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PREFACE TO THE FOURTH EDITION

IN this completely revised and reset edition numerous corrections and additions have been made to bring the book up to date. Thanks are due to the many correspondents who have pointed out errors or suggested improvements. Especially must I express my gratitude to Dr Scholes, Dr Honeyman, and Mr J. M. Wyllie for the valuable assistance given for musical terms, chemical terms, and many technical terms. The officials of the Clarendon Press too, past and present, have throughout been most helpful.

In this edition the system of pronunciation devised for the *Pocket Oxford Dictionary* has been adopted, the senses have been usually numbered, the general abbreviations have been collected into an appendix, and the swung dash has been freely employed.

Swung dash (~).

To save space the 'swung dash' or 'tilde' is very frequently used in the body of the article or the list of derivatives. It represents either the complete word at the beginning of the article or the uninflected part of that word often marked by a vertical line. As, for example, in the article **repeat**, ~ stands for *repeat* (or *repeat*), ~ed for *repeated*, ~edLY² for *repeatedLY²*, ~ing for *repeating*, ~ER¹ for *repeater¹*; and in the article **reverber|ate** we have ~ating, ~ate, ~atory, ~ation, ~ative, ~ant representing *reverberating*, *reverberate*, *reverberatory*, *reverberation*, *reverberative*, *reverberant*.

E. McL., 1950

From the

PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION

THE publication of the Supplement to the *Oxford English Dictionary* in November 1933 makes important additions to the material which it is the aim of this book, as a dictionary of the living language, to present. Mr H. W. Fowler entrusted me with the preparation of this edition in February 1933, and until his death on the 26th December of that year I had the privilege of his guidance.

H. G. LE MESURIER, 1934

From the

PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION

WHEN we began, more than twenty years ago, the work that took shape as *The Concise Oxford Dictionary*, we were plunging into the sea of lexicography without having been first taught to swim. But lexicography for us was fortunately of the minor or dependent kind; and, fortunately also, the time was one at which the major or firsthand kind was reaching greater excellence than ever before, and the *Oxford English Dictionary*, four-fifths completed, already provided popularizers with unlimited material.

The object we set before us, hinted at by the word *current* on our title-page, was to present as vivid a picture as the small dictionary could be made to give of the English that was being spoken and written at the time. The vividness was to be secured by allotting space to words more nearly in proportion to the frequency and variety of their use, and consequently to their practical value, than had been the custom; and further by an unprecedented abundance of illustrative quotation; define, and your reader gets a silhouette; illustrate, and he has it 'in the round'. That at least was our belief; and we hailed as confirmation of it one or two letters from persons unknown congratulating us on having 'produced a live dictionary', or 'treating English at last as a living language'.

A living language, however, does not remain unchanged through twenty years and a great war; our picture has needed, and received, a good deal of retouching before being again exhibited in public.

H. W. F., 1929

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A **DICTIONARY-MAKER**, unless he is a monster of omniscience, must deal with a great many matters of which he has no firsthand knowledge. That he has been guilty of errors and omissions in some of these he will learn soon after publication, sometimes with gratitude to his enlightener, sometimes otherwise. The first letter we received after C.O.D. appeared was a demand for repayment of the book's cost, on the ground that it failed to give *gal(l)iot*, to settle the spelling of which it had been bought. Even for that announcement of an omission I am now grateful, as affording a good illustration of the less friendly form of correction, and reminding me to assure the public that to one revising for a new edition no correction is (ultimately) unwelcome; all is grist that comes to his mill. At the other end of the scale is the friend, known to me only by correspondence, who for years sent me fortnightly packets of foolscap devoted to perfecting a still contingent second edition—all this for love of the language not as a philological playground, but as the medium of exchange and bond of union among the English speakers of the world. *Castigarit et emendarit Byron F. Caws* might have stood with justice at the foot of our title-page.

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From the

PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION

THE steady advance towards completion of the great *Oxford English Dictionary* has made it possible for the Delegates of the Clarendon Press to authorize the preparation and issue of this book, which in its own province and on its own scale uses the materials and follows the methods by which the Oxford editors have revolutionized lexicography. The book is designed as a dictionary, and not as an encyclopædia; that is, the uses of words and phrases as such are its subject matter, and it is concerned with giving information about the things for which those words and phrases stand only so far as correct use of the words depends upon knowledge of the things. The degree of this dependence varies greatly with the kind of word treated, the difference between cyclopædic and dictionary treatment varies with it, and the line of distinction is accordingly a fluctuating and dubious one. It is to the endeavour to discern and keep to this line that we attribute whatever peculiarities we are conscious of in this dictionary as compared with others of the same size. One of these peculiarities is the large amount of space given to the common words that no one goes through the day without using scores or hundreds of times, often disposed of in a line or two on the ground that they are plain and simple and that every one knows all about them by the light of nature, but in fact entangled with other words in so many alliances and antipathies during their perpetual knocking about the world that the idiomatic use of them is far from easy; chief among such words are the prepositions, the conjunctions, the pronouns, and such 'simple' nouns and verbs as *hand* and *way*, *go* and *put*. Another peculiarity is the use, copious for so small a dictionary, of illustrative sentences as a necessary supplement to definition when a word has different senses between which the distinction is fine, or when a definition is obscure and unconvincing until exemplified; these sentences often are, but still more often are not, quotations from standard authors; they are meant to establish the sense of the definition by appeal not to external authority, but to the reader's own consciousness, and therefore their source, even when authoritative, is not named. A third and a fourth peculiarity are the direct results of the preceding ones; if common words are to be treated at length, and their uses to be copiously illustrated, space must be saved both by the curtest possible treatment of all that are either uncommon or fitter for the encyclopædia than the dictionary, and by the severest economy of expression—amounting to the adoption of telegraphese—that readers can be expected to put up with.

In attaching this great importance to illustration, by the need of which the relative length of articles, and our manner of expressing ourselves on every page, are governed, we are merely acting, with the exaggeration imposed on us by our limited space, upon the principles of the O.E.D. That may be said to be the first dictionary for which the ideal procedure has been possible, that is, the approaching of each article with an open mind and a collection of examples large enough to be exhaustive, and the extraction from these of classified senses—the first dictionary, to put it another way, in which quotations have served not merely to adorn or convince, but as the indispensable raw material. This procedure—first the collection of sentences from all possible sources as raw material, and then the independent classification—we have often followed even in that part of our book (A–R) in which the O.E.D., with senses already classified and definitions provided, was before us, treating its articles rather as quarries to be drawn upon than as structures to be reproduced in little; and in the later part (S–Z), where we had no longer the O.E.D. to depend upon, it has been our practice still more often; for many of the more difficult (i.e. especially the common and ‘simple’) words, we have collected the quotations given in the best modern dictionaries (the *Imperial*, the *Century*, the *Standard*, Cassell’s *Encyclopaedic*, Webster, etc.), added to these what we could get either from other external sources or from our own heads, and then framed our articles, often without reference to the arrangement that we found in any of our authorities. Proceeding in this manner, it was almost inevitable that we should be very much alive to the inadequacy of mere definition and the need of constant illustration. That our examples have some general tendency to the colloquial, and include many usages for which room has not been found in dictionaries many times as large as this, is in harmony with our design of on the one hand restricting ourselves for the most part to current English, and on the other hand omitting nothing to which that description may fairly be applied.

VOCABULARY

The words, or senses of words, given are meant to be such only as are current; ‘current’, however, is an elastic term; we might, but we do not, stretch it to include all words and senses used by Shakspere or in the Bible, on the ground that the whole of Shakspere and the whole of the Bible are still commonly read; thus the archaic senses of *addition* (title), *buxom* (pliant), *owe* (own), *sad* (serious), *sort* (suit), and the archaic words *shend* (scold), *wood* (mad), familiar as they are to readers of Elizabethan literature, are not given. We do stretch it to include many words and senses that are fossilized, having in themselves no life or capacity for further

development, but kept extant by being enshrined in perhaps a single proverb or phrase that is still in use; of this sort are *coil* (confusion), preserved by 'shuffled off this mortal coil', and *scotch* (wound), preserved by 'we have scotched the snake, not killed it'.

Again, of the many thousands of old or new scientific and technical terms that have a limited currency some are carried by accident into the main stream of the language and become known temporarily or permanently, vaguely or precisely, to all ordinarily well-informed members of the modern newspaper-reading public. For the purposes of a dictionary that is not to be bulky and yet is to give a fuller treatment than is usual in dictionaries of its size to the undoubtedly current words forming the staple of the language, selection among these intruders is a difficult but very necessary task. The most that can be hoped for is that every one conversant with any special vocabulary may consider us, though sadly deficient on his subject, fairly copious on others; the meaning of many learned words that have been omitted as having no pretence to general currency may easily be gathered by reference first to the stem, which is often the subject of an article, or to another word of which the stem is clearly the same, and secondly to the suffix.

In another class of words and senses the test of currency has led us to diverge in the opposite direction from the practice usual in dictionaries of this size; if we give fewer scientific and technical terms, we admit colloquial, facetious, slang, and vulgar expressions with freedom, merely attaching a cautionary label; when a well-established usage of this kind is omitted, it is not because we consider it beneath the dignity of lexicography to record it, but because, not being recorded in the dictionaries from which our word-list is necessarily compiled, it has escaped our notice; we have not, however, consulted slang dictionaries nor made any attempt at completeness in this respect.

SPELLING

The spelling adopted is for the most part, but not invariably, that of the O.E.D. For instance, the verbs that contain the suffix *-ize* (which see), and their derivatives in *-ization* etc., are all given without the alternative forms in *-ise* etc., although these are still the commoner in British (as opposed to American) printing; but such generally established spellings as *judgment*, *rhyme*, *axe*, have not been excluded in favour of the *judgement*, *rime*, *ax*, preferred by the O.E.D., but are retained at least as alternatives having the right to exist. In dealing with verbs such as *level*, *rivet*, *bias*, whose parts and derivatives are variously spelt, the final consonant being often doubled with no phonetic or other significance, we have as far as possible fallen in with the present tendency, which is to drop the

useless letter, but stopped short of recognizing forms that at present strike every reader as Americanisms; thus we write *riveted*, *riveter*, but not *traveling*, *traveler*. On another point of varying usage—the insertion of a mute e in derivatives in *-able*, *-age*, *-ish*, etc., to indicate the ‘long’ sound of the stem vowel (*likable* or *likeable*, *milage* or *mileage*, *latish* or *lateish*)—we have thought ourselves justified in taking a bolder line, and have consistently omitted the *-e*; it is against all analogy (or why not *smileing*, *Romeish*, *doteage*, *tideal*, *indescribeable*, *desireable*, *exciteable*?), it is used chiefly in words not familiar or important enough to have their form respected as established, it obscures the different and more valuable use by which a soft g or c is indicated as in *manageable* and *serviceable*, and it tempts bad spellers to such monstrosities as *unpalateable*, *loveable*, and *moveable*. In words of the type *ardour*, *colour*, *favour*, where the O.E.D. recognizes both *-our* and *-or*, we have excluded the latter as being (except in particular words like *horror* and *torpor*, in which it is usually the only form) entirely non-British. Words in which *-y-* has intruded itself without completely dispossessing a more correct *-i-*, as *sylvan*, *tyro*, *tyre*, we have given with the *-i-* form either alone or placed first.

ORDER OF SENSES

From the order in which the senses of a word are here given no inference must be drawn as to their historical or other relations, the arrangement being freely varied according to the requirements or possibilities of the particular word. Sense-development cannot always be convincingly presented without abundant quotation from authorities, and the historical order is further precluded by the uniform omission of obsolete senses. Occasionally, when a rare but still current sense throws light on the commoner senses that follow or forms the connecting link with the etymology, it has been placed at the beginning; but more commonly the order adopted has been that of logical connexion or of comparative familiarity or importance.

DERIVATIVES

Hence introduces one or more of the direct derivatives of the word treated; *whence* introduces such derivatives under a particular sense to which they are restricted; *so* introduces words derived from another language; *hence* or *cogn.*, *whence* or *cogn.*, introduce groups of partly English and partly foreign derivation. The suffixes of such derivatives are commonly printed in small capitals, and are thus referred to the suffix article in its alphabetical place. The numbers enclosed in brackets indicate subdivisions of the suffix article, and are often used to distinguish among the possible senses of the derivative word those in which it is chiefly current.

PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION

ETYMOLOGY

Etymology is given in square brackets at the end of each article.

Words of Teutonic origin are illustrated by all or some of the forms found in cognate languages. With words that have passed through several languages on their way to English, the forms taken in successive languages are recorded in full, with the following exceptions. (1) When OF or the like at the beginning of the etymology is not followed by the old French form written in full, it is because the latter is identical in spelling with the English or differs from it only in some unimportant detail specified in brackets. (2) The Latin form of a Greek word is usually omitted, and is to be inferred according to the rules of transliteration given below. Thus (under *pleonasm*) 'f. L f. Gk *pleonasmos*' is to be read 'f. L *pleonasmus* f. Gk *pleonasmos*'. A similar omission of a word in any other language implies absolute identity of form.

Greek words are written with the corresponding English letters (ϕ , χ , ψ , ρ , $\rho\rho$, = ph, kh, ps, rh, rrh, and α , η , ω , = \bar{a} i, \bar{e} i, \bar{o} i), and not according to the Latin transliteration, the rules for which are as follows: Greek k = Latin c; ai = ae; ou = u; u (exc. in diphthongs) = y; ei = i or e; oi = oe (but in nom. pl. = i); g (before g or k) = n; also, - \bar{o} s (nom. masc.), - \bar{o} n, = -us, -um; - \bar{e} s, - \bar{e} , (1st decl. nom.) = -a; - \bar{o} n (nom.) = -o; - \bar{o} s (genit.) = -is; -a (accus. sing. masc. or fem.) = -em.

French nouns of Latin origin are with few exceptions derived from the Latin accusative; but the Latin nominative is here given except when (e.g. in words in -*atio*) a change of stress is involved.

Greek η (\bar{e}) and ω (\bar{o}), and the e of Latin infinitives of 2nd conj. (- \bar{e} re, - \bar{c} ri), are regularly marked long. The accented letters (\acute{a} , \hat{a} , etc.) in forms quoted from Old English or other Teutonic languages are long.

F, G, etc., must not be taken to imply that the word to which they are prefixed is current, or is so spelt, in the modern language; nor does it follow from a word's being given as OF that it is obsolete.

The etymology often contains references in small capitals to words and suffixes.

The first element of a Latin or other compound word is often referred to a prefix article, and the remainder treated separately within brackets; meanings given within the bracket belong to the simple word, those of the compound being added if necessary outside it. Thus *convene* is [f. F *convenir* f. L CON(*venire vent-* come) assemble, agree, fit]. The stem *vent-* and the senses *agree*, *fit*, are here added for the purposes of *convention* and *convenience*, which are referred to *convene*. The first element of a Greek compound similarly treated is sometimes written according to the current (Latin) transliteration, to facilitate reference to the prefix article;

Greek *kakoepeia*, under *cacoepy*, accordingly appears as CACO(*epeia*). Certain similar devices for saving needless repetition will, it is believed, explain themselves.

The etymology of all words from A to R was drawn in the first instance from the O.E.D., but was occasionally modified after reference to Prof. Skeat's *Etymological Dictionary* (Clarendon Press, 4th edition, 1910). From S to Z Prof. Skeat's work has been our main authority, the *Century* and other dictionaries being consulted for the words that he omits.

REFERENCE BY SMALL CAPITALS

The use of small capitals for etymological purposes is explained above.

In the same way reference is made:

(1) from the word treated to another word for the purpose of contrast, distinction, correlation, or the like. Of this kind are the references from *slander* to *libel* and *scandal*, from *creationism* to *evolution* and vice versa, and from *tenon* to *mortise* and vice versa;

(2) from any member of a group to the word under which the group is collected or further explained. *Ruby* (print.) is in this way referred to *type*; *order* (nat. hist.) to *class*¹; and the *iron*¹, *golden*, and *silver ages* to *brazen*¹;

(3) from one or more words of a proverb or the like to that under which alone the proverb is explained. *Play*¹ and *drake*² contain such references to *duck*¹, *flesh* to *fish*¹;

(4) from a compound of the word treated to its other component for explanation. The sign (=) prefixed to such a reference indicates that the simple word treated is itself used in the sense of the compound. Thus, under *pie*¹, *sea-pie* is merely referred (SEA-~) to *sea*, but *magpie*, besides being referred to the article *magpie*, is recorded (=MAGPIE) as one of the senses of *pie*.

June, 1911

PRONUNCIATION

Phonetic respelling is placed in round brackets immediately after such words as require it, and the symbols in the **PHONETIC SCHEME** are primarily intended for this purpose. But respelling is often saved by employing the same symbols in the black type of the actual word; **bänish**, for instance, has no respelling, and **dîspöse** has only (-z).

Vowel symbols given in the Scheme with -, ʊ, —, or ʌ, are also used without these marks to denote a vague indeterminate sound, which is almost identical for all vowels and (except in studied elocution) has no clear relation to the corresponding vowel marked ~ etc. (e.g., the a in *about* is like the o in *reason*, *proceed*, and is not like ā or ă). When so used in brackets, the indeterminates are printed in italics, thus: **agn** (agō), **proceed** (prosēd), **particular** (parti-kūlar). Used in the actual word, they are recognized by the absence of the marks -, ʊ, etc.; thus in **săcrament**, **cōmmon**, **bēggariŷ**, all the unmarked vowels (a, e; o; ar) are indeterminate. This does not apply to the last six symbols in the Scheme, which never have marks over them and are always distinct.

Indeterminate endings in -n, -m, -l or -le, when they require respelling, are also represented thus: **poison** (-zn), **fūshn** (-zhn), **tēshn** (-shn), **ōcean** (-shn), **listen** (-sn), **bosom** (bōōzm), **hūstle** (-sl), **official** (-shl), **weasel** (-zl), the vowel sound being that similarly indicated by the actual spelling of *spasm*, *prism*, etc.

PHONETIC SCHEME

Consonants: b; ch (*chin*); d; dh (*dhr* — the); g (*go*); h; j; k; l; m; n; ng (*eing*); ngg (*finger*); p; r; s (*sip*); sh (*ship*); t; th (*thin*); v; w; y; z; zh (*vizhn* = vision).

Vowels: ā ē ī ō ū ōō (mate mete mite mote unite moot)

ă ă ī ō ū ōō (rack reck rick rock ruck rook)

ār ēr īr ōr ūr (mare mere mire more mire)

ār ēr ōr (part pert port)

ah aw oi oor ow owr (bah bawl boil boor brow bower)

Vowels marked ʌ may be pronounced either way, e.g. **pătriot** (pā- or pā-). In all vowel symbols with r (ār, ūr, etc.), the r, besides influencing the vowel sound, has its consonantal value when followed by a vowel in the next syllable of the word or in the following word (in *fearing* but not in *fearful*, in *far away* but not in *far gone*).

ACCENT

The main accent is shown by the mark ' , usually placed at the end of the stressed syllable; but, division into syllables being arbitrary in English, positions for the accent that would disguise the pronunciation are avoided; thus **stărr'ŷ** but **că'r'rŷ**, **wōll'en** but **cōl'l'ŷ**, **lōc'al** but **vēlō'cītŷ**, **ōv'er** but **co'v'er** (kū-), **mūdd'ŷ** but **mūd'dle**. The placing of two accents on a word means either (a) that the two marked syllables are equally stressed, as in *tīt'it'*, or (b) that among good speakers the one accentuation has as many adherents as the other, or (c) that the stress varies according to position in the sentence as explained in the dictionary article -ED². In the thousands of compounds given under their first elements among the alphabetically arranged combinations, accent is thus shown: if there is no hyphen separating the parts, the accent is always given (**back'bone**, **backslide'**); if there is a hyphen, the regular usage is for the first of the compounded words to be stressed, and the accent is then

usually omitted (so oak-apple); if the stress falls, contrary to this rule, on the second component, it is marked (head-on' adv.); if the stress is variable, each part has an accent (high'-strung').

PRONUNCIATION WITHOUT RESPELLING

All the further information necessary for the pronunciation of any word or part of a word that is not respelt is contained in the following six paragraphs; the assumptions made in these hold unless the contrary is shown in brackets.

1. Any letter or combination in the Phonetic Scheme has the value there shown; e.g., *aw* as in *awl*, not as in *awake* (*awāk'*); and *ginger*, *linger*, would be required to rhyme with *singer* unless *ginger* were followed by (-j-), and *linger* by (-ngg-).

2. The following additional symbols are used in the black type:

ë = i (*nāk'éd, rēl̄y', cōll'ège, prīv'èt*)

ŭr, ūr, = ər (*bŭrth, bŭrn*)

ȳ, ȳ, = i, ī (*implȳ', sŭnn'ȳ*).

3. Final e unmarked is not indeterminate, but mute (*sāne, indŭc'tive*; cf. *rē'cipé, dilēttān'tè*).

4. A doubled consonant is pronounced as single (*sill'ȳ, mǎnn'ish, bŭtt'er*), not as in *cōol'ly* (-l-li) or *plain'nèss* (-n-n-).

5. The following combinations and letters have the values shown:

Vowels.

ae = ē (*aegis*)

ai = ā (*pain*)

air = ār (*fair*)

au = aw (*maul*)

ay = ā (*say*)

ea, ee, = ē (*mean, meet*)

ear, eer, = ər (*fear, beer*)

eu, ew, = ū (*feud, few*)

ie = ē (*thief*)

ier = ēr (*pier*)

oa = ō (*boat*)

ou = ow (*bound*)

oy = oi (*coy*)

Consonants.

c is 'hard' and = *k* (*cob, cry, tale*), but

c before *e, i, y*, is 'soft' and = *s* (*ice, icy, city*)

dg = j (*judgement*)

g before *e, i, y*, is 'soft' and = *j* (*age, gin, orgy*)

n before *k, 'hard' c, q, x*, = *ng* (*zinc, uncle, tank, banquet, minx*)

ph = f (*photo*)

qu = kw (*quit*)

tch = ch (*hatch*)

x = ks (*fox*)

6. The following terminations have the values shown:

-age = -ij (*garbage*)

-ate = -it or **-at** (*mandate*)

-ey = -ī (*donkey*)

-ous = -us (*furious*)

-sm = -zm (*atheism, spasm*)

-tion = -shon (*salvation*)

-ture = -cher as well as **-tūr**, esp. in common words.

INFLEXION

The rules assumed, exceptions to which are noted in a bracket placed after a word's grammatical description, are given below. The term 'sibilants' stands for words ending in *-s, -x, -z, -sh* or soft *-ch, '-o wds'* for all that end in *-o, '-e wds'* for all that end in mute *-e*, and *'-y wds'* for all that end in *-y* not preceded by a vowel (e.g. *deny, puppy*, but not *bray, donkey*).

1. Plural of nouns. Sibilants add *-es* (*boxes, porches*); *-y wds* change *-y* into *-ies* (*puppies*); the plural of *-o wds* is usually stated thus, *photo n. (pl. ~s)*, *potato n. (pl. ~es)*; other nouns add *-s* (*books*).

2. Possessive of nouns. Singular nouns take an apostrophe, *s* (*man's, James's*); plurals, if they do not end in *s*, form the possessive by the same rule (*men's, geese's*), but, if they end in *s*, take an apostrophe only (*boys'*).

3. Comparative and superlative of adjectives and adverbs. In monosyllables and some disyllables (e.g. those in -y) add -er and -est (*bolder*), -e wds dropping the -e (*bravest*), and disyllables in -y having -ier and -iest (*happier, luckiest*); in other cases prefix *more* and *most* (*more beautiful, most splendid*). Monosyllables double a final single consonant (except x) if preceded by a single vowel (*grimmer*). This may be stated in the dictionary.

4. Third person singular present of verbs. Sibilants and -o wds add -es (*pushes, goes*); -y wds change -y into -ies (*cries*); other verbs add -s (*sings*).

5. Past and p.p. of verbs. -e wds add -d (*moved*); -y wds change -y into -ied (*relied*); other verbs add -ed (*trusted, vetoed*); if the final consonant is doubled, it is stated in the dictionary, thus: *glut* v.t. (-tt-), *revel* v.i. & t. (-ll-).

6. Participle of verbs. All verbs add -ing (*fishing*), -e wds dropping the -e (*dancing*); monosyllables double a final single consonant (except x) if preceded by a single vowel (*grabbing*).

7. Archaic 2nd and 3rd singular of verbs. The forms in -(e)st and -(e)th, being archaic, need only be mentioned, without rules; -(e)st is 2nd sing. present and past, -(e)th is 3rd sing. present; examples are *playest, dost, hear'st, madest, wouldst, saith, goeth*.

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE DICTIONARY

(For list of general abbreviations see Appendix I)

a., aa., adjective(s)	attrib./utive etc.	com./mon -Teut./onic
abbr./eviation etc.	augment./ative etc.	con./ics
abl./ative	Austral./ia(n)	conch./ology etc.
abs./olutive	b./orn	confus./ion
acc., according, accusative	back form./ation	conj., conjunction, con-
act./ive	bibl./ical etc.	jugation
adj./ective etc.	bibliog./raphy etc.	comm./ect etc.
adjl., adjectives	bill./iards	constr./uction etc.
adv./erb etc.	biog./raphy etc.	contempt./uous etc.
advv., adverbs	biol./ogy etc.	contr./action etc.
aeron./autics etc.	Boh./emian	cop./ulative
aesthet./ics etc.	bot./any etc.	Copt./ic
AF, Anglo-French	Braz./il(ian)	Corn./ish
Afr./ica(n)	Bret./on	correl./ative etc.
alch./emy etc.	Brit./ish	corresp./onding etc.
alg./ebra etc.	Bulg./aria(n)	corrupt./ion
allus./ive etc.	Burm./ese	cp., compare
alw./ays	Byz./antine	erick./et
Amer./ica(n)	c./entury	cryst./allography
anal./ogy etc.	c./irca	cu., cub., cubic
anat./omy etc.	cc., centuries	Cym./ric
Anglo-Ind./ian	Celt./ic	
anon./ymous etc.	cf., compare	d./ied
ant./iquities	chem./istry etc.	Da./nish
anthrop./ology etc.	Chin./ese	dat./ive
ap./pendix	chronol./ogy etc.	demonstr./ative
app./arently	cinemat./ography etc.	dont./istry
Arab./ic	cl./assical	deriv./ative etc.
Aram./aic	cogn./ate	derog./atory etc.
arbitr./ary	collect./ive(ly)	dial./ect etc.
arch./aic	colloq./ual etc.	dict./ionary
archaeol./ogy etc.	com./mon	diff./erent
archit./ecture etc.	comb./ination etc.	different./iate etc.
arith./motic etc.	commere./ial etc.	dim./inutive etc.
Ass./yrian	comp., compar./ative	dimin., diminutives
assim./ilated etc.	compd., compound	diplom./acy
assoc./iated etc.	compl./ement	dissim./ilato etc.
astrol./ogy etc.	comp., compounds	dist./inct etc.
astron./omy etc.		distrib./utive etc.

disyl./labic etc.
Dor./ic
Du./tch
dub./ious
dynam./ics etc.

E, English
eccl./estistical etc.
Efris., East Frisian
Egyptol./ogy
E. Ind., East Indian
electr./icity etc.
ellipt./ical etc.
embryol./ogy
engin./eering etc.
Engl., England, English
entom./ology etc.
erron./eous(ly)
eschat./ology etc.
esp./ecial(ly)
eth./ics etc.

ethnol./ogy etc.
etym./ology etc.
euphem./ism etc.
Eur./ope(an)
ex./ample
exagg./eration etc.
exc./ept
exch./ange
excl., exclamation etc., ex-
clusive etc.
excll., exclamations
expl./ain etc.
expr./essing etc.
exx., examples

F, French
f./rom
facet./ious etc.
fam./iliar etc.
fem./inine etc.
fenc./ing
fig./urative etc.
Fl./omish
foll./owing (word)
footh./all
fortif./ication
Fr./ench
Frank./ish
freq./uent(ly)
frequent./ative(ly)
Fris./ian
ft, foot, feet
fut./uro

G, German
Gael./ic
gal./ion(s)
gen., general etc., genitive
geog./raphy etc.
geol./ogy etc.
geom./etry etc.
Gk, Greek
Goth./ic
gr., gram./mar etc.
gym./nastics etc.
Heb./rew
her./aldry etc.
Hind., Hindi, Hindustani
hist./orical etc., history
hort./iculture etc.
Hung./arian, -ary
hydrost./atics etc.

I., intransitive
Isel./andic
illit./erate etc.
imit./ative etc.

Imper., imperat./ive
imperf./ect
impers./onal
improp./er(ly)
incept./ive
incl./uding. -usive
Ind./ia(n)
Ind., indicative, indirect
indecl./inable
inf./initive
infl./uence etc.
instr./umental (case)
int./erjection
interrog./ative(ly)
intr./ansitive
Ir./ish
iron./ical(ly)
irreg./ular(ly)
It., Ital./ian
ital./ics

Jam./aica(n)
Jap./an(ese)
Jav./anese
Jew./ish
joc./ose, -ular(ly)

L, Latin
lang./uage
Lat./in
lexicog./raphy etc.
Lg, Low German
lit./oral(ly)
Lith./uania(n)
LL, late Latin
log./ic etc.

M, middle (with languages)
magn./otism etc.
manuf./acture etc.
masc./uline
math./ematics etc.
MDu., middle Dutch
ME, middle English (1200–
1500)
mech./anics etc.
med./icine etc.
med.L, medieval Latin
metaph./or etc.
metaphys./ics etc.
metath./esis etc.
meteor./ology etc.
meton./omy
Mex./ican
MG, middle German
MHG, middle high German
mil./itary etc.
min./eralogy etc.
Mit., middle Italian
MLG, middle low German
mod./ern
monosyl./abic etc.
morphol./ogy etc.
MSw., middle Swedish
mus./ic etc.
myth./ology etc.

n./oun
N. Amer., North American
nat. hist., natural history
nat. phil., natural philo-
sophy
naut./ical etc.
nav./al etc.
neg./ative(ly)
nent./er
NF, North Frisian

nn., nouns
nom./inative
Norm./an
north./ern
Norw./egian, -ay
N.T., New Testament
num./eral

O, old (with languages)
obj./ect etc.
obl./ique
obs./olete
obsolesc./ent
obstet./rics etc.
occas./ional(ly)
ODa., old Danish
Ok, old English
OF, old French
OFris., old Frisian
OHG, old high German
OIr., old Irish
OLG, old low German
ON, old Norse
ONF, old northern French
onomat./opoeic etc.
opp., (as) opposed (to)
OPr., old Provençal
opt., optative, optics etc.
ord./inary
orig./inal(ly)
ornith./ology etc.
OS, old Saxon
OSl(av), old Slavonic
Osp., old Spanish
O.T., Old Testament
OTent., old Tentonic

p./age
paint./ing
Pal./estine
palaeog./raphy etc.
palaeont./ology etc.
parenth./etic etc.
Parl./lament(ary)
part., (present) participle
partic./ipial
pass./ive(ly)
path./ology etc.
pedant./ic(ally)
perf./ect (tense)
perh./aps
Pers./ia(n)
pers./on(al)
pert./aining
Peruv./ian
Ph., Portuguese
pharm./acy etc.
philol./ogy etc.
philos./ophy etc.
Phoen./icia(n)
phon., phonet./ics etc.
phonol./ogy etc.
photog./raphy etc.
phr./ase
phren./ology etc.
phrr., phrases
phys./ics etc.
physiol./ogy etc.
pl./ural
plup./erfect
poet./ical etc.
Pol./ish, -and
pol./itics etc.
pol. econ., political eco-
nomy
polit./ics etc.
pop./ular etc.

xvi ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE DICTIONARY

Port./uguese
poss./essive
p.p., past or passive participle
pp., pages
Pr./ovençal
pr./onounced etc.
prec., (the) preceding (word)
prod./icato etc.
pref./ix
prep./osition
pres./ent (tense)
prot./erite
print./ing
priv./ative
prob./able etc.
pron., pronoun etc., pronounced etc.
pronunc./iation
prop./er(ly)
pros./ody etc.
Prov./ençal
prov., proverb etc., provincial etc.
psych./ology etc.
psycho-an./alysis

R.-C., Roman Catholic
redupl./icated etc.
ref./erence
refash./ioned etc.
refl./exive(ly)
rel./ative
repr./esent etc.
rhet./oric etc.
Rom., Roman, Romance
Rom./an Ant./iquities
Rom./an Cath./olic
Rom./an Hist./ory
Russ./la(n)

s./ingular
S. Afr., South Africa(n)
Sax./on
sb., substantive
Sc., Scotch, Scots, Scottish
Scand./inavia(n)
schol./astic
sci./ence etc.
Scot., Scotland, Scottish
sculp./turo
Semi./itic
sent./ence
Serb./ian
Serv./ian
sing./ular
Skr., Sanskrit
sl./ang
Slav./onic
sociol./ogy etc.
Sp./anish
spec./ial(ly)
spirit./ualism etc.
sport./ing etc.
st./em
stat./ics etc.
subj., subject etc., sub-junctive
subst./antive
suf./ix
sup., superl./ative
surg./ory etc.
surv./eying etc.
Sw./edish
syn./onym
t., transitive
tech./nical(ly)
teleg./raphy etc.
term./ination
Teut./on(ic)
theatr./ical etc.

theol./ogy etc.
theos./ophy etc.
therm./ometry etc.
thr./ough
trans./itive etc.
transf., in transferred sense
transl./ation etc.
translit./eration etc.
trig./onometry etc.
Turk./ish, -ey
typ./ography etc.
ult./imate(ly)
unexpl./ained
U.S., United States
usu./al(ly)
v./erb
var., variant, various
v. aux., verb auxiliary
vb, verb
vbl, verbal
v.l., verb intransitive
voc./ative
v.refl., verb reflexive
v.t., verb transitive
vulg./ar(ly)
vv., verba
W, Welsh
w./ith
W. Afr., West Africa(n)
wd, word
wds, words
WFlem., West Flemish
WFris., West Frisian
WG, West German
W.Ind., West Indian, -ies
yd, yard
yr(s), year(s)
zoogeog./raphy etc.
zool./ogy etc.

P = proprietary term.

+, sign affixed to all forms not recorded but merely inferred, with the exception of those called Aryan or OTeut. (all of which are inferential).

* = (orig. or chiefly) U.S.

|| = not U.S.

NOTE. The addition of etc. to the completion of an abbreviation means that it may be used not only for the exact form given, but for connected words or phrases; e.g. bot./any etc. means botany, botanical, botanically, in botany; adv./erb etc. means adverb, adverbial, adverbially; transl./ation etc. means translated as well as translation. Abbreviations given in the list with initial capital have always the capital in use; but those given with initial small letter have either form according to circumstances.

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A

abandonment

A, letter (pl. *As*, *A's*, *Aes*). (Mus.) note, & the corresponding scale. (In argument) first imaginary person or case. (Alg.) first known quantity. (Naut.) *A1* (*ā wūn*), first-class ship in Lloyd's register; excellent, best, (colloq.; *A1* POPULATION). (Naut.) *Æ*, third-class ship at Lloyd's.

a¹, **an**, (*a*, *an*; emphatic, *ā*, *ān*), adj. (sometimes called indefinite article. Before all consonants except silent *h*, use *a*; *a history*, *a historian*, though some still write *an* before *h* in unaccented syllable, but *an hour*: before all vowels except *eu*, *ū*, use *an*; *an ulcer*, but *a unit*, *a eulogy*; also *a one*. Placed after *many*, *such*, *what*, or any adj. preceded by *how*, *so*, *as*, *too*. Used with apparent plurals of number, *a dozen men* = a dozen of men; also with pl. adj. *few*, *good many*, *great many*). (Unemphatic substitute for) one, some, any; one like (*a Daniel*); (after *all of*, *many of*, etc.) the same (*all of a size*; (distrb.) each (£40 *a year*, where *a* is orig. = foll.). [weakening of OE *ān* ONE]

a², prep. On, to, towards, into, in. Mostly now written as pref., or oftener omitted than expressed, or confused w. **a¹**. On: *abed*, *afoot*. To: *ashore*. Towards: *aback*, *afar*, *aside*. Into: *apart*, *asunder*. In: *now-a-days*, *twice a day*; w. vb. nouns, passively, *a-building*, actively, *was (a-) fighting*, and esp. w. *go*, *set*, as *he went a begging*, *they set the bells a ringing*. [weakening of OE prep. *an*, ON]

a-, pref. f. various sources. 1. OE *ar-* or *a-*, away, on, up, out, and so to express intensity, as *arise*; cf. *G er-*. 2. OE *an*, on prep.; see prec. 3. OE *of* prep., as *akin*. 4. L *ad-*, to, either directly, as *aspect*, or through *F a-* as *achieve*; many words derived in the latter way have been later assimilated to L spelling, as *a(d)-dress*, *a(g)grieve*. 5. L *a*, *ab*, from; directly, as *avert*, or through *F a-*, as *abridge*; again occas. assimilated to L spelling, as *ab(b)stain*. 6. L *ex-* out, utterly, through *AF a-* f. OF *e-*, *es-*, as *amend*. 7. Gk *a-*, *an-*, not, without; directly, as *amorphous*, through *L*, as *acatalectic*, or through *L* & *F*, as *adamant*; compounded chiefly w. Gk words, but also w. others, as *a-moral*.

-a, suf. 1. Na. f. Gk, L, & Rom. fem. sing., as *idea* (Gk), *arena* (L), *piazza* (It.). *duenna* (Sp.), esp. Nat. Hist. terms, ancient or latinized mod. (*hyena*, *dahlia*), geogr. names (*Africa*), & names of women. ancient or latinized mod. (*Lydia*, *Hilda*). 2. Gk & L neut. pl. nouns (*geneca*, *phenomena*), esp. names, often f. mod.L, of classes of animals (*mammalia*).

aard-vark (*ārd' vārk*), n. S.-African quad-

ruped between armadillos & ant-eaters. [f. Du. *aarde* earth + *vark* pig, cf. OE *fealh* & L *porcus* pig]

aard-wolf (*ārd' wōlf*), n. S.-African carnivore between hyenas & civets. [see prec.]

Aar'on's beard (*ār-*), n. Kinds of plant, esp. Great St John's wort. [ref. to Ps. cxxxiii. 2]

Aar'on's rōd (*ār-*), n. Kinds of plant, esp. Great Mullein & Golden Rod. [ref. to Num. xvii. 8]

aasvogel (*ah'sfōgl*), n. S.-Afr. vulture. [S.-A. Du. (*aas* carrion + *vogel* bird)]

ab-, pref. Away, from, off, apart. [f. L *ab*, cf. Gk *apo*, E *of*, *off*, G *ab-*. In L reduced to *a-* before *p*, *m*, *v*, changed to *au-* before *f*, & to *abs-* before *c*, *t*; in F often reduced to *a-*]

ā'ba, **abaya** (*abā'ya*), nn. Sack-like outer garment worn by Arabs. [Arab.]

abäck', adv. Backwards; (Naut.) of square sails pressed against mast by head wind; *taken ~*, of ship w. sails in that state, (fig.) surprised. [**A¹** + **BACK¹**]

āb'acus, n. (pl. -ci, pr. -si). 1. Calculating frame w. balls sliding on wires, used before adoption of the nine figures & zero, & still in China etc., & in elementary teaching. 2. (Archit.) upper member, often square flat slab, of capital, supporting architrave. [L *abacus* f. Gk *abax* -akos tablet]

Abād'don, n. Hell; the devil (Rev. ix. 11). [Heb. word, destruction (*abad* he perished)]

abaft' (-ah-), adv. & prep. (naut.). In stern half of ship; nearer the stern than, aft of. [**A¹** + *baft* = OE *be by* + OE *aftan* adv. behind]

***ābalō'nē**, n. Californian edible mollusc with ear-shaped shell lined with mother-of-pearl, sea-ear. [Sp., etym. dub.]

abān'don', v.t. Give up to another's control or mercy; yield oneself completely to a passion or impulse; give up (a possession or habit); forsake (a person, post). [f. OF *abandoner* (*d* to + *bandon* jurisdiction, *mettre à bandon* meaning to put a person under any one's, including his own, control)]

abān'don' (or as *F*, see *Ap.*), n. Careless freedom, letting oneself go. [*F*; see prec.]

abān'doned (-onē), a. Profligate. [D.P. of **ABANDON'**]

abāndonee', n. (law). Underwriter to whom salvage of wreck is abandoned. [**ABANDON'** + **EE**]

abān'donment, n. Giving up or forsaking; being forsaken; self-surrender; careless freedom of manner, impulsiveness. [f. *F* *abandonnement* (**ABANDON'**, -MENT)]

abāse', v.t. Lower, humiliate, make base. Hence ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. OF *abaissier* (now *abaissier*) (à to + *baisier* to lower f. LL *bassare* f. *bassus* short)]

abāsh', v.t. Put out of countenance; (chiefly in pass.) be confounded. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *esbair* astound f. es- = A- (6) + *bahir* cry bahl; see -ISH' & of *punch* = punish]

abāsk', adv. In warm light. [A' + BASK]

abāte', v.t. & i. 1. Diminish (t. & i.). 2. Do away with (nuisance); blunt (edge); lower (price); deduct (specified or unspecified part of price); mitigate (violence); weaken (energy). 3. (In law) quash (writ or action). 4. (Of flood or epidemic) grow less. So ~MENT (-tm-) n. [f. OF *abatre* (à to + *batre* f. LL *batere* f. L *batuere* beat)]

āb'atīa, abātī'is, n. Defence made of felled trees w. boughs pointing outwards. Hence āb'atīse¹ (-st) a. [F *abatīs*, OF *abatels* f. LL **abateticus* of throwing down; cf. OF *abatre*, see ABATE]

abattōr (see Ap.), n. Public slaughter-house. [F]

ābb, n. Woof. [A- (1) + WEB]

Abb'a (ā-), n. Father. Used w. *Father* in invoking God (*Mark* xiv. 36). [Aram.]

ābb'acy, n. Office, jurisdiction, or tenure, of an abbot. [earlier *abbatie* (see -CY) f. LL *abbatia* (*abbat*- nom. -as *ABBOT*)]

abbā'tial (-shal), a. Of an abbey, abbot, or abbess. [F, f. LL *abbatialis* (*abbatia* *ABBACY*, -AL)]

abbé (āb'ā), n. Frenchman (orig. abbot) entitled to wear ecclesiastical dress, esp. without official duties. [F, f. L *abbatem* nom. -as *ABBOT*]

ābb'ess, n. Lady superior of a nunnery. [OF *abalesse* (Fr. *abadessa*) f. LL *abbatissa* (*abbat*- *ABBOT*)]

ābb'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Building(s) occupied by monks or nuns under an abbot or abbess; the monks or nuns as a body; a church or house that was once an ~ or part of it (the A~, Westminster A~). [f. OF *abate*, Fr. *abadia*, f. LL *abbatia* *ABBACY*]

ābb'ot, n. Head of abbey of monks; A of *Misrule* or of *Unreason*, leader in medieval burlesque festivities. Hence ~CY, ~SHIP, nn. [OE *abbod*, f. L f. Gk *abbas* -at- (*ABBA*)]

abbrev'iate¹, a. Relatively short (esp. in nat. hist.). [f. L *abbreviatus* p.p. of *abbreviare* shorten (*ab* off or *ad* to + *brevis* short)]

abbrev'iate², v.t. Make short (chiefly now of writing part of word for whole, but also of visit, story, etc.). Hence ~ATION n. [f. prec.; see -ATE¹]

A B C, n. The alphabet; rudiments of any subject; || alphabetical railway guide.

Ab'derite (ā-), n. The ~, Democritus (see *DEMOCRITUS*). [Gk *Abderites* (*Abdera*, a town, *Abdera*)]

ab'dicate, v.t. Renounce formally or by

default (a power, office, right; also abs., esp. of the crown). Hence ~ATION n., ~ATED¹ (2) a. [f. L *abdicare* declare, -ATE¹]

ābdōm'én (or āb'do-), n. 1. (Anat.) belly, including stomach, bowels, & other nutritive organs. 2. (Zool.) hinder part of insects, spiders, etc. [L, etym. dub.]

ābdōm'inal, a. Of the abdomen in either sense; (of fish) having the ventral fins under the belly. [f. *abdomin*- stem of prec. + -AL]

ābdōm'inous, a. Corpulent. [as prec. + -OUS]

abdū'cent, a. (anat.). Drawing away (of muscles that open or pull back the part they are fixed to). [f. L *abducere* part. st. of *abducere* duct- draw]

abduct', v.t. Kidnap; take away (esp. a woman) by force or fraud; draw (limb etc.) from its natural position. [f. L *abducere* see prec.]

abduc'tion, n. Illegal carrying off, esp. of a child, ward; forcible carrying off of any one, as of a voter; withdrawal of limb from natural position; shrinking of sides of a wound, causing it to gape; syllogism of which the minor premises, and therefore the conclusion, is only probable. [f. L *abductio* (prec., -ION)]

abduc'tor, n. Person who abducts another; (also ~ *muscle*) muscle that abducts a limb. [as *ABDUCT* + -OR¹]

abearn', adv. (naut.). On a line at right angles to the ship's length; ~ of us, opposite our centre, abreast. [A' + BEAM¹]

abecedār'ian (ābēd-), a. & n. 1. Arranged alphabetically, as the 119th Psalm; elementary, ignorant. 2. n. Pupil learning the alphabet (common in U.S.). [f. med. L *abecedarium* alphabet (*ABCD* + -ARIUM) + -AN]

ābēd', adv. In bed. [A' + BED¹]

abele (ābēl', ā'bl), n. The white poplar. [f. Du. *abeel* f. OF *abel* earlier *aubel* f. LL *albellus* dim. of *albus* white]

ā'belmōsk, n. Malvaceous N.-Afr. evergreen shrub yielding mustard-seeds. [ult. f. Arab. *ħabbu-l-misk* grain of musk]

Aberdeen' (ā-), n. ~ (terrier), rough-haired Scotch terrier. [*Aberdeen* in Scotland]

āberdēvine', n. Birdfancier's name for the skink. [?]

Aberdōn'ian (ā-), a. & n. (Inhabitant, native) of Aberdeen. [-IAN]

āberglaube (ā'berglowbe), n. Excessive belief, superstition. [G]

Ab'ernéthy (ā-), n. Hard biscuit flavoured with caraway seeds. [person]

āb'errant, a. Straying from moral standard; (in nat. hist.) diverging from normal type. Hence ~ANCY, ~ANTY, nn. [f. L *aberrant*- part. st. of *aberrare* stray]

āberrā'tion, n. 1. A straying from the path, lit. & fig.; breaking of rules; moral slip; intellectual deficiency; deviation from type. 2. (Optics) non-convergence

of rays to one focus. 3. (Astron.) displacement of heavenly body's true position to observer. [f. L *aberratio*; see *prec.*, -ATION] **abēt**, v.t. (-tē-). Countenance or assist (offence or offender; esp. *aīd* & ~). Hence ~MENT, ~t'ER¹, ~t'OR², nn. ~tor is the legal & the commoner general form. [f. OF *abeter* (ā to + *beter* BAITE¹)]

āb & *trā*, adv. From outside. [LL]

abeyance (-bā-), n. State of suspension, dormant condition liable to revival, (of rights etc.; mostly in phrr. *be in* or *fall into* ~). [f. OF *abeyance* (ā to + *beer* = It. & LL *badare* gape)]

abhōr, v.t. (-r-). Regard with disgust & hatred. [f. L *AB(horrēre)* shudder]

abhōrence, n. Detestation; detested thing (*flattery is my* ~). [foll., -ENCE]

abhōrent, a. Inspiring disgust, hateful, of conduct, etc., often with *to* (person); inconsistent (*from*); (arch.) feeling disgust (*of*), as *the Greeks were* ~ of excess. [f. L *abhorrent*-part. st. see *ABHOR*]

abhōrer, n. (hist.). Nickname of those who signed addresses to Charles II in 1680. [*ABHOR* + -ER]

abidance, n. Continuance, dwelling (in), abiding (*by* rules, etc.). [*ABIDE* + -ANCE]

abide, v.t. & i. (past & p.p. *abode*, occas. ~d). 1. Remain over; continue; dwell (arch.); stand firm; (with *by*) remain faithful to, act upon (terms). 2. Wait for; encounter, sustain; submit to, suffer; (negatively as *I cannot, who can, ~?*) put up with (noun or infinitive). [OE *abidan* f. A-(1) + *bīdan* BIDE]

abiding, a. Permanent. Hence ~LY² adv. [part. of *ABIDE*]

ābiēt, stem of several chemical terms. Of resin, or fir. [L *abiet*-nom. *abies* fir-tree]

ābīgail, n. Lady's-maid. [character in Beaumont & Fletcher's *Scornful Lady*, perh. w. ref. to 1 Sam. xxv. 24-31]

ābilitē, n. Sufficient power, capacity (*to do* something); legal competency (*to act*); financial competency to meet a demand; cleverness, mental faculty, (general in sing., special in pl.). [f. OF *abileté* f. L *habilitat*-n. st. f. *habilis* deft; in F & E it was later corrected into *habileté*, *hability*, whence the mod. form]

āb īstīlō, adv. From the beginning. [L]

āb'logēn'ēsis, n. Spontaneous generation. (Allied words) *āb'logēnēt'ic* a., connected w. the doctrine; *āb'logēnēt'ically* adv., by spont. gen. or according to the doctrine; *āb'logēnist* (2) n., one who believes in it; *āb'logēnous* a., so produced; *āb'logēn'ic* n., -abiogenesis. [f. Gk *abios* f. A-(7) + *bios* life + *genesis*]

āb'jēct, a. & n. 1. Brought low, miserable; craven, degraded, despicable. 2. n. (Bibl. & arch.) a person of the meanest condition. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *abjectus* p.p. of *AB(jicere)* = *jacere* throw] **āb'jection**, n. Abasement, low estate. [f. f. L *abjectionem* (*ABJECT*, -ION)]

ābjur'ation (-joor-), n. Action or form of renunciation on oath, in all senses of *ABJURE* (in hist. esp. of the Stuart claim). [f. L *abjuratio* (*ABJURE*, -ATION)]

abjure (-joor), v.t. Renounce on oath (an opinion, heresy, cause, claim, or claimant); swear perpetual absence from (one's country etc.). [f. F *abjurer* f. L *AB(jurare)* swear]

āblact'ation, n. Weaning from the mother. [f. L *AB(lactatio)* f. *lactare* suckle f. *lact*-nom. *lac* milk]

āblā'tion, n. Removal (esp. in surgery, of any part of body); (Geol.) waste of a glacier or rock by melting or water action. [f. L *ablatio* f. *AB(lat)*-p.p. st. of *ferre* carry]

āb'lative, a. & n. The case in Latin nouns that expresses source, agent, cause, instrument, of action = *from* or *by* with the noun (usu. noun; adj. with *case*, *sense*, etc.). ~ ABSOLUTE, a construction of noun & participle in L Gram. giving time or circumstances. [F *ablatif* f. L *ablativus* brought from (*ablat*-see *prec.*)]

āb'laut (-ow-), n. Vowel changes in the parent Indo-European language, arising out of differences of accent & stress, & surviving e.g. in *drive*, *drove*, *driven*. [G] **āblāze**, adv. & pred. a. On fire; glittering; excited. [*A*³ + *BLAZE*]

ā'ble, a. Talented, clever; competent, having the means or power (*to*), esp. w. parts of *be* to supply the deficiencies of *can*; legally qualified; ~bodied *seaman* (abbr. A.B.), of special class. Hence *āb'ly*² adv. [f. OF *hable*, *able*, (now *habile*) f. L *habilis* handy (*habere* to hold)]

-able, suf. f. F -able f. L -a- of first conj. + *bili*-see -BLE. In F extended to vbs of all conj. In E now appended even to native vbs as *bearable*, nouns as *clubbable*, & phrase vbs as *get-at-able*; prob. f. confusion w. the unrelated adj. *able*. (Meaning) able to (*comfortable*), able to be (*eatable*), fit for (*salable*).

āb'lēt, **āb'lén**, n. Name for the freshwater fish bleak. [F *ablette* f. LL *abula* for *albula* dim. of *alba* white]

āb'lings, **āb'lins** (-z), adv. (Sc. & north.). Possibly, perhaps. [*ABLE* + -INGS]

āblōōm, adv. & pred. a. In or into bloom. [*A*³ + *BLOOM*]

āblīsh', adv. & pred. a. Blushing. [*A*³ + *BLUSH*]

āblution (-lō-), n. (usu. pl.). Ceremonial washing of person, hands, or sacred vessels; ordinary personal washing; (sing.) water in which things have been washed, esp. in Catholic Ritual. Hence ~ARY¹ a. [f. L *AB(lutio)* f. *luere* hū- wash, -ION]

āb'négāte, v.t. Deny oneself (something), renounce (a right or belief). [f. L *AB(negare)* deny, -ARE²]

ābneg'ation, n. Denial; rejection (of doctrine); self-sacrifice (now often *self*-~); [f. L *abnegatio* (*prec.*, -ATION)]

abnorm'al, *a.* Exceptional, irregular, deviating from type. Hence **abnormal'ity** *n.*, the quality or an instance of it, ~LY¹ *adv.* [earlier & *F* *anormal* *f.* med. *L. anomalus* corrupted *f.* Gk *anomalos* *anomalous*; but now regarded as *f.* *L. abnormis*, see foll.]

abnorm'ity, *n.* Irregularity; a monstrosity. [*f.* *L. abnormitas* *f.* *AB(normis* *f. norma* rule) see -TY]

aboard' (-ôrd), *adv. & prep.* On or into a ship (*ship* either expressed or omitted); alongside, near, esp. *close* or *hard* ~. *Lay* (another ship) ~, place one's own alongside of her to fight; *fall* ~, fall foul of (another ship). [*A* + *BOARD*]

abode, *n.* Dwelling-place, house; stay, habit of dwelling, as in *make one's* ~. [*vbl* *n.* of *ABIDE*; cf. *ride, rode, road*]

aboil', *adv. & pred. a.* A-boiling, boiling. [*A* + *BOIL*]

abol'ish, *v.t.* Do away with (customs, institutions). Hence ~ABLE *a.*, ~ER¹, ~MENT, *nn.* [*f.* *F* *abolir* (-ISH¹) *f.* *L. abolere* inceptive of *abolere* become effete, destroy, (*AB-*, 'olere grow)]

abol'ition, *n.* Doing, doing done, away with. In the 18th & 19th cc. *w. ref.* to negro slavery & the movement against it, whence also ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), (-shon-), *nn.* [*f.* *L. abolitio* (prec., -ION)]

abom'inable, *a.* Detestable, odious, morally or physically loathsome; (by conscious exaggeration) unpleasant. Hence ~LENESS (-ln-) *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*F* (*ab.*, *abh.*), *f.* *L. abominabilis* *f.* *AB(ominari* *f. omen*) deprecate; the older spelling was regularly *abh.*, due to confusion *w. homo*, & the violence of the meaning (*inhuman* instead of *ill-omened*) results from the mistake]

abom'inâte, *v.t.* Loathe; (by exaggeration) dislike. [*f.* *L. abominat'*; see prec.]

abom'inatè, *a.* (poet.). Abominated. [*f.* *L. abominatus* *p.p.*, see *ABOMINABLE*]

abom'ina'tion, *n.* Loathing; odious or degrading habit or act; an object of disgust (*to*). [*F* (*ABOMINATE*¹, -ATION)]

abor'iginal, *a. & n.* 1. Indigenous, existing in a land at the dawn of history, or before arrival of colonists (of races & natural objects). 2. *n.* (pl. ~s, but *aborigines* commoner) ~ inhabitant or (rarely) thing. Hence **abor'iginal'ity** *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*f.* *L. ab* from + *origin*-nom. *origo* origin + *-AL*]

abor'iginès (-z), *n.* pl. (*aboriginal* usual for sing.; also the indefensible form *abor'iginè*, & rarely *abò'igin* or -en). First inhabitants, or those found in possession by colonists (also of native plants & animals). [*L.* *f. phr. ab origine* from the beginning]

abort', *v.i.* Miscarry, have premature delivery of a child; (Biol.) become sterile, remain undeveloped, shrink away, (of plants & animals—the race, the individual, or part of the body). Hence ~IVE (-shon-) *a. & n.*, (drug or

other agent) causing abortion. [*f.* *L. abort-* *p.p. st.* of *AB(ortiri* be born)]

abort'ed, *a.* Untimely born, undeveloped; rudimentary (*thorns* are ~ *branches*). [*ABORT* + *-ED*¹ (2)]

abort'ion, *n.* Miscarriage of birth; the procuring of this, whence ~IST (1) (-shon-) *n.*; arrested development of any organ; a dwarfed or mis-shapen creature; failure of a project or action. [*f.* *L. abortio* (*ABORT*, -ION)]

abort'ive, *a.* Premature (birth etc.); fruitless, unsuccessful; rudimentary (organ etc.), arrested in development. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) *adv.*, ~NESS (-vn-) *n.* [*f.* *L. abortivus* (*ABORT*, -IVE)]

abou'lia (-ow-), **abu'lia**, *n.* Loss of will-power (as mental disorder). [*f.* Gk *a-* not + *boulomai* I will]

abound', *v.i.* 1. (Orig.) overflow, either of vessel or of liquid. 2. Be plentiful; be rich (*in*); teem or be infested (*with*). [*f.* *OF* *abunder*, *abonder*, *habonder*, *f.* *L. AB(undare*, *f. unda* wave); the *h-* common in older *F* & *E* is due to confusion *w. L. habere* have]

about', *adv. & prep.* All round from outside, as *compass it* ~, *He is ~ my path*, *beat ~ the bush*; all round from a centre, as *look or lay ~ you*; somewhere round, as *lie ~*, *hang ~* (the door), *the fields ~ Oxford*, *people or objects ~ us*, *have not a penny ~ me*; here and there (*in*, or *abs.*), as *smallpox is ~*, *move or order ~*, *he put the tale ~*, *I was much put ~* (distracted), *out & ~*, restored to normal activity (after convalescence), *dotted ~ the fields*, *man ~ town*; near in number, scale, degree, etc., as ~ *half*, *fifty*, *right*, *tired*, *midnight*, *my size* (occas. *much* ~); facing round, as *right ~ turn* (now ~ *turn*! as mil. word of command), *the wrong way ~*, *put* (the ship) *or go ~*; round a party, as *take turns ~*, *read verses ~*; occupied with, as ~ *my father's business*, *send ~ his business*, *what are you ~?*, *go ~ to do*, *am ~ to do* (so all fut. particples); in connexion with, as *quarrels ~ trade*, *something wrong ~ it*; circuitously, as *he went a long way ~*, *I brought it ~*, *it came ~*. [*OE* *on-butan* *f. on* + *butan* without (be by + locative of *ut* *utan* out); orig. meaning is therefore *on the outside* (of)]

about', *v.t.* Change the course of (ship) to the other tack. [*f.* *ABOUT* *adv.*]

about'-slèdge, *n.* Largest hammer used by smiths.

above' (-iv), *adv. & prep.* 1. *adv.* At a higher point (*w. spec. meaning acc. to context*); overhead, on high; up stream, upstairs; in heaven; on the upper side; earlier in a book or article (as *was* remarked ~; *the ~-cited passages*; *the ~*); in addition (*over & ~*). 2. *prep.* Over, on the top of, higher than (~ *par*; ~ *oneself* (al.), in unusual spirits etc.; *can't get ~ C*—in music), *more than* (~

a hundred), up stream from, projecting from (head ~ water; heard ~ the tumult; ~ ground=alive), further north than, earlier in hist. than (not traced ~ third century), out of reach of (~ criticism, measure, my understanding), too great or good for (~ meanness, one's station), more important than (~ all), of higher rank than. Above is also treated as a noun in from above. [f. A³ + OE *byfan* (be by + *ufan* locative of *uf*- cf. G *auf* up)]

above'-board (-bórd), adv. & pred. a. Undisguisedly; fair, open. [metaph. f. cards]

ab'ô's, adv. (Relating tediously) from the very beginning. [L; Hor. A.P. 147]
âbracadâb'ra, n. Spell, magic formula; gibberish. Cabbalistic word supposed when written triangularly, & worn, to cure agues etc. [L, etym. dub.]

abrâde', v.t. Scrape off, injure, (skin etc.) by violent rubbing. [f. L *AB(radere ras-scrape)*]

A'brahâm-mân (â-), n. (hist.). Wandering beggar of the 16th c., either a lunatic or feigning lunacy; hence to *sham Abram*, to feign illness or madness. [Luke xvi]

abrânc'hial (-ngk-), **abrânc'hiate** (-ngk-), aa. Without gills. [A(-7) + Gk *bragkhia* gills + -AL & -ATE²]

abrâ'sion (-shn), n. Scraping off (of skin etc.); the wounded place that results. So **abrâs'ive** a. & n., (substance) capable of rubbing or grinding down, tending to graze the skin. [f. L *abrasio* ABRADE, -ION]

abreast' (-rêst), adv. On a level & facing the same way; keeping up, not behind, (of or with progress, thought, etc., or as prep., ~ the times). [A³ + BREAST¹]

abridge', v.t. Shorten (interview etc.); condense or epitomize (book etc.); curtail (liberty; of limbs etc. only now v. playful archaism); deprive (person of). [f. OF *abregier*, *abreger*, f. L *abbreviare* ABBREVIATE]

abridge'ment, -gment, (-jm-), n. Shortening (of time or labour), curtailment (of rights); epitome, abstract. [f. OF *abregement* f. *abreger* (prec., -MENT)]

abroach', adv. & pred. a. Pierced, so as to let the liquor run (of casks). [A³ + BROACH²]

abroad' (-rawd), adv. Broadly, widely, in different directions; in motion (there is a rumour ~; the schoolmaster is ~, education is now becoming generally accessible); out of doors, in or to foreign lands; in error (all ~). Also treated as a noun in from ~. [A³ + BROAD a.; cf. *along*, *at large*]

âb'rogâte, v.t. Repeal, cancel, (law or custom). So **âbruga'TOR** n. [f. obs. adj. *abrogate* f. L *abrogatus* p.p. of *AB(rogere)* propose law)]

abrupt', a. Sudden, hasty, disconnected; steep, precipitous; (Bot.) truncated; suddenly cropping out (of geol. strata).

Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *abruptus* p.p. of *AB(rumpere)* break)]

abrup'tion, n. Breaking away of part from a mass. [f. L *abruptio* (ABRUPT, -ION)]

abs-, pref. From, away, off. See AB-

âb'scess (-sê), n. Collection of pus formed in a cavity of the body. [f. L *abscessus* a going away f. *ABS(cedere cess-go)*]

âb'sciss(e) (-sis; pl. -es), **absci'ssa** (-si-; pl. -ae), n. Portion of given line intercepted between fixed point within it & ordinate drawn to it from given point without it. [f. *abscissa* (linea) p.p. of *AB(scindere sciss-out)*]

absci'ssion (-shshn), n. (surg.). Cutting off, violent separation. [f. L *abscessio* (see prec., -ION)]

abscond', v.i. Go away secretly, fly from the law. Hence ~ENCE, ~ER¹, nn. [f. L *ABS(condere stow, f. dare put)*: orig. transitive in E also, then refl., then intr.]

âb'sence, n. Being away from a place; time of being away; non-existence or want of; abstraction of thought (esp. in phr. ~ of mind); || collocl. [F, f. L *absentia* (absent-ABSENT¹)]

âb'sent', a. 1. Not present; not existing, 2. Abstracted in mind, whence ~LY² adv., ~-min'ded² a., ~-min'dedl² adv., ~-min'dedness, ~NESS, nn. [F, f. L *absentem* nom. -ens part. of *AB(esse be)*]

absent', v.refl. Keep oneself away. [f. *ABsenter* f. L *absentare* f. absent-ABSENT¹]

âbsentee', n. A person not present; a person, esp. a landlord, habitually living away from home. Hence ~ISM (2) n., practice of being an~, practice of workers of absenting themselves from work, esp. frequently or without good reason. [ABSENT² + -EE]

âb'sinth, n. Wormwood, the plant or its essence; a liqueur made (orig. at least) from wine & wormwood. [f. L f. Gk *apsinthion*]

âb'sit ô'm'e'se, sent. May no ominous significance attach to the words, may my fears not be verified. [L]

âb'solute (-ôbt, -ût), a. Complete, perfect, pure (as ~ alcohol), more; unrestricted, independent; ruling arbitrarily; out of grammatical relation (*ablative* ~ in L, *genitive* ~ in Gk, ~ construction in E, noun & participle used as adverbial clause, as *dinner being over we left the table*); real, not merely relative or comparative; unqualified, unconditional; self-existent & conceivable without relation to other things (the ~ as noun); ~ music, self-dependent instrumental music devoid of literary suggestions. Hence ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. mid. F *absolu* (now *absolu*) f. L *absolutus* p.p. see *absolve*]

âb'solutely (-ôbtli), adv. Independently, in & by itself; arbitrarily, without external control; without qualification; without the usual accompaniments (as a

transitive vb used ~, i.e. without its obj.; unconditionally; positively, though you would not believe it; conclusively, completely, quite; at all (w. negatives); || (colloq.) quite so, yes. [f. prec. + -LY¹]

absolu'tion (-ōō-), n. Formal setting free from guilt, sentence, or obligation; ecclesiastical declaration of forgiveness of sins; remission of penance; forgiveness. [F, f. L *absolutionem* (ABSOLVE, -ION)]

ab'solutism (-ōōt-), n. (Theol.) doctrine that God acts absolutely in the affair of salvation; (Pol.) principle of absolute government. [ABSOLUTE + -ISM (3)]

ab'solutist (-ōōt-), n. Partisan of political absolutism (also adj., as ~ principles); a metaphysician who identifies subject & object. [ABSOLUTE + -IST (2)]

absolve' (-s-, -z-), v.t. Set, pronounce, free (from blame etc.), of sin, from obligation etc., or abs.; acq., pronounce not guilty. [f. L *absolvere*, *solut-* loosen]

ab'sonant, a. Discordant, alien (from), unreasonable. [f. AB + *sonant-* part. st. of L *sonare* sound on anal. of *dissonant*, *consonant*, & L *absonus*]

absorb', v.t. Swallow up, incorporate (be ~ed by, lose one's identity in); engross the attention of; suck in (liquids); take in (heat, light, etc.) by chemical or molecular action. [f. F *absorber* f. L *absorbere* script. suck in]

absorb'able, a. Easily sucked in. Hence ~*ABILITY* n. [prec. + -ABLE]

absorbed' (-bd), a. Intensely engaged or interested. Hence ~LY¹ (-b'dll) adv. [p.p. of ABSORB]

absorbēfā'cient (-shent), a. & n. Causing the absorption or drying up (e.g. of a tumour); agent that does this. [f. L *absorbere* ABSORB + -FACIENT]

absorb'ent, a. & n. 1. Having tendency to suck in (abs., or of). 2. n. Substance of this kind; one of the vessels in plants & animals (e.g. root tips) that absorb nutriment. [f. L *absorbent-* part. st. of *absorbere* ABSORB]

absorb'ing, a. Engrossing, intensely interesting. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [part. of ABSORB]

absorp'tion, n. Disappearance through incorporation in something else; natural or medical removal of tissues; mental engrossment; sucking in of fluid, light, etc., or nutriment. [f. L *absorptio* (ABSORB, -ION)]

absorp'tive, a. Having a tendency to suck in. Hence ~NESS¹ (-vn-) n. [f. L *absorpt-* (ABSORB, -IVE)]

absquat'ulate (-ōōt-), v.t. Make off, decamp. [American-made jocular vb w. L pref. & suf.]

abstain', v.i. Keep oneself away, refrain, (from); refrain from alcohol, whence ~*ANCE* n., ~*ING* a. [f. F *abstenir* f. L *abstinere* *ten-* = *hold*]

abstemious, a. Sparring, not self-indulgent, esp. in food and drink. Used of

persons, habits, meals. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *abstemius* f. *temum* strong drink inferred f. *temulentus*, *temetum* + -OUS]

abstē'n'tion, n. Keeping off (abs., or from any pleasure); esp., not using one's vote. [F (ABSTAIN, -ION)]

abstē'r'gent, a. & n. Cleansing; a cleansing substance. [f. L *abstergent-* part. st. of *abs(tergere ters-* wipe)]

abstē'r'sion (-shn), n. Cleansing, purification. [F, see prec., -ION]

abstē'r'sive, a. Cleansing. [f. F (-if, -ive), as prec., -IVE]

ab'stinance, n. Refraining (from any pleasure, or abs. in sense of continence, fasting, or usu. *total* ~, going without alcohol); occas. = foll. [F, f. L *abstinētia* (ABSTINENT, -ENCE)]

ab'stinēncy, n. Habit of refraining from pleasures, esp. food. [f. L *abstinētia* see prec. & -ENCY]

ab'stinent, a. Practising abstinence. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [F, f. L *abstinēnt-* (ABSTAIN, -ENT)]

ab'strāct', a. Separated from matter, practice, or particular examples, not concrete; ideal, not practical; abstruse; (with *the*, as noun) the ideal or theoretical way of regarding things (in *the* ~). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *abstractus* p.p. of *abs(trahere* draw)]

ab'strāct', n. Essence, summary; abstraction or abstract term. [see prec.]

abstract', v.t. Deduct, remove, (an obj. *much* etc. is occas. omitted); (euphemism) steal; disengage (obj. *attention* etc. occas. omitted) from; consider apart from the concrete; summarize. [f. ABSTRACT¹]

abstract'ed, a. Withdrawn in thought, not attending. Hence ~*NESS* n. [-ED¹]

abstract'edly, adv. In the abstract, ideally; separately (from—esp. after *consider*); in an absent-minded way. [-LY¹]

abstrāc'tion, n. Taking away, withdrawal; (euphemism) stealing; process of stripping an idea of its concrete accompaniments; the idea so stripped, something visionary; absence of mind. [F, f. L *abstractionem* (ABSTRACT¹, -ION)]

abstruse' (-ōōs), a. Hard to understand, profound. Hence ~LY¹ (-sl-) adv., ~*NESS* (-sn-) n. [f. L *abstrusus* p.p. of *trudere* push]

absurd', a. Incongruous, unreasonable, ridiculous, silly. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. F *absurde* f. L *absurdus* (ab- utterly + *surdus* deaf, dull)]

absurd'ity, n. Folly, unreasonableness; an absurd statement or act. [f. F *absurdité* f. L *absurditatem* (ABSURD, -ITY)]

abūn'dance, n. Quantity more than sufficient, plenty; overflowing emotion (~ of the heart); many people (there are ~ who); affluence, wealth. [OF (ab-, hab-, see ABOVE), f. L *abundantia* (as foll., -ANCE)]

abūn'dant, a. More than sufficient, plentiful; rich (*in*). Hence ~LY² adv. [OF (*ab-*, see **ABOUND**), f. L *abundant-* part. st. (**ABOUND**, -ANT)]

ab urbe condita, adv. (abbr. A.U.C.). Counting from the foundation of Rome (753 B.C.). [L]

abūse¹ (-z), v.t. Misuse, make bad use of; deceive (arch., but still used esp. in pass.); maltreat (arch.); revile. [f. F *abuser* f. L *abusare* f. *AB(us-* p.p. st. of *uti* see)]

abūs(e)² (-s), n. Misuse, perversion (*of*); an established unjust or corrupt practice; reviling, whence ~IVE a., ~ively² (-vly) adv., ~IVENESS (-vn) n. [f. F *abus* f. L *abusus* n. f. *abus-* see **prec.**]

abūt, v.i. (-tt-). Have a common boundary with, border, (*upon*; or occas. without prep. as trans. v.); of estates or countries; end on or against, lean on, (of parts of a building). [mixed meanings f. OF *abouter* place end to end (d to + *bout* end), & OF *abuter* touch with one end (d to + *būt* end)]

abūt'ment, n. A lateral support; (esp. in architecture) that on which an arch or bridge rests; point of junction between such support & thing supported. [**ABUT** + -MENT]

abūt'ter, n. (In law) owner of the adjoining property. [**ABUT** + -ER¹]

abŷ(e), v.t. (arch.; past & p.p. *abought*). Redeem, pay the penalty of, (an offence; usu. w. *dearly*, *sure*). [earlier *abuggen*, *abeggen*, f. A- (I) away + **BUY**]

abŷm¹, n. Earlier form, still used in poetical style, of **ABYSS**. [OF *abisme* f. LL *abyssinus* superl. of *abyssus* **ABYSS**]

abŷ'mal (-z), a. Bottomless, esp. fig., as ~ *ignorance*. Hence ~LY² (-z) adv. [**ABYSM** + -AL]

abŷ'ss, n. The primal chaos, bowels of the earth, lower world; a bottomless chasm, deep gorge; depth (~ of *light*). [earlier *abime*, *abyssme*, f. F see **ABYSM**, later corrected after L *abyssus* f. Gk *abussos* bottomless]

abŷ's's'al, a. More than 300 fathoms below sea surface (water, zone, mud). [f. LL *abyssalis* f. *abyssus*; see **ABYSM** & -AL]

ac-, pref. to words in *c-*, *k-*, *qu-*. Properly the L assimilated form of *ad-* to, in addition. In passing through OF it became *a-*; this being rectified later, *ac-* was mistakenly written also for *a-* representing other pref. (see *A-*), e.g. OE *a-* (on) in *acknowledge*.

-ac, suf. forming adj., which are often also (if not only) used as nouns. From Gk *-akos*, the modification of adj. suf. *-kos* appended to nouns in *-ia*, *-ios*, *-ion*, & imitated in L. E wide in *-ac* may be f. Gk (*-akos*), L (*-acus*), or F (*-aque*).

acā'cia (-sha), n. Genus of trees, of Mimosa tribe, yielding gum arabic; the Locust-tree or False A~, grown in England for ornament; gum arabic. [L, f. Gk *akakia*; perh. f. *akē* point (in ref. to its thorns)]

ac'adēma, n. (Prop.) = **Academy** (see **ACADEMY**); (used by mistake in poetic style for the Gk Academy, a college, university. [Gk *Akadēmos* see **ACADEMY**; mistake perh. caused by Milton's 'grove of Academe', *P.R.* iv. 244])

acādēm'ic, a. & n. 1. Belonging to or agreeing with the philosophic school of Plato (**ACADEMY**), (w. ref. to some of his successors' views) sceptical; an ancient Platonist. 2. Scholarly, (& by implication) abstract, unpractical, cold, merely logical; (as sing. noun) member of a university, one too much enslaved to the principles (in painting etc.) of an academy; (as pl. noun) merely theoretic arguments, university robes. 3. Of an academical or academy (~ *rank*). [f. med. L *academicus* see **ACADEMY**]

acādēm'ical, a. Belonging to a college or university; (as pl. noun) college costume (commoner than *academics*). [**prec.** + -AL]

acādēm'ically, adv. Theoretically, unpractically; rarely also in any of the senses of the two **prec.** [**prec.** + -LY²]

acād'emi'cian (-shn), n. Member of an Academy or art society, || esp. of the Royal Academy of Arts. [f. F *academicien* f. med. L *academicus* (foll.); see -IAN]

Acād'emŷ, n. 1. The garden near Athens in which Plato taught; Plato's followers or philosophic system. 2. (a~). A place of study, including universities, || but gen. used pretentiously or deprecatingly of something between a school & a university. 3. A place of training in a special art (Royal Military ~). 4. A society for cultivating literature, art, etc., of which membership is an honour, || esp. the Royal ~ of Arts; || the R.A.'s annual exhibition. [f. F *académie* f. L f. Gk *akadēmeia* (*akadēmos* the man or demigod f. whom Plato's garden was named)]

Acād'ian, a. & n. Nova-Scotian. [f. F *Acadie* Nova Scotia + -AN]

ac'ajou (-zhō), n. **CASHEW**. [F, see **CASHEW**]

-acal, compd suf. = -AC + -AL. Adj. in *-ac* being often used as nouns also, *-al* was appended to distinguish the adj. (*demoniac*, *-acal*), & even when there was no noun (*heliacal*). In adj. *-acal* often differs f. *-ac* in suggesting looser connexion w. the orig. noun; e.g., *cardiac arteries* (of the heart), *cardiacal herbs* (having influence on the heart).

ac'alēph, -ephe (-āf), n. Jellyfish, medusa, sea-nettle. [Gk *akalēphē* nettle]

acalyc- (ākal- or akāl-), stem of several bot. terms. Without calyx. [A- (7) + Gk *kalyx* -ukos flowercup]

acān'thus, n. A genus of plants, esp. Bear's Breech or Brank-Ursine; a conventional representation of its leaf used in Gk architecture. Hence *acanthi(o)-comb.* form. [L, f. Gk *akanthos* (*akanthē* thorn f. *akē* point)]

acāp'sŷlar, a. Not having capsule. [A- (7) + L *capsula* **CAPSULE** + -AR¹]

accard'iac, a. (physiol.). Without a heart. [f. Gk *akardios* f. *α-* (7) + *kardia* heart + *-αο*]

accarp'ous, a. Without carps. [A- (7), *CAKPEL*, -OUS]

accarp'ous, a. (bot.). Not producing fruit. [A- (7) + Gk *karpōs* fruit + -OUS]

accataléc'tic, a. & n. (A verse) not docked of a syllable, complete. [f. LL *acatalecticus* f. Gk *akatalēktos* (see A- (7), *CATALECTO*)]

accat'alēpsēy, n. Incomprehensibility (philos. term), the quality in the object answering to agnosticism in the subject. So *accat'alēp'tic* a. [f. med. L f. Gk *akatalēpsia* f. A- (7) + *kata* thoroughly + *lēpsis* grasping (*lab-* st. of *lambanō* take)]

accaul'ous, a. (also -es'cent, -ine, -ōse). (bot.). Apparently stemless, having very short stem. [A- (7) + L *caulis* stem + -OUS]

Accad'ian, a. & n. 1. Of Accad in Shinar (*Gen.* x. 10). 2. n. A language preserved in cuneiform inscriptions. [-IAN]

accēde' (aks-), v.i. Enter upon an office; join a party; assent to an opinion or policy. Abs., or w. to if the office etc. is stated, in all senses. [f. L *accedere* cess-come]

accēlerān'dō (aks-), musical direction. Gradually increase speed. [It.]

accēl'erāte (aks-), v.t. & i. Make quicker; cause to happen earlier; become swifter (of a motion or process); put on pace. [f. obs. adj. *accelerate* f. L *accelerare* f. *celer* swift; see -ATE².³]

accēl'erātēd (aks-), a. (physics). Progressively quicker (~ motion). Hence ~LY² adv. [p.p. of prec.]

accēl'erāting (aks-), a. Causing progressively quicker motion (~ force). [-ING²]

accēl'erā'tion (aks-), n. 1. Making quicker; being made quicker. [f. *ACCELERATE* + -ION] 2. (Phys.) rate of increase of velocity per time unit, as with falling bodies. 3. (Astron.) ~ of stars, time gained daily by them over sun; ~ of planets, increased velocity from aphelion to perihelion; ~ of moon, increase in speed of mean motion; ~ of tides, amount of local advance on calculated time. [f. L *acceleratio* (*ACCELERATE*, -ION)]

accēl'erā'tive (aks-), a. Tending to increase speed, quickening. [f. *ACCELERATE* + -IVE]

accēl'erātor (aks-), n. Person or thing that increases anything's speed, esp. an attachment in motor-cars for this purpose; one of a class of nerves & muscles. [*ACCELERATE* + -OR²]

acc'cent' (aks-), n. 1. Prominence given to a syllable, whether by higher musical pitch (ancient Gk & L, Swedish & Norw.), or by stress (most mod. languages, but perh. not F). Three marks called *acute* (´), *grave* (`), & *circumflex* (˘ or ˆ) accents (systematically employed only in Gk, & to a less degree in F) used for various purposes, e.g. to indicate syllabic pitch (Gk), quality

of vowel sound (F), etymological hist. (F, E), metrical stress, syllabic stress (dictionaries etc.), the fact of a letter's not being silent, or conventional distinction between homonyms (F). 2. Individual, local, or national mode of pronunciation; modulation to express feeling; in pl., speech (post.). 3. (In prosody) *rhythmical stress*. 4. (Mus.) stress recurring at intervals, regular or otherwise. 5. (Fig.) intensity, sharp distinction. [F, f. L *accentus* -ūs = *cantus* singing] lit. *transl.* of Gk *prosōidia* (*pros* to + *ōidē* song)]

accent' (aks-), v.t. Pronounce with accent, emphasize (word or syllable); put the written accents on; heighten, make conspicuous. [f. obs. F *accencer* see prec.]

accēn'tor (aks-), n. Kinds of bird (= WARBLER), esp. the hedge-sparrow, which name is now occas. avoided as misleading. [mod. L, f. *ad* to + *cantor*, see *CANTORIS*]

accēn'tūal (aks-), a. Of accent; ~ *prosody* or *verse*, of which the principle is accent or stress, not quantity. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *accentus* *ACCENT*¹ + -AL]

accēn'tuāte (aks-), v.t. = *ACCENT*¹, but more used than it in the fig. sense. [f. med. L *accentuare* (*accentus* *ACCENT*¹), -ATE²]

accēn'tuā'tion (aks-), n. Accenting (all senses from *ACCENT*). [f. med. L *accentuatio* see *ACCENTUATE*, -ION]

accēpt' (aks-), v.t. Consent to receive (gift), answer affirmatively (offer, invitation, suitor); regard with favour (esp. unfair favour, as ~ the person of, ~ persons); receive as adequate (~ service of writ), allow the truth of, believe; undertake (office); take responsibility for, agree to meet, (bill of exchange). Of may be added (exc. w. service of writ, bill) with a slight suggestion of formality or condescension. Hence ~FR² n. [f. F *accepter* f. L *accipere* frequent. of *accipere* = *capere* take)]

accēpt'able (aks-), a. Worth accepting, pleasing, welcome. Hence or cogn. ~ABLY² adv., ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABleness, nn. [F, f. L *acceptabilis* (*ACCEPT*, -ABILIS)]

accēpt'ance (aks-), n. Consent to receive (gift, payment, pleasure, duty); favourable reception (act. & pass.), approval, belief; ~ of persons, partiality; engagement to take a bill; a bill so accepted. [OF; see *ACCEPT* & -ANCE]

accēptā'tion (aks-), n. A particular sense given to a word or phrase; its generally recognized meaning. [F, f. LL *acceptationem* (*ACCEPT*, -ATION)]

accēpt'ed (aks-), a. Generally recognized or believed in (*Free & A~ Masons*, see *FREE¹-mason*). Hence ~LY² adv. [-ED²]

accēpt'or (aks-), n. One who accepts a bill (preferred to *accepter* in this sense). [AF *acceptour* f. L *acceptorem* (*ACCEPT*, -OR²)]

acc'cess (-ks; also aksēs, see *etym.*), n. Approach; addition; right or means of approaching (to); being approached (*easy*

of ~); advance (~ *cf.* channel, doorway; adhesion, growth, (usu. now *accession*); attack or outburst (of illness, anger, emotion). [The doubtful accent is due to double derivation. 1. (sense *attack*, pron. ák'sés) f. F *accès* f. L *accessus* n. f. *Ac(cedere cess-)* come); 2. (other senses, pron. aksés) direct f. L *accessus*. The two pronunciations, however, have now ceased to be significant]

accessary (aksés'-, ák'sis-), n. & pred. a. (see also *ACCESSORY*). Helper in any act, one privy to it (as pred. a., *be ~, were made ~*); accompaniment, adjunct. [f. *ACCESS* + *-ARY* formed as f. L *access-* like *emissary*, *adversary*; the adj. (first spelt *-ary*) being corrected later to *-ory* on L *accessorius* drew the noun after it, & the two spellings are often confused]

access'ible (aks-), a. Able to be reached or entered (abs., or *to*); open to influence, to the influence of, (*to*). Hence ~*BILITY* n., ~*BLY* adv. [F, f. L *accessibilis* (*ACCEDERE, -BLE*)]

accession (aksé'sh'n), n. Coming into presence or contact; coming into an office (esp. the throne) or condition (as manhood); being added; assent; thing added, addition; (in law) improvement or natural growth of property. [F, f. L *accessionem* (*ACCEDERE, -ION*)]

accessory (aksés'-, ák'sis-), a. & n. (see also *ACCESSORY*). 1. Additional, subordinatedly contributive (of things), adventitious. 2. n. Thing of that character, esp. in pl. *the ~ies*. [f. LL *accessorius* adj. (*ACCEDERE, -ORY*)]

acciacatura (achahkatoor'a), n. (mus.). Grace-note performed quickly before an essential note of a melody. [It.]

accidence (áks-), n. The part of grammar, or a book, dealing with inflexions (i.e. the accidents or non-essentials of words); the elements of any subject. [corruption of *accidents* = F pl. n. *accidents* transl. of L neut. pl. *accidentia* the things that befall (a word), see *ACCIDENT*; or perh. direct f. *accidentia* treated as fem. sing. noun]

accident (áks-), n. Event without apparent cause, unexpected (so *chapter of ~s*, unforeseen course of events); unintentional act, chance, fortune, (*by ~*); mishap; irregularity in structure; a property not essential to our conception of a substance (so of material qualities of bread & wine after transubstantiation); a mere accessory. [F, f. L *accidens-entis* part. & n. f. *Ac(cidere = cadere)* fall]

acciden'tal (áks-), a. & n. 1. Happening by chance, undesignedly, or unexpectedly; occasional; not essential to a conception (so also *an ~ as n.*); subsidiary. 2. (Mus.) ~ *sharps, flats, naturals*, & ~ as noun, signs attached to single notes, not in signature. 3. (Optics) ~ *colours*, those presented by subjective sensation,

not external. 4. (In painting) ~ *lights*, & ~s as n., effects of other than ordinary daylight. [F (now *-el*), prob. f. LL *accidentalís* f. *accidens* see prec.]

acciden'tally (áks-), adv. By chance, unintentionally. [-LY]

accip'itral (aks-), a. Hawklike; rapacious; keensighted. [f. L *accipitr-* nom. -ter hawk + *-AL*]

acclaim', v.t. Applaud loudly or enthusiastically; (w. obj. & compl.) hail as (king, winner, saviour; ~ed *Mm king*) [f. L *Ac(clamare)* shout, spelling assimilated to *CLAIM*]

acclaim', n. Shout of applause. [f. prec.]

acclamā'tion, n. Loud & eager assent to a proposal (*voiced, carried, by ~*); shouting in a person's honour (usu. pl.). [f. L *acclamatio* (prec., -ATION)]

acclimā'tion, n. = acclimatization (see foll.), or distinguished from it as a natural process, not imposed on animals by man. [synecopated for *acclimation* (*acclimate* f. F *acclimater* *ACCLIMATIZE*)]

acclimatize (also, esp. U.S., *acclimāte*), v.t. & i. Habituate (animals, plants, *oneself*) to new climate; (rarely) become so habituated. Hence **acclimatization** (also, esp. U.S., *acclimatā'tion*) n. [f. F *acclimater* (*à to + climāt CLIMATE*) + *-IZE*]

accliv'ity, n. Upward slope of a hill (cf. *DECLIVITY*). [f. L *acclivitas* f. *Ac(civis)* i. *civis* slope]

accolāde (or -ahd), n. 1. Sign at bestowal of knighthood, whether embrace, kiss, or stroke on shoulder with flat of sword. 2. (Mus.) vertical line or brace coupling staves. [F, f. It. *accolata* n. from p.p. st. of *accollare* (*AC- + L collum* neck)]

accommodāte, v.t. Adapt (thing or person to another); prove such adaptation in, harmonize, (occas. w. implication of sophistry); reconcile, settle differences between; compose (quarrel); equip, supply, (person *with*); oblige, confer favour on; find lodging for. [f. obs. adj. *accommodate* f. p.p. of L *Ac(commodare -at- f. commodus* fitting = *COM- + modus* measure)]

accommodāting, a. Obliging, easy to deal with, pliable, lax. Hence ~*LY* adv. [-ING]

accommodā'tion, n. Adjustment (e.g. of eyes for various distances); adaptation of anything to a purpose or meaning different from the original; self-adaptation; settlement, compromise; serviceable thing, convenience (so in comp. as ~road; ~ladder, up ship's side); lodgings, entertainment; money loan (so in ~BILL). [F, f. L *accommodationem* (*ACCOMMODARE, -ION*)]

accompaniment (-im-), n. 1. Appendage, thing that attends another. 2. (Mus.) subsidiary part, usu. instrumental, supporting solo instrument or voice,

choir, etc. [f. F *accompagnement* (toll., -MENT)]

accompan[y] (-tüm-), v.t. 1. Supplement (a thing *with*, as word w. blow); go with, escort, attend; coexist with (of things), characterize. 2. (Mus.) support (singer, player, chorus) by performing subsidiary part, whence ~(-y)ist (-tüm-). n. After pass., *by* has almost ousted *older with*, now only used when ~ed = combined. [F *accompagner* (d to + *compagne* COM-PANION)]

accomplice, n. Partner, usu. subordinate, in crime. [f. earlier & F *complice* (whether by mistake from a *complice*, cf. NEWT, or by assim. to foll.) f. L *complicem* nom. -plex closely connected (COM + plic- fold)]

accomplish (or -tüm-), v.t. 1. Fulfil, perform, complete, finish. 2. Perfect (a person) in graceful acquisitions, whence ~ED¹ (-sh) a. [f. OF *acomplir* f. LL *ac(om)plere* COMPLETE; see -ISH¹]

accomplishment (or -tüm-), n. Fulfilment, completion; thing done or attained, achievement; faculty that perfects a person for society, (disparagingly) merely superficial requirement. [f. F *accomplissement*; see prec., -MENT]

account, -ant, arch. for ACCOUNT, -ANT.

accord¹, v.t. & i. Be in harmony or consistent (abs., or *with*; chiefly of things); grant (Indulgence, request, welcome, etc.). [f. OF *acorder* f. LL *ac(cordare* f. *cor cordis* heart)]

accord², n. Consent (*with one* ~), mutual agreement; treaty of peace; harmonious correspondence in colour, pitch, tone; assent (of one's own ~). [f. OF *acord* agreement (*acorder* ACCORD¹)]

accord³ance, n. Conformity, agreement, esp. in phr. *in ~ with*. [OF *accordance* (as prec., -ANCE)]

accord⁴ant, a. In tune, agreeing, (abs., or *with*). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [OF *accordant* as prec., -ANT]

accord⁵ing, adv. (only now in the compd conj. ~ *as*, & the compd prep. ~ *to*). ~ *as*: in proportion as (of a process varying w. another); in a manner depending on which of certain alternatives is true. ~ *to*: in a manner consistent with or degree proportioned to; on the authority of. [-ING¹]

accord⁶ingly, adv. As the (stated) circumstances suggest; therefore; ~ *as* = *accord- ing as*. [-LY¹]

accord⁷ion, n. Portable musical instrument having bellows, metal reeds, & keyboard &/or buttons. Hence ~IST (s) n. [f. It. & LL *accordare* attune see ACCORD¹; termination imitated f. CLARION]

accost¹, v.t. Make up to & address, open conversation with; (of prostitute) solicit. [f. F *accoster* f. LL *accostare* f. *costa* rib)]
accost², n. Opening remark. [f. F *accost* f. LL *accostare* f. *costa* rib)]

af (see Ap.), n. Lying-in, delivery in child-bed. [F]

accoucher (see Ap.), n. (fem. -euse). Man-midwife, midwife. [F]

account¹, v.t. & i. Consider, regard as, (followed by obj. & compl. or inf.; ~ *him a hero, wise, to be guilty*). Be ~ed of, be esteemed (altw. w. *little, much*, etc.). ~ *for*, give reckoning of (money held in trust); answer for (conduct, performance of duty); explain the cause of; serve as explanation of (*that ~s for it*); (sport) be responsible for the death of, kill. [f. OF *aconter* f. LL *accomptare* for ¹ *ac(om)putare* L = COMPUTE]; the form *account* is due to 14th-c. correction in F passing into E, the oldest E being *acunte* (see AC-)]

account², n. 1. Counting, calculation, in phrr. *cast ~s* (reckon up), *money of ~* (names not of coins, but of sums, as guinea). 2. Reckoning of debit & credit, in money or service; statement of money received & expended, with balance; so open or close an ~ *with*, *render or send in, pay or settle, an ~*; ~ *current* (whence a/c = account), one kept going w. occasional entries; ~ *rendered*, used when a bill previously sent in, but left unpaid, is sent again; *joint ~s*, in which two persons not otherwise partners count as one; *keep ~s*, enter all expenditure for comparison w. income; *balance or square ~s with some one*, receive or pay the balance due; *cash, profit-&-loss*, etc., ~, headings of subdivision in ledger; || *sale for the ~*, on the Stock Exch., not for cash, but payable at next periodic settlement; *A in ~ with B*, having credit relations with; *for ~ of*, to be sold for (person); on ~, as interim payment; *on one's ~*, for his service; *on one's own ~*, for & at one's own purposes & risk, whence generally *on ~ of*, because of, & *on no ~*, by no means, certainly not. A favourable result of the reckoning, profit; *find one's ~ in*, profit by, *turn to ~*, make useful. Statement of administration as required by creditor; *ask, demand, yield, render, an ~, call or bring to ~*, extended from money to conduct generally, so *the great ~*, Day of Judgement, *gone to his ~*, dead; *give ~ of*, find cause of, explain, (In sport) *give a good ~ of*, dispose of (opponents, game) successfully. 3. Estimation; person or thing of, or held in, *some or no ~*; *make little ~ of*; *take into, leave out of, ~*; *take ~ of*; *lay one's ~ with*, include in one's calculations, expect. 4. Narration, report, description, of event, person, etc. [f. OF *acon* (d to + *cont* f. LL *computum* for *computum* f. L *computare* COMPUTE)]

account³able, a. Bound to give account, responsible, (for things, to persons, or abs.); explicable (occas. followed by *for*). Hence ~ABLY, ~ABleness, nn. [f. F *accountable* f. LL *computum* f. L *computare* COMPUTE]

account'ant, n. 1. (Law) one liable to render account; defendant in an action of account. 2. Professional keeper & inspector of accounts; ~general, chief ~ in public offices. Hence **account'ancy** n., profession of an ~, ~SHIP n., office of an ~. [F (15th c.) *acomptant* part. of *acomptier* OF *acomptier* ACCOUNT¹]

accou'tre (-ôter), v.t. (-tring, -tred). Attire, equip, esp. w. special costume (chiefly used in p.p.). [f. med. F *accoustrer* (now *accouttrer*) etym. dub. perh. *ac-* + *coudre* vestry-keeper & so rober which is perh. f. LL [†]*custor* f. *custos* guardian]

accou'trement (-ôot-), n. (usu. in pl.). Equipment, trappings; (Mil.) soldier's outfit other than arms & garments. [MF *accoutrement* (prec., -MENT)]

accréd'it, v.t. Gain belief or influence for (adviser, advice); send out (ambassador etc.) with credentials to person, to or at a court; ~ thing (saying, policy) to person, or ~ him with it, put it down to him. [f. F *ac(c)réditer* f. *crédit* CREDIT]

accréd'ited, a. Officially recognized (persons); generally accepted, orthodox, (beliefs). [p.p. of prec.]

accrète¹, v.t. & i. Grow together or into one; form round or on to, as round a nucleus; attract (such additions). [f. L *accret-* p.p. st. of *ac(c)rescere* grow]

accrète², a. (bot.). Grown into one with something else. [f. L *accretus* p.p. see prec.]

accrè'tion, n. Growth by organic enlargement; the growing of separate things (as particles) into one; the whole resulting from this; adhesion of extraneous matter to anything; the matter so added; (Law) = ACCESSION, also increase of legacy etc. by share of failing co-legatee. [f. L *accretio* (ACCRETE¹, -ION)]

accru'e (-ô), v.i. Fall (to one, from a thing) as a natural growth, advantage, result; esp. of interest on invested money. Hence ~ED¹ (-ôôd') a. [f. obs. *accrue* n. = F *accrue* p.p. of *accroître* OF *accretre* f. L *accrecere* ACCRETE¹]

accum'ulate, v.t. & i. Heap up, gain by degrees, (usu. fig., a fortune, ill will, etc., or abs.), amass, make money; || take (University degrees) by accumulation (obj. expressed, or abs.), i.e. more than one step at a time; grow numerous, form an increasing mass or heap (lit. & fig., as dirt, disasters, hard ~d). [f. obs. *accumulare* a. f. L *ac(c)umulare* f. *cumulus* heap, -ATE¹]

accumulà'tion, n. Collection (act. or pass.), amassing; money-making; growth of capital by continued interest; combination of distinct acts into one (degrees, see prec., or church services etc.); a mass (as snow, papers, property). [f. L *accumulatio* (prec., -ION)]

accum'ulative, a. Arising from accumulation (~ proof, evidence, now being

ousted by *cumulative*); so arranged as to accumulate (sinking fund); acquisitive, given to hoarding. Hence ~LY¹ (-vl-) adv. [as prec. + -LY]

accum'ulator, n. One who collects; money-maker; || taker of degrees by accumulation; || apparatus for storing electricity. [L (as prec., -OR¹)]

acc'urate, a. Careful, precise, in exact conformity with a standard or with truth. Hence ~ACY n., ~ately² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *ac(c)urare* f. *cura* care, -ATE¹]

accūs'ed, **accūs't**, a. Lying under a curse, ill-fated; involving misery, execrable, detestable. [p.p. f. obs. *accurse* earlier *acurse* (a- imitated as intensive f. OE *ar-* see A- (1) + OE *cursian* CURSE v.)] **accūs'al** (-z-), n. Sometimes used for foll. [f. *ACCOUSE* + -AL (2)]

accūs'à'tion (-z-), n. Accusing; being accused; a charge of offence or crime; indictment. [F, f. L *accusationem* (ACCOUSE, -ION)]

accūs'ative (-z-), a. & n. ~ case (or ~ as n.), the grammatical case used in Gk & L for the goal of motion or obj. of action; in uninflected languages, applied to the wd that stands as obj., though with no mark of case. Hence **accūsativ'AL** (-z-) adj., ~LY² (-z-; -vl-) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *accusativus* lit. transl. of Gk *aitiastikós* causal (also accusing), the goal or obj. being the final cause of motion or action] **accūsator'ial** (-z-), a. ~ procedure etc., in which prosecutor & judge are not the same, opposed to *inquisitorial*. [as foll. + -AL]

accūs'atory (-z-), a. ~ language, manner, etc., conveying or implying accusation. [f. L *accusatorius* (foll., -ORY)]

accūs'e (-z), v.t. 1. Charge with a fault, indict, (person), whence p.p. as noun, *the ~ed*; blame, lay the fault on, (person or thing, as *the times*); ~ as offender, of offence. 2. Point to (sub). *evidence* etc., obj. a person. Hence ~ER¹ (-z-) n., ~ingly² (-z-) adv. [earlier *acuse* f. OF *acuser* f. L *ac(c)usare* = *causare* f. *causa* cause)]

accūs'tom, v.t. Habituate (oneself, person, or thing, to do or to; commoner in pass.). [earlier *acustom* (see AC-) f. OF *acostumer* (now *accostumer*) (à to, CUSTOM)] **accūs'tomed** (-md), a. In vbl senses; also, usual. [p.p. of prec. in obs. sense *make usual*]

âce, n. 1. The one on dice (*ambs* ~, throw of two ones; *deuce* ~, throw of two & one, formerly two ones); the one on cards or dominoes; card etc. so marked. 2. One point at rackets, lawn tennis, etc.; (Tennis) service that beats opponent. 3. The smallest possible amount, hair's-breadth, as *within an ~* of. 4. (Orig. French) alman who has brought down 10 or more hostile aircraft; one who excels at something, champion; also attrib. [F as f. L as unity]

-acea (-á'sha), *L. suf. freely used to form names (neut. pl. agreeing w. *animalia*) for families of animals; the names are *L. & pl.*, the sing. being supplied by *E. adj.* in *-ACEAN* used as noun; so the *crustacea*, a *crustacean*. [*L. -aceus* (-ac- + -e-us) compd adj. formative]*

-aceae (-á'shē), *L. suf. freely used to form names (fem. pl. agreeing w. *plantae*) for families of plants. [*f. -aceus* see prec.]*

-acean (-á'shan), *a. & n. suf. As adj.*, = *-ACEOUS*; as *n.*, see *-ACEA*. [*L. -aceus* see *-ACEA* + *-AN*]

Acél'dama (ák-), *n.* Field of bloodshed, scene of slaughter. [*Acts* i. 19]

-aceous (-á'shūs), *suf. freely used to form adj.* to the *Nat.-Hist.* nouns in *-ACEA*, *-ACEAE*, as *crustaceous*, *rosaceous*. [*L. -aceus* see *-ACEA* + *-OUS*]

acephal-, stem of several bot., zool., & ecol. terms. Headless. [*L. L. Gk akēphalos* f. *á-* (7) + *kēphalē* head]

aceph'alous (asēf'), *a.* Headless; recognizing no chief; (*Zool.*) having no part of body specially organized as head; (*Bot.*) with head aborted or cut off; (in prosody), (*verse*) wanting the regular first syllable. [*as prec.*, *-OUS*]

ā'cerbāte, *v.t.* Sometimes used for *EX-ACERBATE*.

acérb'itý, *n.* Astringent sourness, harsh taste; bitterness of speech, manner, or temper. [*f. F. acerbité* f. *L. acerbítatem* (*acerbus* sour-tasting, -TY)]

acérv'ate, *a.* Growing in compact clusters (of spines etc.). [*f. L. acervare* (*acervus* a heap), -ATE¹]

acēs'cent, *a.* Turning sour, rather sour, lit. & fig. [*f. L. acescere* inceptive of *acēre* be sour (*ac-* sharp), -ENT]

acet-, stem of many chem. terms. Vinegar. [*L. acetum* vinegar (*acēre* be sour)]

ācētāb'ulum, *n.* (pl. -la). 1. (*Rom. Ant.*) cup to hold vinegar. 2. (*Zool.*) cup-shaped sucker of cuttle-fish etc.; socket of thigh-bone, or of joints in insects. [*f. L. acetum* vinegar + *-abulum* dim. of *-abrum* receptacle]

ācētār'ious, *a.* (Of plants) used in salads. [*f. L. acetaria* salad plants, neut. pl. of *acētaria* (as *ACETIC*, see -AR¹) + *-OUS*]

ā'cētāted, *a.* Treated with acetic acid. [*p.p.* of *acetate* v. (*ACETIC* + *-ATE*²) not otherwise used]

acēt'ic, *a.* Pertaining to vinegar. [*f. L. acetum* vinegar + *-IC*]

acēt'ify, *v.t. & i.* Convert into vinegar; become sour. Hence *~FICA'TION*, *~FIER*¹ (2), *nn.* [*as prec.* + *-FY*]

ā'cētōne, *n.* Colourless limpid liquid valuable as a solvent of organic compounds. [*as prec.* + *-ONE*]

ā'cētous, *a.* Having the qualities of vinegar; sour. [*as prec.* + *-OUS*]

acēt'yīlme, *n.* A colourless gas, burning with a bright flame. [*as prec.*, see -YL & -ENE]

Achaean (akē'an), *a. & n.* (Inhabitant) of *Achaea* (district of the Northern Peloponnesus; also, in Homeric use, Greece generally). [*f. L. Gk Akhaios*]

achernement (see *Ap.*), *n.* Ferocity; gusto. [*F*]

Achates (akāt'ēs), *n.* Faithful friend of *Aeneas* (*Virg. Aen.*); any faithful friend.

ache¹ (āk), *v.i.* Suffer continuous or prolonged pain. [*OE acan*; earlier & correct spelling of the verb was *ake*]

ache² (āk), *n.* Continuous pain. [*OE ace* f. *acan* v.; earlier pronunciation of the noun was *āch* (cp. *bake batch, wake watch*)]

ache³ (āch), *n.* Name of letter H.

Acheulian (ashū'lian), *a.* Of the palaeolithic epoch represented by remains found at *St Acheul* in France. [*-AN*]

achiev'e, *v.t.* Accomplish, carry out; acquire; reach (an end). Hence *~'ABLE* *a.* [*f. F. achever* (*à chef venir* f. *L. ad caput venire* come to a head with)]

achieve'ment (-vīm-), *n.* Completion, accomplishment; thing accomplished; escutcheon or ensign armorial in memory of a distinguished feat; = *HATCHMENT*. [*f. F. achèvement* (*achever* *ACHIEVE*)]

Achilles (akhl'ēs) tēn'don. See *TENDON*. **achil'ous** (ak-), *a.* (bot.). Without lips. [*f. Gk a-* not + *kheilos* lip + *-OUS*]

achlamýd'eous (āklam-), *a.* (bot.). Without calyx or corolla. [*f. Gk a-* not + *khlamos* -idos cloak + *-EUS*]

āchromāt'ic (āk-), *a.* (opt.). Free from colour; transmitting light without decomposing it. Hence *~ICALLY* *adv.*, *~ICITY* (ak-), *~ISM* (2) (*akrōmā*), *nn.*, *~IZE* (3) (*akrōmā*) *v.t.* [*f. Gk akhrōmatos* (*a-* not + *khrōma* -matos colour) + *-IC*]

ā'cid¹, *a.* Sour (~ drops, kind of sweets); (Chem.) with the essential properties of an *ACID*². So *ACIDITY* *n.* [*f. L. acidus* (*acēre* be sour)]

ā'cid², *n.* A sour substance; (Chem.) one of a class of substances that neutralize & are neutralized by alkalis, & are compounded of hydrogen & another element or elements, & of which the principal types are sour & turn vegetable blues to reds; ~ *test* (in which ~ is applied to test composition etc.; often fig. in morals etc.). [*f. prec.*]

acid'ify, *v.t. & i.* Make, becomes, sour; (Chem.) convert into an acid. Hence *~FIABLE* *a.*, *~FICA'TION*, *~FIER*¹ (2), *nn.* [*as ACID*, see -FY]

ācidim'eter, *n.* Instrument for measuring strength of acids. [*as prec.*, see -METER]

ācidōs'is, *n.* (path.). Acid condition of blood (esp. in diabetes). [*hybrid formation* f. *ACID* + *-OSIS*]

acid'ulated, *a.* Made somewhat acid. [*p.p.* of *acidulate* v. (*coll.* + *-ATE*²) not otherwise used]

acid'ulous, *a.* Somewhat acid. [*f. acidulus* (dim. of *acidus* sour) + *-OUS*]

ā'cīnus, n. (pl. *acīni*). One of the small berries that make up a compound fruit such as the blackberry; the compound fruit itself; seed of a grape or berry; (Anat.) racemose gland. Hence *acīn'iform* a. [*L.* = berry, seed]

-acious (-ā'shus), *sufl.* forming *adj.*, meaning 'inclined to', 'abounding in'. [*f. L. -ax -acis*, added to vb stems to form *adj.*, + *-ous*]

-acity, *sufl.* forming nouns of quality corresponding to *adj.* In *-acious* directly *f. L. -acital-* or *thr. F. -acilé*.

āck'āck', a. (sl.). Anti-aircraft (gun etc.). [signalers' name for letters A.A.]

āck ēmm'a, adv. & n. (sl.). *Ante meridiem*; air-mechanic. [signalers' name for letters A.M.]

acknowledge (aknōl'ij), v.t. Admit the truth of; own (person etc. to be something); recognize the authority or claims of; recognize in legal form; express appreciation of; announce receipt of; reward (a service). [*A-* (2) + *KNOWLEDGE*; or from the obs. noun *acknowledge*]

acknowledgement, -grment, (-nōlijm-), n. Act of acknowledging; thing given or done in return for a service, message, etc. [*prec.* + *-MENT*]

acclī'ic, a. ~ *line*, magnetic equator, on which magnetic needle has no dip. [*f. Gk akklīnēs* (a- not + *klīnō* bend) + *-ic*]

āc'mē, n. Highest point, point of perfection. [*Gk.* = point]

āc'nē, n. Pimple; disease marked by pimples. [*perh. corrupt. of ACME*]

acōck', adv. (Of the hat) in cooked fashion. [*A prep.* + *COOK* + *v.*]

āc'ol'yte, n. Inferior officer in the church; attendant, assistant; novice. [*f. Gk akolouthos* follower]

āc'onite, n. Monk's-hood or wolf's-bane, a poisonous plant; extract from this. Hence *ācomit'ic* a., *acōn'itine* n. [*f. F. acōnité f. Gk akoniton* (etym. dub.)]

āc'ōrn, n. Fruit of the oak; ~-shell, multi-valve carriped, allied to barnacles. [*OE acorn*, *perh. w. orig.* meaning 'fruit of the open country' (*OE acer*); *confus. w. corn*¹]

acōtylēd'on, a. Plant with no distinct seed-lobes. Hence ~ous a. [*f. mod. L. acotyledonēs f. Gk a-* not + *kotylēdōn* cup-shaped hollow (*kotulē* cup)]

acou'chy (-ōsh), n. Small rodent allied to guinea-pig. [*f. F. acoucht*, *perh. f. native name in Guiana*]

acous'tic (-ōt-, -ow-), a. Relating to the sense of hearing; (of a mine) that can be exploded by sound waves transmitted under water. Hence ~ical a., ~ically¹ adv., ~i'cian (-shn), ~ics, nn. [*f. F. acoustique f. Gk akoustikos* (akous hear)]

acquaint, v.t. Make (person, oneself) aware (of or with facts, that, how, etc.); make oneself familiar (with circumstances etc.); (pass.) have personal knowledge

(with person or thing). [*f. OF acointier f. LL accognitare f. cogniti-* p.p. st. of *co(g)noscere* come to know)]

acquain'tance, n. Knowledge of (with) person etc. more than mere recognition & less than intimacy; person(s) with whom one is acquainted (pl. now usu. ~s in this sense). Hence ~SHIP (-s-sh-) n. [*f. OF acointance* (acointer ACQUAINT)]

acquist', n. Thing acquired; (Law) property gained otherwise than by inheritance. [*f. OF acquist f. LL acquistum f. L. acquiescere* (see ACQUIRE)]

ācquiesc'e, v.i. Agree tacitly; ~s in, accept (arrangements, conclusions). So ~ENCE n., ~ENT a. [*f. MF acquiescer f. L. ACQUIESCERE* rest]

acquire', v.t. Gain by oneself & for oneself; (of qualities etc.) win (person a good name etc.); come into possession of; *an ~d taste* (not natural). Hence ~MENT (-izm-) n., ~d mental faculty. [*f. OF acquerre f. L. ACQUIRERE quisit-* = *querere* seek]

ācquis'ition (-zī-), n. Act of acquiring; thing acquired. So *acquis'itive* (-zī-) a., *acquis'itiveness* (-zī-; -vn-) n. [*f. L. acquisitio* (as *prec.*, see -ION)]

acquit', v.t. (-tt-). Pay (a debt); declare (person) not guilty (of offence); discharge oneself (of duty, responsibility); ~ oneself (perform one's part) well, ill, etc. [*f. OF aquiter f. LL + ACQUITARE* = *L. quietare* settle *f. quiete* -this rest)]

acquitt'al, n. Discharge from debt; deliverance from a charge by verdict etc.; performance (of duty). [*prec.* + *AL* (2)]

acquitt'ance, n. Payment of debt; release from debt; receipt in full. [*f. OF aquittance* (aquiter ACQUIT, see -ANCE)]

ā'cre (-ker), n. Measure of land, 4,840 sq. yds; piece of tilled or enclosed land, field (only in special uses, as *broad ~s*, *God's A-*, *Long A-*). Hence (-)ā'crad' (-erd) a. [*f. OE acer*, *acer* (cf. OHG *achar* *L. ager* *Gk agros* Skr. *ajras*) tilled or enclosed land (orig. open country); adopted in mod. *L.* as *acra*, in OF as *acre*, hence mod. spelling for the regular *aker*]

ā'creage (-ker-), n. Amount of acres; acres collectively or in the abstract. [*ACRE* + *AGE*]

āc'rid, a. Bitterly pungent, irritating, corrosive; of bitter temper or manner. Hence *acrid'ity* n. [*irreg. f. L. acer -oris* pungent + *-id*, *perh. assimilated to acid*]

āc'rimony, n. Bitterness of temper or manner. So *ācrimōn'ious* a., *ācrimōn'iously* adv. [*f. L. acrimonia* pungency (*acer -oris* sharp; see -MONY) *perh. thr. F. acrimonie*]

Ac'rita (āk-), n. pl. (zool.). Animals with no distinct nervous system. [*mod. L. f. Gk akritos* undistinguishable (a- not + *kritōs* distinguishable)]

ācro- in comb. Highest, topmost, terminal; tipped with; at the point or

extremity of. [f. Gk *akros* topmost, outermost]

ăc'robăt, n. Rope-dancer, tumbler; politician, reasoner, etc., who changes position nimbly. Hence **ăcrobăt'ic** a., **ăcrobăt'ically** adv. ~ISM n. [f. F *acrobat* f. Gk *akrobates* walking on tiptoe, climbing aloft [ACRO- + *batos* vbl. adj. f. *baînô* go]]

ăc'rogên, n. (bot.). Cryptogamous plant having perennial stem with growing point at extremity, as ferns & mosses. Hence **ăcrob'gênous** a. [ACRO- + Gk *-gênês* born]

ăc'rolith, n. Statue with head & extremities of stone. [ACRO- + Gk *lithos* stone]

ăcrôn'ychiâl (-ik-), a. Happening at nightfall (esp. of rising or setting of stars). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. Gk *akronukhos* (ACRO- + *nuk* *nuktos* night) + *-al*]

ăcrôp'etal, a. Developing from below upwards. Hence ~LY² adv. [ACRO- + L *petere* seek + *-al*]

ăcrôp'olis, n. Citadel or elevated part of a Greek city, esp. of Athens. [Gk *akropolis* (ACRO- + *polis* city)]

ăcross' (-aw), adv. & prep. In the form of a cross, as *with arms* ~; forming a cross with, making angles with, (object expressed or understood), as *a line drawn* ~ (the road); into contact with, as *came* ~ a tiger, *an instance*; from side to side (of), as *run* ~ (the road); on the other side (of), as *by this time he is* ~ (the Channel). Put it ~ a person (sl.), get even with, impose on, deceive. [A prep. + CROSS¹; Caxton has *in cross* f. F *encrois*]

ăcrôs'tic, n. Poem or other composition in which the initial (single ~), the initial & final (double ~), or the initial, middle, & final (triple ~) letters of the lines make words; word-puzzle so made; Hebrew poem of which the lines begin with the successive letters of the alphabet. Hence **ăcrôs'tic** a., **ăcrôs'tically** adv. [ACRO- + Gk *stikhos* row, line of verse]

ăct', n. Thing done, deed, this as outward sign of a condition etc. (~ of faith, contribution); process of doing, operation, as in the very ~ of, Act of God (operation of uncontrollable natural forces); Acts (of the Apostles), N.T. book; decree passed by a legislative body etc.; ~ & deed, binding legal instrument (esp. *I deliver this as my* ~ & deed said at time of signing); main division of a play; || (in Universities) thesis maintained by a candidate for a degree etc. [f. F *acte* f. L *actus* -ûs doing and f. L *actum* thing done; see foll.]

ăct', v.t. & i. Carry out (an incident or story) in mimicry, represent, perform a play or part; personate (character in a play or in life), as ~ *Othello*, ~ the fool; perform actions, behave, as ~ (behave) *politely*, ~ (serve) as *interpreter*, ~ (execute) a suggestion, ~ up to (put into action) a principle; perform special actions, as the policeman declined to ~

the brake refused to ~, alcohol ~s on the brain. [f. L *agere* act-do]

ăct'ing, a. & n. In vbl senses, esp.: doing duty temporarily, as *A~ Captain*; doing alone duties nominally shared with others, as *A~ Manager, Trustee*; ~ copy (for players' use, with stage-directions & cuts). [ACT² + -ING¹]

Actin'ia (ăk-), n. (pl. -ae, -as). Genus of Zoophytes belonging to the family Actinidae; (pop.) sea-anemone. [mod. L f. Gk *aktis* -inos ray]

ăct'inism, n. That property of the sun's rays by which chemical changes are produced, as in photography. So **ăctin'io** a. [as prec. + -ISM]

ăctin'ium, n. Radio-active substance found in pitchblende; an element that turns dark in sunlight. [as prec. + -IUM]

actino- in comb. = Gk *aktis* -inos ray, as **ăctinôx'meter** n., instrument for measuring intensity of sun's heating rays; **ăctinother'apy** n., treatment of disease by light rays.

ăct'ion, n., & v.t. 1. Process of acting, exertion of energy or influence, as *men of* ~, *put in* ~, ~ of an acid; thing done, act; (in drama) series of events represented; mode of acting, management of body, etc., as ~ of a player, horse; mechanism of piano or other instrument; legal process; engagement between troops (*A~ Front!*, Artillery word of command). 2. v.t. Bring a legal ~ against. [F, f. L *actionem* (as ACT², see -ION)]

ăct'ionable (-shon-), a. Affording ground for an action at law. Hence ~LY² adv. [ACTION + -ABLE]

ăct'ivâte, v.t. Make active (~d sludge, aerated sewage containing aerobic bacteria); (Phys.) make radio-active. [-ATE²]

ăct'ive, a. 1. Given to outward action; working, effective; energetic, diligent; acting of one's own accord, acting upon others. 2. (Gram.) the ~ voice comprises all forms of intransitive verbs, & those forms of transitive verbs that attribute the verbal action to the person or thing whence it proceeds (the logical subject), as *We punished him*; not, like the forms of the passive voice, to the person or thing to whom it is directed (the logical object), as *He was punished by us*. Less correctly, verbs are themselves called ~. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *activus* (as ACT², see -IVE); or direct f. L in theol. phr. *vita activa*]

ăctiv'ity, n. Exertion of energy; quality of being active, diligence, nimbleness; (pl.) active forces, spheres of action. [f. F *activité* f. mod. L *activitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

ăct'on, n. Jacket of quilted cotton worn under mail; mail-plated jacket of leather etc. [f. OF *aucucon* (mod. *houcoun*) padding, padded jacket, f. Sp. *alcoton* (mod. *alcodon*) cotton f. Arab. *al-qatun* the cotton]

āc'tor, n. Dramatic performer, whence **āc'tress**¹ n.; (rarely) doer. [L. = doer, actor (as **ACT**¹; see -OR²)]

āc'tūal, a. Existing in fact, real; present, current. [f. F *actuel* f. LL *actualis* (*actus* vbl n. f. *agere* **ACT**¹; see -AL)]

āc'tūāl'itē, n. Reality; realism; (pl.) existing conditions. [f. med. L *actualitas* (as prec., see -ITY)]

āc'tūāliz[e], v.t. Realize in action; describe realistically. Hence **~A'TION** n. [ACTUAL + -IZE]

āc'tūālly, adv. In actual fact, really; for the time being; even (strange as it may seem). [-LY²]

āc'tuār'y, n. Expert in theory & practice of statistics, esp. of mortality, sickness, retirement, & unemployment; (formerly) registrar, notary. Hence **āc'tuār'IAL** a. [f. L *actuarius amanuensis*, book-keeper (*actus*; see ACTUAL & -ARY¹)]

āc'tuāte, v.t. Communicate motion to (a machine etc.); serve as motive to (person). Hence **āc'tuā'TION** n. [f. med. L *actuare* (*actus*, as prec., see -ATE³)]

acūt'itē, n. Sharpness, acuteness (as of needle, acid, disease, wit). [f. F *acuité* f. mod. L *acutitatem* (*acus* -*ilis* needle; see -ITY)]

acūl'eate, a. (Zool.) having a sting; (Bot.) prickly; pointed, incisive. [f. L *aculeatus* (ACULEUS, see -ATE³)]

acūl'eus, n. (pl. -i). (Zool.) sting; (Bot.) prickle. [L *aculeus* sting, dim. of *acus* needle]

acūm'ēn, n. Keen discernment, penetration. [L *acumen* -*inis* anything sharp (*acuere* sharpen)]

acūm'inate¹, a. (nat. hist.). Tapering to a point. [f. L *acuminare* (prec.), see -ATE³]

acūm'ināte², v.t. Sharpen, point; give poignancy to. Hence **acūm'ina'TION** n. [as prec., see -ATE³]

|| **acū'shla** (-ōb-). n. Darling. [f. Ir. *á cuisle* O pulse (of my heart)!]

acūte¹, a. Sharp, pointed; (of angles) less than a right angle; (of diseases) coming sharply to a crisis, opp. to *chronic*; (of sensations, senses, intellect) keen; (of sounds) high, shrill; (of letters) bearing the ~ ACCENT. Hence ~LY² (-tī-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *acuere* -*ut* sharpen] **acūt'i-** in comb. Sharp, as ~*foliate* sharp-leaved, ~*lobate* sharp-lobed. [L comb. form of *acutus* ACUTE]

-acy, suf. forming nouns of state or quality from or modelled on L *-acia* or *-atia* or Gk *-ateia*. 1. N. of quality f. L *-aci-a* f. adj. in *-act-*: *fall-* deceive *fall-*ac- deceitful *fall-*act-a fallacy. 2. N. of state or quality f. L *-ati-a* f. nouns in *-at-* (nom. -as, -i- being part of stem or connecting link): med. L *primat-* *primati-a* primacy; & by analogy *supremacy*. 3. N. of state f. med. L *-ati-a* f. nouns in *-atus*: *advocat-us* *advocat-*ia *advocacy*;

& by analogy *curacy*. This formation was extended to adj. f. L *-atus* to form *accuracy*, *obstinacy*, from *accurate*, *obstinate*, where L has nouns in *-atio*; hence other L words in *-atio* appear in E with *-acy* where E has no corresponding adj. in *-ade*, as *conspiracy*; similarly, E *-acy* for L *-atus* (n. of 4th decl.), as *magistratus* magistracy, gives rise to *episcopacy* as if f. E *episcopate*; & *lunacy* is formed to match *lunatic* on anal. of *diplomacy* *diplomatic*. 4. N. of state, through L, f. Gk *-ateia* f. n. in *-atēs* or vb in *-ateuein*: *peirateia* piracy.

ād, n. (colloq.). Advertisement. [abbr.]

ad-, pref. 1. f. L *ad* to, with sense of motion or direction to, change into, addition, adherence, increase, or mere intensification. Before *c f g i n p q r s t*, & prob. before *b*, *ad* was in later L assimilated; before vowels & *d h j m v*, it was unchanged. In OF, L *ad*, wherever recognized as such, became *a-*, even before vowels, as *adorn* f. L *adornare*; but later the spelling was Latinized, sometimes with changed pronunciation, both in F & still more in E, where the OF forms had been adopted. (The use of *ad-*, *ab-*, in pairs like *adoral*, *aboral*, situated at & away from mouth, is unknown to L). 2. The pedantic spelling *ad-* for *a-* was sometimes extended to *a-* coming not from L *ad* but f. L *ab-* (*advance* F *avancer* L *ab-* *anteare*, f. OF *en-* (addebit OF *endette*), f. OF *es-* f. L *ex-* (affray OF *esfrayer*), f. OE *a-* (*accurse* ME *a-curse*), etc.; so *admiral* f. Arab. *amiral*. New native compounds with E *a-* were falsely spelt in the same way.

-ad, suf. of nouns. 1. f. Gk *-ad-* (nom. -as), in collective numerals (*monad*, *dyad*, *triad*, *chiliad*, *myriad*); in fem. patronymics (*Dryad*, *Naiad*); in names of poems (*Iliad*, & by anal. *Dunciad*, *Rosciad*); & in family names of plants (*liliad*, *asclepiad*). 2. f. F *-ade*; see the more usual **-ADE**. 3. suf. invented to form adj. & adv. in the sense of 'towards' (the part indicated by main element of word), as *caudad* towards the tail [L *cauda* tail]

ād'age, n. Traditional maxim, proverb. [F, f. L *adagium* (*ad* to + *agi-*, root of *ago* I say)]

adagio (adahj'yō), adv., a., n. (mus.). Slow(ly); (n.) ~ movement. [It.]

Ad'am¹ (ā-), n. The first man (not know one from ~, have no knowledge of his looks); *old* ~ (unregenerate condition), ~'s *ale* or *wine* (water), ~'s *apple* (projection of the thyroid cartilage of the larynx). [Heb. *a-dam* man]

Ad'am² (ā-), a. (At first in pl.) of the decorative style created by the brothers Robert & James Adam in the 18th c.

ād'amant, n. A thing impenetrably hard (be ~, stubbornly refuse compliance with requests); (formerly) loadstone; f

Hence **ādāmān'** *tin's* ^a. [f. OF *adamant* f. L *adamantem* (nom. -*mas*) f. Gk *adamas* -*mantos* untamable (a- not + *damaō* I tame); used in Gk of the hardest metal, prob. steel; in med. L of the loadstone, from confusion with *ad-amanem* having an attraction for; from 17th cent., often a synonym for **DIAMOND**]

Ad'amite (ā-), n. Child of Adam, human being; unclothed man; (Eccl.) name of sects who imitated Adam in this respect; (pl.) a section of humanity supposed by some to be alone derived from Adam. [ADAM¹ + -ITE]

adapt', v.t. Fit (a thing to another); make suitable (to or for a purpose); modify, alter, (*plays ~ed from the French*). Hence or cogn. ~**ADAPT'ITY**, **ādapt'ion**, nn., ~**ABLE**, ~**IVE**, aa. [f. F *adapter* f. L *AD(aptare f. optus fit)*]

ād cāptā'dum (*vāl'gus*), adv. & a. (Calculated) to take the fancy (of the rabble). [L]

ād, v.t. & i. Join (one thing to another), as ~ *your entreaties to mine*, ~ *insult to injury*, this ~s to (increases) *our difficulties*, he ~ed (stated further) *that*-, ~ *up or together* (find the sum of), ~ (perform the process of summation) *correctly*, ~ *in* (include). [f. L *AD(dere dīl=dare put)*]

ād'āx, n. Large N.-African & Arabian antelope with twisted horns. [L, f. African wd]

ādēn'dum, n. (pl. -*da*). Thing to be added; appendix, addition. [L gerundive of *addere* **ADD**]

ād'er, n. Small venomous snake, esp. Common Viper; *Puff, Death, Horned, A*~, species of *Viperidae*; *Flying A*~, dragonfly; *A*~'s *tongue*, kind of fern. [f. OE *neādre* (cf. OLG *nādra*, OHG *nātra*) serpent; n- lost in ME by wrong division of a *nadder* into an *adder*; *neāder* survives in dial.]

addict', v.t. Devote, apply habitually, (to a practice), as *his tastes ~ him*, he ~s *himself or his mind*, *he is ~ed*, to; (Rom. Law) deliver over by sentence of a judge. So **add'ict** n., person ~ed to specified drug etc. (*opium* ~), **addic'tion** n. [f. L *AD(dicere dīcī=say) assign*]

Add'ison's disease (ā-; -*zā*), n. Disease characterized by progressive anaemia & debility & brown discoloration of skin. [T. Addison discoverer, 1855]

addic'tion, n. Process of adding (*in ~ to*, as well as); thing added (*a useful ~*). [F, f. L *additionem* (as **ADD**, see -**ION**)]

addic'tional (-*shon*-), a. Added, supplementary. Hence ~**LX**² adv. [prec. + -**LX**]

ād'dle¹, a. ~ egg, rotten one, one that produces no chicken; empty, vain; ~**addled**, unsound, as ~*brained*, ~*head*, ~*soled*. [f. OE *adela* mud (cf. MLG *adels* ~*addel*); now used only as adj.]

ād'dle², v.t. & i. Muddle, confuse; (of eggs) grow addle. [f. prec.]

ād'dled (-*ld*), a. Made addle. [**ADDLE** a. assim. to p.p. form, apparently before **ADDLE** v. existed]

addres's', v.t. Direct in speech or writing (~ *remarks*, a *protest*, *petition*, etc. to person; ~ *oneself to*, speak or write to); write directions for delivery on cover of (letter, parcel, etc.); speak or write to, esp. deliver a speech to, (person, audience); apply (*oneself to a task*); (Golf) adjust club head behind (ball) before playing stroke. [f. F *adresser*=LL² + **AD(driciare f. drictum for directum) DIRECT**)]

addres's', n. Readiness, skill, dexterity, adroitness; superscription of letter, name of place to which person's letters are directed, whence ~**OGRAPH** (2) n. P, machine for printing ~es; act of dispatching a ship; manner, bearing, in conversation; discourse delivered to audience; (pl.) courteous approach, courtship (*pay one's ~es to*). [f. prec. & f. F *adresse* n. f. *adresser*]

addressee', n. Person to whom a letter is addressed. [**ADDRESS**¹ + -**EE**]

adduc'e', v.t. Cite as proof or instance. Hence ~**ABLE**, ~**IBLE**, aa. [f. L *AD(ducere duc=lead)*]

addu'cent, a. (physiol.) (Of muscles) drawing to a common centre. [as prec., see -**ENT**]

adduct', v.t. (physiol.) Draw to a common centre. [as **ADDUCE**]

adduc'tion, n. Act of adducing; act of adducting. [F, f. L *adductionem* (as prec., see -**ION**)]

-**ade**, suf. of nouns. 1. f. F -*ade*, the form in which Pr., Sp., or Port. wds in -*ada* f. L -*ata* (fem. sing. p.p. of verbs in -*are*) were adopted in F, often supplanting native F -*de* direct f. L, as in *accolade* OF *acolte*. Now a living suf. both in F wds, many of which are borrowed by E (*tirade*, *gasconade*), & in E (*blockade*, *orangeade*); E drops F *e* in *ballad*, *salad*. Meanings: action done (*tirade*, *fusillade*), body concerned in action or process (*ambuscade*, *cavalcade*), thing produced by action or from material (*masquerade*, *lemonade*). 2. f. F -*ade* f. Gk -*ada* (nom. -*as*), as *decade*; but in E usu. -**AD**. 3. f. Sp. or Port. -*ado*, inasc. form corresp. to 1 above, with similar meaning (*breccade*), or that of the person concerned (*renegade*).

ād'enoids (-*z*), n. pl. Mass of spongy tissue between back of nose & throat, often hindering inflation of lungs. [f. Gk *adēn-ēnos* acorn, gland]

ādēpt', n. & a. (One who is) thoroughly proficient (in anything); skilled alchemist. [f. L *adeptus* p.p. of *AD(ēptus=aptus f. root ap=)* attain, used in med. L as title by alchemists who 'had attained' the great secret]

ād'equiate, a. Proportionate (to the requirements); sufficient. Hence ~**ACY** n., ~**ATELY**¹ (-*tl*-) adv. [f. L *adsequere* make equal (*sequi*), see -**ATE**²]

adēs'pota, n. pl. Literary works not attributed to (or claimed by) an author. [neut. pl. of Gk *adespotos* without owner (a- not + *despotēs* master)]

adē'm dem, adv. *Admitted* ~ (*gratum*), to the same (degree at another univ.). [L] **à deux** (see Ap.), adv. & a. For two; between two. [F]

adhē're (-h-), v. l. Stick fast, cleave, to (a substance, person, party, opinion). [f. L *adhaerere* haes- stick]

adhēr'ent (-h-), a. & n. Sticking (to substance); due to; connected with (to); (n.) supporter (of party etc.). So ~ENCE (-h-) n. [f. F *adhérent* (as prec., see -ENT)]

adhē'sion (-hēzhn), n. Adhering (lit. & fig.); (Path.) unnatural union of surfaces due to inflammation. [f. F *adhésion* f. L *adhaesionem* (as ADHERE, see -ION)]

adhēs'ive (-h-), a. Having the property of adhering; sticky. Hence ~LY² (-h-; -v-) adv. [f. F *adhésif*, -ive (as ADHERE, see -IVE)]

adhib'it (-h-), v. t. Put on, affix; apply, administer, (remedies). So **adhibi'tion** (-h-) n. [f. L *adhibere* hibit- *habere* hold] employ]

ad hōc, a. Arranged for this purpose, special. [L]

adiabāt'ic, a. (phys.). Impassable to heat; occurring without heat entering or leaving system. [f. Gk *adiabatos* impassable (a- not + *diabainō* pass)]

adiā'n'tum, n. Genus of ferns including the True Maidenhair; (pop.) Black Maidenhair. [L, f. Gk *adiantion* maiden-hair. lit. unwetted (a- not + *diainō* wet)]

adiaph'or'ism, n. Latitudinarianism. So ~IST n. [f. Gk *adiaphoros* (a- not + *diaphoros* different f. *dia* apart + *phero* bear) + -ISM]

adieu (adū'), int. & n. Good-bye; *make, take*, one's ~, say good-bye. [F (à to + *Dieu* God)]

ad infini'tum, adv. Without limit, for ever. [L]

ad in'ter'im, adv. & a. For the meantime. [L]

ādipocē're, n. Greyish fatty substance generated in dead bodies subjected to moisture. [f. F *adipocire* (L *adeps* -*ipis* fat + -o- + *cire* wax f. L *cera*)]

ādipō'se, a. & n. Pertaining to fat, fatty; (n.) animal fat. Hence **ādipō's'iv** n. [f. L *adeps* -*ipis* fat + -OSE]

ād'it, n. Approach; (of mines) horizontal entrance; act of approaching. [f. L *aditus* -*us* (ire it- go)]

adjā'cent, a. Lying near, contiguous. So ~ENCY n. [f. L *adjacere* lie, see -ENT]

adj'ective, a. & n. Additional, not standing by itself, dependent: ~ *colours* (not permanent without a basis); *Law A* ~ (subsidiary part of law, procedure); (Gram.) ~, *noun* ~, the name of an attribute, added to the name of a thing to

describe the thing more fully. Hence **adj'ectiv'al** a., **adj'ectiv'al'iv** ~LY¹ (-v-), advv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *adjectivus* f. *adjicere* ject- = *jacere* throw, see -IVE] **adjoin'**, v. t. Join, unite, (one thing to another); be contiguous with. [f. OF *ajoindre* f. L *adjungere* junct- join]

adjourn (ajérn'), v. t. & i. Put off, postpone; break off for later resumption; (intr., of persons met together) suspend joint proceedings & separate; change the place of meeting. Hence ~MENT (ajér-) n. [f. OF *ajourner* f. LL *adjournare* appoint a day (*diurnus* day, cf. It. *giorno*, F *jour*, f. L *diurnus* daily f. *dies* day)]

adjudge', v. t. Adjudicate upon (a matter); pronounce judicially (*that a thing is* or *a thing to be*); condemn (person to penalty or to do); award judicially (thing to person). Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n. [f. OF *ajuger* (as foll.)]

adjud'icāte (ajōō-), v. t. & i. (Of a judge or court) decide upon (claim etc.); pronounce (person to be something); (intr.) sit in judgement & pronounce sentence. Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ATIV² a., (ajōō-). [f. L *adjudicare* f. *judex* -*icis* judge, see -ATE¹]

adj'unct, n. Subordinate or incidental thing, accompaniment (*to, of*); (Gram.) amplification of the predicate, subject, etc.; (Logic) non-essential attribute. Hence **adjunc'tiv²** a., **adjunc'tiv'el²** (-v-) adv. [f. L as ADJOIN]

adjure (ajoor'), v. t. Charge (a person) under oath or penalty of curse (to do); request earnestly. Hence **adjura'tion** (ajoor-) n. [f. L *adjurare* swear] in LL sense 'put person to an oath']

adjust', v. t. Arrange, put in order; harmonize (discrepancies); adapt (*to* standard or purpose). Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [f. 16th-c. F *adjuster* (med. F *ajuster*) f. med. L *adjustare* (not, as was thought, *ad* + *justus* just, but) f. OF *ajuster*, *ajouster* (mod. F *ajouter*) f. LL *adjutare* bring together f. *juvare* near); those meanings of OF *ajuster* that seemed connected with L *justus* being given to the new *adjuster*, formed when the conn. of OF *ajuster* with *adjustare* came to be concealed by the new spelling *ajouter*]

adju'tage, aj-, (ajōō-), n. Mouthpiece of an artificial fountain. [f. F *ajoutage* (*ajouter* add, join; see prec. & -AGE)]

adj'utant (ajōō-), a. & n. 1. Assistant; (Mil.) army etc. officer who assists superior officers by communicating orders, conducting correspondence, etc., whence ~ANCY n. 2. Gigantic Indian stork. [f. L *adjutare* frequent, as foll., see -ANT]

adj'vant (ajōō-), a. & n. Helpful, auxiliary; person, thing, that helps. [F, f. L *adjutare* *jud*-help, see -ANT]

ad lib'itum, adv. (abbr. *ad lib.*). At pleasure, to any extent. [L]

admeasure (-mēsh'ēr), v.t. Apportion, assign in due shares. [f. OF *amesurer* f. LL *AD(mensurare) MEASURE*]

admeasurement (-mēzh'ēr-m-), n. Process of admeasuring; comparison; dimensions. [f. OF *amesurement* (as prec., see -MENT)]

admin'icle, n. A help; (Law) corroboratory evidence. Hence **adminic'ular** a. [f. L *adminiculum* prop (*manus* hand)]

admin'ister, v.t. & l. Manage (affairs); dispense (justice, sacraments, to); tender (oath to); furnish, give, (thing to); apply (remedies to); (intr.) act as administrator; contribute to (one's comfort etc.). Hence **admin'istrable** a. [f. OF *aministrer* f. L *AD(ministrare) MINISTER*]

administrā'tion, n. Management (of business); management of public affairs, government; the ministry, the Government; (Law) management of deceased person's estate; *Letters of A~*, authority to administer estate of an intestate, opp. to *probate*; dispensation (of justice etc.); tendering (of oath); application (of remedies). [perh. thr. F] f. L *administratio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

admin'istrā'tive, a. Pertaining to management of affairs; executive. Hence **~LY** (-vī-) adv. [f. L *administrativus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

admin'istrā'tor, n. Manager; one capable of organizing; one who performs official duties (of religion, justice, etc.); applier or giver (of); one authorized to manage estates for legal owner during minority etc., or estates of one who dies without appointing competent executors. Hence **~torship** n., **~trix** n. (pl. **~trices**, pron. -īsz or -is'ēz). [L, as ADMINISTER, see -OR]

ad'mirable, a. Surprisingly good, excellent. Hence **~LY** adv. [F, f. L *admirabilis* (as ADMIRE, see -ABLE)]

ad'miral, n. Commander-in-chief of a country's navy (in England, formerly *Lord High A~*); naval officer of highest rank, commander of fleet or squadron; *A~ of the Fleet*, *A~, Vice-A~, Rear-A~*, the four grades of A~ in British Navy; privileged commander of fishing or merchant fleet; ship that carries the ~, *Flagship*; *Red A~, White A~*, two European species of butterfly. Hence **~SHIP** n. [f. OF *amiral* f. Arab. *amīr* commander al of the (Faithful, Sea, etc.), Latinized as *amīralis*, but refashioned (see AD-) as *admiralis*, & confused with L *admirari* wonder at, whence med. L *admirabilis mundi* ruler of the world]

ad'miralty, n. Office of admiral; branch of the executive that superintends the navy (in England, *Lords Commissioners of A~*); (Rhet.) command of the seas (esp. the voice of ~); *Court of A~*, tribunal for trial & decision of maritime questions & disputes. [f. OF *admiralté*; see ADMIRAL & -TY]

admirā'tion, n. Pleased contemplation; (formerly) wonder; *the ~ of*, admired by; *note of ~* (l). [F, f. L *admiratorem* (as foll., see -ATION)]

admire', v.t. Regard with pleased surprise or approval; (also, colloq.) express admiration of (*forgot to ~ her cat*); (formerly) wonder at, wonder. [f. F *admirer* f. L *AD(mirari) wonder at*]

admir'er, n. One that admires; lover. [ADMIRE + -ER]

admiss'ible, a. (Of idea or plan) worthy to be entertained; (Law) allowable as judicial proof; capable of being admitted (to office or position). Hence **~BIL'ITY** n. [F, f. L *admissibilis* (as ADMIT, see -BLE)]

admi'ssion (-shn), n. Admitting, being admitted, (to society of persons or class of things); acknowledgement (of thing as true, *that it is true*). [f. L *admissio* (as foll., see -ION)]

admiss'ive, a. Tending to admit. [f. L *admissivus* (as foll., see -IVE)]

admit', v.t. & i. (-tt-). Allow (person etc.) entrance or access (to place, class, privileges, etc.); accept as valid or true, whence **~t'edly** adv.; acknowledge (thing to be, *that it is*); (abs.) *this, I ~, was wrong*; (of enclosed spaces) have room for; ~ of, leave room for (doubt, improvement). [f. F *admettre* f. L *AD(mittere) miss-let go*]

admitt'able, a. Capable of being admitted (usu. to a place). [prec. + -ABLE]

admitt'ance, n. Admitting, being admitted, (usu. to a place). [ADMIT + -ANCE]

admix', v.t. & i. Add as an ingredient; mingle (with something). So **~TURE** n. [AD + MIX; perh. due to *admixt*, really f. L *admixt*-p.p. of *AD(miscere) mixt*-MIX, but taken for an E p.p.]

admōn'ish, v.t. Exhort (person to do, *that he should do*); give advice; warn (of a thing); inform, remind, (of a thing, *that*). Hence **~MENT** n. [OE *amonest* f. OF *amonester* f. LL *admonestare* irreg. f. *AD(monēre) monit*-warn; *amonest* having dropped final -t (supposed to be p.p. ending) became *admonish* on anal. of *aboliss* *abolish* etc.]

admon'ition, n. Admonishing; warning, reproof. So **admon'itory** a. [f. OF *amonition* f. L *admonitionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

ad naus'ēdm, adv. To a disgusting extent. [L]

adnōm'inal, a. Belonging to an adnoun; attached to a noun. [f. L *adnomen* variant of *agnomen* in the sense (not L) 'attached to a noun' (*ad* to + *nomen* noun)]

ad'noun, n. Adjective, word added to a noun substantive; adjective used substantively. [f. L *ad* to + *noun* on anal. of *adverb*]

ado (adō'), n. Action, business, fuss; difficulty. [f. Norse *at* (=to with in-

finite) + *do*; much *ado* prop. = much to do; but much being taken as adj., *ado* is treated as n.]

-*ado*, suf. of nouns. 1. f. Sp. or Port. -*ado* f. L. -*atus* p.p. of vbs in -*are*, as *desperado* f. L. *desperatus* (desperate); sometimes changed in E to -*ade*, as *renegade*, now *renegade*. 2. Ignorant refashioning of nouns in -*ade* f. F -*ade* = Sp. -*ada* It. -*ata*, as *crusado* Sp. *crucuada*, *escalado* Sp. *escalada*. *adób'ê* (or -*ôb'*), n. Unburnt sun-dried brick. [Sp.]

adôlès'cent, n. & a. (Person) growing up, between childhood & manhood (14 to 25) or womanhood (12 to 21). So ~*ENCE*, ~*ENCY*, nn. [F. f. L. *ad(ol)escere* ult. incept. of **olère* grow], see -*ENT*]

Adôn'is, n. Beautiful youth loved by Venus; beau, dandy; (Bot.) genus including Pheasant's Eye; || (Entom.) the butterfly Clifton Blue. [Gk. f. Phoen. *adôn* lord, title of a divinity]

ad'ônize, v. refl. & i. Adorn, dandify, (oneself); play the Adonis. [ADONIS + -*IZE*] *adopt'*, v.t. Take (person) into a relationship he did not previously occupy; take (idea etc.) from some one else; choose. Hence ~*ADU'ITY*, *adop'tion*, nn., ~*ABLE* a. [f. F *adopter* f. L. *AD(aptare)* choose, frequent. of obs. *opere* opt- wish] *adopt* esp. child]

adop'tive, a. Due to adoption, as ~ *son*, *father*; apt to adopt. Hence ~*LY*¹ (-*vi*) adv. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), f. L. *adoptivus*; see prec. and -*IVE*]

adôr'e, v.t. Regard with the utmost respect & affection; (poet.) worship as a deity; (in R. C. Church) reverence with representative honours (the Host etc.). So ~*ABLE* a., ~*ABLY*² adv., *adôra'tion* n. [f. F *adorer* f. L. *AD(orare)* speak f. *os oris* mouth] salute, worship]

adôr'er, n. Worshipper; ardent admirer, lover. [prec. + -*ER*¹]

adôrn', v.t. Add beauty or lustre to; furnish with ornaments. So ~*MENT* n. [f. F *adorner* f. L. *AD(ornare)* furnish deck out] *adown'*, adv. & prep. (arch., poet.). = *down*². [f. OE of *dûne* off the mount (see *DOWN*¹ n.)]

ad rê'm, adv. & pred. a. To the point; to the purpose. [L]

âdrén'alîn, n. A hormone secreted by the adrenal ductless glands & affecting circulation & muscular action; this extracted from animals for medicinal use. [*adrenal* at the kidney (f. L. *ad* at + *rên* kidney) + -*IN*]

adrift', adv. In a drifting condition, at the mercy of wind & tide or of circumstances; (Naut.) unfastened. [A prep. + *DRIFT*¹]

adroit', a. Having address, dexterous. Hence ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. [F. orig. = rightly (â to + *droit* right f. OF *dreit* f. LL *drichum* right; see *DIRT*²)]

adry', adv. & pred. a. Dry; thirsty. [a + *DRY*¹ on anal. of *acid*, *adivra*, the prep. A² in these being misunderstood]

âdescit'ious (-*stishus*), a. Adopted from without; supplemental. [f. L. *AD(asciscere)* inceptive of *scire* know + -*ITIUS*]

âdsc'ip'tus glêb'ae, a. & n. (Serf) attached to the soil. [L]

ad'st'm, v.i. I am here. [L]

âd'ul'âte, v.t. Flatter basely. So ~*A'TION*, ~*ATOR*², nn., ~*ATORY* a. [f. L. *adulari* fawn on, see -*ATE*¹]

Adull'amite, n. M.P. seceding from Liberal Party in 1886. [f. cave of *Adullam* (1 Sam. xxii. 1, 2) + -*ITE*]

adul't (or *âd't*, esp. as n.), a. & n. (One who is) grown up; mature. [as ADOLESCENT]

adul'terant, a. & n. (Thing) employed in adulterating. [as foll., see -*ANT*]

adul'terate', a. Stained (in conduct or in birth) by adultery; (of things) spurious, counterfeit. [as foll., see -*ATE*¹]

*adul'ter'âte*², v.t. Falsify by admixture of base ingredients. So ~*A'TION*, ~*ATOR*², nn. [f. L. *adulterare* corrupt (*adulter* adulterer, f. *ad* to + med. L. *alterare* change); replaces obs. vb *adulter* f. OF]

adul'ter'er, n. One guilty of adultery. So ~*ESS*¹ n. [f. *adulter* v. (see prec. & -*ER*¹); obs. *adulter*, *avouter*, are f. OF *avouter* f. L. *adulter*]

adul'terine, a. Of, born of, adultery; adulterated, counterfeit; illegal, unlicensed. [f. L. *adulterinus* born of adultery, spurious (*adulter* adulterer, see -*INE*¹)]

adul'ter'ry, n. Voluntary sexual intercourse of married person with one of the opposite sex other than his or her spouse. So ~*OUS* a., ~*OUSLY*² adv. [f. OF *avouterie*, *adulterie* (L *adulter* adulterer, see -*Y*¹), re-formed on F *adultere* f. L. *adulterium*]

adum'bral, a. Overshadowing, shady. [f. AD + L *umbra* shade + -*AL*]

âd'umbrâte (or *adum'c*), v.t. Represent in outline; faintly indicate; typify, foreshadow; overshadow. Hence or cogn. *âdumbr'a'tion* n., *adum'brative* a. [f. L. *AD(umbrare)* f. *umbra* shade, see -*ATE*¹]

âd'ing'uem (-ngw-), (*âc'tus*), a. Highly finished. [L]

âd'ûrol, n. A photographic developer. [G; P]

adust', a. Scorched, dried up, parched; sunburnt; atrabilious, gloomy. [f. L. *AD(urare)* use -burn]

âd valô'r'ém, adv. & a. (Of taxes) in proportion to estimated value of goods. [L]

*advance'*¹ (-*vah*-), v.t. & i. 1. Move or put forward; promote (plans, persons); bring forward (claims, suggestions); accelerate (events); pay (money) before it is due; lend; raise (price). 2. v.i. Move forward; make progress; rise (in price); (p.p.) far on in progress, as ~*d studies*, *ideas*. So ~*MENT* (-*ahnem*-) n. (esp. of promotion of plan or person). [f. OF *avancer* f. LL *advancare* (advans = ab away + ante before, whence F *avant*; see AD-)]

advance¹ (-vah-), n. Going forward; progress; personal approach, overture; rise in price; payment beforehand, loan; ~ copy of book etc., supplied before publication; in ~, before (of place or time). [f. prec. & f. *avance* n. (as prec.)]

advantage¹ (-vah-), n. Better position, precedence, superiority; favourable circumstance, whence **advantā'geous** (-jus) a., **advantā'geously**¹ (-jus-) adv.; (in Tennis) next point or game won after deuce points or games; *have the ~ of, gain an ~ over, have, acquire, a better position than (you have the ~ of me, esp., you know me & I do not know you); take ~ (avail oneself of a circumstance); take ~ of (overreach) a person; take a person at ~ (by surprise); to ~, in a way to exhibit the merits (was seen, heard, to ~); ~ground (usu. *vantage*-), position that gives superiority. [f. F *avantage* (*avant*; see ADVANCE v. & -AGE)]*

advantage² (-vah-), v.t. Be beneficial to; be an advantage to; further, promote. [f. F *avantage* (*avantage*; see prec.)]

Advent (ád-), n. Season before the Nativity; coming of Christ, Incarnation; second coming of Christ; (a~) any (important) arrival. Hence ~ism (3) n., ~ist (2) n., (tonets of) member of a sect holding millenarian views. [f. OF *advent*, *auvent* f. L *adventus* -ūs arrival f. *advenire* vent- come)]

adventitious (-shus), a. Coming from without; accidental, casual; || (Law, of property) coming from a stranger or by collateral, not direct, succession. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *adventicius* (med. L -itius) coming to us from abroad (as prec., see -ITIOUS)]

adventure¹, n. Risk, danger; daring enterprise; unexpected incident; commercial speculation; hazardous activity. [f. OF *aventure* f. L *adventura* (res thing) about to happen (as ADVENT)]

adventure², v.t. & i. Hazard, imperil, (oneself, thing); incur risk; dare to go or come (*into, in, upon, a place*); dare to enter on, upon, (undertaking). [f. OF *aventurer* (as prec.)]

adventurer (-cher-), n. One who seeks adventures; soldier of fortune; speculator; one who lives by his wits. [f. F *aventurier* (as ADVENTURE¹, see -ER¹)]

adventuresome (-cher-), a. Given to adventures. [ADVENTURE¹ + -SOME]

adventures (-cher-), n. Female adventurer; woman on the look-out for a position. [f. ADVENTURER, see -ESS]

adventurous (-cher-), a. Rash, venturesome; enterprising. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. OF *aventuros* (as ADVENTURE¹, see -OUS)]

adverb, n. Word that modifies or qualifies an adjective, verb, or other adverb, expressing a relation of place, time, circumstance, manner, etc. (e.g. *genially, so, now, where, why*). [f. F *adverbe* f. L *ad-*

verbium (*verbum* word, verb) transl. of Gk *epirrhēma* addition to a predication]

adverbial, a. Pertaining to an adverb; of the nature of an adverb. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *adverbialis* (*adverbium*; see prec. & -AL)]

adverbium, adv. & a. Word for word. [L]

adversary, n. Opponent, antagonist, enemy; the A~, the Devil. [f. OF *aversier* f. L *adversarius* opposed (as ADVERSE, see -ARY¹)]

adversative, a. (Of words etc.) expressing opposition or antithesis. Hence ~ly² (-vl-) adv. [f. L *adversativus* (*adversari* oppose, see foll. & -IVE)]

adverse, a. Contrary, hostile, (to); hurtful, injurious, (to); placed opposite. Hence ~ly² (-sl-) adv. [f. OF *avers* f. L *advertere* vers- turn)]

adversity, n. Condition of adverse fortune; misfortune. [f. OF *aversité* f. L *adversitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

avert¹, v.i. Refer to (in speaking or writing). [f. 14th-c. F *averte* f. F *avertir* f. LL *advertere* = L *vertere* turn) draw attention to; F *avertir* (see AD-) was written *adv-* to dist. it from obs. *avertir* f. LL *avertire* turn away (ab), & E adopted this in *advert* & *advertise*]

advertise (-z), v.t. & i. Notify, warn, inform, (person of thing, *that*); make generally known (thing by circular, in journal, also abs.); ~ for, ask for by public notice. [f. F *avertir* (st. -iss-); see ADVERT]

advertisement (-zm-), n. Public announcement (usu. by placards or in journals). [f. F *avertissement* (as prec., see -MENT)]

advice¹, n. Opinion given or offered as to action, counsel; information given, news; (pl.) communications from a distance; (Commerc.) formal notice of transactions. [f. OF *avis* f. L *advīsum* (*ad* to + *visum* p.p. of *videre* see)]

advisable (-z-), a. To be recommended; expedient. Hence ~ably¹ITY, ~ableness, nn., ~ably² adv. [f. foll. + -ABLE]

advise¹ (-z), v.t. & i. Offer counsel to; recommend (*the doctor ~s a change of air*); (Commerc.) announce; take counsel with. Hence **advisee**¹ (-w-) n., esp. person habitually consulted. [f. F *aviser* f. LL *advīsare* (*advīsum*, see ADVISE)]

advised¹ (-zd), a. Deliberate, considered, whence ~ly² (-'zēdli) adv.; judicious; *ill*~, injudicious. [p.p. of prec.]

advisory (-z-), a. Giving advice; consisting in giving advice. [ADVISE + -ORY] *ad vītām aut cūpām*, adv. During good behaviour. [L]

advocacy, n. Function of an advocate; pleading in support of. [f. F *advocacie*, -tie, f. med. L *advocatus* (as foll., see -ACRY)]

advocate¹, n. One who pleads for another; one who speaks in behalf of (proposal

etc.); professional pleader in courts of justice; *Faculty of A-s*, Scots bar; *Lord A-*, principal law-officer of crown in Scotland; *Devil's ~* (also, *L. advocatus diaboli*), one who pleads against a candidate for canonization. Hence ~SHIP (-ts) n., *advocatory a.* [*f. F advocat f. L advocatus p.p.* (as n.) of *AD(vocare)* call]

ad'vocate, v.t. Plead for, defend, recommend publicly. [*f. prec.*]

|| **advows'on** (-z), n. Right of presentation to a benefice. [*f. OF avoison f. med. L advocacionem* function of patron (as *prec.*, see -ION)]

ad'vān'm'a, n. Want of vital force; physical prostration. Hence **ad'vān'm'io** a. [*Gk adunamia* (a- not + *dunamis* power)]

ad'yūm, n. (pl. -ia). Innermost part of a temple; private chamber, sanctum. [*L f. Gk aduton* not to be entered (a- not + *uton* vbl adj. of *duō* enter)]

ādze, n. & v.t. Tool for cutting away surface of wood, like axe with arched blade at right angles to handle; (vb) cut with ~. [*OE aedea*, etym. dub.]

æ, **ae**, symbol repr. a vowel sound betw. *a* & *e*. 1. In OE short *æ* repr. orig. Teut. short *a*, the sound of *a* in *man*; replaced after 1100 usu. by *a* sometimes by *e*. Long *æ* repr. same sound prolonged, & was replaced in 13th c. by *e* or *ee*. 2. In 16th c. *æ* was reintroduced to repr. *L ae* & *Gk ai*; as, *ædify* (*L aedificare*), *æther* (*Gk aithēr*). In familiar wds *æ* gave place to *e*, (*edify*, *ether*), being kept (pron. *ē*) in some *Gk* & *L* proper names (*Æneas*, *Cæsar*, but *Judea*, *Etna*), in names of *Gk* & *Roman* antiquities (*ædile*, *ægis*), & in some scientific terms (*ætiology*, *phenogamous*, but *phenomenon*, *museum*).

-æ, -ae, pl. suf. of *L* nouns of 1st decl. in -a, & *L* form of *Gk -at* pl. of nouns of 1st decl. in -ῆ, -α, -ῆς, -ας kept in non-naturalized words (*laminæ*, *larvæ*), esp. in proper names (*Heraclidae*) & names of animal & plant orders (*Felidae*, *Rostidae*); varying with -as in some wds acc. to degree of familiarity (*actinæ*, -as) or of technicality (mathematical *formulæ*, theological *formulæ*); familiar wds take -as (*areas*, *hyenas*, *Julians*).

æd'ile, n. Roman magistrate who superintended public buildings, shows, police, etc. Hence ~SHIP (-ish-) n. [*f. L ædilis* (ædes house, see -ILIS)]

|| **æ'ger**, n. (In Eng. univv.) note certifying that student is ill. [*L. =sick*]

æ'gis, n. Protection, impregnable defence; (Myth.) shield of Zeus or Athens. [*L. f. Gk aigis*, etym. dub.]

|| **ægr'it'it**, n. (In Eng. univv.) certificate that student is too ill to attend examination etc. [*L. =he is sick (æger)*]

Æoli'an, a. 1. Of *Æolis*, district of Asia Minor colonized by ancient Greeks; (Mus.) ~ *mode*, ancient Greek *MODE*, ninth

of the church modes (with *A* as final & *E* as dominant). 2. Of *Æolus*, god of winds; ~ *harp*, stringed instrument producing musical sounds on exposure to wind. [*f. L Æolius* (1. *Æolis* *Gk Æolis*; 2. *Æolus* *Gk Æiōlos*) + -AN]

Æol'ic, a. & n. *Æolian* (dialect). [*f. L f. Gk æiolikos* (as *prec.*, see -IC)]
æ'olip'yle, -pile, (or *ēol*), n. Instrument for showing force of steam escaping through narrow aperture. [*f. F æolipyle f. L Æoli pylae f. Gk Æiolou pulai* gates of *Æolus*, god of winds]

æolōt'rop'y, n. Change of physical qualities consequent on change of position. [*f. Gk æiolos* changeful + *-tropia* turning]
æ'on, **ē'on**, n. An age of the universe, immeasurable period; eternity; (Platonic philosophy) a power existing from eternity, emanation or phase of the supreme deity. [*L æon f. Gk aion* age]

æ'erate, v.t. Expose to mechanical or chemical action of air; charge with carbonic acid gas (formerly called *fixed air*).

Hence **æra'tion** n. [*f. L ær air* + -ATE²]

æ'r'ial (or *air*), a. & n. 1. Of air, gaseous; thin as air, ethereal; immaterial, imaginary; of or in the atmosphere, atmospheric; existing, moving, in the air; ~ *railway*, *ropeway*, system of overhead cables from which cars or containers are suspended, usu. driven electrically; ~ *Derby*, annual air-race. 2. n. (pron. *air*). ~ wire or antenna as used in wireless. Hence ~ITY (-it') n., ~LY² adv. [*f. L f. Gk ærios* (æ'r air) + -AL]

ærie, **æery**, **eyrie**, **eyry**, (*æ'eri*, *ī'ri*), n. Nest of bird of prey, esp. eagle, or of raven or other bird that builds high up; human residence perched high on mountain; brood of bird of prey. [*f. med. L æria*, *ærea*, *f. F aire*, perh. *f. L area* level ground or *L atrium* hall]

æ'rifōrm (or *air*), a. Of the form of air, gaseous; unsubstantial, unreal. [*f. L ær air* + -FORM]

aero- (*æ'ro*, *æ'ero*) in comb. Air, of aircraft, as: ~bāt'ics, feats of expert aviation; ~dynam'ics, the physics of gases in motion & their mechanical effects; ~dyne, heavier-than-air aircraft; ~foil, aeroplane wing, tailplane, or fin; || ~gram, wireless message; ~lite, ~lith, meteorite; ~naut, one who navigates a (lighter-than-air) flying machine; ~naut'ical a.; ~naut'ics, science, art, or practice of aerial navigation; ~naut, lighter-than-air aircraft; ~stat'ics, physics of gases in equilibrium, science of air-navigation. [*Gk comb.-form of ær air*]

æ'erōbe, n. Any microbe that lives on free oxygen from the air. Hence **æerōb'ian**, **æerōb'io**, aa. [*ÆERO-*, *Gk bios* life]

|| **aerodrome** (*æ'r*), n. Large tract of open level ground, including all buildings & fixtures, for the operation of aircraft. [*ÆERO-*, -DROME]

aeroplane (æc), n. Mechanically driven heavier-than-air flying machine. [AERO-, Gk *planos* wandering]

aeruginous (æro-), a. Of the nature or colour of verdigris, or copper-rust. [f. F *érugineux* f. L *aeruginosus* (*aerugo* -itis verdigris f. *aes aeris* brass, see -OUS)]

Aesculāp'ius, n. God of medicine; physician. Hence -IAN a. [L]

aes'thète, n. Professed appreciator of the beautiful. [f. Gk *aisthêtês* one who perceives (as foll.)]

aesthēt'ic, a. Belonging to the appreciation of the beautiful; having such appreciation; in accordance with principles of good taste. Hence -ICAL a., -ICALLY adv., -ICISM, -IOS, nn. [f. Gk *aisthêtikos* (*aisthanomai* perceive, see -IO)]

aestho-phýsiol'ogý (-z-), n. Scientific study of the organs of sensation. [Irreg. f. Gk *aisth-* perceive + *PHYSIOLOGY*]

estival, (esp. U.S.) estival, (ès'tival, èstiv'al), a. Belonging to, appearing in, summer. [F (es-), f. L *aestivalis* f. *aestivus* (*aestus* heat), see -IVE, -AL]

aes'tivâte (èst-, èst-), v.I. Spond the summer, esp. (Zool.) in state of torpor. [f. L *aestivare*, see -ATE²]

aestivâ'tion (èst-, èst-), n. (Zool.) aestivating; (Bot.) arrangement of petals in flower-bud before expansion. [f. prec., see -ATION]

aetât'is, **aet'ât.**, **aet.** Of or at the age of (*aet.* 17); *anno ~ suae* —, in the —th year of his age. [L]

aetiôl'ogý, n. Assignment of a cause; philosophy of causation; (Med.) science of the causes of disease. So **aetiôl'ôgical** a., **aetiôl'ôgicaly** adv. [f. L f. Gk *aitiologia* (*aitia* cause, see -LOGY)]

af-, pref. = **AD-** before f.

afar, adv. At, to, a distance (usu. ~ off; from ~, from a distance). [f. OE *feor* FAR adv., with prepp. OF, ON]

aff'able, a. Easy of address, courteous, complaisant. Hence or cogn. **affabil'ity** n., **aff'ably** adv. [F, f. L *affabilis* f. *affari* speak, see -BLE]

affair, n. Thing to be done; concern, business, matter, as *that is my ~*; (pl.) ordinary pursuits of life; ~ of honour, duel; colloq., of material things a *gorgeous* etc. ~. [f. OF *affaire* (*à faire* to do), cf. ADO]

affaire (*de cœur*) (see Ap.), n. Love affair. [F]

affect², v.t. Practise, use, as ~ a costume; (of things) tend to assume (form, shape, etc.); assume (character), as ~ the free-thinker; pretend to have or feel (in-difference etc.); pretend (to do). [f. F *affecter* f. L *affectare* aim at, pretend to have, frequent. of *afficere* *sect-* = *facere* do]

affect³, v.t. Attack (as disease); move, touch, (in mind), whence ~ingly² adv.; produce (material) effect on; (pass.,

arch.) be assigned, allotted, (to particular service etc.). [(perh. thr. F) f. L *afficere* attach to (see prec.)]

aff'ect¹, n. (psych.). Feeling, emotion, desire. [f. L *affectus* disposition f. *afficere* (prec.)]

affectâ'tion, n. Studied display of; artificiality of manner; pretence; (rare) declared occupation or employment (*all ships, whatever their ~*). [f. L *affectatio* pursuit after (as **AFFECT**¹, see -ATION)]

affec'téd, a. Artificially assumed or displayed; pretended; (of persons) full of affectation, artificial, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.; (with adv.) disposed, inclined, (*towards* or abs.); attacked (as by disease); moved in the feelings; acted upon physically. [**AFFECT**¹, + **ED**]

affec'tion, n. Affecting; mental state, emotion, whence ~AL a.; disposition (*towards*); goodwill, love, (*towards*); bodily state due to any influence; malady, disease; mode of being; property, quality, attribute. [F, f. L *affectionem* (as **AFFECT**², see -ION)]

affec'tionate (-shon-), a. Loving; fond; (of things) showing love or tenderness. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [Latinized f. F *affectionné*]

affec'tive, a. Pertaining to the affections, emotional. [F (-if-, -ive), f. med. L *affectivus* (as **AFFECT**², see -IVE)]

aff'erent, a. Conducting inwards or towards, as ~ nerves, ~ vessels. [f. L *afferre* bring, see -BENT]

aff'ettuô'sô (-tô-), adv. (mus.). Feeling-ly. [It.]

aff'iance¹, n. Faith, trust (*in*); pledging of faith, esp. plighting of troth in marriage. [f. OF *afiance* f. *after* trust f. LL *affidare* (*fides* faith), see -ANCE]

aff'iance², v.t. Promise solemnly in marriage (usu. pass.). [f. OF *afiancer* f. *afiance*, see prec.]

affiche (áfêsh'), n. Notice-paper affixed to wall, poster. [F, f. *afficher* post up]

affidâv'it, n. Written statement, confirmed by oath, to be used as judicial proof. (Strictly, deponent *swears* an ~, judge *takes* it; but in pop. use deponent *makes* or *takes* it.) [L, = has stated on faith or oath, f. *affidare*, see **AFFIANCE**¹]

affil'iate, v.t. (Of an institution) adopt (persons as members, societies as branches); attach (persons, societies) to, connect (them) with, (a society); (Law) fix paternity of (illegitimate child on putative father) for purpose of maintenance; ascribe (child) to its parent; father (a thing) upon, trace (it) to. So **affilia'tion** n. [f. L *affiliare* adopt (*filius* son), see -ATE²]

affined¹ (-nd), a. Related, connected. [f. F *affiné* (*affin* f. L *affinis*, see foll.) + **ED**¹; no vb in F or E]

affin'ity, n. Relationship, relations, by marriage; relations, kindred, in general;

structural resemblance (between animals, plants, languages); (fig.) similarity of character suggesting relationship, family likeness; liking; attraction; (Chem.) tendency of certain elements to unite with others. [f. F *affinité* f. L *affinitatem* (AF-*finis* related, lit. bordering on, f. *finis* end, see -RY)]

affirm', v.t. & i. Assert strongly, aver; make formal declaration, (Law) make AFFIRMATION; (Logic, Gram.) state in the affirmative; (Law) confirm, ratify, (judgement). Hence ~ABLE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. OF *asferre* f. L *affirmare* (*firmus* strong)]

affirmā'tion, n. Affirming, esp. (Law) solemn declaration by person who conscientiously declines taking an oath. [F, f. L *affirmationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

affirm'ative, a. & n. Affirming, answering yes; (Logic) expressing agreement of the two terms of a proposition; *answer in the ~*, answer yes, say that a thing is so. Hence ~LY² (-vI-) adv. [F (-if-, -ive), f. L *affirmativus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

affix', v.t. Fix, fasten, (thing to, on); impress (seal, stamp); add in writing (signature, postscript); attach (censure, salary). ((perh. thr. MF *affixer*, occas. refash. of OF *afischer* F *afischer*) f. med. L *affigere* frequent. of L *affigere* fix-fix)]

aff'ix', n. Appendage, addition; (Gram.) addition placed at the beginning or end of root, stem, or word, to modify its meaning. [f. F *affixe* f. L *affigere* (see prec.)]

affix'ture, n. Affixing. [f. AFFIX' after FIXTURE; correct form (on L) would be *affixure*]

affliāt'us, n. Communication of supernatural knowledge; divine impulse, poetic or other; inspiration. [L vbl n. f. AF(*flare* blow)]

afflict', v.t. Distress with bodily or mental suffering. [f. 14th-c. *afflict* adj., f. OF *afflit* f. L AF(*figere* flict-strike down)]

afflic'tion, n. Misery, distress; pain, calamity. So ~IVE a. [F, f. L *afflictionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

aff'luent' (-lōb-), a. Flowing freely, copious; abounding (esp. in riches), wealthy. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ently² adv. [F, f. L AF(*fluere* flux-flow), see -ENT]

aff'luent' (-lōb-), n. Tributary stream. [f. prec., prob. after F]

aff'lux, n. Flow towards a point, esp. of humours; accession. [f. med. L *affluarus* -ds, vbl n. as AFFLUENT²]

afford', v.t. (With *can*) have the means, be rich enough, (to do), manage to spare; furnish, bestow; (of things) yield supply of. [OE *geforðian* (ge- pref. implying completeness + *forðian* advance f. *forð* forward); *ge-* was reduced to *a-*, which was corrupted to *af-* after L (see AD-)]

affo'rest, v.t. Convert into forest or hunting-ground. So ~ATION n. [f. med. L *afforestare* (*foresta* FOREST)]

affrān'chise (-z), v.t. Free from servitude or obligation. [f. F *affranchies*-lengthened st. of *affranchir* (à to + *franchir* free f. *franc*, see FRANK²)]

affray', n. Breach of the peace, caused by fighting or riot in a public place. [f. OF *effrei* f. *esfreer*, vb f. LL *exfridare* (LL *fridus* f. Teut. *fridhu*, OE *fridh*, peace); cf. AFRAID]

affreight'ment (-rāt-), n. The chartering of a ship to carry cargo (usu. *contract of ~*). [f. F *affreter* to charter]

affright' (-it), v.t. (arch.). Frighten. [late formation on FRIGHT v., partly due to obs. *affright* p.p. of OE *afryhtan* (a- intensive)]

affright' (-it), n. (arch.). Alarm, terror. [f. prec.]

affront' (-ünt), v.t. Insult openly; put to the blush, offend the modesty or self-respect of; face, confront. [f. OF *afronter* slap in the face, insult, f. LL *affrontare* (*frons* -tis face)]

affront' (-ünt), n. Open insult, as *put ~ upon*, *offer an ~ to*, *feel it an ~*. [f. prec.]

affu'sion (-zhn), n. Pouring on, esp. of water on the body in one kind of baptism; (Med.) pouring of water, usually 50° to 70° Fahr., upon fever patients. [f. L AF(*fundere* fus-pour), see -ION]

Afghan (āf'gān), n. Native, language, of ~istan; (a~) knitted woollen coverlet.

afield', adv. On or in the field (esp. of labour or battle); to the field; away from home, at a distance, as *far ~*. [A prep.]

afire', adv. & pred. a. On fire (lit. & fig.). [A prep.]

aflake', adv. & pred. a. In flame, in a glow of light, (lit. & fig.). [A prep.]

afloat', adv. & pred. a. In a floating condition; at sea, on board ship, in naval service; full of water; floating in the air; out of debt, paying one's way; in full swing; in general circulation, current; (Commerce.) in currency as negotiable document; unsettled, adrift. [OE *on fote* (ON prep. + FLOAT n.)]

à fond (see Ap.), adv. Thoroughly, fully. [F] **afōot'**, adv. & pred. a. On one's own feet; astrid, on the move; in operation or employment. [A prep.]

afōre', adv. & prep. (Naut.) in front, in front of, as ~ the mast; (arch.) previously. [f. OE *on foran* (on prep. + *foran*, adv., in front, dat. of *for*, which was used as noun or adj.)]

afōre' in comb. Before, previously, as ~cited, ~going, ~named, ~said, ~thought, premeditated, as *malice ~thought*; ~time, previously. [prec.]

à fortior', adv. With stronger reason, more conclusively. [L]

afraid', pred. a. Alarmed, frightened, (abs. or of); ~ (of the consequences, & therefore unwilling) to do a thing, ~ of a thing's happening, ~ lest it should happen, ~ (that) it will happen; I'm ~ (colloq.), I have to admit with regret

(*I'm ~ I'm late; I'm ~ there's none left*). [p.p. of obs. vb *af fray* f. OF *cafreer*, see *AFFRAY*]

af'reet, -rit, -rite, (-rôt), n. Evil demon in Mohammedan mythology. [Arab. 'ifrî']

afresh', adv. Anew, with fresh beginning. [A- (s) + *FRESH*]

African (âf-), a. & n. (Native) of Africa. Hence ~ISM (4) n., ~TEE (3) v.t.

Afrikaans' (âf-; -ahns), n. S.-African or Cape Dutch. [= Du. *Afrikaansch*]

Afrikan' (dier (âf-), n. & a. Native of S. Africa born of European (esp. Dutch) settlers; ~ *Bond*, organization for furtherance of ~ interests & ultimate formation of United States of S. Africa. [(perh. f. S.-African Du. *Afrikaander*) f. Du. *Afrikaner* n. African, altered on *Englander* &c.]

aft (ahft), adv. (naut.). In or near stern of ship; towards the stern; *fore & ~*, from stern to stern, lengthwise (also as adj. f. & ~). [OE *æftan* cogn. w. Goth. *aftana* from behind, f. *afta* behind (af off + -ta superl. suf.); *after, aft*, are orig. compar. & superl.]

after¹ (ah-), adv., prep., & conj. 1. adv. Behind in place, later in time, (*Jill came tumbling ~*; *look before & ~*; *soon, a week, ~*). 2. prep. In pursuit or quest of, as *run, inquire, ~ him*; about, concerning, as *look ~ him*, take care of, keep an eye on, him; for, as *hanker ~*; following in point of time, later than, (~ *you*, formula in yielding precedence; ~ *you with*, colloq. request for next turn at; ~ *six months*, when six months have or had elapsed); in view of, as ~ *such behaviour*; next in importance to; according to (~ *a fashion*; ~ *one's own heart*, such as one loves); in imitation of (person), as *a picture ~ Rubens*; in allusion to, as *named ~*; ~ *all*, in spite of all that has happened or has been said etc. (~ *all, what does it matter?*) or of one's exertions, expectations, etc. (*he tried for an hour & failed ~ all*; *so you have come ~ all* f.). 3. conj. In, at, the time subsequent to that at which, as ~ *he went, goes, has gone, had gone*. [OE *after* (af off + compar. suf. -ter) cogn. w. OHG *after*, Gk *apôterô*; cf. *prec.*]

after² (ah-), a. Later, following, as ~ *years*; (Naut.) hinder, posterior, as ~ *cabin, masts*. [f. *prec.*]

afterbirth, n. Membrane enveloping the foetus in the womb, so called because its extrusion follows that of the infant. [AFTER a.]

after-care, n. Attention bestowed on an individual or class after a certain period of treatment etc.; freq. attrib., as ~ *association*. [AFTER a.]

afterdamp, n. Choke-damp, gas left in mine after explosion of fire-damp. [AFTER a.]

afterglow, n. Glow in the West after sunset. [AFTER a.]

after-grass, n. Grass that grows after first crop has been mown for hay, or among stubble after harvest. [AFTER a.]

aftermath, n. After-grass; (fig.) consequences, fruits, results, as *the ~ of war*. [AFTER a. + *math* mowing, OE *math* f. OTeut. root *mæ* mow]

aftermost (ah-), a. (naut.). Nearest the stern, most aft. [OE *æftemest*, a treble superl. of *af* off with compar. suf. inserted, *af + le (r) + me + st*]

afternoon', n. The time from noon to evening, as *in, during, the ~, on Wednesday ~*, (fig.) *the ~ of life*. [AFTER prep.]

afterpiece, n. Farce or smaller entertainment after a play. [AFTER a.]

afterthought, n. Reflection after the act; later expedient or explanation. [AFTER a. or adv.]

afterwards (ah-; -z), adv. Later, subsequently. [OE *æftanweard*, a. *æftan* AFT + *ward*, corrupted in OE to *æfterweard*, + adv. genit. suf. -es]

ag-, pref. = AD- before *g*.

aga (âg'a, agah'), n. Commander, chief officer in Mohammedan countries. [Turk. *agha* master]

again' (or agén'), adv. Another time, once more; ~ & ~, *time & ~*; repeatedly; *ever & ~*, *now & ~*, occasionally; *as much ~*, twice as much; *half as much ~*, one-&-a-half times as much; further, besides; on the other hand, as *these ~ are more expensive*; *back ~* (to the original position or condition); in return, as *answer ~*; in response, as *rocks echoed ~*, *glasses rang ~*; proportionately to specified act or condition, as *the loaded table groaned ~*. [OE *agædān*, *ongægn* (on in + *gagn* opposite), cf. G *entgegen*; 12th-c. *againes* (see -es) became *against* by confus. w. superlatives]

against' (or agénst'), prep. & conj. 1. In opposition to, as *fight ~*, *I am ~ reform*; in contrast to, as ~ *a dark background*; in anticipation of, as ~ *his coming*, ~ *a rainy day*; in preparation for, as *warned ~ pickpockets*; into collision with, as *ran ~ a rock*, (colloq.) *ran ~* (chanced to meet) *a friend*; opposite to, as ~ *the horsepond* (usu. *over ~*). 2. conj. (arch.). By the time that (*be ready ~ he comes*). [see *prec.*]

âg'ama, n. African & Indian lizard of the iguana type. [Carib]

âg'ami, n. Tropical American bird, the Trumpeter. [native name in Guiana]

agām'ic, a. (zool.). Characterized by absence of sexual action. [as foll. + -ic]

âgamol'gên'esis, n. Asexual reproduction. So ~ *gênét'ic* a., ~ *gênét'ically* adv. [as foll. + *genesis* birth]

âg'amous, a. (biol.). Without (distinguishable) sexual organs. [f. L f. Gk *agamos* (a- not + *gamos* marriage) + -ous]

agâpe', adv. & pred. a. On the gape; open-mouthed with wonder or expectation. [A prep.]

äg'apë¹, n. Love-feast held by early Christians in connexion with Lord's Supper. [Gk. = brotherly love]

Agapemon¹ (ägäpëm'om), n. Love-abode (usu. with sinister implication). Hence ~**trë¹** n. & a., (member) of a sect or association founded in Somerset c. 1850, pop. believed to practise free love. [Irreg. f. Gk *agapë* love + *monë* abode]

äg'är(-äg'är), n. Solidifying agent in culture-media for bacteria prepared from certain seaweeds. [Malay]

äg'aric (or agä¹), n. Mushroom; name of various fungi. [f. L f. Gk *agarikon* perh. f. a place *Agaria*]

agäs'tric, a. (zool.). Without distinct alimentary canal. [f. Gk *a-* not + *gaster* -*trös* belly]

äg'ate, n. Name of several varieties of precious stone (semipellucid variegated chalcedonies); burnishing instrument of gold-wiredrawers; *the printing-type called in England *ruby*. [f. F *agate* (16th-c.) f. It. *agata* f. L f. Gk *akhalës agate*]

Agäv'e, n. (bot.). Genus of plants including American Aloe. [f. L f. Gk *Agavë*, prop. name in myth.]

agäze¹, adv. On the gaze. [A prep.]

äge¹, n. Length of life or of existence; *Moon's ~*, time elapsed since new moon; duration of life required for a purpose, as *come of ~*, *full ~* (In Eng. Law, 21 years), *~ of discretion* (14), *over ~*; latter part of life, as *peevishness of ~*, *~ before honesty*, children must give precedence to their elders; a generation; **BRAZEN¹** etc. ~; (Hist., Geol.) great period, as *Patriarchal A~*, *Ice A~*; (colloq.) long time, as *waiting for ~s*. [f. OF *aage*, *edage*, f. LL *+aetaticum* f. *aetas* -*atis* contraction of *aevitas* (aevum an age); see -AGE]

äge¹, v.t. & i. (part. *aging*). (Cause to) grow old. [f. prec.]

-age, suf. OF f. LL *-aticum* 'belongings' neut. of adj. suf. *-aticus* -*ATIC* (med. L *-agium* is readopted f. F, e.g. *homagium* f. *hommage* instead of *hominaticum*); afterwards added as living suf. in F & in E. Meaning: (1) collective belongings or aggregate of (cellarage); (2) function, condition, (baronage, bondage); (3) action (breakage); (4) fees payable for, cost of using, (cartage, demurrage).

aged, a. 1. (ä¹'d). Having lived long, old. 2. (ä¹'d). Of the age of, as *~ ten*; (of horses) over six years old. Hence **ä'gëd-NES** n. [f. AGE v. + -ED¹]

äge'lëss (-j¹-), a. Never growing old. [AGE n. + -LESS]

ä'gëncy, n. Active operation, action, as *moral*, *free*, ~; instrumentality, as *by the ~ of*; action personified, as *an invisible ~* (Commerce), office of agent; establishment for business purposes, as *Reuter's A~*. [f. med. L *agentia* (L *agere* do, see -ENCE)]

ägën'da, n. Things to be done, items of business to be considered at a meeting; memorandum book. [L, neut. pl. of gerundive of *agere* do]

ä'gent, n. One who exerts power or produces an effect; (of things) efficient cause; a natural force acting on matter, as *chemical ~*; one who does the actual work, esp. one who represents a person or firm in business (*who is your ~ in Paris?*). So **ägën'tial** (-sh¹) a. [as ACT¹, -ENT]

agent provocateur (see Ap.), n. Person employed to detect suspected offenders by tempting them to overt action. [F]

agglöm'erläte¹, v.t. & i. Collect into a mass. Hence ~**'TION** n., ~**ÄTIVE** a. [f. L *agglomerare* (glomus -*meris* ball), see -ATE¹]

agglöm'eräte¹, a. & n. (Collected into) a mass; (Geol.) mass of volcanic fragments united under heat, opp. to *conglomerate*. [as prec., see -ATE¹]

agglut'inäte¹ (-löt¹), a. Glued together; consisting of simple words combined into compounds without change of form or loss of meaning. [f. L *agglutinare* (gluten -*finis* glue) see -ATE¹]

agglut'inläte¹ (-löt¹), v.t. & i. Unite as with glue; combine simple words to express compound ideas; (t. & i.) turn into glue. Hence ~**'TION** n., ~**ÄTIVE** a. [as prec., see -ATE¹]

ägg'randize, v.t. Increase the power, rank, wealth, of (person, State); exaggerate, embellish. Hence **ägg'rän'dize-MENT** (-zm-) n. [f. F *agrandir* (st. -*isse*) prob. f. It. AG(*grandire* f. L *grandis* large)]

ägg'ravläte, v.t. Increase the gravity of (burden, offence, etc.); (colloq.) exasperate (person). So ~**'TION** n. [f. L *aggravare* make heavy (*gravis*), see -ATE¹; (replacing obs. *aggrege* f. OF *aggreger* f. LL *+aggreviare*)]

ägg'régate¹, a. & n. 1. Collected into one body; collective, total; (Law) composed of associated individuals, as *corporation ~*. 2. n. Sum total; assemblage; broken stone etc. used in making concrete; (Phys.) mass of homogeneous particles; in the ~, as a whole. [f. L *aggregare* unite in a flock (*grex gregis*)]

ägg'régläte¹, v.t. & i. Collect together; (trans.) unite (individual to company); amount to (specified total). Hence ~**'TION** n., ~**ÄTIVE** a. [f. prec.]

aggrëss¹, v.i. (rare). Begin a (or the) quarrel. So ~**ION** (-shn), ~**OR¹**, nn. [f. F *aggresser* f. LL *aggressare* frequent. of AG(*gredi gress* - *gradi* step)]

aggrëss'ive, a. & n. Of attack; offensive; disposed to attack; *assume the ~*, begin the quarrel. Hence ~**LY¹** (-v¹) adv., ~**NES** (-vn-) n. [as prec., see -IVE]

aggrieve¹, v.t. Grieve, distress, oppress, (usu. pass.). [f. OF *aggrever* as AGGRAVATE]

aghaat¹ (-gahst, -gäst), a. Terrified; struck with amazement. [p.p. of obs. vb *agast* (A- (l) + *gasten*, OE *gæstan*, alarm)]

á'gile, a. Quick-moving, nimble, active. Hence or cogn. **agil'ity** n., ~LY² (-l-i) adv. [F, f. L *agilis* (*agere* do)]

á'glo, n. Percentage charged on exchange of paper-money into cash, or of one currency into another more valuable; excess value of one currency over another; exchange business. [It., = *ease*]

á'giotage, n. Exchange business; speculation in stocks; stock-jobbing. [F, f. *agioler* (prec. + connecting -i-); see -AGE] **agist'**, v.t. Take in live stock to feed; charge (land or its owner) with a public burden. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *agister* (á to + *gister* f. L *jacitare* frequent. of *jacere* lie)]

á'gitate, v.t. Move, shake; disturb, excite, (feelings, persons); revolve mentally, discuss, debate, (plans etc.); (abs.) keep up an agitation (*for*). [f. L *agitare* move to & fro, frequent. of *agere* drive, see -ATE²]

á'gitá'tion, n. Moving, shaking; commotion, disturbance, (mental or physical); debate, discussion; keeping of a matter constantly before the public; public excitement. [F, f. L *agitationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

á'gita'tion (-tah-), adv. (mus.). In an agitated manner. [It.]

á'gitátor, n. One who agitates, esp. politically; apparatus for shaking or mixing. [L (see AGITATE & -OR²)]

á'g'let, **ag'let**, n. Metal tag of a lace; spangle or other metallic ornament of dress; tagged point hanging from shoulder upon breast of some uniforms (usu. *aiguillette*); catkin of hazel, birch, etc. [f. F *aiguillette* dim. of *aiguille* needle f. L *aculeus* = *aculea* dim. of *acus* needle]

agley' (-è), adv. (Sc.). Askew, awry. [A prop. + Sc. *gley* squint]

aglow' (-ò), adv. & pred. a. In a glow. [A prep.]

á'g'nail, n. Torn skin at root of finger-nail; (formerly) corn on toe or foot. [OE *angneagl* f. *ang-* (Goth. *aggvus*) tight, painful, + *nagl* (Goth. *naþle*) nail (of iron etc.), hard excrescence fixed in the flesh; mod. sense, & forus *hang-nail*, (Sc.) *anger-nail*, result from false etym., *nail* being taken as finger-nail]

á'g'náte, n. & a. (One who is) descended by male links (also, by male or female links) from same male ancestor; sprung from same forefather, of same clan or nation; (fig.) akin, of same nature. So **á'gnát'io** a., **á'gná'tion** n. [f. F *agnat* f. L *agnatus* related by father's side (ad to + *gnatus* born p.p. of (*gnasci* f. stem *gen-* beget)]

á'gnóm'én, n. A fourth name occasionally assumed by Romans; (loosely) nickname. [L (ad to + (*gnomen* name)]

á'gnó'stic, n. & a. 1. One who holds that nothing is known, or likely to be known,

of the existence of a God or of anything beyond material phenomena. 2. adj. Pertaining to this theory. Hence ~ISM n. [f. Gk *agnóstos* unknown (a- not + *gnó-* know); see -IO]

Ag'nus Cás'tus (á-), n. Tree once held a preservative of chastity. [L, f. Gk *agnos* (name of tree), confused w. *hagnos* chaste, whence L *castus* is added]

Ag'nus Dē'i (á-), n. Part of Mass beginning *Agnus Dei*; figure of lamb bearing cross or flag; cake of wax stamped with such figure & blessed by Pope. [L, = lamb of God]

agō', a. & adv. (Adj., always following noun) past, gone by, as *ten years* ~; (adv.) *long* ~, long since. [orig. *agone* p.p. of obs. vb *ago* (A- forth + go)]

agōg', adv. & pred. a. On the move, eager, expectant. [perh. f. OF *en gogues* (*gogue* fun, etym. dub.)]

agōn'ic, a. Making no angle; ~ *line*, line of no magnetic variation. [f. Gk *agónios* without angle (a- not + *gónia* angle) + -IO]

ágonis'tic, a. Pertaining to athletic contests (esp. of Ancient Greece); (Rhet.) polemic, combative; strained, aiming at effect. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. Gk *agónistikos* pertaining to a combatant, *agónistēs*, in the games (*agones* f. *agō* lead, bring)]

á'g'oniz'e, v.t. & i. Torture; suffer agony, writhe in anguish; contend in arena, wrestle (lit. & fig.); make desperate efforts for effect. Hence ~ing'ly² adv. [f. med. L *agonizare* f. Gk *agónizomai* contend (*agōn*, see prec.)]

á'g'on'y, n. Mental anguish; ~ *column* (in newspaper), column of advertisements for missing friends etc.; paroxysm of pleasure; pangs of death; extreme bodily suffering; struggle. [prob. formed by Wyclif on Vulgate L *agonia* f. Gk *agōnia* contest, anguish; see AGONISTIC]

á'goraphób'ia, n. Morbid dread of public places. [Gk *agora* assembly, -PHOBIA]

agou'ti, -tý, (-gō-), n. Genus of rodents of Cavy or Guinea-pig family, esp. a hare-like animal of W. Indies. [(thr. F) f. native Ind. *aguti*]

á'grá'r'ian, a. & n. 1. Relating to landed property; ~ *outrage* (arising from discord between landlords & tenants); relating to cultivated land. 2. n. Advocate of redistribution of landed property, whence ~ISM n., ~IZE v.t. & i. [f. L *agrarius* (*ager* agri land, see -ARY¹) + -AN]

agree', v.i. & t. Consent (to proposal, statement, to do); concur (with person *that*); become, be, in harmony (with person); (pl.) ~ *together*, cannot ~, get on with one another; suit the constitution of, as *work*, *lobster*, does not ~ *with him*; (Gram.) take some number, gender, case, person; (trans.) bring (balance, items of accounts) into harmony. [f. OF *agréer* f. LL ⁺*aggrare* make agreeable (*gratus*)]

agree'able (-iabl), a. Pleasing (to or abs.); (colloq., of persons) well-disposed (to a thing, to do, or abs.); conformable to, as *~le to all experience*. Hence *~leness* n., *~ly* adv. [f. F *agréable* (*agréer* AGREE, see -ABLE)]

agree'ment, n. Mutual understanding, covenant, treaty; (Law) contract legally binding on parties; accordance in opinion; (Gram.) concord in gender, number, case, person. [OF (*agreer* AGREE, see -MENT)]

agreements (agrā'mahñ), n. pl. Agreeable qualities or surroundings; (Mus.) ornamental notes embellishing a melody. [F]

agrés'tic, a. Rural, rustic; uncouth. [f. L *agrestis* (ager field) + -IO]

āgr'iculture, n. Cultivation of the soil. Hence **āgricū'l'tural** (-cher-) a., **āgricū'l'tur(al)ist** (-cher-) nn. [(prob. thr. 17th-c. F) f. L *agricultura* (ager agri field + cultura CULTURE)]

āgr'imōny, n. Kinds of plants, esp. *Agrimonia Eupatoria*, with small yellow flowers. [f. L *agrimonia* perh. f. Gk *argemōnē*, etym. dub.]

āgr'imōtor, n. Agricultural motor tractor. [f. L *ager agri* field + MOTOR]

agrōn'om'y, n. Rural economy, husbandry. So **āgrōnōm'ic(al)** aa., **āgrōnōm'ics**, ~IST, nn. [f. Gk *agronomos* overseer of land (*agros* land + *nomos* f. *nemō* dispense), see -Y¹]

aground, adv. & pred. a. Upon the bottom of shallow water, as *be, run, ~* (of ships). [A prep.]

āg'ūe, n. Malarial fever, with cold, hot, & sweating stages; shivering fit; quaking (lit. & fig.); *~cake*, enlargement of spleen or liver caused by ~. Hence **āg'ūed**¹ (-ūd) a. [OF, f. L *acuta* sharp]

āg'ūish, a. Of the nature of *ague*; tending to produce *ague*; subject to *ague*; *ague-like*, quaking; coming by fits & starts. Hence *~ly*² adv. [f. prec. + -ISH¹]

ah, int. expr. sorrow, regret, surprise, admiration, ontreaty, remonstrance, dislike, contempt, mockery. [not in OE; ME has *a*, perh. f. OF *a*, *ah*]

aha¹ (ahhah'), int. expr. surprise, triumph, mockery, irony. [f. AH + HA¹; formerly written *a ha*]

aha², n. See HA-HA n.

ahead (ahēd'), adv. & pred. a. In advance; in the direct line of one's forward motion, as *breakers ~*; straight forwards; forward at a rapid pace, as *go ~*; in advance of (lit. & fig.). [A prep.]

ahcap (a-hēp'), adv. In a heap, all of a heap. [A prep.]

ahēm' (a-h-), int. used to attract attention or gain time. [lengthened form of *hem*]

ahoy' (a-h-), int. Nautical call used in hailing. [obs. a int. + HOY¹]

Ah'rīman. See ZOROASTRIAN.

ā hūs clos (ah wē klō), adv. With closed doors, in private. [F]

ahūll' (a-h-), adv. (naut.). With sails taken in & helm lashed on lee side. [A prep. + HULL¹]

ai (ah't), n. Three-toed Sloth of S. America. [f. Braz. *ai*, repr. its cry]

aihlin. See ABLINGS.

aid¹, v.t. Help (person to do, or abs.); promote (recovery etc.). [f. OF *aider* f. L *adjuvare* frequent. of *ADJUARE* *jut*]

aid², n. Help; (Law) help claimed by defendant from one who has joint-interest; (Hist.) grant of subsidy or tax to king, (later) exchequer loan; helper; material source of help (usu. pl.), as *~s & appliances*. [f. OF *aide*, *atude* (Prov. *ajuda*) f. LL *adjuta*, fem. p.p. of *adjuvare* **AID**¹ used as n.]

aide (ād), n. = foll. [abbr.]

aide-de-camp (ād'ekong, & see Ap.), n. (pl. *aides-de-camp* pron. ād'ekongz). Officer assisting general by carrying orders etc. [F]

aide-mémoire (ād'māmwehr), n. (Book, document, serving as) an aid to the memory (esp. in diplomatic use). [F, f. *aider* to help + *mémoire* memory]

aig'rétte, n. Lesser White Heron (usu. EGRET); tuft of feathers or hair; spray of gems etc. [F, dim. f. OHG *heigr* heron]

aig'uille (-gw-), n. Sharp peak of rock, esp. in Alps. Hence *~esque* a. [F, see AGLET]

aiguillette (āgwilēt'), n. See AGLET.

ail, v.t. & i. Trouble, afflict, as *what ~s him?*; be ill. Hence **ail'ment** n. [f. OE *eplan* (oogn. w. Goth. *agljan*) f. *eple* troublesome (Goth. *aglus*)]

ail'erōn, n. (usu. pl.). Lateral-control flap(s) at rear of aeroplane's wingtip(s). [F]

aim¹, v.t. & i. Direct (blow, missile, *at*); point (gun etc.) towards (*at*); direct an act or proceeding against (*at*); (intr.) deliver blow, discharge missile, (*at*); take aim (abs.); form designs (abs.). [prob. f. two vbs (1) Picard. *amer*, OF & Prov. *esmer*, f. L *aestimare* reckon, (2) OF *aesmer* f. LL *adaestimare*; ME sense was *estimate*]

aim², n. Direction of a missile at an object, as *take ~*; design, purpose, object, whence **aim'less** a., **aim'lessly**² adv., **aim'lessness** n. [f. prec.]

ainé (ān'ā), n. Elder son (of CADÉT²). [F]

air¹, n. 1. Gaseous substance enveloping earth, mixture of oxygen & nitrogen, breathed by all land animals; atmosphere; free space overhead, as *birds of the ~*; unconfined space, as *open ~*; *fresh ~*, also simply *~*, *~* not exhausted of its oxygen; breeze, light wind; *take ~*, become known; (of projects etc.) *quite in the ~* (uncertain); (of opinions, feelings) *in the ~*, spreading about; *cattles in the ~*, visionary projects; **give person the ~* (sl.), dismiss him; on the *~*, broadcast(ing) by wireless. 2. Appearance, as *on ~ of absurdity*; *mien*, gesture,

as with a triumphant ~; affected manner (esp. in pl.), as gave himself ~s, ~s & graces; (Mus.) melody, tune, esp., in harmonized composition, predominant (usu. soprano) part. 3. Comb.: ~balloon, inflated toy; ~bed, inflated mattress; ~bladder, one filled with ~, in animals or plants; ~borne: transported by ~; specially picked & trained for ~ operations, as an ~borne division; (of ~craft) in the ~, having taken off, as the squadron was soon ~borne; ~brake (worked by ~ pressure); ~brick (perforated for ventilation); ~chamber (in hydraulic machines, for equalizing pressure); Air Chief Marshal, Air Commodore, see Air Force; ~conditioned, (of a room, building, etc.) having the ~ in it washed & brought to standard humidity & temperature; ~cooled (by a current of cool ~); ~craft, aeroplane(s), ~ship(s), & balloon(s); ~craft carrier, ship that carries & serves as a base for aeroplanes; ~craftman, see Air Force; ~craftswoman, lowest rank in Women's Auxiliary Air Force; ~crew (of an ~craft); ~cushion (inflated with ~); ~drome, aerodrome; ~engine (actuated by heated ~); ~field, aerodrome; Air Force (the Royal Air Force, abbr. R.A.F.), the ~craft service co-ordinate with Navy & Army, with officers as follows: Marshal of the R.A.F., Air Chief Marshal, Air Marshal, Air Vice-Marshal, Air Commodore, Group-Captain, Wing-Commander, Squadron-Leader, Flight-Lieutenant, Flying-Officer, Pilot-Officer; the non-commissioned ranks are warrant officer, flight-sergeant, sergeant, corporal, (leading) ~craftman, ~mechanic; ~frame, body of ~craft as dist. from engine(s); ~graph, system of transmitting letters etc. by ~mail in the form of microfilms to save space, letter etc. so transmitted; ~gun (using compressed ~ as propelling force); ~jacket (inflated, to support wearer in water); ~line, line of ~craft for public service; ~liner, large passenger ~craft; ~lock, stoppage of flow in pump etc., caused by ~; ~mail (carried by ~); ~man, one who flies in an ~craft, esp. as pilot or member of crew; Air Marshal, ~mechanic, see Air Force; ~minded, interested in aviation; ~plane, aeroplane; ~pocket, apparent vacuum in ~ causing ~craft to drop some distance; ~port, aerodrome, esp. one fully equipped, usu. with customs-house, at which passengers by ~ liners embark or disembark; ~pump (for exhausting a vessel of its ~); ~raid, attack by ~craft (freq. attrib., as ~raid precautions, warden, warning); ~screw, propeller of ~craft; ~ship, flying machine lighter than ~; ~speed, speed of ~craft relative to the ~ through which it is moving; ~strip, strip of ground used or usable for an ~field; ~thermometer (with ~

instead of mercury); ~threads, gossamer; ~tight impermeable to ~; Air Training Corps (formed in 1941 for youths aged 15-18; abbr. A.T.C.); ~umbrella, a force of ~craft used to give ~ protection to a military operation; ~way: ventilating passage in mine; route regularly followed by ~craft; ~worthy, (of ~craft) fit to fly; ~worthiness n. [1. OF f. L. *aerem*, nom. *aer* f. Gk *aēr* (aō breathe). 2. perh. developed f. 1 in F; taken by E f. F about 1600]

air¹, v.t. Expose to open air, ventilate; dry at fire; (refl.) go out into fresh air; parade (qualities, grievances, theories, fine clothes). [f. prec.]

Aire/dāle (ārd-), n. Large rough-coated terrier. (place in Yorks.)

air'less, a. Stuff; breezeless, still. [AIR¹ + -LESS]

air'y, a. Aerial, lofty; breezy; immaterial; of thin texture; light in movement; sprightly; graceful, delicate; unsubstantial; superficial, flippant. Hence air'ily² adv., air'iness n. [AIR¹ + -Y²]

aisle (il), n. Division of church, esp. one parallel to & divided by pillars from the nave, choir, or transept; passage between rows of pews. Hence aisle'd² (ild) a. [f. OF *ele* f. L. *ala*, contr. of *axilla* wing; confused in E with *ile* island, refash. with this as *isle*, & again modified to *aisle* after F refash. *aile* (on L *axilla*); the F spelling *aile* (after mod. L *ascella* = L *axilla*) is mere coincidence; sense passage from confus. of L *ala* w. OF *allée* ALLEY]

|| ait (ät), n. Small isle, esp. in a river. [perh. f. OE *iggaþ*, *iggeoth*; *cuet*, *eyot*, aro artificial spillings on *iet* & F *ilot*]

aitch, n. = ACHT².

|| aitch'bone, n. (Cut of beef lying over) buttock or rump bone. [ME *nage* f. OF *narhe*, *nage*, f. LL *natica*, adj. (L *natis* buttock) + BONE¹; for loss of n (*u nage* becoming *an age*), cf. ADVER; pop. etym. gives H-, ice-, edge-, bone]

ajar¹, adv. (Of doors) slightly open. [A prep. + *char* (OE *cyr* a turn)]

ajar², adv. In a jarring state. [A prep. + JAR² n.]

ajutage. See ADJUTAGE.

akim'bō, adv. (Of the arms) with hands on hips & elbows turned outwards. [etym. dub.]

akin', pred. a. Related by blood; (fig.) of similar or kindred character. [A prep.] -al, suf. 1. Adj. f. L. *-alis* (adj. suff. varying w. -aris -AR¹ by dissim. f. prec. syllable, as *regularis* but *generalis*) direct or through F -el (since corrected to -al in E); now appended freely to L nouns (*cordial*), Gk nouns (*colossal*), L adj. (*individual*), & Gk adj. in -kos, -oidēs, (*comical*, *rhomboidal*); -ical indicates vaguer connexion w. the orig. n. than -ic (*comic paper*, *comical story*), cf. -ACAL; other suff. are sometimes appended, as

generality, centralize. 2. Nouns f. L *-alia*, *-al*, *-ales*, *-alia*, parts of above used as nouns (*rival*, *animal*, *annals*, *Saturnalia*), with new imitations (*cardinal*, *regimentals*). *-alia* became in F *-aille*, in E *-aille*, *-all*, *-al* (L *sponsalia*, OF *espousaille*, E *spousaille* now *espousal*), the last now freely imitated to form vbl nn. (*reprial*, *rectal*, *bestowal*), partly on false anal. of BRIDAL, BURIAL.

à la (ah lah), prep. After the manner of, as *à la Russe*, *à la Reform*. [F, for *à la mode*]

àl'abaster (-bah-), n. & a. 1. Name of several varieties of carbonate or sulphate of lime; (Min.) massive fine-grained sulphate of lime (*Modern*, *Gypseous*, A~), as distinct from the carbonates used by the ancients for holding unguents (*Oriental*, *Calcareous*, A~); box made of ~. 2. adj. Of ~, like ~ in whiteness or smoothness. So *àlabas'trine*¹ a. [f. OF *alabastre* f. L *alabaster* f. Gk *alabast(r)os*, etym. dub.]

à la carte (ah lah kãrt), adv. By the bill of fare. [F]

aläck', int. (arch.) expressing regret or surprise, esp. in phr. ~-a-day. [perh. f. a int. + *lak* LACK]

alac'rity, n. Briskness, cheerful readiness. [f. L *alacritas* (*alacer* brisk, see -TY)]

Alädd'in's lämp, n. Talisman enabling holder to gratify any wish. [*Arabian Nights*]

äl'amöde, à la mode (ah lah möd), adv. & a. In the fashion, fashionable; ~ *beef*, piece of beef larded & stewed; ~ *silk* (also as n., *alumode*), a thin glossy black silk. [F (*à la mode*). = in the fashion]

äl'ar, a. Pertaining to wings; winglike, wing-shaped; (Bot. & Physiol.) axillary. [f. L *alaris* (*ala* wing, see -AR¹)]

älärm'¹, n. Call to arms; warning sound giving notice of danger; warning, as *give, take, the ~*: excited anticipation of danger; (Fencing) stamp on ground made with advancing foot; ~-post, place for troops to assemble at in case of ~; mechanism that sounds the ~ (usu. *ald'rum*); *alarum-clock*, one with apparatus that rings at appointed hour; *alar(w)s & excursions* (loc.), noise & bustle. [f. OF *alarne* f. It. *allarme* (all' arme! to arms); form *alarum* now only of ~-signal]

älärm'², v.t. Arouse to sense of danger; disturb; agitate, excite with fear. Hence *älärm'ingly*² adv. [f. prec.]

älärm'ist, n. One who raises alarms on slight grounds (often attrib., as *these ~ist reports*); panic-monger. So ~ISM n. [ALARM + -IST]

älä'rum, n. See ALARM n.

äl'arý, a. Pertaining to wings or wing-like parts. [f. L *alaris* (*ala* wing, see -AR¹)]

alas' (-ahs), int. expressing grief, pity, concern. [f. OF *ha las* (mod. F *hélas*) f.

ha sh + las *lasse* wretched f. L *lassus* weary]

Alas'tor (-ahs-), n. Avenging deity, nemesis. [Gk (*a-* not + *last-* f. *lath-* forget)]

äl'äte, älä'téd, a. Having wings or wing-like appendages. [f. L *alatus* (*ala* wing, see -ATE²)]

älb, n. White vestment reaching to feet, worn by priests, & by some consecrated kings. [f. LL *alba* (*tunica*) white (*tunic*)]

äl'bacöre, n. Large species of Tunny; other fish of same genus. [f. Port. *albacor* (F *albicore*, also used in E) f. Arab. *al* the + *bukr* young camel, heifer]

Albän'ian (äl-), a. & n. (hist.). (Native) of Scotland. [f. mod. L *Albania* Scotland (fr. *Alban* gen. of *Albu*)]

älbät'a, n. White metal, German silver. [f. L *albata* whitened (*albus* white)]

äl'batröss, n. Family of birds allied to Petrels, inhabiting Pacific & Southern Oceans; esp. *great A~*, largest of sea-fowls. [17th-c. *algatross*, perh. f. obs. *alcatras* Frigate-bird (f. Sp. & Port. *alcatraz* f. Arab. *alqadus* the bucket, Arab. name of Pelican, from its supposed water-carrying habit); -b- under influence of L *albus* white]

albé'it (awl-), conj. Though, as ~ *that he failed*, ~ *he failed, he tried ~ without success*. [= all though it be that]

äl'bert, n. (Also A~ *chain*) kind of watch-chain. [f. Prince *Albert* consort of Queen Victoria]

Albert Hall, in Kensington, used for concerts, demonstrations, etc. [as prec.]

älbës'cent, a. Growing white, shading into white. [f. L *albescere* (*albus* white), see -ANT]

Albigén'sés (äl-, -z), n. pl. Heretics of 12th-14th cc. in S. France. [L *Albiga* Albi in S. France, -ESE]

älbi'nö (-bë-), n. (pl. -ös). Human being marked by congenital absence of colouring pigment in skin & hair, which are white, & eyes, which are pink & unable to bear ordinary light; any animal so distinguished; plant lacking the normal colouring. Hence *älbi'ness*¹ (-bë-), *äl'biniism*, nn. [Port., orig. of white negroes, f. L *albus* white]

Äl'bion (äl-), n. (poet.). (Greek & Roman name for) Britain. [etym. dub., cf. L *albus* white]

äl'bite, n. White or soda feldspar. [f. L *albus* white + -ITE¹]

äl'bum, n. Book for insertion of autographs, photographs, etc. [L, neut. sing. of *albus* white]

älbü'm'jén, n. White of egg; a constituent of animal solids & fluids, of seeds, & of tuberos or fleshy roots, found nearly pure in white of egg; (Bot.) substance found between skin & embryo of many seeds, usu. the eatable part. Hence ~INOSIS, ~INOUS, aa. [L *albumen* -*minis* white of egg (*albus* white) see -MEN]

album'énize, v.t. (photog.). Coat (paper) with an albuminous solution. [prec. + -IZE]

album'inoid, a. & n. Like albumen; (n. pl.) proteins, class of organic compounds forming chief part of organs & tissues of animals & plants. Hence **albuminoid'** AL a. [f. ALBUMEN + -OID]

albuminur'ia, n. Presence of albumen in the urine, usu. as symptom of kidney disease. [ALBUMEN, URINE]

album'ium, n. Recently formed wood in exogenous trees, sap-wood. Hence ~ous a. [L *albumum* (albus white)]

|| **alcahest**. See ALKAHEST.

Alcá'ic (á-), a. & n. Pertaining to Alcaeus (Gk lyric poet, 600 B.C.), or to the metre he invented; (n. pl.) ~ strophes. [f. L f. Gk *Alkaios* (*Alkaios*)]

alcaide (ahkah'idá), n. Magistrate in Spanish, Portuguese, or Spanish-American town. [Sp., ult. f. Arab. *qádi* judge]

álchém'ic (-k-), a. Pertaining to alchemy. Hence ~AL (-k-) a., ~ALLY² (-k-) adv. [f. med. L *alchymicus* or F *alchimique*: see ALCHEMY and -IC]

ál'chemist (-k-), n. One who studies or practises alchemy. Hence **álchemis'tic** (-AL) (-k-) a. [f. OF *alquimiste*; see ALCHEMY and -IST]

ál'chemize (-k-), v.t. Change as by alchemy; transmute. [back-formation on prec.]

ál'chemy (-k-), n. Chemistry of the middle ages; esp., pursuit of the transmutation of baser metals into gold (also fig.). [f. OF *alquimie* f. med. L *alchimia* f. Arab. *al-kīmīa*, al the + *kīmīa*, apparently = *khemīa* (Gk form of native name of Egypt, but confused with Gk *khumeia* pouring f. *khu-* perf. st. of *kheō* pour, whence the spelling *alchemy*)]

ál'cohól, n. Pure spirit of wine; any liquor containing this; (Chem.) large class of compounds of same type as spirits of wine. Hence ~AL²(3) n., **ál'cohól'ic** a. [med. L, f. Arab. *al* the + *koh'l* powder for staining eyelids (*kahala* v. stain)]

ál'cohóliem, n. Action of alcohol on human system. [prec. + -ISM]

ál'cohól'ize, v.t. Saturate with alcohol; subject to alcoholic influence. Hence ~IZA'TION n. [ALCOHOL + -IZE]

álcohólóim'eter, n. Instrument for measuring alcoholic strength of spirits. Hence ~M'ETER n. [f. ALCOHOL + -o- + -METER]

Alcoran (álkorahn', álc), n. Koran, sacred Mohammedan book. Hence ~IC (-án-) a. [thr. F] f. Arab. *al-qur'an* the reading (*qara'a* v. read)]

ál'cove, n. Vaulted recess in room-wall, esp. (in Spain) recess for bed; recess in garden wall or hedge; summer-house. [F, f. Sp. *alcova*, -ba, f. Arab. *al-qubba* the vault (*qubba* v. vault)]

ál'déhýde, n. Colourless volatile fluid of suffocating smell, obtained by oxidation of alcohol; class of compounds of this type. Hence **áldéhýd'ic** a. [abbr. of L *alcohol dehydrogenatum* (deprived of hydrogen)]

ál'der (awl-), n. Tree related to Birch; other trees not related, as *Black*, *White*, *Red*, *A-*. [OE *alor*, *aler* (cf. ON *álr*, *elir*, OHG *elira*, mod. Gerle, *eller*) w. phonetic d]

ál'derman (awl-), n. Councillor in English & Irish cities & boroughs, next in dignity to Mayor. Hence ~IC (-mán-) a., ~SHIP n. [f. OE *aldor* patriarch (*ald* old + -or noun suf.) + -MAN]

ál'dermanry (awl-), n. Ward, district of a borough having its own alderman; rank of alderman. [prec. + -RY]

Al'derney (awl-), a. & n. 1. Of cattle bred in ~ in the Channel Islands; (pop.) of cattle bred in the Channel Islands. 2. n. Individual of either kind.

Al'dershót (awl-), n. (Used for) the permanent military camp at ~ in Hampshire.

Al'dine (awl-), a. Printed by Aldus Manutius, Venetian printer of 16th cent., who introduced italic type; name of certain style of type. [f. *Aldus* + -INE¹]

Al'dis (awl-), a. ~ lamp (for signalling); ~ lens (for hand cameras); ~ unit sight (for aircraft). [A. C. W. *Aldis*, inventor]

ále, n. Liquor made from an infusion of malt by fermentation, flavoured with hops etc.; || merry-making at which ~ was drunk; *alecost*, customary; ~house, one at which ~ is retailed; ~wife, woman who keeps an ~house; American fish allied to herring. [OE *ale*]

ál'eatóry, a. Depending on the throw of a die or on chance. [f. L *aleatorius* (aleator dice-player f. *alea* die)]

ále'cónner (álk-), n. (hist.). Inspector of ale & ale-measures (now a titular office only). [ALE + CON¹ + -ER¹]

alee, adv. & pred. a. On the lee or sheltered side of ship; to leeward. [f. ON *d* on + *hlé* shelter; see LEE]

ál'égar, n. Sour ale; malt vinegar. [f. AL² + egre = F *aigre* sour, on anal. of *vinegar*]

além'bic, n. Apparatus formerly used in distilling; also fig., as ~ of fancy. [f. F *alambic* f. Arab. *al* the + *ambig* still f. Gk *ambig-likos* cup; *lembeck*, *limbeck*, were usu. in 15th-17th cc.]

alé'tr, a. & n. 1. Watchful, vigilant; lively, nimble. 2. n. Warning call, alarm; (period of) air-raid warning; on the ~, on the look-out. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *alerte*, earlier *allerte*, à l'airte, f. It. *all'erta* (alla to the + *erta* look-out, watch-tower, fem. p.p. of *ergere* f. L *erigere* ERIGIT)]

aleur'on, **aleur'one**, (-litr-), n. Albuminoid substance found in seeds of plants etc. [Gk *aleuron* flour]

Alexān'drine (āl-), a. & n. ~ (*verse*), iambic line of six feet or twelve syllables. [f. *F. alexandrin*, of doubtful orig.]

alex'in, n. One of a class of substances found in blood serum capable of destroying bacteria. [G. f. Gk *alexō* ward off, -IN.]

alexiphar'mic, a. & n. (Having the quality of) an antidote. [earlier -ac f. *F. alexipharmaque* f. Gk *alexipharmakon* remedy for poison (*alexō* keep off + *pharmakon* poison)]

ālfāl'fa, n. Lucerne. [Sp., f. Arab.]

ālfres'cō, adv. & a. In the open air; open-air, as ~ lunch. [f. It. *al fresco* in the fresh (air)]

āl'gā, n. (pl. ~ae, pr. -jō). Sea-weed. Hence ~AL, ~OD, ~OLD'GICAL, aa., ~IST (3) (-j-), ~ōL'OGIST, ~ōL'OGY, nn. [L.]

āl'gēbr'a, n. Investigation of the properties of numbers by means of general symbols; *quadruple* ~a, quaternions. Hence ~ā'IC(AL) aa., ~ā'ICALY² adv., ~(ā)IST nn. [It., f. Arab. *aljabr* reunion of broken parts (*jabara* reunite)]

āl'gid, a. Cold, esp. of cold stage of ague. Hence **āl'gid'ITY** n. [f. *F. algide* f. L. *algidus* (*algere* be cold, see -ID¹)]

āl'gorism, n. Arabic (decimal) notation; cipher in ~, 0, mere dummy. [f. OF *augorisme* f. med. L. *algorismus* f. Arab. *al-Khowarazmī* the man of Khiva, surname of a mathematician; mod. mis-spelling -*ithm* by confusion w. Gk *arithmos* number]

āl'guazil' (-gw-), n. Spanish warrant-officer or sergeant. [Sp. (now -cū) f. Arab. *al-wazir* the vizier, minister (*wazara* carry on)]

āl'gum, n. Tree mentioned in Bible (2 *Chron.* ii. 8; in 1 *Kings* x. 11 wrongly given as *almug*), prob. a kind of sandal-wood. [Heb.; a foreign word perh. =Skr. *vaṅgulā* sandal-wood tree]

Alhām'bra, n. Palace of Moorish kings at Granada. Hence **ālhambresque'** (-esk) a. [f. Arab. *al-hamra* 'the red house']

āl'ias, adv. & n. (pl. ~es). (Name by which one is called) on other occasions. [L. adv.]

āl'ibi, adv. & n. (The plea that when an alleged act took place one was) elsewhere; *excuse (colloq.). [L. adv.; old locative of *alius* another]

ālicyc'lic, a. (chem.). Combining the properties of aliphatic & cyclic compounds. [f. *aliphatic* + *cyclic*]

āl'idāde, -ād, n. Index of astrolabe, quadrant, etc., showing the degrees cut off on the arc. [F (-ade), f. med. L. *al'idada* f. Arab. *al-'idāda* the revolving radius ('add upper arm)]

āl'ien', a. & n. 1. Not one's own; foreign, under foreign allegiance; differing in nature (*from*); repugnant (*to*). 2. n. Stranger; non-naturalized foreigner; one excluded *from*; (Law) ~-friend, -enemy,

alien owing allegiance to friendly, hostile, country. Hence ~ISM (2) n., study & treatment of mental diseases, ~IST n., specialist in such diseases. [OF, f. L. *alienus* belonging to another (*alius*)]

āl'ien', v.t. (Post.) estrange; (Law) transfer ownership of. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ABL'ITY n. [f. OF *aliēner* f. L. *alienare* (as prec.)]

āl'ienāt'e, v.t. Estrange; transfer ownership of; turn away, divert (*from*). Hence ~OR¹ n. [f. L. as prec., see -ATR²]

ālienā'tion, n. Estrangement; transference of ownership; diversion to different purpose; (*mental*) ~, insanity. [f. MF *ālienacion* f. L. *alienationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

ālience', n. One to whom transfer of property is made. [ALIEN² + -EE]

āl'ifōrm, a. Wing-shaped. [f. L. *ala* wing + -FORM]

alight'¹ (-it), v.i. Dismount (*from* horse), descend (*from* carriage); settle, come to earth, from the air. [OE *alihtan* (A- (1) + *lihtan* light)]

alight'² (-it), a. Kindled; on fire; lighted up. [p.p. of obs. *alight* kindle; now only used predicatively, on anal. of *a-blaze* & other adv. compds]

align' (-in), *aline'*, v.t. & i. Place, lay, in a line; bring into line; esp. bring three or more points into a straight line, as ~ the sights (of rifle) & bull's-eye; (Intr.) form in line (as troops). Hence ~MENT (-in'm-) n. [f. F *aligner* (à to + *ligner* f. L. *lineare* (linea) line)]

alike', pred. a. & adv. Similar, like; (adv.) in like manner. [OE *gelic* a. *gelice* adv. (OHG *gelih*, mod. G. *gleich*) f. *ge-* together + *lic* LIKE; also f. ON *alíkr* a. *lílike* adv. (cogn. w. OE *anlic* a. *anlice* adv.) f. a prep. on, to, + *lik* like]

āl'imēnt, n. Food; (fig.) support, mental sustenance. Hence **āl'imēn'tal** a., **āl'imēn'tally'** adv. [f. L. *alimentum* (*alere* nourish, see -MENT)]

āl'imēn'tary, a. Nourishing; performing functions of nutrition, as ~ canal; providing maintenance. [f. L. *alimentarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

ālimentā'tion, n. Nourishment; maintenance. [f. med. L. *alimentatio* (*alimentare*, as ALIMENT, see -ATION)]

āl'imōny, n. Nourishment; maintenance; allowance due to wife from husband's estate, on separation from certain causes. [f. L. *alimonia* nutriment (*alere* nourish, see -MONY)]

āl'iphāt'ic, a. (chem.). Of fat (as epithet of certain organic compounds). [f. Gk *aleiphar* -aios unguent, -io]

āl'iquōt, a. & n. ~ (*part*), part contained by the whole an integral number of times, integral factor. [f. F *aliquote* f. L. *aliquot* some, so many]

-ality, compd noun-suf. =AL + -TY. Quality, or instance of it, as (a) *generality*.

aromatic shrubs, as *Carolina A~*, *Japan A~*, *Wald A~*.

allude' (-ōō-, -ū-), v.i. Refer covertly, indirectly, *to*; (improp.) *~ to*, mean. [f. L *alludere* *lus*-play]

allure', v.t., & n. Tempt, entice, win over, (*to*, *from*, person, place, conduct); fascinate, charm; (n.) charm, attractiveness. Hence *~MENT* (-ūr'm-) n. [f. OF *aleurrer* attract (*ā* to + *leurrer* LURE)]

allu'sion (-lōōzhn, -lū-), n. Covert, implied, indirect, reference (*to*). [f. L *allusio* (as *ALLUDE*, see -ION)]

allus'ive (-lōōs-, -lūs-), a. Containing an allusion (*to*); abounding in allusions; (Her.) *~* (counting) arms. Hence *~LY* (-vī-) adv., *~NESS* (-vn-) n. [as prec., see -IVE]

alluv'ion (-ōō-, -ū-), n. Wash of sea, river, against shore, banks; flood; matter deposited by flood; (Law) formation of new land by water's action. [f. f. L *alluvionem* (nom. -vio) f. *luere* wash]

alluv'i'um (-ōō-, -ū-), n. (pl. *~a*, *~ums*). Deposit of earth, sand, etc., left by flood. Hence *~AL* a. [L, neut. of adj. *Aluvius* (*luere* wash)]

ally'¹, v.t. Combine, unite, for special object *to*, *with*, (esp. of marriage & alliance with foreign states); (of things) *allied to*, connected with. [f. OF *alier* f. L *alligare* bind]

ally'² (or *āl't*), n. Person, state, etc., allied with another. [f. prec.]

āl'ī'y, *āl'ī'y, n. Choice playing-marble of marble or alabaster. [perh. dim. of *alabaster*]

āl'ma(h), n. Egyptian dancing-girl. [Arab. *al'mah* knowing (*'alama* know)]

āl'magēst, n. Great astronomical treatise of Ptolemy; other books on astrology & alchemy. [f. F f. Arab. *al the + majisti* = Gk *megistē* greatest]

Al'ma Māt'er (ā-), n. Name used of Universities & schools. [L, = bounteous mother]

al'manāc (awl-), n. Annual calendar of months & days, with astronomical & other data. [med. L, etym. dub.]

āl'mandine, n. A garnet of violet tint. [corrupt. of obs. *alabandine* f. L *alabandina* (Alabanda, city in Caria)]

almi'ghty (awmī't), a. & adv. All-powerful, esp. *A~ God*, *the A~*; (sl.) great, (adv.) exceedingly. Hence *almi'ghti-ness* n. [OE *almeahhtig* (ALL adv. + MIGHTY)]

almif'ah (-ā), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Wardrobe, movable cupboard. [Hind., ult. thr. Port., f. L *armarium* (see AMBRY)]

alm'ond (ahm-), n. Kernel of a stone-fruit borne by two trees (*sweet*, *bitter*, *~*) allied to plum & peach; anything *~* shaped; *A~* (*Tumbler*), kind of pigeon. [f. OF *almande* f. L f. Gk *amundalē*; al- perh. by confus. w. Arab. *al the*]

āl'moner (or *ahm'ner*), n. Official distri-

butor of alms; *Hereditary Grand A~*, *Lord High A~*, (officers in royal household of Great Britain); medico-social worker attached to a hospital. [f. OF *aumoner* f. LL *almoſinarius* = *eleemosynarius* (as ALMS, see -ARY¹)]

al'mōst (awl-), adv. Very nearly (qualifying v., adv., adj.); also noun, as *his ~ impudence*. [f. ALL + MOST adv.]

alms (ahmz), n. (usu. as sing.). Charitable relief of the poor; donation; *~folk*, *almsman*, (supported by charity); *~giving*; *~house*, || one founded by charity for reception of poor. [OE *almȳsse* f. L f. Gk *eleēmosynē* compassionateness (*eleēmōn* adj. f. *eleos* compassion)]

āl'mūg. See ALGUM.

āl'ōe, n. Genus of plants with erect spikes of flowers & bitter juice; (pl.) purgative drug procured from juice of *~s*; other plants, as *American A~*, Agave. [OE *aluwe* f. L f. Gk *aloē*]

ālōēt'ic, a. & n. (Medicine) containing aloes. [f. Gk *aloē* aloes on false anal. of *diuretic* etc.]

alōft' (or -aw-), adv. & pred. a. High up (lit. & fig.); upward. [f. ON *ā* on, to, + *lopt* sky, loft]

alōne', pred. a. & adv. Solitary; standing by oneself (in opinion etc.); *LET, leave, ~*, abstain from interfering with; (adv.) only, exclusively. [f. ALL adv. + ONE]

alōng', adv. & prep. From end to end of; through any part of the length of; onward, as *get ~*; *~ with*, in company with, in conjunction with; *all ~*, all the time; (*all*) *~ of* (vulg.), owing to; || *~ships*, directed fore & aft; *~shore*, *~* by the shore, *~* & on the shore; *~side*, close to side of ship; *~side of*, side by side with (lit. & fig.). [OE *and-long* (*and-* against, facing, + *lang* long), orig. adj.]

alōof', adv. & pred. a. Away, apart, (lit. & fig.), as *stand, keep, hold ~*; (Naut.) away to windward, as *spring ~* (cf. LUFF). Hence *~NESS* n. [f. A prep. + LUFF]

ālōpē'cia, n. (med.). Baldness. [L, f. Gk *alōpekia* fox-mange f. *alōpēx* fox]

aloud', adv. Loudly; not in a whisper; (colloq.) palpably, as *recks ~*. [f. A prep. + LOUD; cf. foll.]

alow' (-ō), adv. (naut.). In, into, lower part of vessel. [f. A prep. + LOW a.]

ālp, n. Mountain-peak; (in Switzerland) green pasture-land on mountain-side; *Alps*, mountain range separating France & Italy. [(pl.) f. L *Alpes* prop. n., etym. dub.]

ālpāc'a, n. Kind of llama with long woolly hair; its wool; fabric thence made. [f. Sp. (Arab. *al the + paco*, native Peruv. name)]

āl'penstōck, n. Long iron-shod staff used in climbing Alps etc. [G, =stick of the Alps]

āl'pha, n. Greek letter A (A, a); *A~ and Omega*, beginning & end; (Astron.) chief

- star of constellation; ~ *rays*, helium nuclei emitted by radio-active substances (orig. regarded as rays). [Gk, f. Heb. *aleph* ox, leader]
- álphabét**, n. Set of letters used in a language; first rudiments. Hence **álphabét'ic** a. [f. L *alphabetum* (Gk *alpha, beta*, first two letters of alphabet)]
- álphabét'ical**, a. Of the alphabet, as ~ *order*. Hence ~ **LY**² adv. [as prec. + **IOAL**]
- Al'pine** (á-), a. Of the Alps or any lofty mountains. [f. L *Alpinus* (*Alpes*, see **ALP** & **-INE**¹)]
- Al'pinist** (á-), n. Alpine climber. [f. F *alpiniste* (as prec., see **-IST**)]
- already** (awiréd'í), adv. Beforehand; by this time, thus early. [f. ALL adv. + **READY**]
- Alsati'a** (álsash'á), n. Province west of Rhine, receded by Germany to France 1919; White Friars in London, once sanctuary for lawbreakers. Hence ~ **AN** (-shan)a.; ~ *an* (wolf-hound), a breed of dog.
- ál'sike**, n. Kind of clover. [*Aloike* in Sweden]
- ál'só** (awl-), adv. In addition, besides; ~ *ran* (sl.), person(s) etc. that failed to win distinction. [f. ALL adv. + **SO**; orig. in antecedent & relat. as well as demonstr. functions, now superseded in relat. by its shortened form **as**, & in antec. by **as** & **so**]
- ált**, n. (Mus.) high note, esp. in ~, in octave above treble stave beginning with G; (fig.) in ~, in an exalted frame of mind; ~ *horn*, brass wind-instrument of saxhorn type. [Pr., f. L *altum* high]
- ál'tar** (awl-), n. Flat-topped block for offerings to deity; Communion Table; *lead to the ~*, marry; ~ *cloth*, (prop.) linen cloth used at Communion or Mass, (loosely) silk frontal & super-frontal; ~ *piece*, reredos, esp. a painting. [f. L *altare* (*altus* high)]
- ál'tarwise** (awl-), adv. In the manner of an altar.
- áltáz'imuth**, n. Instrument for determining altitude & azimuth of heavenly bodies. [alt. for *altitude* + **AZIMUTH**]
- ál'ter** (awl-), v.t. & i. Change in character, position, etc. Hence or cogn. ~ **ABLE**¹ **ITY**, ~ **ACTION**, nn., ~ **ABLE** a. [f. 14th-c. F *altérer* f. med. L *alterare* (L *alter* other)]
- ál'terative** (awl-), a. & n. Tending to alter; (n.) medicine, treatment, that alters processes of nutrition. [prec. + **-ATIVE**]
- ál'tercíáte** (ált-, awít-), v.i. Dispute hotly, wrangle, (*with*). So ~ **ACTION** n. [f. L *altercati*, see **-ATE**¹]
- ál'ter ég'ó**, n. One's other self, intimate friend. [L, = second I]
- áltér'nant** (ált-, awít-), a. & n. Alternating; (Min.) of alternating layers; (n.) ~ quantity. [F, part. of *alternare* f. L *alternare* **ALTERNARE**]
- áltér'nate**¹ (awl-), a. (Of things of two kinds) coming each after one of the other kind; (Biol.) ~ *generation* (by ~ processes, as first by budding, next by sexual reproduction); ~ *leaves, angles* (placed alternately on the two sides of stem, line). Hence ~ **LY**² (-lí-) adv. [f. L *alternare* do one thing after the other (*alternus* every other f. *alter* other), see **-ATE**¹]
- ál'terná'te**² (awl-), v.t. & i. Arrange, perform, (two sets of things) alternately; interchange (one thing) alternately *with, by, another*; (of two things) succeed each other by turns; (of a whole) consist of alternate things; (of one class of things) appear alternately with another. So ~ **ACTION** n.; ~ **ATOR**² (2) n., dynamo giving an ~ *ating current* (reversing its direction at regular intervals). [f. prec.]
- áltér'ná'tive** (awl-), a. & n. 1. (Of two things) mutually exclusive. 2. n. (Strictly) permission to choose between two things; (loosely) either of two possible courses, as *I had no (other) ~*; one of more than two possibilities. Hence ~ **LY**² (-ví-) adv. [f. med. L *alternativus* (as prec., see **-ATIVE**)]
- although** (awídh'ó), conj. Though. [f. ALL adv. + **THOUGH**]
- áltim'éter**, n. Aeronautical aneroid for showing height above sea level. [L *altus* high, ~ **METER**]
- áltítúde**, n. Height; depth; (Geom.) length of perpendicular from vertex to base; height above sea level; (usu. in pl.) high place; (fig.) eminence. [f. L *altitudo* (*altus* high), see **-TUDE**]
- ált'ó**, n. (mus.). Highest male voice, counter-tenor; its musical part; female voice of similar range, contralto; its part; singer with ~ voice; tenor violin; ~ *clarinet, trombone*, instruments similar to the clarinet, trombone. [It. *alto* (*canto*) high (singing)]
- altogether** (awítogédh'er), adv. & n. Totally; on the whole; (n.) *an ~*, a whole; *the ~* (colloq.), the nude. [ALL a.]
- ált'ó-réliev'ó** (-lě-), n. (sculp.). High relief. [It. *alto-rilievo*]
- ált'ru'izm** (-rób-), n. Regard for others as a principle of action. Hence ~ **IST** n., ~ **is'tio** a., ~ **is'tically** adv. [f. F *altruisme* (It. *altruus* others' f. L *alteri* *huc* to this other, see **-ISM**)]
- ál'um**, n. A double sulphate of aluminium & potassium; series of salts including this; family of compounds including these; (Min.) various native minerals, alums proper & pseudo-alums. [OF, f. L *alumen*]
- alum'ina** (-lób-), n. One of the earths, the only oxide of aluminium. [f. L *alumen* alum, on type of *soda* etc.]
- ál'umín'ium**, ***ál'um'ínium**, n. White light sonorous ductile malleable metal, not tarnished by air, used for instruments & as an alloy; ~ *bronze*, alloy of ~ & copper. [f. ALUMINA; formerly *aluminum, aluminium*]
- alum'ineous** (-lób-), a. Of the nature of alum or alumina. [f. F *alumineux* f. L *aluminosus* (*alumen* ALUM, see **-OUS**)]

- alūm'nus**, n. (pl. ~i; fem. ~a, pl. ~ae). (Former) pupil or student. [L. = foster-child]
- ālvē'olate**, a. Honeycombed, pitted with small cavities. [f. *L. alveolatus* f. foll., see -ATE²]
- ālvē'olus**, n. Small cavity; socket of tooth, whence ~AR¹ a.; cell of honeycomb; conical chamber of a belomnite. [L. dim. of *alveus* cavity]
- always** (awl'wiz), adv. At all times; on all occasions (~ excepting, provided, etc., legal formulae). [f. ALL a. + WAY; *alway* (now arch. or poet. for ~) orig. meant 'all the way, continually', ~ (gen. case) having prob. the sense 'on every occasion']
- am**. See BE.
- āmadavāt'**, āv-, n. Small Indian song-bird. [native name]
- ām'adou** (-ōō), n. German tinder, prepared from fungi, used as a match & stypitic. [f. f. Pr. (OPr. *amador*), f. *L. amator* lover (*amare*, see -OR²)]
- amah** (ah'ma), n. (S. India, formerly) wet-nurse; (China & Far East) child's (native) nurse. [f. Port. *ama* nurse]
- amain'**, adv. (arch., poet.). Vehemently; in all haste. [a prep. + *main*, OE *mægn*, force]
- amāl'gam**, n. Mixture of a metal with mercury, as gold ~; plastic mixture of any substances (also fig.). [f. F *amalgame*, med. L *amalgama*, perh. f. L f. Gk *malagma* an emollient (*malassō*, st. *malak*, soften)]
- amāl'gamate¹**, a. Combined, esp. of languages. [f. med. L *amalgamare* (as prec., see -ATE²)]
- amāl'gam|āte²**, v.t. & i. Mix; unite (classes, societies, companies, ideas, etc.). (of metals) combine with mercury. Hence ~ATION n., ~ating or being ~ated, merging of two or more business concerns into one; ~ATOR¹ n., ~ATIVE a. [f. prec., see -ATE²]
- amānūēn'sis**, n. (pl. ~nēs). One who writes from dictation. [L. adj. used as n., f. (*servus*) a *manu* secretary + *ensis* belonging to]
- ām'arant(h)**, n. Imaginary unfading flower; genus, including Prince's Feather & Love-lies-bleeding; purple colour. Hence āmarān't(h)uē¹ a. [f. F *amarante* f. L f. Gk *amarantos* everlasting, name of a flower (a- not + *maran*- st. of *marainō* fade); h by confusion with Gk *anthos* flower]
- āmar'yll'is**, n. Kinds of bulbous plant. [L, f. Gk *Amaryllis*, name of a country girl]
- amāss'**, v.t. Heap together; accumulate (esp. riches). [f. 12th-o. F *amasser* (ā to + *masser* f. *masse* MASS²)]
- ām'ateur** (-tāt, -tēr), n. One who is fond of; one who cultivates a thing as a pastime. Hence āmateur'ish (-tūt-) a., āmateur'ishly¹ adv., āmateur'ishness,
- āmateur'ism**, nn. [F, f. L *amatores* (*amare* love, see -OR²)]
- Amati** (ahmah'tē), n. Violin or violoncello made by a member of the *Amati* family of Cremona (fl. c. 1570 onwards)
- ām'ative**, a. Disposed to loving. Hence ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. L *amare* love, see -ATIVE]
- ām'atōl**, n. High explosive made from TNT & ammonium nitrate. [irreg. f. AM(MONIUM) + (TRINITRO)TOL(UENE)]
- ām'atory**, a. Pertaining to a lover or to sexual love. Hence āmatōr'ial a. [f. L *amatorius* (*amare* love, see -ORY)]
- āmaur|ōs'is** (-or-), n. Partial or total loss of sight from disease of optic nerve. Hence ~ōr'ic a. [Gk, f. *amauroō* darken (*amauros* dark), see -OSIS]
- amāz(e'¹**, v.t. Overwhelm with wonder. Hence ~edly², ~ingly², adv., ~e'ment (-zm-) n. [a- (1) + *maze* v., etym. dub.]
- amāze'²**, n. (poet.). = AMAZEMENT. [f. prec.]
- Am'azon** (ā-), n. Fabulous race of female warriors in Scythia; female warrior (lit. & fig.); masculine woman. Hence **Amazōn'ian** (ā-) a. [f. L f. Gk (prob. foreign word, but explained by Greeks as a- not + *mazos* breast, from destruction of right breast to facilitate use of bow)]
- āmbā'ges** (-jēz), n. pl. Roundabout ways. [L (*amb*- about + *ag*- f. *agere* drive); 16th-o. E had *am'bage*, pl. *am'bages*]
- ām'bān**, n. Chinese resident official in Tibet. [Manchu, = minister]
- āmbāss'ador**, n. Minister sent by one sovereign or State on mission to another (usu. A ~ extraordinary); minister permanently representing sovereign or State at foreign court (Ordinary, Resident, A ~; formerly A ~ Leger); A ~ Plenipotentiary (with full power to sign treaties etc.); official messenger. Hence āmbāssa-dōr'ial a. [f. F *ambassadeur* f. OSp. *ambaxador* f. med. L + *ambactiator* agent-noun of *ambactiare* f. *ambactia* office f. Celt. *ambactus* servant (*ambi* about + *ag*- drive, cogn. w. L *agere*)]
- āmbāss'adress**, n. Female ambassador; ambassador's wife. [f. prec. + -ESS¹]
- ām'ber**, n. Yellow translucent fossil resin, found chiefly on S. shore of Baltic; ~ *Fauna*, *Flora*, animals, plants, of which remains are found in ~. [f. F *ambre* f. Arab. *'ambar* ambergris, to which the name orig. belonged]
- ām'bergris** (-ēs), n. Wax-like substance found floating in tropical seas, & in intestines of sperm-whale, odoriferous & used in perfumery, formerly in cookery. [f. F *ambre gris* grey amber]
- āmbidēx'ter**, a. & n. (Person) able to use left hand as well as right; double-dealing. Hence āmbidēxtē'rity n. [med. L (*amb*- on both sides + *dexter* right-handed)]
- āmbidēx'(e)rous**, a. = prec. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [as prec. + -OUS]

ám'bient, a. Surrounding, circumfused. [f. L *ambiens* -*entis* part. of *ambire* go about (*amb*- on both sides + *ire* go)]

ámbigu'ity, n. Double meaning; expression capable of more than one meaning. [f. med. L *ambiguitas* (as foll., see -*ty*)]

ámbig'uous, a. Obscure; of double meaning; of doubtful classification; of uncertain issue. Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [f. L *ambiguus* doubtful f. *ambigere* (*amb*- both ways + *agere* drive) + *-ous*]

ám'bít, n. Precincts; bounds; compass, extent. [f. L *ambitus* a going round (*ambire*, see *AMBIENT*)]

ámbi'tion, n. Ardent desire for distinction; aspiration (to be, to do); object of such desire. [F, f. L *ambitionem* (*ambire* -*it*-, canvass for votes, see *AMBIENT* & -*ion*)]

ámbi'tious (-shus), a. Full of ambition; strongly desirous (of a thing, to do); showing ambition, as an ~*attempt*. Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [f. L *ambitiosus* (as prec., see -*ous*)]

ámbi'valent, a. Having either or both of two contrary values or qualities. [f. L *ambo* both, after *equivalent*]

ám'ble¹, v.i. (Of fishes etc.) move by lifting two feet on one side together; ride an ambling horse, ride at an easy pace; move in a way suggesting an ambling horse. [f. F *ambler* f. L *ambulare* walk]

ám'ble², n. Pace of an ambling horse; easy pace. [f. F *amble* f. *ambler*, see prec.]

ámbl'y|óp'ia, n. Impaired vision. Hence ~*op'ic* a. [Gk, f. *amblyōpos* a. (*amblyus* dull + *ōps* *ōpos* eye)]

ám'bō, n. (pl. ~s, ~nes pr. -ōn'ēs). Pulpit in early Christian churches. [LL, f. Gk *ambōn*]

ámboy'na (wōōd), n. Finely marked wood of an Asiatic tree. [*Amboyna* Island]

ámbrō'sia (-zia, -zhya), n. (Myth.) food of the gods; anything delightful to taste or smell; bee-bread. [f. L f. Gk, fem. of *ambrosios* of the immortals f. *ambros* (a- not + (m)brosos mortal)]

ámbrō'sial (-zial, -zyal), a. Divinely fragrant; divine. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. L f. Gk *ambrosios*, see prec. & -*al*]

ám'brý, aum-, n. (arch.). Pantry; wall-press; dresser; closed recess in wall of church. [f. L *armarium* tool-chest (*arma* tools, see -*ary*¹), with l for r by dissim. & phonetic -b-]

ambs-ace (ámz ás'), n. Both aces, lowest throw at dice; bad luck; worthlessness. [f. OF *ambes* as f. L *ambas* as, see *ACE*; also written *ames*-]

ám'bú lance, n. Moving hospital following army; conveyance for sick or wounded persons. [F (L *ambulare* walk, see -*ance*)]

ám'búliant, a. (path.). (Of a disease) shifting from one part of the body to another, not confining patients to bed; (of treatment) involving exercise on part

of patient. [f. part. of L *ambulare* walk, see -*ant*]

ám'búlatorý, a. & n. 1. Pertaining to walking; adapted for walking; movable; not permanent. 2. n. Place for walking; arcade, cloister. [f. L *ambulatorius* (as prec., see -*ory*)]

ámbuscáde¹, n. Ambush. [f. F *embuscade* f. It. *imboscada* or Sp. *emboscada* (*imboscare*, see *AMBUSH* v. and -*ade*)]

ámbuscáde², v.t. & i. Lie, conceal, in ambush. [f. prec.]

ám'bush¹ (-ōsh), n. Concealment of troops, troops concealed, in a wood etc.; (generally) lying in wait; *make, lay, an* ~, *lie in* ~. [f. OF *embusche* (as foll.); *amperh*. due to *AMBAGES*]

ám'bush² (-ōsh), v.t. & i. Conceal (troops, only in p.p.); lie in wait for; (intr.) lie in wait. [f. OF *embuscher* (Sp. *emboscar*, It. *imboscare*) f. LL *imboscare* (*boscus* BUSH); see prec.]

áme damnée (see Ap.), n. Tool, devoted adherent. [F]

ameer', amir' (-ēr), n. Title of various Mohammedan rulers in Scinde & Afghanistan. [Arab. *amir* commander (*amara* command)]

amēl'ior|âte, v.t. & i. (Cause to) become better. Hence ~*ation*, ~*ator*², un., ~*ative* a. [f. F *améliorer* f. OF *ameillorer* (à to + *meillorer* f. L *meliorare* f. *melior* better)]

amēn' (ā-, ah-), int. So be it. [f. L f. Gk f. Heb. *amen* certainty, certainly (*aman* strength)]

amēn'able, a. (Of persons) responsible (to law etc. or abs.); (of things) liable to; capable of being tested by (to); responsive, tractable. Hence ~*ability*, ~*able-ness*, un., ~*ably*² adv. [AF, f. *amener* bring to (à to + *mener* bring f. L *minare* threaten), see -*able*]

amēnd', v.i. & t. Abandon evil ways; (arch.) improve in health; correct an error in (legal document), make professed improvements in (measure before Parliament); make better. Hence ~*able* a., ~*ment* n. [f. OF *amender* f. L *emendare* free from faults (*menda* fault)]

amēnde honoráble (see Ap.), n. Public apology & reparation. [F]

amēnds' (-z), n. Reparation, restitution, compensation, as *make* ~. [f. OF *amendes* penalties, fine, pl. of *amende* reparation f. *amender* *AMEND*; pl. now treated in E as sing.]

amēn'ity, n. Pleasantness (of places, persons, etc.); (pl.) pleasant ways. [f. L *amoenitas* (*amoenus* conn. w. *amare* love, see -*ty*)]

ā mēn'sā ēt tō'rō, adv. From board & bed. [L]

amēn'tia (-sha), n. Imbecility. [L, l. *amens* (a- ab + *mens* *mentis* mind)]

amēn'tum, amēnt', n. Catkin. Hence *āmēnta'mentus*, *āmēnti'mentus*, *amēnt'thorax*, aa. [L, -*thong*]

amorce', v.t. Fine; (loosely) punish. Hence **amér'ciable** a., ~MENT (-sm-), **amér'clement**, nn. [orig. *amercy* f. AF *amercer* (à at + *merci* MEROY)]

Amé'rican, a. & n. 1. Belonging to continent of America or to United States; || ~ *cloth, leather*, glazed cloth used for covering tables etc.; ~ *organ*, small organ with suction-operated reeds instead of blown pipes. 2. n. Native of America of European descent; citizen of United States. [-AN]

Amé'ricanism, n. Word or sense or phrase peculiar to or extending from United States; attachment to, sympathy with, United States. [prec. + -ISM]

Amé'ricanize, v.t. & i. Naturalize as an American; make American in character; become American in character; use Americanisms. [as prec. + -IZE]

ames'-ace. See **AMBS-ACE**.

ám'éthýst, n. Precious stone, kind of quartz, purple or violet; *Oriental A~*, rare violet variety of sapphire. Hence **áméthýs'tun**¹ a. [f. OF *ametiste* f. L f. Gk *amethystos* not drunken (a- not + vbl adj. f. *methuskó* intoxicate f. *methu* wine), the stone being supposed to prevent intoxication]

Amhá'ric (á-), n. Official & court language of Abyssinia. [f. *Amhara*, Abyssinian province]

ám'iable, a. Feeling & inspiring friendliness; lovable. Hence **ámiable'ty**, ~NESS, nn., **ám'iable'y**¹ adv. [OF, f. L *amicabilis* AMICABLE; confused with OF *amable* (mod. F *amable*) f. L *amabilis* lovable (*amare* love, see -BLE)]

ámíán't(h)us, n. Mineral variety of asbestos, splitting into flexible fibres; green fibrous chrysotile. [L, f. Gk *amiantos* undefiled (a- not + vbl adj. f. *miainó*), i.e. purified by fire, being incombustible; for -h- cf. **AMARANTH**]

ám'ic, a. (chem.). Pertaining to ammonia. [f. AM(MONIA) + -IC]

ám'icable, a. Friendly; done in a friendly spirit. Hence ~ABLE'ty, ~ABLE-NESS, nn., ~ABLY¹ adv. [f. L *amicabilis* (*amicare* make friendly f. *amicus*, see -BLE)]

ám'ice¹, n. Square of white linen worn by celebrant priests, formerly on head, now on shoulders. (earlier *amyt* f. OF *amit* f. L *amictus* garment; -ce, or -s, perh. due to *confus. w. foll.*)

ám'ice², n. Cap, hood, cape, of religious orders; badge worn by French canons on left arm. [f. OF *amussée*, perh. f. Arab. al the + G *mütze* cap; early confused w. prec.]

ámico'us **adv'ise**, n. Friend of the court, disinterested adviser. [L]

amid', **amidst'**, prep. In the middle of (fig. & lit.); in the course of. [OE on *midde* (dat. of *mid*) in the middle, followed by genitive; see also -**MS**]

ám'ide, n. (chem.). Compound formed from ammonia by replacing one or more hydrogen atoms by an acid radical. [f. AM(MONIA) + -IDE]

ám'idin, n. Soluble matter of starch; starch in state of solution. [f. *amid*-com-Rom. form of L *amylum* starch + -IN]

ám'idól, n. A photographic developer. [P; perh. f. (*di*)*amid*(*ophen*)ol, of which it is a salt]

amid'ships, adv. In middle of ship. [f. AMID + SHIP + -ES]

ám'ildár, n. Native revenue-collector in India. [f. Pers.]

ám'ine, n. (chem.). Compound formed from ammonia by replacing one or more hydrogen atoms by alcohol or other base-radicals. [f. AM(MONIA) + -INE¹]

amir, n. See **AMBER**.

amiss', adv. & pred. a. Not up to the mark; out of order; wrongly; untowardly, as *come ~*; *take ~*, take offence at; *not ~*, appropriate. [A prep. + MISS n.]

ám'ity, n. Friendship, friendly relations. [f. F *amitié*, earlier *amisté*, f. pop. L *amicitatem* (*amicus* friend, see -TY)]

ám'méter, n. Instrument for measuring electric current in amperes. [f. AM(PERE) + -METER]

ám'mó, n. (sl.). Ammunition. [abbr.]

ám'monal, n. High explosive made from ammonium nitrate & aluminium. [f. AMMON(IUM) + AL(UMINIUM)]

ammón'ia, n. A colourless gas with pungent smell & strong alkaline reaction, spirit of hartshorn; *liquid ~*, (Chem.) liquefied ~; ~ *liquor*, solution of ~ in water. [f. foll.]

ammón'iác, a. & n. Of the nature of ammonia; *Sal A~*, hard white crystalline salt, said to have been prepared from camels' dung near temple of Jupiter Ammon; *Gum A~* (also *A~*), a gum resin used in medicine & as cement. Hence **ámmoni'acal** a. [F, f. L f. Gk *ammoniakón* belonging to Ammon]

ammón'iátéd, a. Combined with ammonia. [f. prec. + -ATE¹ (3) + -ED¹]

ámmoni'te, n. Fossil genus of Cephalopods. [after med. L *cornu Ammonis* horn of (Jupiter) Ammon, see -ITE¹ (2)]

ammón'ium, n. Hypothetical radical of ammonia salts; ~ *chloride*, *Sal AMMONIAC*; ~ *carbonate*, rock ammonia (see **SAL VOLATILE**)

ámmoni'tion, n. Military stores (formerly of all kinds, now of powder, shot, shell, etc.); || ~ *boots, bread, hat* (supplied to soldiers). [f. F *amunition*, vulg. *amonition*, by *confus. of la munition* (see **MUNITION**) with *l'amonition*]

ámniés'ia, n. Loss of memory. [Gk, = forgetfulness]

ám'neésy, n. & v.t. Intentional overlooking; act of oblivion, general pardon; (v.t.) give ~ to. [f. L f. Gk *amnesia* oblivion f. *amnesios* a. (a- not + *mné-* remember)]

ām'nīōn, n. (pl. -āa). Innermost membrane enclosing foetus before birth. [Gk, =caul (dim. of *amnos* lamb)]

amoeb'ia (-mē-), n. Microscopic animalcule perpetually changing shape. Hence

-IFORM, ~oid, aa. [f. Gk *amoibē* change]

amoebaeān (āmēbē'an), a. Alternately answering. [f. L f. Gk *amobaios* interchanging (*amoibē* change), see -AN]

amōk'. See AMUCK.

among(st)' (-mū-), prep. In the assemblage of, surrounded by; in the number of; within the limits of (collectively or distributively), as *five shillings ~ us*, *divided ~ us*; in comparison with, as *one ~ many*; by joint action of, as *kill him ~ you*; reciprocally, as *quarrelled ~ themselves*. [OE *on gemang* (on in + *gemang* assemblage f. *gemengan* mingle) foll. by gen. case; see -ES]

Amonillado (ahmōntilyah'dō), n. (Formerly) a specially dry sherry; (now) sherry of a matured type; (fig., attrib.) of dry speech or manner. [Sp. f. *Montilla* (in Spain) + *ado* (= -ATE²)]

āmō'ral, a. Unconcerned with, out of the sphere of, morals, non-moral. [A- (7)]

ām'orous, a. Inclined to love; in love; of, pertaining to, love. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF, f. L *amorousus* (*amor* love, see -OUS)]

amōrph'ous, a. Shapeless; anomalous; (Min., Chem.) uncrystallized; unorganized. Hence ~ISM, ~ousNESS, nn. [f. Gk *amorphos* shapeless (a- not + *morphē* form) + -OUS]

amōrt'ize, v.t. Alienate in mortmain; extinguish (debt, usu. by means of sinking fund), whence ~IZA'TION n. [f. F *amortir* (st. -ise-) bring to death f. LL ⁺*ad mortem* (to death)]

amount'¹, v.i. Come to (so much); be equivalent (in significance) to. [f. OF *amonter* f. *amont* upward (*à mont* hillward f. L *ad montem*)]

amount'², n. Total to which a thing amounts; full value, significance, etc.; quantity, as *a considerable ~ (of)*. [f. prec.]

amour' (-oor), n. Love-affair; intrigue. [F, =love f. L *amorem*, nom. -or, f. *amare*]

amourette' (-oor-), n. Petty love-affair. [F, dim. of *amour*]

amour-propre (ām'oor-prōp'r), n. Self-esteem. [F]

āmpēlōp'sis, n. Kinds of vine-creeper. [Gk *ampelos* vine, *opsis* appearance]

ām'pere (-ē-, -ā-), n. (electr.). Current that one volt can send through one ohm, unit of current. (name (*Ampère*) of physicist)

āmpersānd', n. The sign & (*and*, L *et*). (also *ampus*, *ampasy*, *ampusay*, corrupt. of 'and per se' (= by itself *and*))

amphi- in comb. Both, of both kinds, on both sides, around. [Gk, prep.]

Amphib'ia (-ā-), n. pl. Division of Vertebrata, intermediate between reptiles & fishes, as frogs, newts, etc. [f. L f. Gk *amphibia* (zōa) (animals) living in both elements (AMPHI- + *bios* life)]

āmphib'ian, a. & n. (Animal) living both on land & in water; an aircraft designed to rise from & alight on either land or water. [as prec. + -AN]

āmphibiōl'ogy, n. Branch of zoology treating of Amphibia. [prec. + -LOGY]

āmphib'ious, a. Living both on land & in water; connected with both land & water; having two lives, connected with two classes, etc. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. AMPHIBIA + -OUS]

āmphibiōl'ogy, n. Quibble; ambiguous wording. Hence **āmphibiōl'gical** a. [f. F *amphibologie* f. L f. Gk AMPHIBOLIA f. *ballō* throw; assim. to words in -LOGY]

āmphic'tyōns, n. pl. Deputies from ancient Greek states forming council. So **āmphictyōn'ic** a. [f. Gk *amphiktuones* neighbours]

ām'phigām, n. (bot.). Plant with no distinct sexual organs. Hence **āmphig'-amous** a. [f. F *amphigame* (AMPHI- + Gk *gamos* marriage)]

āmphigour' (-oor), **ām'phigōry**, n. Nonsensical composition. [?]

āmphimix'is, n. (biol.). Mingling of two individuals, or of their germs, as in sexual reproduction. [AMPHI- + Gk *mixis* mingling]

āmphiox'us, n. The fish Lancelet. [f. AMPHI- + Gk *oxus* sharp]

āmphip'odia, n. pl. Order of Crustacea, with feet of two kinds. Hence **ām'-phipōd** n., ~AN, ~OUS, aa. [AMPHI- + Gk *pous* podo foot]

āmphip'ostyle, a. With portico at both ends. [F, f. L f. Gk *amphiprostylus* (AMPHI- + *prostylus* PROSTYLE)]

āmphisbaen'a, n. Fabulous serpent with head at each end; (Zool.) genus of worm-like lizards. [L, f. Gk *amphisbaina* (*amphis* both ways + *bainō* go)]

ām'phitheatre (-ater), n. Oval or circular building, with seats rising behind & above each other round a central open space; part of a theatre; (fig.) scene of a contest. Hence **āmphitheāt'rical** a. [f. L f. Gk *amphitheatron* (see AMPHI- + THEATRE)]

Amphit'ryon (-ā-), n. Host, entertainer. [Molière, *Amphitryon*, iii. 5]

ām'phora, n. (pl. -ae, -as). Greek or Roman two-handled vessel. [L, f. Gk *amphoreus* for AMPHI(phoreus f. *phērō* bear)]

āmphō'ric, a. (med.). Like the sound produced by blowing into large vessel with small mouth. [f. prec. + -IC]

ām'ple, a. (-er, -est). Spacious; extensive; abundant; copious; quite enough. Hence **ām'ply²** adv., ~NESS (-th-), n. [F, f. L *amplus*]

ām'pliative, a. (logic). Extending a simple conception. [f. L *ampliare* widen (*amplus*), see -ATIVE]

āmplificā'tion, n. Extension, enlargement; making the most of a thing. [f. L *amplificatio* (as foll., see -ATION)]

ām'plifī, v.t. & i. Enhance; enlarge (story, statement); expatiate. Hence ~IER¹ n., (esp.) appliance increasing loudness of sounds, strength of wireless signals, etc. [f. F *amplifier* f. L *amplificare* (as AMPLE, see -FY)]

ām'plitūde, n. Breadth; abundance; wide range; dignity; (Astron.) space by which celestial body rises, sets, wide of due east, west. [F, f. L *amplitudo* (as AMPLE, see -TUDE)]

ām'poule (-ōb), n. Small glass vessel for containing esp. hypodermic injection. [F, cf. foll.]

āmpull'a, n. (pl. -ae). Roman two-handled flask; vessel for sacred uses; (Biol.) dilated end of vessel, canal, duct, in an animal. Hence **āmpull'a'ceous** (-āshus) a. [L, etym. dub.]

ām'pūtāte, v.t. Cut off (part of animal body etc. or abs.). Hence ~A'TION, ~ĀTOR², nn. [f. L *amputare* (amb- about + *putare* prune), see -ATE²]

amūck, **amōk**, adv. Run ~, run about in frenzied thirst for blood (also fig.). [f. Malay *amog* rushing in frenzy]

ām'ūlēt, n. Thing worn as charm against evil (lit. & fig.). [f. L *amuletum*, etym. dub.]

amūs'e (-z), v.t. Divert from serious business (with trifles, by trifling); tickle the fancy of; be ~ed with, by, at. So ~'ABLE, ~'IVE, aa. [f. OF *amuser* cause to MUSE² (causal d to + *muser* stare)]

amūse'ment (-zm-), n. Pleasant diversion; excitement of risible faculty; pastime. [f. F *amusement* (*amuser*, see prec. and -MENT)]

āmýgdāl'ic, a. Of almonds, as ~ acid. [f. L *amygdala* ALMOND + IC]

amýg'daloid, a. & n. (Igneous rock containing mineral nodules) of almond shape. [f. Gk *amygdalē* ALMOND + OID]

ām'yī, n. (chem.). The radical of various alcohols some of which are constituents of fusel oil. Hence **ām'yī'ic** a. [f. L *amylum* starch + YL, named as discovered in distilling fusel oil from starch]

āmýlā'ceous (-shus), a. Of starch, starchy. [f. L *amylum* starch + -ACEOUS]

ām'yīold, a. & n. Starchy (food). [as prec. + OLD]

āmýlōp'sin, n. Ferment of the pancreatic juice that converts starch into sugar. [f. Gk *amylon* starch, after *pepsin*]

an¹, a. See A, adj.

an², conj. (arch.). If. [weakening of &]

an³, pref. 1. f. an = on, as in *anon*, *anent*.

2. f. L *ad* before n, see AD-. 3. f. L *an* = ambi-, as in *anfractuosity*. 4. f. Gk *ANA*-.

5. f. Gk *an* = a- not (before vowel), as in *anarchy*.

-an, suf. of adj. (often used as nn.), f. L -anus direct or through F -ain (the early E form, retained in *certain*, *captain*, *chaplain*) or -en, or It., Sp., Port., -ano, & freely used in new words; added esp. to names of place, system, zool. order, or founder (*Chilian*, *Anglican*, *reptilian*, *Lutheran*); often as E termination to L adj. in -ius, giving -IAN as a more phonetic variant (cf. *Christ-ian*, *Mohammed-an*). See also -ANE.

ān'a, n. (With pl. ~s) collection of person's memorable sayings; (collect. pl.) anecdotes, lit. gossip, about a person. (= -ANA)

āna-, pref. = Gk *ana* up, back, again, anew; before a vowel an-.

-ana, suf. Neut. pl. of L adj. in -anus (see -AN) appended in 18th-c. F to names = the sayings of; in E from 18th c., now including anecdotes about, publications bearing on, places or persons, as *Tunbrigiana*, *Shakespeareana*.

ānabāp'tism, n. Re-baptism; doctrine of anabaptists. [f. L f. Gk *anabaptismos* (ANA- + *baptismos* BAPTISM)]

ānabāp'tist n. One who baptizes over again; (opprobriously) = BAPTIST. Hence ~is'tical a. [as prec., see -IST]

ān'abās, n. Genus of fishes that leave water & ascend trees. [Gk part. of *anabainō* walk up]

anāb'asis, n. Up-country march, esp. that of Cyrus the younger into Asia, narrated by Xenophon. [Gk, = ascent f. *ANA* (*baínō* go)]

ānabāt'ic, a. (meteor.). (Of winds) caused by air flowing upwards, cf. KATABATIC. [as prec. + IC]

anāb'olism, n. (biol.). Constructive metabolism (opp. KATABOLISM). So **ānabōl'ic** a. [f. Gk *anabole* ascent + -ISM]

ān'abbranch (-ahn-), n. A stream that turns out of, & lower down, re-enters, a river. [ANA- + BRANCH]

ānachrōn'ic (-k-), a. Involving anachronism; out of date. [f. ANA- + Gk *khronos* time + IC]

anāch'ronism (-k-), n. Error in computing time; thing out of harmony with the present. So ~is'tic a. [f. F *anachronisme* f. L f. Gk *anakhronismos* f. *anakhronizō* (as prec.)]

ānacīās'tic, a. Pertaining to refraction; springing back with crackling sound, as ~ glasses. [f. Gk *anaklastos* refracted f. *ANA* (*klaō* bend)]

ānacolūth'on, n. (pl. -tha). Sentence, words, lacking grammatical sequence. [f. Gk *anakolouthon* (AN- (5) + *akolouthos* following f. a- copul. + *keleuthos* road)]

ānacōn'da, n. Large snake of Ceylon; large S.-American Boa; any large snake that crushes its prey. [?]

anācrēōn'tic, a. & n. (Poem) in the manner or metre of Anacreon's lyrics; convivial & amatory. [f. L *Anacreonticus* (Gk *Anakreōn*, name of poet)]

anacrus'is (-ōs), n. (pros.). Unstressed syllable at beginning of verse. [f. Gk *anakrousis* (ANAKROUō strike up)]

anā'romous, a. (Of fishes) ascending rivers to spawn. [f. Gk ANA(dromos running) + -OUS]

anaem'ia, n. (med.). Lack of blood, unhealthy paleness. Hence ~IO a. [f. Gk *anaimia* (AN- (5) + *haima* blood)]

anaerobe (anā'erōb), n. Minute organism that can live without free oxygen. Hence **anāerōb'ian**, **anāerōb'io**, aa. [f. AN- (5) + Gk *aēr* air + *bios* life]

anaesthēs'ia, n. Insensibility (lit.). [f. Gk *anaisthēsia* (AN- (5) + *aisthēsis* sensation f. st. *aisthe-* perceive)]

anaesthet'ic, a. n. (Agent) that produces insensibility. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *anaisthēlos* insensible (as prec.) + -IC]

anaes'thetize, v.t. Render insensible (lit. & fig.). Hence ~IST (1), ~IZ'ATION, nn. [as prec. + -IZE]

an'aglyph, n. Embossed ornament in low relief; (Photog.) composite stereoscopic picture printed in superimposed complementary colours. Hence **anaglyph'io** a. [f. Gk *anaglyphō* (gluphō carve)]

anagnō'risis, n. Denouement in a drama. [L f. Gk, f. *anagnōrizō* recognize]

anagō'gē, n. Spiritual or allegorical interpretation. So **anagō'gic(AL)** aa., **anagō'gicaly** adv. [L, f. Gk *anagōgē* f. *anagō* lead up (AN- 4)]

an'agram, n. Transposition of letters of word or phrase, to form new word or phrase. Hence **anagrammāt'ic(AL)** aa., **anagrammāt'icaly** adv. [f. F *anagramme* f. Gk *anagrapō* write, see -M]

anagramm'atize, v.t. Form into an anagram. Hence ~ISM, ~IST, nn. [f. Gk *anagrammatizō* (as prec., see -IZE)]

an'al, a. Pertaining to, situated near, the anus. [f. ANUS + -AL]

an'alēcts, **anālēc'ta**, n. pl. Literary gleanings. [f. L f. Gk *analekta* things gathered (ANALēō pick up)]

anālēp'tic, a. & n. Restorative (medicine). [f. Gk *anālēptikos* f. ANA(lambanō take) restore, see -IC]

anālēs'ia, n. Absence of pain. So **anāl-gēt'ic**, (irreg.) **anāl-gēs'ic**, aa., giving ~, & nn., such drug. [Gk (-gēs), f. an- (5), *algēō* feel pain]

anālō'gic, a. Of analogy. [f. L f. Gk *analogikos* (as ANALOGY, see -IC)]

anālō'gical, a. According to analogy expressing an analogy. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec. + -AL]

anāl'ogist, n. One occupied with analogies; philosopher who saw in words images of the things they expressed. [as foll., see -IST]

anāl'ogize, v.t. & i. Represent by analogy; show to be analogous; employ analogy; be in harmony (with). [f. ANALOGY + -IZE]

anāl'ogous, a. Similar, parallel, (to). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L f. Gk *analogos* (ana up to + *logos* proportion) + -OUS]

an'alogue (-ōg), n. Analogous, parallel, word or thing. [F, f. Gk *analogon* neut. adj., see prec.]

anāl'ogŷ, n. (Math.) proportion; agreement, similarity, (to, with, between); analogue; (Logic) process of reasoning from parallel cases; (Lang.) imitation of inflexion or construction of existing words in forming inflexions or constructions of others, without intervention of the formative steps through which these at first arose; (Nat. Hist.) resemblance of form or function between organs essentially different. [f. L f. Gk *analogia* proportion (as ANALOGOUS)]

an'alys'e (-z), v.t. Examine minutely the constitution of; (Chem., Phys.) ascertain the elements of (a compound); find, show, the essence of (treatise etc.); (Gram.) resolve (sentence) into its grammatical elements. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *analyser* (analyse, as foll.); also -yze in E by assim. to vbs in -IZE]

anāl'y'sis, n. (pl. -yses). Resolution into simple elements (in all senses of prec.); *bowling* ~, register of the result of each ball. [f. L f. Gk *analysis* f. ANA(luō loose)]

an'alyst, n. One skilled in (usu. chemical) analysis. [f. F *analyste* f. *analyser* ANALYSE, on anal. of nouns in -iste -IST f. vbs in -iser -IZE]

anāl'y'tic, a. Pertaining to analysis. Hence **anāl'y'tics** n. [f. med. L f. Gk *analutikos* (as ANALYSIS, see -IC)]

anāl'y'tical, a. Employing the analytic method; (Lang.) using separate words instead of inflexions. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec. + -AL]

anamnēs'is, n. Recollection (esp. of a previous existence). [Gk (ANAMinnēskō remind)]

anamōrph'osis, n. Distorted drawing appearing regular from one point; (Bot.) abnormal transformation. [Gk *anamorphōsis* (ANAMorphōō transform f. *morphē* form, see -OSIS)]

anān'as (or -ahn-), n. Pineapple. [prob. f. Peruv. *Nanas*; also *anana*, -s being taken for plural]

anān'drous, a. (bot.). Without stamens. [f. Gk *anandros* husbandless (AN- (5) + *andrōs* male) + -OUS]

an'apaest, n. (Prosody) foot consisting of two short syllables followed by one long. Hence **anapaes'tic** a. [f. L f. Gk *anapaistos* reversed (ANA- + *paistō* strike)]

anāph'ora, n. Repetition of word or phrase in successive clauses. [L, f. Gk *anaphora* -carrying back f. ANA(pherō bear)]

an'arch (-k), n. (poet.). Leader of revolt. [f. Gk *anarkhos* without ruler (AN- (5) + *arkhōs*)]

anarc'hic(al) (-k-), *aa.* Lawless. Hence **anarc'hical^{ly}** *adv.* [as prec. + -IO, -ICAL]

an'arch|ist (-k-), *n.* Advocate of anarchy. So **~ISM** (-k-) *n.* [as prec. + -IST]

an'archy (-k-), *n.* Absence of government; disorder; confusion. [*f.* Gk *anarkhia* (as prec.)]

anár'throus, *a.* (Gk Gram.) used without the article; (Physiol.) jointless. [*f.* AN- (5) + Gk *arthron* joint, article, + -OUS]

anasár'cia, *n.* A dropsical affection. Hence **~OUS** *a.* [*f.* Gk *ana* up + *sarka* (nom. *sarx*) flesh]

anastát'ic, *a.* In relief; *~ printing* (from reliefs on zinc plates). [*f.* Gk *anastatos* set up (ANASTA-stand up) + -IO]

anastigmát'ic, *a.* Free from astigmatism (used esp. of photographic lenses in which this error is corrected). So (by back-formation thr. G) **anastig'mát n.**, lens, or lens-system, so corrected. [AN- (5) + ASTIGMATIC]

anás'tomōse (-z), *v.i.* Communicate by anastomosis. [*f.* F *anastomoser* (*anastomose* = foll.)]

anástomō'sis, *n.* (pl. -ō'ses). Cross connexion of arteries, branches, rivers, etc. [*f.* Gk, *f.* *anastomōō* furnish with mouth (*stoma*), see -OSIS]

anáth'ēma, *n.* Accursed thing; curse of God; curse of the church, excommunicating a person or denouncing a doctrine; imprecation. [*L.* = excommunicated person, excommunication, *f.* Gk *anathema* thing devoted, (later) accursed thing (ANATITHĒMI set up)]

anáth'ēmatize, *v.t. & i.* Curse. [*f.* F *anathématiser* *f.* *L.* *f.* Gk *anathematizō* (as prec., see -IZE)]

ánatōm'ical, *a.* Belonging to anatomy; structural. Hence **~LY** *adv.* [*f.* *L.* *f.* Gk *anatōmikos* (as ANATOMY, see -IO)]

anát'omist, *n.* Dissector of bodies; (fig.) analyser. [*f.* F *anatomiste*, see foll. & -IST]

anát'omize, *v.t. & i.* Dissect; (fig.) analyse. [*f.* med. *L.* *anatomizare* *f.* *anatōmia* ANATOMY, as if *f.* a Gk *anatōmizō*]

anát'omý, *n.* Dissection; science of bodily structure; anatomical structure; analysis; (pop.) skeleton, mummy, emaciated creature. [*f.* F *anatomie* *f.* *L.* *f.* Gk *anatōmia* abstr. *n.* = ANATOMĒ *f.* *temnō* out]

anát'ta, -tō, *n.* Orange-red dye, used for colouring cheese. [*f.*]

án'burý, **ámb-**, *n.* Soft tumour on horses & oxen; disease of turnips & allied plants. [perh. = *ang-berry* (OE *ang* painful, cf. *AGNAIL*)]

-ance, *suf.* forming *nn.* of quality or action, chiefly thr. F *-ance* *f.* *L.* *-antia* & *-entia* *f.* *L.* pres. part. in *-ant-*, *-ent-* (nom. *-ans*, *-ens*). OF gave *-ance* both for existing *L.* *-antia*, *-entia*, & for *ws* formed in F on same model; thus, *assistance*, *nut-sauce*, where *L.* would have *-antia*. Later

F followed *L.* vowel; *délicate, tempérance* (*L.* *-antia*), but *diligence, prudence* (*L.* *-entia*). E adopted F forms of both kinds, & usu. retains F form; but after 1600 *-ence* was in some *ws* restored where *L.* would have *-entia*, & mod. formations follow *L.* vowel. F *-ance* also became living *suf.* in E on native *vbs* as *further-ance*, *forbearance*, *riddance*.

án'cést|or, *n.* Any of those from whom one's father or mother is descended, fore-father. Hence **~RESS** *n.* [*f.* OF *ancessor*, *f.* *L.* *antecessor*, *-orem*, *f.* ANTE- (*cedere* cess- go), see -OR¹]

áncés'tral, *a.* Belonging to, inherited from, ancestors. [*f.* OF *ancestrel* (*ancestre*, see prec. & -AL)]

án'cēstry, *n.* Ancestral lineage; ancient descent; ancestors. [*f.* OF *ancesserie* (as ANCESTOR, see -Y¹)]

anchithere (áng'kithēr), *n.* Fossil animal, size of small pony, regarded as ancestor of the horse. [*f.* Gk *agkhi* near + *thērion* wild beast]

ánc'hor¹ (-k-), *n.* Heavy iron, composed of long shank, with ring at one end to which cable is fastened, & at other end two barbed arms, used for mooring ship to bottom of sea etc.; *sheet, bower, kedgē*, *~*, (largest, middle, smallest size); (fig.) source of confidence; *cast, weigh*, *~*, let down, take up, *~*; *at ~*, anchored; *come to (an) ~*, anchor; *~plate*, heavy piece of timber or metal serving as point of support for cables of suspension-bridge etc.; *~stroke* (Bill.), a kind of cannon; *~watch*, watch set while ship lies at *~*. [OE *ancor* *f.* *L.* *ancora* (not *anch-*) perh. cogn. w. or adoption of Gk *agkura* (st. *agk-* hook)]

ánc'hor² (-k-), *v.t. & i.* Secure (ship) with anchor; (fig.) fix firmly; (intr.) cast anchor, come to anchor. [perh. *f.* F *ancrer* *f.* *ancra* anchor]

ánc'horage (-k-), *n.* Anchoring; lying at anchor; *~ground*; (fig.) thing to depend upon; *~dues*. [prec. + -AGE]

ánc'horēs, **ánc'rēs**, (-k-), *n.* Female anchorite. [*f.* obs. *anchor* (OE *ancora*, short form of *L.* *anchoreta*, see foll. + -SS¹)]

ánc'horēt, -rite, (-k-), *n.* Hermit; person of secluded habits. Hence **ánc'horēt'io** (-k-) *a.* [*f.* F *anchoreté* *f.* *L.* *anchoreta* (med. *L.* *-ita*) *f.* Gk *anakhōrētēs* (ANAKHōrēō retire, see -ISM), influenced by OE *ancora*, see prec.]

ánc'hōv'y (or *án'cho-*), *n.* Small fish of herring family; *~paste* & *~sauce*, *~toast*, (made, spread, with anchovies); *~pear*, W.-Indian fruit eaten like mango. [*f.* Sp. *anchova* perh. *f.* Basque *anchua* (perh. = *antua* dry)]

anchusa (ángkūs'a), *n.* Kinds of hairy-stemmed plant, such as alkanet & bugloss. [*L.*]

ánc'hylōse (-kīlōs), *v.t. & i.* (Of joints, bones) stiffen, unite. [*f.* foll.]

anachylosis (ángkí-), n. Formation of stiff joint by consolidation of articulating surfaces. [f. Gk *agkylōsis* (*agkulos* crook f. *agkulos*, see -OSIS); -ch- for -c- to preserve hard sound]

ancien régime (see Ap.), n. Time before French Revolution. [F]

ancient¹ (-shent), a. & n. Belonging to times long past (esp. before fall of Western Roman Empire); having existed, lived, long (~ *lights*, window that neighbour may not deprive of light by building); *the A~ of Days*, God; *the ~s*, civilized nations of antiquity. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *ancien* f. LL *antianus* (ante before, see -AN); -i by confus. w. -ENT]

ancient² (-shent), n. (arch.). = ENSIGN. [corrupt.]

ancientry (-shen-), n. Ancientness; old-fashioned style. [ANCIENT¹ + -RY]

ancillary (or ánt-), a. Subservient, subordinate, (to). [f. L *ancillarius* (*ancilla* handmaid, see -ARY¹)]

anclie. See ANKLE.

ancon (ángkon), n. (Physiol.) elbow; (Archit.) quoin of wall or rafter, console, pretended support to cornice; *A~ sheep*, race with long bodies & short legs, the forelegs crooked. [L, f. Gk *agkōn* bend, elbow] -ancy, suf. Mod. E different. f. -ANCE (see -Y²), usu. denoting only quality or state, as opposed to -ance, which has besides this meaning that of action or process.

and (and, *emphat.* ánd), conj. connecting words, clauses, and sentences, as *cakes ~ buns*, *black ~ brown bread*, *buy ~ sell*. Special uses: *four ~ twenty* (but *twenty-four*); *two hundred ~ forty*, *two thousand ~ forty* (but *two thousand four hundred*); *two ~ ten pence*, *two pounds ~ ten pence* (but *two pound ten*); *miles ~* (=innumerable) *miles*; *nice ~* (=nicely) *thin*; *try ~* (to) *come*, *mind ~* (to) *bring*; *there are books ~* (different kinds of, good & bad) *books*; *two ~ two*, by twos; *stir, ~* (=if you stir) *you are a dead man*; and/or, formula allowing reader to take either or both of two expressions (*contributions in money and/or payments*). [OE & prop. -against, *end* conj], f. O'Ent. +*anda*, +*and*]

Andalusian (ándaló'shn), n. & a. (Native) of Andalusia, a province of Spain; || ~ *wool*, fine soft kind; ~ (*fowl*), bluish-black domestic fowl. [-AN]

andante, adv. & n. (mus.). (Movement) in moderately slow time. [It.]

andante¹ (-tē), adv. & n. (Movement) rather quicker (orig. slower) than *andante*. [It., dim. of prec.]

Anderson shelter (án-), n. Portable arched corrugated-steel air-raid shelter. [Sir J. Anderson, Home Secretary (1939-40)]

ándiron (-fín), n. Firedog, for supporting burning wood on hearth. [f. OF *andier* (mod. F *landier*), etym. dub.]

androecium (-rē-), n. (bot.). The stamens taken collectively. [f. Gk *andro-* male + *oikion* house]

ándrogynous, a. Hermaphrodite, whence ~Y¹ n.; (Bot.) with stamens & pistils in same flower or on same plant. [f. L f. Gk *androgynos* (*anēr andros* male + *gynē* woman) + -OUS]

-ane, suf. 1. Variant of -AN, usu. w. differentiation (*germane*, *urbane*, *humane*), but sometimes alone (*mundane*). 2. (Chem.) formed to give a series with Gk -ENE, -INE, -ONE, for naming hydrocarbon types.

ánecdōtage, n. Anecdotes; (Joc.) garrulous old age. [-AGE]

ánecdōtic, n. Narrative of detached incident; (pl. ~s) unpublished details of history. Hence ~IST n., ~AL, *ánecdōtic* (AL), aa. [f. med. L f. Gk *anekdōta* things unpublished (AN- (5) + *ekdōta* f. *ekdidōmi* give out)]

anēle, v.t. (arch.). Anoint; give extreme unction to. [orig. *anellen* (AN- (1) + *elien* oil f. OE *ele*, n. f. L *oleum*)]

anémograph (-ahf), n. Instrument for recording on paper the direction & force of wind. Hence ~gráph'io a. [f. Gk *anemos* wind + -GRAPH]

anēmōmēter, n. Instrument for measuring force of wind, whence *ánēmōmēt'ric* a., *ánēmōmētray* n.; apparatus for showing wind-pressure in organ. [as prec. + -METER]

anēmōnē, n. Genus of plants, esp. *A~ nemorosa* (also called *Wind-flower*); *Sea A~*, popular name of various actinoid zoophytes. [f. L f. Gk *anemōnē* daughter of the wind (as prec. + -ONē patronymic suf.)]

ánēmōph'lious, a. Wind-fertilized. [f. Gk *anemos* wind, see -PHIL]

anēt', prep. (arch., Sc.). Concerning. [OE has on *esen* on a level with]

-aneous, suf. f. L adj]. in -aneus (-an- + -eo-) + -OUS.

án'eroid, a. & n. ~ (*barometer*), one that measures air-pressure by its action on elastic lid of box exhausted of air, not by height of fluid column. [f. F *anéroïde* (Gk *a-* not + *nēros* wet, see -OID)]

án'euryēm, -ism (-nū-), n. Morbid dilatation of an artery; abnormal enlargement. Hence *áneuryē'mal*, -is'mal (-nū'iz-), a. [f. Gk *aneurysma* (*aneurundō* widen out f. *eurus* wide)]

anew, adv. Again; in a different way [A- (3) + NEW]

ánfráctōs'it'y, n. Circuitousness, intricacy, (lit. & fig.); (usu. pl.) winding passage. [f. F *anfractuosité* f. L *anfractuosis* f. *anfractus* a bending (amb- about + *frangere* fract- break), see -OSIS + -TY]

áng'ary (-ngg-), n. (law). Bellicerent's right (subject to compensation) of seizing or destroying neutral property under stress of military necessity. [f. mod. L

angaria f. Gk *aggarela* (*aggaros* Persian courier)

ān'gel (-j-), n. Divine messenger; *visits, like those of ~s, short & far between; entertain an ~ unawares*, do service to one who proves to be an important person etc. (Heb. xiii. 2); lovely or innocent being; minister of loving offices; old English gold coin (in full ~*noble*), from 6s. 8d. to 10s., showing Michael piercing dragon; *good, evil, ~*, attendant spirits; ~ (messenger) of death; ~*fish*, kind of shark; ~*s, devils, on-horseback*, savoury of oysters wrapped in slices of bacon. [f. L *angelus* f. Gk *aggelos* messenger, used to transl. Heb. *mal'ak* messenger (of Jehovah)]

āngēl'ic (-j-), a. Pertaining to angels; like an angel, of superhuman qualities; *~ Doctor*, Thomas Aquinas. Hence *~AL* a., *~ally* adv. [f. F *angélique* f. L f. Gk *aggelikos* (as prec., see -IO)]

āngēl'ica (-j-), n. Aromatic plant, used in cooking & medicine; candied ~ root. [f. med. L (*herba*) *angelica* angelic herb]

āngēlō'atry (-j-), n. Angel-worship. [f. Gk *aggelos*, see ANGEL & LATER]

āngēlō'ogy (-j-), n. Doctrine as to angels. [as prec. + -LOGY]

ān'gelus (-j-), n. Devotional exercise commemorating Incarnation, said by Roman Catholics at morning, noon, & sunset, at sound of bell (~*bell* or ~). [f. opening words *Angelus domini*]

āng'er¹ (-ngg-), n. Rage, hot displeasure. [f. ON *angr* trouble (root *ang* strait)]

āng'er² (-ngg-), v.t. Make angry, enrage. [f. ON *angra* vex (as prec.)]

An'gēvin (ān-j-), a. & n. Of Anjou, of the Plantagenets, including English kings from Henry II to Richard II; (n.) a Plantagenet. [F]

āngin'a (-j-), n. Quinsy; ~ *pē'toria*, spasm of chest resulting from over-exertion when heart is diseased. [L *angina* quinsy (formerly thought to be *angina*, whence usu. E pronounce), cf. *angere* choke & Gk *agkhonē* strangling]

ān'glo- (-j-) in comb. = Gk *angelon* vessel dim. of *aggos* chest, chiefly in terms relating to seed- or blood-vessels.

angle¹ (āng-gl), n. Space between two meeting lines or planes; inclination of two lines to each other; ACUTE, OBTUSE, RIGHT, ~; corner; sharp projection; (fig.) point of view; ~*iron*, L-shaped piece of iron to strengthen framework; ~*wise*, angularly. Hence (-)angled² (āng-gl'd) a. [F, f. L *angulus* dim. of *angus*, cf. Gk *agelos* bend]

angle² (āng-gl), n., & v.i. Fish-hook (obs. exc. in *brother of the ~*, angler); (vb) fish with hook & bait (for or aba.), lit. & fig. [f. Gk *angel* cogn. w. OHG *angul* mod. *Ängel*, cf. L *uncus* & *angulus*, see prec.]

āng'gēd, n. (Pl.) Low-German dialect in Northumbria, Mercia, &

E. Anglia. [f. L *Anglus* f. OTeut. *angli-* (OE *engel*) f. *Angul* a district of Schleswig-Holstein (as prec.)]

āng'ler (-ngg-) n. One who angles; (Zool.) a British fish that preys upon small fish, attracting them by filaments attached to head & mouth. [f. ANGLE² + -ER¹]

Ang'lican (āngg-), a. & n. (Adherent) of the reformed church of England, esp. of High Church principles; ~ *chant*, short harmonized melody in two or more phrases each beginning with a reciting note, for singing to unmetrical words (psalms, canticles). Hence ~ISM n. [f. med. L *Anglicanus* (*Anglicus* f. *Angli* English)]

Anglice (āng-glīsē), adv. In English. [L] **Ang'licism** (āngg-), n. English idiom; English political principles. [f. foll., see -ISM]

Ang'licize (āngg-), v.t. Make English in form or character. [f. L *Anglicus* English + -IZE]

Ang'lo- (āngg-) in comb. English, as ~ *Catholic*; of English origin, as ~ *American*; half English & half —, as ~ *French* (*entente* etc.); ~ *Indian* a. & n., of British birth but living or having lived long in India, (in Eurasian use) Eurasian. [comb. form of L *Anglus* English]

Anglo-Cāth'olic, a. & n. (Member) of the party that insists on the catholicity of the Church of England & repudiates the epithet *protestant*. [prec.]

Anglomān'ia (āngg-), n. Excessive admiration of English customs. So **Ang'lo-phile**, **Ang'lophobe**, **Anglophobia**, (āngg-), nn. [prec. + -MANIA]

Anglo-Sāx'on, a. & n. English Saxon (as distinct from Old Saxons of the continent); Old English (people, language) before Norman Conquest (in this dictionary called OE); of English descent (wherever found), whence ~DOM n. [f. L *Anglo-Saxones* (pl.)]

Anglo-Sāx'onism (āngg-), n. Belief in claims of the Anglo-Saxon race. [prec. + -ISM]

āngō'l'a, **āngōr'a**, (-ngg-), n. Fabric made from wool of angora goat; ~ *cat* (long-haired variety). [f. *Angora* (L *Ancyra*, Gk *Agkura*), town in Asia Minor, corrupted to *angola*]

āngōstūr'a, **āngūs-**, (-ngg-), a. & n. Bark used as febrifuge & tonic, as ~ *bitters*. [f. *Angustura*, town on the Orinoco, now Ciudad Bolívar]

āng'rīj (-ngg-), a. Enraged, wrathful, resentful, (*at, about, thing, at, with*, person); irritable, passionate; (of wound, sore, etc.) inflamed, painful. Hence ~*LY* adv. [f. ANGER n. + -Y²]

Ång'ström (āng'stēm) ūn'it, n. A hundred-millionth of a centimetre, used in expressing short wave-lengths (abbr. A.U.). [A. J. Ångström, Swedish physicist]

ang'vine (-nggw-), a. Snake-like. [f. L *anguis* snake, see -INX¹]

ang'uish (-nggw-), n. Severe bodily or mental pain. [f. OF *anguisse*, *angoisse* choking (It. *angoscia*) f. L *angustia* tightness (*angustus*, cf. *ANGINA*)]

ang'ular (-ngg-), a. Having angles; sharp-cornered; placed in, at, an angle; measured by angle, as ~ *divergence*; wanting plumpness; wanting suavity. Hence **ang'ulá'rity** (-ngg-) n., ~LY² (-ngg-) adv. [f. L *angularis* (*angulus* *ANGLE*, see -AR¹)]

ang'ulate (-ngg-), a. Formed with corners. Hence ~ATE² (-ngg-) v.t., ~A'TION (-ngg-) n. [f. L *angulare*, see -ATE²]

ang'us'ti- (-ngg-) in comb. With narrow —, as ~foliate, ~rostrate, (leaves, beak). [L *angustus* narrow]

anhýd'rous, a. (chem.). Without water of crystallization. [f. Gk *anudros* (AN- (5) + *hudrō* water) + -OUS]

ánicón'ic, a. (Gk ant.). (Of idols & symbols) not shaped in human or animal form. [AN- (5) + *ICONIC*]

án'icút, ann-, n. (Anglo-Ind.). River-dam in S. India built for irrigation purposes. [f. Tamil *anai-kattu* dam-building]

anigh (ani'), adv. & prep. Near. [mod. sham archaism, after *afar*]

án'il, n. Indigo (shrub & dye). [F. = Sp. *añil* f. Arab. *an-níl* (at the + *níl* f. Skr. *nīli* indigo)]

án'ile, a. Old-womanish; imbecile. [f. L *anilis* (anus old woman, see -ILE)]

án'iline, n. A chemical base, the source of many dyes, obtained originally from indigo, now chiefly from coal-tar. [ANIL + -INE²]

anil'ity, n. Dotage. [f. L *anilitas* (ANILE, see -TY)]

ánimadver'sion (-shn), n. Criticism; censure. [f. L *animadversio* (*animadvertere* -vers-, see foll. and -ION)]

ánimadvért', v.i. Pass criticism or censure on (conduct, fault, etc.). [f. L *animadvertere* f. *animus* mind + AD(*vertere* -vers- turn)]

án'imál, n. & a. 1. Organized being endowed (more or less perceptibly) with life, sensation, & voluntary motion; other ~ than man; quadruped; a brutish man. 2. adj. Pertaining to the functions of ~s, as ~ *spirits* (natural buoyancy), ~ *magnetism* (mesmerism); pertaining to ~s as opp. to vegetables; carnal. Hence ~LY² adv. [L, for *animale* neut. of *animalis* having breath (*anima* breath, see -AI); the adj. orig. f. L adj.]

ánimál'cúle, n. Microscopic animal. [f. L *animalculum* (*animal*, see prec. & -CULM)]

ánimál'cúl'ism, n. Reference of physiological phenomena to agency of animalcules. So ~IST n. [f. prec. + -ISM]

án'imálistm, n. Animal activity; sensuality; doctrine that men are mere animals. [ANIMAL + -ISM]

ánimál'itý, n. Animal nature or system; merely animal nature; the animal world. [f. F *animalité* (*animal* a., see -TY)]

án'imálist's, v.t. Convert into animal substance, sensualize. Hence ~A'TION n. [ANIMAL + -IZE]

án'imáte, a. Living; lively. [f. L *animare* quicken, see -ATE²]

án'imát'e, v.t. Breathe life into; enliven, make lively, as an ~ed discussion; inspirit (esp. in p.p.); inspire, actuate. Hence ~ÉDIY² adv., *ánima'tion* n., (esp.) ardour, vivacity, ~OR² n., (also, Cinemat.) artist who prepares ~ed cartoons. [f. prec., see -ATE²]

án'imé (-mā), n. A W. Indian resin used in making varnish; other resins. [F. = animated (by the many insects contained)]

án'im'ism, n. Doctrine of the *anima mundi* (that phenomena of animal life are produced by an immaterial soul); attribution of living soul to inanimate objects & natural phenomena; spiritualism (as opposed to materialism). Hence ~IST n., ~is't'ica f. [f. L *anima* life, soul + -ISM]

ánimós'itý, n. Active enmity (*against, between*). [f. F *animosité* f. L *animositatem* (*animosus* spirited f. foll., see -OSE & -TY)]

án'imus, n. (no pl.). Animating spirit; animosity. [L. = soul, mind, mental impulse]

án'ion, n. Electro-negative element evolved at anode during electrolysis (opp. CATION). [Gk. = going up (ANA-, *émi go*)]

án'ise, n. Umbelliferous plant with aromatic seeds. [f. F *anise* f. L f. Gk *anison*, *anethon*, anise, dill]

án'iseed, n. Seed of anise, used as a carminative.

ánisétte' (-z), n. Liqueur flavoured with aniseed. [F, dim. of *anis* anise]

ánis'o- in comb. Unequal, as ~om'erous, unsymmetrical, ~osthén'ic, of unequal strength. [f. Gk *anisos* (AN- (5) + *isos* equal)]

ánk'er, n. Measure of wine & spirits in Holland, N. Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Russia, & formerly in England (8½ imp. gals); cask holding the quantity. [Du., etym. dub.]

ankh (angk), n. (Egypt. ant.). Key-like cross as symbol of enduring life & generative energy. [Egyptian, = life]

ankle, angle, (angk'l), n. Joint connecting foot with leg; slender part between this & calf. [earlier *ankel* (Du. *enkel*, G *enkel*) f. root *ank-* bend (cf. L *angulus*); OE has *encleow* perh. f. Du. *anklaerus* (ending assim. to *klaauw* claw)]

ánk'lét, n. Ornament or support for ankle. [prec. + -LET]

án'n'a, n. Indian scallop-edged nickel coin, the sixteenth part of a rupee (see *PIE²* & *PICE*). [Hind. *ana*]

ann'alist, n. Writer of annals. Hence **annalis'tic** a. [f. foll. + -IST]

ann'als (-z), n. pl. Narrative of events year by year; historical records. [f. L *annales* (*libri*) yearly (books) f. *annus* year, -AL]

ann'ates (-ts), n. pl. (Rom. Cath.) first year's revenue of see or benefice, paid to Pope. [f. F *annate* f. med. L *annata* year's proceeds (*annus*, see -ADE)]

anneal' (-ēl), v.t. Toughen by gradually diminishing heat, temper (lit. & fig.). [f. AN- (1) + OE *ætan* burn, bake; partly also f. OF *neeler* enamel f. LL *nigellare* blacken (*nigellus*, dim. of *niger*)]

annéc'tent, a. Connecting, as ~ *link*. [f. L as ANNEX, see -ENT]

Annél'ida, n. pl. (zool.). The class of segmented worms. Hence **ann'elid'** n., **annél'idan** a. [mod. L, f. F *annelés* ringed (OF *annel* ring f. L *an(n)ellus* dim. of *annulus* ring) + *ida*, cf. -ID¹]

annëx', v.t. Add as subordinate part; append (to book etc.); take possession of (territory etc.); attach as an attribute, addition, or consequence. Hence or cogn. **ABNEX** a., **annëx'a'tion** n. [f. F *annexer* f. *annex* thing joined f. L AN- (*nectere* nex- bind)]

annëx(e), n. Addition to a document; supplementary building. [F (-ze), see prec.]

annihilät'e (-nif-), v.t. Blot out of existence. Hence ~OR¹ n. [f. L *annihilare* (*nihil* nothing), see -AT¹]

annihilä'tion (-nif-), n. Utter destruction; (Theol.) destruction of soul as well as body, whence ~ISM, ~IST, nn. [F (*annihilier* f. L as prec., see -ATON)]

annivers'ary, n. Yearly return of a date; celebration of this. [f. L *anniversarius* (*annus* year + *versus* turned, see -ARY¹)]

ann'ō aetät'is sū'ae, phr. In the — year of his or her age. [L]

Ann'ō Döm'ini (-ē-), phr. In the year of our Lord, of the Christian era. (usu. A.D.); || (colloq., as n.) advancing age (~ is the trouble). [L]

ann'otäte, v.t. & i. Furnish with notes (book, author); (v.i.) make notes (on). So ~A'TION, ~äTOR¹, nn. [f. L *annotare* (*nota* mark), see -AT¹]

announce', v.t. Proclaim; intimate the approach of; make known (without words) to senses or mind. Hence ~MENT (-sm-), **announ'cë'** (esp. of items to be broadcast), nn. [f. OF *anonce* f. L *annuntiare* (*nuntius* messenger)]

annoy', n. (arch., poet.). Annoyance. [f. OF *anoi*, *enoi* (OSp. *enojo*, OVenet. *inodio*) f. L phr. *in odio* in hatred, hateful; ~- doubled by assim. to *ennoie* etc.]

annoy', v.t. Irritate; molest; harass. [f. OF *anover*, *anover* f. rom.-Rom. *inociare* (as prec.)]

annoy'ance, n. Molestation; vexation; disgust. [f. OF *anvoiance*, *anvoiance* (*annuit*, see prec. & -ANCE)]

ann'ual, a. & n. Reckoned by the year; recurring yearly; lasting for one year; (plant) that lives only for a year; (book etc.) published in yearly numbers. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. OF *annuel* f. L *annuallis* = class. L *annalis* (*annus* year, see -AL)]

annū'itant, n. One who holds an annuity. [f. foll. + -ANT, by assim. to *accountant* etc.]

annū'ity, n. Sum payable in respect of a particular year; yearly grant; investment of money entitling investor to series of equal annual sums; *life, terminable, perpetual*, ~ (ceasing at death of investor, after specified term, on repayment of principal); *immediate, deferred or reversionary*, ~ (commencing at end of first interval of payment after investment, after specified interval or event). [f. F *annuité* f. med. L *annuitatem* (*annuus* yearly, see -RY)]

annū'l', v.t. (-l-). Annihilate; abolish, cancel; declare invalid. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *annuler* (mod. F *annuler*) f. LL *annullare* (*nullus* none)]

ann'ular, a. Ring-like; ~ *space* (between inner & outer surface of cylinder); ~ *ligament* (girding wrist & ankle); ~ *eclipse* of sun (when moon, projected on sun's disk, leaves ring of light visible). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *an(n)ularis* (*an(n)ulus* ring, see -AR¹)]

ann'ulate, -äted, aa. Furnished, marked, with rings; formed of rings. Hence **annūla'tion** n. [f. L *annulatus* (as foll., see -AT¹)]

ann'ülét, n. Small ring; (Archit.) small fillet encircling column. [f. L *annulus* ring + -ET¹]

ann'üloid, a. Ring-like. So **ann'üloes'** a. [as prec. + -OID]

annün'ciäte (-sh-), v.t. Proclaim; intimate as coming or ready. [f. L *annuntiare* ANNOUNCE, see -AT¹]

annünciä'tion (-si-), n. Announcement; (A~) that of the incarnation, made by the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary, festival commemorating this, Lady-day, March 25th. [f. F *annunciation* -L L *annuntiationem* (as prec., see -ATON)]

annün'ciätor (-sh-), n. Announcer; indicator showing in which direction attendance summoned by bell or telephone is needed. [f. L *annuntiator* (as prec., see -OR¹)]

äno-, pref. -Gk *anō* adv., upward; in scientific terms, as ~car'pous, (of ferns) having fructification on upper part of frond; ~pën'c, developed upwardly or inwardly.

än'öde, n. (Electr.) positive pole (cf. CATHODE). [f. Gk *anodos* way up (*ana* up + *odos* way)]

än'odyne, a. & n. (Medicine, drug) able to assuage pain; (anything) mentally soothing. [f. L f. Gk *anōdynos* painless (AN- (5) + *edunō* pain)]

anæst'ic, a. (psych.). Characterized by *anæst'is*, consciousness with sensation but without thought. [f. AN- (5) + Gk *noēsis* perceptible + -IC]

anoint', v.t. Apply ointment, oil, to (esp. as religious ceremony at baptism or on consecration as priest or king); moisten, rub; *the Lord's Anointed*, Christ, (also) king by divine right. [f. obs. adj. *anointi* f. OF *enoint* p.p. of *enoindre* f. L *in* (ungere unct-)]

anōmalis'tic, a. (astron.). ~ *year*, time earth takes to pass from perihelion to perihelion; ~ *month*, time moon takes to pass from perigee to perigee. [f. Gk *anōmalos* ANOMALOUS + -IST + -IC]

anōmal'ous, a. Irregular; abnormal. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L f. Gk *anōmalos* (AN- (5) + *homalos* even)]

anōm'alūre, n. African scale-tailed squirrel. [f. Gk *anōmalos* anomalous + *oura* tail]

anōm'al'y, n. Unevenness of motion etc.; irregularity; (Astron.) angular distance of planet or satellite from its last perihelion or perigee. [f. L f. Gk *anōmalia* (*anōmalos* see prec.)]

ān'omo- in comb. Irregular, as ~*carp'ous*, bearing unusual fruit, ~*phyl'ous*, with leaves irregularly placed. [f. Gk *anomos* without law (a- not + *nomos*)]

anōn', adv. Soon, presently; (of contrast) now again; *ever & ~*, every now & then. [OE *on an* into one, *on ane* in one (body, mind, state, way, movement, moment)]

ānona'ceous (-ā'shus), a. Pertaining to the custard-apple family *Annonaceae* (formerly *Anonaceae*). [-ACROUS]

ān'on'y'm, n. Person who remains nameless; pseudonym. [f. F *anonyme* (as foll.)]

ānon'y'm'it'y, n. State of being anonymous. [as foll., see -TY]

anōn'y'mous, a. (abbr. *anon.*). Of unknown name; of unknown authorship. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. Gk *anōnumos* nameless (AN- (5) + *onoma* name)]

anōph'elēs (-z), n. Kinds of (esp. malarial) mosquito. [Gk, = hurtful (a- not, *ōphelēs* benefit)]

anōs'mia, n. Loss of sense of smell. [mod. L f. AN- (5) + Gk *osmē* smell]

anoth'er (-idh-), pron. & a. (pl. *other* a., *others* pron.). An additional (one), as *try ~ pear*, *try ~*; || unnamed additional party to legal action (*X versus Y & ~*); || (in list of cricket eleven etc., written *A. N. Other*) anonymous player or one still to be selected; a counterpart to, as ~ *Solomon*; *such ~*, ~ of the same sort; a different (one), as *take this towel away & bring me ~*; (contrasted or coupled with one) *one man's meat is ~ man's poison*, *taken one with ~*; *ONE ~*. [AN + OTHER; in OE *other* was used by itself,

an not yet being weakened to indef. article]

anour'ous (-oor-), a. Tailless. [f. AN- (5) + Gk *oura* tail + -OUS]

anschl'uss (ān'shlōbs), n. Union. [G]

ān'serine, a. Of, like, a goose; silly. [f. L *anserinus* (*anser* goose, see -IN¹)]

answer¹ (āhn'ser), n. Reply; defence; solution; thing done in return. [orig. = solemn affirmation to rebut a charge, OE *andswaru* f. OTeut. *andward-* (and- against + ¹*ward-* affirmation f. *swerjan*, OE *swerian* swear)]

answer² (āhn'ser), v.t. & i. Reply to or to, as ~ *me*, *my question*, to *me*, to *my question*; ~ *to* (acknowledge, have) *the name of X*; ~ (summons) *to the door*; reply to (charge); be responsible (for person or thing); ~ (correspond to, also ~ *to*) *my hopes*, *your description*; ~ (fulfil) *my purpose*; *will not ~* (do, succeed); ~ *back* (vulg.). ~ *rebuke* saucily. [OE *andswarian* (as prec.)]

answerable (āhn'ser-), a. Responsible (to person, for act); (arch.) corresponding (to). [prec. + -ABLE]

ānt, n. A small social hymenopterous insect celebrated for industry, emmet, pismire; ~-*bear*, the great ~-*eater*; ~-*eggs*, larvae of ~; ~-*catcher*, ~-*thrush*, bird of thrush family living on ~; ~-*eater*, name of various animals that live on ~; ~-*fly*, winged ~, used as bait in angling; ~-*hill*, mound over ~-*nest*, conical nest of termites; *White Ant*, termite, destructive social insect of neuropterous order. [OE *æmete*, *emete*, cogn. w. WG ¹*amatiþ* (ā off + *matian* out); *æmete* became *ant*, *emete* EMMET]

ant- = ANTI- before vowel.

-ant, suf. forming adj. (& nn.) f. F *-ant* (or direct) f. L *-anitem*, *-entem*, *-entem*, accus. of pres. part. (nom. *-ans*, *-ens*). OF levelled all L part. under ending *-ant*, though later F preserved L *-ent*. E adopted F *-ant* as *-ant*, which on loss of accent reappeared as *-ant* (*defiant* L *diffidentem*, *pliant* L *placantem*, *servicant* L *servientem*, *tenant* L *tenentem*). Most old wds retain *-ant*, but since 1500 some have been refash., universally (*apparent*) or partly (*dependent*, *-ant*); *belligerant* (L *belligerare*) is wrongly changed to *-ent* on L *gerere*. Mod. wds in *-ant* are f. L *-ant*, direct or thr. F, or on L anal. (rarely where no vb exists, as *benignant* on anal. of *malignant*). Noun meanings: (1) personal agent, (2) thing, esp. drug, producing effect.

āntā'cid, a. & n. Preventive of acidity (esp. in stomach). [ANT + ACID]

āntāg'onism, n. Active opposition (to, against, thing; between two; *come into ~ with*); opposing principle. [f. Gk *antagōnismos* (as foll., see -ISM)]

antāg'onist, n. Opponent, adversary; (Phys.) counteracting muscle. Hence **~is'tic** a., **~is'tically** adv. [f. Gk *antagōnistēs* (as foll., see -IST)]

antāg'onize, v.t. (Of a force etc.) counteract, tend to neutralize, (another); evoke hostility in, provoke to opposition, make into an enemy; 'oppose, resist. [f. Gk *antagōnikos* (*agōn* contest, see -IZE)]

antāl'kal, i, n. Substance that counteracts an alkali. Hence **~ine** a. [ANT- + ALKALI]

antāphrodīs'iāc (-z), a. & n. Preventive of venereal desire. [f. ANT- + APHERODISIAO]

antārc'tic, a. Southern, of south polar regions; **~ Pole**, S. pole of earth or heavens; **~ Circle**, parallel of 66° 32' S. [refash. f. OF *antartique* f. L f. Gk *ant(arktikos)* ARCTIC]

antē, n., & v.t. Stake put up by poker-player before drawing new cards; (v.t.) put up (an ~); *(transf.) to bet, stake, pay up. [L, = before]

antē, pref. = L *ante* before, prep. & adv., used esp. in E to form adj. with or without adj. ending, as **~reforma'tion(al)**; **~bellum**, (L phr. =) before the war (used attrib. or as adj.); **~Commun'ion** (Service), Anglican Communion Service to end of prayer for the 'Church militant'; **~post**, (of racing bets) made before the runners' numbers are posted on the board.

antécéd'ence, n. Precedence, priority, (in time or causal relation); (Astron.) retrograde motion. [f. L *antecedentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

antécéd'ent, a. & n. 1. Previous (*to*); presumptive, a priori. 2. n. Preceding thing or circumstance; (Logic) the part of a conditional proposition on which the other depends; (Gram.) noun, clause, sentence, to which a following (esp. relative) pronoun or adverb refers; (Math.) first term of a ratio; (pl.) past history (esp. of persons). Hence **~ly** adv. [f. F *antécédent* f. L *antem(cedere)* go, see -ANT]

anté'chamber, n. Room leading to chief apartment. [f. F *antichambre* (*anti-* for ANTE- + *chambre* CHAMBER)]

anté'chapel, n. Outer part at west end of chapel. [ANTE- + CHAPEL]

anté'daté, n. Date before the true time (esp. of writing). [ANTE- + DATE n.]

anté'daté, v.t. Affix, assign, an earlier than the true date to (document, event); precede; anticipate. [f. prec.]

antédilu'vian (-lōv), a. & n. Belonging, referring, appropriate, to the time before the flood; (n.) old-fashioned person, (also) very old person. [f. ANTE- + L *diluvium* DELUGE + -AN]

anté'lōpe, n. Deer-like ruminant genus of animals. [f. OF *antelope* f. L *antelopos* f. Gk *antholops*, etym. dub.]

antē mērk'ā'tēm, phr. (abbr. a.m.). Between midnight & noon, as 7.30 a.m. [L]

antēmūn'dāne, a. Existing, occurring, before creation of world. [f. ANTE- + L *mundus* world + -ANE]

antēnāt'al, a. Previous to birth. [ANTE- + NATAL]

antēnn'a, n. (pl. ~ae). Sensory organ found in pairs on heads of insects & crustacea, feeler; (Bot.) irritable processes in male flower of some orchids; (Wireless) = AERIAL n. Hence **~AL**, **~ARY**, **~if'EROUS**, **~iform**, aa. [L, = sail-yard, perh. f. Gk *analeinō* stretch out]

antēnū'p'tial (-sh), a. Born, occurring, etc., before marriage. [f. ANTE- + L *nuptiae* nuptials + -AL]

antēpē'dium, n. Veil for front of altar. [L *antependium* (*pendere* hang)]

antēpēnūlt', a. & n. Last but two (orig. & usu. of syllables). [abbr. of L (*syllaba*) *antepenultima*, see foll.]

antēpēnūl'timate, a. & n. = prec. [f. L *antepenultimus* (*paene* almost + *ultimus* last) + -ATE]

antēprān'dial, a. Before-dinner. [f. ANTE- + L *prandium* + -AL]

antēr'ior, a. More to the front; prior (*to*). Hence **antēr'iority** n., **~ly** adv. [L, = fore, former, f. *ante* before]

antē-rōōm, n. Room leading to another; (Mil.) sitting-room in officers' mess. [ANTE- + ROOM]

anth- pref. = ANTI- before aspirate.

anthē'ion, n. (pl. -ia). Luminous ring projected on cloud or fog bank opposite to sun. [late Gk, neut. of *anthēios* opposite to sun (ANTH- + *hēlios* sun)]

anthēlmin'tic, a. & n. (Medicine) of use against intestinal worms. [f. ANTH- + Gk *helmins* -*minthos* worm + -IC]

anthēm, n. Composition for church use sung antiphonally; non-metrical composition (usu. from Scriptures or Liturgy) set to sacred music; song of praise or gladness. [OE *antefne* f. Rom. *antefena* f. LL *antifona* f. Gk *antiphōnē*, see ANTI-PHON, E development being *antef'ne*, *antem'ne*, *an'tem*, *an'them*]

anthēr, n. (bot.). Part of stamen containing pollen; **~dust**, pollen; **~valve**, opening by which pollen is shed. Hence **~AL**, **~if'EROUS**, **~oid**, aa. [f. F *anthère* f. L *anthera* medicine extracted from flowers f. Gk *anthera* flowery, fem. adj. f. *anthos*]

anthō'log'y, n. Collection of small choice poems, esp. epigrams, (orig. Greek); literary collection. Hence **~IST** n. [f. L f. Gk *anthologia* (*anthos* flower + *logia* collection f. *legō* gather)]

An'thony (ān'tō-), n. St ~, patron of swineherds; ~, smallest pig of litter; (St) ~'s fire, erysipelas.

ān'thracēne, *n.* Complex hydrocarbon obtained in the distillation of coal-tar, the ultimate source of synthetic alizarin. [*f.* Gk *anthrax* -akos coal + -ENE]

ān'thracite, *n.* Non-bituminous variety of coal. Hence ~it'ic, ~itous, *aa.* [*f.* L *f.* Gk *anthrakitis* coal-like (*anthrax* -akos coal)]

ān'thrāx, *n.* Malignant boil; splenic fever of sheep & cattle; malignant pustule caused in man by infection from animals so affected. [*f.* Gk, =carbuncle]

ānthropo- in comb. = Gk *anthrōpos* man, as: ~ocen'tric, centring in man; ~og'eny, study of origin of man; ~og'raphy, science of geographical distribution of mankind; ~olite, ~olite, (-ōp), fossil man; ~ōm'etry, measurement of human body; ~ōph'agous, ~ōph'agy, man-eating.

ān'thropoid, *a. & n.* Man-like; (*n.*) being that is human in form only, esp. ~ape. [*f.* Gk *anthrōpoidēs* (ANTEROP-, see -OID)]

ānthropōl'ogy, *n.* Whole science of man; physiological & psychological science of man; study of man as an animal. Hence **ānthropōl'ogical** *a.*, **ānthropōl'ogical** *adv.*, **ānthropōl'ogist** *n.* [*as* prec. + -LOGY]

ānthropomōrph'ic, *a.* Of the nature of anthropomorphism. [*as* foll. + -IC]

ānthropomōrph'ize, *v.t.* Attribute human form or personality to (God etc. or abs.). Hence ~ism, ~ist, *nn.* [*as* foll. + -IZE]

ānthropomōrph'ous, *a.* Of human form. [*f.* Gk *anthropomorphos* (*morphē* form) + -OUS]

anti-, *pref.* = Gk *anti* (before unspir. vowel *ant-*, before aspirate *anth-*) opposite, against, in exchange, instead, rivaling: in words *f.* Gk, & as living *pref.* in E (1) combining with nouns to form nouns, *anti-* having *adj.* force = rival (-*pope*, -*king*), opposing, counter, (-*chorus*, -*league*), reverse of (-*climax*); (2) forming *adj.* on nouns governed by *anti-* (-*slavery* society, -*vaccination* league) or on *adj.* implying a noun so governed (-*national*, -*ritualistic*), with sense 'opposed to'; many of these are also nouns, esp. names of medicines (-*dysenteric*); (3) forming derivative nouns & *adj.* by addition of a *suf.*, esp. -*ist*, (-*alcoholist*, -*tobaccoist*, -*sabbatarian*) with sense 'one opposed to', also corresponding abstract *nn.* in -*ism* (-*Darwinism*).

anti-air'craft (-ah-), *a.* ~gun etc. (for shooting down hostile aircraft). [*prec.*]

ānt'iar, *n.* Upas tree of Java; poison thence obtained. [*Jav.* *antiar*]

āntibil'ious, *a.* Of use against biliousness. [*ANTI-* (2)]

ān'tibōdy, *n.* (physiol.). Kinds of substance in the blood tending to neutralise others that are harmful. [*ANTI-* (1)]

ān'tic, *a. & n.* 1. (arch.). Grotesque, bizarre. 2. *n.* Grotesque posture (usu. pl.); (arch.) mountebank, clown. [*f.* It. *antico* *f.* L *antiquus* ancient, apparently from ascription of grotesque work to the ancients]

ān'tichrist (-k-), *n.* Enemy of Christ; (A~, the A~) great personal opponent of Christ expected by early church to appear before end of world. [*f.* OF *antecrist* *f.* L *antechristus* *f.* Gk *antichristos* (ANTI- (1) + *christos* CHRIST)]

āntichris'tian (-k-), *a.* Pertaining to Anti-christ; opposed to Christianity. Hence ~ism (-k-) *n.* [*f.* *prec.*, with extended meaning]

ānti'cipiāte, *v.t.* Use in advance; forestall (person or thing); accelerate, as ~ate one's ruin; discuss, consider, realize, beforehand; look forward to, expect, (event, that it will happen). Hence ~ANT *a. & n.*, ~ATIVE *a.*, ~ATIVELY² (-vl-) *adv.* [*f.* L *anticipare* (*anti-* for ANTE- + *capere* *f.* *capere* take) see -ATE¹]

ānticipā'tion, *n.* Action of anticipating (in senses of the vb); *thank you in* ~, closing formula in letter of inquiry or request; (Med.) occurrence of phenomena before usual time; (Mus.) introduction beforehand of part of chord about to follow. [*f.* L *anticipatio* (*as* *prec.*, see -ATION)]

ānti'cipiātor, *n.* One who anticipates. Hence ~ORY *a.* [*L* (*as* *prec.*, see -OR²)]

ānticlim'ax, *n.* Opposite of climax, addition of a particular that weakens the effect; descent contrasting with previous rise. [*ANTI-* (1)]

ānticlin'al, *a.* (Geol.) forming ridge on which strata lean against each other, & from which they slope down in opposite directions; (Anat.) with upright spine towards which spines on both sides incline. [*f.* ANTI- + Gk *klinō* lean + -AL]

ānticyclōne, *n.* Rotary outward flow of air from atmospheric area of high pressure; whole system of pressure & outward flow. [*ANTI-* (1)]

ān'tidōtē, *n.* Medicine given to counteract poison or disease (*against*, *for*, *to*). Hence ~AL *a.* [*f.* L *f.* Gk *antidoton* neut. of *ANTIDOTOS* given against]

ān'tigēn, *n.* Substance introduced into the blood to stimulate production of antibodies. [*ANTI*(BODY) + -GEN (1)]

āntigrōp'elōs (-ē), *n.* pl. Waterproof leggings. [*perh.* for *anthygropeios* (ANTI- (2) + Gk *hugros* wet + *pelos* mud)]

ānti-Jāc'obin, *a. & n.* (One) opposed to the Jacobins (revolutionary party in France, 1789) or the French revolution. [*ANTI-* (2)]

āntilōg'arithm, *n.* Number to which a logarithm belongs, as 100 is the ~ of 2. [*ANTI-* (1)]

āntil'ogy, *n.* Contradiction in terms. [*f.* Gk *antilogia* (ANTI- + *logia* speaking)]

For other compounds of *anti-* see ANTI-.

antimacassar, *n.* Covering thrown over chairs etc., as protection from grease or as an ornament. [ANTI- (2)]

antimasque, *-mask*, (-mahsk), *n.* Grotesque interlude between acts of masque. [ANTI- (1)]

antimonarchic(al) (-k-), *a.* Opposed to monarchy. [ANTI- (2)]

antimony, *n.* Brittle metallic substance, bluish-white, of flaky crystalline texture. [f. med. L *antimonium*, prob. of Arab. orig.]

antinomian, *a. & n.* 1. Opposed to the obligatoriness of moral law; pertaining to A~s. 2. *n.* (A~) one who maintains that the moral law is not binding on Christians. [f. L *Antinomē*, name of sect in Germany (1535) alleged to hold above opinion (ANTI- + Gk *nomos* law) + -AN]

antinomy, *n.* Contradiction in a law, or between two laws; conflict of authority; paradox. [f. L f. Gk *Antinomia* (*nomos* law)]

antipathetic, *a.* Opposed in nature or disposition (to). Hence ~AL *a.*, ~ALLY *adv.* [f. Gk *Antipatheō* (as ANTIPATHY), see -WIC]

antipathic, *a.* Of contrary character (to); (Med.) having, producing, contrary symptoms. [f. F *antipathique* f. *antipathie* (as foll.)]

antipathy, *n.* Constitutional or settled aversion (*against, to, between* persons). [f. L f. Gk *antipatheia* f. *Antipathēs* opposed in feeling (*pathos* -eos)]

anti-personnel, *a.* (Of bombs etc.) designed to kill or injure human beings. [ANTI- (2)]

antiphlogistic, *a. & n.* (Medicine, paste, etc.) reducing inflammation. So ~INE *n.* P. [ANTI- (2)]

antiphon, *n.* Verse of psalm etc. intoned or sung responsively by alternating choirs during Divine Office before or after psalm; similar passage sung independently of psalm & not necessarily responsively. [f. F *antiphone* f. med. L *antiphōna*, fem. sing., f. Gk *Antiphōnē* (neut. pl. of *antiphōnōs*) things sounding in response (*phōnē* vocal sound)]

antiphonal, *a. & n.* Sung alternately; responsive; (*n.*) collection of antiphons. Hence ~LY *adv.* [OF (*antiphone*, see prec. & -AL)]

antiphonary, *n.* Book of antiphons. [f. med. L *antiphonarum* (as ANTIPHON, see -ARY)]

antiphony, *n.* Antiphon; antiphonal singing; response, echo. [f. Gk *antiphōnos*, see ANTIPHON & -Y]

antipodite (-s), *n. pl.* Place(s) diametrically opposite (to each other), esp. region opposite to our own; (sing. *antipode*) exact opposite (of, to). Hence ~AL, ~EAL, *adv.* [f. L f. Gk *antipodes* having the feet opposite, pl. of *Antipous* adj. (*pous* *podos* foot)]

antipole, *n.* Opposite pole; direct opposite. [ANTI- (1)]

antipope, *n.* Pope elected in opposition to one (held to be) canonically chosen. [f. F *antipape* f. med. L *antipapa*; assim. to *pope*]

antipyretic, *a. & n.* (Drug) allaying or preventing fever. So *antipyretic* *n.* P., a particular ~. [ANTI- (2); see PYRETO]

antiquarian, *a. & n.* Connected with study of antiquities; large size of drawing paper; antiquary, whence ~ISM *n.*, ~ISM *v.i.* (as foll. + -AN)

antiquary, *n.* Student, collector, of antiquities. [f. L *antiquarius* (*antiquus* ancient, see -ARY)]

antiquate, *v.t.* Make obsolete (esp. in p.p.), abolish as out of date; make antique. [f. obs. adj. *antiquade* (L *antiquare* f. *antiquus* ancient, see -ATE)]

antique (-ék), *a. & n.* 1. Of old times; existing since old times; old-fashioned; after the manner of the ancients; archaic. 2. *n.* Relic of ancient art or of old times; the ~, ~ style. Hence ~NESS (-kn-) *n.* [f. L *antiquus*, *anticus*, former, ancient (*ante* before; cf. *posticus*), whence also ANTIQ]

antiquity, *n.* Ancientness; old times, esp. time before middle ages; the ancients; (pl.) customs, events, precedents, of ancient times; (usu. pl.) ancient relics. [f. F *antiquité* f. L *antiquitatem* (*antiquus*, see prec. & -TY)]

anti-rabies, *a.* Counteracting the rabies virus. [irreg. f. ANTI- (1) + RABIES + -IC]

antirrhinum (-ri-), *n.* Genus of plants, Snap-dragon. [L, f. Gk *antirrhinon* (*anti* counterfeiting + *rhis rhinos* nose)]

antisabbatarian, *a. & n.* (Person) opposed to observance of Sabbath. [ANTI- (3)]

anti-saloon, *a.* Opposed to the existence of drinking-saloons; A~ League (founded in 1893 to suppress these saloons). [ANTI- (2)]

antiscorbutic, *a. & n.* (Medicine) against scurvy. [ANTI- (2)]

antiscritical (-chō-), *a.* Opposed to Scripture. [ANTI- (2)]

anti-Semite, *a. & n.* (Person) hostile to Jews. So *anti-Semitic* *a.*, ~ISM *n.* [ANTI-]

antiseptic, *a. & n.* (Agent) counteracting putrefaction (lit. & fig.). Hence ~ICALLY *adv.* [f. ANTI- (3) + Gk *septikos* putrefying (*septos* adj. f. *sepe* rot, see -IO)]

antisocial (-sh), *a.* Opposed to principles on which society is based. [ANTI- (2)]

antistrophe, *n.* (Lines recited during) returning movement from left to right in Greek choruses; inverse relation. [L f. Gk, = turning about (ANTISTROPHOS turn against)]

antistrophic, *a.* Pertaining to antistrophes. [f. Gk *antistrophikos* (as prec., see -IC)]

án'ti-táńk, a. (Of gun etc.) for use against tanks. [ANTI- (2)]

ántithés'is, íst, n. One opposed to belief in existence of a God. Hence ~ISM n. [ANTI- (8)]

ántithés'is, n. (pl. -theses). Contrast of ideas expressed by parallelism of strongly contrasted words; opposition, contrast, (of, between, two things); direct opposite (of, to). [L f. Gk (vbl n. f. *ántithémi* set against)]

ántithét'ic, a. Of the nature of antithesis; contrasted; consisting of two opposites. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. Gk *ántithétikos* (as prec., see -IO)]

ántitóx'in, n. A serum serving to neutralize a toxin. So ~IO a. [ANTI-]

án'ti-tráde, a. & n. ~ (wind), one that blows in opposite direction to trade wind. [ANTI- (2)]

ántitrínitár'ian, a. & n. (One) opposed to doctrine of the Trinity. Hence ~ISM n. [ANTI (3)]

án'títýpe, n. That which a type or symbol represents. Hence **ántítýp'ICAL** a. [f. Gk *ántitypos* responding as an impression to the die (*tupos* stamp f. st. *tup-* strike)]

ántivénéne', n. Antitoxin, esp. a snake-poison antidote. [f. ANTI- + L *venenum* poison]

án'tler, n. Branched horn, branch of a horn, of stag or other deer. Hence ~ER² (-lerd) a. [f. OF *antollier* f. LL *antoculare* (*rumum*) (branch) in front of the eyes (ANTE- + *oculus* eye); orig. = lowest branch]

ántonomás'ia (-z), n. Substitution of epithet etc. for proper name (e.g. *the Iron Duke*); use of proper name to express general idea (e.g. a *Solomon*). [L f. Gk f. ANTONOMAS² name instead (*onoma* name)]

án'toným, n. A word of contrary meaning to another, as *bad* to *good* (opp. *synonym*). [ANTI- + (SYN)ONYM]

án'trum, n. (pl. -tra). Cavity in the body (esp. one in the upper jaw-bone). [L f. Gk *antron* cave]

Ant'wérp (-), n. ~ (pigeon), kind of homing or carrier pigeon. [*Antwerp* in Belgium]

án'tus, n. Posterior opening of alimentary canal in animals. [L]

án'vil, n. Block (usu. iron) on which smith works metal; (Physiol.) a bone of the ear. [OE *onvil*, etym. dub.]

anxi'ety (-angz-), n. Uneasiness, concern; solicitous desire (for a thing, to do). [f. L *anxietas* -atis (as foll., see -ITY)]

anxious (-angk'shu), a. Troubled, uneasy (about); earnestly desirous (for a thing, to do); causing anxiety, as *an ~ business*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *anxius* (angers choke) + -OUS]

any (én't), a., pron., & adv. (With Interrog.) one, some, (no matter which), &

you ~ wool? have you ~ of them? were ~ Frenchmen there?; (after negative expr. or implied) cannot see ~ difference, to prevent ~ loss, cannot find ~ of them; (in affirmative sent.) whichever (of all) is chosen, every, as ~ chemist will tell you, at ~ rate; anyone (pron.), whatever individual is chosen; ~ one or anyone (adj.), ~ person, anybody; (adv., w. compar. in neg. or interrog. context) at all, in ~ degree, (is that ~ better?; without being ~ the wiser). [OE *ánig* (cogn. w. OHG *einic*, mod. G *einig*, Du. *eenig*) f. *an* one + *ig* adj. ending (see -Y²), here perh. dim.]

an'ybody (én-), n. or pron. Any person; if you wish to be ~ (of any importance); two or three anybodies (ordinary people).

an'yhow (én-), adv. & conj. In any way whatever; in any case, at any rate; at haphazard, as *does his work ~*, *things are all ~*.

an'ýthing (én-), pron. & n. Whatever thing; a thing, no matter which; a thing of any kind.

an'yway (én-), adv. & conj. = ANTHOW.

anywhere (én'iwér), adv. In any place.

an'ywise (én-; -z), adv. In any wise.

An'zac (-), n. & a. (Pl.) the Australian & New Zealand Army Corps in the war of 1914-18; (sing.) member of the ~s; (adj.) of the ~s. [= A. & N.-Z. A. C.]

á'orist, a. & n. (Gram.) indefinite, implying no limitation; (Gk Gram.) ~ (*tense*), one denoting simply occurrence (in indicative, with AUGMENT², past), without limitations as to continuance etc. So **áorist'io** a. [f. Gk *áoristos* unlimited (a- not + *horis* limit f. *horos*)]

áort'a, n. Great artery or trunk of the arterial system, issuing from left ventricle of heart. Hence ~IO a. [f. med. L f. Gk *aorté* that which is hung (*aíro* lift)]

a outfrance (see Ap.), phr. To the death. [F]

ap- = AD- before p.
apáce', adv. Swiftly, quickly. [A prep. + PAUSE¹]

apache' (-ash), n. Violent street ruffian in Paris; (A-, pr. apách'D) member of N.-Amer. tribe [native, lit. -enemy]

áp'anage, áp-, n. Provision for maintenance of younger children of kings etc., (orig. province or lucrative office); perquisite; (of territory) dependency; natural accompaniment or attribute. [F, f. *apanage* endow with means of subsistence f. med. L *apanare* (*panis* bread), see -AGE]

apárt', adv. Aside, separately, independently, (from); set ~, devote, reserve (for); *fasting ~* (held aside). [f. F a part (à to, part aside)]

apárt'ment, n. Single room of a house; (pl., & arch. sing.) set of rooms. [f. F

apartment *f. med. L. apartmentum* [*apartire* apportion, see -MENT]

apathét'ic, *a. Insensible to emotion; indifferent. Hence -ICALLY adv. [f. foll., after ΠΑΘΗΤΙΚΟ]*

ap'athy, *n. Insensibility to suffering; passionless existence; indolence of mind. [f. F *apathie* f. L f. Gk *apatheia* f. *apathēs* without feeling (a- not + *pathos* -see suffering)]*

ape¹, *n. Tailless monkey (gorilla, chimpanzee, orang-outan, gibbons); imitator, mimic; play the ~, mimic; Sea Ape, fish (Sea Fox). [OE *apa* masc. *ape* fem. (Du. *aap*, OHG *affo*, MHG *affe*)]*

ape², *v.t. Imitate, mimic. [f. prec.]*

apeak' (-ék), *adv. & pred. a. (naut.). Vertical, as oars ~. [f. F à pic (à to, at, pic, summit, see PEAK)]*

apép'sy, *n. Lack of digestive power. [f. Gk *apepsia* (a- not + *pepō* digest)]*

aperçu (see Ap.), *n. Summary exposition, conspectus. [F, p.p. of *apercevoir* perceive]*

apér'ient (or -ér-), *a. & n. Laxative (medicine). [f. L *aperire* open, see -ENT]*

apér'itif (or *apérétét'*), *n. Alcoholic appetizer. [F (-ér-), f. med. L *aperitivus* variant of *aperitivus* (L *aperire* open, see -IVE)]*

apér'itive, *a. & n. = APERIENT. [f. F *apéritif* (prec.)]*

ap'erture, *n. Opening, gap; space through which light passes in optical instruments. [f. L *apertura* (as prec., see -URE)]*

ap'ery, *n. Mimicry; apish performance; ape-house. [AFR n. + -RY]*

apét'alous, *a. Without petals. [f. Gk *apetalos* leafless (a- not + *petalon* leaf) + -OUS]*

ap'ex, *n. (pl. -ices, -exes). Tip, top, peak; vertex (of triangle, cone). [L, = small rod at top of flamen's cap, peak, tip, perch as ART; cf. *vertex* f. *vertice*]*

aphás'ia (-zya), *n. Loss of speech, as result of cerebral affection. Hence*

aphás'io (-i-) *a. & n. [Gk, f. *aphakos* speechless (a- not + *pha-* speak)]*

aphé'ion, *n. (pl. -ia). Point farthest from sun (of planet's or comet's orbit). [Graecized f. mod. L *aphelium* f. Gk *aph'ēliou* from the sun]*

aphéllotróp' (ic, a. (bot.). Turning from the sun. Hence -ICALLY adv., **aphéllótropus** *n. [f. Gk as prec. + *tropikos* turning (trópō)]*

aph'esis, *n. Gradual loss of unaccented vowel at beginning of word, as in (e)squire. [GK, = letting go, f. *aphémi* (ape away + *hēmi* send)]*

aphét'ic, *a. Pertaining to aphesis. Hence*

aph'ētux *v.t. [f. Gk *aphetos* vbi adj. (as prec.) + -UX]*

aph'is, *a. (pl. *aph'ides*). Plant-louse, minute insect, the food of ladybirds, & attacked by ants for the honey-dew it yields. Hence **aphid'IAN** *a. [f.]**

aphōn'ia, *n. Total loss of voice. [Gk, f. *aphōnos* voiceless (a- not + *phōnē* voice)]*

āph'orism, *n. Short pithy maxim; definition. Hence or cogn. āphorist'ic, āphorist'ic [-IST], aa., āphorist'ically adv. [f. Gk *aphoriso* (APO- + *horisō* f. *horos* boundary), see -ISM]*

āphrodis'iāc (-z), *a. & n. Venereal; (drug) producing venereal desire. [f. Gk *aphrodisiakos* f. *aphrodisios* (Aphrodītē Venus), see -AC]*

āphyll'ous, *a. (bot.). Naturally leafless. [f. Gk *aphyllos* (a- not + *phylon* leaf) + -OUS]*

āpiār'ian, *a. Pertaining to bee-keeping. [as foll. + -AN]*

āp'iar'y, *n. Place where bees are kept. Hence -IST* *n. [f. L *apiarium* (apis bee, see -ARY¹)]*

āp'ical, *a. Belonging to an apex; placed at the tip. Hence -LY² adv. [f. L *apex* -icis + -AL]*

āp'iculture, *n. Bee-keeping. [f. L *apis* bee + CULTURE]*

apiece', *adv. Severally, each, as five pounds ~. [orig. a piece]*

āp'ish, *a. Of the nature, appearance, of an ape; ape-like in manner, silly. Hence -LY² adv., -NESS* *n. [f. APE n. + -ISH]*

āp'lanāt, *n. (photog.). Symmetricalachromatic doublet lens comparatively free from spherical aberration. So āplanāt'ic* *a. (of lens) free from certain aberrations. [G, f. Gk *a-* not + *planāō* wander; + adj. f. Gk *aplanēōs* free from error + -IC]*

aplomb (see Ap.), *n. Perpendicularity; self-possession. [F, = a *plomb* according to plummet]*

āpnōe'a (-nēa), *n. Suspension of breathing. [mod. L, f. Gk *apnoia* f. *apnoos* breathless (a- not + *pnoē* breath)]*

āpo-, *pref. (before unaspirated vowel ap-, before aspirate aph-), -Gk apo prep. off, from, away, un-, quite; in compds f. Gk, & in mod. scientific wds (not on Gk anal.) with sense 'detached, separate'.*

apōc'alypse, *n. Revelation, esp. that made to St John in island of Patmos; book recording this. So apōc'alyp'tic(al)* *aa., apōc'alyp'ticaly² adv. [f. L f. Gk *apokalypsis* (APOKALYPTō uncover)]*

apōc'opē, *n. Cutting off of last letter or syllable of word. [Gk (APOKOPTō cut off)]*

apōc'r'ypha, *n. Books of Old Testament included in Septuagint & Vulgate, but not originally written in Hebrew, nor counted genuine by Jews, & excommunicated by Canon at Reformation. [LL *apocrypha* (scripta) hidden writings f. Gk *apokryphos* (APOKRYPTō hide away); treated in E as sing., with pl. -as]*

apōc'r'yphal, *a. Of the apocrypha; of doubtful authenticity; sham, false. [as prec. + -AL]*

āp'ōd, *n. Bird, reptile, fish, without (or with undeveloped) feet or ventral fins.*

Hence *ap'odal* a. [f. Gk *apous* footless (a-not + *pous* pedes foot)]

apodict'ic, -*deict'ic* (-di-), a. Of clear demonstration; clearly established.

Hence *apodict'ically* adv. [L. L. f. Gk *apodiktikos* (*apodiktumai* show, see -IO)]

apód'osis, n. (pl. -*oses*). Concluding clause of sentence (cf. *PROTASIS*); consequent clause of conditional sentence, wherever placed. [L, f. Gk (*Apodidomi* give back)]

ap'ogee, n. Point (in orbit of moon or any planet) farthest from earth; greatest distance of sun from earth when latter is in aphelion; (fig.) most distant spot, highest point. Hence *apogés'AN* a. [f. F *apogée* f. L f. Gk *Apoagein* (neut. adj.) away from earth (*gata, ge*, earth)]

apolaus'tic, a. Self-indulgent. [f. Gk *apolaustikos* (*apolausō* enjoy, see -IO)]

Apóllinār'is, n. Mineral water exported from the ~ spring in Rhenish Prussia.

Apóll'ō, n. (pl. -*ōs*). Greek sun-god; (poet.) the sun; man of great beauty. [L, f. Gk *Apollōn*]

Apóll'yon, n. The Devil. [f. Gk *apolluōn* part. of *apolluō* (apo- + *alluō* destroy)]

apologét'ic, a. & n. Regretfully acknowledging, excusing, fault or failure; vindicator; (n., usu. pl.) argumentative defence, esp. of Christianity. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv. [f. F *apologétique* f. L f. Gk *apologtikos* (*apologomai* speak in defence, see *APOLOGY* & -IO)]

apolog'ia, n. Written defence of the conduct or opinions of the writer. [Gk; see *APOLGY*]

apólogist, n. One who defends (esp. Christianity) by argument. [f. F *apologiste* f. Gk *apologia*, see *APOLGY* & -IST]

apólogize, v.l. Make an apology (*for*). [f. *APOLGY* + -IZE]

ap'ologue (-ōg), n. Moral fable. [F, f. L f. Gk *apologos* fable (*apo* off + *logos* speech)]

apólogy, n. Regretful acknowledgement of offence; assurance that no offence was intended; explanation, vindication; ~*fer*, poor or scanty specimen of (*this ~ for a letter*). [f. L f. Gk *apologia* defence (*apo* away + *logia* speaking)]

ap'ophthegm (-othēm, -othēm), n. Terse saying; pithy maxim. Hence ~*āt'IO* (-othēg-, -othēg-) a., ~*āt'IOALLY* adv. [f. Gk *apophthegma* -*matos* (*Apophthegmatist* speak out)]

apoplec'tic, a. Pertaining to, causing, apoplexy; suffering from, tending to, apoplexy. Hence ~*CALLY* adv. [f. L f. Gk *apoplektikos* (*apopleōō* strike completely, see -IO)]

ap'oplexy, n. Malady arresting powers of sense & motion, usu. caused by effusion of blood or serum in brain. [f. F *apoplexie* f. L f. Gk *apoplexia* (as *prec.*)]

apopleps'is, n. (rhet.; pl. *pleksis*). Sudden breaking-off in speech. [L, f. Gk f. *Apolepsos* keep silent]

após'tasy, n. Abandonment of religious faith, vows, principles, or party. [f. L f. Gk *apostasia* (*aposteu* withdraw)]

após'tate, n. & a. (One) guilty of apostasy. So *apostat'ICAL* a. [F, f. L (-*ta*) f. Gk *apostates* (*aposteu* withdraw)]

após'tatize, v.l. Become an apostate (from one to another). [f. LL *apostatizare* (as *APOSTATE*, see -IZE)]

apóstér'io't, adv. & adj. phr. (Reasoning from effects to causes; inductive. [L, ~ from what comes after])

após'til, n. Marginal note. [f. F *apostille*, etym. dub.]

após'tle (-el), n. Messenger, esp. any of the twelve whom Christ sent forth to preach Gospel; first successful Christian missionary in a country, as ~ of Germany; leader of reform, as ~ of temperance; ~ *spoons* (with figures of ~s on handles). Hence ~*SHIP* n. [f. OF *apostle*, *apostre* (mod. *apôtre*) f. L f. Gk *apostolos* (*apostellō* send away); OE had *apostol*]

após'tolate, n. Apostleship; leadership in a propaganda. [f. L *apostolatus* (as *prec.*, see -*ATE*)]

apóstol'ic, a. Pertaining to the Apostles; of the character of an apostle; of the Pope, papal, as ~ *See, succession*. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv. [f. F *apostolique* f. L f. Gk *apostolikos* (as *APOSTLE*, see -IO)]

após'troph'è, n. (rhet.). Exclamatory address, in course of public speech or in poem, to particular person (often dead or absent). Hence *apostroph'IO* a., ~*IZE* v.t. & i. [L f. Gk, lit. turning away (as *foli*)]

após'trophè, n. Sign of omission of letter, or of possessive case, (e.g. *can't, boy's*). Hence *apostroph'IO* a. [confused w. *prec.*, but prop. three syllables (-strōf); F, f. L f. Gk (*hō*) *apostrophos* (*prostōtia*) (the accent) of elision (*apostrophō* turn away)]

apóth'ecary, n. (arch.). Druggist, pharmaceutical chemist, as *Apothecaries' Company*. [f. OF *apotecaire* f. LL *apothecarius* f. *apotheca* f. Gk *apothēkē* store-house (*Apothēkē* lay away), see -*ARY*']

apóthēts'is, n. (pl. -*oses*). Deification (lit. & fig.); canonization; deified ideal; (loosely) release from earthly life. Hence *apóth'ēosis* v.t. [L, f. Gk (*Apóthēōs* make a god of, f. *theos* god, see -*OSIS*)]

appal' (-awl), v.t. (-ll-). Dimay, terrify. Hence ~*lingly*¹ adv. [perh. f. OF *appail* make pale; but cf. *PALE* v.]

appanage. See *APANAGE*.

apparát'us, n. (pl. -*uses*). Mechanical requisites, an appliance, for doing something; organs by which natural processes are carried on; ~ *writings*, materials for textual study of document. [L (*Apparate* make ready for, see -*ATE*)]

appá'ral, v.t. (-ll-). Attire, dress. [f. OF *appareiller* f. Rom. *Appariculus* make fit (particulars dim. of *par* equal)]

appâ'rel', *a.* Ornamental embroidery on ecclesiastical vestments; (arch.) clothing, dress. [f. OF *apared* f. *apareiller*, see *prec.*]

appâ'rent (or *-âr-*), *a.* Manifest, palpable; seeming; *hair ~* (whose right cannot be superseded by birth of nearer hair, cf. *FANSMITH*). Hence *~LY*² *adv.* [f. OF *aparant* f. *L* as *APPARE*, see *-ERT*]

appâ'ri'tion, *n.* Appearance, esp. of a supernatural being; ghost. [F, f. *L* *apparitionem* (as *APPARE*, see *-ION*)]

appâ'ri'tor, *n.* Public servant of Roman magistrate; officer of civil or ecclesiastical court; herald, usher. [L (as *prec.*, see *-OR*)]

appeal' (-ël), *v.i. & t.* Call to (higher tribunal) for deliverance from decision of lower (also abs.); || *~ to the country* (i.e. from parliament), dissolve parliament; remove (case) to higher court; call attention to (evidence); make earnest request (to person, for thing or to do); *pictures ~* (address themselves) *to the eye*, do not ~ (prove attractive) *to me*. [f. OF *apel* f. *L* *Appellare* address]

appeal' (-ël), *n.* Act of appealing; right of appealing; *Court of A~* (hearing cases previously tried in inferior courts). [f. OF *apel* (as *prec.*)]

appeal'able (-ël-), *a.* That can be appealed against; that can be appealed to. [APPRAI *v.* + *-ABLE*]

appear', *v.i.* Become, be, visible; present oneself formally, publicly; be published; be manifest; seem. [f. *aper-* st. of OF *apareir* f. *L* *Apparere* -rit- come in sight]

appear'ance, *n.* Act of appearing (in vbl senses); *put in an ~*, show oneself; look, aspect; semblance; *to all ~* (so far as can be seen); *save, keep up, ~s* (outward show etc.); apparition, phantom. [f. OF *aparance* f. *L* *apparentia* (as *prec.*, see *-ENCE*)]

appease' (-z), *v.t.* Pacify, quiet, (strife, anger, person); soothe; satisfy (appetite, prejudice). So *~ABLE* (-z) *a.*, *~MENT* (-ment) *n.* [f. OF *apaiser*, *apaiser* to + *paix* peace f. *L* *pacem*, nom. *pax*]

appell'ant, *a. & n.* 1. Appealing; (Law) concerned with appeals. 2. *n.* One who appeals to higher court. [F (as *APPRAI*¹, see *-ANT*)]

appell'ate, *a.* Taking cognisance of appeals, as *~ jurisdiction*. [f. *L* as foll., see *-ATE*²]

appell'ation, *n.* Name, title; nomenclature. [F, f. *L* as *APPRAI*¹, see *-ATION*]

appell'ative, *a. & n.* (Of words) designating a class, common (as opp. to *proper*); common noun, applicable to any member of a class; appellations; Hence *~LY*² (-vly) *adv.* [f. *L* as *APPRAI*¹, see *-ATIVE*]

append', *v.t.* Hang on, annex; add in writing. [f. *L* *Appendere*]

append'age, *n.* Thing attached; addition; accompaniment. [*prec.* + *-AGE*]

appén'dant, *a. & n.* (Possession, thing, person) attached in subordinate capacity (to another). [F, part. of *appendre* f. *L* *appendere* (for *-dre*) hang to (intr.)]

appén'dix, *n.* (pl. *~ices, ~ices*). Subsidiary addition (to book or document); small process developed from surface of any organ, esp. *vermiform ~ix* (of the intestine), whence *~ICITIS* *n.* [f. *appendix -icis* (*Appendere* hang to, trans.)]

apperceiv' (-sév), *v.t.* (psych.). Unite and assimilate (a perception) to a mass of ideas already possessed, & so comprehend & interpret it. [f. OF *apercevoir* (LL *apperceptere* f. *AP* + *L* *percipere* perceive)]

appercép'tion, *n.* Mind's perception of itself; mental perception; (Psych.) action or fact of becoming conscious by subsequent reflection of a perception already experienced; process by which the mind apperceives. [f. F *aperception* (LL *apperceptere* -cept-, as *prec.*, see *-ION*)]

appertain', *v.i.* Belong as possession or right to; be appropriate to; relate to. [f. OF *apartenir* f. LL *appertinere* PERTAIN]

app'etence, -cý, *n.* Longing after, desire, (of, for, after); affinity (for). [f. F *appétence* f. *L* *appetentia* (*Appetere* seek after) see *-ENCE*, *-ENCY*]

app'etent, *a.* Eagerly desirous (after, of). [f. *L* *appetere*, see *prec.* & *-ENT*]

app'étite, *n.* Desire, inclination, (for); desire to satisfy natural necessities, esp. hunger; relish. So **appét'itive** *a.* [f. OF *apetit* f. *L* *appetitus* (as *prec.*, see *-ITIVE*)]

app'étize, *v.t.* (Of things) give appetite (only in part. ~ing). Hence *~ENT*¹ (2) *n.* [f. F *appétissant* part. as if f. *L* *appetitizare* (as *prec.*, assim. to vbs in *-IZE*)]

applaud', *v.i. & t.* Express approval loudly, as by clapping hands; (v.t.) express approval of, praise. [f. *L* *applaudere* -plaus- clap hands]

applause' (-z), *n.* Approbation loudly expressed; marked approval. Hence *~IVE* (-s-), *a.*, *~IVELY*² (-sivly) *adv.* [f. *L* *applausus*, -ds (as *prec.*)]

app'le, *n.* Round firm fleshy fruit of a rosaceous tree; (Bot.) any inferior fleshy many-celled fruit; *~ of discord*, golden *~* contended for by Juno, Minerva, & Venus; *~ of Sodom*, *Dead Sea* ~, fruit dissolving into ashes; *~ of the eye*, the pupil, any cherished object; *~ brandy*, spirit distilled from cider; *~ butter*, sauce of ~s stewed in cider; *~-cart* (upset person's ~-cart, spoil his plans); *~ cheese*, compressed ~ pomace; *~ dumping*, ~ cooked in paste; *~ green*, a colour; *~ pomace*, pulp remaining after juice is expressed; *~-jack*, Amer. name for ~ brandy; *~-john*, kind of ~ said to keep two years & to be best when withered; *~-pie* bed, one with sheets so folded that one's legs cannot get down; *~-pie* order, perfect order; *~ sauce* (sl.), insincere

flattery (also as int. = nonsense). [com. Tent.; OE *æppel*, OHG *aphul*, Mod. G *appel*]

appli'ance, n. Applying; thing applied as means to an end. [f. APPLY + -ANCE]

app'licable, a. Capable of being applied; having reference, appropriate, (to). Hence ~BIL'ITY n. [f. L as APPLY, see -ABLE]

app'licant, n. One who applies (for). [as prec., see -ANT]

applicā'tion, n. Putting of one thing to another; employment of means; application of plaster, liniment, etc.; bringing (of a general rule etc.) to bear upon particular case; relevancy; diligence; making of a request; request made. [F, f. L *applicatio* (as APPLY, see -ATION)]

applique' (äplé'kä), n., & v.t. Ornamental work cut out from one material & applied to the surface of another (esp. in dressmaking); (vb) ornament thus. [F, p.p. of *appliquer* apply (L *applicare*)]

apply', v.t. & i. Put close (to); administer (remedy etc. to); lit. & fig.; devote (to); make use of; use as relative or suitable (to), set oneself closely (to task, to do); have reference (to); attend closely (to); address oneself (for help etc. to); make application (for situation). [f. OF *applier* f. L *applicare* fold, fasten to]

appoggiatur'a (-ôjatoora), n. (mus.). A grace consisting of the note above the principal note, interpolated before it & momentarily taking its place in the rhythm of the passage. [It.]

appoint', v.t. Fix (time, place, for purpose); prescribe (thing, that); (Law) declare the destination of (property, also abs.); nominate, as ~ him governor, to govern, to be governor, ~ him; (p.p.) well, badly, ~ed, so equipped. Hence ~ee' n. [f. OF *apointer* (à point to the point)]

appoint'ment, n. Pointing; engagement, assignation; decree, ordinance; office assigned; (usu. pl.) outfit; keep, break, an ~, appear, fail to appear, at fixed place & time. [f. OF *apointement* (as prec., see -MENT)]

apport', n. Material thing produced by occult means at spiritualist seance. [AF + (ex)port, (im)port]

apportion, v.t. Assign as due share (to); portion out. Hence ~MENT (-shon) n. [f. OF *apportionner* (à to + portionner f. PORTION)]

app'osite (-z), a. Well put; appropriate (to). Hence ~LY (-tli) adv., ~NESS (-tn) n. [f. L *apponere* posit- put]

apposition (-z), n. Application (of seal); placing side by side; (Gram.) placing of word in syntactic parallelism with another, esp. addition of one noun to another. Hence ~AL (-isho) a. [f. L *appositio* (as prec., see -ION)]

apprais[e]' (-z), v.t. (Esp. of official valuer) fix price for; estimate. Hence ~AL (-s), ~e MENT (-sm-), nn., ~ABLE (-s) a. [f.

FRANCE v. (formerly used in the same sense), perh. on anal. of APPRAISE]

appré'ciable (-sha-), a. Capable of being estimated; perceptible, sensible. Hence ~LY² adv. [as foll., see -BLE]

appré'ciate (-shi-), v.t. & i. Estimate worth, quality, amount, of; estimate aright; be sensitive to; esteem highly; raise in value; rise in value. Hence ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, (-sha-), aa., ~ATIVELY² (-vi-) adv. [f. L *Appretiare* appraise (*pretium* price), see -ATE]

appréciā'tion (or -shi-), n. Estimation, judgement; perception; adequate recognition; rise in value; critique. [f. F *appréciation* f. *apprécier* (as prec., see -ATION)]

appréhend', v.t. Seize, arrest; perceive (by senses or intellect); understand; fear (thing, that). [f. F *appréhender* f. L *apprehendere* -hens- lay hold of, whence also F *apprehendere* learn]

appréhén'sible, a. Capable of being grasped (by senses or intellect). Hence ~BIL'ITY n. [f. L *apprehensibilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

appréhén'sion (-shn), n. Seizure, arrest; grasping (of ideas), conception; understanding; dread. [f. L *apprehensio* (as prec., see -ION)]

appréhén'sive, a. Pertaining to sensuous or mental perception; perceptive (of); intelligent; uneasy, fearful, (of thing, that it may happen, for person, for his safety). Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. med. L *apprehensivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

appren'tice', n. Learner of a craft, bound to serve, & entitled to instruction from, his employer for specified term; tiro. Hence ~SHIP (-esh) n. [f. OF *apprentis* f. *apprendre* (see APPREHEND), suggested by words in -tis, -ty, f. L -tivus (see -IVE)]

appren'tice², v.t. Bind as apprentice. [f. prec.]

apprise' (-s), v.t. Inform; (pass.) be aware of. [f. F *appris* -tes, p.p. of *apprendre* learn, teach, (see APPREHEND)]

apprize', v.t. (arch.). Appraise; appraise. [f. OF *aprisier* (à to + priester FRANCE)]

|| **äp'prü**, n. On ~, (of goods supplied) to be returned if not satisfactory. [= approval or approbation]

approach', v.t. & i. Come near(er); (Golf) play the approach shot; approximate in character etc. to; come near to; approximate to; (Commerc.) make overtures or proposals to; (Mil.) make approaches to. Hence ~ABILITY n., ~ABLE a. [f. OF *approcher* f. LL *appropriare* draw near (*propius* compar. of *prope* near)]

approach², n. Act of approaching; approximation; access, passage, (lit. & fig.); (Golf) stroke, not from a tee, played for the green; (Mil.) entrenchments enabling besiegers to approach. [f. prec.]

***app'robâte**, v.t. Approve formally, sanction. [f. L *AP(probare test f. probus good)* see -ATE¹]

approbâ'tion, n. Sanction; approval. So **app'robatory** a. [F, f. L *approbationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

apprôp'riate¹, a. Belonging, peculiar, (to); suitable, proper, (to, for). Hence ~LY¹ (-tly) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *Appropriare* (*proprius* own), see -ATE¹]

apprôp'riâte², v.t. Take possession of; take to oneself; devote to special purposes. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR², nn., ~A'TRY a. [f. prec., see -ATE¹]

approv'al (-ôb-), n. Approbation; sanction. [f. foll. + -AL (2); rare before 1800, -ance being used instead]

approve (-ôbv), v.t. & i. Give evidence of (quality); (refl.) show oneself to be; confirm, sanction; commend; ~ of, pronounce, consider, good; (p.p.) pronounced satisfactory, accepted, (of persons, reasons, etc.; ~d society, under Nat. Insurance Act). [f. OF *aprover* f. L as APPROBATE]

approver (-ôb-), n. One who approves; one who turns King's evidence. [f. prec. + -ER¹]

apprôx'imate¹, a. Very near; closely resembling; fairly correct. Hence ~LY¹ (-tly) adv. [f. L *Approximare* (*prociunus* very near), see -ATE¹]

apprôx'imâte², v.t. & i. Bring, come, near (to thing, esp. in quality, number, etc.). Hence ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a., ~ATIVELY² adv. [f. prec., see -ATE¹]

appui (-wè), n. (Mil.) defensive support; point of ~ (F *point d'~*), fixed object on which troops commence formation into line. [F, f. *appuyer* f. LL *Appodiare* (*podium* support f. Gk *podion* base f. *pous* *podos* foot)]

appûrt'enance, n. Belonging; appendage; accessory. [f. AF *apurtenance* (OF *aper-, apar-*) f. LL *appertinentia* (as APPERTAIN, see -ANCE)]

appûrt'enant, a. & n. (Thing) belonging, appertaining, pertinent, (to). [f. OF *apartenant* part. as APPERTAIN]

âp'ricôt, n. Orange-coloured stone-fruit allied to plum. (also earlier *apricock*) f. Sp. *albaricoque* f. Arab. *al the + burquq* f. Gk *praetokion* prob. f. L *praecoquum* variant of *praeocae* early-ripe; -cot by assim. to F *abricot*]

Ap'ril (â-), n. Fourth month of year; ~-fool, one sportively imposed upon on ~-fool-day (April 1). [f. OF *avril* f. L *aprilis*]

â priô'té, adv. & a. (Reasoning) from cause to effect; deductively; (loosely) presumptively, as far as one knows. Hence **â- priô'té** n. [L, -from what is before]

âp'ron, n. Garment worn in front of body to protect clothes; official dress, as *bishop's, dean's, freemason's*, ~; leather

covering for legs in open carriage; skin covering stuffing of roast goose or duck; tied to ~-strings of (wife, mother, etc.), unduly controlled by; (Theatr.) advanced strip of stage for playing scenes before curtain. Hence ~ND² (-nd) a., ~FUL (-ôtl) n. [f. OF *naperon* dim. of *nape* table-cloth f. L *mappa* napkin; for loss of n- (an apron = a napron) cf. *adder*]

âpropôs' (-pô), adv., a., n. To the purpose; in respect of; appropriate(ness). [F, & to + *propôs* PURPOSE]

âpse, n. Semi-circular or polygonal recess, arched or dome-roofed, esp. in church. [f. APSIS]

âp'sidal, a. Of the form of an apse; of the apsidal. [f. foll. + -AL]

âp'sis, n. (pl. *âp'sides*, *âpsid'ês*). Aphelion, perihelion, of planet; apogee, perigee, of moon; line of *apsides*, straight line joining these. [L, f. Gk (*hâpsis* -idos fastening, fellow of wheel, vault, (*haplô* join)]

âpt, a. Suitable, appropriate; having a tendency (to do or be); quick-witted (at). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *aptus* fitted p.p. of *âpere* fasten]

âp'terous, a. Wingless; (Bot.) having no membranous expansions. [f. Gk *apteros* (a- not + *pteron* wing) + -OUS]

âp'teryx, n. New-Zealand bird with rudimentary wings & no tail. [f. Gk a- not + *pteryx* wing]

âp'titude, n. Fitness; natural propensity (for); ability. [F, f. L *aptitudinem* (as APT, see -TUDE)]

âqua, n. (chem.). Liquid, solution, as ~ *fortis*, nitric acid, ~ *regia*, mixture of nitric & hydrochloric acids, able to dissolve gold & platinum. [L, =water]

âquamarine¹ (-ên), n. Bluish-green beryl; bluish green (also as adj.). [f. L *agua marina* sea-water]

âquaplâne, n., & v.i. (Ride on) plank towed behind speedboat. [f. L *agua* water + PLANE²]

âquarêlle¹, n. Kind of painting with Chinese ink & thin water-colours. [F, f. It. *acquerella* water-colour dim. of *acqua* f. L *agua* water]

âquâr'ium, n. (pl. -tums, -ta). Artificial pond or tank for the keeping of live aquatic plants & animals; place of public entertainment containing such tanks. [L (*agua* water, see -AURIUM)]

âquâr'ius, n. Zodiacal constellation; eleventh sign of Zodiac, which sun enters on Jan. 21. [L, =water-carrier (as prec., see -ARI²)]

aquât'ic, a. & n. (Plant, animal) growing, living, in or near water; (of sports) conducted in or upon water. [f. F *aquatique* f. L *aquaticus* (*agua* water, see -ATIC)]

âquatint, n. Method of engraving on copper by use of a resinous solution & nitric acid. [f. F *acqua-tinte*, It. *acqua tinta*, f. L *agua-tincta* dyed water (*tingers* dye)]

āqua-vit'ae, n. Ardent spirits, esp. of the first distillation. [L. = water of life]

ā'quēduct, n. Artificial channel, esp. elevated structure of masonry, for conveyance of water; conduit; (Physiol.) small canal, esp. in head of mammals. [f. L. *aquae ductus* conveyance of water (*ducere* duct-lead)]

ā'queous, a. Of water, watery; (Geol.) produced by water, as ~ rocks. [as f. a L. *aqueus* (agua water) + -OUS]

āquile'gia, n. (Kinds of) plant of buttercup type; columbine. [etym. dub.]

ā'quiline, a. Of an eagle; eagle-like, as ~ nose (hooked). [f. L. *aquilinus* (aquila eagle, see -INE¹)]

āquōs'ity, n. Wateriness. [f. med. L. *aquositas* f. *aquosus* (agua water), see -OSN & -TY]

ar-, pref. = AD- before r.

-ar, suf. (1) f. L. *-aris* (varying with *-alis* -AL), adj. suf. taken direct or thr. F, or imitated with L nouns. OF had *-er*, new F wds have *-aire*; E corrects *-er* (scholar), but sometimes uses *-ary*² instead of *-ar* for *-aire* (military). (2) noun suf., f. L *-are*, *-ar*, neut. of above (*altar*, *exemplar*).

-ar¹, suf. Occas. (for regular *-er¹*, *-ary¹*) f. L *-arius*, *-arium*, in nouns thr. OF *-ier* (*bursar*) or F *-aire* (*vicar*).

-ar², suf. Variant for regular *-er¹*, *-or²*, in nouns (*beggar*, *liar*), perh. on anal. of scholar (*-ar¹*).

A'rab (ā-), n. & a. Native of Arabia; ~ horse; *street arab*, homeless child; (adj.) Arabian. [f. F *Arabe* f. L *Arabem* (nom. -ba) f. Gk *Araps* -abos]

ārabesque' (-k), a. & n. 1. Arabian; fantastic. 2. n. Decoration in colour or low relief, with fanciful intertwining of leaves, scroll-work, etc.; (Mus.) florid melodic figure, composition based on such figures. [F. = Arabian, see -ESQUE]

Arāb'ian, a. & n. 1. Of Arabia; ~ nights, collection of fabulous stories; ~ bird, phoenix. 2. n. = Arab. [f. *Arabia* + -AN]

A'rabic (ā-), a. & n. 1. Arabian; *gum* ~ (exuded by some kinds of acacia); ~ numerals, 1, 2, 3, etc. 2. n. Language of the Arabs. [f. OF *Arabic* f. L *Arabicus* (Arabs ARAB, see -IO)]

A'rabist (ā-), n. Student of Arabic. [ARAB + -IST]

ā'rabile, a. & n. (Land) fit for tillage. [f. L. *arabilis* (arare plough, see -BLE)]

arāc'hnid (-k-), n. (scol.). Member of the *Arachnida*, class comprising spiders, scorpions, & mites. [f. Gk *araknēs* spider + -ID¹]

arāc'hnoid (-k-), a. & n. 1. (Bot.) covered with long cobweb-like hairs. 2. n. Serous membrane lining the dura mater, & enveloping brain & spinal cord. [f. Gk *araknoidēs* (araknēs cobweb, see -OID)]

Aramā'ic (ā-), a. & n. (Language) of Aram or Syria; northern branch of Semitic family of languages, including

Syriac & Chaldaic. [f. L. f. Gk *Aramaicos* of Aram + -IO]

Aranē'idan (ā-), a. & n. (Member) of the *Araneida* or spiders. [L. *aranea* spider, see -ID¹]

ārapai'ma (-pi-), n. S.-American food-fish (largest freshwater fish). [Brazilian]

Araucā'ia (ā-), n. Genus of trees including monkey-puzzle. [Arauco, name of province]

ārb'alēst, **ārb'last** (-ah-), n. Crossbow. [f. OF *arbaliste* f. L. *arcuballista* (arcus bow + *ballista* military engine)]

ārb'iter, n. Judge; one appointed by two parties to settle dispute, umpire; one who has entire control (of). [L, perh. f. ar- = ad to + *bitere* go, one who goes to see]

ārb'itrage, n. Traffic in bills of exchange or stocks to take advantage of different prices in other markets. [F, f. *arbitrer* as ARBITRATE, see -AGE]

ārb'itral, a. Pertaining to arbitration. [F, f. LL *arbitralis*, see ARBITER & -AL]

ārb'itrament, -ement, n. Deciding of dispute by arbiter; authoritative decision. [f. OF *arbitrement* (arbitrer, see ARBITRAGE & -MENT)]

ārb'itrar'y, a. Derived from mere opinion; capricious; unrestrained; despotic; (Law) discretionary. Hence ~ly¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *arbitrarius*, see ARBITER & -ARY¹]

ārb'itrate, v.t. & i. Decide by arbitration. [f. L. *arbitrari* judge, see ARBITER & -ATE¹]

ārbitrā'tion, n. Settlement of a dispute by an arbiter; ~ of exchange, determination of rate of indirect exchange between two currencies. [OF, f. L. *arbitrationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

ārb'itrator, n. (Now the legal term for) arbiter. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *arbitrator* by-form of *arbitroux* f. L. *arbitratorem* (as ARBITRATE, see -OR²)]

ārb'itress, n. Female arbiter, mediatrix; absolute mistress. [f. OF *arbitresse* fem. of *arbitre* f. L. ARBITER, see -ESS¹]

ārb'or, n. Main support of machine; axle or spindle on which wheel revolves. [f. F *arbre* tree, axis, f. L. *arbor*; refresh. on L.]

ārborā'ceous (-shua), a. Tree-like; wooded. [f. L. *arbor* tree, see -ACEOUS]

Arb'or Day (ā-), n. Day set apart annually in U.S., S. Australia, & elsewhere for public tree-planting. [L. *arbor* tree]

ārb'or'ēal, a. Of, living in, connected with, trees. [f. L. *arboraeus* (arbor tree, see -AL)]

ārb'or'ēous, a. Wooded; arboreal; arborescent. [as prec., see -OUS]

ārborēs'cent, a. Tree-like in growth or general appearance; (Archit.) branching out. Hence ~NESS n., ~ently² adv. [f. L. *arborescere* grow into a tree (arbor), see -ENT]

ārborēt'um, n. (pl. -ta). A botanical tree-garden. [L, f. *arbor* tree]

arb'oriculture, *n.* Cultivation of trees & shrubs. Hence **~cūl'tural a.**, **~cūl'turist n.** [*f. L. arbor -oris* tree + *CULTURA*]

arborisat'ion, *n.* Tree-like appearance (Min., Chem.) in aggregation of crystals, (Anat.) from distension or injection of capillary vessels. [*as prec. + -ISM + -ATION*]

arb'or vitae, *n.* Popular name of several evergreens. [*L. = tree of life*]

arb'our (-er), *n.* Bower, shady retreat with sides & roof formed by trees or lattice-work covered with climbing plants. Hence **~ER** ² (*-erd*) *a.* [*orig. (h)erberer f. OF (h)erbier* grass lawn *f. L. herbarium* (herba grass, herb, see *-ARIUM*), phonetic change to *ar-* being assisted by *assoc.* with *L. arbor* tree]

arb'ūtus, *n.* Genus of evergreens including strawberry-tree. [*L.*]

arc, *n.* Part of circumference of circle or other curve; *diurnal, nocturnal*, *~*, part of circle that a heavenly body appears to pass through above, below, horizon; belt contained between parallel curves; (Electr.) luminous bridge formed between two separate carbon poles; *~lamp, -light*, using this. [*OF, f. L. arcus* bow, curve]

arcāde', *n.* Passage arched over; any covered walk, esp. with shops along one or both sides; (Archit.) series of arches on same plane. Hence **arcād'ēd** ² *a.* [*F. f. It. arcata* arch *f. med. L. arcata* (*L. arcus* bow), see *-ADE*]

Arcades d'm'bō (*Ark'adēz*), *sent.* Blackguards both (cf. *Byron D. Juan*, iv. 98). [*facet. application of Virg. Eccl. vii. 4*]

Arcād'ian (*Ar-*), *a. & n.* Ideal(ly) rustic. [*f. L. Arcadius* (*Gk. Arikadia* mountain district in Peloponnese) + *-AN*]

Arc'ady, **Arcād'ia**, (*Ar-*), *n.* (poet.). Ideal rustic paradise. [*f. Gk. Arkadia*, see *prec.*]

arcān'um, *n.* (Usu. in pl. *-na*) mystery, secret. [*L. neut. of arcanus* (arca chest, see *-AN*)]

arch, *n.* Curved structure supporting bridge, floor, etc., or merely ornamental; curve; curvature in shape of *~*, as *fallen ~* (of foot); vault; *Court of Arches*, ecclesiastical court of appeal for the province of Canterbury, orig. held in the church of St. Mary-le-Bow (or 'of the Arches'); *~way*, vaulted passage, arched entrance. Hence **~WISE** *adv.* [*f. OF archs* (*f. L. arca* chest, but confused with *arc f. L. arcus* bow)]

Arch, *v.t. & i.* Furnish with an arch; form into an arch; overarch, span; (*intr.*) form an arch. [*f. OF archer* (as *prec.*)]

arch, *a.* (*sup. -est*). Chief, pre-eminent, as *~ rogue, knave, impostor*, (but now usu. *~*); cunning, clever, innocently roguish, whence **~LY** *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.* [*= foll.*]

arch, *pref.* = *Gk. archi-*, *archi-*, *archie-*, *archi-*, form of *arkhos* chief cogn. w. *arkhō* *chief* (*OF arce*, *arce*, *OF arce-*, later *arche*; whence *G. ar-*, *Du. ar-*); in mod.

literary wds *f. Gk. archi-* is used, as *arch-deacon* but *archidiaconal*. Meaning: (1) in titles of office etc. 'chief, superior', as *archbishop*, *-duke*, esp. in titles of Holy Roman or German empire, as *-butler*, *-chamberlain*; (2) 'pre-eminent, leading', as *-antiquary*, *-builder*, *-prophet*, *-wag*; esp. 'extreme, worst', as *-buffoon*, *-knave*, *-liar*; (3) rarely = 'first, original', as *-founder*, *-messenger*; (4) of things, 'chief', as *-diocese*.

archae'an (*-k*), *a.* Of the earliest geological period. [*f. Gk. arkhaios* ancient (*arkhē* beginning) + *-AN*]

archae'ol'ogy (*-ki-*), *n.* Study of antiquities, esp. of the prehistoric period. So **~ol'ogical** (*-kio-*) *aa.*, **~ol'ogically** *adv.*, **~ol'ogist** (*-ki-*) *n.* [*f. Gk. arkhologia* (as *prec.*, see *-LOGY*)]

archae'opteryx (*-k*), *n.* Oldest known (fossil) bird, a link between birds & reptiles. [*f. Gk. arkhaios* ancient + *pteryx* wing]

archā'ic (*-k*), *a.* Primitive, antiquated; (of language) no longer in common use, though retained for special purposes. Hence **~ICALLY** *adv.* [*f. Gk. arkhaios* (as *prec.*, see *-IO*)]

arch'hā'ism (*-k*), *n.* Retention, imitation, of what is old or obsolete (esp. in language & art); archaic word or expression. Hence **~IST** *n.*, **~is'tic** *a.*, (*-k*), [*f. Gk. arkhaiosmos* (*arkhaizō*, see *foll. & -ISM*)]

arch'hāize (*-k*), *v.t. & i.* Imitate, affect, the archaic; (trans.) render archaistic. [*f. Gk. arkhizō* copy the ancients (*arkhaizō* ancient, see *-ISM*)]

arch'hāngel (*-k*), *n.* Angel of highest rank; kind of dead-nettle; kind of pigeon. Hence **arch'hāngel'io** (*-k*) *a.* [*OF, f. L. f. Gk. archaggelos* (see *ARCH-* & *ANGEL*)]

arch'bish'op, *n.* Chief bishop; metropolitan. Hence **archbish'opric** *n.* [*f. L. archiepiscopus* (see *ARCH-* & *BISHOP*)]

arch'deac'on, *n.* Ecclesiastical dignitary next below bishop, superintending rural deans & holding lowest ecclesiastical court, with power of spiritual censure. Hence **archdeac'onship** *n.* [*OE. archidiacon* *f. L. f. Gk. arkhidiaconos* (see *ARCH-* & *DEACON*)]

archdeac'onry, *n.* Jurisdiction, rank, residence, of archdeacon. [*prec. + -RY*]

archdi'ocese, *n.* See of an archbishop. [*ARCH-* (4)]

arch'duch'ess, *n.* Wife of an archduke; daughter of Emperor of Austria. [*f. F. archiduchesse* (see *ARCH-* & *DUCHESS*)]

arch'duke, *n.* Son of Emperor of Austria. So **archdu'cal** *a.*, **arch'duchy** *n.* [*f. OF archduc* (see *ARCH-* & *DUKES*)]

arch'-ēn'emy, *n.* Chief enemy; Satan. [*ARCH-* (2)]

arch'er, *n.* One that shoots with bow & arrows; Sagittarius, ninth zodiacal constellation. So **~ERY** (3) *n.* [*AF, f. OF archier* *f. L. arcarius* (arcus bow, see *-ERY*)]

arch'etýpe (-k-), n. Original model, prototype. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. L f. Gk *arkhetupon* (*arkhe*- ARCH- + *typos* stamp)]

arch'fiend', n. Satan. [ARCH- (2)]

arch'ibald (-awid). See ARCHIE.

archidiác'onal (-ki-), a. Pertaining to an archdeacon. [f. L as ARCHIDIACON + -AL]

arch'le, -ibald, nn. (sl.). Anti-aircraft gun. [f. name in pop. song]

archiépís'copal (-k-), a. Pertaining to an archbishop. [f. L as ARCEBISHOP + -AL]

arch'il (or -k-), n. (Violet dye from various kinds of lichen. [corrupt. of *orchil* f. OF *orchel* f. It. *orcello*, etym. dub.]

archimán'drite (-k-), n. Superior of monastery or convent in Greek church. [f. med. L *archimandrita* f. late Gk *arkhimandritēs* (*arkhi*- ARCH- + *mandra* monastery)]

Archiméd'ean (árk-), a. Of Archimedes (Greek mathematician); ~ screw, instrument raising water by tube in form of screw wound round cylinder. [f. L *Archimedeus* + -AN]

Archipel'agó (-k-), n. (pl. ~s). Aegean sea; sea with many islands; group of islands. [f. It. *arcipelago* (*arci*- ARCH- (4) + *pelago* gulf, pool, f. L f. Gk *pelagos* sea)]

arch'itèct (-k-), n. Professor of building, who prepares plans & superintends work; designer of complex structure, esp. the Creator; (fig.) achiever, as ~ of his own fortunes. Hence ~IVE a. [f. L *architectus* f. Gk *arkhitekton* (*arkhi*- ARCH- + *tekton* builder); some derivatives formed as if L *-tectus* were p.p. of *tegere* cover]

architèctón'ic (-k-), a. Of architecture or architects; constructive; controlling; pertaining to systematization of knowledge, whence ~ICS n., ~ICAL a. [f. L f. Gk *arkhitektonikos* (as *preco*, see -IO)]

arch'itècture (-k-), n. Science of building; thing built, structure; style of building; construction. Hence **architèc'tural** (-k-; -cher) a., **architèc'turally**² adv. [F. f. L *architectura* (*architectus* ARCHITECT, see -URE)]

arch'itràve (-k-), n. Epistyle, main beam resting immediately on the abacus on capital of column; the various parts surrounding doorway or window; moulding round exterior of arch. [f. *archi*- ARCH- + L *trabs* -able beam]

arch'ive (-k-), n. (usu. pl. ~s, pr. -kivz). Place in which public records are kept; records so kept. [F. (-f, -tes), f. LL *archivum* f. Gk *arkheion* public office (*arkhi* government)]

arch'ivist (-k-), n. Keeper of archives. [f. *preco* + -IST]

arch'ivolt (-k-), n. Under curve of arch from impost to impost; mouldings decorating this. [f. It. *archivolta*, *arcivolta* (arvo f. L *arcus* arch + *voluta* TAULT, volta arched)]

arch'hom (-k-), n. One of nine chief magistrates in ancient Athens; ruler, president. Hence ~SHIP n. [Gk. = ruler (part. of *arkho*)]

arch'ic, a. Of the north pole, northern; A ~ Circle (of earth), parallel of 66° 32' N. [f. OF *artique* f. L f. Gk *arktikos* (*arktos* bear, Urse Major, see -IO)]

Arctúr'us (ár-), n. Brightest star in constellation Boötes. [L, f. Gk *arkturos* (*arktos* bear + *ouros* guardian)]

arc'uate, -átèd, aa. Bent like a bow; arched. [f. L *arcuatus* (*arcuare* f. *arcus* bow; see -ATE²)]

arc'us sciss'is, n. Narrow yellowish-white band gradually encroaching the cornea with advancing age. [L, = bow of old age]

-ard, suf. forming nouns, usu. of censure (*sluggard*, *drunkard*), but cf. *standard* (orig. *stander*), *placard*; also spelt -art (*braggart*). [ME & OF, f. G -hart, -hard, hardy, in proper names]

ard'ent, a. Burning, red-hot; parching; ~ spirits (prop. = inflammable, but now understood of their taste), alcoholic spirits; eager, zealous; fervent (of persons & feelings). Hence **ard'ency** n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *ardant* f. L *ardentem* (*ardere* burn), see -ANT]

ard'our (-der), n. Fierce heat; warm emotion; fervour, zeal, (for). [OF, f. L *ardorem* (*ardere* burn, see -OR²)]

ard'uous, a. Steep, hard to climb; hard to achieve, laborious; strenuous, energetic. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *arduus* steep, difficult + -OUS]

are¹ (ár), n. French metric unit of square measure, square whose side is 10 metres (119·6 sq. yds). [F, f. L *area*]

are². See BA.

ár'ea, n. Vacant ground; level space; sunk court railed off from pavement & giving access to basement of house, as ~ bell; superficial extent; region, tract; scope, range. [L, = vacant piece of ground in town]

á'reca, n. Genus of palms; ~nut, astringent seed of a species of ~. [Port., f. Tamil *adai* (adai close-clustering + kay nut)]

arén'a, n. (pl. ~s). Central part of amphitheatre, in which combats take place; (fig.) scene of conflict, sphere of action. [L (*arena* sand, sand-strewn place of combat)]

árená'ceous (-shus), a. Sand-like; sandy. So **árenóus**¹ a. [f. L *arenaceus* (as *preco*, see -ACOUS)]

aré'ol(a), n. (pl. ~s). Very small area, as that between veins of a leaf; interstice in tissue; circular spot, as that surrounding the human nipple; (Biol.) cell-nucleus of plant. Hence ~AL¹, ~ATE², aa., ~ATION n. [L, dim. of AREA]

Areóp'agite (á-, -g-), n. Member of the court of Areopagus. [L f. L. Gk. *areopagite* (see foll. & -AG-)]

- Arēōp'agus** (ā-), n. Hill at Athens where highest judicial court sat. [L, f. Gk *Areios pagos* Mars' hill]
- arēte** (ārēt'), n. Sharp ascending ridge of mountain. [F, f. L *arista* ear of corn]
- ār'gala**, n. Adjutant-bird, gigantic Indian stork. [Hind. *hargala*]
- ār'gali**, n. Asiatic wild sheep. [Mongol]
- ār'gand**, n. Lamp with tubular wick; gas-burner on same principle. [inventor]
- ār'gent**, n. & a. Silver (colour, esp. in armorial bearings). [F, f. L *argentum*]
- ārgentif'erous**, a. Yielding silver. [f. L *argentum* + -FEROUS]
- ār'gentine**, a. & n. Of silver; silvery; imitation silver; silvery lamellae on scales of fish; (Zool.) genus of small fishes; (Min.) slate-spar. [f. F *argentin* f. L *argentinus* of silver (*argentum*, see -IN¹)]
- ār'gill**, n. Clay (esp. potter's). So ~LA'OUS a. [f. F *argille* f. L *argilla* f. Gk *argillos* (*argēs* white)]
- ār'gle-bā'gle**, v.l., & n. (Joc.). Debate. [corrupt. & redupl. of *argue*]
- ār'gol**, n. Tartar deposited from fermented wines, which when purified becomes cream of tartar. [?]
- ār'gon**, n. (chem.). A gas, an inert constituent of the atmosphere. [neut. of Gk *argos* idle (A- (7), *ergon* work)]
- Ar'gonaut** (ār-), n. 1. (Pl.) legendary heroes who sailed with Jason in the Argo for the golden fleece. 2. Genus of cephalopod molluscs including paper nautilus. [f. L (-*ia*) f. Gk *Argonautēs* sailor in the Argo]
- ār'gōsy**, n. (hist., poet.). Large merchant-vessel, esp. of Ragusa & Venice; (poet.) ship, venture. [earlier *ragusye*, prob. f. It. *Ragusea* (nave) Ragusan (vessel)]
- ār'got** (-gō), n. Jargon, slang, of a class, esp. of thieves. [F, etym. dub.]
- ār'gūe**, v.t. & i. Prove, indicate, as *it ~s him* (to be) a rogue, *that he is a rogue*, *roguey in him*; maintain by reasons (*that*), whence **ār'gūable** a.; treat (matter) by reasoning, ~ *it away*, get rid of it by argument; ~ (persuade) a person *into, out of*; reason (*with, against*, person, for, *against*, about, thing). [f. OF *arguer* f. L *arguere* frequent. of *arguere* make clear, prove, accuse]
- ār'gūment**, n. Reason advanced (for, against, proposition or course); (Logic) middle term in syllogism; reasoning process; debate; summary of subject-matter of book; ~ (usu. *argumen'tum*) *ad hominem*, one that takes advantage of character or situation of particular opponent, *ad crumenam*, of his avarice, *ad ignorantiam*, of his ignorance of the facts. [F, f. L *argumentum* (*arguere*, see prec. & -MENT)]
- ār'gūmentā'tion**, n. Methodical reasoning; debate. [F, f. L *argumentationem* f. *argumentari* (as prec.), see -ATION]
- ār'gūmentā'tive**, a. Logical; fond of arguing. Hence ~LY (-tī-) adv., ~NESS
- (-vn-) n. [F (-*if*, -*ice*), as prec., see -ATIVE]
- Ar'gus** (ār-), n. Fabulous person with a hundred eyes; watchful guardian; ~eyed, vigilant; *argus-shell*, oculated porcelain-shell. [L, f. Gk *Argos*]
- ār'gūte**, a. Sharp, shrewd; (of sounds) shrill. [f. L *argutus* p.p. of *arguere*, see ARGUE]
- argyr-**, **argyro-**, in comb. = Gk *argyros* silver, as *argy'ria* silver-poisoning, *argyran'thous*, with silvery flowers, *argyrophyl'ous*, silvery-leaved.
- ār'ia**, n. (mus.). Extended song in three sections common in 18th-c. opera & oratorio. [It.]
- Ar'ian** (ār-), a. & n. (Holder) of the doctrine of Arius of Alexandria (4th c.), who denied consubstantiality of Christ. Hence ~ISM (ār-) n., ~IEN (ār-), v.t. & i. [f. L *Arianus* (*Arius* f. Gk *Arios*, *Areios*, see -AN)]
- ār'ian**, suf. forming adj. & nn. chiefly denoting (member) of a sect etc. (*veget-, trinit-, humanit-*), or (person) of an age given by L numerals (*octogen-*). [L *arianus* + -AN; first sense perh. w. ref. to ARIAN]
- ār'id**, a. Dry, parched, (lit. & fig.); (of ground) barren, bare. Hence **arid'ity**, ~NESS, nn. [f. L *aridus* (*arēre* be dry)]
- ār'iel**, n. Species of gazelle in Western Asia & Africa. [f. Arab. *aryūl* var. of *aryūl* stag]
- Aries** (ār'īēs), n. The Ram, first zodiacal constellation. [L, =ram]
- aright'** (-it), adv. Rightly. [A prep. + RIGHT n.]
- ār'il**, n. Accessory seed-covering in certain plants. [f. mod. L *arillus* f. med. L *arilli* dried grapes]
- ār'ious**, compd adj. suf. = L *arius* (-ARY¹) + -OUS.
- arise'** (-z), v.i. (*arōse*, *arisen*, pr. -z, -z-). (Arch.) rise, get up; (poet.) rise from the dead; (arch.) be heard (of sounds); originate; be born; come into notice; result (*from*); present itself. [A- (1) + RISE v.]
- aris'ta**, n. (pl. -ae). Awn, beard, of grain & grasses. [L]
- aris'tāte**, a. Awned, bearded. [f. L *aristatus* (ARISTA, see -ATE²)]
- ārīstōc'racy**, n. Government by the best citizens; supremacy of privileged order, oligarchy; state so governed; ruling body of nobles; class from which ruling body is drawn, nobles; the best representatives of (intellect etc.). [f. L f. Gk *aristokratia* (*aristos* best + *kratia* rule)]
- ārīstocrāt**, n. One of a ruling oligarchy; one of the class of nobles. Hence **ārīstōc'ratism** n. [f. F *aristocrate* (as foll.)]
- ārīstocrāt'ic**, a. Pertaining to, attached to, aristocracy; grand, stylish. Hence ~AL a., ~ALY¹ adv. [f. F *aristocratique* f. Gk *aristokratikos* (as ARISTOCRACY, see -IO)]

Aristotél'ian, -**stels'an**, (A-), aa. & nn. (Disciple or student) of the Greek philosopher Aristotle. [*-ian* f. L f. Gk *Aristotélēs* Aristotle + *-ian*; *-lean* f. L *-leus* f. Gk *-telos* aa. + *-AN*]

arith'métic, n. Science of numbers; arithmetical knowledge, computation; treatise on computation. Hence *arith'métic'IAN* (-ishn) n. [f. OF *arismetique* f. LL *arismetica* for L *arithmetica* f. Gk *arithmētikḗ* (*tekhnḗ*) (art) of counting f. *arithmēō* count (*arithmos* number), see -*IO*; corrupted in ME to *arismetlike*, as if f. L *ars metrica* art of measure]

arith'mét'ical, a. Of arithmetic; ~ *progression*, (series of numbers showing) increase, decrease, by a constant quantity (e.g. 1, 2, 3, 4, etc., 9, 7, 5, 3, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv. [prec. + *-AL*]

arith'móm'eter, n. Calculating-machine. [f. F *arithmomètre* (Gk *arithmos* number + *-METER*)]

-á'rium, noun suf. f. L neut. of adj. in *-arius* (-ARY²), chiefly in antiquarian words as *sacrarium*, occas. popularized, as *aquarium*.

Ark, n. Chest, box; *Ark of the Covenant*, *Ark of Testimony*, wooden coffer containing tables of Jewish law; covered floating vessel in which Noah was saved at the Deluge; *Noah's ~*, toy ~ with animals. [com.-Teut.: OE *arc* f. OTeut. *arka* prob. f. L *arca* chest]

arles (árlz), n. pl. (dial.). Earnest-money. [see EARNEST²]

árm', n. Upper limb of human body from shoulder to hand; *fore~* (from elbow to hand); fore limb of an animal; large branch of tree; sleeve; thing resembling ~, as ~ of the sea, ~-chair (with side supports), ~ of lever, *balance* (part from fulcrum to point of application of power or weight); ~-hole in garment, hole through which ~ is put; ~-pit, hollow under ~ at shoulder; ~-in~ (of two persons with ~s interlinked); *infant in ~s* (too young to walk); *with open ~s*, cordially; *keep at ~s length*, avoid familiarity with; *secular ~*, authority of secular tribunal. Hence **árm'FUL** (-óbl) n., **árm'léss'** [-LESS] a. [com.-Teut. (OE, Du., G) cogn. w. L *armus* shoulder; cf. Gk *harmos* joint f. Aryan root *ar-join*]

árm', n. (usu. pl.). Weapon(s); *fire~s* (requiring explosive); *small ~s*, portable fire-arms, esp. rifles, pistols, light machine guns, sub-machine guns, etc.; *stand of ~s*, set for one soldier; (sing.) particular kind of weapon; *take up ~s*, arm oneself (often fig.); *bear ~s*, serve as soldier; *lay down ~s*, cease hostilities; *in ~s*, armed; *up in ~s*, actively engaged in rebellion etc. (also fig.); *under ~s*, in battle array; military profession; (sing. & pl.) each kind of troops, infantry, cavalry, etc.; heraldic devices, as coat of ~s; *King-of-Arms*, Chief Herald.

Hence **árm'léss'** [-LESS] a. [f. F *armes* f. L *arma* arms, fittings, f. root *ar-join*]

árm', v.t. & i. Furnish with arms; ~ed *neutrality* (of nations prepared for war); furnish with tools or other requisites; plate (*with anything*); furnish (magnet) with an armature; (intr.) ~ oneself, take up arms. [f. F *armer* f. L *armare* (arma)]

ármád'a, n. Fleet of ships of war, esp. the (*Invincible*) *A~* sent by Philip II of Spain against England in 1588. [Sp., f. L *armata* (armare ARM v., see -ADE)]

ármadill'ó, n. (pl. -os). Burrowing animal of S. America, with body encased in bony armour, & habit of rolling itself into ball when captured; genus of small terrestrial Crustacea with same habit, allied to wood-louse. [Sp., dim. of *armado* one armed f. L *ARM*, see -ADO]

Armagedd'on (ár-, -g-), n. (Scene of) supreme conflict between the nations. [Rev. xvi. 16]

árm'ament, n. Force (usu. naval) equipped for war; military equipments, esp. great guns on man-of-war; process of equipping for war. [f. L *armamentum* (as ARM², see -MENT)]

árm'ature, n. Arms, armour; defensive covering of animals or plants; piece of soft iron placed in contact with poles of magnet, increasing its power; essential part of a dynamo. [f. L *armatura* (as prec., see -URE)]

arme blanche (see Ap.), n. Cavalry sword or lance; cavalry. [F. = white arm]

Armén'ian (ár-), a. & n. 1. Of Armenia; ~ *dole*, red ~ earth, used medicinally; ~ *stone*, blue carbonate of copper. 2. Native of Armenia; adherent of ~ church. [-AN]

árm'iger, n. Esquire, one entitled to bear heraldic arms. [L, = bearing arms (arma arms + *gerere* bear)]

ármill'ary, a. Pertaining to bracelets; [f. L *armilla* bracelet, see -ARY¹]

Armin'ian (ár-), a. & n. (Adherent) of the doctrine of Arminius, Dutch protestant theologian, who opposed the views of Calvin, esp. on predestination. Hence ~ISM (ár-) n. [f. *Arminius*, Latiniz. of *Harmensen* + *-AN*]

árm'istice, n. Cessation from hostilities (lit. & fig.); short truce; *A~ Day*, 11th Nov., kept as anniversary of the ~ (1918) that ended hostilities in the war of 1914-18. [f. L *arma* arms + *stitium* (*stetere* -still-stop)]

árm'lét, n. Band worn round arm; small inlet of sea or branch of river. [ARM¹ + *-LET*]

árm'ér'ial, a. & n. (Book) pertaining to heraldic arms. [ARMORY + *-AL*(1)]

árm'ér'ij, n. Heraldry. Hence ~-ist n. [f. OF *armetie* f. *armer* blazoner f. *armoler* v. = *Fr. armer* f. L *arma* arms]

arm'our¹ (-mer), *n.* 1. Defensive covering for the body worn in fighting (~bearer, one who carries another's ~). 2. Metal sheathing of ship of war, composed of ~plates (~clad, furnished with this); steel plates etc. protecting cars, tanks, etc. from projectiles; armoured vehicles collectively, e.g. tanks, armoured cars, etc. 3. Diver's suit. 4. Protective covering of animals or plants. 5. Heraldic insignia. [f. OF *armeture* f. L *armatura* ARMATURE]

arm'our² (-mer), *v.t.* Furnish with protective covering; ~ed CRUISER; ~ed car, train, etc., one supplied with protective plates of steel etc., & (usu.) guns; ~ed column, corps, division, force, etc., one equipped with ~ed cars, tanks, etc. [f. prec.]

arm'ourer (-mer-), *n.* Manufacturer of arms; official in charge of ship's, regiment's, arms. [f. AF *armurer*, OF *urrier*, f. *armeture*, see prec. & -ER¹]

arm'oury (-mer-), *n.* Place where arms are kept, arsenal; *armourer's workshop. [perh. as ARMORY, but treated as f. ARMOUR + -Y¹]

arm'y, *n.* Organized body of men armed for war; *standing* ~, one of professional soldiers permanently in existence; *the* ~, the military service; *vast host*; organized body of men, as *Salvation A*~, *Church A*~, *Blue Ribbon A*~; ~ *broker*, contractor (carrying on business in connexion with the ~); ~ *corps*, main subdivision of ~ in the field consisting usu. of two or three divisions with technical, administrative, supply, etc. formations; ~-*list*, official list of officers; ~-*worm*, larva of cotton-moth. [f. F *armée* (cf. -ADE) f. L *armata* fem. p.p. of *armare* arm]

arm'ica, *n.* Genus of plants including mountain tobacco; medicine, esp. tincture, prepared from this. [†]

aroint', -oy-, *v.* or *int.* (arch.). ~ *thee*, begone. [†]

arōm'a, *n.* (pl. -as). Fragrance, sweet smell; subtle pervasive quality. [earlier (& OF) *aromat* f. L *aromata* (pl.) f. Gk *arōma* -matos]

arōmāt'ic, *a.* Fragrant; spicy. [f. F *aromatique* f. L f. Gk *arōmatikos* (AROMA, see -IO)]

arose. See ARISE.

around', *adv.* & *prep.* 1. On every side, in every direction; *about, here & there, at random, as *fool* ~. 2. *prep.* On, along, the circuit of; about, enveloping. [f. A- (2) + ROUNO]

arouse' (-z), *v.t.* Awaken; stir up into activity. [A- + ROUSE², on anal. of *rise*, *arise*]

arpeggio (-tjō), *n.* (pl. -os), (mus.). Striking of notes of chord in (usu. upward) succession; chord so struck. [It.]

arquebush. See MARQUEBUSH.

ār'shuk (or *arā'k*), *n.* Eastern name for any native spirituous liquor, esp. that

distilled from the coco-palm, or from rice & sugar. [f. Arab. 'araq juice]

ā'rrah (-ra), *int.* An Anglo-Irish expletive. **arraign'** (-ān), *v.t.* Indict before a tribunal; accuse; find fault with, call in question, (action, statement). So ~MENT (-ān-) *n.* [f. AF *arainer* f. OF *araisier* f. L *adrationare* reason, talk reasonably (*ratio* -onis reason, discourse)]

arrānge', *v.t.* & *i.* Put into order, adjust; draw up (army); (Mus.) adapt (composition) for new medium, instrumental or vocal; settle (dispute etc.); settle beforehand the order, manner, of; (intr.) take steps, form plans, give instructions, (~ to be there, for the cab to be there; ~ about it); come to agreement (with person, about thing, to do, that, or abs.). [f. OF *aranger* (ā to + rangier f. rang RANK)]

arrāngement (-jm-), *n.* Arranging; thing arranged; settlement of dispute etc.; (pl.) plans, measures, as *make your own* ~s. [-MENT]

ā'rrant, *a.* Notorious, downright, thorough-paced, as ~ *knave*, *dunce*, *hypocrite*, *nonsense*. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [variant of ERRANT, orig. in phrr. like ~ (= outlawed, roving) *thief*]

ā'rras, *n.* Rich tapestry; hanging screen of this formerly hung round walls of rooms (often not too closely to admit person). Hence ~ED² (-st) *a.* [Aras, town in Artois famous for the fabric]

array'¹, *v.t.* Marshal, dispose, (forces); (Law) impanel (a jury); dress, esp. with display; (refl.) dress oneself up; adorn; (fig.) clothe (in qualities etc.). [f. AF *arayer* = OF *areyer* (Prov. *aredar*, early Rom. *arredare*) f. *ad* to + *redo* (OF *rei*, *rai*) order, preparation, f. LG *rede*, Goth. *garade* ready]

array'², *n.* Order, as *battle* ~; (Hist.) arming of militia, as *Commission of A*~; military force; imposing series of persons or things; order of impanelling jury; (post.) outfit, dress. [f. AF *arai* = OF *arei* f. *areyer*, see prec.]

arrear', *n.* (Arch.) hinder part, esp. of procession; (pl.) outstanding debts; *in* ~s or ~, behindhand, esp. in payment; *in* ~ of, behind. [orig. *adv.* f. OF *arere* (mod. F *arrière*) f. LL *ad retro* (ad to + *retro* backwards); first used in phr. *in* ~]

arrear'age, *n.* Backwardness; unpaid balance; thing in reserve; (pl.) debts. [f. OF *aravage* f. *arere*, see prec. & -AGE]

arrect', *a.* (Of the ears) pricked up; (fig.) on the alert. [f. L *arrectus* p.p. of *arrigere* raise up (*regere* straighten)]

arrest'¹, *v.t.* Stop (person, cannon-ball, decay); (Law) ~ *judgment*, stay proceedings after verdict, on ground of error; seize (person), esp. by legal authority; catch (attention); catch attention of. Hence ~IVE *a.*, ~MENT *n.* [f. OF *arrestier* (Prov. *arrestar*) f. LL *adrestare* remain, stop (intr.)]

arrest¹, n. Stoppage, check; ~ of judgement (see prec.); seizure; legal apprehension; imprisonment; under ~ (legal restraint). [f. OF *arrest* f. *arrestor*, see prec.]

arrest (ar¹), n. (hist.). Authoritative sentence or decree of the King or Parliament of France; (loosely) judgement, order. [F, f. OF *arrest* f. *arrestor* (now *arrêter*) arrest]

arridge, v.t. (ar¹h.). Please, gratify. [f. L *arridere* smile upon, be pleasing to]

arrière-ban (â¹ri¹-), n. Summoning of vassals to military service by Frankish king; body thus summoned or liable to be summoned; noblesse; (improp.) summoning of inferior (*arrière*-) vassals. [F, f. OF *arriere-ban* for (*h*)*ari*-ban f. OHG *hari* army + *ban* edict, altered in form & sense by pop. etym., whence *ban* & *arrière-ban* summoning of superior & inferior vassals]

arrière-pensée (see Ap.), n. Ulterior motive; mental reservation. [F]

â¹rris, n. Sharp edge formed by angular contact of two plane or curved surfaces, as ~-gutter (V-shaped), ~-wise, ridge-wise. [f. F *arête* (mod. *arête*) f. L *arista* ear of corn]

arrival, n. Act of coming to end of journey or destination (lit. & fig.); appearance upon scene; person, thing, that has arrived; (colloq.) new-born child; cargo to be delivered when ship arrives. [f. AF *arriveaille* (*arrivee*, see foll. & -AL (2))]

arrive¹, v.i. Come to destination (lit. & fig.) or end of journey (at Bath, in Paris, upon scene, at conclusion); (as Gallicism) establish one's repute or position; (of things) be brought; (of time) come; (of events) come about. [f. OF *ariver* f. LL *arribare* f. L *adripere* come to shore (*ripa*)]

â¹rrrogiant, a. Overbearing; presumptuous; haughty. Hence or cogn. ~ANOM, ~ANCY, nn., ~antly¹ adv. [F (as foll., see -ANT)]

â¹rrôgâte, v.t. Claim unduly (thing, to oneself a thing); claim unduly that one possesses (a quality); claim unduly for (to) some one else. [f. L *arrogare* ask, see -AT¹]

â¹rrôgâtion, n. Unjust claim (of or abs.); unwarrantable assumption. [f. L *arrogatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

arrondissement (see Ap.), n. Administrative subdivision of French department. [F]

â¹rrôw (-5), n. Pointed missile shot from bow; index, pin, ornament, of similar shape; || ~ or broad ~-head, mark distinguishing British Government stores; ~-stick, triangular set of stitches securing whale-bone in stays; ~-headed characters, coniform; ~-root, plant from which a nutritious starch is prepared. Hence ~R¹ (-30) a., [O¹ll *arw*, *arres*, f. O¹Teuk. *arw*]

arrows thing belonging to the bow (*arhu* cogn. w. L *arcus* bow)]

â¹ree, n. (not now in polite use). Buttocks, rump. [com.-Teut., cogn. w. Gk *orhos*]

â¹rsenal, n. Public establishment for storage or manufacture of weapons & ammunition (also fig.). [f. It. *arsenale*, earlier *arsenâ* f. Arab. *dar aacina'ah* (dar house + *al* the + *acina'ah* art f. *qana'a* fabricate); *d*-dropped perh. by confus. w. *de* prep.; -*ale* added in It.]

â¹rsenic¹, n. (Chem.) brittle steel-grey semi-metallic substance, crystallising in rhombohedrons, & volatilising without fusion with odour of garlic; (pop.) trioxide of ~, white mineral substance, a violent poison; flowers of ~, same sublimed. Hence **â¹rsen'ical** a. [OF, f. L f. Gk *arsenikos* yellow orpiment (identified with *arsenikos* male, from belief that metals were of different sexes, but in fact) f. Arab. *as-zernikh* the orpiment f. Pers. *serni* (sar gold)]

â¹rsen'ic¹, a. Of, belonging to, arsenic; esp. (Chem.) applied to compounds in which arsenic combines as a pentad. [f. prec., -*ic* being identified with -*ic* (1)]

â¹rsen'ious, a. Containing arsenic; esp. applied to compounds in which arsenic combines as a triad. [f. ARSENIO n. + -IOUS; see also -OUS]

â¹rs'is, n. (pl. *arsés*). Accented syllable in English scansion (cf. *thesis*). [f. f. Gk, -lifting f. *airô* lift; in what sense, & whether orig. of voice or foot (in beating time), is disputed]

â¹rs'on, n. Wilful setting on fire of another's house or similar property or one's own when insured. [OF, f. LL *arsionem* (*ardere* ars- burn, intr., see -ION)]

art¹, v. See BA.

â¹rt¹, n. Skill, esp. human skill as opposed to nature; skilful execution as an object in itself; skill applied to imitation & design, as in painting etc.; (attrib.) of artistic design etc. (chiefly shop use: ~ needlework, carpet, curtain); thing in which skill may be exercised; esp. (pl.) certain branches of learning serving as intellectual instruments for more advanced studies, as *Bachelor*, *Master*, of *Arts*, one who has obtained standard of proficiency in these; black ~, magic; practical application of any science; industrial pursuit, craft; guild, company of craftsmen; *fine* ~s, those in which mind & imagination are chiefly concerned; knack; cunning; stratagem; ~ & (or) *part*, design & (or) execution, as *be* ~ & *part* in (necessary in both respects). [OF, f. L *ars*, nom. acc. prob. f. ar-â¹]

â¹rt'efact, **â¹rt'f**¹, n. A product of human art & workmanship. (Archaeol.) a product of prehistoric art as dist. from a similar object naturally produced. [f. L

- arte** (abl. of *ars* art) + *factum* (neut. p.p. of *facere* make)
- Artel'**, n. Association or guild of workers in Russia. [Russ.]
- Artér'ial**, a. Belonging to, of the nature of, resembling, an artery (now freq. of important main roads, & lines of transport or communication, as ~ railway, road, traffic). [F *artère* ARTERY, see -AL]
- Artér'ializ'e**, v.t. Convert venous into arterial (blood) by exposure to oxygen in lungs; furnish with arterial system. Hence ~A'TION n. [prec. + -IZE]
- Artérioscclerós'is**, n. Hardening of the arteries, esp. as concomitant of old age. [see ARTERY, SCLER(O)-, -OSIS]
- Artériot'omy**, n. Opening of artery for blood-letting; dissection of arteries. [f. Gk *arteriotomia* (as foll., see -TOMY)]
- Art'er'y**, n. Tube forming part of system by which blood is conveyed from heart (cf. VEIN) to all parts of body (also fig.). Hence ~T'is n. [f. L f. Gk *arteria* prob. f. *airō* raise]
- Artés'ian** (-zhn), a. ~ well, perpendicular boring into strata, producing constant supply of water rising spontaneously to surface. [f. F *artésien* (*Artois*, old French province)]
- Art'ful**, a. Cunning, crafty, deceitful, (of persons & actions). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ART + -FUL]
- Art'hrit'is**, n. Inflammation of joint; gout. So ~It'ic a. [L f. Gk (*arthron* joint, see -ITIS)]
- Artthro-**, comb. form of Gk *arthron* joint, as in *arthrop'athy*, painful affection of joints, *arthrós'is*, articulation.
- Art'ichöke**, n. Plant (of which bottom of flower & bases of its scales are edible) allied to thistles, native of Barbary; Jerusalem (corrupt. of *girasole*, sunflower) ~, species of sunflower with edible tuberos roots. [f. It. *articiocco* corrupt. of *'alcarcioffo* (mod. It. *carciofo*, OSP. *alcarchofa*) f. Arab. *al-kharshuf*]
- Art'icle**¹, n. Separate portion of anything written; separate clause (of agreement etc.) as *Thirty-nine A's*, *A's of war*, *Apprenticeship*, *Association*; literary composition forming part of magazine etc. but independent; *leading* ~ in newspaper, ~ expressing editorial opinion; particular; particular thing, as *the next* ~; (Gram.) *definite* ~, 'the', *indefinite* ~, 'a, an'; in the ~ (moment) of death (usu. in *art'ulo mortis*). [F, f. L *articulus*, dim. of *artus* limb]
- Art'icle**², v.t. Set forth in articles; indiot; bind by articles of apprenticeship. [f. prec.]
- Artic'ular**, a. Pertaining to the joints. [f. L *articulatus* (as ARTICLE¹, see -AR²)]
- Artic'ulate**¹, a. & n. Jointed; distinctly related, distinguishable, as ~ speech; (n.) ~ animal. Hence ~LY¹ (-tly) adv., ~NESS
- (-tn-) n. [f. L *articulatus* (as prec., see -ATE²)]
- Artic'ulate**², v.t. & i. Connect by joints, mark with apparent joints (usu. pass.); divide into words, pronounce distinctly; (intr.) speak distinctly. Hence ~ORY a. [f. prec., see -ATE¹]
- Articulá'tion**, n. Act, mode, of jointing; joint; articulate utterance, speech; consonant. [F, f. L *articulationem* (*articulare* joint as ARTICLE¹, see -ATION)]
- Art'ifice**, n. Device, contrivance; address, skill. [F, f. L *artificium* (*ars artis* art + *ficium* making f. *facere* make)]
- Artif'icer**, n. Craftsman; inventor (of). [f. prec. + -ER¹]
- Artifi'cial** (-shal), a. Made by art; not natural; not real, as ~ flowers; real, but produced by art, as ~ ice. Hence **Artifi'cial'ity** (-shi-), ~NESS, nn., ~IZE v.t., ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *artificialis* (as ARTIFICE, see -AL)]
- Artill'ery**, n. Anti-aircraft, anti-tank, field, medium, heavy, & mountain guns used by an army; branch or arm of the service that uses these; ~train, ordnance mounted on carriages & ready for marching. Hence **Artill'erist**, ~man, nn. [f. F *artillerie* f. *artiller* maker of ~ f. LL² *articularius* (*artacula* dim. of *ars* art, see -ARY¹)]
- Artisan'** (-z-), n. Mechanic, handicraftsman. [F, perh. f. It. *artigiano* f. LL² *artitanus* (*artius* p.p. of *artire* instruct in arts, see -AN)]
- Art'ist**, n. One who practises one of the fine arts, esp. painting; ~s *proof*, copy of engraving taken for ~s approval or correction & valued as fresher than ordinary copies; one who makes his craft a fine art (~ in words etc.). Hence **Artis'tic**(AL) aa., **Artis'tically**¹ adv., ~RY n. [f. F *artiste* f. It. f. LL *artista* (*ars artis* art, see -IST)]
- Artiste'** (-tō-), n. Professional singer, dancer, etc. [F, see prec.]
- Art'less**, a. Unskilful, uncultured; clumsy; natural; guileless, ingenuous. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ART + -LESS]
- Art'y**, a. (colloq.). Pretentiously artistic; (of persons) aping the artistic; ~&-crafty, (joc. usu. of furniture) remarkable rather for specially artistic style than for usefulness or comfort (after the *Arts & Crafts* Exhibition Society). [-Y¹]
- Ar'um**, n. Genus of monocotyledonous plants including Wake-Robin; ~lily (tall & white-spaced). [L, f. Gk *arōn*]
- ary**¹, suf. forming adj. & n. f. L *-arius* taken directly or thr. mod. F *-aire*, or imitated w. L nn. (rarely in E words as *bloomy*); adj. as *arbitrary*; nouns = *-arius*, as *actuary*, = *-arium*, as *dictionary*, = *-aria*, as *artillery*; words taken thr. OF have sometimes ~- instead, as *primer*.
- ary**², suf. Sometimes in adj. f. L *-aris*

instead of regular -AR¹, owing to passage thr. F -aire, as *exemplary*.

Ar'yan (ār-), a. & n. 1. Applied by some to family of languages (also called *Indo-European*, *Indo-Germanic*) that includes Sanskrit, Iranian, Greek, Latin, Celtic, Teutonic, Slavonic, with their modern representatives, by others only to the Indo-Iranian portion of these. 2. n. Member of ~ family; in Nazi Germany esp. contrasted with *SEMITIC*. [*f. Sk. arya* noble (in earlier use a national name comprising worshippers of the gods of the Brahmans); earlier *Arian* is *f. L. Arianus* of *Aria* (*f. Gk. Areia* eastern Persia)]

as¹ (áz, az), adv., conj., rel. pron. 1. adv. (in main sentence, foll. by as in subord. clause expressed or understood) in the same degree, as *I came as soon as I could*, *I know that as well as you*, *you might as well help me*, as *FAR¹ as*. 2. rel. adv. or conj. (in subord. clause, with or without antecedent *as*, *so*, expressing manner, degree, etc., of the principal sentence; (degree) *you are as good as he*, *it is not so (or as) easy as you think*, *quick as thought he jumped out*, *fair as (= though) she is*; (manner) *do as you like*, *according as we decide*, *he looks as if he had seen a ghost*, *treat him as a stranger*, *you are, as it were (= as if it were actually so), compromised*, *they rose as one man*, *late as usual*, *he smiled, as who should say (= as a man would smile who)*; (time) *it struck me as I was speaking*; (reason) *as you are not ready, we must go on*; (result) *he so arranged matters as to suit everyone*, *be so good as to come*; (illustration) *cathedral cities, as Norwich*. 3. rel. pron. That, who, which, as *I had the same trouble as you*, *such countries as Spain*; (with antecedent inferred from main sentence) *he was a foreigner, as (which fact) they perceived from his accent*. 4. Special phrases: *as from* (in formal dating, as *coal will be decontrolled as from 31st March*); *as regards*, so far as it concerns; *as to*, with respect to (*said nothing as to hours*, *as to when he would come*; *as to you, I despise you*); *as yet*, up to this time; *I thought as much*, *I thought so*; *as well (as)*, in addition (to); *as good as dead*, practically dead. 5. Phrases in (*as*) . . . as expressing by reference to a proverbial type the highest or a high degree of some quality, & in alliterative or punning phrr. modelled on these: *bold as a cat*, *black as pitch*, *blind as a bat*, *bold as brass*, *brave as a lion*, *bright as a button*, *bright as a new pin*, *brown as a berry*, *busy as a bee*, *cold as charity*, *common as dirt*, *cool as a cucumber*, *cross as two sticks*, *dead as a doornail*, *dead as mutton*, *deaf as a post*, *drunk as a fiddler*, *drunk as a lord*, *dry as a bone*, *dull as ditch-water*, *easy as ABC*, *easy as lying*, *fit as a fiddle*, *flat as a pancake*, *good as gold* (of children's conduct),

good as a play (amusing), *hard as nails*, *heavy as lead*, *hungry as a hunter*, *jolly as a sandboy*, *keen as mustard*, *large as life*, *light as air*, *mad as a hatter*, *mad as a March hare*, *meek as Moses*, *merry as a grig*, *old as the hills*, *pale as a ghost*, *plain as a pikestaff*, *pleased as Punch*, *plentiful as blackberries*, *pump as a partridge*, *proud as a peacock*, *proud as Lucifer*, *quick as thought*, *quiet as a mouse*, *rich as a Jew*, *right as a trivet*, *right as rain*, *safe as a house*, *sharp as a needle*, *silent as the grave*, *snug as a bug in a rug*, *soft as butter*, *soft as velvet*, *sound as a bell*, *stiff as a poker*, *straight as a die*, *strong as a horse*, *stubborn as a mule*, *sure as fate*, *thick as thieves*, *thin as a lath*, *tight as a drum*, *true as steel*, *ugly as sin*, *warm as (a) toast*, *weak as a rat*, *weak as water*, *white as a sheet*. [OE *allwáð* (later *also*, *als*) adv. = wholly so, quite so]

as², n. Roman copper coin, orig. weighing 12 oz., but finally reduced to $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. [*L'*

as, pref. = AD- before s.]

asafœt'ida (-fæt-) n. Concreted resinous gum with strong smell of garlic used in medicine and cookery. [Med. *L. (asa f. Pers. asa mastic + foetida stinking)*]

asbës'tine (áz-), a. Of, like, asbestos, incombustible (lit. & fig.). [*f. L f. Gk. asbestinos f. foll., see -INE¹*]

asbës'ti'ôs (áz-), n. Fibrous mineral that can be woven into an incombustible fabric (also fig.). Hence ~IC, ~OID, aa. [*L f. Gk. = unquenchable (a- not + stebos f. sbennumi quench)*]

ascénd', v.t. & i. Go, come, up; (of things) rise, be raised; slope upwards, lie along ~ing slope; rise in thought, rank, degree of quality; (of sounds) rise in pitch; go back in point of time; (trans.) go up, climb; ~ a river, go along it towards its source; mount upon, as ~ the throne. [*L. ascendere, AD(ascendere) scens = scandere climb*]

ascén'dancy, -ency, n. Dominant control, sway, (over). [*f. foll., see -ANCY*]

ascén'dant, -ent, a. & n. 1. Rising; (Astron.) rising towards zenith; (Astrol.) just above eastern horizon; predominant. 2. n. Horoscope; point of elliptic or degree of zodiac that (esp. at birth of child) is just rising above eastern horizon; *house of the ~* (from 5 degrees of zodiac above this point to 25 below it); *lord of the ~*, any planet within this; *in the ~*, supreme, dominating, (improp.) rising; supremacy; ancestor. [*f. OF (-ant) f. L. as prec., see -ENT*]

ascén'sion (-shon), n. Act of ascending; ascent of Christ on fortieth day after resurrection; *A~day*, Holy Thursday, on which this is commemorated; *A~tide*, period of ten days from A~day to Whitsun Eve; rising of a celestial body, as *right ~* (celestial longitude). Hence ~AL a. [*f. L. ascensio (as ASCEND, see -ION)*]

ascēn'sive, *a.* Rising, progressive; (Gram.) intensive. [as prec., see -IVE]

ascēnt', *n.* Act of ascending; upward movement, rise, (lit. & fig.); way by which one may ascend, slope, flight of steps. [f. ASCEND on anal. of DESCEND]

ascertain', *v.t.* Find out (for certain), get to know. Hence ~ABLE *a.*, ~MENT *n.* [f. OF *ascertener*, st. *ascertain* (-āto + CERTAIN)]

ascēt'ic, *a. & n.* Severely abstinent, austere; (*n.*) one who practises severe self-discipline, esp. (Ecol. Hist.) one who retired into solitude for this purpose. Hence ~AL *a.*, ~ALLY *adv.*, ~ISM (-izm) *n.* [f. Gk *askētikos* f. *askētēs* monk (*askēō* exercise), see -ITE and -IO]

ascid'ium (asid-), *n.* Genus of molluscs with leathery enveloping tunic, regarded as link in development of Vertebrata. [f. Gk *askidion* dim. of *askos* wine-skin]

Asclep'iad, *n.* (Gk and Lat. Prosody) verse consisting of a spondee, two or three choriambs, & an iambus. Hence ~ēAN *a.* [f. L f. Gk *Asklepiadeios* (*Asklepiadēs*, Greek poet, the inventor)]

As'cot (ā-), *n.* Race-course on ~ Heath, Berks.; race-meeting at ~.

ascribe', *v.t.* Attribute, impute, (to); consider as belonging (to person or thing). Hence or cogn. ascrib'ABLE *a.*, ascrip'tion *n.*, (esp.) preacher's words ascribing praise to God at end of sermon. [earlier *ascribe* f. OF *ascrie* -st. of *ascrire* f. L *adscribere* script- write]

As'dic (ās-), *n.* Device for detecting submarine. [f. Initials of *Allied Submarine Detection Investigation Committee*]

āsē'it'y, *n.* (metaphys.). Underived existence, the being uncreate. [f. L *a se* from oneself + -ITY]

asēp'sis, *n.* Absence of putrefactive matter or harmful bacteria; the aseptic method in surgery. [A- (7) + Gk *sēpsis* decay (*sēpō*, see foll.)]

asēp'tic, *a. & n.* Free from putrefaction or blood-poisoning; surgically sterile, sterilized, (of wounds, instruments, dressings); (of method etc.) seeking the absence (rather than counteraction, of *antiseptic*) of septic matter; (*n.*) non-putrescent substance. [f. Gk *a-not* + *sēptikos* putrefying (*sēpō* rot, see -IO)]

asēx'ual, *a.* (Biol.) without sex. Hence asēx'ual'ITY *n.* [f. Gk *a-not* + *SEXUAL*]

āsh', *n.* Forest-tree with silver-grey bark, pinnate foliage, & close-grained wood; wood of this; ~fly, ~grub, (found on ~ & used by anglers); ~key, winged seed of the ~; ~leaf, an early potato; *moun-tain*~, rowan-tree. [com.-Teut.; OE *asē*, G *asche*]

āsh', *n.* (usu. pl.). Powdery residue left after combustion of any substance; (pl.) remains of human body after cremation (lit. & fig.); *lay in* ~, burn to the ground; *ask'ed* ~ (symbol of repentance); *bring back the* ~ (Orick.), wipe out

defeat; ~fire, low fire used in chemical operations; ~furnace (used in glass-making); *ash Wednesday*, first day of Lent (from Rom. Cath. custom of sprinkling ~es on penitents' heads). [com.-Teut.; OE *asē*, *asē*, Da. *aske*]

ashamed' (-md), *pred. a.* Abashed, disconcerted, by consciousness of guilt; ~ of (conduct); ~ for (on account of) you; ~ to do (implying reluctance, but not always abstention). [p.p. of obs. vb *ashame* (A- (1) + OE *scamian* SHAME)]

āsh'en', *a.* Pertaining to an ash-tree; made of ash. [ASH + -EN']

āsh'en', *a.* Of ashes; ash-coloured, pale. [ASH + -EN']

āsh'ēt, *n.* (Sc.). Big (usu. oval) plate. [f. F *assiette*]

Ashkenazim (ashkinahz'im), *n. pl.* Polish-German Jews (as dist. from SEPHARDIM). [mod. Heb. f. *Ashkenaz* (Gen. x. 8)]

āsh'lar, *n.* Square hewn stone(s); masonry constructed of this; similar masonry as facing to rubble or brick wall. [f. OF *aiseler* f. L *axillaris* (axilla dim. of *axis*, *axis*, axle, board, see -AR')]]

āsh'laring, *n.* Short upright boarding in garrets, cutting off acute angle formed by rafters with floor; ashlar masonry. [prec. + -ING']

ashōre', *adv.* To, on to, on, shore. [A prep.]

āsh'y, *a.* Of ashes; covered with ashes; ash-coloured, pale. [ASH + -Y']

Asiāt'ic (āshī-), *a. & n.* (Native) of Asia. [f. L f. Gk *Asiatikos* (*Asiatēs* f. *Asia*, see -IO)]

aside', *adv. & n.* 1. To, on, one side, away; set ~, quash (verdict); speak ~ (apart, in privacy). 2. *n.* Words spoken ~, esp. spoken by an actor & supposed not to be heard by other performers; indirect effort. [orig. on side, see A prep.]

ās'inine, *a.* Pertaining to asses; stupid. Hence āsinin'ITY *n.* [f. L *asininus* (*asinus* ass, -IN-')]]

-asis, *suf.* forming names of diseases. [L -asis f. Gk -asis in nouns of state f. vbs in -as]

ask (ah-), *v.t. & i.* Call for an answer to, as ~ (him) a question, ~ (him) this, ~ (him) who it is, ~ him the time, ~ a question of a person, ~ him about a thing; make a request (for), as ~ a favour of him, ~ (him) a favour, ~ (him) for it, ask (abs.), ~ him to do it, ~ that it may be done, ~ to have time given one; invite (person to dinner etc., or out); (of things) demand, require, as it ~s (for) attention; ~ (publish) the banns; (pop.) be ~ed in church, have one's banns called; ~ for trouble, ~ for it (sl.), court trouble. [com.-Teut.; OE *ascian*, ME *as* az az ask ask ask ask, etc.; az was usu. literary form to 1600]

askānce, -ānt', *adv.* Sideways, askint; with indirect meaning; look ~ at, view suspiciously. [?]

askar'i (-ahr-), n. European-trained African native soldier. [Arab. 'askari soldier; pl. oocas, as sing.]

askew, adv. & pred. a. Obliquely; look ~ (not straight in the face); (adj.) oblique. [etym. dub., cf. *skew*]

aslant (-ahnt), adv. & prep. Obliquely; (prep.) slantingly across, athwart. [A prep. + SLANT]

asleep, adv. & pred. a. In, into, a state of sleep (lit. & fig.); (of limbs) benumbed; (of top) spinning without apparent motion. [A prep. + SLEEP]

aslōpe, adv. & pred. a. Sloping, crosswise. [prob. f. OE *aslopen* p.p. of *aslopan* slip away]

asp, n. (also *aspen*). Kind of poplar with specially tremulous leaves. [com.-Teut.; OE *aspe*, *aspa*, G *espe*]

asp, n. Small venomous hooded serpent of Egypt and Libya; (poet.) any venomous serpent. [f. L f. Gk *aspis*]

asparagus, n. Plant, whose vernal shoots are a table delicacy. [L, f. Gk *asparagos*, etym. dub.; earlier *sperage*, *sparagus*, *sparrow-grass*]

aspect, n. Way of looking; a looking, fronting, in a given direction; side so fronting; phase; look, expression; appearance (esp. to the mind). [f. L *aspectus* -ūs (ADSPICERE -spect- look at)]

aspen, a. & n. Of, like, the asp (tree); quivering; (n.) -ASP. [ASP + -EN; wrongly taken as noun used attrib. in *aspen leaf* etc.]

aspergillum, n. Brush for sprinkling holy water. [L, f. *aspergere* (ad to + *spargere* sprinkle) + -illum dim. suf.]

asperity, n. Roughness; rough excrecence; severity (of weather); harshness, sharpness, (of temper). [f. OF *asprete* f. L *asperitatem* (asper rough, see -TY)]

asperse, v.t. Besprinkle (with); bespatter (person, character, with damaging reports); calumniate. So **aspestion** (-shn) n. [f. L *aspergere* -ere-, see ASPERGILLUM]

aspersorium, n. Vessel for holy water. [med. L (as prec., see -ORY)]

asphalt, n. A smooth hard bituminous substance; mixture of bitumen, pitch, & sand, for pavements etc.; similar mixture of coal-tar with sand etc. Hence **asphaltic** a. [f. Gk *asphaltos*, of foreign orig.]

asphalt, v.t. Lay (road) with asphalt. [f. prec.]

asphodel, n. Genus of lilaceous plants; (poet.) immortal flower in Elysium. [f. L f. Gk *asphodelos*, etym. dub.; earlier *affodū*, whence DAFFODIL]

asphyxia (-z'ya), n. Suspended animation due to lack of oxygen in blood, suffocation. Hence ~AL a.; ~ATIC v.t. [f. Gk *asphyxia* (-a not + *phusis* pulse)]

aspic, n. (poet.). -ASP. [f. L *aspidem*, nom. -is, w. unexpl. -de]

aspic, n. Savoury meat jelly with cold game, eggs, etc., in it. [F, etym. dub.]

aspidis tra, n. Foliage plant with broad taper leaves. [mod. L f. Gk *aspis* shield]

aspirant (or *aspiat*), a. & n. (One) who aspires (to, after, for). [F, as foll., see -ANT]

aspirate, a. & n. (Consonant) pronounced with a breathing, blended with sound of h; the sound of h. [f. L *aspirare*, see ASPIRE and -ATE]

aspirate, v.t. Pronounce with a breathing; draw out (gas) from vessel. [as prec., see -ATE]

aspiration, n. Drawing of breath; desire (for, after); action of aspirating. [f. L *aspiratio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

aspirator, n. Apparatus for drawing air, gas, through tube; instrument for drawing pus from abscesses; winnowing-machine. [f. L *aspirare*, see foll. and -OR]

aspire, v.i. Desire earnestly (to, after, at, to do, or abs.); mount up (usu. fig.). [f. L ADSPICARE breathe]

aspirin, n. An analgetics & febrifuge. [F]

asquint, adv. & pred. a. (With look or similar vb) obliquely, out at the corner of the eyes (esp. through defect in the eyes). [prob. f. or corr. to Du. *schuins* slant + A prep.]

ass (or *ahs*), n. Quadruped of horse family with long ears & tuft at end of tail (used esp. as type of ignorance, stupidity, etc.); make an ~ of, stultify (oneself, or another); *Asses' bridge* (*Pons Asinorum*), Euclid I, 5. [OE has isolated form *assa*, as well as *asol* for com.-Teut. *esil* f. L *asinus*]

assagai, -sagai, (-gi), n. Slender spear of hard wood, esp. a missile of S. African tribes. [f. F *asagaye* f. Arab. *asagayah* (al the + Berber word *sagayah*)]

assa'i (-ah-ē), adv. (mus.). Very. [It.]

assail, v.t. Make hostile attack upon (lit. & fig.); approach resolutely (task); overwhelm (with questions etc.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ANT n. [f. OF *asailr*, *asailtr*, f. LL *adealire* -sail- leap at]

assassin, n. One who undertakes to kill treacherously; (Hist.) Moslem fanatic in time of Crusades, sent by the Old Man of the Mountains to murder Christians. [F, f. med. L *assassinus* f. Arab. *hashshash*, *hashshatip* hashish-eater]

assassiniate, v.t. Kill by treacherous violence. Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR, nn. [f. med. L *assassinare* (*assassinus*), see prec. and -ATE]

assault, n. Hostile attack (lit. & fig.); ~ of, at, arms, attack in fencing, display of military exercises; rush against walls of fortress etc., as carry by ~; (Law) unlawful personal attack (including menacing words), as ~ & battery. [f. OF *assaut* f. LL *adassare* (as *assail*)]

assault¹, v.t. Make violent attack upon (lit. & fig.); assail; attack (fortress) by sudden rush. Hence **~ABLE** a. [f. OF *asauter* f. Rom. *assallare* spring at, for L *ad(su)llare* frequent. of *salire* salt-leap]

assay¹, n. Trial of metals, esp. of fineness of coin or bullion; metal to be so tried; (arch.) attempt. [OF, f. L *exagium* weighing (*exigere*, -agere, weigh, try)]

assay², v.t. & i. Try the purity of (precious metals, also fig.); attempt (anything difficult, to do). Hence **~ABLE** a. [f. OF *asayer*, *essayer*, f. LL *exagiare* (*exagium*, see prec.)]

assém'blage, n. Bringing, coming, together; concourse of persons; collection. [F (*assembler*, see foll. and -AGE)]

assém'ble, v.t. & i. Gather together, collect; (Mech.) fit together the parts of (machine, structure). [f. OF *assembler* f. L *assimulare* in the (late) sense of bring together (*simul*)]

assém'blý, n. Gathering together, concourse, esp. deliberative body, legislative council, (*Indian Legislative A*~, lower chamber of Indian legislature); military call by drum or bugle; assembling a machine or its parts; ~ room: room in which balls etc. are given; (also ~ shop) place where a machine or its parts are assembled. [f. OF *assemble* fem. p.p. of *assembler*, see prec.]

assent¹, v.i. Agree (to proposal), defer (to a desire); express agreement (to statement or opinion, or abs.). Hence **~OR**² n. [f. OF *asenter* f. L *assentare*, -ari, irreg. frequent. of *assentiri* agree to (*sentire* think)]

assent², n. (Official) concurrence, sanction, as royal ~ (of sovereign to bill passed by Parliament); mental acceptance. [f. OF *asente* (*asenter*, see prec.)]

assentá'tion, n. Obsequious concurrence. [F, f. L *assentationem* (as **ASSENT**, see -ATION)]

assén'tient (-shí-), a. & n. (Person) that assents. [f. L as **ASSENT**, see -ENT]

assér't, v.t. Vindicate a claim to (rights); ~ oneself, insist upon one's rights; declare. Hence **~ABLE**, ~IVE, aa., ~VELY² (-vi) adv., ~IVENESS (-vn) n. [f. L *as(erere seri-join)* put one's hand on slave's head to free him (whence obs. sense 'free' in E) or claim him, claim, affirm]

asser'tion, n. Insistence upon a right; self~, insistence on recognition of one's claims; affirmation, positive statement. [f. L *assertio* (as prec., see -ION)]

assert'or, n. One who asserts; champion, advocate, (of). [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

asses¹, v.t. Fix amount of (taxes, fine); fix amount of & impose (upon person or community); fine, tax, (person, community, property, in, at, so much); estimate value of (property) for taxation. Hence **~ABLE**², ~ABLY² adv., ~MENT n.

[f. OF *assessor* f. LL *assessare* frequent. of *as(sidère sess- = sedere sit)*]

assess'or, n. One who sits as assistant, adviser, to judge or magistrate; one who assesses taxes or estimates value of property for taxation. [f. OF *assessor* f. L *assessorem* assistant-judge (as prec., see -OR²)]

ass'ets, n. pl. (sing. -el). (Law) enough goods to enable heir to discharge debts & legacies of testator; property liable to be so applied; effects of insolvent debtor; property of person or company that may be made liable for debts; (sing.) item of this in balance-sheet, (loosely) any possession, (improp.) any useful quality. [f. AF *asete* f. OF *asex* enough f. LL *ad satis* to sufficiency]

assév'er'iate, v.t. Solemnly declare. So **~ATION** n. [f. L *asseverare* (*severus* serious), see -ATE²]

assib'il'iate, v.t. Give a hissing sound to. Hence **~ATION** n. [f. L *assibilare* hiss, see -ATE²]

assidú'ity, n. Close attention; (pl.) constant attentions. [f. L *assiduitas* (*assiduus*, see foll. and -ITY)]

assid'uous, a. Persevering, diligent. Hence **~LY**² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *assiduus* (as **ASSES**) + -OUS]

assign¹ (-in), v.t. Allot as a share (to); make over (esp. personal property, to); appoint (place etc. to); fix, specify; ascribe, refer, (event to date); ascribe (reason to, for, thing). Hence **~ABLE** (-in-) a., **assignor**² (-in-) n. [f. OF *assigner* f. L *assignare* mark out to (*signum* sign)]

assign² (-in), n. One to whom property, right, is legally transferred. [ME *assigne* (three syllables) f. F *assigné* p.p. of *assigner* (see prec.) gives both *assign* & *assignee*]

ass'ignât, n. Paper money issued by revolutionary government of France. [F, f. L *assignatum*, neut. p.p. of *assignare* assign]

assigná'tion, n. Apportionment; formal transference; appointment (of time & place); attribution of origin. [f. OF *assignacion* f. L *assignationem* (as **ASSIGN**¹, see -ATION)]

assignee¹ (-in-), n. One appointed to act for another; assign; ~s in bankruptcy, persons charged with management of bankrupt's estate. [f. OF *a(s)igné*, see **ASSIGN** n.]

assign'ment (-in-), n. Allotment; legal transference; document effecting this; attribution; statement (of reasons); *task allotted to person. [f. OF *assignement* f. med. L *assignamentum* (as **ASSIGN**¹, see -MENT)]

assim'il'iate, v.t. & i. Make like (to, with); compare (to, with); absorb into the system (lit. & fig.); (intr.) be so absorbed. Hence or cogn. **~ABU'rry**, ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. L *assimilare* (*similis* like), see -ATE²]

assist', v.t. & i. & n. 1. Help (person, process, person *in doing*), whence ~ANT a. & n., ~ANCE n. 2. v.i. Take part (*in*); be present (*ab.*) 3. n. * (Baseball) score credited to fielder who stops & throws in the ball to player nearest the base to which an opponent is running, so helping to put him out. [f. *F. assister* f. *L. assistere* take one's stand by]

assize', n. Statutory price (of bread and ale); trial in which sworn assessors decide questions of fact, || esp. periodical sessions in each county of England for administration of civil & criminal justice; *great ~*, last judgement. [f. OF *asise*, fem. sing. p.p. (as n.) of *asseoir* sit at f. *L. assidere*, cf. ASSESS]

assô'ciable (-sha-), a. That can be connected in thought (*with*). Hence ~ABIL'ITY n. [f. *F. associer* (as foll., see -ABLE)]

assô'ciate¹ (-shi-), a. & n. 1. Joined in companionship, function, or dignity; allied. 2. n. Partner; companion; colleague; subordinate member of an association; thing connected with another. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. *L. associare* (*socius* sharing, allied), see -ATE¹]

assô'ciât'e² (-shi-), v.t. & i. Join (persons, things, or one *with* another); connect in idea; make oneself a partner *in* (a matter); (intr.) combine for common purpose; have intercourse (*with*). Hence ~IVE, ~ORY, aa., ~OR² n. [as prec., see -ATE²]

assô'ciâ'tion, n. Act of associating (in all senses); organized body of persons; || deed of ~, document giving particulars of limited liability company; fellowship, intimacy; ~ of ideas, mental connexion between an object & ideas related to it; || ~ football (abbr. soccer), kind played with round ball, which must not be handled (cf. RUGBY). [f. *L. associatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

assoil', v.t. (arch.). Absolve from sin, pardon; acquit; release; atone for. [f. OF *assoil*, *assoille*, pres. ind. & subj. of *assoudre* f. *L. absolvere* loose; Sc. has *assolzie* (pron. -yi) still used in sense 'acquit']

ass'onance, n. Resemblance of sound between two syllables; rhyming of one word with another in the accented vowel & those that follow, but not in the consonants (e.g. *sonnet*, *porridge*); partial correspondence. So ~ANT a. [f. *L. Assonare* respond to (*sonus* sound), see -ANCE]

assort', v.t. & i. Classify, arrange in sorts; group *with* others; furnish (store, shop) with an assortment; (intr.) associate *with*; fall into a class; suit *well* or *ill with*. [f. OF *assorter* (à to + *sorte* SORT)]

assort'ment, n. Assorting; assorted set of goods of one or several classes. [-MENT]

assuage' (-sw-), v.t. Calm, soothe, (person, feelings, pain); appease (appetite,

desire). Hence ~MENT (aswā'm-) n. [f. OF *assuager* f. *L. +assuare* (*suavis* sweet)]

assu[m]e', v.t. Take upon oneself (aspect, air); ~ing, taking much upon oneself, arrogant; undertake (office, duty); usurp; simulate; take for granted (thing, thing to be, *that*). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ABLY¹ adv. [f. *L. as(sumere sumpt- take)*]

assu[m]p'tion, n. Act of assuming (in all senses); (A~) reception of Virgin Mary into heaven, feast in honour of this; thing assumed; arrogance. [f. *L. assumptio* (as ASSUME, see -ION)]

assu[m]p'tive, a. Taken for granted; arrogant. [f. *L. assumptivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

assur'ance (ashoor-), n. Formal guarantee; positive declaration; (Law) securing of a title; compact securing value of property in the event of its being lost, or payment of specified sum on person's death (usu. life~, fire-, marine-, insurance); certainty (*make ~ double sure*, remove all possible doubt, Shakesp., *Macb.* IV. i. 83); self-confidence; impudence. [f. OF *aseurance* (*asetirer*, see foll. & -ANCE)]

assure (ashoor'), v.t. Make safe; ~ life (see prec.); make certain, ensure the happening etc. of; make (person) sure (of fact); tell (person) confidently (of a thing, of its being so, *that it is so*). Hence **assur'edly**¹ adv., **assur'edness** n., (-shoor-). [f. OF *asetirer* f. *LL. adsecurare* (*securus* safe)]

assur'gent, a. Rising; (Bot.) rising obliquely; aggressive. [f. *L. Assurgere* rise, see -ENT]

Assyriô||og'y, n. Study of language, history, antiquities, of Assyria. Hence ~L'OGIST n. [f. *L. f. Gk Assuria* + LOGY]

astât'ic, a. Not tending to keep one position; ~ galvanometer, one in which the effect on the needle of the earth's magnetic field is greatly reduced; ~ needle (unaffected by earth's magnetism). [f. *Gk astatos* unstable (a- not + *stas*-stand) + -IO]

âs'ter, n. Genus of plants with showy radiated flowers; *China ~*, flower allied to this. [L, f. *Gk aster* star]

-âster, sufl. expressing contempt, added to L and Rom. nn., as *oleaster*, *poetaster*, meaning 'petty, sham, would-be'. [L, as in *philosophaster*]

âs'terisk, n. & v.t. Star (*) used to mark words for reference or distinction; (v.t.) mark with ~. [f. *L. f. Gk asteriskos* dim. as ASTER]

âs'terism, n. Cluster of stars; three asterisks (***) calling attention. [f. *Gk asterismos* (ASTER, see -ISM)]

astérn', adv. (naut.). In, at, the stern; away behind; ~ of, behind (a ship, boat); backwards. [A prep. + STERN¹]

âs'teroid, a. & n. 1. Star-shaped. 2. n. Name of small planets revolving round

sun between orbits of Mars and Jupiter kind of firework. Hence ~AL (-old) [f. Gk *asteroides* (ASTRA, see -OID)]

asthma (-sm-), n. A disease of respiration, characterized by difficult breathing, cough, etc. [Gk *asthma* -mátos (ast breathes hard, see -M)]

asthmatic (-am-), a. & n. Pertaining to, suffering from, good against, asthma (n.) person suffering from asthma. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv. [f. Gk *asthmátikos* (as prec., see -IO-)]

asthore, n. (voc.). Darling. [Ir., voc. of *astor* treasure]

astigmatism, n. Structural defect in the eye or a lens, preventing rays of light from being brought to common focus. So **astigmat'ic** a. [f. Gk *a-* not + *stigma* -mátos point + -IO]

astir, adv. & pred. a. In motion; out of bed; in excitement. [A prep. + STR n.]

astor'ish, v.t. Amaze, surprise; *astoried* (aroh. p.p. of *astomy*, see etym.), dazed, dismayed. Hence ~MENT n. [altered f. obs. *astomy* unexpl. form of obs. *astone* apparently f. OF *estoner*, *estuner* (mod. *étonner*), stupify, shock, f. L **astionare* (cf. L *atonare* strike with thunderbolt, stun); relation to STUN and G *staunen* is uncertain]

astound, v.t. Shock with alarm or surprise; amaze. [f. obs. *astound* a. = *astoned* p.p. of obs. *astone*, see prec.]

astrá'die, adv. & pred. a. In a straddling position. [A prep. + STRADDLE v.]

astragal, n. (Arohit.) small moulding round top or bottom of columns; (Gunnery) ring round cannon near mouth. [f. foll.]

astrá'gulus, n. Ball of ankle-joint; genus of leguminous plants including milk-vetch. [L, f. Gk *astragalos* huckle-bone, moulding, plant]

astrakhán (-kán), n. Skin of young lambs from Astrakhan in Russia, with wool like fur.

astr'al, a. Connected with, consisting of, stars; ~ *spirits* (supposed to live in stars); ~ *body*, spiritual appearance of the human form; ~ *hatch*, dome-shaped window in aircraft through which the navigator takes astronomical observations; ~ *lamp* (throwing no shadow on table below). [f. L *astralis* (astrum star, see -AL)]

astray, adv. or pred. a. Out of the right way (lit. & fig.). [perh. orig. f. OF *estraté* p.p. of *estrater* f. L **extravagare* wander out of bounds; but confused w. forms like *a-float*, *a-sleep*; no early noun *stray*] **astri'ct**, v.t. (rare). Bind tightly; make coercive; bind morally, legally; restrict (to). So **astri'ction** n. [f. L *astringere* -ict- (ad to + *stringere* bind)]

astri'ctive, a. Tending to contract organic tissues; astringent, styptic. [as prec., see -IVE]

astride, adv., pred. a., & prep. In striding position; with legs on each side (of); ~ *of the road* etc., (Mil.) posted across it; (prep.) ~ *of*. [A prep. + STRIDE n.]

astringe' (-nj), v.t. Bind together; compress; constipate. [as ASTRICT]

astrin'gent (-nj), a. & n. Binding, styptic; severe; austere; (n.) ~ *medicine*. Hence ~LY² adv., **astrin'gen'cy** n. [as prec., see -ENT]

astro-, in comb. = Gk *astron* star; in wds f. Gk, as **ASTRONOMY**, & mod. formations as *astró'ogy*, stellar cosmogony, *astro'lit'hó'ogy*, study of meteoric stones; *astro'dóme*, *astro'dóich*, = **ASTRAL hatch**; *astro'phys'ics*, branch of astronomy dealing with the physical properties & chemical composition of the heavenly bodies.

astro'ite, n. Gem known to the ancients; kind of madreporae. [f. L *astroites* (see prec. and -ITE)]

astro'lábe, n. Instrument formerly used for taking altitudes etc. [f. OF *astrelabe* f. med. L *astrolabium* f. Gk **ASTRO-** (ab-take)]

astró'ogy, n. (Formerly) practical astronomy (also called *natural* ~); art of judging of reputed occult influence of stars upon human affairs (*judicial* ~). So **astró'og'ic** n., **astro'log'ic(AL)** aa., **astro'log'icaly**¹ adv. [f. F *astrologie* f. L f. Gk **ASTRO(logia)** -LOGY]

astrón'om'ic, n. Science of the heavenly bodies. So ~RY¹ (S) n., student of ~y, **astrónóm'ic(AL)** aa. (~ical *figures*, *distances*, as enormous as those familiar to ~ers), **astrónóm'icaly**¹ adv. [f. OF *astronomie* f. L f. Gk *astronomia* f. **ASTRONOMOS** a. star-arranging (*nemó* arrange)]

astute, a. Shrewd, sagacious; crafty. Hence ~LY¹ (-tly) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *astutus* length. form of *astus* crafty]

astún'der, adv. (Of two or more things) apart (in motion or position); *tear* ~, *tear* to pieces. [OE *on sundran*, see A prep. & **SUNDER**]

asyl'um, n. Sanctuary, place of refuge, esp. for criminals or debtors; shelter, refuge; institution for shelter & support of afflicted or destitute persons, esp. lunatics (now *mental home*). [L, f. Gk *asylon* neut. of adj. *asulos* inviolable (a-not + *uile* right of seizure)]

asýmm'étrý, n. Want of symmetry. [A- (7) + **SYMMETRY**]

asýmptóte, n. Line that approaches nearer & nearer to given curve but does not meet it within a finite distance. [f. Gk *asumptótes* not falling together (a-not + *sum-* together + *pótes* falling f. *ptéō*)]

asýn'déton, n. (pl. -ta). A rhetorical figure that omits the conjunction. [f. Gk *asundeton* unconnected (a-not + *sundéto* f. *sindéō* bind together)]

it¹ (or *at*), prep. 1. Expressing exact, approximate, or vague position, lit. &

fig., as *meet at a point, wait at the corner, at the top, at Bath* (or any town except London and that in which the speaker is), *at school, at sea, at a distance, at arm's length, out at elbows, at work, at dinner, play at fighting, good at repartee, at daggers drawn, at a disadvantage, at his mercy, at a low price, at midday, at first, at least, at all events, annoyed at finding, impatient at delay; at 10 High Street*, = c/o Mr. A., 10 High Street. 2. Expr. motion towards, lit. & fig., as *arrive at a place, get, rush, shoot, laugh, grumble, hint, snatch, aim, at*. 3. *At all*, in any degree (in neg. context); *at best, worst*, assuming best, worst, result etc.; *at one*, in harmony or agreement (*with*); *at that*, at that estimate (*will take it at that*, accept that account of the matter), moreover, into the bargain (*lost an arm, & the right arm at that*). [com.-Teut., but lost in G & Du.; OE *æt*, cogn. w. L *ad*]

|| **At** (æt), n. (colloq.). Member of the (Women's) Auxiliary Territorial Service. [f. initials A.T.S. (æts) treated as pl.]

at-, pref. = *AD-* before f.

āt'araxy, -āx'ia, n. Stoical indifference.

[Gk *ataraxia* (a- not + *tarassō* disturb)]

ataun'tō, adv. (naut.). With all sails set; *all ~*, shipshape & Bristol fashion. [f. F *autant* as much]

āt'avism, n. Resemblance to remote ancestors, reversion to earlier type; recurrence of disease after intermission of some generations. Hence **ātavis'tic** [-ist, -ic] a. [f. F *atavisme* f. L *atavus* great-grandfather's grandfather, see -ism]

atāx'ic, a. Characterized by ataxy; *~ fever*, malignant typhus fever. [f. foll. + -ic]

atāx'y, n. Irregularity of animal functions; *locomotor ~*, constitutional unsteadiness in use of legs, arms, etc. [f. Gk *ataxia* (a- not + *taxis* order f. *taxis* arrange)]

ate. See **EAT**.

-ate¹, suf. forming nn. orig. f. L *-atus* (gen. -as) in nouns of state from p.p. stems or nouns, or f. L *-atus*, -ata, -atum (see -ATE²), which in OF became -é (-ée), but in learned words, & later in many reformed words, -at, as *prélat*, *primat*, *magistrat*. E having adopted -at afterwards added -e to mark quantity of a, & later words took -ate at once. E also formed wds either directly on L as *curate* or by anal. as *aldermanate*. Most nn. in -ate are (1) nn. of office, as *marguillate*, *syndicate*, (2) participial nn., as *legate* one deputed, *precipitate* what is thrown down, (3) chem. terms denoting salts formed by action of an acid on a base, as *nitrate*, *sulphate*.

-ate², suf. forming adj. (1) chiefly (thr. F) f. L p.p. in -atus (1st conj.), which (cf. prec.) became successively -at, -ate, as *desolate*. Many such adj. formed

causative vbs (see foll.) & served as p.p. to them, till later the native -ed was added; -ated also appears without intervention of vb, as *annulated*, and as alternative form to -ate; (2) L participial adj. were also formed on nn., as *caudatus* tailed, & on adj. as *caudatus* white-robed; these were largely adopted in E, & others formed on anal. Many nouns in -ATE¹ were orig. adj. In *cordate*, *ovate*, etc., the sense is 'shaped like'.

-ate³, suf. forming vbs to correspond to adj. in -ATE², and subsequently to repr. the corresp. L vb in -are (n.p. -atus), as *separate*, *aggravate*. As these vbs usu. have F equivalents in -er, -ate was further used to form vbs on model of F vbs in -er, as *isolate* (F *isoler*). -ate was also used to form vbs that L might have formed, but did not, on nouns, as *felicitate* (L *felicitas* -atis), & even vbs on nouns not of L orig., as *camphorate*.

atelier (see Ap.), n. Workshop, studio. [F] **āt'elo-** in comb. = Gk *atelēs* imperfect (a- not + *telos* end), as *glossia*, -*gnathia*, -*stomia*, imperfect development of tongue, jaws, mouth.

Athanā'sian (ā-, -shn), a. Of Athanasius (archbishop of Alexandria in reign of Constantine), as *~ creed* (that beginning *Whosoever will*). [f. *Athanastius* + -AN]

āth'ēlism, n. Disbelief in the existence of a God; godlessness. So **-ist** n., **-is'tic** a., **-is'tically** adv. [f. F *athéisme* f. Gk *atheos* without God (a- not + *theos* God), see -ISM]

āthēnae'um, n. Literary or scientific club (|| esp. the A~, in London); reading-room, library. [L, f. Gk *Athēnaites* temple of *Athēnā*, goddess of wisdom]

athirst', pred. a. Thirsty; eager (*for*). [OE *ofthyrst* for *ofthyrsted* p.p. of *ofthyrstan* be thirsty]

āth'lēte, n. Competitor in physical exercises; robust, vigorous, man. [f. L *athleta* f. Gk *athlētēs* f. *athlēō* contend for prize (*athlon*), see -ER²]

āthlēt'ic, a. & n. Pertaining to athletes; physically powerful; (n. pl.) practice of physical exercises. Hence **-ically** adv., **-icism** n. [f. L f. Gk *athlētikos* (as prec.)] **at-hōme**, n. Reception of visitors within certain hours during which host or hostess or both have announced that they will be at home.

athwart' (-ort), adv. & prep. Across from side to side (usu. obliquely); cross-wise, perversely; in opposition to; (of ship) *~ bow*, across stem of another ship at anchor. [A prep. + **THWART**]

-atic, adj. suf. (= F *-atique*) f. L *-aticus* (orig. -at- of p.p. stems + -ic, but extended to nouns as *fantastic* f. *fantasma*), which gives also -AGE; in many modern formations, as *hematic*, *lymphatic*; but in many apparent ex. *dramatic*, *prismatic* the suf. is -ic, & -at- part of the stem.

-atile, adj. suf. like **-ATIO** in orig. & use = **-at** + **-ile**, as *volatile*, *fluviatile*.

a-tilt', adv. Tilted; *run, ride*, ~ (in encounter on horseback with thrust of lance, usu. fig.). [**A** prep. + **TILT**]

-a'tion, suf. (= **-at** of **L** 1st conj. p.p. stems + **-ion**) forming abstract nouns on **L** 1st conj. vbs as *agitation*, **Gk** vbs in **-izeō** (**L** *-izare* -**ize**) as *organisation*, **F** vbs in **-er** as *filtration*, & rarely **E** vbs as *starvation*, the last on false anal. *f. vexation* etc., formed on **L** *vexare*, not on **E** *vex*. The great preponderance of **-ation** over **-ition** etc. is due to **F** adoption of the **-er** vb (= **L** 1st conj.) as the type for all new vbs. Wds taken f. **OF** have often **-ison**, **-son**, (*orison*, *reason*) instead of **-ation**. Most wds have vb in **-ate** corresp. (*creation*), many a shortened vb f. **L** 1st conj. (*plantation*, *plant*, not *plantate*; *modify*, not *modificate*), a few no vb (*duration*). Meanings: (1) vbl action; (2) instance of this; (3) resulting state; (4) concrete result (*plantation*).

-ative, adj. suf. = **-at** + **-ive** (cf. **-ATIO**); most **exc.** are f. vbs in **-ate** as *demonstrative*, or **L** 1st conj. as *affirmative*, some f. nouns in **-ry** (**L** st. **-fat**) as *authoritative*, & some on **E** vbs as *talkative*.

atlān'tes (-ēz), n. pl. (archit.). Sculptured male figures serving as pillars. [**Gk**, pl. of **ATLAS**]

Atlān'tic, a. & n. 1. Pertaining to mount Atlas in Libya; hence applied to sea near western shore of Africa, & later to whole ocean between Europe & Africa on east & America on west. 2. n. ~ ocean. [**L** f. **Gk** *Atlantikos* f. **ATLAS**]

atlān'tosaur'us, n. (palaeont.). (Kinds of) gigantic fossil reptile. [**F**. **ATLAS** + **Gk** *sauros* lizard]

āt'las, n. Volume of maps; large size of drawing paper; (Physiol.) uppermost cervical vertebra, supporting skull. [*Atlas* -antos (1) Greek god of the older family, who held up pillars of universe; (2) the mountain in Libya, regarded as supporting the heavens]

atmo- in comp. = **Gk** *atmos* vapour, as *atmō'opis*, science of aqueous vapour, *atmō'ysis*, separation of vapours, *atmō'mēter* (for measuring evaporation).

āt'mosphēre, n. Spheroidal gaseous envelope surrounding heavenly body; that surrounding earth; one surrounding any substance; mental or moral environment; air (in any place); (w. pl.) pressure of 15 lb. on square inch (that exerted by ~ on earth's surface). Hence **āt'mosphē'ric** (AL) aa., **āt'mosphē'ricāliz'** adv.; **āt'mosphē'rics** n. pl., interference with wireless reception due to electric disturbance in ~. [**F**. **ATMO** + **Gk** *sphaيرا* ball]

atōll (or **āt'ōl**), n. Ring-shaped coral reef enclosing lagoon. [Maldivian *atoll*, *atoll*, prob. = Malayalam *adal* closing]

āt'om, n. 1. Body too small to be divided; *physical* ~, supposed ultimate particle of matter (now held to consist of a positively charged nucleus, in which is concentrated most of the mass of the ~, round which revolve negatively charged electrons); *chemical* ~s, smallest particles in which elements combine with themselves or with each other; ~ *bomb*, **ATOMIC** bomb. 2. Minute portion; small thing. [**F**. *atome* f. **L** f. **Gk** *atomos* indivisible (*a* - not + *tomos* cut f. *temnō*)]

atōm'ic, a. Of, relating to, an atom or atoms; ~ *bomb* (deriving its destructiveness from the disintegration and partial conversion into energy of uranium atoms); ~ *number*, (of a chemical element) number of unit positive charges carried by the nucleus of its atom; ~ *philosophy*, doctrine of formation of all things from indivisible particles endowed with gravity & motion; (Chem.) ~ *theory* (that elemental bodies consist of indivisible atoms of definite relative weight, & that atoms of different elements unite with each other in fixed proportions, which determine the proportions in which elements & compounds enter into chemical combination); ~ *weight*, (now usu.) ratio between the weight of one atom of the element & of the weight of an atom of oxygen, (formerly) weight of an atom of the element as compared with that of an atom of hydrogen. Hence ~ **AL** a., ~ **ALIZ'** adv. [**prec.** + **-ic**]

ātomi'city, n. The number of atoms in the molecule of an element; (formerly) = **VALENCY**. [**f. prec.**, see **-RY**]

āt'omism, n. Atomic philosophy; doctrine of action of individual atoms. [**ATOM** + **-ISM**]

āt'om|ist, n. Holder of atomic theory or philosophy. Hence ~ **is'tic** a. [**ATOM** + **-IST**]

āt'omiz'e, v.t. Reduce to atoms. Hence ~ **A'TION** n. [**ATOM** + **-IZE**]

āt'omizer, n. (med.). Instrument for reducing liquids to fine spray. [**prec.** + **-ER**]

āt'om'y, n. Skeleton; emaciated body. [**f. ANATOMY**, *an-* being taken as article]

āt'om'y, n. Atom, tiny being. [**f. atomi** pl. of **L** *atomus* **ATOM**]

atōn'al, a. (mus.). Not conforming to any system of key or mode. [**A** - (7) + **TONAL**]

atōne', v.i. & t. 1. Make amends (esp. ~ *for*, expiate). 2. v.t. (arch.). Reconcile (enemies), compose (quarrel). Hence ~ **MENT** (-nm-) n. (*Day of Atonement*, most solemn religious fast of Jewish year.) [**AT** + **ONE**, = set at one, unite]

atōn'ic, a. & n. Unaccented, unstressed; (Path.) wanting tone; (n.) unaccented word (esp. in **Gk** Gram.). [**f. med. L** *atonicus* f. **Gk** *atonos* toneless (*a* - not + *tonos* **TONUS**), see -**ic**]

atōp', adv. On the top (of). [**A** prep. +

atrabilious (-lyus), a. Affected by black bile; melancholy; acrimonious. Hence ~NESS n. [f. L *atra bilis* black bile + -ous, after L *biliosus* bilious]

atrip, adv. (Of anchor) just lifted from ground in weighing. [A prep. + TRIP]

atrium, n. (pl. -a, -ums). Central court of Roman house; covered portico, esp. before church door. [L]

atrocious (-shus), a. Heinously wicked; very bad, as ~pun. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *atrox* -ocis (after black) + -ous]

atrociousness, n. Heinous wickedness; atrocious deed; bad blunder. [f. L *atroctas* (as prec., see -TY)]

atrophy, n. Wasting away through imperfect nourishment; emaciation (lit. & fig.). Hence **atrophic** v.t. & i. [f. F *atrophie* f. L f. Gk *atrophía* f. *atrophos* ill-fed (a-not + *trophé* food)]

atropine, n. Poisonous alkaloid found in deadly nightshade. [f. *atropa* deadly nightshade f. Gk *Atropis* inflexible, name of one of the Fates, see -INE²]

att'a, n. The common wheat flour or meal of India. [Punjabi]

***att'aboy**, int. Exclamation expressive of encouragement or admiration. [corrupt. of *that's the boy!*]

attache, v.t. & i. Fasten (thing to another); join oneself (to person, company, expedition); bind in friendship, make devoted, (has the gift of ~ing people to him; is deeply ~ed to her); affix (immaterial things, name, liability, etc., to); attribute (importance etc. to); (Law) seize (person, property) by legal authority; adhere, be incident, as no blame ~es to. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *attacher* (mod. *attacher*, It. *attaccare*) f. *a* to + root found in Genevise *tacha*, Sp. and Port. *tacha*, nail, TACK]

attache (atash'a), n. One attached to ambassador's suite; ~ case, small rectangular valise ostensibly for carrying documents. [F, p.p. of *attacher* (as prec.)]

attachement, n. Act of attaching; thing attached; means of attaching; affection; legal seizure, esp. foreign ~ (of foreigner's goods, to satisfy his creditors). [f. F *attachement* (*attacher* ATTACH, see -MENT)]

attack¹, v.t. Fall upon, assault, (lit. & fig.); (of physical agents or diseases) act destructively upon. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *attaquer* f. It. *attaccare*, see ATTACH]

attack², n. Act of attacking (lit. & fig.); offensive operation. [f. prec.]

attain, v.t. & i. Arrive at, reach; gain, accomplish; (intr.) ~to, arrive at. Hence ~ABLE¹ n., ~ABLE a., ~ableness n. [f. OF *ataign* -st. of *ataindre* f. L *attingere* (tangere touch)]

attainder, n. Consequences of sentence of death or outlawry (forfeiture of estate, corruption of blood, extinction of civil rights). [OF *ataindre* *ataindre* used as n.;

meaning influenced by confus. w. OF *ataindre* TAINTE]

attainment, n. Act of attaining; thing attained, esp. personal accomplishment. [ATTAIN + -MENT]

attaint, v.t. Subject to attainder; (of diseases etc.) strike, affect; infect; sully. [f. obs. *attaint* a. f. OF *ataint* p.p. as ATTAIN; confused in meaning with TAINTE]

att'ar, n. Fragrant essential oil from rose-petals. (f. Pers. *'aṭar* (gal) essence (of roses) f. Arab. *'uṭar* aroma f. *'aṭara* breathe perfume)

attēmp'er, v.t. Qualify by admixture; modify temperature of; soothe, mollify; accommodate to; attune to; temper (metal). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *atēmp're* f. L *atēmp'ere*]

attēmp't¹, v.t. Try (thing, action, to do); try to master (enemy, fortress); ~ the life of, try to kill. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *atēmp'ter*, f. L *atēmp'tare* strive after]

attēmp't², n. Attempting; endeavour. [f. prec.]

attēnd, v.t. & i. Turn the mind to; apply oneself (to or abs.); be present (at); wait upon; (trans.) wait upon; escort, accompany; be present at (lecture etc.). [f. OF *atēndre* f. L *atēndere* -tent-stretch]

attēndance, n. Act of attending (upon person, at lecture); dance ~ on, attend the convenience of; body of persons present. [f. OF *atēndance* (as prec., see -ANCE)]

attēndant, a. & n. 1. Waiting (upon); accompanying, as ~ circumstances; present, as ~ crowd. 2. n. Servant, satellite. [OF, part. as ATTEND]

attēntion, n. & int. Act of attending, as pay, give, ~; faculty of attending, as attract, call, ~; consideration, care; (pl.) ceremonious politeness (pay one's ~s to, court); come to, stand at, ~ (military attitude; A~I, order to assume it). [f. L *attēntio* (as ATTEND, see -TION)]

attēntive, a. Heedful, observant; polite, assiduous. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [F (-f, -ive), f. L as ATTEND, see -IVE]

attēn'ūl'ate¹, v.t. Make slender; make thin in consistence; reduce in force or value. So ~ATION n. [f. L *attēnuare* (*tenus* thin), see -ATE¹]

attēn'ūate², a. Slender; rarefied. [as prec., see -ATE²]

attēst, v.t. & i. Testify, certify; put (person) on oath or solemn declaration; administer oath of allegiance to (recruit); (intr.) bear witness to. Hence ~OR² n. [f. F *attēstare* f. L *attēstari* (testis witness)]

attēstā'tion, n. Act of testifying; testimony; evidence; formal confirmation by signature, oath, etc.; administration of an oath. [F, f. L *attēstatiōnem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

Att'ic¹ (a.), a. & n. Of Athens or Attica; ~ (Attic), Greek spoken by the Athenians;

~ *salt, wit, refined wit*; ~ *order, square column of any of the five ORDERS*. [f. L f. Gk *Attikos*]

att'ic, n. Structure consisting of small order placed above another of greater height (usu. *Attic*; highest storey of house; room in this. [f. F *attique*, as prec.]

att'icism, n. Style, idiom, of Athens; refined amenity of speech; attachment to Athens. So ~*ies* (2) v.i. [f. Gk *attikismos*]

attife', v.t., & n. Dress, array. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *atirer* (à to + *tire*, see *TIER*)]

att'itude, n. Disposition of figure (in painting etc.); posture of body, as *strike an ~* (assume it theatrically); settled behaviour, as indicating opinion; ~ of *mind*, settled mode of thinking. [f. F. It. *attitudine* fitness, posture, f. med. L *aptitudinem* (*aptus* fit, see *TUDE*)]

attitud'inize, v.i. Practise attitudes; speak, write, behave, affectedly. [f. prec. + *-ize*]

attorn' (-*ên*), v.t. & i. (law). Transfer; make legal acknowledgement of new landlord. Hence ~*ment* n. [f. OF *atorner* (à to + *turner* TURN)]

attorn'ey¹ (-*tér-*), n. One appointed to act for another in business or legal matters; *A~ General*, legal officer empowered to act in all cases in which the State is a party; *abuse plaintiff's ~* (iron. advice to lawyer with a weak case). Hence ~*SHIP* n. [f. OF *atorné* p.p. as *ATTORN*]

attorn'ey² (-*tér-*), n. *Letter, warrant, of ~* (by which person appoints another to act for him); *power of ~*, authority thus conferred. [f. OF *atorné* fem. p.p., see prec.]

attract', v.t. Draw to oneself (esp. of physical forces); excite the pleasurable emotions of (person); draw forth & fix upon oneself (attention etc.). Hence ~*ABILITY* n., ~*ABLE* a. [f. L *AT(trahere tract-draw)*]

attract'ion, n. Act, faculty, of drawing to oneself (lit. & fig.); drawing force; thing that attracts (fig.); ~ of *gravity* (existing between all bodies, & varying directly as their masses, inversely as the square of their distance apart); *magnetic ~*, action of magnet in drawing iron; *molecular ~* (between molecules of bodies, acting only at infinitesimal distances); *capillary ~* (by which liquid is drawn up through hairlike tube). [F, L *attractionem* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

attract'ive, a. Attracting, capable of attracting (esp. fig.). Hence ~*LY*¹ (-*vl-*) adv., ~*NESS* (-*vn-*) a. [F (*-if, -ive*), as prec., see -*IVE*]

attrib'ute¹, n. Quality ascribed to anything; material object recognized as appropriate to person or office; characteristic quality; (Gram.) attributive word. [f. *attribuere -ut assign*]

attrib'ute², v.t. Ascribe as belonging or appropriate to; refer (effect to its cause); assign (to time or place). Hence ~*ABLE* a. [as prec.]

attrib'ution, n. Act of attributing; authority granted (to a ruler etc.). [F, f. L *attributio* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

attrib'utive, a. & n. 1. (Logic) assigning an attribute to a subject; (Gram.) expressing an attribute (e.g. *old* in the *old dog* but not in the *dog is old*). 2. n. Word denoting an attribute (usu. an adjective or its equivalent). Hence ~*LY*² (-*vl-*) adv. [F (*-if, -ive*), as *ATTRIBUTH*¹, see -*IVE*]

attrit'ed, a. Worn by friction. [f. L *AT-(terere trit-rub)*]

attrit'ion, n. Friction; wearing out (*wear of ~*, turning on which side can last longest); abrasion; (Theol.) sorrow for sin (short of *contrition*). [f. L *attritio* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

attune', v.t. Bring into musical accord (to, lit. & fig.); tune (instrument). [AT- + *TUNE* v.]

atyp'ical, a. Not conforming to type. [A- (7) + *TYPICAL*]

aubade (òbàhd'), n. Musical announcement of dawn. [F]

auberge (òbàrz'), n. Inn. [F]

aubriet(ia) (òbrét'a, òbrèsh'a), (erron.) -*retia*, n. (Kinds of) spring-flowering dwarf perennial plant. [f. Claude *Aubriet* (French artist), see -*IA*¹]

aub'urn (-*ern*), a. Golden-brown (usu. of hair). [f. OF *aubarne* f. L *alburnus* whitish]

au courant (ò kòr'rahñ), pred. a. Acquainted with what is going on; well-informed. [F]

auc'tion, n. Public sale in which articles are sold to the highest of successive bidders; *Dutch ~*, sale in which price is reduced by auctioneer till a purchaser is found; ~ *bridge*, form of bridge in which players bid for right to play the hand. [f. L *actio* increase, auction (*augere auct.*, see -*ION*)]

auc'tioneer' (-*shon*), n., & v.i. (Onewhose business is to) conduct auctions. [-*NESS*]

audā'cious (-*shus*), a. Daring, bold; impudent. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n., **audā'city** (-*às-*) n. [f. L *audax* (*audere dare*, see -*ACIOUS*)]

aud'ible, a. Perceptible to the ear. Hence ~*LY*² adv., **audis'n'ry**, ~*leness* (-*ln-*), nn. [f. med. L *audibilis* (*audire hear*, see -*IBLE*)]

aud'ience, n. Hearing; *give ~*, listen; formal interview; persons within hearing; assembly of listeners; (of a book) readers. [F (refash. on L), f. OF *oïance* f. L *audientia* (*audire hear*, see -*ENCE*)]

aud'ile, a. & n. (Usu. of supernormal phenomena) received through the auditory nerves; (person) specially sensitive to auditory impressions. [Irreg. f. L *audire hear* + -*ILE*]

audiô-m'êter, *n.* Instrument for testing hearing-power. [f. *L. audire* hear + *-o-* + *-m'êtr*]

aud'iphône, *n.* Instrument that, pressed against upper teeth, assists hearing. [improp. f. *L. audire* hear + Gk *phônê* sound, on telephone]

aud'it', *n.* Official examination of accounts; searching examination, esp. Day of Judgement; periodical settlement of accounts between landlord & tenants; ~ *als* (of special quality, brewed in English universities, orig. for use on day of ~); ~ *house*, -*room* (attached to Cathedral for transaction of business). [f. *L. auditus* -de hearing (*audire* -it-)]

aud'it', *v.t.* Examine (accounts) officially. [f. prec.]

aud'ition, *n.* Power of hearing; listening; trial hearing of applicant for employment as singer etc. [f. *L. auditio* (*audire* -it-, see -*ion*)]

aud'itive, *a.* Concerned with hearing. [F (-*y*, -*ive*), as prec., see -*ive*]

aud'itor, *n.* Listener; one who audits accounts. Hence ~*ORSHIP*, ~*NESS*¹, *nn.* [f. *AF auditour* f. *L. auditor* (as prec., see -*or*)]

auditor'ial, *a.* Connected with an audit. [f. *L. auditorius* (as prec., see -*ory*) + *-AL*]
aud'itory, *a. & n.* 1. Connected with hearing; received by the ear. 2. *n.* Assembly of hearers, audience; (now usu. auditor'ium) part of building occupied by audience. [f. *L. auditorius*, -*um* (as prec., see -*ory*)]

au fait (ô fâ'), *pred. a.* Conversant, instructed; *put a person ~ of*, instruct him in. [F]

au fond (see *Ap.*), *adv.* At bottom (of a fond). [F]

Auge'an, *a.* Filthy, like the stables of Augeas, which Hercules cleansed by turning river Alpheus through them. [f. *L. Augeas* f. Gk *Augeias* + *-AN*]

aug'er (-g-), *n.* Tool for boring holes in wood, having long shank with cutting edge & screw point, & handle at right angles; instrument for boring in soil or strata, with stem that can be lengthened. [OE *naþgar* (*naþ* NAYB + *gar* piercer), cf. G *näßer*, Du. *oewgaar*; for loss of *n* cf. *adder*]

ought (awt), *n. & adv.* Anything; (*adv.*, *arch.*) in any degree or respect. [OE *dwiht* (d ever + *wiht* wright, whit); later OE *dht*, gives mod. *ought*, now less usu. form]

aug'ment', *n.* Vowel (in Sanskrit *a*, in Greek ô) prefixed to past tenses in the older Aryan languages. [F, f. *L. augmentum* increase (*augere*, see -*ment*)]

augment'ed, *v.t. & i.* Make greater, increase; *prefix the augment to*; (*intr.*) increase. [f. *F augmenter* f. *L. augmentare* increase (*augmentum*, see prec.)]

augmenta'tion, *n.* Enlargement; growth, increase; addition; (*Mus.*) repetition of

a passage in notes longer than those of the original. [OF, f. *LL augmentationem* (*augmentare*, see prec. and -*ation*)]

aug'men'tative, *a. & n.* Having the property of increasing; (*Gram.*, of affixes or derived words) increasing in force the idea of the original word; (*n.*) ~ word. [F (-*y*, -*ive*), f. *L. as AUGMENT'*, see -*ative*]
as grand sérieux (see *Ap.*), *adv.* Quite seriously (*take it, him, etc.*, ~). [F]

aug'ur¹ (-er), *n.* Roman religious official who foretold future events by omens derived from the actions of birds, appearance of victims' entrails, celestial phenomena, etc.; soothsayer. Hence ~*SHIP* *n.* [*L.*, perh. f. *avis* bird + *-gar*, conn. w. *garrire* talk, Skr. *gar* shout, make known]
aug'ur² (-er), *v.t. & i.* Forebode, anticipate; ~ *well*, *ill*, have good or bad expectations of, *for*; *it ~s* (promises) *ill*. [f. prec.]

aug'ural, *a.* Pertaining to augurs; significant of the future. [f. *L. auguralis* (*AUGUR*¹, see -*AL*)]

aug'ury, *n.* Divination by flight of birds etc.; augural ceremony; omen; presentiment; promise. [f. OF *augurie* f. *L. augurium* (*AUGUR*²)]

august'¹, *a.* Majestic, venerable. Hence ~*LY*¹ *adv.*, ~*NESS* *n.* [f. *L. augustus* consecrated, venerable, prob. f. *AUGUR*]

Aug'ust², *n.* Eighth month of year, named after Augustus Caesar. [earlier *Aust* f. OF *août* f. *L. augustus* (see prec.), refash. on *L*]

Augüs'tan, *a. & n.* Connected with reign of Augustus Caesar, best period of Latin literature; (of any national literature) classical; ~ *confession* (drawn up by Luther & Melancthon at Augusta Vindelicorum or Augsburg); (*n.*) writer of the ~ age of any literature. [f. *L. Augustanus*, see -*AN*]

auk, *n.* Northern sea-bird, with short wings used only as paddles. [cogn. with Swed. *alka*, Da. *alke*, f. ON *alka*]

aul'ic, *a.* Pertaining to a court; *A~ Council*, (in old German empire) personal council of emperor, (later) council managing Austrian war-department. [f. *Faulique* f. *L* f. Gk *aulikos* (aulê court, see -*io*)]

aum'bry, *var.* of *AMBER*.

au naturel (see *Ap.*), *adv.* or *pred. a.* (Cooked) in the simplest way. [F]

aunt (ahnt), *n.* Father's, mother's, sister; uncle's wife; *A~ Sally*, game at faire, in which players throw sticks at pipe in mouth of wooden woman's head. [f. OF *avute* (Prov. *amda*) f. *L. amita*; E up to 17th c. had also *auunt* (my auunt = mine aunt), still used in dial.; F *tante* perh. = *la tante*]

au pair (ô pâr'), *a.* (Of arrangements between two parties) paid for by mutual services (no money passing). [F]

au pied de la lettre (ô pîd' de lah lêtr'), *adv.* Literally. [F]

aur'a, n. Subtle emanation (from flowers etc.); atmosphere diffused by or attending a person etc. (esp. in mystical use as a definite envelope of body or spirit); (Electr.) current of air caused by discharge of electricity from a sharp point; (Path.) sensation as of current of cold air rising from some part of body to head, premonitory symptom in epilepsy & hysterics. Hence **aur'al**¹ [-AL] a. [L f. Gk. = breeze, breath]

aur'al², a. Pertaining to organ of hearing; received by the ear. Hence **~ly**² adv. [f. L *auris* ear + -AL]

aurél'ia, n. (Formerly) chrysalis, esp. of butterfly; (Zool.) genus of phosphorescent marine animals. [It. = silkworm, fem. of *aurelio* golden f. L *aurum* gold] **aurél'ian**, a. & n. Of an aurelia; golden; (n.) collector, breeder, of insects. [prec. + -AN]

auré'ole, n. Celestial crown won by martyr, virgin, doctor, by victory over world, flesh, or devil; = **fol.** [L (~ *corona*) golden (crown) fem. of *aureolus* f. *aureus* (*aurum* gold)]

aur'éole, n. Aureole; (prop.) gold disk surrounding head in early pictures; circle of light depleted round head; oblong glory surrounding divine figures; actual halo, esp. that seen in eclipses. [f. prec.]

au revoir (ô revvahr'), adv. (Good-bye) till we meet again. [F]

aur'ic, a. Pertaining to gold; (Chem.) in which gold is trivalent. [f. L *aurum* gold, see -IO]

aur'icle, n. External ear of animals; process shaped like lower lobe of ear; either of the two upper cavities of the heart. Hence **~al**¹ (-id) a. [f. foll.]

auric'ula, n. Species of primula, bear's-ear; genus of molluscs. [L, = external ear, dim. of *auris* ear]

auric'ular, a. Pertaining to the ear; told privately in the ear, as ~ *confession*; ~ *witness*, one who tells what he has heard; pertaining to auricle of heart; shaped like an auricle. Hence **~ly**² adv. [f. L *auricularis* (AURICULA, see -AL²)]

auric'ulate, a. With ear-shaped projections. [as prec., see -ATE²]

aurif'eros, a. Yielding gold. [f. L *aurifer* (*aurum* gold + *fer* producing) + -OUS]

aur'iform, a. Ear-shaped. [f. L *auris* ear + -FORM]

Auri'ga, n. Northern constellation, the Waggoner. [L, = charioteer]

Aurignā'cian (-shn), a. Of the palaeolithic epoch represented by remains found in the Aurignac cave of the Pyrenees. [-AN]

aur'il'ave, n. Instrument for cleaning ears. [f. L *auris* ear + *lavare* wash]

aur'ist, n. Ear specialist. [as prec. + -IST]

ausreche (owr'êk, aw-), n. Extinct wild

ox; (improp.) European bison. [G; OTest. *urus*, etym. dub., + *ochs* ox]

aurô'r'a, n. Luminous atmospheric (prob. electrical) phenomenon radiating from earth's northern (~ *doré*'is) or southern (*austral*'is) magnetic pole; dawn; colour of sky at sunrise; *A-*, Roman goddess of dawn. Hence **aurô'AL** a. [L, = dawn, goddess of dawn]

aur'ous, a. (chem.). In which gold is monovalent. [f. L *aurum* + -OUS]

aur'um, n. Gold; ~ *fûl'minans*, fulminate of gold; ~ *mosa'icum*, bisulphide of tin, bronze-powder; ~ *potab'ile*, drinkable gold (once in repute as a cordial). [L]

auscultā'tion, n. Act of listening, esp. (Med.) to movement of heart, lungs, etc. So **auscultātor**² n., **auscultatory** a. [f. L *auscultare* listen to (etym. dub.), see -ATION]

Ausgleich (see Ap.), n. (hist.). Political agreement between Austria & Hungary, renewable every tenth year. [G]

aus'picāte, v.t. & i. Inaugurate, initiate; (intr.) augur. [f. L *auspicari* (*auspex* -*icis* observer of birds for *avis* f. *avis* bird + *spec-* observe), see -ATE²]

aus'pice, n. Observation of birds for purposes of taking omens; prognostic; prosperous lead, patronage, as under the ~s of. [f. L *auspicium* (*auspex*, see prec.)]

auspi'cious (-shus), a. Of good omen, favourable; prosperous. Hence **~ly**² adv., ~NESS n. [as prec. + -OUS]

Auss'ie, n. (sl.). Australia(n). [abbr.]

austē're, a. Harsh, stern; stringently moral, strict, severely simple; harsh in flavour. Hence **~ly**² (-ri-) adv., ~NESS (-rn-) n., **austē'rity** n. (also attrib., severely simple). [OF, f. L f. Gk *austēros* drying, harsh (*aûd* v. dry)]

aus'tral, a. Southern. [f. L *australis* (*Auster* south wind, see -AL)]

Australā'sian (-shn), a. & n. (Native) of Australasia (Australia & adjoining islands). [f. *Australasia* f. F *Australis* (L *australis*, see prec. + *Asia*) + -AN]

Austral'ian, n. & a. Native of, colonist or resident in, Australia; (adj.) of Australia. [f. F *Australien* f. L as AUSTRAL]

aut'archy¹ (-ki), n. Absolute sovereignty. [f. Gk *autarkhia* (AUTO-, *arkhō* rule)]

aut'arky, **aut'archy**² (-ki), n. Self-sufficiency. [f. Gk *autarkheia* (AUTO-, *arkhō* suffice)]

authē'tic, a. Reliable, trustworthy; of undisputed origin, genuine; (Mus., of ecclesiastical modes) having their sounds comprised within an octave from the final. Hence **~ically** adv., **~ic'ity** n. [f. OF *authentique* f. L f. Gk *authentikos* f. *authēntēs* one who does a thing himself (AUTO- + *hēntē*, cf. *sunēntēs* fellow-worker), see -IO]

authē'ticāte, v.t. Establish the truth of; establish the authorship of; make valid. Hence **~ation**, **~itor**², n. [f.

med. L. *authenticare* (*authenticus*), see *prec.* and *-ARI*]

auth'or, n. Originator (of a condition of things, event, etc.); writer of book, treatise, etc.; (loosely) ~s writings. Hence ~ESS¹ n., *authō'*IAL a. [f. AF *autour* f. OF *autor* f. L. *auctor* (*augere* *aut-* increase, originate, promote, see *-OR*); *auth-* at first a scribal var. of *aut-*]

authoritā'rian, a. & n. (Esp. Pol.) favouring obedience to authority as opp. to individual liberty; (n.) supporter of this principle. [*-ARIAN*]

authō'ritative, a. Commanding, imperative; possessing authority; proceeding from competent authority. Hence ~LY¹ (-vI-) adv., ~NESS (-vN-) n. [f. foll. + *-ATIVE*]

authō'rity, n. Power, right, to enforce obedience; delegated power (to do, for an act, or abs.); person having authority; personal influence, esp. over opinion; weight of testimony; book, quotation, considered to settle a question; evidence, declaration, that may be cited in support of a statement (*on the ~ of Plato*); person whose opinion is accepted, esp. expert in (on) a subject. [f. F *autorité* f. L. *authoritatem* (*auctor*, see *AUTHOR* and *-RY*)]

authoriz'e, v.t. Sanction; give ground for, justify, (thing); give authority to, commission, (person to do). *Authorized Version* (abbr. A.V.), the Bible of 1611. Hence ~ABLE a., ~'ATION n. [f. F *autoriser* f. med. L. *auctorizare* (*auctor*, see *AUTHOR* and *-IZE*)]

auth'orship, n. Occupation, career, as a writer; origin (of book). [*-SHIP*]

auto- in comp. = Gk *auto-* (*autos* self, in sense 'self, one's own, by oneself, independent(ly)', in wds f. Gk & new formations, as *-car'ous*, consisting of pericarp alone, *-gamy*, self-fertilization, *-genous*, self-producing, *-geny*, *-gony*, spontaneous generation, *-phagous*, *-phagy*, feeding on oneself (by absorption of tissues, during starvation), *-plasty*, repair of wounds with tissue from same body; *-suggestion*, hypnotic suggestion proceeding from the subject himself.

aut'obahn, n. (pl. ~en). German arterial road. [G (*auto* motor-car, *bahn* road)]

autobiōg'rapher, n. One who writes his own history. [*AUTO-*]

autobiōgraph'ic, a. Pertaining to, engaged in, autobiography. Hence ~AL a., ~al'ly² adv. [*AUTO-*]

autobiōg'raphy, n. Writing the story of one's own life; story so written. [*AUTO-*]

aut'ocāt, n. Road vehicle driven by mechanical power. [*AUTO-*]

autocēph'alous, a. Having its own head; (of bishop, church) independent. [f. Gk *autokēphalos* (*AUTO-* + *kēphalōs* head) + *-OUS*]

autōch'thon (-k-), n. (usu. pl.; *-ones*, *-ons*). Original, earliest known, inhabitants; aborigines. Hence ~AL, *autōch'thō'ic*, ~OUS, aa., ~ISM, ~Y¹, nn. [Gk, = sprung from that land itself (*AUTO-* + *kēhōn* -ones land)]

autōc'rac'y, n. Absolute government; controlling influence. [f. Gk *autokratēia* (as *AUTOCRAT*)]

aut'ocrāt, n. Absolute ruler; A~ of all the Russias (title of the Czar). So *autocrāt'ic*(AL) aa., *autocrāt'ically*² adv. [f. F *autocrate* f. Gk *autokratēs* (*AUTO-* + *kratos* might)]

autōc'ratrix, n. Female autocrat, title of empresses of Russia ruling in their own right. [Latinized fem. of Gk *autokratōr* (*AUTO-* + *kratos* might)]

aut'o-da-fē' (-dahfā), n. (pl. *autos-da-fē*). Sentence of the Inquisition; execution of this, esp. burning of heretic. [Port., = act of the faith; also Sp. *-de-fé*]

aut'o-ē'rotism, n. Spontaneous sexual emotion generated without external stimulus. [*AUTO-* + *erotism* (=sexual excitement), see *NEOTIC*]

autōg'f'ō, n. Kind of GYROPLANE. [patented name; *AUTO-*, *GYRO-*]

aut'ograph¹ (-ahf), n. Author's own manuscript; person's own handwriting, esp. signature; copy produced by autography. Hence *autōgraph'ic*(AL) aa., *autōgraph'ically*² adv. [f. L f. Gk *autographōn* neut. of *autographos* (*AUTO-* + *-graphos* written)]

aut'ograph² (-ahf), v.t. Write with one's own hand; copy by autography; sign. [f. *prec.*]

autōg'raphy, n. Writing with one's own hand; author's own handwriting; lithographic reproduction of writing or drawing. [as *prec.*, see *-Y*]

aut'ohārp, n. Kind of zither with mechanical contrivance making playing of chords possible. [*AUTO-*]

autōl'ysis, n. Destruction of cells of the body by the action of its own serum. [f. *AUTO-* + Gk *lūsis* dissolution]

automāt'ic, a. & n. 1. Self-acting; working of itself, (of a firearm) having mechanism for loading, firing, & ejecting until the ammunition is exhausted, or until the pressure on the trigger etc. is released; (n.) ~ firearm. 2. Mechanical, unconscious; unintelligent, merely mechanical. 3. (Psych.) performed unconsciously or subconsciously. Hence ~AL a., ~al'ly² adv., *autōmat'ic'ity* n. [f. *AUTOMATON* + *-IC*]

autōm'atism, n. Involuntary action; doctrine attributing this to animals; unthinking routine; faculty of originating action or motion; (Psych.) action performed unconsciously or subconsciously. [f. foll. + *-ISM*]

autom'ation, n. (pl. ~s, ~ons). Thing endowed with spontaneous motion; living being viewed materially; piece of mechanism with concealed motive power; living being whose actions are involuntary or without active intelligence. Hence ~ous a. [f. Gk *Automaton*, neut. adj., acting of itself]

***automobile** (-ēl), n. Motor-car. [F] **autóm'omous**, a. Of, possessed of, autonomy. [f. Gk *AUTO*(*nomos* law) + *OUS*]

autón'om|y, n. Right of self-government; personal freedom; freedom of the will (in Kantian doctrine); a self-governing community. So **autónóm'io** a., ~*IST* n. [f. Gk *autonomia*, as prec.]

autóp'sy (or *awt*), n. Personal inspection; post-mortem examination; (fig.) critical dissection. So **autóp'tio**(*AL*) aa. [f. Gk *autopstia* f. *autopstos* (AUTO-) + *op-see*]

autotóx'in. Poisonous substance produced by changes within the organism. So ~*IO* a., ~*ICA'TION* n., poisoning by a virus generated within the body. [AUTO-, TOXIN, TOXIC]

aut'otype, n. Facsimile; permanent photographic printing process for reproducing in monochrome. Hence **aut'otype** v.t. [AUTO-]

aut'umn (-m), n. Third season of the year, August, September, October (Astron., Sept. 21 to Dec. 21); (pop., esp. U.S.) September, October, November; (fig.) season of incipient decay. [f. OF *autompne* f. L *autumnus*, etym. dub.]

autúm'nal, a. Of autumn; ~ *equinox*, time when sun crosses equator as it proceeds southward (Sept. 23); maturing, blooming, in autumn; past prime of life. [f. L *autumnalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

auxanóm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring growth in plants. [f. Gk *auxanō* increase + -ō + *METER*]

auxil'iar|y (-ly-a-), a. & n. (One who is) helpful to; (Mil.) ~y troops, ~les, foreign or allied troops in a nation's service; (Gram.) ~y (verb), one used to form tenses, moods, voices, of other verbs. [f. L *auxiliarius* (*auxilium* help, see -ARY¹)]

avadavat. See *AMADAVAT*.

avail¹, v.t. & i. Afford help; be of value or profit; (trans.) help, benefit; ~ oneself of, profit by, take advantage of. [prob. f. *val* f. F *valoir* be worth f. L *valēre*]

avail², n. Use, profit, only in phrr. of ~, of no ~, without ~, to little ~. [f. prec.]

avail'able, a. Capable of being used, at one's disposal, within one's reach. Hence ~*ILITY*, ~*bleness* (-in-), nn., ~*bley²* adv. [AVAIL v. + -ABLE]

áv'alanche (-ahnsh), n. Mass of snow, earth, & ice, descending swiftly from mountain (also fig.). [F, dialect form of *avalanche* f. *avalor* descend (d *val* to the valley), see -ANON]

áven's (-mēn), n. (Extortionate) tax

levied by Turks. [etym. dub.; common in Levant]

avant-courier (avöng'-kōör'yer), n. One who runs, rides, before; esp. (pl.) scouts, advance-guard. [f. F *avant-coursier* (*avant* before + *coursier* runner f. *courir*)]

áv'arice, n. Greed of gain, cupidity; (fig.) eager desire to get or keep. Hence **áv'ari'cious** (-shus) a., **áv'ari'ciously¹** adv. [OF, f. L *avaritia* (*avarus* greedy, see -IOZ)]

avast' (-ahst), int. (naut.). Stop; cease. [prob. f. Du. *houd vast* hold fast]

áv'atār, n. (Hind. Myth.) descent of deity to earth in incarnate form; incarnation; manifestation, display; phase. [f. Skr. *avatara* descent (*ava* down + *tar-* pass over)]

avaunt', int. (arch., joc.). Begone. [f. F *avant* forward f. LL *ab-ante* before (L *ab* from + *ante* before)]

áv'e, int. & n. Welcome; farewell; shout of welcome or farewell; *Ave Maria* (Hall. Mary), devotional recitation (*Luke* i. 28, 42) & prayer to the Virgin; ~*bell*, rung when this is to be said. [L, 2nd sing. imper. of *avere* fare well]

ivěnge' (-j), v.t. Inflict retribution, exact satisfaction, on behalf of (person, violated right, etc.); be ~d, ~ oneself; take vengeance for (injury). [f. OF *avengier* (d to + *vengier* f. L *vindicare*)]

áv'ens (-nz), n. *Wood* ~, herb bennet; *water* ~, plant of same genus; [f. OF *avence* etym. dub.]

avěn'türine, -in, n. Brownish glass with copper crystals, manufactured first at Murano near Venice; variety of quartz resembling this. [F, f. It. *avventurino* (*avventura* chance, from its accidental discovery)]

áv'énüe, n. Way of approach (usu. fig.); approach to country house bordered by trees; roadway marked by trees or other objects at regular intervals; (esp. in U.S.) wide street. [F, fem. p.p. (used as n.) of *avénir* f. L *advenire* come to]

avér', v.t. (-rr-). Assert, affirm; (Law) prove (a plea). Hence ~*RABLE* a. [f. F *avérer* f. LL + *adverare* verify (*verus* true)]

áv'erage¹, n. Generally prevailing rate, degree, or amount; ordinary standard; medial estimate, as on the or an ~; apportionment of loss of ship, cargo, or freight, through unavoidable accident (*particular* ~) or through intentional damage to ship or sacrifice of cargo (*general* ~), among the owners or insurers. [etym. dub.; F *avarie*, Sp. *averia*, Du. *avarij*, *havertij*, G *haverte*; perh. conn. w. OF *aveir* goods, see *AVOIDUPON*]

áv'erage², a. Estimated by average; of the usual standard. Hence ~*LY²* (-j-) adv. [f. prec.]

áv'erage³, v.t. Estimate the average of (by dividing the aggregate of several quantities by the number of quantities);

estimate the general standard of; amount on an average to; ~ (work on an average) *ele hours a day*. [as prec.]

avér'ment, n. Positive statement, affirmation; (Law) offer to prove, proof of, a plea. [f. F *avérement* (as *AVERT*)]

averruncat'or (-tink-), n. Instrument for cutting off branches of trees high above head. [f. obs. vb *averruncare*, f. L *averruncare* (a off + *verrucare* turn), but wrongly explained as f. *eruncare* weed out]

avér'se, a. Opposed, disinclined, (to, from); unwilling (to do). Hence ~**NESS** (-n-) n. [f. L as *AVERT*]

avér'sion (-shn), n. Dislike, antipathy, (to, from, for); unwillingness (to do); object of dislike, as pet ~. [f. L *aversio* (as *AVERT*, see -ION)]

avért, v.t. Turn away (eyes, thoughts, from); ward off. Hence ~**IBLE**, ~**ABLE**, aa. [f. F *avertir* f. LL *avertire*, L -ere (a away + *vertare* vers- turn, cf. *ADVERT*)]

Av'ian, a. Pertaining to birds. [f. L *avis* bird + **AN**]

Av'iary, n. Place for keeping birds. [f. L *aviarium* (as prec., see -**ARIUM**)]

Av'iâte, v.i. Manage or travel in aircraft. So ~**'TION**, ~**ATOR**, nn. [f. L *avis* bird, -**ATE**']

Av'id, a. Eager, greedy (of, for). Hence ~**LY** adv. [f. L *avidus* (avere crave)]

avid'ity, n. Ardent desire, greed. [f. F *avidité* f. L *aviditatem* (as prec., see -**ITY**)]

Av'ifauna, n. Birds (of district, country) collectively. [f. L *avis* bird + **FAUNA**]

Avion (see Ap.), n. Aeroplane. [F]

Avi'so (-ézô), n. Advice-boat. [Sp., f. L *advisum*, see *ADVICE*]

Avi'sion'dum, n. (So. Law). Private consideration. [med. L, gerund of *aviscare* consider]

Avoca'dô (-ah-), n. (Also ~ *pear*) pear-shaped tropical fruit, the ALLIGATOR pear. [Sp., =advocate (pop. rendering of Mex. *ahuacatl*)]

Avoc'a'tion, n. Distraction; minor occupation; vocation, calling. [f. L *avocatio* (avocare call away, see -**ATION**)]

Avocét, -sét, n. Wading bird allied to snipe. [f. F *avocette* f. It. *avocetta*]

Void', v.t. Shun, refrain from (thing, doing); escape, evade; (Law) defeat (pleading), quash (sentence). Hence ~**ABLE** a. [f. AF *avoider* f. OF *evouider* clear out, get quit of (as out + *ouider* f. *vult*, *uide*, *void*)]

void'ance, n. Act of avoiding; vacancy (of office, benefice). [prec. + **ANCE**]

voirdupois (âverdupôis'), a. & n. ~ *weight*, system of weights used in Great Britain for all goods except precious metals & stones, & medicines; ~ *pound* contains 7,000 grains; ~ *weight*, heaviness, recent corrupt. of *avoir-de-pois* f. AF, OF, *avoir de pois* (avoir, avoir, goods, property, f. L *habere* have + *de* of + *pois*, *pois*, weight f. L *penetum*)

avouch', v.t. & i. Guarantee; affirm; confess. Hence ~**MENT** n. [f. OF *avoucher* f. L *advocare* (in legal use) call upon as defender]

avow', v.t. Admit, confess; (red. & pass.) admit oneself to be, as ~ed himself the author, the ~ed author. Hence **avow'ABLE** a., **avow'AL** n., **avow'édit'** adv. [f. F *avouer* (à to + *vouer* f. LL *votare* frequent. of *vovere* vow)]

avul'sion (-shn), n. Tearing away; (Law) sudden removal of land by flood etc. to another person's estate. [f. L *avulsio* (avellere -vuls- pluck away)]

avunc'ular, a. Off, resembling, an uncle. [f. L *avunculus* maternal uncle (dim. of *avus* grandfather) + **AR**']

await' (a-), v.t. Wait for; (of things) be in store for. [f. ONF *awaiter* (à to + *waitier*, OF *guaitier*, see *WAIT* v.)]

awake' (a-), v.t. & i. (past *awoke*, p.p. *awoke*, ~d). Cease to sleep; (fig.) become active; ~ to, become conscious of; rouse from sleep (lit. & fig.). [(1) OE *awæcan*, *awoc*, *awacen*, (a- prob. =on); of which present tense was early treated as weak vb, with past *awæcneð*, whence *AWAKEN*, *awakened*; (2) OE *awecian*, *aweoceð*, in form a compd of *waecan* watch, but in sense = *awæcan*; (3) in OE these were intr., the trans. sense being given by *aweoceð(ean)*, ME *aweoche*, G *erwecken*, ousted by *awake*, trans., before 1800]

awake' (a-), pred. a. Roused from sleep; not asleep; vigilant; ~ to, aware of. [short for *awaken*, orig. p.p. of prec.]

awāk'en (a-), v.t. & i. = **AWAKE** (lit. & fig.) esp. (fig.) arouse (to a sense of). [see **AWAKE**']

award' (awôrd'), v.t. Adjudge; grant, assign. [f. AF *awarder* f. OF *caguarder* f. Rom. ⁴*wardare*, *guardare*, f. OLG ⁴*warden*, OHG *warden*, watch; cf. *WARD*]

award' (awôrd'), n. Judicial decision; payment, penalty, assigned by this. [AF, f. OF *eswart*, *caguard*, f. *caguarder*, see prec.]

awāre' (a-), pred. a. Conscious, knowing, (of, that). Hence ~**NESS** (awârn-) n., condition of being ~ (of something or that something is). [OE *gawear* (OHG *gawar*, MHG *gewar*, G *gewahr*) f. ge- quite + *war* wary]

awash' (-wô-), pred. a. Flush with or washed by the waves. [A- (3)]

away' (a-), adv. To, at, a distance from the place, person, thing, in question (lit. & fig.), as go ~, throw ~, give ~, he is ~, waste ~, fool ~, explain ~; out ~, beyond comparison; constantly, continuously, as work ~, pay ~; without delay, as fire ~; = go away (imper.); ~ *with* (imper.), go ~ *with*, take ~; (cannot) ~ *with*, get on *with*, tolerate; make ~ *with*, destroy; quasi-adv. in ~ *game*, *match*, *win*. [OE *onweg* (phr. on weg on one's way, onward, along), in early M used as separable vbi prefix]

awe¹, n. Reverential fear or wonder, as *stand in ~ of, hold, keep, in ~; ~struck, struck with ~. Hence ~LESS* (awl-), ~BORE (aws-), aa. [f. ON *agt*; OE has *ege*; both f. *agon* v. fear]

awe², v.t. Inspire with awe. [f. prec.]

awe³, n. One of the float-boards of an undershot water-wheel. [?]

awful, a. Inspiring awe; worthy of profound respect; solemnly impressive; (arch.) reverential; (sl.) notable in its kind, as ~ *scandal, bore, relief, something ~. Hence ~LY* adv., (also, sl.) extremely, ~NESS n. [AWA¹ + -FUL]

awhile (awil'), adv. For a short time. [OE *and hwile* a while]

awkward, a. Ill-adapted for use; clumsy (person, thing); bungling; embarrassing; difficult, dangerous, to deal with. Hence ~ISH¹ (2) a., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. obs. adj. *awk* backhanded, untoward (prob. f. ON *afug* turned the wrong way) + -WARD]

awl, n. Small tool for pricking, pricker, esp. that used by shoemakers. [OE *æl*, cf. OHG *ala*, G *ahle*]

awn, n. Spinous process, beard, terminating grain-sheath of barley, oats, etc. Hence ~ed¹ (-nd) [-ED¹], ~LESS, aa. [prob. f. ON *agn* pl. *agnar*; cf. OHG *agana*, G *ahne*]

awn'ing, n. Canvas roof, esp. above deck of vessel; (Naut.) poop-deck beyond bulkhead of cabin; shelter. Hence *awned*¹ (-nd) [-ED¹] a. [perh. f. *F* *auvent*, etym. dub.]

awry (ari'), adv. & a. Crookedly, askew; *look ~, look askance* (lit. & fig.); *amiss, improperly; go, run, tread, ~, do wrong*; (adj., usu. pred.) *crooked* (lit. & fig.). [A prep. + WRY]

axe, **ax**, n., & v.t. Chopping-tool, usually iron with steel edge & wooden handle; *put the ~ in the helve, solve a puzzle*; (orig. U.S. pol.) *an ~ to grind*, private ends to serve; *the Goddes ~*, (vast reductions of public expenditure advised by) the Goddes Committee appointed 1921; (vb) *cut down* (costs, services). [com.-Teut.; OE *ax*, OHG *accus*, G *ax, axz*; akin to Gk *axinē* & perh. L *ascia*]

ax'ial, a. Forming, belonging to, an axis; round an axis. Hence **ax'ial'ITY** n., ~LY² adv. [f. AXIS + -AL]

ax'il, n. Upper angle between leaf & stem it springs from, or between branch & trunk. [f. L *axilla* armpit]

ax'ile, a. (bot., physiol.). Belonging to the axis. [f. AXIS, see -IL]

ax'ilary, a. Pertaining to the armpit; (Bot.) in, growing from, the axil. [f. *F* *axillaire* f. L *axillaris* (as AXIS)]

ax'iom, n. Established principle; maxim; self-evident truth. [f. *F* *axiome* f. L f. Gk *axiōma* (*axios* hold worthy f. *axios*, see -X)]

ax'iomat'ical, aa. Self-evident; charac-

terized by axioms; full of maxims, apophistic. Hence **ax'iomat'ical'ly** adv. [f. Gk *axiōmatikos* (*axiōma* -maxims), see prec. & -IC, -AL]

ax'is, n. (pl. *axes*). 1. Imaginary line about which a body rotates, or by revolution about which a plane is conceived as generating a solid (sphere, cone, cylinder); line dividing regular figure symmetrically. 2. Straight line from end to end of a body, as ~ of *equator* (polar diameter of earth). 3. (Bot.) central column of inflorescence or other whorl of growth. 4. (Opt.) ray passing through centre of eye or lens, or falling perpendicularly on it. 5. (Physiol.) central core of organ or organism. 6. (Pol.) agreement between two or more countries intended to form a centre round which like-minded nations may rally; *the Axis* (hist., orig. *the Rome-Berlin Axis*), (pact between) Germany & Italy, later extended to include Japan (*Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis*); attrib., as *Axis intrigues, powers, propaganda*. [L, =axis, pivot]

ax'le, n. Spindle upon or with which wheel revolves; (in carriages, prop.) slender end of ~tree (whole bar connecting wheels, loosely) ~tree; *wheel & ~*, a MECHANICAL power; ~box (in which ends of ~s revolve); ~journal, polished end of ~ revolving under bearing in ~box. Hence **ax'le'ry** (-ld) a. [first found in *axle-tree*, ON *axul-tree* (ON *axull* = Goth. *ahsulis* f. OTeut. *ahad*, cogn. w. Skr. *aksha*, Gk *axōn*, L *axis*)]

ax'minster (ā-), a. ~carpet, kind formerly hand-woven at ~, now made at Wilton.

ax'olōtl, n. Newt-like amphibian found in Mexican lakes. [Aztec, = servant (*zolōtl*) of water (*atl*)]

ay (I), int. & n. (pl. *ayes*). Yes; (n.) affirmative answer; *the ayes have it*, affirmative voters are in majority. [?]

ayah (i'ā), n. Native Indian nurse or lady's maid. [Ind. vernacular *aya* f. Port. *ala* nurse, fem. of *alo* tutor]

aye (ā), adv. Ever, always; on all occasions; *for ~, for ever*. (ME *aye*, *ai*, *ei*, f. ON *ei*, *ey*, cogn. w. Goth. *aiu* f. OTeut. *aiwos*, cogn. w. L *aerum* age; cf. Gk *aet* always)

aye-aye (i'i), n. Squirrel-like animal of the size of a cat, found only in Madagascar. [f. *F*, Malagasy *aiay*]

Azāl'ea, n. Genus of flowering shrubby plants, natives of northern hemisphere. [f. Gk *azalea* fem. of *azaleos* dry (from its dry wood or the dry soil in which it flourishes)]

az'arōle, n. Fruit of the Neapolitan medlar. [f. *F* *azarole* (Sp. *azarolla*) f. Arab. *as-zarār* (at the + name of the fruit)]

Az'il'an, a. Of the transitional period between the palaeolithic & neolithic

ages. [f. *Mas d'Asi* in French Pyrenees, where remains were found]

ā'imuth, n. Arc of the heavens extending from the zenith to the horizon, which it cuts at right angles; ~circle, one of which this is a quadrant, passing through zenith & nadir; true ~ of a heavenly body, arc of horizon intercepted between north (in Southern hemisphere, south) point of horizon & the point where the great circle passing through the body cuts the horizon; magnetic ~, arc intercepted between this circle & magnetic meridian. Hence **āzīmūth** AL a., **āzīmūth'alr** adv. [f. F *azimut* f. Arab. *assumut* (al the + *sumut* pl. of *samt* way, direction)]

azō'ic, a. Having no trace of life; (Geol.) containing no organic remains. [f. Gk *azōos* (a- not + *zōō* life) + *ic*]

āz'ōte, n. Former name of nitrogen. Hence **azōt'ic** a., **āz'ōtuz** (3) v.t. [F, f. Gk a- not + *zōō* (for *zōō*) live, from its inability to support life]

Az'tēc (ā-), a. & n. (One) of the Aztecs, the Mexican tribe dominant till the conquest of Cortes (1510).

āzure (-zher, -zhyer), n. & a., & v.t. 1. Sky blue; (Hor.) blue; unclouded vault of heaven; bright blue pigment; lapis lazuli. 2. adj. Sky-blue, (fig.) cloudless, serene. 3. v.t. Make ~. [f. OF *azur* f. med. L *azura* f. Arab. al the + *lawward* f. Pers. *lashward* lapis lazuli]

ā'yōous, a. & n. (physiol.). (An organic part) not existing in pairs. [f. Gk *azugos* unyoked (a- not + *ugon* yoke) + *ous*]

B

B (bē), letter (pl. *Bs*, *B's*, *Bees*). (Mus.) seventh note in scale of C major (*B flat*, jocular euphem. for bug). (In argument) second hypothetical person or thing. (Alg.) second known quantity.

baa (bah), n., & v.i. (*baaing*, *baaed* or *baa'd*). = BLEAT. ~lamb, nursery name for lamb. [imit.]

Bā'al, n. (pl. ~im). Phoenician god; (transf.) a false god. Hence ~ism (3), ~ist (2), ~ite (1), nn. [Heb. *ba'al* lord]

baas (bahs), n. (S. Africa). Master (freq. as form of address). [Du., see BOSS¹]

ba'bacōte (bah-), n. Species of lemur (Madagascar). [Malagasy *babakoto*]

Babb'itt-mēt'al, n. Sort alloy of tin, antimony, & copper. [inventor's name]

bāb'ble, v.i. & t. Talk half articulately, incoherently, or excessively; murmur (of streams etc.); repeat foolishly; let out (secrets). Hence ~ment (-in-) n. [limit. of infant's *ba*, *ba*, + *bl* (3); cf. F *babiller*, LG *babbelen*, G *pappelen*]

bāb'ble, n. Imperfect speech; idle talk; murmur of water etc. [prec.]

bāb'blier, n. Chatterer; teller of secrets; Long-legged Thrush. [-ā¹]

bābe, n. (poet.). Young child, baby; inexperienced or gulleless person (in pl. often ~s & *sucklings*). [imit. of child's speech, cf. BABBLE]

bāb'el, n. (B~) the tower in Shinar (*Gen. xi*); a high structure; visionary plan; scene of confusion, noisy assembly, meaningless noise. [perh. f. Ass. *bab-ilu* gate of God]

bābirous'sa, -rus'sa, (-rōō-), n. E.-Asiatic wild hog with upturned horn-like tusks. [Malay *babi* hog + *rusa* deer]

Bab'ism (bah-), n. Doctrine of a Persian mystical & pantheistic sect (*Babi*) founded in 1844. [f. Pers. *Bab-ed-Din*, gate (-intermediary) of the Faith, whence the founder's usual title of (*the*) *Bab*]

ba'bōō (bah-), n. (As Hindoo title) Mr; Hindoo gentleman; Indian English-writing clerk; (contemptuous) half anglicized Hindoo. [Hind. *babu*]

babōōn, n. Large African & S.-Asiatic monkey. [f. 18th-c. F *babuin* etym. dub.]

babouche (-ōōsh), n. Oriental slipper. [F, f. Arab. *babush* f. Pers. *paposh* (pa foot + *posh* covering); for *p* = *b* cf. *pasha* & *dashaw*]

babul' (-ōōl), n. Gum-arabic tree of India and Arabia. [Hind. & Pers.]

bāb'y, n. Very young child; childish person, whence ~ism¹ a., ~ishness, ~ism (2), nn.; thing small of its kind; ~girl, sweetheart, (sl.); ~car, motor-car of small size and power; ~farmer, one who contracts to keep babies; ~grand, small grand piano; [~]jumper, hanging frame in which child is fastened to exercise limbs; hold the ~, carry the ~, (be left to) assume an undesired responsibility. Hence ~hood n. [BAKE, -Y¹]

Bāb'yion, n. Capital of Chaldean empire; any great empire or vicious city; Rome, the papacy (ref. to *Rev. xvii* etc.), London, etc. Hence **Bāb'yilōn'ian** a. & n. [L, f. Gk *Babylon* f. Heb. *Babel* BABEL]

bāccalaur'iate, n. University degree of bachelor. [f. med. L *baccalaurus* (*baccalaurus* corrupted after *bacca lauri* laurelberry) f. *baccalarius* BACHELOR; see -ATE¹]

bācc'ara(t) (-rah), n. Gambling card game. [F]

bācc'āte, a. (bot.). Bearing berries, berry-shaped. [f. L *baccatus* berried (*bacca* berry, -ATE²)]

Bācc'hanal (-ka-), a. & n. 1. Of, like, Bacchus or his rites; riotous, roystering. 2. n. Priest, priestess, votary, of Bacchus; drunken reveller; dance or song in honour of Bacchus. [f. L *bacchanalis* (L f. Gk *Bakkhos* god of wine, -AL)]

Bācc'hanāl'ia (-ka-), n. pl. Festival of Bacchus; drunken revelry. [L neut. pl. of *bacchanalis* = prec.]

Bācc'hanāl'ian (-ka-), a. & n. Of Bacchanals; riotous, drunken; (n.) a Bacchanal.

tippler. [*L. bacchanalis* BACCHANAL + -AN]

Bac'hant (-ka-), *n.* maso. or fem., & a.; **Bac'hante** (bák'ant, bakánt', bakán'til), *n.* fem. Priest, priestess, votary of Bacchus; Bacchus-worshipping, wine-loving. Hence **Bac'hán'tro** (-ka-) a. [(*-nte* F) f. *L. bacchari* (-ANT) f. Gk *bakkheú* celebrate Bacchic rites]

Bac'hic (-kik), *a.* = BACCHANAL (adj. meanings). [*L. f. Gk bakkhikos* of Bacchus]

Bac'hus (-kus), *n.* Greek god of wine. [*L. f. Gk Bakkhos*]

baccif'erous, **bacc'iform**, **bacciv'orous**, (báks-), *aa.* Berry-bearing, -shaped, -eating. [*L. baccifer* (-FEROUS); *L. bacca* berry + -FORM, -VOROUS]

bacc'ý (-k-), *n.* (colloq.) Tobacco. [abbr.]

bách'elor, *n.* Young knight serving under another's banner (hist.); hence now, *knight* ~, simple knight not belonging to a special order; man or woman who has taken the university degree below Master; unmarried man. ~'s *buttons*, various button-shaped flowers esp. double buttercup, also small ratafia biscuits, also buttons attachable without sewing; ~ *girl* (unmarried and living independently); ~ (*seal*), young male fursal with no mate. Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, ~ISM(s), *nn.* [*f. OF bachelier* f. *L. + bacca-laris*; cf. *baccalaria* piece of land, *baccalarius* farm-labourer, perh. f. *bacca* *LL* for *L. vacca* cow]

bacill'ary, *a.* Of little rods (tissue, membrane); connected with bacilli (disease, research). [BACILLUS + -ARY¹]

bacill'iform, *a.* Rod-shaped. [foll. + -FORM]

bacill'us, *n.* (pl. -li). A rodlike bacterium, esp. one of the various types that cause disease by entering and multiplying in animal and other tissues. [*LL* dim. of *L. baculus* stick]

bäck', *n.* & *a.* 1. Hinder surface of human body (*at the ~ of*, behind in support, pursuit, or concealment; BEHIND one's ~; *give, make, a ~*, bend down at leapfrog; *turn one's ~ upon*, run away from, abandon; *on one's ~*, laid up; *with one's ~ to wall*, hard pressed); body as needing clothes (~ & *belly*, clothing & food) or as weight-carrier (~ *equal to burden*; *have on one's ~*, be burdened with; *put, get, set, person's ~ up*, make him angry; *break one's ~*, overburden him, & see BREAK¹ ~ of); surface of things corresponding to human ~ (less visible, active, or important; ~ of *hand, leg, door, book, knife*), side away from spectator; upper surface of animal's body, surface corresponding to this (ridge-shaped, etc.; ~ of *hill, ship* esp. in *broke her ~*; *on the ~ of*, in addition to); football player stationed behind (*full, three-quarter, half, ~*); the *back* grounds on the Cam at the ~ of

certain Colleges at Cambridge, of noted beauty; ~band, over cart-saddle to keep shafts up; ~board, at ~ of cart, also strapped across child's ~ to straighten it; ~bone, spine (whence ~bóned¹ (-nd) a.; to the ~bone, thoroughly), main support, axis, watershed, chief strength, firmness of character; ~fall, throw on ~ in wrestling; ~sword, with only one edge, also singletick. 2. adj. (no comp., superl. ~most). Situated behind, remote, inferior, (*take ~ seat*, humble oneself); overdue (~ *rent*); reversed, counter, (~ *current*); ||~bench(er), (occupant of) a seat in the House of Commons or similar assembly used by a member not entitled to a front-bench seat (~bench freq. used attrib.); ||~blocks, (Austral.) land in the remote & sparsely-inhabited interior; ~chat (sl.), retort(s), recrimination; ~cloth (Theatr.) painted cloth at ~ of stage as main part of scenery; ~door, lit., & fig. secret means or approach, (adj.) clandestine, underhand; ||~end, late autumn; ~fire, premature explosion in the cylinder of an internal-combustion engine (also as vb); ~formation, making from a supposed derivative (as *lazy, banting*) of the non-existent word (*laze, bant*) from which it might have come; ~ground, part of scene, picture, or description, that serves as setting to chief figures or objects & foreground, obscurity, retirement; ~handed, delivered with ~ of hand or in direction counter to the usual, indirect, unexpected, (~hander, such blow, indirect attack, extra glass got by bottle's travelling wrong way); ~marker, scratch man in race etc.; ~number (of magazine etc.), (sl.) out-of-date method or person; ~set, counter-current, check, reverse; ~side, posterior, rump; ~sight, that nearer stock of rifle etc., (Surv.) sight taken backwards; ~slang, form of low slang in which words are spelt & pronounced backwards (e.g. *ymnep* for *penny*); ~stairs *n.* & *a.*, ~stair *a.*, as ~door above; ~stays, ropes slanting abaft from mast-head to a lower point; ~stroke, return or backhand stroke; ~wash, motion of receding wave (lit. & fig.); ~water, water dammed back, currentless water beside stream & fed by its backflow, stagnant condition of things, creek communicating with sea by barred outlets, water cast from ship's paddles, loss of power caused by this; ~way, bypath (lit. & fig.); ~woods *n.* & *a.*, ~wood *a.*, (connected with) remote uncleared forest land (so ~woodsman). [*a. f. n.*, OE *bæc*; Teut., cf. com. Scand. *bak*]

bäck', *v.t.* & *i.* Put, or be, a back, lining, support, or background, to; assist with countenance, money, or argument, bet upon, whence ~ER¹ *n.*; (of sporting dogs) follow suit to one that points; ~up,

help by subordinate action, esp. in cricket; ride upon, break in to the saddle; countersign, endorse; cause to move back (horse, boat, engine, etc.); ~ a sail, yard, lay it aback, i.e. to face wind; ~ water, reverse boat's forward motion with oars; go backwards; (of wind) change counter-sunwise (cf. *VEER*); ~ out (off), withdraw (from undertaking etc.); ~ down, abandon claim. [f. prec.]

back¹, adv. To the rear (often with omission of vb, esp. in imperative), away from what is considered the front (*push the bolt ~*); away from a promise (*go ~ from or upon one's word*); into the past, into or in an earlier position or condition, home; in return (*answer ~ = retort*; *pay ~*); at a distance (~ *from the road*); in a checked condition (*keep ~*); = ago; reckoning backwards (*for years ~*); behind-hand; ~ & forth = to & fro; ~ of, = behind; ~ bite, slander, speak ill of, whence ~ **biter¹** n.; ~ *lash(ing)*, irregular recoil of wheels in machinery due to defects or sudden pressure; ~ *pedal*, work pedal backwards; ~ *slide* v.i., relapse into sin, whence ~ **slid¹** v.i., ~ **slid¹** ing¹, nn.; ~ *stitch* n. & v.t. & i., sew(ing) with overlapping stitches. [for **ABACK**]

back², n. Shallow vat used in brewing, dyeing, etc. [f. Du. *bak* tub f. F *bac* punt cf. med. L *baccus* ferryboat]

backgammon, n. Game played on special double board with draughts & dice; most complete form of win in this. [**BACK**² (because pieces go back or re-enter), **GAME**¹]

back³ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: body of supporters; material used to form thing's back or support. [**BACK**³, -**ING**¹]

backsheesh. See **BAKSHISH**.

back⁴ward(s), adv., **back⁴ward**, a. 1. Away from one's front (*look, lean, etc.*); back foremost (*walk etc.*); back to starting-point (*flow, roll, etc.*); not of living things exc. in ~ & forwards; into a worse state (*go etc.*); into the past (*reckon etc.*); the reverse way (*spell etc.*; *ring the bells ~*, from base upwards). 2. adj. Directed to rear or starting-point; reversed; reluctant, shy, behindhand, dull, whence **back⁴wardness** n. [orig. for *abackward*, later referred to **BACK**¹; see -**WARD**, -**WARDS**]

backward⁵ation, n. (St. Exch.). Percentage paid by seller of stock for right of delaying delivery (cf. **CONTANGO**). [f. prec. used as vb + -**ATION** on anal. of *retardation*]

bac¹on, n. Cured back & sides of pig (*save one's ~*, escape death or injury); bring home the ~ (sl.), succeed in one's undertaking. [OF, f. OHG *bacho* MHG *backe* buttock cf. **BACK**¹]

Bacon¹ian, a. & n. Of Francis Bacon or his philosophy, experimental, inductive;

(n.) follower of Bacon; believer in ~ authorship of Shakspeare's plays. [*Bacon* + -**IAN**]

bac²ony, a. Like bacon (esp. ~ *liver*, a disease, fatty degeneration). [**BACON** + -**Y**¹]

bactēri¹ol¹ysis, n. Artificial liquefaction of solid sewage by bacterial agency; destruction of bacteria by a serum. So ~ **ol¹ytic** a., capable of destroying bacteria. [f. foll. + Gk *lusis* dissolution (adj. f. *lutikos* able to dissolve)]

bactēr¹ium, n. (pl. -*ria*). Kinds of microscopic unicellular organism found almost everywhere, some of which cause disease. Hence ~ **ial** a., ~ **iol¹ogy**, ~ **iol¹ogist**, nn. [mod. L, f. Gk *baktērion* dim. of *baktro*n stick]

bac³uline, a. Of the stick or flogging (esp. ~ *argument*). [f. L *baculum* stick + -**INE**¹]

bād, a. (worse, worst), & n. 1. (Negatively) worthless, inferior, deficient, of poor quality, incorrect, not valid, (~ *air*, corrupt; ~ *coin*, debased; ~ *debt*, not recoverable; ~ *food*, not nourishing; ~ *lands*, extensive barren uncultivable tracts; *go ~*, decay; *with ~ grace*, reluctantly; ~ *shot*, wrong guess; ~ *law*, not sustainable; ~ *form*, want of breeding; ~ *pre-eminence*, disrepute; *in a ~ sense*, unfavourable; ~ *success*; ~ *egg*, ~ *hat*, (sl.) person of ~ character. 2. (Positively) noxious, depraved, vicious, offensive, painful, (~ *blood*, ill feeling; ~ *for*, injurious to); in ill health, injured, in pain, (*she is ~*, worse, *to-day*; *a ~ leg*); (colloq. of things in no case good) notable, decided, pronounced, (~ *blunder*, *head-ache*, *falling-off*). 3. n. Ill fortune (*take the ~ with the good*), wrong side of account (*£500 to the ~*), ruin (*go to the ~*). Hence **bādd¹ish¹** (2) a. [ME *badde*, perh. f. OE *bæddel* hermaphrodite, womanish man; for loss of l cf. *mycel much*]

bade. See **BID**¹.

badge, n. Distinctive mark, formerly of knight, now worn as sign of office or licensed employment or membership of a society; symbol, something that betrays a quality or condition. [ME; etym. dub.]

badg¹er¹, n. (dial.). Hawker, esp. of provisions. [†]

badg²er¹, n. Grey-coated strong-jawed nocturnal hibernating plantigrade quadruped between weasels & bears; *fishing-fly*, & painting-brush, made of its hair; ~ *baiting*, -*drawing*, setting dogs to draw it from its burrow or a cask; ~ *legged*, with legs of unequal length (popular error). [mod. E (older *brock* or *bawson*) perh. f. **BADGE** + -**ED** (earlier *bageard*, *badgerd*) with ref. to its white forehead mark]

badg³er¹, v.t. Bait like a badger, worry, tease. [f. prec.]

bād'nage (-ahzh), *n.* Light raillery. [F (*badiner* banter f. *badin* silly f. LL *badare* gape)]

bād'ly, *adv.* (worse, worst). Defectively, unsuccessfully, faultily, wickedly, cruelly, dangerously, by much (*beaten*), very much (*want a thing* ~). [-LY²]

badmash (būd'mahsh), **būd'**, *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Rascal, bad character. [Pers. & Urdu]

bād'minton, *n.* A summer drink (claret, soda, sugar); game with net, rackets, & shuttlecocks. [Duke of Beaufort's seat]

bād'ness, *n.* Poor quality or condition; faultiness, invalidity; wickedness, noxiousness, adverseness. [-NESS]

Baed'eker (bād-), *n.* Guide-book published by firm founded by Karl Baedeker; ~ *raids*, German reprisal air-raids in 1942 on (cathedral) cities in England starred in ~.

bā'el, *n.* Indian tree, the orange-like fruit of which is a specific for diarrhoea etc. [f. Hind. *bel*]

bā'fle, *v.t., & n.* Foll, reduce to perplexity, bar progress of, (person, curiosity, faculties, efforts, ship); *bafling winds*, variable, preventing a straight course; (*n.*) ~ or ~-plate, plate hindering or regulating passage of fluid through outlet or inlet (e.g. a damper). Hence ~-r *n.*, ~-plate. [perh. f. F *beffler* mock & *bafouer* hoodwink, both perh. f. Pr. *bafar* mock perh. f. *baf* inter]. of contempt]

bāff'y, *n.* Wooden golf club for lofting. [cf. Sc. *baff* a blow]

bāg', *n.* Receptacle of flexible material with opening at top (||green or blue ~, barrister's for briefs; hyphenated with nouns showing contents or purpose, as *mail*~, *travelling*~; also alone for such comp., e.g. for money~, so ~s=wealth, or for game~, also for g.~s contents or all a sportsman has shot or caught; ~ of bones, lean creature; *whole* ~ of tricks, every device, everything, all the lot; *in bottom* of ~, as last resource; *in the* ~ (colloq.), in one's possession or power, (as good as) secured; *let cat out* of ~, reveal secret, esp. involuntarily; ~ & *baggage*, with all belongings, esp. of utter expulsion, whence ~g'ING¹ (3) *n.*; cow's udder; sac in body containing honey, poison, etc.; baggy place under eyes etc.; ||(sl.) ~s, trousers; ~ fox, one brought, not found; ||~man, commercial traveller, also ~ fox; ~pipe(s), reed-pipe wind instrument with bag as receptacle for air, melody pipe (chanter), & fixed-note pipes (drones), used in Scotland &, with variations, in Ireland & N. England; ~sleeve, loose except at wrist; ~wig, 18th-c. wig with back hair enclosed in ~. Hence ~rul (2) *n.* [perh. f. ON *baggi* etym. dub.; no evidence for connexion with *baggy*, *bellows* (OHG *bagl*)]

bag', *v.i. & t.* (-gg-). Swell, bulge; ||(Naut.)

drop away from course; hang loosely; put in a bag, secure (game, whether lit. bagged or not), take possession of, (euphem.) steal; ||(school sl.) claim on the ground of being first to claim (I ~, but usu. ~s I or ~s, *first innings* I). [prec.]

bāg', *v.t.* (-gg-). Cut (wheat etc.) with a hook. [also *badge*; etym. dub.]

bagāsse', *n.* Refuse products in sugar-making. [F; perh. = *bagage* lumber]

bāgatēlle', *n.* Trifle, negligible amount; short unpretentious piece of music; minor game of billiard kind. [F, f. It. *bagatella* dim. perh. f. *baga* BAGGAGE]

bāgg'age, *n.* Belongings with which one travels (now ousted exc. in U.S. by *luggage*); portable equipment of army; good-for-nothing woman (now only used playfully), saucy girl. [f. OF *bagage* f. *baguer* tie up or *bagues* bundles pl. of *bague*=It. & LL *baga* chest]

bāgg'y (-g-), *a.* Puffed out, hanging in loose folds. Hence ~INESS *n.* [BAG¹ + -Y²]

bagno (bān'yō), *n.* Bathing-house (now only in Italy & Turkey); oriental prison; brothel. [f. It. *bagno* f. L *balneum* bath]

bah, *int.* of contempt. [F]

Bahadur (bahahd'er), *n.* Title of respect appended in India to a person's name (& other titles); (Anglo-Ind. sl.) consequential official. [Hind., =gallant]

baignoire (bēnwahr'), *n.* Box at theatre on level of stalls. [F]

bail', *n.* Security for prisoner's appearance, on giving which he is released pending trial (*forfeit one's* ~, fail to appear; *save one's* ~, appear); (joc.) *give leg* ~, run away; person(s) who become(s) surety for prisoner's appearance (*be, become, go, ~; go ~ for, guarantee truth of anything; magistrate accepts, admits to, allows, holds to, takes, ~; prisoner gives, offers, surrenders to his, ~; his ~ surrender, render, bring in, produce, him*). [OF *bail* custody f. *baillier* take charge of f. L *bajulare* bear a burden (*bajulus* porter)]

bail', *v.t.* 1. Deliver (goods) in trust. 2. Admit to bail, release on security given for appearance, (of magistrate; arch.); secure liberation of, by becoming bail or security for (~ *out* if already in prison). [sense 1 f. F *bailler* deliver; sense 2 f. BAIL¹]

bail', *n.* 1. (Hist.) outer line of fortification formed of stakes; wall of castle court, or court itself. 2. (Mod.) bar separating horses in open stable; *winning* ~, slung from manger to ceiling; (cricket) one of the cross pieces (orig. one, not two) over stumps. [OF *bail* perh. f. *baillier* enclose, or f. L *baculum* stick]

bail', *n.* Half-hoop for supporting wagon-tilt etc.; hoop-handle of kettle etc.; ||(Australia) frame holding cow's head at milking. [ME *beyl* f. ON *beypla* sword-guard etc. (*beygya*=OE *bēgan* to bend)]

bail¹, v.t. Confine (arch.); || (Australia) ~ up, secure (cow; see prec.); (of bush-rangers) make hold up the arms to rob, (intr. of victim) throw up the arms. [f. OF *baillier* enclose perh. same as in prec. & BAIL²]

bail², *bâle*, v.t. & i. Throw water out of boat with pails etc. (~ water out, ~ out boat, or abs.); *bale* out, (of airman) make parachute descent esp. from damaged aircraft. Hence **bail'er¹** [-ER¹ (2)] n. [f. obs. n. *bail* bucket f. F *baillie* f. LL *bacula* dim. of *bacca*, *bacca*, water-vessel]

bail'able, n. Admitting of bail (offence). [BAIL^{1,2} + -ABLE]

bail'ee, n. One to whom goods are entrusted for a purpose. [BAIL² + -EE]

bail'er², n. Ball that hits balls at cricket. [BAIL² + -ER¹]

bail'ey, n. Outer wall of castle; also any of its inner defensive circuits, or any of the courts enclosed between these; *Old B-*, London Central Criminal Court, standing in ancient ~ of city wall. [ME variant of BAIL² perh. f. med. L form *ballium*]

bail'ie (-li), n. Scottish municipal magistrate=Eng. alderman. [ME *bailli* f. OF *baillis* BAILIFF]

bail'iff, n. (Orig.) King's representative in a district (including mayor, sheriff, etc.), esp. chief officer of a hundred (still in *High-B-* of Westminster, *B-* of Dover Castle, etc.; used as Eng. equivalent of F *bailli*, G *landvogt*, Channel-I. *baillie* or first civil officer); officer under sheriff for writs, processors, arrests; agent of lord of manor; landholder's steward. [ME & OF *baillif* obj. case of *baillis* f. LL *bafulvus* (L *bafulus* porter)]

bail'itwick, n. District, jurisdiction, of bailie or bailiff. [BAILIE + WICK²]

bail'ment, n. Delivery of goods in trust; bailing of prisoner. [OF *bailement* see BAIL² + -MENT]

bail'or, n. One who delivers goods to another for a stated purpose. [BAIL² + -OR²]

bails'man (-v-), n. One who gives bail for another. [f. *bail's* (BAIL²) + MAN]

bain-marie (bân'maré), n. Vessel of hot water in which stewpans are stood to warm. [F. f. L *balneum Mariæ* bath of the Virgin perh. from gentleness of process]

Bairam (bfahm'), n. Mohammedan festival (twice a year, Lesser & Greater). [Turk. & Pers.]

bairn, n. Child (Sc. form now borrowed in literary Eng., the E *berne* having perished, & *barne* become dialectal). [OE *bearn*, com.-Teut. f. *beran* BEAR²]

bait¹, v.t. & i. (Orig.) cause to bite; **1.** Worry (chained animal) by setting dogs at it (*with* dogs, or abs.; also of the dogs), whence (*bear*, *bull*, etc.) -**baiting¹** n.; torment (helpless person) with jeers etc. **2.** Give food to, take food. (of horses on

journey); stop at inn (orig. to feed horses, then also for rest or refreshment). **3.** Put food (real or sham) on or in (hook, trap, fishing-place). [sense 3 prob. f. foll.; ME *beyten* f. ON *beita* cause to bite (*bíta* BITE v.) cf. OF *beter*]

bait², n. Food to entice prey (*live* ~, small fish so used); (fig.) an allurement, temptation; halt in journey for refreshment or rest. [partly f. ON *beita* food, partly f. prec.]

baize, n. Coarse woollen stuff with long nap used for coverings. [f. F *baies* pl. fem. of *bat* f. L *badius* chestnut-coloured, *BAZ*, treated by mistake as sing. cf. *BODICE*]

bake, v.t. & i. Cook by dry heat in closed place or on hot surface (not by direct exposure to fire), whence **bak'ing¹** (5) n.; harden by heat; *half-~d*, immature, half-witted; (of sun) ripen (fruit), tan (skin); (intr.) undergo the process, be cooked, hardened, tanned, by heat; || ~' house, house or room for baking bread, or for making loaf-sugar; ~'stone, flat stone, slate, or iron plate, on which cakes are baked in oven; *baking-powder*, substitute for yeast. [OE *bacan*; com.-Teut., & cf. Gk *phōgō* roast]

bak'elite, n. Widely-used synthetic resin or plastic made from formaldehyde & phenol. [G *bakelit*; f. L. H. *Bakeland* inventor; P]

bak'er, n. Professional breadmaker (*pull devil*, *pull* ~, encouragement to both sides; ~s dozen, thirteen, 13th loaf being huckster's profit; ~legged, knock-kneed); (Fishing) kind of artificial fly. Hence ~ESS¹, **bak'ery** (3), nn. [OE *bæcere* (*bacan* BAKE + -ER²)]

bak'sheesh, **bakh'shish** (-š-), n. Gratuity, tip, (article not used). [Pers., f. *bakhshidan* give]

Bäl'aam (-läm), n. Disappointing prophet or ally; || (Journalism) matter kept in stock to fill up gaps in newspaper (*Numb.* xlii. 28 or 38; ~-box, receptacle for this). **Bälaclav'a** (-ahva), n. Site of Crimean battle; || ~ helmet, woollen covering for head & shoulders worn esp. by soldiers etc. on active service.

bälalaik'a (-lika), n. Triangular guitar-like musical instrument, popular in Slav countries. [Russ.]

bäl'ance¹, n. **1.** Weighing-apparatus with central pivot, beam, & two scales; spring or lever substitute for this; regulating gear of clock or watch; zodiac constellation (usu. *Libra* or *The Scales*), & (not now corresponding) seventh sign of zodiac. **2.** The weighing of actions or opinions, the wavering of fortune or chance, power to decide (*hold the* ~); counterpoise, set-off; equilibrium (~ of power, no State greatly preponderant); (Art) harmony of design & proportion; steady position (*lose one's* ~, fall physiol-

cally or be upset mentally; ~wheel, in watch, regulating the boat; preponderating weight or amount (the ~ of advantage lies with him). 3. (Accounts) difference between Cr & Dr, statement of this (strike a ~, determine it; ~sheet, written statement of it with details); ~ of trade, difference between exports & imports; ~ in hand, amount over after realizing assets & meeting liabilities; ~ due, deficiency; on ~, taking everything into consideration; (sl.) the remainder of anything. [F, = It. *bilancia* f. L (*libra*) m (*lanx-lancis* plate) two-scaled (balance)]

bál'ance², v.t. & i. 1. Weigh (a question, two arguments etc. against each other); match (thing) with, by, against, another; bring (thing, oneself) into, or keep in, equilibrium; equal or neutralize weight of, make up for; oscillate, waver; (Dancing) move conversely with one's partner. 2. (Accounts) compare Dr & Cr, make the entry necessary to equalize them; account ~s, two sides are equal; settle (account) by paying deficit. [f. F *balancer* (balance = prec.)]

bál'as, n. Red spinel resembling ruby. [f. OF *balais* ult. f. Pers. *Badakhshan* district of origin]

Bálbrig'gan, n. Knitted cotton fabric used in hose, underwear, etc. [~ in Ireland]

bál'con'y, n. Outside balustraded platform with access from upper-floor window; (Theatre) tier of seats generally between dress-circle & gallery. Hence ~ind² (-n'd) a. [f. It. *balcone* (balco f. OHG *balcho* = BALK¹ + -one -oon)]

bald (bawld), a. With scalp wholly or partly hairless (go ~headed (sl.), stake everything, disregard consequences); (of animals etc.) hairless, featherless, treeless, leafless, napless; (of horses) marked with white, esp. on face; (of style) meagre, dull, jejune, monotonous, (of bad qualities) undisguised, whence ~ly² adv.; ~head, ~pate, (person) with ~ head, kinds of duck (pate only) & pigeon. Hence ~NESS n. [earlier *balled* perh. f. obs. *ball* white spot (cf. W (*cefful*) *bál* (horse) with white forehead, Ir. & Gael. *bal* spot, + -ED²)]

bál'dachin (-k-), -quin, n. (Orig.) rich brocade; (now) canopy projecting, suspended, or on pillars, over altar, throne, etc. [F & Sp. *baldaquin* f. It. *baldacchino* (*Baldacco* It. form of *Bagdad*, place of origin)]

bald'-cōt, **bald'icōt**, (bawli-), n. The coat, from its bare white forehead; bald person.

bald'derdāsh (bawli-), n. (Formerly) frothy liquid, mixture of liquors; (now) jumble of words, nonsense; foul language. [1]

baldmoney (bawld'mūn), n. Yellow-flowered umbelliferous plant. [1]

bál'dric (bawli-), n. Belt for sword, bugle,

etc., hung from shoulder to opposite hip. Hence ~wise adv. [earlier *baudry* f. OF *baudrei* cf. MHG *balderich* perh. f. L *balteus* BELT]

bāle¹, n. Evil, destruction, woe, pain, misery, (poet. & arch.). Hence ~ful (-lf-) a., ~fully² adv. [OE, OSax., & OFris. *bahu* f. OTeut. **bahwom* neut. adj. evil]

bāle², n., & v.t. (Make up into) package of merchandise usu. done up in canvas & corded or metal-hooped. [ME (perh. through Flem.) f. OF *bale*, *balle*, f. It. *balla*, *palla*, either from OHG *balla*, *palla*, BALL¹, or f. Gk *palla* ball]

bāle³. See BAL⁴.

baleen¹, n. & a. Whalebone. [ME *baleyne* f. OF *baleine* f. L *balæna* whale]

bāle'fīre (-lf-), n. Great fire in the open; funeral pyre; beaconfire (fire added only in 19th c.); bonfire. [f. OE *bæl* & ON *bál* great fire f. OTeut. *balom* (cf. Skr. *bhalas* lustre, Gk *phalos* shining) + FIRE]

balk¹, **baulk**, (bawk), n. Ridge loft unploughed; stumbling-block, hindrance; sanctuary area on billiard table (make a ~, utilize this); roughly squared timber beam; tie-beam of a house; headline of fishing-net. [OE *balca* ridge & perh. ON *balkr* beam]

balk², **baulk**, (bawk), v.t. & i. Shirk, miss, (topic, turn, duty, chance); jib, shy, pull up; hinder, thwart, disappoint, discourage, startle. [f. prec.]

Bal'kan (bawli), a. Of the peninsula bounded by the Adriatic, Aegean, and Black Seas, or of its peoples and countries. So ~ize (3) v.t., divide (an area) into small antagonistic states.

ball¹ (bawl), n. Solid or hollow sphere; (with distinctive adj.) any of the heavenly bodies; hard or soft, inflated or solid, large or small, sphere used in games; (Cricket) single delivery of it by bowler (no ~, delivery breaking rules); solid missile (not always spherical) for cannon, rifle, pistol, etc. (load with ~, opposed to blank cartridge) = BALLOT n., & see BLACK¹; ~ of eye, eye within lids; material gathered or wound in round mass, as snow, medicine (veterinary), wool, or string; ~ of foot, rounded part at base of great toe, so ~ of thumb. (Phrr.) have the ~ at one's feet, see one's way to success; keep up the ~, keep the ~ rolling, do one's part in talk etc.; the ~ is with you, it is your turn; ~ & socket, joint with greatest possible freedom; || three ~s, pawnbroker's sign; ~-firing, with ~ cartridge; ~-proof; ~-bearings, axle fittings avoiding friction by use of small ~s; ~cock, -tap, automatic cistern-tap with floating ~; ~-flower, archit. ornament. [ME *bal* f. ON *bállr* f. OTeut. *ballus*]

ball² (bawl), n. Social assembly for dancing (so ~room; give a ~, of the entertainer; open the ~, lead first dance, fig.

commence operations). [f. *F. bal* f. *baler*, *baller*, = Pr. *balar*, It. & L.L. *ballare* to dance perh. f. *Gk. balliō* dance]

ball¹ (bawl), v.t. & i. Squeeze or wind into a ball; ~ *up* (sl.), muddle; grow into a lump or lumps. [BALL¹]

ball²ad, n. Simple song, esp. sentimental composition of several verses, each sung to same melody, with accompaniment merely subordinate; poem in short stanzas narrating popular story. Hence ~-MONGER, ~RY (5), nn. [ME & OF *balade* (F *ball*-) f. Pr. *balada* dancing-song f. *balar* (BALL²), -ADE (1)]

ballade¹ (balahd), n. Poem of one or more triplets of seven-lined or eight-lined stanzas, each ending with same refrain line, & envoy; poem of equal (usu. seven or eight line) stanzas; ~ *royal*, stanzas of seven or eight ten-syllable lines (also *rhyme royal*). [earlier spelling & pron. of prec., now used technically]

ball²ast¹, n. Heavy material placed in ship's hold to secure stability; in ~, in the hold, (of ship) laden with ~ only or unladen, (of material) as ~; experience, principles, etc., that give stability to character; slag etc. used to form bed of railroad or substratum of road. [so in most Eur. langg.; perh. OSw. & ODa. *barlast* (now *bal-*) show origin, *bar* bare, mere, + *last* load]

ball²ast², v.t. Furnish with, render steady by means of, ballast (lit. & fig.); fill in (railroad bed) with ballast. Hence ~ING² (3) n. [f. prec.]

ballerina (-énah), n. Dancing-woman, ballet-girl. [It.]

ball²et (-läh), n. Combined performance of professional dancers on the stage. [F, dim. of *bal* BALL²]

ballis¹ta, n. (pl. -ae). Ancient military engine for hurling great stones etc. [L, f. *Gk. ballō* throw]

ballis²tic, a. Of projectiles, of hurling-power. Hence ~ICS n. [prec. + -IC]

ballon d'essai (see Ap.), n. Experiment to see whether the public, or foreign States, will tolerate a new departure in policy etc. [F]

ball²onēt, n. Air compartment in envelope of balloon or airship. [F (-nēt) as foll.]

ballōn¹, n. (Archit.) large ball crowning pillar, spire, etc.; (Chem.) large hollow glass globe used in distillations; round or pear-shaped airtight envelope inflated with gas lighter than air & rising skywards, whence ~IST (3) n.; anything hollow & inflated; shape into which, or frame on which, trees & plants are trained; ~ *barrage*, anti-aircraft barrier of steel cables supported in an almost vertical position each by a captive ~ (*barrage* ~); ~ *tire*, low-pressure motor tire of large section. [f. It. *ballone* large ball (*balla* see BALM² + -one see -OON)]

ballōn², v.i. Ascend in balloon, whence

~ER¹ n.; swell out like balloon (gowns etc.). [f. prec.]

ball²ot¹, n. (Small ball, ticket, or paper—also ~-paper—used in) secret voting; votes so recorded; lot-drawing (whether by balls or not); ~-box, used in voting or lot-drawing. [f. It. *ballotta* dim. of *balla* ball see BALM²]

ball²ot², v.i. Give secret vote; ~ *for*, select (officials etc.) by secret vote; draw lots (for precedence, esp. in H. of Commons for right of moving resolutions etc.). [f. It. *ballottare* (*ballotta* BALLOT²)]

ball²ot³, n. Small bale of 70 to 120 lb. [F dim. of *balle* BALM²]

ball²otage, n. French second ballot, between two highest candidates with less than legal majority. [F, f. *ballotter* = BALLOT²; see -AGE]

Ball(haus)platz (bahl'howsplahts), n. Foreign Office of late Austro-Hungarian Empire. [~ in Vienna]

|| **ball**²y, a. & adv. (sl.) expr. speaker's disgust or satisfaction (*stung by a ~ wasp*; *too ~ tired*; *whose ~ fault is that?*; *won the ~ lot*). [pronunciation of *bl*-y = *bloody*]

ball²yhōō, n. (orig. U.S.). Trumped-up publicity of a vulgar or misleading kind; barker's harangue. [f]

ball²yrag, v.t. & i. (sl.; -gg-). Maltreat by hustling, jeering, or playing practical jokes on; indulge in horseplay. Hence ~GING¹ (-g-) n. [etym. dub.; also *bullyrag*, prob. by pop. etym.]

balm (bahm), n. Fragrant & medicinal exudation from certain trees; ointment for anointing, soothing pain, or healing; perfume, fragrance; healing or soothing influence, consolation; tree yielding ~ (Asia & N. Africa); B~ *Gentle* or B~ *mint*, *Bastard B~*, *Field B~*, fragrant herbs; B~ *of Gilead* or *of Mecca*, golden oleo-resin once much used as antiseptic, artificial imitation of this. [ME & OF *basme* f. L *balsamum* BALSAM; the ME has been variously corrected on the L (e.g. *balsme*), whence the mod. -i-]

balm²-cricket (bahm-), n. Cicada. [earlier *baum-*; mistransl. of G *baumgrille* tree-cricket]

balm²ō'ral, n. Kinds of laced boot, petticoat, Scotch cap. [B~ *Castle*, royal residence in Scotland]

balm²iy (bahm'y), a. Yielding balm; fragrant, soft, mild, soothing, healing; (sl.) = BARMY. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [BALM + -Y¹]

balneol¹ogŷ, n. Scientific study of bathing and medicinal springs. [f. L *balneum* bath + -o- + -logŷ]

bal²sam (bawl), n. Resinous product = BALM; *True B~* or B~ *of Mecca* = BALM *of Gilead*; other medicinal oleo-resins; *Canada B~*, used in mounting for microscope; artificial oily or resinous ointment, esp. various substances dissolved in oil or turpentine, e.g. B~ *of Antisept*; (fig.)

healing or soothing agency; (Chem.) compounds of resins & volatile oils, insoluble in water; tree yielding ~; flowering plant of genus *Impatiens*; *B~ Apple*, gourdlike plant with highly coloured fruit. Hence **balsám'ic** (bawl- or bál-) a., **balsám'ically** adv., **balsamif'EROUS** a., ~^r (bawl-) a. [*f. L balsamum*; from c. 1000 to 1600 either variants of *basmé* were used, or the full *L*; *balsam* before & after those dates]

bal'timōre (bawl-), n. N.-Amer. orange & black starling. [colours of Lord Baltimore's (proprietor of Maryland) coat of arms]

bal'uster, n. Short pillar, slender above, pear-shaped below; post helping to support rail; (pl.) set of these supporting handrail of staircase (now usu. *banisters*). [*f. F balustre f. It. balaustra f. L f. Gk balaustrion* wild-pomegranate flower (from shape of its calyx-tube)]

balustr'ade', n. Row of balusters with rail or coping as ornamental parapet to terrace, balcony, etc. Hence ~**ad'** ^{ED} a. [*prec.*, ~**AD**]

bām, v.t. & n. (sl., arch.). Hoax. [from 18th c.; etym. dub.]

bāmbin'ō (-ō), n. (pl. -ni). Image of infant Jesus in swaddling-clothes shown in Italian churches at Christmas. [*It.*, =baby]

bāmbōō', n. (pl. -oos). Genus of tropical giant grasses; the stem, used as stick or material. [*bambu* now in Java & Sumatra, but perh. not native]

bāmbōō'zle, v.t. (sl.). Hoax, mystify, cheat into doing something or out of property etc. Hence ~**MENT** (-zel-) n. [from c. 1700; etym. dub.; cf. *BAM*, also *F bambocher* play the fool, *bamboche* puppet *f. It. bamboccio* simpleton (*bambo* fool + *-occio*)]

bān', v.t. & i. (-nn-). Curse (t. & i., arch.); prohibit, interdict. [OE *bannan* summon & ON *banna* curse *f. OTeut. bannan* proclaim *f. root ba-* (cf. *L fa-*, *Gk pha-*) speak]

bān', n. Ecclesiastical anathema, interdict; curse supposed to have supernatural power; angry execration (arch.); formal prohibition; sentence of outlawry, esp. *Ban of the Holy Roman Empire*; tacit prohibition by public opinion (*under a ~*). [OF, *f. LL bannum f. Teut. bann* proclamation with penalties (*bannan BAN'*)]

bān', n. Viceroy of districts in Hungary, Croatia, etc., commanding in war. [Pers., =lord]

bān'al, a. Commonplace, trite. [*F* (*BAN'*, -al); orig. a feudal word; the use of the lord's mill was compulsory for all tenants (*bannal mill*), whence the sense *common to all*]

bānāl'itē, n. Triteness; a commonplace. [*f. F banalité f. prec.*, see -ALITY]

bān'na (-nah-), n. Tropical & subtropical

fruit-tree; its fruit, finger-shaped with yellow rind, in clusters (*hand of ~s*, bunch). [Port. or Sp. *f.* the native name in Guinea]

Bān'bury cake, n. Spiced cake made at Banbury, Oxfordshire.

banc (bāngk), **banco** (bāngk'ō), n. Used in phrases *in banc*, *in banco*, = on the bench, applied to sittings of a Superior Court of Common Law as a full court (not *Nisi Prius* or circuit). [*banco L* abl. of *bancus* bench; see *BANK'*]

bānd', n. 1. Thing that restrains, binds together, connects or unites (chiefly arch., now ousted by the orig. identical *BOND*); (Bookbinding) straps at back holding sheets together; ~*stone*, one passing through dry-stone wall & binding it. 2. Flat strip of thin material; hoop round anything (of iron, elastic, etc.); strap forming part of a garment (shirt, dress, hat, etc.), (pl.) development of neckband or collar into two pendent strips (clerical, legal); *reef-~*, strip sewn on sail at eyelet holes for strength; (Mech.) belt connecting wheels; stripe of colour or distinguishable material on object, ~*box*, of paper-covered chip or card-board for millinery (orig. for clerical ~s: *look as if one came out of ~box*, of extreme neatness); ~*saw*, endless saw running over wheels; ~*wheel*, worked by strap from another. 3. Organized company of armed men, robbers, persons with common object (*B- of Hope*, total-abstinence association), body of musicians, esp. wind-instrument performers (*brass ~ military ~*; *dance ~*; ~*master*, conductor; ~*stand*, platform; ~*s'man*, member of ~). [all meanings ult. *f. OTeut. bindan BIND'*, but 1, 2, 3, with different hist. (1) (tie), ME *band f. ON band f. OTeut.* (hence also *BOND*); (2) (strip), late ME *bande f. F bande, bende*, = Pr. & It. *bende f. OHG bindā f. OTeut.*; (3) (company) 15th-c. *bande f. F bande* = Pr., Sp., It. *banda* ribbon or LL *bandum* banner both *f. Teut.*]

bānd', v.t. Put a band on; mark with stripes; form into a league (usu. *refl.* or *pass.*). [*f. F bander f. bande*, see *prec.*]

bān'dagle, n., & v.t. Strip of material for binding up limb, wound, etc., or anything used for blindfolding; (vb) tie up with ~e, whence ~**ING** (3) n. [*F, f. bande BAND'*; see -AGE]

bāndānn'a, -ān'a, n. Richly coloured yellow or white spotted (orig. always silk) handkerchief. [Hind. *bandhnu* method of spot-dyeing]

bān'dar (būn-), n. (Anglo-Ind.). The rhesus monkey; ~*log*: the whole race of monkeys; (fig.) irresponsible chatterers. [Hind.; *log* = people]

bāndeau' (-dō), n. (pl. -x, pr. -z). Fillet for binding woman's hair; fitting-band inside woman's hat. [*F*]

băn'deröl(e), *n.* Long narrow flag with cleft end flown at masthead; ornamental streamer on knight's lance; ribbon-like scroll (Archit., stone band) with inscription; sometimes = **BANNEROL**. [*F. banderole* dim. of *bandière* **BANNER**]

băn'dicōōt, *n.* (India) rat as large as cat; (Australia) insectivorous marsupial. [*F. Telugu pandi-kokku* pig rat]

băn'dit, *n.* (pl. *-its, -itts*). Outlaw; lawless robber, brigand, (usu. in organized gangs); a *banditti*, set of brigands. [*F. It. bandito* pl. *-iti* p.p. of *bandire* = med. *L. bannire* proclaim see **BAN**¹ ¹]

|| **băn'dōg**, *n.* Chained dog; mastiff, bloodhound. [earlier *band-dog* *f. BAND*¹]

băndoleer', *-ier'* (-ē), *n.* Shoulder-belt with cartridge-loops. [*F. 17th-c. F. bandouillere* *f. It. bandoliera* (*bandola* dim. of *banda* **BAND**²)]

băndolēr'ō, *n.* Highwayman. [*Sp.*]

băn'doline, *n.* Gummy preparation for fixing the hair or moustache. [*perh. f. BANDEAU*]

băn'dy', *v.t.* Throw, strike, pass, to & fro (ball, or fig. stories, epithets, etc.); often ~ *about*; discuss (names etc.); give & take (blows etc.), exchange (something with some one). [*cf. F. bander* 'bundle at Tennis' *perh. f. bande* side; ~ *unexplained*]

băn'dy', *n.* (Orig.) special form of tennis; (now also ~ *ball*) hockey; the stick, curved at end, used in the game. [*perh. f. prec.*]

băn'dy', *n.* Indian cart or buggy. [*f. Telugu banḍi*]

băn'dy', *a.* Wide apart at the knees (of legs); ~ *legged*, (of persons or animals) having ~ legs. [*perh. f. BANDY*¹ curved stick]

băne, *n.* Poison (lit. now only in comb. as *rat's-~*); cause of ruin, esp. *the ~ of ruin*, woe, (poet.). Hence ~ *FUL* (-nf-) *a.*, ~ *fully*² *adv.*, ~ *fulness* *n.* [*OE bana* death, murder, *cf. OHG bano*; also *Gk phonos* slaughter]

băng', *v.t. & i.* Strike (t. & i.) noisily, shut (t. & i. of door) with noise; make sound of blow or explosion; thrash; (sl. surpass. [from 16th c.; *cf. ON banga* to hammer, *LG bängen* strike])

băng', *n.* Sounding blow, sound of a blow, report of gun. [*f. prec.*]

băng', *adv. & int.* With sudden impact, abruptly, completely, explosively; *go ~ explode*; conventional imitation of gun fire. [*f. BANG*¹]

băng', *v.t. & i.* Cut (front hair) straight across forehead; (*n.*) fringe resulting ~ *tail*, horse with tail out straight across. [*f. prec.*]

bangl(e) (*băng'gl*), *n.* Ring bracelet or anklet. Hence ~ *ed*³ (-ld) *a.* [*f. Hind. bangri*, glass wrist-ring]

băn'lan, **băn'yan**, *n.* Hindoo trader. (Bengal) native broker to European

house; Indian flannel jacket; (*Naut.*) ~ *day*, on which no meat is served out; ~ *hospital*, for animals; ~ *tree* (or ~), Indian Fig, branches of which root themselves over great extent. [*Port. banian* *f. Arab. banyan* *f. Gujarati vanyo* man of trading caste. ~ *day*, *hospital*, from caste reverence for animal life; ~ *tree*, *E* name used first of a specimen under which Banians had built pagoda]

băn'ish, *v.t.* Condemn to exile (person from place, or double obj. as ~ *ed him the court*, or obj. of person only); dismiss from one's presence or mind. Hence ~ *MENT* *n.* [*f. OF banir* (-ish) *f. LL bannire* **BAN**¹]

băn'ister, *n.* (usu. pl.). Upright(s) supporting stair handrail (also pl. for up-rights & rail together). [corruption of **BALUSTER**]

băn'jō, *n.* (pl. *-os, -oes*). Stringed musical instrument with guitar neck & head, tambourine body, played with fingers. Hence ~ *IST* (8) *n.* [negro corruption of earlier *bandore* ult. *f. Gk pandoura*]

bănk', *n.* 1. Raised shelf of ground, slope, elevation in sea or river bed; artificial slope enabling car etc. to maintain speed round a curve; flat-topped mass of cloud, snow, etc. 2. Sloping margin of river, ground near river (*right, left, ~, to one looking down stream*); edge of hollow place (e.g. top of shaft in mining). [*ME banke* *cf. OIce. bakki* in same senses *f. OTeut. bankon* *cf. BANK*¹]

bănk', *v.t. & i.* Contain as a bank, confine with bank(s); (of car or aeroplane or its occupant) travel with one side higher; confine watch-escapement (of ~ *ing-pins*), strike against the ~ *ing-pins* (or abs.; of escapement); ~ *up*, heap or rise into banks (of snow, clouds), pack tightly (fire, for slow burning). [*f. prec.*]

bănk', *n.* Establishment for custody of money, which it pays out on customer's order; || *the B~*, *B~ of England*, managing the public debt, receiving the revenue, issuing legal-tender notes, & having the Government for chief customer; (Gaming) amount of money before keeper of table; ~ *bill*, drawn by one ~ on another; ~ *book*, containing customer's private copy of his account with ~; ~ *credit*, arrangement by which customer may overdraw on security given; || ~ *holiday*, day on which ~ *s* are legally closed, usu. kept as general holiday also; || ~ *note*, banker's promissory note payable to bearer on demand & serving as money; ~ *rate*, announced percentage at which *B~ of England* is prepared to discount bills. [*f. F banque* *f. It. banca* *f. Teut. bank* **BENCH**, see **BANK**¹]

bănk', *v.t. & i.* Keep bank, trade in money (~ *ing-house*, commercial firm that does some ~ *ing*); keep money at bank; deposit (money etc.) at bank; convert into

money; (Gaming) hold table fund; ~ (upon, base one's hopes on, count upon, reckon reliable. [f. prec.]

bānk², n. Galley-rower's bench; tier of oars in galley; row of organ keys; working-table in some trades. [ME *baunck* f. OF *banc* f. Teut. *bank* f. OTeut. *bankiz* BENCH f. *bankon*]

bānk³*'able*, a. That will be received at a bank (accruals etc.). [BANK³ + -ABLE]

bānk³*'er*¹, n. Proprietor or partner of private bank, governor, director, etc., of joint-stock bank, (*let me be your ~*, lend or give the money you need); (Gaming) keeper of the bank; dealer in some games of chance; a gambling game of cards. [BANK³ + -ER¹]

|| **bānk**³*'er*², n. Labourer (Eastern countries); (Hunting) horse that jumps on & off banks too large to clear. [BANK³ + -ER¹]

bānk³*'er*³, n. Wooden or stone bench for trimming bricks or stone on; ~ *mark*, mason's sign manual (formerly engraved on a dressed stone before it left the ~). [perh. -It. *banco* statuary's bench]

bānk³*'et*, n. Auriferous conglomerate like pudding-stone found in S. Africa. [Du. = kind of hardbake (BANQUET)]

bānk³*'ing*, n. In vbl senses of BANK^{3,4}; also, fishing on a sea bank (esp. Newfoundland). [BANK³]

bānk³*'rupt*¹, n. (Law) insolvent person whose effects, on creditors' or his own petition to Bankruptcy Court, are administered & distributed for benefit of all creditors; (pop.) insolvent debtor. [earlier *bankrout* etc. f. It. *banca rotta* broken bank (BANK³, L *rupt* p.p. of *rumper* break) corrected to -*rupt* on L]

bānk³*'rupt*², v.t. Reduce to bankruptcy. [f. prec.]

bānk³*'rupt*³, a. Under legal process because of insolvency; insolvent; bereft (of some quality etc.). [perh. the short p.p. of prec.]

bānk³*'ruptcy*, n. Being declared bankrupt, being insolvent; utter loss (of something, e.g. reputation). [prec. + -cy, irreg. for -*rupty*]

bānk³*'sia* (-sha), n. Australian flowering shrub now grown in Europe. [Sir J. Banks, -IA¹]

bānk³*'sman*, n. Coal-mine overlooker above ground. [BANK³]

bānn³*'er*, n. Cloth flag on pole used as standard of emperor, king, lord, knight, for war; flag of a country etc. (*Join, follow, the ~ of*; now chiefly fig.); ensign (esp. in frame, or with two poles) borne in religious or political demonstrations; anything used as symbol of principles; ~ *screen*, fire screen hung from standing pole or mantelpiece; (attrib.) pre-*ment*, conspicuous, as ~ *headline* (in newspaper). Hence ~ *ed*³ (-*erd*) a. [f. OF *bantere* f. LL + *bandaria* f. LL *bandum* f. Goth. *bandwa* perh. f. root of *band*, *bind*]

bānn³*'erēt*, n. Knight having vassals under his banner; one knighted on the field for valour. [ME & OF *banerel* (*bantere* see prec. + -*el* = -ATE³) lit. bannered]

bānn³*'eröl*, n. Banner borne at great men's funerals & placed over tomb; = BANDEROLE. [var. of BANDEROLE]

bānn³*'ock*, n. Scotch & N.-Eng. home-made loaf, usu. unleavened, flat, & round or oval. [f. Gael. *bannach* perh. f. L *paniculum* (*panis* bread)]

bānns (-z), n. pl. Notice in church of intended marriage, thrice read to give opportunity of objection (*ask, publish, put up, forbid, the ~*). [var. of BAN²]

bānq³*'uēt*¹, n. Sumptuous feast; dinner with speeches in celebration of something or to further a cause. [F, dim. of *banc* bench BANK³]

bānq³*'uēt*², v.t. & i. Regale (person); feast, carouse, whence ~ER¹ n. [f. F *banqueter* (*hanquet* = prec.)]

bānquette³ (-kët), n. Raised way behind rampart etc. for firing from; bench behind driver in French diligence. [F, f. It. *banchetta* dim. of *banca* bench see BANK³]

bān³*'shee*, n. Spirit whose wail portends death in a house (Irish & Scotch). [Ir. *bean státhe* f. OIr. *ben* side woman of the fairies]

bānt, v.i. See BANTING.

bān³*'tarn*, n. Small kind of domestic fowl, of which the cock is very pugnacious; small but spirited person (~ *battalion*, of men below normal standard enrolled for the war of 1914-18); ~ *weight* (Boxing) see BOX³*ing weights*. [f. Bantam in Java whence they were perh. brought, though perh. orig. Japanese]

bān³*'ter*, n., & v.t. & i. Humorous ridicule, good-humoured personalities; (vb) make fun of, rally; talk jestingly. [f. 17th c.; etym. dub.]

bān³*'ting*, n. Treatment of obesity by abstinence from sugar, starch, & fat; **bānt** v.i., adopt this. [for *Banting's method*]

bān³*'tling*, n. Young child, brat. [perh. corrupted f. G *bänkling* bastard f. *bank* (bench-begotten, cf. BASTARD); or f. BAND³ swathe + -LING¹ (2)]

Bantu (bahntōō), n. & a. Used to include many related African languages & races. [native, = people]

bānx³*'ring*, n. Javanese squirrel-like insectivorous animal. [Javanese *bangsring*]

bān³*'yan*. See BANIAN (used esp. for the tree).

bānzai³ (-zī), int. Form of greeting by Japanese to their Emperor, cheer used in battle, etc. [Jap., = ten thousand years (of life to you)]

bā³*'obāb*, n. African tree called also Monkey-Bread with enormously thick stem. [mentioned 1592]

bāp, n. (Sc.). Small loaf or roll of bread. [†]

bāp'tism, n. Religious rite of immersing (person) in, or sprinkling with, water in sign of purification & (with Christians) of admission to the Church, generally accompanied by name-giving; (fig.) ~ of blood, martyrdom, ~ of fire, soldier's first battle; naming of church bells & ships. Hence **bāptis'mal** (-z-) a., **bāptis'mally** adv. [ME *bapteme* f. OF *baptisme* f. L f. Gk *baptismos* (*baptizō* BAPTIZE)]

bāp'tist, n. One who baptizes, esp. John the B~; one of a sect (formerly called ANABAPTISTS by opponents) objecting to infant baptism, & practising immersion. [f. OF *baptiste*, f. L *baptista* f. Gk *baptistēs* (*baptizō* BAPTIZE)]

bāp'tist(e)r'y, n. Part of church (or formerly separate building) used for baptism; (in Baptist chapel) immersion receptacle. [f. OF *baptisterie* f. L f. Gk *baptistērion* bathing-place (*baptizō* BAPTIZE)]

bāptize', v.t. Immerse in or sprinkle with water, as sign of purification or initiation, esp. into the Christian Church; christen; (abs.) administer baptism; (fig.) purify, elevate; name or nickname. [f. F *baptiser* f. L *baptizare* f. Gk *baptizō* bathe (*baptō* dip)]

bar¹, n. 1. Long-shaped piece of rigid material (metal, wood, soap, etc.); ~bell, iron ~ with ball at each end used in gymnastics, cf. *dumb-bell*; ~wood, red wood from Gaboon imported in ~s for dyeing etc.). 2. Slip of silver below clasp of medal as additional distinction; band of colour etc. on surface, (Her.) two horizontal parallel lines across shield (~ *sinister*, by mistake for BEND or BATON, supposed sign of illegitimacy). 3. Rod or pole used to confine or obstruct (*window, door, grate, gate*, ~); barrier of any shape (*Temple Bar, toll~; harbour~*, of sand across mouth). 4. (Mus.) vertical line across stave dividing piece into sections of equal time-value, such sections; immaterial barrier; (Law) plea arresting action or claim; moral obstacle. 5. Barrier with some technical significance, as, in lawcourt, place at which prisoner stands; hence ~ of conscience, opinion, etc.; || *trial at ~*, in King's-Bench division; a particular court (*graciate at parliamentary, Chancery*, etc., ~); || *be called to the ~* (i.e. that in Inns of Court separating benchers), *be admitted a barrister*; || *be called within the ~* (i.e. that in courts within which K.C.s plead), *be appointed King's Counsel*; *the ~*, barristers, profession of barrister. 6. || (Parl.) rail dividing off space to which non-members may be admitted on business. 7. (In an inn etc.) counter across which refreshments are handed, space behind or room containing it; || ~man, ~maid, attendants at such counter. [ME & OF *barre* f. LL *barra* etym. dub.]

bar², v.t. (-rr-). Fasten (door etc.) with

bar(s); keep (person) in or out (~ring-out, schoolboy rebellion); obstruct (path etc.); stay (process or party) by legal objection; exclude from consideration (esp. in imperative used as prep., e.g. ~ one in betting); (sl.) object to, dislike, (person, habit, etc.); mark with stripe(s). [ME *barren* f. OF *barrer* (*barre* BAR²)]

bar³, n. Large European sea-fish. [F]

bāralip'ton. See BARBARA.

bārathē'a, n. Fine cloth made from wool (with or without silk or cotton). [F]

bā'rathrūm, n. Pit at Athens into which criminals were thrown; abyss. [L, f. Gk *barathron*]

barb¹, n., & v.t. 1. Beardlike feelers of barbel etc.; chin-piece of nun's head-dress; lateral filament branching from shaft of feather; subordinate recurved point of arrow, fish-hook, etc., (fig.) sting. 2. v.t. Furnish (arrow etc.) with ~; ~ed wire, for fences & esp. as obstruction in war, with wire prickles at intervals. [f. F *barbe* f. L *barba* beard]

barb², n. Breeds of horse & pigeon imported from Barbary. [f. F *barbe* (*Barbarie*)]

barb'ara, first word of the scholastic mnemonic lines for figures & moods of the syllogism (some of these, esp. *barbara, barbara celarent, baralip-ton*, are used exclusively for logic or logical training).

barbār'ian, n. & a. (Foreigner) differing from speaker in language & customs, esp. in hist., (a) non-Greek, (one) outside the Roman Empire, (a) non-Christian; rude, wild, or uncultured (person). [f. F *barbarien* (BARBAROUS, -IAN)]

barbār'ic, a. Rude, rough, like or of barbarians & their art or taste. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. OF *barbaricus* f. L f. Gk *barbarikos* (*barbaros* BARBAROUS, & see -IO)]

barb'arism, n. Mixing of foreign or vulgar expressions in talk or writing; such an expression; absence of culture, ignorance & rudeness; instance of this. [f. F *barbarisme* f. L f. Gk *barbarismos* (*barbarizō* speak like a foreigner f. *barbaros* BARBAROUS, -IZE)]

barbār'it'y, n. Savage cruelty, instance of it; barbaric style or taste, instance of it, (usu. *barbarism*). [f. L *barbarus* BARBAROUS + -TY]

barb'ariz'e, v.t. & i. Make or become barbarous; corrupt (language). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *barbarus* BARBAROUS + -IZE]

barb'arous, a. (Lang.) not Greek, not Greek or Latin, not pure, illiterate; (people) non-Greek, beyond Roman Empire, non-Christian, outlandish; uncivilized; cruel; coarse. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L f. Gk *barbaros* foreign (perh. imit. of gibberish) + -OUS]

Barb'ary āpe, n. Large tailless monkey of N. Africa and Gibraltar. [*Barbary*, old name of N. Africa]

barb'âte, a. (bot., zool.). Having hairy tufts. [f. L *barbatus* bearded (*barba* beard, -ATE²)]

barb'écûe, n. Large wooden or iron framework for smoking or broiling; hog, ox, etc., roasted whole, whence **barb'écûe** v.t.; *large entertainment with whole-roasting; floor for drying coffee-beans. [f. Sp. *barbacoa* f. Haitian *barbacou* crato on posts]

barb'el, n. Large European fresh-water fish with fleshy filaments hanging from mouth; such filament in any fish, whence ~ (1) **ER**³ a. [f. OF *barbel* f. LL *barbellus* dim. of *barbus* barbel (*barba* beard)]

barb'er, n. One who shaves & trims customers' beards & hair (now usu. *hair-dresser*); ~'s *block*, for making & displaying wigs; ~'s *itch*, skin disease said to be communicated in shaving; ~'s *pole*, spirally painted & used as sign. [ME & AF *barbour* f. OF *barbeor* f. L ⁺*barbatorum* (*barba* beard), see -OR²]

barb'er(r)ÿ, **ber'**, n. Shrub with spiny shoots, yellow flowers, & oblong red berries; its berry. [f. med. L *barbaris*, *berberis*, etym. dub.]

barb'êt, n. Bird with bristle-tufts at base of bill. [perh. OF *barbet* adj. = *barbu* bearded]

barb'ette, n. Platform within fort or in ship from which guns fire over parapet etc. without embrasure. [F dim. of *barbe* beard (F *barbette* = also linen up to throat showing above dress)]

barb'ican, n. Outer defence to city or castle, esp. double tower over gate or bridge. [f. F *barbacane* etym. dub.; Arab.-Pers. *bab-khanah* gate-house is suggested]

Barb'izon, n. Village near Fontainebleau; ~ *School*, coterie of French naturalistic painters (19th c.).

barbôl'a, n. (Also ~ *work*) the embellishment of small articles by attachment of coloured models of flowers, fruit, etc. made from a plastic paste. [?]

barb'ûle, n. Filament branching from barb (of feather) as barb from shaft. [f. L *barbula* dim. of *barba* beard]

barc'arôle, -ôlle, n. Song of gondolier; imitation of it. [f. F *barcarolle* f. It. *barcaruola* boat-song (*barca* boat)]

Barcelôn'a, n. Spanish city; ~ (*nud*), hazel-nut imported from Spain.

bard¹, n. Celtic minstrel, (Wales) poet recognized at Eisteddfod, whence ~ **IC** a.; early poet; lyric poet; poet, whence ~ **LING**¹ n. [f. Gael. & Ir. *bard*]

bard², n. Armour for breast & flanks of warhorse. Hence ~ **ER**² a. [f. F *barde* horse-armour perh. = Sp. & Port. *albarda* (f. Arab.?) packsaddle]

bare¹, a. Unclothed, undisguised, uncovered, bald, unfurnished, unprotected, threadbare, unsheathed, ill-provided, empty, unadorned, scanty, mere; ~

back a. & adv., ~ **ed** a., with ~ back, on unsaddled horse; ~ *facéd*, without beard etc., without mask, also undisguised, shameless, or impudent, whence **bare-facédly**² adv., **barefacedness** n.; ~ *foot* a. & adv., ~ *footed* a., without shoes or stockings; ~ *headed*, without hat or cap. Hence **bar'ish**¹(2) a. [OE *bær*; com.-Teut., cf. G & Du. *baar*]

bare², v.t. Uncover, unsheathe, reveal, strip. [f. prec.]

barège¹ (-âzh), n. & a. (Of) silky gauze. [orig. made at Barèges]

barely (**bar'li**), adv. Openly, explicitly; merely; only just; scarcely. [**BAR**¹ + **LY**²]

bare'nèss (-rn-), n. Lack of covering, unadorned state. [**BAR**¹ + **NESS**]

bare'sark (-rs-), n. & adv. Wild Norse warrior; (adv.) without armour. [lit. bare shirt (**SARK**); mod. form embodying supposed etym. of **BERSERKER**]

bar'gain¹ (-gin), n. Agreement on terms of give and take, compact, thing acquired by bargaining (*good, bad, ~*, result cheaply or dearly bought; *a ~*, thing acquired or offered cheap; *Dutch, wet, ~*, closed with drink; *into the ~*, beyond the strict terms, moreover; *strike a ~*, come to terms; *make best of bad ~*, take misfortune etc. cheerfully). [f. OF *bargaine*, -caigne, f. LL ⁺*barcanium* (*barca* see foll.)]

bar'gain² (-gin), v.i. & t. Haggle (with someone, or abs.) over terms of give & take; stipulate with person for thing or to receive, give, etc.; ~ *for*, be prepared for, expect, (usu. with neg. or *more than*); (trans.) ~ *away*, part with for a consideration. Hence ~ **ER**¹ n. [f. OF *bargainer* f. LL *barcaniare* perh. f. *barca* 'barge which carries goods to & fro', giving sense either of 'off & on' or of trading]

barge, n., & v.i. 1. Flat-bottomed freight-boat for canals & rivers, with or without sails; second boat of man-of-war, for use of chief officers; large ornamental oared vessel for state occasions, house-boat (e.g. *College ~*); ~ *pole* (for fending; *would not touch with a ~ pole*, regard with loathing). 2. v.i. (sl.). Lurch or rush heavily *into, against, about*; ~ *in*, intrude. [OF, prob. = **BARK**²]

barge, comb. form in architecture = **gable**. ~ *couple*, two gable beams; ~ *course*, roof projecting beyond them; ~ *board*, ornamental screen to them; ~ *stones*, forming sloping or stepped line of gable. [f. med. L *bargus* gallows]

|| **bargee**¹, n. Man in charge of barge; *swear like a ~*, fluently, forcibly; *lucky ~* (colloq.), lucky fellow. [-ER]

bar'ic, a. Of or containing barium. [**BAR**¹ + **IC**]

barill'a, n. Plant (*Salsola Soda*) in Spain, Sicily, Canaries; impure alkali made by burning either this or kelp. [Sp.]

baritone, var. of BARYTONE in mus. sense.
bār'ium, n. (chem.). White metallic element, basis of alkaline earth baryta. [BARYTA + -IUM]

bār'k¹, n. Outer sheath of tree trunks & branches; tan; quinine (also *Peruvian* or *Jesuits'* ~); (sl.) skin; ~bed, hot-bed of tan; ~bound, hindered in growth by tight ~; ~pit, of ~ & water for tanning; ~tree, E name of cinchona. [f. Scand. bark- f. OTeut. barkuz]

bār'k², v.t. Strip bark from (tree), kill (tree) by ring-cutting bark (also ring-~); abrade (one's knuckles etc.); encrust. [f. prec.]

bār'k³, **barque** (-ār'k), n. Three-masted vessel with fore & main masts square-rigged, mizzen fore-&-aft rigged (usu. *barque*); any ship or boat (poet., usu. *bark*). [f. F 15th-c. *barque* f. Pr., Sp., or It., *barca* f. L *barca* ship's boat perh. f. Celt.]

bār'k⁴, n. Usual cry of dogs, foxes, squirrels; (fig.) sound of gunfire, or of cough; ~ worse than bite, of testy harmless person. [f. foll.]

bār'k⁵, v.i. & t. Utter sharp explosive cry (of dogs & some other animals); speak (& ~ out, say) petulantly, imperiously; ~ at, abuse; ~ up the wrong tree, denounce wrong person etc.; (sl.) cough. [OE *beorcan* cf. ON *berkja*; perh. variant of BREAK]

bār'k'er, n. Noisy assailant; shop or auction or travelling-show tout; (sl.) pistol, cannon. [f. prec.]

bār'l'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Hardy awned cereal used as food & in making malt liquors & spirits; its grain; *pearl* ~, the grain ground small; ~broth, strong ale; ~corn, grain of ~ (*John Barleycorn*, malt liquor personified), its length as measure, $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, top of fore-sight on rifle; ~mow, stack; ~sugar, twisted sweetmeat; ~water, soothing decoction of pearl ~ for invalids. [OE *bærlic*; for *bær*- cf. obs. *bear* barley f. OTeut. *bæriz*; -lic = -ly¹ (as if orig. an adj.)]

***bār'l'ow** (-ō), n. (Also ~ *knife*) large single-bladed pocket-knife. [B~, orig. maker]

bār'm, n. Froth on fermenting malt liquor, yeast, leaven. [OE *beorma*; prob. com.-Teut., cf. G *bärme*]

Bār'm'écide, n. & a. (Giver of benefits that are) illusory, imaginary, disappointing. [name of Arabian-Nights prince whose feast to beggar was rich dish-covers with nothing below]

bār'm'y, a. Full of barm; frothy; (sl., also ~ on the crumple) wrong in the head, cracked. [-y²]

bār'n, n. Covered building for storing grain etc.; (contempt.) unadorned building; ~dance, (orig. U.S.) dance in which partners advance side by side & then dance a schottische step; ~door, lit., &

fig. target too large to be missed, also adj. of fowls=reared at the ~door; ~owl, = White, Church, Screech, Owl; ~stormer, strolling player; ~yard, farmyard. [OE *bere-ern* (*bere* barley + *-ern* place)]

Bār'n'ab'y, n. (Saint) Barnabas; ~bright, St. Barnabas' day, 11th June (longest day in Old Style reckoning). [f. F *Barnabé* = L *Barnabas*]

bār'n'acle¹, n. (Usu. pl.) pincers placed on horse's nose to coerce him into quiet for shoeing etc.; (sl.; pl.) spectacles. [ME *bernak* f. OF *bernac* muzzle, w. dim. ending see -LE]

bār'n'acle², n. 1. Arctic goose visiting Britain in winter (also *bernacl* for distinction from 2). 2. Stalked clirped clinging by fleshy foot-stalk to ship's bottom; follower who cannot be shaken off. [ME *bernekke*, *bername*, = OF *bernaque* etym. dub.; (H) *bernicula* (Irish goose), *perna* (a shellfish), *bare* + *neck*, are suggested; pop. mythol. represented the goose as developed out of the shellfish]

bā'r'ograph (-ahŋ), n. Self-recording aneroid. [f. Gk *baros* weight + -GRAPH(2)]

barol'ogy, n. Science of weight. [as prec. + -LOGY]

barōm'eter, n. Instrument measuring atmospheric pressure used for forecasting weather & ascertaining height above sea-level; common, *siphon*, *wheel*, *aneroid*, ~, various systems; (fig.) ~ of opinion etc. Hence *bāromēt'ric*(AL) aa., *bāromēt'rically*² adv., *barōm'etry* n. [as prec. + -METER]

bā'r'on, n. 1. (hist.). One who held by military or other honourable service from the king or other superior (restricted later to king's ~s, & again to those, *Great Barons*, attending Great Council or summoned to Parliament; hence, peer). 2. (mod.). One of the lowest order of nobility; holder of foreign title (called *Baron* —, not, like English ~, *Lord* —); (orig. U.S.) a great merchant in a (designated) commodity, (*beef* ~; *beer* ~); ~ of beef, double stiroin undivided. [ME & OF *barun* f. LL *baronem* nom. *baro* man (as in *king's man*), freeman, husband, male, perh. f. L *baro* -onis dunce]

bā'r'onage, n. Barons or great vassals of Crown collectively; the nobility; book with list of peers & comments. [ME & OF *barnage* f. LL ²*baronaticum* f. *baro* (prec., -AGE)]

bā'r'oness, n. Baron's wife; lady holding baronial title in her own right. [f. OF *barnesse* see BARON, -ESS¹]

bā'r'onét¹, n. Member of lowest hereditary titled order, commoner with precedence of all knights exc. K.G.s; abbr. *bart*, added to name, as *Sir John Jones, Bart.* [dim. of BARON; see -ET]

bā'r'onét², v.t. Raise to rank of baronet. [f. prec. on anal. of *knicht*]

bá'ronétage, n. Baronets collectively; book with list of them & comments. [-AGE; cf. BARONAGE].

bá'ronétcy, n. Baronet's patent or rank. [-CY]

barón'ial, a. Of, belonging to, befitting, baron(s). [foll. + -AL]

bá'rony, n. Baron's domain, rank, tenure; (Ireland) division of county; (Scotland) large manor. [f. OF *baronie* f. LL *baronia*; see BARON & -Y¹]

baroque' (-ók), a. & n. 1. (Of) certain stylistic tendencies in 17th-18th c. arts. 2. Grotesque, whimsical. [F, f. Port. *barroco*, Sp. *barroco* rough pearl, etym. dub.]

barouche' (-óush), n. Four-wheeled carriage with collapsible half-head, for four occupants & driver. [f. G (dial.) *barutsche* f. It. *baroccio* f. L *birotus* (BI-1 a + *rota* wheel) perh. after *carroccio* chariot]

bá'rqe, n. See BAR³.

barquentine, bark-, (bá'k'entén), n. Vessel with foremast square-rigged, main & mizen fore-&-aft rigged. [f. BAR³ after BRIGANTINE]

bá'rrack, n., & v.t. 1. Permanent building(s) in which soldiers are lodged (usu. pl.); (transf.) building in which others (e.g. children) are similarly herded together; building of severely dull or plain appearance. 2. v.t. Place in ~s; hoot, jeer at, (players in cricket-match etc.). [f. F *baraque* f. It. *baracca* or Sp. *baracca* 'souldier's tent' (1617) etym. dub.]

bá'raccón, n. Set of sheds or enclosure for slaves, convicts, etc. [f. Sp. *barracon* (as prec.; see -oon)]

bá'racad'a (-ód-), -cód't'a, -cút'a (-ót-), n. Large W.-Ind. sea-fish. [? Sp.]

bá'r'age, n. 1. Damming; dam (esp. of those in Nile). 2. (Mil., freq. bá'rahzh) barrier to offensive or defensive action on the part of an enemy usu. in the form of a line, area, or volume into which a large number of guns fire shells either continuously or for pre-arranged periods (*anti-aircraft* ~, barrier of shellfire against hostile aircraft; BALLOON ~; box ~, one laid down usu. on three sides in order to isolate a particular area; *creeping* ~, one laid down in front of & moving with one's own advancing troops); attrib., as ~ BALLOON. [F, f. *barre* BAR¹; see -AGE]

bá'r'rator, -er, n. (legal). Vexatious litigant; malicious raiser of discord. [f. OF *barateor* trickster (*barat* fraud) perh. f. Celtic, cf. OIr. *mrath*. W. *brad*; meaning influenced by ON *bardita*, strife]

bá'r'ratrij, n. (Marine law) fraud or gross negligence of master or crew to prejudice of ship's owners; (Law) vexatious litigation or incitement to it. Hence ~OUS a. [f. OF *baraterie* (*barat* see prec., -ERY)]

barred (bá'd), a. In vbl senses; also [BAR¹] marked with bars, (of harbour) obstructed with sandbar.

bá'rrel¹, n. Flat-ended cylindrical wooden

vessel of hooped staves, cask; varying measure of capacity (~bulk, 5 cub. ft); revolving cylinder in capstan, watch, & other machines; cylindrical body or trunk of an object, belly & loins of horse, etc.; metal tube of gun; *barrel*-, cylindrical or semi-cylindrical, as ~*drain*, ~*vault*; ~*organ*, with pin-studded cylinder turned by handle & mechanism opening the pipes as required. [f. F *baril* perh. f. LL *barra* BAR¹]

bá'rrel², v.t. (-ll-). Put in barrel(s); ~*led*, (also) = *barrel-shaped*. [f. prec.]

bá'rren, a. (-est), & n. Not bearing, or incapable of bearing, children, young, fruit, vegetation, or produce; meagre, unprofitable, dull; (n.) ~ tract of land; ~*wort*, purple-&-yellow-flowered wood plant. Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *baraine* (fem.), *brahain*, *brehaing*, etc., etym. dub.]

bá'rret, n. Flat cap, esp. the biretta. [f. F *barrette* BIRETTA]

bá'rriádé¹, (now rarely) -á'dó, n. Hastily erected rampart across street etc. of barrels, carts, stones, furniture; any barrier, lit. or fig. [f. F *barricade* or Sp. *barricada* (-ADO) f. F *barrique* or Sp. *barrica* cask]

bá'rriádé², (now rarely) -á'dó, v.t. Block (street etc.) with barricade; defend (place or person) with barricade. [f. prec.]

bá'rrier¹, n. Fence barring advance or preventing access; (ancient chariot-races) barred starting-cells; (foreign towns) gate at which customs are collected; (tilting) the lists or enclosing pallsade, also railing parallel to which, but on opposite sides, tilters charged reaching their lances across; any obstacle, boundary, or agency that keeps apart. [ME & AF *barrere* f. OF *barrière* f. LL *barraria* (*barra* BAR²) later assim. to F spelling]

bá'rrier², v.t. Close or shut in with barrier (usu. with *off*, *in*). [f. prec.]

bá'r'ring, prep. Except, not including. [part. of BAR¹]

bá'r'rister, n. Law student called to bar & having right of practising as advocate in superior courts (in full, ~*at-law*); *revising*~, one appointed to revise lists of voters at parliamentary elections. [f. BAR¹ (orig. the bar in Inn of Court, later connected with that in lawcourts); -*ister* (formerly -*ester*, -*aster*) unexplained; perh. f. form *barre* + -STER]

bá'r'row¹ (-ó), n. (In local names) hill; (Archaeol.) grave-mound, tumulus. [OE *beorg*; com. Teut., cf. G *Berg* mountain f. OTeut. *bergos* f. Aryan *bhergh* height]

bá'r'row² (-ó), n. (Also *hand*~) rectangular frame with short shafts used by two or more men for carrying loads on, stretcher, bier; (also *wheel*~) shallow box with shafts & one wheel for similar use by one

man; || (also *coster's* ~) two-wheeled handcart; a ~ful. [ME *bareue* f. OTent. *barud* f. *beran* BEAR¹]

bá'rrōw² (-ō), n. (dial.). Castrated boar. [OE *beary*; com.-Tent., cf. G *barch*]

bá't'er¹, v.t. & i. Exchange (goods or immaterial things) for other goods (occas. away); part with for a (usu. unworthy) consideration (usu. away), whence ~ER¹ n.; trade by exchange. [prob. f. obs. *barat* defraud see BARRATOR + -ER¹]

bá't'er², n. Traffic by exchange, truck, (also fig., e.g. of talk); (Arith.) reckoning of quantity of one commodity to be given for another, values being known. [f. prec.]

bá'tizān¹, n. Battlemented parapet, or overhanging battlemented corner turret, at top of church tower or castle. [mod. form (Scott) prob. f. *bertisene* illit. spelling of *bratticing* see BRATTICE]

bá't'on, n. Farmyard; farm not let with rest of manor, but retained by owner. [OE *bere-tūn* (*bere* barley + *tūn* enclosure see TOWN)]

Bá't's, n. St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London. [abbr.]

barýt'[a], n. Protoxide of barium, alkaline earth of great weight. Hence ~IO a., ~O- comb. form. [f. foll.]

barýt'es (-z), n. Native sulphate of barium, called also *heavy spar*, used as white paint. [f. Gk *barus* heavy, or perh. mere transit. of *barutis* weight, with pronoun. assim. to mineral names in -ITES]

bá'rytōne, n. & a. (Voice, singer with voice, music suited to voice) between tenor & bass; euphonium or saxhorn in B flat or C; (Gk gr.) (word) with grave or no accent on last syllable. [f. F *baryton* or It. *baritono* f. (gram. meaning direct f.) Gk *barutonos* (*barus* heavy + *tonos* TONE)]

bás'al, a. Of, at, or forming, the base; fundamental. [f. BASE¹ + -AL]

basalt (bás'awit, basawit'), n. Dark green or brown igneous rock often in columnar strata, whence *basal'tic*, *basal'tiform*, (-sawit'), aa.; black porcelain invented by Wedgwood. [f. L *basaltis* f. an African word]

bás'an (-z), **báz'an**, n. Sheepskin tanned in oak or larch bark (also *basil*). [f. F *basane* f. Pr. *basana* f. Sp. *badana* f. Arab. *bīḡanah* lining]

bas bleu (see Ap.), n. Bluestocking. [F] **bás'cūle**, n. Lever apparatus used in ~bridge, kind of drawbridge raised & lowered with counterpoise. [F, formerly *bacule* see-saw (*battre* bump or *bas* down + *cūl* buttocks)]

base¹, n. 1. That on which anything stands or depends, support, bottom, foundation, principle, groundwork, starting-point (~ball, U.S. national game, more elaborate rounders, also ball used in it). 2. (Archit.) part of column between

shaft & pedestal or pavement. 3. (Bot. & Zool.) end at which an organ is attached to trunk. 4. (Geom.) line or surface on which plane or solid figure is held to stand. 5. (Chem.) correlative of ACID, substance capable of combining with an acid to form a salt (including, but wider than, ALKALI). 6. (Mil.) town or other area in rear of an army where drafts, stores, hospitals, etc., are concentrated (also ~ of operations). 7. (Surv.) known line used as geometrical ~ for trigonometry. 8. (Math.) starting-number for system of numeration or logarithms (as 10 in decimal counting). [F, f. L f. Gk *basis* (*bainō* step, stand)]

bāse², v.t. Found (something) on; establish (with adv., as *firmly*); ~ oneself on, rely upon (in argument etc.). [f. prec.]

bāse³, a. (Orig.) of small height (now only in plant names as ~rocket); morally low, cowardly, selfish, mean, despicable, whence ~LY¹ (-sl-) adv.; mental; || (Law) ~tenure, estate, fee, not absolute, but determinable on fulfilment of contingent qualification; (Lang.) not classical (~Latinity); ~born, of low birth, illegitimate; ~court, outer court of castle or court behind farmhouse; ~metals, opposed to precious; ~coin, spurious, alloyed. Hence ~NESS (-sn-) n. [f. F *bas* f. LL *basus* short (in L as cognomen) etym. dub.]

bāse'lēss (-al), a. Groundless, unfounded. Hence ~NESS n. [BASE¹ -LESS]

bāse'ment (-sm-), n. Lowest or fundamental part of structure; inhabited storey sunk below ground level. [BASE n. or v. + -MENT]

bāsh, v.t. Strike heavily so as to smash in (often *in*). [perh. imit. cf. *bang*, *smash*; or -Sw. *basa* flog, Da. *baske* cudgel]

bashaw¹, n. Earlier form of PASHA.

bāsh'ful, a. Shy; shamefaced, sheepish. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. obs. *bash* vb for ABASH + -FUL]

bāshi-bazouk¹ (-ōbk), n. Mercenary of Turkish irregulars, notorious for pillage & brutality. Hence ~ERY (4, 5) n. [mod. Turk., lit. brain-turned]

bāsi¹, stem of many adj. In Physiol. Of, at, forming, the base of. [BASE¹, BASE]

bās'ic, a. Of, at, forming, base; fundamental; (Chem.) having the properties of or containing a base; (Min.) slightly silicated (igneous rock); prepared by non-siliceous process (steel); B~ English, select vocabulary of 850 words; ~slag, fertilizer containing phosphates produced as by-products in the ~ process of steel manufacture. [BASE¹ + -IC]

basil'city, n. An acid's relative power of combining with bases. [prec. + -TY]

bās'il¹ (-z), n. Kinds of aromatic herb, esp. *Common* or *Sweet B.* or *Bush* or *Lesser B.*, both culinary. [f. OF *basile* f. L *basilius* (*basilius* BASILISK), the Gk

name *basilicon* (=royal) being misinterpreted as antidote for basilisk's venom] **bas'il**¹ (-z-), n. Corruption of BASAN.

bas'ilic, a. (Of vein) starting from elbow & discharging into axillary vein. [f. F *basiliq* f. L f. Gk *basilikos* royal (as formerly thought of special importance)]

bas'ilica, n. (Orig.) royal palace; hence, oblong hall with double colonnade & apse used for lawcourt & assemblies; such a building used as Christian church; (in Rome) one of the seven churches founded by Constantine. [L, f. Gk *basilikē* (*oikia*, *stoa*) royal (house, portico) f. *basileus* king, -io]

bas'ilicon, -um, n. Kinds of ointment. [-on Gk, -um L, f. Gk *basilikos* as in prec.; so called as a 'sovereign' remedy]

bas'ilisk (-z-), n. Fabulous reptile (also *cockatrice*) hatched by serpent from cock's egg, blasting by its breath or look; (fig.) ~glance etc., evil eye, person or thing that blasts (reputation etc.); (Zool.) small American lizard with hollow crest inflated at will. [f. L f. Gk *basilikos* kinglet, serpent, golden-crested wren]

bas'in, n. Hollow round metal or pottery vessel, less deep than wide, & contracting downwards, for holding water etc., bowl; hollow depression; dock with flood-gates; land-locked harbour; tract of country drained by river & tributaries; circular or oval valley; (Geol.) formation with strata dipping towards centre, the deposit (e.g. coal) contained in this. Hence ~FUL (2) n. [ME & OF *bacin* (F *bassin*) f. LL *bacinus* perh. for *baccinus* (*bacca* water-vessel)]

bas'inet, **bas'nét**, n. Light steel head-piece. [f. OF *bacinet* dim. of *bacin* BASIN]

bas'is, n. (pl. *bâtes*). = BASE¹ (chiefly in fig. senses); main ingredient, foundation, beginning, determining principle; common ground for negotiation etc.; military base. [L = BASE¹]

bask (bah-), v.l. Revel in warmth & light (usu. in the sun, firelight, etc.); ~ing-shark, largest species of shark (also *Sun-fish* & *Sailfish*). [prob. f. ON *balhask* (cf. or = other) refl. of *balha* BATH¹]

bas'ket¹ (bah-), n. Wicker vessel of osiers, cane, rushes, etc.; the quantity contained in it (also ~ful); wicker singletok hand-guard; *pick of the* ~, best of the lot; ~ball, game played with large inflated ball, a goal being scored when it is thrown into a ~ fixed 10 ft above ground at opponents' end; *basket-*, of ~ shape as ~kilt, of ~ material or fashion as ~carriage, ~work. Hence ~RY(5) n. [etym. dub.; *bascuda* is mentioned by Martial as a British utensil]

bas'ket² (bah-), v.t. Put in a basket, waste-paper or other. [f. prec.]

bas'on¹, n. = BASIN.

bas'on², n., & v.t. Bench for felting hat material; (vb) felt. [perh. = BASIN]

basque (bahsk), n. & a. 1. Biscayan, (native or language) of Western Pyrenees (B~). 2. Short continuation of bodice below waist; bodice having this. [F, f. LL *Vasco-onis*; whether 2 is from 1 is not known]

bâs-rélief', **bâss-**, n. (Piece of) shallow carving or sculpture on background (less than half the true depth). [f. F *bas-relief* f. It. *basso-rilievo* low RELIEF²; see BASE³]

bâss¹, n. Common Perch; *Black B-*, Perch of Lake Huron; European sea-fish (also *Sea-wolf* and *Sea-dace*). [earlier *basse* f. OE *bærs*; com.-Teut. f. root *bars*-bristle]

bâss², n. Inner bark of lime, used for mats, hassocks, & baskets, & for tying plants, flowers, etc.; ~broom, coarse fibre broom for rough work; ~wood, Amer. lime, its wood. [corruption of BAST]

bâss³, a. & n. Deep-sounding; (of, suited to) lowest part in harmonized music; (man with) ~ voice; *thorough-*~, *figured* ~, ~ part with shorthand indications below of the proper harmony, hence theory of harmony; ~viol, *viola da gamba* or violoncello. [ME has *base* see BASE²; now *bass* after It. *basso*]

Bâss⁴, n. ~s beer, bottle of this (a small ~). [*Bass*, brewer; P]

bâss'ét¹, n. Short-legged badger-dog. [F, dim. of *bas basse* low; see BASE³]

bâss'ét², n. Obsolete card-game. [f. It. *bassetta* f. *bassetto* dim. of *basso* BASE³]

bâss'ét³, n., & v.l. (geol.). Edge of stratum cropping out; (vb) crop out. [f]

bâss'ét-hörn, n. Tenor clarinet. [transl. of F *cor de basset* f. It. *bassetto* see BASSET²]

bâssinét¹, n. Hooded wicker cradle or perambulator. [F, dim. of *bassin* BASIN]

bâss'o, n. = BASE³ (second and third senses); ~ *profundo* (or ~on-), (singer with) specially deep bass voice. [It., = (deep) bass]

bassoon¹, n. Wooden double-reed instrument used as bass to oboe; organ & harmonium stop of similar quality. Hence ~IST(3) n. [f. F *basson* (*bas* BASE³ + ~on see ~oon, or *bas son* deep sound)]

bâss'o-réliev'³ (-lyä-), n. (pl. -os). = BAS-RELIEF. [It.]

bâst, n. Inner bark of lime (see BASE³); other flexible fibrous barks. [OE *bæst*; com.-Teut., etym. dub.]

bâs'tard, n. & a. (Child) born out of wedlock or of adultery, illegitimate; (of things) unauthorized, hybrid, counterfeit; ~ *file* (with serrations of medium coarseness); ~ *slip*, sucker of tree (also fig., = *bastard* n.); (Bot.) nearly resembling another species (~ *BALM*); (Zool.) ~ *wing*, rudimentary extra digit with quill-feathers. [OF, f. *bast* (BAT-) pack-saddle (used as bed by muleteer) + ~ARD; cf. BANTLING]

bás'tardiz[e], v.t. Declare illegitimate.

Hence ~A'TION n. [prec. + -IZE]

bás'tardý, n. Illegitimacy; ~ order, for support of illegitimate child by putative father. [f. AF & OF *bastardie*; see BASTARD, -Y¹]

bäste¹, v.t. Stitch together, tack, (as prelim. to regular sewing). [f. OF *bastir* (now *bâtir*) perh. f. LL *bastire* construct, build; but cf. also BAST]

bäste², v.t. Moisten (roasting meat) with fat to prevent burning; pour melted wax etc. on (wicks in candlemaking). [?]

bäste³, v.t. Thrash, cudgel. [perh. = Sw. *basa* flog (*basit*, *basle*, *baist*, as past or p.p. in early exx.; cf. HOIST¹, ²); or fig. use of prec. (cf. 'dry basting' Shakspeare)]

bástille (-ôl), n. Fortress; Paris prison-fortress destroyed 1789; prison. [F, f. LL *bastilia* pl. of *bastile* f. *bastire* build]

bástinād'ô, n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. (Punish with) caning on soles of feet. [f. Sp. *bastonada* (*baston* stick) see -ADO²]

bás'tion, n. Projecting part of fortification, irregular pentagon with its base in the line (or at an angle) of the main works. Hence ~ED³ (-nd) a. [F, f. It. *bastione* f. LL *bastire* build perh. f. same root as *baston* BASTON]

bât¹, n. Nocturnal mouse-like quadruped with fingers extended as frame of membranous wings; *have ~s in the belfry*, be crazy or eccentric; *bât-*, often = purblind. [f. 1575, displacing ME *bakke* f. Scand.]

bât², n., & v.t. & t. 1. Implement for striking ball in cricket, baseball, etc. (*off one's own ~*, in cricket, also fig., unaided; *carry one's ~*, be not out at end of innings); ~sman (*a good etc. ~*); ~s'man (-an), performer with cricket etc. ~, also one who signals with ~s in his hands to guide aircraft landing on ship's deck. 2. vb. (-tt-). Use ~, have innings; strike (as) with ~. [f. OF *batte* club (*battre* strike, see ABATE)]

bât³, n. (sl.). Pace of stroke or step (*went off at a rare ~*). [?]

bât⁴ (bāht), n. (Anglo-Ind., colloq.). The ~, spoken language (orig. of India, now extended); *sling the ~* (Army sl.), speak the lingo (in this use freq. pron. bāt). [Hind., = speech, word]

bât⁵, v.t. (U.S. & dial.). To wink (*never ~ed an eyelid*, did not sleep a wink). [var. of obs. *bate* to flutter]

bât-, **bât-** (bāh, bāht), comb. form. For officers' baggage on campaign; ~horse (for carrying baggage); **bât'man**, (orig.) one who looked after a baggage animal, || (now esp.) an officer's servant generally; ~pay, baggage allowance. [f. F *bât* packsaddle f. OF *bast* = LL *bastum* perh. f. Gk *bastasô* lift]

batat'a (-aht), n. W.-Indian plant, Sweet or Spanish potato. [Sp. & Port. f. native American]

Batāv'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of ancient

Batavia (between Rhine & Waal) or of modern Holland, Dutch(man); of, inhabitant of, Batavia in Java. [f. L *Batavia* (*Batavi* pl.)]

bâtch, n. Loaves produced at one baking; quantity or number of anything coming at once or treated as a set. [ME *bach* (*bacan* BAKE) cf. *waik* watch]

bâte¹, v.t. & i. Let down (~ hope etc.), restrain (~d breath); deduct (part of; usu. with neg., esp. *not ~ a jot of*); fall off in force. [for ABATE]

bâte², n., & v.t. Alkaline lye for suppling hides; (vb) steep in this. [= Sw. *bata* to tan, G *beize* maceration f. *beizen* cause to bite BAIT¹]

|| **bâte³**, **bait³**, n. (sl.). Rage (*was in an awful ~*). [perh. = obs. *bate* var. of *debate*; or f. BAIT¹ = state of baited person]

bath¹ (bahth; pl. pron. -dhz), Bath, n. 1. Washing; immersion in liquid, air, etc. (*air ~*, sun ~, exposure of naked body to air, sun; *mud ~*, of mud for rheumatism; ~ of blood, carnage); water etc. for bathing, wash, lotion, surrounding medium; vessel (*sitz ~*), like HIP ~ but with broad flat bottom [G *sitzbad* sitting bath]; *sponge ~*, esp. of broad flat saucer shape to facilitate sponging), room (also ~room), or building, for bathing in (see TURKISH); town resorted to for medical bathing. 2. Order of knighthood (B~; for C.B., K.C.B., G.C.B., see abbreviations) named from the ~ preceding installation. 3. Town in Somerset named from hot springs (B~ *bun*; B~ *Oliver*, biscuit invented by Dr. W. Oliver of B~, d. 1764; B~ *brick*, preparation for cleaning metal; || B~ *chair*, wheeled for invalid; || B~ *chair*); B~ *stone*, oolite building-stone. [OE *bath*; com.-Teut., cf. G *bad* f. OTeut. *bathom* perh. f. *bajo* foment cf. L *fovere* keep warm]

bath² (-ah- or -ā- in all parts), v.t. Subject to washing in bath (child or invalid, of nurse etc.). [f. prec.]

bāth'e¹ (-dh), v.t. & i. Immerse (in liquid, air, light, etc.); (of person or river, liquid, etc.) moisten all over; (of sunlight etc.) envelop; take a bath or bathe, so ~ing-costume, || -drawers; ~ing-machine, wheeled dressing-box drawn into sea for ~ing from. [OE *bathian* (-dh); com.-Teut., cf. G *baden*; for *bathe* (-dh), *bathe*, cf. *graze*, *grass*]

bāthe² (-dh), **bāth'er** (-dh-), nn. Taking, taker, of a bath, esp. in sea, river, swimming-bath. [f. prec. in intr. sense]

bathēt'ic, a. Marked by bathos. [irreg. f. Gk BATHOS on false anal. of *pathetic* (f. *pathēos*, not *pathos*)]

bathōm'eter, n. Spring balance used in ascertaining depth of water. [f. Gk *bathos* depth + -METER]

Bathōn'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Bath. [mod. L *Bathonia* Bath, -AN]

bāth'ōs, n. Fall from sublime to ridiculous;

antidilimax; performance absurdly below occasion. [Gk. = depth]

bathýb'ius, n. Slimy gelatinous substance dredged from great ocean depths (once believed to be protoplasmic, now known to be inorganic). [f. Gk *bathus* deep + *bios* life]

bathýmétr-, stem of scientific words. Of depth-measurement. [f. Gk *bathus* (translit. -us) deep + *-METER*]

báth'y'sphère, n. Large strong submersible sphere for deep-sea observation. [f. Gk *bathus* deep + *SPHERE*]

bát'ik, n. Method (orig. Javan) of printing coloured designs on textiles by waxing parts not to be dyed. [Javanese 'mbatik drawing]

bát'ing, prep. Except. [part. of BATE¹]

batiste' (-éet), n. & a. (Of) fine light fabric like cambric in texture. [F, f. *Baptiste* of Cambrail, first maker]

bát'on, n., & v.t. Staff of office, esp. *Marshal's* ~; constable's truncheon (vb, strike with this); (Her.) truncheon in shield (~ *sinister*, badge of bastardy); (Mus.) conductor's wand for beating time. [f. F *baton* f. OF *baston* etym. dub.]

batrá'chian (-k), a. & n. Of frogs; (one) of the *Batrachia*, or animals that discard gills & tail. [f. Gk *batrakheios* (*batrakhos* frog) + *-AN*]

bätt'a, n. (Anglo-Ind.). (Orig.) subsistence allowance; (now) any extra allowance to officers or soldiers, esp. in the field. [etym. dub.; perh. f. Hind. *bāṭ* advance without interest]

battál'ion (-yon), n. Large body of men in battle array (*God is for the big ~s*, force prevails); unit of infantry composed of several companies & forming part of regiment or brigade. [f. F *bataillon* (now *bata*) f. It. *battaglione* f. *battaglia* BATTLE¹]

|| **bätt'eis**, n. pl. College account at Oxford for board & provisions supplied, or for all college expenses. [perh. f. obs. vb *batlle* fatten f. obs. adj. *batlle* nutritious cf. BATTEN⁴]

bätt'em', n. Board (6 ft or more long, 7 in. x 2½ or less broad & thick) used for flooring; bar of wood used for clamping boards of door etc.; strip of wood carrying electric lamps; (Naut.) strip of wood nailed on spar to save rubbing, or securing hatchway tarpaulin. Hence ~*ING* (6) n. [var. of BATON]

bätt'en', v.t. Strengthen with battens; (Naut.) ~ *down*, close the hatches (see BATTEN⁵). [f. prec.]

bätt'en', n. Bar in silk-loom striking in the web. [f. F *battant* (*battre* strike, -ANT)]

bätt'en', v.i. Feed gluttonously on, revel in, (often implying morbid taste); grow fat. [perh. f. ON *bátta* get better (*bati* advantage cf. BOOR²)]

bätt'er', v.t. & i. Strike repeatedly so as to bruise or break (person, thing, or abs.; also with adv. *about*, *down*, *in*; & intr.,

~ *at the door*); operate against (walls etc.) with artillery; (fig.) handle severely (theories, persons); beat out of shape, indent; (Printing) deface (type) by use; ~*ing-charge*, full charge of powder for cannon; ~*ing-ram*, swinging beam anciently used for breaching walls, sometimes with ram's-head end; ~*ing-train*, set of siege guns. [f. obs. vb *batt*, cf. OF *batre*, + *-ER*¹]

bätt'er', n. Mixture of ingredients beaten up with liquid for cooking; defect in printing-type or stereotype plate. [f. prec.]

bätt'er', v.i., & n. (Have) receding slope from ground upwards (of walls narrower at top). [perh. F *abattre* depress]

bätt'er'y, n. (Law) infliction of blows, or of the least menacing touch to clothes or person (esp. in phr. *assault & ~*); (Mil.) emplacement for one or more guns, artillery unit of guns & men & vehicles or horses consisting usu. of two sections & forming subdivision of regiment, (fig.) *turn a man's ~ against himself* (in argument); (in various sciences & arts) set of similar or connected cells, instruments, or utensils (electric, galvanic, optical, cooking); hammered brass or copper vessels. [f. F *batterie* (*battre* strike, & see -ERY)]

bätt'ing, n. In vbl senses; also, cotton fibre prepared in sheets for quilts etc. [BAT³ + *-ING*¹]

bätt'le', n. Combat, esp. between large organized forces (*general's ~*, decided by strategy or tactics, *soldier's ~*, by courage; *pitched ~*, one fought by common consent; ~ *royal*, in which several combatants or all available forces engage, free fight); victory (*the ~ is to the strong, youth is half the ~*); *join, give, refuse, accept, offer, do, ~*; ~*aze*, medieval weapon; ~*cruiser*, heavy-gunned ship of higher speed & lighter armour than ~-ship; ~ *dress*, soldier's etc. uniform of belted blouse & trousers; ~*piece*, picture or literary description of a ~-scene; *line of ~*, troops or ships drawn up to fight; *line-of-~ ship*, (obs.) of 74 or more guns; ~-*ship* (mod.), most heavily armed and armoured warship, designed to meet the most powerful ships in ~. [ME *batayle* f. OF *bataille* f. LL *batuakia* neut. pl. of adj. *batualis* f. *batuere* beat]

bätt'le', v.i. Struggle with or against (difficulties, the waves, etc.). [f. F *batailler* (*bataille* = prec.)]

bätt'ledöre (-teld-), n. Wooden instrument like canoe paddle used in washing, baking, etc.; wooden, stringed, or parchment bat used with shuttlecock in the game ~ & *shuttle-cock*. [from 1440; perh. f. Pr. *batedor* beater (*batre* beat + *-dor* = -TOR)]

bätt'lement (-tel-), n. (usu. in pl.). Indented parapet (raised parts, *cops* or

merlons; gaps, *embrasures* or *crenelles*); parapet & enclosed roof. Hence ~ED^a a. [f. OF *batailles* temporary wooden turrets, *batailler* provide with these; etym. dub.; the F vb was later identified with *bastillier* cf. *BASTILLE*]

battue (see Ap.), n. Driving of game by beaters to the sportsmen's station; shooting party on this plan; wholesale slaughter. [F]

bätt'y, a. (sl.). Crazy. [f. BAT¹ + -Y²]

bau'ble, n. Showy trinket; court fool's emblem, a stick with ass-eared head carved on it; trifle, toy, thing of no worth. [f. OF *babel* child's toy, & perh. also partly f. ME *babyll* & vb *bablyn* flicker perh. f. BOB²]

baulk. See *BALK*.

baux'ite, n. (min.). Earthy compound containing varying proportions of alumina, the chief commercial source of aluminium. [f. *Baux* in France + -ITE²(2)]

baw'bee, n. (Sc.). Halfpenny. [?]

bawd, n. Procurer; obscene talk. [?]

bawd'y, a. & n. Obscene (talk); ~y-house, brothel. Hence ~NESS n. [f. prec.]

bawl, v.t. & i. Say, speak, in a noisy way (often with *out*, also with *at*, *against*, etc.). [f. med. L *baulare* bark]

|| **bawl'ey**, n. (dial.). Fishing smack peculiar to Essex and Kentish coasts. [?]

bawn, n. Court of a castle; cattlefold. [f. Ir. *bábhun* etym. dub.]

bay¹, n. Kind of tree or shrub; (pl.) wreath of its leaves worn by conquerors or poets, heroic or poetic fame; ~berry, a West Indian tree (*Pimenta acris*); ~rum, a perfume distilled from bayberry leaves. [f. OF *baie* f. L *baca* berry]

bay², n. Part of sea filling wide-mouthed opening of land; recess in mountain range; *Bay State*, Massachusetts. [f. F *baie* f. LL *bata* perh. associated with, but not from, *badata* in foll.]

bay³, n. Division of wall between columns or buttresses; recess (*horse*~, stall; *sick*~, part of main deck used as hospital); space added to room by advancing window from wall line (~ *window*, filling such space); (Mil.), passing-place in a trench; || railway platform having a cul-de-sac & acting as starting-point or terminus for a side-line, the cul-de-sac of such a platform, (~ *line*, side-line starting from this). [f. F *baie* OF *bace* (=L *badata*) f. *bayer* OF *baer*, *béer*, gape]

bay⁴, n. Bark of large dog, of hounds in pursuit, esp. the chorus raised as they draw close; (in phrr. lit. of hounds & quarry, fig. of persecutors & victim, applied to the hunted animal) *stand or be at, turn to, hold hounds* etc. *at*, ~, show fight; (applied to hounds) *hold or have at, bring or drive to*, ~, come to close quarters with (quarry). [mixture of (1) OF *tentr* a bay = It. *tenere* a *badà* hold apace or in suspense (see *badata* in prec.) & (2) F *dire*

aux abois be at (close quarters with) the barking (OF *abais*)]

bay⁵, v.i. & t. (Of large dogs) bark; bark at, esp. ~ the moon. [OF *bayer* (mod. *aboyer*) bark perh. f. LL *badare* gape]

bay⁶, a. & n. Reddish-brown (horse). [f. F *bai* f. L *badius*]

bayadère (-dâr), n. Hindu dancing-girl (esp. one attached to a S.-Indian temple); striped textile fabric. [F, f. Port. *bailadeira* ballet-dancer]

Bay'ard, n. Chivalrous person. [French hero, 'chevalier sans peur et sans reproche', 1475-1524]

bay'onét¹, n. Stabbing blade attachable to rifle-muzzle; the ~, or ~s, military force; (with prefixed number) so many infantry (cf. *SABRE*); ~-catch, securing of cylindrical part in place by a turn as with the triangular ~; *Spanish* ~, a plant, species of *Yucca*. [perh. f. *Bayonne* as made or first used there]

bay'onét², v.t. Stab with bayonet; ~ into, coerce by military force (or fig. by pressure) into. [f. prec.]

bayou (bi'û), n. Marshy offshoot of river in southern N. America. [f. F *boyau* gut f. L *botulus* sausage]

bay-salt (sawlt), n. Salt in large crystals obtained by evaporation. [perh. = sea salt f. *BAY³*]

bazaar (-zâ), n. Oriental market; fancy fair in imitation of this, esp. sale of goods for charities. [f. Pers. *bazar* prob. through Turk. & It.]

bdëll'ium (d-), n. Balsam-bearing tree; its resin. [L, f. Gk *bdellion* transl. of Heb. *b'dolakh* of uncertain meaning (carbuncle or crystal or pearl)]

be (bê, bi), v. substantive, copulative, & auxiliary (pres. ind.: *am*, pr. 3m, *am*; art arch., pr. 3rt, *art*; *is*, pr. 1z; pl. *are*, pr. 3r, *ar*, & *be* arch.; past ind.: 1 & 3 *was*, pr. wôz, *woz*; 2 *wast* arch., pr. wôst, *wost*; pl. *were*, pr. wâr, *wer*; pres. subj. *be*; past subj. *were*, exc. 2 sing. *wert* arch., pr. wâr, *wert*; imperat. *be*; part. *being*, pr. bē'ing; p.p. *been*, pr. bēn, *bin*; colloq. clipped forms 'm=*am*, 's=*is*, 're=*are*. *Ien't*, *wasn't*, *aren't* pl., *weren't*, *are* legitimate in actual or printed talk; *ain't*, *an't*, for *am* not, *are* sometimes held vulgar; *ain't* for *is* not, *are* not, is wrong). 1. vb subst. Exist, occur, live, (often with *there*; *God is, there is a God; for the time being*, temporarily; *to be or not to be*, see *Haml.* III. i. 56—often joc. in trivial applications); remain, continue, (*let it be, do not be long*); (with adv. or adv. phrr.) occupy such a position, experience such a condition, have gone to such a place, busy oneself so, hold such a view, be bound for such a place, (*is in the garden, has been to Rome, be off, how is he?*, *what are you at?*, *I am for tariff reform, for London*); *been* colloq., called here, paid a visit, (*has anyone been?*, *has not been for*

orders); *been* and, colloq. expletive of protest or surprise (*you have been & moved my papers*!); (with dat.) *befall* (*woe is me*). 2. vb cop. (With nouns, adj., or adj. phrr.) belong under such a description (*I am a man, sick, of good courage*); coincide in identity with, amount to, cost, signify, (*thou art the man, twice two is four, it is nothing to me, what are these pearls*?). 3. vb aux. With p.p. of trans. vbs forming passives (*this was done*); with p.p. of some intr. vbs, as *fall*, *come*, *grow*, forming perfects (*the sun is set, Babylon is fallen*); with pres. part. act. forming continuous tenses act. & pass. (*he is building a house, the house was building*); with pres. part. pass. forming continuous tenses pass. (*the house was being built*); with infin. expressing duty, intention, possibility, (*I am to inform you, he is to be there, the house is to let, he is to be hanged, it was not to be found*); were with infin. in hypotheses (*if I were, or were I, to tell you*). 4. Parts used as adj., adv., nouns: *may-be*, perhaps, a possibility; *the to-be*, the future; *might-have-beens*, past possibilities; *would-be*, that yearns, or fancies himself, to be; *be-all*, whole being, essence. [f. three vbs (1) *Aryan es-*, Gk, L, & OTout. *es-*, Skr. *as-*, to be; (2) OTout. *wes-*, Skr. *vas-*, remain; (3) Skr. *bhu-*, Gk *phu-*, L *fu-*, OTout. *beo-*, become. From (1) come *am* (cf. Gk *esmí*), *art* (cf. ON *est*, later *ert*), *is*, *are* (cf. ON *erum*, L *sumus*, Gk *esmes*); from (2) come *was*, *wast*, *wert*, *were*; from (3) come *be*, *being*, *been*].

be- (bi-), pref. f. OE *be-*, weak form of prep. & adv. *bi* BY, accented form of which appears in *by-law*, *by-word*, *bygone*, etc. The orig. meaning is *about*, which is variously developed as in *before* (about the front), *bespatter* (spatter all about), *bespeak* (speak about, making vbs trans.), *bedevil* (say *devil* about), *benight* (bring night about), *behead* (take the head from about), *bejewel* (put jewels about). As new vbs are constantly formed, & only the well-established or peculiar ones can be given, the chief varieties are here numbered for reference. 1. Adding notion of all over, all round, to trans. vb, as *beset*, *besmear*. 2. Adding notion of thoroughness, excess, to trans. vb, as *bedrug*, *besorch*. 3. Making intr. vbs trans., as *bemoan*, *bestraddle*. 4. Forming trans. vbs = to make from adj. & nouns, as *besoul*, *bedim*, *bebishop*. 5. Making trans. vbs = to call so & so from nouns, as *bedevil*, *bemadam*. 6. Making trans. vbs = to surround with, to affect with, to treat in the manner of, from nouns, as *becloud*, *beguile*, *befriend*. 7. Making adj., in -ED¹, from nouns, as *bedragged*, *bedragged*, (usu. with some contempt).

beach¹, n. Water-worn pebbles or sand;

sea-shore covered with these; shore between high & low water mark; ~comber, white man in Pacific Islands etc. who lives by collecting jetsam, longshore vagrant; ~head, fortified position established on ~ by landing forces [after *bridge-head*]; ~master, officer superintending disembarkation of troops; ~rest, chair-back for sitting against on ~. [f.]

beach², v.t. Run (ship, boat) ashore, haul up. [f. prec.]

|| **beach-la-már'** (-lah-), n. Jargon English used in Western Pacific. [corrupt. f. Port. *bicho do mar* BÊCHE-DE-MÊR]

beac'on¹, n. Signal, signal-fire on pole or hill; signal station; conspicuous hill (in names); lighthouse; guide or warning; BELISHA ~. [OE *béacn* f. OTout. *bauknom* cf. BECKON]

beac'on², v.t. Give light to, guide; supply (district) with beacons. [f. prec.]

bead¹, n. 1. (Orig.) prayer. 2. Small perforated ball for threading with others on string, used in counting one's prayers (*tell one's ~s*); the same used for ornament; drop of liquid, bubble; small knob in foresight of gun (*draw a ~ on*, take aim at); (Archit.) moulding like a bead series, or small one of semicircular section; ~roll, list of names, long series, (orig. of persons to be prayed for); ~s'man, pensioner bound to pray for benefactor, almsman. [ME *bede* f. OE *gebed* (or ¹*bedu*) prayer, see BID¹]

bead², v.t. & i. Furnish with beads; string together; form or grow into beads. [f. prec.]

bead'ing, n. In vbl senses; also, a bead moulding. [BEAD¹; see -ING¹]

|| **bea'dle**, n. Apparitor of trades guild or company; parish officer appointed by vestry. Hence ~SHIP (-dels-) n. [OE *bydel* f. OTout. *budiloz* f. *biudan* announce]

bea'dledom (-deld-), n. Stupid officiousness. [-DOM]

bead'y, a. (Of eyes) small & bright; covered with beads or drops. [BEAD¹]

bea'gle, n. The smallest English hound, used for hare hunting when field follows on foot; spy etc.; *beagling*, hunting with ~s. [perh. f. F. *hé-gueule* open throat (*béer* gape)]

beak¹, n. Bird's bill (esp. in birds of prey, & when strong & hooked); similar mandible-end of other animals, as turtle; hooked nose; projection at prow of ancient warship; spout. Hence ~ED² (-kt) a. [f. F *bec* f. LL *beccus* of Gaulish origin]

|| **beak**², n. (sl.). Magistrate; schoolmaster. [f.]

beak'er, n. Large drinking-cup; lipped glass vessel for scientific experiments. [ME *biker* cf. G *becher* perh. f. med. L *bicarium* perh. f. Gk *bikos*]

beam¹, n. Long piece of squared timber supported at both ends; cylinder in loom on which warp, cloth, is wound; chief timber of plough; bar of balance (*kick the ~*, prove the lighter, be defeated); shank of anchor; lever in engine connecting piston-rod & crank; (pl.) horizontal cross-timbers of ship supporting deck & joining sides (*starboard, port, ~*, right & left sides, as *land on port ~* etc.); = ship's breadth (*on her ~-ends*, on her side, almost capsizing, in danger, at a loss); ray or pencil of light, or of electric radiation (*~ system*, wireless telegraphy in which transmission in a particular direction is achieved by reflecting a short-wave ~ from a parabolic arrangement of wires charged with static electricity); radiance, bright look, smile. [OE *bēam* tree; com.-Teut., cf. G *baum*, Du. *boom*, tree, & perh. Gk *phū-*, Skr. *bhu-*, grow]

beam², v.t. & i. Emit (light, affection, etc.); shine; smile radiantly. Hence *~'ING*² a. [f. prec.]

beam³, a. Radiant (rare); (poet., of spoars etc.) huge; broad (of ships.) [*BEAM*¹, -Y²]

bean, n. (Kinds of leguminous plants bearing) smooth kidney-shaped seed in long pods; similar seed of other plants, as coffee; coin (sl.; *I haven't a ~*, I'm stony-broke); *full of ~s*, *~fed*, in high spirits; || *OLD ~*; *give one ~s* (sl.), punish or scold him. [OE *bēan*; com.-Teut., cf. G *bohne*, & perh. L *faba*]

|| **bean-feast**, **bean**⁴ (sl., pl. -os), n. Employer's annual dinner to workpeople, fête, merry time. [?]

bear¹ (bār), n. Heavy partly carnivorous thick-furred plantigrade quadruped; rough unmannerly person, whence *~'ISH*¹ a., *~'ishness* n.; *Great, Little, B~*, northern constellations; (St. Exch.) speculator for a fall, one who sells stock for future delivery hoping to buy it cheap meanwhile, & therefore tries to bring prices down (cf. *BULL*, & see foll.); heavy punching-machine; *~'s-breech*, acanthus; *~'s-foot*, kinds of hellebore; *~'garden*, scene of tumult; *~'s-grease*, pomade; *~'skin*, (wrap etc.) of *~'s* skin, Guards' tall furry cap; *~'leader*, travelling tutor. [OE *bera*; com.-Teut., cf. G *bär*, & perh. L *ferus* wild]

bear² (bār), v.i. & t., & n. (St. Exch.). Speculate for a fall; produce fall in price of (stocks etc.); (n.) this operation. [f. prec., perh. w. ref. to selling the bear's skin before killing the bear]

bear³ (bār), v.t. & i. (*borne, borne* or *born*, see below). 1. Carry (poet. or formal, exc. in the senses or contexts following): *~ or ~ away*, win (the palm, bell, prize); carry visibly, show, be known by, (banner, device, arms, the marks of, name, relation or ratio *to*; *~ oneself well* etc., behave); bring at need (*~ witness, com-*

pany; ~ a hand, help); wield (office, rule); carry internally (*~ a grudge; ~ in mind, remember*); wear (*~ arms, the sword*); *~ out, confirm; be borne away* (by external force or influence, or internal impulse); *is borne in upon one*, becomes one's conviction. 2. Sustain (weight, responsibility, cost; *~ a part in, share*); stand (test etc.), endure (*grin & ~ it*), tolerate, put up with (*cannot ~ him*), whence *~'ABLE* a.; be capable of upholding weight (*ice ~s*); be fit for (*his language won't ~ repeating*); *~ with*, treat forbearingly; *~ up*, (trans.) uphold, (intr.) not despair; *borne on the books of*, paid by. 3. Thrust, strive, apply weight, tend, (*~ down, overthrow; ~ hard on, oppress; ~ upon*, be relevant to; *bring to ~*, apply; *~ to the right, away, off, incline; ~ down, swoop; ~ up*, keep ship further away from wind; *~ up for*, change ship's course so as to sail towards). 4. Produce, yield, give birth to. †The p.p. is *borne*, exc. that *born* is used in pass. parts referring to human & other mammal birth; even then *borne* is used before *by* with the mother (*has borne a child; born 1901; born of, borne by, Eve*). [Aryan; OE, OIG, *beran*, cf. Gk *pher-*, L *fer-*]

beard¹, n. Hair of lower face (excluding usu. the moustache, & occas. the whiskers); chin tuft of animals; gills of oyster; attachment threads of some shellfish; beak-bristles of birds; awn of grasses; *Old-Man's B~*, = Traveller's Joy. Hence *~'ED*², *~'LESS*, aa., *~'lessness* n. [com.-Teut., cf. G *bart*]

beard², v.t. Oppose openly, defy, (*~ the lion in his den*). [f. prec.]

bear'er (bār'), n. Person or thing that carries; part-carrier of coffin; (India) palanquin-carrier, body servant; bringer of letters or message, presenter of cheque; (with adj. *good* etc.) plant etc. that produces well etc.; *~ company* (Mil.), medical unit organized to tend & bring in wounded on field service. [*BEAR*¹ + -ER¹]

bear'ing (bār'), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: behaviour; heraldic charge or device; relation, aspect, (*consider it in all its ~s; what is the ~ of this on the argument?*); (pl.) parts of machine that bear the friction; direction in which a place etc. lies, (pl.) relative position (*have lost my ~s*, do not know where I am); *~rein*, fixed rein from bit to saddle, forcing horse to arch its neck. [*BEAR*², -ING¹]

beast, n. Animal; quadruped; (Farming) bovine animal, esp. fattening-cattle (collect. pl. *beast*); animal for riding or driving; brutal man; person that one dislikes; *The B~*, Antichrist; *the ~*, the animal nature in man. [f. OF *beste* f. L *bestia*]

beast'liness, n. Gluttony, drunkenness, obscenity; disgusting food or drink. [f. foll.]

beast'ly¹, a. Like a beast or its ways;

unfit for human use, dirty; (colloq.) undesirable. [-LY¹]

beast'ly, adv. (sl.). (Intensifying adj.) & adv. used in bad sense; cf. JOLLY very, regrettably, (~ drunk, wet; raining ~ hard). [-LY²]

beat¹, v.t. & i. (past *beat*; p.p. *beaten*, but *beat* in *dead-beat*, often in sense *surpassed*, & oons. in other senses). Strike repeatedly (t. & i.; ~ *the breast*, in mourning; ~ *black & blue*, bruise; ~ *the air*, strive in vain; ~ *at door*, knock loudly; ~ *path*, make it by trampling; inflict blows on, (of sun, rain, wind) strike (upon something, or abs.); ~ *up* (sl.), ~ (person) severely; overcome, surpass (~ *hollow*, easily; ~ *cockfighting*, is extremely exhilarating), be too hard for, perplex; move up & down (t. & i. of wings); move rhythmically (*heart etc.* ~s, ~ *time*, *seconds*, etc.); shift, drive, alter, deform, by blows (~ *down*, *back*, *away*, *off*; ~ *in*, crush; ~ *down price* or *seller*, cheapen or bargain with; ~ *up eggs* etc., reduce to froth, powder, paste; ~ *or ~ out metal*, forge); (Naut.) ~ *up*, *about*, strive, tack, against wind; strike (bushes, water) to rouse game (~ *about the bush*, approach subject slowly, shilly-shally; ~ *up recruits* etc., collect; ~ *up the quarters* of, visit; ~ *one's brains*, search for ideas; || ~ *the bounds*, mark parish boundaries by striking certain points with rods); play on drum (~ *a parley*, a *retreat*, propose terms, retire); ~ *it* (sl.), go away. [OE *beatan*; com.-Teut., cf. ON *bauta* f. OTeut *baulan*]

beat², n. Stroke on drum, signal so given; movement of conductor's baton; measured sequence of strokes or sounds; throbbing; sentinel's or constable's appointed course; one's habitual round; sportsman's range. [f. prec.]

beat'en, a. In vbl senses; also or esp.: worn hard, trite; shaped by the hammer; exhausted, dejected. [p.p. of BEAT¹]

beat'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: man employed to rouse game; implement for beating flat. [BEAT¹ + -ER¹]

beat'ful, a. Making blessed. [f. L *beatificus* (*beatus* p.p. of *beare* *bless*, & see -FIC)]

beat'ification, n. Making or being blessed; (R.-C. Ch.) first step to canonization, announcement that dead person is in bliss. [F, f. L *beatificare* (prec.), -ATION]

beat'ify, v.t. Make happy; (R.-C. Ch.) announce as in prec. [f. L (prec., -FY)]

beat'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: a chastisement; a defeat. [f. BEAT¹]

beat'itude, n. Blessedness; (pl.) the blessings in *Matt.* v. 3-11. [F, f. L *beatitudo* (*beatus* see BEATIFIC, -TUDE)]

beau (*bô*), a. (pl. ~s, pr. *bôz*). Fop; lady's-man, lover. [OF, f. L *bellus*

pretty perh. = ⁺*benlus* dim. of *bene*, *bonus* good]

beau geste (*bôzhêst'*), n. A display of magnanimity. [F]

beau idé'al (*bô*), n. One's highest type of excellence or beauty. [F (-*éal*), = the ideal Beautiful (often misconceived in E as a beautiful ideal); see BEAU & IDEAL a.]

beau monde (see Ap.), n. Fashionable society. [F]

Beaune (*bôn*), n. A red Burgundy. [place] **beaut'eous** (*bû-*), a. Beautiful (poet.). [ME *beute* BEAUTY + -OUS]

beaut'iful (*bû-*), a. Delighting the eye or ear, gratifying any taste, (~ *face*, *voice*, *soup*, *baiting*); morally or intellectually impressive, charming, or satisfactory (~ *patience*, *organization*, *specimen*). Hence ~LY³ adv. [BEAUTY + -FUL]

beaut'ify (*bû-*), v.t. Make beautiful; adorn. Hence ~IER¹ (1, 2) n. [BEAUTY + -FY]

beaut'y (*bû-*), n. Combination of qualities, as shape, proportion, colour, in human face or form, or in other objects, that delights the sight (~ *is but skin deep*, one cannot judge by appearances); combined qualities delighting the other senses, the moral sense, or the intellect; a ~, beautiful person or thing (often ironical), exceptionally good specimen (*here is a ~*); beautiful women; a beautiful trait or feature, ornament, (*that's the ~ of it*, the particular point that gives satisfaction); ~ *parlour* (orig. U.S.), establishment in which the art or trade of face-massage, face-lifting, applying cosmetics, etc. is carried on, whence ***beaut'ician** (*bû-*) n., one who runs a ~ parlour; ~-*sleep*, before midnight; ~-*spot*, small patch placed on lady's face as foil to complexion, beautiful scene. [ME *bealte*, *beute*, f. OF *bealte*, *beaute*, f. L *bellus* pretty; see BEAU, -TY] **beaux yeux** (*bôzyêr'*), n. For the ~ of, just to gratify (person). [F, = fine eyes]

beav'er¹, n. Amphibious broad-tailed soft-furred rodent, building huts & dams; its fur; hat of this. [OE *beofor* = LG *bever*, G *biber*, L *fiber*]

beav'er², n. Lower face-guard of helmet. [ME & OF *bavière* bib (*bave* saliva)]

beav'erteen, n. Cotton twilled cloth with pile of loops. [f. BEAVER¹ after *velveteen*]

bécall' (-kaw), v.t. (arch. or vulg.). Call (person) names. [BE-(2)]

bécalm' (-ahm), v.t. 1. Make calm (sea etc.). 2. Deprive (ship) of wind. [(1) BE-(2) + CALM v., (2) BE-(6) + CALM n.]

became. See BECOME.

because' (-ôz, -awz), adv. & conj. For the reason (*that* & clause, arch.) by reason, on account, (*of* & noun); for the reason that, inasmuch as, since. [BY prep. + *cause* n.; the conj. use arises by omission of *that*]

beccafic'ō (-fō-), n. (pl. -os). Small migrant bird eaten in Italy. [It. (*beccare* peck + *fico* fig)]

bē'chamēl (bēsh-), n. Kind of white sauce. [Inventor's name]

bêche-de-mer (see Ap.), n. Sea-slug, a Chinese dainty. [F]

|| **bēck'**, n. Brook, mountain stream, (northern word). [f. ON *bekkr* cf. G *bach*]

bēck', n. Significant gesture, nod, etc.; the order implied (*have at one's ~*, *be at person's ~* & *call*, of entire dominion & obedience). [f. foll.]

bēck', v.t. & i. Make mute signal, signal mutely to, (poet.). [shortened f. BECKON]

bēck'ēt, n. (naut.). Contrivance for securing loose ropes, tackle, or spars, (rope-loop, hook, bracket, etc.). [?]

bēck'on, v.t. & i. Summon, call attention of, by gesture; make mute signal (to person). [OE *bēcnan* f. OTout. *beukno* BEACON]

bēcloud', v.t. Cover with clouds; obscure. [BE-(0) + CLOUD n.]

bēcome' (-ūm), v.i. & t. (-came, -come). Come into being; *what has ~e of* (happened to) *him?* (copulative) begin to be (followed by n., adj., or adj. phr.); suit, best, adorn, look well on, whence *~ing'* a., *~ingly'* adv., *~ingness* n., (-kū-). [OE *becuman* (BE + *cuman* COME) arrive, attain; com.-Teut., cf. G *bekommen*]

Becquerel rays (bēk'rel rāz), n. pl. Rays emitted by radio-active substances (now usu. called *alpha, beta, gamma, rays*). [A. H. Becquerel, French physicist]

bēd', n. 1. Thing to sleep on, mattress (*feather ~* etc.), frame-work with mattress & coverings; animal's resting place, litter; (elliptical for) use of ~, being in ~; ~ & board, entertainment, connubial relations; narrow ~, the grave; ~ of down, flowers, roses, easy position; ~ of sickness, invalid state; *brought to ~*, in child-birth, of child or abs.; *die in one's ~*, of natural causes; *go to ~*, retire for the night (imperat., sl., cease talking etc.); *take to ~*, keep, one's ~, become, be, ill; *make the ~*, arrange the coverings; *lie in the ~* one has made, take consequences of one's acts; *got out of ~ on wrong side*, is bad-tempered for the day; ~chamber (arch. exc. of royal, as *Groom, Lady*, etc., of the ~chamber), ~room; ~clothes, sheets, pillows, etc., of ~; ~fellow, sharer of ~, associate; ~gown, woman's night-dress, || northern woman's short jacket; ~key, wrench for (un)fastening ~stead; ~lift, appliance for raising invalid to sitting position; || ~maker, (wo)man tending college rooms at Oxf. & Camb.; ~pan, invalid's chamber utensil for use in ~; ~post, upright support of ~ (in twinkling of ~post, prob. transf. f. ~staff, loose cross-piece of old ~steads often used as handy weapon; *between you*

& me & the ~post, in confidence); ~rid(den), confined to ~ by infirmity, decrepit, [OE *bedreda* (*rida* rider), -en by confusion w. p.p.]; ~room, for sleeping in; ~side, side of esp. invalid's ~ (*good ~side manner*, of tactful doctors); ~sore, developed in invalid by lying in ~; ~spread, coverlet; ~stead, framework of ~; ~straw, kinds of plant, esp. (*Our Lady's ~straw*; ~tick, quadrangular bag holding feathers etc. for ~; ~time, hour for going to ~. 2. Flat base on which anything rests; ~plate, metal plate forming base of machine; garden plot filled with plants, swamp with osiers; bottom of sea, river, etc. (~rock, solid rock underlying alluvial deposits etc., fig. ultimate facts or principles of a theory, character, etc.); foundation of road or railway; slates etc. of billiard table; central part of gun-carriage; stratum; layer of oysters etc. [com. Teut., cf. G *bett* perh. f. Aryan *bhōdh-* whence L *fundere* dig] **bēd'**, v.t. & i. (-dd-). Put or go to bed (poet. or arch. exc. of horses etc.); plant (esp. ~out); cover up or fix firmly in something; arrange as, be or form, a layer. [f. prec.]

bēdāb'ble, v.t. Stain, splash, with dirty liquid, blood, etc. [BE-(1) + DABBLE]

bēdād', int. (Irish etc. for) by GAD!

bēdaub', v.t. Smear with paint etc.; bedizen. [BE-(1) + DAUB v.]

bēdd'er', n. In vbl senses; also, plant suited for flower-bed. [-ER']

|| **bēdd'er'**, n. (Univ. sl.). Bedroom. [BED + -ER (5)]

bēdd'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: mattress, bedclothes, etc.; litter for cattle; bottom layer; (Geol.) stratification. [-ING']

bēdēck', v.t. Adorn. [BE-(1) + DECK v.]

bēd'ēguar (-gār), n. Mosslike excrescence on rose-bush produced by insect's puncture. [f. F *bédégua* f. Pers. *badawar* wind-brought]

|| **bēd'el**(l), n. Official at Oxf. & Camb. with duties chiefly processional. [= BEADLE]

bēdēv'il, v.t. (-il-, -l-). Treat with diabolical violence or abuse; possess, bewitch; spoil, confound; call devil. [BE-(5, 6) + DEVIL n.]

bēdēv'ilment, n. Possession by devil; maddening trouble, confusion. [prec. + -MENT]

bēdew', v.t. Cover with drops, sprinkle. [BE-(6) + DEW]

|| **Bēd'fordshire** (-er), n. (nursery). Bed (*go to ~*).

bēdight' (-it), v.t. (past & p.p. *bedighted*). Array, adorn, (arch.; usu. in p.p.). [BE-(1) + DIGHT]

bēdim', v.t. (-mm-). Make (eyes, mind) dim. [BE-(4) + DIM a.]

bēdiz'en, v.t. Dress out gaudily. [BE-(2) + DIZEN]

- béd'lam**, n. (B~) hospital of St. Mary of Bethlehem used as lunatic asylum; any madhouse; scene of uproar. [f. *Bethlehem*; hospital founded as priory 1247, converted to asylum 1547]
- béd'lamite**, n. & a. Lunatic. [-ITE¹ (1)]
- Béd'lington**, n. (Also ~ *terrier*) short-haired, narrow-headed sporting terrier. [~ in Northumberland]
- béd'ouin** (-ôô-; or -ên), n. (pl. same) & a. (Arab) of the desert, wandering; gipsy. [F, f. Arab. *badawin* pl. of *badawi* dweller in the desert (*badw* desert); ~n is prop. the pl. sign]
- béd'râb'bled** (-ld), a. Dirty with rain & mud. [BE-(1), & see DRABBLE]
- béd'râg'gle**, v.t. Wet (dress etc.) by trailing it, or so that it trails or hangs limp. [BE-(1) + DRAGGLE]
- bee**, n. Four-winged stinging social insect (queen, drones, & workers) producing wax & honey; allied insects (*Humble*, *Mason*, *Carpenter*, etc., B~); poet; busy worker; meeting for combined work or amusement (chiefly U.S., exc. *spelling* ~); have a ~ in one's *bonnet*, be mad on some point; ~-bread, (honey & pollen used as food by ~s; ~eater, kinds of foreign bird; ~hive; ~line, straight between two places; ~master, ~mistress, keepers of ~s; B~ orchis, with ~-shaped flowers; || ~skep, straw hive; ~s'wax, secreted by ~s as comb material, (v.t.) polish with this. [OE *bēo*; com.-Teut., cf. G *biene* porh. f. Aryan *bhi-fear*, quiver]
- beech**, n. Smooth-barked glossy-leaved mast-bearing forest tree; its wood; ~fern, kind of polypody; ~marten, (also *stone marten*) white-breasted marten found in S. Europe; ~mast, fruit of ~. Hence ~EN⁵ a. [OE *bēce*, *bēce*, cf. G *buche*; com.-Teut. & cf. Gk *phagos*, *phēgos*, L *fagus*]
- beef**, n. (pl. -ves). Flesh of ox, bull, or cow; (in men) size, muscle; (usu. pl.) ox(en), esp. fattened, or their carcasses; || ~eater, yeoman of guard, warder of Tower of London, (f. obs. sense dependant); ~tea, stewed ~ juice for invalids; ~STEAK; ~wood, red timber of various trees. [f. OF *boef* f. L *bovem* nom. *bos* ox = Gk *bous*, Skr. *go-*, & E *cow*]
- beef'y**, a. Like beef; solid, muscular; stolid. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]
- Bēēl'zebūb**, n. The Devil; a devil. [L, f. Gk *beelzeboub* f. Heb. *ba'al'zēbūb* fly-lord]
- been**. See BE.
- beer**¹, n. Alcoholic liquor from fermented malt etc. flavoured with hops etc., including ale (pale) & porter (dark); other fermented drinks, as *nettle* ~; *garden* ~; *small* ~, (lit.) weak ~, (fig.) trifling matters (*think no small ~ of*, have high opinion of); ~engine, for drawing ~ at a distance; || ~house, licensed for ~, not spirits; || ~money, servant's allowance in lieu of ~; ~pull, handle of ~-engine. [OE *bēor*; com.-WG, cf. G *bier*; etym. dub.]
- beer**², n. One of the ends (so many threads) into which a warp is divided. [= *BER*, cf. *porter* in same sense in Scotland]
- beer'y**, a. Of, like, beer; esp., betraying influence of beer. [-Y²]
- bees'tings** (-z), n. pl. First milk after parturition. [f. obs. *beest* OE *bēost*, com.-WG, cf. G *biest*; etym. dub.]
- bees'wing** (-z), n. Second crust in long-kept port; old wine. [BEE + WING, from its filmy look]
- beet**, n. Two plants with succulent root, *Red B~* used for salad, *White B~* for sugar-making; || ~root, root of ~. [OE *bēte* f. L *beta*]
- bee'tle**¹, n., & v.t. Tool with heavy head & handle for ramming, crushing, smoothing, etc. (v.b, beat with this); *three-man* ~, requiring three to lift it; ~brain etc., blockhead. [OE *bitel* f. OTeut. *bautilos* f. *bautan* BEAT¹; see -LE(1)]
- bee'tle**², n. Insect having upper wings converted to hard wing-cases (pop. only of the black & large varieties, also wrongly of insects like them, as the *black* ~ or cockroach); short-sighted person (cf. ~eyed, blind as a ~); ~crusher, large boot or foot. [OE *bitula* *biter* f. *bitan* BITE¹]
- bee'tle**³, a. Projecting, shaggy, scowling, (~brows, ~browed). [prob. f. prec. w. ref. to tufted antennae of some beetles]
- bee'tle**⁴, v.i. Overhang (of brows, cliffs), hang threateningly (of fate etc.). [f. prec.]
- beeves**. See BEEF.
- beez'er**, n. (sl.). Nose. [f]
- béfall'** (-awl), v.t. & i. (-fell, -fallen). Happen; happen to (person etc.). [OE *befallan* f. BE-(2) + *fallan* FALL; cf. G *be-fallen*]
- béfit'**, v.t. (-tt-). Suit, be fitted for; be incumbent on; be right for. Hence ~TING² a., ~TINGLY² adv. [BE-(2) + FIT v.]
- béfög'**, v.t. (-gg-). Envelop in fog; obscure. [BE-(6) + FOG² n.]
- béfool'**, v.t. Dupe. [BE-(5) + FOOL¹ n.]
- béfore**, adv., prep., & conj. 1. adv. Ahead (*go ~*); on the front (~ & behind); previous to time in question, already, in the past, (*long ~*). 2. prep. In front of (~ the mast, of common sailors berthed forward), ahead of; under the impulse of (~ the wind, recoil ~, carry all ~ you); in presence of (*appear ~ judge, bow ~ authority*; ~ God = as God sees me; the question ~ us); awaiting (*world all ~ them*); earlier than (~ Christ, usu. abbr. B.O., appended to dates reckoned back-

wards from birth of Christ); this side the coming of (future event); farther on than; rather than (*would die ~ lying*). 3. conj. Previous to the time when; rather than (*would die ~ I lied*). [OE *beforan* (BE-+*foran* adv. f. OTeut. *fora* FOR)]

before'hånd (-rh-), adv. In anticipation, in readiness; *be ~ with*, anticipate, forestall; *~ with the world*, having money in hand. [orig. two wds; sense-development doubtful]

befoul', v.t. Make foul (lit. or fig.); *~ one's own NEST*¹. [BE-(4)+FOUL]

befriend' (-rënd), v.t. Help, favour. [BE-(6)+FRIEND n.]

bëg, v.t. & i. (-gg-). Ask for (food, money, etc.); (abs.) ask alms; ask (for alms etc.); live by alms; (of dog) sit up with forepaws raised expectantly; ask earnestly or humbly (thing, for thing, of person, person to do, of person to do, that something may be done); (in formal & courteous phrr.) *~ pardon, leave; ~ off*, get (person) excused penalty etc.; *~ to do*, take leave to do, take the liberty of doing, (*I ~ to differ, enclose, announce, etc.*); *~ the question*, assume the truth of matter in dispute; *go (a-)begging* (of situations, opportunities, etc.), find no acceptor. [perh. shortened f. F *béguiner* be a beghard or *béguin*, lay brother of mendicant order named f. Lambert Bègue]

bëgād', int. = by God (in fam. speech).

bëgān'. See BEGIN.

bëgēt' (-g-), v.t. (-tt-, -got-, -gotten). Procreate (usu. of father, sometimes of father & mother, cf. BEAR³); give rise to, occasion. Hence *~t'ER*¹ n. [OE & Goth. *beghan*; see BE-(2) & GET]

bëgg'ar¹, n. One who begs; one who lives by begging; poor man or woman (*~s must not be choosers, must take what is offered*); (depreciatingly) fellow; (playfully) little ~, youngster etc.; a good ~ (= *begger*), good at collecting for charities etc. [perh. = *beghard* see BEG & -ARD]

bëgg'ar¹, v.t. Reduce to poverty; outshine, reduce to silence (*~ description*); *~ my-neighbour*, card game. [f. prec.]

bëgg'ar¹ly, a. Indigent; intellectually poor; mean, sordid. Hence *~liness* n. [BEGGAR¹+LY¹]

bëgg'ar¹y, n. Extreme poverty. [-Y¹]

bëgin' (-g-), v.t. & i. (-nn-, began, begun). Commence (*to do, doing, work etc.*, or abs.; in pass. sense either *it has begun to be done, or it has been begun*); be the first to do something; take the first step (*~ to colloq.*, appear likely ever to, make any attempt to); start speaking; *~ at*, start from; *~ with*, take first; *to ~ with*, in the first place; *~ upon*, set to work at; come into being, arise; have its commencement, nearest boundary, etc. (at some point in space or time); *~ the world*, start in life. [loom.-WG; OE *beginnan* cf. G & Du.

beginnen (BE-+*ginnan* perh. = OE *ginan* gape f. Aryan *ghi-* open cf. L *hiare*)]

bëginn'er (-g-), n. In vbl senses; also, tiro. [-ER¹]

bëginn'ing (-g-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: time at which anything begins; source, origin; first part; *the ~ of the end*, first clear sign of final result. [-ING¹ (1)]

bëgfrd' (-g-), v.t. (-lft-). Gird round or encircle. [BE-(1)+GIRD¹]

bëgone' (-awn, -ön), vb imperat. = be gone (more peremptory than *go*).

bëgön'ia, n. Kinds of plant with coloured perianths but no petals. [Michel *Begon* c. 1680]

bëgör'ra, int. (Irish corruption of) by God!

bëgöt'(ten). See BEGET.

bëgrime', v.t. Soil deeply. [BE-(6)+GRIME]

bëgrüdge', v.t. Feel or show dissatisfaction at (thing), envy (one) the possession of. [BE-(2)+GRUDGE v.]

bëguile' (-gil), v.t. Delude; cheat (person of, out of, or into doing); charm, amuse; divert attention from (toll, passage of time). Hence *~ER*¹, *~e'MENT* (-giln-), nn. [BE-(2)+obs. vb *guile*, see GUILLE]

bëguinage (bëg'inahzh), n. House of beguines. [foll.+AGE]

bëg'uine (-gën), n. Member of Netherlands lay sisterhood not bound by vows. [Lambert *Bègue*, founder 1180]

bëg'urn, n. Mohammedan queen or lady of high rank in Hindustan. [Hind. *begam* f. East Turk. *bigim* fem. of *big* prince (BEY)]

bëgün'. See BEGIN.

bëhalf' (-ahf), n. (Only in phrr. 'on or in my etc. ~', 'on or in —s ~', 'on or in ~ of —') on the part of, on account of, (a person); in the interest of (person or principle etc.). [mixture of earlier phrr. *on his halve & bihalve him*, either = on his side; see HALF]

bëhāve', v.i. & refl. (Intr., usu. with adv.) conduct oneself, act, (rarely abs., esp. to or of children) conduct oneself with propriety, *~ towards*, treat (*well* etc.); (refl., usu. of or to children, & usu. without adv.) show good manners; (of machines etc., intr. or refl.) work (*well, badly*, etc.); *~d* p.p. (with *well-, ill-*) having good, bad, manners or conduct. [BE-(2)+HAVE]

bëhāv'our (-yer), n. Deportment, manners; moral conduct, treatment shown to or towards others; *be on one's good ~*, do one's best under probation; way in which ship, machine, substance, etc., acts or works. [f. prec., the ending due to confusion w. obs. *aver, havour, havyoure*, possession, = F *avoir*]

bëhāv'ourism (-yer-), n. (psych.). Doctrine that, given adequate knowledge, all human actions admit of analysis into stimulus & response, & that ability to predict them depends on exhaustive

study of behaviour in that light. [f. prec. + -ISM]

béhead' (-héd), v.t. Cut the head from; kill in that way. [OE *béheafdian* f. *be-* (from) about + *heafod* HEAD n.]

beheld. See BEHOLD.

béhém'otb (or *bé'y-*), n. Enormous creature. [perh. Egyptian *p-ehc-mau* water-ox (hippopotamus) assimilated to Heb. pl. (of dignity) of *b'hemah* beast, see *Job* xl. 16]

béhést', n. Command (poet.). [OE *béhas* cf. *béhanan* later *bélight* to command, & G *heissen*]

béhind', adv., prep., & n. In or to the rear (of), on the further side (of), hidden (by), at one's back, towards what was one's rear, further back in place or time (than), past in relation to, too late, in concealment, in reserve, in support of, in an inferior position (to), under the defence of, in the tracks of, outdone (by), in an ear (with); (n.) the posterior. Phrr.: *stay, leave, ~*, after others', one's own, departure or death; *full ~*, not keep up; *~ the scenes*, in private; *put ~ one*, refuse to consider; *go ~ one's words etc.*, look for secret motives on his part; *~ one's back*, without his knowledge; *~ time*, unpunctual; *~ the times*, antiquated. [OE *béhindan* (BE- + *hindan* = G *hinten* f. *hind-* MIND³ + *-ana* from)]

béhind'händ, adv. & pred. a. In arrears (with payments etc.); out of date, behind time; ill-provided (with). [prec. + HAND, cf. BEFOREHAND]

béhöld', v.t. (beheld). See, become aware of by sight; (abs. in imperat.) take notice, attend. Hence *~ER'* n. [OE *bíhaldan* f. BE-(2) + *haldan* HOLD v. keep (in view)]

béhöld'den, pred. a. Under obligation (to). [p.p. (obs. exc. in this use) of prec. = bound]

béhöof', n. (In phrr. *to, for, on ~*, or *the ~*, of) use, advantage. [OE *bíhof* in *bíhof-lic* useful cf. G *béhof* f. OTeut. *bíhaffan* (BE- + *haffan* HEAVE cf. L *capere* take)]

béhöve', *-hōöve', v.t. impers. Beincumbent on (person) to (do something). [OE *bíhofian* f. *bíhof* see prec.]

beige (bāzh), n. Kinds of dress-material made of undyed and unbleached wool; colour of this. [F, = natural-coloured, grey or brown, cf. It. *bigio*]

bé'ing, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: existence (*in ~*, existing); constitution, nature, essence: anything that exists (*the Supreme B~*, God); a person. [BE-, -ING^{1,2}]

béláb'our (-ber), v.t. Thrash (lit. & fig.). [BE-(3) + LABOUR v. (exert one's strength upon)]

bélát'éd, a. Overtaken by darkness; coming too late. [p.p. of obs. *belate* f. BE-(4) + LATE]

bélaud', v.t. Load with praise. [BE-(2) + LAUD v.]

béláy', v.t. Make fast (running rope) round cleat etc. to secure it; (sailor's sl. in imperat.) stop!, enough!; *~ing-pin*, fixed wooden or iron pin for *~ing on*. [OE *beleggan* cf. G *belegen* f. BE-(1) + *leggan* LAY² = lay round]

bél'can'tō (kah-), n. Singing characterized by full rich broad tone & accomplished technique. [It., = fine song]

bēlch', v.i. & t. Emit wind noisily from throat; utter noisily or drunkenly (abusive, blasphemous, or foul talk); (of gun or volcano) send out or up. [OE *bealcian* cf. Du. *balken* bray]

bēlch', n. Eruption; sound of gun, volcano; burst of flame. [f. prec.]

bél'cher, n. Parti-coloured neckerchief. [Jim B~., pugilist]

bél'dam(e), n. Old woman, hag; virago. [earlier = grandmother f. *bel-* (cf. obs. *belsire*, & see BRAU) expressing relationship + DAM mother]

béleag'uer (-ger), v.t. Besiege (lit. & fig.). [f. Du. *belegeren* camp round f. BE-(6) + *leger* a camp]

bél'ernite, n. Tapering sharp-pointed fossil bone of extinct cuttlefish. [f. Gk *belemnion* dart + -ITE¹ (2)]

bél'ésprit' (-rē), n. (pl. *beaux esprits* pr. *bōz éspré'*). A wit. [F]

bél'frí'y, n. Bell tower, attached or separate; bell space in church tower. Hence *~ism'* (-id) a. [by dissim. f. OF *berfrei* f. LL **beresfridus* f. Teut. (MHG *bercovit* prob. f. *bergen* shelter & OHG *fridu* peace); orig. sense, shed or tower for cover in besieging]

bél'ga, n. Belgian unit of exchange (= 5 francs). [L fem. of *Belgus* Belgian (sc. *pecunia*)]

Bél'gian, a. & n. (Native) of Belgium. [-AN]

Bél'gic, a. Of the Netherlands; of the ancient Belgae. [f. L *Belgicus* (*Belgae*, -IC)]

Bélgrāv'ia, n. Fashionable residential part of London south of Knightsbridge containing Belgrave Square.

Bélgrāv'ian, a. Of, suited to, Belgravia, fashionable London district. [f. Belgrave Square f. ground-landlord's Belgrave, Leics.]

Bél'ial, n. The devil; the spirit of evil; man of ~, reprobate. [f. Heb. *b'li-yaal* (*b'li* not + *yaal* use) worthlessness]

bélie', v.t. (-lying). Give false notion of; fail to act up to (promise etc.); fail to justify (hope etc.). [OE *belēogan* f. BE-(3) + *lēogan* LIE²]

bélief, n. Trust or confidence (*in*); acceptance of the Christian theology; acceptance as true or existing (of any fact,

statement, etc.; *in*, or *of*, with *nn.*, *that* with clause; *to the best of my ~*, in my genuine opinion; thing believed, religion, opinion, intuition; *The B~*, Apostles' Creed. [ME *bileafe* (BE- + OE *læfa* shortened f. *ge-læfa* cf. G *glaube* f. OTeut. *galaub*-dear)]

believe', v.t. & i. Have faith *in*, trust word of (person); put trust in truth of a statement, efficacy of a principle, system, machine, etc., existence of anything; give credence to (person, statement, etc., or *that*-clause); be of opinion *that*; *make ~e*, pretend. Hence ~'ABLE *a.*, ~'ER¹ *n.*, ~'ING³ *a.* [ME *bilieven* f. BE- + OE *gélēfan* cf. G *glauben* f. OTeut. *as* prec.]

belike', adv. (arch.). Probably, perhaps, (often iron.). [*be*-=BY prep. + *like* *a.* (by what is likely)]

Belish'a (-tsh-) **beac'on**, *n.* Post with yellow globe on top marking street crossing-place for pedestrians. [L. *Hore-Belisha*, Minister of Transport 1934]

belit'tle, v.t. Make small, dwarf; depreciate. [BE-(4) + *LITTLE*]

béll', *n.* Hollow body of cast metal in deep cup shape widening at lip made to emit musical sound when struck; (Naut.) *one to eight ~s*, half hours of watch; ~shaped object, as flower corolla (BLUM¹, CANTERBURY, B~). *Bear, carry away, the ~*, be first, win; ~, *book, & candle*, in allusion to eccles. cursing formula; *sound, clear, as a ~*, quite sound or clear (in other senses besides the acoustic); ~-bird, Brazilian and Austral. kinds with ~-like note; ~-buoy, with warning ~ rung by waves' motion; ~-flower, any plant of genus *Campanula*; ~-founder, *-founding, -foundry*, caster, casting, & manufactory, of ~s; ~-glass, ~-shaped as cover for plants; ~-hanger, artisan who puts up ~s & wires; ~-hop (sl.), hotel page; ~-metal, alloy of copper & tin (more tin than in bronze) for ~s; ~-pull, cord or handle attached to ~-wire; ~-ringer, *-ringing* (of church ~s with changes etc.); ~-wether, leading sheep of flock with ~ on neck, ringleader. [OE *belle*, com.-LG cf. Du. *bel*]

béll', v.t. Furnish with bell(s); ~ *the cat*, take the danger of a common enterprise on oneself (fable of mice & cats). [f. prec.]

béll', *n.*, & v.i. (Make the) cry of stag or buck at rutting-time. [OE *bellan* cf. G *bellen* bark]

bélladónn'a, *n.* (Bot.) Deadly Nightshade; (Med.) drug prepared from this. [mod. L f. It., = fair lady, perh. because a cosmetic is made from it]

bélle, *n.* Handsome woman; reigning beauty (*the ~ of any place*). [F, f. L *bella* fem. of *bellus* pretty see BEAUT]

belles-lettres (bél-lét'r), *n.* Studies, writings, of the purely literary kind,

Hence **béllét'rist** (S) (-l-l-) *n.*, **béllétris't-** (-l-l-) *a.* [F]

béll'ic'ose, *a.* Inclined to fighting. Hence ~s'try *n.* [f. L *bellicosus* (*bellum* war, -ic-, -osm¹)]

béll'igerencý, *n.* Status of a belligerent. [f. foll., sec -ENCY]

béll'igerent, *a.* & *n.* (Nation, party, or person) waging regular war as recognized by the law of nations; of such nation etc.; (loosely) any opponent engaged in conflict. [wrong correction of earlier *belligerant* f. F *belligérant* f. L *belligerare* wage war (*bellum* + *gerere*), -ANT]

Béllôn'a, *n.* War personified; woman of commanding presence. [L, =goddess of war f. *bellum* war]

béll'ow (-ō), v.i. & t., & *n.* 1. Roar as a bull; shout, roar with pain; utter loudly and angrily (often *out, forth*); (of thunder, cannon, etc.) reverberate, roar. 2. *n.* ~ing sound. [etym. dub.; cf. *bell*¹]

béll'ows (-ōz), *n.* pl. Portable or fixed contrivance for driving air into a fire or through pipes of organ, reeds of harmonium, etc.; *pair of ~*, two-handled for fire; means used to fan passion etc.; the lungs (~ *to mend*, of broken-winded horse); expandible part of photographic camera. [earlier *belg* bag = *BELLY*; the present wd f. northern form *belu*, *belu*]

béll'ý', *n.* Cavity of human body below diaphragm with stomach & bowels & other contents, abdomen; (externally) lower front of body; corresponding parts of animals; stomach; the body as food-consumer (cf. *BACK*¹), appetite, gluttony; the womb; cavity of anything; bulging part (concave or convex); front, inner, or lower surface; surface of violin etc. across which strings pass; ~-band (below horse's ~, checking play of shafts); ~-worship, gluttony; ~-timber, food; ~-pinched, starving; ~-ache, colic. Hence -**béll'ien'** (-id) *a.* [ME *bali*, *bely*, f. OE *bælg* f. OTeut. *balgis* bag f. *belgan* swell same wd as *BELLOWS*]

béll'ý', v.t. & i. Swell out (usu. of sails, & with *out*). [f. prec.]

béll'ýful (-fŭl), *n.* As much as one wants of anything, esp. of fighting. [-FUT(2)]

bélóng', v.i. Pertain, be proper, to (as duty, right, possession, natural or right accompaniment, example in classification, characteristic, part, member, inhabitant, appendage); be rightly a member of club, coterie, household, grade of society, etc.; *be resident *in*, connected *with*; ~ *under* or *in*, be rightly classified among; ~ *here* etc., live here, be rightly placed under this heading etc. [BE-(2) + obs. vb *long* pertain f. OE *gelang* adj. dependent on (cf. the now dialectal 'along of') = OHG *glang* akin (perh. f. notion corresponding in length)]

bélóng'ings (-s), *n.* pl. A person's

property, relatives, or luggage; everything connected with a subject. [f. prec.]

beloved (as *adj.* or *n. usu.* -*iv*'id; as *vb* -*iv*'d), p.p., a. & n. (Forming pass. parts of vb obs. in act.) dearly loved (followed by *of* or *by*, or abs.); (n.) darling (common in voc., & with *my*, *his*, etc.). [BE-(2) + LOVE v.]

below '(-b), adv. & prep. 1. adv. At or to lower level; on earth; in hell; downstairs (esp. Naut. *go ~*, from deck); down stream; in lower rank (*the court ~*); at foot of page, or further on in book. 2. prep. Lower than (*~stairs* now rare, downstairs); too low to be affected by (*~fallery*); down stream from; on inferior side of dividing line (*~par*, *~the gangway*); at or to greater depth than; covered by; lower in amount, degree, etc., than (*~one's breath*, less audibly than); of lower rank etc. than; unworthy of. Cf. BENEATH, UNDER. [be- = BY + LOW a.]

belt¹, n. Encircling strip of leather etc. worn round waist or baldric-wise to confine or support clothes or weapons etc. (*hit below the ~*, fight unfairly); cincture of earl or knight; strip of colour, special surface, trees, etc., round or on anything; zone or district (*cotton, wheat, fever, ~*); endless strap connecting wheels; row of armour plates under water-line; *Great & Little B~*, channels into Baltic. [com.-Teut., cf. OIlg *bale* perh. f. L *balteus*]

belt², v.t. Put belt round (*~ed cruiser*, with belt & metal-covered deck); fasten on with belt; mark with belt of colour etc.; thrash with belt. [f. prec.]

beltāne, n. (Ancient Celtic festival on) May-day. [ult. f. Gael. *bealltainn*]

bél'védère, n. Raised turret to view scenery from. [It. (*bel* beautiful, see BEAU, + *vedere* see)]

bely'ing. See BELIE.

bém'a, n. Platform in ancient Athenian public assembly. [Gk.]

bémife', v.t. Cover or stain with mud; (pass.) be stuck in the mud. [BE-(6) + MIRE n.]

bémoan', v.t. Weep or express sorrow for or over. [OE *bemēnan* f. BE-(3) + *mēnan* MOAN]

bémuse' (-z), v.t. Stupefy. [BE-(2) + MUSE v.]

bén, n. (Sc.). Inner room (usu. of two-roomed cottage); *but & ~*, the outer & inner room (i.e. the whole house). [ellipt. use of *ben* adv., within (OE *binnan*)]

bénch, n., & v.t. 1. Long seat of wood or stone; boat-thwart; judge's seat, office of judge, law-court (*King's, Queen's, B~*); (collect.) judges, magistrates; || (Parl.) seats appropriated to certain groups etc. (*Treasury, FRONT, CROSS,*

bishops', ~es); *be raised to, be on, the ~*, be (made) a judge or bishop; working-table of carpenter etc.; ledge in masonry or earthwork; *~table*, stone seat in cloister etc.; *~mark*, cut by surveyors to mark point in line of levels; *~warrant*, one issued by a judge (opp. justice's warrant). 2. v.t. Exhibit (dog) at show. [com.-Teut.; OE *benc*, cf. Sw. *bänk*, G *bank*, f. OTeut. *bankiz*; same wd as BANK^{1,2}, which came through Rom.]

bén'cher, n. Senior member, sharing management, of Inn of Court. [-ER¹]

bénd¹, n. (Naut.) knot of various kinds (*fisherman's, weaver's*, etc.); (Her.) parallel lines from dexter chief to sinister base (*~sinister* in opposite direction, sign of bastardy); shape (half BUTT) in which hides are tanned (*~leather*, the thickest, used for soles). [earlier meaning *band*, *bond*, which wds have taken its place in most senses; OE *bend* f. OTeut. *band*-st. of *bindan* BIND¹; identified with OF *bende*, *bande*, HAND¹ (2)]

bénd², n. Bending, curve; bent part of anything; *the ~s* (colloq.), cuisson disease. [f. foll.]

bénd³, v.t. & i. (past *bent*, p.p. *bent* exc. in *~ed knees*). Force out of straightness, impart to (rigid object) or receive a curved or angular shape; arch (brows); tighten up, bring to bear, (energies etc.); (pass.) be determined (*on* with gerund or noun); attach with knot (cable, sail); turn (t. & i.) in new direction (steps, eyes); incline (t. & i.) from the perpendicular (head), bow, stoop, submit, (*to* or *before*), force to submit (will etc.). Hence *~ER*¹ n., esp. (sl.) || sixpenny bit, *spree. [OE *bendan* prob. = ON *benda* join, strain, f. OTeut. *bandjā*-string, band; the orig. sense is stringing the bow]

béneaped' (-pt), a. Left aground by neap-tide. [p.p. f. unused *beneap* see DE-(6) & NEAP]

béneath', adv. & prep. Below, under, underneath, (poetic, arch., & literary, but usual in) *~contempt* etc., not worth despising etc., *~one*, unworthy of him. [OE *beneoþan* = BE- + *neothan* cf. G *nieden* f. OTeut. *nithar* NETHER + *ana* from]

bénédi'ctte, n. Blessing invoked; grace at table; *the B~*, one of the canticles. [L, = *bless ye*, imperat. of *benedicere* -*dic*-*bless* (*bene* well + *dicere* speak)]

bén'édick, n. Newly married man, esp. confirmed bachelor who marries. [Shaksp., *Much Ado*]

Bénédic'tine, a. & n. (Monk) of the order founded 529 by St Benedict, black monk; a liqueur. [f. F *bénédictin* f. L *benedictus* p.p. see BENEDICTE]

bénédic'tion, n. Utterance of a blessing, generally at table, at end of church service, or as special R.-C. service; a bless-

ing, blessedness. [f. *L. benedictio* (BENEDICTE, -ION)]

bénédict'ory, a. Of, expressing, benediction. [f. med. *L. benedictorius* see prec. and -ORY(1)]

Bénédict'us, n. One of the canticles. [first word in *L* version; see BENEDICTINE]

bénéf'ac'tion, n. Doing good; gift for charitable purpose. [f. *L. benefactor* (BENEFIT¹, -ION)]

bén'efact'or, n. Person who has given one friendly aid; patron of or donor to a cause or charitable institution. Hence ~RESS¹ n. [f. *L. benefactor* (BENEFIT¹, -OR²)]

bén'efic'e, n. Church living. Hence ~ED² (-st) a. [f. *L. beneficium* (bene well + -f'cium a doing)]

bénéf'icence, n., **bénéf'icent**, a. Doing good, (showing) active kindness. Hence **bénéf'icently**² adv. [f. *L. beneficentia* n. & *beneficus* a., comparat. *beneficentior*, (bene well, & see -fic, -ENCE)]

bénéf'icial (-sh), a. Advantageous; (Law) of, having, the usufruct of property. Hence ~LY² adv. [F *bénéficial* f. *L. beneficialis* (BENEFICE, -AL)]

bénéficiaire (bānāf'isyār'), n. Actor, cricketer, etc. who is taking a benefit. [F]

bénéf'iciary (-sha-), a. & n. (Law) holder, holding or held, by feudal tenure; holder of a living; receiver of benefits. [f. *L. beneficiarius*, see BENEFICE, -ARY¹]

bén'efit¹, n. Advantage (for the ~ of, on behalf of; the ~ of the doubt, assuming innocence rather than guilt); allowance, pension, attendance, to which person is entitled under Nat. Insurance Act or as member of benefit society etc. (*maternity, medical, ~*); exemption from ordinary courts by the privilege of one's order (~ of CLERGY, *peerage*); performance at theatre, game, etc. of which proceeds go to particular players (~s ~, ~-night, ~-match); ~-club, ~-society, for mutual insurance against illness or age; (sl., iron.) fine time, job, (*had no end of a ~ getting things straight*). [ME & AF *benet* f. *L. benefactum* neut. p.p. of *benefacere* do well]

bén'efit², v.t. & i. Do good to; receive benefit (by thing). [f. prec.]

bénév'olence, n. Desire to do good, charitable feeling; (Eng. Hist.) forced loan. [f. OF *benivolence* f. *L. benevolentia* f. *benevolens* -entis = foll.]

bénév'olent, a. Desirous of doing good, charitable. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *benivolens* f. *L. bene volentem* nom. -ens well wishing (*velle* wish)]

Bengal' (bēngawl'), a. ~ light, firework used for signals; ~ stripes, striped gingham, orig. from ~; ~ tiger, the tiger proper. [Indian province]

Bengali, -lee, (bēngawl'i), n. & a. (Native, language) of Bengal. [f. native *Bangali*]

benight'ed (-nit-), p.p. & a. (Forming

pass. of vb obs. in act.) overtaken by night; involved in intellectual or moral darkness, ignorant. [BE-(6) + NIGHT]

benign' (-in), a. Gracious, gentle; fortunate, salutary; (of diseases) mild, not malignant. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *benigne* f. *L. benignus* prob. = *benigenus* (bene well + -genus born)]

benig'niant, a. Kind, kindly, to inferiors; gracious; salutary. Hence ~ANCY n., ~antly² adv. [recent formation f. prec. on anal. of MALIGNANT]

benig'nity, n. Kindliness, kindness, (usu. in the old). [f. OF *benignité* f. *L. benignitatem* (BENIGN, -TY)]

bén'ison (-zn), n. (arch.). A blessing. [= BENEDICTION, see -SON]

Bén'jamin¹, n. Youngest child, darling; ~s mess, large share. [Gen. xlii. 4]

bén'jamin², n. = BENZOIN; B~ tree, (a) that yielding benzoin, (b) a N.-Amer. shrub with aromatic bark. [corruption of BENZOIN]

bén'n'et, n. See HERB ~, & foll.

bént', n. Reedy rushlike stiff-stemmed grass of various kinds (with pl., or collect.); (also *bennet*) stiff flower-stalk, old stalk, of grasses; couch-grass; *Way B~*, *Stool B~*, etc., kinds of plant; heath, unclosed pasture. [OE *beonet* perh. = G *bīnse* rush]

bént'², n. Twist, inclination, bias, tendency; to the top of one's ~, to heart's content. [f. BEND² on F anal. of *descent*, *extent*]

bént'³, See BEND².

Bén'tham'ism (-tā-), n. Greatest happiness of the greatest number as guiding principle of ethics. So ~ITE¹ (1) n. [Jeremy Bentham, 1748-1832; see -ISM (3)]

bén'thōs, n. (biol.). Flora & fauna found at the ocean bottom. [Gk. = depth of the sea]

bén trova'tis (-ah-), a. Well invented, characteristic if not true. [It.]

bén'umb' (-m), v.t. Make torpid, insensible, powerless, (usu. of cold); paralyse (mind, action). [earlier *benum* (cf. *dumb*, *limb*) f. OE *benumen* p.p. of *beniman* deprive (BE- + *niman* cf. G *nehmen* take)]

bén'zēne, n. An aromatic hydro-carbon got from coal-tar & represented by derivatives in all coal-tar products (formerly, & still in trade use, called *benzol*, -ole). [BENZ(o)- + -ENE]

bén'zine (-ān), n. Mixture of liquid hydrocarbons got from mineral oils & used for removing grease-stains (in trade use often called *benzoline* or *benzene*). [foll. + -INE¹]

benz(o)-, forming derivatives of foll.

bén'zōin (or -ōin), n. (Also *gum ~*, *benjamin*) fragrant aromatic resin of Javanese tree. Hence **bénzō'io** a. [earlier *benjoin* through F, Sp., It., f. Arab. *luban jawi* frankincense of Java (lo- being dropped in Rom. as if the article)]

bén'zól, -óle, n. —BENZENE. [BENZ(O)- + -OL]

bén'zoline (-én, -ín), n. —BENZINE. [prec. + -INE]

béqueath' (-dh), v.t. Leave (to person) by will (personality; cf. DEVISE); transmit to posterity (example etc.). [OE *becweðan* f. BE-(3) + *cweðan* say, see QUOTE]

béquest', n. Bequeathing; thing bequeathed. [ME *biquyste* prob. for *bicwis* (BE- + *cwis* saying cf. prec.; for -f cf. BE-HEST)]

***bérate', v.t.** Soold. [BE- + RATE]

Bérb'er, n. & a. (Member) of the N.-African stock including the aboriginal races of Barbary, speaking allied languages. [f. Arab. *barbar* (*barbara* talk confusedly) or perh. f. Gk *barbaros* BARBAROUS]

bérberry, n. See BARBERRY.

berceuse (bèrsèz'), n. Cradle-song. [F]

|| **bère, n.** Barley, esp. of six-rowed or four-rowed kinds. [OE]

béreave', v.t. (~d or bereft). Rob, dispossess, of (usu. of immaterial things, as life, hope); leave desolate (esp. in p.p., usu. ~d in this sense); (of death etc.) deprive of a relation, wife, etc., whence ~MENT (-vín-) n. [com.-Teut.; OE *beréafian* cf. G *berauben*; see BE-(2), REAVE]

beret (bè'rà), n. Round flat cap worn by Basque peasants; similar cap worn by men & women with sports & holiday clothes; service military headdress. [F, f. LL *birretum*, see BIRRETTA]

berg¹, n. —ICEBERG.

|| **berg²** (bèrk), n. (S. Africa). Mountain or hill (esp. in comb.); ~wind, hot northerly wind blowing in Cape Colony in May & August. [Du., = OE *beorg*]

berg'amot¹, n. Tree of orange & lemon kind; perfume extracted from its fruit. [f. *Bergamo* town in Italy]

berg'amot², n. Kind of pear. [f. F *bergamotte* f. It. *bergamotta* f. Turk. *beg-armudi* prince's pear]

berg'mehl (-mål), n. Greyish-white flour-like geological deposit composed of infusorial shells, an abrasive & absorbent. [G = mountain-flour]

berg'schrund (bàrk'shrönt), n. (mountaineering). Crevasse or gap at junction of steep upper slope with glacier or nevé. [G]

bérhyme' (-rím), v.t. Write verses about, lampoon; put (matter) into rhymed form. [BE-(6) + RHYME n.]

bé'ribéri, n. Deficiency disease prevalent in India. [Cingalese, f. *beri* weakness]
Berkeleyan (bàrkli'æn), n. & a. (Follower) of Berkeley or his philosophy, which denied the objective existence of the material world. [Bishop Berkeley, d. 1753; see -RAN]

Bérlin¹, n. & a. Four-wheeled covered

carriage with hooded seat behind (also *berline*); ~black, iron-varnish; ~iron, for casts; ~warehouse, shop for ~wool, fine dyed knitting wool; ~gloves, knitted. [~in Germany]

bérm, n. Ledge in fortification between ditch & base of parapet. [f. F *berme* cf. ON *barmr* brim]

Bérmüd'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of the Bermudas; ~rigged, fitted with a high tapering sail. [-IAN]

Bérnardine, a. & n. = CISTERCIAN.

bé'rrý¹, n. (Pop.) any small roundish juicy fruit without stone; (Bot.) fruit with seeds enclosed in pulp; egg in fish-roe (in ~, of hen-lobster carrying eggs). Hence (-)bè'rrýed¹ (-id) a. [com.-Teut., cf. G *beere*, Goth. *basi*]

bé'rrý², v.i. Come into berry, fill out; go gathering berries. [f. prec.]

bersaglieri (see Ap.), n. pl. Crack Italian infantry, orig. riflemen. [It.]

bèrs'érk(er), n. Wild Norse warrior fighting with mad frenzy. [f. Icel. *berserkr* prob. = bear-sark, bear-coat]

bérth¹, n. Convenient sea-room (*give wide ~ to*, avoid); room for ship to swing at anchor; ship's place at wharf; proper place for anything; sleeping-place; situation, appointment. [prob. f. BEAR³ v. (make room by bearing off) + -TH¹; of same formation, but prob. later & independent, as BIRTH (early spellings coincide)]

bérth², v.t. Moor (ship) in suitable place; provide sleeping-place for. [f. prec.]

bérth'a, bérthe, n. Deep falling (usu. lace) collar to low-necked dress. *Big Bertha*, German gun of vast range used in bombarding Paris in the war of 1914-18. [F (-e), the woman's name]

Bérth'on boat, n. Collapsible boat. [E. L. *Berthon* inventor, d. 1899]

Bértill'on sys'tem, n. Method of identifying criminals by measurements. [French anthropologist d. 1914]

bé'ryl, n. Precious stone, pale-green passing into light blue, yellow, & white; mineral species including also the emerald. [OF, f. L f. Gk *bérullos*]

béryll'ium, n. Hard white metallic element. [prec. + -IUM]

béseech', v.t. (-sought pr. -sawt). Ask earnestly for (esp. leave etc.); entreat (person, person that or to do or for thing). [BE-(2) + ME *seccen*, *sechen*, *seken*, *SEEK*]

béseech'ing, a. Suppliant (of look, tone, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING¹]

béseern', v.t. Suit, be fitting or creditable to, (abs., or with *well, ill*, etc.). Hence ~ingly² adv. [BE-(2) + SEEM]

bését', v.t. (-ting, past & p.p. -set). Hem in, set upon, (person); occupy & make impassable (road etc.); (of difficulties, temptations, etc.) assail, encompass.

(~*ting* sin, that most frequently tempts one). [OE *besettian* (BE-1), & see SET v.]

besét'ment, n. Besetting sin; being hemmed in. [prec. + -MENT]

beshrew' (-rōō), v.t. (Now only as mock-heroic imprecation) plague take (me, person, or thing). [BE-(2) + ME *schreuen* to curse f. *SCHREW*]

beside', prep. (formerly also adv. = foll.). Close to, by, near; on a level with, compared with; wide of (mark, question, etc.); ~ oneself, out of one's wits. [OE *be sidan* (BY, SIDE n.)]

besides' (-dz), adv. & prep. In addition (to), moreover; otherwise, else, (than); (neg. & interrog.) except. [prec. + -ES]

besiege', v.t. Invest, lay siege to; crowd round; assail with requests. Hence ~'ER¹ n. [ME *besegen* f. BE-(1) + *segen* f. OF *asegier* f. LL *assediare* (AD + *sedium* f. L *sedere* SIT)]

beslāv'er, v.t. Cover with slaver; flatter fulsomely. [BE-(1) + SLAVER v.]

beslōbb'er, v.t. = prec.; also, kiss effusively. [BE-(1) + SLOBBER v.]

beslūbb'er, v.t. Besmear. [BE-(1) + SLUBBER]

besmear', v.t. Smear with greasy or sticky stuff (also of the stuff as subj.). [OE *bismierwan* see BE-(1) & SMEAR v.]

besmftch', v.t. Soil, discolour; dim brightness of. [BE-(1) + SMIRCH v.]

bēs'om (-z-), n., & v.t. (Sweep with) bundle of twigs tied round stick for sweeping, kind of broom. [OE *besema*, com.-WG cf. G *besen* Du. *besem*]

besōt', v.t. (-tt-). Stupefy mentally or morally. [BE-(4) + SOT]

besought'. See BESEECH.

bespangle (-āng'gl), v.t. Set about with spangles. [BE-(6) + SPANGLE]

bēspāt'ter, v.t. Spatter (object) all over; spatter (liquid etc.) about; cover with abuse or flattery. [BE-(1) + SPATTER]

bēspēak', v.t. (past -spoke, p.p. -spoke, spoken). Engage beforehand; order (goods); stipulate for; speak to (poet.); suggest, be evidence of; || *bespoke boot-maker* etc. (prop. *bespoke-boot maker*), opposed to ready-made dealer. [OE *besprecan*; com.-WG cf. G *besprechen*; see BE-(3) & SPEAK]

bēsprēnt', p.p. (poet.). Sprinkled (with); scattered about. [f. OE *besprengan* f. BE-(1) + OTent. *sprangjan* causal of *sprangan* SPRING v.]

bēsprinkle (-īng'kl), v.t. Sprinkle or strew over (with; lit. & fig.; also with the liquid etc. as subj. or obj.). [ME *besprengu* frequent. of OE *besprengan*, see prec. & -LE]

Bēs'sēmer, a. & n. ~ process, for removing carbon, silicon, etc. from pig-iron by passing currents of air through it when molten & so making ~ iron, ~ steel, or ~. [Sir H. ~, inventor 1856]

bēst', a. & adv. (superl. of good, well). Of,

in, the most excellent kind, way (often, like good, well, used for specific adj. & adv., as kindest, most skillfully). Phrr.: the ~ part, most; had ~, would find it wisest to; one's ~ girl (al.), sweet-heart; ~ man, bridegroom's supporter; ~ seller, popular novel etc.; put ~ leg or foot foremost, go at full pace; bad is the ~, no good event possible; with the ~, as well as anyone; do one's ~, all one can; be at one's ~, in the ~ state; one's ~ or Sunday ~, ~ clothes; have the ~ of it, win in argument etc.; make the ~ of things, be contented; ~ abused (colloq.) most violently or generally abused (the ~ abused book of the year); make the ~ of one's way, go as fast as possible; at ~, on the most hopeful view; did it for the ~, with good intentions; to the ~ of one's power etc., as far as one's power etc. allows; the ~ is the enemy of the good, too high standard bars progress. [OE *bēst*; com.-Tent. f. OTent. *bāst* cf. BETTER]

bēst', v.t. (colloq.). Get the better of, circumvent, worst. [f. prec.]

bēstead' (-ēd), v.t. & i. Avail, help. [BE-(2) + STEAD]

bēstēd', p.p. (With ill, hard, sore, etc.) situated, circumstanced, pressed. [ME *bistad* f. BE-(2) + *stād* f. ON *staddir* p.p. of *stethja* stop]

bēs'tial, a. Of, like, a beast or beasts esp. quadrupeds; brutish, barbarous; depraved, lustful, obscene. Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-ēl) n., ~IZM(3) v.t., ~LY¹ adv. [OF, f. L *bestialis* (bestia BEAST + -AL)]

bēs'tiari, n. Medieval moralizing treatise on beasts. [f. med. L *bestiarium* menagerie f. L *bestia* beast]

bēstif', v. refl. (-rr-). Exert, rouse, (oneself). [OE *bestyrian* f. BE-(2) + *syrian* STR v.]

bēstow' (-ō), v.t. Deposit; provide with lodging; confer (thing) upon (person) as gift. Hence ~'AL(2) (-ōal) n. [ME *bistowen*, see BE-(2), STOW]

bēstrew' (-rōō), v.t. (p.p. ~ed or ~n). Strew (surface) with; scatter (things) about; lie scattered over. [OE *bestreowan* see BE-(1) & STREW; p.p. ~en is recent, but now common]

bēstride', v.t. (past -ode; p.p. ~idden, ~id, ~ode). Get or sit upon (horse, chair) with legs astride; stand astride over (place or fallen friend or enemy; also fig. of rainbow etc.). [OE *bestridan*, see BE-(3), STRIDE v.]

bēt, n., & v.i. & t. (bet). (Engagement to) risk one's money etc., risk (an amount etc.) against another's on the result of a doubtful event (on or against result or competitor, that so-&-so will happen); (al.) you ~, you may take it as certain; ~ing-book, for entering ~s in. [perh. f. ABER v. (or obs. n.); whether vb or n. is prior is doubtful]

bēt'a, n. Second letter (β, β) of Gk alphabet, used as name of second star in a

constellation, & in other numberings; ~ rays, fast-moving electrons emitted by radio-active substances, orig. regarded as rays. [Gk]

bétake', v. refl. (-took, -taken). Commit oneself to (i.e. try) some course or means; convey oneself to (i.e. go to) a place or person. [ME; DE- TAKE]

bét'el, n. Leaf of *Piper belle*, which Indians chew with arca-nut parings; (hence by mistake) ~ nut, the arca nut. [Port. f. Malayalam *veñila*]

bête noire (bât nwahr), n. (One's) abomination. [F]

béth'el, n. Hallowed spot (*Gen.* xxviii. 19); || nonconformist chapel; seamen's church (ashore or floating). [Heb. *beth-el* house of God]

|| **béthés'da** (-z), n. Nonconformist chapel, [*John* v. 2; Heb., = house of mercy]

béthink', v. refl. (-thought) (alw. with *self* or arch. *refl. me, him, etc.*). Reflect, stop to think; remind oneself of, how, or that; take into one's head to. [OE *bethencan*, com. -Tent. cf. G *bedenken*; see DE-(3), THINK]

bétide', v.i. & t. (only in 3 sing. pres. subj.). Happen (*what'er* ~); happen to (*see* ~ *him* etc.). [ME *bitiden* see DE-(2), TIDE v.]

bétimes' (-mz), adv. Early in day, year, life, etc.; in good time. [*by time* (ME) + ES]

bétise (bât'ez), n. Foolish, ill-timed, remark or action. [F]

bétök'en, v.t. Augur, indicate, suggest. [ME *bitacien* cf. G *bezeichnen*, see BE-, TOKEN]

bét'on, n. (Orig. lime, now any kind of concrete. [f. F *béton* ult. f. L *bitumen* mineral pitch])

bét'oný, n. Purple-flowered plant. [f. F *bétoine* f. LL *betonia* f. L *vettonica* f. name of Gaulish tribe]

betook. See BETAKE.

bétray', v.t. Give up treacherously (person or thing to enemy); be disloyal to; lead astray; reveal treacherously; reveal involuntarily; be evidence or symptom of. Hence ~AL(2), ~ER¹, nn. [ME *betraien* f. BE-(2) + obs. *tray* f. OF *trair* f. L *tradere* (trans over + dare give)]

bétróth' (-dth), v.t. Bind with a promise to marry (usu. in p.p.). Hence ~AL(2) n., ~ED¹ a. & n. [ME *bitreuthen* f. BE-(6) + *tréuthe* TRUTH, later assimilated to TROTH]

bét'er¹, a., adv., & n. (comp. of *good*, *well*). Of, in, a more excellent kind, way (often, like *good*, *well*, for specific wd as *more virtuous*, *more plentifully*). Phrr.: *no ~ than*, practically; *no ~ than she should be*, (usu.) of easy virtue; *one's ~ feelings*, higher self; *~ part*, most; *one's ~ half*, wife; *for ~ for worse*, on terms of accepting all results (see Prayer Book,

Marriage Service); ~ *than* (with number etc.), above; *had ~*, would find it wiser to; *be, get, ~*, less unwell; ~ *than* one's word, more liberal than one promised to be; one's ~, more skillful person; one's ~s, people of higher rank; *get the ~ of*, defeat, outwit; *know ~*, refuse to accept statement, not be so foolish (as to do something); *think ~ of it*, change one's mind; *change for the ~*; ~ off, richer, more comfortable; *the ~ the day the ~ the deed* (retort to charge of Sabbath-breaking). [OE *betera*; com.-Teut. cf. G *besser* f. OTeut. *batizon* f. *bat*-see BOOT³ + -ER¹]

bét't'er², v.t. & i. Amend, improve; surpass (a feat etc.); ~ oneself, got better situation, wages, etc. Hence ~MENT n., (also) enhanced value (of real property) arising from local improvements. [ME *beteren* cf. G *bessern* & see prec.]

bét't'er³, -or, n. One who bets. [BET + -ER¹]

between', prep. & adv. (the orig. restriction to relations involving only two limits etc. still tends to be observed wherever AMONG is adequate for higher numbers). In, into, along, or across, a space, line, or route, bounded by (two or more points, lines, etc.); in, into, along, or across, an interval; separating; connecting; immediately in place, time, or order (to); owing partly to, partaking of, shared by, (each); to & fro (*go-~*); to & from (*plies ~ London & Brighton*); reciprocally on the part of; confined to (~ *ourselves*, ~ *you & me*); by combination of; taking one & rejecting the other of (*choose ~*). *Far ~*, at wide intervals; ~ *cup & lip*, of dashed hopes; || ~ *maid* (now usu. *weeny*), servant assisting two others, e.g. cook & housemaid; ~ *wind & water*, at a vulnerable point; ~ *devil & deep sea*, with no escape; *betwixt & ~*, half-&-half; *stand ~*, mediate, be protector; ~ *whiles*, in the intervals. [OE *betwænum*, *betwæon*, (BE- + dat. & acc. pl. of distrib. num., = L *bi*, of two); orig. constr. *bi* (*sæm* etc.) *twænum* = by (seas etc.) twain]

bétwixt', prep. & adv. (Poet., arch., or dial., for) BETWEEN. [earlier *betwizen* (BE- + OSax. *twice* f. OTeut. *twiskfo*-twofold cf. G *zwischen* between)]

|| **Beu'lah**, n. Nonconformist chapel. [*Is.* lxii. 4]

bév'el¹, n. Joiner's & mason's tool for setting off angles; a slope from the horizontal or vertical, surface so sloping; ~ *edge*, as in a chisel; ~ *gear*, working one shaft from another at angle to it by ~ *wheels*, cogged wheels with working face oblique to axis. [f. OF ⁺*bevel* (now *becau*) etym. dub.]

bév'el², v.t. & i. (-ll). Reduce (square edge) to, take, a slope. [f. prec.]

For compounds of *be-* not given consult BE-.

bév'eraġe, *n.* Drinking-liquor. [f. OF *beverage* (*beivre*, now *boire*, f. L *bibere* drink + *-AGE*)]

Bév'in boy, *n.* Young conscript selected by ballot for work in coal-mine. [E. *Devlin*, Minister of Labour]

bév'y, *n.* Company (prop. of ladies, roes, quails, larks). [etym. dub.; perh. = drinking company (cf. BEVERAGE)]

béwail', *v.t. & i.* Wall (over), mourn (for). [BE-(3) + WAIL *v.*]

béwāre', *v.i. & t.* (not inflected, & used only where *be* is the vbl part required, as *I will ~*, but not *I ~*). Be cautious, take heed; take heed of, *test*, *how*, *that not*. [as now used, f. BE *v.* + OE *wær* cautious, but with traces of OE *ws* *warian*, *bewarian*, take care of, defend, (surviving in 'Ware holes!')]]

béwil'der, *v.t.* Lead astray, perplex, confuse. Hence **~ingly** *adv.*, **~MENT** *n.* [BE-(6) + obs. *wilder(n)* WILDERNESS]

béwitch', *v.t.* Affect by magic, put a spell on; delight exceedingly, whence **~ING** *a.*, **~ingly** *adv.*, **~MENT** *n.* [ME *biwischen* f. BE-(2) + OE *wician* enchant f. *wicca* WITCH *n.*]

bewray (*birā'*), *v.t.* (arch.). Reveal, esp. involuntarily. [BE-(2) + OE *wreġan* accuse cf. *G rügen*]

bey (*bā*), **bey'lic** (*bā-*), *nn.* (*Bey*) Turkish governor; (*beylic*) his district. [formerly *beg* f. Osmanli *beg*]

béyōnd', *adv.*, *prep.*, & *n.* 1. At, to, the farther side (of), past, outside, besides; later than; out of reach, comprehension, or range, of (*~ measure*, exceedingly); surpassing; more than (with objective case, as *you have prospered ~ me*); (neg. & interrog.) except. 2. *n.* *The ~*, the future life, the unknown; the back of *~*, the remotest corner of the world. [OE *begeondan* (BE- about + *geond* across + *-ana* from); cf. YON & *Gen*-that]

béz'ant (or *bizánt'*), *n.* Gold coin (10/- to 20/-) current in Europe from 9th c.; also silver (1/- to 2/-). [f. OF *desan* f. L *Byzantius* (*nummus* coin) of Byzantium]

béz'el, *n.* Sloped edge of chisel etc.; oblique faces of cut gem; groove holding watch-glass or gem. [f. OF *bezel* (now *biseau*) etym. dub.]

bézique' (*-ék*), *n.* Card-game for two or four. [f. F *besigue* etym. dub.]

béz'oar (*-ōr*), *n.* Concretion with hard nucleus found in stomach or intestines of certain animals (chiefly ruminants), formerly believed antidotal. [corrupt. of Pers. *pādzahr* antidote, Arab. *bāzahr*]

bézō'ian, *n.* (arch.). Rascal, beggarly fellow. [earlier *besonio*, f. It. *bisogno* need, want]

bhāng (*bā-*), *n.* Indian hemp used as narcotic & intoxicant (smoked, chewed, eaten, & drunk). [earlier *bangue*, *bang*; f. Hind. etc. *bhang*]

bhis'ti, **bhees'ty**, (*bās-*), *n.* (Anglo-Ind.).

Indian water-carrier. [Urdu *bhisti* f. Pers. *bihisht* paradise (prob. joc. origin)]

bī-, *pref. f. L bi-* (earlier *dui-*, cf. *Gk di-*, Skr. *dui*) twice, doubly, having two —, freely used in English, esp. with wds f. L, but also with E wds (*bi-weekly*). 1. *Adj.*, (a) having two —, as *bicentral*, *bicristate*; (b) doubly, in two ways, as *biconcave*; (c) in Bot. & Zool., twice over, i.e. divided into similarly divided parts, as *bipinnate*; (d) lasting for two —, appearing every two —, as *biennial*; (e) appearing twice in a —, as *biannual*, *bi-monthly*; many wds are ambiguous between this & the last, & *semi-*, *half-*, would be better here; (f) joining two —, as *bi-parietal*. 2. *Nouns*, double, as *bi-millionaire*. 3. *Chem. nouns & adj.*, having twice the amount of acid, base, etc., indicated by the simple wd, as *bicarbonate*.

bī'as', *n.* (In bowls) lopsided form of a bowl, its oblique course, the inserted plug of metal or influence deflecting it; (metaph. from bowls) inclination, predisposition (*towards*), prejudice, influence; (Dressmaking etc.); as *a.*, *n.*, & *adv.* *cut on the ~*, *cut ~*, cut obliquely across the texture, *~ band* etc., band so cut. [f. F *biais* oblique, obliquity, etym. dub.; L *bifacem* nom. -*fax* two-faced is suggested]

bī'as', *v.t.* (-s or -as-). Give a bias to, influence (usu. unfairly), inspire with prejudice. [f. *prec.*]

bīāx'ial, *a.* With two (optic) axes. [BI-(1 a) + AXIAL]

bib', *v.i.* (-bb-). Drink much or often. [perh. f. L *bibere* drink]

bib', *n.* Child's chin-cloth to keep dress-front clean; adult's apron-top (*best ~ & tucker*, best clothes). [perh. f. *prec.*]

bib', *n.* A fish, the whiting-pout. [from an inflatable membrane on head resembling *prec.*]

bibās'ic, *a.* Having two (chem.) bases. [BI-(1 a) + BASE¹ + IC]

bibb'er, *n.*, **bibb'ing**, *n. & a.* Tippler, tipping, (usu. in comb., as *wine* etc. ~). [BIB *v.*, -ER¹, -ING^{1, 2}]

bib-cōck', *n.* Tap or faucet with a bent nozzle fixed at the end of a pipe (opp. STOPCOCK). [perh. f. BIB³]

bibelot (*bēb'lō*), *n.* Small curio or artistic trinket. [F]

bibi (*bē'bē*), **bee'bee**, *n.* (India). Lady (in former Anglo-Ind. use = MEM-SAHIB; now only of Indian ladies). [Pers. *bibi*, lawful wife]

Bī'ble, *n.* The Scriptures of the Old & New Testament, a copy of them, a particular edition of them (BREECHES, PRINTERS', VINEGAR, WICKED, ~); authoritative text-book; ~-oath, taken on the ~; ~-reader, one employed to read the ~ from house to house; ~-Christian, a member of sect so called; ~-clerk, student at some Oxford

- colleges who reads lessons in chapel. [F. f. LL f. Gk *biblia* books pl. of *biblion* dim. of *biblos* papyrus bark]
- biblical**, a. Of, concerning, contained in, the Bible. [f. med. L *biblicus* (see -IC, -AL)]
- biblico-**, comb. of BIBLICAL, as *biblico-poetical*. [-o-]
- biblio-**, comb. form of *biblion* see BIBLE. Of books or the Bible.
- bibliograph-**. See **fol-**, & -GRAPH, -GRAPHER, -GRAPHIC, -GRAPHY.
- bibliography**, n. History of books, their authorship, editions, etc.; book containing such details; list of books of any author, printer, country, subject. [f. Gk *bibliographia*; see BIBLIO-, -GRAPHY]
- bibliolater**, n., **bibliolaterous**, a., **bibliolater**, n. Worshipper of, worshipping, worship of, books, a book, or the Bible. [BIBLIO-, -LATRY]
- bibliomaniac**, **bibliomaniac**, nn. Rage for collecting, enthusiastic collector of, books. [see BIBLIO-, -MANIA]
- bibliophil(e)**, n. Book-fancier, -lover. Hence **bibliophilism**(3), **bibliophilist**(3), nn. [F *bibliophile* (BIBLIO-, -PHIL)]
- bibliophile**, **bibliophil**, nn. Seller, selling, of (esp. rare) books. [f. L (-la) f. Gk *bibliophiles* (BIBLIO-, -phōlos -seller)]
- bibulous**, a. Absorbent; addicted to drink. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *bibulus* freely drinking (*bibere* drink) + -OUS]
- bicameral**, a. With two (legislative) chambers. [BI-(1a) + L *camera* CHAMBER + -AL]
- bicarbonate**. See BI-(3).
- bice**, n. ~ or blue ~, green ~, pigments made from blue, green, hydrocarbonate of copper; similar pigment made from smalt etc.; dull shades of blue & green given by these. [f. F *bis* dark-coloured f. It. *bigio* etym. dub.]
- bicentenary** (also -*entén*), a. & n. (Festival) of the two-hundredth anniversary. [BI-(1 a) + L *centenarius* CENTENARY; used of years by confusion with *centennial*]
- bicentennial**, a. & n. Lasting, occurring every, two hundred years; (n.) = prec. [BI-(1 d) + CENTENNIAL]
- bicephalous**, a. Two-headed. [BI-(1 a) + -CEPHALOUS]
- biceps**, n. (pl. ~es). Muscle with double head or attachment, esp. the upper-arm flexor; muscularity. [L, = two-headed f. BI-(1 a) + *caput* head]
- bichloride** (-*kl*-), n. Compound in which double amount of chlorine combines with metal etc. [BI-(3)]
- bichromate** (-*kr*-), n. Salt with double amount of chromic acid. [BI-(3)]
- bicker**, v.i. Quarrel; (of stream, rain, etc.) brawl, patter; (of flame, light, etc.) flash, glitter. [ME *bikeren* perh. frequent. of *bike* to thrust, pierce]
- bicuspid**, a. & n. (Tooth) with two cusps. [BI-(1 a) + L *cuspid* -*idis* point]
- bicycle**, n., & v.i. (Ride on) two-wheeled vehicle. Hence **bicyclist**(1) n. [F, f. BI-(1 a) + Gk *kuklos* wheel]
- bid**, v.t. & i. (past *bad*, *bade*, *bid*, p.p. *bidden*, *bid*). Command to (usu. without *to*; now literary, arch., or poet., for *tell with to*; also abs., as *do as you are* ~); invite (esp. in ~*den* guest); salute (person) with *welcome*, *farewell*, etc.; offer price, offer (a certain price) for (past & p.p. *bid*), whence ~*d'er*¹ n.; (Bridge) make a *bid*² of or in, make a bid; proclaim (*defiance*, the *banns*); ~ *fair to do*, show promise of doing; || ~*ding*-prayer, inviting congregation to join. [mixture of (1) OE *beodan* offer, proclaim, cf. G *bielen* f. OTeut. *beudan*, (2) OE *biddan* press, beg, cf. G *biten* f. OTeut. *bidjan* cf. Skr. *bādhate* press; the variety of forms is due to this confusion]
- bid**², n. Offer of price, esp. at auction; (Bridge) statement of number of tricks player proposes to win in specified suit or no-trumps; make a ~ *for*, (fig.) make an attempt to secure (favour, the prize, etc.). [f. prec.]
- biddable**, a. Obedient; (of hand or suit at cards) capable of being bid. [-ABLE]
- bidding**, n. In vbl senses; esp., the offers at auction; a command. [-ING¹ (1)]
- bidd'y**, n. (dial.). Chicken. [?]
- bide**, v.t. & i. (Arch. & poet. for *abide*, but the regular wd in) ~ *one's time*, await best opportunity. [com.-Teut.: OE *bidan* cf. OSax. *bidan*, OHG *bitan*]
- biennial**, a. & n. Lasting, recurring every, two years; (n., Bot.) plant that springs one year, & flowers, fructifies, & perishes, the next. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *biennis* f. BI-(1 d) + *annus* year + -AL]
- bier**, n. Movable stand on which coffin (or corpse) is taken to grave. [com.-Teut.: OE *ber* cf. G *bahre* & see BARROW; mod. spelling affected by F *bière*]
- biff**, n., & v.t., (sl.). A smart blow; (vb) strike (person). [?]
- || **biffin**, n. Deep-red cooking-apple. [= *beefin* f. BEEF + -ING(3) with ref. to the colour]
- bifid**, a. Divided by a deep cleft into two parts. [f. L *bifidus* f. st. of *findere* cut]
- bifocal**, a. Having two foci (esp. of combined distant & near vision spectacles). [BI-(1 a)]
- bifoliate**, a. Of two leaves. [BI-(1 a) + L *folium* leaf + -ATE² (2)]
- bifurcate**¹ (-*terk*-), v.t. & i. Divide into two branches, fork. [f. foll., first in p.p. -ated]
- bifurcate**² (-*férk*-), a. Forked (esp. in Bot.). [f. med. L *bifurcatus* f. *furca* fork, -ATE²]
- bifurcation** (-*terk*-), n. Division into two

For words in *bi-*, *bin-*, not given consult *BI-*, *BIN-*.

branches; the point of division; the branches or one of them. [f. *BIFURCATE*¹]
big, a. & adv. Large; grown up; pregnant (~ with young, also ~belled, & esp. fig. as ~ with fate, news); important (a ~ man; the Big Three, Five, etc., the predominant few in any affair; get, grow, too ~ for one's boots, sl., become conceited, put on airs); boastful(y) (~ words, looks; look or talk ~); (as distinctive epithet) ~ drum, toe, game; Big Ben, great bell in the Houses of Parliament; ~ bug (sl.), ~wig; ~ business, commerce on the grand scale (freq. with sinister implication); ~ end, end of the connecting-rod that encircles the crank-pin; ~horn, Rocky-Mountain sheep; ~ noise (sl.), ~wig; ~ stick, display of force; ~wig, person of importance. Hence ~NESS n. [1]

big'amist, n. Man (woman) with two wives (husbands). [see BIGAMY, -IST]

big'amous, a. Guilty of, involving, bigamy. [f. med. L *bigamus* see foll. + -OUS]

big'amý, n. Having two wives or husbands at once. [f. F *bigamie* (-Y¹) f. OF *bigame* bigamous f. med. L *bigamus* f. Gk *gamos* -married]

bigaróó', -óón', n. Large white heart-cherry. [f. F *bigarreau* f. *bigarre* variegated]

bigém'inal, a. Arranged in two pairs. [BI-(1 c) + L *geminus* twin + -AL]

bigg, **big**, n. Four-rowed barley. [f. ON *bygg* = OE *beow* grain, cf. Gk *phu-*, Skr. *bhu-*, grow]

bight (bit), n. Loop of a rope; curve, recess, of coast, river, etc., bay. [OE *bicht* cf. G *bucht* f. OTeut. *bucan* to BOW]

big'ot, n. One who holds irrespective of reason, & attaches disproportionate weight to, some creed or view. Hence ~ED¹ a. [F, etym. dub.; *Visigoth*, & Sp. *bigote* moustache, have been suggested]

big'otrý, n. Conduct, mental state, act, of a bigot. [f. F *bigoterie*; see BIGOT, -RY]

big'ou (bézh'óó), n. (pl. -oux, pr. -óó) & a. Jewel, trinket; small & elegant. [F, prob. f. Breton *bicou* ring with stone f. *bis* = Corn. *bis*, W *bys*, finger]

big'outerie (bézh'óó't'ére), n. Jewelry, trinkets, etc. [F, see prec. & -RY]

bike, n., & v.l. (Colloq. abbr. for) *BIOCLE*.

bilát'eral, a. Of, on, with, two sides; affecting, between, two parties. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [BI-(1 a) + L *latus* -eris side + -AL]

bil'berry, n. Fruit of dwarf hardy N.-European shrub growing on heaths & in mountain woods (also *blaeberry*, *whortleberry*). [cf. Da. *bjellebær*]

bil'bó, n. (hist.; pl. -os). Sword. [f. *Bilbao* in Spain]

bil'boes (-ós), n. pl. Iron bar with sliding shackles for prisoner. [1]

bile, n. Brownish-yellow bitter fluid secreted by the liver to aid digestion; de-

range of the ~; peevishness; ~stone, calculus in gall-bladder. [F, f. L *bilis*]

bilge¹, n. Nearly horizontal part of ship's bottom, inside or out; the foulness that collects inside the ~; (sl.) nonsense, rot; belly of barrel; ~keel, timber fastened under ~ to prevent rolling; ~water, stinking water collected in ~. [corruption of *BULGE* f. OF *bouge* now *bouge*]

bilge², v.t. & i. Stave in the bilge of, spring a leak in the bilge; bulge, swell out. [f. prec.]

bilhárz'i'a, n. Flat-worm parasitic in the blood & bladder of residents in tropical countries (esp. Egypt). Hence ~AS'IS n., chronic disease produced by its presence. [T. *Bilharz*, discoverer]

bil'iary (-lya-), a. Of the bile. [f. F *biliaire*, see BILE, -ARY²]

bil'ing'ual (-ing'wal), a. Having, speaking, spoken or written in, two languages. [f. L *bilinguis* f. BI-(1 a) + *lingua* tongue + -AL]

bil'ious (-lyus), a. Liable to, affected by, arising from, derangement of the bile; peevish. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *bilieux* f. L *biliosus*; see BILE, -OUS¹, -OUS]

-bility, suf. See -BLE.

bilk, v.t. Evade payment of (creditor, bill); cheat, give the slip to. [etym. dub.; perh. = BALK; earliest use in cribbage, = spoil opponent's score]

bill¹, n. Obsolete weapon, halberd; (also ~hook) concave-edged lopping implement for pruning etc. [com.-WG cf. G *bille*]

bill², n. Bird's beak (esp. when slender, flattened, or weak, & in pigeons & web-footed birds); muzzle of platypus; narrow promontory (*Portland B* ~ etc.); point of anchor-fluke. Hence ~ED¹ (-ld) a. [OE *bile* etym. dub.]

bill³, v.i. Stroke bill with bill (of doves); exchange caresses (esp. ~ & coo). [f. prec.]

bill⁴, n. Draft of proposed Act of Parliament; (Law) written statement of (esp. plaintiff's) case (*find a true ~, ignore the ~*, forms by which Grand Jury sends, does not send, case for trial); note of charges for goods delivered or services rendered; poster, placard, programme of entertainment; (also ~ of exchange) written order by drawer to drawee to pay sum on given date to drawer or to named payee (if drawn not against value received, but to raise money on credit, the ~ is known as an *accommodation ~*); ~ of fare, list of dishes to be served, menu, (fig.) programme; ~ of health, certificate regarding infectious disease on ship or in port at time of sailing (*clean ~ of health*, no disease); ~ of lading, ship-master's detailed receipt to consignor; ~ of quantities, detailed statement of work, prices, dimensions,

etc., involved in the erection of a building; ~ of sale, transferring personal property, or authorizing its seizure by lender of money if payment is delayed; ~s of mortality (hist.), weekly return of deaths in London & district (*within the ~s of mortality*, in or near London); ~poster, ~sticker, man who pastes up placards; ~broker, ~discounter, dealer in, discounter of, ~s of exchange. [ME *bill* f. L *bull* amulet in medieval sense of seal, papal bull, document]

bill¹, v.t. Announce, put in the programme; ~ed to appear etc., announced as going to; plaster with placards. [f. prec.]

bill'abōng, n. (Austral.). Branch of river that comes to a dead end. [Native]

bill'ét¹, n. Order requiring person to board & lodge the soldier etc. bearing it (*every bullet has its ~*, hits only by providential order), place where troops etc. are lodged; destination; appointment, situation. [ME *billette* dim. of *bille* **BILL**⁴]

bill'ét², v.t. Quarter (soldiers etc.) on (town, householder, etc.), *in, at*; (of householder) provide (soldier etc.) with board & lodging. Hence ~EE, ~OR² (1), nn. [f. prec.]

bill'ét³, n. Thick piece of firewood; small bar of metal; short roll inserted at intervals in hollow moulding (Norman archit.). [f. F *billette* & *billot* dim. of *bille* tree-trunk etym. dub.]

billet-doux (bīlādō'), n. Love-letter (ocular). [F]

bill'iards (-lyardz), n. pl. Game played with cues & ivory balls on cloth-covered table; *billiard-marker*, attendant keeping the score. [f. F *billard* cue dim. of *bille* see **BILLET**³]

bill'ingsgate (-z), n. Abuse, violent invective. [from the scolding of fish-women in *Billingsgate* market]

bill'ion (-you), n. A million millions; (in U.S. & France) a thousand millions. [F, coined in 16th c. out of *bi-* & *million* to denote the second power of a million; meaning afterwards changed in France (so U.S.) but not in England]

bill'ow¹ (-ō), n. Great wave; (poet.) the sea; (fig.) anything that sweeps along, as sound, troops. Hence ~Y¹ (-ō) a. [f. ON *bylgja* f. com.-Teut. *belgan* swell]

bill'ow² (-ō), v.i. Rise, move, in billows. [f. prec.]

bill'ŷ, n. (Austral.). Tin can used as kettle etc. in camping out. [prob. the male name]

|| **bill'**ŷboy, n. River or coasting trading barge. [?]

|| **bill'**ŷcock, n. Round-crowned hard felt hat, bowler. [said to have been orig. designed for William Coke 1850]

bill'ŷ-goat, n. Male goat. [*Billy* male name]

bill'ŷ-(h)ō, n. (Colloq., used in the intensive phr.) like ~; raining like ~ (cats & dogs); fighting like ~ (fiercely). [?]

bilōb'ate, a. With two lobes. [B(-l a), & see LOBE, -ATE²(2)]

bil'tōng, n. Strips of sun-dried meat. [S.-Afr. Du. f. *bil* buttock (from which it is cut) + *long* tongue (which it looks like)]

Bim, n. (colloq.). Inhabitant of Barbados. **bim'**anal, **bim'**anous, na., **bim'**āne, n. (Individual) of the *Bimana* or two-handed order of mammalia, two-handed. [*binane* F f. B(-l a) + L *manus* hand, & see -AL, -OUS]

bimbash'i (-ah-), n. Turkish military captain or commander; British officer in Egyptian service. [Turk., = head of a thousand]

bimētāl'ic a., **bimēt'**allism, n., **bimēt'**allist, n. & a. Of, system of, advocate of, using both gold & silver as legal tender to any amount at fixed ratio to each other. [f. F *binétallique* 1869; see B(-l a), METALLIC, -ISM(3), -IST(2)]

bin, n. Receptacle (orig. of wicker, now usu. fixed, of wood) for corn, coal, dust, bottled wine, etc.; wine from a special ~; || canvas receptacle used in hop-picking. [OE *bin* perh. f. LL *benna* hamper cf. It. *benna* wicker sleigh]

bin-, sometimes used for *bi-* before vowels, perh. on anal. of F *binocle* (f. L *bini*, not *bi-*, oculi) & of a *an*, *co-* *con-*; for meanings see *bi-*.

bin'arŷ, a. Dual, of or involving pairs; (Mus.) ~ *measure*, of two beats to bar; ~ *form*, of movement in two sections; (Astron.) ~ *system*, two stars revolving round common centre or each other; (Chem.) ~ *compound*, of two elements, ~ *theory*, making all acids compounds of hydrogen, all salts similar compounds with metal; (Math.) ~ *scale*, with 2 (not 10) as base of notation. [f. L *binarius* f. *bini* two together]

bin'ate, a. In pairs. [f. L *bini* two together + -ATE²(2)]

binaur'al, a. Of, used with, both ears, as ~ *stethoscope*. [BIN- + AURAL]

bind¹, v.t. & i. (*bound*, pr. bow-; also arch. p.p. in *bounden duty*). Tie; fasten, attach, *to, on*; put in bonds, restrain; fasten or hold together; be obligatory, exercise authority, impose constraint or duty, upon, (pass.) be required by duty *to* (do something); subject to legal obligation (esp. ~ *over to appear, to good behaviour, to keep the peace*; fig., *I'll be bound, go bail for statement*), indenture as apprentice; ratify (~ *the bargain*); make cative; bandage (usu. ~ *up*); wreath (head etc.) *with*, (material) *round, about, on*; edge with braid, iron, etc.; cohere (of snow etc.); (Bookbind.) fasten

(sheets) into stiff, esp. leather, cover (*half-bound*, with leather at back & corners only), ~ *up*, together in one vol. [com.-Teut.; OE *bindan* cf. G *binden* f. Aryan *bhēndh*]

bind², n. Indurated clay between coal strata; (Mus.) curved line between two notes to be held as one; = *BINE*. [f. prec.] **bin'der**, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: book-~; obstetric apparatus; long fencing-withe; tie-beam; through-stone in wall; wisp of straw, part of reaping-machine, for sheaf-binding; loose cover for unbound newspapers etc. [-ER¹]

bin'ding¹, a. Obligatory (*on*). [-ING³]

bin'ding², n. In vbl senses; also, book-cover; braid etc. for protecting raw edges. [-ING¹]

bind'weed, n. Kinds of convolvulus & other climbing plants. [BIND¹ + WEED]

bine, n. Flexible shoot; stem of climbing plant, esp. the hop. [orig. dial. form of BIND², now adopted in its place]

binge (-j), n. (sl.). Drinking-bout, spree. [orig. dial., = *soak*]

binn'acle, n. Box on deck holding compass. [earlier *bittacle* f. Sp. *bitacula* f. L *habituaculum* lodge (*habitare* dwell f. *habere* hold); confusion with BIN]

binóc'ular, a. & n. (Field or opera glass) adapted for two eyes (n. now usu. pl.). [f. L *binī* two together + *oculus* eye + -AR¹]

binóm'ial, a. & n. Consisting of two terms; ~ *theorem*, formula for finding any power of a ~ without multiplying at length; (n.) algebraic expression of two terms joined by + or -. [f. LL *binomius* (= L *binominis*) having two names, f. BI-(1 a) + *nomen* name]

binóm'inal, a. Of two names (esp. ~ *system*, of scientific nomenclature by genus & species). [f. L *binominis* see prec. + -AL]

bin'tūrōng, S.-Asian prehensile-tailed civet. [Malay]

bio-, comb. form of Gk *bios* (course of) life, which meaning it has in actual borrowings f. Gk, as *biography*; in mod. formations it is extended to include organic life (Gk *zōē*).

biochem'istry (-kē-), n. Study of the chemical or physico-chemical processes & products involved in the life phenomena of plants & animals. [prec.]

biogén'esis, n. Hypothesis that living matter arises always from living matter. [prec. + Gk GENESIS]

bi'ograph (-ahf), n. Early form of cinematograph. [trade name of U.S. machine exhibited in London in 1897]

biōg'raphe^e, n. Person whose life is written. [formed as correl. to *biographer* see foll. & -EE]

biōg'raphy, n. Written life of a person, branch of literature dealing with persons' lives; life-course of a living being. Sc **biōg'RAPHER** n., **biograp'hic(Al)** aa., **bio-**

grāph'icaly¹ adv. [f. late Gk *biographia* see BIO-, -GRAPHY]

biōl'ogy, n. Science of physical life, dealing with the morphology, physiology, origin, & distribution, of animals & plants. So **biolō'gic(Al)** aa., **biolō'gic-ally¹** adv., **biōl'ogist** n. [BIO-, -LOGY, -LOGIST]

biōm'étry, n., **biomét'rics**, n. pl. Science of the application of statistical methods to biological facts. So **biomét'ric(Al)** aa., **biométr'icAN** n. [BIO-, -METRY]

biōnōm'ics, n. pl. Branch of biology dealing with the habits of life of organisms in their natural surroundings, relationship of forms of life to one another, etc. (cf. *oecology*). [f. BIO-, after ECONOMICS]

biophýs'ic(s) (-z-), n. pl. Science of the application of the laws of physics to biological phenomena. Hence ~ *IST* (-z-) n. [BIO-]

bi'oplāsm (-zm), **bi'oplāst**, nn. The germinal matter, a small separate portion of it, from which all living things spring. [BIO- + Gk *plasma*, thing moulded, *plastos* moulded (*plastō* to mould)]

bi'oscōpe, n. = *BIOGRAPH*. [BIO-, -SCOPE] **bi'párt'ite**, a. 1. (Bot., of leaves) divided into two parts. 2. (Law, of treaties, contracts, etc.) drawn up in two corresponding parts. [BI-, PARTITE]

bip'ed, a. & n., **bip'edal**, a. Two-footed (animal). [f. L *bipes* -edis f. BI-(1 a) + *pes* *pedis* foot]

bipinn'ate, a. Having lobes that themselves have lobes. [BI-(1 c) + PINNATE]

bip'lāne, n. Two-planed aeroplane. [BI-] **bipól'ar**, a. With two poles or extremities. [BI-(1 a)]

Bipōn'tine, a. Printed at Zwoelbrücken (editions of classics). [BI- two + L *pons pontis* bridge (transl. of the name) + -INE¹]

biquadrāt'ic, a. & n. (Number) of the fourth power, square of a square; ~ (*equation*), in which the unknown quantity is ~. [BI-(1 b)]

bifch¹, n. Kinds of smooth-barked slender-branched northern forest tree; (also ~-rod) bundle of its twigs used for flogging schoolboys etc. Hence ~ *EN¹* a. [OE *berc* = ON *bjork* (whence northern *birk*), & OE *biece* = OHG *biricha*, both f. Aryan *bhergo*-cf. Skr. *bhūrja*]

bifch², v.t. Flog with a birch. [f. prec.]

bifd, n. Feathered vertebrate; game ~, esp. the partridge; (sl.) girl; *little* ~, unnamed informant; *old* ~, wary person; ~ *s of a feather*, people of like character; ~ *in hand*, *in bush*, certainty, contingency; ~ *is flown*, prisoner etc. escaped; *kill two ~s with one stone*, gain two ends at once; *give one, get, the* ~ (sl.), hiss him, be hissed; ~ *of Jove*, eagle, of *Juno*, peacock, of *paradise*, New Guinea family

sulky, threatening, (*~browed*; *~looks*; *look ~*); implying disgrace or condemnation (*~mark*, of discredit against one's name); *~book*, *list*, of persons suspect, tabooed, etc.; *~deep* in one's *~books*, quite out of his favour. 2. *~& blue*, discoloured with bruise; *~& tan*, (dog) so coloured, *B~& Tans*, ex-service recruits of the R.I.C. against Sinn-Felmers 1921 named from mixture of military & constabulary uniforms; *~& white*, ink drawing (*down in ~& white*, recorded in writing or print); *~art*, magic [*~partly* in sense *wicked*, partly by assoc. w. med. L. *nigromantia* corrupt. of *NEBROMANCY*]; *~ball*, used to reject candidate in club ballot, whence *~ball' v.t.*; *~beetle*, cockroach; *~berry*, bramble or its fruit (*plentiful as ~berries*, as can be; *~berrying*, gathering them); *~bird*, European song-bird, kidnapped negro on slave-ship (*~birding*, trade in these); *~board*, in lecture-room for demonstrations in chalk; *~bottom*, an American dance; *~cap*, put on by judge in sentencing to death; *~cap*, kinds of bird, esp. the *B~Warbler*; *~CATTLE*; *~coat worker*, clerk etc. (opp. industrial employee); *~cock*, male (opp. *grey-hen*) of *B~Grouse*; *~coffee* (without milk, usu. strong); *~B~Country*, smoky district in Staffs. etc.; *~dog*, sulks; *~draught*, an aperient; *~eye*, discoloured with bruise, also with dark iris whence *~eyed*² (-id) a.; *~face*, dark-faced sheep; *~fellow*, Australian aboriginal; *~fish*, a species, also salmon just after spawning; *~flag*, used by pirates, also signal of execution completed; *Black'foot* (pl. *-feet*), member of a tribe of N.-Amer. Indians; *~friar*, Dominican; *~frost*, hard frost without snow or rime; *~game*, *B~Grouse* (& see *~cock*); *~guard* (*blag'ard*), (n. & a.) scoundrel(ly), foul-mouthed (person), whence *~guardly*¹ (-ag²) a., (v.t.) call *~guard*, abuse scurrilously [orig. collect. n., applied at various times to menials of royal household, camp-followers, bodyguard, criminal class, & vagrants]; *B~Hand*, secret organization of Italian *~mailers* & thugs in U.S.; *~head*, kinds of bird, esp. kind of gull, (also) kind of pimple on the skin; *~hole*, military lock-up (so *B~Hole of Calcutta*); *~jack*, tarred-leather wine-bottle, also pirates' *~flag*, also flexible loaded life-preserver; *~lead*, (polish with) PLUMBAGO [named from marking like lead]; *~leg*, swindler esp. on turf, || workman who works for master whose men are on strike (v.i. & t., act as *~leg*, betray or injure thus) [orig. of senses unknown]; *~letter*, old type like the German; *~list* (of persons under suspicion, liable to punishment, etc.); *~list* (v.t.), enter name of (person) on *~list*; *~mail*, (Hist.) tribute exacted by freebooters for protection & immunity, (mod., v.t. & n.) (force to make) payment

for not revealing discreditable secrets etc., whence *~mail'er*¹ n. [obs. *mail* rent, OE *mal f*. ON *mal* agreement perh. = OHG *mahal* assembly]; *~Maria*, vehicle for taking prisoners from & to gaol, (also, army sl.) large shell exploding with much smoke; *~market*, illegitimate traffic in officially controlled goods or currencies or in commodities in short supply (*~markeleer*, one who engages in this), place where this traffic is carried on; *~mass*, travesty of the mass said to be used in the cult of Satanism (also Eccl., a Requiem Mass); *~monk*, Benedictine; *~pudding*, sausage-shaped of blood, suet, etc.; *~B~Rod*, gentleman usher of Lord Chamberlain's department, House of Lords, & Garter; *~sheep*, scoundrel; *~shirts*, fascists; *~smilh*, smith working in iron (cf. *whitesmith*); *~thorn*, thorny shrub bearing white flowers before leaves & small plums or sloes (*~thorn winter*, time of its flowering, cold with NE winds), cudgel or walkingstick of this; *~B~Watch*, 42nd Highlanders [f. orig. uniform]; *~water fever*, tropical disease with bloody urine etc. Hence *~ish*¹ (2) a., *~NESS* n. [OE *blac*, *blac*, = OHG *blah*, *blach*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *phlegō* burn] *black*², n. Black colour; black paint, dye, varnish; black speck; fungus, smut, in wheat etc.; particle of soot; black cloth(es); negro or negrito, whence *~y*² n. [f. prec.] *black*³, v.t. Make black; polish with BLACKING; *~out*: obliterate or obscure; obscure (windows etc.) to prevent any light being seen from outside, esp. from the air, also abs.; *~out* n.: *~ing* out or being *~od* out (also attrib., as *~out material*, offences, time); (fig.) condition of obscurity; temporary complete failure of memory; in flying, temporary blindness etc. resulting from centrifugal force when a sudden turn is made (v.i., suffer this). [f. BLACK¹] *black'amoōr*, n. Negro; dark-skinned person. [BLACK¹ + MOOR¹] *black'aved* (-izd) a. (arch.). Dark-complexioned. [BLACK + F *vis* face] *black'en*, v.t. & i. Make, grow, black or dark; speak evil of (person's character). [ME *blaknen* (BLACK¹, -EN²)] *black'ing*, n. In vbl senses; also, paste or liquid for blacking boots. [-ING¹] *bladd'er*, n. Membranous bag in human & other animal bodies (esp. the urinary ~, also gall, air, swimming, ~); the same or part of it prepared for various uses, inflated etc.; (fig.) anything inflated & hollow, wordy man, windbag; inflated pericarp or vesicle in plants & seaweeds (*~wrack*, common seaweed with these in its fronds). Hence *~y*² a. [OE *blādēre*, com.-Teut. cf. G *blatter* f. OTeut. *blādrōn* f. vb st. *blā-* BLOW¹ + *-drōn* instr. suf. cf. Gk *-trōn*]

blāde, *n.* (Vague & poet.) leaf; flat lanceolate leaf esp. of grass & cereals; whole of such plants before ear comes (in the ~); (Bot.) expanded part of leaf apart from foot-stalk; flattened part of instrument, as oar, bat, spade, paddle-wheel; cutting-piece of edged tool, as sword, chisel, knife; sword; (also ~ bone) flat bone, esp. shoulder ~ as joint of meat or otherwise; jovial, hectoring, gay, etc., fellow (usu. with epithet). Hence (-)blād'ED^a *a.* [OE *blæd*; com.-Teut., cf. G *blatt*, perh. partic. form with -*do*-, Aryan -*to*-, f. OTeut. vb st. *blō-blow*³ cf. L *flos*; OE not using *blæd*, but *leaf*, in the vegetable sense, it is likely that the mod. use is a rotransfer f. *sword* ~, helped by med. L *bladum*, OF *bled* (now *blé*), corn]

|| **blae'berry** (blā-), *n.* = HILBERRY. [*blae* livid, dark-blue, the direct descendant of the OTeut. *blæwōz* cf. G *blau* f. which *blue* comes indirectly through F *bleu*]

blague (-ahg), *n.* Humbug, claptrap. [F] ***blah**, *n.* (colloq.). Hyperbolic & frothy talk or writing. [F]

blain, *n.* Inflamed sore on skin, pustule. [OE *blegen* cf. Du. *blein*]

blām'e¹, *v.t.* Find fault with (for offence etc.); fix the responsibility on; be to ~e, deserve censure. Hence ~ABLE *a.*, ~ABLY² *adv.* [f. OF *blāmer*, *blasmer*, f. L as BLASPHEME]

blāme², *n.* Censure; responsibility for bad result (*lay the ~ on, bear the ~*). [f. OF *blāme* cf. prec.]

blāme'ful (-mf-), *a.* (Rare) conveying, (usu.) deserving, censure. [-FUL]

blāme'less (-ml-), *a.* Innocent. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [-LESS]

blāme'worth'y (-mw'rdh-), *a.* Deserving blame. Hence ~INESS *n.*

blanch (-ah-), *v.t.* & *i.* Make white by withdrawing colour, peeling (almonds), or depriving of light (plants); make or grow pale with fear, cold, etc.; ~ over, palliate by misrepresentation. [f. F *blanchir* (blanc BLANK)]

blancmange (blamahnzh-), *n.* Opaque white jelly of isinglass, gelatine, or corn-flour, & milk. [f. OF *blancmanger* white food (blanc BLANK + *manger* eat f. L *manducare* MANDUCATE)]

blānd, *a.* Gentle, polite, in manner; ironical; balmy, mild. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. L *blandus*]

blān'dish, *v.t.* Flatter, coax. Hence ~MENT *n.* (usu. in pl.). [f. F *blandir* (-ISH²) f. L *blandiri* (blandus)]

blānk¹, *a.* Not written or printed on (of paper); (of document) with spaces left for signature or details (in ~, drawn in ~, so prepared; ~ cheque, with amount left for payee to fill in, hence = CATER BLANCK); empty, not filled, (~ space etc.); ~ cartridge, without ball; void of interest, incident, result, or expression;

look ~, nonplussed; unrelieved, sheer; unrhymed (~ *verse*, esp. the five-foot iambic). Hence ~NESS *n.* [f. F *blanc* white, com.-Rom. cf. It. *bianco* f. OHG *blanch* f. OTeut. *blankoz* shining of. BLINK] **blānk**², *n.* Lottery ticket that gains no prize; space left to be filled up in document, empty surface (one's *mind*, *memory* etc., is a ~, has no sensations etc.); words printed in italics in Parl. bills; time without incident, thing without meaning; coin-disk before stamping; ~ ~ cartridge (20 rounds of ~); dash written instead of word or letter, whence ~, ~y, ~ed, as substitutes for abusive nouns and adj. [uses of prec.]

blānk'et¹, *n.* & *a.* 1. Large woollen sheet used for bed covering, for horse-cloth, & by savages for clothes; *wet* ~, person who extinguishes conversation; *born on wrong side of* ~, illegitimate. *2. *adj.* General rather than individual, covering all cases or classes. [f. OF *blanquette* (blanc BLANK + -ETTE)]

blānk'et², *v.t.* Cover with a blanket; stifle, keep quiet, (scandal, question, etc.); toss in a blanket as punishment; take wind from sails of (another craft) by passing to windward. [f. prec.]

blānk'ly, *adv.* Without expression, vacuously, (look ~ etc.); flatly (*deny* ~ etc.). [BLANK¹ + -LY²]

blanquette (blahnkët'), *n.* (cookery). White dish, such as a fricassee with white sauce. [F]

blāre, *v.i.* & *t.*, & *n.* (Mako) sound of trumpet; utter loudly. [perh. imit.; cf. MDu. *blaren*, G *plärren*]

blārn'ey, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* (Usc, assal with) cajoling talk. [Blarney, Irish castle with stone conferring a cajoling tongue on whoever kisses it]

blasé (-ahz'ä), *a.* Cloyed, tired of pleasure. [F]

blāsp'hēm'e¹, *v.i.* & *t.* Talk impiously; utter profanity about, revile. So ~ER²(s), **blās'phēm'y**¹, *nn.*, **blās'phēmous** *a.*, **blās'phēmously**² *adv.* [ME *blasfemen* f. OF *blasfemer* f. L *blasphemare* f. Gk *blasphēmōs* f. *blasphēmos* (blas-etym. dub., perh. *blab*-hurt + *-phēmos*-speaking)]

blast¹ (-ah-), *n.* Strong gust of wind; sound of wind-instrument; current of air in smelting etc. (in, out of, ~, of furnace working or not); quantity of explosive used in blasting operation; destructive wave of highly compressed air spreading outwards from an explosion; ~furnace, smelting furnace into which compressed hot air is driven by engine. [OE *blæst*; com.-Teut. f. OTeut. *blæstus*, f. *blæsan* blow see BLAZE²]

blast² (-ah-), *v.t.* Blow up (rocks etc.) with explosives; wither, shrivel, blight, (plant, animal, limb, prosperity, character; esp., with subj. *God* understood, in curses, whence ~ed, damnable). [f. prec.]

blasto-, first element in many biological terms, meaning germ, bud. [f. Gk *blastos* sprout]

blās'toderm, n. Disk of cells found in the early segmentation of a fertilized ovum (as differentiated from *blastula*, hollow ball of cells, & *morula*, solid ball). [prec. + Gk *derma* skin (*derō* flay, -m)]

blāt'ant, a. Noisy, vulgarly clamorous. Hence ~LY¹ adv., **blāt'ANCY** n. [prob. invented by Spenser, (*F.Q.*, V. xii. 37, ~beast) perh. in sense *bleating*]

blather(skite). See **BLETHER**.

blāze¹, n. Bright flame or fire (in a ~, on fire); (sl.) ~s = hell (go to ~s, what the ~s!; like ~s, impetuously); violent outburst (~ of passion etc.); glow of colour, bright display; full light (~ of publicity). [OE *blaze*, *blæse*, torch, cf. G *blasse* pale, & **BLAZE**²]

blāze², v.i. Burn with flame (~ up, burst into blaze); be brilliantly lighted; burn with excitement etc. (~ up, burst out in anger); show bright colours; emit light; ~ away, fire continuously with rifles etc. work enthusiastically at anything; *blazing indiscretion*, rash & conspicuous piece of candour; (Hunting) *blazing scent*, very strong (opp. to *cold scent*). [f. prec.]

blāze³, n. White mark on horse's or ox's face, or made on tree by chipping bark to mark route. [from 17th c. = ON *blesi* star on horse's forehead, cf. G *blässe* in same sense & G *blasse* pale]

blāze⁴, v.t. Mark (tree, & so path) by chipping bark. [f. prec.]

blāze⁵, v.t. Proclaim as with trumpet, esp. ~ abroad, spread (news) about. [prob. f. ON *blāsa* blow f. OTeut. *blāsan* f. root *blē-* cf. L *flare* BLOW¹]

blāz'er, n. Coloured jacket for boating, golf, etc.; (sl.) outrageous lie. [**BLAZE**¹ + -ER¹]

blāz'on¹, n. Heraldic shield, coat of arms, bearings, or banner; correct description of those; record, description, esp. of virtues etc. [f. F *blason* etym. dub.; orig. meaning shield in lit. sense]

blāz'on², v.t. Describe or paint (arms) heraldically; inscribe (object) with arms, names, etc., in colours or ornamentally; give lustre to; set forth in fitting words; proclaim. Hence **blāz'onment** n. [f. prec. partly confused in sense with **BLAZE**²]

blāz'onr'y, n. (Art of describing or painting) heraldic devices, armorial bearings; brightly coloured display. [prec. + -RY]

-ble, suff. OF f. L *-bilis* forming vbl. adj. active or passive (*penetrabilis* penetrating or penetrable) f. vb or p.p. stems. L has *-ab-*, *-eb-*, *-ib-*, or *-ub-*, acc. to conjug. (-b. also f. p.p. stems as *flexibilis*). F in making new wds uses only *-able*; E vacillates between this & using *-ible* w.

L 3rd-conj. or p.p. stems, *-able* elsewhere; to this confusion, incurable at present, is added that between *-able* & *-eable*; *-eable* is necessary after soft *-c-*, *-g-* (cf. *navigable*, *manageable*); it is also used arbitrarily in some wds to affect the vowel of the previous syllable (*manageable*). See also **-ABLE**, **-IBLE**. The E meaning in new wds is always passive. From adj. in *-ble* are formed nouns in *-bility* (L *-bilitas*, see -TY) as well as in *-bleness*.

bleach, v.t. & i. Whiten by exposure to sunlight or by chemical process; *ing-powder*, (so-called) chloride of lime. Hence ~ER¹ n.; one who ~es (esp. textiles); vessel or chemical used in ~ing; (*usu. pl.) outdoor uncovered plank-seat for spectators at sports grounds. [OE *blæcan*; com.-Teut. f. OTeut. *blaiþjan* cf. OE *blac* pale]

bleak¹, n. Small river fish, & allied sea-fish, of various species. [prob. f. ON *bleikja* f. OTeut. *blaiþjōn* white cf. prec.]

bleak², a. Wanting colour; bare, exposed, windswept; chilly; dreary. [perh. northern form of obs. *bleach*, *bleche*, OE *blæo* variant of *blac* see **BLEACH**]

blear, a., & v.t. (Make) dim-sighted, dull, filmy, (eyes or mind); (make) indistinct in outline; ~-eyed, having ~ eyes or wits. Hence ~Y² a. [ME *blere* adj., etym. dub.]

bleat, v.i. & t., & n. (Mako) sheep's, goat's, or calf's, cry; speak (& ~ out, say) feebly or foolishly. [OE *blætan*, com.-WG f. Du. *blaten*, G *blöken*]

blēb, n. Small blister or bubble on skin, in water or glass. [imit. of making bubble with lips, cf. *blab*, *blubber*]

bleed, v.i. & t. (bled). Emit blood (*heart ~s*, is in acute distress); suffer wounds or violent death (often for cause etc.); (of plants) emit sap; part with money, pay lavishly, suffer extortion; draw blood surgically from; extort money from; || (part., vulg. euphem., cf. *blinking*, *blooming*, for bloody; ~ing heart, pop. name of various plants, as Wallflower. Hence ~ER¹ n., person inclined to ~ excessively from a slight injury. [OE *blēdan* f. OTeut. *blōdþjan* (cf. G *bluten*) f. *blōdom* BLOOD]

blēm'ish¹, v.t. Mar, spoil the beauty or perfection of, sully. [f. OF *blēmir* (-*mer*) f. *blaisme*, *blesme*, *blēme*, *blame*, etym. dub.]

blēm'ish², n. Physical or moral defect, stain, flaw. [f. prec.]

blēnch, v.i. & t. Start aside, flinch, quail; close the eyes to, disguise from oneself. [there is OE *blencan* cheat, & prob. connexion & confusion with **BLINK**]

blēnd¹, v.t. & i. (~-ed or *blend*). Mix (things) together (esp. sorts of tea, spirit, to get certain quality); mingle (t. & i. of element) intimately with; mix (components) so as to be inseparable & indistinguishable; become one form harmonious compound;

pass imperceptibly into each other (esp. of colours). [there is OE *blandan* mix; but ME *blenden* is prob. f. ON *blanda*]

blénd¹, n. Mixture made of various sorts of tea, spirits, etc. [f. prec.]

blénde, n. Native sulphide of zinc. [G *blendendes Erz* deceiving ore 'because while often resembling galena it yielded no lead']

Blén'heim (-énlm), n. & a. Kind of spaniel; || ~ *Orange*, golden-coloured apple. [Duke of Marlborough's seat at Woodstock]

blenno-, **blenn-**, stem of many wds in pathology. Of mucus. [Gk *blennos* mucus]

blénn'y, n. Small spiny-finned sea-fish. [as prec. (through L *blennius*) from mucous coating of its scales]

blént. See BLEND¹.

bléph'aro-, stem of pathological words. Of the eyelids. [f. Gk *blepharon* eyelid]

blés'bók, n. Large S.-African antelope. [Du., f. *bles* BLAZE² (from white mark on forehead) + *bok* goat]

bléss, v.t. (past & p.p. ~ed, sometimes *blest*, & see under BLESSED). Consecrate (esp. food; *not a penny to ~ oneself with*, w. ref. to cross on silver penny); call holy, adore, (God); attribute good fortune to (esp. one's stars); pronounce words that bring supernatural favour upon (of father, priest, etc.); invoke God's favour on; make happy or successful (abs. or with something); *God ~ me, ~ me, God ~ you, ~ you, ~ the boy, ~ my soul, I'm blest*, exclamations of surprise or indignation; (euphem.) = damn, curse, etc. [OE *blódsian*, *blédsian*, *blétsian*; excl. E, but formed on OTeut. *blódisjan* f. *blódm* BLOOD (consecrate by sacrifice); meaning influenced (1) by the word's being used at the Eng. conversion to translate L *benedicere*, (2) by confusion with the independent BLISS]

bléss'éd, **blést**, (for pronunc. see under etym.), a. Consecrated; revered; fortunate; ~ *with*, fortunate in the possession of (esp. iron.); in paradise (esp. as n., *the ~*); blissful, bringing happiness (~ *ignorance* etc.); (euphem.) cursed. [p.p. of prec.; as p.p. & past tense *blessed* is usu. monosyll., as adj. disyll.; of the adj. forms *blessed* is the ordinary, *blest* the poet., also used in some phrr. as *Isles of the Blest*]

bléss'édness, n. Happiness; enjoyment of divine favour; *single ~*, jocular phr. for being unmarried (perversism of Shakespeare. *M.N.D.*, I. i. 78). [prec. + -NESS]

bléss'ing, n. Declaration, invocation, or bestowal, of divine favour; grace before or after food (*ask a ~*); gift of God, nature, etc., thing one is glad of; ~ *in disguise*, unwelcome but salutary experience etc. [BLESS + -ING¹]

bléth'er, **bléth'er**, (-dh-), v.i., & n. (Talk)-loquacious nonsense. Hence *bléth'er-skite*, *bléth'eraskite*, nn. (dial.), *ble-*

thering person. [ME *blather* f. ON *blathra* talk nonsense (*blathr* nonsense); *blather* is the Scotch form adopted from Burns etc.]

blew, past of BLOW^{1,2}.

blew'it (-ō-), n. A late edible mushroom with lilac stem. [prob. f. *blue*, cf. dial. name *blue-legs*]

blight¹ (-it), n. Disease of unknown or atmospheric origin affecting plants; plant disease caused by fungoid parasites, mildew, rust, smut; species of aphid; hazy close state of atmosphere; any obscure malignant influence. [from 17th c., etym. dub.]

blight² (-it), v.t. Exert baleful influence on, nip in the bud, wither, mar. Hence ~ER¹ (-it-) n., esp. (sl.) annoying person. [f. prec.]

|| **Blight'y** (-it-), n. (army sl.). England, home, after foreign service (*a ~ one*, wound that ensures return to ~). [Anglo-Ind. corruption of Hind. *vilayati*, *bilāfi*, European, English (*vilayat* country, cf. Turk. *VILAYET*)]

|| **blim'ey**, int. (vulg.) of surprise etc. [= God blind me!]

blimp, n. 1. Small non-rigid airship. 2. (Col.) *Blimp*, character invented by the cartoonist David Low (b. 1891), representing a pompous, obese, elderly figure pop. interpreted as type of dicator and reactionary. Hence ~ERY (4), ~ishNESS, nn. [!]

blind¹, a. Without sight (~ *of an eye*, having one eye ~; *turn a or one's ~ eye to*, affect not to see); without foresight, discernment, or moral or intellectual light (~ *to*, incapable of appreciating; one's ~ *side*, direction in which one is unguarded); reckless; mechanical, not ruled by purpose, (~ *forces*); hard to trace (~ *track*); (Post Office) ~ *letter*, *man*, *reader*, of ill-addressed letters & the officials dealing with them; concealed (~ *ditch*; ~-*stitch*, sewing visible only on one side, also as v.t. & i. sew thus); ~ *door* etc., walled up; closed at one end (~ *alley*; ~-*alley occupations*, such as fall to fit one for anything further); (sl.) drunk (also ~ *drunk*, ~ *to the world*); ~ *flying*, flying without sight of the ground, or guidance from (directional) wireless signals; ~ *hazard*, *hookey*, card-games; ~-*man's-buff*, game in which blindfold player tries to catch others, who push him about [f. obs. *buff-buffet*]; ~ *stamping*, *tooling* (in book-binding without use of ink or goldleaf); ~-*story*, triforium below clerestory admitting no light; ~ *man's holiday*, time before candles are lighted; ~ *coal*, burning without flame, anthracite; ~-*worm*, = *slow-worm* (f. small size of eyes). [com. Teut.]

blind², v.t. & i. Deprive of sight permanently or temporarily; rob of judge-

ment, deceive; (v.l. sl.) go blindly or heedlessly (chiefly of reckless motorists); ~ing (vbl. n.), process of covering newly made road with fine material to fill interstices, material used for this purpose. [f. prec.]

blind¹, n. Obstruction to sight or light; screen for windows, esp. on roller (*Venetian* ~, of laths running on webbing); (Fortif.) = foll.; pretext, stalking-horse. [f. prec.]

blind²age, n. Screen for troops in fortification, sieges, etc. [-AGE]

blind³föld¹, v.t. Deprive (eyes, person) of sight with bandage (also fig.). (corruption (through notion of folding) of ME *blindfellen* (FELL v.) strike blind, chiefly used in p.p., whence the -d, which helped the confusion)

blind⁴föld², a. & adv. With eyes bandaged; without circumspection. [p.p., earlier *blindfelled* see prec.]

blind⁵ly, adv. Without seeing, gropingly; rocklessly. [-LY²]

blind⁶ness, n. Want of sight; want of intellectual or moral sense, folly, recklessness. [-NESS]

blink¹, v.l. & t. Move the eyelids; look with eyes opening & shutting; shut the eyes for a moment; shine with unsteady light, cast momentary gleam; ignore, shirk consideration of, (esp. the fact); (part., vulg. euphem., cf. *bleeding*, *blooming*, for) bloody. [ME *blinken*, more usu. *blenken*; cf. Du. & G *blinken* perh. f. stem *blík* = shine]

blink², n. Momentary gleam or glimpse; (also ice-) whiteness about horizon, reflection of distant ice-fields. [f. prec.]

blink³er, n. In vbl senses; also, (usu. pl.) screen(s) preventing horse from seeing sideways. [-ER¹]

bliss, n. Gladness, enjoyment; perfect joy, blessedness; being in heaven. Hence ~FUL a., ~FULLY adv., ~FULNESS n. [OE *bliths* (*blithe* BUTHN + O'out. suf. -sǣd); the sense has shifted from earthly to heavenly joy by confusion with BLESS]

blis¹ter, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Vesicle on skin filled with serum, caused by friction, burning, etc.; similar swelling on surface of plant, metal, painted wood; (Med.) anything applied to raise a ~; ~ gas, poison gas causing ~s on skin. 2. vb. Raise ~ on; become covered with ~s; (sl.) bore, waste time of. [ME *blester* perh. f. OF *blestre* f. ON *blástr* swelling (*blása* to blow)]

blithe (-dh), a. Gay, joyous, (chiefly poet.). Hence ~LY¹ (-dh-) adv., ~SOME (-dhs-) adj. [OE *blithe*, com.-Teut., cf. OHG *blīd* perh. f. vb st. *blī* = shine]

blith²ering (-dh-), a. (colloq.). Senselessly talkative; consummate (~ *idiot*); contemptible. [part. of *blither*, var. of *blithen*]

blitz, n., & v.t., (colloq.). 1. Intensive

(esp. air) attack. 2. v.t. Damage or destroy in ~ (esp. in pass., as ~ed areas, cities). [abbr. of foll.]

blitz³krieg (-krög), n. A violent campaign intended to bring about speedy victory. [G. = lightning war]

blizz⁴ard, n. Blinding snow-storm. [first common in U.S. newspapers in severe winter 1880-1; imit., cf. *blow*, *blast*, *blind*, & see -ARD]

bloat¹, v.t., **bloat²er**, n. Cure (herring) by salting & smoking slightly into bloated herring or bloater. [f. obs. adj. *bloat* ME *blote* perh. = ON *blautr* soaked]

bloat³, v.t. & i., **bloat⁴ed**, a. Inflate, swell (t. & i.); (chiefly in p.p. as adj.) puffed up, esp. with gluttony, overgrown, too big, pampered (esp. *bloated aristocrat*, *armaments*). [f. obs. adj. *bloat* ME *blout*, *blout*, perh. variant of ME *blote* see prec.]

blöb, n. Drop of liquid; small roundish mass; spot of colour; (Cricket) = duck's egg. [imit., cf. BLEB]

blöbb⁵er-lipped (-ip), a. With thick protruding lips. [imit., cf. BLEB; *blabber*, *blubber*, are found in same sense]

blöc, n. Combination of parties to support a government; (transf.) combination of nations, groups, etc., to foster a particular interest, as *sterling* ~ (of countries with currencies tied to sterling). [F. = BLOCK¹]

blöck¹, n. 1. Log of wood, tree-stump, (*chip of old* ~, child like his father esp. in character; *cut ~s with razor*, waste ingenuity etc.); large piece of wood for chopping or hammering on (*the* ~, death by beheading) or mounting horse from; mould for shaping hats on, shape; *barber's* ~, wooden head for wigs. 2. Pulley, system of pulleys mounted in case. 3. Piece of wood engraved for printing. 4. Bulky piece of anything; unhewn lump of rock; prepared piece of building-stone. 5. Compact mass of buildings bounded by (usu. four) streets (~buster sl., huge bomb capable of destroying this). 6. Stolid or hard-hearted person, whence ~ISH² a. 7. Obstruction, (Parl.) notice that a bill will be opposed, which prevents its being taken at certain times & so often kills it; || (Traffic) jammed vehicles unable to proceed; ~ system on railways, by which no train may enter a section till it is clear. 8. (Cricket) spot on which batsman blocks ball & rests bat before playing. 9. Tract of land offered to individual settler by government. 10. Large quantity of shares etc. 11. (Austral.) fashionable city promenade. 12. ~chain, kind of endless chain used in bicycle etc.; ~head, dolt; ~house, detached fort (orig. one blocking passage), sometimes one of connected chain of posts, also one-storeyed timber building with loopholes, also house of squared logs; || ~ letters,

writing (with each letter separate as in print, & usu. in capitals); ~ *tin*, refined tin cast in ingots. [prob. f. *F* *bloc*, which is perh. f. OHG *bloh* (G *block*)]

blöck¹, v.t. Obstruct (passage etc.); put obstacles in way of (progress etc.); ~ *up*, in, confine; (Parl.) announce opposition to (bill; see *prec.*); (Cricket) stop (ball) with bat; shape (hats); emboss (book cover); ~ *out*, in, sketch roughly, plan, (work). [f. *F* *bloquer* f. *bloc* see *prec.*]

blöckade¹, n. Shutting-up, total or on land or sea side, of a place by hostile forces in order to starve it into surrender or prevent egress & ingress (*paper* ~, one declared but not made effective; *raise* ~, cease blockading, compel blockaders to cease; *run* ~, evade blockading force; ~-*runner*, ship, captain, etc., doing this); imprisonment by snow etc. [f. *prec.* on anal. of *F* wds in -ADE]

blöckäde², v.t. Subject to blockade (see *prec.*); obstruct (door, view, etc.). Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. *prec.*]

blöke, n. (colloq.). Man, fellow, chap; dull or rustic person; *the* ~ (Nav. sl.), ship's commander. [?]

blönd, **blönde** (see *etym.*), a. & n. (Of hair) light-auburn-coloured; (of complexion) fair (n., person with such hair & skin); (also ~ *lace*) silk lace of two threads in hexagonal meshes (orig. of raw-silk colour, now white or black). [f. *F* *blond* fem. *blonde* cf. It. *biondo*; OE *blanden*-*feaz* grizzled (*blandan* blend), & the ancient-German custom of dyeing hair yellow, suggest a deriv.; *blonde* is used of the lace, & of the adj. & n. as applied to a woman, *blond* elsewhere]

blönd¹ (blūd), n. 1. Red liquid circulating in veins of higher animals, corresponding liquid in lower animals, (*flesh* & ~, the animal nature; *let* ~, surgically); (fig.) sap, grape-juice, etc. 2. Taking of life, murder, sacrifice, guilt of bloodshed. 3. Passion, temperament, mettle, (*bad* ~, ill feeling; *his* ~ *is up*, he is in fighting mood; ~ *out of a stone*, pity from the pitiless; *in cold* ~, deliberately). 4. Race (*blue* ~, high birth; *fresh* ~, new members admitted to family, society, etc.; ~ *royal*, royal family; *Prince* etc. of *the* ~ *royal* or of *the* ~, of royal race; *runs in the* ~, is a family trait). 5. Relationship, relations, (*own flesh* & ~; ~ *is thicker than water*, the tie of kindred is real); descent, good parentage, (of men, horses, etc.; *bit of* ~, ~-*horse*, thoroughbred). 6. Dandy, man of fashion, (*young* ~, either in this sense, or as personal form of *fresh* ~ above, ~-younger member of party). 7. ~ & *iron*, relentless use of force (esp. as motto of Bismarckian policy); ~ *ally*, red-veined ALLY²; ~ *feud*, between families of which one has spilt the other's ~; ~ *guilty*, responsible for murder or death; ~-*heat*, ordinary heat

of ~ in health, 98.4° F.; ~ *hound*, large keen-scented dog with which cattle, slaves, etc., used to be tracked, detective, spy; ~ *letting*, surgical removal of some of patient's ~, (façet). ~shed; ~-*money*, reward to witness for securing capital sentence, fine paid to next of kin for slaughter of relative; ~ *orange*, with red juice; ~-*poisoning*, state resulting from introduction of septic matter into ~ esp. through wound; ~-*red*, red as ~; ~-*relation*, one related by ~, not marriage; ~shed, spilling of ~, slaughter [f. *phr.* *to shed* ~]; ~-*shot*, (of eye) suffused, tinged, with ~ (see *things bloodshot*, find incitements to slaughter or traces of ~ in them); ~-*stained*, stained with ~, disgraced by bloodshed; ~-*stone*, kinds of precious stone spotted or streaked with red, esp. Heliotrope; ~-*stock*, thoroughbred horses collectively; ~-*sucker*, leech, extortioner; ~-*thirsty*, eager for ~shed, whence ~-*thirstiness* n.; ~-*vessel*, flexible tube (vein or artery) conveying ~; ~-*worm*, bright-red kind used in fishing; ~-*wort*, kinds of plant with red roots or leaves, esp. Bloody Dock. [OE *blōd*, com.-Teut., cf. G *blut* f. OTeut. *blōdm*]

blood² (blūd), v.t. (Surg.) remove a little of the blood of (usu. bleed); allow first taste of blood to (hound); also fig. of inciting persons). [f. *prec.*]

blood'less (-ū-), a. Without blood; unfeeling; pale; without bloodshed, whence ~LY² adv. [-LESS]

bloody¹ (blūd'ū), a. & adv. Of, like, running or smeared with, blood (~ *nose*, bleeding; ~ *flux*, dysentery); red (~ *hand*, armorial device of baronet); involving, loving, resulting from, bloodshed; (also ~- *minded*) sanguinary, cruel; || (in foul language) = *damned* etc., or as mere intensive (*not a ~ one*); || (similarly as adv.) = *confoundedly*, *very*; (in pop. plant names) *B ~ Finger*, Foxglove. Hence **blood'ily**² adv., **blood'iness** n. [OE *blōdig*, com.-Teut. cf. G *blutig*; see *BLOOD*, -Y¹]

bloody² (blūd'ū), v.t. Make bloody, stain with blood. [f. *prec.*]

blööm¹, n. Flower, esp. of plants grown or admired chiefly for the flower, florescence (in ~); prime, perfection; flush, glow; powdery deposit on grapes, plums, etc., freshness, (*take the ~ off*, stale); kind of raisin. [ME *blom* f. ON *blóm* cf. G *blume* f. OTeut. *blōmon*- f. vb st. *blō-blow*² + *suft*, -*mon*-]

blööm², v.i. Bear flowers, be in flower; come into, be in, full beauty; culminate, flourish. [f. *prec.*]

blööm³, n. Mass of puddled iron hammered or squeezed into thick bar. [OE *blōma* in same sense]

blööm⁴, v.t. Make (puddled iron) into a **blööm**⁴. Hence ~ERY (3) (also ~ary) n. [f. *prec.*]

blööm'er¹, n. & a. (Female costume) o short skirt & trousers (as n., usu. pl.), (n. pl.) knickerbockers worn by girls & women for cycling, games, etc., with or without skirt. [Mrs B~, American in ventor]

blööm'er¹, n. (sl.). Blunder. [-*blooming* (see foll.) *error*; -*ER*¹]

blööm'ing, a. In vbl senses (*BLOOM*²); also sl., euphemistic substitute for vulgar BLOODY. [-*ING*¹]

Blöoms'bury (-zberf), n. Part o London containing British Museum formerly a fashionable residential (& now a literary) quarter.

blöss'om¹, n. Flower, esp. as promising fruit; mass of flowers on fruit-tree etc. (in ~); early stage of growth, promise ~-faced, ~-nosed, bloated. Hence ~-*r*¹, ~-*LESS*, aa. [OE *blöstm* prob. f. same root as *BLOOM*¹ (*blo*- extended to st. *blos*-, cf. *L flos*, or with double suf. -*et* + *m*)]

blöss'om¹, v.i. Open into flower (lit., & fig., as ~ *out into a statesman*). [OE *blöstmian* cf. prec.]

blöt¹, n. Spot of ink etc., dark patch; disfigurement, blemish, defect; disgraceful act or quality in good character. [f. 14th c., etym. dub.; cf. ON *blött*, Da. *plet*; there was 16th-c. F *blotie* clod, *blotter* to stain]

blöt¹, v.t. & i. (-tt-). Spot with ink; smudge; (of pen, ink) make blots; cover with worthless writing; sully, detract from, (fair fame); ~ *out*, obliterate (writing), exterminate, destroy; dry with ~-*ting*-paper, absorbent paper for drying wet ink-marks (~-*ting*-book, -*case*, -*pad*, arrangements of this), whence ~-*t*¹_{ER}¹ (2) n. [f. prec.]

blöt¹, n. Exposed piece in backgammon; weak point in strategy etc. [etym. dub.; cf. Da. *blot* naked, G *bloss*]

blötch, n. Inflamed patch, boil, etc., on skin; dab of ink or colour. Hence ~-*pt*¹ (-cht), ~-*r*¹, aa. [f. 1600; exol. E, perh. compounded f. *blot* & *botch* or *patch*]

blottésque¹ (-sk), a. & n. (Piece of painting or description) done with heavy blotted touches. [-*ESQUE*]

blött'ö, a. (sl.). Fuddled with drink. [f]

blouse¹ (-owz), n. Workman's loose linen or cotton upper garment usu. belted at waist (chiefly French); woman's loose light bodice visible only to waist, & there belted. [F. etym. dub.]

blow¹ (-ö), v.i. & t. (*blew* pr. *blöw*; ~-*n* & in sense 'cursed', ~-*ed*). (Of wind, air, 'it') move along, act as air-current, (~ *great guns*, violent gale); send strong air-current from mouth (~ *hot & cold*, vacillate), puff, pant; make or shape (bubble, glass) by ~ing; (of whales) eject air & water; (of electr. fuse) melt when overloaded; cause air-current by means of (~ *bellows*); work bellows of (organ);

exhaust of breath (esp. in pass.); send out by breathing (~ *air into*; ~ *off steam*, get rid of superfluous energy); (with advv. & prepp.) drive, be driven, by ~ing (~ *over*, pass off; ~ *in* sl., come in breezily, drop in); sound (wind instrument, note or signal on or with it, or with it as subject to *blow* t. or i.; ~ *one's own trumpet*, praise oneself); direct air-current at (~ *fingers*, *fire*; ~ *out*, extinguish); clear by air-current (nose, egg); break in or send flying off or out or up by explosion (~ *out* one's *brains*, shoot him, or usu. oneself); ~ *up*, inflate, shatter or be shattered by explosion, reprove; (sl.) betray; (of flies) deposit eggs in; (sl.) curse, confound, (*I'll be ~ed* if etc.); ~ *the expense*, spend recklessly; (sl.) squander, spend (sum) recklessly; ~ *upon*, stale, discredit, tell tales of; ~ *ball*, seed-head of dandelion etc.; ~ *fly*, the Meat fly; ~ *hole*, nostril of whale etc., vent for air, smoke, etc., in tunnel etc.; ~ *lamp* (for directing condensed heat on a selected spot); ~ *pipe*, tube for heating flame by blowing air or other gas into it, tube used in glass-blowing, Amer.-Ind. dart tube. [OE *blöwan* cf. OHG *blahan* f. OTent. *blājan* cf. *L flare*]

blow¹ (-ö), n. Blowing, taste of fresh air; blowing of flute, one's nose, etc.; = *FLY*¹-*blow*; ~-*out*, burst in a pneumatic tire, (Electr.) blowing of a fuse, (sl.) abundant meal or feed. [f. prec.]

blow¹ (-ö), v.i. (*blew* pr. *blöw*, ~-*n*). Burst into, be in, flower. [OE *blöwan* cf. OHG *bluojan*, G. *blühen*, f. OTent. *blōjan* cf. *L flos*]

blow¹ (-ö), n. Blossoming (in full ~ etc.) [f. prec.]

blow¹ (-ö), n. Hard stroke with fist, instrument, etc.; disaster, shock; *come to*, *exchange*, ~s, fight; *strike a ~ for*, *against*, help, oppose; *at one ~*, in one operation. [f. 15th c., etym. dub.]

blow'er (-öer), n. In vbl senses of *BLOW*¹,²; also: apparatus for increasing a fire's draught, esp. sheet of iron before grate-front; escape of gas, or fissure allowing it, in coal mine. [*BLOW*¹, -*ER*¹]

blow'y (-öi), a. Windy, wind-swept. [*BLOW*¹, -*r*¹]

blowzed (-zd), **blowz'y**, aa. Red-faced, coarse-looking, dishevelled. [f. obs. n. *blowze* beggar's wench, etym. dub., but suggesting *blush* & *blow*]

blüb, v.i. (-bb-; sl.). Shed tears. [short for *BLUBBER*¹]

blübb'er¹, n. Whale fat; jelly-fish (sailor's name); weeping. [ME *blaber*; prob. init. (obs. meanings *foaming*, *bubble*), cf. *BLEB*, *BUBBLE*]

blübb'er¹, a. Swollen, protruding, (of lips). [as prec.]

blübb'er¹, v.t. & i. Utter with sobs, weep noisily; wet, disfigure, swell, (flesh) with weeping. [as-prec.]

bluchers

bluchers (blóok'era), n. pl. Old-fashioned low boots or high shoes. [named after the Prussian Field Marshal *Blücher*]
blüdg'eon (-tjñ), n. & v.t. (Strike repeatedly with) heavy-headed stick. [etym. dub.; from 18th c. only]
blue¹ (blóó), a. Coloured like the sky or deep sea (also of things much paler, darker, etc., as smoke, distant hills, moonlight, bruise; & qualified by or qualifying other colours etc., as ~black, deep ~, NAVY ~, Prussian ~); look ~, nervous, depressed (things looked ~, depressing); ~funk, uncontrollable fear; true ~, faithful; dressed in ~ (*Foot-Guards B~*); the B~ (*Squadron*), one of three divisions (Red, White, B~) of Navy; belonging to a particular political party, usu. Tory; (of women) learned (see *BLUESTOCKING*); (of talk etc.) indecent; drink till all's ~, to drunkenness. ~bell, (Scotland & N. Eng.) light-blue-flowered *Campanula* growing in dry places & flowering in summer & autumn, harebell, (S. Eng.) wild hyacinth with blue or white flower growing in moist places & flowering in spring; ~ blood, high birth; ~book, || Parliamentary or Privy-Council report, *book giving personal details of U.S. government officials; ~bottle, B~ Cornflower, Meat fly or Blowfly; || ~coat boy, scholar in charity school, esp. Christ's Hospital; ~ devils, depression; ~ gum, kind of eucalyptus tree; || ~jackel, seaman in Navy; *~laus, severe Puritanic laws alleged to have been in force among early colonists of Connecticut; ~ light, flare with bluish light used for signals; B~ Mantle, one of four pursuivants of College of Arms; once in a ~ moon, very rarely; ~ mould, in certain cheeses when mature; ~ murder (colloq. in intensive phrr. as like ~ murder, at top speed); B~ nose (colloq.), Nova-Scotian; ~ pencil, used in marking corrections, obliterations, etc.; ~pencil v.t., mark etc. with a ~ pencil, make cuts in, censor; B~ Peter, ~ flag with white square, hoisted before sailing; ~ pill, mercurial & antibilious; ~ print, ~ photographic print representing final stage of engineering or other plans, (fig.) plan, scheme; ~ ribbon, ribbon of the Garter, greatest honour in any sphere, sign of totalitarianism; ~ rock, kind of pigeon; ~ ruin, bad gin; ~stocking, woman having or affecting literary tastes & learning [Blue Stocking Society (in sense 'not in full evening dress') name given to meetings about 1750 at houses of Mrs. Montague etc. to talk on literature etc. instead of playing cards; blue-worsted, i.e. ordinary, stockings were worn by some of the men attending instead of black silk; ~stone, sulphate of copper; ~ water, open sea; ~water school, strategists regarding the fleet as sufficient defence

blunt

for Gt Britain. Hence blu'ish¹ (2) (blóó-) a., ~ness (-óon-) n. [ME blew f. OF bleu f. OHG bláw- f. OTent. bláwos, cf. L flavus]
blue² (blóó), n. B~ colour (*Oxford~*, dark; *Cambridge ~*, light; the light, dark, ~s, representatives or supporters of Cambridge, Oxford, in sporting contests); ~ pigment; ~ powder used by laundresses; ~ cloth etc.; the sky (BOLT¹ from the ~); the sea; (pl.) the Royal Horseguards; the Blues or Blues trot, dance of fox-trot kind; colour, member, of a political party; || (badge given to) one who has represented his university in athletics etc.; =BLUM¹ stocking; (pl.) the dumps. [f. prec.]
blue³ (blóó), v.t. Make blue; treat with laundress's blue; (sl.) squander (money). [f. BLUM¹]
Blue beard (blóó-), n. Husband of many wives. [hero of popular story, who hung up in locked chamber the bodies of his murdered wives]
blüff¹, a. With perpendicular broad front (of ship's bows, cliffs); (of person, manner) abrupt, blunt, frank, hearty. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [naut. wd, etym. dub., but cf. MDu. blaf, flat, broad]
blüff², n. Headland with perpendicular broad face. [f. prec., & see foll.]
blüff³, v.t. & i. (Game of poker) impose upon (opponent) as to value of one's hand & induce him to throw up his cards; treat (political opponents or rival States) so; practise this policy. [earlier meaning, hoodwink (lit.); the prec. n. also meant earlier horse's blinker; etym. dub.]
blüff⁴, n. Overbearing demeanour, threats designed to operate without action. [f. prec.]
blün'der¹, v.i. & t. Move blindly, stumble, (often on, along); ~ upon, find by fluke; make gross mistake; mismanage (a business etc.); ~ out, utter thoughtlessly; ~ away, waste by mismanagement. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ingLY¹ adv. [ME blondren, perh. f. obs. blond, bland, mix, cf. BLEND, +ER¹]
blün'der², n. Stupid or careless mistake. [prob. f. prec., but found earlier]
blün'derbüß, n. Ancient short gun with large bore firing many balls. [perverted f. Du. donderbus thunder gun (orig. box of G. buchse)]
blün'derhead (-héd), n. =DUNDERHEAD (cf. prec.)
blünge (-j), v.t. (Pottery) mix (clay, flint-powder, etc.) up with water by revolving machinery. [after plunge, blend]
blünt¹, a. & n. 1. Dull, not sensitive; without edge or point; plain-spoken; hence ~ER¹ (2) a. 2. n. Short thick needle; (sl.) ready money. [f.]
blünt², v.t. Make less sharp or sensitive. [f. prec.]

blunt'ly, adv. Obtusely (shaped etc.); rudely, curtly. [-LY²]

blunt'ness, n. Dullness of point or edge; outspokenness. [-NESS]

blūr¹, n. Smear of ink etc.; dimness, confused effect. [etym. dub., perh. formed on *blear* & *blot*]

blūr², v.t. & i. (-rr-). Smear (clear writing etc.) with ink etc.; sully, disfigure; make indistinct; efface; dim (perception etc.). [as prec.]

blūr³, n. Publisher's eulogy of book printed on jacket or in advertisements elsewhere. [orig. U.S. sl.]

blūr⁴, v.t. Burst out with, utter abruptly. [imit. after *blow*, *spurt*, etc.]

blūsh¹, v.i. Become red (in the face; also with face etc. as sub.) with shame or other emotion (at sight or word, with or for joy or shame, for another); be ashamed (~ to own etc.); be red, pink. Hence ~ing¹ adv. [ME *blusche*, *blosche*, *blysche*, OE *blisian*; cf. wds in ON & LG pointing to a st. *blusi*-f. vb root *blus-glow* (Du. *blozen* bluish)]

blūsh², n. Glance, glimpse, (at the first ~, prima facie); reddening of face in shame etc. (put to the ~); rosy glow, flush of light; ~, pink, rosy, (~rose, ~tint, etc.). [f. prec.]

blūs'ter¹, v.i. & t. Storm boisterously (of wind, waves, persons); (trans. with out, forth) utter overbearingly; (refl.) storm (oneself) into (anger etc.). Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ing¹ adv. [perh. imit. on *blow*, *blast*, etc.; ME *blastre* stray is prob. separate]

blūs'ter², n. Boisterous blowing, noisy self-asserting talk, threats. Hence ~ous, ~y¹, aa. [f. prec.]

bō¹, boh (bō), int. used to startle (*can't say bo to a goose*, of shy or timid person).

***bō²**, n. (Hailing word corresponding to) mate, old chap. [?]

bō'a, n. S.-Amer. genus of large non-poisonous snakes killing by compression (pop. extended to Old-World pythons; so also ~ constrictor, prop. a Brazilian species of ~); lady's long fur or feather throat-wrap. [?]

Bōanēr'gēs (-z), n. Loud-voiced preacher or orator. [Gk, f. Heb. *b'ney regesh* sons of thunder (Mark III, 17)]

boar (bōr), n. Male uncastrated pig; its flesh; ~'s head, esp. as dish at Christmas or on festive occasion. [OE *bār* cf. G *bär* etym. dub.]

board¹ (bōrd), n. 1. Long thin usu. narrow piece of sawn timber (strictly, over 4 in. broad, under 2½ thick); wooden slab (of one or more breadths of ~ bare or covered with leather etc.) used for various purposes, as in games, for posting notices, etc.; (pl.) the stage (on the ~s, employed as actor); thick stiff paper used in bookbinding (covered with paper, 'in ~s', or cloth, 'cloth ~s'), & for other purposes. 2. Table (only in spec. senses

or contexts); above ~, open(ly); sweep the ~, take all the cards or stakes; table spread for meals (*bed & ~*, conjugal relations; *groaning ~*, plentiful meal); food served, daily meals provided at contract price or in return for services (~money, wages, servant's pay in lieu of food; esp. ~ & lodging); council-table, councillors, committee; ||B~ of Trade, B~ (now Ministry) of Education, Local Government B~, government departments; Road B~, for construction & improvement of roads; ~school (before 1902), managed by ~ according to Elementary Education Act of 1870. 3. Ship's side (only in spec. phrases, cf. over~, go by the ~, (of masts etc.) fall over~, on ~ = ABOARD (in various senses), usu. now on or into ship (orig. meaning within the sides, not on the deck), train, coach, etc. 4. Tack (naut.). [OE *bord* mixture of two com.-Tent. words meaning (1) board (2) border, respectively f. O.Tent. *bordom* & *bordoz*; the second was further adopted in F & returned with spec. developments]

board² (bōrd), v.t. & i. 1. (f. prec. = wood) cover with boards (~ up, close with ~s). 2. (f. prec. = table) provide (lodger or daily guest) with, receive, stated meals at fixed rate; examine before a medical board (~out v.t., invalid out of army etc.); ~ with, be entertained for pay in the house of. 3. (f. prec. = ship's side) come alongside (usu. to attack); force one's way on board (ship or abs.); embark on. 4. (Of ship) tack. [f. prec., with influence of f' *aborder*]

board'er (bōr-), n. One who boards with someone (prec. 2), esp. schoolboy at boarding-school. [prec. + -ER¹]

board'ing (bōr-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: erection of boards; ~house, -school, in which persons, boys, board (BOARD², 2); || ~out, (intr.) feeding elsewhere than at home, (trans.) placing (destitute children) in families; ~ship (examining neutrals for contraband). [BOARD^{1,2} + -ING¹]

boast¹, n. Vain-glorious statement; self-exaltation in words; fact one is proud of; make ~ of, announce proudly. Hence ~FUL a., ~FULLY¹ adv., ~fulness n. [ME *boest* etym. dub.]

boast², v.i. & t. Extol oneself (also refl.), brag of or about; vaunt, brag of, brag that; possess as thing to be proud of. Hence ~ER¹ n. [ME *boesten* as prec.]

boat¹, n. Small open oared or sailing vessel, fishing-vessel, mail packet, or small steamer (*take ~*, embark; *have oar in everyone's ~*, of busybodies; *in the same ~*, with like risks etc.); ~shaped utensil for sauce etc.; ~hook, long pole with hook & spike; ~house, shed at water's edge for keeping ~; ship's ~, carried on board ship; ~train, timed to catch or meet steam packet; ~fly, water-bug swimming on water on its

back; ~*man*, hirer-out or rower or sailer of ~ for hire; ~*bill*, S.-Amer. heron; ~*race*, between rowing boats; ~*swain* (bō'sm), ship's officer in charge of sails, rigging, etc., & summoning men to duty with whistle [late OE *bātsweigen*, cf. Icel. *svæinn* & see SWAIN]. Hence ~*AGE* (4), ~*FUL* (2), nn. [OE *bāt* cf. ON *bēit* and (f. the OE) *bātr*; borrowed in other Teut. langg. f. these, & possibly in Rom. also (F *bateau* etc.)]

boat², v.i. & t. Go in a boat, amuse oneself so (~*ing man*); place, carry, in a boat. Hence ~*ER*¹ n., hard straw hat (as worn in ~ing). [f. prec.]

bōb¹, n., & v.t. (-bb-). Weight on pendulum, plumb-line, or kite-tail; knot of hair, tassel-shaped curl (~*wig*, also ~, with short curls, opp. to full-bottomed; cf. CHERRY-bob); horse's docked tail; bunch of lob-worms; (Metre) short line at end of stanza; (vb) cut (woman's hair) to hang short of shoulders (wear it ~bed), (n.) ~bod hair. [etym. dub.; f. 14th c.]

bōb², v.i. (-bb-). Fish (for eels) with bunch (cf. prec.) of lob-worms.

bōb³, v.i. (-bb-). Move up & down, dance, rebound; ~ *up like a cork*, become active or conspicuous again after defeat; catch with the mouth (for cherries etc. floating or hanging); curtsy. [etym. dub.; cf. BOB^{1,2}]

bōb⁴, n. Jerk, bounding movement; curtsy; (Bellringing) kinds of change in long peals (*treble* ~ in which treble bell has a dodging course, ~ *minor* on 6 bells, *triple* on 7, *major* on 8, *royal* on 10, *maximus* on 12). [f. prec.]

|| **bōb**⁵, n. *Dry, wet*, ~, cricketing, boat-*ing*, Etonian; *light* ~, soldier of light infantry. [prob. = Robert]

|| **bōb**⁶, n. (sl.; pl. same). Shilling. [etym. dub.; quoted f. 1812]

bōb⁷, v.t. (-bb-). Rap, jerk. [ME *loben* etym. dub.]

Bōb⁸/adil, n. Braggart. [Jonson, *Every Man in his Humour*]

bōbb⁹/erý, n. & a. 1. Disturbance, row, fuss. 2. adj. Noisy, troublesome, skittish, (~ *pack*, scratch pack of hounds & dogs of various breeds, usu. for hunting jackals). [Hind. *bap re* O father! int. of dismay]

bōbb¹⁰/in, n. Cylinder for holding thread, yarn, wire, etc., & giving it off as wanted, reel, spool; small bar & string for raising door-latch. [f. F *bobine*]

bōbb¹¹/inēt, n. Machine-made cotton net imitating lace made with bobbins on pillow. [prec., *net*]

bōbb¹²/ish, a. (sl.). Brisk, well, (esp. *pretty* ~). [BOB⁹ + -ISH¹ (2) irregularly appended to vb]

|| **bōbb**¹³/ý, n. (sl.). Policeman. [as BOB⁹ + -Y¹ (Sir Robert Peel, Home Sec. 1828)]

***bōb**¹⁴/cāt, n. American lynx. [BOB¹ (from shortness of tail)]

bōb¹⁵/olink, n. N.-Amer. songbird. [imit., cf. *cuckoo*]

bōb¹⁶/slēd, -sleigh (slā), n. Two short sleighs coupled, used for drawing logs, & in tobogganing. [U.S. & Canadian wd, now also Anglo-Swiss]

bōb¹⁷/stay, n. Rope holding bowsprit down. [f]

bōb¹⁸/tail, n. & a. Docked tail; with this; horse or dog with this; *tag-rag* & ~, the rabble. [BOB¹]

bocár¹⁹/dō, n. Logical formula, see BAR-BARA.

Böche (-sh), n. & a. (sl.). (Contempt for) German. [F, perh. abbr. of *Alboche* (*Allemand* German & -*boche* substituted in contempt for other endings)]

böck, n. Strong dark-coloured German beer; (loosely) a glass of (any) beer. [F, f. G *bock* (in full *bockbier* f. *Einbecker bier* f. *Einbeck* in Hanover)]

bōde, v.t. & i. Foresee, foretell, (evil); portend, foreshow; promise well or ill. Hence **bōd**¹/ingly² adv., ~*MENT* (-dm-) n. [OE *bōdian* f. *bōda* messenger, cf. ON *botha*]

bōde²/ful (-df-), a. Ominous. [mod. formation f. prec. or obs. n. *bode* omen + *FUL* (1)]

bodēg³/a, n. Cellar or shop selling wine only. [Sp., f. L f. Gk *apothēkē* see APOTHECARY]

bōd⁴/ice, n. Close-fitting upper part of woman's dress, down to waist; also, inner vest over stays. [orig. pair of *bodies* (cf. pair of stays), being a whalebone corset; now spelt & understood as sing.; cf. BAIZE & (perh.) ACCIDENT]

bōd⁵/ied (-did), a. Possessed of body or a body, embodied; esp. in comb., as *full* ~, *able* ~. [BODY¹ + -ED¹]

bōd⁶/iless, a. Incorporal; separated from the body. [-LESS]

bōd⁷/ily¹, a. Of, affecting, the human body or physical nature; ~ *fear*, of physical harm. [BODY¹ + -LY¹]

bōd⁸/ily², adv. In the body, in person; with the whole bulk, as a whole. [BODY¹, -LY²]

bōd⁹/kin, n. Pointless thick needle with large eye for drawing tape etc. through hem; long pin for fastening hair; person squeezed between two others (*ride, sit, ~*). [etym. dub.; earlier *boydekin*]

Bōdlean (-lē'an), a. & n. *The* ~ (library), the Oxford University Library, founded by Sir Thomas Bodley. [-IAN]

bōd¹⁰/ý¹, n. 1. Man or animal as material organism (*keep ~ & soul together*, remain alive); corpse (~*snatcher*, exhumers of corpses for dissection); ~ of Christ, sacramental bread; ~*servant*, valet; ~*guard*, (rarely, member of) dignitary's retinue, escort, personal guard. 2. Trunk, main portion (stem, hull, nave, etc., acc. to context); upper garment (minus sleeves & collar, or = bodice); document minus preamble etc.; majority. 3. Human

- being, person, (*heir of one's ~, good sort of ~, any ~, etc.*); *~line bowling* (Cricket), fast bowling delivered persistently on the leg side. 4. Aggregate of persons or things (*in a ~, all together; ~ politic, State*); society, league, military force; collection of precepts, information, etc. 5. Piece of matter (*heavenly ~, sun, star, etc.*), quantity; comparative solidity or substantial character (*~colour, opaque; wine of good ~*), thing perceptible to senses. [OE *bodig*; now excl. E, unless = G *botlich* cask, referred to mod. L *butica* f. Gk *apothēkē* see APOTHECARY]
- bōd'ý²**, v.t. 1. Provide with body (rare). 2. (Usu. with *forth*) give mental shape to; exhibit in outward shape; typify. [f. prec.]
- Boeotian** (bōd'shn), a. & n. Crass, dull, (person). [of Gk nation derided by Athenians]
- Bō'er** (or boor), n. & n. (Of) Dutch or Dutch-descended S.-African(s). [Du. = peasant, farmer, cf. G *bauer* & see BOOR]
- Bō'ors** (-orz), n. (gum), light aircraft gun. [~ in Sweden]
- bōg¹**, n. (Piece of) wet spongy ground, morass (in many plant names as *~ violet*, BUTTERWORT, *~berry*, cranberry); *~butter*, fatty hydrocarbon found in Irish peat; *~oak*, ancient preserved in black state in peat; *~trotter*, Irishman. Hence *~g'y²* (-g-) a., *~g'iness* (-g-) n. [f. Ir. or Gael. *bogach* (bog soft)]
- bōg²**, v.t. (-gg-). Submerge in bog (usu. in pass.).
- bōg³**, n. A privy (vulgar).
- bōg'ey** (-gi), Colonel Bogey, n. Score that good golf-player should do hole or course in. [f. bogey as imaginary person?]
- bōgg'ard**, -art, n. (dial.). Spectre, bogey; (fig.) bugbear. [f.]
- bōg'gle**, v.i. Start with fright, shy; hesitate, demur, *at or about*; equivocate; fumble. [var. of BOGLE used as vb]
- || **bōg'le** (-gi), n. Under-carriage with two or more wheel-pairs, pivoted below end of locomotive or railway-car; *~car* etc., fitted on these. [northern dial. wd, etym. dub.]
- bō'gle**, n. Phantom, goblin; bugbear; scarecrow. [Introduced f. Scotch writers; etym. dub.; earlier *bog* in same sense, & *bug* (now only in BUGBEAR), may be f. W *bug* ghost]
- bōg'us**, a. Sham, fictitious. [U.S. wd, etym. dub.]
- bōg'y**, -g'y, (-gi), n. (pl. *-ies, -eyes*). The devil; goblin (nursery, *the ~ man*); bugbear. [quoted f. 1840 only; etym. dub. see BOGLE]
- bōhea'** (-hē), n. Black tea of lowest quality (last crop of season). [f. Chin. *Wu-ti* name of district]
- bōhēm'ian**, a. & n. Socially unconventional (person); of free-&-easy habits, manners, & sometimes morals (esp. of artists etc.). Hence **bōhēm'ianism**(2) n., **bōhēm'ianism**(4) v.i. [f. F *bohémien* gipsy]
- ***bōhünk'**, n. (sl.). Central European labourer of inferior class; rough. [f.]
- boil¹**, n. Hard inflamed suppurating tumour. [OE *byl*, ME *bile*; com.-Teut., cf. G *beule* f. root *bru-* blow]
- boil²**, v.t. & i. Bubble up, undulate, (of liquid at the heat that converts it to gas; also of containing vessel); *~ over* (of liquid or vessel), overflow or be overflowed thus; seethe, be agitated, like boiling water or its vessel (of sea etc., feelings, feeling person); bring (liquid, vessel) to heat at which it boils; subject to heat of *~ing* water, cook thus; undergo cookery by *~ing*; *~ down, away*, reduce, convert to vapour, by *~ing*; *keep the pot ~ing*, get a living; *~ing hot, ~ing*, (colloq.) very hot; *blood ~s*, with indignation; *~ed shirt* (sl.), cotton or linen shirt with starched front. [f. OF *boillir* (now *bouillir* f. L *bullire* (bulla bubble)]
- boil³**, n. = boiling, boiling-point, (esp. on, at, to, the ~).
- boil'er**, n. One who boils; vessel for boiling, esp. large vessel of riveted wrought-iron plates for making steam in engine; tank attached to kitchen range; laundry vessel; vegetable etc. suited to boiling; *~iron, -plate*, rolled iron $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick; *~tube*, internal air-pipe carrying heat through ~. [-ER¹]
- boil'ing**, n. In vbl senses; esp.: *the whole ~* (sl.), all the lot; *~point*, temperature at which anything boils (water at sea-level, 212° F., 100° C.), high excitement. [-ING¹]
- bois de rose** (bwah de rō'z), n. Shades of brown. [F, = rose-wood]
- bois'terous**, a. Violent, rough, (wind, sea, behaviour, speech, persons); noisily cheerful. Hence *~LY²* adv. [earlier *boistous* (also *-ous, -uous*) etym. dub.; AF *boistous* (OF *boisteus* now *boileux* lame) does not suit sense]
- || **bōk'ō**, n. (sl.). Nose. [f.]
- bōl'as**, n. (sing. & pl.). S.-Amer. missile consisting of balls connected by a strong cord (when thrown bringing down quarry by entangling limbs). [Sp., pl. of *bola* ball]
- bōld**, a. Courageous, enterprising, confident; *make (so) ~ (as)*, presume, venture; forward, immodest; vigorous, free, well-marked, clear, (imagination, drawing, description, features, headland, etc.). Hence *~LY²* adv., *~NESS* n. [OE *bold*; com.-Teut. cf. G *bold* quickly]
- bōle**, n. Stem, trunk. [f. ON *boir* cf. G *bohle* plank]
- bol'éc'tion**, a. & n. (Moulding) raised above panel etc. [f.]
- bolero** (-ārō), n. Spanish dance; (freq. pr. bōl'erō) woman's short jacket with or without sleeves resembling zouave jacket. [Sp.]

ból'ide, *n.* Large meteor, fire-ball. [F, f. L. f. Gk *bolis -idos* (*ballis* throw)]

bóll, *n.* Rounded seed-vessel, as in flax or cotton; ~weevil, small destructive insect infesting cotton-plant. [=BOWL¹]

ból'ard, *n.* Post on ship or quay for securing ropes to. [perh. f. *BOL* + *ARD*]

bolóm'eter, *n.* Radiation-measurer. [Gk *bolé ray* + *-o-* + *-METER*]

***bolón'ey**, *n.* (sl.). Humbug, nonsense, trash. [?]

Ból'shév'ik, *n.* Advocate of proletarian dictatorship in Russia by soviets, Russian communist; (pop.) any revolutionary. Hence ~ISM *n.*, ~IST *n.* & *a.*, **Ból'shý** (sl.) *n.* & *a.* [f. Russ. *bolshevik* *n.* pl. majority party]

ból'ster¹, *n.* Long stuffed (esp. under-) pillow of bed or couch; pad or support in many machines & instruments. [OE; com.-Teut. cf. G. *polster* f. root *bul-* swell]

ból'ster², *v.t.* & *i.* (Usu. with *up*) support with bolster, prop, aid & abet, countenance, preserve from (merited) destruction; pad; (with schoolboys) belabour with bolster, (intr.) have bolster-fight. [f. prec.]

bólt¹, *n.* Short heavy arrow of crossbow, quarrel, (*fool's* ~ soon shot, soon speaks & is soon silenced); discharge of lightning (~ from the blue, complete surprise); door-fastening of sliding bar & staple, sliding piece of lock; headed metal pin for holding things together, usu. riveted or with nut; (as measure) roll of canvas etc., bundle of osiers; ~line, ~position, (Mil.) defensive position at angle to main position to prevent a successful attack on some point of the main position from spreading farther; ~rope (round sail-edge to prevent tearing). [cf. G *bolz*, Du *bout*; etym. dub.]

bólt², *v.i.* & *t.* Dart off or away, (horse) break from control; gulp down unchewed; fasten (door etc.) with bolt, ~ in or out, shut in, exclude, by ~ing door; fasten together with bolts. [f. prec.]

bólt³, *n.* Sudden start; running away. [f. prec.]

bólt⁴, *adv.* (With *upright*) = as a bolt, quite.

bólt⁵, *boult* (bólt), *v.t.* Sift; investigate. [f. OF *bulter* = It. *burattare* (*buratto* sieve perh. f. *buira* kind of cloth see *BURAU*)]

ból'ter, *n.* In vbl senses of **BOLT**^{2,4}; esp.: horse given to bolting; (also *boulter*) sieve, sifting machine. [-*ER*¹]

ból'us, *n.* Large pill. [mod. L, f. Gk *bólos* clod]

bomb (-bm), *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. A high explosive or incendiary or smoke or gas etc. projectile fired from a mortar, or thrown or deposited by hand, or dropped from an aeroplane, & exploded by percussion or by time mechanism. *ATOMIC, FLYING, ~; ~bay*, compartment in aircraft for holding ~s; ~disposal,

removal & detonation of unexploded & delayed-action ~s; ~load, weight of ~s carried by aircraft; ~proof, (shelter) strong enough to resist ~s; ~shell, artillery ~ (now usu. *shell* exc. in similes, as *fell like a ~shell* etc.); ~sight, device in aircraft for aiming ~s. 2. *v.t.* & *i.* Assault with ~s, throw ~s; ~out, drive by ~s out of a building etc.; ~up, load (aircraft) with ~s. Hence ~*ER*¹ (-*mer*) *n.*, soldier trained in, aircraft used for, ~ing (also attrib., as *Bomber Command*). [f. F *bombe* f. Sp. *bomba* f. L f. Gk *bombos* hum]

bómbard', *v.t.* Batter with shot & shell (esp. of warships attacking town); (fig.) assail persistently with abuse, argument, etc. Hence ~MENT *n.* [f. F *bombarder* discharge *bombarde* f. med. L *bombarda* stone-throwing engine prob. f. L *bombus* hum]

bómbardier¹ (or *büm*-), *n.* 1. || Artillery non-commissioned officer below sergeant. 2. *Bomb-aimer in aircraft. [F, see prec. & -IER]

bómb'ardon, *n.* Low-pitched brass instrument or organ stop imitating this. [It. (-one), f. *bombardo* + *-one*, see *BOMBARD*, -OON]

bom'basine (-bm- or -üm-; -zén), *n.* Twilled dress-material of worsted with silk, with cotton, or alone, much used for mourning. [f. F *bombasin* f. L *bombycinus* silken (*bombyx* -yets silk or silk-worm f. Gk *bombux*)]

bóm'bast, *n.* Turgid language, tall talk. Hence *bombás'tic a.*, *bombás'tically adv.* [earlier & OF *bombace* (-t phonetic, cf. *behest*) f. LL *bombacem* nom. -az cotton (& so padding) corruption of *bombyx* see prec.]

Bóm'bay dück, *n.* Small fish of S.-Asiatic coasts, eaten dried with curry. [corrupt. of *bombil*, native name of fish]

bambe (bawhb), *n.* (cookery). Any cone-shaped dish or confection, as *apricot, fish, ~*. [F]

bon, bonne, (F; see Ap.), *a.* French for *good*, common in some senses & phrases. [f. L *bonus*]

bón'a fid'é, *a.* & *adv.* Genuine(ly), sincere(ly). [L abl. s. of foll.; as adj. it may be hyphenated, not as adv.]

bón'a fid'és, *n.* (legal). Honest intention, sincerity. [L, =good faith; not hyphenated] **bonán'za**, *n.* & *a.* (Prop.) prosperity, good luck; (pop.) greatly prospering, a large output (esp. of mines), worked with all best appliances (*a ~ farm*), a run of luck (*in ~*). [U.S. f. Sp., =fair weather f. L *bonus* good]

bon-bon (see Ap.), *n.* Sweetmeat. [non]

|| **bónce**, *n.* Large playing-marble. [?]

bónd¹, *n.* Thing restraining bodily freedom, imprisonment, (rare, only in pl., esp. in ~s), fetter-withe; restraining or uniting force; binding engagement; agree-

ment; deed by which A binds himself & his heirs etc. to pay a sum to B & his; government's or public company's documentary promise to pay borrowed money, debenture, (~holder, person holding such document); (Customs, of goods) in ~, stored under charge of Customs in 'bonded warehouse' till importer pays duty (*take out of ~*); (Bricklaying) various methods (*English ~, Flemish ~, etc.*) of holding wall together by making bricks overlap; ~ (*paper*), superior kind of writing-paper (suitable for ~s & similar documents); ~stone, stone or brick running through wall. [ME var. of **BAND**¹]

bond², v.t. Bind together (bricks etc., see prec.), put customizable goods into bond (see prec.), whence ~ER¹ n., person who puts goods into bond, binding stone or brick; encumber with bonded debt (see **BONDED**). [f. prec.]

bond³, n. League, confederation, (see **AFRIKANDER**). [Du., cf. G *bund* f. *binden* BIND]

bond⁴, a. In slavery, not free, (arch.). Hence ~man, ~maid, ~servant, ~service, ~slave, nn. [Influenced in sense by, but orig. separate f., **BOND¹**; f. OE n. *bonda*, *bunda*, husbandman f. ON *bóndr*=*bóande* part. n. f. *boa*, *boa*, dwell; after the conquest, the *bonde* sank into a serf, & the wd changed in sense]

bond⁵, n. Serfdom, slavery; confinement; subjection to constraint, influence, obligation, etc. [ME f. AF; see prec. & -AGE]

bond⁶, ed, a. (Of goods) placed in bond, (of warehouse) for such goods, (**BOND⁴**); (of debt) secured by bonds (**BOND⁴**). [**BOND⁴**, -ED¹]

bonds⁷, man, n. Villein, serf; slave (lit. & fig.). [var. of *bondman* (**BOND⁴**) as though f. *bond's* genit. of **BOND¹**]

Bond Street, n. A London street, esp. as resort of fashionable loungers (a ~ *exquisite*).

bone¹, n. One of the parts making up vertebrate animal's skeleton; (pl.) the body (*my old ~s* etc.), its remains (*his ~s were laid*); the body's hard, solid, or essential part (*flesh & ~; skin & ~*, thin person; *horse with plenty of ~*, well developed frame; *bred in the ~*, ineradicable; *to the ~*, penetrating, of cold, wound, etc.); material of which ~s consist; similar substance, as ivory, dentine, whalebone; thing made of ~, as (pl.) dice, castanets, stay-ribs; a small or nearly finished joint of meat (*knuckle-~, broiled ~s*); subject of dispute (~ of contention, ~ to pick with someone); *make no ~s of, about, or to*, not hesitate; *will never make old ~s*, live long; *feel in one's ~s*, be quite sure; ~dry, quite dry, (of country etc.), teetotal; ~head (sl.), block-head; ~setter, one who sets broken or

dislocated bones, esp. without being qualified surgeon; ~shaker, bicycle without rubber tires; ~spavin, callous growth in horse's leg becoming as hard as ~. [OE *bān*; com.-Teut., cf. G *bein*; in most lang. the meaning is *leg* as well as *bone*]

bōne², v.t. 1. Take out the bones from (meat, fish). 2. (sl.). Steal. [1 f. prec., & perh. 2 (as dog makes off with bone)]

bōne³, v.t. (surveying). Take or test the level of (usu. as part.); *boning rod*, wooden rod used in levelling operations. [?]

bōn'fire, n. Large open-air fire in celebration of some event; fire for consuming rubbish (*make a ~ of*, destroy). [earlier *bonfire* f. **BONE** n., bones being the chief material formerly used]

bōn'gō (-ng-), n. Large striped African antelope. [native]

bonhomie (bōn'omē), n. Geniality. [F (*BON*, *homme* f. L *homo* man, -y¹)]

Bōn'ifāce, n. Innkeeper. [Farquhar, *Beaux' Stratagem*]

bōn'ism, n. Doctrine that the world is good, but not the best possible. So ~ist (2) n. [f. L *bonus* good + **ISM**, after **OPTIMISM** of which it is the positive form]

bōnit'ō (-ō), n. (Kinds of) large mackerel-shaped fish, the striped tunny. [Sp., etym. dub.]

bon mot (baw¹ mō), n. (pl. *bons mots*). Witty saying. [F (*BON* + *mot* saying f. L *multum* a grunt)]

bōnne, n. (French) nursemaid, maid. [**BON**]

bōnne bouche (-ōōsh), n. Tit-bit, esp. to end up with. [F (*BON*, *bouche* mouth f. L *bucca* cheek perh. = **POUCH**); phr. not used in this sense in F]

bonnes fortunes (see Ap.), n. Ladies' favours, as a thing to boast of or pride oneself on. [F]

bōnn'ēt¹, n. (Man's) Scotch cap; woman's out-door head-dress without brim, with strings, & covering no part of forehead; ~rouge (F, pr. bōnā rōōzh), red cap as revolutionary symbol; (Naut.) additional canvas laced to sail-foot; cowl of chimney etc., protective cap in various machines, || hinged cover over motor of car; (Gaming, Auctions, etc.) accomplice, decoy; *BEER in ~*, an eccentricity; ~laird (Sc.), petty landowner (who wore a ~, & not the hat of the gentry). Hence ~ED¹ a. [ME *bonet* f. OF *bonet* short for *chapel de ~* cap of (med. L) *bon(n)etus* an unknown material]

bōnn'ēt², v.t. Put bonnet on (person); crush down hat over the eyes of (person). [f. prec.]

bōnn'ly, a. (chiefly Sc.). Comely, healthy-looking; satisfactory. Hence ~LY² adv. [etym. dub., perh. f. **BON**]

bōn'spiel, n. (Sc.). Curling-match (usu. between clubs). [perh. f. Du. *bōnd* league, *spel* game]

bon ton (see Ap.), n. Good breeding, the fashionable world, (arch.). [F]

bôn'us, n. Something to the good, into the bargain; esp., extra dividend to shareholders of company, distribution of profits to insurance-policy-holders, gratuity to workmen beyond their wages. [Jocular or ignorant use of *L bonus* good (man)]

bon vivant (see Ap.), n. Gourmand. [F]

bôn'y, a. Of, like, bone(s); big-boned; with little flesh. [BONE¹ + Y²]

bōnze, n. Japanese or Chinese Buddhist priest. [F, f. Port. *bonzo* perh. f. Jap. *bonzō* f. Chin. *fan seng* religious person]

bôn'zer, a. (Austral. sl.). Excellent, first-rate. [perh. f. *BONANZA*]

bōo, int., n., & v.t. & i. (Make) sound of disapproval or contempt; hoot (speaker, announcement, etc.). [imit. of cow's lowing]

•bōōb, n. Simpleton. [contr. of foll.]

bōōb'y, n. Silly dull-witted fool, lout; kinds of Gannet; ~ *prize*, awarded to the last or lowest scorer in a contest of any kind; ~ *trap*, things placed on top of door ajar to fall on first opener, (Mil.) kinds of apparently harmless device concealing an explosive charge designed to go off when tampered with; ~ *trap* v.t. & i. Hence ~ISH¹ a. [prob. f. Sp. *bobo* (both fool & bird) perh. f. *L balbus* stammering]

bōō'dle, n. Crowd, pack, lot, (the whole ~ or *caboodle*); money for political bribery etc.; a card-game. [now U.S., cf. obs. *buddle*]

bōōhōō, n., & v.i. (Make) sound of noisy weeping. [imit.]

bōōk¹, n. 1. Portable written or printed treatise filling a number of sheets fastened together (forming roll, or usu. with sheets sewn or pasted hingewise & enclosed in cover); literary composition that would fill such a set of sheets (or several) if printed; (fig.) anything from which one may learn, also imaginary record, list, etc., (~ of fate; ~ of life, list of those who shall be saved); the Bible (esp. *swear on the ~*); main division of treatise or poem (*Bk 1* etc.), or of Bible (*B~ of Genesis*); = LIBRETTO; back-hinged set of blank sheets for writing accounts, notes, exercises, etc., in (pl. merchant's accounts); (Turf) one's bets on a race or at a meeting (*won't suit my ~*, trans., is inconvenient); set of tickets, stamps, cheques, tricks at whist, etc., bound up or collected. 2. ~ of reference, not read continuously but used intermittently for information; *speak like a ~*, in formal phrases, by the ~, with correct information; *take a leaf out of —'s ~*, imitate him; *without ~*, without authority, from memory; *on the ~s*, entered in list of members etc. (*so take one's name off the ~s*); *in —'s bad or black, good, ~s*, in disfavour or favour with him; *bring to ~*, call to account.

3. ~ *binder*, -*ding*, binder, binding, of ~s; ~ *case* (-k-k-), case containing ~shelves; ~ *ends*, pair of ornamental props used to keep a row of unshelved ~s upright; ~ *keeper*, -*ping*, one who keeps, art of keeping, the accounts of a merchant, public office, etc.; ~ *learning* or *lore*, -*learned*, mere theory, knowing ~s but not life, so ~ISH¹ a., ~ *ishly*² adv., ~ *ishness* n.; ~ *maker*, -*king*, compiler, compiling, of ~s (esp. for mercenary motives), also professional betting man or ~ *ie* [-Y²] n., his profession; ~ *man*, literary man; ~ *mark(er)*, thing to keep place in ~; ~ *muslin*, fine kind folded in ~like way when sold; ~ *plate*, label with owner's name, crest, etc., for pasting into ~s; ~ *rest*, adjustable support for ~ on table; ~ *seller*; ~ *slide*, expanding stand for a few ~s; || ~ *stall* (of ~s exposed for sale out of doors); ~ *token*, voucher for a sum of money to buy ~(s); ~ *value*, value of a commodity as entered in a firm's ~s (opp. *market value*); ~ *work*, study of rules or text ~s (opp. to working sums, chemical analysis, etc.); ~ *worm*, maggot eating its way through ~s, person devoted to reading. Hence ~ *LET* n. [OE *bōc*; com.-Teut. cf. G *buch*; the supposed connexion with *BECH* (as providing bark or tablets) is doubtful]

bōōk², v.t. Enter in book or list; engage (seat etc.) by previous payment, (guest, supporter, etc.) for some occasion; enter name of (person engaging seat etc.), issue railway ticket to; || take railway ticket; give, take down, address of (goods to be transmitted); *I'm ~ed*, caught, cannot escape; || -*ing-clerk*, -*office*, person, place, for buying tickets from. [OE *bōcian* f. prec.]

bōōk'lānd, n. (hist.). Part of common land granted by charter (under the sovereign's orders) to a private owner. [OE *bōckland*, f. *bōc* document]

bōōm¹, n. Long spar with one end attached stretching sail-foot; floating barrier of timber across river or harbour mouth. [Du., = BEAM]

bōōm², v.i., & n. (Make) deep resonant sound; hum, buzz; (make) bitter'n's cry. [imit.]

bōōm³, v.t. & i., & n. (Show) sudden activity, development, (esp. of commercial ventures, prices, etc., cf. SLUMP); (win) sudden popularity for (an invention, cause, etc.) by advertising etc., launch with éclat. [U.S. wd, perh. f. prec. (cf. *make things hum*)]

bōōm'er, n. Large male kangaroo; (trappers' name for) N.-Amer. Mountain Beaver. [†]

bōōm'erāng, n. Australian curved hardwood missile with convex edge returning to its thrower; (fig.) argument or proposal that recoils on its author. [native name, perh. modified]

bōon¹, *n.* Request, thing asked for; favour, gift; blessing, advantage. [f. ON *bōn* = OE *bēn* prayer; the change f. prayer to gift prob. helped by confusion with foll.]

bōon², *a.* Bounteous, benign, (poet.; of nature, air, life, etc.); congenial, jolly, (*companion*). [f. BON; from 14th c.]

boor, *n.* Peasant; clumsy or ill-bred fellow. Hence *~ish*¹ *a.*, *~ishly*² *adv.*, *~ishness* *n.* [either f. OE *gebūr* dweller f. *būr* BOWER¹ & cf. NEIGHBOUR, or f. the cognate LG *būr*, Du. *BOER*]

bōot, *v.t.*, & *n.* 1. (colloq.). Shove, hoist. 2. Increase the reputation, value, etc. of (person, scheme, commodity, etc.) by advertising etc., boom. 3. (Mech.) raise the electromotive force in (electric circuit, battery, etc.), whence *~ER*¹ (2) *n.* 4. *n.* Scheme of advertisement; resulting advance in value etc. [etym. dub.; orig. U.S. sl.]

bōot¹, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Outer foot-covering, usu. all or partly of leather, coming above ankle; (Hist.) instrument of torture, luggage-receptacle in coach under guard's & coachman's seat; *~ is on the other leg*, truth or responsibility just the other way round; *like old ~s* (sl.), tremendously; *over shoes over ~s*, as well risk much as little; *heart in one's ~s*, in terror; *die in one's ~s*, not in bed; *~ & saddle* [perversion of F *boute-selle*, place saddle], cavalry signal to mount; *~jack*, for pulling *~s* off; *~lace*, string or leather strip for lacing *~s*; *~legger*, liquor-smuggler in U.S.; *~licker*, toady; *~maker*; *~trees*, moulds for keeping *~s* in shape; (sl.) *get, give, the ~*, be dismissed, dismiss, from employment. 2. *v.t.* Kick; (sl.) kick (person) *out* (of the house, of employment, etc.). Hence *~ED*² *a.* [ME *bote* f. OF *bote* (now *botte*), etym. dub.]

bōot², *n.* Good, advantage, (now only in *to ~*, as well, to the good, additionally). [OE *bōt*; com.-Teut. cf. G *busse* making good, expiation; prob. f. root *bat-*, Aryan *bhad-*, whence BETTER]

bōot³, *v.t.* (arch.; usu. impers. & abs.). Do good (*to*), avail, as, *what ~s (it) to*, (*it*) *little ~s*, (*it*) *~s (me) not*. [ME *boten* f. *bot* BOOT¹]

bōotee¹, *n.* Kind of lady's boot; infant's wool boot. [cf. *coatee*, see -EE]

bōoth (-dh), *n.* Temporary shelter of canvas etc.; covered stall in market, tent at fair, etc.; *polling-~*, for voting at elections. [ME *bothe* cf. Da., Sw., *bod*, f. East Norse *bōa* dwell]

bōotless, *a.* Unavailing. [OE *botlæs*, see BOOT², -LESS]

bōots, *n.* Hotel-servant who cleans boots, conveys luggage, etc.

bōot², *n.* Plunder or profit acquired in common & to be divided; gain, a prize; *~ing-~*, act as decoy for confederates, practise collusion. [perh. f. F *butin* f. ON

bjti barter, influenced in form by *bōt* BOOT¹]

bōoze, *v.i.*, & *n.* Drink deeply, go on drinking; (*n.*) drink, a drinking-bout. [earlier *bouse*, *bouse*, ME *bousen* perh. f. MDu. *būsen* (buisse drinking-cup)]

bōoz², *a.* Addicted to drink; fuddled. [prec. + -Y²]

bō-peep¹, *n.* Game of hiding & suddenly appearing to child; *play ~*, of elusive politicians, arguers, etc. [BO + PREP v.]

bōr¹, *n.* Cold dry N.-E. wind blowing seasonably in the upper Adriatic [dial. It., f. L. *BOREAS*]

bōr², *n.* Mohammedan trader or hawker. [Hind. *bohra*]

bor¹, *a.* Of borax (*~ acid*, = BORIC acid). [-IC]

bo¹, *age* (bū-), *n.* Blue-flowered hairy-leaved plant used to flavour claret-cup etc. [f. med. L *borrago* or F *bourrache*; cf. perh. LL *burra* shaggy garment]

bōr², *ax*, *n.* A native salt, in white powder or crystal when pure. [ME & OF *boras* f. med. L *borax* f. Arab. *bauraq* prob. f. Pers. *burah*]

Bordeaux¹ (-dō), *n.* Southern French wine, claret. [place]

bōrd¹, *n.* & *a.* Side, edge, boundary or part near it; frontier of country, (pl. after *within*, *out of*, etc.) territory; *the B-*, boundary & adjoining districts between England & Scotland, *frontier of civilization, (also *Border* adj. in these senses); continuous bed round garden or part of it, distinct edging for strength or ornament or definition round anything; *~land*, district on either side of *~*, (fig.) intermediate condition (as between sleeping & waking), debatable ground. [ME & OF *bordure* = LL *bordatura* f. **bordare* f. *bordus* f. Teut. *bord* BOARD¹]

bōrd², *v.t.* & *i.* Put or be a border to, whence *~ING*¹ (3) *n.*; *adjoin* (trans., or intr. with *on*, *upon*); *~ upon*, resemble. [f. prec.]

bōrdereau¹ (-rō), *n.* Memorandum of contents, docket. [F, = memorandum, invoice; came into English use during the Dreyfus Affair (1894-1906)]

bōrd³, *er*, *n.* Dweller on or near frontier, esp. that of England & Scotland. [BORDEZ *n.* + -ER¹ (4)]

bōre¹, *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Make hole in usu. with revolving tool, hollow out evenly (tube etc.), whence *bōr*²*ING*¹ (2) *n.*; make (a hole, one's way) by boring, persistent pushing, or excavation. 2. (Of horse) thrust the head out; (Racing) push (another) out of the course. [OE *borian*; com.-Teut. cf. OE & ON *bor* auger, & L *forare* bore, Gk *pharos* plough]

bōre², *n.* Hollow of gun-barrel; diameter of this, calibre; small deep hole made in earth to find water etc. [f. prec.]

bōre³, *n.* Nuisance (usu. as pred.); tiresome person, twaddler. [f. 1750, etym.

- dub.; early quotations imply F deriv.; *bourrer* stuff, satiate!]
- bōre**⁴, v.t. Weary by tedious talk or dullness. [etym., & relation to prec. & to **BORN**¹, doubtful; of same date as **BORN**²; *bore* (**BORN**¹) one's *ears* = gain a hearing by emphasis or repetition occurs over a hundred years earlier]
- bōre**⁴, n. Great tide-wave with precipitous front moving up some estuaries. [perh. f. ON *bōra* wave]
- bōre**⁴. See **BEAR**².
- bōr'eal**, a. Of the North or north wind. [f. L *borealis* (foll., -AL)]
- Bōr'eas**, n. (God of the north wind. [f. Gk]
- bore'cōle** (-ōrk-), n. = **KALE**. [f. Du *boerenkool* peasant's cabbage]
- bore'dom** (-ōrd-), n. Being bored, ennui. [**BORN**⁴ + **DOM**]
- bōr'er**, n. Person, tool, or machine, that bores holes; horse that bores; kinds of boring insect. [**BORN**¹ + **ER**¹]
- bō'ric**, a. Of boron (~ acid, a preservative & mild antiseptic). [-10]
- bōrn**, p.p. & a. *Be*~, come into the world by birth; ~ of, owing origin to; ~ again, regenerate; (with compl.) destined to be (~ rich, tired, to be hanged, a poet; cf. also ~ orator, an orator ~, etc.); ~ with silver spoon in mouth, under lucky star, destined to wealth, good luck; in all my ~ days, my life; ~ fool, idiot (utter, hopeless); often in comb. with adj. & adv., as *base, first*, ~. [p.p. of **BEAR**¹]
- bōrne**. See **BEAR**².
- borné** (bōrn'ā), a. Having limitations, of limited ideas, narrow-minded. [F]
- boro-**, comb. form of foll.
- bōr'ōn**, n. Non-metallic solid element (a dark-brown powder). [f. **BORAX** with ending of *carbon*, which it resembles in some respects]
- borough** (bū'ru), n. || (Munic.) town with corporation & privileges conferred by royal charter; (Parl.) town sending member(s) to parliament; the *B*~, of Southwark; (Hist.) *own, buy*, ~, power of controlling election of member, *close, pocket*, ~, so controlled, *rotten* ~, no longer (before 1832) having real constituency. [OE *burg, burh*; com.-Teut., cf. G *burg* castle, prob. f. OTeut. *bergan* to shelter; Sc. form, *burgh*]
- borough-Eng'lish** (bū'ru Ingg-), n. Tenure in some parts of England, by which all lands & tenements fall to youngest son. [f. AF *tenure en Burgh Engleys* (i.e. not French, but existing in some English boroughs)]
- bō'row** (-ō), v.t. & i. Get temporary use of (money etc. to be returned; of or from person); adopt, use without being the true or original owner or inventor, derive from another, import from an alien source; (Golf) play ball up-hill to roll back, (also) allow for wind or slope; ~ed
- light*, internal window; ~ed *FLUME*; ~*pit* (from which material has been taken for filling or embanking). Hence ~**ER**¹, ~**ING**¹(2), nn. [OE *borgian* f. *borg, borh*, pledge, f. OTeut. *bergan* protect, cf. G *borgen* borrow; orig. meaning, take on pledge]
- bōrsch** (-sh), n. Highly seasoned Russian soup of various ingredients including beetroot. [Russ. *borshch*]
- Bōrs'tal**, n. ~ *system*, of imprisonment for young criminals, based on the **INDETERMINATE** sentence; ~ *Association*, for help of ~ prisoners on discharge; ~ *Institution*, formerly ~ *Prison*, at ~ in Kent.
- bōrt**, n. Diamond fragments made in cutting. [perh. f. OF *bort* bastard]
- bōrt'oi**, n. Russian wolf-bound. [f. Russ. *borzoy* a. = swift, & n.]
- || **bōs**, **bōss**, n., & v.t. & i., (sl.). (Also ~*shot*) bad shot or guess, miss; bungle, mess; || ~*eyed* (sl.), blind in one eye, cross-eyed, crooked, one-sided; (vb; -ss-) miss, bungle. [?]
- bōs'cage**, -*kage*, n. Masses of trees or shrubs. [ME *boscage* f. OF *boscage* (LL *boscum* wood & see -AGE)]
- bōsh**¹, n. & int. (sl.). Nonsense, foolish talk, folly. [Turk., = empty; introduced by Morier's novel *Ayesha*]
- || **bōsh**², v.t. (school sl.). Make a fool of, tease. [f. prec.]
- bōsh**², n. Lower sloping part of blast-furnace shaft, from belly to hearth. [etym. dub.; of G *bösch*en to slope]
- bōsk**, **bōs'két**, -*quet* (-k-), nn. Thicket, plantation. [*bosk* prob. mod. back-formation f. **BOSKY** (but cf. ME *bosk* var. of *busk* **BUSH**¹); *bosket* f. F *bosquet* f. It. *boschetto* dim. of *bosco* wood; cf. **BOUQUET**]
- bōs'k'y**, a. Wooded, bushy. [f. **BOSK** not recorded betw. 14th & 19th co. + -y¹]
- bosom** (bōb'zəm), n. Person's breast; enclosure formed by breast & arms (*wife* of one's ~); breast of dress, space between dress & breast, old equivalent of pocket (*put in one's* ~); *shirt-front; surface of lake, ground, etc.; the midst (~ of one's *family, of the church*); the heart, thoughts, desires, etc. (*comes home to one's* ~, ~ *friend*). [OE *bōsm* cf. G *busen*, etym. dub.]
- bōss**¹, n. Protuberance; round metal knob or stud on centre of shield or ornamental work; (Archit.) projection at intersecting-point of vault-ribs; (Mech.) enlarged part of shaft. Hence ~**ED**¹ (-st), ~**Y**¹, aa. [ME & OF *boss* (now *bosse*) = It. *bazza* ulcer]
- bōss**², n. (sl.). Master, person in authority; *manager of political organization; person or thing that is best at any thing, champion. [U.S. wd f. Du. *bass* uncle, master, cf. G *bass* female cousin]
- bōss**², v.t. (sl.). Be master or manager of (~ *the show*, make all arrangements). [f. prec.]

Bös'ton, *n.* Variation of the waltz. [~ in U.S.]

Bös'well (-x-), *n.* Biographer like James ~, writer of Johnson's life. Hence **Boswell'ian** *a.*, ~ISM(3) *n.*, ~IZE(4) *v.i.*

bôt, bôtt, *n.* Parasitic worm; the bottle, horse disease caused by it. [1]

bôt'anist, *n.* Student of botany. [f. F *botaniste*, see BOTANY, -IST(3)]

bôt'anize, *v.i.* Study plants, esp. by seeking them as they grow. [f. Gk *botanizô* gather plants, see BOTANY, -IZE]

bôt'aný¹, *n.* Science of plants. Hence **botán'ical** *a.* (also **botán'ic** in names of old societies), **botán'ically** *adv.* [historically *botanic* is the parent word, f. med. L f. Gk *botanikos* (*botanê* plant f. *bostô* feed); *botany* on anal. of *astronomy* -ic etc.; see -y¹]

Bôt'aný², *a. & n.* ~ (*wool*), Australian wool; ~ *yarn*, yarn made from this. [f. ~ *Bay*, early convict settlement in N.S. Wales named from the variety of its flora]

botár'gô, *n.* (pl. -oes, -os). Relish of mullet or tunny roe. [It., f. Arab. *buḡarkah* f. Copt. *outarakhon* (Copt. *ou-ndef. art.* + Gk *tarrikhion* pickle)]

bôtch, *n.*, & *v.t. & i.* (Make a) clumsy patch; bungle(d) work; repair badly. Hence ~*ER*¹ *n.* [etym. dub.; cf. PATCH & G *batzen*]

both, *a.*, *pron.*, & *adv.* 1. *adj.* The two —s & not only one, as ~ (*the brothers are dead* (*have it ~ ways*, choose now one now the other of alternatives or contradictories to suit one's argument etc.). 2. *pron.* The two & not only one (a) with no *n.*, as ~ *are dead*; (b) with *of* & *n.* or *pron.*, as ~ *of them* (or *of the brothers*) *are dead*; (c) with *n.* or *pron.* as subj., & ~ in the pred. In apposition, as *they* (or *the brothers*) *are ~ dead, they were gentlemen ~*. 3. *adv.* With equal truth in two cases (a) where ~ might still be held pronominal, as ~ *brother & sister are dead*; (b) clearly *adv.*, as *she is ~ dead & buried*; (c) of more than two nouns etc., as ~ *God & man & beast*. [earlier *bo*, OE *bā*; ME *bathe* f. ON *báthar* cf. G *beide*; *báthar* perh. resulted f. the addition of the def. art. (both the)]

both'er¹ (-dh-), *v.t. & i.* Pester, worry; be troublesome; worry oneself, take trouble; (subjunct. as mild imprecation) confound. [etym. dub.; first in Irish writers, Swift, Sterne, etc.]

both'er² (-dh-), *n.* Worry, fuss. [f. prec.] **both'ér'ation** (-dh-), *n.* & *int.* = prec.; (int.) confound it! [BOTHER *v.* + -ATION]

both'ersome (-dh-), *a.* Annoying, troublesome. [-some]

both'ý, -le, *n.* (Sc.). Hut, cottage; one-roomed building in which workmen are lodged. [etym. dub.; cf. BOOTH]

bô'tree, *n.* Sacred pipal tree of India, beneath which Gautama, by enlightenment, became the Buddha. [Cingalese

bo corrupted f. Pali & Skr. *bodhi* perfect knowledge]

bôt'tle¹, *n.* Narrow-necked vessel, usu. of glass, for storing liquid; the amount of liquid in it; *the ~*, drinking, *over a ~*, while drinking; *bring up on the ~*, of child not fed from the breast; ~-brush, cylindrical brush for cleaning ~s, kinds of plant as Horsetail; ~-glass, coarse dark-green glass; ~-green, dark green; ~-holder, pugilist's attendant at prizefight, second, supporter, understrapper; ~-khana (*kahn'a*), (Anglo-Ind.) pantry [f. Hind. *khana* house, place]; ~-neck, narrow stretch or restricted outlet of road, (fig.) anything obstructing an even flow of production etc.; ~-nose, swollen nose, B~-nosed whale; ~-party, to which each guest brings a bottle of wine etc. (freq. extended to any gathering at which the licensing laws are defied); ~-washer, factotum, underling. [f. OF *bouteille* f. LL *buticula* dim. of *butis* BUTT¹]

bôt'tle², *v.t.* Store in bottles; (sl.) nab, catch, (offender, person for duty etc.) ~ *up*, conceal, restrain for a time, (resentment etc.). [f. prec.]

bôt'tle³, *n.* Bundle of hay or straw (*look for needle in ~ of hay*, of hopeless search). [f. OF *botel* dim. of **bot* (*botte* bundle)]

bôt'tle⁴, *n.* Blue, White, Yellow, B~, B~ of all sorts, kinds of plant. [partly corruption of *buddle*, *bothel*, etym. dub., partly from shape of ovary or calyx]

bôt'tom¹, *n. & a.* 1. Lowest part, part on which thing rests (*stand on own ~*, be independent; ~ *up*, upside-down); the posterior; seat (of chair); ground under water of lake etc. (*go, send, to the ~*, sink; *touch ~*, be at the lowest point or on firm facts; *to, from, ~ of heart*, genuinely, profoundly); river-basin etc., low-lying land; less honourable end of table, class, etc., person occupying this; farthest or inmost point (~ *of bay*); keel, horizontal part near keel, hull, ship esp. as cargo-carrier (in British ~s); foundation, basis, origin, (be at the ~ of, cause); essential character, reality, (*search to the ~*, *get to the ~ of*; *at ~*); stamina. 2. *adj.* Lowest, last (*bet your ~ dollar*, stake all); || ~ GEAR; fundamental; hence ~MOST (-m-m-) *a.* [OE *botm* f. WG **bothm* (G *boden*). cf. Gk *puthmên*, Skr. *budhnd*, L *fundus* (for *fundus*)]

bôt'tom², *v.t. & i.* Put bottom to (saucepan, chair); base (argument etc.) *upon*; touch bottom of sea etc.; touch bottom of, sound, find the extent or real nature of. [f. prec.]

bôt'tomless, *a.* Without bottom (chair etc.); unfathomable. [-less]

bôt'tomry¹, *n.* System of lending money to shipowner for purposes of voyage on security of ship, lender losing the money if ship is lost. [BOTOM *n.* = ship + -RY after Du. *boemerij*]

bött'omry¹, v.t. Pledge (ship; see prec.).
böt'ülism, n. (med.). Sausage-poisoning.
 [f. L *botulus* sausage, -ISM]

boudoir (bööd'wä), n. Lady's small private room. [F, = sulking-place f. *bouder* sulk, etym. dub.; termin. as in PARLOUR (F -oir)]

Bou'gainvillae'a, -vil'ia, (böögän-), n. Tropical plant with large bright-coloured bracts. [*Bougainville*, French navigator, c. 1750]

bough (-ow), n. Tree-branch (if on tree, one of the chief branches). [OE *bög*, *böh*; com.-Teut. (in etym., but not in sense) cf. G *bug*, Du. *boeg*, shoulder, bow of ship; also Skr. *bahus*, Gk *pēkhos* arm; BOW⁴ of ship is same wd adopted separately f. Scand. or LG]

bought. See BUY. Var. ~en (baw'tén), (in dial. & U.S. use) purchased at a shop (opp. home-made).

bougie (bööz'hé), n. Wax candle; thin flexible surgical instrument for exploring, dilating, etc., the passages of the body. [F, f. Arab. *Bijiyah* Algerian town with wax trade]

bouillabaisse (bööl'yabäs'), n. French (esp. Marseilles) dish, rich fish-stew. [F]

bouilli (bööl'yé), n. Stewed or boiled meat. [F]

bouillon (see Ap.), n. Broth, soup; (Dress) puffed fold. [F, f. *bouillir* BOIL]

boul'der (böl-), n. Water-worn rounded stone, cobble; large erratic block of weather-worn stone (in mining, of detached ore); ~clay, -drift, -formation, -period, geol. terms w. ref. to the Ice Age. [short for boulderstone, ME bulderston, cf. Sw. dial. *bullersten* large stone in stream (*buller* noise)]

Boule (bow'lä), n. Legislative council of ancient Greece; modern Greek legislature. [Gk *boulē* senate (*boulamai* choose)]

boulevard (bööl'vahr), n. Broad street with rows of trees. [F, f. G *bollwerk* BULWARK orig. promenade on demolished fortification]

boul'ter (böl-), n. Long fishing-line with many hooks. [F]

bounce¹, v.i. & t. Rebound; throw oneself about; burst noisily, angrily, etc., into or out of (room), in or out; talk big; hustle (person) by bluff or assumptions into doing or out of (something); *bouncing girl* etc., big, hearty, bustling, noisy. [ME *bunsen* thump (a now arch. sense of bounce); perh. imit. of sound cf. G dial. *bums* for gunfire etc.]

bounce², n. Rebound; boast, exaggeration, swagger. [f. prec.]

bounce³, adv. Suddenly, noisily, (come ~ against etc. cf. BANG). [as prec.]

boun'cer, n. In vbl senses; also: unblushing lie; thing big of its kind; *chucker-out (sl.). [-æ¹]

bound¹, n. Limit of territory or estate; fusu. pl. limitation, restriction, (out of

~s, beyond limits set by school rules; go beyond the ~s of reason, put ~s to). [f. OF *boüne* = med. L *boëna* earlier *butina*]

bound², v.t. Set bounds to, limit, (esp. in pass. with *by*); be the boundary of. [f. prec.]

bound³, v.i. (Of ball etc.) recoil from wall or ground, bounce; (of living thing, wave, etc.) spring, leap, advance lightly. [f. F *bondir* (only of sound till 15th c.) perh. f. L *bombitare* (bombus hum)]

bound⁴, n. Springy movement upward or forward; (advance by leaps & ~s, with startling speed); (of ball etc.) recoil (on the first ~, between first two touchings of ground). [f. prec.]

bound⁵, a. Ready to start, having started, for (or with preceding adv. as homeward ~). [ME *boun*, f. ON *buinn*, Norw. *buen*, p.p. of *bua* get ready; -d is due to the ME form's not looking like a p.p.]

bound⁶, p.p. of BIND. In vbl senses; esp. ~ up with, having the same interests as, closely connected with; ~ to win etc., certain.

boun'dar'y, n. Limit-line; (Cricket) hit to limit of field scoring 4 or 6 runs. [BOUND¹ + -ARY¹]

boun'den. See BIND¹.

boun'der, n. In vbl senses of BOUND^{2,3}; esp., (sl.) cheerfully or noisily ill-bred person. [-ER¹]

boun'dless, a. Unlimited. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [BOUND¹ + -LESS]

boun'teous, a. Beneficent, liberal; freely bestowed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME *bontivous* f. OF *bontif* (bonté BOUNTY) + -OUS, altered later as though f. *bounité* BOUNTY + -OUS]

boun'tiful, a. = prec. (*lady* ~, beneficent lady of a neighbourhood); also, ample. Hence ~LY² adv. [foll. + -FUL]

boun'ty, n. Munificence, liberality in giving; gift (*King's*, *Queen's*, *B*~, grant made to mother of triplets; *Queen Anne's B*~, fund for augmenting poor benefices); gratuity to soldiers & sailors on joining etc.; sum paid to merchants etc. to encourage trade enterprise (~fed products). [f. OF *bontet* f. L *bonitatem* f. *bonus* good (BON, -TY)]

bouquet¹ (böökä'), n. Bunch of flowers; perfume of wine. [F, = It. *boschetto* BOSKET]

bouquetin (bööké), n. The Alpine ibex. [F]

***bour'bon** (bär-, boor-), n. Kind of whisky distilled from Indian corn & rye. [f. *Bourbon* County, KY, where first made]

bour'don (boor-), n. Low-pitched (16 ft) stop in organ; similar stop in harmonium; lowest bell in peal of bells; drone pipe of bagpipes. [F, = bagpipe-drone, perh. imit.]

bourgeois¹ (boorzh'wah), n. & a. (Member) of shop-keeping middle class, (per son) of humdrum middle-class ideas. [f]

f. LL *burgensis* (*burgus* town f. WG *burg* BOROUGH)

bourgeois¹ (*berjois*), n. & a. (Printing type) between long primer & brevier. [perh. a French printer's name]

bourgeoisie (*boorzwahlzé*), n. The middle class. [F]

bourgeon. See BURGEON.

bourne¹ (*boorn*), n. Small stream. [southern var. of BURN¹]

bourne(s)² (*boorn*), n. Limit, goal. [f. F *borne* f. OF *borne* BOUND¹]

bourse (*boors*), n. Foreigmoney-market, esp. that of Paris. [F]

boustrophædon, a. & adv. (Written) from right to left & from left to right in alternate lines. [Gk, adv. = as ox turns in ploughing (f. *bous* ox, *-strophos* turning, *-don* adv. sufl.)]

bout, n. Spell of or turn at work or exercise; fit of drinking or illness; trial of strength; *this* ~, on this occasion. [perh. = obs. *bought*, which was perh. (being only from 15th c.) assim. of BIGHT to BOW³]

boutonnière (*bōtōnyāf'*), n. (Spray of flowers worn in) buttonhole. [F]

bouts rimés (*bōō rōmā*'), n. pl. Rhymed ends; versifying to set rhymes. [F]

bōv'ine a. Of, like, an ox; inert, dull. [f. L *bovinus* (*bos bovis* OX, see COW)]

|| bōv'ril, n. A meat extract used like beef tea. [F]

bow¹ (*bō*), n. Curve; rainbow; weapon for shooting arrows (*bend*, *draw*, *the* ~; *two strings* to one's ~, more resources than one; *draw the long* ~, exaggerate); = SADDLE~; rod with stretched horse-hair for playing violin etc., single passage of this across strings; = BAIL⁴; = BOW-WINDOW; slipknot with single or double loop, ribbon etc. so tied; ~s, ~*compass(es)*, compass with jointed legs; ~*head*, Greenland whale; ~*legged*, bandy; ~*saw*, narrow saw stretched like bow-string on wooden frame; ~*shot*, distance to which ~ can send arrow; ~*string*, (strangle with) string of ~ (Turkish method of execution). [OE *boga*; com.-Teut. cf. G *bogen* f. *bug*-st. of OTeut. *beugan* bend]

bow² (*bō*), v.t. Use the bow on (violin etc.; also abs.). [f. prec.]

bow³, v.i. & t. Submit (to the inevitable etc.), bend or kneel in sign of submission or reverence to or before (often with down); incline head in salutation, assent, etc. (~ing *acquaintance*, that stops at this, slight); express (thanks etc.), usher in or out, by ~ing; cause to bend (lit. & fig., *knee, back* etc. for burden, *will*); ~ down, crush, make stoop, (esp. ~ed down by care etc.). [OE *būgan* f. OTeut. *beugan* f. st. *bug*- of Skr. *bhuj-* bend, L *fugere*, Gk *phugō* flee; *bow* has also taken the senses of *obey*, *bow* its causal form f. OTeut. *būgan*]

bow⁴, n. Bending of head or body in salutation, respect, consent, etc.; *make one's* ~, retire. [f. prec.]

bow⁵, n. Fore-end of boat or ship from where it begins to arch inwards (often pl.); *on the* ~, of objects within 45° of the point right ahead; rower nearest the ~ (~*oar*, his oar or himself); ~*chaser*, see CHASE¹. [only from 1600; = LG *bug*, Du. *boeg*, Da. *boug*, shoulder, ship's bow; OE had *bōg*, *bōh*, shoulder, bough, but without the naut. sense; see BOUGH]

Bow bells (*bō*), n. *Within the sound of* ~, in City of London. [f. *St. Mary le Bow*]

bowd'lerize, v.t. Expurgate (book, author). Hence ~ism(3), ~iza'tion, nn. [T. Bowdler 1818, expurgator of Shakspere, +IZE (4)]

bow'el, n. Division of alimentary canal below stomach, intestine, gut, (sing. only in med. use); (pl.) entrails, inside of body; pty, tender feelings, (~s of *mercy* etc.); interior of anything. [ME *buel* f. OF *boel* = It. *budello* f. LL *botellus* dim. of *botulus* sausage]

bow'er¹, n. Dwelling, abode, (poet.); inner room, boudoir, (poet.); place closed in with foliage, arbour, summerhouse, whence ~r² a.; ~*bird*, Australian bird of the bird-of-paradise family constructing elaborate runs adorned with feathers, shells, etc. [OE *bū* dwelling (cf. G *bauer* birdcage) f. OTeut. *bārom* f. Aryan *bhurom* f. *bhu* (Teut. *bu-*) dwell]

bow'er², n. (Also ~*anchor*, ~*able*) either of two anchors (*best* & *small*) carried at ship's bow or of their cables. [BOW⁵ + ER¹]

bow'er³, n. One of two cards (*right* ~, knave of trumps, *left* ~, knave of same colour) at euchre. [f. G *bauer* peasant, knave at cards, see BOER]

bow'ie-knife (*bō'i-*), n. Long knife with 10-15 in. blade double-edged at point used as weapon in wild parts of U.S. [Col. J. Bowie]

bowl¹ (*bōl*), n. Basin (hist., deep-shaped basin; now differing only as more dignified or poetic wd); drinking-vessel (*the* ~, conviviality); contents of a ~; ~-shaped part of tobacco-pipe, spoon, balance, etc. Hence ~ful(2) (*bōl'fōl*) n. [var. of BOLL OE *bolla*; com.-Teut. f. *būl*-swell]

bowl² (*bōl*), n. 1. Wooden ball made slightly out of spherical shape or weighted on one side to make it run curved course (BILLS). 2. Flattened or spherical wooden ball at skittles. 3. pl. Game played with ~s (sense 1) on grass, or with round balls in room. 4. pl. Skittles (dial.). [ME & F *boule* f. L *bullā* bubble; *bowl*² has taken its pronouns. f. *bowl*¹, & *bowl*¹ its spelling f. *bowl*¹]

bowl³ (*bōl*), v.t. & i. Play bowls; trundle (ball, hoop, etc.) along ground; go along by revolving or by means of wheels, esp. ~ *along*, go *fast* & *smoothly*; (Cricket)

deliver (*ball, over, or abs.*), knock off (balls) or down (wicket), dismiss (batsman; *out or abs.*), whence *bowler*¹ [-æ¹] n.; ~ *over*, knock down, (fig.) disconcert, render helpless. [f. prec.]

|| *bowler*² (bō-), n. = BILLYCOCK. [f. *B*~, hatter, who designed it 1850]

bowline (bō'lin), n. Rope from weather side of square sail to bow; (also ~ *knot*) a simple but very secure knot. [In all Teut. langg. connected with *bow*¹, but found in E centuries before that, & now with different pronunc.]

bowling (bō-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: ~ *crease*, line from behind which bowler delivers ball; ~ *alley*, long enclosure for playing skittles; ~ *green*, lawn for playing bowls. [-ING¹]

bowman¹ (bō-), n. (pl. -men). Archer. [BOW¹]

bowman², n. (pl. -men). Oarsman nearest the bow. [BOW¹]

bow-sprit (bō-) n. Spar running out from ship's stem, to which forestays are fastened. [earlier recorded than *bow*¹, & with its first part very various (*bore, boar, bolt-, bole-, bow-*); therefore prob. not an E compd, but borrowed entire; cf. Du. *boegsprit* see *BOW*¹, SPRIT]

Bow-street (bō-), n. & a. Street near Covent Garden with chief metropolitan police-court; *B.-runner, officer*, old names for police officer.

bow win'dow (bō; -dō), n. Curved (not angular) bay window; (sl.) large belly. Hence ~ *ED*¹ (-dō) a. [BOW¹]

bow-wow', int. & n. Dog's bark; imitation of it; (nursery talk etc.) dog; *the (big) ~ style*, dogmatic manner in talk or writing.

bowyer (bō-), n. Maker, seller, of bows. [BOW¹ + -YER]

bōx¹, n. Kinds of small evergreen shrub, esp. one with small dark leathery leaves, much used in garden borders; (also ~ *wood*) its wood, used by turners & engravers; (with qualification) similar plant (*Bastard B*~ etc.). [f. L *buxus*, cf. Gk. *pyrac*]

bōx², n. 1. Receptacle (usu. lidded, rectangular or cylindrical, & for solids) of wood, cardboard, metal, etc. (*in the same* ~, i.e. predicament); driver's seat (from the ~ under it); = ~ *ful* as quantity; money~ (*put in the* ~); separate compartment at theatre, in tavern, etc., in stable or railway truck for horse (*loose* ~, in which it can move about); = JURY- || witness~; hut for sentry or signalman; *staging, shooting*, etc., ~, small country house for such temporary uses; protective case in various machines; *in the wrong* ~, awkward position. 2. ~ *BARRAGE*; ~ *bed*, with wooden roof & sides opening with sliding panels, also bed made to fold up & look like ~; ~ *cloth*, close-woven cloth like buff; ~ *coat*, heavy overcoat (for

driving); ~ *drain*, of quadrangular section; ~ *iron*, for ironing, hollow for reception of heater; ~ *keeper*, attendant on theatre ~es; ~ *kite*, scientific kite consisting of two light rectangular ~es secured together horizontally; ~ *office*, in theatre etc. for booking seats; ~ *pleat*, double fold in cloth; ~ *spanner* (with socket head); ~ *wallah* (Anglo-Ind. colloq.), pedlar, (sl.) European commercial man (in derogatory sense). Hence ~ *FUM*(2) n. [either = prec., or f. L *buxum* boxwood, or f. L f. Gk. *puxis* PRX]

bōx³, v.t. Provide with, put into, a box; ~ *up*, confine uncomfortably, squeeze together; || lodge (document) in Law Court; divide off from other compartments; (old sl.) ~ *the watch*, overturn watchman in his box; ~ *the compass*, (Naut.) rehearse the points in correct order, (fig.) make complete revolution & end where one began (in politics, argument, etc.). [f. prec.]

bōx⁴, n. Slap with hand on the ear(s). [?]

bōx⁵, v.t. & i. Slap person's ears; fight (someone, or intr.) with fists (usu. in padded gloves & merely for exercise); ~ *ing-gloves*; ~ *ing-weights*, *Heavy*, *Lt. Heavy* (or *Cruiser*), *Middle*, *Welter*, *Light*, *Feather*, *Bantam*, *Fly*, ~ *weight*, divisions being, over 12 st. 6, at 12 st. 6, 11 st. 6, 10 st. 7 (*145 lb. & below), 9 st. 9, 9 st. 8, 8 st. 6, 8 st. See also addenda. [f. prec.]

Bōx and Cōx, n. Two persons who are never together, never at home at the same time. [name of play]

bōx'calf' (-kalf), n. Chrome-tanned calfskin with hatched grain. [after Joseph Box, London bootmaker]

bōx'er, n. Pugilist; (*B*~) member of Chinese anti-foreign secret society. [BOX⁵, -ER¹]

bōx'haul, v.i. Veer ship round on her keel (for want of room). [BOX¹]

|| **Bōx'ing-day**, n. First week-day after Christmas. [on which Christmas-boxes are given, f. obs. sense of BOX² f. (money)-BOX²]

boy, n. Male child (strictly till puberty, loosely till 19 or 20, 'the ~s' also of grown-up sons of a family); person who retains tastes or simplicity of boyhood; servant, slave, native labourer, male native, in various countries with subject races (cf. ROSE~ etc.); (familiar voc.) *old*, *my*, ~; ~, often ~ *male* (~ *friend*), *young* (~ *husband*); ~ *scout*¹; || ~ *s-love*, Southern-wood. [cf. EFr. *boi* young gentleman perh. = Du. *boef* knave f. MHG *buobe* (G *bube*)]

boyc'ott, v.t., & n. 1. Punish, coerce, (person, class, nation) by systematic refusal of social or commercial relations; combine in abstaining from (goods etc.) with this aim. 2. n. Such treatment. [Capt. B~, Irish land-agent so treated; f. 1880]

boy'hood, n. Boyish age; boys. [-HOOD]

boy'ish, a. Proper to boys; as of a boy, spirited, puerile. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [-ISH¹(1)]

brāb'ble, v.t., & n., (arch.). (Engage in) paltry noisy quarrel. [etym. dub., but cf. Du. *brabbelen* jabber, stammer]

brāce¹, n. Thing that clasps, tightens, unites, secures; || (pl.) suspenders for trousers; thong for tuning drum; || strap suspending carriage-body from springs; connecting mark in printing ({}); pair, couple, (dogs, game, contempt. persons; pl. 3, 20, etc., *braces*); strengthening piece of iron or timber in building; & *cf. bit*, revolving tool for boring, screw-driving, etc.; (Naut.) rope attached to yard for trimming sail (*splice the MAIN² ~*). [f. OF *brace*, *brase*, the two arms, f. L *brachia* (pl.) arms; the naut. meaning is perh. f. F *bras* arm]

brāce², v.t. Fasten tightly, stretch, string up, give firmness to, (~ oneself up, ~ one's energies, etc.; *bracing air*); support; couple together; (Naut.) move (sail) by braces. Hence *brāc'er¹ n. (sl.), pick-me-up. [partly f. OF *bracier* embrace, partly f. prec.; the naut. perh. f. F *brasser*]

brāc'e-lét (-sl-), n. Ornamental band, chain, etc., for wrist or arm; wrist-fetter. Hence ~ed² a. [OF, dim. of *bracel* f. L *brachiale* (*brachium* arm) see -AL(2)]

brāc'er², n. Wrist-guard in archery & fencing. [f. OF *brasseüre* as f. L ⁺*brachiatūra* (*brachium* arm), see -URE & cf. BORDER¹]

brāch, n. (arch.). Bitch hound. [f. OF *brachet* dim. of *brac* f. OHG *bracco* hound hunting by scent]

brā'chial (-āk-), a. Of the, like an, arm. [f. L *brachialis* (*brachium* arm) see -AL]

brā'chiate (-āk-), a. (bot.). With branches in pairs at right angles to stem, each pair at right angles to the last. [f. L *brachiatus* armed see prec. & -ATE¹(1)]

brāchy- (-k-), comb. form of Gk *brachus* short, in many scientific terms.

brāchycephāl'ic (-kís-), a. Short-headed (of skulls with breadth at least four-fifths of length; or of person or race with such skull). [prec. + -CEPHALIC]

brāchyl'ogý (-kí-), n. Conciseness of speech, condensed expression, incorrectness of speech due to excessive condensation. [f. Gk *brachnologia*, see BRACHY-, -LOGY]

|| **brāck'en**, n. A fern abundant on heaths etc.; any large fern; (collect.) mass of ferns. [ME (northern) *braken* cf. Sw. *bräken*]

brāck'et¹, n. Flat-topped projection from wall serving as support to statue, arch, etc.; shelf with slanting under-prop for hanging against wall; wooden or metal angular support; side-piece of gun-carriage supporting trunnion; support projecting from wall of gas or other lamp; pairs of marks, (), [], () (cf. BRACK),

used for enclosing words, figures, etc. (~turn in skating, like one of the third pair); (Mil.) distance between two shots in ranging (see foll.). [earlier *bragget* f. Sp. *bragüeta* dim. of *braga* f. L *braccæ* breeches, meaning affected by confusion with L *brachium* arm]

brāck'et², v.t. Enclose in brackets as parenthetical, spurious, (Math.) having spec. relations to what precedes or follows, etc.; couple (names etc.) with a brace, imply connexion or equality between (~ed, equal); (Mil.) drop two shots one short of & one beyond (target) in range-finding. [f. prec.]

brāck'ish, a. Between salt & fresh (of water). [f. obs. adj. *brack* f. Du. *brak*, -ISH¹]

brāct, n. Small leaf or scale below calyx. So **brāc'téal**, **brāc'téat²**(2), aa. [f. L *bractea* thin plate, gold leaf]

brād, n. Thin flat slightly-headed nail. [earlier *brod* prob. f. ON *broddr* = OE *brord* spike]

brād'awl, n. Small non-spiral boring-tool. [perh. f. prec. + AWL]

brād'burý, n. (obs. sl.). Currency note, esp. for £1. [f. signature of Permanent Sec. to Treasury]

|| **Brād'shaw**, n. (Used for) ~s *Railway Guide*, a time-table of all passenger trains running in Great Britain. [orig. issued in 1839 by George Bradshaw, printer]

brādý-, comb. form of Gk *bradus* slow, as ~pepsy slow digestion.

|| **brae** (-ā), n. Steep bank, hill-side. [Sc. wd used by E writers, f. ON *brā* = OE *brāw* brow]

brāg, n., & v.i. & t. (-gg-). (Indulge in) boastful talk; boast of or of, boast that; card-game like poker. [etym. dub.; F *braguer* etc. later]

brāggadō'cio (-shío), n. Empty vaunting. [formed by Spenser (meaning *boaster*) on prec. & It. augmentative -occhio]

brāgg'art, n. & a. (Person) given to bragging. [f. F *bragard* f. *braguer* BRAG + -ARD]

brahmapōt'ra, **brah'ma**, n. Kind of domestic fowl. [river *Brahmaputra*, whence brought]

brah'min, -man, n. Member of Hindu priestly caste. Hence **brahmin'io** (-AL), -mān'ic(AL), aa., **brah'minism**(3), -manism(3), n. [f. Skr. *brahmana* f. *brahman* worship]

brahminee¹, n. Female brahmin. [f. Skr. *brahmani* fem. see prec.]

brah'minee², a. Belonging to brahmin caste etc.; ~ bull, ox, sacred (humped) cattle, immune from slaughter. [f. BRAHMIN on anal. of *Bengalee* etc.]

Brah'mōism, n. Reformed theistic Hinduism. So **Brah'mō**(ism) n., adherent of ~. [f. *Brahmo* in *Brahmo Samaj* (religious society founded in 1830), -ISM]

braid¹, n. Entwined hair, plait; band etc.

entwined with the hair; silk, thread, etc., woven into a band. Hence ~LING¹ (3, 6) n. [see foll.]

braid², v.t. Plait, interweave, (hair, flowers, thread); arrange (hair) in braids; confine (hair etc.) with ribbon etc.; trim, edge, with braid. [OE *bregdan* com.-Teut. move to & fro, move suddenly sideways]

Braid'ism, n. = HYPNOTISM. [first scientifically applied & explained by Dr J. Braid, 1842; -ISM (3)]

brail, n., & v.t. (Haul up with) small rope(s) on sail-edges for trussing sails before furling. [OF, f. L *bracale* waist-belt (*bracae* breeches) see -AL(2)]

braille (-ă), n. System of writing & printing for the blind. [M. Braille, French inventor, 1834]

brain, n., & v.t. Convoluted nervous substance in skull of vertebrates (sing. of the whole as an organ, pl. of the substance; *blow out* one's ~s, shoot him in the head); centre of sensation, thought, etc. (usu. pl., sing. with dignified or exalted effect; *cudgel* etc. one's ~s, think hard; *have something on the* ~, be crazy about it; *turn* one's ~, make him vain & silly); intellectual power (*suck, pick*, one's ~, extract & use his ideas); ~*bag*, nervous exhaustion; ~*fever*, inflammation of the ~; ~*fever bird*, Indian cuckoo (with maddeningly persistent cry sounding like 'fever'); ~*pan*, skull; ~*sauce*, intelligence; ~*sick*, mad; ~*storm*, temporary mental upset marked by uncontrolled emotion & violent action; *Brains Trust*, *group of experts guiding or advising the government, (transf.) any group of experts, || a body, consisting mainly of experts, broadcasting impromptu answers to selected questions from listeners; ~*wave* (colloq.), sudden inspiration or bright idea; hence ~LESS a. (Vb) dash out ~s of. [OE *brægen* = Du. *brein*, cf. perh. Gk *brekhmos* forehead]

brain'y, a. Clever. [-Y²]

|| braird, n., & v.i. (Come up in) fresh shoots. [f. OE *brerd* brim cf. *brord* see BRAD]

braise (-z), v.t. Stew (prop. with fire above & below) tender with bacon, herbs, etc. [f. F *braiser* (*braise* hot charcoal)]

brake¹, n. = BRACKEN. [perh. borrowed f. northern *bracken* with loss of -en as though pl. ending]

brake², n. Thicket, brushwood. [cf. MLG *brake* tree-stumps (*breken* BREAK v.)]

brake³, n. Toothed instrument for braking flax & hemp; (also ~*harrow*) heavy harrow; instrument for peeling off willow-bark. [= MLG *brake* or ODw. *bræke* flax-brake f. Du. *breken* BREAK¹]

brake⁴, v.t. Crush (flax, hemp) by beating. [f. prec.]

brake⁵, n. Apparatus for checking wheel's motion; (also ~*car*) railway-carriage

containing this, guard's compartment. Hence ~LESS (-kl-) a. [etym. dub.; perh. f. obs. or techn. *brake* = lever f. OF *brac* oblique of *bras* arm]

brake⁶, v.t. Apply brake to (wheel, car, train). [f. prec.]

brake⁷. See BREAK⁵.

|| brakes'man (-ks-), n. Man in charge of BRAKE⁶.

Brām'ah-. (Lock, press, pen, etc.) invented by J. Bramah c. 1790.

brām'ble, n. Rough prickly shrub with long trailing shoots; blackberry-bush; (Sc.) blackberry. Hence brām'bl'y² a. [OE *brembel* earlier *bremel* (for -b- cf. *humble, number*) dim. of OTeut. wd = OE *brom* BROOM cf. G *brom-beere* blackberry]

brām'bling, n. The Mountain Finch. [prec. + LING¹ (1)]

brän, n. Husks of grain separated from flour after grinding; ~*pie*, form of LUCKY¹-bag. [f. OF *brén* etym. dub.]

brän'card (-ngk-), n. A horse-litter. [F, =litter (foll., -ARD)]

branch¹ (-ah-), n. Limb springing from tree or bough (*bough, twig*, is the order, but ~ sometimes for either of the others); lateral extension or subdivision of mountain-range, river, road, family, genus, subject of knowledge, argument, legislature, bank or other business, etc.; *root-é-~* adj., *root & ~* adv., thorough(ly), radical(ly). Hence (-)~ED¹ (-cht), ~LESS, aa., ~LET n. [f. F *branche* branch f. LL *branca* paw]

branch² (-ah-), v.i. Put branches out, forth; spring out, spread forth, tend away or off, diverge into. [f. prec.]

brānc'hiaē, -ia, (-ngk-), n. pl. Gills. Hence ~AL, ~ATE²(2), ~FEROUS, ~FORM, aa., ~O- comb. form. [L *branchia*, pl. -ae, f. Gk *bragkhia* pl.]

brān'chy (-ah-), a. With many branches. [-Y²]

bränd¹, n. Burning or charred log or stick (~*from the burning*, rescued person, convert), torch (poet.); mark made by hot iron; stigma (*the ~ of Cain*, blood-guiltiness); trade-mark, particular kind of goods; iron stamp for burning a mark in; kind of blight (leaves etc. with burnt look); sword (poet.); perh. as flashing. [com.-Teut., f. OTeut. *brandaz* (*brān*-pret. st. of *brinnan* BURN¹ + suf. -do as in word)]

bränd², v.t. Burn with hot iron (surgically, penally, or showing ownership or quality); impress on memory; stigmatize. [f. prec.]

brān'dish, v.t. Wave about, flourish, (weapon, threat) as preliminary to action or in display. [f. F *brandir* (-BR²) f. Teut. BRAND¹ sword]

bränd'ling, n. Red worm with brighter rings used as bait. [BRAND¹ + LING¹(1)]

bränd'new', brān-, a. Conspicuously new. [f. BRAND¹, as if freshly stamped]

brän'dreth, *n.* Wooden stand for oask, hay-rick, etc. [*f.* ON *brandreith* grate (*brandr* BRAND¹ + *reith* carriage)]

brän'dý, *n.* Strong spirit distilled from wine; || ~-ball, kind of sweet; || ~-pawnee [*Kind. pant* water], ~ & water; ~-snap, gingerbread wafer. [earlier *brandwine*, *brandewine*, *f.* Du. *brandewijn* = burnt (distilled) wine]

bränk'urs'ine (-ngk-), *n.* Bear's breech, acanthus. [*f.* med. L *branca ursina* bear's claw cf. BRANCH]

brän-new. See BRAND-NEW.

bránt(-goose). See BRENT.

brásh, *n.* Loose broken rock or ice; hedge refuse, clippings, etc. [*perh.* *f.* F *brèche* breach]

***brásh**, *a.* (colloq.). Rash, cheeky, saucy. [!]

brass (-ahs), *n., a., & v.t. & i.* 1. (*Hist.*) alloy of copper with tin, zinc, or other base metal; (*mod.*) yellow alloy of $\frac{1}{2}$ copper with $\frac{1}{2}$ zinc (cf. BRONZE); inscribed sepulchral table of ~; *the* ~, *the* ~ instruments of a band; (*sl.*) money; effrontery, shamelessness. 2. *adj.* Made of ~; ~ band, set of musicians with ~ instruments; ~ *farthing*, least possible amount, esp. *don't care a ~ farthing*; || ~ *hat*, (army *sl.*) officer of high rank; || ~ *plate*, on door, gate, or window-ledge, with name, trade, etc.; || ~ *rags*, sailors' cleaning cloths, as *part ~ rags* (*Naut. sl.*), dissolve intimacy with; ~ *tacks*, (*sl.*) actual details, real business, esp. *get down to ~ tacks*. 3. *v.t. & i.* (*sl.*). Pay up. [*OE* *bræs* etym. dub.]

bräss'age, *n.* Mint-charge for coining money. [*F.* *f. brasser* stir melted metals together; see -AGE]

brassá'd, *n.* Badge worn on arm. [*F* (*bras* arm & see -ARD)]

bräss'erie, *n.* Beer-saloon or beer-garden (*usu.* supplying eatables also). [*F.* = brewery (*brasser* brew)]

brassière (brás'yár), *n.* Woman's under-bodice worn to support breasts. [*F*]

brás's (ý (-ah-), *a. & n.* 1. Like brass in colour, sound, taste; impudent; pretentious; hence ~-ly² *adv.*, ~-ness *n.* 2. (Also ~-ie) brass-soled golf-club. [-y¹]

brát, *n.* Child (*usu.* contempt). [*etym.* dub., but cf. obs. or dial. *brat* cloth, applied in OW (*brith* pl.) to swaddling-clothes]

brát'tice, brát't'icing, *nn.* (Coal-mining) wooden partition or shaft-lining. [formerly wooden parapet on fortress; ME *brutake* *f.* ONF *breteake* *perh.* *f.* G *breit* board + Rom. suf. -esca -ESQUE]

brava'dó (-vah-, -vâ-), *n.* (pl. -oes, -oes). Show of courage, bold front. [*f.* Sp. *bravada*, *F* *bravade*; see foll., -ADO (2), -ADM(1)]

bráve, *a. & n.* 1. Courageous (*the* ~, ~ men); (archaic-literary) finely dressed, showy, worthy, honest, admirable; hence ~-ly² (-vi-) *adv.* 2. *n.* Red-Indian warrior. [*F.* *f.* It. *bravo* etym. dub.; L *rabidus*, mad, & *barbarus*, have been suggested]

bráve, *v.t.* Defy, encounter with courage; ~ *it out*, carry oneself defiantly under suspicion or blame. [*f.* F *braver* see prec.]

bráv'erý, *n.* Daring; splendour, ostentation, finery. [*prob.* *f.* F *braverie* *f.* *braver* see prec. (*orig.* E sense *bravado*); -ERY]

bra'vó (-ah-), *n.* (pl. -oes, -oes). Hired assassin, desperado. [*It.*, see BRAVE¹]

bra'vó (-ah-), *n. & int.* Cry of approval, esp. to actors etc. (sometimes *brava*, *bravi*, to actress, company; also *bravissimo* superl.). [*It.* = BRAVE¹]

bravur'a (-oora), *n.* Brilliant or ambitious execution, forced display; style of (esp. vocal) music requiring exceptional powers. [*It.*]

brawl, *v. i. & n.* Squabble, (engage in) noisy quarrel; (of streams) murmur. Hence ~-er¹ *n.* [quoted from 1375, etym. dub.; cf. mod. Du. & G *brallen* brag, shout]

brawn, *n.* Muscle; pickled or potted boar's flesh. [*f.* OF *braon* flesh *f.* WG *brádo* (*brádan* roast cf. OE *brædan* & G *braten* *f.* Aryan *bhre-* burn); sense boar's flesh is excl. E]

brawn' (ý), *a.* Strong, muscular. Hence ~-iness *n.* [-y¹]

bráx'y, *n. & a.* (Sc.). Splenic apoplexy in sheep; (*adj.*) suffering from ~, (of meat) of a ~ sheep (also abs. as *n.*, = ~ meat). [*etym.* dub.; cf. OE *bræc* catarrh]

bray, *n., & v.i. & t.* (Make) the cry, or a sound like the cry, of ass or trumpet; ~ out, utter harshly. [*f.* F *braire* cf. L *fragor* crackling noise]

bray, *v.t.* Pound, beat small, esp. with pestle & mortar. [*f.* OF *breier* (now *broyer*) etym. dub.]

bráze, *v.t.* Colour like brass. [*perh.* = OE *brasian* (*bræs* BRASS) make of brass (not found before 1000 and 1550), but prob. mod. form on *glass*, *glaze*]

bráze, *v.t.* Solder with alloy of brass & zinc. [*perh.* *f.* F *braser* solder *f.* ON *brasa* expose to fire]

bráz'en, *a.* Made of brass; strong, yellow, or harsh-sounding, as brass; (also ~-faced) shameless, whence ~-ly² *adv.*; ~ age, third stage in human deterioration (golden, silver, ~, iron). [*OE* *bræsen* (*bræs* BRASS + -EN¹)]

bráz'en, *v.t.* ~ out, carry off impudently ('it', matter, deed); make shameless. [*f.* prec.]

brá'zier (-zher), *n.* Worker in brass. Hence brá'zierý (1) *n.* [BRAZE¹ + -IER, cf. GLAZIER, GRAZIER]

brá'zier, (-zher), *n.* Pan for holding lighted charcoal. [*f.* F *brasier* (*braise* hot coal)]

Brazil, *n. & a.* (Also ~-wood) kinds of hard red S.-Amer. wood yielding dyes; ~-nut, large three-sided nut. [*etym.* dub.; orig. Sp., Port., & F name of E.-Ind. wood, transferred to S.-Amer. similar species & thence to the country]

breach¹, *n.* (Naut.) breaking of waves (clear ~, rolling over without breaking; clean ~, carrying away of masts & everything on deck); breaking or neglect (of rule, duty, contract, someone's privileged rights, or promise, esp. to marry); ~ of close, trespass, of the peace, riot or affray; breaking of relations, separation, alienation, quarrel; broken state; gap, esp. in fortifications made by artillery (stand in the ~, bear brunt of attack, lit. or fig.); whale's leap clear out of water. [OE *bryce* (f. OTeut. st. *brek*- see BREAK) gave ME *bruche*; ME *breche* (f. F *brèche* f. same Teut.) combined with & has displaced *bruche*, helped by such analogies as *speak speech*]

breach², *v.t. & i.* Break through, make gap in; (of whale) leap clear out of water. [f. prec.]

bread (-əd), *n.* Flour moistened, kneaded, & baked, usu. with leaven (*white, brown, black*, ~; *standard* ~, wheaten of mixed flours; *break* ~, take food, join in Lord's supper; ~ & *butter*, ~ slices spread with butter, necessary food, a livelihood; ~-*butter letter*, ROOFER; ~-*butter miss*, school-girl; ~ & *scrape*, stingily buttered bread; *ship's* ~ (Naut.), hard biscuit; ~ & *cheese*, simple food, a livelihood; ~ & *milk*, broken ~ in boiling milk; ~ & *wine*, Lord's supper; ~ of *life* (see John vi. 35); *know which side one's* ~ is *battered*, where one's interest lies; ~ *battered on both sides*, easy prosperity; *take the* ~ *out of one's mouth*, take away his living by competition etc.; *eat the* ~ *of idleness, affliction*, be idle, afflicted; *daily* ~, livelihood; *make one's* ~, earn a living; ~-*basket*, (sl.) stomach; ~-*crumb*, inner part of loaf, ~ crumbled for use in cooking; ~-*fruit*, -*tree*, South-Sea tree with farinaceous fruit; ~-*line*, queue of poor people waiting to receive food; ~-*stuffs*, grain, flour; ~-*ticket* (entitling to ration); ~-*winner*, person (also art, trade, tool) that supports a family. Hence ~-*less* *a.* [OE *brēad* (cf. G *brod, brot*) f. OTeut. *braudaz*; orig. sense prob. *fragment or piece*, loaf being the Teut. wd for bread]

breadth (-əd-), *n.* Broadness, measure from side to side, (to a hair's ~, exactly); piece (of cloth etc.) of full ~; extent, distance, room; largeness (of mind, view, etc.), liberality, catholicity, toleration; bold effect. Hence ~-*ways*, -*ways*, adv. [formed on obs. *brede*, OE *bræda*, in same sense, + -*TH*¹ on anal. of *length* etc.]

break¹ (-bɛk), *v.t. & i.* (*broke* & in Bible *brake*; broken sometimes *broke* see BREAK²)

1. (Of a whole) make or become discontinuous otherwise than by cutting, divide into two or more parts, (~ *bulk*¹; ~ a *set*, sell parts separately; ~ *up*, dismiss, depart, ~ *small*, (of person) become feeble, show signs of decay; ~ *out* a *leg*, release

it when run up from its trussed state; ~ a *lance with*, argue against; ~ *bread with*, be entertained by; ~ *Priscian's head*, use bad grammar; ~ *person on wheel*, of medieval execution; ~ *butterfly on wheel*, waste power; ~ *ground*, plough, begin sledge, or fig. any, operations; ~ *the ice*, get over initial shyness or reserve; ~ *the ranks*, disorder by leaving them; *troops* ~, disperse in confusion; *clouds* ~, show gap; crack, graze, (~ a *head*); shatter; dislocate (neck; ~ *the neck or back of*, kill, dispose of); make by separating obstacles (a *way* etc.); penetrate by ~ing (~ *open*); interrupt, change, (*gloom, spell, journey, silence, one's fast; voice* ~, with emotion or at manhood; ~ *off*, bring to an end, cease); disrupt (*broken bonds* etc.); solve (a cipher); (Boxing, usu. as command from referee) come out of a clinch; ~ *out*, open up (receptacle) & remove contents (esp. Naut., of cargo). 2. (Of a part) disconnect or depart from something otherwise than by cutting (~ *bough from tree*, person of habit; ~ *with*, have breach or cease relations with; ~ *an officer*, dismiss; ~ *piece off*; *ball* ~, changes from its course, *back from off*, in from leg, side). 3. Make a way, come, produce, with effort, suddenness, violence, etc. (~ *into house*, *out of prison*, *through obstacles*; ~ *in*, intrude, interpose; *disease, war*, ~ *out*; ~ *out*, exclaim; ~ *news*, a *jest*, reveal it; ~ *WIND*¹; *day* ~; *abscess* ~; escape, emerge from, (prison, bounds, covert; ~ *free or loose*; ~ *away from*). 4. Make or become weak, disable, discourage, ruin, destroy, cease, exhaust, (~ *the heart, heart* ~; *frost, weather*, ~; ~ *bank*, exhaust its resources; *merchant* ~, is bankrupt; ~ *blow, fall*, weaken its effect; ~ *down*, demolish, collapse, fail; tame, discipline, overpower, (with *in, to*, or abs.; ~ a *horse*, ~ a *horse to the rein*; ~ *in child*; ~ *one's will, spirit*; ~ *resistance, a rebellion*); make of no effect, transgress, violate, neglect, (*law, Sabbath, contract, promise*, one's word). Hence ~-*ABLE* *a.* (also as *n.* pl., things easily broken), ~-*AGE*(3) *n.* [OE *breccan* cf. G *brechen* f. OTeut. st. *brek*- = I. *frag*-]

break² (-bɛk), *n.* Breaking; ~ of *day*, dawn; (Cricket) deviation of ball on pitching (~ *back*, f. off side); (Billiards) points scored continuously; gap, broken place, interruption of continuity; short spell of recreation between lessons; (colloq.) a chance; (Mus.) point of separation between different registers of voice; irregularity; a *bad* ~ (colloq.), unfortunate remark or ill-judged action. [f. prec.]

break³ (-bɛk), *n.* Carriage-frame with no body for breaking in young horses; large wagenette. [f. *BRAX*¹ (= ~-horse?), or f. obs. *n.* *brake*=*carb*, *bridle*, which may be special use of *BRAX*²]

break-down, *n.* Collapse, stoppage; failure of health or power; negro dance (bræk'down).

break'er¹ (-äk-), *n.* In vbl senses (esp. in comb. as *horse*-~); also, heavy ocean-wave breaking on coast or over reefs. [-ER¹]

break'er² (-äk-), *n.* (naut.). Small keg. [f. Sp. *barrica* cask]

break'fast (bræk-), *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* (Take, entertain at) first meal of day. Hence ~LESS *a.* [BREAK¹ interrupt + FAST *n.*]

break'neck (-äkn-), *a.* Dangerous (~ *pace*, *road*, *climb*).

break-up, *n.* Disintegration, decay, collapse, dispersal. [f. phr. *to break up*]

break'water (-äk'waw-), *n.* Object breaking, mole etc. built to break, force of waves.

bream¹, *n.* Yellowish arch-backed freshwater fish; (also *sea*-~) a salt-water variety of this. [ME *bream* f. F *brème* OF *breame* f. Teut. (WG *brahm*-, *brehm*-, *perh.* f. st. of *brehwan* glitter)]

bream², *v.t.* Clear (ship's bottom) by singing with burning furze etc. [*perh.* f. Du. *brēm* BROOM, furze]

breast¹ (-ëst), *n.* Either milk-secreting organ in woman, corresponding rudiment in man, (sometimes of beast's dug); (fig.) source of nourishment; upper front of human body or of coat, dress, etc.; corresponding part of animals; heart, emotions, thoughts, (*make clean* ~ *of*, *confess*); ~bone, thin flat vertical bone in chest connecting ribs; ~drill, ~hoe, etc., pushed with ~; ~harness, with ~band instead of collar; ~high, high as the ~, (submerged) to the ~, (of scent) so strong that hounds race with heads up; ~pin, jewelled etc., worn in tie; ~plate, piece of armour covering ~, lower shell of turtle, tortoise, etc., inscription-plate on coffin; ~wall, confining a bank of earth; ~wheel, water-wheel with water admitted near axle; ~work, temporary defence or parapet a few feet high. Hence ~ND² *a.* [OE *bréost* f. OTeut. *breustom* cf. G *brust*; *perh.* related to OSax. *brustian* to bud]

breast² (-ëst), *v.t.* Oppose the breast to, face, contend with, (waves, hill). [f. *prec.*]

breast'sümmer (-ëst-), *brëss'ümmer*, *n.* Beam across broad opening, sustaining superstructure. [BREAK¹ + *summer* beam f. F *sommier* f. L *sagmaris* (*sagma* pack-saddle)]

breath (-ëth), *n.* Exhalation as perceptible to sight or smell; slight movement of air; whiff of perfume etc.; air taken into and expelled from lungs (*draw* ~, *breathe*, *live*; a ~ of fresh air; *spend*, *waste*, ~, talk vainly; *keep* ~ *to cool* *partridge*, abstain from talk; ~ of life, *nostrils*, a necessity; *take away* person's ~, render him *breathless* with astonish-

ment); respiration (*catch*, *hold*, one's ~, in fear or absorbing emotion); one respiration (*say inconsistent things in one or the same* ~); power of breathing (*out of* ~, not able to breathe quick enough; *take* ~, pause, rest); whisper, murmur, (*not a ~ heard*; also *below* one's ~, in a whisper). [OE *bræth* smoll of burning f. OTeut. *bræthos* f. Aryan *bhrêto* (*bhr*-burn)]

breathe (-ëdh), *v.i.* & *t.* Use the lungs; live; seem alive; take breath, pause, (~ *again*, *freely*, recover from fear etc., be at ease); sound, speak, (of wind) blow, softly (~ *upon*, tarnish, taint); send out (*new life into*; *fragrance*; ~ one's *last breath* or *last*, die); take in (~ *foul*, *wholesome*, air); utter softly, also passionately (~ *strife*), exhibit (~ *simplicity*); allow to ~, give rest to; force to ~, exercise, tire. [ME *brethen* f. *prec.*]

breath'er (-ëdh-), *n.* In vbl senses; esp., short spell of exercise; brief pause for rest. [-ER¹]

breath'ing¹ (-ëdh-), *n.* In vbl senses; esp.: (Gk Gram.) *rough*, *smooth*, ~, signs ('), ('), indicating that initial vowel is or is not aspirated; ~space, time to breathe, pause. [-ING¹]

breath'ing² (-ëdh-), *a.* In vbl senses; esp., lifelike (statue etc.) [-ING²]

breath'less (-ëth-), *a.* Lifeless; panting; holding the breath; unstirred by wind. [-LESS]

breath'lessly (-ëth-), *adv.* Pantingly; in suspense. [-LY²]

breath'ly (-ëth-), *a.* (Of singing-voice) not clear-cut at beginning of sound, using breath before vocal chords are tense. Hence ~INESS *n.* [-Y²]

bréc'cia (-cha), *n.* Rock of angular stones etc. cemented by lime etc. [It., = gravel or rubbish of broken walls cf. F *brèche* f. Teut. = BREAK]

bred. See BREED¹.

breech, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. *pl.* ~es (-Ich'iz) or *pair of* ~es, short trousers fastened below knee (*Breeches Bible*, Geneva Bible of 1560 with ~es for *aprons* in *Gen.* iii. 7) and (now) used only for riding or in court costume etc. (cf. KNICKERBOCKERS); loosely trousers or knickerbockers; *wear the* ~es, of wife ruling her husband; (*sing.*, arch.) posterior. 2. (Gunnery) part of cannon behind bore, back part of rifle or gun barrel; ~block, closing ~aperture in guns; ~loader, ~loading, (gun) loaded at breech, not through muzzle; ~es-buoy, lifebuoy with canvas ~es for user's legs. 3. *v.t.* (arch.). Put (boy) into ~es instead of petticoats. Hence ~ND² *a.*, (-icht) wearing ~es, (-ëcht) having a ~. [OE *bréc* pl., f. OTeut. *bröks* loin & thigh garment; *breeches* a double pl., *breech* being a pl. like *feet*]

breech'ing (-Ich-), *n.* Leather strap round shaft-horse's hind-quarters for

pushing back; (Naut.) rope securing gun to ship's side. [f. prec. + -ING¹]

breech'less (-loh-), a. Without breeches. [-LESS]

breed¹, v.t. & i. (brēd). Bear, generate, (offspring); cherish in womb or egg; propagate; be pregnant; yield, produce, result in; make propagate, raise, (cattle); train up; fit for being, adapt to, (~ him a lawyer, to the law), bring up; arise, spread; ~ in & in, always marry near relations; what is bred in the bone, hereditary traits. Hence ~ER¹ n. [OE *brēdan* cf. G *brüten* f. OTeut. *brōdjan* (brōd- warmth see BROOD)]

breed², n. Race, stock, strain; family with hereditary qualities. [f. prec.]

breed'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp., result of training, behaviour, good manners. [-ING¹]

breeze¹, n. Gad-fly. [OE *briosa* etym. dub.]

breeze², n. Gentle wind; wind off land, or sea, at certain hours; (sl.) quarrel, display of temper. Hence ~LESS (-zl-) a. [earlier *brize* f. OSP. *briza* NE wind perh. = F *bise*, *bise*, N wind; F *brise* is later]

breeze³, n. Small cinders used with cement in making ~ blocks (light-weight concrete building blocks). [perh. f. F *brasse*, cf. BRAZIER¹]

breez'y, a. Wind-swept; pleasantly windy; fresh, lively, jovial. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

Bré'hon, n. & a. Ancient Irish judge; ~ law, Irish code abolished under James I. [f. OIr. *brithem* judge]

|| **brēkk'er**, n. (University sl.). Breakfast. [-ER¹ (6)]

Brēn, n. (In full ~ gun) a light-weight machine-gun; ~ carrier, small bullet-proof tracked vehicle. [f. *Brno* in Czechoslovakia (where orig. made) + *En*-field in England]

brēnt(-goose), **brānt-**, n. Smallest species of wild goose, visiting Britain in winter. [etym. dub.; cf. G *brandgans*]

brēt, n. (U.S. negro dial. contraction for) brother (esp. in beast-fable personifications, as *B~ Fox*, *Rabbit*).

brēs'ümmer. See BRASTSUMMER.

breth'ren (-ēdrin). See BROTHER.

Brēt'on, a. & n. (Native) of Brittany in France. [F, = BRITON]

Brēt'wal'da (-ōl-), n. Lord of the Britons, title given to Egbert & Old Eng. Kings of various States who held nominal or real supremacy over the rest.

brève, n. (Hist.) authoritative letter from sovereign or pope; (Mus.) note = two semibreves now rarely used; short prosody mark (v) in printing. [var. of *bray*¹]

brēv'ēt, n., & v.t. Document conferring a privilege from sovereign or government, esp. rank without corresponding pay in army (~ *sunk*, ~ *major*); honorary,

nominal, position; (vb) confer ~ rank on. [F, = note, dim. of *brē* BRIEF¹]

brēvi', comb. form in scientific terms of L *brevis* short, as *brevirostrate* short-beaked.

brēv'iary, n. (R.-C. Ch.) book containing the Divine Office for each day, to be recited by those in orders. [f. L *brevarium* summary (*brevis* short, -ARY²)]

brév'ier, n. Printing-type size between bourgeois & minion. [used in *breviaries*]

brēv'ity, n. Shortness of expression, conciseness; short span (of life). [f. AF *brevete* f. L *brevitatem* (*brevis* short, -ITY)]

brew¹ (-ōō), v.t. & i. Make (beer etc.) by infusion, boiling, & fermentation (*drink as you have ~ed*, take consequences); make (tea, punch) by infusion or mixture; undergo these processes; concoct, bring about, set in train, grow to ripeness, fester, gather force, (usu. of evil results; *mischiefs is ~ing*, ~ *rebellion*); ~house, = brewery (but now less used). Hence ~ER¹, ~ERY (3), (-ōō), nn. [OE *brēowan*; com.-Teut., cf. G *brauen*; perh. also L *defrutum* new wine boiled down]

brew² (-ōō), n. Process of brewing; amount brewed at once; quality of stuff brewed. [f. prec.]

brew'age (-ōō), n. Concocted drink; process or result of concoction (lit. & fig.). [-AGE]

brew'is (-ōō), n. Broth (arch. & dial.). [ME *broves* f. OF *brovets* nom. of *brouet* dim. of bro f. OHG *brod* BROT¹]

|| **Brew'ster Sēs'sions** (-ōō), n. Sessions for issue of licences to trade in alcoholic liquors. [f. obs. *brewster* (orig. female) brewer, see -STER]

brī'ar. See BRIER.

Brīar'ēus, n. Many-handed person. [Gk mythol.]

bribe¹, n. Money etc. offered to procure (often illegal or dishonest) action in favour of the giver. [perh. f. OF *bribe* piece of bread given to beggar, etym. dub.]

bribe², v.t. Pervert by gifts or other inducements the action or judgement of; (abs.) practise bribery. Hence ~ER¹, ~ER², ~ABIL'ITY, ~ERY(4), nn., ~ABLE a. [f. prec.]

bric-à-brac, n. Curiosities, old furniture, china, fans, etc. [F, perh. = *de bric et de broc* by hook or by crook]

brick¹, n. & a. 1. Clay kneaded, moulded, & baked by fire or sun; block (usu. rectangular & about 9 in. × 4½ × 2½) of this (*like a hundred of ~s* colloq., with crushing weight or force); ~shaped loaf, block of tea, etc.; child's wooden toy building-block; (sl.) generous or person; *drop a ~* (sl.), commit an (o)mission; ~bat, piece of ~, esp. as a [bat²]; ~dust, powdered ~, colour like it; ~field, -kiln, in which ~s are made, baked; ~layer, workman building in

~; ~work, building in ~; hence (rare) ~EN^a a. 2. adj. Built of ~. [prob. f. F *brique* broken piece f. Teut. *brek*-BREAK] **brick**¹, v.t. ~ up, block (window etc.) with brickwork (& used with other advv.). [f. prec.]

brick'y, a. Littered with, coloured or looking like bricks. [-y¹] **brick'ole** (-ikl), n. Stroke off wall or cushion in tennis & billiards. [F, etym. dub.]

brid'al, n. & a. 1. Wedding-feast, wedding. 2. adj. Of bride or wedding (~ *cheer*, *veil*); hence ~LY^a adv. [= *bride* ALM or festivity; OE *brȳð-ealo*; the prevailing adj. use results f. confusion with -AL]

bride¹, n. Woman on her wedding-day & for some days or weeks before & after it; ~cake, rich cake eaten at wedding, sent round to friends, etc. [OE *brȳð*; com.-Teut. cf. G *bräut*, f. OTeut. *brādis* bride, daughter-in-law, perh. f. *bru-* to cook]

bride², n. Delicate network connecting the patterns in lace; bonnet-string. [F, = BRIDLE¹, f. Teut.]

bride'groom (-dg-), n. Man at or soon before or after his marriage. [OE had *brȳðguma* (*guma* man cf. L *homo*) com.-Teut.; *guma* becoming obs. in ME, perh. *groom* was substituted by mistake; but as there is more than a century's gap between instances of the old & new form, the latter may be independent = *bride lad* (*bride* in 15th & 16th cc. being of either sex)]

brides'maid (-dz-), n. Unmarried woman (usu. one of several) attending bride at wedding. [earlier *bridemaid*, altered when the attrib. sense of *bride* was missed]

brides'man (-dz-), n. Bridegroom's attendant, best man. [earlier *bride*man, cf. prec.]

bride'well (-dw-), n. House of correction, gaol. [St Bride's Well, near the London ~]

bridge¹, n. (northern form, in writers for local colour, *brig*). Structure carrying road or path across stream, ravine, road, etc. (~ *of* *boats*, over boats moored abreast; ~ *of* *gold*, *golden* ~, easy retreat provided for beaten enemy); (Naut.) platform amidships for officer in command; upper bony part of nose; movable piece over which strings of violin etc. are stretched; (Billiards) support for cue formed with left hand; ~head, post held on far side of frontier river giving one access to enemy's territory; ~train, Mil. Engineers with material for building floating ~s. Hence ~LESS (-li-) a. [OE *brȳcg* ~, Teut. cf. G *brücke*]

bridge², v.t. Span as, with, or as with, a bridge. [OE *brȳcgan* see prec.]

bridge³, n. End-gear of Russian origin resembling that in which a player looks on while his opponent's hand is played by the opponent; ~woman, ~; contract¹ ~. [?]

brid'le¹, n. Head-gear of harness, including head-stall, bit, & rein (*give horse the ~*, *lay ~ on his neck*, abandon control; *horse going well up to ~*, willing goer); restraint, curb; (Naut.) mooring-cable; (Physiol.) ligament checking motion of a part; ~bridge, -path, -road, etc., fit for riders but not for vehicles. [OE *bridel* f. *bregdan* twitch see *RAIN*¹ + -LE (1)]

brid'le², v.t. & i. Put bridle on (horse etc.); curb, hold in, bring under control; express offence, vanity, etc., by throwing up head & drawing in chin (often ~ up). [OE *bridlian* see prec.]

brid'oon, n. Snauffe & rein of military bridle. [f. F *bridon* (BRIDE² -oon)]

Brie (brè), n. A cream cheese. [~, in France]

brief¹, n. Pope's letter on matter of discipline to person or community (less formal than bull); || (Law) summary of facts & law-points of a case drawn up for counsel (*hold ~ for*, be retained as counsel for, argue in favour of); size of writing-paper, typewriter, etc.; (R.A.F.) instructions given to air crews; *watching* ~, of barrister who watches case for client indirectly concerned; || ~bag, small leather hand-bag; || a ~, piece of employment for barrister, whence ~LESS a. [ME & OF *bref* f. L *breve* dispatch, note, nout. of *brevis* short]

brief², v.t. (Law) reduce (facts etc.) to a brief; instruct (barrister) by brief, employ; instruct (air crews) with regard to raid etc. (~ing-room, where such instructions are given). [f. prec.]

brief³, a. & n. Of short duration; concise; be ~, speak shortly; in ~, in short. Hence ~LY^a adv., ~NESS n. [ME & OF *bref* f. L *brevis* short]

br'er¹, **br'ar**, n. (also *brere* arch.). Prickly bush, esp. of wild rose; *Sweet B* ~, wild rose with fragrant leaves & flowers; *B* ~-rose, Dog-rose. Hence ~Y^a a. [OE *brær*, *brær*, etym. dub.; cf. *frere*, *FRIAR*]

br'er², **br'ar**, n. The White Heath, of which the root is used for tobacco pipes. [at first (the material was introduced only c. 1850) *bruyere* f. F *bruyère* heath]

brig¹, n. Two-masted square-rigged vessel, but with additional lower fore-&-aft sail on gaff & boom to mainmast. [abbr. of BRIGANTINE, f. which the type of ship was developed]

brig². See BRIDGE¹.

brigade¹, n. 1. Subdivision of army, varying in different countries & times; infantry unit consisting usu. of 3 battalions (with freq. a regiment of field artillery) & forming part of a division; corresponding armoured unit; || the B ~ (of Guards). 2. Organized or uniformed band of workers (*Boys', Church, etc. B* ~, organizations on military model for disciplining & occupying boys etc.). [F,

f. It. *brigata* company (*brigare* brawl f. LL *briga* strife); see -ADE]

brigade¹, v.t. Form into brigade or brigades; join (regiment etc.) with others into a brigade. [f. prec.]

brigadier¹, n. (Formerly *Brigadier-General*) officer commanding a brigade; (titular rank granted to) staff officer of similar standing. [IEE]

brig'and, n. Bandit, robber. Hence or cogn. ~AGE(3), ~ISM(2), nn., ~ISH¹ a. [ME f. OF, prob. f. It. *brigante* (*brigare* see BRIGADE¹)]

brig'antine (-én), n. Two-masted vessel with square-sailed fore-mast & fore-&-aft mainmast. [f. *Brigandín* (now -tin) f. It. *brigantino* perh. = skirmisher cf. prec.]

bright¹ (-it), a. Emitting or reflecting much light, shining; lit up with joy, hope, etc.; vivid (~ red etc.); illustrious; vivacious, quick-witted, (often iron.). Hence ~EN¹ v.t. & i., ~ISH¹ (2) a., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-it-). [OE *beorht*; com.-Teut., now lost from G & Du., f. OTeut. *berhtos* f. Aryan *bhrag-* cf. L *flagrare*]

bright² (-it), adv. = brightly (*shine* ~, ~ *beaming*, etc.). [OE *beorhte* with adv. -e now lost; see prec.]

Bright's disease (-its; -zéz), n. Granular degeneration of the kidneys. [Dr R. Bright, 1827]

brill, n. Flat-fish resembling turbot. [?]

brill'iant¹ (-lya-), a. Bright, sparkling; illustrious, striking; talented, showy. Hence ~ANCE, ~ANCY, nn., ~ANTLY¹ adv., (-lya-). [f. F brilliant part. of *briller* shine referred to LL ⁺*berillare* (BERYL)]

brill'iant² (-lya-), n. Diamond of finest cut & brilliance (~ shape has two horizontal tables, joined by facets); a size of TYPE. [f. F as prec. used as n.]

brill'iantine (-yantén), n. Cosmetic for hair. [f. F *brillantine* see BRILLIANT¹ + -INE⁴]

brim¹, n. Edge or lip of cup, bowl, or hollow; projecting edge of hat; ~full, to the ~. Hence ~LESS, ~MED¹ (-md), aa. [ME *brimme* etym. dub.; cf. G *brinne*]

brim², v.t. & i. (-mm-). Fill, be full, to the brim (lit. & fig); ~over, overflow. [f. prec.]

brimm'er, n. Full cup. [BRIM² + -ER¹]

brim'stone, n. (Old name for) sulphur (|| = & treacle, nursery medicine); fuel of hell-fire; ~ *butterfly*, moth, sulphur-coloured species. Hence **brim'stony**² a. [ME (*bernen*, *brinnen*, BURN² + STONE)]

brin'dled (-dd), **brin'dle**, a. Brownish or tawny with streaks of other colour. [earlier *brinded* (perh. p.p. of a possible vb *brenden* f. BRAND¹ burning) has been ousted by *brindled* (perh. with dim. sense); f. which *brindle* is perh. a mistaken back-formation]

brine¹, n. Salt water; the sea; tears (poet.); ~pan, iron vessel or shallow pit for getting salt by evaporation. Hence

brin'y² a. (*the briny*, al., the sea). [OE *bryne* etym. dub.; cf. Du. *brijn*]

brine², v.t. Steep or pickle in, or wet with, brine. [f. prec.]

bring, v.t. & i. (brought, pr. -awt). 1. Cause to come, come with or conveying whether by carrying, leading, impelling, or attracting, (*take* expresses the corresponding notions with *go for come*); cause, result in; prefer (charge), adduce (argument); ~ *home to*, convict or convince of; ~ *into play*, cause to operate; ~ *into world*, give birth to; cause to become (~ *low*); ~ *to bear*, apply (influence etc.); ~ *to book*, exact account from (offender); ~ *to mind*, recall; ~ *to pass*, cause to happen; persuade (*cannot ~ myself to believe*). 2. ~ *about*, cause to happen, reverse (ship); ~ *back*, call to mind; ~ *down*, kill or wound, cause penalty to alight on, abase, lower (price), continue (record) to a point, (Theatr.) ~ *down the house*, elicit tumultuous applause; ~ *forth*, give birth to, cause; ~ *forward*, carry sum of page's figures to next page; ~ *in*, introduce (custom), produce as profit, adduce, pronounce (*guilty, not g.*); ~ *off*, rescue from wreck etc., conduct (enterprise) to success; ~ *on*, lead to, cause discussion of; ~ *out*, express, exhibit clearly, introduce (girl) to society, publish; ~ *over*, convert; ~ *round*, restore to consciousness; ~ *through*, save (sick person); ~ *to*, check motion of, come to a stop, restore to consciousness; ~ *under*, subdue; ~ *up*, educate, rear, sue in court, anchor (ship), come to a stop, call attention again to, cause (M.P.) to rise & speak, continue (accounts etc.) to a further point; ~ *up the rear*, come last. [com.-Teut. cf. G *bringen*]

brink, n. Edge of steep place or abyss (on ~ of grave, soon to die); border of water, esp. when steep (*sliver on the ~, hesitate to plunge*); verge (of discovery, ruin, eternity, etc.). [ME, prob. f. Scand., cf. Da. *brink* precipice]

br'io (-ô), n. Vivacity. [It.]

briquette¹ (-két), **br'quet** (-két), n. Block of compressed coal-dust. [F (-ette), dim. of *brique* BRICK]

brise-bise (brés' bész), n. Curtain stretched across lower part of window. [F]

brisk¹, a. Active, lively, (usu. of movement; ~ *pace, trade, wind*, etc.); calliving, keen, (champagne, air, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. 16th c. perh. f. W *brieg* quick-footed cf. OIr. *brise* brittle, or perh. = F *brusque*]

brisk², v.t. & i. Make or become brisk (usu. with up). [f. prec.]

brisk'et, n. Breast of animals (esp. as joint of meat). [etym. dub.; there is F *brechet* in same sense]

bristle¹ (-isl), n. One of stiff hairs on hog's back & sides; short stiff hair of other

animals, man's short-cropped beard, or plants; *set up* one's, another's, ~s, show or rouse temper. Hence *bristly*¹ (-ish), *bristled*¹ (-ish), aa. [ME *brustel* f. OE *byrst* & see -ISE(1); f. OTeut. *bors-*]

*bristle*¹ (-ish), v.i. & t. (Cause to) stand upright (hair etc.), raise or rise like bristles or into roughness, (often with *up*); show temper, prepare for fight; be thickly set with hair, difficulties, etc. [f. prec.]

bris'(t)ling, n. A small sardine-like fish. [f.]

Bris'tol, n. (attrib.). ~ *board*, kind of cardboard for drawing on; (*shipshape* &) ~ *fashion* (Naut., & transf.), with all in good order; ~ *milk* P. kind of sherry.

Brit'ain (-itn), n. (Also *Great* ~) England, Wales, & Scotland, the British Empire; *North* ~, Scotland; *Greater* ~ (descriptive, not official), Gt ~ & the dominions & colonies. [ME *Bretayne* f. OF *Bretagne* f. L *Britannia* or *Britannia* (L *Britannia* would have produced F *Bri-, Breaigne*)]

Britann'ia (-ya), n. Personification of Britain; ~ *metal*, alloy of tin & regulus of antimony resembling silver. [L *Britannia*, *Britannia*, *Britannia*, = Gk *Brettania* f. *Britanni* or *Britanni*, = Gk *Brettanoi*]

Britann'ic, a. Of Britain (chiefly in phr. *Her or His Majesty*). [prob. f. F *britannique* f. L *Britannicus*]

Brit'icism, n. = BRITISHISM. [U.S. wd, non-existent *Britic* + -ISM(4)]

Brit'ish, a. Of the ancient Britons; of Great Britain or its inhabitants (esp. in political or imperial connexion, & in botany etc.); the ~, ~ soldiers, people, etc.; ~ *Academy*, chartered body of 200 for promotion of moral & political sciences; ~ *Association* (for advancement of science); ~ *Expeditionary Force* (abbr. B.E.F.), any of the armies sent abroad in wartime, esp. Sir J. French's original force in France in 1914; ~ *Museum*, national museum of antiquities, books, etc., in London; ~ *warm*, kind of short military overcoat. [OE *Brettisc* f. *Bret* Briton; see -ISM¹]

Brit'isher, n. (U.S. term for) British subject of British descent. [prob. a U.S. wd; cf. *foreigner*, -ER¹]

Brit'ishism, n. Idiom used in Gt Britain & not in U.S. etc. [-ISM(4)]

Brit'on, n. One of the race found by Romans in S. England; native of Great Britain or the British Empire (poet., melodramatic, etc.); *North* ~, Scotsman. [ME & F *breton* f. L *Brittonem* nom. *Britto*, f. the native name, which displaced *Britanni* after the Roman conquest]

brit'tle, a. Apt to break, fragile. Hence ~NESS (-in-) n. [ME *brithl* cf. OE *bréotan* break]

brit'ska, -tskas, (-itaka), n. Open car-

riage with calash top & space for reclining. [f. Pol. *bryczka* dim. of *bryka* wagon]

brize (-taz). = BREEZE¹.

*broach¹, n. Roasting-spit; church spire rising from tower without parapet; boring-bit. [ME & F *broche* = It. *brocca* cf. L *brocci dentes* projecting teeth; var. of BROOCH]*

broach², v.t. Pierce (cask) to draw liquor, begin drawing (liquor); open & start using (bale, box, cargo, etc.); begin discussion of, moot, (subject). [f. prec.]

broach³, v.t. & i. (Usu. ~ to) veer or cause (ship) to veer & present side to wind & waves. [perh. f. obs. use of prec. = turn on the spit]

broad (-awd), a., n., & adv. 1. Large across, wide, not narrow; = in breadth (6 ft ~); extensive (~ lands); full, clear, main, explicit, (~ daylight, facts, distinction, hint); coarse (~ story); downright in sound, not mincing, (~ Yorkshire, Scotch); generalized (~ rule); tolerant (B ~ Church, churchmen favouring comprehension & not pressing doctrines); bold in effect or style; as ~ as it is long, indifferent; || ~ ARROW; ~ *beam* (the common flattened variety); || ~ cloth, fine plain-weave double-width dressed black cloth [phr. in Act of Parl. 1482 kept as name for quality rather than width]; ~ GAUGE; ~ glass, window-glass; ~ *mind'*edness, (the condition of) being tolerant in thought or opinion; ~ sheet, large sheet of paper printed on one side only; ~ side, ship's side above water between bow & quarter (~ side on, to, with this presented), (discharge of) all guns on one side of ship, also = ~ sheet; ~ silk, ~ weaver, (oil) silk in piece not in ribbons; ~ sword, ~ bladed cutting-sword. 2. n. The ~ part (~ of the back); || (E. Anglia) large piece of fresh water formed by widening of river. 3. adv. = ~ ly (speak ~, ~ awake); ~ blown, in full bloom. Hence ~ EN² v.t. & i., ~ LY², ~ WAYS, ~ WISE, advv. [OE *brād*, com.-Teut. cf. G *breit*]

broad'cast (-awdkah-), a., adv., v.t. & i. (past -casted, p.p. -cast), & n. (Of seed) scattered freely, not in drills or rows, (adv.) in this manner, (v.i. & t.) sow thus, (all also fig. of information, propaganda, etc.); (Wireless, v.t.) disseminate (news, music, any audible matter) by wireless telephony to owners of receiving-sets, (v.i.) speak, sing, play, etc., for such transmission, (n., esp. attrib.) the practice etc. of ~ing (to-day's ~ programme). [f. prec. + cast p.p.]

Broad'moor (braw-), n. Asylum in Berkshire for criminal lunatics.

broad'ness (-aw-), n. (Superseded by *breadth*, exc. in sense) indelicacy (of speech). [-NESS]

Bröb'dingnäg, n. Land of giants. Hence ~IAN (-äg²) a. [Swift, *Gulliver's Travels*]

brocade¹, n. Fabric woven with raised

patterns; Indian cloth of gold & silver. [f. Sp. & Port. *brocado* = It. *broccato* cf. *broach*¹ & see -ADE]

brocade², v.t. Work with raised pattern. [f. prec.]

brôc'(c)oli, n. Cultivated cabbage with edible flower head, hardy variety of cauliflower. [It., pl. of *broccolo* cabbage-top dim. of *brocco* see *BROACH*¹]

brôché (-shâ), a. & n. (Of fabrics, esp. silk) embossed, woven with a pattern on the surface; (n.) such fabric. [F, p.p. of *brocher* stitch]

brêchûre (-shoor), n. Stitched booklet, pamphlet. [F]

brôck, n. Badger; stinking fellow. [OE *broc* f. Celt. cf. Gk *phorkos* grey]

brôck'êt, n. Second-year stag with straight horns. [f. F *brocart* (*broche* *BROACH*¹ + -ARD)]

broderie Anglaise (brôd'ri ahnglâz'), n. Open embroidery on white linen or cambric. [F, = English embroidery]

brogue¹ (-ôg), n. Rude Irish & Scotch-Highland shoe of untanned leather; *fishing* ~s, waterproof leggings with feet nailed & gilded shoe for golf etc. [f. Gael. & Ir. *brog* f. OIr. *broce* shoe perh. f. OCelt. *bracca* whence L *braccæ* see *BREECH*]

brogue² (-ôg), n. Dialectal, esp. Irish, accent. [perh. f. S. Gael. *barrog*, applied to cramped pronunciation]

broid'er, v.t., **broid'erÿ**, n. (Poet. & arch. for) *EMBROIDER*(Y).

broil¹, n. Quarrel, tumult. [f. obs. vb *broil* mix, quarrel, f. F *brouiller* cf. It. *broglia* n. hurly-burly, & *brogliare* v., etym. dub.]

broil², v.t. & i. Cook (meat) or be cooked on fire or gridiron; make, be, very hot (of person in sun etc.). [etym. dub.; the form *brule*, common before 1500, may be assim. to F *brûler* burn]

broil³, n. Broiled meat. [f. prec.]

brôke¹, n. Short-stapled wool on certain parts of fleece. [OE *broc* f. *brecan* *BRAK*]

brôke², p.p. of *BRAK*, still often used in some spec. senses, as = *ruined* (esp., sl., *skny* ~), & *dismissed the service*.

brôk'en, a. In vbl senses of *BRAK*¹; also or esp., ~ *meat* etc., remains; ~ *tea*, siftings; ~ *water*, choppy; ~ *ground*, uneven; ~ *sleep*, intermittent; ~ *weather*, uncertain; ~ *English*, imperfect; ~ *numbers*, fractions; ~ *money*, small change; ~ *hearted*, crushed by grief; ~ *man*, reduced to despair; ~ *reed*; ~ *time*, (esp. working) time which has been reduced by interruptions; ~ *winded*, (of horse) incapacitated for hard work by ruptured air-cells. [p.p. of *BRAK*]

brôk'enly, adv. Spasmodically, by jerks, with breaks. [prec. + -LY²]

brôk'er, n. || Dealer in second-hand furniture etc.; middleman in bargains; agent, commissioner; || person licensed to

sell or appraise distrained goods. Hence ~AGE(4) n. [ME & AF *brocwor* f. L ¹*broccatore* nom. -or (see -OR²) *broacher* (BROACH¹) of cask, retailer of wine]

brôk'ing, n. Broker's trade, acting as broker. [f. obs. vb *broke* of. prec.]

|| **brôll'y**, n. (sl.). Umbrella. [abbr.]

brôm'al, n. Compound produced by action of bromine on alcohol. [BROM(INE) + al- of ALCOHOL]

brôm'ic, a. Containing bromine in chem. combination. Hence **brôm'ATE**(3) n. [BROMINE, -IC]

brôm'ide, n. Compound (see -IDE) of bromine, esp. ~ of potassium; a common-place bore, trite remark, conventionalism, (orig. U.S. sl.); ~ *paper*, photographic printing & enlarging paper coated with silver ~ emulsion. [coll. + -IDE]

brôm'ine, n. Non-metallic element resembling chlorine (poisonous dark liquid with rank smell) used in various preparations as sedative. Hence **brôm'IZE**(5) v.t., **brôm'ISM**(5) n. [f. F *brome* f. Gk *brômos* stink + -INE³]

brômo-, **brôm-**, comb. forms of *bromine* as in *bromobenzic*, *bromacetic*. [-o-]

brôn'hî, **brôn'hîa**, (-ngk-), nn. pl. (Form -i, with sing. -us) two main divisions of wind-pipe; (-iâ) ramifications of these in lungs. Hence **brôn'hîal** a., **brôn'hîo-**, **brôn'hîo-**, (-ngk-), comb. forms, **brônchô'tômist**, -ô'tômy, nn. [L, f. Gk *brôgkhos*, *brôgkhia*]

brônch'it'is (-ngk-), n. Inflammation of bronchial mucous membrane. Hence ~it'IC a. [prec. + -ITIS]

brôn'hocœle (-ngkôsêl), n. Swelling of thyroid gland, goitre. [f. Gk *brôgkhokêlê* (BRONCHO-, -CÊLE)]

brôn'cû (-ngk-), n. (pl. -os). Wild or half-tamed horse of California etc.; ~-bustler (sl.), breaker in of ~s. [Sp., =rough]

Brôntosaur'us, n. Genus of huge prehistoric dinosaurian reptiles of the Jurassic & Cretaceous periods. [f. Gk *brônêlê* thunder + *sauros* lizard]

brônze¹, n. & a. 1. Brown alloy chiefly of copper & tin (about 8:1; the ~ age, in which weapons and tools were made of ~); work of art made of this; colour of ~; hence **brônz'y**² a. 2. adj. Made of, coloured like, ~. [F, f. It. *bronzio*, *bronzino*, f. L (aes) *Brundisium* (brass) of Brundisium]

brônze², v.t. & i. Give bronze-like surface to; make or become brown, tan. [f. prec.]

brooch (-ô-), n. Ornamental, jewelled, etc., safety-pin for fastening some part of female dress, esp. the neck. [ME *broche* = *BROACH*¹]

brôod¹, n. Hatch of young birds or other egg-produced animals; (usu. contempt.) human family, children; swarm, crew, of men, animals, or things; ~, for breeding (~mare, -hen). [OE *brôd* cf. G *brut* f. Teut. vb root *bro-* warm]

broöd¹, v.i. Sit as hen on eggs; hang close over or on (of night etc.); meditate on or over (esp. insults, ill designs, etc.); meditate (often sullenly). [f. prec.]

broöd², y, a. Wishing to sit or incubate (of hen). Hence ~NESS n. (BROOD¹ + -Y²)

brook¹, n. Small stream; ~lime, kind of Speedwell common in ditches [OE *hleomoc* name of the plant]. Hence ~LIT n. [OE *bróc* cf. G *bruch* moor, marsh; etym. dub.]

brook², v.t. Put up with, tolerate (in neg. context). [OE *brūcan*; com.-Teut., cf. G *brauchen* use, f. OTeut. *bruk*-use cf. L *frui fruct*-]

broom, n., & v.t. Yellow-flowered shrub growing on sandy banks etc.; genus to which it belongs; sweeping-implement usu. on long handle (vb, sweep with this); new ~, newly appointed official eager to sweep away abuses; ~rape, genus of parasitic herbs on roots of broom etc. (brown, leafless, fleshy-stemmed, bracteate) [med. L *rapum* root-knob]; ~stick, handle of ~ (ridden on through the air by witches, & jumped over by parties to sham marriage). [OE *bróm* f. OTeut. *brāmos* thorny shrub whence BRAMBLE]

brōse (-z), n. Dish of oatmeal with boiling water or milk poured on it; *Athole* ~, mixture of whisky & honey. [= BREWS]

broth (-ō-, -aw-), n. Water in which something, esp. meat, has been boiled, thin soup; (Irish) ~ of a boy, good fellow. [com.-Teut. f. vb root *bru*- boil, BREW, + -TH¹]

broth²el, n. House of ill fame, bawdy-house. [orig. = ruined man f. OE *brothen* p.p. of *broethan* go to ruin, but confused with *bordel* cabin, hut, f. OF f. It. *bordello* (med. L *borda* f. Teut. *bord* BOARD)]

broth³er (-ādh-), n. (pl. ~s & in some senses *breth³ren* pr. -ēdhrin, see below). Son of same parents or (strictly half~) parent as another person (the latter usu. specified by *my* etc. or a possessive case; pl. abbr. *Bros*, in title of firm, as *Smith Bros & Co.*); close friend; fellow citizen, countryman, or man, equal, (*a man & a ~*, esp. of negro slaves); fellow member of religious society (pl. *brethren*); fellow member of guild, order, profession, etc. (pl. *brethren*); official of certain companies etc. (*Elder B~*, *Brethren*, of Trinity House); companion, associate, (pl. ~s) often with specification as ~ in arms, of the angle; member of religious order (as title, either pl.); vocative of sovereigns to each other: ~ german, on both sides, ~ uterine, of same mother only, ~ of one's husband or wife, husband of one's sister.

brother, n. (Aryan; OE *broðer* of G *bruder*, Sl. *brat*, Gk *phrater*, L *frater*, W *brued*)

broth⁴erhōd (-ādh-), n. Fraternal tie; companionship; (members of) association for mutual help etc.; community of feeling. [OE *broðerred* ME *brotherhede* -hede; see -HEAD]

brougham (-ōm, -ōō'am), n. One-horse (or electric) closed carriage. [Lord B~] brought. See BEING.

brow¹, n. Arch of hair over eye (usu. in pl.; knit, bend, one's ~s, frown); forehead (~ague, megrim); edge, projection, of cliff etc., top of hill in road. Hence ~ED² (-wd) a. [OE *brū* f. OTeut. *brds* of Skr. *bhrus*, Gk *ophrus*]

brow², n. (naut.). Gangway, inclined plane of planks. [perh. f. Da. *bru* bridge] **brow³beat**, v.t. Bully, bear down, with looks & words. [BROW¹]

brown¹, a. Of the colour given by mixing orange & black or by toasting bread; as distinctive epithet of species etc. (~ bear, willow; ~ coal, lignite; ~ bread, of unbolted flour; ~ paper, coarse unbleached kind used for parcels etc.; ~ shirt, a Nazi; ~ sugar, half refined; ~ ware, common sort of pottery); dark-skinned, tanned; || (sl.) do ~, take in, cheat; B~ Bess, old army flintlock musket; ~ study, reverie. Hence ~ISH¹ (2) a., ~NESS (-nn-) n., ~y- comb. form. [OE *brūn*; com.-Teut. cf. G *braun* f. OTeut. *brūnos*, Aryan *bhrānos*, root *bhru*-cf. BEAVER; Rom. wds. as F *brun*, It. *bruno*, adopted f. the Teut.]

brown², n. Brown colour; brown pigment; (ellipt. for) brown butterfly, fishing-fly, clothes; || (sl.) copper coin; || the ~, brown mass of flying gamebirds; || fire into the ~, let fly into a covey without confusing out a bird (also transf., fire, launch missile, indiscriminately into a mass). [f. prec.]

brown³, v.t. & i. Make or become brown by roasting, sunburn, or (gun-barrel etc.) chemical process; || ~ed off (sl.), bored, fed up. [f. BROWN¹]

brown⁴ie, n. Benevolent shaggy goblin haunting house & doing household work secretly; junior member (ages 8-11) of GIRL guides; (Photog.) kind of camera. [BROWN¹ + -Y¹]

Brown⁵ing, n. Kind of automatic pistol. [~, surname]

***brown⁶stone**, n. Kind of reddish-brown sandstone used for building (esp. in front elevation); ~ district, quarter occupied by the well-to-do. [BROWN¹]

browse¹ (-z), n. Twigs, young shoots, etc., as fodder for cattle; act of browsing. [foll.]

browse² (-z), v.i. & t. Feed on, crop, (leaves, twigs, scanty vegetation); (abs.) feed thus, (fig.) read for enjoyment. [f. 16th c. F *brouster* vb, *broust* n. (now *broust*, f. Teut., cf. OSax. *brustian* see BREAST)]

Bru (-ā-), n. (Personifying name for)

bear. [MDa., -BROWN¹, name in *Reynard the Fox*]

bruise¹ (-ōbz), n. Injury by blow to body (also to fruit etc.) discolouring skin. [f. foll.]

bruise² (-ōbz), v.t. & i. Injure by blow that discolours skin without breaking it or any bone, contuse, (human or animal body, also fruit, plant, etc.); dint, batter, (wood, metal); (fig.) disable; pound, bray, grind small; (Hunting) ride recklessly; (with *easily* etc.) show effects of blow. [OE *brysan* crush combined w. AF *bruser* (now *briser*) break perh. f. Teut.]

bruise³ (-ōbz), n. In vbl senses; esp., prizefighter. [-ER¹]

bruit¹ (-ōbt), n. (arch.). Report, rumour. [F., = noise (*bruire* roar perh. f. L *rugire*)]

bruit² (-ōbt), v.t. (arch.). Spread (report) abroad, about, make famous, celebrate. [f. prec.]

brumb'y, n. (Austral. colloq.). Unbroken horse. [f.]

Brumm'agè'm, n. & a. (Dial. & contempt. form of Birmingham; (article) made at ~, counterfeit, cheap & showy. [allusion to counterfeit groats made there in 17th c., & to its plated goods]

brum'ous (-ōb-), a. Wintry, foggy. [f. L *bruma* (= *brevima* shortest day f. *brevis*) + -OUS]

brunch, n. (sl.). Single meal in lieu of breakfast & lunch. [portmanteau wd.]

brunette¹ (-ōb-), n. & a. Dark-skinned & brown-haired (woman). [F., fem. of *brunet* dim. of *brun* BROWN¹ see -ETTE]

Bruns'wick (-z), a. From ~ in Germany esp., ~ line, of Eng. sovereigns from George I; ~ black, a varnish. [f. G *Braunschweig*]

brūt, n. Chief stress (usu. of the attack etc., & in phr. *bear the ~ of*). [etym. dub. there is ON *bruna* to advance like fire]

brush¹, n. 1. (Arch. & U.S., Austral. etc.) brushwood or underwood, thicket, small trees & shrubs growing or (in U.S.) cut in fagots. 2. Implement of bristles, hair, wire, etc., set in wood etc. for scrubbing or sweeping; bunch of hairs etc. in straight handle, quill, etc., for painting etc.; *the ~*, art of painting; ~, painter's style, painter (*from the same ~*). 3. Tail, esp. of fox; ~-like tuft. 4. (Electr.) ~-like discharge of sparks, piece of carbon or metal ending in wires or strips securing good metallic connexion, (also) movable strip of conductible material for making & breaking connexion. 5. (Optics) bright or dark figure with vague edge. 6. Application of ~, brushing, esp. ~ up [f. foll.]; short smart encounter, skirmish, graze, abrasion, [f. foll.]; ~-penol, artist's colour; ~-wood, undergrowth, thicket; ~-work, painter's style & manipulation. Hence ~-y¹ a. (as *wood*) ME *brusche* f. OF *broce*, *broce*, (other senses) ME *brusche* f. OF *broce*, *broise*; whether *broce* & *broise* are identical in etym., & f. Teut. (cf. G *borste* bristle, *bürste* brush), is uncertain] **brush**², v.t. & i. Move briskly, esp. *by, through, against*; sweep or scrub clean, put in order, with brush; ~ *up*, turkish, (fig.) renew one's memory of; ~ *over*, paint lightly; graze or touch in passing; remove (dust etc.) with brush; ~ *aside, away* (fig.), ignore, pass over; injure by grazing. [partly f. prec., perh. partly f. F *brosser* dash through underwood (*brosse* brush-wood)]

brusque (-ōsk, -ūsk), a. Blunt, offhand, (of or in manner, speech). Hence ~-ly¹ (-kl-) adv., ~-ness (-kn-), ~-rie (-ōskəŕē) [-ERY], nn. [F., f. It. *brusco* sour, etym. dub.]

Brüss'els (-z), a. Made or grown at, or adopted from, ~, as ~ *carpet, lace, sprouts* (edible buds of kind of cabbage).

brüt, a. (Of wines) unsweetened. [F]

brut'al (-ōb-), a. Sensual, rude, coarse, savagely cruel. Hence ~ism⁽²⁾, **brut'al-ity**, nn., ~-ly² adv., (-ōb-). [f. L *brutus* BEUTE + -AL]

brut'aliz'e, v.t. & i. (-ōb-). Make (*rarely* grow) brutal. Hence ~-ation n. [prec. + -IZE(3)]

brutle (-ōbt), a. & n. (Beast) not gifted with reason; stupid, sensual, unspirited, beast-like, cruel, or passionate (person; & in same adj. senses of acts, motives, etc.); unconscious, merely material, (~ *force, matter*); lower animal; lower nature in man. Hence ~-hood (-t-h-) n., ~-ish⁽¹⁾ a., ~-ishly² adv., ~-ishness n., ~-ly v.t., ~-ification n., (-ōb-). [f. F *brut* f. L *brutus* dull]

brut'um fūl'mèn (-ōb-) n. Empty threat, blank cartridge (fig.). [L]

Brut'us (-ōb-), n. Style of wig (19th cent.). [F name in honour of Roman hero]

brýl'ogist, -l'og'y, nn. Person learned in, the lore of, mosses. [Gk *bruron* kind of seaweed + -LOGIST, -LOGY]

brý'on'y, n. Genus of climbing plants; *Red* or *White B~*, common species; *Black B~*, *Bastard B~*, plants resembling but not belonging to the genus. [f. L f. Gk *bruōnta* (*bruō* swell)]

büb'al, n. A N.-African antelope. [f. L f. Gk *boubalos* ox-like antelope]

büb'ble¹, n. Spherical or hemispherical envelope of liquid enclosing air etc.; air-filled cavity in solidified liquid, as glass, amber; unsubstantial or visionary project, enterprise, etc. (also adj. in this sense; prick the ~, unmask futility, pretension, etc.); sound or appearance of boiling; ~-aqueous, cold meat fried with chopped vegetables. Hence **büb'ble**², v.i. (also ~-n., ~-n., champagne). [f. foll.] **büb'ble**³, v.i. & t. Stand up, rise in, make the sound of, bubble fit., & fig. as ~-over, or ~, with laughter, ~-watts:

(arch.). [prob. imit. of sound of bursting bubbles, or of the action of lips in making one; cf. BLES, BLUBBER]

|| **būb'bl'y-jock**, n. Turkey-cook. [*bubbly* (BUBBLE¹) + *Jock* = *Jack*]

būb'ō, n. (pl. -oes). Inflamed swelling in glandular part, esp. groin or armpit. Hence ~ōn'io a. [L.L. f. Gk *boubōn* groin]

būbōn'oele (-sēl), n. Hernia of groin. [proc., -CELE]

buccaneer', n., & v.i. (Be a) sea-rover, pirate, esp. of the Spanish-American coasts; adventurer. Hence ~ISH¹ (-nēf-) a. [f. F *boucanier* hunter of oxen (*boucan* BARBECUE-frame Braillian wd)]

buc'cinātor (būks-), n. Flat thin cheek-muscle. [L (*buccinare* blow the trumpet f. *buccina*, -TOR)]

Būcēph'alus, n. Riding-horse (facet.). [charger of Alexander of Macedon]

Buch'man'ism (būk-, būk-), n. Religious system, occas. called the *Oxford Group* (Movement) & (in U.S.) the *Moral Rearmament Movement*, introduced c. 1921 by F. Buchman. So ~ITE¹ a. & n. [-ISM]

būck', n. Male of fallow-deer, reindeer, chamois, antelope, hare, rabbit; dandy (also old ~, vocative = old fellow), whence ~ISH¹ a., ~ishly¹ adv.; (attrib., sl.) male, of or for males, (~ *nigger*, *lunch*, etc.); ~horn, as material for knife handles etc. (also ~, as ~handled); ~hound, small variety of staghound (not now used for hunting); ~shot, coarse shot; ~skin, (leather made of) ~'s skin, (pl.) breeches of it; ~thorn, thorny shrub with cathartic berries; ~tooth, one that projects. [OE *buc* & *bucca*, cf. G *bock* he-goat; F *bouc*, W *buch*, are f. the Teut.]

būck', v.i. & t. (Of horse) jump vertically with back arched & feet drawn together (also ~jump, whence ~jumper¹ n.); ~off, throw (rider) thus. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. prec.]

būck', v.i. & t. (sl.). (With up) make haste, become or make vigorous or cheerful, (esp. intr. in imperat.). [perh. f. BUCK¹ in sense *dandy*]

|| **būck'**, n. Basket for trapping eels. [?]

būck', n. Body of cart (chiefly in comb. as ~board, ~cart, in various local senses). [perh. f. obs. *bouk* belly cf. BULK n.]

būck', n., & v.i., (orig. Anglo-Ind.). Conversation, boastful talk; (v.i.) chat, swagger, brag (*about*); ~stick (sl.), braggart. [f. Hind. *bakad* talk freely]

***būck'**, n. (sl.). Article placed as a reminder before a player whose turn it is to deal at poker; *pass the ~ to*, shift responsibility to (another), make a dupe of (person). [?]

***būck'**, n. (sl.). Dollar. [?]

būck-bean, n. Water plant with pinkish seedpods. [transl. (1578) of Flem. *bocks* = *beenen* goats' beans]

būck'ēt', n. Wooden or other vessel for drawing or carrying water; piston of pump; compartment of water-wheel, scoop of dredging-machine or grain-elevator; socket for whip, carbine, wooden leg, etc.; *kick the ~* (sl.), die (but perh. f. obs. *bucket* beam, yoke); ~shop, (orig. U.S.) office for gambling in stocks, speculating on markets, etc. [accidental; story connected with elevator of office first so called]. Hence ~FUL(2) (-ōbl) n. [perh. f. OE *buc* pitcher, or f. OF *buket* tub]

būck'ēt', v.i. & t. Ride hard (horse, or abs.); || (Rowing) hurry the forward swing, row hurried stroke. [f. prec., of *pump* = exhaust]

Būck'ingham Pāl'ace, n. London residence of the Sovereign. [place]

būck'kle', n. Metal rim with hinged spiked tongue for securing strap, ribbon, etc. [f. F *boucle* f. L *buccula* cheek-strap (*bucca* cheek, see -ULE)]

būck'kle', v.t. & i. Fasten with buckle (often up, on, etc.); ~ to (with to prep.) prepare for, set about, (with to adv.) get to work, start vigorously; (cause to) give way, crumple up, under longitudinal pressure (t. & i. of wheel, saw, etc.). [f. prec.; the last sense perh. f. F *bouclier* bulge]

būck'ler, n., & v.t. Small round shield usu. held by handle; protection, protector, (vb, protect); also technically in various naut., zool., & anat. senses. [f. OF *bouclier* (now *bouclier*) f. L ⁺*buccularius* f. *buccula* BUCKLE¹, -ER(2)]

būck'ō, a. & n. (naut. sl.). Swaggering (fellow). [f. BUCK¹]

būck'ra, a. n. (negro dial.). Characteristic of, belonging to, the white man; (n.) white man, master. [etym. dub.; perh. f. Surinam negro patois *bakra* master]

būck'ram, n. & a. Coarse linen or cloth stiffened with gum or paste; stiffness, stiff, (of manner); strong, strength, in appearance only; *men in ~*, ~ *men*, non-existent (1 *Hen. IV.* n. iv. 210-50). [f. OF *boquerant* or It. *bucherame* etym. dub.] || **būck'shee**, n., a., & adv., (sl., orig. army). 1. Something in addition to the usual allowance, as extra rations. 2. adj. & adv. Gratuitous(ly), free. [corrupt. of BAKSHEESH]

būck'wheat (-wēt), n. A cereal plant with seed used for horse & poultry food, & in U.S. for breakfast cakes. [= *beech wheat*, from its three-cornered seeds like beech-mast; either transl. of Du. *boekweit* or made on obs. *buckmast* = beechmast]

būcōl'ic, a. & n. Of shepherds, pastoral, rustic; (usu. pl.) pastoral poems (*the B-s*, those of Virgil). Hence **būcōl'ically** adv. [f. L f. Gk *boukolikos* f. *boukolos* herdsman (*bous* cow, *kol-* cf. L *colere* tend)]

būd¹, n. Rudiment of branch, leaf-cluster, or flower; flower not fully open; (Zool.) animal forming by GEMMATION; anything still undeveloped; in ~, putting forth buds; *nip in the ~*, destroy at early stage (fig.). Hence ~LESS a., ~LET n. [ME *budde*, *bodde*, etym. dub.]

būd², v.i. & t. (-dd-). Put forth buds, spring forth; begin to grow or develop (~ding horns, lawyer, cricketer); (Zool.) produce, be produced, by GEMMATION; (Gardening) ingraft (trans. or abs.) into alien stock. [f. prec.]

budd¹ed, p.p. In vbl senses; esp., that has budded, is in bud. [-ED¹(2)]

Buddh¹a (bōd¹ā), n. The Enlightened, title of successive teachers past & future of the Asiatic religion ~ISM(3) (bōd¹ī) n., but applied esp. to Sakyamuni, Gautama, or Siddhartha (5th c. B.C., in N. India). Hence ~IST(2) (bōd¹ī-) n. & a., ~is'tic(AL) aa. [Skr. p.p. of *budh* awake]

būd²lela (-lēa), n. Kinds of shrub with lilac or yellow flowers of various forms. [A. *Buddle*, botanist, -ia¹]

***būd³y**, n. (colloq.). (Usu. as familiar form of address) brother, ohum, mate. [dim. of *bud*, childish pronunc. of *brother*]

budge, v.i. & t. Make the slightest movement, force to do this, (in neg. sentences). [f. *F* *bouger* stir perh. (cf. *Pr. bolegar*) = It. *bulicare* f. LL *bullicare* frequent. of *bullire* boil]

būdg¹erigār, n. The grass parakeet, or Australian love-bird. [native name]

būdg²et, n., & v.i. Contents of a bag or bundle (mostly fig., esp. of news, & as title of newspapers); annual estimate of revenue & expenditure by Chancellor of Exchequer in House of Commons; private person's similar estimate; (v.i.) ~ for, allow or arrange for in ~. Hence ~ARY¹ a. [f. *F* *bouquette* dim. of *bouge* leather bag f. L *bulga* (f. Gallic) knapsack]

buff¹, n. & a. (Of) stout velvety dull-yellow leather of buffalo or ox-hide; the human skin (in ~, naked); (of) dull-yellow colour (the B-~s, East Kent Regt. from colour of the facings); (Path.) ~agulated coating on blood drawn from fever patients, whence ~Y¹ a.; ~coat, ~jerkin, formerly worn by soldiers as proof against sword-cut; ~stick, ~wheel, polishing tools covered with ~; ~tip, kind of moth. [f. *F* *buffle* BUFFALO]

buff², v.t. Polish (metal) with buff; make (leather) velvety like buff. [f. prec.]

buff³alō, n. (pl. -oes). Kinds of ox (*Bos bubalus*, India, Asia, Europe, N. Africa; *Bos capra*, S. Africa; incorrectly, American Bison); amphibious tank. [prob. f. Port. *bufalo*, f. L f. Gk *boudalos* antelope]

buff⁴er¹, n. Apparatus for deadening by springs or padding, or sustaining by strength of beams etc., a concussion, esp. of railway vans; ~ State, small State between two large ones diminishing

chance of hostilities. [f. obs. vb *buff* (prob. imit. of sound made by soft body struck, cf. *Puff* & *F. bouffer*) + -ER¹]

buff⁵er², n. (sl.). (Usu. old~) old-fashioned or incompetent fellow. [etym. dub.; Wyoll's Bible has it = stammerer—the tunge of bufferes swiftli shal speke¹]

buff⁶et¹, n., & v.t. & i. (Strike with) blow of the hand; (of fate etc.) knock, hurt, plague; contend with (waves); contend with. [OF, dim. of *buffe* blow (also in obs. E *buff* cf. BLIND¹-man's-buff)]

buff⁶et², n. 1. Sideboard, recessed cupboard, for china, plate, etc. 2. (pr. bōf⁶ā) refreshment bar. [F, etym. dub.; sense 2 of later introduction than 1; there is also *buffet* stool, hassock, (obs. exo. in dial. & in Little Miss Muffet sat on a ~)]

buffo (bōf⁶ō), n. & a. Burlesque, comic, (actor). [It.]

buffoon, n., & v.i. (Play the) wag, jester, mocker. Hence ~ERY(4) n. [f. *F* *buffon* f. It. *buffone* (*buffa* jest, *buffare* to puff, -oon)]

būg, n. Flat ill-smelling blood-sucking insect infesting beds; (loosely) small insect (often with defining word as *harvest*, *May*, ~; ~hunter etc., entomologist); *big* ~ (sl.), person of importance. Hence ~g¹Y¹ a. [?]

būg²aboo, **būg²bear** (-bā), nn. Fancied object of fear; false belief used to intimidate or dissuade. [etym. & mutual relation doubtful; cf. BOGY, BOGLE, & obs. *bug* in same sense]

būgg¹er (-g-), n., & v.t. (Law) sodomite, man having unnatural intercourse with beast or man, whence **būgg¹ERY(4)** n.; (in foul or low talk, abusively or humorously): fellow, beggar, chap, beast; (v.t.) ~ about, hound from pillar to post. [f. *F* *bougre* f. L *Bulgarus* 11th-c. heretic from Bulgaria, supposed capable of any crime]

būgg²y, n. Light vehicle for one or two persons (esp. in U.S., India, colonies). [?]

bū'gle¹, n., & v.i. & t. Brass instrument like small trumpet used for military signals; (vb) sound ~, sound (call) on ~. Hence **būg¹ler¹** n. [orig. hunting-horn, short for ~horn f. obs. & dial. & OF *bugle* young bull f. L *buculus* dim. of *bos* bovis ox see OOW]

bū'gle², n. Kinds of creeping plant with blue flowers. [F, f. LL *bugula*]

bū'gle³, n. Tube-shaped glass bead sewn on dress etc. for ornament. [etym. dub.; there is Du. *beugel* ring]

būg⁴let, n. Small (bicyclist's) bugle. [-ER¹]

būg⁵lōss, n. Kinds of plant allied with borago. [f. *F* *buglosse* f. L *buglossa* f. Gk *bouglossos* ox-tongued (*bous*, *glossa*), from shape & roughness of leaves]

buhl (bōb), n. & a. (Inlaid with) brass, tortoise-shell, etc., cut in ornamental patterns for inlaying. [Germanized f. *Boule* name of carver (d. 1788)]

build¹ (bi-), v.t. & i. (built). Construct by putting parts or material rightly together (house, ship, carriage, organ, engine, nest, or other structure large relatively to the builder); (abs.) be busy making one's house or nest; ~ *up, round, in*, surround (person, place, etc.) with houses etc., block up; (with material as obj.) lay *in* to wall etc. in ~ing; establish, make gradually, (often with *up*; system, empire, reputation); base (hopes etc.) *upon*, rely *upon*; *built* (with preceding adv.), of such & such a **build**². [ME *bulden* f. OE *bold* dwelling f. OTeut. *bul-* dwell, cf. *booth*]

build² (bi-), n. Style of construction, make; proportions of human body (*sturdy* ~ etc.). [prec.]

build³ (bi-), n. In vbl senses; esp., master-builder, contractor for building houses. [-ER¹]

build⁴ (bi-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: house, edifice; ~ *lease*, permitting lessee to build on the land; || ~ *society*, of contributors to fund for loan to members when needing house. [-ING¹]

bulb¹, n. Nearly spherical underground stem of lily, onion, etc., sending roots downwards & leaves etc. upwards; leaf-bud detaching itself from stem & becoming separate plant; (Anat.) roundish swelling of any cylindrical organ, as of hair-root or spinal cord; dilated part of glass tube (~ *tube*, ending in a ~); electric-light container. Hence ~ **ED**¹ (-bd), ~ **IR**² **ABUS**, **bul'** **BIROK**, aa., **bul'** **BO** **COMB** form. [f. L *bulbus* f. Gk *bulbos* comb.]

bulb², v.i. Swell into bulb(s). [f. prec.]

bul' bous, a. Of, having, like, springing from, a bulb. [**BULB**¹ + **OUS**]

bulbul (bōōl'bōōl), n. Eastern song-thrush; singer, poet. [Pers. f. Arab.]

bulge¹, n. Convex part, irregular swelling, tendency to swell out, on flat or flatter surface; = **BULGE**; (sl.) advantage (chiefly in phr. *have, or get, the ~ on, have, get, the advantage over*). Hence **bul'gy**² a., **bul'gy** **NESS** n. [ME, f. OF *boulge, bouge*, (or direct) f. L *bulga* see **BUNGET**]

bulge², v.i. & t. Swell outwards irregularly & usu. faultily; extend (bag etc.) by stuffing it. [f. prec.]

bul'im'y, **bul'im'ia**, n. (Med.) morbid hunger; (fig.) voracity (for books etc.). [f. Gk *boulimia* ox- (i.e. vast) hunger (*bous* ox + *imos* hunger); latinized *bulimia* now preferred in medical use]

bulk¹, n. Cargo (*break ~*, begin unloading; ~ *not equal to sample*; in ~, loose, not in package; *load in ~*, put grain etc. in loose; *sell in ~*, in large quantities, as it is in the hold); large shape, person, body; also, magnitude; great size; mass, large mass; the greater part or number of. [perh. f. ON ² *bulki* cargo, but with the meanings also of obs. *bouk* OE *bac* belly cf. G *bauch*]

bulk², v.i. & t. Seem in respect of size or importance (~ *large, larger*); ~ *up*, form considerable sum etc., amount to; pile in heaps (fish); (Customs) ascertain weight of (tea etc.) by emptying out of chest. [f. prec.]

bulk'head (-hēd), n. Upright partition dividing ship's cabins or water-tight compartments; compartment, stall. [f. obs. *bulk* framework before shop, stall, perh. f. ON *balkr* **BALK**¹]

bul'k'y, a. Large; too large. Hence ~ **INESS** n. [**BULK**¹ + **-Y**²]

bull¹ (bōōl), n. & a. 1. Uncastrated male of ox or any bovine animal (~ *in china shop*, reckless or clumsy destroyer; *take ~ by horns*, meet not evade difficulty); male of whale, elephant, & other large animals (usu. ~ *whale* or *whale-~* etc.); constellation & sign Taurus. 2. (St. Exch.) person trying to raise prices (see **BEAR**¹). 3. = **BULL'S-EYE** (of target). 4. adj. Like that of a ~ (~ *head, neck, voice*; also ~ *operations* on St. Exch.). 5. ~ *calf*, male calf, simpleton; || ~ *corner* (local), barred refuge, usu. at junction of fields, from ~'s attack; ~ *dog*, powerful & courageous large-headed smooth-haired breed of dog, tenacious & courageous (person), || University proctor's attendant, gun or pistol (esp. of a certain pattern), [f. use in ~ *balting*, or f. its ~ *head*]; *~ *doze*, v.t. (sl.), cow, coerce; *~ *dozer*, powerful caterpillar tractor pushing broad steel blade in front, used for removing obstacles, levelling uneven surfaces, etc.; ~ *fight*, Spanish sport of baiting ~ with horsemen etc.; ~ *finch*, strong-beaked handsome-plumaged song-bird, also [perh. = ~ *fence*, cf. *minch* dial. for *mince*] quickset hedge with ditch; ~ *frog*, large Amer. species; ~ *head*, small big-headed fish = Miller's thumb; ~ *headed*, obstinate, impetuous, blundering; ~ *of-the-bog*, bitter; ~ *puncher*, (Austral.) bullock-driver; ~ *pup*, ~ *bitch*, young, female, bulldog; ~ *ring*, arena for bullfight; ~ *roarer*, kind of noisy toy; ~ *s-eye*, boss of glass formed at centre of blown glass sheet, hemispherical piece or thick disk of glass as light in ship's side, hemispherical lens, (lantern) with such lens, small circular window, centre of target, kind of sweetmeat; ~ *terrier*, cross between bulldog & terrier; ~ *trout*, fish of salmon tribe. [OE *bulc* (in comb. only), cf. MLG *bulle*, prob. connected with **BELLOW**]

bull² (bōōl), v.i. & t. (St. Exch.) speculate for the rise; try to raise price of (stocks). [f. prec.; **BULL**¹ perh. merely corral. to the more explicable **BEAR**¹]

bull³ (bōōl), n. Papal edict. [f. L *bullas* **STILL**⁴]

bull⁴ (bōōl), n. (Often Irish ~) expression containing contradiction in terms or implying ludicrous inconsistency (often

an intelligible statement made absurd by compression). [etym. dub.; f. 1630 (connexion with *Irish* is more recent; there is *OF* *boul*, *bole*, trickery)]

bull⁴ (bóól), n. Drink made of water flavoured in empty spirit cask. [?]

Bull⁵. = *JOHN Bull*.

bull⁷ (bóól), n. Deck-game in which small flat sandbags are thrown on an inclined board marked with numbered squares. [?]

bullace (bóól'is), n. Wild (or semi-cultivated) plum tree or fruit. [f. *OF* *beloce* f. *LL* *pilota* *FELLER*]

bull⁸âte, a. (bot., physiol.). Puffy, blistered-looking. [f. *L* *bullatus* (*bulla* bubble, -ATE⁹)]

bull⁹ét (bób-), n. Missile of lead etc., spherical or conical, used in muskets & rifles (*Dumdum*, *expanding*, *soft-nosed*, *explosive*, ~, varieties so shaped etc. as to inflict complicated wound); ~-drawer, instrument for extracting ~ from wound; ~-head, -headed, (with) round & presumably thick head; ~-PROOF. [f. *F* *boulette* dim. of *boule* ball f. *L* *bulla* knob]

bull¹⁰étin (bób-), n. Short official statement of public event or news or of invalid's condition. [F. f. *It.* *bulletino* dim. of *bulletta* lottery ticket dim. of *bulla* seal, *BULL*¹]

bullion¹ (bóól'yón), n. & a. Gold or silver before (or as valued apart from) coining or manufacture; (made of) solid or real gold or silver. [AF, prob. = *F* *bouillon* soup f. med. *L* *bullionem* nom. -to (*L* *bullire* BOIL + -ION); but the meanings are E only]

bullion² (bóól'yón), n. Fringe of gold & silver thread twists. [f. *F* *bouillon*, see prec., in sense bubble (independent adoption)]

bull¹¹ionist (-óólyo-), n. Advocate of metallic currency. [*BULLION*¹ + -IST(2)]

bull¹²ock (bób-), n. Castrated bull, ox. [*OE* *bulluc* (-OCK)]

bull¹³'y (bób-), n. Blusterer, tyrant (esp. among boys), coward & tyrant; hired ruffian. [obs. senses *lover*, *sweetheart*, *gallant*, *fine fellow*, perh. f. *Du.* *boel* lover cf. *G* *buhle*]

bull¹⁴'y (bób-), v.t. Persecute, oppress, tease, physically or morally; frighten into or out of; (abs.) play the bully; ~ off, perform preliminary crossing of clubs in hockey. [f. prec.]

bull¹⁵'y (bób-), a. & int. (esp. U.S. & colonial). Capital, first-rate; ~ for you, *Mm*, etc., = bravo. [f. *BULLY*¹]

|| **bull**¹⁶'y (bób-), n. Scrummage in (prop. Eton) football.

bull¹⁷'y (bób-), n. (Also ~ *beef*) tinned beef. [perh. = *BOULL*, or f. *BULL*¹]

bull¹⁸'rúg (bób-). See *BALLRUG*.

bull¹⁹'rúsh (bób-), n. Kinds of tall rush (pop. the Cat's Tail; in Bible, papyrus).

[*BOLE* (strong-stemmed)! , or *BULL*¹ (big cf. *bullyfrog*, *bulltrout*, & Gk use of *boule* see *BULMY*)!]

bul¹wark (bób-), n. Rampart, earthwork, etc.; mole, breakwater; person; principle, etc., that acts as a defence; ship's side above deck. [cf. *Du.* *bolwerk*, *G* *bolwerk*; perh. = *BOLE* + *WORK* (log-rampart)]

búm¹, n. Backside, buttocks; || ~-baitiff (also ~), employed for arrests (from touching debtor on the back); ~-boat, plying with fresh provisions for ships (orig. scavenger boat). [cf. *BUMP*; earlier than, not contracted f., *bottom* in this sense]

***búm**², n., a., & v.i., (sl.). 1. Habitual loafer (*go on the ~*, sponge on the community). 2. adj. Of poor quality. 3. v.i. (-inn-). Loaf, sponge, wander around. [perh. back-formation f. *BUMMER*]

|| **búm**³'ble, n. Beadle; consequential jack-in-office. Hence ~DOM (-ld-) n. [name of beadle in *Oliver Twist*]

búm⁴'ble-bee, n. Large kind of bee. [f. obs. vb *bumble* (BOOM + -LE)]

búm⁵'ble-püppý, n. Whist, tennis, etc., played unscientifically; game with tennis-ball slung to post. [prop. an obs. out-of-door bagatelle; etym. dub.; there is obs. vb *bumble* bungle]

búm⁶bó, n. Cold rum-punch. [cf. *It.* *bombo* child's wd for drink]

|| **búm**⁷, n. (sl.). Toilet paper; paper-chase; paper(s), documents. [= *bum*¹ -f(adder)]

búmm¹aió, n. Small fish of S.-Asiatic coasts. [f. *Mahratti* *bombil*]

|| **búmm**²aree', n. Middleman at Billingsgate fish-market. [?]

***búmm**³'er, n. Idler, loafer. [cf. *G* *bummel*]

búmp¹, v.t. & i., & adv. 1. Push, throw down, (box etc.) *against* or *on* (wall, person, floor, etc.); hurt (one's head etc.) by striking it (*against*, *on*, or *abs.*); seize by arms & legs & strike the posterior of (person) *against* floor, wall, etc.; come with a bump *against*; go along with repeated bumps; (Boat-racing, see foll.) overtake; (of cricket-ball) rise abruptly on pitching; *~ off (sl.), remove by violence, murder. 2. adv. With a bump, suddenly, violently, (*come, go*, etc., ~, cf. *BANG*, *BOUNCE*). [expressing the sound, or shape of swelling]

búmp², n. Dull-sounding blow, knock, collision; swelling caused by it; (Phrenol.) prominence on skull, faculty indicated by it; (Boat-racing) touching of boat by next, a win for latter (~-*supper*, in celebration of this); (Aviation) variation of air pressure causing irregularity in aircraft's motion, jolt experienced by aircraft in flight; ~-ball (Octobet; pr. búm'bas) ball hit hard on ground close to bat, coming with a long hop to fieldman (so looking like a possible catch). [f. prec.]

būmp¹, n., & v.i. (Make) *bittern's cry*. [imit.]

būm'per, n. In vbl senses; also, *brim-full glass of wine*; (sl.) *anything unusu. large or abundant (harvest, full theatre)*; (Whist) *score of two games against nil*; (Motoring) *spring fender for mitigating collisions*. [-æ¹]

būmp'kin, n. Country or awkward or bashful fellow. [perh. f. Du. *boomken* little tree or MDu. *bommekeijn* little barrel]

būmp'tious (-shus), a. Self-assertive. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [ocular form, on BUMP² & e.g. *fractious*]

būm'pīj, a. Full of bumps, causing jolts, (esp. of road or cricket pitch or air in aviation). Hence ~INESS n. [-r¹]

būn¹, n. Small soft round sweet cake with a few currants (the usu. Eng. sense, but with local variations); *hot cross ~*, marked with cross & eaten on Good Friday; *hair dressed in ~ shape*. [perh. f. OF *bugne* bump, swelling, (at Lyons = fritter, whence mod. F *beigne*)]

|| **būn**¹, n. (Personifying name of) squirrel, rabbit. (etym. dub.; there is Sc. *bun*, hare's tail)

būnch¹, n. Cluster of things growing or fastened together (flowers, grapes, keys), lot (*best of the ~*); (sl.) *gang, group; ~ of fives* (sl.), fist, hand. Hence ~Y¹ a. [f]

būnch¹, v.t. & i. Make into bunch(es), gather (dress) into folds; come or cling together, (Mil., of skirmishers) fall to keep intervals. [f. prec.]

***būnc**¹, n., & v.t., (sl.). (To) swindle (esp. by card-sharpping or the confidence trick); ~steerer, swindler. [cf. Sp. *banca* a card-game]

būn'combe. See BUNKUM.

būnd, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Embankment, causeway, quay. [Hind. *band*, of Persian orig.]

būn'der, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Landing-place, quay, harbour; ~boat (used for coasting & harbour work). [Hind.]

būn'dle¹, n. Collection of things fastened together (esp. clothes & odds & ends in handkerchief); set of sticks, iron rods, etc., bound up; set of parallel fibres, nerves, etc.; 20 hanks of linen yarn. [perh. f. MDu. *bundel* cf. G *bündel* (O Tent. *bündan* BUND); see -LE(1)]

būn'dle¹, v.t. & i. Tie in, make up into, a bundle; throw confusedly in to any receptacle; go, put or send (esp. a person), in a hurry or unceremoniously out, off, away, etc. [f. prec.]

būn'dōk, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Rifle, musket. [Hind. *bandūk*]

būng¹, n. Stopper, esp. large cork stopping hole in cask; (sl.) lie; ~hole, for filling cask. [cf. MDu. *bonghe* = *bonde* f. L *puncta* orifice (*pungere* punct-prick)]

būng¹, v.t. Stop (cask) with bung; eyes

~ed up, closed with swelling from blow, or sealed with rheum; (sl.) throw (stones). [f. prec.]

būng'alow (-nggalō), n. One-storeyed house, orig. lightly built or temporary. Hence ~OD a., having the style or appearance of a ~ow. [f. Hind. *bangla* belonging to Bengal]

bungl¹e (būng'gl), v.i. & t., & n. (Make) clumsy work, confusion; blunder over, fail to accomplish, (task). Hence ~ER¹ n. [imit., cf. BUNBLE, BOGGLE]

būn'ion (-yon), n. Inflamed swelling on foot. [perh. f. It. *bugnone* (*bugno* boil, lump, cf. F *bugne* BUN¹, +one -OON)]

būnk¹, n. Sleeping-berth. [f]

būnk¹, v.i., & n., (sl.). ~, do a ~, make off, vanish. [f]

***būnk**¹, n. (sl.). Humbug, balderdash. [contr. of BUNKUM]

būnk'er, n., & v.t. Ship's coal-bin; (Golf) sandpit or other obstruction to free dealing with balls; (Mil.) underground shelter; (v.t., usu. in p.p.) entangle in ~, (fig.) bring into difficulties. [f]

būnk'um, -combe (-km), n. Humbug, claptrap, sophistry. [anecdotic; member for Buncombe in N. Carolina speaking needlessly in Congress to impress his constituents]

būnn'ia (-ya), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Indian (prop. Hindu) trader or shopkeeper. [Hind. *banya*; see DANIAN]

būnn'y, n. Pet name for rabbit; ~hug, an American dance. [BUN¹ + y¹]

Bun'sen'(s) (bōn-, būn-), a. Invented by Prof. Bunsen of Heidelberg (~burner, lamp, burning air with gas for heating & blow-pipe work; ~battery, cell, voltaic of spec. kind).

būnt¹, n. Cavity, baggy part, of fishing-net, sail, etc.; ~line (confining ~ in furling sail). [f]

būnt¹, n. (Also *Smut-ball*) disease of wheat. [f]

būnt¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Baseball): short hit to the infield; (v.t.) stop (ball) with bat without swinging latter. 2. (Aviation): half an outside loop followed by a half roll; (v.i.) perform this. [dial.]

būn'ting¹, n. Sub-family of birds including *Common* or *Corn B~*, *Yellow B~* (or *Yellow-hammer*), *Black-headed*, *Reed*, *Snow*, etc., B~; grey shrimp. [f]

būn'ting¹, n. (Open-made worsted stuff used for) flags. [perh. = bolting-cloth (BOLT¹) f. obs. *bunt* sift, or perh. = G *bunt* partly-coloured + -ING¹]

buoy¹ (boi), n. Anchored float showing navigable course or reefs etc.; (also life-) something to keep person afloat; also fig. in both senses. [f. OF *boie* or MDu. *boei* f. L *boia* chain]

buoy¹ (boi), v.t. 1. (Usu. with up) keep afloat; bring to surface of water; sustain (person, courage, etc.), uplift. 2. (Without up, sometimes with out) mark with

buoy(s). [see prec., but the vb is perh. directly f. a foreign source]

buoyage (boi-), n. Providing of buoys. [-AGE]

buoyancy (boi-), n. Floating power (of solid to stay, of liquid to keep object, afloat); (Hydrost.) loss of weight by immersion in liquid; elasticity, recuperative power, (of spirits, also of prices, etc.). [f. foll.; see -ANCY]

buoyant (boi-), a. Apt to float, rise, keep up, or recover, springy; able to keep things up; light-hearted. Hence ~LY² adv. [=, & perh. f., Sp. *boyante*; earlier than BUOY¹; see BUOY¹]

būr, būr, n. (Any plant with) clinging seed-vessel or flower; female hopcatkin; person hard to shake off. [= Da. *borre*]

Būrb'erry, n. A kind of waterproof cloth, coat etc. of this, made by a company of that name.

būr'ble, v.i. Simmer (with rage, mirth). [on *burst*, *bubble*; but cf. obs. *burble* bubble]

būrb'ot, n. Eel-like flat-headed bearded fresh-water fish. [f. F *bourbotte* cf. *bourboter* wallow f. LL *borba* f. Gk *borboros* mud]

būrd'en¹, būrth'en (-dh-), n. (usu. -den exc. = *tonnage*). Load (lit., or of labour, duty, sorrow, etc.: ~ of *proof*, obligation to prove falling on maker of statement); obligatory expense; ship's carrying-capacity, tonnage; bearing of loads (*ship, beast, of ~*); (Bibl.) oracle, heavy fate; (= obs. senses of BOURDON) refrain, chorus, of song, chief theme or gist of poem, book, speech, etc. [OE *byrthen* = OSax. *burthinnia* (st. of BEAR¹ + suf. -*inna*); for -d- cf. *murther, murder*]

būrd'en², būrth'en (-dh-), v.t. Load (lit. & fig.), encumber, oppress, tax. [f. prec.]

būrd'ensome, a. Oppressive, wearying. Hence ~NESS (-inn-) n. [-SOME]

būrd'ock, n. Coarse plant with prickly flower-heads (BUR) & dock-like leaves. [BUR + DOCK¹]

bureau (būrō', bū'), n. (pl. -*eaux*, pr. -*ōz*). || Writing-desk with drawers, *escritoire*; office, government department. [F, office, desk, orig. baize f. OF *burel* dim. of *bure* coarse cloth cf. *buire* brown f. L *burrus* red perh. f. Gk *purros* red]

būreau | **cracy** (-rō-), n. Government by bureaux, centralization; officialism; officials. Allied wds: ~CRAT (būrō-) n., ~CRAT'IC a., ~CRAT'ICALLY adv., ~CRATISM(2), ~CRATIST(2), nn. [f. prec. + -CRACY]

būrētte, n. Graduated glass tube for measuring small quantities of liquid. [F, dim. of *buire* vase]

***būrg**, n. (colloq.). Town or city. [see BOROUGH]

|| **būrg'age**, n. An ancient tenure (*hold in ~*). [f. med. L *burgagium* (*burgus* see BOROUGH)]

būrgē', n. Swallow-tailed pennant used by yachts etc. [?]

būr'geon, bour'geon, (bēr'jn), n., & v.i. (Put forth, spring forth as) young shoot(s), bud, begin to grow, (poet., & also in Zool. of GEMMATION). [ME *borioun* f. OF *burjon* etym. dub.]

būr'gess, n. Inhabitant of borough with full municipal rights, citizen; (chiefly hist.) member of parliament for borough, corporate town, or university. [ME & OF *burgess* = BOURGEOIS¹]

burgh (būr'ru), n. (Sc.). Scots chartered town (used in E in writing of Scots borough). [see BOROUGH]

burgher (bēr'ger), n. (arch.). Citizen (chiefly of foreign towns). [f. G or Du. *burger* (*burg* fortified town), later assim. to E *burgh*]

būrg'lar, n. One who breaks into house by night with intent to commit felony. Hence ~Y¹ n., *burglarious* a., *burglariously*¹ adv. [f. Anglo-L *burglator*, *burgator*, perh. made on *burgh-breche* the native term for burglary]

būrg'le, v.i. & t. Commit burglary; enter or rob (house) burglariously. [recent back-formation f. prec., but cf. *burgulare* 1854]

būrg'omaster (-ah-), n. Mayor of Dutch or Flemish town. [f. Du. *burgemeester* (BOROUGH)]

būrg'onēt, n. (hist.). Visored helmet; steel cap. [f. OF *bourguignotte* f. *Bourgogne* Burgundy]

būrg'oo', n. (naut. sl.). Porridge. [?]

būrg'undy, n. Kinds of (usu. red) wine of Burgundy in France.

būr(h)el, n. Himalayan wild sheep. [f. Hind. *bharal*]

bu'rial (bē-), n. Depositing under earth, burying, esp. of dead body, funeral; ~ground, cemetery; ~service, religious form (esp. that in Ch.-of-Engl. prayer-book) at funeral. [f. OE *byrgels* cf. OSax. *burgisli* (*burg*-st. of *bergan* cover), -s dropped as though pl., cf. FEA]

būr'in, n. Tool for engraving on copper. Hence ~IST(1) n. [F, perh. f. OHG *bora* boring-tool (BEAR¹)]

būr'ke, v.t. Avoid, smother, (publicity, inquiry); hush up, suppress, (rumour, book). [*Burke* executed 1829 for smothering people to sell bodies for dissection]

būrl, n., & v.t. Knot in wool or cloth; (vb) clear of ~s. [f. OF *bourle*]

būrl'ap, n. Coarse canvas. [cf. Du. *boenlap* etym. dub.]

būrlésque (-k), a. & n., & v.t. Imitative, imitation, imitate, for purpose of deriding or amusing; bombast(ic), mock-serious(ness); caricature, parody, esp. (of) literary & dramatic work. [F, f. It. *burlesco* (*buria* mockery, -*esque*)]

Būrl'ington House, n. Building in London used as headquarters of the Royal Academy, British Academy, & British Association.

burly, *a.* Sturdy, corpulent. Hence **~iness** *n.* [ME *borlich* prob. *f.* an OE *burlic* handsome, fit for the **BOWER**¹, see **LY**¹]

Burmese¹ (*-z*), *a.* & *n.* Of Burma; (*n.*) ~ native (pl. same) or language. **Burm'an** *a.* & *n.*, = ~. [*Burma* + **ESSE**, **-AN**]

burn¹, *n.* (Sc., north., poet.). Small stream. [com.-Teut. cf. Du. *born*, & S.-Engl. **BOURN**¹]

burn², *v.t.* & *i.* (*-t*, occas. *~ed*). 1. Consume, waste, by fire (*t.* & *i.*), the heat, heating person, or heated thing, being subject; ~ away, out, to nothing, to extinction; ~ up, get rid of by fire; ~ out, consume contents of; ~ one's boots, commit oneself irrevocably to a course; blaze, glow, with fire (~ up, flash into blaze; ~ down, low, less vigorously as fuel fails). 2. Give, make to give, light (lamp, candles, gas, oil, etc.); ~ blue etc., give blue etc. light; ~ candle at both ends, not husband energy; ~ daylight, use artificial light by day; ~ the midnight oil, work late). 3. Put, be put, to death by fire. 4. Harden, produce, (bricks, lime, charcoal) by heat. 5. Make (hole etc.) by heat (*money ~s hole in pocket*, clamours to be spent). 6. Injure, be injured, by fire or great heat (~ one's fingers, suffer for meddling or rashness); char, scorch, in cooking (*t.* & *i.*), adhere to saucepan etc.; cauterize, brand, (~ in, into, impress indelibly); eat, make acid etc. eat, its way (into material, material, or abs.). 7. Parch, freckle, tan, colour, (*t.* & *i.*); abs. or with *brown*, *dry*, etc.). 8. Give, feel, sensation or pain (as) of heat (~ *child dreads fire*; *ears ~*, when one is talked of; ~, get near discovery or truth, as in child's game). 9. Make, be, hot or passionate, glow, blaze, rage, yearn; ~ person out, expel him by fire; ~ the water, spear salmon by torchlight; ~ *ing-glass*, convex lens or concave mirror concentrating sun's rays enough to ignite object at focus; ~ *t diamond* (enclosed in burnt sugar); ~ *ochre*, *stenna* (calcined); ~ *t offering*, sacrifice made by ~ing. [OE *brinnan* intr., *burnan* trans.; com.-Teut. cf. G *brennen*]

burn³, *n.* Sore, mark, on body made by burning. [*f. prec.*]

burn'er, *n.* In vbl senses, esp. in comb. as *brick-~*; also, part of lamp etc. that shapes the flame. [*~s*¹]

burn'et, *n.* Kinds of brown-flowered plant. [*f. obs. adj. burned* *f.* OF *burnete* see **BRUNETTA**]

burn'ing, *a.* In vbl senses; also: flagrant (~ *shame*, *disgrace*); hotly discussed, exciting, (~ *question*); ~ *scent* (in hunting), strong. [*~s*¹]

burn'ish, *v.t.* & *i.* Polish by friction; (*with*, *well* etc.) take a polish. Hence **~s** *n.* [*f.* OF *burnis* = *brunus* (brown)]

burnous(e)¹ (*-ōos*, *-ōoz*), *n.* Arab, Moorish, & lady's, hooded cloak. [*F* (*-s*), *f.* Arab. *burnus*]

burn¹, *n.* Nebulous disk round moon or star; rough ridge left on cut or punched metal or paper (~ *drill*, *dentist's*); siliceous rock used for mill-stones; wheel-stone; kinds of limestone; rough sounding of letter *r* as in Northumberland; whirling sound; = **BUR**. [*etym.* perh. four different wds; & cf. **BUR**]

burn², *v.t.* & *i.* Pronounce with sound of Northumbrian *r*, also of French *r*; speak without clear articulation. [*cf. prec.*]

'burro (*bō'rō*), *n.* (colloq.). Small donkey used as pack-animal. [*Sp.*]

bū'row (*-ō*), *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* (Make, live in) hole excavated in earth, as of foxes, rabbits, etc.; make by excavating (hole, one's way); retire out of sight; (fig.) investigate mysteries etc. Hence **~s**¹ *n.* [*perh.* = **BOROUGH**]

burs'ar, *n.* Treasurer, esp. of a college; exhibitioner esp. in Scots University or school, whence **~s**¹ *n.* [*f. med. L. bursarius* (bursa bag *f.* Gk = hide)]

bursar'ial, *a.* Of bursary. [*-AL*]

burst¹, *v.t.* & *i.* (past & *p.p.* *burst*). 1. Fly by expansion of contents, send (containing case), violently asunder, split, (powder, shell, etc.); exaggeratively, ~ with food or emotion, heart ~s). 2. Get away from or through, make way out or in, express one's feelings, by force or suddenly (*river ~s banks*; ~ in, come into room, interrupt; ~ out, exclaim; ~ into tears, out laughing, break into tears, laughter; ~ upon enemy's country, overrun it). 3. Open, come open, be opened, forcibly (*boil, bud, cloud, ~*; ~ *door, door ~s, in or open*). 4. Fill, be full, to overflowing (*grain ~s granary, granary ~ing*; ~ with joy, envy, pride, a secret). 5. Appear suddenly (~ *into flame, upon the view; sun, war, disease, ~ out*); suffer ~ing of (some part; ~ *a blood-vessel, one's heart, sides with laughing, buttons with food*; ~ up, explode, bring or come to utter collapse, (colloq., & often spelt **burst** up). [OE *berstan* *f.* OTeut. *brestan* perh. *f. brek* = **BREAK**; there has been double metathesis, OTeut. *brest*-, OE *berst*-, ME *brest*-, mod. *burst*]

burst², *n.* Bursting, split; ~ up (often *burst*-colloq.), collapse; sudden issuing forth (~ *of flame*), explosion, outbreak, (lit. & fig.); spurt; continuous gallop; bout of drunkenness etc. (often vulg. *burst*; on the *burst*). [*f. prec.*]

burth'en (*-dh-*). See **BURDEN**.

burton (*-tn*), *n.* Light handy two-blade tackle. [?]

bury (*bē'ri*), *v.t.* Deposit in, commit to, earth, tomb, or sea (corpse); (of relatives) to have buried, lost; perform burial rites over; put under ground (~ *alive*; ~ *the hatchet*, renounce quarrel); put

away, forget; (chiefly refl. & pass.) consign to obscurity; hide in earth (treasure etc.), cover up, submerge; withdraw from view (face in hands, hands in pockets); (p.p.) immersed (*buried in sloth*); *~ing-ground*, *-place*, graveyard, cemetery. [OE *byrgan* cf. *BURIAL*]

büs, n. (pl. *-es*), & v.i. 1. Omnibus; (sl.) aeroplane, motor-car, motor-cycle; *miss the ~* (sl.), lose an opportunity, fail in an undertaking; *~man*, driver of an omnibus (*~man's holiday*, leisure time spent in the same kind of occupation as one's regular work). 2. v.i. Go by ~. [abbr.]

|| **büs'by** (-z), n. Tall fur cap of Hussars & R.H.A. [?]

bush¹ (-b-), n. Shrub, clump of shrubs; bunch of ivy as ancient vintner's sign (*good wine needs no ~*); luxuriant growth of hair, whisker, etc.; woodland, untitled district, (esp. in colonies; *take to the ~*, become bush-ranger); *BEAT*¹ *about the ~*; *~* in many bird, beast, & plant names; *~fighter*, *-ing*, (person used to) fighting in the ~, guerilla warfare; *~harrow*, heavy frame with bars between which branches are inserted for harrowing grass land or covering seed, (vb) harrow with this; *~man*, aboriginal of a S.-Afr. tribe, dweller, farmer, or traveller in the Australian ~, whence *bush'mans* (3) n. [After Du. *boschjesman* (bosch bush)]; *~ranger*, Australian brigand (at first escaped convict) living in the bush; *~rope*, tropical wild vine netting trees together. [ME *busk* f. ON *buskr*, cf. G *busch*, Du. *bosch* (whence prob. the sense *woodland* above), f. Rom. *bosco* see *BOSE*]

bush² (-b-), v.t. Set (ground) with bushes to frustrate net-poaching; bush-harrow (ground). [prec.]

bush³ (-b-), n., & v.t. Metal lining of axle-hole or other circular orifice, perforated plug; (vb) furnish with ~. [prob. f. MDu. *busse* box³ cf. *BLUNDERBUSS*]

bush⁴ (-b-), n. Measure of capacity (8 gal.) for corn, fruit, etc. (*not hide light or candle under ~*, set example; *measure others' corn by one's own ~*, judge others by oneself). Hence *~FUL* (2) n. [ME *boyschel* f. OF *boissiel* f. LL *buscellus* f. *buxis* box³]

Bushido (bōsh'ōdō), n. The code of honour & morals evolved by the samurai. [Jap., = military knight way]

bushveld (bōsh'fēlt), n. Veld composed largely of bush; low country of Transvaal. [f. Du. *boschveld*, see *BUSH*¹ & *VELD*]

bush⁵ (-b-), a. Abounding in bushes; growing thickly. Hence *~iness* n. [-r³]

business (biz'nīs), n. 1. Being busy (orig. sense, now obs., see *BUSINESS*). 2. Task, duty, province, (*makes it one's ~ to*, undertake); cause of coming (*what is your ~?*). 3. Habitual occupation, profession, trade; serious work (*means ~*, is in

earnest; *on ~*, with definite purpose; *~ as usual*, things will proceed in spite of disturbing circumstances; *~ end of tin tuck*, point; *~ hours*, *hours of*, of regular work, open shop or office, etc.). 4. Thing needing attention, agenda, (*the ~ of the day*, *meeting*, etc.); dealings with men & matters (*~ man*, one used to these, & see below; *man of ~*, agent, attorney). 5. Difficult matter (*what a ~ it is*, *make a great ~ of it*). 6. Thing that concerns one, that one may meddle with, (*mind your own*, *go about your*, *send about his*, *~*, reproof or dismissal; *has no ~ to*, no right). 7. (Contempt.) device, machine, process, concern, course of events, (*sick of the whole ~*; *a lath-&-plaster ~*). 8. (Theatr.) action, dumb-show. 9. Buying & selling, bargaining, (*doing a great ~*; *good stroke of ~*; *~ man*, engaged in commerce, also see above). 10. Commercial house, firm; *do one's ~*, kill him; *good ~!* well done! [OE *bisignis* (BUSY¹ + -NESS)]

business-like, a. Systematic, practical, prompt, well-ordered. [-LIKE]

büsk, n. Rigid strip stiffening corset-front. [f. F *buse* etym. dub.]

büs'ker, n. (sl.). Itinerant musician or actor. [f. *busk* beat about, seek (perh. f. obs. F *busquer* to prowl)]

büs'kin, n. Boot reaching to calf or knee; thick-soled boot lending height to Athenian tragic actor; the tragic vein, tragedy, (see *SOCK*; *put on the ~*, write or act tragedy). Hence *~ED*¹ (-nd) a. [in many Europ. langg.; the E perh. f. OSp. *bossegui*, F *brousequin*, Du. *brozekin*, etc., having *tr*-; etym. dub.; Mit. *borzackino* suggests *borza* PURSE]

büss, n., & v.t., (arch.). Kiss. [earlier *bass* n. & v.; cf. F *baiser*, L *basiare*, *bastium*]

büst¹, n. Sculpture of person's head, shoulders, & chest; upper front of body, bosom, esp. of woman. [f. F *buste* f. It. *busto* etym. dub.]

büst². See *BUST*¹. Hence *büs'ter*¹ (1, 2) n. (sl.), freq. in comb., as *block*¹, *bronco-tank*, *~er*.

büst'ard, n. Genus of large swift-running birds. [perh. mixture of OF *bistarde*, *oustarde*, both f. L *avis tarda* slow bird (the inappropriate adj. unexplained)]

bü'stle¹ (-sl), v.i. & t. Bestir oneself; make show of activity, hurry about; make (others) hurry or work hard. [perh. var. of obs. *bustle* f. obs. *busk* prepare (ON *busk* red. of *bua* prepare cf. *BOUD*²)]

bü'stle² (-sl), n. Excited activity, fuss. [f. prec.]

bü'stle³ (-sl), n. Pad or frame puffing out top of woman's skirt behind. [perh. = prec.]

busy¹ (bi'z), a. & n. 1. Occupied, working, engaged, with attention concentrated. (*~ in*, *with*, *at*; also, prep. being dropped, with *vb* n. now looking like

part., as he was ~ packing); unresting, ever employed, stirring, (~ as a bee); fussy, meddlesome, prying, mischievous; ~ idle(ness), spending energy on trifles; ~body, meddlesome person, mischief-maker. Hence **busily**² (biz²) adv. 2. n. (sl.). Detective. [OE *bisig*; only E & LG cf. Du. *bezig*; the -u- unexplained]

busy¹ (biz¹), v.t. Occupy (esp. oneself, one's hands, eyes, etc.), keep busy, (with, in, at, about, or with -ing, or abs.). [OE *bisgian* see prec.]

busyness (biz²), n. State or quality of being busy. [mod. form differentiated in spelling & pronunc. f. BUSINESS]

büt¹ (orig. adv. & prep. = outside, without; developed into conj., under which most mod. uses belong; but it is now adv., prep., negative rel. pron., subord. & coord. conj.; clear distinction of these is not here possible). 1. Only (*she is ~ a child, I can ~ do it*). 2. Except, if not, short of, except that, if it were not that, short of the condition that, (*they are all wrong ~ he, him; no one ~ me, I; never ~ once; he all ~ did it; what can he do ~ die; nothing would content him ~ I must come*). 3. Otherwise than (*cannot choose ~, cannot ~, do it*). 4. Who or that not (*no one ~ knows that*). 5. Without the result etc. that (*never rains ~ it pours; justice was never done ~ someone complained*). 6. Rather than so-&-so shall prove untrue (*it shall go hard ~ I will get there; ten to one ~ it was you*); that not (*not such a fool ~ also ~ that, ~ what—he can see that; it is impossible ~ that offences will come*). 7. To say (that) not (*not ~ that—also what—he believed it himself*); ~ for this etc., were it not so, without this; ~ then, ~ on the other hand (*it is hot, no doubt, ~ then the heat is dry*). 8. (After neg.) that (*I don't deny, doubt, ~ that*). 9. On the contrary, nevertheless, however, on the other hand, moreover, yet. [OE *be-utan, bitan, būta*, (BE-, OUT) outside, without]

büt², n., & v.t. An objection; (vb) utter, use, (~s; ~ me no ~s). [uses of prec.]

butch'er¹ (büt-), n. Slaughterer of animals for food; dealer in meat (*the ~, the baker, the candlestick-maker*, people of all trades); judge, general, etc., who has men killed needlessly or brutally; a salmon-fly; ~s *bill*, list of killed in war; ~bird, kind of shrike; ~s-broom, low spiny-leaved evergreen = *Knee Holly*; ~s *meal*, excluding poultry, game, & bacon etc. [f. OF *bochier* (BOC BUCK¹) lit. dealer in goat's flesh]

butch'er² (büt-), v.t. Slaughter (people) wantonly or cruelly; ruin by bad reading or editing, damage by harsh criticism. [f. prec.]

butch'erly (büt-), a. Fit for, like, a butcher, coarse, brutal, bloody. [-LY¹]

butch'ery (büt-), n. Shambles (in bar-

racks, camp, ship, etc.); (attrib.) butcher's trade (~ trade, business, etc.); needless or cruel slaughter of people. [f. F *boucherie* (BUTCHER, -Y¹)]

büt'ler, n. Servant in charge of wine-cellar & plate etc., head servant. [f. AF *butuiller* f. OF *bouteillier*, see BOTTLE¹, -ER²(2)]

bütt¹, n. Wine or ale cask (108-140 gals); any barrel. [f. Rom. (F & It. *botte* f. LL *butis*)]

bütt², n. Thicker end, esp. of tool or weapon (*give fish the ~, turn ~ of rod towards him for firmer hold*); trunk of tree just above ground; ~ or ~end, remnant (~end also = thicker end); base of leaf-stalk; kinds of flat-fish, as sole, plaice, turbot; hide of back & flanks trimmed to rectangle, thickest leather (cf. HEND²); square end of plank meeting a similar end (also ~end). [cf. Da. *but*, Du. *bot*, stumpy, Sw. *but* stump; whether senses belong together, & relation to other wds *butt*, doubtful]

bütt³, n. Mound behind target; grouse-shooter's stand screened by low stone wall; (pl.) shooting-range; target; end, aim, object; object of (ridicule etc.); object of teasing & ridicule. [f. F *but* goal cf. foll.]

bütt⁴, v.i. & t., & n. Push (v. & n.) with the head (*come ~ or full ~ against*, run into; ~ in, fig., intervene, meddle); meet end to end (~ against, upon); come, place (timber etc.), with end flat against wall etc. [f. OF *bater, buter*, (now *bouter*) thrust, project, influenced by ABUT]

***butte** (büt), n. Conspicuous isolated hill, esp. one with steep or cliff-like sides. [F, = knoll]

bütt'er¹, n. Fatty substance made from cream by churning (*look as if ~ would not melt in mouth*, demure; *melted ~*, sauce of ~, flour, etc.); kinds of substance of similar consistence or look, as ~ of almonds; fulsome flattery; ~-d-eggs, kinds of plant with two yellows in flower, as toad-flax; ~bean, yellow-pod kind usu. cooked in the pod unsliced, wax-pod, (also) large dried haricot bean; ~boat, sauce-boat; ~knife, blunt, of silver etc., for cutting ~; ~scotch, kind of toffee; ~bur, plant with large soft leaves; ~cup, kinds of yellow-flowered Ranunculus; ~fingers, -fingered, (person) unable to hold things, esp. a catch at cricket; ~milk, liquid left after churning ~; || ~muslin, thin loosely-woven cloth with fine mesh, used primarily as a wrapping for ~; ~nut, N.-Amer. oily nut (-tree); ~print, wooden stamp for marking ~; ~wort, fleshy-leaved violet-flowered bog-plant. Hence ~Y¹ a., ~INNESS n. [OE *butere*, f. L f. Gk *bouturon* (bous cow, *uron* cheese, or perh. barbarian wd so accounted for)]

bütt'er², v.t. Spread, cook, sauce, with butter (*fine words ~ no parsnips*, mere

professions are valueless); for other phrr. see **BREAD**); (also ~ *up*) flatter. [f. prec.]
bütt'erbümp, n. = **BUTTER**. [see **BUMP**]
bütt'erfij, n. & a. Diurnal erect-winged insect with knobbed antennae; showy or fickle (person), trifler; ~ *nut*, -screw (Mech.), with wings to be turned by thumb & finger; **BREAK** ~ *on wheel*. [OE *butter-fléoge* cf. Du. *boteruieg*, connexion with *butter* unexplained]
bütt'erine (-én), n. Imitation butter of oleo-margarine & milk. [-INÉ]
bütt'eris, n. Farrier's tool for paring hoof. [cf. F *bouloir* & obs. E *butter*]
bütt'erý, n. Place in colleges etc. where bread & ale, butter, etc., are kept; ~ *hatch*, half-door over which provisions are issued. [f. OF *boterie* = *bouteillerie* (BOTTLE)¹, -ERY]
bütt'ock¹, n. Half of rump (usu. in pl.); manoeuvre in wrestling (usu. *cross*~, *running*~, etc.); ~ *steak*, = rumpsteak. [BUTT² + OCK]
bütt'ock¹, v.t. Throw by using buttock. [f. prec.]
bütt'on¹, n. Knob or disk sewn to garment to fasten it by passing through ~hole, or for ornament (*boy in* ~s, page; *take by the* ~, detain, see ~hole below); bud; unopened mushroom; in plant names, as **BACHELOR**'s ~; knob, handle, catch, as in electric bell (*touch the* ~, produce complicated result by simple action); small bar revolving on pivot as door-fastening; small rounded body; terminal knob (on foil, making it harmless; also as ornament); a ~ *short* (colloq.), of weak intellect; || ~ *boot*, fastened with ~s; ~hole, slit made to receive fastening~, (fig.) small mouth, || flower(s) worn in ~hole, (vb) make ~holes (in), hold by a coat or waistcoat ~, detain, (reluctant listener), whence **bütt'onhölar**¹ n. [last sense by confusion with earlier ~ *hold*]; ~ *hook*, for pulling ~ into place; ~ *stick*, soldier's appliance for ~-polishing. Hence (-) ~ *ed*¹ (-nd), ~ *less*, aa., ~ *lessness* n. [f. OF *boton* bud f. LL *bottonem* nom. -to f. *botiare* push, cf. BUTT⁴]
bütt'on², v.t. & i. Furnish with button(s); fasten (t. & i.) with buttons (often *up*); enclose within ~ed garment (person, or object carried with one; usu. *up*). [f. prec.]
bütt'ons, n. Liveried page. [pl. of BUTTON¹]
bütt'oný, a. With many buttons. [-Y]
bütt'rëss, n., & v.t. Support built against wall etc. (FLYING ~); prop (lit. & fig.); ~like projection of hill; (vb) support (lit. & fig., often with *up*) with ~, by argument, etc. [perh. f. OF *bouteres*, -et, flying buttress (bouter push cf. ABUT)]
bütt'y, n. (Colloq.) mate, chum, companion; (Mining) middleman between mine-proprietor & miners; ~ *gang* (of

men undertaking part of large job, sharing profits equally). [?]

bütyr-, **bütyro-**, st. & comb. form of technical wds as *bütyra*'CEOUS, *bütyr*'ic, *bütyroacét*'ic; of BUTTER, esp. in its chem. aspect.

büx'om, a. Plump, comely. Hence ~NESS n. [earlier sense *pliant*; ME *buhsum* f. st. of *bigan* BOW² + -SOME]

buy (bi), v.t. (*bought*, pr. *bawt*), & n. 1. Obtain by paying a (usu. money) price; serve to procure (*money cannot* ~); get by some sacrifice (*dearly bought*); gain over (person) by bribery etc.; I'll ~ it (sl.), I give it up, I don't know (in reply to a riddle or question); ~ *in*, ~ a stock of, withdraw at auction by naming higher price than highest offered; ~ *into*, ~ stock or shares in (the Funds or a company); ~ *off*, get rid by payment of (claim, claimant, blackmailer), get (soldier) discharged so; ~ *out*, pay person to give up post, property, etc.; ~ *over*, bribe; ~ *up*, ~ as much as possible of, absorb (other firm etc.) by purchase; ~ *pig in poke*, commit oneself inconsiderately. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n., (esp.) agent who selects & purchases stock for a large shop etc. 2. n. A purchase (a good ~, a bargain). [OE *bucgan* cf. Goth. *bugjan* etym. dub.]

büz(z)¹, int. = Stale news!

büzz¹, v.i. & t. Make humming sound; move, hover, *about* (person or abs.) annoyingly like bluebottle; (sl.) go off or away quickly; (of a company or place) sound confusedly; circulate (t. & i. of rumour etc.); utter by speaking together (~ *applause*); throw hard (~ *stones*). [imit.]

büzz², n. Hum of bee etc.; sound of people talking, stir, general movement; ~circular saw. [f. prec.]

büzz³, n. Downy beetle, fishing-fly like it. [perh. as expressive, cf. FUZZY & obs. *buzz* (large bushy) wig]

|| **büzz**⁴, v.t. Finish (bottle of wine). [?]

büzz'ard, n. Kinds of falcon (B~, *Bald B*~ or osprey, *Honey B*~, *Moor B*~, etc.). [f. OF *busart* f. L *buteo* falcon + ARD]

büzz'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. steam-whistle, (also) electric buzzing-machine for sending signals, (army sl.) signaller. [BUZZ², -ER¹]

by¹, prep. & adv. 1. prep. (bi, sometimes bi). Near, at or to side of, in postal district of, about person or in possession of, in company of, in region of, slightly inclining to, (*Bromley-by-Bow*, *Coniston-by-Ambleside*; *come here by me*; *stand by*, be faithful to, help; *abide by*, accept, observe; *have not got it by me*; *come by*, obtain; *by oneself*, alone; *North by East*, between N & NNE; *by the head, stern*, deeper in water there; *by land & sea*, *adventures by flood & field*). 2. Along, in passing along, through, via, avoiding;

passing, out-stripping, (*by nearest road; by the way*, as one goes, parenthetically; so *by the by*, esp. as formula introducing digression; *travel by Bille, Paris; pass him by, go by him*). 3. During, in the circumstances of, (*by day, night, daylight; by the space of, biblical for during*). 4. Through the agency, means, instrumentality, or causation, of, owing to, in such a manner, with, (*by oneself*, without help or prompting; *know, say, by HEART; multiply, divide, by; 3 ft by 2 ft; lead by the hand; set by the ears*, egg on to quarrel; *go, be known, by the name of* —; *what do you mean by that?; travel by rail; by all, no, means; live by bread; do it by one's deputy; have children by such a father, mother; authorized, hanged, made, by; no gas to read by; case goes by default; begin, end, by* —ing; *by way of a joke; be by way of knowing everybody*, profess or be supposed to; *cautious by nature; by cheque, £6. 5. 4, in Cr entries; by chance; by dint of; by reason of*). 5. As soon as, not later than, (*by now, next week, tomorrow, the time*—with or oftener without—*that*); according to, after, from, (*by role; by right; by rights*, if right were done; *take warning, example, by; by your leave; judge by appearances; sell, buy, by retail, measure, the yard, packet*). 6. With succession of, succeeding, (*by degrees, by hundreds, man by man, little by little*). 7. To the extent of (*missed by a foot, too moral by half, better by far, much*). 8. Concerning, in respect of, (*do one's duty by; French by blood, Jones by name; pull up by the roots*). 9. As surely as I believe in (*by God; swear by all one holds sacred; swear by vegetarianism, declare complete belief in it*). 10. adv. (bi). Near (*stand by, be inactive, also be ready for action, esp. Naut.*). 11. Aside, in reserve, (*put, lay, set, by, abandon or store up*). 12. Past (*they marched by; all that is gone by*). 13. ~ & large, on the whole, everything considered, (orig. Naut., to the wind & off it). [OE *bī, bi, be*; cf. OHG *bī, bi, (G bei, be-)*; in OE the prep. was sometimes *be*; in mod. E the adv. is always *by*, the prep. usu. *by* sometimes *by*, & the pref. either *by-* or *bi-*]

by¹, *býe*, *a*. Subordinate, incidental, secondary, side, out-of-the-way, secret, as *by(e) road, the by(e) effects, a by(e) consideration*; ~ ELECTION. (*by* adv. used attrib.; often hyphenated with noun; usu. *by* when this is done, & *bye* as sep. wd.)

by², *n*. = *BYE* (-e usu. exc. in *by the by*). **by³**, pref. 1. Usu. with one of the meanings of *BY* *a*; it may be written as separate wd (*by path* or *bye path*), hyphenated (*by-path*), or, if the combination is often used, as one wd with the other (*by-path*). 2. Sometimes with meaning of *BY* adv. as in *bystander, bygone*. **by⁴**, *adv. & n*. Before long, pre-

sently; (*n*.) the future. [perh. f. *BY* prep. denoting succession (*one by one* etc.)]

by'-blow (-b), *n*. Side blow at someone else than the main opponent; bastard child. [*BY* *a*.]

býe, *n*. Something subordinate (*by the by* or *bye*, incidentally, parenthetically); (Cricket) run scored for ball that passes batsman and wicket-keeper, *lap-~*, for one that touches batsman; (Golf) hole(s) remaining after decision of match & played as a new game; (in games where competitors are paired off) odd man, being odd man. [*BY*¹ as *n*.]

býe'-býe¹, *n*. (Nursery word for) sleep, bed. [sound used in lullabies cf. *hushaby, lullaby, bye baby bunting*]

býe'-býe², *int.* = Good-bye. [colloq. & childish clipping of *good-bye*]

bý'end, *n*. Side or secret purpose. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'gone (-aw-), *a. & n*. Past, departed; antiquated; (pl. *n*.) the past, past offences (*let ~s be ~s, forgive & forget*). [*BY* adv.]

bý'lāne, *n*. See *BY*.

bý'law, *býe'law* (bíl-), *n*. Regulation made by local authority or corporation, as town or railway company. [prob. f. obs. *byrlaw* local custom (ON *býjar* genit. of *býr* OE *bý* town, cf. *Derby* etc.), but associated with *BY* *a*.]

bý'nāme, *n*. Secondary name, sobriquet; nickname. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'pass (-ah-), *n. & v.t.* 1. Secondary gas-jet always alight from which main jet is lit when wanted. 2. Road usu. passing round, or through outskirts of, town etc., & designed to relieve traffic congestion by providing an alternative route for through traffic. 3. *v.t.* Furnish with a ~, make détourn round (town etc.), also fig. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'past (-ah-), *a*. Gone by, elapsed. [*BY* adv.]

bý'path (-ah-), *n*. Retired path (lit., & fig. as ~s of history). [*BY* *a*.]

bý'play, *n*. Action apart from the main course of events; esp., dumb-show of minor characters on stage. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'product, *n*. Thing produced incidentally in manufacturing something else. [*BY* *a*.]

býre, *n*. Cow-house. [OE *býre* perh. cogn. w. *búr* BOWER]

bý'road, *n*. Little-frequented road. [*BY* *a*.] **býss'**[us], *n*. Fine ancient textile fibre & fabric of flax; tuft of silky filaments by which some molluscs adhere to rock. Hence ~A'GROSS, ~AL, ~IR'GROSS, ~INS², ~OID, *aa*. [L. f. Gk *bussos*]

bý'stānder, *n*. Spectator. [*BY* adv.]

bý'street, *n*. Out-of-the-way street. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'way, *n*. Secluded road or track (often *highway & ~*); short cut; less known department of any subject. [*BY* *a*.]

bý'word (-wərd), *n*. Proverb; person, place, etc. taken as type of some (usu.

bad) quality (esp. a ~ for iniquity etc.).

[BY a.]

by-work (-wérk), n. Work done by the way, at leisure moments. [BY a.]

Byzán'tine, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Byzantium or Constantinople (~the historians, of Eastern Empire from 6th to 15th c.); of the style in architecture etc. developed in the Eastern Empire (round arch, cross, dome, circle, mosaic). Hence ~inesque' (-ésk) a., ~inism n., ~inize(4) v.t. [f. L *Byzantinus* f. L f. Gk *Byzantion*]

C

C (sè), letter (pl. Cs, C's, Cees). *C springs*, see CHE. *C3 POPULATION*. (Mus.) first note of natural major scale. (In argument) third hypothetical person or thing. (Alg.) third known quantity.

Caaba (kah'aba), n. Sacred building at Mecca, Mohammedan Holy of Holies containing the black stone. [Arab. ka'bah]

cab¹, n., & v.i. (-bb-). (Go in a) hackney carriage esp. of brougham or hansom shape or taxi; driver's shelter on locomotive; ~man, driver of ~; || ~rank, row of ~s on ~stand, where ~s are authorized to wait; || ~runner, ~out, men earning pay by fetching, or unloading luggage from, ~s. Hence ~LESS a. [short for CABRIOLET]

|| **cab²**, n., & v.i. (sl.; -bb-). (Use secretly in preparing lessons) a translation, crib. [short for arch. cabbage v. & n. pilfer(-ing) perh. f. F *cabas* basket f. L *capacem* nom. -ar CAPACIOUS]

cabál, n., & v.i. (-ll-). (Join in a) secret intrigue; clique, faction; (Hist.) the C~, 'Committee for Foreign Affairs' under Charles II, esp. Clifford, Arlington, Buckingham, Ashley, & Lauderdale (1672), precursor of modern Cabinet. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. F *cabale*(s) f. med. L *cabala* CABALA; not f. initials of Clifford etc., being quoted from 1646]

caba'na (-bah-), n. Brand of cigar. [maker]

cab'aret (-à), n. French tavern; (in England, U.S., etc.) entertainment provided in restaurant etc. while guests are at table. [F]

cabb'age, n. Kinds of cultivated vegetable with round heart or head; *Sea C~*, sea KALE; ~butterfly, Large White or Small White; ~net, for boiling ~ in; ~rose, double red rose with large compact round flower; ~tree, various trees, esp. certain palms with terminal bud eaten like ~. [earlier *cabbage-cole* head-vegetable f. ME & F *caboche* head=It. *capocchia* f. *capo* f. L *caput*]

cab(b)'ala, n. Jewish oral tradition; mystic interpretation, esoteric doctrine, occult lore. Hence ~ISM(s), ~ISM(s), nn., ~in'tip a., ~in'tically adv. [med. L, f. Heb. *gabballah* tradition]

cabb'y, n. (colloq.). Cab-driver. [-r¹]

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by¹, bye, a. Subordinate, incidental, secondary, aside, out-of-the-way, secret, as *by(e) road, the by(e) effects, a by(e) consideration*; ~ *ELECTION*. [*by* adv. used attrib.; often hyphenated with noun; usu. *by* when this is done, & *bye* as sep. wd]

by², n. = *BYE* (-e usu. exc. in *by the by*).

by-, pref. 1. Usu. with one of the meanings of *BY a.*; it may be written as separate wd (*by path* or *bye path*), hyphenated (*by-path*), or, if the combination is often used, as one wd with the other (*by-path*). 2. Sometimes with meaning other adv. as in *bystander, bygone, by-and-by*, adv. & a. Before long, pre-

sently; (n.) the future. [perh. f. *BY* prep. denoting succession (*one by one* etc.)]

by'-blow (-b), n. Side blow at someone else than the main opponent; bastard child. [*BY a.*]

bye, n. Something subordinate (*by the by* or *bye*, incidentally, parenthetically); (Cricket) run scored for ball that passes batsman and wicket-keeper, *leg-~*, for one that touches batsman; (Golf) hole(s) remaining after decision of match & played as a new game; (in games where competitors are paired off) odd man, being odd man. [*BY¹* as n.]

bye'-bye¹, n. (Nursery word for) sleep, bed. [sound used in lullabies of *hushaby, lullaby, bye baby bunting*]

bye'-bye², int. = Good-bye. [colloq. & childish clipping of *good-bye*]

by'-end, n. Side or secret purpose. [*BY a.*]

by'gone (-aw-), a. & n. Past, departed; antiquated; (pl. n.) the past, past offences (*let ~s be ~s, forgive & forget*). [*BY* adv.]

by'lâne, n. See *BY-*.

by'law, bye'law (bil-), n. Regulation made by local authority or corporation, as town or railway company. [prob. f. obs. *byrlaw* local custom (ON *býjar* gent. of *býr* OE *bý* town, cf. *Derby* etc.), but associated with *BY a.*]

by'-name, n. Secondary name, sobriquet; nickname. [*BY a.*]

by'pass (-ah-), n., & v.t. 1. Secondary gas-jet always alight from which main jet is lit when wanted. 2. Road usu. passing round, or through outskirts of, town etc., & designed to relieve traffic congestion by providing an alternative route for through traffic. 3. v.t. Furnish with a ~, make détour round (town etc.), also fig. [*BY a.*]

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by'path (-ah-), n. Retired path (lit., & fig. as ~s of *history*). [*BY a.*]

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by'-road, n. Little-frequented road. [*BY a.*]

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by¹ständer, n. Spectator. [*BY* adv.]

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by¹word (-wɜrd), n. Proverb; person, place, etc. taken as type of some (usu.

bad) quality (esp. a ~ for iniquity etc.).

[BY a.]

by-work (-wérk), n. Work done by the way, at leisure moments. [BY a.]

Býzán'tine, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Byzantium or Constantinople (~the historians, of Eastern Empire from 6th to 15th c.); of the style in architecture etc. developed in the Eastern Empire (round arch, cross, dome, circle, mosaic). Hence ~inesque' (-šek) a., ~inism n., ~inism(4) v.t. [f. L *Byzantinus* f. L f. Gk *Buzantion*]

C

C (sè), letter (pl. Cs, C's, Cees). *C springs*, see CHE. *C3 POPULATION*. (Mus.) first note of natural major scale. (In argument) third hypothetical person or thing. (Alg.) third known quantity.

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caba na (-bah-), n. Brand of cigar. [maker]

cāb'aret (-ā), n. French tavern; (in England, U.S., etc.) entertainment provided in restaurant etc. while guests are at table. [F]

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cábríolet' (-lâ), n. Light two-wheeled hooded one-horse chaise; motor car with fixed sides & folding top. [F, f. *cabriole* goat's leap f. It. *capriola* (*caprio* f. *L. caprum* nom. -per goat)]

cacá'ô, n. & a. Seed of tropical Amer. tree, giving cocoa & chocolate; the tree (also ~-tree). [Sp., f. Mex. *caca(uall* -tree)]

cách'alot (-shalôt, -shalô), n. Kinds of whale with teeth in lower jaw, esp. *Common C*~, *Sperm whale*. [F, = toothed f. Gascon *cachau* large tooth]

cache (kásh), n., & v.t. Hiding-place for treasure, provisions, ammunition, etc., esp. as used by explorers; the hiding (*make a ~*) or stores hidden; (vb) place in ~. [F, f. *cache* to hide f. *L. co(actare* collect frequent. of *agere* bring)]

cachéc'tic (-k-), a. Of, suffering from, *CACHEXY*. [f. Gk *kakhektikos* of *CACHEXY*]

cách'et (-shâ), n. Stamp (fig.), distinguishing mark, internal evidence of authenticity; (Med.) small case (made of gelatine etc.) enclosing dose of (nausea) medicine. [obs. sense *seal*, cf. F *lettre de ~* letter under king's private seal (*cache* see *CACHE*)]

cachéx'y (-k-), n. Ill-conditioned state of body or mind. [f. Gk *kakhexia* (*CAOO* + *hexis* habit f. *ekhô* hold, be)]

cách'hinnlâte (-k-), v.i. Laugh loudly. So ~'TION n., ~'TORY a. [f. *L. cachinnare*, -ATE¹]

cách'olông, n. Kind of opal. [f. Kalmuck *kaschtschilon* beautiful stone]

cách'ou (-shôo), n. = *CATECHU*; pill used by smokers to sweeten breath. [F, = *CASHEW*]

cachu'cha (-ôô-), n. A Spanish solo dance. [Sp.]

cacique' (-sêk), n. W.-Indian & Amer.-Indian native chief; (Spanish pol.) political boss. Hence *caciqu'ism* (-sêk²) n., local government on Tammany lines. [Sp., f. Haytian]

các'kle, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) clucking of hen after laying; (Indulge in) glib noisy inconsequent talk; boast; chuckle; ~e out etc., say ~ingly. Hence ~ER¹ n. [ME *cakelen*; imit., cf. Du. *kakelen*, G *gackeln*]

cáco-, pref. = Gk *kako-* (*kakos* bad), found in some wds taken direct or through L (& F) f. Gk; & prefixed in med. terms (=disease of, as *cacophthalmia* eye-disease, or *mal-*, as *cacomorphia* malformation) usu. to Gk components, rarely to L as *cacodorous* ill-smelling.

cácodém'on, -aem'on, n. Evil spirit; malignant person. [f. Gk *kakodaimôn* (prec. + *daimôn* spirit)]

các'edyl, n. Stinking poisonous compound of arsenic & methyl. Hence *cáco-*

dyl'io a. [Gk *kakôdês* stinking (*CAOO* + *od-* root of *osô* to smell) + -YL]

cacô'épy, n. Bad pronunciation (cf. *ORTHO-EPY*). [f. Gk *cacô(epeia* f. *epos* word, see -Y¹)]

cácôéth'es (-êz), n. Ill habit, itch for doing something unadvisable, usu. in *scribendi* ~, scribbling-manía. [f. Gk *kakô-ethes* neut. adj. (*CAOO* + *êthos* disposition)]

cacôg'raphy, n. Bad handwriting or spelling. Hence *cacôg'rapher* n., *cáco-graph'ic* (AL) aa. [*CAOO*-, -GRAPHY]

cacôl'ogý, n. Bad choice of words or pronunciation. [f. Gk *kakologia* vituperation (*caco-*, -logos -speaking f. *legô* speak)]

cacôon', n. Large flat polished bean of tropical shrub with 6-8 ft pods. [African?]

cacôph'onous, a. Ill-sounding. [Gk *caco-* (*phônos* -sounding f. *phônê* sound) + -OUS]

cacôph'oný, n. Ill sound (cf. *EUPHONY*); discord (lit. & fig.). [f. F *cacophonie* f. Gk *kakophônia* as prec. & see -Y¹]

các'tus, n. Kinds of succulent plant with thick fleshy stem, usu. no leaves, & clusters of spines. Hence ~'CEOUS (-shus), ~AL, ~OID, aa. [L, f. Gk *kaktos* cardoon]

căd, n. Person of low manners; person guilty or capable of ungentlemanly conduct, blackguard, whence ~d'ISH¹ a.; member of lower classes; hanger-on employed about (esp. school & college) games; (obs.) omnibus conductor. [quoted f. 1831; prob. short for *CADET*² (cf. *CADDIE*) & started at Eton & Oxford as name for townsmen]

cadăs'tral, a. Of, showing, the extent, value, & ownership, of land for taxation (esp. ~ survey). [F, f. *cadastre* f. L *capitastrium* register of *capita* (*caput* head) units made for Roman *capitatio terrena* land-tax]

cădavê'ric, a. (med. & physiol.). Characteristic of a corpse. [L *cadaver* corpse (perh. f. *cadere* fall) + IC]

cadăv'erous, a. Corpse-like; deadly pale. [f. F *cadavérez* f. L *cadaverosus* (prec., -OS¹)]

cădd'ie, n. Golf-player's attendant for carrying clubs etc. [Sc. (also *cadie*) f. F *CADET*²]

cădd'is, -ice, n. Larva of May-fly etc., living in water & making cylindrical case of hollow stems etc., used as bait; also ~-bait, -worm. [also *cad*, *cod*, etym. dub.]

cădd'y, n. Small box for holding tea. [f. Malay *kati* weight = 1½ lb.]

căd'ence, n. Rhythm; measured movement, esp. of sound; fall of voice, esp. at end of period; intonation; close of musical phrase. Hence (-căd'ence)¹ (-st) a. [F, f. It. *cadenza* (L *cadere* fall, -ENCE)]

căd'ency, n. Descent of younger branch, cadetship. [as prec., -ENCY]

cădên'sa (-tsa), n. (mus.). Flourish of voice or instrument at close of movement. [It.]

cadet', *n.* Younger son; student in naval or military or air force college, whence ~*ship* *n.*; member of Russian Constitutional-Democratic party; ~ *corps*, company of schoolboys receiving elementary military training. [f. foll. f. 15th-c. *capdet* f. Rom. **capitello* dim. of *L. caput* head = little chief]

cadet' (-dā), *n.* (Appended to surname of younger brother for distinction, cf. *AINÉ*) the younger (as *Coquelin* ~). [F]

cādge, *v.i. & t.* Go about peddling or begging; got by begging. [perh. var. of *catch*]

cādg'er, *n.* Carrier; itinerant dealer in eggs, butter, etc., between remote farms & towns; street hawker; beggar, loafer. [-ER¹]

cad'Y (kah-, kā-), *n.* Civil judge, usu. of town etc., among Turks, Arabs, Persians. [Arab.]

Cādme'an. See *VICTORY*.

cād'mium, *n.* Bluish-white metal resembling tin; ~yellow, intense yellow pigment. Hence *cādmir'ebrous*, *cād'mic*, *aa.* [f. obs. *cadmia* CALAMINE f. *L. f. Gk kadmia* (gē) Cadmean (earth), -IUM]

cadre (kah'dr), *n.* Framework, scheme; (Mil.) permanent establishment of regiment forming nucleus for expansion at need. [F, f. It. *quadro* f. *L. quadrum* SQUARE]

cadū'cūs, *n.* (pl. -ēū). Ancient herald's wand, esp. as carried by messenger-god Hermes. [L, f. Gk *karukion* (kēruz herald)]

cadū'cītŷ, *n.*, *cadū'cūs*, *a.* Fleeting (nature); perishable(ness); (Zool. & Bot., of organs & parts) falling off (*n.* & *a.*) when work is done. [*n. thr. F caducité* (-TY), *a. f. L caducus* falling (*cadere* fall) + -OUS]

caec'um (sē-), *n.* (pl. -cā). The blind gut, first part of large intestine in mammals etc.; any tube with closed end. Hence ~AL, ~IFORM, *aa.*, ~ALY² *adv.*, ~RY² *n.* [L, for *intestinum caecum* f. *caecus* blind]

Caesar (sēz'ar), *n.* Roman Emperor from Augustus to Hadrian; heir presumptive of later Roman Emperor; (loosely) any Roman Emperor; an autocrat; the civil power (*Matt.* xxii. 21); ~'s wife, person required to be above suspicion. [L, family name of C. Julius]

Caesā'reān, -ian, (sīz-), *a. & n.* Of Caesar or the Caesars, imperial; ~ birth, operation, delivery of child by cutting walls of abdomen (as with Julius); (*n.*) adherent of Caesar or an autocratic system. [f. *L. Caesarianus* see -EAN]

Caes'arism, -ist, (sēz-), *nn.* (Believer in) autocracy. [-ISM(3), -IST(2)]

caes'ious (sēz-), *a.* (bot.). Bluish or greyish green. [f. *L. caesiūs* + -OUS]

caes'ium (sēz-), *n.* (chem.). An alkali-metal. [as prec. f. its spectrum lines]

caesū'ia (sīz-), *n.* (Cl. prosody) break between words within a metrical foot;

(Eng. prosody) pause about middle of line. Hence ~AL *a.* [*L. caedere* caes- cut, -URE]

café (káf'ā), *n.* Coffee-house, restaurant (esp. foreign; ~ *chantant* (see Ap.), with music & entertainments, often in open air). [F, = coffee(-house)]

café' (káf'ā'), *n.* Coffee; ~ *au lait* (ō lā), with milk; ~ *noir* (nwa'r), without milk. [F]

***cāfētēr'ia**, *n.* Restaurant in which customers fetch what they want from the counters. [Sp., = coffee-shop]

cāff'ic, *a.* (chem.). Of coffee (esp. ~ *acid*). [f. *F caféique*, see prec., -IO]

cāff'eīne, *n.* Vegetable alkaloid found in coffee & tea plants. [f. *F caféine* (CAFÉ¹ + -INE²)]

Caffre. See *KAFIR*.

cāf'tan (also kāftahn'), *n.* Eastern long under-tunic with waist girdle. Hence ~ED² (-nd) *a.* [f. Turk. *qaf'tan*]

cāge, *n.*, & *v.t.* Fixed or portable prison, of wire or barred, esp. for birds or beasts; prison (lit. or fig.); (Mining) frame for hoisting & lowering cars; open framework of various kinds; (vb) place or keep in ~. [F, f. *L. cavea* (cavus hollow) cf. *rage* f. *rabies*]

calman. See *CAYMAN*.

Cain, *n.* Patricide, murderer; *raise* ~, make a disturbance. [*Gen.* iv]

cainozō'ic (kin-), *a.* (geol.). Of the third geological period (= tertiary, cf. *palaeozoic*, *mesozoic*). [f. Gk *kainos* new + *zōon* animal + -IO]

caique (ka-āk'), *n.* Light Bosporan row-boat; Levantine sailing-ship. [F, f. Turk. *kaik*]

calrn, *n.* Pyramid of rough stones as memorial, sepulchre, landmark, etc.; (also ~ *terrier*) small short-legged long-bodied shaggy-coated terrier (from its being used to hunt among ~s). [f. Gael. *carn*]

cairn'gorm', *n.* (Also ~ *stone*) yellow or wine-coloured precious stone. [found on C~, Scotch mountain (Gael. *carn gorm* blue cairn)]

caiss'on, *n.* Ammunition chest or wagon; large water-tight case used in laying foundations under water; boat-shaped vessel used as dock gate; ~ *disease* (of workers in compressed air, as in ~s etc.). [F (*caisse* f. *L. capsa* CASE², -OON)]

cait'iff, *n. & a.* (poet. & arch.). Base, despicable, (person); coward(ly). [f. ONF *caitif* f. *L. captivus* CAPTIVE]

cājöl'e, *v.t.* Persuade or soothe by flattery, deceit, etc. (also ~ *s* person into doing, out of, something; or ~ *s* something out of person). Hence ~'MENT (-lm-), ~RY¹, ~RY²(4), *nn.*, ~'INGLY² *adv.* [f. *F cajoler* etym. dub.; Cotgrave has also *cajoler* 'jangle like a jay', whence it has been referred to *cege*]

cake, *n.*, & *v.i. & t.* 1. Small flattish loaf of bread (arch., as in *king Alfred & the*

~*o*); thin oaten bread (So. & north.; also *oat*~; land of ~s, Scotland); (usu. Eng. sense) bread with other ingredients besides flour, as currants, spice, eggs, sugar—the substance (~) or (a ~) a portion of it baked in a thick disk or ornamental shape—; flattish compact mass of other food (*fish*~., *PAN*~.) or of any compressed substance (~ of soap, wax, tobacco); ~s & ale, merry-making; ~walk, kinds of dance developed from negro contest in graceful walking with ~ for prize; a piece of ~ (colloq.), something easy or pleasant; take the ~, carry off the honours; cannot eat your ~ and have it, do mutually exclusive things; hence *cāk'y*¹ a. 2. v.t. & i. Form into compact flattish mass. [prob. f. ON *kaka* cf. G *kuche* etym. dub. (not cogn. with L *coquere* cook)]

cālabār' bean, n. Poisonous seed of African climbing plant yielding an extract valuable in medicine & surgery. [*Calabar* on W. coast of Africa]

cāl'abāsh, n. Kinds of gourd whose shell serves for holding liquid; fruit of American ~tree, so used; pipe etc. made from these or of like shape. [f. F *calebasse* f. Sp. *calabaza*, Sicil. *caravazza*, perh. f. Pers. *kharbus* melon]

cāl'aber, -ar, n. Fur of grey squirrel. [prob. f. F *Calabre* Calabria]

***cālabōōse'** (-z), n. Common prison, lock-up. [f. Sp. *calabozo* dungeon]

cālamān'cō, n. Glossy Flemish woollen stuff much used in 18th c. [etym. dub.; cf. Du. *calamink*, F *calmande*]

cālamān'der, n. Hard cabinet wood of Ceylon & India. [etym. dub.; perh. f. *Coromandel*]

cāl'amary, n. Kinds of cuttlefish with pen-shaped internal shell. [f. L *calamarius* (*calamus* pen, -ARY¹)]

cāl'amine, n. A zinc ore found in England. [F, f. med. L *calamina* (L *cadmia* CADMIUM)]

cāl'amint, n. Kinds of aromatic herb. [ult. f. Gk *kalaminthē*]

cāl'amite, n. Fossil plant allied to *Mare's Tail*. [f. L *calamus* reed + -ITE(2)]

cālām'itous, a. Marked by, causing, calamity. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. F *calamiteux* f. L *calamitosus* see foll., & -ITOUS]

cālām'ity, n. Adversity, deep distress; grievous disaster. [f. F *calamité* f. L *calamitatē* (-TY) cf. *incolumis* safe]

calds'dō, mus. direction. Diminish tone & pace gradually. [It.]

calāsh', n. Light low hooded carriage; carriage hood; (Canada) two-wheeled one-seated vehicle with driver's seat on splash-board; woman's hooped silk hood. [f. F *calèche* f. Slav. (Boh. *kolésa* etc.)]

cāl'c, comb. form = lime; ~sinter, crystalline deposit from lime-springs; ~spar, crystallized carbonate of lime; ~tuff, porous calcareous deposit. [f. G *kalk* f. L *calc* -cis corrected to L spelling]

cālcār'eous, -ious, a. Of, containing, carbonate of lime or limestone. Hence **cālcār'eo-**, comb. form. [f. L *calcarius* (CALO-, -ARY¹) + -OUS; first spelling wrong but usu.]

cālcēolār'ia, n. Kinds of plant with flower shaped like slipper. [f. L *calceolus* dim. of *calceus* shoe + fem. of -artus -ARY¹]

cāl'cēolāte, a. (bot.). Slipper-shaped. [a prec., -ATE¹]

cāl'cic, a. Of calcium. [-IC]

cālcif'erous, a. Yielding carbonate of lime. [CALO-, -I-, -FEROUS]

cāl'cify, v.t. & i. Convert, be con- into lime; replace by lime; harden by deposit of salts of lime; petrify. Hence ~IF'IO a., ~IFICA'TION n. [CALO-, -I-, -FY]

cāl'cimine, n., & v.t. White or tinted wash for ceilings & walls; (vb) distemper with ~. [f. L *calx* -cis lime]

cāl'cin'e, v.t. & i. Reduce to quick-lime or friable substance by roasting or burning; desiccate; refine by consuming grosser part; burn to ashes; (intr.) suffer these processes. Hence ~A'TION, ~ER¹(2), nn. [f. med. L *calcinare* reduce to CALX]

cāl'cite, n. Native carbonate of lime. [f. L *calx* -cis lime + -ITE¹]

cāl'cium, n. Chemical element, white metal, the basis of lime (in many compd terms, as ~ chloride). Hence **cāl'cio-** comb. form. [as prec. + -IUM]

cāl'cū'able, a. That may be reckoned, measured, computed, or relied upon. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n. [f. L *calcularē* (foll.), -ABLE]

cāl'cūl'āte, v.t. & i. Compute (w. noun or clause, or abs.) by figures (~ating-machine, that does sums automatically); ascertain beforehand (event, date, etc.) by exact reckoning; plan deliberately (t. & i., esp. in intr. part. & p.p. = cold-blooded, selfish); (usu. pass.) arrange, adapt, (conduct, apparatus, etc.) for (purpose), to (do); (in p.p.) fit, suitable, to do; rely upon; *suppose, believe. Hence ~ATIVE a. [f. L *calcularē* (CALCULUS), -ATE¹]

cālcūl'ā'tion, n. (Result got by) reckoning; forecast. [F, f. L *calculationem* (prec., -ATION)]

cāl'cul'ātor, n. In vbl senses; also: set of tables for use in calculation; calculating-machine. [L (CALCULATE, -OR²)]

cāl'cul'ous, a. Of, suffering from, stone or calculus. [f. L *calculosus* (foll., -OSE¹)]

cāl'culus, n. (pl. -li, in math. sense freq. ~es). 1. (Med.) stone, concretion in some part of body (*renal* etc. ~ f. the particular part; *uric acid* etc. ~ f. its composition). 2. (Math.) particular method of calculation, as *differential*, *integral*, ~. [L, = small stone (*calc* -cis stone, -ULE) used in reckoning on abacus] **cāl'der'ium**, n. (archaeol.). Roman hot bath room. [f. L *calidus* hot, see -AR¹]

caldron. See CALDERON.

Cāledōn'ian, a. & n. (Native) of ancient

Scotland (also used in mod. titles of clubs etc., & joc. = Scotch or Soot). [f. *L. Caladonia* northern Britain, -AN]

caléfá'cient (-shent), a. & n. (Medical agent) producing warmth. [f. *L. calefacere* (*calère* be warm, *facere* make), -ENT, -ANT]

caléfác'tor'y, a. & n. Producing warmth; (Archaeol.) warm room in monastery. [f. *L. calefactorius* see prec., -TORY]

call'embour (-oor), n. Pun. [F]

call'endar¹, n. System by which beginning, length, & subdivision, of civil year is fixed, esp. the Gregorian ~, used in Engl. from 1752; table(s) with months, weeks, & festivals etc., of a given year, or with dates important for certain classes, as *Gardener's* ~; register, list, esp. of canonized saints, prisoners for trial, or documents chronologically arranged with summaries; ~ MONTH. [f. OF *calendrier* f. *L. calendarium* account-book (CALENDAR, -ARY¹)]

call'endar², v.t. Register, enter in list; arrange, analyse, & index (documents), whence ~EE¹ n. [f. prec.]

call'ender¹, v.t., & n. Press (cloth, paper, etc.) in a ~ or roller-machine to smooth it; steam mangle; (arch.) person who ~s. Hence **call'ender** n. [f. F *calandre*(r) f. med. *L. calendra* f. *L. f. Gk kulindros* roller]

call'ender², n. Mendicant dervish in Turkey or Persia. [f. Pers. *qalandar*]

call'ends, k-, n. pl. First of month in Roman calendar; from the Greek C~, never. [f. *L. kalendae* (cal- cf. *calare*, Gk *kaleō*, proclaim)]

call'enture, n. Tropical fever or delirium in which sailors etc. leap into sea. [F, f. Sp. *calentura* fever f. part. st. of *L. calère* be hot, -URE]

call¹ (kahl), n. (pl. -ves). Young of bovine animal, esp. domestic cow, for first year (*cow* in, with, ~, pregnant; *slip* her ~, suffer abortion); *golden* ~, wealth as object of worship (*Ex. xxxii*); stupid fellow; *moon* ~; child (so ~love, childish love affair); (also ~skin) ~leather, esp. in bookbinding (~bound) & shoemaking (*willow* ~, superior brown leather used in shoemaking); young of elephant, whale, deer, etc.; *sea* ~, seal; (Naut.) floating piece of ice; ~knee, knock-knee; || ~'s teeth, milk teeth; *calves-foot jelly*. Hence ~HOOD n., ~ISH¹(1) a. [com. Teut., cf. G *kalb*]

call² (kahl), n. (pl. -ves). Fleshy hinder part of leg-shank; ~ part of stocking. Hence ~LESS, -CALVED² (kahvd), aa. [f. ON *kalfi* etym. dub.]

Call'iban, n. Man of degraded bestial nature. (Shaksp., *Tempest*, & see CANNIBAL)

call'ibre (líte), v.t. Find calibre of; calculate irregularities of (tube, gauge) before graduating. Hence ~METER n. [Holl. + -AGE¹]

call'ibre (-er), **call'iber**, n. Internal diameter of gun or any tube; weight of character, standing, importance. Hence -call'ibren² (-erd) a. [F (-bre), f. It. *calibro* perh. f. Arab. *qalib* mould]

call'icle, n. (biol.). Small cup-like body. So **calic'ular**¹ a. [f. *L. caliculus* dim. of *calix* cup]

call'icō, n. & a. (pl. ~es). ||(Of) cotton cloth, esp. plain white unprinted, bleached or unbleached (~ball, dance at which only cotton dresses are worn); ~printer, -ting, producer, production, of coloured patterns on ~. [orig. *Calicut*-cloth f. town on Malabar coast]

calliōl'ogy, n. Study of birds' nests. [f. Gk *kalia* but, nest, -ō-, -LOGY]

call'ipāsh, **call'ipee**, nn. Gelatinous substances in turtle regarded as dainties (-ash, dull green next upper shell; -ee, light yellow next lower shell). [perh. W.-Ind.; perh. -ash = CARAPACE, & -ee formed for distinction f. it]

call'iph, -if, n. Successor of Mohammed, Mohammedan chief civil & religious ruler. Hence **call'iphate**¹ n. [f. F *caliphe* f. med. *L. calipha* f. Arab. *khalifah* successor]

call'ix, n. (anat.). pl. -ices. Cup-like cavity or organ. [L. = cup, often confused w. *L. CALYX*]

call¹ (kawk), v.t., & n. (Provide with) sharp iron to prevent horse-shoe or boot from slipping. [f. *L. calx calcis* heel, cf. *CALLIKIN*]

call² (kawk), v.t. Trace by colouring back of design & pressing along outlines. [f. F *calquer* f. It. & *L. calcare* tread]

call'kin (kaw-, also kál-), n. Turned-down heels of horse-shoe, also turned edge in front, esp. when sharpened in frost; iron guards on boots or shoes. [perh. f. OF *calcain* heel f. *L. calcaneum* (*calx calcis* heel)]

call¹ (kawl), v.t. & f. 1. Cry, shout, speak loudly, (lit. & fig. etc., as) (bird, trumpet, etc.) utter characteristic note; cry out; cry to (person); signal (for trumpet); pay brief visit (at house, on person); read over (names to ascertain presence); ~ for, order, demand, need, go & fetch; ~ on, invoke, appeal to; put off (engagement etc.). 2. Summon (lit. & fig. etc., as): demand presence of (cab, witness, actor after curtain); broadcast (to); (Cards) direct opponent to play (exposed or other card); ~ into being, create; ~ to ACCOUNT²; ~ into play, give scope for; ~ in question, dispute; ~ to mind etc., also ~ up, recollect; ~ away, off, divert, distract; ~ in money lent, doctor etc. for advice; ~ forth, elicit; ~ put, elicit, challenge to duel, summon (troops) esp. to aid the civil authorities; ~ over the COALS; ~ up, imagine, summon to talk by telephone, summon to serve in army etc.; rouse from sleep; fix the moment for (~ case in law-

court; ~ a hall; ~ a meeting; urge, invite, nominate, (duty, pleasure, ~; many are ~ed; || ~ to the BAR¹, ministry; ~ attention to; ~ to witness). 3. (With n. or adj. as compl.) name, describe as, (~ a SPAD² a spade; ~ him John, ~ him by the name of John; ~ person names, abuse him; ~ cousins with; consider, regard as, (~ that mean); ~ (thing) one's own, possess; *~ down (colloq.), reprimand, challenge. [f. ON *kalla*, com.-Text. cf. Du. *kallen*]

call¹ (kawl), n. Shout, cry; (also ~-over) =ROLL-~; special cry of bird etc., imitation of this, instrument imitating it; signal on bugle etc., signalling-whistle; looking-in on business (so house of ~); short formal visit (pay ~, make one); invitation, summons, (to actor for applause; || to the BAR¹; from God, conscience, or congregation, to be pastor); duty, need, occasion, (no ~ to blush); demand for money, esp. for unpaid capital from company shareholders; (St. Exch.) option of claiming stock at given date; (Bridge) player's right or turn to make a bid, bid thus made; ~-loan, -money, lent subject to recall without notice; at, within, ~, ready for orders; ~-boy, prompter's attendant summoning actors; ~-day, -night, at Inns of Court, for calling students to bar; ~-over: (Betting) reading aloud a list of prices (in sporting club etc.); roll ~ at schools. [f. prec.]

call²a, n. (bot.). (Also ~-illy) marsh plant of N. Europe, bog arum. [f.]

call³er¹ (kaw-), n. In vbl senses; esp., person who pays call or visit. [ER¹]

call³er², a. (Sc.). Fresh, not decaying, (of herring etc.); cool (of air). [f.]

callig³raphy, n. Beautiful handwriting; handwriting. So **callig³rapher**, ~IST(1), nn., **callig³raphy** to a. [ult. f. Gk *kalligraphia* (*kallos* beauty, -GRAPHY)]

call³ing (kaw-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: divine summons to salvation or self-devotion; impulse to do something as right; occupation, profession, trade; persons following a particular business. [ING³]

calli³ope, n. Steam-organ. [Gk *Kalliopē* beautiful-voiced (Muse)]

call³(1)iper, n. & a., & v.t. ~ compasses or ~s, compasses with bowed legs for measuring diameter of convex bodies, or with out-turned points for measuring calibre; ~-square, rule with movable cross-heads for taking internal or external diameters; (vb) measure with ~s. [prob. =CALIPERS]

callisthēn³ic, a. Suitable for producing strength with beauty (esp. of girls' gymnastics). Hence ~IOS n. [f. Gk *kallos* beauty + *sthenos* strength + IO]

callōs³ity, n. Abnormal hardness & thickness of skin; hardened insensible part, lump, (from friction, or natural as on horses' legs). [f. F *callosité* f. L *callositas* (see foll. -RY)]

call³ous, a. (Physiol., Zool.) hardened, hard, (of parts of skin); (of person, heart, etc.) unfeeling, insensible, whence ~NESS n. [f. L *callosus* (*callum* or CALLUS, -OSE³)]

call³ow (-ō), a. Unfedged; downy like young birds; raw, inexperienced; (Irish, a. & n.) low-lying, often flooded, (meadow). [OE *calu* f. WG *kallow* (cf. G *kahl*) perh. f. L *calvus* bald]

call³us, n. (physiol., path., bot.). Thickened part of skin or soft tissue; bony material formed while bone-fracture heals. [L]

calm¹ (kahm), n. Stillness, serenity, (of weather, air, sea, the mind, social or political conditions); a ~, windless period. [f. F *calme* f. It., Sp., or Port., *calma* perh. (with infl. of L *calor* heat) f. Gk *kauma* heat (*kaiō* burn)]

calm² (kahm), a., & v.t. & i. 1. Tranquil, quiet, windless, (lit. & fig.); (colloq.) impudent (*pretty ~ of him*); hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. v.t. Make ~, pacify; (v.l.; alw. w. down) become ~. [f. F *calme* n. & a., see prec.]

cal³mative (also kahm-), a. & n. (med.). Calming (agent), sedative. [prec. + -ATIVE]

cal³omēl, n. (med.). Mercurous chloride used as purgative. [F, f. Gk *kalos* fair, *melas* black (explained anecdotically in various ways)]

calōrēs³cence, n. (physics). Change of heat-rays to light-rays. [for *calescence* (L *calescere* grow hot) by confusion w. foll.]

calori-, comb. form of L *calor* heat in Physics & Physiol. Hence **calō'rif-FA'CIENT**, **calō'rif'IC**, **calō'rimēTRIC**(AL), aa., **calō'rif'ICALLY** adv., **calō'rif'ICA'TION**, **calō'rimēTER**, -METRY, nn., **calō'rif'y** v.t. **calō'ric**, n. Heat; ~engine, driven by hot air. [f. F *calorique* (L *calor* heat, -IO)]

cal³orie, n. (physics). Unit of quantity of heat; large or great or food ~, amount of heat required to raise one kilogram of water 1° C. [F, f. L *calor* heat + -ie (-Y³) irregularly used]

calōtte³, n. Skull-cap of priests etc. [F, dim. of *cale* CAUL]

calp, n. Irish dark-grey limestone. [f.]

cal³trop, n. Four-spiked iron ball thrown on ground to maim cavalry horses; kinds of plant, as Star-thistle. [found earliest as plant name; but prob. transf. f. the iron; f. L *calc* -cis heel + LL *trappa* f. OHG *trapo* TRAP]

cal³ūmēt, n. Amer.-Ind. clay-bowled reed-stemmed tobacco-pipe; symbol of peace; smoke the ~ together, make peace. [F, esp. Fr.-Canadian form of *calumet* tube f. L *calamellus* dim. of *calamus* reed]

calūm³nīāte, v.t. Slander. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~ATOR³, nn., ~ATORY a. [f. L *calumniari*, see -ATE³]

calūm³nious, a. Given to, marked by, calumny. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L *calumniosus* (see foll. -OUS)]

cal³urny, n. Malicious misrepresenta-

tion; false charge; slanderous report. [*f. L calumniā (& F calomnie) f. calvi deceive*]

Cāl'var'y, n. Place, (R.-C. Ch.) representation, of Crucifixion. [*f. L calvaria skull (calvus bald) transl. of Golgotha, Matt. xxvii. 33*]

calve (kahv), v.i. & t. Give birth to a calf; (esp. in pass. of calf) give birth to; (of iceberg etc.) throw off mass of ice. [*OE cealfian (CALF)*]

-calved. See CALF².

Cāl'vin'ism, n. Calvin's theology (esp. the doctrines of Particular election & redemption, Moral inability in a fallen state, Irresistible grace, Final perseverance); adherence to this. So ~IST(2) n. & a., ~IS'TIC(AL) aa., ~IS'TICALY² adv., ~IZ(4) v.i. & t. [John Calvin, 1509-1564]

cālx, n. (pl. cāl'cēs). Powder or friable substance left when a metal or mineral has been burnt, residuum. [*L, genit. calcis, lime*]

calyc-, **caly-ci-**, st. of CALYX. cāl'yci-flōr'AL, -flōr'ATE², -flōr'OUS, aa., with stamens & petals inserted in calyx; cāl'yciFORM a.; cāl'yciNAL, cāl'ycINE², aa., having a, on the, calyx; cāl'yciNAR¹ a., = -al, also (of flower) double by increase of calyx-lobes; cāl'yciOID, cāl'ycoid'EUS, aa.

cāl'y'cle, n. (bot.). Row of bracts surrounding calyx-base; adherent crown of seed. Hence or cogn. ~ED² (-lō), cāl'yc'ū-lar¹, cāl'yc'ūLAR², aa. [*f. L calyculus dim. of CALYX (-ULE)*]

cāl'ypr-, st. of bot. terms = having, like, a hood. [*f. Gk kaluptra veil (kaluptō to cover)*]

cāl'yx, n. (pl. -yces, -yxes). (Bot.) whorl of leaves (SEPAL) forming outer case of bud (for derivatives see CALYCO-); (Physiol. & Biol.) = CALIX. [*L, f. Gk kalux (cf. kaluptō to cover) case of bud, husk*]

cām, n. Projecting part of wheel etc. in machinery, grooved, toothed, or otherwise adapted to convert circular into reciprocal, or variable motion. [var. of COMB, cf. Du., Da., Sw., kam, G kamm]

cām'rade'rie' (-ahderē), aa. The intimacy, mutual trust, & sociability, of comrades. [F]

cām'raril'a, n. Cabal, clique, junto. [Sp.] **cām'aron**, n. Large freshwater prawn resembling crayfish. [Sp., = shrimp]

cām'ber, n., & v.i. & t. Slight convexity above, arched form, (of beam, deck, road, etc.); (also ~beam) slightly arched beam; small dock or tidal basin; (vb) have, impart to (beam etc.), such convexity. [*f. F cambre(r) f. L camerare to vault (CAMERA)*]

Cām'berwēll Beaut'y (bū-), n. A butterfly.

cām'bist, n. Expert in, manual of, exchange; dealer in bills of exchange. [*f. F cambiste f. L cambium exchange, -IST*]

cām'bium, n. Cellular tissue, below bark of exogens, in which annual growth of wood & bark occurs. [*L, = exchange*]

cām'brel, n. Butcher's bent wood or iron for slinging carcasses by ankles. [perh. *f. W cambren (cam crooked + pren wood)*]

Cām'brian, a. & n. Welshman; (Geol.) (of) palaeozoic rocks lying above the archæan in Wales & Cumberland. [*f. L Cambria var. of Cumbria f. Celt. Cymry Welshman or Cymru Wales (OCelt. Com-broges compatriots)*]

cām'bric, a. & n. (Of) fine white linen; handkerchiefs. [Cambray orig. place of making]

|| **Cām'bridge**, n. ~ blue, light blue.

cāme', n. Grooved slip of lead as used in lattice windows. [cf. Sc. calm casting-mould]

cāme'. See COME.

cām'el, n. Large hornless ruminant long-necked cushion-footed quadruped with (Arabian) one hump or (Bactrian) two humps; thing hard to believe or put up with (*Matt. xxiii. 24*); machine for floating ship over shoals etc.; || ~brown, fishing-fly; ~s-hair, made of ~s hair or (paint-brushes) of squirrel's tail hairs. [*OE, f. L f. Gk kamēlos f. Semit. (cf. Heb. gāmāl camel, Arab. jamala carry)*]

cāmeleer', n. Camel-driver. [-EER] **cāmēll'ia**, n. Flowering evergreen from China & Japan. [Kamel, Jesuit & botanist, -IA¹]

cāmēll'opārd (or kāmā), n. = the now usu. GIRAFFE. [*f. L camelopardus f. Gk camēlo-pardalis (CAMEL, PARD)*]

cām'eir'y, n. Troops on camels. [-RY] **Cām'embert** (-ā), n. Small soft rich Norman cheese. [name of village]

cām'ēō, n. (pl. ~s). Piece of relief-carving in stone (sardonyx, agate, etc.) with colour-layers utilized to give background (cf. INTAGLIO). [*f. It. camēo cf. med. L cammaeus etym. dub.*]

cām'era, n. In camerā (Lat.), in the judge's private room, not in open court; (orig. ~ obscura) photographing-apparatus; ~ obscur'a, tū'cida (L, = dark, light, chamber), two kinds of apparatus projecting on paper, for tracing, image of distant object. [*L, = vault, cf. Gk kamēra anything with arched cover*]

cām'erling'o (-ngō), -lēn-, n. The Pope's chamberlain & financial secretary; treasurer of the Sacred College. [*It. (-ingo); see CHAMBERLAIN*]

Cām'erōn'ian, a. & n. (Follower) of Richard Cameron or his doctrines; Scottish reformed presbyterian; || (pl.) both battalions of the Scottish Rifles (formed orig. of ~s). [-IAN]

|| **cāmi-knick'ers**, n. pl. Woman's undergarment of camisole & knickers combined. [camī(sole) + knicker(bockers)]

cām'ion, n. Low flat four-wheeled horse or motor truck. [F]

cām'isōle, n. Under-bodice, usu. embroidered etc. [F. f. Sp. *camisola* (*camisa* CHEMISE)]

cām'lét, n. Light cloth of various materials for cloaks etc. [orig. a costly Eastern stuff of silk & camel's hair; f. *camelot* perh. f. CAMEL, perh. f. Arab. *khaml* nap]

cāmm'ock, n. Rest-harrow: kinds of yellow-flowered plant. [OE *cammoc* etym. dub.]

cām'omile, ch- (pr. k-), n. Aromatic creeping composite plant with daisy-like flowers used as tonic; allied kinds of plant, *Dog's, Stinking, Purple, C-*; ~ *tea*, infusion of the flowers. [f. F *camomille* f. L *chamomilla* f. Gk *khamatmēlon* carth-apple]

Camō'rra, n. Secret society in Naples etc. [It.]

cām'ouflagē (-ōfiahzh), n., & v.t. Disguise of guns, ships, etc., effected by obscuring outline with splashes of various colours; use of smoke-screens, boughs, etc., for same purpose; (trans.) means of throwing people off the scent; (vb) hide by ~. [F, f. *camouflet* smoke-puff]

camouflet (kahmōōfīē'), n. Subterranean cavity formed by bomb exploding beneath surface of earth. [F]

cāmp', n. Place where troops are lodged in tents etc.; army on campaign; military life (*courts & -s*); temporary quarters of nomads, gypsies, travellers; camping-out; persons camping out; adherents of a doctrine; ~ *bed*, ~ *chair*, ~ *stool*, folding & portable; ~ *colour*, flag used in marking out ~; ~ *fever*, esp. typhus; ~ *follower*, non-military hanger-on of camp, male or female; ~ *meeting*, American religious open-air or tent meeting lasting several days. [F, f. It. or Sp. *campo* (cf. F *camp* direct) f. L *campus* level ground, esp. the Campus Martius, exercising-ground]

cāmp', v.i. & t. Encamp, lodge in camp; (also ~ *out*) lodge in tent or the open, take up quarters; station (troops) in camp. [f. F *camper* (prec.)]

Cāmpagna (-ah'nyā), n. The ~, Italian plain S.E. of Tiber. [f. L *Campania* (CAMP¹)]

campaign' (-ān), n., & v.i. 1. Series of military operations in a definite theatre or with one objective or from taking the field to a temporary or final cessation of hostilities (*the Burma, Moscow, 1704, ~*); organized course of action, esp. (Pol.) attempt to rouse public opinion for or against a policy. 2. v.i. Serve on a ~; hence ~ *er* n. (*old -er*, person practised in adapting himself to circumstances). [f. F *campagne* open country, campaign, f. It. CAMPAGNA (cf. F *champagne* CHAMPAGNE)]

cāmpānī'ē (-nē-), n. Bell-tower, usu. decorated. [It., f. *campana* bell]

cāmpān'ōl'ogē, n. The subject of bells (founding, ringing, etc.). Hence ~ *ōl'ogē*, ~ *ōl'ogist*, nn., ~ *ōl'ogical* a. [f. LL *campana* bell + *-LOGY*]

cāmpān'ūla, n. Kinds of plant with bell-shaped flowers, usu. blue or white, as Canterbury Bell. Hence ~ *ā'creous* a. [mod. L, dim. of *campana* bell]

cāmpān'ūlate, a. (zool. & bot.). Bell-shaped. [as prec. + *-ATE*]

cām'phor, n. Whitish translucent crystalline volatile substance with aromatic smell & bitter taste. Hence **cām-phō'ric** a. [f. F *camfre*, med. L *camphora*, f. Arab. *kafur* f. Malay *kapur* chalk]

cām'phorate, v.t. Impregnate or treat with camphor. [-*ATE*]

cām'pion, n. Kinds of flowering plant, esp. the Red & the White C-.

cām'pō sām'tō, n. Cemetery in Italy. [It., = sacred field]

|| **cāmp'shēd**, v.t. Face with campshot.

|| **cāmp'shōt**, || **cāmp'shēdding**, || **cāmp'sheeting**, nn. Facing of piles & boards to resist water-action on, or out-thrust of, a bank. [etym. dub.; cf. WAINSCOT]

***cām'pus**, n. Grounds of a school or college; the college as a teaching etc. institution. [L, = field]

cām'pūlo-, comb. form in bot. terms = bent-. [f. Gk *kampulos*]

cām'wōōd, n. Hard red W.-African wood yielding dye. [native name *kambi*?]

cān', n., & v.t. || Vessel for liquids, usu. of metal, esp. tin, & with handle over top, whence ~ *FUL*(2) n.; ~ *buoy*, large conical buoy over sands etc.; ~ *dock*, water-lily; *(put in a) tin-plate box for hermetic sealing (meat, fish, fruit, etc.), whence (-) ~ *n'ER* n., ~ *n'ERY* (3) n., ~ *ning*-factory; ~ *ned* (sl.), drunk. [com.-Teut.; OE *canne* f. WG *kanna* cf. G *kanne*]

cān', v.aux. (2 s., *canst*; 3 s., *can*; neg., *cannot*, *can't* (kahnt); past & condit., *could* (kōōd), *couldst* or *couldst*; infin., part., & p.p., wanting; defective parts supplied f. *be able* to). Be able to; have the right to; be permitted to (*you ~ go*; also as mild imperat.); *could*, feel inclined to (*could laugh for joy*; *really couldn't think of it*); ~ *not* AWAY with; (with ellipse) *will do what I ~*. [OE *cunnan*, com.-Teut., cf. G *können*, OTeut. sense *know*, cogn. w. KEN, KNOW, & w. L (*gnosco*, Gk *gignōskō*, learn; as in DARE, MAY, MUST, the tense used as pres. is an old past, *could* being a later development; *could* (earlier *cūthe*, *couth*, *could*) has -i- merely on anal. of *would*, *should*; infin. *can* is now obs. or a conscious archaism or jocular exc. in Sc.; part. *cunning* now only as adj., preserving orig. sense *know*]

Cān'aan (-nyān, -nām), n. Land of promise, paradise. [O.-T. name of Palestine]

Cān'ada, a. Of, from, ~ (in names of plants, animals, products, as ~ *BAISAM*).

Canād'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Canada.

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canaille (kanah'ē, -nāl'), n. The rabble.

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canāl', n., & v.t. (-ll-). Duct in plant or animal body for food, liquid, air, etc.; artificial watercourse for inland navigation (~s of *Mars*, markings of doubtful nature on planet Mars); artificial irrigation channel; (Zool.) groove in shell for protrusion of breathing-tube; (v.t.) make ~ through; provide with ~s. [F, f. L *canalis*]

canalic'ulate, -ätéd, aa. (nat. hist.). With longitudinal groove(s); striated. [f. L *canaliculus* dim. of *CANALIS* + -ATE³.]

cán'aliz'e, v.t. = CANAL vb; convert (river) into canal by embanking, straightening course, locks, etc.; (fig.) give desired direction etc. to. Hence ~ATION n. [prob. f. F *canaliser* (CANAL + -IZE)]

cán'apé (-ä), n. Piece of fried bread with anchovies etc. [F]

cand'rd' (or kán'är), n. False report, hoax. [F, = duck, false report]

Canarese. See KANARESE.

canár'y, a. & n. From the C~ Islands; (also ~bird) yellow-feathered song-bird (green in wild state); (also C~wine) a favourite wine in 18th-18th cc.; yellow fishing-fly; ~coloured, bright yellow; C~creeper, yellow-flowered used esp. in window-boxes; ~seed, used as food for the bird. [f. F *Canarie* f. Sp. & L *Canaria* (canis dog), one of the islands being noted in Roman times for large dogs]

canás'ter, n. Tobacco prepared by coarsely breaking the dried leaves. [orig. the rush basket used for packing it; f. Sp. *canastra* f. ⁴L f. Gk *kanastron* basket see CANISTER]

cancan (see Ap.), n. High-kicking dance. [F]

cán'cel', v.t. & i. (-ll-). Obliterate, cross out, annul, make void, abolish, countermand, neutralize, balance, make up for, (v.i., ~ out or ~, of items) neutralize each other; (Math.) strike out (same factor) from numerator & denominator, from two sides of equation, etc. Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *canceller* f. L *cancellare* (cancelli cross-bars, lattice)]

cán'cel', n. Countermand; suppression & reprinting of leaf or leaves set up, the suppressed or the substituted leaf or leaves; (pair of) ~s, pincers for punching tickets. [f. prec.]

cán'cellate, -ätéd, aa. (bot. & zool.). Marked with crossing lines, reticulated; (of bone) formed of interlacing fibres & plates with cavities, porous. [f. L *cancelatus* (CANCELL¹, -ATE³.)]

cán'cellous, a. (Of bone) = prec. [-OUS]

cán'cer, C-, n. Zodiacal constellation the Crab (C~); fourth sign of zodiac (C~); TROPH of C~; malignant tumour eating the part it is in, spreading indefinitely, &

tending to recur when removed, (fig.) evil (sloth, bribery, etc.) acting similarly, whence ~ED¹ (-erd), ~OUS, aa. [OE (later CANKER, corrected to -er for disease c. 1600) f. L *cancer* -cri arab, cancer; tumour named from swollen veins, like crab's limbs]

cánc'roid, a. & n. 1. Crab-like; like cancer. 2. n. Crustacean of crab family: disease like cancer. [as prec. + -OID]

cándeláb'rum, n. (pl. -bra; also sing. -bra, pl. -bras). Large, usu. branched, candlestick or lampstand. [L (-um), f. *candela* CANDLE]

cándés'cent, a. Glowing (as) with white heat. Hence ~ENCE n. [f. L *candescere* (candere be white, -ESCENT)]

cán'did, a. Unbiased; not censorious; frank; ~ friend, nominal friend glad to tell home-truths. Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *candidus* white, see prec.]

cán'didate, n. One who puts himself or is put forward for appointment to an office or honour; person thought likely to gain any position. [f. L *candidatus*, as prec., -ATE³ (2), orig. white-robed (Roman ~s wearing white)]

cán'didature, n. Standing for election, being candidate. [F, as prec. + -URE]

cán'died (-did). See CANDY (p.p.).

cán'dle, n. Cylinder of wax, tallow, spermaceti, etc., enclosing wick, for giving light; (also ~power) unit of light-measurement; *Roman* ~, firework, tube discharging coloured balls; *can't*, is not fit to, hold a ~ to, is not to be compared with; *sell by inch of* ~, by auction, last bid before small ~ expires winning; *BELL book & ~*; *game not worth the ~*, result not justifying the cost or trouble; *BURN'3 ~ at both ends*; *hide ~ under BUSHEL*; ~berry-myrtle (N.-Amor.), ~berry-tree (Moluccas), yielding wax & nut-kernels used for ~s; ~ends, remnants of ~, odds-&-ends hoarded by the stingy; ~light, light of ~s, any artificial light, evening; ~stick, support for (usu. single) ~; ~tree, Amor., with ~like fruit some feet long. [OE *candel* f. L *candela* (candere shine)]

Cán'dlemas (-lm-), n. Feast of purification of Virgin Mary; (as date) 2nd Feb.; So. quarter-day. [OE *Candelmasse* (CANDLE, MASS³)]

cán'dour (-der), n. Open-mindedness, impartiality; freedom from malice; frankness. [f. L *candor* whiteness (candere shine, -OR³)]

cán'dy, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Crystallized sugar made by repeated boiling & slow evaporation (also *sugar* ~); * (w. pl.) *sweet*. 2. vb. Preserve by coating with ~; form (t. & i.) into crystals; (p.p.) glistening. (arch.) honeyed, flattering. [f. F (swee) *candi* f. Arab.-Pers. *gand* crystallized sugarcane juice of Skt. *kanda* piece]

cán'dytuft, n. Plant with white, pink, or

purple flowers in flat tufts. [f. obs. *Candy* (*Candia* Crete) + *ruff*]

cāne¹, n. Hollow jointed stem of giant reeds & grasses (bamboo, sugar ~) or solid stem of slender palms (rattan, Malacca, etc.) collectively & as material (~), or with pl. (*a* ~, ~s) of the stem or a length of it used for walking-stick or instrument of punishment; || any slender walking-stick; stick of sealing-wax, sulphur, glass; ~apple, Strawberry-tree; ~brake, genus of grasses, (also) tract of land overgrown with ~s; ~chair, with seat of woven ~ strips; ~sugar (obtained from the sugar ~). Hence **cān**¹ *y*² a. [OF (now *canne*), f. L f. Gk *kanna* reed perh. f. Semit. cf. Heb. *qaneh*]

cāne², v.t. Beat with cane, whence **cān**¹ *ing*¹ (1) n.; drive (lesson) *into* (person) with cane; insert cane into (chair-frame etc.). [f. prec.]

canēph'orus, n. (pl. -ri). Sculptured Greek youth or maid bearing basket on head at feast of Demeter. [L, f. Gk *kanēphoros* (*kaneon* basket, *pherō* carry)]

cangue (kängg), **cāng**, n. Heavy wooden board worn round neck by Chinese criminals. [F (-gue), f. Port. *cango* cf. *canga* yoke]

cān¹ *ine* (also *kanin*¹), a. & n. Of, as of, a dog or dogs; ~tooth or ~, one of the four strong pointed teeth between incisors & molars. [f. L *caninus* (*canis* dog, -*ine*¹)]

cān¹ *ister*, n. Small box usu. of metal for tea, shot, etc.; (R.-C. Ch.) vessel holding wafers before consecration; ~shot or ~, = *CASE*² *shot*. [f. L *canistrum* f. Gk *kanastron* wicker basket (*kanna* **CANE**¹)]

cānk¹ *er*, n., & v.t. 1. Ulcerous disease of human mouth; disease of horse's foot; disease of fruit-trees; (fig.) corrupting influence, rotten tendency; ~worm or ~, caterpillar or larva destroying leaves or buds; ~rash, variety of scarlet fever with ulcerated throat; hence ~ous a. 2. v.t. Consume with canker; infect, corrupt; (p.p.) soured, malignant, crabbed. [f. ONF *cancre* f. L *cancreum* nom. **CANCRER**]

cān¹ *a*, n. Plant with bright yellow, red, or orange flowers & ornamental leaves. [L (**CANE**¹)]

cān¹ *el*, n. (Also ~coal) bituminous coal burning with bright flame & used in making coal oils & gas. [perh. f. **CANDLE**]

cān¹ *ibal*, n. & a. 1. Man who eats human flesh; animal feeding on its own species; hence ~ism(2) n., ~is'tic a. 2. adj. Of, having, these habits. [16th-c. E & Sp. *Canibales* pl., var. of Carib name of W.-Ind. nation; *Caliban* is prob. another variant]

cān¹ *ikin*, n. Small can. [-*XIN*]

cān¹ *on*¹, n. 1. (Now *gun*) piece of ordnance, gun of the kind that needs mounting (collect. sing. usu. instead of pl.); 2. Pratt's heavy automatic gun, firing

explosive shell; ~ball, projectile; ~bone, tube-shaped bone between hough & fetlock; ~clock, fired at noon by burning-glass; ~fodder, men regarded as material to be consumed in war. 2. (Mech.) hollow cylinder moving independently on shaft; watchkey barrel. 3. (Also ~bit) smooth round bit for horse. 4. || (Billiards) hitting of two balls successively by player's ball. 5. (Also ~curl) sausage-shaped, prop. horizontal, curl. [In 16th c. also *canon* f. F *canon* cf. It. *cannone* great tube (*canna* **CANE**¹, -*bon*); sense 4 is corruption of obs. *carom* short for *carambole* (F, f. Sp. *carambola* etym. dub.); sense 5 = obs. *canion* f. Sp. *cañon* ornamental roll on breeches-legs (*canna* as above)]

cān¹ *on*², v.i. || Make a cannon at billiards (of player or ball); come into collision, strike obliquely, *against*, *into*, *with*. [f. prec.]

cānnonāde¹, n., & v.t. & f. Continuous gunfire; (vb) fire continuously; bombard, fire fast at. [**CANNON**¹ + *-ADE*]

cannot. See **CAN**².

cān¹ *n*¹, a. Shrewd, worldly-wise; natural, safe to meddle with, (esp. w. neg.); thrifty; gentle, quiet, circumspect, (*ca*¹ ~*n*, Sc. for *drive* or *go gently*, as name for trade-union policy of limiting output); sly, pawky. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [Sc. wd (w. senses differing f. above) f. **CAN**² know + *-Y*¹]

canoe¹ (-ōb), n., & v.i. (Go in, paddle) boat propelled with paddle(s). Hence **canoe**¹ *ist*(3) (-nōb-) n. [f. Sp. & Haytian *canoa*]

cān¹ *on*, n. Church decree; ~law, eccl. law; general law governing treatment of a subject; criterion; list of Bible books accepted by Church; part of Mass containing words of consecration; (Mus.) piece with different parts taking up same subject successively in strict imitation; (Typ.) largest size of type with specific name; metal loop on bell for hanging it; member of cathedral CHAPTER, whence ~ry(2) n.; MINOR ~. [O.E. f. L f. Gk *kanōn* rule (*kanna* **CANE**); in last sense short for **CANONIC**, meaning (person) living (with others) according to rule]

cañon. See **CANYON**

canōn¹ *'ical*, a. & n., **canōn**¹ *'ic*, a. (arch.). Appointed by canon law (~ *hours*, for prayer, or for celebration of marriage, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; ~ *dress*, of clergy, also ~s as n. pl.); included in canon of Scripture; *C* ~ *Epistles*, the seven of Peter, James, John, Jude; authoritative, standard, accepted; (Mus.) in canon form: of a cathedral chapter or a member of it. Hence **canōn**¹ *'ically*² adv. [f. med. L *canonicus* f. *canonicus* (**CANON**, -*io* + *-AL*)]

canōn¹ *'icate*, n. = **CANONRY**. [f. med. L *canonicatus* (as prec., -*ATE*¹)]

canōn¹ *'city*, n. Status as canonical book. [f. *canonicus* **CANONICAL**, -*TY*]

cān'on|ist, n. Canon-lawyer. Hence ~is'tic(al) aa. [f. F *canoniste* (CANON, -IST)]
cān'oniz|e, v.t. Admit formally to calendar of saints; regard as a saint; recognize (book) as canonical; sanction by church authority. So ~ATION n. [f. med. L *canonizare* (CANON, -IZE)]

***cānōō'dle**, v.i. & t. (sl.). Cuddle, fondle. [?]

Canōp'ic, a. Of *Canopus*, town of ancient Egypt; ~ *jar*, vase, urn used for holding the entrails of an embalmed body in ancient Egyptian burial. [f. L *Canopicus*]

cān'op'y, n., & v.t. Covering suspended or hold over throne, bed, person, etc. (also fig. of any overhanging shelter, sky, etc.); (Archit.) roof-like projection over niche etc.; (vb) supply, be, such a covering to. [f. F *canapé* (now) couch f. med. L *canopeum* f. Gk *kānōpeion* mosquito-net (*kānōps* gnat)]

canōr'ous, a. Melodious, resonant. [f. L *canorus* (*canor* song f. *canere* sing) + -OUS]

cānt', n. Bevel, oblique face, of crystal, bank, etc.; push, toss, movement, that partly or quite upsets; tilted or sideways position; ~board, sloping board. [cf. Du. *kant*, OF *cant*, It. *canto*, corner, edge, etc., perh. f. L f. Gk *kānthos* corner of eye]

cānt', v.t. & i. (Trans.) bevel off; tilt; turn over, turn upside down; push, pitch, sideways; (v.i.) take inclined position; lie askant; (Naut.) swing round; ~hook, iron hook at end of long handle, used for rolling logs. [f. prec.]

cānt', n. & a., & v.i. 1. Peculiar language of class, profession, sect, etc., jargon; temporary catchwords (esp. as adj., ~phrase etc.); words used for fashion without being meant, unreal use of words implying piety; hypocrisy. 2. v.i. Use talk of these kinds; (Her.) ~ing arms, heraldry, coat, containing allusion to name of bearer; hence ~ER¹ n. [earlier of musical sound, of intonation, & of beggars' whining, perh. f. singing of religious mendicants; prob. f. L *cantus* song, *cantare* frequent. of *canere* sing]

can't (kahnt). See CAN².

Cān'rāb, n., **Cāntabri'gian**, n. & a. (Member) of Cambridge University. [f. L *Canabrigia* Cambridge + -AN]

cān'taloup (-ōp), n. Kind of melon. [F, f. It. *Cantalupo* in Italy]

cāntānk'erous, a. Cross-grained, quarrelsome. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [perh. f. ME *contak* contention on anal. of *traitorous*, *rancorous*]

cānta'ta (-tah-), n. (mus.). Choral work, kind of short oratorio, or lyric drama set to music but not acted; (formerly) elaborate vocal solo. [It. (*cantare* sing, -ata -ADB)]

Cānta'te (-ah'tè), n. Psalm xcviij (O sing—) as a canticle. [L, = sing ye]

cāntatū'ce (-š'chā, -s'), n. Professional woman singer. [It. & F]

cānteen', n. || Provision & liquor shop in camp or barracks (*dry*, *wet*, ~, without, chiefly for, liquor); box of cooking-utensils for use in camp, soldier's mess-tin; soldier's water-vessel of tin, wood, etc.; bar, lunch-counter, etc. at outdoor entertainments & in large public & private institutions; case or chest of plate & cutlery for domestic use. [f. F *cantine* f. It. *cantina* cellar etym. dub.]

cān'ter, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Easy gallop (*win in a ~*, easily). 2. vb. Go at this pace (of horse or rider); make (horse) go thus. [short for *Canterbury pace*, *gallop*, *trot*, etc., f. easy pace of Canterbury pilgrims]

cān'terbur'y, n. Stand with partitions for music etc.

Cān'terbur'y Bēll, n. Kind of Campanula. [f. bells of Canterbury pilgrims' horses]

cānthā ridēs (-z), n. pl. (med.). Dried Spanish Fly. [L, pl. of L f. Gk *kāntharis* blister-fly]

cān'ticle, n. Little song, hymn; one of the Prayer-Book hymns, as the *Benedicite*, *Nunc Dimittis*, *Te Deum*; *Canticles*, Song of Solomon. [f. L *canticulum* dim. of *canticum* song (*cantus* song f. *canere* sing)]

cān'tilēver, n. Bracket (of length many times breadth & more than twice depth) projecting from wall to support balcony etc.; ~bridge, with piers each of which has two ~s, with long girders connecting ~s of adjacent piers. [prob. f. CAN¹ & LEVER]

cān'tle, n. || Piece, slice, cut off; hind-bow of saddle. [f. ONF *cantel* dim. of CAN¹]

cān'tō, n. (pl. -ōs). Division of long poem. [It., = song, as CAN¹]

cān'ton (also *kāntōn*), n. Subdivision of country; State of Swiss confederation; (Her.) square division less than a quarter in upper corner of shield. Hence ~AL a. [OF, = corner (CAN¹, -OON)]

cāntōn's (also -tōōn'), v.t. Divide into cantons (-tōn); (-tōōn) quarter (soldiers). [f. prec.]

cāntōn'ment (-ōōn-, -ōn-), n. Lodging assigned to troops (in India also permanent military station). [prec. + -MENT]

cāntōr'ial, a. Of the precentor, of N. side of choir (cf. DECANAL). [f. L as foll. + -AL]

cāntōr'ia, mus. direction. To be sung by cantorial side in antiphonal singing. [L, genit. of *cantor* precentor (*canere* cant-sing, -OR²)]

cān'trip, n. (Sc.). Witch's trick; piece of mischief, playful act. [?]

Canūck', n. & a. (sl.). French Canadian; *Canadian. [U.S. word]

cān'vas, n. Strong unbleached cloth of hemp or flax, for sails, tents, painting on; open kind used as basis for tapestry & embroidery; *under ~*, in tent(s), with sails spread; racing-boat's covered end; picture; ~back, N.-Amer. duck (f. colour

of back feathers). [ME & ONF *canvass* f. LL ⁺*canabaceus* (L f. Gk *kannabis* hemp, -ACOUS)]

cán'vass, v.t. & i., & n. Discuss thoroughly; solicit votes, solicit votes from (constituency), ascertain sentiments of, ask custom of, whence ~ER¹ n.; (n.) ~ing for votes. [f. prec., orig. sense being toss in a sheet, & so shake up, agitate, etc.]

cán'yon, cañon (kán'yon), n. Deep gorge with stream. [f. Sp. *cañon* tube (*caña* f. L *canna* CANE¹)]

cánzonet', n. Short light song; kind of madrigal. [f. It. *canzonetta* (*canzone* f. L *cantionem* f. *canere* sing)]

caoutchouc (kowch'ók), n. & a. (Of) unvulcanized rubber. [F, f. Carib. *cahuchu*]

cáp', n. Head-dress (woman's, esp. of muslin etc. worn indoors, but also now, like man's or boy's, for out-door use, brimless & of cloth or soft material; ~ *in hand*, humbly; ~ *sits*, person feels that general remark is true of him; *set* one's ~ *at*, try to attract as suitor; special head-dress (*college* or *square* ~; *steel* ~, *helmet*; *Scotch* ~, part of Highland costume; *football* ~, of velvet etc., || sign of inclusion in team; ~ of MAINTENANCE; ~ of *liberty*, conical, given to Roman slave on emancipation, now Republican symbol; ~ & *bells*, jester's insignia; *fool's* ~); caplike covering, natural (mushroom top, *knee*~, etc.), or added for various purposes (windmill top, *toe*~, inner watch-case; *percussion* ~, for igniting explosive in cartridges etc.); (Naut.) doubly pierced block for lengthening mast by extra spar; conical paper bag, cornet; (Fox-hunting etc.) recognized payment by non-subscriber for day's hunting (collected in ~), whence ~P'ER¹ n., the authorized collector; ~*paper*, whity-brown for packing, also a size of writing-paper; ~*stone*, top stone, coping. [OE *cæppe* f. LL *cappa*, the Rom. forms of which meant *cloak*, *cape*, *cope*; *cape*, *cope*, are separate E adoptions of the same wd through Rom. or in its med. L form *capa*]

cáp', v.t. & i. (-pp-). Put cap upon; (So. Univ.) confer degree on; put percussion cap on nipple of (gun); protect (end of beam etc.) with metal etc., whence ~P'ING¹ (S) n.; lie on top of, crown; award (a player) his cap (for football etc.); outdo (~ *anecdote*, *quotation*, etc., produce a better or another apposite one; ~ *verses*, reply with one beginning with the last's last letter); touch or take off one's hat to (also intr. with *to*); injure at point (*horse* ~ *s its hocks*). [f. prec.]

cápabil'it'y, n. Power of (action etc., acting etc.), for (being done something to), & (do something); undeveloped faculty (*has* ~ies). [foll., -ILITY]

cáp'able, a. Susceptible (of, or abe.); having the power or fitness for (of); wicked enough for (of); gifted, able.

Hence ~LY¹ adv. [F, f. LL *capabilis* irreg. for *capibilis* (L *capere* hold, -BLE); earlier sense *having room* (for)]

cápá'cious (-shus), a. Roomy. Hence ~NESS n. [L *capax* (*capere* hold), -ACIOUS]

cápá'citate, v.t. Render capable (for, to do); make legally competent. [foll., -ATE¹]

cápá'city, n. Holding-power, receiving-power, (for happiness, heat, moisture; filled to ~, quite full; ~ *house*, packed theatre etc.); cubic content (*measure* of ~, for vessels & liquids, grain, etc.); mental power, faculty; capability, opportunity, to do, of doing, etc. (rare); position, relative character, (*in a civil* ~; *in my* ~ *as critic*); legal competency; (Electr.) power of an apparatus to store static electricity. [f. F *capacité* f. L *capacitatem* (CAPACIOUS, -TY)]

cáp-à-pie' (-apè), adv. From head to foot, (armed, ready, etc.). [f. OF *cap a pie*]

cápá'rison, n. (often pl.), & v.t. Horse's trappings; equipment, outfit; (vb) put ~ upon. [f. F *caparasson* (now -acon) f. Sp. *caparazon* f. med. L *caparo* (*capa* CAPE¹)]

cåpe', n. Short sleeveless cloak, either as separate garment or as fixed or detachable part of longer cloak or coat. Hence **cåped'** (-pl) a. [F, f. Sp. *capa* or It. *cappa*; see CAP¹]

cåpe', C-, n. & a. Headland, promontory; the C-, of Good Hope, also = C~ Colony (C~ *boy*, S-African of mixed black & white descent), & as adj. of its products (C~ *wine* etc.; C~ *doctor*, strong S-E. wind peculiar to S. Africa; C~ *gooseberry*, kind of winter cherry; C~ *smoke*, S-African brandy). [f. F *cap* f. Rom. *capo* f. L *caput* head]

cåp'(e)lin, n. Small smelt-like fish used as cod-bait. [F *cap(e)lan*]

cåp'er', n. Bramble-like S-European shrub; (pl.) its flower-buds pickled (esp. ~ *sauce*); *English* ~s, seed vessels of Nasturtium pickled. [ME *caperts*, *caperes*, (sing.) f. L f. Gk *kapparis*; ~s lost as though pl. sign of FEA, MACE]

cåp'er', n., & v.i. (Give a) frisky movement, leap; fantastic proceeding; *cut a* ~, ~s, = ~ vb. [short for CAPRIOLE]

cåpercaill'ie, -l'zie (-lyl, -lzl), n. Wood-grouse, largest European gallinaceous bird (Scotland etc.). [f. Gael. *capull coille* horse of the wood]

cåp'erer, n. In vbl senses; esp. caddis-fly (from its flight). [CAPER¹, -ER¹]

cåp'ful (-ðbl), n. Enough to fill a cap; esp., ~ of wind, passing gust. [-FUL (2)]

cåp'id's, n. Writ of arrest. [L, = take thou]

cåpillá'rity, n. (Power of exerting) capillary attraction or repulsion. [f. F *capillarité* see foll., -TY]

cåpill'ary (also kåp'), a. & n. Of hair; hair-like, thin as a hair; (tube, blood-

vessel) of minute or hair-like diameter (e.g. one of ramified blood-vessels intervening between arteries & veins); so ~ **ATTRACTION, REPULSION**. [f. L *capillaris* (-ARY³) f. *capillus* hair]

cáp'ital', n. Head or cornice of pillar or column. [= L *capitellum* (cf. F *chapiteau*) dim. of *capitulum* dim. of *caput* head]

cáp'ital', a. & n. Involving loss of life, punishable by death, (~ *sentence, offence*); vitally injurious, fatal, (~ *error*); standing at the head (~ *letter*, also ~ as noun); chief (~ *manor*, held in capite or direct from king; ~ *message*, occupied by owner of estate with several messages; ~ *town or city*, or ~ as noun, head town of country, county, etc.); important, leading, first-class, (~ *ship*, battleship or battle cruiser); excellent, first-rate, (often as interj. of approval); original, principal, (~ *fund* or ~, stock with which company or person enters into business, accumulated wealth used in producing more, holders of this as a class, as C~ & Labour; *fixed* ~, machinery etc., *circulating* or *floating* ~, goods, money, etc.; so fig., *make ~ out of*, turn to account). Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *capitalis* (*caput* -itis head, -AL)]

cáp'italism, cáp'italist, (also káp't-), nn. Possession or influence or system, possessor, of capital or fund used in production, (mod., Pol.) dominance of private capitalists (opp. *socialism*). Hence **cáp'italis'tic a.** [prec., -ISM(3), -IST(3)]

cáp'italiz'e (also káp't-), v.t. Convert into, use as, capital; compute or realize present value of (income). Hence ~ATION n. [-IZ(3)]

cáp'itáte, -âtéd, aa. (nat. hist.). Having distinct head; with clustered flowers etc. [f. L *capitatus* headed (*caput* -itis, -AT²)]

cáp'itá'tion, n. (Levying of) tax or fee of so much a head; ~ *grant*, of so much for every person fulfilling conditions. [f. L *capitatio* poll-tax (*caput* -itis head, -ATION)]

Cáp'itol, n. Roman temple of Jupiter on Tarpelion hill (later ~ *ine hill* or ~ *ine*); * Congress or State legislature building. [f. L *capitolium* (*caput* head)]

capit'ular, a. Of a cathedral chapter; (Physiol.) of a terminal protuberance of bone. [f. med. L *capitularis* (L *capitulum* CHAPTER, -AR³)]

capit'uláry, n. Collection of ordinances, esp. of Frankish kings. [f. med. L *capitularius* (as prec., -ARY³)]

capit'ulá'te, v.i. Surrender on terms. [f. med. L *capitulare* draw up under heads (see CAPITULAR), -AT²]

capit'ulá'tion, n. Stating heads of subject; agreement, conditions, (esp. the C~s, by which foreign residents in Turkey had exterritoriality); surrender on terms, instrument containing these. [F, f. med. L *capitulationem* (prec., -ATION)]

cáp'on, n. Castrated cock. Hence ~-IN(3) v.t. [OE *capun* f. L *caponem*, nom. *capo*] **cáponier', n.** Covered passage across ditch of fort. [f. F *caponnière* f. Sp. *caponera* orig. a capon-oote (see prec.)]

cáp'oral' (-ah), n. A French tobacco. [F] **cáp'ót', n., & v.t. (-tt-).** (In piquet) winning of all tricks by one player; (vb) do this against (opponent). [F]

capôte', n. Soldier's, traveller's, etc., long cloak with hood. [F, dim. of *cape* CAP²]

cáp'ric, a. (chem.). ~ *acid*, obtained from butter, coco-nut oil, etc. [f. L *caper* -pri goat + -io (from its goatlike smell)]

cáp'ric'cio (-échô), n. (mus.). Lively (usu. short) musical composition. [It., see foll.]

caprice' (-és), n. Unaccountable change of mind or conduct, fancy, freak; inclination to these; work of sportive fancy in art etc. [F, f. It. *capriccio* sudden start (*capro* goat f. L *caper* -pri)]

capri'cious (-shus), a. Guided by whim, inconstant, irregular, incalculable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *capricieux* f. It. *capriccioso* (prec., -OUS)]

Cáp'ricôrn, n. Zodiacal constellation Goat; tenth sign of zodiac; **TEORIO** of ~. [f. L *capricornus* (*caper* -pri goat, *cornu* horn)]

cáp'rificá'tion, n. Hastening of ripeness in figs by subjecting them to puncture by wild-flg gall-insects. [f. L *caprificatio* f. *caprificus* wild flg (*caper* goat, *ficus* fig, -ATION)]

cáp'rine, a. Of, like, a goat. [f. L *caprinus* (*caper* -pri, -IN²)]

cáp'riôle, n., & v.i. (Give a) leap, caper, esp. (in manege) horse's high leap & kick without advancing. [F (now *cab*), or f. It. *capriola* dim. of L *capra* she-goat]

caprô'ic, a. (chem.). ~ *acid*, found with capric & butyric acids in butter etc. [var. of CAPRIC for differentiation]

Cápe, abbr. of capitals (capital letters) in direction to printers etc.

cáp'sicum, n. Kinds of plant with hot capsules & seeds, Guinea Pepper etc.; the prepared fruit. [Irreg. prob. f. L *capsa* CAP²]

cápeiz'e', n., & v.t. & i. Upset, overturn, (of ship, boat). Hence ~AL(2) a. [perh. f. Sp. *cabesar* pitch or *capusar* sink by the head (*cabo* f. L *caput* head)]

cáp'stan, n. Revolving barrel, worked by men walking round & pushing horizontal levers, or by steam etc., for winding cable in, hoisting heavy sails, etc. [f. F or Pr. *cabestan* f. L *capistrare* (*capistrum* halter f. *capere* hold), -ANT]

cáp'stúle, n. (Physiol.) membranous envelope; (Bot.) dry seed-case opening when ripe by parting of valves; (Chem.) shallow saucer for evaporating etc.; (Med.) gelatine envelope enclosing dose; metallic top for bottle. Hence ~AL², ~-FORM, aa., ~i- comb. form. [F, f. L *capsula* (CAP², -UL²)]

căp'tain¹ (-tîn), *n.* Chief, leader; great soldier, strategist, experienced commander; (Army) officer of rank next below major & above lieutenant, normally commanding a company or troop; (Navy) officer commanding man-of-war (also used, by courtesy, of commander); *C- of the Fleet*, adjutant-general of a force, with rear-admiral's uniform; chief sailor of special gang (~ of fore-castle etc.); Master of merchant ship; manager of Cornish mine; foreman; || head boy (or girl) at school; leader of side in games; = Grey Gurnard; ~'s *biscuit*, partly fermented ship's biscuit of superior quality. Hence ~CY, ~SHIP, nn., ~LESS a., (-tîn-). [ME & OF *captain* f. LL *capitaneus* (a. & n.) chief (L *caput* head)]

căp'tain² (-tîn), *v.t.* Be captain of, lead. [f. prec.]

căptă'tion, *n.* Use of *ad captandum* arguments or appeals. [f. L *captatio* (*captare* catch at, frequent. of *capere* take, -ATION)]

căp'tion, *n.* || Legal arrest; (Law) certificate attached to or written on document; heading of chapter, article, etc. [f. L *captio* (*capere* take, -TION); last meaning f. second]

căp'tious (-shus), *a.* Fallacious, sophistical; fond of taking exception, trying to catch people in their words. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS *n.* [f. L *captiosus* (proc., -OSUS)]

căp'tiv/âte, *v.t.* Fascinate, charm. Hence ~A'TION *n.* [f. L *captivare* take CAPTIVE, -ATE³]

căp'tive, *a. & n.* (Person, animal) taken prisoner, kept in confinement, under restraint, unable to escape; of, like, prisoner (~ state); *lead, take, hold, ~*; ~ *balloon*, held by rope from ground. So **căptiv/ity** *n.* [f. F *captif* f. L *captivus* (*capere* capt- take, -IVE)]

căp'tor, *n.*, **căp'tress**, *n.* fem. One who takes a captive or prize. [-or L (as prec., -OR²); & see -ESS¹]

căp'tur/e, *n.*, & *v.t.* Seizing, taking possession of; thing or person seized; (*v.t.*) take prisoner, seize as prize; hence ~EE¹ *n.* [F, f. L *captura* as prec., -URE]

Căp'uchin, *n. & a.* Franciscan (friar) of new rule of 1528; woman's cloak & hood; ~ *monkey, pigeon*, kinds with head hair or feathers like owl. [F (now -cin), f. It. *capuccino* (*capuccio* owl f. *cappa* CAP¹)]

căp'tet môr'tuăm, *n.* Worthless residuum. [L, = dead head; alch. term for residuum of any substance after distillation or sublimation]

căp'ybâr'a, *n.* Large S.-Amer. rodent allied to guinea-pig. [Brazilian]

căr, *n.* Wheeled vehicle (chiefly poet. = chariot; ~ of the sun, triumphal ~, ~ of Juggernaut, etc.; or with specification as *motor-car* ~, *motor* ~, *tramway* ~, *zitting* ~; in U.S. of any railway carriage or van; in Engl. also of motor-car, of low two-

wheeled truck for hogheads etc., & of other low heavy carts); pendant of airship or balloon holding passengers; ~ *man*, driver of van or jaunting ~, carter, carrier. Hence ~FUI(2) *n.* [ME & ONF *carre* f. LL *carra* cf. L *carrus* four-wheeled vehicle f. Bret. *karr* cf. OW *carr*]

cărăbineer¹, **cărb-**, *n.* Soldier with carbine; *The C-s*, 6th Dragon Guards. [f. F *carabinier* (CARBINE, -IER)]

că'racâl, *n.* Kind of lynx. [F, f. Turk. *qarah-qulaq* black-ear]

că'racôle, -ôl, *n.*, & *v.i.* (Excerpt) half-turn(s) to right or left (of horse or rider). [f. F *caracol(e)* f. It. *caracollo* f. Sp. *caracol* snail, spiral shell]

că'racul (-ôol), *n.* Kind of astrakhan fur; cloth imitating this. [Russ.]

carafe¹ (-ahf), *n.* Glass water-bottle for table. [F, cf. It. *caraffa*, Sp. *garrafa* perh. f. Arab. *gharafa* draw water]

că'ramêl, *n.* Burnt sugar used for colouring spirits etc.; a sweetmeat; the colour of ~, a light brown. [F, f. Sp. *caramelo*]

că'rapăce, *n.* Upper shell of tortoise & crustaceans. [F, f. Sp. *carapacho* etym. dub.]

că'rat, *n.* Measure of weight for precious stones, about 3½ grains; measure of purity of gold, pure gold being 24 ~. [F, f. It. *carato* f. Arab. *qirat* perh. f. Gk *keration* fruit of carob tree (dim. of *keras* horn)]

cărăvân¹ (or *kâd*), *n.* Eastern or N.-African company of merchants, pilgrims, etc., travelling together for safety, esp. through desert; covered cart or carriage, house on wheels (esp. of menagerie etc.). [16th-c. *carouan* f. Pers. *karvan*, perh. assim. to F *caravane*]

cărăvân'serai (-rî), -sera, -sarî, *n.* Eastern quadrangular inn with great inner court where caravans put up. [f. Pers. *karavansarai* (prec., *sara* mansion)]

că'rael, **cărv'el**, *n.* (hist.). Small light fast ship, chiefly Spanish & Portuguese of 15th-17th cc. [f. F *caravelle* f. It. *caravella*; cf. LL f. Gk *karabos*]

că'raway (a-w), *n.* Umbelliferous plant with fruit (~ seeds) used in cakes. [f. med. L *carui* cf. Arab. *al-karawiya* & Gk *karon* cummin]

cărb-, **cărb-**, comb. forms of CARBON. Hence **cărb'ide** *n.* (often for calcium carbide used in making acetylene gas).

cărb'ine, **că'ra-**, *n.* Short fire-arm for cavalry use. [F (*cara-*) weapon of carabin soldier perh. f. *Calabria* perh. f. med. L *chadabula* kind of ballista (Gk *katabolê* overthrow)]

cărb'o-hyd'rate, *n.* (chem.). Organic compound of carbon with oxygen & hydrogen in the proportion to form water (starch, sugar, glucose).

cărbôl'ic, *a.* (chem.). ~ *acid*, powerful antiseptic & disinfectant. Hence **cărb'e-lize**(5) *v.t.* [CARB-, -OL-, -IO]

carb'ón, n. (chem.). Non-metallic element occurring as diamond, graphite, & charcoal, in carbonic acid gas, the carbonates, & all organic compounds; (Electr.) charcoal pencil used in one form of electric lighting; ~ *printing, process*, producing permanent prints in various colours; ~ *paper*, for taking copies of letters etc. Hence ~ *ATE*'(3) n. [f. *carbóne* f. L *carbonem* nom. -o charcoal]

carbóná'ceous (-shus), a. Of, like, coal or charcoal; consisting of or containing carbon. [as prec., -ACEOUS]

carbónár'i (-rē), n. Neapolitan secret society of republican revolutionists. [perh. f. disguising themselves as charcoal-burners]

carb'ónáte, v.t. (chem.). Form into a carbonate; impregnate with carbonic acid gas, acetate. [f. *carbonate* n. see CARBON, -ATE³]

carbón'ic, a. (chem.). Of carbon; ~ *acid (gas)*, the gas formed in combustion of carbon, given out in breathing, & constituting choke-damp. [-ic]

carbónif'erous, a. Producing coal; (Geol.) ~ *strata, system, formation*, palaeozoic next above Old Red Sandstone; ~ *age, era, period*, in which these strata were deposited. [CARBON, -I-, -FEROUS]

carb'onize, v.t. Convert into carbon; reduce to charcoal or coke; cover (paper) with carbon for taking copies. Hence ~ *'TION* n. [-IZE(3, 5)]

carbörün'dum, n. Compound of carbon and silicon used for polishing by abrasion. [P; CARBON + CORUNDUM]

carb'oy, n. Large globular glass bottle usually protected with a frame. [f. Pers. *qarabah*]

carb'ünc|e, n. Red precious stone (formerly of many kinds, e.g. ruby; now garnet cut in boss shape); malignant tumour, anthrax, pimple on nose or face, whence ~ *ED*³ (-id), **carb'ünc'ülar**¹, aa. [ME & OF *charbucle* f. L *carbunculus* small coal (CARBON, -UNCLE)]

carbürét', v.t. (-tt-). Combine (any element) chemically with carbon; charge with carbon. Hence ~ *'OR*³ (2) or ~ *'ER*¹ (2) n. apparatus mixing air with petrol vapour for combustion in motor engines. [CARBON, -URET]

carb'ass, -ase, n. Dead body (of human body now only with contempt); (with butchers) beast's trunk without head, limbs, or offal; mere body, dead or alive (to save one's ~), worthless remains (of); skeleton, framework, (of house, ship, etc.); (Mil.) kind of fire-ball from gun for igniting buildings. [partly f. OF *charcois* f. med. L *carcassium*, partly f. 16th-c. F *carcasse* f. It. *carcassa*; etym. and mutual relations of *carcassium*, *carcassa*, doubtful]

carb'inóm'a, n. (pl. -ata). (med.). (A form of) cancer. [L, f. Gk *karkinōma* ulcer f. *karkinos* crab]

card¹, n., & v.t. (Cleanse, comb, get in order, also scratch or torture, with toothed instrument, wire-brush, or wire set rubber or vulcanite strip, for raising nap on cloth or preparing wool, hemp, etc.; ~ *thistle*, tease; ~ *ing-machine*, with card-strips fixed on rollers. [f. F *carde* tease-head ult. f. L *carduus* thistle])

card², n. (Also *playing-~*) one of pack of 52 oblong pieces of pasteboard used in games (COURT¹~; make a ~, take trick with it; house of ~s, insecure scheme etc.; ~s, card-playing; sure, safe, doubtful, etc., ~, such a plan, expedient; knowing, queer, ~, such a person; throw up, show, one's ~s, give up, let out, one's plan; ~ up one's sleeve, plan in reserve; on the ~s, likely, possible); flat piece of thick paper or pasteboard for various purposes (speak by the ~, with precision, f. obs. use = mariner's compass; || POST~; correspondence~ for, short notes; = ticket of admission; = invitation; ~ or visiting~, with name etc., sent or left in lieu of formal visit, so leave a ~ on; wedding, Christmas, etc., ~, sent in notification or compliment to friends; collecting~, for entering subscribers to charities; programme of events at race-meetings etc., or of cricket scores, esp. correct ~; the ~, the correct thing, what is expected; printed or written notice, rules, etc., for hanging in window or on wall; ~case, for carrying visiting~s; ~basket, rack, for keeping visitors' ~s; ~board, pasteboard for cutting ~s from or making boxes etc.; ~index (in which each item is entered on separate ~); ~index (v.t.), make a ~index of; ~sharper, swindler at ~games; || ~vote (of delegates each counting for the number of his constituents). [f. F *carte* f. It. *carta* (cf. *charte* direct) f. L *charta* f. Gk *khartēs* papyrus-leaf; -d for -te unexplained]

card'amom, n. Spice from seed-capsules of E.-Ind. plants. [f. L f. Gk *kardamōmon* (kardamon oress, amōmon a spice plant)]

card'an, a. (engineering). ~ *joint*, UNIVERSAL joint; ~ *shaft* (with universal joint at one or both ends). [f. G. *Cardano*, Italian mathematician (d. 1576)]

card'iác, a. & n. Of the heart (esp. path., as ~ *symptoms*, of heart-disease); of upper orifice of stomach; (n.) heart-stimulant, cordial. [f. F (-aque) f. L f. Gk *kardiakos* (kardia heart, -ac)]

card'igan, n. Knitted woollen over-waistcoat with or without sleeves. [named after Earl of C~ c. 1855]

card'inal, C-, a. & n. On which something hinges, fundamental, important, (~ *virtues*, the four natural & three theological, see VIRTUE; ~ *numbers*, the simple ones, as one, six, cf. ORDINAL; ~ *points* (of compass), North, S., E., W.; ~ *church*, hist., one of principal churches in Rome,

which others were subordinate, whence
 / noun, orig. person in charge of one
 / these, now one of seventy princes of
 / C. Ch., members of Pope's council of
 / ~ bishops, 50 ~ priests, & 14 ~ deacons,
 / & electors of new Pope, whence ~^{ATM},
 / ~^{SMR}, nn.; also prefixed to other titles,
 / as C~^{Legate}, whence ~^{LY} adv.; of
 / deep scarlet; woman's short hooded
 / (orig. scarlet) cloak; small scarlet bird;
 / (Zool.) of the hinge of a bivalve; ~
 / flower, Scarlet Lobelia. [F, f. L. *cardinalis*
 / *cardo* -inis hinge, -AL; sense scarlet f.
 / Cardinal's robes]

cardio-, comb. form of Gk *kardia* heart.
cardoon, n. Composite kitchen-garden
 plant allied to artichoke. [f. F *cardon* f.
 It. *cardone* (*cardo* f. L. *cardus*, *carduus*
 thistle, -OON)]

cāre¹, n. Solitude, anxiety; occasion
 for these; serious attention, heed, caution,
 pains, (*take, have* a, ~, be cautious);
 charge, protection, (A, c/o or ~ of B, in
 addresses; *have the, take, ~ of; in, under,*
 one's ~); thing to be done or seen to (~^s
 of State etc.; *that shall be my ~*); ~laden,
 ~worn, with anxieties; ~-taker, person
 hired to take charge, esp. of house in
 owner's absence. [OE *caru*, com.-Teut.
 f. OTeut. *kard-*; not related to L *cura*]

cāre², v.i. Feel concern or interest for
 or about; provide food, attendance, etc., for
 (children, invalids, etc.); (w. neg. ex-
 pressed or implied) feel regard, deference,
 affection, for, be concerned *whether* etc.,
 (often with expletive *a pin, a damn, a*
farthing; I don't ~ if I do, am willing);
 be willing or wishful (*to should not ~ to be*
seen with him; do you ~ to try them?). [OE
carian f. prec.]

careen¹, v.t. & i. Turn (ship) on one side
 for cleaning, caulking, etc.; (cause to)
 heel over. [ult. f. L. *carina* keel]

careen² age, n. Careening a ship; expense
 of it; place for it. [-AGE]

career, n. & v.i. 1. Swift course, im-
 petus, (*in full, mid*, etc., ~); course or
 progress through life; development &
 success of party, principle, nation, etc.;
 way of making a livelihood; her
 ~^{IST} (3) n., one intent mainly on personal
 advancement & success in life. 2. v.i.
 Go swiftly or wildly (often about). [f. F
carrière race-course f. LL *carriaria* (via)
 carriage-road f. L *carrus* CAR¹]

careful (-fəl), a. Concerned for, taking
 care of; painstaking, watchful, cautious,
 (to do, *that, what, whether*, etc.); done with
 or showing care. Hence ~^{LY} adv., ~NESS
 n. [-FUL]

careless (-lēs), a. Unconcerned, light-
 hearted; inattentive, negligent (of),
 thoughtless; inaccurate. Hence ~^{LY}
 adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

carries, n., & v.t. 1. Fondling touch, kiss;
 blandishment. 2. v.t. Bestow these on;
 pet, make much of; hence ~^{ingly} adv.

[f. F *carresser* f. It. *carezza* (re) f. LL
²*caritia* (L *carus* dear)]

cā'rēt, n. Mark (Λ) placed below line to
 show place of omission. [L, = it needs
 (*carere*)]

cārg¹, n. (pl. ~es). Freight of ship. [Sp.,
 = loading f. med. L *caricum* f. LL
caricare to load (L *carus* CAR¹)]

Cā'rib, n. & a. (One) of aboriginal in-
 habitants of Southern W.-Ind. islands.
 So ~bē'an a. [f. Sp. *Caribe* cf. CANNIBAL]
cāribou¹ (-ōb), ~bōō, n. N.-Amer. rein-
 deer. [-ou Canad. F, prob. f. native wd]

cāricatūr¹ (e'), n., & v.t. Grotesque repre-
 sentation of person or thing by over-
 emphasis on characteristic traits (pic-
 torial, literary, or mimetic); hence ~¹
 ~^{IST} (1) n.; (v.t.) make, give, a ~ of;
 hence ~²ABLE a. [F, f. It. *caricatura*
 (*caricare* to load see CAR², -URE)]

cār'les (-z), n. Decay (of bones or teeth).
 [L]

cār'illon (-lyon), n. Set of bells sounded
 either from keyboard or mechanically;
 air played on bells; instrument (or part
 of organ) imitating peal of bells. [F, f.
 med. L *quadrillionem* nom. -o quaternary
 (formerly four bells)]

carin¹ [a, n. (zool. & bot.). Ridge-shaped
 structure. Hence ~AL, cā'rinatē, aa.,
 ~O- comb. form. [L, = keel]

cār'ious, a. Decayed (esp. of bones,
 teeth). [f. L *cariosus* (CAR², -OS¹)]

cār'ing, a. Burdensome (alw. with *care*).
 [f. obs. vb *car* k. ONF *carlier* f. LL *carri-*
care (CARGO)]

|| **cār'l** (e), n. (Sc.). Man, fellow. [OE in
 comb. as *hūs-carl* f. ON *karl* cogn. w.
 GERM]

|| **cār'l'ine**¹, n. (Sc.). Old woman. [ME &
 ON *kerling* fem. of prec.]

cār'l'ine², n. Genus of composite plants
 allied to thistle. [F, f. med. L *carlina* for
Carolina named f. *Carolus* Charlemagne]
Cār'l'ism, Cār'l'ist, nn. Spanish legiti-
 mism, legitimist, support(er) of Don
 Carlos second son of Charles IV. [-ISM(3),
 -IST(2)]

Cār'l'ovin'gian, Cār'l'oin'gian, (-j-), a. & n.
 (One) of second French dynasty founded
 by Charlemagne. [f. F *carlovingien* after
merovingien MEROVINGIAN]

Cār'l'owitz (-o-w-), n. A red wine of
 ~ on the Danube. [place]

Cār'l'ton Club, n. The chief Conservative
 club in England.

Cār'l'yl'ism, n. Principles, literary man-
 ner, a mannerism, of Carlyle. So ~²AN,
 ~IAN, aa., ~ESE¹ a. & n. [Thomas *Carlyle*
 1795-1881; -ISM(3, 4)]

Cār'm'agnole (-anyōl), n. Song & dance
 among French revolutionists of 1793. [F]

Cār'm'elite, n. & a. (Member) of mendi-
 cant order of friars (also *White Friars* f.
 their white cloak); fine woollen stuff, usu.
 grey. [Mt *Carmel*, place of foundation
 (12th c.), -ITE(2)]

carmin'ative, a. & n. (Drug) curing flatulence. [f. L. *carminare* card. -IVN, gross humours being combed out like tangled wool]

carmin'ine, n. & a. (Coloured like, colour of) crimson pigment made from cochineal. [f. F or Sp. *carmin* f. med. L. *carminis* for *carmesinus* CRAMSON]

carmin'age, n. Great slaughter, esp. of men. [F, f. It. *carnaggio* f. LL *carnicum* (L. *caro* *carnis* flesh, -AGE)]

carmin'al, a. Sensual, fleshly; sexual; unsanctified, worldly. Hence ~ISM(2), **carmin'al'ity**, un., ~ISM(3) v.t., ~LY¹ adv. [f. L. *carnalis* (*caro* see prec., -AL)]

carmin'ation¹, n. & a. (Of) rosy pink colour. [orig. flesh-colour f. L. *carminatio* (*caro* see CARNAGE) fleshiness]

carmin'ation², n. Cultivated kinds of Clove-pink. [formerly also *incarnacyon*, *coronation*, *coronation*; perh. orig. *coronation* as indented like coronet, later confused w. the colour; for *corn*-, *carmin*-, cf. foll.]

carmin'ian, = CORNELIAN. [ca- by confusion w. L. (CARNATION)² as flesh-coloured]

carmin'ify, v.t. & i. (path.). Change (t. & i. of bone, lungs, etc.) to structure of flesh or muscle. Hence ~IFICATION n. [L. *caro* *carnis* flesh, -FY]

carmin'ival, n. Half-week or week before Lent; festivities usual during this in R.-C. countries; riotous revelry; reckless indulgence in something (of; ~ of bloodshed etc.). [f. It. *carnevale* orig. name for Shrove Tuesday only, f. L. phr. *carnem levare* put away meat]

carminiv'ora, n. Large order of flesh-eating mammalia, including cats, dogs, bears, etc. [L. neut. pl. see CARNIVOROUS]

carmin'ivore, n. Carnivorous animal or plant. [F, as foll.]

carminiv'orous, a. Feeding on flesh (esp. of the CARNIVORA, & of plants digesting animal substance). [f. L. *carnivorus* (*caro* *carnis* flesh, -VOROUS)]

|| **carmin'y**, -ey, v.t. (colloq.). Coax, wheedle. [?]

car'rob, n. Horn-like pod of Mediterranean ~-tree. [f. F *carobe* f. Arab. *kharrubah* bean-pod]

car'rol, n., & v.t. & i. (-ll-). 1. Joyous song, human or of birds, esp. Christmas hymn. 2. vb. Utter, celebrate with, these; hence ~LER¹ n. [obs. senses *dance*, *ring*; f. OF *carole(r)* perh. f. L. *choraula* f. Gk *choraulis* flute-player for chorus-dancing (*choros* chorus, *aulos* flute), or f. L. *corolla* ring]

Car'roline, a. Of Charlemagne; of the time of Charles I & II of England. [f. L. *Carolus* Charles + -INE¹]

Carolingian. See CARLOVINGIAN.

***car'rom**, n. Cannon at billiards. [see CANNON¹]

carot'id, a. & n. Of, near, the two great arteries carrying blood to head; (a.) one of these. [f. Gk *karditides* pl. (*karot*

stuefy, compression of these arteries being thought to do this)]

carousie' (-z), v.l., & n. (Have, engage in) a drinking-bout; drink deep. Hence ~AL(2) n. [orig. as adv. = right out, in phr. *drink ~ f. G gar aus trinken*]

carp¹, n. A fresh-water fish usu. bred in ponds. [f. OF *carpe* f. LL *carpa* cf. OHG *charpho*, G *karpfen*]

carp², v.l. Talk querulously, find fault, (usu. at); esp. ~ing tongue, criticism, captious. [obs. senses *talk*, *say*, *sing*, prob. f. ON *karpa* to brag, but mod. sense influenced by L *carpere* pluck at, slander]

carp'al, a. Of the CARPUS. [CARPUS, -AL] **carp'el**, n. (bot.). Pistil-cell, whether pistil is one cell or several. Hence ~IARY¹ a. [mod. dim. f. Gk *karpas* fruit, see -LE (2)]

carp'enter, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Artificer in wood-work (esp. of rough solid kinds as in ship or house building, cf. JOINER, CABINET-maker; the ~s son, Jesus); ~ant, ~ee, kinds boring into trees; ~scene, played before a painted scene (also ~scene) to give ~ time for preparing elaborate scene behind; so **carp'entry** (2, 5) n. 2. vb. Do, make by, ~s work. [f. ONF *carpentier* (now *ch-*) f. LL *carpentarius* (*carpentum* wagon f. Celt.)]

carp'et, n., & v.t. 1. Thick fabric, usu. woollen & patterned, for covering floor & stairs (at first of table-covering, whence on the ~, under discussion; & as floor-covering long a boudoir luxury, whence ~knight, stay-at-home soldier, ladies' man); on the ~, (also, colloq.) being reprimanded; smooth, soft, or bright expanse of grass, flowers, etc.; ~bed, garden bed with dwarf plants arranged in pattern; ~dance, informal; ~rods, keeping stair-~ in place; ~snake, variegated Australian kind; ~bag, travelling-bag, orig. made of ~; || ~bagger, candidate for election or political agitator unconnected with district; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Cover (as) with a carpet, whence ~ING¹ (3) n.; || summon (servant etc.) into the room for reprimand, reprove. [f. OF *carpite* or It. *carpita* p.p. of *carpire* f. L. *carpere* pluck, the fabric being perh. a patchwork; cf. F *charpie* lint]

carphöl'ogy, n. Delirious fumbling with bed-clothes etc. [f. Gk *karpologia* (*karpas* twig, *logos* pick, -Y¹)]

carpo⁻¹, comb. form of CARPUS.

carpo⁻², comb. form of Gk *karpas* fruit. Hence **carpöl'ogy** n.

carp'us, n. (anat.; pl. -pt). Part of skeleton that unites hand etc. to fore-arm, eight small bones in higher vertebrates (in man, wrist; in horse, knee). [f. Gk *karpas* wrist]

carrageen (kär'agen), n. An edible seaweed found in N. Europe, Irish moss. [f. *Carrageen* in Ireland]

cá'rriage (-rĭj), *n.* Conveying, transport; cost of conveying (~FREE; || ~forward, not prepaid); management (of enterprise etc.); passing (of Parl. motion etc.); manner of carrying (~ of head, body, etc.); bearing, deportment; wheeled vehicle for persons (*hackney, railway, ~*), esp. four-wheeled private vehicle with two (~ & pair) or more horses (~company, -folk, who keep these), whence ~FUL (-rĭj-f) (2) *n.*; wheeled support of gun (usu. *gun-~*); wheeled framework of vehicle apart from body; (Mech.) sliding etc. part of machinery for shifting position of other parts; ~candle (hard kind worked by spring in tube); ~clock (going in any position); ~dog, spotted Dalmatian; ~drive, road in parks etc. Hence ~LESS (-rĭj-l) *a.* [f. ONF *cariage* f. *carier* (CARRY, -AGE)]

cá'rriageable (-lĭ-a), *a.* Available for carriages (of road). [-ABLE]

cá'rrick bēnd, *n.* (naut.). Kind of knot or splice. [BEND¹; *carrick* perh. f. obs. *car-rack* armed merchant ship]

cá'rrier, *n.* In vbl senses; esp.: person undertaking for hire the conveyance of parcels (*common ~*, legal term including also railway and steamship companies etc.); part of bicycle etc. for carrying luggage; person or animal that without catching a disease conveys its germs; = *Bren ~*, *aircraft ~*, etc.; ~PIGEON; ~nation etc., conducting oversea trade for others. [CARRY + ER¹]

cá'rriole, *n.* Small open carriage for one; covered light cart; Canadian sledge. [f. F *carriole*, med. L *carriola* dim. of *carra* CAR¹]

cá'rrión, *n. & a.* Dead putrefying flesh; anything vile, garbage, filth; ~crow, between raven & rook, feeding on ~, small animals, etc.; (adj.) rotten, loathsome. [ME & ONF *carroine* perh. f. Rom. ¹*caronia* f. L *caro* *carnis* flesh]

cá'rroñade, *n.* (hist.). Short large-calibred ship's gun. [Carron orig. place of making + -ADE]

cá'rrot, *n.* (Plant with) tapering orange-coloured edible root; (pl., sl.) red hair, red-haired person, whence ~Y¹ *a.* [f. F *carotte* f. L *carota* f. Gk *karōton* perh. f. *kara* head]

cá'rry¹, *v.t. & i.* 1. Convey in vehicle, ship, hand, or head (as *news*), or on person (also of vehicle etc., or water, wind, etc., as subject; ~corn, from field to stack; *fetch & ~*, be underling; ~all before one, succeed; ~weight, be handicapped in horse-racing or fig.). 2. Conduct (*pipes ~ water, wires ~ sound; ~ into effect; ~ one back*, in fancy to earlier times; ~off to prison). 3. Transfer (figures to column of higher notation; ~conviction, implant one's own in other minds; ~over, forward, entries to new page or account). 4. Propel to specified distance (of gun etc.,

with obj. usu. omitted; also intr. = go of missile). 5. Cause or enable to go to (of motive, journey-money, etc.). 6. Bring to (of day's journey etc.). 7. Prolong, continue, to (~toward to 500 ft, modesty to excess). 8. Win (prize); ~it, the day, succeed; ~fortress etc., capture; ~hearers with one, persuade; win victory for (candidate); ~one's point, a motion, bill). 9. Wear, have with one, possess, involve, (arms, a watch, etc.; ~one's BAT²; ~weight, authority, be influential; ~with one, remember; loans ~interest, principles ~consequences). 10. Hold in a certain way (~one's head, body, oneself; ~sword etc., in saluting-position). 11. Endure weight of, support, (*ships ~ sail, piers ~ dome*). 12. ~away, inspire, transport, deprive of self-control. (Naut.) lose (mast etc.) by breakage; ~off, remove from life, win, render passable, ~it off well, make brave show; ~on, advance (process) a stage, continue, manage (business), (v.l.) go on with what one is doing, (colloq.) behave strangely, flirt or have amorous intrigue (with); ~out, put (principles, instructions, etc.) in practice; ~over (St. Exch.), keep over to next settling-day; ~through, bring safely out of difficulties, complete. [f. ONF *carier* f. LL *carriare* (L *carrus* CAR¹)]

cá'rry², *n.* (Mil.) the position of carrying sword; (Golf) ball's flight before pitching; portage between rivers etc.; range of gun etc.; ~over (St. Exch.), process of carrying or amount carried over. [prec.]

cart, *n., & v.t. & i.* 1. Strong two-wheeled vehicle (cf. wagon) used in farming & for heavy goods, (also *spring, mail, dog, ~*) light two-wheeled one-horse vehicle for driving in, (*put ~ before horse*, reverse order, take effect for cause); *in the ~* (sl.), in a fix, in an awkward or losing position; ~horse, thickset & fit for heavy work; ~ladder, rack at sides or ends for increasing capacity; ~load, =ful, also large quantity of anything; ~road, -way, too rough for carriages; ~wheel, wheel of ~, large coin as crown etc., lateral somersault of street urchins (*turn ~w.*); ~whip, long & heavy; ~wright, maker of ~s; hence ~AGE(4), ~ER¹, ~FUL(2) (-ōbl), *nn.* 2. vb. Carry in a ~; work with a ~ [prob. f. ON *kartr* cart cf. OE *craet* of doubtful meaning]

carte, *quarte* (kárĭ), *n.* Fencing position (~ & tierce, sword-play). [F (q-), f. It. *quarta* fourth]

carte blanche (see Ap.), *n.* Blank paper given to person to write his own terms on; full discretionary power. [F (CARD², BLANK)]

carte-de-visite (vizĭt'), *n.* Photograph 3½ in. x 2½. [F, = visiting card, its orig. purpose]

cartel, *n.* Written challenge to duel; (agreement for) exchange of prisoners;

(also *kartell*) manufacturers' union to control production, marketing arrangements, prices, etc. [F, f. It. *cartello* dim. of *carta* CARD¹]

Cartésian (-zhn), a. & n. (Follower) of Descartes or his philosophy or mathematical methods. Hence ~ism (-zian-) (3) n. [*Cartesius* mod. L name of René Descartes, 1596-1650, -AN]

Carthū'sian (-zhn), a. & n. (Member) of order of monks founded by St Bruno 1086; (member) of Charterhouse school founded on site of ~ monastery. [f. L *Cartusianus* f. *Chatrousse*, place of their first monastery]

cartilage, n. (Structure, part, in vertebrates, of firm elastic tissue, gristle, (temporary ~, in the young, changing later to bone). So **cartilā'ginoid** a. [F, f. L *cartilago* -inis]

cartilā'ginous, a. Of, like, cartilage (~ *fish*, with ~ skeleton). [f. L (-osus, see prec., -OUS)]

cartōg'raphy, n. Map-drawing. So **cartōg'rapher** n., **cartograph'ical** aa. [f. F *carte* chart (CARD²) + -GRAPHY; the correct form f. Gk would have *ch-*]

cart'omāncy, n. Fortune-telling by playing-cards. [f. It. *carta* CARD¹, -MANCY]

cart'on, n. White disk within bull's-eye of target; cardboard box for holding goods or the cardboard used for these. [f. F as foll.]

cartoon, n., & v.t. & t. 1. Drawing on stout paper as design for painting, tapestry, mosaic, etc.; full-page (or large) illustration, esp. on politics in comic paper; hence ~ist(3) n.; *animated* ~, film made from a succession of drawings simulating a cinematographic film of living persons. 2. vb. Draw ~, represent (person etc.) in a ~. [f. F *carton* or It. *cartone* (carta CARD¹, -OON)]

cartouche (-tōsh), n. (Archit.) scroll ornament, e.g. volute of Ionic capital; tablet imitating, or drawing of, scroll with rolled-up ends, used ornamentally or bearing inscription; (Archaeol.) oval ring containing hieroglyphic names & titles of Egyptian kings etc. [F, f. It. *cartoccio* augmentative of *carta* CARD¹]

cart'ridge, n. Charge of explosive for fire-arms or blasting made up in case of paper, flannel, metal, etc. (small-arm ball ~, or ~, contains bullet also, *blank* ~ the explosive only); ~-belt, with sockets for ~s; ~-paper, thick & rough, used also for drawing & for strong envelopes. [corrupt of prec.]

cart'ulary, n. Collection of records; register. [f. med. L *c(h)artularium* f. L *cartula* dim. of *c(h)arta* CARD¹, -ARY¹]

car'uncle (also *karū*), n. Fleishy excrecence, as turkeycock's wattles. [f. 16th-c. F *caruncule* f. L *caruncula* (caro carnis flesh, -UNCLE)]

carve, v.t. & i. (p.p. -ed, aroh. -en). Out

(in gen. sense now only fig., as ~ one's way); produce by cutting (statue, portrait, representation in relief or intaglio, inscription, design, *out of*, *in*, or *on*, material), change by cutting (material into something), cover or adorn (material) with figures cut in it, cut designs etc., whence **carv'ing**² (2) n.; cut up meat, cut up (meat etc.), at or for table (*carving-knife*, long for this purpose); subdivide (usu. up); ~ *out*, take from larger whole, acquire esp. by the sword. [OE *ceorfan*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *kerven*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *graphō* write]

carv'el, = CARAVEL; ~-*bull*, with planks flush (of, OLINKER-BUILT).

carv'er, n. In vbl senses; also, carving-knife, (pl.) carving knife & fork. [-ER¹]

car'yāt'id, n. Female figure used as pillar. [f. L f. Gk *karuatis* -idos priestess at Caryae]

cāscāde, n., & v.t. (Fall like a) waterfall, or one section of large broken waterfall; wavy fall of lace etc. [F, f. It. *cascata* (cascare to fall for *cascare* f. L *cas-* see CASE¹)]

cāscāl'a sagra'da (-ahd-), n. Laxative drug from the bark of a tree. [Sp., = sacred bark]

case¹, n. 1. Instance of thing's occurring; actual state of affairs (*is*, *is not*, the ~, *is true*, *false*); position, circumstances, in which one is, plight, (*in good*, *evil*, ~, *well*, *badly*, *off*); (Med.) person's diseased condition; instance of any disease. 2. (Law) cause, suit, for trial; statement of facts in cause *sub judice*, drawn up for higher court's consideration (*Judge states a ~*); cause that has been decided & may be cited (*leading ~*, one often cited & governing subsequent decisions); sum of arguments on one side (*that is our ~*; *make out one's ~*, prove it); (fig.) ~ of conscience, matter in which conscience has to decide between conflicting principles. 3. (Gram.) form of noun, adj., or pronoun, in inflected languages expressing relation to some other word in sentence (in uninflected languages, this relation itself apart from form). 4. *In ~*, *if*, in the event that, lest; *in ~ of*, in the event of; *in the ~ of*, as regards (*in the ~ of Jones an exception was made*); *put (the) ~ that*, suppose; *in any ~*, whatever the fact is, whatever may happen; *in that ~*, if that is true, should happen; ~-*law*, law as settled by precedent. [ME & OF *cas* f. L *casus* -ūs fall (cadere *cas-* fall)]

case², n., & v.t. 1. Enclosure of something, box, bag, sheath, etc.; frame for plant-growing; glass box for showing specimens, curiosities, etc.; outer protective covering (of watch, sausage, seed-vessel, book, etc.); box with proper contents (*dressing-~*); (Print.) receptacle with compartments (upper ~, capitals, lower ~, small letters); ~-*bottle*, square for fitting

into ~ with others; ~*harden* v.t., harden surface of, esp. give steel surface to (iron) by carbonizing, (fig.) render callous; ~*knife*, worn in sheath; ~*shot*, or ~, bullets in tin box fired from cannon without fuse, also = *SERRAPNEL*; ~*worm*, = *CADDIS*. 2. v.t. Enclose in case, surround with, (also with up, over); hence *CAS'ING*¹ (8) n. [f. ONF *casse* (now *châsse*) f. L *capsa* (capere hold)]

CAS'Ein, n. Protein of milk, the basis of cheese. [L *caseus* cheese + *-IN*]

CASE'MAT(e) (-sm-), n. Vaulted chamber in thickness of wall of fortress, with embrasures; armoured enclosure for guns in warship. Hence ~*ED*¹ a. [F, f. It. *casematta* (casa house, perh. *matto* mad, also pseudo-)]

CASE'ment (-zm-, -sm-), n. Metal or wooden hinged frame with glass forming (part of) window (often ~*window*); (poet. etc.) window; ~*cloth*, cotton cloth used for curtains & as dress material etc. [f. med. L *casamentum*, or f. OASB¹ + *-MENT*]

CAS'eous, a. Of, like, cheese. [f. L *caseus* cheese + *-OUS*]

CASERN(e) (-z-), n. (Usu. pl.) small building(s) for troops between ramparts & houses of fortress. [F (-e), f. Sp. *caserna* (casa house)]

*CASH*¹, n. (no pl.), & v.t. 1. Ready money (in, out of, ~, having, not having, money; ~*down*, paid on the spot); || ~*on delivery* (abbr. O.O.D.), forwarding of goods against ~ to be paid to postman; (Banking etc.) specie, or specie & bank-notes; (Book-keeping) ~*account*, to which only ~ is carried, & from which all payments are made, ~*book*, for record of ~ received & paid; ~*payment*, in ready money; ~*price*, lowest, for ready money; ~*register*, mechanical till visibly recording amount of each purchase, totalling receipts, etc.; hence ~*LESS* a. 2. v.t. Give or obtain ~ for (note, cheque, etc.); ~*in* (colloq.), die, ~*in on*, realize profit on, (fig. use of poker phr.). [f. F *casse* (now *caisse*) box f. L *capsa* CASB¹]

*CASH*², n. (pl. *cash*). Kinds of E.-Ind. & Chinese small coin, esp. a former Chinese coin perforated for stringing = *tas* of tael. [ult. f. Tamil *kasu* a small coin by confusion with CASB¹]

CASH'ew (-o-), n. W.-Ind. etc. tree with kidney-shaped nut (~*nut*). [f. F *acajou* f. Braz. *acajoba*]

*CASHIER*¹, n. Person in charge of bank's or merchant's cash. [f. F *caissier* (CASB¹, -ma)]

*CASHIER*², v.t. Dismiss from service, depose; discard. [f. Flem. or Du. *casieren* cf. F *casser* f. L *quassare* (quodere quass-shake), with senses also of L *casare* annul (casus vain)]

CASH'mERE, n. (Also ~*shawl*) shawl of fine soft wool of Cashmere goat; the material; imitation of it. [place]

CAS'NÖ (-s-), n. (pl. -o-). Public music or dancing room; old card-game. [It., dim. of *casa* house f. L *casa* cottage]

CASK (-ah-), n. Wooden vessel (= *BARREL*¹); this & its contents; varying measure of capacity. [perh. f. F *casque* helmet]

CAS'két (-ah-), n. Small box, often of precious material & workmanship, for jewels, letters, cremated ashes, etc. [porh. dim. of prec. (-ET¹), but quoted from a century earlier]

CAS'lon (-z-), n. (typ.). ~*type*, old-face type cut in the foundry established by William ~ (d. 1766), or in imitation of this.

CASQUE (kask), n. (hist., poet.). Helmet. [F, f. Sp. *casco*]

CASSEAN'dra, n. Prophet of ill; unregarded prophet. [Trojan prophets fated to prophesy truly & be unbelieved]

CASSA'tion, n. Annulment; *Court of C-*, court of appeal (esp. of foreign countries). [f. LL *cassatio* (L *casare* CASHER², -ATION)]

CASSA'va (-sah-), n. W.-Ind. etc. plant with tuberous roots; its starch or flour, bread made from these. [f. Haytian *cassivi* etc.]

CASS'eröle, n. A heat-proof earthenware vessel in which meat etc. is cooked & served (en ~, so served). [F]

CASS'ia (also -sha-), n. Inferior kind of cinnamon; genus of plants yielding senna-leaves. [f. L f. Gk *kasia* f. Heb. *q'tsi'ah* (*galsa* 'cut off bark)']

CASS'ock, n. Long close tunic worn by some Anglican clergymen under gown or short surplice, or as ordinary attire. Hence ~*ED*¹ (-kt) a. [f. F *casaque* etym. dub., perh. f. It. *casacca* habitation, also long coat, (casa see CASINO); cf. CHASUBLE]

CASSOLËtte, n. Vessel for burning perfumes; perfume-box with perforated top. [F, dim. of *casole* dim. of *casse* pan]

CASS'owary (-o-w-), n. Kinds of large running bird related to ostrich. [f. Malay *casuari*]

*CAST*¹ (-ah-), v.t. & i. (*cast*). 1. Throw (poet. or arch. exo. in spec. uses, as: ~*dice*; ~*a vote*, give or deposit it; ~*lots*; ~*ashore*; ~*net*, hook, fly; ~*ing-net*, one thrown & at once drawn in; ~*the lead*¹, in sounding; ~*anchor*; ~*in one's teeth*, reproach him with, that; ~*an eye*, glance, look; ~*a spell on*, bewitch; ~*light*, a shadow, on; ~*blame*, one's cares, upon; ~*into prison*). 2. Overthrow in a lawsuit. 3. Throw off, get rid of, lose, (~*not a clout till May be out*; ~*aside*, give up using, abandon; horse casts shoe; snake, deer, ~*slough*, horns; cow, tree, ~*calf*, fruit, drop prematurely; ~*soldier*, policeman, horse, dismiss, reject; ~*loose*, detach oneself). 4. Reckon, calculate, (~*accounts*, do sums; ~*a column of figures* etc., add up; ~*a HOROSCOPE* or *nativity*).

5. Arrange (~ facts into such a shape; ~ actors for parts, parts to actors). 6. Form, found, (molten metal) into some shape, (figure etc.) of metal, whence ~ING⁽²⁾ n. 7. ~ about, go this way & that in search, devise means, (for, to do, how); ~ away, reject, (pass., of ship) be wrecked; ~ back, revert; ~ down, depress; ~ in one's lot with, share fortunes of; ~ off, abandon, (Knitting) close loops & make selvedge, (Naut.) loose & throw off (rope etc.), (Printing) estimate space taken in print by MS. copy; ~ up, calculate. [f. ON *kasta* perh. cogn. w. L *gerere* gest-; it displaced OE *weorpan*, & has been displaced in ordinary literal use by *throw*]

cast¹ (-ah-), n. 1. Throw of missile etc., distance so attained, (arch.); throw, number thrown, at dice, whence chance or try; throw of net, sounding-lead, or fishing-line (also in fishing the fly with hook & gut; & good, bad, etc. place for casting). 2. Casual lift in cart etc. 3. Undigested food thrown up by hawk, owl, etc. 4. Calculation, adding of columns in account. 5. Set of actors taking the parts in play, or the distribution among them. 6. Form into which any work is thrown; model made by running molten metal or pressing soft material into mould (also the negative mould itself). 7. Twist, inclination, (~ in eye, slight squint). 8. Tinge, shade, of colour. 9. Type, quality, (esp. ~ of features, ~ of mind). [f. prec.]

Cás'taly, n. Fount of poetry. So **Cás'tál'ian** a. [f. L f. Gk *Kastalia* fountain of the Muses + -AN]

cás'tanét (or -ét'), n. (Usu. pl.) hardwood or ivory instrument(s) used in pairs to rattle in time with dancing. [f. Sp. *castañeta* dim. of *caña* f. L *castanea* chestnut]

cast'away (kahst-), n. & a. Reprobate; shipwrecked (person). [p.p. of **CAST¹**, AWAY]

caste (-ah-), n. Indian hereditary class, with members socially equal, united in religion, & usu. following same trade, having no social intercourse with persons of other ~s; hereditary more or less exclusive class elsewhere; this system, the position it confers (*lose, renounce*, ~, descend in social scale). Hence ~LESS (-tl-) a. [f. Sp. & Port. *casta* lineage perh. orig. fem. of *casto* CHASTE]

cás'tellan, n. Governor of castle. [ME & ONF *castellain* f. L *castellanus* (CASTLE, -AN)]

cás'tellated, a. Castle-like; battlemented; (of district etc.) having castles. [f. med. L *castellatus* (CASTLE, -ATE³)]

cás'tig'iate, v.t. Chastise, punish with blows or words; correct & amend (book etc.). Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn. ~ATORY a. [f. L *castigare* (see -ATE³) perh. = *castum agere* make CHASTE]

Cástile (-ét') soap; n. Hard soap, usu.

mottled, made with olive oil & soda. [*Castile*, in Spain]

cast'ing-vôte (-ah-), n. Vote that decides between two equal parties. [part. of **CAST¹** in obs. sense, cf. **CASTOR¹**]

cast iron, n., **cast-iron**, a. Iron shaped by being run into mould; (adj.) made of ~; hard, untiring, rigid, unadaptable.

castle¹ (kah'l, ká'sl), n. Large fortified building or set of buildings, stronghold; mansion that was once such; (Ireland) *The C~*, government system (f. Dublin C~, seat of vice-regal court & government); *Englishman's house his ~*, none may force entrance; (Chess) piece made with battlemented top, also *Rook*; ~ in the air, or as Gallicism ~ in Spain, visionary project, day-dream, (so ~builder). Hence **cast'leed** (-ld) a., ~WISE (-lw-) adv. [f. ONF *castel* f. L *castellum* dim. of *castrum* fort]

cast'le (kah'l, ká'sl), v.t. & i. (chess). Move castle next king and king round castle (~ the king, or abs.). [f. prec.]

cas'tor¹ (-ah-), n. Substance obtained from beaver used in medicine & perfumery; (sl.) hat. [obs. wd for beaver, F. f. L f. Gk *kastór*]

cas'tor², -er, (-ah-), n. 1. Condiment-bottle for table, (pl.) cruet-stand; ~ sugar, white, finely granulated. 2. Small swivelled wheel on leg of chair, table, etc. [**CAST¹** + -OR², -ER²; sense 1 orig. of perforated-top bottle for casting pepper etc.; sense 2 f. obs. sense of **CAST¹** = veer, turn]

cas'tor³ (-ah-), n. Horny external knob inside horse's leg (also *chestnut*). [perh. = obs. *castane* chestnut ONF *castanie* f. L *castanea*]

cas'tor oil (-ah-), n. Nauseous vegetable oil used as purgative (*cold-drawn ~*, expressed from seeds without heat) & lubricant. [etym. dub.; perh. so called as having succeeded **CASTOR¹** in med. use]

castramet'ation, n. (archaeol.). Laying out of camps. [f. F *castrametation* f. L *castra* camp, *metari* measure, -ATION]

castr'iate, v.t. Remove testicles of, geld; deprive of vigour; expurgate (book). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *castrare*, -ATE³]

cá'sual (-zhóo-, -ú-), a. & n. Accidental; irregular; undesigned; unmethodical, careless; ~ labourer, who works when the chance comes; || ~ poor, who sometimes need poor-relief (also ~ as noun); || ~ ward, for their relief in work-house; ~ water, (Golf) temporary accumulation of water (i.e. not one of the recognized hazards of the course). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *casuel* f. L *casualis* (casus CASE¹, -AL)]

cas'ualty (-zhóo-, -ú-), n. Accident, mishap, disaster, esp. (pl.) list or number of killed, wounded, & invalided, in a battle, march, war, etc., (sing.) wounded etc. person. [f. L *casualitas* (prec., -TY) on anal. of *royalty* etc.]

casuarin's (also *-in's*), n. (Kinds of) quick-growing Australian & E.-Indian tree with jointed leafless branches resembling gigantic horse-tails. [f. mod. L *casuarinus* cassowary (from resemblance between branches & feathers)]

cā'su'ist (-zhōō-, -rū-), n. Person, esp. theologian, who lays down application of ethical rules to special cases, weighs conflicting obligations, classifies exceptions, & draws distinctions; sophist, quibbler. Hence *~is'tic(al)* aa., *~is'tically*² adv., *~istry* n. [f. F *casuiste* f. L *casus* CASE¹, -IST(3)]

cās'us, L n. *~bēll'i*, act justifying war; *~foed'eri* (fēd-), circumstances contemplated in treaty as requiring the action of the parties when they arise.

cāt'¹, n. 1. Small domesticated carnivorous quadruped (male, *Tom-~*); *Wild Cat*, larger native British kind; spiteful woman, scratching child; (Zool.) any member of genus *Felis*, as lion, tiger, panther, leopard (esp. *the Cats, the great Cats*); *~like* animal of other species (*civet, musk, ~*). 2. (Hist.) pent-house in sieges. 3. (Also *~head*) horizontal beam from each side of ship's bow for raising & carrying anchor. 4. (Also *~o'-nine tails*) rope whip with nine knotted lashes formerly used for flogging sailors & soldiers, & still ordered by magistrates sentencing for certain criminal offences. 5. Six-legged tripod always standing on three of its legs. 6. Tapered short stick in game tip-*~*. 7. *Turn ~ in pan*, change sides, be turncoat; *~ may look at king*, rebuke to the exclusive; *care killed the ~* (for all its nine lives; therefore be cheerful); *wait for the ~ to jump, see which way the ~ jumps, cult of the jumping ~*, etc., of politician refusing to advise until public opinion has declared itself; *fight like Kilkenny ~s*, to mutual destruction; *BELL' the ~*; *not room to swing a ~*, confined space; *~&-dog life* etc., full of quarrels, esp. that of husband & wife; || *~&-mouse Act* (sl.), that enabling hunger-strikers to be released temporarily; *rain ~s & dogs*, very hard. 8. *~bird*, Amer. thrush; || *~burglar* (who enters by climbing); *~call*, shrill whistle (sound or instrument) expressing disapproval at theatre etc. (also as v.i. & t., use, reprove with, this); *~eyed*, able to see in dark; *~fish*, of various kinds, esp. large Amer. river-fish; *~head*, see sense 3; *~ice*, milky-looking, bubbly, not solid, irregular; || *~lap*, slope, tea, etc.; *~mint*, blue-flowered aromatic plant; *~nap*, -sleep, brief, in chair etc.; *~s-cradle*, child's game with transfers of string between fingers of two players; *~s-eye*, precious stone of Ceylon & Malabar; *~s-foot*, ground-ivy; || *~s-meat*, horse-flesh prepared & hawked as food for *~s*; *~s-paw*, person used as tool by another, slight

breeze rippling water in places; *~s-tail*, various plants, as Reed-mace; *~s-walk*, narrow footway along a bridge, among large engines, etc.; || *~whisker*, fine adjustable wire in crystal wireless receiver. Hence *~'hood* n., *~like* a. [com.-Europ. f. L *catta*]

cāt'², v.i. & t. (-tt-). || Vomit (colloq.). (Naut.) raise (the anchor) from the surface of the water to the cathead. [f. prec.]

cata-, **cat-**, **cath-**, pref. in wds taken from Greek, & in others formed with Gk materials or on Gk analogy; me down, away, wrongly, mis-, ent down upon, according to, alongside of, thoroughly. [f. Gk *kata* prop.]

cātachr'ēs'is (-k-), n. Perversion, improper use, of words. So *~ēs'tic(al)* aa., *~ēs'tically*² adv. [L, f. Gk *CATA-* (*khtrēs* f. *khraomai* use)]

cāt'aciāsm, n. Violent break, disruption. [f. Gk *CATA(klasma* f. *klaō* to break)]

cāt'aciām, n. Deluge (esp. in Geol. as required by theory of school that believed in repeated destructions of all life followed by new creations); political or social upheaval. Hence *~AL*, *~IC*, aa., *~IST(3)* n., (*all -iz-*). [f. F *cataclysm* f. Gk *CATA(klusmos* flood f. *kluzō* wash)]

cāt'acomb (-kōm), n. Subterranean cemetery (orig. that under basilica of St Sebastian near Rome, supposed burying-place of Peter & Paul); (usu. pl.) the many Roman subterranean galleries with recesses excavated in sides for tombs; similar works elsewhere (in Paris, worked-out stone-quarries with bones from emptied churchyards); wine-cellar. [etym. dub.; the *~s* generally, while in use, were not so called; that of St Sebastian was, *catacumbas* (Gk *CATA-kumbas* at the boats?) being possibly name of district or an inn]

catād'romous, a. (zool.). Descending to lower river or sea to spawn. [f. Gk *CATA-(dromos* -running) + *-ous*]

cāt'alāque (-k), n. Decorated stage for coffin or effigy of distinguished person during funeral service; open hearse. [F. f. It. *catafalco* etym. dub.; but cf. F *échafaud* SCAFFOLD]

Cāt'alān, a. & n. (Native, language) of Catalonia.

cātālēc'tic, a. Wanting a syllable in last foot (of verse). [f. LL f. Gk *CATA(lēptikos* ceasing f. *lēpō* cease)]

cāt'alēpsy, n. Suspension of sensation & consciousness accompanied by rigidity of the body. [f. med. L *catalepsia* f. Gk *CATA(lēpsis* seizure) see foll.]

cātālēp'tic, a. & n. Of, subject to, the disease catalepsy (n., ~ person); (Philos.) of mental apprehension. [f. LL *catalepticus* f. Gk *CATA(lēptikos* seizing f. *lambō* seize)]

cāt'alōgue (-g), n., & v.t. (Enumerate, enter, in a) complete list, usu. alpha-

betical or under headings, & often with particulars added to items; ~e *raisonné* (-zonâ'), descriptive ~e arranged according to subjects or branches of subject. Hence ~ER¹ n. [F, f. LL f. Gk *katalogos* f. CATA- (lēgō choose) enroll]

catal'pa, n. Kinds of tree with heart-shaped leaves & trumpet-shaped flowers. [W.-Ind.]

catal'ysis, n. (chem.). Effect produced by a substance that without undergoing change itself aids a chemical change in other bodies. So **catal'yst** n., agent in ~, **cataly'tic** a. [f. Gk CATA(lusis loosening f. *luō* to loose) dissolution]

cātamārān, n. Raft or float of logs tied side by side, longest in middle, used for communication with shore or short voyage; raft of two boats fastened side by side; quarrelsome woman. [f. Tamil *kattā-maram* tied tree]

cāt'amite, n. Sodomite's minion. [f. L *calamitus* f. Gk *Ganumbētēs* cup-bearer of Zeus]

cātamoun'tain (-tīn), **cāt-o'-m-**, n. Leopard; wild quarrelsome person.

cāt'aplām, n. (med.). Poultice. [F *cataplasme* f. L f. Gk *kataplasma* (*kata-plassō* spread, smear over)]

cāt'apul't, n., & v.t. & i. Ancient engine worked by lever & ropes for discharging darts, stones, etc.; || boy's shooting contrivance of forked stick & elastic; mechanical contrivance usu. employing explosive charge for launching aircraft from deck of ship etc.; (vb) shoot or pepper (bird etc., or abs.) with ~, launch (aircraft). [f. L *catapulta* f. Gk *katapeltes* perh. f. CATA- + *pellō* hurl]

cāt'arāct, n. Waterfall (prop. large & sheer, cf. CASCAD); downpour of rain, rush of water; (Path.) eye-complaint producing partial blindness; (Mech.) steam-engine governor acting by flow of water. [f. F *cataracte* f. L *cataracta* f. Gk *katarrhaktēs* f. CAT(arsēō dash) or CATA-(rrhēgnumi break); the path. sense prob. f. obs. sense *portucullis*]

catarrh' (-ār), n. Inflammation of mucous membrane, a cold. Hence **catā'r'rhāl** (-rāl) a. [f. F *catarrhe* f. L *catarrhus* f. Gk *katarrhus* f. *katarrhēō* (CATA-, *rheō* to flow)]

cāt'a(r)rhine (-rīn), a. & n. (zool.). (Monkey) having nostrils close together, oblique, & directed downwards, & opposable thumbs on all limbs. [f. Gk CATA-, *rhīs rhinos* nostril]

catās'troph'ē, n. Dénouement of drama; disastrous end, ruin; event subverting system of things, esp. in Geol. (cf. CATA-OLISM, UNIFORMITARIAN), whence **cāta-strōph'ic(al)** aa., ~ISM(3), ~ISM(2), nn.; sudden, widespread, or signal disaster. [f. Gk CATA(*strophē* turning f. *strophō* to turn)]

Cataw'ba, n. U.S. grape & wine. [river ~]

cāt'boat, n. Sailing-boat with single mast placed well forward, carrying one sail only. [prob. f. obs. *cat(ō)*, vessel formerly used on the N.-E. coast]

catch', v.t. & i. (*caught* pr. kawt). 1. Capture, ensnare (~ GRAB'), overtake (also ~ up; *caught in storm*), lay hold of (also ~ hold of; ~ a TARTAR; ~ up *habit* etc., adopt), be in time for (train etc.). 2. Surprise, detect, (at or in, or doing; ~ me!, him!, you may be sure we shall not). 3. Hit (usu. with part specified; *caught him on the nose*; also *caught him a blow* or one). 4. (Of fire or combustible) ignite, be ignited, (~ fire or ~). 5. Be entangled, take hold, (usu. ~ in a thing; *bell ~es*; ~ on, become popular). 6. Snatch (esp. ~ up, away; ~ at, often fig. = be glad to get). 7. Intercept motion of (nail ~es dress; at cricket, ~ ball, prevent its touching ground off bat, also ~ or ~ out batsman, dismiss by doing this); ~ out, (fig.) ~ in a mistake etc., ~ napping. 8. Check suddenly (~ one's breath; ~ up speaker, interrupt). 9. Receive, incur, be infected with, (cold, a cold, a fever; a scolding, thrashing, or 'it'; enthusiasm, a habit, an accent; ~ one's DEATH; *pond* etc. ~es, is coated with ice). 10. Grasp with senses or mind (meaning, sound, tune; ~ a likeness, see & reproduce it; ~ glimpse of, see for a moment; *don't ~ on*, fail to see meaning). 11. Arrest, captivate, (attention, eye, fancy; ~ *Speaker's eye*, succeed in being called on to speak in H. of Commons). 12. ~as~can, Lancashire wrestling style; ~drain, along hillside to prevent water's running off; || ~em~alive~o, sticky flypaper; ~fly, a sticky-stemmed plant; ~penny (adj.), clap-trap, intended merely to sell; ~weed, Goosegrass; ~word, word so placed as to draw attention, e.g. first of dictionary article, rhyming word in verse, last word (cue) of actor's speech, first word of page anticipated at foot of previous one, also influential temporary phrase in politics, religion, etc. Hence ~ABLE a., (-)~ER¹(1, 2) n. [*catch* & CHASE are respectively f. ONF *cachier* & OF *chacier* (now *chasser*) both f. LL ⁺*captiare* (L *captus* captive f. *capere* take); the gen. sense of *catch* (take, not pursue) is excl. E, the orig. meanings (still in Rom.) having been taken by the later adoption CHASE²]

catch', n. 1. Act of catching; amount of fish caught. 2. Chance of, success in, catching at cricket (also a good, safe, ~, one skilful at it). 3. Cunning question, deception, surprise; ~out, act of catching out, circumstance that upsets calculations. 4. Contrivance for checking motion of door etc. 5. Thing or person caught or worth catching (so ~, bad bargain, unwelcome acquisition). 6. (Mus.) composition for three or more equal voices, ocoas.

so devised as to produce punning or other humorous verbal combinations. [f. prec.]
catch'ing, a. In vbl senses; esp.: infectious; attractive. [-ING²]
catch'ment, n. ~-*basin*, -*area*, from which rainfall flows into river etc. [CATCH¹, -MENT]
catch'pôle, -**pôll**, n. Sheriff's officer, bum-bailiff. [f. med. L *cacepollus* cf. OF *chacepol* chase-fowl (CHASE, L *pullus* fowl)]
catch'up, mis-spelling of KETCHUP.
catch'y, a. Attractive; easily caught up (of tune etc.). [CATCH¹ + -Y²]
câte, n. (Arch.; usu. pl.) choice food. [for obs. *acate* f. OF *acat* purchase f. *acater* now *acheter* buy f. LL *AC* (capture frequent. of L *capere* take) catch at]
câtéchét'ic(al) (-kê-), aa. Of, by, oral teacher; according to a, or the Church, catechism; consisting of, proceeding by, question & answer. Hence **câtéchét'ically** adv. [f. L f. Gk *katēkhētikos* f. *katēkhētē* oral teacher (*katēkhēō* CATECHIZE), -IO]
cât'échism (-k-), n. Instruction by question & answer; published example of this, esp. on religious doctrine (*Church C-*, the Anglican; *Longer & Shorter C-*, of Presbyterians); series of questions put to anyone. Hence **câtéchis'mal** (-k-), a. [f. L *catechismus* (foll., -ISM)]
cât'éch'ize (-k-), v.t. Instruct by question & answer, or by use of Church Catechism; put questions to, examine. Hence or cogn. ~**IST**(1), ~**IZER**¹, (-k-), nn. [f. I. *catechizare* f. Gk *katēkhizō* f. CAT(ēkhēō sound) make hear]
cât'échu (-ôb), n. Astringent substances with much tannin from bark, wood, or fruits, of Eastern plants. [f. Malay *kachu*]
câtéchum'ên (-kû-), n. A convert under instruction before baptism. [f. F *catéchumène* f. pass. part. of Gk *katēkhēō* CATECHIZE]
câtégô'rical, a. (Logic: of proposition) unconditional, absolute; explicit, direct, plain-speaking; (Ethics) ~ *imperative*, bidding of conscience as ultimate moral law. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L f. Gk *katēgorikos* f. CAT(ēgoros -speaking) + -AL]
cât'égor'y, n. (Orig. Gk meaning, *statement*) one of a possibly exhaustive set of classes among which all things might be distributed (the ~ies of Aristotle are: substance, quantity, quality, relation, place, time, posture, possession, action, passion); one of the *a priori* conceptions applied by the mind as frames to material supplied by sense; class, division. [f. L f. Gk *katēgoria* statement as prec.]
câtēn'a, n. Connected series. [L, = chain]
câtēn'ary, **câtēnār'ian**, aa. & nn. (Like) curve formed by uniform chain hanging freely from two points not in one vertical line (~ *bridge*, suspension; hung from such [f. L *catenarius* (prec., -ARY², -AN)])

cât'en|âte, v.t. Connect like links. So ~**A'TION** n. [f. L *catenare* as prec., -ATE²]
cât'er¹, n. (obs.). The four of cards or dice. [f. F *quatre* f. L *quatuor* four]
cât'er², v.i. Purvey food (usu. for); provide amusement etc. for. Hence ~**ER**¹ n. [f. obs. noun *cater* (now *caterer*) = obs. *acater* f. OF *acater* buyer (CATE, -OR²)]
cât'eran, n. (Sc.). Highland fighting-man, marauder, cattle-lifter. [f. Gael. *ceath-airne* peasantry]
cât'er-cousin (kûz-), n. (arch.). Intimate; be ~s, on good or familiar terms. [perh. f. CATER¹ as feeding together]
cât'erpillar, n. Larva of butterfly or moth; rapacious person; (Mech.) endless articulated steel band passing round & worked by two wheels of a tank, tractor, or vehicle required to cope with rough ground. [perh. f. OF *chatepelose* lit. hairy-cat, with -s dropped as pl. sign, & spelling influenced by vb *pill* rob, strip]
cât'erwaul, v.i., & n. (Make) cat's screaming; quarrel like cats. [CAT¹, WAUL]
cât'güt, n. Material used for strings of fiddle etc. made of twisted intestines of sheep, horse, or ass (not cat); stringed instruments. [expl. of cat doubtful]
cath-. See CATA-
cathars'is, n. (Med.) purgation; outlet to emotion afforded by drama (ref. to Arist., *Poet.* 6). [f. Gk *katharsis* (*kathairō* cleanse f. *katharos* clean)]
cathart'ic, a. & n. (med.). Purgative (medicine). [f. L f. Gk *kathartikos* as prec.]
Cathay', n. (Arch. & poet. for) China. [*Kitah*, race name]
cathēd'ral, a. & n. (Also C~ *church*) principal church of diocese, with bishop's throne; ~ *utterance* etc., delivered in CATHEDRA. [f. med. L *cathedratus* f. L f. Gk CAT(hedra chair f. *hed-* sit), -AL]
Câth'erine-wheel, n. Circular spoked window or window-compartment; rotating firework; lateral summersault (*turn ~s*). [spiked wheel in St Catherine's martyrdom]
câth'eter, n. (med.). Tubular instrument for passing into bladder. [L, f. Gk *kathētēr* f. CAT(hiēmi send)]
câth'ode, n. (electr.). Negative pole of current. [f. Gk CAT(hodos way) descent]
câth'olic, a. & n. 1. Universal; of interest or use to all men; all-embracing, of wide sympathies, broad-minded, tolerant; C~ *Epistles*, encyclical (those of James, Peter, Jude, & John—2 & 3 John being irregularly included—; cf. CANONICAL). 2. (Ecol.) C~ *Church*, whole body of Christians; ~, belonging (a) to this, (b) to the church before separation into Greek or Eastern & Latin or Western, (c) to the Latin church after that separation (cf. ORTHODOX), (d) to the part of the Latin church that remained under the Roman obedience after the reformation, (e) to any

church (as the Anglican) claiming continuity with (b); orthodox, in accord with the church in any of above senses, esp. = ROMAN CATHOLIC (as (d) in contrast with Protestant, Reformed, Lutheran, etc.; *C~ King, his C~ Majesty*, of Spain; hence cathol'ically, ~LY¹, adv., cathol'icism (2, 3) n., cathol'icize (3), v.t., cathol'ico- comb. form. 3. n. Member of the church in above senses; a Roman Catholic (cf. *C~ emancipation* etc., i.e. of Roman C~s); *Old C~*, member of party that seceded from Rome 1870-1 in Germany. [f. F *catholique* f. L f. Gk *katholikos* f. CATH- *holou* on the whole, universally]

cathol'icity, n. Comprehensiveness, freedom from prejudice; wide prevalence; agreement with Catholic or R.-C. Church doctrine, catholicism. [prec., -ITY]

cathol'icôn, n. Panacea. [F. f. Gk *katholikon* neut. CATHOLIO]

Cat'iline, n. Profligate conspirator. [*Catiline* Roman noble d. 68 B.C.]

cat'ion, n. Electro-positive element evolved at cathode in electrolysis (opp. ANION). [Gk. = going down (CAT-, *eim* go)]

cat'kin, n. Downy hanging inflorescence of willow, hazel, etc. [f. Du. *kattenken* (CAT-, -KIN)]

cat'ling, n. Small cat; fine cat-gut; amputating knife. [-LING¹(2); surg. sense unexpl.]

catop'tric, a. Of mirror, reflector, or reflection. Hence ~ICS n. [f. Gk *katoptrikos* f. CAT(*optron* f. *op-* see, -*tron* instr. suf.)]

cat'sup. Var. of KETCHUP.

cat'tish, cat'ty, aa. Catlike; (esp. fig.) sly and spiteful. [CAT¹]

cat'tle, n. Live stock; oxen (as ~ & sheep) (al.) horses; black ~, oxen of Scotch & Welsh highland breeds, orig. black; contemptible persons; ~feeder, machine regulating amount of food for ~; ~leader, nose-ring; ~lifter, ~stealer; ~FEN¹; ~piece, picture with ~; ~plague, contagious disease of ~, rinderpest ~-rustler, ~thief. [ME & ONF *catel* f. LL *capitale* f. L *capitale* neut. CAPITAL in sense chief property; cf. CHATTLE, to which the orig. meaning of ~ now belongs]

Cauc'asian (-ahn), a. & n. (Member) of the white race, Indo-European. [the *Caucasus*, supposed starting-place, + IAX] **cauc'us**, n., & v.t. & i. 1. || Local political usu. elective party committee for fighting elections, defining policy, etc. (gen. used only of opponents' organization); the ~, ~ system as a political power; hence ~DOM n. 2. vb. Use the ~ system organize, dictate to, by its means; hence ~ER¹ n. [U.S. wd (in sense meeting) perh. f. Algonkin = elder]

caud'al, a. Of, at, like, tail. Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., caud'ALY¹ a. [f. L *cauda* tail + -AL]

can'die, n. Warm gruel with spice, sugar,

& wine, for invalids, esp. women in child-bed. [f. ONF *caudel* f. med. L *caldellum* dim. of L *calid(dum)* hot drink (*calidus* warm)]

caught. See CATCH¹.

cul, n. Plain part at back of woman's cap; membrane enclosing foetus; portion of this occas. found on child's head (good omen, & charm against drowning); = OMENTUM. [f. F *cale* small cap etym. dub.]

caul'dron, cäl-, n. Large boiling-vessel (usu. of deep basin shape with hoop handle & removable lid). [f. ONF *caudron* f. L *caldarium* hot bath (L *calidus* warm, -ARY¹, -OON)]

caules-cent, a. (bot.). With visible stem. [f. L *caulis* stalk after *arborescent* etc.]

caul'iflower (köl-), n. Cabbage with large fleshy flower-head. [f. F *choufiori* (now -*fleur*) f. L *caulis* stem + F p.p. of L *florere* to flower, w. assim. in E to L *caulis* & E *flower*]

caul'ine, a. (bot.). Of, on, stem. [f. L *caulis* stem, -INE¹]

caulk (kawk), v.t. Stop up seams of (ship), stop up (seams), with oakum & melted pitch (or, in iron ship, by striking plate-junctions with blunt chisel). Hence ~ER¹ n. (in vbl senses, &, al., = final dram). [f. OF *cauquer* squeeze f. L *calcare* tread (*calx* heel)]

caulo-, comb. form of Gk *kaulos* or L *caulis* stem. [-o-]

caus'al (-z), a. Of, acting as, expressing, due to, a cause or causes; of the nature of cause & effect. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *causalis* (*causa*, -AL)]

causal'ity (-z), n. The being, having, or acting as, a cause; relation of cause & effect, doctrine that everything has cause(s). [prec., -ITY]

causa'tion (-z), n. Causing, producing an effect; relation of cause & effect; doctrine that all things have causes, whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn. [f. L *causatio* pretext, but w. sense f. med. L *causare* to cause (L *causa*), -ATION]

caus'ative (-z), a. Acting as cause, productive of; (Gram.) expressing cause. Hence ~LY¹ (-vi-) adv. [f. F *causatif* f. L *causativus* (*causari* give as pretext, -IVN)]

cause¹ (-z), n. 1. What produces an effect; antecedent(s) invariably & unconditionally followed by a certain phenomenon; person who, agent that, occasions something; ground, reason, motive, for action; adequate motive or justification (esp. show ~); efficient ~, producing force, material ~, the requisite matter, formal ~, the idea or definition, final ~, purpose; *First C~*, the Creator. 2. (Law, & from law) matter about which person goes to law; his case (*plead a ~*); law-suit; side of any dispute espoused by person or party, militant movement, propaganda

(make common ~ with); || ~*ist*, of cases awaiting trial. [F, f. L. *causa*]

cause² (-z), v.t. Effect, bring about, produce; induce, make, (person or thing to do, to be done something to). Hence **cause**'*ur* n. [f. med. L. *causare* (cf. L. *causari* plead causes, give as pretext)]

cause célèbre (kōz sēlē'br), n. (pl. *causes célèbres*, pr. as sing.). Law-suit that excites much attention. [F]

cause'lless (-zl-), a. Fortuitous; without natural cause; unjustifiable, groundless, whence ~*LY*³ adv. [-LESS]

cause'rie (kōzērē'), n. (pl. -s, pr. as sing.). Newspaper article (or spoken address) of an informal or conversational kind, esp. on literary subjects. [F]

causeuse (kōzēz'), n. (pl. -s, pr. as sing.). Small sofa for two. [F]

cause'way (-sw-), **caus'ey** (-z-), n., & v.t. Raised road across low or wet place or piece of water; raised footway by road; (v.t.) provide with ~. [*causeway*=*causey* ONF *caucie* f. LL *calciata* trodden f. L. *calcare* f. *calc*-*itis* heel) + *WAY*]

caus'tic, a. & n. (Substance) that burns or corrodes organic tissue (*Common* or *Lunar* ~*ic*, nitrate of silver for surg. use); sarcastic, biting, whence ~*ICALLY* adv.; (Math.) (surface, curve) formed by intersection of rays reflected or refracted from curved surface. Hence ~*ICITY* n. [f. L. f. Gk *kaustikos* (*kaustos* burnt f. *kaiō* burn, -*io*)]

caut'erize, v.t. Sear with hot iron or caustic; (fig.) make callous. Hence ~*IZATION* n. [f. F *cautériser* f. LL *cauterizare* f. Gk *kautērion* branding-iron (*kaiō* burn)]

caut'ery, n. Metal instrument for searing tissue; cauterizing. [f. L f. Gk *kautērion* see *prec.*; second sense on anal. of nouns in -*ERY*]

cau'tion, n., & v.t. 1. Prudence, taking care, avoidance of rashness, attention to safety, (|| ~ *money*, deposited as security for good conduct, esp. at Universities & Inns of Court), whence **cau'tious** (-shus), a., **cau'tiously**² adv.; warning (in drill, preliminary word of command), fact that acts as warning, warning with reprimand (*dismissed with a ~*), whence ~*ARY*¹ (-sho-), a.; (sl.) extraordinary thing, hideous or strange person. 2. v.t. Warn (person, often *against*, to or not to do); warn & reprove. [F, f. L. *cautionem* (*cavēre* *caut*-take heed, -*io*)]

cavalcade, n. Company of riders. [F, f. Pr. *cavalcada* f. *cavalcar* ride f. LL *caballicare* f. L. *caballus* horse; see -*ADE*]

caval'ier, n. & a. 1. Horseman; courtly gentleman, gallant, esp. as escorting a lady, whence **caval'ier**² v.t.; 17th-c. royalist. 2. adj. Off-hand, curt, supercilious, whence ~*LY*³ adv. [earlier -*liero*, -*liero*, f. Sp. present form F, f. It. *cavaliere* (*cavallo* see *CAVALRY*, -*IER*)]

cavill'y, n. Kinds of tropical fish, horse-mackerel. [f. Sp. *cavalla* mackerel]

cav'alry, n. Horse-soldiers (usu. w. pl. vb). [f. F *cavallerie* f. It. *cavalleria* (*cavallo* f. L. *caballus* horse, -*ERY*)]

cavall'ies (-tē-), n. Short simple song; similar piece of instrumental music, usu. slow & emotional. [It.]

cave¹, n. Underground hollow usu. with horizontal opening, den; *Idols of the ~*; || (Pol.) secession of part of party on some question (*ADULAMITE*), the seceders; ~*dwellers*, esp. of prehistoric men living in ~s; ~*fish*, *man*, *rat*, *spider*, *swallow*, kinds living in ~s (also ~*bear* etc. of extinct kinds whose remains are found in ~s); ~*man*, (in modern use) man of primitive passions, instincts, & behaviour. Hence ~*LET* (-vi-) n. [F, f. L. *cava* neut. pl. of *cavus* adj. hollow]

cave², v.t. & i. Hollow out, make into a cave; || form political *CAVE*¹; ~ *in*: subside, recede, (of earth etc. over hollow; of wall yielding inwards cf. *BULGE*); yield to pressure, submit, withdraw opposition; smash in (esp. person's hat or head), spoil shape of. [f. *prec.*; but ~ *in* may be f. obs. *calve* fall in cf. Flem. *in-kalven* Du. *af-kalven*, in similar sense]

|| **cav'ē**³, int. (schoolboy sl.). Look out! (warning of master's approach). [L. = beware]

cav'eat, n. 1. (Law) process to suspend proceedings (*enter, put in, a ~*). 2. Warning; proviso. [L. = let him beware] **cav'eat empt'or**, L sent. (= let the buyer see to it) disclaiming responsibility for buyer's disappointment.

cav'endish, n. Tobacco softened, sweetened, & pressed into cake, negro-head. [f]

cav'ern, n. Underground hollow (rhet.). [f. F *caverne* f. L. *caverna* (*cavus* hollow)]

cav'erned (-nd), a. Like, in, with, cavern(s). [-*ED*³]

cav'ernous, a. Full of caverns; as of, huge or deep as, a cavern (~ *darkness*, *mouth*, *eyes*); porous. [f. L. *cavernosus* (*CAVERN*, -*OS*³)]

cav'ēs(s)on, n. Strong nose-band used in breaking in troublesome horses. [f. F *caveçon* f. It. *cavezzone* augment. of *cavezza* halter (perh. conn. w. L. *capistrum* halter)]

caviar(e) (or *käv*), n. Sturgeon-roe pickled, eaten as relish; ~ *to the general*, good thing unappreciated by the ignorant. [16th-c. It. has *caviare*, etym. dub.]

cav'il, v.i. (-il-), & n. (Raise) captious objection (*at, about*). Hence ~*ER*¹ n. [f. OF *caviller* f. L. *cavillari* (*cavilla* mockery)]

cav'ity, n. Empty space within solid body. [f. F *cavité* (L. *cavus* hollow, -*TY*)]

***cav'ot**, v.i. (sl.). Prance. [f]

cäv'y, n. Amer. rodent. [f. *cabiai* native name in French Guiana]

caw, n. & int., & v.i. & t. (Make) rook's, crow's, raven's, cry; ~ *out*, utter in cawing tone. [imit.]

Căx'ton, n. Book printed by W. ~ (first Engl. printer, d. 1492); printing-type in imitation of ~s.

cay, n. Insular bank or reef of coral, sand, etc., cf. KEY². [= QUAY]

cayenne (kăən'), n. (Also ~ pepper) pungent red pepper of capsicum. [f. Braz. *kaynha* assim. to *Cayenne* capital of French Guiana]

cay'man, **cai'man**, n. Kinds of large saurian of crocodile family (prop. an American genus with round short muzzle). [prob. f. Carib *acayouman*]

|| **cd**, || **cmd**, = COMMAND² paper.

cē, = CEE.

cēanōth'us, n. A flowering shrub. [Gk] **ceasē**¹, v.i. & t. Desist from; stop doing, being, etc.; (of feelings, actions) come to an end; bring to an end (strife, endeavours, etc.); (Mil.) ~ fire, discontinue firing. [ME *cessen* f. F *cesser* f. L *cessare* frequent. of *cedere* cess- yield]

cease², n. Ceasing (obs. exc. in *without* ~, incessantly). Hence ~LESS (-sl-) a., ~LESSLY² adv., ~LESSNESS n. [f. OF *ces* (*cesser* see prec.)]

cē'sity, n. Blindness (usu. fig.). [f. L *caecitas* (*caecus* blind, -TY)]

cēd'ar, n. Kinds of cone-bearing tree including C~ of Lebanon, Atlas C~, & Doodar; various trees resembling ~; = ~wood. Hence (poet.) ~n [-EN²] a. [ME & OF *cedre* f. L f. Gk *kedros*]

cēde, v.t. Give up, grant, admit, surrender (territory). [f. L *cedere* retreat]

cēdill'a, n. Mark (s) written under c to show that it is sibilant. [Sp., f. It. *cediglia*, dim. of *cēla* Gk name of Z]

cee, n. The letter C; ~ spring, C-spring, spring so shaped supporting carriage body.

ceil (sēl), v.t. Line roof of (room). Hence **ceil'ing**¹(2) n.: such lining; (Aviation) maximum altitude a given aeroplane can attain, maximum altitude in particular weather conditions; upper limit of prices, wages, etc. [prob. f. F *ciel* heaven, ceiling, f. L *caelum* heaven, w. infl. of L *caelare* emboss]

cēl'adōn, n. & a. Willow green. [F, perh. f. name of character in D'Urfé's *Astrée*]

cēl'andine, n. Two yellow-flowered plants, Greater C~, & Lesser C~ (Pilewort, Fig-wort). [f. OF *celidoine* f. L *chelidonia* f. Gk *kheledonion* (*kheledon* swallow); for ~n cf. *passenger*]

cēlanēse' (-z), n. Kind of artificial silk. [P]

-**cele** (sēl), in medical compound words, = tumour of the —. [f. Gk *kēlē* tumour]

cēl'ēbrant, n. Officiating priest, esp. at Eucharist. [f. L *celebrare* (foll.), -ANT]

cēl'ēbr'āte, v.t. & i. Perform publicly & duly (religious ceremony etc.); officiate at Eucharist; observe, honour, with rites, festivities, etc. (festival, event); publish abroad, praise, extol, (p.p.) famous.

Hence ~ATION n. [f. obs. *celebrate* adj. f. L *celebrare* (*celeber* -bris frequented), -ATE².¹]

cēlēb'rity, n. Being famous; well-known person (also attrib., as ~ concert). [f. L *celebritas* (*celeber* see prec., -TY)]

cēlē'riac, n. Turnip-rooted celery. [f. CELERY, -ac unexplained]

cēlē'rity, n. Swiftmess, dispatch (of living movement or agency). [f. F *célérité* f. L *celeritatem* (*celer* swift, -TY)]

cēl'ery, n. Plant of which blanched stem is used as salad & vegetable. [f. F *celeri* ult. f. Gk *selinon* parsley]

cēlēste', n. & a. Sky blue; (also *voix* ~) organ & harmonium stop; (adj.) sky-blue. [f. F *céleste* f. L *caelestis* (*caelum* heaven)]

cēlē's'tial, a. & n. Of the sky (~ globe, map); heavenly, divine, divinely good, beautiful, etc., whence ~LY² adv.; C~ Empire, China (transl. of native title; so C~ = Chinese, a. & n.). [OF (L *caelestis* see prec., -AL)]

cēl'ibate, a. & n. (Person) not married, bound or resolved not to marry; unmarried (of life, habits). So **cēl'ibacy** n., **cēl'ibatar'ian** a. & n. [f. L *caelebs* -ibis unmarried + -ATE²(2)]

cell, n. 1. Dependent nunnery or monastery (hist.); anchoret's one-roomed dwelling; cottage (poet.); grave (poet.); single person's small room in monastery or prison (*condemned* ~, for one condemned to death); compartment in bees' comb; (Electr.) voltaic apparatus with only one pair of metallic elements, unit of battery. 2. Enclosed cavity in organism or mineral (~s of brain, imaginary compartments assigned to various faculties); (Biol.) portion of protoplasm usu. enclosed in membrane, ultimate element of organic structures; (Zoophytes) cup-like cavity of individual polype in compound polypidom; (fig., of persons) centre or nucleus of (revolutionary) propaganda. Hence (-)cell² (-ld), ~'iron², aa. [f. OF *celle* f. L *cella* small room]

cēll'ar, n., & v.t. (Put, store, in an) underground room; (also wine-~) place in which wine is kept, one's stock of wine (*keeps a good* ~); ~-flap, trapdoor into ~; ~-plate, in pavement over hole into coal-~. Hence ~AGE n. [f. OF *cellier* f. L *cellarium* (prec., -AR², -ARY²)]

cēll'arer, n. Monastic keeper of wine & provisions. [f. OF *cellier* (*cellier* see prec., -IER)]

cēllarēt', n. Case or sideboard for keeping winebottles in dining-room. [-ET¹]

'cēll'ō (ch-), n. (pl. -ōs). (Short for) **VELO-LOCCELLO**. Hence **'cēll'ist** (s) n.

cēll'ophāne, n. Transparent wrapping material made from viscose. [P]

cēll'ūlar, a. Of, having, small single rooms or compartments or cavities; ~

shirt etc. (of open texture); (Physiol.) consisting of cells (as ~ *tissue*); ~ *plant*, without distinct stem, leaves, etc. Hence *cellulār'ity* n. [as foll., -AR']

cell'ūle, n. (anat.). Cell or cavity (see CELL, 2; the derivatives are formed from *cellule*, not *cell*). Hence or cogn. ~*ATE*², ~*ATED*, ~*IFEROUS*, ~*OUS*, aa., ~*A'TION* n., ~*O*-comb. form. [f. L *cellula* (cella CELL, -ULE)]

cell'ūloid, a. & n. Like cells; (n.) plastic made from camphor & cellulose nitrate. [irreg. f. CELLULOSE¹ + -OID]

*cell'ūlose*¹, a. Consisting of cells. Hence *cellūlōs'ity* n. [CELLULE, -OSE¹]

*cell'ūlose*², n. (chem.). Substance forming solid framework of plants; (in pop. usage for) ~ acetate or ~ nitrate, solutions of which give the ~ finish used in varnishing metal, woodwork, etc., (also v.t., treat with ~). [F, f. L *cellula* CELLULE + -OSE²]

Cel'sius. See CENTIGRADE.

Celt', Kelt, n. Member of one of the peoples akin to the ancient Galli (Bretons, Cornish, Welsh, Irish, Manx, Gaels). [f. F *Celte* f. L *Celta*; cf. Gk *Keltai*, *Keltai*, pl.]

celt', n. (archaeol.). Bronze or stone (or iron) chisel-edged prehistoric implement. [wd founded on a perh. false reading in Vulgate of Job xix. 24—*stylo ferreo, et plumbi lamina, vel celte* (v.l. *certe*) *sculptantur*]

Celt'ic, K-, a. & n. (Language) of the Celts; the ~ *fringe*, the Scots, Irish, Welsh, & Cornish, in relation to the U.K. Hence *celt'ically* adv., *celt'ic-ism* (2, 4) n., *celt'icize* (2, 3) v.i. & t. [f. L *celticus* (CELT¹, -IO)]

celt'o-, comb. form of CELT¹. Hence *celt'ol'ogist*, *celtoman'iac*, *celt'ophil*, nn. [-o-]

cement', n., & v.t. 1. Substance applied as paste & hardening into stony consistence for binding together stones or bricks & for forming floors, walls, etc., strong mortar of calcinated lime & clay (*hydrau'lic* ~, hardening under water); any substance applied soft for sticking things together; (fig.) principle of union; substance for stopping teeth; bony crust of tooth-fang. 2. v.t. Unite (as) with ~; apply ~ to, line or cover with ~. [ME *cymment* f. OF *ciment* f. L *caementum* for *caedimentum* (*caedere* out, -MENT) chip-pings of stone]

cem'etery, n. Place for burials, not being a churchyard. [f. L f. Gk *koinētērion* *coemeterion* (*koimāō* put to sleep)]

cem'obite. See COENOBITE.

cem'otaph (-ahf), n. Sepulchral monument to person whose body is elsewhere; the G- that in Whitehall commemorating the dead of the 1914-18 war; tomb from which one has risen. [f. F *cénotaphe* f. L f. Gk *cenotaphion* (hence empty; *taphos* tomb)]

cense, v.t. Perfume, worship, with burning incense. [f. obs. *cense* noun short for INCENSE¹]

cen'ser, n. Vessel in which incense is burnt. [f. OF (en)censier f. L *incensum* INCENSE¹, -ER⁽²⁾]

cen'sor, n., & v.t. 1. Ancient-Roman magistrate drawing up register or census of citizens & supervising public ; person expressing opinions on others' morals & conduct. 2. Official or suppressing as immoral, seditious, or inopportune, books, plays, news, or military intelligence (vb, exercise such control over, make excisions or cha-in). 3. Various university officials. 4. (Psychoanal.) ~(*ship*), a power by which elements of the Unconscious are inhibited from emerging into the consciousness. Hence or cogn. *censōr'ial* a., ~*SHIP* n. [L, f. *censere* tax, -OR²]

censōr'ious, a. Fault-finding, over-critical. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *censorius* (CENSOR, -ORY) + -OUS]

cen'sur'e (-sher), n., & v.t. 1. Adverse judgement, expression of disapproval, reprimand. 2. v.t. Blame, criticize unfavourably, reprove; hence ~*ABLE* a. [f. F *censure*(r) f. L *censura* (*censere* tax, -URE)]

cen'sus, n. Official numbering of population with various statistics (in Gt Britain taken every ten years); ~*paper*, form left at every house to be filled up with names, ages, etc., of inmates. [L, f. *censere* to rate]

cent, n. *Per* ~, for, to, in, every hundred (in stating proportion, esp. of interest); *three* etc. *per* ~s, public securities at 3% etc.; ~ *per* ~, interest equal to principal; (U.S. etc.) hundredth of a dollar; typical small coin (*don't care a ~*). [f. F *cent* or L *centum* hundred]

cen'tal, n. Weight of 100 lb. used for corn. [f. L *centum* hundred, perh. after QUINTAL]

cen'taur (-tōf), n. Horse with human body, arms, & head, taking the place of its neck & head; hybrid creation, person or thing of double nature; (C~) name of a constellation; perfect horse-man. Hence ~*ESS*¹ n. [f. L f. Gk *kentauros* etym. dub.]

cen'taur'y, n. Name of various plants. [ult. f. Gk *kentaursion* (*kentauros* see prec.) said to have been used medicinally by centaur Chiron]

centenār'ian, a. & n. (Person) a hundred years old. [as foll. + -AN]

centen'ary (also *sen'ten-*), a. & n. 1. Of a hundred years. 2. n. Space of a hundred years reckoned from any point in a century; centennial anniversary, celebration of it. [f. L *centenarius* (*centeni* a hundred each, -AR²)]

centinn'al, a. & n. Of, having lived or lasted, completing, a hundred years; (cf

the hundredth anniversary. [f. *L. centum* hundred, & as *BIENNIAL*]

cén'tés'im'al, a. Reckoning, reckoned, by hundredths. Hence \sim LY¹ adv. [f. *L. centesimus* hundredth (*centum* hundred) + *-AL*]

cén'ti-, comb. form of *L. centum* hundred, = 1/100 of the denomination in the metric system. Hence \sim GRAMME, \sim LITRE (*-lêtre*), \sim MÈTRE (*-mêter*), nn.

cén'tigrâde, a. Having a hundred degrees (of Celsius's thermometer, with freezing-point 0° & boiling-point 100°). [F, f. *L. centum* a hundred + *gradus* step]

céntill'ion (-yon), n. Hundredth power of a million (1 with 800 ciphers). [*centum* (prec.), *BILLION*]

centime (sahntêm'), n. French coin = 1/100 of a franc. [F]

cén'tipède, n. Many-footed wingless crawling animal. [f. *L. centipeda* (*centum* hundred, *pes pedis* foot)]

cén't'ner, n. German weight, about 1 cwt. [G, f. *L. centenarius* CENTENARY]

cén'tō, n. (pl. -os). Composition made up of scraps from other authors. [*L.* = patch-work garment]

cén'tral, a. Of, in, at, from, containing, the centre; leading, principal, dominant; *C* ~ *Empires*, *Powers*, (hist.), Germany & Austria-Hungary; \sim *heating*, method of warming a building by hot water or steam conveyed by pipes from \sim source. Hence **cén'trál'ity** n., \sim LY¹ adv., \sim NESS n. [f. *L. centralis* (*centrum* CENTRE, *-AL*)]

cén'tralism, **cén'tralist**, nn. (Upholder of) a centralizing system. [prec. + *-ISM*(3), *-IST*(2)]

cén'traliz'e, v.i. & t. Come, bring, to a centre; concentrate (administration) at single centre; subject (State etc.) to this system. Hence \sim A'TION n. [CENTRAL, *-IZE*(3)]

cén'tre¹ (-ter), **cén'ter**, n. & a. 1. Middle point (strictly, equidistant from ends of line measuring along it, or from extremities of regular surface or body, or from all points in circumference of circle or sphere, & at mean distance from all points in periphery of irregular surface or body). 2. Point, pivot, axis, of revolution (in lathe, conical adjustable bearing to hold revolving object). 3. Point of concentration or dispersion, nucleus, source. 4. (Fenians etc.) organizer, leader, (esp. *head* ~). 5. (Hit on) part of target between bull's-eye & outer. 6. (Archit.) wooden mould for arch or dome while building. 7. (Mil.) main body of troops between wings. 8. (Pol.; orig. f. French) the *C* ~, men of moderate opinions (*left* ~, *left*, radical grades; *right* ~, *right*, reactionary). 9. (Assoc. footb., Hockey) middle player in forward line (also \sim *forward*), kick or hit from wing to ~. 10. ~ of *attraction*, (Physics) to which bodies tend by gravity, (fig.) drawing general

attention; \sim of *gravity*, that point in body which being supported body remains at rest in any position; \sim of *mass*, point (in relation to body) any plane passing through which divides body into two parts of equal weight; DEAD ~; \sim *piece*, ornament for middle of table; \sim *rail*, third rail on mountain railways for cogged wheel etc.; \sim *second*(s), seconds hand mounted on centre arbor of clock or watch; \sim *bit*, boring-tool with ~ point & side cutters; \sim *board*, (flat-bottomed boat with) board for lowering through keel to prevent lee-way; hence \sim LESS, **cén'tric**(AL), aa., **cén'trically**¹ adv., **cén'trí'city** n. 11. adj. At, of, the ~; hence \sim MOST (-erm-) a. [F (-re), f. L f. Gk *kentron* spike (*kentō* to prick)]

cén'tre² (-ter), **cén'ter**, v.i. & t. Be concentrated *in, on, at, round, about*; place in centre; mark with a centre; concentrate *in* etc.; find centre of; (Assoc. footb., Hockey) kick or hit (ball) from wing to centre. [f. prec.]

cén'tr(e)ing (-ter-), n. Temporary framing used to support arch, dome, etc., while under construction. [CENTRE¹ + *-ING*¹]

cén'trif'ugal, a. Flying, tending to fly, from centre; \sim *force*, with which body revolving round centre tends to fly off, inertia; \sim *machine* etc., in which \sim force is utilized; (Bot.) \sim *inflorescence*, in which end flower opens first & side ones in downward order. Hence \sim LY¹ adv. [f. *L. centrum* CENTRE¹ + *-fugus* -flying (*fugere* flee) + *-AL*]

cén'trip'etal, a. Tending towards centre; \sim *force*, *machine* etc., *inflorescence*, opposite of CENTRIFUGAL. Hence \sim LY¹ adv. [f. *L. petus* -seeking (*petere* seek) & as prec.]

cén'tro-, comb. form of *L. centrum* CENTRE¹, = centre-, central, centrally.

cén'tuple, a., n., & v.t. Hundredfold; (vb) multiply by a hundred. [f. LL *centuplus* for *L. centuplex* (*centum* hundred, *-plic*-fold)]

céntup'licate, a. & n. (-ât), & v.t. (-ât). = prec., esp. *in* ~, of things of which a hundred copies are produced. [f. *L. centuplicare* as prec., *-ATE*^{2,3}]

céntūr'ion, n. Commander of century in Roman army. [f. *L. centurio* -onis (foll.)]

cén'tūr'y, n. 1. (Rom. hist.) company in army, orig. of 100 men; political division for voting. 2. A hundred of something (esp., 100 runs at cricket); one of the hundred-year periods counting from a received epoch, esp. from birth of Christ (*first* ~, 1-100, *nineteenth* ~, 1801-1900, etc.); any hundred successive years, centenary. [f. *L. centuria* (*centum* hundred)]

céphál'ic, a. Of, in, the head. [f. F *céphalique* f. L f. Gk *kephalikos* (*kephalē* head, *-ikos*)]

-céphál'ic, = -CEPHALOUS.

céph'alo-, comb. form = head-, head- & ~ [see CEPHALO, -O-]

cēph'alopōd, *n.* Mollusc with distinct tentacled head. [prec. + Gk *pous podos* foot]

cēphalothōr'āx, *n.* Coalesced head & thorax of spider, crab, etc. [CEPHALO-, THORAX]

-cēph'alous, last element esp. of anthropological terms = -headed, as *brachy-*, with short head. [f. Gk *kephalē* head + -ous]

cērām'ic, *k-*, *a.* Of the art of pottery. Hence ~ics, *cē'ramist*(2), *nn.* [f. Gk *keramikos* (*keramos* pottery, -10)]

cērās'tes (-ēs), *n.* The horned viper of N. Africa. [L f. Gk *kerastēs* (*keras* horn)]

cērās'tium, *n.* Kinds of herb with horn-shaped capsules. [mod. L, f. Gk *kerastēs* horned (*keras* horn)]

cē'rato-, comb. form of Gk *keras* -atos horn, = horn-&- , horny-, & esp. of the cornea.

Cērb'erus, *n.* Three-headed dog guarding entrance to Hades (*sop* to ~, something to propitiate an official, guard, etc.). [L, f. Gk *Kerberos*]

cē're, *n.* Naked wax-like membrane at base of some birds' beaks. [f. *F* *cire* f. L *cera* wax]

cēr'ēal, *a. & n.* Of corn or edible grain; (*n.*, usu. pl.) kind(s) of grain used for human food; *article of diet made from wheat, maize, or other ~ (usu. as breakfast dish). [f. L *Cerealis* (*Ceres* goddess of corn, -AL)]

cērēbēll'um, *n.* Little or hinder brain. [L, dim. of CEREBRUM]

cērēbral, *a.* Of the brain; ~ letter, consonant sounded by turning tongue-tip to top of palate. [f. *F* *cérébral* (CEREBRUM, -AL)]

cērēbrā'tion, *n.* Working of the brain, esp. *unconscious* ~, of results reached without conscious thought. [CEREBRUM + -ATION]

cērēbrum, *n.* The brain proper, in front of & above the cerebellum. Hence **cērēbro-** comb. form; *cerebro-spin'al*, of brain & spine (*cerebro-spinal meningitis*, spotted fever). [L]

cere'cloth (sē'klaw-), *n.* Cloth impregnated with wax etc., used as waterproof covering or (esp.) winding-sheet. [orig. OREO cloth]

cere'ment (sēm-), *n.* (usu. pl.). Grave-clothes. [f. *F* *cirement* (*cirer* to wax, wrap in waxed cloth, see OREO)]

cērēmō'g'ial, *a. & n.* 1. With or of ritual or ceremony, formal; hence ~ism(3), ~ism(2), *nn.*, ~LY² adv. 2. *n.* System of rites; formalities proper to any occasion; observance of conventions; (R.-O. Ch.) book of ritual. [f. L *caerimoniales* (CEREMONY, -AL)]

cērēmō'nious, *a.* Addicted or showing addiction to ceremony, punctilious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS *n.* [f. L *caerimoniosus* (foll., -ous)]

cērēmōn'y, *n.* Outward religious rite or polite observance; empty form; stately usage; formalities; punctilious behaviour (*without* ~y, off-hand; *stand upon* ~y, insist on conventions, keep one's distance); *Master of the C-ies*, superintending forms observed on state or public occasions. [prob. f. OF *cerymonte* f. L *caerimonia* of. Skr. *karman* work, rite, (kri do)]

cēr'iph, (now rare for) *SERIF*.

cerise' (-ēs), *a. & n.* (Of) a light clear red. [F, = CHERRY]

cēr'ium, *n.* A metallic element. Hence **cēr'ic**(1), **cēr'ous**, *aa.* [f. planet *Ceres*. discovered (1801) just before, + -IUM]

cērō-, comb. form of L *cera* or Gk *keros* wax. **cēroplāst'ic**, *a.* Modelled, of modelling, in wax. Hence ~ics *n.* [f. Gk *kēro* = OERO (*plastikos* adj. f. *plasseō* to mould)]

cērt, *n.* (sl.). Event or result certain to happen. [abbr. *certain*]

cērt'ain (-tn, -tin), *a.* Settled, unfailing; unerring, reliable; sure to happen; indisputable; convinced (*of, that*); destined, undoubtedly going, to do; that might but need not or should not be specified (*a ~ person, lady of a ~ age*), some though perhaps not much (*felt a ~ reluctance*), existing but probably unknown to hearer (*a ~ John Smith*); *for* ~, assuredly. [OF L *certus* orig. p.p. of *cernere* decide, -AN)]

cērt'ainly (-tn-), *adv.* Indubitably; infallibly; confidently; admittedly; (in answers) I admit it, no doubt, yes. [prec. + -LY²]

cērt'ainty (-tn-), *n.* Undoubted fact (*bel on a ~*, usu. dishonestly with secret knowledge of result), indubitable prospect; thing in actual possession; absolute conviction (*of, that*); *to, for, a ~*, beyond possibility of doubt. [f. OF *certaineté* (CERTAIN, -TY)]

cērt'ēs (-z), *adv.* (arch.). Assuredly, I assure you. [OF, also a *certes* perh. f. L *a certis* from sure (grounds)]

certif'icate, *n., & v.t.* 1. (-it). Document formally attesting a fact, esp. the bearer's status, acquisitions, fulfilment of conditions, right to company shares, etc.; || *bankrupt's ~*, stating that he has satisfied legal requirements & may recommence business. 2. *v.t.* (-āt). Furnish with, license by, ~; hence **certifica'tion** *n.* [f. med. L *certificaculum* neut. p.p. (foll.)]

cērt'ify, *v.t.* Attest formally, declare by certificate; || (of doctor) officially declare (person) insane, whence ~iABLE *a.*; inform certainly, assure. Hence ~iER¹ *n.* [f. *F* *certifier* f. med. L *certificare* (CERTAIN, -FY)]

cērt'ificā's (-sh-), *n.* Writ from higher court for records of case tried in lower. [L *wd* in writ]

cērt'itude, *n.* Feeling certain, conviction. [F, f. LL *certitudinem* (CERTAIN, -TUDE)]

cerul'ean (-ōō-), *a.* Deep-blue. [*f. L caeruleus* prob. for *caehul-* (*caelum* sky) + -AN]

cerum'en (-ōō-), *n.* Ear-wax. So **cerum'inous** *a.* [*f. L cera* wax on anal. of *albumen*]

cér'use (-ōōs), *n.* (Also *white lead*) a white paint from carbonate & hydrate of lead, esp. as cosmetic. [*f. L cerussa* prob. *f. a Gk kêroussa* fem. of *kêrois* waxy (CERO-)]

cerv'ical (or *servik'*), *a.* (physiol.). Of the neck. So **cervic'o-** comb. form. [*f. L cervix* -icis neck + -AL]

cerv'ine, *a.* Of, like, deer. [*f. L cervinus* (*cervus* deer + -INE¹)]

Césà'révitch, -wítch, (-z-), *n.* Tsar's eldest son; || (-w-) horse-race run annually at Newmarket. [Russ.]

|| **céss**, *n.* Tax, rate, (now displaced by *rate* in Engl., but used in various senses in Ireland, Scotland, & India). [prop. *sess* for obs. *assess* *n.* see **ASSESS**]

cessá'tion, *n.* Ceasing; pause. [*f. L cessatio* (*cessare* CEASE¹, -ATION)]

cess'er, *n.* (legal). Coming to an end, cessation, (of term, liability, etc.). [*F*] (CEASE¹, -ER¹)

cé'ssion (-shn), *n.* Ceding, giving up, (of rights, property, or esp. of territory by State). [*F. f. L cessionem* (*cedere* cess-go away, -ION)]

cé'ssionary (-shon-), *n.* = **ASSIGN**¹. [*f. mod. L cessionarius* as prec. + -ARY¹]

cess'pit, *n.* Midden. [see foll.]

cess'pool, *n.* Well sunk for soil from water-closet etc., retaining solids & letting liquid escape (also fig., as ~ of *iniquity*). [prob. *f. It. cesso* privy *f. L secessus* SECESSION]

cés'toid, *a. & n.* (zool.). Ribbon-like (intestinal worm, as tape-worm). [*f. Gk kēstos* girdle + -OID]

cés'tus, *n.* Loaded bull-hide hand-covering worn by Roman boxers. [*L caestus* (*caedere* strike)]

cét-, comb. form = of spermaceti, in chem names. [*f. L cetus* -i *f. Gk kētos* -eo: whale]

cétà'cean (-shn), *a. & n.* (Member) of the mammalian order containing whales. So **cétà'ceous** (-shus) *a.* [as prec., -ACEAN]

cét'ésaur (-ō), -saur'us, *n.* Fossil saurian. [*f. Gk kētos* -eos whale & *sauro*: lizard]

cét'erách (-k), *n.* Kinds of fern with frond-backs covered with scales. [med. *L.* etym. dub.]

cét'erie pà'rífus, *adv.* Other things being equal. [*L*]

Chablis (sháb'lî), *n.* A French white wine. [place name]

Châd'bând, *n.* Unctuous hypocrite. [person in *Dickens's Bleak House*]

cháfe, *v.t. & i.*, & *n.* 1. Rub (skin, to restore warmth); make, become, sore by rubbing; (of beast, river) rub itself

against (bars, rocks); irritate; show irritation, fume, fret. 2. *n.* (Sore made by) friction; state of irritation, pet, (in a ~). [*f. OF chauffer* *f. L calefacere* (*calere* be hot, *facere* make)]

cháf'er, *n.* Kinds of beetle, usu. the cock-chaffer. [OE *cefer* cf. *G küfer* perh. *f. kaf-* gnaw of *JOWL*]

chaff (-ahf), *n., & v.t.* 1. Separated grain-husks; chopped hay & straw; bracts of grass-flower; spurious substitute (*caught with ~*, easily deceived or trapped); worthless stuff; ~-cutter, machine chopping fodder; hence ~'r¹ (-ahf-) *a.*; (vb) chop (straw etc.). 2. Banter (*n. & v.t.*). [OE *ceaf* cf. OHG *cheva* perh. *f. kef-* gnaw of *JOWL*; sense 2 may be fig. use of 1 (starting with noun), or (starting with vb) be = CHAFE (anger playfully)]

cháff'er, *v.i. & t., & n.* 1. Haggle, bargain (~ *away*, = **BARGAIN** away); hence ~ER¹ *n.* 2. *n.* = ~ing. [ME *ch(e)apfare* *f. OE cēap* see **CHAPMAN** + *faru* FARE]

|| **cháff'inch**, *n.* Common British small bird. [CHAFF (*f.* haunting barndoor) + FINCH]

cháff'ing-dish, *n.* Vessel with burning charcoal etc. inside for keeping warm things placed on it. [*f. obs. sense of CHAFE* = warm]

chagrin (shagrôn'), *n., & v.t.* (Affect with) acute disappointment or mortification. [*f. F chagrin(er)* *f. Turk. saghri* rump of horse, prepared hide, SHAGREEN; sense by metaphor *f. use of shagreen* for friction]

chain, *n., & v.t.* 1. Connected series of metal or other links (ENDLESS ~); fetters, confinement, restraining force; necklace, watchguard, etc. 2. Sequence, series, set, (of proof, events, posts, mountains; *ladies' ~*, movement in quadrille). 3. Jointed metal-rod measuring-line, its length (66 ft.). 4. (Also ~-shot) two balls or half balls joined by ~ for cutting masts etc. 5. (Naut.) fastening for shrouds below CHANNEL² (also ~-plate), the ~s, whole contrivance (channel, ~-plate, & DEAD-eyes) for widening basis of shrouds; (pl.) leadman's platform. 6. ~ *armour*, mail, made of interlaced rings; ~ *bridge*, = suspension; ~ *coupling*, extra coupling of railway vans in case of accident to screw coupling; ~-gang (of convicts ~ed together, or forced to work in ~s); ~-letter, a letter of which the recipient is asked to make copies to be sent to a (named) number of others (these doing the like in their turn); ~ *moulding*, archit. ornament with link carving; ~ *reaction*, chem. reaction forming intermediate products which react with the original substance & are repeatedly renewed; ~ *smoker* (who lights another cigarette or cigar from the stump of the one last smoked); ~ *stitch*, ornamental sewing like ~, (sewing machine) simple sewing

(cf. *look¹-stitch*); *~*store*, one of a series of shops owned by one firm & selling the same goods; ~*wale*, = CHANNEL²; ~*wheel*, transmitting power by ~fitted to its edge; hence ~LESS a., ~LET n. 7. v.t. Secure, confine, with chain (lit. & fig.). [f. OF *chaîne* f. L. *catena*]

chair, n., & v.t. 1. Separate seat for one, of various forms (ARM¹ or elbow, BATH¹, CURULE, DECK¹, EASY¹; take a ~, sit down). 2. Seat of authority; professorship; || mayoralty (*past* or *above* the C~, below the C~, of alderman who has, has not, been mayor). 3. Seat, office, of person presiding at meeting, public dinner, etc. (*take, leave*, the ~, begin, end, the proceedings); chairman (*address, appeal to, the ~*; 'chair! chair!', protest against disorder). 4. (Railway) iron or steel socket holding rail in place. 5. (Hist.) = SEDAN. 6. *Electric ~. 7. v.t. Install in chair of authority; || place in chair & carry aloft (winner of contest, election, etc.). [f. OF *chaïre* f. L. f. Gk *kathedra* (CATHEDRAL)]

chair'man, n. (pl. ~*men*; fem. *chair'woman*). Person chosen to preside over meeting, permanent president of committee, board, etc. (C~ of Committees, in Houses of Parl., presiding instead of Lord Chancellor & Speaker when House is in Committee), whence ~SHIP n.; one who keeps or propels a Bath chair; (Hist.) one of two sedan-bearers.

chaise (shāz), n. Pleasure or travelling carriage of various shapes, usu. now low, four-wheeled, & open, with one or two ponies; POST~. [F. var. of *chaire* f. OF *chaïre* CHAIR]

chalcēd'onŷ (k-), cal-, n. Precious stone of quartz kind with many varieties as agate, cornelian, chrysoprase. [f. L. *chalcēdonius* f. Gk *chalkēdōn* etym. dub.]

chālco- (k-), comb. form esp. in mineralogical terms = copper-, brass-. [f. Gk *chalkos*]

chālcoŷraphŷ (k-), n. Art of engraving on copper. [prec., -GRAPHY]

chālcopyrite (k-; -f-), n. A copper ore, yellow or copper pyrites. [CHALCO-, PYRITE]

Chalde'an, Chaldee' (kāl-), a. & n. (Native) of Chaldea or Babylon; soothsayer, astrologer. [f. L. f. Gk *khaldaïos* + -AN]

chald'ron (-awl-), n. Coal measure, 36 bushels. [f. OF *chauldron* as CAULDRON]

chalet (shāl'ā), n. Swiss mountain dairy-hut; Swiss peasant's wooden cottage; villa in this style; street lavatory. [F. Swiss wd perh. dim. of *casella* dim. of It. *casa* house]

chāl'ice, n. Goblet; eucharistic wine-cup (*mixed* ~, with water ceremonially added); (*poet.*) flower-cup, whence **chāl'icm¹** (chāl' a. [OF (now *calice*), f. L. CALIX])

chalk¹ (-awk), n. White soft earthy

limestone used for burning into lime & for writing & drawing; coloured preparation of like texture used in crayons for drawing; as like as ~ & cheese, unlike in essentials; by a long ~, by long ~s, by far (f. use of ~ to score points in games); ~*bed*, stratum of ~; ~*pit*, quarry; ~*stone*, gouty concretion like ~ in tissues & joints esp. of hands & feet. [OE/cealc, com.-WG, cf. G *kalk*, f. L. *calx* -cis lime]

chalk² (-awk), v.t. Rub, mark, draw, write, write up, with chalk; ~ *out*, sketch, plan as thing to be accomplished (often for oneself). [f. prec.]

chalk³ (y' (-awk-), a. Abounding in, white as, chalk; like or containing chalk-stones. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

chäll'enge¹ (-), n. Calling to account (*sentry's* ~, 'Who goes there?'); exception taken (e.g. to jurymen); summons to trial or contest, esp. to duel, defiance. [f. OF *challenge* f. L. *calumniā* CALUMNY]

chäll'enge² (-), v.t. Call to account (of sentry, & fig.); take exception to (evidence, jurymen), dispute, deny; claim (attention, admiration, etc.); invite to contest, game, or duel, defy. Hence ~EABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [f. OF *challenger* f. LL *calumniare* (CALUMNY)]

chäll'is, n. Lady's-dress fabric. [f.]

chalŷb'ēate (ka-), a. Impregnated with iron (of mineral water or spring). [Irreg. for *chalybate* f. L. f. Gk *khalups* -ubos steel + -ATE²]

cham (kām), n. Great ~, autocrat (of dominant critic etc., esp. Dr Johnson). [obs. form of KHAN]

chamade (shamahd'), n. Signal for retreat on drum or trumpet. [F. f. Port. *chamada* (*chamar* f. L. *clamare* call, -ADE)]

chamāt', n. Member of the very low Indian caste of leather-workers; tanner, shoemaker. [Hind.]

chām'ber, n. Room, esp. bedroom (poet. or arch.; but ~ *music*, for small instrumental combinations; ~ *concert*, of such music; ~ *orchestra*, organ, small); (pl.) set of rooms in larger building, esp. in Inns of Court, let separately, judge's room for hearing cases not needing to be taken in court; (hall used by) deliberative or judicial body, one of the houses of a parliament; C~ of Commerce, Agriculture, board organized to forward these in a district; (also ~*pot*) vessel for urine; ~ *counsel*, lawyer giving opinions in private, not practising in court; ~*maid*, housemaid at inn; enclosed space in body of animal or plant, or in machinery etc. (esp. part of gun-bore, of larger diameter in some guns, separate in revolver, that contains charge). Hence (-)~ED² (-erd) a., ~ING¹ n. (arch.), licentiousness. [f. F *chambre* f. L. *camera* f. Aryan kam-cover over cf. Gk *kamara* vault]

chām'berlain (-lin), n. Officer managing household of sovereign or great noble;

Lord Great C~ of England, hereditary holder of ceremonial office; *Lord C~ of the Household*, with part management of Royal Household, & licenser of plays. Hence ~SHIP n. [OF, f. Teut. ⁺ *kamarling* (OHG *chamarling*) f. *kamara* f. L *camera* see prec.]

chamél'éjon (ka-), n. Small prehensile-tailed long-tongued lizard with power of changing colour & of living long without food; inconstant person. Hence ~ON'IC a., ~ON-LIKE a. & adv. [f. L f. Gk *khamaileôn* (*khamaí* on ground, *leôn* lion)]

chám'fer, v.t., & n. Bevel symmetrically (right-angled edge or corner); (n.) surface so given (*hollow* or *concave* ~, made as with gouge instead of chisel); channel, flute, (v.t. & n.). [f. OF *chanfraindre* (OANT, L *frangere*) lit. break-corner]

chamois (shám'wah, in sense 2 shám'I), n. 1. Wild mountain antelope of goat size. 2. (Also ~leather, *shammy*, *shammy-leather*) soft pliable leather from sheep, goats, deer, etc. [F. prob. f. Swiss Rom.; cf. It. *camozza*, also G *gemse* (OHG *game*)]

chám'omile, = CAMOMILE.

chám'p, v.t. & i., & n. Munch (fodder) noisily; work (bit) noisily in teeth; (make) chewing action or noise. [prob. imit.]

champagne (shám'pán'), n. Kinds of wine from E. France (usu. white & sparkling). [name of province, = foll.]

chám'paign (-án), n. (Expense of) open country. [f. OF *champagne*=CAMPAÑA]

chám'pert'y, n. (law). The offence of assisting a party in a suit in which one is not naturally interested with a view to receiving a share of the disputed property. So ~OUS a. [f. F *champart* feudal lord's part of produce, f. L *campus* field, *pars* part]

chám'pion, n. & a., & v.t. 1. Person who fights, argues, etc., for another or for a cause (*King's*, *Queen's*, C~, or C~ of *England*, hereditary official at coronations). 2. Athlete etc., animal, plant, etc., that has defeated all competitors (often as adj., ~ *boxer*, ~ *turnip*); (as adj. or adv., dial. or vulg.) first-class, prime, top-hole, splendidly. Hence ~LESS a., ~SHIP n. 3. v.t. Maintain the cause of. [OF, f. LL *campionem* nom. -to fighter (L *campus* CAMP¹)]

champlevé (shám'plévá), a. & n. *enamel* or ~, enamel in which the colours are filled into hollows made in the surface (cf. *cloisonné*) [F, = raised field]

chance¹ (-ahns), n. & a. 1. Way things fall out, fortune; undesigned occurrence; opportunity; (Cricket) opportunity of dismissing a batsman given to a fieldsmán (esp. in phr. *give a ~*); possibility; probability (esp. in pl., as *the ~s are against it*); absence of design or discoverable cause; course of events regarded as a power, fate; *by ~*, as it falls or fell out, without design; *on the ~*, in view of the

possibility (of, *that*); *take one's ~*, let things go as they may, consent to take what comes; *the main ~*, that of getting rich; *stand a (good, fair) ~*, have a prospect; *chance*, = by ~, as ~ *sown tree*. 2. adj. Fortuitous (a ~ *companion*, *meeting*). [f. OF *cheance* f. LL *cadentia* n. (L *cadere* fall, -ENCE)]

chance² (-ahns), v.i. & t. Happen (arch. in abs. use, getting rare in constr. *it ~d that*, *he ~d to do*); ~ *upon*, happen to find, meet, or come upon; (colloq.) risk (esp. ~ *it*); ~ *one's arm* (colloq.), take one's chance of doing something successfully (prob. orig. Army sl., from a N.C.O.'s risking the loss of his stripes). [f. prec.]

chan'cel (-ah-), n. Eastern part of church reserved for clergy, choir, etc., & usu. raised off. [OF, f. LL *cancellus* f. L *cancelli* lattice-bars]

chan'cellery (-ah-), -ory, n. Position, staff, department, official residence, of a chancellor; office attached to embassy or consulate. [f. OF *chancelerie* (*chancelier* see foll., -RY)]

chan'cellor (-ah-), n. State or law official of various kinds; *Lord C~* (also *C~ of England*, *Lord High C~*), highest judge, presiding in H. of Lords & in Chancery Div. of Supreme Court; C~ of EXCHEQUER; C~ of *Duchy of Lancaster*, member of government (legally representative of King as Duke of Lancaster), often Cabinet minister who does not desire departmental work; C~ of *bishop* or *diocese*, bishop's law officer; C~ of *Garter* or other order, who seals commissions etc.; titular head of university (Vice-C~ performing duties); (Germany, Austro-Hungary) chief minister of State. Hence ~SHIP n. [ME *c(h)ancelor* f. OF *c(h)ancelier* (-or²) f. L *cancellarius* law-court usher (*cancelli* grating)]

chance-méd'ley (-ah-), n. (Law) action, esp. homicide, mainly but not entirely unintentional; inadvertency. [AF *chance médlee* (see MIDDLE) mixed chance]

chan'cery (-ah-), n. (C~) Lord Chancellor's court, a division of High Court of Justice (formerly a separate court of equity for cases with no remedy in common-law Courts, whence the meaning, still in U.S. & in literature, of court of equity); office for public records; (Boxing) *in ~*, with head held under opponent's arm being pommelled (from difficulty of getting clear of old Court of C~). [shortened f. CHANCELLERY]

chancre (shánk'er), n. Venereal ulcer. [F, = CANCER]

chan'cy (-ah-), a. Uncertain, risky. [CHANCE¹, -Y²]

chándelier (-sh-), n. Branched hanging support for several lights. [F, see foll.]

chand'ler (-ah-), n. Dealer in candles, oil, soap, paint, & groceries (*corn ~*, in corn; *ship ~*, in cordage, canvas, etc.). Hence

chand'lery (1) (-ah-) n. [f. OF *chandelier* (L *candela* CANDLE, -ARY¹)]

chänge' (-j), n. Alteration; substitution of one for another, variety (for a ~); whence ~'FUL (1) (-jġ-), ~'LESS (-jġ-), aa.; *Change* (now usu. but wrongly '*Change*'), place where merchants meet (on C~, engaged there); arrival of moon at fresh phase (prop. at new moon only); ~ of clothes, second outfit in reserve; lower coins given for higher one or for foreign money; money returned as balance of that tendered for article (*take one's, the, ~ out of*, *avenge oneself on*); *get no ~ out of* (a person), *fail to get the better of him* (in business, argument, etc.); (Bell-ringing, usu. pl.) different orders in which peal can be rung (*ring the ~s fig.*, exhaust ways of putting or doing thing); ~over, alteration from one working system to another, reversal (of the situation in affairs, of opinions, etc.). [OF, f. LL *cambium* (*cambire* CHANGE²)]

chänge' (-j), v.t. & i. 1. Take another instead of (~ one's coat); resign, get rid of, for; give or get smaller or foreign coin for (money); put on different clothes; go from one to another of (*thing ~s hands*, passes to different owner; ~ houses, carriages; also abs. ~ trains, boats, etc.); give & receive, exchange, (~ places with, we ~d places); make or become different (often *to, into, from*), (moon) arrive at fresh phase, esp. become new moon; ~ colour, turn pale or bluish; ~ one's feet (colloq.), put on other shoes etc.; ~ front, take new position in argument etc.; ~ one's condition, marry; ~ one's mind, adopt new plan or opinion; ~ one's note or tune, become more humble, sad, etc.; ~ step, foot, feet, time other foot to drum in marching. [f. OF *changer* f. LL *cambiare* (*cambium* f. L *cambire* barter of Gk *kampturn* back)]

chänge'a|ble (-ja-), a. Irregular, inconsistent; alterable. Hence or cogn. ~BIL'ITY (-ja-), ~bleness (-ja-, -in-), nm. [F, see prec., -ABLE]

chänge'ling (-jġ-), n. Thing or child substituted for another by stealth, esp. elf-child thus left by fairies. [CHANGE² + -LING¹]

chänn'el', n., & v.t. (-jġ-). 1. Natural or artificial bed of running water; (Geog.) piece of water, wider than strait, joining two larger pieces, usu. seas (|| the C~, English C~); tubular passage for liquid; course in which anything moves, direction, line; medium, agency; groove, flute; ~ iron (or bar), rolled iron bar or beam flanged to form a ~ on one side. 2. v.t. Form ~s in, groove; cut out (*way etc.*). [f. OF *chanel* var. of CANAL]

chänn'el', n. Broad thick plank projecting horizontally from ship's side abreast of mast to broaden base for shrouds; (mod., sing. or pl.) level of deck (*rolling*

~s under). [for *chainwale* (WALE) cf. *gunnel* for *gunwale*]

chant (-ah-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Song; (Mus.) short musical passage in two or more phrases each beginning with reciting note, for singing to psalms & canticles (*single, double, quadruple*, as one, two, four, verses are sung to it); measured monotonous song; sing-song intonation in talk. 2. vb. Sing; utter musically; intone, sing to a ~; ~ the praises of, constantly praise; ~ horses, sell fraudulently. [f. F *chant(er)* song, sing, f. L *cantus* -ūs, *cantare*, (*canere* cant-sing)]

chan'tage (-ah-), n. Blackmailing. [F] **chan'ter** (-ah-), n. In vbl senses; also: melody-pipe, with finger-holes, of bag-pipe; (also *horse*~) swindling horse-dealer. [-ER¹]

chanterelle' (-ah-), n. Yellow edible fungus. [F, dim. f. L f. Gk *kantharos* drinking-cup]

chan'ticleer (-ah-), n. (Personal name for) domestic cock. [f. OF *chanicleer* (CHANT, CLEAR), name in *Reynard the Fox*]

chan'tress (-ah-), n. Female singer (arch. or poet.). [f. OF *chanteresse*, see CHANTER, -ESS¹]

chan'try (-ah-), n. Endowment for priest(s) to sing masses for founder's soul; priests, chapel, altar, so endowed. [f. OF *chanterie* (*chanter* CHANT, -ERY)]

chan'ty (-ah-), **shän'ty**, n. Sailors' song (with alternating solo by ~man, & chorus) in heaving. [prob. f. F *chanter*, imperat. pl. of *chanter* see prec.]

chä'ös (kä-), n. Formless void or great deep of primordial matter (C~, this personified as eldest of the gods); utter confusion. Hence (irreg.) **chäöt'ic** a., **chäöt'ically** adv. [L, f. Gk *khaois*; -otic on false anal. of *erotic* etc.]

chäp', v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Crack (t. & i.) in fissures (usu. of skin, by wind etc., also of dried-up earth etc.). 2. n. (Usu. pl.) crack(s), open seam(s), esp. in skin; hence ~p'y² a. [ME *chappen*, cf. MDu. *cappen*, & CHIP, CHOP]

chäp', **chöp**, n. (Pl.) jaws, esp. of beasts (lick one's ~s, w. relish or anticipation), cheeks (*fat-chops*, *fat-faced person*); (sing.) lower jaw or half of cheek, esp. of pig as food (*Bath chap*; ~fallen, with jaw hanging down, dispirited, dejected); *chops of the Channel*, entrance from Atlantic to Channel. [f. prec.]

chäp', n. (colloq.). Man, boy, fellow. [short for CHAPMAN of. *customer*]

***chaparejos** (*chahparé'hös*), n. pl. Cow-boy's leather or sheepskin overalls for legs. [Mex. Sp.; often abbr. as **chäps** (oh- or sh-)]

***chäparräl'**, n. (Thicket of) dwarf evergreen oak; ~cock, fast-running bird. [Sp., f. *chaparra* evergreen oak]

chäp-böök, n. (biblog.). Specimen of popular literature (usu. small pamphlet of

tales, ballads, tracts) formerly hawked by chapmen. [mod. wd. see CHAPMAN]
châpe, n. Metal cap of scabbard-point; back-piece of buckle attaching it to strap etc.; || sliding loop on belt or strap. [F, f. LL *capa* CAP¹]

chapeau-bras (shapô-brah'), n. (hist.). Three-cornered flat silk hat of 18th c. carried under arm. [F, = arm-hat]

châp'el, n. Place of Christian worship other than parish church or cathedral, esp. one attached to private house or institution (~ *royal*, of royal palace); oratory in larger building, with altar, esp. compartment of cathedral etc. separately dedicated (*Lady*~, dedicated to Virgin, usu. E. of high altar); subordinate Anglican church, esp. ~ of *ease*, for convenience of remote parishioners; || R.-C. or dissenters' place of worship in Britain; ~ service or attendance at ~ (*keep a*~, be present, in colleges); (Print.) printing-office, journeyman printers' association or meeting. [f. OF *chapele* f. LL *cappella* dim. of *cappa* cloak (CAP²); first ~ was sanctuary in which St Martin's sacred cloak was kept by *cappellani*]

chappelle ardente (shâpel' ârdahnt'), n. Chamber prepared for lying-in-state of great personage & lit up with candles, torches, etc. [F]

châp'el'ry, n. District served by chapel. [-RY]

châp'erôn (sh-), n., & v.t. 1. Married or elderly woman in charge of girl on social occasions; hence ~AGE n. 2. v.t. Act as ~ to. [F, = hood, chaperon, dim. of *chape* cope (CAP³)]

châp'iter, n. (bibl.). Capital of column. [earlier form of CHAPTEL]

châp'lain (-lin), n. Clergyman officiating in private chapel of great person or institution, on board ship, or for regiment etc.; nun reciting inferior services in nunnery. Hence ~CY (-lin-) n. [f. OF *chapelain* f. LL *cappellanus* (CHAPEL, -AN)]

châp'lét, n. Wreath of flowers, leaves, gold, gems, etc., for head; string of beads for counting prayers (one-third of rosary number), or as necklace; string of eggs in toad etc.; bead-moulding. Hence ~ED³ a. [f. OF *chapelet* dim. of CHAPE, see -LET]

châp'man, n. (hist.; pl. -men). Pedlar. [OE *céapmann* (*céap* n. barter, *mann* man) cf. G *kaufmann* merchant, Du. *koopman*, & see CHEAP]

châpp'ie, -ÿ, n. (colloq.). Exquisite, man about town. [CHAP³ + -Y³]

châp'ter, n. Main division of a book (abbr. *cap.*, *ch.*, *c.*), (fig.) limited subject, piece of narrative, etc.; || Act of Parl. numbered as part of session's statutes for reference (5 & 6 Will. IV. cap. 62 = Statutory Declarations Act 1836); general meeting, whole number, of canons of collegiate or cathedral church or members of monastic or knightly order (

house, used for such meetings); ~ & *verse*, exact reference to passage, exact authority for statement; *to end of*~, for ever; ~ of ACCIDENTS. [for CHAPTER f. OF *capit're* f. L *capitulum* dim. of *caput* -itis head]

char¹, n. Hill trout of Wales etc. [?]

char². (Now usu. form of) CHARE.

char³, v.t. & i. (-rr-). Burn (t. & i.) to charcoal, scorch, blacken with fire. [prob. back-formation f. CHARCOAL]

char-à-banc(s) (shá'rabáŋg, or as in Ap.), n. Long vehicle, with many seats looking forward, for holiday excursions. [F *char à bancs*=benched carriage]

chá'racter (kárík-), n., & v.t. 1. Distinctive mark; (pl.) inscribed letters or figures; national writing-symbols (*in the German* ~); person's handwriting. 2. Characteristic (esp. of species etc. in Nat. Hist.); collective peculiarities, sort, style; person's or race's idiosyncrasy, mental or moral nature. 3. Moral strength, backbone; reputation, good reputation; description of person's qualities; testimonial; status. 4. Known person (usu. *public* ~); imaginary person created by novelist or dramatist; actor's or hypocrite's part (*in, out of*~, appropriate to these or not, also more widely of actions that are in accord or not with person's ~). 5. Eccentric person (~ *actor*, who devotes himself to eccentricities). 6. v.t. (poet. & arch.). Inscribe; describe. [f. F *caractère* f. L L Gk *kharaktér* stamp (*kharattó* engrave)]
chá'racteris'tic (ká-), a. & n. Typical, distinctive, (trait, mark, quality), whence ~ICALLY adv.; (Math.) index of logarithm. [f. Gk *kharaktéristikos* (prec., -íst-, -io)]
chá'racteriz'e (ká-), v.t. Describe character of; describe as; be characteristic of, impart character to. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. med. L f. Gk *kharaktérízō* (CHARACTER, -IZE)]

chá'racterl'ess (ká-), a. Ordinary, undistinguished; without testimonial. [-LESS]

charade (sharahd'), n. Game of guessing word from written or acted clue given for each syllable & for the whole. [F, f. Pr. *charrada* (*charrá* chatter)]

chárc'cal, n. Black porous residue of partly burnt wood, bones, etc., form of carbon (occas. v. allus. to use of the fumes as method of suicide); ~-burner, maker of this. [perh. f. CHARE + COAL in sense (*wood*) *turned coal*]

chá're, **chá'rt**, n., (usu. pl.), & v.i. (-r-, -rr-). (Do) odd job(s); work by the day at housecleaning; || *char* (colloq.), char-woman. [OE *cerr*, *cerran*, turn; U.S. *chore*]

chá'rg'e¹, n. 1. Material load; right quantity to put into thing, esp. of explosive for gun; figurative load. 2. (Her.) device, bearing. 3. Expense (*at his own* ~); price demanded for service or goods. 4. Task, duty, commission; care, custody,

(of; nurse in ~ of child, child in ~ of nurse; CURATE in ~; || give person in ~, hand over to police); take ~, (colloq., of things) get out of control (esp. with disastrous results); thing or person entrusted, minister's flock. 5. Exhortation, directions, (parting ~, bishop's ~, judge's ~ to jury). 6. Accusation (lay to one's ~, accuse him of; || ~sheet, record of cases at police station). 7. Impetuous attack, rush, (return to the ~, begin again, esp. in argument); (Mil.) signal sounded for attack. [F, f. Rom. *carga* f. LL *carrica* (L *carricare* see foll.)]

charge², v.t. & i. 1. Load, fill to the full or proper extent, (vessel, gun with explosive); saturate (air with vapour, water with chemicals, accumulator with electricity, memory with facts). 2. Entrust with (~ oneself with, undertake). 3. Command to do, exhort (esp. of bishop, judge). 4. Accuse, impute, (person with action, fault upon person); saddle with (liability), place (liability) on. 5. Demand (price) for (also ~ person price for). 6. Attack (t. & i.) impetuously, esp. on horseback. 7. Place (weapon) in position for use (~ bayonets, bring down to receive cavalry ~). [f. OF *charger*, cf. prec., f. L *carricare* (*carrus* CAR¹)]

charge³able (-ja-), a. 1. Expensive (arch.). 2. Liable to be charged with (accused of); subject to a money demand; liable to be made an expense (~ to the parish); imputable to (on); proper to be added to an account. Hence **chargeability** (-ja-) n. [1 f. CHARGE¹, 2 f. CHARGE², +ABLE]

chargé (d'affaires) (shāzh'ā dāfā'), n. (pl. -gés pr. as sing.). Deputy ambassador; ambassador at minor court. [F, = one charged with affairs]

char¹ger¹, n. (arch.). Large flat dish. [ME *chargeour* perh. f. CHARGE² + OR¹ (loader), or f. OF *chargeoir* (CHARGE² & as PARLOUR)]

char²ger², n. In vbl senses; esp., (Mil.) officer's horse. [-ER¹]

char³riot, n., & v.t. Stately vehicle, triumphal car, (poet. & esp. fig. of sun's ~ etc.); 18th-c. four-wheeled carriage with back seats only; (Hist.) car used in ancient fighting & racing, whence **charioteer** n.; (vb) convey as or in ~. [OF, augment. of *char* CAR]

char⁴itable, a. Liberal in giving to the poor; connected with such giving; wont to judge favourably of persons, acts, & motives. Hence ~leness (-ln-), n., ~ly² adv. [OF (*charité* = foll., -ABLE)]

char⁵ity, n. Christian love of fellow men (in, out of, ~ with); kindness, natural affection, (~ begins at home, is due first to kith & kin); candour, freedom from censoriousness, imputing of good motives when possible, leniency; beneficence, liberality to the poor, alms-giving (pl., acts of this), alms; institution for helping

the helpless, help so given, (cold as ~, in allusion to mechanical administration; ~-boy, -girl, brought up in such place); ~-boy, ~-girl, brought up in such place); ~-brother, ~-sister, of C~, member of religious society devoted to relieving poor; C~ Commission(ers), board created 1853 to control charitable trusts. [f. OF *charité* f. L *caritatem* (*carus* dear, -RY)]

charivari (sh-), n. Medley of sounds, hubbub. [F, etym. dub.; prop. a serenade of pans, trays, etc., to unpopular person]

char⁶k'a, n. Country-made Indian spinning-wheel. [Hind. *charkha*]

|| **char⁷lady**, sl. var. of CHARWOMAN.

char⁸latan (sh-), n. & a. Impostor in medicine, quack; (of, as of) empty pretender to knowledge or skill. Hence ~ish¹ (1) a., ~ism (2), ~ry, nn. [F, f. It. *ciarlatano* (*ciarlare* patter)]

Charles's Wain (-lzlz), n. (Also *Plough*, *Great Bear*) constellation *Ursa Major* or its seven bright stars. [OE *Carles wægn*; wain of Arcturus, neighbouring constellation, became wain of Arthur, who was confused with the other great hero Charlemagne]

Charles⁹ton (-lzl-), n., & v.i. An American dance with side-kicks from the knee; (vb) dance this, kick thus. [f. ~ in S. Carolina] || **Char¹⁰l'ey**, n. (old colloq.). Night-watchman. [dim. of *Charles*]

char¹¹lock, n. Field mustard. [OE *cerlic*]

char¹²lotte (sh-), n. Kinds of pudding made of stewed fruit with casing or layers or covering of bread, biscuits, sponge-cake, or bread-crumbs; ~ russe, custard enclosed in sponge cake. [F]

char¹³m, n. Verse, sentence, word, act, or object having occult power (against), spell; thing worn to avert evil etc., amulet; trinket on watch-chain etc.; quality, feature, exciting love or admiration (~s, beauty); attractiveness, indefinable power of delighting, (esp. as literary critics' word). [f. F *charme* f. L *carmen* song]

char¹⁴m, v.t. Bewitch, influence (as) by magic, (abs. or with pred. as ~ asleep, away); ~ (secret, consent, etc.) out of; endow with magic power (bear a ~ed life); captivate, delight, (~ed with); give pleasure to (I shall be ~ed as polite formula); (part.) delightful, whence ~ingly² adv. [f. F *charmer* (CHARM¹)]

char¹⁵m'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., beautiful woman (now joc. or arch.). [-ER¹]

charmeuse (shārm'ēz), n. Soft smooth silk dress-fabric. [F]

char¹⁶n'el-house, n. House or vault in which dead bodies or bones are piled. [OF *charnel* burying-place f. LL *carnale* (CARNAL)]

Char¹⁷'on (k-), n. Ferryman conveying souls across Styx to Hades in Gk mythol. (~s boat, ferry, etc., phrr. for hour of death). [f. Gk *Charōn*]

char'poy, *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Light Indian bedstead. [f. Hind. *charpat*]

chart, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Navigator's sea map, with coast outlines, rocks, shoals, etc.; outline map with conspectus of special conditions, as *magnetic* ~; record by curves etc. of fluctuations in temperature, prices, etc.; sheet of tabulated information; hence ~'LESS *a.* 2. *v.t.* Make ~ of, map. [OF, f. *L. carta* CARD¹]

chart'er¹, *n.* Written grant of rights by sovereign or legislature, esp. creation of borough, company, etc. (*Great C*~, *MAGNA CHARTA*); deed conveying land; = CHARTER-PARTY; privilege, admitted right. [f. OF *chartre* f. *L. cartula* dim. of *carta* CARD¹]

chart'er², *v.t.* Grant charter, give privilege, to (|| ~ed accountant, member of Institute of Accountants with royal charter; ~ed *libertine*, one allowed to take liberties); hire (ship) by ~-party, (loosely) hire (vehicle etc.). Hence ~ER¹ *n.* [f. prec.]

Chart'erhouse, *n.* Alms-house in London for aged pensioners on site of Carthusian monastery; (also ~ *School*) public school of same foundation now at Godalming. [corrupt. of CHARTREUSE]

chart'er-party, *n.* Deed between ship-owner & merchant for hire of ship & delivery of cargo. [f. *F. charte partie* divided document, INDENTURE]

chart'ism, -ist, *nn.* (hist.). Principles, adherent, of reform movement of 1837-48. [f. *L. charta* + -ISM(3), -IST(2), name taken from the democratic manifesto 'People's Charter']

chart'og'raphy (k-), etc. See *car-*.
chartreuse (see Ap.). *n.* Carthusian monastery; kinds (*green, yellow, ~*) of liqueur; pale apple-green colour. [made by CARTHUSIAN monks]

chart'ulary (k-). See *car-*.

|| chart'woman (-wôb-). *n.* Woman hired by the day or hour for house-work. [CHARE]

char'y, *a.* Cautious; shy of, sparing *in, doing*; stingy of (~ of praise). Hence **char'ily**¹ *adv.*, **char'iness** *n.* [OE *cearig* = OSax. *karug* f. *O. Teut. kard* CARE]

Char'yb'dis (ka-), *n.* See *SCYLLA*.

châse¹, *n.* Pursuit (*in ~* of, pursuing; *give ~*, go in pursuit), hunting (*the ~*, hunting as sport); (also *chace*) unenclosed park-land; hunted animal or pursued ship; (Hist.) ~, ~-port, ~-gun, *chaser, bow*~, *stern*~, *bow, stern, -chaser, gun, port*, in bow or stern for use while chasing or being chased; (Tennis) a certain stroke. [ME & OF *chace* (LL + *captiare* CATCH²)]

châse², *v.t.* Pursue; drive from, out of, to, etc.; ~ (colloq.), tot of spirit taken after coffee, small quantity of water taken after drinking neat spirits (also fig.). [see CATCH¹]

châse³, *v.t.* Emboss, engrave, (metal). [for poet. & arch. *enchase* = set (jewels), inlay, engrave, enshrine; f. *F. enchaîner* (en in, CARE²)]

châse⁴, *n.* Part of gun enclosing bore; groove cut to receive pipe etc. [f. *F. chas* f. LL *capsus* hollow of the chest (*L. capere* hold)]

châse⁵, *n.* Iron frame holding composed type for page or sheet. [f. *F. châsse* CASE¹]

chasm (kâ'zm), *n.* Deep fissure; break of continuity, hiatus; wide difference of feeling, interests, etc., between persons or parties; void, blank. Hence (poet.) ~Y¹ *a.* [f. *L. f. Gk khasma* (khaskô gape, -m)]

chasse (shahs), *n.* Liqueur after coffee etc. [F]

chassé (shâ'sâ), *n.*, & *v.i.* (Make) gliding step in dancing; ~ *croisé* (see Ap.; pl. -s -a), double ~, (fig.) idle manoeuvring. [F]

chassepot (shâ'spô), *n.* French army breech-loading rifle. [inventor's name]
chassis (shâ'sê), *n.* (pl. the same). Base-frame of gun-carriage, motor-car, etc. [f. *F. châssis* (LL *capsus* wagon-body f. *L. capere* take)]

chaste, *a.* Abstaining from unlawful or immoral (also from all) sexual intercourse, pure, virgin; decent (of speech); restrained, severe, pure in taste or style, unadorned, simple. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) *adv.* [OF, f. *L. castus*]

châ'sten (-sn), *v.t.* Discipline, correct by suffering, (usu. of God, Providence, etc., or of trouble etc.); make chaste in style etc., refine; temper, subdue, (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~ER¹ (-sener) *n.* [prec. + -ER¹]

châstise¹ (-z), *v.t.* Punish; beat. Hence **châstisement** (-zm-), ~ER¹, *nn.* [form unexplained; ME has *chastien, chasten*, (later *chasty, chaste*) f. OF *chastier* f. *L. castigare*]

châ'stity, *n.* Continence; virginity, celibacy; simplicity of style or taste. [f. OF *chastele* f. *L. castitatem* (castus CHASTE, -TY)]

châ'suble (-z), *n.* Sleeveless vestment of celebrant at Mass or Eucharist with colour regulated by the feast of the day. [F, f. med. *L. casubula* dim. of *casa* cottage]

chât¹, *v.i.* (-tt-) & *n.* (Indulge in) easy familiar talk. Hence ~t'Y¹ *a.*, ~t'iness *n.* [short for CHATTER]

chât², *n.* Kinds of bird, chiefly Warblers (usu. in comb. as *Stone, Whin, ~*). [f. prec.]

châteaux (shât'ô), *n.* (pl. -s, pr. -z). Foreign country house; C~, used attrib. in names of French wines made near certain ~s. [F]

chât'elaine (sh-), *n.* Set of short chains attached to woman's belt for carrying keys, watch, pencil, etc.; mistress of country house; (esp. in journalistic use) hostess. [F (shâ-), = mistress of prec.]

chât'el, *n.* Movable possession (usu. pl., esp. *goods &c*); ~ *mortgage*, conveyance of ~s by mortgage as security for debt. [f. OF *châtel* see CHATEL]

chätt'er, v.i. & n. 1. (Of birds) utter quick series of short notes; (of persons) talk quickly, incessantly, foolishly, or inopportunistly; (of teeth) rattle together (also of ill-adjusted parts of machine). 2. n. Any of these sounds; ~box, child etc. given to ~. [imit., see -ER¹]

chaud-froid (shō'frwah'), n. Dish of filleted poultry etc. served cold in jelly or sauce. [F, lit. hot-cold]

chauff'er, n. Metal basket holding fire; portable furnace with air-holes. [f. F *chauffoir* f. L *calefactorius* CALEFACTORY]

chauffeur (shōf'er, shōf'er'), n. Professional driver of a motor-car. Hence **chauffeuse** (shōf'erz') n., female ~. [F]

chaulmōō'gra, n. East-Indian tree; ~oil, vegetable fat obtained from its seeds & used in treatment of leprosy. [native name]

chaumontēl' (shō-), n. Large kind of pear. [name of French village]

chauvinism (shōv-), n. Bellicose patriotism, foreign jingoism. So ~IST(2) n. & a., ~is'tic a. [*Chauvin*, Napoleonic veteran, person in *Coguard's Cocarde Tricolore* 1881]

chaw, v.t. & n. (now vulg.). Chew; *~up, utterly defeat; ~bacon, bumpkin; (n.) quid of tobacco. [var. of CHEW]

chawl, n. Large tenement house peculiar to Indian cities (esp. Bombay). [native name]

cheap, a. Inexpensive (of thing, price, shop, dealer; ~ & nasty, of low cost & bad quality); worth more than its cost; easily got; worthless, of little account, staled, (hold ~, despise); (as pred.) = cheaply (got it ~ etc.); dirt ~, very ~; feel ~ (sl.), be out of sorts; on the ~, in ~ manner; O~ Jack, travelling hawker; || ~ trip(per), excursion(ist) by rail etc. at reduced fares. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS¹(2) a., ~NESS n. [f. phr. *good cheap* f. obs. *cheap* n., OE *cēap* barter, price, com.-Teut. cf. G *kauf* purchase]

cheap'en, v.t. & i. Haggle for (arch.); make or become cheap, depreciate. [-ER¹]

cheat, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Trick, fraud; swindler, deceiver; card-game in which undetected cheating is licensed. 2. vb. Deceive, trick (person out of thing); deal fraudulently; while away (time, fatigue). [ME *cheke* short for ESCHEAT]

check¹, int. & n. 1. (Announcement of) exposure of chess king to attack. 2. Sudden arrest given to motion, rebuff, repulse; slight military reverse. 3. (Hunt.) loss of the scent. 4. Stoppage, pause; restraint on action (keep in ~, under control); person or thing that restrains. 5. Control to secure accuracy; token of identification for left luggage, seat-holder, etc. 6. *Counter at cards (hence colloq., hand in one's ~s, die). 7. action in piano, restraining hammer from

striking string twice; ~nut, screwed on over nut to prevent its working loose; ~rein, attaching one horse's rein to other's bit, also rein preventing horse from lowering head; ~string, in carriage for signalling to driver to stop; ~taker, collector of pass tokens in theatre etc.; ~till, in shop, recording receipts. [f. OF *eschec* f. Arab. f. Pers. *shah* king]

check², v.t. & i. 1. Threaten opponent's king at chess. 2. Suddenly arrest motion of. 3. (Of hounds) stop on losing scent, or to make sure of it. 4. Restrain, curb, (Mil., of superior) find fault with, rebuke. 5. Test (statement, account, figures, employés) by comparison etc., examine accuracy of. [f. OF *eschiquer* play chess, check, as prec.]

check³, n. Cross-lined pattern; fabric woven or printed with this. So ~ED¹ (-kt) a. [perh. short for CHEQUER]

check⁴, n. = CHEQUE.

check'er. See CHEQUER¹,².

***check'ers**, n. pl. The game of draughts. [see CHEQUER¹]

checkmate¹, int. & n., & v.t. (also *mate*, now more used in chess but not in fig. sense). (Announcement to opponent of) inextricable check of king at chess, final defeat at chess or in any enterprise; (vb) defeat, frustrate. [f. OF *eschec mat* (see CHECK¹) f. Arab. *shah mata* king is dead]

Chedd'ar, n. Kind of cheese. [place]

chedd'ite, n. A high explosive notable for its stability. [F f. *Chedde* (in *Haute Savoie*) + -ITE¹ (2)]

chee'-chee', n. (Anglo-Ind.). The minced English spoken by Eurasians (also attrib.). [Hind. *chhi-chhi* fcl]

cheek, n., & v.t. Side-wall of mouth, side of face below eye, (~tooth, molar; ~bone, that below eye; ~by jowl, close together, intimate; to one's own ~, not shared with others); saucy speech (vb, address saucily), whence ~Y¹ a., ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS n.; cool confidence, effrontery, (have the ~ to); side post of door etc.; (pl.) jaws of vice, side-pieces of various parts of machines arranged in lateral pairs. [OE *cēce* cf. Du. *kaak*]

cheep, v.i. & n. (Utter) shrill feeble note as of young bird. Hence (of young partridge or grouse) ~ER¹ n. [imit.]

cheer¹, n. Frame of mind (*what ~?*, how do you feel?; *be of good ~*, stout-hearted, hopeful); food, fare, (*make good ~*, feast; *the fewer the better ~*, more to eat); shout of encouragement or applause (*three ~s*, successive united hurrahs, often for person or thing honoured). [obs. sense f. Gk *kara* head]

cheer², v.t. & i. Comfort, gladden; incite, urge on, esp. by shouts; applaud (t. & i.), shout for joy; ~up, comfort, take comfort. [f. prec.]

cheer'ful, a. Contented, in good spirits, hopeful; animating, pleasant; willing, not reluctant. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [CHEER¹ + -FUL]

cheer'léss, a. Dull, gloomy, dreary, miserable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [CHEER¹ + -LESS]

cheer'ly, adv. (naut.). Heartily, with a will. [formerly adj. & adv. (see -LY²) f. CHEER¹]

cheer'ly, a. Lively, in spirits, genial. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n., || ~iō (sl.), int. of encouragement. [-Y²]

cheese¹ (-z), n. Food made of pressed curds; a ~, complete cake or ball of this within rind; *green* ~, immature, not yet dried; *BREAD* & ~; *CHALK* & ~; *make* ~s (of schoolgirls), spin round & sink suddenly, inflating petticoats; fruit of mallow; the heavy flat wooden ball used in skittles; *damson*, *guava*, ~, conserve of the fruit pressed into consistency of ~; ~*cutler*, with broad curved blade; ~*cake*, tartlet filled with sweet yellow compound of curds etc.; ~*hopper*, maggot of ~-fly; ~*monger*, dealer in ~, butter, etc.; ~*paring*, stingy, stinginess, (pl.) worthless odds & ends; ~*plate*, 5 or 6 in. in diameter, also large coat-button; ~*rennet*, name for Lady's bedstraw; ~*scoop*, ~*taster*, instrument for extracting small piece as sample; ~*straws*, savoury of grated cheese etc. made up into thin strips. [OE *cēse*, cf. Gk *kāse* f. L *caseus*]

cheese² (-z), n. (sl.). *The* ~, the correct thing. [prob. Anglo-Ind. f. Pers. & Hind. *chiz* thing]

cheese³ (-z), v.t. (sl.). ~ *it*, stop, cease, give over, (only as imperat.). [†]

chees'y (-z), a. Like, tasting of, cheese; (sl.) stylish. Hence ~INESS n. [CHEESE^{1,2}, -Y²]

cheet'ah, n. Kind of leopard, tamed in India & trained to hunt deer. [f. Hind. *chita* f. Skr. *chitraka* speckled]

chēf (sh-), n. Head cook (male). [F]

chef-d'œuvre (shédér'vr), n. (pl. *chefs*, same pronounc.). A one's, master-piece. [F]

cheil(o)- (ki-). = CHEIL(o)-.

cheir(o)- (kīr-). = CHEIR(o)-.

cheirōp'teran, n., **cheirōp'terous**, a. (kīr-). (Member of mammal order with membraned hands serving as wings, the Bats. [prec. + Gk *pteron* wing + -AN. -OUS])

chek'a (chā-), n. (Earlier name of) OGPU. [Russ., f. initials (*che*, *ka*) of *Chresvy-chainaya Kommissiya*, extraordinary commission]

chel'a¹ (chā-), n. Novice qualifying for initiation in esoteric Buddhism. [Hind. = pupil]

chel'ia¹ (kē-), n. (pl. -*iae*). The prehensile claw of crabs, lobsters, scorpions, etc. Hence ~AN², ~FORM, aa. [f. Gk *khēlē* claw]

Chéll'éan (sh-), a. (archaeol.). Of the palaeolithic epoch represented by remains found at Chelles in France. [-AN]

Chél'sea (-sl), n. || ~ *pensioner*, inmate of the ~ Royal Hospital for old or disabled soldiers; ~ *ware*, kind of porcelain made at ~ in 18th c. [place]

Chéltōn'ian, a. & n. (Member) of Cheltenham College. [-IAN]

chēm'ical (kē-), a. & n. Of, made by, relating to, chemistry; ~ COMBINATION; (usu. pl.) substance obtained by or used in ~ process; *heavy* ~s, bulk ~s used in industry & agriculture (prop. only of manufactured ~s). Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **chēm'ico**-comb. form. [obs. *chemic* (F *chimique* or mod. L *chymicus*, assim. of *alchymicus* ALCHEMIC to supposed Gk etym.) + -AL]

chemin de fer (shemān' defér'), n. A form of baccarat. [F, lit. = road of iron, railway]

chemise (shiméz'), n. Woman's body under-garment. [OF, f. LL *camisia* shirt]

chemisette' (shémiz-), n. Bodice with upper part like chemise; lace, muslin, etc., filling up opening of dress below throat. [F, dim. of prec.]

chēm'ist (kē-), n. Person skilled in chemistry; || dealer in medical drugs, apothecary. [f. F *chimiste* f. mod. L *chymista* see ALCHEMIST]

chēm'istry (kē-), n. Science of the elements & compounds & their laws of combination & behaviour under various conditions; *applied* or *practical* ~, art of utilizing this knowledge; (fig.) mysterious change or process. [prec., -RY]

chēm'itype (kē-), n. (Process for getting) relief cast of engraving. [CHEMICAL etc. + TYPE]

chenille (shinél'), n. Velvety cord used in trimming dresses & furniture. [F, = caterpillar f. L *canicula* small dog]

chéque (-k), **check**, n. Written order to banker to pay named sum on drawer's account to bearer or named person; BLANK¹ ~; CROSS²ed ~; ~-book, number of stamped & engraved forms for drawing ~s bound & issued to customer. [var. of CHECK¹ formerly used of counterfoils for checking forgery]

chéq'uer¹ (-ker), **check'er**, n. (Pl.) chess-board as inn-sign; (often pl.) pattern made of squares or with alternating colours, whence **chéq'uer-wiss** (-ker), adv.; || *Chequers*, Prime Minister's official country house. [f. OF *eschekier* f. LL *scaccarium* chess-board, EXCHEQUER]

chéq'uer¹ (-ker), **check'er**, v.t. Mark with squares, esp. of alternate colours; variegate, break uniformity of, (often fig., esp. in p.p. as *chequered lot*, *fortunes*). [prob. f. prec.]

chē'rish, v.t. Foster, nurse, keep warm; value, hold in one's heart, cling to, (esp. hopes, feelings, etc.). [f. F *cherir* (see -IR²) f. *cher* f. L *carius* dear]

cheroot' (sh-), n. Cigar with both ends open. [f. Tamil *shurutu* roll]

chérry, n. & a. Small stone-fruit; tree bearing this (also ~tree), its wood (also ~wood); make two bites at a ~, boggle, be unenterprising or formal; || ~bob, two cherries with joined stems (BOB¹); ~brandy, dark-red liqueur of brandy in which cherries have been steeped; ~pie, garden heliotrope; ~ripe, fruit hawker's cry; (adj.) red (~lips, ribbon; || ~breeches, 11th Hussars). [ME *chery* f. ONF *cherise* (s lost as if pl. cf. FEA) f. L f. Gk *kerasos* perh. f. town name; OE *ciris* (cf. G *kirsche*) was prob. not source of ME]

ché'sonese (k-; -és), n. Peninsula. [f. L f. Gk *khersonēsos* (*khersos* dry, *nēsos* island)]

chért, n. A flint-like quartz. [?]

ché'rub, n. (pl. -s, -im). Angelic being; one of the second order of ninefold celestial hierarchy, gifted with knowledge as the first (seraphim) with love; (Art) winged (head of) child; beautiful or innocent child. Hence *cheru'bit* (-ōb-) a. [earlier *cherubin* sing., -ins pl., *cherubim* sing., -ims pl.; f. F *cherubin* through L, Gk, f. Heb. *k'rub* pl. *k'rubim*]

chérv'il, n. Garden herb used in soup, salad, etc. [OE *cærfille* f. L f. Gk *khairaphullon* perh. f. *khairō* rejoice + *phullon* loaf]

Chësh'ire (-er), n. ~ cheese, made in ~; ~ cat, person with fixed grin. [place; prov. *grin like a ~ cat* unexpl.]

chësh¹, n. Game for two players with thirty-two pieces or ~men on ~board chequered with sixty-four squares. [ME *ches* f. OF *eschès* pl. of *eschec* CHECK¹ (lit. sense Kings)]

chësh², n. One of the flooring planks of a pontoon bridge. [?]

chësh'el, n. Cheese-making mould. [prob. f. CHESH¹ + WELL¹]

chêst, n. 1. Large strong box; box for sailor's belongings; carpenter's, medicine, etc., ~, holding special requisites; treasury, coffer, of institution (usu. fig. for the sums in it); case of some commodity, esp. tea (& so as variable measure); ~ of drawers, frame with drawers for keeping clothes in bedroom. 2. Part of human or lower animal's body enclosed in ribs (*gel* thing of one's ~ sl., say & be quit of it), whence ~ED³ a.; ~note, ~voice, of lowest speaking or singing register; ~protector, flannel etc. worn on ~; ~trouble, lung disease esp. chronic. [OE *cest* f. L f. Gk *kistê*]

chêst'erfield, n. Kind of overcoat, also of couch. [19th-c. Earl of C~]

chêst'nút (-sn-), n. & a. Tree (also ~tree, *Spanish ~*, or *Sweet ~*) or its edible fruit; ~wood; = HORSE¹ ~; = CASTOR²; stale anecdote; (of) ~colour, deep reddish-brown; horse of this colour. [f. obs. *chuden* (f. OF *chastagne* f. L f. Gk *kastanos* prob. f. place-name) + NUT]

chévâl'glass (sh-; -ahs), n. Tall mirror swung on uprights. [f. F *cheval* horse, frame]

chêvalier' (sh-), n. Member of certain orders of knighthood, & of French Legion of Honour etc.; (Hist.) *The C~* or *C~ de St George*, Old Pretender, *The Young C~*, Young Pretender; soldier cadet of old French noblesse; ~ of industry (oftener in F form ~ *d'industrie*, see Ap.), adventurer, swindler. [OF (L *caballus* horse, -ARY¹, orig. sense *horseman*), cf. CAVALIER] **chevaux de frise** (shévō'détréz'), n. pl. Iron spikes set in timber etc. to repel cavalry etc. in war, or to guard palings in peace; natural protective line of hair in plants, eyelashes, etc. [F, lit. horses of Friesland, invented by 17th-c. Frisians who had no cavalry]

chevet (shévā'), n. Apse; group of apses. [F, dim. of *chef* head (L *caput*)]

chêv'lot, n. & a. (Wool, cloth) got, made, from sheep of C~ hills.

chêv'ron (sh-), n. Bent bar of inverted V shape, in escutcheons, as archit. ornament (~moulding, consisting of series of these), & on sleeve of Service uniform indicating rank (3 bars for sergeant, 2 for corporal, etc.), or || length of service. [F, = rafter, chevron, circumflex, f. L *caprionem* nom. -io (L *caper* goat); L *capreolus* chamois was used in pl. as pair of rafters]

chêv'rotain, -tin, (sh-), n. Small Musk Deer. [F, dim. of OF *chevrot* (*chèvre* goat)]

chêv'y, *chiv'y*, (usu. spelt -e- & pron. -i-), n., & v.t. & i. Chase (n. & v.), scamper (n. & v.); game of prisoners' base. [prob. f. ballad *Cherly Chase* (place-name)]

chew (-ōb), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Work about between teeth, grind to pulp or indent with repeated biting; (abs.) ~ tobacco, whence ~ER¹ n.; turn over in mind; meditate upon or over; ~ the cud, bring back half-digested food into mouth for further chewing, (fig., usu. with of reflection, fancy, etc.) meditate; ~ the rag (Army sl.), reiterate an old grievance, grouse; ~ing-gum, preparation of sweetened & flavoured gums (esp. CHICLE), used for prolonged ~ing. 2. n. Act of ~ing; quid of tobacco. [OE *céowan* cf. G *kauen*]

Chian'ti (kiāh-), n. Dry red Ital. wine. [It.] **chiaroscuro** (kyāroskōr'ō), n. & a. Treatment of light & shade in painting; light & shade effects in nature; variation, relief, handling of transitions, use of contrast, in literature etc.; (adj.) of ~; half-revealed. [It., = bright-dark (L *clarus, obscurus*)]

chias'mus (kiās-), n. Inversion in second phrase of order followed in first (*I cannot dig, to beg I am ashamed*). Hence *chias'tro* (ki-) a. [mod. L, f. Gk *khiamos* cross arrangement f. *khiavō* make letter *khi* (shaped as Eng. X)]

chib'ol, n. (dial.). Spring onion with green stalk attached. [ult. (through F) f. L *(c)epa onion*; cf. It. *cipolla*]

chibouk, -que, (-ôk), n. Long Turkish tobacco pipe. [f. Turk. *chibuk* tube]

chic (sh-), n. & a. Skill, effectiveness, style, stamp of superiority; (adj.) stylish, in the fashion. [F, etym. dub. (adj. use Engl.)]

chicâne' (sh-), v.t. & i., & n. Use chicanery; cheat (person) *into*, *out of*, etc.; (n.) chicanery; (holding off) hand without any trumps in bridge. [f. F *chicaner* perh. f. med. Gk *tsoukanisô* play polo f. Pers. *tchaugan* polo-stick]

chican'ery (sh-), n. Legal trickery, pettifoggery; sophistry. [f. F *chicanerie* (prec., -ERY)]

chick¹, n. Young bird before or after hatching; *the* ~s, children of a family (so ~'abidd'g, term of endearment of or to child); ~weed, small plant. [short for CHICKEN¹]

chick², **chik**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Screen-blind of finely-split bamboo laced with twine. [Hind. *chik*]

chick'en¹, n. (pl. ~s, ~). Young bird, esp. of domestic fowl, flesh of this; youthful person (esp. in no ~); *Mother Carey's* ~, Stormy Petrel; *count one's* ~s *before they are hatched*, be over-sanguine, precipitate; ~-breast(ed), (having) malformed projection of breast-bone; ~-feed, food for poultry, (fig.) poor or trifling stuff; ~hazard, game at dice; ~-heart(ed), (with) no courage; ~-pox, children's mild eruptive disease. [OE *cicēn* cf. Du. *kicken* prob. cogn. w. cock¹]

chick'en², **chik'an**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Embroidery; ~wallah, itinerant vendor of embroidered articles. [Hind., f. Pers. *chikān* needlework]

chick'ling, n. Common cultivated Vetch. [earlier *chicheling* dim. of ME & OF *chiche* ult. f. L *cicer*]

chick-pea, n. Dwarf pea. [earlier *chich-pease* as prec. + PHASE]

chi'cle (-kl or -klē), n. Milky juice of the sapodilla, the basis of chewing-gum. [f. Mex. *tsicli*]

chic'cry, n. Blue-flowered plant cultivated for its salad leaves & its root; its root ground for use with or instead of coffee. [f. F *cichorée* (now *chico*) f. L *cichorium* f. Gk *kikhora* succory]

chide, v.t. & i. (literary; *child, chidden* or *chid*). Make complaints, speak scoldingly, (esp. fig. of hounds, wind, etc.), scold, rebuke. [OE *cidan*]

chief¹, n. (Her.) upper third of shield; leader, ruler; head man of tribe, clan, etc., whence ~ness¹ n.; head of a department, highest official; *C~ of Staff*, senior staff officer of a commander; *C~ of the General Staff*, senior staff officer of a Commander-in-Chief (esp. in India); || *C~ of the Imperial General Staff*, senior

military member of the Army Council; *in* ~, most of all, especially, (*for many reasons, & this one in* ~); *in* ~, supreme, as *Commander, Colonel, in* ~. Hence ~DOM, ~SHIP, nn., ~LESS a. [f. OF *chef* f. L *caput* head]

chief², a. & adv. (-er, -est, now rare). First by title (*C~ Justice* etc.); first in importance, influence, etc.; prominent, leading; (adv.) chiefly, especially, (*but* ~ or ~est of all, *forget not*). [orig. CHIEF¹ used in apposition]

chief'ly¹, a. Proper for a chief. [CHIEF¹ + -LY¹]

chief'ly², adv. Above all; mainly but not exclusively. [CHIEF² + -LY²]

chief'tain (-tin), n. Military leader (poet.); captain of robbers; chief of Highland clan or uncivilized tribe. Hence ~CY, ~ESS¹, ~RY, ~SHIP, (-tin-), nn. [f. OF *chevetaine* CAPTAIN]

chiff'chaff, n. Bird of Warbler family. [imit.]

chiffon (see Ap.), n. (Usu. pl.) adornments of female dress; (sing.) thin gauze. [F, f. *chiffe* rag]

chiffonier¹ (sh-), n. Movable low cupboard with sideboard top. [F (prec. -IER)]

chignon (see Ap.), n. Mass of hair on pad at back of head. [F. f. 18th-c. *chaatignon* nape of neck = *chainon* link (*chaîne* CHAIN)]

chig'oe, n. Tropical flea, burrowing into skin. [W.-Ind.]

chil'blain, n. Itching sore on hand, foot, etc., from exposure to cold. Hence ~ED² (-nd), ~Y², aa. [OHILL + BLAIN]

child, n. (pl. *child'ren*). Unborn or newborn human being (pronoun *it*, or *he, she*); boy or girl (*from a* ~, *from childhood* on); childish person; (sl.) *this* ~, I, me; son or daughter (at any age) of (or with *my* etc.), offspring; descendant lit. or fig. or follower or adherent of (~ of *God*, of *the devil*; ~ren of *Isaak Walton*, anglers; *fancy's* ~; ~ of *nature*); result of; (in arch. form *childe*) youth of noble birth (*Childe Harold, Roland*); *with* ~, pregnant; ~s-play, easy task; *BURST ~ dreads fire*; ~birth, parturition; ~ wife, very young wife. Hence ~LESS a., ~less-NESS n. [OE *cild* cf. Goth. *killhet* womb]

Chil'dermas, n. Festival of Holy Innocents, 28th Dec. [OE *cildra* (prec.) of infants + *masse* MASS¹]

child'hood, n. Child's state; time from birth to puberty; *second* ~, dotage. [-HOOD]

child'ish, a. Of, proper to, a child; puerile, improper for a grown person. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

child'like, a. Having good qualities of child, as innocence, frankness, etc. [-LIKE]

child'ly, a. & adv. (poet.). Like a child. [mod. revival of obs. wd.; ~LY^{1,2}]

chil'a, *chil'l. Var. of CHILL.

chill'ad (k-), n. A thousand; a thousand years. [f. L f. Gk *khílas* -ados f. *khílos* adj. a thousand, -AD(1)]

chil'iasm, chil'íast (k-), nn. Doctrine of or belief in, believer in, the millennium. Hence **chilíast'ic** a. [f. Gk *khílasmos*, -astés (prec. + endings used w. vbs in -asô cf. -ISM, -IST)]

chill¹, n. Cold sensation, lowered temperature of body, feverish shivering, (catch a ~; also of special part as liver ~); unpleasant coldness of air, water, etc. (take ~ off water or claret, warm slightly); depressing influence (cast a ~ over); coldness of manner. [OE *cele* cogn. w. *cool*; but the noun, after giving **CHILL²**, was dormant 1400-1600, & revived as deriv. of **CHILL³**]

chill², a. Unpleasantly cold to feel; feeling cold; unfeeling, unemotional, abstract. Hence ~NESS n. [prob. f. prec.]

chill³, v.t. & i. Make, become, cold; deaden, blast, with cold; depress, dispirit; harden (molten iron) by contact of cold iron; (colloq.) take the chill off (liquid); ~ed beef etc., beef etc. preserved at moderately low temperature in cold storage (as distinct from frozen meat). [prob. f. **CHILL¹**]

chill⁴, -y, n. Dried pod of Capsicum (as relish, or made into cayenne). [Mex.]

chill⁵ [y], a. Rather cold to feel; feeling rather cold; sensitive to cold; not genial, cold-mannered. Hence ~INESS n. [**CHILL¹** + -Y²]

chill⁶ [y] (-l-), adv. (rare). In cold manner (lit. & fig.). [**CHILL¹** + -Y³]

chill(o)-, chell(o)-, (k-), comb. form of Gk *khēilos* lip, in zool. terms as *chilopod* (having feet serving as jaws).

|| **Chil'tern Hün'dreds** (-z), n. pl. Apply for, accept, the ~, resign seat in House of Commons. [a Crown manor, administration of which, being titular office under Crown, requires the member to vacate his or her seat]

chime¹, n. Set of attuned bells; series of sounds given by this; harmony, melody, rhythm, sing-song; agreement, correspondence. [ME *chymbe* f. L f. Gk *kymbalon* CYMBAL]

chime², v.i. & t. Make (bell) sound; ring chimes (of person or bells); ring chimes on (bells); show (hour) by chiming (also of hour, = sound); summon by bells to; repeat mechanically; be in rhyme, make to rhyme; be in agreement (together, with, or abs.); join in, express eager agreement. [as prec.]

chime³, chimb, (-m), n. Projecting rim at ends of cask. [ME *chimbe* cf. Du. *kim* edge]

chimēr'a, -ser'a (k'), n. 1. Monster with lion's head, goat's body, & serpent's tail. 2. Bogy; thing of hybrid character; fanciful conception; whence **chimēr'-**

ICAL a., **chimēr'ically¹** adv., (k'). [f. F *chimère* f. L f. Gk *khimaira* she-goat, chimera, (*khimaros* goat)]

chimēre, n. Bishop's robe. [= OF *chamarre* etym. dub.]

chim'ney, n. Flue carrying off smoke or steam of fire, furnace, engine, etc.; (also ~stalk, -top) part of flue above roof; glass tube providing draught for lamp-flame; natural vent, e.g. of vo (Mountaineering) narrow cleft by which cliff may be climbed; ~corner, warm seat within old-fashioned fire-place; ~jack, rotating cowl; ~piece, = MANTLE; ~pot, earthenware or metal pipe added to ~top (|| ~pot hat, tall silk hat); ~stack, united group of ~stalks; || ~stalk, see above, also = tall factory ~; || ~swallow, common swallow; ~sweeper, man who sweeps ~s; ~sweeper, = ~sweep, also = jointed ~cleaning brush. [f. OF *cheminée* f. LL *caminata* (perh. camera) fireplaced (chamber) f. L *caminus* oven, -ATE²]

chimpanzee, n. African ape resembling man. [native name in Angola]

chin, n. Front of lower jaw; up to the ~, ~deep, deeply immersed. Hence ~NEED² (-nd) a. [OE *cin* cf. G. *kinn*, & Gk *genetion* chin, genus cheek]

Chin'a, a., **chin'a**, n. & a. 1. (C~). From China (C~rape, C~ASTEE, etc.; C~orange, common orange, orig. from China; *Chin'aman*, (derog. for) a Chinese; *Chinatown*, section of a town (esp. a seaport) in which the Chinese live as a colony). 2. (c~). (Made of) a fine semi-transparent earthenware, porcelain; things made of this; whence ~MAN'IA (c) nn.; ~closest, for keeping or displaying one's ~; ~clay, KAOLIN. [not native name; found in Skr. about 1st c.]

chinchill'a, n. Small S.-Amer. rodent; its soft grey fur. [Sp., dim. of *chínche* bug f. L *cimex* -icis (from supposed smell)]

|| **chin'-chin'**, int. of greeting & farewell (Anglo-Chin.; also as n. & vb). [Chin. *ts'ing ts'ing*]

|| **chine¹**, n. Deep narrow ravine (now only in Isle of Wight & Hampshire). [OE *cinu* cf. Du. *keen* chap in skin]

chine², n. Backbone; animal's backbone or part of it as joint; ridge, arête. [f. OF *eschine* perh. f. OHG *scina* splinter]

Chinee', n. (sl.). Chinese; the heathen ~, (joc., w. ref. to Bret Harte's *Truthful James*, for) the typical Chinese. [due to taking *Chinese* for pl.]

Chinēse' (-z), a. & n. (pl. the same). (Native, language) of China; ~lantern, collapsible of paper used esp. in illuminating; ~white, a pigment, white oxide of zinc. [China + -ESE]

chink¹, n. Crevice; long narrow opening, slit, peep-hole. [f. 16th c.; exol. E.; etym. dub., perh. f. CHINE², which it has replaced]

chink², n., & v.i. & t. 1. Sound as of glasses or coins striking together; (sl.) ready money. 2. vb. Make this sound; cause (coin etc.) to make it. [imit.]

Chink³, n. (sl.). A Chinese. [abbr.]

Chino-, comb. form of *China*. [-o-]

chintz, n. & a. (Of) cotton cloth fast-printed with particoloured pattern & usu. glazed. [earlier *chinta* pl. f. Hind. *chint* f. Skr. *chitra*; for sing. use cf. *BAIZE*]

chip¹, n. Thin piece cut from wood or broken from stone etc.; thin slice of potato, fruit, etc.; (pl., colloq.) potato-~s fried (*fish & ~s*); wood split into strips for making hats etc. (~ *bonnet*, *basket*); *dry as a ~*, flavourless, uninteresting; ~ (scion) of, esp. ~ of *old block*, son resembling father; place in china etc. from which a ~ has been knocked off; (sl.) counter, piece of money; ~-*shot* (Golf), short lofted approach-shot on to putting-green. [f. foll.]

chip², v.t. & i. (-pp-). Cut (wood), break (stone, crockery), at surface or edge; shape thus; cut or break (piece etc.) off, from; be susceptible to breakage at edge; carve (inscription); crack (egg-shell; esp. of chickens); (colloq.) banter (a person); (sl.) ~ in, interrupt. [dim. of *CHIP*¹, cf. *drop*, *drop*, *tip top*; cf. also *EFris. kippen* cut]

chip³, n., & v.t. (-pp-). Wrestling-trick; (vb) trip up. [cf. Du. *kippen* ensnare]

chipmuck, -*unk*, n. North-American squirrel. [prob. Amer.-Ind.]

Chippendale, n. A fine and solid style of furniture. (~, 18th-century cabinet-maker)

chipp'y, a. (sl.). Dry, uninteresting; parched & queasy after drunkenness etc.; irritable. Hence ~INESS n. [*CHIP*¹ + -Y²]

Chips, n. (naut. sl.). Ship's carpenter. [pl. of *CHIP*¹, cf. *BUTTONS*]

chir(o)-, **cheir(o)-**, (kīf-), comb. form of Gk *kheir* hand, as *chirōGRAPHY* hand-writing, *chirōMANOY* palmistry.

chirograph (kīf- -ahf), n. Document of various kinds formally written or signed. [f. *F chirographe* f. L f. Gk *kheirographon* (prec. -GRAPH)]

chirōpodist, **chirōp'ody**, (kīf-), nn. Treater, treatment, of feet, toe-nails, corns, bunions, etc. [prob. f. *CHIRO-*, Gk *pous podos* foot, -IST(3); but there is Gk *kheiropodēs* with chapped feet (*kheiras* chap f. *kheir* hand)]

chiropractic (kīf-), n. Manipulation of spinal column as method of curing disease. Hence ~OR³ n., one who practises ~ic. [f. *CHIRO-* + Gk *praktikos* (*prassō* do, see -IC)]

chirp, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) short sharp note (as) of small bird; utter (song), express (joy etc.), thus; talk merrily; speak feebly. [imit.; from 15th c., displacing earlier *chark* (OE *cearcian* creak), *chirk*, *chirt*]

chirp'y, a. Lively, cheerful. Hence ~INESS n. [prec. -Y²]

chirp, v.i., & n. (Make) prolonged trilling sound (as) of grasshopper. [imit.]

chirrup, v.i., & n. (Make) series of chirps, twittering; (make) imitative chirping to baby etc.; (sl.) act as paid applauder at theatre etc., whence ~ER¹ n. [form of *CHIRP*]

chisel (-z), n., & v.t. (-ll-). (Cut, shape, with) steel-edged tool with square bevelled end for shaping wood, stone, or metal (*cold ~*, all of steel or iron for trimming cold iron; ~ed *features* etc., clear-cut); the ~, sculptor's ~, (art of) sculpture; (sl.) defraud, unfair treatment. [ONF, dim. of L *ciesum* neut. p.p. of *-cidere* (*caedere* cut)]

chit¹, n. Young child; young, small, or slender woman (depreciatingly, esp. ~ of a girl). [earlier = whelp; var. of *kil*, *KITTEN*]

chit², **chitt'y**, n. (orig. Anglo-Ind.). Note or written paper, esp. character given to servant; note of sum owed for drink etc.; ~system (of giving vouchers in payment instead of cash down). [f. Hind. *chitthi* f. Skr. *chitra* mark]

chit'al (-ēt-), n. The Indian spotted deer. [Hind.]

chit'chāt', n. Light conversation; subjects of it, gossip. [redupl. of *CHAT*¹]

chit'in (kī-), n. Substance forming horny cover of beetles & crustaceans. Hence ~OUS a. [should be *chitonin*; f. *F chitine* f. Gk *khitōn -nos* tunic + -IN]

chitt'ack, n. Indian weight corresponding to the ounce. [Bengali *chhatāk*]

chitt'erling, n. (usu. pl.). Smaller intestines of beasts, esp. as cooked for food. [etym. dub.; cf. G *kutlein*]

chitt'y. See *CHIT*¹.

chiv'alrous, (poet. etc.) **chiv'alric** (also -āl'), (see foll.), a. Of, as of, the Age of Chivalry; of, as of, the ideal knight, gallant, honourable, courteous, disinterested; quixotic. Hence **chiv'alrouer**² adv. [f. *OF chevalerous* (*CHEVALIER*, -OUS); *chivalric* f. foll. + -IC]

chiv'alry (formerly *ch*; now usu. *sh*, as though a recent F importation), n. Horsemen, cavalry, (arch.); gallant gentlemen; knightly skill (arch.); medieval knightly system with its religious, moral, & social code; ideal knight's characteristics; devotion to service of women; inclination to defend weaker party; flower of ~, pattern knight, élite of nation's soldiers. [f. *OF chevalerie* f. L *caballarius* CAVALIER, -ERY]

chive, **cive** (s-), n. Small herb allied to onion & leek. [*F (cive)* f. L *cepa* onion]

chiv(v'y). See *CHIEVY*.

chlor-^{1,2}, = *CHLORO-*^{1,2}, used before vowel. **chlor'al** (kl-), n. ~ *hydrate* or ~, a hypnotic & anaesthetic. Hence ~ISM³ n., ~NE(5) v.t. [pop. misuse of *chloral*,

strictly a chem. substance first got by action of chlorine on *alcohol*, whence the name]

chloride (kl-), n. (Chem.) compound of chlorine (-IDE); (pop.) kinds of bleaching agent not true ~s, as ~ of lime, soda, potash. [CHLOR-², -ID¹]

chlorin[ate] (kl-), v.t. Impregnate with chlorine. Hence ~'ATION n., treatment with chlorine (esp. in the extraction of gold from certain ores). [CHLORINE]

chlorine (kl-), n. (chem.). Non-metallic element, a yellowish-green heavy ill-smelling gas. [f. Gk *khlōros* green + -INE¹]

chloro-¹, **chlor-**, comb. form in bot. & mineral. terms of Gk *khlōros* green.

chloro-², **chlor-**, comb. form in chem. terms of CHLORINE. Hence **chlor'ate**² (3) n., **chlor'ic** (2), **chlor'ous** (chem.) aa., (kl-).

chlor'odyne (kl-), n. Patent medicine, narcotic & anodyne. [foll. + Gk *odunē* pain]

chlor'oform (kl-), n., & v.t. 1. Anaesthetic, thin colourless liquid whose inhaled vapour produces insensibility. 2. v.t. Treat (person) with, render insensible by, ~, whence ~IST (1) n.; soak (thing) in ~. [f. F *chloroforme* f. CHLORO-² + *form* (yl) see FORMIC]

chlor'ophyll (kl-), n. Colouring-matter of green parts of plants. [F CHLORO¹ (*phylle* f. Gk *phyllon* leaf)]

chlor'osis (kl-), n. Green sickness, anæmic disease of young women, with greenish complexion; (Bot.) blanching of green parts, or turning green of petals etc. Hence ~OT'IC a. [CHLOR-¹, -OSIS]

chock¹, n. Block of wood, esp. wedge for stopping motion of cask or wheel, also in various senses on ship esp. of wedges supporting boat on deck; (Turning; earlier form of) CHUCK⁴. [perh. f. ONF *choque* log]

chock², v.t., & adv. Make fast with chocks; place (boat) on chocks; ~ up, wedge in tightly, encumber (room etc.) with furniture etc.; (adv.) closely, tightly, close up; ~a-block, jammed together, crammed with, chock-full of (orig. naut., of two blocks brought close together in a tackle); ~full, stuffed. [f. prec.; the var. *choke-full* for ~full is prob. an etym. guess & misrepresents pronunc.]

choc'olate, n. & a. (Cake) of cacao-seed paste; drink of this in hot milk or water; dark brown (n. & a.); ~ cream, sweet-meat of ~ enclosing sweet paste. [f. F *chocolat* f. Mex. *chocolatl* etym. dub. (not f. *cacao* or *cocoa*)]

choc'taw, n. (skating). Step from either edge on other foot in opposite direction. [fancy name, of MOHAWK]

choice¹, n. Choosing, selection, (make ~ of, select; take one's ~, decide between possibilities; the girl of one's ~; for ~, by preference, if one must select); power, right, faculty, of choosing (at ~, at

pleasure; have one's ~; have no ~, not care which; Hobson's ~, to take or leave the one offered); élite, flower, of; variety to choose from; thing or person chosen; alternative (have no ~ but). [f. OF *chois* f. *choisir* choose f. Rom. *causire* f. Teut. (Goth. *kaujan* test)]

choice², a. Of picked quality, exquisite; carefully chosen, appropriate. Hence ~LY² (-al) adv., ~NESS (-an-) n. [perh. mixture of prec. w. obs. *chis* (OE *cis* etym. dub.) fastidious]

choir (kwif), **quife** (arch.), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Band of singers performing or leading in musical parts of church service; chancel of cathedral, minster, or large church; choral society, company of singers (also of birds, angels, etc.); band of dancers; ~organ (corruption of *chair*), softest of three parts (*great, swell, ~, organ*) making up large compound organ, with lowest of three key-boards. 2. vb. Sing in chorus (intr., or with *strain, hymn*, etc., as obj.). [ME *quer* f. OF *cuer* f. L f. Gk *khōros* song & dance]

choke¹, v.t. & i., & n. Stop breath of, suffocate, temporarily or finally, by squeezing throat from without, blocking it up within, or (of water, smoke, etc.) being unbreathable; (fig., of emotion) paralyse (~pear, fact, reproach, etc., hard to swallow); suffer temporary stoppage of breath, become speechless from anger etc., (n., this condition); smother, stifle, kill, (plant, fire, etc.) by deprivation of light, air, etc.; suppress (feelings); block up wholly or partly (tube by narrowing part of it; as n., the narrowed part, whence ~bore, of gun with bore narrowing towards muzzle; also of channel with sand, stones, etc., *stones ~* or ~ up *channel, channel ~s*), fill chock-full; ~ down, swallow (food), conceal (emotion), with difficulty; ~ off, make (person) relinquish an attempt; ~damp, carbonic acid gas in mines, wells etc.; *choking coil* (Electr.), (also ~) coil of low resistance used to modify an alternating-current circuit. [OE *acēocian* etym. dub.]

choke², n. Centre part of artichoke. [prob. confusion of ending w. prec.]

chok'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. clerical or stand-up collar; *white ~*, white tie (sl.). [-ER¹]

chok'ra, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Boy (esp. one employed as domestic servant). [Hind. *chhokra*]

|| **chok'y**, n. (orig. Anglo-Ind., sl.). Prison, lock-up. [Hind. *chauki* shed]

chól(é) (-k-), comb. form in med. & chem. wds of Gk *kholē* gall, bile.

chol'er (kō-), n. (Hist.) one of the four HUMOURS, bile; (poet., arch.) anger, irascibility. [ME & OF *colre* f. L f. Gk *kholera* cholera perh. f. *kholē* bile]

chol'era (kō-), n. (Also *English, bilious, summer, ~*, or in L ~ *nostris* = of our

country) bilious summer & autumn disorder with diarrhoea & vomiting; (also *Asiatic, epidemic, malignant*, ~) non-bilious often fatal disease endemic in India & epidemic in Europe; *chicken* ~, infectious disease of fowls; ~-*belt*, flannel or silk waistband worn as preventive. Hence *cholera* 10 (kō-) a. [L. in orig. Gk sense (prec.) of summer ~] *chol'eric* (kō-), a. Irascible; angry. [f. F *cholérique* f. Lf. Gk *khōlerikos* (CHOLER-, 10)] *chol'erine* (kō-; also -*ên*), n. Summer cholera; diarrhoea often prevalent at same time as Asiatic cholera. [F (-*é*), f. *choléra*, CHOLERA]

chol'iamb (kō-), n. = *SOZON*. Hence ~10 (-*âm*) a. [f. L f. Gk *khōliambos* (*khōlos* lame, *iambos* IAMBUS)]

chondri-, -*o-*, (kō-), comb. form of Gk *khondros*, in Med. & Physiol. = cartilage.

chōse (-z), v.t. & i. (*chōse*, *chōsen*, pr. -z). Select out of greater number; (Theol., esp. in p.p.) destine to be saved; decide (to do one thing rather than another); think fit, be determined, to do; make choice between; cannot ~ but, must, have to, (arch.); (with compl.) select as (*was chosen king*); pick & ~, select carefully, be fastidious; nothing etc. to ~ between them, of things nearly equal. Hence *chōs'es* 11 (-z) n., *chōs'es* (e)y² (-z-) a. (sl.), fastidious. [OE *céosan* cf. G *kiesen*]

*chōp*¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-). Cut by a blow, usu. with axe (~ *up*, ~ into small pieces, mince; often ~ *off*, *away*, *down*); deliver such blow at; make one's way by such blows through; mince (esp. in p.p.); (fig.) cut (words etc.) short or into distinct parts; ~ *in*, intervene in talk; ~ *back*, reverse one's direction suddenly, double; (of strata) ~ *up*, *out*, come to surface. [var. of CHAP¹ cf. Du. & G *kappen*]

*chōp*², n. Cutting stroke with axe etc.; thick slice of meat, esp. mutton or pork, usu. including rib (~-*house*, cheap restaurant); broken surface of water usu. due to action of wind against tide, so ~p'y¹ [-y²] a. [f. prec.]

*chōp*³. See CHAP³.

*chōp*⁴, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. ~ & *change* (emphatic for *change*, usu. intr.), vacillate, be inconstant, (n., ~s & *changes*, variations); ~ *round*, *about*, (esp. of wind) change direction suddenly; ~ *logic*, bandy arguments. Hence ~p'y³ [-y⁴] a. [etym. dub., but cf. CHOP¹ in some senses]

|| *chōp*⁵, n. (India, China) seal, licence, passport, permit; (China) trade-mark, a brand of goods; (Anglo-Ind. & colloq.) *first*, *second*, ~, first, second, -class. [f. Hind. *chāp* stamp]

chōp'chōp, adv. & int. (Pidgin-Eng.). Quick, quickly. [f. Chin. *k'wai-k'wai*]

chōpp'er, n. One who chops; large-bladed short axe; butcher's cleaver. [CHOP¹ + -*er*]

chōp'stick, n. Small slip of ivory etc. of which two held in one hand are used by Chinese as fork. [transl. of Chin. *k'wai-tse* nimble ones f. Chin. *chop* quick + *stick*]

chōp-sū'ey, n. Dish of fried or stewed meat or chicken flavoured with sesame oil & served with rice, onions, etc. (in Chinese restaurant). [Chin., = mixed bits]

*chō'al*¹ (k-), a. Of, sung by, choir (~ *service*, with canticles, anthems, etc., so sung; *full* ~ *service*, with versicles & responses also sung); of, with, chorus. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *choralis* (CHORUS, -AL)]

choral (e)¹ (korahl'), n. (Metrical hymn to) simple tune usu. sung in unison, orig. in German reformed church. [G (-I), e added merely to suggest foreign accent as in *morale*, *locale*]

chō'alist (k-), n. Chorus singer. [CHORAL¹, -IST]

*chōrd*¹ (k-), n. String of harp etc. (poet.; also fig., as *touch the right* ~, appeal skillfully to emotion); (Physiol.) structure resembling string, as *vocal* ~, *spinal* ~, (also *cord*); (Math.) straight line joining ends of arc. [16th-c. correction of CORD¹ after L f. Gk *khordē*]

*chōrd*² (k-), n. (Mus.) group of notes sounded together, combined according to some harmonic system (*common* ~, any note with its major or minor third, perfect fifth, & octave; *break* or *spread* ~, play its notes successively); harmonious combination of colours. [earlier *cord* for ACCORD¹ later confused w. prec.]

chōrd'al (k-), a. Of, like, etc., CHORD^{1,2}. [-AL]

chōre, n., & v.i. = CHARE.

chōr'e'a (k-), n. St. Vitus's dance. [L]

chōree' (k-), n. = *TROCHÉE*. [f. L f. Gk *khoreios* of dance]

chō'regraph etc. See CHOREOGRAPH etc.

chōr'ic (k-), a. Of, having, chorea; of, marked by, chorees. [-IC]

chō'reograph (kō-; -ahf), n. Designer of ballet. So CHOREOGRAPHER, CHOREOGRAPHY, nn., CHOREOGRAPHIC a., (kō-). [f. Gk *khoreia* dancing (*khōros* dancing-company) + -GRAPH]

chori(s)- (kō-), pref. f. Gk *khōri*(s) apart, used in bot. terms, as *choripetalous* with separate petals.

chō'riamb, *choriām'bus* (kō-), n. Metrical foot (- u - u -). Hence *choriām'bus* (kō-), a. [f. L f. Gk *khoriambos* (CHORUS, IAMB)]

chō'ic (k-), a. Of, like, chorus in Greek play. [f. Gk *khōrikos* (CHORUS, -IC)]

chō'ion (k-), n. Outer membrane of foetus. [f. Gk *khōrion*]

chō'rister (kō-), n. Member of choir, esp. choir-boy (also fig. of angels, birds). [f. med. L *chorista* (CHORUS, -IST, & cf. *MAESTER*)]

chōrō'graphy (kō-), n. Describing, de-

scription, of districts (more limited than *geography*, less than *topography*). Hence or cogn. *chorōs* *ῥαφία* *n.*, *chorograph'icaly* *adv.*, (kō-). [*f.* *chorographia* *f.* Gk *khōrographia* (*khōra* land, -*GRAPHY*)]

chōr'oid (k-), *a.* & *n.* Like chorion in shape or vascularity, esp. ~ *coat* (or ~ as *neum*), membrane lining eye-ball. [*f.* Gk *khoroisidēs* wrong reading in Gk MSS. for *khorioisidēs* (*CHORION*, -*OID*)]

chor'og'y (kō-), *n.* Local distribution of species etc. Hence *chorolog'ical* *a.* [*f.* Gk *khōra* land + *-LOGY*]

chōr'tle, *v.i.*, & *n.* (Utter) loud chuckle. [invented by L. Carroll, perh. *f.* *chuckle*, *snort*]

chōr'us (k-), *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. (Gk Ant.) band of dancers & singers in religious ceremonies & dramatic performances (also representing interested spectators in play; so in some Eng. plays); (one of their utterances. 2. Personage speaking prologue & commenting on action in Elizabethan plays. 3. Band of singers, choir; thing sung by many at once; any simultaneous utterance of many (*in* ~, all speaking etc. together). 4. (Mus.) composition in several (oftenest four) parts each sung by several voices; refrain of song in which audience joins. 5. *vb.* Sing, speak, say, in ~. [*f.* Gk *khōros*]

chōse jugée (see Ap.), *n.* Thing it is idle to discuss, as already settled. [*F*]

chōse(n). See *CHOOSE*.

chōt'a haz (i)ri (*hahz'ri*), *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Light early breakfast. [*Hind.* (*chh*-), = little breakfast]

chou (shō), *n.* Rosette or ornamental knot of ribbon, chiffon, etc., on woman's hat or dress. [*F.* *f.* *L. caulis* cabbage]

chough (chūf), *n.* Red-legged crow. [*cf.* Du. *kauw*, OF *choue*]

chouse, *v.t.*, & *n.* (colloq.). Swindle, trick. [*f.* 1610; *f.* Turk. *chiavus* official messenger, in allusion to one of these who defrauded Turkish merchants in England 1600]

Chow, *a.* & *n.* (Austral. sl.). Chinese (*a.* & *n.*); dog of a Chinese breed.

chow-chow, *n.* Chinese preserve of orange-peel, ginger, etc. [*Chin.*]

chow'der, *n.* Newfoundland & New England dish, stew of fresh fish or clams with bacon, onions, biscuit, etc. [*f.* *F. chaudière* pot *f.* *L. caldaria* (*calidus* hot, -*ARY*)]

chrēmatis'tic (k-), *a.* Of money-making, economic. Hence ~ *IOS* *n.* [*f.* Gk *chrēmatisitikos* (*chrēmatisēō* traffic *f.* *chrēmata* pl. money *f.* *khraomai* use), see -*IST*, -*IC*]

chrēstōm'ath'y (k-), *n.* Collection of choice passages. [*f.* Gk *chrēstomatheta* (*chrēstos* good, *math-* st. of *manthanō* learn)]

chrī'sm (k-), *n.* Consecrated oil, unguent, anointing, esp. in sacred rites. [OE *cristma* *f.* *L. f.* Gk *khristma* (*khristō* anoint, -*IS*); *cf.* *CHRAM*]

chris'om (k-), *n.* (hist.). Child's white robe at baptism, used as shroud if it died within a month; ~ *child*, in its first month. [var. of prec., perh. orig. a head-cloth to keep chrisom from being rubbed off]

Christ (k-), *n.* Messiah or Lord's anointed of Jewish prophecy; (title, now treated as name, given to) Jesus as fulfilling this; divine ruler, saviour, inspirer, (esp. *the* or *a* ~); *the* ~ *child*, ~ as a child. Hence ~ *HOOD* *n.*, ~ *LESS*, ~ *LIKE*, ~ *LY*, *sa.*, ~ *LESSNESS*, ~ *LIKENESS* (-*kn*-), *nn.*, ~ *WARD(S)* *adv.* [OE *crist* *f.* *L. f.* Gk *khristos* anointed one (*khristō* anoint) transl. of Heb. see *MESSIAH*]

Christ-cross-row, *criss-*, (*kris*'kraws-rō), *n.* (arch.). The alphabet. [*Christ's* cross, a cross before alphabet in horn-books, + *ROW* (of letters)]

christen (kri'sn), *v.t.* & *i.* Admit as Christian by baptism; administer baptism; give name to (person at baptism, or as nickname; ~ *him*, ~ *him John*; also ships, bells, etc., with analogous ceremony). [OE *cristnian* make Christian (*cristen* *f.* WU *cristin* *f.* *L. CHRISTIANUS*)]

Christendom (kri'sn), *n.* Christians; Christian countries. [*f.* *cristen* *adj.*, see prec., + *-DOM*]

Christian (kris'tyan), *a.* & *n.* (Person) believing in, professing, or belonging to, the religion of Christ (also as *adj.* of communities); of Christ or his religion; (person) showing character consistent with Christ's teaching, of genuine piety, Christ-like, (also as *adj.* of conduct, feelings, communities, etc.); human (person) as opposed to *brute*, *brutal*; (sl.) civilized, decent, (person); ~ *burial* (with the ceremonies of the church); ~ *name*, given at baptism; ~ *era*, reckoned from supposed birth of Christ; ~ *Science*, *Scientist*, (adherent of) a system of combating disease etc. without medical treatment by mental effect of patient's ~ *faith*. Hence or cogn. ~ *IZE* (2, 3) *v.i.* & *t.*, ~ *IZA'TION* *n.*, ~ *LIKE* *a.*, ~ *LY* *adv.* [*f.* *L. Christianus* (*CHRIST*, -*I*, -*AN*)]

Christian'ia (k-; -*ahn*-), *n.* A swing in skiing, used to stop short (abbr. *Chris'tie*). [~ in Norway (now Oslo)]

Christian'ity (k-), *n.* The Christian faith, doctrines of Christ & his apostles; a Christian religious system; being a Christian, Christian quality or character. [*f.* *L. Christianitas* (as prec., -*TY*)]

Christie's (kris'tiz), *n.* A sale-room in London esp. for art sales.

Christmas (kris'm-), *n.* (abbr. *Xmas*). (Also ~ *day*) festival of Christ's birth, 25th Dec., devoted esp. to family reunion & merrymaking, & a quarter-day (*Father* ~, personification of family festivity); (also ~ *tide*) week or more beginning 24th Dec. (~ *eve*); (attrib.) appropriate to ~, as ~ *book*, *card* (of greeting by post), *number* (of magazine), *present*, *pudding*;

|| ~-box (cf. BOXING-DAY), money given at ~ to postman etc. in general acknowledgement of indefinite or continuous services; ~-tree, small tree set up in room & hung with candles, presents, etc.; ~ rose, white-flowered hellebore blooming Dec.-Feb. Hence ~Y a. [OE *Cristles mæsse* (MASS¹)]

Christe- (k-), comb. form of L *Christus* or Gk *Χριστός* CHRIST, as ~phany (-fē), manifestation of Christ. Hence **Christo-**L'ATRY, **Christoman'**IAO (-mā-), **Christo-**L'OGY, **Christol'**OGIST, nn., **Christo-**LO'GICAL a.

Chris'ty min'streis (k-; -z), n. pl. Negro-song troupe with blacked faces. [Inventor's name]

chromat'ic (k-), a. 1. Of, produced by, full of bright, colour (~ *printing*, from blocks inked with various colours; ~s, science of colour). 2. (Mus.) of, having, notes not included in diatonic scale; ~ scale, proceeding by semitones; ~ semitone, interval between note & its flat or sharp. Hence **chromat'ically** adv. [f. Gk *chrōmatikōs* (chrōma-*atos* colour, -tō)]

chrōm'atin (k-), n. (biol.). Tissue that can be stained. [as *CHROMATO-* + -IN]

chrōm'ate-, **chrōm'o-**, (k-), comb. forms of Gk *chrōma* -*atos* colour, as in *chromatop'ey*, abnormally coloured vision, *chromo-photograph(y)*, photograph(y) in the natural colours, *chrōm'osphere*, red gaseous envelope of sun.

chrōm'atrop'e (k-), n. Lantern slide of two circular disks, one rotating in front of other, giving kaleidoscopic movement of colours. [Irreg. f. prec. + Gk *-tropos* -turning (*trepo*)]

chrōme (k-), n. (Also ~-yellow) yellow pigment & colour got from chromate of lead; ~ green, orange, red, pigments from other compounds of chromium. [F, orig. name of *chromium*, f. Gk *chrōma* colour]

chrōm'ic (k-), a. Of chromium. [prec. + -IC]

chrōm'ium (k-), n. (chem.). Metallic element. Hence **chrōm'ite**¹(3) n. [CHROMIUM + -IUM]

chromo-¹, comb. form of prec.

chromo-². See *CHROMATO-*.

chrōm'ograph (k-; -ahf), n., & v.t. (Reproduce with) gelatine copying-apparatus in which aniline dye is used for ink. [CHROMO-² + -GRAPH]

chrōmolith'ograph (-ahf), **chrōm'ō** (pl. -os), (k-), n. Picture printed in colours from stone. So **chrōmolith'os'rapher**, **chrōmolith'os'raphy**, nn., **chrōm'olito-graph'ic** a. [CHROMO-² + LITHOGRAPH]

chrōm'esōme (k-), n. (biol.). One of the rods or threads into which the chromatin of the cell-nucleus is transformed before cell-division occurs. [f. G *chromosom* (CHROMO- + Gk *sōma* body)]

chrōn'ic (k-), a. Lingering, lasting, inveterate, (of disease, of. ACUTE; ~ invalid,

with ~ complaint; also of other states as ~ doubt, rebellion); || (vulg.) bad, intense, severe. Hence **chrōn'ically** adv., **chrōn'icly** n. [f. F *chronique* f. L f. Gk *khronikos* (*khronos* time, -tō)]

chrōn'icle (k-), n., & v.t. (Enter, relate, in a) continuous register of events in order of time; *Chronicles*, two books of O.T.; narrative, account; C-, newspaper name. Hence **chrōn'icler**¹ n. [f. OF *cronique* f. mod. L *cronica* -ae f. L f. Gk *khronika* neut. pl., see prec.]

chronique scandaleuse (see Ap.), n. Body of scandalous gossip current at any time & place. [F]

chrōn'ogram (k-), n. Phrase etc. of which the Roman-numeral letters added give a date, as Lord have Me'Cie Vpon Vs = 50 + 500 + 5 + 1000 + 100 + 1 + 5 + 5 = 1666. Hence **chrōnogrammat'ic** a. [f. Gk *khronos* time + -GRAM; -matic after Gk *grammatikos* adj. f. *gramma*]

chrōn'ograph (k-; -ahf), n. Instrument recording time with extreme accuracy; stop-watch. Hence **chrōn'ograph'ic** a. [as prec. + -GRAPH]

chron'ol'ogy (k-), n. Science of computing dates; arrangement of events with dates, table or treatise displaying this. Hence or cogn. ~ol'OGER, ~ol'OGIST, nn., **chrōnol'ogical** a., **chrōnol'ogically**¹ adv., ~ol'OGIZE³ v.t. [as prec. + -LOGY]

chrōn'ometer (k-), n. Time-measuring instrument, esp. one with complete provision against disturbance by temperature, used for fixing longitude at sea etc. [as prec. + -METER]

chrōn'ometr'y (k-), n. Scientific time-measurement. So **chrōn'omet'ric**(AL) aa., **chrōnomet'rically**² adv. [as prec. + -METRY]

chrōn'opher (k-), n. Apparatus for distributing electric time-signals. [as prec., Gk *-phoros* -bearing (*phero* bear)]

chrōn'oscope (k-), n. Apparatus measuring velocity of projectiles. [as prec. + -SCOPE]

chrys- (k-), comb. form of Gk *khruos* gold, = yellow in chem. & mineral wds, of gold, golden, yellow, etc., in general wds.

chrys'al's, -id, (k-), n. (pl. -ises, -ids, *chrysal'ids*). Form taken by insect in the torpid stage of passive development between larva (caterpillar etc.) & imago (butterfly etc.); case then enclosing it; (fig.) preparatory or transition state. [f. L f. Gk *khruanthis* -idos lit. golden thing, see prec.]

chrys'an'themum (k-), n. (Bot.) genus including Corn Marigold; (Gardening) cultivated varieties of this brought from Japan & blooming in Nov. & Dec.; *land of the ~*, Japan. [f. L f. Gk *khruanthe-mon* (CHREYS-*anthemon* flower)]

chryselephan'tine (k-), a. Overlaid with gold & ivory as by ancient Greek sculp-

- tors. [f. Gk *khruσελεphantinos* (CHRYΣ-, ELEPHANT, -INE²)]
- chryso-** (k-). = CHRYΣ-.
- chrysobēryl** (k-), n. Yellowish-green gem. [f. L f. Gk *khruσobēryllos* (CHRYΣO-, BERYL)]
- chrys'olite** (k-), n. (Formerly) green gem of various kinds; (now) olivine. [f. OF *crisolite* f. L f. Gk *khruσolithos* (CHRYΣO-, lithos stone)]
- chrys'oprase** (k-; -z), n. (N.T.) prob. a golden-green variety of beryl; (now) apple-green variety of chalcedony. [f. OF *crisopace* f. L f. Gk *khruσoprasos* (CHRYΣO-, prason leek)]
- chüb**, n. Thick coarse-fleshed river fish of the carp family, dusky green above. [ME *chubbe*, etym. dub.]
- chübb'** y, a. Round-faced, plump. Hence ~INESS n. [CHUB + -Y²]
- chück¹**, int., n., & v. i. (Make) call of fowl or person calling fowls or urging horse. [imit.]
- chück²**, n. Term of endearment. Hence ~Y² n. [prob. var. of CHICK]
- chück³**, v. t., & n. Jerk under the chin (n. & v.); fling, throw, (n. & v.) with contempt, carelessness, ease, (the ~, sl., dismissal, as give one the ~); ~ away, waste, lose (chance etc.); ~ up the sponge, give up contest or attempt; ~ up, abandon in disgust; ~ out, expel (troublesome person) from meeting, music-hall, etc., whence || ~ER¹-out n.; (sl.) ~ it, cease; ~ farthing, kind of quoit game with coins, also pitch and toss. [in 16th c. *chock*, perh. f. F *choc, choquer*]
- chück⁴**, n., & v. t. Contrivance in lathe & the like for holding work to be operated on; (vb) fix (wood etc.) to this. [var. of CHOCK¹]
- chück⁵**, n. (sl.). Food, grub; *hard* ~ (Naut.), ship's biscuit; ~-wagon, provision-cart accompanying pioneers etc. [?]
- chüc'kle**, v. i., & n. (Indulge in) suppressed laughter, laugh with closed mouth, (show) signs of glee; exult over; (make) hen's call. [imit. & cf. CHUCK¹, -LE(3)]
- chüc'kle-head** (-həd), n., **chüc'kle-headed** (-həd-), a. Dolt(ish); stupid (follow). [f. obs. *chuckle* adj. hulking cf. CHUCK⁴, CHOCK¹]
- chüdd'ar**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Large sheet, worn as shawl or head-covering by Indian women. [Hind. *chadar*]
- chüg**, n. Characteristic sound of oil-engine or small petrol-engine when running slowly (also as v. i., esp. of exhaust gases). [imit.]
- chükk'er**, n. (polo). Each of the periods into which the game is divided. [Hind. *chakar*]
- chüm**, v. i. (-mm-), & n. i. Occupy rooms together, whence ~m'ny(3) n.; be intimate; ~ up (colloq.), form intimacy (with). 2. n. Familiar friend (esp. now among boys); (Australia) *new* ~, recent immigrant, greenhorn. [from 1684; etym. dub.]
- chümp**, n. Short thick lump of wood; || thick end, esp. of loin of mutton (see ~ chop); (colloq.) head, || esp. off one's ~, mad with excitement etc.; (sl.) fool, blockhead. [mod. wd perh. on *chop* & *lump*]
- chünk**, n. (colloq.). Thick lump, cut off (wood, bread, cheese, etc.). [prob. var. of CHUCK⁴]
- chupatt'y**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Small flat cake of coarse unleavened bread. [Hind. *chapatti*]
- chürch¹**, n. Building for public Christian worship, || esp. according to established religion of country; all Christians (*C* ~ militant, Christians on earth warring against evil); an organized Christian society of any time (*primitive C* ~), place (*C* ~ of Scotland), or distinguishing principle (*reformed C* ~); *C* ~ of England, English or Anglican C ~, English branch of Western or Latin Church rejecting Pope's supremacy since reformation; *Established C* ~, recognized by State, as *C* ~ of England, Scotland; organization, clergy & other officers, of a religious society or corporation; clerical profession (*go into the C* ~, take holy orders); HIGH, LOW¹, BROAD ~, parties with different views of doctrine & discipline, whence ~-man, ~-ism(3), nn.; public worship (*go to, after* ~; ~-time; ~-goer, -going); *C* ~ Army, C.E. mission to working classes founded by Preb. Carlile in 1882; ~-man, ~-woman, ~-manship, member, membership, of ~; *poor as a* ~ mouse, of poor person; || ~-rate, levied by vestry for maintenance of parish ~ & its services; ~ service, public worship, || book with Common Prayer, proper lessons, etc.; ~-text, black letter in monumental inscriptions; ~ward'en, elected lay representative of parish (usu. one of two, elected one by incumbent, one by parishioners), || also long clay pipe; ~yard, enclosed ground in which ~ stands, sometimes used for burial (|| ~yard cough, heralding death; *fat* ~yard, many deaths). Hence ~LESS a., ~ward(s) adv. [OE *circe* f. WG *kirika* f. Gk *kuriakon* (perh. *dōma* Lord's (house) f. *kuriōs* lord, -ac)]
- chürch²**, v. t. Bring (woman) to church to have thanks offered for delivery of child. [f. prec.]
- chürch'** y, a. Obtrusively or intolerantly devoted to church or opposed to dissent. Hence ~fy v. t., ~NESS n. [-Y²]
- chür'l**, n. Person of low birth (*gentleman* or ~); peasant, boor; ill-bred fellow; cross-grained or nigardly person, whence ~ISH¹ a., ~ishly adv., ~ishness n. [OE *ceorl* f. WG *kerl* man]
- churn**, n., & v. t. & i. (Agitate milk or cream, produce butter, in) butter-making

machine; work this machine; stir (liquid) about, make it froth; (of sea etc.) wash to and fro, foam, seethe; || large milk-can of ~ shape; ~dash(er), -staff, appliance for agitating milk in ~; a ~ing, amount of butter made at once. [OE *cyrin* com.-Teut. cf. Du. *karn*]

chūrr, v.i., & n. (Make) deep trill as of night-jar. [imit., cf. CHURR]

chūt, int. of impatience. [imit.]

chute (shōt), n. Smooth rapid descent of water over slope; sloping channel, slide, with or without water, for conveying things to lower level (also *shoot*); slope for shooting rubbish down; toboggan-slide. [mixture of F *chute* = It. *caduta* (L *cadere* fall) & SHOOT]

chūt'ney (pl. ~s), -nee, n. Hot Indian condiment of fruits, chillies, etc. [f. Hind. *chatni*]

chyle (kil), n. White milky fluid formed by action of pancreatic juice & bile on chyme. [F, f. L f. Gk *khulos* juice (*khupour*)]

chylo- (ki-), comb. form of Gk *khulos* CHYLE.

chyme (kim), n. Food converted by gastric secretion into acid pulp. [f. L f. Gk *khumos* juice (*khupour*); *khumos* & *khulos*, synonyms, were differentiated by Galen]

chym'ist(ry). Old spelling of CHEMIST(RY).

chymo- (ki-), comb. form of Gk *khumos* CHYME.

cibōr'ium, n. (Archit.) canopy, canopied shrine; receptacle for reservation of Eucharist, shaped like shrine, or cup with arched cover. [f. med. L f. Gk *kibōrion* seed-vessel of water-lily, cup so shaped]

cicad'a, **cica'la**, **ciga'la**, (-ah-), n. Transparent-winged shrill-chirping insect [(-cala It.; -gala f. F -gale) f. L (-da)]

cic'atrice, **cicāt'rix**, n. (-iz, pl. -ices, L form in scientific use). Scar of healed wound; scar on tree bark; (Bot.) mark left by fall of leaf etc., hilum of seed. Hence **cicatr'i'cial** (-shl), **cicāt'ricosm'**, aa. [F (-ice), f. L *cicatricem* nom. -iz]

cicāt'ric'ūle, n. (Biol.) germ of chick, round white spot on yolk, tread; (Bot.) -prec. [f. L *cicatrícula* (prec., -ūle)]

cic'at'rice, v.t. & i. Heal, skin over, (t. & i.); mark with scars. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *cicatrizer* f. L *cicatricare* (CICATRICE) w. assim. to -ize (prop. *cicatrice*)]

cic'cely, n. Kinds of umbelliferous plant (Sweet, Wild, Rough, C~). [f. L f. Gk *seselis* SESELI w. assim. to the woman's name (= *Cecilia*)]

cicerōn'ē (chiche-), n. (pl. -oni pr. -ōnē), & v.t. (Conduct traveller etc. as) guide who understands & explains antiquities etc. [It., f. L *Ciceronem* nom. -o the Roman orator]

Cicerōn'ian, a. & n. Eloquent, classical, or rhythmical, as Cicero's style; (n.)

person learned in or admiring Cicero. Hence ~ISM(3, 4) n. [f. L *Ciceronianus* (prec., -ian)]

cicisbeo (chichibbā'ō), n. (pl. -bet pr. -bāē). Recognized gallant of married woman. So **cicisbe'ism**(3) n. [It.]

Cid, n. The ~, title (lord) of Ruy Diaz, 11th-c. Christian champion against Moors, & of epic relating his deeds. [Sp., f. Arab. *sayyid*]

-cide, suf. forming nouns meaning (1) slayer of (F, f. L -*cida*) or (2) slaughter of (F, f. L -*cidium*) both f. L *caedere* kill; taken f. L as *parricide*, or formed on L nn. as *regicide* or facetiously on E nn. as *birdicide*.

cid'er, n. Fermented drink from apple-juice; ~-cup; ~-press, for squeezing juice from apples. [f. OF *sudre* f. LL f. Gk *sikera* f. Heb. *shekar* strong drink (*shakar* drink deeply)]

ci-devant (sec Ap.), a. or adv. Former(ly), that has been (with the earlier name or state). [F]

cigala. See CICADA.

cigār', n. Roll of tobacco-leaf for smoking; ~-shaped, cylindrical with pointed end(s); ~-holder, mouthpiece holding ~. [f. Sp. *cigarro* perh. f. *cigarra* cicada (of similar shape)]

cigar'ette, n. Small cylinder of cut tobacco or of narcotic or medicated substance rolled in paper for smoking. [dim. of prec.]

cil'ia, n. pl. Eyelashes; similar fringe on leaf, insect's wing, etc.; (Physiol.) hair-like vibrating organs on animal & vegetable tissue, serving many lower water animals for locomotion. Hence ~ARY¹, ~ATE², ~ated, aa., ~A'TION n. [pl. of L *ciliū* eyelash]

cil'ice, n. (Garment of) hair-cloth. [F, also OE *clic*, f. Gk *kilikion* (*Kilikia* Cilicia)]

Cimmé'rian, a. Thick, gloomy, (of darkness, night, etc.). [f. L f. Gk *kimmerios* (of Cimmeri, people in perpetual night) + -AN]

***cinch**, n. Saddle-girth used in Mexico etc.; (sl.) sure thing, a certainty. [Sp. *cincha*]

cinchōn'a (-kō-), n. Kinds of evergreen tree yielding cinchona bark or Peruvian bark & quinine; the bark, drug made from it & highly esteemed as tonic & febrifuge. Hence **cinchona'** CROUS a., **cin'chonix**², **cin'chonism**(5), nn., **cin'chonizm**(5) v.t., (-ko-). [Countess of *Chinchon*, introducer of drug in Spain 1640]

Cincinnāt'us, n. Great man in retirement who can be called upon in a crisis. [Roman hero called from plough to dictatorship]

cinc'ture, n., & v.t. (Surround with or as with a) girdle, belt, fillet, border. [f. L *cinctura* (*cingere* cinct- gird, -vāz)]

cin'der, n. Slag; residue of coal, wood, etc., that has ceased to flame (whether

cold or not) but has still combustible matter in it; (loosely in pl.) ashes; ~*path*, running-track laid with fine ~s; ~*sifter*, for separating ~s from ashes. Hence ~*y* a. [OE *sinder* cf. G *sinter*, Sw. *sinder*, w. asstm. to the unconnected F *centred* & L *cinis* -eris]

Cinderella, n. Person of unrecognized merit or beauty; ~ *dances* or ~, dance closing at twelve o'clock. [allusions to fairy-tale]

cin'é-, comb. form of CINEMA; so: ~*camera* (for taking cinematographic photographs); ~*film*; ~*projector*; ~*variety*, vaudeville entertainment including a cinema show.

cinéma, n. Cinematograph theatre; *the* ~, cinematography, moving pictures. [abbr. of foll.]

cinémátograph (-ahf), n., & v.t. & i.

1. Apparatus producing pictures of motion by the rapid projection on a screen of a great number of photographs taken successively on a long film; = prec.

2. v.t. Make ~ film of (scene), film; (v.i.) use ~. Hence **cinémátograph**ic a., -ical^{ly} adv., **cinémátógraph**y¹ n.

[f. F *cinématographe* f. Gk *kinēma* -atos movement (*kinēō* move), see -GRAPH]

cinerária, n. Bright-flowered composite plant, grown chiefly under glass. [f. L *cinerarius* of ashes f. *cinis* -eris ashes (ash-coloured down on leaves)]

cinerarium n. Vessel in which a cinerary urn is deposited. [as prec.]

cin'erary, a. Of ashes (esp. ~ *urn*, holding ashes of dead after cremation). [as prec.]

cinér'eous, a. Ashen-grey (esp. of birds or plumage). [f. L *cinereus* (*cinis* -eris ashes) + -OUS]

Cingalése (-nggaléz), **Sin(g)halése** (-z), a. & n. (Native, language) of Ceylon. [f. Skr. *siṅhaleśa*]

cing'islaun (-ngg-), n. Belt (used technically in Surg., Anat., Zool., etc.). [L]

cinn'abar, n. & a. Red mercuric sulphide, vermilion (n. & a.). [f. L *cinnabaris* f. Gk *kinmabari* f. Oriental source]

cinn'amom, n. & a. (E.-Ind. tree yielding) aromatic inner bark used as spice; ~*colour(ed)*, (of) yellowish-brown; ~*bear*, ~*coloured* variety of the common N. American black bear; ~*stone*, brown or yellow garnet. Hence or cogn. **cinn'a-mom**¹(3) n., **cinnamóm**ic, **cinnamóm**ic, aa. [f. F *cinnamome* f. L f. Gk *kinnamōmon* L. Semit. (Heb. *qinnāmōn*)]

cinque, **cing**, (sínk), n. The five at dice & cards. [f. OF *cinq* f. L *quinque* five]

cinquécen'to, **cinquécen'tist**, (chínkwiché-), nn. Italian style of art, artist, of the 16th c. (15-) with reversal to classical forms. [It. (-e, -ista) with omission (in It.) of *mí*]

cing(ue)fool (sínkf-), n. Kinds of plant with compound leaf of five leaflets;

(Archit.) five-cusped ornament in circle or arch. [thr. OF f. L *quinquefolium* five-leaf]

Cinque Ports (sínk), n. pl. Certain ports (orig. five only) on SE coast with ancient privileges. [f. OF *cinq* porz five ports]

ciph'er¹, **cý-**, n. Arithmetical symbol (0) of no value in itself but multiplying number it is placed after, and dividing decimal number it is placed before, by ten; person or thing of no importance; any Arabic figure; secret writing, thing so written, key to it; interlaced initials of person, company, etc., monogram; continued sounding of organ-note owing to defective valve. [f. OF *cufre* f. Arab. *cifr* zero (orig. adj. = empty)]

ciph'er², **cý-**, v.t. & i. Do arithmetic; work (usu. *out*) by arithmetic, calculate; put into secret writing (cf. DECIPHER); (of organ-note) go on sounding when not pressed. [f. prec.]

cip'olin, n. Italian white-&-green marble. [F, f. It. *cipollino* (*cipolla* onion) from resemblance of structure to coats of onion]

circ'a, **cir'eter**, prepp. (abbr. c. or circ.). About (with dates). [L]

Circá'ssian (-shn), a. & n. (Member, language) of a group of tribes of Caucasians race living in the Kuban province of Russia. [f. *Circassia* f. Russ. *Tcherkesa*]

Cir'cé, n. Enchantress, temptress. Hence **Cir'cé'AN** a. [proper name in Gk myth.]

cir'cinate, a. (bot.). (With leaves) rolled up from apex to base, as in most ferns. [f. L *circinare* make round (*circinus* compasses, -ATR²)]

cir'cle¹, n. 1. (Line enclosing) perfectly round plane figure (*square the ~*, find square of same area as given ~, attempt impossibilities; *great, small, ~*, ~ on surface of sphere whose plane passes, does not pass, through sphere's centre: POLAR, ARCTIC, ANTARCTIC, ~); (loosely) roundish enclosure; orbit of planet; ring, carved tier of seats at theatre etc. (*dress ~*, *upper ~*, more & less expensive) (Archaeol.) ring of stones as at Stonehenge. 2. Period, cycle, round, (*come full ~*, end at starting-point); circling-feat in gymnastics; complete series. 3. (Logic, often *vicious ~*) fallacy of proving proposition from another that rests on it for proof. 4. Action & reaction that intensify each other (often *vicious ~*). 5. Persons grouped round centre of interest; set, coterie, class, (*first, upper, ~s*; ~s in which one moves). 6. Area of influence, action, etc., sphere. Hence ~*wise* (-iw-) adv. [OE *circul* (ME *cerle* f. F) f. L *circulus* dim. of *circus* ring]

cir'cle², v.t. & i. Encompass (poet.); encompass *round, about*; move in a circle *round, about*; (Gym.) revolve round *bez* in various ways; be passed round (of

wine etc.); (Mil.) sweep round on moving flank (of cavalry, cf. *WHEEL*); (p.p.) rounded, marked with circles. [f. prec.]

circ'let, n. Small circle; circular band, esp. of gold, jewelled, etc., worn on head or elsewhere. [f. *F cerclet* (*CIRCLE*¹, -ET)]

circ's, n. pl. (colloq.). Circumstances. [abbr.]

circ'uit (-kit), n. Line enclosing an area, distance round; area enclosed; round-about journey; sequence of changes, acts, etc.; chain of theatres, cinemas, etc., under a single management; journey of judge in particular district to hold courts, this district (eight in Eng. & Wales), the barristers (*member of a ~*) making the ~; group of local Methodist churches forming a minor administrative unit (~ *riding*, itinerant preacher serving a ~); (Electr.) path of current (*short ~*, faulty shortening of a ~ by defective insulation). [f. f. L *circuitus* f. *CIRCUM* (ire it- go)]

circu'itous, a. Roundabout, indirect. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *circuitosus* (*CIRCUT*, -OSE¹)]

circ'ular, a. & n. Round in superficies; moving in a circle (|| ~ *tour*, ending where it began by different route, ~ *ticket*, for this); (Logic) of, using, the *vicious CIRCLE*¹; addressed to a circle of persons, customers, etc. (~ *note*, banker's letter of credit in traveller's favour to several foreign bankers; ~ *letter* or ~, notice, advertisement, etc., reproduced for distribution; of, like, the geometrical circle; ~ *saw*, toothed disk revolving by machinery for sawing. Hence *circu-lar'ity* n., ~*LY*¹ adv. [f. OF *circulier* f. L *circularis* (*CIRCLE*¹, -AR¹)]

circ'ularize, v.t. Send circulars to. [-IZ(1)]

circ'ulärte, v.i. & t. Go round (blood ~s through veins, water in pipes, wine on table, newspaper to circle of readers); (of decimals) = *RECUR*; send round, give currency to, (book, report, scandal, etc.); ~ing *library*, with books taken by subscribers in succession; ~ing *medium*, notes, gold, etc., used in exchange. [f. L *circulare* (*CIRCLE*², -ATE²)]

circulä'tion, n. Movement of blood from and to heart, similar movement of sap etc.; movement to and fro (~ of *water*, *atmosphere*, etc.); transmission, distribution, (of news, books, etc.); number of copies sold, esp. of newspapers; currency, coin, etc. [f. f. L *circulationem* (*circulare* see prec., -ATION)]

circ'ulä'tive, a. Inclined to, promoting, circulation. [as prec., -IVE]

circ'ulä'tor, n. One who circulates news, coin, etc. [as prec., -OR¹]

circ'ulätör'y, a. Of circulation of blood or sap. [f. L *circulatorius* (as prec., -ORY)]

circum-, pref. = L adv. & prep. *circum* round, about, used (1) adverbially, as *circum'eagant* wandering round or about;

(2) prepositionally, as *circumocular* surrounding the eye. E wds are some f. L (direct, as *circumscribe*, or thr. F as *circumcise*), some formed in E on L elements as *circumambient*, & some facetious hybrids as *circumbendibus*.

circumäm'bilent, a. Surrounding (esp. of air or other fluid). Hence ~*ENCY* n. [*CIRCUM*-(1) + *AMBIENT*]

circumäm'büläte, v.t. & i. Walk round (place etc.); walk about; beat about the bush. Hence ~*ATION* n., ~*ATORY* a. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*ambulare* walk), -ATE²]

circumbën'dibus, n. (loc.). Round-about method; circumlocution. [*CIRCUM*-(1), *BEND*, ending of L abl. pl. case]

circ'umcise (-z), v.t. Cut off foreskin of (as Jewish or Mohammedan rite, or surgically); purify (~ the *heart*, *passions*, etc.). [f. OF *circunciser* f. L *CIRCUM* (*cidere* -cis = *cadere* cut)]

circum'cision (-izhn), n. Act or rite of, spiritual purification by, circumcising; (Bibl.) the ~, the Jews; (Eccl.) festival of C- of Christ, 1st Jan. [f. OF *circumcision* f. L *circumcisionem* (as prec., -ION)]

circum'ference, n. Encompassing boundary, esp. of figure enclosed by curve, as circle; distance round. So **circum'feren'tial** (-shl) a. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*ferentia* f. *ferent* part. st. of *ferre* bear, & see -ENCE)]

circ'umflëx, a. & n., & v.t. ~ (*accend*), mark (~ or ~ in Gk, ~ elsewhere) placed over vowel to indicate contraction, length, or special quality (vb, mark thus); (Anat.) curved, bending round something else, (~ *artery*, *muscle*, etc.). [f. L *CIRCUM* (*flectus* n.p. of *flectere* bend) transl. of Gk *perispōmenos*]

circum'fluent (-löö-), a. Flowing round, surrounding. Hence ~*ENCE* n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*fluens* f. *fluere* flow, -ENT)]

circum'fluous (-löö-), a. = prec.; surrounded by water. [f. L *CIRCUMFLUUS* flowing or flowed round (*fluere* flow) + -OUS]

circumf'use (-z), v.t. Pour (fluid) about or round (object); surround, bathe, (object with, or of fluid as subj.). So ~*SION* (-zhn) n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*fundere* f. *fundere* pour)]

circum'gyr'äte, v.i. Turn, wheel, travel, round. Hence ~*GYRATION* n. [*CIRCUM*-(1) + *GYRATE*]

circumjä'cent, a. Situated around. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*jacens* part. st. of *jacere* lie)]

circum'itt'oral, a. Bordering the shore. [*CIRCUM*-(2) + L *litus* -oris shore + -AL]

circumlocu'tion, n. Use of many words where few would do; evasive talk; a roundabout expression; C- *office*, dilatory Government office. Hence ~*AL*, ~*ARY*¹, (-shon-), **circumloc'ütory**, aa., ~*IST*(1) (-shon-) n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*locutio* locution)]

circum-mërid'ian, a. (astron.). Near the meridian (of observations taken of star etc. when so placed). [*CIRCUM*-(2)]

círcumnäv'igät'e, v.t. Sail round (esp. *the globe or world*). Hence ~**ör**² n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*navigare* NAVIGATE)]

círcumnüt'äte, v.i. (bot.). Bend towards all points of compass successively (of growing parts of plant). Hence ~**ä'tion** n. [CIRCUM-(1), NUTATE]

círcumö'äl, a. (physiol.). Placed round mouth. [CIRCUM-(2), L *os oris* mouth, -AL]

círcumpöl'ar, a. (Astron.) ~ *star, motion*, etc., above horizon throughout diurnal course; (Geog.) about, near, one of the earth's poles. [CIRCUM-(2), L *polus* POL², -AR¹]

círc'umscribe, v.t. Draw line round; (Geom.) describe (figure) round another touching it at points, but not cutting it; lay down limits of, confine, restrict; define logically; sign (round robin), whence **círcumscrib'ér**¹ n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*scribere* script- write)]

círcumscrip'tion, n. Having, marking out, or imposing, of limits; boundary; limited district; definition; (Geom.) circumscribing (see prec.); inscription round coin etc. [f. L *circumscriptio* (prec.), -ION]

círcumsöl'ar, a. Revolving round, being near, the sun. [CIRCUM-(2), SOL¹, -AR¹]

círc'umspect, a. Cautious, wary, taking everything into account. Hence or cogn. **círcumspec'tion**, ~**ness**, n., ~**ive** a., ~**ly**² adv. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*spectus* p.p. of *-spicere* look at) considered, of act, & transf. of persons]

círc'umstance, n. 1. (Pl.) time, place, manner, cause, occasion, etc., surroundings, of an act; external conditions affecting or that might affect an agent (*in, under, the ~s*, owing to or making allowance for them; *under no ~s*, not whatever happens, never); material welfare (*in good, bad, easy, reduced, straitened, ~s*). 2. (Sing.) full detail in narrative; ceremony, fuss, (*without ~*, unceremoniously; *pomp & ~*); incident, occurrence, fact (esp. *the ~ that*). Hence **círc'umstanced**² (-st) a. [OFF L *CIRCUM* (*stantia* f. part. of *stare* stand) surrounding state]

círcumstán'tial (-shl), a. Depending on subordinate details (~ *evidence*, establishing the doubtful main fact by inference from known facts otherwise hard to explain); adventitious, incidental; with many details (~ *story*). Hence **círcumstántiál'ity** (-shi) n., ~**ly**² (-shal) adv. [as prec. + -AL]

círcumväll'äte, v.t., **círcumvällä'tion**, n. (Surround with) rampart or entrenchment, process of doing this. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*vallare* f. *vallum* rampart), see -**ÄT**², -**ATION**]

círcum'vënt', v.t. Entrep; overreach, outwit. So ~**vén'tion** n. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*venire* vent- come)]

círcumvöl'ution (-löö-), n. Rolling

round; coil; period; sinuous movement. [f. L *CIRCUM* (*volvere* volut- roll), -ION]

círc'us, n. Rounded or oval arena lined with tiers of seats for equestrian & other exhibitions; amphitheatre of hills; || open circle with streets converging on it; travelling show of horses, riders, etc. [L, = ring]

círcue (-k), n. Arena, natural amphitheatre, (chiefly poet. & rhet.). [F] f. L as prec.]

círrhös'is (síř-), n. Disease of liver, chiefly alcoholic. [Gk *kirrhos* tawny, -OSIS]

círri-, **cirro-**, comb. form of **CIRRUS**. Hence **círri'króus**, **círri'form**, aa., & names of cloud-forms as **cirro-cúm'ulus**. [-i-, -o-]

círripéd, -**ède**, n. Marine animal in valved shell attached to other bodies, with legs like curl of hair. [f. F *cirri* (*pède* f. L *pes* pedis foot)]

cír'rus, n. (pl. -**ri**). (Bot.) tendril; (Zool.) slender appendage, as beard of fishes, feet of cirripeds; (Meteor.) form of cloud with diverging filaments like lock of hair or wool. Hence **círrose**¹, **cír'rous**, aa. [L, = curl]

cis-, pref. = on this side of, opp. to *trans-* or *ultra-*, retaining in some orig. L wds the Roman sense (*cispadane*, *cisalpine*, S. or Rome-wards of Po, Alps), but usu. w. ref. to speaker's or majority's position (*cismontane*, N. of Alps or non-Italian; *cis-Leitha*, W. of Leitha, Austrian, non-Hungarian; *cis-pontine*, in London, on northern or better-known side of bridges or Thames); prefixed to the adj. form of the second element; often used in wds made for the nonce in opposition to wds in *trans-* or *ultra-* (*transatlantic & cisatlantic*); also of time as *cis-Elizabethan*. [L prep.]

* **ciss'y**, **si-**, n. (sl.). Effeminate person. [ult. f. SISTER]

cist, n. (archaeol.). Prehistoric stone or hollowed-tree coffin; round receptacle used esp. for sacred purposes. [f. L f. Gk *kisté* box]

Cister'cian (-shn), n. & a. (Monk) of order founded 1098 at Cistercium or Cîteaux, stricter offshoot of Benedictines, also called *Bernardine* as patronized by St Bernard of Clairvaux. [-AN]

cis'tern, n. Reservoir for storing water, usu. on upper storey with pipes supplying taps on lower levels (also fig., of pond). [f. OF *cisterne* f. L *cisterna* (*cista* see CIST) of, caverna]

cis'tus, n. Kinds of shrub with large white or red short-lived flowers. [f. Gk *kistos*]

cit, n. (arch.). Citizen (usu. in derogatory sense). [abbr. of *citizen*]

cit'adel, n. Fortress, esp. one guarding or dominating city; last retreat of hard-pressed party, belief, etc. [f. F *citadelle* f.

It. *cittadella* dim. of *cittade* f. L. *civitatem* CITY]

cite, v.t. Summon to appear in law-court; quote (passage, book, author) in support of a position; mention as example. Hence or cogn. **CIT'ABLE** a., **CITATION** n., (also) *mention in an official dispatch. [f. F *citer* f. L. *citare* frequent. of *citer* set moving]

cith'er(n), **citt'ern**, n. (arch. or poet.). Wire-stringed lute-like instrument usu. played with plectrum. [f. L f. Gk *kithara* harp with seven to eleven strings]

citizen, n. Burgess, freeman, of city; townsman; civilian; member, native or naturalized, of a State (usu. of: ~ of the world, cosmopolitan); inhabitant of. Hence ~**HOOD**, ~**SHIP**, nn. [ME *citescin* (-s) perh. on anal. of **DENIZEN**] f. OF *citeain* (CITY, -AN)]

citôle', n. (hist.) = **CITHER**(N). [OF, prob. as **CITHERN** with dim. ending]

citr-, comb. form of foll. Hence **CIT'RATE**¹ (3) n.

CIT'ric, a. (chem.). Of citron (esp. ~ **acid**). [f. L *citrus* CITRON + -IO]

CIT'rine, a. Lemon-coloured. [f. F *citrin* f. L *citrus*, -INE¹]

citro-. = **CITR-**.

CIT'ron, n. (Tree bearing) lemon-like but larger, less acid, & thicker-skinned fruit; lemon colour. [F, f. It. *citrone* (L *citrus*, -OON)]

citronêll'a, n. Fragrant ethereal oil obtained from a tropical grass, used for keeping insects away. [mod. L, as CITRON]

CIT'rus, n. The genus including the citron, lemon, lime, orange, etc. [L]

cittern. See **CITHER**(N).

CIT'y, n. (Loosely) important town; || (strictly) town created city by charter, esp. as containing cathedral (but not all cathedral towns are cities, nor vice versa); ~ of REFUGE; *Holy C~*, Jerusalem, Heaven; *Eternal C~*, *C~ of the Seven Hills*, Rome; *Celestial C~*, *Heavenly C~*, *C~ of God*, Paradise; || *the C~*, part of London governed by Lord Mayor & Corporation, business part of this, commercial circles, || (*C~ man*, in commerce or finance; *C~ article*, in newspaper on these; *C~ Company*, corporation representing ancient trade-guild); *C~ editor*, one who deals with the financial news of a daily or weekly journal; ~ *state*, a city that is also an independent sovereign state. Hence ~(**CITIZ**)¹ (-tid), ~**LESS**, a., ~**WARD**(s) adv. [f. OF *cité* f. L. *civikatem* (civis citizen, -TY) citizenship, community]

civ'et, n. (Also ~**cat**) carnivorous quadruped between fox & weasel in size & look; strong musky perfume got from anal glands of this. [f. F *civette* f. Arab. *subad*]

civ'ic, a. Of, proper to, citizens (~ **crown**,

oak-garland, Roman honour to one who saved fellow-citizen's life in war); of city, municipal; of citizenship, civil, (~ *virtues, activity*), whence **CIV'IOS** n. Hence **CIV'ICALLY** adv. [f. L *civicus* (civis citizen, -IO)]

civ(v)'les (-viz), n. pl. (sl.). Civilian clothes. [abbr.]

civ'ill, a. 1. Of gregarious men (~ *society, life*); of a citizen community (~ *institutions*; ~ *war*, confined to this, between fellow-citizens, *The C~ War*, in Engl., between Charles I & Parliament, in U.S., War of Secession); ~ *disobedience* (India), refusal to pay taxes, obey laws, etc., as part of a political campaign; or, becoming, a citizen (~ *rights, liberty*; ~ *spirit*). 2. Polite, obliging, not rude, whence (with pl. = favours) **CIVIL'ITY** n. 3. Not naval, military, etc. (~ *defence*, wartime civilian organization for dealing esp. with air raids; ~ **ENGINEER**¹; *C~ Service*, all non-warlike branches of State administration, *C~ Servant*, member of one of them). 4. Not ecclesiastical (~ *magistrates*, & formerly ~ *law*; ~ *marriage*, solemnized as ~ contract without religious ceremony). 5. Not criminal (~ *law*, concerning questions of private rights merely). 6. Not natural or astronomical (~ *day, year*, as recognized for dating etc.). 7. *C~ Law*, Roman law (so D.C.L.; & see above); || ~ *list*, Parliamentary allowance for King's household & royal pensions. Hence ~**LY**¹ adv. [F, f. L *civilis* (civis citizen, -IV)]

civil'ian (-yan), n. & a. (Person) not in or of navy or army or air force; (also *Indian C~*) member of Indian Civil Service. [arch. sense, one learned in Civil Law, f. OF *civilien* as prec., -IAN]

civiliz'ation, n. Making or becoming civilized; stage, esp. advanced stage, in social development; civilized States. [f. foll. + -ATION]

civil'ize, v.t. Brb of barbarism, enlighten, refine; ~ *away*, get rid of (barbarous habits etc.). Hence ~**ABLE** a., ~**ER**¹ n. [f. F *civiliser*, see **CIVIL**, -IZE(3)]

Civv'y Street, n. (sl.). Civilian life. [abbr.]

clăck, n., & v.i. 1. Sharp sound as of boards struck together; flap-valve in pumps etc.; clatter of tongues. 2. v.i. Chatter loudly; make sound as of clogs on stone. [prob. imit.; cf. F *claque(r)*, Du. *klakken*]

clăd. See **CLOTH**.

clăd(o)-, comb. form of Gk *klados* young shoot, in bot. terms as *cladocarpous* with fruit on lateral branchlets.

claim¹, v.t. Demand as one's due (recognition etc., to be, *that* one should be, recognized etc.); represent oneself as having (~ *the victory, accuracy*); profess to (be the owner, *have told the truth*); demand recognition of the fact that; contend, assert; (of things) deserve (esp.

attention). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ANT(1) n. [f. OF *clamer* f. L *clamare* call out]

claim², n. Demand for something as due (*lay ~ to*); right, title, to thing, right to make demand on person; (Mining etc.) piece of land allotted; *~*junper*, one who appropriates a mining ~ already taken by another. [f. OF *claims* see prec.]

clairaud'ience, n., -*ant* a. & n. = foll. with 'hearing' for 'sight' 'seeing'. [after foll. f. L *audio* hear]

clairvoy'ance, n. Faculty of seeing mentally what is happening or exists out of sight; exceptional insight. [F (L *clarus* clear, *videre* see, -*ant*); first sense given in E]

clairvoy'ant, n. (occas. fem. -*te*), & a. (Person) having clairvoyance. [F, as prec., -*ant*]

clām¹. See CLAMP¹.

clām², n. Various bivalve shell-fish, esp. the N.-Amer. Hard or Round, & Soft or Long, C~, used for food. [orig. ~*shell* f. *clam* = CLAMP¹]

clām'ant, a. Noisy, insistent; urgent. [f. L *clamare* cry out, -*ant*]

clām'ber, v.i., & n. Climb with hands & feet; climb with difficulty or labour. [prob. f. CLIMB + -*er*², but cf. CLAMP¹ & G *sich klammern* hook oneself on]

clāmm¹ŷ, a. Moist, usu. cold, & sticky or slimy (of the hand, ill-baked bread, any surface). Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [perh. f. OE *clim* clay]

clām'our (-*mer*), n., & v.i. & t. Shout(ing); (make) loud appeal, complaint, or demand (aba., or for, *against*, to do; also as v.t., ~ *down*, silence, ~ *out of*, *into*, force by ~); (make) confused noise. So **clām'orous** a., **clām'orously**² adv. [f. OF f. L *clamor* (*clamare* call out)]

clāmp¹, n., & v.t. (also *clam* in some technical uses of n.). 1. Brace, clasp, or band, usu. of iron, for strengthening other materials or holding things together; various appliances or tools with opposite sides connected by screw for holding or compressing. 2. v.t. Strengthen, fasten together, with ~ or ~s. [f. 15th c.; there was OE *clam* in same sense]

clāmp², n., & v.t. 1. Pile (of bricks for burning, potatoes etc. under straw & earth, turf, peat, garden rubbish, etc.). 2. v.t. Pile (bricks etc.) up. [perh. = prec.; cf. Du. *klamp* a heap]

clān, n. Scottish Highlanders with common ancestor, esp. while under patriarchal control (~*s-man*, member, fellow member, of ~); tribe; family holding together, whence ~*n'sh*¹ a., ~*n'shly*² adv., ~*n'shness* n.; party, coterie, genus, species, class. [f. Gael. *clann* f. L *clanum*]

clāndestine, a. Surreptitious, secret. Hence ~LY² (-*ni*-) adv. [f. L *clandestinus* (*claus* secretly, cf. *insellus*, *madeline*)]

clāng, n., & v.i. & t. Loud resonant metallic sound (esp. of trumpet, arms, large bell, some birds); (vb) make, cause (thing) to make, this. [f. L *clangere* cf. Gk *klang*]

clāng'our (-*gger*), n. Succession, prevalence, of clanging noises. Hence **clāng'orous** a., **clāng'orously**² adv., (-*ngg*-). [f. L *clangor* (prec., -*or*²)]

clānk, n., & v.i. & t. Sound as of heavy chain rattling; (vb) make, cause (bucket, chain, etc.) to make, this. [f. 17th c., perh. on *clang*, *clink*; but cf. Du. *klank*]

clān'ship, n. The clan system; division into mutually jealous parties; devotion to a leader. [-*ship*]

clāp¹, n. Explosive noise (of thunder, of hand-palms struck together); slap, pat, (arch.). [perh. f. foll.]

clāp², v.i. & t. (-*pp*-). ~ *one's hands*, ~ (t. & i.), applaud by striking palms together loudly (also, usu. w. *hands*, strike them for warmth, as signal etc.); flap (wings) audibly; ~ *on the back*, slap so in encouragement or congratulation; put, place, quickly or energetically (spurs to horse, person in prison, duty on goods; ~ *on all sail*; ~ *up peace*, *barquin*, make hastily or carelessly; ~ *eyes on*, catch sight of, esp. w. neg.); ~ *net*, fowler's or entomologist's, shut by pulling string. [cf. G *klappen*, ON *klappa*]

clāp³, n. (not in decent use). Venereal disease, gonorrhoea. [?]

***clāp'board** (-*bōrd*), n. = WEATHER-board. [anglicized f. LG *klappholt* cask-stave]

clāpp'er, n. Tongue or striker of bell; hand or wind rattle for scaring birds. [CLAP² + -*er*¹]

clāpp'erclaw, v.t. Scratch & hit; abuse, criticize spitefully. [prec., CLAW]

clāp'trāp, n. & a. Language, sentiment, meant to catch applause; showy. [CLAP², TRAP]

claque (-*ahk*), **claqueur**¹ (-*kér*), nn. Hired body of applauders, hired ap- plauder. [F]

clā'rabēlla (-*ahr*-), n. Powerful fluty organ-stop. [f. L *clarus* clear, *bellus* pretty]

clā'rence, n. Four-wheeled close carriage with seats for four inside & two on box, four-wheeler cab. [Duke of C~ (William IV)]

Clā'renc(e)ux (-*sū*), n. Second king¹-of-Arms. [AF (-*ceux*), f. *Clarence* (Clare in Suffolk), dukedom of Lionel son of Edw. III]

clā'rendon, a. & n. (typog.). Thick-faced (type), thus, of various sizes.

clā'ret, n. & a. Kinds of red French wine imported from Bordeaux (usu. blends of light wine with Benicarlo); (sl.) blood (*lap one's ~*, make his nose bleed with blow of fist); ~*coloured* (ed), reddish-violet; artificial salmon-fly so coloured; ~*oup*¹. [OF (*vin* ~), = *claret* dim. of

clair f. L *clarus* clear (orig. of light red wines between white & red)]

clá'rifý, v.t. & i. Make clear (obscure subject, mind, sight); free from impurities, make transparent, (liquid, butter, air, etc.); become transparent (lit., & fig. of literary style etc.). [f. OF *clarifier* f. L *clarificare* (*clarus* clear, -FY)]

clá'rinét (also -ét'), n. Wood-wind instrument with single-reed mouthpiece, holes, & keys; organ-stop of like quality. So *clárinét'* IST(3) n. [f. F *clarinette* dim. of *clarine*=foll.]

clá'rión, n. & a. Shrill narrow-tubed trumpet formerly used in war; rousing sound; organ-stop of ~ quality; (adj.) clear & loud. [f. OF *claron* f. med. L *clarionem* nom. -io (CLEAR)]

clá'riónét', n. = CLARINET. [prec., -ET']

clá'ritý, n. Clearness. [ME & OF *clarté* f. L *claritatem* (*clarus* clear, -TY)]

clárk'ia, n. Kinds of plant with showy flowers. [W. *Clarke*, U.S. explorer]

clár'ý, n. Kind of pot-herb. [OE *slarie* f. mod. L *sclarea* etym. dub.]

clásh, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) loud broken sound as of collision, striking weapons, cymbals, bells rung together; encounter, conflict, (v.i., & n.); disagree(ment); be at variance with; colours ~, are discordant; rush or charge (vb) into, against, upon; ring (bells) all together. [prob. imit., perh. on *clang*, *crash*]

clasp¹ (-ah-), n. Contrivance of interlocking parts for fastening, buckle, brooch; metal fastening of book-cover; embrace, reach; grasp, handshake; bar of silver on medal-ribbon with name of occasion (in campaign commemorated by medal) at which wearer was present; ~knife, folding, with catch fixing blade when open. [f. 14th c.; excl. E; etym. dub.; var., *clapce*, cf. *hasp* *hapse*, *ask ax*]

clasp² (-ah-), v.t. & i. Fasten (clasp); fasten (t. & i.) with or as clasp; encircle, hold closely, embrace; grasp (another's hand); ~hands, shake hands emotionally, make common cause; ~one's hands, interlace fingers. [f. prec.]

clás'per (-ah-), n. In vbl senses; esp., (pl.) appendages of some male fish & insects for holding the female. [-ER']

class (-ah-), n., & v.t. 1. Rank, order, of society (*higher*, *upper*, *middle*, *lower*, *working*, ~es; *the* ~es, the rich or educated, opp. *the masses*); ~consciousness, esp. realizing & taking part in the conflict between the labouring & other ~es; caste system. 2. Set of students taught together, their time of meeting, their course of instruction, *all college students of same standing, (~fellow, ~mate, present or past member of same ~ with one; ~book, used by ~; ~room, where ~ is taught). 3. (In foreign armies) all the recruits of a year (the 1946 ~). 4. Division of candidates after examination (*take*

a ~, gain honours; so ~man opp. to *pass-man*; || ~list, issued by examiners).

5. Division according to quality (so *high*, *low*, *first*, *second*, etc., ~, as adj. of praise or depreciation, & *first*, *second*, *third*, ~, of railway carriages etc.; no ~, sl., quite inferior). 6. Number of individuals having common name as like in any respect. 7. (Nat. Hist.) highest division (~, *order*, *family*, *genus*, *species*) of animal, vegetable, or mineral kingdom. 8. Distinction, high quality (also attrib.). 9. v.t. Place in a ~; hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *classe* f. L *classis* assembly (*calare* convoke)]

cláss'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the first class, of allowed excellence; of the standard ancient Latin & Greek authors, art, or culture; of Latin & Greek antiquity; in the ~ style, simple, harmonious, proportioned, & finished (cf. ROMANTIC); having literary associations (~ground); || ~races, Two & One Thousand Guineas, Derby, Oaks, St Leger. 2. n. Writer or artist of admitted excellence; ancient Greek or Latin writer; Latin and Greek scholar; follower of ~ models (cf. ROMANTIC); (pl.) classical studies. [f. L *classicus* (prec., -IC) of the first class]

cláss'icál, a. Standard, first-class, esp. in literature; of ancient Greek or Latin standard authors or art; learned in these; based on these (~education); in, following, the restrained style of ~ antiquity (as prec., cf. ROMANTIC). Hence ~ISM(3), ~ITY (-áht), nn., ~LY² adv. [as prec. +AL]

cláss'icisim, -ist, nn. Following, follower, of classic style; classical scholar(ship); advocacy, advocate, of classical education; (-ism) a Latin or Greek idiom. [-ISM(3, 4), -IST(2, 3)]

cláss'icize, v.t. & i. Make classic; imitate the classical style. [-IZE(2, 3)]

clássico, comb. form of L *classicus* w. senses of CLASSIC. Hence **clássicóla'try** n.

cláss'ifý, v.t. Arrange in classes; assign to a class. So ~IABLE, ~ICATORY, aa., ~ICATION, ~IM¹, nn. [f. L *classis* +FY]

clás'sý (-ah-), a. (sl.). Superior. [-Y²]

clás'tic, a. (geol.). Composed of broken pieces of older rocks; ~rocks, conglomerates etc. [f. Gk *klastos* (*klaō* break)]

clátt'er, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) dry confused sound as of many plates struck together; (resound with) noisy talk; ~along, down, etc., move, fall, with a ~; (v.t.) cause (plates etc.) to ~. [OE *clatrian* of Du. *klateren*]

clause (-z), n. Short sentence; (Gram.) subordinate words including subject & predicate but syntactically equivalent to noun, adj., or adv.; single proviso in treaty, law, or contract. [OF, f. LL *clausa* = L *clausula* conclusion (*claudere* close-shut, -UZE)]

claus'tral, a. Of the cloister, monastic, narrow. [f. LL *claustralis* (CLOISTER, -AL)]

claustrophōb'ia, n. Morbid dread of closed places. [f. L *claustrum* (see CLOISTER) + -PHOBIA]

clāv'āte, a. (bot.). Club-shaped. [f. L *clava* club + -ATE¹]

clāv'ichōrd (-k-), n. Predecessor of piano, first string-instrument with key-board. [f. 15th-c. L *clavicordium* (L *clavis* key, CHORD¹)]

clāv'icle, n. Collar-bone. So **clavic'ūlar**¹ a. [f. L *clavicula* dim. of *clavis* key]

clāv'ifōrm, a. Club-shaped. [L *clava*, -FORM]

claw¹, n. Pointed horny nail of beast's or bird's foot (*pare, cut, the ~s of*, disarm); foot so armed, pincers of shellfish; (contempt.) hand; contrivance for grappling, holding, etc. (~hammer, with bent split end for extracting nails; ~hammer coat, dress coat). Hence (-)clawed² (-awd) a. [OE *clawu* f. obl. cases of *clēa* cf. *clēe* still dial.; cf. Du. *klaauw*, G *klauw*]

claw², v.t. & i. Scratch, tear, seize or pull towards one, with claws or hands (~ me & I'll ~ thee, of mutual flattery f. obs. sense, still So., *scratch gently*); (Naut.) beat to windward, esp. ~ off, away from shore. [f. prec.]

clay, n. Stiff tenacious earth, material of bricks, pottery, etc.; (material of) human body (*wet, moisten, one's ~, drink*); (also ~ pipe) tobacco-pipe made of ~ (*yard of ~, long one*); ~cold, cold as ~ (usu. of the dead). Hence (with -c- to separate *yy*, & comp. *more, most*) ~ey² a. [OE *clæg*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. & G *klet*, f. *kli-* stick cf. Gk *glōios*, L *gluten*]

clay'mōre, n. Ancient Scottish two-edged broadsword; (incorrectly) basket-hilted often single-edged broadsword introduced in 16th c. [f. Gael. *claidheamh mór* great sword]

clean¹, a. 1. Free from dirt, unsoiled, clear, (land of weeds, ship of barnacles, paper of writing, printing-proof of corrections; ~ BILL¹; ~ hands, ~handed, ~handedness, innocence, innocent; ~fingered, unbribed; ~ slate, fig., freedom from all commitments; ~ tongue, abstinence from foul talk; ~ BREAST¹; *show ~ pair of heels*, escape by speed; ~bred, thoroughbred); (Bibl.) free of ceremonial defilement or of disease; (of beasts etc.) fit for food (esp. ~ fish, not at or soon after spawning). 2. Hostile to dirt (~ servant), cleanly. 3. Well-formed, shapely, (joints, figure, so ~limbed; ~ ship, with tapering lines). 4. Smart, adroit, not bungling, (~ fielding). 5. Even, unobstructed, clear-cut, complete, (~ sweep, complete rid-dance; ~ timber, without knots). 6. Free from impropriety, esp. *keep it ~* (colloq.). Hence ~ness n. [OE *clæne*; com.-Teut. cf. G *klein* small]

clean², adv. Completely, right, outright, altogether, simply, absolutely, (~ gone, ~houted, *cut ~ through*, ~ mad, ~ wrong);

~cut, sharply outlined. [OE *clene* adv. f. prec.]

clean², v.t., & n. 1. Make clean (of dirt etc.); empty (one's plate); make oneself, make oneself, become, clean (also ~ up); ~ up, put things tidy, put (things) tidy, clear (mess) away, (colloq.) acquire as gain or profit; ~ out, empty, strip, (esp. sl., person of his money); ~ down, ~ by brushing or wiping; hence ~AILE¹ a., (-)~ER¹ (1, 2), n. 2. n. ~ing (*give it a ~*). [f. CLEAN¹]

clean'ly¹, adv. In clean way. [OE *clænlic* (CLEAN¹ + -LY²)]

clean'ly² (-ēn-), a. Habitually clean, attentive to cleanness. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n., (-ēn-). [OE *clænlic* (CLEAN¹ + -LY²)]

cleanse (-ēnz), v.t. Make clean (now formal or arch. for *clean* in lit. sense); purify (of sin etc., or with sin etc. as obj.); (Bibl.) cure (leper etc.). [OE *clænsian* (*clæne* CLEAN¹)]

clear¹, a. & adv. 1. Unclouded, transparent, not turbid, lustrous, unspotted, (so ~starch v.t., = starch well; ~ conscience, feeling that one is innocent); distinct, unambiguous, intelligible, not confused, manifest, (in ~, not in cipher or code); discerning, penetrating, (so ~sighted, ~sightedness, usu. fig.); confident, decided, certain, (on point, of fact, that); easily audible; without deduction, net; rid of; complete (*three ~ days*); open, unobstructed, (coast is ~, no one about to see or interfere); unengaged, free, unencumbered by debt. 2. adv. Clearly (*speak loud & ~*; ~cut, well defined; *show, shine, ~*); quite (~ away, off, out, through; *three feet ~*); apart, without contact, (stand, hang, steer, get, ~). [ME & OF *cler* (now *clair*) f. L *clarus*]

clear², v.t. & i. 1. Make, become, clear (of; ~ the air, lit. of sultriness, fig. of suspicion, constraint, sulks, etc.; ~ one's throat, by slight coughing); show or declare innocent (of); free from or of obstruction (~ the decks for action, make ready to fight; ~ land, cut down trees etc. before cultivating); remove (obstruction, esp. ~ out of the way); melt away (also sl. of persons, go away); empty, become empty; pass over or by without touching (esp. in jumping, ~ 6 ft, 22 ft, a gate); (Naut.) free (ship) by paying all dues, (intr. of ship) sail; defray (prospective charges) by single payment; make (sum) as net gain; ~ away, remove, remove meal from table, (of mist etc.) disappear; ~ off, get rid of, melt away, (of intruders) go away; ~ out, empty, make off; ~ up, solve (mystery), make tidy, (of weather etc.) grow clear. [f. prec.]

clear'ance, n. Making clear; removal of obstructions; passing of cheques through Clearing-House; (certificate of) clearing of ship at Custom-House; permit to leave

government employ; (Mech.) space allowed for the passing of two parts; || ~ *sale* (held to effect ~ of superfluous stock). [prec. + ANCE]

clear'côle, n. & v.t. (Paint with) size and whitening or white-lead as first coat in house-painting. [f. F *claire colle* clear glue]

clear'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.; piece of land in primeval forest cleared for cultivation; C~ *Hospital*, field hospital for temporary reception and treatment of sick and wounded; C~-*House*, banker's institution in London at which cheques & bills are exchanged, the balances only being paid in cash. [CLEAR², -ING¹]

clear'ly, adv. Distinctly to, with, senses or mind; manifestly; undoubtedly, (in answers) yes, no doubt. [CLEAR¹, -LY¹]

clear'ness, n. Transparency; distinctness to, of, senses or mind; freedom from obstruction. [CLEAR¹, -NESS]

cleat, n. Wedge; projecting piece bolted on spar, gangway, etc., to give footing or prevent rope from slipping; piece of wood or iron bolted on for fastening ropes to. [cf. Du. *kloot* ball; cogn. w. CLOT]

cleav'age, n. Way in which thing (mineral, party, opinion, State) tends to split (esp. *lines, planes, of* ~). [foll. + -AGE]

cleave¹, v.t. & i. (*clove* or *cleft*; *cloven* or *cleft*). Split (often *asunder, in two*); chop, break, or come, apart, esp. along the grain or line of cleavage (*cleft palate*, malformation in mouth; *in a cleft stick*, in tight place allowing neither retreat nor advance; *cloven hoof*, of ruminant quadrupeds, of god Pan, & so of devil, whence *show the cloven hoof*, reveal an evil nature); make way through (water, air); hold (ground, persons) apart (of chasm lit. & fig.). Hence **cleav'ABLE** a. [OE *cliofan*, com.-Teut. cf. G *kleben*, also Gk *pluph. carve*]

cleave², v.i. (~*d* or *clave*; ~*d*). Stick fast, adhere, *to* (arch. exc. in fig. sense of *be faithful*). [OE *clifan* & *clifian*, com.-Teut., cf. G *kleben* f. *kli-stick*]

cleav'er, n. In vbl. senses; esp. butcher's chopping-tool for carcasses. [CLEAVE¹ + -ER¹]

cleav'ers (-z), **cliv'**, n. (used as sing. or pl.). Goose-grass, creeper sticking to clothes. [earlier -*er*; perh. f. CLEAVE¹ + -ER¹]

cleek, n. Iron-headed golf-club. [Sc., cogn. w. ME *cleche* to clutch]

cléf, n. One of the three symbols (C, *tenor*, or *alto*; G or *treble*; F or *bass*) indicating pitch of stave in music. [F, f. L *clavis* key]

cléft¹, n. Fissure, split. [earlier *clift*, *clift*, cf. Du. & G *Kluft*, cogn. w. CLEAVE¹]

cléft², see CLEAVE¹.

|| **clég**, n. Large grey fly, horse-fly. [f. ON *klegg*]

cleistogám'ic (kli-), a. (bot.). Permanently closed & self-fertilizing (of certain flowers). [Gk *kleistos* closed (*kleiō*) + -*gamos* -married]

clēm, v.t. & i. (northern; -mm-). Starve. [cf. Du. & G *klemmen* pinch, & CLAM¹]

clēm'atis, n. Kinds of climbing shrub (British wild species, Traveller's Joy or Old Man's Beard). [L, f. Gk *klimatis*]

clēm'ency, n., **clēm'ent**, a. Mild(ness) of temper or weather; (showing) mercy. [f. L *clementia*, *clemens* -entis]

clénch, **clinch**, v.t. & i., & n. (choice between e & i as indicated). 1. Secure (nail, rivet) by driving point sideways when through (e, i); close (t. & i. of teeth or fingers) tightly (e); grasp firmly (e); (of boxers) come to quarters too close for full-arm blow (i); (Naut.) fasten (rope) with special bend (e, i); confirm, settle (argument, bargain) conclusively (i, e). 2. n. Any of above actions or the resulting state. [OE *clenc(e)an*, cf. OHG *klenkan*, cogn. w. CLING, w. causal sense]

clén'cher. See CLINCHER.

Cléopát'ra's nee'dle, n. Egyptian obelisk on Thames embankment.

clép'sýdra, n. Ancient time-measuring device worked by flow of water. [L, f. Gk *klepsudra* (*kleptō* steal, *hudrō* water)]

clere'stōry (-ōs-), n. Part of wall of cathedral or large church, with series of windows, above aisle roofs. [perh. f. CLEAR¹ + STOR(EY)]

clér'gy, n. The clerical order, all persons ordained for religious service (the ~ usu. has pl. vb; a ~, i.e. the ~ of a country or church, has usu. sing. vb); ~men (30 ~ were present); (Hist.) membership of, learning proper to, ~ (benefit of ~, exemption from trial by secular court, & later from sentence for first conviction, enjoyed by all who could read); ~man, ordained minister, esp. of Established Church; ~man's week, fortnight, holiday including 2, 3, Sundays; ~woman, wife, daughter, etc., of ~man, esp. if dominating parish. [f. OF *clergie* (clere f. LL *CLERICUS*, -Y⁴)]

clér'ic, a. (aroh.), & n. Clergyman; of clergy. Hence **clér'ico**-comb. form. [f. LL f. Gk *klērikos* (*klēros* lot, *Acts* i. 17, *Deut.* xviii. 2)]

clér'ical, a. & n. Of clergy, clergyman, or clergymen; of, made by, clerk(s) (~ error, in writing out; ~ duties, staff); (n.) member of ~ party in a parliament etc. Hence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~ITY (-āl'-) n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. LL *clericalis* (prec., -AL)]

clér'ihew, n. Short witty, comic, or nonsensical verse, usu. in four lines of varying length. [E. *Clerihew* Bentley]

clerk (|| *klārk*, **klérk*), n. (Also ~ in *holy orders*) clergyman (aroh., legal & sometimes appended to signature to show status of writer); lay officer of parish church with various duties; (no) *great* ~,

(no) scholar (arch.); officer in charge of records etc., secretary, man of business, of town (*Town C~*), corporation, etc. (usu. a lawyer); person employed in bank, office, shop, etc., to make entries, copy letters, keep accounts, etc.; *shop-assistant; *C~ of the Weather*, personification of meteorology; *~ of the works*, overseer of materials etc. in buildings done by contract. Hence *~DOM*, *~ESS*¹, *~SHIP* (1, 3), nn., *~LY*¹ a. [OE *cleric*, *clerc*, as *CLERIC*¹]

clév'er, a. Adroit, dexterous, neat in movement (*~ horse*, good fencer); skillful, talented; ingenious (of doer or thing done). Hence *~ISH* (2) a., *~LY*² adv., *~NESS* n. [etym. dub.; *cliver* occurs 1220 = quick at seizing; cf. EFrisk. *cluser*, & ME *clivers* claws]

clév'is, n. U-shaped iron at end of beam for attaching tackle. [perh. cogn. w. *CLEAVE*¹]

clew (-ōb), n., & v.t. 1. Ball of thread or yarn; this as used in mythol. story to guide through labyrinth; = *CLUE*. 2. (Naut.) small cords suspending hammock; lower or aft corner of sail by which it is extended. 3. v.t. *~ up*, draw lower ends of (sails) to upper yard or mast ready for furling. [OE *cliecen* n. prob. dim. of OHG *klīu*; *CLUE* is a var. spelling merely, but the two are now usu. differentiated]

clické (klēsh'ā), n. Metal cast esp. stereo or electro duplicate; hackneyed literary phrase. [F]

click¹, n., & v.i. (Make) slight sharp sound as of cocking gun; catch in machinery acting with this sound; (of horse) touch shoes of fore & hind feet (n., this fault); (S.-Afr. langg.) (make) sharp non-vocal sucking sound as articulation. So *~ER*¹ n., foreman shoemaker who cuts out the leather and gives out work, || (Printing) foreman of a companionship of compositors who distributes the copy etc. [imit., cf. Du. *klikken*, F *cliquer*]

click², v.i. (sl.). Have luck, secure one's object; (of two persons) get along well together, fall in love with each other. [perh. f. dial. vb = snatch, as *CLEEK*]

clí'ent, n. (Rom. Ant.) plebeian under protection of noble; (arch.) dependant, hanger-on; employer of lawyer; employer of any professional man, customer. Hence *~AGE*, *~SHIP*, nn., *~LESS* a. [f. L *clēns -entis* (*cluere* hear, obey, -ENT)]

clí'entèle, n. 1. Person's dependants, following. 2. Customers, supporters, (of physician, shop, theatre, etc.). [f. L *clientela* as prec. in sense 1, but dropped & later readopted f. F in sense 2, & often pronounced & written (-tèle) as F]

clí'nt, n. Steep rock-face, usu. overhanging sea; *~s'man*, skilled climber. [OE, cf. Du., *clif*]

climac'teric (or -t'ic), a. & n. 1. Constituting a crisis, critical; (Physiol. &

Med.) occurring at period of life (45-60) at which vital force begins to decline. 2. n. Critical period in life (multiples of 7, odd multiples of 7, etc.; *grand ~*, 63rd year). [f. L f. Gk *klīmāktērīkos* f. *klīmaktēr* rung of ladder (*klīma*), -IO]

clim'ate, n. (Region with certain conditions of temperature, dryness, wind, light, etc. Hence *climāt'ic* a., *clīmāt'rally* adv., *clīmatōl'ogy* n., *clīm'atol'ogical* a. [f. F *climat* f. LL f. Gk *klīma -at-* (*klīnō* slope, -M)]

clim'ax, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Ascending scale; series of ideas or expressions so arranged; last term in them; culmination, apex; hence (irreg.) *clīmāc'tic* a. 2. vb. Come, bring, to a ~. [L, f. Gk *klīma* -akos ladder, climax]

climb (-im), v.t. & i. (past *~ed* & arch. *clomb* pr. -ōm), & n. 1. Ascend, mount, go up, (t. & i.) esp. with help of hands; *~ down* (t. & i.), descend (cliff etc., or abs.) similarly, (intr.) retreat from position taken up, give in; (of sun, aeroplane, etc.) go slowly up; (of plants) get support by tendrils or twining from tree, trellis, etc.; slope upwards; rise by effort in social rank, intellectual or moral strength, etc.; *~ing-iron*, spikes attachable to boot for *~ing* trees or ice slopes; hence *clī'mb-able* (-ma-) a. 2. n. Piece of *~ing* (*~down*, abandonment of declared intention), place (to be) *~cd*. [cf. G *klimmen*; prob. cogn. w. *CLEAVE*²]

clī'mber (-imer), n. In vbl senses; esp.: climbing plant; kinds of bird, usu. with two forward & two backward toes; person climbing socially. [-ER¹]

clīme, n. (poet.). Tract, country, (with or without ref. to climate). [f. LL as *CLIMATE*]

clīnch. See *CLENCH*.

clīn'cher, **clēn'cher**, n. In vbl senses; esp., remark, argument, that triumphantly settles a question; *clīncher-built* = *CLINKER-BUILT*. [prec. + -ER¹]

clīng, v.i. (*clung*). *~ together*, remain in one body or in contact, resist separation; stick, adhere to, (whether by stickiness, suction, grasping, or embracing; *~ing garments*, showing form of body or limbs); remain faithful to (friend, habit, idea); *~ stone*, kind of peach or nectarine in which flesh adheres to stone. [OE *clingan* cf. EFrisk. *klīngen* shrink, Sw. *klänge* climb, tendril]

clīn'ic, n. Teaching of medicine or surgery at the hospital bed-side; class, institution, so taught, conducted. [f. F *clinique* f. Gk *klīnikē* (*tekhnē*) CLINICAL (art.)]

clīn'ical, a. (med.). Of, at, the sick-bed (esp. of lectures, teaching, so given; *~ thermometer*, for taking patient's temperature). Hence *~LY*² adv. [f. L f. Gk *klīnikos* (*klīnē* bed) + -AL]

clīnk¹, n., & v.i. & t. (Make, cause *glances* etc. to make) sharp ringing sound; || *~ing*

(sl. as a. & adv.), exceedingly (good, fine), as a ~ing, or ~ing good, race; ~stone, kinds of felspar (f. ringing like iron when struck). Hence || ~er¹ [-ER¹] n. (sl.), ~ing specimen. [imit.; cf. Du. *klinken*] **clink²**, n. (sl.). Prison, lock-up, (esp. in ~). [name of a Southwark prison; prob. = CLINCH]

clink'er², n. Very hard yellow Dutch brick; brick with surface vitrified by great heat; mass of bricks fused together or of slag or lava. [f. Du. *klinkaerd* (now *klinker*) f. *klinken* (CLINK¹)]

clink'er-built, a. (Of boats) made with external planks overlapping downwards & fastened with clinched copper nails. [f. obs. *clink* vb = CLINCH]

clinöm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring slopes. [f. Gk *klinō* to slope, -ō-, -METER]

Clī'ō, n. (The Muse of) history. [f. Gk *Kleio* (*kleiō*) celebrate]

clip¹, v.t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Surround closely, grip tightly. 2. n. Appliance for holding things together or for attachment to object as mark; brooch; set of attached cartridges for magazine rifle. [OE *clippan* embrace cf. ON *klippa* pinch]

clip², v.t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Cut with shears or scissors, trim thus, take away part of (hair, wool) thus, remove hair or wool of (sheep, person) thus, (~ one's wings, disable him from pursuing his ambition); pare edge of (coin); omit letters or syllables of (words); omit (letter etc.; ~ his gæ). 2. n. Operation of shearing or hair-cutting; quantity of wool clipped from sheep, flock, etc.; smart blow with the hand, cut with the whip, etc. [prob. f. ON *clippa*]

clipp'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: instrument for clipping hair; swift mover (esp. of horse or ship); ship with forward-raking bows & aft-raking masts; transoceanic flying-boat P; (sl.) thing excellent of its kind. [CLIP², -ER¹]

clipp'ing¹, n. In vbl senses; esp., piece clipped off. [CLIP², -ING¹]

clipp'ing², a. In vbl senses; esp., (sl.) first-rate. [CLIP², -ING²]

clique (-ëk), n. Small exclusive party, set, coterie. Hence **cli'quish¹** (-ëk-), **cli'qu(e)r¹** (-ëk), aa., **cli'quishness**, **cli'quism**(2), (-ëk-), nn. [F, f. *cliquer* CLICK¹ cf. *CLIQUE*]

clit'oris, n. Rudimentary internal part of female genitals analogous to penis. [Gk *kleitoris*]

clivers. See CLEAVERS.

clod'ca, n. (pl. -ae). Sewer; excrementary cavity in birds, reptiles, etc.; gathering-place of moral evil. Hence **clod'cal** a. [L]

cloak, (arch.) **clôke**, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Loose usu. sleeveless outdoor upper garment; covering (~ of snow); pretence, pretext, (under the ~ of); ~room, for leaving ~s, hats, etc., or any luggage.

2. vb. Put on one's ~; put ~ on (oneself or another); conceal, disguise. [f. ONF *clôke* f. med. L *clōca* horseman's cape named from its bell shape (CLOCK¹)]

cloche (klôsh), n. ~ (hat), woman's bell-shaped hat. [F, = bell]

clôck¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Time-measuring instrument periodically wound up, kept in motion by springs or weights acting on wheels, & recording hours, minutes, etc., by hands on a dial (o'clock now usu. only appended to the actual hour, as *six o'clock*, but *quarter to six*, *six fifteen*, 7.25; *what o'clock is it?*, what is the time; of the clock still in formal or facetious use); (sl.) stop-watch; downy head of dandelion etc.; ~wise, counter-~wise, moving in curve from left to right, right to left, as seen by spectator at centre; ~work, mechanism on ~ principle (like ~work, regularly, automatically), (attrib.) regular, mechanical. 2. v.i. (Of factory hands etc.) ~ in, on, out, off, register one's entry or exit by means of an automatic ~; (v.t.; sl.) time (race) with stop-watch. [f. MDu. *clocke* (cf. G *glocke* bell), or ONF *cloke* f. LL *clōca* cf. *clōak*; orig. meaning bell, prob. in imit. of the sound]

clôck², n. (shop pl., formerly, *clōz*). Pattern worked in silk etc. on side of stocking. Hence (-)~KD² (-kt) a. [?]

clôck'ing, a. ~ hen, one sitting on eggs. [part. of dial. vb *clock* = CLUCK]

clôd, n., & v.t. (-dd-). Lump of earth etc.; lump of earth (vb, pelt with ~s); the ~, soil, land, mere matter; (also ~hopper, ~pole) bumpkin, lout, (so ~hopping, loutish), whence ~d'ish¹ a., ~d'ishness n.; coarse part of neck of ox as meat. [var. of *clot* now differentiated]

clôg¹, n. Block of wood fastened to leg to impede motion; impediment, encumbrance; woman's wooden-soled overshoe for wet ground; wooden-soled shoe with metal rim; ~dance, performed in ~s. [?]

clôg², v.t. & i. (-gg-). Confine (animal) with clog; be an encumbrance to, burden; impede, hamper; choke up, obstruct by stickiness; fill up with choking matter; stop or act badly from being choked up. [f. prec., & cf. dial. vb *clag* stick]

clôgg'y (-g-), a. Lumpy, knotty; sticky. [-Y²]

cloisonné (klwzhônâ'), a. & n. ~ enamel or ~, enamel in which colours of pattern are kept apart by thin outline plates. [F]

clois'ter, n., & v.t. (Enclose, shut up, in) convent, monastic house, (the~, monastic seclusion); covered walk, often round quadrangle with wall on outer & colonnade or windows on inner side, esp. of convent, college, cathedral buildings, whence ~ed² (-erd) a. Hence **clois'tral** a. [ME & OF *cloistre* f. L *claustrum* (claudere shut, -trum instr. suf.)]

clōke. See CLOAK.

clōn'us, n. (path.). Spasm with violent successive muscular contractions & relaxations. Hence **clōn'io** a. [f. Gk *klonos*]

clōp, n., & v.i. (Mako) sound (as) of cork being drawn. [imit.]

clōse¹, a. & adv. 1. Shut; (of vowels) pronounced with lips or mouth cavity contracted (e.g. *o* in *not* is open, in *note* ~); narrow, confined, contracted, stifling, (~ *siege*, *prisoner*, *air*); covered, concealed, secret, given to secrecy, (*keep*, *lie*, ~, be in hiding; ~ *stool*, chamber-pot mounted in stool with cover); niggardly (so ~ *list'ed*² a., ~ *list'edness* n.); restricted, limited, (~ *corporation* etc.; || ~ *scholarship*, not open to all; ~ *borough*); under prohibition (|| ~ *season*, *time*, in which something is forbidden, esp. killing of game etc.). 2. Near; dense, compact, with no or slight intervals, (~ *texture*, *thicket*, *writing*; ~ *order*, *combat*; ~ *quarters*, immediate contact; ~ *reasoner*, *argument*, *analysis*, leaving no gaps or weak spots, coherent; also adv., as *shut* ~, ~ *ranked*; ~ *grained*, without visible interstices; *stand*, *sit*, ~); in or nearly in contact (~ *proximity*; a ~ *shave*, near the skin, also fig., narrow missing of collision etc.; ~ *hauled*, with sail-tacks hauled ~ to side to windward; *SAIL* ~ to the wind; esp. in adv. or prep. phrr. ~ *by*, ~ *to*, ~ *upon*, as *he was* ~ *by*, ~ *to the road*, ~ *upon two hundred*); fitting exactly (~ *cap*, ~ *resemblance*); near & dear; nearly equal (~ *contest*); concentrated (~ *examination*, *attention*); ~ *call* (colloq.), a near thing, something almost fatal; ~ *up* n., part of cinema film taken at short range and showing person(s) etc. on large scale. Hence ~ *ly*³ (-*sl*-) adv., ~ *ness* (-*sn*-) n. [f. F *clōs* f. L *claudere* *claus*-shut]

clōse², n. Enclosed place (*break* one's ~, legal, trespass on his land); precinct of cathedral; school playground; (Sc.) entry from street to court at back. [f. F *clōs* f. L *clausum* neut. p.p. as prec.]

clōse³ (-*z*), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Shut (t. & i. of lid or box, door or room or house; lit., or = declare or be declared not open, of place of business etc.; *closing-time*, at which shops etc. stop business; ~ *upon*, of hand, box, etc., grasp or imprison, also of eyes, lose sight of by shutting); ~ *shop*, a trade etc. restricted to members of a (particular) trade union. 2. Be the boundary of, conclude, bring or come to an end, complete, settle, (~ *one's days*, die; ~ *bargain*; abs. stop speaking, often with the remark etc.). 3. Bring or come into contact (~ *the ranks* or, intr., ~ *up*; ~ *electric current* or *circuit*, give it continuity), come within striking distance, grapple with, (Naut., as v.t.) approach or come alongside of (other

ship etc.); (Mil., as v.i., to men in rank) *right* ~, *left* ~, move sideways to right, left. 4. Express (often eager) agreement with (offer, terms, or person offering them). 5. ~ *in*, enclose, come nearer, (of days) get successively shorter; ~ *up*, block, fill, coalesce. 6. n. Conclusion, end; grappling of combatants; (Mus.) cadence. [f. OF *clōs*-st. of *clōre* f. L *claudere* shut] **clōs'et** (-*z*-), n., & v.t. Private or small room, esp. for private interviews (so (vb, be ~ *ed* with, together, hold consultation) or for study (~ *play*, to be read not acted; ~ *strategist* etc., theoretical); cupboard, as *china* ~; = *WATER* ~. [OF (*clōst*², -*et*³)]

clō'sure (-*zh*er), n., & v.t. 1. Closing, closed condition. 2. (Parl.) decision by vote of House of Commons, under certain restrictions, to put the question without further debate; (v.t.) apply ~ to (motion, speakers, etc.). [OF, f. L *clausura* (*claudere* *claus*-, -*ure*)]

clōt, n., & v.i. & t. (-*tt*-). 1. Mass of material stuck together; semi-solid lump of coagulated liquid, esp. of blood (~ *of blood*, pop. name for THROMBOSIS). 2. vb. Form (t. & i.) into ~s (~ *ted hair*, stuck together in locks; ~ *ted cream*, got by scalding milk; ~ *ted nonsense*, utter absurdity). [cf. G *klots* & CLEAT, CLOU]

cloth (-*awth*, -*ōth*, pl. -*awdhs*, -*ōths*), n. (pl. ~s, & in differentiated sense CLOTHES). (Piece, used for any purpose, of) woven or felted stuff; (also *table*-~) covering for table, esp. of linen at meals (*lay the* ~, prepare table for meal); woollen woven fabric as used for clothes; each of the breadths of canvas in a sail; duster; ~ *of gold*, silver, tissue of gold or silver threads interwoven with silk or wool; || *American* ~, enamelled ~ like leather; *cut coat according to* ~, adapt expenditure to resources; profession as shown by clothes, esp. clerical (*respect due to his* ~; also *the* ~, clergy); ~ *binding*, cover of book in linen or cotton ~; (Hist.) ~ *yard shaft*, arrow a yard long. [OE *clath* (earliest sense a ~) cf. G *kleid*, prob. f. *cli*-stick cf. CLAY]

clōthe (-*dh*), v.t. (~ *d* or, arch. & literary, *clad*). Provide with clothes, put clothes upon; cover like or as with clothes or a cloth (*leaves* ~ *trees*; ~ *d* with *righteousness*, with *plantations*; *body* ~ *s* *soul*; also ~ *face in smiles*, *ideas in words*). Hence **clōth'ing**⁴ (-*dh*-) n. [OE *clathian*, whence *clothe*, & *clathian*, whence *clad*, f. *clath* CLOTH; cf. G *kleiden*]

clothes (-*ōz*, -*ōdhs*), n. pl. Wearing-apparel; **WED**¹ ~; linen etc. to be washed (~ *bag*, -*basket*, for conveying this; ~ *horse*, for airing it on; ~ *line*, -*post*, || *prop*, || *peg*, rope, supports of rope, wooden clip on rope, for drying it after washing); ~ *brush*; ~ *moth*, destructive to ~; ~ *press*, cupboard with shelves for

~; (old-)~*man*, dealer in usu. old ~. [the orig. pl. of *CLOTH*, *cloths* being modern]

clōth'ier (-dh-), n. (Formerly) maker of cloth; dealer in cloth or clothes. [orig. *clōther*, see -*ER*']

clou (klōb), n. Point of greatest interest, chief attraction, central idea. [F. = nail, peg]

cloud, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Mass of) visible condensed watery vapour (see *CIRRUS*, *CUMULUS*, *NIMBUS*, *STRATUS*) floating high above general level of ground (~*drift*, ~ in motion; ~*rack*, pile of broken ~s; ~*burst*, violent rainstorm; ~*capped*, of hill with top hidden by ~; ~*scape*, picture, picturesque grouping, of ~s; ~*kissing*, of high hill or building); unsubstantial or fleeting thing; mass of smoke or dust (~*compeller*, smoker, facet. use of Greek epithet of Zeus); local dimness or vague patch of colour in or on liquid or transparent body; great number of birds, insects, horsemen, arrows, moving together; light woollen scarf; obscurity (under ~ of night; a ~ of words); in the ~s, mystical, unreal, imaginary, (so ~*castle*, daydream; ~*land*, ~*world*, utopia, fairyland), (of person) abstracted, inattentive; state of gloom, trouble, suspicion, lowering or depressed look, (~ on brow; under a ~, out of favour, discredited); ~*berry*, mountain shrub with white flower & orange-coloured fruit; C~*cuckoo-town*, ideal realm [transl. of GK *Nephelokok-kugia* (nephelē cloud + kokkuz cuckoo) in Aristophanes' *Birds*]; hence ~*LESS* a., ~*lessly* adv., ~*lessness*, ~*let*, nn., ~*y* a., ~*ly* adv., ~*iness* n., ~*ward*(s) adv. 2. vb. Overspread, darken, with ~s, gloom, or trouble; variegate with vague patches of colour; become overcast or gloomy (~ *up*, over). [prob. f. OE *clūd*, meaning, & cogn. w., *CLOD*]

clough (klūf), n. Ravine, steep valley usu. with torrent bed. [cf. G *Klinge*]

clout, n., & v.t. (arch. & dial.). Patch (n. & v.); a cloth (esp. *dish*~); piece of clothing; rap, knock, (n. & v., esp. on head with knuckles); iron plate on boot etc. to save wear, (also ~*nail*) broad-headed nail for attaching ~; (Hist.) canvas on frame as mark at archery (in the ~, a hit!) [OE *clūt* cogn. w. *CLOT*]

clōve¹, **clōven**. See *CLEAVE*¹.

clōve², n. One of small bulbs making up compound bulb of garlic, shallot, etc. (usu. of). [OE *clufu* cogn. w. *CLEAVE*¹]

clōve³, n. (Pungent aromatic dried bud of) tropical tree (oil of ~s, extracted from ~s & used in medicine); (also ~*gilly-flower*) ~scented Pink, original of carnation & other double pinks. [ME *clou(e)* f. F *clou* (de girofle); girofle (see *GILLYFLOWER*) was orig. name of the spice; *clou* (f. L *clavus* nail) de girofle was used of it w. ref. to its shape, transferred to

the similarly shaped bud of Pink, & later divided into *clove* for the spice, & *gilly-flower* for the Pink]

clōve hitch, n. Hitch by which rope is secured at any intermediate part round spar or rope that it crosses at right angles. [old p.p. of *CLEAVE*¹, as showing parallel separate lines]

clōv'er, n. Kinds of trefoil used for fodder (be, live, in ~, in ease & luxury). [OE *clafre* cf. Du. *klaver*, G *klee*]

clown, n., & v.i. 1. Rustic; ignorant or ill-bred man, whence ~*ish* a., ~*ishly* adv., ~*ishness* n.; jester, esp. in pantomime or circus, whence ~*ery*(4) n. 2. v.i. Play the ~. [prob. cogn. w. *CLOT*, & = lump; cf. Icel. *clunni*]

clōx. See *CLOCK*².

cloy, v.t. Satisfy, weary, by richness, sweetness, sameness, excess, of food or pleasure (usu. with). [f. obs. *accloy* choke (put nail into) f. OF *encloyer* (AC-) f. LL *in*(*clavere* f. L *clavus* nail)]

clūb¹, a. 1. Stick with one thick end as weapon (*Indian* ~s, pair swung to develop muscles; ~*law*, rule by physical force); kinds of stick used in games, esp. golf; structure or organ in Bot. etc. with knob at end; ~*foot*(ed), (with) congenitally distorted foot; ~*moss*, kind with upright spikes of spore-cases; ~*root*, disease of turnips etc.; playing-card of suit bearing black trefoil (~s, the suit). 2. Association of persons united by some common interest, meeting periodically for co-operation (*Alpine, golf, yacht, benefit*, ~) or conviviality; body of persons with cooptation by ballot combined for social purposes & having premises (~*house*) for resort, meals, temporary residence, etc. (|| ~*land*, St. James's in London, where ~s cluster), whence ~*dom* n., ~*less* a. [ME *clubbe* perh. f. ON *clubba* by assim. f. *clumba* = CLUMP; sense 2 prob. = knot of persons]

clūb², v.t. & i. (-bb-). Beat with club; use butt of (gun) as club; bring, come, into a mass; contribute (money, ideas) to common stock; (v.i.) combine together, with, for joint action, making up a sum, etc.; (Mil.) get (one's men) into a confused mass. [f. prec.]

clūbb'able, a. Fit for membership of a club. [CLUB¹, -ABLE]

clūb'haul, v.t. Tack (*ship*, or abs.) by anchoring & cutting cable, as device for getting off lee-shore when there is not room to wear. [f.]

clūck, n., & v.i. (Make) guttural cry of hen. Hence ~*y* a., = CLOCKING. [cf. obs. & dial. *clock* (OE *cloccian*); imit.]

clue (-ōb), n. Fact or principle that serves as guide, or suggests a line of inquiry, in any problem, investigation, or study; thread of story, train of thought; (also rarely in other senses of *CLEW*. Hence ~*less* (-ōb) a. [= *CLEW*]

clūm'ber, *n.* Kind of spaniel. [*C*~ in Notts.]

clūmp, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Cluster of trees or shrubs (*usu. of*); (also ~-*sole*) extra thickness of leather added to sole, *usu.* nailed on. 2. *vb.* Tread heavily; heap or plant together; provide (book) with ~. [*cf.* *G klumpen, Du. klomp, ON clumba & clubba CLUB*]

clūm's [i] (*-z*), *a.* Awkward in movement or shape, ungainly; ill-contrived; without tact. Hence ~*ily*² *adv.*, ~*iness n.* [*f.* obs. *clumse* be stiff with cold; *cf.* Norw. *klumsa* paralyse, & *CLEM, CLAMMY*]

clūnch, *n.* Soft white limestone used for internal carving-work. [*perh.* var. of *CLUMP*, *cf.* *bump bunch, hump lurch*]

clūng. See *CLING*.

clūs'ter, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Group of similar things, esp. such as grow together, bunch; swarm, group, of persons, animals, etc. 2. *vb.* Bring or come into, be in, a ~ or ~s (~*ed columns, pillars, shafts*, several close together, or disposed round or half detached from pier). [*OE clyster* prob. cogn. w. *CLOT*]

clūtch¹, *v.t.* & *i.* Seize eagerly, grasp tightly; snatch *at*. [*OE clycecan i. OTent. (foll.)*]

clūtch², *n.* Tight grasp; (pl.) grasping hands, cruel grasp; a grasping *at*; (*Meoh.*) arrangement for throwing working parts into or out of action, gripping-piece of crane. [*ME cloke* claw *n.* *f.* *OTent. kluk-*]

clūtch³, *n.* Set of eggs; brood of chickens. [*earlier cletch f. clect* to hatch *f.* *ON clekja*]

clūt'ter, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* (Bustle, run, with) confused noise or movement, loss of self-possession; confused mass, untidy state, litter *n.* & (*esp.* in ~*ed up with*) *v.t.* [*var.* of obs. *clotter* (*CLOT*, -*ER*)]

Clydesdale (klīdz'dāl), *a.* & *n.* (*Of*) a breed of heavy draught-horses (orig. from *Clyde* district in Scotland).

clȳp'ēūs, *n.* Shield-like part of insect's head. Hence ~*al*, ~*ate*¹, ~*iform*, *aa.*, ~*o*-comb. form. [*L.* = shield]

clȳ's'ter, *n.*, & *v.t.*, (*med.*, now rare). = *EN-EMA*; (*vb.*) treat with ~. [*L.* *f.* *Gk kluster* syringe (*klusō* wash)]

|| *cmd.* = *OD*.

co-, *pref.* *L.* short form of *com-* (*cum* prep. with), used in *L.* only before vowels, *b*, *g*, *n*, & (in the correct classical form) *n*, but in *E* as living pref. before any letter. 1. Prefixed to *vb.*s, = with other subjects (*cooperate*) or objects (*co-adjust*); to *adj.*s. & *adv.*s, = jointly, together, mutually, (*coeternally, coadjacent*); & to nouns, = joint, mutual, (*coheir, coequality*). 2. In some math. words, short for complement, = 'of the complement', 'complement of *as cosine, co-declination*. In unfamiliar words, a hyphen or diaeresis is used to indicate pronunciation, and the three

methods (*cooperate, co-operate, coöperate*) are employed arbitrarily.

coācervā'tion, *n.* Heaping together, pile. [*f.* *L. co(aceratio f. acervare f. acervus* heap, see -*ATION*)]

coach, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. State carriage; (also *stage*~) large four-wheeled & *usu.* four-horsed close carriage with seats inside and on the roof carrying passengers at fixed rates & times with stoppages for meals & relays of horses; HACKNEY~; MOURNING~; SLOW~; (official name for) railway carriage; (*Naut.*) room near stern of man-of-war; private tutor; trainer of athletic team etc.; *drive ~ & six through Act of Parliament*, stultify it; ~*box*, driver's seat; ~*built*, (of motor-car bodies) built of wood by craftsmen; ~*dog*, = CARRIAGE dog; ~*house*, out-house for carriages; ~*man*, driver of any carriage, whence ~*manship* (*s.*); hence ~*'ful* (*2*) *n.* 2. *vb.* Travel in, go by, stage~ (*in the old ~ing days*); tutor, train, (pupil for examination, crew for race); give hints to, prime with facts; (*Intr.*) read with tutor. [*f.* *F coche f. Hung. kocsi* adj. *f. Kocs* place-name]

coād'jutor (-ōō; also -ōjōō), *n.* Assistant (*esp.* to bishop or other ecclesiastic). [*f.* *OF coadjuteur f. L co(adi)utor f. ADjuvare -jūt- help, -ōr*]

coād'ūnate, *a.* (physiol. & bot.). Congenitally united. [*f.* *L. co(adunatus p.p. of adunare* make one *f. unus* one)]

coāg'ūlate, *v.t.* & *i.* Change (*t.* & *i.*) from fluid to more or less solid state, clot, curdle, set, solidify. Hence *o* cogn., ~*'ATION*, ~*ator*²(2), ~*ANT*(2), *nn.* [*f.* obs. *coagulate* adj. *f.* *L. coagulare f. coagulum n.* *f.* *co(agere* bring) *us. coagere* collect; -*ATE*², ³]

coai'ta (kōi-), *n.* Small S.-Amer. monkey (Red-faced Spider-monkey). [*f.* *Braz. coatit*]

coal, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Hard opaque black or blackish mineral of carbonized vegetable matter found in seams or strata below earth's surface & used as fuel & in manufacture of gas, tar, etc. (~*s*, pieces of it ready for supplying fire; chief kinds, ANTHRACITE, BITUMINOUS, LIGNITE; *heap ~s of fire*, return good for evil, *cf. Rom. xii. 20*; *blow the ~s*, fan flame of passion etc.; *haul, call, over the ~s*, reprimand; ~*s to Newcastle*, superfluous action); ~*bed*, ~*seam*, stratum of ~; ~*black*, quite; ~*box*, ~*scuttle*, || (*vulg.*) ~*vase*, receptacle for ~ to supply room fire (~*scuttle* *bonnet*, with front projection as of inverted ~*box*); ~*BUNKER*; ~*dust*, small ~*s*; || ~*factor*, middleman between ~*owners* & customers; ~*field*, district with series of ~*strata*; ~*fish*, black cod; || ~*flap*, ~*plate*, cover of ~*cellar* opening in pavement; ~*gas*, mixed gases extracted from

~ & used for lighting & heating; ~ *heaver*, man employed in moving ~, whence ~'ie [-y²] n.; ~ *hole*, || small ~ cellar; ~ *master*, ~ *owner*, owner or lessee of ~ *mine* or ~ *pit* = *COLLIERY*; ~ *measures* (Geol.), series of rocks formed by seams of ~ & intervening strata; ~ *sack*, black patch in Milky Way (esp. one near Southern Cross); ~ *screen*, frame for parting large from small ~s; ~ *tar*, TAR extracted from bituminous ~, & yielding paraffin, naphtha, benzene, creosote, & aniline dyes; ~ *til*, = *COALMOUSE*; ~ *whipper*, man, machine, raising ~ from ship's hold; hence ~'LESS (-l-l-), ~'y², aa. 2. vb. Put ~ into (ship etc.); take in supply of ~. [OE *col*, cf. G *kohle*]

coalésice', v.i. Come together & form one (of material or immaterial things); combine in a coalition (of statesmen, parties). So ~'CENCE n., ~'CENT a. [f. L *coalescere* *alit-grow* f. *alere* nourish]

coalition, n. Union, fusion; || (Pol.) temporary combination for special ends between parties that retain distinctive principles. Hence ~'IST(1) (-sho-) n. [f. L *coalitio* (prec., -ION)]

coal'mouse, **côle**, n. Small dark-coloured bird (also *COAL-TIT*). [ME *colmose* f. OE *colmdæ* (*col* coal + *mdæ* f. WG *maisa* kinds of small bird)]

coam'ing, n. Raised border round hatches etc. of ship to keep out water. [!]

coarse (*kôrs*), a. Common, inferior, (~ *fish*, *fare*); rough, loose, or large, in texture, grain, or features; not delicate in perception, manner, or taste, unrefined; rude, uncivil, vulgar; obscene (of language); ~ *fibred*, ~ *grained*, lit. of things, also fig. of persons = without delicacy. Hence ~'LY² (-sl-) adv., ~'coars'EN² v.t. & i., ~'NESS (-sn-) n., ~'coars'ISH(2) a. [f. phr. *in or of course* = ordinary, cf. sense of *mean* (average, low) & *plain* (ordinary, ugly)]

coast¹, n. (Also *sea* ~) border of land near sea, sea-shore; *CLIFAR* ~; (U.S. & Canada) toboggan slide; (hence through *coast²*) downhill run on bicycle with feet up or still; ~ *guard* (*seman*), Admiralty ~ police (*man*); ~ *line*, the line of the sea-shore esp. with regard to its configuration (*the rugged ~line of the island*); || ~ *waiter*, custom-house officer who deals with goods carried ~wise. Hence ~'AL a., ~'WARD(s) adv., ~'WISE a. & adv. [ME & OF *coast* (now *côte*) f. L *costa* rib, side]

coast², v.i. Sail along coast, trade between ports on same coast; slide down hill on toboggan, bicycle down hill without pedalling. Hence ~'ER¹ n., ~'ing vessel, silver tray for decanter, rest for the foot on front fork of bicycle. [f. OF *coasteier* (now *côteier*) f. Rom. **costicare* as prec.] **coat**, n., & v.t. 1. Man's sleeved usu. cloth body garment (*dress* ~, with swallow

tails for the evening; ~ of MAIL; FROCK ~; *great* ~, *top* ~, out-door, worn over another; *red* ~, traditional uniform of British soldier; so *red* ~, soldier; ~ of arms, herald's tabard, gentleman's heraldic bearings or shield; ~ *armour*, blazonry, heraldic arms; ~ *card*, now usu. *court* ~, playing-card with coated figure, king, queen, or knave; *trail* one's ~-tails, for someone to tread on, = seek to pick quarrel; *dust* one's ~, boat him; *turn* one's ~, change sides, desert; *wear* the *king's* ~, serve as soldier; woman's stout buttoned overcoat, (also, esp. in ~ *d' skirt*) shorter tailor-made garment falling over skirt; *petticoat* (arch. & dial.; in literature esp. in *KILT* one's ~s). 2. Covering compared to garment; beast's hair, fur, etc.; (Physiol.) investing membrane etc. of organ; skin, rind, husk, layer of bulb etc.; covering of paint etc. laid on at once; hence (-) ~'ED², ~'LESS, aa. 3. v.t. Put or (with *paint* etc. as subj.) be ~ of paint, tin, etc., upon, (p.p.) covered over with dust etc. [f. OF *coate* (now *cotte* *petticoat*) f. med. L *colla* cf. OHG *chozza* (garment of shaggy woollen stuff)]

coatee', n. Short-tailed (esp. mil.) coat. [-EE]

coa'ti (-ah-), n. American carnivorous mammal like civet & racoon with long flexible snout. [Braz. (*cua* cincture, *tim* nose)]

coat'ing, n. Layer of paint etc.; material for coats. [-ING¹]

coax, v.t. & i. Persuade by blandishments (*to do, into doing* or good temper etc.; ~ thing out of person; ~ fire to light, key into lock, etc.); ~ away, out, etc., entice; practise wheedling. Hence ~'ER¹ n. [= fool vb f. obs. *coke* fool n. perh. cogn. w. *COCKNEY*]

côax'al, -al, a. (math.). Having common axis. [CO-, AXIS, -AL]

côb¹, n. Male swan; stout short-legged riding-horse, whence ~b'y² a.; (also ~ *nut*) large kind of hazel-nut; roundish lump of coal etc.; round-headed loaf; *COOK* ~. [!]

|| **côb²**, n. Composition of clay, gravel, & straw, used for building walls. [!]

côb'alt (-awit), n. Silvery-white metal similar in many respects to nickel; deep-blue pigment made from it. Hence *cobaltic*, ~'i'EROUS, *cobaltous* (chem.), aa., *cobalt'ite* comb. form., (-awit-). [G, prob. = *kobold* goblin of mines]

côb'ble¹, n., & v.t. (Also ~-stone) water-worn rounded stone of size used for paving (vb, pave with these); (pl.) coals of this size. [cf. *COB¹*]

côb'ble², v.t. Put together roughly; mend, patch up, (esp. shoes). (etym. dub.; foll. is quoted a century earlier)

côbb'ler, n. Mender of shoes; clumsy workman; (often *sherry* ~) laced drink of wine, sugar, lemon, sucked through straw

(origin unknown; from U.S.); ~'s waz, resinous substance used for waxing thread. [?]

Côb'denism, n. Policy based on Free Trade, international cooperation, & retrenchment, peace, non-intervention, and opposition to Empire. Hence ~**ism** (1) a. & n. [R. Cobden, d. 1865, -ism]

cô'ble, n. Kinds of fishing-boat in Scotland & N.E. England. [cf. W. *ceubal*, Bret. *caubal*]

côb'ra (dê capéll'ô), n. The venomous Hooded Snake of India, with neck dilated like hood under irritation. [Port.; *cobra* f. L. *columbra* snake, *capello* hood, = F. *chapeau*]

côb'wêb, n. & a. Spider's network, material of it, thread of this; thing of flimsy texture (so adj.), thin, flimsy, subtle fanciful reasoning; musty rubbish (esp. fig. as ~s of the law, of antiquity; blow away the ~s, take an airing; entanglement, mesh. Hence ~**bed** (-bd), ~**br**, aa., ~**bery**(5) n. [obs. *cob* spider is prob. f. *cobweb*; but cf. Flem. *cobbe*, *coppe*, spider]

côc'a, n. (Leaves of) Bolivian shrub (chewed as stimulant). [Sp., f. Peruv. *cuca*]

cocaine', n. Drug from coca producing local insensibility. Hence ~**ize**(5) v.t., ~**iza'tion**, ~**ism**(5), nn. [-**ine**']

côc'cagee (-gê), n. A cider apple, cider from it. [f. Ir. *cac* a gheidh goose cider (so coloured)]

côc'cŷx (-ks-), n. Small triangular bone ending spinal column in man; analogous part in birds etc. Hence or cogn. **côc-cŷ'géal** a., **côccŷ'géo-**, **côc'cŷg(o)-**, (-ks-), comb. forms. [L, f. Gk *kokleuz* -ugos cuckoo (like its bill)]

côch'in-chin'a, n. & a. (Fowl) of Cochlin China breed. [place]

côch'ineal, n. Dried bodies of insect reared on cactus in Mexico etc., used for making scarlet dye & carmine. [f. F. *cochenille* f. It. *cocciniglia* (coccino f. L. *coccinum* scarlet robe f. *coccum* scarlet, orig. berry)]

côch'lea (-k-), n. (pl. -*leae*). Spiral cavity of internal ear. [L, = snail]

cock¹, n. 1. Male bird (alone of domestic fowl, as below, also of BLACK~; of other birds only when aided by context; in comb. in bird-names, as PEACOCK, WOOD~, & prefixed = male as ~ *robin*; ~ *sparrow*, male sparrow, small lively pugnacious person; ~ of the wood, capercalzie; || ~ of the north, brambling; ~*nest*, built by some ~s, as wren, to roost in; (short for) woodcock (w. collect. sing. for pl.); male of domestic fowl (~a-doodle-doo, its crow, child's name for ~); GAMB~; ~&-bull story,

idle invention, incredible tale; ~-crow, -crowing, dawn; ~-fighting, setting ~s to fight as sport; *this beats ~-fighting*, is inexpressibly delightful; *like fighting ~s*, on best of fare; *that ~ won't fight*, that plea, plan, will not do; ~ *lobster*, male; ~-shot, -shy, object set up to be thrown at with sticks, stones, etc., as formerly ~s at Shrovetide, a throw at this; ~-comb, crest of ~, Yellow Rattle & other plants, & see COXCOMB; ~s'foot, a pasture grass; ~s'head, kinds of trefoll; ~'spur, ~s' spur, gas-burner of same shape; ~ of the walk, dominant person (so ~ of the school among boys); old ~, familiar vocative. 2. Tapped spout, tap, (~metal, two parts copper to one of lead); (not decent) penis; lever in gun raised ready to be released by trigger (*at half, full*, ~, of gun half-ready or ready to be let off); indicating-tongue of balance. [OE *coc*, cf. F. *coq*. LL *coccus*; prob. imit. from its cluck; sense 2 perh. f. resemblance of tap to ~s' head & comb]

cock², v.t. & 1. Erect, stick or stand up, jauntily or defiantly (~ the ears, in attention; ~ one's nose, in contempt; ~ a snook; ~ one's eye, glance knowingly, wink); ~ one's hat, set it on aslant, also turn up the brim (~ed hat, formerly, with brim fixed so, now, brimless triangular hat pointed before, behind, & above, of various uniform costumes; knock into a ~ed hat, out of shape or recognition); raise cock of (gun) in readiness for firing. [f. prec. w. ref. to cock's comb, crowing-attitude, etc.]

cock³, n. Upward bend (of nose etc.); significant turn (of eye); way of cocking hat; cocked state of gun (see COCK¹). [f. prec.]

cock⁴, n., & v.t. (Heap hay, rarely corn, into) small conical heap(s) in the field. [cf. Norw. *kok* a heap, ON *kökkr* lump]

cockabon'dŷ (-fin-), n. Kind of fishing-fly. [f. W. *coch* a bon *dau* red with black trunk]

cockädie', n. Rosette etc. worn in hat as badge of office or party or part of livery, esp. black leather rosette (badge of House of Hanover) worn by servants of persons serving Crown. Hence ~**ed**² a. [f. F. *cocarde* fem. of 16th-c. *coquard* pert (coq COCK¹, -ARD)]

cock-a-hoop', a. & adv. Exultant(ly), with boastful crowing. [orig. doubtful; there were inn-signs *Hart, Swan, Cock*, etc., on the Hoop; early quotations do not suggest the bird; an explanation (1670) is that the spigot (cock) being taken out and laid on hoop of barrel, the running of the ale produced jollity]

Cockaigne' (-än, -ayne) n. Imaginary land of idleness and luxury; (punningly w. ref. to COCKNEY) London. [f. OF

coquaine perh. = cake-land (L *coquere* cook)

|| **cock-a-leek'ie**. = COCKY-LEEKY.

cockalot'um, n. (colloq.). Self-important little man; || *high* ~, boy's game of leapfrog type. [arbitrary form, f. COCK¹]

cockatoo', n. Kinds of parrot with movable crest. [f. Malay *kakati* w. assim. to COCK¹]

cock'atrice, n. = BASILISK. [f. OF *cocatrice* f. L ⁺*calatricem* nom. -iz treader, transl. of Gk *ikhneumon* ichneumon (*ikhneuō* trace)]

cock'boat, n. Small ship's boat. [f. obs. *cock* cf. OF *coque*, Du. *kog*, etym. dub.]

cock'chafer, n. Greyish-chestnut beetle flying with loud whirring sound. [COCK¹ perh. expressing size or vigour + CHAFER]

cock'er', v.t. Indulge, pamper, coddle, (child, invalid, etc.; usu. up). [perh. f. obs. *cock* vb in same sense, & cf. etym. of COCKNEY]

Cock'er', n. According to ~, exact, correct. [E. ~, famous teacher of arithmetic d. 1675]

cock'er', n. Breed of spaniel. [COCK¹ (as starting woodcock etc.) + ER¹]

cock'erel, n. Young cock; pugnacious youth. [dim. of COCK¹, cf. *pickerel*, *mongrel*]

cock-eyed (-id), a. (sl.). Squinting; crooked, set askant, not level; stupid. [COCK²]

cock-horse, adv. (Also *a-cock-horse*, see A^b) astride, mounted. [in 16th c. = toy horse]

coc'kle', n. (Also *Corn*~) purple-flowered plant growing among corn, esp. wheat; disease of wheat turning grains black. [OE *coccul*; excl. E.; perh. f. a L dim. of *coccum* berry]

coc'kle', n. An edible bivalve; its shell; small shallow boat (also ~*shell*, ~*boat*); ~s of the heart, one's feelings (*delight*, *warm*, the ~s etc.). [f. F *coquille* shell f. L *conchyli* pl. of L f. Gk *kogkhulon* dim. of *kogkhē* mussel]

coc'kle', v.i. & t., & n. (Make to) bulge, curl up, pucker; (n.) bulge or wrinkle in paper, glass, etc. [cf. F *coquiller* blister (of bread)]

coc'kle', n. Radiating-stove for heating room. [perh. f. Du. *kakel* f. G *kachel* stove-tile]

cock'-loft (-aw-), n. Small upper loft. [?]

cock'ney, n. & a. (pl. ~s). (Characteristic of a) native of London (usu. contemptuous, esp. ~ *accent*). Hence ~DOM (-nid-), ~ESS' (-niéz'), nn., ~FY (-nif-) v.t., ~ISM¹ a., ~ISM² (2, 4) n., ~NIF-), ~IZM³ (-nif-) v.t. & i. [ME *coken-ey* cock's egg (*coken* gen. pl., *ey* f. OE *æg*; orig. sense prob. small or ill-shaped egg (still *cock's egg* in dial., cf. G *hahneneter*); obs. senses are 'child that sucketh long', 'one made a wanton or nestle-cock of', townsman, the limitation to London being later].

cock'pit, n. Place made for cockfights; arena of any struggle (~ of *Europe*, Belgium); after part of man-of-war's orlop deck, quarters of junior officers, used in action as hospital; (Aeronaut.) space for pilot etc. in fuselage of aeroplane.

cock'roach, n. Nocturnal voracious dark-brown beetle-like insect (also *black-beetle*) infesting kitchens. [f. Sp. *cucaracha* etym. dub.]

cock-sure' (-shoor), a. Certain to happen, undoubtedly about to do; quite convinced of, about; self-confident, dogmatic, presumptuous, whence ~NESS (-m-) n. [COCK¹ used intensively, SURE]

cocksy, *coxy*, *coxiness*. = COCKY etc.

cock'tail, n. & a., **cock'tailed** (-ld), a. (Horse) with docked tail, of racing stamp but not thorough-bred; (person) placed above his birth or breeding; kind of beetle; drink of spirit with bitters, sugar, etc. (origin doubtful; from U.S.). [tail like that of cock, or that cocks up; sense *half-bred* f. docking of hunters & stage-coach horses]

cock'up, n. (typog.). Initial letter much taller than the rest. [COCK²]

cock'y, **cock'sy**, **cōx'y**, a. Conceited, pert. Hence **cock'ily**¹, **cōx'i-**, adv., **cock'iness**, **cōx'i-**, n. [COCK¹, -y²]

cocky-leek'y, n. Scotch soup of cock boiled with leeks.

cockyōll'y biffd, n. (Nursery phr. for) bird.

cōc'ō (pl. -ōs), **cōc'oa'** (-kō), **cōk'er**, n. (Also ~*nut*, ~*tree*, ~*nut-tree*) tropical palm-tree; *coco-nut*, its large ovate brown hard-shelled seed with edible white lining enclosing whitish liquid (~*nut milk*), (sl.) human head; *that accounts for the milk in the ~nut*, (joc.) now all is explained; ~*nut butter*, the solid oil obtained from the lining of a ~*nut*, used in soap, candles, ointment, etc.; ~*nut matting*, made from fibre of nut's outer husk; *double ~nut*, much larger two-lobed seed of Seychelles palm. [-a added f. confusion w. foll.; f. Port. & Sp. *coco* grimace; *coker* chiefly in commerce, use to avoid ambiguity]

cōc'oa' (-kō), n. Powder made from crushed cacao seeds often with other ingredients; drink made from this or from the seeds; ~ *bean*, cacao seed ~ *nut*, cotyledon of this; ~ *powder*, kind of gunpowder. [corruption of CACAO]

cocōōn, n., & v.t. & i. Silky case spun by larva to protect it as chrysalis, esp. that of silkworm, whence ~EY³ (3) n.; similar structure made by other animals; (vb) form, wrap (oneself, thing etc.) in, ~. [f. F. *cocoon* dim. of *coque* shell]

cōcōtte', n. Member of the Parisian demi-monde; fashionable prostitute. [F]

cōd', n. Large sea fish (also ~*fish*); ~*bank*, submarine bank frequented by it; ~*liver oil*, used as medicine. [excl. E. etym. dub.]

côd¹, v.t. & i. (sl.; -dd-). Hoax, fool. [1]
côd'a, n. (mus.). Independent and often elaborate passage introduced after the natural conclusion of a movement (also fig.). [It., f. L *cauda* tail]

côd'dle, v.t., & n. Treat as invalid, keep from cold & exertion, feed up; (n.) person who coddles himself or others. [perh. = CAUDLE]

côde, n., & v.t. 1. Systematic collection of statutes, body of laws so arranged as to avoid inconsistency & overlapping, whence **côd'irry** v.t., **côd'ifier¹**, **côdificat'ion**, nn.; set of rules on any subject; prevalent morality of a society or class (esp. ~ of honour); system of mil. etc. signals; (Telegr.) set of letter or figure or word groups with arbitrary meanings for brevity or secrecy. 2. v.t. (Also *codify*) put (message) into ~ words, whence **côd'er¹** n. [F. f. L *codex*]

cô-déclinā'tion, n. (astron.). Complement of the declination, North-Polar distance. [co-(2)]

côd'êine, n. Alkaloid in opium used as hypnotic. [f. Gk *kôdeia* poppy-head + -INE³]

côd'êx, n. (pl. -dîcês). Manuscript volume, esp. of ancient Bible or classical texts. [L, earlier *caudex* tree-trunk, tablet, book]

côd'g'er, n. (colloq.). Fellow, buffer, queer old person. [perh. var. of CADGER]

côd'icil, n. Supplementary addition, esp. modifying or revoking will. So **côdicill'ARY¹** a., [f. L *codicillus* (usu. pl.) dim. of *codex*]

côd'ling¹, n. Small cod-fish. [-LING¹(2)]

côd'lin(g)¹, n. Kinds of apple of long tapering shape; ~s-&-cream, willow-horb. [earlier *querdlin* perh. f. Ir. *cueirt* apple + -LING¹]

***cô'-êd'**, n. (colloq.). Girl or woman student at co-educational institution. [abbr.]

cô-êducā'tion, n. Education of boys & girls together. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [co-]

côeff'ic'ient (-shnt), n. Joint agent or factor; (Alg.) number placed before and multiplying another quantity known or unknown; (Physics) multiplier that measures some property (~ of friction, expansion, etc.); *differential* ~, quantity measuring rate of change of a function of any variable with respect to that variable. [co-]

coel'iāc (sêl-), a. (physiol.). Of the belly. [f. L f. Gk *kôliakos* (*kôlita* belly f. *kôilos* hollow)]

coel'(o)- (sêl-), in scientific wds, f. Gk *kôilos* hollow & L *coelum* heavens.

coen'(o)- (sên-), in comb. = Gk *koinos* common.

coen'obite (sên-), **cên'**, n. Member of monastic community. Hence **c(o)eno-**

bit'ic(Al) aa., **c(o)en'obitism(3)** n., (sên-). [f. LL *coenobita* f. LL f. Gk *koinobion* convent (COENO-, *bios* life)]

côeq'ual, a. & n. (Arch., theolog., or emphatic, for) equal. Hence **côequal'ity** (-kwôl-) n., ~LY² adv. [co-]

côerce', v.t. & i. Forcibly constrain or impel (person) into quiet, obedience, or any course (*into*, rarely to do, or *aba-*); use force, secure by force (a ~d obedience). Hence **côer'cible** a. [f. L *coercere* *ercit* = *arcere* shut up)]

côer'cion (-shn), n. Controlling of voluntary agent or action by force; government by force, esp. of Ireland by suspension of ordinary liberties (*C~ Act, Bill*, with such exceptional provisions). Hence ~ARY¹ a., ~IST(2) n. & a., (-shê-). [f. OF *cohercion* f. L *coercitionem* (COERCE, -ION)]

côer'cive, a. Of, acting by, exercising, coercion. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [irreg. f. COERCE + -IVE]

côessên'tial (-shl), a. Of the same substance or essence. [co-]

côetân'eous, a. COEVAL a. [f. LL *co(aetanus)* f. L *aetas* age] + -OUS]

côetér'n'al, a. Alike eternal. So ~LY² adv. [co-]

côev'al, a. & n. (Person) of same date of origin, of same age, existing at same epoch, of same duration. Hence ~ITY (-âl-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *co(aevus)* f. *aevum* age]

cô-êxéc'utor, **cô-êxéc'utrix**, (-gz-), nn. Joint executor, executrix. [co-]

côêxis't', v.i. Exist together or with. So ~'TENT a., ~'TENCE n. [co-]

côextên'sive, a. Extending over same space or time. [co-]

côff'ee (-fi), n. Drink made from seeds of a shrub roasted & ground; light meal with ~, ~ as final course at dinner; the shrub, its seeds raw, roasted, or ground; ~-bean, the seed; ~-cup, of special shape or size; ~-grounds, sediment after infusion; ~-house, -palace, refreshment house; ~-mill, for grinding seeds; ~-pot, for making or serving ~ in; ~-room, public dining-room of hotel; ~-tavern, temperance refreshment house. [f. Turk. f. Arab. *qahveh* the drink]

côff'er, n. Box, esp. for valuables; (pl.) treasury, funds; sunk panel in ceiling etc.; ~-dam, water-tight case in bridge-building, caisson. [f. OF *coffre* f. L f. Gk *kophinos* basket; cf. *order*, F. *ordre*, L *ordinem*]

côff'in, n., & v.t. 1. Chest in which corpse is buried; *drive nail into one's ~*, hasten his, one's, death by annoyance, intemperance, etc.; *unseaworthy ship*; horse's hoof below coronet (~-bone, last phalangeal bone of foot; ~-joint at top of hoof); ~-plate, of metal in lid with deceased's

name etc.; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Put in ~, store away (e.g. books) inaccessibly. [f. OF *coifin* f. L. as prec.]

coff'le, n. Train of beasts, slaves, etc., fastened together. [f. Arab. *qāfilah* caravan]

cōg', n. One of series of projections on edge of wheel or side of bar transferring motion by engaging with another series; *hunting* ~, extra ~ on one wheel etc. securing constant variation in the ~s engaged; ~wheel, with ~s. Hence ~**gēn'** (-gd) a. [cf. Sw. *kugge*, Norw. *kug*]

cōg', v.t. (-gg-). ~ *dice*, fraudulently control the way they fall (~gd *dice* for loaded dice is a mistake of modern archaists). [f.]

cō'gent, a. Forcible, convincing, (of argument, &c, usu. now playfully as though by transf. from this, of motive, compulsion, etc.). Hence cō'GENCY n., ~LY² adv. [f. f. L. *cogere*=co(=agere drive), -ENT]

cō'gitable, a. Able to be grasped by reason, conceivable. [f. L. *cogitabilis* (tell., -ABLE)]

cō'gitāte, v.i. & t. Ponder, meditate; devise; (Philos.) form conception of. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a., ~atively² adv., ~ativeness n. [f. L. *cogitare*=co(=agitare AGITATE) think, -ATE³]

cognac (kōn'yāk), n. French brandy, prop. that distilled from ~ wine. [place-name]

cōg'nāte, a. & n. 1. Descended from common ancestor (cf. AEWATE), akin in origin, nature, or quality; a relative. 2. (Philol.) of same linguistic family; representing same original word; of parallel development in different allied languages (*father* is ~ with L *pater*, *paternal* is derived from it); a ~ word. 3. (Gram.) ~ object or accusative, one of kindred meaning to vb, used adverbially, not as true object (in *die the death*, *death* is ~, in *he slew death* it is object). Hence ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L. *cognatus* born usu. *natus* f. *gn-*, *gen-*, *gon-*, beget)]

cōgnā'tion, n. Cognate relationship, now esp. in philology. [f. L. *cognatio* (prec., -ION)]

cōgnī'tion, n. (philos.). Action or faculty of knowing, perceiving, conceiving, as opposed to emotion & volition; a perception, sensation, notion, or intuition. So ~AL (-sho-), cōg'nī'tive, aa. [f. L. *cognitio* f. *co(gnoscere gnit-* apprehend f. *gnoscere*, usu. *noscere*)]

cōg'nizab[il]e (also kōn'), a. Perceptible; recognizable; within the jurisdiction of a court etc. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. foll. + -ABLE]

cōg'nizance (also kōn'), n. 1. Being aware, notice, sphere of observation, (*have ~ of*, *knew*, esp. in a legitimate or official way; *take ~ of*, attend to, not allow to go unobserved; *fall within*, be beyond, one's ~, of things that fairly concern, do not

concern, one). 2. (Right of) dealing with a matter legally or judicially (with phr. as above in legal sense). 3. Distinctive mark, as crest, coat of arms, badge. [f. OF *conis(s)ance* var. of *connoissance* f. L. *conoscere*-part. st. of *cognoscere* see COGNITION, -ANCE; -s- (cf. the later COGNIZE) due to confusion w. -IZE]

cōg'nizant (also kōn'), a. Having knowledge, being aware, of; (Philos.) having cognition. [f. prec., see -ANT]

cōgnize', v.t. (philos.). Have cognition of. [on anal. of COGNIZANCE & RECOGNIZE & of vbs rightly ending in -IZE]

cōgnōm'ēn, n. Nickname; surname; name; (Rom. Ant.) third or family name, as *Cicero*, *Caesar*, or fourth name or personal epithet, as *Africanus*. [L. *co-*, (*gnomen* name f. st. of (*gnoscere* KNOW)

cognoscente (kōnyōshēn'ti), n. (pl.-ti). Connoisseur. [It., lit., one who knows]

cōgnōs'cible, a. Capable of being known (esp. Philos.). [f. L. *cognoscere* see COGNITION + -IBLE]

cōgnōr'it, n. (legal). Defendant's acknowledgement, to save expense, that plaintiff's cause is just. [L. = he has acknowledged]

cohāb'it, v.i. Live together, esp. as husband & wife (usu. of persons not married). So ~A'TION n. [f. F *cohabiter* f. L. *co(habitare)* dwell frequent. of *habere* hold)]

coheir', **coheir'ess**, (kōār-), nn. Male, female, joint heir. [CO-]

cohēre, v.i. Stick together, remain united, (of parts or whole); be consistent, well knit, (of arguments, style, etc.). Hence cohē'rē'nt n., detector of electric waves consisting of a glass cylinder containing metal filings which ~ when struck by a wave. [f. L. *co(haerere haes-* stick)]

cohēr'ent, a. Cohering; consistent, easily followed, not rambling or inconsequent, (of argument, narration, etc.). So ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently² adv. [f. F *cohérent* f. L. (prec., -ENT)]

cōhē'rīter, n. = COHEIR. [CO-]

cohē'sion (-zhn), n. Sticking together, force with which molecules cohere; tendency to remain united. So cohē'sīve a., cohē'sīvely² (-vi-) adv., cohē'sīveness (-vn-) n. [f. F *cohésion* (L *cohaes-* see COHAERE, -ION)]

cō'hōrt, n. Division of Roman army; band of warriors; persons banded together. [f. F *cohorte* f. L. *cohortem* nom. -ora (CO-, *hort-* enclose, cf. L. *hortus* garden, E GARTH, GARDEN)]

coif, n. (hist.). Close cap covering top, back, and sides, of head; serjeant-at-law's white cap. [f. OF *coiffe* perh. f. MHG *kupfe*]

coiffeur (see Ap.), n. Hair-dresser. [F]

coiffure (see Ap.), n. Way one's hair is dressed. [F]

coign (koin), n. ~ of vantage, place

affording good view of something. [old form of COIN, QUOIN, preserved by *Macb.* I. vi. 7]

coil¹, v.t. & i. Dispose (rope etc.) in concentric rings; twist (t. & i., often up) into circular or spiral shape; move sinuously. [perh. = *F cuetillir* f. L *COL-ligere*=*legere* gather.]

coil², n. Length of coiled rope, spring, etc.; arrangement, thing arranged, in concentric circles; single turn of coiled thing, e.g. snake; lock of hair twisted & coiled; wire, piping, etc., in circles or symmetric curves; (Electr.) spiral wire for passage of current. [f. prec.]

coil³, n. (arch. & poet.). Disturbance, much ado, noise, (*this mortal ~*, turmoil of life). [f.]

coin¹, n. Piece of metal made into money by official stamp; metal money; money; *false ~*, imitation in base metal etc., (fig.) anything spurious; *pay one in his own ~*, give tit for tat. Hence *~LESS* a. [F, = wedge, corner (cf. COIGN, QUOIN), stamping-die, f. L *cuneus*]

coin², v.t. Make (money) by stamping metal (*~ money*, get money fast); make (metal) into money; make money by means of (one's *brains* etc.); invent, fabricate, (esp. new word). [f. OF *coigner* f. *coin* see prec.]

coin³, n. Coining; coins; system of coins in use (*decimal ~*, in which each value is ten times the next below); fabrication (*the ~ of one's brain*), invention, coined word. [f. OF *coinaige* see prec., -AGE]

coincide¹, v.i. Occupy same portion of space; occur at and occupy same time; agree together or with; concur in opinion etc. [f. F *coincider* f. med. L *co-IN(cidere)* = *cadere* fall]

coincidence, n. (Instance of) being coincident; notable concurrence of events or circumstances without apparent causal connexion. [F, see foll., -ENCE]

coincident, a. Coinciding. Hence *~LY*¹ adv. [F, see COINCIDE, -ENT]

coincidental, a. Of the nature of (a) coincidence. [f. prec. + -AL]

coin'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., maker of counterfeit coin. [COIN² + -ER¹]

coinstantaneous, a. Exactly at the same moment. [CO-]

coir (kol'er), n. Coco-nut fibre, used for ropes, matting, etc. [f. Malayalam *kayar* cord]

coition, n. Sexual copulation. [f. L *coitio* f. *co* (tre it-go)]

cōke, n., & v.t. (Convert *coal* into) solid substance left when volatile parts have been distilled from coal. [prob. f. obs. *coik* core of. OFris. & LG *kolk* hole]

coker (nut). See COCO.

cōl, n. Depression in mountain-chain. [F, = neck, *col*, f. L *collum* neck]

col-, form taken by COM- before l.

cōl'a, k-, n. W.-Afr. tree; (also *~nut*, *~seed*), its seed, used as condiment, tonic, and antidote to alcohol. [W.-Afr.]

col'ander (kū-), **cūll'ender**, n., & v.t. (Pass through a) perforated vessel used as strainer in cookery; similar appliance for casting shot. [corruption of med. L *colatorium* (*colare* strain, -ORY)]

cō-lāt'itūde, n. (astron.). Complement of latitude, difference between it & 90°. [CO-(2)]

cōlcānn'on, n. Irish dish of cabbage and potatoes pounded and stewed. [f.]

cōl'chicum (-ki-), n. Meadow-saffron; drug extracted from it used for gout. [L, f. Gk *kolkhikon* neut. adj. (*Kolkhis* on Black Sea, -IC)]

cōl'cothar, n. Red peroxide of iron used in polishing glass etc. [f. Arab. *qolqofar*]

cōld¹, a. 1. Of low temperature, esp. when compared with human body or with that usual in things like the one in question (*ice, key, stone, ~*, ~ as these; *~blooded*, of fish & reptiles, also fig. of sluggish persons, & see below; *~livered*, unemotional; *~ steel*, sword, bayonet, etc., opposed to fire-arms, *inch or few* etc. *inches of ~ steel*, thrust). 2. Not heated or having cooled after heat (*~ water*; *throw ~ water on plan*, discourage it; *~ in death* or *~*, dead; *~ pig*, water thrown on sleeper to wake him, also *~pig* as v.t.; *~hammer*, work metal in *~ state*; *~CHISEL*; *~ without*, ~ sugarless spirit & water; *~ meat*, that has cooled after cooking; *~ shoulder*, of roast mutton, *give the ~ shoulder to*, entertain poorly, show distaste for company of, also *~ shoulder* as v.t.; *in ~ blood*, without the excuse of heat or excitement, of cruelty etc., whence *~blood'ed' a.*, *~blood'ed-NESS* n.); feeling *~*; slow to absorb heat (of clayey soil). 3. Without ardour, friendliness, or affection, undemonstrative, apathetic, (so *~heart'ed' a.*, *~heart'edness* n., *~heart'edly* adv.; *idea leaves one ~*, unmoved, not impressed). 4. Chilling, depressing, uninteresting, (*~ comfort, counsel, news*). 5. Faint (of scent in hunting). 6. *~ colours*, blue, grey, etc., opp. red, yellow, etc.; *~drawn* CASTOR OIL; *~ coil*, tube coiled round inflamed part with *~ water* running in it; *~ blast*, of *~ air* forced into furnace; *~ CREAM*; *~ feel*, (orig. army sl.) funk, disinclination to fight or go to or remain at the front; *~ snap*, sudden spell of *~ weather*; *have person ~* (at one's mercy); *~ WAR*. Hence *~ISH* (2) a., *~LY*² adv., *~NESS* n. [OE *cald*, com.-Teut. cf. G *kalt*, cogn. w. L *gel-*]

cōld², n. Prevalence in atmosphere, or rarely in any object, of low temperature (*left out in the ~*, not looked after);

inflamed state of mucous membrane, with hoarseness, running at nose, sore throat, etc. [CATCH¹ ~; often ~ in the head]. Hence ~PROOF a. [OE *cald* neut. adj. see prec.]

cöld'-short, a. Brittle in its cold state (of iron). [f. Scand. (Da. *kold-skjör*) *skjör* brittle w. assim. to *short* as in *shortbread*] **cöle**, n. (Old name, now rare exc. in comb., for) kinds of cabbage etc., as Rape, Sea-kale; ~seed, plant from which colza oil is got. [f. L *caulis* stem, cabbage]

cöleöpterous, a. Of the order of *Coleoptera* or beetles, with front wings converted into sheaths for hinder. [f. Gk *koleopteros* (*koleos* sheath, *pteron* wing) + -ous]

***cöle-slaw** (-ls-), n. Salad of sliced cabbage. [f. Du. *koolsla* = *kool-salade* (*kool* cabbage)]

cölic, n. Severe griping pains in belly. Hence ~ky¹ a. [f. F *colique* f. L f. Gk *kolikos* (COLON¹, -IO)]

cölit'is, n. Inflammation of the lining of the colon. [COLON¹ + -ITIS]

colläb'orjäte, v.i. Work in combination (with, or abs.) esp. at literary or artistic production; co-operate treacherously with the enemy. So ~A'TION, ~ÄTOR², nn. [f. L *col(laborare LABOUR²), -AT²*]

colläpse, n., & v.i. (Undergo, experience, a) falling in, sudden shrinking together, giving way, prostration by loss of nervous or muscular power, breakdown of mental energy, loss of courage. [(n. f. L *collapsus* -ūs) f. *col(labi laps- slip)*]

colläp'sible, -able, a. So made as to collapse when required for packing etc. [-BLE]

cöll'ar¹, n. Neckband, upright or turned over, of coat, dress, shirt, etc.; band of linen, lace, etc., completing upper part of costume; || neck-chain of order of knighthood; || ~ of SS or *esses*, formerly badge of House of Lancaster, still in some officials' costume; leather or metal band round dog's or prisoner's neck; roll round horse's neck bearing weight of draught (~harness, opp. BREAST¹-harness; ~work, hard pulling esp. up hill, & fig. of severe effort, so also against the ~); restraining or connecting band, ring, pipe, in machines etc.; arrangement connecting several fishing-filts; coloured stripe round animal's neck; piece of meat, brawn, fish, tied in roll; ~beam, horizontal beam connecting two rafters and forming with them an A-shaped roof-truss; ~bone, joining breast-bone & shoulder-blade, clavicle. Hence (-)~ED² (-rd), ~LESS, aa. [f. OF *colier* f. L *collare* (*collum* nock, -AR¹)]

cöll'ar², v.t. Seize (person) by the collar, capture. (Footb.) lay hold of and stop (opponent holding ball); (sl.) appropriate; press (meat etc.) into roll. [f. prec.]

cöllarët(te)', n. Woman's collar of lace, fur, etc. [f. F *colerette* (*collier* COLLAR¹, -ETTE)]

collät'e, v.t. Compare in detail (copies of text or document, one copy with another); (Bibliog.) verify order of (sheets) by signatures; appoint (clergyman) to benefice (only of the Ordinary). So ~OR² n. [f. L *col(lat- p.p. st. of ferre bring)*]

collät'eral, a. & n. Side by side, parallel; subordinate but from same source, contributory, connected but aside from main subject, course, etc.; of common descent but by different line (so as noun = ~ kinsman); ~ security or ~, property pledged as guarantee for repayment of money (opp. *personal* giving right of action for recovery). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. mod. L *col(lateralis f. latus -eris side)*]

collät'ion, n. In vbl senses of COLLATE; also: (R.-C. Ch.) light repast in evening of fast-day; light meal (usu. cold ~) often at exceptional time. [OF, f. L *collationem* (COLLATE, -ION); sense *repast* from Benedictine monastery readings of Lives of the Fathers (*collationes patrum*; *collatio* also of the reading & debate on it) followed by light repast]

cöll'eague (-ëg), n. One of two or more holders of joint office (usu. with *my* etc.). [f. F *collègue* f. L *col(liga f. legere choose)*]

cöll'ect¹, n. Short prayer of Common Prayer Book, esp. one of those appropriated to days or seasons & read before Epistle & in morning & evening prayer. [f. F *collecte* f. L *collecta* fem. p.p. of *colligere* COLLECT²; orig. sense perh. *summing up* (of thought appropriate to occasion); for noun use of p.p. cf. e.g. *army*]

collèct², v.t. & i. Assemble, accumulate, bring or come together; get (taxes, contributions) from a number of people; secure (specimens, books, etc.) for addition to a set; regain control of, concentrate, recover, (oneself, one's thoughts, energies, courage; ~ed, not distracted, cool, whence ~EDLY² adv.; ~ a horse, keep him in hand, not let him sprawl); infer, gather, conclude. Hence ~ABLE, ~IBLE, a. [f. obs. *collect* adj. f. L *collectus* p.p. of *col(ligere = legere pick)*]

cöll'ectän'tä, n. pl. Collected passages, miscellany. [L, neut. pl. adj.]

collèction, n. Collecting; collecting of money, money collected, at meeting or Church service for charitable or religious purpose; accumulation of water, dust, etc.; group of things collected & belonging together (literary materials, specimens, works of art, etc.); || (pl.) college terminal examination at Oxford etc. [OF, f. L *collectionem* (COLLECT², -ION)]

collèctive, a. & n. Formed by, constituting a, collection, taken as a whole, aggregate, (~ *frail*, resulting from many

flowers, as mulberry); of, from, many individuals, common, (~ *note*, signed by several States; ~ *ownership*, of land, means of production, etc., by all for benefit of all, whence **colléc'tivism**, **colléc'tivist**, nn.); (Gram. & Log.) ~ *noun*, ~ *idea*, or ~, used in sing. to express many individuals, as *cattle*, *troop*, *duck*. Hence ~LY² (-v1-) adv., **colléc'tiv'ity** n. [f. L *collectivus* (as prec., -IVE)]

colléc'tor, n. One who collects (specimens, curiosities, railway tickets at station, money due, esp. taxes, rent, & subscriptions); collecting-apparatus in various machines; (I.C.S.) chief official of district collecting revenue & holding magisterial powers, whence (office & district) ~ATE¹ n. Hence ~SHIP n. [med. L, as prec. + -OR²]

|| **colléen'**, n. (Anglo-Ir.). Girl. [Ir. *caitín*, dim. of *caile* country-woman]

coll'ége, n. Body of colleagues with common functions & privileges (*Sacred C~*, ~ of *cardinals*, the Pope's council of 70; *Herald's C~*, or *C~ of Arms*; *C~ of Physicians*, *Preceptors*, etc.); || independent corporation of scholars in university, usu. with master, fellows, scholars, & students not on foundation; || similar foundation outside university (as Eton, Dulwich); small degree-giving university; institution for higher education affiliated to university; place of professional study (army, naval, of agriculture, etc.); || large public secondary school (Marlborough); (pretentious name for) private school; buildings of any of these; || ~ *living*, benefice in gift of a ~; ~ *pudding*, small plum pudding for one person. Hence **collé'gial** a. [f. OF *college* f. L *collegium* (*collega* COLLEAGUE)]

|| **coll'éger**, n. One of seventy foundation scholars at Eton. [-ER¹]

collé'gian, n. Member of a college; || (old sl.) inmate of a prison. [-AN]

collé'giate¹ a. Constituted as, belonging to, a college or body of colleagues, corporate; ~ *church*, endowed for chapter but with no see, (Sc. & U.S.) under joint pastorate; ~ *school*, of high pretensions. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *collegiatus* (COLLEGE, -ATE²)]

collé'giâte², v.t. Make collegiate. [as prec., -ATE²]

coll'ét, n. Encompassing band, ferrule, socket, flange holding gem, bezel. [F, dim. of COL]

collide', v.i. Come into collision; be in conflict. [f. L *collidere* *lis* = *laedere* hurt]

coll'ie, -y, n. Scotch sheep-dog. [cf. obs. adj. *colly* = *coaly*; perh. as orig. black]

coll'ier (-yer), n. Coal-miner, whence **coll'ierY**(3) (-ye-) n.; coal-ship; sailor on this. [COAL, -IER]

coll'ig'lâte, v.t. Bring into connexion (esp. isolated facts by a generalization). So ~'TION n. [f. L *colligare* bind, see -ATE²]

coll'im'lâte, v.t. Adjust line of sight of (telescope etc.), make parallel (telescopes, rays). Hence ~'TION n. [collimare false reading in Cicero for *collineare* f. *linea* line]

coll'imátor, n. Small attached telescope for collimating an instrument; tube in spectroscopic throwing parallel rays on prism. [-OR²]

collin'ear, a. In same straight line. [COL-] || **Coll'ins** (-z), n. (colloq.). = ROOPER. [Jane Austen, *P. & P.*, ch. xxiii]

collis'ion (-zhn), n. Dashing together, violent encounter of moving body, esp. ship or railway train, with another; (fig.) harsh combination (of consonants); clashing of opposed interests etc. (esp. in ~, come into ~ with); (Naut.) ~-mat, ready for putting over hole made by ~. [f. L *collisio* (COLLIDE, -ION)]

coll'oc'lâte, v.t. Place together; arrange; station, set in particular place. So ~'TION n. [f. L *collucare* f. *locus* place] station]

coll'oc'utor, n. Partaker in talk, as *my* ~ *said*. [LL, f. *colloqui* locut-talk, -OR²]

collód'ion, n. Solution of gun-cotton in ether filming when exposed, used in photography & surgery. Hence ~ED² (-nd) a., ~IZE(5) v.t., **collód'io-** comb. form. [f. Gk *kollōdēs* (*kolla* glue, -ON²)]

collógue' (-g), v.i. Talk confidentially (with suggestion of plotting, an obs. sense). [cf. F *colloque* conference, & obs. *colleague* vb plot]

coll'oid, a. & n. Gluey (substance); (Path.) ~ *tissue* etc., degenerated into homogeneous gelatinous consistence (also ~, such substance); (Chem.) (substance) of non-crystalline semi-solid kind suspended or dispersed in some medium, e.g. gelatine & starch. Hence **colloid'AL** a. [Gk *kolla* glue, -OID]

coll'op, n. Slice of meat; (Bibl.) fold of skin in fat person or animal. [f. 14th c., orig. sense *fried ham and eggs*, etym. dub.]

colló'quial, a. In or of talk, oral; belonging to familiar speech, not used in formal or elevated language. Hence ~ISM(3, 4), ~IST(1), nn., ~LY² adv. [COLLOQUY, -AL]

coll'ou'ist, n. = COLLOCUTOR. [foll., -IST(1)] **coll'ou'y**, n. Converse; a conversation; judicial and legislative court in Presbyterian Church. [f. L *colluquium* f. *loqui* speak]

coll'otype, n. Thin plate of gelatine etched by actinic rays & then printed from (~ *plate*, *process*, etc.). [f. Gk *kolla* glue + TYPE]

collude' (-dō-), v.i. (arch.). Practise collusion. [f. L *colludere* *lus* = play]

collu'sion (-ōzhn), *n.* Fraudulent secret understanding, esp. between ostensible opponents as in law-suit. Hence **collus'ive** (-ōv) *a.*, **collus'ively** *adv.* [F, f. L *collusionem* (prec., -ION)]

coll'y'rium, *n.* (pl. -ia). Eyesalve; suppository. [f. L f. Gk *kollurion* poultice]

coll'ywōbbles (-lz), *n.* pl. (colloq.). Rumbling in the intestines. [limit.]

Cōl'ney Hatch, *n.* (Used for) ~ Lunatic Asylum for County of London. [place]

cōl'ocynth, *n.* Bitter-apple, gourd plant with bitter-pulp fruit used as purgative drug; the drug. [f. L f. Gk *kolokumthis*]

cōl'on'ā, *n.* (anat.). Greater part of larger intestine, from caecum to rectum. Hence ~**itis** *n.* [L, f. Gk *kōlon*]

cōl'on'ā, *n.* Punctuation-mark (:) ranking between period and semicolon, & used esp. to mark antithesis, illustration, or (often with dash —) quotation; in Greek ('). [L, f. Gk *kōlon* limb, clause]

colōn'ate, *n.* Serf system in later Roman Empire. [f. LL *colonatus* (L *colonus*, see **COLONY**, -ATE¹)]

colonel (kērn'el), *n.* Highest regimental officer; (short for) Lieutenant-~; *C~* *Commandant*, honorary rank of senior officers of R.A., R.E., etc. Hence ~**cy** (kērn') *n.* [corrected f. *coronel* f. F *coronnel* f. It. *colonnello* (*colonna* column)]

colonelship (kērn'), *n.* Being a colonel (cf. *colonelcy*, ordinary word for the office), [-SHIP]

colōn'ial, *a.* & *n.* (Inhabitant) of a colony, esp. of a British self-governing or Crown Colony; *C~* *Office*, State department in charge of the Colonies. Hence ~**ism** (2, 4) *n.*, ~**ly** *adv.* [f. L *colonia* COLONY + -AL]

cōl'onist, *n.* Settler in, part-founder or inhabitant of, a colony. [COLONIZE, -IST]

cōl'oniz'e, *v.t.* & *i.* Establish colony in; establish in a colony; establish or join a colony; *(Pol.) plant voters in a district for party purposes. Hence ~**ation**, ~**er** *n.* [f. L *colonus* farmer (*colere* till) + -IZE]

cōlōnnād'ie, *n.* Series of columns with entablature; row of trees. Hence ~**ed** *a.* [F (*colonne* COLUMN, -ADE)]

cōl'on'y, *n.* (Gk hist.) Independent city founded by emigrants; (Rom. hist.) settlement usu. of veterans in conquered territory acting as garrison; settlement, settlers, in new country forming community fully or partly subject to mother State; their territory; people of one nationality or occupation in a city, esp. if living in a special quarter (so of animals, ~ of *sparrows* etc.); (Biol.) aggregate of animals as in coral. [f. L *colonia* (*colonus* farmer f. *colere* till)]

cōl'ophon, *n.* Tail-piece in old books, often ornamental, giving information now placed on title-page (*from title-page to ~*, from cover to cover). [LL, f. Gk *kolophon* summit]

colōph'on'y, *n.* Dark resin distilled from turpentine & water. Hence **colōph'on-ate** (3) *n.*, **coloph-**, **colophon-**, comb. forms. [f. L *colophonia* (*resina* resin) of *Colophon* in Lydia]

cōloquin'tida, *n.* = COLOCYNTHE.

Cōlora'dō bee'tle (-rah-), *n.* Yellow black-striped beetle, destructive to potatoes. [*Colorado* in U.S.]

colo(u)rā'tion (kū-, kō-), *n.* Colouring, method of putting on or arranging colour: natural, esp. variegated, colour of living or other things. [F, f. L *colorare* COLOUR², -ATION]

clōratura (-ahtoor'a), *n.* Florid passages in vocal music (often attrib., as ~ *soprano*). [It., f. L *colorare* to colour]

clōrifi'c (also kō-), *a.* Producing colour; highly coloured. [f. F *colorifique* (COLOUR¹, -I-, -FIC)]

clōrim'eter (also kū-), *n.* Instrument measuring intensity of colour. [L *color*, -I-, -METER]

colōss'al, *a.* Of, like, a colossus; gigantic, huge; (colloq., f. G) remarkable, splendid, delightful. Hence ~**ly** *adv.* [fol. + -AL]

colōss'us, *n.* (pl. -i, -uses). Statue of much more than life size; gigantic person or personified empire etc., esp. conceived (like C~ of Rhodes) as standing astride over dominions. [L, f. Gk *kolossos*]

colōt'omy, *n.* (surg.). Incision in COLON¹ to provide artificial anus in stricture etc. [COLON¹, -TOMY]

colour (kūl'er), *n.* 1. Sensation produced on eye by rays of decomposed light (cf. *black*, effect produced by no light or by surface reflecting no rays, & *white*, effect produced by rays of undecomposed light). 2. A particular hue, one, or any mixture, of the constituents into which light decomposes as in spectrum, including loosely black, white (ACCIDENTAL ~; *complementary* ~, that combined with given ~ makes white; *fundamental*, *primary*, *simple*, ~s, red, green, & violet, or with painters red, blue, & yellow, giving all others by mixture; *secondary* ~, mixture of two primary; ~-blind, unable to distinguish certain colours, see DALTONISM, also fig. in U.S., impartial between whites & blacks, whence ~-blindness *n.*; ~ *scheme*, ~-design on which the furnishing and decoration of a room or the planting of a flower garden is based; ~-wash, coloured distemper (also as *v.t.*); see *the ~ of one's money*, receive some payment from him; *man, woman*, etc., of ~, of non-white race, esp. negro (~ *bar*, legal or social distinction between whites & people of ~). 3. Ruddiness of face (*lose, gain*, ~; *change* ~, turn pale or red). 4. Appearance, light, (*paint in bright, dark*, ~s; see *in its true* ~s; *put false* ~s upon). 5. (Art) colouring, ~system, ~-perception, affects as of ~ got

by light and shade in engraving, whence ~IST(8) (kūl'cr-) n., ~is'tic a.; pigment, paint, (~boz, of assorted artists' paints; WATER ~s; ~man, dealer in paints). 6. (Pl.) coloured ribbon, dress, etc., worn as symbol of party, membership of club, etc. (|| get one's, give one his, ~s, of inclusion in athletic team; show one's ~s, one's party or character); flag of ship, pair of silken flags (*King's or Queen's ~, regimental ~*) carried by regiment (TROOPING of the ~ or ~s; with the ~s, serving in army; sail under false ~s, fig. of hypocrite or impostor; come off with flying ~s, win credit; nail ~s to mast, persist, refuse to climb down; ~sergeant, senior sergeant of infantry company, now *Company Sergeant-Major* or *Quartermaster Serpt*, with duty of guarding ~s); coloured dresses. 7. Show of reason, pretext, false plea, (*give no ~ for saying; under ~ of*). 8. (Mus.) timbre, quality, also variety of expression. 9. (Gen.) character, tone, quality, mood, shade of meaning, (*take one's ~ from*). 10. (Literature) picturesqueness, ornate style, (*local ~, use of details giving verisimilitude, background, or atmosphere*). Hence ~FUL (kūler-) a., full of ~, bright, gay (often fig.). [f. OF *color* f. L *colorem* nom. -or] colour² (kūl'er), v.t. & i. Give colour to; paint, stain, dye; disguise; misrepresent (*highly ~ed details*); imbue with its own colour (*motive ~s act*); take on colour; blush; ~ed person (not wholly of white descent). [f. OF *colorer* f. L *colorare* (color colour¹)] col'ourable (kūler-), a. Specious, plausible; counterfeit. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *colorable* (as proc., -ABLE)] col'ouring (kūler-), n. In vbl senses; esp., style in which thing is coloured, or in which artist employs colour. [-ING¹] col'ourless (kūler-), a. Without colour; pale; dull-hued; wanting in character or vividness: neutral, impartial, indifferent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS] col'oury (kūler), a. (commerc.). Having the colour that goes with good quality (of hops, coffee, etc.). [-Y¹] col'porteur^r (-tēr; also kōl'), n. Book-hawker, esp. one employed by society to distribute Bibles. [F (*colporteur* vb f. L *collum* neck, *portare* carry, -OR²)] cōlt¹, n., & v.t. Young male of horse from when it is taken from dam to age of 4 (with thoroughbreds 5); inexperienced person, || esp. cricket professional in first season; (Naut.) rope used for chastisement (vb, *thump with ~*); ~s'foot, common large-leaved yellow-flowered weed; ~s' tail, ragged-edged cloud. Hence ~HOOD n., ~NESS a. [f] Cōlt², n. (Used for) ~revolver, automatic, or pistol. [S. ~, inventor]

*cōl'ter. See COULTER.

cōl'ūbrine, a. Snake-like; esp., of, like, the *coluber* (genus of harmless snakes). [f. L *colubrinus* (*coluber* snake)]

cōlumbā'rium, n. (pl. -ia). (In mod. use) building with tiers of niches for reception of clerical urns. [L, = pigeon-house]

cōl'umbine¹, n. Garden plant with flower like five clustered pigeons, kind of aquilegia. [f. F *columbine* f. med. L *columbina* f. L *columba* dove, -INE¹]

Cōl'umbine², n. Mistress of Harlequin in pantomime. [f. It. *Columbina* character in comedy, proper name f. L as pred.]

cōl'umn (-um), n. 1. (Archit.) long vertical often slightly tapering cylinder usu. supporting entablature or arch, or alone as monument, (fig.) support; ~-shaped object, organ in Anat. or Bot., part of machine, etc. (~ of water, mercury, confined vertical cylindrical mass; ~ of smoke, rising straight). 2. Vertical division of page for figures etc., or to reduce length of lines esp. in newspapers (also part of newspaper, sometimes more or less than ~, devoted to special subject, as AGONY ~, advertisement ~s; our ~s, the ~s of *The Times*, contents of newspaper), whence ~IST n., journalist who regularly contributes to a newspaper a ~ of miscellaneous comment on people and events. 3. Narrow-fronted deep arrangement of troops in successive lines (*in ~ of sections, platoons, companies*, with one section etc. forming each line & one section's etc. length between lines; quarter ~, with 6 paces between lines; FIFTH ~; body of ships, esp. following one another. Hence or cogn. cōlūm'nar¹, ~ED² (-um), cōlūm'niform, aa. [f. OF *colompne* f. L *columna* (cel- whence *celsus* high)]

colūre', n. One of two great circles intersecting rectangularly at poles & dividing equinoctial & ecliptic into four equal parts, one passing through equinoctial, & one through solstitial, points of ecliptic. [f. L f. Gk *kolouros* truncated]

cōl'za, n. = COLE-seed; ~oil, made from it & used in lamps. [F, f. LG *cōlsdt* COLE-seed]

com-, pref. = L *cum* in comb., retained as com- before b, p, m, & rarely before vowels, changed to cor- before r, col- before l, co- before vowels, h, & gn, & com- before other consonants; com- occurs in E also before f (*comfort*). Meaning, with, together, altogether, completely.

cōm'a¹, n. Unnatural heavy sleep, stupor, lethargy. Hence ~tose a. [f. Gk *kōma* -atos cf. *koimao* put to sleep]

cōm'a², n. (pl. -ae). (Bot.) tuft of silky hairs at end of seed; (Astron.) nebulous envelope round nucleus of comet. [L, f. Gk *kōmē* hair of head]

comb¹ (-m), *n.* Toothed strip of horn, metal, ivory, etc., for arranging, cleaning, or confining the hair; = **CURRY-comb**; thing of same shape, look, or purpose, in many machines, esp. for dressing wool, or collecting electricity, or in animal structure; red fleshy crest of fowl esp. cock, analogous growth in other birds, (*cut the ~ of, humiliate*); crest of hill or wave; = **MONEYCOMB**¹; ~-out, process or instance of **COMB**²ing out. Hence (-) **cōmbred**² (-md) *a.* [com.-Teut., cf. Du. *kam*, G. *kamm*; also Gk. *gomphos* pin, Skr. *gambhas* tooth]

comb² (-m), *v.t. & i.* Draw comb through (hair), curry (horse), dress (wool, flax) with comb; (of wave) curl over; ~ out, secure or get rid of (as) by ~ing (esp. of getting recruits from among those previously exempted from service). [earlier *kemb*; present *vb f. prec.*]

comb³ (*kū- or kō-*), *n., & v.t. & i.* (Do) battle; *single ~*, duel; (engage in) contest, struggle; oppose, strive against. [*f. F. combat & combattre f. LL. (COM-, ballere, batuere, fight)*]

comb⁴ (*kū- or kō-*), *a. & n.* Fighting, fighter. [OF part. as *prec.*]

comb⁵ (*kū- or kō-*), *a.* Pugnacious. Hence ~ **LY**² *adv.*, ~ **NES** *n.* [COMBAT *v.* + -IVE]

combe. See **COOMB**.

comb⁶ (*er*), *n.* In *vbl* senses; esp.: machine for combing cotton or wool very fine; long curling wave, breaker. [-ER¹]
combina⁷ (*n.*), *n.* Combining; combined state (*in ~ with*); combined set of things or persons; (Math., pl.) different collections possible of given number of individuals in groups of given smaller number; (Chem.) union of substances in compound with properties differing from theirs; united action; || (pl.) single undergarment for body & legs; motor-cycle with side-car attached (in full *motor-cycle ~*); ~ (lock), complicated locking arrangement used for safes, strong rooms, etc.; ~-room, at Cambridge = **COMMON**¹-room. [OF *f. LL. combinationem* (COMBINE, -ATION)]

combine⁸, *v.t. & i., & n.* 1. Join together (persons, or things material or other); possess (esp. qualities usu. separate) together; (cause to) coalesce in one substance, form chemical compound; co-operate; ~d *operation* (in which the fighting services co-operate). 2. *n.* (usu. *kōm*⁴). Combination of persons, esp. to raise prices or obstruct course of trade; (pr. *kōm*⁴) ~d reaping and threshing machine. So **cōm**⁹ (*binā* *n.* [f. *LL. COM(binare f. bin* two together)])

comb¹⁰ (*ing*), *n.* In *vbl* senses; esp., (pl.) hairs combed off. [-ING¹]

comb¹¹ (*stible*), *a. & n.* (Matter, thing) capable of or used for burning; excitable. Hence ~ **BL**² *n.* [F. *f. LL. combustibilis f. L. comburere* -ut- perh. = COM- + urere burn (-b- unexplained)]

comb¹² (*stion*), *n.* 1. Destruction by fire (SPONTANEOUS ~). 2. (Chem. etc.) development of light & heat going with chemical combination; oxidation of organic tissue. [OF, *f. LL. combustionem* (prec., -ION)]

come¹ (*kūm*), *v.i.* (*came, come*). 1. Start, move, arrive, towards or at a point, time, or result (often not specified because obvious, while point of departure, if it matters, is always specified; cf. *GO*; ~ *into world*, be born; ~ *of AGE*; ~ *to an end*, cease; ~ *to hand*, of letter etc., be delivered; ~ **SHORT**; ~ *to a point*, taper; ~ *to blows*, fight; ~ *home* to, be realized by; ~ & *go*, pass to & fro, pay brief visit, be transitory; *let 'em all ~*, sl. announcement of readiness; *light ~ light go*, what is easily won is soon lost; *coming nineteen*, in nineteenth year; *two years ~ Christmas*, including time from now to Christmas). 2. Be brought (the dinner *came*; ~ *under notice*, before judge). 3. Fall, land, on (*came on my head*). 4. Move relatively by motion of beholder etc. towards one (~ *into sight*, to one's knowledge, *in one's way*; ~ *to light*, be revealed). 5. Reach point with hand, instrument, or missile. 6. Occur, fall to lot of, (~ *s on such a page*; *one ~s before, after, another*; ~ *into one's head*; the work, ill luck, ~ *s to me*). 7. Happen (*how ~s it that ~?*; to ~ *pred. adj.*, future; for a year to ~; the to ~, the future; ~ *what may*, whatever happens). 8. Become present from future (~ *to pass*; the time will ~ *when*). 9. Spring of, be the result of, (*that's what ~s of grumbling*; ~ *of noble parents*). 10. Enter, be brought, into (collision, play, prominence; ~ *to harm*, be injured). 11. Amount to (~ *s to 2/6*; it ~ *to this, that*-, is as much as to say that). 12. Take form (the *butler will not ~*). 13. Find oneself under compulsion or in a position to (*have ~ to believe, has ~ to be used*). 14. (With cogn. obj.) traverse, accomplish, (*have ~ 3 miles, a long way*). 15. Play a part (sl.; ~ *the bully over*; ~ *it strong, show vigour*; ~ *it too strong*, overdo something, exaggerate). 16. Become, get to be, prove, (*string ~s untied, things ~ right, he came alive*; ~ *s expensive, easy, true, natural*). 17. (Imperat. as exclamation) now then (encouraging), think again, don't be hasty. 18. ~ *about*, happen; ~ *across*, meet with; ~ *along*, (colloq.) make haste; ~ *at*, reach, discover, get access to; ~ *away*, get detached; ~ *back*, recur to memory, retaliate or retort (sl.); (as *n.*, ~ *back*) a return to, reinstatement in, one's former position (*stage a ~-back*); ~ *by* (prep.) obtain, (*adv.*) pass; ~ *down*, extend downwards to, be handed down by tradition, fall, be humbled (esp. *in the world*, lose caste); ~ *down upon*, rebuke, punish, exact reparation from; ~ *down with*, pay (money); ~ *forward*, present oneself,

answer appeal; ~ *in*, enter house or room, begin innings, take such a place in race etc. (~ *in third*), be elected, come to power, be received as income, become reasonable or fashionable, serve a purpose (esp. ~ *in useful*), find a place (*where does the joke ~ in?*; *where do I ~ in?* how are my interests advanced?); ~ *in for*, get share of, get; ~ *into*, receive possession of; ~ *near doing*, narrowly escape or fail; ~ *off*, be detached, extricate oneself from contest etc. in such state (*with flying colours, badly*), be accomplished, fulfilled; ~ *on*, (prep.) = ~ *upon*, (adv.) continue coming, advance esp. to attack, progress, thrive, supervene (of wind, storm, disease), arise to be discussed, appear on stage, begin to bowl, (imperat.) follow me. I defy you; ~ *out*, go on strike, emerge from examination etc. with such success, emerge from clouds, be found out, be solved, show itself (of photograph, smallpox, arrogance), be published (~ *s out on Saturdays*), make début on stage or in society; ~ *out of that*, sl. order to clear out or desist; ~ *out with*, utter; ~ *over*, (prep.) master as an influence, (adv.) ~ from some distance or across obstacle (*came over with the Conqueror, over from London to see us*), change sides or opinion; ~ *round*, look in for casual visit, recover from ill temper, swoon, etc.; ~ *to*, (prep.) inherit, return to (oneself), one's senses from fainting-fit or from folly), (adv.) cease moving, revive; ~ *under*, be classed as or among, be subjected to (influence); ~ *up*, || join university, approach person for talk, get abreast with, spring out of ground, become fashionable, be mooted, be equal to standard etc., (imperat., to horse) go faster; ~ *upon*, attack by surprise, strike or lay hold of (mind), make demand on, be a burden to, meet by chance with. [OE *cuman*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *komen*, G. *kommen*; cogn. also W. Skr. *gam*, Gk *bainō*, L *venire*]

come² (kūm), n. ~-d-go, passing to & fro; ~-down, downfall, degradation. [f. proc.]

come-āt'-able (kūm-), a. Accessible. [-ABLE]

coméd'ian, n. Actor, writer, of comedies. [f. F *comédien* f. L *comœdia* COMEDY + -AN]

comédiénne, n. Comedy actress. [F] **comédiétt'a**, n. Short or slight comedy. [It., dim. of *comedia* COMEDY]

côm'edist, n. Writer of comedies. [foll., -IST(s); to avoid ambiguity of COMEDIAN]

côm'edy, n. Stage-play of light, amusing, & often satirical character, chiefly representing everyday life, & with happy ending (cf. TRAGEDY); branch of drama concerned with ordinary persons & employing familiar language; life, or an

incident in it, regarded as a spectacle; *Old, Middle, New, C-*, classification of ancient Greek ~, the first farcical & largely political, the last corresponding to modern ~, & the second transitional. [f. F *comédie* f. L f. Gk *kômô*(*idia* f. *kômô*(*idos* f. *kômos* revel, *oidos* singer)] **come**'ly (kūm'ly), a. Pleasant to look at (usu. of personal appearance, sometimes of behaviour or conduct). Hence ~-NESS n. [OE *cýmlic* (*cýme* fine f. WG *kāmi*-, -LY¹)]

com'er (kū-), n. One who comes (usu. qualified, as *first* ~); *all* ~s, any one who applies, takes up a challenge, etc. [ER¹] **comēs'tible**, n. (usu. pl.). Thing to eat. [F, f. LL *comestibilis* (*comest*- var. of *comes*- p.p. st. of L *comedere* eat up)]

côm'et, n. Body with star-like nucleus & train or tail of light moving round sun in elliptical or towards & from it in parabolic course; ~-year, in which conspicuous ~ comes; ~-wine, made in ~-year, supposed of superior quality. Hence ~-ARY¹, **comët'ic**, aa. [f. L f. Gk *komētēs* long-haired (star) f. *komaō* wear hair long (*komē* hair)]

com'fit (kū-), n. Sweetmeat, sugar-plum. [f. OF *confit* f. L *confectum* = *factum* neut. p.p. of *facere* make]

com'fort (kū-), n., & v.t. 1. Relief in affliction, consolation, being consoled; person who consoles one or saves one trouble; cause of satisfaction; conscious well-being, being comfortable; possession of ~s, things that make life easy; *creature* ~s, good food, clothes, etc. 2. v.t. Soothe in grief, console; make comfortable; ~ the king's enemies (arch.), give them aid. [f. OF *confort(er)* f. L *con-fortare* f. *fortis* strong]

com'fortable (kū-), a. Such as to obviate hardship, save trouble, & promote content, ministering to comfort; at ease, free from hardship, pain, & trouble; tranquil, with easy conscience; *the C~ Words*, the four scriptural passages following the Absolution in the Communion Office. Hence **com'fortably**² (kū-) adv. [f. AF *confortable* (prec., -ABLE)] **com'forter** (kū-), n. One who comforts (*the C~*, Holy Ghost; *Job's* ~, professed consoler who depresses); || baby's dummy teat; || woollen scarf. [-ER¹]

com'fortless (kū-), a. Dreary, without provision for comfort. [-LESS]

côm'frey (kū-), n. (pl. ~s). Tall rough-leaved ditch plant with clusters of whitish or purplish bells. [f. OF *confrie* etym. dub.]

com'fy (kū-), a. (colloq.). Comfortable. [abbr.]

côm'ic, a. & n. 1. Of comedy (~ *opera*, with ~ treatment & much spoken dialogue, also mere burlesque set to music);

mirth-provoking, laughable or meant to be so, facetious, burlesque, funny, (~ *song, paper*; ~ *history of Rome* etc.); ~ *strip*, set of drawings, forming part of a series, appearing regularly in a journal, usu. broadly humorous). 2. n. (colloq.). Music-hall comedian (also, in F form, *comique*). Hence ~O- comb. form. [f. L f. Gk *kōmikos* prob. f. *kōmos* revel]

com'ical, a. Mirth-provoking, laughable; odd, queer. Hence ~ITY (-əl) n., ~LY² adv. [as prec. + -AL]

Com'intern, n. Third INTERNATIONAL. [f. first elements of Russ. forms of *Com(munist) Intern(ational)*].

comitād'i, n. Member of band of irregular soldiery in the Balkans. [Turk., ult. f. L as COUNTY]

com'it'y, n. Courtesy; ~ of nations, friendly recognition as far as practicable of each other's laws & usages. [f. L *cōmitas* (*cōmis* courteous)]

comm'a, n. Punctuation-mark (,) of the least separation indicated between parts of sentence, also used to separate figures etc.; (Mus.) definite minute interval or difference of pitch; *inverted* ~s, raised or superior ~s used to begin & end a quotation, the first (or first pair) inverted (he said 'no' or 'no "')"; ~ *bacillus*, ~-shaped found in cholera. [f. L f. Gk *komma* clause (*koptō* cut, -M)]

command'¹ (-ah-), v.t. & i. Order, bid, (*heh*at God ~s, ~s us, ~s us to do, ~s that we should do, ~s to be done; also ellipt., *let us do as God ~s*; & abs., *God ~s & man obeys*); have authority over, control of; be supreme; be in command; be in command of (ship, forces, etc.); ~ *in chief*, be commander-in-chief of, or abs.; restrain, master, (passions, oneself); have at disposal or within reach (sum, skill, person; so *yours* to ~, obediently); deserve & get (sympathy etc.); dominate (strategic position) from superior height, look down over. [f. O] *comander* f. LL COM-(mandare entrust)]

command'² (-ah-), n. Order, bidding, (*word* of ~, customary order for movement in drill; *at* or *by* one's ~, in pursuance of his bidding); || ~ *paper* (usu. abbr. *Cmd*, formerly *Cd*, with register number, as *Cd 5723*), paper laid by ~ of the Crown before Parliament etc.; exercise or tenure of authority, esp. naval or military (*in* ~ of, commanding; *under* ~ of, commanded by); control, mastery, possession, (*great* ~ of language, skill in speech; *at* ~, ready to be used at will; ~ of the *passes* etc.); body of troops etc., district, under commander (*the Nore, Southern, Bomber, C-*); ~ *in-chief*, supreme ~; || ~ *night*, with theatrical etc. performance given by royal ~; || ~ *performance*, theatrical etc. performance given by royal ~; *the Mow(er)* ~. [f. or as prec.]

commandant, n. Commanding officer.

esp. governor of fortress. Hence ~SHIP n. [F (COMMAND¹, -ANT)]

commandeer, v.t. Impress (men), seize (stores), for military service. [f. S.-Afr.-Du. *kommanderen* (-ā-) f. F as prec.]

command'er (-ah-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: C~ of the Faithful, title of Caliph; C~, *Lieut.-C-*, naval OFFICERS; *Wing-C-*, AIR¹-force officer; member of higher class in some Orders of Knighthood; large wooden mallet; C~ *in-Chief*, (Army) of all military land-forces of State, of portion of them quartered in colony, or of expedition in foreign country, (Navy) of all ships on a station. Hence ~SHIP(1) n. [f. OF *comandere* (COMMAND¹, -ER¹)]

command'ing (-ah-), a. In vbl senses; esp.: exalted, impressive, (of persons, looks, ability, etc.); with wide view (of hill, position). [-ING¹]

command'ment (-ah-), n. Divine command (*the ten* ~s, Mosaic decalogue; *eleventh* ~, any precept jestingly classed with these). [f. OF *comandement* (COMMAND¹, -MENT)]

comman'dō (-ah-), n. (pl. ~s). Party called out for military service, body of troops; (C-) British and Imperial shock-troops in the 1939-45 war. [Port., f. *commandar* COMMAND¹, wd used by S.-Afr. Dutch, & familiarized in Boer war]

comme il faut (kōm ēl fō), pred. a. Well-bred. [F]

commem'orāt|e, v.t. Celebrate in speech or writing; preserve in memory by some celebration; (of things) be a memorial of. Hence ~IVE a. [f. L *commemorare* bring to remembrance, see -ATE¹]

commemōrā'tion, n. Act of commemorating; service, part of service, in memory of saint or sacred event; || (Oxford Univ.) annual celebration in memory of founders. [f. L *commemoratio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

commence', v.t. & i. Begin (work, *doing*, to do); (arch.) start, set up, as (lawyer etc.); || take the full degree of (M.A. etc.). [f. OF *cumencer* f. LL ⁺*cominitiare* (see INITIATE)]

commence'ment (-sm-), n. In vbl senses; also, ceremony when degrees of Master & Doctor are conferred at Cambridge, Dublin, & U.S. Univv. [OF (*cumencer*, see prec. & -MENT)]

commend', v.t. Entrust for safe keeping (arch. exc. in ~ one's soul to God, ~ thing to person's care); praise; (arch.) ~ *me lo*, remember me kindly to (person); ~ *me to*, give me by choice (often iron.). [f. L COM(mendare = mandare entrust, see MAN-DARE)]

commen'dab|le, a. Praiseworthy. Hence ~LESS (-h-) n., ~LY² adv. [OF, f. L *commendabilis* (prec., -BLE)]

commen'dam, n. Tenure of benefice in absence of regular incumbent. [med. L (in) *commendam* (deposited) given in trust]

commēndā'tion, n. Praise; act of commending person to another's favour. [OF, f. L *commendationem* (as **COMMEND**, see -ATION)]

commēn'datorŷ, a. Commending, holding, held, in commendam. [f. LL *commendatorius* (as prec., see -ORY)]

commēn'sal, a. & n. (One) who eats at the same table; (animal, plant) living as another's tenant & sharing its food (cf. **PARASITE**). Hence ~ISM, **commēnsāl'-ITY**, nn. [F, f. med. L *com(mensalis f. mensa* table, see -AL)]

commēn'sur'able (-sher-), a. Measurable by the same standard (*with, to*); (of numbers) divisible without remainder by the same quantity; proportionate *to*. Hence ~ABL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv., (-sher-). [f. L *com(mensurabilis*, as **MEASURE**, see -BLE)]

commēn'surate (-sher-), a. Coextensive (*with*); proportionate (*to, with*). Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *com(mensuratus*, prec., -ATE²)]

comm'ent', n. Explanatory note or remark; criticism; (fig., of events etc.) illustration. [OF, = commentary f. L *commentum* device, comment, neut. p.p. of *com(minisci f. root men-* cf. *mens* mind)]

comm'ent', v.i. Write explanatory notes (*upon* a text); make (esp. unfavourable) remarks (*upon*). [f. prec.]

comm'entārŷ, n. Expository treatise; set of running comments on a book or remarks on a speech or performance; comment. [f. L *commentarius* a. (**COMMENT'**, -ARY²)]

commēntā'tion, n. Making of comments. [f. L *commentatio* (*commentari* discuss, frequent. of *comminisci*, see **COMMENT** & -ATION)]

comm'entātōr, n. Writer of commentary; eyewitness whose description of a ceremony, sporting event, etc., is broadcast by wireless. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

comm'erce, n. Exchange of merchandise, esp. on a large scale; **CHAMBER** of ~; intercourse (esp. sexual); card game; ~destroyer, warship harrying enemy's merchant-ships. [F, f. L *com(mercium f. merx mercis* merchandise)]

commērc'ial (-shl), a. & n. Of, engaged in, bearing on, commerce; ~ (*traveller*), trader's agent, showing samples & soliciting orders; || ~room (in hotel for ~travellers). Hence ~ISM, ~IST, (-sha-), ~ITY (-shl'lt), nn., ~IZE v.t., ~LY² adv., (-sha-). [f. L *commercium* **COMMERCE** + -AL]

comminā'tion, n. Threatening of divine vengeance; recital of divine threats against sinners in Anglican Liturgy. [F, f. L *comminationem f. com(minari* threaten), see -ATION]

comm'inatorŷ, a. Threatening, denun-

ciatory. [f. L *comminatorius* (as prec., see -ORY)]

commin'gle (-nggl), v.t. & i. Mingle together. [**COM**]

comm'inūte, v.t. Reduce to small fragments; divide (property) into small portions. So **comminū'tion** n. [f. L *com(minuere -ut-* f. *minor* less)]

commis'erjāte (-z-), v.t. & i. Feel, express, pity for; condole *with*. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a., ~ATIVELY² adv. [f. L *com(miserari f. MISER'*, -ATE²)]

commissār', n. (Former name of) head of a government department of the U.S.S.R. [Russ. *kommisar* f. F *commissaire* (as **COMMISSARY**)]

commissār'ial, a. Of a commissary. [-AL]

commissār'iat, n. Department (esp. Mil.) for supply of food etc.; a department of the Soviet Republic Civil Service. [as foll., see -ATE¹]

comm'issarŷ, n. Deputy, delegate; representative of a bishop in part of his diocese, or of absent bishop; officer charged with supply of food etc. for body of soldiers; C~ general, chief ~, esp. (Mil.) chief of a commissariat service. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. med. L *commissarius* person in charge (**COMMIT**, -ARY¹)]

commi'ssion' (-shn), n. 1. Command, instruction; authority, body of persons having authority, to act; || ~of the peace, (authority given to) Justices of the Peace; on the ~, having this. 2. Warrant conferring authority, esp. that of officers in the army, navy, and air force from lieutenant or pilot officer upwards. 3. In ~, (of persons) having delegated authority, (of an office) placed by warrant in charge of a body of persons instead of the constitutional administrator, (of ship of war) manned, armed, & ready for sea. 4. Entrusting of authority etc. to a person; charge, matter, entrusted to person to perform. 5. Authority to act as agent for another in trade, as *have goods on ~*; pay of a ~agent, percentage on amount involved. 6. Committing (of crime etc.); || ~day, opening day of assizes, when judge's ~ is read. [F, f. L *commissionem* (as prec., -ION)]

commi'ssion' (-shn), v.t. Empower by commission; give (officer) command of ship; order (ship) for active service; (of officer) assume command of (ship); give (artist etc.) a commission for piece of work. [f. prec.]

commissionaire' (-shonā), n. || Member of the corps of C~s organized in London for employment as messengers etc.; uniformed door attendant at theatres, cinemas, large shops, etc. [as **COMMISSIONER**]

commi'ssioned (-shond), a. Authorized;

(of officers) holding rank by commission; (of ships) put in commission. [-ED¹]
commis'sioner (-sho-), n. One appointed by commission; member of a commission, esp. of government boards etc., as *Charity, Civil Service, C-*; representative of supreme authority in a district, department, etc.; *High C-*, chief representative in London of a British Dominion or of India. Hence *-SHIP* n. [f. F *commissioinaire* f. med. L *commissarius* (COMMISSION, -ARY¹)]
comm'issure, n. Junction, seam; joint between two bones; line where lips, eyelids, meet; bands of nerve substance connecting hemispheres of brain, two sides of spinal cord, etc. So **commis-sure** AL a. [f. L *commisura* junction (as foll., see -URE)]
commit', v.t. (-tt-). Entrust, consign, for treatment or safe keeping (to person, his care, his judgement, to writing, memory, earth, the flames); ~ (to prison), consign officially to custody; refer (bill) to committee; perpetrate (crime, blunder), whence ~t'ABLE a.; compromise, involve, (character, honour, oneself); bind oneself to (a course). Hence ~t'AL n. (~ting to prison, reference to committee, ~ting of oneself), ~MENT n. (esp., engagement that restricts freedom of action). [f. L *com(mittere miss- send)* join, entrust]
committ'ee (-ti), n. Body of persons appointed for special function by (& usu. out of) a (usu. larger) body, as (Parl.) *C- of Supply, Ways & Means, House resolves itself into a C-, goes into C-, is in C-, C- of the whole House; Standing C-* (permanent during existence of appointing body); *Joint C-* (of members nominated by different bodies); ~man, member of a ~; (Law, pron. kômité') person entrusted with charge, as ~s for lunatics. [late AF, for F *commis* p.p. of *commettre*, as prec.]
commix', v.t. & i. (arch., poet.). Mix. So ~TURE n. [back-formation on *commixt*, see MIX]
commode', n. Chest of drawers; chiffonier; (esp. *night-*) close-stool. [F, f. L *com(modus measure) convenient*]
commôd'ious, a. Roomy; (arch.) handy. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *commodieux*, -euse, f. med. L *commodiosus* irreg. f. L *commodum* (neut. adj. as n.), see prec.]
commôd'ity, n. Useful thing; article of trade (*staple* ~); (arch.) convenience. [f. F *commodité* f. L *commoditatem* (COM-MODE, -TY)]
comm'odore, n. Naval officer above captain and below rear-admiral (in Brit. navy a temporary rank); *Air C-*, officer of AIR¹ Force; (courtesy title) senior captain when three or more ships cruise together, captain of pilots, president of

yacht-club; senior captain of a shipping line; ~s ship. [17th c. (-mand-) f. L *commandator* COMMANDER]
comm'on¹, a. (-er, -est). 1. Belonging equally to, coming from, or done by, more than one, as *our ~ humanity, ~ cause, ~ consent*. 2. Belonging to, open to, affecting the public, as ~ *crier, jail, alehouse, nuisance, scold*. 3. Of ordinary occurrence, as a ~ *experience* (~ or garden, al., of the familiar kind); ordinary, of ordinary qualities, as ~ *honesty, no ~ mind*; without rank or position, as ~ *soldier, the ~ people*; of the most familiar type, as *C- Nightshade, Snake*. 4. Of inferior quality; vulgar. 5. (Math.) belonging to two or more quantities, as ~ *factor, multiple*; (Gram.) ~ *noun*, name applicable to any one of a class, ~ *gender, masculine or feminine*; (Pros.) of variable quantity; (Mus.) ~ *time, measure*, (two or four beats in bar), ~ *CHORD*. 6. ~ *ground*, basis for argument etc. accepted by both sides; ~ *law*, unwritten law of England, administered by the King's courts, purporting to be derived from ancient usage; ~ *metre*, hymn stanza of 4 lines (with 8, 6, 8, 6 syllables); *Court of C- Pleas* (for trial of civil causes, abolished 1875); *C- Prayer*, liturgy set forth in Book of C. P. of Edward VI; || ~ *room* (at Oxford), room to which fellows retire after dinner; ~ *sense*, normal understanding, good practical sense in everyday affairs, general feeling (of mankind or community), *philosophy of ~ sense* (accepting primary beliefs of mankind as ultimate criterion of truth); ~ *weal*, ~ *weal*, arch., public welfare, (also) = COMMONWEALTH. Hence ~NESS (-n-n-) n. [f. OF *comun* f. L *communis* (COM- + *munis* bound, obliged, or + *unus* one)]
comm'on², n. Land belonging to a community, esp. unenclosed waste land; (*right of*) ~, a man's right over another's land, as ~ *of pasturage*; out of the ~, unusual; in ~, in joint use, shared; in ~ *with*, in the same way as (*in ~ with all sensible people I hold that...*) [prec. as n.]
comm'onable, a. (Of animals) that may be pastured on common land; (of land) that may be held in common. [f. obs. vb *common* f. OF *comuner* (as COMMON¹) + *-ABLE*]
comm'onage, n. Right of common; land, condition of land, held in common; commonalty. [-AGE]
comm'onalty, n. The common people; general body (of mankind etc.); body corporate. [f. OF *comunalté* f. *comunat* f. L *communalis* (commune neut. adj. as n., see COMMON¹ & -AL), see -TY]
|| comm'oner, n. One of the common people (below rank of peer); (rarely) member of House of Commons, esp. the *great C-*, elder Wm Pitt, *First C-*, the *Speaker*; (at Oxford University) student

not on foundation; one who has right of common. [COMMON¹ & obs. vb *common* (see COMMONABLE) + -ER¹]

comm'oney, n. Inferior playing-marble. [COMMON¹ + -Y¹]

comm'only, adv. Usually; to an ordinary degree, as ~ *honest*; meanly, cheaply. [-LY²]

comm'onplace¹, n. & a. 1. Notable passage, entered for use in a ~-book; ordinary topic; everyday saying; platitude; anything common or trite. 2. adj. Lacking originality, trite. Hence ~NESS (-n-) n. [= L. *locus communis* = Gk *koínos* *topos* general theme.]

comm'onplace², v.t. & i. Extract commonplaces from; enter in commonplace-book; utter commonplaces. [f. prec.]

comm'ons (-z), n. pl. The common people; third estate in English or other similar constitution, represented by Lower House of Parliament (*House of C~*); provisions shared in common; common table, as DOCTORS' COMMONS; || (Oxf., Camb.) definite portion of food supplied at fixed charge; daily fare, as *short* ~. [pl. of COMMON²]

comm'onwealth (-wél-), n. Body politic, independent community; republic (also fig., as ~ of *learning*); republican government in England, 1649-60; title of federated Australian States; *British C~ of Nations*, (term coined by Gen. Smuts in 1919 for) British Empire; company of actors sharing receipts; (formerly) public welfare. [COMMON¹ + WEALTH, cf. F *bien public*, l. *res publica*]

commo'tion, n. Physical disturbance; bustle, confusion; tumult, insurrection. [f. OF *comocion* f. L *commotionem* (as foll., see -ION)]

commove' (-dov), v.t. Move violently (lit. & fig.); excite. [f. F *commouvoir* f. L *commovere* (mot- move)]

comm'unal, a. Of a commune; of the Paris Commune; of the commonalty, of or for the community, for the common use; (India) of the antagonistic religious and racial communities in a district (~ *voting*, *elections*, *disturbances*, etc.). [F, f. med. L *communalis* (as COMMUNE, see -AL)]

comm'unalism, n. Theory of government by local autonomy. So ~IST n., ~is'tic a. [prec. + -ISM]

comm'unalize, v.t. Make (thing) the property of a local community. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

comm'üne¹, n. French territorial division, smallest for administrative purposes; similar division elsewhere; *The C~ (of Paris)*, (1) usurping body during the Reign of Terror, (2) communalistic government in 1871. [F, f. med. L *communa* f. LL *communia* (neut. pl. adj. as *nom.*), see COMMON¹]

commüne² (or kôm-), v.i. Hold intimate intercourse (with person, one's own heart, *together*); *receive Holy Communion. [f. OF *comunier* (as COMMON¹)]

commün'icable, a. That can be imparted; communicative. Hence ~ABLEITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [prob. F (as foll., see -BLE)]

commün'icant, n. One who (esp. regularly) receives Holy Communion; one who imparts information. [as foll., see -ANT]

commün'icâte, v.t. & i. Impart, transmit, (heat, motion, feeling, news, a discovery, to); share (a thing) with; receive, administer, Holy Communion; hold intercourse with; (of rooms etc.) have common door (with). [f. L *communicare* (as COMMON¹ + -ic- factitive suff.), see -ATE¹]

commün'icâtion, n. Act of imparting (esp. news); information given; intercourse; common door or passage or road or rail or telegraph or other connexion between places, (Mil., pl.) connexion between base & front. [f. OF *communication* f. L *communicationem* (prec., -ATION)]

commün'icâtive, a. Ready to impart; open, talkative. Hence ~IVY² adv., ~NESS n. [F (-if, -ive), as COMMUNICATE, see -IVE]

commün'icâtor, n. Person, thing, that communicates; part of telegraph instrument used in sending message; contrivance for communicating with guard or driver of train. [L (as prec., see -OR¹)]

commün'ion (-yon), n. Sharing, participation; fellowship (esp. between branches of Catholic Church); body professing one faith; intercourse; participation in Lord's Supper (also *Holy C~*); *close*, *open*, ~, exclusion from, admission to, ~ of persons not baptized according to Baptist principles; ~-cloth, -cup (used at Holy C~); ~-rail (in front of ~-table in some churches); ~-table (used for Holy C~). [F, f. L *communio* (as COMMON¹, see -ION)]

commün'ionist (-yon-), n. *Close*, *open*, ~, adherent of close, open, communion; *fellow*~, member of same communion. [-IST]

communiqué (see Ap.), n. Official intimation. [F]

comm'ün'ism, n. Vesting of property in the community, each member working according to his capacity and receiving according to his wants. Hence ~IST n., ~is'tic a. [f. L as COMMON¹ + -ISM]

commünitâr'ian, n. Member of community practising communism. [-ARIAN]

commün'ity, n. Joint ownership, as ~ of goods; identity of character; fellowship (~ of interest etc.; also attrib., as ~ *singing*, in which all present join);

organized political, municipal, or social body; body of men living in same locality; body of men having religion, profession, etc., in common, as the *mercantile ~*, the *Jewish ~*; the ~, the public; monastic, socialistic, or other, body practising ~ of goods. [f. OF *communeté* f. L *communitatem* (as COMMON¹, see -TY)]

commūniz'e, v.t. Make (land etc.) common property. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L as COMMON¹ + -IZE]

commūt'able, a. Exchangeable; that can be compounded for. Hence ~ABILITY n. [f. L *commutabilis* (as foll., see -BLE)]

commūtā'tion, n. Commuting; money paid by way of ~; C~ Act (for ~ of titles in England, 1836); *~ ticket, season ticket. [f. f. L *commutationem* (as foll., see -ATION)]

commūt'ative (also *kōm'ūtāt-*), a. Relating to or involving substitution. [f. med. L *commutativus* (as foll., see -ATIVE)]

commūtātor, n. Person, thing, that commutes; contrivance for altering course of electric current. [as foll., see -OR²]

commūt'e, v.t. & i. Interchange (two things); buy off (one obligation) by (for, into) another; change (punishment into another less severe); change (one kind of payment into, for, another); *buy and use a season (*commutation*) ticket for travelling, esp. daily to and from work in a city, whence *~EE n. [f. L *commutare* exchange]

comōse, a. Having a COMA²; hairy, downy. [f. L *comosus* (COMA², see -OSE¹)]

cōm'pact¹, n. Agreement between parties; *general ~*, common consent; FAMILY, SOCIAL, ~. [f. L *COM(pacti) pact-covenant*]

compāct², a. & n. 1. Closely or neatly packed together; (of style) condensed, terse. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. (*kōm'pakt*). Miniature flat vanity case, or refill for it. [f. L *COM(pingere) pack=pangere fasten*]

compāct³, v.t. Join firmly together; condense; make up, compose, (of). [f. prec.]

compā'gēs, n. Framework, complex structure (lit. & fig.). [L *COM(pages) f. pangere fix*]

compā'glināte, v.t. Join firmly together. So ~ACTION n. [f. LL *compaginare compago-ginis*=prec., see -ATE²]

compān'ion¹ (-yon), n., & v.t. & i. One who accompanies another; associate in, sharer of, as ~ in arms, fellow-soldier, ~ of his retreat; title of handbooks, as *Gardener's C~*; || member of lowest grade of order of knighthood, as C~ of the Bath; C~ of Honour (of the order of C~s of Honour); person (usu. woman) paid to live with another; thing that matches another (also adj., as ~ volume); (v.t.)

accompany; (v.i.) consort with. Hence ~ATE² a. (~ade marriage, marriage with legalized birth-control & provision for divorce by mutual consent). [f. OF *compaignon* f. LL *COM(pañionem) f. panis bread*; vb f. n.]

compān'ion² (-yon), n. (naut.). Raised frame on quarter-deck for lighting cabins etc. below; ~ hatch, wooden covering over ~way; ~ hatchway, opening in deck leading to cabin; ~ ladder (from deck to cabin); ~way, staircase to cabin. [cf. Du. *kompanje*, It. (*camera della*) *compagna* storeroom = LL *COMPANATICUM (panis bread)*]

compān'ionable (-nyo-), a. Sociable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~LENESS (-ln-) n. [COM-PANION¹ + -ABLE]

compān'ionship (-nyo-) n. State of being companion(s); (Printing) company of compositors working together. [-SHIP]

com'paný (kūm-), n., & v.t. & i. Companionship; in ~, not alone; bear, keep, a person ~, accompany him; part ~ (with), part (from); weep for ~ (because one's companion weeps); keep ~, associate as lovers; number of persons assembled; one's usual associates, as *addicted to low ~*; he is good, bad, ~ (a pleasant, dull, companion); social party; guests; I sin in good ~, better men have done the same; ~ manners, the artificial behaviour put on before strangers; body of persons combined for common (esp. commercial) object, as JOINT² Stock C~, || Limited Liability C~ (liability of each member limited usu. to amount subscribed by him), John C~ (East India C~); partner(s) not named in title of firm, as *Smith & Co.*; party of players; subdivision of infantry battalion usu. commanded by major or captain (cf. TROOP, BATTERY; ~ officer, captain or lower commissioned officer; ~ sergeant-major, senior non-comd officer of ~); unit of R.A.S.C., R.E., etc.; ship's ~, entire crew; (v.t., arch.) accompany; (v.i.) consort with. [(vb f. OF *compaignier* f. OF *compaignie* formed on *compaignon* COMPANION¹)]

cōm'parable, a. That can be compared (with); fit to be compared (to). [F. f. L *comparabilis* (as COMPARE¹, see -BLE)]

compā'rative, a. & n. 1. Of or involving comparison, as the ~ method, esp. of sciences, as ~ anatomy; (Gram.) ~ adjective, adverb, one in the ~ degree, expressing a higher degree of the quality denoted by the simple word; estimated by comparison, as the ~ merits of; perceptible by comparison, as in ~ comfort. 2. n. ~ degree. Hence ~LY¹ (-vi-) adv. [f. L *comparativus* (foll., -ATIVE)]

compā're¹, v.t. & i. Liken, pronounce similar, (to), esp. with negative, as *not to be ~d to*; estimate the similarity of (one thing with, to, another; two things

together); observe the similarity or relation between (passages of book etc.; abbr. cp.); ~ notes, exchange views; (Gram.) form comparative & superlative degrees of (adjective, adverb); (v.i.) bear comparison, as *no lady can ~ with Sally*. [f. L. *comparare* (par equal)]

compare², n. Comparison, as *beyond, without, past*, ~. [f. prec.; prob. arising f. obs. *compare* = *COMPETE*, misunderstood in *without* ~]

compá'ri'son, n. Act of comparing; simile, illustration; *in ~ with*, compared to; *degrees of ~*, positive, comparative, superlative, (of adjectives & adverbs). [f. OF *comparaison* f. L. *comparationem* (as *COMPARE*¹, see -SON)]

compár't, v.t. Divide into compartments. [f. L. *compartiri* (pars partis part)]

compár'tment, n. Division separated by partitions esp. of railway carriage; water-tight division of ship; || (Pol.) separate portion of a bill, or business in hand, for discussion of which a limit of parliamentary time is allotted by Government. [f. F *compartiment* f. LL *compartimentum* (as prec., see -MENT)]

com'pass¹ (kûm-), n. (Pair of) ~es, instrument for describing circles, with two legs connected at one end by movable joint; *beam-~es* (with sliding sockets, for large circles); *bow-~es* (with legs jointed to bend inwards); circumference, boundary; area, extent, (also fig., as *beyond my ~*); range of a voice; roundabout way, as *fetch, go, a ~*; instrument showing magnetic meridian or one's direction with respect to it (*Mariner's ~*); *box ~ the ~*; ~plane (convex, for planing concave surfaces); ~saw (with narrow blade, for curves); ~window, semicircular bay window. [f. F *compas* f. med. L. *compassus* pair of compasses (perh. *passus* step); sense-history of *compassus* and vb *compassare* is obscure]

com'pass² (kûm-), v.t. Go round; hem in; grasp mentally; contrive; accomplish. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *compasser* measure, contrive, f. L. *compassare*, see prec.]

compá'ssion (-shn), n. Pity inclining one to spare or help, as *have ~ on us*. [F, f. LL *compassionem* f. COM(pati pass- suffer), see -ION]

compá'ssionate¹ (-sho-), a. Sympathetic, pitying; || ~ allowance (granted when an ordinary pension or allowance is not admissible under official rules); || ~ leave (granted out of compassion). Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. F *compassionné* p.p. of *compassionner* (as prec.), -ARE¹]

compá'ssioná'te² (-sho-), v.t. Regard, treat, with compassion. [f. prec.]

compá'ssible, a. Consistent, able to co-exist, etc. Hence or cogn. ~HE/TRY n.,

~BLY² adv. [F, f. med. L. *compatibilis* (COMpati suffer with, -BLE)]

compá'tríot, n. Fellow-countryman. Hence ~ÓTÍO a. [f. F *compatriote* f. L. COM(patriota PATRIOT)]

compeer¹, n. Equal, peer; comrade; [f. OF COM(per FEER²)]

compél', v.t. (-ll-). Constrain, force, (to do, to a course); bring about (an action) by force, as ~ submission; (poet.) drive forcibly. Hence ~L'ABLE a. [f. OF *compeller* f. L. COM(pellere puls- drive)]

com'pend, n. = COMPENDIUM.

compén'dious, a. Brief but comprehensive (of works & authors). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *compendieux* f. L. *compendiosus* (foll., see -OUS)]

compén'dium, n. (pl. -ums, -a). Abridgement; summary; abstract. [L, lit. what is weighed together f. COM(pendere weigh)]

compénsát'e, v.t. & i. 1. Counter-balance; make amends (for thing, to person, with, by, another thing, or abs.); recompense (person for thing). 2. (Mech.) provide (pendulum etc.) with mechanical compensation. Hence **compén'sative** a. & n., ~OR² n., **compén'satory** a. [f. L. COM(pensare frequent. of *pendere pens- weigh*)]

compénsá'tion, n. Compensating; thing given as recompense; ~-balance, ~-pendulum, of chronometer (neutralizing effect of temperature). Hence ~AL a. [f. L. *compensatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

com'père (-pür), n. Organizer of cabaret or broadcast entertainment who introduces the artistes, comments on the turns, etc. [F, = gossip]

compète¹, v.i. Strive (with another for thing, in doing, or abs.); vie (with another in a quality). [f. L. COM(petere -tit- seek), in class. L. = coincide, be fitting]

com'pétence, -cý, nn. Sufficiency of means for living, easy circumstances; ability (to do, for a task); (of court, magistrate, etc.) legal capacity, right to take cognizance. [f. F *compétence* f. L. *competentia* (as prec., see -ENCE, -ENCY)]

com'pétent, a. Properly qualified (to do, for a task); legally qualified (judge, court, witness); (of things) belonging, permissible, to, as *it was ~ to him to refuse*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *compétent* (as COMPETE, see -ENT)]

compétít'ion, n. Act of competing (for), by examination, in market, etc.; (Anglo-Ind.) ~wallah, member of I.C.S. chosen by ~. [f. L. *competitio* (as foll., see -ION)]

compétít'ive, a. Of, by, offered for, competition. Hence ~LY² (-vÍ-) adv. [f. L. (as COMPETE, see -IVE)]

compétít'ior, n. One who competes, rival. Hence ~ORY a., ~RESS² n. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

cômpilâ'tion, n. Compiling; thing compiled. [F, f. L *compilationem* (foll. -ATION)]

cômpîlê', v.t. Collect (materials) into a volume; make up (volume) of such materials; (Cricket sl.) score (so many runs). [f. F *compiler* (perh.) f. L *compilare* plunder (*pilare* thrust home or *pilare* plunder)]

complâ'cence, -cÿ, nn. Tranquil pleasure; self-satisfaction. [f. med. L *complacentia*, whence F *complaisance*, f. L *com(placere)* please, see -ENCE, -ENCY]

complâ'cent, a. Self-satisfied. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L as prec., see -ENT]

complain', v.i. Express dissatisfaction with (of); announce that one is suffering from (of a headache etc.); state a grievance (to an authority of offender or offence), whence ~ANT (1) n., plaintiff in certain suits; (poet.) emit mournful sound. [f. F *complaindre* (st. -aign-) f. L *com(plangere)* *placēt* beat the breast bewail]

complaint', n. Utterance of grievance; formal accusation; *plaintiff's case in civil action; subject, ground, of ~; bodily ailment. [f. F *complainte* f. LL fem. p.p. as prec.]

cômplais'ance' (-pliz-; or kôm'), n. Obligingness, politeness; deference. So ~ANT² a. [F (see COMPLACENCE)]

côm'plément¹, n. That which completes; (Gram.) ~ of (words completing) the predicate; full number required to man ship, fill conveyance, etc.); (Math.) ~ of an angle, its deficiency from 90° (cf. SUPPLEMENT). Hence **cômplémén'tal** a., **cômplémén'tal'y** adv. [f. L *complementum* (COMPLETE¹, -MENT)]

cômplément'², v.t. Complete, form complement to. [f. prec.]

cômplémén'tarý, a. Serving to complete; ~ angles (making up 90°); ~ COLOURS, [-ARY²]

complète'¹, a. Having all its parts, entire; finished; unqualified, as ~ surprise; (arch. of persons) accomplished, as ~ horseman. Hence ~LY¹ (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *completus* p.p. of *complere* fill up]

complète'², v.t. Finish; make whole or perfect; make up the amount of. So **complétion** n., **complét'ive** a. [f. prec.]

côm'plêx¹, n. Complex whole; (Psych.) kind of mental abnormality set up by suppressed tendencies or experience; obsession. [f. L *complexus* -us (as foll.)]

côm'plêx², a. Consisting of parts, composite; complicated; ~ sentence, one containing subordinate clause(s). Hence **complêx'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *com(plectere)* *plex* (plait) embrace]

complê'xior' (-kahn), n. Natural colour, texture, & appearance, of the skin (esp. of face); (fig.) character, aspect, as *his*

conduct wears another ~. Hence -ED¹ (-kshond), ~LESS, aa. [F, f. L *complexionem* (as prec., see -ION); orig. = combination of supposed qualities determining nature of a body]

complî'ance, n. Action in accordance with request, command, etc.; in ~ with, according to (wish etc.); base submission. [COMPLY, -ANCE]

complî'ant, a. Disposed to comply, yielding. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ANT]

côm'plicacý, n. Complexity; complicated structure. [f. L as foll., see -ACY]

côm'plicacé, v.t. Mix up (with other things); make intricate (esp. in p.p.). [f. L *com(plicare)* fold, see -ATE²]

cômplicâ'tion, n. Involved condition; entangled state of affairs; complicating circumstance, as *here is a further* ~. [f. L *complicatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

complî'city, n. Partnership in an evil action. [f. L *com(plex)-plicitis* f. *plíc*-fold, see -TY]

côm'pliment¹, n. Polite expression of praise, as *pay, make, a* ~; act implying praise; (pl.) formal greetings, as *make, pay, send*, one's ~s, (as accompaniment to message, note, present, etc.) *with Mr —'s ~s*; ~s of (greetings appropriate to) the season; (arch.) gift, gratuity. Hence ~ARY¹ (-ên') a. [F, f. It. *complimento* f. Sp. *cumplimiento* fulfilment of the duties of courtesy f. L as COMPLEMENT¹; cf. COMPLY]

cômplicmênt'², v.t. Pay a compliment to (person on thing); present (person with thing) as mark of courtesy. [f. F *complimenter* (prec.)]

côm'plîn(e), n. (Eccl.) last service of the day. [ME *complie* f. OF *comple* f. L *completa* (hora) see COMPLETE; -in unexplained; mod. E often uses pl., after F *complies*; -e is mod.]

comply', v.i. Act in accordance (with wish, command, etc., or abs.). [f. It. *complire* f. Sp. *cumplir* COMPLETE, cf. COMPLIMENT]

côm'pô, n. (pl. -os). Abbr. of COMPOSITION, esp. = stucco, plaster.

compôn'ent, a. & n. 1. Contributing to the composition of a whole. 2. n. ~ part. [f. L *com(ponere)* put, -ENT]

compôrt', v.t. & i. Conduct, behave, oneself; ~ with, suit, befit. [f. L *com(portare)* carry]

compôse' (-z), v.t. (Of elements) make up, constitute, (esp. pass., be ~ed of); construct in words, produce in literary form, (poem etc., or abs.); (Mus.) invent & put into proper form; set (words) to music; (Print.) set up (type) to form words & blocks of words, set up (article etc.) in type; put together, arrange, artistically; adjust (dispute etc.); arrange in specified or understood manner, or for specified purpose, as ~e yourself to write, ~e your countenance, ~e your

thoughts for action; tranquillize (oneself, passions, etc.), esp. in p.p., whence ~'ediv² adv., ~'edness n., (-z-). [f. F *composer* f. LL *pausare* cease, lie or lay down, see POSE; confused with & replacing in compounds *pondre* f. L *ponere* posit-place]

compôs'er (-z-), n. One who composes (usu. music). [prec. + -ER¹]

compôs'ing (-z-), n. In vbl senses; ~-machine (for setting up type); ~-stick, metal instrument of adjustable width in which type is set. [-ING¹]

côm'posite (-zi- or -zl-), a. & n. (Thing) made up of various parts; (Archit.) fifth classical order, Ionic & Corinthian mixed; (plant) of the Natural Order *Compositae*, in which the so-called flower is a head of many flowers (as daisy, dandelion, etc.); (of ships) built of both wood and iron; || ~ (railway) carriage, one with compartments of different classes; ~ candle (of stearic acid & stearin of coco-nut oil); ~ photograph (produced by accurately superimposing several portrait-heads). Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [f. L *com(ponere posit-)* put]

cômpos'ition (-z-), n. 1. Act of putting together; formation, construction; formation of words into a compound word; construction of sentences, art of literary production; act, art, of composing music; setting up of type. 2. Mental constitution, as a touch of madness in his ~. 3. Arrangement (of the parts of a picture etc.); thing composed, mixture; piece of music or writing. 4. Agreement for cessation of hostilities; compromise. 5. Compound artificial substance, esp. one serving the purpose of a natural one (often attrib., as ~ billiard-balls. 6. Agreement for payment of sum in lieu of larger sum or other obligation, as made a ~ with his creditors. [F, f. L *compositionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

compôs'itive (-z-), a. Combining. [f. L *compositivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

compôs'itor (-z-), n. Type-setter. [f. AF *compositour* f. L *compositorem* (as prec., see -OR²)]

côm'pôs (mên'tis), a. In one's right mind; non ~, not in one's right mind. [L] **cômpos'sible**, a. Able to coexist (with). [F, f. med. L *compossibilis* POSSIBLE]

côm'pôst¹, n. Compound manure; combination. [OF, f. L as COMPOSITE]

côm'pôst², v.t. Treat with, make into, compost. [f. OF *composer* (prec.)]

compô'sure (-zher), n. Tranquil demeanour, calmness. [f. COMPOSE + -URE]

cômputa'tion, n. Tipping together. So **côm'putâtôr**¹ n. [f. L *computatio* f. *com(putare drink)* see -ATION]

côm'pôte, n. Fruit preserved in syrup. [F, f. OF *compote* f. L fem. p.p. as *compositus*]

compound¹, v.t. & i. 1. Mix (ingredients, lit. & fig.); combine (verbal elements) into a word; make up (a composite whole). 2. Settle (matter by mutual concession, debt by partial payment, subscription by lump sum, or abs.). 3. Condone (liability, offence) for money etc.; ~ a felony, forbear prosecution on private motive. 4. v.i. Come to terms (with person for forgoing claim etc. for offence). Hence ~able a. [ME *compounen* f. OF *compondre* f. L *com(ponere)* put], whence obs. *compone*]

côm'pound², a. & n. 1. Made up of several ingredients; consisting of several parts; combined, collective; ~ fracture (complicated with skin wound); ~ addition, subtraction, etc. (dealing with various denominations); ~ interest¹; (Zool., Bot.) consisting of a combination of organisms, or simple parts, as ~ animal, ~ flower; || ~ householder (whose rates are paid by landlord & included in rent). 2. n. Mixture of elements, ~ thing, esp. ~ word. [orig. p.p. of *compoun*, see prec.]

côm'pound³, n. (In India, China, etc.) enclosure in which house or factory stands. [perh. f. Malay *kampung*]

cômpradôr¹, n. (In China) chief native servant in European house of business. [Port., = buyer, f. LL *comparatorem* f. *com(parare)* furnish, see -OR²]

cômprê'hënd¹, v.t. Grasp mentally, understand, (person, thing); include, take in. [f. L *com(prehendere -hens-grasp)*]

cômprê'hên'sible, a. That may be understood; that may be comprised. Hence ~ibly¹ n., ~ibly² adv. [f. L *comprehensibilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

cômprê'hên'sion (-shn), n. Act, faculty, of understanding; inclusive power, as a term of wide ~; toleration of divergent opinions (esp. Eccl.). [f. L *comprehensio* (as prec., see -ION)]

cômprê'hên'sive, a. Of understanding, as ~ faculty; including much, as ~ term, ~ grasp (fig. & lit.). Hence ~ly² (-vly) adv., ~ness (-vn-) n. [f. L *comprehensivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

comprêss¹, v.t. Squeeze together; condense (air, language, thoughts). Hence ~ive a. [f. OF *compresser* f. L *compressare* f. *com(primere press- = premere)* press]

côm'prêss², n. Soft pad of lint etc. for compressing artery etc.; piece of wet cloth covered with waterproof bandage, for relief of inflammation. [f. F *compresse* f. L fem. p.p. as prec.]

comprêss³ible, a. That may be compressed. Hence ~ibly¹ n. [*compress* + -IBLE, as if on L *comprimere*, not *compressare*]

compré'ssion (-shn), *n.* Squeezing together, condensation, (lit. & fig.). So **compress'or** *n.* [F. *f. L. compressionem* (as COMPRESS', see -ION)]

comprisé' (-z), *v.t.* Include, comprehend; consist of, as *the house ~es 9 bedrooms etc.*; condense (*within limits etc.*). Hence ~'ABLE (-z) *a.* [f. *F. comprendre* (p.p. *compris*) f. *L.* as COMPREHEND, prob. after ENTERPRISE]

com'promise ¹ (-z), *n.* Settlement of dispute by mutual concession; adjustment of (*between*) conflicting opinions, courses, etc., by modification of each. [f. *F. compromis* f. *L. COM(promitters PROMISE)*]

com'promise ² (-z), *v.t. & i.* Settle (dispute) by mutual concession; (*v.i.*) make a compromise; bring (person, oneself) under suspicion by indiscreet action. [f. prec.]

comprovin'cial (-shl), *a. & n.* (Person, esp. bishop) of the same (esp. archiepiscopal) province. [f. med. *L. com-provincialis* (COM-, PROVINCE, -AL)]

comptroll'er (kont-), *n.* Mis-spelling of CONTROLLER in some titles, as *O~ of accounts*.

compul'sion (-shn), *n.* Constraint, obligation; *under, upon, ~*, because one is compelled. [F. *f. L. compulsio* (as COMPEL, see -ION)]

compul'sive, *a.* Tending to compel. Hence ~LY *adv.* [f. *L.* as COMPEL, -IVE]

compul'sory, *a.* (Of action, agent) enforced; compelling (~y legislation etc., opp. *permissive*). Hence ~ILY *adv.*, ~INESS *n.* [as prec., -ORY]

compunc'tion, *n.* Pricking of conscience; slight regret, scruple, as *without ~ion*. Hence ~TIOUS (-shus) *a.*, ~IOUSLY ¹ (-shus-) *adv.* [OF, f. *L. compunctionem* f. *COM(pungere punct- prick)*, see -ION]

compurgá'tion, *n.* Clearing from a charge, vindication, esp. (Eng. Hist.) trial & purgation by oath. So **com'purgá'tor** ² *n.*, **compurgá'tory** *a.* [f. *L. compurgatio* f. *COM(purgare purify)* see -ATION]

compút'e', *v.t.* Reckon (number or amount often *at figure, that, or abs.*). So ~ABLE (or *kóm'*), ~ATIVE (or *kóm'*), *aa.*, **compútá'tion** *n.* [f. *F. computer* f. *L. COM(putare reckon)*]

comrade (kúm'rid, kó-), *n.* Mate or fellow in work or play or fighting, equal with whom one is on familiar terms, (usu. of males, of. *companion*); (as prefix) fellow member of trade union, benefit society, etc. (*O~ Smith*). Hence ~SHIP (-dsh-) *n.* [f. *F. camarade* f. Sp. *camarada* chamber-mate, lit. *chamberful* (*camara* room f. *L. camera*, see -ADE); -o- prob. to repr. sound of Sp. *a*].

* **Cóm'stöckery**, *n.* Opposition to naked realism in art or literature. [A. *Comstock*, U.S. neo-Puritan (d. 1915)]

Cóm't'ism, *n.* = POSITIVISM. So ~IST *n.* [Auguste Comte, founder (d. 1857), + -ISM]

cón' (-nn-), *v.t. ~* (*over*), study, learn by heart. [Earlier spelling and pron. *cun*, a differentiation of *CAN'* (pres. st. *cun-*)]

cón', ***Cónn**, *v.t. (-nn-)*. Direct steering of (ship, or abs.); *conning-tower*, armoured pilot-house of warship, superstructure of submarine from which steering, firing, etc., are directed when it is on or near the surface. [perh. weakened form of *cond, conduc*, f. *F. conduire* f. *L. conducere CONDUCT v.*]

cón', prep. (It.). With (esp. Mus.), as ~ *brio* (spirit), *espressione* (expression), *fuoco* (fire), *moto* (spirited movement).

cón'. See CONTRA.

***cón'**, *n.*, & *v.t.* (In attrib. use) confidence (~y game, CONFIDENCE trick); (*v.t.*) swindle, dupe. [abbr.]

con-, pref. = *L. cum* (see COM-) before *c d f g j l m n p q s t v*.

cón'acre (-ker) *n.* (In Ireland) letting by tenant of small portions of land prepared for crop. [COBN' + ACRE]

cón amór'é, *adv.* Zealously. [It.]

coná'tion, *n.* (philos.). The exertion of willing that desire or aversion shall issue in action. Hence **cón'ative** *a.* [f. *L. conationem* (*conari* to try)]

concat'ená'te (-n-k-), *v.t.* Link together (fig.). So ~'ATION *n.* f. *L. CON(catenare f. catena chain)*, see -ATE²

cónc'ave, *a. & n.* With outline or surface curved like interior of circle or sphere (cf. CONVEX); (*n.*) ~ surface, esp. vault of heaven. Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-vl-) *adv.*, **concáv'ity** *n.* [F. f. *L. CON(cavus hollow)*]

concáv'ö-, in comb. Concavely, concave & ~, as ~concave, concave on both sides, ~convex, concave one side, convex the other. [-ö-]

conceal', *v.t.* Keep secret (*from*); hide. Hence ~MENT *n.* [f. OF *conceler* f. *L. concealare*]

concéde', *v.t.* Admit, allow, (statement, *that*); grant (right, privilege, points or start in game etc.; to person); (Sport. sl.) lose (game etc.). [f. *F. concéder* f. *L. CON(cedere, -cess- yield)*]

conceit' ¹ (-sét), *n.* Personal vanity; fanciful notion, far-fetched comparison or other euphuism; *in my own ~* (judgement); *out of ~*, no longer pleased with. [f. CONCEIVE on *deceit*]

conceit' ² (-sét), *v.t.* (arch.). Imagine; persuade oneself (*that*). [f. prec.]

conceit'ed (-sét-), *a.* Vain (orig. *self~*). Hence ~LY *adv.* [CONCEIT¹ + -ED²]

conceiv'able (-sév-), *a.* That can be (mentally) conceived. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, *nn.*, ~ABLY ² *adv.*, (-sév-). [f. foll. + -ABLE]

conceive' (-sév), *v.t. & i.* Become pregnant with; become pregnant; form in the mind, ~imagine, (also ~ of); fancy,

think, (*that*); formulate, express, (usu. pass., as *~d* in *plain terms*). [f. OF *concevoir* (st. *conceiv-*) L. L. *CON*(cipere *cept-* = *capere* take)]

concé|ébr|âte, v.i. (R.-O. Oh., of newly ordained priest) celebrate mass with ordaining bishop. Hence *~ATION* n. [f. L. *CON*(celebrare *CELEBRATE*)]

con|centr|âte, v.t. & i. Bring together to one point (troops, power, attention); (Chem.) increase strength of (liquid etc.) by contracting its volume, (fig. in p.p. of hate etc.) intense; (v.i.) employ all one's power or attention (*upon*). Hence **con|centra|TION** n. (*~ion camp*, for the accommodation of political prisoners, internees, etc.); *~IVENES*, *~OR*¹, nn., *~IVE* a. [as f. a L. *CON*(centrare f. *centrum* CENTRE), *-ATE*¹]

con|cén|tre (-ter), v.t. & i. Bring, come, to a common centre. [f. F *concentrer* (as prec.)]

con|cén|tr|ic, a. Having a common centre (*with* or *abs.*); (Mil.) *~ic fire*, firing concentrated on a point. Hence *~ICALLY* adv., **con|cén|tri|c|ITY** n. [f. med. L. *CON*(centricus, as CENTRE)]

con|cépt, n. Idea of a class of objects, general notion. [f. L. as CONCEIVE]

con|cép|tion, n. Conceiving (in all senses); thing conceived, idea. Hence *~AL* (-sho-) a. [F, f. L. *conceptionem* (as prec., -ION)]

con|cép|tive, a. Conceiving (mentally), of conception. [f. L. *conceptivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

con|cép|t|ual, a. Of mental conceptions. [f. med. L. *conceptualis* (*conceptus* -us as prec., -AL)]

con|cép|t|ual|ism, n. Doctrine that universals exist as mental concepts (only); doctrine that the mind can form ideas corresponding to abstract terms. So *~IST* n. [-ISM]

con|cérn¹, v.t. Relate to, affect; interest oneself (*with*, *in*, *about*, matter, to do); *be ~ed* (take part) *in*; *I am not ~ed*, it is not my business (*to*); (in p.p.) troubled, as *a ~ed air*, *am ~ed to hear*, *at*, for person, *about*; *~ing* (prep.), about. [f. F *concerner* f. L. *CON*(cernere *sift*, regard), in med. L. = have regard to]

con|cérn², n. Relation, reference, (*with*); *have no ~* (nothing to do) *with*; *have a ~* (interest, share) *in*; anxiety, solicitous regard, as *asked with deep ~*; matter that affects one, as *no ~ of mine*; (pl.) affairs, as *meddling in my ~s*; business, firm, as *a flourishing ~*; (colloq.) thing, as *smashed the whole ~*. [f. prec.]

con|cérn|ment, n. Affair, business; importance, as *of vital ~*; being concerned (*with*); anxiety. [-MENT]

con|cér|t¹, n. Agreement, union, as *work in ~* (*with*); the *C~ of Europe*, chief Powers acting together occasionally from

1815; combination of voices or sounds, as *voices raised in ~*; musical entertainment; *~ grand*, grand piano of largest size for *~s*; *~ pitch* (slightly higher than the ordinary; transf., state of unusual efficiency or readiness). [F, f. It. *concerto*, as foll.]

con|cér|t², v.t. Arrange (by mutual agreement, also of one person). [f. F *concert* f. It. *concertare* accord together; connexion with L. *concertare* contend, doubtful]

con|cér|t|éd, a. In vbl senses; also (Mus.) arranged in parts for voices or instruments. [-ED¹]

con|cér|ti|na (-tê-), n. Portable musical instrument consisting of a pair of bellows with a set of steds at each end. [CONCERT¹ + *-INA*¹]

con|cér|t|ô (-châr-), n. (pl. -os). Composition (usu. in three movements) for solo instrument(s) accompanied by orchestra. [It., see CONCERT¹]

con|cè|ss|ion (-shn), n. Act of conceding; thing conceded, esp. (Diplom.) grant to CONCESSIONAIRE, piece of territory of which the occupation & use is granted to a State, company, or person. Hence *~ARY*¹ (sho-) a. [F, f. L. *concessionem* (as CONCEDE, see -ION)]

con|cè|ss|ion|naire (-sho-), n. Holder of concession, grant, etc., esp. of monopoly given by government to foreigner. [F (-nn-), prec., -ARY¹]

con|cè|ss|ive, a. Of, tending to, concession; (Gram.) expressing concession. [f. L. *concessivus* (as CONCEDE, see -IVE)]

con|cèt|t|ism (-chêt-), n. Use of fanciful turns (It. *concetti*) in literature. [-ISM]

côn|ch (-ngk-), n. Shell-fish; shell of a mollusc, esp. (Rom. Myth.) as trumpet of a Triton; (Archit.) domed roof of semi-circular apse; (also *concha*) external ear, its central concavity; (Naut. sl., *C~*) native of Bahamas. [f. L. *concha* shell f. Gk. *kogkhê* mussel etc.]

côn|chif|erous (-ngk-), a. (zool., geol.). Shell-bearing. [as prec., see -FEROUS]

côn|chôl|ô|g|y (-ngk-), n. Study of shells & shell-fish. So **côn|chôl|ô|g|ical** a., *~IST* n. [as CONCH, see -LOGY]

|| **côn|chy**, n. (sl.). Conscientious objector. [abbr.]

con|cier|ge (see Ap.), n. (In France etc.) door-keeper, porter, (esp. of flats etc.). [F]

con|cil|iar, a. Of ecclesiastical councils. [f. L. *concilium* COUNCIL + *-AR*¹]

con|cil|i|âte, v.t. Gain (esteem, goodwill); pacify; win over (to one's side etc.); reconcile (discrepant theories). Hence or cogn. *~ative*, *~atory*, (-iya-), aa., *~ator*¹, *~atoriness* (-iya-), nn. [f. L. *conciliare* (as prec.), see -ATE¹]

con|cilia|TION, n. Reconciliation; use of conciliating measures; *Court of ~* (offer-

ing parties a voluntary settlement). [f. L *conciliatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

concinn'ity, n. Elegance, neatness, of literary style. [f. L *concinnitas* (*concinnus* well-adjusted, etym. dub., see -RY)]

concise, a. Brief in expression (of speech, style, person). Hence ~LY² (-al) adv., ~NESS (-an-) n. [f. L *CON(cidere cis = cardere cut)*]

conci'sion (-zhn), n. Mutilation (in *Phil.* III, 2, = circumcision, contemptuously); conciseness. [f. L *concisionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

conc'lave, n. Meeting-place, assembly, of cardinals for election of Pope; private assembly, as *in* ~. [F, f. L *CON(cave lock-up place f. clavis key)*]

conclude' (-n-klood), v.t. & i. Bring to an end, make an end, (~ one's speech etc., or ~, with remark etc., by saying etc.); (of things) come to an end; infer (from premisses etc.); settle, arrange, (treaty etc.); resolve (to do). [f. L *CON(cudere clus = claudere shut)*]

conclu'sion (-n-kloodzhn), n. Termination; final result; *in* ~, lastly, to conclude; inference; decision; (Logic) proposition deduced from previous ones, esp. last of three forming a syllogism; *try ~s with*, engage in a trial of skill etc. with; settling, arrangement, (of peace etc.). [F, f. *conclusionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

conclus'ive, (-n-klood-), a., Decisive, convincing. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. LL *conclusivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

concoct', v.t. Make up of mixed ingredients (soup, drink, story, plot). Hence or cogn. **concoct'ion**, **concoct'or**², nn., **concoct'ive** a. [f. L *CON(coquere coct-cook)*]

concol'orous (-ktil-), a. (nat. hist.). Of uniform colour. [f. L *CON(color colour) + -OUS*]

conco'm'itance, -cy, (-n-k-), n. Coexistence, esp. (-ance) of body & blood of Christ in each of the eucharistic elements. [f. L *concomitantia* (as foll., see -ANCE, -ANCY)]

conco'm'itant (-n-k-), a. & n. Going together, as ~ circumstances; (n.) accompanying thing. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *CON(comitari f. comes -mitis companion), see -ANT*]

conc'ord, n. Agreement, harmony, between persons or things; treaty; (Mus.) chord satisfactory in itself without others to follow; (Gram.) agreement between words in gender, number, etc. [f. F *concorde* f. L *concordia* f. *CON(cors f. cor cordis heart) being of one mind*]

conco'rd'ance (-n-k-), n. Agreement; alphabetical arrangement of chief words (verbal ~) or subjects (real ~) occurring in a book (esp. the Bible) or author, with citations of the passages concerned. [F, f. LL *concordantia* (foll., -ANCE)]

conco'rd'ant (-n-k-), a. Agreeing, harmo-

nious, (with or abs.); in musical concord. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *concordare* (concor), see CONCORD and -ANT]

conco'rd'at (-n-k-), n. Agreement between Pope and a secular government. [F, f. L *concordatum* neut. p.p. as prec.]

conc'ourse (-ofs), n. Crowd; confluence of things, as *fortuitous ~ of atoms*. [f. OF *concourse* f. L *concursum -us* (as CONCUR)]

concr'es'cence, n. (biol.). Coalescence, growing together. [f. L *concrecentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

conc'rète¹, a. & n. 1. (Gram., of nouns) denoting a thing as opposed to a quality, state, or action, not ABSTRACT; existing in material form, real; *in the ~*, in sphere of reality. 2. n. ~ thing; composition of gravel, cement, etc., for building, (attrib.) made of this. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *CON(crescere cret- grow)*]

concrète², v.t. & i. (-n-kröt') form into a mass, solidify; (kónk't) treat with concrete. [f. prec.]

concré'tion (-n-k-), n. Coalescence; concrete mass, esp. (Path.) morbid formation in the body, stone, (Geol.) mass formed of solid particles, whence ~ARY¹ (-n-krésho-) a.; embodiment in concrete form. [f. L *concretio* (as CONCRETE¹, see -ION)]

concub'inage (-n-k-), n. Cohabiting of man and woman not legally married; having, being, a concubine. [F, as CONCUBINE, see -AGE]

concub'inárý (-n-k-), a. & n. (Person) living in concubinage; of, sprung from, concubinage. [f. L *concubinaris* (as foll., see -ARY¹)]

conc'ubine, n. Woman who cohabits with a man, not being his wife; (among polygamous peoples) secondary wife. [F, f. L *CON(cubina f. cubare lie)*]

concup'iscence (-n-k-), n. Sexual appetite; (N.T.) desire for worldly things. [f. L *concupiscentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

concup'iscent (-n-k-), a. Lustful, eagerly desirous. [f. L *concupiscere* inceptive of *CON(cupere desire)*, see -ENT]

concú' (-n-k-), v.i. (-rr-). Happen together, coincide; (of circumstances etc.) co-operate (with or abs.); agree in opinion (with). So **concú'r'rence** (-n-k-) n. [f. L *CON(currere curs- run)*]

concú'r'rent (-n-k-), a. & n. Running together, as parallel lines; existing together; co-operating; agreeing; ~ *lease* (made before the former expires); ~ *fire insurance* (of which the risk is definitely proportioned among several companies); (n.) ~ circumstance. Hence ~LY² adv. [as CONCUR, see -ENT]

concú'ss' (-n-k-), v.t. Shake violently, agitate, (usu. fig.); intimidate. [f. L *CON(cutere cuss- = quatere shake)*]

concú'ssion (-n-kúshn), n. Violent shaking; shock; (Surg.) injury to brain etc. caused by heavy blow etc.; ~ *bellows*, ~ *self-acting* reservoir regulating wind in

- organ; ~fuse (in shell, ignited by ~). [f. L *concussio* (as prec., see -ION)]
- condemn'** (-m), v.t. Censure, blame; give judgement against; bring about conviction of, as *his looks ~ him*; doom (to death, to be beheaded; also fig. to toil etc.); ~ed cell, pew, sermon (for ~ed persons); pronounce forfeited (smuggled goods etc.), unfit for use, incurable. Hence **condemnable** (-mn-) a. [f. OF *condemner* f. L *condemnare* = *damnare* damago, condemn]
- condemnā'tion**, n. Censure; judicial conviction; ground for condemning, as *his own conduct is his ~*. [f. L *condemnatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]
- condem'natory**, a. Expressing condemnation. [f. L as CONDEMN, see -ORY]
- condensā'tion**, n. Act of condensing (t. & i.); condensed mass. [f. L *condensatio* (as foll., see -ATION)]
- condense** (-e), v.t. & i. Compress; ~ed milk (reduced by evaporation); concentrate (rays of light); increase intensity of (electricity); reduce, be reduced, from gas or vapour to liquid; compress into few words, make concise. Hence or cogn. ~ABILITY n., ~ABLE a. [(prob. thr. F *condenser*) f. L *condensare* f. *densus* thick]
- conden'ser**, n. In vbl senses; esp.: chamber in steam-engine in which steam is condensed on leaving cylinder; apparatus for accumulating electricity; lens, system of lenses, concentrating light. [-ER¹]
- condescend'**, v.i. Deign, stoop, (to an act, to do); waive one's superiority (to a person); || (Sc.) ~ upon, specify (particulars). [f. F *condescendre* f. L *condescendere* DESCEND]
- condescend'ing**, a. Showing condescension, esp. patronizing. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec. + -ING²]
- condescen'sion** (-shn), n. Affability to inferiors; patronizing manner. [f. L *condescensio* (as CONDESCEND, see -ION)]
- condign'** (-in), a. Adequate (~ punishment, vengeance). Hence ~LY² (-inl-) adv. [f. F *condigne* f. L *condignus* worthy]
- con'diment**, n. Thing used to give relish to food. Hence ~AL (-ēn⁴) a. [F, f. L *condimentum* (*condire* pickle, see -MENT)]
- condi'tion¹**, n. Stipulation, thing upon the fulfilment of which depends that of another, (~ precedent, that must be fulfilled before a bequest etc. becomes valid); on ~ that, if, provided that; (Gram.) clause expressing a ~; (pl.) circumstances, esp. those essential to a thing's existence, as *the ~s of equilibrium*, *favourable ~s*, *under existing ~s*; state of being, as *eggs arrived in good ~*, *persons of humble ~*; in, out of, ~, in good, bad, ~; change one's ~, marry. [f. OF *condicion* f. L *condicionem* f. *CONDICERE*, weak st. *dic-*, say) agree upon, see -ION]
- condi'tion²**, v.t. Stipulate (*that*); agree by stipulation (to do); the size is ~ed by (depends on) the requirements; the two things ~ (are essential to) each other; *they ~ the universe* (impose conditions on it) *anew*; (Commerc.) test the condition of (material); bring into desired state or condition; make fit (esp. dogs, horses, etc.). [f. OF *condicionner* f. med. L *conditionare* (as prec.)]
- condi'tional** (-sho-), a. & n. Not absolute, dependent (on or abs.); (Gram.) ~ clause, one expressing a condition, PROTASIS, ~ mood in French and Italian verbs, that used in the apodosis; (n.) ~ word, conjunction, mood, clause. Hence ~ITY (-shonāl-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *condicional* f. L *condicionalis* (as CONDITION¹, see -AL)]
- condi'tioned** (-shond), a. 1. Having a (specified) disposition, as *ill, well, ~*; in a (specified) condition, as *well ~ ground, cattle*; circumstanced. 2. Subject to conditions. 3. ~ reflex, reflex action responding, through habit or training, to a stimulus not naturally connected with it, e.g. watering of dog's mouth at sound of feeding-bell. [CONDITION¹, ~ + -ED², ~]
- condōl'atory**, a. Expressing condolence. [f. foll. on anal. of *consolatory* etc.]
- condōle'**, v.i. Express sympathy (*with* or *abs.*, upon loss etc.). Hence **condōl'ence** n. [f. L *condolere* suffer]
- cōn'dom**, n. Contraceptive sheath. [Inventor]
- cōndomin'ium**, n. (diplom.). Joint control of a State's affairs vested in two or more other States. [CON- + L *dominium* DOMINION]
- condōne'**, v.t. Forgive, overlook, (offence, esp. matrimonial infidelity); (of actions) atone for (offence). So **cōndona'tion** n. [f. L *condonare* give]
- cōn'dor**, n. Large S.-Amer. kind of vulture; *California C.*, great vulture of California. [Sp., f. Peruvian *cuntur*]
- cōndōttier'e** (-tyār'), n. (pl. -ri, pron. -rē). Leader of troop of mercenaries. [It. (*condotto* hired, as CONDUCT², + -iere for -iero -ARY¹)]
- condūce'**, v.i. (Usu. of events, rarely of persons) lead, contribute, (to result). Hence **condū'cive** a., **condū'civeness** (-vn-) n. [f. L *conducere* lead]
- cōn'duct¹**, n. Leading, guidance, (cf. *SAFE-conduct*); ~money (paid to a witness for travelling expenses); manner of conducting (business etc.); (Art) mode of treatment; behaviour (esp. in its moral aspect, as *good, bad, ~*); *regimental, company, ~ sheet*, record of a soldier's offences and punishments. [partly f. F *conduite* f. LL¹ + *conducta* (sem. p.p. as noun), partly f. F *conduit* (whence also CONDUIT) f. L *conductus* -ūs; both as foll.]

conduct¹, v.t. & i. Lead, guide, to; (of road) lead to; command (army); direct (orchestra, choir, concert, or abs.); direct, manage, (business etc.); ~ oneself, behave (well, with judgement, etc.); (Physics) transmit (heat etc.). [f. F *conduit* p.p. of *conduire* f. L *con(ducere duct-* lead); re-fash. on L in 16th c.]

|| **con'duct**², n. An Eton chaplain. [f. L *conductus* hired (p.p. of *conducere* see prec.)]

conductible, a. Capable of conducting (heat etc.) or (rarely) being conducted. Hence ~**IBILITY** n. [f. prec., see -BLE]

conduct'ion, n. Transmission (of heat by contact etc.); conducting (of liquid through pipe etc., esp. of natural processes). So ~**IVE** a., **conductiv'ITY** n. [f. L *conductio* (as **CONDUCT**², see -ION)]

conduct'or, n. Leader, guide; manager; director of orchestra, choir, etc.; official in charge of passengers on omnibus, tram, or (U.S.) train; warrant officer of a military department; thing that conducts or transmits (esp. heat etc., as *good, bad, non-*, ~); *lightning*~, rod at top of building, conducting electricity away into earth. Hence ~**SHIP**, **conduct'ress**¹, nn. [f. F *conducteur* f. L *conductorem* (as **CONDUCT**², see -OR³)]

conduit (kūn'dit, kōn'd), n. Channel or pipe for conveying liquids (or fig.); tube or trough for protecting insulated electric wires, length of this; ~ *system*, (electr. traction) with conductor in underground ~, (house-lighting) with conducting wires in lead piping. [see **CONDUCT**¹]

conduplicate, a. (bot.). Folded lengthwise along middle. [f. L *con(duplicare duplicare)*]

con'dyle, n. (anat.). Rounded process at end of bone, forming articulation with another bone. Hence ~**OID** a. [F, f. L f. Gk *kondylos* knuckle]

Con'dy's fluid, n. A solution of sodium permanganate as disinfectant. [maker]

Cōne, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Solid figure with circular (or other curved) base, tapering to a point (generated by straight line that always passes through a fixed point, and describes any fixed curve); fruit of pine or fir; marine shell of genus *Conus*; ~shaped thing, esp. (Meteorol.) foul-weather signal; ~s, fine flour used by bakers for dusting troughs. 2. v.t. Shape like ~; (pass., of aircraft) be picked up or illuminated by many (hostile) searchlights simultaneously; (v.i.) bear ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. L f. Gk *kōnos*]

con'ey. See **CONY**.

confab', n., & v.i. Colloq. abbr. of **CONFABULATION** or **fol.**

confab'üläte, v.i. Converse, chat, (with or abs.). Hence or cogn. ~**A'TION** n., ~**ATORY** a. [f. L *con(fabulari f. fabula tale*, see -**ATE**³)]

confec'tion, n., & v.t. Mixing, compounding; thing compounded, esp. preserve,

sweetmeat, whence ~**ARY**¹ (-sho-) a.; ready-made article of (usu. female) dress, mantle, wrap, etc.; (v.t.) prepare, make, (a ~). [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *confec'tionem* f. *con(ficere fecit=facere make)*, see -**ION**]

confec'tion'er (-sho-), n. Maker of sweetmeats, pastry, etc. (usu. for sale). Hence ~**ERY**(1, 2) n. [-**ER**¹]

confed'eracy, n. League, alliance; conspiracy; collusion; body of confederate persons or States, as *Southern C-*, Confederate States of America. [as foll., see -**ACY**(3)]

confed'erate¹, a. & n. 1. Allied (lit. & fig.); C~ *States of America* (seceding from the Union, 1860-5). 2. n. Ally, esp. in bad sense, accomplice. [f. L *con(federare f. foedus -eris league)*, see -**ATE**²]

confed'eräte², v.t. & i. Bring (person, State, oneself), come, into alliance (with). So ~**A'TION** n. [as prec., see -**ATE**²]

con'fer'¹, v. (imperat.). Compare (abbr. cf.). [L]

confer'², v.t. & i. (-rr-). Grant, bestow, (title, degree, favour, etc., on); (v.i.) converse, take counsel, (with or abs.). Hence ~**MENT** n., ~**TABLE** a. [f. L *con(ferre bring)*]

con'ference, n. Consultation; annual assembly of Methodist Church. So **conferen'tial** (-shal) a. [f. med. L *conferentia* (as prec., see -**ENCE**)]

confess', v.t. & i. Acknowledge, as *I ~ my fault, that I did it, to doing it, to having done it, to a dread of spiders*; formally declare one's sins, esp. to a priest, whence ~**ANT** n.; (of priest) hear (penitent) ~. Hence ~**EDLY**² adv. [f. OF *confesser* f. LL *confessare* frequent. of L *confessäri fess=fuläri*]

confé'ssion (-shn), n. Acknowledgement (of offence, fact, etc.); *auricular* ~ (of sins to priest), whence ~**ARY**¹ (-sho-) a.; thing confessed; ~ *of faith*, declaration of religious doctrine, creed, statement of one's principles in any matter; (formerly) tomb of confessor. [F, f. L *confessionem* (as prec., see -**ION**)]

confé'ssional (-sho-), a. & n. Of confession; (n.) stall in which priest hears confession, as *secrets of the* ~. [(adj.) proc. +**-AL**; (n.) F, f. med. L *confessionale* (neut. adj. as n.)]

confé'ssionist (-sho-), n. Adherent of a creed, esp. of the Augsburg Confession (Lutheran). [f. F *confessioniste* (-ist)]

confess'or, n. One who confesses; one who avows his religion in face of danger, but does not suffer martyrdom; *The C-*, King Edward the C~; priest who hears confession. [L (as **CONFESS**, see -**OR**³)]

confett'i, n. pl. Plaster bonbons, bits of coloured paper, used as missiles in the carnival, at weddings, etc. [It., =sweetmeats]

confidant', n. (fem. ~e, pron. -änt). Person trusted with private (usu. love)

affairs. [18th c.; perh. meant to repr. sound of F *confident*, -*ente* (as foll., see -ANT)]

confide', v.t. & i. Repose confidence in, (part.) unsuspecting; impart (secret to); entrust (object of care, task, to). [f. L *confidere* trust]

confidence, n. Firm trust; assured expectation; boldness; impudence; imparting of private matters (in one's ~, allowed to know his private affairs); thing so imparted; told in ~ (as a secret); || ~ *trick*, persuading victim to entrust valuables to one as sign of ~. [f. L *confidentia* (as prec., see -ENCE)]

confident, a. & n. Trusting, fully assured (that, of, or abs.), bold; impudent; (n.) confidant, sharer of (secret). Hence ~LY² adv. [as CONFIDE, see -ENT]

confiden'tial (-shl), a. Spoken, written, in confidence; entrusted with secrets; charged with secret service. Hence ~ITY (-shl), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv., (-sha-). [as CONFIDENCE + -AL]

configurā'tion, n. Mode of arrangement, conformation, outline, (Astron.) relative position of planets etc. [f. L *configuratio* (foll., -ATION)]

configure (-ger), v.t. Give shape to (usu. fig.). [f. L *configurare* FIGURE]

con'fine', n. (usu. pl.). Border-land, esp. (fig.) between two classes of ideas etc. [f. F *confins* pl. f. med. L *CONFINES* pl. adj. f. *finis* end, limit]

confine', v.t. & i. Keep (person, thing, oneself, within, to, limits); imprison; (pass.) be in childbed, be brought to bed; (rarely) ~ with, be adjacent to. [f. F *confiner* f. It. *confinare* (confinio f. L as prec.)]

confinement (-nm-), n. Imprisonment; being confined, esp. in childbed; limitation. [F (-MENT)]

confirm', v.t. Establish more firmly (power, possession, person in possession); ratify (treaty); possession, title, to person; corroborate (statement, evidence), whence ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa., ~atively² adv.; establish, encourage, (person in habit, opinion, etc.); administer religious rite of confirmation to, whence **confirmā'nd'** [-nd¹] (candidate for ~ation), **confirmē'**, nn.; a ~ed (invertebrate) *drunkard*, disease. [f. OF *confermer* f. L *confirmare* f. *firmus* firm]

confirmā'tion, n. Act of confirming; corroboration; rite administered to baptized persons in various Christian Churches. [OF, f. L *confirmationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

confiscā'te, v.t. Appropriate to the public treasury (by way of penalty); seize as by authority. So **confis'cable**, **confis'catory**, aa., ~OR² n. [f. L *confiscare* f. *fiscus* treasury], see -ATE¹

confiscā'tion, n. Act of confiscating;

(colloq.) legal robbery with sanction of ruling power. [f. L *confiscatio* (prec., -ATION)]

confit'eor, n. (eccles.). Form of prayer or confession of sins. [L, = I confess (*confiteri*)]

conflagrā'tion, n. Great & destructive fire (lit. & fig.). [f. L *conflagratio* (*conflagrare* burn up, see FLAGRANT)]

confli'tion, n. Fusing together esp. fig. of two variant readings into one. [f. L *conflictio* f. *conflare* blow, see -ATION]

con'flict', n. Fight, struggle, (lit. & fig.); collision; clashing (of opposed principles etc.); in ~, discrepant (often with). [f. L *conflictus* -ūs (as foll.)]

conflict', v.i. Struggle (with or abs., usu. fig.); clash, be incompatible, whence **conflic'tion** n. [f. L *conflictere* *flict*-strike]

con'fluent (-ōent), a. & n. 1. Flowing together, uniting, (of streams, roads, etc., & fig.), so **con'fluence** (-ōens) a.; ~ *smallpox* (when vesicles run together). 2. n. Stream flowing with another (prop. of same size). [f. L *confluere* flux-flow, -ENT]

con'flux, n. Confluence. [as f. a L *confluxus* -ūs (as prec.)]

conform', v.t. & i. Form according to a pattern, make similar (to); adapt oneself to; (v.i.) comply with (to), be conformable (to or abs.). Hence ~ANCE n. [f. F *conformer* f. L *conformare* f. *forma* shape]

conform'able, a. Similar (to); consistent, adapted, (to); tractable. Hence ~ABILITY n., ~ably² adv. [-ABLE]

conformā'tion, n. Manner in which a thing is formed, structure; adaptation (to). [f. L *conformatio* (as CONFORM, see -ATION)]

|| **conform'ist**, n. One who conforms to usages of Church of England. [-IST]

conform'ity, n. Likeness (to, with); compliance (with, to). [f. F *conformité* f. L *conformis* f. *forma* shape, see -ITY]

confound', v.t. Defeat (plan, hope); (mild oath) ~ it, you, (= God ~), esp. in p.p., whence ~edly² adv.; (Bibl.) put to shame; throw into perplexity; throw (things) into disorder; mix up; confuse (in idea). [f. OF *confondre* f. L *confundere* fus-pour] mix up]

confratern'ity, n. Brotherhood (esp. religious or charitable); body, gang. [F (-té), f. L *confraternitatem* FRATERNITY]

confrère (see Ap.), n. Fellow member of profession, scientific body, etc. [F]

confront' (-ünt), v.t. Meet face to face, stand facing; be opposite to; face in hostility or defiance; (of difficulties etc.) oppose; bring (person) face to face with (accusers etc.); compare. Hence **confronta'tion** n. [f. F *confronter* f. med. L *confronari* f. *frons* -ntis face)]

Confū'cian (-shn), a. & n. (Follower) of Confucius, the Chinese Philosopher. Hence ~ISM (-sha-). [f. *Confucius*, latiniz. of *K'ung Fū tse* K'ung the master, +AN]

confūs[e] (-z), v.t. Throw into disorder; mix up in the mind; abash, perplex, (usu. pass.). Hence ~EDLY² adv., ~EDNESS n., (-z-). [f. L *as CONFUND*]

confū'sion (-zhn), n. Act of confusing; confused state; tumult; (as imprecation) ~I, drink ~to; ~ worse *confounded*, made worse than it was. [OF, f. L *confusionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

confute', v.t. Convict (person) of error by proof; prove (argument) false. So **confū'tion** n. [f. L *confutare* perh. f. same root as *fundere* pour]

congé (see Ap.), **cong'gee** (-jī), n. Dismissal without ceremony; (arch.) bow, esp. at parting; (F) *congé d'hôte* (dālet'), royal permission to elect bishop. Hence **cong'ge**, -gee, v.t. & i. [ME *conge* f. OF *congies* f. L *commedius* -us leave of absence f. *com(men)re* go) go & come; now usu. treated as mod. F]

congeal' (-j-), v.t. & i. Freeze, solidify by cooling; coagulate (t. & i. of blood etc. or fig.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [f. OF *congeler* f. L *congelare* f. *gelu* frost]

congēlā'tion (-j-), n. Congealing; congealed state; congealed substance. [f. L *congelatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

cong'gēner (-j-), n. & a. One of the same kind as (of) another; (adj.) akin, allied, (to). [n. thr. F *congénère* f. L *con(genus)-eris* kind]

congēnē'ric (-j-), a. Of same genus, kind, race; allied in nature or origin. [-IC]

congēn'erous (-j-), a. Of same genus or (loosely) family; of same kind; ~ *muscles* (concurring in same action). [-OUS]

congē'nial (-j-), a. (Of persons, characters, etc.) kindred, sympathetic, (*with*, *to*); suited, agreeable, (to). Hence ~ITY (-āl) n., ~LY² adv. [CON- + GENIAL]

congē'nīal (-j-), a. Belonging to (*with*) one from birth (esp. of diseases, defects, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *con(genitus)* p.p. of *gigno* beget) + AL]

cong'er (-ngg-), n. Large sea eel (also ~ *eel*). [f. OF *congre* f. L *conger* -gri f. Gk *pagros*]

cong'éries (-jēriēs), n. (pl. same). Collection, mass, heap. [L (as foll.)]

congēst' (-j-), v.i. & t. (Intr.) accumulate to excess (esp. in p.p.); affect with congestion; ~ed *district*, area of land too crowded to support its population (esp. in Ireland and Scotland); (Med.) ~ed *organ* (overcharged with blood). Hence **congē'stīv** a. [f. L *con(gerere)* gest-bring]

congēs'tion (-jēshon), n. Abnormal accumulation of blood in a part of the body (fig. of population, traffic, etc.). [F, f. L *congestionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

cōn'globāte (-ng-), v.t. & i. & a. Form into a ball; (adj.) so formed. So ~A'tion n. [f. L *con(globare)* f. *globus*], see -ATE², **cong'lōbe** (-ng-), v.t. & i. = prec. [as prec.]

cong'lōm'erate¹ (-ng-), a. & n. Gathered into a round mass; (Geol.) (pudding-stone, water-worn fragments of rock) cemented into a mass (cf. AGGLOMERATE). [f. L *con(glomerare)* f. *glomus* -eris ball], see -ATE²

cong'lōm'erā'te² (-ng-), v.t. & i. Collect into a coherent mass (lit. & fig.). So ~A'tion n. [as prec., see -ATE²]

cong'lū'tināte (-ng-lōb-), v.t. & i. Stick together (as) with glue. So ~A'tion n. [f. L *conglutinare* (*gluten* -inis glue), see -ATE²]

cōng'ou (-ngōō, -ō), n. Kind of black Chinese tea. [f. Chin. *kung-fu* (-ch'a) labour (tea)]

congrāt'ūlāte (-ng-), v.t. Address (person) with expressions of sympathetic joy (on an event); ~ate oneself, think oneself happy (on). Hence ~ANT a. & n., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa., ~ATORY² n., (-ng-). [f. L *con(gratulari)* f. *gratus* pleasing], see -ATE²

congrātūlā'tion (-ng-), n. Congratulating; (pl.) congratulatory expressions. [f. L *congratulatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

cōng'rēgāte (-ngg-), v.t. & i. Collect, gather, into a crowd (of persons) or mass (of things). [f. L *con(gregare)* f. *grex* gregis flock], see -ATE²

cōng'rēgā'tion (-ngg-), n. Collection into a body or mass; assemblage; || general assembly of (qualified) members of university; (Bibl.) collective body of Israelites in wilderness, also, public solemn assembly of the nation; (Bibl.) *C~ of Saints*, the wicked, etc., (whole body); body assembled for religious worship; permanent committee of Roman College of Cardinals, as the *C~ de propaganda fide*. [f. F *congrégation* f. L *congregationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

cōng'rēgā'tional (-ngg-; -sho-), a. Of a congregation; (C~) of, adhering to, Congregationalism. [-AL]

Cōng'rēgā'tionalism (-ngg-; -sho-), n. System of ecclesiastical polity that leaves legislative, disciplinary, and judicial functions to the individual church. So ~IST n., ~IZE v.t. [prec. + -ISM]

cōng'rēss (-ngg-), n. Coming together, meeting; formal meeting of delegates for discussion, esp. of envoys or persons engaged in special studies, as *Church C~*, annual meeting of Church of England, *Social Science C~*, etc.; (C~) national legislative body of U.S. or B. & Central Amer. republics; its session; C~man, member of C~; (C~) Indian political party, founded 1885. [f. L *congressus* -us f. *con(gredi)* gress- = gradi walk]

cōng'rēssional (-nggrēsho-), a. Of a congress. [f. L *congressio* (as prec., see -ION) + -AL]

Cong'reve (-nggr-), a. & n. ~ (*match*), kind of friction match; ~ (*rocket*), kind formerly used in war. [Sir W. ~, inventor]

cong'ruence (-nggröbens), -cý, n. Agreement, consistency, (of one *with* another, *between* two). [f. L *congruentia* (as foll., see -ENCE, -ENCY)]

cong'ruent (-nggröb-), a. Suitable, accordant, (*with*). [f. L *congruere* not otherwise found, see -ENT]

cong'ruous (-nggröb-), a. Accordant, conformable, (*with*); fitting. Hence or cogn. **congru'ity** (-nggröb-) n. ~LY² adv. [f. L *congruus* (as prec.) + -OUS]

con'ic, a. & n. Cone-shaped; of a cone, as ~ *section*; (n. pl.) study of plane ~ sections. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv., ~ALNESS n. [f. Gk *kónikos* (CONE, -IO)]

con'ico-, in comb. With a conical tendency, as ~cylindrical. [as prec.]

con'ifer, n. Cone-bearing plant. Hence **conif'eros** a. [L (as CONE, see -FEROUS)]

con'iform, a. Cone-shaped. [CONE, -FORM]

con'ine, **con'ine**, n. An alkaloid, the poisonous principle of hemlock. [f. L *conium* f. Gk *kónēion* henlock + -INE²]

con'jectural (-kcher-), a. Involving, given to, conjecture. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *conjecturalis* (as foll., see -AL)]

con'jecture¹, n. Formation of opinion without sufficient grounds, guessing, esp. in textual criticism, of a reading not in the text; a ~, a guess, proposed reading. [F, f. L *conjectura* f. *con'icere* ject- = *jacere* throw, see -URE]

con'jecture², v.t. & i. Guess; propose (a conjectural reading); (v.i.) make a guess. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ABLY² adv., (-kcher-). [f. F *conjecturer* (prec.)]

conjoin, v.t. & i. Join (t. & i.); combine. [f. F *conjoindre* f. L *con'jungere* junct-]

conjoint¹, a. United; associated. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, p.p. as prec.]

con'jugal (-öb-), a. Of marriage, as ~ rights; of husband and/or wife, as ~ affection. Hence ~ITY (-äl²) n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *conjugalis* f. *con'jux* -*jugis* f. root of *ungere* join] consort, see -AL]

con'jugate¹ (-öb-), v.t. & i. (Gram.) inflect (verb) in voice, mood, tense, number, person; (v.i.) unite sexually; (Biol.) become fused. [f. L *conjugare* f. *jugum* yoke] yoke together, see -ATE¹]

con'jugate² (-öb-), a. & n. Joined together, esp. coupled; (Gram.) derived from same root; (Math.) joined in a reciprocal relation; (Biol.) fused; (n.) ~ word or thing. [as prec., see -ATE²]

conjugá'tion (-öb-), n. Joining together; (Gram.) scheme of verbal inflexion; (Biol.) fusion of two (apparently) similar cells for reproduction. Hence ~AL (-öb-; -sho-) a. [f. L *conjugatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

conjunct¹, a. & n. Joined together; combined; associated, joint; (n.) ~ person or thing. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *as conjoin*]

conjunc'tion, n. 1. Union, connexion; *in* ~, together (*with*). 2. (Astrol., Astron.) apparent proximity of two heavenly bodies. 3. Combination of events or circumstances; number of associated persons or things. 4. (Gram.) uninflected word used to connect clauses or sentences, or to co-ordinate words in same clause. Hence ~AL a., ~LY² adv., (-sho-). [OF, f. L *conjunctionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

conjunctiv'a, n. Mucous membrane connecting inner eyelid & eye-ball. Hence **conjunctiv'is** (-itis) n. [mod. L (for *membrana* ~) as foll.]

conjunc'tive, a. & n. 1. Serving to join, as ~ *tissue*. 2. (Gram.) of the nature of a conjunction; uniting sense as well as construction, cf. **DISJUNCTIVE**; ~ *mood* of verb, one used only in conjunction with another verb, cf. **SUBJUNCTIVE**. 3. n. ~ word or mood. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv. [f. L *conjunctivus* (as **CONJOIN**, see -IVE)]

conjunc'ture, n. Combination of events, posture of affairs. [f. F *conjoncture* f. L *as conjoin*, see -URE]

con'juration (-öb-), n. Solemn appeal; incantation. [OF, f. L *conjuratiōem* (foll., -ATION)]

conjure, v.t. & i. 1. (*konjoor*). Appeal solemnly to (person to do). 2. (*kün'jer*). Constrain (spirit) to appear by invocation (also ~ *up*, *down*, *out* of person); effect, bring *out*, convey *away*, by juggling; juggle, produce magical effects by natural means, perform marvels (*a name to ~ with*, of vast influence); ~ *up*, cause to appear to the fancy. [f. OF *conjur* f. L *con'jurare* swear] band together by oath] **con'jurer**, -or, (*kün'jerer*), n. One who practises legerdemain, juggler; unusually clever person, as *he is no ~*. [(*-er*) f. prec. + -ER¹; (-or) f. OF *conjur* f. L *conjuratorem* (as prec., see -OR²)]

conk¹, n. (sl.). Nose. Hence ~Y² a. & n., big-nosed (person). [perh. = **CONCH**]

|| **conk**², v.i. (colloq.). Break down, give out (usu. of mechanism etc.). [?]

|| **conk'ers** (-z), n. pl. Boys' game played with horse-chestnuts (orig. with snail-shells) through which a string is threaded, the object being to break that held by opponent. [dial. *conker* snail-shell]

conn'ate, a. Born with a person, innate; (of two or more qualities etc.) born together, coeval in origin; (Bot., Zool.) congenitally united (of leaves united at base etc.). [f. L *con(nasci nat-)* be born]

conná'tural (-cher-), a. Innate, belonging naturally, (to); of like nature. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *con(naturalis NATURAL)*]

connect¹, v.t. & i. 1. Join (two things, one *with*, *to*, another); make coherent (argu-

ments etc.); (pass.) have practical relations *with*; associate mentally; unite *with* others in relationship etc. (usu. pass. or refl.); (v.l.) join on (*with*). Hence ~ER¹(2), -OR², nn., ~IBLE a. [f. L *con(nectere nex-hind)*]

connéc'téd, a. In vbl senses, esp.: joined in sequence, coherent, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.; related, as *well* ~ (with persons of good position). [-ED¹]

connéc'tive, a. Serving, tending, to connect; ~ *tissue* of the body, fibrous tissue connecting & supporting the organs. [-IVE]

conné'xion (-kshon), **connéc'tion**, n. Act of connecting; state of being connected (*cut the ~*, separate things, have no more to do with something); relation of thought, as *in this* ~; connecting part, as *hot water* ~s; connecting train, steamer, etc., as *miss the ~*; personal intercourse; sexual relation, as *criminal* ~ (abbr. *crim. con.*); family relationship; relative; religious body, whence ~AL (-sho-) a.; body of customers etc., as *business with a good* ~; *in ~ with*, connected with, esp. of trains, boats, etc., taking on passengers from others. [f. L *connexio* (as *CONNECT*, see -ION)]

conning tower. See *CON*².

***connip'tion**, n. (sl.). (Usu. ~ *fit*) fit of rage or hysteria. [etym. dub.]

conniv'ance, n. Conniving (*at, in*); tacit permission, as *done with his* ~. [earlier -ence, f. L *conniventia* (as foll., see -ENCE, -ANCE)]

connive', v.l. Wink at (what one ought to oppose). [f. L *con(nivère, cf. nicere* make a sign, *nictare* wink)]

conniv'ent, a. (nat. hist.). Gradually convergent. [as *CONNIVE*, see -ENT]

connoisseur (kónsə'sér), n. Critical judge (*of, in*, matters of taste). Hence ~SHIP n. [F, f. L *cognoscitorem* f. *CO(gnoscere* become acquainted with), see -OR²]

connōt'e, v.t. (Of words) imply in addition to the primary meaning; (of facts etc.) imply as a consequence or condition; (Logic) imply the attributes while denoting the subject; (loosely) mean. Hence or cogn. *connōt'ation* n., ~ative a., ~atively¹ adv. [f. L *con(notare* f. *nota* mark) mark together]

connū'b'ial, a. Of marriage; of husband and/or wife. Hence ~TRY (-ál) n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *connubialis* f. *CON(nubium* f. *nubere* marry), see -AL]

cón'oid, a. & n. Cone-shaped; (n.) solid generated by revolution of a conic section about its axis, also, any more or less cone-shaped body. Hence *conoid'AL* a. [f. Gk *kónoeidēs* (as *CONE*, see -OID)]

cónq'uer (-ngker), v.t. & i. Overcome by force; get the better of (habit, passion, etc.); *stoop to* ~, use indirect means for gaining one's end; acquire, subjugate, (land). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *conquerre* f. L *CON(quaerere* seek, get)]

cónq'ueror (-ngke-), n. One who conquers; *the C*~, William I; (colloq.) *play the ~* (decisive game); || horse-chestnut that has broken others in boys' game of *CONKERS*. [f. OF *conqueror* f. L **con-quaerēdorem* (*conquerēre* for *-tre*, see *prec.* & -OR²)]

cónq'uest, n. Subjugation (of country etc.); *the (Norman) C*~, acquisition of English crown by William of Normandy, 1066; conquered territory; person whose affections have been won; *make a ~ (of)*, win (person's) affections. [f. OF (1) *conquest* thing acquired by ~; (2) *conqueste* action of ~, f. L *conquisita*, fem. p.p. of *conquirere* (-quaerere) CONQUER]

consáng'uine (-nggrwin), a. = foll. [F (-in, -ine), as foll.]

consánguin'eous (-nggw-), a. Of the same blood, akin. [f. L *CON(sanguineus* f. *sanguis* -inis blood) + -OUS]

consánguin'ity (-nggw-), n. Blood-relationship (also fig.). [f. F *consanguinité* f. L *consanguinitatem* (as *prec.*, see -TY)]

cón'science (-shens), n. Moral sense of right & wrong; *good or clear, bad or guilty*, ~, consciousness that one's actions are right, wrong; *have on one's* ~, feel guilty about; *in all* ~, upon one's ~, (forms of asseveration); *have the ~ to*, have the impudence to; *for* ~ (or ~') *sake*, to satisfy one's ~; ~ *clause* in act, one ensuring respect for the ~s of those affected; ~ *money* (sent to relieve the ~, esp. in payment of evaded income-tax). Hence ~LESS a. [F, f. L *scientia* f. *CON(sciere* know) be privy to, see -ENCE]

cónsciē'tious (-shi-; -shus), a. Obedient to conscience, scrupulous, (of persons or conduct); ~ *objector*, person who avails himself of *CONSCIENCE clause*, man (often abbr. *c.o.*) who pleads conscience & objects to military service. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). [f. F *conscientieux*, -euse, f. med. L *conscientious* (as *prec.*, see -OUS)]

cón'scious (-shus), a. Aware, knowing, (*of fact*, of external circumstances, *that*, or *abs.*); with mental faculties awake; (*of actions, emotions, etc.*) realized by the actor etc. (*with* ~ *superiority*; *a hardly* ~ *movement*); = *SELF-CONSCIOUS*. Hence ~LY² (-shus-) adv. [f. L *conscious* f. *CON(sciere* know) be privy to + -OUS]

cón'sciousness (-shus-), n. State of being conscious; totality of a person's thoughts & feelings, or of a class of these, as *moral* ~; perception (*of, that*). [-NESS]

conscribe' (now rare), **conscript'**¹, vv.t. Enlist by conscription. [f. L *CON(scribere* script- write) enrol]

cón'script², a. & n. (Recruit) enrolled by conscription; ~ *fathers* (collective title of Roman senators). [as *prec.*]

conscript'ion, n. Compulsory enlistment for military or naval or air force service (esp. enrolment by lot); ~ *of wealth*,

taxation or confiscation of property for war purposes to impose equality of sacrifice on non-conscripts. [f. L *conscriptio* (as prec., see -ION)]

con'sécrate¹, a. Consecrated. [f. L *CONsecrare* = *sacrare* f. *sacer* -*crī* sacred), see -ATE²]

con'sécrate², v.t. Set apart as sacred (*to*); devote *to* (purpose); sanctify. So ~OR² n., ~ORY a. [prec., -ATE²]

con'sécra'tion, n. Act of consecrating, dedication, esp. of church, churchyard, etc., by bishop; ordination to sacred office, esp. of bishop; devotion *to* (a purpose). [f. L *consecratio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'séc'tary, n. Deduction, corollary. [f. L *consecrarium* (neut. adj. as n.) f. *consecrari* frequent. as foll.]

con'séc'ution, n. Logical sequence; sequence of events; (Gram.) sequence of words, tones, etc. [f. L *consecutio* f. *CONsequi* *secut-* pursue) overtake, see -ION]

con'séc'utive, a. Following continuously; (Gram.) expressing consequence, as ~ clause; (Mus.) ~ intervals (of the same kind, occurring adjacently between the same two parts, esp. fifths or octaves). Hence ~LY² (-*vl-*) adv., ~NESS (-*vn-*) n. [f. F *consecutif*, -*ive* (as prec., see -IVE)]

con'sen'scence, n. General decay by age. [f. L *CONsenescere* grow old f. *senex*, -*ENEX*]

con'sen'sual (-*sū*-, -*shōō*-), a. (physiol.). Caused by sympathetic action. [f. *fol.* + -AL]

con'sen'sus, n. Agreement (of opinion, testimony, etc.); (Physiol.) agreement of different organs in effecting purpose. [L (as foll.)]

con'sent¹, v.i. Acquiesce, agree, (*to* a thing, *to* do, *that*, or abs.). [f. OF *consentir* f. L *CONsentire* *sens-* feel) agree]

con'sent², n. Voluntary agreement, compliance; permission; age of ~ (at which ~, esp. of girl to seduction, is valid in law); (prov.) silence gives ~; with one ~, unanimously. [f. OF *consente* (as prec.)]

con'sentā'neous, a. Accordant, suited, (*to*, *with*); unanimous, concurrent. Hence *con'sentā'neously*, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *consentaneus* (as *CONSENT*¹) + -OUS]

con'sen'tient (-*shnt*), a. Agreeing; concurrent; consenting (*to*). [f. L as *CONSENT*¹, see -ENT]

con'séquence, n. Result (of something preceding; *take the ~s*, accept whatever results from one's choice or act); logical inference; *in ~*, as a result (of); importance; of (no) ~, (un)important; social distinction, rank, as *persons of ~*. [f. F *conséquence* f. L *consequentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

con'séquent¹, n. Event that follows another; second part of conditional pro-

position, dependent on the antecedent; (Math.) second of two numbers in a ratio, second & fourth of four proportionals. [as foll.]

con'séquent², a. Following as a result (*on*); following logically; logically consistent. [f. F *conséquent* f. L *CONsequi* follow), see -ENT]

con'séquén'tial (-*shl*), a. Following as a result or inference; following or resulting indirectly, as ~ damages; self-important. Hence ~ITY (-*shāl*), n., ~LY² (-*shal*-) adv. [f. L as *CONSEQUENCE* + -AL]

con'séquently, adv. & conj. As a result; therefore. [-LY²]

|| **con'sérv'ancý**, n. Commission, court, controlling a port, river, etc., as *Thames C~*; official preservation (of forests etc.). [f. L as *CONSERVARE*, see -ANCY]

con'servá'tion, n. Preservation; ~ of energy, principle that total quantity of energy of any system of bodies (including the universe) is invariable. [f. L *conseruatio* (as prec., -ATION)]

con'sérv'ative, a. & n. 1. Preservative (a. & n.); (*C~ party*, English political party) disposed to maintain existing institutions; (improp., of estimate) moderate, cautious, purposely low. 2. n. One so disposed, (*C~*) member of the *C~ party*. So *con'sérv'atism* n. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), f. med. L *conseruativus* (as foll., see -IVE)]

con'sérvatoire¹ (-*twahr*), n. Public school of music & declamation (on Continent).

[F, f. L *conseruatorium* (as foll., see -ORY)]

con'servátor, n. Preserver; official custodian (of museum etc.); || ~s of the peace, the King, Lord Chancellor, etc.; || ~s of a river (see *CONSERVANCY*). [f. F *conseruateur* f. L *conseruatorem* (as foll., see -OR²)]

con'sérv'at'ory, n. Greenhouse for tender plants; = *CONSERVATOIRE*. [f. L *conseruatorius* a. (as foll., see -ORY)]

con'sérve¹, n. (usu. pl.). Confection, preserve. [F, f. med. L *conserva* (as foll.)]

con'sérve², v.t. Keep from harm, decay, or loss. [f. F *conserver* f. L *CONseruare* keep)]

con'sid'er, v.t. & i. Contemplate mentally; weigh the merits of (course, claim, etc.); reflect (*that*, *whether*, etc., or abs.), reckon with, make allowance for; be of opinion (*that*); regard as, as I ~ him (*to be*) a knave, ~ yourself under arrest; (arch.) ~ of, think over. [f. F *considérer* f. L *CONsiderare* perh. f. *sidus* -*eris* star) examine] **con'sid'er'able**, a. Worth considering; (of persons) notable, important; (of immaterial things) much, no small, (trouble, annoyance, pleasure), whence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *considerabilis* (as prec., see -ABLE)]

con'sid'erate, a. Thoughtful for others; (arch.) careful. Hence ~LY² (-*ti*-) adv., ~NESS (-*tn-*) n. [as prec., -ATE²]

considerā'tion, n. Act of considering; meditation; *take into ~, consider; under ~, being considered; in ~ of, in return for, on account of; fact, thing, regarded as a reason, as that is a ~, on no ~; compensation, reward, as for a ~; (Law) thing given, done, as equivalent by person to whom a promise is made; thoughtfulness for others; importance (now rare).* [f. F *considération* f. L *considerationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

consid'ering, prep. In view of, as *it is excusable ~ his age, how young he is, (that) he has no experience;* (ellipt.) *that is not so bad, ~ (the circumstances).* [-ING²]

consign' (-in), v.t. Hand over, deliver, to (misery, watery grave, person, person's care); transmit, send by rail etc., to (person), whence **consignee'**, **consignor'**, (-in-), nn.; deposit (money in bank). Hence ~**ABLE** (-in-) a. [f. L *consignare* mark with a seal (*signum*)]

consignā'tion, n. Formal payment of money to person legally appointed; act of consigning goods; to the ~ of, addressed to. [f. L *consignatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

consign'ment (-in-), n. Consigning; goods consigned. [-MENT]

consil'i'ent, a. (Of inductions from different phenomena) accordant. Hence ~**ENCE** n. [f. L ⁺*con(silire = salire jump)*, see -ENT]

consist', v.i. Be composed of (esp. material things); be comprised in, as *virtue ~s in being uncomfortable; harmonize with;* (Bibl., Col. 1. 17) exist. [f. L *consistere* stop] exist]

consis'tence, -c'y, n. Degree of density, esp. of thick liquids; firmness, solidity, (lit. & fig.); (-cy) state of being consistent, esp. of persons. [as prec., see -ENCE, -ENCY]

consistent, a. Compatible, not contradictory, (*with*); (of person) constant to same principles. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [as prec., -ENT]

cons'istory (also **consis'**), n. Senate composed of Pope & Cardinals; (also C~*Court*) bishop's court for ecclesiastical causes & offences; Lutheran clerical board; court of presbyters. So **consistor'ial** a. [f. F *consistoire* f. L *consistorium* (as **CONSIST**, see -ORY)]

consoc'iate¹ (-shi-), a. & n. Associate(d). [f. L *consociare* f. *socius* fellow, see -ATE¹]

consoc'iate² (-shi-), v.t. & i. Associate. So **consocia'tion** n. [as prec., see -ATE¹]

consolā'tion, n. Act of consoling; consoling circumstance; ~ *race, prize, stakes* (open to competitors unsuccessful in former events). [F, f. L *consolationem* (as foll., see -ATION)]

consol'atory, a. Tending, meant, to console. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *consolatorius* (as foll., see -ORY)]

consol'e¹, v.t. Comfort. Hence ~**ABLE** a. [f. F *consoler* f. L *consolare*, -ri]

cons'ole¹, n. (Archit.) kind of bracket or corbel; frame containing keyboards, stops, etc., of organ; ~*table, -mirror* (supported by bracket against wall). [F, etym. dub.]

consol'idā'te, v.t. & i. Solidify (t. & i.); strengthen (usu. fig., power etc.); combine (territories, estates, companies, statutes, debts) into one whole; || ~*ed annuities, consols*, Government securities of Great Britain, ~ed in 1751 into a single stock at 3% (now 2½), C~*ed Fund*, united product of various taxes etc., whence interest of national debt etc. is paid. Hence **consolida'tion**, ~**OR**², nn., ~**ORY** a. [f. L *consolidare* f. *solidus*, see -ATE¹]

|| **consols'** (-z), n. pl. See prec. [abbr.]

consommé (see Ap.), n. Strong meat soup. [F]

con'sonance, n. Recurrence of same or similar sounds in words, assonance; sounding of two notes in harmony; (Mus.) consonant interval, concord; (fig.) agreement, harmony. [F, f. L *consonantia* (as foll., see -ANCE)]

con'sonant', a. Agreeable to, consistent *with*; harmonious; agreeing in sound; (Mus.) making concord. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [F, f. L *con(sonare sound f. sonus)*, see -ANT]

con'sonant', n. Alphabetical element other than vowel; sound that in forming a syllable is combined with vowel. Hence **consonā'tal** a. [F, f. L *consonantem* (*litteram* letter) sounding with another (as prec.)]

con'sort¹, n. 1. Husband or wife; *queen ~, king's wife; king, prince, ~, queen's husband*. 2. Ship sailing with another. [F, f. L *con(sors -ritis lot) sharer, comrade*]

conso'rt², v.t. & i. Class or bring together, keep company, (*with*); agree, harmonize, (*with*). [f. prec., and f. vb *sort*]

conso'rtium (-shium), n. Temporary co-operation of several powers or large interests to effect some common purpose. [L, = partnership (*consors* sharing, sharer)]

consp'icif, a. Of the same species. [CON-]

consp'ctus, n. General view of subject, scene, etc.; tabulation of details, synopsis. [L, vbi n. f. *con(spicere look at)*]

consp'icuous, a. Clearly visible, striking to the eye; attracting notice, remarkable, as ~ *by its absence, for his loyalty*. Hence **conspicu'ity**, ~**NESS**, nn., ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *conspicuus* (as prec.) + -OUS]

conspi'rac'y, n. Act of conspiring (in good or bad sense); combination for unlawful purpose; plot. [f. L *conspiratio* (as foll., see -ATION), with -ACRY(3) substituted]

conspi'rator, n. One engaged in a conspiracy. Hence ~**NESS**¹ n. [f. F *conspirateur* f. L *conspiratorem* (as foll., see -OR²)]

conspire¹, v.i. & t. Combine privily for unlawful purpose, esp. treason, murder.

sedition; combine, concur, (to do); plot, devise, as ~ *his ruin*, ~ *an attack*. [f. F conspirer f. L *conspirare* breathe] agree, plot]

conspue', v.t. (rare). Express detestation, clamour for the abandonment or abolition, of (person, policy, etc.). [f. F *conspuer* f. L *conspuere* spit] spit upon]

constable (kūn-), n. (Also *police* ~) policeman; || *Chief C~*, head of police force of county etc.; *special ~*, person sworn in to act as ~ on special occasion; *outrun the ~*, run into debt; *C~ of France*, principal officer of household of early French kings, commander-in-chief in king's absence; *C~ of England*, *Lord High C~*, similar officer in English Royal household (now temporary officer on special occasions). [f. OF *conestable* f. LL *comes stabuli* count of the stable]

constab'ulary, a. & n. (Organized body) of constables. [f. med. L *constabularius* (n. -aria) f. *constabulus* CONSTABLE, see -ARY¹]

con'stancy, n. Firmness, endurance; faithfulness; unchangingness. [f. L *constantia* (as foll., see -ANCY)]

con'stant, a. & n. 1. Unmoved, resolute; faithful (to); unchanging; unremittent, as ~ *attention*, *chatter*. 2. n. (Math.) quantity that does not vary; (Phys.) number expressing a relation, property, etc., that remains the same for same substance in same conditions, as ~ *of friction*. [f. f. L *constans* stand, see -ANT]

Constán'tia (-sha), n. Wine from the ~ farm near Cape Town.

con'stantly, adv. Always; often. [-LY²]

con'stellá'te, v.t. & i. Form into a constellation. [f. L + *constellare* f. *stella* star, see -ATE²]

constellá'tion, n. Number of fixed stars grouped within an imaginary outline (also fig.). [f. L *constellatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'sterná'te, v.t. Dismay (usu. pass.). [f. L *consternare*, -sternere, throw down], see -ATE²]

consterná'tion, n. Dismay. [f. L *consternatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'stipá'te, v.t. Confine (bowels); render constive. [f. L *constipare* press, see -ATE²]

constipá'tion, n. Costiveness. [f. L *constipatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

constit'üency, n. Body of voters who elect a representative member; place, body of residents in place, so represented; body of customers, subscribers, etc. [f. foll., see -ENCY]

constit'üent, a. & n. 1. Composing, making up, a whole; appointing, electing; able to frame or alter a (political) constitution, as ~ *assembly*, *power*. 2. n. One who appoints another his agent; component

part; member of a constituency. (as foll., see -ENT]

con'stitüte, v.t. Appoint, as ~ *him president*, ~ *oneself a judge*; establish, found; give legal form to (assembly etc.); frame, form, (esp. pass. of bodily or mental constitution); make up, be the components of. [f. L *constituere* -ut- = *statuere* set up]

constit'ution, n. Act, mode, of constituting; character of the body as regards health, strength, etc.; mental character; mode in which State is organized; body of fundamental principles according to which a State is governed; *written ~*, document embodying these; (Hist.) decree, ordinance, as *C~s of Clarendon* (1164). [f. f. L *constitutionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

constit'utional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Of, inherent in, affecting, the bodily or mental constitution; essential; of, in harmony with, authorized by, the political constitution, as ~ *sovereign*, *government* (limited by ~ forms), whence ~ *ity* (-shonál) n.; adhering to the political constitution. 2. n. ~ *walk*, for health's sake. Hence ~ *LY²* adv. [-AL]

constit'utionalism (-sho-), n. Constitutional government; adherence to constitutional principles. [-ISM]

constit'utionalist (-sho-), n. Writer on the political constitution; adherent of constitutional principles. [-IST]

constit'utionalize (-sho-), v.t. & i. Make constitutional; (intr.) take a constitutional. [-IZE]

con'stitutive, a. Constructive, formative; essential; component. Hence ~ *LY²* (-vi-) adv. [f. CONSTITUTE + -IVE]

con'stitutor, n. Person that constitutes. [L (as CONSTITUTE, see -OR²)]

constrain, v.t. Compel (person to do, to course or state, or abs.); bring about by compulsion; confine forcibly, imprison (lit. & fig.); (p.p.) forced, embarrassed, as ~ *ed voice*, *manner*, whence ~ *edly²* adv. [f. OF *constreindre* f. L *constringere* strict-tie)]

constraint, n. Compulsion (*under* ~); confinement; restraint of natural feelings, constrained manner. [f. OF *constreinte*, fem. p.p. as n., see prec.]

constrict, v.t. Contract, compress; cause (organic tissue) to contract. See **constriction** n., **constrictive** a. [f. L as CONSTRAIN]

constrict'or, n. Muscle that draws together or narrows a part; compressor (surgical instrument); BOA ~. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

constrin'ge' (-j), v.t. Compress; cause (organic tissue) to contract. Hence ~ *GENCY* n., ~ *GENT* a., (-j-). [as prec.]

construct, v.t. Fit together, frame, build, (also fig.); (Gram.) combine (words) syntactically; draw, delineate, as ~ *a*

triangle. [f. L *construere* *struct-* pile, build)]

construc'tion, n. Act, mode, of constructing; thing constructed; syntactical connexion between words; construing, explanation, (of words); interpretation (of conduct etc.), as *put a good, bad, ~ upon his refusal*; ~ *train* (conveying materials for the ~ or upkeep of a railway). Hence ~ISM (-sho-) n., artistic expression by means of mechanical structures (chiefly Theatr.). [f. L *constructio* (as prec., see -ION)]

construc'tional (-sho-), a. Of construction; structural, belonging to the original structure. [-AL]

construc'tive, a. Of construction: tending to construct, esp. opposed to *destructive* as *positive* to *negative*, as ~ *criticism*; belonging to the structure of a building; inferred, not directly expressed, virtual, as a ~ *denial*, *permission*, *blasphemy*, *treason*. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv. [f. med. L *constructivus* (as CONSTRUCT, see -IVE)]

construc'tor, n. One who constructs, esp. supervisor of naval construction. Hence ~SHIP n. [-OR²]

con'struce (-ōō, also *konstrōō*), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Combine (words with others) grammatically, as '*rely*' is ~d with '*on*'; analyse (sentence), translate word for word; admit of grammatical analysis, as *this passage does not ~*; expound, interpret, (words, actions). 2. n. (kōn'). Passage to be translated word for word. [as CONSTRUCT]

consustān'tial (-shl), a. Of the same substance, esp. of the three Persons in the Godhead. Hence ~RY (-shial') n. [f. L *consustantialis* as SUBSTANCE, see -AL]

consustān'tiāte (-shl-), v.t. & i. Unite in one substance. [f. med. L *con(sustantiare* as prec.), -ATE³]

consustāntiā'tion (-shi-), n. (Doctrine of) real substantial presence of body & blood of Christ together with bread & wine in Eucharist (cf. TRANSUBSTANTIATION). [f. 10th-c. L *consustantiatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'suetūde (-sw-), n. Custom, esp. as having legal force; social intercourse. [OF, f. L *consuetudo* -inis (cf. CUSTOM) f. *consuetus* accustomed p.p. of *consuescere*, see -UDE]

consuetūd'ināry (-sw-), a. & n. Customary, as ~ *law*; (n.) manual of customs, esp. of monastic house, cathedral, etc. [f. L *consuetudinarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

con'sul, n. Title of two annual magistrates exercising supreme authority in Roman republic; title of three chief magistrates of French Republic 1799-1804 (*First C~*, Napoleon); State agent residing in foreign town and protecting subjects there; || local representative of Cyclists' Touring Club. Hence ~SHIP n. [L (*con-* + *sal-* root of *salire* leap)]

con'sular, a. & n. Of a consul; (Roman) of ~ rank. [f. L *consularis* (as prec., see -AR¹)]

con'sulate, n. Office, establishment, of a (modern) consul; (period of) consular government in France; office of (Roman) consul. [f. L *consulatus* (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

con'sult, v.t. & i. Take counsel (with person or book, or abs.); seek information or advice from (person, book); ~ *one's pillow*, take a night for reflection; take into consideration (feelings, interests); ~ing *physician*, (who is called in by colleagues or applied to by patients for advice in special cases). Hence **con'sul'table**, **con'sul'tative**, a., **con'sultee'** n. [f. L *consulare* frequent. of *consulere* -sult- (as CONSULT)]

con'sul'tant, n. One who consults; consulting physician. [as prec., see -ANT]

con'sulta'tion, n. Act of consulting; deliberation; conference. [f. L *consultatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'sum'e, v.t. & i. Make away with; use up; eat, drink, up; spend, waste, (time, trouble, etc.); (p.p.) eaten up (*with envy*); (v.i.) waste away. Hence ~'ABLE a. & n. (usu. pl.), (article) intended for consumption (~able *ledger*, register of receipt and issue of such items). [f. L *con(sumere* sumpt- take up)]

con'sum'edl'y, adv. Excessively. [prec. -LY¹]

con'sum'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. (Pol. Econ.) user of an article, opp. to *producer*; ~s' *goods*, things which directly satisfy human wants and desires, e.g. food and clothing. [-ER¹]

con'summ'ate¹, a. Complete, perfect, as ~ *general*, *skill*, *ass.* Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *con(summare* complete f. *summus* utmost), see -ATE²]

con'summāt'e², v.t. Accomplish, complete, esp. marriage (by sexual intercourse). Hence ~IVE a., ~OR² n. [as prec., see -ATE²]

con'summā'tion, n. Completion (esp. of marriage, see prec.); desired end, goal; perfection; perfected thing. [f. OF *consummation* f. L *consummationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

con'sump'tion, n. Using up; destruction; waste; amount consumed; wasting disease, esp. *pulmonary* ~, phthisis. [f. L *consumptio* (as CONSUME, see -ION)]

con'sump'tive, a. & n. Tending to consume; tending to, affected with, consumption, whence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n.; (n.) ~ patient. [as CONSUME, see -IVE]

contābēs'cence, n. (bot.). Suppression of pollen formation in anthers of flowers. So ~ENT a. [f. L *con(tabescere* waste away f. *tabes* consumption), see -ENCE]

con'tact, n., & v.t. 1. State, condition, of touching, as *be in ~ with*; (fig.) *come into*

~ *with*, come across, meet: *make, break*, ~, complete, interrupt, electric circuit (so ~-*maker, -breaker*); (Math.) touching of straight line & curve, two curves, or two surfaces; (Med.) person likely to carry contagion through ~ with infected person; ~ *lenses*, glasses fitting inside eyelids. 2. v.t. (orig. U.S.). Get into touch with (person). [f. L *contactus* -*da* vbl n. f. *CON*(*lingere tact* = *tangere touch*)]

contadino (-ahdē-), n. (fem. -*na*; pl. -*ni* pr. -*nē*, fem. -*ne* pr. -*nā*). Italian peasant. [It.]

contagion (-jn), n. Communication of disease from body to body; contagious disease; moral corruption; contagious influence (fig.). [F, f. L *CON*(*tagionem* f. *tangere touch*, -ION)]

contagionist (-jon-), n. One who thinks a disease (plague, cholera, etc.) contagious. [-IST]

contagious (-jus), a. Communicating disease by contact (lit. & fig.); (of diseases) so communicable; (fig.) catching, infectious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-jus-). [f. OF *contagieux* f. LL *contagiosus* (as *CONTAGION*, see -OUS)]

contain, v.t. Have, hold, as contents; comprise, include; (of a measure) be equal to, as a *pound* ~s 16 ounces; (pass.) be included (*within* a space, *between* limits); (Geom.) enclose, form boundary of; (of numbers) be divisible by (number) without remainder; restrain, as *could not* ~ *himself* for joy, ~ *your anger*; (Mil.) keep (enemy force) from moving, esp. with a view to operations elsewhere. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n., (esp.) vessel, box, etc., designed to ~ some particular article(s). [f. OF *contenir* f. L *CON*(*tinēre* *tenē* = *tenēre* hold)]

contaminate, v.t. Pollute, infect. So **contaminat-ion** n. (also, in literary criticism, the blending of two plays, tales, etc., into one). [f. L *contaminare* f. *CON*(*tamen* f. *tag*-root of *tangere touch*), see -ATR²]

|| **contangō** (-ngg-), n. (pl. -*os*). Percentage paid by buyer of stock for postponement of transfer (cf. BACKWARDATION); ~ (also *continuation*)-day, second day before settling-day. [perh. = Sp. *contengo* I check, stop, f. *contener* f. L as **CONTAIN**]

conte (kawnt), n. Short story (as a form of literary composition). [F]

contemn (-m), v.t. (literary). Despise, treat with disregard. Hence ~ER¹ (-mn-) n. [f. OF *contemner* f. L *CON*(*temnere tempt*-)]

contemplāte, v.t. & i. Gaze upon; view mentally; expect; intend, purpose; (v.i.) meditate. So ~ATION n. (in ~ation, intended), ~ATOR² n. [f. L *CON*(*templari* f. *templum* TEMPLA, open space for observation, see -ATR²)]

contemplative (also *kontēm'pla-*), a. Meditative, thoughtful; (of life in middle

ages) given up to religious contemplation, opp. to *active*. Hence ~LY² (-v-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [OF (-*if*,-ive), f. L *contemplativus* (prec., -IVE)]

contemporāneous, a. Existing, occurring, at the same time (*with*); covering the same time; of the same period. Hence **contemporāne'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *CON*(*temporaneus* f. *templis* -oris time, see -ANEOUS)]

contem'porary, a. & n. (Person) belonging to the same time; (person) equal in age; (newspaper) published during same period. [CON-+TEMPORARY; in 18th c. *cotemporary* was preferred]

contem'porize, v.t. Make contemporary, cause to agree in time. [f. stem of prec. + -IZE]

contempt', n. Act, mental attitude, of despising; condition of being despised; *have, hold, in* ~, *bring, fall, into* ~; (Law) disobedience to sovereign's lawful commands or to authority of Houses of Parliament or other legislative body, esp. ~ of court, disobedience to, interference with administration of justice by, courts of law. [f. L *contemptus* -us (as **CONTEMN**)]

contemp'tible, a. Deserving contempt, despicable; *Old C* ~s, Sir J. French's army of 1914 (w. ref. to Kaiser's alleged 'French's ~ little army'). Hence **contemp'tibility**, ~NESS, nn., **contemp'tibly**² adv. [f. L *contemptibilis* (as **CONTEMN**, see -BLE)]

contemp'tuous, a. Showing contempt (of); scornful; insolent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [as **CONTEMPT** + -OUS]

contend', v.i. & t. Strive, fight, (*with* person for thing); struggle *with* (feelings, natural forces); compete, be in rivalry, as ~ing passions; argue (*with*); (v.t.) maintain (*that*). [f. L *CON*(*tendere* *tent*-stretch, strive)]

con'tent' (formerly, & still occas., *kontēnt'*), n. 1. (pl.) ~s of, what is contained in (vessel etc., book, document); (*table of*) ~s, summary of subject-matter of book. 2. Capacity (of vessel), volume (of solid). 3. (sing. only). Constituent elements of a conception; substance (of cognition, art, etc.), opp. *form*; amount (of some particular constituent) contained (the *ester* ~ of an oil), or yielded (the *sugar* ~ per acre of beet). [f. L as **CONTAIN**]

content'², n. Contented state, satisfaction, esp. to one's *heart's* ~. [f. **CONTENT** v. or a.]

content'³, a. & n. Satisfied; willing (*to do*); *well* ~, *well pleased*; || (House of Lords) ~, *not* ~, (= *ay*, *no*, in House of Commons); || (n. pl.) those who vote '~'. [F (as **CONTENT**²); orig. = bounded (in desires by what one has)]

content'⁴, v.t. Satisfy; ~ oneself, be satisfied (*with* thing, *with* doing). Hence

~edly² adv., ~edness, ~ment, nn. [f. F *contenter* (as prec.)]
contén'tion, n. Strife, dispute, controversy; emulation; point contended for in argument. [F, f. L *contentionem* (as *CONTEND*, see -ION)]
contén'tious (-shus), a. Quarrelsome; involving contention. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n., (-shus-). [f. F *contentieux* f. L *contentiosus* (as prec., see -IOUS)]
contér'minal, a. Having a common boundary. [f. med. L *conterminalis* (as foll., see -AL)]
contér'minous, a. Having a common boundary (*with, to*); (of two things) meeting at their ends; coextensive (in space, time, meaning). Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *con(terminus boundary) + OUS*]
cón'tést', n. Debate, controversy; strife; (friendly) competition. [f. foll.]
contést', v.t. & i. Debate, dispute (point, statement, etc.); strive in argument (*with, against*); strive for; dispute with arms (field, victory, issue, battle); contend or compete for (seat in Parliament etc.). Hence **contés'table** a. [f. F *contester* call to witness, argue, gainsay, f. L *contestari* (*lit*em) bring witnesses to an action, bring an action (*testis* witness)]
contés'tant, n. One who contests. [F (-ANT)]
contéstá'tion, n. Disputation; assertion contended for; *in* ~, in dispute. [f. L *contestatio* (as *CONTEST*, see -ATION)]
cón'téxt, n. Parts that precede or follow a passage & fix its meaning; *in this* ~ (connexion). So **contéxt'ual** a., **contéxt'ually** adv. [f. L *contextus* -ús f. *CON* (*texere* text-weave)]
contéxt'ure, n. Act, mode, of weaving together; structure; fabric; mode of literary composition. [F (as prec., see -URE)]
contigú'ity, n. Contact; proximity; (Psych.) proximity of ideas or impressions in place or time, as principle of association. [f. L *contiguitas* (as foll., see -TY)]
contig'uous, a. Touching, adjoining, (*to*); next in order (*to*); neighbouring. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *contiguus* f. *CON* (*tigere* touch) + *OUS*]
continent', a. Temperate; chaste. Hence or cogn. **cón'tinence** n., ~ly² adv. [OF, f. L as *CONTAIN*, see -ENT]
cón'tinent', n. Continuous land, mainland; || *the C.*, mainland of Europe; one of the main continuous bodies of land (Europe, Asia, Africa, N. & S. America, Australia). [as prec.]
continen'tal, a. & n. 1. Of a continent; ~ drift, (Geol.) supposed slow movement of the continents on a deep-seated plastic substratum; belonging to, characteristic of, the Continent, whence ~ism, ~ist, nn., ~ism v.t., ~ly² adv. 2. n. Inhabitant of the Continent; *(al.) currency note

of an early issue that rapidly depreciated (*I don't care a ~*). [-AL]
contin'gency (-j-), n. Uncertainty of occurrence; chance occurrence; thing that may happen hereafter; thing dependent on an uncertain event; thing incident to another, incidental expense etc. [f. L as foll., see -ENCY]
contin'gent (-j-), a. & n. 1. Of uncertain occurrence; accidental; incidental *to*; true only under existing conditions; non-essential; conditional. 2. n. Force contributed to form part of army etc. (or fig.). Hence ~ly² adv. [F, f. L *con(tingere* = *tangere* touch), see -ENT]
contin'ual, a. Always going on; very frequent. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. OF *continuel* f. L as *CONTINUOUS*, see -AL]
contin'üance, n. Going on, duration; of long ~, lasting long; remaining, stay, (*in* place, condition, etc.). [OF (*CONTINUUS*, -ANCE)]
contin'üant, a. & n. (Consonant) of which the sound can be prolonged (as *f v s r*), opp. of stop or check. [f. L as *CONTINUUS*, see -ANT]
continüá'tion, n. Carrying on, resumption, (of an action, course, story, book, etc.); || (Stock Exch.) carrying over an account to next ~ (or *CONTANGO*) -day; that by which a thing is continued, additional parts; gaiters continuous with knee-breeches; (sl.) trousers; ~ school (for additional teaching in leisure time of those who have left primary and other schools). [F, f. L *continuatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]
contin'üative, a. Tending, serving, to continue. [f. L *continuativus* (as prec., see -IVE)]
contin'üator, n. One who writes continuation to another's work. [f. L as foll., -OR¹]
contin'üe, v.t. & i. Maintain, keep up, (action etc.); retain (person in office etc.); take up, resume, (narrative etc. or abs.); (Law) adjourn; remain in existence; stay (*in, at, place, in a state*); if you ~ (are still) *obstinate*; not cease (*doing, to do*). Hence ~able a. [f. F *continuer* f. L *continuare* as *CONTINUOUS*]
continü'ity, n. State of being continuous; (Cinemat.) scenario; *law of* ~ (that all changes in nature are continuous, not abrupt). [f. F *continuité* f. L *continuitatem* (as foll., see -TY)]
contin'üous, a. (Of material things) connected, unbroken; uninterrupted in time or sequence; ~ brake of train, ~ series of carriage brakes controlled from one point; (Archit.) ~ style (with mullions of window continued in tracery); ~ voyage, one which, though interrupted, is regarded as a single voyage in ref. to the object with which it was undertaken. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [f. L *continuus* f. *CON* (*tinere* = *tenere* hold) + *OUS*]

contin'uum, n. (philos.). An unbroken mass or tissue or course of or of matter, sensation, events, etc. (SPACE-TIME ~). [L, neut. of *continuus*, see prec.]

cont'line, n. Spiral interval between strands of rope; space between casks stowed side by side. [†]

contorn'iate, a. & n. (Medal) with deep furrow round disk within edge. [f. It. *contorno* contour f. *contornare* compass about f. CON- + L *tornare* turn in lathe (*tornus*)]

contort', v.t. Twist, distort. [f. L CON- (*torguere* tort-)]

contor'tion, n. Twisting; twisted state (esp. of face or body). [f. L *contortio* (prec. -ION)]

contor'tionist (-sho-), n. Artist whose work, gymnast whose body, exhibits contortions. [-IST]

con'tour (-oor), n., & v.t. Outline; line separating differently coloured parts of design; artistic quality of outline; outline of coast, mountain mass, etc.; ~ *line*, one representing horizontal ~ of earth's surface at given elevation, as in a ~ *map*; (v.t.) mark with ~ *lines*, carry (road) round ~ of hill. [(vb f. n.) F, f. CON- (*tourner* TURN)]

con'tra, prep. & n. *Pro & ~* (usu. *con*), for & against; *pros & cons*, arguments for & against; (Bookkeeping) opposite side of account, esp. credit side. [L, as foll.]

contra-, pref. Against; in names of musical instruments & organ-stops, denoting a pitch of an octave below. [L]

con'traband, n. & a. 1. Prohibited traffic, smuggling; smuggled goods; ~ of war, anything forbidden to be supplied by neutrals to belligerents (*absolute*, *conditional*, ~, things that may under no, some, circumstances be supplied, as, *absolute* ~, weapons, *conditional* ~, cotton). 2. adj. Forbidden to be imported or exported, as ~ *goods*; concerned with these, as ~ *trade(r)*. [f. Sp. *contrabanda* f. It. CONTRA(*bando* proclamation f. LL *bandum* BAN)]

con'trabandist, n. Smuggler. [f. Sp. *contrabandista* (as prec., see -IST)]

con'trabass, n. = DOUBLE¹-bass. [f. It. CONTRA(*basso* BASS)]

con'tracép'tive, a. & n. Preventive of uterine conception. So **con'tracép'tion** n., use of ~s. [CONTRA- + (CON)CEPTION]

con'tract', n. Agreement between parties, States, etc.; business agreement for supply of goods or performance of work at fixed price; agreement enforceable by law (NUDE ~); accepted promise to do or forbear; formal agreement for marriage; conveyance of property; (Bridge) undertaking to make so many tricks; ~ *bridge*, a form of suction bridge in which only tricks bid and won count towards game. [OF, f. L *contractus* -A (as foll.)]

contract', v.t. & i. Enter into business or legal engagement (*to do, for doing, for piece of work, or abs.*); ~ oneself out of, ~ out of, or abs. ~ out, ~ for exemption or exclusion from provisions of (law etc.); ~ (enter into) *marriage*; form (friendship, habit); incur (debt); draw together (muscles, brow, etc.); make smaller, whence **contractibility** n., **contractible** a.; restrict, confine, (lit. & fig.); (Gram.) shorten (word) by combination or elision; shrink, become smaller; (p.p.) narrow, mean, (of ideas etc.). [f. L CON- (*trahere* tract- draw)]

contrac'tile (-il, -il), a. Capable of or producing contraction, as ~ *muscles, metal, force*. So **contractil'ity** n. [F (as prec., see -ILE)]

contrac'tion, n. Shrinking, contracting; restriction, confinement; shortening of word by combination or elision; contracted word; contracting (of debt, disease, habit). [F, f. L *contractio* (as prec., see -ION)]

contrac'tive, a. Serving to contract. [-IVE]

contrac'tor, n. Undertaker of contract; contracting muscle. [L (as CONTRACT², -OR²)]

contrac'tual, a. Of (the nature of) a contract. [as CONTRACT¹ + -AL]

con'tradict', v.t. Deny (statement); deny the words of (person); be contrary to, as *these rumours ~ each other*. Hence or cogn. **con'tradic'table** a., **con'tradic'tor'** n. [f. L CONTRA(*dicere* dict- say)]

con'tradic'tion, n. Denial; opposition; statement contradicting another; inconsistency; ~ in terms, plainly self-contradictory statement or words, as '*almost quite ready*' is a ~ in terms. [F, f. L *contradictionem* (as prec., -ION)]

con'tradic'tious (-shus), a. Inclined to contradict; disputatious. Hence ~LY² adv. ~NESS n. [-IOUS]

con'tradic'tor(y), a. & n. Making denial; mutually opposed or inconsistent; contradictory; (n.) ~y assertion. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *contradictorius* (as prec., see -ORY)]

con'tradistin'ction, n. Distinction by contrast. [CONTRA-]

con'tradistin'guish (-nggw-), v.t. Distinguish (things, one from another) by contrast. [CONTRA-]

con'trāl'tō, n. & a. (pl. -ōs). (Part assigned to, singer with) lowest female voice. [It. (CONTRA- + ALTO)]

con'traposi'tion (-z-), n. Opposition, contrast; (Logic) a mode of conversion (*if all A is B, then by ~ all not-B is not-A, or no not-B is A*). So **con'trapos'itive** (-z-) a. [f. L *contrapositio* (see -ION)]

con'traprop, n. Coaxial, oppositely rotating airscrew. [CONTRA-, PROP(ELLER)]

contrăp'tion, *n.* (sl.). Queer machine, makeshift contrivance. [perh. *f.* *contrive*, cf. *conceive*, *caption*]

contrăpūn'tal, *a.* Of or in counterpoint.

[*f.* It. *contra(p)unto* COUNTERPOINT + *-AL*]

contrăpūn'tist, *n.* One skilled in counterpoint. [*f.* It. *contra(p)puntista* (as prec., *-IST*)]

contrări'ant, *a.* Opposed (*to*). [*F.* *f.* mod. *L.* *contrariare* (as CONTRARY), see *-ANT*]

contrări'etȃ, *n.* Opposition in nature, quality, or action; disagreement, inconsistency. [*f.* OF *contrarietē f.* LL *contrarietatem* (as CONTRARY, see *-TY*)]

contrări'ous, *a.* (arch.). Opposed; perverse; (of things) adverse. [*f.* OF *contrarios f.* med. *L.* *contrariosus* (as prec., see *-OUS*)]

côn'trariwise (*-z*; also *kontră'-*), *adv.* On the other hand; in the opposite way; perversely. [*fol.* + *-WISE*]

côn'trari (see below), *a., n., adv.* 1. Opposed in nature or tendency (*to*); (of wind) impeding, unfavourable; the opposite (of two things); (pop., pron. *kontră'i*) perverse, self-willed, whence *contră'i-NESS n.*; opposite in position or direction. 2. *n.* The opposite; on the ~ (corroborating a denial expressed or understood, as *Have you nearly done?*—*On the ~, I have only just begun*); interpret by contraries, understand Yes for No etc.; to the ~, to the opposite effect, as *there is no evidence to the ~*. 3. *adv.* In opposition *to*, as *act ~ to nature*. Hence *côn'trarily*² *adv.* [*f.* OF *contrarie f.* *L.* *contrarius* (CONTRA, see *-ARY*)¹]

contrast¹ (*-ah*), *v.t. & i.* Set (two things, one *with* another) in opposition, so as to show their differences; show striking difference on comparison (*with*). [*f.* OF *contraster* (= It. *contrastare*) *f.* *L.* CONTRA (*stare* stand)]

côn'trast² (*-ah*), *n.* Juxtaposition (esp. of forms, colours, etc.) showing striking differences (*between*; *in ~ with*); thing showing such a difference (*to*). Hence *contras'ty*² (*-ah*) *a.*, exhibiting strong ~s (esp. of photographic negatives). [*f.* *F.* *contraste f.* It. *contrasto* (see prec.)]

côn'trate, *a.* ~ *wheel*, one with teeth at right angles to its plane. [CONTRA- + *-ATE*²]

contravall'ation, *n.* Chain of redoubts and breastworks placed by besiegers between their camp and the town. [*f.* *F.* *contravallation* (CONTRA-, see CIRCUMVALLATION)]

contravêne', *v.t.* Infringe (law); dispute (statement); (of things) conflict with. [*f.* *F.* *contrevenir f.* *L.* CONTRA (*venire* *vent-* come)]

contravén'tion, *n.* Infringement (*in ~ of*, violating). [*F.* (as prec., see *-ION*)]

contratempa (see *Ap.*), *n.* Unlucky accident; hitch. [*F.*]

contrib'ute, *v.t. & i.* Pay, furnish, (to common fund etc.); supply (literary article etc.); (*v.l.*) ~ *to*, help to bring about. [*f.* *L.* *contribuere -ul-* bestow]

côntrib'ution, *n.* Act of contributing; thing, help, literary article, contributed; imposition levied for support of army in the field; *lay under ~*, exact ~s from. [*F.* *f.* *L.* *contributionem* (as prec., see *-ION*)]

contrib'utor, *n.* One who contributes (esp. literary articles). [*f.* *AF.* *contributour* (as CONTRIBUTE, see *-OR*)²]

contrib'utory, *a. & n.* That contributes (~ *negligence*, of injured person who has failed to take proper precautions against accident); (*n.*) person liable, when a company fails, to share in paying off its debts. [CONTRIBUTE, *-ORY*]

côn'trite, *a.* Broken in spirit by sense of sin, completely penitent; (of actions) showing a ~ spirit. Hence ~LY² (*-tl-*) *adv.* [*f.* *F.* *contrit f.* *L.* *contritus* (*trid-* rub) bruise]

contri'tion, *n.* Being contrite, penitence. [*f.* OF *contrictum f.* *L.* *contritionem* (prec., *-ION*)¹]

contriv'ance, *n.* Act of contriving; deceitful practice; invention; mechanical device; inventive capacity. [*-ANCE*]

contriv'e, *v.t.* Invent, devise; bring to pass, manage, (thing, to) *do*; also of undesired event, as ~ *to make matters worse*; (abs.) manage household affairs (*well* etc.), whence ~ER¹ *n.* Hence ~ABLE *a.* [*f.* OF *CON(trover) find f.* *L.* *turbare* disturb, stir up]

contrôl'¹, *n.* Power of directing, command; restraint; means of restraint, check; standard of comparison for checking inferences deduced from experiment; (Spirit.) personality actuating a medium; station at which aeroplanes, motors, etc., in races are allowed time to stop for overhauling etc.; section of road in which a (racing) motor vehicle has to observe certain instructions (as to speed etc.); (pl.) various devices in aircraft used to control altitude, direction, speed, etc. [perh. *f.* *F.* *contrôle* for *contrerolle* copy of a roll *f.* med. *L.* CONTRA (*rotulus* see ROLL); but prob. *f.* *fol.*]

contrôl'², *v.t. (-ll-)*. Dominate, command; hold in check (oneself, one's anger); check, verify; regulate (prices etc.). Hence ~l'ABLE *a.*, ~MENT *n.* [*f.* *F.* *contrôler* OF *contreroller* keep copy of roll of accounts (as prec.)]

contrôll'er, *n.* In vbl senses; also one who checks expenditure, steward, || esp. of royal household, Mint, Navy, etc. (often spelt *compt.*). Hence ~SHIP *n.* [*f.* OF *contre-roller* (as prec., see *-OR*)²; spelling *compt.* by confus. w. obs. *compte* count]

controvér'sial (*-shl*), *a.* Of, open to, given to, controversy. Hence ~ISM, ~IST, *nn.*, ~LY² *adv.*, (*-sha-*). [*f.* *L.* *controversialis* (as foll., *-AL*)¹]

côn'trovérsy, *n.* Disputation; *without, beyond, ~*, unquestionably. [*f. L controversia* (as foll., see -*y*¹)]

côn'trovért (*also* -*vért'*), *v.t.* Dispute about, discuss; dispute, deny. Hence *~IST* *n.* [*f. L controversus* turned against, opposed (*contro-* against + *p.p.* of *vertere* turn) whence *~controvertere* was assumed] **côn'tumá'cious** (-*shus*), *a.* Insubordinate, disobedient, esp. to order of court. Hence or cogn. *~LY*² *adv.*, *~NESS*, **côn'túmacy**, *nn.* [*f. L con(tumax -acis* perh. *f. tumēre* swell or *temere* despise), see -*ACIOUS*]

côn'tumél'ious, *a.* Opprobrious; insolent. Hence *~LY*² *adv.* [*f. OF contumélius f. L contumeliosus* (as foll., see -*OUS*)]

côn'tumély (*or* -*mi-*), *n.* Insolent, reproachful, language or treatment; disgrace. [*f. OF contumelie f. L contumelia* (of. *CONTUMACIOUS*)]

contúse' (-*z*), *v.t.* Injure by blow without breaking skin, bruise. So **contú'sION** (-*shn*) *n.* [*f. L con(tundere tus-* thump)]

conú'drum, *n.* Riddle; hard question. [*f. cōnūrbā'tion*, *n.* Aggregation of urban districts. [*CON-*, *L urbs urbis* city, -*ATION*]

cōnvalē'sce, *v.i.* Regain health. [*f. L con(valēscere* incept. of *valēre* be well)]

cōnvalēs'cent, *a. & n.* (Person) recovering from sickness; *~ent hospital* (for -*ents*). So *~ENCE* *n.* [as prec., see -*ENT*]

convēc'tion, *n.* Transportation of heat or electricity, by movement of heated or electrified substance. [*f. L convectio f. con(vehere vect-* carry), see -*ION*]

convēn'ance (see *Ap.*), *n.* (usu. pl.). Conventional propriety. [*F*]

convēn'e, *v.t. & i.* Assemble (*t. & i.*); convoke (assembly); summon (person before tribunal). Hence *~ABLE* *a.* [*f. F convenir f. L con(venire vent-* come) assemble, agree, fit]

convē'ience, *n.* Suitableness, commodiousness; material advantage, as *marriage of ~*; personal comfort, as *at your ~*, in a way, at a time, convenient to you advantage, as *a great ~*; *make a ~ of one*, utilize him unconsciously, abuse his good nature; useful appliance; || water-closet; (arch.) vehicle; (pl.) material comforts. [*f. L convenientia* (as prec., see -*ENCE*)]

convē'ient, *a.* Suitable, commodious not troublesome, as *if it is ~ to you*. Hence *~LY*² *adv.* [as *CONVENIENS*, see -*ENT*]

cōn'vent, *n.* Religious community (usu. women, of. *MONASTERY*) living together; building occupied by this. [*f. AF covent* (of. *Covent Garden*) *f. OF convent f. L conventus -ūs* (as prec.)]

|| **convē'n'icle**, *n.* (hist.). Clandestine religious meeting, esp. of Nonconformists or Dissenters; building used for this. [*f. L conventiculum* (place of) assembly, dim. as prec.]

convēn'tion, *n.* Act of convening; formal assembly, esp. (Eng. Hist.) of Parliament without summons of King, 1660 & 1688; agreement between parties; general (often tacit) consent; practice based on this; accepted method of play (in leading, bidding, etc.) in various card games. [*F, f. L conventionem* (as *CONVENIENS*, see -*ION*)] **convēn'tional** (-*sho-*), *a.* Depending on convention, not natural, not spontaneous; (Art) following traditions. Hence *~ISM*, *~IST*, *~ITY* (-*āl*), *nn.*, *~IZE* *v.t.*, *~LY*² *adv.* [*f. L conventionalis* (as prec., -*AL*)]

convēn'tionary (-*sho-*), *a. & n.* (Tenant, tenure) on terms orig. fixed by convention, not by custom. [*f. med. L conventarius* (as prec., -*ARI*²)]

convēn'tūal, *a. & n.* (Member, inmate) of a convent; (member) of the less strict branch of Franciscans, living in large convents. [*f. med. L conventualis* (as *CONVENT*, see -*AL*)]

convérge, *v.i. & t.* (Of lines) tend to meet in a point (also fig.); (Math., of series) approximate in the sum of its terms towards a definite limit; (trans.) cause to ~. So **convér'gence**, -*ENCY*, *nn.*, **convér'gent** *a.* [*f. LL con(vergere VERGE)*]

convērs'able, *a.* Easy, pleasant, in conversation; fit for social intercourse. Hence *~LENESS* *n.*, *~LY*² *adv.* [*F, f. med. L conversabilis* (as foll., see -*BLE*)]

cōn'versance, -*cý*, *n.* Familiarity, acquaintance, (*with*). [as foll., see -*ANCE*]

cōn'versant, *a.* Having frequent intercourse, well acquainted, (*with* person, subject, etc.); (of things) concerned (*in, about, with*). [*f. L conversari CONVERSE*¹, see -*ANT*]

convērsā'tion, *n.* Talk, whence *~IST* (-*sho-*) *n.*; *~ (piece)*, kind of genre painting of group of figures; sexual intercourse, as *criminal ~* (cf. *CON-FLEXION*). [*OF, f. L conversationem* (as prec., see -*ATION*)]

convērsā'tional (-*sho-*), *a.* Fond of, good at, pertaining to, conversation. Hence *~IST* *n.*, *~LY*² *adv.* [-*AL*]

convērsāz'ion (-*āts-*), *n.* (pl. -*nes*, -*ni* pr. -*nē*). Soirée given by learned or art society. [*It., f. L as CONVERSATION*]

convērs'e¹, *v.i.* Talk (*with* person, *on, about*, subject). [*f. F converser f. L conversari* keep company (*with*), frequent. as *CONVERS*¹]

cōn'ver'se², *n.* (arch.). Discourse; intercourse. [*f. prec.*]

cōn'ver'se³, *a. & n.* 1. Opposite, contrary. 2. *n.* (Logic) converted proposition; form of words produced by transposition of some terms of another (*he had learning without wealth* is the *~ of he had wealth without learning*); (Math.) *this proposition is the ~ of the former* (assumes its conclu-

- sion & proves its datum). Hence ~LY² (-al) adv. [as CONVERT¹]
- conversion** (-shn), n. Transposition, inversion, esp. (Logic) of subject & predicate (*if no A is B, then by ~ no B is A*); bringing over (to an opinion, party, faith, etc.); turning of sinners to God; changing (to, into); change (of debentures, stocks, etc.) into others of different character. [F, f. L *conversionem* (as foll., see -ION)]
- convert**¹, v.t. Change (into); cause to turn (to opinion, faith, etc.), cf. PERVERT; turn to godliness; (Stocks etc.) see prec.; (Logic) see prec.; (Rugby football) complete (a try) by kicking goal (also abs.). Hence ~ER¹ n., (esp.) large retort used in Bessemer steel process. [f. L *convertere vers-* turn about]
- convert**², n. Person converted, esp. to religious faith or life. [f. prec.]
- convertible**, a. That may be converted; ~ terms, synonymous; (of paper-money) exchangeable for specie; ~ husbandry, rotation of crops. Hence CONVERTIBLE¹ n., CONVERTIBLY² adv. [F, f. LL *convertibilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]
- convex**, a. Curved like the outside of circle or sphere (cf. CONCAVE). Hence or cogn. CONVEXITY n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *convexus* prob. = *convectus* p.p. of *convectere* bring]]
- convex**^o- in comb. Convex and —, as ~concave. [as prec., see -o-]
- convey**¹ (-vā), v.t. Transport, carry; transmit (sound, smell, etc.); impart, communicate, (idea, meaning); (Law) make over (property to, or abs.). Hence ~ABLE (-ā'a-) a., ~ER¹ (-ā'er), ~OR¹ (-ā'or), nn., (esp.) mechanical contrivance for ~ing heavy articles or materials (*coal-~er*; ~or belt). [f. OF *convoyer*, mod. *convoyer* (voie, voie, f. L via way)]
- conveyance** (-ā'a-), n. Carrying; transmission; communication (of ideas etc.); (document effecting) transference of property; carriage, vehicle. [-ANCE]
- conveyancer** (-ā'a-), n. Lawyer who prepares documents for conveyance of property. [-ER¹]
- conveyancing** (-ā'a-), n. Work of prec. [-ING¹]
- convict**¹, n. Condemned criminal undergoing penal servitude. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [f. obs. adj. *convict* (as foll.)]
- convict**², v.t. Prove guilty (of offence) declare guilty by verdict of jury or decision of judge; impress (person) with sense of error. Hence CONVICTIVE a. [f. L *convincere vict-* conquer]
- conviction**, n. Proving or finding guilty summary ~ (by judge or magistrates without jury); act of convincing; settled belief; (Theol.) awakened consciousness of sin. [f. L *convictio* (as prec., see -ION)]
- convincible**, v.t. Firmly persuade (of, that; esp. pass.); produce in (person) a moral conviction (of sin etc.). Hence ~MENT (-sm-), ~INGNESS, nn., ~INGLY² adv. [as CONVICT¹]
- convincible**, a. Open to conviction. [as prec., see -IBLE]
- convivial**, a. Of, befitting, a feast; festive, jovial. Hence ~IST, CONVIVIALITY, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *convivialis* f. *convivium* feast f. *conviva* fellow feaster f. *CON(vivere)* live]
- convocation**, n. Calling together; assembly; || (Ch. of Eng.) synod of clergy of province of Canterbury or York; || legislative assembly of Oxford or Durham Univ. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. L *convocatio* (as foll., -ATION)]
- convöke**¹, v.t. Call together, summon to assemble. [f. F *convoyer* f. L *CON(vocare)* call]
- convolute** (-vöt), a. & n. (bot., conch.). Rolled together, coiled; (n.) coil. [as CONVOLVE]
- convoluted** (-vöt-), a. (zool.). Colled, twisted. [f. vb *convolute* (as prec.), otherwise rare]
- convolution** (-vö-), n. Colling, twisting; fold, twist. [as foll., see -ION]
- convolve**, v.t. & i. Roll together, roll up, (esp. in p.p.). [f. L *CON(volvere volut-)* roll]
- convolvulus**, n. (pl. -luses). Kinds of twining plant including bindweed. [L, as prec. with dim. suf.]
- convoy**¹, v.t. (Of ship of war) escort (merchant or passenger vessel); escort with armed force; (arch.) conduct (guests, lady, etc.). [f. F as CONVEY]
- convoy**², n. Act of conveying; protection; escort (for honour or protection); company, supply of provisions, etc., under escort; number of merchant ships under escort or able to defend themselves. [f. F *convoy* (as prec.)]
- convulse**¹, v.t. Shake violently (lit. & fig.); throw into convulsions (usu. pass.); cause to be violently seized with laughter (usu. pass.). [f. L *CON(vellere vuls-)* pull]
- convulsion** (-shn), n. Violent irregular motion of limb or body due to involuntary contraction of muscles (usu. pl., & esp. as a disorder of infants); (pl.) violent fit of laughter; violent social or political agitation; violent physical disturbance. Hence ~ARY¹ (-sho-) a. [f. L *convulsio* (as prec., see -ION)]
- convulsive**, a. Attended or affected with, producing, convulsions (lit. & fig.). Hence ~LY² (-vī-) adv. [CONVULSE, -vī-]
- conv'y**, -ney, n. (pl. -ies, -eys). Rabbit (now used only in statutes etc., & as shop name for the fur); (Bibl.) small pachyderm of Palestine living in clefts of rocks, hyrax; (arch.) ~catcher, sharper. [sing. f. pl. *conies* f. OF *conis* pl. of *conail* f. L *coniculus* rabbit, etym. dub.; formerly pron. *kā-*]
- cöö**, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) soft murmuring sound of or as of doves & pigeons; bill &

~, converse amorously; say ~ingly. [imit.]

cōō'ee, cōō'ey, n., & v.i. (Make) sound adopted as signal by Australian colonists from the aborigines. [imit.]

cōōk', n. One whose business is to cook food; too many ~s spoil the broth, one director is enough; ~house, camp kitchen, outdoor kitchen in warm countries, (on ship, also ~room) galley; ~shop, eating-house. [OE *coc* f. *L coquus*]

cōōk', v.t. & i. Prepare (food or abs.) by heat; (v.i.) undergo ~ing; (also ~ up) concoct (fig.); (colloq.) tamper with (accounts etc.); || (sl., of exertion etc.) exhaust (runner etc., esp. in p.p.); ~ his goose, do for him, settle his hash. [prec.]

cōōk'er, n. Cooking-apparatus, -stove; vessel food is cooked in; fruit etc. that cooks well; one who cooks (accounts etc.) or concocts. [-EE']

cōōk'ery, n. Art, practice, of cooking; ~book (dealing with ~). [-EE']

cōōk'ie, n. (So.) plain bun; *small flat cake, biscuit. [prob. f. Du. *koekje* dim. of *koek* cake]

cōōk'y, n. (colloq.). (Usu. female) cook. [-Y']

cōōl', a. & n. Moderately cold; (Hunt.) ~ scent (faint, weak); unexcited, calm; lacking zeal, lukewarm; wanting cordiality; calmly audacious, as a ~ hand (person); (complacently or emphat. of large sums of money) *it cost me a ~ thousand*; (n.) ~ air, ~ place, ~ness; ~headed, not easily excited; ~ tankard, ~ing drink of wine, water, lemon-juice, etc. Hence ~ish' a., ~ly' (-l-ly) adv., ~ness n. [OE *cōl* f. OTeut. *kōlus* (*kāl* = *L gel-* cold)]

cōōl', v.i. & t. Become cool (lit. & fig.; also ~ down); make cool (lit. & fig.); ~ one's coffers; ~ one's heels, be kept waiting. [OE *cōlian* f. OTeut. *kōlōfan* (as prec.)]

cōōl'ant, n. Liquid applied to edge of cutting tool etc. to lessen friction. [cool', -ANT]

cōōl'er, n. Vessel in which a thing is cooled, as wine, butter, ~; ~refrigerator; (sl.) prison cell. [-EE']

cōōl'ie, -ly, n. Indian or Chinese hired labourer. [f. Hind. *quāi*]

cōōlth, n. (colloq. or joc.). Coolness. [f. cool', after *warmth*]

coomb, || combe, (kōōm, n. Valley on flank of hill; short valley running up from coast. [OE *cumb*, etym. dub.]

*cōōn, n. = RACCOON; sly fellow; (colloq.) a negro; gone ~, one whose case is hopeless. [abbr.]

cōōm-cān', n. (Also *conguian) simple two-handed card-game (orig. Mexican). [f. Sp. *con guien* with whom?]

cōōp', n. Basket placed over sitting or

fattening fowls; fowl-run; || basket used in catching fish. [=ME *cupe* basket; cf. G *kufe* cask]

cōōp', v.t. Put in coop; confine (persons; also ~ up, in). [f. prec.]

cōōp'er', n., & v.t. Maker of casks for dry goods (*dry* ~) or liquids (*wet* ~); white ~, maker of pails, tubs, etc.; (on ship) repairer of casks etc.; (also wine ~) one who samples, bottles, or retails wine; equal mixture of stout & porter; (v.t.) repair (cask), stow in casks, furbish up. [vb f. n. f. med. *L cuparius* (as prec., -ARY')]]

cooper', see COPEP'.

cōōp'era'ge, n. Cooper's work or workshop. So cōōp'ERY(3) n. [-AGE]

cō-ōp'er'āte, v.i. Work together (with person in a work, to an end); (of things) concur in producing an effect. So ~ANT a. & n., ~ātor' n. [f. *L co* (operari f. *opus* operis work), see -ATE']]

cō-ōp'er'ātion, n. Working together to same end; (Pol. Econ.) co-operative combination. [f. *L cooperatio* (as prec., see -ION)]]

cō-ōp'era'tive, a. Of, tending to, co-operation; (Pol. Econ.) ~ society (for production or distribution of goods, profits being shared by members), ~ store (belonging to ~ society). Hence ~LY' (-vl-) adv. [as CO-OPERATE, see -IVE]

cō-ōpt', v.t. Elect into body by votes of existing members. So cō-ōpt'a'tion n. [f. *L co* (optare choose)]]

cō-ōrd'inate', a. & n. 1. Equal in rank, esp. (Gram.) of clauses of compound sentences (cf. SUBORDINATE); consisting of ~ things. 2. n. ~ thing, esp. (Math.) each of a system of magnitudes used to fix position of point, line, or plane. Hence ~LY' (-tl-) adv. [f. *co-* + *L ordinare* (*ordo* -his order), see -ATE']]

cō-ōrd'in'āte', v.t. Make co-ordinate; bring (parts) into proper relation. Hence ~A'tion n., ~ātive a. [prec., -ATE']]

cōōt, n. Name of several swimming & diving birds, esp. the *Bald O*~, web-footed bird with base of bill extended to form white plate on forehead, whence *bald* as a ~. [ME *cote* = Du. *koet*, etym. dub.]

cōōt'ie, n. (Army sl.). Body-louse. [etym. dub., perh. f. Hind. *khuthi* scab]

cōp', n. (spinning). Conical ball of thread wound upon spindle. [OE *cop* top]

cōp', n. (sl.). Policeman. [cf. foll., COPPER']]

cōp', v.t. (-pp-), & n., (sl.). 1. Catch (~ it, catch it, be punished). 2. n. Capture (chiefly in phr. *a fair* ~). [f.]

copal'ba, -va, (-pt-, -pā-), n. Aromatic balsam used in medicine & the arts. [(ba) Sp., f. Braz. *copacaba*]

cōp'al, n. Kinds of resin used for varnish. [Sp., f. Mex. *copalli* incense]

cōpār'cēnārý, -erý, cōpār'cēner, nn.
= PARCENARY, PARCENER. [CO-]

cōpār't'ner, n. Partner, sharer, associate.
Hence ~SHIP *n.* (labour) ~ship, system
designed to interest workmen in their
business by means of profit-sharing).
[CO-]

cōpār't'nerý, n. Copartnership. [f. prec.,
see -ERY(2)]

cōpe¹, n. (Ecol.) long cloak worn by
ecclesiastics in processions; (fig.) ~
(cloak) of night, ~ (canopy) of heaven;
(Founding) outer portion of mould; ~
COPIING; ~-stone, head stone of building,
finishing touch. [f. med. L *capa* CAP]

cōpe², v.t. & i. Furnish with a cope;
cover (wall etc.) with COPIING; cover as
with a vault; (v.i.) ~ over, project like
a coping. [f. prec.]

cōpe³, v.i. Contend evenly, grapple suc-
cessfully, with (person, task). [f. F
couper strike (COUP)]

cōp'ēck, n. Russian copper coin (the
hundredth part of a rouble). [f. Russ.
kopeika dim. of *kopyé* lance]

|| cōp'er¹, n. (Also horse~) horse-dealer.
[f. obs. *cope* buy, barter (as foll.)]

cōp'er², coop'er² (kō), n. Floating grog-
shop for North Sea fishers. [f. Flem. &
Du. *kooper* f. *koopen* buy (cf. CHEAP)]

Cōpēr'n'ican, a. ~ system, theory, (that
the planets, including earth, move round
sun). [f. *Copernicus* latinized f. *Kopper-
nik*, astronomer (d. 1543) + -AN]

cōp'ing, n. Top (usu. sloping) course of
masonry in wall; overhanging ledge pro-
tecting wall-fruit; ~-stone (used for ~).
[COPE² + -ING¹]

cōp'ious, a. Plentiful; abounding in in-
formation; profuse in speech; (of lan-
guages) having large vocabulary. Hence
~LY² adv., ~NESS *n.* [f. L *copiosus* (copia
plenty, see -OUS)]

cōpp'er¹, n., a., & v.t. 1. Reddish malle-
able ductile metal; bronze (formerly ~)
coin, penny, halfpenny, farthing; cooking
or laundry boiler of iron or ~; hot ~s,
mouth & throat parched by drinking,
cool one's ~s (by drinking); ~ beech (kind
with ~-coloured leaves); ~-bit, soldering
tool pointed with ~; ~-bottom v.t.,
sheathe bottom of (ship) with ~ (esp. in
p.p.); || ~ captain, sham captain; ~ Indian,
red Indian of N. America; ~head, veno-
mous American snake; ~plate, polished
~ plate for engraving or etching, print
from this, (adj., of writing) neat; ~smith,
one who works in ~. 2. v.t. Cover (ship's
bottom etc.) with ~. Hence ~Y¹ *a.* (esp.,
~-coloured). [(vb f. n.) OE *coper* f. pop.
L *cuprum*, L *Cyprium* (aes), Cyprian
metal]

|| cōpp'er², n. (sl.). Policeman. [of. COP¹]

cōpp'erás, n. Sulphate of iron, green
vitriol. [f. med. L *cup(c)rosa* perh. = *agua
cuprosa* copper water]

cōpp'ice, n. Small wood of underwood &

small trees, grown for periodical cutting;
~wood, underwood. [f. OF *copeis* f. LL
+ *colpaticum* f. *colpare* cut (colpus f. L f.
Gk *kolaphos* blow, cuff)]

cōp'ra, n. Dried kernels of coco-nut.
[Port., prob. f. Malayalam *koppara* coco-
nut]

cōp'ro- in comb. = Gk *kopros* dung, as:
~life, fossil dung, so -ll'ic *a.*; ~logy (-ōl'),
treatment of filthy subjects in literature
etc.; ~phagous (-ōf'), (of beetles) dung-
eating.

|| cōpse, n., & v.t. = COFFICE; ~wood,
underwood; (v.t.) treat as ~wood, cover
with ~s. Hence cōp'sy² *a.* [syncope.
form of COFFICE]

Cōpt, n. Native Egyptian Christian of
Jacobite sect of Monophysites. [f. Copt.
gyptios, *kyptaios*, f. Gk *Aiguptios* Egypt-
tian]

Cōp'tic, a. & n. (Language) of the Copts.
[-IC]

cōp'ul'a, n. (Logic, Gram.) verb *be* (as
mere sign of predication); (Anat.) con-
necting part (bone, cartilage, ligament);
(Mus.) short connecting passage. Hence
~AR¹ *a.* [L (CO- + *ap-* fasten + dim. suf.)]

cōp'ul'āte, v.i. Unite sexually. Hence
~ATORY *a.* [f. L *copulare* fasten together
(prec.), see -ATE³]

cōp'ulā'tion, n. Sexual union; grammati-
cal or logical connexion. [F, f. L *copula-
tionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

cōp'ulā'tive, a. & n. Serving to connect;
(Gram.) connecting words or clauses that
are connected in sense (cf. DISJUNCTIVE),
also, connecting subject & predicate;
(Zool., Anat.) relating to sexual union;
(n.) ~ conjunction or particle. Hence
~LY² (-vl-) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *copula-
tīvus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

cōp'y¹, n. Reproduction (of writing,
picture, etc.); imitation; page written
after model (of penmanship); || (Law)
transcript of manorial court-roll, con-
taining entries of admissions of tenants
to land hence called COPYHOLD; written
or printed specimen (of book etc.); rough,
foul, ~, original draft; fair, clean, ~
(transcribed from rough ~); ~ of verses,
short set as school exercise; fair ~, model
version of this; model to be copied;
manuscript or matter to be printed (ac-
cident etc. will make good ~), lends itself to
interesting narration in newspapers etc.);
~book, one containing copies for learners
to imitate; ~book maxims, morality (com-
monplace). [f. F *copie* f. L *copia* abun-
dant, in phr. *dare copiam legendi* give the
power of reading, i.e., give a copy]

cōp'y², v.t. & i. Transcribe (from original),
whence ~IST *n.*; make copy of; imitate;
crib from neighbour in examination;
~cat (colloq.), slavish imitator. [f. F
copier f. med. L *copiare* (as prec.)]

|| cōp'yhōld, n. & a. Tenure by COPY¹;
(land) so held. Hence ~ER¹ *n.*

cōp'yrīght (-rīt), n. & a., & v.t. Exclusive right given by law for term of years to author, designer, etc., or his assignee to print, publish, or sell, copies of his original work; (adj.) protected by ~ (of books etc.); (v.t.) secure ~ for (book etc.).

coque (kōk), n. Small loop of ribbon; (in mod. use, pr. kōk, attrīb.) applied to feathers used in trimming, in boas, etc. [F, = a shell]

coquet¹ (-kēt), a. Coquettish. [F (orig. noun, dim. of *coq* cock)]

coquet², **coquette**², (-kēt), v.i. (-tt-). Play the coquette; flirt (*with*); dally, trifle, *with* (matter, proposal, etc.). [f. F *coqueter* f. prec.]

cōquetry (-kīt-), n. Coquettish behaviour or act; (fig.) trifling; attractive prettiness as result of art. [f. F *coquetterie* (*coqueter*, as prec., see -ERY)]

coquette¹ (-kēt), n. Woman who trifles with man's affections; crested hummingbird. Hence ~ISH¹ a., ~ishly¹ adv., (-kēt-). [F, fem. of *COQUET*]

coqui'tō (-kō-), n. Chilian palm-tree yielding palm-honey. [Sp., dim. of *coco* coco-nut]

cor-, pref. = COM- before r.

|| **cō'racle**, n. Wicker boat covered with watertight material used on Welsh & Irish lakes & rivers. [f. W *currag* f. *currag* = Ir. *curach* boat]

cō'raco- in comb. (anat.). Of the *coracoid* process (beak-shaped process extending from shoulder-blade towards breast-bone). [f. Gk *korax* -akos crow]

cō'ral, n. & a. Hard calcareous substance (red, pink, white, etc.) secreted by many tribes of marine polyps for support & habitation; ~ref, accumulation of this; toy of polished ~ for children cutting teeth; unimpregnated roe of lobster; (adj.) like ~, esp. red; ~island (formed by growth of ~); ~rag, limestone containing beds of petrified ~s. [OF, f. L *corallum* f. Gk *korallion*]

coralli- in comb. Coral, as -ferous, -form, bearing, shaped like, coral. [as prec., see -i-]

cō'ralline¹, n. Genus of seaweeds with calcareous jointed stem; (pop.) name of various plant-like compound animals; ~zone of sea-depths, that in which these abound. [f. It. *corallina* dim. of *corallo* CORAL]

cō'ralline² (-ī-, -ī-), a. Coral-red; ~ware, Italian red-paste pottery (17th-18th c.); like, composed of, coral. [f. L *corallinus* (CORAL, -INE²)]

cō'rallite, n. Fossil coral; coral skeleton of polyp; coralline marble. [-ITE¹]

cō'ralloid, a. & n. (Organism) like, akin to, coral. [-OID]

cōr'ām, prep. (w. abl. case). In the presence of (*justice*, *judō'ist*), a judge, *pōp'ūlō*, the public, etc.). [L]

cor anglais (kōr ahng'glā), n. The tenor oboe. [F, = English horn]

cōrb'el, n., & v.t. & i. (-l-). (Archit.) projection of stone, timber, etc., jutting out from wall to support weight, whence ~LED² (-ld) a.; (also ~block) short timber laid on wall or pier longitudinally under beam; ~table, projecting course resting on ~s; (v.t. & i.) ~out, off, (cause to) project on ~s. [(v.b. f. n.) OF, f. LL *corvellus* dim. of *corvus* raven]

cōrb'ie, n. (Sc.). Raven; carrion crow; ~steps, step-like projections on sloping sides of gable. [f. OF *corb* CORNELL + -Y²]

cōrd, n., & v.t. Thin rope, thick string; (Anat.) ~like structure in animal body, as SPINAL, UMBILICAL, ~, VOCAL ~s; ~like rib on cloth; ribbed cloth, esp. corduroy; ~s, corduroy breeches or trousers; measure of cut wood (usu. 128 cub. ft.); (fig.) ~s of discipline, fourfold ~ of evidence, etc.; (v.t.) blind with ~. [(v.b. f. n.) f. F *corde* f. L f. Gk *khordē* gut, string of musical instrument]

cōrd'age, n. Cords, ropes, esp. in rigging of ship. [F (as prec. + -AGE)]

cōrd'ate, a. Heart-shaped. [f. L *cor cordis* heart, see -ATE¹]

cōrd'ed, a. Bound with cords; furnished with cords; (of cloth etc.) ribbed. [-ED², -i]

cōrd'elier¹, n. Franciscan friar of strict rule (wearing knotted cord round waist). [F (*cordelle* dim. as CORD, see -IER)]

cōrd'ial, a. & n. (Medicine, food, drink) that stimulates the heart, esp. (Commerce.) aromatized & sweetened spirit; hearty, sincere; warm, friendly, whence ~ITY¹ (-āl) n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *cordialis* (cor *cordis* heart, -AL)]

cōrd'iller'a (-lyāra), n. Mountain ridge (one of parallel series), esp. of the Andes & same system in Central America & Mexico. [Sp.]

cōrd'ite, n. A smokeless explosive. [f. CORD (from its appearance) + -ITE²]

cōrd'on, n. Projecting course of stone in wall; chain of military posts; line or circle of police etc.; (also *sanitary* ~) guarded line between infected & uninfected districts; ornamental cord or braid; (pron. as F) ribbon of knightly order (~ *bleu*, see Ap., loc., first-class cook); fruit-tree pruned to grow as single stem. [F (as CORD, see -OON)]

cōrd'ovan, a. & n. (Leather) of Cordova. [f. Sp. *cordovan* (o)]

cōrd'uoy, n. & a. Coarse thick ribbed cotton stuff, orig. worn chiefly by labourers; (pl.) ~ trousers; ~road, of tree-trunks laid across swamp. [perh. f. F *corde du roi* king's cord]

cōrd'wain, n. (arch.). Spanish leather formerly used for shoes. [f. OF *cordoan* CORDOAN]

cord'wainer, n. Shoemaker (now only as guild-name etc.). [f. OF *cordoanier*, as prec.]

cōre, n., & v.t. Horny capsule containing seeds of apple, pear, etc.; central part cut out (esp. of rock in boring); bar of soft iron forming centre of electro-magnet or induction coil; internal mould filling space to be left hollow in a casting; central strand of rope; innermost part, as (fig.) *rotten at the ~*, *English to the ~*; heart; a disease, tumour, in sheep; (v.t.) remove ~ from, whence **cōr'ER** (2) n. Hence ~LESS (-ri-) a. [?]

cō-rela'tion. See CORRELATION.

cō-rēli'gionist (-jo-), n. Adherent of same religion. [-IST]

cōrēōp'sis, n. Plant with rayed usu. yellow flowers. [mod. L, f. Gk *koris* bug, *opsis* appearance, w. ref. to shape of seed]

cō-rēspōn'dent, n. Person proceeded against together with the RESPONDENT in divorce suit. [CO-]

|| **cōr**, n. Large basket formerly used in mining; basket in which fish are kept alive in water. [cf. Du. *korf*, G *korb*, perh. f. L *corbis*]

cōrg'i (-gī), -gŷ, n. Small Welsh dog. [W] **cōriā'ceous** (-shus), a. Like leather, leathery. [f. L *coriaceus* (*corium* leather, see -ACROUS)]

cōriān'der, n. Annual plant with aromatic fruit (pep. called ~ seed) used for flavouring. [F, f. L *coriandrum* f. Gk *korionnon*]

Corin'thian, a. & n. (Native) of Corinth; (arch.) man of fashion & pleasure; *Epistles to the ~s*, books in N.T.; (Archit.) ~ order, one of the three Grecian ORDERS, having bell-shaped capital with rows of acanthus leaves, whence ~ESQUE' a. [f. L f. Gk *Korinthios* (*Korinthos*) + -AN]

cōrk, n. & a., & v.t. 1. Bark of ~oak (~tree); piece of ~ used as float for fishing line etc. (*like a ~*, buoyant, recovering quickly from depression etc.); bottle-stopper of ~; (Bot.) inner division of the bark in higher plants; (adj.) made of ~, as ~ jacket (for supporting person in water); ~screw, steel screw for drawing ~ from bottle, ~screw curl (spirally twisted), (v.t. & i.) move spirally; ~wood, name of various light porous woods. 2. v.t. Stop, stop up, (as) with ~, blacken with burnt ~. [(vb f. n.) f. Sp. *corte* f. L *cortex* -icis bark; or f. Sp. *alcorque*, etym. dub.]

cōrk'age, n. Corking, uncorking, of bottles; hotel-keeper's charge for serving wine etc. not supplied by himself. [-AGE]

cōrked (-kt), a. Stopped with, blackened with burnt, cork; (of wine) gone bad from defective corking. [-ED¹]

cōrk'er, n. (sl.). Circumstance that precludes further discussion, esp., notable lie. [-ER¹]

cōrk'y, a. Cork-like; (colloq.) frivolous, lively, skittish, restive. [-Y¹]

cōrm, n. (bot.). Bulb-like subterranean stem, solid bulb. [f. Gk *kormos* trunk with boughs lopped off (*keirō* cut)]

cormo- in comb. Trunk, stem, (in terms referring to evolution of races etc.). [as prec.]

cōrm'orant, n. A voracious sea-bird, 3 ft in length; rapacious person. [f. F *cormoran* f. L *corvus marinus* sea-raven]

cōrn¹, n. A grain, seed, esp. of cereals (also of pepper etc.); (collect. sing.) grain, also cereal plants while growing; *maize, Indian ~; || ~chandler, retail dealer in ~; ~cob, part to which grains are attached in ear of maize; ~cob pipe (made of this); ~crake, the bird Landrail; ~exchange (for trade in ~); || ~factor, dealer in ~; ~flag, plant of genus *Gladiolus*; || ~flour, fine-ground Indian ~, also, flour of rice or other grain; ~flower, name of various plants growing among ~; || ~laws (regulating ~trade, esp. the English laws restricting importation, and repealed in 1840); || ~rent (paid in ~ or varying with price of ~); || ~stalk (colloq.), tall person (applied as nickname to persons of European descent born in Australia, esp. in N.S.W.). [com.-Teut. f. Aryan **gr̥n̥dm* (ger- wear down), cf. L *granum* grain]

cōrn², v.t. Sprinkle, preserve, with salt (esp. in p.p.). [f. prec.]

cōrn³, n. Horny place esp. on feet; tread on my ~s, hurt my feelings; ~plaster (for application to ~s). [OF, f. L *cornu* horn]

cōrn'brash, n. (geol.). Coarse calcareous sandstone. [CORN¹ + brash rubble, etym. dub.]

cōrn'ea, n. Transparent horny part of anterior covering of eyeball. [L *cornea* (tela) horny (web)]

cōrn'el, n. Genus including Cornelian Cherry & Common C~ or Dogwood. [ult. f. L *cornus*]

cōrnēl'ian, **cār**-, n. Dull red or reddish-white chalcodony. [f. F *corneline*, etym. dub.]

cōrn'eous, a. Horn-like, horny. [f. L *corneus* (*cornu* horn) + -OUS]

cōrn'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Place where converging sides or edges meet; projecting angle, esp. where two streets meet; turn the ~, pass round it into another street, (fig.) pass critical point (in illness etc.); cut off a ~, avoid it by a short cut; || (sl.) the C~, Tattersall's betting-rooms (orig. near Hyde Park C~); hollow angle enclosed by meeting walls etc.; put (child) in the ~ (as punishment); (fig.) drive into a ~ (difficult position from which there is no escape). 2. Secret or remote place, as done in a ~, hole-&-~ transactions (underhand); region, quarter, as all the ~s of the earth. 3. (Commerc.) buying up the whole of any stock in the market, so as to com-

pel speculative sellers to buy from one to fulfil their engagements, (loosely) any combination to raise price by securing monopoly. 4. (Association football and Hockey) free kick, hit, from the ~-flag given when the ball has been kicked, hit, over his own goal-line by an opponent. 5. ~chisel, ~punch, etc. (angular, for cutting, cleaning, etc., ~s); || ~boy, ~man¹, street rough, loafer; || ~man² (at either end of row of nigger minstrels, playing bones or tambourine & contributing comic effects); ~stone, one in projecting angle of wall, (fig.) indispensable part, basis. 6. v.t. Furnish with ~s, set in ~, drive into ~ (esp. fig.), force (dealers) or control (commodity) by means of ~. 7. v.i. Form ~ (in commodity). [(vb f. n.) f. OF *cornier* ult. f. L *cornu* horn, see -ARY¹]

cōrn'et¹, n. (Also *cornet-d-piston(s)*, *cornopean*) brass musical instrument of trumpet class, with valves operated by pistons; ~player, also ~IST n.; conically-rolled piece of paper for groceries etc.; conical wafer filled with ice-cream; *solo* ~, *echo* ~, organ-stops. [OF, dim. of *corn*, *cor*, f. L *cornu* horn]

cōrn'et², n. White head-dress of Sister of Charity; || (formerly) fifth commissioned officer in cavalry troop, who carried the colours (from obs. sense *pennon*, *standard*), whence ~CY n. [f. F *cornette* dim. of *corne* f. Rom. *cornu* f. L *cornua* horns]

cōrn'ice, n. (Archit.) horizontal moulded projection crowning a building etc., esp. uppermost member of entablature of an order, surmounting frieze; ornamental moulding round wall of room just below ceiling; (Mountaineering) overhanging mass of hardened snow at edge of precipice. Hence ~ED² (-st) a. [F, f. It., etym. dub.; L has *corona* cornice, *cornix* ~icis crow]

cōrnif'erous, a. (geol.). Producing or containing hornstone. [f. L *cornifer* horn-bearing (*cornu* horn, see -ferous)]

Cōrn'ish, a. & n. 1. Of Cornwall; ~boller, cylindrical fire-boller; ~Riviera, extreme South-West of England. 2. n. The ~ language (extinct since 18th c.). [-ISH¹]

cōrnōp'ean. See CORNET¹.

cōrn'stōne, n. Mottled red and green limestone, subordinate bed in Old Red Sandstone formation. [CORN¹]

cōrnūcōp'ia, n. (pl. -as). Horn of plenty; goat's horn represented in art as overflowing with flowers, fruit, and corn; ornamental vessel shaped like this; overflowing store, whence ~AN a. [LL, f. L *cornu copiae* horn of plenty (that of the goat Amalthaea by which Zeus was suckled)]

cōrnūt'ed, a. Having horns or horn-like

projections. [f. obs. *cornute* f. L *cornutus* (*cornu* horn) + -ED¹]

cōrn'y¹, a. Of, abounding in, corn. [-Y¹]
cōrn'y², a. Of, having, corns. [CORN² + -Y¹]

corōil'a, n. (bot.). Whorl of leaves (petals), separate or combined, forming inner envelope of flower. Hence **cōrōila'cious** (-ā'shus) a. [L, dim. of *corona* crown]

corōil'ary, n. Proposition appended to one already demonstrated, as self-evident inference from it; immediate deduction; natural consequence, result. [f. L *corollarium* money paid for chaplet, gratuity, neut. adj. f. prec., -ARY¹]

corōn'a¹, n. (pl. -ae). 1. Small disk of light round sun or moon; similar disk opposite sun, ANTHELION; halo of white light seen around disk of moon in total eclipse of sun (now known to belong to sun). 2. Circular chandelier hung from roof of a church. 3. (Archit.) member of cornice, with broad vertical face, usu. of considerable projection. 4. (Anat.) various crown-like parts of body. 5. (Bot.) appendage on top of seed or inner side of corolla. 6. Brush discharge of electricity. [L, =crown]

corōn'a², n. A brand of Havana cigar. [Sp.; P]

|| **cō'ronāch** (-k), n. Funeral-song, dirge, in Scottish Highlands and Ireland. [Ir., = Gael. *corranach* (comh- together + *ranach* outcry)]

cō'ronal¹, n. Circlet (esp. of gold or gems) for the head; wreath, garland. [prob. f. AF ⁺*corounal* (*coroune* f. CORONA¹)]

corōn'al² (also *kō*²), a. (Anat.) ~suture, transverse suture of skull separating frontal bone (~bone) from parietal bones; of the crown of the head; (Bot.) of a corona. [F, f. L *coronalis* (CORONA¹, see -AL)]

cō'ronate, -āted, aa. (bot. & zool.). Furnished with a corona or crown-shaped part. [f. L *coronare* (CORONA¹, see -ATE²)]

cōronā'tion, n. Ceremony of crowning sovereign or sovereign's consort; ~oath, taken by sovereign at ~. [OF (as prec., -ATION)]

cō'roner, n. Officer of county, district, or municipality, holding inquest on bodies of persons supposed to have died by violence or accident; ~'s inquest, inquiry held by ~'s court as to cause of death; (orig.) officer charged with maintaining rights of private property of crown. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. AF *corouner* f. *coroune* CROWN, see -ER²(2)]

cō'ronēt, n. Small crown (implying dignity inferior to that of sovereign); fillet of precious materials, esp. as decorative part of woman's head-dress; garland; (Anat.) lowest part of horse's pastern. [f. OF *coronette* dim. of *corone* CROWN]

cō'ronētéd, a. Wearing a coronet (esp. as belonging to peerage). [-ED¹]

corōn old, a. (anat.). Curved like crow's beak (of processes of bones). [f. Gk *korōnē* crow + -OID]

corōzō, n. (pl. -os). S.-American tree, allied to palms; ~*nut*, its seed, from which vegetable ivory is made. [native]

cōrp'oral¹, a. Of the human body, as ~ *punishment*; personal; (arch.) ~ *oath*, one ratified by touching a sacred object. Hence ~*LY*¹ adv. [OF, f. L *corporalis* (corpus -oris body, see -AL)]

cōrp'oral², -as, n. Cloth on which consecrated elements are placed during celebration of mass. [f. med. L *corporalis* (palla) body cloth (as prec.); -as f. OF *corporauis*, -als, nom. sing.]

cōrp'oral³, n. Non-commissioned officer ranking below sergeant (*the little O*~, Napoleon I); || *ship's* ~, officer attending to police matters under master-at-arms. [F, var. of *caporal* f. It. *caporale* prob. f. L *corporalis* (as prec.) confused w. *capo* head]

cōrporāl'it'y, n. Material existence; body; (pl.) bodily matters, wants, etc. [f. LL *corporalitas* (as CORPORAL¹, see -ITY)]

cōrp'orate, a. Forming a body politic or corporation, as ~ *body*, *body* ~; ~ *town* (having municipal rights); forming one body of many individuals; of, belonging to, a body politic. Hence ~*LY*² (-tly-) adv. [f. L *corporare* form into a body (*corpus -oris*), see -ATE¹]

cōrporā'tion, n. United body of persons, esp. one authorized to act as an individual; artificial person created by charter, prescription, or act of the legislature, comprising many persons (~ *aggregate*) or one (~ *sole*); *municipal* ~, civic authorities of borough, town, or city; (colloq.) abdomen, esp. when prominent. [f. L *corporatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

cōrp'orative, a. Of a corporation. [f. L *corporativus* (as prec., see -ATIVE)]

cōrp'orātor, n. Member of a corporation. [as CORPORATE, see -OR¹]

cōrporē'al, a. Bodily; material; (Law) tangible, as ~ *hereditament* (of material objects). Hence ~*ITY* (-al¹) n., ~*LY*³ adv. [f. L *corporeus* (corpus -oris body) + -AL]

cōrporē'it'y, n. Quality of being or having a material body; bodily substance. [f. med. L *corporeitas* (as prec., see -ITY)]

cōrp'osant (-z-), n. Ball of light sometimes seen on ship during storm, St Elmo's fire. [Port. *corpo santo* = L *corpus sanctum* holy body]

corps (kōr), n. (pl. *same*, pr. kōrz). 1. ~ *ARMY* ~. 2. Body of troops for special (medical, ordnance, intelligence, etc.) service. 3. A students' society in a German university. 4. ~ *d'armée* (ārmā'), army ~; ~ *de ballet* (see Ap.), the company of dancers in a ballet; C~ *Diplomatique* (dēplōmāntēk'), all the ambassa-

dors & attachés of foreign states at a Court or capital. [F (as foll.)]

cōrpse, n. Dead (usu. human) body; ~ *candle*, lambent flame seen in churchyard or over grave, regarded as omen of death. [f. OF *corps* (mod. *corps*) f. L *corpus* body]

cōrp'ul'ent, a. Bulky (of body); fat. So ~*ENCE*, -*ENCY*, nn. [F, f. L *corpulentus* (corpus body, see -ULENT)]

cōrp'ug, n. (pl. -pora). Body, collection, of writings; ~ *juris* (joor'is), body of law; ~ *delicti* (dilik'ti), all that goes to make a breach of law; (Physiol.) structure of special character in the animal body; C~ *Christi* (kris'ti), Feast of the body of Christ (Thursday after Trinity Sunday). [L = body]

cōrp'uscule (-sū), **cōrpūs'cule** (-kūh), n. Minute body forming distinct part of the organism, esp. (pl.) those constituting large part of the blood in vertebrates; atom (esp. of electricity). [f. L *corpusculum* (as prec., see -CULE)]

cōrpūs'cūlar, a. Of corpuscles or atoms; ~ (EMISSION) *theory of light*. [as prec. + -AR¹]

corrā'l¹, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Pen for horses, cattle, etc. (in U.S. & Span. Amer.); defensive enclosure of wagons in encampment; enclosure for capturing wild animals. 2. v.t. Form (wagons) into ~, confine in ~. ((vb f. n.) Sp. (*corro* ring of spectators f. *correr toros* give bull-fight f. L *currere* run)]

corrēct¹, v.t. Set right, amend; substitute right for (wrong); mark errors in (proof-sheet etc.) for amendment; admonish (person); cure (person) of fault; punish (person, fault); counteract (hurtful quality); bring into accordance with standard (reading of barometer etc.). [f. L *cor(rigere rect=regere* guide)]

corrēct², a. True, accurate; right, proper, (of conduct, manners, etc.); in accordance with a good standard (of taste etc.); *the ~ card* (sl.), programme of events at a sports-meeting etc., etiquette or one of its requirements. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [as prec.]

corrēc'tion, n. Correcting; *I speak under ~*, I may be wrong; thing substituted for what is wrong; punishment, as *house of ~* (bridewell). Hence ~*AL* (-sho-) a. [F, f. L *correctionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

corrēc'titūde, n. Correctness esp. of conduct. [mod. = correct + rectitude]

corrēc'tive, a. & n. (Thing) serving, tending, to correct or counteract what is harmful. Hence ~*LY*³ (-vi-) adv. [F (-ty, -ive), as CORRECT¹, see -IVE]

corrēc'tor, n. One who corrects; censor, critic; || ~ *of the press*, proof-reader; one who punishes. [f. AF *correcteur* f. L *correctorem* (as CORRECT¹, see -OR²)]

cō'rrelā'te¹, n. Each of two related things (esp. so related that one implies the other). {COR- + L *relatus* p.p. of *referre* REFER}

cō'rrelāte¹, v.i. & t. Have a mutual relation (*with, to*); bring (thing) into such relation (*with* another). [as prec.]

corrél'ative, a. & n. Having a mutual relation (*with, to*); analogous; (Gram., of words) corresponding to each other & regularly used together, e.g. *either* or *or*; (n.) ~ word or thing. Hence or cogn. **cōrrēlā'tion** n., ~**ly**² (-vl-) adv., **cōrrēlā'tiv** n. [COR-]

cōrrēspōnd', v.i. Be in harmony (*with, to*); be similar, analogous, (*to*); agree in amount, position, etc. (*to*); communicate by interchange of letters (*with*); ~ing member (of learned society etc.), honorary non-resident member with no voice in the society's affairs. Hence ~**ingly**² adv. [f. med. L **COR**(*respondere* RESPOND)]

cōrrēspōnd'ence, n. Agreement, harmony, (*with, to*; *between* two); communication by letters; letters; ~ *school* (instructing by ~, and conducting ~ courses). [as prec., see -ENCE]

cōrrēspōnd'ent, n. & a. One who writes letters (to person or newspaper, esp. one employed for that purpose, as *our New York* ~, *war* ~); person, firm, having regular business relations with another esp. in another country; (adj.) corresponding (*to, with, or abs.*), whence ~**ly**² adv. [as prec., see -ENT]

cō'rridor, n. Main passage in large building, on which many rooms open; outside passage connecting parts of building; (Pol.) strip of a State's territory that runs through that of another & secures access to the sea etc. (*Polish* ~, through Prussia to Danzig); || ~ *train* (with narrow passage from end to end). [F, f. It. *corridore* corridor for *corridoio* (*correre* run + -*orio* -ORY) by confus. w. *corridore* runner]

|| **cō'rrie**, n. (Sc.). Circular hollow on mountain side. [f. Gael. *coire* cauldron]

cōrrigēdum, n. (pl. -*da*). Thing to be corrected (esp. fault in printed book). [L (as CORRECT¹, -ND¹)]

cō'rrigible, a. Capable of being corrected; (of persons) submissive, open, to correction. [F (as CORRECT¹, see -BLE)]

corriv'al, n. = RIVAL. [COM-]

corrōb'orant, a. & n. Strengthening (medicine); corroborating (fact). [F (as foll., see -ANT)]

corrōb'orāte, v.t. Confirm formally (law etc.); confirm (person, statement) by evidence etc. Hence or cogn. ~**ative**, ~**atory**, aa., ~**ator**² n. [f. L **COR**(*roburare* f. *robur* -*oris* hard wood), -ATE²]

corrōborā'tion, n. Confirmation by further evidence. [F (as prec., see -ATION)]

corrōb'ores, n. Native dance of Australian aborigines. [native]

corrōde, v.b. & i. Wear away, destroy gradually (of rust, chemical agents,

diseases, & fig.); (v.i.) decay. So **corrō'sion** (-*shn*) n. [f. L **COR**(*rodere* *rognaw*)]

corrō'sive, a. & n. (Thing) tending to corrode (lit. & fig.); ~ *sublimite*, (Commerc.) mercuric chloride, a strong/acrid poison. Hence ~**ly**² (-vl-) adv., ~**ness** (-vn-) n. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), as CORRODE, see -IVE]

cō'rrugāte (-ōb-), v.t. & i. Contract into wrinkles or folds (t. & i.); mark with, bend into, ridges, as ~*d iron*. Hence **cōrrugā'tion** (-ōb-) n. [f. L **COR**(*rugare* f. *ruqa* wrinkle), -ATE²]

cō'rrugātor (-ōb-), n. Muscle that contracts the brow in frowning. [as prec., see -OR²]

corrūpt'¹, a. Rotten; depraved, wicked; influenced by bribery; (of language, texts, etc.) vitiated by errors or alterations; ~ *practices*, forms of bribery esp. at elections. Hence ~**ly**² adv., ~**ness** n. [f. L **COR**(*rumpere* *rupt* -break)]

corrūpt'², v.t. & i. Infect, taint, (lit. & fig.); bribe; destroy purity of (language); become corrupt. So **corrūpt'ive** a. [f. prec., displacing earlier *corrupt*]

corrūpt'ible, a. Liable to corruption, perishable; capable of moral corruption. Hence or cogn. ~**bl'ity** n., ~**bl'y**² adv. [F, f. L *corruptibilis* (CORRUPT¹, -BLE)]

corrūpt'ion, n. Decomposition; moral deterioration; use of corrupt practices (bribery etc.); perversion (of language etc.) from its original state; (Law) ~ *of blood*, effect of attainder upon person attainted. [F, f. L *corruptionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

cōrs'ac, -**āk**, n. (zool.). Tartar fox. [Turki]

cōrs'age (-ahzh or -ij), n. Bodice of woman's dress; bouquet (to be) worn there. [OF (*cors* body, see CORPSE & -AGE)]

cōrs'air, n. Privateer, privateering vessel, esp. of Barbary. [f. F *corsaire* f. med. L *cursarius* (*cursus* -*us* inroad, f. *cursare* run, -ARY¹)]

cōrse, n. (arch., poet.). = CORPSE.

cōrs'et, n. Woman's closely fitting inner bodice stiffened with whalebone & fastened by lacing, stays. Hence ~**ed**² a. [F, dim. of OF *cors* body, see CORPSE]

cōrs'lēt, -**selēt** (-sl-), n. Piece of armour covering body; garment (usu. tight-fitting) covering body as distinct from limbs; (Zool.) insect's thorax, part between head & abdomen. [F (*corse*), double dim. as prec.]

cortège (kōrtāzh'), n. Train of attendants; procession. [F]

Cōrt'és, n. pl. Two chambers making legislative assembly of Spain or Portugal. [Sp., Port.]

cōrt'ēx, n. (pl. -*stōes*). Bark; outer grey matter of brain, outer part of kidney. [L, =bark]

cort'ical, a. (Bot.) of the bark or rind; (Anat., Zool.) forming the outer part of animal body or organ. [f. prec. + -AL]

cort'icate, -âtéd, aa. Having bark; bark-like. [f. L *corticatus* (as prec., see -ATE²)]

corûn'dum, n. Crystallized mineral of same species as sapphire & ruby, blue, grey, brown, black; mineral species of crystallized alumina. [f. Tamil *kurundam*]

cô'ruscâte, v.i. Sparkle, flash, (lit., & fig. of wit etc.). So **corûs'cant** a., **côruscâ'tion** n. [f. L *coruscare*, see -ATE²]

côrvée' (-vâ), n. (feudal). Day's work of unpaid labour due by vassal; statute labour, e.g. that exacted of French peasants before 1776. [F. f. Rom. *coruada* f. L.L. *corrogata* (*opera*) requisitioned (work) f. *rogare* ask]

côrvette', n. (naut.). Flush-decked war-vessel with one tier of guns (hist.); (now) small fast naval escort-vessel. [F. f. Sp. *corbeta*; cf. L *corbita* (*navis*) ship of burden (*corbis* basket)]

côrv'ine, a. Of, akin to, the raven or crow. [f. L *corvinus* (*corvus* raven, see -INE¹)]

Cô'rybânt, n. (pl. -s, -êe). Priest of Phrygian worship of Cybele, performed with extravagant dances. Hence **Côrybân'tian**, **Côrybân'tic**, **Côrybân'tine**, aa. [f. F *Corybante* f. L *Corybantem* (nem. -as) f. Gk *Korubas*]

Cô'rydon, n. Typical rustic in pastoral poetry. [L, f. Gk *Korudôn*]

cô'rymb, n. (bot.). Species of inflorescence; raceme in which lower flower-stalks are proportionally longer. Hence ~ISM¹ a. [f. F *corymbe* f. L f. Gk *korumbos* cluster]

côryphae'us, n. Leader of a chorus (also fig.). [L, f. Gk *koruphatos* (*koruphê* head)]

cô'ryphée (-fâ), n. A leading dancer in a ballet. [F, as prec.]

corÿz'a, n. Catarrh. [L, f. Gk *koruza* running at nose]

cô's¹, n. (Also *Cos lettuce*) kind of lettuce introduced from Cos (now Stanchio). [f. Gk *Kô's*]

cô's², n. Abbr. of COSINE.

co'saque' (-ahk'), n. Cracker bon-bon. [F] **côse** (-z), v.i. Make oneself cosy. [back-formation on COSY, cf. LAZY f. *lazy*, & COZE]

côsec'ant, n. (trig.). Secant of complement of given angle (abbr. cosec). [CO-]

côseis'mal (-sîz-), a. & n. (Line or curve connecting points) of simultaneous shock from earthquake wave. [CO-]

|| **côsh**, n., & v.t., (sl.). Bludgeon, life-preserver; (v.t.) strike with ~. [I]

côsh'er, v.t. Pamper, cocker up. [I]

cô-sig'natory, a. & n. (Person) signing jointly with others. [CO-]

cô'sine, n. (trig.). Sine of complement of given angle (abbr. côs). [CO-]

cô's'létitise (-z-), v.t. Treat (steel, esp. cycle frames) with a special rust-preventing process. [inventor's name + -IZE]

côsmét'ic (-z-), a. & n. (Preparation) designed to beautify hair, skin, or complexion. [f. Gk *kosmêtikos* (*kosmeô* adorn f. *kosmos* order, adornment, see -ETIC)]

cô'smic (-z-), a. Of the universe or COSMOS (esp. as distinguished from the earth); ~ *philosophy*, = foll.; ~ *rays*, radiations that reach the earth equally from all directions, characterized by enormous voltages and high penetrative power. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. Gk *kosmikos* (*kosmos* world, see -IC)]

cô'smism (-z-), n. Conception of the cosmos as a self-acting whole. So **cô's'm-ist** n. [COSMOS + -ISM]

cosmo- in comb. = Gk *kosmos* universe, as -*geny*, evolution of the universe, -*logy*, -*logist*, -*lo'gical*, science of, student of, concerned with, the universe, -*plas'tic*, moulding the universe.

côsmôg'onîy (-z-), n. (Theory of) the creation of the universe. So **côsmogôn'ic** (AL) aa., ~IST(3) n., (-z-). [f. Gk *kosmogonia* (COSMO- + *gonia* f. -*gonos* -begetting)]

côsmôg'raphy (-z-), n. Description, mapping, of general features of universe or earth. So **côsmôg'rapher** n., **côsmôgraph'ic** (AL) aa., (-z-). [f. Gk *kosmographia*, see COSMO- -GRAPHY]

côsmôp'olis (-z-), n. A cosmopolitan city. [f. COSMO- + Gk *polis* city]

côsmôpôl'itan (-z-), a. & n. Belonging to all parts of the world; (person) free from national limitations. Hence ~ISM n., ~IZE v.t. & i., (-z-). [f. foll. + -AN]

côsmôp'olite (-z-), n. & a. Citizen of the world; (adj.) free from national prejudices. Hence ~ISM n. [f. Gk *kosmopolitês* (COSMO- + *politês* citizen)]

côsmôpôl'ical (-z-), a. Belonging to universal polity. [f. prec. + -ICAL]

côsmora'ma (-z; -ah-), n. Peep-show illustrating all parts of the world. Hence **côsmorâm'ic** a. [f. COSMO- + Gk *horama* spectacle (*horaô* see)]

cô'smôs¹ (-z-), n. The universe as an ordered whole; ordered system of ideas, etc., sum-total of experience. [f. Gk *kosmos*]

cô'smôs² (-z-), n. Plant bearing single dahlia-like blossoms of various colours. [f. Gk *kosmos* ornament.]

Côss'ack, n. Member of a people of south-eastern Russia, esp. as light horse in Russian army; ~ *post*, military outpost of a few mounted men. [f. Turki *qussaq* adventurer]

côss'et, n., & v.t. Pet lamb; (v.t.) pet, pamper. [(vb f. n.) perh. = OE *cotastia* cot-sitter (i.e. animal brought up in house)]

cost¹ (kaw, kô-), n. Price (to be) paid for thing; *prime* ~ (also ~ *price*), that at which merchant buys; (pl.) law expenses,

esp. those allowed in favour of winning party; expenditure of time, labour, etc.; at ~, at the initial ~; at all ~s, cost what it may; at the ~ of, at the expense of losing; *count the ~*, consider the risks before action; to a person's ~, to his loss; ~ *accountant*, clerk, one who records every item of (esp. overhead) expenses in a business concern (with a view to checking wasteful expenditure); ~*book* (showing expenses, profit, etc., of mine). Hence ~*LESS* a. [OF (as foll.)]

cost² (kaw-, kō-), v.t. (*cost*). Be acquirable at, involve expenditure of, as ~ *him five shillings*, ~ *the writer infinite labour*; result in the loss of, as ~ *him his crown*; ~ *him dear(ly)*, involved a heavy penalty; (Commerce) fix prices. No pass.; the person is indirect object, the price is expressed adverbially, in being understood. [f. OF *coster*, *couter*, f. L *cos*(*stare* stand) with dative of person, locative of price]

costal, a. Of the ribs. [F, f. med. L *costalis* (*costa* rib, see -AL)]

costard, n. || Large kind of apple; (arch.) head. [perh. f. OF *coste* rib (as prec.) + -ARD]

costate, a. Ribbed, having ribs. [f. L *costatus* (as *COSTAL*, see -ATE²)]

|| **costean**¹, -*een*, v.t. (mining). Sink pits down to rock to find direction of lode. [f. Corn. *cothas* *steal* dropped tin]

|| **cost'er**(monger) (-ingg-), n. Man who sells fruit, fish, etc., from barrow in street. [COSTARD]

costive, a. With confined bowels, constipated; (fig.) niggardly. Hence ~*NESS* (-vn-) n. [f. OF *costivē* f. L *constipatus* CONSTIPATED]

costly¹ (kaw-, kō-), a. Of great value; expensive. Hence ~*INESS* n. [-LY¹]

cost'māry, n. Aromatic perennial plant, formerly used in medicine & for flavouring ale. [OE *cost* f. L f. Gk *kostos* + (St) *Mary*]

costūme (also -tūm'), n., & v.t. Style, fashion of dress or attire (including way of wearing hair); complete set of outer garments; ~ *pieces*, play in which actors wear historical ~; (v.t.) provide with ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. It. *costume* f. L *consuetudinem* CUSTOM]

costūm'ier, -ūm'er, n. Maker of, dealer in, costumes. [F (-ier), f. *costumer* (COSTUME)]

cost'y (-z-), -z'y, a. & n. Comfortable, snug, (of person or place); (n.) canopied corner seat for two (cf. *F causeuse*); *lea*, *egg*, ~, quilted covering to retain heat in teapot, egg. Hence *cost'lyr*² adv., *cost'iness* n., (-z-). [f]

cost¹, n., & v.t. (-ti-). Small erection for shelter, as *bell*, *sheep*, ~; (poet.) cottage; (v.t.) put (sheep) in ~. [(vb f. n.) OE, f. OTent. ²*kudom*]

cōt², n. (Anglo-Ind.) light bedstead; (Naut.) swinging bed for officers, sick persons, etc.; || small (usu. swinging) bed for child; bed in children's hospital. [Anglo-Ind., f. Hind. *khat* bedstead, bier]

cōt³, n. Abbr. of foll.

cōtān'gent (-j-), n. (trig.). Tangent of complement of given angle (abbr. *cō*). [CO-]

cōte, n. Shed, stall, shelter, esp. for animals as *dove*-, *hen*-, *sheep*-, ~. [OE, parallel to *oot*¹]

co-temporary etc. See CONTEMPORARY etc.

cō-tēn'ant, n. Joint tenant. [CO-]

cōt'erie, n. Circle, set, of persons associated by exclusive interests; select circle in society. [F, orig. = association of country people, f. *cotier* COTTAR, see -ERY]

cōthūrn'us, n. (pl. -nī). Buskin, thick-soled boot of Athenian tragic actor (also fig., of elevated style etc.). [L, f. Gk *kothornos*]

cō-tid'al, a. ~ *line* on map (connecting places at which high water occurs at same time.) [CO-]

cotill'ion, -*llon*, (-lyon), n. Name of several dances; music for these. [F (-llon), = *petticoat*]

cōtōneās'ter, n. (Kinds of) small tree or shrub of N. Europe, resembling hawthorn and bearing rose-red berries. [f. L *colonea* quince + -ASTER]

cōtt'a, n. Short surplice. [med. L, = tunic]

cōtt'age, n. Labourer's or villager's small dwelling; small country residence; ~ *hospital* (In ~, without resident medical staff); ~ *loaf* of bread (of two round masses, smaller on top of larger); ~ *piano* (small upright). [prob. f. AF ²*cottage* (COTE + -AGE)]

cōtt'ager (-tī-), n. Inhabitant of a cottage. [-ER¹]

|| **cōtt'ar**, -er¹, n. Scots peasant occupying cottage on farm, and labouring on farm at fixed rate when required; = COTTIER. [f. med. L *colarius* (*cota* COTE, see -ARY¹)]

cōtt'er², n. Key, wedge, bolt, for securing parts of machinery etc.; esp., split pin that opens after passing through hole; ~ *pin*, pin to keep ~ in place. [f]

|| **cōtt'ier**, n. Cottager; Irish peasant holding under ~ *tenure* (letting of land in small portions at rent fixed by competition). [OF (as COTTAR)]

cōtt'on¹, n. White downy fibrous substance clothing seeds of ~ *plant*, used for making cloth, thread, etc.; ~ *plant*; thread spun from ~ *yarn* (also *sewing* ~); cloth made of ~; *gun* ~; ~ *cake*, compressed ~ seed as food for cattle; ~ *grass*, kinds of plant with white silky hairs; || ~ *lord*, magnate of ~ *trade*; ~ *spinner*, workman who spins ~, owner

of ~ mill; ~-tail, common American rabbit, with white fluffy tail; ~ waste, refuse yarn used for cleaning machinery etc.; ~ wool, raw ~, esp. as prepared for wadding; ~ yarn, ~ prepared for weaving into fabrics. Hence ~Y² a. [f. F. f. OSp. *coton* f. Arab. *quṭun*]

cōtt'on², v.t. Agree, harmonize, (together, with each other); ~ up, make friendly advances (to or abs.); become attached to; ~ on to (person, thing), take to him, it; ~ on (to), (sl.) understand. [f. prec.]

cōttonōc' racy, n. The magnates of the cotton trade. So **Cōttonōp'olis** n. (Joc.), Manchester. [COTTON¹ + -o- + CHACY, Gk *polis* city]

cōt'ylēd'on, n. Primary leaf in embryo of higher plants, seed-leaf; genus of plants including navelwort or pennywort. [L. f. Gk *kotylēdon* cup-shaped cavity (*kotylē* cup)]

cōt'ylēd'onous, a. Having cotyledons. [-ous]

cōt'ylōid, a. (anat.). Cup-shaped. [f. Gk *kotylōidēs* (*kotylē* cup, see -ōid)]

couch¹, n. Bed; thing one sleeps on; lounge like sofa, but with half-back and head-end only; (Malting) bed in which grain germinates after steeping. [f. F. *couche* (as foll.)]

couch², v.t. & i. Lay oneself down (now only in p.p.); (Malting) lay (grain) on floor to germinate; lower (spear etc.) to position of attack; remove (cataract); also ~ person, person's eye, for cataract; express (thought etc. in words); veil (meaning under words); (of animals) lie (esp. in lair); crouch, cower; lie in ambush. [f. F. *coucher* f. L. *collocare* place]

couch³ (kow-, kōō-), n. (More usu. ~ grass) kind of grass with long creeping roots, a common weed. [var. of QUICH]

couch'ant, a. (her.). (Of animals) lying with body resting on legs and head raised. [F. part. as COUCH²]

Cōuētiām (kōō'āliām), n. Systematic auto-suggestion of a sanguine kind. [Émile Coué, French psychologist (d. 1926), + -ISM]

coug'ar (kōō-), n. Large American feline quadruped, puma. [f. F. *couguar* repr. Guarani *guasu ara*]

cough¹ (kawf, kōf), n. Act of coughing; tendency to cough, diseased condition of respiratory organs. [f. foll.]

cough² (as prec.), v.t. & t. Expel air from lungs with violent effort and noise produced by abrupt opening of glottis; (trans.) ~ out, up, eject by, say with, cough; ~ down, silence (speaker) by ~ing; ~ up (sl.), blurt out, say with reluctance, bring out, produce. [ME *coughen*; OE has *cōghetan*; cf. MDu. *cuchen*, Du. *kuchen*, cough, G *keuchen* pant; all imit.].

coud. See CAR².

couleur' de rōse' (kōō'lēr; -z), a. & n. = ROSÉ-colour(ed). [F]

couliasse (kōōlās'), n. (Usu. pl.) wings in theatre; space between two of these; groove in which sluice-gate moves. [F, f. OF *coulets* f. L. *colaticius* (colare flow)]

couloir (kōōl'wair), n. Steep gully on mountain side. [F]

coulomb (kōōlōm'), n. Quantity of electricity conveyed in one second by current of one ampere. [de C~, French physicist]

coul'ter (kōl-), *cōl-, n. Iron blade fixed in front of share in plough. [OE *cultir* f. L. *cultus*]

coum'arin (kōō-), n. Aromatic crystalline substance found in seeds of Tonka bean etc. [f. F. *coumarine* (*cumar*), name in Guiana of Tonka bean, see -IN]

coun'cil, n. Ecclesiastical assembly, as *oecumenical*, *diocesan*, ~; (N.T.) Jewish Sanhedrin; advisory or deliberative assembly, as (Hist.) *Great C~*, ~ of tenants-in-chief & great ecclesiastics (last summoned in 1640), *CANONIC* ~; body of councillors, || as *PRIVY C~* (the King, Queen, Crown, in C~, Privy C~ as issuing Orders in C~ or receiving appeal petitions from colonies etc.), C~ of State (of foreign countries); || body assisting governor of British crown colony or dependency; local administrative body of town, city, or administrative county, as *County C~*; C~ of War, assembly of officers called in special emergency, (in some foreign countries) permanent military board; ~ board, table at which ~ sits, ~ in session; ~ chamber, ~ house (in which ~ meets).

[1] in eccles. sense f. OF *cuncile* f. L. *concilium* assembly, meeting (*concilare* call); [2] f. OF *conseil* f. L. *consilium* advisory body, COUNSEL; E. confused the two words; acc. to mod. different. (begun in 16th c.) *council* = any deliberative body, *counsel* = act of counselling, advice, etc.]

coun'ciller, n. Member of a council. Hence ~SHIP n. [16th-c. different. f. COUNSELLOR]

coun'sel¹, n. Consultation; take ~, consult (with or abs.); advice; (Theol.) ~ of perfection, injunction (orig. of Christ or Apostles) not regarded as universally binding (*Mat. xix. 21*); plan; keep one's (own) or another's ~ (secret); body of legal advisers in cause; barrister; Queen's, King's, C~ (abbr. Q.C., K.C.), ~ to the crown, taking precedence of other barristers. [f. OF *conseil* f. L. *consilium* f. *sal-* jump = Skr. *sur-* go) deliberative body, plan, cf. COUNCIL]

coun'sel², v.t. (-ll-). Advise (person to do); recommend (thing, that). [f. F. *conseiller* f. LL. *consiliare* (L. -ari), as prec.]

coun'sellor, n. Adviser; (also ~ at-law) advising barrister (now only in Ireland). [f. OF *consilliere*, -sor, f. L. *consiliator* (gen); as prec., -OR²]

count¹, n. Counting; one's reckoning (keep, lose, ~, be aware, fail to know, how many there have been); sum total;

(Law) each charge in an indictment; || (H. of Commons) ~out, ~, adjournment when fewer than 40 members are present; ~out (Boxing), counting of 10 sec. to give fallen man time to rise, failing which he loses the match. [f. OF *conte* f. LL *computum* (as foll.)]

count¹, v.t. & i. Enumerate, reckon up; repeat numerals in order; ~up, find the sum of; ~out, ~ while taking from a stock; (of boxer) be ~ed out, fail to rise in time (see *prec.*); || ~out the House, procure adjournment (as *prec.*); include in reckoning; consider (a thing) to be (so & so); ~on, upon, expect confidently; be included in reckoning, as *that does not* ~; ~for, be worth (much etc.); (Sc.) ~kin (with), be demonstrably related (to). [f. OF *conter* COMPUTE]

count², n. Foreign noble corresp. to earl; ~PALATINE. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *conte* f. L *comitem* (nom. -mes) companion]

countenance¹, n. Expression of face, as *change* (one's) ~ (from emotion), *keep one's* ~, maintain composure, esp. refrain from laughing; face; composure, as *put out of* ~, disconcert, *keep* (person) in ~ (usu. by show of support). [f. OF *contenance* bearing, aspect, f. L *continentia* (as CONTAIN, see -ENCE)]

countenance², v.t. Sanction (act); encourage (person, practice, person in practice). [f. OF *contenancer* (as *prec.*)]

count³, n. 1. Small (usu. round) piece of metal, ivory, etc., used for keeping account in games, esp. cards; imitation coin. 2. Banker's table; table in shop on which money is counted out & across which goods are delivered; ~jumper, (derog.) shopman. [f. OF *conteoir* f. L *computatorium* (as COMPUTE, see -ORY(2))]

count⁴, n. Part of horse's breast between shoulders and under neck; curved part of stern of ship. [perh. f. COUNTER¹]

count⁵, n. (fencing). Circular parry in which hand retains same position while point describes a circle. [f. F *contre* COUNTER-]

count⁶, n. (shoemaking). Back part of shoe or boot round heel. [abbr. of COUNTERFOOT]

count⁷, a. Opposed; opposite; duplicate; ~ (rocking turn or rocker), skating figure (see ROCK²). [arising f. combb. w. COUNTER-]

count⁸, v.t. & i. Oppose, contradict; (Chess) meet with counter move; (Boxing) give (opponent, or abs.) return blow while parrying. [partly f. ENCOUNTER, partly f. COUNTER-]

count⁹, adv. In the opposite direction, as *hunt, run, go*, ~ (i.e. to direction taken by game); contrary, as *act, go*, ~ (to instructions etc.). [f. F *contre* COUNTER-]

count¹⁰, n. (Abbr. for) counter rocking turn (see ROCK²).

count¹¹-, pref. f. F *contre* (It. *contra*) f. L *contra* against, in return, orig. in words f. OF, F, or It., but now a living prefix of vbs, nouns, adj., and adv., with sense (1) reciprocation, opposition, frustration, rivalry, (2) opposite position or direction, (3) correspondence, match, (of things having naturally two opposite parts), (4) duplicate, substitute.

counter¹²act', v.t. Hinder, defeat, by contrary action; neutralize. Hence ~ac'tion n., ~ac'tive a. [COUNTER(1)]

counter¹³-a'gent, n. Counteracting agent or force. [COUNTER(1)]

count¹⁴-er-approach, n. (mil.). Work constructed by besieged outside permanent fortifications to check besiegers. [COUNTER-(1)]

count¹⁵-er-attack', n., & v.t. & i. Sortie, charge, etc., in reply to attack by enemy; (v.t. & i.) make ~ (upon). [COUNTER-(1)]

count¹⁶-er-attract'ion, n. Attraction of contrary tendency; rival attraction. [COUNTER-(1)]

count¹⁷-erbal'ance, n., & v.t. Weight balancing another; (v.t.) act as ~ to. [COUNTER-(1)]

count¹⁸-erblast (-ah-), n. Energetic declaration against something. [COUNTER-(1)]

count¹⁹-er-celling (-sél-), n. Layer of dry material between joists of floor. [COUNTER-(4)]

counterchange²⁰' (-j), v.t. & i. Interchange; chequer; (v.i.) change places or parts. [f. F *contrechanger* (see COUNTER-(1) and CHANGE v.)]

count²¹-ercharge, n. Charge in opposition to another, charge against accuser. [COUNTER-(1)]

count²²-ercheck, n. Check that opposes a thing; check that operates against another; (arch.) retort (*the* ~ *quarrelsome*, see *As You Like It*, v. iv. 85). [COUNTER-(1)]

count²³-er-claim, n. Claim set up against another; claim set up by defendant in suit. [COUNTER-(1)]

counter-clockwise²⁴ (-z). See CLOCK¹.

count²⁵-er-és'pionage (or -ahzh'), n. Spying directed against the enemy's spy system. [COUNTER-(1)]

count²⁶-erfeit¹ (-fit, -fét), a. & n. (Thing) made in imitation, not genuine, (of coins, writings, persons, etc.). [f. OF *contrefait*, -fait, p.p. of *contrefaire* f. med. L *CONTRA*-(*facere* make)]

count²⁷-erfeit² (-fit, -fét), v.t. Imitate; forge (coin, bank-notes, handwriting); simulate (feelings); (fig.) resemble closely. [f. *prec.*]

count²⁸-erfoil, n. Complementary part of bank cheque, official receipt, etc., with

note of particulars, retained by drawer. [COUNTER-(8)]

coun'terfort, n. Buttress supporting wall or terrace. [f. *F* *contrefort* (COUNTER-, FORT)]

counter-irritant, n. Thing used to produce surface irritation and thus counteract disease (also fig.). So **counter-irritation** n. [COUNTER-(1)]

countermand¹ (-ah-), v.t., & n. Revoke (command); recall (person, forces, etc.) by contrary order; cancel order for (goods etc.); (n.) order revoking previous one. [f. *OF* *contremand(er)* n. & vb f. med. *L* *CONTRA* (mandare order)]

coun'termarch, v.i. & t., & n. (Cause to) march in the contrary direction. [COUNTER-(2)]

coun'termark, n. Additional mark, for greater security etc.; additional mark on bale of goods belonging to several merchants; hallmark added to that of the maker. [f. *F* *contremarque*, see COUNTER-(3) & MARK]

coun'termine, n., & v.t. & i. (Mil.) mine made to intercept that of besiegers; submarine mine sunk to explode enemy's mines by its explosion; (fig.) counterplot; (v.t.) oppose by ~; (v.i.) make a ~. [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'termure, n. Wall raised within or behind another as reserve defence. [f. *F* *contremur* (COUNTER-(2), *mur* f. *L* *murus* wall)]

coun'terpane (-in, -ân), n. Outer covering of bed, coverlet, quilt. [f. obs. *counterpoint* f. *OF* *contrepoint* corrupt. of *cuilt-pointe* f. *L* *culcita puncta* stitched QUILT; assim. to *PANE* in obs. sense *cloth*]

coun'terpart, n. Duplicate; person, thing, forming natural complement to another; opposite part of *INDENTURE*. [COUNTER-(3)]

coun'terplot, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). Plot contrived to defeat another; (vb) frustrate by ~, devise ~ (against). [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'terpoint, n. (mus.). Melody added as accompaniment to given melody; art, mode, of adding melodies as accompaniment according to fixed rules; *double*, *triple*, etc. ~, invertible ~, in which the melodies can be changed in position above and below one another; *strict* ~ (acc. to code of rules as academic exercise, not as actual composition). [f. *OF* *contrepoint* f. med. *L* *CONTRAPUNCTUM* pricked opposite, i.e. to the original melody (*pungere punct-* prick)]

coun'terpoise¹ (-z), n. Counterbalancing weight; thing of equivalent force etc. on opposite side; equilibrium. [f. *OF* *contrepois* (contre COUNTER-(1) + *pois* f. *L* *pensum* weight)]

coun'terpoise² (-z), v.t. Counterbalance; compensate; bring into, keep in, equilibrium (lit. & fig.). [f. *OF* *contrepeser* (contre COUNTER- + *peser* f. *L* *pensare* assim. to *prec.*)]

coun'ter-réformâ'tion, n. Reformation running counter to another, esp. that in Church of Rome following on Protestant Reformation. [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'terscarp, n. (fortif.). Outer wall or slope of ditch, supporting covered way. [f. *F* *contrescarpe* f. *It.* *CONTRA* (scarpa SCARP)]

coun'tershaf¹ (-ah-), n. Intermediate shaft driven from main shaft to transmit motion to particular parts of a system of machinery. [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'tersign¹ (-in), n. Watchword, password, given to all men on guard (cf. *PAROLE*); mark used for identification etc. [f. *OF* *contresigne* (see COUNTER-(3) & SIGN)]

coun'tersign² (-in), v.t. Add signature to (document already signed); ratify. [f. *F* *contresigner* (as *prec.*)]

countersink¹, v.t. Bevel off (top of hole) to receive head of screw or bolt; sink (screw-head) in such hole. [COUNTER-(3)]

counter-tên'or, n. (mus.). (Part for, singer with) male voice higher than tenor, alto. [f. obs. *F* *contre-teneur* (see *CONTRA*- & *TENOR*)]

countervail¹, v.t. & i. Counterbalance (esp. in ~ing duty, one put on imports that are bounty-fed to give home goods an equal chance); avail against. [f. *OF* *contrevaloir* f. *L* *CONTRA* *valere*]

coun'terweight (-wät), n. Counterbalancing weight. [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'terwork (-ärk), n., & v.t. & i. (Mil.) work raised in opposition to those of enemy; (gen.) opposing work; (v.t.) counteract, frustrate; (v.i.) work in opposition. [COUNTER-(1)]

coun'tess, n. Wife, widow, of count or earl; lady ranking with count or earl in her own right. [f. *OF* *contesse* f. *LL* *comitissa* fem. of *comes* -itis COUNTESS]

counting-house, n. Building, room, devoted to keeping accounts; office.

coun'tless, a. Too many to count. [-LESS]

coun'trified, -rified, (kün-, -id), a. Rural, rustic, in appearance, manners, etc. [p.p. of *countryfy*, else little used (COUNTRY + *FR*)]

coun'try (kün-), n. Region; territory of a nation; land of a person's birth, citizenship, etc., fatherland; rural districts as opp. to towns, esp. the rest of a land as opp. to the capital; (Cricket sl.) in the ~, far from the wickets; || *APPEAL*¹ to the ~ (body of electors); ~ *club* (orig. U.S.), club with its quarters in a rural district for the sake of outdoor sports; ~ *cousin*, relation of countrified manners or appearance; ~ *house*, -*seat*, residence of ~ gentleman; || ~ *note*, bank-note issued by local bank; ~ *party*, political party supporting agricultural against manufacturing interests; ~ *side*, particular rural district, its inhabitants. [f. *OF* *contryside* f. *LL* *contra* land lying opposite (CONTRA)]

coun'try dance, n. Any rural or native English dance, esp. those in which couples stand face to face in two long lines. [COUNTRY + DANCE; perverted to *contre-dance* etc.]

coun'tryman, n. (fem. *coun'trywoman*). Man of one's own (or a specified) country; person living in rural parts.

coun'ty, n. Territorial division in Great Britain and Ireland, chief unit for administrative, judicial, and political purposes; administrative division in most British colonies; *political and administrative division next below State; people of a ~; ~ PALATINE; || ~ *corporate*, city, town, ranking as administrative ~; || ~ *borough*, one of over 50,000 inhabitants ranking (since 1888) as administrative ~; ~ *council*, representative governing body of administrative ~; ~ *court*, || local court esp. for recovery of small debts, whence ~ *court* (v.t. colloq.), sue in this; || ~ *family* (with ancestral seat in a ~); ~ *town*, seat of ~ administration; || *the* ~, ~ families, so ~ attrib. [f. OF *cunté* f. L *comitatus* (as COUNTRY, see -TRY¹)]

coup (kōō), n. Notable or successful stroke or move; (Billiards) direct hitting of ball; ~ *d'état* (dōtāb'), violent or illegal change in government; ~ *de grâce* (dē grās), finishing stroke; ~ *de main* (see Ap.), sudden vigorous attack; ~ *d'œil* (dū'ē), comprehensive glance, general view; ~ *de théâtre* (tāāh'tr), dramatically sudden or sensational act. [F. f. LL *colpus* f. L f. Gk *kolaphos* blow]

coupé (kōōp'ā), n. Four-wheeled close carriage for two inside & driver; || half-compartment at end of railway carriage. [F. p.p. of *couper* cut, as noun]

cou'ple¹ (kü-), n. Leash for holding two hounds together, whence (fig.) *go, hunt, run, in ~s*; pair, brace, esp. of hunting dogs (collect. sing. for pl., as 15 ~); wedded or engaged pair; pair of partners in dance; a ~ of, two; pair of rafters; (Dynam.) pair of equal and parallel forces acting in opposite directions. [f. OF *copple* f. L COPULA]

cou'ple² (kü-), v.t. & i. Fasten, link, together (esp. dogs in pairs); connect (railway carriages) by a coupling; unite, bring together, (persons); marry (t. & i.); associate in thought or speech (two things together, one with another); (v.i.) unite sexually. [f. OF *copler* (as prec.)]

coup'ler (kü-), n. In vbl senses; esp. contrivance for connecting two manuals, or manual with pedals, or notes with their octaves above or below (*octave* ~), of organ. [prec. + -er¹]

coup'lét (kü-), n. Pair of successive lines of verse. [F. dim. of COUPLE]

coup'ling (kü-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: link connecting railway carriages

trivance for connecting parts of machinery. [-ING¹]

coup'on (kōō-), n. Detachable ticket entitling holder to periodical payments of interest, services of excursion agency, ration under food-control, etc. (*clothing, petrol*, ~, entitling holder to ration of clothing and petrol); || (Pol. sl.) party leader's recognition of parliamentary candidate as deserving election; voucher given with retail purchase, a certain number of which entitle holder to a 'free gift' (so ~ *system*). [F. = piece cut off (*couper*, see COUPÉ, -OON)]

cou'rage (kü-), n. Bravery, boldness, as *take, pluck up, lose*, ~; (Galloisism) *take one's ~ in both hands*, nerve oneself to a venture; *Dutch* ~ (induced by drinking); ~ of one's *opinions*, ~ to act up to them. [OF (*cour* f. L *cor* heart, see -AGE)]

cour'ageous (kurāj'us), a. Brave, fearless. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *corageus* f. prec., see -OUS]

cour'rier (kōō-), n. Servant employed to make travelling arrangements on continent; title of newspapers, as *Liverpool C*; running messenger. [(1) ME *corour* f. OF *coreur* f. LL *curritorem* (*currere* *cur*-run, see -OR²); (2) 16th-c. F. f. It. *corriere* (*corre* run f. L *currere*)]

cour'lan (kōor-), n. Long-billed rail-like wading bird of tropical America, noted for its dismal cry; Crying Bird, limpkin. [F]

course¹ (kōts), n. 1. Onward movement; pursuit of game esp. of hares with (grey)-hounds; direction taken, as *hold, take, change*, one's ~, *ship's* ~, a *dangerous* ~ (line of conduct), ~ of *events*, ~ of *nature* (ordinary procedure); (pl.) *evil* ~s (behaviour). 2. Ground on which race is run (also *race*~); channel in which water flows; golf links. 3. ~ of EXCHANGE. 4. Career; series (of lectures etc.); rota for duty among members of cathedral body. 5. Each of successive divisions of meal (esp. soup, fish, joint, etc.). 6. Continuous layer of stone etc. in building. 7. (Naut.) *fore, main*, ~, fore, main, -sail. 8. *In the* ~ of, during; *by* ~ of, according to ordinary procedure of (law etc.); *in due* ~, in the natural order; of ~, naturally; *matter of* ~, natural thing. [partly f. F *cours* f. L *cursum* -ūs (as COURIER); partly f. F *course* fem. noun f. L p.p. of *currere* run, cf. -ADE]

course² (kōts), v.t. & i. Pursue (game, as prec.); run about, run, (esp. of liquids); give (horse) a run; use (hounds) in coursing. [f. prec.]

cours'er (kōr-), n. (poet.). Swift horse. [f. OF *corsier* f. L ⁺*currarius* (*currere* *course*, see -ARY¹); orig. = warhorse, charger]

court¹ (kōrt), n. 1. (Also ~yard) space enclosed by walls or buildings; || (Camb.

Univ.) college quadrangle; subdivision of an Exhibition building, museum, etc., open to the general roof; || confined yard opening off street. 2. Enclosed quadrangular area, open or covered, for games, as *tennis, fives*, ~; plot of ground marked out for lawn-tennis. 3. || Sovereign's residence; his establishment and retinue; the body of courtiers; || sovereign and his councillors as ruling power, as *C~ of St James's* (British sovereign's ~); assembly held by sovereign, state reception; *High C~* (assembly) of Parliament. 4. Assembly of judges or other persons acting as tribunal, as ~ of law, law~, ~ of justice, ~ of judicature, COUNTY, criminal, POLICE, ~; C~ of ADMIRALTY, COMMON¹ pleas, EQUITY, etc.; place, hall, in which justice is administered; out of ~, (of plaintiff, and fig. of arguments) not entitled to be heard. 5. (Meeting of) qualified members of company or corporation; (in some friendly societies) = LODGE¹. 6. Attention paid to one whose favour, affection, interest, is sought, as *pay ~ to*. 7. || ~ card (orig. *court-card*), king, queen, knave; || ~ circular, daily report of ~ doings published in newspapers; || ~ guide, directory containing (theoretically) names of those who have been presented at ~; ~ martial, judicial ~ of military or naval officers, (v.t., ~martial) try by this; *drum-head ~ martial* (held round upturned drum in time of war); ~ plaster, sticking-plaster for cuts etc. (formerly used by ladies at ~ for face-patches); ~ roll, manorial-court register of holdings (see COPY¹). [f. OF *cort* f. L *(co)ortem* (nom. -ore), yard, COURT; the senses of assembly, judicial court, by confus. in F with L *curia*]

court² (kōrt), v.t. Pay court to; make love to (also abs.); entice (person, into, to, from, etc.); seek to win (applause etc.); invite (inquiry etc.; *you are ~ing disaster*). [prec.]

court'eous (kōr-, kē-), a. Polite, kind, considerate, in manner or address. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *cortais* = It. *cortese* (*corte* COURT¹, see -ESE), assim. to wds in -OUS]

courtesan, -zan (kōrtizán'), n. Prostitute. [f. F *courtisane* f. It. *cortigiana*, fem. adj. as n. (as prec. + -ano -AN)]

court'esy (kōr-, kē-), n. Courteous behaviour or disposition; by ~, by favour, not of right; || ~ title, one held by ~, having no legal validity; || (Law) ~ of England, Scotland, husband's tenure after wife's death of certain kinds of property inherited by her; = CURTESY. [f. OF *cortesia* = It. *cortesia* (*corte* COURTEOUS)]

court'ier (kōr-), n. Attendant at, frequenter of, sovereign's court. [prob. f. OF *cortoyeur* f. *cortoyer* vb (*corte* COURT¹)]

court'ly (kōr-), a. Polished, refined, in manners; obsequious, flattering. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

court'ship (kōr-), n. Courting, wooing, with view to marriage. [-SHIP]

couscous(sou) (kōu'skōusō), n. African dish of granulated flour steamed over broth, freq. with meat added. [F, f. Arab. *kuskus* (*kaskasa* bruise)]

cous'in (kūzn), n. (Also *first ~*, ~ *german*) child of one's uncle or aunt; *my second ~*, my parent's first ~s child; *my first (second etc.) ~ once (twice etc.) removed*, my first (second etc.) ~s child (grand-child etc.), also, my parent's (grand-parent's etc.) first (second etc.) ~; *call ~s*, claim kinship (*with*); title used by sovereign in addressing another sovereign or a nobleman of same country; || ~ *Jacky*, (nickname for) Cornishman. Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~LY¹ a., (kūzn-). [F, f. L *CON(sobrinus, -na, f. soror* sister) ~ by mother's side]

coûte que coûte (kōutkēkōt'), adv. At all costs. [F]

couvade (kōovahd'), n. Primitive people's custom by which husband feigns illness and is put to bed when his wife lies in. [obs. F, f. *couver* hatch]

cove¹, n. Small bay or creek; sheltered recess; (Archit.) concave arch, curved junction of wall with ceiling or floor. [com.-Teut.; OE *cofa*]

cove², v.t. Arch (esp. ceiling at junction with wall); slope (fireplace sides) inwards. [prec.]

cove³, n. (sl.). Fellow, chap. [thieves' cant, etym. dub.]

|| **co'ven** (kū-), n. (Sc.). Assembly of witches. [var. of AF *covent*, see CONVENT]

co'venant (kū-), n., & v.t. & i. Compact, bargain; (Law) contract under seal, clause of this; (Bibl.) compact between God and the Israelites, as *ARK of the ~*, *land of the ~* (Canaan); *Solemn League and C~* (establishing Presbyterianism in England and Scotland, 1643); C~ of the *League of Nations*, document constituting the League, incorporated in the Treaty of Versailles & other treaties concluding the first world war (1919); (v.t. & i.) agree (with person for thing, to do, that). [vb f. n.] OF, part. of *convenir*, see CONVEYE]

co'venantéd (kū-), a. Bound by a covenant, esp. of Indian Civil servants (*the ~ service*). [-ED¹]

co'venanter (kū-), n. One who covenants, esp. (Sc. Hist.) adherent of the National Covenant (1638) or Solemn League & COVENANT. [-ER¹]

Cōv'ent Gard'en, n. (Used for) the ~ fruit and vegetable market in London.

Cōv'entry (also kū-), n. Town in Warwickshire; *send person to ~*, refuse to associate with him.

co'ver¹ (kū-), v.t. Overspread, overlay, (*with* cloth, lid, etc., also fig. *with* diagrams etc.); *strew thoroughly (with)*; *lie even*, be a covering to; extend over, occupy the surface of; protect; ~ing letter,

explanatory one with enclosure; (of fortress, guns, etc.) command (territory); conceal (feelings etc.); ~ with gun, present gun at; (Mil., Cricket) stand behind (front-rank man, another player to stop balls he misses; ~point, fielder ~ing point, his place); include, comprise; (Journalism) report (proceedings of a meeting, public dinner, etc.); suffice to defray (expenses); protect by insurance; (of stallion) copulate with; ~ in, complete the covering of, fill in (grave etc.) with earth; ~ up, conceal, esp. by wrapping up. Hence ~ING¹ (3) n. [f. OF *cuvrir* f. L *cooperire* open-]

co'ver² (kü-), n. Thing that covers; lid; binding of book; either board of this, as from ~ to ~; wrapper, envelope, of letter, as address person under ~ to another; case of bicycle tire; hiding-place, shelter, (take ~, Mil., utilize lie of ground for protection); protection from attack (cloud ~); a force of aircraft for protecting a land or sea operation (air, fighter, ~); screen, pretence, as under (the) ~ of humility; woods or undergrowth sheltering game, COVERT²; (Commere.) funds to meet liability or secure against contingent loss; plate, napkin, etc., laid for each person at table. [f. prec.]

co'verlét, -lid, (kü-), n. Counterpane, quilt; covering. [earlier *coverlét* perh. f. OF ⁺*couvre-lit* (as COVER¹ + *lit* bed)]

co'vert¹ (kü-), a. (Of throat, glance, etc.) secret, disguised. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF (as COVER¹)]

co'vert² (kü'vert, -er), n. Shelter, esp. thickset hiding game; ~ coat, short light overcoat. [f. F *couvert* p.p. as n. (COVER¹)]

co'verture (kü-), n. Covering, cover; shelter; condition of married woman under husband's protection. [OF (as COVER¹, see -URE)]

co'vét (kü-), v.t. Desire eagerly (usu. what belongs to another). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *coveitier* f. L ⁺*cupiditare* (as CUPIDITY)]

co'vetous (kü-), a. Eagerly desirous (of another's property etc.); grasping, avaricious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *coveitius* (as prec., see -OUS)]

co'vey (kü-), n. (pl. ~s). Brood of partidges; family, party, set. [f. OF *covee* f. *cover* hatch f. L *cubare*, see -ADE]

co'vin (kü-), n. (legal, arch.). Conspiracy, collusion. [OF, f. LL *conventum* f. *convener* one who meets others (as CONVENT)]

co'ving, n. Arched piece of building; (pl.) curved sides of fire-place. [COVE² + -ING¹]

cow¹, n. (pl. ~s, arch. *kine*). Female of any bovine animal, esp. of the domestic species (the ~ with the iron tail, pump as used in adulterating milk); female of elephant, rhinoceros, whale, seal, etc.; ~bane, water hemlock; ~boy, boy in

charge of ~s, *man in charge of grazing cattle on ranch; ~-catcher, apparatus fixed in front of locomotive engine to remove cattle & other obstructions; ~fish, (1) sea-cow, (2) Indian & American fish with horn-like spines over eyes; ~grass, wild species of Trefol; ~heel, foot of ~ or ox stewed to jelly; ~herd, one who tends ~s at pasture; ~hide, (leather, whip, made of) ~s hide; ~ich, = OOWAGE; ~-puncher, = ~boy; ~shot (Cricket sl.), violent pull made in crouching position; ~tree, S.-American tree with milk-like juice. Hence ~ISH¹ a. [com.-Tent.; OE *cū* f. OTent. *kous* f. Aryan *gʷous* (Skr. *gāus*, Gk *bous*, L *bos*)]

cow², v.t. Intimidate. [perh. f. ON *kuga*]

cow'age, **cowh**-, n. Tropical plant with stinging hairs on pod. [f. Hind. *kawach*]

|| **cow'an**, n. (Sc.). Working but unqualified mason; (hence) intruder on a free-masons' lodge. [?]

cow'ard, n. & a. Faint-hearted, pusillanimous, (person). Hence ~LINESS n., ~LY¹ a., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *coart* = It. *codardo* (codā tail f. L *cauda*, -ARD)]

cow'ardice, n. Faint-heartedness; moral ~, fear of disapprobation. [f. OF *cowardise* (as prec., see -ICE)]

cow'er, v.i. Stand, squat, in bent position; crouch, esp. from fear. [etym. dub.; cf. Icel. *kúra* sleep, Da. *kure* squat; also G *kauern*]

cowl¹, n. Monk's hooded garment; hood of this; hood-shaped covering of chimney or ventilating shaft. Hence **cowled**¹ (-id) a. [(1) OE *cugela* f. LL *cuculla* f. L *cucullus* hood of cloak; (2) OE *cufle* cogn. w. Du. *keuvel*, conn. w. Icel. *kof* cowl]

|| **cowl**², coul (-ow-), n. Tub for water, esp. one with two ears, carried by two men on ~staff. [prob. f. OF *cuvelle* f. L *cupella* dim. of *cupa*]

cow'pōx, n. Disease on teats of cows, communicated to human beings by vaccination.

cowr'le, -y, n. Shell of small gastropod found in Indian Ocean, used as money in Africa & S. Asia; the animal; kinds of gastropod including common ~ of British coast. [f. Hind. *kauri*]

cow'slip, n. || Wild plant growing in pastures, with fragrant yellow flowers; || ~ tea, wine (made from these). [OE *cū-slyppe* prob. = cow-dung (*cū*-cow- + *slyppe* slimy substance)]

cōx, n., & v.t. & i., (colloq.). = COXSWAIN, esp. of racing boat; (vb) act as ~ (of). [abbr.]

cōx'a, n. (pl. -ae). Hip. Hence **cōx'AL** a. [L]

cōx'comb (-ōm), n. Conceited showy person. Hence **cōxcōmb'IOAL** (-mī-) a. [= *cock's comb*; orig. (cap worn by) professional foil]

cóx'combry (-komrɪ), n. Foppery, behaviour of a coxcomb. [-RY]

cóx'swain (-kswán, -ksn), n. (abbr. cox). Helmsman of boat; person on board ship permanently in charge of, & (unless superior officer is present) commanding, boat & crew. Hence ~LESS a., ~SHIP n. [earlier *cockswain* (cock = COCKBOAT + SWAIN), cf. BOATSWAIN]

coxy. See COCKY.

coy, a. Modest, shy, (usu. of girl); (of place) secluded; ~ of, backward, reserved, in (speech etc.). Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *coi* (fem. *coite*) f. L as QUIET]

coyô't'é (ko-, also ki'ót), n. N.-American prairie-wolf. [Mex. Sp., f. Mex. *coyote*]

coypu (koi'pó), n. S.-American aquatic beaver-like rodent (cf. NUTRIA). [native name]

coz (küz), n. (arch.). Abbr. of COUSIN.

côze, v.i., & n. (Have a) chat. [(vb) prob. f. F *causer*; n. perh. influenced by COSY]

co'sen (kü-), v.t. & i. (literary). Cheat, defraud, (of, out of); beguile (into doing); act deceitfully. Hence ~AGE(3) n. [?]

côz'y, a. See COSY.

cráb¹, n. Kinds of ten-footed crustacean, esp. edible species found near most seacoasts; zodiacal constellation, CANCER; machine (orig. with claws) for hoisting heavy weights; (pl.) lowest throw at hazard, two aces, whence *turn out* ~s, end in failure; *catch a* ~ in rowing, get oar jammed under water by faulty stroke; ~s *eyes*, round concretion of carbonate of lime, found in stomach of crayfish; ~(-louse), parasitical insect infesting human body; ~-pot, wicker trap for ~s. Hence ~LET n., ~LIKE a. & adv. [OE *crabba* = ON *krabbi*, Du. *krabbe*, cogn. w. LG *krabben* scratch, claw]

cráb², v.t. & i. (-bb-). (Of hawks) scratch, claw, fight with, (each other or abs.); (colloq.) cry down, pull to pieces. [prob. -LG as prec.]

cráb³, n. (Also ~apple) wild apple (fruit & tree); sour person. [?]

crább'éd, a. Cross-grained, perverse; churlish, irritable; (of writings or authors) ruggedly intricate, difficult to make out; (of handwriting) ill-formed & hard to decipher; sour, harsh. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. Also (in first two senses only) **crább'y** a. [CRAB¹ + -ED³, influenced in sense by CRAB¹]

cräck¹, n. & a. Sudden sharp noise (of whip, rifle, thunder); ~ of doom, thunder-peal of Day of Judgement; sharp blow, as *a* ~ on the head; in *a* ~, in a moment; (arch., sl.) boast, lie; || (Sc. & North.) brisk talk, (pl.) news; (sl.) = WISE¹ ~; fissure formed by breakage; partial fracture (the parts still cohering); good player, horse, etc.; burglar; house-breaking; (adj., colloq.) first-rate; ~-brained, crazy. [f. foll.; not in OE]

cräck², v.t. & i. (Cause to) make sharp noise, as ~ *a* whip, *whips* ~; ~ (utter) *a* joke; chat; ~ *up*, praise; break (nut, skull, etc.) with sudden sharp report; ~ *a* bottle, empty, drink it; (sl.) ~ *a* crib, break into a house; break (t. & i.) without complete separation of parts; *voice* ~s, *is* ~ed (becomes dissonant, esp. at age of puberty); damage, ruin, (credit etc.); decompose (heavy oils) by heat and pressure to produce lighter hydrocarbons (such as petrol); (p.p., colloq.) crazy, insane; ~-jaw (colloq.), (word) difficult to pronounce. Hence ~ABLE a. [com.-Teut.; OE *cracian*, Du. *kraken*, G *krachen*]

cräck'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: firework exploding with sharp report; explosive bon-bon; instrument for cracking, as *nut* ~s; thin hard biscuit; *biscuit; smash, breakdown; (school sl.) lie; *~jack (sl.), exceptionally fine or expert (thing or person); ~s, pred. a. (sl.), crazy, mad. [-ER¹]

cräc'kle, v.i., & n. Emit slight cracking sound; (n.) such sound, (also ~china, -glass, -ware) china, glass, with appearance of minute cracks. [(n. f. vb) CRACK² + -LE(3)]

cräck'ling, n. In vbl senses; also, crisp skin of roast pork. [prec. + -ING¹]

cräck'nel, n. Light crisp kind of biscuit. [prob. f. F *cracquin*]

cräcks'man, n. Burglar. [CRACK¹, MAN]

cräck'y, a. Full of cracks; apt to crack; (colloq.) crazy. [-Y¹]

-**cracy**, noun suf. added to Gk stems (and as -ocracy to E wds), meaning 'rule of, ruling body of, class influential by'; thus *democracy* = popular government, *the d.* = the lower classes as political power; *plutocracy* = government by the rich, *the p.* those whose wealth gives them power; so *colonocracy* etc. [f. F *-cratie* f. Gk -kratia (kratos power)]

crä'dle, n., & v.t. 1. Bed, cot, for infant, mounted on rockers; *from the* ~, from infancy; (fig.) place in which thing is nurtured in earliest stage, as ~ of an art, of a nation; framework resembling ~, esp. (Naut.) that on which ship rests during construction or repairs; frame attached to scythe to lay corn evenly; (Engraving) kind of serrated chisel, rocking-tool; (Mining) trough on rockers in which auriferous earth is shaken in water; OAR'S ~. 2. v.t. Place in (child's, ship's) ~, contain or shelter as ~, mow (corn) with ~-scythe. [OE *cradol*, etym. dub.]

cräd'ling, n. In vbl senses; also (Archit.) wood or iron framework. [prec. + -ING¹]

craft (-ah-), n. Skill: cunning, deceit; art, trade, (esp. in comb., as *handi* ~, *priest* ~, *state* ~); *the gentle* ~, angling; members of a ~; *the O.*, brotherhood of Freemasons; boat, vessel, (pl. *crafts*); ~-brother, ~guild, workman, guild of workmen, of

same trade; ~s'man, one who practises a ~, whence ~s'manship(3) (-ah-) n. [com.-Tent.; OE *craft*, G *craft* strength]

craft'y (-ah-), a. Cunning, artful, wily. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [com.-Tent.; OE *craftig* (CRAFT, see -y²)]

crāg¹, n. Steep or rugged rock; ~s'man, skilled climber of ~s. Hence ~g'ed², ~g'y², aa., ~g'edness, ~g'iness, nn., (-g-). [prob. Celt.; cf. Ir. *creag*]

|| **crāg**², n. (geol.). Deposits of shelly sand found in Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex. [perh. = prec.]

crāke, n., & v.i. Kinds of bird including CORN~; cry of the corn~; (v.i.) utter this. [imit., cf. CROAK]

crām, v.t. & i. (-mm-), & n. 1. Fill overfull; force (thing into, down); ~ down one's throat, tell him repeatedly; stuff (poultry etc. with food); eat greedily; (fig.) prepare (t. & l.) for examination; learn, get up, (subject) for special purpose; ~full, as full as ~ming can make it. 2. n. Crowd, ~ming for examination; (sl.) lie. [(n. f. vb) OE *crammian* f. *crimman* insert, cf. OHG *krimman*, pinch]

crām'bō, n. Game in which one player gives word to which each of the others must find rhyme; *dumb* ~, game in which one side must guess word, a rhyme to which is given, by representing other rhymes to it in dumb show. [prob. f. L *crambe repetita* cabbage served up again]

crām'm'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who crams (esp. pupils); lie. [-ER¹]

crām'oisy, -m'esy, (-z-), a. & n. (arch.). Crimson (cloth). [f. It. *cremesi*, *chermesi*, f. Arab. *qirmasi* of the KERMES]

crāmp¹, n. Contraction of muscles from sudden chill, strain, etc.; ~fish, electric ray, torpedo. [f. OF *crampe* f. same root as CRAM]

crāmp², n. (Also ~iron) metal bar with bent ends for holding masonry etc. together; portable tool for pressing two planks etc. together; restraint. [as prec., but thr. Du.]

crāmp³, a. Hard to make out, as ~ word, *handwriting*; contracted, cramped. Hence ~ness n. [f. CRAMP¹ or OF *crampe* a.]

crāmp⁴, v.t. Affect with CRAMP¹; confine narrowly (also ~ up); (fig.) restrict (energies etc.); fasten with CRAMP². Hence ~edness n.

crām'pon, n. Metal hook, grappling-iron; iron plate with spikes for walking on ice etc. [F, f. LL *cramponem*, nom. -o, f. root of CRAMP¹]

|| **crān**, n. (Sc.). Measure for fresh herrings (87½ gal.). [?]

crān'age, n. Use of crane; dues paid for this. [CRANE¹ + AGE]

crān'berry, n. Small dark-red acid berry, fruit of dwarf shrub native of Britain, N. Europe, N. America, etc. [recent in E, thr. N. Amer. colonists f. LG *krónbere*]

crāne¹, n. Large wading bird with long

legs, neck, and bill; machine for moving heavy weights; siphon; (also *water*~) tube for supplying water to locomotive; ~fly, daddy-long-legs; ~s-bill, various species of geranium. [OE *cran*, cf. Du. *kraan*, G *kranich*]

crāne², v.t. & i. Move with crane; stretch (neck), stretch neck, like crane; ~ at, pull up at, shrink from, (hedge, difficulty). [f. prec.]

crānio- in comb. = foll., as *craniolo'gical*, -LOGIST, -LOGY (-ōl-), -METRY (-ōm-).

crān'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Bones enclosing the brain; bones of the whole head, skull. Hence **crān'ial**a. [med. L, f. Gk *kranion* skull]

crānk¹, n., & v.t. 1. Part of axle or shaft bent at right angles for converting reciprocal into circular motion, or vice versa; elbow-shaped connexion in bell-hanging; revolving disk turned by criminals as punishment. 2. v.t. Bend into ~ shape, furnish or fasten with ~; ~ up, set (engine of motor-car) going by turning a ~ (also abs.). [(vb f. n.) OE *cranc* prob. f. *crincan* (past *cranc*) rare by-form of *cringan* contract, curl up]

crānk², n. Fanciful turn of speech; eccentric idea or act; eccentric person. [different, f. prec.]

crānk³, a. Weak, shaky, (usu. of machinery). [f. CRANK¹]

crānk⁴, a. (naut.). Liable to capsize. [?]

crankle (-āng'kl), v.i., & n. Bend in and out, twist; (n.) bend, twist. [(n. f. vb) CRANK¹ vb + -LE]

crānk'y, a. Sickly; shaky, crazy; capricious; crotchety, eccentric; full of twists; (Naut.)=CRANK⁴. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [CRANK^{1,2,3,4} + -y²]

crānn'og, n. Ancient lake-dwelling in Scotland or Ireland. [Ir. (*crann* tree, beam)]

crānn'y, n. Chink, crevice, crack. Hence ~ied² (-id) a. [prob. f. F *cran*, etym. dub.]

crāpe, n., & v.t. Gauze-like fabric with wrinkled surface, usu. of black silk or imitation silk (of other colour or material now usu. CRÈPE), used for mourning dress; band of this round hat etc. as sign of mourning; ~cloth, ~like woollen material; (v.t.) cover, clothe, drape, with ~. Hence **crāp'y** a. [f. CRÈPE]

crāped (-pt), a. In vbl senses; also, crisped, crimped. [CRAPE + ED^{2,1}]

***crāps**, n. pl. Game of chance played with dice; shoot ~, play this. [etym. dub., perh. orig. F]

crāp'ulent, a. Given to, suffering from effects of, resulting from, intemperance. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~OUS a. [f. L *crapulentus* (*crapula* debauch f. Gk *krapalē* drunken headache, see -LENT)]

crāsh¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make a ~ (see n.); move, go, with a ~, (of aircraft or airman) fall to earth; (v.t.) dash in pieces,

throw, force, drive, with a ~; *go, fall, ~* (with a ~). 2. n. Noise as of broken crockery, thunder, loud music, etc., violent percussion or breakage, (fig.) ruin, collapse of mercantile credit: ~*dive*, (of submarine) dive hastily and steeply in an emergency (also as n.); ~*land*, (of aircraft or airman) land hurriedly with a ~, usu. without lowering undercarriage. [imit.]

crāsh², n. Coarse linen for towels etc. [?]]

crās'is, n. (Gk gram.). Combination of the vowels of two syllables (as *kagō* for *kai egō*). [Gk, = mixture (*kerannumi* mix)]

crāss, a. Thick, gross; (fig.) gross, as ~*stupidity*; grossly stupid. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *crassus* solid, thick]

crāss'itude, n. Grossness; gross stupidity. [f. L *crassitudo* (as prec., see -*TUDE*)]

-crat, noun suff. = supporter, member, of a -*CRACY*, & used & appended similarly (-*crat*, -*ocrat*). Hence -**crāt'ic**(AL) adj. suff. [f. F -*craté* formed f. adj.] in -*cratigue* (on anal. of Gk *autokratēs* or independently) f. (Gk -*kralia* -*CRACY*)

crātch, n. Rack for feeding beasts out of doors. [f. OF *creche*; cf. OIIG *chrippa* CRIN]

crāte, n. Large open-work case or basket for carrying glass, crockery, fruit, etc. Hence ~*FUL* (-*tf*.) n. [prob. f. L *cratis* hurdle]

crāt'er, n. Mouth of volcano; bowl-shaped cavity, esp. that made by explosion of shell or bomb. Hence ~*IFORM* a. [L, f. Gk *kratēr* mixing-bowl for wine (*kerannumi* mix)]

cravāt', n. Neckcloth, tie, (now arch. or shop). Hence ~*t'ED*² a. [f. F *cravate* f. G *Krabate* Croatian]

crāve, v.t. & i. Beg for; long for; beg, long, *for*. [OE *cræfan*]

crāv'en, a. & n. Cowardly, abject. (person); *cray* ~, surrender. Hence ~*LY*² adv. [?]

craw, n. Crop of birds or insects. [ME *crawe* cogn. w. Du. *kraag* neck]

crawfish. See *CRAYFISH*.

crawl¹, n. Pen in shallow water for fish, turtles, etc.; = *KRAAL*. [f. Du. *KRAAL*]

crawl², v.i. & n. 1. Move slowly, dragging body along close to ground, or on hands & knees; walk, move, slowly; creep abjectly; (of ground etc.) be alive *with* crawling things; feel creepy sensation. whence ~*Y*² a. 2. n. ~ing; *the* ~, a modern high-speed swimming stroke. [(n. f. vb) prob. f. Norse; cf. Da. *kravle* crawl, Sw. *krafla* grope]

crawl'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: baby's overall; louse; cab moving slowly in search of fare. [-*ER*']

crayfish, **crawl**², n. Small lobster-like fresh-water crustacean; spiny lobster. [ME & OF *crevice* f. OHG *crebig* f. same st. as *CRAB*']

cray'on, n. & v.t. Stick, pencil, of coloured chalk or other material for

drawing; carbon point in electric arc lamp; (v.t.) draw with ~s, (fig.) sketch. [(n.) F *crayon* f. L *crata* chalk, see -*oon*]; (vb) f. F *crayonner*]

crāze, v.t. & i. & n. Render insane (usu. in p.p.); produce small cracks on (pottery); (v.i.) have such cracks; (n.) insane fancy, mania, crazy condition, (*be the* ~, be generally sought or affected). [(n. f. vb) orig. = break, shatter, perh. (direct or thr. OF *acraser* = *écraser*) f. Sw. *krasa*]

crāz'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~*mill* (for crushing tin ore). [-*ING*¹]

crāz'y, a. (Of ship, building, etc.) unsound, shaky; sickly; insane, mad; (colloq.) extremely enthusiastic (*about*); (of paving, quilts, etc.) made of irregular pieces fitted together. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*INESS* n. [GRAZE + -*Y*²]

creak, n., & v.i. Harsh strident noise, as of unrolled hinge, new boots, etc.; (v.i.) make this. Hence ~*Y*² a. [prob. imit.]

cream¹, n. Oily part of milk, which gathers on the top, & by churning is made into butter; *clotted* (also *Devonshire*) ~; fancy dish, sweet, like or made of ~; best part of anything, esp. the point of an anecdote; part of a liquid that gathers at the top; ~*of tartar*, purified & crystallized bitartrate of potassium, used in medicine etc.; ~*of time* (pure slaked); ~*like* preparation, as *cold* ~ (cooling unguent); ~*coloured* horse; ~*cheese*, soft rich kind made of unskimmed milk & ~; ~*fruit*, a ~*like* fruit of Sierra Leone; ~*coloured*, yellowish white; ~*laid*, -*wove*, *paper*, *laid*, *wove*, *paper* of ~ colour; ~*separator*, machine for separating ~ from milk. Hence ~*Y*² a., ~*INESS* n. [f. F *crème* f. L as *CHEISM*]

cream², v.i. & t. (Of milk & liquids) form cream or scum; cause (milk) to ~; take cream from (milk); take the best part of (anything); add cream to (tea etc.). [f. prec.]

cream'er, n. Flat dish for skimming cream off milk; machine for separating cream. [-*ER*¹]

cream'ery, n. Butter-factory; shop where milk, cream, etc., are sold. [f. F *crémérie* (as *CREAM*¹, see -*ERY*)]

crease, n., & v.t. & i. Line caused by folding, fold, wrinkle; (Cricket) line defining position of bowler & batsman, as *bowling* ~ (from behind which bowler delivers ball); *POPPING* ~; (v.t.) make ~s in (material); (v.i.) fall into ~s. Hence **creas'Y**² a. [?]

créat'ie, v.t. Bring into existence, give rise to; originate, as (of actor) ~*e a part*; invest (person) with rank, as ~*e a man a peer*, ~*e a peer*. Hence ~*IVE* a., ~*IVEN*² adv., ~*IVENNESS* n. [f. L *creare*, see -*ARE*²]

créatine, n. An organic base found in the juice of flesh. [f. Gk *kras* -*atos* moist + -*INE*²]

créa'tion, n. Act of creating (esp. the world); investing with title, rank, etc. (~ of peers, ultimate means of overcoming resistance of House of Lords to will of Commons); all created things; a production of the human (esp. dressmaker's, actor's) intelligence, esp. of the imagination. [f. F *création* f. L *creationem* (as *CREATE*, see -ATION)]

créa'tionism (-sho-), n. Theory that God creates a soul for every human being at birth; theory that attributes origin of matter & species to special creation (not EVOLUTION). So ~IST n. [-ISM]

créat'or, n. The C~, the Supreme Being; one who creates, whence **créat'ress**¹ n. [OF, f. L *creatorum* (as *CREATE*, see -OR²)]

crea'ture, n. Created thing; animate being; animal (often as distinct from man); human being, person, (often expr. admiration, contempt, patronage, etc.); one who owes his fortune to another; mere instrument; the ~ (often spelt as Ir., *cratur* etc.) whisky or other intoxicant; ~ COMFORTS. [f. F *créature* f. L *creatura* (as *prec.*, see -URE)]

crea'turely (-rli-), a. Of creatures. [-LY¹]

crèche (krášh), n. Public nursery for infants. [F (as CRATCH)]

créd'at Judae'us (Apél'a) (jôô-), sent. expressing incredulity. [L, =let the Jew Appella believe it, see *Hor. Sat.* l. v. 100]

créd'ence, n. Belief; *give ~ to*, believe; *letter of ~* (introduction); small side table for eucharistic elements before consecration. [f. med. L *credentia* (*credere* believe, see -ENCE)]

crédén'tial, n. (usu. pl.; -shalz). Letter(s) of introduction (also fig.). [as CREDENCE + -AL]

créd'ible, a. (Of persons or statements) believable, worthy of belief. Hence or cogn. ~BIL'ITY n., ~BLY² adv. [f. L *credibilis* (as CREDENCE, see -BLE)]

créd'it¹, n. Belief, trust; *give ~ to*, believe (story); good reputation; power derived from this; acknowledgement of merit, as *have the ~ of*, *get ~ for*; source of honour, as *a ~ to the school*, *it does him ~*; trust in person's ability & intention to pay, as *give ~, deal on ~, long ~*; reputation of solvency & honesty; sum placed at person's disposal in books of a bank etc.; *letter of ~* (authorizing person to draw money from writer's correspondent in another place); (Bookkeeping) acknowledgement of payment by entry in account, summed on ~ side of account (cf. DEBIT), this side; *give person ~ for*, enter (sum) to his ~, (fig.) ascribe (quality) to him. [f. F *crédit* f. L *credere* -it believe, trust]

créd'it², v.t. Believe; carry to credit side of account (~ amount to person, person with amount); (fig.) ~ person with, *think he has (a quality)*. [f. *prec.*]

créd'itable, a. That brings credit or honour (to). Hence ~LY² adv. [-ABLE]

créd'itor, n. One to whom a debt is owing; (Bookkeeping) ~ (abbr. Cr) side of account, right-hand side. [f. OF *crediteur* f. L *creditorum* (as CREDIT¹, see -OR²)]

créd'ô, n. (pl. -os). Creed (esp. Apostles' & Nicene, beginning in Latin with ~); musical setting of Nicene Creed. [L, =I believe]

créd'ulous, a. Too ready to believe; (of things) showing such readiness. Hence or cogn. **crédul'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *credulus* (*credere* believe)]

creed, n. Brief formal summary of Christian doctrine, esp. *Apostles' (also the C~), Nicene, Athanasian, C~*; system of religious belief; set of opinions on any subject. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *creða*, f. L *CREDO*]

creek, n. || Inlet on sea-coast; small harbour; short arm of river; (U.S. & Colon.) tributary river; narrow plain between mountains. [etym. dub., prob. G; ME *crike* (cf. F *crique*), later *creke* (cf. Du. *kreke*), *crick* (cf. Sw. *krik*)]

creel, n. Large wicker basket for fish; angler's fishing-basket. [orig. Sc., etym. dub.]

creep, v.i. (*créph*), & n. 1. Move with body prone & close to ground; move timidly, slowly, or stealthily; ~ing BARRAGE; insinuate oneself *into*, come *in*, up, unobserved; proceed, exist, abjectly; (of plants) grow along ground, wall, etc.; *flesh ~s*, feels as if things were ~ing over it (result of fear, repugnance, etc.); (Naut.) drag with creeper at bottom of water; ~mouse (adj.), timid, shy. 2. n. ~ing; shrinking horror, as (colloq. pl.) *gave me the ~s*; low arch under railway embankment; opening in hedge etc.; (Geol.) gradual movement of disintegrated rock due to atmospheric changes etc. [(n. f. vb) com.-Teut.; OE *creopan*, Du. *kruipe(n)*]

creep'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: plant that creeps along ground or up wall; (colloq.) tea-planting pupil in Ceylon; grapnel for dragging bottom of water. [-ER¹]

creep'y, a. Having a creeping of the flesh; productive of this; given to creeping. So ~crawl'y a. [-Y²]

creese, **crease**, **kris** (-és, -is), n. Malay dagger with wavy blade. [Malay (*kris*), *kres*]

crém'âte¹, v.t. Consume (esp. corpse) by fire. So ~A'TION, ~A'TIONIST(2) (-sho-), nn. [f. L *cremare*, see -ATE²]

crémât'or, n. Person, furnace, cremating corpses or rubbish. Hence **crémator'ium** (pl. -s, -ia), **crém'atory**(2), nn. [L (as *prec.*, see -OR²)]

crème (-ám), n. ~ *de menthe* (damahnt), peppermint liqueur; ~ *de la ~* (-diah-), the very pick, elite. [F]

crémón'a, n. Violin made at C~; cromo-na. [place]

crên'ate, -âted, *a.* (bot., zool.). With notched or toothed edge. Hence **crêna'tion** *n.* [f. It. *crena* notch, etym. dub., see -ATE³]

crên'ature, *n.* Rounded tooth on edge of leaf etc. [as prec. see -URE]

crên'el, **crênêlle'**, *n.* Open space in embattled parapet, for shooting through etc. [OF (-el), dim. of *cren* = It. *crena* (see CRENATE)]

crên'el(l)âte, *v.t.* Furnish with battlements or loopholes. Hence **crênella'tion** *n.* [on F *crêneler* (as prec.), see -ATE³]

crê'ôle, *n. & a.* (Descendant of) European (also ~ *white*) or negro (~ *negro*) settler in W. Indies, Mauritius, etc.; (adj.) of such descent, (of animals etc.) naturalized in W. Indies etc. [f. F *créole* f. Sp. *criollo* perh. f. **criadillo* dim. of *criado* bred, domestic, p.p. of *criar* CREATE]

crê'osôte, *n.* Colourless oily fluid distilled from wood-tar, a strong antiseptic; (Commerce.) carbolic acid. Hence **crês'ol** *n.*, caustic liquid obtained by distillation of coal tar. [f. Gk *kreas* meat + *sôzô* save]

crêpe (-âp), *n.* Crappy fabric other than black mourning crape; ~ *de Chine* (deshên), of silk kind; ~ *rubber*, very durable rubber used for boot soles etc. [F, f. L *crispa* curled, fem. adj.]

crêp'itâte, *v.i.* Make crackling sound; (of beetles) eject pungent fluid with sharp report. Hence ~*ANT* *a.*, ~*A'TION* *n.* [f. L *crepitare* frequent. of *crepare* creak, see -ATE³]

crêpon (krêp'ôn), *n.* Stuff like crape, but of firmer substance. [F (as CRÊPE, see -OON)]

crêpt. See CREEP.

crêpus'cûlar, *a.* Of twilight; (Zool.) appearing, active, in twilight; dim, not yet fully enlightened. [f. L *crepusculum* twilight + -AR¹]

crescên'dô (krêsh-), *adv., n., & a.* (mus.). (Passage of music to be played) with gradually increasing volume (abbr. *cres.*, *cresc.*); (fig.) progress towards a climax. [It., part. of *crescere* grow (as foll.)]

crês'cent, *n. & a.* 1. Increasing moon; figure of moon in first or last quarter; this as badge of Turkish Sultans; the Turkish power; the Mohammedan religion; any figure of ~ shape, || esp. row of houses. 2. adj. Increasing, ~-shaped. [f. L *crescere* grow, see -ENT]

crêss, *n.* Name of various plants usu. with pungent edible leaves, as *Garden C~*, *WATER~*. [OE *cresse*, f. root of OHG *chresan* creep]

crêss'et, *n.* Metal vessel for holding grease or oil for light, usu. mounted on pole; (mod.) fire-basket for lighting wharf etc. [OE (also *cratset*), f. *graisse* GREASE]

crêst, *n., & v.t. & i.* 1. Comb or tuft on animal's head; ~*fallen*, with drooping ~, dejected, abashed; plume, tuft, of

feathers; (apex of) helmet; head, top, esp. of mountain; surface line of neck in animals; mane. 2. (Anat.) ridge along surface of bone, as *frontal*, *occipital*, ~ *of skull*. 3. (Her.) device above shield & helmet on coat of arms, or separately, as on seal, notepaper, etc. 4. *v.t.* Furnish with ~, serve as ~ to, reach ~ of (hill, wave); (*v.i.*, of waves) form into a ~. [(vb f. *n.*) f. OF *crest* f. L *crista* tuft]

crêtâ'ceous (-shus), *a.* Of (the nature of) chalk. [f. L *cretaceus* (*creta* chalk, see -ACROUS)]

crêt'ic, *n.* Metrical foot (— — —). [f. Gk *Krêtikos* (*Krêlê* Crete, see -IC)]

crêt'i'fÿ, *v.t.* Impregnate with salts of lime. Hence ~*FICA'TION* *n.* [f. L *creta* chalk + -FY]

crêt'in, *n.* Deformed idiot of a kind found esp. in Alpine valleys. Hence ~*ISM* (2) *n.*, ~*IZE* *v.t.*, ~*OUS* *a.* [f. F *crétin* f. L *Christianus* CHRISTIAN in mod. Rom. sense '(barely) human creature']

crêt'onne (also -ôtôn'), *n.* Stout unglazed cotton cloth with pattern printed on one or both sides. [F]

crêvâsse, *n.* Deep fissure in ice of glacier. [F, readopted as different. f. foll.]

crêv'ice, *n.* Chink, fissure. [MF & OF *crevace* f. LL *crepatia* (*crepare* creak, crack)]

crew¹ (-ô), *n.* Whole body of men manning ship or boat; associated body, company, of persons; set, gang, mob. [f. OF *creue* increase fem. p.p. (as *n.*) of *croistre* grow f. L *crescere*]

crew². See CROW².

crew'el (-ô-), *n.* Thin worsted yarn for tapestry & embroidery; ~*work*, design in worsted on linen or cloth ground. [f]

crib¹, *n.* Barred receptacle for fodder; hovel, hut; small bed for child, with barred sides; wicker salmon-trap; framework lining shaft of mine; (also ~*work*) heavy crossed timbers used in foundations in loose soil etc.; ~*bin* for maize, salt, etc.; set of cards given to dealer at cribbage, taken from other players' hands; (colloq.) plagiarism; translation for (esp. illegitimate) use of students; **CRACK**² *a* ~; ~*bitting* (of horses), habit of seizing manger in teeth & at same time noisily drawing in breath. [com.-WG; Du. *krib*]

crib², *v.t.* (-bb-). Confine in small space; furnish (cowshed etc.) with cribs; pilfer; copy unfairly or without acknowledgment. [f. prec.]

cribb'age, *n.* Card game for two, three, or four persons. [f. **CRIB**¹ + -AGE]

crib'riform, *a.* (anat., bot.). Having small holes, like a sieve. [f. L *cribrum* sieve + -FORM]

crick, *n., & v.t.* Spasmodic affection of muscles of neck, back, etc., sudden stiffness; (*v.t.*) produce ~ in (neck etc.). [prob. imit.]

crick'et¹, n. (Also *housse*~) a jumping chirping insect. [f. OF *criquet* conn. w. *criquer* creak; imit.]

crick'et², n., & v.t. Open-air game played with ball, bats, & wickets, between two sides of 11 players each ([not ~ colloq., infringing the code of fair play between honourable opponents in any sphere]; (v.t.) play ~. Hence ~ER¹ n. [etym. dub.; OF has *criquet*, a game, (also) a stick to aim at]

cric'oid, a. & n. Ring-shaped (cartilage of larynx). [f. Gk *krikoeidēs* (*krikos* ring, -oid)]

cri'er, n. One who cries; officer who makes public announcements in court of justice or (town ~) in a town. [ME & OF *criere*, nom. of *crieur* (crier CRY, see -OR²)]

crik'ey, int. (sl.), expr. astonishment. [perh. substituted for L *Christe* O Christ]

crime, n., & v.t. 1. Act (usu. grave offence) punishable by law; evil act, sin; ~sheet, record of soldier's offences against regulations. Hence ~LESS (-ml-) a. 2. v.t. (Mil.) charge with or convict of military offence. [F, f. L *crimen*-*minis* judgement, offence (*cernere* cret- decide)]

crim'inal, a. & n. Of (the nature of) crime; ~ CONVERSATION, CONNEXION; (person) guilty of crime. Hence or cogn. **crim'inal'ITY** n., ~LY² adv. [f. F *criminel* f. L *criminalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

crim'ināte, v.t. Charge with crime; prove (oneself etc.) guilty of crime; censure. Hence or cogn. ~ATION n., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. L *criminari* (*crimen* CRIME, see -ATE³)]

crim'inē, -nŷ, int. (arch.), expr. astonishment. [perh. = It. *crimine* CRIME, or suggested by *jiminy* for *Gemini*]

criminol'ogy, n. Science of crime. [f. L *crimen*-*minis* CRIME + -O- + -LOGY]

crim'inous, a. Guilty of crime, only in phr. ~ clerk (clergyman). [f. OF *crimineux* f. L *criminosus* (as prec., see -OUS)]

crimp¹, n., & v.t. Agent who entraps men for seamen or soldiers (also fig.); (v.t.) entrap thus, impress, (seamen, soldiers). [f. *crimp*², v.t. Compress into plaits or folds, frill; make flutings in, corrugate; contract (flesh of freshly-caught fish) by gashing; mould, bend, into shape. [f. same root as CRAMP¹, cf. Du. *krimpen* contract (intr.)]

crim'son (-z), a. & n., & v.t. & i. Deep-red (colour); (v.t. & i.) turn ~. [(vb f. n.) f. Sp. *cremesin*, car-, (*carmesi* CRAMOISY, -INE³)]

cringe (-j), v.t., & n. Cower; bowservilely; behave obsequiously (to); (n.) fawning obsequence, cringing. [(n. f. vb) earlier *cränge* f. *cringan*, see CRANK¹]

cringle (kring'gl), n. (naut.). Eye of rope containing thimble for another rope to pass through. [cf. G *kringle* dim. of *kring* ring f. root of CRANK¹]

crin'ite, a. (bot., zool.). Hairry. [f. L *crinitus* (*crinis* hair, cf. -ATE²(2))]

crinkl'e (kring'kl), v.t. & i., & n. Twist, wrinkle. Hence ~Y² a. [(n. prob. f. vb) frequent. of OE *crincan*, see CRANK¹ & -LE(3)]

crink'um-crānk'um, n. & a. full of twists & turns (lit. & fig.). [playful f. CRANK¹]

crin'oid, a. & n. (zool.). Lily-shaped (echinoderm). Hence **crinoid'AL** a. [f. Gk *krinoeidēs* (*krinon* lily, see -OID)]

crinol'ette, n. Contrivance for distending back of woman's skirt. [dim. f. foll.]

crin'oline (also -ēn), n. Stiff fabric of horsehair etc. formerly used for skirts; hooped petticoat; netting round warship as defence against torpedoes. [F (L *crinis* hair + *linum* thread)]

crio- in comb. = Gk *krios* ram, as -*sphinx* (ram-headed), -*ceratite*, ram's-horn ammonite.

crip'ple, n., & v.t. & i. Lame person; staging for cleaning windows etc.; (v.t.) lame, (fig.) disable, impair; (v.t.) hobble, walk lamely, (along etc.). Hence ~DOM (-ld-), ~HOOD (-lh-), nn. [(vb f. n.) OE *crýpel* f. OTout. *krupilo-* (*kriupan* creep)]

cris. = CREESE.

cris'is, n. (*crises*, pr. -ēz). Turning-point, esp. of disease; moment of danger or suspense in politics, commerce, etc., as cabinet, financial, ~. [L, f. Gk *krisis* decision (*krinō* decide)]

crisp, a., n., & v.t. & i. Hard but fragile, brittle; bracing, as ~ air; brisk, decisive, as ~ manner, style, etc.; (of hair etc.) curly; ||(n. pl.) thin fried and dried slices of potato (marketed in packets); (v.t. & i.) curl in short stiff folds, make or become ~. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [(vb f. adj.) f. L *crispus* curled]

cris'pate, a. Crisped, (Bot., Zool.) with wavy margin. [f. L *crispare*, -ATE²]

crispā'tion, n. Curling; undulation; contraction (esp. = GOOSE-skin). [as prec., -ATION]

crisp'y, a. Curly; brittle; brisk. [-Y¹]

criss-cross (-aws), n., a., adv., & v.t. & t. 1. Crossing lines, currents, etc. (for ~ row see CHRIST-CROSS-ROW). 2. adj. In cross lines (~ pattern, traffic), (of persons or temper) peevish. 3. adv. Crosswise, at cross purposes (*everything went* ~). 4. vb. Move crosswise, work with ~ pattern. [partly f. *Christ's* Cross, partly redupl. of cross]

cris'tate, a. (nat. hist.). Having a crest. [f. L *cristatus* (as CREST, see -ATE²)]

crit'eron, n. (pl. -ia). Principle, standard, a thing is judged by. [f. Gk *kritērion* as foll.]

crit'ic, n. One who pronounces judgement; censorer; judge of literary or artistic works; one skilled in textual criticism. Hence ~ASTER n. [f. L f. Gk *kritikos* (*kritō* judge f. *krinō*, see -IC)]

crit'ical, a. Censorious, fault-finding; skilful, engaged, in criticism; belonging to criticism; involving risk or suspense, as ~ *condition*, *operation*; (Math., Physics) marking transition from one state etc. to another, as ~ *angle*, *temperature*. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

crit'icism, n. Work of a critic: critical essay or remark; *textual* ~ (dealing with text of an author; *the higher* ~ (dealing with origin, character, etc., of texts, esp. of Biblical writings). [-ISM]

crit'iciz'e, v.t. Discuss critically (often abs.); censure. Hence ~ABLE a. [-IZE]

crit'ico- in comb. = critically, critical & —, as ~-*historical*. [CRITIC + -o-]

critique' (-ék), n. Critical essay or notice; art of criticism. [F (as CRITIC)]

croak, n., & v.t. & t. Deep hoarse sound of frog or raven; (v.t.) utter ~, forebode evil, (sl.) die; (v.t.) utter dismally, * (sl.) kill. Hence ~Y² a. [prob. imit.]

croak'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., prophet of evil. [-ER¹]

Cró'at, n. Member of the race from which Croatia is named. [Slav.]

cró'ceate (-síl), a. Saffron, saffron-coloured. [f. L *croceus* (CROCUS), see -ATR³]

cró'chet (-shí), n., & v.t. (-*cheted* pr. -shid). Knitting (material or work) done with hooked needle; (v.t.) make (shawl etc. or abs.) in. [(vb f. n.) F, dim. of *croche*, *croc*, hook]

cró'cidolite, n. A fibrous silicate of iron & sodium, blue asbestos; yellow mineral produced from this, used for ornament. [f. Gk *krókis* -idos nap of cloth + -LITE]

cróck', n. Earthen pot or jar; || (dial.) metal pot; broken piece of earthenware used for covering hole in flowerpot. [OE *croc*, *crocca*, cf. Icel. *krukka*]

cróck', n., & v.t. & t. (Sl.) inefficient or broken-down or worn-out person; broken-down horse; || (Sc.) old ewe; (v.t., sl.) ~ up, break down; (v.t.) disable (usu. in p.p.). [prob. cogn. w. CRACK v.; cf. Norw. *krake* sickly beast, MDu. *kraecke* broken-down horse or house]

cróck'ery, n. Earthenware vessels. [f. obs. *crocker* potter (CROCK³), see -RAY]

cróck'et, n. Small ornament (usu. bud or curled leaf) on inclined sides of pinnacles etc. [f. AF *croket* = F CROCHET]

cróc'odile, n. Large amphibious reptile (esp. the Nile species); ~ *tears* (hypocritical, from belief that the crocodile wept while devouring, or to allure, its victim); || (colloq.) girl's school walking two & two. Hence **cróc'odil'ian** (-yan) a. [f. L f. Gk *krókodeilos*]

cróc'us, n. Genus of dwarf bulbous plants with brilliant (usu. yellow or purple) flowers; ~ *sativus*, species of this yielding saffron; a peroxide of iron used for polishing. [L, f. Gk *krókos* crocus, saffron]

Croes'us (krés-), n. Wealthy person. [~, king of Lydia]

|| **croft** (-aw-, -ó-), n. Enclosed piece of (usu. arable) land; small holding of OROTER. [etym. dub., cf. Du. *kroft* high & dry land]

|| **crof'ter** (-aw-, -ó-), n. One who rents a small holding, esp. joint tenant of Scotch divided farm. [-ER¹]

Cró-Magnon (-mán'yón), a. Of a prehistoric tall long-headed European race, remains of which were found in ~, a cave in Dordogne, France.

cròm'lèch (-k), n. (In Wales and formerly in England) megalithic tomb; (in France) circle of upright prehistoric stones. [W (*crom* bent, *llech* flat stone)]

cromór'ne, **crémôn'a**, n. An organ reed-stop. [F, f. G *krummhorn* crooked horn]

cróne, n. Withered old woman; old ewe. [ult. f. ONF *caroine*, see CARRION]

crón'y, n. Intimate friend. [?]

cróok, n. & a., & v.t. & i. Shepherd's, bishop's, hooked staff; anything hooked; hook; bend, curve; act of bonding; (sl.) rogue, swindler; *by* HOOK or *by* ~; (sl.) on the ~, dishonestly; ~-*back(ed)*, hunch-back(ed); (adj.) = CROOKED; (v.t. & i.) bend, curve. [(vb f. n.) ME *crok* prob. f. ON *krókr*]

cróok'ed, a. Not straight, bent, twisted; deformed; bent with age; (fig.) not straightforward, dishonest; (of stick, pr. -óokt) having a cross handle, crutched. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ED¹]

Cróok'es (-ks), n. Name of Sir William ~ (d. 1919), English scientist, used attrib. (or in gen.) to designate apparatus invented by him etc. So: ~ *rays*, cathode rays; ~'s *tube*, glass vacuum tube for illustrating high rarefaction phenomena; ~'s *vacuum* (extremely high one).

cróon, v.t. & i., & n. (Hum, sing, mutter, in) low undertone. Hence ~ER¹ n., soft singer of highly sentimental songs. [chiefly Sc. till 19th c.; cf. Du. *kreunen* groan]

cróp', n. Pouch-like enlargement of gullet in birds, where food is prepared for digestion; stock, handle, of whip; (also *hunting* ~) short whipstock with loop instead of lash; produce of cultivated plants, esp. cereals; *in*, *under*, *out of*, ~ (cultivation); season's total yield (of cereal etc.); entire hide of animal tanned; cropping of hair; style of wearing hair cut short; piece cut off end; name of some cuts of meat; NECK & ~; ~-*eared*, with ears (also, hair) cut short; ~-*over*, annual junketings at end of the W.-Indian sugar-cane harvest. [OE, = bird's crop, rounded top of plant, cf. LG & Du. *krop*, OHG *chropf*, bird's ~; other senses developed in E]

cróp', v.t. & i. (-pp). Out off; (of animals) bite off (tops of plants); gather, reap; cut short (ears, tail, hair, nap of cloth, edges of book); sow, plant, (land with barley etc.); (v.t.) bear a crop; turn up un-

expectedly; ~ *out, forth*, appear; (Geol.) ~ *up, out*, come to surface. [f. prec.]

cropp'er, n. Person, thing, that crops; pigeon with large crop, pouter; *good, heavy, light*, ~, plant yielding good etc. crop; (sl.) heavy fall, as *came a ~*. [CROP^{1,2} + -ER¹]

cropp'ŷ, n. Person with short cropped hair, esp. (Hist.) Irish rebel, sympathizer with French revolution, in 1798. [CROP¹ + -Y²]

croq'uet¹ (-kl), n. Game, played on lawn, in which wooden balls are driven with mallets through hoops; act of croquetting a ball. [perh. North. F. dial. form of CROQUET]

croq'uet² (-kl), v.t. (~ing, ~ed, pr. -kling, -kld). (In game of croquet) drive away (opponent's ball or abs.) by placing the two together & striking one's own (cf. ROQUET). [f. prec.]

croquette¹ (-kët), n. Seasoned & fried ball of rice, potato, meat, etc. [F (croquer crunch)]

crôre, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Ten millions, one hundred lakhs (usu. of rupees). [f. Hind. *kror*]

cro'sier, -zier, (-zhyer), n. Bishop's, abbot's, pastoral staff; (improp.) archbishop's cross. [orig. = bearer of a crook, f. OF *crocier* f. med. L *crociarius* (*crocia* crook) confused w. F *croisier* f. L ⁺*cruciarus* cross-bearer (cruz cross); mod. *crozier* = ~'s staff (16th c.)]

cross¹ (-aw-, -ô-), n. 1. Stake (usu. with transverse bar) used by the ancients for crucifixion, esp. that on which Christ was crucified; model of this as religious emblem; sign of ~ made with right hand as religious act; staff surmounted with ~ & borne before archbishop or in processions, ~-bearer, person who carries this; monument in form of ~, esp. (also *market* ~) one in centre of town; Christian religion. 2. Trial, affliction; annoyance. 3. ~ shaped thing; (Southern) C~, a constellation; Greek ~ (+); Latin ~ (+); *St Andrew's* ~ (X); *Tau* ~, ~ of *St Anthony*, (T); *Maltese* ~ (✱); *flery* ~, Scots signal (orig. two bloody sticks) sent through district to rouse inhabitants. 4. Decoration in orders of knighthood (*Grand C.*, highest degree of this); decoration for personal valour, as *Victoria*, *George*, *Distinguished Service*, *Military*, *Distinguished Flying*, C~. 5. Intermixture of breeds; animal resulting from this; mixture, compromise, *between* two things; (sl.) fraud, swindle; on the ~, diagonally. Hence ~LET n., ~WISE adv. [ult. f. L *cruz* crucis; late OE has *cruc*, ME *cruche*, *crouche*, & (thr. OF) *crois*]

cross² (-aw-, -ô-), v.t. & i. 1. Place crosswise, as ~ *swords* (in fighting, also fig.); make sign of cross on or over (esp. oneself, as sign of awe, to invoke divine protection, etc.); ~ *fortune-teller's hand with*, give her (coin); ~ *down* line across, as ~ *out, off, cancel*, ~ ~ *cheque* (with two lines usu.

filled up with & Co. or name of bank through whom alone it may be paid); write across (what is already written, a letter); go across (road, river, sea, or abs.); bestride (saddle, horse); carry, move, across; meet and pass (*each other* or abs.); *two persons' letters* ~ (each being dispatched before receipt of the other); ~ one's *mind*, occur to one; ~ the *path of*, meet with, thwart; thwart (person, will, plans); (cause to) inter-breed; cross-fertilize (plants). [f. prec.]

cross³ (-aw-, -ô-), a. Passing from side to side, transverse, (ll~ *bench*, in the House of Lords, for independent members who do not vote with the Government or the official Opposition; so ~-bench, adj., impartial, as the ~-bench mind; ~ voting, when in Parliamentary divisions etc. some of either or each side vote against their own party, as *there was no ~ voting*); intersecting; contrary, opposed, (to a purpose etc., or abs.); (colloq.) peevish, out of humour, as ~ as *two sticks*, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.; ~-patch, ill-natured person; ~ reference (from one part of book to another for further information); (Bookkeeping) ~ entry (transferring amount to different account or neutralizing previous entry); ~bred, hybrid; (sl.) dishonest, dishonestly got. [CROSS¹]

cross- in comb. 1. f. CROSS n., objectively, as ~-bearer, or attrib. = having a transverse part, as CROSS-BOW, marked with a ~, as ~-BUN. 2. f. CROSS a. = crossing, transverse, as ~-bar, -beam, -keys, -piece, -section, CROSS-BONES. 3. Adv., in vbs as ~-breed, -fertilize (animals, plants, from individuals of different species), CROSS-EXAMINE, CROSS-QUESTION; in vbl nouns as ~-fire, firing in two crossing directions. 4. Prep. = across, as ~-country, adj., across fields, not following roads.

cross'belt, n. Belt for cartridges etc. from shoulder to opposite hip. [CROSS-(2)]

cross'bill, n. Bird the mandibles of whose bill cross when bill is closed. [CROSS-(2)]

cross'bones, n. pl. Figure of two thigh-bones laid across each other, usu. under skull as emblem of death. [CROSS-(2)]

cross'bow (-bô), n. Bow fixed across wooden stock, with groove for the missile (stone, arrow, etc.) and mechanism for holding and releasing string. [CROSS-(1)]

cross'butt'ock, n., & v.t. Throw over the hip, in wrestling. [CROSS-(4)]

cross-counter, n. (boxing). Blow at head delivered across opponent's lead-off with the other hand. [CROSS-(4)]

cross'cut, n. & a. Diagonal cut, path, etc.; figure in skating; (adj.) adapted for cutting across the grain (chiefly in ~ saw). [CROSS-(2)]

crôsse, n. Long racquet-like implement used in LACROSSE. [F, f. OF *croce*, *croc*, book]

cross-exam'ine, v.t. Examine (esp. witness in legal action) minutely, with a view to checking previous examination or eliciting suppressed facts. Hence **cross-examina'tion** n. [CROSS-(3)]

cross-garnet, n. T-shaped hinge, fixed to door etc. by the long shank. [CROSS-(1) + *garnet* kind of tackle or purchase]

cross-grain, n. Grain running across the regular grain. [CROSS-(2)]

cross-grained (-nd), a. (Of wood) with grain running irregularly or in crossing directions; (fig.) perverse, intractable. [-ED¹]

cross-hatch, v.t. Engrave with intersecting series of parallel lines. [CROSS-(3)]
cross head(ing), n. (In newspaper etc.) indication of the contents of the following passage inserted here & there across the column for the reader's guidance in an article or report. [CROSS-(2)]

cross'ing (-aw-, -ō-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: intersection of two roads, railways, etc., as || *level* ~ (of road and railway, or two railways, on same level); place where street is crossed; ~ *sweeper*, one who sweeps this. [-ING¹]

cross-legged (-gd), a. (Of person squatting) with legs crossed; (of person sitting on chair) with one leg laid across the other. [CROSS-(3)]

cross-light, n. Light that crosses another; (fig.) illustration of subject from another point of view. [CROSS-(2)]

cross purposes, n. pl. Contrary or conflicting purposes; name of a game; *be at* ~, misunderstand one another, (also) have conflicting plans with same object. [CROSS-(2)]

cross question, n. Question asked in CROSS-QUESTIONING; ~s & *crooked answers*, game in which each question gets answer written for another.

cross-ques'tion, v.t. Question in order to elicit details or test accuracy. [CROSS-(3)]

cross-road, n. Road that crosses another or joins two main roads; (also *cross roads*) intersection of two roads; *at the* ~s (fig.), at a critical turning-point (in person's life etc.). [CROSS-(2)]

cross-ruff, n., & v.i. (Whist, Bridge). Alternate trumping by partners (see *RUFF*⁴); (vb) play a ~. [CROSS-(3)]

cross-stitch, n. Stitch formed of two crossing each other; kind of needlework characterized by these. [CROSS-(2)]

cross-trees, n. pl. Two horizontal cross-timbers bolted to head of lower mast to support mast above. [CROSS-(2)]

cross-word, n. Puzzle in which words crossing vertically & horizontally according to a chequered pattern have to be filled in from clues. [CROSS¹]

crōtch, n. Bifurcation, fork (esp. of the human body). [prob. var. of *CRUTCH* or *CRUCK*; cf. *F croche*]

crōtch'ēt, n. || (Mus.) black-headed note

with stem, half of minim; whimsical fancy, whence ~ *ess*, ~ *iness*, nn., ~ *ry* a.; hook. [f. *F crochet* dim. of *croc* hook]

crōt'on, n. Genus of plants, from one species of which ~ *oil*, a drastic purgative, is obtained. [f. *Gk krōtōn* tick, croton]

crouch, v.i., & n. Stoop, bend, esp. timidly or servilely; (n.) ~ *ing*. [?]

croup¹, -pe, (-ōb-), n. Rump, hind-quarters, (esp. of horse). [*F* (-pe), f. *Teut.* cf. *CROP*¹]

croup² (-ōb-), n. Inflammatory disease in larynx & trachea of children, marked by sharp cough. [f. obs. vb *croup* croak (imit.)]

croup'ier (-ōb-), n. Raker in of money at gaming table; assistant chairman at public dinner. [*F*, orig. = rider on the *CROUP*¹]

croûton (krōt'awh), n. Small piece of fried bread served with soups. [*F*]

crow¹ (-ō), n. Genus of birds, esp. *Carrión C*~, large black bird; *white* ~, a rarity; *have a* ~ *to pluck* (fault to find) *with him*; *as the* ~ *flies*, *in a* ~ *line*, straight; **eat* ~, submit to humiliation; ~ (-bar), bar of iron (usu. with beak-like end) used as lever; ~ *berry*, fruit of a small heath-like shrub; ~ *bill*, forceps for extracting bullets etc.; ~ *foot*, name of various plants, esp. species of buttercup, (Naut.) arrangement of small ropes for suspending awning, (Mil., also ~ *s-foot*) caltrop; ~ *s-footed*, marked with ~ *s-foot*; ~ *quill*, ~ *s quill* or steel pen for fine writing; ~ *s-foot*, wrinkle at outer corner of eye; ~ *s-nest*, barrel fixed at mast-head of whaler etc. as shelter for look-out man; ~ *toe*, || bluebell (& other flowers, as buttercup). [*OE crāwe* f. *crāwan* *crow*¹]

crow² (-ō), n. Crowing of cock; joyful cry of infant. [f. foll.]

crow³ (-ō), v.i. (past *crew* pr. krōb, or ~ *ed* pr. krōd, p.p. ~ *ed*). Utter loud cry of cock; (of child) utter joyful cry; exult loudly; ~ *over*, triumph over. [*OE crāwan*, cf. *Du. kraatjen*, *G krāhen*; imit.]

crowd¹, n. Throng, dense multitude, (*would pass in a* ~, is not conspicuously defective); *the* ~, the masses; (colloq.) company, set, lot; large number (of things); (Naut.) ~ *of sail*, large number of sails hoisted. [f. foll.]

crowd², v.i. & t. Collect (t. & i.) in a crowd; fill, occupy, cram, (space etc. *with*); fill (place etc.) as a crowd does; force one's way *into*, *through*, etc. (confined space etc. or abs.); force (thing, person) *into* etc.; ~ *out*, exclude by ~ *ing*; (Naut., of ship or crew) hasten on; ~ *sail*, hoist unusual number of sails. [*OE crūdan* press, drive, cf. *MDu. cruden*]

crown¹, n. 1. Wreath of flowers etc. worn on head, esp. as emblem of victory, (also fig. as *martyr's* ~, *no cross no* ~). 2. Monarch's head-covering of gold etc. & jewels; (fig.) king or queen, regal power,

supreme governing power in a monarchy. 3. Any ~-shaped ornament. 4. (British coin worth) five shillings; foreign coin, esp. = KRONZ. 5. Top part, esp. of skull; whole head; upper part of cut gem above girdle; highest or central part of arch or arched structure, as ~ of the *causeway*; top of hat; part of tooth projecting from gum. 6. Size of paper, 15" x 20". 7. ~ & anchor, popular gambling game played with dice marked with ~s, anchors, etc., and a corresponding board; ~-glass, made in circular sheets without lead or iron and used chiefly for windows; || ~-land (belonging to the C~); C~ *Colony* (controlled by the C~); ~ *Derby*, kind of china made at Derby & often marked with ~ surmounting D; || ~ *law*, criminal law; || ~ *lawyer* (in service of the C~); C~ *office* (transacting common law business of Chancery); C~ *prince*, heir-apparent or designate to a sovereign throne (esp. in Germany and N. Europe); C~ *princess*, his wife; ~-wheel, CONTRATE wheel. [f. ONF *corune* f. L *corona* wreath, crown]

crown², v.t. 1. Place crown on (person, head); invest (person) with regal crown or dignity (~ *him*, ~ *him king*; ~ed *heads*, *kings* & *queens*); (fig.) reward; occupy the head of, form chief ornament to, (lit. & fig.); put finishing touch to, as to ~ *all*; bring (efforts) to happy issue. 2. (Draughts) make (piece) a king. 3. (Dent.) ~ a *tooth*, protect its remains with a gold etc. cap cemented on. [f. OF *coroner* f. L *coronare* (as prec.)]

crowned (-nd), a. In vbl senses; (of hat) *high*, *low*, ~, with *high*, *low*, *crown*. [-ED^{1,2}]

|| **crown'er**, n. (obs. or dial.). = CORONER. **cru'cial** (-ōshl), a. Decisive, critical, (case, point, test, etc.); (Anat.) cross-shaped, as ~ *incision*. [f. f. L *crux crucis* CROSS + -AL]

cru'cian, -sian, (-ōshn), n. Yellow fish allied to carp. [f. LG *karusse* (etym. dub.), -AN]

cru'ciāte (-ōsh-), a. (zool., bot.). CROSS-shaped. [f. med. L *cruciatus* (as CRUCIAL, -ATE²)]

cru'cible (-ō-), n. Melting-pot (usu. of earthenware); (fig.) severe trial. [f. med. L *crucibulum*, etym. dub.]

crucif'erous (-ō-), a. Wearing, adorned with, a cross; (Bot.) of the family *Cruciferae*, having flowers with four equal petals arranged crosswise. [f. LL *crucifer* (as CRUCIAL, see -FEROUS)]

cru'cifix (-ō-), n. Image of Christ on the cross; (improp.) cross. [f. OF *crucifix* f. L *cruci fixus* one fixed to the CROSS (see FIX)]

crucifi'xion (-ō-; -kshn), n. Crucifying; the C~ (of Christ); picture of this. [f. mod. L *crucifixio* (L *cruci figere*, as prec., see -IOX)]

cru'cliform (-ō-), a. Cross-shaped. [f. L *crux crucis* cross, see -FORM]

cru'cify (-ō-), v.t. Put to death by fastening to a cross; (fig.) mortify (passions, sins, flesh); (Mil.) tie up (soldier) with arms out in field punishment. [f. OF *crucifier* f. LL ⁺*crucifigere* (see -FY) = *cruci figere*, see CRUCIFIX]

crude (-ō-), a. In the natural or raw state; (of food etc.) not digested; unripe; (of diseases etc.) not matured; (fig.) undigested, unpolished, lacking finish; rude, blunt, (action, statement, manners); (Gram., of form of word) uninflected. Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-dl-) adv., ~NESS (-dn-), **crud'ity**, nn., (-ō-). [f. L *crudus* saw]

cru'el (-ō-), a. Indifferent to, delighting in, another's pain; (of actions) showing such indifference or pleasure; painful, distressing. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~TY n., (-ō-). [F, f. L *crudelis* (*crudus* CRUDE)]

cru'et (-ō-), n. Small glass bottle with stopper for vinegar, oil, etc., for table; small vessel for wine or water in celebration of Eucharist; ~-stand (for ~s & castors). [f. OF ⁺*cructe* dim. of *crue* f. OLG *crāca* pot]

cruise (-ōz), v.i., & n. 1. Sail to & fro on look-out for ships, for protection of commerce in time of war, for plunder, or for pleasure, making for no particular port (also fig.); (of aircraft) fly at *cruising speed* (economic travelling speed, less than top speed). 2. n. Cruising voyage. [(n. f. vb) f. Du. *kruisen* or Sp., Port., *cruzar*, F *croiser*, f. L *cruciare* cross (*crux*)]

cruis'er (-ōz-), n. Warship designed for speed; *armoured* ~ (with lighter armour than battleship); *BATTLE*¹, *BELT*²ed, ~; (*un*)*protected* ~, one with(out) protective deck; ~ *weight* (Boxing), 'light-heavy' weight, not over 12st. 6lb. [-ER¹]

|| **crui'e** (-ōv), n. (Sc.). Wicker salmon-trap. [?]

crūmb (-m), n., & v.t. Small fragment, esp. of bread; (fig.) small particle, atom, (of comfort etc.); soft inner part of bread; ~-cloth (laid over carpet, esp. under table); (v.t.) cover, thicken, with ~s, break into ~s. Hence ~Y² (-ml) a. [(vb f. n.) OE *cruma*, cf. Du. *krum*]

crūm'ble, v.t. & i. Break, fall, into crumbs or fragments (lit. & fig.). [earlier *crimble* f. OE *cruma* CRUMB]

crūm'bl'y, a. Apt to crumble (intr.). [CRUMB + -LY¹; now treated as f. prec. + -Y²]

|| **crūmm'y**, a. (sl.). (Of women) plump, comely; rich. [CRUMB + -Y²]

crūmp, v.t., & n. (colloq.). Hit (esp. cricket-ball) hard; (n.) hard hit, heavy fall, (army sl.) bursting shell; sound of bursting bomb or shell. [imit.]

crūm'pēt, n. Soft cake of flour, egg, milk, etc., baked on iron plate; (sl.) head (BARNY on the ~). [?]

crūm'ple, v.t. & i. Crush together or up into creased state; ruffle, wrinkle; become creased; (fig.) collapse, give way (usu. with up). [f. obs. *crump* v. & a. (make, become) curved + -LE(3)]

crūnch, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Crush with teeth, esp. noisily; grind under foot (gravel etc.); make one's way (up, through, etc.) thus. 2. n. ~ing (noise). [replaces *cr(u)unch*, imit.]

crūpp'er, n. Strap buckled to back of saddle & looped under horse's tail; hind-quarters of horse. [f. OF *cropiere* (as CROUP¹)]

crur'al (-oor-), a. (anat.). Of the leg. [f. L *cruralis* (*crus cruris* leg, see -al)]

crusade' (-ōō-), n., & v.i. (Hist.) Christian expedition to recover Holy Land from Mohammedans; war instigated by Church for alleged religious ends; (fig.) aggressive movement against public evil etc., as *Temperance* ~; (v.i.) engage in ~. Hence **crusad'er** n. [(v.b. f. n.) f. 16th-c. F *croisade* & Sp. *crusada* f. med. L *cruciata* p.p. of *cruciare* mark with cross¹]

crusad'ō (-ōō-), n. Portuguese coin. [f. Port. *crusado* marked with cross]

cruse (-ōōs, -ōōz), n. (arch.). Pot, jar, of earthenware (*widow's* ~, inexhaustible supply, see 1 *Kings* xvii. 12 etc.). [cf. Du. *kroes*, G. *krause*, etym. dub.]

crūsh, v.t. & i. Compress with violence, so as to break, bruise, etc.; crumple (dress etc.) by rough handling; (fig.) subdue, overwhelm, as a ~ing defeat, reply; ~ out, extinguish, stamp out; ~ a cup of wine, drink it; (v.i.) squeeze one's way (into etc.). [prob. f. OF *croissir* crash, prob. of Teut. orig.]

crūsh, n. Act of crushing; crowded mass (esp. of persons); (colloq.) crowded social gathering; (Austral.) fenced passage with funnel-shaped end along which cattle are driven in single file for branding; similar but shorter closed passage for dealing with single animal; ~room in theatre etc. (for promenade during intervals); ~ hat, collapsible opera hat with spring; have a ~ on (sl.), be in love with. [f. prec.]

crūst, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Hard outer part of bread; similar casing of anything, e.g. harder layer over soft snow (~hunt n. & v.t. & i., of hunting elks etc. over a ~ that supports hunters but not quarry); hard dry scrap of bread; pastry covering pie; hard dry formation, scab, on skin; (Geol.) outer portion of earth; coating, deposit, on surface of anything: ~ of wine, deposit on sides of bottle; hard external covering of animal or plant; (fig.) anything superficial. 2. v.t. Cover with, form into, ~; (v.i.) become covered with ~. [(v.b. f. n.) f. L *crusta*, partly thr. OF *croute*]

Crustā'cea (-āhā), n. pl. Large class of animals, mostly aquatic, with hard shell, as crabs, lobsters, shrimps. Hence

crūstā'CEAN (-āshā) a. & n.; **crūstā'cēōs/ōōy** n. [naut. pl. of mod. L *crustaceus* (accus -ACROB)]

crūstā'ceous (-āshūs), a. Crust-like; (of animals) having a hard covering, esp. (Zool.) belonging to the *Crustacea*. [as prec.]

crūs'tēd, a. Having a crust; (of wine) having deposited a crust; (fig.) antiquated, venerable, as ~ prejudice, theory. [-ED¹]

crūs'tīy, a. Crust-like, hard; irritable; curt. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-Y¹]

crūtch, n. Staff (usu. with crosspiece at top) for lame person (usu. pair of ~es); support, prop. (lit. & fig.); forked rest for leg in a side-saddle; fork of the human body (cf. CROTCH); (Naut.) various forked contrivances; crosspiece, whence ~ED¹ (-cht) a. [com.-Teut.: OE *crēc*, Du. *krak*, G. *krücke*, f. OTeut. *kruk*-bend]

Crūtch'ed Fri'ars, n. pl. Minor order of friars wearing a cross; site of their convent in London. [f. ME *crouch* CROSS¹ + -ED¹]

crūx, n. Difficult matter, puzzle; ~ ānsāl'a, ANKH (lit. = handled cross). [L. = cross]

crŷ, n. Loud inarticulate utterance of grief, pain, fear, joy, etc.; loud excited utterance of words; appeal, entreaty; proclamation of wares to be sold in streets; rumour; voice of the public; watchword, as war~, battle~; fit of weeping; yelping of hounds (also fig.), as full ~ (pursuit); within~, within calling distance (of); a far~, a long way; ~baby, one who cries childishly; follow in the ~, be in the following crowd of nobodies; much ~ & little wool, fuss to no purpose, as when pigs are shorn. [f. F *cri*, as foll.]

crŷ, v.t. & i. (*cried*). Utter loudly, exclaim, (with sentence as object, or that); make loud utterance, as ~ out, ~ to (person etc.); announce for sale, as ~ muffins; ~ stinking fish, condemn one's own wares; weep (*bitter tears*, one's heart out, oneself to sleep, or abs.); ~ over spilt milk, waste regrets; (of animals, esp. birds) make loud call; (of hounds) yelp; ask for (esp. ~ for the moon); ~ down, disparage; ~ off, withdraw from bargain; ~ up, praise, extol; ~ CHAVEN; ~ halves, claim share (in); ~ QUARTER, QUITS; ~ shame upon, protest against (act, person). [f. F *crier* f. L *quiritare* cry aloud, orig. ask aid of the citizens (*Quirites*)]

crŷ'ing, a. In vbl senses; esp. (of evils) calling for notice, flagrant. [-ING¹]

crŷ'ogen, n. (chem.). Freezing-mixture; thing mixed with ice to make this. [f. Gk *kruos* frost + -GEN(1)]

crŷ'olite, n. Lustrous mineral of considerable industrial value found abundantly in Greenland, consisting mainly of sodium-aluminium fluorides. [f. Gk *kruos* frost + -LITE]

crypt, n. Underground cell, vault, esp. one beneath church, used as burial-place. [f. L f. Gk *kruptē* (*kruptō* hide)]

crýptæsthés'ia, n. Supernormal knowledge, whether telepathic or clairvoyant. [CRYPTO- + Gk *aisthēsis* perception + -IA¹]

crýp'tic, a. Secret, mystical. [f. L f. Gk *kryptikos* (as CRYPT, see -IC)]

crýp't(o)- in comb. = Gk *kryptos* hidden, secret, as -*branchiate*, with concealed gills, -*Communist*, secret sympathizer with Communism, -*logy*, enigmatical language.

crýp'togám, n. Plant having no stamens or pistils, & therefore no proper flowers. Hence **crýptogám'ic**, **crýptóg'amous**, aa, **crýptóg'amist**(3), **crýptóg'am'y**¹, nn. [f. F *cryptogame* (prec. + Gk -*gamos* wedded), after Linnaean class-name *Cryptogamia*]

crýp'tográμ, -*graph* (-ahf), nn. Thing written in cipher. So **crýptóg'rapher**, **crýptóg'raphy**, nn., **crýptóGRAPH'ic** a. [CRYPTO- + GRAM, -GRAPH]

crýptomér'ia, n. Evergreen tree of the cypress type; Japanese Cedar. [CRYPTO- + Gk *meros* part (because the seeds are enclosed by scales)]

crýs'tal, n. & a. 1. A clear transparent ice-like mineral; *rock*~, a form of pure quartz; piece of this; ~ *set*, simple form of receiving apparatus in broadcasting using a ~ rectifier; (poet.) any clear transparent thing, esp. water; ~ *gazing*, concentration of one's gaze on ball of rock~, pool of ink, etc., for the purpose of inducing a hallucinatory picture of future or distant events (~, colloq., view of the future thus obtained, prophetic utterance); (also ~ *glass*) glass of very transparent quality; vessel etc. of this; *O~ Palace*, building of glass & iron built in Hyde Park for the 1851 Exhibition & re-erected at Sydenham & destroyed by fire in 1936; (Chem., Min.) aggregation of molecules with definite internal structure & external form of solid enclosed by symmetrically arranged plane faces. 2. adj. Made of, like, clear as, ~. [f. OF *crystal* f. L *crystallum* f. Gk *krustallōs* ice, crystal, f. *krustainō* freeze (*krusos* frost)]

crýs'talline, a. Made of, clear as, like, crystal; ~ *heaven* (in Ptolemaic system, between primum mobile & firmament, assumed to explain precession of equinox etc.); ~ *lens* of eye, transparent body in membranous capsule behind iris. [f. L f. Gk *krustallinos* (as prec., see -INE²)]

crýs'talliz'e, v.t. & i. Form into crystals or (fig.) definite or permanent shape; ~ *ed fruit* (preserved by impregnation with sugar, and coated with sugar crystals). Hence ~ *ABLE* a., ~ *'ATION* n. [-IZE]

crýstallo- in comb. = Gk *krustallos* crystal, as -*pen'ic*, -*geny*, forming, formation of, -*crystals*, -*grapher*, -*graph'ic*, -*graphy*, student of, pertaining to, science of, crystal structure.

crýs'talloid, a. & n. Crystal-like; (body) of crystalline structure (cf. COLLOID). [-OID]

ctén'oid (t-), a. & n. (Fish with scales or teeth) like a comb. [f. Gk *ktenooidēs* (*kteis ktenos* comb, see -OID)]

cúb, n., & v.t. & i. (-bb-). 1. Young of fox, as ~ *hunting*; young of bear or other v. beast; unpollished youth (usu. *untu* ~); = WOLF~ (junior boy scout). 2. (vb). Bring forth (~s, or abs.). Hence ~ *b'ish*¹ a., ~ *HOOD* n. [?]

cúb'age, n. (Finding of) cubic content. [CUBE + -AGE]

cúb'ature, n. = prec. [f. mod. L *cubare* -at- (LL *cubus* CUBE), see -URE]

cúb'b'ing, n. CUB-hunting. [CUB + -ING¹]

cúb'b'y, n. Snug place (usu. ~ *hole*). [f. obs. or dial. *cub*, stall, pen; cf. LG *kúbje* linhay]

cúbe, n., & v.t. 1. Solid contained by squares; block of anything so or similarly shaped; product of a number multiplied by its square (~ of 2, alg. symbol 2², = 4, ~ *root* of 8, alg. symbol ³√8, = 2). 2. v.t. Find ~ of (number); find cubic content of (solid); pave with ~s. [(vb f. n.) F, f. LL f. Gk *kubos* cube, die]

cúb'eb, n. Pungent berry of a Javan shrub, used in medicine & cookery. [f. F *cubèbe* f. Arab. *kababah*]

cúb'ic, a. Cube-shaped; of three dimensions; ~ *foot*, *inch*, volume of a cube whose edge is one foot, inch; ~ *content* of solid, its volume expressed in ~ feet etc.; involving the cubes of numbers, as ~ *equation*. Hence ~ *AL* a., ~ *ALLY*¹ adv. [f. F *cubique* f. L f. Gk *kubikos* (as CUBE, see -IC)]

cúb'icle, n. Small separate sleeping compartment in schools etc. [f. L *cubiculum* (*cubare* lie down)]

cúb'iform, a. Cube-shaped. [-I-, -FORM]

cúb'ism, n. A recent style in art in which objects are so presented as to give the effect of an assemblage of geometrical figures. So **cúb'ist** n. [CUBE, -ISM]

cúb'it, n. Ancient measure of length, 18 to 22 in. [f. L *cubitus* elbow, length of fore-arm]

cúb'ital, a. Of the forearm or corresponding part in animals. [f. L *cubitalis* (prec., -AL)]

cúb'oid, a. & n. Cube-shaped, like a cube, as ~ *bone* (of the foot); (n.) rectangular parallelepiped. Hence **cúboid'AL** a. [f. Gk *kubooidēs* (as CUBE, see -OID)]

cúck'ing-stool, n. (hist.). Chair in which disorderly women etc. were ducked as punishment. [prob. f. obs. *cuck* f. ON *kúka* void excrement, *stool*]

cúck'old, n., & v.t. Husband of unfaithful wife; (v.t.) make a ~ of. [(vb f. n.) ME *cokereold* f. OF *cucuault* (*cucu* CUCKOO; mod. F *coucou* cuckoo, *cocu* enckold)]

cu'ckōō (kōō-), n. & pred. a. 1. Migratory bird reaching British Islands in April & depositing its eggs in nests of small birds;

- simpleton; ~ *clock* (striking with sound like ~'s note); ~-*flower*, meadow plant with lilac-white flower, ladysmock; ~-*pint*, common arum, wake-robin; ~-*spit*, froth exuded by the larvae of certain insects as a protection. 2. adj. (sl.). Crazy, barmy. [f. F *coucou*, imit.]
- cuc'ullate**, -*ated*, a. (bot., zool.). Shaped like, covered with, a hood. [f. LL *cucullatus* (*cucullus* hood, see -*ATE*²)]
- cuc'umber**, n. (Creeping plant with) long fleshy fruit eaten in thin slices as salad; cool as a ~, quite cool, self-possessed. [f. F *cocombre* (mod. *conc-*) f. L *cucumerem* (nom. -*mis*)]
- cuc'urb'it**, n. Gourd. Hence ~A'CROUS (-*ashus*) a. [f. L *cucurbita*]
- cud**, n. Food that ruminating animal brings back from first stomach into mouth & chews at leisure; (fig.) *chew the ~*, reflect, ruminate. [OE *cwidu*, cf. OHG *chuti*, *quiti*, glue]
- cud'bear** (-*bār*), n. Purple or violet dyeing-powder prepared from various lichens; kind of lichen. [named by Outhbert Gordon, patentee]
- cud'dle**, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Hug, embrace, fondle; lie close & snug; nestle together; curl oneself up. 2. n. Hug, embrace. Hence ~*esome* (-*ls-*), ~*y*¹, *aa*, given to ~ing or tempting to ~e. [?]
- cudd'y**¹, n. Cabin of half-decked boat, it! (i.e. who is most likely to have brought it about!); (pop.) to what purpose? [L] **cuirass'** (kw-), n. Body armour, breast-plate & back-plate fastened together; woman's close-fitting sleeveless bodice. [f. F *cuirasse* f. L *coriacea* (fem. adj.) leathern (*corium* leather, see -*ACROUS*)]
- cuirassier** (kwirasē', kūr-), n. Horse-soldier wearing cuirass. [F (as prec., see -*IER*)]
- cuisine** (kwizēn'), n. Kitchen arrangements; style of cooking. [F, =kitchen f. L *coquina* (*coquere* cook)]
- cuisse** (kwis), **cuish** (kw-), n. (hist.). Thigh armour (usu. pl.). [earlier *cuissees*, -*ies*, -*es*, (pl.) f. OF *cuisse* f. L *coxae* (*coxa* hip)]
- cul-de-sac** (see Ap.), n. Blind alley; (Anat.) tube etc. open at one end only. [F]
- cule**, dim. suf. = F *-cule* f. L *-culus*, *-cula*, *-culum*; the L suf. appears in E as *-cle*, as *-cule*, or in full: *article*, *corpuscule*, *corpuscle*, *fasciculus*, *Auricula*, *vasculum*.
- cul'inary**, a. Pertaining to a kitchen or cooking; fit for cooking, as ~ *plants*. [f. L *culinarius* (*culina* kitchen, see -*ARY*¹)]
- cull**, v.t., & n. Pick (flower etc.); select; (n.) animal removed from flock (& usu. fattened) as inferior or too old for breeding. [f. OF *cuillir* (mod. *cueillir*) f. L as *COLLECT*]
- cullender**. See *COLANDER*.
- cull'et**, n. Refuse glass with which crucibles are replenished. [later form of *COLLET* now disused in this sense]
- || **cull'y**, n. (sl.). Dupe, simpleton; mate, pal. [?]
- culm**¹, n. Coal-dust (esp. of anthracite). [?]
- culm**², n. (bot.). Stem of plant (esp. of grasses). So ~*iferous* a. [f. L *culmus*]
- cul'minant**, a. At, forming, the top; (of heavenly body) on the meridian. [foll., -*ANT*]
- cul'min'ate**, v.i. Reach its highest point (in; lit. & fig.); (Astron.) be on the meridian. Hence ~*ATION* n. [f. LL *culminare* (*culmen* top) see -*ATE*²]
- cul'pable**, a. Criminal, blameworthy, as ~*le negligence*, hold him ~*le*. Hence **cul'pability**, ~*leness* (-*ln-*), *nn.*, ~*LY*² adv. [f. OF *coupable* f. L *culpabilis* (*culpa* fault)]
- cul'prit**, n. Offender; prisoner at the bar. [17th c.; orig. in formula *Culprit*, how will you be tried?, said by Clerk of Crown to prisoner pleading Not Guilty; abbr. of *Culpable*: *prest d'averrer* etc. (You are guilty: (I am) ready to prove etc.)]
- cult**, n. System of religious worship; devotion, homage, to person or thing (the ~ *of*). [f. L *cultus* -*us* worship (*colere* cult- till, worship)]
- cul'tivate**, v.t. Till, whence **cul'tivator** a.; (fig.) improve, develop, (person, mind, manners; esp. in p.p.); pay attention

to, cherish, (faculty, art, person, his acquaintance); prepare (ground) with CULTIVATOR. [f. LL *cultivare* f. *cultiva* (terra) tilled (land), as prec., -IVE, -ATE²]

cultivā'tion, n. Cultivating, cultivated state, (lit. & fig.). [F (as CULTIVATE, see -ATION)]

cultivātor, n. One who cultivates; implement for breaking up ground & uprooting weeds. [-OR²]

cūl'trate, a. (nat. hist.). Knife-edged. So **cūl'triform** a. [f. L *cultratus* (culter -tri knife, -ATE²)]

cūl'tur'e, n., & v.t. Tillage; rearing, production, (of bees, oysters, fish, silk, bacteria); set of bacteria thus produced; improvement by (mental or physical) training; intellectual development; (v.t.) cultivate (lit. & fig., chiefly in p.p. ~ed pr. -cherd). Hence ~AL a., ~IST(2) n., (-cher-). [(vb f. F *culturer*) F, f. L *cultura* as CULT, -URE]

|| **cūl'ver**, n. (dial.). Wood-pigeon; ~keys, cowslip, other plants. [OE *culfre*, etym. dub.]

cūl'verin, n. (hist.). Large cannon, small firearm. [f. F *coulverine* snake (L *colubra*, -INE²)]

cūl'vert, n. Channel, conduit, carrying water across under road, canal, etc.; channel for electric cable. [?]

cūm, prep. With; ~ *grano* (*salis*) (grān'ō sāl'is), with caution or reserve (lit. with a grain of salt); ~ *dividend* (abbr. ~ *div.*), including dividend about to be paid; also in names of combined parishes, as *Slow~Quy*. [L]

cūm'ber, v.t., & n. Hamper, hinder; burden; (n.) hindrance, obstruction. [(vb) f. OF *combrer* f. LL *cumbrus* heap, etym. dub., perh. f. L CUMULUS; (n.) f. vb or f. G *kummer* trouble]

cūm'bersome, a. Unwieldy, clumsy. Hence ~LY² (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mm-) n. [-SOME]

Cūm'brian, a. & n. (Native) of Cumberland; of the ancient British kingdom of Cumbria. [-AN]

cūm'brous, a. = CUMBERSOME. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [CUMBER + OUS]

cūm'in, -mm-, n. Umbelliferous plant like fennel, with aromatic seed. [f. L f. Gk *kumīnon*]

|| **cūmm'er**, **kimm'er**, n. (Sc.). God-mother of one's child or godchild; female companion; woman. [f. F *commère* f. LL *com(m)ater* mother)]

cūmm'erbūnd, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Waist sash. [f. Hind. & Pers. *kamar-band* loin band]

cūm'quat (-ōt), n. Plum-sized orange-like fruit with sweet mind and acid pulp, used in preserves. [dial. form of Chin. *kin kū* golden orange]

cūm'shaw, n. (pidgin Engl.). Present, tip, bakshish. [dial. form of Chin. *kan heich* grateful thanks]

cūm'ūlate¹, a. Heaped up, massed. [as foll., see -ATE²]

cūm'ūl|āte², v.t. & i. Accumulate. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *cumulare* (cumulus heap), see -ATE²]

cūm'ūlative, a. Tending to accumulate increasing in force etc. by successive additions, as ~ evidence; ~ system in which each voter has as many votes as there are representatives, & may give all to one candidate; ~ *ence* shares (entitling holder to arrears of interest before other shares receive any on current year). Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. prec. + -IVE]

cūm'ūlus, n. (pl. -i). Heap; set of rounded masses of cloud heaped on each other & resting on horizontal base. So

cūm'ūlo, comb. form, **cūm'ūlous** a. [L]

cūn'ēate, a. Wedge-shaped. [f. L *cuneare* (cuneus wedge), see -ATE²]

cūn'ēiform (also *kūnē'i-*), a. & n. 1. Wedge-shaped. 2. n. ~ writing in ancient inscriptions of Persia, Assyria, etc. [f. L *cuneus* wedge, -FORM]

cūn'ētte¹, n. (fortif.). Central trench sunk in fort ditch, serving as drain. [F, f. It. *cunetta* (ult. f. L *lacuna* ditch)]

cūnn'ing¹, n. Artfulness, craft; (arch.) ability, dexterity. [vb] n. f. CAN²]

cūnn'ing², a. Artful, crafty; (arch.) skillful, ingenious; able. Hence ~LY² adv. [part. (orig. ⁺*cunnende*) of CAN²]

cūp¹, n. Drinking-vessel, with or without handle & stem, as *tea*, *coffee*, ~; ~ *challenge* ~ (prize for race etc., usu. of gold or silver, esp. one held by winner only until next race etc.); rounded cavity, esp. calyx of flower, socket of some bones, etc.; cupful, as ~ of *tea*, *half a ~*; one's ~ of *tea* (colloq.), what interests or suits one; challice used, wine taken, at Communion; fate, portion, experience, as *a bitter ~*, *his ~ was full* (happiness, misery, was complete); *the ~s that cheer but not inebriate*, *tea* (Cowper *Task* iv. 39); *in one's ~s*, while (getting) drunk; wine, cider, etc., with various flavourings, as *claret ~*; ~ & *ball*, ~ at end of stem, with attached ball to be thrown & caught in ~ or on spiked end of stem; ~ *bearer*, one who serves wine, esp. officer of royal or noble household; ~ *moss*, lichen with ~-shaped processes arising from the thallus; ~ *shake*, opening between two concentric layers of timber. Hence ~FUL (-ōb) n. (pl. -la). [perh. f. LL *cuppa*, whence OF *cope*, It. *coppa*, etc.]

cūp², v.t. (-pp-). Bleed (person) by means of a ~ *ping-glass*. [f. prec.]

cupboard (kūb'erd), n. Shelved closet or cabinet for crockery, provisions, etc.; *SKELTON in the ~*; ~ *love* (simulated for sake of what one can get by it). [CUP¹ + BOARD]

cūp'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). Small flat circular vessel used in assaying gold or silver with lead; (v.t.) assay in ~. Hence ~LA'

TON n. [(vb f. n.) f. *F coupelle* f. med. L *cupella* f. *cupa* cask]

Cūp'id, n. Roman god of love; beautiful boy; ~'s *bow*, (upper edge of) upper lip, which is shaped like the conventional double-curved bow carried by ~. [f. L *Cupido* (*cupere* desire)]

cūp'id'it'y, n. Greed of gain. [f. *F cupidité* f. L *cupiditatem* (*cupidus* desirous, see -TY)]

cūp'ola, n. Rounded dome forming roof; ceiling of dome; (also ~furnace) furnace for melting metals; revolving dome protecting mounted guns on warship; (Anat., Zool.) dome-like organ or process. [It., f. L *cupula* dim. of *cupa* cask]

cūp'r'eous, a. Of or like copper. [f. L *cupreus* (*cuprum* COPPER) + -OUS]

cūp'ric, a. Containing copper. So **cūp'rif'EROS**, **cūp'rous**, aa., **cūp'ro-** comb. form. [f. L *cuprum*, -IO(1)]

cūp'ile, n. (bot., zool.). Cup-shaped organ, receptacle, etc. [f. L as *CUPOLA*]

cūr, n. Worthless, low-bred, or snappish dog; surly, ill-bred, or cowardly fellow. [cf. MDu. *korre*, cf. ON, Sw., *kurra* grumble]

cūr'acao, -*coa*, (-sō), n. Liqueur of spirits flavoured with peel of bitter oranges. [Du. island in Caribbean sea; -*coa* is E mis-spelling]

cūr'acy, n. Curate's office; beneficence of perpetual curate. [f. *CURATE*, see -ACY(3)]

cūr'a'e, -i, n. Resinous bitter substance from some S. American plants, paralysing the motor nerves, used by Indians to poison arrows. Hence **cūr'arine** n., **cūr'arine**(5) v.t. [corrupt. of native *wurali*]

cūr'assow (-ō), n. Turkey-like bird of Central & S. America. [= *CURACAO*]

cūr'ate, n. Assistant to parish priest; ~in-charge, clergyman appointed to take charge of parish during incapacity or suspension of incumbent; || (joc.) small extra poker meant for use. [f. med. L *curatus* one having a charge (*cura*), see -ATE²]

cūr'ative, a. & n. (Thing) tending to cure (esp. disease). [F (-if, -ive), f. L *curare* **CURE**², see -ATIVE]

cūr'at'or, n. Person in charge, manager; keeper, custodian, of museum; || member of board managing property or having general superintendence in University; || (Sc. law; kūr'a-) guardian of minor, lunatic, etc. Hence **cūr'atōr'IAL** a., ~SHIP n. [L (as prec., -OR²)]

cūrb, n., & v.t. 1. Chain, strap, passing under lower jaw of horse, used as a check; (fig.) check, restraint; hard swelling on horse's leg, whence ~Y¹ a.; frame round top of well; timber or iron plate round edge of circular structure; = **KERB**; ~roof, one of which each face has two slopes, the lower one steeper. 2. v.t. Put ~ on (horse), (fig.) restrain. [(vb f. n.) f. *F courbe* (adj.) f. L *curvus* bent]

cūr'ūma, n. Turmeric, substance used in curry-powder, as test for alkalis (~paper), etc.; genus of tuberous plants yielding this & other commercial substances. [mod. L, f. Arab. *kurkum* saffron, turmeric, cf. *CROCUS*]

cūrd, n. Coagulated substance formed (naturally or artificially) by action of acids on milk, and made into cheese or eaten (often pl.; ~s & whey, junket); fatty substance found between flakes of boiled salmon; ~soap (white, of tallow & soda). Hence ~Y¹ a. [perh. f. OE as *CROWD*²]

cūr'dle, v.t. & i. Congeal, form into curd; (fig.) ~ the blood (with horror). [*curd* v.t. & i. (now rare) + -LE(3)]

cūr'e¹, n. Remedy; course of medical or other treatment (esp. of specified kind, as *grape*, *milk*, ~), success with this; spiritual charge, as ~ of souls; vulcanization. Hence ~LESS (*kūm*-) a. [OF, f. L *cura* care]

cūr'e², v.t. & i. Restore to health (also fig.); remedy (an evil); preserve (meat, fruit, tobacco) by salting, drying, etc. (also intr.); vulcanize (rubber), (of rubber) become vulcanized. Hence **cūr'ant**, ~Y¹ n., **cūr'ABLE** a. [f. *F curer* f. L *curare* take care of (*cura*)]

cūr'e³, n. (sl.). Odd or eccentric person. [?]

cūr'é (see Ap.), n. Parish priest in France etc. [F]

cūr'ette, n., & v.t. & i. Surgeon's small scraping-instrument; (vb) scrape with ~. [F (as **CURE**¹, -ETTE)]

cūr'ew, n. Medieval regulation for extinction of fires at fixed hour in evening; hour for this; (also ~bell) bell announcing it; ringing of bell at fixed evening hour, still surviving in some towns; (under martial law etc.) signal or time after which inhabitants may not be abroad. [f. AF *coeverfu* f. OF *coeverfe* (*couverir* cover + *feu* fire)]

cūr'ia, n. One of the ten divisions of any of the three ancient Roman tribes; its place of worship; Roman senate-house; senate of ancient Italian towns; court of justice (esp. under feudal organization); the Papal court. [L]

cūr'ial, a. Of a curia; of the Papal court, whence ~ISM n. [F, f. L *curialis* (*CURIA*, see -AL)]

cūr'io, n. (pl. -os). Curious object of art. [= foll.]

cūr'io's'it'y, n. Desire to know; inquisitiveness; strangeness; a ~, strange or rare object. [f. OF *curiosité* f. L *curiositatem* (as foll., see -TY)]

cūr'ious, a. Eager to learn; inquisitive; minutely careful, as ~ inquiry; strange, surprising, odd; erotic, pornographic (as euphemism in bookellers' catalogues). Hence ~Y¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *curius* f. L *curiosus* f. *cura* care, see -IOUS(1)]

curl¹, *n.* Spiral lock of hair; *~paper* (used for twisting hair into *~s*); anything spiral or incurved; act of curling, as *~ of the lip* (expressing scorn); state of being curled, as *keep the hair in ~*; disease of potatoes etc. in which shoots or leaves are curled up. [f. foll.]

curl², *v.t. & i.* Bend, coil, into spiral shape (f. & i.); *~ up*, roll up into a curl, (intr., sl.) collapse; move in spiral form (of smoke etc.); play at CURLING; *~ing-irons, -tongs*, instruments (heated before use) for *~ing* the hair; *~ing-pins*, folding clips used (cold) for similar purpose. [f. obs. adj. *croll, crull*, curly; cf. Du. *krullen*, G. *kröllen*, *kröllen*]

curl³ew, *n.* Wading bird with long slender curved bill. [f. OF *courlieus* perh. limit. of cry, but assim. to *corlieu* courier f. *courir* run]

curl⁴ing, *n.* In vbl senses; esp.: Scots game played on ice with large round stones; *~irons, -tongs, -pins*, see CURL². [f. *ing*¹]

curl⁵y, *a.* Having, arranged in, curls; *~pate*, *~headed* person. Hence **curl⁶iness** *n.* [f. *y*²]

curmüd⁷geon (-jn), *n.* Churlish or miserly fellow. Hence *~LY*¹ (-jn-) *a.* [f.]

cur⁸rach (-ra), *n.* Coracle. [f. Ir. *curach*, cf. CORACLE]

cur⁹ragh (-ra), *n.* Marshy waste land; *The C~*, military camp and race-course near Dublin. [Ir. *corrach* marsh, Manx *curragh* fen]

cur¹⁰rrant, *n.* Dried fruit of a seedless variety of grape grown in the Levant, much used in cookery; *Red, White, Black, O~*, (fruit of) species of Ribes. [orig. *raisins of Corauntz* (Corinth)]

cur¹¹rrency, *n.* Time during which a thing is current; (of money) circulation; money current in actual use in a country (|| *~note*, inconvertible legal-tender note for £1 or 10s. issued by Treasury during & after the 1914-18 war, replaced in 1928 by Bank of England notes); prevalence (of words, ideas, reports). [f. L *currere* run, see -ENCY]

cur¹²rrerit¹, *a.* In general circulation or use (of money, opinions, rumours, words); *pass, go, run, ~*, be generally accepted as true or genuine; (of time) now passing, as *~ week, month*; belonging to the *~ time*, as *~ issue* (of journal); *~ handwriting*, cursive. Hence *~LY*² adv. [f. OF *corant* part. of *courir* f. L *currere* run (refash. on L)]

cur¹³rrerit², *n.* Running stream; water, air, etc., moving in given direction; course, tendency, (of events, opinions, etc.); transmission of electric force through a body. [prec. as n.]

cur¹⁴rricke, *n.* Light two-wheeled carriage (usu. for two horses abreast). [f. foll.]

cur¹⁵ric¹ course, *n.* Course (of study). [L, = course, race-chariot, f. *currere* run]

cur¹⁶rrier, *n.* One who dresses & colours tanned leather. [f. OF *corier* f. L *coriarius* (corium hide, leather, see -ARY²)]

cur¹⁷rish, *a.* Like a cur; snappish; mean-spirited. Hence *~LY*³ adv., *~NESS* *n.* [f. *ish*¹]

cur¹⁸rry¹, *n., & v.t.* 1. Dish of meat etc. cooked with bruised spices & turmeric; *~paste, -powder*, preparations of turmeric etc. for making *~*. 2. *v.t.* Prepare, flavour, with *~powder*. [(vb f. n.) f. Tamil *kari* sauce]

cur¹⁹rry², *v.t.* Rub down or dress (horse etc.) with *~comb*; dress (tanned leather); (fig.) thrash; *~favour* (orig. *favel* f. OF *faveau*, *favel*, the chestnut horse), ingratiate oneself (with person) by officiousness etc. [f. OF *correier*, earlier *corre* (reder prepare see ARRAY)]

cur²⁰se, *n.* Utterance of deity or person invoking deity, consigning person or thing to destruction, divine vengeance, etc. (*~s come home to roost*, injure the curser; *under a ~*, feeling or liable to its effects); sentence of excommunication; profane oath, imprecation; accursed object; evil inflicted in response to a *~*; great evil, bane; (Cards) *~ of Scotland*, nine of diamonds. [f.]

cur²¹se, *v.t. & i.* Utter curse against; excommunicate; blaspheme; afflict (with (esp. in pass.); (v.i.) utter curses. [f.]

cur²²s¹ed, *-st, a. & adv.* In vbl senses; also: damnable, abominable; (arch.; usu. *curst*) cantankerous; (adv.) cursedly. Hence **cur²³s²ed¹ly** adv., **cur²⁴s³ed²ness** *n.* [p.p. of prec.]

cur²⁵s⁴ive, *a. & n.* Running (writing in manuscript), opp. to UNCIAL. [f. med. L *cursius* (L *currere* *curr*-run, see -IVE)]

cur²⁶s⁵or, *n.* Transparent slide engraved with hair-line forming part of slide-rule. [L, as CURSIVE]

cur²⁷s⁶or¹ial, *a.* Having limbs adapted for running (*~ birds* etc.). [as CURSORY, -AL]

cur²⁸s⁷or²ily, *a.* Hasty, hurried, (*~y inspection*). Hence *~LY*⁴ adv., *~INESS* *n.* [f. L *curiosus* of a runner (as CURSIVE, see -ORY)]

cur²⁹t, *a.* Discourteously brief; terse, concise; (literary) short. Hence *~LY*⁵ adv., *~NESS* *n.* [f. L *curtus* short]

cur³⁰tall¹, *v.t.* Cut short (lit. & fig.); deprive of. Hence *~MENT* *n.* [f. obs. *curtal* horse with docked tail f. OF *cortald* (court short f. L *curtus* + Teut. *suf. -ald*); assim. to *tail*]

cur³¹tall²-step, *n.* Lowest step of stair, with outer end carried round. [f.]

cur³²tain (-tn), *n., & v.t.* 1. Suspended cloth used as screen; *draw the ~* (back or aside to reveal objects, forward to conceal them); screen separating stage of theatre from auditorium (*~ falls, drops, is dropped*, at end of action, *rises, is raised*, at beginning; also fig.; *~l*, narrator's word drawing attention to dramatic situation just described, = *tableau*);

fire-proof ~ in theatre, metal sheet cutting off stage; plain wall of fortified place, connecting two towers etc.; piece of plain wall not supporting a roof; partition, cover, in various technical senses; ~-*fire*, = BARRAGE (Mil.); ~ *lecture*, wife's reproof to husband in bed; ~-*raiser* in theatre, short opening piece. 2. v.t. Furnish, cover, shut off, with ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *cortine* f. L *cortina*, etym. dub.]

cūrtā'na (or -ah-), n. Pointless sword borne before kings of England at Coronation, as emblem of mercy. [Anglo-L ~ (*spada*) curtailed (sword) (as CURT, see -AN)]

cūrt'lage, n. (law, dial.). Area attached to dwelling-house. [f. OF *courtillage* (*court* small COURT + AGE)]

cūrt'sy, -sey, n., & v.i. 1. Feminine salutation made by bending knees & lowering body; *make, drop, a* ~. 2. v.i. Make ~ (to person). [var. of COURTESY]

cūr'ule (-ool), a. Pertaining to any high civic dignity; (Rom. Ant.) ~ *chair*, one like camp-stool, inlaid with ivory; ~ *magistrate*, one entitled to this. [f. L *curulis* perh. f. *currus* chariot]

cūrv'ature, n. Curving; curved form; (Geom.) deviation (of curve) from straight line. [f. L *curvatura* (as foll., see -URE)]

cūrv'e, v.t. & i. Bend so as to form a curve. [f. L *curvare* (as foll.)]

cūrv'e, n. Line of which no part is straight; curved form or thing; (Statistics etc.) line presenting diagrammatically a continuous variation of quantity, force, etc., graph. [f. L *curvus* bent]

cūrv'et' (also kērv'it), n., & v.i. (-tt-, -t-). Horse's leap with fore-legs raised together & hind-legs raised with spring before fore-legs reach ground; (v.i., of horse or rider) make ~. [(vb f. It. *corvettare*) f. It. *corvetta* dim. of *corvo* curve (as prec.)]

cūrv'i- in comb. = L *curvus* curved, as -*caudate*, -*costate*, -*dentate*, -*rostral*, with curved tail, ribs, teeth, beak; -*foliate*, with leaves bent back; -*form*, of curved shape; -*nerve* (of leaves), with veins diverging from mid-rib & converging towards margin.

cūrv'ilin'ear, a. Contained by, consisting of, curved line(s). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [prec. + LINEAR]

cūs'cūs, n. Aromatic root of an Indian grass, used for fans etc. [f. Hind. *khas khas*]

cū'sec, n. (Flow of) one cubic foot (of water) per second (unit in irrigation engineering). [abbr. of 'cubic foot per second']

cūsh'at, n. (Sc., dial.). Wood-pigeon, ring-dove. [!]

cushion¹ (kōb'shn), n. 1. Mass of soft material stuffed into cloth or silk covering,

for sitting, kneeling, reclining, on; FUR~. 2. Pad worn by woman under hair; pad beneath skirt of woman's dress. 3. Elastic lining of sides of billiard table; steam left in cylinders as buffer to piston; fleshy part of buttock (of pig etc.); frog of horse's hoof; sweetie in ~ shape; ~-*tire* of bicycle (rubber tubing stuffed with rubber shreds). Hence ~Y¹ (-sho-) a. [f. F *coussin*, etym. dub.; the earlier (ME) form *cuisshin* is f. OF *coissin* f. L ⁺*corinum* (cora hip, see -IN¹)]

cushion² (kōb'shn), v.t. Furnish with cushions; protect with cushions (also fig.); suppress quietly (complaints etc); (Billiards) place, leave, (ball) against cushion. [f. prec.]

cush'y (kōb-), a. (sl.). (Of a post, task, etc.) easy, pleasant, comfortable. [Anglo-Ind., f. Hind. *khush* pleasant]

cūsp, n. Apex, peak; (Geom.) point at which two branches of curve meet & stop; (Archit.) projecting point between small arcs in Gothic tracery; (Bot.) pointed end, esp. of leaf. Hence ~ED¹ (-pt) a. [f. L *cuspis* -idis point]

cūs'pid'al, a. Of (the nature of) a cusp. So ~ate, ~ated, [-ATR²(2)] aa. [as prec., -AL]

***cūs'pidōr**, n. Splittoon. [Port., = splitter (*cuspis* f. L *conspuere*, see -OR²)]

***cūss**, n. Curse; person, creature, (often disparaging). [vulg. pron. of CURSE¹]

***cūss'edness**, n. Perversity, esp. *pure* ~. [vulg. pron. of *cursefulness*]

cūs'tard, n. Mixture of eggs & milk, baked or served liquid; ~-apple, W. Indian fruit with pulp like ~. [orig. a kind of pie; prob. f. obs. *crustade* f. F *croustade* (as CRUST, -ADE)]

cūstōd'ial, a. Relating to custody. [-AL]

cūstōd'ian, n. Guardian, keeper. So **cūstōd'ian**² n. [as foll. + -AN]

cūs'tod'y, n. Guardianship, care, (*parent* has ~ of child, child is in the ~ of father); imprisonment, esp. *take into* ~, arrest. [f. L *custodia* (*custos* -odis guardian, see -Y¹)]

cūs'tom, n. Usual practice; (Law) established usage having the force of law; (pl.) duty levied upon imports from foreign countries; ~-house, office (esp. in seaport) at which ~s are collected; business patronage or support; the *C~s*, department of the Civil Service that deals with the levying of ~s. [f. OF *costume* f. L *consuetudinem* f. oon(*suescere* *suet*-grow accustomed), see -TUDE]

cūs'tomar'y, a. & n. Usual; (Law) subject to, held by, custom (of the manor etc.); (n., also -*tumary*) written collection of the customs of a country. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [f. med. L *custumarius* = L *consuetudinarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

cūs'tomer, n. Buyer; (colloq.) *queer*, *awkward*, etc., ~ (person to deal with). [prob. f. CUSUM + -ER¹]

cūs'tōs, n. Guardian, keeper; ~ *rōll-w'r'm*, keeper of the rolls, principal justico of the peace in a county. [L]

cūt¹, n. Act of cutting; stroke, blow, with knife, sword, whip; ~ & *thrust*, hand-to-hand struggle; excision (of part of a play etc.); act, speech, that wounds the feelings; particular stroke in cricket, lawn tennis, croquet, etc.; refusal to recognize an acquaintance (esp. *give one the ~ direct*); *short ~*, crossing that shortens the distance; fashion, style, (of clothes, hair, etc.); *the ~ of one's Jim*¹; a ~ (degree, stage) *above*; wound made by cutting; railway cutting; narrow opening in floor of stage of theatre, by which scenes are moved up & down; = *wood-cut*; piece (esp. of meat) cut off; reduction (in wages, prices, etc.); *draw ~s*, draw lots with sticks of unequal length (prob. a different word); ~*off*, device to prevent feeding of cartridges from magazine of rifle; ~*out*, device in motor-car for releasing gas rapidly without passage through silencer. [f. foll.]

cūt², v.t. & i. (*cūt*). 1. Penetrate, wound, with edged instrument, as *the knife ~ his finger*, *he ~ his finger with a knife*, (fig.) *argument ~s both ways* (tells for both sides); (fig.) a ~*ting wind*, ~*ting retort*, it ~ *him to the heart*, whence ~*tingly*² adv.; divide with knife etc. *in two*, *in* or *into* pieces (~ *the knot*, fig., solve problem in irregular but efficient way, cf. *GORDEAN*); (fig.) (~ *renounce*) a *connexion*; detach by ~*ting*; carve (meat); cross, intersect, as *two lines ~ each other*; (intr.) *pass through*, *across*, etc., (sl.) *run* (~ & *run*, run away); reduce by ~*ting* (hair etc.); reduce (wages, prices, time, etc.); ~ *it fine*, allow only the minimum; ~ *a loss*, abandon losing speculation in good time; ~ *the record*, reduce the recorded shortest time for race etc., or surpass record otherwise; shape, fashion, by ~*ting* (coat, gem, etc.); perform, execute, make, as ~ *a CAPER*, *DASH*, *FIGURE*, *joke*; divide (pack of cards, or abs.) to select dealer, prevent cheating, etc.; hit (ball, or abs.) in certain way, in cricket etc.; renounce acquaintance of (person), decline to recognize him, esp. ~ *him dead*; absent oneself from, avoid, renounce, as ~ *a lecture*, ~ *the whole concern*; ~ *a tooth*, have it appear through gum (~ *one's eye or wisdom teeth*, fig., develop insight or wisdom); ~ *short*, shorten by ~*ting* (lit. & fig.), also interrupt; ~ *one's stick*, go; ~ *coat according to COTER*. 2. ~ *back* (Cinemat.), repeat, for dramatic reasons, portions of scenes already shown on screen (also as n., ~*back*); ~ *down*, bring or throw down by ~*ting*, (fig.) reduce (expenses); ~ *in* (intr.), enter abruptly, interpose (in conversation), (Cards) join in game by taking place of player who

~s out, (Motoring) obstruct path of vehicle one has just overtaken by returning to one's own side of the road too soon; ~ *no ice* (sl.), effect little or nothing; ~ *off*, remove by ~*ting*, bring to an end, intercept (supplies, communications), exclude (from access etc.); ~ *off with a shilling*, disinherit by bequeathing a shilling; ~ *out*, remove by ~*ting*, stop doing or using (something), (fig.) out-do or supplant (rival), fashion or shape (lit. & fig.), *detach (animal) from the herd, (Cards, intr.) be excluded from game as result of ~*ting*, (Nav.) capture (enemy ship) by getting between it & shore, (Motoring) obstruct path of oncoming vehicle by moving out from one's own side of the road, esp. in order to overtake another vehicle; ~ *up*, ~ in pieces, destroy utterly, (fig.) criticize severely, (usu. pass.) distress greatly, ~ *up* (*well*), leave (large) fortune, ~ *up rough*, show resentment; ~ & *come-again*, abundance; ~ & *dried* or *dry* (of opinions etc.), ready-made, lacking freshness; ~*purse*, thief; ~*throat*, murderer, (adj., of competition) intensive, merciless, (of bridge, euchre, etc.) three-handed. [?]

cūtān'eous, a. Of the skin. [f. mod. or med. *L cutaneus* (cutis skin, see -ANEOUS)]

cūt-away, a. & n. (Coat) with skirt cut back from the waist.

cūtch'a, a. (Anglo-Ind.). Of poor quality; makeshift (opp. *PUCKA*); (of bricks) sun-dried. [Hind. *kachcha* raw]

cutch'erry, **cūtch'ery**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Public office, court-house; office of planter etc. [f. Hind. *kachahri*]

cūte, a. (colloq.). Clever, shrewd; ingenious; ~*attractive*. Hence ~*ly*² (-tl) adv., ~*NESS* (-tn-) n. [for ACUTE]

|| **Cūt'h'bert**, n. (sl.). Evader of military service esp. on plea of indispensability in Civil Service. [the pers. name]

cūt'icle, n. Epidermis or other superficial skin; (Bot.) superficial film of plants. Hence **cūt'ic'ular**¹ a. [f. *L cuticula* dim. of *OUTIS*]

cūt'is, n. (anat.). True skin, underlying the epidermis. [L, = skin]

cūt'lass, n. Short sword with wide slightly curved blade, esp. that used by sailors. [f. *F coutelas* augment. of *couteau* (-tel) knife, dim. f. *L* as *COULTER*]

cūt'ler, n. One who makes or deals in knives & similar utensils. [f. OF *couteiller* f. *couteil*, see prec. & -*ER*⁽²⁾]

cūt'ler'y, n. Trade of the cutler; things made or sold by cutlers. [f. OF *couteilerie* (as prec., see -*ERY*)]

cūt'lēt, n. Neck-choop of mutton, small piece of veal, broiled or fried in bread-crumbs; imitation of mutton ~ in minced fish etc. [f. *F côtelette* double dim. of *côte* rib f. *L costa*]

cūt't'er, n. Common, thing, that cuts; superior kind of brick that can be cut;

boat belonging to ship of war, fitted for rowing & sailing; small single-masted vessel rigged like sloop, but with running bowsprit. [-æ¹]

cūt't'ing, n. In vbl senses; || esp. excavation of high ground for railway, road, etc.; || *press* ~, paragraph etc. cut from newspaper. [-ɪŋ¹]

cūt'tle, n. (Usu. ~*fish*) mollusc ejecting black fluid when pursued; ~*bone*, its internal shell, used for polishing. [OE *cudele*, etym. dub.]

|| **cūt't'y**, a. & n. (Sc. & north.). Cut short, abnormally short; (n.) short pipe; ~*stool*, seat in Sc. churches where unchaste women sat to receive public rebuke during service. [CUT², -y²]

cūt'water (-waw-), n. Knee of head of ship, dividing water before it reaches bow; forward edge of prow.

cūt'worm (-wɜ:m), n. Caterpillar that cuts off young plants level with the ground.

-**cý**, suf., special form of the abstract suf. -ý, repr. L -*cia*, -*tia*, & Gk -*kia*, -*keia*, -*tia*, -*keia* (see -ACY, -ANCY, -ENCY). On anal. of wds in -*acy*, -*ncy*, with corresp. nn. in -*alc*, -*nt*, as *advocacy*, *advocate*, *infancy*, *infant*, -*cy* was extended to wds in -*n*, as *chaplaincy*, *captaincy*, after *incumbency*, *heutenancy*, &, being thus regarded as independent suf. -*ship*, to other wds as *colonelcy*: it is even added to wds ending in -*t* (where -*c* should have been substituted for -*t*), as *bankruptcy*, *idiocy*, normal form being *idiotcy* f. Gk *idiókēia*.

cýān'ic, a. Blue; (Chem.) of, containing, cyanogen. [as foll. +IC]

cýano- in comb. 1. Dark-blue, as ~*meter*, instrument for measuring blueness of sky. 2. Of, containing, cyanogen. [f. Gk *kuamos*, a dark-blue mineral]

cýān'ogén, n. (chem.). Compound radical consisting of one atom of nitrogen and one of carbon. Hence **cý'anide** n. (*cyanide process*, method of extracting a precious metal from its ore by treatment with a dilute solution of potassium cyanide). [f. F *cyanogène* (as prec. + -GEN)]

cýanós'is, n. Blue discoloration, due to circulation of imperfectly oxygenated blood. [f. Gk *kuanōsis* (as prec., see -OSIS)]

cý'cad, n. (bot.). Kinds of palm-like plant.

cýc'lamén, n. Kinds of plant cultivated for their early-blooming flowers. [med. L. f. Gk *kuklaminos*, etym. dub.]

cý'cle, n., & v.t. 1. Recurrent period (of events, phenomena, etc.); *Melonic* or *Lunar* ~, one of 19 years, used for finding date of Easter; period of a thing's completion; complete set or series; series of poems or songs (*song* ~) collected round a central event or idea; bicycle, tricycle, or similar machine; ~*car*, very light motor vehicle of simplified design

with 3 (rarely 4) wheels, usu. fitted with chain drive & engine of 1 or 2 cylinders. 2. v.t. Revolve in ~s; ride ~. [(vb f. n.) f. L f. Gk *kuklos* circle]

cýc'lic, -ical, aa. Recurring in cycles; belonging to a chronological cycle; (-ic) of a cycle of poems, as ~*poet*; (Gk Ant., -ic) ~*chorus*, dithyrambic chorus, danced in ring round altar; (Bot., of flower) with its parts arranged in whorls; (Org. Chem., -ic) with the constituent atoms in a ring formation. [f. L f. Gk *kuklikos* (as CYCLE)]

cýc'list, n. Rider of a cycle. [CYCLE + -IST]

cýclo- in comb. = Gk *kuklos* circle, as ~*graph*, instrument for tracing circular arcs, ~*meter* (-ðm-), instrument for measuring (1) circular arcs (2) distance traversed by bicycle etc., ~*stomous* (-st-), with round mouth, ~*ra'ma* (-ah-), circular panorama.

cýc'loid, n. Curve traced by a point on a radius of a circle within (*prolate* ~), on (*common* ~), or without (*curtate* ~), its circumference, as the circle rolls along a straight line. Hence **cýc'loid'al** a. [f. Gk *kukloideîs* (as CYCLE, see -OID)]

cýc'lōne, n. System of winds rotating round a centre of minimum barometric pressure; violent hurricane of limited diameter. Hence **cýclōn'ic** a. [irreg. f. Gk *kuklos* circle]

cýclop(aed'ia (-pɔd-), n. = ENCYCLOPÆDIA. Hence ~*ic* a. [abbr. of ENCYCLOPÆDIA]

Cýclopé'an, -clōp'ian, a. Of, like, a Cyclops; huge; ~*masonry*, an ancient style made with huge irregular stones. [f. L *Cyclopeus*, -pius, f. Gk *kuklōpeios*, -pios, (as foll.)]

Cýc'lōp(s), n. (pl. -*ops*, -*opses*, -*ðp'ēs*). (Gk Myth.) one-eyed giant; one-eyed person. [L (-s), f. Gk *kuklōps* (*kuklos* circle + *ōps* eye)]

cýc'lostýle, n., & v.t. Apparatus printing copies of writing from stencil-plate cut by pen with small toothed wheel; (v.t.) reproduce with this. [CYCLO-]

cýc'lotrōn, n. (phys.). Apparatus for electro-magnetic acceleration of charged atoms, atomic nuclei, etc. [f. CYCLO- + (ELEC)TRON]

cýd'er. See CIDER.

cýg'nét, n. Young swan. [f. L *cygnus* swan + -ET¹]

cýl'inder, n. (Geom.) solid generated by straight line moving parallel to itself and describing with its ends any fixed curve, esp. circle; roller-shaped body, hollow or solid; barrel-shaped object of baked clay covered with cuneiform writing and buried under Babylonian or Assyrian temple; stone of similar shape used as seal by Assyrians; cylindrical part of various machines, esp. chamber in which steam acts upon piston; metal roller used in printing. [f. L f. Gk *kulindros* (*kulindō* roll)]

cylín'drical, a. Cylinder-shaped. [f. Gk *kulindríkos* (as prec., see -ic) + *-al*]

cyl'indroid, a. & n. (Figure) like a cylinder. [f. Gk *kulindroeidēs* (as prec., -oid)]

cým'a, n. (pl. -mas). Ogee moulding of cornice (~ *recta* with concave, ~ *reversa* with convex, curve uppermost); = *CYME*. [mod. L, f. Gk *kuma* wave, anything swollen]

cýmár', n. Woman's loose light garment esp. under-garment. [f. F *simarre* OF *chimarre*, cf. CHIMERE]

cým'bal, n. One of a pair of concave brass or bronze plates, struck together to make ringing sound. Hence ~ism n. [f. L f. Gk *kumbalon* (*kumbē* cup)]

cým'balō (pl. -os), -lōn, nn. = DULCIMER. [f. It. *cembalo*, as prec.]

cým'bifōrm, a. (anat., bot.). Boat-shaped. [f. L *cymba* boat + *-form*]

cýmbocephāl'ic, a. With boat-shaped (i.e. long and narrow) skull. [f. Gk *kumbē* boat + *kephalē* head + *-ic*]

cýme, n. (bot.). Inflorescence in which primary axis bears single terminal flower that develops first, system being continued by axes of secondary and higher orders (cf. RACEME). Hence *cýmosm'* a. [F, = top (as CYMA)]

Cým'ric (-), a. Welsh. [f. W *Cymru* Wales]

cýn'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, characteristic of, the Cynic philosophers; = foll. 2. n. (C~) philosopher of sect founded by Antisthenes, marked by ostentatious contempt for pleasure. 3. Sneering fault-finder. Hence ~ism n. [f. L f. Gk *kuníkos* (*kuōn kunos* dog, nickname for Cynic)]

cýn'ical, a. Churlish; captious; incredulous of human goodness; sneering. Hence ~ly² adv. [-*al*]

cýno- in comb. repr. Gk *kuōn kunos* dog, as ~*phob'ia*, dread of dogs.

cýnocéph'alus, n. Fabulous dog-headed man; (Zool.) dog-faced baboon. [L, f. Gk *kunokēphalos* (prec. + *kephalē* head)]

cýn'osúfe (or -shoor), n. (Constellation containing) Pole-star, Little Bear; guiding star; centre of attraction or admiration. [F, f. L f. Gk *kunosoura* dog's tail, Little Bear (*kuōn kunos* dog + *oura* tail)]

cypher. See OPIHER.

cy pres (sèprá'), adv., n., & a. (Law) as near as possible (to testator's intentions); (adj.) approximate; (n.) approximation. [AF, = F *si près* so near (as etc.)]

cýp'rēs, n. Coniferous tree with hard wood and dark foliage; branch of this as symbol of mourning. [f. OF *cypres* f. LL *cypressus* f. Gk *kuparissos*]

Cýp'rian, a. & n. (Inhabitant, native) of Cyprus; licentious (person). [f. L *Cyprius* (Cyprus) + *-an*]

Cýp'riot, -ôte, a. & n. = prec. (first sense). [-*on*]

Cýrēn'ic (añ-), a. & n. (Philosopher) of

the hedonistic school of Aristippus of Cyrene. [f. L f. Gk *Kurēnaikos* (*Kurēnē*)]

Cýrill'ic, a. = *alphabet*, that used by Slavonic peoples of the Eastern Church. [St *Cýril*, supposed inventor, + *-ic*]

cyrtō- (sér-) in comb. = Gk *kurtos* (as ~*meter* (-óm'-), instrument measuring chest.

cýst, n. (Biol.) hollow organ, bladder, etc., in animal or plant, containing liquid secretion; (Path.) sac containing morbid matter, parasitic larva, etc.; cell containing embryos etc. [f. Gk *kustis* bladder]

cýst-, **cýsti-**, **cysto-**, in comb. repr. Gk *kustis*, *kustē*, bladder, as *cystiform*, bladder-shaped, *cystocele*, -SCOPE, -TOMY.

cýs'tic, a. Of the urinary bladder; of the gall-bladder; of the nature of a cyst. [f. F *cystique* (as CYST, see -ic)]

cýstit'is, n. Inflammation of the bladder. [CYST-, -ITIS]

-cyte, suf. in biol. wds meaning *cell*, as *LEUCOCYTE*. [f. Gk *kutos* vessel]

cýto- in comb. = *cell*, as ~*blast*, protoplasmic nucleus of a cell. [as prec.]

cýtól'ogý, n. (biol.). Study of cells. Hence **cýtól'ogist** n. [CYTO-]

czár, **tsár**, **tzár**, (z-, ts-), n. Emperor of Russia. [f. Russ. *ts(ár)ar* f. L *Caesar*]

czá'révitch, -wich, **tsar-**, (z-, ts-), n. Son of a czar (not now an official title; cf. CESAREVITCH). [f. Russ. *tsarevitch*]

czarév'na, **tsar-**, (zah-, ts-), n. Daughter of a czar. [Russ.]

czarina, **tsar-**, (zahrén'a, ts-), n. Wife of a czar, Russian empress. [f. G *czarin* f. OZAR]

czarít'sa, **tsar-**, n. Russian form of prec.

Czech, -kh, (chěk), n. & a. (Native or language) of Bohemia. [f. Boh. *Cech*]

Czechoslovak (chěkōslōv'ák) a. & n. (Native) of the State called *Czechoslovakia* including Bohemia, Moravia, part of Silesia, Slovakia, and formerly Carpathian Ruthenia. [Czech, Slovak, native race-names, -o-]

D

D (dē), letter (pl. *Ds*, *D's*, *Dees*); *D block*, *trap*, *valve*, shaped like the letter; also *D* = *DEE*; (Mus.) second note of natural major scale.

d. Colloq. clipping of *had* & *would*, chiefly after *I*, *we*, *you*, *he*, *she*, *they*.

-d, p.p. suf. (*heard* etc.); see *-ED*¹, & cf. *DEAD*.

da. See *DAD*.

dāb', v.t. (-bb-). Strike lightly or undecidedly, hit feebly at, tap, peck; press but not rub (surface) with sponge etc., whence ~b'ER'(-ē) n.; press (brush, dabber, etc.) against surface. [f. 1800; etym. dub.]

dāb', n. Slight or undecided but sudden blow, tap, peck; brief application of

sponge, handkerchief, etc., to surface without rubbing; moisture, colour, etc., so applied. [f. prec.]

dāb³, n. Kind of flat-fish. [?]

dāb⁴, n. (colloq.). Adept (at games etc., doing). [f. 1690; etym. dub.]

dāb⁵, v.t. & i. Wet intermittently, slightly, or partly, soil, moisten, splash; move the feet, hands, bill, about in water; engage in or at pursuit etc. as a hobby, whence **dāb**⁶ **bler**¹ n. [cf. Du. *dabbelen* & **DAB**¹, -LE(3)]

dāb⁷ **chick**, n. Water-bird, the Little Grebe. [early forms *dap*-, *dop*-; perh. cogn. w. **DIP**]

dāb⁸ **ster**, n. = **DAB**⁴; = **DAUSTER**. [-STER] *da ca'pū* (dakhah-), mus. direction. Repeat from the beginning. [It.]

dāce, n. Small fresh-water fish. [ME *darse* f. OF *darz* DART]

dachs⁹ **hund** (dakhsh-hōont), n. Short-legged breed of dog. [G. = badger-dog]

dacoit¹, n. Member of Indian or Burmese armed robber band. [f. Hind. *dakait* f. *daka* gang-robbery]

dacoit² **y**, n. (Act of) gang-robbery. [f. Hind. *dakaiti* as prec.]

dāc³ **tyl**, n. Metrical foot —. [f. L f. Gk *daktulos* finger]

dāctyl⁴ **ic**, a. & n. Of dactyls; (noun, usu. pl.) ~ verse(s). [f. L f. Gk *daktulikos* (prec. -ic)]

dād, **da** (dah), **dād**⁵ **a**, **dādd**⁶ **y**, nn. (colloq.). Father (esp. as voc.); *daddy-long* *legs*, crane-fly. [f. 16th c.; infantile sound]

dād⁷ **ō**, n. (pl. -os). Cube of pedestal between base & cornice; lower few feet of room-wall when faced with wood or coloured differently from upper part. Hence ~ED⁸ (-ōd) a. [It. = **DIE**¹]

daed⁹ **al**, a. (poet.). Skillful, inventive; mazy; manifold, complex, mysterious. [f. L f. Gk *daidalos* skillful, variegated]

Daedāl¹⁰ **ian**, -ēan, a. In the manner of Daedalus the Greek artificer; intricate; labyrinthine. [f. L *Daedaleus* of Daedalus (cf. Gk *daidalos* cunningly wrought) + -AN]

daemonic. See **dem**-.

daff (dah-), v.t. (arch.). Put aside, waive. [var. of **DOFF**, preserved by 1 Hen. IV, iv. 1. 96]

dāff¹ **odil** (also **dāffodill**² **y**, **dāff**³ **adown** **dill**⁴ **y**, in poetry etc.), n. & a. Lent Lily, pale-yellow-flowered Narcissus (alternative to leek as Welsh national emblem); pale yellow (n. & a.). [f. earlier *affodill* (d- unexplained) f. L f. Gk *asphodelos*]

daff (dah-), a. (esp. Sc.). Foolish, reckless, wild, crazy. [OE *gedæfte* mild, meek, whence also **DEFT**; orig. sense (cf. Goth. *gadaban* be fit) *fitting, suitable*; for change of meaning cf. *innocent*]

dāgg⁵ **er** (-g-), n. Stabbing-weapon with short pointed and edged blade (*at* ~ *drawn*, on the point of fighting, in strained

relations, with person, or abs.; *look, speak, ~s*, bitterly, so as to wound; (Print.) (*double*) ~, = (*double*) OBLIQUE. [cf. F *dague*, & ME *dag* to pierce]

***dāg**⁶ **ō**, n. (pl. -os). (Term of contempt for a Spaniard, Portuguese, or Italian. [f. Sp. *Diego* = James])

daguer⁷ **rreotype** (-gēro-), n. (Portrait taken by) early photographic process. [*Daguerre* 1839 inventor, -o-, TYPE]

dah, n. Burmese sword-knife. [Burmese] **dahabee**⁸ **yah** (dah-ha-), -**bi**⁹ **ah** (-bē-), n. Nile sailing-boat. [Arab. = the golden, orig. sense *gilded barge*]

dahl¹⁰ **ia** (dāl-), n. Mexican composite plant cultivated in Europe for its many-coloured single & double flowers (*blue* ~, impossibility; shade of red. [*Dahl* d. 1791, botanist, -ia¹])

dai (dē), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Wet-nurse. [Hind.; cf. Pers. *dāyah*]

Dail (Eireann) (dōil(yē'ran)), n. Chamber of Deputies in the Irish Republic legislature. [Ir. = assembly of Ireland]

dail² **y**, a. adv. & n. 1. (Recurring, appearing, done) every day or week-day, from day to day, constant, often; ~ *bread*, one's necessary food or livelihood. 2. n. A ~ newspaper (pl. *dailies*); || (colloq.) non-resident maid-servant. [OE -*dæglic* (DAY, -LY³)]

dai³ **mō** (dī-), n. (pl. -os). Japanese feudal vassal, noble, (Hist.). [Jap., f. Chin. *dai* great, *myō* name]

dain⁴ **t'y**, n. Choice morsel, dish, etc., delicacy, tit-bit, (lit. & fig.). [f. OF *dainté* f. L *dignitatem* (dignus worthy, -TY)]

dain⁵ **t'y**¹, a. Delicate, choice; tasteful, pretty, of delicate beauty, scrupulously clean; particular, nice, of delicate tastes & sensibility, fastidious; inclined to luxury. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. prec.]

dair⁶ **y**, n. Room or building for keeping milk & cream & making butter etc. (~maid, in charge of this); the milk department in farming; shop for milk etc. (~man, dealer in milk etc.); cows of a farm. Hence (f. rare vb) ~ING⁷ n. [f. obs. *dey* OE *dæge* maid-servant cogn. w. **dāh** DOUGH + -TRY]

dais (dās), n. Raised platform, esp. at end of hall for high table, thrones, etc., or terrace. [f. OF *deis* f. L *disqus* disk in LL sense table]

dais² **y** (-x-), n. Small European wild & garden flower; other plants resembling it, esp. the larger Ox-eye D~; (sl.) first-rate specimen of anything; ~chain, string of daisies fastened together; ~cutter, horse lifting feet very little, ball travelling along ground at cricket. Hence **dais**³ **ind**⁴ (-id) a. [OE *dages* *dage* day's eye]

dak, **dāk**. See **DAWK**.

dal (dahl). See **DAAL**.

dāle, *n.* Valley (esp. in north; also in poet. use, as *hill & ~*); *~sman*, inhabitant of *~s* in north. [OE *dæl*, com.-Teut. cf. G *k(h)al*]

dāl'l'y, *v.i. & t.* Amuse oneself, make sport; toy amorously (*with* or *abs.*); coquet *with* temptation etc.; be evasive *with* person or business; idle, loiter, delay; *~ away*, consume (time, opportunity) to no purpose. Hence **dāl'l'iance** *n.* [f. OF *dahier* chat]

Dālmāt'ian (-shn), *n.* (Also *~ dog*) spotted dog kept to run with carriage. [*Dalmatia*, -AN]

dālmāt'ic, *n.* Wide-sleeved loose long vestment with slit sides worn by deacons & bishops on some occasions, & by kings & emperors esp. at coronation. [f. F *dalmatique* f. L *dalmatica* (vestis robe) of Dalmatia]

dāl segno (sān'yō), *mus.* direction (abbr. D.S.). Repeat from point indicated. [It.]

dalt'onism (dawl-), *n.* Colour-blindness, esp. inability to distinguish green from red. [f. F *daltonisme* f. John Dalton, Eng. chemist so affected, d. 1844, -ISM(2)]

dām¹, *n., & v.t.* 1. Barrier constructed to hold back water & raise its level, to form a reservoir, or to prevent flooding; cause-way; water confined by *~*. 2. *v.t.* (-mm-) Furnish or confine with *~* (usu. up); block up, obstruct, (lit. & fig.). [com.-Teut., cf. Du. *dam*, G *damm*]

dām², *n.* Mother (usu. of beast); *the devil & his ~*, the powers of evil. [var. DAME]

dām'age, *n., & v.t.* 1. Harm (to one's *great ~*), injury impairing value or usefulness; (Law; pl.) sum of money claimed or adjudged in compensation for loss or injury; (sl.) cost (*what's the ~?*). 2. *v.t.* Injure (usu. thing) so as to diminish value; detract from reputation of (person etc.); *trying to ~ the Government*; *a damaging admission*; hence ABLE (-l'jə-) *a.* [f. OF *damage(r)* f. *dām* loss f. L *damnum* + -AGE]

dāmascene', -skeen', *v.t.* Ornament (metal) with inlaid gold or silver; ornament (steel) with watered pattern produced in welding. [f. *Damascus*, -cene thr. L f. Gk *damaskēnos*, -keen thr. F & It.]

dām'ask, *n. & a., & v.t.* 1. *~ rose*, old variety brought from Damascus; its colour; figured woven material (prop. of silk); twilled table-linen with woven designs shown by reflection of light; steel of or as of Damascus, with wavy surface-pattern due to special welding of iron & steel together. 2. *adj.* Coloured like *~ rose*, blush-red; made of or resembling the silk, linen, or steel. 3. *v.t.* Weave with figured designs; = DAMASCENE; ornament with pattern; make (check, etc.) red. [f. It. *Damasco* f. L *Damascus*]

dāme, *n.* (Arch., poet., or joc., for) lady; || keeper, male or female, of Eton boarding house; (Law; || prefixed title of) wife of knight or baronet (*Lady* in ordinary use; cf. *D~ Fortune*, *D~ Nature*); || lady member of Order of British Empire (also as prolix corresp. *Sir*); *D~ Commander*, *D~ Grand Cross*, (ranks in Order); || higher female member of Primrose League; || *~school*, elementary kept by old lady. [OF, f. L *domina* mistress]

dāmm'ar, *n.* Resin obtained from certain Indian and Australasian coniferous trees, used in varnish-making. [Malay *damar*]

dāmn (-m), *v.t. & i., & n.* 1. Condemn, censure, (*~ a person's character*); (Theatr., of audience) receive coldly, secure the withdrawal of, (play); bring condemnation upon, be the ruin of; *~ with faint praise*, commend so frigidly as to suggest disapproval; doom to hell (so in optative, often *d~*, = *may God ~ person* or thing, or with object omitted; *~ed*, or *I'll be ~ed*, if I know etc., colloq. negation); cause the damnation of; curse (person or thing, or abs.; esp. *~ your eyes*, or *impudence*!). 2. *n.* An uttered curse; a negligible amount (*don't care, not worth, a ~*). [f. OF *damner* f. L *damnare* (damnum loss, harm)]

dām'nab'le, *a.* Subject to, deserving, damnation; hateful, confounded, annoying. Hence *~ly* *adv.* [F, f. L *damnabilis* as prec., -ABLE]

dāmnā'tion, *n. & int.* Damning of play; (condemnation to) eternal punishment in hell; (int.) = *may ~ take a person* or thing. [F, f. L *damnationem* (DAMN, -ATION)]

dām'nator'y, *a.* Conveying, causing, censure or damnation. [f. L *damnatorius* (damnare DAMN, -ORY)]

dāmned (-md), *a. & adv.* In vbl senses; also or esp. *the ~*, souls in hell; damnable, infernal, unwelcome; confoundedly, extremely, (*~ or d~d* or *damn' hot, funny*, etc.). [-ED¹]

dām'ni'fy, *v.t.* (legal). Cause injury to. Hence *~FICTION* *n.* [f. OF *damniſter* f. L *damnificare* (damnum loss, -FY)]

dāmn'ing¹ (-mī-), *n.* In vbl senses; esp., cursing. [-ING¹]

dāmn'ing² (-mn-, mī-), *a.* In vbl senses; esp., *~ evidence*, that secures conviction. [-ING²]

dāmnō's'a herē'd'itās, *n.* Inheritance that brings more burden than profit. [L]

Dām'oclēs (-z), *n.* *Sword of ~*, imminent danger in midst of prosperity. [Greek who was feasted with sword hung by a hair over him]

Dām'on and Pŷth'iās, *n. & a.* (As of) devoted friends (*~ friendship*). [Gk tale]

dām'osēl (-z), -zēl, *n.* (arch.). Var. of DAMSEL.

dāmp, *n., a., & v.t. & i.* 1. = CHOKE¹ *~* (also *black ~*); = FIRE¹ *~*; moisture in air,

on surface, or diffused through solid; dejection, chill, discouragement, (*cast or strike a ~ over or into*); *~(-proof) course*, layer of slate etc. in wall to keep ~ from rising; hence *~proof* a. 2. adj. Slightly wet; hence *~sn¹ v.t. & i.* (chiefly U.S.), *~ish² (2) a., ~ly² adv., ~ness n.* 3. vb. Stifle, choke, dull, extinguish, (*~ down a fire*, heap with ashes etc. to check combustion); (Mus.) stop vibration of (string); discourage, depress, (zeal, hopes); moisten; (Gardening) *~ off*, rot & fall off from ~. [*vb f. adj. f. noun*; cf. Du. & Da. *damp*, G *dampf*, vapour]

damp'er, n. Person or thing that depresses; (Piano) pad silencing string except when removed by pedal or by note's being struck; metal plate in flue controlling combustion; contrivance for wetting paper, stamps, etc.; (Austral.) unleavened cake baked in wood ashes. [-ER¹]

dām'sel (-z), n. (arch. & literary). Young unmarried woman. [*f. OF dameisele f. mod. L dominicella dim. of L domina mistress*]

dām'son (-z), n. & a. Small dark-purple plum (*~ plum*, larger but similar); tree bearing it; *~ cheese*, solid conserve of ~s & sugar; (adj.) *~coloured*. [ME *damascene f. L damascenum (prunum plum) of Damascus*]

dān, n. (Also *~ buoy*) small buoy used as a mark in deep-sea fishing; steel canister attached to a long flagged pole showing limits of area cleared by minesweepers (*~n'er*, *~layer*, vessel laying these). [?]

Danaos. See TIMEO.

dance¹ (dah-), v.i. & t. Move with rhythmic steps, glides, leaps, revolutions, gestures, etc., usu. to music, alone or with a partner or set (*~ to one's tune or pipe*, follow his lead); jump about, skip, move in lively way (of heart, blood, etc.); bob up and down on water etc. (*~ upon nothing*, be hanged); perform (minuet, waltz, etc.); *~ attendance (upon person)*, be kept waiting (by), follow about; cause to ~ (bears etc.); toss up & down, dandle, (baby); *~ away, off, into*, etc., lose, bring, etc., by dancing (*his head off, his chance away, herself into favour*). [*f. OF dancer, -er*, perh. f. OHG *dansōn* stretch out]

dance² (dah-), n. Dancing motion (see prec.); some special form of this; single round or turn of one; tune for dancing to, or in ~ rhythm; dancing-party; *lead* (person) a ~, entangle him in useless pursuit or toil; *D~ of Death* or *of Macabre*, medieval picture-subject of Death leading all ranks to grave; *St. Vitus's ~*, disorder chiefly in children with convulsive involuntary movements. [*f. prec.*]

dān'cer (dah-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: one who dances in public for money; || *~ merry ~s*, aurora borealis. [-ER¹]

dān'déliōn, n. Yellow-flowered composite plant with widely toothed leaves. [*f. F dent de lion lion's tooth*]

dān'der, n. (colloq., esp. U.S.). Temper, anger, indignation, (*get one's ~ up*, grow, make him, angry). [?]

Dān'die Dīn'mont, n. Breed of terrier. [character in *Guy Mannering*]

dān'dle, v.t. Dance (child) on knee or in arms; pet. [*cf. It. dandolare (dandola doll)*]

dān'druff, -iff, n. Dead skin in small scales among the hair, scurf. [also *dander*; ending perh. Yorksh. *hurf f. Iscl. hrufa scab*]

dān'dy¹, n. & a. (Person) devoted to smartness esp. of costume, neat, smart, decorated, whence **dāndi'**ACAL a., **dān'dify** v.t., **dāndifia'**TION n., *~ish¹ a.*, *~ism² n.*; * (colloq.) very good of its kind, splendid, first-rate; sloop with special rig; [also *~cart*] spring-cart used by milkmen; *~brush*, of whalebone etc. for cleaning horse. [1780 in Scotland, where *Dandy* also stands for *Andrew*]

dān'dy², n. = DENGUE. [negro corrupt. of *dengue*, perh. w. assim. to prec. w. ref. to stiff attitude caused by pain]

dān'dy³, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Strong cloth hammock slung from bamboo pole, carried shoulder-high by two or more men (a common means of transport in hilly districts). [Hind. *ḍaṇḍī (ḍaṇḍ staff)*]

Dāne, n. Native of Denmark; (Hist.) Northman invader of England; (also *Great ~*) powerful short-haired breed of dog. [*f. Da. Daner f. O'Fut. Daniz pl.*]

dān'ger (-j-), n. Liability or exposure to harm, risk, peril, (of one's life, of death or other evil; *in ~ of*, likely to incur etc.); position of railway signal directing stoppage or caution (*signal is at ~*); thing that causes peril (*a ~ to the peace of Europe, to navigation*). So *~ous a.*, *~ously² adv.*, (-j-). [earlier sense *power (within his ~ at his mercy)*, f. OF *dangier f. LL *dominiarius (L dominium f. dominus lord, -ARY¹)*]

dangle (dāng'g), v.i. & t. Be suspended & sway to & fro; hold or carry (thing) swaying loosely; hold (hopes etc.) as temptation before person, in his sight, etc.; hover after, round, about, person as a follower, lover, etc., whence *~er¹ n.* [etym. dub.; cf. Da. *dangle*]

Dān'iel (-yel), n. Upright judge, person of infallible wisdom. [*Dan. i-vi, & Merchant of Venice*, iv. i. 228, 335]

Dān'ish, a. & n. (Language) of Denmark or the Danes. [OE *Denice* (-ish²)]

dānk, a. Soaked, oozy; unpleasantly or unwholesomely damp (of air, weather, etc.). [*cf. Sw. dank marshy spot*]

Dāntē's an, a. & n. (Student) of Dante; in Dante's style or recalling his descriptions; So **Dāntē'squē** a., **Dāntē'stē** n. [-AN]

dāp, v.i. & t. (-pp-), & n. Fish by letting bait bob on water; dip lightly; make (baby

bounce, (of ball) bounce, on ground; (n.) bounce of ball. [cf. DAB¹]

dāph'nē, n. Kinds of flowering shrub. [Gk (-ē), = laurel]

dāpp'ēr, a. Neat, smart, in appearance or movement. [cf. Du. *dapper*, G *täpfer*, valiant]

dāp'ple, v.t. & i. & n. Variegated, become variegated, with rounded spots or patches of colour or shade; (n.) ~d effect; ~grey, (horse) of grey with darker spots. [perh. = Icel. *depill* spot dim. of *dapi* pool; but G *apfelgrau*, F. *gris-pommelé*, & other parallels, suggest some connexion with apple]

dārb'ies (-bīz), n. pl. (sl.). Handcuffs. [?]

Darb'y and Joan, n. Devoted old married couple. [perh. f. poem 1735 in *Gentleman's Mag.*]

dāre, v.t. (before expressed or implied infin. without *to*, the 3 sing. pres. is usu. ~, the past & conditional often *durst*; otherwise ~s, ~d; infin. without *to* is usual only after the sense *venture* in negative or virtually negative sentence). Venture (to), have the courage or impudence (to), (I ~ *swear*, feel sure that; ~ *he do it?*; *he ~s to insult me*; *I would if I durst* or ~d; *they ~d or durst not come*, *did not ~ to come*); attempt, take the risks of, (~ *all things*, a leap, the event, person's anger); defy (person); challenge (person) to do, to it, etc.; *I ~ say* (rare exc. in 1st person; 3rd sing. in reported speech, *he ~s to say*, past *he ~d say* or *to say*), am prepared to believe, do not deny, = very likely (often iron.); ~devil, reckless (person). [OE *durran* f. Aryan *dhers-* cf. Gk *tharseō* be bold; the pres. (cf. CAN) is an old past, whence *dare* as 3rd sing.]

dār'i, n. = DURRA.

dār'ing¹, n. In vbl senses; esp., adventurous courage. [-ING¹]

dār'ing², a. In vbl senses; esp., adventurous, bold. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING²]

dark¹, a. With no or relatively little light, unilluminated (~ *lantern*, that can have its light covered); gloomy, sombre; of colour more or less near black (esp. as pref. to adj.). of colour as ~brown; ~BLUE²); brown-complexioned, not fair; evil, atrocious; cheerless (~ *side of things*); sad, sullen (a ~ *humour*), frowning; obscure (~ *saying*, ~ *oblivion*); secret (*keep thing ~*; *keep ~*, remain in hiding); little known of (~ *horse*, unexpected winner of race, & fig. of persons); unenlightened (*in the ~est ignorance*; *the ~ ages*, Middle Ages); the D~ *Continent* (in last two senses), Africa; ~ *room*, with actinic rays excluded for treating photographic plates. Hence ~ISH¹(2) a., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. (*Prince of ~ness*, the Devil). [OE *deorc*; as adj. exclusively E, but cf. OHG *tarchanjan* to hide]

dark², n. Absence of light (esp. in the ~);

nightfall (*at ~*); dark colour (esp. in art, *the lights and ~s of a picture*); want of knowledge (*am in the ~ about it*; *leap in the ~*, rash step or enterprise). Hence ~SOME a. (poet.). [f. prec.]

dār'k'en, v.t. & i. Make or become DARK¹; ~ one's door, pay him a visit (usu. neg.); ~ counsel, make perplexity worse. [-EN¹]

dār'k'le, v.i. Lie concealed; grow dark. [mod. back-formation f. foll. misused stood as part.]

dār'k'ling, adv. & a. In the dark. [-LING¹]

dār'k'y, -ey, n. (colloq.). Negro. [-Y¹]

dār'ling, n. & a. Loved, best loved, lovable, (person or animal). [OE *deorling* (DEAR, -LING¹)]

dār'n¹, v.t., & n. 1. Mend (esp. knitting) by interweaving yarn with needle across hole, whence ~ING¹(5) n.; ~ing-ball, -last, for stretching work during operation. 2. n. Place so mended. [perh. f. obs. vb & adj. *der'n* hide, hidden, = OHG *tarnan* hide]

dār'n², v.t. (sl.). Damn (as imprecation). [deformation of DAMN]

dār'n'el, n. Kind of grass growing as weed among corn. [cf. Wallon *darnelle*]

dār't, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Pointed missile, esp. light javelin, || (pl.) indoor game with toy ~s & target; sting of insect etc.; sudden rapid motion; act of throwing missile. 2. vb. Throw (missile), throw missile; emit suddenly (glance, flash, anger); start rapidly in some direction. [OF accus. of *darz* cf. DACE]

dār't'er, n. In vbl senses; also: web-footed bird of pelican tribe; (pl.) order of birds including kingfishers & bee-eaters; kinds of fish. [-ER¹]

dār't'le, v.t. & i. Keep on darting. [-LE(3)]

Dār't'moor, n. (Used for) convict prison near Princetown, Devon.

Dār't'mouth (-mu-), n. (Used for) Royal Naval College, ~, Devon.

dār't're (-ter), n. Kinds of skin disease, esp. herpes. So **dār't'rous** a. [F, etym. dub.]

Dār'win'ian, a. & n. Of, person believing in, Charles Darwin or his doctrines esp. on evolution of species. So **Dār'win-ism**(3) n., **Dār'winist**(2) n. & a., **Dār'win-is'tic** a., **Dār'winist¹**(1) n. & a., **Dār'winist²**(2, 4) v.t. & i.

dash¹, v.t. & i. Shatter to pieces (rarely abs., as *flowers ~ed by rain*); knock, drive, throw, or thrust, away, off, out, down, etc.; fling, drive, splash, (thing or person) against, upon, into; bespatter with water etc. (~board, of wood or leather in front of vehicle to keep out mud, board beneath motor-car wind-screen containing instruments; ~ed with colour); dilute, qualify, (water with spirit, joy with pain); frustrate (~ one's hopes), daunt, discourage, confound; write down or throw off rapidly (composition, sketch); underline; (sl.) ~damn as mild imprecation; fall, move, throw oneself, with violence; come into collision against,

upon; ride, run, or drive *up*, move about, behave, with spirit or display, whence ~'ING¹ a., ~'INGLY¹ adv. [cf. Sw. *daska* drub; but perh. imit., cf. *clash*, *crash*, etc.; imprecatory use perh. f. use of dashes in *d—*, *d—d*, cf. BLANK¹]

dāsh¹, n. Sound of water striking or struck; splash of colour; infusion (~ of *brandy*, of *good blood*); hasty pen-stroke; horizontal stroke in writing or printing to mark a break in sense, a parenthesis (two ~es), omitted letters or words, etc.; rush, onset, sudden advance; (capacity for) vigorous action; showy appearance or behaviour (*cut a ~*, make a brilliant show). [f. prec.]

dāsh'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., contrivance for agitating cream in churn. [-ER¹]

dās'tard, n. Coward, skulker, esp. one who commits brutal act without endangering himself. Hence ~LY¹ a., ~LINESS n. [prob. f. *dazed* p.p. + -ARD]

dā'sūre, n. (Kinds of) small ferocious arboreal cat-like carnivorous marsupial found in Australia and Tasmania. [Gk *dasy* rough + *oura* tail]

dāt'a. See DATUM.

|| **dāt'aller**, **day'taler**, n. Workman engaged and paid by the day. [DAY, TALE in sense *reckoning*, -ER¹]

dāte¹, n. W.-Asiat. & N.-Afr. tree (also ~*palm*), or its fruit, an oblong single-seeded berry. [OF, f. L f. Gk *daktulos* finger]

dāte², n. Statement in document, letter, book, or inscription, of the time (& often place) of execution, writing, publication, etc.; time at which thing happens or is to happen; *(colloq.) engagement, appointment; period to which antiquities etc. belong; person's age, duration, term of life, (arch. or poet.); (*go out of ~*, (become) obsolete; *up to ~* (f. book-keeping phr. for accounts completed to current day, now as sl. adj. & adv.), meeting, according to, the latest requirements or knowledge; ~*line*, meridian 180° from Greenwich, east & west of which the ~ differs. [F, f. L *data* fem. p.p. of *dare* = (letter) given (at such a time & place)]

dāte³, v.t. & l. Mark (letter etc.) with date (~*d from London*), whence dāt'ER² (2) n.; refer (event) to a time; count time, reckon, (~*dating from the Creation*); bear date, be ~d; have origin from (*church ~s from the 14th c.*); (of art, style, etc.) become recognizable as of a past or particular period; be or become out of date. Hence dāt'ABLE a. [f. prec.]

dāt'eless (-tl-), a. Undated; endless; immemorial. [f. DAT², + -LESS]

dāt'ive, a. & n. (~*case*), the case in nouns, pronouns, & adj., proper to the remoter object or recipient. So dātiv'AL a., ~LY¹ (-vl-) adv. [f. L *dativus* (*dare* *dāt'-give*, -IVE)]

dāt'um, n. (pl. -ta). Thing known or granted, assumption or premises from which inferences may be drawn; fixed starting-point of scale etc. (ORDNANCE ~). [L, neut. p.p. of *dare* give]

dātūr'a, n. Kinds of poisonous plant, including stramonium, yielding strong narcotic. [f. Hind. *dhatūra*]

daub, v.t. & l. & n. Coat (wall etc.) with plaster, clay, etc. (n., the material); smear (surface; n., a smear), lay on (greasy or sticky stuff); soil, stain; paint (t. & l.) inartistically, lay (colours) on so, (n., a coarse painting), whence ~ER¹, ~STER, nn., ~Y¹ a. [f. OF *dauber* f. L *DE* (*albare* f. *albus* white) whitewash]

daught'er (dawt-), n. One's female child; female descendant, female member of family, race, etc.; woman who is the spiritual or intellectual product of person or thing; product personified as female (*Carthage ~ of Tyre*; *Fortune and its ~ Confidence*; ~*language*, as French of Latin); ~-in-law, son's wife, (loosely) step-. Hence ~HOOD n., ~LY¹ a. [Aryan; OE *dohtor*, Du. *dochter*, Gk *tochter*, Gk *thugatēr*, cf. Skr. *dauh*-to milk]

daunt, v.t. Discourage, intimidate; press (herrings) down in barrel. [f. OF *dānter* (now *dompter*) f. L *domitare* frequent, of *domare* tame]

daunt'less, a. Intrepid, persevering. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [perh. f. obs. *daunt* a check f. prec. + -LESS]

dauph'in, **dauph'iness**, nn. (Wife of) King of France's eldest son. [family name (f. L *delphinus* DOLPHIN) of lords of Dauphiné, last of whom ceded it on condition of *dauphin's* being accepted as French heir-apparent's title]

|| **dāv'enpōrt**, n. Escritoire with drawers & hinged writing-slab. [prob. maker's name]

Dāv'id and **Jōn'athan**, n. Any pair of devoted friends. [1 Sam. xviii etc.]

dāv'it, n. Crane at ship's bow for hoisting anchor clear of side; one of pair of cranes for suspending or lowering ship's boat. [formerly also *dauid* prob. f. the male name; cf. *jemmy*]

Dāv'y (lāmp), n. Miner's wire-gauze safety lamp. [Sir H. *Davy* (d. 1820), inventor]

dāv'y, n. (sl.). *Take one's ~*, swear (*that, to fact*). [short for AFFIDAVIT]

Dāv'y Jones's lock'er (jōnal), n. The deep, a watery grave (in the sea). [?]

daw, n. -*JAOKDAW*. [cf. OHG *tāha*, G *dohle*] **daw'dle**, v.l. & t., & n. Idle, dally; ~*e away* (time etc.) waste; hence ~ER¹ n.; (n.) ~ing person. [cf. DODDER², & dial. *daddle* totter as baby; -LE(3)]

dawk, **dāk**, **dak**, (dawk), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Post or transport by relays of men or horses; relay; ~ *bungalows*, house for travellers at ~*station*. [Hind.]

dawn, v.i., & n. 1. Begin to appear or grow light (of *day*, *daylight*, *morning*,

country shone upon, things becoming evident to mind, intelligence, civilization, etc.); *first ~ings* etc., beginning; *~ing*, the East; *~upon*, begin to be perceptible to. 2. n. First light, daybreak, rise or incipient gleam of anything. [back formation f. *dawning* prob. f. ON, which displaced *dawning* vbl n. f. obs. *daw* OE *dagian* become *day*]

day, n. 1. Time while sun is above horizon, (loosely) including twilights (*~ & night*, adv., throughout these or in both alike; *all ~*, *all the ~*, adv., throughout it; *~break*, *break of ~*, dawn; *~dream*, *~ing*, *~er*, reverie or castle in air, indulgence, indulger, in them); dawn (*before*, *at*, *~*); daylight (*by ~*; *was broad ~*; *clear as ~*). 2. Twenty-four hours (*solar* or *astronomical ~*, from noon; *civil ~*, from midnight; *sidereal ~*, between two meridional transits of first point of Aries, about 4' shorter than *solar*; *natural ~*, = *sidereal*, also in first sense above). 3. Civil ~ as point of time, date, etc. (*one ~*, adv., on an unspecified date past or future; *the other ~*, on a ~ not long ago; *one of these ~s* or *fine ~s*, before long, in prophecy or promise; *some ~*, adv., in the future; *on one's ~*, when he is at his best; *~ of GRACE*). 4. Date of specified festival etc. (*first ~*, Sunday; *Christmas ~*, *birth ~*, *pay ~*, *last Day* or *Day of JUDGEMENT*; *the Day* or *der Tag*, that of victory over Gt Britain expected by Germans). 5. Date agreed upon (*keep one's ~*, be punctual; *one's ~*, for being at home to guests, esp. once a week). 6. Victory (*carry, win, lose*, the ~). 7. Period (often pl., in the ~s of, the ~s of old, in ~s to come, *men of other ~s*; *better ~s*, when one was or will be better off; *fallen on evil ~s*, in misfortune; *sing., at, to, this ~*; *present ~*, adj. = modern; *these ~s*, adv., nowadays; *the ~*, the current ~; *sufficient for the ~ is the evil thereof*, do not anticipate trouble; *men of the ~*, persons of importance at any time; *creature of a ~*, short-lived). 8. One's ~, lifetime, period of prosperity, activity, power, etc., (also pl. *end one's ~s*, die; *every dog has his ~*, no one always unlucky). 9. *This ~ week*, *month*, *year*, reckoning forward or back from to ~; *~ about*, on alternate ~s; *~ by ~*, *~ after ~*, *from ~ to ~*, *every ~*, advv. of daily repetition or progress; *twice etc. a ~*, in each ~ (see *1st*); *call it a ~*, consider that one has done a ~'s work; *know the time of ~*, be wide awake, knowing; *the ~ before*, *after*, *the fair*, advv., too early, late, for opportunity. 10. *~boarder*, schoolboy feeding but not sleeping at school; *~book* in book-keeping, book in which esp. sale transactions are entered at once for later transfer to

ledger; *~boy*, schoolboy living at home; *~fly*, ephemerid; *~labourer*, hired by ~ at fixed wage; *~long a. & adv.*, (lasting) for whole ~; *~owl*, Hawk-owl hunting by ~; *~room*, used by ~ only, esp. common living-room at schools; *~school*, opp. Sunday, evening, or boarding school; *~spring*, dawn (poet.); *~ticket*, covering return on same ~; *~time*, not night, esp. in the ~time. [OE *dag*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *dag*, G *tag*; not cogn. w. L *dies*]

day/light (-lit), n. Light of day (*BURN³ ~*); openness, publicity; *let ~ into* (sl.), stab or shoot; dawn (*before*, *at*, *~*); visible interval as between boats in race, wine & glass-rim (*no ~*, fill up), or rider & saddle; *~saying*, use of fictitious time in summer making lamps etc. needless.

daze, v.t., & n. 1. Stupefy, bewilder; dazzle; hence *daz'edly²* adv. 2. n. Stupefaction, bewilderment. [ME *dasen* cf. Jeol. *dasask* refl. vb become weary]

daz'zle, v.t., & n. 1. Confuse or dim (sight, eye, person) with excess of light, intricate motion, incalculable number, etc.; confound or surprise (mind, person) by brilliant display lit. or fig.; *~ed with* or *by*; *~e lamps* or *lights* (over-bright, on motor-car); *~e paint* (so patterned on ship as to deceive enemy about hor type or course); hence *~ement* (-hm-) n., *~ingly²* adv. 2. n. Glitter. [f. prec. + *-LE*(3)]

D-Day, n. Day (6 June 1944) on which British and American forces invaded N. France. [*D* for *day*]

de-, pref. From L *de* (prep. & pref. = down (*depend*), away (*defend*, orig. fend off, *deduce*, *deprecate*), completely (*declare*, *denude*), un- (in L oftener *dis-*, but also *de-*, which is now a living pref. in this sense, as *decentralize*, *denasify*, *derequisition*, *dereverse*; many such E wds in *de-* are also f. F in *de-*, which represents L *dis-*, OF & Rom. *des-*, as well as L *de-*), twice over or doubly (in chem. & bot. wds as *decomposite*, *decompound*; a LL use).

deac'on, n. (Primitive Church) appointed minister of charity (*Acts* vi. 1-6); (Episcopal) member of third order of ministry below bishop & priest; (Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian) officer attending to congregation's secular affairs. Hence *~SHIP* n. [f. L f. Gk *diakonos* servant]

deac'oness, n. Woman in primitive & some modern Churches with functions analogous to deacon's. [-ness¹]

dead (déd), a., n., & adv. 1. That has ceased to live (*the ~*, n., ~ person or persons, or all who have ever died; *from the ~*, from among these; *~ men tell no tales*, argument for killing possessor of secret; *~house*, mortuary; *~ march*, march-like funeral music;

funeral service; ~ as a doornail, quite ~; ~ & gone; wait for ~ men's shoes; FLOG ~ horse; ~ men or marines, empty bottles; ~ man's finger, hand, thumb, kinds of orchid; ~ man's handle, the controlling handle in electric trains which must be held and pressed down for current to pass, so that slackening by death or illness cuts the current & stops the train). 2. Numb, insensible, (of hands etc.; also ~ to, unconscious or unappreciative of, hardened against). 3. Without spiritual life. 4. Obsolete, past, not effective, (~ language, one no longer in ordinary use, e.g. ancient Gk; ~ letter, law no longer observed, unclaimed or undelivered letter at post office). 5. Inanimate (~ fence, of timber etc., opp. quickset; ~ matter); extinct, dull, lustreless, without force, muffled, (~ brand, coal; ~ gold, unburnished; ~ colour, first layer in picture, cold & pale; ~ nettle, non-stinging weed like nettle; ~ alive, spiritless; ~ sound, not resonant). 6. Inactive, motionless, idle, (D~ Sea; ~ point or ~ centre, least & greatest extension of piston or crank, where it exerts no effective power; ~ weight, inert, of lifeless matter, also fig. of debt etc.; ~ pull, lift, at thing too heavy for one to move; ~ freight, sum paid in chartering ship for part not occupied by cargo; ~ arch, window, etc., sham; ~ end, terminus of branch line of railway etc.; ~ hand, = MORTMAIN, usu. implying protest; ~ hours, still, in night; ~ season; ~ stock, unemployed capital, unsaleable goods; ~ ball, out of play; wind falls ~; as n., = ~ time, at ~ of night, in the ~ of winter). 7. Abrupt, complete, unrelieved, exact, (come to ~ stop; a ~ faint; on a ~ level; ~ heat, exact equality in race, ~ heat v.l. & t.; ~ spit (colloq.), very counterpart of; a ~ calm; ~ loss, without compensation; be in ~ earnest; a ~ certainty; ~ on the target, quite straight, so ~ shot, unerring; ~ lock, utter standstill). 8. (Golf, of ball) very close to hole, within certain holding distance. 9. ~ alive, (of place, occupation, etc.) dull, tedious, monotonous; ~ eye (Naut.), round flat three-holed block for extending shrouds; ~ fire, St Elmo's fire, as presaging death; ~ ground, water off reach of a fort's guns, infantry fire, etc.; ~ head, non-paying theatre-goer or passenger; ~ light (Naut.), shutter inside porthole to prevent light showing out; ~ (-) line, line beyond which it is not permitted or possible to go, fixed limit of time, (U.S. prisons) painted line across exercise-yard on crossing which a prisoner is liable to be shot; ~ man's (or men's) fingers, finger-like divisions of gills in lobster or crab; ~ reckoning (Naut.), of ship's position by log, compass, etc., when observations are impossible; D~Sea APPLE;

hence ~NESS n. 10. adv. Profoundly, absolutely, completely, (~ asleep, level, straight, tired, drunk; ~ beat, tired out, (Mech.) without recoil, *(n., sl.) worthless sponger; OUT ~; ~ against, directly opposite to). [OE *dēad*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *dood*, G *tot*, f. OTeut. *daudōs* p.p. of vb st. *dau-* DIE²]

dead'en (dēd-), v.t. & i. Deprive of or lose vitality, force, brightness, feeling, etc.; make insensible to. [-EN¹]

dead'ly¹ (dēd-), a. Causing fatal injury; of poisonous nature (D~ Nightshade); entailing damnation (~ sin); implacable, interminable; deathlike (~ paleness, faintness, gloom); intense (~ in haste; ~ dullness). Hence dead'liness n. [OE *dēadlic* (DEAD, -LY¹)]

dead'ly² (dēd-), adv. As if dead (~ white, faint); extremely (~ tired, dull). [OE *dēadlice* (DEAD, -LY²)]

deaf (dēf), a. Wholly or partly without hearing (the ~, ~ people; ~ of an, or in one ear; ~ as an adder or a post; none so ~ as those that won't hear); insensible to harmony, rhythm, etc.; not giving ear to, uncompliant, (turn a ~ ear to); ~ nut, with no kernel; ~ & dumb alphabet, language, etc., signs for communication by the ~; ~ mute, ~ & dumb person. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *dēaf*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *doof*, G *taub*, also Gk *tuphlos* blind]

deaf'en (dēf-), v.t. Deprive of hearing by noise; make (sound) inaudible by louder one; make (floor etc.) impervious to sound. [-EN¹]

deal¹, n. A great, good, ~, large, considerable, amount; (sl.) a ~, = a great ~; (same phrases used adv.) to a large, considerable, extent, (esp. with comparative or superl.) by much, considerably. [OE *dæl*, com.-Teut. cf. G *teil* part; also cogn. v. DOLE]

deal², v.t. & i. (~t pr. délt), & n. 1. Distribute, give out, (gifts etc.) among several; deliver as his share or deserts to person (esp. of Providence etc.); ~t him happiness, good measure; of persons, esp. ~ a blow, abs. or with at, lit. & fig.). 2. Distribute cards to players for a game or round (n., such distribution, player's turn for it, as my ~, or round played after it), give (card, hand, etc.) to player. 3. Associate with (esp. neg. as refuse to ~ with); do business with person, in goods (n., colloq., a bargain or transaction; also dishonest job); *New D~, the programme of social and economic reform planned by the Roosevelt administration of 1932 and subsequent years; raw ~ (colloq.), unfair treatment; square ~ (colloq.), justice, fair treatment. 4. Occupy oneself, grapple by way of discussion or refutation, take measures, with; (with adv.) behave (~ honourably, cruelly, esp. with or by person). Hence ~ING²(1) n. [OE *dælan* as pres.]

deal¹, n. Piece of sawn fir or pine wood between 7 & 9 in. broad & 6 ft long, & not over 3 in. thick; a quantity of these; fir or pine wood. [cogn. w. OE *thille* THILL, but f. LG cf. Du. *deel*, G *dele*]

deal²er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: player dealing at cards; trader, usu. in comb. as *corn-deal*. [-ER¹]

děambŭlā'tion, n., **děam'bŭlatory**, a. Walking. [f. L *deambulatio*, *deambulatorius*, f. DE(*ambulare* walk), -ATION, -ORY]

dean¹, n. Head of cathedral or collegiate-church chapter; || (also *rural-dean*) clergyman invested with jurisdiction or precedence over division of archdeaconry; (colleges) resident fellow, or one of several, with disciplinary & other functions; (foreign, Scots, & modern universities) president of a faculty; = DOYEN. [earlier sense *one set over ten monks* f. L (Vulgate etc.) *decanus* prob. f. *decem* ten]

dean², **dēne**, n. Vale (esp. in names ending in *-dean*, *-dene*, *-den*). [OE *denu*, cogn. w. DEN]

dean³er^y, n. Office, house, of dean; || group of parishes presided over by rural dean. [-ERY]

dear, a., n., adv., & int. 1. Beloved (often as merely polite or even ironical form in talk, esp. *my ~ sir*, *my ~ Jones*, & now used at beginning of most letters not intended to be markedly business-like; as n., ~ or ~est, esp. in voc., = ~ one; a ~, esp. in coaxing formulae). 2. Precious to; one's cherished (*for ~ life*, as though life were at stake). 3. High-priced, costly, (as adv., *sell, buy, pay*, COST¹ one, ~; ~ year, *shop*, in which prices run high); hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 4. int. ~, ~!, ~ me!, oh ~!, expressing surprise, distress, sympathy, etc. [OE *dēore*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *dier* loved, *diuer* costly, G *teuer*]

dearth (dē-), n. Scarcity & dearthness of food; scanty supply of. [ME *derthe* (prec., -TH¹)]

dear²y, -ie, n. (usu. voc.). Dear one. [-Y³]

death (dēth), n. 1. Dying (DIE² the ~; ~bed, on which one dies, ~bed repentance, fig., change of policy made too late to bear fruit; ~rattle, sound in dying person's throat; ~roll, list of the killed or dead; ~watch, kinds of insect whose ticking portends ~). 2. End of life (*civil ~*, ceasing to count as citizen by outlawry, banishment, etc.; *catch one's ~*, i.e. fatal chill etc.; ~duties, tax levied before property passes to heir; ~rate, yearly number of ~s to 1,000 of population; ~trap, unwholesome or dangerous place). 3. Being killed or killing (*field of ~*, battlefield etc.; *be the ~ of*, kill; *do, put, stone*, etc., *to ~*; *war to the ~*, ~feud, till one kills or is killed; *it is, we make it, ~ do, ~* is the penalty; *be in at the ~*, see

fox killed, or fig. any enterprise ended; *be ~ on* (sl.), skilful at killing game etc., or fig. at doing anything; *sick unto, tired to, ~*, to utmost limit; ~adder, kinds of venomous snake; ~blow, mortal, lit. & fig.; ~warrant, for criminal's execution, abolition of custom etc.). 4. Ceasing to be, annihilation, personified power that annihilates, (*at ~s door*, soon to die; ~s-head, skull as emblem of mortality, also kind of moth with skull marked on back; *sure, pale, as ~*; *hold on like grim ~*; ~ on rats, good rat-killer, of ~!, archaic imprecation). 5. Being dead (~mask, cast taken of dead person's face; *eyes closed in ~*). 6. Want of spiritual life (*everlasting ~*, damnation). 7. *Black D-*, (mod. name, transl. f. G for) great pestilence of Oriental Plague in Europe in 14th c. Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY³ adv., ~LESSNESS n., ~LIKE a. & adv., ~LY¹ a. & adv., ~WARD(s) a. & adv., (dēth-). [OE *dēath*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *dood*, G *tot*, f. vb st. *dau-* DIE², -th cogn. w. L p.p. -tus]

***dēb**, n. (colloq.). *Débutante*. [abbr:] **débâcle** (dibah'kl), n. Break-up of ice in river; (Geol.) sudden rush of water carrying along blocks of stone and other debris; confused rush, rout, stampede; collapse, downfall, e.g. of a government. [F]

dēbār¹, v.t. (-rr-). Exclude from admission or right (also ~ *person from the crown* etc.); (rare) prevent, bar, (entrance etc.). [L 1430; F *débarrer*, OF *desbarer*, LL *debarrare*, have almost contrary sense *unbar*; cf. DE in *defend*]

dēbār²k, v.t. & i. = DISEMBARK. Hence **dēbārka'tion** n. [f. F *débarquer* (DE-, BARK³)]

dēbāse¹, v.t. Lower in quality, value, or character; adulterate (coin). Hence ~MENT (-sm-) n. [DE- + obs. *base* for ABASE]

dēbāt¹able, a. Questionable, subject to dispute, (~ *ground* lit. or fig., for which parties contend, borderland). [OF (foll., -ABLE)]

dēbāt²e', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Contest, fight for, (*long ~ed the victory*); dispute about, discuss, (a question); hold argument, esp. in Parliament or public meeting (~ing-society, for practice); consider, ponder, (t. & i.); hence ~ER¹ n. (esp. of one skilled rather in argument than in oratory). 2. Controversy, discussion, public argument. [f. OF *debate* & 13th-c. F *debat* (DE-, Rom. *battere* fight)]

dēbauch¹, v.t., & n. 1. Pervert from virtue or morality; make intemperate or sensual; seduce (woman); vitiate (taste, judgement); hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. Bout or habit of sensual indulgence; hence ~ERY(4) n. [f. F *débaucher* entice from a master (DE-, perh. *bauche* workshop)]

débauchee' (-bosh-), n. Viciously sensual person. [f. F *débauché* p.p. see prec., -EE]

débén'ture, n. 1. || (Arch. or techn.) voucher given to person supplying goods to Royal Household or Government Office, entitling him to payment, Custom-House certificate to exporter of amount due to him as drawback or bounty. 2. || (Ord. sense) sealed bond of corporation or company acknowledging sum on which interest is due till principal is repaid, esp. fixed interest constituting prior charge on assets; || ~ *stock*, ~s consolidated or created as stock whose nominal capital represents debt of which interest only is secured as perpetual annuity. [perh. (w. assim. to -URE) = L *debetur* are due, as initial word of vouchers]

débilit'ité, v.t. Enfeeble (constitution etc.). [f. L *debilitare*, see foll., -ATE³]

débilit'y, n. Feebleness (of health, purpose, etc.). [f. F *débilitéé* f. L *debilitatem* (*debilis* weak, -TY)]

déb'it, n., & v.t. 1. Entry in account of sum owing; side of account (left-hand) in which these entries are made (cf. CREDIT). 2. v.t. Charge (person) with sum; enter (sum) against or to person. [f. L *debitum* DEBT]

déblai (dāb'lā), n. (fortif.). Earth excavated from the ditch (to form parapet). [F, f. *déblayer* to clear]

débonair', a. (arch.). Genial, pleasant, unembarrassed. [f. OF *debonaire* = *de bonne aire* of good disposition]

débôshed' (-shē), a. (Arch. for) debauched.

débouch' (-ôsh), v.i. Issue from ravine, wood, etc., into open ground (of troops; also of stream). So ~MENT (-ôsh-) n. [f. F *déboucher* (L *dis*- see DE- + F *bouche* mouth)]

Débrêtt', n. (Used for) ~s Poerage etc. [John ~, compiler]

debris, **dé-**, (déb'rē), n. Scattered fragments, wreckage, drifted accumulation. [F (*dé-*), f. obs. *débriiser* break down]

debt (dēt), n. Money, goods, or service, owing (~ of honour, not legally recoverable, esp. of sum lost in gambling; || ~collector, one whose business it is to collect ~s for creditors; ~ of nature, death; National D~, sum owed by State to persons who have advanced money to it; funded ~, the part of this converted into fund of which interest only is to be paid; floating ~, part of it repayable on demand, or at stated time; small ~, of limited amount recoverable in County Court; being under obligation to pay something (in, out of, get into, ~ or person's ~). [ME & OF *debtie* f. L *debitum* neut. p.p. of *debere* owe]

debt'or (dēt-), n. One who owes money or an obligation or duty; (Book-keeping) *Debitor*, *Dr*, heading of left-hand or debit

side of account. [ME & OF *debtour* f. L *debitorem* (prec., -OR²)]

***débûnk'**, v.t. (colloq.). Remove the false sentiment from (person, reputation, institution, cult, etc.); remove (celebrity) from his pedestal. [DE-, BUNK²]

|| **débûs'**, v.t. & i. (-ss-). Unload (men, stores) or alight from motor vehicles. [DE- + BUS, after *detrain*]

début (see Ap.), n. First appearance in society, or on stage etc. as performer. [F]

débutant, **débutante**, (see Ap.) nn. Male or female performer making début; (fem.) girl coming out or being presented. [F]

déca-, **déc-**, pref. f. Gk *deka* ten in many technical terms as *decap'ynous* [Gk *gunē* female] with ten pistils, *decahéd'ral* [Gk *hedra* base] ten-sided (-hedron, such solid), *decān'drous* [Gk *andri*- male] with ten stamens, *déc'astyle* [Gk *-stulos*] ten-columned (portico); esp. in French metric system = ten of the specified unit (cf. DECI-), whence *déc'agram(me)*, 353 oz avoird.; *déc'alitre* (-lter), about 2½ gal.; *déc'amètre* (-ter), about 32 ft 9 in.

déc'ad(e), n. Set, series, of ten; ten years; ten books (1-10, 11-20, etc.) of Livy. So **déc'adal**, **décād'ic**, aa. [13th-c. F (-e), f. L f. G *dekas* -ad- f. *deka* ten, -AD, -ADE(2)]

déc'adence, n., **déc'adent**, a. & n. Falling away, declining, deteriorating, (used esp. of a period of art or literature after culmination); (literary sal.) *decadent*, (writer or artist) affecting certain vices, obscurities, & turgidities of style. [f. F *décadence* f. med. L *decadentia* (DE-, Rom. *cadere* = L *cadere* fall, -ENCE)]

déc'agon, n. Plane figure with ten sides and angles. So **décāg'onāl** a. [f. med. L *DECA(gonum)* f. Gk *-gōnos* -angled)]

décāl'cif'y, v.t. Deprive (bone etc.) of its lime. [DE-]

déc'alogue (-ôg), n. The ten commandments. [f. F *décalogue* f. L f. Gk *dekalogos* (*hoi deka logoi* the ten words)]

décām'eron, n. Collection of tales like the D~ of Boccaccio (100 tales told by a company in ten days). [f. It. *DEC(amerone)* wrong form f. Gk *-aëmeron* in *hexaëmeron* neut. adj. of six days]

décāmp', v.i. Break up or leave camp; go away suddenly, take oneself off, abscond. So ~MENT n. [f. F *décamper* (DE-, CAMP²)]

décān'al (or *dék'a-*), a. Of dean, deanery, or south side, on which dean sits, of choir. [f. L *decanus* DEAN¹ + -AL]

décān't, mus. direction. To be sung by decanal side in antiphonal singing (cf. CANTORS). [L genit. as prec.]

décānt', v.t. Pour off (liquid of solution) by gradual inclination of vessel without disturbing sediment; pour (wine) similarly from bottle into decanter; (fig.) move or transfer as if by pouring. [f. F *décanter* f. med. L *DEcanthare* f. L f. Gk *kantēō* CANT¹ used of lip of beaker)]

décân'ter, n. Stoppered glass bottle in which wine or spirit is brought to table. [-ER¹]

décâp'it/âte, v.t. Behead (esp. as legal punishment); cut the head or end from. So ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [f. F *décapiter* f. LL *DEcapitare* f. *caput* -itis head]

déc'apôd, n. Ten-footed crustacean. [f. F *décapode* f. Gk *DECA*(*pous* -podos) foot]

décârb'onize, v.t. Deprive of its carbon or carbonic acid. [DE-]

décâ sualiz'e (-zhô-, -zû-), v.t. Do away with the casual employment of (labour). Hence ~A'TION n. [DE-, -IZE]

décasyllâb'ic, a. & n., **décasyll'able**, n. & a. (Line) of ten syllables. [DECA-]

décathôl'icize, v.t. Divest of its catholic character. [DE-]

décay', v.i. & t. Deteriorate, lose quality, decline in power, wealth, energy, beauty, etc.; rot (t. & i.); cause to deteriorate. [f. OF *decair* f. Rom. *DEcadere* for *L cadere* fall]

décay', n. Decline, falling off; ruinous state, wasting away (phonetic ~, wearing down of word-forms); break-up of health, decomposition; rotten tissue (remove the ~). [f. prec.]

déceas'e, n., & v.i. (Esp. in legal and formal use for) death, die, depart(ure) from life. Hence ~ED¹(2) (-êst') a. and n. (with or without the). [f. F *décès* f. L *DEcessus* n. f. *cedere* cess- go]

décêit' (-sêit), n. Misrepresentation, deceiving; trick, stratagem; the vice of deceitfulness; misleading appearance. Hence ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., ~FULNESS n., (-sêit-). [f. OF *deceite* n. f. fem. p.p. of *decevoir* f. L *DEcipere* -cept- = *capere* take) deceive]

décêiv'e (-sêv), v.t. & i. Persuade of what is false, mislead, (~ oneself, juggle with one's own convictions, also be mistaken); use deceit; disappoint (esp. *hopes*). So ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n., (-sêv-). [f. OF *decevoir* f. L as prec.]

décêl'erâte, v.t. Diminish speed of, cause to slow down (also abs.). [DE-, after ACCELERATE]

Décêm'b'ler, n. Twelfth month of year. Hence ~RIST n., member of Russian revolutionary conspiracy in ~er 1825. [f. OF *décembre* f. L *December* (decem ten) orig. tenth month of Roman year]

décêm'vir (-er), n. (pl. ~s, ~i). (Rom. Hist.) member of board of ten acting as council or ruling power, esp. that appointed 451 B.C. to draw up laws of Twelve Tables; member of any ruling body of ten, as at Venice. So ~AL a., ~ATE¹ n. [L, f. *decem viri* ten men]

dê'cenci'y, n. Propriety of behaviour; what is required by good taste or delicacy; avoidance of obscene language & gestures & of undue exposure of person; respecta-

bility; the ~ies, decorous observances, requirements of a decent life. [f. L *decentia* (*dêcere* be fitting, -ENCY)]

décênn'ary, a. & n. (OF) period of ten years. [f. L *decennis* (decem, annus) ten-year + -ARY¹]

décênn'iad, **décênn'ium** (pl. -ia), n. Ten-year period. [-ad irreg. f. L (-um) f. *decennis* (prec.); see -AD]

décênn'ial, a. Of ten-year period; recurring in ten years. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *decennium* see prec. + -AL]

dê'cent, a. Seemly, not immodest or obscene or indelicate; respectable; passable, good enough, tolerable, whence ~ISH¹(2) a.; || (school sl.) kind, not severe or censorious. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *dêcere* besecm, -ENT]

décên'traliz'e, v.t. Undo the centralization of; confer local government on. Hence ~A'TION n. [DE-]

décêp'tion, n. Deceiving, being deceived; thing that deceives, trick, sham. [f. F *déception* f. L *deceptionem* (*decipere* see DECEIT, -ION)]

décêp'tive, a. Apt to deceive, easily mistaken. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. F *déceptif* (prec., -IVE)]

dêchris'tianize (-krischa-), v.t. Divest of its christianity. [DE-]

dêci-, pref. shortened from L *decimus* tenth, used (as *dêci-* in F) esp. in French metric system in sense $\frac{1}{10}$ of specified unit. So **dê'cibél** (unit for measuring relative intensities of sounds), **dê'cigrâm(m)**, **dê'cilitre** (-êter), **dê'cimètre** (-er), nn.

décide', v.t. & i. Settle (question, issue, dispute) by giving victory to one side; give judgement (between, for, in favour of, against, or abs.); bring, come, to a resolution (that ~s me; ~ to do, on, for, or against doing). Hence **décid'ABLE** a. (f. F *décider* f. L *DECidere* *cis* = *caedere* cut)]

décid'éd, a. In vbl senses; also: definite, unquestionable, (a ~ difference); (of persons) of clear opinions or vigorous initiative, not vacillating. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ED¹]

décid'er, n. In vbl senses; also: (Racing) heat in which tie is run off. [-ER¹]

dêcid'uous, a. Shed periodically or normally (of leaves, teeth, horns, etc.); shedding its leaves annually; shedding its wings after copulation (of ants etc.); fleeting, transitory. [f. L *deciduus* f. *DE(cidere* = *cadere* fall) + -OUS]

dêcill'ion (-yon), n. || Tenth power of million (1 with 60 ciphers). Hence ~R² a. & n. [f. L *decem* ten & *million*, see BILLION]

dê'cimal, a. & n. Of tenths or ten, proceeding by tens, (~ numeration, ordinary counting-system with ten for basis, reckoned by decades; ~ system, of

weights and measures, with denominations rising by tens; ~ *notation*, counting in tens; ~ *arithmetic*, using this notation, also in narrower sense that, also called ~s, treating of ~ fractions; ~ *fraction* or ~, one whose denominator is a power of ten, esp. when expressed by figures written to right of the ~ *point* or dot placed after the unit figure, & denoting tenths, hundredths, etc., according to their place; RECURRING ~; ~ COINAGE); of ~ coinage, whence ~IST(2) n. Hence ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n., ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *decimalis* f. L *decima* tithe, but treated as f. L *decimus* tenth, -AL]

dē'cimāte, v.t. Put to death one in ten of (mutinous or cowardly soldiers); destroy tenth or large proportion of (esp. of epidemic or other visitation). So **dēcīmā'tion** n. [f. L *decimare* take the tenth man (*decimus*), see -ATE³]

dē'cimō-sēx'tō. = SEXTODECIMO.

dē'cīmus. See PRIMUS¹.

dēciph'er, v.t., & n. Turn into ordinary writing or make out with key (thing written in cipher); make out meaning of (bad writing, hieroglyphics, anything perplexing); (n.) interpretation of cipher document. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [DE-]

dēcī'sion (-izhn), n. Settlement (of question etc.), conclusion, formal judgment; making up one's mind, resolve; resoluteness, decided character. [F (*dé-*), f. L *decisionem* (DECIDE, -ION)]

dēcī'sive, a. Deciding, conclusive, (esp. ~ *battle*); = DECIDED (~ *character*, ~ *superiority*). Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. med. L *decisivus* (DECIDE, -IVE)]

dēcīv'ilize, v.t. Divest of civilization. [DE-]

dēck¹, n. 1. Platform of planks or wood covered iron extending from side to side of ship or part of it (in large ships *main*, *middle*, *lower*, ~s, also *upper* or *spar* ~ above *main*, & ORLOP below *lower*; *poop* & *forecastle* ~s, short ones in stern & bow); CLEAR² the ~s; on ~, not below; ~*chair*, camp-stool, also long-armed reclining chair, used in passenger steamers; ~*hand*, man employed on vessel's ~ in cleaning and odd jobs ~*house*, room erected on ~. 2. Pack of cards (now chiefly U.S.). [perh. as foll. f. MDu., but found in E 160 years earlier than the corresp. Du. in same sense]

dēck², v.t. Array, adorn; furnish with, cover as, a deck. [prob. f. MDu. *decken* cover f. OTeut. *thakjan* whence also OE *thac* THATCH]

dēc'kle, n. Contrivance in papermaking-machine for limiting size of sheet (~ *edge*, rough uncut edge). [f. G *deckel* dim. of *decke* cover]

dēclāim', v.i. & t. Speak rhetorically

(often *against*, = *inveigh*), practise speaking or recitation; deliver impassioned rather than reasoned speech; utter rhetorically. Hence ~ER¹ n. [earlier *dēclame* f. L *DEclamare* cry out] w. assim. to CLAIM]

dēclāmā'tion, n. Act or art of declaiming; rhetorical exercise, set speech; impassioned speech, harangue. So **dēclāmā'tory** a. [f. L *declamatio* (prec., -ATION)]

dēclār'ant, n. One who makes legal declaration. [f. L *declarare* DECLARE, -ANT]

dēclārā'tion, n. Stating, announcing; positive, emphatic, solemn, or legal assertion, announcement, or proclamation (~ of *war*, before beginning hostilities, not now usual; ~ of *the poll*, of vote-totals of election-candidates); manifesto, written announcement of intentions, terms of agreement, etc. (D~ of INDULGENCE; D~ of RIGHTS; D~ of *Independence*, of 4th July 1776 by N.-Amer. British colonies; D~ of *Paris* 1856, of *London* 1909 unratified by Gt Britain, international agreements on maritime law); (Law) plaintiff's statement of claim, affirmation in lieu of oath, Custom-House statement (see foll.); (Cards) a bid, pass, double, etc., the winning bid. [f. L *declaratio* (foll., -ATION)]

dēclāre', v.t. & i. 1. Make known, proclaim publicly, formally, or explicitly, (~ *war*, a *dividend*); (abs.) *Well, I ~* (excl. of incredulity, surprise, or vocation). 2. Pronounce (person etc.) to be something, as ~ *him* (to be) *an enemy to humankind*; ~ oneself, avow intentions, reveal character; ~ *for*, *against*, side with, *against*; ~ *innings closed*, or ~, elect to cease batting as though all were out; ~ *off*, break off (bargain etc., or abs.). 3. (Customs) name (dutiable goods) as in one's possession. 4. (Bridge) name the trump suit, or call 'No trumps'; (other card games) announce that one holds (certain combinations of cards etc.). Hence or cogn. **dēclārātivē**, **dēclārātōry**, aa., **dēclārātivēly**, **dēclārēdly**, adv., **dēclār'ER**¹ n. (esp. at cards). [f. F *déclarer* f. L *DEclarare* f. *clarus* clear]

dēclāssé (dāklās'ā), a. (fem. -ée). That has lost caste or sunk in social scale. [F]

dēclīn'sion (-shn), n. Deviation from uprightness etc.; deterioration, decay; (Gram.) case-inflection, one of the noun-classes distinguished by their different methods of case-inflection, declining. [irreg. f. L *DEclinatio* f. *-clinare* cf. Gk *klinō* bend, -ATION]; perh. thr. F *déclinaison* & a form *dēclīn'son* corresp. to *venison*]

dēclīnā'tion, n. Downward bend; (Astron.) angular distance of star etc. north or south of celestial equator, *celestial latitude*; (Compass) angular

deviation of needle, E. or W., from true north. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. OF *déclination* f. L *declinationem* see prec.]
decline', v.i. & t. Slope downwards (usu. intr.); bend, droop, (l., & also t. as with head ~d, ~s its blossoms); (of day, life, etc.) draw to close; sink morally (~ on, descend to); fall off, decay, decrease, deteriorate; turn away from, refuse, (discussion, challenge, battle; ~ to do, doing, to be treated in such a way); say one cannot accept (invitation etc., or abs.; ~ with thanks freq. iron., reject scornfully); (Gram.) inflect, recite the cases of, whence *déclin'*ABLE a. [f. F *décliner* f. L, see DECLENSION; de- in the L = away, in the E chiefly down]

decline', n. Sinking, gradual loss of vigour or excellence, decay, deterioration; phthisis, consumption; fall in price; setting, last part of course, (of sun, life, etc.). [f. F *déclin* f. *décliner* see prec.]

déclinom'èter, n. Instrument for measuring magnetic declination. [irreg. f. L *declinare* see DECLENSION + -METER]

décliv'ity, n. Downward slope. [f. L *declivitas* f. DE(*clivus* f. *clivus* slope) + -TY]

décliv'ous, a. Sloping down (esp. in Zool. of profile). [f. L *declivus*, -is, see prec., + -OUS]

déclutch', v.i. Disengage clutch esp. of motor-car. [DE-]

décoc'tion, n. Boiling down so as to extract essence; liquor resulting. [OF f. L DE(*coctionem* f. *coquere* cook- boil, -ION)]

décôde', v.t. Decipher (code telegram etc.). [DE-]

décôll'ète, v.t. Behead, truncate (p.p., of spiral shell without apex). So *décoll'-ATION* n. [L DE(*collare* f. *collum* neck, -ATE¹)]

décolletage (dâkôl'tahzh), n. (Exposure of neck and shoulders by) low-cut neck of bodice. [F (DE-, *collet* collar of dress)]

décolleté (dâkôl'tâ), a. (fem. -ée). Low-necked (of dress); wearing low-necked dress. [F]

décol'o(u)riz'e (-küler-), v.t. Deprive of colour. Hence ~'ATION, ~ER²(2), nn. [DE-, COLOUR¹, -IZE³]

déc'ompl'èx, a. Doubly complex, having complex parts. [DE-]

décompôse' (-z), v.t. & i. Separate into its elements (substance, light, etc.); analyse (thought, motive); rot (t. & i.). Hence ~'ABLE a., ~ER²(2), *décompôsi'-TION*, nn., (-z). [f. F *décomposer* (DE-, COMPOSE)]

décôm'posite (-z), a. & n. (Substance, word, etc.) made by compounding a compound with another element, further composite. [f. LL *decompositus* transl. of Gk *parasynthetos* used of words derived from compounds; see DE-]

déc'ompound, a. & n. — DECOMPOSITE (esp. in Bot.). [DE-]

décompress', v.t. Relieve pressure on (underwater or other worker) by means of an air-lock. Hence *décompr'ession* (-shn) n., ~OR² n., contrivance for relieving pressure in motor engine. [DE-]

décon'sécrate, v.t. Secularize. [DE-]

décontâm'inâte, v.t. Remove contamination from (esp. areas, clothes, etc., affected by poison-gas). Hence ~'ATION n. [DE-]

décontrôl', v.t. (-ll-), & n. Release from (esp. war-time) control by Government etc. [DE-]

décor (dêkôr'), n. All that makes up the appearance of a room or the stage. [F]

déc'orate, v.t. Furnish with adornments (esp. church with flowers etc.); serve as adornment to; invest with order, medal, etc.; ~ed as adj. or n., (of third English style of architecture. Hence ~IVE a. [f. L *decorare* (*decus* -oris beauty), -ATE¹])

décora'tion, n. In vbl senses; esp.: (pl.) flags, wreaths, etc., put up on occasion of public rejoicing; medal, star, etc., worn as honour. [f. L *decoratio* (prec., -ATION)]

déc'orâtor, n. In vbl senses; esp., tradesman who papers, paints, etc., houses. [-OR²]

décôr'ous (or dêk'o-), a. Not violating good taste or propriety, dignified and decent. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *decorus* (*decor* f. *decere* be fit, -OR¹) + -OUS]

décôr'um, n. Seemliness, propriety, etiquette; particular usage required by politeness or decency. [L, neut. adj. as prec.]

décôy', n., & v.t. (Entice, esp. by help of trained bird etc., into) pond with narrow netted arms into which wild duck may be tempted and caught; allure into, out of, away, etc., ensnare; bird etc. trained to entice others; (also ~-duck) swindler's confederate, tempter; bait, enticement. [earlier *coy* f. Du. *kooi* f. WG *cavia* f. L *cavea* CAGE¹; de- unexplained (*duck-coy* n. & v. is early, but not earliest, E form)]

décrease', v.i. & t., *déc'rease*, n. 1. Lessen, diminish, (i. & t.); hence *décreas'ingly*² adv. 2. Diminution, lessening. [vb f. OF *descreiss-* part. st., n. f. OF *descreis-* vb st., of *descretre* f. (Rom. dia-) L DE(*creare* cret- grow)]

decree', n., & v.t. 1. Ordinance or edict set forth by authority; decision (in other courts called *judgement*) in Admiralty cases, (in Divorce cases) order declaring nullity or dissolution or giving judicial separation (|| ~ *nisi*, order for divorce unless cause to the contrary is shown within a period, orig. six months, later six weeks); will, as shown by result, of God, Providence, Nature, etc. 2. v.t. Ordain by ~. [f. OF *decrê* f. L DE(*creatum* neut. p.p. of *cernere* sift) thing decided]

déc'rément, n. Decrease, amount lost by diminution or waste, (esp. as scientific term opp. INCREMENT). [f. L *decrementum* (DECREASE, -MENT)]

déc'rép'it, a. Wasted, worn out, enfeebled with age & infirmities, (of persons or institutions). So **déc'rép'itude n.** [f. F *décépité* f. L *decrepitus* p.p. of *crepare* creak]

déc'rép'itâte, v.t. & i. Calcine (mineral or salt) till it ceases to crackle in fire; crackle under heat. Hence **~A'TION n.** [DE-, L *crepitare* frequent. of *crepare* creak]

decre'scén'dō (dāk'rēsh-). = DIMINUENDO. [It.]

déc'rés'cent, a. Waning, decreasing, (usu. of moon). [f. L *decrescens* (DECREASE, -ENT)]

déc'rét'al, n. Papal decree; (pl.) collection of these, forming part of canon law. [f. F *décétal* f. L *decretalis* (letter) of DECREE, -AL]

décry', v.t. Disparage, cry down. [f. F *décrier* (DE-, CRY²)]

déc'ūman, a. Especially large or powerful (usu. of wave lit. or fig.). [f. L *decum*, *decimanus*, used of main gate of camp where tenth cohort was quartered (*decimus* tenth, -AN)]

décūm'bent, a. (bot. & zool.). Lying along ground or body (of plant, shoot, bristles). [f. L *decumbere* lie, -BENT]

déc'uple, a., n., & v.t. & i. Tenfold (amount); (vb) multiply by ten. [F (*dé-*), f. L *decuplus* (decem ten, -plus cf. *duplus* DOUBLE)]

décūss'ate, a. (-at), & v.t. & i. (-ät). 1. X-shaped, intersecting; (Bot.) with pairs of opposite shoots, each at right angles to pair below; (Rhet.) marked by chiasmus. 2. vb. Arrange in these ways; intersect; hence **décūssa'TION n.** [f. L *decussare* (*decussis* number ten, X), -ATE², ³]

dedans (dedahñ'), n. (tennis). Open gallery at end of service-side of a court; (transf., the ~) spectators watching a tennis match. [F, = inside]

déd'icâ'te, v.t. Devote with solemn rites (to God or to sacred use; of church etc. esp. without certain forms necessary for legally consecrating ground or buildings); give up (to special purpose); inscribe (book etc.) to patron or friend. So **~OR², ~EE', nn., ~IVE, ~ORY, aa.** [f. L *dedicare* declare), -ATE²]

dédicâ'tion, n. In vbl senses; also, dedicatory inscription on building etc. or in book. [f. OF *dedication* f. L *dedicationem* (prec., -ION)]

dédüc'e', v.t. Bring down (annals etc.) from or to a time; trace descent of (person etc.) from; infer, draw as conclusion, from. So **~IBLE a.** [f. L *deducere* duct-lead)]

dédüct', v.t. Take away, put aside, (amount, portion, etc., *subtract* being now

used of numbers) from (or abs.). [f. L *deduct*-see prec.]

dédüc'tion, n. Deducing; amount deducted; deducing, inference from general to particular, *a priori* reasoning, (cf. INDUCTION); thing deduced. [f. L *deductio* (DEDUCE, -ION)]

dédüc'tive, a. Of, reasoning by, deduction, *a priori*. Hence **~LY² (-vl-) adv.** [f. L *deductivus* (DEDUCE, -IVE)]

deed, n. Letter D; D-shaped harness-ring. deed, n. Thing done intentionally; brave, skilful, or conspicuous act; actual fact, performance, (in word & ~; in & not in name, whence INDEED; in very ~); (Law) written or printed instrument effecting legal disposition & sealed & delivered by disposing party (in practice now always signed also but not always delivered); ~poll, deed made & executed by one party only (paper polled or cut even, not indented). Hence **~LESS a.** [OE *dæd* cf. Du. *daad*, G. *tat*, cogn. w. DO¹]

deem, v.t. Believe, consider, judge, count, (abs. in parenthesis, as *it was, I ~ed, time to go*; ~ *highly* of, have high opinion of; ~ *it one's duty*; *was ~ed sufficient, to suffice*; ~ed that this would do). [OE *dēman* com.-Teut. f. OTeut. *dōmjan* f. *dōmoz* DOOM]

deem'ster, n. One of two justices of Isle of Man. [prec., -STER]

deep¹, a. 1. Going far down from top (~ hole, water, draught, drink, drinker, gaming, gamester; go (in) off the ~ END¹; in ~ waters, plunged in grief etc.); going far in from surface or edge (~ wound, shelf, border; ~ mourning, expressed by wide crape etc.; ~ plunge; ~ reader, thinker). 2. Hard to fathom, profound, not superficial, penetrating, (~ dissimulation; a ~ one, al., cunning or secretive; the ~er causes; ~ learning, study; ~ influence; ~ insight). 3. Heartfelt, absorbing, absorbed, (~ feelings, interest, curses; ~ in a pursuit, dead to everything else). 4. Intense, vivid, extreme, heinous, (~ disgrace, sleep, night, sin, colour; ~ red etc.). 5. Going or placed (so) far down, back, or in (water 8 ft ~; ankle ~ in mud; drawn up six ~; ship ~ in the water, hands ~ in pockets; ~ in debt; ~ in the human heart, fully versed in it). 6. Brought from far down (~ sigh); not shrill, low-pitched, full-toned, (note, bell, voice; ~mouthed, of dog). Hence **~EN² v.t. & i., ~LY² adv., ~MOST a., (rare, for depth) ~NESS n.** [OE *dīop*, *dēop*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *diep*, G. *tief*, cogn. w. DIP]

deep², n. The ~ (post.), the sea; (Cricket, the ~) position of fieldmen stationed behind the bowler at or near boundary (the ~ field); (usu. pl.) deep part(s) of the sea; abyss, pit, cavity; mysterious region of thought or feeling. [as prec. (neut. adj. in OE)]

deep¹, adv. Deeply, far in, (*read ~ into the night; still waters run ~*, real feeling or knowledge not showy); esp. in comb. as *~drawn* (of sighs), *~laid* (of scheme, secret & elaborate), *~rooted* (esp. of prejudice), *~seated* (of emotion or disease). [OE *dlōpe*, *dēope*, (DEEP¹)]

deep²**ing**, n. Section, one fathom deep, of fishing-net. [-ING¹]

deer, n. (collect. sing. usu. for pl.). Kinds of ruminant quadruped with deciduous branching horns (*small ~*, insignificant animals or things collectively, cf. *King Lear* III iv. 144); *~hound*, large rough greyhound; *~forest*, wild land reserved for stalking *~*; *~lick*, spring or damp spot impregnated with salt etc. where *~* come to lick; *~neck*, horse's thin neck; || *~s-foot*, a fine grass; *~skin*, (made of) *~s* skin; *~stalker*, sportsman stalking *~*, cloth cap peaked before and behind. [OE *dior*, *dēor*, beast, quadruped, com. Teut. cf. Du. *dier*, G. *tier*]

déface¹, v.t. Mar appearance or beauty of, disfigure; discredit; make illegible. Hence *~ABLE* (-sə) a., *~MENT* (-sm-) n. [f. obs. F *defacer* (DE-, FACE¹)]

dē fāc' tō, a. & adv. In fact, whether by right (DE JURE) or not (*king ~*, *the ~ king*). [L]

dēfalcāte, v.i. Commit defalcations, misappropriate property in one's charge. So *~OR*¹ a. n. [f. med. L *defalcare* *lop f. L falx -cis scythe*, -ATE¹]

dēfalcā'tio, n. Defection, shortcoming; fraudulent deficiency of money owing to breach of trust, misappropriation, amount misappropriated. [f. med. L *defalcatio* (prec., -ATION)]

dēfāme¹, v.t. Attack the good fame of, speak ill of. So **dēfama'tion** n., **dēfām'a'tory** a. [f. OF *diffamer* f. L *diffamare* spread abroad (DIS-, fama report), see DE-; there are also LL *defamis*, -atus, infamous]

dēfault¹, n. Want, absence, (*in ~ of*, if or since such a thing is wanting); failure to act or appear, neglect, (*make ~*; *judgement by ~*, given for plaintiff on defendant's failure to plead); failure to pay, defaulting. [f. OF *default* f. *dēfaillir* see foll. & cf. FAULT]

dēfault², v.i. & t. 1. Make, be guilty of, default; fail to appear in court; not meet money calls, break; hence *~ER*¹ n., (also Mil.) soldier guilty of military offence (*~er sheet*, record of such offences, now *conduct sheet*). 2. Declare (party) in default & give judgement against him. [f. OF *dēfaillir* (3 sing. *default*) f. DE-, L *fallere* deceive]

dēfēas'ance (-fēs-), n. Rendering null & void. [f. OF *defesance* f. *desfaire* undo (DE-, L *facere* do), -ANCE]

dēfēas'ible (-fēs-), a. Capable of annul-

ment, liable to forfeiture. Hence *~BL'ITY* n. [as prec., -IBLE]

dēfēat¹, v.t., & n. Frustrate, frustrate; (Law) annulment; (arch.) disappoint of; overthrow (v. & n.) in contest, esp. in battle. [n. prob. f. vb, which is f. OF *desfait* p.p. of *desfaire* see DEFESANCE]

dēfēat'ism, n. Conduct tending to bring about acceptance of defeat, esp. by action on civilian opinion. So *~IST* n. & a. [f. F *défaitisme* (as prec., -ISM)]

dēfēa'ture, v.t. Make unrecognizable. [f. obs. noun f. OF *desfaiture* (prec., -URE)]

dēf'écāte, v.t. Clear of dregs, refine, purify, (lit. & fig.); get rid of (dregs; excrement, sin). Hence *~A'TION*, *~ātor*²(2), nn. [f. L *defecare* f. *faex -cis dregs*, -ATE¹]

dēfēct¹, n. Lack of something essential to completeness; shortcoming, failing, (*has the ~s of his qualities*, the particular ones that often accompany his particular virtues); blemish; amount by which thing falls short. [f. L *defectus* n. f. DE(ficere) *fect* = *facere* do] desert, fall]

dēfēc'tion, n. Falling away from allegiance to leader, party, religion, or duty; desertion, apostasy. [f. L *defectio* (prec., -ION)]

dēfēc'tive, a. Having defect(s), incomplete, faulty, wanting or deficient (*in some respect*); (Gram.) not having all the usual inflexions. Hence *~LY*² (-vī-) adv., *~NESS* (-vn-) n. [f. F *défectif* f. L *defectivus* as prec., -IVE]

|| **dēfēnce**, ***dēfēnsē**, n. Defending from, resistance against, attack (cf. OFFENCE; *best ~ is offence*, advantage goes with the initiative; in cricket, guarding of one's wicket, also batting as opposed to bowling; *science or art of ~*, boxing or fencing); (Mil., pl.) fortifications (also *line of ~*, series of fortified posts); thing that protects; justification, vindication, speech or writing used to this end; (Law) accused party's denial, pleading, & proceedings, counsel for the *~*; || *D~ of the Realm Act* (abbr. D.O.R.A., loc. DOR'a), Act of August, 1914, providing Government with wide powers during war. Hence *~LESS* (-sl-) a., *~LESSLY*² adv., *~lessness* n. [f. OF *defens* f. L *defensum* neut., thing forbidden, & OF *defense* f. L *defensa* fem. used as noun cf. -ADE(1), both p.p. see foll.]

dēfēnd¹, v.t. & i. Forbid, avert, (arch.; still in *God ~*); ward off attack from, keep safe, protect (*against, from*); uphold by argument, vindicate, speak or write in favour of; (Law) make defence in court (*~ oneself*, conduct one's own defence), (of counsel) appear for defendant, conduct defence of. [f. OF *defendre* f. L *defendere* -fens- FEND]

dēfēn'dant, n. Person sued in law-suit (cf. *plaintiff*); (attrib.) holding this

relation (*the ~ company*). [f. F *défendant* part. (prec., -ANT)]

défen' der, n. One who defends; *D~ of the Faith*, title of Eng. Sovereigns from Henry VIII, who received it from Pope for writing against Luther; (Sport) holder of championship etc. defending the title (opp. *challenger*). [f. OF *defendeur* f. Rom. [†]*defenditorem* (DEFEND, -OR²)]

defense. See DEFENCE.

défen'sible, a. Easily defended (in war or argument); justifiable. Hence ~*BILITY* n., ~*ble*² adv. [f. L *defensibilis* (DEFEND, -IBLE)]

défen'sive, a. & n. 1. Serving, used, done, for defence, protective, not aggressive; hence ~*ly*² (-*vi*-) adv. 2. n. State or position of defence (esp. *be, stand, act, on the ~*). [f. F *défensif* f. med. L *defensivus* (DEFEND, -IVE)]

défer'¹, v.t. & i. (-*rr*-). Put off, postpone, (~*red* ANNUITY; ~*red* pay, part of soldier's pay formerly held over to be paid at discharge or death; ~*red* SHARE¹s); procrastinate, be dilatory. Hence ~*MENT* n. [ME *differen* f. OF *differer* f. L *differe* (ferre carry)]

défer'², v.i. (-*rr*-). Submit or make concessions in opinion or action to (person). [f. F *déferer* f. L *deferre* bring)]

déférence, n. Compliance with advice etc. of one superior in wisdom or position (*pay* etc. ~ *to*); respect, manifestation of desire to comply, courteous regard, (*in ~ to*, out of respect for authority of). So **déferen'tial** (-*shl*) a., **déferen'tial^{ly}** (-*shal*-) adv. [f. F *déférence* (prec., -ENCE)]

déferent, a. (Physiol.) conveying to a destination (of ducts etc.); (rare for) differential. [first sense (f. F or direct) f. L *deferens* part. of *deferre* carry); second f. DEFER¹, -ENT]

défi'ance, n. Challenge to fight or maintain cause, assertion, etc.; open disobedience, setting at naught, (*bid ~ to, set at ~, in ~ of*). [OF (DEFY, -ANCE)]

défi'ant, a. Openly disobedient; rejecting advances, suspicious and reserved. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. F *défiant* (DEFY, -ANT)]

défi'ciency (-*shn*-), n. Being deficient; want, lack; thing wanting; amount by which thing, esp. revenue, falls short; ~ *diseases* (caused by lack of some essential element in the diet). [f. LL *deficientia* (*deficere* see DEFECT, -ENCY)]

défi'cient (-*shn*-), a. Incomplete, defective, wanting in specified quality; insufficient in quantity, force, etc.; half-witted. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. L *deficiens* (*deficere* see DEFECT, -ENT)]

défi'cit, n. Amount by which esp. sum of money is too small; excess of liabilities over assets. [f. F *déficit* f. L *deficit* 3 sing. pres. of *deficere* see DEFECT]

dé fid'é, pred. a. Required to be held as article of faith. [L]

défi'er, n. One who defies. [DEFY, -ER¹]
défilade', v.t., & n. Secure (fortification) against enfilading fire; (n.) this precaution or arrangement (also *defilement*). [n. f. vb, f. F *défiler* unthread, -ADE]

défile'¹, v.i., **défilé**, n. 1. March by files, in file. 2. n. Narrow way through which troops can only march so, gorge. [f. F *défiler* & *défilé* p.p. (DE-, file FILE²)]

défile'², v.t. Make dirty, befoul; pollute, corrupt; desecrate, profane; make ceremonially unclean. Hence ~*MENT* (-*lm*-) n. (see DEFILADE). [earlier *defoul* f. OF *defouler* trample (DE-, L *fullo* fuller, f. treading of cloth in fulling), altered on anal. of E vbs *befoul* & obs. *besile* in same sense f. OE *fyran* f. *fū* FOU]

défin'e, v.t. Settle limits of; make clear, esp. in outline (*well-~ed image*; ~ *one's position*, state it precisely); set forth essence of, declare exact meaning of, (also abs., frame definitions); (of properties) make up total character of. Hence ~*ABLE* a. [f. OF *definere* (now displaced by correct *définir*, which would have given E *definish*) f. L *definire* f. *finis* end)]

défin'ite, a. With exact limits; determinate, distinct, precise, not vague; (Gram.) ~ *inflections*, those of German and early E adj. used after ~ article & similar wds; ~ *article*, the; *past* or *preterite* ~, simple past tense in French, as *il vint* he came. Hence ~*ly*² (-*ti*-) adv. (also, in loose colloq. use, yes, certainly), ~*NESS* (-*tn*-) n. [f. L *definitus* p.p. see prec.]

défin'ition, n. Stating the precise nature of a thing or meaning of a word; form of words in which this is done; making or being distinct, degree of distinctness, in outline (esp. of image given by lens or shown in photograph). [OF (-*cion*), f. L *definitio* f. *finire* f. *finis* end, -ION)]

défin'itive, a. Decisive, unconditional, final, (of answer, treaty, verdict, etc.). Hence ~*ly*² (-*vi*-) adv. [f. OF *definitif* f. L *definitivus* (prec., -IVE)]

déflagrâte, v.t. & i. Burn away with rapid flame. Hence ~*ATION*, ~*ATOR*⁽²⁾, nn. [f. L *deflagrare* blaze, -ATE²]

déflâte, v.t. Let inflating air etc. out of (pneumatic tire etc.); (Finance) reduce the inflation of (State's currency), (abs.) adopt this policy. Hence **déflâ'tion** n. [f. L *deflare* blow away (w. changed sense), -ATE²]

défléct', v.t. & i. Bend aside or (rarely) down, (make) deviate (*from*). Hence ~*ATOR*⁽²⁾ n. [f. L *deflectere* flex- bend)]

déflé'xion (-*kshn*), ~*éc'tion*, n. Lateral or downward bend, deviation, (lit. & fig.; in Electr. & Magn., of needle from its zero). [f. L *deflex-* (prec., -ION)]

déflorâ'tion, n. Deflowering. [OF (-*cion*) f. L *deflorationem* (foli., -ATION)]

déflow'er, v.t. Deprive of virginity, ravish; ravage, spoil; strip of flowers. [f. OF *desflorer* f. L *desflorare* (flos floris flower)]

défluent (-lōb-), a. & n. Down-flowing (part; e.g. lower end of glacier). [f. L *defluere* flow, -ENT]

déforést, v.t. = DISFOREST. [f. OF *des-*

déform', v.t. Make ugly, deface; put out of shape, mis-shape, (esp. in p.p. of person with mis-shape body or limb). [f. OF *deformare* f. L *deformare* f. *forma* shape]

déformā'tion, n. Disfigurement; change for the worse (esp. as opponent's name for Reformation); perverted form of word (*dang* for *damn* etc.); (Physics) changed shape of. [f. L *deformatio* (prec., -ATION)]

déform'ity, n. Being deformed, ugliness, disfigurement, (physical or moral); a malformation esp. of body or limb. [f. OF *deformitas* f. L *deformitas* f. *forma* shape, -TY]

défraud', v.t. Cheat (person, person of, or abs.). [f. OF *defraudare* (DE-, L *fraudare* f. *fraus* -dis FRAUD)]

défray', v.t. Settle, discharge by payment, (cost, expense). Hence ~ABLE a., ~AI(2) n. [f. F *défrayer* (DE-, *fray* sing. of *fray* expenses perh. = LL *fredum* fine f. OHG *fridu*, G *friede*, peace)]

défröck', v.t. = UNFROCK.

déft, a. Dextrous, skilful, handling things neatly. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [var. of DAPT]

défunct', a. Dead (*the* ~, way of mentioning a particular dead person), no longer existing. [f. L *defunctus* p.p. of *fungi* perform] dead]

défy', v.t. Challenge to combat or competition (arch. or joc.); challenge to do or prove something; resist openly, set at naught; (of things) present insuperable obstacles to (*defies definition, capture, attack*, etc.). [f. OF *desfer* f. Rom. ⁴DIS- (*fidare* trust f. *fidus* faithful)]

dégagé (see Ap.), a. (fem. -ée). Easy, unconstrained. [F]

dégauss' (-gows), v.t. Neutralize the magnetization of (ship etc.) with an encircling current-carrying conductor (~ing belt), esp. as precaution against magnetic mines. [DE, GAUSS]

dégén'erate', a. & n. 1. Having lost qualities proper to race, sunk from former excellence; (Biol.) having reverted to lower type; hence *dégén'eraçy* n. 2. n. ~ person or animal. [f. L p.p. see foll., -ATE²]

dégén'érate', v.i. Become degenerate (see prec.). [f. L *degenerare*, f. DE(*gener* f. *genus* -eris race) ignoble, -ATE²]

dégénéra'tion, n. Becoming degenerate; (Path.) morbid disintegration of tissue or change in its structure (esp. fatty ~ of heart). [f. F *dégénération* (prec., -ION)]

dégluti'tion (-glō-), n. Swallowing. [f. F *déglutition* f. L *deglutire* swallow, -ION]

dégrāde', v.t. & i. Reduce to lower rank; depose as punishment; lower in estimation, debase morally, whence *dégrād'ing'* a.; reduce (Biol.) to lower organic type, (Physics) to less convertible form (energy), (Geol.) to disint (rocks etc.); degenerate; || (Camb. Univ.) put off entering for honours examination for a year beyond regular time. So *dégrada'tion* n. [f. OF *degrader* f. LL *degradare* (gradus step)]

dégré', n. 1. Step (as) of staircase (arch.; perh. so in 2 Kings XX. 9, & in Psalm-titled *Song of D-s*); thing placed like step in series, tier, row; stage in ascending or descending scale or process (*by* ~s, gradually; *fine* by ~s & *beautifully less*, see Prior, *Henry & Emma*, 431, often misquoted *small* by etc.); step in direct genealogical descent (*prohibited* ~s, number of these too low to allow of marriage, i.e. first, second, & third, reckoning from one party up to common ancestor & down to the other). 2. Social or official rank; relative condition (*each good in its* ~); stage in intensity or amount (*to a high or the last* ~, also colloq. in latter sense *to a* ~; in law, *principal in the first, second, ~*). 3. Academic rank conferred as guarantee of proficiency, or (*honorary* ~) on distinguished person; masonic rank. 4. (Gram.) stage (POSITIVE, COMPARATIVE, SUPERLATIVE) in comparison of adj. & adv. 5. (Geom. etc.) unit of angular or circular arc measurement, 1/90 of right angle or 1/360 of circumference (symbol °, as 45°; ~ of LATITUDE, about 69 miles); (Therm.) unit of temperature in any scale. 6. *Third* ~, severe and protracted examination of accused person by the police to extract information or confession (also attrib.). Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *degre* f. LL *de(gradus)step*]

dégré'ssion (-shn), n. A going down; (esp.) decrease in the rate of taxation on sums below a certain limit. [f. L *degressus* p.p. of *degre* descend]

de haut en bas (see Ap.), adv. In a condescending or superior manner. [F]

déhis(ce)'(-le), v.i. Gape, burst open, (esp. in Bot. of seed-vessels, & in Physiol.). So ~CENCE n., ~CENT a. [f. L *de(hiscere)* incept. of *hiare* gape]

déhört'ative, a. & n. Dissuasive; thing meant to dissuade. [f. L *de(hortativus)* f. *hortari* exhort, -IVE]

déhūm'anize, v.t. Divest of human characteristics. [DE-]

déhūd'rāte, v.t. (chem.). Deprive (substance) of water or its elements. [DE-, Gk *hūdōr* in comb. *hūdōr* water, -ATE²]

déhyp'notize, v.t. Rouse, release, from hypnotic state. [DE-]

dé-icer, n. Composition applied to aircraft's wings to prevent formation of ice,

or any mechanical or electrical device for the same purpose. So **dē-ice'** v.t., free (aircraft) from ice. [DE-]

dē'icidē, n. Killer, killing, of a God. [f. L *deus* god, -i-, -IDE]

deic'tic (dik-), a. (philol., gram.). Pointing, demonstrative. [f. Gk *deiktikos* (*deiktos* f. *deiknumi* show, -IC)]

dē'iform, a. Godlike in form or nature. [f. med. L *deiformis* (*deus* god, -i-, -FORM)]

dē'ify, v.t. Make a god of; make godlike; regard as a god, worship. Hence **dēi-fica'tion** n. [f. F *déifier* f. L *deificare* (*deus* god, -FY)]

deign (dān), v.t. Think fit, condescend, to do; condescend to give (answer etc.). [f. OF *degnier* f. L *dignare* (usu. -i) deem worthy]

dē'i grā'tiā (-shi-), adv. By God's grace. [L]

dē'in'tegrō, adv. Afresh. [L]

dē'ism, **dē'ist**, n. Belief, believer, in the existence of a god without accepting revelation; (adherent of) natural religion. Hence **dēis'tic**(al) aa. [f. F *déisme*, *déiste*, f. L *deus* god + -ISM(3), -IST(2)]

dē'ity, n. Divine status, quality, or nature; a god; the D~, the Creator, God. [f. F *déité* f. L *deitatem* (*deus* god, -TY)]

dējēct', v.t. Dispirit, depress (usu. in p.p.). Hence ~**ēdly**³ adv. [f. L *de(j)icere* -ject- = *jacere* throw]

dējēc'ta, n. pl. Person's or animal's excrements. [L, neut. pl. p.p. as prec.]

dējēc'tion, n. Downcast state, low spirits; (Med.) evacuation of bowels, excrement. [OF, f. L *dejectionem* (prec., ION)]

dējeuner (dē'zhonā), n. Breakfast; lunch, esp. of ceremonial kind. [F]

dē jure (joor'i), a. & adv. Rightful, by right, (king etc. ~; the ~ king; cf. DE FACTO). [L]

dēkk'ō, n. (sl.). A look (*let's have a ~*). [Hind. *dekho* imp. of *dekhna* look]

délaine', n. Light dress-fabric. [f. F (*mousseline*) *de laine* woollen (muslin)]

délâte, v.t. Inform against, impeach, (person); report (offence). So **délā'tion**, **délāt'or**³, nn. [f. L *DE(lat-* p.p. st. of *ferre* carry)]

délây', v.t. & i., & n. Postpone(ment), defer(ring), put(ting) off, loiter(ing), be(ing) tardy, wait; hinder, hindrance. [f. n. f. F *délai* f. OF *delaier* perh. irreg. f. L *dilatare* frequent. of *DN(ferre* lat-carry) defer]

dēl cred'ere (-ād-), a., adv., & n. (commerce.). Under, charge made for, selling agent's guarantee that buyer is solvent. [It.]

dēl'ē, printing direction (abbr. *Δ*). Delete indicated letter, word, or passage (written in margin). [L, imperat. of *dēlere* DELETE]

dēl'ēc'table, a. Delightful, pleasant, (arch. exc. in irony). [OF, f. L *delectabilis*

f. *DE(lectare* frequent. of *lacere* snare) delight]

dēl'ēctā'tion, n. Enjoyment (usu. for one's ~). [OF (prec., -ATION)]

dēl'ēc'tus, n. School reading-book of selected passages. [L, n. f. *DE(ligere* lect- = *legere* choose)]

dēl'égac'y, n. System of delegating; appointment as delegate; body of delegates. [foll., -ACY]

dēl'égatē¹, n. Deputy, commissioner; elected representative sent to conference. [f. OF *delegat* f. L *delegatus* (foll., -ATE³)]

dēl'égātē², v.t. Depute (person), send as representative; commit (authority etc.) to or to agent. [f. L *DE(legare* depute), -ATE³]

dēl'égā'tion, n. Entrusting of authority to deputy; body of delegates (*Congress representatives of a single State; Austro-Hungary, the D~s (Hist.), two bodies appointed by Austrian & Hungarian Parliaments to deal jointly with Imperial questions). [f. L *DE(legatio* LEGATION)]

dēl'ētē, v.t. Strike out, obliterate, (letter, word, passage; also fig.). So **dēl'ēt'ion** n. [f. L *DE(lēre* -let- cf. *linere* smear)]

dēl'ētēr'ious, a. Noxious physically or morally, injurious. Hence ~**ly**³ adv. [f. Gk *dēlētrios* f. *dēlētrō* destroyer (*dēleōmai* injure) + -OUS]

dēlf(t), n. Glazed earthenware made at Delft (earlier *Delf*) in Holland. [place]

dēlib'erate¹, a. Intentional; considered, not impulsive; slow in deciding, cautious; leisurely, not hurried, (of movement etc.). Hence ~**ly**³ (-tl-) adv., ~**NESS** (-tn-) n. [f. L *deliberatus* (foll., -ATE³)]

dēlib'erate², v.i. & t. Consider, think carefully, (intr., or with indirect question *how it might be done, what to do*); take counsel, consult, hold debate. [f. L *DE(liberare* = *librare* weigh f. *libra* balance), -ATE³]

dēlib'erā'tion, n. Weighing in mind, careful consideration; discussion of reasons for & against, debate; care, avoidance of precipitancy; slowness of movement. [f. F *délibération* f. L *deliberationem* (prec., -ATION)]

dēlib'erative, a. Of, appointed for purpose of, deliberation or debate (usu. ~ *assembly* or *functions*). Hence ~**ly**³ (-vl-) adv. [f. L *deliberativus* (*DELIBERATE*³, -IVS)]

dēl'icac'y, n. Fineness of texture, graceful slightness, tender beauty; weakness, susceptibility to disease or injury, need of care, discretion, or skill; nicety of perception, sensitiveness, (of persons, senses, or instruments); consideration for others' feelings; shrinking from, avoidance of, the immodest or offensive; choice kind of food, dainty; a nicety. [foll., -ACY]

dēl'icac'e, a. Delightful (poet.); palatable, dainty, (of food); sheltered, luxurious,

effeminate, (~ *living, nurture, upbringing*); fine of texture, soft, slender, slight; of exquisite quality or workmanship; subdued (of colour); subtle, hard to appreciate; easily injured, liable to illness; requiring nice handling, critical, ticklish; subtly sensitive (of persons or instruments); deft (*a ~ touch*); avoiding the offensive or immodest; considerate (esp. of actions). Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *delicatus* cogn. or associated w. *delicatus* delight, see DELICIOUS]

***delicatess'en**, n. pl. (Shop selling) delicacies or relishes for the table. [G *delikatessen* f. F *délicatesse*]

dél'ic'ious (-shus), a. Highly delightful, esp. to taste, smell, or the sense of humour. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF, f. LL *deliciosus* f. L *deliciæ* delight f. DE(*licere* = *lacere* allure), -OSE¹]

dél'ict', n. Violation of law, offence, (*in flagrant* ~, = IN FLAGRANTE DELICTO). [f. L *delictum* neut. p.p. of DE(*linquere* leave) come short]

dél'ight' (-ib), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Please highly (*shall be ~ed to*, in accepting invitation; *was ~ed with or at the result*); take, find, great pleasure in (so in p.p., *the books ~ed in by the many*), be inclined and accustomed to do. 2. n. High pleasure, thing that causes it; hence ~FUL a., ~JULY² adv., ~SOME a. (literary), (-it-). [ME *deliten* f. OF *delitier* f. L *delectare* see DELECTABLE, now mis-spelt after *light*]

Dél'il'ah (-la), Da-, n. Temptress, false & wily woman. [Judges xvi]

dél'im'it(ā)te, vv.t. Determine limits or territorial boundary of. So **dél'im'it-ā'tion** n. [-it thr. F *dél'imiter*, -itāte direct, f. L DE(*limitare* f. *limes* -itis boundary), -ATE²]

dél'in'é(ā)te, v.t. Show by drawing or description, portray. So ~A'tion, ~ātor², nn. [f. L DE(*lineare* f. *linea* line), -ATE²]

dél'inedu'tt, -vēr'unt, L vb sing. & pl. (usu. abbr. *del.*). So-&-so drew this. [f. L as prec.]

dél'in'quency, n. Neglect of duty; guilt; a sin of omission; misdeed. [f. L *delinquens* f. *delinquens* part. (DELICT, -ENCY)]

dél'in'quent, a. & n. 1. Defaulting, guilty. 2. n. Offender. [f. L *delinquens* (prec. -ENT)]

dél'iqués'ce', v.i. Become liquid, melt, (fig.) melt away. So ~CENT a., ~CENON n. [f. L DE(*liquescere* incept. of *liquere* be liquid)]

dél'ir'ious, a. Affected with delirium, temporarily or apparently mad, raving; wildly excited, ecstatic; betraying delirium or ecstasy. Hence ~LY² adv. (as foll. +OUS)

dél'ir'ium, n. Disordered state of mind with incoherent speech, hallucinations,

& frenzied excitement; great excitement, ecstasy; ~ *trēm'ens* (abbr. *d.t.*), special form of ~ with terrifying delusions to which heavy drinkers are liable. [L, f. *delirare* (*lira* furrow)]

dél'itēs'cent, a., **dél'itēs'cence**, n. Latent (state). [f. L DE(*litescere* incept. of *littere* = *latere* lie hid), -ENT, -ENCE]

déliv'er, v.t. Rescue, save, set free from; disburden (woman in parturition) of child (usu. pass.; also fig. *was ~ed of a sonnet*); unburden oneself (of esp. a long-suppressed opinion etc.) in discourse; give up or over, abandon, resign, hand on to another; distribute (letters, parcels ordered goods) to addressee or purchaser (~ *the goods*, fig., carry out one's part of agreement); present, render, (account); (Law) hand over formally (esp. sealed deed to grantee, so *seal & ~*); launch, aim, (blow, ball, attack; ~ *battle*, accept opportunity of engaging); recite (*well-~ed sermon*). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *délivrer* f. LL *déliberare* (DE-, L *liberare* f. *liber* free)]

déliv'erance, n. Rescue; emphatically or formally delivered opinion, (in jurors' oath) verdict. [f. OF *delivrance* (prec., -ANCE)]

déliv'erer, n. In vbl senses; esp., saviour, rescuer. [f. OF *delivrer* nom. of *delivreur* f. LL *déliberatorem* (DELIVER, -OR²)]

déliv'ery, n. Childbirth; surrender of; delivering of letters etc., a periodical performance of this (*the first, the two-o'clock, ~*); (Law) formal handing over of property, transfer of deed (formerly essential for validity) to grantee or third party; sending forth of missile, esp. of cricket-ball in bowling, action shown in doing this (*a good, high, ~*); uttering of speech etc. (*its ~ took two hours*), manner of doing this (*a telling ~*). [AF *delivree* fem. part. used as n. of F *délivrer* DELIVER, -Y⁴]

dél'l, n. Small hollow or valley usu. with tree-clad sides. [cf. Du. *del*, G *telle*, DALE]

Dél'l'a Crūs'can, a. & n. (Member) of the Florentine Academy della Crusca, a society for purifying the Italian language, which issued an authoritative dictionary; following artificial literary methods; member of a late 18th-c. artificial English school of poetry. [f. It. (*Accademia*) della Crusca (Academy) of the bran (i.e. sifting) + AN]

dél'louse', v.t. Rid of lice, & fig. of booby-traps, mines, etc. [DE-]

Dél'phian, **Dél'phic**, aa. (As) of the oracle of Delphi; obscure, ambiguous. [-ic f. L f. Gk *Delphikos*, -ian f. L f. Gk *Delphoi* + IAN]

Dél'phin, a. The ~ classics or text, in an edition prepared for the Dauphin, son of

Louis XIV. [L f. Gk. = dolphin; see DAUPHIN]

dél'phinine, n. (chem.). A poisonous alkaloid used medically. [f. bot. L f. Gk *delphinion* (dim. of *delphin* dolphin) larkspur]

délphin'ium, n. (Kinds of) ranunculaceous plant, including the larkspur. [as prec.]

dél'phinoid, n. & a. (Member) of the family including dolphins, porpoises, grampuses, etc. [f. Gk *delphin* dolphin, -OID]

dél'ta, n. Letter D (Δ, δ) of Greek alphabet (capital an equilateral triangle); triangular alluvial tract at mouth of river enclosed or traversed by its diverging branches, esp. that of Nile, whence *dél'ta'io* a.; ~ *metal*, alloy of copper, zinc, and ferro-manganese. [Gk]

dél'toid, a. & n. Triangular; ~ *muscle* or ~, muscle of shoulder lifting upper arm; like a river delta. [f. Gk *deltocidēs* (prec., -OID)]

délude' (-ōd, -ūd), v.t. Impose upon, deceive. [f. L *de(ludere lus- play)*]

dél'uge, n., & v.t. 1. Great flood, inundation, (the D~, Noah's flood); heavy fall of rain; flood of words etc. 2. vb. Flood, inundate, (lit. & fig.). [F (*dé-*), f. L *diluvium* (*diluere* DILUTE)]

délu'sion (-ōzhn, -ū-), n. Imposing or being imposed upon; false impression or opinion, esp. as symptom or form of madness, whence ~ALA. [f. L *delusio* (DELUDE, -ION)]

délus'ive (-ō-, -ū-), a. Deceptive, disappointing, unreal. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [DELUDE, -IVE]

dél've, v.t. & i., & n., (arch., poet., & dial.). 1. Dig; make research in documents etc.; (of road etc.) make sudden dip. 2. n. Cavity; depression of surface, wrinkle. [OE *delfan*, com.-WG cf. Du. *delven*]

démag'nétiz'e, v.t. Deprive of magnetic quality. Hence ~A'TION n. [DE-]

dém'agō'g'ue (-g), n. Popular leader; political agitator appealing to cupidity or prejudice of the masses, factious orator. Hence or cogn. *démagō'g'io* (-gik) a., ~ISM(2), ~Y¹ nn., (-g-). [f. Gk *démagōgos* (DEMOS, *agōgos* leading)]

dém'and' (-ah-), n. Request made as of right or peremptorily, thing so asked, (payable on ~, as soon as the ~ is made); call of would-be purchasers for commodity (laws of supply and ~ in Pol. Econ.; in ~, sought after); urgent claim (many ~s on my time). [f. F *demande* f. *demandeur* see foll.]

dém'and' (-ah-), v.t. Ask for (thing) as right or peremptorily or urgently (of or from person; obj. a noun, infn., or that-clause); require, need, (pley ~s it; task ~s skill); ask to be, insist on being, told (~ one's business, what he wants). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ANT(1) n. [f. F

demandeur f. L *DE(mandare* order cf. MANDARE)]

dém'arcā'tion, n. Marking of boundary, esp. line of ~. Hence (by back-formation) **dém'arcā'te** v.t. [Sp. (-cion), f. *demarcar* mark bounds of (DE-, MARK)]

dém'arche (dém'arsh'), n. (In E diplomatic journalese) political step or proceeding. [F]

dém'atér'ialize, v.t. & i. Make, become, non-material, spiritual. [DE-]

dème, n. (Gk hist.) township of ancient Attica; (Biol.) undifferentiated aggregate of cells. [f. Gk *dēmos*]

dèmean', v. refl. ~ oneself, behave, conduct oneself, (always w. adv. or adv. phr.). [f. OF *demenor* (DE- + *mener* lead f. L *minare* threaten & in L.L. drive cattle)]

dèmean', v.t. (usu. refl.). Lower in dignity. [DE-, MEAN², but prob. generated by misunderstanding of prec.; chiefly used by the uneducated or in imitations of them]

dèmean'our (-ner), n. Bearing, outward behaviour. [earlier -ure, -er; see -URE, -ER⁴, DEMEAN¹; assim. to honour etc.]

dém'ent', v.t. Drive mad, craze, (usu. in p.p.). Hence **dém'ent'edly** adv. [f. L *dementare* f. *demens* out of one's mind (mens mentis)]

dém'enti (see Ap.), n. Official denial of rumour etc. [F]

dém'ent'ia (or -sha), n. (med.). Species of insanity consisting in feebleness of mind. [L (*demens* see DEMENT)]

dém'erā'a (or -ah'ra), n. Kind of brown raw cane sugar in large crystals from Demerara. [place]

dém'ér'it, n. Ill desert; fault, defect. Hence ~OR'IOUS [-ORY, -OUS] a. [f. L *demeritum* neut. p.p. of *demereri* deserve; orig. sense desert (good or bad, like *merit*); the two have now been fixed to opposite senses]

dèmesne' (-ēn or -ān), n. 1. (Law) possession (of real property) as one's own (esp. *held in* ~); an estate held in ~, all of an owner's land not held of him by freehold tenants, or all that he actually occupies himself; *Royal* ~, Crown lands; *State* ~, land held by State. 2. Sovereign's or State's territory, domain; landed property, estate; region, sphere, of. [f. OF *demeine* f. L *dominicus* (dominus lord, -ty)]

dém'i-, pref. usu. written with the hyphen, still used as living pref. to form temporary words, but more or less ousted by SEMI-. Half-size, half, imperfect, partial(ly), semi-; ~-official (letter), (esp. in Indian Secretariats) letter written in private form on official topics; ~-dose (F), small cup (of black coffee). [F. f. L *dēmidium* half (DE-, *medius* middle)]

dém'igōd, n. Partly divine being, son of god and mortal, or deified man. [prec.]

dém'ijohn (-jōn), n. Bulging narrow-necked bottle of 8-10 gal., usu. cased in

wicker & with wicker handles. [corrupt. of F *dame-jeanne* Dame Jane; found in many langg., but earliest in F, prob. as playful personification]

dém'ilune (-ōn), n. (fortif.). Outwork protecting bastion or curtain. [F, = half moon]

dém'i-mōnd[e], n. Class of women on outskirts of society, of doubtful reputation & standing. Hence *~aine'* n., woman of the ~e. [F, = half world]

dém'i-rēp., n. Woman of suspected chastity. [abbr. for *demi-reputable*]

démise' (-z), v.t., & n. Convey, grant, (estate) by will or lease (n., this process); transmit (title etc.) by death or abdication (n., this event, esp. ~ of the *Crown*; transf., death). Hence **démis'ABLE** (-z) a. [vb f. n., prob. f. p.p. of OF *desmettre* DISMISS, in refl. abdicate]

dém'isēmiquāv'er, n. (mus.). Note, with three-hooked symbol, equal to half a semiquaver. [DEMI-]

dém'ision (-shn), n. Resigning, abdication, of. [f. F *démision* f. LL *dis-* for L *dimissionem* f. *mittere miss-* send, -ION]

démit', v.t. & i. (-tt-). Resign (office, or abs.). [f. F *démétire* (DIS- + *mettre* send, put, f. L *mittere* send)]

dém'iurge, n. Creator of world (in Platonic philosophy; also of Christian God, & of supposed subordinate agents in creation). Hence **dém'iurg'io** a. [f. Gk *demiourgos* craftsman (*dēmiōs* f. DEMOS, -ergos -working)]

démōb', v.t. (-bb-). Demobilize (esp. in p.p. of individuals released by demobilization). [abbr.]

démōb'iliz[e], v.t. Release from mobilized state, disband, (troops, ships). Hence *~A'TION* n. [DE-]

démōc'racy, n. (State practising) government by the people, direct or representative; the politically unprivileged class. [f. F *démocratie* f. L f. Gk *dēmokratia* (DEMOS, -CRACY)]

dém'ocrāt, n. Advocate of democracy; **(D~)* member of Democratic party. Hence **démōc'ratisu**(3) n. [f. F *démocrate* (prec.)]

démocrāt'ic, a. Of, like, practising, advocating, democracy; **D~ party*, opposed to REPUBLICAN & supporting State, local & individual liberty against federal powers. So **démocrāt'ically** adv.

démōc'ratisu(3) v.t. & i., **démōcratizā'tion** n. [f. F *démocratique* f. med. L f. Gk *dēmokratikos* (DEMOS, -CRATIC)]

Démōc'rītē'an, a. Of Democritus, his humour, or his theory of atoms. [f. L f. Gk *Dēmōkritēs* of Democritus (Gk philosopher of 5th c. B.C. called the laughing philosopher, & an atomistic physicist) + -AN]

~(dēmō'd'), a. Out of fashion. [F]

Démōgōrg'on, n. A mysterious & terrible infernal deity. [LL; perh. assim. of some Oriental name to Gk DEMOS, *gorgos* grim]

démōg'raphy, n. Statistics of births, diseases, etc., illustrating condition of communities. Hence **démōg'rAPHY** n., **démōGRAPH'IO** a. [DEMOS, -GRAPHY]

démoiseille (dém'wazē'l'), n. The Numidian crane. [F, = DAMSEL]

démōl'ish, v.t. Pull or throw down (building), destroy; overthrow (institution, theory); eat up. So **démol'ITION** n. [f. F *démolir* (-ISH) f. L *DE(moliri)* construct f. *moles* mass]

dém'on, dae-, n. (Gk myth.; often *dae-*) supernatural being, inferior deity, spirit, ghost, in-dwelling or attendant spirit, genius; evil spirit (as in demoniacs); heathen deity; devil; malignant supernatural being; cruel, malignant, destructive, or fierce person (~ *bowler*, very fast; *is a ~ for work*, works strenuously); personified vice or passion. Hence **démōno-** comb. form, **démōn'ōl'ATRY**, **démōn'ōl'ogy**, nn. [f. L f. Gk *daimōn* deity, w. sense also of L f. Gk *daimōnion* divine (power etc.) neut. adj.]

démō'nétize (or -mū-), v.t. Deprive (metal etc.) of its status as money. [f. F *démonétiser* (DE-, L *moneta* MONEY, -IZE)]

démōn'iāc, a. & n. (Person) possessed by an evil spirit; of such possession; devilish; fiercely energetic, frenzied. [f. LL *daemoniacus* (Gk *daimonion* see DEMON, -AC)]

démōn'ical, a. = prec. adj. (esp. in phr. ~ *possession*, and in sense *devilish*). [prec. + -AL]

démōn'ic, dae-, a. = prec.; inspired, of supernatural genius or impulses. [f. L f. Gk *daimonikos* (DEMON, -IC)]

dém'onism, n. Belief in the power of demons. [-ISM(3)]

dém'onize, v.t. Make into or like, represent as, a demon. [f. med. L *daemonizare* (DEMON, -IZE)]

démōn'straible (or *dém'on-*), a. Capable of being shown or logically proved. Hence *~BL'ITY* n., *~bly* adv. [f. L *demonstrabilis* (foll., -ABLE)]

dém'onstrāte, v.t. & i. Show (feelings etc.); describe & explain by help of specimens or experiments, teach as a demonstrator; logically prove the truth of; be a proof of the existence of; make a military demonstration; take part in a demonstration by public meeting, whence **démōn'strānt**(1) n. [f. L *DE(monstrare)* show, see MONSTER, -ATE]

démonstrā'tion, n. Outward exhibition of feeling etc.; logical proving, clear proof, (*to ~*, conclusively); thing serving as proof; exhibition & explanation of specimens or experiments as way of

teaching; show of military force to intimidate, to mask other operations, or in peace to show readiness for war; exhibition of opinion on political or other question, esp. public meeting or procession, whence ~IST(1) (-sho-) n. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. L *demonstratio* (prec., -ION)]

demon'strative, a. & n. Serving to point out or exhibit (esp. in Gram., ~ *pronoun* or *adjective*, or ~ as noun, this etc.); giving proof of; logically conclusive; concerned with proof; given to or marked by open expression of feelings (~ *person*, *behaviour*, *affection*, etc.). Hence ~LY³ (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. F *démonstratif* f. L *demonstrativus* (as prec., -IVE)]

demon'strātor, n. One who demonstrates; teacher by demonstration, assistant to professor doing practical work with students; partaker in demonstration by public meeting. [L (DEMONSTRATE, -OR³)]

dēmō'raliz'e, v.t. Corrupt morals of, deprave; destroy the discipline, cohesion, courage, or endurance of (esp. troops; see MORALE). Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *démoraliser* (DE-, MORAL, -IZE)]

dē mō't'ūs nū nīs't bōn'um, sent. Nothing but good should be spoken of the dead. [L]

Dēm'ōs, n. Personification of the populace or democracy. [Gk. = people]

Dēmōsthē'n'ic, a. Like Demosthenes or his oratory; eloquent, patriotic, denunciatory, (of speech). [f. Gk *Dēmōsthēnikos* of Demosthenes (Attic orator 4th c. B.C.)]

***dēmō'te'**, v.t. Reduce to lower rank or class. Hence dēmō'tion n. [f. DE- + (PRO)NOTE]

dēmō't'ic, a. Popular, vulgar; (Archaeol.) in the popular form (opp. *hieratic*) of ancient Egyptian writing. [f. Gk *dēmōtikos* (*dēmōtis* one of the DEMOS + -IC)]

dēmūl'cent, a. & n. Soothing (medicine). [f. L DE(*mulcere* soothe), -ENT]

dēmūr', v.i. (-rr-), & n. 1. Make difficulties, raise scruples or objections to or at; (Law) put in a demurrer, whence dēmūr'rran(1) n. 2. n. Objecting, objection, (usu. *without*, *no*, ~). [earlier sense *tarry(ing)*, f. F *demeure(r)* f. L DE(*morare* pop. for -i delay)]

dēmū're', a. Sober, grave, composed; ironically reserved; affectedly coy, prudish. Hence ~LY³ (-rl-) adv., ~NESS (-rn-) n. [DE- + obs. *mure* f. OF *meur* f. L *maturus* ripe]

dēmūr'rrable, a. That may be demurred to, open to objection, (esp. legal). [DEMUR, -ABLE]

dēmū'r'rage, n. Rate or amount payable to ship-owner by charterer for failure to load or discharge ship within time allowed, similar charge on railway trucks; detention, delay; charge (1¼d. per oz) of Bank of Engl. deducted in giving notes

or gold for bullion. [f. OF *demorage* (DEMUR, -AGE)]

dēmūr'rer, n. Legal objection to relevance of opponent's point even if granted, which stays action till relevance is settled; exception taken. [f. OF *demourer* infn. = DEMUR; -ER⁴]

dēm'y', n. (pl. -ies, pr. -iz). Size of paper (printing, 17½ x 22½); writing, 15½ x 20); [scholar of Magd. Coll., Oxford (orig. w. half fellow's allowance), whence ~SHIP n. [var. of DEMI-]

dēn, n. Wild beast's lair; lurking-place of thieves etc.; small room unfit to live in; room in which person secludes himself to work etc. [OE *denn* cf. G *tenne*, Du. *denne*]

dēnār'ius, n. (pl. -i). Ancient-Roman silver coin (orig. about 8d.), whence Engl. *d.* for penny. [f. *deni* ten each, -ARY¹; *denarius* (*numus*) = (coin) of ten (asses)]

dēn'ar'y, a. Of ten, decimal. [f. L (prec.)]

dēnā'tionaliz'e (-sho-), v.t. Deprive (nation) of its status or characteristics, (person) of membership or characteristics of his nation, (institution) of its position as national property. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *dénationaliser* (DE-, NATIONAL, -IZE)]

dēnā'turaliz'e (-cher-), v.t. Change nature of, make unnatural; (usu. refl.) divest of citizenship or membership of State. Hence ~A'TION n. [DE-, NATURAL, -IZE(3); also DE- + NATURALIZE]

dēnā'ture, v.t. Change nature or essential qualities of (esp. tea or alcohol by adulteration). So dēnā'turant (-chōb-) n., substance used in denaturing. [f. F *denaturer* (DIS-, NATURE)]

dēn'drite, n. (Stone or mineral with) natural tree-like or moss-like marking. Hence dēndr'it'ic a. [f. Gk *dendrūēs* adj. (*dendron* tree)]

dendr(o)-, -i-, comb. forms, f. Gk *dendron* tree. Hence dēn'drif'orm, dēn'droin, aa., dēndrōl'o'y, dēndrōl'ogist, nn.

|| **dēne'**, n. Bare sandy tract, low sandhill, by sea. [cf. G *düne*, Du. *duin*, F *dune*]

dēne'. See DEAN¹.

dēnēgā'tion, n. (arch.). Denial. [f. (dēnē-), f. L DE(*negationem* f. *negare* deny, -ATION)]

dēne-hōle, dāne-, n. (archaeol.). Artificial cave in chalk entered by vertical shaft often 60 ft deep. [etym. dub.; perh. f. DANE]

dēng'ue (-nggā), n. Infectious eruptive fever causing acute pains in joints. [prob. f. Zanzibar name, w. assim. to Sp. *dengue* prudence, w. ref. to stiffness of patient's neck & shoulders]

dēni'able, a. That one can deny. [-ABLE]

dēni'al, n. Refusal of request; = SELF-~; statement that thing is not true (*meet charge with fat ~*) or existent, contradiction; disavowal of person as one's leader etc. [DENY, -AL(2)]

dénier', n. One who denies. [DENY, -ER¹]

|| **dénier'**² (-nâr), n. (arch.). Very small sum or coin. [OF, 1/12 of sou, f. DENARIUS]

dénigrâ'te, v.t. Blacken; defame, whence or cogn. ~âTOR¹, ~A'TION, nn. [f. L *denigrare* f. *niger* black]

dé'nim, n. Twilled cotton fabric used for overalls etc. [for *serge de Nim* (Nîmes in France)]

dénit'râ'te, **dénit'rifî**, v.v.t. Free of nitric or nitrous acid or nitrates. [DE-]

dén'izen, n., & v.t. 1. Inhabitant, occupant, (of place); foreigner admitted to residence & certain rights; naturalized foreign word, animal, or plant; hence ~SHIP n. 2. v.t. Admit as ~ (usu. pass.). [f. AF *deinzein* (*deins* = F *dans* f. L *de-*, *intus* within, -aneus see -ANEUS)]

dénôm'inâ'te, v.t. Give name to, call or describe as so-&-so (w. obj. & compl.). [f. L *denominare* NOMINATE]

dénôminâ'tion, n. Name, designation, esp. characteristic or class name; class of units in numbers, weights, money, etc. (*reduce to the same* ~; *money of small* ~s); class, kind, with specific name; religious sect, whence ~AL (-sho-) a. (~al education, according to principles of a Church or sect, whence ~ALIZE(3) (-sho-) v.t.). [OF (-cion), f. L *denominacionem* (prec., -ATION)]

dénôm'inâ'tive, a. Serving as, giving, a name. [f. L *denominativus* (as prec., -ATIVE)]

dénôm'inâ'tor, n. Number below line in vulgar fraction, divisor. [med. L (as prec., -OR²)]

dénô'tâ'tion, n. Denoting; expression by marks or symbols; sign, indication; designation; meaning of a term; (Log.) aggregate of objects that may be included under a word (of. CONNOTATION), extension. [f. L *denotatio* (DENOTE, -ATION)]

dénô't'ative, a. Indicative of; (Log.) merely designating, implying no attributes, (cf. CONNOTATIVE). Hence ~LY¹ (-vl-) adv. [DENOTE, -ATIVE]

dénô'te', v.t. Mark out, distinguish, be the sign of; indicate, give to understand, (esp. *that*-clause); stand as name for; (Log.) be a name for, be predicated of, (the word white ~s *all white things*, as *snow*, *paper*, *foam*). Hence ~MENT (-tm-) n. [f. F *dénoter* f. L *denotare* mark f. *nota* NOTE²]

denouement (see Ap.), n. Unravelling of plot or complications, catastrophe, final solution, in play, novel, etc. [F (*dénouer* unknot, f. DE-, L *nodare* f. *nodus* knot, -MENT)]

dénounce', v.t. Prophecy (woe, vengeance); inform against; openly inveigh against; give notice of termination of (armistice, treaty). Hence ~MENT (-sm-)

n. [f. OF *denoncier* f. L *denuntiare* f. *nuntius* messenger perh. for *noventius* f. *novus* new]

de nouveau (de nôbvô'), adv. Afresh, starting again. [F]

dē nôv'ô, adv. = prec. [L]

dē'se, a. Closely compacted in substance crowded together; crass, stupid. Hence ~LY¹ (-sl-) adv., ~NESS (-sn-) n. [f. L *densus*]

dēn'sitî, n. Closeness of substance; (Physics) degree of consistence; measured by ratio of mass to volume or by quantity of matter in unit of bulk; crowded state; stupidity. [f. F *densité* f. L *densitatem* (prec., -TY)]

dēnt, n., & v.t. (To mark with a) surface impression (as) from the blow of a blunt-edged instrument. [var. of DINT]

dēn'tal, a. & n. Of tooth, teeth, or dentistry; ~ letter or ~, made with tongue-tip against upper front teeth (as *th*) or front of palate (as *d*, *t*), whence ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. L *dens* *dentis* tooth + -AL]

dēn'tâ'te, a. (bot. & zool.). Toothed, with tooth-like notches. So **dēnta'tion** n., **dēntât'o**-comb. form. [f. L *dentatus* (prec., -AT²)]

dēn'ti-, comb. form of L *dens* *dentis* tooth, as ~lingual formed by teeth & tongue. Hence ~FORM, **dēnti'gerous**, aa.

dēn'ticle, n. Small tooth or tooth-like projection; = DENTIL. So **dēntic'ular**¹, **dēntic'ulate**¹ (-at) or -âted, aa., **dēnticula'tion** n. [f. L *denticulus* (prec., -CULE)]

dēn'tifrice, n. Powder, paste, etc., for tooth-cleaning. [f. L *dentifricum* f. *fricare* rub]

dēn'til, n. One of series of small rectangular blocks under bed-moulding of cornice in classical architecture (often ~cornice, -band, -moulding). [f. obs. F *dentille* dim. of *dent* tooth f. L *dens* *dentis*]

dēn'tine, n. Hard dense tissue forming main part of teeth. [f. L as prec. + -INE¹]

dēn'tist, n. Dental surgeon. Hence ~RY n. [f. F *dentiste* f. *dent* see DENTIL, -IST(3)]

dēnti'tion, n. Outting of teeth, teething; characteristic arrangement of teeth in animal. [f. L *dentitio* (*dentire* to teethe, -ION)]

dēn'ture, n. Set of (usu. artificial) teeth. [F, f. *dent* tooth (see DENTIL) + -URE]

dēnûde' v.t. Make naked; strip of clothing, covering, possession, attribute; (Geol.) lay (rock, formation) bare by removal of what lies above. Hence **dēnûda'tion** n., **dēnûd'ative** a. [f. L *denudare* f. *nudus* naked]

dēnûnciâ'tion, n. Denouncing; invective. So **dēnûnciâ'tive**, **dēnûn'ciatory**, (-sha-) aa., **dēnûn'ciâtor**¹ (-sh-) n. [f. L *denuntiatio* (DENOUNCE, -ATION)]

déný', v.t. Declare untrue or non-existent (~ the charge, the possibility, that it is so, this to be the case; rarely with but after neg., I don't ~ but he may have thought so); disavow, repudiate, (~ one's word, signature, faith, leader); refuse (person, thing, person a thing, thing to person; I was denied this, this was denied me or to me); ~ oneself, be abstinent; report as not at home, refuse access to, (person visited). [f. F *dénier* f. L *DE* (negare say no)]

|| **dé'odánd**, n. (hist.). Thing forfeited to Crown to be used in alms etc. as having caused a human death. [f. L *deo dandum* thing to be given to God]

dé'odár, n. Himalayan cedar. [f. Hind. *de'odar* f. Skr. *deva-dara* divine tree]

děd'orizé (or -ód-), v.t. Deprive of odour, disinfect. Hence ~**ATION**, ~**ER**¹(2), nn. [DE-, L *odor* smell, -IZE]

děontól'ogý, n. Science of duty, ethics. So **děontoló'gical** a., **děontól'ogist** n. [f. Gk *deont-* part. st. of *dei* it is right, -O-, -LOGY]

Dě'ō ōp'timō mār'timō, phr. To God the best & greatest (in dedications). [L]

Dě'ō volén'té, adv. (abbr. D.V.). God willing; if nothing occurs to prevent it. [L]

départ', v.i. & t. (Poet., arch., etc.) go away (*from*), take one's leave; set out, start, leave, (esp. in time-tables, as *dep. 6.30 a.m.*); die, leave by death, (~ *from life*, ~ *this life*); diverge, deviate, (~ *from received account, custom*). [f. OF *DE* (*partir* f. L *partire* divide)]

départ'éd, a. & n. Bygone (~ *greatness*); deceased (person; esp. the ~). [-ED²(2)]

départ'ment, n. Separate part of complex whole, branch, esp. of municipal or State administration; French administrative district; ~ *store*, large shop supplying all kinds of goods. So **départ'mén'tal** a., **départ'mén'tally** adv. [f. F *département* (DEPART-, MENT)]

dépar'ture, n. Going away; deviation from (truth, standard); starting, esp. of train (*the ~ platform*); setting out on course of action or thought (esp. *new ~*); (Naut.) amount of ship's change of longitude in sailing. [OF (DEPART-, URE)]

dépa'sturé (-ab-), v.t. & i. (Of cattle) graze upon, graze; put (cattle) to graze; (of land) feed (cattle). Hence ~**AGE** n. [DE-]

dépaup'er'âte, v.t. Impoverish; reduce in vigour, stunt, make degenerate. So ~**ATION** n. [f. mod. L *DE* (*pauperare* f. L *pauper* poor), -ATE¹]

dépaup'erize, v.t. Raise from, rid of, pauperism. [DE-, PAUPER-, -IZE]

dépénd', v.i. Hang down (poet., arch., etc.); be contingent (*it ~s upon himself*, i.e. upon his efforts, skill, wisdom, etc.; also abs. in *that ~s*, i.e. can only be answered conditionally); be grammatically dependent (*upon*); rest for main-

tenance etc. *upon* (*she ~s upon her own efforts, her pen, her mother, my help*); reckon confidently upon (esp. in imperat., ~ *upon it*, you may be sure!); be waiting for settlement (of lawsuit, Bill, etc.). [f. OF *DE* (*pendre* f. L *pendere* suspend but with sense of *pendere* be suspended)]

dépén'dable, a. That may be depended on. Hence ~**LENES** (-in-) n., ~**LY** adv. [-ABLE]

dépén'dant, -ent¹, n. One who depends on another for support, retainer, servant. [f. F *dépendant* part. (DEPEND-, ANT)]

dépén'dence, n. Depending (*upon*), being conditioned or subordinate or subject; living at another's cost; reliance, confident trust; thing relied on. [f. F *dépendance* (proc., -ANCE)]

dépén'dency, n. Something subordinate or dependent, esp. country or province controlled by another. [as prec., -ANCY, -ENCY]

dépén'dent¹, a. Depending (*on*), contingent, subordinate, subject; maintained at another's cost; (Gram. of clause, phrase, or word) in subordinate relation to a sentence or word. [earlier -ant = DEPENDANT]

déphós'phorizé, v.t. Rid (ore) of phosphorus. Hence ~**ATION** n. [DE-]

dépíc't', v.t. Represent in drawing or colours; portray in words, describe. Hence or cogn. ~**TER**¹, ~**TOR**¹, ~**TRON**, nn., ~**TIVE** a. [f. L *DE* (*pingere* pict- paint)]

dépíc'ture, v.t. Picture, depict. [DE- + PICTURE v.]

dép'il'âte, v.t. Remove hair from. Hence ~**ATION**, ~**ATOR**²(2), nn., **dép'il'atory** a. & n. [f. L *DE* (*pilare* f. *pilus* hair), -AT¹]

déplāne, v.i. Descend from an aeroplane. [DE-]

déplén'ish, v.t. Empty of its contents, deprive of its stock. [DE-, & as REPLENISH]

déplét'e', v.t. Empty out, exhaust; relieve of congestion. So **déplé'tion** n., ~**IVE** a. & n., ~**ORY** a. [f. L *DE* (*plere* -plet-fill)]

déplōt'e', v.t. Bewail, grieve over, regret; be scandalized by. Hence ~**ABLE** a., ~**ABLY** adv., ~**ABLITY**, ~**ABLENESS**, nn. [f. L *DE* (*plorare* bewail)]

déploy', v.t. & i., & n., (mil.). 1. Spread out (f. & i. of troops) from column into line; so ~**MENT** n. 2. n. Doing this. [f. F *déployer* f. L *DE* (*plicare* fold), whence also DISPLAY]

déplume' (-ōb-), v.t. Pluck, strip of feathers. [f. F *déplumer* (DE-, L *pluma* feather)]

dépōl'arizé, v.t. (Opt.) change direction of polarization of (ray); (Electr. & Magn.) deprive of polarity; (fig.) disturb, shake loose, dissolve, (convictions, prejudices). Hence ~**ATION**, ~**ER**²(2), nn. [DE-]

dépōn'ent, a. & n. 1. (L & Gk gram.) (verb) passive in form but active in sense (named from action that they had laid

aside the pass. sense). 2. Person making deposition under oath or giving written testimony for use in court etc. [f. L *DE(ponere positi- place)*, -ENT]

dépôp'ülâte, v.t. & i. Reduce population of; decline in population. So ~**ATION** n. [f. L *DE(populari lay waste f. populus people)*, -ATE¹]

dépôrt', v.t. 1. Bear or conduct oneself in such a manner. 2. Remove, esp. into exile, banish, whence **dépôrtation** n., **dépôrtée** n., person who is or has been ~ed. [sense 1 f. OF *deporter* (DE-, *porter* carry f. L *portare*); sense 2 f. F *déporter* f. L *DE(portare carry)*]

dépôrt'ment, n. Bearing, demeanour, manners; way a thing (e.g. metal in chem. experiment) behaves. [OF (-ement), as prec. 1, -MENT]

dépôs'e'(-z), v.t. & i. Remove from office, esp. dethrone, whence ~**ABLE** (-z-) a.; bear witness that, testify to, esp. on oath in court. [f. F *déposer* (DE- + *poser* f. LL *pausare* PAUSE, POSE¹)]

dépôs'it'(-z-), n. Thing stored or entrusted for safe keeping; sum placed in bank, || usu. at interest & not to be drawn on without notice (on ~, so disposed of; has a current & a/c account); sum required and paid as pledge or earnest or first instalment; layer of precipitated matter, natural accumulation. [f. L *DE(positum neut. p.p. of ponere place)*]

dépôs'it'(-z-), v.t. Lay down in a (usu. specified) place; lay (eggs; usu. with adv. etc.); (of water or natural agency) leave (layer of matter) lying; store or entrust for keeping (esp. sum at interest in bank); pay as pledge for fulfilment of contract or further payment. [f. obs. F *depositer* f. med. L *deponere* frequent. of L *deponere* see prec.]

dépôs'itary (-z-), n. Person to whom thing is committed, trustee. [f. L *depositarius* (DEPOSIT¹, -ARY¹)]

dépôs'ition (-z-), n. (Picture of) taking down of Christ from the cross; depositing from office, esp. dethronement; (giving of) sworn evidence, allegation, (usu. dē-); depositing. [OF, f. L *depositionem* f. *deponere* (DEPOSIT¹, -ION), but w. senses chiefly of unconnected DEPOSE]

dépôs'itor (-z-), n. Person who deposits money, property, etc.; apparatus for depositing some substance. [L (*deponere* see DEPOSIT¹, -OR¹)]

dépôs'itory (-z-), n. Storehouse (lit. & fig.); = DEPOSITORY. [f. med. L *depositorium* (DEPOSIT¹, -ORY)]

dép'ot (-ô), n. 1. (Mil.) place for stores; headquarters of regiment; recruit-drilling station; || part of regiment not on foreign service. 2. Storehouse, emporium; * (pr. dē'pô) railway station. [f. F *dépôt* f. L as DEPOSIT¹]

déprâve', v.t. Make bad, deteriorate, pervert, corrupt, esp. in moral character or habits. So **déprâv'ation** n. [f. L *DE(pravare f. pravus crooked)*]

déprâv'ity, n. Moral perversion, viciousness; (Theol.) innate corruption of man. [DE- + obs. *pravity* f. L *pravitas* (prec., -TY)]

dép'récâtie, v.t. Plead against (~ one's anger, beseech him not to be angry); express wish against or disapproval of (~e war, hasty action, panic). Hence or cogn. ~**ingly**¹ adv., **dépréca'tion** n., ~**IVE**, ~**ORY**, aa. [f. L *DE(precari pray)*, -ATE¹]

dépré'ciâtie (-shi-), v.t. & i. Diminish (t. & i.) in value; lower market price of; reduce purchasing power of (money); disparage, belittle. Hence ~**ingly**¹ adv., ~**ORY** (-sha-) a. [f. L *DE(pretiare f. pretium price)*, -ATE¹]

dépré'ciâ'tion (-êsi-, -êshi-), n. Depreciating or being depreciated; allowance made in valuations, estimates, and balance sheets, for wear & tear. [prec., -ATION]

dép'rédâ'tion, n. (usu. pl.). Spoliation, ravages. [F (*dé-*), f. L *DE(predationem f. praedare f. praeda prey)*, -ATION]

dép'rédâ'tor, n. Spoiler, pillager. [f. L *depraedator* (prec., -OR¹)]

dépréss', v.t. Push or pull down, lower; bring low, humble; reduce activity of (esp. trade); lower (voice) in pitch; dispirit, deject; ~ed classes (Indian pol.), persons of the lowest Indian castes, untouchables. So ~**IBLE** a. [f. OF *dépresser* f. L ⁺*DE(pressare frequent. of premere PRESS¹)*]

dépréss'ant, a. & n. (med.). Lowering, sedative, (medicine). [prec. + -ANT]

dépré'ssion (-shn), n. Lowering, sinking; (Astron.) angular distance of star etc. below horizon; sunk place, hollow, on surface; reduction in vigour (esp. of trade), in pitch (of voice), vitality, or spirits; (Meteorol.) lowering of barometer or atmospheric pressure, esp. centre of minimum pressure or system of winds round it. [f. L *DE(pressio f. premere press-press, -ION)*]

dépréss'or, n. (anat.). ~ muscle or ~, one pulling down some organ etc. [L (prec., -OR¹)]

dépriva'tion (or -i-), n. Loss, being deprived, of; deprivation from esp. ecclesiastical office; felt loss (that is a great ~). [f. med. L *deprivatio* (foll., -ATION)]

dépriv'e', v.t. Strip, bereave, debar from enjoyment, of; depose (esp. clergyman) from office. Hence ~**ABLE** a., ~**AL**(2) n. [f. OF *DE(privare f. L privare deprive)*]

dé'profûn'dis, n. & adv. (Cry) from the depths of sorrow etc. [initial L wds of Ps. cxxx]

dépth, *n.* Being DEEP; measurement from top down, from surface inwards, or from front to back; abstruseness; sagacity; intensity of colour, darkness, etc.; (pl.) deep water, deep place, abyss, lowest or inmost part; middle (*in the ~ of winter*); deep or mysterious region of thought, feeling, etc. (*ory from the ~s, ~ of inspiration, ~s of degradation*); out of one's ~, in water too deep to stand in, (fig.) engaged on too hard a task or subject; ~-charge, bomb for dropping on submerged submarine, set to explode at desired ~. [DEEP, -TH¹]

dép'ūr[āte, *v.t. & i.* Make, become, free from impurities. So ~'A'TION, ~'ĀTOR'(2), *nn.*, **dépūr'ative** *a. & n.* [f. med. L *DE(purare f. L purus pure)*]

dépūtā'tion, *n.* Body of persons appointed to represent others. [foll., -ATION]

dépūte', *v.t.* Commit (task, authority) to substitute; appoint as one's substitute. [f. *F députer f. L DE(putare think) regard as, allot*]

dép'ūte, *v.i.* Act as deputy or understudy (*for*), esp. in musical engagements. [foll., -IZE]

dép'ūt, *n.* Person appointed to act for another or others (*by ~, by proxy; ~ lieutenant*, abbr. D. L., ~ of Lord Lieutenant of county); member of deputation; parliamentary representative (*Chamber of Deputies*, lower house in French & other Parliaments); || manager of doss-house; ~, deputed, acting-. Hence ~SHIP(1) *n.* [f. *F député p.p. of députer DEPUTE, -Y'*]

dérā'cināte, *v.t.* Tear up by the roots. [f. *F déraciner (DE-, racine f. LL radicina dim. of radix root), -ATE'*]

dérail', *v.t. & i.* Cause (train etc.) to leave the rails (usu. pass.); (rarely) leave the rails. So ~MENT *n.* [f. *F dérailler (DE-, rail rail)*]

dérānge' (-j), *v.t.* Throw into confusion or out of gear, disorganize; cause to act irregularly; make insane (esp. in p.p.); disturb, interrupt. So ~MENT (-jm-) *n.* [f. *F déranger (DE-, rang rank)*]

dérāte', *v.t.* Remove proportion of rates incident on (*dérating scheme, bill*). [DE-]

Der'by (dār-), *n.* 1. Annual horse-race at Epsom; ~ day, of the race; ~ dog, any dog straying on course, (fig.) trivial untimely interruption. *2. (d-; pron. dār-) bowler hat. [Earl of ~ founder 1780]

Der'byshire (dār-; -sher), *a.* ~ neck, goltre, bronchocoele; ~ spar, fluor-spar. **de règle** (rā'gl), *pred. a.* Customary, proper. [F]

dé'relict, *a. & n.* Abandoned, ownerless, (esp. of ship at sea); abandoned property, esp. ship. [f. L *DE(relict- see RELINQUISH)*]

dérélic'tion, *n.* Abandoning, being abandoned; retreat of sea exposing new land; neglect of duty; failure in duty, short-coming. [f. L *derelictio* (prec., -ION)]

déride', *v.t.* Laugh to scorn. [f. L *DE(ridere ris- laugh)*]

de'rigueur (rêgêr'), *pred. a.* Required by etiquette (*evening dress is ~*). [F]

déri'sion (-zhn), *n.* Ridicule, mockery, (*hold, have, in ~, mock at; be in ~, be mocked at; bring into ~*); laughing-stock. [f. L *derisio* (DERIDE, -ION)]

déris'ive, **déris'or'y**, *aa.* Scoffing (~cheers, ironical); (-ory only; of offer etc.) ridiculously futile, not to be taken seriously. Hence **déris'ively**² (-vī-) *adv.* [f. L *deris- see DERIDE, -IVE, -ORY*]

dérivā'tion, *n.* Obtaining from a source; extraction, descent; formation of word from word or root, tracing or statement of this; theory of evolution, whence ~IST(2) *n.* [F (*dé-*), f. L *derivatorem* (DERIVE, -ATION)]

dériv'ative, *a. & n.* (Thing, word, chemical substance) derived from a source, not primitive or original. Hence ~LY³ (-vī-) *adv.* [f. *F dérivatif f. L derivativus* (foll., -IVE)]

dériv'e, *v.t. & i.* Get, obtain, (*from a source, or with the source present in thought*); have one's or its *origin* etc. *from*; gather, deduce, (knowledge, truth, ideas, etc.) *from*; (pass., refl., & intr.) be descended or have one's origin *from*; (pass., of words) be formed *from*; trace, show, or assert, descent, origin, or formation, of (person, thing, word) *from*. Hence ~ABLE *a.* [f. *F dériver f. L derivare* (DE-, rivus stream) divert, derive]

dér'm, *n.* Skin; true skin or layer of tissue below epidermis. Hence or cogn. ~AL, ~IC, *aa.*, ~'at(O-), ~O-, comb. forms, ~'at'IS *nn.*, inflammation of the skin, ~'atôL'OGY, ~'atôL'OGIST, *nn.* [f. Gk *derma skin* (*dêrô flay, -M*)]

dern. = DARN¹.

dernier ressort (dêrnyā' resô'r'), *n.* Last resort, desperate expedient. [F]

dé'rogāte, *v.i.* Detract, take away part, *from* (a merit, right, etc.); sink in the scale, do something derogatory. [f. L *DE(rogare ask), -ATE'*]

dérogā'tion, *n.* Lessening or impairment of law, authority, position, dignity, etc.; deterioration, debasement. [F (*dé-*), f. L *derogationem* (prec., -ATION)]

dérôg'atôry, *a.* Tending to detract *from*, involving impairment, disparagement, or discredit, to; lowering, unsuited to one's dignity or position; depreciatory. [f. L *derogatorius* (DEROGATE, -ORY)]

dê'r'rick, *n.* Contrivance for moving or hoisting heavy weights, kind of crane with adjustable arm pivoted at foot to central post, deck, or floor; framework over oil-well or similar boring. [obs. senses *hangman, gallows*, f. name of hangman c. 1600]

dê'r'ring-dê', *n.* (pseudo-arch.). Desperate courage. [f. Chaucer's *In derring-don that longeth to a knyght* (in daring to

do that which belongeth etc.) misinterpreted by Spenser]

déringer (-j-), n. Small large-bore pistol. [U.S. inventor's name]

dériv'ish, n. Mohammedan friar vowed to poverty & austerity (*dancing or whirling* ~, *howling* ~, according to the practice of his order). [f. Pers. *darvash* poor]

dés'cant', n. (poet.). Melody, song; (Mus.) melodic independent treble accompaniment. [f. OF *deschant* f. med. L *DIS(cantus) CHANT*]

dés'cant', v.i. Talk at large, dwell freely, upon (esp. in praise, ~ upon the beauties of). [f. OF *deschanter* (prec., L *cantare*)]

dés'cend', v.i. & t. Come or go down, sink, fall, (*~ing* letter in Typ., with tail below line); slope downwards; make sudden attack upon; proceed in narrative etc. from earlier to later time, from greater to less (so Math., ~ing series of numbers), from general to particular; stoop to do; (rare) be DESCENDED from; be transmitted by inheritance from (of qualities, property, privileges), pass (to heir, or abs.); go down (hill, stairs). [f. F *descendre* f. L *DE(s)cendere* = *scandere* climb]

dés'cén'dant, n. Person or thing DESCENDED (of, or with his etc.) [F (prec., -ANT)]

dés'cén'déd, p.p. Sprung, having origin, from ancestor or stock (is ~ etc. usual instead of the rare *descends* etc.). [-ED¹(2)]

dés'cén'dible, -able, a. Transmissible by inheritance. [OF (-able); see -BLE]

dés'cén't, n. Descending, downward motion; downward slope; way down; sudden attack, esp. from sea; decline, sinking in scale, fall; being descended, lineage; single generation (*lineal succession of four* ~s); transmission of property, title, or quality, by inheritance. [f. F *descende* (*descendre* DESCEND)]

describ'e, v.t. Set forth in words, recite the characteristics of; qualify as (*should ~e him as a scoundrel*); mark out, draw, (esp. geom. figure); move in (such a line, curve); (abs.) deal in, give a, description. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. L *DE(s)cribere* script-write]

dés'crip'tion, n. Describing, verbal portrait(ure), of person, object, or event (*answers to the* ~, has the qualities specified), more or less complete definition; sort, kind, class, (*no food of any* ~, *tyrant of the worst* ~). [F, f. L *descriptio* -nem (DESCRIBE, -ION)]

descrip'tive, a. Serving to describe (~ *touches*), fond of describing (~ *writer*). Hence ~LY¹ (-ly-) adv. [f. LL *descriptivus* (DESCRIBE, -IVE)]

dés'cry', v.t. Catch sight of, succeed in discerning (lit. & fig.). [prob. var. of DESCRIBE, & often confused in early use with DECRY]

dés'éc'rjâte, v.t. Deprive of sacred character; outrage, profane, (sacred thing); dedicate (to evil). Hence ~A'TION, ~âTOR¹, nn. [DE- + (CON)SECRATE]

dés'én'si'tize, v.t. Reduce or destroy the sensitiveness of (photographic plates etc.). [DE-]

dés'ért' (-z-), n. Deserving, worthiness of recompense good or bad; character that deserves good, virtue, whence ~LESS a.; deserving people; (pl.) acts or qualities deserving good or bad recompense, such recompense, (*reward him according to, give him, he has got, his* ~s). [OF obs. p.p. of *deservir* DESERVE]

dés'ert' (-z-), a. & n. 1. Uninhabited, desolate; uncultivated, barren. 2. n. Waterless & treeless region, (fig.) uninteresting or barren subject, period, etc.; ~ *rat* (colloq.), soldier of 7th (British) armoured division, which had a jerboa's figure as divisional sign, & which fought in the ~ campaign in N. Africa (1941-2). [OF (a. & n.), f. L p.p. see foll.]

dés'ért' (-z-), v.t. & i. Abandon, give up, (thing); depart from (place, haunt); forsake (person or thing having claims on one, as wife, post, the colours, ship); fail (*his presence of mind* ~ed him); run away (esp. from service in army or navy), whence ~ER¹ (-z-) n. So dés'ért'ion (-z-) n. [f. F *désérer* f. LL *desertare* frequent. of L *DE(s)erere* sert-join]

dés'érv'e (-z-), v.t. & i. Be entitled by conduct or qualities to (good or bad); have established a claim to be well or ill treated at the hands of. Hence ~EDLY¹ (-z-) adv. [f. OF *deservir* f. L *DE(s)ervire* serve]

dés'érv'ing (-z-), a. Meritorious; worthy (of praise, censure, etc.). [-ING¹]

dés'habillé (see Ap.), n. = DISHABILLE. [F]

dés'icc'jâte, v.t. Dry, dry up, (esp. milk etc. for preservation). So ~A'TION, ~âTOR¹(2), nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *DE(s)iccare* f. *siccus* dry], -ATE¹]

désid'érâte, v.t. (pedant.). Feel to be missing, regret absence of, wish to have. [f. L *DE(s)iderare* see CONSIDER], -ATE¹]

désid'érative, a. & n. (gram.). (Verb, conjugation, etc.) formed on another verb etc. & expressing desire of doing the action. [f. L *desiderativus* (prec., -IVE)]

désiderât'um, n. (pl. -ta). Thing missing, felt want. [L (neut. p.p. see DESIDERATE)]

dés'ign' (-zin), n. Mental plan; scheme of attack upon (*has ~s upon me*); purpose (*whether by accident or* ~); end in view; adaptation of means to ends (*the argument from* ~, maintaining existence of a God by pointing to such adaptation); preliminary sketch for picture etc.; delineation, pattern; artistic or literary groundwork, general idea, construction,

plot, faculty of evolving these, invention. [f. 15th-c. *F. dessaigner* f. *dessigner* see foll.]

design¹ (-zín), v.t. & i. Set (thing) apart for person; destine (person, thing) for a service; contrive, plan; purpose, intend, (~s an attack, to do, doing, or that —, thing or person to be or do something), whence ~**édit**² (-zín-) adv.; make preliminary sketch of (picture); draw plan of (building etc. to be executed by others); be a designer; conceive mental plan for, construct the groundwork or plot of, (book, work of art). [f. *F. désigner* appoint f. *L. designare* DESIGNATE², with senses also of obs. *F. dessaigner* purpose & mod. *F. dessiner* draw]

dés'ignate¹ (-z-), a. (placed after its noun). Appointed to office but not yet installed (*bishop* ~ etc.). [f. *L. p.p.* (foll., -ATE²)]

dés'ignate² (-z-), v.t. Specify, particularize; serve as name or distinctive mark of; style, describe as; appoint to office (as, to, for). [f. *L. DE(sigare) f. signum* mark, -ATE³]

dés'ignā'tion (-z-), n. Appointing to office; name, description, title. [f. *L. as prec., -ATION*]

design'er (-zín-), n. In vbl senses; esp. draughtsman who makes plans for manufacturers. [-ER¹]

design'ing (-zín-), a. In vbl senses; esp. crafty, artful, scheming. [-ING¹]

désil'verize, v.t. Extract the silver from (esp. lead). [DE-, SILVER, -IZE]

désip'ence, n. Trifling, silliness. [f. *L. desipientia* f. *DE(sipere = sapere* be wise)]

désir'able (-z-), a. Worth wishing for. Hence ~**BIL'ITY**, ~**bleness**, nm., ~**blly** adv., (-z-). [DESIRE², -ABLE]

désire¹ (-z-), n. Unsatisfied appetite, longing, wish, craving; request; thing desired. [f. OF *desir* cf. foll.]

désire² (-z-), v.t. Long for, crave, wish, (noun, infin., noun & infin., or that-clause); (abs.) feel desire; ask for; pray, entreat, command, (~ him to wait; she ~d we would wait). [f. OF *desirer* f. *L. desiderare* DESIDERATE]

désir'ous (-z-), pred. a. Wishful to do, ambitious of (success etc.), having the desire of doing, wishful that. [f. OF *desireus* f. *LL. desiderosus* (st. of *desiderare* see prec. + -OSE¹)]

désist' (-zì-, -sì-), v.i. Cease (from doing, from sim). [f. OF *desister* f. *L. DESistere* stop]

désk, n. Fixed or movable piece of furniture or box having (often in combination with drawers, seat, etc.) a board usu. sloped serving as rest for writing or reading at; the ~, clerical, office, or literary work. Hence ~**ful**(2) n. [f. mod. *L. desca* f. *L. discus* disk]

dés'man, n. Aquatic insectivorous shrew-like mammal of Russia and the Pyrenees. [F & G, f. Sw. *desman-råtta* musk-rat]

dés'olate¹, a. Left alone, solitary;

uninhabited; ruinous, neglected, barren, dreary; forlorn, disconsolate, wretched. Hence ~**ly**¹ (-tì-) adv., ~**NES** (-tù-) n. [f. *L. DESolare* f. *solus* alone, -ATE¹]

dés'olâ'te², v.t. Depopulate; devastate; make (person) wretched. Hence ~**or**² n. [f. prec., see -ATE³]

désolâ'tion, n. Desolating; neglected, ruined, solitary, or barren state; being forsaken, loneliness; dreary sorrow. [f. *L. desolatio* (as prec., -ATION)]

dés'pair¹, n., & v.i. 1. Loss, utter want, of hope; thing that causes this, whether by badness or unapproachable excellence. 2. v.i. Lose, be without, hope (of, or abs.; *his life is ~ed off*); hence ~**ingly**² adv. [f. OF *désPAIR*-stressed st. of *desperer* f. *L. DESperare* hope]

|| **despatch**. See **disp**.

dés'perâd', n. (pl. -ees). Person ready for or given to reckless, esp. criminal, undertakings. [OSP. (adj. only), f. *L. desperatus* see foll.]

dés'perate, a. Leaving no or little room for hope, extremely dangerous or serious, utterly impracticable; reckless from despair, violent, lawless, stacking all on a small chance, whence **dés'perâ'tion** n.; extremely bad (a ~ night, storm, etc.); very great (~ fear, a ~ fool). Hence ~**ly**² (-tì-) adv., ~**NES** (-tù-) n. [f. *L. DESperare* hope, -ATE¹]

dés'picable, a. Vile, contemptible. Hence ~**ly**² adv. [f. *L. despicable* f. *DE(spicari* cf. *specere* look at, -BLE)]

dés'pise¹ (-z-), v.t. Look down upon, contemn. [f. *despis*-st. of OF *despire* f. *L. DE(spicere = specere* look at)]

dés'pite², n. & prep. Outrage, injury, contumely, (arch.); malice, spite, offended pride (*died of mere ~*); in ~ of, ~ of, ~, notwithstanding the opposition of, in the teeth of, in spite of, (also in my etc. ~, in spite of my etc. efforts, arch.). Hence ~**ful** a., ~**fully** adv., (-tì-). [f. OF *despit* f. *L. despectus* -us f. *despicere* see prec.]

dés'pôil¹, v.t. Plunder, spoil, rob, deprive, (person or place; often of). Hence or cogn. ~**er**¹, ~**MENT**, **dés'pôllâ'tion**, nm. [f. OF *despoiller* (now *dépouiller*) f. *L. DE(spoliare* spoil)]

dés'pônd', v.i., & n. 1. Lose heart, be dejected; so ~**ENCY** n., ~**ENT** a., ~**ently**², ~**ingly**² adv. 2. n. (Arch., only in GLOUGH of D~) defection. [f. *L. DESpon-dere* promise] give up, resign]

dés'pot, n. Absolute ruler, whence ~**ism**(2) n.; tyrant, oppressor. So **dés'pôt'io** a., **dés'pôt'ically** adv. [OF, f. GK *despotês*]

dés'potism, n. Arbitrary rule; State under a despot. [f. *F. despotisme* (prec., -ISM)]

dés'quam'ite, v.t. & i. Strip of (in p.p.), come off in, scales. Hence ~**ATION** n., **dés'quâm'ative**, **dés'quâm'atory**, aa. [f. *L. DESquamare* f. *squama* scale]

dessert' (-z-), n. || Course of fruit, sweetmeats, etc., at end of dinner; ~SPOON. [F, I. *desservir* (des- L. *dis-*, *servir* SERVIR) clear the table]

désin'ation, n. Place for which person or thing is bound. [f. L. *destinatio* (foll., -ATION)]

dés'tine, v.t. Appoint, fore-ordain, devote, set apart, (person or thing to do, to or for a service, achievement, etc.; of God, Fate, etc., or of persons; but chiefly in pass.); was ~d to, was, as we now know, to. [f. F. *destiner* f. L. *DE(stinare)* prob. causative of *stare* stand]

dés'tiny, n. Predetermined events; person's, country's, etc., appointed or ultimate lot; power that fore-ordains, invincible necessity. [f. OF *destinée* (prec., -Y*)]

dés'titute, a. Without resources, in want of necessities; devoid of. So **dés'titution** n. [f. L. *DE(stituere -tut- = statuere)* forsake]

dés'trier, n. (hist.). War-horse. [OF, f. LL *dextrarius* hand-led (DEXTER, -ARY*)]

destroy, v.t. Pull down, demolish, undo, make useless, kill, annihilate, nullify, neutralize effect of. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *destruire* ult. f. L. *DE(struere)* struct-build]

destroy'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. as abbr. for TORPEDO-boat ~. [-ER*]

détruc'tible, a. Able to be destroyed. Hence ~BIL'ITY n. [f. L. *destructibilis* (DESTROY, -BLE)]

détruc'tion, n. DESTROYING or being destroyed; what destroys, cause of ruin, (is our ~). [OF, f. L. *destructionem* (DESTROY, -ION)]

détruc'tive, a. & n. 1. Destroying; deadly to, causing destruction of; (of criticism or policy) merely negative, refuting etc. without amending, not constructive; hence ~LY* (-VL-) adv., ~NESS (-VN-) n. 2. n. Person, thing, that aims at or effects destruction. [OF (-if, -ive), f. L. *destructivus* (DESTROY, -IVE)]

|| **détruc'tor**, n. Refuse-burning furnace. [L. = destroyer (DESTROY, -OR*)]

dés'uetude (-swi-), n. Passing into, state of, disuse. [f. F. *désuétude* f. L. *DE(suetudo)* f. *suescere* sue- be wont, -TUDE)]

désul'phuriz(e -ter-), v.t. Free from sulphur. Hence ~ATION n. [DE-]

dés'ultoir'y, a. Skipping from one subject to another, disconnected, unmethodical. Hence ~ILY* adv., ~INESS n. [f. L. *desultorius* f. *desultor* circus-rider f. *DE(sult- = salt-)* p.p. st. of *salire* leap]

désyn'onymize, v.t. Differentiate in sense (synonymous words). [DE-, SYNONYM, -IZE]

détach', v.t. Unfasten & remove (from, or abs.; ~ed mind, view, etc., regarding things impartially, free from prejudice;

~ed house, not joined to another on either side); (Mil. & Nav.) send (ship, regiment, etc.) on separate mission. Hence ~ABLE a., ~EDLY* adv., ~EDNESS n. [f. F. *détacher* (DE-, Rom. *tacca* nail, tack)]

détach'ment, n. Detaching; portion of army etc., or large body, separately employed; standing aloof from or unaffected by surroundings, public opinion, etc., independence of judgement, selfish isolation. [f. F. *détachement* (prec., -MENT)]

dét'ail, n. Dealing with things item by item (in ~; go into ~, give the items separately; army beaten in ~, in small sectional engagements); minute account number of particulars; item, small or subordinate particular, (but that is a ~, often iron. to call special attention), whence ~ED* (-ld) a., with particulars; minor decoration in building, picture, etc., way of treating this; (Mil.) distribution of orders of the day, small detachment. [f. F. *détail* f. *détailler* see foll.]

détail', v.t. Give the particulars of, relate circumstantially; (Mil.) tell off for special duty. [f. F. *détailler* (DE-, *tailler* cut, see TAILOR)]

détain', v.t. Keep in confinement; withhold (money due etc.); keep waiting, hinder. [f. OF *DE(tenir)* f. L. *-tinere -tent- = tenere* hold)]

détain'er, n. (legal). Detaining of goods taken from owner for distraint etc.; keeping of person in confinement; writ by which person already arrested may be detained on another suit. [f. AF *detener* f. OF *detenir* see prec., -ER*]

détect', v.t. Find out (guilty person, person in doing); discover existence or presence of. Hence or cogn. **détéc'table** a., **détéc'tion** n. [f. L. *DE(tegere)* tect-cover]

détéc'tive, a. & n. 1. Serving to detect. 2. n. Policeman employed to investigate special cases (*private* ~, person undertaking special inquiries for pay; *amateur* ~, person who sets up theories on police cases); ~ story etc. (that tempts readers to solve ~ problems). [prec., -IVE]

détéc'tor, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: coherer used in wireless telegraphy; valve in wireless receiving set. [-OR*]

détént', n. Catch by removal of which machinery is set working, (in clocks etc.) catch that regulates striking. [f. F. *détente* f. *détendre* slacken (DE-, L. *tendere* stretch)]

détente (see Ap.), n. Cessation of strained relations between States. [F, as prec.]

déten'tion, n. Detaining, being detained; arrest, confinement, (House of D~, lock-up); compulsory delay; (at schools) keeping in as punishment; ~ barracks, military prison. [f. L. *detentio* (DETAIN, -ION)]

détenu (dâtenôb'), n. Person detained in custody (esp. Indian political prisoner). [F, p.p. of *détenir* detain]

détér', v.t. (-rr-). Discourage or hinder (from, or abs.) by or as fear, dislike of trouble, etc. Hence **détér'rrent**(2) a. & n., **détér'rrence**, ~**MENT**, nn. [f. L *de(terrere)* frighten]

détér'gent, a. & n. Cleansing (agent). [f. L *de(tergere ters- wipe)*, -**ENT**]

détér'iorâte, v.t. & i. Make, grow, worse. Hence or cogn. ~**A'TION** n., ~**ÂTIVE** a. [f. L *deteriorare* (deterior worse f. *de* down), -**ATE**]

détér'minant, a. & n. Determining, decisive, conditioning, defining, (agent, factor, element, word). [DETERMINE, -**ANT**]
détér'minate, a. Limited, definite, distinct, finite, definitive. Hence ~**LY**² (-tl-) adv., ~**NESS** (-tn-) n. [f. L p.p. (DETERMINE, -**ATE**)]

détér'minâ'tion, n. (Law) cessation of estate or interest; conclusion of debate; judicial sentence; fixing of date etc.; delimitation, definition; exact ascertainment of amount etc.; fixed direction, decisive bias, (~ of blood to some part, tendency to flow there); settling of purpose, fixed intention; resoluteness. [f. L *determinatio* (DETERMINE, -**ATION**)]

détér'minâ'tive, a. & n. (Thing) that impels in a certain direction; (attribute, mark, symbol) serving to define or qualify. [f. F *déterminatif* (foll., -**IVE**)]

détér'm'inê, v.t. & i. Bring, come, to an end (esp. in law); limit in scope, define; fix beforehand (date); settle, decide, (dispute, person's fate, what is to be done, that —, whether, etc.), come to a conclusion, give decision; be the decisive factor in regard to (*demand ~es supply*); ascertain precisely, fix; give an aim to, direct, impel to; decide (person) to do; resolve (to do, that —, on doing, on a course; be ~ed, have resolved). Hence ~**ABLE** a. [f. OF *determiner* f. L *de(terminare f. terminus end)*]

détér'm'ined (-nd), a. In verbal senses; also, resolute, unflinching. [-**ED**]

détér'm'in'ism, n. Theory that human action is not free but determined by motives regarded as external forces acting on the will. So ~**IST**(2) n. & a., ~**IS'TIC** a. [DETERMINE + **-ISM**]

détér's'ive, a. & n. Cleansing (substance). [f. F *détersif* (DETERGENT, -**IVE**)]

détést', v.t. Abhor, dislike intensely. Hence or cogn. ~**ABLE** a., ~**ABLENESS** (-ln-) n., ~**ABLY**¹ adv. [f. F *détester* f. L *detestari* call God to witness against]

détéstâ'tion, n. Abhorrence (*have, hold, in ~*, abhor); detested person or thing. [F (*dâ-*), f. L *detestationem* (prec., -**ATION**)]

déthronê', v.t. Depose (ruler, dominant influence). Hence ~**MENT** (-nm-) n. [DE-]

dét'infie, n. (legal). Action of ~, suit for recovery of thing wrongfully detained. [f. OF *détenue* f. p.p. of *détenir* DETAIN]

dêt'on'âte (or *dâ-*), v.l. & t. (Cause to) explode with loud report. Hence or cogn. ~**A'TION** n., ~**ÂTIVE** a. [f. L *detonare* thunder), -**ATE**]

dêt'onâ'tor, n. Detonating contrivance, esp. as part of bomb or shell; railway fog-signal. [-**OR**]

détour (dîtoor'), **détour** (F), n. Deviation, roundabout way, digression, (esp. make a ~). [F (*dé-*), f. *détourner* (DE-, TURN)]

détrâct', v.t. & i. Take away (*much, something, etc.*, or abs.) from a whole (esp. in sense reduce the credit due to, depreciate). Hence or cogn. **détrâct'ion**, **détrâct'or**², nn., **détrâct'ive** a. [f. L *de(trahere tract-draw)*]

détrain', v.t. & i. Discharge, alight, from train (troops etc.; cf. **ENTRAIN**), [DE- + **TRAIN** n.]

dê'triment, n. Harm, damage, (esp. without ~ to). [F (*dé-*), f. L *de(trimentum f. terere trib-rub, wear, -MENT)*]

dê'triment'al, a. & n. Harmful, causing loss, whence ~**LY**² adv.; (n., sl.) undesirable suitor, e.g. younger son. [-**AL**]

dê'trit'ed, a. (geol.). Disintegrated, formed as detritus. [DETRITUS as p.p. + **-ED**]

dê'trit'ion, n. Wearing away by rubbing. [f. L *de(trit- see DETRIMENT, -ION)*]

dê'trit'us, n. Matter produced by detrition, as gravel, sand, silt; debris. Hence ~**AL** a. [wrong use of L *de(tritus -us = wearing down for detritum neut. p.p. see DETRIMENT)*]

de trop (de trô'), pred. a. Not wanted, unwelcome, in the way. [F]

deuce¹, n. The two at dice or cards; (Tennis) state of score (40 all, games all) at which either party must gain two consecutive points or games to win. [f. F *deux* f. L *duos* nom. -o two]

deuce², n. Plague, mischief; the devil (~ take it; who, where, what, etc., the ~?; the ~ is in it if I cannot, I certainly can; play the ~ with, spoil, ruin; the ~ to pay, trouble to be expected; a ~ of a mess; ~ knows; ~ a bit, not at all; the ~ he isn't, it is incredible that he is not). [perh. = prec., the two at dice being the worst throw; cf. G *dauis* in same sense]

deu'céd (dû-, dô-), a. & adv. Confounded(ly); great (in a ~ hurry). Hence ~**LY**² adv. [-**ED**]

dê'us ex mâc'hînd (-k-), n. Power, event, that comes in the nick of time to solve difficulty, providential interposition, esp. in novel or play. [L, = god from the machinery (by which in ancient theatre gods were shown in air)]

Dê'us misê'rêb'l'ur (-z-), n. The canticle God be merciful, Psalm 87. [L]

deuteragôn'ist (also -âg'o-), n. Person of next importance to PROTAGONIST in drama. [f. Gk *deuteragônistês* (DEUTERO-, agônistês actor)]

deutér'ium, *n.* Heavy isotope of hydrogen with mass about double that of ordinary hydrogen; so **deut'éron** *n.*, nucleus of the ~ atom. [DEUTERO- + -IUM; *deuteron* after PROTON]

deut'éro-, *comb. form* of Gk *deuteros* second, as ~ *Isaiah*, supposed later author of *Is.* xl-lxvi, ~ *canon'ical* of Bible books, admitted later to Canon, *deuteró'amý*, second marriage.

Deuterón'omist, *n.* Author, joint-author, or compiler, of *Deuteronomy*. [-IST]

Deuterón'omý (also dūtá), *n.* Fifth book of Pentateuch. Hence **Deuterónóm'io** (AL) *aa.* [f. L f. Gk DEUTERO(nomion f. *nomos* law) second book of law]

deut'zia (also doítá), *n.* White-flowered shrub. [J. *Deutz* d. 1781, -IA¹]

deux-temps (see Ap.), *n.* Kind of waltz more rapid than the trois-temps. [F, =two-time]

dév'astâte, *v.t.* Lay waste, ravage. Hence or cogn. ~**ASTION**, ~**ATOR**², *nn.* [f. L *DE(vastare f. vastus waste)*, -ATE²]

dévél'op, *v.t. & i.* Unfold (t. & i.), reveal, bring or come from a latent to an active or visible state; (Mil.) open (an attack); make or become fuller, more elaborate or systematic, or bigger; (Photog.) treat (plate, film) so as to make picture visible; make progress; exhibit (*has ~ed a tendency to*), come or bring to maturity. Hence ~**ABLE** *a.*, ~**ER**¹ (1, 2) *n.* [f. F *développer* etym. dub.; cf. It. *viluppo* wrapping]

dévél'opment, *n.* Gradual unfolding, fuller working out; growth; evolution (of animal & plant races); well-grown state; stage of advancement; product; more elaborate form; developing of photograph; || ~ *area*, one suffering from or liable to severe unemployment. [-MENT]

dévelopmén'tal, *a.* Incidental to growth, (~ *diseases*); evolutionary. Hence ~**LY**² *adv.* [-AL]

dév'iate, *v.i.* Turn aside, diverge, (from course, rule, truth, etc., or abs.), digress. [f. L *DE(viare f. via way)*, -ATE²]

dév'ia'tion, *n.* In vbl senses; esp.; deflexion of compass-needle by iron in ship etc.; divergence of optic axis from normal position. [-TION]

dévice', *n.* Make, look, (arch.; *things of rare, strange, ~*); (pl.) fancy, will, (left to one's own ~s); plan, scheme, trick; contrivance, invention, thing adapted for a purpose; drawing, design, figure; emblematic or heraldic design; motto. [ML & OF *devis, devise*, f. L *divisum*, -a, neut. & fem. p.p. of *dividere* DIVIDE]

dév'il¹, *n.* 1. The D~, supreme spirit of evil, tempter of mankind, enemy of God, Satan. 2. Heathen god; evil spirit

possessing demonic; superhuman malignant being. 3. Wicked or cruel person; mischievously energetic, clever, knavish, or self-willed person, luckless or wretched person (usu. *poor* ~); vicious animal.

4. Junior legal counsel working for a leader (*Attorney-General's* ~, Junior Counsel to Treasury). 5. Literary hack doing what his employer takes the credit and pay for; *printer's* ~, errand-boy in printing-office. 6. Personified evil quality (*the ~ of greed* etc.); fighting-spirit, ene or dash in attack. 7. (Name of) kinds of animal, bird, firework, & implement; violent S.-African dust-storm (also *dust* ~); highly seasoned dish, esp. devilled bones. 8. Phrases (see also those in DEUCE², in all of which ~ may be substituted): *a ~ of a ~*, one of an unwellcome or remarkable or amusing kind; — *is the ~*, a great difficulty or nuisance; *like the ~*, with great energy etc.; *go to the ~*, be ruined, (imperat.) be off; *the ~*, excl. of annoyance or surprise; ~ *a one*, not one; *the ~ & all*, everything bad; *between the ~ & the deep sea*, in a dilemma; ~ *on-horseback*, see ANGEL; ~ *take the hindmost* (motto of selfish competition); *give the ~ his DUE*; *the ~ to pay*, trouble ahead; *talk of the ~* (& *he will appear*), said when one comes just after being mentioned; || *the ~ among the tailors*, row, disturbance; ~ *on two sticks*, older name for DIABLO; ~ *'s advocate*, -*acy* (one who puts) the ~ *'s* case against canonization, (transf.) deprecator, depreciation; ~ *'s bedpost*, four of clubs; ~ *'s bones*, dice; ~ *'s books*, cards; || *D~'s Own*, 88th Foot, Inns of Court Volunteers; ~ *'s TARTOO*; ~ *'s* in many plant-names, esp. ~ *'s-bit*, kind of scabious; ~ *'s coach-horse*, large cocktail beetle; || ~ *'s dust*, shoddy. 9. ~ *dodger*, preacher, parson; ~ *fish*, name of many kinds; ~ *may-care*, reckless, rollicking. Hence ~**DOM**, ~**HOOD**, *nn.*, ~**WARD**(S) *adv.* [OE *deofol* (perh. f. L) f. Gk *diabolos* slanderer (*diaballō* slander f. *dia* through, *ballō* throw)]

dév'il², *v.i. & t.* (-ll-). Work as lawyer's or author's devil (usu. *for principal*); grill with hot condiments. [f. prec.]

dév'ilish, *a.*, & *adv.* 1. Like, worthy of, the devil, damnable; hence ~**LY**² *adv.*, ~**NESS** *n.* 2. *adv.* (colloq.). Very. [-ISH¹]

dév'ilism, *n.* Devilish quality or conduct; worship of devils. [-ISM]

dév'ilment, *n.* Mischief, wild spirits; devilish or strange phenomenon. [-MENT]

dév'ilrý, -**trý**, *n.* Diabolical art, magic; the devil and his works; wickedness, cruelty; reckless mischief, daring, or hilarity; demonology; devils. ([-*try* corrupt. of] -RY)

dév'ious, *a.* Remote, sequestered; winding, circuitous, erratic; erring.

~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *DE(v)is* f. *via* way] + -OUS]

dévise' (-z), v.t., & n. (Law) assign, give (reality; cf. *BEQUEATH*) by will (n., this act, clause effecting it), whence ~OR², ~ER', (-z-), nn.; plan, contrive, invent, plot, scheme, (thing, *how*, or abs.). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ER² (4) n., (-z-). [f. OF *deviser* f. LL frequent. of L *dividere* -is-DIVIDE]

dévit'alíz'e, v.t. Make lifeless or effete. Hence ~A'TION n. [DE-]

dévit'rífý, v.t. Deprive of vitreous quality, make (glass or vitreous rock) opaque & crystalline. Hence ~ICA'TION n. [DE-]

dévoid' a. Destitute, empty, of. [short p.p. of obs. *devoid* f. OF *DE(vuidier* f. *vide* VOID)]

dév'oir (-vwañ), n. Duty, one's best, (*do* one's ~); (pl.) courteous attentions (*pay* one's ~s to). [ME *dever* f. OF *devere* f. L *debere* owe]

dév'olúte (-ôôt), v.t. Transfer by devolution, depute, (work). [f. L p.p. st. see DEVOLVE]

dévolu'tion (-lôv-), n. Descent through a series of changes; descent of property by due succession; lapse of unexercised right to ultimate owner; (Biol.) degradation of species (cf. EVOLUTION); deputation, delegation, of work or power (esp. by House of Parliament to its committees). [f. med. L *devolutio* (foll., -ION)]

dévol've, v.t. & i. Throw (duty, work), (of duties) be thrown, fall, descend, upon (deputy, or one who must act for want of others); descend, fall by succession, (to, upon, or abs.). [f. L *DEVOLVERE* *volut*-roll]

Dévön'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Devonshire; (Geol.) (of) the formation lying above the Silurian & below the Carboniferous. [-IAN]

Dév'onshire (-er), n. ~ (i.e. clotted) cream. **dév**'ôte', v.t. Consecrate, dedicate, give up exclusively, (oneself, another, thing, esp. abilities etc.) to (God, person, pursuit, purpose); give over to destruction etc. Hence ~MENT (-tm-) n. [f. L *DEVOTERE* *vol*-vow]

dév'ôt'éd, a. In vbl senses; esp.: zealously loyal (~ *friend*), whence ~LY² adv.; doomed (esp. ~ *head*). [-ED¹]

dév'ôtee', n. Votary of, one devoted to; zealously or fanatically pious person. [-EE]

dév'ôt'ion, n. Devoutness; devoting; divine worship, (pl.) prayers, praying, (*was at his ~s*), whence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv., ~ALISM(3), ~ALIST(2), nn., (-sho-); enthusiastic addiction or loyalty (to, or abs.). [OF (-cion) f. L *devotionem* (DEVOTE, -ION)]

dév'our' (-owr), v.t. Eat (of beasts); eat like a beast or ravenously; (Bibl.) consume recklessly, waste, destroy, pillage, (substance, property, or its owners); kill,

decimate, (of fire, sword, plague, etc.); engulf; take in greedily with ears or eyes (book, story, beauty or beautiful person); absorb the attention of (~ed by anxiety); (poet.) ~ the way etc., go fast, esp. of horses. Hence ~INGLY² adv. [f. OF *devorer* f. L *DEVORARE* swallow]

dév'out', a. Reverential, religious, pious, (of person, act, etc.), whence ~NESS n.; earnest, hearty, genuine. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *devot* f. L p.p. (DEVOTE)]

dew'¹, n. Atmospheric vapour condensed in small drops on cool surfaces from evening to morning; freshness, refreshing or gently stealing influence, (usu. of sleep, eloquence, youth, music, etc.); any beaded or glistening moisture, esp. tears, sweat; *mountain ~*, illicitly distilled whisky; ~berry, kind of blackberry; ~claw, rudimentary inner toe of some dogs; ~drop; ~fall, time when ~ begins to form, evening; ~point, temperature at which it forms; || ~pond, shallow, usu. artificial, pond fed by atmospheric condensation, (chiefly) found or constructed on English downs; ~rake, for surface of grass or stubble; ~ret v.t., RET by exposure to ~ instead of steeping in water; ~worm, large garden worm. Hence ~LESS, ~Y², aa., ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [OE *dæaw*, com.-Teut. cf. Du. *dauw*, G *tau*]

dew'², v.t. & i. (Impers.) form or fall as dew (*it is beginning to ~*); (poet.) bedew, moisten. [ME *deven* as prec.]

déwan' (-wahn), n. Head financial minister of Indian state; prime minister of a native state. [Arab. & Pers. *diwān* (= *devan*, see DIVAN)]

dew'láp, n. Fold of loose skin hanging from throat of cattle (& transf. of other animals or men). Hence ~PED² (-pt) a. [dew- of doubtful etym. & sense, cf. Da. *døglæb*; -lap f. OE *lappa* skirt, lobe]

dêx'ter, a. Of or on the right-hand side (In Her., to the spectator's left). [L, comparative (cf. -THER) f. *dex*- cf. Gk *dexios*, Goth. *taihswa*, Skr. *dakṣha*]

dêx'tér'itý, n. Manual or mental adroitness, skill, neatness of handling; right-handedness, using of right hand. [f. L DEXTER (-ITY)]

dêx'trin, n. (chem.). Soluble gummy substance obtained from starch & used on adhesive stamps etc. [as foll. + -IN]

dêx'tro-, comb. form of L DEXTER, esp. in terms concerned w. chem. property of causing plane of polarized light ray to rotate to right (opp. LAEVO-, which see for compounds).

dêx'trôse, n. (chem.). Dextro-rotatory form of glucose. [prec., -OSE¹]

dêx'trous, -ter-, a. Neat-handed, deft; mentally adroit, clever; using right hand by preference. Hence **dêx**'(te)rousLY² adv. [DEXTER + -OUS; -tr- correct but less common]

Dey (dā), n. (hist.). Commander of janisaries at Algiers; governor of Algiers or Tripoli. [F. f. Turk. *dāi* maternal uncle]

d(h)al (dahl), n. Split pulse, a common foodstuff in India. [Hind.]

dhar'ma (dār-, dēr-), n. (India). Right behaviour, virtue; (in Buddhism) the law. [Skr., = a decree, custom]

dharmsala (dārmsah'la), n. (India). Building devoted to charitable uses (esp. a travellers' rest-house). [Skr., f. *dharma* custom, *śālā* house]

dhōb'i (dō-), n. Indian native washerman; ~(-s) *itch*, troublesome oriental form of eczema. [Hind., f. *dhōb* washing]

dhōt'i (dō-), n. Loin-cloth worn by male Hindus. [Hind.]

d(h)ow (dow), n. Single-masted Arabian-Sea ship of about 200 tons; any Arab ship, esp. as used in E.-Afr. slave-trading. [etym. dub.; spelling *dow* more correct but rare]

d(hu)rrie (dūr-), n. A thick coarse durable Indian cotton cloth fringed square used for floor-coverings etc. [f. Hind. *dari*; spelling as prec.]

di-¹, pref. Form of L *dis-* (which see for meaning) used before *b, d, l, m, n, r, s* + cons., *v*, usu. *g*, & sometimes *j*. In LL & Rom. often replaced by *dis-* (so *dismiss*), in OF & ME often varying with *de-* (so *defer* ¹ f. L *differre*). Not a living pref. in E.

di-², pref. f. Gk *di-* = *dis* twice, two-, double-. In many E wds. & as living pref. in Chem. with various special uses.

di-³, pref. = foll. before vowel.

di(a)-, pref. f. Gk prep. or pref. *dia* through, thoroughly(ly), apart, across. In Gk words taken direct, or through L or F & L; also in many scientific words made with Gk elements or on Gk analogy.

diabēt'ēs (-z), n. Disease with excessive glucose-charged urine, thirst, & emaciation. [L f. Gk, f. *DIA*(*bainō* go)]

diabēt'ic, a. & n. Of diabetes; (person) suffering from diabetes. [f. F *diabétique* f. L *diabeticus* (prec., -io)]

diab'lerie (-ahlerē), n. Devil's business; sorcery; wild recklessness; devil-lore. [F (*diabole* f. L *diabolus* DEVIL, -RY)]

diabōl'ic(al), aa. Of, having to do with, proceeding from, externally like, the devil (usu. -ic); fiendish, atrociously cruel or wicked, (usu. -ical). Hence **diabōl'icaly**¹ adv. [f. F *diabolique* f. L f. Gk *diabolikos* (DEVIL, -io) + -AL]

diab'olism, n. Sorcery; devilish conduct or nature; belief in or worship of the devil. [f. Gk *diabolos* DEVIL + -ISM]

diab'olize, v.t. Make into, represent as, a devil, [as prec. + -IZE]

diab'olē (or *di*), n. Game with two-headed top & sticks, [mod. fancy formation; older DEVIL on two sticks]

diāc'hylon, -hylum, (-k-), -ūlum, n. Sticking-plaster of litharge, olive oil, & water, on linen. [med. L (-ylum) f. Gk *diā khulon* by juices; -culum by confus. w. -CULE]

diāc'onal, a. Of a deacon. [f. LL *diacōnalis* (DEACON, -AL)]

diāc'onate, n. Office of, one's time as, deacon; deacons. [f. LL (-tus), as DEACON, -ATE¹]

diacrit'ical, a. Distinguishing, distinctive, esp. ~ marks used in printing to indicate different sounds of a letter, accents, diaeresis, cedilla, etc.; capable of seeing distinctions. [f. Gk *DIACRITIKOS* see CRITIC) + -AL]

diāctin'ic, a. Transmitting, transparent to, the actinic rays. [DI-³, Gk *aktis* -inos ray, -ic]

diadēl'phous, a. (bot.). With stamens united in two bundles (cf. MONADELPHOUS, POLYADELPHOUS). [DI-³, Gk *adelphos* brother]

di'adēm, n. Crown, or plain or jewelled fillet, as badge of sovereignty; wreath of leaves or flowers worn round head; sovereignty; crowning distinction or glory. Hence ~ED² (-md) a. [f. 18th-c. F *diadème* f. L f. Gk *DIA*(*dēma* f. *deō* bind, -M)]

diac'er'esis, n. (pl. -esēs). Mark (as in *aerate*) over second of two vowels indicating that they are not one sound. [L, f. Gk *diakresis* (DI-³, *haireō* take) separation]

diagnōsē' (-z), v.t. Determine from symptoms the nature of (a disease). [f. foll.]

diagnōs'is, n. (pl. -osēs). Identification of disease by means of patient's symptoms etc., formal statement of this; classification of person's character, assignment of species etc. [L f. Gk (*DIA*-, *gignōskō* recognize)]

diagnōs'tic, a. & n. Of, assisting, diagnosis; (n.) symptom. Hence ~IOS n., ~ICALLY adv., ~ICIAN (-shn) n. [f. Gk *diagnōstikos* f. *gnōstos* known, prec., -io]

diāg'onāl, a. & n. (Straight line) joining two non-adjacent angles of rectilinear figure or solid contained by planes; obliquely placed like the ~ of a parallelogram (~ *row* or ~, as of the squares of the same colour on chess-board); inclined at other than a right angle, having some part so inclined (~ *cloth* or ~, twilled with ridges oblique to the lists). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *diagonalis* f. Gk *DIA*(*gōnios* f. *gōnia* angle), -AL]

dī'agrām, n. (Geom.) figure made of lines used in proving etc.; sketch showing the features of an object needed for exposition; symbolic representation, by lines, of process, force, etc. Hence or cogn. **diagrammāt'ic** a., **diagrammāt'ically** adv., **diagrammāt'ize**(1) v.t. [f. F *diagramme* f. L f. Gk *DIAGRAMMA* -atos f. *graphō* write, -M)]

di'agraph (-ahf), *n.* Instrument for drawing projections, enlarging maps, etc., mechanically. [f. *F* *diagraphie* (prec., -GRAPF)]

di'al, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* (-ll-). 1. (Usu. *sun*~) instrument showing hour by sun's shadow on graduated plate; (also ~plate) face of clock or watch; plate in steam-gauge, gas-meter, etc., on which pressure, consumption, etc., are indicated by index-finger; (sl.) face. 2. *vb.* Measure, indicate, (as) with ~; (automatic telephony) make a call by moving disk from successive numbers or letters to fixed point and letting it return, ring up (number etc.) thus. [prob. *f. med. L* (*rotu*) *dialis* daily (wheel) *f. L* *dies* day, -AL; hardly found outside *E*]

di'alēct, *n.* Form of speech peculiar to a district, class, or person, subordinate variety of a language with distinguishable vocabulary, pronunciation, or idioms. Hence **diālēc'tal** *a.*, **diālēc'tally** *adv.*, **diālēc'tōl'ogy**, **diālēc'tōl'ogist**, *nn.* [f. *L f. Gk* *dialektos f. diálogosmai* converse]

diālēc'tic¹, *n.* (often in pl.) Art of investigating the truth of opinions, testing of truth by discussion, logical disputation; (Mod. Philos.; not in pl.) criticism dealing with metaphysical contradictions & their solutions. So **diālēc'tic'ian** (-shn) *n.* [f. *OF* *dialectique f. L f. Gk* *dialektikē (tekhnē art)* of debate (prec., -IC)]

diālēc'tic², *a.* & *n.* Logical, of disputation; (person) skilled in critical inquiry by discussion; = **DIALECTAL**. [f. *L f. Gk* *dialektikos* (-IC)]

diālēc'tical, *a.* = **DIALECTIC**² (adj.); = **DIALECTAL**; belonging to **DIALECTIC**¹ in mod.-philos. sense. Hence ~**LY** *adv.* [-AL]

diālō'gic, *a.* In, of, dialogue. [f. *med. L* *dialogicus* (*DIALOGUE*, -IC)]

diāl'ogist, *n.* Speaker in, writer of, dialogue. [f. *L f. Gk* *dialogistēs* (foll., -IST)]

di'alogue (-ōg), *n.* Conversation; piece of written work in conversational form, this kind of composition (*written in* ~); the conversational part in a novel. [f. 13th-c. *F* *dialoge f. L f. Gk* *diálogos* (*DIALOGOSmai* converse)]

diāl'ysis, *n.* (pl. -yses). Parting of colloid from crystalloid parts of mixture by filtration through parchment floating in water. Hence **diāl'yse** (-z) *v.t.* [f. *Gk* *diálusis f. lúō* loose]

diāl'y'tic, *a.* (chem.). Of, by, dialysis. [f. *Gk* *diálutikos f. lúōs* loosed *f. lúō* loose, -IC)]

diāmāgnēt'ic, *a.* & *n.* Tending to lie E. & W., across the magnetic axis, when suspended freely & acted on by magnetism; of ~ic bodies or diamagnetism; a ~ic body or substance. Hence ~**ICALLY** *adv.*, **diāmāg'nétizm**(s) *v.t.* [DIA-]

diāmāg'nétizm, *n.* Diamagnetic tendency; the diamagnetic branch of magnetism. [DIA-]

diāmāntē (dēamah'n'tā), *a.* & *n.* (Material) scintillating with powdered crystal etc. [F, see **DIAMOND**]

diāmāntif'erous, *a.* Diamond-yielding. [f. *F* *diamant* **DIAMOND**, -I-, -FEROUS]

diām'ēt'ēr, *n.* Straight line passing from side to side of any body or geom. figure through centre (with special geom. applications for curves), transverse measurement, width, thickness; unit of linear measurement of magnifying-power (*lens magnifying 2000* ~ers). So ~**TAL** *a.*, ~**rally** *adv.* [f. *OF* *diamètre f. L f. Gk* *diametros* (*grammē* line) measuring across *f. metron* measure]

diāmēt'rical, *a.* Of, along, a diameter, diametral; (of opposition, difference, etc.) direct, complete, like that between opposite ends of diameter. Hence ~**LY** *adv.* [f. *Gk* *diametrikos* (prec., -IC) + -AL]

di'amond, *n.*, *a.*, & *v.t.* 1. Colourless or tinted precious stone of pure carbon crystallized in octahedrons & allied forms, harder than any other known substance (cut into **TABLE**, **ROSE**, & **BRILLIANT**); *Bristol*, *Cornish*, etc., ~, kinds of rock crystal; *black* ~, dark-coloured ~, *coal*; *rough* ~, not yet cut, person of intrinsic worth but rough manners; ~ *cut* ~, of persons well matched in wit or cunning). 2. Glittering particle or point. 3. (Usu. *glazier's* or *cutting* ~) tool with small ~ for glass-cutting. 4. Figure shaped like section of ~, rhomb (~ *panes*, small panes so shaped set in lead), playing-card bearing this (~s, the suit; a *smān* ~, one of lower cards). 5. A printing **TYPE**. 6. ~back, kinds of moth & turtle; ~ *cement*, for setting ~s; ~drill, set with ~s for boring hard substance; ~field, tract yielding ~s; ~point, ~-tipped stylus used in engraving, (usu. pl.) place where two lines or rails intersect obliquely; ~snake, Australian & Tasmanian kinds; ~ *wedding*, 60th anniversary; hence ~**IF'EROUS** *a.*, ~wise *adv.* 7. *adj.* Made of, set with, ~ or ~s, rhomb-shaped. 8. *v.t.* Adorn with ~s, dewdrops, etc. [ME & *OF* *diamant f. LL* *diamantem* nom. -as *f. L f. Gk* *adamas* ADAMANT]

Diān'a, *n.* Horsewoman, lady who hunts; woman bent on remaining single. [L, goddess of hunting & chastity]

diapās'on (-zn), *n.* Combination of notes or parts in harmonious whole; melody, strain, esp. grand swelling burst of harmony; compass of voice or instrument; range, scope; fixed standard of musical pitch; *open*, *stopped*, ~, two chief foundation-stops in organ. [L, *f. Gk* *diapason* (*klordon*) through all (strings) *f. pas* all]

di'aper, n., & v.t. Linen fabric with small diamond pattern; baby's napkin of this; sanitary towel; ornamental design of diamond reticulation for panels, walls, etc. (vb. Decorate with this). [f. *OL' diapre* f. Byzant. Gk *diaspros* adj. f. *DIA-*, *aspros* white]

diāph'anous, a. Transparent. [f. med. L *diaphanus* f. Gk *DIA(phanēs -showing f. phainō show) + -OUS*]

diaphorēt'ic, a. & n. (Drug, treatment) productive of perspiration. [f. L f. Gk *diaphorētikos* f. *DIA(phorēō carry f. pherō), -ETIC*]

di'aphragm (-āin), n. Muscular & tendinous partition separating thorax from abdomen in mammals; partition in shell-fish, plant tissues, & various instruments, esp., in optics, telephony, & wireless, disk pierced with circular hole. So **diaphragmāt'ic** a. [f. L f. Gk *DIA(phragma -atos f. phrasō hedge in, -M)*]

di'archy (-ki), **dȳ-**, n. Government by two independent authorities, esp. the reformed Indian constitution started in 1921. [*DI-*, Gk *archō* rule; *dȳ-* less correct]

di'arist, n. One who keeps a diary. Hence **diarist'ic** a. [*DIARY + -IST*]

di'arize, v.i. & t. Keep, enter in, a diary. [*DIARY, -IZE*]

diarrhoe' [a (-rēa), n. Excessive looseness of bowels. Hence *~AL, ~IC, aa.* [L, f. Gk *DIA(rrhoia f. rheō flow)*]

di'ary, n. Daily record of events, journal; book prepared for keeping this in; calendar with daily memoranda esp. for persons of a particular profession. Hence **diār'ial** a. [f. L *diarium* (dies day, -ARY¹)]

di'astase, n. (chem.). A ferment converting starch to glucose, important in digestion. So **diastāt'ic**, (irreg.) -ās'ic, aa. [f. Gk *diastasis* separation (*DIA-, hístēmi* set)]

diās'tolē, n. Dilatation of heart or artery alternating with systole, & with it forming pulse (*systole & ~* often fig. of reaction, fluctuation, etc.). [med. L f. Gk, f. *DIA(stellō send)*]

diatēss'arōn, n. Harmony of the four gospels. [f. Gk *dia tessarōn* by four]

diatherm'ancȳ, n., **diatherm'anous**, **diatherm'ic**, aa. (Having the) quality of transmitting radiant heat. [f. f' *diathermanstē*, *diathermane* + *-OUS*, *diathermique*, f. Gk *DIA(thermansis f. thermō f. thermos warm)*]

di'athermȳ, n. Application of electric currents to produce heat in the deeper tissues of the body. [*DIA- + Gk thermē heat + -Y¹*]

diāth'esis, n. (med.; pl. -esēs). Constitutional predisposition, habit. [Gk, f. *DIA-(tithēmi place)*]

di'atōm, n. Member of genus *Diatoma*, microscopic unicellular Algae found esp. at bottom of sea & forming fossil deposits. So **diatoma'ceous** (-āshus) a. [f. Gk

DIA(tōmos f. temnō cut) alluding to the cells' being connected in easily separable chains]

diatōm'ic, a. (chem.). Consisting of two atoms; having two replaceable atoms of hydrogen. [*DI-*, *ATOM, -IC*]

diatōn'ic, a. (mus.). (Of scale) proceeding by notes proper to key without chromatic alteration; (of melodies & harmonies) constructed from such a scale. [f. F *diatonique* f. L f. Gk *DIA(tonikos TONIC) with intervals of a tone]*

di'atribe, n. Piece of bitter criticism, invective, denunciation. [F, f. L f. Gk (-ē) = wearing away of time, discourse, f. *DIA(tribō rub)*]

dib, v.i. (-bb-). = *DAP*. [var. of *DAB¹*, whence also *dap*]

dibās'ic, a. (chem.). Having two bases or two atoms of a base. [*DI-*, *BASE¹*]

dibb'er, n. Instrument for dibbling, dibble. [f. *DIB*, now used thus only in *dibbling-stick*]

dib'ble, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Instrument for making holes in ground for seeds etc. 2. vb. Prepare (soil) with this; sow or plant thus; use a ~. [perh. f. *DIB + -LE(1)*, but found much earlier]

dibs (-z), n. pl. (Child's game with) sheep's knuckle-bones; counters at cards; (sl.) money. [prob. f. *DIB*; cf. earlier *dib-stones*]

dic'ast, **dicās'terȳ**, nn. (Gk Ant.). (Member of) Athenian jury (-ery), which gave both verdict & sentence. [f. Gk *dikastēs*, *dikastērion*, (*dikazō* to judge f. *dikē* right)]

dice¹, n. pl. See *DIE¹*.

dice², v.i. & t. Play *DICE¹*, whence *di'CE²* n.; gamble away at dice; chequer, mark with squares; (Cookery) cut (meat) into small squares. [f. prec.]

dice'bōx, n. Box of hour-glass shape from which dice are thrown; ~ *insulator*, piece of porcelain so shaped supporting telegraph wire.

dichlamȳd'eous (-k-), a. (bot.). Having calyx & corolla. [*DI-*, Gk *khlamys-udos* cloak, -OUS]

dichōg'amous (-k-), a. (bot.). Having stamens & pistils that mature at different times, so that self-fertilization is impossible. [f. Gk *dikho- asunder, -gamos -married*]

dichōt'omȳ (-k-), n. Division into two; binary classification; (Bot. & Zool.) repeated bifurcation. So **dichotōm'ic**, ~OUS, aa., ~IST(1) n., ~IZE(1, 3) v.t. & i., ~OUSLY² adv., (-k-). [as prec., -OMY]

dichrō'ic (-k-), a. Showing two colours (esp. of doubly refracting crystals). [f. Gk *DI(khroos f. khros colour) + -IC*]

dichromāt'ic (-k-), a. Two-coloured (esp. of animal species of which individuals show different colorations). [*DI-* + Gk *khrōmatikos* (*khrōma -atos colour, -IO*)]

dichrōm'ic (-k-), a. With only two colours (esp. of colour-blind vision seeing two

of three primary colours). [Gk *dikhrōmos* (prec.) + -ic]

dicck, n. (sl.). Take one's ~ that or to it, swear, affirm. [prob. for *declaration*]

dicck'ens (-z), n. (colloq.). Devil, deuce. [from 1598; prob. use of *Dickon* = Richard, or the surname *Dickens*, as alliterative substitute for *devil*]

dicck'er¹, n. (commerc.). Half-score, ten, esp. of hidos. [ME *dyker* cf. G *decher* f. L *decuria* sot of ten (*decem*)]

***dicck'er²**, v.i. Trade by barter, chaffer, haggle. [prob. f. prec. through the barter in skins with Indians]

dicck'ŷ¹, -ey, n. (colloq. & sl.). Donkey; (also ~bird) small bird; false shirt-front; pinafore or apron; driver's seat; || servant's seat at back of carriage. [etym. dub.; some senses f. the male name]

|| **dicck'ŷ²**, a. (sl.). Unsound, shaky. [?]

diccōtŷl'ed'on, n. Flowering plant with two cotyledons. Hence ~ous a. [DI-¹]

dic'taphōne, n. Machine recording, for subsequent reproduction in type, what is spoken into it. [P, f. foll. + PHONE¹]

dic'tate¹, n. Authoritative direction (usu. of reason, conscience, nature, etc.; often pl.). [f. L *dictatum* neut. p.p. see foll.]

dic'tate², v.t. & i. Say or read aloud (matter to be written down, often to writer; also abs.); prescribe, lay down authoritatively, (terms, thing to be done; of person, also of motive etc.); lay down the law, give orders, (*will not be ~d to*). So **dic'ta'tion** n. [f. L *dicere* frequent. of *dicere* *dict*-say, -ATE³]

dictat'or, n. Absolute ruler, usu. temporary or irregular, of a State, esp. one who suppresses or succeeds a democratic government; person with absolute authority in any sphere; one who dictates to writer. Hence ~SHIP, **dictat'ress¹**, nn. [L (prec., -OR²)]

dictator'ial, a. Of dictator; imperious, overbearing. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *dictatorius* f. prec. + AL]

dic'tion, n. Wording & phrasing, verbal style. [f. L *dictio* (*dicere* *dict*-say, -ION)]

dic'tionary (-sho-), n. Book dealing, usu. in alphabetical order, with the words of a language or of some special subject, author, etc., wordbook, lexicon, (*French-English* etc. ~, of French etc. words with English etc. explanation; ~ of *architecture* or *the Bible*, *Shakspere* ~, etc.); *walking* or *living* ~, well-informed person; ~ *English*, *style*, etc., overcorrect, pedantic. [f. med. L *dictionary* (prec., -ARY³)]

dic'tograph (-ahf), n. Apparatus reproducing in one room the sounds made in another. [P, irreg. f. foll. + GRAPH¹]

dic'tum, n. (pl. -a, -ums). Formal saying, pronouncement; (Law) judge's expression of opinion not having legal validity; maxim, current saying. [L, neut. p.p. of *dicere* say]

did. See DO¹.

didac'tic (or di-), a. Meant to instruct; having the manner of a teacher. Hence ~ICALLY adv., ~ICISM n. [f. Gk *didaktikos* (*didaskō* teach)]

did'apper, n. Small diving water-fowl. [for *diac-dapper* f. earlier *divedap* f. OE *dufedoppa* (*dufan* dive + *doppa* cf. *dip*)]

did'dle, v.t. (sl.). Cheat, swindle. [perh. back-formation f. *Jeremy Diddler* in Kenney's *Raising the Wind*, 1803]

***did'o**, n. (colloq.). (pl. -oes). Antic, caper, prank (esp. in phr. *cut(up)~es*). [?]

didst. 2 sing. past of DO¹.

didŷm'ium, n. (chem.). A rare metal. [f. Gk *didumos* twin + *ŷum* from its being always found with lanthanum]

die¹, n. (pl. *dice*, ~s). 1. (Pl. *dice*) small cube with faces bearing 1-6 spots used in games of chance; *dice*, game played with these; *the ~ is cast*, course irrevocably decided; *upon the ~*, at stake; *as straight, true, as a ~*. 2. (Pl. ~s): (Archit.) plinth, cubic part of pedestal between base & cornice; engraved stamp for coining, striking medal, embossing paper, etc.; ~sinker, engraver of ~s. [ME & OF de f. L *datum* neut. p.p. of *dare* give, perh. in sense *what is given by fate*; for pl. *dice* (perh. felt as collective) cf. *pence*, the orig. pl. *truce*, also *mice* etc.]

die², v.i. (*dŷ'ing*). Cease to live, expire, (of illness, hunger, etc., by violence, the sword, one's own hand, *from wound etc.*, *through neglect*, on scaffold, at the stake, *in battle*, for friend, cause, etc., *in poverty*; ~ a beggar, martyr; ~ a glorious, dog's, death; ~ the death, be put to death, arch. or jocular; ~ game, fighting, not tamely; ~ hard, not without struggle; ~ in one's bed, of age or illness, *in one's boots or shoes*, by violence, *in harness*, while still at work, *in last ditch*, desperately defending something; *never say ~*, not give in, keep up courage; (Bibl.) suffer as in death (*I ~ daily*), suffer spiritual death, ~ unto, escape thraldom of (sin); *be dying for*, to do, have great desire; ~ of laughing, laugh to exhaustion; (of plants etc.) lose vital force, decay; come to an end, cease to exist, go out, disappear, be forgotten, fade away, (of flame, fame, sound, etc.); *secret ~s* with one; often *away, down, off, out*; ~away adj., languishing; ~hard, person who dies hard or resists compulsion etc. to the last, obstinate politician etc.; || *Die-hards*, 57th Regiment of Foot. [ME *deghen* perh. f. ON *deyja* cf. OHG *louvan* f. OTeut. *daw-jan*]

dieléc'tric, a. & n. Insulating (medium or substance), non-conductive, non-conductor. [DI-² + ELECTRIC = through which electricity is transmitted (without conduction)]

Dies'el (dŷz-), n. (attrib.). ~ engine, type of oil-engine invented by Dr R. ~ of

Munich, in which ignition of fuel is produced by the heat of air suddenly compressed. [person]

dī'ēs (-z) **ī'ae**, n. Day of Judgement; Latin hymn beginning so. [L. = day of wrath]

dī'ēs (-z) **nōn**, n. (Law) day on which no legal business is done; (transf.) day that does not count or cannot be used. [L. short for ~ *juridicus* non-judicial day]

dī'et', n. & v.t. 1. Way of feeding; prescribed course of food, regimen, whence *diēt'ian*, -i'cian, (-shn), n., one versed in or practising dietetics (prop. -ician, after *physician*); one's habitual food. 2. v.t. Feed (person, oneself) on special food as medical regimen or punishment. [f. OF *diete(r)* f. L f. Gk *diaita* way of life perh. f. *zaō* live]

dī'et', n. Conference, congress, on national or international business; meeting of the estates of the realm or confederation (esp. as Engl. name for foreign parliamentary assemblies). [f. mod. L *dieta* assembly, day's work; prob. f. *diaita* DIET¹ confused with *dies* day]

dī'etārī, n. & a. (Course) of diet; allowance or character of food in hospital, workhouse, etc. [f. L *dietaarius* -um (DIET¹, -ARY¹)]

dīetēt'[ic, a. Of diet. Hence ~IOS n., ~ICALLY adv. [f. L f. Gk *diaitētikos* (*diaitēt'* f. *diaitaō* vb f. *diaita* DIET¹, -IO)]

dī-, pref. = DIS- before f in L wds. Sometimes changes in OF to *de-* (*defy*, *deser*¹).

dī'fer, v.i. Be unlike; be distinguishable from; be at variance, disagree, (*from*, *with*, or abs.; *agree to* ~, give up attempt to convince each other). [f. F *differer* (of. *DIFFER*¹) f. L *diff'erre* bear, tend]

difference, n., & v.t. Being different, dissimilarity, non-identity (DISTINCTION without ~); point in which things differ; quantity by which amounts differ, remainder after subtraction, (*split the* ~, come to compromise); change in price of stocks etc. between certain dates (*pay, meet, the* ~); disagreement in opinion, dispute, quarrel; characteristic mark distinguishing individual or species, *differentia* (vb, serve as distinguishing mark of, differentiate); *make a ~ between*, treat differently; *it makes a great ~*, is important. [f. F *différence* f. L *differentia* (foll., -ENCE)]

different, a. Not the same, unlike, of other nature, form, or quality, (*from, to, than*, all used by good writers past and present, *than* chiefly where a prep. is inconvenient). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. F *différent* f. L *different-* part. st. (DIFFER, -ENT)]

différēnt'ia (-shia), n. (pl. -ae). Distinguishing mark, esp. of species within a genus. [L. see DIFFERENCE]

différēnt'ial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of, exhibiting, depending on, a difference (~

duties, charges, tariff, that differ according to circumstances). 2. Constituting a specific difference, distinctive, relating to specific differences (~ *diagnosis*). 3. (Phys., Mech.) concerning the difference of two or more motions, pressures, etc. (~ *gear*, or ~ as n., gear enabling car's hind-wheels to revolve at different speeds in rounding corners). 4. n. (Math.) infinitesimal difference between consecutive values of continuously varying quantity (~ *calculus*, method of calculating this). Hence ~LY¹ (-sha-) adv. [f. med. L *differentialis* (DIFFERENCE, -AL)]

différēnt'ijāte (-shi-), v.t. & i. Constitute the difference between, of, or in; develop (t. & i.) into unlikeness, specialize, (species, organs, functions, synonyms); discriminate, discriminate between. Hence ~A'TION (-sl-) n. [f. med. L *DIFFERENTIARE*, -ATE¹]

diff'icile (-ēl), a. Unaccommodating, exigent, hard to deal with, persuade, etc. [F]

diff'icult, a. Hard to do or practise, troublesome, perplexing, (often ~ of access, to answer, etc.); = prec. [perh. back-formation f. foll.]

diff'icult'y, n. Being hard to do (*with* ~y, often as adv. = not easily) or obscure; something hard or obscure; hindrance; embarrassment of affairs, esp. want of money; reluctance, demur, objection, (*make ~ies*, be unaccommodating). [f. L *diff'icultas* = *facultas* FACULTY]

diff'idence, n. Self-distrust, excessive modesty, shyness. [f. L *diffidentia* (foll., -ENCE)]

diff'ident, a. Wanting in self-confidence, bashful. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *diff'idere* trust, -ENT]

diff'luence, n., **diff'luent**, a., (-lōb-). Flowing apart, becoming fluid; deliquescence, deliquescent. [f. L *diff'luere* flow, -ENT, -ENCE]

diff'ract', v.t. (opt.). (Of edge of opaque body) break up (beam of light) into series of dark and light bands or coloured spectra. So **diff'ract'ion** n., **diff'ract'ive** a., **diff'ract'ively**¹ (-vl-) adv. [f. L *diff'rangere* fract- break]

diff'use¹ (-s), a. Spread out, diffused, not concentrated, (of light, inflammation, etc.); not concise, long-winded. Hence ~LY¹ (-sl-) adv., ~NESS (-sn-) n. [f. L *diff'undere* fus- pour]

diff'us'e² (-z), v.t. & i. Send forth, shed abroad, (light, particles, heat, geniality, knowledge, rumour); (Phys.) intermingle (t. & i. of gases or fluids) by diffusion, whence ~ABLE (-z-) a., ~IBL'ITY (-z-) n. Hence or cogn. **diff'us'ion** (-zhn) n., ~IVE (-s) a., ~IVELY¹ (-sivl-) adv., ~IVENESS n. [f. L *diff'us-* see prec.]

dig, v.t. & i. (*dig*, formerly also ~ged; -gv-), & n. 1. Use spade or mattock, claws, hands, or snout, in excavating or

turning over ground; make research (for information, *into* author etc.); make way by ~ing *into*, *through*, *under*; excavate or turn up (ground) with spade etc.; make (hole etc.) by ~ing (~ a *pit* for, fig., try to entrap); get by ~ing (potatoes); thrust (spurs, one's nails, feet, point of weapon) *into* something or *in*; poke (person *in the ribs*); ~ (-*self*, -*selves*, or abs.) *in*, prepare defensive trench or pit; ~ *out*, get, find, make, by ~ing; ~ *up*, break up (fallow land). 2. n. Piece of ~ing; thrust, poke, (esp. *in the ribs*); also fig. ~ *at*, remark directed against). [prob. f. F *diguer* cf. F *digue* dike; from 14th c. only, not in OE, nor directly related to *dike*]

digamm'a, n. Sixth letter (F) in sound = w) of original Gk alphabet, later disused, but important in philology. [L f. Gk (DI-³, GAMMA, from its shape)]

dig'am|y, n. Taking, having, a second spouse. Hence or cogn. ~IST(1) n., ~OUS a. [f. L f. Gk DI-³(*gamia* f. *gamos*-married)]
digās'tric, a. & n. (anat.). With two swelling ends (of muscles); muscle of lower jaw. [DI-³, Gk *gaster*-tr- belly, -IO]
di'gēst¹, n. Methodical compendium or summary, esp. of a body of laws (the *D*~, that compiled by order of Justinian). [f. L *digesta* neut. pl. p.p. see foll.]

digēst², v.t. & i. Reduce into systematic form, classify; summarize; think over, arrange in the mind; prepare (food) in stomach and bowels for assimilation (intr. of food, admit of digestion; ~s *well*, *will not* ~); (of drugs, wine, etc.) promote digestion of; assimilate (conquered territory etc.); brook, endure, be reconciled to, (insult, opinion); get mental nourishment from. Hence ~IBLE a., ~IBLITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L DI-³(*gerere* gest- carry) sort]

digēs'ter, n. In vbl senses; esp. in cookery, stock-pot (cf. foll.). [-ER¹]

digēs'tion (-schon), n. Digesting (*hard*, *easy*, of ~) of physical or mental food; power of digesting (*a good*, *weak*, ~); long steeping in hot fluid to extract essence, stewing. [F, f. L *digestionem* (DIGEST², -ION)]

digēs'tive, a. & n. Of, promoting, digestion; substance aiding digestion; ointment to promote suppuration. Hence ~LY² (-v1) adv. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), f. L *digestivus* (DIGEST², -IVE)]

digg'er (-g-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (also *gold* ~) one who digs or searches for gold in gold-fields; (sl.) Australian; *D*~s, N.-Amer. Indians living on roots; digging-part of various machines; (also ~-*vase*) division of *Hymenoptera*. [-ER¹]

digg'ing (-g-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (pl., occas. a ~s) mine or goldfield; || (pl., colloq., also abbr. *digs*) lodgings. [-ING¹]

digit (dīt), v.t. (arch., & chiefly in p.p. *digit*). Cloth, array, adorn; make ready.

[common in ME, with many meanings; obs. exc. dial. f. 1670 to 1800; revived by Scott, & now as above; OE *dihtan* f. L *dicare* dictate, whence also G *dicten* write poetry]

dī'git, n. Finger or toe (joc., or in Zool. or Anat.); finger's breadth; any numeral from 0 to 9; (Astron.) twelfth part of sun's or moon's diameter (in measuring eclipse). So ~AL a. [f. L *digitus*]

digital'is, n. Medicine prepared from fox-glove. [mod. L, = fox-glove, transl. of its G name *fingerhut* thimble (DIGIT, -AL)]

dī'gitate, -atēd, a. (zool., bot.). With divided fingers or toes; with deep radiating divisions. Hence DIGITATION n., DIGITATO- comb. form. [f. L *digitatus* (DIGIT, -ATE²)]

dī'gitigrāde, a. (zool.). Walking on toes, not touching ground with heel, (cf. PLANTIGRADE). [F (L *digitus*, -I-, -gradus -walking)]

dig'nify, v.t. Make worthy; confer dignity upon, ennoble; make stately (p.p., marked by dignity, self-respecting, stately); speak of by high-flown title (*school* ~ied with name of college). [f. OF *dignifier* f. med. L *dignificare* (dignus worthy, -FY)]

dig'nitary, n. Person holding high office, esp. ecclesiastical. [f. L as foll. + -ARY¹]

dig'nity, n. True worth, excellence, (*the* ~ of labour); high estate or estimation (*beneath* one's ~, unfit for one to do); honourable office, rank, or title; elevation of manner, proper stateliness; ~ *ball*, negro public dance (from its elaborate formality). [f. OF *dignete* f. L *dignitatem* (dignus worthy, -TY); cf. DAINTY]

dīg'rāph, n. Group of two letters expressing one sound, as *ch*, *ea*. [DI-³, Gk *graphē* writing]

digrēs's (or dī-), v.i. Diverge from the track, stray; depart from or from the main subject temporarily in speech or writing. Hence or cogn. digrēs'sion (-shn) n., ~IVE a. [f. L DI-³(*gradi*=*gradi* walk *press*-)]

dihēd'ral, a. Having or contained by two plane faces; ~ *angle*, (esp.) angle formed by wing pairs of an aeroplane. [f. DI-³ + Gk *hedra* seat, base, + -AL (1)]

dike, **dȳke**, n., & v.t. 1. Ditch; || natural watercourse; || low wall esp. of turf; embankment, long ridge, dam, against flooding, esp. those in Holland against sea; causeway; (fig.) barrier, obstacle, defence; (Mining & Geol.) *fluvium* in stratum filled with deposited matter, this matter; || ~-*reeve*, officer in charge of drains, sluices, & sea-banks, of fen district. 2. v.t. Provide, defend, with ~(-s). [OE *dīc*, whence also *ditch*; cf. G *seich*]

v.t. & i.

disrepair or decay (building, clothing, estate, fortune). [f. L *dis* (dis-)

dare f. *lapis* stone) understood in E as *take stone from stone*, in L perh. *throw away like stones*]

dilatā'tion, n. Squandering; bringing or coming into, being in, disrepair; || sum charged against incumbent etc. for wear & tear during his tenancy; falling away of cliffs etc., debris resulting. [f. L *dilatatio* (prec., -ATION)]

dilat'e (di-, di-), v.t. & i. Make or become wider or larger, expand, widen, enlarge, (with ~ed eyes), whence ~ABLE a., ~ABL'ITY n., dilatā'tion (& irreg. dilat'ion) n.; expatiate, speak or write at large (usu. upon). [f. F *dilater* f. L *di'latare* f. *latus* wide]; the L p.p. st. being *dilatat'*, *dilation* is irreg.]

dilat'or, n. (anat.). (Also ~ *muscle*) muscle that dilates an organ (cf. CONSTRUCTOR). [irreg. for less used *dilatator*; see prec., -OR²]

dilat'or'y, a. Tending to, designed to cause, given to, delay. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *dilatarius* (di'lat-p.p. st. of *differre* DEFER¹, -ORY)]

dilemm'a (or di-), n. Argument forcing opponent to choose one of two alternatives (*horns of the ~*) both unfavourable to him; position that leaves only a choice between equal evils. So *dilemmāt'io* a. [L, f. Gk *di'lemma* -atos assumption f. *lambanō* take, -M)]

dilettān'(tē, n. (pl. -ti, pr. -tē) & a. 1. Lover of the fine arts; amateur; smatterer, one who toys with subject or concentrates on nothing; hence ~FISH¹ a. ~TISM(1) n. 2. adj. Trifling, not thorough, amateur. [It., f. *dilettare* f. L *delectare* DELIGHT, -ANT]

diligence', n. Persistent effort or work; industrious character. [F, (DILIGENT, -ENCE)]

diligence' (*occas. dēlēzhahns'*), n. Foreign public stage-coach. [F, as prec.]

diligent, a. Hard-working, steady in application, industrious, attentive to duties. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *di'ligere* lect = *legere* choose] love, take delight in, -ENT]

dill, n. Umbelliferous annual yellow-flowered herb. [OE *dili* cf. G *dill* etym. dub.]

dill'y-dall'y, v.i. (colloq.). Vacillate; loiter. [redupl. of DALLY]

dill'uent (or -ō-), a. & n. Diluting (agent); (substance) increasing proportion of water in the blood etc. [f. L *diluere* DILUTE², -ENT]

dill'ute', a. Weakened by addition of water; (of colour) washed-out, faded; (fig.) watery, watered down. [f. L *dilutus* p.p. see foll.]

dilute' (dilūt', di-), v.t. Reduce strength of (fluid) by adding water; diminish brilliancy of (colour); water down (doctrines, seas); ~ labour, substitute a proportion of women or unskilled men

(*diluere*) for skilled men. So *dilu'tion* (-ō-) n. [f. L *di'luere* lut- wash]

dilu'vial (-ō-, -ū-), a. 1. Of a flood, esp. of the Flood in Genesis. 2. (Geol.) ~ theory, changes, etc., depending on general deluge or catastrophic water-action, whence ~STR(2) n.; of the drift formation now called Glacial Drift. [f. L *diluvialis* (*diluvium* DELUGE, -AL)]

dim, a., & v.i. & t. (-mm-). 1. Faintly luminous or visible; not bright, clear, or well-defined; obscure; seeing or seen, hearing or heard, apprehending or apprehended, indistinctly; hence ~LY² adv., ~M'ISH¹ (2) a., ~NESS n. 2. vb. Become or make ~, becloud, outshine. [OE, cf. OHG *timbar*]

***dime**, n. Silver coin, 1/10 of dollar (~ novel, cheap shocker). [obs. sense *tithe*, f. OF *disme* f. L *decima* fem. of *decimus* tenth]

dimen'sion (-shn), n. Measurable extent of any kind, as length, breadth, thickness, area, volume, (usu. pl.; of great ~s, very large); the three ~s, length, breadth, & thickness (point has no ~s, line one, surface two, body three; fourth ~ in math. speculations, property of matter that should be to solids as solids are to planes); (Alg.) number of unknown quantities contained as factors in a product (x^3 , x^2y , xyz , all of three ~s). Hence ~AL, ~LESS, aa., (-sho-). [F, f. L *di'mensionem* f. *metiri* mensus measure, -ION]

dim'eous, a. (bot., entom.). With two parts. [DI²-, -MEROUS]

dim'eter, n. Verse of two measures (measure in some metres has one foot, in others two). [f. L f. Gk *di'metros* f. *metron* measure]

dimid'iate, a. Halved, split in two. [f. L (-diare) f. DI (*midium* f. *medius* mid), -AT²]

dimin'ish, v.t. & i. Make or become, actually or in appearance, less (*hide one's ~ed head*, i.e. reduced power etc.; in Mus., ~ed, of intervals less by a chromatic semitone than the full, as ~ed fifth etc.); (Archit.) taper (t. & i.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~INGLY² adv. [mixture of MINISH with obs. *diminue* f. F *diminuer* f. L *di'minuere* -minui- cf. *minor* less]

dimin'ution, n. Gradually decrease loudness (cf. CRESCENDO); gradual decrease, musical passage marked by it, (also fig.). [It.]

dimin'ution, n. Diminishing, amount of it; (Mus.) repetition of passage in notes shorter than those previously used. [F, f. L *diminutionem* (DIMINISH, -ION)]

dimin'utive, a. & n. (Gram.) (word) describing small specimen of the thing denoted by corresponding primitive word; remarkably small, tiny. Hence *dimin'utiv'AL* a. (gram.), ~LY² (-v-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [F (-tf, -tee), f. L *diminutivus* (DIMINISH, -IVE)]

dim'issorĭ, a. Sending away; permitting to depart; *letters ~* (Eocl.), bishop's authorization of a candidate's ordination outside his own see. [f. L *dimissorius* (*dimittere* send away)]

dim'itĭ, n. Stout cotton fabric woven with raised stripes or fancy figures used for bedroom hangings etc. [f. It. *dimilito* (pl. -i) f. LL *dimilitum* f. Gk *di(milos* warp-thread)]

dimorph'ic, **dimorph'ous**, aa. (bot., zool., chem., mineral.). Exhibiting, occurring in, two distinct forms. So **dimorph'ism**(2) n. [f. Gk *di(morphos* f. *morphē* form) + -ic, -ous]

dim'ple, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Small hollow esp. in cheek or chin; ripple in water, hollow in ground; hence **dim'ply**² a. 2. vb. Produce ~s in, show ~s. [f. 15th c. only; perh. cogn. w. G *tümpel* pool (cf. DAPPL) f. OHG *dumphilō*]

din, n., & v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. Continued confused stunning or distracting noise. 2. vb. Assault with ~; repeat ad nauseam into person or person's ears; make a ~. [vb f. n., OE *dȳne* cf. ON *dymr*]

dine, v.i. & t. Take dinner (~ out, away from home; ~ off or on, have for dinner; ~ with Duke Humphrey, go without dinner—perh. w. allusion to those who walked during dinner-time in Duke Humphrey's Walk in St Paul's); entertain (persons) at dinner, (of room etc.) provide dining-accommodation for (some number); *dining-room*, used for meals. [f. F *dîner* perh. f. LL⁺ *disjejunare* f. *jejunus* fasting) breakfast cf. DÉJUNER]

din'er, n. One who dines; railway dining-car; ~out, one who often dines from home, esp. one much invited for his social qualities. [-ER¹]

ding-dōng', adv., n., & a. (With) alternating strokes as of two bells (*hammer away at it* ~; ~ race, in which each has the better alternately); sound of bell(s); jingle of rhyme. [imit.]

dinghy, **dingey**, (**ding'gi**), n. Small ship's-boat; small pleasure rowing-boat; aircraft's small inflatable rubber boat. [orig. native rowing-boat on Indian rivers, f. Hind. *ḍengi*]

dingle (**ding'gi**), n. Deep dell, usu. shaded with trees. [etym. dub.; perh. = DIMPLE]

ding'ō (-ngg-), n. (pl. ~es). Wild or half-domesticated Australian dog. [native]

din'gĭy (-j-), a. Dull-coloured, grimy, dirty-looking. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [perh. f. DUNG + -Y¹]

|| **dink'um**, a. & n. (Austral. dial. or sl.). Genuine, real (~ oil, the honest truth); (n.) work, toil. [f.]

dink'y, a. (colloq.). Pretty, neat, of engaging appearance. [cf. Sc. *dink* trim, f. 1508]

dinn'er, n. Chief meal of day, whether at midday or evening (formal meal with distinct courses); public feast in honour

of person or event; ~bell, ~hour, ~time, ~party; ~claret, ~sherry, etc. (inferior to *dessert*); || ~jacket, tailless dress coat; ~set, of plates, dishes, etc.; ~wagon, movable tray on castored legs; ~without grace, ante-nuptial sexual intercourse. Hence ~LESS a. [f. F *dîner* DINE used as n.; -ER⁴]

dinō'ceras, n. Extinct elephant-sized ungulate mammal with three pairs of horns. [f. Gk *deinos* terrible + *keras* horn]

dinōrn'is, n. Extinct ostrich-sized New Zealand flightless bird, the moa. [f. Gk *deinos* terrible + *ornis* bird]

din'osaur (-ōr), n. Extinct gigantic reptile. Hence **dinosaur'IAN** (-ōr'-) a. & n. [f. Gk *deinos* terrible + *sauros* lizard]

din'othēre, n. Huge extinct proboscidean quadruped. [f. Gk *deinos* terrible + *thērion* wild beast]

dint, n., & v.t. 1. (Arch.) stroke, blow, (whence, mod.) *by ~ of*, by force or means of; mark made by blow or pressure, dent. 2. v.t. Mark with ~s, dent. [OE *dymt* cf. ON *dymtr*]

diō'cēsan (-zn), a. & n. 1. Of a diocese. 2. n. Bishop in relation to diocese or clergy; || member of diocese in relation to bishop (corresp. to *parishioner*). [f. F *diocésain* (foll., -AN)]

di'ocese (-ēs, -ēs), n. Bishop's district. [f. OF *diocise* f. med. L *diocesis* f. L f. Gk *di(ōikēsis* f. *oikeō* inhabit) administration]

dioc'cious (-ōshus), a. (Bot.) having the male & female flowers on separate plants; (Zool.) with the two sexes in separate individuals. [DI-², Gk -*oikos* -housed, -OUS]

Dionys'ian, -iāc, a. Of Dionysus, the Greek god of wine, or his worship. [-ian f. L *Dionysius* + -AN; -iac f. L f. Gk *Dionysiakos* f. *Dionusia* the feast of Dionysus]

diōp'ter, -tre (-ter), n. Refractive power of a lens having a focal length of one metre (used as unit of refractive power; thus a lens of +5 ~s is a positive lens with a focal length of 20 cm.). [f. F *dioptre* f. L f. Gk *dioptra* (see foll.)]

diōp'tric, a. & n. 1. Serving as medium for sight, assisting sight by refraction, (~ic glass, lens, system); of refraction, refractive; of ~ics; hence ~ICALLY adv. 2. n. Unit of refractive power, power of lens with focal distance one metre; (pl.) part of optics dealing with refraction (cf. CATOPTICS). [f. Gk *dioptrikos* f. DI⁺ (*optra* f. *op-see* + instr. suf. -tra) optical instrument, -IO]

diora'ma (-rah-), n. Spectacular painting in which, by changes in the colour & direction of light thrown on or through it, effects of such natural processes as sunrise are produced. Hence (irreg.) **dioram'ic** a. [DI-⁴, Gk *horama* -mies (*horad* see, -M)]

diōx'ide, n. (chem.). Oxide formed by combination of two atoms of oxygen with one of metal or non-metal (carbon ~ etc.). [DI-³]

dip¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Put or let down into liquid, immerse, (~ one's pen in gall, write bitterly); dye thus; make (candles) by immersing wick in hot tallow; wash (sheep) in vermin-killing liquid; take up (liquid, grain, etc.) in scoop, pan, etc. 2. Lower (flag, sail, scale of balance) for a moment. 3. Involve in debt (colloq.). 4. Go under water & emerge quickly; put hand, ladle, etc., into to take something out (~ into one's purse etc., spend freely); go below any surface or level (sun ~s below horizon; bird ~s & rises in flight; scale ~s). 5. Extend downwards; have downward slope (esp. of magnetic needle, & of strata; ~ping-needle, one so mounted as to measure magnetic dip). 6. Make investigations (~ deep into the future); look cursorily or skipingly into (book). [OE *dyppan*, cogn. w. DEEP; cf. G *taufen* baptize]

dip², n. 1. A dipping (see prec.); quantity dipped up; (colloq.) bath in sea etc.; amount of submergence. 2. (Astron., Surv.) apparent depression of horizon due to observer's elevation; angle made by magnetic needle with horizon. 3. Downward slope of stratum; depression of sky-line etc. 4. Tallow candle. 5. Washing-preparation for sheep etc. 6. ~needle, = dipping-needle (see prec.); ~net, small fishing-net with long handle; ~pipe, || -trap, arranged to cut off communication of gas etc. by downward bend in which liquid stands. [f. prec.]

diphthér'ia, **diphtherit'is**, (-th-), nn. Acute infectious disease with inflammation of a mucous membrane esp. of throat, & exudation forming a false membrane. Hence **diphthér'ial**, **diphthér'ic**, **diphtherit'ic**, **diphtherom**, aa. [f. F *diphthérie*, *diphthérie* (earlier name), f. Gk *diphthéra* hide, -y¹, -itis]

diph'thóng (-th-), n. Union of two vowels pronounced in one syllable (ou, oi); two vowel characters representing sound of single vowel (ea in *feal*), digraph; compound vowel character, ligature, (æ). Hence **diphthóng'AL** a., ~IZE (3) v.t., (-ng-). [f. F *diphthongue* f. L f. Gk *di²(ph)thoggos* -sounded f. *phthoggos* voice)]

diplo(o)-, comb. form of Gk *díplous* double, in many scientific words as *diploblastic* with two germinal layers, *diplocard'iac* with right & left sides of heart separate. **diplo'docus**, n. Gigantic extinct N. American herbivorous dinosaur. [f. prec. + Gk *dokos* wooden beam]

diplóm'a, n. (pl. -s, rarely -a). State paper, official document, charter; document conferring honour or privilege, esp. University or College certificate of degree, whence ~'d, ~ED¹ (-mad), ~AES,

aa. [L f. Gk (-δ-), f. *díplōs* (diplous double), -M; orig. folded paper]

diplo'macy, n. Management of, skill in managing, international relations; DOL-LAR ~; adroitness, artful management. [f. F *diplomatie* f. *diplomate* see foll., -Y¹]

dip'lo'mât, n. = DIPLOMATIST. [f. F *mâle* back-formation f. *diplomatique* see foll.]

diplo'mât'ic, a. & n. (Palaeographic examination) of official or original documents, charters, etc.; of diplomacy (~ body, ambassadors & legation-officials at a court; ~ agent, service); skilled in diplomacy; proceeding by negotiation; (of statements, dealings, persons) uncandid, deceiving. Hence **diplo'mât'ically** adv. [f. F *diplomatique* f. mod. L *diplomaticus* f. Gk *DIPLOMA* -atos, -ic]

diplo'matist, n. One officially engaged in diplomacy; adroit negotiator. [DIPLOMAT, -IST]

diplo'matize, v.i. Act as diplomatist; use diplomatic arts. [DIPLOMAT, -IZE]

dip'nôan, a. & n. (Fish) having both gills and lungs. [f. Gk *dípnōos* with two breathing-apertures (DI-³ + *pnōs* breath)]

dipp'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: Anabaptist or Baptist; kinds of bird, esp. water ouzel; kind of ladle; (Photog.) apparatus for immersing negatives; *the D~, the Great Bear. [DIP¹, -ER¹]

|| **dipp'y**, a. (sl.). Crazy. [f.]

dipsomân'ia, n. Morbid craving for alcohol. Hence **dipsomân'iac** n. [Gk *dipsō* (dipsa thirst, -o-), -mania]

dip'teral, a. With double peristyle. [f. L f. Gk *di²(pterōs)* -winged f. *pteron* wing, -AL]

dip'terous, a. (Entom.) two-winged, belonging to the order *Diptera* (insects with one pair of membranous wings); (Bot.) with two wing-like appendages. [as prec. + -ous]

dip'tych (-Ik), n. Ancient hinged two-leaved writing-tablet with inner sides waxed; painting, esp. altarpiece, of two leaves closing like book. [f. L f. Gk *di²(ptukha)* neut. pl. of *ptukhos* -folding f. *ptukhē* fold]

dîre, a. Dreadful, calamitous, (~ sisters, the Furies). Hence ~LY² (-lî-) adv. [f. L *dîrus*]

dirêct'¹, v.t. & i. Address (letter, parcel, to person or place); utter or write to or to be conveyed to (I ~ my remarks to you); control, govern the movements of, (soul ~s body, commander troops); turn (thing, person, eyes, attention) straight to something; tell (person) the way (to; ~ing-post, = FINGER-post); guide as adviser, principle (duty ~s my actions), etc.; order (person) to do, thing to be done; give orders (that or abs.). So **dirêct'ive** a. (also n., general instruction for the carrying out of military etc. operations). [f. L *di²(rigere)* rect- = *regere* put straight]

direct', a. & adv. Straight, not crooked-
(ly) or round about, (*the ~ road; went ~
to heaven; ~ action*, exertion of pressure
on the community by strikes instead of
on Parliament by votes to force political
measures on the Government; ~ *ray*,
not reflected or refracted; ~ *shot, hit*,
without ricochet); (Astron.) proceeding
from W. to E., not retrograde; (of
descent) lineal(ly), not collateral(ly); (of
argument) following uninterrupted chain
of cause & effect etc.; diametrical (~
opposite, contrary, contradiction); (Mus.)
not inverted (of interval, chord), not con-
trary (of motion); straightforward, frank,
going straight to the point, not ambigu-
ous; immediate(ly), personal(ly), not by
proxy; (Gram.) ~ *speech or oration*, the
words as actually spoken, not modified
(cf. OBLIQUE, INDIRECT) in reporting; ~
current, electric current flowing always
in the same direction; ~ *tax*, levied
originally (income tax etc.) on person
who bears the burden ultimately (cf.
INDIRECT). Hence ~NESS n. [(prob. F) f. L
directus p.p. see prec.]

direct'ion, n. Directing, aiming, guiding,
managing; = DIRECTORATE; instruction
what to do, order, (usu. pl.); address on
letter or parcel; course pursued by mov-
ing body, point to which one moves or
looks, (*in the ~ of London, Londonwards*);
scope, sphere, subject, (*new ~s of inquiry,
improvement in many ~s*); ~finder, wire-
less receiving device for finding bearings of
transmitting stations. Hence ~AL(-shon-)
a. (esp. of wireless transmitted over a nar-
row angle). [f. L *directio* (DIRECT¹, -ION)]
direct'ly, adv. & conj. In a DIRECT²
manner; at once, without delay; pre-
sently, in no long time; (colloq.) as soon
as (*went ~ I knew*). [-LY²]

Diréc'toire (-twā), a. (Dressmaking) in
imitation of styles prevalent during the
French Directory. [F; see DIRECTORY²]

diréc'tor, n. Superintendent, manager,
esp. member of managing-board of com-
mercial company; (Cinemat.) stage-
manager and producer of a film; (Fr.
Hist.) member of Directory; (Ecol.) priest
acting as spiritual adviser; apparatus
controlling direction in instruments etc.
Hence **diréc'tor'ial** a., ~SHIP, **diréc'-
triss'**, nn. [f. F *directeur* (DIRECT¹, -OR²)]
diréc'torate, n. Office of director; board
of directors. [-AT²]

diréc'tor'y, a. Directive, advisory, (esp.
of part of law advising procedure omis-
sion of which does not invalidate action).
[f. L *directorius* (DIRECT¹, -OR²)]

diréc'tor'y, n. Book of rules, esp. for
public or private worship; book with lists
of inhabitants of district, members of
professions, etc.; with various details;
(Fr. Hist.) revolutionary executive of
five directors in power 1795-9 (D~). [L
med. L *directorium* ment. adj. see prec.]

diréc'trix, n. (pl. -ices). = DIRECTRESS;
(Geom.) fixed line used in describing
curve or surface. [DIRECTOR, -TRIX]

dire'ful (-fū), a. Terrible, dread. Hence
~LY² adv. [DIRE, -FUL(1)]

dirge, n. Song sung at burial, or in
commemoration of the dead; lament. [f.
L *dirige* imperat. of *dirigere* DIRECT¹, first
wd in Latin antiphon in Matins part of
Office of the Dead]

dir'igible, a. & n. Capable of being
guided (esp. of balloons); (n.) ~ balloon
or airship as opp. *aeroplane*. [as DIRECT¹,
-IBLE]

dir'iment, a. Nullifying (~ *impediment*,
making marriage null & void from the
first). [f. L *dirimere* (DIS-, *emeretake*), -MENT]
dirk, n., & v.t. Kind of dagger (esp.
of Highlanders); (vb) stab with this. [earlier
dork (1602) perh. f. Du. *dolk* cf. G *dolch*]

dirt, n. Unclean matter that soils, wet
mud (~ *pie*, made by children in gutters
etc.); anything worthless (*yellow ~, gold*;
~, scornful name for land; ~cheap, very
cheap); earth, soil; dirtiness; foul talk;
fling ~, talk abusively or slanderously;
eat ~, put up with insult etc.; ~eating,
disease with morbid craving to eat earth;
~ *track*, a course made of rolled cinders,
brickdust, etc., for motor-cycle racing,
or of earth for flat-racing. [ME *drit* prob.
f. ON *drit* excrement]

dirt'y, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Soiled, foul,
mixed with or like or connected with dirt,
(D~ *Shirts*, 101st Foot, from fighting in
shirt-sleeves at Delhi); unclean, obscene;
sordid, mean, despicable; *do the ~* (sl.),
play a shabby trick; ~ *work*, esp. dis-
honourable proceedings, (also) drudgery
(*do person's ~ work for him*); ill-gotten;
(of weather) rough, squally; (of colour)
not pure or clear; D~ *Allan*, sea-bird
getting food by forcing gulls etc. to
disgorge; hence **dirt'y'ly** adv., **dirt'y'-
NESS** n., ~NESS² a. 2. vb. Make, become,
~. [-Y²]

dirt'y, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Indian native
tailor. [Hind. f. Pers. *darst* (Pers. *dars*
sewing)]

dis-, pref. f. L *dis-* (which was changed to
DI- or DIP- before certain letters; see
also DE-) related to *bis* (orig. + *dis* = Gk
dis twice) & *duo* two. In wds taken direct
or thr. F f. L; in wds taken f. LL in
which *dis-* or Rom. *des-* had displaced
de-; & used as living pref. to modify
sense of B wds. Meanings: asunder,
away, apart or between, one by one,
utterly (in wds already negative, as
disannul), un-, not, the reverse of, de-
privation of, expulsion from.

disabil'ity, n. Thing, want, that prevents
one's doing something, esp. legal dis-
qualification. [f. obs. adj. *disable* (=un-
able), -MENT]

disab'le, v.t. Incapacitate from doing or
for work etc.; cripple, deprive of power of

acting; disqualify legally, pronounce incapable, hinder. Hence ~MENT (-blm-) n. [DIS-, ABLE]

disabuse' (-z), v.t. Undeceive, disillusion. [DIS-]

disaccord', n., & v.i. Disagree(ment), (be at) variance. [DIS-]

disadvantage (-vah-), n. Unfavourable condition (*taken at a ~*); loss, injury. [f. F *désavantage* (DIS-, ADVANTAGE)]

disād'vantā'geous (-jus), a. Involving disadvantage or discredit, derogatory. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [DIS-]

disaffēct', a. Estranged, unfriendly, disloyal, esp. to Government. [p.p. of scarcely used vb *disaffect*]

disaffēct'ion, n. Political discontent, disloyalty. [as prec. after AFFECTION]

disaffirm', v.t. (legal). Reverse (previous decision); repudiate (settlement). Hence **disāffirmā'tion** n. [DIS-]

disaffō'rēst, v.t. || Reduce from legal state of forest to ordinary land. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. med. L *DIS(AFFORESTARE)*]

disagree', v.i. Differ, be unlike, not correspond; differ in opinion, dissent, quarrel; (of food, climate, etc.) prove unsuitable, have bad effects, (*with* person, his health, digestion, etc.). Hence ~MENT n. [DIS-]

disagree'able (-grīa-), a. & n. 1. Not to one's taste, unpleasant; unamiable, bad-tempered; hence ~LENESS (-ln-) n., ~LY² adv. 2. n. (Usu. pl.) unpleasant experience(s), trouble(s), worries. [f. F *désagréable* (DIS-, AGREABLE)]

disallow', v.t. Refuse to sanction or accept as reasonable or admit, prohibit. [f. OF *desalouer* (DIS-, ALLOW)]

disannul', v.t. (-ll-). Cancel, annul. [DIS-]

disappear', v.i. Cease to be visible, vanish, die away from sight or existence, be lost. Hence ~ANCE n. [DIS-]

disappoint', v.t. Not fulfil desire or expectation of, break appointment with, (person; ~ed *at, in, of, with*; agreeably etc. ~ed, glad to find one's fears groundless); belie, frustrate, (hope, purpose, etc.). Hence ~ING¹ a., ~EDLY², ~INGLY², advv., ~MENT n., event etc. that ~s, distress resulting. [f. F *désappointer* (DIS-, APPOINT)]

disāpprobā'tion, n. Disapproval. So **disāpp'robātivz**, **disāpp'robātoy**, aa. [DIS-]

disapprove' (-ōv), v.t. & i. Have, express, unfavourable opinion of or of. Hence ~AL(2) n., ~INGLY² adv., (-ō-). [DIS-]

disarm', v.t. & i. Deprive of weapons; deprive of weapons (esp. in fencing, jerk foil etc. out of hand of); dismantle (city, ship), reduce, be reduced, to peace footing (of army), abandon or cut down military establishment, whence **disarm'**

MENT n.; deprive of power to injure; pacify hostility or suspicions of. [f. F *désarmer* (DIS-, ARM²)]

disarrange' (-j), v.t. Put into disorder, disorganize. Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n. [DIS-]

disarray', n., & v.t. (Throw into) disorder; (poet.) unclothe. [DIS-]

disartic'ūlate, v.t. Separate, undo the articulation of, take to pieces. Hence ~A'TION n. [DIS-]

disassimilā'tion, n. (physiol.). Conversion of assimilated into less complex or waste substances. [DIS-]

disassōciā'tion, n. = DISSOCIATION (esp. in psych. senses: ~ of a personality). [DIS-]

disas'ter (-zah-), n. Sudden or great misfortune, calamity; ill luck (*a record of ~er*). So ~ROUS a., ~ROUSLY² adv., (-zah-). [f. F *désastre* (DIS-, *astre* f. L f. Gk *astron* star)]

disavow', v.t. Say one does not know or approve of, repudiate. Hence ~AL(2) n. [f. F *désavouer* (DIS-, AVOU)]

disbānd', v.t. & i. Break up, disperse, (t. & i. of troops etc.). Hence ~MENT n. [f. 16th-c. F *desbander* see DIS-, BAND¹ (3)]

disbār', v.t. (-rr-). Expel from membership of the bar, deprive of status of barrister. Hence ~MENT n. [DIS-, BAR¹]

disbelieve', v.t. & i. Refuse credence to (person or statement etc.); be a sceptic; have no faith in. So **disbeliev'** n. [DIS-]

|| **disbēnch'**, v.t. Deprive of status of bench. [DIS-, BENCH n.]

disbranch' (-ah-), v.t. Strip of branches. [DIS-]

disbūd', v.t. (-dd-). Remove (esp. the superfluous) buds of. [DIS-]

disbūrd'en, v.t. Relieve of or of a burden; get rid of, discharge, (load, thoughts). [DIS-]

disburse', v.t. & i. Expend, defray; pay money. Hence ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. OF *desbourser* (DIS-, BOURSE)]

disc. Now usu. spelling of **DISK**.

discāl'céate, a. & n., **discāl'céatēd**, **discālced'** (-st), aa. Barefooted or only sandalled (friar, nun). [(~ed anglicized) f. L *DIS(calceatus* p.p. of *calceare* f. *calceus* shoe)]

discārd', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Throw out or reject from hand at cards (specified card, or abs. of playing non-trump that does not follow lead); cast aside, give up, (clothes, habit, belief, etc.); dismiss, cashier. 2. n. (dis'-). ~ing at cards, ~ed card. [DIS-, CARD¹]

discārn'ate, a. Parted from the flesh, disembodied. [DIS-, (IN)CARNATE]

discērn' (-s-, -z-), v.t. & i. 1. (Aroh.) distinguish, see the difference between, (good & bad, good from bad, between good & bad). 2. Perceive clearly with the mind or senses, make out by thought or by gazing, listening, etc.; so ~IBLE a.,

~ibly¹ adv. [f. F *discerner* f. L *DIS(cernere* *cre-* sift)]

discern'ing (-s, -z), a. Having quick or true insight, penetrating. [-ING¹]

discern'ment (-s, -z), n. Discerning; keenness of perception, penetration, insight. [-MENT]

discerp'tible, a. That can be plucked apart, not indestructibly one. Hence ~il'ity n. [f. L *DIS(cerpere -cerp-* = *carpere* pluck) + -IBLE]

discerp'tion, n. Pulling apart, severance; severed piece. [f. L *discriptio* (prec., -ION)]

discharge'¹, v.t. & i. Relieve of load (ship etc.); ~ gun, fire it off; ~ bankrupt, relieve him of further liability), withdraw electricity from; dismiss, cashier, (*was ~d from*, or rarely ~d, *the service*); release (prisoner), let go (patient, jury); put forth, get rid of, send out, emit, unload from ship, (cargo, missile, liquid, purulent matter, abuse; also abs., as *ship, abscess, has ~d*); (of river, refl. or intr.) disembogue; (Law) cancel (order of court); acquit oneself of, pay, perform, (duty, debt, vow); (Dyeing) remove (colour), undye (fabric). [f. OF *descharger* (DIS-, CHARGE²)]

discharge'², n. Unloading (of ship or cargo); firing off of gun etc. (a ~ of arrows, several arrows shot); emission (of liquid, electricity, purulent matter); release, exoneration, exemption, acquittal, written certificate of these; dismissal; liberation; payment (of debt); performance (of obligation); (Dyeing) process of, composition used in, discharging. [f. prec.]

dischar'ger, n. In vbl senses; esp., appliance for producing electric discharge. [-ER¹]

disci'ple, n. One of Christ's personal followers, esp. one of the Twelve; any early believer in Christ; follower, adherent, of any leader of thought, art, etc. Hence ~SHIP (-ish-) n., disci'plar¹ a. [OE *discipul* f. L *discipulus* (*discere* learn)]

disciplinār'ian, n. Maintainer of discipline (*strict, good, poor, no, ~*). [as foll. + -AN]

disciplinār'y (also -lin'-), a. Of, promoting, discipline; of the nature of mental training. [f. med. L *disciplinarius* (foll., -ARY¹)]

discipline'¹, n. Branch of instruction (arch.); mental & moral training, aduersity as effecting this; military training, drill, (arch.); trained condition; order maintained among schoolboys, soldiers, prisoners, etc.; system of rules for conduct; control exercised over members of church; chastisement; (Eccl.) mortification by penance. So disci'plinal (or -lin'-) a. [F, f. L *disciplina* (*discipulus* DISCIPLIN-, INE²)]

disci'plin'e, v.t. Bring under control, train to obedience & order, drill, whence ~ABLE a.; chastise. [f. med. L (-nare) as prec.]

disclaim', v.t. & i. Renounce legal claim to, renounce claim; disown, disavow, (authorship, character). [AF *desclamer* (DIS-, CLAIM¹)]

disclaim'er, n. Act of disclaiming, renunciation, disavowal. [AF (=prec. as n., -ER⁴)]

disclōse' (-z), v.t. Remove cover from, expose to view, make known, reveal. [f. OF *desclorre* (DIS-, L *claudere* claus- shut)]

disclō'sure (-zher), n. Disclosing; thing disclosed. [-URE]

discōb'olus, n. (pl. -lō). Ancient quoit-thrower; statue of one in act of throwing. [L, f. Gk *diskobolos* (*diskos* stone or metal quoit, -bolos -throwing f. *ballō* throw)]

dis'coid, a. Disk-shaped. [f. L f. Gk *diskoeidēs* (prec., -OID)]

discol'our (-lūr), v.t. & i. Change or spoil the colour of, stain, tarnish; become stained etc. Hence or cogn. **discolo(u)r'¹** ~TION, ~MENT, (-lūr-), nn. [f. OF *descolorer* f. med. L *discolorare* = L *DE(colorare* COLOUR²)]

discom'fit (-ūm-), v.t. Defeat in battle; thwart, disconcert. So ~URE n. [orig. p.p. = defeated f. OF *desconfit* f. LL *DIS(confectus* p.p. see CONFECTION) undone] **discom'fort** (-ūm-), n., & v.t. Uneasiness of body or mind; want of comfort; (vb) make uneasy. [f. OF *desconfort(er)* (DIS-, COMFORT)]

discommōde', v.t. Put to inconvenience. [DIS- + obs. *commode* f. L *commutare* (*commodus* see COMMODE)]

discomm'on, v.t. || Debar (tradesman) from serving undergraduates; enclose (common land). [DIS-, COMMON^{1,2}]

|| **discomm'ons** (-z), v.t. Deprive (member of college) of commons; discommon (tradesman). [DIS-, COMMONS]

discompōse' (-z), v.t. Disturb composure of, ruffle, agitate. Hence ~'edly¹, ~'ingly², a., advv., **discompō'sure** (-zher) n. [DIS-]

discon'cert', v.t. Derange, spoil, upset, (plan, concerted measures); disturb self-possession of, ruffle, fluster. Hence ~MENT n. [f. obs. F *DIS(concertier* CONCERT²)]

disconnēct', v.t. Sever the connexion of (thing from, with, another) or between. [DIS-]

disconnēc'ted, a. In vbl senses; esp. (of speech or writing) incoherent, with bad connexion or transitions, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ED¹]

disconnē'xion, -ction (-kshn), n. Disconnecting; want of connexion, disconnectedness. [DIS-]

discon'solate, a. Forlorn, inconsolable, unhappy, disappointed. Hence ~LY¹ (-tl-) adv. [f. med. L *DIS(consolatus* p.p. of L *consolari* CONSOL²)]

discontent', n., a., & v.t. 1. Dissatisfaction, want of contentment; grievance. 2. adj. (rare). Not content, dissatisfied, (*with*). 3. v.t. (Usu. in p.p.) make dissatisfied; hence **~edly**² adv., **~edness**, **~ment**, nn. [DIS-, CONTENT^{2,4}]

discontig'uous, a. (With parts) not in contact. [DIS-]

discontin'ue, v.t. & i. (Cause to) cease; cease from, give up, (*doing*, habit etc.); cease taking, *~paying* (newspaper, subscription). So **~ance** n. [f. F *discontinuer* f. med. L *DIS(continuare) CONTINUE*]

discontin'uous, a. Wanting continuity in space or time, having interstices, intermittent. Hence or cogn. **discontin'uity** n., **~ly**² adv. [f. med. L *DIS(continuus) CONTINUOUS* + **~ous**]

dis'cord¹, n. 1. Disagreement, variance, strife; harsh noise, clashing sounds; whence or cogn. **dis'cord'ant** a., **dis'cord'ance** n., **dis'cord'antly**² adv. 2. (Mus.) want of harmony between notes sounded together; chord unpleasing or unsatisfactory in itself & requiring to be resolved by another; any interval except unison, octave, perfect fifth and fourth, major & minor third & sixth, & their octaves; single note dissonant with another. [f. OF *descord* (foll.)]

dis'cord², v.i. Disagree, quarrel, be different or inconsistent, (*with*, *from*); be dissonant, jar, clash. [f. OF *descorder* f. L *discordare* f. DIS (*cor*- *cord*- *hearted* f. *cor*- *dis* heart)]

dis'count¹, n. Deduction from amount due or price of goods in consideration of its being paid promptly or in advance; deduction from amount of bill of exchange etc. by one who gives value for it before it is due; discounting; allowance for exaggeration in accepting story; *at a ~*, below par, depreciated, not in demand. [f. 16th-c. F *descompte* (foll.)]

dis'count², v.t. Give or get present worth of (bill not yet due); leave out of account; lessen, detract from; part with for immediate but smaller good; allow for exaggeration in; use up effect of (news etc.) beforehand, stale by anticipation. Hence **~able** a. [f. OF *desconter*, *computer*, f. med. L *DIS(computare) L=COMPUTE*]

dis'count'enance, v.t. Refuse to countenance, discourage, show disapproval of. [f. obs. F *descontenancer* (DIS-, COUNTER- **NANCE**²)]

dis'cou'rage (-kü-), v.t. Deprive of courage, confidence, or energy; deter from; *discourteance*. Hence **~ement** n., **~ingly**² adv., (-küŋ-). [f. OF *descoragier* (DIS-, COURAGE)]

dis'course¹ (-dra), n. Talk, conversation, (*arch.*); dissertation, treatise, sermon. [f. F *discours* f. L *DIS(cursus) COURSE*¹]

dis'course² (-dra), v.i. & t. Talk, con-

verse; hold forth in speech or writing on a subject (*of*, *upon*, or *abs.*); give forth (some kind of music; ref. to *Hamlet* III. ii. 374). [f. prec.]

dis'cour'teous, a., **dis'cour'tesy**, n. (-kâr-, -kôr-). Rude(ness), uncivil, incivility.

Hence **dis'cour'teously**² adv. [DIS-]

dis'cover (-kü-), v.t. Disclose, expose to view, reveal, make known, exhibit, manifest, betray; (Chess) *~ check*, check by removing piece or pawn; find out (*fact* etc., *that* etc., unknown country), suddenly realize, whence or cogn. **~able** a., **~er**¹ n. [f. OF *descovrir* f. med. L *DIS(cooperire) COVER*¹)]

dis'co'vert (-kü-), a. (legal). Unmarried or widowed (of woman). [f. OF *descovret* p.p. (prec.)]

dis'co'very (-kü-), n. Revealing, disclosure, (in Law, compulsory disclosure by party to action of facts or documents on which he relies; in play, poem, etc., revelation unravelling plot); finding out, making known; thing found out. [f. DISCOVER on anal. of RECOVERY (OF *recoûrre*, OF for *discovery* being *descovrte*)]

dis'cred'it¹, n. Loss of repute, thing involving this; doubt, lack of credibility, (*throws ~ upon*); loss of commercial credit. [DIS-]

dis'cred'it², v.t. Refuse to believe; bring disbelief or disrepute upon. [DIS-]

dis'cred'itable, a. Bringing discredit, shameful. Hence **~ly**² adv. [DIS-]

dis'creet¹, a. Judicious, prudent, circumspect, not speaking out in inopportune times. Hence **~ly**² adv. [f. F *discret* f. L *DIS(cretus) p.p. of cernere* sift) separate, with LL sense f. its derivative *discretio* discernment]

dis'crepant (or -rêp'-), a. Different, inconsistent, (of stories etc.). So **dis'crep'ancy** n. [f. L *DIS(crepare) sound*, -ANT]

dis'crète, a. Separate, individually distinct, discontinuous; (Metaphys.) abstract, not concrete. Hence **~ness** (-tn-) n. [f. L *discretus* see DISCREET]

dis'cre'tion, n. Liberty of deciding as one thinks fit, absolutely or within limits (*it is within one's ~ to*; *at the ~ of*, to be settled or disposed of by the wish of; *at ~*, at one's own pleasure; *surrender at ~*, unconditionally), whence **~ary**¹ (-sho-) a.; discernment, prudence, judgement, (*years, age, of ~*, time at which one is fit to manage oneself—in Eng. law, 14; *~ is the better part of valour*, used as joc. excuse for cowardice). [f. OF *discrecion* f. L *discretionem* (DISCREET, -ION)]

discrim'in'ate, v.t. & i. Be, set up, or observe, a difference between (also intr. with *between*), distinguish from another; make a distinction (*~ate against*, distinguish unfavourably, of taxes etc.), observe distinctions carefully. So **~in'atory**

n., ~**ACTIVE** a. [*f. L. discriminare (discrimen* distinction *f. discernere* DISCERN), ~**ATM**²]
discriminating, a. In vbl senses; esp.: discerning, acute; ~ *duty*, *rate*, varying in amount according to country sending goods or person rated, differential. [-ING²]
discrown¹, v.t. Take crown from, depose, (sovereign lit. or fig.). [DIS-]
discuss¹ive, a. Rambling, digressive, expatiating; proceeding by argument or reasoning, not intuitive. Hence ~**LY**² (-vi-) adv., ~**NESS** (-vn-) n. [*f. L. DIS(cutere curs- run), -IVE*]
discus, n. Heavy disk thrown in ancient Roman & Greek athletic exercises & modern Olympic Games & other sports. [*L f. Gk diskos* quoit]
discuss¹, v.t. Examine by argument, debate, whence ~**IBLE** a.; consume with enjoyment (food, wine, meal). [*f. L. DIS(cutere -cuss- = quatere* shake)]
discuss¹ion (-shn), n. Examination by argument; a debate; consumption with enjoyment of food. [*OF, f. L. discussionem* (prec., -ION)]
disdain¹, n., & v.t. Scorn, (regard with) contempt; think beneath oneself (*to do, doing*, or noun) or one's notice. Hence ~**UL** a., ~**FULLY**² adv. [*f. OF desdaigner* *f. L. DIS(dignare f. dignus* worthy)]
disease¹ (-zēz), n. Morbid condition of body, plant, or some part of them, illness, sickness; any particular kind of this with special symptoms & name; deranged or depraved state of mind or morals. [*f. OF desaise* (DIS-, EASE D.)]
diseased¹ (-zēzd), a. Affected with disease; morbid, depraved. [*p.p. of obs. disease* vb *f. OF desaisier* as prec.]
disembark¹, v.t. & i. Put, go, ashore. Hence **disembarkation** n. [*f. F desembarquer* (DIS-, EMBARK)]
disembarrass, v.t. Free from embarrassment, rid or relieve (of); disentangle (*from*). Hence ~**MENT** n. [DIS-]
disembolden¹, v.t. Separate, free, (soul, idea) from body or the concrete; disband (troops). Hence ~**MENT** n. [DIS-]
disembogue¹ (-g), v.i. & t. (Of river etc.) pour forth at mouth (intr., or *itself*, waters, etc.); (fig.) discharge, pour forth, (t. & i. of speech, crowd, etc.). [*f. Sp. desembocar* DIS-, en in, boca mouth]
disembowom (-ōbz-), v.t. & i. Disolose, reveal; unburden oneself, make confidences. [DIS-]
disembowel¹, v.t. (-ll-). Remove entrails of, rip up so as to cause bowels to protrude. Hence ~**MENT** n. [DIS-]
disembroil¹, v.t. Extricate from confusion or entanglement. [DIS-]
disenchanted¹ (-ah-), v.t. Free from enchantment or illusion. Hence ~**MENT** (-ah-) n. [*f. F désenchanter* (DIS-, ENCHANT)]
disencomber, v.t. Free from encumbrance. [*f. F désencombrer* (DIS-, ENCOMBRER)]

disendow¹, v.t. Strip (esp. Church) of endowments. Hence ~**MENT** n. [DIS-]
disengage¹, v.t. & i., & n. Detach, liberate, loosen; (Fencing) pass point of sword to other side of opponent's (n., this movement); come apart, break contact. [DIS-]
disengaged¹ (-jd), a. In vbl senses; esp.: at leisure to attend to any visitor or business that comes; vacant, not bespoken. [-ED¹]
disengage¹ment (-jm-), n. Disengaging; liberation (of chem. component); freedom from ties, detachment; easy natural manner; dissolution of engagement to marry; (Fencing) = **DISENGAGE** n. [-MENT]
disentail¹, v.t. (legal). Free from entail, break the entail of. [DIS-]
disentanglement (-nggl-), v.t. & i. Extricate, free from complications; unravel, untwist; come clear of tangle. Hence ~**MENT** (-nggelm-) n. [DIS-]
disenthrall¹ (-awl), v.t. (-ll-). Free from bondage. Hence **disenthrallment** (-awl-) n. [DIS-]
disentomb¹ (-ōdm), v.t. Take out of tomb; unearth, find by research. [DIS-]
disequilibrium, n. Lack or loss of equilibrium, instability. [DIS-]
disestablish¹, v.t. Undo establishment of; deprive (Church) of State connexion, depose from official position. Hence ~**MENT** n. [DIS-]
disseur (dēzēr'), n. (fem. -euse, pron. -ēz'). Artist entertaining with monologue. [*F. = talker*]
disfavor¹ (-ver), n., & v.t. Dislike, disapproval; being disliked (*fall into, be in, ~*); (vb) regard, treat, with ~. [DIS-]
disfigure¹, v.t. Mar features of, disfigure. [DIS-]
disfigure¹ment (-ger), v.t. Mar beauty of, deform, deface, sully. Hence **disfiguration**, ~**MENT** (-germ-), nn. [*f. OF desfigurer* (DIS-, L figurare *f. figura* FIGURE¹)]
disforest¹, v.t. = **DISAFFOREST**; clear of forests. [*f. OF desforester* (DIS-, FOREST)]
disfranchise¹ (-iz), v.t. Deprive of citizen rights; deprive (place) of right of sending, (person) of right of voting for, parliamentary representative. Hence ~**MENT** (-izm-) n. [DIS-, obs. franchise vb = ENFRANCHISE]
disfranchise¹, v.t. Deprive of clerical (garb & status). [DIS-]
disgorge¹, v.t. & i. Eject (as) from throat (esp. fig., trans. or abs., of giving up ill-gotten gains, booty, etc.); (of river etc., trans., refl., or intr.) disembogue, discharge (waters). [*f. OF desgorger* (DIS-, GORGE¹)]
disgrace¹, n. Loss of favour, downfall from position of honour; ignominy, shame; thing involving dishonour, cause of reproach. Hence ~**FUL** a., ~**SHY** adv., ~**SHINE** n., (-st-). [*f. F disgrader* *f. It. disgrada* *f. mod. L. disgratia* GRACE)]

disgrâce¹, v.t. Dismiss from favour, degrade from position; bring shame or discredit upon, be a disgrace to. [f. F *disgracier* as prec.]

disgrün'tled (-ld), a. Discontented, moody. [from 17th c.; *DIS*-, *grunle* obs. frequent. of *GRUNT*]

disguise¹ (-giz), v.t. Conceal identity of (~oneself, person or thing, as someone or something else, by doing, with false beard etc., in costume etc.); misrepresent, show in false colours; conceal, cloak, (~one's intention, opinion); ~d in or with drink or liquor, drunk. Hence ~MENT (-izm-) n. [f. OF *desguiser* (*DIS*-, Rom. *guisa* *GUISE*)]

disguise² (-giz), n. Use of changed dress or appearance for concealment's sake, disguised condition (*blessing in ~*, one that seems to be a misfortune); garb used to deceive; artificial manner, deception. [f. prec.]

disgust¹, n. Loathing, nausea, repugnance, strong aversion, (at, for, towards, against). [f. 16th-c. F *desguster* (*DIS*-, L *gustus* taste)]

disgust², v.t. Excite loathing, aversion, or indignation, in (~ed with, at, by). Hence ~edly², ~ingly², adv. [f. 16th-c. F *desguster* (*DIS*-, L *gustus* taste)]

disgustful, a. Disgusting, repulsive; (of contempt, curiosity, etc.) inspired by, full of, disgust. [-FUL]

dish¹, n. Shallow flat-bottomed usu. oval or oblong vessel of earthenware, glass, or metal, for holding food at meals; food so held, particular kind of food (*SIDE* ~; *made* ~, of various ingredients; *standing* ~, that appears daily, also fig.); || (arch.) cup, esp. ~ of tea, tea-drinking, whence ~ of gossip, a chat; ~-shaped receptacle used for any purpose; ~-cover, of metal etc. for keeping food in ~ hot; ~-cloth & (arch.) ~-clout, for washing ~es & plates; ~-wash, ~-water, in which ~es have been washed; ~-washer, water wastall. [OE *disc* (cf. G *tisch* table) f. L *discus* *DISK*]

dish², v.t. & i. Put (food) into dish ready for serving; ~ up, serve meal, (fig.) present (facts, argument) attractively; make concave or dish-shaped; (of horse) move fore-feet not straight but with scooping motion; circumvent, out-maneuvre, (esp., Pol.) defeat (opponents) by adopting their policy (~ing the *Whigs*, of Reform Bill 1867). [f. prec.]

dishabile¹ (-sabel), n. Being negligently or partly dressed, undress, (usu. in ~); undress garment or costume. [f. F *déshabillé* p.p. of *déshabiller* (*DIS*-, *habiller* clothe f. *habile* ready, *ABLE*)]

dishabit'üate (-s-h-), v.t. Make (person) unaccustomed (for etc.). [*DIS*-]

dishärm'onize (-s-h-), v.t. Put out of harmony, make discordant. [*DIS*-]

dishärm'oný (-s-h-), n. Discord, dissonance. So **dishärm'on'ious** a. [*DIS*-] **disheart'en** (-s-här-), v.t. Make despondent, rob of courage. Hence ~MENT n. [*DIS*-]

|| **dishé'risen** (-s-h-), n. Disinheriting. [f. OF *disheriteisun* (*DIS*-, *hereditare* f. *heres* heir, -ATION, -SON)]

dishév'elled (-ld), a. With disordered hair; (of hair) loose, flung about, unconfined; (of person) untidy, ruffled, unkempt. Hence **dishév'elment** n. [f. OF *deschevelé* (*DIS*-, OF *chevel* hair f. L *capillus*, p.p. suf. -él)]

dishon'est (-sò-), a. Fraudulent, knavish, insincere, (of person, act, statement). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *deshoneste* f. L *de(honestus)* *HONEST*]

dishon'estý (-sò-), n. Want of honesty, knavery, deceitfulness, fraud. [f. OF *desonesté* f. L *dishonestus* after *honestatem* *HONESTY*]

dishon'our¹ (-s-öner), n. State of shame or disgrace, discredit; thing that involves this; refusal to honour cheque, bill of exchange, etc. [f. OF *deshonor* (*DIS*-, L *honorem* *HONOUR*)]

dishon'our² (-s-öner), v.t. Treat with indignity; violate chastity of; disgrace; refuse to accept or pay (cheque, bill of exchange). [f. OF *deshonnorer* f. LL *DIS*-(*honorare* L=HONOUR)]

dishon'ourable (-s-öner-), a. Involving disgrace, ignominious; unprincipled, base, against dictates of honour. Hence ~LENESS n., ~LY² adv. [*DIS*-]

dishörn' (-s-h-), v.t. Cut off horns of. [*DIS*-]

dishouse' (-s-h-), v.t. Deprive (population etc.) of house(s). [*DIS*-]

disillu'sion, n., & v.t., **disillu'sionize**, v.t., (-ö-zho-). Disenchant(ment), free(dom) from illusions. Hence ~MENT n. [*DIS*-, -IZE]

disinclinä'tion, n. Want of liking or willingness (for or to course, to do). [*DIS*-]

disincline', v.t. Make indisposed (to do, for or to course). [*DIS*-]

disincorp'orate, v.t. Dissolve (corporate body). [*DIS*-]

disinfec't, v.t. Cleanse (room, clothes, etc.) of infection. Hence or cogn. **disinfec'tant**(2) a. & n., **disinfec'tion** n. [*DIS*-]

disingén'uous (-j-), a. Insincere, having secret motives, not candid. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [*DIS*-]

disinhé'rit, v.t. Reject as heir, deprive of inheritance. Hence ~ANCE n. [*DIS*-, inherit in obs. sense make heir]

disin'tegrä'te, v.t. & i. Separate into component parts, deprive of or lose cohesion. Hence ~A'TION, ~ÄTOR(2), nn. [*DIS*-]

disinter', v.t. (-rr-). Unbury, exhume; unearth. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *désenterrer* (DIS-, INTER¹)]

disin'terest', v.t. & refl. To divest of interest, (refl.) cease to concern oneself (esp., in Diplom., renounce intention or right of intervening etc.). [DIS-]

disin'terested', a. Not biased by self-seeking, impartial; ~ management (of public house by manager who does not profit by sale of liquor). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [DIS-]

disinvest'ment, n. Realization of a country's assets abroad. [DIS-]

disjéc'ta mēm'bra, n. pl. Fragments, scattered remains. [L]

disjoin', v.t. Separate, disunite, part. [f. OF *desjoindre* f. L *disjungere* junct-join]

disjoint', v.t. Dislocate, disturb working or connexion of (p.p., esp. of talk, incoherent, desultory, whence ~EDLY² adv., ~EDNESS n.); take in pieces at the joints. [f. obs. *disjoint* adj. f. p.p. of OF as prec.]

disjunc'tion, n. Disjoining, separation. [f. L *disjunctio* (DISJOIN-, ION)]

disjunc'tive, a. & n. Disjoining, involving separation; (Log., Gram.) alternative (adj.), involving choice between two words etc., (n., ~ proposition or conjunction). Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv. [f. L *disjunctivus* (DISJOIN-, IVE)]

disk, disc, n. Thin circular plate (e.g. coin); round flat or apparently flat surface (*sun's* ~) or mark; round flattened part in body, plant, etc. [f. L f. Gk *diskos* quit]

dislike', v.t., & n. 1. Not like, have aversion or objection to. 2. n. Aversion (to, of, for). [DIS-]

dis'locate, v.t. Put out of joint (limb, or fig. machinery, affairs); (Geol.) make (strata) discontinuous; displace. So **disloca'tion n.** [f. med.L *dislocare* L=place], -ATE²]

dislodge', v.t. Remove, turn out, (esp. fortified enemy) from position. Hence ~MENT (-jiz-) n. [f. OF *desloger* (DIS-, LODGE v.)]

disloy'al, a. Unfaithful to or to friendship etc.; untrue to allegiance, disaffected to government, whence ~IST(2) n. & a. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~TY n. [f. OF *desloial* (DIS-, LOYAL)]

dis'mal (-z), a., dis'mal's, n. pl. Depressing, miserable, sombre, dreary; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.; *the* ~ science, political economy; *the* ~s, low spirits, dumps. [orig. noun = unlucky days f. OF *dis mal* f. L *dies mali* ill days; these were two special days in each month in medieval calendars]

dismān'tle, v.t. Strip of covering, protection, etc.; deprive (fortress, ship, etc.) of defences, rigging, equipment. Hence ~MENT (-lm-) n. [f. obs. F *desmanteller* (DIS-, MANTLE n.)]

dismast' (-ah-), v.t. Deprive (ship) of mast(s). [DIS-]

dismay', v.t., & n. (Fill with) consternation, discourage(ment). [prob. thr. OF f. DIS- + OHG *magas* be powerful (MAY v.)]

dismē'm'ber, v.t. Tear or cut limb from limb; partition (empire, country), divide up. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *deamember* (DIS-, L *membrum* limb)]

dismiss', v.t., & n. Send away, disperse, disband, (assembly, army; Mil., imperat., word of command closing drill, also as n., *the* ~, release at end of drill); allow to go; discharge, cashier, from service or office (*was* ~ed *the*, or *from the*, army); send away from one's presence; put out of one's thoughts, cease to feel; treat (subject) summarily; (Law) send out of court, refuse further hearing to, (case); (Cricketer, of batsman) send (ball), send ball of (bowler), usu. to boundary or for four etc., (of fielding side) put (batsman, side) out (usu. for score). Hence ~AL(2), (now rare) **dismission** (-shn), nn., ~IBLE a. [prob. f. L *dismittere* miss- send] with *dis-* due to obs. *dismit* f. OF *desmettre* in same sense]

dismount', v.i. & t., & n. Alight, cause to alight, from or from horseback etc. (n., alighting); unseat, unhorse, (of horse, enemy, or stumble etc.); remove (thing) from its mount (esp. gun from carriage). [DIS-]

disobēd'ience, n., disobēd'ient, a. Disobeying (~ to orders, master, etc.), rebellious(ness), rule-breaking. Hence **disobēd'iently² adv.** [f. OF (*des-*), see DIS-, OBEDIENCE, OBDIENT]

disobey' (-bā), v.i. & t. Disregard orders, break rules; not obey (person, law). [f. F *désobéir* (DIS-, OBEY)]

disoblige', v.t. Refuse to consult convenience or wishes of. Hence ~ING² a., ~ingly² adv., ~ingness n. [f. F *désobliger* (DIS-, OBLIGE)]

disord'er¹, n. Want of order, confusion; tumult, riot, commotion; ailment, disease. [DIS-]

disord'er², v.t. Disarrange, throw into confusion; put out of health, upset. [assim. to ORDER v. of earlier *disordain* f. OF *desordener* (DIS-, ORDAIN)]

disord'erly, a. 1. Untidy, confused; irregular, unruly, riotous; hence ~INESS n. 2. Constituting public nuisance (~y houses, bawdy, gaming, or betting, -house) [DISORDER¹, -LY²]

disord'ranize, v.t. Destroy system etc. of, throw into confusion. Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *désorganiser* (DIS-, ORGANIZE)]

disorient'ate, v.t. Place (chariot) with chance not directly eastwards; confuse (person) as to his bearings (lit. & fig.). Hence ~ATION n. [DIS-]

disown' (-ān), v.t. Refuse to recognize, repudiate, disclaim; renounce allegiance to. [DIS-]

dispá'ragie, v.t. Bring discredit on, lower; speak slightly of, deprecate. So ~**EMENT** (-izm-) n., ~**INGLY**¹ (-li-) adv. [f. OF *desparagier* marry unequally (DIS-, *parage* equality f. L *par* equal, -AGE)]

dis'parate, a. & n. 1. Essentially different, diverse in kind, incommensurable, without relation; hence ~**LY**² (-tl-) adv., ~**NESS** (-tn-) n. 2. n. (usu. pl.). Thing(s) so unlike that there is no basis for comparison. [f. L DIS(*paratus* p.p. of *parare* provide) separate, influenced in sense by L *dispar* unequal]

dispá'ritý, n. Inequality, difference, incongruity. [f. F DIS(*parité* PARITY)]

dispá'rk, v.t. Convert (park-land) to other uses. [DIS-]

dispá'rt¹, n. (gunnery). Difference between scudimeters of gun at base-ring and at muzzle, to be allowed for in aiming; sight making the allowance. [?]

dispá'rt², v.t. & i. (poet.). Separate, part asunder, (t. & i.); go in different directions; distribute. [f. L DIS(*partire* f. *pars* part) distribute]

dispá'ssionate (-sho-), a. Free from emotion, calm, impartial. Hence ~**LY**² (-tl-) adv., ~**NESS** (-tn-) n. [DIS-]

dispá'tch¹, **dés-**, v.t. & i. Send off to a destination or for a purpose; give the death-blow to, kill; get (task, business) promptly done, settle, finish off; eat (food, meal) quickly; (arch.) make haste. [f. Sp. *despachar* expedite (DIS-, L *pactus* p.p. of *pangere* fasten); not connected w. F *dépêcher*]

dispá'tch², **dés-**, n. Sending off (of messenger, letter, etc.); putting to death (happy ~, suicide as practised by Japanese); prompt settlement of business, promptitude, efficiency, rapidity; written message, esp. official communication on State affairs (~*box*, for carrying these & other documents); agency for conveying goods etc.; ~*rider*, esp. motor-cyclist or horseman carrying military messages. [f. prec.]

dispél, v.t. (-li-). Dissipate, disperse, (fears, darkness). [f. L DIS(*pellere* drive)]

dispén'sable, a. That can be relaxed in special cases (canon, law, oath); not necessary, that can be done without. [f. med. L *dispensabilis* (DISPENSE, -ABLE)]

dispén'sary, n. Place, esp. charitable institution, where medicines are dispensed; apothecary's shop. [DISPENSE, -ARY¹]

dispensá'tion, n. Distributing, dealing out; ordering, management, esp. of the world by Providence; arrangement made by Nature or Providence; special dealing of Providence with community or person; religious system prevalent at a period (Mosaic, O.T., Christian, ~); exemption (penalty or duty laid down in esp.

eccl. law (with, from); doing without (with). [f. L *dispensatio* (foll., -ATION)]

dispénse', v.t. & i. 1. Distribute, deal out; administer (sacrament, justice); make up & give out (medicine); grant dispensations; release from obligation. 2. ~ with: relax, give exemption from, (rule); annul binding force of (path); render needless (usu. the need of etc.); do without. Hence **dispén'ser**¹ n., (esp.) professional maker-up of medical prescriptions. [f. OF *dispenser* f. L *dis*; frequent. of DIS(*pendere* pens- weigh)]

dispeo'ple (-pép-), v.t. Depopulate. [f. OF *despeupler* f. L DE(*populare* f. *populus* people)]

dispérse', v.t. & i. Scatter (t. & i.), drive, go, throw or send, in different directions, rout, dispel, be dispelled; send to or station at separate points; put in circulation, disseminate; (Opt.) divide (white light) into its coloured rays. Hence ~**AL**(2) n., ~**EDLY**² adv., ~**IVE** a., ~**IVELY**² adv., ~**IVENESS** n. [f. F *disperser* f. L DI(*spargere* -*spers*=*spargere* scatter)]

dispér'sion (-shn), n. Dispersing (see prec.); the D~, the Jews dispersed among Gentiles after Captivity. [f. L *dispersio* (proc., -ION)]

dispi'rit, v.t. Make despondent, depress. Hence ~**EDLY**² adv. [DIS-]

dispit'éous, a. Pitiless. [19th-c. revival with changed sense as if f. DIS-, PITEOUS, of 16th-c. *despiteous* (DESPITE)]

displá'ce, v.t. Shift from its place (~*d* persons, esp.) forced and slave labourers of Nazis; remove from office; oust, take the place of, put something else in the place of, replace. [f. OF *desplacer* (DIS-, PLACE n.)]

displá'cement (-sm-), n. Displacing, being displaced; amount by which thing is shifted from its place; ousting, replacement by something else; amount or weight of fluid displaced by solid floating or immersed in it (a ship with a ~ of 11,000 tons). [prec., -MENT]

display', v.t. Exhibit, expose to view, show; show ostentatiously; reveal, betray, allow to appear. [f. OF *despleier* f. L DIS(*placare* fold) cf. DEPLOY]

display'', n. Displaying; exhibition, show; ostentation; (Print.) arrangement of type with a view to calling attention. [f. prec.]

displeas'e (-z), v.t. Offend, annoy, make indignant or angry, be disagreeable to; be ~*ed* (at, with, or abs), disapprove, be indignant or dissatisfied. Hence ~**ING**² a., ~**INGLY**² adv., (-zi-). [f. OF *desplaisir* (DIS-, L *placare* please)]

displea'sure (-lêzh-), n., & v.t. Displeased feeling, dissatisfaction, disapproval, anger; (vb) cause ~ to, annoy. [f. OF as prec., assim. to FEMASURE]

displume' (-ōō-), v.t. (poet.). Strip of feathers, lit. & fig. [DIS-]

disport', v. refl. & i., & n. (arch.). 1. Frolic, gambol, enjoy oneself, display oneself sportively. 2. n. Relaxation, pastime. [f. OF *desporter* f. DIS-, L *portare* carry]

dispōs'able (-za-), a. That can be disposed of, got rid of, made over, or used; at disposal. Hence ~BILITy n. [DISPOSE, -ABLE]

dispōs'al (-zī), n. Disposing of, getting rid of, settling, dealing with, bestowal, assignment; sale; control, management, (at one's ~); placing, disposition, arrangement. [foll., -AL(2)]

dispōse' (-z), v.t. & i. 1. Place suitably, at intervals, or in order; bring (person, mind) into certain state (esp. in p.p. *well-ill-*, ~d); incline, make willing or desirous, to something or to do; give (thing) tendency to; determine course of events (*man proposes, God ~s*). 2. ~ of: do what one will with, regulate; get off one's hands, stow away, settle, finish, kill, demolish (claim, argument, opponent), dismiss (cricket XI for certain score), consume (food); sell. [f. OF *disposer* see POSSE¹ substituted for L *disponere* thr. such derivatives as foll.]

disposi'tion (-zī-), n. Setting in order, arrangement, relative position of parts; (usu. pl.) plan, preparations, stationing of troops ready for attack, defence, etc.; ordinance, dispensation, (a ~ of Providence etc.); bestowal by deed or will; control, disposal, (at one's ~); bent, temperament, natural tendency; inclination to. [F, f. L *DIS(positionem f. ponere posit- place)*]

dispossess' (-oz-), v.t. Oust, dislodge, (person); deprive of; rid (person) of or of evil spirit (obs.). Hence **dispossess'sion** (-shn), ~OR¹ (-oz-), nn. [f. OF *despossesser* (DIS-, POSSESS)]

dispraise' (-z), v.t., & n. Disparagement, censure. [n. f. vb, f. OF *despreisier* f. L *depretiare* DEPRECIATE]

disproof', n. Refutation; thing that disproves. [DIS-]

dispropor'tion, n. Want of proportion; being out of proportion. Hence ~ED¹ (-shnd) a. [DIS-]

dispropor'tionate (-sho-), a. Wanting proportion; relatively too large or small. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [DIS-]

disprove' (-ōv), v.t. (p.p. ~d, rarely ~n). Prove false, show fallacy of, refute. [f. OF *desprover* (DIS-, PROVE)]

dis'putable, a. Open to question, uncertain. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *disputabilis* (DISPUTE¹, -ABLE)]

disputā'tion, n. Argument, controversy. Hence ~A'tious (-shus) a., ~A'tiously² adv., ~A'tiousness n., (-shus-). [f. L *disputatio* (foll., -ATION)]

dispute', v.t. & t. Argue, hold disputation, (with, against, person, on, about,

subject), whence **dis'putant**(1) n. & a.; quarrel, have altercation; discuss (*whether, how*, etc.); point, question; controvert, call in question, (statement, fact); resist (landing, advance, etc.); contend for, strive to win, (pre-eminence, victory, every inch of ground). [f. OF *desputer* f. L *DIS(putare)* reckon]

dispute', n. Controversy, debate, (in ~, being argued about; *beyond, past, without*, ~, certainly, indisputably); heated contention, quarrel, difference of opinion. [f. prec.]

disquali'fication (-ōl-), n. In vbl senses; esp., thing that disqualifies. [foll., -IFICATION]

disqual'ify (-ōl-), v.t. Unfit, disable, (for some purpose or office); incapacitate legally, pronounce unqualified. [DIS-]

disqui'et, v.t., a., & n. Deprive of peace, worry; (adj.) uneasy, disturbed, whence **disqui'etude**, ~NESS, nn.; (n.) anxiety, unrest. [DIS-]

disquisi'tion (-zī-), n. (Arch.) investigation, inquiry; (mod.) long or elaborate treatise or discourse on subject. Hence ~AL a. [f. L *DIS(quisitio f. quirere -quist- -quaerere* seek, -ION)]

disrāte', v.t. (naut.). Reduce to lower rating or rank. [DIS-]

disregārd', v.t., & n. 1. Pay no attention to, ignore, treat as of no importance. 2. n. Indifference, neglect (*of, for*). [DIS-]

disrēl'ish, n., & v.t. Dislike, (regard with) distaste, aversion. [DIS-]

disrēmēm'ber, v.t. (dial. etc.). Fail to remember. [DIS-]

disrepair', n. Bad condition for want of repairs (usu. *is* etc. *in* ~). [DIS-]

disrēp'utable, a. Discreditable; of bad repute, not respectable in character or appearance. Hence ~leness (-ln-) n., ~LY² adv. [DIS-]

disrēpute', n. Ill repute, discredit. [DIS-]

disrēspēct', n. Rudeness, want of respect. So ~FUL a., ~fully² adv., ~fulness n. [DIS-]

disrōbe', v.t. & i. Divest of robe or garment (also fig.); undress (refl. or intr.). [DIS-]

disrōt', v.t. Uproot; dislodge. [DIS-]

disrūpt', v.t. Shatter, separate forcibly. [10th-c. vb f. L *disrupt*-see foll.]

disrūp'tion, n. Bursting asunder, violent dissolution, rent condition; the D-, split in Church of Scotland 1843. So **disrūp'tive** a. [f. L *disruptio f. rumpere rupt-break*, -ION]

dissāt'isfy, v.t. Fail to satisfy, make discontented (*dissatisfied with, wth*). So **dissat'isfaction** n. [DIS-]

dissāve', v.t. Spend one's savings. [DIS-]

dissēat', v.t. Unseat. [DIS-]

dissēct', v.t. Cut in pieces; anatomize, cut up, (animal, plant) to show its structure etc.; examine part by part, analyse,

criticize in detail. Hence or cogn. **dis-séc'tion**, **dissec'tor**¹, **nn.** [f. L *dis*(*secare* *sect*-cut)]

disseise, -ze, (-sē), **v.t.** Oust, dispossess, of estates (or fig.). [f. OF *desseisir* (DIS-, SEIZE)]

disseis'in, -zin, (-sē-), **n.** (legal). Dis-seising, wrongful dispossession of real property. [f. OF *desseisine* (DIS-, SEIZIN)]

dissēm'ble, **v.t. & i.** Cloak, disguise, conceal, (character, feeling, intention, act); pretend not to see, ignore, (insult etc.; arch.); fail to mention (fact); conceal one's motives etc., be a hypocrite, whence ~**ER**¹ **n.** [perh. assim. to resemble of obs. *dissimule* f. OF *dissimuler* f. L *dis*(*simulare* *simulare*)]

dissēm'injāte, **v.t.** Scatter abroad, sow in various places, (lit., seed; usu. fig., doctrines, sedition, etc.). So ~**A'TION**, ~**ATOR**¹, **nn.** [f. L *dis*(*seminare* f. *semen* -*inis* seed), -**ATE**¹]

dissēn'sion (-shn), **n.** Discord arising from difference in opinion. [F, f. L *dis*(*sen**tionem* f. *sentire* *sens*-feel, -**ION**)]

dissēnt'¹, **v.i.** Refuse to assent; disagree, think differently or express such difference (*from*), || esp. in religious doctrine from an established church (~*ing minister*, nonconformist clergyman). Hence ~**ing-ly**² **adv.** [f. L *dis*(*sentire* feel)]

dissēnt'², **n.** (Expression of) difference of opinion; || refusal to accept doctrines of established church, nonconformity, (collect.) dissenters. [f. prec.]

dissēn'ter, **n.** One who dissents, esp. from a national church; || member of a sect that has separated itself from the Church of England. [-**ER**¹]

dissēn'tient (-shi-, -shnt), **a. & n.** (One) disagreeing with a majority or official view. [f. L *dis*(*sentire* feel), -**ENT**¹]

dissēp'iment, **n.** (bot. & zool.). Partition, septum. [f. L *dis*(*saepimentum* f. *saepire* f. *saepes* hedge, -**MENT**)]

dissērt', **diss'ertāte**, **vv.i.** Discourse, give an exposition, disquisition, or disserta'TION **n.** [f. p.p. stems of L *dis*(*serere* *seri*-join) & its frequent. *dissertare*, -**ATE**¹]

dissērv'e, **v.t.** Do an ill turn to. So **dis-sērv'ice** **n.** [DIS-]

dissēv'er, **v.t. & i.** Sever, divide. [DIS-] **diss'idence**, **n.** Disagreement, dissent. [f. L *dissidentia* (foll., -**ENON**)]

diss'ident, **a. & n.** Disagreeing, at variance; dissentient (a. & n.); dissenter. [f. L *dis*(*sistere* -*cedere* sit), -**ENT**¹]

dissight' (-it), **n.** (rare). Unsightly thing, eyesore. [DIS-]

dissim'ilar, **a.** Unlike (to, also rarely *from*, *with*). Hence **dissimilā'rity** **n.**, ~**LY**² **adv.** [DIS-]

dissim'ilāte, **v.t.** (philol.). Make unlike *scapulae* repeating each other, as in cin-

namon, orig. cinnamon). Hence ~**A'TION** **n.** [f. L *dis*(*similis* like), after ASSIMILATE]

dissim'ilūde, **n.** Unlikeness. [f. L *dissimilitudo* (prec., -**TUDE**)]

dissim'üljāte, **v.t. & i.** Pretend not to have or feel (cf. *SIMULATE*); dissimble, be hypocritical. So ~**A'TION**, ~**ATOR**², **nn.** [f. L *dis*(*simulare* *simulare*), -**ATE**¹]

diss'ipāt'e, **v.t. & i.** Disperse, dissipel or disappear, (cloud, vapour, care, fear, darkness); dissolve to atoms, bring or come to nothing; squander (money); fritter away (energy, attention); engage in frivolous or dissolute pleasures (*people go there to ~e*). Hence ~**IVE** **a.** [f. L *dis*(*sipare* throw), -**ATE**¹]

diss'ipāt'e, **a.** In vbl senses; esp., given to dissipation, dissolute. [-**ED**¹]

dissipā'tion, **n.** Scattering, dispersion, disintegration; wasteful expenditure of; distraction, want of concentration, of faculties etc.; frivolous amusement; intemperate or vicious living. [f. L *dissipatio* (DISSIPATE, -**ION**)]

dissō'cialize (-sha-), **v.t.** Make unsocial, disincline for society. [DIS-, SOCIAL, -**IZE**]

dissō'ciāte (-shi-), **v.t.** Disconnect, separate, in thought or in fact (*from*); (Chem.) decompose, e.g. by heat; (Psych.) cause (person's mind) to develop more than one centre of consciousness (~*ated personality*, co-existence of two or more distinct personalities in the same person). So ~**A'TION** (-si-), **n.**, ~**ABLE**, ~**ATIVE**, (-sha-), **aa.** [f. L *dis*(*sociare* f. *socius* comrade), -**ATE**¹]

diss'oluble (-öbl; or dissöl'übl), **a.** That can be disintegrated, untied, or disconnected. Hence ~**IL'ITY** (-lōb-) **n.** [f. L *dis*(*solubilis* *SOLUBLE*)]

diss'olute (-öbl), **a.** Lax in morals, licentious. Hence ~**LY**² (-tl-) **adv.**, ~**NESS** (-tn-) **n.** [f. L *dissolutus* p.p. (DISSOLVE)]

dissolu'tion (-lō-), **n.** Disintegration, decomposition; liquefaction (of ice or snow); undoing of bond, partnership, marriage, or alliance; dismissal of assembly, || esp. ending of a Parliament with a view to fresh election; death; coming to an end, fading away, disappearance. [f. L *dissolutio* (foll., -**ION**)]

dissöl'v'e' (-z-), **v.t. & i.** Decompose (t. & i.); make or become liquid esp. by immersion in liquid (~*ed in tears*, weeping copiously), relax, enervate; vanish (~*ing views*, of magic lantern, one fading while another replaces it); disperse (t. & i.), || esp. ~*e Parliament* or ~*e*, declare **DIS-SOLUTION**; put an end to (partnership etc.), annul. Hence ~**ABLE** **a.** [f. L *dis*(*solvere* *solut*-loosen)]

dissöl'vent (-z-), **a. & n.** (Thing) that dissolves something (usu. of). [-**ENT**¹]

diss'onant, **a.** Discordant, harsh-toned, incongruous. Hence or cogn. **diss'o-**

DANCE n., ~LY¹ adv. [L *DIS*(sonare sound), -ANT]

dissuade' (-swād), v.t. Advise against, deprecate, (action); give advice to hinder, divert, (person from). So **dissuas'ion** (-wāzhn) n., **dissuās'ive** (-sw-) a. [f. L *DIS*(suadēre suas- persuade)]

dissyllable etc. See **disy-** etc.

dissymmē'trical, a., **dissymm'etry**, n. Symmetrical, symmetry, in opposite directions, as in the two hands (esp. of crystals with two corresponding forms). [DIS-]

dis'taff (-ahf), n. Cleft stick about 3 ft long on which wool or flax was wound for spinning by hand; corresponding part of spinning-wheel; woman's work; ~ *side*, female branch of family (cf. *spear-side* for the male). [OE *distaf* (LG *diesse* bunch of flax + *STAFF*)]

dis'tal, a. (anat., bot.). Away from centre of body or point of attachment, terminal. [irreg. f. *DISTANT*, -AL]

dis'tance, n., & v.t. 1. Being far off, remoteness; extent of space between, interval, (*within striking* ~, near enough to deliver blow); avoidance of familiarity, reserve, (esp. *keep one's* ~); distant point (*at, to, from*, a ~); remoter field of vision (*in the* ~; *middle* ~, in painted or actual landscape, between foreground & far part); space of time (*at this* ~ of time); (in adv. phrr.) *a good* etc. ~ off; (Rac-) a length of 240 yds (i.e. the ~ of the ~ *post*, used in (obs.) heat-racing, from the winning-post); *beaten by a* ~ (by about that ~). 2. v.t. Place or make seem far off; leave far behind in race or competition. [f. OF *distance* f. L *distantia* (Di'stare stand apart)]

dis'tant, a. Far, or a specified distance, away or from (*three miles* ~); remote, far apart, in position, time, resemblance, etc. (*a* ~ *likeness*, *connexion*; ~ *ages*; ~ *signal* on railway, one in advance of home signal to give warning); not intimate, reserved, cool. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [F, f. L *distant*-part. st. see *DISTANCE*]

distāste', n. Dislike, repugnance, slight aversion, (*for*). [DIS-]

distāste'ful (-tf-), a. Disagreeable, repellent, (*to*). Hence ~NESS n. [-FUL]

distēm'per¹, v.t. (arch., usu. in p.p.). Upset, derange, in health or sanity (*a* ~ed fancy). [f. med. L *DIS*(TEMPERARE L)]

distēm'per², n. Derangement, an ailment, of body or mind; dog-disease with catarrh, cough, & weakness; political disorder. [f. prec.]

distēm'per³, n., & v.t. 1. Method of painting on plaster or chalk with colours mixed with yolk of egg, size, etc., instead of oil, used for scene-painting & internal walls (*paint in* ~). 2. v.t. Paint (wall etc., or abs.) thus. [n. f. vb, f. OF *desemper* f. L as *DISTEMPER*¹]

distēnd', v.t. & i. Swell out by pressure

from within (balloon, vein, nostrils, etc.). So **distēn'sible** a., **distēnsibl'ity**, **distēn'sion** (-shn), nn. [f. L *DIS*(tendere tense-stretch)]

dis'tich (-k), n. Pair of verse lines, couplet. [f. L f. Gk *DI*²(stikhon f. stikhos line) neut. adj.]

dis'tichous (-k-), a. (bot.). (Having fruit etc.) arranged in two vertical lines on opposite sides of stem. [f. L f. Gk as prec., -OUS]

distil', v.i. & t. (-ll-). Trickle down; come or give forth in drops, exude; turn to vapour by heat, condense by cold, & re-collect (liquid); extract essence of (plant etc., or fig. doctrine etc.); drive (volatile constituent) off or out by heat; make (whisky, essence) by distillation; undergo distillation. So ~LA'TION n., ~I'gatory a. [f. L *DI*¹(stillare drop)]

dis'tillate, n. Product of distillation. [as prec., -ATE²]

distill'er, n. One who distils, esp. alcoholic spirit, whence ~ERY(3) n.; apparatus for distilling salt water at sea. [-ER¹]

distinct', a. Not identical, separate, individual, different in quality or kind, unlike, (*from*, or *abs.*); clearly perceptible, plain, definite; unmistakable, decided, positive. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *distinctus* p.p. see *DISTINGUISH*]

distinc'tion, n. Making of a difference, discrimination, the difference made (~ *without a difference*, a merely nominal or artificial one); being different; thing that differentiates, mark, name, title; showing of special consideration, mark of honour; distinguished character, excellence, eminence; (of literary style) individuality. [F, f. L *distinctionem* (DISTINGUISH, -ION)]

distinc'tive, a. Distinguishing, characteristic. Hence ~LY¹ (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [DISTINGUISH, -IVE]

distingué (see Ap.), a. Of distinguished air, features, manners, etc. [F]

disting'uish (-nggw-), v.t. & i. Divide into classes etc.; be, see, or point out, the difference of (thing, thing from another; also intr. with *between*), differentiate, draw distinctions; characterize, be a mark or property of; make out by listening, looking, etc., recognize; make oneself prominent (often by gallantry etc.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ABLY¹ adv. [f. L *DI*¹(stinguere stinct- extinguish prob. cogn. w. Gk *stizō* prick), with irreg. use of -ISH¹]

disting'uished (-nggwisht), a. In vbl senses; esp.: remarkable (*for* or *by* quality etc.), eminent, famous, of high standing; = *DISTINGUISH*. [-ED¹]

distōrt', v.t. Put out of shape, make crooked or unshapely, (actually or, as by curved mirror etc., apparently); misrepresent (motives, facts, statements). Hence or cogn. ~EDLY¹ adv., **distōr'tion** n., (also) lack of clearness and correctness in sounds transmitted by telephone or

wireless, **distôr'tional** (-sho-) a. [f. L *dis(torquere tort-twist)*]
distôr'tionist (-sho-), n. Caricaturist; acrobat who distorts his body. [-ist]
distract', v.t. Divert, draw away, (attention, the mind, usu. from); draw in different directions, divide or confuse the attention of, (often p.p. with *between*) bewilder, perplex; (chiefly p.p.) drive mad or infuriate (~ed with, by, at). Hence ~**edly**¹, ~**ingly**¹, advv. [f. L *dis(trahere tract-draw)*]
distrac'tion, n. Diversion of, thing that diverts, the mind; interruption; lack of concentration; amusement, relief from over-absorption; confusion, perplexity, internal conflict, dissension; frenzy, madness, (to ~, to a mad degree). [f. L *distraçtio* (prec., -ION)]
distrain', v.l. (legal). Levy a distress (upon person or his goods, or abs.), seize chattels to compel person to pay money due (esp. rent) or meet an obligation, or to obtain satisfaction by sale of the chattels. Hence ~**er**¹, ~**or**², ~**er**³, ~**ment** & (in same sense) **distrain'**, nn. [f. OF *destreindre* f. L *dis(tringere strict-squeeze)*]
distrait' (-râ), a. (fem. -ic, pr. -ât). Absent-minded, not attending. [F]
distraught' (-awt), a. (arch.). Violently agitated; crazy. [var. of obs. *distract* a. f. L *distractus* p.p. see **DISTRACT**]
distress', n. Severe pressure of pain, sorrow, etc., anguish; want of money or necessities; straits, dangerous position; exhaustion, being tired out, breathlessness; (Law)=**DISTRAINT**; ~**gun**, ~**rocket**, signals from ship in danger; ~**warrant**, authorizing distraint. Hence ~**ful** a. (the ~ful country, Ireland). [f. OF *destrece* f. LL⁺ *districcia* (**DISTRAIN**, -Y¹)]
distress', v.t. Subject to severe strain, exhaust, afflict; cause anxiety to, vex, make unhappy. Hence ~**ingly**¹ adv. [f. F *distresser* f. LL *districiare* as prec.]
distrib'utary, n. River branch that does not return to main stream after leaving it (as in a delta). [foll. +**ARY**¹]
distrib'ûte, v.t. Deal out, give share of to each of a number; spread abroad, scatter, put at different points; divide into parts, arrange, classify; (Log.) use (term) in its full extension so that it includes every individual of the class. Hence (orig. -er) ~**or**¹(1, 2) n., ~**able** a. [f. L *dis(tribuere tribut-assign)*]
distrib'ution, n. Distributing, apportionment; (Pol. Econ.) dispersal among consumers effected by commerce, also extent to which individuals or classes share in aggregate products of community; spreading abroad, dispersing, scattered situation or arrangement; division into parts, arranging, classification; (Log.)

application of term to all individuals of the class. Hence ~**al** (-sho-) a. [F, f. L *distributionem* (prec., -ION)]
distrib'ûtive, a. & n. 1. Of, concerned with, produced by, distribution; (Log., Gram.) referring to each individual of a class, not to the class collectively. 2. n. (Gram.) ~ word (as *each*, *neither*, *every*). Hence ~**ly**¹ (-vi-) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L as **DISTRIBUTE**, -IVE]
dis'trict, n., & v.t. 1. Territory marked off for special administrative || division of parish with its own church or chapel & clergyman; || urban or rural division of county with D~ Council; assigned sphere of operations; tract of country with common characteristics, region; || D~ *Railway*, serving parts of London & suburbs; || ~ *visitor*, person working under clergyman's direction in section of parish. 2. v.t. Divide into ~s. [F, f. med. L *districtus* jurisdiction f. L *district-* see **DISTRAIN**]
distrust', n. Want of trust, doubt, suspicion. Hence ~**ful** a. (of), ~**fully**¹ adv. [DIS-]
distrust', v.t. Have no confidence in, doubt, not rely on. [DIS-]
disturb', v.t. Agitate, trouble, disquiet, unsettle; perplex. [f. OF *destorber* f. L *dis(turbare t. turba crowd)*]
disturb'ance, n. Interruption of tranquillity, agitation; tumult, uproar, outbreak; (Law) molestation, interference with rights or property. [f. OF *destorbance* (prec., -ANCE)]
disûn'ion (-yon), n. Separation, want of union, dissension. So **disunite'** v.t. & i. [DIS-]
disuse'¹ (-s), n. Discontinuance, want of use or practice, desuetude. [DIS-]
disuse'² (-z), v.t. Cease to use. [DIS-]
disyll'able, **dise-**, n. Word, metrical foot, of two syllables. So ~**ab'io** a., ~**ab'ically** adv. [f. F *dissyllabe* (DI², SYLLABLE)]; ~**es** in F as sign of hard sound]
ditch, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Long narrow excavation, esp. to hold or conduct water or serve as boundary; watercourse; the D~, English Channel or North Sea (R.A.F. sl.); DI² ~ in last ~; ~**water**, stagnant in ~ (esp. dull as ~**water**). 2. vb. Make or repair ~es (esp. *hedging & ~ing*), whence ~**er**¹ (1, 2) n.; provide with ~es, drain; (sl.) leave in the lurch; (sl., of airman) make forced landing on sea, bring (aircraft) down thus; (pass., of vehicle) stick in a ~. [OE *dīc*, whence also DIKE]
dī'theism, n. Religious dualism, belief in independent principles of good & evil. [DI²]
dith'er (-dh-), v.l., & n. Tremble, quiver; vacillate. [prob. imit.]
dith'yramb (-ām), n. Greek choric hymn of wild character; Bacchanalian song;

vehement or inflated poem, speech, or writing. So *dithyram'bio* a. & n. [f. L f. Gk *dithyrambos* etym. dub.]

ditt'an'y, n. A herb, formerly of medicinal repute. [f. OF *ditan* f. L f. Gk *diktamnōn* perh. f. *Diktē* in Crete]

ditt'ō, a. & n. (abbr. d', do; pl. -os). The aforesaid, the same, (in accounts, inventories, & commerce, or colloq. talk, instead of repeating word); duplicate, similar thing, (~ *suit*, *suit of* ~s, clothes all of one material); say ~ to, agree with, endorse opinion of. [It. (now *detto*), f. L *dictus* p.p. of *dicere* say]

dittōg'raph'y, n. Copyist's mistaken repetition of letter, word, or phrase, cf. HAPLOGRAPHY. Hence *dittōgrāph'ic* a. [f. Gk *dittos* double, -GRAPHY]

ditt'y, n. Short simple song. [ME *dite* f. OF *dité* f. L *dictatum* neut. p.p. of *dictare* DICTATE²]

ditt'y-bāg, -bōx, nn. Sailor's, fisherman's, receptacle for odds & ends. [?]

diūret'ic, a. & n. (Substance) exciting discharge of urine. [f. L f. Gk *diourētikos* f. *diō*(*oureō* make water), -*ic*]

diūrn'al, a. (Astron.) occupying one day; (arch.) daily, of each day; of the day, not nocturnal. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *diurnalis* (*dies* day)]

div (dēv), n. Evil spirit in Persian mythology. [Pers., = Skr. *deva* god]

di'va (dē-), n. Great woman singer, prima donna. [It. f. L. = goddess]

div'ag'lāte, v.i. Stray, digress. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. L *di'*(*vagari* wander), -*AT*²]

div'alent, a. Combining with two atoms of hydrogen etc., having two combining equivalents. [Di-², L *valere* be worth, -*ENT*]

divān', n. Oriental council of State, esp. Turkish privy council; oriental council-chamber, court of justice; long seat against room-wall; smoking-room, cigar-shop. [Turk., f. Pers. *devan* brochure, account-book, custom-house (see DOUANE), tribunal, senate, bench]

divā'ric'lāte (or di-), v.i. Diverge, branch, (of roads, branches, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~*AT*² (-at) a. (bot., zool.). [f. L *di'*(*varicare* f. *varicus* straddling), -*AT*²]

dive, v.i., & n. 1. Plunge, esp. head foremost, into water etc.; (of aircraft) plunge steeply downwards, (of submarine) submerge; go down or out of sight suddenly; put one's hand into water, vessel, pocket; penetrate or search mentally into; *diving-bell*, open-bottomed box or bell in which person can be let down into deep water. 2. n. Plunge, header, swim under water; submerging of submarine, aircraft's steep descent; sudden dart out of sight; *drinking-den; e. basement or underground room in which some particular commodity is sold (*oyster* ~); hiding-place or sanctuary for the disreputable; ~*bomber*, aircraft specially designed to

aim bombs at target by diving towards it and release them while diving, so ~*bomb* v.t. & i. [mixture of sense of OE *ðifan* sink with form of OE *ðifan* immerse]

div'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: person who dives for pearls, to examine sunk ships, etc.; kinds of diving bird. [-*ER*¹]

divér'ge (or di-), v.i. & t. Proceed in different directions from point or each other; go aside from track; differ, deviate; make ~ge, deflect. Hence ~*GENCE*, ~*GENOY*, nn., ~*GENT* a., ~*gently*¹ adv. [f. Di-¹, L *vergere* VERGE v.]

div'ers (-z), a. (arch. or joc.). Sundry, several, more than one. [OF, f. L *di'*(*versus* p.p. of *vertere* turn)=*fol.*]

divérse (or di-), a. Unlike in nature or qualities; varied, changeful. Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-al) adv., *divérse'form* a. [as prec.]

divér'si'f'y (or di-), v.t. Make diverse, vary, modify, variegate. So ~*FICA'TION* n. [f. OF *diversifier* f. med. L *diversificare* (prec., -FY)]

divér'sion (or di-; -shn), n. Deflecting, deviation; diverting of attention, manoeuvre to secure this, feint; recreation, pleasant distraction, pastime. [f. med. L *diversio* (DIVER², -ION)]

divér'sit'y (or di-), n. Being diverse, unlikeness; different kind; variety. [f. OF *diversité* f. L *diversitatem* (DIVERS, -ITY)]

divért' (or di-), v.t. Turn aside, deflect, (stream etc., from, to, or abs.); turn elsewhere, get rid of, ward off; draw off attention of (from one thing to another), distract; entertain, amuse, whence ~*ING*² a., ~*ingly*² adv. [f. OF *divertir* f. L *di'*(*vertere* & *devertere* -*vers*- turn in different directions, turn away)]

divertissement (dévértēs'māñ), n. Short ballet etc. between the acts of a play. [F]

Div'ēs (-z), n. (Typical name for) rich man; || (Law) ~ *costs*, costs on higher scale (opp. *pauper costs*). [L. = rich, ref. to Luke xvi. 19, where Vulgate has ~]

divést' (or di-), v.t. Unclothe; strip of garment etc.; deprive, rid, of (~ *oneself* of, abandon). Hence ~*MENT*, ~*ITURE*, nn. [earlier *divest* f. OF *divestir* (DIS-, L *vestire* f. *vestis* garment)]

|| **div'i**, n. (Co-op. societies' sl.). Dividend, [abbr.]

divide¹, v.t. & i. Separate (t. & i.) into or in(to) parts, split or break up; make way through, make (way etc.) through; mark out actually or mentally in parts, fall into parts, make classification in, distinguish kinds of; sunder, part, cut off, (things, thing from); cease to disagree, set at variance, distract; distribute, deal out, (among, between); share with others; (Math.) see how often number contains another (~ 30 by 3), do DIVISION; (at number) go into (number)

without remainder; part (t. & i. of House of Parliament, meeting, etc.) into two sets in voting. [f. L. *di*¹(*vidēre* -vis- cf. *vidua* widow)]

divide², n. (U.S. etc.). Watershed. [f. prec.]

dividend, n. (Math.) number to be divided by DIVISOR; sum payable as interest on loan or as profit of joint-stock company (EX ~, OUM ~) or to creditors of insolvent estate; individual's share of it (|| ~warrant, order to pay this). [f. F *dividende* f. L. *dividendum* (DIVIDE¹, -ND¹)]

divid'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., (pl.) measuring-compasses, esp. those provided with screw for setting to small intervals. [-ER¹]

div'i-div'i, n. Curved pods of a small tropical-American tree, used in tanning; this tree. [Carib]

divid'ual, a. Separate; separable. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L. *dividuus* + -AL]

divin'ation, n. Divining, insight into or discovery of the unknown or future by supernatural means; skillful forecast, good guess. [OF, f. L. *divinationem* (DIVINE², -ATION)]

divine¹, a. (-ar, -est) & n. 1. Of, from, like, God or a god (~ right of kings, independent of their subjects' will); devoted to God, sacred, (~ service, public worship); superhumanly excellent, gifted, or beautiful; hence ~LY² (-nl) adv. 2. n. Person (usu. cleric) skilled in theology. [f. OF *divin* f. L. *divinus* cf. *divus*, *deus*, god]

divine², v.t. & i. Make out by inspiration, magic, intuition, or guessing, foresee, predict, conjecture; practise divination; ~ing-rod, see DOWSING. Hence ~ER² (s) n. [f. F *diviner* f. L. *divinare* (divinus DIVINE¹)]

divin'ity, n. Being divine, godhood; a god, godhead; the D~, God; adorable person; theology, University theological faculty; (Bookbind.) ~ calf (dark brown with blind tooling). [f. OF *divinité* f. L. *divinitatem* (DIVINE¹, -RY)]

div'inize, v.t. Deify. Hence ~'TION n. [f. F *diviniser* f. *divin* = *divin* DIVINE¹]

divis'ible (-z), a. Capable of being divided actually or in thought; (Math.) ~ by, containing (a number) some number of times without remainder. Hence divisibil'ity (-z) n. [f. L. *divisibilis* (DIVIDE¹, -IBIL)]

divi'sion (-zhn), n. 1. Dividing or being divided, severance; distribution, sharing, (~ of labour, time-saving arrangement giving different parts of manufacturing process etc. to different persons). 2. Disagreement, discord. 3. (Math.) process of dividing number by another (*long*, *short*, ~, methods usual with divisors greater, not greater, than 12). 4. (Log.) classification, enumeration of parts, distinction of meanings. 5. (Parl.) separation of

House into two sets for counting votes.

6. Dividing line, boundary; part, section.

7. Administrative etc. district, definite part, under single command, of army or fleet, esp. (Mil.) formation of an army, commanded by a Major-General, and (infantry ~) usu. consisting of three infantry brigades, with cavalry (now armoured car regiment), artillery, engineers, signals, R.A.S.C., R.A.M.C., and R.A.O.C.; *airborne*, *armoured*, *parachute*, ~. 8. (Nat. Hist.) section of kingdom, order, genus, etc. 9. || (Civil Service) *second* ~, lower grade of clerks. 10. || (Prison) 1st, 2nd, 3rd, ~, lenient, medium, severe, treatment in prison prescribed by judge. Hence ~AL (-zhn-) a., ~ALLY² adv. [OF, f. L. *divisionem* (DIVIDE¹, -ION)]

divis'or (-z), n. (math.). Number by which another (the DIVIDEND) is to be divided; number that divides another without remainder. [L. (DIVIDE¹, -OR²)]

divorce¹, n. Legal dissolution of marriage (~ *a vin'culo matrimon'ii*, i.e. from the bonds of marriage) opp. to judicial separation of married pair (~ *a men'sa et tho'ro*, i.e. from board and bed); (loosely) decree of nullity of marriage; (fig.) severance, sundering. [F, f. L. *divortium* f. *di*¹(*vertere* later *vertere* turn)]

divorce², v.t. Legally dissolve marriage between; separate (spouse) by divorce *from*; put away, repudiate, (spouse); dissolve (union); sever (things, thing *from*). Hence di- or divorce³ (also F *divorcé* masc., -*de* fem.), ~MENT (-sm-), nn. [f. F *divorcer* f. med. L. *divortiare* (prec.)]

div'ot, n. (So., north.). || A turf, sod; (Golf) piece of turf cut out in making a stroke. [?]

divul'ge (-i), v.t. Let out, reveal. Hence or cogn. divulga'tion, ~ge'MENT (-im-), ~'gence, nn. [f. L. *di*¹(*vulgare* publish f. *vulgus* people)]

Dix'ie's land, n. The U.S.A. south of Mason & Dixon's line, the former slave States. [corrupt. of *Dixon*, surveyor]

dix'y, dix'ie, n. Large iron pot in which stew, tea, etc., are made or carried on campaign. [corrupted f. Hind. *degchi* f. Pers. *degcha* (dim. of *deg* iron pot)]

diz'en (or di-), v.t. (rare). Array with finery, deck out or up, bedizen. [cf. LG *diesse* bunch of flax, & *distaff*; from 1530]

dizz'ly, a., & v.t. 1. Giddy, dazed, unsteady, tottering, confused; making giddy; (of mountain, tower, etc.) very high; (of stream, wheel, etc.) whirling rapidly; hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. 2. v.t. Make ~y, bewilder. [OE *dusig* n., *dysigan* v., cf. LG *dusen* v.]

djibba(h). See JIBBA(h).

do¹ (dō), v.t. & i. & aux. (sing. pres. 2, *doest* pr. *doō't* as t. & i., *doet* pr. *dūst* as aux.; 3, *does* pr. *dīs* & arch. *doth* pr. *dū-*, *doeth* pr. *doō'th*; past *dā*, *dīd*; p.p. *done* pr. *dūa*; *dōn't*, *dīd'n't*, are com-

mon for *do not*, *did not*; *doesn't*, & vulg. *don't*, for *does not*). 1. v.t. Put (arch.; now only in *do to death*); bestow, impart, grant, render, give, (*does him credit*, *does credit to his intelligence*; *does me good*, *harm*; *did a service to his country*; *do justice to*); perform, carry out, effect, bring to pass, (thing, work, good, right, wrong, duty, bidding, penance; *it isn't done*, is bad form), whence *do'ing*'(1) (*dō-*) n., (esp., pl.) what happens on an occasion or is done by or befalls a person, (sl.) adjuncts, things needed; (p.p. & perf.) complete, bring to an end, (*it is, I have, done*); exert, use, (*do one's endeavour*, *one's best*, & sl., *one's damned-est*); produce, make, (*have done six copies*); operate on, deal with, repair, set in order, (*does the French books for the Athenaeum*; *paper-hanger does a house*, *housemaid a room*; *do one's hair*); cook, roast, etc., to the right degree (*chop done to a turn*; *well, over, under, -done*); solve (sum, problem); translate into English etc.; work at (lesson); play the part of (*did Lear*, the *cicerone*; hence *do the polite* etc.); exhaust, tire out; (sl.) cheat (also *do in the eye*); traverse (such a distance); (colloq.) see the sights of (city, museum); (sl.) undergo (term of punishment); (with noun of action as compd vb) *do battle* etc., fight etc.; ||(sl.) provide food etc. for (*they do you very well*; *do oneself well*, make liberal provision for one's own comfort). 2. v.i. (With adv. or advl phr.) act, proceed, (*do as they do at Rome*; *would do wisely to withdraw*); perform deeds (*do or die*); make an end (*have done!*, cease; *let us have done with it*); fare, get on, (well, badly, etc.; of person or thing; *how do you do?* or *how d'ye do?*); be suitable, answer purpose, serve, suffice. 3. v. substitute: (a) replacing vb and taking its construction, as *I chose my wife as she did her gown*; (b) replacing vb & obj. etc., as *if you saw the truth as clearly as I do*; (c) as elliptical auxiliary, as *'did you see him?'* 'I did'; (d) with so, it, which, etc., as: *I wanted to see him, & I did so*; *in passing through the market, which he seldom did*; *if you want to tell him, do it now*. 4. v. aux. Used with infin. for simple pres. & past (a) when special emphasis is to be laid on a fact, as *I do so wish I could*, esp. in contrast with what has preceded, as *but I did see him*; also for imperat. in urgent petitions, as *do tell me, do but think*; or when the pronoun is inserted & emphasized, as *do you go rather*; (b) when inversion is desired, as *rarely does it happen that*; (c) the usual form in questions except with *have*, *be*, & some monosyll. vbs, as *did you recognise her?*, *do you dare?* or *dare you?*; (d) usual in not statements except with *be*, *have*, *dare*, *need*, etc.; also in not commands. 5. Phrr. etc.: a *to-do*, bustle, fuss; well-

to-do, rich enough, thriving; *have to do with*, be concerned or connected or have dealings with; *nothing doing*, going on; *done*, used in accepting offer or bet; *do-nothing*, a. & n., idle(r). 6. With prepp.: *do by*, treat, deal with, in such a way; *do for* (colloq.), || act as housekeeper etc. for, ruin, destroy, kill; *do to, unto*, = do by; *do with*, get on with, tolerate (joc., *could do with a drink*), find sufficient; *do without*, dispense with. 7. With adv.: *do away (with)*, abolish; *do in* (sl.), kill; *do up*, restore, repair, wrap up (parcel), tire out. Hence *do'ABLE* (*dō-*) a., *do'er*' (*dō-*) n. [com.-WG, OE *dōn* cf. G *tun*, f. Aryan *dhe-*, *dho-*, put, cf. Gk *tūhēmi*, L *-dere* in *condere* etc.]

do' (*dō*), n. (sl.). Swindle, imposture, hoax; || (colloq.) entertainment, jollification (*there's a big do on at No. 2*), (in pl.) share (*fair do's!* share fairly). [f. prec.]

do'³, *doh*, (*dō*), n. (mus.). Key-note of scale (*movable do*); the note C (*fixed do*). [arbitrary]

dō'⁴, abbr. of *DITTO*.

doat. See *DOTÉ*.

dōbb'in, n. Draught or farm horse. [pet-name = Robert]

Docēt'ic, a., *Docēt'ist*, *Docēt'ism*, nn. (Of, holder of the heresy that Christ's body was not human but phantasmal or of celestial substance. [med. L f. Gk *dokētai* lit. seemers (*dokēō* seem) + *-ic*, *-ist*, *-ism*])

dock-an-dō'ris (*dōx-*, see *Ap.*, *dōk-*), n. Stirrup-cup, last drink. [f. Gael. *dochan-doruis* a drink at the door]

dock'miāc (*dōk-*), a. & n. Composed of *dochmii* (*dochmīus*, — — —) ; (n., usu. pl.) line(s) so composed. [f. Gk *dokhmiakos* f. *dokhmios* adj. (*dokhmē* hand-breadth f. *dekhomai* receive)]

dō'cile, a. Teachable; submissive; easily managed. *So docil'rry* n. [F, f. L *docilis* (*docēre* teach, -IL)]

dōck'¹, n. Kinds of coarse weedy herb, popular antidote for nettle stings. [OE *docce*, cf. G *docken-blätter*]

dōck'², n. Solid fleshy part of animal's tail; crupper of saddle or harness. [= Icel. *dockr* stumpy tail, cf. G *docke* bundle, plug]

dōck'³, v.t. Out short (animal in tail, person in hair; or tail etc.); lessen, deprive of, put limits on (person, supplies); (Law) ~ *the entail*, cut it off; ~ *tailed*, with tail ~ed. [f. prec.]

dōck'⁴, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Basin with flood-gates in which ships may be loaded, unloaded, or repaired (*dry* or *graving* ~, for repairing or building, water being pumped out; *wet* ~, with water kept at high-tide level; *floating* ~, floating structure usable as dry ~); (usu. pl.) range of ~ basins with wharves and offices, *dock-yard*; *ship's berth, wharf; (Railway)

|| platform-enclosure in which line terminates; ~dues, charge for use of ~, also ~age(4) n.; ~glass (large, for wine-tasting); ~master, superintendent of ~yard or enclosure with ~s & all ship-building & repairing appliances, || esp. in connexion with Navy. 2. vb. Bring (ship), (of ship) come, into ~; furnish with ~s. [of. 16th-c. Du. *dock*]

dock¹, n. Enclosure in criminal court for prisoner; || ~brief (undertaken gratis by barrister in court selected by poor prisoner in ~). [= Fl. *dok* rabbit-hutch]

dock²er, n. Labourer in DOCK¹. [-ER¹]

dock³et, n., & v.t. || (Law) register of legal judgements (vb, enter in this); endorsement on letter or document showing its contents or subject (vb, endorse thus); || Custom-House warrant certifying payment of duty; || certificate of cotton clearing-house entitling presenter to delivery; || permit to buy controlled or scarce goods. [f. 15th c.; etym. dub.]

dock⁴ize, v.t. Make (river) into range of docks. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

dock⁵tor¹, n. (Arch.) teacher, learned man, (*D*-s of the Church, certain, esp. four Eastern & four Western, early fathers; *who shall decide when ~s disagree?*); holder of the highest university degree in any faculty (often honorary; used as prefix to surname, usu. abbr. *Dr*), esp. ~ of medicine male or female (also pop. of any medical man, M.D. or not, esp. in voc.); (Naut. sl.) ship's cook; kinds of mechanical appliance for regulating etc.; artificial fly; ~s stuff, physio. Hence or cogn. ~AL, **dock**⁶tor²IAL, ~LESS, aa., ~ATE¹, ~SHIP¹ (3), ~HOOD, **dock**⁷trass¹ (joc. etc. for usu. ~ fem.), nn. [OF f. L. (*doctre* *doct*-teach, -OR²)]

dock⁸tor³, v.t. & i. Confer degree of doctor on; treat (patient, oneself) medically; patch up (machinery etc.); adulterate, falsify; practise as physician (esp. in gerund). [f. prec.]

Docktors' Comm¹ons, n. pl. Common table, buildings (in which certain courts were held), of former College of Doctors of Civil Law in London (frequent literary allusions to probate, marriage-licence, & divorce business once transacted there). [COMMONS]

doctrinaire¹, **doctrinair**²ian, nn. & aa. 1. Pedantic theorist, person who applies principle without allowance for circumstances; hence **doctrinair**³ism(2), **doctrinair**⁴ianism(2), nn. 2. adj. Theoretic and unpractical. [-aire F (L *doctrina* DOCTRINE, -ARY¹) name of French political party 1815; -ARIAN]

dock⁵trinal (or: **dok**trin¹), a. Of, inculcating, doctrine(s). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. LL. *doctrinālis* (fol., -AL)]

dock⁶trine, n. What is taught, body of instruction; religious, political, scientific, etc., belief, dogma, or tenet (*Monroe ~s*,

U.S. policy foreshadowed by President Monroe 1823 discountenancing European State interference in America). Hence ~ISM(1), ~IST(1), nn., ~IZE(2) v.i. [F, f. L *doctrina* (DOCTOR¹, -INE²)]

dock⁷ument, n., & v.t. 1. Thing, esp. deed, writing, or inscription, that furnishes evidence (*human ~*, description, incident, etc., illustrating human nature); hence **dock**⁸umēn¹tary¹ a., (also n., film dealing with a natural history, archaeological, industrial, travel, or similar subject, usu. accompanied by an explanatory talk). 2. v.t. Prove by, provide with, ~s or evidence; so **dock**⁹umēn²tation n. [OF, f. L *documentum* (*docere* teach, -MENT)]

dodd¹er¹, n. Kinds of slender leafless threadlike parasitic plant. [ME *doder* cf. G *dottler*]

dodd²er², v.i. Tremble, nod, with frailty, palsy, etc. (~grass, Quaking-grass), totter, totter, be feeble. Hence ~ER¹ n., infirm, feeble, or inept person. [?]

dodd³ered (-erd), a. Having lost the top or branches (of oaks & other trees). [prob. f. frequent. of obs. vb *dod* poll, lop]

dōdec(a)-, pref. =twelve-, as *dōdec*-agon, plane figure of twelve sides, *dōdec*ahēd¹ron, solid figure of twelve faces, *dōdec*asyl¹able, verse of twelve syllables. [f. GK *dōdeka* twelve]

dodge¹, v.i. & t. 1. v.i. Move to & fro, change position, shuffle; move quickly round, about or behind, obstacle so as to elude pursuer, blow, etc.; play fast & loose, quibble, prevaricate; (of bell in chime) sound one place out of the normal order. 2. v.t. Baffle by finesse, trifle with; elude (pursuer, opponent, blow) by sideward deviation etc.; move (thing) to & fro; ask (person) questions in unexpected order. [?]

dodge², n. Piece of dodging, quick sidemovement; trick, artifice; (colloq.) clever expedient, mechanical etc. contrivance; sounding of bell out of normal place in chimes. Hence **dōdg**¹r¹ a. [f. prec.]

dōdg²er, n. In vbl senses; esp., artful or elusive person; (colloq.) screen on ship's bridge as protection from spray etc.; *small handbill; *Indian-meal cake (*corn* ~). [-ER¹]

dōd³ō, n. (pl. -oes, -oe). Large extinct bird of Mauritius. [f. Port. *doudo* simpleton]

dōe (dō), n. Female of fallow deer (cf. *BUCK*¹), hare, or rabbit; ~skin (-ōs-), skin of ~, leather of this, fine cloth resembling it. [OE *dd* perh. f. L *dama* deer]

does, **doest**. See *DO*¹.

dōff, v.t. Take off (hat, clothing); (rarely) abandon, discard, (custom, condition). [= *dō* off]

dōg¹, n. 1. Quadruped of many breeds wild & domesticated; hunting-dog (fig., ~s of war, havoc, rapine); male of ~, wolf (also ~wolf¹, (fem. ~bitch), or fox (also ~fox). 2. Worthless or surly person; fellow

(*ely, lucky, jolly*, ~; SNA~). 3. (Astron.) Greater or Lesser Dog, constellations, also Sirius or Procyon, chief star in either (also ~*star*, usu. Sirius; ~*days*, hottest part of year in July & Aug., variously dated according to heliacal & cosmical rising of Sirius). 4. Kinds of mechanical device for gripping etc.; short iron bar with upturned spike at each end in common use for joining heavy timbering; (pl., also *fire~s*) pair of metal supports for burning wood, or for grate, or for fire-irons. 5. (Also *sea~*) light near horizon portending storm; *sun~*, parheliion. 6. Phrr.; *go to the ~s*, be ruined; *throw to the ~s*, throw away, sacrifice; *not have word¹ to throw at ~*; *every ~ has his day*; *love me, love my ~*, accept my friends as yours; *rain cats & ~s*; *die like a ~*, a ~'s death, miserably, shamefully; *not a ~'s chance*, not even the least chance; *take hair of ~ that bit you*, drink more to cure effects of drink; *help lame ~ over stile*, be friend in need; *lead, lead one, a ~'s life*, be worried, worry another; *give ~ ill name & hang him*, of power of nickname or slander; *let sleeping ~s lie*, let well alone; *put on ~* (colloq.), assume airs of importance; || *the ~s* (colloq.), greyhound race-meeting; ~ *in the manger*, one who prevents others' enjoying what is useless to him; ~ *in a blanket*, rolled currant dumpling or jam pudding. 7. ~*berry*, fruit of ~wood or wild cornel; ~*biscuit*, for feeding ~s; || ~*box*, railway van for ~s; ~*cart*, two-wheeled driving-cart with cross seats back to back; ~*cheap*, very; ~*collar*, lit., & fig. of person's straight high collar; ~*facéd*, epithet of kind of baboon; ~*fall*, in which wrestlers touch ground together; ~*fennel*, Stinking Camomile; ~*fight*, a fight (as) between ~s, (colloq.) a fight between aircraft; ~*flesh*, kinds of small shark & other fish; ~*(s)-grass*, Couch-grass; ~*hole*, ~*hutch*, mean room; ~ *latin*, incorrect, mongrel; ~*lead*, string etc. for leading ~; ~*legged* staircase, going back & forward without well-hole; ~*rose*, wild hedge rose; ~*(s)-ear* n. & v.t., corner of page turned down with use, fill (book) with these; ~*shore*, wooden prop supporting ship's weight during building and cut away before launching; ~*skin*, leather of or imitating ~'s skin used for gloves; ~*sleep*, light & fitful; ~*'s letter*, r (f. snarling sound); ~*'s-meal*, horseflesh, offal; ~*'s-nose*, mixed drink of beer & gin; ~*(s)-tail*, kind of grass; ~*'s-tongue*, plants of borage kind; ~*'s-tooth*, plant with speckled leaves & flowers; ~*tired*, tired out; ~*tooth*, small pyramidal ornament esp. in Norman & Early English architecture; ~*violet*, scentless kind; ~*watch* (Naut.), short half watch of two hours (4-6, 6-8, p.m.); ~*whip*, for keeping ~s in order. Hence ~*g'ize¹*, ~*ize*,

~*like*, aa., ~*g'y¹* or ~*g'le* (-g-) f-T¹, ~*hood*, nn. [OF *dogga* etym. dub.]

dōg¹, v.t. (-gg-). Follow closely, pursue, track, (person, his *steps*; of person or calamity etc.); (Mech.) grip with dog. [f. prec.]

dōg'āte, n. Office of doge. [f. F *dogat* f. It. *dogato* (foll., -ate¹)]

dōge (-j), n. (hist.). Chief magistrate of Venice, Genoa. [F f. It., f. L *ducem* nom. *dux* leader]

dōgg'ed (-g-), a. Obstinate, tenacious, persistent, unyielding, (*it's ~ does it*, persistency succeeds). Hence ~*LY¹* adv., ~*NESS* n. [-ED¹]

dōgg'er (-g-), n. Two-masted bluff-bowed Dutch fishing-boat. [f. 14th c. etym. dub.]

dōgg'erel (-ge-), a. & n. Trivial, mean, halting, or irregular, (verse). [?]

dōgg'o, adv. (sl.). Lie ~ (motionless, making no sign). [dog]

dōgg'y¹ (-g-), a. (for *doggy¹* see DOG¹). Of dogs; devoted to dogs. Hence ~*INESS* n. [-Y¹]

dōg'ma, n. (pl. ~s, rarely ~ta). Principle, tenet, doctrinal system, esp. as laid down by authority of Church; arrogant declaration of opinion. [L f. Gk (gen. -atos), f. *dokel* seem, -e]

dōgmāt'ic (rarely ~ical), a. Of dogma(s), doctrinal; based on *a priori* principles, not on induction; (of person, book, etc.) authoritative, laying down the law, arrogant. Hence ~*IOS* n., ~*ICALLY* adv. [f. L f. Gk *dogmatikos* (prec., -io)]

dōg'matize, v.i. & t. Deal in positive unsupported assertions, speak authoritatively; express (principle etc.) as a dogma. So ~*ISM*(1), ~*IST* (1), nn. [f. F *dogmatiser* f. L f. Gk *dogmatiseō* (DOGMA, -ize)]

Dōg'ra, n. Member of a warlike Hindu race of N.-West India (many of whom enlisted in the Indian Army).

doh. See DO¹.

dōil'y, n. Small napkin placed below finger-glass etc. [fabric named from 17th-c. inventor]

dō'ing (dōō-). See DO¹.

doit, n. Very small sum or coin; merest trifle (esp. *don't care a ~*). [f. Du. *duit* etym. dub.]

|| **doit'éd**, a. (Sc.). Crazed, esp. with age. [?]

dōi'ce fāi niēn'té (-chā), n. Pleasant idleness. [It., = sweet doing nothing]

dōl'drums (-s), n. pl. Dullness, dumps, depression; (of ship, usu. *in the ~*) becalmed state; region of calms & light baffling winds near equator. [prob. formed on *dull*, cf. *tantrum*; the geog. sense prob. due to mistake]

dōle¹, n., & v.t. 1. (Arch.) lot, destiny, (*happy man be his ~*, may he be happy). 2. Charitable distribution; charitable (esp. sparing, niggardly) gift of food,

clothes, or money; || *the* ~ (colloq.), relief claimable by the unemployed. 3. v.t. Deal out sparingly, esp. as alms. [OE *dāl* cogn. w. *dāl* DEAL¹]

dōle¹, n. (poet.). Grief, woe; lamentation. [revived obs. wd, f. OF *doel* (now *deuil* mourning) f. LL *dolium* grief cf. L *dolor*]

dōle'ful (-if-), a. Dreary, dismal; sad, disaffected, melancholy. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [prec., -FUL]

dōl'erite, n. Coarse basaltic rock much used as road-metal. [F (-é-), f. Gk *doleros* deceptive (because easily confused with true greenstone)]

dōl'ichocéphāl'ic (-ko-), a. Long-headed (of skull with breadth less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of length; or of person or race with such skull). [f. Gk *dolikhos* long + CEFHALIC]

dōll, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Toy baby, puppet; (~'s house, miniature toy house for ~s, diminutive dwelling-house); pretty silly woman (so ~'s face). Hence ~ISH¹ a., ~'ishly¹ adv., ~'ishNESS n. 2. v.t. & i. (colloq.). Dress up smartly, dock up. [short for *Dorothy*]

dōll'ar, n. (Orig.) English name for German thaler, also for Spanish piece of eight; unit of U.S. gold & silver coinage = 100 cents, about 4s. 1½d. (symbol or ~ sign, \$; the *almighty* ~, money, mammon); corresponding coin in Canada, etc.; || (sl.) five-shilling piece, crown; half a ~ (sl.), half a crown; ~ *diplomacy* (that seeks to further the commercial and financial interests of a country abroad and to extend its influence in international relations by means of these interests). [earlier & Du. *daler* = G *taler*, f. *Joachimstaler* gulden from silver mine of the *Joachims(tal valley)*]

dōll'op, n. (colloq.). Clumsy or shapeless lump of food etc. [?]

dōll'y, n. (Pet-name, esp. in voc., for) doll; kinds of appliance in clothes-washing, ore-washing, pile-driving, iron-punching, polishing, etc.; ~-shop, marine store. [-Y¹]

Dōll'y Vard'en, n. Kinds of woman's hat & dress. [character in *Barnaby Rudge*]

dōl'man, n. Long Turkish robe open in front; hussar's jacket worn with sleeves hanging loose; woman's mantle with flaps for sleeves. [ult. f. Turk. *dolaman*]

dōl'men, n. Cromlech. [F, perh. f. Cornish (*doll* hole, *men* stone)]

dōl'omite, n. Kind of rock (double carbonate of lime & magnesia); *The D~s*, mountains of this, esp. those in Tyrol. Hence *dōlomit'ic* a. [*Dolomieu*, French geologist 1794, -ITE¹]

dōl'orous, a. (usu. poet. or joc.). Distressing, painful; dismal, doleful; distressed. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [OF, f. LL *dolorosus* (DOLOUR, -OUS)]

dōl'see, a. (legal). Having criminal intent; *intentionally deceitful. [f. L *dolus* (dōlus guile, -OSE¹)]

dōl'our (-ler), n. (poet.). Sorrow, distress. [OF, f. L *dolorem* nom. -or]

dōl'phin, n. Cetaceous mammal resembling porpoise, but with beak-like snout; (pop.) the fish dorado, which changes to many colours in dying; curved fish in heraldry, sculpture, etc.; bollard or mooring-post or buoy. [earlier *dēlphin* f. L *delphinus* f. Gk *delphis* -inos]

dōlt, n. Dull fellow, blockhead. Hence ~'ish¹ a., ~'ishNESS n. [perh. = *dulled*]

Dōm, title prefixed to names of R.-C. dignitaries, and Benedictine & Carthusian monks, and in Portugal & Bra to Christian names of persons of the royal family, cardinals, bishops, etc. [abbr. of L *dominus* lord]

-dom, suf. forming nouns expressing rank, condition, domain, f. nn. or adj. (*earldom*, *freedom*, *kingdom*), & (f. nouns) used collectively for the pl. or = the ways of (*officialdom*). [OE *dōm* cf. G *-tum* (st. of DO¹, -m as in *seam*)]

domain', n. Estate, lands, dominions; district under rule, realm, sphere of influence; scope, field, province, of thought or action; (Internat. & U.S. law) *Eminent D~*, lordship of sovereign power over all property in State, with right of expropriation. So *domā'n'ial* a. [f. F *domaine* f. L *dominium* neut. adj. (*dominus* lord, -o)]

dōme, n., & v.t. 1. Stately building, mansion, (poet.); rounded vault as roof, with circular, elliptical, or polygonal base, cupola; natural vault, canopy, (of sky, trees, etc.); rounded summit of hill etc.; hence *dōmē's* (-md), *dōm'ic(al)*, ~'like (-ml-), *dōm'y's*, aa. 2. v.t. Cover with, shape as, ~. [F, f. *duomo* cathedral, dome, (& direct) f. L *domus* house]

Domes'day (Bōōk) (dōōmz-), n. Record of Will. 1's Great Inquisition of lands of England made 1086. [ME, = DOOM'sday, pop. name given to the book as final authority]

domēs'tic, a. & n. 1. Of the home, household, or family affairs; of one's own country, not foreign; native, home-made; (of animals) tame, kept by or living with man; home-keeping, fond of home; hence ~cally adv. 2. n. Household servant. [f. F *domestique* f. L *domesticus* (*domus* home)]

domēs'tic'ate, v.t. Naturalize (colonists, animals); make fond of home (esp. in p.p.); bring (animals) under human control, tame; civilize (savages). So ~ABLE a., ~ATION n. [f. med. L *domesticare* (prec., -ATE¹)]

dōmēsti'citi'y (or dō-), n. Domestic character; home life or privacy; homeliness; the ~ies, domestic affairs; domesticated state. [-ITY]

dōm'ett, n. Fabric of wool & cotton used for shrouds etc. [?]

dōm'icile (or -il), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Dwelling-place, home; (Law) place of permanent residence, fact of residing; place at which bill of exchange is made payable (v.t., make payable at a place). 2. vb. (Also **dōmicil'iate**) establish, settle (t. & i.), in a place; so **dōmicilia'tion** n. [F, f. L *domiciliūm* f. *domus* home]

dōmicil'iarý (-lyar-), a. Of a dwelling-place (~ *visit*, of officials to search or inspect private house). [as prec., -ARY¹]

dōm'inant, a. & n. 1. Ruling, prevailing, most influential; (of heights) outstanding, overlooking others. 2. (Mus.) fifth note of scale of any key (adj., of this, as ~ *chord*, *seventh*, etc.); reciting note in eccles. modes, usu. fifth from final. 3. (Mendelsism) main characteristic appearing in the first generation of hybrids inherited from one only of the parents (adj., of this). Hence **dōm'inance** n., ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *dominari* see foll., -ANT]

dōm'ināte, v.t. & i. Have commanding influence over (also intr. with *over*); be the most influential or conspicuous (of person, power, sound, feature of scene); (of heights) overlook, hold commanding position over. [f. L *dominari* (*dominus* lord), -ATE²]

dōminā'tion, n. Ascendancy, sway, control; (pl.) angelic powers of fourth rank (see *ORDER*¹ 1). [F, f. L *dominationem* (prec., -ATION)]

dōmineer', v.i. Act imperiously, tyrannize, be overbearing. Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. Du. (-neren) f. F *dominer* DOMINATE]

dōmin'ical, a. Of the Lord (Christ; ~ *year*, date A.D.); of the Lord's day, Sunday-, (~ *letter*, the one of the seven A-G denoting Sundays in any year). [f. med. L *dominicalis* f. L *dominicus* (*dominus* lord, -IC) + -AL]

Domin'ican, a. & n. 1. Of St Dominic or his order of preaching friars. 2. n. Black or ~ friar. [f. ecol. L *Dominicanus* f. *Dominicus* L name of *Domingo* de Guzman + -AN]

|| **dōm'inie**, n. (Sc.). Schoolmaster. [= *domine* sir voc. of L *dominus* lord]

dōmin'ion (-yon), n. Lordship, sovereignty, control; domains of feudal lord, territory of sovereign or government (*D~ of Canada*, name given to Canadian colonies settled 1867; *D~ of New Zealand*, title given 1907); (Law) right of possession. [OF, f. LL *dominionem* nom. -o f. L *dominium* (*dominus* lord)]

dōm'inō, n. (pl. ~es). 1. Loose cloak with half-mask worn to conceal identity esp. at masquerade, whence ~ED¹ (-ōd) a.; person wearing this ~. 2. One of 28 small brick-shaped pieces marked with pips used in game of ~es. [F, prob. f. L *dominus* lord, but unexplained]

dōn', n. 1. Spanish title prefixed to Christian name (*Don Juan*, *rake*, *liber-*

tine; *Don QUIXOTE*); Spanish gentleman, Spaniard. 2. Distinguished person; adept at something. 3. Head, fellow, or tutor, of college, whence ~n'ish¹ a., ~n'ishness n. [Sp., f. L *dominus* lord]

dōn', v.t. (-nn-). Put on (garment). [-do on]

dōn'a(h), n. (sl.). Woman; sweetheart. [f. Sp. *doña* or Port. *dona* f. L *domina* lady]

dōnā'tion, n. Bestowal, presenting; thing presented, gift, (esp. of money given to institution), whence ***dōnāte** v.t., present. [F, f. L *donationem* (*donare* give, -ATION)]

dōn'ative (or *dō-*), a. & n. (Benefice) given directly, not involving presentation to or investment by the Ordinary; gift, present, esp. official largess. [f. L *donativus* adj. (*donare* give, -IVE)]

dōn'atory, n. Recipient of donation. [f. med. L *donatorius* (*donare* give, -ORY)]

done (dūn), p.p. of *DO*¹. ~ *brown*, *duped*, *swindled*; ~ *up*, *tired*.

dōnee', n. Recipient of gift. [as *DONOR*, -EE]

|| **dōn'ga** (-ngge), n. Gully, ravine. [S.-Afr.]

dōn'jōn (also *dū-*), n. Great tower of castle, keep. [arch. spelling of DUNGEON]

dōnk'ey, n. (pl. ~s). (Usual word for) ass; stupid person; ~engine, hauling or hoisting steam-engine on ship's deck; ~s' *years* (sl.), a very long time. [perh. f. DUN¹ with double dim. ending]

dōnn'a, n. Italian or Spanish or Portuguese lady. [It., f. L *domina* mistress]

Dōnn'ybrook (Fair), n. Scene of uproar, free fight. [*Donnybrook* in Ireland]

dōn'or, n. Giver (esp. of blood for transfusion). [f. OF *doneur* f. L *donatorem* (*donare* give, -OR²)]

dōn't¹, See *DO*¹.

dōn't², n. (joc.). Prohibition. [use of prec.]

dōō'dle, v.i., & n. (Make) an aimless scrawl while one's attention is engaged elsewhere; ~bug, * (larva of) tiger beetle, *unscientific device for locating minerals, || flying-bomb (colloq.). [?]

dōō'lie, -ý, n. Simple form of Indian litter used as army ambulance. [f. Hind. *doli* (Skr. *dul-* to swing)]

dōōm¹, n. (Hist.) Statute, law, decree; (arch.) decision, sentence, condemnation; fate, destiny, (usu. evil); ruin, death; the Last Judgement (now only in *crack*, *day*, of ~, & in ~s' *day*; till ~s' *day*, for ever; cf. DOWNSDAY). [com.-Teut.; OE *dōm* f. OTeut. (*dōn* *DO*¹)]

dōōm², v.t. Pronounce sentence against, condemn to some fate, to do; consign to misfortune or destruction (esp. in p.p.); (arch.) decree (~ed *his death*). [f. prec.]

door (dōt), n. 1. Hinged or sliding barrier usu. of wood or metal for closing entrance

to building, room, safe, etc. (*front* ~, chief ~ from house to street etc.; *lives* etc. *next* ~, in next house or room; so *three* ~s off etc.; *next* ~ to fig., nearly, almost, near to; so at *death*'s ~). 2. Entrance, access, exit, (*show* one *the* ~, expel him; *open* a ~ to, *close* the ~ upon, make possible, impossible). 3. *Out* of ~s, abroad, in the open air; *within* ~s, in the house; *lay*, *lie*, at the ~ of, impute, be imputable, to; DARKEN ~. 4. ~bell, inside bell worked by handle outside ~; || ~case, ~frame, structure in which ~ is fitted; || ~keeper, porter; ~mat, for rubbing off mud from boots; ~money, taken at ~ of place of entertainment; ~nail, with which ~s used to be studded (*dead*, *deaf*, etc., as a ~nail); ~plate, usu. of brass bearing occupant's name; ~posts, uprights of ~case; ~step, leading up to usu. outer ~; ~stone, slab in front of ~; ~way, opening filled by ~. Hence (-) ~ED² (-ōd), ~LESS (-ōl-), aa. [OE *durū* cf. G *tür*, also Gk *thura*, L *fores*]

dōp, n. Cheap S.-Afr. brandy; a dram of liquor. [Du. = shell, husk]

dōpe, n., & v.t. 1. Thick liquid used as food or lubricant; kinds of varnish esp. in aeroplane manufacture; narcotic, stupefying drink; *(sl.) information about a racehorse's past performances or form, information of use to journalists etc. 2. v.t. Administer ~ to, drug. [f. Du. *doop* sauce (*doopen* to dip)]

doppel-gänger. See DOUBLE-ganger.

dōpp'er, n. (Derog. for) member of the Gereformeerde Kerk of S. Afr., in communion with the Christian Reformed Church of Holland. [f. Du. *dopper* extinguisher, (fig.) stupid person]

dōr, n. Insect flying with loud humming noise; black dung-beetle, cockchafer, rose-beetle, etc. [OE *dora* etym. dub.]

|| **Dōr'a**, n. See DEFENCE.

dora'dō (-ah-), n. (pl. ~s). Splendidly coloured sea-fish, dolphin. [Sp., f. L *auratus* gilt f. *aurum* gold, -ATE³]

Dōr'as, n. Meeting of ladies to make clothes for the poor. [Acts ix, 36]

Dōrian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Doris, district of ancient Greece; (member) of one of three divisions (*Aeolian*, *Ionian*, ~) of ancient Greeks (~ *mode*: ancient Greek *mode*, reputedly simple & solemn in character; first of eccles. modes, with D as final & A as dominant). [f. L f. Gk *Dōrios* (*Dōris* as above) + -AN]

Dō'ric, a. & n. 1. = prec. adj.; ~ ORDER (also ~ as n.); (of dialect) broad, rustic. 2. n. Dialect of ancient Greece (cf. *Attic*, *ionic*, *Aeolic*), rustic English or esp. Scots. [f. L f. Gk *Dōrikos* (prec., -IC)]

Dōr'ing, a. & n. (Fowl) of the ~ breed. [f. *th. Currey*]

dōrm'ant, a. Lying inactive as in sleep of some animals through winter, undeveloped buds, potential faculties;

(Her., of beast) with head on paws; not acting, in abeyance, (often *lie* ~; ~ *warrant* etc., drawn in blank; ~ *partner*, sleeping). Hence **dōrm'ancy** n. [OF (*dormir* f. L *dormire* sleep, -ANT)]

dōrm'er, n. (Also ~window) projecting upright window in sloping roof. [f. OF *dormeor* f. L *dormitorium* (prec., -ORY)]

dōrmeuse' (-ēz), n. Travelling-carriage for sleeping in; kind of couch. [F. fem. of *dormeur* sleeper (DORMANT, -OR²)]

dōrm'itory, n. Sleeping-room with several beds & sometimes cubicles; suburban or country district of city people's residences. [f. L (DORMER)]

dōrm'ouse, n. (pl. ~mice). Small hibernating rodent between mouse and squirrel. [perh. f. st. of F *dormir* (DORMANT) + MOUSE]

dōrm'y, a. (golf). (Of player or side) as many holes ahead as there are holes to play (~ *one*, *five*, etc.). [V]

dō'rothy bāg, n. Lady's open-topped handbag slung by loops from wrist, [fem. name]

Dō'rothy Pērk'ins (-z), n. Climbing rose bearing clusters of double pink flowers. [personal name]

dōrp, n. (S. Africa). Village, small township. [Du.; cf. THORP]

dōrs'al, a. (Anat., Zool., Bot.) of, on, near, the back; ridge-shaped. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *dorsalis* (foll., -AL)]

dōrs(o)-, comb. form = back-&, as in *dorsabdom'inal* of back & belly, *dorsol'ateral* of back & sides. [L *dorsum* back, -O-]

dōrt'our (-ter, -ter, n. (hist.) Bedroom, dormitory, esp. in monastery. [OF (-our), as DORMER]

dōr'y¹, n. (Also *John D*~) sea-fish used as food. [f. F *dorée* fem. p.p. of *dorer* gild, as DORAD]

dōr'y², n. Flat-bottomed skiff, esp. fishing-vessel's boat in U.S. [V]

dōs'age, n. Giving of medicine in doses; size of dose. [-AGE]

dōse, n., & v.t. 1. Amount of medicine to be taken at once (also fig. of flattery, punishment, etc.). 2. v.t. Give physic to (person), adulterate, blend, (esp. wine with spirit). [vb f. noun, F. f. med. L f. Gk *dosis* (*didōmi* give)]

|| **dōss**, n., & v.i., (sl.). Bed in ~house or common lodging-house; (v.i.) sleep in this; hence ~ER¹ n. [perh. f. F *dos* f. L *dorsum* back]

dōss'al, n. Hanging behind altar or round chancel. [f. med. L *dossale* (L *dorsum* back, -AL)]

dōss'ier (-syā, -sier), n. Set of documents, esp. record of person's antecedents. [F, = bundle of papers (as *Doss*, from bulging shape)]

dost. See DO¹.

dōt¹, n. Small spot, speck, roundish pen-mark; (Orthogr.) period, point over & or

j, point used as diacritical mark; (Mus. writing) point used with various meanings; small child, tiny object; ~&-dash, using ~s & dashes, as in Morse code; ~wheel, used for making dotted line; || off one's ~ (sl.), half-witted, (temporarily) crazy. [OE *dott* head of boil cf. OHG *tutto* nipple]

dōt¹, v.t. (-tt-). Mark with dot(s); place dot over (letter i; ~ the *is* & cross the *ts*, fill in details, make meaning quite clear); (Mus.) ~ted crotchet etc., with time value increased by half; diversify as with dots (*sea ~ted with ships*); scatter (*about, all over*) like dots; || (sl.) hit (~ted him one in the eye); ~ & carry (one), child's formula for remembering to carry in addition sum; ~ & go one, n., a., & adv., limp, limping(ly). [f. prec.]

dōt², n. Woman's marriage portion. [F]

dōt³ard, n. One in his dotage. [foll., -ARD]

dōte, doat, v.i. Be silly, deranged, infatuated, or feeble-minded, esp. from age, whence **dōt**⁴AGE(2) n.; concentrate one's affections, show excessive fondness, (up)on. Hence **dōt**⁵ingly¹ adv. [cf. MDu. *doten*, OF *redoter*]

doth. See **do**¹.

dōtt(e)rel, n. Kind of plover. [DOTE + REL, named from the ease with which it is caught]

dōttle, -tel, n. Plug of tobacco left unsmoked in pipe. [DOR¹, -LE]

dōtt⁷y, a. Dotted about, sporadic, marked with dots; (colloq.) shaky of gait (~ on his legs), feeble-minded, half idiotic. [DOR¹ + -Y²]

Dou'ai, -ay, (dōw'ā, dow'ā), n. ~ version, Bible, English translation of the Bible used in the R.C. Church. The Old Testament was completed at ~ in France early in the 17th c.

dou'ane (dōw'āhn), n. Foreign custom-house. [F, f. Arab. *dīwan* DIVAN]

dou'ble¹ (dū-), a. & adv. 1. adj. Consisting of two members, things, layers, etc., forming a pair, twofold (~ chin, with roll of fat below chin proper); folded, bent, stooping much; with some part ~ (~ axe, with two edges, ~ eagle, with two heads); (of flowers) with petals multiplied by conversion of stamens etc.; having twofold relation, dual, ambiguous (~ meaning = DOUBLE ENTENDERE); twice as much or many (of, or, with prep. omitted, seeming to govern following wd); of twofold or extra size, strength, value, etc. (~ ale, ~ florin); (Mus.) lower in pitch by an octave (~ bassoon etc.); (Mil.) ~ time (also formerly, & still in general use, ~-quick time), regulation running pace; deceitful, hypocritical; ~ ENTRY: || ~ first, (person who has taken) first-class University honours in two subjects; ~ star, two stars so close as to seem one, esp. when forming connected pair; work ~ time; hence ~-fess (-in-)

n., **doub**'ly¹ adv. 2. adv. To twice the amount etc. (~ as bright; see ~, two things when there is only one, esp. of drunken man); two together (*ride ~, two on horse*); *sleep ~, two in bed*.

3. ~, a. or adv., is freely used in new or obvious compounds, as well as in the following: ~-acting, in two ways, directions, etc., v.p. of engine in which steam acts on both sides of piston; ~-barrel, = ~-barrelled, or ~-barrelled gun; ~-barrelled, with two barrels (also fig. = ambiguous, of compliment etc.; & of compound surname); ~-bass, lowest-pitched stringed instrument; ~-bedded, with two beds or ~ bed; ~-bitt v.t. (Naut.), pass (cable) twice round bits or round two pairs of bits; ~-breasted of coat or waistcoat, made to button on either side; *~-cross' (sl.), (v.t.) cheat (each of two parties, usu. by pretended collusion with both), (n.) act of this nature; hence ~-cross'er; ~-dealer, -king n. & a., deceiver, deceit(ful); ~-dyled usu. fig., deeply stained with guilt (~-dyled scoundrel); ~-edged, with two cutting edges, (of argument, sarcasm, etc.) telling against as well as for one; ~-faced, insincere; ~-gänger (-ng-), wrath [f. G *doppel-gänger* double-goor]; ~ harness (fig.), matrimony; ~-leaded (-lād-), of printed matter with wide spaces between lines to draw attention; ~-lock v.t., turn key of (some locks) twice; ~-quick (see ~ time above); also adv., very quickly; ~-reef v.t. (Naut.), contract spread of (sail) by two reefs; ~-refine, refine twice over. [OF, f. L *duplus* (duo two, -plus f. ple- fill)]

dou'ble² (dū-), n. Double quantity, twice as much or many (~ or quite, game, throw, toss, deciding whether person shall pay twice his loss or debt or nothing); counterpart of thing or person; wrath; (Mil.) *at the ~*, running; score (short whist) of five to less than three, (long whist) of ten to nothing, (stake being doubled); (Lawn-tennis etc.) game between two pairs; Guernsey copper coin, *id.*; sharp turn of hunted animal, or of river. [f. prec. & foll.] **dou**'ble³ (dū-), v.t. & i. 1. Make double, increase twofold, multiply by two; amount to twice as much as; (Mus.) add same note in higher or lower octave to; (of actor) ~ *part(s)*, play two in same piece. 2. (Mil.) move in double time, run. 3. Put (passenger etc.) in same quarters with another (also ~ up). 4. Bend, turn, (paper, cloth) over upon itself (often up). 5. ~ up, bend one's body into stooping or curled-up position, cause (another) to do this by blow, (of paper, leaf, etc.) become folded. 6. Clench (fist). 7. (Billiards) rebound, make to rebound. 8. (Naut.) get round (headland). 9. Turn sharply in flight, pursue tortuous course. [f. OF *doublet* 1. L *duplare* (duplus double*)]

double entendre (see Ap.), n. Ambiguous expression, phrase with two meanings, one usu. indecent; use of such phrases. [from 1873; obs. F (now *double entente*, which is often needlessly substituted in E for the established ~)]

doub'lét (dü-), n. 1. (Hist.) close-fitting body-garment worn by men with or without sleeves & short skirts (~ & *hose*, masculine attire, also light attire without cloak). 2. One of a pair, esp. one of two words of same derivation but different sense (*fashion & faction*). 3. pl. Same number on two dice thrown at once. 4. Two birds killed with double-barrel. 5. (Microscope etc.) combination of two simple lenses. [F (DOUBLE¹, -ET)]

doub'leton (dü'hilton), n. Two cards only of a suit (dealt to a player). [f. DOUBLE¹, after *singleton*]

doubléon (du-), n. Spanish gold coin, double pistole (orig. 33-36s., later slightly over £1). [f. F *doublon* or Sp. *doblon* (DOUBLIN¹, -OUN)]

doublure (düb'lür'), n. Ornamental usu. leather lining inside book-cover. [F]

doubt (dowt), n. Feeling of uncertainty (*about*), undecided frame of mind, inclination to disbelieve (*of, about; have no ~ that . . .*), hesitation; uncertain state of things, want of full proof (*give one the benefit of the ~, assume his innocence rather than guilt*) or of clear signs of the future; *make no ~, feel sure; no ~, certainly, admittedly; without ~, certainly*. [f. OF *doute* f. *douder* DOUBT¹]

doubt (dowt), v.i. & t. Feel uncertain (*about*); waver; be undecided about or *about*, hesitate to believe or trust, call in question, (person, fact expressed by noun or by clause with *whether, if, or, in negative or interrog. sentences, that, but, but that; I ~ whether, I don't ~ that, can you ~ that, he will win*); have doubts of (esp. w. neg., as *never ~ed of success*); || (arch. & dial.) be afraid, rather think, suspect, that (*I ~ we are late*). [f. OF *douter* f. *L dubitare* (dubius DUBIOUS); -b- inserted f. the L as correction]

doubt'ful (-owt-), a. Of uncertain meaning, character, truth, or issue, undecided, ambiguous, questionable, (~ *syllable, letter, that can be either long or short*); unsettled in opinion, uncertain, hesitating. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

doubt'less (-owt-), adv. Certainly, no doubt, I admit, (usu. concess., cf. UNDOUBTEDLY). [-LESS]

|| **douce** (doos), a. (Sc.). Sober, gentle, sedate. [ME, f. OF *doux* fem. *douce* f. *L dulcis* sweet]

douceur (see Ap.), n. Gratuity; bribe. [F]

douche (doosh), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Jet of water applied to body externally or internally as form of bathing or for medicinal purpose. 2. vb. Administer ~

to, take ~. [F, f. It. *doccia* pipe ult. f. *L ductus* conduit (*ducere* lead)]

dough (dō), n. Kneaded flour, bread-paste; *pasty mass*; (sl.) money; ~*boy*, boiled dumpling, (sl.) U.S. infantryman; ~*nut*, cake of ~ sweetened & boiled in fat. Hence ~Y¹ (dō'Y) a., ~INESS (dō'Y-) n. [com.-Teut.; OE *dāh* cf. G *teig*, also Skr. *dih*-besmeared, *L flū*-shape, Gk *teikhos* wall]

dought [y] (dowt-), a. (arch. or loc.). Valiant, stout, formidable. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [OE *dohtig* var. of *dyhtig* (cf. *dugan* be strong, & G *tüchtig*)]

Dou'khobors (dō'ko-), n. pl. Religious sect, with some likeness in doctrines to Quakers, of which large numbers migrated from Russia to Canada after persecutions for refusing military service. [f. Russ. = spirit-fighters]

doum (down, dōum), n. (Also ~*palm*) Egyptian palm-tree. [f. Arab. *dawm, dum*]

|| **dour** (-oor), a. (Sc.). Severe, stern, obstinate. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [prob. f. *L durus* hard]

douse, dowse, v.t. (Naut.) lower (sail), close (port-hole); extinguish (light); ~ *the glim*, sl., put out the light; throw water over, drench. [?]

dove (dūv), n. Kinds of pigeon (*cushat, ground, ring, rock, stock, turtle, wood, ~*); the Holy Spirit; type of gentleness or innocence (so ~*eyed*); messenger of good news or peace (*Gen. viii*); darling (esp. *my ~*); ~*colour(ed)*, (of) warm grey; ~*s-foot*, kinds of crane's bill; ~*hawk*, hen-harrier (from its colour); ~*col(e)*, pigeon-house (*flutter the ~cote*, alarm quiet people). Hence ~LIKE (dūv-l) a. [cf. G *taube*; perh. cogn. w. OE *difan* DIVE]

Dōv'er's powd'er, n. (pharm.). Preparation of opium, ipecacuanha, and sulphate of potash or sugar of milk, an anodyne diaphoretic. [Dr. Thos. *Dover* (d. 1742)]

dove'tail (dūv-t), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Tenon shaped like dove's spread tail or reversed wedge, fitting into corresponding mortise & forming joint; such a joint. 2. vb. Put together with ~s; (fig.) fit together (t. & i.) compactly. [from 16th c.]

dow. See D(OW).

dow'ager, n. || Woman with title or property derived from her late husband (often in comb. as *Queen ~, ~ duchess*); (colloq.) dignified elderly lady. [f. OF *douagere* f. *douage* dower, -ER²(2)]

dowd' [y], n. & a. (Woman) shabbily, badly, or unfashionably dressed; (of dress etc.) unattractive, unfashionable. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS (2), nn., ~YISM¹ a. [f. obs. *dowd* slut, etym. dub.]

dow'el, n., & v.t. Headless pin of wood, metal, etc., for keeping two pieces of wood, stone, etc., in their relative

position; (vb) fasten with ~. [cf. G *döbel* plug, OF *doelle* barrel-stave]

dow'er, n., & v.t. 1. Widow's share for life of husband's estate; property or money brought by wife to husband, dowry; endowment, gift of nature, talent. Hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Give dowry to; endow with talent etc. [vb f. n., OF *douaire* f. LL *dotalium* (L *dos dotis*, -ARY¹)]

|| **dow'l'as**, n. Kind of strong calico or linen. [*Doulas* in Brittany]

dow'n¹, n. Open high land, || esp. (pl.) treeless undulating chalk uplands of S. England used for pasture; = DUNN; || *The D-s*, part of sea (opposite North D-s) within Goodwin Sands. [OE *dūn* hill cf. O Du. *dūna* whence *F dune*]

dow'n², n. First covering of young birds; bird's under plumage, used in cushions etc.; fine short hair, esp. first hair on face, also on fruit etc.; fluffy substance. [f. ON *dūn*, cf. G *dauue*]

dow'n³, adv. (superl., a. or adv., ~most). 1. (Motion): from above, to lower place, to ground, (come ~, from bedroom; knock, fall, ~; sun, ship, goes ~, sets, sinks; food goes ~, is swallowed; get ~, swallow, alight; book etc. goes ~, finds acceptance; get, set, ~, from carriage etc.; brought ~ by river; money ~, pay ~, at once, as though on counter; write, set, put, take, copy, ~, on paper; so Bill ~ for second reading today); to place regarded as lower, into helpless position, with current or wind, southwards, || from capital or university, (*Lords' amendments sent ~ to Commons*; bear ~, sail to leeward; run, ride, hunt, ~, bring to bay; shout, hiss, ~, silence; ~ to Norfolk from Scotland, to Scotland or the country from London; || go ~, for vacation or at end of university life; || send ~, university punishment; up & ~, to & fro); (ellipt. for imperat. of lie, get, put, etc., ~ (~, Ponto!; ~ helm, put the HELM ~; & with with, ~ with the aristocrats!). 2. (Station): in lower place (*blinds were ~*; is not ~ yet, i.e. out of his bedroom); || not up in capital or university; in fallen posture, prostrate, at low level, in depression, humiliation, etc., (*hit man who is ~*; many ~ with fever; sun, tide, are ~; ~ in the mouth or ~ or ~-hearted, dispirited; are we ~-hearted?, sl. assertion of confidence; bread is ~, cheaper). 3. (Order, time, quality): inclusively of lower limit in series (*from King ~ to cobbler*); from earlier to later time (*custom handed ~*); to finer consistence (*boil, grind, wear, thin, ~*); into quiescence (*calm ~*). 4. (Phrases): be ~ on, pounce upon, treat severely; ~ to the ground, completely; ~ at heel; ~ on one's LUCK; ~ & out, unable to resume the fight in boxing, beaten in the struggle of life, done for; ~ & out n.; ~-eas'ter, New-Englander, esp. inhabitant of Maine; ~ under, at the antipodes,

in Australia etc. [OE *dūne* for *adūne* ADOWN]

dow'n⁴, prep. Downwards along, through, or into; from top to bottom of; at a lower part of (*situated ~ the Thames*); up & ~, to & fro along; ~ town, into the town from higher or outlying part; ~ the wind, with it (*let go ~ the wind*, abandon, discard). [f. prec.]

dow'n⁵, a. (not compared). Directed downwards (~ leap, look; ~ grade, descending slope in railroad, fig. deterioration); ~draught, downward draught, esp. one driving down chimney into room; ~ train, going, coming, from London, ~ platform, for such train's departure or arrival. [f. DOWN³]

dow'n⁶, v.t. (colloq.). Put, throw, knock, (usu. person or aeroplane) down; ~ tools, cease work for the day etc., go on strike. [f. DOWN³]

dow'n⁷, n. Reverse of fortune (usu. *ups & ~s*); (Downdoes) = POSE¹; have a ~ on, dislike, tend to be down on, (colloq.). [f. DOWN³]

dow'n'cast¹ (-ah-), n. (Also ~-shaft) shaft for introducing fresh air into mine. [DOWN³ + CAST¹]

dow'n'cast² (-ah-), a. (Of looks) directed downwards; dejected.

dow'n'fall (-awl), n. Great fall of rain etc.; fall from prosperity, ruin.

dow'nhill, n., adj. & adv. (N., down'hil') downward slope, decline, (~ of life, later half); (adj., down'h) sloping down, declining; (adv., -hil') in descending direction, on a decline.

Down'ing Street, n. Street in London containing some government offices, (home of) the Government of the day (*does not find favour in ~*; ~ disapproves).

dow'n'pour (-pōr), n. Heavy fall of rain etc.

dow'n'right (-rit; downrit' if placed late), a. & adv. 1. (Arch.) vertical; plain, definite, straightforward, blunt, whence ~NESS (-rit²) n.; not short of, out-&-out, (a ~ lie, atheist; ~ nonsense). 2. adv. Thoroughly, positively, quite, (~ scared, insolent). [DOWN³ + RIGHT a. & adv.]

downstairs¹, adv., down'stair(s), a. Down the stairs; to, on, of, a lower floor.

dow'n'throw (-ō), n. (geol.). Depression of strata on one side of fault.

dow'n'trōdden, a. Oppressed, kept under.

dow'n'ward, a. & adv., down'wards (-z), adv. (Moving, pointing, leading) towards what is lower, inferior, or later. [OE *adūnweard* (DOWN³, -WARD)]

dow'n'y¹, a. Like, of, downs. [DOWN³, -y¹]

dow'n'y², a. Of, like, covered with, down; (sl.) wide awake, knowing. So ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [DOWN³, -y¹]

dow'r'y, n. Portion woman brings to her husband; talent, natural gift. [f. OF as DOWER]

dows'ing (-s), n. Searching for latent water or minerals with the ~- (or *divining-*) rod, a forked twig held by the dows'er (-z-) & dipping over the right spot. [?]

dōxō'logy, n. Liturgical formula of praise to God, as *Glory be to etc.* [f. mod. L f. Gk *doxologia* (doxa glory, -logy)]

dōx'ý, n. Beggar's wench, paramour. [?]

dōx'ý, n. Opinion, esp. on theology. [Joc. use of end of *orthodoxy*, *heterodoxy*]

doyen (see Ap.), n. Senior member of a body, esp. senior ambassador at a court. [F, f. L as *DEAN*¹]

doyley. See **DOILY**.

dōze, v.i., & n. 1. Sleep drowsily, be half asleep; ~ off, fall lightly asleep. 2. n. Short slumber. [cf. Da. *dose* make drowsy]

do'zen (dū-), n. (Pl. ~, used adjectivally or as noun, when with numeral or equivalent except some) twelve, as *a, three, several, how many, ~ figs or of the best figs, of these, but some ~s of people, cf. some (about a) ~ (of) people, ~s of (= many) times; (pl. ~s) set of twelve, as pack them in ~s; baker's, devil's, long, printer's, ~, thirteen; || talk nineteen to the ~, incessantly.* [f. OF *dozaine* (L *duodecim* twelve)]

drāb¹, n., & v.i. (-bb-). Slut, slattern; prostitute; (vb) whore. [cf. Irish *drabog*, Gael. *drabag*]

drāb¹, a. & n. (Of) dull light brown colour; dull, monotonous; monotony. [prob. f. obs. & F *drap* cloth]

|| **drābb'et**, n. Drab twilled linen used for smock-frocks. [prec., -ER¹]

drāb'ble, v.i. & t. Go splashing through, make dirty and wet with, water or mud. [= EFris. *drabbeln* paddle]

Dracaen'a (-sēn-), n. Genus of liliaceous trees, including the *Dragon-tree* (yielding **DRAGON**'s-blood). [mod. L f. Gk *drakaina* fem. of *drakōn* dragon]

drachm (-ām), n. Ancient Greek silver coin, drachma; (Apoth. wt) 60 grains, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz; (Avoird.) 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ grains, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz; small quantity. [f. F *drachme* f. L as foll.]

drāch'ma (-k-), n. (pl. ~s, ~e). Ancient Greek coin (see prec.); modern Greek coin. [L, f. Gk *drachmē* (*drassomat* grasp)]

Dracōn'ian, **Dracōn'ic**, aa. (Of laws) rigorous, harsh, cruel. [*Drakōn* Athenian legislator 621 B.C. + -IAN, -IC]

draff (-ahf), n. Dregs, lees; hog's-wash; refuse of malt after brewing. [from 1205; ME, MDu., Icel., Sw., *draf*, cf. G *trüber* husks]

draft¹ (-ah-), n. 1. (Selection of) detachment of men from larger body for special duty, contingent, reinforcement. 2. Drawing of money by written order (make ~ ~ on fund etc., also fig. on person's confidence, friendship, etc.), bill

or cheque drawn, esp. by one branch of bank on another. 3. Sketch of work to be executed; rough copy of document. 4. (Masonry) chisel-dressing along margin of stone's surface. [var. of **DRAUGHT**¹]

draft² (-ah-), v.t. 1. Draw off (part of larger body, esp. of troops) for special purpose. 2. Prepare, make rough copy of, (document, esp. Parliamentary Bill), whence ~ER¹ n. 3. (Masonry) cut draft on (stone). [f. prec.]

drafts'man (-ahf-), n. One who makes drawings or designs; one who drafts documents or Parliamentary Bills. [= **DRAUGHTSMAN**]

drāg¹, v.t. & i. (-gg-). Pull along with force, difficulty, or friction; allow (feet, tail, etc.) to trail; *ship ~s her anchor, anchor ~s, anchor fails to hold; ~ in, introduce (subject) needlessly (why ~ in Velasquez?; also ~ in by the head & shoulders); (Mus.) go too slowly, be wanting in life; trail, go heavily; ~ on, continue (t. & i.) tediously; ~ out, protract; use grapnel or drag (often for drowned person or lost object), dredge, search bottom of, (river etc.) with grapnels, nets, etc.; harrow (land); apply drag to (wheel, vehicle); (colloq.) ~ up (child), rear roughly. [perh. var. of **DRAW**]*

drāg¹, n. Heavy harrow; rough sledge; four-horsed private vehicle like stage coach; (also ~net) net drawn over bottom of river etc. or surface of field to enclose all fish or game; apparatus for dredging or recovering drowned persons etc.; muckrake; iron shoe for retarding vehicle downhill; obstruction to progress; strong-smelling lure for hounds in lieu of fox (so ~hounds), club for pursuing this sport; slow motion, impeded progress; ~anchor, floating frame on hawser to check lee-way of drifting ship; ~chain, used to retard vehicle by fixing wheel, (fig.) impediment. [f. prec.]

dragée (drah'zhā), n. Chocolate drop, sweetmeat (often one serving as vehicle for a drug). [F; said to be ult. f. Gk *tragēmata* sweetmeats]

drāg'gle, v.t. & i. Make wet, limp, & dirty, by trailing; hang trailing; lag, straggle in rear; ~tail(ed), (woman) with ~d or untidily trailing skirt. [prob. f. **DRA**¹ + -LE(3)]

drāg'oman, n. (pl. -ans, -en). Interpreter, esp. in Arabic, Turkish, or Persian. [F, f. OArab. *targuman*, cf. **TARGUM**]

drāg'on, n. Mythical monster like crocodile or snake with wings & claws & often breathing fire; (with allusion to legends) guardian of treasure etc. or of female chastity, watchful person, duenna; (Bibl.) whale or shark, serpent, crocodile, jackal; the old D~, Satan; kinds of lizard & pigeon; ~fly, neuropterous insect with long slender body & two pairs of large wings ~s-blood bright

red gum exuding from kind of palm fruit; ~s *teeth*, anti-tank obstacles resembling teeth pointing upwards. [F, f. L. *dracōnem* nom. -o f. Gk *drakōn* serpent perh. f. *derkomai* see, st. *drak-*]

drāgnōnāde', n., & v.t. (Pl.) persecutions of Protestants under Louis XIV by quartering dragons on them; persecution carried on by means of troops; (vb) persecute thus. [F (*dragon* DRAGON, -ADE)]

drāgōn', n., & v.t. 1. Cavalryman (orig. mounted infantryman armed with carbine called ~; later of certain cavalry regiments that were formerly mounted infantry); rough fierce fellow; kind of pigeon (also *dragon*). 2. v.t. Set ~s upon, persecute (see prec.), force into a course by persecution. [f. F *dragon* carbine, so named as breathing fire (DRAGON)]

drail, n. Fish-hook & line weighted with lead for dragging at depth through water. [perh. a mixture of *draw*, *trail*]

drain', v.t. & l. Draw (liquid) off or away by conduit, ~-pipes, etc. (also fig., ~ the wealth of England); drink (liquid, empty (vessel), to the dregs; dry (land etc.) by withdrawing moisture; (of river) carry off superfluous water of (district); deprive (person, thing) of property, strength, etc.; trickle through, flow off or away; (of wet cloth, vessel, etc.) get rid of moisture by its flowing away (*set it there to* ~). [OE *dræhnan* cogn. w. DRY]

drain', n. Channel carrying off liquid, artificial conduit for water, sewage, etc.; (Surg.) tube for drawing off discharge from abscess etc.; constant outlet, withdrawal, demand, or expenditure (*a great ~ on my resources*); (sl.) small draught, drink. [f. prec.]

drain'age, n. Draining; system of drains, artificial or natural; ~-basin, district drained by river; what is drained off, sewage. [-AGE]

drain'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., vessel in which things are put to drain. [-ER¹]

drāke', n. Kinds of ephemeral fly used in fishing (*green ~*, common day-fly). [OE *draca* f. L. *draco* DRAGON]

drāke', n. Male duck (*play* DUCK's & ~s). [cf. G dial. *draak*, perh. seen in G *entrich* earlier *endrich*, of which *end-* perh. = *ente* duck]

drām, n. A weight (see DRACHM); small draught of spirit etc. (~-*drinker*, -*ing*, tippler, -*ing*; ~-*shop*, public-house). [for DRACHM]

dra'ma (-ah-), n. Stage-play; the ~, the dramatic art, composition & presentation of plays; set of events having the unity & progress of a play & leading to catastrophe or consummation. [LL f. Gk (gen. -*atos*), f. *drāō* do, -M]

dramāt'ic, a. Of drama; as of a play-actor, theatrical; fit for theatrical representation, sudden, striking, im-

pressive; (of utterances etc.) not to be taken as one's own, representing another person's thoughts. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. LL f. Gk *dramatikos* (prec., -IC)]

drām'atīs pērsōn'ae, n. pl. (often with sing. constr.). (List of) characters in a play. [L]

drām'atist, n. Playwright. [DRAMA, -IST]
drām'atize, v.t. & l. Convert (novel etc.) into a play, admit of such conversion; make a dramatic scene of. Hence ~A'TION n. [DRAMA, -IZE]

drām'atūrg'is, n. Playwright. So **drām'atūrg'io** a., ~-IST(1), ~Y¹, nn. [F, f. Gk *dramatourgos* (DRAMA, -ergos -working)]

drank. See DRINK¹.

drāpe, v.t. Cover, hang, adorn, with cloth etc.; arrange (clothes, hangings) in graceful folds. [f. F *draper* (*drap* cloth)]
drāp'er, n. Dealer in cloth, linen, etc. [f. F *drapier* (prec., -IER)]

drāp'er'y, n. Cloth & linen & cotton fabrics; draper's trade; arrangement of clothing in sculpture etc.; clothing or hangings disposed in folds, whence ~IED¹ (-id) a. [f. OF *draperie* (*drap* cloth, -ERY)]

drās't'ic, a. Acting strongly, vigorous, violent, esp. (Med.) strongly purgative. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *drastikos* (*drastos* vbl adj. of *drāō* do, -IC)]

drāt, v.t. 3 sing. subjunct. (vulg.). Confound, curse, bother, (as woman's imprecation). Hence ~T'ED¹ a. [for 'od (God) rot]

draught' (-ahft), n. (also *draft* in some senses, as stated). 1. Drawing, traction, (*beast of ~*, ~-horse, etc.), for drawing cart, plough, etc.). 2. Drawing of net for fish etc., take of fish at one drawing. 3. Single act of drinking, amount so drunk, (also fig. of joy, love, pain, etc.); dose of liquid medicine (*black ~*, a purgative). 4. (Naut.) depth of water ship draws or requires to float her. 5. pl. || Game with 24 similar pieces on ~ (same as chess) -board. 6. Current of air in room, chimney, etc. (*forced ~*, of furnace, made by rarefying air above or compressing it below; || *feel the ~*, sl., suffer from adverse conditions), whence ~'Y¹ a., ~'INESS n., (-ahf-). 7. Outline, preliminary drawing for work of art; plan of something to be constructed (also -*ff*); rough copy, first conception, of document (usu. -*ff*). 8. (Selection of) military detachment, party, reinforcement, (usu. -*ff*). 9. (Written order for) withdrawing of money from fund in bank etc., cheque, bill of exchange, (now -*ff*). 10. Drawing of liquor from vessel (*beer on ~*, in tapped cask; so || ~ *beer*, opp. *bottled*). [ME *draht* cf. G *tracht* vbl n. f. com.-Teut. *dragan* DRAW]
draught' (-ahft), v.t. Draw off (party for military service etc.) from larger body (now *draft*); make plan or sketch of (also -*ff*). [f. prec.]

draughts'man (-ahft-), n. (pl. *-men*). One who makes drawings, plans, or sketches (*good, bad, no, ~*, one who draws well etc), whence *~SHIP*(3) n., **draughts'woman** (-ahftswd6-) n. fem.; (usu. *draftsman*) person who drafts document, esp. Parliamentary Bill; piece in game of draughts. [*draught's*+*man*]

Dravid'ian, a. & n. (Member, language) of one of the non-Aryan races of Southern India and Ceylon (including Tamils & Kanarese). [f. Skr. *Dravida*, a province of S. India]

draw¹, v.t. & i. (*drew, drawn*). 1. Pull (boat up from water, hat over face, belt tighter, pen across paper, friend aside); pull after one (plough, cart, cartload, etc.); drag (criminal) on hurdle etc. to execution; contract, distort, (*with ~n face*); haul in (net); bend (bow; *~ a BEAD*¹ on); pull at (*~ bit, bridle, rein, check horse, & fig. oneself*); pull (curtain, veil) open or shut; *~ cloth*, clear table after meal; (Cricket) divert (ball) to on side with bat; (Golf) drive (ball) too much to left (of right-handed player). 2. Attract, bring to one, take in, (*drew a deep breath*; & abs., *chimney, pipe, ~s well*, promotes, allows, draught; *I felt ~n to him*; *drew my attention*; *~ him into talk, out of temptation*; *~s customers*, & abs., attracts attention or custom); induce to do; be attracted, assemble, round or about some centre (*drew round the table*); bring about, entail, (*drew after it great consequences*; *~ ruin upon oneself*). 3. Extract (cork, tooth, gun-charge, nail, cricket-stumps from ground, card from pack; pistol, sword from sheath, also abs. = *one's sword or pistol*; *~ one's sword against*, attack; *~ LOTS*, also abs. = *lots*, & trans. = obtain by lot, as *drew the winner*); drag (badger, fox) from hole; haul up (water) from well; bring out (liquid, blood) from vessel, body (*~ it mild*, i.e. orig. beer, now = be moderate, not exaggerate); extract essence of (*~ the tea*, also intr. *the tea ~s*); (of poultice) drain (gathering etc.); take, get, from a source (*~ inspiration, one's salary*; *tax ~s well, ~s from the rich only*); (Cards) cause to be played (*~ all the trumps*); bring (person) out, make him reveal information, talent, irritation, etc.; deduce, infer, (conclusion); extract something from, empty, drain (*caif ~s cow*), disembowel (*hanged, ~n, & quartered*, of criminal; *~ foul before cooking*); (Hunt.) search (covert) for game (*~ blank*, find none). 4. Protract, stretch, elongate, (*long ~n agony*; *~plate*, hard steel plate pierced with graduated apertures through which rods or wires are *~n* during manufacture; *~ wire*, make it by pulling piece of metal through successively smaller holes); (Naut., intr. of sail) swell out with wind. 5. Trace (furrow, figure, line;

~ the line at, refuse to go as far as or beyond); delineate, make (picture), represent (object), by *~ing* lines, (abs.) use pencil thus; describe in words; practise delineation; frame (document) in due form, compose, (often *up, out*); formulate, institute, (comparisons, distinctions); write out (bill, cheque, draft, on banker etc.), (abs.) make call on person or his faith, memory, etc., for money or service. 6. Make way, move, *towards, near, off, back*, etc. (*~ to an end or close*); (Racing) get further away to the front, come level, gain on. 7. (Of doubtful origin); (of ship) require (such a depth of water) to float; *~ game or battle*, part without deciding it. 8. (With advv. in special senses); *~ back*, withdraw from undertaking; *~ in*, entice, persuade to join, (of day) close in, (of successive days) become shorter; *~ off*, withdraw (troops; or intr. of troops etc.); *~ on*, lead to, bring about, allure, approach (intr.); *~ out*, lead out, detach, or array (troops), prolong, elicit, induce to talk, write out in proper form, (of days) become longer; *~ up*, (refl.) assume stiff attitude, (intr.) come up with or to = overtake, come to a stand, (t. & i. of troops) bring or come into regular order, (trans.) compose (document etc.). [com.-Teut., OE *dragan*, cf. G *tragen* carry]

draw², n. Act of DRAWING; esp.: strain, pull; attractive effect, thing that draws custom, attention, etc.; drawing of lots, raffle; drawn game; remark etc. meant to elicit information or set person off on pet subject; act of whipping out revolver in order to shoot (*quick on the ~*); *movable part of drawbridge. [f. prec.]

draw back, n. Amount of excise or import duty paid back or remitted on goods exported; deduction from; thing that qualifies satisfaction, disadvantage; *~ lock*, with spring bolt that can be drawn back by inside knob. [DRAW¹]

draw'bridge, n. Bridge hinged at one end for drawing up to prevent passage or to open channel. [DRAW¹]

Drawcan'sir (-er), n. & a. (Person) formidable both to friend and foe; fierce swashbuckler. [name of character in Villiers's *Rehearsal*]

drawee¹, n. Person on whom draft or bill is drawn. [-EE]

draw'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (arch.) tapster; receptacle sliding in & out of special frame (*~s or chest of ~s*) or of table etc., for holding clothes, papers, etc., whence *~FUL*(2) n.; (pl.) two-legged (usu. under-) garment suspended from waist. [-EE¹]

draw'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: art of representing by line, delineation without colour or with single colour, (*out of ~, incorrectly drawn*); product of this, black-&-white or monochrome sketch;

~block, of detachable leaves of ~paper adhering at edges; ~board, for stretching ~paper on; ~compass(es), with pen or pencil substituted for one point; || ~pin, for fastening ~paper to ~board. [-ING¹]

draw'ing-rōom, n. Room for reception of company, to which ladies retire after dinner; levee, formal reception esp. at court. [for earlier *withdrawing*-]

drawl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak, utter (often out), with indolent or affected slowness; (of words, esp. in part.) be so uttered; hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. Slow utterance. [prob. intensive f. DRAW¹; cf. Du. *draalen*, Efris. *draulen*, loiter]

drawn, p.p. of DRAW¹; ~work, fancy work in linen etc. done by drawing out threads.

draw'well, n. Deep well with rope and bucket. [DRAW¹]

dray, n. Low esp. brewer's cart without sides for heavy loads (~horse, large & powerful; ~man, brewer's driver). [f. OE *dragan* DRAW¹, cf. Sw. *drög*]

dread¹ (-ēd), v.t., & n. 1. Be in great fear of; shrink from, look forward to with terror; fear greatly (*that*, to learn etc.), be afraid (to do). 2. n. Great fear, awe, apprehension; object of fear or awe. [n. f. vb. ME *dreden*, *dræden*, cf. OE *andradēn*, etym. dub.]

dread² (-ēd), a. Dreaded, dreadful; awful, revered. [ME p.p. of DREAD¹]

dread'ful (-ēd), a. Terrible, awe-inspiring (|| penny ~ ellipt., story-book full of horrors); troublesome, disagreeable, boring, very bad or long, horrid. Hence ~ly² adv. [-FUL]

dread'nought (-ēdnawt), n. (Cloth used for) thick coat for stormy weather; (D~) type of 20th-c. battleship greatly superior in tonnage & power to all predecessors (f. name of first built in 1907).

dream¹, n. Vision, series of pictures or events, presented to sleeping person; act, time, of seeing such vision; *waking* ~, similar experience of one awake; conscious indulgence of fancy, reverie, castle in the air, (also day~); thing (ideal, person, dress, dish, etc.) of ~like goodness, beauty, or refinement; ~reader, interpreter of ~s; ~world, -land, region outside the laws of nature. Hence ~less, ~like, aa. [cf. G *traum*, perh. cogn. w. G *trügen* deceive]

dream², v.i. & t. (~t pr. -ēmt, or ~ed). Have visions in sleep; see, hear, etc., in sleep (~t a dream, did you ~ it?, ~ that . . .); imagine as in a dream, think possible; (with negative etc.) think of even in a dream, so much as contemplate possibility of, have any conception of; fall into reverie; form imaginary visions of; be inactive or unpractical (& trans. ~ away one's time). Hence ~er¹ n. [as prec.]

dream'hōle, n. Hole left in wall of tower etc. to admit light. [perh. f. OE *drēam* mirth, music (the holes letting sound of bells issue)]

dream³ [y, a. Full of dreams (rare or poet.); given to reverie, fanciful, unpractical; dreamlike, vague, misty. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-Y²]

drear¹ [y, (poet.) drear, a. Dismal, gloomy, dull. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [OE *dréorig* (dréor gore) prob. cogn. w. *dréosan* to drop & G *traurig* sad] **drédge**¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Apparatus for bringing up oysters, specimens, etc., or clearing out mud etc., from river or sea bottom. 2. vb. Bring up, clear away or out, with ~; clean out (harbour, river) with ~; use ~; hence **drédge'er**¹ [-ER¹ (1, 2)] n. [earlier *dreg* perh. f. DRAG¹]

drédge², v.t. Sprinkle with flour or other powder; sprinkle (flour etc.) over; *drédge-ing-box*, =foll. [f. obs. *drédge* sweetmeat, f. OF *dragee* f. L f. Gk *tragēma* (trōgō chew)]

drédge'er², n. (for *drédger*¹ see DREDGE¹). Box with perforated lid for sprinkling flour etc. [prec., -ER¹]

|| **dree**, v.t. (arch.). Endure (still in ~ one's *weird*, submit to one's lot). [OE *dréogan*]

drég, n. (usu. pl.). Sediment, grounds, lees, (drink, drain, to the ~s, leaving nothing); worthless part, refuse; (sing.) small remnant (esp. not a ~). Hence ~g'y² (-g-) a. [cf. Icel. *dreggjar*, Sw. *dragg*]

Dreibund (dri'bönt), n. = TRIPLE Alliance (3). [G (*drei* three, *bund* league)]

drénch¹, n. Drought or dose administered to animal; (arch.) large, medicinal, or poisonous draught; a soaking or down-pour. [OE *drenc* cogn. w. DRINK]

drénch², v.t. Make to drink largely; force (animal) to take draught of medicine; (Sheep-washing, Tanning) steep, soak; wet all over with falling liquid (or of the liquid; ~ed with, by). [OE *drencan* cf. G *tränken*, causative of TRINK]

drén'cher, n. In vbl senses; esp.: drenching shower; apparatus for giving drench to beast. [-ER¹]

Drés'den (-z-), n. ~china, porcelain, kind produced in Saxony esp. in 18th c.

dréss¹, v.t. & i. 1. (Mil.) correct the alignment of (companies etc. in relation to each other, or men in line), (intr.) come into correct place in line etc. (*up*, i.e. forward, back, or abs.). 2. Array, clothe, (~ed in black, serge, etc.); provide oneself with clothes (~ well etc.); put on one's clothes; put on evening dress (esp. ~ for dinner); ~ up, attire oneself, attire (another), elaborately or in masquerade; ~ out, attire conspicuously. 3. Deck, adorn, (ship with flags, shop-window with tempting wares); provide (play) with

4. Treat (wound, wounded

man) with remedies, apply dressing to. 5. Subject to cleansing, trimming, smoothing, etc.; brush, comb, do up, (hair); curry (horse, leather; & fig., often ~ down, thrash, scold). 6. Finish surface of (textile fabrics, building-stone). 7. Prepare, cook, (food); prune (plant); manure. [f. OF *dresser* cf. It. *dirizzare* f. L *directus* DIRECT]

drèss', n. 1. Clothing, esp. the visible part of it, costume (*full* ~, that worn on great occasions; *evening* ~, or ~, that worn at dinners or evening parties; *morning* ~, ordinary; a ~, lady's gown, frock). 2. External covering, outward form, (*birds in their winter* ~, *French book appearing in English* ~). 3. || ~ *circle*, first gallery in theatres, in which evening-~ was once required; ~ *coat*, swallow-tailed for evening ~; ~ *guard*, on bicycle etc. to protect ~; ~ *improver*, = BUSTLE²; ~ *maker*, -*king*, (woman) making women's ~es; ~ *rehearsal*, final one in costume; ~ *shield*, -*preserver*, piece of waterproof material fastened under the arms of a bodice. [f. prec.]

drèss'er¹, n. || Kitchen sideboard with shelves for dishes etc. [f. OF *dresser* (*dresser* DRESS²) cf. med. L *directorium*]

drèss'er², n. In vbl senses; esp.: surgeon's assistant in hospital operations, whence ~SHIP(1) n.; one who helps to dress actors or actresses, looks after costumes, etc. [-ER¹]

drèss'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: scolding or thrashing (usu. with down); sauce, stuffing, etc.; manure; bandages, ointments, etc., for wound; stiffening used in finishing fabrics; ~ *bell* etc., signal to dress for dinner; ~ *case*, of toilet necessities; ~ *gown*, worn while making toilet or in dishabille; ~ *room*, attached to bedroom for toilet; ~ *table*, for looking-glass etc. [-ING¹]

drèss'ÿ, a. Fond of, smart in, dress; (of clothes) stylish. Hence ~INNESS n. [-Y²]

drew. See DRAW¹.

drib'blé, v.t. & t., & n. 1. Flow, let flow, in drops or trickling stream (n., such flow); (of child, idiot, etc.) run at the mouth. 2. (Football) work (ball) forward with slight touches of alternate or different players' feet (n., piece of ~ing). 3. (Billiards) make (ball) just roll (or intr. of ball) into pocket. Hence ~ER² n. [frequent. of obs. *drib* v. var. of DRIP]

drib(b)'lét, n. Small quantity, petty sum, (esp. by ~s). [f. *drib* see prec. + -LET]

dried, drier. See DRY².

drift¹, n. 1. Being driven by current; slow course or current; ship's deviation due to currents (~ *anchor*, = DRAG²-*anchor*). 2. Projectile's deviation due to rotation. 3. || (Forest Law) driving of cattle to one place on appointed day to determine ownership etc. 4. Natural or unperceived progress, tendency. 5. Watting on

events, inaction, (esp., contempt., the policy of ~). 6. Purpose, meaning, tenor, or scope, of person or his words. 7. Shower, driving mass; snow, sand, etc., accumulated by wind; (also ~ *ice*, ~ *wood*, etc.) matter driven by water; (Geol.) superficial deposit made by current of water or air (D ~, pleistocene ice détritius, boulder clay). 8. (Also ~ *net*) large net for herrings etc. allowed to drift with tide. 9. (Mining) horizontal passage following mineral vein. 10. S.-Afr. ford. 11. Tool for enlarging or shaping hole in metal. 12. The horizontal component of the aerodynamic pressure on all exposed surfaces of an aeroplane in flight (cf. LIFT). [f. OE *drifan* DRIVE¹]

drift², v.i. & t. Be carried (as) by current of air or water, (of current) carry; go passively or aimlessly; pile, be piled, by wind into drifts; cover (field, road) with drifts; form or enlarge hole (see prec.). Hence ~AGE(1) n., ~ER² n., (esp.) boat used in drift-net fishing (much also in mine-sweeping during the 1914-18 war). [f. prec.]

drill¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Pointed steel etc. tool, or machine, for boring holes (vb, bore, of person or tool, with metal etc., or hole etc., as obj.; also intr., ~ *through*, perforate); boring shell-fish. 2. Instruction or exercise in military evolutions (~ *sergeant*, instructor in ~, also fig.), rigorous discipline, exact routine, (vb, subject to, or undergo, such discipline; *B Company will ~ tomorrow*; ~ *him in what he is to say, in Latin Grammar*). [n. in sense tool f. Du. *dril* f. *drillen* v.; vb in sense bore f. n.; other n. senses f. vb]

drill², n., & v.t. Small furrow for sowing seed in, ridge with such furrow on top, row of plants so sown; machine for furrowing, sowing, & covering seed; (vb) sow (seed) thus, plant (ground) in ~s. [perh. = prec.]

drill³, n. Kind of baboon. [perh. W.-Afr.]

drill⁴, n. Coarse twilled linen or cotton fabric. [earlier *drilling* f. G *drillich* f. L *trilicem* nom. -ix (*tri-* three-, *licium* thread)]

dril'ÿ. See DRY¹.

drink¹, v.t. & i. 1. (*dränk*; *drünk* & poet. *drünk'en*). Swallow (liquid); take (*the waters* at a spa) medicinally; ~ *off*, up, ~ the whole of at once; (of plants, porous things, etc.) absorb (moisture; often up or in); (fig.) ~ *in*, contemplate, listen to, with delight; empty (vessel, the cup of pain or joy); spend (wages etc.) on drink; swallow liquid, take draught, (often of a source; ~ *deep*, take large draught, or be great ~er as in next sense); take spirituous liquor esp. to excess, tipple, be a drunkard, (~ *hard*, *heavily*, like a fish; ~ing-BOUT; ~ing-water (reserved, pure enough, for ~ing); ~ oneself drunk, to

*death, out of a situation; ~ down or under the table, outlast in retaining control of oneself while ~ing; ~ to, pledge, toast; wish good etc. to in ~ing (~ one's health, ~ success or confusion to). Hence (-) ~ER¹ n. [com.-Teut.; OE *drincan* cf. *G trinken*]*

drink¹, n. Liquid swallowed or absorbed; beverage; intoxicating liquor (also *strong ~*), excessive indulgence in it, intemperance (*on the ~*, giving way to this; *in ~*, drunk); glass etc. or portion of liquor (STAND¹ ~s round); ~-offering, libation; *the ~* (R.A.F. sl.), the sea. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *drinc* & *drinca* f. *drincan* = prec.]

drink², a. & n. Good to drink; (n., esp. in pl.) thing(s) to drink. [-ABLE]

drip¹, v.i. & t. (-pp-). Fall, let fall, in drops; let drops fall, be so wet (*with blood etc.*) as to shed drops (~ping wet, very wet). [OE *dryppan* cf. *G tröpfen*]

drip², n. Act of dripping; dripping liquid; (Archit.) projection keeping rain from parts below (so ~moulding, ~stone); ~drop, persistent dripping. Hence ~p'r¹ a. [f. prec.]

dripp¹, n. In vbl senses; also: fat melted from roasting meat, & used for frying or as food; ~s, water, grease, etc., dripping from anything. [-ING¹]

drive¹, v.t. & i. (*dröve, driven*). 1. Urge in some direction by blows, threats, violence, etc. (usu. with adv. or prep. as *away, back, in, out, from, to, through; ~ out*, oust, take place of); chase or frighten (game, wild beasts, enemy esp. in guerilla warfare) from over large area into small in order to kill or capture. 2. Scour (district), || (Forest Law) hold a DRIFT¹. 3. (Urge &) direct course of (animal drawing vehicle or plough, vehicle etc., or locomotive); convey in vehicle; act as driver of vehicle; travel, go, in car or carriage at one's disposal (cf. *ride* in omnibus, tram, train). 4. Impel forcibly, constrain, compel, (*to, into, to do; ~ mad, out of one's senses*); overwork (*was very hard ~n*). 5. Impel, carry along (of wind, water), throw, propel, send in some direction, (inanimate things); (Cricket) return (ball) from freely swung bat to or past bowler; (Golf) strike (ball, or abs.) with DRIVER from tee. 6. Force (stake, nail, etc.) into ground etc; with blows; bore (tunnel, horizontal cavity); (also *let ~*) aim blow or missile (*at*). 7. (Of steam or other power) set or keep (machinery) going (also of person, ~ a quill, pen, write). 8. Carry on, effect, conclude, (*drive a roaring trade, good bargain*). 9. Defer (~ *it to the last minute*). 10. Dash, rush, hasten; work hard *at*. 11. Float along, drift, tend, (*driving rain; ~ at, seek, intend, mean; what is he driving at?*). [com.-Teut., OE *drifan* cf. *G treiben*]

drive², n. Excursion in vehicle (see prec.); driving of game or enemy (see prec.);

stroke at cricket, golf, etc. (see prec.); energy, push; tendency; *organized effort to collect money for a special purpose; carriage-road, || esp. private road to house; WHIST¹ ~. [f. prec.]

driv¹, v.i. & t. (-ll-), & n. 1. Run at mouth or nose like child; talk childishly or idly; fritter away; hence ~ER² n. 2. n. Silly nonsense, twaddle. [ME *drevelen, dravelen*, OE *dreftian*, prob. cogn. w. DRAFF]

driv², n. One who drives (DRIVER³), coachman (also *cab-~, engine-~, etc.*; *slave-~, overseer of slave gang*); (Golf) straight-faced wooden club for driving long distance from tee; (Mech.) driving-wheel or other part that receives power directly; *front, rear, ~*, bicycle in which power is applied to front, rear, wheel; QUILL ~. Hence ~LESS a. [-ER¹]

driv³, n. Wheel communicating motion to other parts of machine; large wheel of locomotive; cycle wheel that is directly worked.

driz¹, v.i., & n. (Fall in, be wet with) fine dense drops of rain (sub.), *the day, rain, th*. Hence *driz'ly*¹ a. [cf. OE *dréosan* fall, -LE(3)]

drö¹, n. W.-Ind. coasting vessel; slow heavy craft. [thr. F f. 16th-c. Du. *drogher* (droegen to dry) named from drying herrings]

drö², n. Buoy at end of harpoon line; sea anchor, a bag-like contrivance used to steady and delay the movement of a boat; = WIND¹sock. [perh. var. of DRAG¹]

droit (or *drwah*), n. Right, due, legal perquisite, (esp. ~s of Admiralty, proceeds of enemy's ships, wrecks, etc.). [F. f. LL *drictum* f. L *directum* neut. adj. = in LL legal right (DIRECT²)]

dröll, a., n., & v.i. Facetious, amusing; queer, odd, surprising; hence *dröll'ly*¹ (-öl-ll) adv., ~NESS n.; (n., now rare) jester, wag; (v.i., now rare) play the buffoon, jest with, at, on. [f. F *drôle*(s) etym. dub.]

dröll², n. Jesting; a facetious composition; quaint humour. [-ERY]

drôme, n. (colloq.). Aerodrome. [abbr.] -drôme, suf. repr. Gk *dromos* course, used in Gk compounds such as *hippodrome*, in modern words such as *aerodrome*, and (loosely) in *picturedrome*.

dröm¹, n. (also -üm-), n. Light fleet usu. Arabian or one-humped camel bred for riding. [f. OF *dromedaire* f. LL *dromedarius* f. L f. Gk *dromas* -ados runner, -ARY¹]

dröm², n. (hist.). Large medieval ship for war or commerce. [f. OF *dromen* f. LL f. Byz. Gk *dromôn* (*dromos* race)]

dröne, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Male of honey-bee, which does not work; idler; deep humming sound; monotonous speech or speaker; base-pipe of bagpipe; -fixed

continuous note emitted by this. **2. vb.** Buzz like bee or bagpipe, talk or utter monotonously, whence *drön'ingly*³ adv.; idle; idle away (life etc.). [OE *dran*, *dræn*, (sense bee); cf. G *drohne*]

drööl, v.i. (U.S. & dial.). Drivel, slobber. [contr. f. DRIVEL]

droop, v.i. & t., & n. **1.** Hang down, slope, incline, as in weariness; (of eyes) look downwards; (poet., of sun etc.) sink; languish, decline, flag, lose heart; let (head, face, eyes) fall forward or down; hence *~ingly*³ adv. **2. n.** ~ing attitude, loss of spirit, fall of tone. [f. ON *drápa* vb cogn. w. foll.]

dröp¹, n. **1.** Round, pear-shaped, or hemispherical portion of liquid such as hangs or falls separately or adheres to surface (of water, tears, sweat, dew, rain, blood, or abs. in those senses); (Med.) smallest separable quantity of a liquid (in pl., liquid medicine to be measured by ~s); minute quantity (~ in bucket or ocean, infinitesimal factor); glass etc. of intoxicating liquor (*take a ~; has taken a ~ too much*, is drunk; *have a ~ in one's eye*, show signs of having drunk); pendant, hanging ornament, (*ear~s*, earrings; ~s of glass chandelier); sugar-plum (*acid, pear etc.*, ~s); hence *~LET* n. **2.** Act of dropping, fall, social comedown, descent in prices, temperature, etc.; thing that drops or is dropped, as (Theatr.) painted curtain let down between acts (also *~curtain*), (in gallows) platform withdrawn from under feet of condemned (also, distance he is allowed to fall, as ~ of 3 ft); abrupt fall in level of surface, amount of this; (also *~kick*) kick at football made by dropping ball and kicking it as it rises (~off, ~out, such kick to start play after goal, try, or touch-down). **3.** ~forging (also *die-forging*), the system of forcing a piece of white-hot metal through an open-ended die of the required shape; ~hammer (also ~press), forging-machine using the power of a dropped weight; ~shot (Lawn Tennis), shot dropping abruptly after clearing net; ~shutter, appliance for giving instantaneous exposure in photography; ~sulphur, ~lin, granulated by being dropped molten into water; ~wort, kinds of plant with tuberous root fibres. [sense 1 f. OE *drōpa* cf. G *tropfen*, cogn. w. drip, droop; sense 2 f. foll.]

dröp², v.i. & t. (-pp-). **1.** Fall in drops; give off moisture in drops. **2.** Fall by force of gravity from not being held etc., (fig.) be uttered casually (*the remark ~ped from him*), disappear (*a letter has ~ped out*). **3.** Sink to ground exhausted, wounded, etc. (~ on one's knees, kneel), (of setter) crouch at sight of game. **4.** Fall naturally asleep, (back) into habit etc.; die; cease, lapse, (affair was allowed to ~; the correspondence ~ped). **5.** Fall in

direction, condition, amount, degree, pitch. (*prices, voices*, ~); go down stream; fall behind, to the rear, etc. **6.** Come or go casually in as visitor, into place, across person; ~ on or across, reprimand or punish. **7.** Let fall (liquid, tears) in drops, shed; let go, relinquish, cease to hold, (~ anchor, anchor ship); give birth to (esp. lambs). **8.** Utter casually as if unconsciously (esp. ~ a hint; so ~ a postcard, line, note). **9.** Lose (money, esp. in gaming). **10.** Fall with axe, blow of fist, or bullet. **11.** Set down (passenger, parcel). **12.** Omit (letter, one's ha, syllable) in speech. **13.** Let (eyes) droop; lower (voice); ~ CURTSY. **14.** (Football) send (ball), make (goal), by drop-kick (see prec.; also Intr.=take drop-kick). **15.** Cease to associate with, have done with (~ it!, stop that). **16.** ~ away, in, depart, enter, one by one; ~ off, = ~ away, also fall asleep. [OE *drōpian*, see prec.]

dröpp'ings (-z), n. pl. What falls or has fallen in drops, e.g. wax from candles; dung of beasts or birds. [-ING¹]

dröp-scène, n. = drop-curtain (DRÖP¹); final scene, finale, of drama in real life.

dröp'sy, n. Disease in which watery fluid collects in cavities or tissue of body, (fig.) overswollen state. Hence *~ICAL* a., *~ically*³ adv. [f. OF *ydropsie* f. L *hydropsis* f. Gk *hudrōps* -ōpos (*hudrō*, water)]

drös(h)'kŷ, n. Russian low four-wheeled carriage; cab in German towns. [f. Russ. *drozhki* dim. of *drogi* wagon (*droga* perch)]

dröss, n. Scum thrown off from metals in melting; foreign matter mixed with anything, impurities; refuse, rubbish. Hence *~Y³* a. [OE *drōs* cf. G *drusen* husks, dregs]

drought (-owt), (poet., Sc., U.S.) **drouth**, n. (Arch.) dryness, lack of moisture, also thirst; continuous dry weather, want of rain. Hence *drought'Y³* (-owt-), **drouth'Y³**, a. [OE *drūgad* (*drýge* DRY¹, -TR¹)]

dröve¹, n. **1.** Herd, flock, being driven or moving together; crowd, multitude, shoal, large number, esp. as moving together. **2.** Mason's broad chisel. [OE *dráf* (*drifan* DRIVE¹)]

dröve². See DRIVE¹.

dröv'er, n. Driver of droves to market, cattle-dealer. Hence *dröve³* v.t., *dröv'ing¹* n. [DROVE¹ + -ER¹]

drown, v.i. & t. **1.** Suffer death by suffocation in liquid (now usu. be ~ed; but ~ing man etc.); suffocate (person, animal) by submersion (subj., person etc., or the liquid); submerge, flood, drench, (esp. fig. ~ed in tears, sleep, wine; like ~ed rat, in soaked condition; ~ out, drive out by flood). **2.** Deaden (grief etc.) with or in drink; overpower (esp. of louder sound making voice etc. inaudible). [perh. f. *drunken* p.p. of *drink*, cf. MDa. *drūken* drown f. *drucken* p.p. of *drinke* drink]

drowse (-z), v.i. & t., & n. Be dull & sleepy, half asleep; be sluggish; make drowsy; pass away (time) in drowsing; (n.) half-asleep condition. [perh. = OE *drisian* sink, become slow, cogn. w. *drossan* fall; but not found in 11th-15th cc.; prob. back-formation from foll.]

drow'sy (-z), a. Sleepy, half asleep, dozing; lulling, soporific; sluggish; ~y-head, sleepy person. Hence ~iHEAD (arch.), ~iNESS, nn., ~ily² adv. [prob. cogn. w. OE *drisian* see prec.; found earlier than prec.]

drüb, v.t. (-bb-). Cudgel, thump, belabour; beat in fight; beat (notion) into, out of, person. Hence ~b'ing¹ n. [earlier sense *bastinado*; perh. f. Arab. *darb* beating]

drüdge, n., & v.i. 1. Sorvile worker, slave, hack; hence ~ERY(2, 5) n. 2. v.i. Work slavishly at distasteful work; hence ~'ingl^r adv. [perh. cogn. w. DREE]

drüg, n., & v.t. & i. (-gg-). 1. Original simple medicinal substance, organic or inorganic, used alone or as ingredient (the ~ habit, of taking opiates etc.); unsalable commodity, thing no longer in demand (usu. ~ in the market); hence ~g'y² (-g-) a. 2. vb. Adulterate with ~, esp. with narcotic or poison; administer ~s, esp. narcotics, to; indulge in narcotics etc.; nauseate, cloy. [f. F *drogue* cf. Pr. *drogua*, Sp., It., *droga*, etym. dub.]

drügg'et (-g-), n. (Over-carpet or floor-cloth of coarse woollen stuff used for floor or table coverings. [f. F *droguet* etym. dub.]

drügg'ist (-g-), n. Dealer in drugs, pharmaceutical chemist. [-IST]

Dru'id (-öb-), n. Priest, magician, soothsayer, among Celts of ancient Gaul & Britain; officer of Welsh Gorsedd or national assembly. Hence ~ESS¹, ~ISM (3), nn., **Dru'id**'IC(AL) aa., (-öb-). [f. F *druide* f. L pl. *druidae*, -des, f. OCelt. *druid*-magician]

drüm¹, n. 1. Musical instrument sounded by striking & made of hollow cylinder or hemisphere with parchment stretched over opening(s) (*bass*, *tenor*, *big*, *KETTLE*, etc., ~). 2. (Zool.) natural organ giving resonance, as howling monkey's hyoid bone. 3. Sound (as) of ~, esp. bitter'n's cry; player of ~, drummer. 4. Cylindrical structure (~ of ear, hollow part of middle ear) or object, cylinder or barrel in machinery on which something is wound or for other purposes; solid part of Corinthian or composite capital; stone block forming section of shaft; cylindrical receptacle for packing dried fruit, holding oil, etc. 5. Evening or afternoon-tea party (Hist.). 6. (Also ~fish) kinds of American fish able to make drumming noise. 7. ~fire, heavy continuous rapid artillery fire usu. heralding infantry

attack; ~head, skin or membrane of ~ (~head *cover¹* martial), membrane across ~ of ear, circular top of capstan; ~major, N.C.O. commanding drummers of regiment; ~stick, stick with knob or pad for beating ~, lower joint of cooked fowl's leg. [cf. Du. *trom*, & MHG *trumme* orig. trumpet]

drüm², v.i. & t. (-mm-). Play the drum, whence ~m'ER¹ n., player of drum, *commercial traveller; beat, tap, or thump, continuously on something (on piano, at door; feet ~ on floor; a ~ming in the ears); (of birds, insects) make loud hollow noise with quivering wings; summon, beat up, as by ~ming; ~ out, cashier by beat of drum; drive (person) into apathy etc., (lesson) into person, by persistence; strike (hands etc.) repeatedly (up)on something; play (tune etc.) on or as on drum. [f. prec.]

drüm³, **drüm'lin**, nn. (geol.). Long oval mound of drift or diluvial formation. [f. Gael. & Ir. *drüim* ridge; -lin perh. for -LING¹]

Drümm'ond light (lit), n. Limestone or oxyhydrogen light. [Capt. T. *Drummond*, inventor c. 1825]

drünk, pred. a. & n. (also p.p. of DRINK¹). 1. Intoxicated, overcome with liquor, (heavily, blind, dead, half, etc., ~; ~ as a fiddler or lord; also fig., ~ with joy, success, rage); hence ~ARD n. 2. n. (sl.). Drinking-bout, drunken fit; (from police charge-sheets) case of drunkenness (hence gon.) man charged with drunkenness, drunken man. [p.p. of DRINK¹]

drünk'en, a. (rarely pred., cf. prec.). Intoxicated; given to drinking, often drunk; caused by or exhibiting drunkenness (~ frolic, brawl). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [as prec., see -EN¹]

drupe (-öb-), n. Stone-fruit, fleshy or pulpy fruit enclosing stone or nut with kernel, as olive, plum, cherry. Hence **drupa'**CEOUS (-öbä'shus) a. [f. L f. Gk *druppa* over-ripe (olive)]

drup'el (-öb-), **drupe'lét** (-öbpl-), nn. Small drupe in compound fruit, as blackberry. [-EL, -LET]

druse¹ (-öbz), n. Crust of crystals lining rock-cavity, cavity so lined. [G. f. Boh. *drusa*]

Druse² (-öbz), n. Member of political & religious sect of Mohammedan origin about Mt Lebanon. [Ismail al-Darazi, founder 1040]

dry¹, a. (*drier*, -est). 1. Without moisture (~ eyes, free from tears; ~ shampoo, applied as powder); not rainy, with deficient rainfall. 2. Parched, dried up, (colloq.) thirsty, (of liquid) having disappeared by evaporation, draining, wiping, etc.; (of country, legislation, etc.) teetotal, prohibiting sale of intoxicants (go ~, accept such legislation). 3. Not yielding water, milk, etc. (cow, well, is ~). 4.

Without butter (~ *bread, toast*). 5. Solid, not liquid, (~ *goods*, see below; ~ *measure*, measure of capacity for these). 6. (Of wine) free from sweetness & fruity flavour. 7. Unconnected with liquid (*die a ~ death*, not by drowning or bloodshed; ~ *cough*, without phlegm; || ~-BOB⁶). 8. Impassive, unsympathetic, stiff, hard, cold, (~ *jest, sarcasm, humour*, expressed in matter-of-fact tone with show of unconscientiousness). 9. Meagre, plain, bare, not enlarged upon, (~ *facts, thanks*); uninteresting, dull, unprofitable. 10. Untinged by prejudice or interest (~ *light*). 11. ~ *bulb thermometer*, one of pair in hygrometer with wet & ~ bulbs; ~ *clean*, clean (clothes etc.), by means of spirit etc., without using water, so ~ *cleaner, -cleaning*; ~ *cooper*, maker of casks for ~ goods; ~ *cure*, cure (meat etc.) without pickling in liquid; ~-DOCK⁴; ~-fly a. & v.l., (fish) with fly floating lightly on water; ~ *goods*, non-liquid goods, as corn, also (esp. U.S.) drapery, mercery, haberdashery; ~ *lodging*, without board; ~ *nurse*, tending but not suckling child, (v.t.) bring up by hand; ~ *pile*, electric pile or battery in which no liquid is used; ~ *plate*, photographic plate with sensitized film hard & ~ for convenience of keeping, developing at leisure, etc.; ~ *point*, needle for engraving without acid on bare copper plate (also v.l., use this process, & n., engraving produced so); ~ *rot*, decayed state of wood not exposed to air caused by fungi, also the fungi, (fig.) unsuspected moral or social decay; ~-salt v.t., = ~ *cure*; ~ *salter(y)*, dealer, dealing or shop that deals, in drugs, dyes, gums, oils, pickles, tinned meats, etc.; ~-shod a. or adv., without wetting the feet; ~-walling (without mortar). Hence dri'ER¹ (2) a., dri'LY¹ (or ~'ly) adv. (esp. in fig. senses), ~NESS n. [OE *dryge* cf. Du. *droog*, G *trocken*]

dry², v.t. & i. Make or become dry by wiping, evaporation, draining, etc.; cause (cow) to cease giving milk; ~ *up*, make utterly dry, (of moisture) disappear utterly, (of well etc.) cease to yield water, (colloq., esp. in imperat.) cease talking or doing something. Hence dri'ER¹ (1, 2) (or ~'er) n., (also) substance mixed with oil-paints to expedite ~ing. [OE *drygean* (*dryge* DRY²)]

dry'ad, n. Nymph inhabiting tree, wood-nymph. [f. L f. Gk *druas* -ados (*drus* tree)]

Dry'asduſt (-az-), n., d-, a. Dull laborious antiquary or historian; (adj.) very dry, uninteresting. [Dr ~, fictitious person (*dry as dust*) to whom Scott dedicated]

'det, clipping of *wouldst, hadst*.

dū'd, a. (Incorrect for) DYAD.

dū'd, a. & n. 1. Of two, twofold, divided

in two, double, (~ *ownership, skirt*); the D~ *Monarchy*, former Austro-Hungarian Empire. 2. (Gram.) ~ *number* or ~, inflected form proper to two persons or things (additional to *singular & plural*). So dū'al'ITY n., ~-ITY³ v.t., ~LY³ adv. [f. L *dualis* (*duo* two, -AL)]

dū'alin, n. Powerful explosive of nitre, nitroglycerin, & sawdust. [prec. (dual nitre) + -IN]

dū'alism, n. Duality; use of dual number; theory recognizing two independent principles (mind & matter, cf. *idealism & materialism*; good & evil in the universe; two personalities in Christ), so ~-IST (2) n., ~-is'tic a., ~-is'tically adv. [DUAL + -ISM]

|| dūb¹, n. Deep pool in northern streams; a puddle (sl.). [?]

dūb², v.t. (-bb-). 1. Make (person) into a knight by striking shoulders with sword; invest with (new title), name, nickname, (person or thing, with complement; ~ *bed me Doctor, quack, a scribbler*). 2. Dress (artificial fishing-fly). 3. Smear (leather) with grease. [perh. f. OF *aduber*, com.-Rom. cf. It. *addobbare*, etym. dub.]

dūbb'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp., prepared grease for leather (also dūbb'in). [-ING¹]

dūb'i'etý, n. Feeling of doubt; doubtful matter. [f. LL *dubietas* (*dubius* doubtful, -TY)]

dūb'ious, a. Indistinct (~ *light*), vague, unreliable (~ *friend*), of questionable value or truth (a ~ *compliment*); of doubtful issue (~ *undertaking, struggle*); of suspected character (~ *gains, company*); hesitating, doubting. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *dubiosus* (*dubius* doubtful, -OSE¹)]

dūbita'tion, n. Doubt, hesitation. [F, f. L *dubitatio* (*dubitare* DOUBT², -ATION)]

dūb'itative, a. Of, expressing, inclined to, doubt or hesitation. Hence ~LY³ (-vl-) adv. [f. L *dubitativus* as prec. + -IV²]

dūc'al, a. Of, like, bearing title of, duke. [F, f. LL *ducalis* (*dux* DUKE, -AL)]

dūc'at, n. Gold coin about 9s., formerly current in most European countries; coin, (pl.) money. [F, f. It. *ducato* f. LL *ducatus* DUCHY (prob. named from Duke of Apulia 1140)]

Duce (dōo'chā), n. Chief (*Il, or the*, ~, Mussolini as Fascist leader). [It., f. L *dux* *ducis*]

dūch'ess, n. Duke's wife or widow; lady holding a duchy in her own right; imposing woman; || (sl.) cooſtermonger's wife (abbr. *dūch*). [F' (-e), f. LL *duciſſa* (DUKE, -ESS¹)]

ducheſſe (dōbſhēſ), n. Kind of satin; ~ *lace*, kind of Brussels pillow-lace. [F, = *duchesse*]

dūch'y, n. Territory of reigning duke or duchess; royal dukedom of Cornwall or Lancaster, each with certain courts of its own. [f. OF *duché* f. LL *ducatus* (*dux* DUKE, -AT²)]

duck¹, n. (pl. often ~ collective; also ~s). 1. Kinds of swimming-bird, esp. the domesticated form of the mallard or wild-~ (like ~ in *thunderstorm*, with up-turned eyes, looking flabbergasted, faint, etc.; like water off ~'s back, producing no effect; take to anything like ~ to water; fine day for young ~s, rainy weather; lame ~, disabled person, defaulter on Stock Exchange; in two shakes of ~'s tail, in an instant; female of this (cf. *DRAKE*²); its flesh. 2. Darling (esp. in voc.), whence ~Y² n. (also ~y diamond). 3. (Cricket; also ~'s-egg) batsman's score of 0. 4. *Bombay* ~, BUMMALO; ~ & drake, game of making flat stone skip along water (make ~s & drakes of, play ~s etc. with, squander); ~bill, red wheat, also ~-billed PLATYPUS or ORNITHORHYNCHUS; ~boards, narrow path of wooden slats in trench or over mud; ~hawk, marsh harrier; ~shot, of size for shooting wild ~; ~weed, plant that carpets surface of still water. Hence ~LING²(2) n. (UGLY ~ling). [OE *duce* cogn. w. foll.]

duck², v.i. & t., & n. 1. Plunge, dive, dip head, under water & emerge; bend quickly, bob, to avoid blow etc. or by way of bow or curtsy; plunge (person etc.) momentarily in water, or abs., whence ~ING²(1) n. (~ing-stool, chair at end of oscillating pole, formerly used for ~ing scolds and other objectionable persons; lower (head) suddenly. 2. n. Quick dip below water in bathing, or lowering of head. [ME *d(ou)ke* f. OE **dūcan* com.-WG cf. G *tauchen*]

duck³, n. Strong untwilled linen or cotton fabric for small sails & outer clothing esp. of sailors; (pl.) trousers of this. [prob. f. Du. *doeck* = G *tuch* cloth]

duck⁴, n. (colloq.). Amphibious landing craft. [f. DUKWS, official designation.]

duck^{er}¹, n. Kinds of diving-bird, esp. dabchick & water ouzel. [DUCK¹, -ER¹]

duck^{er}², n. Breeder of ducks. [DUCK¹, -ER²]

duct, n. Conduit, tube, for conveying liquid; tube or canal in body conveying chyle, lymph, or secretions (named from function, as *biliary* ~, or from discoverer, as *Eustachian* ~, ~s of Bellini); vessel of plant's vascular tissue holding air, water, etc. Hence ~LESS a. (~less glands, of which the secretion is not carried off by a ~, but acts directly on the blood). [f. L *ductus* leading, aqueduct (*ducere* *duct-*lead)]

ductile, a. (Of metals) malleable, flexible, not brittle, (in technical use) capable of being drawn out into wire, tough; plastic (of clay etc., or of person or character), pliable, tractable, docile. Hence *ductile* n. [f. f. L *ductilis* (*ducere* see *proo.*, -II)]

dūd, n. & a. (sl.). 1. (Pl.) clothes, rags; (sing.) scarecrow (also ~man), shell etc.

that fails to go off, futile plan or person. 2. adj. Counterfeit, useless, unsatisfactory, futile. [f]

dūde, n. (sl.). Fastidious aesthetic person, often imitating English speech, dress, & manners; dandy, swell. Hence *dūd*'*is*¹ a. [f]

dūdg'eon (-jn), n. Resentment, feeling of offence, (usu. in ~). [etym. dub.; obs. *dudgeon* hilt may be same word or not]

dud(h)een' (dōb-), n. (Ir.). Short clay pipe. [f]

dūe¹, a. & adv. 1. Owing, payable, as a debt or obligation (*fall, become* ~, as bill reaching maturity); that ought to be given to person (*first place is ~ to Milton, it is ~ to him to say*), merited, appropriate (*has his ~ reward*), rightful, proper, adequate (*after ~ consideration*), to be looked for, calculated or foreseen (*in ~ time*); to be ascribed to cause, agent, etc. (*the difficulty is ~ to our ignorance; the discovery is ~ to Newton*); the advl use for owing, as *I came late ~ to an accident, is incorrect*; under engagement to do something (*is ~ to speak tonight*) or to arrive at certain time (*train ~ at 7.30, already ~ & over* ~). 2. adv. (Of points of compass) exactly, directly, (*went ~ east, a ~ N. wind*). [f. OF *deū* (p.p. of *devoir* owe) f. LL *debutus* for L *debitus* (*debēre* owe)]

dūe², n. Person's right, what is owed him, (*give one, esp. the devil, his ~, not be unjust to him, even though he deserves little or is no friend*); what one owes (*pay one's ~s*); (usu. pl.) toll, fee, legally demandable (*harbour, light, tonnage, university, ~s*); (Naut.) for a full ~, for good, thoroughly, completely. [f. *prec.*]

dū'él, n., & v.i. (-ll-). 1. Fight with deadly weapons between two persons, in presence of two seconds, to settle quarrel (*the ~, ~ling & its code of rules*); any contest between two persons, animals, parties, causes; hence ~IST¹(1) n. 2. v.i. Fight ~s). [f. f. med.L sense of arch. L *duellum* (duo two) orig. form of *bellum* war; for *duel* -bel- of. III]

dūēnn'a, n. Elderly woman acting as governess & companion in charge of girls (orig. & esp. in Spanish family); chaperon. [f. Sp. *dueña* f. L *domina* mistress]

dūēt, -tt, n. Musical composition for two voices or performers; (fig.) dialogue, scolding-match; pair, couple. Hence *dūēt*'*ist*(1) n. [f. It. *duetto* dim. of *duo* duet f. L *duo* two]

|| **dūff**¹, n. (Dial. etc. for) DOUGH; FLUX ~.

dūff², v.t. (sl.). Fake up (goods), give look of newness etc. to, (|| ~ing, counterfeit); (Austral.) steal & alter brands on (cattle); (Golf) mis-hit (shot, ball). [perh. back-formation f. *DUFFER*]

dūff'el, **dūff'le**, n. Coarse woollen cloth with thick nap; sportsman's, camper-out's, change of clothes; [*Duffel* in Brabant]

düff'er, n. || One who sells trash as valuable, pretending it to be smuggled, stolen, etc.; || pedlar, hawk; faker of sham articles; counterfeit coin, picture, etc.; || unproductive mine; thing of which no use can be made; inefficient, useless, or stupid person. [etym. dub.; first sense a century older than last, & than *duff*¹]

düg¹, n. Udder of female mammals, also teat, nipple, (not now used of women exo. contempt.). [cf. Sw. *dægga* suckle]

düg². See *DIG¹*.

düg'öng (dö-), n. (pl. often ~). Large herbivorous mammal of Indian seas. [f. Malay *duyong*]

düg-out, n. Canoe made by hollowing tree-trunk; underground shelter esp. for troops in trenches; || (sl.) retired officer etc. recalled to service.

duik'er, duy-, (dik-), n. Small S.-African antelope. [Du. *duiker* (in full *duikerbok*)]

duke, n. 1. (Hist.) provincial military commander under later Roman emperors; (Bibl.) chief of tribe. 2. (In some parts of Europe) sovereign prince ruling duchy or small State; (Gt Britain & some other countries) person holding highest hereditary title of nobility outside royal family (also *royal* ~, ~ who is also royal prince, with precedence); DINE with *D* ~ *Humphrey*. 3. Kind of cherry. 4. (sl.) Hand, fist. [f. F *duc* f. L *dux* *ducis* leader]

duke'dom (-kd-), n. Territory ruled by, dignity of, duke. [-DOM]

Dük'erries (-iz), n. pl. District in Notts. containing several ducal estates. [-ERY]

Dul'ög (dö-), n. Camp for prisoners of war in transit. [G]

dül'cét, a. Sweet, soothing, (esp. of sounds). [f. F *doucet* dim. of *doux* f. L *dulcis* sweet]

dül'cify, v.t. Sweeten, make gentle, Hence ~FICA'TION n. [f. L *dulcificare* (*dulcis* sweet, -FY)]

dül'cimer, n. Musical instrument with strings of graduated length over sounding board or box struck with hammers, prototype of piano. [f. OF *doulcimer* perh. f. L *dulce melos* (not found in required sense) sweet tune]

Dülciné'a (or -sín'ia), n. Idolized & idealized mistress. [name of Don Quixote's mistress]

düll, a., & v.t. & l. 1. Slow of understanding, obtuse, stupid, whence ~ARD n.; (of ears, eyes, etc.) without keen perception; (of inanimate things) insensible; (of pain etc.) indistinctly felt; sluggish, slow-moving, stagnant, (of person, animal, trade); (of goods, stocks) not easily salable, not in demand; listless, depressed; tedious, monotonous; blunt (esp. of edge); (of colour, light, sound, taste) not bright, vivid, or keen; (of weather) overcast, gloomy; hence ~ISH¹

a., **dük(l)'ness** n., **dül'ly¹** (dül-l) adv. 2. vb. Make ~ (~ the edge of, blunt, make less sensitive, interesting, effective); lose force, intensity, clearness, or keenness. [ME, cf. OE *dol*, also G *toll* mad]

dülse, n. Edible kind of sea-weed. [f. Ir. & Gael. *duileasg*]

dül'y, adv. Rightly, properly, fitly; sufficiently; punctually. [DUE¹ + -LY¹]

du'ma (dö-), n. Russian parliament, 1906-17. [previously name of elective municipal councils]

dümb¹ (-m), a. (compar. & superl., pron. -mer, -mist). Unable to speak, abnormally (of human beings; the ~, the deaf & ~, as nouns) or normally (~ animals, used in pity or contempt); inarticulate, having no voice in government etc., (the ~ millions); silenced by surprise, shyness, etc. (esp. *strike* ~; ~ in mixed company); taciturn, reticent, (*Nature is ~ on the point*; *English a ~ people*); *stupid; without speech (~ *crambo*; ~ *show*, significant gestures, part of play given in early drama without words); unheard, giving no sound; without the voice, sound, or other property, usual in things of the name (~ *piano*, set of keys for exercising fingers; ~-waiter, || an upright with revolving shelves enabling waiter to be dispensed with in dining-room, *food-lift; || ~ *barge*, craft, without sails or motive power; ~-bell, short bar with weight at each end used in pairs for exercising muscles, v.l., use these; ~ *well*, sunk merely to carry off surface water); ~-iron, one of the two curved forward ends of the side-members of a motor-car chassis. Hence ~LY¹ (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mn-) n. [com.-Teut.; OE *dumb*, cf. Du. *dom*, G *dumm*, stupid]

dümb², v.t. Make dumb. [f. prec.]

dümbfound¹ (-mf-), v.t. Strike dumb, confound, nonplus. [*dumb*, *confound*]

|| **düm'bledore** (-ld-), n. (dial.). Bumblebee; cockchafer. [?]

düm'düm, a. & n. ~ (bullet), kind of soft-nosed bullet that expands & inflicts laceration. [D~ in India, with cantonment & arsenal]

dümm'y, n. & a. 1. (Whist) imaginary fourth player whose hand is turned up & played by partner (~ *whist* or ~, game so played; *double* ~, game with two such hands); (Bridge) the partner of the player who makes the first call in the accepted declaration, or his (exposed) hand. 2. Person taking no real part, or present only for show, figurehead, mere tool, man of straw; dolt, blockhead. 3. Counterfeit object, sham package etc., clothes-block, lay figure, man's figure as target; baby's Indian rubber teat; *sell the* ~ (Rugby football), deceive opponent by feigning to pass ball. 4. adj. Sham. [DUMB¹ + -Y¹]

dümp¹, n. || Short thick object of various kinds; || leaden counter used in games;

obs. Australian coin, (sl.) small coin (*not worth a ~*); || kind of bolt in ship-building; rope quoit for game on board ship; kind of skittle; kind of sweetmeat; short stout person. [prob. back-formation f. DUMPY]
dūmp², v.t. & i. & n. 1. Shoot, deposit, tilt down, (rubbish); let fall with a bump; (Commerc.) send (goods unsalable at high price in home market) to foreign market for sale at low price, to avoid lowering home price & capture new market; drop down (t. & i.) with a thud; land (superfluous immigrants) in foreign country; hence ~'ER¹ n. 2. n. Dull blow, thud; heap of refuse, place for shooting this; (Mil.) temporary depot of munitions. [cf. Da. *dumpe*, Norw. *dumpa*, fall plump]
dūmp³**ling**, n. Mass of dough boiled or baked either plain or enclosing apple etc. [cf. LG *dump* damp, heavy, & see -LING¹]
dūmps, n. pl. Depression, melancholy, (usu. in the ~). [f. 1523; etym. dub.]
dūm⁴**p****i****y**, a. & n. 1. Short & stout (~ *y level*, kind used in surveying); hence ~INESS n. 2. n. || Short-legged Scotch breed of fowls. [etym. dub.; earlier than DUMP¹]
dūn¹, a. & n. (Of) dull greyish-brown colour as of ass or mouse (~ *bird*, || poacher; ~ *diver*, || female or young male of goosander); (poet.) dark, dusky; ~ horse; kinds of artificial fishing-fly. [OE, cf. Ir. & Gael. *donn*, W *dun*]
dūn² n., & v.t. (-nn-). 1. Importunate creditor; debt-collector; demand for payment. 2. v.t. Importune for payment of debt; pester. [perh. var. of DIN]
dūnce, n. One slow at learning, dullard, (~'s cap, paper cone put on head of ~ at school). [f. John *Duns* Scotus, schoolman, d. 1308, whose followers were ridiculed by 16th-c. humanists and reformers as enemies of learning]
dūn³**der****head** (-ēd), n., **dūn**⁴**der****headēd** (-ēd-), a. Blockhead, stupid (person). [?]
Dūndrear⁵**y**, n. ~ *whiskers*, long side whiskers worn without beard. [~, character in T. Taylor's comedy *Our American Cousin*]
dūne, n. Mound or ridge of loose sand on coast. [F, f. ODu. *dūna* = OE *dūn* DOWN¹]
dūng, n., & v.t. 1. Manure; excrement of animals (rarely of man; ~ *beetle*, whose larvae develop in ~; ~ *fly*, feeding in it; ~ *worm*, found in cow~ & used as bait; ~ *cart*, *fork*, for conveying, loading, & spreading, manure); moral filth. 2. v.t. Manure (land); of farmer, grazing animals, or the manure). [OE, cf. G *dung*, *dunger*, manure, & Sw. *dymga* dung]
dūng⁶**aree** (-ng-), n. Coarse Indian calico; (pl.) overalls etc. of ~. [f. Hind. *dungri*]
dūn⁷**geon** (-jn), n., & v.t. (Now usu. *donjon*) great tower of castle in innermost court or bailey; strong subterranean cell for prisoners; (vb) shut up, imprison in

~. [f. F *donjon* f. LL *dominionem* nom. -o f. *domnus* for L *dominus* lord; doublet of DOMINION]
dūng⁸**hill**, n. Heap of dung or refuse in farmyard (*cock on his own ~*, household, parish, etc., tyrant or bully; ~ *cock* etc., barn-door not game, whence ~ as adj., craven).
dun⁹**i****wāssal** (dō-), n. (Sc.). Highland gentleman of secondary rank. [Gael. *duine* man, *uasal* noble]
Dūnkirk¹⁰, n. (Scene of) evacuation of a defeated army by sea like that of the British from ~ in May 1940. [port in France]
dūn¹¹**lin**, n. Red-backed sand-piper. [-LING¹]
dūnn¹²**age**, n. Mats, brushwood, gratings, etc., stowed under or among cargo to prevent moisture & chafing. [earlier *din*, etym. dub.]
dūnn¹³**ock**, n. Hedge-sparrow. [DUN¹, -OCK]
dūnt, n. Blow given to aircraft by a vertical current of air suddenly encountered. [orig. Sc., prob. var. of DINT]
dū¹⁴**o**, n. (In music-hall usage) pair of artistes (*comedy* ~). [L. = two]
dūodē¹⁵**cimal**, a. & n. Of twelve or twelfths, proceeding by twelves; (n. pl.) cross-multiplication, method used for dimensions given in feet, inches, & twelfths of inch, used by quantity surveyors etc. [f. L *duodecimus* twelfth + -AL]
dūodē¹⁶**cimō**, n. (usu. 12mo). Book-size in which each leaf is 1/12 of printing-sheet; book of this size; diminutive thing or person. [L (in) *duodecimo* abl. see prec.]
dūodēn¹⁷**ar****y**, a. Proceeding by twelves, in sets of twelve. [f. L *duodenarius* (duo-) den twelve at once, -ARY¹]
dūodēn¹⁸**um**, n. (anat.). First portion of small intestine immediately below stomach. Hence ~AL a., ~ITIS (-it-) n. [med. L (*duodeni* see prec., from its length of 12 in.)]
dū¹⁹**ologue** (-ōg), n. Conversation between two persons, dramatic piece with two actors. [irreg. f. Gk *duo* two, after *monologue*]
duōm²⁰**ō** (dw-), n. (pl. ~s). Italian cathedral. [It.]
dūp²¹**e**, n., & v.t. 1. Victim of deception, gull; hence ~ERY(2) n. 2. v.t. Cheat, make a fool of; hence ~ABLE a., ~ABLITY, ~ER¹, nn. [F, etym. dub.]
dū²²**ple**, a. Double (now only in: ~ *ratio*, that of 2 to 1; ~ *time*, *rhythm*, of two beats to the bar). [f. L *duplus* (duo two, -plus f. ple- fill)]
dūp²³**l****ex**, a. Of two elements, twofold, (~ *gas-burner*, with two jets combining into one flame; ~ *lamp*, with two wicks); ~ *telegraphy*, by which one wire transmits messages both ways at once. [L, gen. -plicis (duo two, plic- fold)]

dūp'licate¹, a. & n. 1. With two corresponding parts, existing in two examples; doubled, twice as large or many; ~ *proportion*, *ratio*, proportion of squares in relation to that of their radicals; exactly like a thing already existing (of any number of copies or specimens). 2. n. One of two things exactly alike, esp. that made after the other; second copy, with equal legal force, of letter or document; second copy of bill drawn in two parts, second of exchange; pawnbroker's ticket; one of two or more specimens of thing exactly or virtually alike; synonym; exact correspondence between two things (*made in* ~). [f. L as foll., -ATE²]

dūp'licate², v.t. Double, multiply by two; make in duplicate, make exact copy of, produce copies of, whence ~*ATOR*² (2) N. Hence ~*ATION* n. [f. L *duplicare* (DUPLEX, -ATE³)]

dūpl'city, n. Double-dealing, deceitfulness; doubleness. [f. F *duplicité* f. L *duplicitatem* (DUPLEX, -ITY)]

dūr'able, a. Lasting, not transitory; resisting wear, decay, etc. Hence *dūra-bil'ity*, ~*leness* (-in-), nn., ~*LY*² adv. [F, f. L *durabilis* (*durare* f. *durus* hard, -ABLE)]

dūrāl'ūmin, n. An aluminium alloy remarkable for its strength and hardness, used for aircraft etc. [P, f. *Dür(en)* in Prussia + ALUMIN(IUM)]

dūr'a māt'er, n. (anat.). Tough outer membrane enveloping brain & spinal cord. [med. L, = hard mother, transl. of Arab. phrase]

dūrām'en, n. Heart-wood of exogenous tree. [L, f. *durare* harden]

dūr'ance, n. Imprisonment (usu. in ~ *vile*). [earlier sense *endurance*; F (*durer* last f. L *durare* see DURABLE, -ANCE)]

dūrā'tion, n. Continuance in, length of, time; time for which thing continues (*for the* ~, phr. common in war-time contracts). [obs. F, f. LL *durationem* (prec., -ATION)]

dūr'b'ar, n. Indian ruler's court; public levee of Indian prince or Anglo-Ind. governor or viceroy. [f. Pers. & Hind. *darbar* court]

dūr'ess(e) (or *dūrēs*), n. Forceful restraint, imprisonment; compulsion, esp. imprisonment, threats, or violence, illegally used to force person to do something (*under* ~; *plea* of ~, for voiding contract so made). [obs. F (-e), f. L *duritia* (*durus* hard, -ESS³)]

dūr'ian (door?), n. E.-Indian tree bearing a large oval fruit containing pulp notable for its fetid smell and agreeable taste; its fruit. [Malay, f. *duri* thorn (from prickly rind)]

dūr'ing, prep. Throughout, at some point in, the continuance of. [part. of obs. *dure* *hag*, used in abs. construction after F f. L; *durā* *durante*, OF *vic* *durant*, E *tho* ~ or ~ *tho*]

dūrm'ast (-ah-), n. Kind of oak. [etym. dub.; cf. *mastr* fruit of forest tree]

dūrn, v.t. = DARN¹.

du'r'ra, dh-, (dōō-), n. Indian millet. [f. Arab. *durrah*]

dūst. See DARE.

dūsk, n., a., & v.i. & t. 1. Shade, gloom; darker stage of twilight. 2. adj. (poet.). Shadowy, dim, dark-coloured, ~*ISH*¹ a., & (in ordinary use) ~*ILY*² adv., ~*INESS* n. 3. vb. (poet.). Become, look, make, dim or dark or shadowy. [n. f. much earlier adj. ME *doec* f. OE *dox*, cf. Norw. *dusk* mist]

dūst¹, n. 1. Finely powdered earth or other matter lying on ground or on surfaces or carried about in clouds by wind (*shake off the* ~ of one's feet, depart indignantly; *throw* ~ in one's eyes, mislead him by misrepresentation or diverting attention from point; *bite the* ~, fall wounded or slain). 2. || Household refuse (~*bin*, ~*hole*, receptacles for this; || ~*man*, scavenger who empties these). 3. Pollen. 4. (With a) cloud of ~ (*what a* ~, a great ~, *make or raise a* ~). 5. Dead person's remains (*honoured* ~; also *in the* ~, dead); the human body, man. 6. Humiliation (*humbled in, to, the* ~). 7. Confusion, turmoil, excitement, row, contest, (~ & *heat*, the burden of a struggle). 8. (sl.). Cash. 9. ~*brand*, disease of corn, smut; ~*cloak*, ~*coat*, ~*gown*, ~*wrap*, ~*cloth*, worn or put over objects to keep off ~; ~*colour*, dull light brown; ~*cover*, ~*jacket*, book's jacket; ~*guard*, in machine, or on bicycle to protect dress; ~*man*, = SANDMAN; ~*pan*, into which ~ is brushed from floor; ~*shot*, smallest-sized shot. Hence ~*LESS* a. [OE *dūst*, cf. MDu. *donst*, & G *dunst* vapour]

dūst², v.t. & i. Sprinkle with dust or powder (intr., of birds, take dust-bath; ~ *the eyes* of, deceive, take in); make dusty; sprinkle (dust, powder); clear of dust by brushing, wiping, or beating (~ *one's jacket*, beat him); clear away (dust etc.), clear furniture of dust. [f. prec.]

dūst'er, n. Cloth for dusting furniture etc.; person who does this. [-ER¹]

dūst'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp. (sl.), thrashing, tossing in storm at-sea. [-ING¹]

dūst'ij, a. Full of, strewn with, finely powdered like, dust; dry as dust, uninteresting; vague, indefinite, (~*y answer*); || (sl.) *not so* ~*y*, fairly good; ~*y miller*, plant auricula, artificial fishing-fly. Hence ~*ILY*² adv., ~*INESS* n. [-Y¹]

Dutch¹, a. & n. 1. (hist.). Of Germany including Netherlands (*High* ~, of Southern Germans; *Low* ~, of Germans of sea-coast, Netherlands, & Flanders). 2. Of the language or people of Holland & Netherlands (~ *school*, of painters distinguished by artistic treatment of everyday subjects; *the* ~, people of Holland

& Netherlands). 3. Coming from Holland, made or invented by the ~, (~ clock, chair, cheese, ROSE, OVEN). 4. Characteristic of or attributed to the ~ (~ AUCTION, COURAGE; talk to one like a ~ uncle, lecture him paternally; ~ wife, frame of canoe etc. for resting the limbs in bed, long bolster similarly used). 5. n. The German language in any of its forms (High ~, German; Low ~, Low German including language of Holland & other northern varieties) (Hist.). 6. Language of Holland & Netherlands (double ~, gibberish). [f. MDu. *dutsch* *Hollandish*, *Netherlandish*, German, = G *deutsch* German, f. OHG *diutisc* popular, vulgar, national, (*diota* people cf. OE *théod*); in E the sense has narrowed f. *Teutonic* to *Hollandish*; in G & Du., from *Teutonic* to *German*]

|| **dütch**¹, n. See DUCHESS.

Dutchman, n. (pl. *-men*, fem. *-woman*). Hollander or Netherlander (or I'm a ~, I'm a ~ if—, forms of positive & negative asseveration); Dutch ship (*flying* ~, spectral ship).

düt'eous, a. Dutiful, obedient, (of person or conduct). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [DUTY + OUS, cf. *beauteous*]

düt'iable, a. Liable to customs or other duties. [-ABLE]

düt'iful, a. Regular or willing in obedience & service. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [foil. + FUL]

düt'y, n. 1. Behaviour due to superior, deference, expression of respect. 2. Payment to public revenue levied on import, export, manufacture, or sale, of goods (CUSTOMS, EXCISE, *duties*), transfer of property (DEATH, PROBATE, *succession*, *stamp*, *duties*), licences, legal recognition of documents, etc. (~ is levied on article or transaction, tax usu. on persons). 3. Moral or legal obligation, what one is bound or ought to do (~ *call*, visit one would rather not but feels bound to pay). 4. Binding force of what is right. 5. Business, office, function, performance of or engagement in those (*on*, *off*, ~, actually so engaged or not), (Eccl.) performance of church services (*look my ~ for me*). 6. (Mech.) measure of engine's effectiveness in units of work done per unit of fuel. 7. *Do ~ for*, serve or pass for (something else); ~paid, -free, of goods on which customs or excise ~ has been paid or is not leviable. [AF *dueté* (no corresp. F) see DUT¹, -TY]

dütüm'vir (-er), n. (pl. ~s, ~f). Member of board of two equal officials. Hence ~ATE¹ n. [L. lit. man of the two]

duvet (see Ap.), n. Eider-down quilt. [F]

|| **düx**, n. (no pl.). Top pupil in class (chiefly Sc.). [L. = leader]

dwäle, n. Deadly Nightshade. [prob. f. Scand. (ON *döl* delay, Sw. *duala* trance)]

dwarf (-örf, n., a., & v.t. 1. Person, animal, or plant, much below ordinary size of species, whence ~ER¹a., ~ishly² adv., ~ishness n., (-örf-). 2. Small supernatural being in esp. Scandinavian mythology skilled in metal-working. 3. adj. Undersized (in many plant names); puny, stunted. 4. v.t. Stunt in growth, or in intellect etc.; make look small by contrast or distance. [com.-Teut.; OE *dweorh*, cf. Du. *dwerf*, G *zwerg*]

dwëll, v.i. (*dwëlh*, & n. 1. Keep one's attention fixed, write or speak at length, (upon) subject (~ upon note, syllable, etc., prolong it). 2. Make one's abode, spend one's time, live, in, at, near, on, etc. (now usu. live in talk). 3. (Of horse) be slow in raising feet, pause before taking fence. 4. n. Slight regular pause for some purpose in motion of machine. [OE *dwellan* lead astray, delay, be delayed, cf. OHG *twellan* retard, MDu. *dwellen* stun; also Skr. *dhur* mislead]

dwëll'er, n. Inhabitant, resident in, on, etc.; horse that DWELLS at fence. [-ER¹]

dwëll'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: place of residence, house; ~house, used as residence, not as office, warehouse, etc.; ~place, = ~. [-ING¹]

dwin'dle, v.i. Become smaller, shrink, waste away; lose importance, decline, degenerate. [obs. *divine*, OE *dwinnan*, cf. ON *dwina*, Du. *verdwijnen*, vanish, + -LE(3)]

dý'ad, n. The number two; group of two, couple; (Chem.) atom, radical, or element, with combining-power of two atoms of hydrogen. Hence **dý'ad'ic** a. [f. L f. Gk *duas* -ad- (duo two, -AD)]

Dý'ák, n. Aboriginal of Borneo. [Malay, = savage]

dýe¹, n. Colour produced by or as by dyeing, tinge, hue, (also fig., *crime*, *scoundrel*, of blackest, deepest, ~); matter used for dyeing, colouring-matter in solution; ~-stuff, -ware, -wood, yielding ~; ~house, -works, where dyeing is done. [OE *déag*]

dýe², v.t. & i. (~d; part. ~ing). Colour, stain, tinge; impregnate (tissue) with colouring-matter (~ in the wool, in grain, while material is in raw state, giving more permanent result); make (thing) such a colour (~ cloth red, a rose colour, etc.); (of material) take colour well, badly, etc. [OE *déagian* (prec.)]

dý'er, n. One who dyes cloth etc. (~s in many names of plants yielding dye, as ~s bugloss, broom, oak). [-ER¹]

dý'ing, n. In vbl senses of DYE²; esp. (attrib.) connected with, at time of, death (~ bed, declaration, wish; ~ oath, made at, or with solemnity proper to, death). [-ING¹]

dyke, See DICH.

dýnám'ic, a. & n. 1. Of motive force (cf. *static*); of force in actual operation (cf.

potential); active, potent, energetic; of dynamics; (Med.) functional (cf. *organic*); (Philos.) accounting for matter or mind as being merely the action of forces, so *dŷn'amism*(3), *dŷn'amist*¹ [-IST(2)] (& see DYNAMICS), nn. 2. n. Energizing or motive force. [f. F *dynamique* f. Gk *dunamikos* (*dunamis* power, -IO)]

dŷnām'ical, a. Of dynamics; of force or mechanical power actively operative; (Theol., of inspiration) endowing with divine power, not impelling mechanically; of dynamism (see prec.). Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

dŷnām'ics, n. pl. used as sing. 1. Branch of mechanics that treats of motion in itself, and of the motion of bodies or matter under the influence of forces (including KINEMATICS and KINETICS; opp. STATICS), whence *dŷn'amist*² [-IST(3)] (& see DYNAMIC) n.; branch (of any science) in which forces are considered (now often with a specific prefix, as in *AERODYNAMICS*). 2. Moving forces, physical or moral, in any sphere. [-IOS]

dŷn'amite, n., & v.t. High explosive of nitro-glycerine mixed with inert absorbent; (vb) shatter with ~. [Gk *dunamis* force, -ITE]

dŷn'amit'er, -ard, nn. User of explosive esp. for revolutionary purposes. So *dŷnām'ic* a., ~ISM(1), ~IST(1), nn. [prec., -ER¹; -ard after F *communard* (-ARD)]

dŷn'amo-, comb. form of Gk *dunamis* power, as in ~electric=of current (formerly *dynamic*) electricity, also =converting mechanical into electric energy.

dŷn'armō, n. (pl. -oes). Machine converting mechanical into electric energy by rotating coils of copper wire in magnetic field. [short for ~electric machine, see prec.]

dŷnamōm'eter, n. Kinds of instrument measuring energy expended by animal, engine, or mechanical force; gauge for telescope's magnifying-power. [DYNAMO-, -METER]

dŷn'ast, n. Ruler, member of a dynasty. [f. LL f. Gk *dunastēs* (*dunamai* be able)]

dŷn'asty, n. Line of hereditary rulers. So *dŷnās'tio* a., *dŷnās'tically* adv. [f. F *dynastie* f. LL f. Gk *dunasteia* lordship (prec.)]

dŷne, n. (physics). Unit of force (the amount that, acting for one second on one-gramme mass, gives it velocity of one centimetre per second). [F, f. st. of Gk *dunamis* force]

dŷs-, pref.=Gk *dus*-bad-, opp. *eu*-good-, chiefly in medical or other scientific words taken f. Gk or made with Gk elements.

dŷs'enterŷ, n. Disease with inflamed mucous membrane & intestinal glands, griping pains, & mucous & bloody evacuations. So *dŷsent'erio* a. [f. OF *dysenterie* f. L f. Gk *dysenteria* (DYS-, *entera* bowels)]

dŷsgēn'ic, a. Exerting a detrimental effect on the race (opp. *EUGENIC*). [f. DYS-+Gk *gen*-produce+IO]

dŷslogis'tic, a. Disapproving, opprobrious, (of sense in which term is used). Hence ~ICALLY adv. [DYS-+(BU)LOG-ISTIC)]

dŷspēp'sia, -sŷ, n. Indigestion. So *dŷs-pēp'tic* a. & n., (person) subject to ~ or the attendant depression. [L, f. Gk *dys*(*pepsia* f. st. of *peōō* cook)]

dŷspnoe'a (-nēa), n. (path.). Difficult breathing. Hence ~IO a. [L, f. Gk *duspnōia* (DYS-, *pnōō* breathe)]

dŷsūr'ia, n. Painful urination. [mod. L, f. Gk *dusouria* (DYS-+*ouron* urine)]

E

E, e, (ē), letter (pl. *E*s, *E*'s). (Mus.) note, & corresp. scale; second-class ship in Lloyd's register.

e-, pref. Shortened form of EX-(1).

each, a. & pron. (Of two or more) every (one) taken separately, as ~ *man has two votes*, ~ *of us has two votes*, *we have two votes* ~, *they cost a penny* ~, ~ *is worse than the one before*; *they hate* ~ *other*, ~ *hates the other*; *sides of two triangles are equal* ~ *to* ~ (a side of one to the corresponding side of the other). [OE has (1) *ēlc* (cf. OHG *eogilich*, G *jeglich*) perh. f. **aiwon* *galikō* ever alike, (2) *gehwile* (cf. OHG *gihwelich*, & see Y- & WHICH), (3) *ēghwile* (cf. OHG *eogihwēlich*, & see AYE)]

eag'er (-g-), a. Full of keen desire; strongly desirous (*to do, for, after, about*, etc.); (of passions etc.) keen, impatient; (arch.) ~ (cold) *atr*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *aigre* keen, f. L *acer* (nom. *acer*)]

ea'gle, n. 1. Large bird of prey, with keen vision & powerful flight; figure of this, esp. as ensign of Roman or French army, or as lectern in church. 2. (Golf) hole played in two strokes under par. 3. *Double ~, coin worth twenty dollars; ~-eyed, keen-sighted; ~-owl, largest European owl. [f. OF *aigle* f. L *aquila*]

eag'lēt, n. Young eagle. [f. F *aiglette* (as prec., see -ET⁴)]

eagre (äg'er, ē-), n. Large tidal wave, esp. in the Humber, Trent, and Severn. [?]

-ean, suf. of adj. & nn. (also -ae-an, -eian), with sense 'of, belonging to, like'; = -AN w. end of stem, usu. Gk -ai(ōs), L -ae(us), or Gk -ei(ōs), L -ei(us); -ae-an chiefly in unfamiliar wds as *Ascræan*, *Achæan*; -eian (apart from Gk & L as *Pompeian* etc.) is used w. E names in -ey, -y, as *Bodleian*, *Rugbeian*; -ean is pron. with ð (*Tacitëan*, *emphyrean*), exc. in familiar adj. as *Prot'e-an*, *Hercul'e-an*, (-ian), but cf. *pygmëan*; some have -ean incorrectly for -ian (*antipodean*), & some vary betw. the two (*Aristotelean*, -ian).

ear¹, n. 1. Organ of hearing, esp. external part of this; faculty of discriminating sound, as *an ~ for music*; ~shaped thing, esp. handle of pitcher; *bring* (storm, hornets' nest, etc.) *about one's ~s*; *prick up one's ~s*, assume expectant attitude; *I would give my ~s*, make any sacrifice (for a thing, to do); *over head and ~s*, deeply immersed in (lit. & fig.); *set* (persons), *be, by the ~s* (at variance); *a word in your ~s* (in private); *be all ~s* (deeply attentive); *it goes in at one ~ & out at the other*, it leaves no impression; *give ~*, listen to; *have a person's ~* (favourable attention); *were your ~s burning last night?* (we were talking about you); *sent him away with a flea in his ~*, told him some home truths etc. 2. ~ache, pain in drum of ~; ~mark, (n.) mark on ~ of sheep etc. as sign of ownership, (fig.) mark of ownership, (v.t.) mark (sheep etc.) with this, (fig.) assign (fund etc.) to definite purpose; ~phone, = HEADPHONE; ~ring (worn in lobe of ~ for ornament); ~shot, hearing distance, as *within, out of, ~shot*; ~trumpet, tube used by persons partly deaf; ~wax, viscid secretion in ~. Hence (-) ~ED² (-rd), ~LESS, aa. [com.-Teut.; OE *ear*, G *ohr*; cogn. w. L *auris*, Gk *ous*]

ear², n. Spike, head, of corn, containing its flowers or seeds. [OE *ear* (cf. G *dhre*, Du. *aar*), cogn. w. L *acus-eris* husk]

ear'ing, n. (naut.). Small rope (one of several) fastening upper corner of sail to yard. [EAR¹ + ING¹; or = ear-ring]

earl (ērl), n. (fem. *countess*). Nobleman ranking between marquises & viscount (cf. COUNT²); *E~ Marshal*, officer presiding over Herald's College etc. Hence ~DOM (ē-). [OE *eorl*, cf. ON *earl*, *farl*]

earl'y (ē-), a. & adv. Absolutely or relatively near to the beginning of a portion of time, as *an ~ visit*, ~ *risers*, *rise ~*, *keep ~ hours* (rise & go to bed ~), ~ *peaches* (maturing ~ in the year), *E~ English* STYLE, *fix an ~ date* (not long hence), *at your earliest convenience* (as soon as you conveniently can), *the ~ part* (beginning) *of the century*; *the ~ spring*, *morning*, etc., the ~ part of spring etc.; ~ *bird*, (joc.) ~ *riser* (w. ref. to proverb *the ~ bird gets the worm*); ~Victorian a. & n., (writer etc.) of Victoria's ~ reign, antiquated; ~ *door*, theatre door admitting audience before usual hour and at enhanced price; *earlier on*, at an earlier stage, previously (after later on). Hence **earl'iness** (ē-), n. [(adj. f. adv.) OE *drlice* (ar posit. degree of *ēar* ERE, -LY²)]

earn (ērn), v.t. (Of person, action, conduct, etc.) obtain as reward of labour or merit. [OE (*ge-learnian* f. O'Fut. *asndian* (*asnd* field-labour, cf. G *ernite* harvest)]

earn'est¹ (ē-), a. & n. Serious, zealous, not trifling; ardent (*desire* etc.); *in ~*, serious(y), not jesting(ly). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *earneste* a. f. *cornust*

n. (cf. G *ernst*) perh. f. root *ers* seen in *obs. erre* anger]

earn'est² (ē-), n. Money paid as instalment, esp. to confirm contract etc.; fore-taste, pro-seg, betokening. (*is an, in, ~ of what is to come*). [prob. conn. w. *erles*, *arles*(-perny) f. L ⁺*arrhula* dim. of *arrha*]

earn'ing (ē-), n. In vbl senses, esp. (pl.) money earned. [-ING¹]

earth¹ (ē-), n. (pl. only as below). 1. The ground, as *it fell to ~*; (w. pl.) hole of badger, fox, etc.; the dry land; land & sea opp. the sky; this planet; this world opp. heaven or hell (*why* etc. *on ~? why EVERY?*); (w. pl.) soil, mould; (Chem., w. pl.) any of certain metallic oxides, un-inflammable, & having little taste or smell; || (Electr., w. pl.) communication with ~ as completion of circuit. 2. ~born, of mortal race, (Myth.) emerging from ~ at birth; ~-(substitute for WATER¹-) *closet*; ~light, -shine, partial illumination of dark part of moon by light from ~; ~nut, pig-nut & other plants; ~work, bank of ~ used in fortification; ~worm, worm living in ground, (fig.) grovelling person. Hence ~WARD(s) adv. [com.-Teut.: OE *eorthe*, Du. *aarde*, G *erde*]

earth² (ē-), v.t. & i. Cover (roots of plants) with heaped-up earth; drive (fox) to earth; (intr., of fox) run to earth; (Electr.) = GROUND². [f. prec.]

earth'en (ē-), a. Made of earth; made of baked clay. [-EN¹]

earth'enware (ē-), n. (often attrib.). Vessels etc. made of baked clay; baked clay. [WARE¹]

earth'ly (ē-), a. Of the earth, terrestrial; (colloq.) *no ~y use, reason, chance*, no use etc. at all; || *not an ~y* (sl.), no chance whatever. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

earth'quake (ē-), n. Volcanic convulsion of earth's surface; (fig.) social or other disturbance.

earth'y (ē-), a. Like, of, earth or soil; (fig.) grossly material. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

ear'wig, n., & v.t. (-gg-). Insect once held to get into the head through the ear; (v.t.) influence (person) by secret communications. [(vb f. n.) OE *earwicga* (*ēare* EAR¹ + *wicga* ~)]

ease¹ (ēz), n. Freedom from pain or trouble; freedom from constraint, as at one's ~; (Mil.) *stand at ~* (in relaxed attitude, with feet apart); relief from pain; CHAPEL of ~; facility, esp. *with ~*. Hence ~LESS (-zl-) a. [f. OF *aise* (cf. It. *agio* etym. dub.)]

ease² (ēz), v.t. & i. Relieve from pain etc.; give mental ease to (person, oneself, one's mind); (joc.) rob (person of his purse etc.); relax, adjust, (what is too tight); (Naut.) slacken (rope, sail, away, down, off), ~ *her*, reduce speed of engine; (v.l.) ~ *off*, become less burdensome. [f. prec.; F *had aisier* = It. *adagiare*, see *prec.*]]

ease'ful (ēzf-), a. Comfortable, soothing; at rest; slothful. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

ease'el (-z-), n. Wooden frame to support picture, blackboard, etc. [f. Du. *ezel* = G *esel* ass]

ease'ment (-zim-), n. (Law) right of way or similar right over another's ground; supplementary building, shed, etc.; (arch.) relief from pain or burden. [f. OF *aisement* (as *EASE*², -MENT)]

east, adv., n., & a. (Towards, at, near) the point of the horizon where the sun rises (90° to right of North); to the ~ (of), in an eastward direction (from); ~ (wind), wind blowing from the ~; eastern part of the world, orient; altar-end of church (whether truly oriented or not); far E~, China, Japan, etc.; middle E~, (esp.) countries from Egypt to Iran (Persia) inclusive; near E~, Turkey; E~ INDIES; || E~ End, eastern part of London. Hence ~WARD a. & n., ~WARD(s) adv. [OE (1) *eastan* (cf. Du. *oost*, G *osten*) f. OTeut. *austanō* from the east (*aus-* seen in L *aurora* dawn), (2) *east* perh. shortened f. ⁴*easter* eastwards]

Eas'ter, n. Festival of Christ's resurrection, corresponding to Passover, & observed on 1st Sunday (~ day, Sunday) after the first full moon on or after March 21 (also arch. ~tide); (also ~week) week commencing with ~ day; ~ eggs (painted & presented to friends at ~); ~ eve, day before ~ day; ~ offering(s), customary payments made to the incumbent on ~ day (now usually the collection proceeds). [OE *ēastre* perh. f. *Eostre*, dawn-goddess (*aus-*, see prec.)]

east'ly, a. & adv. In an eastern position or direction; (coming) from the east, as ~ wind. [f. obs. *easter* (perh. compar. of *EAST*) + LY¹]

east'ern, a. & n. Of, dwelling in, the east part of the world; E~ Church (Greek); E~ question, political problem relating to E~ Europe, esp. Turkey; lying towards the east; (n.) inhabitant of the East, member of E~ Church. Hence ~MOST a. [OE *ēasterne* (see *EAST* & -ERN)]

east'ing, n. (naut.). Distance to the eastward; easterly direction. [-ING¹]

ease'y (-z-), a., adv., & n. 1. Free from pain, discomfort, annoyance, anxiety, etc.; ~ circumstances, affluence; free from embarrassment or stiffness, as ~ manners, free & ~ (not stiff, not strict); not difficult (to do, or abs.); ~ of access, easily got at; easily persuaded, compliant, (lady of ~ virtue, unchaste); (Comm., of commodity) not much in demand, (of market) not showing eager demand, (of tiger). 2. adv. In ~ manner, as take it ~, proceed comfortably; (as command) ~!, move gently, ~ all!, stop (prop. rowing), whence, on ~, a short rest; || stand ~! (Mil.), permission to squad standing at

ease to relax attitude further. 3. ~ chair, one designed for comfort, usu. with arms; ~going, (of horse) having an ~ gait, (of person) fond of comfort, indolent; ~ mark (colloq.), simpleton; ~ money (not hard to earn). Hence eas'ly² adv., eas'iness n., (-z-). [f. OF *aiste* p.p. of *aister* EASE²]

eat, v.t. & i. (past *ate*, *eat*, pron. ēt; p.p. *eaten*, pron. ētn). Masticate & swallow (solid food); swallow (soup); ~ one's words, retract them in humiliating manner; || ~ one's terms or dinners, be studying for the bar; ~ HUMBLE pie; ~ (person) out of house & home, ruin him by ~ing (lit. & fig.) all he has; horse etc. ~s its head off, costs more to feed than it is worth; well, don't ~ me!, joc. reply to vehement protest etc.; (intr. as pass.) the cakes ~ crisp; destroy, consume, as ~ one's heart out, suffer bitterly; ~ away, destroy gradually (lit. & fig.); ~ up, consume completely, waste, (lit. & fig.), absorb, as ~en up with pride. Hence eat'ABLE a. & n. (usu. pl.). [com.-Teut.: OE *etan*, Du. *eten*, G *essen*]

eat'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~house, restaurant. [-ING¹]

***eats**, n. pl. (sl.). Food. [pl. of obs. *eat*, something edible (OE *æt*), or fresh formation f. vb]

eau (ō), n. ~de-Cologne (ōd'ekolōn'), perfume made at Cologne; ~de-Nil (-denēl'), greenish colour (supposed to resemble Nile water); ~de-vie (-devē'), brandy; ~ sucrée (see Ap.), water and sugar. [F, = water]

eaves (ēvz), n. (now pl.). Overhanging edge of roof or thatch; ~drop, stand under this to listen to secrets; ~dropper, one who does this (usu. fig.). [OE *efes* (cf. dial. G *osen*), prob. f. same root as OVER; -s being now taken as pl. *eave* is sometimes used for sing.]

ebb, n., & v.i. 1. Reflux of tide, as ~ & flow, ~tide; decline, decay, as at a low ~. 2. v.i. Flow back, recede, decline, decay. [OE (*ebbian* vb f.) *ebba* (cf. Du. *eb*, *ebbe*), etym. dub.]

E'-boat, n. Enemy high-speed motor torpedo-boat. [E abbr. of *enemy*]

ēb'on, a. (poet.). Made of, black as, ebony. [f. L f. Gk *ebenos*, perh. of oriental orig.]

ēb'onite, n. = VULCANITE. [f. foll. + -ITE¹]

ēb'on'y, n. & a. 1. Kinds of hard black wood. 2. adj. Made of, black as, this. Hence ~IZ(3) v.t. [ME *hebenyff* f. L *hebeninus* (perh. misread -inus) f. Gk *ebēninos* EBON]

ēbr'ēty, n. (now rare). Drunkenness. [f. F *ēbrité* f. L *ēbrietas* (as foll., see -ry)]

ēb'rious, a. (now rare). Drunk; given to, of, drunkenness. [f. L *ēbrius* + -OUS]

ēbull'ient, a. Boiling; exuberant. So ~NOM, ~NOMY, nn. [f. L *ēbullire* -t-boll, -ENT]

ebullition, *n.* Boiling; effervescence; (fig.) sudden outburst (of passion, war, etc.). [f. *L. ebullitio* (as prec., see -ION)]

écarté (ákárt'á), *n.* Card-game for two persons. [F (*écarter* discard)]

Ec'ce Hōm'ō (éksai), *n.* Picture of Christ wearing crown of thorns. [L, = behold the man (*John* xix. 5)]

éccén'tric (-ks-), *a. & n.* 1. Not concentric (to another circle); not placed, not having its axis etc. placed, centrally; (of orbit) not circular; (of heavenly body) moving in an ~ orbit; irregular; odd, whimsical.

2. *n.* (Mech.) ~ contrivance for changing rotatory into backward-&-forward motion, esp. for slide-valve of steam-engine; odd, whimsical person. Hence **éccén'trically** adv., **éccen'tri'city** *n.* [f. *LL. eccentricus* f. *Gk. ekkentros* (ek out of + *kentron* CENTRE¹), see -IC]

écclē'sia (-z-), *n.* (Gk. Ant.). General assembly (esp. of Athenian citizens), cf. BOULE. [med. L, f. *Gk. ekklesiā* (*ekkaleō* summon); in later Gk = church]

écclē'siāst (-z-), *n.* Member of Athenian ecclesia; 'the Preacher', Solomon (regarded as author of *Eccles.*). [f. *Gk. ekklesiastēs* (as prec.)]

Ecclesiās'tēs (i-, -zi-, -z-), *n.* An O.T. book. [as *ECCLIAST*]

écclesiās'tic (-zi-), *n. & a.* Clergyman; (adj., now rare) = foll. [f. *Gk. ekklesiastikos* (as prec.)]

écclesiās'tical (-zi-), *a.* Of the church or the clergy; || *Ecclesial Commission(ers)*, body administering part of Church of England revenues. Hence or cogn. ~**ally**¹ adv., ~**ism** *n.* [-AL]

Ecclesiās'ticus (i-, -zi-), *n.* A book of the Apocrypha. [as *ECCLIASTICO*, = of (i.e. to be read in) church]

écclesiōl'og'y (-zi-), *n.* Science of churches, esp. of church building & decoration. Hence **écclesiōl'og'ic(al)** *aa.*, ~**ist** *n.*, (-zi-). [f. *ECCLIA* + -O- + -LOGY]

éc'dysis, *n.* (pl. -ses). Casting off (esp. of slough in serpents etc.; also fig.); slough. [f. *Gk. ekdusis* (*ekduō* put off)]

é'chelon (-sh-), *n.*, & *v.t.* Formation of troops in parallel divisions, each with its front clear of that in advance; *in* ~, so drawn up; (*v.t.*) draw up thus. [(*v.b. f. n.*) f. *F. échelon* (*échelle* ladder f. *L. scala*, see -OON)]

échi'd'na (-k-), *n.* Australian toothless burrowing animal like hedgehog. [f. *Gk. echi'dna* viper]

é'chinite (-k-), *n.* Fossil echinoderm or sea-urchin. [f. *ECHINUS* + -ITE¹]

echinodér'm ('kín-, ék'in-), *n.* Class of animals including sea-urchins. (as foll. + **DERM**)

échin'us (-k-), *n.* Sea-urchin, animal inhabiting spheroidal prickly shell. [f. *L. f. Gk. echi'nus* hedgehog, sea-urchin]

éc'hō (-k-), *n.* (pl. -oes). Repetition of sound by reflexion of sound-waves (*cheer*

person etc. *to the* ~, loudly); *E*~, cause of this personified; close imitation; obsequious imitator or adherent; artifice by which last syllables of one verse are taken up by next; conventional indication given to partner at bridge or whist of the number of cards held in suit led etc. Hence ~**less** *a.* [f. *L. f. Gk. ekhō*, conn. w. *ékhe* sound]

éc'hō¹ (-k-), *v.i. & t.* (Of places) resound with an echo; (of sounds) be repeated, resound; (Bridge etc.) play the echo (see prec.); (*v.t.*) repeat (sound) by echo; repeat (another's words), imitate the words or opinions of (person). [f. prec.]

éc'hōl'ism (-k-), *n.* = ONOMATOPOEIA. So ~**ic** *a.* [-ISM]

éc'lair (ák'lār), *n.* Small finger-shaped cake filled with cream and iced. [F]

éclaircissement (see Ap.), *n.* Clearing up, explanation, (of conduct etc.). [F]

éclāmp'sia, *n.* Kind of epileptic convulsions caused by anatomical lesion to which pregnant women are specially liable. [ult. f. *Gk. eklampō* shine forth (visual hallucination being a symptom)]

éclat (éklah'), *n.* Conspicuous success, general applause, as *with great* ~; social distinction. [F]

écléc'tic, *a. & n.* (Ancient philosopher) selecting such doctrines as pleased him in every school; (person) borrowing freely from various sources, not exclusive in opinion, taste, etc. Hence ~**ically** adv., ~**icism** (3) *n.* [f. *Gk. eklektikos* (*ekleipō* pick out, see -IC)]

éclipse¹, *n.* Interception of the light of a luminous body (sun, moon, etc.), by intervention of another body between it & the eye or between the luminous body and what illuminates it; **ANNULLAR**, **PARTIAL**, **TOTAL**, ~; deprivation of light; loss of brilliance or splendour (*in* ~, of birds, having lost the courting plumage); periodical obscuration of lighthouse light. [OF, f. *L. f. Gk. ekleipsis* *vbl. n. f. ekleipō* fail to appear, be eclipsed (*leitpō* leave)]

éclipse², *v.t.* (Of a heavenly body) obscure (another) by passing between it & spectator or between it and the source of its light; intercept (light, esp. of light-house); (fig.) deprive of lustre, outshine, surpass. [f. prec.]

éclip'tic *a. & n.* Of eclipse; (*n.*) sun's apparent orbit. [f. *L. f. Gk. ekleiptikos* (*ECLIPSE*¹, -IO)]

éc'lōgue (-g-), *n.* Short poem, esp. pastoral dialogue, such as Virgil's *Bucolics*. [f. *L. f. Gk. eklogē* selection (*ekleipō* pick out)]

écōl'og'y, **oec-** (ō-), *n.* Branch of biology dealing with living organisms' habits, modes of life, and relations to their surroundings. [f. *Gk. oikos* house, -IOGY]

éconóm'ic, *a. & n.* 1. Of ~s; maintained for profit, on a business footing, paying

expenses, (of rent) high enough to compensate builder, owner, etc.; connected with industrial arts; ~ *botany, geography*, etc., botany etc. studied from the utilitarian standpoint. 2. n. pl. Practical science of the production & distribution of wealth, (also) condition of a country as to material prosperity. [f. L f. Gk *oikonomikos* (see ECONOMY & -IC)]

ēconōm'ical, a. Saving, thrifty, not wasteful (*of*); relating to economics or to political economy. [-AL]

ēconōm'ically, adv. Thriftily; from an economic point of view. [-LY²]

ēcōn'omist, n. Manager (*of* money etc.); thrifty person; writer on economics or political economy. [as ECONOMY + -IST]

ēcōn'omize, v.t. & i. Use sparingly; turn to the best account; (v.i.) practise economy, cut down expenses. Hence ~ATION n. [as foll. + -IZE]

ēcōn'om'y, n. 1. Administration of concerns & resources of a community; *Political E*~, theory of production & distribution of wealth. 2. Frugality; (w. pl.) instance of this. 3. (Theol.) judicious handling of doctrine, whence (with play on sense *frugality*) ~ *of truth*. 4. Organization; organized body, society, etc. [f. L f. Gk *oikonomia f. oikonomos* steward (*oikos* house + *nomos f. nemō* manage)]

ēcru' (-ō, or as *F écru*), n. Colour of unbleached linen. [F, = unbleached]

ēc'stazize, v.t. & i. Throw, go, into ecstasies. [f. foll. + -IZE]

ēc'stas'y, n. Exalted state of feeling, rapture, (esp. of delight); (Med.) morbid state of nerves in which mind is occupied solely by one idea; trance; poetic frenzy. [f. OF *extasie f. med. L f. Gk ekstasis* vbl n. f. *existēmi* put (person) out of (his senses)]

ēcstāt'ic, a. Of, subject to, producing, ecstasies (esp. of joy). Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *ekstatikos* (as prec., see -IC)]

ēc'to- in comb. = Gk *ektos* outside, as, ~*plasm*, (Biol.) outer layer of protoplasm, supposed viscous substance exuding from body of spiritualistic medium during trance; ~*edon*, external parasite.

ēc'todērm, n. (biol.). Outer cellular membrane investing a multicellular animal. [ECTO-, DERM]

-ectomy, suf. f. Gk *ektomē* excision, in surgical terms denoting operations in which some part is removed, as *colectomy*, excision of part of the colon.

ecumenical. See OECUMENICAL.

ēc'zēma, n. Inflammation of the skin, of several kinds. [f. Gk *ekzema* (*ek* out + *zēō* boil, see -M)]

-ed¹, (1) suf. forming p.p. of weak vbs (also -d, -t, as in *sold, bought*); -ed (now reduced in sound to -d or -t except in *-ded, -led*, in some bibl. wds, as *blessed*, & in *learned*) was in OE -ed, -ad, -od, acc. to vb class, ~ alone being the participial element, f.

OTeut. -do- f. Aryan -tō- (cf. Gk vbl adj. -tos, L p.p. -tus); -t is used in vbs that shorten in p.p. a long vowel of stem, as *crept, dreamt* (*dreamed* if pronounced with ē), and in some ending in -d after l, n, r, as *gilt, sent, girl*. (2) p.p. in -ed (and -en) are used (rarely f. intr., commonly from trans. vbs) as adj., meaning when intr. 'that has done so-&-so' (*vanished hand, fallen idol, escaped convict*); a special use, w. resultant force, is seen in *outspoken, well-read*; sometimes it is doubtful whether adj. in -ed are trans. (or intr.) p.p. or belong to foll.: *decayed* may be *that has been decayed, that has decayed*; or *that is affected with decay*; reference to -ED¹(2) is made only for the rare intr. p.p. adj.

-ed¹ (as prec.), suf., distinct f. prec. in OE (-ede), though perh. a form of the p.p. suf. in OTeut. (cf. *caudatus* tailed in L), appended to nn. to form adj. meaning possessed of, affected with, etc., as *talented, wooded, diseased*; esp. used to make adj. out of adj. & n., usu. stressed (apart from demands of context) in attrib. use on first component (*a quick-witted lad, met'-al'-cornered chest*), in pred. use on second (*he seems quick-witt'-ed enough*) exc. where this is more or less otiose (*ru'-by, coff'-ee*, etc., = 'coloured attrib. & pred.'): sometimes = 'having the ways of' instead of simply 'having', as *bigoted, crabbed, dogged*; sometimes indisting. f. prec. (2).

ēdā'cious (-shus), a. (pedant.). Of eating; greedy. So **ēdā'city** n. [f. L *edax -acis* (*edere* eat, see -ACIOUS)]

Ed'ām (ē-), n. Spherical Dutch cheese. [~, in Holland]

Edd'a (ē-), n. (*Older, Poetic*, ~) collection of ancient Icelandic poems; (*Younger, Prose*, ~) miscellaneous handbook (c. 1230) to Icelandic poetry. [perh. f. a name in an ON poem]

ēdd'ý, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Small whirlpool; wind, fog, smoke, moving like this. 2. v.t. & i. Whirl round in ~ies. [f.]

edelweiss (ād'elvis), n. Alpine plant with white flower, growing in rocky places. [f. G *edel* noble + *weiss* white]

Ed'en (ē-), n. Abode of Adam & Eve at their creation; delightful abode; state of supreme happiness. [f. Heb. 'eden orig. = delight]

ēdēn'tāte, a. & n. (Animal) without incisor & canine teeth; toothless (animal). [f. L *ēdentatus f. dens -ntis* tooth, see -ATE³)]

ēdē¹, n. Sharpened side of blade of cutting instrument or weapon; sharpness of this, as *the knife has no ~*; *take the ~ off*, blunt, weaken, dull, (appetite, argument, etc.); *be on ~*, be excited or irritable; *set (person's) teeth on ~*, jar his nerves, affect him with repulsion; ~ shaped thing, esp. crest of a ridge; (fig.)

critical position or moment; meeting-line of two surfaces of a solid; (Skating) *do the inside, outside*, ~, skate on the inner, outer, ~ of skates; boundary-line of surface; brink (of precipice); ~bone, see *ATON-BONE*; ~tool, cutting-tool (in fig. sense also *edged tool*). Hence ~LESS (-l-).
a. [OE *ecg* (cf. Du. *egge* edge, corner, G. *ecke*, *eck*, corner) f. root *ak-* whence L *acies*, Gk *akis*, point.]

edge¹, v.t. & i. Sharpen (tool etc., also fig.); ~on, = *EGG* on; furnish with border, form border to; insinuate, push, (thing, oneself) into, in, out, off, etc.; (v.l.) advance obliquely. [f. prec.]

edge²ways, -wise, (-jwāz, -jwiz), adv. With edge uppermost or foremost; (fig.) *get a word in* ~ (in talkative person's silent interval); (of two things) edge to edge. [-WAYS, -WISE]

edg¹ing, n. In vbl senses, esp. border, fringe; ~shears (for trimming edges of lawn). [-ING¹]

edg²y, a. Sharp-edged; (of painting) of too sharp outline; having one's nerves on edge, irritable. [-Y²]

ed¹ible, a. & n. (Thing) fit to be eaten. Hence *edibility* n. [f. L *edibilis* (*edere* eat, see -BLE)]

ed¹ict, n. Order proclaimed by authority; *E*~ of *Nantes*, issued by Henry IV of France to grant toleration to Protestants, and revoked by Louis XIV. Hence *edictal* a. [f. L *edictum* f. *edicere* dict-say] proclaim]

ed¹ifice, n. Building (esp. large one; also fig.). [f. F *édifice* f. L *aedificium* (*aedis* temple + *ficum* f. *facere* make)]

ed¹ify, v.t. Benefit spiritually; improve morally (often iron.). So *edification* n. [f. F *édifier* f. L *aedificare* (as prec., see -FY)]

ed¹it, v.t. Prepare an edition of (another's work); set in order for publication (material chiefly provided by others); garble, cook, (dispatches etc. in newspaper); act as editor of (paper etc.). [(1) f. L *ēdere* dit- = dare give] put out; (2) back-formation f. *EDITOR*]

ed¹ition, n. Form in which a literary work is published (*library, cabinet, popular*, ~); whole number of copies of book, newspaper, etc., issued from same types & at same time (see also *IMPRESSION*); (fig.) production of the same type, person etc. resembling another (*a more charming ~ of her sister*). [f. F *édition* f. L *editionem* (as *EDIT*, see -ION)]

édition de luxe (see *Ap.*), n. Handsome edition. [F]

ed¹itō *prīn* cēps (-shlō), n. First printed edition of a book. [L]

ed¹itor, n. One who prepares the work of others for publication; one who conducts a newspaper or periodical. Hence ~SHIP, *ed*¹itress¹, nn. [L (as *EDIT*, see -OR²)]

ed¹itor¹ial, a. & n. 1. Of an editor.

2. n. Newspaper article written by or under responsibility of the editor. Hence ~LY² adv. [-IAL]

ed¹uc¹iate, v.t. Bring up (young persons); give intellectual & moral training to; provide schooling for; train (person, oneself, a faculty, to do); train (animals). Hence ~ABLE¹ITY, ~ATOR², nn., ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa. [f. L *educare* conn. w. *EDUCE*, see -ATE²]

ed¹uc¹ation, n. Bringing up (of the young); systematic instruction; course of this, as *classical, commercial, art*, ~; development of character or mental powers; training (of animals). Hence ~AL a., ~(a)LIST(3) nn., ~ALLY² adv., (-shon-). [f. L *educatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

ed¹uce¹, v.t. Bring out, develop, from latent or potential existence; (Chem.) disengage (substance) from a compound; infer (number, principle, from data). Hence *ed¹ucible a. [f. L *educere* duct-lead]*

ed¹uct, n. (Chem.) body disengaged from another in which it previously existed; inference. [as prec.]

ed¹uc¹tion, n. Educating; (in steam-engine) ~pipe, -valve, etc., *EXHAUST*-pipe etc. [f. L *eductio* (as prec., see -ION)]

ed¹ul¹cor¹iate, v.t. Free from acrid properties or from soluble particles, purify. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *edulcorare* f. *dulcor* sweetness f. *dulcis*] see -ATE²

-ee, suf. forming nn. expr. the person affected by the vbl action, corresp. to agent nn. in -or, prop. in legal terms (*lessee, vendee*) on anal. of *AF* (*apelour, apelé*, summoner, summoned), but extended to the indirect obj.; now also in non-techn. wds, & without corresp. -or, as *employee, payee*; & without consciousness of its meaning, as *bargee, absentee*; a few wds are adoptions f. mod. F *-é, -ié*, as *debauchee, refugee*. In *committee* (orig. a person), accent has changed with meaning. *Epopee* is not an instance; in *coatee, -ee* perh. = -Y²; in *settee, goatie, -ee* is unexplained. [AF *-é* of p.p.f. L *-atus*]

eel, n. A snake-like fish; (fig.) slippery creature; (pop.) minute animal found in vinegar & in sour paste; || ~BUCK¹; ~spear (for transfixing ~s). Hence ~Y² a. [com.-Teut.: OE *ēl*, Du. & G *aal*]

e'en. See *EVEN*^{1,2}.

-eer, suf. expr. person concerned with, f. L *-arius* or *-arius* -ARY¹; F *-ier* is retained in the less familiar wds (*muleter* but *bombardier*); -eer is freely used for new nn., as *auctioneer, mountaineer*, often contempt., as *sonneteer*. Vbs are also formed (*electioneer*) by back-formation on *auctioneering* etc.

e'er. See *EVEN*.

eer¹ie, -riy, a. Superstitiously timid; strange, weird. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME *eri*, etym. dub.]

ef-, pref. = EX-(1) before f.

efface', v.t. Rub out; (fig.) obliterate, wipe out; utterly surpass, eclipse; treat, regard, oneself as unimportant. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. F *effacer* f. L *ex* out + *facies* face]

effect', n. Result, consequence (*cause and ~*, causation); efficacy, as of no ~; combination of colour or form in picture etc., as a *pretty ~*; (pl.) property, as *personal ~s*, no ~s (written by banker on dishonoured cheque); *give ~ to*, take ~, make, become, operative; impression produced on spectator, hearer, etc., as *calculated for ~*; *bring to*, *carry into*, ~, accomplish; *in ~*, for practical purposes. Hence ~LESS a. [OF, f. L *effectus* -us f. *efficere* fect- = *facere* make]

effect', v.t. Bring about, accomplish; ~ (take out) a *policy* (of insurance). [f. prec.]

effec'tive, a. & n. 1. Having an effect; ~ *range* (of weapon), range within which it is ~; powerful in effect; striking; (of soldiers or sailors) fit for service; actual, existing. 2. n. ~soldier, ~part of army. Hence ~LY¹ (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *effectivus* (as EFFECT¹, see -IVE)]

effec'tual, a. Answering its purpose; valid. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF (-el) f. LL *effectualis* (EFFECT¹, -AL)]

effec'tuate, v.t. Bring to pass, accomplish. Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *effectuer* (as EFFECT¹), on anal. of ACTUATE]

effem'in/ate, a. Womanish, unmanly; voluptuous. Hence ~ACY n., ~ately² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *effeminare* f. *femina* woman, see -ATE¹]

effen'di, n. Turkish title of respect applied to government officials & members of learned professions. [f. Turk. *efendi* lord, corrupt. of Gk *authéntis* (see AUTHENTIC)]

eff'erent, a. (physiol.). Conveying outwards, discharging. [f. L *efferre* carry, see -ENT]

effervescence', v.l. Give off bubbles of gas, bubble, (often fig. of persons); (of gas) issue in bubbles. Hence ~CENCE, ~CENCY, nn., ~CENT a. [f. L *effervesce* incept. of *fervere* be hot]

effete', a. Exhausted, worn out; feeble, incapable. Hence ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *effetus* worn out by breeding (*fetus*)]

effica'cious (-shus), a. (Of thing) producing, sure to produce, desired effect. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **effic'acy**, nn. [f. L *efficax* (as foll., -ACIOUS)]

effic'ient (-shent), a. Productive of effect; (of persons) competent, capable; ~CAUSE¹, that which makes a thing what it is. Hence or cogn. **effic'iciency** n. (also, Mech.) the ratio of useful work performed to the total energy expended, ~LY² adv., (-shen-) [F, f. L, as EFFECT¹, see -ENT]

effig'ies, a. Portrait, image; hang, burn,

(person) in ~, hang, burn, his image. [f. F *effigie* f. L *effigies* (effingere fashion)]

efflores'ce', v.l. Burst out into flower (lit. & fig.); (Chem., of crystalline substance) turn to fine powder on to air, (of salts) come to the surface & there crystallize, (of ground or wall) become covered with saline particles. So ~CENCE n., ~CENT a. [f. L *efflorescere* FLOURISH]

eff'luence (-lób-), n. Flowing out (of electricity, etc., or fig.); what flows out. [foll., -ENCE]

eff'luent (-lób-), a. & n. 1. Flowing forth. 2. n. Stream flowing from larger stream, lake, sewage tank, etc. [f. L *effluere* flux- flow, see -ENT]

effluv'ium (-lób-), n. (pl. -ia). Exhalation affecting lungs or sense of smell; (supposed) stream of minute particles emitted by magnet etc. [LL, as prec.]

eff'lux, n. Flowing out (of liquid, air, gas; also fig.); that which flows out. Hence **effluv'ion** (-kshon) n. [f. L *effluxus* -us (as prec.)]

eff'ort, n. Strenuous exertion; (of oratory etc.) display of power; (colloq.) something accomplished involving concentration or special activity (*that's a pretty good ~*). [F, f. *efforce* f. med.L *ex(fortiare* f. *fortis* strong)]

eff'ortless, a. Making no effort, passive; (of skill etc.) without effort, easy. [-LESS]

effron'tery (-ünt-), n. Shameless audacity. [f. F *effronterie* f. *effronté* f. L *EX(frontalis* f. *frons* -ntis forehead) shameless]

efful'gent, a. Radiant. Hence ~ENCE n., ~ently² adv. [f. L *effulgere* shine, see -ENT]

effuse' (-s), a. (Bot., of inflorescence) spreading loosely; (Conch.) with lips separated by groove. [as foll.]

effuse' (-z), v.t. Pour forth (liquid, air, light, smell; also fig.). [f. L *effundere* fus- pour]

effu'sion (-zhn), n. Pouring forth (lit. & fig.); unrestrained utterance (often contempt., of literary work). [f. L *effusio* (as prec., see -ION)]

effus'ive, a. (Of speech or emotions) exuberant, demonstrative; (Geol., of an igneous rock) poured out when molten and later solidified. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [as EFFUSE¹, see -IVE]

eft, n. Newt. [OE *efeta* etym. dub.] || **eftsoon(s)'**, adv. (arch.). Soon afterwards. [OE *eftsóna* (see AFT & SOON); -s = -ES]

égád', int. By God. [prob. orig. a ah + God]

Eger'ia (ij-), n. A person's tutelary divinity. [name of a prophetic nymph of Roman legend, Numa's instructress]

egg', n. Spheroidal body produced by female of birds etc. esp. of domestic fowl, containing germ of a new indi-

vidual; **ADDLE**, **WIND**¹, ~; (sl.) bomb or grenade; (fig.) *in the ~*, in an early stage; *as full as an ~*, chock-full; *bad ~*, person, scheme, that comes to no good; *good ~* (sl.), excellent person or thing (also as commendatory exclamation); *as sure as ~s is ~s*, undoubtedly; *teach your grandmother to suck ~s*, offer advice to persons more experienced than yourself; *have all your ~s in one basket*, risk all on a single venture; ~ & *anchor, dart, tongue*, (Archit.) kinds of moulding; ~ & *spoon race* (in which runners carry ~ in spoon); ~ *cleavage* (Biol.), process of cleavage in fertilized ~-shell; ~ *cup* (for holding ~ boiled in shell); ~ *dance*, dance blindfold among ~s, (fig.) intricate task; ~ *flip*, ~ *nog*, hot beer, cider, wine, etc., with ~s stirred in; ~ *plant*, white-fruited *Solanum esculentum*; ~ *shell*, shell of ~, fragile thing (~ *shell china*, very thin kind); ~ *slice*, utensil for taking omelette from pan; ~ *spoon*, small spoon for eating boiled ~s; ~ *tooth*, protuberance on bill-sheath of embryo bird for cracking shell; ~ *whisk*, utensil for beating [com.-Teut.; OE *æg*, Du. & G *ei*]

egg², v.t. Urge (person) *on* (to an act, to do). [f. ON *eggja* = EDGE v.]

egg³**er**, n. Kind of large moth common in Great Britain (also ~ *moth*, oak ~ *moth*). [prob. f. **EGG**¹ + **ER** (owing to egg-like appearance of cocoon)]

egg⁴**lantine**, n. Sweet-briar. [f. *F. églantine* f. OF *églent* prob. f. L *acus* needle, see **-LENT**]

egg⁵**o**, n. (metaphys.). The conscious thinking subject, opp. to the non-ego or object. [L, = I]

egocén^{tr}**ic**, a. Centred in the ego (loosely) self-centred, egoistic. [**EGO** + **centric** (**CENTRE**¹ + **-IC**), after *geocentric* etc.]

egg⁶**o****ism**, n. (Ethics) theory that treats self-interest as foundation of morality: systematic selfishness; self-opinionatedness; = **fol**. Hence ~ **IST** n., ~ **is**^{tr}**ic** (AL) aa., ~ **is**^{tr}**ically**² adv. [f. F *égoïsme* (as **EGO**, see **-ISM**)]

egg⁷**ot****ism**, n. Too frequent use of 'I' & 'me'; practice of talking about oneself self-concoit; selfishness. Hence ~ **IST** n., ~ **is**^{tr}**ic** (AL) aa., ~ **is**^{tr}**ically**² adv., ~ **IZE** v.i. [f. **EGO** + **-ISM**; - **perh.** on F *idiotisme* etc.]

egré^g**ious** (-jus), a. (Arch.) surpassing (mod.) shocking, as ~ *folly*, *blunder*, *ass*. Hence ~ **LY**² adv., ~ **NESS** n. [f. L *Egregius* f. *grex gregis* flock] lit. towering above the flock]

eg⁸**rés**, n. (Right of) going out; (Astron.) end of eclipse or transit; way out (lit. & fig.). [f. L *egressus* -*us* f. L *Egre* (*gress* = *grad*i step)]

eg⁹**rés****ion** (-ahn), n. Going out or forth. [f. L *egressio* (as **prec.**, see **-ION**)]

eg¹⁰**rét** (ég- or ég-), n. Lesser White Heron

feathery down on seeds of dandelion, thistle, etc. [var. of **ALGRETTE**]

gyp¹**tian** (Jip/shn), a. & n. (Native) of Egypt; ~ *pond* (usu. abbr. **ÆE**, as **ÆE10**), coin worth about 20/6; || ~ *printing-type* (thick-stemmed); = **GIPSY**. [-IAN] **Eg**²**yp**³**t**⁴**o****l**⁵**og**⁶**y** (ô-), n. Study of Egyptian antiquities. So ~ **LO**⁷**gist** n. [-o-, -logy] **h** (â), int. expr. Inquiry or surprise, or inviting assent. [ME *ey*]

eid⁸**er** (i-), n. An Arctic species of duck; ~ (-down), small soft feathers from breast of this (~down, also, quilt stuffed with ~down). [ult. f. Icel. *æðr*]

eid⁹**ograph** (i-; -ahf), n. Instrument for enlarging or reducing drawings. [f. Gk *eidos* form + *graphô* write]

eidôl¹⁰**on** (i-), n. (pl. -ons, -a). Spectre, phantom. [ult. f. Icel. *æðr*]

eight (ât), a. & n. One more than seven (8, viii); (Skat.) figure of two adjacent circles; crew of ~ in rowing-boat; || the *E*-s, boat-races at Oxford & Cambridge between such crews; || *have one over the ~* (sl.), get drunk. Hence **eight**¹¹ (âtth) a. & n., ~ **h**¹²**ly**² (âtth-) adv. [com.-Teut. (OE *ahta*, Du. & G *acht*) & Aryan (L & Gk *oc-*, *oktô*, Skr. *ashtau*)]

eighteen¹³ (ât-), a. & n. One more than seventeen (18, xviii); ~ *mo*, = OCTODECIMO. Hence ~ **TH**² a. & n. [OE *æhta* *tatigne*, -*tene* (as **prec.**, see **-TEEN**)]

eight¹⁴**some** (ât-), n. & a. ~ (reel), lively Scottish reel for eight dancers. [-**SOME**]

eight¹⁵**y** (ât-), a. & n. Eight times ten (80, lxxx); *E*-*Club*, Liberal club founded in 1880. Hence **eight**¹⁶**y****ETH** (ât-) a. & n. [OE *æhtatig* (as **EIGHT** + *-tig* decade)]

eirén¹⁷**ic****on** (if-), n. Proposal tending to make peace. [Gk, neut. adj. (*eirénê*) peace, see **-IC**]

eisteddfod (âstêdh'vôd), n. (pl. ~au). Congress of Welsh bards; local gathering for musical competitions etc. [W, lit. = session f. *eistedd* sit]

eis¹⁸**wool** (Is), n. (Also *ice wool*) very fine glossy woven wool of two-thread thickness. [G *eis* ice]

ei¹⁹**ther** (idh-, ê-), adj., pron., & adv. (conj.). 1. Each of two, as at ~ *end was a lamp*, ~ *view is tenable*, ~ *is tenable*; one or other of two, as *put the lamp at ~ end*, *there is no lamp at ~ end*, ~ *if you can go*. 2. adv. or conj. On one or other supposition, which way you will, as *he is ~ drunk or mad*, ~ *come in or go out*; (w. neg. or interrog.) any more than the other, as *if you do not go*, *I shall not ~*. [OE *æghwæðer* f. WG ¹*atwôn* always + *gihwæðar* each of two (see **Y-** & **WHETHER**)]

ê²⁰**jac**²¹**ûl****âte**, v.t. Utter suddenly (words or abs.); eject (fluids etc.) from the body. Hence ~ **A**²²**TON** n., ~ **ATOR** a. [f. L *Ejacula* f. *jaculum* javelin] **dar**]

ê²³**jet**²⁴, v.t. Eject (from place, office, property); dart forth, emit. Hence or

cogn. *éjéc'tion*, ~MENT, *éjéc'tor*¹, nn. [f. L *ejectare* frequent. of *ejicere* *ject* = *jacere* throw]

*éj'ect*¹, n. Something inferred, not an actual nor a conceivable object of our own consciousness. [f. L *ejectum* neut. p.p. of *ejicere* (see prec.)]

éjéc'tive, a. Tending to eject; pertaining to an eject. Hence ~LY² (-VL-) adv. [-IVE]

*éke*¹, v.t. ~ out: supplement (defective means etc. with); (improp.) contrive to make (livelihood) or support (existence). [dial. form of obs. *eche* (OE *écan*) f. OTeut. *aukan* cogn. w. L *augere* increase; partly also f. obs. n. *eke* (same root)]

|| *éke*², adv. (arch.). Also. [com.-Teut.: OE *éac*, Du. *ook*, G *auch*]

ékk'a, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Small one-horse Indian vehicle; similar cart drawn by bullock. [Hind.]

-el. See -LE(2).

*éláb'orate*¹, a. Carefully or minutely worked out; highly finished. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *laborare* f. *labor* work, see -ATE²]

*éláb'orate*², v.t. Produce by labour; work out (invention, theory, etc.) in detail; (of natural agencies) produce (substance etc.) from its elements or sources. Hence or cogn. ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a. [as prec., -ATE²]

élaeo- in comb. = Gk *elaion* oil, as ~meter, instrument for determining purity of oils.

élan (see Ap.), n. Vivacity; impetuous rush. [F]

él'and, n. S.-African antelope of heavy build. [Du., = elk]

éläpse', v.i. (Of time) pass away. [f. L *elapsi laps-* glide]

éläs'tic (or -lah-), a. & n. 1. Spontaneously resuming its normal bulk or shape after contraction, dilatation, or distortion (of solids, liquids, & gases); springy; (of feelings or persons) buoyant; flexible, adaptable, as ~conscience; ~side boots or ~sides, 19th-c. boots with ~web at sides instead of buttons or laces. 2. n. ~cord or string, usu. woven with india-rubber. Hence *éläs'tically* adv., *éläs'ticity* n. [f. Gk *elastikos* impulsive (*elaunō* drive, st. *ela-*)]

*éläte*¹, v.t., & a. 1. Inspirit, stimulate, (esp. in p.p.): make proud. 2. adj. (arch.). In high spirits, exultant, proud. So *élä'tion* n. [f. L *exferre* *elat-* bring out, raise]

*él'bow*¹ (-ð), n. Outer part of joint between fore & upper arm; ~shaped bend or corner; at one's ~, close at hand; up to the ~s, busily engaged in; out at ~s, (of coat) worn-out, (of person) poor; ~grease, vigorous polishing, hard work; ~room, plenty of room. [com.-Teut.: OE *elnboga*, Du. *elleboog*, G *ell(en)bogen*, f. OTeut. *alino-bogon* (see EL & BOW²)]

*él'bow*² (-ð), v.t. & i. Thrust, jostle, (person, oneself, into, in; etc.; also intr.). [f. prec.]

él'chee (-li), n. Ambassador. [f. Turk. *üchi* representative of a tribe (old)]

|| *éld*, n. (arch., poet., dial.). Old age; the olden time. [OE *eldo* (old old)]

*él'der*¹, a. & n. 1. (The) senior (of relations, or of two indicated persons), as *his ~ brother*, which is the ~?; (Cards) ~hand, first player; || ~brother of Trinity House, each of thirteen senior members of this corporation who sit as Nautical Assessors in navigation cases (usu. pl., ~brethren). 2. n. (Pl.) persons of greater age, as *respect your ~s*; person advanced in life; member of a senate; official in early Christian Church (= Gk *presbyteros*), & in some Protestant (esp. Presbyterian) churches, whence ~SHIP n.; *E* ~STATESMAN. [OE *eldra* (ald old)]

*él'der*², n. Low white-flowered tree; ~(-berry) wine (made from fruit of this). [OE *elarn*, cf. MLG *elern*, *alhorn*]

él'derly, a. Getting old. [ELDER¹ + -LY¹]

él'dest, a. First-born or oldest surviving (member of family, son, daughter, etc.). [OE *eldest(a)* superl. of *ald* old]

El Dorad'o (*éldorahd'ò*), n. (pl. ~s). Fictitious country or city abounding in gold. [Sp. = the gilded (man)]

él'dritch, a. (Sc.). Weird, hideous. [F]

*élécampāne*¹, n. Plant with bitter aromatic leaves & root; sweetmeat flavoured with this. [corrupt. of med. L *enula* (L *in-*) *campana*; *campana* may = of Campana, or of the fields]

*éléct*¹, a. Chosen; select, choice; (Theol.) chosen by God, as *the ~*; chosen to office etc., as *bride ~*. [f. L *eligere* *lect* = *legere* pick]

*éléct*², v.t. Choose (thing, to do); choose (person) by vote, as ~a magistrate, ~him to the magistracy, ~him (to be) magistrate; (Theol., of God) choose (persons) in preference to others for salvation. [as prec.]

éléc'tion, n. Choosing, esp. by vote; general ~ (of representatives, esp. members of House of Commons, throughout the country), || *by ~* (of M.P. to fill vacancy); (Theol.) see prec. [OF, f. L *electionem* (as proc., see -ION)]

*éléc'tioneer*¹ (-shon-), v.i., & n. Busy oneself in political elections; (n.) one who ~s. [prec. + -EER]

éléc'tive, a. (Of official, office, authority) appointed by, filled up by, derived from, election; having power to elect; (Chem.) ~affinity, tendency to combine with some substances rather than others. Hence ~LY² (-VL-) adv. [f. F *électif* -ive (as ELECT¹, -IVE)]

éléc'tor, n. One who has right of election (esp. of M.P.); (Hist.) German Prince entitled to share in election of Emperor, Hence ~AL a., ~SHIP n. [L (as ELECT¹, -OR²)]

éléc'torate, n. Dignity, dominions, of German Elector; body of electors. [-ATE¹]

élec'trèss, n. Female elector; wife of German Elector. [as prec. + -ess¹]

élec'tric, a. & n. Of, charged with, capable of developing, electricity; ~ *chair* (used in an electrocution); ~ *charge*, accumulation of electricity in Leyden jar etc.; ~ *eel*, one able to give ~ shock; ~ *light* (produced by electricity); ~ *shock*, effect of sudden discharge of electricity; ~ *storm*, violent disturbance of the earth's electrical condition; ~ *torch*, portable ~ lamp operated by a dry battery in its holder; ~ *blue*, steely blue; (n.) substance in which ~ force can be excited by friction. Hence **élec'trically adv.**, **élec'trician (-shm) n.** [f. L f. Gk *elektron* amber, sec -10]

élec'trical, a. Relating to electricity (rare in other senses of prec.). [-AL]

élec'tricity, n. 1. (Properly *static* ~) abnormal condition of the atoms or molecules of a body usu. due to an excess or deficiency of electrons; various kinds were formerly distinguished by the methods of production, as *frictional* ~ (by friction), *galvanic* ~ (by chemical action), *thermal* ~ (by heat), *magnetic* ~ (by magnetism), or by the substances in which they were produced, as *vitreous* ~ (in glass), *resinous* ~ (in resin); but only two kinds are now recognized in ordinary use, *positive* ~, a deficiency of electrons, and *negative* ~, an excess of electrons. 2. Movement of electrons or electrons moving along a conductor. 3. Science of static ~ or of electric currents. [-ITY]

élec'trificā'tion, n. Electrifying; conversion of steam railway into electric. [as foll., see -IFICATION]

élec'trify, v.t. Charge (body) with electricity; subject (person etc.) to electric shock; convert (railways, transport, manufactures, etc.) to electric working; (fig.) startle, excite. [f. ELECTRIC + -FY]

élec'triz[e, v.t.] = prec. Hence ~ *ATION* n. [as prec. + -IZE]

élec'trū, n., & v.t., (colloq.). = ELECTRO-plate, type. [abbr.]

élec'tro- in comb. Of, pertaining to, caused by, electricity, as: ~ *biology*, science of the electrical phenomena of living beings; ~ *chemistry*, electricity as applied to chemistry; ~ *dynamics*, dynamics of electricity; ~ *kinetics*, science of electricity in motion; ~ *logy* (-lō), electric science; ~ *lysis* (-līs), chemical decomposition by electric action, science of this, (Surg.) breaking up of tumours or calculi by electric agency; ~ *lyse* (-z), decompose thus; ~ *lyte*, any liquid or solution chemically changed by passage of electric current, any substance forming such a solution with water or another liquid; ~ *magnetic*, having both electrical and magnetic character or effects (applied esp. to waves or radiations which travel with the same velocity as light); ~ *mag-*

netism, production of magnetism by electric current; ~ *meter* (-ōmē), instrument measuring electricity; ~ *motion*, motion of electric current, mechanical motion produced by electricity; ~ *motive*, producing, tending to produce, an electric current; ~ *motor*, machine for using electricity as motive power; ~ *negative*, ~ *positive*, of negative, positive, electricity; ~ *pathy* (-ōpē), electrical treatment of disease; ~ *phore*, ~ *phorus* (-ōfē), instrument for generating static electricity by induction; ~ *plate*, (v.t.) coat with silver by ~ lysis, (n.) ware thus produced; ~ *scope*, instrument indicating presence or quality of electricity; ~ *statics*, science of static electricity; ~ *therapy*, cure of diseases by electrical treatment (hence ~ *therapist*); ~ *thermal*, relating to heat electrically derived; ~ *tonus* (-ōtē), condition of motor nerve under electric current; ~ *type*, (n.) model, copy, formed by deposition of copper on a mould by electrolytic action, esp. for printing, (v.t.) copy thus. [f. Gk *elektron* amber]

élec'trocū'tion, n. Killing by electricity (as capital punishment); (transf.) death caused in any way by electricity. Hence **élec'trocū'te v.t.** [f. prec., suggested by *execution*]

élec'trōde, n. Either pole (ANODE, CATHODE) of electric battery. [ELECTRO- + Gk *hodos* way]

élec'trolier, n. Cluster of electric lamps. [f. ELECTRO- on *chandelier*]

élec'trōn, n. (physics, chem.). Indivisible unit of negative electricity and one of the fundamental constituents of matter, normally rotating (in numbers constant for each element) about the positive nucleus of every atom. Hence **élec'trōn'io a.**, also n. pl., branch of physics dealing with ~s & the other elementary particles (protons, neutrons, etc.) that constitute matter. [f. ELECTRO- or ELECTRIC, with Gk -on appended]

élec'trum, n. Alloy of silver & gold used by the ancients; (Mineral.) native argentiferous gold. [L, f. Gk *elektron* amber, ~]

élec'tuāry, n. Medicinal powder etc. mixed with honey or syrup. [f. LL *electuarium* perh. corrupt. of Gk *ekleikōn* (ekleikō lōk out)]

élec'mōs'ynary (or -z), a. Of, dependent on, alms; charitable; gratuitous. [f. med. L *eleemosynarius* (as ALMS, see -ARY¹)]

él'égant, a. & n. (Of movements, style, author, manners) graceful; tasteful; refined; (of modes of life etc.) of refined luxury; (vulg.) excellent; (n.) person with pretensions to taste & fashion. Hence or cogn. **él'égance n.**, ~ *LY* adv. [f. F *élégant* f. L *elegans*, cf. ELEGANT¹]

él'égi'ac, a. & n. 1. (Of metre) suited to elegies, esp. ~ couplet, (usu. Gk or Lat.) dactylic hexameter & pentameter;

mournful. 2. n. pl. ~ verses. [f. L f. Gk *elegeiakos* (as *ELBGY*, see -AC)]

él'égize, v. i. & t. Write an elegy (upon); write in mournful strain; write an elegy upon. [-EZE]

él'égý, n. Song of lamentation, esp. for the dead (often vaguely used of other poems); poem in elegiac metre. [f. F *élégie* f. L f. Gk *elegeia* (elegos mournful poem)]

él'ément, n. 1. Component part, as reduced to its ~s, analysed, the ~s of national wealth, there was an ~ of cant, cant was a notable ~, in his style. 2. (Chem.) any of the many substances that defy analysis. 3. Air, any of the four ~s, viz. earth, water, air, fire; one of these as a being's abode or sphere, as (usu. fig.) in, out of, his ~. 4. Atmospheric agencies, as *war* of the ~s. 5. pl. Rudiments of learning (i.e. the A B C) or of an art or science; *Euclid's E~s* (of Geometry). [OF, f. L *elementum*, etym. dub.]

él'émén'tal, a. & n. 1. Of the four elements; of the powers of nature, as ~ worship; comparable to those, as ~ grandeur, tumult; uncompounded; essential. 2. n. (Theosoph.) spirit of earth, air, etc. [prec. + -AL]

él'émén'tariý, a. Rudimentary, introductory; (Chem.) not decomposable. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [f. L *elementarius* (as *ELEMENT*, see -ARY¹)]

él'érni, n. A stimulant resin used in ointments, varnish, etc. [?]

élén'chus (-ngk-), n. (pl. -chí). Logical refutation; *Socratic* ~, mode of eliciting truth by short question & answer. [L, f. Gk *elegkhos*]

élenc'tic (-ngk-), a. Of, given to, refutation or cross-examination. [f. Gk *elegktikos* (elegkhō refute, as prec., see -ic)]

él'éphant, n. 1. Huge four-footed pachyderm with proboscis & long curved ivory tusks; *white* ~, burdensome possession (from cost of maintenance). 2. Size of paper (28 × 23 in.; *double* ~, 40 × 26½). Hence **éléphán'toid** a. [ME *olifaunt* f. OF *olifant* corrupt. f. L *elephantum* (nom. -tus), -ntem (nom. -phas), f. Gk *elephas* -antos, etym. dub.]

éléphánt'asis, n. Skin disease causing part affected to resemble elephant's hide. [L f. Gk (as prec., see -ASIS)]

éléphán'tine, a. Of elephants; ~ epoch (when large pachydermata abounded); clumsy, unwieldy, as ~ movements, humour, task. [f. L f. Gk *elephantinos* (as prec., -IN²)]

Eleusin'ian (-s-), a. ~ mysteries (of Demeter, celebrated at Eleusis in Attica). [f. L f. Gk *Eleusínios* (Eleusis -inos) + -AN]

éleuth'ero in comb. = Gk *eleutheros* free, as ~mán'ta, mad zeal for freedom, ~phýll'oma, with distinct leaves.

él'évátje, v. t. Lift up; hold up (the Host) for adoration; raise (one's eyes, voice,

hopes); raise axis of (gun); exalt in rank etc.; raise morally or intellectually (aims, style; esp. in p.p.); (p.p., colloq.) slightly drunk. Hence ~ory a. [f. L *élevare* lift f. *levis* light], see -ATE²]

élévátion, n. Elevating, being elevated, (in all senses); angle (esp. of gun) with horizon; height above given (esp. sea) level; drawing made in projection on vertical plane, flat drawing of front, side, or back, of house etc.; grandeur, dignity. [f. L *elevatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

él'évátor, n. Person, thing, that elevates; muscle that raises limb etc.; machine for hoisting corn etc.; lift. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

élév'en, a. & n. One more than ten (11, xi); *an* ~, ~ persons forming side at cricket etc.; *the E~* (disciples, without Judas); || ~s(es) n. (colloq.), light refreshment about 11 a.m. So ~th² a. & n. (*the ~th hour*). [com.-Teut.: OE *endleofon*, Du. & G *elf*, f. OTeut. *ainlif-* (ain ON² + -lif- etym. dub.)]

él'if, n. (pl. *elves*). (Teut. Myth.) a supernatural being; mischievous creature; dwarf; little creature; ~-bolt, flint arrow-head; ~-lock, tangled mass of hair; ~-struck, bewitched. Hence **él'ifin¹**, **él'v-issn¹**, aa. [OE *élf*, cf. G *alp* nightmare] **él'fin**, a. & n. Of elves, elfish; (n.) dwarf, child. [f. prec., -in unexpl.]

él'i'cit, v. t. Draw forth (what is latent, usu. fig.); educe (truths from data), draw out, evoke, (admission, answer from person). [f. L *elicere licit-* for *lacere entice*)]

élide', v. t. Omit (vowel, syllable) in pronunciation. [f. L *elidere lis-* = *laedere* dash)]

él'igible, a. Fit to be chosen (for office etc.); desirable, suitable. Hence ~bil'ity n., ~bly² adv. [f. F *éligible* (ELACT¹, -BLE)]

él'im'in'áte, v. t. Remove, get rid of; (Physiol., Chem.) expel (waste matter from tissues, substance from a compound); ignore (part of question etc.); (Alg.) get rid of (quantities) from equation; (improp.) extract (desired element from compound, also fig.). So ~able a., ~'ATION n., ~'ATOR² n., (esp.) apparatus enabling a wireless set to use mains current, so ~ating any or all of its batteries. [f. L *eliminare* f. *limen* -minis threshold, see -ATE¹]

él'ision (-zhn), n. Suppression of vowel or syllable in pronouncing, (rarely) of passage in book etc. [f. L *elisis* (as *ELIDE*, see -ION)]

él'ite (él'it'), n. The choice part, the best, (of). [F. = choice]

él'ix'ir (-er), n. Alchemist's preparation designed to change metals into gold or (also ~ of life) to prolong life indefinitely; sovereign remedy; *PARGOLIC* ~. [med. L, f. Arab. *aliksir* the elixir (*iksir* prob. f. late Gk *akrion* desiccative powder)]

Elizabeth'an (-), a. & n. (Person, writer)

of the time of Queen Elizabeth I. [-AN]
élk, n. Large animal of the deer kind found in N. Europe and (also moose) N. America; species of deer & antelope; ~hound, large Scandinavian shaggy-coated hunting dog. [etym. dub.; OE *elch*; also *alke*, influenced by L *alces*, Gk *alké*]

él, n. Measure of length (English ~, = 45 in.; now obs. as measure); give him an inch (a little) & he'll take an ~ (much). [com.-Teut.: OE *eln*, Du. *el*, G *elle*, f. OTeut. *alina* forearm (cogn. w. Gk *olénā*, L *ulna*), whence med. L *alena*, F *aune*]

éllipse¹, n. Regular oval; figure produced when a cone is cut by a plane making smaller angle with the base than the side of the cone makes, whence **éllipti'city** n.; = foll. Hence or cogn. **éllip'tic(al)**¹ a., -ically¹ adv. [f. Gk *elleipsis* f. *elleipō* come short (en in + *leipō* leave)]

éllip'sis, **éllipse**², n. (pl. -psēs, pron. -psēz). Omission from sentence of words needed to complete construction or sense. So **éllip'tical**¹ a., -ically¹ adv. [as prec.]

éllip'soid, n. Solid of which all plane sections through one axis are ellipses & through the other ellipses or circles. [-OID]

élm, n. Tree with rough doubly serrated leaves. Hence ~'ry a. [OE *elm* (cf. Swed. *alm*, Da. *élm*), = L *ulmus*]

elocú'tion (-ō or -ō-), n. Manner, style, art, of oral delivery. Hence ~ARY¹ a., ~IST(3) n., (-shon-). [f. L *elocutio* f. *eloqui* locut-speak, see -ION]

éloge (élōzh'), n. Discourse in honour of deceased person (esp. member of French Academy, pronounced by his successor). [F]

Elō'híst (-), n. Author(s) of the *elohistic* parts of the Hexateuch, marked by use of *Elohim* for *Yahveh* (Jehovah). [f. Heb. *elohim* God + -IST]

él'longate (-ngg-), v.t. & i., & a. 1. (-&t). Lengthen, prolong; (Bot.) be of slender or tapering form. 2. adj. (-at; Bot., Zool.) long, slender, tapering. [f. LL *elongare* f. *longus* long, see -ATE¹]

élōngā'tion (-ngg-), n. Lengthening; the part (of line etc.) produced; (Astron.) angular distance of planet from sun. [f. LL *elongatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

élope¹, v.i. (Of woman) run away from husband or home (with paramour, lover); abscond. Hence ~MENT (-pm-) n. [AF *alooper* perh. f. ME *'alope* p.p. of *'aleapen* (a- = and- against + LEAP, cf. G *entlaufen* run away)]

él'ouquence, n. Fluent, forcible, & apt use of language; rhetoric, as *Professor of E-~*. So **él'ouquent** a., **él'ouquently**¹ adv. [F (é), f. L *eloquentia* f. *eloqui* speak, see -EQUO]

élse, adv. (Following indef. or Interrog. pron.) besides, in addition, as *any one, anybody, anything, ~, who ~? who ~s?*, whose ~?; (same constr.) instead, as *what ~ could I say?*; otherwise, if not, as *run, (or) ~ you will be late*; ~where, in, to, some other place. [OE *elles* f. OTeut. *aljo* -other = L *alius*, -es]

éluc'id(āte) (-ō-, -ū-), v.t. Throw light on, explain. Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR¹, nn., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. LL *elucidare* f. *lucidus* bright f. *lux lucis* light]

élude¹ (-ōd, -ūd), v.t. Escape adroitly from (blow, danger, difficulty, person's grasp, person, inquiry, observation); avoid compliance with (law, request) or fulfilment of (obligation); escape from, baffle, (the understanding). So **élus'ion** (-lōzhn or -lū-), **élus'iveness**, nn., **élus'ive**, **élus'ory**, aa., **élus'ively**¹ adv., (-lōd- or -lū-). [f. L *eludere* lus- play]

él'van, n. Hard rock of igneous origin; broad vein or dyke of this. [perh. f. Corn. *elven* spark]

él'ver, n. A young eel. [var. of *eel-FARE*¹ = brood of young eels]

elvish. See ELF.

Élysée (élēzā'), n. Official residence of French President. [F]

Elys'ium (ilz-), n. (Gk Myth.) abode of the blessed after death; place, state, of ideal happiness. Hence ~AN a. [f. L f. Gk *Elusion* (-ē) (*pedion* plain)]

él'ytrōn, n. (pl. -ra). Outer hard wing-case of coleopterous insect; the vagina. [f. Gk *elutron* sheath (*eluō* roll round)]

El'zevir (-; -er), a. & n. (Book) printed by Elzevier family at Amsterdam, The Hague, etc.

ēm, n. The letter M; (Typog.) unit for measuring amount of printed matter in line.

em-, pref. = EN- before b, p, and (often) m. **ēmā'cijāte** (-shī-), v.t. Make lean, waste, (esp. in p.p.); impoverish (soil). So ~ATION (-si-) n. [f. L *emaciare* f. *macies* leanness, see -ATE¹]

ēm'anāte, v.i. Issue, originate, (from source, person, etc.); (of gases, light, etc.) proceed, issue, (from). [f. L *emanare* flow, see -ATE¹]

ēmānā'tion, n. Issuing (from); thing proceeding from a source (esp. fig., of virtues, qualities, moral powers); person, thing, proceeding from the Divine Essence. So **ēm'anātive** a. [f. L *emanatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

ēmān'cipāt|e, v.t. (Rom. Law) release (child, wife) from power of *pater familias*; free from legal, social, political, intellectual, or moral restraint. Hence ~OR¹ n., ~ORY a. [f. L *emancipare* f. *manceps* purchaser f. *manus* hand + *capere* take, -ATE¹]

ēmān'cipā'tion, n. Setting free, esp. from slavery or from legal disabilities, whence ~IST (-shon-) n.; setting free, freedom, from intellectual or moral

letters. [f. F *émancipation* f. L *emancipationem* (prec. -ATION)]

|| **émān'cīpist**, n. (Austral.). Ex-convict who has served his term. [f. EMANCIPATE + -IST]

émās'cūlate¹, a. Castrated; effeminate. [f. L *E(masculare f. masculus dim. of mas male)*, see -ATE²]

émās'cūlate², v.t. Castrate; weaken, make effeminate; impoverish (language); weaken (literary composition) by excisions. Hence ~ATION n., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [as prec., see -ATE²]

embalm' (-ahm), v.t. Preserve (corpse) from decay orig. with spices, now by means of arterial injection; preserve from oblivion; endue with balmy fragrance. Hence ~MENT (-ahm-m-) n. [f. F *em(baumer, as BALM)*]

embānk', v.t. Shut in, confine, (river etc.) by banks, raised stone structure, etc. Hence ~MENT n., (also) structure of earth etc. to carry a railway, road, etc. [EM-]

embārg'ō, n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. 1. Order forbidding ships of a foreign power to enter, or any ships to leave, the country's ports; suspension of (a branch of) commerce, as *be under, lay on, an ~*; impediment. 2. v.t. Lay (ships, trade) under ~; seize (ship, goods) for State service. [Sp., f. *embargar* f. LL **inbaricare (barra BAR¹)*]

embārk', v.t. & l. Put, go, on board ship (for destination), whence **embārk**'ATION n.; engage (*in, upon, undertaking, war, etc.*). [f. F *embarquer* f. LL *im(barcare f. barca BAR²)*]

embarras de choix, de richesse (ahñ-bahrah' de shwah' de reshēs'), n. More alternatives, wealth, than one knows how to deal with. [F]

embārrass, v.t. Encumber, impede; (p.p.) encumbered with debts; complicate (question etc.); perplex. Hence ~ingly² adv., ~MENT n. [f. F *embarrasser* f. *embarras* n. conn. w. EM(barrer BAR²)]

ēm'bassē, n. Ambassador's function or office; his residence; deputation to a sovereign etc. [f. OF *ambassée* f. L **ambactiata (ambactia, see AMBASSADOR, & cf. -ADE)*]

embāt'tle¹, v.t. Set (army) in battle array. [f. OF *em(bataillier f. bataille BATTLE)*]

embāt'tle², v.t. Furnish (building, wall) with battlements. [EM- + obs. vb *bailler* f. OF *bataillier, see BATTLEMENT*]

ēmbay', v.t. Lay (vessel) within a bay; (of wind) force (vessel) into a bay; enclose as in a bay, shut in. Hence ~MENT n. [EM-]

ēmbēd', im-, v.t. (-dd-). Fix firmly in surrounding mass (esp. in p.p.); (of the mass) surround thus. [EM-]

ēmbēll'ish, v.t. Beautify, adorn; heighten (narrative) with fictitious additions.

Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *em(bellir f. bel f. L bellus handsome)*, see -ISH²]

ēm'ber¹, n. (usu. pl.). Small piece of live coal or wood in dying fire (& fig.). [OE *æmberg*, cf. Da. *emmer*, Sw. *mörja*; -b-phonetic]

ēm'ber², a. ~ days, days of fasting and prayer, the Wed., Fri., & Sat., after (1) 1st Sun. in Lent, (2) Whitsunday, (3) Holy Cross Day (Sep. 14), and (4) St Lucia's day (Dec. 13). [OE *ymbren* n. perh. f. *ymbryne* period (*ymb* about + *ryne* course)]

ēm'ber³, n. (Usu. ~-goose, ~-diver; an Orkney sea-fowl, the Loon. [f. Norw. *emmer*])

ēmbēz'zle, v.t. Divert (money etc., also abs.) fraudulently to one's own use. Hence ~MENT (-zelm-) n. [f. AF *EN(besiler = OF besillier maltreat, ravage, perh. f. L bis- used in LL as pejorative pref.)*]

ēmbitt'er, v.t. Make bitter (fig.); aggravate (evil); exasperate (person, feeling). Hence ~MENT n. [EM-]

ēmbiāz'on, v.t. Portray conspicuously, as on heraldic shield; adorn (shield) with heraldic devices (also fig.); celebrate, extol. Hence ~MENT n. [EM-]

ēmbiāz'onrē, n. = BLAZONRY. [EM-]

ēm'blēm, n., & v.t. 1. Symbol, typical representation; (arch.) pictorial parable; (of person) type (of a quality); heraldic device. 2. v.t. Symbolize, show forth by ~. [(vb f. n.) f. L f. Gk *emblēma -matos* insertion f. EM(ballō throw)]

ēmbiēmāt'ic(al), aa. Serving as a type (of). Hence **ēmbiēmāt'icaly**² adv. [prec., -ic]

ēmbiēm'atist, n. Maker of emblems or of allegories. [as prec. + -IST]

ēmbiēm'atize, v.t. Serve as emblem of; represent by an emblem. [as prec. + -IZE]

ēm'blément, n. (legal; usu. pl.). Profits of sown land; natural products of soil. [f. OF *emblaement f. emblaer* f. mod. L *inbladare* sow with wheat (*bladum*, see -MENT)]

ēmbōd'ly, v.t. Clothe (spirit) with body; give concrete form to (ideas etc.); express tangibly (principles in actions etc.); (of things) be an expression of (ideas etc.); form into a body; include, comprise. Hence ~IMENT n. [EM-]

ēmbōg', v.t. (-gg-). Plunge into, hamper in, a bog (lit. & fig.). [EM-]

ēmbōl'den, v.t. Make bold, encourage (often to do). [EM- + BOLD + -EN²]

ēm'bolism, n. Obstruction of artery etc. by clot of blood etc., esp. as cause of paralysis. [f. Gk *embolos* peg, stopper (*en* in, *ballō* throw)]

embonpoint (see Ap.), n. Plumpness (chiefly of women; usu. euphem.). [F, f. phr. *en bon point* in good condition]

ēmbos'om (-ōbz-), v.t. Embrace; (p.p.) enclosed in, surrounded with, (trees, hills, etc.). [EM-]

embös's, v.t. Carve, mould, in relief; cause figures etc. to stand out on (surface); make protuberant. Hence ~MENT n. [prob. f. OF ⁺embocer (see BOSS¹)]

embouchure (see Ap.), n. Mouth of river; opening of valley; (Mus.) part of musical instrument applied to mouth, mode of applying this. [F]

embow'el, v.t. (-ll-). Remove the bowels from (body). [f. OF *emboucler* for *esboucler* (es- = EX- + *boucler* BOWEL)]

embow'er, v.t. Enclose as in bower. [EM-]

embräce', v.t., & n. 1. Fold (person etc.); in pl. abs. = ~ one another in the arms, usu. as sign of affection; clasp, enclose; accept eagerly (offer, opportunity, etc.); adopt (course of action, doctrine, party, cause); (of things) include, comprise; (of persons) comprise (thing in a formula, report, etc.); take in with eye or mind. 2. n. Folding in the arms, (euphem.) sexual intercourse. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT (-sm-) n. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *EM*(bracer f. L *bracchium* arm)]

embranch'ment (-ah-), n. Branching out (of arm of river etc.). [EM- + BRANCH n. + -MENT]

embräng'le (-nggl), im-, v.t. Entangle, confuse. Hence ~MENT (-nggelm-) n. [EM- + obs. *brangle* perh. suggested by *brawl*, *urangle*]

embrä'sure (-zher; also *embrazhoor'*), n. Bevelled off of wall at sides of door or window, splaying; opening in parapet for gun, widening from within. [F (*EM* braser splay, mod. F *ébraser*; see -URE)]

ëmb'rocäte, v.t. Bathe, foment, (limb etc.) to mitigate disease. [f. med. L *embrocare* f. *embrocha* f. Gk *embrokhē* f. *EM*(*brekhō* wet)]

ëmbrocä'tion, n. Liquid used for rubbing affected part. [f. prec., see -ATION]

ëmbroid'er, v.t. Ornament (cloth etc., or abs.) with needlework; embellish (narrative) with fictitious additions. [EM- + *broider* f. F. *broder*, orig. = work on the edge (*bord*); -er perh. f. wrong division of foll.]

ëmbroid'er'y, n. Embroidering; embroidered work; adventitious ornament. [-ERY]

ëmbroll', v.t. Bring (affairs, narrative, etc.) into state of confusion; involve (person) in hostility (with another). Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *EM*(*brouiller*, see BROIL²)]

ëmbrown', v.t. Make brown. [EM-]

ëm'brýö, n. & a. (pl. -os). 1. Offspring of animal before birth (or emergence from egg); thing in rudimentary stage; in undeveloped. 2. adj. Undeveloped. Hence *ëmbrýön'ic* a. [med. L *embryo-onis* corrupt. of Gk *EM*(*bruön* perh. f. *brúō* swell, grow)]

ëmbrýo- in comb. = prec., as ~*ctomy* (-ōk-), destruction of foetus in womb, ~*gén'esia*, formation of embryo, ~*logy*

(-ōl-), science of the embryo, ~*ctomy* (-ōt-), cutting up of foetus in womb.

|| **ëmbüs'**, v.t. & i. (Mil.; -ss-). Put (men, stores) or get into motor vehicles. [EM- + BUS, after *entrain*]

ëmbusqué (ahh'bōskä'), n. One who has escaped service at the front by securing home or base employment, a CUTHBERT. [F, p.p. of *ëmbusquer* ambush]

ëmënd', v.t. (Seek to) remove errors from (text of book etc.). Hence *ëmëndä'tion*, *ëm'ëndätör*¹, nn., ~*ätör* a. [f. L *E*(*mendare* f. *menda* fault)]

ëm'eräld, n. Bright-green precious stone; colour of this; size of TYPE; *E~ Isle*, Ireland. Hence ~*irë*¹ a. [f. OF *emeraude* f. com.-Rom. ⁺*smaralda* f. L f. Gk *smaragdōs*]

ëmergé', v.i. Come up out of a liquid; come into view (from enclosed space etc.); issue (from state of suffering etc.); (of facts etc.) come out as result of inquiry; (of question, difficulty, etc.) crop up. So *ëmér'gence* n., *ëmér'gent* a. [f. L *E*(*mergere* mers- dip)]

ëmér'genc'y, n. Sudden juncture demanding immediate action; ~y door, exit, etc., for use in ~ies only, e.g., in case of fire; ~y man, (in Ireland) bailiff's officer recruited for special service, esp. in evictions (hist.). [f. LL *emergentia* (as prec., see -ENCY)]

ëmér'ritus, a. Honourably discharged from service, as ~ professor (retired). [L, p.p. of *E*(*mereri* earn)]

ëm'erōds, n. pl. (bibl.). = HAEMORRHOIDS.

ëmér'sion (-shn), n. Emerging; reappearance of sun, moon, star, after eclipse or occultation. [as EMERGE, see -ION]

ëm'er'y, n. Coarse corundum used for polishing metal, stones, etc.; ~cloth, ~paper, ~wheel (covered with ~ powder). [f. F *ëmeri*(t) f. LL *ëmericulum* f. Gk *ëmëris* polishing powder]

ëmët'ic, a. & n. (Medicine) that causes vomiting (also fig.). [f. Gk *emetikos* (*emēō* vomit, see -ETIC)]

ëmeute (see Ap.), n. Popular rising. [F]

ëm'igräte, v.i. & t. Leave one country to settle in another; (colloq.) change one's place of abode; (v.t.) assist (person) to emigrate. So ~*ANT* a. & n., ~*Ä'tion* n., ~*Ä'tory* a. [f. L *ëmigrare* MIGRATE]

ëmigré (ëm'igrä), n. French emigrant, esp. Royalist who fled at French Revolution. [F]

ëm'inence, n. 1. Rising ground. 2. Distinguished superiority (social, intellectual, etc.); (*E~*) cardinal's title. [f. L *ëminentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

ëm'inent, a. Exalted, distinguished; ~ DOMAIN; (of qualities) remarkable in degree, whence ~*LY*² adv. [f. L *ëmínēre* jut, cf. *minae* projecting points, threats, -MENT]

ëm'ir' (-är), n. Saracen or Arab prince or governor; descendant of Mohammed. [=AMEER]

ém'issary, n. Person sent on (usu.) an odious or underhand mission. [f. L *emissarius* (as *EMIT*, see -ARY¹)]

ém'ission (-shn), n. Giving off or out (of light, heat, smell, etc.); thing thus given out; ~ *theory* (that light is ~ of streams of imponderable particles from luminous bodies). So **ém'issive** a. [f. L *emissio* (as foll., see -ION)]

ém'it, v.t. (-tt-). Give out, send forth, (stream, light, heat, sound, opinion, paper, currency, etc.). [f. L *mittere* miss-send]

ém'm'et, n. (dial.). Ant. [see ANT]

ém'oll'ient (-lye-), a. & n. (Application) that softens living animal textures (also fig.). [f. L *emollire* f. *mollis* soft], see -ENT]

ém'ol'ument, n. Profit from office or employment, salary. [f. L *emolumentum*, *emoli-*, f. *mollere* grind or *molliri* work out], -MENT]

ém'otion, n. Agitation of mind, feeling; excited mental state. Hence ~LESS a. [f. L *emotio* f. *(movere)* move], see -ION]

ém'ot'ional (-shon-), a. Of the emotions; liable to emotion, whence ~ISM(1), ~IST(2), ~ITY (-shonál'), nn., ~LY² adv. [prec. +AL]

ém'ot'ive, a. Of, tending to excite, emotion. Hence ~LY¹ (-vI-) adv. [f. L *emovere*, see EMOTION & -IVE]

ém'pán'el, im-, v.t. (-ll-). Enter on panel, enrol, (jury). [f. AF *em*(paneller PANEL)]

ém'pathy, n. (psych.). The power of projecting one's personality into (and so fully comprehending) the object of contemplation. [rendering of G *Einfühlung* (ein in + *föhlung* feeling) after Gk *empathia*]

ém'peror, n. (fem. *ém'press*). Sovereign of Roman, Western, or Eastern Empire; head of Holy Roman Empire; sovereign (title superior in dignity to king); *Purple E~*, kind of butterfly. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *emperere*, -*percor*, f. L *imperator*, -*orem*, f. *imperare* = *parare* prepare, order] command, see -OR²]

ém'phasis, n. -Stress laid on word(s) to indicate special significance; vigour, intensity, of expression, feeling, action, etc.; importance assigned to a thing; prominence, sharpness of contour. [L f. Gk, f. *em*(*phainō* show)]

ém'phasize, v.t. Lay stress upon (word in speaking); bring (fact etc.) into special prominence. [f. prec. +IZE]

ém'phát'ic, a. (Of language, tone, gesture) forcibly expressive; (of words) bearing the stress; (of person) expressing himself with emphasis; (of actions) forcible, significant. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *emphatikos* (as EMPHASIS, see -IO)]

ém'phat'ic a. n. (path.). Enlargement of air-vessels of the lungs; swelling caused by presence of air in connective tissues of body. [f. Gk *emphatēma* (*emphatēō* puff up)]

ém'pire, n. Supreme & wide (political) do-

minion; absolute control (*over*); government in which sovereign is called emperor; territory of an emperor; (Hist.) the *E~*, (usu.) Holy Roman E~; *E~ Day*, May 24th, birthday of Q. Victoria, largely kept as (esp. school) holiday in British E~; **E~ City, State* (of New York). [F, f. L *imperium* conn. w. *imperare*, see EMPEROR]

ém'pi'ric, a. & n. Based, acting, on observation & experiment, not on theory, whence ~IST(2) n.; (person) relying solely on experiment; quack. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv., ~ISM n. [f. L f. Gk *empeirikos* f. *peira* trial, see -IO]

ém'plá'cement (-sm-), n. Situation; placing; platform for guns. [F (EM- + PLACE + -MENT)]

ém'pláne, v.I. & t. Go or put on board aeroplane. [EM- + (AERO)plane]

ém'ploy, v.t., & n. 1. Use (thing, one's power, etc., for, in, on, about, an object); use services of (person); keep (person) in one's service; busy, keep occupied, (one-self, others, doing, in, etc.). 2. n. *In the ~ of*, ~ed by. Hence ~ABLE a., ~EE¹ n. [(n. f. F *employer*) f. F *employer* f. L *implicare* fold], cf. IMPLY]

ém'ployé (ém'ploí'á), n. (fem. -ée). Person employed for wages. [F p.p. (prec.)]

ém'ployee, n. = prec. [-EE]

ém'ploy'ment, n. In vbl senses; esp., one's regular trade or profession. [-MENT]

ém'pois'on (-zn), v.t. Put poison into; taint; corrupt (fig.); embitter (person's mind against). [f. F *empoisonner* POISON]

ém'por'ium, n. Centre of commerce, mart; (vulg.) shop. [f. L f. Gk *emporion* f. *emporos* merchant (*por-* journey)]

ém'pow'er, v.t. Authorize, license, (person to do); enable. [EM-]

ém'press, n. Wife of emperor; woman governing an empire or (fig.) having absolute power. [f. OF *emperesse* fem. of *emperere* EMPEROR, see -ESS¹]

em'pressement (see Ap.), n. Display of cordiality. [F]

em'prise (-z), n. (arch.). (Chivalrous) enterprise. [OF, fem. p.p. as n. of *emprendre* f. LL *†im*(*pre*he)ndere take)]

ém'pty, a. & n. 1. Containing nothing; devoid of (qualities); (colloq.) hungry; (of house) devoid of furniture or inmates; (of van, ship, etc.) without load; (of persons, plans, etc.) lacking sense; meaningless. 2. n. ~ truck, box, etc. 3. ~handed, bringing no gift, carrying nothing away; ~headed, ~pated, witless. Hence **ém'ptiness** n. [OE *æmetig* at leisure (*æmetta*, see -Y²)]

ém'pty, v.t. & l. Remove contents of (vessel etc. upon etc.); transfer (contents of one thing into etc. another); (of river) discharge itself (*into*); (v.I.) become empty. [f. prec.]

ém'pur'ple, v.t. Make purple, redden. [EM-]

ēmpyrē'an, a. & n. (Of) the highest heaven, as the sphere of fire or as the abode of God; (of) the visible heavens. So **ēmpyrē'al** a. [f. med. *L. empyreus* f. Gk *ēmpyros* f. *pur fire*] + -AN]

ēm'ū, **ēm'eu**, n. Large Australian bird allied to the Cassowary. [perh. f. Port. *ema* crane, ostrich]

ēm'ūl'āte, v.t. Try to equal or excel; rival; imitate zealously. So **~'āTION**, **~'āTOR**, nn., **~'āTIVE** a. [f. *L. aemulari* (as foll.), see -ATE]

ēm'ūlous, a. Zealously, jealously, imitative (of); desirous (of renown etc.); actuated by spirit of rivalry. Hence **~LY** adv. [f. *L. aemulus* + -OUS]

ēmūl'sify, v.t. Convert into an emulsion. [f. *L. emulgere muls-* milk] + -FY]

ēmūl'sion (-shn), n. Milky liquid with oily or resinous particles suspended in it; mixture of light-sensitive silver salts suspended in gelatine or collodion for coating photographic plates and films. Hence or cogn. **~IZE**(S) v.t., **ēmūl'sive** a. [as prec., see -ION]

ēmūnc'tory, a. & n. Of nose-blowing; (organ, duct) conveying waste matter from the body. [f. *L. emungere munct-*, see -ORY]

ēn, n. Unit of width in printing, narrower than **em**. [N]

en-, pref. 1. **en-**, **em-**, f. *F en-*, **em-**, f. *L in-*, **im-** (*enamour, embarrass, engage*); now used to form **E** vbs (a) on nouns, with sense 'put (the object) into or on something' (*embed, engulf, entrust*) or 'put something into or on (the object)' (*enjewel*); (b) on nn. or adj., w. sense 'bring into such condition' (*englad, enslave*); often with suf. -**EN** (*embolden, enlighten*); (c) on vbs with sense 'in', 'into', 'upon', (*enfold*) or w. intensive force (*encarnalize*). 2. **en-**, **em-**, f. *Gk en-* (*em-* before *b, m, p, ph*; *el-, er-*, before *l, r*), w. sense 'in' (*energy, enthusiasm, emphasis*).

-en, -n, suf. forming p.p. of strong vbs (*spoken, sworn*); often obs. or arch. (*gotten, graven*); in some not recorded (*flung*); also displaced by -**ed** (*shaped for shapen*); or surviving only in adj. sense (*drunken, lorn*). For adj. sense see -**ED**(2).

-en, suf. forming dimm., as *chicken, maiden*. [f. *OTeut. -inom*]

-en, suf. forming femm. (now only in *vizen*), and found in some nouns, as *burden*. [f. *WG -innja* f. *OTeut. -ini*]

-en, suf. seen in *ozen*; orig. part of stem in weak-decl. nouns, but retained only in pl., & added to other old plurals, as in *brethren, children, kine*, (earlier *-ther, -der, ky*). [OE -an]

-en, -n, suf. forming adj. f. nn., usu. expr. material; mostly obs. or arch. (*silvern*) or only in metaph. senses (*golden*), the noun being used as adj.; but *wooden, woollen*, & a few others,

remain. [f. *OTeut. -ino-*, cf. *Gk & L -ino-*]

-en, suf. forming vv.t. & i. from adj. (*deepen, moisten*) on anal. of a few in OE (*fasten*), & f. nouns as *listen* (OE), *happen* (14th c.), *heighten, hearten*, etc., (mod.).

ēnā'ble, v.t. Authorize, empower, (person to do); supply (person etc.) with means to (do); || *Enabling Act*, esp. that of 1920 conferring on the Established Church a certain measure of autonomy subject to parliamentary veto. [EN-]

ēnāct', v.t. 1. Ordain, decree, (thing, *that*), whence **ēnāc'tion**, **~MENT**, nn., **ēnāc'tive**, **ēnāc'tory**, aa.; **~ing clauses** (containing new provisions). 2. Play (scene, part, on stage or in life). [EN- + ACT n. & v.]

ēnām'el, n. Glass-like opaque or semi-transparent coating of metallic surfaces for ornament or as preservative lining (also fig.); any smooth hard coating; kinds of complexion-veneer; coating of teeth; painting done on ~; (poet.) smooth bright surface colouring, verdure, etc. [f. foll.]

ēnām'el, v.t. (-ll-). Inlay, encrust, (metal etc., the face or skin) with enamel; portray (figures etc.) with enamel; adorn with varied colours. [f. AF *en(amayller* f. OF *esmail* f. med. *L. smaltum* of Teut. orig., cf. OE *smaltan* SMELT^h)]

ēnām'our (-mer), v.t. Inspire with love (of, esp. in p.p.); charm, delight. [f. OF *en(amourer* f. *amour* love f. *L. amorem*, nom. -or)]

ēnāntiōp'athy, n. = ALLOPATHY. [f. *Gk enantios* opposite + -PATHY]

ēnārthrōs'is, n. (anat.). Ball-&-socket joint. [Gk, f. *EN(arthros* f. *arthron* joint), -OSIS]

en blōc (ahh), adv. In a lump, wholesale. [F]

ēncaen'ia (-sēn-), n. Dedication festival; (Oxf.) = COMMEMORATION. [L, f. *Gk ephainia* (EN- + *kainos* new)]

ēncāge', in-, v.t. Confine(as) in cage. [EN-] **ēncāmp'**, v.t. & i. (Of troops) settle (t. & i.) in camp; lodge (l. & i.) in the open in tents. [EN-]

ēncāmp'ment, n. In vbl senses; also, place where troops are encamped. [-MENT]

ēncāse', in-, v.t. Put into a case; surround as with a case. Hence **~MENT** (-sm-) n. [EN-]

ēncāsh', v.t. Convert (bills etc.) into cash; receive in form of cash, realize. Hence **~MENT** n. [EN-]

ēncaus'tic, a. & n. (Painting, art of painting) by burning in; ~ *brick, tile*, (inlaid with coloured clays burnt in). [f. *Gk epkaustikos* f. *epkaio* EN- + *kaiō* burn]

-ence, suf. forming nn. of quality or action f. *F -ence* or direct f. *L. -entia* f. *L. pres. part. in -enti-* (nom. -ens); rarely repr. *L. -entia* f. adj. in -*lentus* (corpulence); see -ANCE, -ENCY.

enceinte (see *Ap.*), a. & n. 1. (Of women) pregnant. 2. n. Enclosure (in fortification). [F]

encéphal'ic, a. Of the brain. So **encéphalitis** n., inflammation of the brain (see *SICKNESS*). [f. Gk *ekkephalon* brain (EN- + *kephale* head) + -IC]

enchain', v.t. Chain up, fetter; hold fast (attention, emotions). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF EN(*chain*er CHAIN)]

enchant' (-ah-), v.t. Bowitch (lit. & fig.); charm, delight. Hence or cogn. ~ER¹, ~MENT, ~RESS¹, nn., ~ingly² adv., (-ah-). [f. F *enchanter* f. L IN(*cantare* sing, frequent, of *canere cant*-)]

enchirid'ion (-k-), n. Handbook. [Gk (*egkheir*-), f. *en* in, *kheir* hand]

encir'cle, v.t. Surround, encompass, (with); form a circle round. [EN-]

en clair (ahn), phr. (Of telegrams, official messages, etc.) in ordinary language (not in code or cipher). [F]

enclasp' (-ah-), v.t. Hold in clasp or embrace. [EN-]

enclâve', n. Territory surrounded by foreign dominion. [F, f. *enclaver* f. LL IN(*clavare* f. *clavis* key or *clavus* nail)]

enclit'ic, a. & n. (gram.). (Word) so unemphatic as to be pronounced as part of preceding word, esp. (Gk) throwing its accent back on preceding word. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. L f. Gk *egkklitikos* (EN- + *klinō* lean), see -IC]

enclôse', in-, (-z), v.t. Surround, fence in, (land etc. with, in, walls etc.); shut up in receptacle (esp. something besides letter in envelope); bound on all sides, contain, (esp. Math.); hem in on all sides. [EN-]

enclô'sure (-zher), n. Enclosing (esp. of common land, to make it private property, as *E~ Act*); enclosing fence etc.; enclosed place; paper etc. enclosed with letter in envelope. [F (OF *enclore* p.p. -close), see CLOSE² and -URE]

enclôthe' (-dh), v.t. Clothe. [EN-]

encloud', v.t. Envelop in cloud. [EN-]

encom'm'ast, n. Composer of an encomium; flatterer. Hence **encom'i'ast'ic** a. [f. Gk *egkom'iastēs* (*egkom'iazō*, as foll., -ast = -IST(1) w. vbs in -azō)]

encom'm'ium, n. Formal or high-flown praise. [L, f. Gk *egkom'ion* (EN- + *kōmos* revelry)]

encom'pass (-üm-), v.t. Surround (esp. with friendly or hostile intention); contain. Hence ~MENT n. [EN- + COMPASS n.]

encore (ongkör', & see *Ap.*), int., n., & v.t. 1. (Spectator's or auditor's demand for song etc. to be sung etc.) again, once more; further item given in response. 2. v.t. Demand repetition of (song etc.), ~~number~~ (performer) for this. [(vb f. n.) F, ~still, again, (cf. It. *ancora*) perh. f. L (to) *hanc horam* to this hour]

encounter, v.t., & n. 1. Meet hostilely; fall in with. 2. n. Meeting in conflict, falling in, (with). [(n. f. OF *encontre*) f.

OF *encontrer* f. LL IN(*contrare* f. L *contra* against)]

encou'rag(e-kt-), v.t. Embolden; incite, advise, (person to do); promote, assist, (commerce, opinion, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~EMENT (-kürijm-) n., ~ingly² adv. [f. OF EN(*coragier*, as COURAGE)]

En'cratite (-ë-), n. Member of early Christian heretical sect abstaining from meat, wine, & marriage. [f. LL f. late Gk *egkratitēs* (*egkratēs* continent, -ITE¹)]

encrim'son (-z-), v.t. Make crimson. [EN-]

encroach', v.i. Intrude usurpingly (on others' territory, rights, etc., or abs.). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF EN(*crochier* f. *croc* hook)]

enchrüst', in-, v.t. & i. Cover with a crust; overlay (surface) with ornamental crust of precious material; (v.i.) form into a crust. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *incruster* f. L IN(*crustare*, as CRUST); also f. EN- + CRUST]

encüm'ber, v.t. Hamper (person, movement, action, with burden, difficulty, etc.); burden (person, estate, with debts); fill, block, (place with lumber etc., lit. & fig.). Hence ~MENT n. [f. F EN(*combrer* CUMBER)]

encüm'brance, n. Burden; annoyance; impediment; without ~, having no children; claim, mortgage, etc., on property. [f. OF *encombrance* (as prec., see -ANCE)]

encüm'brancer, n. One who has an encumbrance on another's estate. [-ER¹]
-ency, suf., mod. E different, of -ENCE (-Y¹), usu. denoting quality or state, not action.

encyc'lic(al), aa. & nn. (Pope's letter) for extensive circulation. [f. LL *encyclicus*, for -ius, f. Gk *egkuklios* (EN- + *kuklos* circle)]

encyclop(a)ed'ia (-pë-), n. (pl. -as). Book giving information on all branches of knowledge or of one subject, usu. arranged alphabetically; esp. the French ~ia of Diderot, D'Alembert, and others; general course of instruction. Hence ~IC(AL) aa., ~ISM(3), ~IST(3), nn. [LL, f. false Gk *egkuklopaidēia* for *egkuklios paidēia* all-round education (as prec., *paidēia* f. *paidēō* educate f. *país paidōs* boy)]

encyst', v.t. Enclose in a cyst. Hence ~ATION, ~MENT, nn. [EN-]

end', n. 1. Limit, as *there is no ~ to it*; extremity (of line etc.); || *East, West, End* (part of London); surface bounding a thing at either extremity, head of cask etc.; remnant, as *candle ~s*, *odds & ~s*; *rope's ~*, short piece bound at ~s with thread for flogging; *shoemaker's ~*, length of thread armed with bristle. 2. Conclusion (of period, action, state, book, etc.); latter part; destruction; death. 3. Result; purpose, as *to gain his ~s*, to

what ~?; object for which a thing exists, final cause. 4. *Place on ~* (upright); *turn ~ for ~*, reverse; *world without ~*, for ever; *placed ~ to ~* (lengthwise, continuously); *~ on*, with its ~ fronting one; *no ~*, much, many, of; *on ~*, continuously (for three weeks on ~); *be at, come to, an ~*, be, become, exhausted or completed; *in the ~*, finally, after all; *at one's wits' ~*, quite perplexed; *put an ~ to*, stop, abolish; *keep one's ~ up*, acquit oneself well in conversation, bargain, etc.; *go (in) off the deep ~* (sc. of swimming-bath) fig., take risks; *make an ~ of*, put a stop to; *at a loose ~*, unoccupied; *make both ~s meet*, live within one's income; *is at the ~ of his tether*, knows, can do, no more; *~iron*, movable plate changing size of grate in range; *~paper*, blank leaf at beginning and ~ of book. [com.-Teut.: OE *ende*, Du. *einde*, G *ende*]

end¹, v.t. & i. Bring (action, speech, life, etc.) to an end; put an end to, destroy; come to an end; *~ by doing*, eventually do (*will ~ by marrying a duke*); result in; *~ up*, conclude, finish. [OE *endan* (as prec.)]

endām'age, v.t. = DAMAGE. [EN-]

endān'ger (-j-), v.t. Cause danger to. [EN-]

endear', v.t. Render (person, thing, oneself) dear (to). Hence *~ingly¹* adv., *~MENT* n. [EN-]

endeav'our (-dēver), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Try (to do); strive after. 2. n. Attempt (to do, at doing). [(n. f. vb) f. EN- + DEVOIR]

endēm'ic, a. & n. 1. Regularly found among (specified) people, in (specified) country. 2. n. *~ic* disease. Hence *~ically* adv., **endēm'icity** n. [f. Gk EN- + *dēmos* people + -ic]

endērm'ic, a. Acting on the skin. Hence *~ically* adv. [EN- + DERM + -ic]

end'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp. latter part (of word, story, etc.). [-ING¹]

ēn'dive, n. Species of chicory, with curled leaves, used as salad. [F, f. L *intibus*]

ēnd'less, a. Infinite; eternal; incessant; (Mech.) *~ band*, cable, chain (with ends joined for continuous action over wheels etc.). Hence *~ly²* adv., *~NESS* n. [OE *endeleas*, see END¹ and -LESS]

ēn'do- in comb. = Gk *endon* within, as; *~card'ium*, lining membrane of heart; *~cardit'is*, inflammation of this; *~carp*, inmost layer of pericarp; *~crine*, inner surface of skull; *~crine*, secreting internally, ductless, of the *~crine* glands, [Gk *krinō* sift]; *~derm*, inner layer of blastoderm; *~gamous*, *~gamy*, (-ōg-), (of) marrying within the tribe; *~gen*, plant that develops wood in interior of stem; *~genous* (-ōj-), growing from within; *~lymph*, fluid in membranous labyrinth of ear; *~metrit'is*, *~metrit'ium*, (inflammation of) lining membrane of womb;

~morph, mineral enclosed in another; *~pā'rasile*, internal parasite; *~plasm*, *~sarc*, inner soft layer of protoplasm; *~scope*, instrument for viewing internal parts of body; *~skell'eton*, internal framework of vertebrates; *~smōse* (-ōz'm-), *~smōs'is* (-ōzm-), passage of a fluid inwards through a porous septum; *~sperm*, albumen enclosed with embryo in seeds; *~spore*, inner coat of spore, spore formed in a case; *~thel'ium*, layer of cells lining blood-vessels etc.

ēndōrse', in-, v.t. Write on back of (document), esp. sign one's name on back of (bill, cheque, etc.); write (explanation, comment, on back of document); *~ over*, make over one's rights in (bill etc. to another person, also fig.); confirm (statement, opinion), (vulg. in advertisements) confirm advertiser's praise of (—'s pills etc.); || motorist's, publican's, *licence is ~d*, has record of offence written on the back. Hence *~MENT* (-sm-) n. [refash. on L; ME *endosse* f. OF *endosser* f. mod. L IN(*dorsare* f. *dorsum* back)]

ēndow', v.t. Bequeath, give, permanent income to (person, institution); invest (person) with (privileges etc.); furnish (person) with (ability etc.; esp. in p.p.). Hence *~MENT* n. (*~ment assurance*, payment of a fixed sum to an insured person on attaining an agreed age, or to his or her estate if death occurs earlier). [f. EN- + F *douer* f. L *donare* (as DOWER)]

ēndūe', in-, v.t. Put on (clothes etc., also fig.); clothe (person) with; (usu. pass.) furnish (person with qualities etc.). [f. OF *enduire* f. L IN(*ducere* lead, draw), associated in sense w. *induire* put on (clothes)]

ēndūr'ance, n. Habit, power, of enduring; enduring. [-ANCE]

ēndūr'e', v.t. & i. Undergo (pain etc.); submit to; bear (to do, esp. w. neg.); last. Hence *~ABLE* a., *~ingly²* adv., *~ing-NESS* n. [f. OF *endurer* f. L IN(*durare* make hard f. *durus*)]

ēnd'ways, -wise, (-z), adv. With the end turned towards the spectator or uppermost or foremost; end to end. [-WAYS, -wise]

-ēne, suf. forming names of hydrocarbons, as *benzene*, *camphene*.

ēn'ema (or *inē*), n. Injection of liquid or gaseous substance into the rectum; the syringe used. [Gk *ēnēma* f. EN(*hiēmi* send), see -I]

ēn'emy, n. & a. 1. Hostile person; opponent (of, to, another); *the E-*, the Devil; member of hostile army or nation; hostile force or ship; (colloq.) *how goes the ~?*, what is the time? 2. adj. Of, or belonging to, the ~ (~ *ships, aircraft, alien*; *destroyed by ~ action*). [f. OF *enemi* f. L IN(*amicus* = *amicus* friend)]

ēnergēt'ic, a. & n. Stronically active; forcible, vigorous; powerfully operative;

(n. pl.) science of energy. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *energētikos* f. *EN*(*ergeō* f. *ergon* work), see -IC]

enér'gic, a. (rare). = prec. [f. ENERGY + -IC]

en'ergize, v.t. & i. Infuse energy into (person, work); be in active operation. [-IZE]

enér'gum'en, n. Demoniac; enthusiast, fanatic. [f. LL f. Gk *energoumenos* (pass. part., see ENERGETIC)]

en'ergy, n. 1. Force, vigour, (of speech, action, person, etc.); active operation; (pl.) individual powers in exercise, as *devote your energies to this*; (latent) ability. 2. (Physics) *actual, kinetic, motive*, ~, a body's power of doing work by virtue of its motion (half product of mass into square of velocity); *potential, static, latent*, ~, body's power of doing work by virtue of stresses resulting from its relation to other bodies; CONSERVATION of ~; *mass* ~, ~ which all bodies possess in virtue of their mass (half product of mass into square of velocity of light), and of which a small portion is released (as radiations etc.) in radioactivity and other types of atomic disintegration. [f. LL f. Gk *energeia* f. *EN*(*ergēs* f. *ergon* work)]

enér've'ate, a. Wanting in (physical, moral, literary, artistic) vigour. [f. L *EN*(*nervare* f. *nervus* sinew), see -ATE³]

en'erv'iate, v.t. Weaken (physically etc. as prec.). So ~A'TION n. [as prec., -ATE³]

en'face, v.t. Write, print, stamp (form of words) on bill etc.; do this to (bill etc.). Hence ~MENT (-sm-) n. [EN-]

en famille (ahn fóm'e'ye), adv. At home, among one's family. [F]

enfant terrible (see Ap.), n. Child who asks awkward questions, repeats what he has heard, etc. [F]

enfee'ble, v.t. Make feeble. Hence ~MENT (-belm-) n. [f. OF *EN*(*feblir* as *VEERLE*)]

enfeoff' (-tēf), v.t. Invest (person) with fief; (fig.) hand over. [f. OF *EN*(*feffer* (fief))]

enfeoff' ment (-tēf-), n. Enfeoffing; document effecting this; fief. [-MENT]

en fēte (ahn fāt), adv. & pred. a. Engaged in, attired etc. for, holiday-making. [F]

en'fēt't'er, v.t. Blind in fotters (lit. & fig.) enslave (person to). [EN-]

en'fil'de, n., & v.t. 1. Fire from guns etc. sweeping line of works or men from end to end. 2. v.t. Subject (troops, road, etc.) to ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. *EN*(*filer* f. *fil* thread), see -ADE]

en'fōld, in-, v.t. Wrap up (person etc. in, with); clasp, embrace; shape into folds. [EN-]

en'force, v.t. Urge, press home, (argument, demand); impose (action, conduct, upon person etc.); compel observance of (law etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a.

~dly¹ (-sēd-) adv., ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. OF *enforcer* f. LL *IN*(*fortiare* f. *fortis* strong)]

en'frāme', v.t. Set (picture etc.) in frame; serve as frame to. [EN-]

en'frān'chise (-z), v.t. Set free; invest (town) with municipal rights, || esp. that of representation in parliament; admit (person) to electoral franchise. Hence ~ISEMENT (-zm-) n. [f. OF *EN*(*franchir* f. *franc* FRANK a.), see -ISH¹]

en'gā'le (-n-g-), v.t. & i. 1. Bind by contract or promise (esp. of marriage, as ~ed couple). 2. Hire (servant); bespeak (seats, cab, etc.). 3. Pledge oneself (to do, that); ~e for, guarantee, promise. 4. Induce; attract, charm, (esp. in part.), whence ~ingly¹ adv. 5. (Archit.) fasten (pillar) into wall; interlock (thing with another). 6. Hold fast (attention); employ (usu. pass.). 7. Embark in (politics etc.). 8. Bring (troops) into conflict; enter into conflict with (also with). Hence ~e'MENT (-jm-) n. [f. F *EN*(*gager* f. *GAGE*²)]

en garpon (see Ap.), adv. & pred. a. As a bachelor, unmarried. [F]

en'gā'l'and (-n-g-), v.t. Put a garland upon; wreath (with flowers etc.). [EN-]

en'gēn'der (-j-), v.t. Beget (now only fig.); (of situation, condition, etc.) bring about. [f. F *engendrer* f. L *IN*(*generare* GENERATE)]

en'gine (-j-), n., & v.t. 1. Mechanical contrivance consisting of several parts; = STEAM~; FIRE~; machine, instrument, used in war; instrument, means; || ~driver (of steam~, esp. locomotive); ~lathe (worked by machinery); ~sized paper (sized by machine); ~turning, engraving of symmetrical patterns on metals by machine. 2. v.t. Fit (ship etc.) with ~(s). [(vb f. n.) f. OF *engin* f. L *ingenium* (see INGENIOUS)]

engineer' (-j-), n. 1. One who designs & constructs military works; soldier of branch of army called E~, trained to engineering. 2. (Also civil ~) one who designs works of public utility, bridges, canals, gas-works, etc.; maker of engines. 3. One who has charge of engine; ~engine-driver. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *engineor* f. LL *ingentialem* (*ingeniare*, as ENGINE, see -OR²)]

engineer' (-j-), v.i. & t. Act as engineer; construct, manage, (bridge, work, etc.) as engineer; (colloq.) arrange, contrive, bring about. [f. prec.]

en'giner'y (-j-), n. Engines; machinery (often fig.). [-ERY]

en'gīn'dle (-n-g-), vv.t. Surround with or as with girdle. [EN-]

Eng'lander (ingg-), n. Little ~, one opposed to imperial policy. [-ER¹]

Eng'lish (ingg-), a. & n. 1. Of England; the ~ (people, soldiers, etc.); ~man, ~woman, one who is ~ by birth, descent, or naturalization. 2. Of, written or spoken in, the ~ language. 3. n. The ~

language (also *the king's, queen's, ~, as mishandle the king's ~*); *Old ~*, (ending about 1150), *Middle ~* (ending 1500); *in plain ~*, in plain words. 4. Size of type; *Early ~* STYLE. [OE *englisc, englic* f. O'out. *englioko* (angli- ANGLE²)]

|| **eng'lish**¹ (ingg-), v.t. (arch., affected). Render into English. [f. prec.]

engörge, v.t. Devour greedily; (pass.) be crammed, (Path.) be congested with blood. Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n. [f. F *EN-gorger* GORGE]

engraft, in-, (-ah-), v.t. Insert (scion of one tree into, upon, another); implant (principles etc. in the mind etc.); incorporate (thing into another); add (adventitious thing upon). [EN-]

engraill, v.t. Indent the edge of, give serrated appearance to, (esp. Her.). [f. OF *engresler* perh. f. *gresle* hall]

engrain, in-, v.t. Cause (dye etc.) to sink deeply into a thing (usu. fig.); (p.p., cf. INGRAINED) inveterate, as *an ~ed rogue*. [EN-]

engrave, v.t. Inscribe, ornament, (hard surface with incised marks); carve (figures etc. upon surface); (fig.) impress deeply (upon memory etc.); cut (figures etc.) in lines on metal plates for printing. [EN- + GRAVE²]

engraving, n. In vbl senses, esp. copy of picture etc. from engraved plate. [-ING¹]

engröss, v.t. Write (document) in large letters; express in legal form. (Hist.) buy whole stock of (corn etc.) so as to get monopoly; monopolize (conversation etc.); absorb (person, his attention, time, etc.); esp. in p.p. ~ed in subject etc.). Hence ~MENT n. [(1) f. AF *engrosser* (*grosse* f. med.L *grossa* large writing); (2) f. phr. in gross wholesale]

engulf, in-, v.t. Plunge into, swallow up (as) in, a Gulf. Hence ~MENT n. [EN-]

enhance (-hah-, -hä-), v.t. Heighten, intensify, (qualities, powers, etc.); exaggerate; raise (price). Hence ~MENT (-hahnm-) n. [f. AF *enhancer* prob. corrupt. of OF *enhauer* f. LL *in(altiare* f. *altus* high)]

enhärmön['ic, a. (mus.). Of, having, intervals smaller than semitone (esp. such intervals as that between G sharp & A flat). Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. L f. Gk *enharmonikos* (*harmonia* HARMONY, see -IO)]

énig'ma, n. Riddle; puzzling person or thing. Hence or cogn. **énigmát'ic**(al) a., **énigmát'ically** adv., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. L f. Gk *ainigma* -málos f. *ainissomai* speak allusively (*ainos* fable)]

énisle, in-, (-il), v.t. (poet.). Make into an isle; place on an isle; isolate. [EN-]

énjamb'ment (-m-m-), n. (pros.). Continuation of sentence beyond second line of couplet. [f. F *enjambement* f. EN(*jamber* f. *jambe* leg), see ~MENT]

enjoin, v.t. Prescribe, impose, (action, conduct, on person); command (person

to do); issue instructions (*that*); (Legal, esp. U.S.) prohibit by judicial order. [f. F *enjoindre* (st. *-joign-*) f. L IN(*jungere* join)]

enjoy, v.t. ~ oneself, experience pleasure; take delight in, whence ~ABLE a., ~ableness n., ~ably¹ adv.; have the use of (advantages etc.); experience, as ~ poor health. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *EN(joier* f. *joie* JOY) give joy to, (refl.) enjoy; or f. OF *EN(joier* f. L *gaudere* rejoice)]

énkin'dle, v.t. Cause (flame, passions, war, etc.) to blaze up; inflame with passion. [EN-]

énlâce, v.t. Encircle tightly; enfold; entwine. Hence ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. F *enlacer* f. LL IN(*laciare* f. *laci*us = laqueus noose)]

énlarge, v.t. & i. Increase, extend; widen, expand, (mind, heart, ideas); (arch.) release; grow larger; expatiate upon; (Photog.) reproduce, be capable of reproduction, on larger scale. Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n., (esp.) such photographic reproduction, **énlar'ger**¹ n., apparatus for enlarging or reducing negatives or positives. [f. OF *enlarger* (LARGE)]

énlight'en (-it-), v.t. Instruct, inform, (person on subject); (poet.) shed light on (object), give light to (person); free (person) from prejudice or superstition (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~MENT (-it-) n. [EN- + LIGHT n. + -EN¹]

énlink, v.t. Link together, connect closely, (*with, to*; lit. & fig.). [EN-]

énlist, v.t. & i. Engage (t. & i.) for military service; secure the co-operation or support of (persons, feelings, natural forces, sciences, etc., in enterprise etc.). Hence ~MENT n. [EN-]

énliv'en, v.t. Animate, inspirit, (persons, feelings, trade, etc.); brighten (picture, scene). [EN- + LIFE + -EN¹]

en masse (ahh), adv. In a mass; all together. [F]

énmësh, émm-, imm-, v.t. Entangle in or as in a net. Hence **énmësh'ment** n. [EN-]

én'mity, n. Hatred; state of hostility. [f. OF *enemistie* f. LL *inimicitatem* (as ENEMY, see -TY)]

énn'ead, n. Set of nine (discourses, books, points). [f. Gk *ennas* nine, see -AD]

énnö'ble, v.t. Make (person) a noble; make noble, elevate. Hence ~MENT (-belm-) n. [f. F *ennobler* (NOBLE)]

ennul (ön'wé, & see Ap.), n. Mental weariness from lack of occupation or interest. Hence ~ED¹ (önwéd'), **ennuyé** (see Ap., fem. -ée, pl. -és, -ées), a. [F, f. L in odio, cf. ANNOY¹]

énorm'ity, n. Monstrous wickedness; crime. [f. F *énormité* f. L *enormitatem* (as foll., see -ry)]

énorm'ous, a. Huge, very large, as ~ beast, difference. Hence ~ry² adv., ~ness n. [f. L *enormis* f. *norma* pattern, standard] + -OUS]

enough' (enúf'), (poet.) énow', a., n., & adv. Not less than the required number, quantity, degree, as: (adj.) *we have apples ~, ~ apples, beer ~, ~ beer, he made ~ noise* (to justify supposition etc.), *~ noise to wake the dead, for his purpose*; (n.) *we have ~ of everything except beer, ~ of (stop) this folly, ~! (say no more), ~ is as good as a feast, cry ' ~ ' (acknowledge defeat), I have had ~ (am tired) of him, I had ~ to do (my work cut out) to catch the tram, you have done more than ~, ~ and to spare*; (pred.; adj. or n.) *five men are ~, five quarts is not ~; (adv.) it is boiled (just) ~, he does not advertise ~, are you warm ~?, he does not ~ (usu. sufficiently) realize the difficulties, she sings well ~ (tolerably), you know well ~ (quite well) what I mean; oddly ~ (to justify the term oddly), he had lost his purse; sure ~ (to satisfy rational doubt), there it was.* [OE *genôg* (Du. *genoeg*, G *genug*) f. *geneah* it suffices f. O'out. *ga-* pref. + *nah* f. Aryan *nak* seen in *L nancisci nact-* obtain]

enounce', v.t. Enunciate; pronounce (words). Hence ~MENT (-em-) n. [f. F *énoncer* (as ENUNCIATE)]

en passant (see Ap.), adv. By the way; (Chess) *take* (pawn that advances two squares at once) ~ (with your own pawn by which it could have been taken if it had advanced only one). [F]

en prise (ahh préz), phr. (Chess). In a position to be taken. [F]

|| **enquire, enquiry**. See INQUIRE, INQUIRY.

énrage', v.t. Make furious (~d at, by, with). [f. OF *énrager* (RAGE)]

en rapport (ahh rapôtr'), adv. In touch (with). [F, see RAPPORT]

énrap'ture, v.t. Delight intensely. [EN-]

énrégiment (-jm-), v.t. Form (men) into a regiment; discipline. [f. F *énrégimenter* f. *régiment* REGIMENT]

en règle (ahh rāgl), adv. In due form. [F]

énrich', v.t. Make rich; add to contents of (collection, museum, book); make richer in quality, flavour, etc. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *énrichir* f. *riche* RICH]

énrobe', v.t. Put a robe upon. [EN-]

énrôl', -ll, v.t. (-ll-). Write name of (person) on list, esp. of army; incorporate (person) as member (in society etc.); enter (deed etc.) among rolls of court of justice; record, celebrate. Hence **énrôl'**-MENT n. [f. OF *énroller* f. *rolle* ROLL n.]

en route (ahh rôôt), adv. On the way (to, for, place etc. or abs.). [F]

ens (enz), n. (pl. *entia*, pr. é'n'shla). An entity (esp. as an abstract notion). [LL; as ENTITY]

|| **En'sa** (s-), n. Organization for entertaining troops etc. [Initials of Entertainments National Service Association]

énsâm'ple, n. (arch.). = EXAMPLE. [earlier *acasymp* f. OF *exsample* EXAMPLE]

énsäng'uined (-nggwind), a. Blood-

stained, bloody, (lit. & fig.) [EN-+L *sanguis* -ints blood + -ED']

énsconce', v.t. Establish (oneself etc. in secret, safe, snug, etc., place). [EN-]

ensemble (see Ap.), n. (Also *tout* ~) thing viewed as a whole; general effect; (Mus.) concerted passage in which all performers unite (*good* ~, performance of such passage in which all performers are in tune & time with one another, with blend & balance of tone). [F]

énshrine', v.t. Enclose (relic etc.) in shrine; serve as shrine for (precious thing, lit. & fig.). Hence ~MENT (-nm-) n. [EN-]

énshroud', v.t. Cover completely, hide from view. [EN-]

én'siform, a. Sword-shaped; ~ *cartilage* (appended to the sternum). [f. L *ensis* sword + -FORM]

én'sign (-fn), n. 1. Badge (of office etc.); banner, flag, || esp. (Brit. naut.) white, blue, or red, flag with union in corner (*white* ~, of Royal Navy & Royal Yacht Squadron, *blue* ~, of naval reserve etc., *red* ~, of merchant service). 2. Standard-bearer (formerly, lowest commissioned officer of foot, cf. ANCIENT²), whence ~CY (-fn-) n. [f. OF *enseigne* f. L *insignia* neut. pl. of *insignis* (signum sign) conspicuous]

én'silage, n., & v.t. Preservation of green fodder in silo or pit without drying; fodder thus preserved; (v.t.) *treat* (fodder) by ~. [(vb f. n.) F (as foll., see -AGE)]

énsile', v.t. Put (fodder) into a silo. [f. F *énsiler* f. Sp. *ensilar* (SILO)]

énslave', v.t. Make (person etc.) a slave (lit., or fig. to habit, superstition, etc.). Hence ~MENT (-vm-) n. [EN-]

énsláv'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. woman by whose charms a man is enslaved. [-ER']

énsnare', v.t. Entrap (lit. & fig.). [EN-]

énsoul' (-sôl), in-, v.t. Infuse a soul into. [EN-]

énsphère', v.t. Encircle, enclose. [EN-]

énsue', v.i. & t. Happen afterwards; result (*from, on*); (Bibl.) seek after. [f. OF *ensuire* f. LL *in(sequere)* = L *sequi* follow]

énsure' (-shoor), v.t. Make (person, thing) safe (*against, from, risks*); make certain (thing, *that* it shall happen); secure (thing to, for, person etc.); (formerly)=INSURE. [f. AF *EN(seurer* f. OF *seur* SURE)]

énswâthe' (-dh), v.t. Bind, wrap, in bandage (lit. & fig.). Hence ~MENT (-dhm-) n. [EN-]

-ent, suf. forming adj. & nn., repr. L *enti-* (nom. -ens) of pres. part. in 2nd, 3rd, & 4th conj]. See -ANT. For noun meanings (1, 2) see -ANT.

éntâb'lature, n. (archit.) The part of an order above the column, including architrave, frieze, & cornice. [f. It. *intavolatura* f. *in(tavolare* f. *tavola* TABLE, see -URE)]

éntâ'blement (-belm-), n. Horizontal platform(s) supporting statue, above

dado & base. [F, f. **ENTabler** (TABLE), see -MENT]

entail'¹, n. Settlement of succession of landed estate so that it cannot be bequeathed at pleasure; estate so secured; (fig.) inalienable inheritance (of qualities, beliefs, etc.). [f. foll.]

entail'², v.t. Settle (land etc.) as in prec.; bestow (thing) as inalienable possession (on person); impose (expense, labour, on person); necessitate. Hence ~MENT n. [EN- + TAIL¹]

entāng'le (-nggl), v.t. Catch in snare or among obstacles; involve (person etc.) in difficulties; make (thing) tangled or intricate (lit. & fig.). Hence ~MENT (-nggel-m) n., (also, Mil.) barrier erected to impede the enemy's progress (esp. one formed of stakes and interlaced barbed wire). [EN-]

en'tasis, n. (archit.). Slight convexity of a column shaft (introduced to correct the visual illusion of concavity). [Gk, f. *enteinō* to stretch]

entél'echy (-kl), n. (philos.). Realization, the becoming or being actual of what was potential, developed perfection, (*Aristotle defines the soul, the Form or E~ of an organized body*); what gives perfection, informing spirit. [f. Gk *entelekheia* (*en telei ekhein* to be in perfection)]

entéll'us, n. (Also ~monkey) the sacred Indian bearded monkey. [proper name (Virg. *Aen.* v. 437-72)]

entente (see Ap.), n. (diplom.). Friendly understanding between States; group of States in such relation; *E~ cordiale*, of Gt Britain & France 1904; *the (Triple) E~*, of these with Russia 1908; *the Little E~*, of Czecho-Slovakia, Jugo-Slavia, & Roumania 1921. [F, = understanding]

en'ter, v.i. & t. 1. v.i. Go, come, in, (into place, room, etc., or abs.); (3rd pers. Imperat. as stage direction) come upon stage, as *E~ Macbeth*; ~ *into*, engage in (conversation, relations, agreement, inquiry, etc.), sympathize with (person's feelings etc.), form part of (calculations, plans, etc.), bind oneself by (recognizances, treaty, contract); ~ (upon), assume possession of (property), begin (process etc.), begin to deal with (subject). 2. v.t. Go, come, into (place etc.); penetrate (flesh etc.); become member of (army, church, etc.); give initial training to (dog), break in (horse); write (name, details, etc., in list, book, etc.); record name of (person) as competitor for (contest, race, etc.); also intr., announce oneself as competitor; ~ *an appearance*, show oneself at a meeting etc.; (of minority in deliberative body, esp. House of Lords) ~ *a protest*, record it in journals or minutes, make it; admit, procure admission for, (pupil, member of a society); ~ *up*, complete series of entries in (account-books etc.). Hence

~ABLE a. [f. F *entrer* f. L *intrare* (*intrare* within)]

enté'ric, a. & n. Of the intestines; ~ (*fever*), typhoid. So **enté'ritis** n. [f. Gk *enterikos* (*enteron* intestine, see -IC)]

en'tero- in comb. = Gk *enteron* intestine, as ~*lite*, stony concretion of stomach etc., ~*tonny* (-ōt-) cutting open intestine.

en'terprise (-z), n. Undertaking, esp. bold or difficult one; courage, readiness, to engage in ~s, as *he has no ~*. [f. OF *entreprise* f. *entreprendre* (*entre* between + *prendre* take f. L *pre(hendere)*)]

en'terprising (-z), a. Ready to undertake enterprises. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [part. of arch. vb *enterprise* (f. prec.)]

entertain', v.t. Maintain (correspondence, discourse); amuse, occupy agreeably, (person etc., often iron.), whence ~ING¹ a., ~INGLY¹ adv.; receive hospitably (~ *angels unawares*, see *Heb.* xiii. 2; also abs., as *they ~ a great deal*); harbour, cherish, welcome or consider, (idea, feeling, proposal). [f. F *entretenir* f. LL *INTER(tenere)* hold]

entertain'ment, n. In vbl senses, esp.: amusement, as *much to my ~*; public performance or show (|| ~ *taz*, one levied on attendance at these). [-MENT]

enthral(l)' (-awl), v.t. (-ll-). Enslave (usu. fig.); charm. Hence **enthral'ment** (-awl-) n. [EN-]

enthronē', v.t. Place (king, bishop, etc.) on throne, esp. as formal induction (also fig.). Hence ~MENT (-nm-) n. [EN-]

enthronizā'tion, n. Enthronement (lit. & fig.). [f. obs. vb *enthronize* f. OF *intriniser* f. LL (*in-*) f. Gk *EN(thronizō* as *THRONE*, -ize)]

enthūse' (-z), v.i. (colloq.). Show enthusiasm, gush. [back-formation on foll.]

enthū'siāsm (-z-l), n. Ardent zeal (*for*, about, an object, cause, etc.). [f. LL f. Gk *enthousiasmos* f. *enthousiaō* f. *enthousia* f. *EN(theos)* god] possessed by a god]

enthū'siāst (-z-l), n. One who is full of enthusiasm (*for* cause etc.), whence ~IC a., ~ICALLY adv., (-ziās-) visionary, self-deluded person. [f. Gk *enthousiastēs* (as prec.)]

en'thymēme, n. (logic). Syllogism in which one premise is suppressed. [f. L f. Gk *enthymēma* f. *ENTHymēma* consider (*thymos* mind)]

entice', v.t. Allure (person etc. *from* place, course of conduct, etc., *into* another; *to* do). So ~MENT (-sm-) n. [f. OF *enticier* prob. lit. set on fire (L *titio* firebrand)]

entī're, a. & n. Whole, complete; not broken or decayed; not castrated; unqualified, as ~ *affection*; mere, as an ~ *delusion*; all of one piece, continuous; pure, unmixed; (n., hist., & on inn-signs) blend of former ale, beer, & twopenny. Hence ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. OF *entier* f. L *IN(teger)*, f. *tag-, tangere* touch]

entī'rely (-fll), adv. Wholly; solely. [-LY¹]

entire'ty (-tīt), n. Completeness, esp., in its ~y; sum total (of); (Law) possession by ~ies (undivided). [f. OF *entiereté* f. L *integritatem* (as ENTER, see -TY)]

entī'tle, v.t. Give (book etc.) the title of (sultan etc.); (of circumstances, qualities, etc.) give (person etc.) a claim to a thing, to do). [f. OF *entiteler* f. LL *intitulare*, as TITLE]

ēn'titŷ, n. A thing's existence, as opp. to its qualities or relations; thing that has real existence. So **ēn'titativē** a. [f. LL *entitās* (ens) LL part. of *esse* be, suggested by *absens*; see -TY]

ēn'to- in comb. = Gk *entos* within, as -*pa'rasite*, -*zo'on*, internal parasite, -*phyte*, plant growing inside a plant or animal.

ēntomb' (-ōm), v.t. Place in tomb (lit. & fig.); serve as tomb for. Hence ~MENT (-ōm-m-) n. [f. OF *entoumber* (as TOMB)]

ēntōm'ic, a. Of insects. [as foll. + -IO]
ēntomo- in comb. Insect, as: ~*lile* (-ōm), fossil insect, ~*phagous* (-ōf), insect-eating, ~*philous* (-ōf), (Bot.) fertilized by means of insects, ~*tomy* (-ōt), insect anatomy. [f. Gk *ēntomos* f. *temnō* cut] out up, in neut. pl. = insects]

ēntomōl'ogŷ, n. Study of insects. Hence **ēntomolō'gical** a., ~IST n., ~IZE v.i. [f. F *entomologie* -LOGY]

entourage (see Ap.), n. Surroundings; attendant persons. [F]

en-tout-cas (ahn too kah), n. Umbrella-sunshade. [F, lit. in any case]

entr'acte (see Ap.), n. (Performance in) interval between acts of play. [F]

ēn'trāils (-z), n. pl. Bowels, intestines; (fig.) inner parts (of the earth etc.). [f. OF *entraille* f. LL *intitalia* (neut. pl. taken in F as fem. sing.) f. *inter* among]

ēn'train', v.t. & i. Put (esp. troops), get, into a train. [EN-]

ēn'trāmm'el, v.t. (-ll-). Entangle, hamper. [EN-]

ēn'trance¹, n. Coming or going in; coming of actor upon stage; entering *into*, upon (office etc.); right of admission; (in full ~ fee) fee paid on admission to club, school, etc.; door, passage, etc., one enters by. [OF (as ENTER, -ANCE)]

ēn'trance² (-ah-), v.t. Throw into a trance; overwhelm (with joy, fear); carry away as in trance (*from, to*). Hence ~MENT (-ahnsm-) n. [EN-]

ēn'trant, n. One who enters room, profession, etc., or for (race etc.). [F, part. as ENTER]

ēn'trāp', v.t. (-pp-). Catch in or as in trap; beguile (person to destruction etc., *into doing*). [f. OF *entrapper* TRAP¹]

ēn'treat', v.t. (Also ~ of) ask (person) earnestly (*to do, that*), whence ~ingly² adv.; (Bibl.) *evil* ~, treat ill. [f. OF *entratier* TREAT]

ēn'treat'ŷ, n. Earnest request. [prec. + -Y⁴]

ēntrechāt (ō'ntrēshah), n. Striking together of the heels several times during leap from ground, in dancing. [F]

ēntrecōte (ō'ntrēkōt), n. (cookery). Steak cut off the ribs. [F]

ēntrée (ō'ntrā, & see Ap.), n. Right; lege, of admission; || made dish between fish & joint. [F, = ENTRY]

ēntremets (see Ap.), n. A side dainty. [F]

ēn'trench', in-, v.t. & i. Surround (post, army, town) with trench (also fig., esp. oneself); (rarely) encroach, trespass, upon. Hence ~MENT n. [EN-]

entre nous (see Ap.), adv. Between you & me. [F]

ēntrepôt (see Ap.), n. Storehouse for deposit; commercial centre for import & export, collection & distribution. [F]

entrepreneur (ahntreprenēr'), n. Person in effective control of commercial undertaking. [F]

ēntresol (see Ap.), n. Low storey between first & ground floor. [F]

ēn'tropŷ, n. (physics). Measure of the unavailability of a system's thermal energy for conversion into mechanical work. [f. EN- + Gk *tropē* transformation (*trepō* turn), on *energy*]

ēn'trust', in-, v.t. Charge (person) with (duty, object of care); confide (duty, person, thing, its safety, to person). [EN-]

ēn'try, n. 1. Coming or going in; ceremonial entrance; (Law) taking possession; place of entrance, door, gate, lobby, mouth of river. 2. Registration in records, account-books, etc.; item so entered; *bookkeeping by double, single*, ~ (in which each item is entered twice, once, in ledger); list of competitors for race etc. [f. F *entrée* f. LL *intrata* (as ENTER, cf. -ADE)]

ēntwine', in-, v.t. Interweave (lit. & fig.); wreathe (thing with, about, round, another); embrace. [EN-]

ēntwist', in-, v.t. Clasp with, form into, a twist; twist (thing) in with (another). [EN-]

ēnūc'lē'āte, v.t. Explain, clear up; (Surg.) extract (tumour etc.) from shell etc. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *nucleare* f. NUCLEUS]

ēnūm'er|āte, v.t. Count; specify (items). Hence or cogn. ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *numerare* NUMBER²]

ēnūn'ciāte (-shi-), v.t. Express definitely (proposition, theory); proclaim; pronounce (words). So ~ATION (-si-), ~ATOR² (-shi-), nn., ~ATIVE (-sha-) a. [f. L *nuntiare* announce f. *nuntius* messenger, -ATE²]

ēnūrē', v.i. (& t.). See INURE.

ēnūrēs'is, n. (path.). Incontinence of urine. [f. Gk *enourē* urinate in (en in + *ouron* urine)]

ēnvēl'op, v.t. Wrap up (person, thing, subject, etc., in garment, flames, clouds,

mystery, or w. *flame* etc. as subject); (Mil.) effect the surrounding of (enemy). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *envelopier* (as *envelop*)]

en'velope (or *ën-*), n. Wrapper, covering. (lit. & fig.), esp. folded & gummed cover of letter. [f. F *enveloppe* (as prec.)]

enven'om, v.t. Put poison on or into (weapon, air, etc.); infuse venom into (feelings, words, actions); corrupt (mind etc.). [f. OF *envenimer* as *VENOM*]

en'viab|le, a. Calculated to excite envy (said of desirable thing or its possessor). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. ENVY v. + -ABLE]

en'vious, a. Full of envy; feeling envy of (person, thing). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. OF *envieux* f. L *invidiosus* (as *ENVY*¹, see -OUS)]

envir'on, v.t. (Of persons or things) form a ring, be stationed, round; surround (person, place, etc.) hostilely, protectively, as attendants, etc.; surround (person, thing, with others). [f. F *environner* f. adv. as *ENVIRONS*]

en'vironment, n. Surrounding; surrounding objects, region, or circumstances. [-MENT]

en'viro'ns (-z; or *ën'viro'ns*), n. pl. District surrounding town etc. [f. OF *environ* (n. f. adv.) f. **viron* circuit, cf. *vire* VERE]

en'vi'sage (-z), v.t. Look in the face of; face (danger, facts); contemplate, esp. under particular aspect. Hence ~MENT (-j-m-) n. [f. F *envisager* (VISAGE)]

en'voy¹, n. (arch.). (Author's parting words, esp.) short stanza concluding certain arch. forms of poem (also -ot). [OF, f. *envoier* send (*en voie* on the way f. L *via*)]

en'voy², n. Messenger, representative; esp. minister plenipotentiary, ranking below ambassador & above *chargé d'affaires*. Hence ~SHIP n. [prob. f. F *envoyé*, p.p. as prec.]

en'vy¹, n. Grudging contemplation of more fortunate persons, of, at, their advantages, or abs.; often playfully; object, ground, of this, as *she, her poodle, is the ~ of Bath*. [f. F *envie* f. L *invidia* f. *invidius* f. IN(*videre* see) *envy*]

en'vy², v.t. Feel envy of, as *I ~ him*, ~ *his impudence*, ~ *him his impudence*. [f. F *envier* f. med. L *invidiare* (*invidia* ENVY¹)]

enwind¹, v.t. (Of thing) wind itself round (another). [EN-]

enwomb¹ (-dôm), v.t. Enclose (as) in womb. [EN-]

enwrap¹, in-, v.t. (-pp-). Wrap, enfold, (in; lit. & fig.). [EN-]

enwreath¹ (-dh), v.t. Surround as or (as) with wreath; intertwine. [EN-]

enzoot'ic, a. & n. (Disease) regularly affecting cattle etc. in a particular district or at a particular season. [f. EN(-2), Gk *zōion* animal, -io]

en'syme, n. (chem.). An organic catalyst formed by living cells but not depending

on their presence for its action. [EN(-2) + Gk *zymê*, see *ZYMOSES*]

ē'ocène, a. (geol.). Of the lowest division of Tertiary strata. [f. Gk *ēōs* dawn + *kainos* new]

ēolith'ic, a. Of the period preceding the PALAEOlithic age. [Gk *ēōs* dawn, *lithos* stone]

eon. See *AEON*.

ē'osin, n. Red fluorescent dye-stuff used (esp.) in microscopy and colour-photography. [f. Gk *ēōs* dawn + -IN]

-eous, suf. = L *-eus* + -OUS, forming adj. meaning 'of the nature of', as *ligneous* like wood; a few are f. L nn. direct (*aqueous* f. *aqua*); some add -OUS to -ie (now -ly) as *dulceous*, or are changed f. -tious (*bounteous* f. F *bontif*); *righteous*, *courteous*, are by false anal.

ēozō'ic, a. (geol.). (Of strata) showing the earliest indications of animal life. [Gk *ēōs* dawn, *zōion* animal]

ep- in comb. = EPI- before unaspirated vowels.

ēp'act, n. Age of moon on Jan. 1; excess of solar over lunar year. [f. F *épacte* f. L f. Gk *epaktê* f. EP(*agô* bring) *intercalate*]

ēp'arch (-k), n. Governor, bishop, of an eparchy. [f. Gk EP(*arkhos* ruler)]

ēp'archy (-k-), n. Subdivision of modern kingdom of Greece; diocese in Russian (Greek) Church. [f. Gk *eparkhia* (as prec., see -Y)]

ēpaule'ment (-awim-), n. (fortif.). Breast-work (esp. as flank protection). [F, f. *épaule* protect with ~, f. *épaule* (as foll.)]

ēp'aulēt(te) (-pol-), n. Ornamental shoulder-piece of uniform; (of private soldier) *win his ~s*, earn promotion to rank of officer. [f. F *épaulette* dim. of *épaule* shoulder f. L *epaula*]

épée (âpâ), n. The sharp-pointed duelling-sword, used (blunted) in fencing. [F, = sword]

epergne (êpâr'n), n. Centre ornament (esp. in branched form) for dinner-table to hold flowers or fruit. [?]

êpêxég|ês'is, n. Additional, addition of words to make meaning clear (e.g. 'difficult to do'). So ~ê't'ic(Al) aa., ~ê't'icalr² adv. [Gk (EP- + *EXEGETIS*)]

eph-, pref. = EPI- before h.

êphêbê', n. (Gk Ant.). Citizen aged 18 to 20. [f. L f. Gk EP*hêbos* (*hêbê* early manhood)]

êphêm'era (pl. -ras), -eron (pl. -rons, -ra), nn. Insect living only a day; genus of insects including May-fly; short-lived thing. [f. Gk EP*hêmeros* lasting only a day (*hêmera*)]

êphêm'erial, a. (Of diseases) lasting only a day; (of insects, flowers, etc.) lasting a day or a few days; short-lived, transitory. Hence ~RY (-al²) n. [f. Gk as prec. + -AL]

êphêm'er|is, n. (pl. ~ides, pr. ~r'idês). Astronomical almanac or table. [Gk (-ên-), = calendar (as prec.)]

ēph'od, n. Jewish priestly vestment. [Hob., f. *aphad* put on]

ēph'or, n. One of five Spartan magistrates controlling the kings; (in mod. Greece) overseer. [f. Gk *EPHROS* (*horaō* see)]

ēpi-, pref. = Gk *epi* upon, at, on the ground of, in addition.

ēp'iblāst, n. (biol.). Outermost layer of blastoderm. [f. *EPI* + Gk *blastos* sprout, germ]

ēp'ic, a. & n. (Poem) narrating continuously achievements of one or more heroes, as the *Iliad* & *Odyssey*; fit for recital in an ~, of heroic type or scale; *E~ dialect*, form of Gk in which the ~ poems were written; *national~*, poem, of any form, embodying nation's conception of its past history. Hence ~AL a., ~ally² adv. [f. L f. Gk *epikos* (EPOS, -IO)]

ēpicēd'ium, n. Funeral ode. [f. L f. Gk *epi(kēdeion* f. *kēdos* care)]

ēp'icēne, a. & n. (Lat. & Gk Gram.) denoting either sex without change of gender; for, used by, both sexes; (person) with characteristics of both sexes. [f. L f. Gk *epi(koinos* common)]

ēpicēn'trum, -tre (-ter), nn. Point at which earthquake breaks out. [f. Gk *epi(kentros* a. as CENTRE)]

ēpiclē'sis, -klēs'is, n. Invocation, esp. of the Holy Spirit to consecrate the elements in the Eucharist. [Gk (*EPI*-, *kaleō* call)]

ēp'icūr'e, n. One who is choice & dainty in eating & drinking. Hence ~ISM (2) n. [f. L f. Gk *Epikouros* Epicurus, or *LI*, *epicurius* a.]

ēpicūr'e'an, a. & n. (Follower) of Epicurus, Athenian philosopher (300 B.C.) who taught that highest good was pleasure (i.e. practice of virtue); (person) devoted to pleasure, esp. refined sensuous enjoyment. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [f. L (-eus) f. Gk *Epikoureios* (prec.)]

ēp'icycle, n. (Geom.) small circle rolling on circumference of a greater. Hence **ēpicyc'lic** a. [f. L f. Gk *epi(kuklos* circle)]

ēpicyc'lloid, n. Curve traced by point in circumference of a circle rolling on exterior of another. Hence ~AL (-oid²) a. [prec. + -OID]

ēpideic'tic (-dik-), a. Meant for display. [f. Gk *epideiktikos* f. *epi(deiknumi* show), see -IO]

ēpidēm'ic, a. & n. (Disease, lit. & fig.) prevalent among community at special time, cf. ENDEMIC. Hence ~AL a., ~ally² adv. [f. F *épidémique* f. *épidémie* f. LL f. Gk *epidēmia* f. *epidēmios* a. (*dēmos* people)]

ēpidēm'iōl'ogŷ, n. Science of epidemics. [f. Gk as prec. -LOGY]

ēpidērm'is, n. Outer layer of skin of animals, cuticle; outer animal integument of shell; true skin of plant below cuticle. Hence ~AL, ~IC, ~OID, **ēpidērm'oid** AL, aa. [Gk *epidermis* (DERM)]

ēpidi'ascōpe, n. Optical lantern projecting images of both opaque & transparent objects. [*EPI* + *DIA* + -SCOPE]

ēpigās'tr'ium, n. Part of abdomen immediately over stomach. Hence ~IO a. [f. Gk *epigastriōn* (*gaster* stomach)]

ēp'igēne, a. (Geol.) produced on surface of earth; (of crystal) chemically altered since its formation. [f. F *épigène* f. Gk *epi(genēs* born)]

ēpigēn'esis, n. Formation of organic germ as a new product; *theory of~* (that the germ is brought into existence, not merely developed, in process of reproduction). [*EPI*-]

ēpiglōtt'is, n. Erect cartilage at root of tongue, depressed during swallowing to cover glottis. Hence ~IO a. [Gk *epi-(glōttis* f. *glōtta* tongue)]

ēp'igrām, n. Short poem ending in witty turn of thought; pointed saying or mode of expression. So **ēpigrammāt'ic** a., **ēpigrammāt'ically** adv., **ēpigrammātist**(3) n., **ēpigrammātize**(1, 2) v.t. & i. [f. F *épigramme* f. L f. Gk *epi-(gramma* -GRAM)]

ēp'igraph (-ahf), n. Inscription on stone, statue, coin, etc., whence **ēpigraph'ic** a., **ēpigraphist** (2), **ēpigraph'r**, nn.; motto. [f. Gk *epi(graphē* f. *graphō* write)]

ēp'ilēpsy, n. Nervous disease in which patient falls to ground unconscious, with or without convulsions. [f. OF *epilepsie* f. L f. Gk *epilēpsia* f. *epi(lambanō* take)]

ēpilēp'tic, a. & n. Of epilepsy; (person) subject to epilepsy. [f. F *épileptique* f. L f. Gk *epilēptikos* (as prec.)]

ēpil'ogist, n. Writer, speaker, of epilogue. [f. foll. + -IST]

ēpil'ogue (-g), n. Concluding part of literary work; speech, short poem, addressed to spectators by actor at end of play. [F, f. L f. Gk *epi(logos* speech)]

ēpiph'anŷ, n. Manifestation of Christ to the Magi; manifestation of a superhuman being. [f. OF *epiphanie* f. LL (neut. pl. used as fem. sing.) f. late Gk *epiphania* (neut. pl. adj.) f. *epi(phainō* show); partly also f. Gk *epiphaneia* (*epiphanēs* manifest)]

ēpiphēnōm'ēnon, n. (med., philos.; pl. -ena). Secondary symptom, mere concomitant of something else not regarded as its cause or result. [*EPI*-, PHENOMENON]

ēp'iphŷte, n. Plant growing on (usu. not fed by) another; vegetable parasite on animal body. Hence **ēpiphŷt'AL**, **ēpiphŷt'IC**, aa. [f. *EPI* + Gk *phuton* plant]

ēpīr'ot (i-), n. Inhabitant of Epirus. [f. Gk *epētrōlēs* (*ēpeiros*, -OT²)]

ēpis'copacy, n. Government of church by bishops; the ~, the bishops. [as EPISCO-PATE, -ACY]

ēpis'copal, a. Of bishop(s); ~ church, constituted on principle of prec. Hence

~ISM(S) n., ~LY² adv. [f. F *épiscopal* f. LL *episcopalis* (as BISHOP, see -AL)]
episcopāl'ian, a. & n. (Adherent) of episcopacy; (member) of episcopal church. Hence ~ISM(S) n. [f. L as prec. + -AN]
épiscop'ate, n. Office, see, tenure, of bishop; *the ~*, the bishops. [f. L *episcopatus* (*episcopus* BISHOP, see -ATE¹)]
ép'isódē, n. Part between two choric songs in Gk tragedy (orig. interpolation); incidental narrative or series of events. Hence **ép'isód'ic**(AL) aa., **ép'isód'ically**² adv. [f. Gk *epísōdion* f. *eisodos* entry (cis into + *hodos* way)]
épispás'tic, a. & n. (med.). Blistering (plaster, substance). [f. Gk *epispastikos* f. *epi*(*epao* draw), see -IC]
épistēmō'ogŷ, n. Theory of the method or grounds of knowledge. [f. Gk *epistēmē* knowledge + -ō + -LOGY]
épist'le (-sl), n. Letter (now only loc. of ordinary modern letters), esp. one of an apostle, part of the canon of Scripture; *the ~*, extract from apostolical ~ read in Communion service; literary work, usu. verse, in form of letter. [OF, f. L f. Gk *epistolē* f. *epi*(*stellō* send)]
épistolárŷ, a. Of, carried on by, suited to, letters. [f. F *épistolaire* f. L *epistolaris* (as prec., see -ARY²)]
épist'oler, n. (eccl.). Reader (cf. GOSPELER) of the Epistle. [f. F *épistolier* f. L *epistolaris* as prec., ~-ER¹(1)]
épist'rophē, n. (rhet.). Ending of several sentences or clauses with same word. [Gk *epi*(*strophē* turning f. *strophō*)]
épist'yle, n. (archit.). = ARCHITRAVE. [f. L f. Gk *epistylion* f. *stylos* pillar]
ép'itaph (-ahf), n. Words (supposed to be) inscribed on tomb. [f. L f. Gk *epitaphion* f. *taphos* tomb], neut. adj. as n.]
épithalám'ium, n. (pl. -iums, -ia). Nuptial song or poem. Hence ~IAL, **épithalám'ic**, aa. [f. L f. Gk *epithalamion* f. *thalamos* bride-chamber], neut. adj. as n.]
épithél'ium, n. Tissue forming outer layer of mucous membrane; (Bot.) epidermis formed of young cells. Hence ~IAL a. [mod. L, f. *epi* + Gk *thallē* teat]
ép'ithēt, n. Adjective expressing quality or attribute; significant appellation. Hence ~IC(AL) aa., ~ICALLY² adv., (-ēt). [f. L f. Gk *epitheton* f. *epi*(*tithēmi* place)]
épit'omŷ, n. Summary, abstract, of book; condensed account; (fig.) thing that represents another in miniature, as *man, the world's ~*. Hence ~IST(1) n., ~ISM(S) v.t. [Gk *epitōmē* f. *epi*(*temnō* cut) abridge]
épizō'ōn, n. (pl. -oa). External parasite or commensal. [*epi*, Gk *zōōn* animal]
ép'izōō'tic, a. & n. (Disease) temporarily prevalent among animals (cf. ENZOOTIC, EPIDEMIC). [prec., -IC]
ép'ōch (-k), n. Beginning of era in history, science, life, etc., as *this made an ~*, *an ~ making event*; date; period in history or

life marked by special events. Hence **ép'ochal** (-k) a. [f. LL f. Gk *epokhē* stoppage f. *epēkhō* hold]
ép'ode, n. Form of lyric poem, used by Horace; third division of Greek choral ode. [OF, f. L f. Gk *epōdos* f. *epōdō* sing]
ép'onŷm, n. One who gives his name to a people, place, or institution. So **épōn'ŷmous** a. [f. L f. Gk *epōnumos* f. *onoma* name]
ép'opee, n. Epic poem or poetry. [f. F *épopée* f. Gk *epopoia* f. *epopoios* (fool. + *poieō* make)]
ép'ōs, n. Early unwritten epic poetry; epic poem. [L f. Gk *epos* word, song]
ép'sil'on, n. Greek letter (E, e) ē (cf. ETA). [Gk (*psilos* bare)]
Ep'som (-s), n. Town in Surrey; ~ salt, magnesium sulphate; (used for) race-course at ~, principal race-meeting there held, including Derby and Oaks.
ēq'ua|ble, a. Uniform, even, not easily disturbed. Hence ~BIL'ITY n., ~BLY² adv. [f. L *aequalis* (as EQUATE, -BLE)]
ēq'ual¹, a. & n. 1. The same in number, size, value, degree, etc. (*to, with, or abs.*), as *twice three is ~ to six, the totals are ~*, *talks French & Dutch with ~ ease, the two are ~ in ability*; having strength, courage, ability, etc., adequate to (*the occasion, a cup of tea, doing, etc.*); uniform in operation etc., as ~ *laws*; evenly balanced (*light etc.*); ~ TEMPERAMENT. 2. n. Person ~ to another in rank etc., as *mix with your ~s*, or in power etc., as *he has no ~*; (pl.) ~ things, as *if ~s be added to ~s*. [f. L *aequalis* (*aequus* even, see -AL)]
ēq'ual², v.t. (-ll-). Be equal to (person, thing, in quality, number, etc.). [f. prec.]
ēqual'ity (-dl-), n. Condition of being equal (*between two or more; with person etc. in quality etc.*; usu. abs.); *is on an ~ with*, is on equal terms with. [f. OF *égalité* f. L *aequalitatem* (as EQUAL¹, see -TY)]
ēq'ualiz'e, v.t. & i. Make (thing etc.) equal (*to, with*); (Footb. etc.) bring score to equality with opponent's. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]
ēq'ually, adv. In an equal degree; in equal shares; uniformly. [-LY²]
ēquanim'ity, n. Evenness of mind or temper; composure; resignation. [f. F *équanimité* f. L *aequanimitatem* f. *aequanimis* (*aequus* even + *animus* mind), see -TY]
ēquāte, v.t. State equality of (thing *to, with, another*); treat as equivalent. [f. L *aequare* (*aequus* equal), see -ATE¹]
ēquā'tion, n. 1. Making equal, balancing, (of demand & supply etc.). 2. (Amount or process of) compensation for inaccuracy, as (Astron.) *personal ~*, allowance for individual slowness in noting phenomena (also fig.), ~ (difference between mean & apparent places) of the equinoxes. 3. (Math.) formula affirming equivalence of

two expressions connected by the sign =. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv., (-shon-). [f. L *aequatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

équât'or, n. A great circle of the earth, equidistant from the poles; = EQUINOCTIAL; *magnetic* ~, AGLINIC line. [LL (as prec., -OR²)]

équator'ial, a. Of, near, the equator; ~ telescope (attached to axle revolving in direction parallel to plane of equator). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [-IAL]

|| **équ'erry** (or lkwë'rî), n. Officer of prince or noble charged with care of horses; officer of British royal household. [f. F *écurie* f. med.L *scuria* stable f. OHG *scûr* shed; confused in E with L *equus* horse]

équês'trian, a. & n. 1. Of horse-riding; ~ *status* (of person on horse); (Rom. Ant.) of the order of Equestes or Knights. 2. n. Rider, performer, on horseback. [f. L *equestres* (eques horseman f. *equus* horse) + -AN]

équêstrienne', n. Horsemanship; (esp.) female circus-rider. [pseudo-F, f. prec. with fem. suffix]

équi- in comb. = L *aequus* equal, as ~áng'lar (-ng-), having equal angles.

équidis'tant, a. Separated by equal distance(s). [f. F *équidistant* f. LL *aequidistantem* (see EQUI- & DISTANT)]

équilat'eral, a. Having all the sides equal. [f. LL *aequilateralis* (see EQUI- & LATERAL)]

équilib'râte, v.t. & i. Cause (two things) to balance; balance (t. & i.); counterpoise. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. EQUI- + L *libra* balance + -ATE¹]

équilib'rist, n. Rope-walker, acrobat. [f. F *équilibriste* (*équilibrer* EQUILIBRARE)]

équilib'rium, n. State of balance (lit. & fig.); a *body in stable* ~ (tending to recover ~ after disturbance); neutrality of judgement etc. [L (EQUI-, *libra* balance)]

équimul'tiple, n. (usu. pl.). Number having a common factor with another. [EQUI-]

équ'ine, a. Of, like, a horse. [f. L *equinus* (*equus* horse, see -INE¹)]

équinoct'ial (-shál), a. & n. 1. Of equal day & night; ~ *line*, circle of celestial sphere whose plane is perpendicular to earth's axis; *gales* at or near time of equinox, as ~ *gales*; at, near, the (terrestrial) equator. 2. n. ~ *line*, (pl.) ~ *gales*. [f. L *aequinoctialis* (as foll., see -AL)]

équ'inôx, n. Time at which sun crosses equator & day & night are equal (*vernal* ~, March 20; *autumnal* ~, Sep. 22 or 23); (pl.) two points at which sun crosses equator; *FRESHNESS* of ~es. [f. L *aequinoctium* (nox ~this night, EQUI-)]

équip', v.t. (-pp-). Furnish (ship, army, person, with requisites); provide (oneself etc.) for journey etc. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *équiper*, esp., prob. f. ON *skipa* man (ship) f. *skip* SUP]

équ'ipage, n. Requisites for an under-

taking; outfit for journey etc.; carriage & horses with attendants. [f. F *équipage* (as prec., -AGE)]

équ'ipoise (-z), n., & v.t. 1. Equilibrium (often fig.); counterbalancing thing. 2. v.t. Counterbalance, hold (mind) in suspense. [EQUI-]

équipóll'ent, a. & n. Equal in power, force, etc.; practically equivalent; (n.) ~ent thing. So ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn. [f. OF *equipolent* f. L *aequipollentem* (EQUI-, *pollere* be strong)]

équipón'derâte, v.t. Counterbalance. So ~ANT a. & n. [f. med.L *aequi(ponderare* weigh f. *pondus* -eris weight), see EQUI- & -ATE¹]

équipotén'tial (-shl), a. (physics). In which the potential of a force is the same or constant at all points. [EQUI-]

équitable, a. Fair, just, whence ~LENSS n., ~LY¹ adv.; (of claims etc.) valid in equity as opposed to law. [f. F *équitable* (as EQUITY + -ABLE)]

équité, n. (usu. joc.). Riding on horse; horsemanship. [f. L *equitatio* f. *equitare* f. *eques* -itis horseman f. *equus* horse, see -ATION]

équ'ity, n. 1. Fairness; recourse to principles of justice to correct or supplement law; system of law coexisting with and superseding common and statute law. 2. || (E~) actors' trade union. 3. pl. || Stocks and shares not bearing fixed interest. [f. OF *equité* f. L *aequitatem* (*aequus* fair, see -TY)]

équival'ent, a. & n. 1. Equal in value (to); (of words) meaning the same; (Chem.) equal in combining value (to); having the same result; corresponding. 2. n. ~ent thing, amount, word, etc. So ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn. [f. LL *aequi(valere* be worth), see EQUI- & -ENT]

équiv'ocal, a. Of double meaning, ambiguous; of uncertain nature; ~ *generation* (spontaneous); undecided; (of persons, character, etc.) questionable, suspicious. Hence ~ITY(-ál'-), ~NESS, nn., ~LY¹ adv. [f. LL *aequivocus* (EQUI-, *vocare* call), see -AL]

équiv'ocâte, v.i. Use ambiguous words to conceal the truth, prevaricate. Hence ~A'TION, ~ATOR¹, nn. [f. LL *aequivocare* (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

équ'ivôque (-k), -ôke, n. Pun; ambiguity. [f. LL *aequivocus* EQUIVOCAL]

-er¹, suf. forming esp. agent nn. f. nm. & vbs. Orig. = 'one who has to do with', f. OTeut. -drjos (cf. L *arius* -ARY¹); so E wds as *hatter* & (after -w) *bowyer*, *sawyer*, *lawyer*, & perh. on their anal. *collier*, *grazier*, etc.; also colloq. wds of action, as *header*, *out-d-outter*, and of number, as *fiveer*, *tenner*; add *Londoner*, *foreigner*, etc. As many wds so formed correspond to vbs, -er took agent sense (*clotheser* one connected with cloth, one who clothes), & can now be added to any vb not other-

wise provided (*correspondent, translator*); -or (-our, -ier) & -er may coexist, with or without differentiation (*saviour, -er; assessor, -er*); some wds seem to double -er (*caterer, fruiterer, poulticer*); -er is occas. used to anglicize L -us (*astronomer, geographer, perh. philosopher*). Meanings: (1) person, animal, that does something; (2) instrument, machine, occurrence, etc. (*poker, paper-cutter, deodorizer, eye-opener*); (3) person concerned with thing (*hatter, geographer*); (4) person belonging to place etc. (*Londoner, Britisher*); (5) sl. distortion of word with other ending (*Rugger, Soccer, footer, Rugby, Association, football*).

-er¹, suf. in nn. & adj. f. OF. of various orig., esp.: (1) OF -er f. L -arum -AR¹, as *sampler*. (2) AF -er f. OF -ier f. L -arius -ARY¹, as *butler, carpenter, danger*. (3) OF -eure f. L -aturum = -URZ, as *border*. (4) see -OR¹.

-er², suf. forming comparatives; now (exc. in poetry and mannered prose) only in adj. of one syllable, or of two ending in -y, -ly, -le, -er, -ov, & a few others (esp. w. accent on last syllable; see -EST), & in adv., chiefly those identical with adj., as *hard*; the vowel change seen in German etc. now remains only in *elder, better*. [OE: (adj.) -ra f. OTeut. -izon- & -özon-; (adv.) -or f. OTeut. -ös]

-er³, suf. esp. in Law terms, as *cesser, disclaimer, misnomer, user*; also *dinner, supper*. Meaning: (single instance of) the vbl action, document effecting this. [F infin.]

-er⁴, suf. forming frequent. vbs f. others (*wander, waver, f. wend, wave*) or on sound-imitations (*twitter*); *batter, flicker, shimmer, slumber*.

Er¹a, n. System of chronology starting from some particular point of time, as *Christian ~*, ~ of the HEBRA; historical or other period; date forming commencement of this. [f. LL *aera* number expressed in figures (pl. of *aes aeris* money, treated as fem. sing.)]

éräd'ia'tion, n. Emission of rays. [R-]

éräd'ic'äte, v.t. Tear up by roots; extirpate, get rid of. So ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [f. L *ēradicare* a. *radix* -icis root), -AT¹]

éräse' (-z), v.t. Rub out; obliterate. Hence éräs'ABLE a., éräs'ER' (2), éräs'URZ (-zher), nn. [f. L *ēradere* ras- scrape)]

Eräs'tian (l-), a. n. (Adherent to) of the supposed doctrines of Erastus, subordinating ecclesiastical to secular power. Hence ~ISM (3) n., ~ISM (3) v.t. & i. [f. *Erastus*, Heidelberg physician of 16th c., + -IAN]

ere (är), prep. & conj. (poet., arch.). Before (of time); ~ long, before long; ~while' (arch.), formerly. [OE *ær* (Du. *eer*, G *ehor, ehe*) f. OTeut. *aeris* compar. of *air* adv. early]

E'rëbus (ë-), n. (Gk Myth.). Place of

darkness between earth & Hades. [L, f. Gk *Erebus*]

érëct'¹, a. Upright, not stooping, (lit. & fig.); vertical; (of hair etc.) set up, bristling. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *ērigere* rect- = *regere* direct] set up]

érëct'², v.t. Raise, set upright, (oneself, body, etc.); build (lit. & fig.); form (persons, principles, etc.) *into* (class, system, etc.). [as prec.]

érëc'tile, a. That can be erected; ~ *tissue* in animals (capable of being distended & becoming rigid under excitement). [f. F *erectile* (as *ERECT¹, see -IL)]*

érëc'tion, n. Erecting; building, structure, (lit. & fig.). [f. LL *erectio* (as prec., see -ION)]

érëc'tor, n. Person, thing, that erects, as ~ *muscle*. [-OR¹]

ë'rëmite, n. Hermit (esp. of Christian solitaires from 3rd c. onwards). Hence é'rëmit'ic(al) aa. [f. LL as *HERMIT*]

ë'rëthism, n. (path.). Abnormal excitement (of organ or tissue, fig. of mind). [f. F *éréthisme* f. Gk *erethismos* (erethisio irritate, see -ISM)]

ërg, ërg'ôn, n. (physics). Unit of work or energy. (The work done by unit force, one dyne, on a body which moves 1 cm. in the direction of action of the force.) [f. Gk *ergon* work]

ërgatôc'racý, n. Rule of the workers. [Gk *ergatis* worker, -or-, -CRACY]

ërg'ô, adv. (usu. loc.). Therefore. [L]

ërg'ot, n. Disease of rye etc. caused by fungus; diseased rye seed as medicine. [F, f. OF *argot* cock's spur, f. appearance produced]

ërg'otism, n. = prec.; disease produced by bread made from flour affected by this. [-ISM]

E'rin (ë-), n. (Ancient name of) Ireland.

ëris'tic, a. & n. (Art) of disputation; (of argument or arguer) aimed or aiming at victory rather than truth. [f. Gk *eristikos* (erisô f. *eris* strife, see -IO)]

ëri'king', n. Bearded golden-crowned giant of Teutonic folk-lore who lures little children to the land of death. [f. G *erikönig* alder-king, a mistransl. of Da. *ellerkonge* king of the elves]

ërm'in'e, n. Animal of weasel tribe, whose fur is brown in summer & white (except black tail-tip) in winter; its fur, used in robes of judges & peers (often poet. as emblem of purity), whence ~ED¹ (-nd) a.; (Her.) white marked with black spots. [f. OF (A)ermine (Prov. *ermine*), etym. dub.]

-ern, suf. in northern etc. f. OTeut. -rônjo (-ro- + -ônjo = L -aneus).

ërne, n. Sea eagle or white-tailed eagle. [OE *earn* (Du. *arend*) f. OTeut. *arnus*, cf. Gk *ornis* bird]

ërode', v.t. (Of acids, currents, etc.) gnaw away, destroy gradually, wear out. So ërô'dë' (-zhn) a., ërô's'ive a. [f. F *éroder* f. L *erodere* ros- gnaw)]

erōt'ic, a. & n. Of love, amatory; (n.) ~ poem. [f. Gk *erōtikos* (*erōs* -*ōlos* sexual love, see -*ic*)]

ērōt'omān'ia, n. (path.). Melancholy, madness, arising from love. [f. Gk *erōs* (as prec.) + *-mania*]

ēr, v.i. Make mistakes; (of statements etc.) be incorrect; sin. [f. F *errer* f. L *errare*]

ēr'rand, n. Short journey on which an inferior is sent to carry message etc., as *run, go, (on) ~s, ~boy*; object of journey; purpose. [OE *ærende*, cf. Da. *ærinde*, etym. dub.]

ēr'rrant, a. & n. Roaming in quest of adventure, esp. *knight~*; itinerant; erring, deviating from correct standard; whence **ēr'rancy** n.; (n.) *knight~*. [F (1) f. OF *errer, esrer, edrer*, f. vulg. L *iterare* (iter journey), (2) as ERR; see -ANT]

ēr'rrantr'y, n. Condition, conduct, notions, of a knight-errant. [-RY]

ēr'rāt'ic, a. Uncertain in movement; (of diseases) moving from one part to another; irregular in conduct, habit, opinion; (Geol.) ~ *ic blocks*, stray masses foreign to surrounding strata. Hence ~ *ICALLY* adv. [f. L *erraticus* (as ERR), see -ATIC]

ēr'rāt'um, n. (pl. -*ta*). Error in printing or writing, esp. (pl.) errors noted in list attached to book. [L, neut. p.p. as prec.]

ēr'rōn'eous, a. Mistaken, incorrect. Hence ~ *LY* adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. L *erroneus* (*erro* -*onis* vagabond, as ERR) + *-ous*]

ēr'ror, n. Mistake, as *make, commit, an ~*, *CLERICAL~*; condition of erring in opinion; wrong opinion; *in ~*, *mistakenly*, by mistake; ~ *of a planet*, difference between its observed & calculated positions; (Law) *writ of ~* (to procure reversal of judgement on ground of ~); transgression. Hence ~ *LESS* n. [OF, f. L *errorem* (as ERR, -OR¹)]

erād'it (*ēr-*), n. & a. Substitute. [G]

Erse (*ērs*), a. & n. Highland Gaelic (dialect); (unused & disliked in Ireland for) Irish. [early Sc. form of *Irish*]

ēr'st, adv. (arch.). (Also ~ *while*) formerly, of old. [OE *ærest* superl. of *ær*, see ERR]

ēr'ub'cent (-*rōb-*), a. Reddening, blushing. [f. L *rubescere* incept. of *rubere*, see -ENT]

ēr'uct'ation, n. Belching (lit. & fig., esp. of volcano). [f. L *eructatio* (*eructare*, see -ATION)]

ēr'rudite (-*rōb-*), a. (Of persons & writings) learned. Hence or cogn. ~ *LY* (-*tl-*) adv., **ēr'rud'ition** n., (-*rōb-*). [f. L *rudire* -*it* -*train* (*rudis* rude)]

ēr'rupt, v.i. (Of teeth) break through gums; (of volcano) break out. [f. L *erumpere* *rup'* -*break*]

ēr'up'tion, n. Outbreak (of volcano, whence ~ *AL* (-*shon-*) a.; also of geyser, disease, war, passion, mirth, wit); (Path.) *boiling out* (of rash, pimples, etc.); (of teeth) *breaking through gums*. [f. L *eruptio* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

ēr'up'tive, a. Bursting forth; tending to burst forth; of, formed by, forced up by, volcanic eruption. Hence ~ *LY* adv., ~ *NESS*, **ēr'up'tiv'ity**, nn. [f. F *éruptif, -ise* (as RUPT, see -IVE)]

-er'y, -r'y, suf. forming nouns, orig. after F *-erie*: (a) f. com.-Rom. *-aria* = L *-ario* (F *-ier, -er*) + *-ia* -*Y*¹; F wds in *-ier* usu. denote person having some occupation, wds in *-erie* the class of goods he deals in, as *draperie*, his employment, as *archerie*, his place of work, as *boulangerie*; *-erie* was also used without existing wd in *-ier*, as *soierie* (*soie*) silk goods, *niaiserie* (*niais*) foolishness. (b) f. OF *-ere, -eor* (mod. F *-eur* f. L *-ator* + *-ie*. On anal. of wds thus formed, *-erie* was added to vb stems direct, w. sense class of actions (*tromperie* deceit), occupation (*confiserie* confectioner's business), place of this (*brasserie* brewery). Many E wds are f. F; others are formed on nn. in *-er* (*bakery, fishery, pottery*), or on others (*knavery, slavery, popery*). Meanings: (1) class of goods (*drapery*); (2) employment or condition (*archery, duperly*); (3) place of work or cultivation or breeding (*brewery, vinery, piggery*); (4) conduct (*foolery*); (5) all that has to do with (*popery*), things of the nature of.

ēr'y'sip'elas, n. (Also *St Anthony's fire, the rose*) local febrile disease producing deep red colour on skin. [Gk *crusipelas*, etym. dub.]

ēr'ythem'a, n. Superficial inflammation of the skin in patches. [f. Gk *eruthema* f. *eruthainō* be red (*eruthros*)]

-es, old gent. termination used to give adv. force; appearing as *-s* (*needs*), *-ce* (*once*), & (by confus. w. superl.) *-st* (*against*); also in the emphatic absolute forms *ours, yours, hers*, etc. Often on false anal., as *betimes, besides, nowadays*. **escalād'e**, n. Scaling of walls with ladders. [F, f. Sp. *escalada* f. mod. L *scalare* (*scala* ladder, see -ADE)]

ēs'calātor, n. Moving staircase for carrying passengers up or down. [as *ESCALADE*, -OR¹]

ēs'callōn'ia, n. S.-Amer. genus of flowering shrubs. [*Escallon*, discoverer, -IA¹]

ēs'call'op. See SCALLOP.

ēs'capād'e, n. Breaking loose from restraint; flighty piece of conduct. [F, f. Sp. *escapada* (as *ESCAPE*¹, see -ADE)]

ēs'cāp'e¹, n. Act of escaping; fact of having escaped (a narrow, *hairbreadth*, ~); (means of) mental distraction or relief from reality (also attrib., as ~ *literature, reading*), whence **ēs'cāp'ism** n., **ēs'cāp'ist** n. & a.; leakage (of gas etc.); garden plant growing wild; = *PIKE* ~; ~ *PIPE*, -*valve* (for ~ of steam or water); ~ *shaft* (for ~ of miners when other shaft is blocked), [f. foll.]

ēs'cāp'e², v.i. & t. Get free (from prison, person, etc.); (of steam, fluids, etc.) and

a way out; get off safely, go unpunished; (v.t.) get clear away from (person, his grasp, etc.), avoid (unpleasant thing, doing); elude notice or recollection of, as *his name had ~d me*; (of words) issue unawares from (person, his lips). [f. OF *eschaper*, ONF *escaper* (Sp. *escapar*), f. LL *ex(cappare) f. cappa* cloak]

escape *ment* (-pm-), n. Outlet; (of watch or clock) mechanism connecting motive power & regulator. [-MENT]

escarp, n., & v.t. 1. Steep bank immediately in front of & below rampart; similar natural formation. 2. v.t. Cut into form of ~, so ~MENT n. [(v.b. f. F *escarper*) f. F *escarpe* f. It. *scarpa* SCARP]

-escent, suf. forming adj. f. L part. of inceptive vbs (-escens -ntis), as *effervescent*, & thence in wds usu. describing play of colour, as *iridescent*, *opalescent*, or merely adjectival, as *alkalescent*.

eschalot (*esh-*). See SHALLOT.

eschatol'ogy (*esh-*), n. Doctrine of death, judgement, heaven, & hell. Hence ~olōgICAL a. [f. Gk *eschatos* last + -LOGY]

escheat¹, n. Lapsing of property to crown or lord of manor on owner's dying intestate without heirs; property so lapsing. [f. OF *eschete* f. *escheoir* f. LL *ex(cadere) fall*]

escheat², v.t. & f. Confiscate; hand over (property) as an escheat (to person, into his hands); revert by escheat (to or abs.). [prec.]

eschew (-ō), v.t. Avoid, abstain from, (action, conduct, kind of food, etc.). [f. OF *eschiver* f. com.-Rom. *skivare*, cf. G *scheuen* & SHY¹]

eschscholt'zia (*ishöl-*), n. A plant with usu. yellow flowers, Noah's nightcap. [*Eschscholtz*, explorer, -IA¹]

eschandre (*eshlahn'dr*), n. Scandal; disturbance. [F]

es'cort¹, n. Body of armed men acting as guard to persons, baggage, etc.; person(s) accompanying another on journey for protection or guidance, or for courtesy's sake. [f. F *escortie* f. It. *scorta* f. *scorgere* conduct f. LL +EX(CORRIGERE f. *regere* direct)]

es'cort², v.t. Act as escort to; ~ *carrier*, aircraft carrier for ~ing convoys. [f. prec.]

escribe, v.t. (math.). Describe (circle) so as to touch one side of triangle exteriorly & the other two produced. [f. M + L *scribere* write]

es'critoire (-twahr), n. Writing-desk with drawers etc. for stationery. [F (now *éc-*), f. LL *scriptorium* (as prec., see -ORY)]

escrow (-ō), n. Written legal engagement to do something, kept in third person's custody until some condition has been fulfilled. [AF *escroive* f. OF *escroe* SCROLL]

escüd, n. (pl. -os). Portuguese monetary unit & silver coin worth about 4s. 5d.

at par (applied also to various Spanish-American gold & silver coins). [Sp. & Port., f. L *scutum* shield]

es'culent, a. & n. (Thing) fit for food. [f. L *esculentus* (*esca* food, see -LENT)]

escutch'eon (-chon), n. Shield with armorial bearings; a blot on his ~ (stain on reputation); middle of ship's stern where name is placed; pivoted keyhole-cover. [f. ONF *escuchon* f. LL +*scutlionem* (L *scutum* shield, see -ION)]

-ese, suf. forming adj. (& nn.), f. OF *-eis* = It. *-ese* f. L *-ensis* local suf. (usu. now *-ian*, as *Atheniensis* Athenian); applied to some foreign countries & towns (*Japanese*, *Milanese*), either as adj. or meaning 'inhabitant' (pl. *-ese*) or 'language'; also used spec. (adj. or n.) of diction of mannered writers (*Carlylese*), as though a non-English language.

es'kar, -er, n. (geol.). Long ridge of post-glacial gravel in river valleys. [f. Ir. *escir*]

Eskimo, -quimau, (*esh'kimō*), n. (pl. *-oes*, *-aux*, pr. *-mōz*). Member of a race in arctic coasts of America. [native]

esoté'ric, a. (Of philosophical doctrines etc.) meant only for the initiated; (of disciples) initiated; private, confidential. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv. [f. Gk *esōterikos* (*esōterō* compar. of *esō* within, see -IC)]

espagnolette (-ányolēt), n. Fastening of French window. [F, dim. of *espagnol* Spanish]

espál'ier, n. Lattice-work on which trees or shrubs are trained; tree so trained. [F, f. It. *spalliera* (*spalla* shoulder)]

espárt'ō, n. (Also ~ *grass*) kinds of grass imported from Spain and N. Africa for paper-making. [Sp., f. L f. Gk *sparton* rope of the plant *spartos*]

espé'cial (-shl), a. Pre-eminent, exceptional, as *my ~ friend*, *thing of ~ importance*; particular (opp. to *ordinary*, cf. SPECIAL); belonging chiefly to one case (*for your ~ benefit*). Hence ~LY² (-shə-) adv. [OF, f. L as SPECIAL]

Esperán'tō (-ē-), n. An artificial language designed as a medium for persons of all nations. (pen-name (f. L *spero* hope) of its inventor, Dr Zamenhof, 1887)

éspi'al, n. Acting as a spy; watching; spying. [f. OF *espaille*, as ESPY, see -AL(2)]

espéglerte (see Ap.), n. Roguishness. [F]

es'pionage (-ij, -ahzh'), n. Practice of spying or using spies. [f. F *espionnage* f. *espion* spy f. It. *spione* (of Teut. orig., cf. ESPY), see -AGE]

esplanáde, n. Level piece of ground, esp. one used for public promenade; level space separating citadel of fortress from town. [F, f. Sp. *esplanada* f. *esplanar* f. L *explanare* make level (*planus*), see -ADE]

espous'al (-sil), n. (arch.). (Usu. pl.) marriage or betrothal; (fig.) espousing of

(a cause etc.). [f. OF *espousailles* f. L *sponsalia* neut. pl. (*sponsus* p.p. as foll., see -AL)]

épouse' (-z), v.t. (Usu. of man) marry; give (woman) in marriage (*to*); adopt, support, (doctrine, cause, etc.). [f. OF *espouser* f. L *sponsare* (*sponsus* p.p. of *spondere* betroth)]

épressiv'o (-ôvô), adv. (mus.). With expression. [It.]

esprit (êspré'), n. Sprightliness; wit; ~ *de corps* (de kôf), regard for honour & interests of body one belongs to; ~ *fort* (fôrf), strong-minded person, free-thinker. [F. f. L as SPIRIT]

espý', v.t. Catch sight of; detect (flaw etc.). [f. OF *espier* ult. f. OHG *spehôn* SPY]

-esque, suf. forming adj., = F *-esque* f. It. *-esco* f. mod. L *-iscus* in Tent. wds; cf. OHG *-isc* (mod. *-isch*) = -ISH¹; meaning 'after the manner of', as *arabesque*, *Dantesque*, *burlesque*.

Esquimaux. See ESKIMO.

ésquife', n. || Title appended to name of one regarded as gentleman by birth, position, or education, esp. in address of letter (abbr. *Esg.*; (aroh.) = SQUIRE. [f. OF *esquier* f. L *scutarius* shield-bearer (*scutum* shield, -ARY¹)]

ëss, n. S(-shaped thing); COLLAR¹ of ~es. -**ëss**¹, suf. forming female nn. f. F (*countess*, *lioness*) or on E wds (*goddess*); in 15th c. the OE fem. *-ster* (now only in *spinster*) came to be regarded as masculine, & could take fem. -**ëss** (*seamstress*); agent nn. in *-ter*, *-tor*, regularly have *-tress* (*chantress*); other exx. are *authoress* etc. (*author* etc. now preferred), *giantess*, *quakeress*; *governess* (formed on vb) is irreg., perh. on anal. of *sorceress* (formed on old *sorcer* not on *sorcerer*, which has double agent suf.); euphony leads to same clipping in *adventuress*, *murderess*; *-tress* is now recognized angliciz. of F *-trice* (L *-trix* *-trix*), though of diff. orig. [f. F *-esse* f. LL f. Gk *-issa*]

-ëss², suf. in abstr. nn. f. adj., as *duress*, *largess*; *riches*, *laches*, are exx., mistaken for pl. [ME & OF *-esse* = It. *-ezza* f. L *-itia* -ION]

ëss'ay¹, n. Attempt (at); a literary composition (usu. prose & short) on any subject, whence ~IST(3) n. [f. OF *essai* = ASSAY¹]

ëssay', v.t. & i. Try, test, (person, thing); attempt (task, to do, or abs.). [refash. f. ASSAY² on F *essayer*]

ëss'é, n. Essential being or nature (often contrasted with *bene esse* well-being). [L. = to be]

ëss'ence, n. An existence or entity (spiritual or immaterial); absolute being, reality underlying phenomena; all that makes a thing what it is; intrinsic nature; indispensable quality or element; extract obtained by distillation

etc. (lit. & fig.); perfume, scent, whence ~**ëd**² (-st) a. [F, f. L *essentia* f. ¹*essens* -ntis fictitious part. of *esse* be, repr. Gk *ousia*]

Essène' (8-), n. Member of an ancient Jewish sect, of mystical tenets & esoteric life. [f. L f. Gk *Essénos*, etym. dub.]

ëssén'tial (-ahl), a. & n. 1. Of, constituting, a thing's essence; indispensable (*to*); ~ *proposition*, one that predicates of a subject what is implied in its definition; ~ *character* (of species, genus, etc.), marks that distinguish it from others included with it in next superior division; ~ *harmony* (belonging to one particular key); ~ *oil*, volatile oil, marked by characteristic odour etc. 2. n. Indispensable element. Hence ~ITY (-shál²) n., ~LY² (-shal-) adv. [f. LL *essentialis* (as ESSENCE, -AL)]

-ëst, suf. forming superl. adj. & adv. (& FIRST, LAST); for limits of use see -ER², but many adj. can bear -*est* though not -*er*, as *awkward*, *barren*, *fragile*, *loyal*, *legible*, & many in -*id*, as *limpid*; in poetry & mannered prose -*est* is used w. almost any adj., & appended to adv. in -*ly*, as *quickest*. [OE -*ost*, -*ust*, -*ast*, f. OTent. -*osto*, & OE -*est*, -*st*, f. OTent. -*isto* (compar. -*ôz*, -*iz*, + Aryan -*to*), cf. Gk -*isto*; -*iz* required vowel change, now only in *eldest*, *best*]

ëstáb'lish, v.t. Set up (government, house of business, etc.) on permanent basis; settle (person, oneself, in office etc.); secure permanent acceptance for (custom, precedent, belief, etc.); place beyond dispute (fact, *that*); make (church) legally national. [f. OF *establi* (st. -*isa*, see -ISH²) f. L *stabilire* (as STABLE a.)]

ëstáb'lishment, n. Establishing; Church E~, the E~, church system established by law; organized body of men maintained for a purpose, as army, navy, civil service; *peace*, *war*, ~, reduced, increased, army etc. in time of peace, war; staff of servants etc.; public institution, house of business; household, as *separate* ~ (of man maintaining paramour). [-MENT]

ëstáblishmentá'ian, a. & n. (Person) adhering to, advocating the principle of, an established church. [-ARIAN]

ëstám'inet (-ná), n. French café selling wine, beer, & coffee, or cottage with bar-room. [F]

ëstá'te, n. 1. Order, class, forming part of body politic & sharing in government; || the Three E~s (in England), Lords Spiritual, Lords Temporal, Commons; *third* ~, (usu.) French bourgeoisie before Revolution; || (Joe.) *fourth* ~, the press. 2. Person's interest in landed property (*real* ~) or movables (*personal* ~), whence **ëstát'ëd**² a.; a landed property (|| ~ *estát*, steward of ~, go-between in sales of houses & land). 3. One's collective

assets & liabilities. 4. (Arch.) condition, as the holy ~ of matrimony. [f. OF *estat* f. L as *STAT*]

esteem', v.t., & n. 1. Think highly of; consider, as *I shall ~ it (as) a favour*. 2. n. Favourable opinion, regard, respect. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *estimer* f. L as *ESTIMATE*]

es'ter, n. (chem.). Compound formed by replacing the hydrogen of an acid by a hydrocarbon radical of the ethyl type. [coined by the German chemist L. Gmelin]

es'timable, a. Worthy of esteem. [F, f. L *aestimabilis* (as *ESTEEM*, see -BLE)]

es'timate', n. Approximate judgement (of number, amount, etc.); quantity assigned by this; || the *E-s*, forecasts of national expenditure, presented annually to parliament; contractor's statement of sum for which he will undertake specified work; judgement of character or qualities. [f. L *aestimatus* -us (as foll.)]

es'timate', v.t. Form an estimate of; fix (number etc.) by estimate (at so much); form an opinion of. So ~ative a., ~ator n. [f. L *aestimare*, see -ATE]

estima'tion, n. Judgement of worth, as *in my ~*; esteem, as *hold in ~*, *be in ~*. [f. OF *estimacion* f. L *aestimationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

estival etc. See *aest-*.

estöpp', v.t. (law; -pp-). Bar, preclude, (from thing, from doing). Hence ~p'age n. [f. OF *estoups* (*estoups* f. L *stippa* tow)]

estöpp'el, n. (legal). The being precluded from a course by previous action of one's own. [f. OF *estoupail* bung]

estövers (-z), n. pl. Necessaries allowed by law (as wood for repairs or fuel taken by a tenant from his holding). [f. OF *estouvoir* to be necessary, used subst.]

estrade' (-ahd), n. Raised platform, dais. [F, f. Sp. *estrada* f. L *stratum* neut. p.p. of *sternere* spread (with carpets)]

estrange' (-j), v.t. Alienate (person) in feeling (from another). Hence ~ment (-jm-) n. [f. OF *estraner* f. L *extraneare* (as *STRANGE*)]

estreat', v.t. (law). Take out record of (fine, bail, etc.) & return it to Court of Exchequer to be prosecuted. [f. *estreat* n. record f. OF *estrate* fem. p.p. of *estrate* extract f. L *ex(trahere tract- draw)*]

es'tuar'y, n. Tidal mouth of large river. Hence ~ine n. a. [f. L *aestuarium* neut. adj. as n. (*aestus* -us tide, see -ARY)]

es'tur'ient, a. (joc.). Hungry; needy & greedy. So ~ence, ~ency, nn. [f. L *esurire*, desiderative f. *edere* eat]

-ét', suf. forming (orig.) dimm., many not now realized as such; mostly in ME adoptions f. F (*bullet, hatchet, sonnet*); double dim. -ette (F -et + -et) is living suf. [OF -et & -ette (dist. only in mod. E) = It. -etto, -etta, etym. dub.]

-ét', -ète, suf. in agent nn. f. Gk, -et in

older or familiar wds, as *poet, comet, an-choret*, -ete in newer or learned ones, as *athlete, aesthete, exegete*. [f. Gk -ētēs (-ēs of agent n. as appended esp. to vbs in -ēs, -ad); *epithet, paraclete*, are not exx.; *diabetes* retains full form]

ēt'a, n. Greek letter (Ξ, η) = ē (cf. EPSILON). [Gk]

et'acism (-ā-), n. Pronunciation of Gk ē as English ē (cf. ITACISM). [f. Gk *ēta* letter ē, -ism]

état-major (štah' mahzhōr'), n. (mil.). Staff, staff-office. [F]

ēt cēt'era, etcēt'era, phr. & n. (pl. -as). (Abbr. *etc.*, &c.) & the rest, & so on, as *I remain yours etc.*; (n. pl.) extras, sundries. [L]

ētch, v.t. & i. Reproduce (pictures etc.), portray (subject), by engraving metal-plate etc. by means of acids or corrosives, esp. for purpose of printing copies; (v.i.) practise this art. [f. Du. *etsen* f. G *ätzen* etch f. OHG *ezjan* cause to eat or be eaten f. OTeut. *aijan* make EAT]

ētch'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp. copy from etched plate; ~needle, used in ~. [-ING]

ētern'al, a. That always (has existed &) will exist, as ~ life, punishment; the *E-*, God; ~ CITY; (colloq.) incessant, too frequent, as *these ~ bickerings*; the ~ triangle, two males & a female or vice versa. Hence or cogn. **ētern'** (al) (ētern'3) v.v.t., ~LY³ adv. [OF, f. LL *aeternalis* (*aeternus* for *aevi-ternus* f. *aevum* age, see -AL)]

ētern'ity, n. Being eternal; immortal fame; (pl.) eternal truths; infinite time, esp. future; the future life. [f. F *éternité* f. L *aeternitatem* (*aeternus*, see prec. & -TY)]

Etesian (itēzh'an), a. ~ winds (blowing annually in Mediterranean from N.W. for about 40 days in summer). [f. L f. Gk *ētesios* (etos year) + -AN]

-eth, suf. See -TH.

ēth'ane, n. A colourless and odourless gas insoluble in water and burning with a pale flame, ethyl hydride. [f. ETH(ER) + -ANE]

ēth'er, n. 1. Clear air, upper regions beyond clouds. 2. (Physics) a medium assumed to permeate space & fill interstices between particles of air & other matter, medium in which electro-magnetic waves are transmitted, whence ~IO a. 3. (Chem.) colourless light volatile liquid produced by action of sulphuric acid & other acids on alcohol, an anaesthetic. [f. L f. Gk *aithēr* f. root of *aithō* burn, shine]

ēth'er'al, -ial, a. 1. Light, airy; heavenly; of unearthly delicacy of substance, character, or appearance, whence ~RY (-āl), ~IZA'TION, nn., ~NESS³ v.t., ~LY³ adv. 2. (Physics, Chem.) of, like, *ETHER*, so **ēth'erim'ation** n., **ēth'eriz'y** v.t.; ~ oil, essential or volatile oil. [f. L (-eus, -ius) f. Gk *aithērōs* (as prec.) + -AL]

ēth'erize, v.t. Put (patient) under influence of ether. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZ]

ēth'ic, a. & n. 1. (Now usu. ~al) relating to morals, treating of moral questions; ~ *advice* (of person indirectly interested in fact stated). **2.** n. pl., & rarely sing. Science of morals, treatise on this, moral principles, rules of conduct, whole field of moral science. Hence ~AL a., ~ALY¹ adv., ~ISM(3) v.t. [f. L f. Gk *ēthikos* (ἠθικός, -ιος)]

Ethiōp'ian (ē-), a. & n. (Native) of Ethiopia, esp. (Anthropol.) as epithet of one of the races into which human species is divided. [-AN]

ēth'mold, a. Sieve-like; ~ *bone*, square-shaped bone at root of nose, through the many perforations of which the olfactory nerves pass to the nose. [f. Gk. *ēthmoeidēs* (*ēthmos* sieve)]

ēth'nic, -ic(al), aa. Pertaining to race, ethnological, whence ~ALY¹ adv.; (~) gentle, heathen, whence ~ALISM(2) n. [f. Gk *ēthnikos* (*ēthnos* nation, see -IC)]

ēthnōg'raphy, n. Scientific description of races of men. So **ēthnōg'RAPHER** n., **ēthnograph'ic(al) aa.**, **ēthnograph'ically¹ adv.** [f. Gk *ēthnos* nation + -GRAPHY]

ēthnōl'ogy, n. Science of races & their relations to one another & characteristics. So **ēthnōl'ogic(al) aa.** (-ic frontier, corresponding to a division of races), **ēthnōl'ogical¹ adv.**, **ēthnōl'ogist n.** [as prec. + -LOGY]

ēth hōc gēn'us ōm'nē, phr. And all that kind of thing (often as ornamental substitute for *et cetera*). [L]

ēthōl'ogy, n. Science of character-formation. Hence **ēthōl'ogical a.** [f. L f. Gk *ēthologia* (ETHOS, see -LOGY)]

ēth'os, n. Characteristic spirit of community, people, or system. [Gk (ē-) = character, nature, disposition]

ēth'yl, n. (chem.). The hydrocarbon radical present in ordinary alcohol & ether. [f. ETH(ER), -YL]

-ēth'ic, suf. of adj. & nn. = Gk agent suf. -ēt- or -ēt- + -ic, in wds f. Gk or on Gk models, as *emetic* (Gk *emētikos*), *ascetic* (Gk *askētikos*).

ēth'iol'āte, v.t. Make (plant) pale by excluding light; give sickly hue to (person). Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *étiole* f. Norm. *étieuler* make into haulm (*étieule* f. L *stipula* straw)]

ētiology. See AETIOLOGY.

ētiquette' (-kēt), n. Conventional rules of personal behaviour in polite society; ceremonial of court; unwritten code restricting professional men in what concerns interests of their brethren or dignity of their profession, esp. *medical, legal*, ~. [f. F *étiquette* TICKET, ~]

ēt'na, n. Vessel for heating small quantity of liquid by burning spirit. [f. the volcano]

Et'on (ē-), n. ~ *collar* (broad, stiff, worn outside coat-collars); ~ *crop*, cutting of woman's hair short like boy's; ~ *jacket*,

boy's short coat reaching only to waist. [f. ~ College]

Etrūs'can (i-) a. & n. (Native) of ancient Etruria. [f. L *Etruscus* + -AN]

ēt sēqq., sēquēnt'ia (-z), -tia, (in reference to books etc.). And the words, pages, etc., that follow. [L]

-ette, suf. forming dim. nn. (rarely adj.), repr. OF *-ette*, the fem. corresp. to -ET.

(1) Older adoptions f. F now have -et, -ette appearing chiefly in wds introduced since 17th c., as *cigarette, etiquette*, (2) A mod. comm. use, = 'sham', is seen in *leatherette, Brussels* (carpet). (3) A mod. fem. suf., as *conductorette, usherette*.

étude (ätüd'), n. A short musical composition or exercise. [F]

ētui' (-wē), étwee', n. Small case for needles, tooth-picks, etc. [f. F *étui*, etym. dub.]

ēty'mōl'ogize, v.t. & i. Give, trace, the etymology of; suggest etymology for; study etymology. [f. LL *etymologizare* (as foll., -IZE)]

ēty'mōl'ogy, n. Account of, facts relating to, formation & meaning of word; branch of linguistic science concerned with this; part of grammar treating of individual words & their formation & inflexions. Hence or cogn. **ēty'mōl'ogist, ēty'mōl'o-gist, nn.**, **ēty'mōl'ogic(al) aa.**, **ēty'mōl'ogical¹ adv.** [f. OF *etimologia* f. L f. Gk *etymologia* (as foll., -LOGY)]

ēty'mōn, n. Primary word that gives rise to a derivative. [L, f. Gk *etymon* (neut. of *etymos* true) literal sense, original form, of a word]

eu- in comb. = Gk *eu* well, cf. DYS-

eucalyp'tus, n. Genus of plants including Australian Gum tree; ~ *oil*, a disinfectant. [f. EU- + Gk *kalyptos* covered (*kalyptō*), flower being protected by cap]

eu'charis (ük-), n. (Also ~ *lily*) S.-Amer. bulbous plant with white bell-shaped flowers. [Gk *eu* (*pharis* grace) pleasing]

Eu'charist (ük-), n. Lord's Supper; consecrated elements, esp. the bread, as *give, receive, the ~*. Hence ~IC(al) (-is-) aa. (~ic Congress, international meeting of Roman Catholics in veneration of the Blessed Sacrament, originally held annually, later biennially). [f. OF *eucariste* f. LL f. Gk *eukharistia* f. *eu* (*pharis* grace) f. *pharis* offer willingly) grateful]

euchlō'ine (ükl-), n. Bright yellow-green compound gas discovered by Davy.

[EU- + Gk *chlōros* on anal. of CHLORINE]

eu'chre (-ker), n., & v.t. 1. American card game for 2, 3, or 4 persons. 2. v.t. Gain advantage over (opponent) by his failure to take three tricks at ~ (also fig.). [I]

Euclid, n. Alexandrian mathematician (c. 300 B.C.); his *Elements* or treatise on geometry, a copy of this; (pop.) geometry as a science or subject; (mod.) the geometry of ordinary experience, accepting ~'s axioms as indisputable (cf.

RELATIVITY). Hence Euclid'áAN a. [f. Gk *Eukleídēs*]

eud(a)em'on'ism (-dēm-), n. System of ethics basing moral obligation on tendency of actions to produce happiness. So ~IST(2) n. [f. Gk *eu(daimōn* guardian genius) happy, -ISM]

eudiōm'eter, n. Graduated glass tube in which gases may be chemically combined by electric spark passing between metallic terminals at its closed end, used in chemical experiments. So **eudiōmēt'ric** (AL) aa., **eudiōmēt'rically** adv., **eudiōm'ETRY** n. [f. Gk *eu(dios*, st. of *Zeus*, gen. *Dios*, god of the sky) clear + -METER]

eugē'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the production of fine (esp. human) offspring. 2. n. pl. Science of this. So **eugēnist**(2) n., student of ~s. [f. *eu* + Gk *gen-* produce + -IC]

euhēm'er'ism, n. Reference of myths to historical basis. So ~IST(2) n., ~is'tic a., ~IZE(4) v.t. & i. [f. *Euhemerus*, Sicilian author c. 316 B.C., + -ISM]

eul'og'ize, v.t. Extol, praise, in speech or writing. So ~IST(1) n., ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv. [f. foll. + -IZE]

eul'og'y, n. Speech, writing, in praise of person etc., as pronounce his~, pronounce a ~ on him; praise. [prob. f. med. L (also used as E) *eulogium* irreg. f. Gk *eu(logia* -LOGY)]

eun'uch (-uk), n. Castrated male person, esp. one employed in harem, or (in Oriental courts & under Roman empire) employed in state affairs. [f. L f. Gk *eunoukhos* lit. bedchamber attendant (*eunē* bed + *okh-* st. of *ekhō* hold)]

euōn'ymus, n. Genus of shrubs including spindle-tree. [f. L f. Gk *eu(ōnumos* f. *onoma* name) of lucky name]

eupēp'tic, a. Of, having, good digestion. [f. Gk *eu(peptos* f. *peōō*, *peptō*, digest) + -IC]

euph'ēm'ism, n. Substitution of mild or vague expression for harsh or blunt one; expression thus substituted, as 'queer' is a ~ism for 'mad'. So ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv., ~IZE(1, 2) v.t. & i. [f. Gk *euphēmismos* f. *eu(phēmos* f. *phēmē* speaking, fame), see -ISM]

euphōn'ium, n. (mus.). Bass instrument of saxhorn family. [mod. L, f. Gk *euphōnos* see foll.]

euph'on'y, n. Pleasing sound; quality of having this (usu. of words, phrases, etc.); tendency to phonetic change for ease of pronunciation. So **euphōn'ic**, **euphōn'ious**, aa., **euphōn'ically**, **euphōn'iously** adv., **euph'onize**(3) v.t. [f. F *euphonie* f. Gk *euphōnia* f. *eu(phōnos* (*phōnē* sound)]

euphōr'bia, n. (Kinds of) widely-distributed herb or shrub of the spurge family. [L (-ea), f. *Euphorbus* physician to Juba II, -IA¹]

euph'ras'y, n. = **HYEbright**. [f. med. L f.

Gk *euphrasia* cheerfulness f. *euphrainō* gladden (*phrēn* mind)]

euph'ū'ism, n. Artificial or affected style of writing (prop., in imitation of Lyly's *Euphues*, 1580); high-flown style. So ~IST n., ~is'tica., ~is'tically adv. [-ISM]

Eurasian (Ūrāsh'an), a. & n. (Person) of mixed European & Asiatic parentage; of Europe & Asia. [f. *Europe* + *Asia* + -AN]

eurēk'a (Ūr-), int. & n. (The exultant exclamation) 'I have (found) it!' [f. Gk *heurēka* 1st pers. perf. of *heuriskō* find]

eurh'yth'mic (Ūr-), a. In or of harmonious proportion (esp. in architecture). Hence ~s n. pl., harmony of bodily movement, esp. as developed with the aid of music into a system used in education. [f. L f. Gk *eurhythmia* good rhythm (see *eu-*, RHYTHM) + -IC]

Europē'an (Ūr-), a. & n. (Native) of Europe; happening in, extending over Europe, as a ~ reputation. Hence ~ISM(2, 3, 4), ~IZA'TION, nn., ~IZE(3) v.t., (Ūr-); [f. F *européen* f. L *Europaeus* (L f. Gk *Eurōpē* Europe) + -AN]

eu'sōl, n. Antiseptic and bactericide prepared from bleaching powder. [f. initial letters of *Edinburgh University solution of lime*]

Eustach'ian (-āk-), a. Of Eustachius the Italian anatomist (d. 1574); ~ tube, canal leading from the pharynx to the cavity of the middle ear. [-AN]

Eutēp'e, n. The Muse of music, whence ~AN a.; genus of palms. [Gk]

euthanās'ia (-z-, -s-), n. Gentle & easy death; bringing about of this, esp. in case of incurable & painful disease. [Gk (*eu* + *thanatos* death)]

ēvāc'ū'ate, v.t. Empty (esp. stomach or bodily organ of contents), whence ~ANT(2) a. & n.; withdraw from (place; esp. of troops); remove (person) esp. from place considered to be dangerous, whence ~EE' n., person so removed; discharge (excrement etc.; also fig.). So ~A'TION n. [f. L *ēvacuare* f. *vacuus* empty]

ēvāde, v.t. Escape from, avoid, (attack, pursuit, designs, adversary, blow, obstacle, etc.); avoid doing (duty etc.), answering (question), yielding to (argument etc.); defeat intention of (law etc., esp. while complying with its letter); (of things) elude, baffle. Hence **ēvād'ABLE** a. [f. F *évaider* f. L *ēvadere* was-go]

ēvā'gin'āte, v.t. (physiol.). Turn (tubular organ) inside out. So ~A'TION n. [f. L *ēvaginare* f. *vagina* sheath, see -ATE¹]

ēvāl'ū'āte, v.t. Ascertain amount of; find numerical expression for. So ~A'TION n. [f. F *évaluer* (ē-EX-, VALUE)]

ēvanēscē, v.i. Fade out of sight; become effaced; disappear. [f. L *ēvanescere* VANISH]

ēvanēsc'ent, a. (Of impression, appearance, etc.) quickly fading; (Math.) inani-

testinal. Hence ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY³ adv. [f. F *evanescent* (as prec., see -ENT)]

evān'gel (-j-), n. (arch.). The Gospel; any of the Four Gospels; doctrine, principle, (of politics etc.). [f. OF *evangi(l)le* f. eccl. L f. Gk *eu(aggelion)* cf. ANGEL] fee for good news]

evāngel'ic, -ic/al, (-j-), aa. & nn. 1. Of, according to, the teaching of the Gospel or the Christian religion; esp. (usu. ~al) of the Protestant school maintaining that the essence of the Gospel consists in doctrine of salvation by faith, good works & sacraments having no saving efficacy, whence ~alism(3) n. 2. n. Member of this school. Hence ~alry³ adv. [f. LL f. eccl. Gk *euaggelikos* (as prec., see -ic, -al)]

evān'gelism (-j-), n. Preaching of the Gospel; =EVANGELICALISM. [-ISM]

evān'gelist (-j-), n. One of the writers of the Four Gospels; preacher of the Gospel; layman doing home missionary work. [f. F *évangéliste* f. L (-la) f. Gk *euaggelistēs* (as EVANGELIZE, -IST)]

evāngelis'tic (-j-), a. Of the Four Evangelists; of preachers of the Gospel; =EVANGELICAL. [-IC]

evān'geliz(e) (-j-), v.t. Preach the Gospel to (persons, also abs.); win over (person) to Christianity. Hence ~ATION n. [f. eccl. L *evangelizare* f. Gk *euaggelizomat* (as EVANGEL)]

evān'ish, v.l. (literary). Vanish; die away. Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *evanir* (-ISH)³ f. pop. L *evanire*=L *evanescere* EVANESCE]

evāp'orizāte, v.t. & i. Turn (t. & i.) from solid or liquid into vapour (also fig.; esp. colloq. disappear, die); remove the liquid part of; (v.l.) exhale moisture. So ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa., ~ATION, ~ATOR³, nn. [f. LL *evaporare* (as VAPOUR), see -ATE]

evā'sion (-zhn), n. Act, means, of evading; shuffling excuse. So evās'ive a., evās'ively³ (-vi-) adv., evās'iveness (-vn-) n. [f. F *évasion* f. LL *evasionem* (as EVADE, see -ION)]

Eve¹ (év), n. The first woman; daughter of ~, woman (often w. allusion to feminine curiosity etc.). [f. Heb. *Havvah* orig. = life, living]

eve², n. Evening or day before (of) a church festival or any date or event; time just before anything, as on the ~ of an election; (arch.) evening. [=EVEN¹; for loss of -n cf. *tomorrow*]

evēc'tion, n. Inequality in moon's longitude. [f. L *evectio* f. *vecere* vect- carry], -ION]

ev'en¹, n. (poet.). Evening; ~song, evening prayer in Church of England; ~tide, evening. [OE *ēfen*, *ēfen*; Du. *avond*, G *abend*]

ev'en², a. (-er, -est). Level; smooth; uniform in quality; in same plane or line (with); equally balanced, as ~handed justice; equal in number or amount; ~ (Law, Commerc.) of ~ (same)

date; (of temper etc.) equable, unruffled; ~ money (Betting), neither laying nor taking odds; (of numbers) integrally divisible by two, opp. to ODD; ODD & ~; be ~ with, have one's revenge on. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [com.-Teut.; OE *efen*, Du. *even*, *effen*, G *eben*]

ev'en³, adv. Inviting comparison of the assertion, negation, etc., made with a less strong one that might have been made, as he *disputes ~ the facts* (not merely the inferences from them), *never ~ opened* (much less read) *it, does he ~ suspect* (not to say realize) *the danger?*, ~ *if my watch is right we shall be late* (later if it is slow), *this applies ~ more* (not merely equally) *to French (than to English)*; (arch.) neither more nor less than, just, simply, as ~ (quite) *so*, (emphasizing identity) that is, as God, ~ our own God. [OE *efne*, as prec.]

ev'en⁴, v.t. Make even; treat as equal or comparable (to); ~ up, to balance; ~ up on, requite, make return to (a person). [OE *efnan*, as prec.]

ev'e'ning (-vn-), n. Close of day, esp. sunset to bedtime; this time spent in particular way, as *musical ~s*; (fig.) decline of life, closing period; ~ dress, that prescribed by fashion to be worn in the ~; ~ star, Jupiter, Mercury, or other planet, & esp. (the ~ star) Venus, when seen in West after sunset. [OE *ēfning* vbl n. f. *ēfnian* (as EVEN¹)]

ev'ent¹, n. Fact of a thing's happening, as *in the ~ of his death, his coming*, if he dies, comes; thing that happens, esp. important thing, as *quite an ~*, whence ~FUL, ~LESS, aa.; (in doctrine of chances) any of several possible but mutually exclusive occurrences; *double ~*, combined occurrence of two ~s, esp. as subject of bets; (Sport.) something on the issue of which money is staked; result, outcome; *in any or either ~*, *at all ~s*, in any case. [OF, f. L *eventus* -ūs f. *venire* come)]

ev'ent'ual, a. That will happen under certain circumstances; ultimately resulting, whence ~LY³ adv. [f. F *éventuel* (prec., -AL)]

ev'ent'ual'ity, n. Possible event. [-ITY]

ev'ent'uate, v.l. Turn out (well, ill, etc.); result (in or abs.); *happen, come to pass. [f. L as EVENT, -ATE]

ev'er, adv. Always, at all times, (arch. exo. as foll.); *for ~ (& ~, & a day)*, for all future time, incessantly; ~more~, always; ~ after, ~ since; ~ yours (in ending a letter); (arch.) ~ & anon, now & then; (w. negative, question, condition, comparison) at any time, as *nothing ~ happens, did you ~ hear such stuff?*, *if I ~ catch him, the best thing I ~ heard*, as good as ~, *better than ~*; (strengthening as) *be as quick as ~ you can*; (emphasizing question, colloq.) *what*

~ (also *whatever*) *does he want?, who ~ can it be?, which ~ Brown do you mean?, when, where, how, ~ did I drop it?, why ~ didn't you say so?; ~ so (earlier never so), very, as it is ~ so much easier;* (appended to superl. as sl. ellipsis for that ~ was or were: *the back-benchers were the most docile ~*); *did you ~?* (as complete sentence), *did you ~ see or hear the like?* [OE *ēfre*, etym. dub., perh. conn. w. *AYE*]

• **ēv'erglāde**, n. Marshy tract of land, esp. (pl.) swamp in S. Florida. [prec. + GLADE]

ēv'ergreen, a. & n. Always green or frosh (lit. & fig.); (tree, shrub) having green leaves all the year round (cf. DECIDUOUS).

ēverlas'ting (-ah-), a. & n. 1. Lasting for ever; lasting long; lasting too long, repeated too often; (of plants) keeping shape and colour when dried. 2. n. Eternity, as *from ~*; ~ flower; strong twilled woollen stuff. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [EVER + LASTING]

ēvērt', v.t. (Physiol.) turn (organ etc.) inside out; (arch.) overthrow (government etc.). So **ēvēt'sion** n. [f. L *ēvertēre* vers- turn]

ēvēr'y (-vr-), a. Each, all (w. sing. vb), as ~ word of it is false, (w. possess. pron.) *it engaged his ~ thought*, (of succession or alternation) *he comes ~ day, ~ other* (i.e. second) *day, ~ three days, ~ third day; ~ now & then, ~ now & again*, from time to time; ~ bit (quite) as much; ~body (else), ~ (other) person; ~day' (adj.), occurring daily, worn or used on ordinary days, commonplace; ~ one, each, as ~ one of them is wrong; ~one (also ~ one), ~body, as ~one likes to have his way; ~thing, all things, as ~thing depends on that, thing of first importance, as *pace is ~thing*; ~time (colloq.), without exception, without any hesitation; ~way, in ~ way, in ~ respect; ~where, in ~ place. [OE *ēfre* etc. *EVER EACH*]

Ev'erymān (ēvr-), n. The ordinary or typical human being, the 'man in the street'. [character in 16th c. morality]

ēvict', v.t. Expel (person); esp. tenant from land etc.; recover (property, title to it, of, from, person) by legal process. So **ēvict'ion**, **ēvict'or**², nn. [f. L *ēvincere* vict- conquer]

ēv'idence, n., & v.t. 1. Clearness, obviousness, esp. *in ~*, conspicuous. 2. Indication, sign, (of quality, treatment, etc.); testimony, facts, making for (also of) a conclusion, esp. (pl.) *the E~s of Christianity*; INTERNAL, EXTERNAL, ~. 3. (Law) information (given personally or drawn from documents etc.) tending to establish fact, as *call* (person) *in ~* (as a witness), CIRCUMSTANTIAL, PRESUMPTIVE, *verbal ~*; *turn King's, Queen's, ~*, (of accomplice in crime) give ~ against one's accomplices; statements, proofs, ad-

missible as testimony in court. 4. v.t. Serve to indicate, attest. So **ēvidēn'tial** (-shl), **ēvidēn'tiary**¹ (-sha-), aa., **ēvidēn'tially**¹ (-sha-) adv. [(vb f. n.) f. F *évidence* f. L *evidentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)] **ēv'ident**, a. Obvious (to eyes or mind). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *ēvidēre* see], see -ENT]

ēv'il (-vl, -vil), a., n., & adv. 1. Bad, harmful; *the E~ One*, the Devil; *of ~ (bad) repute*, *an ~ (slandering) tongue*; ~ eye, malicious look, pop. believed to do material harm. 2. n. ~ thing, sin, harm, (of two ~s choose the less); ~doer; *Aleppo ~*, a disease of boils; = KING'S ~. 3. adv. In ~ manner, as *speak ~ of*, (Bibl.) ~ *entreat*, ~disposed. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [ME *uevl*, OE *yfel*, Du. *uevel*, G *übel*; perh. f. root of up, w. sense 'excessive']

ēvince', v.t. Show, indicate, (quality etc., that etc.); show that one has (quality). Hence **ēvin'cive** a. [as EVICT]

ēv'ir'āte, v.t. Castrate (male); (fig.) deprive of manly qualities. So ~ATION n. [f. L *ēvirare* f. *vir* man, see -ATE¹]

ēvis'cer'āte, v.t. Disembowel; (fig.) empty (thing) of vital contents. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *ēviscerare* (VISCERA), see -ATE¹]

ēvōke', v.t. Call up (spirit from the dead, feelings, memories, energies); || summon (cause) to higher court. So **ēvoca'tion** n., **ēvōc'ative**, **ēvōc'atory** aa. [f. F *évoquer* f. L *vocare* call]

ēv'olute (-ōūt), a. & n. ~ (curve), locus of centres of curvature of another curve that is its INVOLUTE. [f. L p.p. as EVOLVE]

ēvolu'tion (-lō-), n. 1. Opening out (of roll, bud, etc.; usu. fig.); appearance (of events etc.) in due succession; evolving, giving off, (of gas, heat, etc.). 2. Unfolding of curve; (Math.) extraction of root from any given power (cf. INVOLUTION). 3. Development (of organism, design, argument, etc.); *Theory of E~* (that the embryo is not created by fecundation, but developed from a pre-existing form); origination of species by development from earlier forms, not by special creation (cf. CREATIONISM), whence ~ISM, ~IST, nn., ~is'tic a., (-lōshon-). 4. Formation of heavenly bodies by concentration of cosmic matter. 5. Change in disposition of troops or ships; wheeling about, movement, in dancing etc. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., (-lōshon-). [f. L *evolutio* (as EVOLVE, see -ION)]

ēv'olutive (-lō-), a. Tending to evolution. [-IVE]

ēvōlve', v.t. & i. Unfold, open out, (fig.); set forth in due sequence; give off (heat etc.); develop, deduce, (theory, facts, etc.); develop (t. & i.) by natural process; ~ from one's inner consciousness, create imaginatively (often joc. of romancing etc.). Hence ~MENT (-vm-) n. [f. L *ēvolvere* volut- roll]

evül'sion, n. Forcible extraction. [f. L *evulsio* f. *vellere* *vuls-* pluck, see -*ION*]
ewe (ü), n. Female sheep; one's ~ *lamb*, one's most cherished possession (2 *Sam. xli*); ~ *necked*, (of horses) having a thin concave neck. [com.-Aryan; OE *eowu*, Du. *oot*, L *ovis*, Gk *ois*, Skr. *avi*]

ew'er, n. Pitcher; water-jug with a wide mouth. [f. OF *aiguier* f. L **aquadria*, fem. adj. as n. (*aqua* water, see -*ARY*)]
ewigheit (ä'vighit), n. (Joc.). *Into, in, the* ~, into thin air, in the unknown. [G. = eternity]

ex, prep. (commerce.). (Of goods) out of, sold from, (*ship, store*, etc.); (of stocks or shares) *ex div'idend* (abbr. *ex div.* or *x.d.*), not including next dividend. [L]

ex-, pref. 1. = L *ex* before *h, c, p, q, s* (which is often dropped), and *t*; becoming *ef-* before *f, e-* before other consonants; forming vbs with sense 'out', 'forth', (*exclue, crisi*), 'thoroughly' (*excruciate*), 'make so-&-so' (*exasperate*), 'remove, expel, free, from' (*expatriate, -onerate, -coriate*), and adj. w. sense 'not having', esp. in form *e-* (*ecaudeate* tailless). 2. = Gk *ex* (= *ek* before vowels) out, as *exodus*. 3. L *ex* is prefixed to nn. and rarely adj. (orig. to titles of office etc.) in sense 'formerly', 'quondam', as *ex-chancellor, ex-Prime-Minister*.

exacerbate, v.t. Aggravate (pain, disease, anger); irritate (person etc.). So *~ATION* n. [f. L *exacerbare* f. *acerbus* bitter]

exact' (-gz-), a. Precise, rigorous, (rules, order, etc.); (of person, judgement, description, report, answer, etc.) accurate, strictly correct; ~ *sciences* (admitting of absolute precision). Hence or cogn. **exact'itude**, ~*NESS*, nn., (-gz-). [f. L *p.p.* as foll.]

exact' (-gz-), v.t. Demand & enforce payment of (money, fees, etc., *from, of, person*), insist upon (act, conduct, *from, off*, whence ~*ING* a.; (of circumstances) require urgently. Hence or cogn. **exact'able** a., **exact'or** n., (-gz-). [f. L *EXigere* act = *agere* drive]

exact'ion (-gz-), n. Extacting (of money etc.); sum, thing, thus exacted; illegal or exorbitant demand, extortion; arbitrary & excessive impost. [F, f. L *exactionem* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

exact'ly (-gz-), adv. In adj. senses, esp. (as answer or confirmation) quite so, just as you say. [-*LY*]

exaggerate (igzäj-), v.t. Magnify (thing described, or abs.) beyond limits of truth; intensify, aggravate; make (physical features etc.) of abnormal size. Hence or cogn. ~*ätédily* ~*ätive* ~*adv.*, ~*ÄTION*, ~*ÄTOR* n., ~*ÄTIVE* a., (igzäj-). [f. L *EXaggerare* heap up, f. *agger* heap, see -*ATE*]

exalt' (igzawit'), v.t. Raise, place high in rank, power, etc.; praise, exalt, (often ~ *to the skies*); dignify, ennoble, (esp.

in p.p.); intensify (colours etc.). [f. L *EXaltare* f. *altus* high]

exaltä'tion (-awl-), n. Raising, lifting up, (usu. fig.); elation, rapturous emotion; intensification. [F, f. L (prec., -*ÄTION*)]

exam' (-gz-), n. (colloq.). See foll.

examinä'tion (-gz-), n. Minute inspection (of, into); POST-MORTEM ~; (colloq. abbr. *exam*) testing of knowledge or ability (of pupils, candidates) by questions oral or written; ~*paper*, series of such questions or of examinee's answers to them. Hence ~*AL* (-shon-) a. [F, f. L *examinationem* (as foll., see -*ÄTION*)]

exam'ine (-gz-), v.t. & i. Investigate, scrutinize, (accounts, person in or on subject, organ, baggage for contraband goods, theory, statement, one's own conscience, *whether*); (Intr.) inquire into. Hence ~*ANT*, ~*ER*, ~*ER*, nn., ~*ÄTOR* *ÄL* a., (-gz-). [f. F *examiner* f. L *examinare* (examen, for *exagmen*, tongue of balance, examination, as *EXACT*)]

exam'ple (igzah-), n., & v.t. Fact, thing, illustrating general rule; problem, exercise, designed to do this; specimen of workmanship, picture, etc.; warning to others, as *make an ~ of* (punish) *him*; precedent, as *beyond, without, ~*; conduct as object of imitation, as *give, set, a good ~*; *take ~ by*, copy; (v.t., rare exc. in p.p.) exemplify. [(vb f. n.) OF f. L *exemplum* (as *EXEMPT*)]

exän'imate (-gz-), a. Dead; lacking animation, spiritless. [f. L *exanimare* deprive of life (*anima*), see -*ÄTE*]

exän'imäd, adv. & a. Heartily, sincere(ly). [L, = from the soul]

ex'arch (-k), n. (Under Byzantine emperors) governor of distant province; (in Eastern Church) patriarch, bishop, patriarch's deputy. So ~*ÄTE* (-k-) n. [f. L, f. Gk *exarkhos* f. *EX(arkh)* rule]

exas'perate (-gz-), v.t. Make worse (ill feeling, disease, pain); irritate (person; ~*ated at, by*); provoke (person to ill, to do). Hence or cogn. ~*ätینگ* ~*adv.*, ~*ÄTION* n., (-gz-). [f. L *EXasperare* f. *asper* rough, see -*ÄTE*]

ex cathed'rä, adv. & a. Authoritative(ly). [L, = from the (teacher's) chair]

ex'cav'ate, v.t. Make hollow; make (hole, channel) by digging; dig out (soil) leaving a hole; unearth, get out, by digging. Hence or cogn. ~*ÄTION*, ~*ÄTOR* n., [f. L *EX(cavare)* f. *cavus* hollow, see -*ÄTE*]

exceed', v.t. & i. Do more than is warranted by (one's commission, rights, etc.); be greater than (quantity, thing, *by so much*); surpass (person etc. *in*); be pre-eminent, whence ~*ING* a. & (arch.) adv., ~*ینگ* ~*adv.*; be immoderate in feeding etc.; exaggerate. [f. F *exceder* f. L *EX(cedere)* cess- go]

excel', v.t. & i. (-ll-). Surpass (others *in* quality, *in doing*); be pre-eminent (*in*,

et, thing, in quality, in doing). [f. F *exceller* f. L *EX(cellere, cf. celsus lofty)*]

ex'cellence, n. Surpassing merit; thing in which person etc. excels. [F, f. L *excellencia* (as prec., see -ENCE)]

ex'cellency, n. Title (*Your, His, Her, E-*) of ambassadors, governors & their wives, & some other officers. [as prec., see -ENCY]

ex'cellent, a. Pre-eminent; very good. Hence *-LY*² adv. [F (as prec., see -ENT)]

excl'sior, int. & n. Higher (as trade mark etc.); "soft shavings of wood for stuffing. [L, compar. of *excelsus lofty*]

excl'pt'¹, v.t. & i. Exclude (thing) from enumeration, statement, etc., as *present company ~ed, ~ him from the general pardon*; make objection *against*. So **excl'ptive** a. [f. F *excepter* f. *EX(cipere capt = capere take)*]

excl'pt'², **excl'p'ting**, prop. & conj. (*~ing* is required only after *not, without*, as we are all fallible, *except the pope*, but *not excepting the pope*; *~ing* is also usual after *always*). 1. Not including, but, as we all failed *~ him*, he is everywhere *~ in the right place*, never to be found *~ in the wrong place*, it is right *~ that the accents are omitted*, *~ for the omission of accents*. 2. conj. (arch.). Unless, as *~ he be born again*. [*except* orig. p.p. (f. L as prec.) in abs. constr. (*~ you = you being excepted*); *~ing*, abs. use of part. of prec.]

excl'ption, n. Excepting; thing excepted, thing that does not follow the rule; *the ~ proves the rule*, (prop.) the excepting of some cases shows that the rule exists, or that it applies to those not excepted, (pop.) the weaker my case, the stronger my conviction; *with the ~ of, except*; *take ~, object to; subject, liable, to ~* (objection), whence *-ABLE* (-shon-) a. [f. AF *exceptioun* f. L *exceptionem* (**EXCEPT**¹, -ION)]

excl'ptional (-shon-), a. Forming an exception; unusual, as *~ advantages*. Hence *-ITY* (-al)² n., *-LY*² adv. [-AL]

excerpt¹ (ek'serpt or eks'ript'), n. Extract from book etc., article from learned society's Transactions etc. printed off separately for private circulation. [as foll.]

excl'pt'², v.t. Extract, quote, (passage from book etc., or abs.). Hence or cogn. *-IBLE* a., **excl'p'tion** n. [f. L *EX(cerpere cerpt = carpere pluck)*]

excess', n. (Usu. pl.) outrage; intemperance in eating or drinking; overstepping of due limits; fact of exceeding, esp. *in ~ of*, more than; amount by which one exceeds another; *~ fare* on railway, payment due for travelling farther or in higher class than ticket warrants; *~ luggage* (over the weight for free carriage); superabundance, extreme degree, (of cruelty etc.); exceeding of the proper amount or degree, esp. *in, to, ~*; *~ profits*

duty, tax, tax on profits swollen by war conditions. So *~IVE* a., *~IVELY*¹ (-vi-) adv. [f. F *exces* f. L *excessus -us* (as **EXCEND**)]

exch'ange'¹, n. 1. Act, process, of exchanging (of goods, prisoners of war, blows, words, etc.; *~ is no robbery*, ioc. excuse for unfair ~). 2. Exchanging of coin for its equivalent in coin of same or another country; money-changer's trade; *par of ~*, standard value of coinage of one country in terms of that of another; (*rate, course, of*) *~*, price at which bills drawn in a foreign currency may be bought, also, difference between this & par; system of settling debts between persons (esp. in different countries) without money, by *bills of ~* (*first, second, third, of ~*, separate bills of even tenor & date as security against miscarriage). 3. Thing exchanged for another. 4. Building where merchants assemble to transact business, as **STOCK-~**. 5. || Central telephone office of a district where connexions are made for local or trunk calls. [f. OF *exchange* f. LL *exchangium* (as foll.)]

exch'ange'², v.t. & i. Give, receive, (thing) in place of (*for*) another; interchange (blows, words, glances, etc.); (v.i., esp. of coin) be received as equivalent *for*; pass (*from* one regiment or ship *into* another) by exchange with another officer. [f. OF *eschangier* f. LL *EX(cambiare CHANGE)*²]

exch'angeable (-jabl), a. That may be exchanged (*for*); *~ble value* (estimated by that of the goods for which a thing may be exchanged). Hence *~IBILITY* (-jab-) n. [-ABLE]

exch'equer (-ker), n. || Department of public service charged with receipt & custody of revenue; || *Chancellor of the E-*, finance minister of United Kingdom; royal or national treasury; money of private person etc.; || (also *Court of E-*) court of law, now merged in King's Bench Division (orig. using table with chequered cloth for accounts); || *~ bill* (issued by authority of Parliament, bearing interest at current rate). [f. OF *eschiquier* f. med. L *scaccarium* chess-board (*scacchi* chess, see -ARIUM)]

excise'¹ (-z), n., & v.t. 1. Duty charged on home goods during manufacture or before sale to home consumers; || government office collecting ~ (now *Commissioners of Customs & E-*); || *~man*, officer collecting ~ & preventing infringement of ~ laws. 2. v.t. Force (person) to pay ~, overcharge (also fig.). Hence **excise'ABLE** (-z-) a. [(vb f. n.) prob. f. MDu. *excise* f. LL *accensus* f. *ACCENSARE* tax (CENSUS)]

excise'² (-z), v.t. Out out (passage of book, limb, organ, etc.); (Bot., Zool.) out out, notch. So **excis'ion** (-zhon-) n. [f. L *EX(cidere cis = cadere out)*]

excite', v.t. Set in motion, rouse up, (feelings, faculties, etc.); provoke, bring about, (action, active condition); promote activity of (bodily organs etc.) by stimulus; move (person) to strong emotion; (colloq. ellipt.) *don't ~e!*, keep cool!; (Electr., Magnet.) induce activity in (substance), set (current) in motion, whence **excita'tion** n.; (Photog.) sensitize (plate). Hence or cogn. **~ABL'ITY**, **~EMENT** (-tm-), nn., **~EX'citant** a. & n., **~ABLE** (esp., of persons, easily ~ed, unbalanced), **~ATIVE**, **~ATORY**, aa., **~EDLY** adv. [f. F *exciter* f. L *excitare* frequent. of *ex(c)ire* set in motion]

exclaim', v.i. & t. Urr out, esp. from pain, anger, etc.; utter (words quoted direct or with *that*) thus; ~ *against*, accuse loudly. [f. F *exclamer* f. L *exclamare* shout]

exclamâ'tion, n. Exclaiming; words exclaimed; *note of* ~ (l). So **exclâ'matory** a. [F, f. L (prec., -ATION)]

exclude' (-lôd), v.t. Shut out (person, thing, from place, society, privilege, etc.); prevent the occurrence of, make impossible, (doubt etc.); expel & shut out. So **exclu'sion** (-lôzhn) n. [f. L *excludere* clus- = claudere shut]

exclus'ive (-lôv-), a. Shutting out; not admitting of; desirous of excluding others, (of social circles etc.) chary of admitting members, select, whence **exclus'ivism** (2) (-lôv-) n.; (shop, newspaper) not to be had, not published, elsewhere; (of terms etc.) excluding all but what is specified; employed, followed, to the exclusion of all else, as *his ~ occupation*; (quasi-adv.) not counting, as *30 men, ~ of our own*. Hence **~LY** (-lôslv-) adv., **~NESS** (-lôslvn-) n. [f. med. L *exclusivus* (prec., -IVE)]

excô'gitâte, v.t. Think out, contrive. So **~ATION** n., **~ATIVE** a. [f. L *excogitare* cogitare]

excommun'icâ'te, v.t. (Ecol.) cut off (person) from participation in sacraments, or from all communication with the Church. So **excommunica'tion**, **~OR**, nn., **~IVE**, **~ORY**, aa. [f. LL *excommunicare* f. *communis* COMMON], see -ATE³

excô'riâte, v.t. Remove part of skin of (person etc.) by abrasion etc.; strip, peel off, (skin). So **~ATION** n. [f. L *excoriare* (corium hide), see -ATE³]

ex'crement, n. Waste matter discharged from bowels, dung, (often pl.). Hence or cogn. **~AL** (-shn), **~ITIOUS** (-ishus), aa. [f. F *excrement* f. L *excrementum* (as *excreta*, see -MENT)]

excrês'cence, n. Abnormal or morbid outgrowth on animal or vegetable body (also fig.). So **excrês'cên'tial** (-shal) a. [f. L *excrecentia* (as foll., see -NOM)]

excrês'cent, a. Growing abnormally; redundant; (Gram., of sound in word)

due merely to euphony. [f. L *EX(crescere* cret-grow), -ANT]

excrêt'a, n. pl. Waste expelled from body, esp. faeces & urine. [L, p.p. as foll.]

excrêt'e, v.t. (Of animals or plants) separate & expel (waste matters, also abs.) from system. Hence or cogn. **excrê'tion** n., **~IVE**, **~ORY**, aa. [f. L *EX(cernere* cret-sift)]

excruciâte (-krôshi-), v.t. Torment acutely (person's senses; now esp. in part. as adj.); torture mentally rare. Hence or cogn. **~ingly** (-krôshi-) adv., **excrucia'tion** (-krôo-) n. [f. L *EX(cruciare* torment f. *cruz crucis* cross), see -ATE³]

ex'culpâte, v.t. Free from blame; clear (person from charge etc.). Hence **exculpa'tion** n., **excûl'patory** a. [f. EX- + L *culpa* blame + -ATE³]

excû'rrent, a. Running out; (of blood) flowing from heart, arterial; affording an exit; (Bot.) projecting. [as foll., see -ENT]

excûrs'e, v.i. (rare). Wander, digress (usu. fig.); make an excursion. Hence **~IVE** a., **~IVELY** (-vi-) adv., **~IVENESS** (-vn-) n. [f. L *EX(currere* curs-run)]

excûrs'ion (-shon), n. Journey, ramble, with intention of returning (also fig.); pleasure trip of number of persons, whence **~IST** (-shon-) n.; **~train** (for **~ists**, usu. at reduced rates); (arch.) *sortie* (*alarms & ~s*); (Astron.) deviation from regular path. Hence **~AL**, **~ARY**, aa., (-shon-). [f. L *excursio* (as prec., see -ION)]

excûrs'us, n. (pl. ~es). Detailed discussion of special point in book, usu. in appendix at end. [L vbl n. as *EXCURSE*]

excûs'e (-z), v.t. Attempt to lessen the blame attaching to (person, act); obtain exemption for (person, oneself, from duty etc.); (of things) serve as exculpation for (person, act); accept the exculpation of (person, act, person for act); release (person from a duty; also double obj., as *we ~e him the fee*); dispense with, as *we will ~e your presence*; ~e me (as apology for lack of ceremony, interruption, etc.); also as form of dissent). So **~ABLE**, **~ATORY**, aa., **~ABLY** adv., (-z-). [f. OF *excuser* f. L *excusare* (causa cause³)]

excûse' (-s), n. Apology offered, exculpation (usu. in ~ of); ground of this; plea for release from duty etc. [OF (as prec.)]

ex'êât, n. (In schools, colleges, etc.) permission for temporary absence. [L, 3rd sing. subj. of *EX(ire* go)]

ex'êcrable, a. Abominable. Hence **~LY** adv. [f. L *exorabilis* (foll., -BLE)]

ex'êcrâ'te, v.t. & l. Express, feel, abhorrence for; (v.i.) utter curses. Hence or cogn. **exêcra'tion** n., **~IVE**, **~ORY**, aa. [f. L *EX(s)ecrare* (sacrare devote f. *sacer* sacred, accursed), see -ATE³]

exêc'utant (-gz-), n. One who executes, performer, (of music etc.). [f. F *exécuteur*, part. as foll.]

ěx'écútie, v.t. Carry (plan, command, law, judicial sentence, will) into effect; perform (action, operation, etc.); make (legal instrument) valid by signing, sealing, etc.; || convey (estate) in property; discharge (office, function); perform (musical composition); inflict capital punishment on. Hence **~ABLE** a. [f. F *exécuter* f. med. L *exsecutarius* f. L *EX(aequi)secut-* follow]]

ěxécú'tion, n. Carrying out, performance; dexterity in performing music; (of weapons) destructive effect, as *do* ~ (also fig. of personal charms etc.); seizure of property or person of debtor in default of payment; infliction of capital punishment, whence **~ER**¹ (-shon-) n.; || *E* ~ *Dock* (Hist.), place on bank of Thames near Wapping where pirates were formerly hanged. [f. F *exécution* f. L *executionem* (as prec., -ION)]

ěxéc'útive (-gz-), a. & n. 1. Pertaining to, having the function of, executing. 2. (Branch of government) concerned with executing laws, decrees, & sentences (cf. JUDICIAL, legislative). 3. *Person in ~ position in business organization etc. [-IVE]

execútör, n. 1. (ěk'sl-). One who carries out or performs. 2. (ěgzék-). Person appointed by testator to execute his will; literary ~, person charged with writer's unpublished works etc. Hence **ěxécú'tōriāl** a., **ěxéc'útōrshp**, **ěxéc'útōrix** (pl. -cū'rices), nn., (-gz-). [f. AF *exécuteur* f. L *excutorem* (EXECUTE, -OR²)]

ěxégēs'is, n. Exposition esp. of Scripture. So **~ēt'ic(al)** aa., **~ēt'ically**² adv. [Gk *exēgēsis* f. EX(hēgeomai) lead]]

ěxm'plar (-gz-), n. Model, pattern; type (of a class); parallel instance. [f. OF *exemplaire* f. LL *exemplarium* (EXAMPLE, -ARY¹)]
ěxm'plarij (-gz-), a. Fit to be imitated; typical; illustrative; serving as a warning (-y damages in law, exceeding amount needed for compensation). Hence **~ily**² adv., **~INESS** n. [f. L *exemplaris* (as EXAMPLE, see -ARY²)]

ěxm'plifj (-gz-), v.t. Illustrate by example; be an example of; make attested copy of (document) under official seal. So **~FICA'tION** n. [f. med. L *exemplificare* (EXAMPLE, -FY)]

ěxmpt'¹ (-gz-), a. & n. 1. Free (from taxation, control, failings, etc.). 2. n. Person exempted, esp. from tax; || one of four officers sometimes commanding Yeomen of Guard (now usu. *exon*). [F, f. L *EX(timere) empt-* = *emere* take]]

ěxmpt'² (-gz-), v.t. Free from (as prec.). So **ěxmpt'ion** (-gz-) n. [f. F *exempter* (prec.)]

ěxn'terjāte, v.t. Disembowel (only fig.). So **~A'tION** n. [f. L *EXenterare* (Gk *enteron* intestine), see -ATE¹]

ěxéquā'tur (-er), n. Recognition of a country's consul by a foreign govern-

ment; temporal sovereign's authorization of bishop under Papal authority, or of publication of Papal bulls. [L, = he may perform]

ěx'equies (-kwiz), n. pl. Funeral rites. [OF, f. L *exsequiae* f. EX(aequi) follow]]

ěx'ercise¹ (-z), n. Employment (of organ, faculty, power, right); practice (of virtues, profession, functions, religious rites); exertion of muscles, limbs, etc., esp. for health's sake; bodily, mental, or spiritual training; task set for this purpose; (pl.) military drill, athletics, etc.; academical declamation etc. required for degree; composition set to pupils; act of worship. [f. OF *exercice* f. L *exercitium* f. EX(ercere -cti- = *arēre* restrain) keep at work]

ěx'ercise² (-z), v.t. & i. Employ (faculty, right, etc.); train (person etc.); tax the powers of; perplex, worry; discharge (functions); take, give (horse etc.), exercise. Hence **~ABLE** a. [f. prec.]

ěxercitā'tion (-gz-), n. Practice, training; literary or oratorical exercise. [f. L *exercitatio* f. *exercitare* frequent., as EXERCISE¹, -ATION]

ěx'ér'gue (-g; also *ěgzé'g*), n. Small space usu. on reverse of coin or medal, below principal device; inscription there. Hence **ěxér'g'ual** (-gl) a. [F, prob. f. Gk *EX- + ergon* work]

ěxért' (-gz-), v.t. Exercise, bring to bear, (quality, force, influence); ~ oneself, strive (to do, for object). So **ěxért'ion** n. (-gz-). [f. L *EX(serere) seri-* bind] put forth]

exes (ěk'siz), n. pl. (colloq.). Expenses. [abbr.]

Ex'eter Hall (-; hawl), n. Building in Strand formerly used for May meetings etc. (see MAY).

ěx'ětāt, v.i. (Stage direction) they (two or more actors) leave the stage; ~ *om'nēs*, all leave the stage. [L, = they go out]

ěxfōl'jāte, v.i. (Of bone, skin, minerals, etc.) come off in scales or layers; (of tree) throw off layers of bark. So **~A'tION** n. [f. LL *EX(foliare) f. folium* leaf, see -ATE¹]

exhalā'tion (ěksa-), n. Evaporation; puff of breath; short burst (of anger etc.); mist, vapour; effluvium. [f. L *exhalatio* (fohl-, -ATION)]

ěxhālē, v.t. & i. Give off (fumes etc., also fig.) in vapour; be thus given off, evaporate, (from, out of); (Path., of animal fluids) pass off in minute quantities through blood-vessel etc.; breathe out (life, soul, words, etc.); get rid of (anger etc.) as if by blowing. [f. F *exhaler* f. L *EX(halare) breathe*]

ěxhaust'¹ (ěgzaw-), n. (In hydraulic, steam, or internal-combustion engines) expulsion or exit of motive fluid, steam, or gaseous products of combustion from cylinder after completion of power stroke by piston; similar exit of spent fluid or

gases from turbine; ~-pipe etc. (for this); process of exhausting vessel of air; (apparatus for) production of outward current of air by creating partial vacuum. [f. foll.]

exhaust¹ (igzaw-), v.t. Draw off (air, also fig.); consume entirely; use, account for, the whole of; empty (vessel) of contents; say, find out, all that is worth knowing of (subject); drain (person, kingdom, etc.) of strength, resources, etc. esp. in p.p.; tire out. Hence ~ISEL'ITY n., ~IBLS a. [f. L *ex(haurire) haust-* draw]

exhaustion (igzaw's'chon), n. Exhausting (in all senses); total loss of strength; arrival at a conclusion by eliminating alternatives. [-ION]

exhaustive (igzaw-), a. Tending to exhaust esp. a subject; comprehensive. Hence ~LY¹ (-vI-) adv., ~NESS (-vN-) n. [-IVE]

exhibit¹ (igzi-), n. Document or thing produced in lawcourt & referred to in written evidence; thing, collection of things, sent by person, firm, etc., to an exhibition; showing, display. [f. L neut. p.p. as foll.]

exhibit² (igzi-), v.t. Show, display; submit for consideration; manifest (quality); show publicly (for amusement, in competition, etc.). So ~OR² n., ~ORY a. [f. L *ex(hibere) hibi-* = *habere* hold]

exhibition (ëksi-), n. 1. Showing, display, (of thing); *make an ~ of oneself*, behave so as to excite contempt; public display of works of art etc.; *the Great E-*, first ~ on large scale, London, 1851. 2. ||Fixed sum given to student for term of years from funds of school, college, etc., whence ||~ER² (ëksibish'on-) n. (f. OF *exhibition* f. LL *exhibitionem* (as prec., see -ION); last use f. prec. in obs. sense 'provide maintenance']

exhibitionism (ëksibish'on-), n. Tendency towards display or extravagant behaviour; (Path.) perverted mental condition characterized by indecent exposure of the person. [-ISM]

exhilarate (igzi-), v.t. Enliven, gladden (person, spirits). So ~ANT(2) a. & n., ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a. (igzi-). [f. L *ex(hilarare) f. hilaris* cheerful, see -ATE²]

exhort (igzört'), v.t. Admonish earnestly; urge (person to do, to a course); advocate (reform etc.). So ~ative, ~atory, aa., (igzört'-). [f. L *exhortari* see HORTATORY]

exhortation (ëksört-), n. Exhorting; formal, liturgical, address. [f. L *exhortatio* (prec., -ATION)]

exhum[e], v.t. Dig out, unearth, (lit. & fig.). So ~ATION n. [f. F *exhumer* f. L *ex(humare) f. humus* ground]

exigence, -cý, nn. Urgent need; emergency. [F'(-ce), f. L *exigentia* (foll., -ENON)]

exigent, a. Urgent, pressing; requiring much, exacting; ~ of, demanding. [f. L *ex(igere) = agere* drive, see -ENT]

exigible, a. That may be demanded or exacted (*against, from, person*). [as prec., -BLE]

exiguous, a. Scanty, small. Hence or cogn. *exigü'ITY*, ~NESS, nn. [f. L *exiguus* (as prec.) + -OUS]

exile¹, n. Penal banishment; long absence from one's country (also fig.). [f. OF *exil* f. L *exilium* (*salire* leap)]

exile², n. Banished person (lit. & fig.). [perh. f. prec.; L has *exsul* (as prec.)]

exile³, v.t. Banish (person *from*; lit. ~ fig.). [f. OF *exilier* f. LL *exsilare* (as *EXILE*)]

exil'ian, a. Of the Jews' exile in Babylon. So ~IC a. [f. L as *EXILE*¹ + -IAN]

exil'ity, n. (pedant.). Thinness; subtlety. [f. L *exilitas* (*exilis* thin, etym. dub., see -TY)]

exist¹ (-gz-), v.i. Have place in the domain of reality; have being under specified conditions; ~ as (in the form of); (of circumstances etc.) occur, be found; live; continue in being. [f. F *exister* f. L *ex(sistere) redupl. f. stare* stand]

existence (-gz-), n. Being, existing, esp. in ~; life, as a *wretched, precarious*, ~; mode of existing; existing thing; all that exists. So **EXISTENTIAL** (-gz-, -shi) a. [OF, f. mod. L *existentia* (as prec., see -ENCE)]

existent (-gz-), a. Existing, actual, current. [-ENT]

exit¹, n. Departure of player from stage (also fig.); death; going out or forth; liberty to do this; passage to go out by. [f. L *exitus* -us going out (as foll.); partly also from foll.]

exit², v.i. (Stage direction) — goes off stage, as *E- Macbeth* (also fig.). [3rd sing. pres. of L *ex(ire) it-* go]

ex-libris, n. Book-plate, label with arms, crest, etc., & owner's name pasted into book. [L *ex libris* from library (of So-&-so)]

ex'o- in comb. = Gk *exō* outside as: ~*dērm*, outer layer of blastoderm; ~*gamous*, ~*gamy*, (-ōg'), (of, following) custom compelling man to marry outside his own tribe; ~*gen* n., ~*genous* (-ōj') a., = -DICO-TYLEDON(ous), w. ref. to external growth of stem; ~*pāth*'ic, (of disease) originating outside the body; ~*phagous*, ~*phagu*, (-ōf'), not eating members of one's own tribe; ~*plasm*, outermost layer of protoplasm; ~*skēl'eton*, external integument, bony or leathery; ~*smōs*'is, passage of a fluid outwards through a porous septum.

ex'odus, n. Departure, going forth, (esp. of body of emigrants); departure of Israelites from Egypt; (*E-*) book of O.T. relating this. [L, f. Gk *EXODOS* (*hodos* way)]

ex offi'cio (-shiō), adv. & a. In virtue of one's office, as ~ *members of committee*. [L]

|| **ex'ūs**, n. See EXEMPT¹. [repr. F pron.]

exón'er/áte (-gz-), v.t. Exculpate; free (person) from (blame etc.); release (person from duty etc.). Hence or cogn. ~**A'TION** n., ~**ÁTIVE** a., (-gz-). [f. L *ex(onerare* f. *onus -eris* burden), see -**ATRE**¹]

exóphthal'mi-us, -ós, n. Protrusion of eyeball. Hence ~**IO** a. [f. Gk *EX(ophthal-mos)* eye] adj.]

exór'bít/iant (-gz-), a. Grossly excessive (of price, demand, ambition, person). Hence ~**ANCE** n., ~**anfly**² adv., (-gz-). [f. L *Exorbitare* go out of the wheel-track (ORBIT), -**ANT**]

ex'ót/ricize, v.t. Expel (evil spirit from, out of, person or place) by invocation or use of holy name; clear (person, place, of evil spirits). So ~**ISM**, ~**IST**, nn. [f. LL *Exorcizare* f. Gk *Exorkizo* (horkos oath)]

exór'dí/um, n. (pl. -iums, -ia). Beginning, introductory part, esp. of discourse or treatise. Hence ~**AL** a. [L, f. *EX(ordiri* begin)]

exoté'ric, a. & n. (Of doctrines, modes of speech, etc.) intelligible to outsiders (cf. **ESOTERIC**); (of disciples) not admitted to esoteric teaching; commonplace, ordinary, popular; (n. pl.) ~ doctrines or treatises. Hence ~**AL** a., ~**ally**² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *exotérikos* (exotérō compar., see **EXO-**, -**IC**)]

exót'ic (-gz-), a. & n. 1. (Of plants, words, fashions) introduced from abroad. 2. n. ~ plant (also fig.). [f. L f. Gk *exōtikos* (exō outside, see -**IC**)]

éxpánd', v.t. & i. Spread out flat (t. & i.); expound, write out, in full (what is condensed or abbreviated, algebraical expression, etc.); develop (t. & i.) into; swell, dilate, increase in bulk, (t. & i.); become genial, throw off reserve; ~ed metal, sheet metal slit and stretched into a lattice, used (esp.) to reinforce concrete. So **éxpánsibl'ity** n., **éxpán'sible** a. [f. L *EX(pandere* pans- spread)]

éxpáns'e, n. Wide area or extent; expansion. [as prec.]

éxpán'sile, a. (Capable) of expansion. [-**IL**]

éxpán'sion (-shn), n. Expanding; (Commerce.) expansion of transactions; ~ (Increase) of the currency, whence ~**IST**(2) (-shon-) n.; increase in bulk of steam in cylinder of engine; triple~ engine (in which steam passes through 3 cylinders). [f. LL *expansio* (prec., -**ION**)]

éxpán'sive, a. Able, tending, to expand (t. & i.); extensive; comprehensive; (of persons, feelings, speech) effusive. Hence ~**LY**² (-vi-) adv., ~**NESS** (-vn-), **éxpánsiv'ity**, nn. (as prec., see -**IVE**)

ex'pár't'é, adv. & a. (law, & transf.). On, in the interests of, one side only; (adj., *ex-parte*) made or said thus, as an *ex-parte* statement. [L]

éxpá'tí/játe (-shí-), v.i. Speak, write, copiously (on subject); wander unrestrained (usu. fig.). Hence ~**A'TION** (-shí-)

n.; ~**ATORY** (-sha-) a. [f. L *EX(spatiari* walk about, as **SPACE**), -**ATRE**²]

éxpát'ri/játe, v.t. Banish; (refl.) emigrate; (Law of Nations, refl.) renounce citizenship. Hence ~**A'TION** n. [f. LL *EX(patriare* f. *patris* native land), see -**ATRE**¹]

éxpéc't', v.t. Look forward to, regard as likely, as I ~ a storm, ~ to see him, ~ him to come, ~ (that) he will come, ~ him next week, don't ~ me, ~ payment today, not so bad as I ~ed (it to be), just what I ~ed of him; shall not ~ you till I etc. see you, leave you to arrive when you please; look for as due, as I ~ you to be punctual, that you will be punctual, do you ~ payment for this?; (colloq.) think, suppose, (that); (abs.) she is ~ing (colloq.), she is pregnant. [f. L *EX(spectare* look, frequent, of *specere* see)]

éxpéc'tancy, n. State of expectation; prospect, esp. of future possession; prospective chance (of). [f. L *expectantia* (prec., -**ANCY**)]

éxpéc'tant, a. & n. 1. Expecting (of or abs.; ~ mother, pregnant woman); having the prospect, in normal course, of possession, office, etc.; characterized by waiting for events, esp. (Med.) ~ method; (Law) reversionary. 2. n. One who expects, candidate for office etc. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [-**ANT**]

éxpéc'tá'tion, n. Awaiting; anticipation, as beyond, contrary to, ~; ground for expecting (of); (pl.) prospects of inheritance; thing expected; ~ of life; probability of a thing's happening. [f. L *expectatio* (as prec., see -**ATION**)]

éxpéc'tative, a. Of reversion of benefices, reversionary. [f. LL *expectativus* (prec., -**ATIVE**)]

éxpéc'torant, a. & n. (Medicine) that promotes expectoration. [as foll., see -**ANT**]

éxpéc'tor/áte, v.t. Eject (phlegm etc.) from chest or lungs by coughing or spitting; (abs.) spit. Hence ~**A'TION** n. [f. L *Expectorare* relieve the mind (*pectus -oris* breast), -**ATRE**¹]

éxpéd'ient, a. & n. 1. (Usu. predic.) advantageous, suitable, as do whatever is ~, it is ~ that he should go; politic rather than just. 2. n. Contrivance, device. Hence or cogn. **éxpéd'ience**, -**ENCY**, nn., ~**IAL** (-én'shal) a., ~**LY**² adv. [f. F *expédient* (as foll., see -**ENT**)]

ex'pédite, v.t. Assist the progress of (measure, process, etc.); dispatch (business). [f. L *Expédire* dit- lit. free feet of (*pes pedis* foot)]

éxpédí'tion, n. Warfare enterprise; journey, voyage, for definite purpose; men, fleet, sent on this; promptness, speed. Hence ~**ARY**¹ a., ~**IST**(3) n., (-shon-). [f. L *expeditio* (as prec., see -**ION**)]

éxpédí'tious (-shus), a. Doing or done speedily; suited for speedy performance.

Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). [f. prec., see -IOUS(2)]

expél', v.t. (-il-). Eject (person from place, bullet from gun, etc.) by force; turn out (person from a community, school, etc.); also w. from omitted was ~ed the school). Hence ~L'ENT a. [f. L *expellere* puls- drive]

expénd', v.t. Spend (money, care, time, on object, in doing); use up; (Naut.) wind (spare rope) round spar etc. [f. L *expendere* pens- weigh]

expén'diture, n. Laying out (of money etc.); consuming; amount expended. [as prec. (irreg. p.p. *penditus*), see -URE]

expén'se, n. Expenditure; cost; (pl.) outlay in execution of commission etc., reimbursement of this, as *he paid my ~s*, offered me £10 & ~s; at the ~ (cost) of, esp. (fig.) by bringing discredit etc. on, as *you defend his veracity at the ~ of his understanding*, if what he says is true he is a fool; a *laugh at his ~* (at him). [AF, f. LL *expensa* orig. fem. p.p. (as EXPEND)]

expén'sive, a. Costly. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [EXPEND, -IVE]

exper'ience¹, n. Actual observation of facts or events; knowledge resulting from this, whence **exper'ienCED²** (-st) a.; event that affects one, as *an unpleasant ~*; fact, process, of being so affected, as *I learnt by ~*; (usu. pl.) state, phase, of religious emotion; ~ *table*, table showing expectation of life at different ages etc. compiled from the ~ of life-assurance offices. [f. F *expérience* f. L *experientia* f. *EX(periri)* pert- go through, see -ENCE]

exper'ience², v.t. Meet with, feel, undergo, (pleasure, treatment, fate, etc.); learn, find, (*that, how, etc.*). [f. prec.]

exper'ien'tial (-shal), a. Of experience; ~ *philosophy* (treating all knowledge as based on experience), whence ~ISM, ~IST, nn., (-shal-). Hence ~LY² (-shal-) adv. [f. L as EXPERIENCE¹, see -AL]

expé'riment¹, n. Test, trial, (of); procedure adopted on chance of its succeeding or for testing hypothesis etc. [OF, f. L *experimentum* (as prec., see -MENT)]

expé'riment², v.i. Make experiment (on, with). Hence ~L'ATION n. [prec.]

experimén'tal, a. Based on experience, not authority or conjecture; based on experiment, as ~ *philosophy*, whence ~ISM, ~IST, nn.; tentative; used in experiments. Hence ~IZE(2) v.i., ~LY² adv. [-AL]

expért'¹, a. Trained by practice, skilful, (*at, in*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF, f. L as EXPERIENCE¹]

expért'², n. Person having special skill or knowledge (*at, in*), as *mining ~*, (*attrib.*) ~ *evidence*. [F (prec. as n.)]

expé'ri's crén'é, sent. You may take my word for it, because I have tried. [L, ~ *crede* believe one who has tried]

ex'pén'site, v.t. Pay the penalty of, make

amends for, (sin). So ~ABLE, ~ATORY, aa., ~L'ATION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. L *EX(piare)* seek to appease f. *pius* devout, -ATE²]

expirá'tion (-per-), n. Breathing out (of air etc.); termination (of period, truce, etc.). [f. L *expiratio* (as foll., see -ATION)]

expí're, v.t. & i. Breathe out (air from lungs, or abs.), whence **expír'atory** a.; die; (of fire etc.) die out; (of period) come to an end; (of law, patent, truce, etc.) become void, reach its term; (of title etc.) become extinct. [f. F *expirer* f. L *EX(spirare)* breathe]

expír'ý, n. Termination (of period, truce, etc.) [f. prec. + -Y⁴]

|| **expís'cáte**, v.t. (Sc.). Find by scrutiny etc. [f. L *expiscari* (EX-, *piscari* to fish)]

expláin', v.t. Make known in detail (thing, *that, how, etc.*); make intelligible (meaning, difficulty, etc., also abs.); account for (conduct etc.); ~ *away*, modify, do away with, (esp. offensive language) by explanation; ~ *oneself*, make one's meaning clear, (also) give an account of one's motives or conduct. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. L *EX(planare)* f. *planus* flat)]

explaná'tion, n. Explaining, esp. with view to mutual understanding or reconciliation; statement, circumstance, that explains. [f. L *explanatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

explán'atorý, a. Serving, meant, to explain. Hence ~LY² adv. [as EXPLAIN, see -ORY]

ex'plé'tive (or *iksplé'*), a. & n. 1. Serving to fill out (esp. sentence, metrical line, etc.). 2. n. ~ thing, word, etc., esp. oath or meaningless exclamation. [f. L *expletivus* f. *EX(ple're)* fill, -IVE]

ex'plíc'áte, v.t. Develop (notion, principle, etc.), whence ~L'ATION n.; (aroh.) explain, whence ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. L *EX(plicare)* *plical-* or *plicit-* fold unfold, see -ATE²]

ex'plíc'it', v.i. Here ends (formerly written at end of book). [med. L; prob. abbr. of p.p. as prec., but treated as 3rd sing.]

explíc'it², a. Stated in detail, leaving nothing merely implied; definite; (of persons) outspoken; ~ *faith*, acceptance of doctrine with clear understanding of all it involves (cf. IMPLICIT). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *explicite* (as EXPLICATE)]

explóde', v.t. & i. Expose, bring into disrepute, (theory, fallacy, etc.); (of gas, gunpowder, boiler, etc.) go off with loud noise; cause (these) to do this; *magneto ~r*, hand-operated portable electrical apparatus for detonating high-explosive charges. [f. L *EX(ploder)* *eplos-* = *plaudere* clap hiss off stage]

ex'ploít', n. Brilliant achievement. [f. OF *exploit*(s) f. L neut. & fem. p.p. as EXPLICATE]

exploít'², v.t. Work, turn to account, (mine etc.); utilize (person etc.) for one's

own ends. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~AGE, *exploit*'ATION, nn. [f. OF *exploiter* f. L *exploitare* frequent. as prec.]

explōr'e, v.t. Inquire into; examine (wound) by touch; examine (country etc.) by going through it. Hence or cogn. *explōr*'ATION, ~ER¹, nn., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. F *explorer* f. L *explorare* perh. = make flow f. *pluere* flow] search out, reconnoitre]

explō'sion (-zhn), n. Going off with loud noise; such noise; outbreak (of anger etc.). [f. L *explosio* (as EXPLODE, see -ION)]

explōs'ive, a. & n. 1. Tending to eject something with loud noise; (of consonant sound) produced by explosion of breath, stopped; tending to explode or cause explosion (lit. & fig.). 2. n. ~ agent or material, ~ letter; *high* ~, kinds having very violent shattering effect & used not as propellents but in shells, bombs, etc. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [as EXPLODE, see -IVE]

expōn'ent, a. & n. (Person, thing) that sets forth or interprets; executant (of music etc.); type, representative; (Alg.) index, symbol indicating what power of a factor is to be taken, whence *expōnēn*'tial (-shal) a. [f. L *EX(pōnere posit-)* put, see -ENT]

expōrt'¹, v.t. Send out country. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ATION n. [f. L *EX(portare)* carry]

ēx'pōrt', n. Exported article; (usu. pl.) amount exported; exportation; ~ *duty* (paid on ~). [f. prec.]

expōse' (-z), v.t. Leave (person, thing) unprotected (esp. from weather); subject to (risk etc.); (Photog.) subject (film etc.) to light; turn (child) out of doors to perish; (p.p.) open to (the East etc.); exhibit, display; put up for sale; disclose (secret, project, etc.); unmask (villain, villainy). [f. F *EX(pōser)*, see COMPOSE]

expōs'é (ēkspōz'ā), n. Statement of facts; showing up (of discreditable thing). [F, p.p. as prec.]

expōs'it(-z), n. Setting forth, description; explanation; commentary; ~ EXPOSURE; exhibition of goods etc. [F, f. L *expositionem* (as EXPONENT, see -ION)]

expōs'it(ive) (-z), a. Descriptive; explanatory. So ~OR² n., ~ORY a., (-z). [f. L *expositivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

ēx'pōst fāc'tū, a. Acting retrospectively, as ~ *law*. [L, = from what is made (i.e. enacted) afterwards]

expōs'tūl|āte, v.i. Make friendly remonstrance; remonstrate (with person about, for, on). Hence or cogn. ~ATION n., ~ATORY a. [f. L *EX(postulare)* POSTULATE]

expōs'ure (-zher), n. Exposing, being exposed, (to air, cold, danger, etc.); abandoning (of child); display, esp. of goods for sale; unmasking of imposture etc.; aspect, as *southern* ~; (Photog.)

action of exposing plate or film to the light, duration of this action. [-URE]

ēxpōund'¹, v.t. Set forth in detail (doctrine etc.); explain, interpret, (esp. Scripture). [ME *expounen* f. OF *espondere* (as EXPONENT)]

ēxpř'ess¹, a., adv., & n. 1. (Of likeness) exact; definitely stated, not merely implied; done, made, sent, for special purpose; || ~ *train* (fast, stopping at few intermediate stations); ~ *rifle* (discharging bullet with high initial velocity & low trajectory); ~ *bullet* (expanding, for ~ rifle); || ~ *delivery* (by special postal messenger). 2. adv. With speed, by ~ messenger or train. 3. n. ~ train, messenger, rifle. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *exprès*, -esse (as foll.)]

ēxpř'ess², v.t. Squeeze out (juice, air, from, out of); emit, exude; represent by symbols, as (Math.) ~ (quantity) in terms of (another); reveal, betoken, (feelings, qualities); put (thought) into words; ~ oneself, say what one means (strongly etc. on subject, well, aptly, etc.). Hence ~IBLE a. [f. OF *EX(presser)* PRESS³]

ēxpř'ssion (-shn), n. Expressing (in all senses); wording, diction, word, phrase; (Alg.) collection of symbols expressing a quantity; aspect (of face), intonation (of voice), whence ~LESS (-shon-) a.; (Art) mode of expressing character etc., whence ~IST(2) (-shon-) n.; (Mus.) execution that expresses the feeling of a passage, as ~ *mark*, sign, word, indicating ~ required, ~ *stop* (in harmonium, producing ~ by varied air-pressure). [f. f. L *expressionem* f. *EX(primere)* = *primere* PRESS³, -ION]

ēxpř'ssional (-shon-), a. Of verbal, facial, or artistic expression. [-AL]

ēxpř'ssionism (-shon-), n. Modern tendency among painters, dramatic authors, etc., to subordinate realism to the symbolic or stylistic expression of the artist's or character's inner experience; (Mus.) tendency to discard rules and conventions and thus obtain complete freedom for composer's self-expression (as in Schönberg). [-ISM]

ēxpř'ssive, a. Serving to express (~ of motion etc.); (of word, gesture, etc.) significant. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [F (-f, -ive), as EXPRESSION, see -IVE]

ēxpř'brātion, n. Reproachful language. [f. L *exprobratio* f. *EX(probrare)* f. *probrum* shameful deed], see -ATION]

ēxpř'p'ri|āte, v.t. Dispossess (from estate etc.); take away (property). So ~ATION n. [f. LL *EX(propriare)* f. *proprum* property, see PROPRIE & -ATE³]

ēxpř's|ion (-shon), n. Expelling. So ~IVE a. & n. (med.). [f. L *expulsiō* (as EXPEL, see -ION)]

ēxpũ'nge' (-j), v.t. Erase, omit, (name from list, passage from book, etc.). So *ēxpũn*'ction n. [f. L *EX(pungere)* punct-prick]

ex'purg[âte (-per-), v.t. Purify (book etc.) by removing objectionable matter; clear away (such matter). Hence or cogn. ~'A'TION, ~'ATOR², nn., **expurgatô'rial**, **expurgatô'ry**, aa. [f. L **EX**(purgare cleanse), -ATE²]

ex'quisite (-z), a. & n. 1. Of consummate excellence or beauty; acute (~ pain, pleasure); keen (~ sensibility etc.). 2. n. Oxcomb, fop. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) a. [f. L **EX**(quirere quisit=quacere seek)]

exsâng'uinâte (-nggwîn-), v.t. Drain of blood. [f. L **EX**(sanguinare f. sanguis -inis blood), see -ATE²]

exsâng'uine (-nggwîn), a. Lacking blood. [**EX**-]

exscind', v.t. Cut out, excise. (lit. & fig.). [f. L **EX**(scindere cut)]

exsért', v.t. (biol.). Put forth. [= **EXERT**] || **ex-sérvice**, a. That has been but is no longer in one of the fighting services. [**EX**-(-3)]

ex'siccâte, v.t. Dry up; drain dry. [f. L **EX**(siccare f. siccus dry)]

ex'tant (or **lktânt**), a. Still existing (esp. of documents etc.). [f. L **EX**(stare stand), see -ANT]

extasy. See **ECSTASY**.

extém'poré, adv. & a. (Spoken, done) without preparation; off-hand; *speak ~* (without notes.) Hence or cogn. ~AN'EUS, ~ARY¹, aa., ~ân'éously², ~arily², advv., ~ân'éousNESS n. [L *ex tempore* from the time]

extém'porize, v.t. & i. Compose, produce, extempore; (intr.) speak extempore. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. prec. + -IZE]

exténd', v.t. & i. Lay out (esp. body, limbs, etc.) at full length; write out (shorthand etc.) at full length; (intr. & refl.) reach (to point, over, across, etc., space); cause to do this; prolong (period); enlarge (scope, meaning of word, etc.); (Mil., of line etc.) spread out into open order with regular intervals between men (trans., cause to ~); (Sport. sl.) tax powers of (horse, athlete) to the utmost (usu. pass.); stretch forth (hand, arm); accord (kindness, patronage, to); (Law) value (land etc.), seize (land etc.) for debt. Hence or cogn. **exténsiml'ity** n., **extén'dible**, **extén'sible**, aa. [f. L **EX**(tendere tens- or tent- stretch)]

extén'sile, a. Capable of being stretched out or protruded. [as prec., see -ILE]

extén'sion (-shn), n. Extending (in all senses exc. Law); extent, range; prolongation; enlargement; additional part (of railway, plan, theory, etc.); word(s) amplifying subject or predicate; *University E-*, admission of non-resident students to some forms of Univ. teaching & examination. [f. L *extensio*, -sio, (as prec., see -ION)]

extén'sive, a. (Of space, purchase, operation, etc.) large; far-reaching, com-

prehensive; (of agricultural production etc.) depending on extension of area (cf. **INTENSIVE**). Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. LL *extensivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

extén'sor, n. ~ (muscle), one that straightens out part of the body. [LL, as prec., -OR²]

extént', n. Space over which a thing extends; width of application, scope, as *to a great ~, to the full ~ of his large space, as a vast ~ of marsh*; (Law) valuation (of land etc.); seizure, writ for seizure, (of land etc.). [f. AF *estente* p.p. of *estendre* (as **EXTEND**)]

extén'üâte, v.t. Lessen seeming magnitude of (guilt, offence) by partial excuse, as *we must not ~e, nothing can ~e, his baseness*, whence ~ORY a.; (improp.) lessen seeming guilt of, as *do not ~e yourself, his conduct*; (arch.) make thin or weak. Hence **exténüa'tion** n. [f. L **EX**(tenuare f. tenuis thin), -ATE²]

extér'ior, a. & n. 1. Outer; situated or coming from without; ~ angle, that between side of rectilinear figure & adjacent side produced. 2. n. Outward aspect or demeanour. Hence ~ITY (-ô'r-) n., ~LY² adv. [L, compar. of *exterus* outside]

extér'iorize, v.t. Realize (conception) in outward form; attribute external existence to. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

extér'm'inâte, v.t. Root out (species, race, sect, opinion). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~'ATOR², nn., ~'ATORY a. [f. L **EX**(terminare (TERMINUS), -ATE²)]

extér'n'al, a. & n. 1. Situated outside; (of remedies etc.) applied to the outside of the body; (Theol.) consisting in outward acts, whence ~ISM(2) n.; belonging to the world of phenomena (~ world), outside the conscious subject; ~ evidence (derived from source independent of the thing discussed). 2. n. pl. Outward features or aspect, ~ circumstances, non-essentials. Hence **extér'näl'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *externus* outward + -AL]

extér'n'alize, v.t. Give, attribute, external existence to. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

extér'rítô'rial, a. (Of ambassadors etc.) free from jurisdiction of the territory in which one resides. So ~ITY (-äl-) n. [**EX**-]

extinct', a. (Of fire etc.) no longer burning; (of volcano) that has ceased eruption; (of life, hope, etc.) quenched; (of family, class, species) that has died out; (of office etc.) obsolete; (of title of nobility) having no qualified claimant. [f. L **EX**(stinguere stinct- quench)]

extinc'tion, n. Extinguishing; making, being, becoming, extinct; wiping out (of debt); annihilation. So ~IVE a. [f. L *extinctio* (as prec., see -ION)]

exting'uish (-ngw-), v.t. Put out, quench, (light, hope, life, faculties);

eclipse, obscure, (person) by superior brilliancy; reduce (opponent) to silence; destroy; wipe out (debt); annihilate. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [as EXTINGUISH, see -ISH¹]

exting'uisher (-nggw-), n. In vbl senses, esp. hollow conical cap for putting out candle. [-ER¹]

ex'tirp|âte, v.t. Root out, destroy, (tree, weed, species, nation, tumour, heresy, etc.). So ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR², nn. [f. L *ex(s)tirpare* (stirps stem), see -ATE²]

extôl', v.t. (-ll-). Praise enthusiastically (~ him to the skies). [f. L *ex(tollere)* raise)]

extôr't', v.t. Obtain (money, promise, etc.) by violence, intimidation, importunity, etc. (from); extract forcibly (meaning, inference, from words, data). Hence **extôr'tive** a. [f. L *ex(torquere)* tort-twist)]

extôr'tion, n. Extorting, esp. of money; illegal exaction. Hence ~ER¹ (-shon-) n. [f. L *extortio* (as prec., see -ION)]

extôr'tionate (-shon-), a. Using, given to, extortion; (of prices etc.) exorbitant. [-ATE²]

Ex'tra, a., adv., & n. 1. Additional; larger than its name indicates, as ~foolscap, octavo; of superior quality, as calf ~. 2. adv. More than usually, as ~strong; additionally; || ~special (latest) edition (of evening paper). 3. n. ~thing, one for which ~charge is made, as dancing is an ~; (Crick.) run not scored off bat; additional dance; (Cinemat.) person engaged temporarily for a minor part or to be one of a crowd. [prob. for EXTRAORDINARY, perh. f. F']

Ex'tra- in comb. = L *extra* in senses 'situated outside of a thing', 'not coming within its scope'; chiefly in wds f. med. L or mod. L (L has only *extraordinarius*), as: ~atmosph'ic, of the space beyond the atmosphere; ~côs'mical, acting outside the universe; ~crân'ial, outside the skull; ~essen'tial, not included in the essence of a thing; ~jud'i'cial, not belonging to the case before the court, not legally authorized, (of confession) not made in court; ~mân'dane, outside of our world or of the universe; ~mûr'al, outside the walls or boundaries (of town or city), (of lecturers etc.) from outside a university; ~off'i'cial, not pertaining to an office; ~parôch'ial, outside, not concerned with, the parish; ~phys'ical, not subject to physical laws; ~spéc'tral, lying outside the visible spectrum; ~terrê's'trial, outside the earth or its atmosphere; ~terrî'tôr'ial(ity), = EXTERIORAL(ITY).

Ex'trâct', n. The tough or viscid matter got by treating a substance with solvents & then evaporating them; preparation containing the active principle of a substance in concentrated form; passage from book etc. [as foll.]

extrâct', v.t. Copy out (passage in book etc.); make extracts from (book etc.);

take out by force (teeth, anything firmly fixed); draw forth (money, admission, etc.) against person's will; obtain (juices etc.) by suction, pressure, etc.; derive (pleasure etc. from); deduce (principle etc. from); (Math.) find (root of a number). Hence **extrâct'ABLE** a., **extrâct'or**² n. [f. L *ex(trahere)* tract-draw)]

extrâction, n. Extracting; lineage (of Indian ~); ~rate, proportion of total weight of unground wheat which is converted into flour, & not into bran or sharps, expressed as a percentage of the weight unground. [F, f. med. L *extractionem* (prec., -ION)]

extrâct'ive, a. & n. (Thing) of the nature of an extract; ~industries (concerned with obtaining natural productions). [-IVE]

extradit'able, a. Liable to, (of crime) warranting, extradition. [f. foll. + -ABLE]

Ex'tradite, v.t. Give up (fugitive foreign criminal) to the proper authorities; obtain the extradition of. [back formation f. foll.]

extradit'ion, n. Delivery of fugitive criminal to proper authorities; (Psych.) localizing of sensation at distance from the centre of sensation. [F (EX-, see TRADITION)]

extrâd'ôs, n. Upper or outer curve of arch. [F EXTRA(dos back f. L *dorsum*)]

extrân'éous, a. Of external origin; foreign to (object to which it is attached etc.); not belonging (to matter in hand, class). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *extraneus* (extra outside) + -OUS]

extrârd'inâr'y (-trôf-, -trâf-), a. & n. Out of the usual course; (of officials etc.) additional, specially employed; envoy ~y, diplomatic minister of second class, ranking next to ambassador; exceptional, surprising; unusually great; (n. pl.) extra allowances to troops (arch.). Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *extraordinarius* (extra ordinem outside the usual order, -ARY¹)]

extrapolâ'tion, n. (math.). The calculation from known terms of a series of other terms which lie outside the range of the known terms (also fig.). [EXTRA- + (INTER-)POLATION]

extrâvagance, n. Being extravagant; absurd statement or action. [F (foll., -ANCE)]

extrâv'agant, a. Immoderate; exceeding the bounds of reason; profuse, wasteful; (of price etc.) exorbitant. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L EXTRA(vagari) wander, see -ANT]

extrâvagân'sa, n. Fantastic composition (literary, musical, dramatic), language, or behaviour. [f. It. *estravaganza* (prec., -ANON)]

extrâv'agâte, v.i. (rare). Wander away (from right course, into error etc.); exceed due bounds. [as EXTRAVAGANT, see -ATE²]

extrāv'asāte, v.t. & i. Force out (fluid) from its proper vessel; flow out. Hence **extrāvāsā'tion** n. [EXTRA-, L *vas* vessel, -ATE²]

extrême', a. & n. 1. Outermost, farthest from centre, situated at either end; *divided in ~ & mean ratio* (the whole being to one part as that part to the other); utmost; last, as (R.-C. Ch.) ~ *unction*, anointing by priest of dying person; reaching a high degree, as ~ *old age*, in ~ *danger*; an ~ *case* (having some characteristic in the utmost degree); (of actions, measures) severe, stringent; (of opinions, persons, etc.) going to great lengths, opp. to *moderate*, whence **extrém'ism**, **extrém'ist**, nn.; *in the ~*, ~ly. 2. n. Thing at either end of anything, esp. (pl.) things as remote or as different as possible, as ~s *meet*; (Logic) subject or predicate in proposition, major or minor term in syllogism; (Math.) first, last, term of ratio or series; *run to an ~*, *go to ~s*, take an ~ course. Hence ~LY¹ (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mn-) n. [OF, f. L *extremus* superl. of *exterius* outward]

extrém'it'y, n. Extreme point, very end; *the ~ies*, hands & feet; extreme adversity, embarrassment, etc., as *driven to ~y*, *what can we do in this ~y?*; (usu. pl.) extreme measure(s). [f. F *extrémité* f. L *extremilatē* (prec., -TY)]

extr'icāte, v.t. Disentangle, release, (person, thing, from confinement, difficulty); (Chem.) liberate (gas etc.) from state of combination. Hence ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [f. L EX(tricare f. *tricare* perplexities), -ATE³]

extrin'sic, a. Lying outside, not belonging, (to); operating from without; not inherent or essential. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. F *extrinsecus* f. LL (adj.) f. L (adv.) *extrinsecus* (exter outside + -in local suf. + *secus* beside)]

extrōse', a. (bot.). (Of anthers) turned outwards. [F. f. L *extroreus* outwards (EXTRA- + *versus* towards)]

extr'ovért, n. (psych.). Person not given to introspection (chiefly in antithesis with **INTROVERT** n.). [f. L *extra* outside (w. assim. to INTRO-) + *vertēre* turn, after *convert* n.]

extrude' (-rōb-), v.t. Thrust out (person, thing, from). Hence **extru'sion** (-rōdzhn) n., **extru'sive** (-rōb-) a. [f. L EX(trudere *trus*-thrust)]

extrū'eriant (-gz-), a. Luxuriantly profuse (lit. & fig.); growing luxuriantly; (of health, emotions, etc.) overflowing, abounding; (of persons, actions, etc.) effusive, overflowing with spirits; (of language) copious, lavish in ornament; abundant. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE n., ~ANTLY² adv., (-gz-). [f. L EX(uberare be fruitful f. *uber* fertile, cf. *uber* udder, -ANT)]

extrū'erāte (-gz-), v.i. Abound, overflow; *indulge freely in*. [as prec., see -ATE²]

exūde' (-gz-), v.i. & t. Ooze out, give off (moisture etc.), like sweat. Hence or cogn. **exūda'tion** n., **exū'dative** (-gz-) a. [f. L EX(sudare sweat)]

exūlt' (-gz-), v.i. Rejoice exceedingly (*at*, *in*, *thing*, *to find* etc.); triumph (*over* person). Hence or cogn. **exūlt'ancy** (-gz-), **exūlta'tion**, nn., **exūl'tant** a., **exūl'tantly** adv., (-gz-). [f. F *exult* f. L EX(sultare = saltare frequent. of *salire* salt-leap)]

exūv'i'iae, n. pl. Animal's cast skin, shell, or covering, (recent or fossil, also fig.). Hence ~AL a. [L, = animal's skin, spoils of enemy, f. EX(uere divest oneself of)]

exūv'i'iate, v.t. & i. Shed (exuviae, also fig.), slough. Hence ~A'TION n. [prec., -ATE³]

ex vō'tō, adv. & n. (Offering made) in pursuance of a vow. [L (as adv. phr.)]

eyas (i'as), n. Young hawk taken from nest for training, or not yet completely trained. [orig. *nyas* f. F *nicia* f. L ⁺*nidilacem* (nom. -ar) f. *nidus* nest; for loss of n- cf. **ADDER**]

eye' (i), n. Organ of sight; iris of this, as *blue*, *brown*, ~s; region of the ~s, as **BLACK** ~; ~ of *day*, sun; **EVIL** ~; *in the wind's ~* (direction of the wind); (Mil.) ~s *right*, *left*, *front*, (turn them thus); *mind your ~*, take care; (contempt.) *pipe*, *put one's finger in*, one's ~, weep; *beam*, *mote*, *in one's ~* (Matt. vii. 3); ~ for ~, retaliation (Exod. xxi. 24); *clap*, *set*, ~s on, behold; *be all ~s*, watch intently; *up to the ~s*, deeply (engaged), as *up to the ~s in work*, mortgaged up to the ~s; *his ~s are bigger than his belly* (said of a person who has helped himself to more than he can eat); *made him open his ~s* (stare with astonishment); *open one's ~s to*, make him realize; *wipe the ~ of* (shooter), kill game he has missed; *all my ~* (& *Betty Martin*), humbug, nonsense; *my ~s* (a), int. expr. astonishment; *lose an ~*, (often) lose the sight of it; *if you had half an ~* (were not wholly blind or dull); *saw with half an ~* (at a glance); *the NAKED ~*; *have an ~ to*, have as one's object; *with an ~* (a view) to; *keep an ~ on*, keep watch on (lit. & fig.); *have an ~ for* (a due sense of) proportion etc.; *in the ~s* (judgement) of; *in the ~* (from the point of view) of the law; *in the mind's ~*, in anticipation or imagination; *see ~ to ~*, agree entirely (with); *view with a friendly*, *jealous*, ~ (with such feelings); *throw dust in the ~s of*; *make ~s* (look amorously) at; *cast SHEEP's ~s*; thing like an ~, as spot on peacock's tail, ~ of needle etc. (hole for thread etc.), *hook & ~* (kind of fastening for dress), loop of cord or rope, leafbud of potato; **BULL's ~**; *glass ~* (artificial, of glass etc.); **APPLE of the ~**; ~ball, pupil of the ~, ~ within lids & socket; ~bath, ~cup, small glass for applying lotion etc. to ~; ~bott, 'bott,

bar, with ~ at end for hook etc.; ~*bright* (also *euphrasy*), plant formerly used to cure weak ~s; ~*brow*, fringe of hair over ~; ~*glass*, lens for assisting defective sight, (pl.) pair of these held in position by hand or by spring on nose (cf. *SPECTACLE*); ~*hole*, hole containing ~, hole to look through; ~*lash*, hair, row of hairs, on edge of ~lid; ~*lid*, upper or lower cover of ~, (fig.) *hang on by the ~lids*, have only slight hold; ~*opener*, enlightening or surprising circumstance; ~*piece*, lens(es) at ~end of telescope etc.; ~*servant* (working properly only under employer's ~); ~*service* (performed only thus); ~*shot*, seeing-distance, as *beyond*, *in*, *out of*, ~*shot* (of); ~*sight*, power, faculty, of seeing; ~*sore*, ugly object, thing that offends the sight; ~*splice* (made by turning up end of rope & interlacing its strands with those of upper part); ~*strings*, muscles, nerves, tendons, of ~; ~*tooth* (canine, just under or next to ~, in upper or lower jaw); ~*wash*, lotion for ~, (sl.) bunkum, mere professions; ~*water*, tears, lotion for ~, aqueous or vitreous humours of ~; ~*witness*, one who can bear witness from his own observation. Hence (-)eyed³ (id), ~LESS (II-), aa. [OE *ēage*, Du. *oog*, G *auge*, f. OTeut. *augon*, etym. dub.]

eye³ (I), v.t. (part. *eying* or ~ing). Observe, watch, (*jealously*, *narrowly*, with *disgust*, ASKANCE, etc.). [f. prec.]

eye'let (II-), n. Small hole in cloth, sail, etc., for lace, ring, rope, etc.; loop-hole; ~*hole*, small hole to look or shoot through; small eye. [ME *oilet* f. F *œillet* dim. of *œil* eye f. L *oculus*]

eyot. See **AIT**.

eyre (ār), n. (hist.). Circuit, circuit court, as *Justices in Eyre*. [f. OF *eire* f. *error* (ERRANT 1)]

eyrie. See **ARRIE**.

F

F (ēf), letter (pl. *F's*, *F's*). (Mus.; also *fa*) fourth note in diatonic scale of C major (*F sharp*, loc. for *flea*).

fa (fab), n. Fourth note of octave in solmization. [first syl. of *famuli*, see **GAMUT**]

Fāb'ian, a. Employing cautious & dilatory strategy to wear out an enemy (esp. ~ *policy*); ~ *Society* (of socialists following such policy). [f. L *Fabianus* (Q. Fabius Cunctator (= delayer), commander against Hannibal, -AN)]

fā'ble¹, n. Story, esp. of supernatural character, not founded on fact; (collect.) myths, legendary tales; idle talk (*old wives' ~s*); false statement, lie; thing only supposed to exist; short story, esp. with animals for characters, conveying a moral, apologue; plot of play etc. [F, f. L *fabula* (*fari* speak)]

fā'ble², v.i. & t. (arch. & poet.). Romance, tell fictitious tales, whence **fāb'lar**² n.; state fictitiously; (p.p.) celebrated in fable, legendary, fictitious. [f. OF *fabler* f. L *fabulari* see prec.]

fāb'lau (-lō), n. (pl. -z, pr. -z). Metrical tale of early French poetry. [F]

fāb'ric, n. Thing put together; edifice, building; frame, structure, (lit. & fig.); (often *textile* ~) woven material; construction, texture, tissue. [f. F *fabrique* f. L *fabrica* (*faber* artificer)]

fāb'ric'ate, v.t. Construct, manufacture, (rare); invent (facts), forge (document). So ~'TION, ~'ATOR², nn. [f. L *fabricare* as prec., -ATE³]

fāb'ulist, n. Composer of fables or apoloques; liar. [f. F *fabuliste* (FABLE¹, -IST)]

fāb'ulous, a. Given to legend (~ *historians*); celebrated in fable; unhistorical, legendary, incredible, absurd, exaggerated. Hence or cogn. **fāb'ulos'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *fabulosus* (FABLE¹, -OUS)]

façade' (-sahd), n. Face of building towards street or open space. [F (foll., -ADE³)]

face¹, n. 1. Front of head from forehead to chin (*look one in the ~*, confront him steadily; *show one's ~*, appear; ~ to ~, confronted; ~ to ~ with, confronting; *set one's ~ against*, oppose; *with wind, sun*, in one's ~, straight against one; *fly in the ~ of*, openly disobey; *in ~ of*, opposite to; *in the ~ of*, or *in ~ of*, despite; *to person's ~*, openly in his presence; *in the ~ of day*, openly; *her ~ is her fortune*, beauty her only dower; ~*lifting*, operation of tightening the skin and smoothing out wrinkles in order to give more youthful appearance. 2. Expression of countenance (*pull, wear, a long ~*, look serious or dismal); grimace (*value, pull, a ~ or ~s*). 3. Composure, coolness, effrontery, (*have the ~*, be shameless enough; *save one's ~*, forbear from or evade shaming him or oneself openly). 4. Outward show, aspect, (*on the ~ of it*, to judge by appearance; *put a new ~ on*, alter aspect of; *put a good, bold, ~ on matter*, make it look well, show courage in facing it); *lose ~*, be humiliated, lose one's credit or good name (transl. of Chin. *tiú lien*). 5. Surface (*from the ~ of the earth*); front, façade, right side, obverse, dial-plate of clock etc., working surface of implement etc. 6. ~*ache*, neuralgia; ~ *card*, king, queen, or knave; ~ *value*, nominal value as stated on coin, note, etc. Hence -**faced**² (-st) a. [F, f. pop. L *facia* = *facies* (*facere* make, or *fa*-shine)]

face², v.t. & i. 1. Meet confidently or defiantly (~ *matter out*, carry it through; ~ *opponent down*, browbeat him), not shrink from, stand fronting, (~ *the music*, not quail at moment of trial); present itself to (*the problem that ~s us*). 2. Turn

(card) face upwards. 3. (Of persons etc.) look, (of things) be situated, in a certain direction (*on, to, or North, Eastwards, etc.*). 4. Front towards, be opposite to, (*to ~ page 20*). 5. (Lacrosse, Ice hockey, etc.) place (ball, puck, etc.) between crosses, sticks, etc., of two opposing players as preliminary to commencement of game (*so ~ off*). 6. (Mil.) turn in certain direction on one's ground (*left, about, ~*; also *trans., he ~d his men about*). 7. Supply (garment) with FACINGS; cover (surface) with layer of other material; dress surface of; coat (tea) with colouring matter. [f. prec.]

fā'cer, n. Blow in the face; great & sudden difficulty. [FACE + -ER¹]

fā'cēt, n. One side of a many-sided body, esp. of a cut gem; one segment of a compound eye. Hence ~ED² a. [f. F *facette* (FACE¹, -ETTE)]

facē'tiae (-shē), n. pl. Pleasantries, witticisms; (book catalogues) books of humorous or erotic character. [L (*facetus* urbane)]

facē'tious (-shus), a. Addicted to or marked by pleantry, waggish. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). [f. F *facétieux* (*facelle* f. L *facetia* sing. of prec.)]

fā'cia (-shā), n. Plate over shop-front with occupier's name etc. [var. of FASCIA]

fā'cial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of the face (esp. in Anat., as ~ artery); ~angle, that formed by two angles from nostril to (1) ear & (2) forehead. 2. n. Face massage. [F, f. med. L *facialis* (FACE¹, -AL)]

-fā'cient (-shnt), suf. forming adj. representing L *-facient-* (*facere* make, -ENT) added to *lufin*. in ~RE, as *calefacere*, *liquefacere*, w. sense *producing the action* of the vb. E forms, on strict anal. w. L, *absorbefacient* etc., & loosely, *abortifacient*, *colorifacient*, etc., where L would have vbs in ~ficare, adj. in ~ficus -RIO.

fā'cile, a. Easily done or won; working easily, ready, fluent; of easy temper, gentle, flexible, yielding. [F, f. L *facilis* (*facere* do)]

fā'cile prin'cēps, pred. a. Easily first. [L]

facil'itāte, v.t. Make easy, promote, help forward, (action or result). Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *faciliter* (FACILE, -ATE³)]

facil'it'y, n. Being easy, absence of difficulty, unimpeded opportunity (*give ~ies for, of doing*); ease or readiness of speech etc., aptitude, dexterity, fluency; pliancy. [f. F *facilité* f. L *facilitatem* (FACILE, -TY)]

fā'cing, n. In vbl senses of FACE²; esp.: (pl.) cuffs, collar, etc., of soldier's jacket, differently coloured from rest; coating of different material, esp. of stone etc. on wall; turning in some direction (*put person through his ~s*, test his qualities, proficiency, etc.; *go through one's ~s*, be thus tested). [-ING¹]

fācsm'ilē, n., & v.t. Exact copy, esp. of writing, printing, picture, etc. (*reproduced in ~, exactly*); (vb) make ~ of. [L *fac* imperat. of *facere* make + neut. of *similis* like]

fāct, n. Perpetration of act, occurrence of event, (now only in *before, after, the ~, confess the ~*); thing certainly known to have occurred or be true, datum of experience, (often with explanatory clause or phrase, as *the ~ that fire burns, of my having seen him*); the ~s of life (colloq.), details of animal reproduction; thing assumed as basis for inference (*his ~s are disputable*); (sing. without a) the true or existent, reality, (so *matter of ~*, independent of inference; MATTER¹-of ~; *in ~*; as *a matter of ~*; *in point of ~*; the ~ of the matter is); ~-finding adj., engaged in finding out ~s. [f. L *factum* neut. p.p. of *facere* do]

fāct'ion, n. Self-interested, turbulent, or unscrupulous party, esp. in politics; prevalence of party spirit. Hence or cogn: ~AL (-shon-), fāct'ious (-shus), aa., fāct'iously² adv., fāct'iousNESS n., (-shus-). [F, f. L *factionem* (*facere* fact- do, -ION) way of making (FASHION), class, clique]

-faction, suf. repr. L *-factio*, forming nn. of action related to vv. in -FY, prop. only when -fy represents L *-facere*, F *-faire*, as in *satisfaction*, but also used when -fy represents L *-ficare*, F *-fier*, as in *petrifaction*.

fācti'tious (-shus), a. Designedly got up, not natural, artificial. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. (-shus-). [f. L *facticius* (*facere* fact- make) + -OUS]

fāct'itive, a. (gram.). ~ verb, one with sense *make, call, or think*, that takes obj. & compl. (*he thought her mad*). [irreg. f. L *facere* fact- make, -IVE]

fāc'tor, n. Agent, deputy; merchant buying & selling on commission, whence ~AGE(4) n.; || (Sc.) land agent, steward; (Math.) one of the components that make up a number or expression by multiplication; circumstance, fact, or influence, contributing to a result; ~ cost, cost of product to producer; ~ of safety (Engineering), ratio of a material's strength to the maximum load etc. it may have to sustain. [f. F *facteur* f. L *factor* (prec., -OR²)]

fāctō'rial, n. & a. (math.). Product of series of factors in arithmetical progression; product of an integer & all lower integers (adj., ~ 4, symbol $\frac{4}{1}$ or $\frac{4!}{1!} = 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$). [-IAL]

fāc'tory, n. Merchant company's foreign trading station; manufactory, workshop, (|| F ~ Acts, regulating management in interest of the hands). [ult. f. med. L *factoria* (FACTOR, -Y¹)]

fāctōt'um, n. Man of all work; servant managing his master's affairs. [med. L, as FACSIMILE + neut. of L *totus* whole]

făc'tūāl, a. Concerned with, of the nature of, fact. Hence **~ly**¹ adv. [f. **FACT** on false anal. of **ACTUAL**]

făc'tūm, n. Statement of facts or points in controversy, memorial. [L, see **FACT**]

făc'ūl'a, n. (astron.; pl. -ae). Bright spot or streak on sun. Hence **~ar**¹, **~ous**, aa. [L, dim. of *fax fac-torch*]

făc'ultăive, a. Permissive; optional; contingent; of a faculty. [F (*-if, -ive*); foll., -IVE]

făc'ult'y, n. Aptitude for any special kind of action; executive ability (chiefly U.S.); power inherent in the body or an organ; a mental power, e.g. the will, reason; || branch of art or science, department of University teaching (*the four ~ies*, Theology, Law, Medicine, Arts), Masters & Doctors in any of these (|| pop., *The F~y*, members of medical profession); liberty of doing something given by law or a superior, authorization, licence, (esp. eccl.). [f. F *faculté* f. L *facultatem* (*facilis* easy)]

făd, n. Pet notion or rule of action, craze, piece of fancied enlightenment. Hence **~d'isn**¹, **~d'y**², aa., **~d'iness**, **~d'ishness**, **~d'ism**(3), **~d'ist**(2), nn. [f]

făde, v.i. & t. Droop, wither, lose freshness & vigour; (of colour etc.) grow dim or pale; cause to lose colour; disappear gradually; (Cinemat.) cause (picture) to pass gradually *in* or *out* (of view on the screen), (transf. of sound-films and broadcasting) increase or reduce (sound) from or to inaudibility, whence **făd'ing**¹ vbl n. Hence **~less** a., **~lessly**¹ adv., (-dl-). [f. OF *fader* (*fade* dull, insipid, perh. f. L *vapidus*)]

făc'cēs (-z), n. pl. Sediment; excrement of the bowels. Hence **făc'c'AL** a. [L, pl. of *faex*]

Fă'erie, -r'y, n. & a. Fairlyland, the fairies, esp. as represented by Spenser; (attrib.) visionary, fancied. [var. of **FAIRY**]

făg, v.i. & t. (-gg-), & n. 1. Toll painfully; (of occupation) tire, make weary; || (at schools, of seniors) use the service of (juniors), (of juniors) do service for seniors; (Cricket) *~ out*, field; *~ end*, inferior or useless remnant. 2. n. || Drudgery, unwelcome task (*what a ~*), exhaustion (*brain~*); || (at schools) junior who has to *~*; (sl.) cigarette. [perh. corrupt. of **FLAG** v.]

făgg'ot, **făg'ot**, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Bundle of sticks or twigs bound together as fuel; bundle of steel rods; || dish of liver chopped, seasoned, & baked; || *~ vote*, manufactured by transferring sufficient property to unqualified person, so *~ voter*. 2. vb. Blind in *~s*, make *~s*. [F (*fagot*), etym. dub.]

Făhr'enheit (-ht), a. (abbr. F.). *~ thermometer*, with 32° & 212° for freezing & boiling points (used esp. in giving temperatures, as 50° F.). [Prussian inventor d. 1736]

faience (see Ap.), n. Decorated earthenware & porcelain. [f. F *faience* f. *Faenza* Italian town]

fail¹, n. *Without ~*, for certain, irrespective of hindrances, (emphasizing injunction or promise). [f. OF *faillir* (*faillir* fail²)]

fail², v.i. & t. (strictly, intr. with ind. obj.). Be missing (see **FAILING**) or insufficient, not suffice for needs of (person), run short, (*time would ~ me to tell*; *words ~ me*, I cannot adequately describe etc.; *his heart ~ed him*); neglect, not remember or not choose, to (*he ~ed to appear*; *don't ~ to let me know*); become extinct, die away; flag, break down; prove misleading, disappoint hopes of, (*the prophecy ~ed*; *the wind ~ed us*); be insufficiently equipped *in*, not succeed in the attainment of; not succeed (*in doing* or *to do*); miscarry, come to nothing; suspend payment, go bankrupt; be rejected as candidate. [f. OF *faillir* f. pop. L ⁺*fallire* = L *fallere* deceive]

fail'ing¹, n. In vbl senses; also, foible, shortcoming, weakness. [-ING¹]

fail'ing², prep. In default of (*~ this*, if this does not happen; *whom ~* or *~ whom* in proxy appointments). [-ING²]

faillie (făl), n. A light glossless ribbed silk dress-material. [F]

fail'ure (-yer), n. Non-occurrence, non-performance; running short, breaking down; ill success; unsuccessful person, thing, or attempt; insolvency. [earlier *failor* for F *faillir* **FAIL**², cf. -ER⁴, -URE]

fain¹, prod. a., & adv. Willing under the circumstances *to*; left with no alternative but *to*. (adv.) *would ~*, would be glad to. [OE *fægan* cogn. w. OHG (*gib*) *fehan* rejoice]

|| **fain**², **fains** (-z), **fēn(s)** (-z), child's formula (usu. *fains I* as v.t.) stipulating for exemption from unwelcome office etc. (*~ I wicket-keeping*!). [f]

fainéant (see Ap.), n. & a. Idle(r), inactive (official). [F, perversion on *faire* do, néant nothing, of OF *faignant* sluggish (*faindre* skulk)]

faint¹, a. Sluggish; timid (*~ heart*, coward; so *~ heart*² EP¹ (-hărt-) a., *~ heart*² EDU² adv., *~ heart*² EDNESS n.); feeble (*a ~ show of resistance*); dim, indistinct, pale (*~ or feint lines*, *ruled ~ or feint*, of paper with lines to guide writing; *a ~ idea*, inadequate); giddy or languid with fear, hunger, etc., inclined to swoon; (of air, scents, etc.) sickly, oppressive. Hence **~ish**² (2) a., **~ly**² adv., **~ness** n. [OF, p.p. of *faindre* FAIGN]

faint², v.i., & n. Lose courage, give way, (arch.); swoon (v. & n.; *~ed away*; *in a dead ~*, utterly insensible). [f. prec.]

faints, n. pl. Impure spirit coming over at beginning & end of distillation. [f. **FAINT**¹]

fair¹, n. Periodical gathering for sale of goods, often with shows & entertainments,

at place & time fixed by charter, statute, or custom (*a day after the ~, too late*); FANCY ~. [f. OF *feire* (now *foire*) f. L *feria* holiday]

fair¹, a., n., & v.i. & t. 1. Beautiful (*the ~ sex, the ~ women*; also arch. as n., a ~ = a woman); satisfactory, abundant, (*a ~ heritage*); specious (~ *speeches*); blond, not dark, (*a ~ man, complexion, hair*, whence ~*haired*¹ a.); clean, clear, unblemished, (~ *water*; ~ *copy*¹; ~ *fame*); just, unbiased, equitable, legitimate, (~ *& square* a. & adv., without finesse, above-board; ~ *trade*, principle that reciprocity should be the condition of free trade; *a ~ field*¹ & *no favour*; *all's ~ in love & war*; ~ *play*, equal conditions for all); of moderate quality, not bad, pretty good, whence ~*ish*¹(2) a.; favourable, promising, gentle, unobstructed, (~ *or foul weather*; ~*weather friends*, not good at need; *in a ~ way to succeed*; *by ~ means*, without violence or fraud; ~*way*, navigable channel, regular course or track of ship, prepared part of golf-links free from hazards between tee and green); || ~*light*, = TRANSOM window; ~*maid*, = FUMADE; *February Fair-maids*, snowdrops. 2. v.i. (Of weather) become ~; (v.t.) make ~ copy of (document); (Shipbuilding etc.) make smooth and regular. Hence ~NESS n. [com.-Teut.; OE *fæger* cf. OHG *fagar*]

fair², adv. *Speak one ~*, address him courteously; ~*spoken*, (of person) courteous, bland; *write out ~*, as *FAIR² copy*; *hit, fight, ~*, according to the rules; *BID¹ ~*; ~ *& softly*, gently, not so fast, (esp. as protest against assumptions etc.); (with *strike, fall*, etc.) straight, plump, clean. [OE *fægre* (prec.)]

fair'ing¹, n. Present bought at a fair. [-ING¹]

fair'ing², n. The making of an aircraft's surface smooth and streamlined; any light structure added for this purpose. [f. *FAIR²* as v.t. + -ING¹]

Fair Isle (il), n. One of the Shetlands; || ~ (*sweater, pull-over*, etc.), jersey knitted in design said to be Moorish & to be traceable to Armada wrecks.

fair'ly, adv. In adj. senses; (also) utterly, completely, (~ *beside himself*; there is sometimes doubt between this sense & that of *rather, tolerably*, as in ~ *good*). [-LY¹]

fair'ly, n. & a. 1. Small supernatural being with magical powers; ~ *lamps* (of glass, for esp. outdoor decoration); *Fairyland*, home of ~ies, enchanted region; ~ *ring*, circular band of darker grass caused by fungi & attributed to ~y dancing; ~ *tale*, about ~ies, also account of strange incident, coincidence, marvellous progress, etc.; hence ~yDOM, ~yHOOD, ~yISM, nn. 2. adj. Of ~ies; imaginary, fictitious; ~y-like, beautiful & delicate or small, whence ~LY¹ adv. [f. OF *faerie* (now *férie*) f. OF *fae* FAY]

fait accompli (see Ap.), n. Thing done & no longer worth arguing against. [F]

faith, n. Reliance, trust, in; belief founded on authority (*win one's ~ to or upon*, believe implicitly); (Theol.) belief in religious doctrines, esp. such as affects character & conduct, spiritual apprehension of divine truth apart from proof; system of religious belief (*the Ch Jewish, ~*; DEFENDER of the F ~; the ~, the true religion); things (to be) believed; warrant (*on the ~ of*); promise, enment, (*give, pledge, plight, keep, violate*, one's ~); loyalty, fidelity, (*good ~*, honesty of intention; *bad ~*, intent to deceive; *Punic ~*, treachery); ~*cure*, ~*curer*, ~*healing*, ~*healer*, acting by prayer, not drugs etc. [f. OF *feid* f. L *fides*]

faith'ful, a. Loyal, constant, (to person, one's word), conscientious; trustworthy; true to fact, the original, etc., accurate; the ~ (pl.), true believers, esp. Mohammedans (*Father of the ~*, Caliph). Hence ~NESS n. [-FUL]

faith'fully, adv. In adj. senses; esp.: *yours ~*, formula of rather distant tone for closing letter; *deal ~ with*, speak home truths to or of; *promise ~*, emphatically (colloq.). [-LY²]

faith'less, a. Unbelieving; perfidious, false to promises; unreliable. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

fāke¹, v.t., & n. (naut.). Coil (rope); (n.) one round of a coil. [f]

fāke², v.t., & n. 1. Do up, make presentable or specious, contrive out of poor material. 2. n. Piece of faking, thing ~d up, dodge, cooked report. Hence ~MENT (-km-) n., ~. [perh. f. G *fegen* sweep]

fakir' (-ō), n. Mohammedan (or Hindu) religious mendicant, devotee. [f. Arab. *fakir* poor man]

fāl'bala, n. Flounce, trimming. [f]

fāl'cāte, a. (anat., bot., zool.). Hooked, sickle-shaped. [f. L *falcatus* f. *falx* sickle, -ATE²(2)]

fāl'cāted, a. (astron.). = prec. (of moon etc.). [as prec., see -ATE¹]

falchion (faw'l'chōn), n. Broad curved convex-edged sword. [f. OF *fauchon* f. pop. L **falcionem* nom. -o (L *falx* sickle)]

fāl'cifōrm, a. (anat.). Sickle-shaped. [f. L *falx* -is sickle + -FORM]

falcon (faw'kn, fawl'kn), n. Small diurnal bird of prey, esp. as trained to hawk for sport (in ~ry the female only, cf. TERCEL). So ~RY(2, 5) n. [f. OF *faucon* f. LL *falconem* perh. f. L *falx* sickle]

falc'oner (fawk-), n. Keeper and trainer of hawks; one who hunts with hawks. [f. OF *falconnier*, see prec., -ER²(2)]

falc'onet (fawk-), n. 1. (Hist.) light cannon. 2. Species of shrike. [first sense f. It. *falconetto* dim. of *falcone* FALCON; last f. FALCON + -ET¹]

fāldērāl, n. Gewgaw, trifle. [earlier as meaningless refrain in songs]

fald'stōol (fawl-), n. Bishop's armless chair; || movable desk for kneeling at; desk for litany to be said from. [f. med. L *faldistolium* f. OHG *faldstul* (faldan to fold, stool)]

Falern'ian, n. A famous wine of ancient Campania. [f. L (*vinum*) *Falernum* Falernian (wine) + -IAN]

fall¹ (fawl), v.i. (*fell*; ~en often conjugated with *be*, see -ED¹(2), & used as adj.).

1. Descend freely (~ing star, meteor), drop (the remark fell from him; lambs ~, are born), come down, lose high position (statesmen ~; ~en angel, one of those cast out of heaven), swoop (vengeance fell). 2. Become detached, hang down; sink to lower level (barometer, prices, ~), decline, slope; disembody into; subside, ebb, abate; show dismay (*faces* ~), droop (*eyes* ~). 3. Cease to stand (~ing sickness arch., epilepsy), become prostrate, come to ground, sin, be overthrown, perish (~ prostrate, flat; plans ~ to the ground, are abandoned, fall; ~ on one's sword, in suicide; *wicket* ~s, batsman is out; fortress ~s, is taken; woman ~s, loses chastity; many fell, were killed in battle; seven lions fell to his rifle; ~en on evil times, in misfortune; ~ a prey or sacrifice to; ~ into error; houses ~, tumble in fragments; ~ to pieces, in two, asunder). 4. Take such a direction (his eye fell upon me), have such a place (accent ~s on first syllable), alight, come by chance etc., (the lot fell upon me; it fell to my lot to; cost ~s to you; it fell in my way; ~ amongst thieves, upon a corrupt age; subject ~s into three divisions). 5. Pass into such a state (fell into a rage, in love), become so-&-so (~ dumb, due); lapse, revert, (revenues ~ to the Crown). 6. Occur, have date, (Easter ~s early), find place (what now ~s to be described). 7. With prepp.: ~ a- ~ing, begin; ~ behind, be passed by; *~ for (sl.), be captivated by, admire, yield to the charms or merits of; ~ into, (line) take one's place in the ranks, combine with others, (conversation with) begin talking to, (habit etc.) adopt it; ~ (upon), assault, come across, (one's feet or legs) get well out of difficulty; ~ to ~ing, take to, begin, (also ~ to work); ~ under, be classed among, be subjected to (observation etc.); ~ within, be included in. 8. With advv.: ~ astern, (of ship) drop behind; ~ away, desert, revolt, apostatize, decay, vanish; ~ back, retreat; ~ back upon, have recourse to; ~ behind, lag; ~ foul of, come into collision with, quarrel with, attack; ~ in, (Mil.) take or cause to take places in line, (of buildings etc.) give way inwards, (of debt etc.) become due, (of land etc.) become available, (of lease) run out; ~ in with, happen to meet, accede to (views), agree with (person), coincide with, humour; ~ off, withdraw, decrease, degenerate (so ~ing off, n.), (of

ship) refuse to answer helm, (of subjects) revolt; ~ on, join battle, begin feeding; ~ out, quarrel, come to pass, result well etc., (Mil.) leave the ranks; ~ out of, give up (habit) etc.; ~ short, become insufficient, (of missile) not go far enough; ~ short of, fail to obtain; ~ through, miscarry, fail; ~ to, begin eating or fighting. [com.-Teut.; OE *feallan* cf. G *fallen*; also L *fallere* deceive]

fall² (fawl), n. Act of falling (see prec.); also or esp.: amount of rain etc. that falls; (now chiefly U.S.; also ~ of the year or leaf) autumn; number of lambs born; cataract, cascade, (often pl.); downward trend, amount of descent; wrestling-bout, throw in this, (try a ~, lit. & fig.); rope of holsting-tackle; amount of timber cut down; succumbing to temptation (the F~ of man, Adam's sin and its results); kind of woman's veil. [f. prec.]

fall'acy, n. Misleading argument, sophism, (Log.) flaw that vitiates syllogism, one of the types of such flaws; delusion, error, (PATHETIC ~); unsoundness, delusiveness, disappointing character, (of arguments or beliefs). So **falla'cious** (-shus) a., **falla'ciously** adv., **falla'ciousness** n., (-shus-). [f. L *fallacia* (fallax deceiving f. *fallere* deceive) see -ACY]

fäll-läl', n. Piece of finery. Hence **fälläl** (l)ERY(5) n. [contemptuous reduplication, cf. *gewgau*, perh. f. *FALHALA*]

fäll'ible, a. Liable to err or be erroneous. Hence **fällibil'ity** n. [f. LL *fallibilis* (fallere deceive, -BLE)]

Fallöp'ian, a. Of Fallopius the Italian anatomist (d. 1562); ~ tubes, the human oviducts. [-AN]

fäll'ow¹ (-ō), n., a., & v.t. (Ground) ploughed and harrowed but left uncropped for a year; uncultivated (land); (vb) break up (land) for sowing or to destroy weeds. [ME *falwe* ploughed land, cf. OE *fealga* harrows]

fäll'ow² (-ō), a. Of pale brownish or reddish yellow (now only in ~deer, species smaller than red deer). [OE *fału* cf. G *fahl*, prob. cogn. w. L *pallidus* pale & Gk *pólios* grey]

false (fawls), a. & adv. 1. Erroneous, wrong, incorrect, (~ idea, verdict; ~ concord, breach of agreement rules in grammar; ~ quantity, incorrect length of vowel in verse or pronunciation; ~ note in music; ~ drawing; ~ imprisonment, illegal; ~ weights etc.; ~ pride, shame, based on wrong notions; ~ position, one that tempts person to act against his principles; ~ step, stumble, transgression; ~ start, wrong start (in racing); lying, deceitful, treacherous, unfaithful to; deceptive (~ mirror, medium); spurious, sham, artificial, (~ coin, god, prophet, hair, teeth); ~ colours, flag one has no right to, lit. & fig.; improperly so called, pseudo, (~

acacia; ~ *bottom*, horizontal partition in vessel; ~ *KEEL*; ~ *pretences*, misrepresentations made with intent to deceive; hence or cogn. ~LY¹ (-awls-) adv., ~NESS (-awlsn-), fal'SITY (fawl-), nn. 2. adv. *Play* person ~, cheat, betray. [OE *fals* f. L *falsus* p.p. of *fallere* deceive]
false'hood (fawls-h-), n. Falsity; something untrue, contrariety to fact; lying, lie(s). [-HOOD]

falsëtt'ô (fawl-), n. (pl. -os). Head voice in men, as used by male altos (*in* ~, *a* ~ *tone*, etc., often of sham indignation). [It., dim. of *falso* FALSE]

fals'isif (fawl-), v.t. Fraudulently alter (document); misrepresent; make wrong, pervert; disappoint (hope, fear, etc.). So ~ICA'TION (fawl-). [f. F *falsifier* f. LL *falsificare* (FALSE, -FY)]

fal'ter (fawl-), v.i. & t. Stumble, stagger, go unsteadily; stammer, speak hesitatingly, (~ *out*, utter, say, thus); waver, lose courage, flinch. Hence ~ingly² adv. [f]

fâme', n. Public report, rumour; reputation (*house of ill* ~, bawdy-house), good reputation; renown, celebrity. [F, f. L *fama*=Gk *phēmē* (fa- speak)]

fâme', v.t. (Pass.) be currently reported as, for, to be or do; (p.p.) famous, much spoken of, (*for valour* etc.). [f. OF *famer* (prec.)]

famil'iar (-lyar), a. & n. 1. Of one's family (arch. for *family* attrib.); intimate (*with*), in close friendship (~ *spirit*, or ~ as n., demon attending & obeying witch etc.); closely acquainted *with* (some subject); well known, no longer novel, (*to*); common, current, usual; unceremonious, free, over-free; amorously or sexually intimate (*with*). 2. n. (R.-C. Ch.) person rendering certain services in Pope's or bishop's household; intimate friend or associate; ~ *spirit*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *familier* f. L *familiaris* (FAMILY, -AR¹)]

familiâ'rity, n. Close intercourse, intimacy *with* person or some subject; amorous intimacy, (pl.) caresses etc.; unceremoniousness, treating of inferiors or superiors as equals, (~ *breeds contempt*). [f. F *familiarité* f. L *familiaritatem* (prec., -TY)]

famili'iariz (-lyar-), v.t. Make (thing) well known; make (person, person's *mind* etc., oneself) well acquainted or at home *with*. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

fâm'il'y, n. 1. Members of a household, parents, children, servants, etc. (*happy* animals of different kinds in one cage); set of parents & children, or of relations, living together or not (*Holy F*~, the Virgin, Jesus, St Joseph, & often St John Baptist & St Elizabeth, as grouped in pictures); person's children. 2. All descendants of common ancestor, house, lineage, (of ~, well born); race, group of peoples from common stock. 3. Brother-

hood of persons or nations united by political or religious ties. 4. Group of objects distinguished by common features. 5. Group of allied genera, usu. subdivision of ORDER. 6. ~ *butcher* etc., supplying families as opp. to the army etc.; ~ *hotel*, with special terms for families; *in a* ~ *way*, without ceremony; || *in the* ~ *way*, with child; ~ *Bible*, large Bible with fly-leaves for registering births etc.; || ~ *coach*, large closed carriage, a game of forfeits; F~ *Compact*, in 18th c. between Bourbons of France, Spain, & Two Sicilies, esp. against England & Austria; ~ *likeness*, that between relations, vague resemblance; || ~ *living*, benefice in gift of head of ~; ~ *man*, one with ~, domestic person; ~ *tree*, genealogical chart. [f. L *familia* household (*famulus* servant, -IA¹)]

fâm'ine, n. Extreme scarcity of food in a district etc.; dearth of something specified, as *water* ~ (~ *prices*, raised by scarcity); hunger, starvation, (*died of* ~); [F, f. LL ¹*famina* f. L *fames* hunger, -INE¹]

fâm'ish, v.t. & i. Reduce, be reduced, to extreme hunger; (colloq.) *be* ~ing, feel hungry. [obs. *fame* v. f. L *fames* hunger, -ISH¹]

fâm'ous, a. Celebrated (*for* quality etc.), well known; (colloq.) capital, excellent, whence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *fameus* f. L *famosus* (FAME, -OSE¹)]

fâm'ulus, n. (pl. -li). Attendant on magician. [L, = servant]

fân', n. Winnowing-machine; instrument, usu. folding & sector-shaped when spread out, on radiating ribs, for agitating air to cool face; anything so spread out, as bird's tail, wing, leaf, kind of ornamental vaulting (~ *tracery*); rotating apparatus giving current of air for ventilation etc.; (Naut.) (blade of) screw, propeller; (in windmill) small sail for keeping head towards wind; || ~ *light*, ~-shaped window over door; ~ *tail*, ~-shaped tail or end, kind of pigeon, || coal-heaver's hat or sou'-wester. [OE *fann* f. L *vannus* winnowing-basket]

fân', v.t. & i. (-nn-). Winnow (corn), whence ~N'ER¹(2) n.; winnow away (chaff), sweep away (as) by wind from fan; move (air) with fan; drive current of air (as) with fan upon, to cool (face etc.) or to kindle (flame); ~ *the flame*, increase excitement etc.; (of breeze) blow gently on, cool; spread out (t. & i.) in fan shape. [f. prec.]

fân', n. (sl.). Devotee of a specified amusement, as *film* ~s, *football* ~s. [abbr. of foll.]

fânât'ic, a. & n. (Person) filled with excessive & mistaken enthusiasm, esp. in religion. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY¹ adv., ~ISM n., ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t. [f. L *fana-ticus* (*fanum* temple, -ATIC)]

fān'cier, n. Connoisseur in some article or animal (of which the name is usu. prefixed, as *dog*, *rose*, ~). [FANCY², -ER¹]

fān'ciful, a. Indulging in fancies, whimsical, capricious; fantastically designed, ornamented, etc., odd-looking; imaginary, unreal. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

fān'cý, n. & a. 1. Delusion, unfounded belief; faculty of calling up things not present, of inventing imagery; mental image; arbitrary supposition; caprice, a whim; individual taste, inclination, (take a ~ to, for; catch the ~ of, please); the ~, those who have a certain hobby, = *fanciers*, esp. the patrons of boxing; art of breeding animals with certain points of excellence; ~-free, not in love.

2. adj. (not pred.). Ornamental, not plain, (~ bread; ~ dress, masquerade costume, so ~-dress or ~-ball; ~-work, ornamental sewing etc.); || ~ fair, bazaar for sale of ~ goods; (of flowers etc.) particoloured; capricious, whimsical, extravagant, (at a ~ price; || ~ franchise, based on complicated or arbitrary qualifications; ~ dog, pigeon, etc., bred for particular points of beauty etc.); based on imagination, not fact (~ picture); ~ man, sweetheart, (sl.) man living on earnings of a prostitute. [contraction of FANTASY]

fān'cý, v.t. Picture to oneself, conceive, imagine, (~ oneself dead; ~ a blue dahlia; ~ him to be here, that he is here; imperat. as excl. of surprise, ~ I, ~ his believing it); be inclined to suppose, rather think; (colloq.) have good conceit of (oneself, one's game etc.); take a fancy to, like; breed, grow, (animals, plants) with attention to certain points. [f. prec.]

fāndangle (-áng'gl), n. Fantastic ornament, tomfoolery. [perh. f. foll.]

fāndāng'ō (-ngg-), n. (pl. -oes). Lively Spanish dance; tune for this. [Sp.]

fāne, n. (poet.). Temple. [f. *L. fanum*]

fān'fāre (& see Ap.), n. Flourish of trumpets, bugles, etc. [F]

fānfāronāde, n. Arrogant talk, brag; = prec. [f. *F. fanfaronnade* f. *fanfaron* (prec., -oon), -ADE]

fāng, n. Canine tooth, esp. of dogs & wolves; serpent's venom-tooth; spike of tool held in the stock; (prong of) root of tooth. Hence (-)~ED² (-gd), ~LESS, aa. [OE, cf. *G. fangen* seize]

fāng, v.t. Prime (pump) by pouring in water to start it. [f. prec.]

fān'tān, n. Chinese gambling game in which the number of coins etc. hidden under a bowl has to be guessed; gambling game played with cards. [Chin.]

fantasia (-azé'-a, -ā'zia, -ah'-), n. Musical or other composition in which form is subservient to fancy. [It., = FANTASY]

fān'tāst, ph-, n. Visionary, dreamer. [f. med. *L. f. Gk. phantastēs* (phantastomai make a show f. *phainō* show)]

fāntās'tic, a. Fancied (rare); extravagantly fanciful, capricious, eccentric; grotesque or quaint in design etc. Hence (thr. obs. ~al) ~AL'ITY, ~ALNESS, ~ISM, nn., ~ALLY² adv. [f. med. *L. fantasticus* f. *LL. f. Gk. phantastikos* (prec., -ic)]

fān'tasy, ph-, n. Image-making faculty, esp. when extravagant or visionary; mental image; fantastic design; = FANTASIA; whimsical speculation. [f. OF *fantasie* f. *L. f. Gk. phantasia* (see FANTAST)]

Fān'tee, n. Member, language, of a Negro tribe inhabiting the Gold Coast; go ~, (of European) conform to native habits. [native]

fāntocci'ni (-ochēnē), n. pl. Mechanically worked puppets; marionette show. [It.]

faquir. See FAKIR.

fā¹, adv. (FARTHER, -thest, FURTHER, -thes), & n. 1. At a great distance, a long way off, (often with away, off, out; also fig., as ~, so ~, from doing, ~ from it; ~ be it from me to, I would on no account); to a great distance or advanced point (driven ~ into the ground; ~ gone, advanced (see below also); he will go ~, do much; go ~ to effect etc., nearly do so; by a great interval, by much, (~ different, better, the best; also ~ & away); so ~, to such a distance, (also) up to now; how ~, to what extent; as ~ as, right to, not short of, (place); as or so ~ as, in so ~ as, to whatever extent. 2. ~away, remote, long-past, (of look etc.) absent, dreamy; ~between, infrequent; ~famed, widely known; ~fetched, (of simile, illustration, etc.) studiously sought out, strained; ~flung (rhet.), widely extended; ~forth; ~ gone, very ill or mad or drunk or much in debt; ~ off, remote; ~reaching, widely applicable, carrying many consequences; ~seeing, -sighted, prescient, prudent, (-sighted) seeing distant things more clearly than near ones. 3. n. A distance (do you come from ~?); large amount (by ~, with compar. & superl., prefer, surpass, etc.). [OE *feor*(r) f. OTeut. *fer* f. Aryan *per* cf. *Gk. peran* beyond]

fā², a. (farther, -est, further, -est). Distant, remote, (a ~ cry¹). [OE *feorr* f. prec.]

fā'rad, n. (electr.). Electro-magnetic unit of capacity. [f. *Faraday*, physicist, d. 1867]

fāradā'ic, a. (electr.). Inductive, induced, (of current). [as prec., -ic]

farce¹, n. Dramatic work merely to excite laughter; this species of drama; absurdly futile proceeding, pretence, mockery. Hence **fā**¹-cial a., **fā**¹-cially² adv., **fā**¹-cial'ry n. [F, orig. = stuffing, f. *L. farcire* to stuff, used metaph. of interludes etc.]

farce², v.t. (arch.). Season, spice, stuff, (in cookery, & fig. of literary compositions). [f. OF *farcir* f. *L. as* prec.]

fā-ceur' (-sēr), n. Person who habitually indulges in mystifications. [F]

fār'cy, n. Disease, esp. of horses, allied to glanders; ~ *bad*, *button*, small tumour in this. [f. F *farcin* f. L *farcinum* (*farciare* stuff)]

|| **fārd'el**, n. (arch.). Bundle, burden. [OF, dim. of *farde* burden perh. f. Arab. *farḍah*]

fāre¹, n. 1. Cost of passenger's conveyance, passage-money; passenger in hired vehicle. 2. Food provided (usu. *good*, *bad*, *plentiful*, etc., ~; BILL⁴ of ~). [OE *fær* (sense 1), & *faru* (sense 2), f. st. of foll.]

fāre², v.l. Journey, go, travel, (poet.); so ~ *forth*, (start); happen, turn out, (*how* ~s it?); get on *well*, *ill*, etc., have such luck; be entertained, be fed or feed oneself, *well* etc. [com.-Teut.; OE & OHG *faran* f. Aryan *por-* pass through cf. Gk *poros* ford, L *portare* carry]

fārewēll' (-rw-), int. & n. 1. Good-bye!, Adieu!, (~ *to*, no more of). 2. n. Leaving-taking, parting good wishes. [Imperat. of prec. + *well*]

farin¹, n. Flour or meal of corn, nuts, or starchy roots; powdery substance; || (Bot.) pollen; (Chem.) starch. Hence **fārina**/CEOUS (-āshus) a. [L (*far* corn, -INE⁴)]

fā'rinōse, a. Mealy, sprinkled with powder. [prec., -OSE¹]

|| **fārī**, n. (Sc.). Thin cake, orig. quadrant-shaped, of oatmeal or flour. [for obs. *farḍel* quarter (FOURTH, DEAL), cf. FARTH-ING]

fārm¹, n. Tract of land used under one management for cultivation (orig. only of leased land; *home* ~, reserved & worked by owner of estate containing other ~s); (also ~-house) dwelling-place attached to ~; tract of water used as a preserve (*oyster*-~); place where children are farmed (see foll.); ~-*stead*, ~ with buildings on it; ~-*yard*, enclosure attached to ~-house. [f. F *ferme* f. mod. L *firma* fixed payment (*firmary* fix f. *VIRMUS*)]

fārm², v.t. & i. 1. Take proceeds of (tax, office, etc.) on payment of fixed sum; (also ~ *out*) let out proceeds of (tax etc.) to person for fixed sum. 2. Let the labour of (persons) for hire; contract to maintain and care for (persons, esp. children) for fixed sum. 3. Cultivate, till; till the soil, be a farmer. Hence ~-*ER*¹, ~-*ING*¹, nn. [f. prec.]

fār'ō, n. Gambling card-game. [f. *Pharaoh* (significance doubtful)]

farouche (-ōsh), a. Sullen, shy. [F]

farra'go (-rah-, -rā-), n. (pl. -os). Medley, hoth-poth. Hence **farrā'ginous** a. [L (genit. -inis), =mixed fodder (*far* corn)]

fārrier, n. Shoeing-smith; || horse-doctor; N.C.O. in charge of cavalry regiment's horses. Hence **fārrier**(2) n. [f. OF *farrier* f. L *ferrarius* f. *ferrum* iron, -AR²]

fārrow (-ō), n. & v.t. & i. 1. Giving birth

to, litter of, pigs (20 at one ~). 2. vb. Produce (pigs), produce pigs. [vb f. n., OE *feorh* f. OTeut. *farhos* cf. L *porcus*]

fārt, n., & v.l. (indecent). Emission of, emit, wind from the anus. [Aryan, cf. Gk *perdomai*]

fārth'er (-dh-), adv. & a. (used as comp. of **FAR**^{1,2}, see etym.), & v.t. 1. To or at a more advanced point or greater extent or distance (*I'll see you ~* or **FURTHER** *first*); in addition, also, besides, moreover, (now usu. *further*). 2. adj. More extended, additional, more; more distant or advanced, whence ~-**MOST** a. 3. v.t. (rare). =**FURTHER**. [var. of **FURTHER**; both used as comp. of *far*, but with tendency to restrict ~ to lit. & *further* to secondary senses]

fārth'est (-dh-), a. & adv. 1. Most distant (*at the, at, ~*, at the greatest distance, at latest, at most). 2. adv. To or at the greatest distance. [var., now more usu., of **FURTHER**]

|| **fārth'ing** (-dh-), n. Quarter of a penny; least possible amount (*doesn't matter a ~*). [OE *fēorthing* (*fēortha* FOURTH, -ING⁴)]

fārth'ingale (-dhings-), n. (hist.). Hooped petticoat. [f. OF *verdugale* f. Sp. -*ado* (*verdugo* rod, -ADO)]

fās'cēs (-z), n. pl. (Rom. hist.). Bundle of rods with axe in the middle carried by lictor before high magistrate; ensigns of authority. [L (pl. of *fascis* bundle)]

fascia (fā'shla), n. (Archit.) long flat surface of wood or stone under eaves or cornice; (Anat.) thin sheath of fibrous tissue; stripe, band, fillet, belt. [L]

fā'sciated (-shl-), a. (Bot.; of contiguous parts) compressed, growing into one (so **fāscia**'TION n.); striped. [f. obs. *fasciate* f. L *fasciare* (prec.), -ARE¹]

fās'cicle, -*icūle*, -*icūlus*, (fā'sl-), n. (Bot. etc.) bunch, bundle, whence **fās'cicled**² (-ld), **fāscic'ūlar**¹, **fāscic'ūlar**², -*ātēd*, aa., **fāscicūla**'TION n.; one part of book published by instalments. [f. L *fasciculus* (FASCOS, -CULE)]

fās'cināte, v.t. Deprive (victim) of power of escape or resistance by one's look or presence (esp. of serpents); attract irresistibly, enchant, charm, whence ~-**ATING**² a., ~-**ATINGR**² adv. Hence or cogn. ~-**ATION**, ~-**ATOR**² (esp., = opera-hood), nn. [f. L *fascinare* (*fascinum* spell), -ARE¹]

fāscine (-sēn), n. Long faggot used for engineering purposes & esp. in war for lining trenches, filling ditches, etc.; ~ *dwelling*, prehistoric lake dwelling supported by cross layers of sticks sunk below surface. [F, f. L *fascina* (*fascis* bundle, -INE⁴)]

Fās'clism (fāshl-, fāsl-), **fāsc'ismo** (-shēs-mō), n. Principles & organization of the patriotic & anti-communist movement in Italy started during the 1914-18 war, culminating in the dictatorship of Benito Mussolini (d. 1945), & imitated by Fascist or blackshirt associations in other coun-

tries. So **Fās'cist** (fāshī-, fāsī-), **fasci'sta** (-shē-; pl. -ti pron. -ē), n. [It. *fascismo* (*fascio* bundle, group, f. L *as* *FASCES*, see -ISM)]

fāsh, v.t., & n. (Sc.). Bother, trouble, inconvenience. [n. f. vb. f. OF *fasher* (now *fācher*)]

fā'shion (-shn), n., & v.t. 1. Make, shape, style, pattern, manner, (after the ~ of, like; so ~-wise, as *walk crab~*); after, tn. a ~, not satisfactorily, but somehow or other. 2. Prevailing custom, esp. in dress (~-plate, picture showing style of dress). 3. Conventional usages of upper-class society (the ~, whatever is in accord with these for the time being; *set the ~*, give the example in changing them; *the ~*, (also) admired & discussed person or thing; *in, out of, ~ or the ~*, agreeing or not with current usage; *man etc. of ~*, of social standing, moving in & conforming with upper-class society); hence ~ED³ (-ond) a. 4. v.t. Give shape to, form, mould, (into, to, or abs.). [f. OF *façon*, ONF *fachon*, f. L *factionem* (*facere* fact-make, -ION)]

fā'shionable (-shn-), a. & n. 1. Following, suited to, the fashion; characteristic of, treating of, or patronized by, persons of fashion. Hence ~leness n., ~LY² adv. 2. n. ~le person. [prec. n., -ABLE]

fast¹ (fah-), v.i. 1. Abstain from all or some kinds of food as religious observance or in sign of mourning (~ing-day, =FAST²-day). 2. Go without food. [com.-Teut.; OE *fastan* cf. Goth. *fastan* = orig. keep, observe, f. OTeut. *fastſja*]

fast² (fah-), n. Act of fasting (prec., 1); season or (also ~-day, *fasting-day*) day appointed for fasting; going without food (*break one's ~* = BREAKFAST v.). [prob. f. ON *fasta* f. OTeut. *as* prec.]

fast³ (fah-), a. 1. Firmly fixed or attached (*stake ~ in the ground*; ~ friend or friend-ship, steady, close; *ship ~ aground*; ~ asleep; a ~ prisoner; ~ colour, unfading, not washing out; *make ~*, fasten; *play ~ & loose*, ignore obligations, be unreliable; *door is ~*, locked etc.; *take ~ hold of*, tight; ~ with gout, confined). 2. Rapid, quick-moving, producing quick motion, (~ train; ~ cricket-pitch, racquet-court, putting-green, on which ball bounds or runs smartly; *watch is ~*, shows too advanced time; ~ person, dissipated, see foll.). Hence ~ISM² (2) a. [com.-Teut.; OE *fast* cf. G *fest* cogn. v. Goth. *fastan* FAST¹]

fast⁴ (fah-), adv. (-er, -est). Firmly, fixedly, tightly, securely, (*stand, sit, stick, ~*; ~ bind, ~ find, lock up what you would not lose; *eyes ~ shut*; *sleep ~*, soundly); (poet. & arch.) close beside, by, upon, etc.; quickly, in quick succession; *live ~*, live in a dissipated way, expend much energy in short time. [OE *faeste* (prec.)]

fa'sten (fah'sn), v.t. & i. Make fast, attach, fix, secure by some tie or bond, (to, upon,

on adv. or prep., together, up, in adv. or prep.; or abs.; ~ parcel, garment, door, etc., or string, bolt, etc.; ~ off thread etc., secure with knot or otherwise), whence ~ING⁴ (4) (fah'sn-) n.; direct (look, thoughts, etc.) keenly (upon); fix (nickname, imputation, etc.) (upon); ~ quarrel upon, pick quarrel with; become fast (door will not ~); ~ (upon), lay hold of, single out for attack, seize upon (pretext). Hence ~ER² (2) (fah'sn-) n. [OE *faestnian* cf. G *festnen* (FAST¹, -EN⁴)]

fās'tſ, n. pl. Chronological register of events, annals. [L. = calendar]

fāstid'ious, a. Easily disgusted, squeamish, hard to please. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *fastidiosus* (*fastidium* loathing, -OSE¹)]

fāsti'giāte, a. (bot.). With conical or tapering outline. [f. L *fastigium* gable + -ATE²]

fast'nēss (fah-), n. In adj. senses (FAST²); also, stronghold, fortress. [-NESS]

fāt, a., n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. Fed up for slaughter, fattened; well-fed, plump, (cut up ~, leave much money), corpulent; thick, substantial, (esp. of printing-type); greasy, oily, unctuous, (cut it ~, make a display); (of coal) bituminous; (of clay etc.) sticky; fertile, rich, yielding abundantly, (~ lands, *benefice, job*; a ~ lot, sl., a great deal usu. iron. = very little); slow-witted, indolent, (~head, dolt; ~witted, stupid); || ~guts, corpulent person; ~hen, kinds of goose-foot; ~lime, nearly pure lime, slaking easily; hence ~t'ISS¹ (2) a., ~NESS n. 2. n. The ~ part of anything (*live on the ~ of the land*, have the best of everything); oily substance composing ~ parts of animal bodies (the ~ is in the *fire*, there will be an explosion); (Theatr.) part of role that enables actor to show off; (Chem.) natural ester of glycerol & acid; hence ~LESS a. 3. vb. = FATTEN; *kill the fatted calf* for, receive (returned prodigal) with joy. [OE *fætt(ian)* cf. Du. *vet* f. OTeut. *fatſjan* fatten (*faiſo*-adj. fat)]

fāt'al, a. Like fate, inevitable, necessary; of, appointed by, destiny (~ sisters, the Fates; ~ thread, allotted length of life; ~ shears, death); fateful, important, decisive; destructive, ruinous, ending in death, (to); deadly, sure to kill; (by exagg.) mischievous, ill-advised. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L *fatalis* (FATA, -AL)]

fāt'al'ism, n. Belief that all events are predetermined by arbitrary decree; submission to all that happens as inevitable. So ~ISM² (2) n. & a., ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv. [-ISM]

fātāl'ity, n. Subjection to, supremacy of, fate, predestined liability to disaster; fatal influence; misfortune, calamity; death by accident, in war, etc. [f. F *fatalité* f. LL *fatalitas*, see FATAL, -ITY]

fāt'alize, v.t. & i. Incline to fatalism; subject to government by fate. [-IZE]

fata morgana (fah-, gah-), n. Kind of mirage seen esp. in strait of Messina. [It. (*fata* FAX, *Morgana* female name)]

fāte, n., & v.t. 1. Power predetermining events unalterably from eternity; (Myth.) goddess, one of the three Greek goddesses, of destiny; what is destined to happen; appointed lot of person etc.; person's ultimate condition (*decide*, *fix*, *seal*, one's ~); death, destruction. 2. v.t. (usu. pass.). Preordain (*he was ~d to do or be*; *it was ~d that*); (p.p.) doomed to destruction. [f. L. *fatum* neut. p.p. of *fari* speak]

fāte'ful (-tī-), a. Prophetic; fraught with destiny, important, decisive; controlled by, showing power of, fate. Hence ~LY² adv. [-FUL]

fa'ther¹ (fahdh-), n. 1. Male parent (also fig.; *the wish is ~ to the thought*, one believes because one wishes to; *the child is ~ to the man*, lays down the lines of his development); = ~in-law; = step-~; (also *adoptive* ~), one who has adopted a child. 2. Progenitor, forefather; originator, designer, early leader, (~ of *English poetry*; *F~ of lies*, the devil; *F~ of the FAITHFUL*; *F~s of the Church* or *F~s*, Christian writers of first five centuries). 3. One who deserves filial reverence (~ of his country); religious teacher. 4. God; First Person of the Trinity. 5. Confessor; priest belonging to religious order, superior of monastic house; *Right, Most, Reverend F~ in God*, titles of bishop, archbishop; *The Holy F~*, the Pope; = priest as prefixed title; venerable person, god, (*F~ Christmas, Thames, Time*, personifications). 6. Oldest member, doyen, (*F~ of House of Commons*, member with longest continuous service); (pl.) leading men, elders, (*F~s of the City*; *Conscript F~s*, Roman senators). 7. ~in-law, ~ of one's wife or husband; ~land, native country. Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~LESS a., ~LIKE, ~LY^{1,2}, aa. & adv., ~LINESS n., (fahdh-). [Aryan; OE *fæder* cf. G. *vater*, L. *pater*, Gk. *pater*]

fa'ther² (fahdh-), v.t. Begot; be the father of; originate (statement etc.); pass as, confess oneself, the father, author, of (child, book); govern paternally; fix paternity of (child, book) upon. [f. prec.]

fāth'om¹ (-dh-), n. (pl., with numbers, often *fathom*). Measure of six feet, chiefly used in soundings; || quantity of wood 6 ft square in section, whatever the length. [OE *fæthm* the outstretched arms, cf. G. *faden* 6 ft cogn. w. Gk. *peleannumi* spread]

fāth'om² (-dh-), v.t. Encircle with the arms (arch.); measure with fathom-line, sound, (depth of water); (fig.) get to the bottom of, comprehend, whence ~LESS a., ~LY² adv. [OE *fæthanian* (prec.)]

fāth'om³ a. Gifted with prophetic power. [*fāth'om* + *om* (-ous, -dious -saying) + -AL]

fātigue (-ēg), n., & v.t. 1. Weariness after

exertion; weakness in metals after repeated blows or long strain; task etc. that wearies; soldier's non-combatant duty (~*party* or ~, party told off for this; so ~*dress*). 2. v.t. Tire, exhaust, whence ~LESS (-ēg-), *fāt'iguing*² (-ēg-), aa.; weaken (metal; see above). [f. F *fatiguer* (v) f. L *fatigare* prob. cogn. w. *fatiscere* gape]

fāt'ling, n. Young fattened animal. [LINE¹]

fāt't'en, v.t. & i. Make fat (esp. animals for slaughter); grow fat; enrich (soil). [-EN⁴]

fāt't'y¹, a. Like fat, unctuous, greasy; consisting of fat, adipose; with morbid deposition of fat (~ *degeneration* of heart or kidney). [-Y²]

fāt't'y², n. Fat child etc. (usu. voc.). [-Y²]

fāt'u'ous, a. Vacantly silly, purposeless, idiotic. Hence or cogn. *fāt'u'ity* n., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *fatuus* + -OUS]

faubourg (fōb'ourg), n. Suburb, esp. of Paris. [F¹]

fauc'al, a. & n. (phonol.). Of the throat, deeply guttural (sound). [f. L *fauces* throat + -AL]

fau'ces (-ēz), n. pl. (anat.). The cavity at the back of the mouth. [L]

fau'cēt, n. (esp. U.S.). Tap for barrel. [f. F *fausset* vent-peg etym. dub.]

faugh (faw), int. of disgust.

fault, n., & v. (geol.) 1. & t. 1. Defect, imperfection, blemish, of character or of structure, appearance, etc. (*generous* etc. to a ~, excessively; *with all ~s*, at buyer's risk). 2. Transgression, offence, thing wrongly done, (Racquets etc.) ball wrongly served; *find ~ (with)*, complain (of), whence ~finder¹ n., ~finding^{1,2} n. & a. 3. Responsibility for something wrong (*the ~ was mine*; *it will be our own ~*), defect that causes something (*the ~ is in the patient*); in ~, guilty, to blame, (*who is in ~?*). 4. (Hunt.) loss of the scent, check so caused, (*be at ~*, also fig. = be puzzled, not know what to do). 5. (Geol.) break in continuity of strata or vein (vb, break continuity of, show such break).

6. (Telegr.) imperfect insulation, leakage; Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY² adv., ~LESSNESS n., ~LY² a., ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [ME & OF *faulte* f. pop. L + *fallita* term p.p. of *fallere* fail¹]

faun, n. One of a class of Latin rural deities with horns & tail. [f. L *Faunus* Latin god identified w. Gk. Pan]

faun' (a), n. (pl. ~ae, ~as). The animals of a region or epoch; treatise upon these; Hence ~AL a., ~IST(-) n., ~IS' (to AL) aa. [mod. L, f. name of goddess sister of Faunus, see prec.]

fauteuil (see Ap.), n. Arm-chair; theatre stall. [F]

faux pas (fō pah), n. Act that compromises one's, esp. a woman's, reputation; an offence against social convention, an indiscreet speech or action. [F, = false step]

fāv'our¹ (-ver), n. 1. Friendly regard, goodwill, (*find ~ in the eyes of*, be liked by; **CURRY**¹ ~), approval (*look with ~ on*), good graces (be, *stand high etc.*, in person's ~); kindness beyond what is due (*should esteem it a ~*; *by ~ of* —, written on letter conveyed by friend; *do me the ~ of* —ing; *have received your ~ of yesterday*, letter; *woman bestows her ~s on lover*, yields). 2. Leave, pardon, (arch.; *by your ~*; *under ~*; if one may venture to say so). 3. Partiality, too lenient or generous treatment (**FEAR**¹ or ~). 4. Aid, furtherance, (*under ~ of night*); *in ~ of*, on behalf or in support of, on the side of, to the advantage or account of, (*am in ~ of woman's suffrage*; *cheques to be drawn in ~ of the treasurer*). 5. Thing given or worn as mark of ~, knot of ribbons, rosette, cockade, badge. 6. (Arch.) looks, countenance, whence *well, ill, hard, etc.*, ~**ED**¹ (-erd) a. [OF, f. L. *favorem* (*favere* show kindness to, -OR¹)]

fāv'our² (-ver), v.t. 1. Look kindly upon, approve; treat kindly, countenance; oblige with. 2. Treat with partiality, be unjust on behalf of. 3. Aid, support; serve as confirmation of (theory etc.); prove advantageous to (person), facilitate (process etc.), whence ~**ING**² (-ver-) a. 4. Resemble in features (~ one's father). 5. (p.p.) Having unusual advantages (*most ~ed nation*, to which a State accords lowest scale of import duties); ~**ED** by, (of letter) by favour of. [f. OF *favorer* f. med. L. *favorare* as prec.]

fāv'ourable (-ver-), a. Well disposed, propitious; commendatory, approving; giving consent (~*le answer*); promising, auspicious, (~*le aspect*); helpful, suitable, (to). Hence ~**LENES** n., ~**LY**¹ adv. [f. F. *favorable* f. L. *favorabilis* (*FAVOUR*¹, -ABLE)]

fāv'ourit[e] (-ver-), n. & a. (Person) preferred above others (*the ~e of, a ~e with or of*); (Racing) *the ~e*, competitor generally expected to win; person chosen as intimate by king or superior & unduly favoured, whence ~**ISM**(3) n. [f. OF *favorit*, -ri, p.p. of *favorir* favour]

fawn¹, n., a., & v.i. & t. 1. Young fallow deer, buck or doe of first year (*in ~*, pregnant); ~ or ~*coloured* (ed), (of) light yellowish brown. 2. vb. (Of deer) bring forth (young, or abs.). [f. OF *faun* f. med. L. *felonem* nom. -o (SOEVRUS)]

fawn², v.i. (Of animals, esp. dog) show affection by tail-wagging, grovelling, etc. (~ *on, upon*, lavish caresses on); (of persons) behave servilely, cringe (upon patron, or abs.), whence ~**ING**² a., ~**INGLY**² adv. [OE *fahnian* cogn. w. FAIN¹]

fay, n. (poet.). Fairy. [f. OF *fas* f. Rom. *fata* sing. f. L. *fata* pl. the fates]

fē'alit[y], n. Feudal tenant's or vassal's (acknowledgement of obligation of) fidelity to his lord (*do, make, receive, swear, ~*).

[f. OF *feaulte* f. L. *fidelitatem* (*fidelis* f. *fides* faith, -TY)]

fear¹, n. Painful emotion caused by impending danger or evil, state of alarm (*was in ~*), dread of, *that, or lest*; *for ~ of, (that), lest*, in order that so-&-so may not occur; *without ~ or favour*, impartially; dread & reverence (*the ~ of God*); anxiety for the safety of (*in ~ of his life*); *no ~*, it is not likely. Hence ~**LESS** a. (of danger etc.), ~**LESSLY**¹ adv., ~**LESSNESS** n. [OE *fær* cf. G. *gefahr* danger]

fear², v.i. & t. Be afraid (also as arch. refl. in parenthesis, *I ~ me*; *never ~*, there is no danger of that); be afraid of; *hesitate to do*, shrink from doing; *revere* (God); apprehend, have uneasy anticipation of; be afraid that (or with that omitted; also *need not etc.* ~ *but or but that*). [OE *færan* f. prec.]

fearful, a. Terrible, awful; (by exagg.) annoying etc. (*in a ~ mess*); frightened, timid; apprehensive of, *lest, (that)*; wanting resolution to; reverential. Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [-FUL]

fearnought (-awt), n. Stout woollen cloth used at sea for clothing & for protecting portholes etc. [**FEAR**², **NOUGHT**]

fear'some, a. Appalling, esp. in appearance (usu. joc.). Hence ~**LY**² (-ml-) adv., ~**NESS** (-mn-) n. [-SOME]

feas'ible (-z-), a. Practicable, possible; (loosely) manageable, convenient, serviceable, plausible. Hence ~**ILITY**¹ n. [OF *fais*-imperf. st. of *faire* f. L. *facere* do + -IBLE]

feast¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Joyful religious anniversary (*movable, immovable, ~*, recurring on different, same, date); annual village festival; sumptuous meal, esp. one given to number of guests and of public nature; (fig.) gratification to the senses or mind (~ *of reason*, intellectual talk). 2. vb. Partake of ~, fare sumptuously, whence ~**EN**¹ n.; pass (night etc.) *away in ~ing*; regale (guests, one's eyes on beauty etc.). [f. OF *fest(e)r* f. L. *feſta* neut. pl. of *festus* festal]

feat¹, n. Noteworthy act, esp. deed of valour (often ~ *of arms*); action showing dexterity or strength, surprising trick. [f. OF *fait* FACT]

|| **feat**², a. (arch.). Adroit, smart, dextrous, neat. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. OF *fait* made f. L. *factus* p.p. of *facere* make]

feath'er¹ (-ēdh-), n. 1. One of the appendages growing from bird's skin, consisting of quill, shaft, & two vanes of barbs (*show the white ~*, betray cowardice—white ~ in game-bird's tail being mark of bad breeding—; *crop one's ~s*, humiliate him); (collect.) plumage (*in high or full ~*, in good spirits etc.; *birds of a ~*, people of one sort); feathered game (*fur & ~*, game beasts & birds). 2. Piece(s) of ~ attached to arrow; plume worn in hat etc. (*a ~ in one's cap*, something one may be proud

of); very light object (*could have knocked me down with a ~*); ridge of upright hair; ~like flaw in gem. 3. (Rowing) action of feathering (see foll.). 4. ~ *bed*, mattress stuffed with ~s; ~ *edge*, (n.) fine edge of wedge-shaped board, (v.t.) bring (board) to this; ~ *head(ed)*, ~ *brain(ed)*, ~ *pale(d)*, silly (person); ~ *stitch*, ornamental zig-zag sewing; ~ *weight*, very light thing or person, esp. jockey not over 4 st. 7 lb., boxer 9 st. Hence (-) ~ *ED*¹ (-*erd*), ~ *LESS*, ~ *Y*¹, aa., ~ *INNESS*, ~ *LET*, nn., (fēdh-). [com.-Teut.; OE *fether* cf. G *feder*, also Gk *pteron* wing, *petomali* fly]

feath'er (fēdh-), v.t. & i. 1. Furnish, adorn, line, coat, with feathers (~ *an arrow*; ~ *one's nest*, enrich oneself; *TAR & ~*); form featherlike ornamentation for. 2. Float, move, or wave, like feathers. 3. Turn (oar), turn oar, so as to pass through the air edgeways. 4. (Shoot.) knock feathers from (bird) without killing. 5. (Hunt.; of hound) make quivering motion of body & tail while seeking scent. [OE *gefeðrian* f. prec.]

feath'ering (fēdh-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: plumage; feathers of arrow; feathery structure in animal's coat; (Archit.) cusps in tracery; featherlike marking in flower. [-ING¹]

fea'ture, n., & v.t. 1. (Usu. pl.) part(s) of the face, esp. with regard to shape & visible effect; distinctive or characteristic part of a thing, part that arrests attention; distinctive or prominent article etc. in newspaper etc.; ~ *film*, ~ *picture*, cinema drama of some length in several reels. 2. v.t. Stand as distinctive mark upon; portray, sketch the prominent points of; ~ *show* on cinema screen, have as chief ~, give special prominence to. Hence -*fea'tured*¹ (-*cherd*), ~ *LESS* (-*cherl*-), aa. [f. OF *faicture* f. *L factura* (*facere* fact- make, -*VERE*)]

fēb'rifuge, n. Medicine to reduce fever, cooling drink. Hence *fēb'rif'ug* a. [f. F *fēb'rifuge* (*L febris* fever, *fugare* drive away)]
fēb'rile, a. Of fever, feverish. [F, f. *L febrilis* (prec., -*UL*)]

Fēb'ruary (-rōō-), n. Second month of year (~ *fil-dike*, name referring to its rain & snow). [f. *L Februarius* (*februa* purification)]

fē'cit, fēoc'ant, (abbr. *fec.*), v. sing. & pl. 3rd pers. (So-&-so) made this picture etc. (used with artist's signature). [L, perf. of *facere* make]

fēck'less, a. Feeble, futile, inefficient. Hence ~ *LY*¹ adv., ~ *NESS* n. [So. *feck* perh. for *fecere* - *LESS*]

fēc'ulent, a. Turbid, fetid. So ~ *ENON* n. [F (f) f. *L faeculentus* (*faeces*, -*ULENT*)]

fēc'und, a. Prolific, fertile; fertilising. So *fēcund'ary* n. [f. F *second* f. *L fecundus*]

fēc'undize, v.t. Make fruitful; impregnate. Hence ~ *ATION* n. [f. *fecundare*, -*ED*]

fed. See **FED**¹.

fēd'eral, a. 1. (Theol.) based on doctrine of Covenants. 2. (Pol.) of the polity in which several States form a unity but remain independent in internal concerning this whole & not the separate parts. 3. Relating to, favouring, central (as distinct from State) government. Hence ~ *ISM*(s), ~ *IST*(2), nn., ~ *IZE*(s) v.t., ~ *IZA'TION* n., ~ *LY*¹ adv. [f. F *fédéral* (*L foedus -eris* covenant, cogn. w. *fidēs* faith, + *-AL*)]

fēd'er|āte, v.t. & i. Band together (t. & i.) in league for some common object; or *ize* (t. & i. of States) on a **FEDERAL** basis. So ~ *ATE*¹ (-*at*), ~ *ATIVE*, aa., ~ *ATIVELY*¹ adv. [f. *foederare* (prec.), -*ATE*¹]

fēd'era'tion, n. Federating, whence ~ *IST*(2) (-*sho*-) n.; federated society, esp. federal empire or group of States; **IMPERIAL** ~. [f. F *fédération* f. *L foederationem* (prec., -*ATION*)]

fee, n., & v.t. (~ *d*, ~ *d*). 1. Fief, feudal benefice, (Hist.). 2. Inherited estate (~ *simple*, without limitation to particular class of heirs; ~ *tail*, with such limitation; *hold in ~ simple* or ~, have as absolute property). 3. Sum payable to public officer for performing his function; remuneration of lawyer, physician, or any professional man (*RETAINING*~); entrance money for examination, society, etc.; terminal school-money; gratuity. 4. vb. Pay ~ to, engage for a ~. [f. OF *fē, fief, flu*, med. *L foedum, feudum*, etym. dub.]

fee'b|le, a. & n. 1. Weak, infirm; deficient in character or intelligence; wanting in energy, force, or effect; dim, indistinct; hence ~ *leness* (-*ln*-) n., ~ *ISH*¹(2) a., ~ *LY*¹ adv. 2. n. (Fenc.) = **FOIBLE**. [f. OF *feble, foible*, (now *faible*) f. *L febilis* lamentable (*flere* weep)]

feed¹, v.t. & i. (fēd). Supply with food (~ *a cold*, eat plentifully when you have a cold; put food into mouth of (*cannot ~ himself*); graze (cattle); gratify (*vanity* etc., also *eyes* etc.), comfort (person) with hope etc.; take food, eat, (*at the high table*; *well, high*, etc.; often ~ *on*, consume); serve as food for; nourish, make grow, (~ *up*, fatten, also *satiāte*; *fed up*, al., having had too much of something, bored with); keep (reservoir, fire, etc.) supplied; supply (machine) with material (~ *pipe*, doing this); use (land) as pasture (often ~ *down*, close); deal out (fodder) to animals; supply (material) (*in*) to machine; (Theatr. sl.) supply (principal comedian) with cues; (Football) give a pass to; (of cattle) eat, eat *down*, (pasture); ~ *ing-bottle*, for hand-fed infants. [OE *fēdan* cf. OHG *fucan*, & see **FOOD**]

feed², n. Act of feeding, giving of food, (*two biscuits at one ~*; *out at ~*, turned out to graze; *off one's ~*, with no appetite; *on the ~*, of fish, feeding or looking out for

food); pasture, green crops; horse's allowance of oats etc.; fodder; (colloq.) meal, feast; feeding of machine, material supplied, charge of gun; ~*tank*, ~*trough*, holding water for locomotive. [f. prec.] **feed**¹. See **FEED**.

feed'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: *large, quick, gross*, etc., ~, one who eats much etc.; child's feeding-bottle; || child's bib; tributary stream (also fig.); (Rounders etc.) player who tosses ball to striker; hopper or feeding apparatus in machine; ~ *line*, railway, branch line linking up outlying districts with main line. [-ER¹]

feed'ing, a. In vbl senses; also, ~ *storm*, one that constantly increases. [-ING¹]

fee-faw-füm', int. & n. Ogish exclamation; (n.) nonsense fit only to terrify child. [in *Jack the Giant-Killer*]

feel, v.t. & i. (*fēl*), & n. 1. Explore by touch (~ *the pulse* of, lit., & fig. = cautiously ascertain sentiments of; ~ one's way, grope it out, proceed carefully); search (*about*) with hand *after*, for; try to ascertain by touch *whether*, *if*, *how*; (Mil.) reconnoitre (ground, enemy); perceive by touch (~ *a hard substance*, *heat*, *pain*, *a blow*; *I felt him move, moving, that he was cold*; ~ one's legs or feet, find firm standing, also fig., be at ease); have sensation of touch; be conscious of (sensation, emotion, conviction; *a felt want*, desideratum); be consciously (~ *well*, *warm*, *angry*, *cheap*; ~ *quite* oneself, be fit, self-possessed, etc.; ~ *up to work* etc.; ~ *like doing*, have inclination to do); experience, undergo, (*he shall ~ my vengeance*; *felt the storm severely*), be affected by, behave as if conscious of, (*ship ~s her helm*); be emotionally affected by, have sympathy with or compassion for, (~ *the censure keenly*); have vague or emotional conviction (*that*; esp. ~ *in one's bones*); (quasi-pass.) be realized as, seem, produce impression of being, (*air ~s chilly*; ~ *s like velvet*). 2. n. Sense of touch (*firm to the ~*); testing by touch; sensation characterizing something. [com.-WG; OE *fēlan*, cf. G *fühlen*, f. Aryan pal-whence Gk *palamē*, L *palma*, palm of hand]

feel'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: organ in certain animals for testing things by touch or searching for food; (Mil.) scout; tentative proposal or hint, *ballon d'essai*. [-ER¹]

feel'ing¹, n. In vbl senses; esp.: sense of touch; physical sensation; emotion (often of hope, fear, etc.); (pl.) susceptibilities, sympathies, (*hurts my ~*, offends me); readiness to feel, tenderness for others' sufferings, (*good ~*, avoidance of unkindness etc.); consciousness of (*had a ~ of safety*), conviction not based solely on reason; sentiment (*the general ~ was against it*); (Psych.) differently used by various writers) state of consciousness,

sensation or desire or emotion (not perception or thought), element of pleasure or pain in any mental state, intuitive belief; (Art) general emotional effect produced. [-ING¹]

feel'ing², a. In vbl senses; esp.: sensitive; sympathetic; showing emotion; heart-felt (*a ~ pleasure*). Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING¹]

feet. See **FOOT**.

feign (*fān*), v.t. & i. Invent (excuse, story, accusation), forge (document), represent in fiction, imagine, (arch.); simulate, pretend, (~ *that one is mad*, oneself *mad*, *madness*); practise simulation. [f. OF *feindre* f. L *fingere*]

feint¹ (*fā*), n., & v.i. 1. Sham attack (blow, out, thrust, or military assault) to divert attention or deceive opponent; pretence (*make a ~ of doing*). 2. v.i. Make (~ *at*, *upon*, *against*). [f. F *feinte* n. (*feindre* FEIGN)]

|| **feint**² (*fā*), a. & adv. ~ *lines*, *ruled* ~, = FAINT¹. [old spelling often kept in this use]

fēl(d)'spāt, n. Kinds of crystalline white or flesh-red mineral. So **fēl(d)spāth**^{ic} a. [f. G *feldspat(h)* L *fēld* field, *spāt(h)* spar; spelling *fels*, commoner but incorrect, due to false deriv. f. G *fels* rock]

fēl'ibrist, n. Member of the *Félibrige*, a society of Provençal poets & writers (Mistral etc.). [f. F *Félibrige*, -IST]

fēl'icide, n. Cat-killing. [f. L *feles* cat + -CIDE]

fēlicif'ic, a. (eth.). Tending to happiness. [f. L *felicificus* (*fēlix* happy, -ICIO)]

fēli'cit'itate, v.t. Make happy (rare); congratulate (usu. on), whence (usu. pl.) ~ATION n. [f. L *felicitare* (*fēlix* happy), -ATE¹]

fēli'citous, a. Blissful (rare); (of expression, quotation, civilities, or person in these connexions) strikingly apt, pleasantly ingenious. Hence ~LY² adv. [foll., -OUS]

fēli'city, n. Being happy, intense happiness; a blessing; fortunate trait; happy faculty in expression, appropriateness; well chosen phrase. [f. OF *felicité* f. L *felicitem* (*fēlix* happy, -ITY)]

fēl'id, n. One of the *Felidae* or cat-tribe [f. L *feles* cat, -ID¹]

fēl'ine, a. & n. Of cats; catlike (~ *amenties*, veiled spite, women's innocent-seeming thrusts), whence **fēlin'ity** n.; (n.) = prec. [f. L *felinus* (prec., -ITUS¹)]

fēll¹, n. Animal's hide or skin with the hair (also transf. of human skin); thick or matted hair or wool, fleece, (~ *of hair*, unkempt hair of head); ~MONGER. [com.-Teut., cf. G *fell*, cogn. w. Gk *pellā*, L *pellis*; also w. *filum*]

|| **fēll**², n. Hill (in names, as *Sos F~*); stretch of N.-English moorland. [f. ON *fjall* perh. cogn. w. G *fels* rock]

fēll³, a. (poet.). Fierce, ruthless, terrible, destructive. [f. OF *fel* f. pop. L *felle* FELON]

fell¹, v.t., & n. Strike (person, animal) down by blow or cut; cut down (tree; n., amount of timber cut); stich down (projection of seam). [causative of **FALL¹**, cf. *G fällen*]

fell². See **FALL¹**.

fell³ah (-a), n. (pl. ~*een*, ~*s*). Egyptian peasant. [Arab.]

fell⁴oe (-li, -lo), **fell⁵y**, n. Outer circle (or one piece of it) of wheel, attached by spokes. [OE *felig*, cf. *G felge*]

fell⁶ow (-ō), n. 1. One associated with another, comrade, (usu. in pl., as *separated from his ~s*; *good ~*; boon companion; *HAIL ~ well-met*; ~*-feeling*, sympathy). 2. Counterpart, match, other of pair, equal, one of same class, contemporary, (*stone dead hath no ~*, no keeper of secrets like a dead man; *shall never find his ~*; *passed all his ~s*). 3. || Co-opted graduate incorporated member of college (~ *commoner*, undergraduate privileged to dine at ~'s table); || elected graduate holding stipend for certain years on condition of research. 4. Member of governing body in some Universities; member of various learned Societies. 5. Man, boy, (*poor ~*, *my dear or good ~*, *old ~*; *a ~*, occas. = *one*, *I*, as *a ~ can't work all day long*; the ~, contemptuously). 6. (In comb. with *nn.*; ~ or ~) belonging to same class (~ *creature*, person or animal also created by God), associated in joint action (~ *soldier*), in same relation to same object (~ *citizen*, whence ~*cit'izen-ship* n.; ~*countryman*); ~*traveller*, (also) non-Communist who sympathizes with aims and general policy of Communist party. [OE *feolaga* (FEE, LAY) one who lays down money in partnership]

fell⁷owship (-lō-), n. Participation, sharing, community of interest; companionship, intercourse, friendliness, (often *good ~*); body of associates, company, (*right hand of ~*, sign of admission); guild, corporation; brotherhood, fraternity; || dignity or income of college fellow. [-SHIP]

felly. See **FELLOW**.

fell⁸ō dē sē, n. (pl. *felonēs*, *felos*). Self-murderer, (no. pl.) self-murder. [Anglo-L., = **FELON** about himself]

fell⁹on¹, a. (poet.), & n. 1. Cruel, wicked, murderous. 2. n. One who has committed felony. [OF f. LL *fellonem* nom. -o perh. f. L *fel* gall]

fell¹⁰on², n. Small abscess esp. under or near nail, whitlow. [perh. as prec.]

fell¹¹on³ous, a. Criminal; (Law) of, involving, felony; who has committed felony. Hence ~**LY¹** adv. [FELONY + **OUS**]

fell¹²on⁴ry, n. The class or body of felons. [-RY]

fell¹³on⁵y, n. Crime of kind legally graver than misdemeanour. [f. F *felonie* (FELON, -ry)]

felspar. See **FELDSPAR**.

felsstone (-on), n. Compact felspar occur-

ring in amorphous rock masses. [f. *G felsstein* (*fels* rock, *stein* stone)]

felt¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Kind of cloth made by rolling & pressing wool with lees or size; (attrib.) made of this (esp. ~ *hab*); hence ~**Y¹** a. 2. vb. Make into ~, mat together; become matted; cover with ~. [OE; cf. Du. *vilt*, *G flet*]

felt². See **FELT**.

felt³eric, n. A horse-disease. [?]

félücc'a, n. Small Mediterranean coasting vessel with oars or lateen sails or both. [It., perh. f. Arab.]

fém¹ale, a. & n. 1. Of the offspring-bearing sex (~ *child*, *slave*, *dog*); (of plants or their parts) fruit-bearing, having pistil & no stamens, (also used of some plants by mere metaphor suggested by their colour etc., as ~ *fern*, *bamboo*, *myrtle*); of women (~ *sex*, *education*, *suffrage*, *weakness*). 2. Of inferior vigour etc. (~ *sapphire*, pale variety). 3. (In instruments etc.) fitted to receive corresponding male part (~ *screw*, as in nuts). 4. n. ~ person (*the law is harsh to all ~s*) or animal; (vulg.) woman, girl, (*a young ~ has called*). [ME & OF *femelle* n. f. L *femella* dim. of *femina* woman, w. assim. to male]

feme co'vert (fēm kü-), **feme sōle**, nn. (legal). (*Coverd*) married woman; (*sole*) spinster, widow, or married woman entirely independent of her husband as regards property. [AF (*soul*)]

féminal¹ity, n. Female nature; female peculiarity; woman's knick-knack etc. [obs. *feminal* f. OF (L *femina* woman, -AL) + **-ITY**]

fémínē¹ity, n. Womanliness; womanishness. [f. L *femineus* (*femina* woman) + **-ITY**]

fém²inine, a. Of female sex (rare); of women; womanly; (Gram.) having the gender proper to women's names; (Pros.) ~ *rhyme*, of two syllables, the second being unstressed (orig. in F verse, of words ending in mute -e), ~ *ending*, of line with last accent on penult, ~ *caesura*, not immediately following stress. Hence ~**LY¹** adv., ~**NESS**, **fémínin¹ity**, nn. [f. OF *feminin* f. L *femininus* (*femina* woman, -IN¹)]

fém³inism, n. Advocacy, extended recognition, of the claims of women. So ~**IST** n. [f. L *femina* woman + **-ISM**]

fém⁴in¹ity, n. = **FEMININITY**. [f. OF *feminité* (L *femina* woman, -ITY)]

fém⁵in²ize, v.t. & i. Make or become feminine. Hence ~**A¹TION** n. [f. L as prec. + **-IZE**]

femme de chambre (see **Ap.**), n. Lady's maid; chambermaid. [F]

fém⁶ur (-er), n. (pl. ~*s*, *fém⁶ora*). Thighbone; corresponding part of insect. So **fém⁶oral**, [L]

fén¹, n. Low marshy or flooded tract of land (|| the ~*s*, low-lying districts in Cambs, etc.; ~*berry*, cranberry; ~*are*,

will-o'-the-wisp; ~man, inhabitant of ~s; || ~pole, for use in jumping ditches; || ~reeve, officer in charge of ~lands; ~runners, kind of skates. Hence ~n'y¹ a. [OE; cf. Du. *ven*, G. *fenne*]

fen², fens. See FAIR².

fence¹, n. Art of fencing, use of the sword, (master of ~, skilled swordsman, often fig. = good debater); (arch.) bulwark; hedge, wall, railing, etc., keeping out intruders from field etc. (sunk ~, placed along bottom of ditch; sit on the ~, remain neutral in contest, not take sides; come etc. down on right side of ~, join winner; put horse at ~); guard, guide, gauge, in various machines; receiver, receiving-house, deal in stolen goods; || ~month, ~season, ~time, close time for game or fish. [for DEFENCE]

fence², v.t. & t. Practise sword-play, use the sword scientifically, (~ with question or questioner, parry, evade answering); screen, shield, protect, (from, against); repel, keep off or out; surround (as) with fence, enclose, fortify, (~d cities in O.T.; often about, in, round, up); (of horse) leap fences; deal in stolen goods. Hence fén'cer¹ n. (esp. of swordsman, also of horse). [f. prec.]

fence'less (-s), a. Unenclosed; (poet.) unfortified, defenceless. [FENCE¹ + LESS]

fén'cible, n. (hist.). Soldier liable only for home service. [for DEFENSIBLE]

fén'cing, n. In vbl senses; also: railing; fences; material for fences; || ~cully, ~ken, storer, store, of stolen goods. [-ING¹]

fénd, v.t. & i. Ward off, keep away, repel from; provide for (usu. oneself). [for DEFEND]

fén'der, n. Thing used to keep something off, prevent collision, etc.; guard, esp. metal frame for fire to keep coals from rolling into room; || ~stool, long foot-stool before ~. Hence ~LESS a. [-ER¹]

fén'estóll'a, n. (archit.). Niche in wall S. of altar holding piscina & often credence. [L, dim. of *fenestra* window]

fén'es'trate, a. (bot., zool.). With small window-like perforations. [f. L *fenestrare* (prec.), -ATE¹]

fén'estrá'tion, n. (Archit.) arrangement of windows in a building; (Bot. & Zool.) being fenestrate. [prec., -ATION]

Fén'ian, n. & a. 1. One of a league among the Irish in U.S. for promoting revolution & overthrowing English government in Ireland; hence ~ISM (3) n. 2. adj. Of ~s or ~ism. [f. Oir. *féne* name of ancient Irish people confused w. *fiann* guard of legendary kings]

fénks, n. pl. Fibrous parts of whale's blubber, refuse of blubber when melted. [?]

fén'n'ec, n. Small N.-African fox notable for its huge pointed ears. [Moorish]

fén'n'el, n. Yellow-flowered fragrant umbelliferous herb used in sauces. [OE

finuol f. L *faeniculum* (faenum hay, -OULM)]

fén'ügreek, n. Leguminous plant with seeds used in farriery. [f. L *faenugraecum* (faenum hay, Graecus Greek)]

feoff. See FEEF.

feoffee' (fēfē), n. Person to whom freehold estate in land is conveyed by a feoffment; ~ in or of trust, trustee invested with such estate. [f. AF *feoffē* p.p. f. OF *feffer* (FEE), see -EE]

feoff'ment (fēf-), n. Particular mode of conveying freehold estate. [as prec., -MENT]

feoff'or, -er, (fēf-), n. One who makes feoffment to another. [as FEOFFEE, -OR²]

fēr'ae natūr'ae, a. (pred. or placed after noun). Not domesticated, living in a wild state, (hares are, the hare is, ~; animals ~). [L, = of a wild nature]

fēr'al, a. Wild, untamed, uncultivated; brutal. [f. L *fera* wild beast + -AL]

fer de lance (fārdelāhns'), n. A large and peculiarly venomous snake of tropical S. America. [F, = iron head of lance]

fē'rétorý, n. Shrine for saint's relics, tomb; || bier; chapel in which shrines were deposited. [ME *forte* f. L *feretrum* f. Gk *phretoron* (pherō bear), w. assim. to -ORY]

fēr'ial, a. (eccl.). (Of day) ordinary, not appointed for festival or fast (~ service etc., for use on ~ day). [f. F *fériat* f. L *ferialis* (feria holiday + -AL)]

fēr'ine, a. = FERAL. [f. L *ferinus* (fera wild beast, -INE²)]

Fering'hee (-ingē), n. (Indian term for) European, esp. Indian-born Portuguese. [corrupt. of FRANK¹]

fēr'm'ēt¹, n. Leaven, fermenting-agent; fermenting, fermentation; agitation, excitement, tumult. [F, f. L *fermentum* (fervere boil, -MENT)]

ferm'ēt², v.t. & t. Suffer, subject to, fermentation; (make) effervesce; excite, stir up, foment. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *fermenter* f. L *fermentare* (prec.)]

fēr'méntá'tion, n. Process like that induced by leaven in dough, with effervescence, heat, & change of properties; agitation, excitement. Hence ferm'ētá'tive a. [f. L *fermentatio* (prec., -ATION)]

fēr'n, n. One of a large group of vascular cryptogams with feathery fronds (also collect., go through heath & ~); ~and, Nightjar. Hence ~LESS, ~Y¹, ~s, ~ERY(3) n. [OE *fearn* cf. G *farn* fern w. Skr. *parjā* wing, feather, leaf]

fēr'ō'ci'ous (-shus), a. Fierce, savage, cruel. Hence ~LY² (-shus-) adv. [f. L *ferox* -ocis + -OUS]

fēr'ō'city, n. Ferocious character or act. [f. F *ferocité* f. L *ferocitatem* (prec., -TY)]

-ferous, suf. (in actual use -iferous, see -i-) forming adj., f. L -fer -producing (ferre bear) + -OUS; in adj. taken direct

thr. F *ferre* f. L as *auriferous*, & now a living suf., esp. in Nat. Hist., = -bearing, -having.

fě'róx, n. Great lake trout. [L name *Salmo ferox* fierce salmon]

fě'r'râte, n. A salt of ferrio acid. [f. L *ferrum* iron + -ATE⁴(3)]

fě'r'reous, a. Of, containing, iron. [f. L *ferreus* (prec.) + -OUS]

fě'r'rét¹, n. Half-tamed variety of polecat kept for driving rabbits from burrows, killing rats, etc.; searcher, detective. Hence ~Y² a. [f. OF *feret* dim. of *furor* f. LL *furor* nom. -o robber (L *fur*)]

fě'r'rét², v.i. & t. Hunt with ferrets (*go ~ing*); clear out (holes, ground), take or drive away (rabbits etc.), with ferrets (*about, away, out, etc.*); rummage, search (*about, for*); search out (secrets, criminals, etc.). [f. prec.]

fě'r'rét³, n. Stout cotton or silk tape. [f. It. *fioretti* floss-silk pl. of *fioretto* dim. of *fiore* f. L *flos -oris* flower]

fě'r'ri, comb. form used to indicate presence of iron in the ferric state (cf. FERRO-). [f. L *ferrum* iron]

fě'r'riage, n. Conveyance by, charge for using, ferry. [-AGE]

fě'r'ric, a. Of iron; (Chem.) containing iron in trivalent form (cf. FERROUS). [as FERRI- + IC]

fě'r'ri'ferous, a. Iron-yielding. [as prec. + -FEROUS]

Fě'r'ris wheel, n. Giant revolving vertical wheel supporting passenger cars on its periphery, an attraction at exhibitions etc. [G. W. G. *Ferris*, U.S. engineer]

fě'r'ro, comb. form of L *ferrum* iron, as ~calcite; ~concrete, = REINFORCED concrete; (Chem.) containing iron in the ferrous state (cf. FERRI-).

fě'r'ro-magnét'ic, a. Magnetic as opp. to diamagnetic. [prec.]

fě'r'rot'ype, n. Positive photograph taken on thin iron plate; this process. [FERRO-, TYPE]

fě'r'rous, a. (chem.). Containing iron as a divalent (cf. FERRO). [as FERRO- + OUS]

fě'r'ru'gious (-ró-), a. Of, containing, iron-rust or iron as a chemical constituent; rust-coloured, reddish-brown. [f. L *ferrugo -ginis* rust (*ferrum* iron) + OUS]

fě'r'rúle, -rel, n. Metal ring or cap strengthening end of stick or tube; band strengthening or forming joint. Hence

fě'r'rúle² (-ld) a. [earlier *verrel* f. OF *verrel* f. med. L *viriola* f. L *viriola* dim. of *virias* bracelets, altered as though dim. of *ferrum* iron]

fě'r'rý, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Convey or pass in boat, work (boat), (of boat) pass to & fro, over river, canal, or strait; fly (aircraft) from factory to operational airfield (~ *pick*, one who makes such flights). 2. n. Place, provision, for ~ing; (Law) right of ~ing & levying toll for it; ~ *boat*; ~ *man*; ~ *bridge*, large ~ *boat* trans-

porting railway train entire. [n. f. vb, OE *ferian* cogn. w. FARE]

fě'r't'ile (-il, -ll), a. Bearing abundantly, fruitful, (lit. & fig.; ~ of, in). So **fě'r'til'ity** n. [f. OF *fertil* f. L *fertilis* (*ferre* bear)]

fě'r't'iliz'e, v.t. Make fertile or (esp. soil); (Bot. etc.) fecundate (individual, organ). Hence ~ABLE a., ~A(TION, ~ER¹(1, 2), nn. [-IZE]

fě'r'ula (-óol-), **fě'r'ule** (-óol), nn. (Bot.) giant fennel (-ula); flat ruler with widened pierced end for punishing boys, wh nce **fě'r'ule** (-óol) v.t. [L (-a)]

fě'r'v'ent, a. Hot, glowing; ardent, i. (~ *soul, lover, hatred*), so **fě'r'v'ency** n. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *fervere* boil, -ENT]

fě'r'v'id, a. = prec. (poet. in first sense). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *fervidus* (prec.)]

fě'r'v'our (-er), n. Glowing condition, intense heat; vehemence, passion, zeal. [f. OF *fervor* f. L *fervorem* nom. -or (FERVENT, -OR¹)]

Fě's'cennine, a. ~ *verses*, scurrilous lampoons. [f. L *Fescenninus* (*Fescennia* town in Etruria, -INE²)]

fě's'cúe, n. Small stick, teacher's pointer; kinds of grass. [f. OF *festu* f. L *festuca*]

fě's'se, n. (her.). Two horizontal lines as bar across middle of field. [OF, f. *FASCIA*]

fě's't'al, a. Of a feast; keeping holiday; gay. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF (FEAST, -AL)]

fě's't'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of wound or sore) generate matter, ulcerate; (of poison, disease, grief) cause suppuration, rankle; putrefy, rot; cause festering in. 2. n. ~ing condition. [f. obs. n. *feaster* f. OF *festre* f. L *FISTULA*]

fě's't'ival, a. (not pred.), & n. Festal day, celebration, merry-making; periodic musical performance(s) of special importance; (adj.) of a feast (-day). [adj. use earlier; OF, f. med. L *festivus* (foll., -AL)]

fě's't'ive, a. Of a feast; joyous; fond of feasting, jovial. Hence ~LY² (-vi-) adv. [f. L *festivus* (*festum* FEAST, -IVE)]

fě's'tiv'ity, n. Gaiety, rejoicing; festive celebration, (pl.) festive proceedings. [f. OF *festivité* f. L *festivitatem* (prec., -TY)]

fě's'tóon', n., & v.t. 1. Chain of flowers or leaves, or ribbons etc., hung in curve between two points. 2. v.t. Adorn (as) with, form into, ~s. Hence ~ERY(5) n. [f. F *feston* f. It. *festone* perh. f. *festa* feast + -OON]

fě'tch', v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Go for &) bring back (person or thing; ~, or *go &*), a *doctor*; *FAR* ~ed; ~ & *carry*, run backwards & forwards with things, be a servant; cause to come, draw forth, (blood, tears; ~ *up*, vomit); bring in, realise, sell for, (a price); move the feelings of, delight (whence ~*me*² a.) or irritate; heave (sigh), draw (breath); deal (blow; usu. with ind. obj.), ~ *him a box on the ears*; ~ a *COMPLAIN*; ~ *up*, come to a stand. 2. n. Far-reaching effort

(arch.); dodge, trick; (Naut.) line of continuous extent from point to point, e.g. of a bay or of open sea. [OE *fec(e)an* perh. var. of *fetian* etym. dub. whence obs. *fel* in same sense]

fêch¹, n. Person's wraith or double. [f]
fête (fât), n., & v.t. 1. Festival, great entertainment, (~day, appointed for ~); day of saint after whom child is named, observed in R.-C. countries like birthday. 2. v.t. Entertain, make much of, (person). [f. F *fête(r)* FEAST]

fête champêtre (see Ap.), n. Outdoor fête. [F]

fê'tial (-shl), a. & n. (Rom. ant.). 1. ~law, of declarations of war & treaties of peace. 2. n. One of Roman college of priests who served as heralds. [f. L *fetialis* etym. dub.]

fêt'id, foe- (fê-), a. Stinking. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *fetidus* (*fetere* stink)]

fêt'ish, -ch(e) (-sh), n. Inanimate object worshipped by savages for its magical powers or as being inhabited by a spirit; principle etc. irrationally revered. Hence or cogn. ~ER¹, ~ER², ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~IS'TIC a. [f. F *fétiche* f. Port. *feticço* charm, orig. adj. = FACTIOUS]

fêt'lock, n. Part of horse's leg where tuft of hair grows behind pastern-joint (~deep, so as to cover ~). [ME *fytlok* cf. G *fiszloch* etym. dub.]

fêt'or, n. Stench. [L, see *FETID*, -OR¹]

fê't'er, n., & v.t. 1. Shackle for the feet; bond, (pl.) captivity; check, restraint; ~lock, (heraldic representation of) D-shaped ~ for tethering horse by leg. 2. v.t. Bind (as) with ~s, impede, restrain. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *feter* cf. G *fesser* f. OTeut. *fet-* cogn. w. *fët* foot; also w. L *pedica*, Gk *pedê*, fetter]

fêt'ile, n. Condition, trim, (in good etc. ~). [f. dial. vb *fettle* put right cf. OE *fetel* bond]

fetus. See *FOETUS*.

fêt'wa, n. Decision given by Moslem judicial authority. [Arab.]

feu, n. (Sc.). Perpetual lease at fixed rent; piece of land so held. [var. of *FEE*]

feud¹, n. Lasting mutual hostility (be at ~ with), esp. (often deadly ~) between two tribes, families, etc., with murderous assaults in revenge for previous injury. [ME & OF *feud* f. OHG *fehida* = OE *fēhthu* enmity; cogn. w. *FOE*]

feud², n. Fief, feudal benefice; territory held in fee. [f. med. L as *FEE*]

feud'al, a. Of a feud or fief; ~system, medieval European polity based on relation of vassal & superior arising from holding of lands in feud; of, resembling, according to, this system. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~IS'TIC a., ~ISM(3) v.t., ~ISM'ICION n. [f. med. L *feudalis* (prec., -AL)]

feud'al'ity, n. Feudal system or principles; feudal holding, fief. [f. F *feudalité* (prec., -TY)]

feud'atory, a. & n. Feudally subject to, under overlordship; (n.) feudal vassal. [f. med. L *feudare* enfeoff (*FUD*³, -OR¹)

feu de joie (fêdeshwah'), n. Salute of guns fired on ceremonial occasions. [F]

feuilleton (see Ap.), n. Ruled-off portion at foot of (esp. French) newspapers, devoted to fiction, criticism, light literature, etc. [F, = leaflet]

fêv'er, n., & v.t. 1. Morbid condition with high temperature & excessive change & destruction of tissues; any of a group of diseases so characterized, each with distinctive name, as *scarlet*, *typhoid*, ~; nervous excitement, agitation; ~heat, high temperature of body in ~; ~trap, place that collects ~germs. 2. v.t. Throw into ~. [OE *fêvor* f. L *febris*]

fêv'erflew, n. A herb formerly used in medicine. [OE *fêverfuge* f. L *febrifugia* (prec., *fugare* drive away)]

fêv'erish, a. Having symptoms of fever; excited, fitful, restless; (of places) infested by fever, feverous. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

fêv'erous, a. Infested with or apt to cause fever; feverish. [-OUS]

few, a. & n. Not many (~ is opp. to *many*, a ~ to none, only a ~ = ~; a man of ~ words; he spoke a ~ words; ~ have such a chance; ~, a ~, of his friends were there; a ~ know the truth; a faithful ~ remained; visitors are ~); in ~ (arch.), in ~ words, briefly; some ~, no great number; the ~, the minority, the elect, etc.; not a ~, many; (colloq.) a good ~, a fair number (of); every ~ days etc., once in every group of a ~ days; (sl.) a ~, very much, beyond a doubt. Hence ~NESS n. [com.-Teut.; OE *fewe* cf. OHG *fao*; cogn. w. L *paucus* & *paullus*, Gk *pauros*. In the use with a (cf. *hundred* etc.) ~ forms with the n. a collective, which however is followed by pl. vb]

fey (fâ), a. (Sc.). || Fated to die, at point of death; disordered in mind (often with over-confidence etc.) like person about to die. [com.-Teut.; OE *fège* cf. G *feige* cowardly]

fêz, n. Turkish cap, a tasselled dull-red truncated cone. [f. Turk. *fes* perh. f. *Fes*, town]

fiacre (fî'ahkr), n. French four-wheeled cab. [f. the Hôtel de St F~, Paris]

fiancé, -ée, (see Ap.), n. One's betrothed, (-e) male, or (-ée) female. [F]

Fianna Fail (fî'ana faw), n. Irish political organization and party which was founded in 1926 and entered Dail Eireann in 1927. (nom. pl. of Ir. *fian* + gen. of *Fail* Ireland; lit. = armed men of Ireland)

fîas'cô, n. (pl. -es). Failure or break-down (orig. in dramatic etc. performance), ignominious result. [It., = bottle (significance doubtful)]

fî'at (-at, -ât), n., & v.t. Authorization; decree, order, (n., & rarely vb = authorize);

*~ *money*, inconvertible paper-money made legal tender by Government decree. [L. = be it done]

fib¹, n., & v.i. (-bb-). (Tell) trivial or venial lie. Hence ~b¹ER¹, ~STER, nn. [perh. f. obs. *fible-fable* nonsense, redupl. of FABLE]

|| **fib²**, n., & v.t. (-bb-). A blow (vb, strike, hit about) in pugilism etc. [f]

fib³re (-ber), n. Thread-like filament forming with others animal & vegetable tissue or textile substance; substance consisting of ~s; fibrous structure; structure, grain, character, (*man of coarse ~*); substance that can be spun, woven, or felted; small root or twig. Hence (-)fib³RED² (-berd), ~LESS (-erl), fib³RIFORM, fib³ROUS, aa., fib³ROUSLY² adv., fib³ROUSNESS n., fibrocomb. form. [F, f. L *fibra* etym. dub.]

fib³ril, n. Small fibre; subdivision of fibre; ultimate subdivision of root. Hence ~LAR(Y), ~LATE², ~LATÉD, ~LIFORM, ~LOSE², aa., ~LATION n. [also *fibrilla* mod. L dim. of prec.]

fib³rin, n. Coagulable lymph found in animal & vegetable matter. Hence ~Ocomb. form, ~OUS a. [FIBRE + -IN]

fib³roid, a. & n. Of fibrous structure or appearance; (n.) ~uterine tumour. [-OID]

fib³roin, n. Chemical substance of which silk & cobweb mainly consist. [FIBRO + -IN]

fib³roin's, n. (pl. -to). Fibrous tumour. [mod. L (FIBRE, & cf. SARCOMA)]

fibrosit³is, n. (Rheumatic) inflammation of fibrous tissue. [mod. L (FIBRE, -ITIS)]

fib³ul³a, n. (pl. -ae, -as). Splint bone on outer side of leg. Hence ~AR¹ a. [L. = brooch (*figere fix*)]

-fic, suf. (in actual use, -*ific*, see -I-) repr. L *-ficus* f. weakened root of *facere* make, do, forming adj. f. nn. as *pacificus* peace-making, f. adj. as *magnificus*, f. vv. as *horrificus*, & f. the adv. *male, bene*. E adopted many L adj. of this type thr. F; & later formations, arising in various langg., are usu. of international currency, as *acidific*, *morbific*.

-fic³ation, suf. (in actual use -*ification*, see -I-) repr. L *-fication* (nom. -tio), which formed nn. of action f. vv. in *-facere* -FY. E adopted many pairs of words, n. & vb, f. L thr. F or of F formation, as *purify*, *purification*; hence -*ification* has become the recognized means of forming nn. corresp. to vv. in -fy exd. when these repr. L vv. in *-facere* (see -FACTION); as a rule the formation is based only on possible L types; exceptions are *beauti*~, *Frenchi*~, *transmogrifi*~.

fic³ille', a. String-coloured. [F. = string] **fi'chu** (-shoo), n. Woman's small triangular shawl of lace etc. for shoulders & neck. [F]

fic³kle, a. Inconstant, changeable. Hence ~NESS (-in-) n. [OE *ficol* cf. *bestian* deceive]

fic³tle, a. Made of earth or clay by

potter; of pottery. [f. L *ficilis* (*figere* fct- fashion, -II)]

fic³tion, n. Feigning, invention; thing feigned or imagined, invented statement or narrative; literature consisting of such narrative, esp. novels, whence ~IST(3) (-shon-) n.; conventionally accepted falsehood (esp. *legal, polite*, ~). Hence ~AL (-shon-) a. [F, f. L *fictionem* (prec., -ION)]

fic³tious (-shus), a. Counterfeit, not genuine; (of name or character) assumed; imaginary, unreal; of, in, novels; regarded as what it is called by legal or conventional fiction. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). [f. L *ficcius* (prec.) + -OUS]

fic³tive, a. Creating, created, by imagination. [F (-if, -ive), see FICTION, -IVE]

fid, n. 1. (Naut.) conical wooden pin used in splicing; (also ~pin) square wooden or iron bar for supporting topmast. 2. Small thick piece or wedge of anything. [f]

fid³le, n., int., & v.l. & t. 1. (Fam. or contempt. for) violin (*fit as a ~*, in good condition & sprits; *hang up one's ~* when one comes home, be witty abroad & dull at home; *play first, second*, ~, take leading, subordinate, position; *face as long as a ~*, dismal). 2. (Naut.) contrivance for stopping things from rolling off table. 3. ~now¹; ~-case, for holding ~; ~-de-dee', int. & n., nonsense; ~-fiddle, (n.) trivial matters, idler, (adj.) petty, fussy, (int.) nonsense, (v.l.) fuss, trifle; ~-head, carving at ship's bows; ~-pattern, of spoons & forks with ~-shaped heads; ~-stick, (n.) = ~-bow, (also, usu. pl., as int.) nonsense! 4. int. Nonsense! 5. vb. Play the ~, play (tune etc.) on ~; be idle or frivolous, make aimless movements, (*about, at, with*, etc.); fritter away. [ME *fiðele*, cf. MDu. *vedel*, G *fiedel*, etym. dub.; there is mod. L *vitula*, whence VIOL]

fid³ler, n. Player on fiddle, esp. for hire (F~s *Green*, sailor's Elysium); kind of small crab. [OE *fiðelere* (prec., -ER¹)]

fid³ley, n. (naut.; pl. ~s). Iron framework round opening of stokehold. [f]

fid³ling, a. In vb senses; esp., petty, futile, contemptible, inconsiderable. [-ING¹]

fid³l'ity, n. Faithfulness, loyalty, (to); strict conformity to truth or fact, exact correspondence to the original. [f. F *fidélité* f. L *fidelitatem* (*fidelis* faithful f. *fides* faith, -TY)]

fid³g'et¹, n. 1. Bodily uneasiness seeking relief in spasmodic movements (often the ~s); restless mood. 2. One who fidgets or causes others to; act of bustling etc., rustle of dress etc. Hence ~Y¹ a., ~INESS n. [sense 1 f. obs. *fige* to twitch, cf. G *ficken*; sense 2 f. foil.]

fid³g'et¹, v.l. & t. Move restlessly (often about); be uneasy, worry; make uncomfortable, worry, (person). [f. prec.]

fid'ibus, *n.* Paper spill for lighting candles, pipes, etc. [?]

Fid'o, *n.* Device for enabling aircraft to land by dispersing fog by means of petrol-fired flame burners heating air over runway. [Initials of *Fog Investigation Dispersal Operation*]

fidu'cial (-shl), *a.* (surv., astron., etc.). ~ *line*, *point*, etc., one assumed as fixed basis of comparison. [*f.* *L. fiducialis* (*fiducia* trust, -AL)]

fidu'ciary (-sha-), *a. & n.* 1. Of trust or trustee(ship); held or given in trust; (of paper currency) depending for its value on public confidence or securities. 2. *n.* Trustee. [*f. L. fiduciarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

fid'us Achat'es (akätéz), *n.* Devoted follower, henchman. [*L.* = faithful Achates, follower of Aeneas in *Aeneid*]

fie (fi), *int. expr.* sense of outraged propriety, usu. iron. or to children (often ~ *upon you!*) [*f.* OF *f.* *L. fi* excl. of disgust at stench]

fief (fêf), **fief** (fêf), *n.* = FEUD¹.

fie'fie (fi'fi), *a.* Improper, scandalous. [FIE]

field, *n., & v.i. & t.* 1. (Piece of) ground, esp. one used for pasture or tillage, & usu. bounded by hedges etc.; tract abounding in some natural product (*diamond, coal*, etc., ~). 2. Ground on which battle is fought (often *battle* ~; also *fig.*, *left his rival in possession of the ~*; *fair ~ & no favour*, equal conditions in contest; *hold the ~*, not be superseded); scene of campaign (*in the ~*, campaigning; *take, keep, the ~*, begin, continue, campaign); battle (*hard-fought, stricken, ~*); *F. of Cloth of Gold*, scene of meeting between Henry VIII & Francis I, 1520. 3. Ground for playing cricket, football, etc.; players, partakers, in outdoor contest or sport; all competitors or all except the favourite (*a good ~*, many & good competitors); (Cricket) side not batting, one of this side (see also *LONG*¹ ~). 4. Large stretch, expanse, of sea, sky, ice, snow, etc., also *fig.* (*the whole ~ of history*). 5. (Her.) surface of escutcheon or of one of its divisions; groundwork of picture, coin, flag, etc. 6. Area or sphere of operation, observation, etc. (*each supreme in his own ~*; *filled the ~ of the telescope*; *wide ~ of vision*; *outside the magnetic ~*, not near enough to be attracted). 7. attrib. (In names of animals etc.) found in the open country (~*mouse, ~ash*). 8. ~*allowance*, to officer on campaign to meet increased expenditure; ~*artillery, ~battery, ~gun* or ~*piece*, light & mobile for use with armies in the ~; ~*book* (used in ~ by surveyor for technical notes); ~*cornet*, magistrate of township in Cape Colony etc.; ~*day*, (Mil.) manoeuvring-exercise or review, (*fig.*) great occasion, important debate; ~*dressing*, appliances for wound in battle; ~*events*, athletic sports such as

weight-putting, jumping, discus-throwing, etc. (i.e. other than *races*); ~*glass*, binocular telescope for outdoor use, one of the lenses of astronomical telescope or compound microscope; ~*hospital*, ambulance, temporary hospital near battlefield; *F~ Marshal*, army officer of the highest rank; ~*night*, = ~*day* (*fig. sense*); ~*officer*, above captain & below general; ~*preacher, ~preaching*, in open air; ~*punishment* (Mil.), kinds of penal servitude for offences on campaign; ~*s~man*, ~*er* at cricket; ~*spor(s)*, outdoor, esp. hunting, shooting, fishing; ~*telegraph*, movable for use on campaign; ~*work*, temporary fortification; hence ~*WARD(s)* adv. 9. *vb.* Act as ~*smán* in cricket, baseball, or rounders; stop (& return) ball; put into the ~ (of football teams etc.); (Betting) back the ~ against the favourite; hence ~*FA*¹ *n.* [com.-WG; OE & G *feld*]

field'fare, *n.* Species of thrush spending winter in Britain. [ME *feldefare* perh. = fieldgoer (FARE²)]

fie(d), *n.* The devil; evil spirit, demon; person of superhuman wickedness, esp. cruelty (often jocular, as *the interviewer* ~); (with qualifying word) devotee or addict (*fresh-air ~, dope ~, morphia ~*). Hence ~*ISH*¹ *a.*, ~*ishly*¹ adv., ~*ishness* *n.*, ~*LIKE* *a.* [com.-Teut.; OE *feond* cf. G *feind* enemy, f. OTout. *vb* = hate, -ND²]

fierce, *a.* Violent in hostility, angrily combative; raging, vehement; ardent, eager. Hence ~*LY*¹ (-sl-) adv., ~*NESS* (-sn-) *n.* [*f.* OF *fiers* nom. of *fier* (F = proud) f. *L. ferus* savage]

fi'eri fâ'ciâs (-shi-), *n.* (legal; abbr. *f. fa.*). Writ to sheriff for executing judgement. [*L.* = see that (the sum) is made]

fier'y (fi-), *a.* Consisting of, flaming with, fire; (of arrows etc.) fire-bearing; looking like fire, blazing-red; (of eyes) flashing, ardent; hot as fire; acting like fire, inflaming, (~*y taste* etc.); eager, pugnacious, spirited, irritable; (of horse) mettlesome; (of gas, mine, etc.) inflammable, liable to explosions; (of cricket-pitch) making ball rise dangerously; ~*y cross*¹. Hence ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*INESS* *n.* [FIRE¹ + -Y¹]

festa (fê'stah), *n.* Festivity, holiday. [*Sp.* = feast]

fife, *n., & v.i. & t.* 1. Kind of small shrill flute used with drum in military music; = ~*r*. 2. *vb.* Play the ~; play (air etc.) on the ~; hence *fif'ER*¹ *n.* [*f.* G *pfeife* PIPE, or f. F *fife* fite(r) f. OHG *pfi/fari* piper (*pfi*/an to pipe)]

fife-rail (-fr-), *n.* (naut.). Rail round mainmast with belaying-pins. [perh. f. prec. because fifer sat on it while anchor was weighing]

fifteen' (also *fift*), *a. & n.* One more than fourteen, 15, XV; (Rugby football) side

of 15 players; the *F*~, Jacobite rising of 1715. Hence ~*TH*¹ a. & n. [OE *fifene*, *-tjne*, (MYA, -TEEN)]

fifth, a. & n. 1. Next after fourth (*smile under the ~ rth*, kill; ~ *wheel* of coach etc., something superfluous, also as name of two horizontal half-circles sliding one over the other when a carriage-front turns); ~ *part*, one of five equal parts into which thing is or might be divided. 2. n. = ~ *part*; (Mus.) interval of which the span involves five alphabetical notes, harmonic combination of the notes thus separated; (pl.) ~rate material. 3. ~ *column*, organized body sympathizing with and working for the enemy within a country at war etc., (loosely) traitors, spies; ~column *activities*, organized hindrance of the national effort by subversive propaganda on the part of ~columnists; *F*~ *Monarchy*, last of the five great empires (Dan. ii. 44; ~monarchy-man, 17th-c. zealot expecting immediate second coming of Christ & repudiating all other government). [OE *fifta* (still *fift* in diall.) cogn. w. G *fünfte*, Gk *pemptos*, L *quin(c)tus*, -th on anal. of FOURTH see -*TH*¹]

fifthly, adv. In the fifth place (in enumerations). [-LY¹]

fift(t)y, a. & n. 1. Five times ten, 50, L, (~y-one, -seven, etc.; ~y-first, -third, etc.); ~y-y, half & half, equal shares (*go ~y-y; on a ~y-y basis*); large indefinite number (*have ~y things to tell you*); hence ~YOLD a. & adv., ~IETH a. & n. 2. n. Set of ~y persons or things (*hid them by ~ies in a cave; the ~ies, years between 49 & 60 in life or century*). [OE *fiftig* cf. G *fünfteig* (MYA, -TY¹)]

fig¹, n. (Broad-leaved tree, usu. ~-tree, bearing) soft pear-shaped many-seeded fruit eaten fresh (*green ~s*) or dried (esp. Turkey or Smyrna ~s; *pulled ~s*, superior hand-picked Turkey ~s); *under one's vine & ~-tree*, safe at home; anything valueless (*don't care a ~ for*; also a ~ *for*-, as exol.); ~leaf, device for concealing what is indecorous (Gen. iii. 7); ~wort, brown-flowered herb. [f. F *figue* f. pop. L ⁺*fica* f. L *ficus*]

fig², n. Dress, equipment, (in full ~); condition, form, (in good ~). [prob. f. foll.]

fig³, v.t. (-gg-). ~ *out* or *up* (horse), make lively; ~ *out* (person), dress up, bedizen. [= obs. *feague* perh. f. G *fegen* furbish]

fight¹ (fit), v.i. & t. (*fought*, pr. *fight*). Contend in battle or single combat (*against, with*; *for*, on behalf of person or to secure thing); maintain (cause, suit at law, quarrel) against opponent, contend over (question), win one's way by ~ing; contend with in battle or duel, ~ with the fists; set on (cocks, dogs) to ~-ing-cock¹; manoeuvre (troops, ship) in battle; ~ off, repel with effort; ~

(dispute etc., or *th*) *out*, settle by ~ing; ~ *shy* of, keep aloof from (person, undertaking, etc.); ~ing *chance*, a possibility of success if strenuous effort is made; ~ing-top, circular gun-platform fixed high up on warship's mast. Hence ~*TH*¹ (fit) (esp.) n. & a., (fast aircraft) designed primarily for aerial ~ing (~ *er-bomber*, such aircraft used as a bomber). [oldm-WG; OE *fechtan*, cf. G *fechten*]

fight² (fit), n. Act of fighting (*give, & take a, ~; valiant in ~*); battle; combat, esp. pugilistic or unpremeditated, between two or more persons, animals, or parties (*running ~*, kept up while one party flies & one pursues; || *sham ~*, between troops for practice or display; *stand-up ~*, open & formal); (fig.) strife, conflict; appetite or ability for fighting (*has ~ in him yet; show ~*, not yield tamely). [f. prec.]

fig'ment, n. Invented statement; thing that has no existence except in imagination. [f. L *figmentum* (*fig-* see FIGURE¹, -MENT)]

fig'urant masc., -ante fem., **fig'urāntē** (pl. -ti, pr. -tē), nn. Ballet-dancer. [F (first two forms) & It. (third)]

figūrā'tion (also -ger)-, n. Determination to a certain form; the resulting form; shape, outline; allegorical representation; ornamentation by designs; (Mus.) use of florid counterpoint. [F, f. L *figurationem* (FIGURE², -ATION)]

fig'urative (-ger-, -gūr-), a. Emblematic, typical; pictorial or plastic; metaphorical, not literal; metaphorically so called; abounding in, addicted to, figures of speech. Hence ~LY¹ (-vī-) adv., ~NESS n. [F (-tē, -ive), f. LL *figurativus* (as prec., -ATIVE)]

fig'ure¹ (-ger), n. 1. External form, shape; (Geom.) superficial space enclosed by line(s), or three-dimensional space enclosed by surface(s), any of the classes of these, as triangle, sphere; bodily shape (*has a well-developed ~; keep one's ~, not grow stout*); a person as seen (*saw a ~ leaning against the door; ~ of fun, grotesque person*); a person as contemplated mentally (*the most terrible ~ in our history*); conspicuous appearance (*make or cut a brilliant, poor, ~*, produce such impression; *person of ~*, distinguished). 2. Image, likeness; representation of human form, statue, person in picture; emblem, type, simile. 3. Diagram, illustrative drawing, (abbr. for *rel.*, *fig.*); horoscope; decorative pattern; evolution in dancing, division of set dance; (Skating) movement, series of movements, beginning & ending at centre. 4. Numerical symbol, esp. one of the ten in Arabic notation (*double ~s*, number between 9 & 100; *income of five ~s*, between \$10,000 & \$100,000; *reach three ~s*, in cricket, get century; *got it at a low,*

high, ~, cheap, dear). 5. (Rhet.; also ~ of speech) recognized form of abnormal expression giving variety, force, etc., e.g. apostrophe, hyperbole, metaphor, (~ of speech only) piece of exaggeration. 6. (Gram.) permitted deviation from rules of construction, e.g. ellipsis. 7. (Log.) particular form of syllogism according to position of middle term. 8. (Mus.) short succession of notes producing single impression, brief melodic or rhythmic formula out of which longer passages are developed. 9. ~dance, dance or dancing exhibition with distinct divisions, ~dancer, performer in this; ~head, carving, usu. bust or full-length ~, over ship's cutwater, nominal leader or president without real authority, (joc.) person's face. Hence ~LESS (-gerl-) a. [F, f. L *figura* (fig-st. of *figere* fashion, -URE)]

fig'ure² (-ger), v.t. & i. Represent in diagram or picture; picture mentally, imagine, (often to oneself); be symbol of, represent typically; embellish with pattern (~d satin); mark with numbers or prices, do arithmetic, cipher (~up, reckon amount of); ~out, give result in figures (~s out at \$45); make appearance, appear, (~as, pass for, assume character of), be conspicuous. [f. prec.]

figürine' (-ën), n. Statuette. [F, f. It. *figurina* dim. of *figura* FIGURE¹]

fil'ament, n. Slender thread-like body, fibre, (esp. in animal or vegetable structure); not easily fusible conductor in electric bulb or thermionic valve, heated or made incandescent by current; (of air, light, etc.) imaginary portion of stream, row of particles following each other; (Bot.) part of stamen that supports anther. Hence ~ARY¹ (-ën), ~ED², ~OUS (-ën), aa. [f. L *filare* spin f. L *filum* thread, -MENT]

fil'ature, n. (Establishment for) reeling silk from cocoons. [F, as prec., -URE]

fil'bert, n. (Nut of) cultivated hazel. [short for ~nut = dial. F *noix de filbert*, ripe about St Philibert's day (Aug. 22)]

filch, v.t. Steal, pilfer. [?]

file¹, n., & v.t. 1. Instrument usu. of steel with roughened surface(s) for reducing or smoothing objects (*bite*, *snaw*, ~, attempt vain task); (al.) artful person, dodger, (usu. old, deep, etc., ~), person. 2. v.t. Smooth, reduce surface of, with ~; elaborate to perfection (esp. literary work); ~away (roughnesses etc.), remove with ~. [OE *fēol* of Du. *veijl*, G *feile*]

file², n., & v.t. 1. Stiff pointed wire on which documents etc. are run for keeping; kinds of appliance for holding papers arranged for reference; set of papers so kept, esp. in court of law referring to a case; series of issues of a newspaper in order. 2. v.t. Place (papers) on ~ or among public records. [f. F *fil* f. L *filum* thread]

file³, n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Mil.) a front-rank man & the man or men straight behind him (~s ~, marching with the men of a double line faced towards one of its ends; *single*, *Indian*, ~, similar formation of single line; *RANK*¹ & ~; a ~ of men, two told off for some purpose); row of persons or things one behind another; (Chess) line of squares from player to player (cf. *RANK*¹). 2. v.b. March in ~; ~ off, away, go off by ~s; (v.t.) order (soldiers) to move off by ~s. [F (*filare* vb f. *filum* thread)]

fil'émot, a. & n. Dead-leaf colour(ed), brownish yellow. [f. F *feuille morte* dead leaf]

filet (fōl'ä), n. Kind of net with square mesh (~lace, ~net). [F, = thread]

fil'ial, a. Of, due from, son or daughter. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *filialis* (L *filius*, -a, son, daughter, -AL)]

fil'iâte, v.t. (Rare for) AFFILIATE.

fil'iât'ion, n. Being some one's child; descent (from); formation of offshoots, branch of a society or language; genealogical relation or arrangement. [F, f. med. L *filiationem* (*filare* give birth to f. L *filius* son, -ATION)]

fil'ibég, n. (So.). Kilt. [f. Gael. *felleadh-beag* little fold]

fil'ibüster, n., & v.i. 1. One who engages in unauthorized warfare against foreign State; *obstructionist in legislative assembly. 2. v.i. Act as ~. [ult. f. Du. *vrijbuitler* FREEBOOTER affected by F *flibustier*, Sp. *flibustero*, f. same]

fil'igree, **fil'a-**, n. Ornamental work of fine gold or silver or copper wire formed into delicate tracery, fine metal openwork; anything delicate, light, showy, & frail. Hence fil'igreed¹ a. [f. F *filigrane* f. It. *filigrana* (L *filum* thread, *granum* grain)]

fil'ing, n. In vbl senses of **FILM**¹; also, (usu. pl.) particle(s) rubbed off by file. [-ING¹]

fill, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make or become full (with; *sails* ~, are distended with wind); stock abundantly; occupy whole capacity or extent of, spread over, pervade, (~the bill, be the only conspicuous item, also in U.S., do all that is required, suffice); (of dentist) block up (hollow tooth, cavity) with gold etc., whence ~ING²(4) n.; satisfy, satiate, (esp. in part., of kinds of food); hold (position), discharge duties of (office); execute (an order, commission, etc.); occupy (vacant time); appoint holder of (vacant post); adulterate (esp. cotton fabrics; usu. in p.p.); ~in, complete (outline), add what is wanted to complete (unfinished document, blank cheque, etc.); ~out, enlarge, become enlarged, to the proper limit; ~up, ~completely, supply vacant parts or places or deficiencies in, do away with (pond etc.) by ~ing, grow full; **FILLUP** ~dike; hence ~'N¹(1, 2) n. 2. n. Fall

supply of drink or food (*drink, have, etc.*, one's ~; also with intr. vbs, as *fred her* ~); enough to ~ something (a ~ of tobacco). [OE *fyllan* cf. G *füllen*, cogn. w. FULL¹]

fille (fî'ye), n. ~ *de chambre* (dezhahn'br), chambermaid; ~ *de joie* (de zhwah), prostitute. [F, = daughter]

fil'et, n., & v.t. 1. Head-band, ribbon, string, or narrow band, for binding the hair or worn round head; band, bandage; thin narrow strip of anything; (pl.) animal's loins; fleshy detachable piece of meat near loins or ribs, undercut of sirloin; one of the thick slices into which a fish may be divided; middle part of leg of veal boned, rolled, & tied up; piece of beef, fish, etc., similarly prepared; (Archit.) narrow flat band separating two mouldings, small band between flutes of column; (Her.) horizontal division of shield, quarter of ONIER¹ in depth; raised rim or ridge on any surface; (Book-bind.) plain line impressed on cover. 2. v.t. Bind (hair, person as to hair) with ~; encircle with ornamental band; divide (fish) into ~s. [f. F *filet* f. L *filum* thread + -ET¹]

fil'ip, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Sudden release of finger or thumb when it has been bent & checked by thumb or finger; slight smart stroke thus given; stimulus, incentive; mere trifle (*not worth a ~*). 2. vb. Propel (coin, marble, etc.) with a ~; stimulate (~ one's *memory or wits*); strike slightly & smartly; make a ~. [prob. imit., cf. FLIP]

fil'ister, n. Rabbeting-plane for window-sashes etc. [?]

fil'y, n. Female foal (cf. COLT); young lively girl. [perh. f. ON *fylija* cogn. w. FOAL]

film, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Thin skin, plate, coating, or layer; (Photog.) coating of collodion, gelatin, etc., spread on photographic paper or plate, or used instead of plate, celluloid roll used in cinematography, its contents as shown (~FAN²; ~ *star*, eminent cinema actor or actress; ~ *test*, photographic test of would-be ~ actor; *the ~s*, cinema show); dimness over eyes; slight veil of haze etc.; fine thread or filament; hence fil'my⁴ a., fil'mix³ adv., fil'miness n. 2. vb. Cover, become covered, (as) with ~; reproduce (scene etc.) for the cinema; be (well or ill) suited for reproduction on the ~s. [OE *filmen* membrane cf. OFris. *filmene* skin, & FELL¹]

fil'oëlle, n. Floss silk. [F, f. It. *filosello* perh. f. pop. L **follicellus* cocoon, dim. of L *folius* bag, influenced by It. *filo* thread]

file (fê's), n. The son, junior, (appended to name to distinguish between father & son of same names, cf. F&M). [F]

fil'ter, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Contrivance for freeing liquids from suspended impu-

rities, esp. by passing them through stratum of sand, charcoal, etc.; ~-bed, tank or pond with false bottom covered with sand etc. for ~ing large quantities. 2. vb. Pass (liquid), flow, through ~; (of ~) purify (liquid); make way *through, into*, etc., percolate, (of news etc.) leak out or come *through*; obtain by ~ing. [vb f. n., f. OF *filtrer* f. med. L *filtrum* f. Teut. st. whence FEEL¹ (earliest ~ being of felt)]

filth, n. Loathsome dirt; uninviting food, garbage; vileness, pollution, obscenity; foul language. Hence fil'thy² a. (~ *lucre*, dishonourable gain, also joc. money), fil'thly³ adv., fil'thiness n. [OE *filth* (FOUL¹, -TH¹)]

fil'trâte¹, n. Filtered liquor. [FILTER v., -ATE¹(2)]

fil'trâte², v.t. & i. = FILTER v. So ~A'TION n. [f. mod. L *filtrare* (as prec., -ATE²)]

fil'm'brîate, -âtéd, aa. (bot., zool.). Fringed, bordered with hairs etc. [f. L *filmbria* fringe + -ATE¹]

fin, n. Organ for propelling & steering attached to fish & cetaceans at various parts of body (*anal, caudal, dorsal, pectoral, ventral*, etc.); (sl.) hand (*tip vs your ~*, shake hands). Hence (-)~ned¹ (-nd), ~LESS, aa. [OE *finn*, cf. MDu. *vinne*, & L *pinna*]

fin'al, a. & n. 1. At the end, coming last, ultimate; putting an end to doubt, conclusive, definitive, unalterable; concerned with the purpose or end aimed at (~ CAUSE¹; ~ *clause* in Gram., introduced by *in order that, lest*, etc.); hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. Last or deciding heat or game in athletics, whence ~IST n., competitor in this; (sing. or pl.) last of a series of examinations; || (colloq.) edition of newspaper published latest in the day; (Mus.) principal note in any mode. [F, f. L *finalis* (*finis* end, -AL)]

fina'lê (-nah-), n. (Mus.) last movement of instrumental composition, piece of music closing act in opera; close of drama etc.; conclusion, final catastrophe. [It., as prec.]

final'ity, n. Principle of final cause viewed as operative in the universe; being final; belief that something is final; final act, state, or utterance. [F (-tê), f. LL *finalitatem* (FINAL, -TY)]

finance', n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Pl.) pecuniary resources of sovereign, State, company, or person; management of (esp. public) money, science of revenue. 2. vb. Furnish with ~s, find capital for; engage in financial operations. [OF (*Aner* settle debt f. *fin* end; -ANCE)]

finân'cial (-shl), a. Of revenue or money matters (~ *year*, annual period for which public accounts are made up). Hence ~LY² (-sha-) adv. [prec. + -IAL]

finân'cier¹ (*also *finances*), n. One skilled in levying & managing public money; capitalist. [F (FINANCE, -IER)]

financier¹ (-sē), v.i. & t. Conduct financial operations (usu. contempt.); 'cheat, swindle, (~ money away; ~ one out of). [f. prec.]

finch, n. Kinds of small bird (usu. with distinctive epithet or prefix, as *mountain* ~, *bull* ~). [OF *fin* cf. G *fink*]

find, v.t. (*found*), & n. 1. Come across, fall in with, light upon, (*was found dead*; *we ~ St John saying*; *administer the law as you ~ it*; *found a treasure*); obtain, receive, (~ *favour, mercy*, one's *ACCOUNT* ~ in; ~ one's *feel*, get the use of them, develop one's powers); recognize as present, acknowledge or discover to be so-&-so, (*I ~ no sense in it*, ~ *the terms reasonable*; *how do you ~ yourself?*; *must take us as you ~ us*, put up with us as we are); discover by trial to be or do or (*that*) or to (*has been found wanting*; ~s *rest agreeable*; *is found to pay*; *I ~ it pays*, pay, or to pay, or that it pays; ~ it impossible, necessary, to —); discover by search; discover (game), discover game, in hunting; ~ oneself, discover one's vocation, & see below; succeed in obtaining (money, bail, sureties; *can't ~ time to read*; *found courage to —*; *could ~ it in my heart to —*, am inclined; ~ *expression, place, vent*); come home to, reach the conscience of; ascertain by study or calculation or inquiry (~ one's way to, contrive to reach, arrive at); (Law) determine & declare (*it*, i.e. the offence, murder; person *guilty* etc.; *that —*; ~ *true bill*), whence ~ING¹(2) n.; supply, provide, furnish, (*they found him in clothes*; *hotel does not ~ tea*; *all found*, with all necessities provided, of servants' wages; ~ oneself, provide for one's own needs, & see above); ~ out, discover, devise, solve, detect in offence; hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. ~ing of fox; discovery of treasure, minerals, etc.; *sure ~*, place where something (esp. fox) is sure to be found. [com.-Teut.; OE *findan* cf. Du. *vinden*, G *finden*; porh. cogn. w. L *petere* seek]

fin'der, n. In vbl senses; esp.: small telescope attached to large one to find object; contrivance for same purpose in microscope & in photographic camera. [-ER¹]

fin de siècle (see Ap.), a. Characteristic of end of nineteenth century, advanced, modern; decadent. [F, = end of century]

fine¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. End (now only in *in* ~, to sum up, finally, in short); || sum of money paid by in-coming tenant in consideration of small rent; sum of money fixed as penalty for offence. 2. vb. Pay consideration for privilege or appointment; punish by a ~, whence fin'ABLE a. [ME & OF *fin* settlement of dispute f. L *finis* end]

fine², a., n., adv., & v.t. & i. 1. Of high quality; clear, pure, refined, (of gold or

silver) containing specified proportion of pure metal, as *gold 22 carats ~*, *silver 11 as ~*; delicate, subtle, exquisitely fashioned, (of feelings) elevated; of slender thread, in small particles, thin (~ *pencil*, of hard lead for making ~ lines); sharp (~ *pen*, narrow-pointed); (Athlet.) reduced to perfect condition; capable of delicate perception or discrimination, perceptible only with difficulty (*a ~ distinction*); excellent, of striking merit, good, satisfactory, fortunate, of good effect, (*had ~ sport*; *has been a ~ thing for him*; often iron., as *a ~ friend you have been to*); well conceived or expressed; of handsome appearance or size, dignified, (~ *potatoes*; *a man of ~ presence*); bright, cloudless, free from rain, (~ *weather*; *one ~ day*, once upon a time; *one of these ~ days*, some day, in prophecies); ornate, showy, smart, (~ *feathers*, gaudy plumage, lit. & fig., as ~ *feathers make ~ birds*); fastidious, dainty, affecting refinement, (of speech or writing) affectedly ornate; complimentary, euphemistic, (*say ~ things about person*, *call things by ~ names*); ~ arts, those appealing to sense of beauty, as poetry, music, & esp. painting, sculpture, architecture; ~ chemicals, chemicals produced or used in small quantities and in a state of comparative purity (i.e. other than heavy chemicals, dyestuffs, cellulose or sugar products, etc.); ~draw, sew together (two pieces of cloth, rent, garment) so that the join is imperceptible; ~drawn, subtle, extremely thin, (Athlet.) trained down in weight; ~ gentleman, lady, person of fashion, person who thinks himself above working; ~spun, delicate, flimsy, (of theories etc.) excessively subtle, unpractical; hence fin'ISH¹(2) a., ~LY¹ (-ly) adv., ~NESS (-ness) n. 2. n. ~ weather (*in rain or ~*). 3. adv. ~ly (*talk ~*). 4. vb. Make (beer) clear (often down); (of liquid) become clear; ~ away, down, off, make or become ~r, thinner, less coarse, (make) dwindle, taper. [f. F *fin* f. Rom. *fino* prob. back formation f. *finis* FINISHED]

fine champagne (see Ap.), n. Liqueur brandy. [F]

fin'ery¹, n. Smartness, stylishness, (rare); showy dress or decoration. [FIN² adj., -ERY]

fin'ery², n. Hearth where cast iron is made malleable or steel made from pig-iron. [F (-ie), f. *finer* refine f. Rom. *finare* (L *finis* end), -ERY]

finesse¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Delicate manipulation, subtle discrimination; artfulness, cunning strategy; (Cards) attempt to take trick by inferior card, with higher one in reserve. 2. vb. Use ~; wheedle (*into*, *trick away*, *manage by ~*; (Cards) make a ~, play (card) by way of ~. [F (Rom. *fino* FIN², -ESS²)]

fin'ger (-ngg-), n., & v.t. 1. One of five terminal members of hand (*thumb, & fore, middle, ring, & little* ~s), or four excluding thumb (usu. now numbered thus, but of. *fourth* ~, i.e. ring ~, in marriage service), (*done by the* ~, i.e. agency, of God; *more wit in his little ~ than in your whole body*; *lay, put, a ~ upon*, touch however slightly; *lay, put, one's ~ on* ailing part or cause of evil, point with precision to; *look through one's ~s at*, pretend not to see; *stir a ~*, make the least effort; *turn or twist* person round one's (*little*) ~, cajole him; *my ~s itch*, I long, am impatient, to do; *his ~s are all thumbs*, he is clumsy; *with a wet ~*, with ease; *BURN* one's ~s; *have a ~ in the pie*, take part in a matter; *let slip through one's ~s*, lose hold of; *have at one's ~tips* or ~ends, be versed in, know familiarly; *to the ~nails*, completely; part of glove that holds ~; ~like object, esp. such part of a fruit etc., & in various machines; ~*alphabet, language*, conventional signs for talking with the deaf; ~*bowl, glass*, for rinsing ~s after dessert; ~*fern*, kind of spleenwort; ~*fish*, starfish; ~*plate*, fastened on door to prevent ~marks; ~*post*, giving directions at parting of roads; ~*print*, impressions of person's ~s, used for identifying criminals etc.; ~*stall*, cover of leather or rubber to protect ~ in dissections etc. or when wounded; hence ~*LESS*, (-)~*ED*³ (-nggerd), aa. 2. v.t. Touch with, turn about in, the ~s; take (bribes etc.); play upon (instrument) with the ~s, play (passage) with ~s used in particular way, mark (music) with signs showing which ~s are to be used, whence ~*ing*¹ (-ngg-) [-iŋg¹] n. [com.-Teut.; OE, OFris., Sw., Da., *finger*; perh. cogn. w. FIVE]

fin'gering¹ (-ngg-), n. (for *fin'gering*¹ see prec.). Wool for stockings. [earlier *fin'gram, -tm*, etc., perh. f. F *fin* grain fine grain, cf. GEOGRAM]

fin'gerling (-ngg-), n. Parr. [FINGER n., -LING¹]

fin'ial, n. (archit.). Ornament finishing off apex of roof, pediment, gable, tower-corner, canopy, etc. [var. of FINAL]

fin'ical, a. Over-nice, precise, fastidious; too much finished in details. Hence ~*LY*³ adv., ~*NESS*, ~*TRY* (-âlt), nn. [perh. f. FINE³, or var. of foll.]

fin'icking, fin'ikin, a. =prec. [etym. dub.; cf. MDu. *fin'kens* accurately, neatly]

fin'is, n. (no pl.). (At end of book) the end; end of anything, esp. of life. [L]

fin'ish, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Bring to an end, come to the end of (often ~ doing; ~ off, provide with an ending), complete; consume, get through, the whole or remainder of (food, book); kill, dispatch, overcome completely; perfect, put final or ~ing touches to, (~ed manners,

gentleman; also with off, up); complete education of; (v.i.) reach the end, cease, leave off; have done with; end in something or by doing. 2. n. Last stage, termination, esp. of a fox-hunt (*be in at the* ~, often fig.); *fight to a ~*, till one party is completely worsted; what serves to give completeness; accomplished or completed state; mode of ~ing (cf. furniture, as *mahogany* ~). [f. OF *finir* f. L *finire* (finis end), -ISH¹]

fin'isher, n. In vbl senses; esp.: work or machine doing last operation in manufacture; discomfiting thing, (blow, etc. [-ER¹]

fin'ite, a. Bounded, limited, not infinite; (Gram.) limited by number and person, not infinitive. Hence ~*NESS* (-tē-), n. [f. L *finitus* p.p. of *finire* FINISH]

Fin(n), n. One of N.-Eastern European people who call their country *Suomi*. [OE. *Finnas* pl., etym. dub.]

finn'an, n. (Also ~ *haddock*) haddock cured with smoke of green wood, turf, or peat. [f. *Findhorn* or *Findon*, Scotland]

finn'er, n. Kinds of whale, esp. rorqual, having dorsal fin. [-ER¹]

Finn'ic, a. Of the group of peoples allied to the Finns; Finnish. [-ic]

Finn'ish, a. & n. (Language) of the Finns; Finnic. [-ISH¹]

finn'y, a. Having fins; like a fin; of, teeming with, fish. [FIN + -Y¹]

Fin'sen light (lit), n. (Apparatus for producing) ultra-violet light for the treatment of lupus etc. [Niels *Finzen*, Danish physician (d. 1904)]

fjôrd, fjôrd, (fy-), n. Long narrow arm of sea between high cliffs as in Norway. [Norw.]

fî'orin, n. Kind of grass. [f. Ir. *flóridín*]

fî't, n. (Also ~*tree*) kinds of coniferous tree with needles placed singly on the shoots (*Scotch, Silver, Spruce, Fir*); their wood; ~*apple, -ball, -cone*, fruit of ~; ~*needle*, its leaf. Hence ~*r'y*² a. [cf. Da. *fyr, G fôhre*, prob. cogn. w. L *quercus* oak]

fi're¹, n. 1. Active principle operative in combustion, flame, incandescence, (*set* ~ to, kindle; *strike* ~, elicit sparks by friction or blow; *no smoke without* ~, always some ground for rumour). 2. State of combustion (*on* ~, burning, fig. excited; *set* on ~, ignite, excite; *set Thames* on ~, do something remarkable; *catch, take, ~*, be ignited). 3. Burning fuel in grate, furnace, etc. (*heap* COALS of ~; *burnt child dreads the* ~; *out of FRYING-pan into* ~; *FAT is in the* ~), whence **fi'ring**¹(3) n. 4. Conflagration, destructive burning, (~, call for aid at a ~; *pour oil on* ~, add to excitement while deprecating it; *go through* ~ & *water*, face all perils; ~ & *sword*, burning & slaughter); *Greek* ~, combustible composition for igniting enemy's ships etc. 5. Impl-

nosity, glow, (*St Elmo's ~*, corposant); burning heat, fever, (*St Anthony's ~*, erysipelas). 6. Vehement emotion, fervour, spirit, lively imagination, vivacity, poetic inspiration. 7. Firing of guns (*open, cease, ~*; *running ~*, successive shots from line of troops etc., esp. fig. of criticism, objections, etc.); *between two ~s*, shot at from two directions; *line of ~*, path of bullet about to be shot; *under ~*, being shot at; *HANG, MISS*, ~). 8. *~alarm*, automatic arrangement for giving notice of ~; *~arm* (usu. pl.), rifle, gun, pistol, etc.; *~back*, Sumatran pheasant; *~ball*, large meteor, globular lightning, (Mil.) ball filled with combustibles; *~balloon*, made buoyant by heat of combustible burning at its mouth; *~bird*, kind of bee-eater; *~blast*, disease of plants; *~blight*, disease of hops; *~bomb*, incendiary; *~box*, fuel-chamber of steam-boiler; *~brand*, piece of burning wood, person or thing kindling strife; *~brick* (proof against ~, used in grates etc.); *~brigade*, organized body of ~men; *~clay* (kind used for ~bricks); *~control*, system of regulating ~ of ship's or fort's guns; *~cross*, = *fiery cross*; *~damp*, miner's name for carburetted hydrogen, explosive when mixed in certain proportion with air; *~dog*, andiron; *~drake*, meteor, fiery dragon (in German myth.); *~eater*, juggler who eats fire, great fighter, duellist; *~engine*, machine for throwing water to extinguish ~s; *~escape*, apparatus for saving people in burning house; *~eyed* (poet.), with glowing eyes; *~flair*, a fish, the sting-ray; *~fly*, winged insect emitting phosphorescent light; *~guard*, protective frame or grating in front of ~ in room, (also) = *~watcher*; *~hose*, hose-pipe for extinguishing ~s; *~insurance*, against losses by ~; *~irons*, tongs, poker, & shovel; *~light*, light from ~place; *~lighter*, prepared kindling-fuel; *~lock*, antiquated musket in which priming was ignited by sparks; *~man*, tender of furnace or steam-engine ~, man employed to extinguish ~s; *~new* (arch.), = brand-new; *~office*, insuring against ~; *~opal*, kind of opal with internal flame-coloured reflections, *GRASOIL*; *~pan*, brazier; *~place*, grate or hearth for room ~; *~plug* (abbr. F.P.), connexion in water-main for ~hose; *~policy*, ~insurance office's certificate guaranteeing compensation in case of ~; *~raising*, arson; *~screen*, to keep off heat of ~; *~ship*, freighted with combustibles and sent adrift to ignite enemy's ships etc.; *~side*, space round ~place, home life; *~step*, = *fring-step* (*FRS*); *~stone*, kind that resists ~, used for furnaces etc.; *~stoker*, stoker; *~trap*, building without proper exits in case of ~; *~walking*, (religious) ceremony of walking barefoot

over white-hot stones, wood-ashes, etc.; *~watcher*, person keeping watch for ~s esp. those caused by ~bombs; *~water*, ardent spirits; *~wood*, wood prepared for fuel; *~work*, kinds of apparatus giving spectacular effects by use of combustibles etc., squib, rocket, etc., (fig., pl.) display of wit, passion, etc.; *~worship*, treatment of ~ as a deity. Hence *~proof* (-fip-), *~less* (-fii-), aa. [oom.-WG; OE *fyr* cf. G *feuer*; also Gk *pur*]

fire¹, v.t. & i. 1. Set fire to with intention of destroying; kindle (explosives); (fig.) stimulate (the imagination), fill (person) with enthusiasm; (of explosives, mines) catch fire; become heated or excited (~ up, show sudden anger); redden (t. & i.); bake (pottery, bricks), cure (tea, tobacco) by artificial heat; (Farrier) cauterize; supply (furnace, engine) with fuel; cause (explosive, gun) to explode (often off; ~ salute, discharge number of guns as salute; ~ broadside, discharge all guns on one side of ship), (abs.) shoot, discharge gun etc. (*at, into, on, upon*), (fig.) ~ away, begin, go ahead; (of gun etc.) go off; propel (missile) from gun etc. (fig.) ~ off a postcard, a remark); * ~ out or ~, expel, dismiss, reject, (person); *fring-party*, squad detailed to ~ volleys at a military funeral or carry out a military execution; *fring-step* (on which soldier in trench stands to ~). [f. prec.]

fir'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. *single* etc. ~, gun that fires once etc. without reloading. [-AR¹]

firk'in, n. Small cask for liquids, butter, fish, etc.; (as measure) half of kilderkin. [earlier *ferdekyn* prob. f. MDu *vierde fourth*, -KIN)]

firm¹, n. Partners carrying on business (|| *long ~*, set of swindlers who obtain goods & do not pay). [earlier senses *signature, style*, f. Rom. *firma* (f. *firma* confirm); doublet of *FARM*¹]

firm², a., adv., & v.t. & i. 1. Of solid or compact structure; fixed, stable; steady, not shaking; established, immutable, (of offer etc.) not liable to cancellation after acceptance; steadfast, unflinching, resolute; constant to; (Commerc., of prices, goods) maintaining their level or value; hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. 2. adv. ~ly (*stand ~, hold ~ to*). 3. vb. Solidify (t. & i.), compact, (soil after planting etc., cheese); fix ~ly (plants in soil). [f. OF *forme* f. L. *firma*]

firmament, n. Vault of heaven with its clouds & stars. Hence ~AL (-en) a. [f. L. *firmamentum* (*firma* as prec., -MENT)]

firm'an, n. Oriental sovereign's edict, grant, licence, passport. [f. Pers. *firmān*]

first, a., n., & adv. 1. Earliest in time or order (*at ~ sight, view, or blush, prime fact*); *F~ cause*; *come in ~, win race*; *shall do it ~ thing, telling*, before anything else; *in the ~ place, to begin with*; the ~

two etc., *lit.*, or = the ~ & second etc.; often further defined, as *the ~ man you meet, was the ~ to do it*; foremost in position, rank, or importance (*head etc.* ~, with the head in front; *the ~ men in the country*; || *F~ Lord of the TREASURY*; || *F~ Lord of the Admiralty*, parliamentary chief of Navy; || *F~ Sea Lord*, professional chief of Navy); coming next after a specified or implied time (*shall take the ~ train*; *the ~ cuckoo*); (with *the*) even one (*he doesn't know the ~ thing about it*); unsupported by others, sufficient by itself, (*obeyed at her ~ word*); basic or self-evident (~ *principles*). 2. ~ *aid*, help given to hurt person before doctor comes; ~ *born*, eldest (child); ~ *chor*¹; ~ *class*, set of persons or things grouped together as better than others, || best accommodation in railway train etc., || highest division in examination list, place in class; ~ *class*, (adj.) belonging to the ~ *class*, of best quality, very good, (adv.) || by the ~ *class* (*travels ~-class*); ~ *coat*, ~ *layer of paint*; ~ *cost*, cost not including profit; ~ *day*, Sunday; ~ *floor*, || the one above ground-floor, *ground-floor; || ~ *foot* (Sc.), ~ person to cross threshold in the New Year (also as vb); ~ *form*, lowest class in schools; ~ *fruit* (usu. pl.), ~ products of agriculture for the season esp. as offered to God, results of work etc., (Hist.) payment to some superior by new holder of office; *hand*, direct, without intermediate agency (*at ~ hand*, directly); ~ *name*, Christian name; ~ *night(er)*, (habitual frequenter of) ~ performance of plays; ~ *offender* (against whom no previous conviction is recorded); ~ *rate*, of the highest class (*the ~ rate Powers*, great States of ~ *rate importance*), excellent, very well, (*a ~ rate machine, feeling ~ rate*), (as n., Naut.) line-of-battleship of the old type, three-decker; ~ *violin*, one of the players taking the uppermost string part in orchestral music, the leader of such players, the leader of a string quartet. 3. n. *The ~*, person or thing ~ mentioned; *from the ~*, from the beginning; *from ~ to last*, throughout; *at ~*, at the beginning; ~ *day of June etc.*; || *the F~* (of September, when partridge-shooting begins) (Commerc.) ~ *of exchange*, ~ offset of bills of even tenor & date; place in ~ class in examination, person who takes this; ~ place in race, winner of it; (pl.) best quality of flour, butter, etc. 4. adv. Before anyone or anything else (often ~ *of all*, ~ & *foremost*; ~ *come ~ served*; ~ & *last*, taking one thing with another, on the whole; ~ or *last*, sooner or later); before some specified or implied event, time, etc. (*must get this done ~*); in preference, rather, (*will see him damned ~*); for the ~ *time* (when did you see him ~). (com. Teut.; OE *first* cf. G *first* prince, superl.

1. st. of FOR, cf. (with different superl. suf.) FORMER]

first'ling, n. (usu. pl.). First result of anything, first-fruits; first offspring, first born of season. [-LING¹]

first'ly, adv. In the first place, first, (only in enumerating topics; & many writers still prefer *first*). [-LY¹]

fifth, *frith*, n. Arm of sea; estuary. [Sc. wd prob. f. ON = *fjord*]

fisc, *fisk*, n. Treasury of ancient Rome, Roman emperor's privy-purse; (rare) State treasury, exchequer. [f. L *fiscus*]

fis'cal, a. & n. 1. Of public revenue. 2. n. Legal official in some foreign countries; (Sc.) = PROCURATOR ~. Hence ~ *LY*¹ adv. [F, f. LL *fiscalis* (prec., -AL)]

*fish*¹, n. (pl. often *fish*). 1. (Pop.) animal living in the water, (strictly) vertebrate cold-blooded animal having gills throughout life & limbs (if any) modified into fins, (*pretty kettle of ~*, confusion, muddle; ~ *out of water*, person out of his element; *drunk, dull, mute, as a ~*; *drink like a ~*, excessively; *feed the ~es*, be drowned, be sea-sick; *all 's ~ that comes to his net*, he takes all he can get; *there's as good ~ in the sea as ever came out of it*, no fear of scarcity; *FLAT, FLYING, GOLD, JELLY, SHELL*¹, *SUN, SWORD*, etc., ~); person who is angled for; (colloq.) person of specified kind (*cool, loose, queer*, etc., ~); the flesh of ~ (*~, flesh, & fowl*; *neither ~, flesh, nor good red herring*, thing of indefinite character; *other ~ to fry*, more important business to attend to); *the F~* or *F~es*, zodiac constellation. 2. ~ *carver*, knife for serving ~; ~ *globe*, for keeping gold ~ etc. in; ~ *glue*, isinglass; ~ *hook*, used for catching ~, (Naut.) part of anchoring tackle; ~ *kettle*, oval pan for boiling ~; ~ *knife*, of silver etc. for eating ~; ~ *pond*, in which ~ are kept, (joc.) the sea; ~ *pot*, wicker trap for eels, lobsters, etc.; ~ *slice*, carving-knife for ~, cook's implement for turning or taking out ~; ~ *sound*, ~'s swimming-bladder; ~ *tail*, shaped like ~'s tail (of jet of gas, whence ~ *tail burner*), ~ *tail wind* in rifle shooting, one blowing down range & varying in direction; ~ *torpedo*, torpedo shaped like ~ & with automatic propulsion; ~ *wife*, woman selling ~. Hence ~ *LET*, || ~ *MONGER*, nn. [com. Teut.; OE *fisc* cf. G *fisch*, cogn. w. L *piscis*]

*fish*², v. i. & t. Try to catch fish (~ *in troubled waters*, make one's profit out of disturbances), whence ~ *KRY* (2, 3) n.; search for something in or under water; seek by indirect means for (secrets, compliments, etc.), whence ~ *ING*¹ a.; (rare) try to catch (fish) or get (coral etc.) from below water; draw out of water, pocket, etc., draw out; (Naut.) ~ *the anchor*, draw flukes up to gunwale; try to catch fish in (pool etc.); ~ *out*, exhaust the fish in), whence ~ *ABLE* a.; get (fact, opinion,

secret) *out*; ~ing-rod, long tapering usu. jointed rod to which ~ing-line is attached. [OE *fiscian* cf. G *fischen* & see *prec.*]

fish¹, n., & v.t. 1. (Naut.) piece of wood, convex & concave, used to strengthen mast etc.; flat plate of iron, wood, etc., strengthening beam or joint (so ~plate, one of two holding rails together). 2. v.t. Mend or strengthen (spar etc.), join (rails) with ~. [perh. = *FISH*¹ or foll.]

fish², n. Piece of ivory etc. used as counter in games. [f. F *fische* in same sense, also = peg (*fischer fix* perh. ult. f. L *fiscere*)]

fish³, n. Fisherman (arch.); ~ of men, evangelist, see *Matt.* iv. 19; fishing animal; ~man, man who lives by fishing, (rare) angler, fishing-boat. [OE *fiscere* (*FISH*¹, *ER*)]

|| **fish**⁴, n. (obs. sl.). Currency note, esp. for £1. [f. signature of Permanent Sec. to Treasury]

fish⁵, a. Abounding in fish; like fish's (~y eye, dull, vacant-looking); smelling or tasting like fish; consisting of fish (a ~y repast); (sl.) of dubious character, questionable. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-y²]

fisk. See *FISCO*.

fissi-, **fisso**-, comb. forms of L *fissus* see *FISSURE*, as *fissidac'tyl* with digits divided, *fissip'arous* reproducing by fission.

fiss¹le, a. Cleavable, tending to split. Hence **fissil**¹ry n. [f. L *fissilis* (*FISSURE*, -il)]

fission (-shn), n. (biol.). Division of cell etc. into new cells etc. as mode of reproduction. [f. L *fissio* (foll., -ion)]

fissure (-sher), n., & v.t. 1. Cleft made by splitting or separation of parts; (Bot., Anat.) narrow opening in organ etc., esp. depression between convolutions of brain; cleavage; (vb) split (t. & i.). [F, f. L *fissura* (*fendere fias*-cleave, -ure)]

fit, n., & v.t. 1. Clenched hand, esp. as used in boxing (~law, the right of the strongest); (joc.) hand (*give us your ~*, shake hands), handwriting (*writes a good ~*; *I know his ~*). 2. v.t. Strike with ~; (Naut.) handle (sail, oar, etc.). Hence ~ED² a. [OE *fist* cf. G *faust*]

fit¹(ic)al, aa. (joc.). Pugilistic. [-ICAL]

fit²icuffs, n. pl. Fighting with the fists. [*FIST* + *CUFF*; cf. *handwork*]

fit³tul/a, n. Long pipe-like ulcer with narrow mouth; natural pipe or spout in whales, insects, etc. Hence ~AR¹, ~OUS, aa. [earlier *fustel*, *fistle*, etc., f. L *fibula* pipe, flute]

fit⁴, fytte, n. (arch.). Section of a poem. [OE *fit* cf. OHG *fisa* list of cloth]

fit⁵, n. Paroxysm of periodic ailment, sudden transitory attack of some illness; sudden seizure, with loss of consciousness or convulsions, of hysteria, apoplexy, fainting, paralysis, or epilepsy (*give one a ~*, surprise or outrage him; *beat one into, give one a ~*, defeat him easily). sudden transitory state (a ~ of energy,

idleness, devotion, indifference, etc., whence ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., ~fulness n.; by ~s (& starts), spasmodically; caprice, mood, (*when the ~ was on him*). [OE *fist*, perh. = *prec.*]

fit⁶, a. (-tt-). Well adapted or suited (for some purpose or status or to do or be; SURVIVAL of the ~test); good enough for (a dinner ~ for a king); becoming, proper, right, (*it is ~ that*; see or think ~ to, decide to); qualified, competent, worthy, to do (*not ~ to hold a candle to*); in suitable condition, ready, to do or for (also vulg. as adv., *crying ~ to burst himself*); angry, troubled, or exhausted enough to do something violent, sink to the ground, etc.); in good athletic condition or health (~ as a FIDDLE). Hence ~LY² adv. [from 1440; etym. dub.]

fit⁷, v.t. & i. (-tt-), & n. 1. Be in harmony with, become, befit; be of right measure, shape, & size for (esp. of dress; often abs., as the CAP¹ ~s); fill up, exactly correspond to, (receptacle, fellow, etc., or abs.; often in, into, in with), make to do this; make suitable, adapt, for, to with n. or inf.; make competent for or to; ~ on, try on (garment); supply, furnish, (ship etc., rarely person) with; ~ out, up, equip; hence ~t'ER¹ n., esp.: (Tailoring and Dressmaking) one who supervises cutting, ~ting, altering, etc., of garments; mechanic who ~s (up) all kinds of metalwork. 2. n. Adaptation, adjustment, style in which garment ~s (a tight, bad, excellent, ~); ~out, equipment. [from 16th c., prob. f. *prec.*]

fit⁸, n. (Brush made of) polecat's hair. [f. MDu. *fisse* polecat]

fit⁹ch'ew (-ō), n. Foulart, polecat. [f. OF *fissel* dim. of MDu. *fisse* (*prec.*)]

fit¹⁰ment, n. Piece of furniture. [*FIT*⁴, -MENT]

fit¹¹ness, n. Being fit; moral worthiness; propriety (*the ~ of things, what is right or appropriate*). [-NESS]

fit¹²ting¹, n. In vbl senses; esp.: (usu. pl.) fixture(s), apparatus, furniture; (Engin.) ~shop, place where parts are put together. [-ING¹]

fit¹³ting², a. In vbl senses; esp. becoming, proper, right, whence ~LY² adv. [-ING²]

fit¹⁴up, n. (Theatr. colloq.). Temporary or portable stage and stage-fittings; ~ (company), minor travelling theatrical troupe carrying makeshift scenery. [*FIT*⁴]

five, a. & n. One more than four, 5, V, (twenty~), ~&-twenty; ~ o'clock; *How old are you?—Five*; the number ~ (twice ~ is ten); set of ~ things; card, die, or domino with ~ pips; (also *five*¹ n.) hit at cricket for ~ runs, || £5 note; bunch of ~s, hand; (pl.) gloves, shoes, etc., of fifth size; (pl.) the ~per-cent; ~day week (having ~ working days); ~finger exercise, on piano for exercising all fingers, keeping them on same ~ notes all the

time; ~-*finger*, kinds of plant, also starfish; || ~-*kind* whip, urgent summons to attend in House of Parliament (now disused); ~-*o'clock tea*, light afternoon meal; ~-*penny* (also *pr. flip*), costing, rated at, *bd.*, (Guernsey etc.) half-franc; ~-*per-cent*, stock or shares paying 5%; ~-*year plan* (for the economic development of Russia in 5 years, inaugurated in 1928). Hence ~-*fold* (-*vt.*) a. & adv. [Aryan; OE *fif* cf. G *fünf*, Gk *penie*, L *quinque*]

five (-*vz*), n. Ball-game played with hands or bat in court with two, three, or four walls. [pl. of *five* used as sing.; significance unknown]

fix¹, v.t. & i. Make firm or stable, fasten, secure, implant (principles, memory, etc.) (*in, on, to, etc.*); direct steadily, set, (eyes, gaze, affection, attention) *on* or *upon*; (of object) attract & hold (attention, eyes, etc.); make (eyes, features), or become, rigid; deprive of, lose, volatility or fluidity, congeal (*t. & i.*); make (colour, photographic image) fast, whence ~-*xx*² (2) n.; single out (person) *with* one's eyes etc.; place definitely or permanently, station, establish; take up one's position; settle one's choice, decide, (*upon*); assign precise position of; refer (thing, person) to definite place or time; determine incidence of (liability etc.); settle, determine, specify, (price, date, place); arrest changes or development in (language, literature); * (freq. *up*) arrange, organize, prepare; ~-*ed focus* (Photog.), best position of lens for general snapshot work. [ult. f. L *fixus* p.p. of *figere* fix; perh. thr. obs. *fix* a., or F *fixer* or med. L *fixare*]

fix², n. Dilemma, position hard to escape from; finding position, position found, by bearings or astronomical observations (*radio* ~, position of aircraft, ship, etc., found by radio). [f. prec.]

fixa'tion, n. Fixing, being fixed; process of rendering solid, coagulation; process of combining a gas with a solid; (Psychanal.) arrested mental development. [f. med. L *fixatio* (*fixare* see *fix*¹, -*ATION*)]

fix'a'tive, a. & n. Tending to fix; (n.) substance used to fix colours or drawings. [-*ATIVE*]

fix'a'ture, n. Gummy preparation for fixing the hair. [as prec., -*URE*]

fixed (-*kst*), a. In vbl senses; esp. ~ *idea*, one tending to become a monomania; ~ *acid* or *oil*, one not evaporable without decomposition; ~ *point*, where policeman is permanently stationed; ~ *star*, one seeming to keep same relative position to others (opp. *planet*); ~ *CAPITAL*²; ~ *property*, land & houses. [-*ED*¹]

fix'e'dly, adv. In fixed manner; esp. (of looking) intently. [-*LY*¹]

fix'e'dness, n. Fixed state, immobility, permanence, steadfastness. [-*NESS*]

***fix'ings** (-*s*), n. pl. Apparatus, equipment; trimming of dress or dish, adjuncts. [-*ING*¹]

fix'ity, n. Fixed state; (Physics) property of enduring heat without being volatilized or losing weight; stability, permanence. [f. L *fixus* see *fix*¹ + -*ITY*]

fix'ture, n. Thing fixed or fastened in position; (Law; pl.) articles of a personal nature annexed to house or land; person or thing confined to or established in one place (chiefly in pred., as *seems to be a ~*); (Athlet. etc.) (date appointed for) meet, race, etc. [changed f. obs. *fixure* f. LL *fixura* (*figere* *fix*-, -*URE*)]

fix'gig (-*g*), n. & a. Giddy flirtatious young woman; kind of small firework, cracker; (adj.) flighty. [prob. f. *fixz* + *gig* (obs. = flighty girl)]

fixz, v.i., & n. (Make) hissing or spluttering sound, whence ~*y*² a.; champagne. [imit.]

fix'zle, v.i., & n. Hiss or splutter feebly (n., this sound); ~ *out*, come to lame conclusion; (n.) fiasco. [f. obs. *fixe* break wind + -*LE*(3)]

fläbb'ergast (-*gah*), v.t. Dumbfound, so astonish as to incapacitate. [from 1722; etym. dub.]

fläbb'y, a. Hanging down, flaccid, limp, (usu. of flesh); nerveless, feeble, (of language or character). Hence ~-*iness* n. [earlier *flappy* (FLAP, -*Y*)]

flabëll'ate, flabëll'iform, aa. (bot. & zool.). Fan-shaped. [f. L *flabellum* fan (*flare* blow) + -*ATE*¹, -*FORM*]

fläc'cid (-*ks*), a. Hanging loose or wrinkled, limp, flabby, (usu. of flesh); relaxed, drooping; wanting vigour, feeble. Hence fläccid'ity n. [f. F *flaccide* f. L *flaccidus* (*flaccus* flabby)]

fläg¹, n. Kinds of plant with bladed leaf growing on moist ground, esp. various species of Iris; ~-*s* or ~ *collect*, kind of coarse grass; long slender blade of a plant. Hence ~-*g'y*² (-*g*) a. [cf. Du. *flag*]

fläg², n., & v.t. (-*gg*-). (Also ~-*stone*) flat slab of rock for paving, (pl.) pavement made of these, also ~-*g'ing*³(6) (-*g*) n.; (vb) pave with ~-a. [earlier sense *sod*, cf. Icel. *flag* spot whence *sod* has been out, & FLAKE²]

fläg³, n. (Also ~-*feather*) quill-feather of bird's wing. [perh. f. obs. *flag* drooping f. OF *flac* f. L *flaccus* flabby]

fläg⁴, n., & v.t. (-*gg*-). 1. Piece of bunting or other stuff, usu. oblong or square, attached by one edge to staff or halyard & used as standard, ensign, or signal (*black* ~, pirate's ensign, also ~ hoisted outside prison to announce execution of criminal; *Black Flag*, irregular Chinese soldiers, orig. rebels in Tonquin; *white* ~, ~ of truce, ~ disclaiming hostile intention; *yellow* ~, displayed by ship with infectious disease on board, hospital ship, or ship in quarantine; ~ of *truce*,

white, indicating desire to parley; DIR¹ ~; lower or strike one's ~, take it down as salute or sign of surrender; (Naut.) ~ carried by ~ship as emblem of admiral's rank adfoat (*hoist, strike, one's ~, assume, relinquish, command*); tall of setter or Newfoundland dog; ~-boat, serving as mark in aquatic matches; || ~-captain, captain of ~ship; ~-day || (on which money is raised for a cause by sale to passers-by etc. of ~s to be worn as evidence of having given); ~-lieutenant, admiral's A.D.C.; || ~-list, roll of ~-officers, i.e. admirals, vice-admirals, or rear-admirals; ~-man, signaller at races etc. || ~-rank (of ~-officers); ~-ship, having admiral on board; ~-staff, pole on which ~ is hung; ~-station, where trains stop only if signalled; ~-wagging (sl.), signalling; ~-waver, agitator. 2. v.t. Place ~ on or over; mark out with ~s; inform (person), communicate (information, *that*), by ~-signals. [perh. imit. of flapping sound; in all mod. Teut. langg., earliest in E (15th c.)]

flag¹, v.i. (-gg-). Hang down, flap loosely; droop, fade, become limp; lag, lose vigour, grow languid; fall off in interest. [perh. as FLAG²]

flagell¹ant (also flāj¹), n. & a. (One) who scourges himself; given to flogging. [f. L *flagellare* (FLAGELLUM), -ANT]

flā'gellāte¹, v.t. Scourge. Hence or cogn. ~-TION, ~-ATOR², nn., ~-ATORY a. [as prec., -ATE²]

flagell¹um, n. (pl. ~a). (Bot.) runner, creeping shoot; (Zool., Biol.) lashlike appendage. Hence flā'gellate¹ [-ATE²], ~-FORM, aa. [L. = whip]

flāgeolēt¹ (-jol; also flāj¹), n. Small flute blown at end. [F, dim. of OF *fajol* etym. dub.]

flāgeolēt¹ (-jol; also -lā), n. Kind of kidney-bean. [F, = *fageolet* dim. of *fageol* f. L *fasciulus*]

flagi¹tious (-shus), a. Deeply criminal, atrocious, heinous, villainous. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). [f. L *flagitiosus* (*flagitium* crime, -OSUS²)]

flāg¹on, n. Large vessel usu. with handle, spout, & lid, to hold liquor for table; similar vessel for Eucharist; (Wine-trade) flattened globular glass bottle holding nearly two bottles. [ME *flakon* f. OF *flacon* (FLASK, -OON)]

flāg¹rant, a. Glaring, notorious, scandalous, (of offence or offender). Hence or cogn. flāg¹-RANTY n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *flagrare* blaze (Aryan *blieg-*), -ANT]

flail, n. Hand threshing-implement, wooden staff at end of which a short heavy stick hangs swinging. [OE *figel* cf. Du *vlepel*, G *figel*, prob. f. L FLAGELLUM]

flair, n. Selective instinct for what is excellent, paying, etc. [F (*flairer* to smell f. pop. L *flavare* = *flavore* see FLAVORANT)]

flāk, n. (German) anti-aircraft fire; ~-ship,

German anti-aircraft vessel. [abbr. of *Fliegerabwehrkanone*]

flāke¹, n. Rack for storing ostoake etc.; stage for drying fish etc. [perh. f. ON *flake* hurdle cf. L *plectere*, Gk *plekō*, weave]

flāke¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Light fleecy tuft, esp. of snow; portion of ignited matter thrown off; thin broad piece peeled off; natural division of fish's flesh; layer; carnation with striped petals; ~-white, pigment made from white-lead in ~s; hence flāk¹-Y² a. 2. vb. Fall like, sprinkle as with, snow; take, come, away or off in ~s. [perh. ult. f. Aryan *plag-* cf. Gk *plēgnumi* beat]

flām, n. Sham story, trick, deception. [?]

flām¹beau (-bō), n. (pl. ~s or ~x, pr. ~x). Torch, esp. of several thick waxed wicks. [F, f. *flambe* FLAME¹ (= med. L *flambellum*)]

flāmboy¹ant, a. & n. 1. Marked by wavy flame-like lines (of French 15th & 16th c. Archit.); floridly decorated; gorgeously coloured. 2. n. Kinds of flame-coloured flower. [F, part. of *flamboyer* (*flambe* FLAME¹)]

flāme¹, n. (Portion of) ignited gas (*the ~s*, fire, esp. as consuming); visible combustion (*in ~s; burst into ~ or ~s*); bright light, brilliant colouring; passion, esp. of love (*fan the ~, make it more intense*); (Joc.) sweetheart (*an old ~ of mine*); kinds of moth; ~-projector or ~-thrower, = FLAMMENWERFER. Hence ~LESS (-ml-) (poet.), flām¹-Y² a. [f. OF *flambe* f. L *flamma* (*flagrare* blaze or flare blow)]

flāme¹, v.i. & t. Emit flames, blaze, (often away, forth, out, up); (of passion) burst out; (of persons) break out, blaze up, into anger; shine, gleam, (~ up, blush violently); move like flame; send (signal) by fire; subject to action of flame (*sterilized by flaming*). [f. OF *flamber* as prec.]

flām¹en, n. (Rom. Ant.). A god's priest. [L]

flām¹ing, a. In vbl senses; esp.: very hot (*a ~ sun*); bright-coloured; exaggerated, over-laudatory, (*a ~ description*); ~-ontons, anti-aircraft projectile resembling a chain of fire-balls. [-ING²]

flāming¹ō (-ngg-), n. (pl. ~es). Large long-legged long-necked heavy-billed scarlet-feathered bird. [Port. (-engo) perh. f. Rom. *flama* flame + *-enc* = -ING²]

flāmm¹able, a. (Rare, & chiefly in non-~, for) INFLAMMABLE.

flāmm¹enwerfer (-vāfter), n. Machine spouting liquid fire in war. [G, = flame-thrower]

flān, n. Open tart containing fruit etc. [F]

flānerie (flāh'nre), **flāneur** (flāh'nē), nn. Idling, idler. [F]

flānge (-j), n., & v.t. 1. Projecting flat rim, collar, or rib. 2. v.t. Provide with ~ [perh. f. OF *flanche* FLANK]

flānk, n., & v.t. 1. Fleecy part of side between ribs & hip; side of building,

mountain, etc.; right or left side of army or body of troops (*in* ~, at the side; **TURN**¹ ~ of). 2. v.t. Guard or strengthen on the ~, menace ~ of, take in ~, enfilade, rake; be posted or situated at ~ of; march past ~ of. [*F* *flanc* etym. dub.]

flank'er, n. Fortification guarding or menacing flank; (Mil., usu. pl.) flank skirmisher(s); thing that flanks anything. [-ER¹]

flann'el, n. & a. 1. Open woollen stuff, usu. without nap (pl., kinds of this, ~ goods); (pl.) underclothing of ~, ~ bandages, garments esp. trousers of ~ for games, whence ~LEB³ (-ld) a.; piece of ~ used in washing person or cleaning floor, whence **flann'el** (-ll-) v.t.; hence ~ETTE² (2) n., ~LY² a. 2. adj. Made of ~. [perh. f. W *gulanen* (*guld*n wool)]

flap, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Strike with something broad, drive (files etc.) away or off; (of birds) strike (something) with flat of wing; swing or sway about, flutter, oscillate; move (t. & i. of wings) up & down; beat the wings. 2. n. Light blow with something broad; motion of wing etc.; broad hanging piece hinged or attached by one side only, e.g. trapdoor, pocket-cover, hat-brim, table-leaf, valve, fish's gill-cover, piece of skin left in amputations; open mushroom-top (cf. *button*). [imit.]

fläp'dō'die, n. Nonsense, bunkum. [f] **fläp'jäck**, n. Small cake of flour fried in groase; flat vanity case for face-powder. [FLAP + JACK¹]

fläpp'er n. Flat fly-killing instrument: bird-scaring clapper; young wild-duck or partridge; (sl.) girl in late teens; hinged or hanging piece, flap; broad fin; crustacean's tail; (sl.) hand; (w. ref. to Laputians) person, thing, that jogs one's memory or wits. [-ER¹]

fläre, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Cause to) bulge gradually upwards (of ship's sides); spread outwards gradually (as the sides of a ship, a woman's skirt, etc.); blaze with bright unsteady flame, glow as with flame, (often *about*, *away*, *out*; part., gaudy, over-conspicuous); ~ *up*, burst into sudden blaze or anger. 2. n. Dazzling irregular light, unshaded flame in open air; sudden outburst of flame; signal light used at sea; bright light used as signal; container of combustible material, dropped from aircraft to illuminate target area etc.; ~ *path*, area illuminated to enable aircraft to land or take off; ostentation; upward bulge in ship's sides; gradual widening (esp. of a skirt); ~ *up*, sudden breaking into flame, short brilliant popularity or display, burst of anger, uproarious merrymaking. [f]

fläsh¹, v.i. & t. Break suddenly into flame, give out flame or sparks, (~ *in the sun*, fall after showy start, like priming

of old guns); emit or reflect light, gleam; send, reflect, (something) like a flash or in flashes (*eyes* ~ *fire*, ~ *back defiance*); burst suddenly into view or perception (~ *ed upon me that* —); move swiftly; ~ *up* or *out*, show sudden passion; cause to gleam (~ *ed his sword*; *had a lantern* ~ *ed in my face*); send by telegraph (*news* was ~ *ed over England*); (Glass-making) spread out (t. & i.) into a sheet, cover (plain glass) with coloured film; (of water) rush along, rise & flow, fill or flood (stream etc.) with water; ~ *board*, for sending more water from mill-dam into mill-race; ~ *pipe*, extra pipe with line of holes for lighting high gas-lamp; ~ *ing-point*, temperature at which vapour from oil etc. may be ignited. [prob. imit. in sense *flood* etc. (the earliest)]

fläsh², n. Sudden transitory blaze (~ *in pan*, abortive effort; see prec.), time occupied by it, instant, (*in a* ~); ostentation; sudden short access of feeling (*a* ~ *of hope*); (Cinemat.) exposure of a scene, recapitulation of an earlier scene (also ~ *back*); preparation for colouring spirits; rush of water let down w/cir to take boat over shallows, contrivance for producing this; (Mil.) coloured patch of cloth as distinguishing emblem of division etc.; ~ *light*, used for signals & in lighthouses, also for photographing by night etc., (also) electric torch; ~ *point*, (now more usu. for **FLASH** 'ing-point. [f. prec.]

fläsh³, a. Gaudy, showy, counterfeited (~ *notes*, *money*); cant, slang; connected with thieves, tramps, etc. [f. prec.]

fläsh'ing, n. Strip of metal to obviate flooding or soaking at joint of roofing etc. [f]

fläsh'ily, a. Brilliant but shallow or transitory, cheaply attractive; showy, gaudy; given to display. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *INESS* n. [-Y²]

flask (-ah-), n. (Usu. *powder* ~) leather or metal case for carrying sportsman's supply of gunpowder; Italian narrow-necked wickered wine or oil bottle; traveller's pocket bottle of metal or (usu. leather-covered) glass for wine, spirit, etc. [cf. It. *flasco*, G *flasche*; perh. ult. f. L *vasculum* dim. of *vas* vessel]

fläsk'ët (-ah-), n. || Long shallow basket (arch.); || clothes-basket; small flask. [f. OF *flasket* (*flasque* **FLASK**, -ET¹)]

flät¹, n. Storey (now rare); suite of rooms on one floor as residence; *apartment. [OE *flet* floor, cogn. w. foll.]

flät², a. & adv., n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Horizontal, level; spread out, lying at full length, (*fell* ~; ~ *against the wall*; *with the* ~ *hand*); even, smooth, unbroken, without projection, (~ *tint*, uniform); with broad level surface & little depth; unqualified, plain, downright, (~ *denial*, *refusal*; ~ *nonsense*, *blasphemy*; *that's* ~, let there be no doubt about it); dull, life-

less, monotonous, (*fall* ~, prove a failure, not win applause; *market is, prices are,* ~, inactive, sluggish); slow-witted; dejected, without energy, (~ *beer*, that has lost its effervescence); (Mus.) below the true pitch (*B, D, etc.*, ~, a semitone lower than *B, D, etc.*; *sings* ~); ~ *aback* (emphat. for *ABACK* naut. & fig.); ~ *boat*, with ~ bottom for transport in shallow water; ~ *candlestick*, with broad base & short stem for carrying about; ~ *fish*, family including sole, turbot, plaice, etc.; ~ *foot(ed)*, (having) foot not normally arched; ~ *iron*, for ironing linen etc.; ~ *race*, over level ground (opp. hurdle-race or steeplechase); ~ *rate* (the same in all cases, not proportional etc.); hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n., ~ *TEN*² v.t. & i. (~ *ten out*, bring aircraft parallel with ground), ~ *TEN*²(2) a., ~ *WAYS*, ~ *WISE*, adv. 2. n. What is ~ (*on, from, the* ~, of drawings etc. as opposed to sculpture), ~ part of anything (*the* ~ of the hand, *with the* ~ of his sword); level ground, plain, low land, swamp; ~-bottomed boat; shallow basket; (Theatr.) section of scenery mounted on frame (*join the* ~s, transf., make a thing into a coherent whole, preserve appearance of a consistent attitude); (sl.) duffer, dupe; (Mus.) note lowered a semitone below natural pitch, sign indicating this lowering, *sharps & ~s*, black notes on piano. 3. v.t. Make ~ (chiefly in manufacturing processes; elsewhere ~ *ten*). [f. ON *flāt* etym. dub.]

flätt'er, v.t. Court, fawn upon; compliment unduly, overpraise; gratify vanity of, make feel honoured; inspire with (esp. unfounded) hope; please oneself with the belief (*that*); gratify (eye, ear, etc.); ~ *ing unction*, salve one administers to one's own conscience or self-esteem (*Hamlet* III. iv. 145); (of portrait, painter, etc.) exaggerate good looks of. Hence ~ *ER*¹, flätt'ERY(4, 5), nn., ~ *ingLY*² adv. [perh. irreg. f. OF *flater* (to smooth)]

flät'ülent, a. Generating gas in the alimentary canal; caused by, attended with, troubled with, accumulation of such gas; inflated, puffed up, windy, pretentious. Hence or cogn. ~ *ENCE*, ~ *ENOY*, nn., ~ *ently*² adv. [F (foll., -ULENT)]

flät'us, n. Wind in stomach or bowels. [L, vbl n. (*flare* blow)]

flaunt, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Wave (t. & i.) proudly; display oneself or one's finery; show off, parade, (*oneself*, finery, etc.); hence ~ *ingLY*² adv., ~ *Y*² a. 2. n. ~ *ing* motion. [f]

flaut'ist, n. Flute-player. [f. It. *flautista* (*flauto* FLUTE)]

flavēs'cent, a. Turning yellow, yellowish. [f. *flavescente* (*flavus* yellow, ~ *SCENT*)]

flav'in, n. Surgical antiseptic, & yellow dye, got from dyer's oak. [L *flavus* yellow, ~ *IN*]

flāv'our (-*ver*), n., & v.t. 1. Aroma, mingled sensation of smell & taste, distinctive taste; undefinable characteristic quality; hence flāv'orous, ~ *LESS*, ~ *SOME*, (-*ver*), aa. 2. v.t. Give ~ to, season; hence ~ *INE*¹(3) (-*ver*) n. [prob. f. OF *flaur*, *flaur*, small, perh. f. L *fragrans* be FRAGRANT]

flaw¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Crack, breach, rent; imperfection, blemish; (Law) invalidating defect in document, procedure, evidence, etc.; hence ~ *LESS* a., ~ *LESSLY*² adv., ~ *LESSNESS* n. 2. vb. Crack (t. & i.), damage, mar. [perh. f. ON *flaga* slab of FLAKE²]

flaw², n. Squall of wind; short storm. [cf. Du. *vlaag*, Sw. *flaga*; perh. cogn. w. FLAY] || **flawn, n. (arch.). Kind of oustard. [f. OF *flaon* (now *flan*) f. med. L *fladonem* nom. o f. OHG *flado* flat cake]**

flax, n. Blue-flowered plant cultivated for its textile fibre & its seeds called linseed; (with qualifying word prefixed or suffixed) kinds of similar plant, as *dwarf*, *toad*, ~, ~ *lily*, ~ *dodder*; fibres of ~, dressed or undressed; cloth of ~, linen; ~ *seed*, linseed. [com.-WG; OE *flæx* cf. G *flachs*, perh. cogn. w. G *flechten*, L *plectere*, Gk *plekō*, weave]

flāx'en, a. Of flax; (of hair) coloured like dressed flax, pale yellowish-brown. [-*EN*¹]

flay, v.t. Strip off skin or hide of; (fig.) criticize severely; pillage, plunder, (person); peel off (skin, bark, peel); pare off (turf); || ~ *flint*, extortioner, miser. [com.-Teut.; OE *flēan* cf. MDu. *vlaen*, Gk *plēssō* strike, FLAKE², FLAW]

flea, n. Small wingless jumping insect feeding on human & other blood (*send one away with a ~ in his ear*, discomfited by a reproof or repulse); *sand* ~, *water* ~, small jumping crustaceans; = ~ *bootle*; small or contemptible creature; ~ *bag* (sl.), sleeping-bag; ~ *bane*, ~ *wort*, kinds of plant; ~ *beetle*, jumping beetle infesting hops; ~ *bite*, lit., & fig. slight inconvenience or expense, mere trifles, also small reddish spot in animal's colouration (~ *bitten*, sprinkled with these on lighter ground; also lit.); ~ *dock*, butterbur; ~ *louse*, jumping plant-louse. [com.-Teut.; OE *flēah* cf. G *floh*, prob. cogn. w. FLEE]

fleam, n. Lancet for bleeding horses. [f. OF *fieme* f. med. L *flebotomum* f. LL *flebotomum* f. Gk *phlebotomōn* see PHLEBOTOMY]

flèche (-āsh), n. Slender spire, esp. at intersection of nave & transept. [F, orig. = arrow]

fleck, n., & v.t. 1. Spot in the skin, freckle; patch of colour or light; small particle, speck; hence ~ *LESS* a. 2. v.t. Mark with ~s, dapple, variegate. [f. or cogn. w. ON *flekk* blow, spot, cf. G *fleck* spot & *flecken* to patch]

fleck'er, v.t. Dapple, variegate; scatter in patches. [prec. + -ER¹]

fled. See **FLY**.

fledge, v.t. Provide with feathers or plumage, wing for flight, deck with feathers or down. Hence ~LESS (-jɪ-) a. [f. obs. adj. *fledge* feathered cf. OE *unfligge* unfledged, cf. *G fligge*, cogn. w. **FLY**¹]

fledg(e)'ling (-jɪ-), n. Young bird; inexperienced person. [as prec. + -LING¹]

flee, v.i. & t. (*fled*; *fly*, *flying*, are now usu. substituted for ~, ~ing; *is fled*, see -ED¹(2), or *has fled*). Run away, seek safety in flight, (*from*, *before*); vanish, cease, pass away; run away from, leave abruptly; eschew, shun. [com.-Teut.; OE *fleon* cf. *G fliehen*, Goth. *flīuhan*]

fleece, n., & v.t. 1. Woolly covering of sheep or similar animal (*Golden F~*, Austrian & Spanish order of Knighthood); quantity of wool shorn from a sheep at once; rough, abundant, or woolly head of hair; thing like a ~, white cloud, falling snow, etc.; (Carding) thin sheet of cotton or wool fibre; hence (-)fleece² (-est), flee'cr¹, aa. 2. v.t. Shear (sheep; rare); strip of money, property, etc. (also of), whence ~ABLE a.; overspread as with ~ (*sky ~d with clouds*). [com.-WG; OE *fleas* cf. Du. *vlies*, *G flees*, perh. cogn. w. L *pluma* feather]

flee'r, v.i., & n. 1. Laugh impudently or mockingly, gibe, jeer, sneer. 2. n. Mocking look or speech. [cf. Norw. & Sw. dial. *flira* to grin]

fleet¹, n. Naval armament, number of warships under one command-in-chief (*the ~*, the navy); number of ships or boats sailing in company; group of aircraft; ~ of *cabs, taxis*, etc., those owned by one proprietor; || *F~ Air Arm*, aviation service of Royal Navy (now *Naval Aviation*). [OE *fleot* ship, shipping (*fleotan* FLEET¹)]

|| **fleet**², n. Creek, inlet; *The F~*, stream, now covered sewer, running into Thames E. of *F~ Street*, also the prison that stood near it (*F~ marriage*, performed by a *F~ person* or disreputable clergyman in & about the *F~* ready to marry clandestinely); *F~ Street*, (used for) the press, London journalism. [OE *fleot* cf. Du. *vliet*, *G fliess*, cogn. w. FLEET¹]

fleet³, a. (poet. or literary). Swift, nimble. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [cf. ON *flidr*, cogn. w. FLEET¹]

|| **fleet**⁴, a. & adv. Shallow (of water); at or to no great depth (*plough or sow ~*). [cf. Du. *vloed*, cogn. w. foll.]

fleet⁵, v.i. Glide away, vanish, be transitory; pass rapidly, slip away; move swiftly, fly. Hence ~ING¹ a., ~INGLY¹ adv. [earlier senses, *float, swim, flow*; com.-Teut.; OE *fleotan* cf. *G fliessen*, cogn. w. Gk *pleo* sail, L *pluere* rain]

Flem'ing, n. Inhabitant of Flanders. [f. M.Du. *Flēming* (*Flām*-, whence *Flanders*, + -ING²)]

Flēm'ish¹, a. & n. (Language) of Flanders; ~ BORD¹. [f. M.Du. *Vlaemisch* (prec., -ISH¹)]

flēm'ish², v.i. (Of hound) make quivering movement of tail & body while searching for trail, FEATHER². [f.]

flēnch, **flinch**¹, **flēnse**, v.t. Out up (whale); flay (seal). [f. Da. *fense*, cf. Norw. *flinsa* flay]

flēsh¹, n. 1. Soft substance between the skin & the bones, esp. the muscular part of animal bodies (~ & blood, the body or its material, mankind, human nature with its emotions & infirmities; as adj., actually living, not supernatural or imaginary; one's own ~ & blood, near relations, descendants; ~ & fell, the whole body; as adv., entirely; one ~, united as one personality, see Gen. ii. 24; proud ~, overgrowth of granulations springing on wound; make his ~ creep, frighten or horrify him esp. with dread of the supernatural). 2. Pulpy substance of fruit or plant. 3. Plumpness, fat, (*lose, put on, ~*, grow thin, fat); *in ~*, fat. 4. Tissue of animal bodies (excluding fish & sometimes fowls) as food, meat, ~feeding, ~eater, etc.; neither FISH¹, ~, nor etc.). 5. Visible surface of human body (~colour, ~ed, yellowish pink); = ~ & blood above (*all ~*, whatever has bodily life; *in the ~*, in bodily form, in life; *after the ~*, corporeally). 6. The sensual appetites (*sins of the ~*, unchastity). 7. ~brush, ~glove, for stimulating circulation by rubbing; ~fly, depositing eggs or larvae in dead ~; ~pots (w. ref. to Exod. xvi. 3), high living; ~side or ~, side of a hide that adjoined the ~; ~tints, esp. painter's rendering of ~colour; ~tights, fleshings; ~wound, one not reaching bone or vital organ. Hence ~LESS a. [com.-WG & Scand.; OE *flesc* cf. *G fleisch*, Da. *flesk* pork]

flēsh², v.t. Incite (hound etc.) by taste of blood; initiate in bloodshed; inflame by foretaste of success; use sword etc. for first time on flesh (or fig. *pen, wit*, etc.). [f. prec.]

|| **flēsh'er**, n. (So.). Butcher. [f. **FLASH** + -ER¹]

flēsh'ings (-z), n. pl. Close flesh-coloured garment usu. of silk worn on stage etc. to represent natural skin. [FLASH², -ING¹]

flēsh'l'y, a. Carnal, lascivious, sensual, (esp. of appetites etc., rarely of persons); mortal, material, not divine or spiritual; worldly. Hence ~INESS n. [OE *flesclic* (FLASH², -LIKE)]

flēsh'y, a. Plump, fat; of flesh, without bone; (of plant or fruit tissue) pulpy; like flesh. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

fleur-de-lis (*flē'dels'*; pl. *fleurs* -pr. as sing.), **flower-de-luce** (arch. & U.S.), n. Iris flower; heraldic lily; (sing. or pl.) royal arms of France, French royal family, France. [F (first form), = lily flower (*lis* lily); the arch. E form is corrupt. of F]

fleur'et (-oor), n. Ornament like small flower. [f. *F fleuriette* (*fleur* FLOWER, -ETTE)]

fleuroun (flé'rauh'), n. Flower-shaped ornament in architecture or printing, on coins, etc. [F]

fleur'y (-oor), **flor'y**, a. (her.). Decorated with fleurs-de-lis. [f. *F fleuré*, OF *floré* (*fleur* FLOWER, -Y²)]

flew. See **FLY**¹.

flews (-z), n. pl. Hanging lips of blood-hound etc. [?]

fléx¹, v.t. Bend (in scientific use of bending limb etc. by flexor, or in Geol. of distorted strata). [f. *L flectere* *fléx*-]

fléx¹, n. Flexible insulated wire used in electric lighting. [abbr. of foll.]

fléx¹ible, a. That will bend without breaking, pliable, pliant; easily led, manageable; adaptable, versatile; supple, complaisant. Hence or cogn. ~**HL'ITY** n., ~**ily**¹ adv. [F, f. *L flexibilis* (**FLEX**¹, -IBLE)]

fléx¹ile, a. Supple, mobile; tractable; versatile. Hence **fléxil'ITY** n. [f. *L flexilis* (**FLEX**¹, -IL)]

fléx¹ion (-kshn), n. Bending, curvature, bent state, (esp. of limb or joint); bent part, curve; (Gram.)=inflection, whence ~**AL**, ~**LESS**, (-kshon-), aa.; (Math.)=flexure. [f. *L flexio* (**FLEX**¹, -ION)]

fléx¹or, n. (Also ~*muscle*, *tendon*) muscle that bends a part (opp. **EXTENSOR**). [**FLEX**¹, -OR¹]

fléx¹uose, a. (bot.). Serpentine, undulating. Hence **fléxuose**'o- comb. form. [f. *L flexuosus* (*flexus* -us a bend see **FLEX**¹, -OSE¹)]

fléx¹uous, a. Full of bends, winding. Hence or cogn. **fléxuose**'ITY (-ôs) n., ~**ly**¹ adv. [as prec., -OUS]

fléx¹ure (-ksher), n. Bending, curvature, bent state; bend, curve, turn; (Math.) curving of line or surface or, in theory of elasticity, of surface or solid (~ of a curve, its bending to or from a straight line); (Geol.) bending of strata under pressure. [f. *L flexura* (**FLEX**¹, -URE)]

flibb'ertiglibb'et, n. Gossiping, flighty, frivolous, or restless person. [imit. of chatter]

flick, n., & v.t. 1. Light sharp blow with whiplash etc. shot out and withdrawn, or with finger-nail; sudden movement, jerk; slight sharp crackling sound. 2. v.t. Strike with a ~; dash or jerk (dust etc.) away, off; give a ~ with (whip, towel, etc.). [imit.]

flick'er, v.i., & n. 1. Quiver, vibrate, wave to and fro, blow lightly & unsteadily, (of flags, leaves, serpents' tongues, wind, etc.); (of flame etc., & fig. of hope etc.) flash and die away by turns; hence ~**ingly**¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing movement or light. [OE *fliocorm* imit.]

flier. See **FLYER**.

flight¹ (-th), n., & v.t. 1. Act or manner of flying through air (take one's of a, wing

one's, ~, fly), pursuit of game by hawk; migration, migrating body, flock, of birds or insects; swift movement of projectiles etc.; (of time) swift passage; soaring, excursion, rally, (of wit, fancy, ambition, etc.); distance that bird, aircraft, or missile, can fly; series (of stairs etc. mounting without change of direction, or of hurdles or rails for racing over); volley (of arrows etc.); in the first ~, taking a leading place; oat-chaff; R.A.F. unit consisting of a few machines; ~**deck**, for taking-off from, and landing on, an aircraft-carrier; ~**feather**, **muscle**, used in flying; ~**lieutenant**, ~**sergeant**, see **AIR**¹ **Force**. 2. v.t. Shoot (wildfowl; also abs.) in ~; vary trajectory and pace of (cricket-ball etc.). [OE *flyht* (OTeut. *flugan* **FLY**²)]

flight¹ (-th), n. Running away, hasty retreat, absconding, (take, take to, betake oneself to, ~, run away; put to ~, rout). [ME *flucht* (OTeut. *fliehan* **FLEE**)]

flight¹y (-it-), a. Guided by whim or fancy, fickle; half-witted, crazy. Hence ~**ily**¹ adv., ~**iness** n. [**FLIGHT**¹ + -Y¹]

flim'flam, n. Trifle, nonsense, idle talk; piece of humbug, deception. [?]

flim'sy (-z), a. & n. 1. Easily destroyed, frail, slightly puttogether; paltry, trivial; frivolous, superficial; hence ~**ily**¹ adv., ~**iness** n. 2. n. Banknote(s) (al.); thin paper, reporter's copy. [from 18th c.; prob. imit.]

flinch¹ (for *flinch*¹ see **FLENCHE**), v.i. Give way, draw back, (from duty, course, etc.); wince. [f. OF *flenchir* etym. dub.]

flin'ders (-z), n. pl. Fragments, splinters, (break, fly, in ~). [cf. Norw. *flindra*, Du. *flenter*]

fling, v.i. & t. (*flang*), & n. 1. Rush, go angrily or violently (~ out of the room; flung away in a rage); (of horse etc.) kick and plunge (often out), (of person; usu. out) break into invective; throw, hurl, (often about, aside, away, by, out, up, at; rejected thing, missile, flotsam, dice); throw oneself into person's arms, a boat, etc., on person's compassion etc., or into an enterprise (i.e. take it up with all one's might); suddenly spread out (arms), kick up (heels); cast (one's eyes) carelessly (upon); send, emit, (sound, smell, light); put (person) suddenly or violently into prison; launch (troops etc.) on enemy or against fortress or enemy; (of wrestler or ridden horse) throw to the ground; ~ (fact etc.) in one's teeth, reproach him with it; ~ (door etc.) open or to, open or shut violently. 2. n. Throw, cast, (have a ~ at, make an attempt at, jeer at); impetuous dance (esp. Highland ~); violent movement, plunge; spell of indulgence in impulse (have one's ~). [cf. ON *flengja*]

flint, a. Hard stone of nearly pure silica found in pebbly lumps steel-grey within & encrusted with white; anything hard

and unyielding; piece of ~ used with steel to produce fire (~ & steel) esp. in ~lock gun; piece of an alloy of rare-earth metals used in automatic petrol lighters as the spark-producing element; pebble of ~ (*spring water from a ~*, work miracles; *skin a ~*, be miserly or avaricious; *set one's face like a ~*, be determined); ~glass, pure lustrous kind orig. made with ~; ~lock, (lock of) gun discharged by spark from ~. Hence *flin* 'tr' a., *flin* 'ti-wiss n. [OE, cf. Da. *flint*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *plinthos* brick]

flip¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Put (pellet, coin) in motion with a flip; flip (person's ear, cheek, etc.), strike lightly; make a flip with fingers; move (fan, whip, fishing-fly) about with sudden jerk(s); strike smartly at with whip etc. 2. n. Smart light blow, flip, flick; (colloq.) a (short) flight in an aeroplane. [imit.]

flip², n. Beer and spirit mixed, sweetened, & heated with hot iron; egg ~. [perh. f. prec. in sense *whip up*]

flip³-flop, n. Kind of somersault; kind of fireworks, cracker; (in places of amusement) machine with passenger cars hung at ends of long moving arms. [imit.]

flipp¹ant, a. Lacking in gravity, treating serious things lightly, disrespectful. Hence *flipp*¹ancy n., ~ly¹ adv. [from 1605, orig. = nimble, voluble, perh. f. *FLIP*¹, -ANT]

flipp²er, n. Limb used to swim with, as in turtle & penguin; (sl.) hand. [*FLIP*¹ + -ER¹]

flipp³erty-flöpp³erty, a. Loose, dangling. **flit**¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Flip, send with a jerk; wave or move briskly (fan, bird's tail); play at courtship (*with*), pretend to make love, whence ~A¹TION n., ~A¹tious (-shus) a. 2. n. Sudden jerk, quick motion quickly checked; man who pays, or usu. woman who invites or accepts, attentions merely for amusement, whence ~ISH¹, ~Y¹, aa. [imit.]

flit², v.i. (-tt-), & n. 1. Migrate, be gone, depart; change one's abode, move; pass lightly, softly, or rapidly (often *about*, *by*, *to & fro*); fly lightly, make short flights, (of birds & esp. bats). 2. n. Change of abode. [f. ON *flytja* cogn. w. FLEET³]

flitch¹, n., & v.t. 1. Side of hog salted and cured (~ of *Dunmow*, there given yearly to any couple proving conjugal harmony for year and day); square of blubber; steak of halibut; ~ slice (usu. outside one) of timber from tree-trunk; ~beam (compound, esp. of iron plate between two sides of wood). 2. v.t. Cut (log or halibut) into ~es. [OE *flisce* cf. MLG *fliske*]

flitt¹er, v.i. Flit about, flutter; ~mouse, bat. [*FLIT* + -ER¹]

***fliv**¹er, n. (sl.). Cheap motor-car. [!]

fliz¹, n. Kinds of fur; beaver's down. [!]
float¹, n. [floating (rare; on the ~, afloat); mass of floating weeds, ice, etc.; raft; cork

or quill used on fishing-line as indicator; cork supporting edge of fishing-net; inflated part supporting fish etc.; hollow ball regulating cistern tap; [French night-light; (Theatr.; sing. or pl.) foot-lights; (also ~board) one of the boards of water-wheel or paddle-wheel; kind of low-bodied cart; platform on wheels with show used in processions; tool for smoothing plaster (~stone, for smoothing curved bricks, & cf. foll.); single-cut file; passing of weft-threads over part of warp without being interwoven, thread so passed; ~bridge, of rafts; ~grass, kinds of sedge. [mixture of OE *flot* floating, OE *flota* ship, fleet, FLOAT³, & F *flotte*] **float**², v.i. & t. Rest on surface of liquid; (of stranded ship) get afloat; move with moving liquid, drift; be suspended freely in liquid; move or be suspended in air as if buoyed up; hover before eye or mind; (Commerc., of acceptance) be in circulation, awaiting maturity; (Commerc.) bring (company, scheme) into favour, launch, (of scheme etc.) be launched; cover with liquid, inundate; (of water etc.) support, bear along, (buoyant object); set afloat; circulate (rumour); waft through air; ~stone, kinds of light stone that ~ (& see prec.). [OE *flotan* cf. ON *flota*, cogn. w. FLEET³]

float³able, a. Capable of floating; (of stream) in which rafts etc. can float. [-ABLE]

float⁴age, n. Floating; [right of appropriating] flotsam; ships etc. afloat on river; floating masses; buoyancy; part of ship above water-line. [-AGE]

float⁵ation, float⁵, n. Floating (centre of ~, of gravity in floating body); starting of company or enterprise. [*float* is attempt to disguise hybrid formation; FLOAT³, -ATION]

float⁶er, n. In vbl senses; esp. (St. Exch.) government stock certificate, railway bond, etc., recognized as security. [-ER¹]

float⁷ing, a. In vbl senses; esp. (Commerc., of cargo) at sea (~ trade, rates, etc., concerned with cargoes at sea); ~ CAPITAL³, DEBT, RISE; fluctuating, variable, (the ~ population); ~ anchor = DRAG²-anchor; ~ DOCK⁴; ~ bridge, kinds of bridge & ferry, also part of bridge that can be swung away on pontoon; ~ kidney, abnormal condition in which the kidneys are movable; ~ light, lightsail, lifebuoy with lantern. [-ING¹]

[floccl-nauci-nihili-pili-ficā'tion (-ōks-), n. Estimating as worthless (~ the ~ of wealth). [four L wds = at little or nothing + -IGATION]

floc¹cōse, a. (bot.). Tufted. [f. LL *floccosus* (L *floccus* FLOCK¹, -OSE¹)]

floc²ule, n. Small portion of matter like flock of wool. [f. FLOCCULUS]

floc³ulent, -lōse, -lous, aa. Like tufts of wool; in, showing, tufted. Hence **floc**⁴ulances n. [foll., -ULENT, -OSE¹, -OUS]

flocculus, n. (pl. -i). — FLOCCULE; (Anat.) small lobe in under surface of cerebellum. [mod. L, dim. of foll.]

floccus, n. (pl. -i, pr. -ōks). Tuft of woolly hairs or filaments. [L, = foll.]

flock¹, n. Lock, tuft, of wool, cotton, etc.; (pl.) material for quilting & stuffing made of wool-refuse or torn-up cloth; (pl. or collect. sing.) powdered wool or cloth for making ~-paper; (Chem.; pl.) light loose masses precipitated; ~-bed, stuffed with ~s; ~-paper, wall-paper sized & then powdered with ~ either all over or in patterns. Hence ~² a. [prob. f. OF *floc* f. L *floccus*]

flock², n., & v.t. 1. Large number of people (chiefly in such phr. as *come in ~s*); number of animals of one kind, esp. birds, feeding or travelling together; number of domestic animals, usu. sheep, goats, or geese, kept together (~s & herds, sheep & cattle); the Christian body; a congregation esp. in relation to its pastor; family of children, number of pupils, etc.; ~-master, sheep-farmer. 2. v.t. Congregate, go in great numbers, troop, (often about, after, into, to, in, out, together). [OE *floc* cf. ON *flokkr* perh. cogn. w. FOLK]

floe, n. Sheet of floating ice. [perh. f. Norse *flo* layer]

flog, v.t. (-gg-). Beat with birch, whip, cat, etc., whence ~g'ING¹(1) (-g-) n.; drive (learning, laziness, etc.) into or out of person; urge (horse etc.) on with whip (~ dead horse, waste energy); (sl.) defeat, excel; cast fishing-line repeatedly over (stream). [perh. limit., or school sl. f. L *flagellare* to whip]

|| **fiong**, n. Prepared paper for stereotyping. [f. F *flan* FLAWN]

flood (flūd), n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Also ~-tide) inflow of tide (opp. EBB); (poet.) river, stream, sea (~ & field, sea & land); irruption of water over land, inundation, (the F~, Noah's F~, that in Genesis), whence ~DM'ETER n.; outpouring of water, torrent, downpour, (~s of rain, a ~ of tears or words); ~gate, opened & closed to admit or exclude water, esp. lower gate of lock, also sluice; ~-light, copious artificial light projected from many directions, eliminating all shadows in surface illuminated (so ~-lighting, ~-lit). 2. vb. Inundate, cover with a ~ (also fig., was ~ed with letters); irrigate; deluge (burning house, mine) with water; (of rain) fill (river) to overflowing; come in great quantities (usu. in); have uterine haemorrhage. [com.-Teut.; OE *flōd* cf. G *flud*, Du. *vloed*, cogn. w. FLOW]

floor (-ōr), n., & v.t. 1. Lower surface of room, (also ~ing) boards etc. of which it is made; bottom of sea, cave, etc.; part of House of Parliament where members sit and speak (*take the ~*, esp. U.S., speak in debate); set of rooms etc. on same level in house (|| ground ~, on ground level, first

~, || above this), storey; level area; ~-lamp, mounted on metal etc. pillar standing on ~; ~-cloth, substitute for carpet; hence ~-less (-ōl-) a. 2. vb. Furnish with ~, pave; serve as ~ of; bring to the ~ or ground, knock down; confound, nonplus; || (at school) tell (boy) to sit down as not knowing lesson; overcome, get the better of, (~ the paper, answer every question in it). [OE *flōr* cf. Du. *vloer*, G *flur*]

floor er (-ōr), n. Knock-down blow; disconcerting news or argument; paper or question hard to answer. [-ER¹]

flōp, v.t. & t. (-pp-), n. Int., & adv. 1. Sway (intr.) about heavily; walk etc. in ungainly way; sit, kneel, lie, down awkwardly; throw down negligently or noisily; make dull sound of soft body falling or of flat thing slapping water; (sl., of book, play, etc.) fail, collapse; hence ~p'Y² a. 2. n. ~ping motion, sound made by it; (sl.) failure (of book, play, etc.). 3. int. & adv. With a ~, [-FLAP]

flōr'a, n. (pl. -ae, -as). (List of) plants of particular region or epoch (cf. FAUNA). [L goddess of flowers (*flos* -oris flower), used in L titles of bot. bks]

flōr'al, a. Of flora(s) (~ zone, tract of earth with special vegetable characteristics); of flower(s). [f. L *floralis* of Flora (prec.)]

Flō'rentine, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Florence in Tuscany (~ iris, white or pale blue one); kind of twilled silk. [f. L *Florentinus* (*Florentia* Florence, -IN²)]

flōrēs'cence, n. Flowering time or state. [f. L *florescere* (*flōrēre* bloom, -ESCENT, -ENCE)]

flōr'ēt, n. (Bot.) one of small flowers making up a composite flower (~ of the disk, the ray, of the flower's centre or circumference); small flower, floweret. [f. OF *florde* (FLOWER, -ETTE)]

flōr'iāte, v.t. Decorate with flower-designs etc. [as foll., -ATE¹]

flōr'iculture, n. Cultivation of flowers. Hence flōr'icul'tural a., flōr'icul'turist (3) n., (-cher). [f. L *flos* -oris flower + CULTURE]

flō'rid, a. Profusely adorned as with flowers, elaborately ornate, (of literary, artistic, or musical style); ostentatious, showy; ruddy, flushed, high-coloured. Hence flōrid'ITY, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *floridus* (*flos* FLOWER)]

Flō'rida, n. State in U.S. (~ water, a perfume; ~ wood, kind used for inlaying).

flōrif'erous, a. (Of seeds or plants) producing many flowers. [f. L *florifer* (*flos* FLOWER, -FEROUS)]

flōr'us'gium, n. (pl. -ia). Anthology. [transl. into mod. L (L *flos* FLOWER, *legere* gather) of Gk *anthologion* ANTHOLOGY]

flō'rin, a. Foreign coin of gold or silver current at different times; (Hist.) English gold coin (6/8) of Edw. III.; || current English coin (2/-). [F, 2. It. *florino* dym.

of *flors* f. L *florem* nom. *flor* FLOWER (stamped with lily)

flōr'ist (also flōs'), n. One who deals in, raises, or studies flowers. [L *flor-oris* flower, -IST]

flōr'uit (-ōt-), n. Period (falling exact birth and death dates) at which a person was alive. [L, = he flourished]

flōry. See FLEURY.

flōs'cūlar, -lous, aa. Having florets, composite-flowered. [f. L *flosculus* (FLOWER, -CULE)]

flōss, n. Rough silk enveloping silk-worm's cocoon (~ *silk*, this used in cheap silk goods). Hence ~r' a. [perh. f. OF *flosche* down]

flotation. See FLOATATION.

flōtill'a, n. Small fleet; fleet of boats or small ships. [Sp., dim. of *flota* fleet]

flōt'sam, n. Wreckage found floating (cf. JETSAM); oyster-spawn. [AF *floteson* (OF *floter*=FLOAT¹, -SON)]

flounce¹, v.i., & n. 1. Go with agitated or violent motion, flop, plunge, throw the body about, (*away, out, about, down, up*). 2. n. Fling, jerk, of body or limb. [cf. Norw. *flumsa* hurry (found later)]

flounce², n., & v.t. 1. Strip gathered & sewn by upper edge round woman's skirt, & with lower edge hanging, as ornament. 2. v.t. Trim with ~s. [earlier *frounce* f. OF *fronce, francir*, wrinkle, perh. f. L *frons* -tis brow]

floun'der¹, n. A small flat-fish. [prob. f. OF *flondre* cf. Norw. *flundra*, Da. *fynder*]

floun'der², v.i., & n. 1. Struggle & plunge (as) in mud or wading; make mistakes, manage business badly or with difficulty. 2. n. Piece of ~ing, staggering attempts to get on. [cf. Du. *flodderen*]

flour (-owr), n., & v.t. 1. Finer part of meal obtained by bolting; wheat meal; fine soft powder; ~box, tin box for dredging ~; hence ~r' (-owr-) a. 2. v.t. Sprinkle with ~; *grind into ~. [form of FLOWER; orig. sense *finest part*]

flou'rish¹ (flū-), v.i. & t. Grow vigorously; thrive, prosper, be successful; be in one's prime; spend one's life, be active, (*in, at, about, etc.*), a certain time (cf. FLOURISH); use flourishes in handwriting or literary work or speech; show ostentatiously; wave (weapon) about; throw (limbs) about; prelude fancifully in music etc. [L OF *floris* (-iss²) f. L *florere* (flor FLOWER)]

flou'rish² (flū-), n. 1. Prosperity, vigour, (rare; *in full* ~). 2. Ornament of flowing curves about letter or word in handwriting; rhetorical embellishment, florid expression; ostentatious waving of weapon, hand, etc. 3. (Mus.) fanfare of brass instruments, florid passage, extemporised addition or prelude; hence ~r' a. [f. prec.]

flōst, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Mock, insult, contempt for by word or act;

scoff at. 2. n. Mocking speech or action. [from 16th c.; perh. var. of FLOW¹ v.]

flow (-b), v.i., & n. 1. Glide along as a stream; (of blood) circulate; (of persons or things) come, go, in numbers; (of talk, literary style, etc.) move easily; (of garment, hair, etc.) hang easily, undulate; (Math.; of numbers) increase or diminish continuously by infinitesimal quantities; gush out, spring; (of blood) be split; result from; run full, be in flood (*ebb & ~; ~ing tide*, progressive tendency); (of wine) be poured out without stint; be plentifully supplied with (arch.; *land ~ing with milk & honey*). 2. n. ~ing movement in stream; amount that ~s; ~ing liquid; (of dress, figure, etc.) undulation; outpouring, stream, copious supply; rise of tide (*ebb & ~*); overflowing of Nile etc.; ~ of spirits, habitual cheerfulness; ~ of soul, genial conversation (as complement to FEAST of reason). [OE *flōwan*, cf. ON *flōa*; cogn. w. FLOOD; unconnected with L *fluere*]

flow'er (also flowr), n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Bot.) reproductive organ in plant containing one or more pistils or stamens or both, & usu. a corolla & calyx, (pop.) coloured (i.e. not green) part of plant from which fruit or seed is later developed, whence ~AGE(1) n.; (Old Chem.; pl.) powder left after sublimation (~s of sulphur etc.); scum formed by fermentation (~s of *tan*); a blossom apart from the plant (*No ~s*, intimation that wreaths etc. are not desired at funeral); ~ing plant, (pl.) ornamental phrases (usu. ~s of speech often iron.); the pick or choice of; the best part, essence; the choicest embodiment of; state of blooming (*in ~*), prime (*in the ~ of his age*); ~de-luce, see FLEUR-DE-LIS; ~girl, who sells ~s; ~piece, picture of ~s; ~pot, usu. of red earthenware holding soil in which plant may be set; ~show, competitive or other exhibition of ~s; hence (-)~ED² (-erd), ~LESS, aa., ~ET¹ n. 2. vb. Produce ~s, bloom or blossom, whence ~ING² a.; (Gardening) cause or allow (plant) to ~; embellish with worked ~s or floral design. [ME & OF *flour* f. L *florem* nom. *flor*, cogn. w. BLOW¹]

flow'erer, n. Plant that flowers at specified time etc. (*late, abundant, ~*). [-ER¹]

flow'er'y, a. Abounding in flowers; full of fine words, compliments, figures of speech, etc., whence ~INESS (-owr-) n. [-r'²]

flow'ing (-ōi-), a. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (of style) fluent, easy; (of lines, curves, contour) smoothly continuous, not abrupt; (Naut.) with ~ sheet or sail, sailing with lee clews eased off when wind is nearly across course. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING²]

flown¹ (-ōn), a. (arch.). Swollen, puffed up, (~ with insolence and wine). [obs. p.p. of FLOW]

flown¹. See **FLY**¹.

flūc-tūlāte, v.l. Move up & down like waves (rare); vary irregularly, rise & fall, be unstable; vacillate, waver. So ~**'TION** n. [f. *L fluctuare* (*fluctus* -*us* wave f. *fluere* flow), -**ATE**¹]

flue¹ (floo), n. Kind of fishing-net. [from 14th c.; cf. *MDu. vluue*]

flue² (floo), n. Substance formed by loose particles of cotton etc., fluff. Hence ~**'Y**² (-oo'y) a. [cf. *Flem. vluue* perh. f. *F velu* hairy]

flue³ (floo), n. Smoke-duct in chimney; channel for conveying heat, esp. hot-air passage in wall, tube for heating water in some kinds of boiler; ~**pipes** (Mus.), organ-pipes other than reed-pipes. [perh. cogn. w. **FLUM**¹]

flu(e)⁴ (floo), n. (colloq.). (Short for) **IN-FLUENZA**.

flue⁵ (floo), v.l. & t. Splay, make (opening) widen inwards or outwards. [f. obs. ad]. *flue* shallow perh. cogn. w. **FLOW**]

flu'ency (floo-), n. Smooth easy flow, esp. in speech; ready utterance. [f. *L fluentia* (foll., -**ENCE**)]

flu'ent (floo-), a. & n. Flowing (rare in lit. sense); ready to flow, liquid, (rare); fluid, not settled, liable to change, (rare); (of motion, curves, etc.) graceful, easy; (of speech or style) copious, coming easily, ready; expressing oneself quickly & easily; (Math., in fluxions) that **FLWS** (n., the variable quantity that flows). Hence ~**'LY**² adv. [f. *L fluere* flow, see -**ENT**]

fluff, n., & v.t. 1. Light feathery stuff given off by blankets etc.; soft fur; soft downy mass or bunch; *bit* of ~ (sl.), girl, woman; soft short hair on lip or cheek; || (sl.) theatrical part imperfectly known; hence ~**'Y**² a., ~**'INESS** n. 2. v.t. Put soft surface on (flesh side of leather); make into ~; shake (oneself, one's feathers etc.) up or out into ~y mass; || (sl.) blunder in theatrical part. [perh. modification of **FLUS**¹]

flu'id (floo-), a. & n. (Substance) consisting of particles that move freely among themselves & yield to the slightest pressure (including gases, liquids, & the assumed pervasive imponderable media of electricity etc.); moving readily, not solid or rigid, not stable; liquid constituent or secretion. Hence **fluid'ity** v.t., **fluid'ity** n., (floo-). [f. *F fluide* f. *L fluidus* (*fluere* flow, -**ID**)¹]

flake¹ (flook), n. Kinds of flat-fish, the flounder, (now rare); kinds of parasitic worm found in sheep's liver; || kind of kidney potato. [OE *flac* cf. ON *flake*, cogn. w. *G flach* flat]

flake² (flook), n. Broad triangular plate on arm of anchor; barbed head of lance, harpoon, etc.; (pl.) whale's tail. [perh. f. *prec.*]

flake³ (flook), n., & v.l. & t. (Make) lucky accidental stroke; get, hit, etc., by ~e.

Hence ~**'Y**² a., ~**'LY**² adv., ~**'INESS** n., (floo-). [etym. dub.; first in billiards]

***flume** (floom), n., & v.l. & t. Artificial channel conveying water for industrial use; ravine with stream; (vb) build ~s, convey down a ~. [In early use = stream; f. OF *flum* f. *L flumen* river (*fluere* flow)]

flumm'ery, n. Food made by boiling oatmeal down to a jelly (arch, or dial.); kinds of sweet dish made with milk, flour, eggs, etc.; empty compliments, trifles, nonsense. [f. *W llymrn* etym. dub.]

flumm'ox, v.t. (sl.). Confound, bewilder, disconcert. [prob. imit.]

flump, v.l. & t., & n. Fall or move heavily, set or throw down, with a dull noise (n., the action or sound). [imit.]

flung. See **FLING** v.

flunk'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Livered servant, footman, (usu. contempt.); toady, snob. Hence ~**DOM** (-kid-), ~**ISM** (-kizn), nn. [orig. Sc.; perh. f. **FLANK**, with sense *sidesman*]

fluor(-), fluoro-, (floo-), comb. forms of **FLUORINE**, as *fluob'ric*, *fluorhyd'ric*; *flu'roscope*, instrument with fluorescent screen used instead of dark room to show Röntgen-ray effects. [foll.]

flu'or (floo-), n. Kinds of gemlike readily fusible mineral containing fluorine; ~**spar**, calcium fluoride. [L, = flow (*fluere* flow, -**OR**)¹]

fluor|es'cence (floo-), n. Coloured luminosity produced in certain substances by incident light or other electro-magnetic radiations of shorter wave-length, esp. violet and ultra-violet light and X-rays; property of absorbing light of short (invisible) wave-length and emitting light of longer (visible) wave-length. Hence ~**esce** v.l., exhibit ~escence, ~**ESCENT** a., (floo-). [prec., -**ESCENT**, -**ENCE**]

flu'orine (floo-), n. Non-metallic element of the **HALOGEN** group. Hence **flu'orine** (floo-) n. (**FLUOR**, -**INE**)¹

flū'rry, n., & v.t. 1. Gust, squall; commotion, excitement, nervous hurry, agitation; whale's death-throes. 2. v.t. Confuse by haste or noise, agitate. [imit.; cf. *flaw, hurry*]

flūsh¹, v.l. & t., & n. 1. Take wing & fly away; cause to do this, put up, (birds). 2. n. Number of birds put up at once. [perh. imit.; cf. *fly, rush*]

flūsh², v.l. & t. Spurt, rush out; cleanse (drain etc.) by flow of water; flood (meadow); (of plant) throw out fresh shoots (also causative, *rain ~es the plants*); glow with warm colour; (of blood) rush into & redden face; (of face) become red or hot, blush; cause to glow or blush, suffuse with warm colour; inflame with pride or passion, encourage, (~ed with *energies, joy, victory, insolence, etc.*). [perh. = prec. influenced by *flask & flush*]

flūsh³, n. Rush of water; sudden abundance; stream from mill-wheel; rush of

emotion, elation produced by it or by victory etc.; fresh growth of grass etc.; cleansing of drain by flushing; glow of light or colour; rush of blood to face, reddening caused by it; hot fit in fever; freshness, vigour. [f. prec.]

flūsh⁴, a., & v.t. 1. Full to overflowing, in flood; (usu. pred.) having plentiful supply of or of money etc., (of money) abundant; even, in same plane, level *with*, without projections or raised edges. 2. v.t. Level; fill in (joint) level with surface. [prob. f. FLUSH³]

flūsh⁵, n. Set of cards all of one suit. [cf. F & Sp. *fluz* prob. f. L FLUXUS]

flūs'ter, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Confuse with drink, half-intoxicate; flurry, make nervous; be agitated, bustle. 2. n. Flurry, flutter, agitation. [cf. Icel. *flaustn* n., *flaustri* v.]

flūs'tra, n. (pl. -ae, -as). Sea-mat, poly-zoic species resembling sea-weed. [arbitrary mod. L coinage by Linnaeus]

flute (flōt), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Musical wind-instrument, long wooden pipe with holes along it stopped by fingers or keys, & blow-hole in side near upper end, whence **flut'ist**(3) (flō-) n.; ~-player; organ stop with ~-like tone; semicylindrical vertical groove in pillar, similar groove elsewhere, e.g. in frills, whence **flut'ing**⁴(6) (flō-) n. 2. vb. Play ~; whistle, sing, or speak, in ~-like tones; play (air etc.) on ~; make ~s or grooves in. [f. OF *fluite*, *flaite*, *flaute*, etym. dub.]

flūt'ter, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Flap wings, flap (wings), without flying or in short flights; come or go with quivering motion (usu. to the ground); go about restlessly, flit, hover; quiver, vibrate, (of pulse) beat feebly & irregularly; tremble with excitement, be agitated; move (flag etc.) irregularly, agitate, ruffle; throw (person) into confusion or agitation. 2. n. ~ing; tremulous excitement (*be, put, in a ~*); stir, sensation, (*make a ~*); vibration (*wing, tail, ~*, defects of aircraft in flight); (sl.) gambling venture, speculation. [OE *flotorian* frequent. cf. *flotan* FLEET¹]

flut'y (flō-), a. Like flute in tone, soft & clear. [-y¹]

fluv'ial (flō-), a. Of, found in, river(s). [F, f. L *fluvialis* (*fluvius* river, -AL)]

fluv'atile (flō-), a. Of, found in, produced by, river(s). [F, f. L *fluvialis* (prec., -ATILE)]

fluv'io- (flō-), comb. form of L *fluvius* river, as *fluvio-marine*, *fluviom'eler*.

flūx, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Morbid or excessive discharge of blood, excrement, etc., (formerly) dysentery; flowing out, issue; flowing; inflow of tide (usu. ~ & *reflux*, often fig.); flood of talk etc.; continuous succession of changes (*in a state of ~*); (Math.) continued motion (*line is the ~ of a point*); (Physics) rate of flow of any fluid across given area, amount crossing

area in given time; substance mixed with metal etc. to promote fusion. 2. vb. Issue in a ~, flow copiously; make fluid, fuse, treat with a fusing ~. [F, f. L *fluxus* (*fluere* *flux*-flow)]

flū'xion (-kshn), n. Flowing (rare); continuous change (rare); (Math.) rate or proportion at which a flowing or varying quantity increases its magnitude (*method of ~s*, the Newtonian calculus). Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., (-kshn-). [F, f. L *fluxionem* (*fluere* *flux*-flow, -ION)]

fly¹, n. Two-winged insect (~ *in amber*, curious relic; ~ *on wheel*, person who over-estimates his own influence; *break ~ on wheel*, expend disproportionate energy; a ~ *in the ointment*, trifling circumstance that mars enjoyment; *no flies on him* etc., sl. praise of person's or thing's efficiency; HESSIAN, SPANISH, TSETSE, ~); kinds of plant-disease caused by various flies (*a good deal of ~ exists*); natural or artificial ~ used as fishing-bait; ~-bane, kinds of plant, esp. CATCH¹ ~ & Ploughman's spikenard; ~-blow, (n.) ~'s egg in meat etc., (v.t.) deposit eggs in, taint, (~-blown, tainted, lit. & fig.); ~-book, case for keeping fishing-flies in; ~-catcher, trap for flies, kinds of bird; ~-fish (v.i.), fish with ~; ~-flap, for driving away flies; ~-net, net or fringe protecting horse from flies; ~-paper, for catching or poisoning flies; ~-trap, for catching flies, also kinds of plant esp. *Venus's* ~-trap, *Dionaea*; ~-weight (BOX²); ~-whisk, for driving away flies. [OE *flēoge*, *flýge*, cf. Du. *vlieg*, G *fliege*, cogn. w. foll.]

fly², v.i. & t. (*flew*, pr. flōd, *flown* pr. flōn; *is, has flown*, sec -ED⁴(2); *fly* is preferred in talk & ordinary prose for *flee*, but not *flew* or *flown* for *fled*). Move through air with wings (~ *high*, be ambitious; *high-flown*, exalted, turgid, bombastic; *as the crow*¹ *flies*; *the bird is flown*, person wanted has escaped; often *about, away, forth, off, out*) or in aircraft; direct flight of (aircraft), transport (passengers) in aircraft; make (pigeon, hawk) ~; (Hawk) soar by way of attack at (fig., ~ *at higher game*, have nobler ambitions); pass or rise quickly through air; jump clear over or over fence etc.; make (kite) rise & stay aloft (~ *a kite*, raise money by accommodation bill, also try how the wind blows, feel one's way by balloon d'essai); (of flag, hair, garment, etc.) flutter, wave; set or keep (flag) ~ing: travel swiftly, rush along, pass rapidly; spring, start, hasten, (~ *to arms*, take up arms eagerly; ~ *in the face*¹ of; ~ *at, upon*, attack violently; ~ *into* a passion, raptures, etc.; ~ *out*, burst into violent language or action); be driven or forced off suddenly (*made sparks ~*; *send ~ing*; *make the money ~*, spend quickly; *door flew open*; *glass* etc. *flies*, breaks in pieces); let ~, discharge (missile), (abs.) shoot, hit, or

use strong language, at; run away, flee, flee from (*must ~ the country*); ~away, (of garments) streaming, loose, negligé, (of persons) flighty; ~by-night, one who makes night excursions or decamps by night; ~the-garter, kind of leap-frog. [com.-Teut.; OE *fléogan*, cf. G *fliegen*; unconnected with *flee*]

fly³, n. Flying, distance flown, (on the ~, on the wing, in motion); || one-horse hackney-carriage: lap on garment to contain or cover buttonholes, flap at entrance of tent; part of flag farthest from staff, also its breadth from staff to end; (Theatr.; pl.) space over proscenium; speed-regulating device in clockwork & machinery; ~leaf, blank leaf at beginning or end of book, blank leaf of circular etc.; ~man, || driver of ~ = carriage, man stationed in files of theatre to work ropes etc.; ~sheet, 2 or 4 page circular etc.; ~wheel, heavy-rimmed on revolving shaft to regulate machinery or accumulate power. [f. prec.]

fly⁴, a. (sl.). Knowing, wide awake. [?]

fly'er, fly'er, n. Bird etc. that flies (usu. *high, poor*, etc., ~); animal, vehicle, etc., going with exceptional speed; airman; flying jump. [-er¹]

fly'ing, a. In vbl senses; also or esp.: making movements like flight (~ *boat*, form of SEA-plane in which a boat serves as both fuselage & float; ~ *bomb*, aerial torpedo, pilotless aircraft with explosive war-head; ~ *dog*, kind of vampire-bat; ~ *DUTCHMAN*; ~ *fish*, kinds rising into air by wing-like pectoral fins, also nickname for native of Barbados; ~ *fox*, kinds of fruit-eating bat; ~ *man*, airman; F~ *Officer*, rank in AIR¹ Force; ~ *squad*, police detachment with motor-cars etc. for rapid pursuit; ~ *squirrel*, kinds floating in air by skin connecting fore & hind legs); hanging loose, fluttering, (~ *fib*, light sail set before jib on ~ jib-boom; with ~ COLOUR's); done or taken in passing (~ *jump*, with running start; ~ *handicap*, *mile*, *start*, in which starting-post is passed at full speed); passing, hasty, (~ *visit*); temporary (~ *bridge*); designed for rapid movement (~ *squadron*, *column*); ~ *bulwark*, slanting from pier etc. to wall & usu. carried on arch. [-ING³]

foal, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Young of horse, ass, etc., colt or filly, (in, with, ~, pregnant). 2. vb. Give birth to (~), give birth to ~. [com.-Teut.; OE *fola*, cf. G *fohlen*, cogn. w. Gk *phólos*, L *pulvis*]

foam, n., & v.i. 1. Collection of small bubbles formed in liquid by agitation, fermentation, etc.; froth of saliva or perspiration; (poet.) the sea. 2. v.i. Emit ~, froth at the mouth; (of water etc.) froth, gather ~, run ~ing along, down, over, etc., pass off or away in ~; (of cup etc.) be filled with ~ing-liquor. Hence ~LESS, ~Y¹, aa. [vb f. n., OE *fám* cf. G *foim*]

föb¹, n., & v.t. (-bb-). Small pocket for watch etc. formerly made in waistband of breeches; (vb) put in one's ~, pocket. [f] **föb²**, v.t. (-bb-). Cheat, take in; palm (something inferior) off upon (person); put (person) off with (something inferior). [from 16th c.; cf. G *foppen* befool]

föc'al, a. Of, situated or collected at, a focus; (Opt.) ~ distance or length, distance between centre of mirror or lens & its focus; ~plane shutter (Photog.), blind with (usu. adjustable) slit that moves across face of plate or film (for very short exposures). [FOCUS, -AL]

föc'aliz'e, v.t. = FOCUS v.t. Hence ~ATION n. [prec., -IZE]

fo'c's'le. See FORECASTLE.

föc'us, n. (pl. -ci pr. -si, -uses), & v.t. & i. (-s, -ss-). 1. (Plane geom.) one of points from which distances to any point of given curve are connected by linear relation; (Opt., Heat, etc.) point at which rays meet after reflection or refraction, point from which rays appear to proceed, point at which object must be situated for image given by lens to be well defined (in, out of, bring into, ~), focal length of lens, adjustment of eye or eyeglass necessary to produce clear image; point to which sound-waves converge; principal seat (of disease, activity, etc.). 2. vb. Converge, make converge, to a ~; adjust ~ of (lens, eye); bring into ~. [L, = hearth]

född'er, n., & v.t. 1. Dried food, hay, straw, etc., for stall-feeding cattle; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Give ~ to. [OE *födor*, cf. Du. *voeder*, G *fütter*, f. Aryan *pat*-feed]

föe, n. (poet. etc.). Enemy, adversary, opponent, ill-wisher; ~man (aroh.), enemy in war. [OE *föh* adj. & *gefi* noun f. OTeut. *faiho-*, *gafaiho-*, cogn. w. Gk *pikros* bitter]

foet'us (fët-), **fät'us**, n. Fully developed embryo in womb or egg. Hence f(o)et'AL a., f(o)et'ICIDE n., (fë-). [L *fetus* -ūs offspring]

fög¹, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Aftermath; long grass left standing in winter. 2. v.t. Leave (land) under ~; feed (cattle) on ~. [from 14th c.; etym. dub.]

fög², n., & v.t. & i. (-gg-). 1. Vapour suspended in atmosphere at or near earth's surface, obscurity caused by this (in a ~, puzzled, at a loss); abnormal darkened state of atmosphere; (Photog.) cloud on developed plate; ~bow, like rainbow produced by light on ~; ~horn, sounding instrument for warning ships in ~; ~signal, detonator placed on railway line in ~ to guide driver. 2. vb. Envelop (as) with ~; bewilder, perplex; (Gardening) die off from damp; (Photog.) make (negative) obscure or cloudy; || (Railway) place ~-signals on line, whence || ~g'ua¹ n. [prob. back formation f. FOGAT; from 16th c.]

fōg-g' [f-(-g-), a. Thick, murky; of, like, infected with, fog¹; obscure, dull, confused, (has only a ~y idea of it); beclouded, indistinct. Hence ~ir¹ adv., ~irass n. [earlier senses, covered with coarse grass, boggy, flabby; prob. f. fog¹, fog² being formed f. foggy]

fō gle, n. (thieves' sl.). Silk handkerchief.

fōg-y, -gey, (-g-), n. (Usu. old ~) old-fashioned fellow, old man behind the times. Hence fōg'(e)ynom, fōg'yism, nn., fōg'yism¹ a., (-g-). [perh. var. of foggy in obs. sense moss-grown]

Fōhn (fērn), n. Hot southerly wind in the Alps. [G, perh. f. L *Favonius*]

foi'ble, n. Weak point, weakness of character, quality on which one mistakenly prides oneself; (Fenc.) part of sword-blade from middle to point (cf. forte). [F, obs. form of *faible* FEEBLE]

foi'l, n., & v.t. 1. (Archit.) arc or space between cusps of window (vb, ornament with ~s, as ~ed arch). 2. Metal hammered or rolled into thin sheet (usu. gold, tin, etc., ~); sheet of this, or now amalgam of tin & quicksilver, placed behind mirror-glass, backing; leaf of it placed under precious stone etc. to brighten or colour it or enhance its brightness by contrast (vb, supply with this). 3. Anything that sets something off by contrast (vb, set off thus). [OF, f. L *folium* leaf cogn. w. Gk *phyllon*]

foi'l, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Hunt.) run over or cross (scent, ground) so as to baffle hounds (also abs. of deer etc., spoil the scent thus); beat off, repulse, frustrate, parry, baffle. 2. n. Track of hunted animal (run, run upon, the ~, over same track a second time); (arch.) repulse, defeat, check. [f. OF *fouler* full cloth, trample, (L *fullo* fuller)]

foi'l, n. Blunt-edged sword with button on point used in fencing. [etym. dub.; perh. f. prec. in sense parry; or f. obs. *foin* thrust (& = foil in 17th c.) f. OF *foine* f. L *fuscina* fish-spear]

fois'on (-zn), n. (arch.). Plenty. [OF, f. L *fusiōnem* (*fundere* fus- pour, -ion, -ōn)]

foist, v.t. Introduce surreptitiously or unwarrantably into or in (adv.); palm (off) on or upon, father (composition) upon. [orig. of palming false die; prob. f. Du. dial. *vuisien* take in the hand (*vuis* fist)]

fōid, n., & v.t. 1. (Usu. sheep ~) enclosure for sheep; (fig.) church, body of believers. 2. v.t. Shut up (sheep etc.) in ~; place sheep in ~ or ~s on (land) to manure it. [OE *fald*, cf. Du. *vaalt*; unconnected w. foil.]

fōid, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Double (flexible thing) over upon itself (also in, over, together; ~ up, make more compact by ~ing); bend portion of (thing) back, down; become, be able to be, ~ed (~ing door(s), in 2 parts, often themselves ~ing, hung

on 2 jambs); wind, clasp, (arms etc.) about, round; lay together & interlace (arms), clasp (one's hands); swathe, envelop, (~ it in paper; hills ~ed in mist); embrace in arms or to breast. 2. n. Doubling of ~ed object; hollow between two thicknesses (carried it in a ~ of her dress), hollow or nook in mountain, etc.; coil of serpent, string, etc.; ~ing (another ~ gives 32mo); line made by ~ing; (Geol.) the ~ing or curvature of strata. [com.-Teut.; n. f. vb, OE *faldan*, cf. G *fallen*, also Gk (*dī*)*plasis* double, & Gk *phōidō*, L *plicare*, plait]

-fold, suf. (OE *feald*; cf. Du. *-voud*, G *-falt*) cogn. w. FOLD², Gk *-paltos*, *-plastos*, & *-plo-* in *haplos* single, & prob. L *-plex* (*simplex* etc.); added to cardinals to form adj. w. sense multiplied by (orig. sense folded in —, plaited in — strands). Now largely superseded by wds f. L in *-ble*, *-ple*, (*treble*, *quadruple*), but retained in the advl use (*repaid tenfold*), & in adj. when there is a plurality of things more or less different (a *twofold* charm).

fōi'der, n. In vbl senses; esp.: paper-folding instrument; folded circular etc.; (pl.) folding eyeglasses. [~²]

fōliā'ceous (-shus), a. Leaf-like; with organs like leaves; of leaves; laminated. [f. L *foliaceus* (*folium* leaf, -ACEOUS)]

fōl'lage, n. Leaves, leafage, (lit., or as represented in art; ~ leaf, excluding petals etc.; ~ plant, cultivated for ~, not for flowers). Hence (-fōl'lag'us) (-s) a. [f. F *feuillage* (*feuille* leaf f. L *folia* leaves, -AGE) corrected on L]

fōl'lar, a. Of leaves. [f. L *folium* leaf, -AR¹]

fōl'iate, a. Leaf-like; having leaves; having specified number of leaflets (1, 5, etc., ~). [f. L *foliatus* (*folium* leaf, -ATE²)]

fōl'i'late, v.i. & t. Split (intr.) into laminae; decorate (arch. door-head) with foils; number leaves (not pages) of (volume) consecutively. So ~¹ *ATION* n. [f. L *folium* leaf, -ATE³]

fōl'fō, n. (pl. -os). Leaf of paper, parchment, etc., numbered only on front; (Bookkeep.) two opposite pages of ledger etc. used concurrently, page of ledger etc. used for both sides of account; leaf-number of printed book; number of words (72 or 90) taken as unit in reckoning length of document; sheet of paper folded once (in ~, of books on such paper), volume made of such sheets, largest-sized volume, (also attrib., a ~ book, in six volumes ~). [L, abl. of *folium* leaf (abl. f. use in ref., = on leaf 50 etc.)]

fōl'fōle, n. Division of compound leaf, leaflet. [F, f. L *foliolum* dim. of *folium* leaf]

folk (fōk), n. (Arch.) a people, nation, race; (pl., the sing. being arch. or dial.) people in general, people of specified class, (now being ousted by *people*; ~,

of the people (chiefly in compounds imitated f. German, as ~-*custom*, ~-*song*; ~-*etymology*, perversion of word's form to make it significant; ~-*lore*, traditional beliefs etc., study of these). [OE *folc*, cf. G *volk*]

fóll'icle, n. Small sac or vesicle; cocoon. So **fóllíc'ular**, **fóllíc'ulated** [-ATE¹], aa. [f. L *folliculus* (*folhis* bellows, -CULE)]

fóll'ow (-ō), v.t. & i. & n. 1. Go or come after (moving thing or person; ~ *the hounds*, hunt; ~ *my leader*, game in which each player must do as leader does; ~ *one's nose*, leave one's route to chance; ~ *the plough*, be ploughman); go along (path); come after in order or time; accompany, serve; go after as admirer; result from, be the necessary consequence of, be involved in, (*trade* ~ *the flag*); strive after, aim at; treat or take as guide or master, obey, espouse opinions or cause of; conform to (~ *SUIT*), act upon, take as rule; practise (profession etc.); ~ *the sea*, be sailor; keep up with mentally, grasp the meaning of, (argument, speaker); go or come after person or thing (~ *in his steps*; ~ *in the wake of*); come next in order, as *his arguments are as ~s* (not ~); happen after something else, ensue; result, be deducible, (*if ~s that he was not there*). 2. ~ *after* (prep. & adv.), = ~ (in most senses, but with slightly formal effect); (Cricket, of side) ~ *on*, go in again out of turn after getting less than opponents by certain number (n., ~-*on*, doing this); ~ *out*, pursue to the end; ~ *through* (Golf), carry stroke through to fullest possible extent after striking ball (~-*through* n., this action); ~ *up*, pursue steadily, add another blow etc. to (previous blow etc.), (Footb. etc.) keep near (player with) ball to support; ~-*up*, the continuation of an action, (esp.) a second advertising circular sent referring to an earlier one. 3. n. (Billiards) stroke causing player's ball to roll on after object-ball, motion so given; (at restaurants) supplementary portion of half the quantity. [OE *folgian*, cf. G *folgen* perh. cogn. w. **FULL**¹]

fóll'ower (-ōer), n. In vbl senses; esp. adherent, disciple; man courting maid-servant. [-EE¹]

fóll'owing¹ (-ō-), n. In vbl senses; also, body of adherents, followers. [-ING¹]

fóll'owing² (-ō-), a. In vbl senses; esp., now to be mentioned (also as pron. sing. or pl., *the ~ are noteworthy*). [-ING¹]

fóll'y, n. Being foolish, want of good sense, unwise conduct; foolish act, idea, or practice, ridiculous thing; costly structure (considered) useless (usu. of originator's name, ~'s *F*). [f. OF *folle* (fol mad, see **FOOL**²); last sense perh. starts f. f. use of *folle*=favourite abode] **fóll'ment**, v.t. Baste with warm or medicated lotions, apply warmth to; foster,

stimulate, or instigate (sentiment, conduct, sedition, etc.), whence ~**EE**¹ n. [f. F *fomentier* f. LL *fomentare* f. L *fomentum* (*fovere* cherish, -MENT)]

fóll'ment's'tion, n. In vbl senses; esp., (application of) warm flannels etc. for fomenting purposes. [f. LL *fomentatio* (prec., -ATION)]

fóll'nd, a. Foolishly credulous or sanguine; over-affectionate, doting; tender, loving; ~ *of*, full of love for, much inclined to. Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [p.p. of obs. *fon* become insipid]

fón'dant, n. Kind of sweetmeat. [F *fondre* melt f. L *fundere* pour, -ANT]

fón'dle, v.t. & i. Caress; toy amorously (with, together). [f. obs. *fond* vb (**FOND**), -LE(3)]

fóns & **fón'gō**, phr. The source and origin (of). (L)

fónt, n. Receptacle for baptismal water; receptacle for holy water; oil-reservoir of lamp. [f. L *fons* -his fountain in ecol. L sense]

fón'tal, a. Primary, original, of the fountain-head; baptismal. [f. med. L *fontalis* (prec., -AL)]

fóntanél(ie), n. Membranous space in infant's head at adjacent angles of parietal bones. [F (-lle), dim. of *fontaine* FOUNTAIN]

fóod, n. Victuals, nourishment, provisions, (be ~ *for* worms, dead; be ~ *for* fishes, drowned; ~ *for* powder, soldiers); edibles (~ & drink); particular kind of ~; nutriment of plants; material for the mind (*mental, intellectual*, ~; ~ *for* thought or meditation); ~-*stuff*, thing used as ~. Hence ~**LESS** a. [OE *fōda* f. Teut. *fad*, *fōd*, f. Aryan *pat*- whence Gk *paleoma* FEED¹]

fóol¹, n., a., & v.i. & t. 1. Silly person, simpleton, person whose conduct one disapproves of, (be *a ~ to*, be nothing in comparison with; *play the ~*, blunder, trifle; *no ~ like an old ~*, esp. of aged lover; ~'s *bolt is soon shot*, his stock of argument is soon exhausted; *man is ~ or physician at thirty*, sensible man needs no doctor); jester, clown, in medieval great house (*play the ~*, indulge in buffoonery); dupe (*make a ~ of*; be *a ~ for* one's pains, take trouble to no end; *All Fools' day*, 1st April; *Aprú ~*, person taken in or sent on ~'s errand on that day; *send, go, on ~'s errand*, fruitless one; ~'s **MATE**¹; ~'s *paradise*, illusory happiness); ~'s-cap, ~'s-cap, cap with bells worn by medieval jester, dunce's conical paper cap, watermark of some 17th-c. paper, long folio writing or printing paper 15-17 x 12-13½ in.; hence ~**ERY**(4, 5), ~**SO**-**RAOT**, mn., ~**HE**¹ a., ~**HELY**² adv., ~**HESS** n., ~**HOOT**² a. (of rules etc. so plain as to defy misinterpretation). 2. ~adj. (colloq.). ~ish, silly. 3. vb. Play the ~, idle, trifle; (also about & ~-*around*); cheat (person) out of money

etc. or *into doing*, get (money etc.) by cajolery out of person; throw (time, money) away ~lshly; make a ~ of, dupe, play tricks on. [*f. OF fol f. L folis bellows in pop. LL sense windbag, empty-headed person*]

fool¹, n. Creamy liquid of fruit stewed, crushed, & mixed with milk, cream, etc. (esp. gooseberry ~). [*prob. f. prec.*]

fool¹hardi¹, a. Foolishly venturesome, delighting in needless risks. Hence ~-ness n. [*f. OF fol hardi (FOOL¹, HARDY¹)*]

foot¹, n. (pl. feet). 1. Termination of leg beginning at ankle (HIND one's feet; have feet of clay, be liable to overthrow, see *Don. II. 33*). 2. Stop, pace, tread, (*swift of ~*; has a light ~). 3. Infantry (the 4th ~ or regiment of ~; ~-soldier; a captain, of ~; ~ & horse). 4. Lower end of bed, grave, couch, etc. (opp. head), part of stocking etc. covering ~. 5. Metrical unit with varying number of syllables one of which is accented. 6. Lineal measure of 12 in. (10 feet long; a ten ~ pole; six ~ or feet three; see also SQUARE a., CUBIC). 7. Lower usu. projecting part, base. 8. (Zool.) kinds of locomotive or adhesive organ in invertebrates. 9. (Bot.) part by which petal is attached, root of hair. 10. Lowest part, bottom, of hill, ladder, wall, list, page, class, etc. 11. Dregs, oil refuse, coarse sugar, (pl. ~s). 12. Phrr.: have one ~ in grave, be near death; (with one's feet foremost, being carried to burial; find, know, length of one's ~, learn his weaknesses, be able to manage him; measure another's ~ by one's own last, judge others by oneself; set, put, have, one's ~ on the neck of, utterly subdue, hold in subjection; on one's feet, standing, in health, with a livelihood; carry one off his feet, make him enthusiastic, greatly excite; FALL¹ on one's feet; keep one's feet, not fall; put one's ~ down, take up firm position (fig.); put one's ~ in it, blunder; REAR¹ ~; ~'s pace, walk; CHANGE¹ ~ or feet; at one's feet, as his disciple, subject, or suppliant; have BALL¹ at one's feet; with fool at ~, of more than has foaled; on ~, walking, not riding etc., also in motion (set agitation, movement, etc., on ~, start it), busy, projected, proceeding; tread under ~, oppress; wet etc. under ~, on the ground. 13. ~&-moult (disease), kind of fever esp. in horned cattle; ~ball, large round or elliptical inflated ball, game played with it, ~batter, player at this; ~bath, washing of feet, small bath used for this; ~board, ~man's platform at carriage-back, board for getting in or out of carriage by, sloped board for driver's feet; ~boy, page, boy servant in livery; ~bridge, path, road, way, etc., for ~passengers only; ~drill, ~gump, etc., worked by or with help of ~; ~fall, sound of ~step; ~fault

(Lawn Tennis), fault made by overstepping the base line while serving; ~gear, boots, socks, etc.; || F ~ Guards, Grenadier, Coldstream, Scots, Irish, Welsh, Guards; ~hill, lying at base of mountain; ~hold, support for feet, surface for standing on; ~lights, scorpene lights in front of stage (GEZ¹ across the ~lights); ~man, infantryman, hired servant for carriage, door, & table, rivet to hang on grate bars; ~mark, ~print; ~muff, for keeping feet warm; ~hole, inserted at ~ of page; ~pace, walking pace, dais; ~pad, unmounted highwayman; ~page, boy servant; ~pan, for washing feet; ~passenger, one who walks, not rides or drives; || ~path (for ~passengers); ~plate, driver's and fireman's platform in locomotive; ~pound, quantity of energy that will raise 1 lb. to height of 1 ft; ~print, impression left by ~; ~race, running-match between persons; ~rot, disease of ~ in sheep & cattle; ~rule, rigid measure 1 ft long; || ~slogger (sl.), walker, infantryman, & so ~slogging n. & a.; ~sore, having sore feet, esp. with walking; ~stalk, (Bot.) stalk of leaf or peduncle of flower, (Zool.) attachment of barnacle etc.; ~step, tread, footprint, (follow in one's ~steps, do as he did); ~stone, foundation stone, stone at ~ of grave; ~stool, for resting feet on; ~sure, sure-footed; ~warmer, thing to warm feet, esp. flat hot-water tin used in railway carriages; ~wear, = ~gear. Hence (-) ~ED¹, ~LESS, aa. [*Aryan*; OE *fōt*, cf. G fuss, Skr. pad, Gk *pous podos*, L *pes pedis*]

foot¹, v.i. & t. ~ it, dance, (rare) pace, go; set foot on, traverse on foot (rare); put new foot to (stocking); add up or up (account); pay (bill); (of bill, items, etc.) mount up to. [*f. prec.*]

|| **foot**¹er, n. (sl.). The game football. [*ER¹*]

foot¹ing, n. Placing of feet, foothold; surface for standing on, secure position, (lit. & fig.); conditions, relations, position, status, in which person is towards others, degree of intimacy etc.; entrance on new position, admittance to trade, society, etc., (only in pay for or pay one's ~, i.e. a customary fee for it); projecting corner at foot of wall etc.; (reckoning of sum total of column of figures etc. [FOOT¹+ING¹])

foe¹tje, v.i., & n. (sl.). 1. Trifle, play the fool; hence ~ING¹ a. 2. n. Twaddle, folly. [*f*]

foe¹zle, v.t., & n. (sl., esp. golf). 1. Do clumsily, bungle, make a mess of. 2. n. Clumsy failure. [*cf. G dial. fuseln work badly or slowly*]

foop, n. Dandy, exquisite, vain man. Hence ~LING¹(2), ~P'ERY¹(4, 5), n., ~P'HE¹ a., ~P'ISHLY¹ adv., ~P'ISH-NESS n. [*f*]

for (*fōr, fōr, fōr*, according to position or emphasis required), prep. & conj. 1. prep. Representing, in place of, in exchange against, as price or penalty of, in requital of, (*sits ~, member ~, Liverpool*; once ~ all, instead of many repetitions, finally; substituted ~; agent ~; got it ~ *fd.*; thrashed ~ his pains; do you take me ~ a fool?); in defence or support or favour of, on side of, (*take my word ~ it*, be assured; hurrah ~ person or thing; am ~ tariff-reform); with a view to, in order to be, conducive(ly) to, (*go ~ a walk*; went ~ a soldier; is, did it, ~ her good; ~ sale, to be sold); to get, win, or save (*send, go, ~ a cab*; would not do it ~ the world; not paid ~; play ~ penny points; was tried ~ his life; cannot do it ~ the life of me; run ~ it); to reach, arrive at, be received by, or belong to (*left, sailed, ~ India*; made ~ shelter; go ~ (sl.), attack; getting on ~ two o'clock; bought gowns ~ the maids; won a name ~ himself); (after vbs, adjl., nn., & interjections, of emotion, faculty, or fitness; after adjl. & adv. with too, enough; after expressions implying fitness etc.) as regards, in the direction of, (*don't care ~ games*; a longing ~ praise; sit ~ nothing; ready ~ dinner; oh ~ wings!; now ~ it!; too beautiful ~ words; good enough ~ me; time ~ school; is not long ~ this world, will soon die; nothing ~ it but to submit, submission the only course open; is the man ~ the job; it is ~ you to make the move; the motive ~ retreating); with the result, at the cost, to the amount, of (*all out ~ £4*; 150 ~ 6 wickets; drew on him ~ £100); to affect, as affecting, beneficially or the reverse (*they live ~ each other*; can shift ~ myself; things look bad ~ you; it is bad ~ him to smoke; & hence ~ with noun or pron. & infin. as neutral noun-phrase=Latin acc. & inf., it is wicked ~ him to smoke, it is usual ~ hats to be worn=that hats should be worn); in the character of, as, as being, (*hold it ~ certain*; mistaken ~ him; be hanged ~ a pirate; take ~ granted; I ~ one do not believe it; did it ~ the second time; ~ good); by reason, under influence, because, on account, of (*did it ~ pure wantonness*; avoid it ~ fear of accidents; I tremble ~ him; notorious ~ parsimony; do it ~ my sake; fle ~ shame!; alas ~ him!); in spite of (*~ all that, ~ all you say, ~ all he seems to dislike me, I still like him*); on account of the hindrance of (*were it not, but, except, ~ one thing I might be happy*); corresponding to, in contrast with, (*~ one enemy he has a hundred friends*; bulk ~ bulk, taking equal bulk of each; word ~ word, literally, verbatim); so far as concerns, regarding, (*~ the rest; ~ my part; ~ all, aught, I know; hard up ~ money; wants ~ nothing*); considering, making the allowance required by, the usual nature of (*a humane man ~ an executioner*;

very bright ~ a winter day); during, over, to the extent of, (*has been so ~ months*; walk ~ two miles; made comfortable ~ life, ~ the present; left him alone ~ once); ~ all the world, exactly (*looked ~ all the world like a porpoise*); be for it (sl.), be destined for punishment. 2. conj. (Introducing new sentence or series of sentences containing proof of or reason for believing what has been previously stated) seeing that, since, in order to be convinced of this observe or remember that... [prob. shortened f. *FORE*]

for-, pref. formerly very common, but remaining only in some dozen common words. Meanings: (1) away, off, apart, (~by, ~get, ~give); (2) prohibition (~bid, ~send); (3) abstention, neglect, (~bear, ~go, ~sake, ~swear); (4) bad effect (~do); (5) excess, intensity (~lorn, ~pine, ~worn). [OE *for-*, *fær-*, of *G ver-*, cogn. w. Gk *peri*, *pro*, *para*, & *L per*, *pro*]

fō'rage, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Food for horses & cattle, esp. for horses in army; foraging (on the ~ etc.); || ~cap, infantry undress cap. 2. vb. Collect ~ from, ravage; search for ~ or (fig.) for anything, rummage; supply with ~; get by foraging; so **fō'rager** (-ij) [-iER] n. [f. OF *fouirage* (s) (*seurre* f. Rom. **fodro* f. Teut. see *FOODER*)] **forām'en**, n. (pl. -mina). Orifice, hole, passage, (esp. in Anat., Zool., Bot.). Hence **forām'inat³**, -ätēd, aa. [L (*forare* bore, -MEN)]

fōrasmūch' as (-ax-, -as), conj. Seeing that, since. [=for as much as]

fō'ray, n., & v.i. (Go on, make) incursion, raid, inroad. [f. Rom. **fodro* (FORAGE)]

forbear¹ (fōb'ā, forbā'), n. (usu. pl.). Ancestor(s). [FOR² + obs. *beer* (BE, -BE¹)]

forbear² (-bā), v.t. & i. (-bore, -borne). Abstain or refrain from or from; not use or mention; be patient. Hence ~ANCE n., ~ingly² adv. (-bā'). [FOR-(3), BEAR²]

forbid', v.t. (-bād or -bāde; -bādden). Command (person etc.) not to do, (person etc.) not to go to (place), not allow (person etc. something; person or thing to exist or happen), (~ him to go, him the court, him wine; ~ gladiators, bullfights; was ~den wine); (of circumstances, hindrance, etc.) exclude, prevent, make undesirable, (God ~ I, may it not happen!); ~den or prohibited DANGERS; ~den fruit, thing desired because not allowed. [OE *forbēdan* see FOR-(2), BID]

forbidd'ing, a. Repellent, of uninviting appearance. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [-ING¹]

forbŷ(e)', prep. & adv. (So. & arch.). Besides, not to mention; in addition. [FOR-(1) + BY; cf. *G vordel*]

fōrce¹, n. 1. Strength, power, impetus, violence, intense effort; military strength; body of armed men, army, (pl.) troops; body of police (the ~, the police); strength exerted on an object, coercion, (by ~, by

compulsion). 2. Mental or moral strength; influence, controlling power, efficacy, power to convince, vividness of effect, (the ~ of circumstances brought it about; there is ~ in what you say; described with much ~); (loose use) desirability, good sense, (can't see the ~ of doing what one dislikes). 3. Binding power, validity, (law remains in, comes into, ~; put in ~, enforce); real import, precise meaning. 4. (Phys.) measurable and determinable influence inclining body to motion, intensity of this, (formerly) kinetic energy (CONSERVATION of ~ or energy), (formerly) cause of any class of physical phenomena, e.g. of heat or motion, conceived as inherent in matter; (fig.) agency likened to these (considers himself a ~ in the world). 5. By ~ of, by means of; (Mil.) in ~, in large numbers; in great ~, vigorous, fit, lively; ~ pump, that forces water beyond range of atmospheric pressure. Hence ~LESS (-al) a. [F, f. pop. L ⁺fortis (L fortis strong)]

force¹, v.t. 1. Use violence to, ravish. 2. Constrain, compel, (~ one's hand, compel him to act prematurely or adopt policy unwillingly), put strained sense upon (words), (Cards) compel (player) to trump or reveal his strength, compel player to play (certain card); ~d landing, compulsory landing of aircraft owing to damage, engine failure, etc.; compel (person) to do, into doing, or into specified action. 3. Strain to the utmost, urge, (~ the pace or running, adopt high speed in race to tire adversary out quickly; so ~ the bidding at auction; ~ one's voice, strain to get notes beyond usual compass or degree of loudness beyond what is easy or natural; ~d march, requiring special effort; ~d draught¹; ~ the game, run risks to score quickly; ~ an analogy, simile, etc., apply it to death). 4. Overpower, capture, make way through, break open, (stronghold, defences, pass, lock, door) by force. 5. Drive, propel. 6. Impose, press, (thing) upon person (~ a card, in conjuring, make one choose a particular card unconsciously). 7. Effect, produce, by effort (~ a smile, make oneself smile; ~ one's way, a passage); take by force, extort, wring, (~ it out of his hands; ~d loan; ~ tears from his eyes, the facts out of him). 8. Artificially hasten the maturity of (plant, scholar). Hence **for¹cedly¹** adv. [f. F *forcer* (prec.)]

force², n. (northern). Waterfall. [f. ON *fora*]

forceful¹ (-ful), a. (Arch. or literary or affected for) forcible. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

force majeure (mahzh'er'), n. Irresistible coercion diplomatically recognised as irresistible; war, strike, act

of God, etc., excusing fulfilment of contract. [F]

force²-meat (-sm-), n. Meat chopped, spiced, & seasoned for stuffing. [f. obs. force corruption of *FARCE*¹]

for¹céps, n. sing. & pl. Surgical pincers; (Anat., Entom., Zool.) organ resembling ~, whence **for¹cipare¹** a. [L (genit. -*cpis*)]

for¹cible, a. Done by, involving, force; telling, vivid, convincing, (of acts, words, style, artist, etc.); ~ feeble, disguising feebleness under show of force. Hence ~NESS n., **for¹cibly¹** adv. [OF (*force*)¹, -IBLE]

ford, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Shallow place where river etc. may be crossed by wading. 2. vb. Cross (water), cross water, by wading. Hence ~ABLE, ~LESS, aa. [cf. G *furt*; cogn. w. *fare*, also w. L *portus* PORT¹]

fordo¹ (-ōb), v.t. (arch.; -*dā*, -*done* pr. dūn). Kill, destroy, spoil; (p.p.) exhausted, tired out. [OE *fōrdōn* see FOR- (4), DO¹]

fore¹, a. & n. 1. Situated in front (opp. HIND, BACK, AFT). 2. n. ~ part, bow of ship; (Naut.) at the ~, on the ~-royal mast-head; to the ~, on the spot, ready to hand, available, alive, (recently) conspicuous (come to the ~, take leading part). [developed f. compounds w. FOR-]

fore¹, adv. & prep. 1. adv. In front (still in ~ & aft, at bow & stern, all over ship, backwards & forwards or lengthwise in ship; ~ & aft rigged, having ~ & aft sails, i.e. sails set lengthwise, not to yards, as chief sails; ~ & aft cap, with peak at each end). 2. prep. In presence of (in adjurations), as ~ George = by George. [com.-Teut.; OE *fore*, cf. G *vor*, cogn. w. L *pro*, *prae*, per, Gk *pro*, *para*, *peri*; prep. often mistakenly 'fore as if short for before]

fore¹, int. (golf), warning people in front of stroke. [prob. for BEFORE]

fore-, pref. freely used with vbs, their participial adjectives, vbl nouns, & nouns of action; also with other nouns. Meanings with vbs etc.: (1) in front (*fore-runner*); (2) beforehand, in advance, (*foreordain*). Meanings with nouns other than verbal or of action: (3) in front, front-, (*forequarter*); (4) front part of (*forearm*); (5) of, near, or towards stem of ship or connected w. foremast (*fore-castle*, *forehold*); (6) anticipatory, precedent, (*foreknowledge*). [see FOR¹]

fore¹arm¹ (fōr'ārm), n. Arm from elbow to wrist or finger-tips; corresponding part in foreleg or wing. [FOR- (4)]

forearm² (fōr'ārm), v.t. Arm beforehand. [FOR- (2)]

forebode¹ (fōrb-), v.t. Predict (rare); betoken, portend; have presentiment of (usu. evil) or that. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [FOR- (2)]

foreböd'ing (föb'-), *n.* Prediction (rare), presage or omen, presentiment, (esp. of evil). [-ING¹]

fore-cabin (fö'k'-), *n.* Cabin in fore part of ship, usu. for second-class passengers. [FORE-(5)]

forecast' (fö'kahst'), *v.t.* (*forecast* or *~ed*, see in etym.). Estimate, conjecture, beforehand. [FORE-(2) + CAST¹; *~ed* depends on mistaken assumption that the vb is derived f. foll.]

fore'cast' (fö'kahst'), *n.* Foresight, prudence, (rare); conjectural estimate of something future, esp. of coming weather. [f. prec.]

forecastle, fo'c's'le, (fö'k'sl), *n.* (Hist.) short raised deck at bow, (in war-ship, later but now obs.) part of upper deck forward of aftermost fore-shroud; (in merchant-ship) forward part under deck where sailors live. [FORE-(5)]

foreclose' (fö'klöz'), *v.t. & i.* Bar, preclude, prevent, shut out from enjoyment of; (Mortgage Law) bar (person entitled to redeem) upon nonpayment of money due, bar (right of redemption), take away power of redeeming (mortgage), whence *~ure* (fö'klöz'h'er) *n.*; settle (arguable point etc.) by anticipation. [f. F *forclorre* (OF *for* out f. L *foris*, *close*³)]

fore'court (fö'kört'), *n.* Enclosed space before building, outer court. [FORE-(3)]

fore'edge (fö'ej'), *n.* Front or outer edge (esp. of book); *~ painting*, decoration of the front (occas. the top) edge of book with coloured design. [FORE-(3)]

fore'father (fö'fahdher), *n.* (Pl.) the persons, esp. in earlier generations, from whom one's father or mother is descended, (loosely) the past generations of a family or race; (sing., rare) man from whom one is descended. [FORE-(6)]

fore'finger (fö'fingger), *n.* Finger next thumb (also called *first* or *index finger*). [FORE-(3)]

fore'foot (fö'f'-), *n.* One of beast's front feet; (Naut.) foremost piece of keel, course in front of this (*crossing our ~*). [FORE-(3, 5)]

fore'front (fö'frünt), *n.* Very front, foremost part, van, (*in the ~ of the battle*). [FORE-(3)]

foregather. See FORGATHER.

fore'gift (fö'g'-), *n.* (law). Premium for lease. [FORE-(6)]

forego' (fö'gö'), *v.t. & i.* (*-went*, *-gone* pr. *-gawn*). Precede in place or time (*~ing*, previously mentioned); *~ne conclusion*, decision or opinion come to in advance of the evidence or necessary facts, prejudice, result that can be or could have been foreseen. [FORE-(2)]

forego'. See FORGO.

foregö'er (fö'g-), *n.* Predecessor. [FORE-(1)]

fore'ground (fö'g'-), *n.* Part of view, esp. in picture, nearest observer; most conspicuous position. [FORE-(3)]

fore'händ (fö'h'-), *n. & a.* 1. Part of horse before rider. 2. adj. (Of stroke at tennis etc.) not backhanded. [FORE-(8)]

forehead (fö'réd), *n.* Part of face above eyebrows & between temples. [OE *forheafod* see FORE-(4), HEAD¹]

fö'reign (-rin), *a.* Belonging to, proceeding from, other persons or things; alien *from or to*, irrelevant, dissimilar, or inappropriate, *to*; introduced from outside (esp. *~ body* or *substance* in the tissues etc.); situated outside, coming from another district, parish, society, etc.; || (of a railway) belonging to another company; outside the country, not in one's own land; of, in, characteristic of, coming from, dealing with, some country not in the United Kingdom or English-speaking countries (*~, colonial, & home trade; ~ parts*, countries; *F~ Office*, department for *~ affairs* or its building; *~ letter-paper*, thin to reduce postage). Hence *~ism* (2, 4) *n.*, *~ize* (3) *v.t. & i.*, (-rin-). [f. OF *forain* (L *foris* outside, *-an*)]

fö'reigner (-rin-), *n.* Person born in foreign country or speaking foreign language; foreign ship, imported animal or article. [-ER¹]

forejüdge' (fö'rj-), *v.t.* Judge or determine before hearing the evidence. [FORE-(2)]

foreknow (fö'nö'), *v.t.* (*-knew*, *-known*). Know beforehand, have prescience of. So **foreknowledge** (fö'nöl'ij) *n.* [FORE-(2)]

fö'rel, fö'rrel, *n.* Vellum-like parchment for covering account-books. [OF *forrel* dim. of *forre* sheath]

fore'land (fö'r'l-), *n.* Cape, promontory; strip of land in front of something. [FORE-(8)]

fore'læg (fö'l-), *n.* Beast's front leg. [FORE-(3)]

fore'lock' (fö'l-), *n.* Lock of hair growing just above forehead (*take time, occasion, etc., by the ~*, not let chance slip). [FORE-(3)]

fore'lock' (fö'l-), *n., & v.t.* Wedge put through hole in bolt to keep it in place; (vb) secure thus. [FORE-(3), LOCK²]

fore'man (fö'm-), *n.* President & spokesman of jury; principal workman superintending others (*working ~*, one who both works & supervises). [FORE-(3)]

fore'mast (fö'm-), *n.* Forward lower mast of ship (*~ man, seaman, hand, sailor* below rank of petty officer). [FORE-(5)]

fore'most (fö'möst-, -öst), *a. & adv.* superl. 1. Most advanced in position, front, (*head, end, etc.*, *~, with head etc. in front*); most notable, best, chief. 2. adv. Before anything else in position, in the first place, (usu. *first & ~*). [OE *formost* double superl. with *-m-* (cf. L *primus*) & *-st* f. st. of *FORE*, assimilated to *most*]

fore'nöon (fö'n-), *n.* The day till noon, morning. [FORE² + NOON]

forēn'sic, *a.* Of, used in, courts of law (~*ic medicine*, medical jurisprudence). Hence ~*ICALLY* *adv.* [*L. L. forensic* (FORUM) + -*ic*]

foreordain' (fōr'ōr-), *v.t.* Predestinate, appoint beforehand. So **FOREORDINA'TION** (fōr'ōr-) *n.* [FORE-(2)]

fore'peak (fōr-pēk), *n.* (naut.). End of fore-hold in angle of bows. [FORE-(5)]

fore'plane (fōr-pēn), *n.* First plane used after saw or axe. [FORE-(6)]

fore-reach' (fōr-rēch'), *v.i. & t.* Shoot ahead; gain upon, pass. [FORE-(1)]

fore-rūn' (fōr-rūn'), *v.t.* (-*nn-*; -*ran*, -*run*). Be precursor of, foreshadow. Hence ~*n'ER*¹ (1, 2) *n.* [FORE-(1)]

fore'sail (fōr'sāil, -sāl), *n.* Principal sail on foremast (lowest square sail, or fore-&-aft bent on mast, or triangular before mast). [FORE-(5)]

foresee' (fōrsē'), *v.t.* (-*saw*, -*seen*). See beforehand, have prescience, of, (noun, or *that*); exercise foresight (obs. cxc. in ~*ING*³ *a.*, ~*INGLY*² *adv.*). [FORE-(2)]

foreshadow (fōrshād'ō), *v.t.* Prefigure, serve as type or presage of. [FORE-(2)]

fore-sheets (fōrshē-), *n. pl.* Inner part of bows of boat with gratings for bowman. [FORE-(5)]

fore'shore (fōrsh-), *n.* Part of shore between high & low water marks, or between water & land cultivated or built on. [FORE-(4)]

foreshort'en (fōrsh-), *v.t.* Show, portray, (object) with the apparent shortening due to visual perspective. [FORE-(1)]

foreshow' (fōrshō'), *v.t.* (p.p. ~*en*). Fore-tell; foreshadow, portend, prefigure. [OE *forseccean* *v.* see FORE-(1), SHOW]

fore'sight (fōr'sīt), *n.* Foreseeing, prevision; care for the future; front sight of gun. [FORE-(2, 3)]

fore'skin (fōrs-), *n.* Prepuce. [FORE-(3)]

fō'rēst, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Large tract covered with trees & undergrowth sometimes mixed with pasture, trees growing in it (lit., & fig. as a ~ of *masts*); (with proper name prefixed) district formerly ~ but now cultivated, as *Sherwood F~*; || (Law) unenclosed woodland district kept for hunting usu. owned by sovereign; ~*-tree*, of large growth fitted for ~. 2. *v.t.* Plant with trees, convert into ~; [OF, *f. med. L. forestis* (*silva* wood) outside (walls of park) *f. L. foris* outside]

fore'stall' (fōrstāw'), *v.t.* (Hist.) buy up (goods) in order to profit by enhanced price; be beforehand with in action, anticipate and so baffle; deal with before the regular time, anticipate. [*f. OE forestall* *n.* ambush, see FORE-(6), STALL¹]

fore'stay (fōrs-), *n.* Stay from foremast-head to ship's stem to support the foremast. [FORE-(5)]

fō'rēster, *n.* Officer in charge of forest, or

of growing timber; dweller in forest; (*F~*) member of the Ancient Order of *F~s* (friendly society); bird or beast of forest, e.g. New-Forest pony; kinds of moth. [*f. OF forestier* (FOREST, -IER)]

fō'rēstrý, *n.* Wooded country, forests; science & art of managing forests. [*f. OF foresterie* (FOREST, -ERY)]

fore'tāste' (fōr't-), *n.* Partial enjoyment or suffering (of) in advance, anticipation. [FORE-(2)]

foretāste'² (fōr't-), *v.t.* Taste beforehand, anticipate enjoyment etc. of. [FORE-(2)]

foretēll' (fōr-t-), *v.t.* (-*tōld*). Predict, prophesy; presage, be precursor of. [FORE-(2)]

fore'thought (fōr'thawt), *n.* Previous contriving, deliberate intention; provident care. [FORE-(6)]

fore'time (fōr-t-), *n.* The past, early days, old times. [FORE-(6)]

fore'token' (fōr't-), *n.* Sign of something to come, prognostic. [FORE-(6)]

foretōk'en² (fōr-t-), *v.t.* Portend, point to. [FORE-(2)]

fore'tōp (fōr-t-), *n.* TOP of foremast; *fore-top-gall'ant mast*, mast above *fore-top⁴ mast*, i.e. mast above foremast; *fore-topgall'ant-sail*, sail above *fore-top'sail*, i.e. sail above foresail. [FORE-(5)]

fore'type (fōr-t-), *n.* Typo of coming thing. [FORE-(2)]

forewarn' (fōrwōrn'), *v.t.* Warn beforehand (esp. in ~*ed* is *forearmed*). [FORE-(2)]

fore'woman (fōr'wōman), *n.* President & spokeswoman of jury of matrons; chief workwoman supervising others. [FORE-(3)]

fore'word (fōr'wōrd), *n.* Preface; introductory remarks, esp. by another than the author of the book etc. [from 1842; mod. formation of the anti-Latinists, cf. *G vorwort*; FORE-(3)]

fore'yard (fōr'yārd), *n.* Lowest yard on FOREMAST.

fōrf'eit (-*fit*), *n. & a.*, & *v.t.* 1. (Thing) lost owing to crime or fault (*his life was the ~ or was ~, his ~ life*); penalty for breach of contract or neglect, fine; trivial fine for breach of rules in clubs etc. or in games (*play ~s*), article surrendered by player in game of ~s to be redeemed by performing ludicrous task; forfeiture. 2. *v.t.* Lose right to, be deprived of, have to pay, as penalty of crime, neglect, etc., or as necessary consequence of something; hence ~*ABLE* *a.*, ~*URE* *n.*, (-*fit*-). [*f. OF forfeit* p.p. of *forfaire* *f. med. L. foris* *facere* transgress (*L. foris* outside, *facere* do)]

fōrf'end', *v.t.* Avert, keep off, (usu. in *God ~*). [FOR-(2)]

fōrf'icate, *a.* (zool.). Scissor-shaped. [*f. L. forfex* -*icis* scissors + -*ATE*²]

fōrgāth'er (-*dh-*), *v.i.* Assemble, meet together, associate, converse. [FOR-(6)]

for gave. See **FORGIVE**.

for ge¹, n. Smithy; blacksmith's hearth or fireplace with bellows; furnace or hearth for melting or refining metal, workshop containing it. [OF, f. L *fabrica* **FABRIC**]

for ge², v.t. & i. Shape by heating in fire and hammering; fabricate, invent, (tale, lie); make in fraudulent imitation, esp. write (document, signature) in order to pass off as written by another, whence **for ger¹** n. Hence **for geable** (-ja-) a. [f. OF *forgier* f. L *fabricare* **FABRICATE**]

for ge³, v.i. Make way, advance, gradually with difficulty, esp. ~ ahead, take lead in race, get start. [!]

for gery, n. Forging, counterfeiting, or falsifying, of document; spurious thing esp. document or signature. [**FORGE²**, -ERY]

for get¹ (-g-), v.t. & i. (-göt-, -götten & poet. -got-; -it-). Lose remembrance of or about (noun, that, how to, or abs.); neglect (usu. so do), inadvertently omit to bring or mention or attend to; put out of mind, cease to think of, (esp. *forgive* & ~); disregard, slight; ~ oneself, neglect one's own interests, act unbecomingly or unworthily, lose consciousness; ~-me-not, kinds of myosotis, esp. one with small yellow-eyed blue flowers (~-me-not blue as name of colour). Hence ~FUL a. (of), ~FULLY¹ adv., ~fulness n., ~t'ABLE a. [OE *forgetian* cf. G *vergessen* see **FOR**-(1), **GET**]

for giv¹e (-g-), v.t. (-gäve-, -gäven). Remit, let off, (debt, person debt); pardon (offence, offender, offender offence, or abs.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~e'NESS (-givn-) (~en + -NESS) n., ~'ING¹ a., ~ingly¹ adv., ~ingNESS n., (-g-). [OE *for giefan* see **FOR-(1), **GIVE**]**

for gō¹, v.t. (-wēnt-, -gone pr. -gawn). Abstain from, go without, let go, omit to take or use, relinquish. [OE *for gān* see **FOR**-(3), **GO**]

for k, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Pronged agricultural implement for digging, lifting, carrying, or throwing; two, three, or four, -pronged instrument used in eating at table or cooking; (also *tuning*-~) steel instrument giving when struck a fixed musical note; stake with ~ed end used as prop for vines etc.; ~ing, bifurcation, e.g. that of human legs, of diverging roads, or of branches; flash of ~ed lightning; hence ~Y¹ a. (poet.). 2. vb. Form ~, have or develop branches; lift, carry, dig, or throw with ~; (sl.) ~ out or over or up, hand over, pay. [OE *forca* f. L *furca*]

for ked (-kt), a. With fork or fork-like end, branching, divergent, cleft, (*three*-~ etc., with three etc. prongs); two-legged. [-ED¹]

for lorn¹, a. Desperate, hopeless, (cf. foll.); abandoned, forsaken, (poet.) deprived of, in pitiful condition, of wretched appearance. [p.p. of obs. *for lease*, OE *forleosan* see **FOR**-(1), **LOSE**]

for lorn² hōpe, n. Storming-party; desperate enterprise. [f. Du. *verloren hoop* lost troop (*hoop* = **HOP**)]

form¹, n. 1. Shape, arrangement of parts, visible aspect (esp. apart from colour), shape of body (*face* & ~). 2. Person or animal as visible or tangible (*saw a* ~, *the* ~ of ~, *before me*). 3. (Philos.) that which makes anything (*matter*) a determinate species (Scholastic), conditions of thing's existence by knowing which we can produce it (Baconian), formative principle holding together the elements of thing (Kantian). 4. Mode in which thing exists or manifests itself (*in, under, take, the* ~ of), species, kind, variety. 5. (Gram.) one of the shapes taken by a word in spelling, pronunciation, or inflexion, external characteristics of words apart from meaning. 6. || Class in most (esp. the Public) schools (usu. numbered from *sixth* down to *first*). 7. Arrangement & style in literary or musical composition. 8. Customary method (*in due* ~; *that is common* ~, is of no special significance), set order of words, formula, regularly drawn document, || document with blanks to be filled up. 9. Formality, mere piece of ceremony. 10. Behaviour according to rule or custom (*good, bad, ~, satisfying or offending current ideals*). 11. Condition of health & training (*in, out of, ~, fit or not for racing etc., of horses or athletes; lose one's* ~), good spirits (*was in great* ~). 12. Long seat without back, bench. 13. (Print.; || also ~e) body of type secured in chase for printing at one impression. 14. Hair's lair. [f. OF *forme* f. L *forma*]

form², v.t. & i. 1. Fashion, mould, (*into* certain shape; *after, by, from, upon, pattern; or abs.*); assume shape, become solid. 2. Mould by discipline, train, instruct, (person, or faculty etc.); embody, organize, *into* a company etc. 3. Frame, make, produce; articulate (word); conceive (idea, judgement); develop (habit); contract (alliance); be material of, make up, make one or part of. 4. (Gram.) construct (new word) by derivation, inflexion, etc. 5. (Mil. etc.) draw up (t. & i.; often *up*) in order, assume specified formation (~ **FOURS**, *line, column*). [f. OF *fourmer* f. L *formare* (prec.)]

form³, comb. form of **FORMIO** or **FORMYL**, as **formaldehyde**, a disinfectant & antiseptic, **formalin** a solution of this.

-form, suf. (in actual use ~form, see -r-) f. F -forme f. L -formis (**FORM¹**) giving adj]. (1) w. sense *having the form of* (*cruciform, cuneiform*), (2) referring to number of forms (*uniform, multiform, diversiform*). *Chloroform* does not contain this suf.

form⁴, a. 1. (Metaphys.) of the essence of a thing (~ **CAUSE¹**), essential not material; of the outward form, shape, appearance; arrangement; or external

qualities, (Log.) concerned with the form, not the matter, of reasoning. 2. Valid in virtue of its form, explicit and definite, not merely tacit. 3. Ceremonial, required by convention (a ~ call), perfunctory, having the form without the spirit; observant of forms, precise, prim, excessively regular or symmetrical, stiff, methodical, whence ~ISM(2), ~IST(2), nn., ~is'tic a. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *formalis* (FORM¹, -AL)]

fórmāl'itē, n. Conformity to rules, propriety; ceremony, elaborate procedure; formal or ceremonial act, requirement of etiquette or custom; being formal, precision of manners, stiffness of design. [f. L *formalitas* (prec., -RY)]

fórmāl'izē, v.t. Give definite shape or legal formality to; make ceremonious, precise, or rigid, imbue with formalism. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

fórm'at (-ah), n. Shape & size of book. [F]

fórmā'tion, n. Forming, being formed; thing formed; arrangement of parts, structure, (Mil.) disposition of troops; a number of aircraft engaged in an operation, whence *fórm'āte¹ v.i., (of aircraft) fly in(to) ~; (Geol.) assemblage of rocks or series of strata having some common characteristic. [f. L *formatio* (FORM², -ATION)]

fórm'ative, a. & n. Serving to fashion, of formation; (Gram., of flexional & derivative suffixes and prefixes) used in forming words, (n.) ~ element. [OF (-if, -ive) see FORM², -ATIVE]

|| **fórmē**, n. (print.). See FORM¹.

fórm'er, a. & pron. Of the past or an earlier period (*in ~ times*; *more like her ~ self*; *our ~ haunts*), whence ~LY² adv.; *the ~* (with noun, or oftener as pron. with possessive the ~s), the first or first mentioned of two (opp. LATTER). [back-formation f. *formest* FOREMOST; from 12th c.]

fórm'ic, a. (chem.). ~ic acid, colourless irritant volatile acid contained in fluid emitted by ants. Hence fórm'ate² [-ATE²(3)], ~ENE, ~YL, nn. [for *formicic* f. L *formica* ant + IC]

fórmicā'tion, n. Sensation as of ants crawling over the skin. [f. L *formicatio-onis* tingling, f. *formica* ant]

fórm'idab'le, a. To be dreaded; likely to be hard to overcome, resist, or deal with. Hence ~LESSNESS n., ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *formidabilis* (formidare fear, -ABLE)]

fórm'lēss, a. Shapeless, without determinate or regular form. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

fórm'ül, a, n. (pl. -ae, -as). Set form of words, definition, enunciation of principle, statement prescribed for use on some occasion; rule unintelligently followed, conventional usage or belief, whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~is'tic a.;

recipe; principle serving to accommodate differences of aim or opinion (*diplomats seeking a ~a*); (Math.) rule or principle in algebraic symbols; (Chem.) expression by symbols of substance's constituents; tabulation of certain facts by symbols & figures. Hence ~ARIZE(3) [through obs. ~ar a.], ~IZE(3), v.v.t. = FORMULATE, ~ARIZ-A'TION, ~IZ-A'TION, nn. [L, dim. of *forma* FORM¹]

fórm'ülär'y, n. & a. Collection of formulas; document or book of set forms esp. for belief or ritual; (adj.) in or of formulas. [f. F *formulaire* f. neut. of L *formularius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

fórm'ül'āte, v.t. Reduce to, express in, a formula; set forth systematically. Hence ~A'TION n. [FORMULA + -ATE²]

fórn'icātē, v.i. Commit fornication. So ~OR² n. [f. L *fornicari* (*fornix* -icis brothel), -ATE²]

fórnica'tion, n. Voluntary sexual intercourse between man (occas. restricted to unmarried man) & unmarried woman (cf. *adultery*). [OF, f. LL *fornicationem* (prec., -ION)]

|| **fórnep'd** (-nd), a. (arch.). Wasted by hunger, torture, etc. [p.p. of obs. *fornepine* see FOR-(5)]

fórrader. See FORWARD².

fórrēl. See FOREL.

fórsāke', v.t. (-sōk, -sōken). Give up, break off from, renounce; withdraw one's help, friendship, or companionship from, desert, abandon. [earlier senses *deny*, *repudiate*, *refuse*; OE *forsacan* f. FOR-(3) + *sacan* contend]

fórsōth', adv. Truly, in truth, no doubt, (used parenthetically always in irony). [OE *forsōth* (FOR, SOTH)]

|| **fórspeñt'**, a. (arch.). Tired out. [p.p. of obs. *forspend* see FOR-(5), SPEND]

fórswear' (-wā), v.t. (-swōfe, -swōfn). Abjure, renounce on oath; ~ oneself, swear falsely, perjure oneself; (p.p.) perjured. [OE *forswerian*, see FOR-(3, 1), SWEAR]

fórsyth'ia, n. (Kinds of) spring-flowering ornamental shrub bearing bright-yellow flowers. [f. W. *Forsyth* (d. 1804), English botanist, + -IA¹]

fórt, n. Fortified place (usu. single building or set of connected military buildings, cf. FORTRESS); trading-station, orig. fortified (hist.). [F, abs. use of *fort* strong f. L *fortis*]

fórt'alice, n. (Arch. & poet.) fortress; (mod.) small outwork of fortification, small fort. [f. mod. L *fortalitia* (L *fortis* strong)]

fórtē, n. Person's strong point; (Fenc.) sword-blade from hilt to middle (cf. FOIBLE). [f. F *fort* abs. use of adj. = strong; fem. form ignorantly adopted for masc., cf. *morale*, *locale*]

fórt'é, mus. direction (abbr. *f.*). Loud; ~ ~ (abbr. *f.*), very loud; ~ *piano* (abbr. *fp.*), loud & then immediately soft. [It.]

forth, adv. & prep. 1. Forwards (now only in *back & ~*, to & fro); onwards in time (now only in *from this time ~*, & in comb. as *hence~*); forward, into view, (*bring, come, show, etc.*, ~); out from home etc. (*sail, issue, ~*); out of doors (*cast ~*); & so ~, & so on, & the like; *so far ~*, to that extent; *so far ~ as*, to whatever extent. 2. prep. (arch.). From out of. [cf. G *fort* (root of *FORN*² + suf. *-to-*)]

forthcom'ing (-kū), a. About or likely to come forth; approaching; ready to be produced when wanted. [prec., *COME*, -ING¹]

forthright' (-rit), adv., **forth'right** (-rit), a. & n. 1. adv. Straightforward; straightway. 2. adj. Going straight; outspoken, unswerving; decisive, dextrous. 3. n. (arch.). Straight course (*s's & meanders*). [FORTH + RIGHT a. & adv.]

forthwith' (-th, -dh), adv. Immediately, without delay. [for *forth* with used abs.]

fortifica'tion, n. Fortifying; strengthening of wine with alcohol; (Mil.) providing, art or science of providing, with defensive works, (usu. pl.) defensive work(s), wall(s), earthwork(s), tower(s), etc. [F, f. L *fortificationem* act of strengthening (foll., -ATION)]

fort'ify, v.t. & i. Strengthen structure of; impart vigour or physical strength or endurance to, strengthen mentally or morally, encourage; strengthen (liquors) with alcohol; corroborate, confirm, (statement); provide (town, army, oneself) with defensive works; erect fortifications. Hence ~TABLE a. [f. F *fortifier* f. L *fortificare* (fortis strong, -FY)]

fortiss'imū, mus. direction (abbr. *ff.*, *for.*, *fortiss.*). Very loud. [It.]

fortiter. See *SUAVERE*.

fort'itude, n. Courage in pain or adversity. [F, f. L *fortitudo* (fortis strong, -TUD)]

fort'night (-nit), n. Period of two weeks (*today, this day, Monday, etc.*, ~, a ~ from today etc.; *would rather keep him etc. a week than a ~*, he etc. is a large eater). [OE *feorvertigne* nihi fourteen nights]

fort'nightly (-it), a. & adv. (Happening, appearing) once every fortnight. [-LY^{1,2}]

fort'ress, n., & v.t. Military stronghold, esp. strongly fortified town fit for large garrison; (vb, poet.) serve as ~ to, protect. [f. OE *forteresse* strength, strong place, f. *fort* see FORT]

fortu'ritism, **fortu'ritist**, nn. Belief, believer, in chance & natural causes, not design, as causing adaptations in nature (cf. *teleology*, -ist). [foll., -ISM, -IST]

fortu'ritous, a. Due to or characterized by chance, accidental, casual. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *fortuitus* (fors -tis chance) + -OUS]

fortu'ity, n. Fortuitousness; a chance occurrence; accident; unstudied or unintended character. [f. L as prec. (for *fortuitus*)]

fort'unate, a. Favoured by fortune, lucky, prosperous; auspicious, favourable. [f. L *fortunatus* (FORTUNE², -AT²)]

fort'unately (-tli), adv. Luckily, successfully, (esp. as parenthesis qualifying whole sentence - it is a fortunate thing that). [-LY²]

fortune¹ (-chōn, -tūn), n. Chance, hap, luck, as a power in men's affairs (*F~*, this power personified as goddess; *try the ~ of war*, see what it will bring, risk it; *SOLDIER of ~*); luck good or bad that falls to anyone or to an enterprise etc. (In sing. or pl.; *try one's ~*, take some risky step), coming lot (*tell person his ~*, *tell ~s*, of gipsies etc., whence ~TÉLLER² n.); good luck; prosperity, prosperous condition, wealth, (*make one's ~*, prosper; *make a ~*, become rich; *spent a small ~ on it*, large sum; *marry a ~*, heiress), whence ~LESS (-nl-) a.; ~hunter, man seeking rich wife. [F, f. L *fortuna* cogn. w. *fors* -tis chance & *ferre* bring]

fortune² (-chōn, -tūn), v.i. (arch. & poet.). Chance, occur, (esp. impers., *it ~d that*); come by chance upon. [f. OF *fortuner* f. L *fortunare* make fortunate (prec.)]

fort'y, a. & n. 1. Four times ten, 40, XL, (~one, ~first, etc.; ~ *winks*, short nap esp. after dinner); hence **fort'isth** a. & n. 2. n. Age of ~ years (*after ~*, *over ~*; *the forties*, years of life or century between 39 & 50; *HUNGRY Forties*; *roaring forties*, stormy ocean tracts between lat. 39° & 50° S.; || *the Forties*, sea area between N.E. coast of Scotland and S.W. coast of Norway (so named from its depth of ~ fathoms or more); || ~PENNY nail; *the F~five*, Jacobite rebellion of 1745. [OE *feowertig* cf. G *vierzig* (FOUR, -TY²)]

fort'urn, n. (Rom. Ant.) public place, market-place, place of assembly for judicial & other business, esp. at Rome; place of public discussion; court, the law courts, (fig. *the ~ of conscience* etc.). [L]

for'ward¹, a. & n. 1. (Naut.) belonging to fore part of ship; lying in one's line of motion (*the ~ horizon*), onward or towards the front (*the ~ path*; ~ *play* in cricket, see foll.; ~ *movement*, special effort at political etc. progress; ~ *school, party, opinions*, advanced or extreme). 2. (Commerc.) relating to future produce (~ *contract*). 3. Advanced, progressing to maturity or completion, (of plant, crop, season) well advanced or early; ready, prompt, eager, (often to do); precocious; presumptuous, pert, whence ~LY² adv.; hence ~NESS n. 4. n. One of the first-line players in football, hockey, etc. [OE *forweard* (FORN², -WARD), a.]

for'ward²(s), adv. (-d is added below to senses in which the -s form is rare or not used). Towards the future, continuously onwards; (-d; *from this time ~*; *look ~*, ahead; *CARRIAGE ~*; *date ~*, of commercial

orders, post-date). 2. Towards the front in the direction one is facing, (Cricket; -d) *play*~, reach~ to play short-pitched ball; with continuous ~ motion (*pushing* ~), (Mil., as word of command, -d, = go ~, advance). 3. In advance, ahead, (-d; *send him* ~); *backward(s)* & ~, to & fro; to the front, into prominence, (-d; *bring* ~, draw attention to; *come* ~, offer oneself for task, post, etc.; *put* or *set* ~, allege, make oneself too conspicuous). 4. (Naut.; -d) to, at, in, fore part of ship. 5. Onward so as to make progress (-d; *go* ~, be going on, progress; *can't get any forward*, or usu. colloq. *forrader*, make no progress). [OE *foreweard*, prob. neut. acc. of prec.]

for'ward², v.t. Help forward, promote; accelerate growth of; send (letter etc.) on to further destination, (loosely) dispatch (goods etc.). [f. prec.]

|| **forwear**¹ (-id), **forworn**¹, aa. (arch.). Tired out. [FOR(-s), WEARY, WEAR², vv.]

fösse, n. Long narrow excavation, canal, ditch, trench, esp. in fortification; (Anat.) groove, depression, also **fössette**¹ n. [F, f. L *fossa* orig. fem. p.p. of *fodere* dig]

föss'ick, v.i. (sl.). Rummage, search about. [dial. wd current in Austral. gold-mining = search in crevices or abandoned workings]

föss'il, a. & n. Found buried, dug up, (~ *fuel* etc.; now rare); (thing) preserved in strata of earth with more or less chemical or other change of texture & recognizable as remains of plant or animal of past (usu. prehistoric) ages (~ *bones*, *shells*, *ivory*; *hunting for* ~s; also fig., as *words are* ~ *thoughts*); (person or thing) belonging to the past, antiquated, incapable of further development. Hence ~ATE² v.t., ~ATION n., ~IFEROUS a., ~IZE³ v.t. & i., ~IZATION n. [f. F *fossile* f. L *fossilis* (*fodere* foss- dig, -II)]

fössor'ial, a. (zool.). Burrowing; used in burrowing. [f. L *fossorius* (*fossor* digger f. *fodere* see prec., -OR²) + -AL]

fös'ter¹, n. Food (obs. exc. in comb., as ~child, ~father, ~mother, ~parent, ~son, ~daughter, ~brother, ~sister, = having the specified relationship not by blood, but in virtue of nursing or bringing up); acting or treated as —; ~mother, (also) = IN-CUBATOR. [OE *fōstor* (FOOD, suf. -tro-)]

fös'ter², v.t. (Arch.) tend affectionately, cherish, keep warm (in bosom), promote growth of; encourage or harbour (feeling); (of circumstances) be favourable to. Hence ~ER¹, fös'tress¹, nn. [f. prec.]

fös'terage, n. Fostering; custom of employing foster-mothers. [-AGE]

fös'terling, n. Foster-child, nursing, protégé. [OE *fōsterling* (FOSTER¹, -LING¹)]

föngasse (föngahs), n. Improvised mortar excavated in the ground, charged with stones, bits of iron, etc., and fired by gunpowder. [F]

fought. See FIGHT¹.

foul, a., n., adv., & v.i. & t. 1. Offensive to the senses, loathsome, stinking, (~ *brood*, a disease of larval bees); dirty, soiled (~ *linen*), filthy; (sl.) revolting, disgusting; defaced with corrections (~ *copy*); charged with noxious matter (~ *air*, *water*); clogged, choked, (~ *gun-barrel*); (of ship's bottom) overgrown with weed, barnacles, etc.; morally polluted, obscene, disgustingly abusive, (*the* ~ *fiend*, the devil; ~ *deed*, *motive*, *talk*; ~mouthed, -tongued); (of fish at br after spawning) in bad condition; ugly (now dial. exc. in *fair* or ~); unfail, against rules of game etc., (~ *blow*, *stroke*, *riding*; ~ *play*, in games, & fig. treachery); (of weather) wet, rough, stormy; (of wind) contrary; in collision (FALL¹ ~ of); entangled (*rope is* ~). 2. n. Something ~ (*through* ~ & *fair*, through everything); collision, entanglement, esp. in riding, rowing, or running, irregular stroke or piece of play. 3. adv. In irregular way (*hit him* ~; *play one* ~, deal treacherously with him). 4. vb. Become ~, get clogged; make ~ or dirty; pollute with guilt, dishonour; cause (anchor, cable) to become entangled, jam or block (crossing, railway line, traffic); become entangled; run ~ of, collide with. [OE *fū* cf. G *faul* f. Aryan *pu-* stink, rot, cf. G *puen*, L *pus*; the v.i. f. OE *fūlian*]

foul'ard (fōl'ahr), n. Thin flexible material of silk or silk & cotton; handkerchief of it. [F]

foulé (fōlā), n. Light woollen dress material with glossy surface. [F, = pressed (cloth), p.p. of *fouler* FULL¹]

foul'ly (-li), adv. Abominably, cruelly, wickedly (*was* ~ *murdered*); with unmerited insult (~ *slandered*). [-LY²]

foul'ness, n. Foul condition; foul matter; disgusting wickedness. [-NESS]

foum'art (fō-), n. Polecat. [ME *fulmard* (FOUL, *meart* marten)]

found¹, v.t. & i. Lay base of (building etc.); be original builder, begin building, of (town, edifice); set up, establish (esp. with endowment), originate, initiate, (institution); construct, base, (tale, one's fortunes, classification, rule, etc.) (*upon*) some ground, support, principle, etc. (*also is* ~ed in *justice* etc.; *well*, *ill*, etc., ~ed, reasonable, justified, baseless, etc.); rely, base oneself, (of argument etc.) be based, (*upon*). [f. F *fonder* f. L *fundare* (fundus bottom)]

found², v.t. Melt & mould (metal), fuse (materials for glass); make (thing of molten metal, glass) by melting. So **foun'dry**³ n. [f. F *fondre* f. L *fundere* fus- pour]

found³. See FND.

founda'tion, n. Establishing, constituting on permanent basis, esp. of an endowed institution; such institution, e.g.

monastery, college, or hospital (on the ~, entitled to benefit by its funds, whence || ~ER¹ (-shon-) n.), or its revenues; solid ground or base, natural or artificial, on which building rests, lowest part of building usu. below ground-level; basis, ground-work, underlying principle, (report has no ~; base religion on a moral ~); body or ground on which other parts are overlaid, e.g. under-skirt, first set of stitches in crochet or knitting; ~muslin, -net, gummed fabrics for stiffening dresses & bonnets; ~school, endowed; ~stone, esp. one laid with ceremony to celebrate founding of edifice. [f. L *fundatio* (FOUND¹, -ATION)]

foun'der¹, n. In vbl senses of FOUND¹; esp., one who founds institutions (|| ~'s kin, relatives of ~ entitled to election or preference); ~'s shares, shares issued to ~s of public company as part-consideration for business taken over, & separate from ordinary capital. Hence ~SHIP, foun'dress¹, nn. [-ER¹]

foun'der², n. In vbl senses of FOUND². [-ER¹]

foun'der³, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of earth, building, etc.) fall down or in, give way; (of horse; or with rider substituted as subject) fall from overwork, collapse, fall lame, stick fast in bog etc.; cause (horse) to break down by overwork; (of ship) fill with water & sink, cause (ship) to do this; (Golf) hit (ball) into ground. 2. n. Inflammation of horse's foot from overwork; (also chest, body, ~) rheumatism of chest-muscles in horses. [f. OF *fondrer* submerge, collapse, (L *fundus* bottom)]

foun'dling, n. Deserted infant of unknown parents. [p.p. of FIND + -LING¹]

fount¹, n. (poet. or rhet.). Spring, source, fountain; (shop) reservoir of oil in lamp or of ink in pen. [f. L *fons* -tis on anal. of *mount*; from late 16th c.]

|| **fount²**, n. (print.). Set of type of same face & size. [f. F *fonte* (*fondre* FOUND²)]

foun'tain (-tin), n. Water-spring; source of river etc. (also fig., *Crown is the ~ of honour*; *poison the ~s of trust*); jet of water made to spout, structure provided for it, (also *drinking~*) public erection with constant supply of drinking-water; reservoir in lamp, printing-press, etc., for oil, ink, etc. (~pen, having this); ~head, original source. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-Ind) a. [f. OF *fontaine* f. LL *fontana* orig. fem. of L *fontanus* adj. (FOUNT¹, -AN)]

four (fôr), a. & n. 1. One more than three, 4, IV, (~ corners of earth etc., remotest parts; ~ corners of document etc., its scope; *within the ~ seas*, in Gt Britain; ~ figures, some number from 1000 to 9999; twenty etc. ~ or ~&-twenty etc.; ~&-twentieth etc.); (ellipt.) ~ hours (~ o'clock), ~ horses (carriage etc. & ~); || ~-ale (Hist.), sold at 4d. a quart; ~ by two, rifle pull-through cloth; ~-coupled, with ~ coupled

wheels; ~-course, with fourfold rotation (of crops); ~-DIMENSIONAL; *~-flusher (al.), bluffer, humbug [orig. Poker term]; ~-footed, humped (adj.); || ~-foot way, space (4 ft. 8½ in.) between pair of rails; ~ FREEDOM; ~-handed, (of monkeys) quadrumanous, (of games) for ~ persons, (of piece of music) for two players; ~ horse(d), drawn by ~ horses; ~-in-hand, vehicle with ~ horses & no outrider (also adv., drive etc. ~-in-hand); ~oar, (boat) with ~ oars; ~ o'clock, the plant *Marvel* of Peru; ~-part, arranged for ~ voices to sing; ~pence, sum or coin = 4d.; ~penny, costing 4d., silver coin = 4d.; ~-post (of bed), having ~ posts to support canopy, ~-poster, such bed, (also) 4-masted ship; ~-pounder, gun throwing 4 lb. shot; ~-rowed barley, with ~ rows of awns; ~-score, eighty, age of 80 years; ~-square, square-shaped, solidly based or steady; ~-stroke (attrib. of internal-combustion engines), having a cycle of ~ strokes (intake, compression, combustion, and exhaust); ~-wheel, ~-wheeled carriage; hence ~-wheeler, ~-wheeled hackney carriage; hence ~FOLD a. & adv., ~TEEN¹ a., ~TEENTH¹ a. & n., (fôr-). 2. n. The number ~; set of ~ persons or things, esp. ~-pipped card, domino, or side of die, ~-oared boat & crew (~s, races for these), hit etc. at cricket for ~ runs; on all ~s (earlier ~ = ~ limbs), crawling on hands & knees, (also, fig.) completely analogous or corresponding (the cases are not on all ~s; is the simile on all ~s with the thing illustrated?); (Mil.; pl.) formation ~ deep usu. faced flankwards (~s right or left) for marching (FORM¹ ~s); ~-pennyworth of spirits (Hist.); (pl.) ~-per-cent. stock. [Aryan; OE *fower*, cf. Du. & G *vier*, Gk *tessares*, L *quatuor*]

fourgon (fôr'gawn), n. Luggage-van. [F]

Four'ierism (fôr-), n. Fourier's system for reorganization of society (PHALANSTERY). [Charles Fourier, French socialist, 1772-1837]

four'some (fôr-), n. Game of golf between two pairs. [FOUR, -SOME; orig. adj.]

fourth (fôr-), a. & n. 1. Next after third (the, a, ~, ellipt. as n., esp. = 4th day of month; ~ part, quarter); ~ESTATE. 2. n. Quarter, ~ part; (Mus.) interval of which the span involves four alphabetical notes, harmonic combination of notes thus separated; F~ of June, principal annual celebration at Eton College, speech-day and procession of boats; F~ of July, U.S. anniversary of declaration of Independence; ~ party (Hist.), Lord R. Churchill, Sir H. D. Wolf, Sir J. Gorst, Mr Balfour, and a few other Conservatives who (1880-5) attacked impartially the Liberal Government & the Conservative front bench; (pl.) articles of ~ quality. [OE *fóortha* cf. G *vierte*, Gk *tetartos*, L *quartus*]

fourthly (fɔ:θ), adv. In the fourth place (in enumerations). [-LY²]

fowl, n., & v.i. 1. Bird (rare), birds (rare) in wild~, their flesh as food (only in *fish, flesh, &c.*); domestic cock or hen (often qualified, as *barndoor* ~, *game*, *guinea*, ~; || ~-run, place where ~s may run, breeding establishment for ~s), its flesh as food. 2. v.i. Catch, hunt, shoot, or snare, wild~, whence ~ER¹, ~ING¹, nn.; ~ing-piece, light gun used in ~ing. [com.-Teut.; OE *fugel* cf. G *vogel* perh. by dissim. f. ⁺*fluglo* (-*flug*-FLY²)]

fōx¹, n. (fem. VIXEN, also *bitch*~). Red-furred sharp-snouted bushy-tailed quadruped preserved in England as beast of chase & proverbial for cunning; crafty person; northern constellation; FLYING~; ~ & geese, game played on board; ~brush, tail of ~; ~EARTH¹; ~glove, tall purple or white flowered plant; ~hole (Mil.), hole in ground used as shelter against missiles or as firing-point; ~hound, kind bred & trained to hunt ~es; ~hunt n. & v.i., chasing of, chase, ~ with hounds, whence ~hunter¹ n.; ~hunting a. & n., (given to) this sport; ~tail, ~s tail, kinds of grass; ~terrier, short-haired for unearthing ~, but kept chiefly as pet; ~trot, an American dance. [com.-Tout.; cf. G *fuchs*]

fōx², v.i. & t. Act craftily, dissemble; discolour (leaves of book, engraving, etc.) with brownish spots (esp. in p.p.); (sl.) deceive, trick. [f. prec.]

fōx³/y, a. Fox-like, crafty(-looking); reddish-brown, (Paint.) over-hot in colour; damaged with mildew etc. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

|| **foyer** (fwaɪ'ya), n. Large room in theatre etc. for audience's use during interval. [F]

fra¹ (-ah), n. = FRA¹ as prefixed title. [It.]

frāc¹ as (-ah), n. (pl. same). Noisy quarrel, row. [F, f. It. *fracasso* uproar]

frāc²tion, n. 1. Dividing of Eucharistic bread. 2. (Arith.) numerical quantity that is not an integer, one or more aliquot parts, (*vulgar* ~, expressed by numerator above & denominator below a line; DECIMAL ~; *proper, improper* ~, with numerator less, greater, than denominator). 3. Small piece or amount, scrap, (esp. not a ~). Hence ~AL (-al *distillation*, partial separation of liquids having different boiling-points by gradual heating), ~ARY¹, aa., (-shon-). [f. OF *fractio* f. eool. L *fractionem* (L *frangere* *fract-*break, -ION)]

frāc³tionāte (-shon-), v.t. Separate (mixture) into portions of different properties by distillation etc. [prec. + -ATE¹]

frāc⁴tionise (-shon-), v.t. Break up into fractions (Math.), or portions. [-ISE]

frāc⁵tionous (-shus), a. Unruly, cross, peevish. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-).

frāc⁶tion in obs. sense brawling + -OUS, *frāc*⁶tionous etc.]

frāc⁷ture, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Breaking, breakage, esp. of bone or cartilage (COMPOUND² ~); surface shown by mineral when broken with hammer; substitution of diphthong, diphthong substituted, for simple vowel owing to influence of following consonant. 2. vb. Cause ~ in, break continuity of, crack (t. & i.). [F, f. L *fractura* (FRACTION, -URE)]

fraen¹um, frē-, n. (pl. -na). Small ligament checking motion of organ. [L, = bridle]

frāg¹ile, a. Easily snapped or shattered, weak, perishable, of delicate frame or constitution. So *fragil*¹ity n. [F, f. L *fragilis* (*frag-* root of *frangere* break)]

frāg²ment, n. Part broken off, detached piece; isolated or incomplete part, remainder of lost or destroyed whole, esp. extant remains or unfinished portion of a writing or work of art. Hence ~ARY¹ a., ~ATION n. (~ation bomb, one breaking up into small ~s when exploded). [f. L *fragmentum* (as prec., -MENT)]

frāg³rant, a. Sweet-smelling. So *frāg*⁴rance n. [f. L *fragrans* smell sweet, -ANT]

frail¹, n. Rush basket for packing figs, raisins, etc. [f. OF *frayel* etym. dub.]

frail², a. Fragile; transient (~ life, bias, etc.); in weak health; morally weak, unable to resist temptation, (euphem. of women) unchaste. [f. OF *fraille* FRAGILE]

frail³ty, n. Liability to err or yield to temptation; fault, weakness, foible. [f. OF *frailled* f. L *fragilitatem* (FRAGILE, -TY)]

fraise¹ (-z), n. (fortif.). Horizontal or down-sloping palisade round berm. [F, orig. = mesentery of calf]

fraise² (-z), n. Tool for enlarging circular hole or cutting teeth in watch wheels. [F (*fraisier* enlarge hole f. *fraise* as prec.)]

frāmboes'ia (-bōz-), n. Chronic contagious negro disease with raspberry-like swellings, the yaws. [mod. L, f. F *framboise* raspberry perh. f. Du. *braambezie* (BRAMBLE, BERRY)]

frāme¹, v.t. & i. Shape, direct, dispose, (thoughts, acts, another person) to a purpose (*for, to, to do, or with adv.*); give promise of being skilful etc. (usu. *well*); adapt, fit, *to or into*; construct by combination of parts or adaptation to design, contrive, devise, invent, compose, express, (complex article, plot, rule, story, theory); articulate (words); conceive, imagine; [f. foll.] set in a frame, serve as frame for (*landscape ~ed in an archway*), whence ~ING¹(3) n.; (orig. U.S. sl.) concoct false charge against, devise plot with regard to; ~e up (orig. U.S. sl.), pre-arrange (event) with sinister intent, fake result of (race, election, etc.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [OE *framian* be helpful (*fram* forward cf. FROM)]

frāme², n. Construction, constitution, build; established order, plan, system, (*the ~ of society or government*); *fram-*

porary state (of mind); framed work or structure (*the ~ of heaven or earth*), human or animal body (*sobs shook her ~*, *man of gigantic ~*); skeleton of building, underlying support or essential substructure of anything; case or border enclosing picture, pane of glass, etc., whence ~LESS (-ml-) a.; (Gardening) glazed portable box-like structure protecting plants from cold; || (Mining) inclined board for washing ore; (Snooker) triangular ~ for setting up balls, balls so set up, round of play during which balls are pocketed; ~ *aerial*, revolving aerial composed of rectangles or loops of wire, adapted for directional reception; ~-house, of wooden skeleton covered with boards; ~-saw, stretched in ~ to make it rigid; ~-up, conspiracy; ~-work, ~, substructure, upon or into which casing or contents can be put (lit., fig.). [f. prec.]

frānc, n. Standard unit of French currency, before the 1914-18 war a silver coin of about 94d., after depreciation stabilized 1928 at 125 to £1, 1951 at 980 to £1. [F, perh. f. *Francorum Rex* king of the FRANKS, legend on earliest coin so called (gold=10/6)]

frān'chise (-z), n. (Chiefly hist. & U.S.) legal immunity or exemption from some burden or jurisdiction, privilege or exceptional right, granted to person, corporation, etc.; full membership of corporation or State, citizenship; right of voting at public elections esp. for member of Parliament, principle of qualification for this (FANCY ~). [OF *franc* FRANK², -ISE]

Frāncis'can, a. & n. (Friar) of the order founded 1209 by St Francis of Assisi; of the ~s. [f. med. L *Franciscus* Francis + -AN]

Frānc'o-, comb. form of med. L *Franci* the Franks, now used = French- &, as ~German. Hence ~PHIL(N), ~PHONE, nn. & aa. [FRANK¹, -O-]

frānc'olin, n. Kind of partridge resembling pheasant. [F, f. It. *francolino*]

franc tireur (see Ap.), n. (pl. -cs -rs). Man of irregular light-infantry corps; a guerrilla fighter. [F]

frān'gible (-j-), a. Breakable, fragile. [ult. f. LL *frangibilis* f. L *frangere* to break]

frān'gipāne, -āni, (-j-), n. (Perfume of red jasmine; kind of almond cream or paste. [F, prob. f. *Frangipant*, maker]

Frānk¹, n. One of the Germanic nation or coalition that conquered France in 8th c.; (in Levantine use) person of Western nationality. Hence ~ISE¹ a. [f. L *Francus* f. OEG *Franko* perh. f. weapon (OE *franca* javelin)]

frānk², a. Ingenious, open, candid, outspoken; undisguised, avowed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *franc* f. med. L *francus* free f. prec. (full freedom being confined to the Franks)]

frānk³, v.t., & n. 1. (Hist.) superscribe (letter etc.) with signature ensuring gratis conveyance; facilitate coming & going of (person), give social passport to; convey (person) gratuitously; exempt from future payment etc. (a ~ing duty, *imposition*). 2. n. (hist.). ~ing signature, ~ed cover. [f. prec. in obs. sense *free of charge*]

Frānk'enstein (-tin), n. ~'s monster, thing that becomes formidable to the person who has created it. [M. W. Shelley, *Frankenstein*]

Frānk'fort blāck, n. Fine black pigment used in copperplate engraving. [German town]

***frānk'furt(er) (-ter-)**, n. Highly seasoned German sausage. [f. *Frankfurt* German town]

frānk'incēse, n. Aromatic gum resin (prop. from trees of genus *Boswellia*) used for burning as incense. [f. OF *francencens* (FRANK³ in obs. sense *luculent*, INCENSE²)]

frānk'lin, n. (hist.). Land-owner of free but not noble birth in 14th & 15th co. [FRANK³, perh. -LING¹]

frānk'plēdge, n. (hist.). System by which each member of tithing was responsible for every other (also rarely fig., e.g. of relation between members of a Government). [AE *franc plega* (FRANK³, PLEDGE), perh. mistransl. of OE *frithborh* peace-pledge (not free-pledge)]

frān'tic, a. Wildly excited, beside oneself with rage, pain, grief, etc.; showing frenzy, uncontrolled. Hence ~ICALLY, ~ICLY², adv. [f. OF *frenetique* f. LL *phreneticus* f. Gk *phrenitikos* (*phrenitis* f. *phrēn* -ēnos brain)]

frāp, v.t. (naut.). (-pp-). Bind tightly. [f. OF *fraper* bind, strike]

frāppé (-āp'), a. (Esp. of wines) iced, cooled. [p.p. of F *frapper* strike]

frāss, n. Excrement of larvae; refuse left by boring insects. [f. G *frass* (*frassen* devour)]

frat'e (-ah'tā), n. (pl. -tē pr. -tē). Friar. [It.]

frāt'er, n. (hist.). -REFECTORY. [f. OF *fratru* as REFECTORY]

fratēr'n'al, a. (As) of brother(s), brotherly. [f. L *fraternus* (*frater* brother) + -AL]

fratēr'n'ity, n. Being fraternal, brotherliness; religious body; guild, company with common interests, set of men of same class etc. [f. OF *fraternité* f. L *fraternitas* (prec., -TY)]

frāt'ernizē, v.I. Associate, make friends, behave as intimates, (*with, together*, or abs.). So ~ATION n. [f. F *fraterniser* (L *fraternus* FRATERNAL, -IZE)]

frāt'ricidē, n. Killing of one's, one who kills his, brother or sister. Hence ~AL a. [F, f. L *fratricidium*, -cida, (*frater* brother, -CIDERE)]

frāu (frāw), n. (Of German wife or widow) Mrs; German woman. [G]

fraud, *n.* Deceitfulness (rare); criminal deception, use of false representations, (in Law, in ~, to the ~, of, so as to defraud); dishonest artifice or trick (*pious* ~, deception intended to benefit deceived, & esp. to strengthen religious belief); person or thing not fulfilling expectation or description. [f. OF *fraude* f. L *fraudem* nom. *fraus*]

fraud'ulent, *a.* Guilty of, of the nature of, characterized or effected by, fraud. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE *n.*, ~ENTLY¹ *adv.* [OF, f. L *fraudulentus* (prec., ~ULENT)]

fraught (*frawt*), *a.* Stored, equipped, with (poet.); (fig.) ~ with, involving, attended with, full of, threatening or promising, destined to produce, woe, danger, meaning, etc. [p.p. of obs. *fraught* v. load with cargo (obs. *fraught* cargo prob. f. MDu. *vracht* FREIGHT)]

fräul'ein (*froil'in*), *n.* (Of German spinster) Miss (with surname; also alone as voc.); German spinster; German governess. [G]

Fraun'höfer (*frown-*) *lines*, *n. pl.* The dark lines in the solar spectrum. [J. von Fraunhofer, Bavarian optician (d. 1826)]

fräxini'll'a, *n.* Kinds of garden dittany. [mod. L, dim. of L *fraxinus* ash]

fray', *n.* Noisy quarrel, brawl; fight, conflict, (lit. or fig.; *eager for the* ~). [for AFFRAY]

fray', *v. t. & i.* (Of deer) ~ *head*, or ~, rub velvet off new horns; wear through by rubbing, ravel out edge or end of, (usu. woven material); become ragged at edge. [f. F *frayer* f. L *fricare* rub]

fräzil', *n.* (Canad. & U.S.). Anchor-ice, ice at bottom of stream. [perh. f. F *frasil* cinders]

***fräz'le**, *n.* Worn or exhausted state (esp. worn, beaten, to a ~). [perh. as FRAY¹]

freak, *n.* Caprice, vagary; capriciousness (out of mere ~); product of sportive fancy; (also ~ of nature) monstrosity, abnormally developed specimen. Hence ~ISH¹ *a.*, ~ishly¹ *adv.*, ~ishness *n.* [from 16th c.; etym. dub.; cf. OE *frician* to dance] **freaked** (-kt), *a.* Oddly flecked or streaked. [-ED¹]

fräc'kle, *n.*, & *v. t. & i.* 1. Light brown spot on skin, (pl.) sporadic sunburn. 2. vb. Spot, be spotted, with ~s. [earlier *frecken* f. ON *fresnur* pl.]

free', *a.* (*freer*, *freest*, pr. -er, -est). 1. Not in bondage to another, having personal rights & social & political liberty, (~ *labour*, of ~ men not slaves, & see 2); (of State, its citizens or institutions) subject neither to foreign domination nor to despotic government, having national & civil liberty; ~born, inheriting citizen rights & liberty; ~hold, (estate held by) tenant at fee simple or fee-tail or for term of life (also of corresponding tenure of office), (adj.) held by ~hold; ~holder,

possessor of ~hold estate; ~man, person not slave or serf, citizen of ~ State (& see 4); ~mason, member of fraternity for mutual help & brotherly feeling called *F~ & Accepted Masons* having elaborate ritual & system of secret signs (the orig. ~ masons were prob. skilled masons emancipated & allowed to move from place to place in & after 14th c., & the accepted may have been honorary members of the ~ masons' societies); ~masonry, system & institutions of the ~ masons, secret understanding between like characters, instinctive sympathy. 2. Loose (~ *wheel* in bicycle, driving-wheel able to revolve while pedals are at rest), unrestricted (~ *love*, sexual relations irrespective of marriage), at liberty, not confined, released from ties or duties, unimpeded (~ *trade*, left to its natural course without customs duties to restrict imports or protect home industries, this principle; ~trader, believer in it), unfettered in action (*have or give a ~ hand*, right of acting at discretion), permitted to do, independent (*F~ Church*, unconnected with State; the *F~ Churches*, nonconformists; *F~ Church of Scotland*, seceders of 1843 from Presbyterian establishment; ~ *lance*, medieval mercenary, modern politician or controversialist with no party allegiance, unattached journalist; ~ *labour*, of workmen not belonging to trade unions, & see 1; ~thinker, thinking *n.* & *a.*, ~thought, rejector etc. of authority in religious belief, rationalist etc.), unconstrained (~ *step*, *gestures*); (of literary style) not observing strict laws of form (~ *verse*, = *VERS LIBRE*, (of translation) not literal; allowable (*it is ~ for or to him to do so*); open to all comers (~ *fight*, in which anyone present joins); clear of obstructions, clear of or from something undesirable, (of wind) not adverse; not fixed, not in contact, (Chem.) not combined, (of power or energy) disengaged or available; ~board, part of ship's side between line of flotation & deck-level; ~hand, (of drawing) done without artificial aid to the hand; ~stone, kind of peach of which when ripe the stone is loose (& see 3); ~will, power of directing one's own actions without constraint by necessity or fate (& see 3). 3. Spontaneous, unforced, unearned, gratuitous, willing, (~ *grace*, unmerited favour of God; ~ *gift*, not in requital; *did it of my own ~ will*, & so ~will *adj.*, voluntary; ~quarters, gratuitous entertainment; *am ~ to confess*, not unwilling); lavish, profuse, unstinted, copious, (~ *of his money*, open-handed; so ~handed, liberal; ~flow of water; ~liver, living, indulgent, indulgence, in pleasures esp. of the table); frank, unreserved, (~spoken, not concealing one's opinions, blunt; & easy, unceremonious, also as *n.*, smoking-

concert etc.), forward, familiar, impudent, (make or be ~, take liberties with); (of talk, stories, etc.) broad, not quite decent; ~stone, fine-grained easily sawn sandstone or limestone (& see 2). 4. Released or exempt from (~ from the ordinary rules, disease, difficulty, etc.); having burgess rights (made ~ of the city), having the entrée & use of (~ of the house); not subject to tax, toll, duty, trade-restrictions, or fees (~ port, open to all traders alike; ~list, of persons to be admitted ~, duty~ articles, etc.; ~ school, with no fees charged; ~ pass, not paid for; also adv., as the gallery is open ~, & in comb. as carriage~, without charge for conveyance); ~man, one who has the freedom of a city, company, etc. (& see 1). Hence ~LY³ adv. [com.-Teut.; OE *fréo* cf. G *frei* f. Aryan *pri* to love]

free¹, v.t. (~d). Make free, set at liberty, (~d man, emancipated slave, esp. in Rom. Hist.); relieve from, rid or ease of; clear, disengage, disentangle. [OE *fréon* (prec.)]
free'boot'er, n. Pirate, piratical adventurer. Hence by back formation **free'boot** v.t., ~ING^{1,2} n. & a. [f. Du. *vrij-buiter* (FREE¹, BOOTY, -ER¹)]

free'dom, n. Personal liberty, non-slavery; civil liberty, independence; liberty of action, right to do; power of self-determination, independence of fate or necessity; frankness, outspokenness, undue familiarity (take ~s with); facility, ease, in action; boldness of conception; (Physics) capability of motion; exemption from defect, disadvantage, burden, duty, etc.; privilege possessed by city or corporation; participation in privileges of membership of company etc. or citizenship of city (often given *honoris causa* to distinguished persons); unrestricted use of (has the ~ of the library); the four ~s, ~ of speech and religion, ~ from fear and want. [OE *fréodóm* (FREE¹, -DOM)]

free'martin, n. Hermaphrodite or imperfect female of ox kind. [?]

free'sia (-z), n. Kinds of iridescent bulbous plant from Cape of Good Hope. [?]

freeze, v.i. & t. (*fröze*, *frözen*), & n. 1. (Impers.) it ~s etc., there is etc. frost; be converted into or covered with ice; become rigid as result of cold; become fastened to or together by frost, (sl.) ~ on to, take or keep tight hold of; feel very cold (~ to death, die by frost); be chilled by fear; cause to congeal, form ice upon, (fluid or moist thing; often in, over, up), preserve (meat etc.) by refrigeration; make (credits, assets, etc.) temporarily or permanently unrealizable; (by exagg.) ~ one's blood, terrify him; chill (feelings), paralyse (powers); stiffen, harden, injure, kill, by chilling (*frozen to death*); (sl.) ~ out, exclude from business, society, etc., by competition or boycotting etc.; ~out, variety of poker in which each player

drops out as soon as he loses his capital; *freezing-mixture*, salt & snow or other mixture used to ~ liquids; *freezing-point*, temperature at which liquid, esp. water, ~s; *frozen limit* (colloq.), the extreme of the objectionable or unendurable.

2. n. State, coming, period, of frost. [com.-Teut.; OE *fréosan* cf. G *frieren*, also L *pruina* hoarfrost]

freez'ing, a. In vbl senses; esp.: (by exagg.) very cold; (of manners) chilling, distant. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING²]

freight (frät), n., & v.t. 1. Hire of ship for transporting goods; transport of goods by water (in U.S. by land also), charge for this; cargo, shipload; load, burden. 2. v.t. Load (ship) with cargo; hire or let out (ship) for carriage of goods & passengers. [prob. f. MDu. *vrecht* var. of *vracht* see FRAUGHT]

freight'age (-ät-), n. Hire of ship for, cost of, conveyance of goods; freighting or hiring of ship; cargo. [-AGE]

freight'er (-ät-), n. One who (charters &) loads ship; one who consigns goods for carriage inland; one whose business is to receive & forward freight; cargo ship. [-ER¹]

Frénch, a. & n. 1. Of France or its people; having the qualities attributed to ~ people; || ~ bean, kidney or haricot bean used as vegetable both in unripe sliced pods & in ripe seeds; ~ bread, kind of fancy bread; ~ chalk, kind of stearite used for marking cloth & removing grease & as dry lubricant; ~ drain (of rubble, letting water soak away); ~ grey, tint composed of white with ivory black, Indian red, & Chinese blue; ~ HORN¹; take ~ leave, depart, act, without asking leave or giving notice; || ~ letter, a mechanical contraceptive; ~man, man of ~ birth or nationality, (good etc.) ~ speaker, ~ ship, the red-legged partridge; ~ polish, kind of polish for wood; ~ polish v.t., polish with this, whence ~pól'isher¹ n.; ~ roof, mansard; ~ toast, fried bread; ~ window, glazed folding-door serving as window & door; ~woman, woman of France. 2. n. The ~ language (~ lesson, master, etc., concerned with this); the ~ (pl.), the ~ people. Hence ~NESS n., Frén'chy^{2,3} a. & n. [OE *fréncisc* (FRANK¹, -ISH¹)]

Frénch'i'f'y, f-, v.t. Make French in form, character, or manners (usu. in p.p.). Hence ~FICA'TION n. [-FY]

Frénch'less, a. Knowing no French. [-LESS]

frenum. See FRÆNUM.

frén's[y], n., & v.t. 1. Mental derangement, temporary insanity, paroxysm of mania, (rare); delicious fury or agitation, wild folly. 2. v.t. (usu. in p.p.). Drive to ~y, infuriate, (~ed rage, that of a ~ed person). [f. OF *frénésie* f. LL *phrenesis* (Gk *phrenitikos* FRANTIC)]

fréq'uency *n.* Frequent occurrence, being repeated at short intervals, (of pulse) number of beats per minute; (Physics) rate of recurrence (of vibration etc.), number of repetitions in given time esp. per second (*high, medium, low*, ~, abbr. H.F., M.F., L.F., w. ref. to sound-waves, electro-magnetic waves, etc.); (Statistics) the ratio of the actual to the number of possible occurrences of an event. [f. L. *frequentia* (coll., -ENCY)]

fréq'uent *a.* Found near together, numerous, abundant; often occurring, common, happening in close succession, (of pulse) rapid, (*it is a ~ practice to*), whence ~LY³ adv.; (with agent-noun) habitual, constant, (*a ~ caller*). [f. L. *frequentis* -entis crowded cogn. w. *farcire* FARCE¹]

fréquent' *v.t.* Go often or habitually to (place, meetings, company, house). Hence or cogn. **fréquent'aTION**, ~ER¹, nn. [f. L. *frequentare* (prec.)]

fréquent'ative, *a. & n.* (gram.). (Verb or verbal form or conjugation) expressing frequent repetition or intensity of action. [f. L. *frequentativus* (prec., -ATIVE)]

frés'cô, *n.* (pl. -ôs, -oes), & *v.t.* Method of painting (esp. *in ~*), picture, in water-colour laid on wall or ceiling before plaster is dry; (vb) paint (wall etc., picture or subject) thus. [It., orig. adj. = foll.]

frêsh, *a., adv., & n.* 1. New, novel, not previously known, used, met with, or introduced, (*break ~ ground*, try something unbackneyed); additional, other, different, further, (*begin a ~ chapter*); recent, lately made or arrived, just come from; raw, inexperienced, (~man, first-year man at University); not preserved by salting, pickling, smoking, tinning, etc. (~ herrings, meat, fruit, & see below; ~ butter, & see next sense); not salt (~ water; ~water *a.*, of ~ water, not of the sea, as ~water fish, fishing, sailor; ~ butter, not flavoured with salt, & see prec. sense), not salt or bitter, drinkable, (~ water); pure, untainted, invigorating, refreshing, cool, (of air, wind, water); not stale, musty, or vapid (~ fish, meat, fruit, & see above; ~ egg); not faded (~ flowers, memories); unsullied, bright & pure in colour (*a ~ complexion*), looking healthy or young; not weary, brisk, vigorous, fit, (*never felt ~er*; as ~ as paint, quite brisk, prob. a pun on the warning '~ paint'; *a ~ wind*, of some strength); excited with drink; *presumptuous, forward, cheeky, amorously impudent. 2. *adv.* ~ly, newly, esp. in comb. as ~caught, ~coined; ~run, (of salmon) lately come up from the sea. 3. *n.* ~ part of day, year, etc. (*in the ~ of the morning*); rush of water in river, flood. Hence ~ER¹ *v.t. & i.*, ~NESS *n.* [OE *fræsc* cf. G *frisch* affected by OF *frêre* fem. *frêche* from same Teut. origin]

frêsh'er, *n.* (sl.). = FRESHMAN. [-ER¹]
frêsh'êt, *n.* Rush of fresh water flowing into sea; flood of river from heavy rain or melted snow. [FRESH *n.* + -ET¹]

frêsh'ly, *adv.* Recently (only with participles, = fresh *adv.*); afresh (rare); with unabated vigour; with fresh appearance, odour, etc. [-LY²]

frêt *1. n., & v.t.* (-tt-). 1. Ornamental pattern made of continuous combinations of straight lines joined usu. at right angles (also Greek ~). 2. *v.t.* Variegate, chequer; adorn (esp. ceiling) with carved or embossed work; ~saw, very narrow saw stretched on frame for cutting thin wood in ornamental patterns; ~work, carved work in decorative patterns esp. of straight lines, also wood cut with ~saw. [prob. f. OF *frêre* trellis-work & *frêter* vb]

frêt' *v.t. & i.* (-tt-), & *n.* 1. Gnaw, wear or consume or torment by gnawing, (of moths etc., horses champing bit, action of frost, rust, corrosives, friction, etc., or the passions); make (passage etc.) by wearing away; chafe, irritate, annoy, worry, distress; distress oneself with regret or discontent (*at; ~ away or out one's life* etc.); ~ & fume, show angry impatience; (of stream etc.) flow or rise in little waves, chafe; ruffle (water). 2. *n.* Irritation, vexation, querulousness, (*in a ~; ~ & fume; on the ~*); hence ~FUL *a.*, ~full^{LY} *adv.*, ~fulness *n.*, ~t'y³ *a.* [OE *frētan* cf. G *fressen* (fra- cogn. w. FOR-, EAT)]

frêt' *n.* Bar or ridge on fingerboard of some stringed instruments fixing positions of fingers to produce required notes. Hence ~t'ER¹ *a.* [perh. f. OF *frêre* ferrule]

Freud'ian (*frôid-*), *a. & n.* (Disciple of Freud or his doctrines of PSYCHO-analysis. [Sigmund Freud, psychologist, + -IAN])

fr'i'able, *a.* Easily crumbled. Hence or cogn. **fr'iabil'ITY**, ~NESS, nn. [F, f. L. *friabilis* (*fricare* crumble)]

fr'i'ar, *n.* Member of certain religious orders esp. the four mendicant orders of Franciscans (*Grey F's*), Augustinians (*Austin F's*), Dominicans (*Black F's*), & Carmelites (*White F's*); ~s balsam, tincture of benzoin. Hence ~LY¹ *a.* [ME & OF *frere* f. L. *fratrem* nom. -ter brother]

fr'i'ary, *n.* Convent of friars. [f. obs. *frary* f. OF *frairie*, *frerie* (*frere* see prec.) w. assim. to prec.; or f. prec. w. -y for -ry(3) by mistake of -ar for -ER¹]

frîb'ble, *v.i. & n.* Trifle, be frivolous; (n.) trifler. [imit.; earlier senses *clammer*, *totter*]

frîc'andeu (-dô), *n.* (pl. ~x pr. -a), & *v.t.* (Slice of) fried or stewed meat, esp. veal, served with sauce; (vb) make into ~x. [F]

fricassees', *n., & v.t.* Meat cut up, fried or stewed, & served with sauce, esp., ragout of birds or small animals cut up; (vb) make ~ of. [f. F *fricassée* (*fricasser* vb stym. dub.)]

fric'ative, a. & n. (Consonant) made by friction of breath in narrow opening, as *f, th*, Scotch *ch*. [f. L *fricare* rub + -ATIVE] **fric'tion**, n. Medical chafing; rubbing of two bodies, attrition; (Phys., Mech.) resistance body meets with in moving over another (*angle of ~*, maximum angle at which one will remain on another without sliding); (fig.) clash of wills, temperaments, opinions, etc. (usu. between two persons); ~*ball*, used in bearings to lessen ~; ~*clutch*, ~*cone*, ~*coupling*, ~*disk*, ~*gear(ing)*, contrivances for transmitting motion by ~. Hence ~AL, ~LESS, aa., (-shon-). [F, f. L *frictionem* (*fricare* rub, -ION)]

Frid'ay (-di), n. Sixth day of week (*Good ~*, ~ before Easter-day, commemorating Crucifixion; *Black ~*, used as name for various disasters that fell on ~). [OE *frīgedæg*; com.-WG transl. of LL *dies Veneris* day of planet Venus, cf. G *Freitag* = day of *Frīg* wife of Odin]

friend (frënd), n., & v.t. 1. One joined to another in intimacy & mutual benevolence independently of sexual or family love; person who acts for one, e.g. as second in duel; (loosely) acquaintance, stranger that one comes across or has occasion to mention anew, (*my ~ in the brown hat now left me*; used in voc. as polite form or in irony, & by Quakers as ordinary address; preceding a name, as ~ *Jones*, *Dick*; || *my honourable ~*, of another M.P. in House of Commons; *my learned ~*, of another lawyer in court); (pl.) one's near relations, those responsible for one; sympathizer, helper, patron, (*no ~ of or to order, virtue*, etc.); a ~ *at court*, one whose influence may be made use of; helpful thing (*my shyness was here my best ~*); one who is not an enemy, who is on the same side; *be, keep, make, ~s*, be or get on good terms; (*F~*) Quaker (Society of *F~s*, the Quakers as a communion); hence ~LESS a., ~'LESSNESS n., (frë-). 2. v.t. (poet.). Befriend, help. [com.-Teut.; OE *frēond*, cf. G *freund*; p.p. of OTeut. *frīdjan* love (OE *frēon* see *FRĒE*^{1,2}), -ND¹]

friend'ly (frë-), a., n., & adv. 1. Acting, disposed to act, as friend; characteristic of friends, expressing, showing, or prompted by, kindness (|| ~ *lead* among London poor, entertainment to raise funds for distressed person); not hostile, on amicable terms, (*a ~ nation*; ~ *action* at law, brought merely to get a point decided; ~ *match*, played for honour merely, not in competition for cup etc.); favourably disposed, ready to approve or help, (of things) serviceable, convenient, opportune; || *F~ Society*, for mutual insurance against distress in sickness or old age; hence friend'ly² (rare) adv., friend'liness a., (frë-). 2. n. (w. pl.). Native of ~ tribe. 3. adv. (rare). In

~ manner (*used, received, us ~*). [OE *frēondlic* a., *frēondlice* adv., see -LY¹]

friend'ship (frë-), n. Being friends, relation between friends; friendly disposition felt or shown. [-SHIP]

Friesian (frī'shan), a. & n. (Of, one of) a breed of Friesland cattle. [var. of *FRISIAN*]

frieze¹, n. Coarse woollen cloth with nap usu. on one side only. [f. F *frise* (*friser* curl)]

frieze², n. Member of entablature coming between architrave & cornice; horizontal broad band of sculpture filling this; band of decoration elsewhere. [f. F *frise* prob. connected w. It. *fregio* fringe f. L *Phrygium* (*opus* work) of Phrygia]

frig (-i), **fridge**, n. (colloq.). Refrigerator. [abbr.]

frig'ate, n. (Hist.) warship next in size & equipment to ships of the line, with 28-60 guns on main deck & raised quarter-deck & fore-castle; (mod., loosely for) cruiser; large corvette; (also ~*bird*) large swift tropical bird of prey. [f. F *frégate* f. It. *fregata* etym. dub.]

fright (frit), n., & v.t. 1. Sudden fear, violent terror, alarm; grotesque-looking person. 2. v.t. (poet.). Frighten. [OE *frýhto* metathetic form of *fyrhto* cf. OE *forht*, G *furcht*]

fright'en (-it-), v.t. Throw into a fright, terrify, (often out of, into, doing); drive away, out of (place etc.), into (submission etc.), by fright; ~ed at or of (at w. ref. to an occasion, of to habitual fear). [prec. (n.) + -EN¹]

fright'ful (-it-), a. Frightening (arch.); dreadful, shocking, revolting; ugly, hideous, whence ~NESS n. (esp., as mistransl. f. G, terrorizing of civilian population as military resource); (sl.) very great, awful. Hence ~LY² adv. [-FUL]

frī'gid, a. Cold (esp. of climate or air; ~ *zone*, region enclosed by either polar circle); without ardour, apathetic, formal, forced; chilling, depressing; dull, flat, insipid. Hence or cogn. *frigid'ity*, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *frigidus* (*frigere* be cold f. *frigus* n. cold)]

frill, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Ornamental edging of woven material, one side of strip being gathered & the other left loose with fluted appearance; similar paper ornament on ham-knuckle etc.; natural fringe of feathers, hair, etc., on bird, animal, or plant; (pl.) airs, affectation, (*puts on ~s*), useless embellishments or accomplishments; mesentery of animal; (Photog.) puckered gelatine film at edge of plate. 2. v.b. Decorate with a ~; (esp. Photog.) of gelatine film) pucker at edges of plate etc. Hence ~ED² (-id) a., ~ERY(5), ~ING¹ (3, 6), nn. [1]

frill'ies (-liez), n. pl. (colloq.). Frilled petticoats etc. [-Y² or -Y¹]

fringe (-i), n., & v.t. 1. Ornamental bordering of threads left loose or formed

into tassels or twists; such bordering made separately; border, edging, (*New-gate* ~, heard allowed to grow below shaven chin); front hair cut short & allowed to hang over forehead; natural border of hair etc. in animal or plant; hence ~LESS (-l-), *frin'gr*¹, aa. 2. v.t. Adorn or encircle with ~, serve as ~ to; hence *frin'ging*(8) n. [ME & OF *frenge* f. L *frimbria*]

fripp'er'y, n. Finery, needless or tawdry adornment esp. in dress; empty display esp. in literary style; knick-knacks, trifles. [f. OF *freperie* (*frepe* rag, -ERY)]

***Fris'cô**, n. San Francisco. [abbr.]

fris'ette (-z-), n. Band of small artificial curls on forehead. [F (*friser* FRIZZ)]

friseur (frézér'), n. Hair-dressor. [as prec.]

Fris'ian (-z-), a. & n. (Native, language) of Friesland. [f. L *Frisii* pl. f. OFris. *Frise* + -AN]

frisk, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Move sportively, gambol; *feel over, search, (person) for weapon etc. (sl.). 2. n. Gambol. Hence *fris'ky*¹ a., *fris'kily*¹ adv., *fris'kiness* n. [f. obs. *frisk* a. f. OF *frisque* lively perh. cogn. w. FRESH]

fris'két, n. (print.). Thin iron frame with tapes across it keeping sheet in position while printing. [f. F *frisquette* etym. dub.]

frít, n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Calcined mixture of sand & fluxes as material for glass-making; vitreous composition from which soft porcelain is made. 2. v.t. Make into ~, partially fuse, calcine. [f. It. *frutta* fem. p.p. of *friggere* FRÝ¹]

frít-flý, n. Small fly destructive to wheat. [f.]

frith. See FIEFT.

frittill'ary (or *frít'z*), n. Kinds of liliaceous plant, esp. Snakeshead; kinds of butterfly. [f. L *frutillus* dice-box + -ARY¹]

fritt'er¹, n. Piece of fried batter often containing slices of fruit etc. (*apple*, *oyster*, etc., ~); (pl.) = FENKES. [f. F *friture* (L *frigere* frict- FRÝ¹, -URE, see -ER²(3))]

fritt'er², v.t. Subdivide minutely; throw (time, money, energy, etc.) away on divided aims. [f. obs. n. *fritter*(s) = obs. *fitters* n. pl. f. obs. *fitter* v. perh. cogn. w. G *setzen* rag, scrap; or f. OF *frature* f. L *fractura* FRACTURE]

Fritz, nickname for the Germans or a German. [G, abbr. of *Friedrich* Frederick]

friv'ol, v.i. & t. (-ll-). Be a trifler, trifle; throw (money, time) away foolishly. [back formation f. foll.]

friv'olous, a. Paltry, trumpery, trifling, futile; given to trifling, not serious, silly. Hence or cogn. *frivöl'try*, ~NESS, nu., ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *frivolus* (perh. f. *fricare* rub) + -OUS]

friz's¹, v.t., & n. 1. Curl, crisp, form into mass of small curls, (hair, or person etc.) in regard to it; dress (wash-leather etc.) with pumice or scraping-knife. 2. n.

Frizzed state, frizzed hair, row of curls; hence *frizz'y*¹ a. [f. F *friser*]

frizz', v.i. Make sputtering noise in frying. [f. FRÝ¹ w. imit. termin.]

friz'zle¹, v.t. & t., & n. 1. Curl (t., & i. esp. with up, of hair etc.) in small crisp curls. 2. n. ~d hair; hence *frizz'ly*¹ a. [etym. dub.; older than FRIZZ¹; cf. OFris. *frisle* head of hair]

friz'zle², v.i. & t. Fry, toast, or grill, with sputtering noise. [FRIZZ¹ + -LE(3)]

frô, adv. Away (only in to & ~, backwards & forwards, or of repeated journeys between two places). [f. ON *frá* prep. = OE FROM]

fröck, n., & v.t. 1. Monk's long gown with loose sleeves, (fig.) priestly character; = SMOCK ~; sailor's woollen jersey; child's skirt & bodice as outer dress for indoor use; woman's dress; || (also ~-coat) man's long-skirted coat not cut away in front; military coat of like shape. 2. v.t. Invest with priestly office, cf. UNFROCK. [f. F *fro* cf. med. L *froccus*, *flocus*; perh. = FLOCK¹ as woollen, or f. OHG *hroch* (G rock) coat]

Froe'belism (frét'), n. Education of young children on the kindergarten system. [F. W. A. Froebel, German educationalist (d. 1852), -ISM]

frög', n. Tailless amphibious animal developed from tadpole; (derog. for) Frenchman (as eating ~s), whence *Frögg'y*¹ (-g-) n.; ~-eater, Frenchman; ~-fish, kinds of fish esp. the Angler; ~in-the-throat, hoarseness; ~s, ~, ~-march, carrying of prisoner face downwards by four men holding a limb each; ~-spawn, lit., & as names for kinds of freshwater algae. Hence ~g'y¹ (-g-) a. (esp. = cold as a ~). [OE *froga*, also *froz* cf. G *frosch*]

frög', n. Elastic horny substance in middle of sole of horse's foot. [f.]

frög', n. Attachment to waistbelt to support sword, bayonet, etc.; military coat-fastening of spindle-shaped button & loop, whence ~ged¹ (-gd) a. [perh. f. Port. *froco* f. L *flocus* FLOCK¹]

frög', n. Grooved piece of iron at place in railway where tracks cross. [f.]

fröl'ic a. (arch.), v.i., & n. 1. Joyous, mirthful, sportive, full of pranks. 2. v.i. (-ok-). Play pranks, gambol. 3. n. Outburst of gaiety, prank, merriment, merry-making, gay party. Hence ~some a., ~somerly¹ adv., ~someness n. [f. Du. *vrolijk* adj. cf. G *fröhlich* (M.Du. *vrô* glad, ~like)]

from (from, *emphatic or at end of clause* fröm), prep. expressing separation & introducing:—1. Person, place, etc., whence motion takes place (*comes ~ the clouds*; repeated ~ *mouth to mouth*). 2. Starting-point (~ *title to colophon*, throughout book; ~ *2nd July*; ~ *day to day*, daily; ~ *time to time*, occasionally; ~ *a child*, since childhood). 3. Inferior

limit (saw ~ 10 to 20 boats). 4. Object etc. whence distance or remoteness is reckoned or stated (*ten miles ~ Rome; am far ~ saying; ~ home, out, away; absent, away, ~ home; apart ~ its moral aspect*). 5. Thing or person got rid of, escaped, avoided, of which one is deprived etc., person or thing deprived, (*took his sword ~ him; released him ~ prison; cannot refrain ~ laughing; appeal ~ lower court, dissuade ~ folly*). 6. State changed for another (~ *being attacked became the aggressor; raise penalty ~ banishment to death*). 7. Thing distinguished (*doesn't know black ~ white*). 8. Source (*dig gravel ~ pit; draw conclusion ~ premises; quotations ~ the fathers*). 9. Place of vantage etc. (*saw it ~ the poop; ~ his point of view, as he sees things*). 10. Giver, sender, etc. (*gifts ~ Providence; frocks ~ Worth's; things not required ~ me*). 11. Model (*painted ~ nature*). 12. Reason, cause, motive, (*died ~ fatigue; suffering ~ dementia; ~ his looks you might suppose*). 13. Advbs or advl phrr. of place or time (~ *long ago, of old, above, etc.*), or prepositions (~ *under her spectacles; ~ out the bed*). [OE *fram, from*, forward cf. *FRO*]

frönd, n. (Bot.) leaf-like organ formed by union of stem & foliage in certain flowerless plants, esp. ferns, & differing from leaf in usu. bearing fructification; (Zool.) leaf-like expansion in some animal organisms. Hence *frönd* DAG(1) n., *frönd* DOW¹ a. [f. L *frons* -dis leaf]

Fronde (-awnd), n. Party that rebelled against Mazarin & Court during minority of Louis XIV; malcontent party; violent political opposition. [F, orig. = sling]

front (-ünt), n. & a., & v.i. & t. 1. Forehead (poet.; *head & ~*, chief part or item); face (~ *to ~; have the ~*, be impudent enough usu. *to do; present, show, a bold ~*); (Mil.) foremost line or part of army etc., line of battle, part of ground towards real or imaginary enemy, scene of actual fighting (*go to the ~*, join troops on campaign), direction in which formed line faces (*change ~*); (fig.) organized body or department of activity (*home, kitchen, popular, ~*); (Archit.) any face of building, esp. that of main entrance; fore part of anything (opp. *BACK*); || *the promenade of a seaside resort; band of false hair, set of false curls, worn over woman's forehead; breast of man's shirt*, also dicky; (with prep.) forward position (*in ~ of, before, in advance of, confronting; in ~; come to the ~*, become conspicuous); (ellipt.) = *in ~ as adv. or adj.* (*were beset ~ & rear; two-pair ~*, second-floor room in ~); || *s'man*, salesman stationed on pavement in ~ of shop; hence ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS adv., (-ün-). 2. adj. Of the, situated in, ~ (|| ~ bench, reserved for ministers or ex-

ministers in Parliament houses; ~ *door*, chief entrance of house); ~ *page*, first page of newspaper (usu. attrib., of news of striking journalistic importance). 3. vb. Face, look, *to, towards, (up)on*; face, stand opposite to; have ~ on side of (street etc.); confront, meet, oppose; furnish with ~ (~ed with stone); (Mil.) turn (l. & t.) to the ~ (often as word of command). [n. OF, f. L *frons frontis*; vb f. OF *fronter*]

fron'tage (-ün-), n. Land abutting on street or water, land between front of building & road, whence ~ER¹(4) n.; extent of front; front of building; ground occupied by troops in camp or on parade; facing a certain way, exposure, outlook. [-AGE]

fron'tal¹ (-ün-), n. Covering for front of altar; façade. [f. OF *frontel* f. LL *frontale* (FRONT, -AL)]

fron'tal² (-ün-), a. Of forehead (~ *bone, artery*); of, on, front (~ *attack, delivered direct, not on flank or rear*). [-AL]

fron'tier (-ün-, -ön-), n. Part of a country that borders on another; (attrib.) of, on, the ~; ~sman, one living on or beyond the borders of civilization (*Leyion of F~smen*, organization enrolling men with such experience). [OF (FRONT, -aria -ARY¹)]

Frön'tignac (-Inyák), n. A muscat wine. [error. for -nan, name of French town]

fron'tispiece (-ün-), n., & v.t. (Archit.) principal face of building, decorated entrance, pediment over door etc.; illustration facing title-page of book or one of its divisions (vb, supply with as ~); face (esp. in boxing sl.). [f. F *frontispices* f. med. L *frontispicium* countenance (FRONT, *specere* look) w. assim. to *pieces*]

front'less (-ün-), a. Unblushing (rare); without front. [-LESS]

front'lét (-ün-), n. Band worn on forehead; = *PHYLACTERY*; animal's forehead; cloth hanging over upper part of altar frontal. [f. OF *frontelet* (FRONTAL¹, -LET)]

frön'to-, comb. form of L *frons* -tis = of the forehead & -, as ~nasal. [for *fronti-* (-i-, -o-)]

fron'ton (frü-), n. Pediment. [F, f. It. *frontone* (FRONT, -OON)]

frofe, a. (poet.). Frozen, frosty. [arch. p.p. of *FREEZE*]

frost (-aw-, -ö-), n., & v.t. 1. Freezing, prevalence of temperature below freezing-point of water (|| *ten etc. degrees of ~; hard, sharp, ~; white or hoar, black, ~*, with, without, rime; *Jack F~*, ~ personified, frozen state or constance (*there is still ~ in the ground*), frozen dew or vapour (*windows covered with ~*); influence that chills, makes grey, etc.; (sl.) failure; ~bite, inflammation or gangrene of & below skin from severe cold, ~bitten, affected with this; ~work, tracery made by ~ on glass etc.; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t.

Nip, injure, (plants etc.) with ~; cover (as) with rime, powder with coating of sugar etc., whence ~ING⁽⁸⁾ n.; give roughened or finely granulated surface to (glass, metal); turn (hair) white; arm (horse's shoes) against slipping by nails etc. [com.-Teut.; cf. G *frost*; cogn. w. FROST] **fros'ty** (-aw-, -ō-), a. Cold with frost; cold, chilling, frigid, lacking in warmth of feeling; covered, seeming to be covered, with hoar-frost. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

froth (-ō-, -aw-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Collection of small bubbles, foam; impure matter on liquid, scum; worthless matter, idle talk, etc.; || ~blower (joc.), beer-drinker (esp. as designation of member of a certain charitable Order); hence ~Y² a., ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. 2. vb. Emit, gather, ~; cause (beer etc.) to foam. [perh. f. ON *frotha* cf. OE *d-fréothan* to ~]

frou-frou (-ōb-, -ōb), n. Rustling, esp. of dresses. [F, imit.]

frow, n. Dutchwoman. [f. Du. *vrouw* = G *frau* woman]

frow'ard, a. (arch.). Perverse, refractory. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [FRO-, WARD]

frown, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Knit brows esp. to express displeasure or concentrate attention; (of things) present gloomy aspect; express disapprobation (*at, on, upon*); put (interrupter, interruption, etc.) down with ~; express (defiance etc.) with ~; hence ~INGLY² adv. 2. n. Vertically furrowed state of brow; look expressing severity, disapproval, or deep thought. [f. OF *froignier* perh. f. Tent. cf. Sw. dial. *fryna*, Norw. *fryna*, make wry face]

frowst, n., & v.i. (colloq.). Fusty heat in room (|| vb, stay in, enjoy, this). Hence **frows'ty** a. [?]

frowz'y, a. Ill-smelling, fusty, musty, close; slatternly, unkempt, dingy. Hence ~INESS n. [?]

froze(n). See FROZE.

fructiferous, a. Bearing fruit. [f. L *fructifer* (FRUIT, -FEROUS)]

fructificā'tion, n. (bot.). Fructifying; reproductive parts of plant, esp. of ferns & mosses. [f. L *fructificatio* (foll., -FICATION)]

fructify, v.i. & t. Bear fruit (lit. & fig.); make fruitful, impregnate. [f. F *fructifier* f. L *fructificare* (FRUIT, -FY)]

fructōse, n. Fruit sugar. [f. L *fructus* FRUIT + -OSE²]

fructūous, a. Full of, producing, fruit (lit. & fig.). [OF, f. L *fructuosus* (FRUIT, -OUS)]

frug'al (frōb-), a. Careful, sparing (of), economical, esp. as regards food; sparingly used or supplied, costing little. Hence or cogn. **frug'al'ity** n., ~LY² adv., (frōb-). [f. L *frugale* (frugi indecl. adj. orig. dat. of *frux* praet. + -AL)]

frugiv'orous (frōb-), a. Feeding on fruit. [f. L *frux* frugi- fruit + -VOROUS]

fruit (frōb), n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Usu. pl.) vegetable products fit for food (usu. ~s of the earth), so ~AGE(1) (-ōb-) n.; plant's or tree's edible product of seed with its envelope (also collect. in sing., as *seeds on ~*); vegetable seed with envelope as means of reproduction; (Bibl.) offspring (usu. ~ of the body, loins, womb); produce of action, (pl.) revenues produced (*the ~s of industry*); (sing. or pl.) result, issue, consequence; ~-cake, containing currants etc.; ~ clipper, fast ship carrying ~; ~-knife, with silver etc. blade against acid; ~-piece, picture of ~; ~ salad, of various ~s cut up & mixed in bowl often with cream etc.; ~-sugar, glucose, levulose, or fructose; ~-tree, grown for its ~; hence, (-)~ED² a. 2. vb. Bear, make bear, ~. [OF, f. L *fructus* -ūs (fruit enjoy)]

fruit'arian (frōb-), n. Feeder on fruit. [-ARIAN]

fruit'er (frōb-), n. Fruit-ship; tree producing fruit (a sure ~); || fruit-grower. [FRUIT n. & v., -ER¹]

|| **fruit'erer** (frōb-), n. Dealer in fruit. [-ER¹ doubled]

fruit'ful (frōb-), a. Productive, fertile, causing fertility; productive of offspring, prolific, (lit. & fig.; a session ~ in great measures); beneficial, remunerative, whence ~LY² adv. Hence ~NESS n. [-FUL]

fruit'ion (frōb-), n. Enjoyment, attainment of thing desired, realization of hopes etc. [OF, f. L *fruitionem* (fruit fruit-, enjoy, -ION)]

fruit'less (frōb-), a. Not bearing fruit; yielding no profit, ineffectual, useless, empty, vain. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

fruit'lét (frōb-), n. (bot.). = DRUPEL. [-LET]

fruit'y (frōb-), a. Of fruit; (of wine) tasting of the grape, whence ~INESS n.; (colloq.) suggestive, broad, full of rough humour (usu. scandalous) interest. [-Y²]

frum'entry (frōb-), **fūrm'ety**, n. Hulled wheat boiled in milk & seasoned with cinnamon, sugar, etc. [f. OF *frumentée* (frument f. L *frumentum* corn), -Y²]

frūmp, n. Old-fashioned dowdily-dressed woman. Hence **frūm'pish**, **frūm'py**, aa. [?]

frūs'trate, a. (arch.). Frustrated. [f. L *frustratus* (foll., -ATE²)]

frūstrā'te (also frūs²), v.t. Balk, baffle, neutralize, counteract, disappoint. So ~ATION n. [f. L *frustrari* (frustra in vain), -ATE²]

frūs'tule, n. Two-valved shell of diatom. [F, f. LL *frustulum* (foll., -ULUM)]

frūs'tum, n. (pl. -ta, -tums). Remainder of regular solid whose upper part has been cut off by plane parallel to base, or part intercepted between two planes. [L, = piece broken off]

frutē'scent (frōb-), a. (bot.). Of the nature of a frutex. [for *fruticescent* (foll., -ESCENT)]

frut'ax (frûb-), n. (bot.). (pl. -*ices*). Woody-stemmed plant smaller than tree, shrub. [L (genit. -*icis*)]

frut'icose (frûb-), a. (Bot.) shrubby; (of minerals, zoophytes, etc.) looking like shrub. [prec., -*osa*¹]

frÿ¹, n. Young fishes fresh from the spawn; young of salmon in second year; young of other creatures produced in large numbers, e.g. bees or frogs; *small*~, young or insignificant beings, children etc. [f. ON *frïd* seed]

frÿ², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cook (t. & i.) in boiling fat (*other FISH¹ to* ~; ~ing-pan, shallow pan used; *out of* ~ing-pan *into fire*, from bad to worse). 2. n. Fried meat; || various internal parts of animals usu. fried, esp. LAMB's ~. [f. F *frïre* f. L *frigere* cf. Gk *phrugô*]

frÿ'er, *frï'er*, n. Vessel for frying fish; one who fries (fish). [-*er*¹]

|| **fûb'sÿ** (-z), a. Fat or squat. [f. obs. *fubs* small fat person]

fuchsia (fûsh'a), n. Drooping-flowered shrub. [mod. L (*Fuchs* 16th-c. German botanist, -18th)]

fuch'sine (fûk-), n. Salt of rosaniline forming deep red dye. [prec. (f. resemblance of colour to flower) + -*ine*¹]

fûc'us, n. (pl. -*ci* pr. -*si*). Kinds of seaweed with flat leathery fronds. Hence **fûc'oid** a. [L. = rock-lichen, cf. Gk *phôkos*]

fûd'dle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Tipple, booze; intoxicate; stupefy, confuse. 2. n. Spell of drinking (on the ~), intoxication; confusion. [cf. Du. *vod* slack, G dial. *fuddeln* swindle]

fûdge¹, int. & n. Nonsense!; nonsense; piece of stop-press news inserted in newspaper page at the last minute by special means; soft-grained sweetmeat made with milk, sugar, chocolate, etc. [?]

fûdge², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Fit together, patch, make up, in a makeshift or dishonest way, cook, fake; practise such methods. 2. n. Piece of fudging. [perh. f. obs. *fadge* v.i., fit]

Fuehrer, **Fûh-**, (fûh-), n. Leader. [G]

fû'el, n., & v.t. & i. (-il-). 1. Material for fires, firing, coal, wood, etc.; something that feeds or inflames passion etc. 2. vb. Supply (fire) with ~; get ~. [f. OF *fovatille* f. pop. L *focalia* neut. pl. of *focalis* (focus hearth, -AL)]

fûg, n., & v.i., (colloq.: -gg-). 1. Fustiness of air in room; stuff and dust collected in corners etc. 2. v.i. Enjoy a frosty atmosphere. Hence ~g'y¹ (-g-) a. [?]

fûg'a'cious (-shus), a. Fleeting, evanescent, hard to capture or keep. So **fûg'a'cious** (-âc) n. [f. L *fugax* (*fugere* flee, -*acious*)]

fûg'al, a. Of the nature of a fugue. Hence ~y² adv. [-AL]

-fûge, suf. in adj. & nn. f. mod. L in -*fugus*. Acc. to L anal. the sense should

be *fleeing from* (*fugere*) as in L *lucifugus*, *erifuga*; but in the mod. formations it is *putting to flight* (*fugare*) as in *sebrifuge*, *vermifuge*.

fû'gitive, a. & n. 1. Flying, running away, that has taken flight; fitting, shifting; evanescent, of short duration, quickly fading; (of literature) of passing interest, ephemeral, occasional. 2. n. One who flees esp. from danger, enemy, justice, or owner; exile, refugee. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), f. L *fugitivus* (*fugere* *fugit*-flee, -*ive*)]

fû'gleman (-gel-), n. (pl. -*men*). || Soldier placed in front of regiment etc. while drilling to show the motions & time; leader, organizer, spokesman, whence by back formation **fû'gle** v.i. [f. G *flügelmann* (*flügel* wing, *mann* man)]

fugue (fûg), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Polyphonic composition in which a short melodic theme ('subject') is introduced by one of the parts and successively taken up by the others, thereafter forming the main material of the texture (*double*~, with two such themes); hence **fûg'uis**(1) (-gl-) n. 2. vb. Compose or perform ~ (*fugu*ing or ~*d*, in the form of a ~). [F, f. It. & L *fuga* flight]

-ful, suf. orig.=FULL a. 1. Forming adj. f. nn., w. sense *full of* (*beautiful*), & sometimes *having qualities of* (*masterful*); also adj. f. adj. or f. L adj. stems (*difficul*, *grateful*, *tristful*), perh. on anal. of older synonyms in -*ful*; also f. vv. (*forgetful*), arising perh. f. cases in which first component might in form be either n. or v. (*helpful*, & esp. *thankful* where the sing. n. being disused *thank* would naturally be taken for verb); a pass. sense is seen in *bashful*=abashable. 2. Forming nn., w. sense *amount required to fill* (*handful*). *Handful* is a differentiation f. *hand full*, which in the Teut. langg. had orig. besides its literal sense that of *quantity that fills a hand*. The differentiation is not carried out equally in all langg., G *handvoll* etc. taking their gender f. first component, though written as single wds. In mod. E -*ful* is a living suf. freely added to nn. (*bozful*, *houseful*, *churchful*); a reminiscence of its orig. is seen in *spoonsful*, *cupsful*, which are ambiguous & contrary to good mod. usage.

fûl'crum, n. (pl. -*ra*). (Mech.) point against which lever is placed to get purchase or on which it turns or is supported; means by which influence etc. is brought to bear; (Bot.; usu. pl.) accessory organs, appendages, e.g. bracts, tendrils. [L. =post of couch (*fulcra* to prop)]

fulfil (fûl-), v.t. (-il-). Bring to consummation, carry out, (prophecy, promise), satisfy (desire, prayer); perform, execute, do, (command, law); answer (purpose), ~comply with (conditions); bring to an end, finish, complete; (period,

work). Hence ~MENT (föb-) n. [OE *full-lyllan* (FULL¹, FILL)]

fül'gént, a. (poet. & rhet.). Shining, brilliant. [f. L *fulgere* shine, -ENT]

fül'gürite, n. (Geol.) rocky substance fused or vitrified by lightning, tube made by passage of lightning into sand; an explosive. [f. L *fulgur* lightning + -ITE⁽²⁾]

fül'ham (föb'am), n. (hist.). Loaded DIM¹. [?]

Fül'ham Päl'ace (föb'am), n. Official residence of the Bishop of London.

fül'ginous, a. Sooty, dusky. [f. L *fuliginosus* (*fuligo* -inis soot, -OUS)]

full¹ (föb), a., v.t., & adv. 1. Filled to utmost capacity, holding all (of, or abs.) its limits will allow, replete, (~ to the brim, to overflowing, & colloq. up); (of heart etc.) overcharged with emotion (~hearted, stirred with deep feeling, also zealous, confident, courageous). 2. Holding or having abundance of, crowded (in a ~ house, with a good proportion of members present), showing marked signs of (~ of vitality). 3. Engrossed with the thought of (~ of himself, of his subject; ~ of the news etc., unable to keep from talking of it). 4. Ropete with food (arch. of persons; a ~ stomach); (chiefly Bibl.) having had one's fill of (~ of years & honours). 5. Abundant, sufficient, copious, satisfactory, (a ~ meal; turned it to ~ account; give ~ details; he is very ~ on this point). 6. Complete, entire, perfect, answering completely to its name, reaching the specified or usual limit, entirely visible, (~ point or stop, period in punctuation; ~ daylight, membership; ~ brother, sister, born of same father and mother; of the ~ blood, of pure descent, not hybrid, so ~ blooded, & see below; ~ pay, that allowed on active service; ~ age, after minority; ~ dress², & so ~ dress rehearsal; ~ dress debate in Parliament, prearranged on important question, not arising casually; ~ swing n.; at ~ length, lying stretched out, also = in ~ below; ~ length portrait etc., of whole figure; ~ moon, with whole disk illuminated, also the time when this comes; ~ face, turned straight to spectator; waited a ~ hour; it was ~ summer). 7. (Of light) intense, (of colour) deep, (of motion etc.) vigorous (a ~ pulse; ~ gallop, speed, etc., used adv. with come etc.; ~ speed ahead, order to pursue course with energy). 8. Swelling, plump, protuberant, (of dress) containing superfluous material arranged in folds etc. (vb, make ~, gather, pleat). 9. ~back, football player stationed behind; ~blooded, vigorous, hearty, sensual, & see above; ~bodied, esp. of wine with much body; ~bottomed, (of wig) long behind, opp. BOB¹; ~ house, hand, Poker hand with three of a kind and a pair; ~mouthed, (of cattle) with ~ complement of teeth, (of dogs) baying

loudly, (of oratory, style, etc.) sonorous, vigorous; ~ pitch (Cricket), a bowled ball pitched right up to the wicket without first touching the ground (also ~ toss); ~ score (Mus.), complete score comprising music for all performers; || ~timer, child who attends during all school-hours (opp. half-timer). 10. (used abs. as n.). Whole (cannot tell you the ~ of it; in ~, without abridgement; to the ~, to the utmost extent, quite); height, acme, (season, moon, is past the ~); hence ~ISH¹(2) a. 11. adv. Very (chiefly poet.; ~ faint; ~ many a; know it ~ well); quite, fully, (~ six miles; ~ as useful as; often in comb., as ~blown, of flowers, quite open, also fig. as ~blown dignity; ~grown, having reached maturity); exactly (hit him ~ on the nose); more than sufficiently (this chair is ~ high). [Aryan; cf. G *voll*, Skr. *pūrṇa*, L *plenus*, Gk *plērēs*]

full² (föb), v.t. Cleanse & thicken (cloth). [f. OE *fouler* see FOIL²]

fül'er¹ (fö-), n. One who fuls cloth; ~s earth, hydrous silicate of alumina. [-ER¹]

fül'er² (fö-), n., & v.t. Grooved tool on which iron is shaped; groove made by this esp. in horse-shoes; (vb) stamp with ~. [?]

fül(l)'ness (föb-), n. Being FULL¹; esp.: (Bibl.) the ~ of the heart, emotion, genuine feelings, the ~ of time, the destined time, the ~ of the world etc., all that fills it; (of sound, colour, etc.) richness, volume, body. [-NESS]

fül'ý (fö-), adv. Completely, without deficiency; quite (esp. with numbers). [-LY²]

fül'mar (föb-) n. Sea-bird of petrel kind & gull's size. [perh. f. ON *full* ROUL¹ + *mdr* MEW¹]

fül'minant, a. Fulminating; (Path., of diseases) developing suddenly. [f. L as foll., -ANT]

fül'mināt'e¹, v.i. & t. Flash like lightning, explode, detonate, (~ing gold, mercury, etc., various fulminates, see FULMINO); thunder forth, utter or publish, (censure); issue (usu. official) censures against (esp. of Pope). Hence or cogn. fül'minā'tion n., ~ORY a. [f. L *fulminare* (*fulmen* lightning), -AT¹]

fül'mine, v.t. & i. (poet.). Send forth (lightning, thunder); thunder (lit. & fig.). [as prec.]

fül'min'ic, a. (chem.), ~ acid, nitro-acetonitril, an acid forming explosive salts with some metals. Hence fül'minā'te¹ [-AT¹(3)] n. [f. L *fulmen* -inis lightning + -IO]

fül'nēss. See FULLNESS.

fül'some (fü-, föb-), a. Cloying, excessive, disgusting by excess, (of flattery, servility, exaggerated affection). Hence ~LY² (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mn-) n. [FULL¹, -SOME]

fūl'vous, a. (nat. hist.). Reddish-yellow, tawny. So **fūlvēs'CENT** a. [f. L *fulvus* + -OUS]

fūmāde', n. Smoked plichard. [f. Sp. *fumado* smoked, f. L *fumare* FUME, -ADO(1)]

fūm'arōle, n. Crevice in cone of volcano through which vapour issues. [f. F *fumeroile* f. L *fumariorum* dim. of *fumarium* smoke-chamber (*fumus* smoke, -ARY¹)]

fūm'blē, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Use the hands awkwardly, grope about, (at, with, fastening etc.; for, after, thing sought); handle or deal with awkwardly or nervously (~e the ball, not stop it cleanly); hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Bungling attempt. [perh. f. OE *fohm* palm of hand; cf. Du. *fommelen*]

fūme, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Odorous smoke, vapour, or exhalation; watery vapour; noxious vapour supposed to rise from stomach to brain (the ~s of wine etc.; also fig. of excitement, enthusiasm, etc.); fit of anger (in a ~); hence **fūm'v²** a. 2. vb. Perfume with incense; subject to chemical ~s esp. those of ammonia (photographic film, oak, to darken tints); emit ~s; (of vapour etc.) rise, be emitted; be pettish, chafe (at). [n. f. OF *fum*, vb f. F *fumer*, f. L *fumus*, *fumare*, smoke]

fūm'ig'āte, v.t. Apply fumes to; disinfect or purify with fumes; perfume. Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR²(1, 2), nn. [f. L *fumigare* (*fumus* smoke), -ATE²]

fūm'itor'y, n. Herb formerly used in medicine. [f. OF *fumeterre* f. med. L *fumus terrae* earth-smoke, w. assim. to -ORY]

fūn, n., & v.i. (-nn-). 1. Sport, amusement, jocularly, drollery, (make ~ of, poke ~ at, ridicule; for or in ~, as a joke, not seriously; is good, great, ~, very amusing; like ~, vigorously, quickly, much; what ~!, how amusing!). 2. v.i. (rare). Indulge in ~, joke. [perh. f. obs. *fon* befool, etym. dub.]

fūnām'būlist, n. Rope-walker. [f. L *funambulus* (*funis* rope, *ambulare* walk), -IST]

fūnc'tion, n., & v.i. 1. Activity proper to anything, mode of action by which it fulfils its purpose; office-holder's duty, employment, profession, calling; religious or other public ceremony or occasion, social meeting of formal or important kind; (Math.) variable quantity in relation to other(s) in terms of which it may be expressed or on which its value depends; hence ~LESS (-shon-) a. 2. v.i. Fulfil a ~, operate, act. [OF, f. L *functionem* (*fungi* functi- perform, -ION)]

fūnc'tional (-shon-), a. Official, merely formal, (rare); (Physiol.) of, affecting, the functions of an organ etc. only, not structural or organic (esp. of diseases), (of organ) having a function, not functionless or rudimentary; (Math.) of a FUNCTION. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

fūnc'tionāry (-shon-), n. & a. 1. n. Official. 2. adj. = prec. (not in math. sense). [-ARY¹]

fūnc'tionāte (-shon-), v.i. = FUNCTION v. [-ATE²]

fūnd, n., & v.t. 1. Permanent stock of something ready to be drawn upon (a ~ of common sense, tenderness, labour, knowledge); stock of money, esp. one set apart for a purpose (sink ~ing ~); (pl.) pecuniary resources (in ~s, having money, flush); || the ~s, stock of national debt as mode of investment (has £10,000 in the ~s); || ~holder, such investor). 2. v.t. Convert (floating debt) into more or less permanent debt at fixed interest; put into a ~, collect, store, (rare); || invest (money) in the ~s. [f. L *fundus* bottom]

fūnd'ament, n. The buttocks. [f. L *fundamentum* (FOUND¹, -MENT) foundation]

fūndamēn'tal, a. & n. 1. Of the groundwork, going to the root of the matter, serving as base or foundation, essential, primary, original, from which others are derived, (a ~ change; the ~ rules; the ~ form); (Mus.) ~ note, lowest note of chord in its original (uninverted) form, ~ tone, produced by vibration of whole sonorous body (opp. *harmonics* produced by that of its parts); hence ~ITY (-āl-) n., ~LY² adv. 2. n. Principle, rule, article, serving as groundwork of system (usu. pl.); (Mus.) ~ note or tone. [-AL]

***fūndamēn'talism**, n. Maintenance, in opposition to modernism, of traditional orthodox beliefs such as the inerrancy of Scripture & literal acceptance of the creeds as fundamentals of protestant Christianity. So ~IST n. & a. [prec. + -ISM]

fūneb'rial, a. (rare). Of funeral (custom is ~ in origin). [f. L *funeris* (*funus* see foll.) + -AL]

fūn'eral, a. & n. 1. Of, used etc. at, burial or cremation of the dead (~ pile, pyre, pile of wood etc. on which corpse is burnt; ~ urn, holding ashes of cremated dead; ~ oration). 2. n. Burial of the dead with its observances, obsequies; burial procession; (colloq.) unpleasant concern, lookout (that's your ~). [adj. OF, f. med. L *funeralis* (L *funus* -eris funeral + -AL); n. f. OF *funeraille* f. med. L *funeralia* neut. pl. of *funeralis*, -AI(2)]

fūn'erary, a. = FUNERAL. [f. LL *funerarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

fūn'er'al, a. Appropriate to funeral, gloomy, dismal, dark. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *funereus* (FUNERAL) + -AL]

fūn'gible (-j-), a. (legal). That can serve for, or be replaced by, another answering to the same definition (of goods etc. contracted for, when an individual specimen is not meant). [f. med. L *fungibilis* f. *fungi* (vice) serve (turn), -IBILIS]

fūn'gicide (-j), n. Fungus-destroying substance. [FUNGUS, -I-, -CID]]

fūng'ous (-ng-), a. Of fungi, having nature of a fungus; springing up like a mushroom, transitory. [f. L. *fungosus* (foll., -osus)]

fūng'us (-ng-), n. (pl. ~i pr. -ji, ~uses). Mushroom, toadstool, or allied plant including moulds; (Bot.) cryptogamous plant without chlorophyll feeding on organic matter; thing of sudden growth; (Path.) spongy morbid growth or excrescence; skin-disease of fish. Hence ~AL (-ng-), ~IFORM (-j-), ~IVOROUS (-j-), ~OID, ~USY², (-ng-), aa. [L, perh. cogn. w. *Ok sphoggos* SPONGE]

fūnic'ular, a. Of a rope or its tension (~ railway, worked by cable & stationary engine). [f. L. *funiculus* (*funis* cord, -CULE) + -AR¹]

fūnk, n., & v.i. & t., (sl.). 1. Fear, panic, (blue ~, terror); coward; hence ~Y² a.; [~hole, trench dug-out, employment used as pretext for evading military service. 2. vb. Flinch, shrink, show cowardice; (try to) evade (undertaking), shrink; be afraid of; inspire fear in. [called Oxford slang in 1743; etym. dub.]

fūnn'el, n. Diminishing tube, or truncated cone & tube, for conducting liquid, powder, etc., into small opening; ventilating or lighting shaft; metal chimney of steam engine or ship; ~shaped lower part of chimney. Hence (~)~LED² (-ld) a. [ME *fonel* perh. thr. OF (cf. Breton *founil*) f. L. *infundibulum* f. IN(fundere pour)]

fūnn'iment, n. Joke, drollery. [foll., -MENT]

fūnn'y¹, a. Affording fun, comical; curious, queer, perplexing, hard to account for; ~y-bone, part of elbow over which ulnar nerve passes; ~y-man, professional jester. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

|| **fūnn'y**², n. Narrow clinker-built boat for one sculler. [perh. f. prec.]

fūr, n., & v.t. & i. (-rr-). 1. Trimming or lining made of dressed coat of certain animals, e.g. ermine, beaver; coat of such animals, as material for trimming etc.; (usu. pl.) garment(s) of or having ~; short fine soft hair of certain animals distinguished from the longer hair, (pl.) skins of such animals with the ~; make the ~ fly, make a disturbance, stir up trouble, raise Cain; (collect.) furred animals (esp. ~ & feather; hunt ~, hares); crust adhering to surface, e.g. deposit of wine; coating formed on tongue in sickness; crust of carbonate of lime in kettle etc.; hence ~RY² a. 2. vb. Provide (garment, animal), clothe (person), coat (tongue, inside of kettle) etc. intr., become coated, with ~; clean ~ from (boiler); (Carpent.) level (floortimber) by inserting strips of wood. in.

f. vb, OF *forrer* (now *fouurer*) f. Rom. *foderare* sheathe, line, f. Teut. (OE *fōddor* cf. G *futter* lining)]

fūrb'elow (-ō), n., & v.t. 1. Flounce, pleated border of skirt or petticoat; (pl., contempt.) showy ornaments; || kind of wrinkled seaweed. 2. v.t. Adorn with ~s. [corrupt. of FALBALA]

fūrb'ish, v.t. Remove rust from, polish up, burnish; give new look to, renovate, revive, (something antiquated; usu. up). [f. OF *forbir* (-ish²) f. OHG *forban*]

fūrc'ate¹ (-āt, -at), a. Forked, branched. Hence **fūrcāt'o-** comb. form. [f. med. L. *furcatus* (L. *furca* fork, -ATE²)]

fūrc'ate², v.i. Form a fork, divide. So ~ATION n. [f. L. *furca* fork + -AT²]

fūrfurā'ceous (-ferāshus), a. Scurfy; (Bot.) covered with bran-like scales. [L. *furfur* bran + -ACEOUS]

fūr'lous, a. Full of fury, raging, frantic, violent; fast & ~, (of mirth etc.) eager, uproarious. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *furicus* f. L. *furiosus* (FURY, -OUS)]

fūrl, v.t. & i. Roll up & bind (sail) on yard or boom; close, fold up, draw away, relinquish, (tan, umbrella, wings, curtain, hopes); become ~ed, roll away like clouds. [prob. f. obs. *furdle* furl var. of obs. *fardel* vb (FARDEL)]

fūrl'ōng, n. Eighth of mile. [OE *furlang* (*furh* furrow, LONG adj.); orig. = length of furrow in common field, regarded as square containing ten acres]

fūrl'ough (-lō), n., & v.t. Leave of absence, esp. to soldier; (vb) grant ~ to. [f. Du. *verlof* cf. G *verlaub* (FOR-, LEAVE²)]

fūrm'ētý. See FRUMENTY.

fūrn'ace (-is), n., & v.t. 1. Apparatus including chamber for combustibles in which minerals, metals, etc., may be subjected to continuous intense heat; hot place; severe test (esp. *tried in the ~*); closed fireplace for heating building by hot pipes. 2. v.t. Heat in ~. [f. OF *fornais* f. L. *fornacem* nom. -az (*fornus* oven)]

fūrn'ish, v.t. Provide with (~ed with, having); fit up (house, room) with all necessary appliances, esp. movable furniture (~ed house, rooms, etc., esp. let with furniture); provide, afford, yield. [f. OF *furnir* (-ish²) f. Rom. *fornire* f. Teut. (OHG *frummen* promote f. root of FROM)]

fūrn'iture, n. Contents of receptacle (~ of his pocket, money; ~ of my shelves, books; ~ of one's mind, knowledge & intelligence); harness etc. of horse etc. (arch.); movable contents of house or room, tables, chairs, etc. [f. F *fourniture* (*fournir* FURNISH)]

fūr'ō'é, n. Enthusiastic admiration, rage, craze. [It., f. L. *furor* (*furere* be mad, -OR²)]

fūr'rier, n. Dealer in, dresser of, furs. [-RR]

furr'ing, n. In vbl senses; also (Ship-build.), doubling of planks on ship's side. [-ING¹]

fū'row (-ō), n. & v.t. 1. Narrow trench made by plough; ship's track; rut, track, groove, long indentation, deep wrinkle, hollow between ridges; || ~-*slice*, slice of earth turned up by mould-board of plough; hence ~LESS (-ōl-), ~Y² (-ō), aa. 2. v.t. Plough; make ~s, grooves etc., in; mark with wrinkles. [com.-Teut.; OE *furh* cf. Du. *voor*, G *furch*]

|| **Furr'y Dance** (dah-), n. (dial.). Dance through the streets as part of ancient festival observed at Helston, Cornwall, on the 8th May. [etym. dub.; perh. ult. f. L *feriae* holidays]

fūth'er (-dh-), adv. & a. (for usage of *fur-*, see FARTHER etym.), & v.t. 1. To or at more advanced point in space or time (*unsafe to proceed ~*; & *then to lapse unless ~ continued*); to greater extent, more, (*inquire ~*); (also ~more) in addition, moreover, also (esp. introducing fresh consideration in argument); at greater distance (*I'll see you ~ first*, euphem. for *in hell*, as strong refusal of request). 2. adj. Going beyond what exists or has been dealt with, additional, (*threats of ~ punishment; till ~ notice*, in announcing arrangement to continue during pleasure); more distant (*on the ~ side*), whence ~MOST a. 3. vb. Help on, promote, favour, (undertaking, movement, cause); hence ~ANCE n., ~SOME a., (-dh-). [OE *further* adv., *furthera* adj., (FORE³, -THEE), *fyrthrian* vb]

fūth'est (-dh-), a. & adv. = FARTHEST. [superl. formed f. prec.]

fūrt'ive, a. Done by stealth, clandestine, meant to escape notice; sly, stealthy; stolen, taken secretly; thievish, pilfering. Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [F (-ly, -ive), f. L *furtivus* (*furtum* theft, -IVE)]

fūrt'uncle (-ūngkl), n. Boil, tumour. Hence ~ŪLAR, ~ŪLOUS, aa., (-ūnk-). [f. L *furunculus* (*fur* thief, -UNCLE)]

fūr'y, n. Fierce passion, wild anger, rage, (*in ~*, fit of rage); impetuosity in battle etc. (*the Spanish F-*, massacre by Spaniards at Antwerp 1576); violence of weather, disease, etc. (*like ~*, furiously, hard); (usu. pl.) snake-haired goddess(es) of Gk myth sent from Tartarus to punish crime, (fig.) avenging spirits, remorseful pangs, (*haunted by the furies of her father's blood*); virago, angry or malignant woman. [f. F *furie* f. L *furia* (*furere* be mad)]

fūrse, n. Spiny yellow-flowered evergreen shrub growing on European waste lands, gorse, whin. Hence fūrse'y² a. [OE *furs* etym. dub.]

fūs'cous, a. (nat. hist.). Sombre, dark, in colour. So fūs'cō comb. form. [L *fuscus*, -OUS]

fūse¹ (-z), v.t. & l., & n. 1. Melt (f. & l.)

with intense heat; blend, amalgamate, & l.) into one whole (as) by melting (metals, living bones, institutions, motives etc.); hence fūs'IBLE a., fūsIBIL'ITY n., (-z-). 2. n. (Electr.) piece of easily-fusible wire, placed in main or branch circuit, designed to melt when overloaded and thus interrupt the current and prevent the section being loaded above the safety limit. [f. L *fundere* fus- pour]

fūse² (-z), n., & v.t. 1. Tube, casing, cord, etc., filled or saturated with combustible matter for igniting bomb, blasting-charge, etc.; component screwed into shell, mine, etc. designed to detonate explosive charge after an interval (*time ~*) or on impact or when subjected to magnetic or vibratory stimulation. 2. v.t. Fit ~ to. [f. It. *fuso* f. L *fusus* spindle]

fūsee' (-z-), n. Conical pulley or wheel esp. in watch or clock; exostosis or bony tumour on horse's cannon-bone; large-headed match for lighting cigar or pipe in wind. [f. F *fusée* f. med. L *fusata* spindleful (L *fusus* spindle)]

fūs'elage, n. Framework of aeroplane. [F, f. *fuseler* out in spindle form (*fuselage* spindle f. L L *fusellus* dim. of *fusus*), -AGE]

fūs'el oil (-z-), n. Mixture of several alcohols, chiefly amyl, produced, usu. in small amounts, during alcoholic fermentation and making alcoholic liquors harmful or poisonous. [f. G *fusel* bad spirit, cf. *fuseln* FOOLISH]

fūs'iform (-z-), a. (nat. hist.). Shaped like spindle or cigar, tapering at both ends. [f. L *fusus* spindle, -i-, -FORM]

fūs'il (-z-), n. Obsolete light musket. [F, = It. *focile* (L *focus* hearth, fire, -IL)]

fūsillier' (-z-), n. (usu. pl.). (Man of certain British regiments formerly armed with fusils. [F, (prec., -IER)]

fūsillade' (-z-), n., & v.t. 1. (Wholesale execution by) continuous discharge of fire-arms. 2. v.t. Assault (place), shoot down (persons), by ~. [F (*fusiller* shoot f. FUSIL, -ADE)]

fū'sion (-zhn), n. Fusing; fused mass; blending of different things into one; coalition, whence ~IST(2) (-zhon-) n. [f. L *fusio* (FUS¹, -ION); cf. POISON]

fūss, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Bustle, excessive commotion, ostentatious or nervous activity; treatment of trifles as important; abundance of petty detail; hence ~Y² a., ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. 2. vb. Make ~; busy oneself restlessly with trifles; move fussily *about, up & down*, etc.; agitate, worry, (person). [perh. imit. of sputtering or bubbling]

fūstanēll'a, n. Man's white kilt in modern Greece. [It., dim. of mod. Gk *phoustani* perh. f. It. *fustagno* FUSTIAN]

fūs'tian, n. & a. 1. Thick twilled short-napped cotton cloth usu. dyed dark; turgid ootton or writing, bombast. 2. adj. Made of ~, (fig.) bombastic,

worthless, sorry, pretentious. [f. OF *fustaigne* (med. L *fustaneus* adj. perh. = from *Fostal* suburb of Cairo)]

fūs'tic, n. Two kinds of wood yielding yellow dye (*young* ~, Venetian sumach; ~ or *old* ~, Amer. & W. Ind.); dye from these. [f. F f. Sp. *fustoc* f. Arab. *fustuq* f. Gk as *PISTACHIO*]

fūs'tig'lāte, v.t. (joc.). Cudgel. So ~**ATION** n. [L *fustigare* (*fustis* cudgel), -**ATE**']

fūs'til'y, a. Stale-smelling, musty, mouldy; close, stuffy; antiquated, old-fashioned. Hence ~**INESS** n. [f. obs. *fust* (smell of) wine-cask f. OF *fust* cask f. L *fustis* cudgel]

fut. See **PHUT**.

fütch'el(l), n. One of timbers supporting shafts, pole, or axle-bar, of carriage. [?]

futh'orc (fö-), n. Runic alphabet. [its first six letters (*th* being one)]

füt'ile (-i, -l), a. Useless, ineffectual, vain, frivolous. Hence or cogn. **füt'il'ity** n., (rare) ~**LY** adv. [f. L *futilis* leaky, futile, perh. f. *fud*-st. of *fundere* pour]

fütt'ock, n. One of ship's middle timbers between floor & top timbers; ~ *plates*, iron plates in a ship's top to which the ~ *shrouds* (lower ends of which are fastened to ring on mast below) are fixed, as well as the dead-eyes of the topmast rigging. [perh. = *foot-hook*]

füt'ure, a. & n. 1. About to happen, that will be hereafter (~ *life*, *stale*, existence after death), that will be something specified (*my* ~ *wife*); of time to come, (Gram., of tense) describing event yet to happen. 2. n. Time to come (*for the* ~, *in* ~, from now onwards; *past*, *present*, & ~); what will happen in the ~; person's, country's, etc., prospective condition; (Gram.) ~ tense; one's betrothed; (Commerc.; pl.) goods & stocks sold for ~ delivery, contracts for these; hence ~**LESS** (-*cherl*-) a. [OF (-*ur*, -*ure*), f. L *futurus* fut. part. of *esse* be f. st. *fu*- **BE**]

füt'urist (-*che*-), n. & a. 1. (Theol.) (one) believing that the prophecies of the Apocalypse etc. are still to be fulfilled. 2. (Art) adherent of **füt'urism** (-*che*-) n., a recent movement in (esp. Italian) art, literature, etc., marked by violent departure from traditional methods and by the use of arbitrary symbols in the expression of emotion. [-**IST**]

füt'urity, n. Future time; (sing. or pl.) future events; future condition, existence after death; ~ *stakes*, stakes raced for long after entries or nominations are made. [-**ITY**]

füz, n. Loose volatile matter, fluff; fluffy or frizzed hair; ~*ball*, a fungus, the puff-ball. [perh. limit. of blowing]

füz's'y, a. Frayed, fluffy; blurred, indistinct; frizzed; *Fuzzy-wuzzy*, Soudanese warrior. Hence ~**LY** adv., ~**INESS** n. [-**Y**]

fy, fye. -**FIE**.

-fy, suf. forming vbs. In the older E vbs *-fy* represented F *-fier*, L *-ficare*. L formed vbs in *-ficare* (with or without intervention of adj. in *-ficus*) f. nn., w. sense *make, produce, (pacify)care*, orig. intr., *make peace* or *make into* (*deify)care* delfy); f. adj. w. sense *bring into a state* (*sanctify)care*; & f. vb stems w. causative sense (*horrify)care* horrify). In med. L *-ficare* was often substituted for *-facere*; hence F & E vbs in *-fier*, *-fy*, occas. repr. L vbs in *-facere* (F *stupéfier*, but p.p. *stupéfait* as well as *stupéfit*, stupify; OF *satisfier*, but mod. F *satisfaire*; F *liquéfier* liquefy, *rubéfier* rubefy). Apart f. these in *-esy* E has always *-ify* (-i-), which is freely added to E adj. & nn. to form vbs chiefly joc. or colloq. (*speechify*, *Frenchify*; also, on vb, the irreg. *argufy*). Vbs formed on adj. have often intr. as well as trans. sense (*solidify* make or become solid). Vbs in *-ify* have nn. in *-ification*, those representing L vbs in *-facere* have nn. in *-FACTION*; but E has *petrification* where F has the correct *pétrification*.

fyl'fot, n. Swastika, equal-armed cross of which each arm is continued rectangularly, all clockwise or counterclockwise. [name based on ancient direction for design of painted window, in which ~ may mean either the particular pattern or something to *fill the foot* of the window]

fytte. See **FIT**.

G

G (gē), letter (pl. *Gs*, *G's*). (Mus.) fifth note of diatonic scale of C major; corresponding scale or key; *G* **CLEF**.

gäb, n. (colloq.). Talk, prattle, twaddle, (*stop your* ~, hold your tongue; *gift of the* ~, talent for speaking, also loquacity). [?]

gäb'ardine (-ēn), n. Dress material of cotton or silk with wool lining; material for rain-coats. [var. of **GABERDINE**]

gäb'ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Talk volubly or inarticulately, read aloud (t., often *over*, & l.) too fast; utter too fast. 2. n. Voluble confused unintelligible talk. [imit.]

gäb'brö, n. A basic igneous rock of crystalline texture resembling dolerite and granite. [It.]

gabelle', n. Tax (usu. foreign tax), esp. the French pre-Revolution salt-tax. [F. f. med. L *gabella* (*gabulum*=OE *gafol* see **GAVELKIND**)]

gäb'erdine (-ēn), n. Loose long upper garment esp. of Jews & almsmen; a fine hard-laid cloth. [f. OF *gauverdine* perh. f. MHG *walleward* pilgrimage]

gäb'ion, n. Cylinder of wicker or woven metal bands to be filled with earth for use in fortification or engineering. [F. f. It. *gabbione* (*gabbia* cage, -oon)]

gabionade', n. Line of gabions. [-ADE(1)]
gā'ble, n. Triangular upper part of wall at end of ridged roof; (also ~end) ~topped wall; ~shaped canopy over window or door, whence **gā'bler**¹ n. Hence (-gā'bler² (-ld) a. [OF, f. ON *gaft*; cf. G *gabel* fork; prob. cogn. w. OHG *gebal*, Gk *kephale*, head]
gāb'y, n. Simpleton. [?]
gād¹, int. of surprise, asseveration, etc. (also *by* ~, *begad*). [=GOD]
gād², v.i. (-dd-), & n. Go about idly, rove, wander, (usu. *about*, *abroad*, *out*); (of plants, esp. in part.) straggle; (*up*) *on the* ~, going about, on the move; ~/*about*, (person) given to ~ding. [perh. back formation f. obs. *gauling* companion, OE *gædling* (gæd fellowship, -LING²)]
gad(d) (*gūd*¹), n. Cushioned throne of Indian ruler; (transf.) the regal position. [Hind. *gaddi* cushion]
gad-fly, n. Breeze, cattle-biting fly; irritating or worrying person; violent impulse, oestrus. [f. obs. *gad* spike f. ON *gaddr* cogn. w. YARD¹ & L *hasta* spear]
gādg'et, n. (colloq.). Small fitting or contrivance in machinery etc.; (transf.) dodge, device. [first in naut. use; perh. dim. of GAUGE¹]
Gadhēl'ic (-dē-), a. & n. = GAELIC in its wider sense. [literary f. Ir. *Gaedheal* Gael + -ic]
gād'oid, a. & n. (Fish) of the cod family. [f. Gk *gados* cod + -oid]
gadroon¹, n. (usu. pl. or attrib.). Convex curve(s) in series forming ornamental edge like inverted fluting. [f. F *godron* etym. dub.]
Gael (*gāl*), n. Scottish Celt; (rarely) Irish Celt. [f. Sc.-Gael. *Gaidheal*]
Gael'ic (*gāl*-, *gāl*-), a. & n. (Language) of Scottish Celts, of Scottish & Irish & Manx Celts. [-IC]
gāff¹, n., & v.t. 1. Barbed fishing-spear; stick with iron hook for landing large fish; spar extending top of fore-&-aft sail not set on stays. 2. v.t. Seize (fish) with ~. [f. F *gaffe* boat-hook]
gāff², n. (sl.). *Blow the* ~, let out plot. [?]
gāff³, n. (sl.). Public place of amusement, esp. (usu. *penny* ~) low theatre or music-hall. [?]
gaffe, n. Blunder, indiscreet act or remark, *faux pas*. [F]
gāff'er, n. Elderly rustic, old fellow, (also as prefix to name); || foreman of gang. [contr. of *godfather* or *grandfather*; cf. GAMMER]
gāg, n., & v.t. & i. (-gg-). 1. Thing thrust into mouth to prevent speech or outcry or (Surg.) hold it open for operation, (Parl.) closure or GULLOTING, (vb. apply ~ to, silence, deprive of free speech). 2. Actor's interpolations in dramatic dialogue (vb. make these); (Theatr.) carefully prepared comic effect or business introduced into music-hall sketch, stage-play, etc., (vb. make these); ~man, professional deviser

of ~s. 3. ~bit, specially ~powerful for horse-breaking, ~rein, arranged to make bit more powerful, (*gag*, v.t.) *ask* ~bit to (horse). 4. Joke, hoax; (sl.) *ink* ~bit lie, (v.t., deceive; v.l., practise do. f. vb, perh. imit. of choking sound [n. sense perh. unrelated]
gāg'a, a. (sl.). Fatuous, senile, dotty.
gāge¹, n., & v.t. 1. Pledge, thing deposited as security; (glove thrown down as, any symbol of) challenge to fight. 2. v.t. Stake, pledge, offer as guarantee. [n. f. OF *guage* f. Teut. (WED); vb f. F *gager* of same orig., or for ENGAGE]
gāge². See GAUGE².
gāg'gle, v.l. (Of geese) cackle. [imit.]
gai'ety, n. Being gay, mirth; (usu. pl.) merry-making, festive occasion(s), amusements; bright appearance. [f. F *gaieté* (gay, -ty)]
Gaik'war, Gaek-, (gik-), n. Ruler of Baroda. [Marathi, = cowherd]
gail'y. See GAY.
gain¹, n. Increase of possessions etc., profit, advance, improvement; acquisition of wealth, lucre, pelf; (pl.) sums acquired by trade etc., emoluments, winnings; increase in amount. [OF (*gaignier* GAIN²)]
gain², v.t. & i. Obtain, secure, (desired or desirable thing; ~time, obtain delay by pretexts or slow methods; ~the ear of, get favourable hearing from); win (sum) as profits or as result of changed conditions, earn, whence ~ings (-z) [-ING¹ (2)] n. pl.; make a profit, be benefited, improve or advance in some respect, be enhanced by comparison or contrast; win (land from sea, battle, victory; ~the upper hand, be victorious); bring over to one's interest or views, win over, persuade, prevail upon; reach, arrive at, (desired place); ~ground, progress, advance, encroach (*upon*); ~(*ground*) (*upon*), get closer to (person or thing pursued); (of sea) encroach (*upon*) land; ~(*upon*), win the favour of. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [f. F *gagner* f. OF *gaignier* cf. It. *guadagnare* f. OHG *weidenen* v. pasture, forage, cf. G *weide* pasturage, OE *weith* hunting]
gain'ful, a. Lucrative, remunerative; bent on gain. [-FUL]
gainsay¹, v.t. (arch., literary; past *said*, pr. -ad or -ed). Deny, contradict. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. obs. *gain* prep. against f. ON *gegn* cf. G *gegen* + SAT]
gainst, 'gainst. (Poet. for) AGAINST.
Gait, n. Manner of walking, bearing or carriage as one walks. [var. of GATE²]
gait'er, n. Covering of cloth, leather, etc., for leg below knee or for ankle; *ready to the last* ~button (completely); said of French army before Franco-German war. Hence ~ED² (-erd) a. [f. F *gaitre* etym. dub.]

gala

gál'a (or ⁴), n. Festive occasion, fête, (often / :ib., as ~ *day*, *dress*, etc.). [F. i. it.]

gál'ic, a. (astron.). Of the Galaxy. [*galaktikos* (foll., -IO)]

gál'to-, comb. form of Gk *gala* -aktos milk, used in scientific terms as ~*vogue*, (substance) inducing a flow of milk.

gál'antine (-én), n. White meat boned, spiced, tied, boiled, & served cold. [F, altered f. *galatine* a fish sauce]

galán'ty show (-ó), n. Pantomime on screen made by shadows of puppets. [perh. f. It. *galanti* pl. of *galante* GALLANT]

gálaté'a n. Superior striped cotton dress material (orig. used for children's sailor suits). [f. H.M.S. G~.]

gál'axý, n. Irregular luminous band of stars indistinguishable to naked eye encircling the heavens, Milky Way; brilliant company (of beauties, talent, etc.). [f. F *galaxie* f. L f. Gk *galaxias* (*gala* -aktos milk)]

gál'banum, n. Gum resin from some Persian species of ferula. [L, f. Gk *khalbané* prob. f. Oriental wd]

gále', n. (Also *Sweet*~) bog-myrtle. [OE (also Du. & G) *gagel*]

gále', n. Rather strong wind, (Naut.) storm, (poet.) gentle breeze. [perh. cogn. w. Da. *gal*, Norw. *galen*, mad, furious]

|| gále', n. Periodical payment of rent (*hanging* ~, arrears of rent). [perh. = obs. *gavel* see GAVELKIND]

gál'éja, n. (bot., zool.). Structure like helmet in shape, function, or position. So ~*ATE'*, ~*átéd*, aa. [L, = helmet]

|| galeen'y, n. Guinea-fowl. [f. Sp. *gallina* (*morisca* Moorish) hen]

Gál'en, n. (Joc.). Physician. [f. L f. Gk *Galénos*, Pergamene 2nd-c. A.D. physician]

galén'a, n. Common lead ore, lead sulphide, lead glance. [L, = lead ore (in partly purified state), perh. conn. w. Gk *galéné* a calin]

galén'ic, a., **galén'ical**, a. & n. Of, according to, Galen; esp. (remedy) made of vegetable, not synthetic, components. [*Galen* + IC(AL)]

Gállilé'an, a. Of the astronomer Galileo; ~ *telescope* (with bi-convex objective and bi-concave eyepiece). [-AN]

Gál'lee, g., n. Porch or chapel at entrance of church. [perh. as less sacred than church w. ref. to Galilee as opp. Judaea, or esp. to *Math.* iv. 15 (~ of the *Gentiles*)]

gáll'mé'tias (-ásiah), n. Confused or meaningless talk, rigmorale. [F (formerly half naturalized, now only as foreign word)]

gál'ingáile (-ngg-), n. Aromatic root of E.-Ind. plants used in cookery & medicine; (also *Engtik* ~) kind of sedge. [f. OF *galingal* f. Arab. *khalanjan* perh. f. Chin. *he-liang-kang* mild ginger from Ko] = GALLIOT.

gál'ipót, n. Kind of hardened turpentine. [F, stym. dub.]

gall' (gawl), n. Secretion of liver, bile, (now only of lower animals); typical bitter substance, bitterness, (~ & *worm-wood*); ~-bladder & its contents; aspenity, rancour, (*dip one's pen in* ~, write violently), whence ~-LESS (gawl'-l-) a.; ~impudence (sl.); ~-bladder, vessel containing the ~; ~-stone, calculous formation in ~-bladder. [OE *gealla* cf. G *galle*, also Gk *kholé*, L *fel*; perh. also cogn. w. YELLOW]

gall' (gawl), n. Painful swelling, pustule, blister, esp. in horse; sore produced by chafing; mental soreness or its cause; place rubbed bare, flaw; bare spot in field or copple. [OE *gealla* sore on horse, perh. = prec.]

gall' (gawl), v.t. & i. Rub sore, injure by rubbing; vex, annoy, harass, humiliate, whence ~ING^a a. [f. prec., perh. orig. as back formation f. *galled*']

gall' (gawl), n. Excrescence produced by insect on trees, esp. on oak (also *oak*~, used in making ink & tannin, & in dyeing & medicine); ~-fly, insect producing ~; ~-nut, =. So (in ~ic acid) **gáll'ic**^a a. [f. F *galle* f. L *galla*]

gáll'ant (also, in senses indicated below, occas. **galánt'**), a., n., & v.t. & i. 1. Showy, finely dressed, (arch.); grand, fine, stately, (of ship, horse, etc.); brave, chivalrous, || (also Parl., as conventional epithet of a member of the services, as *the honourable & ~ member*); markedly attentive to women (**galánt'**); concerned with love, amatory, (**galánt'**); hence ~LY^a (or as above **galánt'**) adv. 2. n. Man of fashion, fine gentleman; ladies' man, lover, paramour, (**galánt'**). 3. vb (**galánt'**). Play the ~, flirt with, flirt with; escort, act as cavalier to, (lady). [f. F *galant* part. of OF *galer* make merry cf. GALLA perh. f. OHG *wallon* wander]

gáll'antrý, n. Bravery, dashing courage; courtliness, devotion to women; a polite or amorous act or speech; conduct of a gallant, amorous intercourse or intrigue, sexual immorality. [f. F *galanterie* (prec., -ERY)]

gáll'éon, n. (hist.). Vessel shorter & higher than galley; ship of war (usu. Spanish); large Spanish ship used in American trade. [f. Sp. *galeon*, f. med. L *galeonem* nom. -o (GALLEY)]

gáll'ery, n., & v.t. 1. Covered space for walking in partly open at side, portico, colonnade; balcony; long narrow passage in thickness of wall or supported on corbels, open towards interior of building; platform projecting from inner wall of church, hall, etc., providing extra room for audience or reserved for musicians, reporters, strangers, etc.; (Theatr.) highest such balcony, persons there seated, least refined part of audience (*play to the* ~, appeal to lower taste, see

claptrap); long narrow room (e.g. *shooting-~*, for indoor target practice or matches), passage, corridor; room or building used for showing works of art; chimney-holder of lamp; (Mil., Mining) horizontal underground passage; ~ *hit* (Cricket, & fig., from theatre) piece of showy play, so ~ *shot*, *stroke*; hence ~ *ru*(2) n. 2. v.t. Provide, pierce, etc., with ~ or galleries. [f. F *galerie* etym. dub.]

gall'ey, n. (pl. ~s). 1. (Chiefly hist.) low flat single-decked vessel using sails & oars, & usu. rowed by slaves or criminals; ancient Greek or Roman war-ship with one or more banks of oars; large open row-boat, e.g. that used by captain of man-of-war. 2. Ship's kitchen. 3. (Print.) oblong tray to which type is transferred from composing stick (~ *proof*, in slip form, not in sheets or pages). 4. ~ *slave*, person condemned to row in ~, (fig.) drudge; ~ *worm*, kind of many-footed insect (from likeness of its legs to oars). [f. OF *gale*, med. L *galea*, etym. dub.]

galliām'bic, a. & n. In the metre of Catullus's *Attis* (imitated in Tennyson's *Boadicea*); (n., usu. pl.) such verse(s). [f. L *galliambus* song of Galli or priests of Cybele + -ic]

Gall'ic¹ (for *gallic*¹ see GALL⁴), a. Of the Gauls, Gaulish; (usu. loc.) French, whence **gall'icist**(4) n., **gall'icize**(2, 3) v.t. & i. [f. L *Gallicus* (*Gallus* Gaul, -ic)]

Gall'ican, a. & n. Of the ancient church of Gaul or France; (adherent) of the school of French Roman Catholics following Bossuet & claiming partial autonomy (opp. *ULTRAMONTANE*), whence **gall'icanism**(3), **gall'icanist**(2), nn. [f. L *Gallicanus* (prec., -AN)]

gall'icé (-sè), adv. In French (used in giving F for English phrase etc.). [L, =in Gaulish]

galligās'kins (-z), n. pl. (loc.). Breeches, trousers. [orig. wide hose of 16th & 17th co., f. F *garquesue* for *grequesue* f. It. *grechesca* fem. of *grechesco* Greek (-RSQUE)]

gallimau'frý, n. Heterogeneous mixture, jumble, medley. [f. F *gallimafrée* etym. dub.]

gallin[ā]ceous (-shus), a. Of the order *Gallinae* including domestic poultry, pheasants, partridges, etc. So ~ *CRAN* (-shan) a. & n. [f. L *gallinaceus* (*gallina* hen, -ACEOUS)]

gallina'zō (-ah-), n. (pl. ~s). An American vulture, the Turkey buzzard. [f. Sp. *gallinaza* (L *gallina* hen, -aza augment.)]

Gall'io, n. Person, esp. official, refusing to meddle outside his province. [*Acts xviii*]

gall'iot (-y-), n. Dutch cargo-boat or fishing-vessel; small (usu. Mediterranean) galley. [f. F *galiote* dim. of OF *gale* **GALLEY**]

Gallip'oli, n. ~ (oi), superior olive-oil. [seaport in S. Italy]

gall'ipöt, n. Small earthen glazed pot used for ointments etc. [prob. f. **GALLERY**, as brought in galleys from the Mediterranean]

gall'ium, n. Soft bluish-white metal. [f. L *gallus* cock, transl. of *Lecoq* de Boisbaudran the discoverer 1875, + -ium]

gallivánt', v.i. Gad about (usu. in part. or vbl n.). [perh. perversion of *gallant* v.]

Gällo-, comb. form = French-, as ~ *Briton*, ~ *German*. Hence ~ *MAN'IA* n., ~ *MAN'IAO* a. & n., **Gäll'OPHEL**, **Gäll'OPHOBE**, nn. & aa., ~ *PHOB'IA* n. [*Gallus* GAUL, -O-]

gäll'on, n. A measure of capacity (|| *imperial* ~, 277½ cubic inches; *wine* ~, 231) for liquids or corn etc. [f. ONF *galon* cf. F *ale* bowl]

gallöön', n. Narrow close-woven braid for binding dresses etc., of gold, silver, silk, or cotton. [f. F *galon* f. 12th-c. *galonner* tie the hair with bands, perh. cogn. w. *gallant*]

gäll'op, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Horse's or other quadruped's fastest pace, with all feet off ground together in each stride (*full* ~, *at a* ~, going thus); a ride at this pace. 2. vb. Go at a ~ (of horse, or with its rider as subj., or of other quadruped); make (horse etc.) ~; read, recite, or talk, fast (often *through*, *over*); move or progress rapidly (*in a* ~ *consumption*). [f. F *galop(er)* prob. earlier *walop(er)* etym. dub.]

gällopäde', n. Lively, orig. Hungarian, dance. [F, see **GALOP**, -ADE(1)]

gäll'oper, n. In vbl senses; esp., || (Mil.) *al-de-de-camp*, light field gun. [-ER¹]

Gallophil etc. See **GALLO-**

Gällovid'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Galloway. [f. med. L *Gallovidia* + -AN]

gäll'oway (-o-), n. Horse of small strong breed from Galloway, SW. Scotland; small-sized horse; one of a breed of cattle peculiar to Galloway. [district]

gäll'ows (-öz), n. pl. (usu. treated as sing.). Structure, usu. of two uprights & cross-piece, on which criminals are hanged; punishment of hanging (*a* ~ *look*, *have the* ~ *in one's face*, of sinister appearance); similar structure used for cookery, gymnastics, etc.; ~ *bird*, person fit to be hanged; ~ *ripe*, fit to be hanged; ~ *tree*, = ~. [OE *galga* cf. G *galgen*]

***Gäll'up pöll**, n. Test of how representative sample of public is to vote, esp. as basis of forecasts. [G. H. *Gallup* (b. 1901)]

gälöt', n. (colloq.). Clumsy lout. [!]

gäl'op, n., & v.i. 1. Lively dance in 2-4 time. 2. Dance a ~. [vb f. n., F, see **GALLOP**]

gälöre', adv. & n. (In) abundance (*with beef & ale* ~; ~ *of alcohol*; also *in* ~). [f. Ir. *go leór* to sufficiency]

gälösh, gol-, n. Over-shoe usu. of rubber to keep shoes clean or dry; piece of

leather etc. round lower part of boot or shoe uppers, whence ~MD¹ (-shē) a. [f. F *galoché* perh. ult. f. Gk *kalopous* boot-last (*kalla* pl. logs, *pous* foot)]

galumph', v.i. Go prancing in triumph. [made by L. Carroll perh. on *gallop*, *triumph*]

gāl'vān' [ic, a. 1. hist. Of, produced by, as of, electricity (~ic *battery*, *pila*, former names for types of primary battery; ~ic *electricity*, electricity from a primary battery). 2. fig. (Of smile, movement, etc.) sudden & forced. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [coll., -ic]

gāl'vān'izm, n. (hist.). Electricity from a primary battery; the use of this or other direct-current electricity for medical purposes. Hence ~IST(3) n. [f. F *galvanisme* (L. *Galvani* discoverer 1792, -ISM)]

gāl'vān'izē, v.t. Stimulate by or as by electricity (also fig., ~e *into life*, rouse by shock or excitement); coat with metal by electrolysis; coat (iron) with zinc (usu. without the use of electricity) to protect it from rust. Hence ~A'TION, ~ER¹, nn. [f. F *galvaniser* (prec., -IZE)]

gāl'vāno-, comb. form of GALVANIC, GALVANISM, as ~graphy (-ōg), method of producing copperplate engravings by ~plasty, metal-coating by galvanism; ~meter (-ōm), instrument for measuring electric currents; ~SCOPE.

Gāl'wē'gian (-jn), a. & n. = GALLOVIDIAN. [f. *Galloway* on anal. of *Norwegian*]

gām'ba, n. (Also ~stop) organ stop with string tone. [earlier =, & short for, VIOLA¹

gāmbāde', -ād'ō (pl. -os, -oes), n. Horse's leap or bound; fantastic movement, freak, escapade. [-ade F, readopted (cf. GAMBOLE) by Scott; -ado f. Sp. *gambada* of same orig.]

gām'bler, n. Astringent extract of oriental plant used in tanning etc. [f. Malay *gambir* the plant]

gām'bit, n. Kinds of opening in chess in which player sacrifices pawn or piece to secure certain ends, many ~s having special names as *King's*, *Queen's*, *Cunningham's*, ~. [ult. f. It. *gambetto* tripping up (*gamba* leg)]

gām'ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Play games of chance for money, esp. for high stakes ~e *away*, lose thus); take great risks to secure great results in war, finance, etc.; hence ~ER¹ n., ~esome (-ls) a. 2. n. ~ing (esp. on the ~e); risky undertaking or attempt. [prob. f. OE *gamenian* to sport (*gamen* GAME¹)]

gāmboge' (-ōbz), n. Gum resin from Cambodian & Siamese trees used as yellow pigment. [f. mod. L. *gambogium* f. *Cambodia*]

gām'bol, n., & v.i. (-ll-). Caper, frisk. [f. F *gambade* leap f. It. *gambata* (*gamba* leg)]

game', n. 1. Jest (*make ~ of*, ridicule):

diversion, spell of play (a ~ of *ball*); amusing incident (*what a ~*). 2. Contest played according to rules & decided by skill, strength, or luck (ROUND, SQUARE, ~; *be on*, *off*, one's ~, *be in*, *out of*, *form*; *have the ~ in one's hands*, be sure to win or able to direct it; *play the ~* lit. & fig., observe the rules, behave honourably; *play a good*, *poor*, ~, be skillful or not); (Gk & Rom. Ant.; pl.) athletic, dramatic, & musical contests, gladiatorial etc. shows; scheme, undertaking, etc., followed up like a ~ (*was playing a deep*, *double*, *winning*, *losing*, etc., ~; *the ~ is up*, success now impossible; *so that's your little ~*; *spoilt my ~*; *play one's ~*, advance his schemes unintentionally; ~ *not worth CANDLE*). 3. pl. Dodges, tricks, (*none of your ~s*). 4. Single round in some contests, e.g. whist or tennis (~ & ~, one ~ scored to each side); (Commerc.) apparatus for a ~; winning score in ~ (~ *and*, short for ~ & *set* in tennis); state of ~ (*the ~ is four all*, *love three*, etc.). 5. Hunted animal, quarry, object of pursuit, (*fair ~*, legitimately to be pursued or attacked; *so forbidden ~*); (collect.) wild animals, birds, etc., hunted for sport or food, flesh of these. 6. Kept flock of swans. 7. ~act, -law (usu. pl.), regulating the killing & preservation of ~; ~bag, for holding ~ killed by sportsman; ~ball, state of ~ in tennis etc. at which one point may win; ~chicken, -cock, -egg, -fowl, of kind bred for cock-fighting; ~keeper, man employed to breed ~, prevent poaching, etc.; ~licence, to kill or deal in ~; ~preserver, landowner etc. who breeds ~ & applies ~laws strictly; ~tenant, lessee of shooting or fishing. [com.-Teut.; OE *gamen* cf. OHG *gaman* joy]

game', a. Like a game-cock, spirited, (DIE¹ ~); having the spirit to do, for. Hence ~LY¹ (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mn-) n. [f. GAME¹-cock]

game', v.i. & t. Play at games of chance for money, gamble; throw away in gambling; *gaming-house*, -table, frequented for gambling. Hence ~STER (-ms-) n. [f. GAME¹]

game', a. (Of leg, arm, etc.) lame, crippled. [f]

game'some (-ms-), a. Sportive. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-SOME]

gāmē'te', n. (biol.). Sexual protoplasmic body, which unites with another for reproduction. [f. Gk *gametē* wife, *gametēs* husband, (*gameō* marry)]

gamīn (see Ap.), n. Street Arab, neglected boy. [F]

gāmm'a, n. Third letter (Γ, γ, = G) of Greek alphabet, used sometimes in enumerations to supplement 3 & c; kind of moth; ~rays, X-rays of very short wave-length emitted by radio-active substances. [Gk]

gámmäd'íon, n. = FYLFOT. [late Gk. dim. of prec., fylfot consisting of four gammas (Γ)]

gámm'er, n. (Rustic name for) old woman. [f. *godmother* or *grandmother*, cf. GAFFER]

gámm'on¹, n., & v.t. 1. Bottom piece of fitch of bacon including hind leg (usu. ~ of *bacon*); smoked or cured ham; ~ & *spinach* (as dish, & with pun on *gamm-on³*, = humbug). 2. v.t. Cure (bacon). [f. ONF *gambon* (*gambe* leg, -oon)]

gámm'on², n., & v.t. 1. Kind of victory scoring two games at backgammon. 2. v.t. Defeat (adversary) thus. [perh. = ME *gamen* GAME¹]

gámm'on³, n., int., & v.i. & t. 1. Humbug, deception; (int.) nonsense! 2. vb. Talk plausibly; feign (intr.); hoax, deceive. [perh. as prec.]

gámm'on⁴, v.t., & n., (naut.). Lash (bowsprit) to stem: (n., also ~ing) the lashing. [?]

gámo-, comb. form of Gk *gamos* marriage, used esp. in Bot. describing plants with specified parts united, as *gamopetalous* with petals united; also *gamogen'esis* sexual reproduction.

gámp, n. (colloq.). Umbrella, esp. large untidy one. [f. Mrs. G ~ in *Martin Chuzzlewit*]

gám'ut, n. 1. hist. Lowest note in medieval scale = modern G on lowest line of bass staff; the Great Scale consisting of all notes used in medieval music (G as above to E in highest space of treble). 2. mod. Whole series of recognized notes; major diatonic scale; people's or period's recognized scale; voice's or instrument's compass; whole range or scope of anything (*the whole ~ of crime*; *run up & down the ~*). [f. med. L *gamma ut* (GAMMA taken as name for note one tone lower than A of classical scale + *ut* first of six arbitrary names of notes forming hexachord, being the italicized syllables of a Sapphic stanza, *Ut queant laxis resonare fibris Míragestorum famuli tuorum, Solve polluti labii reatum, Sancte Johannes*)]

gám'y, a. Abounding in game; = GAME² (rare); having flavour or scent of game kept till it is high. [-Y¹]

gán'der, n. Male goose (*sauce for the goose is sauce for the ~*, used in retorting an argument etc. on its first user); fool, simpleton. [OE *gan(d)ra*, -d- being prob. euphonic as in THUNDER, cf. Du. *gander*; perh. f. same st. as GOOSE, perh. orig. the name of another bird]

gáng, n., & (Sc.) v.i. 1. Company of workmen, or of slaves or prisoners; band of persons acting or going about together esp. for criminal purpose or one disapproved by speaker (*v.i., join up, act in concert, with); set of tools etc. arranged to work simultaneously; ~board, plank usu. with cleats nailed on it for walking

into or out of boat. 2. v.i. (Sc.). Go; ~ *agley* (*aglā'*), (of plan etc.) go awry; ~ one's *ain gail*, take one's own course. [earlier senses *mode of going, way*, cf. G & Du. *gang*, & obs. & Sc. vb *gang* walk, go, f. OE *gangan*, also OHG]

gángo (-j), v.t. Protect (fish-hook, part of fishing-line) with fine wire. Hence **gán'ging¹** (-j-) n. [?]

gáng'er, n. Foreman of gang. [-ER¹]

Gáng'et'ic, a. Of the Ganges. [f. L *Gangeticus* (L f. Gk *Gaggēs*, -ic)]

gáng'lijon (-ngg-), n. (pl. -lia). Enlargement or knot on nerve, from which nerve-fibres radiate; mass of grey matter in central nervous system forming a nerve-nucleus (~on-cell, -*corpuscule*, -*globule*, nerve-cell in this; (fig.) centre of force, activity, or interest. Hence ~*ated*, ~*onated*, [-ATE², -ED¹], ~FORM, ~*on'ic*, aa. [f. Gk *gagglion*]

gáng'rène (-ngg-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Necrosis, usu. with decomposition, of part of the body (often fig.); hence **gáng'rénous** a. 2. vb. Become affected, affect, with mortification. [f. L f. Gk *gangraina*]

***gáng'ster**, n. Member of a gang of violent criminals or roughs. [-STER]

gangué (gáng), n. Earth etc., matrix, in which ore is found. [F, f. G *gang* lode = GANG]

gáng'way, n. & int. Passage esp. between rows of seats (|| in House of Commons, cross-passage half-way down giving access to back benches; members *above*, *below*, ~ are more, less, closely associated with official policy of their party); passage etc. on ship, esp. platform connecting quarterdeck & fore-castle; opening in bulwarks by which ship is entered or left, bridge laid across from this to shore etc.; (int.) make way, please! [OE *gangweg* (GANG, WAY)]

gán'ister, n. Close-grained siliceous stone found, mixed with clay, in the lower coal-measures of Yorkshire, and used for furnace-linings. [?]

gánn'et, n. A sea-bird, the solan (-goose). [OE *ganot* cogn. w. Du. *gent* GANDER]

gán'oid, a. & n. (Of fish-scale) enamelled, smooth & bright; (fish) having ~ scales. [f. F *ganoide* f. Gk *ganos* brightness + -oid]

gán'try, **gaun²**, n. Four-footed wooden stand for barrels; structure supporting travelling crane, railway signals, etc. [perh. f. obs. *gawn* contr. of GALLON + *tree*, or f. OF *gantier* var. of *chantier*]

Gán'y'mède, n. (Joc.) waiter, potboy; (Astron.) largest satellite of Jupiter. [f. L f. Gk *Ganymēdes* cupbearer of Zeus]

gaol (jāl), **jail**, n., & v.t. (*g-* in official, *g-* & *j-* indifferently in literary use, *j-* in U.S.). 1. Public prison for detention of persons committed by process of law, (without article) confinement in this; ~bird, prisoner, habitual criminal, rogue;

~delivery, clearing of ~ esp. at by trying all prisoners awaiting trial; ~ fever, virulent typhus formerly endemic in ~s. 2. v.t. Put in ~. [f. ONF *gaiole*, OF *gaiole*, (now *gédie*) f. Rom. dim. of *L. cavea* CAGE]

gaol'er (jäl-), **jail'er**, **jail'or**, n. (see prec.). Man in charge of gaol or prisoners in it. Hence ~ESS' n. [as prec. + -ER²(2)]

gäp, n. Breach in hedge or wall; gorge, pass; unfilled space or interval, blank, break in continuity, (stop, fill, supply, a ~, make up deficiency); wide divergence in views, sympathies, etc. Hence ~PED¹ (-pt), ~P'Y¹, aa. [ON, = chasm, cogn. w. foll.]

gäpe, v.i., & n. 1. Open mouth wide, (of mouth, oysters, wounds, chasm, etc.) open or be open wide, split, part asunder; stare, gaze curiously, at; yawn. 2. n. Yawn; open-mouthed stare; the ~s, poultry disease with gaping as symptom, (joc.) fit of yawning; expanse of open mouth or beak, part of beak that opens; rent, opening; ~seed (joc.), staring, occasion for staring, thing stared at. [f. ON *gapa* vb cf. *G gaffen*]

gäp'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. kinds of bird, kind of mollusc. [-ER¹]

gä'rage (or *garahzh'*), n., & v.t. 1. Building or shed for storing or repair of horseless vehicles, esp. motor-cars. 2. v.t. Put (motor-car) in ~. [F (*garer* shunt f. Teut., cf. OE *werian* defend, -AGE)]

gärb, n., & v.t. 1. Dress, costume, esp. of distinctive kind, way one is dressed. 2. v.t. Attire, put (esp. distinctive) clothes upon (person; usu. pass. or refl.). [f. It. *garbo* elegance, f. Teut. cf. OHG *garawit* preparation cogn. w. *GEAR*]

gärb'age, n. Offal used for food, refuse, filth; foul or worthless reading. [perh. f. OF *garbe* sheaf, bundle, -AGE]

gärb'le, v.t. Select best in, take pick of, (rare); make (usu. unfl. or malicious) selections from (facts, statements, etc.), mutilate in order to misrepresent. [f. It. *garbellare* f. Arab. *gharbala* sift cf. *kirbal* sieve]

gärb'oard (-berd), n. (Also ~ *strake*) first range of planks laid on ship's bottom next keel; corresponding plates in iron ship. [f. Du. *gaarboord* (GATHER, BOARD)]

garçon (see Ap.), n. Waiter in French hotel etc. [F]

gärd'en, n., & v.i. 1. Piece of ground devoted to growing flowers, fruit, or vegetables (KITCHEN, || MARKET, ~); (pl.) ornamental grounds for public resort (usu. *botanical, zoological*, etc., ~s); specially fertile region (the ~ of England, Kent, Worcestershire, etc.); || (pl. with name prefixed as *Onslow, Spring, G~s*) set of houses in street, square, etc.; the *G~*, philosophy or school of Epicurus (cf. *roses, admirer*); (attrib.) with or without hyphen cultivated, not wild, (~

plants, ~-cress; common or ~, al., ordinary), living in ~s (~-spider; ~-white, kind of butterfly; ~-warbler, kind of bird); ~city, industrial or other town laid out systematically with a view to spacious and attractive surroundings; || so ~ *suburb*; ~engine, portable force-pump for watering; ~frame, forcing-frame for plants; ~glass, bell-glass for covering plant; ~party, social meeting on lawn or in ~; ~plot, piece of ground used as ~; ~seat, bench etc. for use in ~, || similar seat for one or two on top of omnibus; || ~stuff, vegetables & fruit; (sl.) *lead up the ~* (path), entice, mislead; hence ~EP¹ (-nd), ~ESQUE¹, aa., ~ING¹(1) n. 2. v.i. Cultivate a ~. [f. ONF *gärdin* ult. f. Teut., cf. *G garden*, also *GARTH, YARD*]

gärd'ener, n. Person who gardens, esp. servant employed to tend a garden. [as prec. + -ER²(2), cf. *F jardinier*]

gärdén'ia, n. Genus of trees & shrubs with large white or yellow flowers & usu. fragrant scent. [mod. L (Dr. A. *Garden* d. 1791, -IA¹)]

Gärd'ner (gün), n. Early type of machine gun with several barrels, invented by Capt. M. W. *Gardner*.

gäre'fowl (-rf-), n. The great auk. [f. ON *geirfugl* (geir of doubtful meaning)]

gär'fish, n. Fish with long spearlike snout & green bones. [perh. f. OE *gär* spear cogn. w. *Gk garison*]

gärgän'tuan, a. Enormous, gigantic. [*Gargantua* giant in Rabelais + -AN]

gärg'et (-g-), n. Inflamed state of head or throat in cattle, pigs, or poultry; inflammation of cow's or ewe's udder. [perh. f. obs. *garget* throat f. OF *gargate* etym. dub.]

gär'gle, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Wash (throat), wash throat, with liquid kept in motion by breath. 2. n. Liquid used thus. [f. F *gargouiller* (foll.)]

gärg'oyile, **gür-**, n. Grotesque spout usu. with human or animal mouth, head, or body, projecting from gutter of (esp. Gothic) building to carry water clear of wall. [f. OF *gargouille* throat, gargyle]

gäribäl'di, n. Kind of woman's or child's blouse, orig. of bright red; || biscuit containing currants. [f. red shirts of *G~* (Italian patriot 1807-82) & his followers]

gär'ish, a. Obtrusively bright, showy, gaudy, over-decorated. Hence ~LY¹adv., ~NESS n. [perh. f. obs. *gaure* to stare, etym. dub.]

gärl'and, n., & v.t. 1. Wreath of flowers, leaves, etc., worn on head or hung on something as decoration; distinction, palm, prize, for victory etc.; (arch.) anthology, miscellany; metal etc. imitation of ~. 2. v.t. Crown with ~, deck with ~s, serve as ~ to. [OF (-e), etym. dub.]

gärl'ic, n. Plant with bulbous strong-smelling pungent-tasting root used as

flavouring in cookery. Hence (esp. of smell) ~*ky*¹ a. [OE *gariéac* (*gdr* spear, *LEE*)]

gárm'ent, n., & v.t. Article of dress, esp. gown or cloak, (pl.) clothes; outward and visible covering of anything; (vb; poet., usu. in p.p.) attire. [f. OF *garniment* (GARNISH, -MENT)]

gárm'er, n., & v.t. (poet. & rhet.). 1. Store-house for corn, granary, (also fig.). 2. v.t. Store, deposit, collect. [f. OF *gerner* f. *L granarium* GRANARY]

gárm'et, n. Vitreous mineral, of which a deep transparent red kind is used as gem. [f. OF *grenat* f. med. *L granatum* POMEGRANATE (from resemblance to its seeds)]

gárm'ish, v.t., & n. 1. Decorate, embellish, (esp. dish for table); (Law) serve notice on (person, called ~*er*¹ n.) for purpose of attaching money belonging to debtor, summon (person) as party to litigation started between others; hence ~*er*¹, ~*MENT*, nn. 2. n. (Also ~*ing*¹ n.) things used to decorate dish for table (also fig. of literary embellishments). [f. OF *garnir* (-*ish*) fortify, prob. f. Teut. cogn. w. *WARN*]

gárm'iture, n. Appurtenances, accessories; adornment, trimming esp. of dish; costume. [f. (GARNISH, -URE)]

garrotte. See GARROTTÉ.

gárrét¹, n. Room on top floor, room partly or entirely in roof, attic; (sl.) head (*be wrong in the ~, have one's ~ unfurnished* etc.). [f. OF *garite* watch-tower (*garir* defend, f. Teut. cf. OE *werian* defend)]

gárrét², v.t. (archit.). Insert small pieces of stone in joints of (coarse masonry). [f.]

gárréteer¹, n. Dweller in garret, esp. poor literary hack. [-*ER*]

gárrison, n., & v.t. 1. Troops stationed in fortress, town, etc. to defend it (~*town*, having ~). 2. v.t. Furnish with, occupy as, ~; place (troops, soldier) on ~ duty. [f. OF *garison* (*garir* see GARRET¹ -*son*) defence, w. sense of f & obs. E *garrison* (GARNISH)]

gárron, n. Small inferior horse bred in Scotland & Ireland. [f. Gael. *gearran*]

gárrót, n. Kind of sea duck. [f.]

gar(r)óttle, n., & v.t. 1. Spanish method of capital punishment by strangulation, apparatus used in it; highway robbery performed by throttling victim. 2. v.t. Execute by strangulation; throttle in order to rob, whence ~*er*¹ n. [f. Sp. *garrote*(ar), the n. (etym. dub.) meaning stick (used in twisting cord tight)]

gárrulous (-*rôb*-), a. Given to talk, loquacious, wordy; (of bird, stream, etc.) chattering, babbling. Hence or cogn. **gárrul'ity** (-*rôb*-), ~*NESS*, nn., ~*LY*¹ adv. [f. *L garrulus* (*garrire* chatter) + *-ous*]

gárr'et, n., & v.t. 1. Band worn above or below knee to keep stocking up; || the G~

(badge of) highest order of English knighthood, membership of this; (G~)= G~ King of Arms. 2. v.t. Fasten (stocking), endrole (leg), with ~. [f. OF *gartier* (*garret*, now *jarret*, bend of knee, perh. f. Celt., cf. Breton *gar*, W *gdr*, leg-bone)]

gárrh, n. (arch. & dial.). Close, yard, garden, paddock, open space within cloisters. [f. ON *garthr*=OE *geard* YARD¹]

gás, n. (pl. *gases*), & v.t. & i. (-*ss*-). 1. Any aeriform or completely elastic fluid (used chiefly of those that do not become liquid or solid at ordinary temperatures, other ~*es* being usu. called *vapours*); such fluid, esp. COAL~ or various mixtures with carburetted hydrogen, used for lighting or heating; **(colloq.) petrol, gasoline, (step on the ~, accelerate motor engine by pressing down accelerator pedal with foot, also fig.)*; (Mining) explosive mixture of firedamp with air; hydrogen etc. used to fill balloon; nitrous oxide ~ as anaesthetic (often *laughing*~); (also *poison*~) kinds used to asphyxiate enemy in war; jet of ~ used for lighting; empty talk, boasting, humbug, windbag eloquence. 2. ~*bag*, bag for holding ~, (derog.) empty talker, airship's ~-container, airship or balloon (opp. aeroplane); ~*bracket*, pipe with burner's projecting from wall; ~*coal*, bituminous from which ~ can be made; ~*coke*, residuum of coal when ~ has been made from it; ~*engine*, ~*motor*, with power obtained by production or rhythmical combustion and explosion of ~ in closed cylinder; ~*fitter*, tradesman or workman providing house with ~*fittings*, apparatus for heating or lighting with ~; ~*helmet*, ~*mask*, kinds of appliance including respirator worn as defence against poison~; ~*light*, light given by esp. coal~, jet of burning ~ (~*light paper, plates*, photographic materials that can be developed in weak artificial light); ~*main*, main pipe supplying ~; ~*man*, manufacturer of ~, collector of sums due for ~-supply; ~*mask* (as ~*helmet*); ~*meter*, apparatus registering amount of ~ consumed; ~*oven* (heated by ~; frequently used as a means of suicide); ~*ring*, perforated with small holes & fed with ~ for cooking etc.; ~*shell* (charged with poison~, usu. in liquid form); ~*tar*, COAL-tar produced in making ~; ~*works*, manufactory of ~; hence *gás'rous* a., *gasé'try* n., ~*iform*, ~*LESS*, aa., ~*ify* v.t., ~*ifiable* a., ~*ification* n. 3. vb. Supply (room, railway-carriage, etc.) with ~; project poison~ upon (enemy, place), (pass.) be poisoned with ~; pass (thread, lace) through ~-flame to remove loose fibres; talk emptily or boastfully, whence ~*er*¹ n. [wd invented by Van Helmont on Gk *khaleos* CHALOS]

Gás'con, n. Native of Gascony; braggart. [f.]

gasconade', n., & v.i. Boast(ing). [f. F *gasconade* (prec., -ADE)]

gaselier', n. Gas-lamp, usu. suspended from ceiling, with several burners often on branches. [f. GAS after *ORANDELIER*]

gash, n., & v.t. 1. Long & deep slash, cut, or wound; cleft such as might be made by slashing cut; act of making such cut. 2. v.t. Make ~ in, cut. [earlier *garce* v. & n. f. OF *garser* perh. f. LL *carazare* f. Gk *kharassō* incise]

gās'két, n. Small cord for securing furled sail to yard; strip of tow etc. for packing piston or caulking joint. [f]

gasogene. See *GASOGENE*.

gās'olène, -ine (-én), n. Volatile inflammable liquid got in distilling petroleum & used for heating & lighting; *petrol. [GAS, -OL, -ENE, -INE¹]

gasóm'éter, n. (Chem.) vessel for holding gas; large reservoir in which gas is stored for distribution by pipes. [f. F *gazomètre* (gas GAS, *mètre* f. Gk *metron* measure)]

gasp (gahsp), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Catch breath, strain for air or breath, with open mouth as in exhaustion or astonishment; ~ *life* etc. away or out, expire; ~ out, utter with ~s; hence ~ingly² adv., ~ER¹ n., (esp., sl.) || cheap cigarette. 2. n. Convulsive catching of breath (at one's last ~, at point of death). [f. ON *geispa* to yawn cf. *geip* idle talk]

gās'ly, a. Of, full of, like, gas; (of talk etc.) empty, verbose. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

gās't(e)ropōd, n. Mollusc (e.g. snail) with locomotive organ placed ventrally. So *gāsterōp'odous* a. [GASTRO-, Gk *pous* *podos* foot]

gāstrae'a, n. (Assumed) primitive sac-like animal consisting of two layers (ectoderm & endoderm) of cells. [mod. L. (GASTRO-)]

gās'tric, a. Of the stomach (~ *fever*, enteric; ~ *juice*, thin clear acid nearly colourless fluid secreted by stomach glands & effecting digestion). [f. Gk as foll. + -IC]

gāstr(o)-, comb. form of Gk *gastēr* (-ēros stomach, as *gastro-ent'ric*, of stomach & intestines, *gās'troclēle*, *gāstrō'OMY*, *gāstr'ITIS*).

gāstr'ōl'ogý, n. Science of cookery. So ~Ōl'OGER, ~Ōl'OGIST, nn. [f. Gk *gastrologia* (prec., -LOGY)]

gās'tronōme, n. Judge of cookery. [F, back formation f. *gastronomie* see foll.]

gāstrōn'omíý, n. Art & science of good eating. So ~ER¹ n., *gāstrōn'om'ic*(AL) a., *gāstrōn'om'icaly*¹ adv., ~IST(S) n. [f. F *gastronomie* f. Gk *GASTRONOMIA* on anal. of *astronomia* *ASTRONOMY*]

gāte', n., & v.t. 1. Opening in wall of city or enclosure made for entrance & exit & capable of being closed with barrier; (Bibl.) place of judicial assembly in city; mountain pass; means of entrance

or exit (~ of *ivory*, *horn*, by which false, true, dreams come; *Bosphorus* & *Hellaspont* are the two ~s of *Constantinople*); barrier closing the opening of a wall, wooden or iron framework, solid or of bars or gratings, hung on hinges, turning on pivots, or sliding, single or double; contrivance regulating passage of water; number entering by payment at ~s to see football match etc., amount of money thus taken (also ~money). 2. || ~bill (Oxf. & Camb.), record of undergraduate's returns to college after hours, fines imposed for these; ~crasher sl. (also *crasher*), uninvited intruder at ball etc., so ~crash v.i. & t.; ~house, lodge of park etc., room over city ~ often used as prison; ~keeper, attendant at ~, || kind of butterfly; ~legged table (with legs in ~like frame swinging back to allow top to fold down); ~meeting, at which money is taken for admission; ~post, on which ~ is hung or against which it shuts (between you & me & the ~post, or bed-post, in close confidence); ~way, = ~ (first sense), frame of or structure built over ~, means of entrance or exit; hence ~LESS (-tl-) a. 3. v.t. (Oxf. & Camb.). || Confine to college entirely or after certain hours. [OE *geat* = OFris. *gat*, *jet*, *hole*]

gāte', n. (With prefixed name in North etc.) street. [f. ON *gata* cf. *G gasse* lane]

gāth'er (-dh-), v.t. & i. Bring together, cause to assemble, (be ~ed to one's *fathers*, die); acquire by collecting, amass; cull, pluck; collect (grain etc.) as harvest; receive addition of (*rolling stone ~s no moss*, change of calling does not pay; *complexion ~s colour*; *invalid ~s strength*; ~ *head*, acquire strength, swell as a festering sore; ~ *way*, begin to move, of ship; summon up (energies), gain or recover (breath); infer, deduce, (*that*); draw (garment, brow) together in folds or wrinkles, esp. pucker (part of dress) by running thread through; pick up from ground; draw up (limbs, person) into smaller compass; sum up (scattered facts); summon up (thoughts, strength, etc.) for an effort; come together, congregate, form a mass; receive additions (*the tale ~ed like a snowball*); come to a head, develop purulent swelling. [OE *gaderian*, cf. Du. *gaderen* gather & OE *gædor* together]

gāth'ering (-dh-), n. In vbl senses: esp.: purulent swelling; assembly, meeting; ~coal, large piece to keep fire in. [-ING¹]

gāth'ers (-dherz), n. pl. Part of dress that is gathered or drawn in. [f. *GATHER*]

Gāt'ling, n. (Also ~gun) machine gun with clustered barrels. (inventor's name)

gauche (gōah), a. Taclless, without ease or grace, socially awkward. [F]

gaucherie (gōaherē'), n. Gauche manners, a gauche action. [F]

gauch'ō (gow-, gaw-,), n. (pl. -ōs). One of a mixed European & Amer.-Ind. race of mounted herdsmen. [Sp., prob. f. native S.-Amer. lang.]

gaud, n. Something gaudy, showy ornament, gewgaw; (pl.) showy ceremonies, gaieties. [f. OF *gaudir* make merry f. L *gaudere* rejoice]

gaud'y, n. Grand entertainment, esp. annual college dinner to old members etc.; ~day, day of rejoicing, day on which college ~ is held. [f. L *gaudium* joy]

gaud'y, a. Tastelessly or inappropriately fine, showy, or brilliant (of dress, decoration, literary style, etc.). Hence ~ly^a adv., ~NESS n. [earliest sense *luxurious*, of food etc.; perh. orig. attrib. use of proc., later taken as GAUD + -Y²]

gauffer. See GOFER.

***gaufre**. See GOFER.

gauge¹ (gā), **gāge**² (in naut. sense), n. 1. Standard measure to which things must conform, esp. measure of capacity or contents of barrel, diameter of bullet, or thickness of sheet iron; capacity, extent, scope, (take the ~ of, estimate); distance between pair of rails (*broad, narrow, ~, of more, less, than 4 ft. 8½ in., standard ~*). 2. (Naut.; *gauge*) relative position in respect to wind (*have the weather ~ of, be to windward of, fig. have advantage of; also rarely lee, southerly, etc., ~*). 3. Graduated instrument measuring force or quantity of rainfall, stream, tide, wind, etc.; contrivance attached to vessel to show height of its contents; instrument for testing and verifying dimensions of tools, wire, etc.; adjustable carpenter's tool for marking parallel lines; (Print.) strip regulating depth of margin etc.; means of estimating, criterion, test. [ONF, etym. dub.]

gauge² (gā), v.t. Measure exactly (esp. objects of standard size, as wire, bolts; fluctuating quantities or forces, as rainfall, wind; depth of liquid content); find capacity or content of (cask etc.) by measurement & calculation (*gauging-rod, exciseman's instrument for this*); estimate, take measure of, (person, character); make uniform, bring to standard size or shape. Hence ~ABLE a., **gau'gxr**¹ (1, 2) n., (gāj-). [f. ONF *gauger* etym. dub.]

Gaul, n. Inhabitant of ancient Gaul; (joc.) Frenchman. [f. *Gaul* the country f. F *Gaule* f. L *Gallia* (*Gallus* a Gaul)]

Gaul'ish, a. & n. (Language) of ancient Gauls; (joc.) French (adj.). [prec. + -ish¹]

Gauketter (gow'liter), n. Nazi district political leader. [G]

gault, n. (geol.). Series of clay and marl beds between upper & lower greensand. [f]

gaunt, a. Lean, haggard; grim or desolate looking. Hence ~NESS n. [etym. dub.;

from 1440; cf. Norw. *gand* thin stick or man]

gaunt'lét¹, n. (Hist.) armoured glove (*fling, throw, down the ~, issue challenge; pick, take, up the ~, accept challenge*); stout glove with long wrist for driving, fencing, wicket-keeping, etc. Hence ~ED² a. [f. F *gantélet* (*gant* glove f. OSw. *wante*, -LET)]

gaunt'lét², ***gānt**-, n. Run the ~, pass between rows of men who strike one with sticks, cords, etc., as military, naval, or school punishment (also fig. of being subjected to criticism). [earlier *gantlope* f. Sw. *gallopp* (GATE², *lopp* course, cf. G *gassenlaufen*) v. assim. to prec.]

gauntry, -tree. See GANTRY.

gaur (gowr), n. The Indian wild ox. [Hind.]

gauss (gows), n. Unit of intensity of a magnetic field. Hence ~AGE n. [after Karl G~, German mathematician (d. 1856)]

gauze, n. Thin transparent fabric of silk, cotton, wire, etc.; slight haze. Hence ~Y² a., ~INESS n. [f. F *gaze* etym. dub.]

gave. See GIVE¹.

***gāv'el**, n. Auctioneer's or chairman's or judge's hammer. [f]

gāv'elkind, n. (legal). Land-tenure, especially in Kent, involving equal division of intestate's property among all his sons. [f. obs. *gavel*, OE *gafol*, tribute, cf. mod. L *gabulum*, cogn. w. GIVE¹, + KIND¹]

gavotte¹, n. Slow dance of 18th c.; music for it; piece of music in common time, each phrase beginning on third beat of bar. [F, f. Pr. *gavoto* (*Gavot* native of Alps)]

gawk, n. Awkward or bashful person. [f]

gawk'y, a. & n. Awkward, ungainly, bashful, (person). Hence ~INESS n. [perh. f. prec., but found earlier]

gay, a. (~er, ~est). Full of or disposed to or indicating mirth, light-hearted, sportive; airy, off-hand; *(sl.) cheeky, impertinent; (euphem.) dissolute, immoral, living by prostitution; showy, brilliant, bright-coloured, finely dressed, (with). Hence **gai'ly**² adv. [f. F *gai* perh. f. OHG *wāhi* pretty]

gāze, v.i., & n. 1. Look fixedly (*at, on, upon*); hence **gāz'ER**¹ n. 2. n. Intent look (*stand at ~, looking thus*). [f]

gāzē'bō, n. Structure whence a view may be had, belvedere, lantern, turret, balcony, etc. [perh. joc. formation f. prec. on L future (cf. LAYADO), or f. some Oriental word]

gazelle, n. Small graceful soft-eyed kinds of antelope. [F, f. Arab. *ghazal*]

gazette¹, n., & v.t. 1. (Hist.) news-sheet, periodical publication giving current events; || one of three official journals (*London, Edinburgh, Belfast, G~*) issued by authority twice a week with lists of government appointments & bankrupts

& other public notices; (in newspaper titles as *Birmingham, Shields, G-*) newspaper. 2. v.t. || Publish in official ~ (esp. in pass. of officials so announced). [F, f. It. *gazetta* perh. f. Venetian small coin so called]

gāzetteer', n. Geographical dictionary. [so called as first provided for gazette-writers, earlier sense of ~]

gāz'ogēne, gās-, n. Apparatus for making aerated waters. [f. F *gazogène* (GAS, -GEN)]

gear (gēr), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Equipment, apparel, etc. (arch.); harness of draught animals; apparatus, appliances, tackle, tools; combination of wheels, levers, etc.; wheels working on one another by teeth etc.; arrangements connecting motor with its work (*in, out of, ~*, connected or working, with connexion interrupted or not working; *high, low, ~*, by which driven part of bicycle, motor-car, etc., revolves faster, slower, relatively to driving part; similarly *top, bottom, ~* of the available extremes), whence ~ING¹(6) (gēr-) n.; rigging; goods, household utensils; ~box, -case, enclosing ~ing of bicycle etc.; ~wheel, cog-wheel, esp. that in bicycle which transmits motion of pedals to axle; hence ~LESS (gēr-) a. 2. vb. Harness (draught animal; often *up*); put (machinery) *in ~*, provide with ~ (*~ up, down*, provide with high, low, ~); (of cog-wheel) fit exactly *into*, be *in ~ with*. [prob. f. ON *gervi* = OHG *garawi* f. OTeut. *garu* ready]

gēck'ō (g-), n. (pl. ~s, ~es). House lizard found in warm climates. [f. Malay *gekoq*, imit. of its cry]

|| **gee¹, gee-gee, n.** (colloq.). Horse. [orig. child's wd, f. foll.]

gee¹, gee-hō', gee'(h)ūp', gee'wō', int. (Words of command to horse etc.) go on, go faster, (occas.) turn to right.

***gee², int.** of asseveration, discovery, etc. [abbr. of *Jesus*]

geese. See GOOSE.

geez'er (g-), n. (sl.). Old person, old creature. [var. of north. *guizer* mummer (as *GUISE* + -ER¹)]

Géhenn'a (g-), n. Hell; place of burning, torment, or misery. [eccl. L, f. Hellenistic Gk *geenna* f. Heb. *gehinnom* hell, orig. valley of Hinnom where children were sacrificed]

gei'sha (gā-), n. Japanese dancing-girl. [Jap.]

Geiss'ler (gi-) tūbe, n. Sealed tube filled with rarefied gas that becomes incandescent when an electric current is passed through it. [H. Geissler, German physicist (d. 1879)]

geist (gi-), n. Intellectuality & sensibility, capacity for or tendency to mental fervor. [G, as *geist*]

gēl, n. A semi-solid colloidal solution. [first syllable of *gelatin*]

gēl'atin (ē) (also -ān), n. Amorphous

brittle transparent tasteless slightly yellow substance, basis of the jellies resulting from stewing skin, tendons, ligaments, bone-matrix, etc. (*vegetable ~*, constituent of gluten identical with animal ~; *blasting ~*, an explosive nitro-glycerine compound; ~ *paper*, coated with sensitized ~ for photography). Hence **gēlatin'ifrom** a., **gēlatin'o-**comb. form. [f. F *gelatine* f. It. *gelatina* (*gelata* JELLY, -IN)]

gēlāt'in/ous, a. Jelly-like in consistence etc.; of gelatin. So ~INE(3) v.t. & i., ~OLD a. & n. [f. F *gelatineux* (prec., -OUS)]

gēlā'tion, n. Solidification by freezing. [f. L *gelatio* (*gelare* freeze, -ATION)]

gēld (g-), v.t. Deprive (usu. male animal) of generative power, castrate, excise testicles or ovaries of. Hence (-)~ER¹ n. [f. ON *gelda*]

gēl'ding (g-), n. Gelded horse or other animal. [f. ON *geldingr* (prec., -ING²)]

gēl'id, a. Icy, ice-cold; chilly, cool. [f. L *gelidus* (*gelu* frost) cogn. w. COLD]

gēl'ignite, n. A nitro-glycerine explosive. [f. GELATINE, L *ignis* fire, -ITS¹(2)]

gēm, n., & v.t. (-mm-). 1. Precious stone, esp. when cut and polished; object of great beauty or worth, choicest part of, prized thing; precious or semi-precious stone with engraved design; hence ~M'Y¹ a. 2. v.t. Adorn (as) with ~s. [f. L *gemma* bud, jewel]

Gēmār'a (g-), n. Later part of Talmud, commentary on MISHNA. [Aram., = completion]

gēm'inatē¹, a. (nat. hist.). Combined in pairs. [f. L *geminare* (*geminus* twin), -ATE¹]

gēm'in/ātē², v.t. Double, repeat, arrange in pairs. So ~ATION n. [as prec., -ATE²]

Gēm'inī, n. & (-i) int. Constellation Castor and Pollux or the Twins, third sign of Zodiac, (also as arch. or vulg. int. of surprise, pr. jimiñi). [L, = twins]

gēm'm'a, n. (bot., zool.; pl. -ae). Leaf-bud; (in mosses etc.) small cellular body that separates from mother-plant & starts fresh one; (Zool.) bud-like growth on animal of low organization becoming detached & developing into individual. [L, see GEM]

gēm'm'atē¹, a. Having buds, reproducing by gemmation. [f. L *gemmaeus* (prec., -ATE²)]

gēm'mātē², v.i. Put forth buds, propagate by gemmation. [f. L *gemmae* (GEMMA), -ATE²]

gēm'mā'tion, n. Act, manner, of budding, arrangement of buds; reproduction by gemmae, formation of new individual by protrusion & separation of part of the parent. So **gēm'm'atīv'a** a. [F, f. L as prec., -ATION]

gēm'mif'erous, a. Producing precious stones; bearing buds; = foll. [f. L *gemmafer* (GEMMA, -I-, -FEROUS)]

gemmip'arous, a. Of, propagating by, gemmation. Hence ~ly¹ adv. [GEMMA, L. *-parus* (*parere* bring forth)]

gém'mbôl'ogy, n. Science of gems. Hence ~L'OGIST n. [f. L. *gemma* GEM, -O-, -LOGY]

gém'm'ûle, n. (biol.). Small gemma; one of the hypothetical units in Darwin's theory of pangensis. [F, f. L. *gemma* (GEMMA, -ULE)]

gém's'bók (gémz-), n. Large S.-African antelope with long slender straight horns. [Du.]

|| **gén**, n. (R.A.F. sl.). Information etc. published for all ranks. [first syllable of *general information*]

-**gén**, suf. forming nn. in scientific use f. F. *-gène* f. Gk. *-genês* -born, of such a kind, (*gen-*, *gn-*, seen in *gi-gn-omai* be born, become). (1) in *oxygen* & later chem. formations -*gen* has the sense that which produces (*hydrogen*, *nitrogen*, *cyanogen*); (2) in *endogen*, *exogen*, etc. (bot.) -*gen* = growth (*acrogen*, *thallogen*).

gênâppe', n. Smooth kind of worsted. [f. *Génappe* in Belgium]

gendarmine (see Ap.), n. (pl. ~s). 1. Soldier, mounted or on foot, employed in police duties esp. in France. 2. (Mountainering) rock-tower occupying & blocking arête. [F]

gendarmérie (see Ap.), n. Force of gendarmes. [F]

gên'der', n. Grammatical classification (or one of the two, or three, classes) of objects roughly corresponding to the two sexes & sexlessness (MASCULINE, FEMININE, & NEUTER; see also COMMON¹, EPICENE), (of nouns & pronouns) property of belonging to such class, (of adj.) appropriate form for accompanying a noun of any such class; (joc.) sex. Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *gend're* f. L. *GENUS*]

gên'der', v.t. (poet.). = ENGENDER. [f. OF *gend'rer* f. L. *generare* (prec.)]

gêne, n. (biol.). One of the factors or elements of which a germ-cell contains a pair transmitted each from one parent. [mod. formation, of. -GEN]

généal'ogical, a. Of genealogy; tracing family descent; ~ tree, table showing descent of family or of animal species in shape of tree with branches. Hence ~ly¹ adv. [f. F. *généalogique* f. med. L. f. Gk. *genealogikos* (GENEALOGY, -IO) + -AL]

généal'og|ize, v.t. & i. Trace genealogy of; draw up genealogies. Hence ~IST(1) n. [foll., -IZE]

généal'ogy, n. Account of descent from ancestor by enumeration of intermediate persons, pedigree; investigation of pedigrees; plant's or animal's line of development from earlier forms. [OF (-gie) f. LL f. Gk. *genealogia* (genea race, -LOGY)]

généra. See GENUS.

général, a. & n. 1. Completely or approximately universal, including or affecting all or nearly all parts, not

partial, particular, local, or sectional, (~ *confession*, to be made by whole congregation; G~ *Council*, summoned by invitation to the Church at large; ~ *ELECTION*; G~ *Post Office*, || head office in London; ~ *post*, first morning delivery, also name of indoor game); prevalent, widespread, usual, (in a ~ way, ordinarily); not limited in application, relating to whole class of objects, occasions, etc., true of all or (opp. *universal*) nearly all cases (as a ~ rule, in most cases), including points common to individuals of a class & neglecting differences (~ *word*, *term*, *notion*); not restricted to one department, not specialized, (|| ~ *dealer*, trader in many articles; ~ *hospital*, large military hospital receiving sick and wounded from the field hospitals; ~ *practitioner*, doctor treating cases of all kinds; || ~ *servant*, maid-of-all-work; ~ *reader*, of miscellaneous literature); roughly corresponding or adequate, sufficient for practical purposes, (~ *resemblance*, *idea*); vague, indefinite, (*spoke only in ~ terms*); (Mil., of officer) above rank of colonel; (appended to titles, as ADJUTANT ~, ATTORNEY ~, POST~master ~) chief, head, with unrestricted authority or sphere, (also joc. with other nn., as *lover* ~, one who makes love to all women); in ~, generally, in all ordinary cases, barring special exceptions, for the most part. 2. n. *The* ~ (arch.), the public; (pl.; now rare) ~ principles, notions, or rules; chief of religious order, e.g. of Jesuits, Dominicans; (Mil.) officer next below Field Marshal (also by courtesy of *lieutenant* ~ & *major* ~); commander of army; tactician, strategist, of specified merit (*a good, bad, great, ~*; *no ~*); || ~ servant above (colloq.). [OF, f. L. *generalis* (GENUS, -AL)]

généraliss'imô, n. (pl. ~s). Commander of combined military & naval & air force, or of several armies. [It., superl. of *générale* GENERAL]

général'ity, n. Being general, applicability to whole class of instances; vagueness; general point, principle, law, or statement; main body, bulk, majority, of. [f. F. *généralité* f. L. *generalitatem* (GENERAL, -ITY)]

généralizá'tion, n. (Forming of) general notion or proposition obtained by induction (often used disparagingly, esp. *hasty* ~, one based on too few instances). [foll., -ATION]

gén'eraliz'e, v.t. & i. Reduce to general laws, form into a general notion, give a general character to, call by a general name; infer (law, conclusion) by induction; base general statement upon (facts etc.); (Math., Philos.) throw into general form, extend application of; form general notions by abstraction; (Phil.) render only the typical

characteristics of; make vague, use generalities, speak vaguely; bring into general use. Hence ~**ER**¹ n. [-IZH]

gên'eral'y, adv. For the most part, extensively; in a general sense, without regard to particulars, not specially, (~ *speaking*, in general); as a general rule, commonly. [-LY²]

gên'eralship, n. Office of a general; strategy, military skill; skilful management, tact, diplomacy. [-SHIP]

gên'erâte, v.t. Bring into existence, produce, evolve, (plants, animals, etc., usu. in pass.; heat, force, light, friction, electricity, etc.; result, state of things, state of mind, etc.); (Math.); of point, line, surface, conceived as moving) make (line, surface, solid). [f. L *generare* beget (GENUS), -ATE³]

gên'eration, n. Procreation, propagation of species, begetting or being begotten, (*equivocal* or SPONTANEOUS ~); production by natural or artificial process; single step in descent or pedigree (*have known them for three ~s*; *his descendant in the tenth ~*); whole body of persons born about same time, average time in which children are ready to replace parents (reckoned at $\frac{1}{4}$ of a century or at 30 years as a time-measure). [f. L *generatio* (prec., -ATION)]

gên'erative (-ât-, -at-), a. Of procreation; able to produce, productive. [prec., -ATIVE]

gên'erâtor, n. Begetter; apparatus for producing gases, steam, electricity, etc. [L (GENERATE, -OR²)]

gên'êr'ic, a. Characteristic of a genus or class; applied to (any individual of) a large group or class; general, not specific or special. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. L GENUS + -IC]

gên'erous, a. Magnanimous, noble-minded, not mean or prejudiced, free in giving, munificent, so **gên'eros'ity** n.; (of soil) fertile; ample, abundant, copious; (of diet, colour, wine) rich & full. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *généreux* f. L *generosus* (GENUS, -OUS) well-born, generous]

gên'êsis, n. First book of O.T., with account of the Creation (G~); origin, mode of formation or generation, (also in comb. as *abio~. partheno~*). [L f. Gk *gen-* become]

gên'êt, n. (Fur of) kind of civet-cat. [f. OF *genete* f. Arab. *jarnait*]

gên'êt'ic, a. Of, in, concerning, origin; ~ics. Hence ~ICALLY adv., ~ICS n. pl., the study of heredity & variation, including loosely the physiology of reproduction & the art of breeding. [f. GENESIS on anal. of *antithesis* -etic]

gên'êv'a¹, n. Spirit distilled from grain & flavoured with juniper berries, Hollands. [f. Du. *genever* f. OF *genivre* f. L *juniperus* ~² ~³, assim. to follow.]

gên'êv'a, a. (attrib.), & n. Of from,

Geneva (~ *banda*, clerical BAND's like those of Swiss Calvinists; ~ *Conventions*, of 1864-5 neutralizing ambulances etc. in war; ~ *cross*, red Greek cross on white ground distinguishing ambulances etc. in war; ~ *gown*, black, worn by Calvinists & low-churchmen in pulpit); (as n., used for the ~ Conventions, the League of Nations or its proceedings. Hence **Gên'êv'AN**, **Gên'êv'ES'**, aa. & nn.

gên'ial¹, a. Nuptial, generative, (~ *bed*, *instinct*; rare); conducive to growth, mild, warm, (of air, climate, etc.); cheering, enlivening; jovial, kindly, sociable, whence **gên'ial'ity** n., ~IZE(3) v.t.; of genius (rare). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *genialis* (GENIUS, -AL)]

gên'ial², a. (anat.). Of the chin. [f. Gk *gencion* chin (*genus* jaw cf. L *gena*) + -AL]

gên'ic'ulate, -âtéd, aa. (nat. hist.). Having knee-like joints. [f. L *geniculatus* (*geniculum* f. *genu* knee, -CULE, -ATE²)]

gên'ie, n. (pl. usu. *gênii*, see GENIUS). Jinnee, sprite or goblin of Arabian tales. [f. F *génie* f. L GENIUS]

gên'i'o-, comb. form of Gk *gencion* chin, as ~*hy'oid* of chin & hyoid bone.

gên'is'ta, n. Genus of yellow-flowered shrubs (including in some classifications the common broom). [L]

gên'ital, a., & n. (pl.). 1. Of animal generation. 2. n. pl. External organs of generation. [f. L *genitalis* (*gignere* *gênit*-beget, -AL)]

gên'itive, a. & n. ~ *case* or ~, grammatical form of nouns, pronouns, adjectives, & participles, corresponding in inflected languages to *of*, *from*, & other prepositions with the noun representing the source, possessor, etc. (~ ABSOLUTE, Gk construction corresponding to Latin ablative absolute). Hence **gên'itiv'al** a. [f. L *genitivus* (*casus* case) of generation, mis-transl. of Gk *genikê* (*ptôsis* case) of class; *genitivus* as prec. + -IVE]

gên'ito-, comb. form of GENITAL, as ~*urinary* of the genital & urinary organs.

gên'ius, n. (pl. ~iuses, -i). Tutelary spirit of person, place, or institution (*good*, *evil*, ~, two opposed spirits or angels working for person's salvation or damnation, also person who powerfully influences one for good or ill); (usu. pl., *gênii*, w. sing. GENIUM) demon(s), supernatural being(s); nation's, age's, etc., prevalent feeling, opinions, or taste; character, spirit, drift, method, of a language, law, etc.; associations or inspirations of a place; natural ability, special mental endowments; (no pl.) exalted intellectual power, instinctive & extraordinary imaginative, creative, or inventive capacity, (pl. ~iuses) person having this; ~*loci* (L; *lôa*'i), presiding deity, associations, etc., of the place. [L, in first sense, f. root of *gignere* beget]

Gén'ōa, n. Italian city (~ *cake*, rich with almonds on top). Hence **GÉN'ōan'** (-&n) a. & n.

genre (see Ap.), n. Kind, style; (also ~ *painting*) portrayal of scenes etc. from ordinary life. [F]

Gén'rō, n. pl. = Elder Statesmen (see STATESMAN). [Jap., = old men]

gēns (-z), n. (Rom. Ant.; pl. *gentēs*). Clan, sept, among Greeks or Romans. [L, genit. *gentis* (*gignere* beget)]

gēnt, n. Gentleman (vulg.); person pretending to status of gentleman (joc.). [short for GENTLEMAN]

gēnteel', a. (usu. iron.; vulg. in serious use). Appropriate to, characteristic of, belonging to, the upper classes, stylish, fashionable, well-dressed, elegant. Hence ~LY¹ (-l-l) adv. [16th-c. adoption of *gentil* (cf. 13th-c. GENTLE) see GENTILE]

gēn'tian (-shn, -tīan), n. Kinds of usu. blue-flowered plant found esp. in mountain regions; ~ *bitter*, tonic extracted from its root. [f. L *gentiana* (*Gentius* king of Illyria, -AN)]

gēn'tile, a. & n. (Person) not of Jewish race, (in Mormon use) non-Mormon, whence ~DOM (-ld-) n.; of a nation or tribe, (a. & n. in Gram.) (word) indicating nationality; heathen, pagan. [f. F *gentil* f. L *gentilis* (GENS, -IL)]

gēntil'i'al (-shl), n. Of a nation, gens, or family (~ *noun, name, insignia*). [f. L *gentilitius* (*gentilis* GENTILE) + -AL]

gēntil'ity, n. Gentle birth, status of gentleman or lady, (now rare); (usu. iron.) being genteel, social superiority, good manners, upper-class habits, (*shabby* ~, endeavour to keep up genteel appearances). [f. OF *gentilité* f. L *gentilitatem* (GENTILE, -TY)]

gēn'tle, a. (-er, -est), n., & v.t. 1. Well-born, (Her.) having right to bear arms, (now only in ~ & *simple*, & in comb. as ~ *folks*, GENTLEMAN); (of birth, blood, family, pursuits, etc.) honourable, belonging to or fit for the class of gentlemen; || (arch.) generous, noble, courteous (still playfully in ~ *reader*, author's apostrophe); tame, quiet, (*the* ~ *craft*, angling), easily managed; not stormy, rough, or violent; (of medicine) mild, not drastic; (of rule etc.) not severe; moderate (*a* ~ *heat*), gradual (*a* ~ *slope*); kind, mild, tender, (*the* ~ *sex*, women); ~ *folk(s)*, people of good position & family. 2. n. Maggot, larva of flesh-fly or blue-bottle, used as fishing-bait (f. obs. sense *soft* of adj.); (pl., vulg.) ~ *folk*. 3. v.t. Break in (horse), handle (horse) firmly but gently. [f. OF *gentil* see GENTILE]

gēn'tlehood (-tēh-), n. Position or character attaching to gentle birth. [from 1800; -HOOD]

gēn'tleman (-tēlm-), n. Man entitled to bear arms but not included in the nobility (chiefly hist.); member of certain pro-

fessions etc. (arch.); || man of gentle birth attached to household of sovereign or great person (~ in *waiting* etc.); ~ *at arms*, one of sovereign's bodyguard; man of chivalrous instincts, fine feelings, & good breeding (*the* ~'s *psalm*, Ps. xv); man of good social position, man of wealth & leisure (~ *at large*); (courteous synonym for) man, (pl., in voc.) male members of audience, also in letters = Sirs; || (pl. as sing. n.) men's public urinal; (Law) man who has no occupation; (joc.) *old* ~, the devil, *my* ~, the fellow I was speaking of, ~'s ~, valet; || ~ *commoner* (Hist.), privileged undergraduate at Ox. & Camb.; ~ *farmer*, country ~ who farms; || ~ *BANKER*; ~ *usher*, ~ acting as usher to great person; ~'s *agreement* (binding in honour, but not enforceable at law). Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP(1), nn. [GENTLE + MAN after OF *gentilis* hom]

gēn'tlemanlike (-tēlm-), a. Appropriate to, resembling, a gentleman. [-LIKE]

gēn'tlemanl'y (-tēlm-), a. Feeling, behaving, or looking, like a gentleman; befitting a gentleman. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

gēn'tleness (-tēl-), n. Kindliness, mildness; freedom from severity, suddenness, violence, steepness, etc. [-NESS]

gēn'tlewoman (-tēlwōmān), n. (pl. -en). Woman of good birth or breeding, lady. Hence ~HOOD n., ~LIKE, ~LY¹, aa., ~LINESS n. [GENTLE + WOMAN after OF *gentilis* femme]

gēn'tl'y, adv. As gentleman or gentlewoman (only in ~ *born*, of gentle birth); quietly, moderately, softly, slowly, (as remonstrance) not so fast etc.; mildly, tenderly, kindly. [-LY¹]

gēn'try, n. People next below the nobility in position & birth; (derog., esp. *these* ~) people. [prob. f. obs. *gentrice* f. OF *genterise* var. of *gentelise* (*gentil* GENTILE)]

gēn'ūal, a. Of the knee. [L *genu* knee, -AL]

gēn'ūflect, v.i. Bend the knee, esp. in worship. Hence or cogn. ~OR², **gēnū-flēx'ion**, nn., ~ORY a. [f. mod. L *genu-flectere* flex- (prec., *flectere* bend)]

gēn'ūine, a. Of the original stock, pure-bred; really proceeding from its reputed source or author; having the supposed character, not counterfeit, properly so called. Hence ~LY¹ (-nl-) adv., ~NESS (-n-) n. [f. L *genuinus* (cf. *ingenuus* INGENUOUS) f. Aryan gen- beget]

gēn'us, n. (pl. *gén'era*). (Logic) kind of things including subordinate kinds or SPECIES (*highest* ~, not itself subordinated as species to higher ~; *subaltern* ~, so subordinated); (Zool., Bot.) group of animals or plants having common structural characteristics distinct from those of all other groups, & usu. containing several species (see CLASS; the generic

& specific names, the former with capital initial, form the proper name; *the* ~ Homo, mankind; (loosely) kind, class, order, tribe. [L, genit. -eris race f. Aryan as prec.]

-**gēny**, suf. forming nn. indicating mode of production f. F -*génie* (-GEN), as *anthropo'geny* history of human evolution, often with corresp. nn. in -*genesis* & adj. in -*genetic*.

gēo-, comb. form of Gk *gē* earth (Gk *gēō-*), as ~*dynam'ic* of the latent forces of the earth, ~*selēn'ic* of earth & moon.

gēocēn'tric, a. Considered as viewed from the earth's centre (~ *latitude of planet*, in which it would appear to observer at earth's centre); having or representing the earth as centre, not *heliocentric*. [prec., *centric* (CENTRE¹, -IC)]

gē'ōde, n. (Concretionary stone containing) cavity lined with crystals or other mineral matter. Hence **gēōd'ic** a. [f. F *gode* f. L f. Gk *gēōdēs* eartheny (*gē* earth, -ODE)]

gēōd'ēs'y, n. Branch of mathematics dealing with figure & area of the earth or large portions of it. So **gēōdēs'ic**, **gēōdēt'ic**, aa. (~*etic*, ~*etic*, *line*, shortest possible on surface between two points), **gēōdēt'ical** a., **gēōdēt'ically** adv., ~*esis*(3) n. [f. F *gēodésie* f. mod. L f. Gk *gēo(daisia* f. *daō* divide)]

gēōg'nos'y, n. = GEOLOGY; geology of a district; knowledge of the mineral character, grouping, & distribution, of particular rocks. So **gēōgnōs'tic**(AL) aa. [f. F *géognosie* (GEO-, Gk *gnōsis* knowledge, *gnōstos* known)]

gēōgrā'ph'ic, -ic[al], aa. Of geography (~ *latitude*, angle made with plane of equator by perpendicular to earth's surface at any point; ~*al mile*, = 1' of longitude on equator or about 2000 yds). Hence ~*ally* adv. [f. Gk *gēo*(*graphikos* GRAPHIC) + -AL]

gēōg'raph'y, n. Science of the earth's surface, form, physical features, natural & political divisions, climate, productions, population, etc. (*mathematical, physical, & political*, ~, the science in these aspects); subject-matter of ~; features, arrangement, of places; treatise or manual of ~. So **gēōg'raph'ic** n. [f. F *géographie* f. L f. Gk *gēo*(*graphia* -GRAPHY)]

gēōl'ogize, v.i. & t. Devote time to examining places geologically, collecting specimens, etc.; examine (place) thus. [foll. + -IZE]

gēōl'ogy, n. Science of the earth's crust, its strata, & their relations & changes; geological features of district. Hence **gēōl'ic**(AL) aa. (-ic now only of things forming part of subject-matter of ~), **gēōl'ically** adv., **gēōl'og'ic** n. [f. mod. L f. Gk *gēo*(*logia* -LOGY)]

gē'omānc'y, n. Divination from figure given by handful of earth thrown down,

& hence from figures given by dots made at random. Hence or cogn. ~*er*¹ n., **gēōmān'tic** a. [f. F *géomancie* f. L f. Gk *gēo*(*mantia* -MANCY)]

gēōm'eter, n. Person skilled in geometry; kinds of caterpillar & moth (from caterpillar's seeming to measure ground by its mode of wa [f. L f. Gk *gēo*(*metres* measurer)]

gēōmēt'ric, -ic[al], aa. Of, according to, geometry (~*al tracery*, with openings of ~ form, as circles, trefoils, etc.; ~*al* *tion*, involving equal ratios in its two parts, as 1 : 3 :: 4 : 12; ~*al progression*, with constant ratio between successive quantities, as 1 : 3 : 9 : 27 : 81; ~*spider*, constructing web of ~ pattern). Hence ~*ally* adv. [f. L f. Gk *gēōmetrikos* (prec., -IC) + -AL]

gēōm'étrize, v.i. & t. Work, form, by geometrical methods. [foll. + -IZE]

gēōm'etry, n. Science of properties & relations of magnitudes (as lines, surfaces, solids) in space. So **gēōmēt'rician** (-ish) n. [f. F *géométrie* f. L f. Gk *gēo*(*metria* measuring)]

gēōph'ag'y, n. = DIET-eating. So ~*ist*(1) n. [GEO-, Gk *phagia* -eating]

gēōp'ol'itics, n. The politics of a country as determined by its geographical features. [GEO-]

gēōp'ōn'ic, a. (pedantic or joc.). Agricultural. [f. Gk *gēo*(*ponikos* f. *ponos* toil + -IC)]

|| **Geor'die** (jōr-), n. (Sc. & north.). = OOL-LIER (all senses). [*George*, -Y¹]

George (jōr-), n. 1. *St* ~, patron saint of England from time of Edw. III who chose him as patron of Order of the Garter (*St* ~'s day, 23rd April; *St* ~'s cross, vertical & horizontal red bars crossing in centre). 2. Jewel forming part of Garter insignia. 3. || Automatic pilot of aircraft (sl.). 4. *Brown* ~, vessel of brown earthenware; *by* ~, oath or exclamation; || ~ *Cross*, *Medal*, (abbr. *G.C.*, *G.M.*), decorations for gallantry instituted 1940. [f. L f. Gk *Georgios* supposed prince of Cappadocia martyred under Diocletian]

georg'ette (jōr-), n. A thin silk dress-material. [f. dressmaker's name]

Geor'gian (jōr-), a. Of the time of the first four Kings George of England; of the time of George V and VI. [-IAN]

Geor'gian (jōr-), a. & n. (Inhabitant, language) of Georgia in the Caucasus; (inhabitant) of Georgia in U.S. [-AN]

Geor'gic (jōr-), n. One book (*first, fourth*, ~) of *the* ~s, Virgil's poem on husbandry. [f. L f. Gk *georgika* pl. neut. adj. (*geōrgos* husbandman f. *gēo*-, *erg*- work, -IC)]

gēōstrōph'ic, a. (meteorol.). Depending on the rotation of the earth. [GEO- + Gk *strophikos* f. *strophō* turn]

gēōt'rōpism, n. Plant-growth in relation to gravity (*positive* ~, tendency of roots

to grow towards, *negative* ~, of stems to grow away from, centre of earth). So *gēōtrōp'ic* a., *gēōtrōp'ically* adv. [GEO-, Gk *trōpikos* (*trōpē* a turning f. *trēpō* turn + -IC, -ISM)]

gerān'ium, n. Kinds of wild herbaceous plant bearing fruit like crane's bill, Crane's-bill; kinds of cultivated pelargonium; colour of the scarlet ~. [L, f. Gk *geranion* (*geranos* crane)]

ger'falcon (-awkn, -awl-), n. Any large northern falcon, esp. the Icelandic. [f. OF *gerfaucon* prob. f. OHG *gīr* vulture cf. G *geier*, FALCON]

germ, n., & v.i. 1. Portion of organism capable of developing into a new one (~, usu. of female reproductive element, opp. *sperm*-), rudiment of animal or plant; micro-organism or microbe, esp. one of those supposed to cause disease (~CARRIER); (fig.) that from which something may spring, elementary principle (*in* ~, not yet developed). 2. v.i. Germinate, sprout, (fig. only). [f. F *germe* f. L *germen* etym. dub.]

germ'an¹, a. (Now only as appended to BROTHER, SISTER, COUSIN) in the fullest sense of relationship; = GERMANE. [f. OF *germain* f. L *germanus* of same parents cogn. w. *prec.*]

Ger'm'an², a. & n. 1. Of, characterizing, Germany or its inhabitants or language (~ *measles*, contagious disease like mild measles; ~ *Ocean*, North Sea; ~ *sausage*, large kind stuffed with spiced partly cooked meat; ~ *test*, black letter; ~ *silver*, white alloy of nickel, zinc, & copper). 2. n. Native, language, of Germany (*High* ~, form of ~ orig. spoken in South, but now in literary use throughout Germany; *Low* ~, dialects of Germany that are not High ~, also, all forms of WG, including English & Dutch, except High ~). Hence ~ISM¹ a., ~ISM(2, 3, 4), ~IST(1, 3), nn., ~IZE(2, 3, 4) v.t. & i., ~ISA'TION, ~ISER¹, nn., **Ger'mān'o-omb.** form., **Ger'mānoxan'ia** n., **Ger'mān'ophil**, **Ger'mān'oproph**, aa. & nn., ~**oph'ilist**, **Ger'mānophob'ia**, nn. [f. L *Germanus* a. & n. of related peoples of central & N. Europe, name perh. given by Celts to their neighbours (cf. OIr. *gair* neighbour)]

germān'der, n. Kinds of plant esp. the blue-flowered ~ *speedwell*. [f. med. L *germandra* f. late Gk *khammandra* (*khamaidrus* f. *khamai* on the ground, *drus* oak)]

germāne', a. Relevant, pertinent, to the matter or subject. [var. of GERMAN¹]

Ger'mān'ic, a. & n. Of the Germans (chiefly hist. in ~ *Confederation*, ~ *Empire*); of the Teutonic race or any Teutonic people (of language, = primitive Teutonic; also with limiting word: *East* ~, Gothic & some almost lost languages as Burgundian & Vandal; *North* ~,

Scandinavian; *West* ~, High & Low German, English, Frisian, Dutch, etc.; see also INDO ~). [f. L *Germanicus* (GERMAN², -IC)]

Ger'mān'ity, n. Characteristic German qualities. [-ITY]

germ'en, n. (bot.). Rudiment of seed-vessel, ovary. [L, gent. -inis, = GERM]

germ'icide, n. & a. (Substance) having power to destroy (esp. disease-germs. Hence **germ'icid'AL** a. [-I-, -ICIDE])

germ'in'al, a. Of germs, of the nature of a germ; in the earliest stage of development. Hence ~LY² adv. [GERMEN, -AL]

germ'in'āte, v.i. & t. Sprout, bud, put forth shoots, (lit. & fig.); cause to shoot, develop (trans.), produce. Hence or cogn. ~ANT a. (intr. usu. fig.), ~A'TION, ~ATOR²(2), nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *germinare* (GERMEN), -ATE²]

germ'on, n. Long-finned tunny. [F]

gerōntōc'racy (g-, j-), n. Government by, governing body of, old men. [f. Gk *gerōn* -ontos old man, -CRACY]

-gerous, suf. (in use -igerous, see -I-) f. L -ger bearing (*gerere* bear) + -OUS; in some words taken f. L, & freely added to L stems, as in *frondigerous* leaf-bearing.

gerrymān'der (g-, (erron.) || jerry-, v.t. & n. 1. Manipulate (constituency etc.) unfairly so as to secure disproportionate influence at election for some party or class; hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Such manipulation. [vb f. n., orig. U.S.; anecdotic; substitution of name of governor Gerry of Massachusetts for *sala*- in *salamander*]

gē'rund, n. Forms of Latin verb -ndum, -ndi, -ndo serving as cases of the infinitive in its noun use, constructed as nouns but able to govern like their verb; English verbal noun in -ING¹ when used distinctly as part of verb (*his doing this is doubtful*); ~grinder, teacher of Latin. So **gerūn'dial** a. [f. L *gerundium* prob. f. *gerundum* neut. gerundive & gerund of *gerere* do=thing to be done, doing]

gerūn'dive, a. & n. Of, like, the gerund; (n.; in L Gram.) verbal adjective from gerund stem having sense that *should be done* etc. Hence **gerūndiv'AL** a., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *gerundivus* (prec., -IVS)]

gēss'ō, n. Plaster of Paris, gypsum, prepared for use, in painting & in sculpture. [It., f. L *gypsum*]

gestalt' (geshtalt'), n. (psych.). An organized whole in which each individual part affects every other, the whole being more than a sum of its parts; chiefly attrib., as ~ *psychology*, *theory*. [G, = form, shape]

Gesta'pō (gestah-), n. German secret state police of Nazi régime. [f. initial letters of *Geheime Staats-Polizei*]

gēstā'tion, n. Carrying or being carried in the womb between conception & birth, this period. [f. L *gestatio* (*gestare* frequent. of *gerere* carry, -ATION)]

gestatōr'ial, a. ~ *chair*, for carrying the Pope on certain occasions. [f. L *gestatorius* (*gestator* carrier as prec. + -OR², -ORY)]

gestic'ulāte, v.i. & t. Use expressive motion of limbs or body with or instead of speech; express thus. So ~A'TION, ~ātor², nn., ~ATIVE, ~ātory, aa. [f. L *gesticulāri* (*gesticulus* dim. of *gestus* GESTURE), -ATE²]

ges'ture, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Significant movement of limb or body; use of such movements as expression of feeling or rhetorical device; (transf.) step or move calculated to evoke response from another or to convey (esp. friendly) intention. 2. vb. = GESTICULATE. [f. med. L *gestura* (L *gerere* gest-wield, -URE)]

get¹ (g-), v.t. & i. (past got; p.p. got, & in comb. & arch. & U.S. got'ten). 1. trans. Obtain, procure, by effort or contrivance (~ *coal*, extract it from mine), earn (*can-not ~ a living*), gain (*got little by it*), win (~ *the upper hand*, start, advantage, sun, wind, better, of a person; ~ *the best of it*, be victorious; ~ *fame*, credit, glory, etc.; ~ *knowledge* or *wind* of, learn, hear rumours of); learn by heart or rote; obtain as result of calculation (*we ~ 9-5 as the average*); receive as gift, wages, etc.; extract by prayer, demand, inquiry, etc. (*from*, out of; *could not ~ leave*, any supper); come to have (desired thing, as *rest*, one's way, speech of someone, a sight of, possession of; ~ *religion*, be converted); contract (idea etc.); also ~ *it* into one's head, be convinced that; ~ *measles*; ~ person or thing on the brain, think of him exclusively, on one's nerves, be irritably affected by him); (of story etc.) ~ *wind*, become known; have inflicted on one, suffer, receive as one's lot or penalty, (fall, blow, the worst of it, six months; ~ *it*, be punished, scolded, etc.; ~ *the boot¹*, sack¹, mitten); (with for or ind. obj.) procure, provide, (got him a place; *we can ~ it for you*); catch (fish etc.); bring in, carry home, (crop); (colloq.) corner, puzzle, catch in argument, (esp. in perf. & past); (colloq.) understand (person or thing); (colloq.) take, eat, (dinner etc.); (colloq., in perf.) have (*have not got a penny*; *it has got to be done*, must); (now usu. only of animals) beget; (with compl.) succeed in bringing, placing, etc. (*got it over* or *across* see below, *through door, into room*, etc.), bring into some state (~ *with child*, make pregnant; ~ *them ready*; ~ person upon a subject, make him talk of it; ~ *ship under way*, start her; esp. with p.p. as ~ *it done*, *got the laws obeyed*); suffer injury etc. to some part of one (*got my wrist dislocated*; *shall ~ my feet wet*); induce, prevail upon, (person) to do. 2. intr. Succeed in coming or going to; from, into, out of, through, over, here, there, as far as, etc. (where has it got to?, what has become of it?; ~ *across* or *over* (so.

the footlights), al., reach audience, be effective; ~ *there*, al., succeed); (sl.) be off, clear out; (with infin.) acquire habit (one soon ~s to like it); come to be doing (*they got talking*); become (~ *tired*, hot, excited, drunk; ~ *well*, better, recover from illness; ~ *clear*, rid, or quit, of; ~ *wise* to, become aware of; ~ *under way*, begin to sail; ~ *done with*, bring to an end; ~ *married*, used to it, shelved). 3. (With prepp.): ~ *at*, reach (whence ~āt-ABLE a.), ~ hold of, ascertain, (sl.) tamper with, bribe, etc., (sl.) attack, banter, (who are you ~ing at?, often = trying to impose upon = expressing incredulity); ~ *into*, (colloq.) put on (boots, clothes), (of liquor) affect, confuse, (one's head); ~ *off*, dismount from, obtain release from (engagement etc.), not remain on (the grass etc.); ~ *on*, mount (horse etc.), rise on one's feet or legs to speak in public; ~ *over*, surmount (difficulty), show (evidence, argument) to be unconvincing, recover from (illness) or from surprise at, accomplish (distance, task, etc.), (sl.) circumvent; ~ *round*, cajole, evade; ~ *through*, bring to an end, (of Bill etc.) be passed by (Lords, Commons, etc.), while away (time etc.); ~ *to*, begin (business etc.); ~ *upon*, = on. 4. (With adv.): ~ *about*, go from place to place, begin walking after illness etc., (of rumours) be circulated; ~ *abroad*, (of rumours) = ~ about; ~ *along*, advance, meet with success, fare ill or well etc., manage without something, live harmoniously together or with, (colloq.) ~ *along with you*!, be off!, nonsense; ~ *away*, escape, start, (Imperat.) be off!; ~ *away with it*, succeed in what one tries to do, escape retribution, act with impunity; ~ *back*, come home etc., recover (lost thing; ~ *back* one's or some of one's own, sl., have revenge); ~ *down*, dismount; ~ *in*, be elected as M.P., enter carriage, bring home (crop), collect (debts etc.), fit (work etc.) into given time, succeed in placing (blow), ~ one's hand in, become at home with some operation, can't ~ in a word EDGWAYS; ~ *off*, escape (t. & i.), start, go to sleep, be acquitted or pardoned, be let off with or for specified penalty, procure acquittal or slight penalty for (person); ~ *off with*, become on friendly or amorous terms with member of opposite sex; ~ *on*, don, display (pace); ~ *a move on*, sl., make a start), advance, make progress (~ *on* or ~ *out*, work or go), prosper, fare, manage without something, agree or live sociably with, be ~ing on for, approaching (an age etc.); ~ *on to*, succeed in understanding; ~ *out*, (Imperat.) be off!, nonsense!, transpire, elicit, succeed in uttering, publishing, etc.; ~ *out of*, issue or escape from (got out of bed on wrong side, is in bad temper; ~ *out of sight*, one's depth, disappear, be in too deep

water to stand; ~ *out of hand*, break from control, also finish work etc.), abandon (habit) gradually, evade doing, elicit (information) or obtain (money) from (person); ~ *over*, bring (troublesome task) to an end; ~ *through*, bring to or reach destination, (of Bill) be passed in Parliament, succeed in an examination; ~ *through with*, succeed in doing or enduring; ~ *together*, collect (t. & i.); ~ *under*, subdue (fire); ~ *up*, rise esp. from bed, mount esp. on horseback, (of fire, wind, sea) begin to be violent, (of game) rise from cover, (of cricket-ball) rise sharply from pitch, organize, set on foot, (of laundress) dress (linen), make presentable, arrange the appearance of, (hair, the person, mounting of play, binding & print of book), make rise (*I got my, his, back up*, became, made him, angry or stubborn), produce (~ *up steam*, enough to work engine, also fig. of working oneself into anger or energy; || ~ *the wind up*, sl. feel afraid), work up (factitious emotion; subject for examination etc.).

~ *GETTABLE* a. [f. ON *geta* = OE *-gietan* cf. G (ver)gesen, f. Aryan *ghed-seize*, whence L *præda* = *præ-heda* & Gk *khandanō* hold (root *khad*)]

gēt¹, n. Begetting, offspring, (of animals, esp. in sporting talk). [f. prec.]

gēt away (-a-w-), n. (Esp. of thieves etc.) escape, as *make one's ~*. [GET¹]

gēt-ūp, n. Style of equipment or costume, style of production of book etc. [GET¹]

gē'um, n. Kinds of rosaceous plant, *Avena*, as *HERB-bennet*. [L, prob. = herb-bennet]

gew'gaw (g-), n. Gaudy plaything or ornament, bauble; paltry showy trifle. [from 13th c.; ME *giuegoue* etym. dub.]

gey (gā), adv. (Sc.). Very, considerably, (also adj. ~ & -, in same sense). [var. of GAY]

gey'ser (gāz-, gīz-), n. Intermittent hot spring throwing up column of water; || apparatus for heating water. [f. Icel. *Geysir* name of a particular specimen in Iceland (*geysa* to gush)]

gharry (gā'ri), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Indian carriage (usu. horse-drawn and plying for hire). [Hind. *gā'ri*]

ghast'ly (gah-, gā-), a. & adv. Horrible, frightful, shocking; (colloq.) objectionable; deathlike, pale, wan, lurid; (of smile etc.) painfully forced; (adv., chiefly with adj. as ~ *pale*) ghastlily. Hence ~ *ly*² adv., ~ *iness* n. [f. obs. *gast*, OE *gæstan* terrify cogn. w. GHOST]

gha'ut (gawt), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Eastern, Western, G-*s*, two mountain chains along E. & W. sides of Southern Hindostan; mountain pass, defile; flight of steps leading to river landing-place; burning ~, level spot at the top of river ~ on which Hindus burn their dead. [Hind. *ghat*]

Gha'zi (gah-), n. Mohammedan anti-infidel fanatic. [Arab. p.p. of *ghaza* fight] **ghee** (gē), n. Indian buffalo-milk butter clarified to resemble oil. [f. Hind. *ghī*]

gherk'in (gēr-), n. Young green, or small kind of, cucumber used for pickling. [f. Du. **gurskijn* (now *purkje*) f. Slavonic, cf. late Gk *agourion* etym. dub.]

ghett'o (gē-), n. (hist.; pl. ~s). Jews' quarter in city. [It., perh. abbr. of *borghetto* (*borgo* BOROUGH)]

Ghib'ellin'e (gi-), n. & a. 1. One of emperor's faction (opp. GUELPH in medieval Italian States; hence ~ *ism*(3) n. 2. adj. Adhering to ~s. [f. It. *Ghibellino* perh. f. G *Waiblingen* estate belonging to Hohenstaufen emperors]

ghōst (gō-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Principle of life (now only in *give up the ~*, die); Spirit of God (now only in *Holy G-*, Third Person of Trinity). 2. Soul of dead person in Hades etc.; dead person appearing to the living (*raise, lay, ~*, cause it to appear or cease appearing), apparition, spectre; emaciated person; shadowy outline or semblance (*not the ~ of a chance*, none at all). 3. (Opt.) bright spot or secondary image in field of telescope due to defect of lens. 4. Artistic or literary hack doing the work for which his employer takes credit. 5. ~ *word*, one of which the existence is imaginary or based on a delusion, as *CELT*², *FYLFOT*; *the ~ walks* (Theatr. sl.), salaries are, or will be, paid; hence ~ *hood* n., ~ *like* a. 6. vb. (rare). Haunt, prowl, act, as a ~. [com.-WG; OE *gast* cf. G *geist*; prob. cogn. w. ON *geisa* rage & Goth. *usgaisjan* terrify]

ghōst'ly (gō-), a. (Arch.) spiritual, incorporeal, concerned with sacred or ecclesiastical matters, (*our ~y enemy*, the Devil; ~y *father, adviser, director*, etc., confessor; ~y *comfort, counsel*, etc., administered by priest; ~y *weapons*, religious arguments, ecclesiastical penalties, etc.); (as) of a ghost, spectral. Hence ~ *iness* n. [OE *gāstlic* (prec., -ly²)]

ghoul (gōl), n. Spirit preying on corpses in Eastern talcs. Hence ~ *ish*¹ a., ~ *'ishly*² adv., (gō-). [f. Arab. *ghul* f. vb = seize]

|| **ghyll**, var. of GILL².

gial'lo anti'cō (jahl-, abntē-), n. Rich yellow marble found in Italian ruins. [It.]

gi'ant, n. & a. 1. Being of human form but superhuman stature, (Gk Myth.) one of the sons of Gaea (Earth) & Uranus (Heaven) or Tartarus (Hell) who warred against the Gods; agency of enormous power; abnormally tall person, animal, or plant; person of extraordinary ability, courage, strength, etc. (*there were ~s in those days*, our fathers were superior to us); ~ *cement*, specially tenacious kind; ~ *powder*, kind of dynamite; || ~ *(g)-stride*, gymnastic apparatus of pole with revolving head & hanging ropes enabling

user to take huge strides round pole; hence ~^{ess} n., ~^{ism} n., pathological condition characterized by abnormal growth, esp. of the bones, ~^{like} a. 2. adj. Of extraordinary size or force, gigantic, monstrous, (often in plant-names). [ME *geant* (afterwards affected by l) f. OF *géant* f. L f. Gk *gigant-* nom. -*gas* etym. dub.]

glaour (jowr), n. (Turkish contemptuous name for) infidel, esp. Christian. [f. Pers. *gaur*]

gib (g-, j-), n. Piece of wood or metal used to keep some part of a machine etc. in place; pin or wedge. [etym. dub.]

gibb'er (j-, g-), v.i., & n. 1. Speak fast & inarticulately, chatter like an ape. 2. n. Such speed or sound. [imit.]

gibb'erish (g-), n. Unintelligible speech, meaningless sounds, jargon, blundering or ungrammatical talk. [perh. f. prec. (but found earlier) + -*ish* as used in names of langgs.]

gibb'et, n., & v.t. 1. (Orig.) gallows; (later) upright post with arm on which bodies of executed criminals were hung up; death by hanging. 2. v.t. Put to death by hanging; expose on ~; hang up as on ~; hold up to infamy or contempt. [f. OF *gibet* gallows dim. of *gibe* club]

gibb'on (g-), n. Kinds of long-armed ape esp. of Indian archipelago. [F, etym. dub.]

gibb'ous (g-), a. Convex, protuberant; (of moon or planet) having bright part greater than semicircle & less than circle; humped, hunchbacked. Hence or cogn. **gibbosity** (-*ös*) n., **gibbōs'o-** comb. form, ~^{ly} adv., (g-). [f. L *gibbus* hump + -*ous*, cf. L *gibbosus*]

gibe, jibe, v.i. & t., & n. Flout, jeer, mock, (as vb. with *at*, or trans., or abs.). Hence **gib'ery** n., **gib'ingly** adv. [perh. f. OF *giber* handle roughly, use horse-play, or cogn. w. ON *geip* idle talk]

gib'lète, n. pl. Parts of goose taken out or cut off before cooking, as liver, gizzard, pinions, feet; *giblet soup*, made with these. [f. OF *giblet* ragout etym. dub.]

gib'us, n. Opera or crush hat. [G~, maker]

gidd'y (g-), a., & v.t. & i. 1. Dizzy, disposed to fall, stagger, or spin round (with sickness, success, etc.); making dizzy (a ~ *prectice*, *maze*, *success*); circling with bewildering speed; mentally intoxicated, incapable of attention, excitable, frivolous (*play the ~ goat*, fool), inconstant, flighty; || ~^{go-round}, **MERRY** go-round; hence **gidd'ly** adv., **gidd'iness** n., (g-). 2. vb. Make or become ~. [OE *giddig* insane perh. cogn. w. GGD of Gk *ektheos*]

gift (g-), n., & v.t. 1. Giving (*would not have it at a ~*, even gratis; *the living is in the ~ of ~*, in life to bestow; *came to me by free ~*); (Law) voluntary

of property without consideration; thing given, present, donation; faculty miraculously bestowed, virtue looked upon as emanation from heaven etc., (~ of TONGUES); natural endowment (~ of the GAB), talent, whence **gift'ed** (g-) a.; ~^{book}, one given or suitable for giving as present; ~ *coupon*, voucher issued with certain commodities, a specified number of which entitles holder to a ~; ~^{house}, one given; hence **gift'ie** [-y¹] (g-) n. (Sp.; the ~ie *give us to see ourselves as others see us*). 2. v.t. Endow with ~s, present with as ~; bestow as ~ (to person; away). [Prob. f. ON *gift*; com.-Teut., cf. OE *gift* payment for bride, Du. & G *gift* gift, f. OTeut. *gifto* (GIVE)]

gig (g-), n. 1. Light two-wheeled one-horsed carriage (~*lamps*, sl., spectacles; ~^{man}, person who keeps ~, member of GIGMANITY). 2. Light narrow clinker-built ship's-boat for oars or sails; rowing-boat chiefly used for racing. [f. obs. *gig* whipping-top, etym. dub.]

gig (g-), n. Kind of fish-spear. [short for *flagig* f. Sp. *flaga* harpoon (corrupted to *flagig* & mistaken for compd)]

gigā'tic, a. Giant-like in size, stature, etc.; abnormally large, huge. Hence or cogn. ~^{esque} (-*esk*) a., ~^{ically} adv. [f. L *gigas* -*antis* GIANT, -*io*]

gig'gle (g-), v.i., & n. 1. Laugh like an affected, ill-bred, or undisciplined girl, titter, have small bursts of half-suppressed laughter. 2. n. Such laugh. [imit.; cf. Du. *giggelen*, G *gichelen*]

gig'lét, -*ot*, (g-), n. Giggling girl. [orig. = lewd woman, from 14th c., etym. dub.; now associated with prec.]

gigmā'n'ity (g-), n. The respectable unimaginative middle classes, Philistines. [*gigman* (GIG) + -*ity* (Carlylesse wds)]

gig-mill (g-), n. Machine for raising nap on cloth; building in which these stand. [f. obs. *gig* whipping-top]

gig'olō, n. (pl. ~s). Professional male dancing-partner. [F, formed as masc. of *gigole* dance-hall woman]

gig'ot, n. Leg of mutton; ~ *sleeve* = LEG-of-mutton sleeve. [F]

gila (hē'la) mōn's'ter, n. Large venomous lizard of Arizona, New Mexico, etc. (*Gila*, river of Southern U.S.)

Gilbert'ian (g-), a. Of the humorously topsy-turvy kind characteristic of Gilbert & Sullivan opera (a ~ *situation*). [W. S. Gilbert, librettist, d. 1911, -*ian*]

gild (g-), v.t. (p.p. usu. ~ed in the fully verbal use & in fig. use as adj., *gilt* as adj. in lit. sense). Cover with thin layer of gold laid on as gold leaf or otherwise (~*pill*, soften down unpleasant necessity), whence **gil'den, **gil'ding** (2, 4), nn.; make (condition etc.) tolerable or reputable by money (or with money etc. as subj.); tinge, adorn, with golden colour or light; give specious brilliance to by**

fair words; || *Gilded Chamber*, House of Lords; ~ed or *gilt spurs*, emblem of knighthood; ~ed *youth*, the young men of fashion & wealth; *gilt-cup*, buttercup. [f. OE (be)gylðan (GOLD)]

gild¹. See GUILD.

gill¹ (g-), n. (usu. pl.), & v.t. 1. Respiratory organ(s) in fishes & other water-breathing animals; wattles or dewlap of fowls; vertical radiating plates on under side of mushrooms etc.; flesh below person's jaws & ears (*rosy about the ~s*, healthy-looking); ~cover, bony case protecting fish's ~s; ~net, for entangling fishes by the ~s; hence (-)~ED¹ (-ld) a. 2. v.t. Gut (fish); cut off ~s of (mushroom); take in ~net. [etym. dub.; cf. Sw. *gill*, also Gk *kheilos* lip]

|| **gill²** (g-), n. Deep usu. wooded ravine; narrow mountain torrent. [f. ON *gill* glen]

gill³, n. Quarter-pint liquid measure (|| in some parts half-pint). [f. OF *gille*, med. L *gillo*]

Gill⁴, n. *Jack & ~*, lad & lass. [abbr. of *Gillian* f. F *Juliane* f. L *Juliana* (*Julius*)]

gillaróo' (g-), n. Irish trout. [f. Ir. *giolla* fellow, *ruadh* red]

gill'ie (g-), n. 1. (Hist.) Highland chief's attendant. 2. Man or boy attending sportsman in Scotland. [f. Gael. *gille* lad, servant]

gill'yflower, n. (now rare). Clove-scented pink; other similarly scented flowers, as wallflower, white stock. [f. OF *girofle* f. LL f. Gk *karuophullon* (*karuon* nut, *phullon* leaf) w. assim. to *flower*]

gilt¹ (g-). See GILD¹ (cloth ~, book-binding of cloth with ~ letters or tooling).

gilt² (g-), n. Gilding (*take the ~ off the gingerbread*, strip thing of adventitious attractions); ~edged paper, *securities*, *stocks*, etc., such investments as trustees prefer or are restricted to. [f. prec.]

gim'bal, n. (pl. exc. in comb. as ~ring etc.). Contrivance (usu. of rings & pivots) for keeping articles (esp. compass & chronometer) horizontal at sea. [f. obs. & OF *gemel* finger-ring etc. f. *gemellus* dim. of *geminus* twin]

gim'crack, n. & a. 1. Trumpery article, knick-knack, useless ornament; hence ~BBY(5) n., ~Y² a. 2. adj. Showy & flimsy, worthless, trumpery. [earlier *gibcracks* perh. connected w. OF *giber* shake & CRACK]

gim'let (g-), n. Kind of boring-tool (usu. semi-cylindrical with wooden crosspiece as handle & worm at pointed end). [f. OF *gimbelet* dim. of the unrecorded Rom. equivalent of obs. *wimble* boring-tool, cf. LG *wemel* boring-tool, Du. *wemelen* move about]

gimp, **g'imp**, (g-), n. Silk, worsted, or cotton twist with cord or wire running through it; fishing-line of silk etc. bound

with wire; (Lacemaking) coarser thread outlining design. [etym. dub.; cf. Du. *gimp*, F *gimpure*]

gin¹, n., & v.t. (-nn-). 1. Snare, net, trap, (n. & v.t.). 2. Hoisting apparatus, kinds of crane & windlass. 3. Machine for separating cotton from its seeds (vb, remove seeds of with this). [shortened f. OF *engin* ENGINE]

gin², n. Spirit distilled from grain or malt, GENEVA¹; || ~palace, gaudily decorated public-house; || ~shop, dramshop esp. for ~; ~sling, American cold drink of ~ flavoured & sweetened. [short for GENEVA¹]

gin'gall (-gawl), j-, n. Musket fired from a rest, or light swivel gun, in China & India. [f. Hind. *janjal*]

gin'ger (-j-), n., a., & v.t. 1. (Plant with) hot spicy root used in cooking & medicine & preserved in syrup or candy as sweetmeat (*black ~*, unscrapped, from E. Indies; *white ~*, scraped, from Jamaica; ~ *shall be hot in the mouth*, the love of pleasure is immortal). 2. Mettle, spirit; stimulation (see vb); || ~group in Parliament, that urges Government to more decided action). 3. (Of) light reddish-yellow colour (n. & a.). 4. ~ale, beer, pop, kinds of aerated ~flavoured drink; ~brandy, a cordial; ~bread, a cake made with treacle & flavoured with ~ (~bread nut, small button-like cake of it; *take the GILT² off the ~bread*), also as adj., with allusion to fancy and often gilded shapes in which it was made) gaudy, showy, tawdry, (esp. ~bread Gothic); ~nut, ~bread nut; ~race, a root of ~; ~wine, a British wine of fermented sugar, water, & bruised ~; hence ~Y² a. 5. v.t. Flavour with ~; put ~ up fundament of (horse) to produce liveliness, (fig.) rouse up (person). [OE & LG *gingiber* f. L *zingiber* f. Gk *ziggiberis* f. Skr. *gr̥gavera* (*gr̥ga* horn, *vera* body)]

gingeråde' (-j-), n. = GINGER beer. [f. prec. after LEMONADE]

gin'gerly (-j-), adv. & a. With, showing, extreme caution so as to avoid making a noise or injuring oneself or what is touched or trodden on. [perh. f. OF *gensor* compar. of *gent* graceful f. L *genuis* (well-)born]

gingham (ging'am), n. Kind of cotton or linen cloth of dyed yarn often in stripes or checks; (colloq.) umbrella. [f. F *guingan* ult. f. Malay *ginggang* (orig. adj. = striped)]

gin'gill, n. (E.-Ind. plant yielding) a sweet oil. [f. Hind. *jīnjālī* f. Arab. *jūjulan*]

gingiv'al, a. Of the gums. [L *gingiva* gum + -AL]

ging'kō (g-), n. (pl. ~es). Chinese & Japanese tree with fan-shaped leaves. [Jap. f. Chin. *yingking* silver apricot]

gin'glymus (g-, j-), n. (anat.). Hinge-like joint in body with motion only in two

directions (e.g. elbow). [f. Gk *gigglumos* hinge]

***gink** (g-), n. (sl.). (Queer) fellow, chap. [†]

gin'sēng, n. (Root of) medicinal plant found in China, Nepal, Canada, & Eastern U.S. [f. Chin. *jén shén* (*jén man*) perh. = image of man, w. allusion to forked root]

gipp'ō, n. (army sl.). Soup, gravy, stew. [†]

gipp'y, n. (army sl.). Egyptian soldier. [abbr.]

gip'sy, gý-, n. Member of a wandering race (called by themselves *Itomany*) of Hindu origin with dark skin and hair, living by basket-making, horse-dealing, fortune-telling etc., & speaking a much corrupted Hindi; (playful) mischievous or dark-complexioned woman; ~ *bonnet*, with large side flaps; ~ *moth*, European moth very destructive to foliage; ~ *rose*, scabious; ~ *table*, light round one on tripod. Hence ~ *DOM*, ~ *HOOD*, ~ *ISM*(2), nn., ~ *ISH*¹ a., ~ *FY* (usu. in p.p. ~ *fled*) v.t. [earlier *gipeyan* for *Egyptian*, the race being supposed to come from Egypt when it appeared in England in early 16th c.]

giraffe' (-ahf, -āf), n. African ruminant quadruped with spotted skin & long neck & legs, camelopard. [ult. f. Arab. *zara-fah*]

gī'randōle, n. Revolving firework, discharge of rockets from revolving wheel; revolving jet of water; branched candle bracket or candlestick; ear-ring or pendant with large central stone surrounded by small ones. [F, f. It. *girandola* (*girare* f. L *gyrare* revolve f. L f. Gk *gyros* circle)]

gī'rasōl(e), n. Kind of opal reflecting reddish glow, fire-opal. [It. (-e), f. *girare* see prec. + *sole* sun, orig. = sunflower]

girdl¹ (g-), v.t. (poet. or rhet.; ~ *ed* or *girt*). Encircle (waist, person as to waist) with belt etc. esp. to confine clothes (~ oneself, one's *loins*, prepare for action, often with *up*); invest with strength, power, etc.; equip with sword in belt; fasten (sword etc.) on with belt (*on* adv. or prep., *upon*, *to*); secure (clothes) on body with girdle or belt; put (cord etc.) round; encircle (town etc.) with besiegers or siege-works; (of belt, fence, etc.) encircle. [OE *gyrdan* cf. G *gürten* cogn. w. GIRTH & perh. w. GARTH, YARD¹, GARDEN]

girdl² (g-), v.i., & n. Jeer, gibe, af. [†]

gird'er (g-), n. Beam supporting joists of floor; iron or steel beam for like use; latticed or other compound structure of steel etc. forming span of bridge, roof, etc. [GIRD¹ + -ER¹]

gī'dle¹ (g-), n., & v.t. 1. Belt or (now usu.) cord used to gird waist; something that surrounds like a ~; part of out gem dividing crown from base & embraced by the setting; (Anat.) bony supports

for upper & lower limbs (*shoulder or pectoral, pelvic or hip*, ~); ring round tree made by removal of bark. 2. v.t. Surround with ~ (often *about*, *in*, *round*); kill (tree) or make it more fruitful by girdling. [OE *gyrdel* see GIRD¹, -LE(1), cf. G *gürtel*]

gī'dle² (g-), n. (Sc. & north.). Circular iron plate hung over fire for toasting cakes; ~ *cake*, so made. [var. of GIRD¹]

gīfl (g-), n. Female child, unmarried woman, (*old* ~, affectionate or disrespectful address or description for woman, mare, etc.; *the* ~s, daughters of family, married or not); maidservant; man's sweetheart (often *best* ~); ~ *guides*, organization parallel to boy scouts; ~ *of the period* (19th-c. nickname for one lacking demureness). Hence ~ *HOOD*, ~ *ie* (-Y¹), nn., ~ *ISH*¹ a., ~ *ishly*¹ adv., ~ *ishness* n., (g-). [cf. LG *gūr* child]

Girōn'dist, n. & a. (Member) of moderate republican party in French assembly 1791-3; (person) of such views. [f. F *Girondiste* (*Gironde* French department from which leaders of party came)]

gīft¹ (g-), n., & v.t. 1. Measurement across or round surface that is not flat, with account taken of elevations & depressions. 2. v.t. Measure ~ of; (of trees etc.) measure (so much) in ~. [var. of GIRT¹]

gīft². See GIRD¹.

gīfth (g-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Leather or cloth band tightened round body of horse etc. to secure saddle etc.; measurement round any more or less cylindrical thing; ~ *web*, woven material for ~s. 2. vb. Surround; encircle (horse etc.), secure (saddle etc.), with ~; measure (so much) in ~. [f. ON *georh* cogn. w. GIRD¹]

gīst (-), n. Real ground or point, substance or pith of a matter. [OF, 3rd sing. pres. of *gésir* lie f. L *jacere*]

gitt'ēr (g-), n. Gut-stringed instrument, kind of early guitar. [f. OF *guiterne* perh. as CITHERN]

give¹ (g-), v.t. & i. (*gōve*, *gīv'en*). (General sense) make another the recipient of something in subject's possession or at subject's disposal (with obj. of thing given, & ind. obj. usu. preceding obj. if without to & following it if with to; in pass., either obj. may become subj., the other being retained without to if direct, with or without to if indirect. Thus: *I gave him a book*; *I gave £50 to the R.S.P.C.A.*; *I gave if him*; *he was ~n a book*; *a book was ~n him*; *the R.S.P.C.A. was ~n £50*; *£50 was ~n to*, or ~n, *the R.S.P.C.A.* Corresponding constructions are to be assumed with the various senses unless they are inapplicable or exceptions are mentioned). 1. Bestow gratuitously, hand over as present, confer ownership of with or without actual delivery, render (benefit etc.) without payment, (abs.) bestow alms or donations (*to*); confer, grant, (favour, honour, etc.); accord

(one's heart, affection, confidence); (of God etc.) grant (faculty etc., or to be or do; ~ me, in imperat., I prefer or admire, as ~ me the good old times); bequeath; sanction marriage of (daughter etc.; usu. in marriage). 2. Deliver, hand over, without reference to ownership, put (food etc.) before one, (~ MITTEN, SACK¹, BOOT¹, cf. GET), administer (medicine); deliver (message, love, compliments, etc.); commit, consign, entrust, (~ into custody or in charge¹); pledge, assign as guarantee, (one's word, honour, etc.). 3. Make over in exchange or payment, pay, sell for price, (~ as good as one gets, re-tort adequately in words or blows; so ~ a ROLAND for an Oliver; ~ one his due, admit any merits he may have; would ~ the world, one's ears, make any sacrifice to secure or for something, or if). 4. Devote, dedicate, addict, (gave his life to it; much ~n to these pursuits). 5. Put forth (some action or effort) to affect another or simply (~ him a kick; ~ a jump, cry, etc.; ~ orders; ~ person one's blessing; ~ you joy, prob. orig. with ellipse of God, now taken as = wish with I expressed or omitted; ~ the time of day, say good morning, evening, etc.); deliver (judgement etc.) authoritatively (~ the case, or it, for or against person; in cricket, ~ batsman out or not out); (p.p. of document) dated; provide (ball, party, dinner) as host. 6. Present, offer, expose, hold out, show, (~ person one's hand; ~ a back, stand to be leapt over; ~ good example; The Times ~s the facts; ~s no sign of life; thermometer ~s 80° in the shade); read, recite, sing, act, perform, (piece etc.). 7. Make partaker of, impart, be source of, (gave me his sore throat; gave its name to the battle; ~ a piece of one's mind, scold, reproach; ~ to the world, publish; ~ person to understand, know, etc., inform, assure). 8. Allot, assign, ascribe, grant, assume, (he was ~n the contract, the name of John, quarters; under the ~n conditions; ~n health, the thing can be done). 9. Yield as product or result (lamps ~ a bad light; analysis ~s the following figures). 10. Cause or allow to have (solitude ~s it its only charm; gave me much pain; this ~s him a right to complain; ~ oneself trouble, take pains; ~ oneself airs, be pretentious; gave myself an hour to get there; was ~n a rest). 11. Collapse, lose firmness, yield to pressure, become relaxed, make room, shrink. 12. (Of window, passage, etc.) look, lead, (up)on, into. 13. (In phrr. with obj.): || ~ one best (colloq.), admit his superiority; ~ birth to, bring forth (lit. & fig.); ~ chase, start in pursuit; ~ ear, listen; ~ ground, retreat; ~ it him etc., administer punishment (often hoc); ~ child etc. something to cry for, chastise for causeless crying;

~ one what for, al., punish or scold; ~ place (to), make room (for), yield precedence (to), be superseded (by); ~ rise to, occasion; ~ tongue; ~ way, retire, fail to resist, be superseded by (to), be dislodged, break down, make concessions, abandon oneself to grief etc., fall in price, begin to row or row harder. 14. (With adv.) ~ away, alienate by gift, hand over (bride) to bridegroom, betray or expose to ridicule or detection (esp. al. ~ away the show²), distribute (prizes); ~ back, restore; ~ forth, emit, publish, report; ~ in, yield, cease fighting or arguing, hand in (document) to proper official, (p.p.) added as supplement; ~ off, emit (vapour etc.); ~ out, announce, omit, distribute, cease or break down from exhaustion etc., run short; ~ over, cease from doing, abandon (habit etc.), desist, hand over (~n over, abandoned to evil courses etc.); ~ up, resign, surrender, part with (~ up the ghost), deliver (fugitive etc.) into hands of pursuers etc., abandon oneself to a feeling etc., cease to have to do with, cease from effort, (refl. & p.p.) devote or addict to, divulge (names of accomplices etc.), pronounce incurable or insoluble, renounce hope of. Hence *giv'ed*¹ (g-) n. [com.-Teut.; OE *giefan* cf. Du. *geven*, G *geben*]

*give*² (g-), n. Yielding to pressure, elasticity, (there is no ~ in a stone floor); ~ & take, mutual concession, compromise, exchange of talk. [f. prec.]

giv'en (g-), a. In vbl senses; *~ name, CHRISTIAN name. [p.p. of GIVE¹]

gizz'ard (g-), n. Bird's second stomach for grinding the food mixed in the first with gastric juice; specially muscular stomach of some fish, insects, & molluscs; fret one's ~, worry; sticks in one's ~, is unpalatable (fig.). [f. OF *g(u)iser* perh. f. L *gigeria* pl. cooked entrails of fowl]

glāb'rous, a. (anat. etc.). Free from hair or down, smooth-skinned. [f. L *glaber* + -OUS]

glā'cé (-ah-sā), a. (Of cloth, leather, etc.) smooth, polished; (of fruits) iced, sugared. [F]

glā'cial (-āshl, -āshl, -āshl), a. Of ice, icy; (Chem.) crystallized; (Geol.) characterized, produced, by the presence or agency of ice (~ epoch, era, period, when northern hemisphere was mostly covered with ice-sheet). Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *glacialis* (glacies ice, -AL)]

glā'ciatéd (-sh-, -sh-), a. Marked or polished by ice-action; covered with glaciers or ice-sheet. So *glā'cia'tion* n. [p.p. of *glaciate* f. L *glaciare* freeze, -AT¹]

glā'cier, n. Slowly moving river or mass of ice formed by accumulation of snow on high ground. Hence ~ED² (-erd) a. [F (*glace* ice)]

glá'cie (or **glahs'é**), n. Bank sloping down from fort, on which attackers are exposed to fire. [F, orig. = slippery place (OF *glacier* to slip)]

gläd, a., & v.t. (-dd-). 1. Pleased (pred. only; *I am ~, ~ of it, ~ to hear it, ~ that it is so, ~ it is so, shall be ~ to come* etc.; iron., *should be ~ to know*); (of looks, feelings, etc.) marked by, filled with, expressing, joy; (of news or events) giving joy; (of nature etc.) bright, beautiful; *the ~ eye* (sl.), amorous or festive glance; ~ *hand* (orig. U.S.), the hand of welcome; ~ *rags* (sl.), Sunday or dress clothes; hence ~d'EN⁶ v.t., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (poet.) ~SOME a., ~somerLY² adv., ~some-NESS n. 2. v.t. (arch.). Make ~. [OE *glæd* cf. Du. & Sw. *glad*, & G *glatt* smooth (the orig. sense, cf. L *glaber*)]

gläde, n. Clear open space or passage between forest trees. [perh. cogn. w. prec.]

gläd'iätor, n. Man trained to fight with sword or other weapon at ancient Roman shows; political etc. champion in argument, controversialist. So **glädiätor'iäl a.** (L *gladius* sword)]

glädiöl'us (or *gladi'o-*), n. (pl. -i, -luses). Iridaceous plant with sword-shaped leaves & bright flower-spikes. [L, dim. of *gladius* sword]

Gläd'stone, n. & a. ~ (bag), kind of light portmanteau; ~ *claret*, of cheap kinds that became common by Gladstone's reduction of duty 1860. [W. E. ~, statesman d. 1898]

glair, n., & v.t. 1. White of egg; kinds of adhesive preparation made from it; any similar viscid substance; hence ~YOUS, ~Y² a. 2. v.t. Sinear with ~. [f. 13th-c. F *glair* perh. f. L *clara* fem. of *clarus* clear]

glaiue, n. (arch. & poet.). Broadsword, sword. [OF, perh. f. L *gladius* sword]

gläm'our (-er), n., & v.t. 1. Magic, enchantment, (*cast a ~ over*, enchant); delusive or alluring beauty or charm; hence **gläm'orous a.** 2. v.t. Affect with ~, bewitch, enchant. [corruption of GRAMMAR, cf. for sense GRAMARYE]

glance¹ (-ah-), v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of weapon) glide off object instead of striking it full (often *aside*, *off*); (of talk or talker) pass quickly *over*, *glide off* or *from*, subject; ~ *at*, make passing & usu. sarcastic allusion to; (of bright object or light) flash, dart, gleam; (of eye) cast momentary look, flash, (~ *at*, give brief look at); ~ *over*, read cursorily; ~ *down*, up, etc.; ~ *one's eye*, direct it *at*, *over*, etc.; hence **glän'cingLY²** (-ah-) adv. 2. n. Swift oblique movement or impact, (Cricket) stroke with bat's face turned sideways to ball; (sudden movement producing) flash or gleam; brief look (*at*, *into*, *over*, etc.). [perh. nasalized form of OF *glancier* to slip]

glance² (-ah-), n. Lustrous ore (*copper ~*, native copper sulphide; *lead ~*, GALENA). [f. G *glans* lustre]

gländ¹, n. (Physiol.) simple or complex organ composed of nucleated cells secreting constituents of the blood for use or ejection; (Bot.) secreting cell or group of cells on surface of plant-structure. So (see -ry) glän'drye

glände f. OF *glandre* f. L ⁺*gländula* (*glans* -dis acorn, -ULE)]

gländ², n. (mech.). Sleeve used to press a packing tight on a piston-rod. [perh. f. Sc. *glauud* iron clamp]

glän'der's (-z), n. pl. Contagious horse-disease with swellings below jaw & mucous discharge from nostrils; the same communicated to man. Hence ~ED² (-erd), ~OUS, aa. [f. OF *glandre* see GLAND¹]

gländif'erous, a. Bearing acorns. [f. L *gländifer* (GLAND¹), -FEROUS)]

glän'diform, a. Acorn-shaped; like gland. [GLAND¹, -FORM]

glär'e, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Shine dazzlingly or disagreeably; be over-conspicuous or obtrusive, whence ~INGLY² adv., ~ING-NESS n.; look fixedly or fiercely (*at*, *upon*); express (hate, defiance) by look. 2. n. Strong fierce light, oppressive unrelieved sunshine; tawdry brilliance; fierce or fixed look; hence ~Y² a. [ME, also MDu. & MLG. *glaren* perh. cogn. w. GLASS]

glass¹ (-ah-), n. 1. Substance, usu. transparent, lustrous, hard, & brittle, made by fusing sand with soda or potash or both & other ingredients (CROWN¹, FLINT, PLATE, WATER¹, ~); substances of similar properties or composition, as ~ of *antimony*, vitreous oxy-sulphide fused. 2. ~ utensils, ornaments, windows, greenhouses; ~ vessel esp. for drinking, amount of liquid contained in this, drink (*a friendly ~*, *fond of his ~*; *has had a ~ too much*, is rather drunk); sand~, hour~; carriage window; plate of ~ covering picture; glazed frame for plants; looking~; eye~, (pl.) pair of spectacles; lens; ~ disk covering watch-face; telescope, spy~, field~, opera~, microscope; barometer, weather~. 3. ~-blower, one who blows & shapes ~; ~ case, chiefly of ~ for exhibiting or protecting objects; ~-cloth, linen cloth for drying ~es, cloth covered with powdered ~ like ~-paper; ~ cloth, woven fabric of fine-spun ~; ~-cutter, workman, tool, cutting ~; ~-culture, of plants under ~; ~-dust, powdered ~ for polishing; ~ eye, false eye of ~, kind of blindness in horses; ~-house, building where ~ is made, greenhouse, ~-rooted photographing-room, # (sl.) military prison; ~-paper, covered with ~-dust; ~ snake, snake-like

lizard of Southern U.S., with very brittle tail; ~ware, articles made of ~; ~wort, kinds of plant formerly used in ~making. Hence ~FUL(2) n., ~LESS a. [OE *glas* cf. G *glas* perh. f. OTeut. *glā-*, *glā-*, shine]

glass² (-ah-), v.t. Fit with glass, glaze, (rare); enclose in glass (rare); make (the eye) glassy (rare); mirror, occasion reflection of (often refl., as trees ~ themselves in the lake); || ~ing-jack, machine used in dressing leather. [f. prec., cf. earlier GLAZE]

glass³ (-ah-), a. Having properties of, resembling, glass; (of eye etc.) lacking fire, dull, fixed; (of water) lustrous & transparent, or smooth, as glass (so ~y calm, surface, etc.). Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-Y²]

Glāswē'gian (-z-), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Glasgow. [perh. on GALWEGIAN]

Glaub'er's salt(s) (glaw-, glow-), n. Crystalline (hydrated) sodium sulphate. [J. R. Glauber, German chemist]

glaucom'a, n. An eye-disease with tension of the globe & gradual loss of sight. Hence ~tous a. [f. Gk *glaukōma* -atos (*glaukōs* as foll., -M)]

glau'cous, a. (esp. nat. hist.). Of dull greyish green or blue; (Bot.) covered with bloom as of grapes. [f. L f. Gk *glaukos* + -ous]

glāze, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Fit (window, picture) with glass, furnish (building) with glass windows (~ in, enclose thus). 2. Cover (pottery etc.) with vitreous substance fixed by fusion (n., this substance, smooth surface resulting); fix (paint) on pottery thus; overlay (cloth, leather, pastry, etc.) with smooth lustrous coating (n., this coating, surface produced). 3. Cover (eye) with a film (n., filmy look). 4. Cover (painted surface) with thin coat of different transparent colour to modify tone (n., this coat). 5. Give glassy surface to, e.g. by rubbing (n., polished look); become glassy (esp. of eyes); ~d frost, = SILVER¹ thaw. Hence glāz'ER¹(1, 2) n., glāz'Y² a. [ME *glāsen* (GLASS¹)]

glā'zier (-zier, -zier), n. One whose trade is to glaze windows etc.; is your father a ~? (Joc. question, = you are opaque, to person obstructing one's view). Hence glā'zierY(2) n. [GLASS¹ + -ER¹ w. assim. to Rom. wds in -IER]

glāz'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: windows; material used to produce glaze. [-ING¹]

gleam, n., & v.i. 1. Subdued or transient light; faint, temporary, or intermittent show of some quality etc. (an occasional ~ of humour; not a ~ of hope); hence ~Y² a. 2. v.i. Emit ~s, shine with subdued or interrupted brightness. [OE *glēm* cf. OHG *glīmo* glow-worm; cogn. w. GLIMMER, GLIMPSE]

gleam, v.i. & t. Gather ears of corn left by reapers, gather (such remains); strip

(field etc.) thus; collect in small quantities, scrape together, (news, facts, etc.). Hence ~ER¹, ~ING¹(1, 2), nn. [f. OF *glener* etym. dub.]

glēbe, n. (Poet.) earth, land, a field; portion of land going with clergyman's benefice. [f. L *gleba* clod, soil]

glee, n. 1. Musical composition for three or more (prop. adult male) voices, one to each part, set to words grave or gay, often with contrasted movements & prop. without accompaniment. 2. Mirth, lively & manifest delight, whence ~FUL, ~SOME, aa., ~FULLY² adv. [OE *glīu*, *glēo*]

gleet, n. Thin morbid discharge from wound, ulcer, etc. (rare), or from the urethra. Hence ~Y² a. [f. OF *glette* slime]

glén, n. Narrow valley. [f. Gael. *gleann*]

glēn'doveer, n. Beautiful sprite of kind represented by Southey as occurring in Hindu myths. [altered f. *grandower* in F travel-book perh. f. Skr. *gandharva* semi-divine spirit]

glēngá'rry (-n-g-), n. Kind of Highland cap. [place]

Glēnliv'et, n. Kind of Scotch whisky. [place]

glēn'oid, a. (anat.). ~ cavity, fossa, surface, shallow cavity on bone (esp. scapula & temporal bone) receiving projection of other bone to form joint. [f. Gk *glēnoeidēs* (*glēnē* socket, -oid)]

glīb, a. & adv. (-bb-). 1. (Of surface etc.) smooth, offering no resistance, (of movement) unimpeded, easy, (rare); (of speaker, speech, etc.) fluent, ready, more voluble than sincere or thoughtful; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. adv. Volubly (now rare). [perh. imit.; cf. GLIDE]

glidle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Pass, change place, by smooth continuous movement (of liquid, ship, bird, carriage, snake, person skating, etc.); fly without engine (~ER¹(2) n., engineless aeroplane); go quietly & stealthily; (of time etc.) pass gently & imperceptibly; pass gradually, shade off insensibly, into; cause to ~e (*light airs ~ed her on her course*); hence ~INGLY² adv. 2. n. Act of ~ing; (Mus.) succession of sounds made in passing from one note to another without silencing voice or instrument; (Phon.) gradually changing sound made in passing from one position of speech organs to another. [com.-WG; OE *glidan* cf. G *gleiten*]

glīm, n. (sl.). Light, candle, lantern, (DOUSE the ~). [prob. cogn. w. GLAM, GLIMPSE]

glīm'm'er, v.i., & n. 1. Shine faintly or intermittently. 2. n. (Also ~ING¹ n.) feeble or wavering light, faint gleam of hope etc., glimpse, half view. [as prec.; cf. G *glimmern*]

glimpse, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Faint & transient appearance, momentary or imperfect

view of, (the ~s of the moon, the earth by night, sublunary affairs). 2. vb. Catch ~ of, see faintly or partly; (poet.) appear faintly, dawn. [n. f. vb, ME *glymsen* cf. MHG *glimsen* & see prec.]

glint, v.i. & t., & n. Flash, glitter, sparkle, (v. & n.); make flash, reflect, (light). [n. f. vb, earlier *glent* cogn. w. G *glänzen*]

glissade (-ahd), n., & v.i. (mountaineering). Slide (n. & v.) down steep slope esp. of ice or snow usu. on the feet with support of ice-axe etc. [vb f. n., F (*glisser* slip, -ADE)]

glis'ten (-lan), v.i., & n. Shine fitfully; glitter, sparkle, (v. & n.). [n. f. vb, OE *glisman* (*glisian* shine, -MN⁴)]

glis'ter, v.i., & n., (arch.). Sparkle, glitter. [f. OE *glisian* see prec. + -t- + -ER¹]

glit'ter, v.i., & n. (Shine with) brilliant tremulous light, gleam, sparkle; be showy or splendid (with jewels etc.). [prob. f. ON *glitra* cf. G *glitzern* f. Teut. *glit*- shine + -ER¹]

gloom'ing, n. Evening twilight. [OE *glomung* (*glóm* twilight cogn. w. GLOW, -ING¹)]

gloat, v.i. Feast eyes or mind lustfully, avariciously, malignantly, etc., (upon) or over. Hence ~ingLY² adv. [cf. G *glotzen* stare]

glöbe, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Spherical body; the earth; planet, star, sun; spherical chart of (terrestrial ~) the earth or (celestial ~) the constellations (use of the ~s, arch., teaching of geography & astronomy by these); golden orb as emblem of sovereignty; (Anat.) eyeball; approximately spherical glass vessel, esp. lampshade or fishbowl; ~-fish, able to inflate itself into globular form; ~-flower, ranunculaceous plant with round yellow flowers; ~ lightning, = FIRE¹-ball; ~-trotter, -trotting, hurried traveller, travelling, through foreign countries for sight-seeing; so **glöb'AL** (1) a., world-wide, embracing the totality of a group of items, categories, etc., **glöb'OID** a. & n., **globose**¹ a., **globos'ITY** n. 2. vb. Make (usu. in pass.), or become, globular. [F, f. L *globus*]

glöb'ular, a. Globe-shaped, spherical; composed of globules. Hence ~ITY (-&r-) n., ~LY² adv. [foll., -AR¹, & see -UL-]

glöb'üle, n. Small globe or round particle, drop, pill. [F, f. L *globulus* (GLOBE, -ULE)]

glöb'ülin, n. Protein found usu. associated with albumen in animal tissues. [prec., -IN]

glochid'iate (-k-), a. (bot.). Barbed at tip. [f. Gk *glökhidion* (*glökhis* arrowhead, -ATE¹)]

glöck'enspiél (-pël), n. Musical instrument consisting of a series of metal bars struck by a hammer (earlier, a kind of *carillon*). [G. = bell-play]

glöm'erat, a. (bot., anat.). Compactly

clustered. [L *glomerare* (*glomus* -eris ball), -AR¹]

glöm'erule (-ööl), n. Clustered flower-head; cluster of small organisms, tissues, blood-vessels, etc. [f. F *glomérule* (L *glomus* see prec., -ULE)]

glööm¹, n. Darkness, obscurity; melancholy, despondency. [perh. back formation f. GLOOMY]

glööm², v.i. & t. Look sullen, frown, be melancholy; (of sky etc.) lour, be dull or threatening; appear darkly or obscurely; cover with gloom, make dark or dismal. [ME *gloume* cf. MG *glümen* be savage; cogn. w. GLUM]

glööm'y, a. Dark, unlighted; depressed, sullen; dismal, depressing. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [perh. f. prec. + -Y¹]

glör'ia, n. (Short for) G~Patri, doxology *Glory be to the Father* etc., G~tibi, response *Glory be to thee* etc., or G~ in excelsis, hymn *Glory be to God on high*; aureole. [L. = glory]

glör'ify, v.t. Make glorious, exalt to the glory of heaven; invest with radiance; transform into something more splendid, invest (common or inferior thing) with charm or beauty (nothing more than a ~sted, or ~fication of a, cottage); extol, laud. Hence ~FICA'tION n. [f. F *glorifier* f. LL *glorificare* (*glorificus* f. L *gloria* glory, -FIC)]

glör'iole, n. Aureole, halo. [F, f. L *gloriola* dim. of *gloria* glory]

glör'ious, a. Possessing glory, illustrious, conferring glory, honourable; splendid, magnificent, intensely delightful, (a ~ view, day; also joc., as ~ fun; & iron., as the ~ uncertainty of cricket, a ~ muddle); (colloq.) ecstatically happy with drink. Hence ~LY² adv. [AF, f. L *gloriosus* (foll., -OSE¹)]

glör'y¹, n. Exalted renown, honourable fame; subject for boasting, special distinction, ornament, pride; adoring praise & thanksgiving (~ be! or ~l. vulgar excl. of surprise or delight); resplendent majesty, beauty, or magnificence, effulgence of heavenly light, imagined unearthly beauty; bliss & splendour of heaven (go to ~, die; send to ~, joc., kill); state of exaltation, prosperity, etc. (is in his ~); circle of light round head or figure of deity or saint, aureole, halo; ~-hole (sl.), untidy room, drawer, or receptacle. [f. OF *glorie* f. L *gloria*]

glör'y², v.i. Exult, pride oneself, in thing or doing, to do. Hence ~ingLY² adv. [f. L *gloriari* boast (*gloria* glory)]

glöss¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Word inserted between lines or in margin to explain word in text; comment, explanation, interpretation, paraphrase; misrepresentation of another's words; glossary, interlinear translation, or set of notes. 2. vb. Insert ~es in (text etc.); write ~es;

make comments esp. of unfavourable sort; read different sense into, explain away. [vb f. n., earlier *glose* f. OF *glose* f. med. L *glossa* f. L f. Gk *glossa* (foreign) tongue, obscure or foreign word]

glöss², n., & v.t. 1. Superficial lustre; deceptive appearance, fair outside; hence ~y² a., ~ily² adv., ~iness n. 2. v.t. Make ~y; give spurious appearance to (often over). [vb f. n.; from 16th c., cf. obs. Du. *gloos*, Icel. *glossi*, nn., glow, blaze]

glöss'al, a. (anat.). Of the tongue, lingual. [f. Gk *glossa* tongue + -AL]

glöss'arj, n. Collection of glosses; list & explanations of abstruse, obsolete, dialectal, or technical terms, partial dictionary. Hence **glössar'ial** a., ~ist(1) n. [f. L *glossarium* (*glossa* GLOSS¹, -ARY¹)]

glössat'or, n. Commentator, esp. medieval commentator on Civil & Canon Law. [med. L (*glossare* f. *glossa* GLOSS¹, -OR²)]

glöss(o), comb. form of Gk *glossa* tongue, as *glöss(o)-epiglott'ic* of tongue & epiglottis, *glössit'is*; also of GLOSS¹, as *glössog'rapher* commentator, *glössol'ogy* terminology.

glött'is, n. Opening at upper part of windpipe & between vocal chords, affecting modulation of voice by contracting or dilating. Hence ~AL, ~IO, aa. [Gk *glottis* (*glotta* var. of *glossa* tongue)]

Glooucester (glös'ter), n. Kind of cheese (usu. *single*, *double*, ~, the latter of richer milk) made in ~shire. [place]

glove (-üv), n., & v.t. 1. Covering of leather, cotton, silk, wool, or formerly steel, for the hand, usu. with separated fingers (*throw down*, *take up*, *the ~*, make, accept, challenge; *fit like a ~*, exactly; HAND¹ & or in ~); (also *boxing*~) padded ~ for boxing (*take off*, *without*, etc., *the ~s*, of arguing or contending in earnest, mercilessly, etc.); ~fight, fight with boxing~s (opp. *prize-fight* with bare fists); ~sponge, in shape of ~; ~stretcher, instrument for enlarging ~fingers; hence ~LESS (-üvl-) a., **glo'VEE**¹(3) (-üv-) n. 2. v.t. Provide with ~s. [OE *glóf* perh. f. OTent. *galōfā* (ga=Y-, *lōf*- cogn. w. Sc. loof hand)]

glow (-ō), v.i., & n. 1. Be heated to incandescence, throw out light & heat without flame; shine like thing intensely heated; show warm colour; burn with bodily heat or emotional fervour (*with*); ~worm, coleopterous insect with winged male & wingless female, the latter emitting green light at tail; hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. ~ing state (*in a ~*, *all of a ~*, hot or flushed); brightness & warmth of colour, e.g. red of cheeks; ardour, passion; ~lamp, with carbon etc. incandescent under electric current. [OE *glōwan* of. G *glūhen*; cogn. w. GLOAMING & obs. or dial. *gleed* ember]

glower (-owr), v.i. Stare, scowl, (usu. *at*). Hence ~ingly² adv. [1]

glöxin'ia, n. American tropical plant with large bell flowers of various colours. [B. P. *Gloxia* botanist c. 1785 + -ia¹]

glöze, v.i. & t. || Comment (*upon* (arch.)); palliate, explain away, extenuate, (usu. over); talk speciously, use fair words, fawn. Hence **glöz'ingly**² adv. [f. F *glozer* (*glose* GLOSS¹)]

glucin'um (-ōos-), n. White metal obtained from beryl, beryllium. [f. Gk *glukus* sweet (some compds of it being sweet)]

glu'cōse (glōō-), n. (chem.). Grape-sugar or dextrose; commercially prepared from starch and other carbohydrates by hydrolysis. Hence **glucōs'ic** a., **glu'coside** n., (glōō-). [f. Gk *gleukos*, see -OSE²]

glue (-ōō), n., & v.t. 1. Hard brittle brownish gelatin made by boiling hides & bones & used warm for uniting substances; adhesive or viscous substance got from other sources (*fish*, *vegetable*, *casein*, *resin*, ~); ~pot, with outer coat holding water to heat ~; hence ~y² (glōō') a. 2. v.t. (part. *gluing*). Fasten or join (as) with ~; attach tightly or closely (*eye*, *ear*, ~d to the keyhole). [f. OF *glu* f. LL *glus glutis*]

glüm, a. Sullen, looking dejected or displeased. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [cogn. w. GLOOM²; cf. LG *glum* turbid]

glume (-ōōm), n. (bot.). Chafflike bract in inflorescence of grasses & sedges; husk of grain. Hence **gluma'CEOUS**, **glumose**², aa., (-ōōm-). [f. L *gluma*]

glüt, v.t. (-tt-), & n. 1. Feed (person, stomach) or indulge (appetite, desire) to the full, overload with food (lit. or fig.), satiate, cloy; choke up, fill to excess; overstock (market) with goods. 2. n. Full indulgence, one's fill, surfeit; supply exceeding demand (*a ~ in the market*). [n. f. vb, prob. f. obs. & OF *glut* GLUTTON]

glu'tiën (glōō-), n. Sticky substance, whence ~INIZ(3) v.t., ~INOUS a., ~INOUSLY² adv., ~INÖS'ITY n., (-ōō-); viscid animal secretion; nitrogenous part of flour remaining as viscid substance when starch is washed out. [L, *glutit*, -itis, glue]

glüt'ton, n. Excessive eater, gormandizer; greedy reader of books, person with great appetite for work; voracious animal of weasel kind but larger, wolverene. Hence or cogn. ~IZE(2) v.i., ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv., ~Y¹ n. [f. OF *glutun* f. LL *glutinem* nom. -o (*glutire* swallow)]

glý'cerināte, v.t. Treat with glycerine (esp. vaccine lymph). [-ATE²]

glý'cerīne, -in, n. Colourless sweet liquid got from any fatty substance, liquid or solid, by saponification, used as ointment, as vehicle for drugs, in explosives, etc. Hence **glýcē'rīo** a. (chem.), ~ATE¹(3), ~IDE, ~YL, nn., ~O comb. form. [Gk *glukeros* sweet, -IN]

glý'ceröl, n. (chem.). (Name preferred in scientific use for) glycerine. [prec., -OL(1)]

glyce-, comb. form, irreg. for *glycy-*, of Gk *glukus* sweet, also used in names of chem. compounds containing glycerol or other substance in *glyc-*.

glyc'ogén, n., **glycogén'ic**, a., (chem.). (Substance) producing glucose in animal tissues. So **GLYCOGEN'ESIS** n. [prec., -GEN(1)]

glyc'ol, n. Any of the fatty diatomic alcohols. Hence **GLYC'OL(1)'IC** a. [GLYCO-, -OL(1)]

glycôn'ic, a. & n. (Gk & L pros.). (Line, metre) consisting of three trochees & dactyl, the dactyl variously placed, esp. of the catalectic form (—v—v—v) used by Horace & Catullus. [*Glukôn* Gk poet, -IO]

glycosūr'ia, n. (path.). Diseased condition with sugar in the urine. Hence ~**IC** a. [F *glycose* GLUCOSE, Gk *ouron* urine, -IA¹]

glyph'ograph (-ahf), **glýphōg'raphy**, nn. (Plate or copy, -ph, made by) electrotype process giving raised copy of engraved plate for use in letter-press printing (-y). So **glyph'ograph** (-ahf) v.t. & i., **glýphōg'rapher** n., **glýpho-graph'ic** a. [f. Gk *gluphē* carving (*gluphō* carve), -GRAPHY]

glýp'tic, a. Of carving esp. on precious stones. [f. Gk *gluptikos* (*gluphō* carve, -IC)]

glýp'todōn, n. Extinct S.-Amer. quadruped allied to armadillos with fluted teeth. [f. Gk *gluptos* carved (as prec.) + *odous* -ontos tooth]

glýptōg'raphy, n. Art & science of gem-engraving. [as prec., -GRAPHY]

***G-man**, n. (sl.). Federal criminal investigation officer. [Government]

gnarled (nārd), **gnār'l'y** (n-), aa. (Of tree; & fig.) covered with protuberances, twisted, rugged. [var. of obs. *knurled* (knurl knob); -ED, -Y²]

gnāsh (n-), v.i. & t. (Of teeth) strike together; grind the teeth, grind (the teeth). [earlier *gnast* cf. ON *gnastan* prob. imit.]

gnāt (n-), n. Small two-winged fly of which female has blood-sucking proboscis; (as type) insignificant annoyance, tiny thing, (strain at ~, be scrupulous about trifles). [OE *gnæt*]

gnāth'ic (n-), a. Of jaws. [Gk *gnathos* jaw, -IC]

gnaw (n-), v.t. & i. (p.p. ~ed, ~n). Bite persistently, wear away thus (often away, off, in two, etc.; also intr. with at, into); (of destructive agents, pain, etc.) corrode, waste away, consume, torture. Hence ~**INGLY** adv. [OE *gnagan* cf. G *gnagen*]

gnæiss (gna, nla), n. (geol.). Laminated rock of quartz, feldspar, & mica. Hence ~**ITE**, ~**OUS**, ~**ESS**, ~**Y**, aa. [G (OHG *gnæitan* sparkle)]

gnōm'ic (n-; also nōm), n. Maxim, aphorism, gnōm'ic (gnōm'ic know)]

gnōmē (nōm), n. Diminutive spirit of subterranean race guarding treasures of earth (cf. **STYX**, **SALAMANDER**, **NYMPH**), goblin, dwarf. Hence **gnōm'ish** (n-) a. [used by Paracelsus; perh. for *genomos* (Gk *gē* earth, -*nomos* -dwelling, or spec. use of prec.)]

gnōm'ic (n-), a. Of, consisting of, using, **GNOME'S**, sententious; (Gram.) ~ **acrost.**, used without past sense to express a general truth, e.g. *men were deceivers ever*. [f. Gk *gnōmikos* (**GNOME**, -IC)]

gnōm'on (n-), n. Pillar, rod, pin or plate of sundial, showing time by its shadow on marked surface; column etc. used in observing sun's meridian altitude; (Geom.) part of parallelogram left when similar one has been taken from its corner. Hence **gnōmōn'ic** (n-) a. [Gk (*gnōmōn*), ~ inspector, ~ of dial, (*gnōmōskō* know)]

gnōs'is (n-), n. Knowledge of spiritual mysteries; Gnosticism. [Gk (-ō-), = knowledge, as prec.]

gnōs'tic (n-), a. & n. 1. Relating to knowledge, cognitive; having esoteric spiritual knowledge; of the Gnostics, occult, mystic. 2. n. (usu. pl.; G~) early Christian heretic(s) claiming **GNOSIS**, whence ~**ISM** (3) n., ~**IZE** (2, 3, 4) v.i. & t., ~**NESS** (Gk *gnōstikos* (as prec., -IC)]

gnu (nū), n. Oxlike antelope. [Hottentot] **gō**, v.i. & t. (*went*, gone pr. gawn, gōn; 2nd sing. *goest*, 3rd goes pr. gōz & arch. *goeth*). 1. Start, depart, move, continue moving, with self-originated or imparted motion, from some place, position, time, etc. (often not specified because obvious, whereas the goal etc. is always specified if it matters; cf. **COME**). 2. Journey, travel, proceed, progress, (*going strong*, with vigour; *he will go far*, reach destination; *go easy*, straight; *go west*, sl., be killed or die; *go the pace*; *went miles round*; *go a walk*, journey, voyage; *go the same*, the shortest, way). 3. (Of line etc.) lie, point, in certain direction. 4. Be guided by, act in harmony with, judge or act upon, (*a good rule to go by*; *have nothing to go upon*; *always goes with his party*; *promotion goes by favour*; *go with tide or times*, do as others do). 5. Be habitually in specified state (*go hungry*, armed, in rags, in fear of one's life; *six months etc. gone with child*, having spent that time in gestation). 6. Be moving, acting, working, etc. (*Who goes there?*, sentry's challenge; *a going concern*, business in working order; *clock does not go*, goes well; *tongue goes nineteen to the dozen*). 7. Make specified motion (*go like this with your left foot*). 8. (Of bell, striking clock or hour, gun, etc.; also with interjections of sound as *go bang*, *crack*) sound (*go phut*, sl., collapse). 9. (Of time) pass, elapse. 10. Be current (*the sovereign went anywhere*; *the story goes*, it is said); be

known by, or under, the name of; be on the average (is a good actor as actors go nowadays). 11. (Of document etc.) run, have specified tenor. 12. (Of verse, song) be rhythmical, be adaptable to a tune. 13. (Of events) turn out well, ill, HARD, etc., (of election etc.) issue for or against, (of constituency, politician, voter) take certain course or views (*Liverpool goes Labour; America went dry*, adopted prohibition of intoxicants; *case goes by default*, takes its course against absent party; *dinner, play, went well*, succeeded; *goes without saying*). 14. Begin motion (*Go!*, starter's word in race; *HERE goes!*). 15. Get away free, unpunished, etc. 16. Be sold (*go cheap*, for 2/6, etc.; *going!*, *gone!*, auctioneer's announcement that bidding is almost, quite, closed). 17. (Of money) be spent (often in books etc.). 18. Be relinquished, abolished, or lost (*Greek, the carriage, must go; my sight, our trade, is going; next wicket went for nothing*). 19. Die (esp. in p.p.; & in many phrr., as *go the way of all the earth* or pop. *of all flesh, to a better world, to one's account or own place, aloft, off the hooks*, etc.). 20. Fail, give way, succumb, break down, crack. 21. Make way to, towards, into, etc. (*go to Jericho*, || *Bath, blazes, hell*, etc., be off out of speaker's presence; *go to Canossa*, humble oneself after recalcitrance, w. ref. to Emperor Henry IV in 1077; *go to the devil*; *which way goes to Bristol*; *go to a ball, to church, market*, etc., attend it; *go to school*, get instruction; *go to the bar, to sea*, become barrister, sailor; *go on the stage, the streets*, become actor, prostitute; *go to stool*). 22. Proceed to do (*went to find him*), and do (esp. colloq. = be so foolish as to do; also vulg. *have been & gone & done it*, made a blunder etc.), (a-)doing, on pilgrimage, an errand, the spree, etc. 23. Act as bail (for person; also abs. in parenthesis *I'll go bail, I assure you*). 24. Have recourse, refer, appeal, to (|| *go to the country*, test opinion by general election; *go to war, work*, etc.; vulg., *would not go to or for to do it*, be so inconsiderate etc. as to). 25. Carry action to certain point (*went all lengths; will go so far as to say; will go as high as £100*, in bidding or offering price; *go halves or shares*, share equally with, or abs.; *went to great expense, trouble*, etc.; *go the whole hog; go better or one better*, outbid or outdo adversary). 26. Penetrate, sink, (*ship went to the bottom; goes to one's heart*, grieves him); find room, (of number) be capable of being contained in another either without remainder or simply, (*will not go into or in the basket; 8 into 12 goes twice, into 5 will not go, into 13 goes twice and one over; thread too thick to go through needle*). 27. Belong in receptacle, on shelf etc. 28. Pass, be allotted, etc., to person (of

prize, victory, inheritance, office, etc.), be applied to purpose, contribute to or towards result, amount together to (*12 inches go to the foot*, tend to show etc.). 29. Reach, extend, (*the difference goes deep; as, so, far as it goes*, caution against taking statement too widely; *goes a long etc. way*, has great etc. effect towards, also of food, money, etc., lasts long etc., buys much etc.). 30. Pass into certain condition (*go brown, blind, mad, to seed; go hot & cold*, have accessions of fever or shame; *go to pieces*, break up). 31. v.t. Bid, declare, as ~ NAF³, two spades. 32. Phrr.: ~ native, (of a white man) adopt the uncivilized mode of life of the natives among whom he lives; *go sick* (Mil.), enter oneself on the sick list; (sl.) *go ill*, act vigorously, furiously, etc., indulge in dissipation; *going fifteen etc.*, in one's fifteenth etc. year; *going to*, about to, intending to (used as fut. part.); *be gone*, take oneself off; *gone*, dead (often *dead & gone*); *gone on* (sl.), infatuated with; *far gone*, very ill, deeply entangled; *go fetch!* (order to dog). 33. With prepp.: *go about*, set to work at; *go at*, attack, take in hand energetically; *go behind* (decision etc.), re-examine grounds of; *go for*, go to fetch, pass or be accounted as *nothing, little*, etc., strive to attain, (sl.) attack; *go into*, enter (profession, Parliament), frequent (society), take part in, allow oneself to pass into (hysterics etc.), dress oneself in (mourning etc.), investigate; *go off one's HEAD*; *go on*, become chargeable to (parish, relief fund, etc.); *go over*, inspect details of, rehearse, retouch; *go over the top or bags* (Mil.), issue from trench to attack enemy; *go through*, discuss in detail, scrutinize, perform, (ceremony, recitation, etc.), undergo, (of book) be sold out in (so many editions); *go up the line* (Mil.), leave the base for the front; *go with*, be concomitant of, take same view as, match, follow the drift of; *go without*, not have, put up with want of. 34. With adv.: *go about*, move from place to place, endeavour to do; *go ahead*, proceed without hesitation; *go along with*, = go with; *go back from or upon one's word* etc., fall to keep it; *go by*, pass; *go down*, sink (of ship), be continued to specified point, fall before conqueror, be recorded in writing, be swallowed, find acceptance with, || leave university; *go in*, enter as competitor (*go in & win!*), form of encouragement), (Cricket) take or begin innings, (of sun etc.) be obscured; *go in for*, take as one's object, pursuit, style, principle, etc.; *go off*, leave the stage, begin, explode, die, gradually cease to be felt, deteriorate, become unconscious in sleep, faint, etc., be got rid of by sale, succeed well, badly, etc.; *go on*, continue, persevere, (doing with, in, or abs.), proceed as next step to do, conduct

oneself *shamefully* etc., *roll at* (colloq.), appear on stage, begin bowling, take one's turn to do something, (colloq. in imperat.) don't talk nonsense; *going on for*, approaching (a time, age, etc.); *go out*, leave room or house, fight dual, be extinguished, leave office (of Government), cease to be fashionable, depart to colony etc., (esp. of girls) leave home for employment usu. as governess etc., mix in society, (of workmen) strike, (of heart etc.) expand with love etc. to person; *go over*, change one's party or religion; *go round*, pay informal visit to, be long enough to encompass, (of food etc.) suffice for whole party; *go through with*, complete, not leave unfinished; *go to* (imperat.; arch.), interjection of remonstrance, incredulity, impatience, etc.; *go together*, be concomitant, match; *go under*, sink, fail, succumb. 35. Comb.: *go-ahead*, enterprising; *go-as-you-please*, unfettered by regulations; *go-between*, intermediary, negotiator; *go-by*, passing (usu. in *give the go-by* to, outstrip, leave behind, elude, disregard, elude, slight); *go-cart*, wheeled frame for teaching child to walk, kind of perambulator, litter, palanquin, handcart; *go-off*, start (usu. *at the first go-off*); *go-to-meeting*, (of hat, clothes, etc.) fit or kept for going to church in. [com.-Teut.; OE *gan* cf. G *gehen*; past supplied f. WEND]

gō, n. (pl. *goes*). Act of going (*come-&-go*, traffic, movement to & fro); mottle, spirit, dash, animation; (colloq.) embarrassing turn of affairs (*here's, what, a go!*; *a rum go*); turn at doing something (*have a go at*); portion of liquor or food served; (Cribbage) player's inability to play, counting one to opponent; (colloq.) *it's no go*, nothing can be done; (colloq.) *all or quite the go*, in fashion; (colloq.) *near go*, close shave; (colloq.) *on the go*, in motion, also in a state of decline; || **LITTLE-go**. [f. prec.]

goad, n., & v.t. 1. Spiked stick used for urging cattle; thing that torments, incites, or stimulates. 2. v.t. Urge with ~; irritate; instigate, drive, by annoyance (often on; also to do, *into doing*, to or into fury etc.). [OE *gād* cf. Lombard *gaida* arrowhead; not related to obs. *gad* in same sense]

goal, n. Point marking end of race; object of effort or ambition; destination; posts between which ball is to be driven in football etc., points so won (**DRIP**, **make**, **PLACE**, **score**, a ~); (Rom. Ant.) pillar at turning-point in chariot race; ~keeper, player stationed to protect ~; ~line, line between each pair of ~posts produced as end-boundary of field of play (cf. **ROUGH-line**). Hence ~le [**Y**] n. (colloq.), ~keeper. [etym. dub.; once in 1815—limit, then not till 1881; prob. not f. *gaul* red.]

goat, n. Hardy lively wanton strong-smelling usu. horned & bearded ruminant quadruped (*sheep & ~s*, the good & the wicked, see **Matt.** xxv. 32, 33); (pl.) sub-family to which ~ belongs; zodiacal sign Capricorn (G~); licentious person; *get one's ~* (sl.), irritate one; *play the giddy ~*; ~god, Pan; ~herd, one who tends ~s; ~beard meadowsweet, also salsify; ~skin, (garment, bottle, made of skin of ~; ~sucker, nocturnal bird resembling swift; ~s wool, non-existent thing. Hence ~ish¹, ~y¹, aa., ~ishly¹ adv., ~ishness n. [com.-Teut.; OE *gāt* cf. G *geiss*, cogn. w. L *haedus* kid]

goatee, n. Chin-tuft like goat's beard. [-EE]

goat'ling, n. Goat 1-2 years old. [-LING¹] **gōb**¹, n., & v.i. (vulg.). 1. Clot of slimy substance, e.g. spittle; mouth. 2. v.i. (-bb-). Spit. [f. OF *gobe* mouthful]

***gōb**², n. (sl.). Sailor. [prob. abbr. of *gobby* (f. **GOB**²), sl. for coastguardsman (from a supposed addiction to spitting)]

gōbāng¹, n. Game played on chequer-board. [f. Jap. *goban* f. Chin. *k'i pan* chessboard, w. assim. to *go*, *bang*]

gōbb'et, n. (arch.). Piece, lump, esp. of raw flesh or food; extract from a text set for translation or comment. [f. OF *gobet* (**GOB**¹, -ET¹)]

gōb'ble¹, v.t. & i. Eat hurriedly & noisily; || ~stitch, one made too long from hurry. Hence **gōbb'ler**¹ [-EE¹] n. [perh. f. **GOB**¹ + -LE(3)]

gōb'ble², n. (golf). Rapid straight putt into the hole. [perh. f. prec.]

gōb'ble³, v.i. (Of turkeycock) make characteristic sound in throat; make such sound when speaking, from rage etc. Hence **gōbb'ler**² n., turkeycock. [imit.]

gōb'elin, a. G~tapesty, made, or imitated from that made, at the State factory in Paris called *Gobelins* after its founders.

gobe'mouche (**gōb'mōsh**), n. (pl. ~s pr. like sing.). Credulous newsmonger. [f. F *gobemouches* lit. fly-catcher (*gobes* swallow, *mouches* flies) mistaken by E writers for pl.]

gōb'lēt, n. (Arch.) metal or glass drinking-cup, bowl-shaped & without handles, sometimes with foot & cover; (Poet.) drinking-cup; (Commerc.) glass with foot & stem. [f. OF *gobelet* (*gobel* cup etym. dub. + -ET¹)]

gōb'lin, n. Mischievous ugly demon. [f. F *gobelin* perh. f. med. L f. Gk *kobalos* rogue, *kobalos* sprites invoked by rogues]

gōb'y, n. Small fish with ventral fins joined into a disk or sucker. [f. L *gobius*, co.-f. Gk *kōbios* gudgeon]

gōd¹, n. 1. Superhuman being worshipped as having power over nature & human fortunes, deity, (~ of heaven, Jupiter; ~ of hell, Pluto; ~ of the sea, Neptune; ~ of day, sun, Phoebus; ~ of fire, Vulcan; ~ of war, Mars; ~ of love, blind ~, Cupid;

~ of wine, Bacchus; ~ of this world, the Devil; *Ye ~s!*, *Ye ~s & little fishes!*, mock-heroic exclamations; *feast, sight, for the ~s*, something exquisite etc.). 2. Image, animal, or other object, worshipped as symbolizing, being the visible habitation of, or itself possessing, divine power; an idol. 3. Adored, admired, or influential person. 4. (Theatr., pl.) occupants of gallery. 5. (God). Supreme being, Creator & Ruler of universe, (God, often the Lord God, Almighty God, God Almighty; God the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, Persons of Trinity; AOT¹ of God; with God, dead & in heaven; God's truth, the absolute truth; God's earth, the whole earth; oh, my, good, etc., God I, exclamations of pain, grief, or anger; God bless, damn, help, you I, him I, etc., God forbid I, grant—I, prayers or imprecations; God bless me I, my life I, my soul I, you I, etc., exclamations of surprise; God willing, if circumstances allow; under God, used to qualify attribution of full agency to man; thank God I, parenthetical expression of pleasure at turn of events etc.; God knows, it is beyond mortal or my knowledge, I do not know, (also) I call God to witness that; for God's sake, with urgent petitions; by God, confirmatory oath; so HELP¹ me God I). 6. ~father, ~mother, ~parent, ~papa, ~mamma, sponsor at baptism, & so of the converse relation ~child, ~son, ~daughter; ~father (fig.), person after whom person or thing is named, (vb) be responsible for, give one's name to; ~fearing, sincerely religious; ~forsaken, devoid of all merit, dismal, (what a ~forsaken hole I); God'man', Christ; God's-acre (imit. of German), churchyard; God's book, Bible; ~send, unexpected welcome event or acquisition; God's image, human body; ~speed', utterance of words God speed you I, usu. in bid person ~speed, wish him success in undertaking, journey, etc. Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~WARD adv. & a., ~WARDS adv. (oom.-Teut.; cf. Du. *god*, G *got*; perh. f. Aryan *gheu* invoke or *gheu* sacrifice) **gōd**¹, v.t. (rare) -dd-. Deify; ~ it, play the god. [f. prec.] **gōdd'ess**, n. Female deity in polytheism (esp., in Latin mythol.: ~ of heaven, hell, love, wisdom, moon, corn, war, Juno, Proserpine, Venus, Minerva, Diana, Ceres, Bellona); woman one adores. [-ESS¹] **gō'det** (-dā), n. Triangular piece of stuff inserted in a dress, glove, etc. (also attrib., as ~ skirt). [F] **godé'tia** (-sha), n. Free-flowering hardy annual plant. [Gode't Swiss botanist, -IA¹] **gōd'head** (-ēd), n. Being God or a god, divine nature, deity, the G~., God. [-HEAD] **gōd'lēss**, a. Without a god; not recognizing God; implious, wicked. Hence ~NESS n. [-LESS]

gōd'like, a. Resembling God or a god in some quality; fit for, like that of, a god. [-LIKE] **gōd'ly**, a. Religious, pious, devout. Hence ~NESS n. [-LY¹] **godown'**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Warehouse in parts of Asia, esp. India. [f. Malay *godong* w. assim. to go down] **gōd'wit**, n. Marsh bird like curlew but with upward-curved bill. [f] **gō'er**, n. Person, thing, that goes (good, slow, etc., ~; comes & ~s). [-ER¹] **Goethian** (gēt'ian), a. & n. (Follower) of Goethe, like Goethe, his writings, views, etc. [J. W. von Goethe, German poet 1749-1832, -IAN] **gō'fer**, ***gau'fer** (gō'fer), n. Thin batter-cake stamped with honeycomb pattern by the irons it is baked in. [f. F *gaufre* honeycomb, gofer, see WAFER] **gof(f)'er**, **goph'er**, **gauff'er**, (gō-, gō-), v.t., & n. 1. Make wavy, flute, crimp, (lace edge, trimming, etc.) with heated irons; ~ed edges of book, embossed. 2. n. Iron used for ~ing; ornamental plaiting used for frills etc. [f. F *gaufre* (see prec., *gaufre* stamp with patterned tool)] ***gō-gētt'er**, n. (colloq.). One who secures what he sets out to get; pushing person, thruster. [Gō¹, GET¹, -ER¹ (1)] **gōg'gle**, v.i. & t., a., & n. 1. Squint, roll eyes about (or with eyes as subj.), (of eyes) project; turn (eyes) sideways or from side to side. 2. adj. (Of eyes) protuberant, full & rolling; so ~eyed² (-gel-id) a. 3. n. pl. Kind of spectacles for protecting eyes from glare, dust, etc., often with coloured glass, wire gauze, etc.; (sl.) round-lensed spectacles; sheep disease, staggers. [a. & n. f. vb; i. f. 14th c.; etym. dub., cf. W *gogi* shake, Gael. *gog* nodding of head] **gōg'lēt**, **gūgg'lēt**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Long-necked vessel usu. of porous ware for keeping water cool. [f. Port. *gorroleta*] **Goid'el**, n. Member of GADHELIC races. Hence (-GADHELIC) **Goid'el'io** a. & n. [f. OIr. *Góidēl*] **gō'ing**, n. In vbl senses; esp.: condition of ground for walking, riding, etc.; (for a-going, & now regarded as part.) in action (set the clock ~), existing, to be had, (one of the best fellows ~; there is cold beef ~); ~s-on, (usu. strange, such, etc.) behaviour. [-ING¹] **gōit're** (-ter), n. Morbid enlargement of thyroid gland, often showing as large pendulous swelling in neck, bronchocoele, dewlap. Hence **gōit'red**² (-ter-d) a. [F, back formation f. *goitreux* (L *guthur* throat, -OUS)] **gōit'rous**, a. Affected with, like, of, (of places) characterized by prevalence of, goitre. [f. F *goitreux* see prec.] **Gōlcōn'da**, n. Mine of wealth (lit. or fig.). [old name of Hyderabad]

gold, *n.* & *a.* 1. Precious yellow non-rusting malleable ductile metal of high specific gravity (as good as ~); coins made of this, money in large sums, wealth; (fig.) brilliant, beautiful, or precious things, stuff, etc. (*a heart, voice, of ~; age of ~*, = GOLDEN age; *she is pure ~; all that glitters or glisters is not ~*); the metal used for coating surface or as pigment, gilding; the colour of the metal (*old ~ n.*, dull brownish-golden yellow; *old ~ adj.*, thus coloured); bull's eye of archery target (usu. gilt). 2. ~ *amalgam*, ~ combined with mercury in plastic state; ~ *beater*, one who beats ~ out into ~leaf; ~ *beater's skin*, membrane used to separate leaves of ~ during beating, also as covering for slight wounds; ~ *brick* (orig. U.S. sl.), thing with only a surface appearance of value, sham, fraud; ~ *digger*, one who digs for ~, **(sl.) coquette who wheedles money out of men; ~dust*, ~ in fine particles as often found; ~ *fever*, rage for going in search of ~; ~ *field*, district in which ~ is found; ~ *finch*, bright-coloured song-bird with patch of yellow on wings, (sl.) gold coin, sovereign; ~ *fish*, small red Chinese carp kept for ornament; ~ *foil*, ~ *leaf*, ~ beaten into thin sheet, ~ *foil* being the thicker; ~ *mine*, lit. & fig. source of wealth; ~ *plate*, vessels made of ~; ~ *rush*, a rush to some new ~field; ~ *smith*, worker in ~ (~ *smith beetle*, with ~coloured wing-covers); || *Gold Stick*, (bearer of) gilt rod borne on State occasions by colonel of Lifeguards or captain of Gentlemen-at-arms. 3. *adj.* Wholly or chiefly of, coloured like, ~; (of sums in depreciated currencies) reckoned at par (~ *francs* etc.), the stated amount at the nominal undepreciated value of the franc etc.). [com.-Teut.; cf. *G gold*; cogn. w. *YELLOW*]

göl'den, *a.* Made, consisting, of gold (*G ~ FLEECES*; ~ *key*, money used to remove obstacle); abounding in, yielding, gold; coloured, shining, like gold; precious, excellent, important, (~ *opinions*, high respect; ~ *mouthed*, eloquent; *a ~ remedy, opportunity, saying; the ~ rule*, that in *Matt.* vii. 12; ~ *mean*, neither too much nor too little, principle of moderation; ~ *number*, named as important in fixing Easter, year's number in Metonic lunar cycle of 19 years; ~ *age*, first of four ages, see BRAZEN¹, when men were happy & innocent, also most prosperous period of nation's condition or literature); ~ *balls*, = three BALL's; ~ *eye*, kind of sea-bird; *G ~ Horn*, curved inlet of Bosphorus, the harbour of Constantinople; || ~ *knop*, ladybird; ~ *rain*, kind of fireworks; ~ *rod*, plant with rod-like stem & spike of bright yellow flowers; ~ *stump*; ~ *wedding*, fiftieth anniversary; ~ *ER*¹; earlier *golden*]

göl'mäda, *n.* Kinds of plant, esp. a

species of buttercup. [f. obs. *goldt*¹, *lock*¹]

gölf (also *göf*), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Game for two persons or couples in which a small hard ball is struck with clubs having wooden or metal heads into each of a series of (18 or 9) holes on smooth greens at varying distances apart and separated by fairways, rough ground, hazards, etc., the object being to hole the ball in the fewest possible strokes; ~ *club*, implement used in striking ball, (premises occupied by) association for playing ~. 2. *v.t.* Play ~, whence *gölf'er*¹ (also *göf*) *n.* [perh. f. Du. *kolf*, cf. *G kolbe* club]

Göli'ath, *n.* Giant; ~ *beetle*, large African black white-striped beetle; ~ (*crane*), powerful travelling crane. [1 *Sam.* xvii]

göll'iwög, *n.* Grotesque usu. black doll; bugbear. [f.]

göll'ý, *int.* (Used, esp. by negroes, for) God, by God. [deformation of *GOD*]

|| **golosh**. See GALOSH.

golüp'tious (-shus), *golöp'*, *a.* (joc.). Luscious, delightful. [perh. joc. for *voluptuous*]

|| **gömbeen**, *n.* (Anglo-Ir.). Usury (~ *man*, money-lender). [f. Ir. *gaimbín* perh. f. same OCelt. as med. L *cambium* CHANGE]

göm(b)röön', *n.* Persian pottery, imitated in Chelsea ware. [town on Persian gulf]

Gömö'rrah, *n.* (Type of) wicked town. [Gen. xviii, xix]

-gon, *sufl.* f. Gk *-gōnos* -angled, forming *nn.* as *hexagon, polygon, n-gon*, figure with six, several, *n.* angles.

gön'äd, *n.* (biol.). Undifferentiated germ-gland, serving both as ovary & spermary. [f. Gk *gonē, gonos*, generation, seed, + *-AD*]

gön'dola, *n.* Light flat-bottomed boat with cabin amidships & high point at each end worked by one oar at stern, used on Venetian canals; car suspended from airship. [It., etym. dub.]

göndolier', *n.* Rowers of gondola. [F, f. It. *gondoliere* (prec., -IER)]

gone (gawn, gön), *a.* In vbl senses; esp.: lost, hopeless, (*a ~ man*, also *gon'ez*¹ (gaw-) *n.*, sl.; *a ~ case*, COON); past, by-gone, (usu. *past & ~*). [p.p. of *GO*]

gön'falon, *n.* Banner, often with streamers, hung from cross-bar, esp. as standard of some Italian republics. [f. It. *gonfalone* f. OHG *gunfano* f. OTeut. *gunthjā* war, *fano* banner]

gönfalonier', *n.* Standard-bearer; chief magistrate in some Italian republics. [f. It. *gonfaloniere* (prec., -IER)]

göng, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Metal disk with turned rim giving resonant note when struck; saucer-shaped bell. 2. *v.t.* (Of metering-traffic police) direct (motorist) to stop by striking ~. [Malay, orig. imit.]

gön'gorism (-gær-), *n.* A Spanish literary style marked by inversion, antithesis, &

classical allusion, corresponding to EUPHUISM in England. [Góngora y Argote, Sp. poet, 1561-1627, +ISM]

goniōm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring angles. So **goniōm'ETRY** n., **goniōm'ETRIC**(AL) aa. [f' (-mètre), f. Gk *gōnia* angle, -METER]

gonorrhoe'[a (-or-ē), n. Inflammatory discharge of mucus from urethra or vagina. Hence ~AL (-rē'al) a. [med. L, f. Gk *gonorrhōia* (gonos seed, *rhoia* flux)]

good, a. (BETTER, BEST), & n. 1. Having the right qualities, satisfactory, adequate, (a ~ fire, not too small or dull; *meat keeps* ~, untainted; ~ soil, fertile; not ~ enough, colloq., not worth doing, accepting, etc.; ~ money, genuine; as conventional epithet in the ~ ship —, the ~ town of —; ~ law, valid, sound; is ~ eating etc., attractive to eat etc.). 2. Commendable (esp. in ~ men & true; ~ old —, colloq. form of approval; *that's a ~ un!*, sl., a lie worth telling; also in courteous, patronizing, ironically polite, or indignant address, as *my ~ friend, man, sir*, or in polite or indulgently contemptuous description, as *your ~ lady, the ~ man; the ~ people, fairies; of ~ family, well-born; in ~ spirits*, not depressed; a ~ leg, well shaped). 3. Right, proper, expedient, (*it is ~ to be here; I thought, it seemed, ~ to do something*; also abs. as excl. of approval or consent). 4. Morally excellent, virtuous. 5. Kind, benevolent, (so of God etc., esp. in prayers & exclamations, as ~ God!, ~ heavens!, ~ gracious!; be so ~ as, ~ enough, to, = please to; *how ~ of you!; did me a ~ turn or office; has always been ~ to me; say a ~ word for, commend, defend*). 6. (Esp. of child) well behaved, not giving trouble, (often as ~ as gold). 7. Gratifying, agreeable, favourable, advantageous, beneficial, wholesome, (~ news; *things are in ~ train, going well; so in forms of greeting or parting, as ~ morning, || ~ day, ~ night; have a ~ time, enjoy oneself; have a ~ night, sleep well; a ~ saying or story or thing, as ~ as a play, amusing; oil is ~ for burns; beer is not ~ for him or his health; are acorns ~ to eat?; take in ~ part, not be annoyed at*). 8. Adapted to an end, efficient, suitable, competent, (esp. with agent-nouns, as a ~ driver; ~ at describing etc.; *has been a ~ wife to him*). 9. Reliable, safe, sure, (a ~ man, financially sound, able to meet liabilities; ~ debts, sure to be paid; a ~ life, likely to last long, such as insurance office will accept; ~ for an amount, safely to be trusted to pay it, also of draft etc., drawn for so much; ~ for, inclined for, up to, as ~ for a ten-mile walk). 10. Valid, sound, thorough, ample, considerable, (*gave her a ~ beating; did it for ~ reasons; rule holds ~; a ~ excuse; a ~ DEAL¹, few,*

MANY; *have a ~ mind*, be much inclined to do; often as intensive before adj., as *went a ~ round pace, will take a ~ long time*). 11. Not less than (played for a ~ hour; *it is three miles ~ from the station*). 12. As ~ as, practically (he as ~ as told me so; as ~ as dead; *it is as ~ as done*); make ~, compensate for, pay (expense), fulfil (promise), effect (purpose), demonstrate (statement), substantiate (charge), gain & hold (position), replace or restore (thing lost or damaged), (without obj.) accomplish what one has attempted. 13. ~ breeding, correct or courteous manners; ~ fellow, sociable person, agreeable companion, ~-fellowship, conviviality, sociability; ~-for-nothing, ~-for-nought, aa. & nn., worthless (person); G ~ FRIDAY; ~ humour, cheerful mood or disposition, amiability, whence ~-humoured² a., ~-humouredly² (-merdli) adv.; ~-look'ing, handsome; ~-looking, of virtuous appearance; ~ looks, personal beauty; ~ luck, being fortunate, happy chance, (often ~ luck to you!, as wish); || ~-man (arch.), head of household, husband, father, etc.; ~ money (vulg.), high wages; || ~-morrow (arch.), = morning; ~ nature, kindly disposition, willingness to postpone one's own interests, whence ~-natured² a., ~-naturedly² adv.; ~-neighbourhood, ~-neighbourliness, ~-neighbourship, friendly conduct; ~ sense, soundness of judgement, practical wisdom; ~ temper, freedom from irritability, whence ~-tempered² a., ~-temperedly² adv.; ~ thing, advantageous bargain or speculation, witty saying, (pl.) dainties; || ~-wife, mistress of house (esp. Sc.). 14. n. Virtuous persons (the ~; & ~ bad alike respect him). 15. What is ~ or beneficial, well-being, profit, benefit, advantage, (is a power for ~; *deceive him for his ~; what ~ will it do?; much ~ may it do you!*, often iron.; *do ~, show kindness to, act philanthropically, be beneficial to or benefit; to the ~, as balance on right side, net profit, something extra, etc.; come to ~, yield ~ result; for ~, for ~ & all, permanently, finally, definitively; be any, some, no, much, ~, be of any etc. use; what is the ~ of it?; what ~ is it?). 16. Desirable end or object, thing worth attaining; no ~, some mischief (is up to, after, no ~). 17. pl. Movable property; merchandise, wares, (piece of ~s, loc., person); || things for transmission by rail etc. (opp. *passengers*; so ~s agent, station, train, etc.; by ~s, by ~s train). Hence ~-ISE²(3) a. [com.-Teut.; OE *gōd* of. G *gut*; perh. f. same root as *GATHER*]. **good-bye'**, int. & n. (Saying of farewell. [contr. of God be with you!, with good substituted on anal. of *good-night* etc.]). **good'ly**, a. Omely, handsome; of considerable size etc.; (iron.) fine, grand, ~-lance n. {OE *gōdlic* (good, -ly)}*

good'ness, *n.* Virtue; positive or comparative excellence; benevolence, kindness, generosity, (*have the ~, be kind enough to*); what is good in thing, its essence or strength; (in exclamations, substituted for) God (*~ gracious I, excl. of surprise or indignation; ~ knows, I do not know, I appeal to Heaven to witness; I wish to ~; thank ~!; for ~' sake*). [OE *gōðnes* (GOOD, -NESS)]

goodwill', *n.* Kindly feeling to person, favour; cheerful acquiescence, heartiness, zeal; privilege granted by seller of business, of trading as recognized successor.

Good'wins, *n. pl.* The ~, the Goodwin sands. [place]

Good'wood, *n.* (Used for) race-meeting on course near ~ Park, Sussex (*~ cup, chief prize at this*). [place]

good'y¹, *n.* (arch.). Elderly woman of lower class (often as prefix to surname). [for *goodwife*, cf. *RUSSY*]

good'y², *n.* A sweetmeat, bonbon. [-Y²]

good'y³, good'y-good'y, *a.* Primly, pretentiously, inopportunist, obtrusively, weakly, or sentimentally virtuous (*talk ~, in ~ manner*). Hence **good'iness** *n.* [-Y³]

goof, *n.* (sl.). Silly or stupid person. Hence *~y¹ a.* (sl.), silly. [cf. dial. *goof* dolt]

goog'ly, *n.* (cricket). Off-break ball bowled with leg-break action. [?]

goosan'der, *n.* Bird allied to duck but with sharp serrated bill. [?]

goose, *n.* (pl. *geese* pr. *gēs*). 1. Kinds of web-footed bird between duck & swan in size, female of this (opp. *GANDER*), its flesh, (*all his geese are swans, he over-estimates; kill the ~ that lays the golden eggs, sacrifice future profit to present necessities*); **COOK¹** person's ~; *say no to ~; sauce for ~ is sauce for GANDER*. 2. Simpleton, whence **goos'er² n.** 3. Tailor's smoothing iron (with handle like ~'s neck; pl. ~s).

4. **FOX¹ & geese**; || ~-club, for providing poor people with Christmas ~ paid for by small instalments; ~-flesh, rough bristling state of skin produced by cold or fright; ~-foot, kinds of plant named from shape of leaves; ~-grass, silverweed, cleavers; ~-herd, one who tends geese; ~-quill, quill-feather of ~ esp. used as pen; ~-skin, = ~-flesh; ~-step, balancing-drill taught to army recruits & much used in German army. [Aryan; OE *gōs*, cf. *Gans*, *L. anser*, *Gk khēn*; *gander* perh. unrelated]

goose'berry (-zb-), *n.* (Edible berry of any thorny species of *Ribes*; wine made of ~ies; *play ~y*, act as chaperon, play propriety, for pair of lovers; ~y-fool². [perh. f. prec.]

goose'gog (-zg-), *n.* (colloq.). Gooseberry. [joc. corruption]

gopher¹. See **GORFEE**.

goph'er², *n.* American burrowing rodent; N. American ground-squirrel; nocturnal

burrowing land-tortoise of Southern U.S. (prob. f. *F gauvre* honeycomb; cf. **GORFEE**)

gōph'er³, *n.* Tree from wood of which Noah's ark was made; (*~wood) tree yielding yellowish timber. [Heb.]

gōr'al, *n.* An Indian antelope. [native name]

gōr'cock, *n.* Male of the red grouse. [etym. of *gor* dub.]

Gōrd'ian, *a.* ~ knot, intricate knot, difficult problem or task, (*cut the ~ knot, solve problem by force or by evading the conditions*). [f. *Gordius*, tier of knot cut by Alexander the Great, +-AN]

gōre¹, *n.* Blood shed & thickened or clotted. Hence **gōr'y² a.**, **gōr'ily² adv.** [OE *gor* dung, dirt, cf. *Du. goor* mud]

gōre² n., & v.t. 1. Wedge-shaped piece of cloth adjusting width of a garment; triangular or lune-shaped piece in umbrella, balloon, dome, globe, etc. 2. v.t. Shape, narrow, with ~. [OE *gdra* triangular piece of land, cogn. w. *gar* spear, w. ref. to shape of spearhead]

gōre³ v.t. Pierce with the horn or (rarely) tusk (also transf. of rocks piercing ship). [perh. f. OE *gar* a spear]

gōrge¹, *n.* (Rhet.) internal throat; what has been swallowed, contents of stomach, (*cast the ~ at, reject with loathing; one's ~ rises at, one is sickened or disgusted by*); (Fortif.) neck of bastion or other outwork, rear entrance to a work; narrow opening, usu. with stream, between hills; solid object meant to be swallowed as bait for fish. [OF, etym. dub.]

gōrge² v.i. & t., & n. 1. Feed greedily; satiate, glut; swallow, devour greedily; fill full, distend, choke up. 2. n. Act of gorging, surfeit. [f. OF *gorger* (pres.)]

gōr'geous (-jus), *a.* Richly coloured, sumptuous, magnificent; (of diction) ornate, dazzling. Hence ~ly¹ adv., ~NESS *n.*, (-jus-). [f. OF *gorgius* finely dressed, etym. dub.]

gōr'gēt¹, *n.* (Hist.) piece of armour for throat, woman's wimple; necklace; patch of colour on throat of bird etc.; ~ patch, distinguishing mark on collar of military uniform. [f. OF *gorgete* (GORGE¹, -er¹)]

gōr'gēt², *n.* (surg.). Channel-shaped steel instrument used in operations for stone etc. [f. *F gorgeret* (GORGE², as tubular)]

Gōr'gō, *n.* (pl. -oes). (Gipsy for) non-gipsy. [Romany]

gōrg'on, *n.* (Gk Myth.) one of three snake-haired women whose looks turned any beholder to stone; terrible or ugly person, repellent woman. Hence **gōrg'on'ian a.** [f. *L. Gorgo-onis* f. *Gk Gorgō-ous* (gorgos terrible)]

gōrg'on'ia, *n.* (pl. -iae, -ias). Sea-fan, kind of polyp. [prec., as hardening in air, +-IA¹]

gōrg'onize, *v.t.* Stare at like gorgon. [-ize]

Gergonzöl'a, n. A rich cheese. [~ in Italy]

gorill'a, n. Large powerful ferocious arboreal anthropoid ape. [Afr. for wild man in Gk account of Hanno's voyage 5th or 6th c. B.C.]

görm'andize, n., & v.i. & t., **gourmandise** (see Ap.), n. 1. Habits of a GOURMAND, indulgence in good eating, gluttony. 2. vb. Eat, devour, voraciously, whence **görm'andizer** n. [vb f. n., f. F *gourmandise* (GOURMAND, -ISE)]

|| **görse**, n. Prickly yellow-flowered shrub, whin, furze. Hence **görs'y'a** a. [OE *gorst* cogn. w. G *gerst*, L *hordeum*, barley]

Görs'edd (-edh), n. Meeting of Welsh bards & druids (esp. as daily preliminary to the *estuddod*). [W. = session]

|| **gösh**, int. (Also *by* ~) by God. [for God]

gös'hawk (-s-h-), n. Kinds of large short-winged hawk. [OE *gös-hafoc* (GOOSE, HAWK)]

Gösh'en, n. Place of light or plenty. [*Gen.* xiv. 10 etc., *Exod.* viii. 22, ix. 26]

gös'ling (-z-), n. Young goose. [LING¹]

gös'pel, n. 1. Glad tidings preached by Christ; religious doctrine of Christ & his apostles, Christian revelation; protestant or evangelical doctrine (opp. *mass*); record of Christ's life in books of four evangelists; any of those books; portion from one of them read at Communion service. 2. Thing that may safely be believed (*takes his dreams for* ~); principle that one acts upon, believes in, or preaches (*the ~ of efficiency, laissez faire, soap & water*). 3. ~book, containing ~s read at Communion; ~ oath, sworn on the ~s; || ~shop, Methodist chapel; ~ side, N. side of altar, at which ~ is read; ~ truth, truths contained in ~, something as true as ~. [OE *godspel* corrupted by confusion w. *God f. god spel* good tidings (GOOD, SPELL¹)]

gös'peller, n. Reader of gospel in Communion service; hot ~, zealous puritan, rabid propagandist. [-ER¹]

Göss, n. Kind of crest china invented by W. H. ~ of Stoke-on-Trent. [person]

göss'amer, n. & a. 1. Light filmy substance, the webs of small spiders, floating in calm air or spread over grass; a thread of this; something filmy; delicate gauze; hence ~ED¹ (-erd), ~Y¹, aa. 2. adj. Light & filmy as ~. [ME *gossomer* perh. = goose-summer or St Martin's summer, i.e. early November when geese were eaten, ~ being most seen then]

göss'ip, n., & v.i. 1. || (Arch.) familiar acquaintance, friend, (esp. of women); idle talker, newsmonger, tattler, (esp. of women); idle talk, groundless rumours, tittle-tattle; easy unconstrained talk or writing esp. about persons or social incidents; hence ~RY(4, 5) n., ~Y¹ a. 2. v.i. Talk idly or lightly, tattle; write in gossip style; hence ~ER¹ n. [earlier

senses, *sponsor, fellow-sponsor, one's child's sponsor, at baptism*; OE *godstibb* person related to one in God (*sibb, sib, akin*)

gossöön', n. (Anglo-Ir.). Lad. [f. F *garçon*]

göt, past & p.p. of GET. ~up, factitious, artificially produced, adorned, etc., with a view to effect or deception.

Göth, n. One of a German tribe who invaded Eastern & Western Empires in 3rd-5th cc. & founded kingdoms in Italy, France, & Spain; rude, uncivilized, or ignorant person, esp. one who destroys works of art (cf. VANDAL), whence ~ISH¹ a. [OE *Gutan* pl. f. LL f. Gk *Gothoi*]

Göt'ham (-tarn), n. Typical foolish town (*wise man of* ~, fool); *colloq.] New York City (*usu. pr. gö'tham*). Hence ~ITE¹(1) n. [perh. f. the village in Notts.]

Göth'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the Goths or their language. 2. (Archit.) in the pointed-arch style prevalent in Western Europe in 12th-16th cc., including in England the Early English, Decorated, & Perpendicular (orig. sense *not classical*). 3. Barbarous, rude, uncouth. 4. (Print., a. & n.) German, also black-letter, (type); hence **Göth'ically** adv., ~ISM(2, 3, 4) n., ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t. 5. n. ~ language; ~ architecture; ~ type. [f. L *Gothicus* (GOTH, -IO)]

gött'en, p.p. (arch., & U.S.) of GET¹.

gouache (göö'ahsh), n. Way of painting in opaque colours ground in water & thickened with gum & honey. [F, f. It. *guazzo*]

Goud'a, n. Flat round cheese made at ~ in Holland. [place]

gouge (gow, göö), n., & v.t. 1. Concave-bladed chisel used in carpentry & surgery. 2. v.t. Cut with ~; cut out (a cork, a channel) (as) with ~; force (out, esp. person's eye with thumb) (as) with ~; force out eye of. [F, f. LL *gubia*]

Goulard' (göö-), n. Lotion of sub-acetate of lead in solution. [T. ~, French surgeon]

goulash (göö'lahsh), n. 1. Highly seasoned stew of steak and vegetables. 2. (Contract Bridge) re-deal of the four hands (unshuffled, but with each hand arranged in suits and order of value). [f. Magyar *gulyás-hús* f. *gulyás* herdsman + *hús* meat]

gourd (görd, goord), n. (Large fleshy fruit of) kinds of trailing or climbing plant; rind of the fruit emptied, dried, & used as bottle etc., whence ~FUL(2) n. [f. F *gourde* f. L *cucurbita*]

gourmand (goorm'and, & see Ap.), a. & n. 1. Gluttonous, fond of eating. 2. n. (Usu. as F) lover of delicate fare, judge of good eating; greedy feeder, glutton. Hence ~ISM(2) (goor-) n. [F, etym. dub.]

gourmandise. See GORMANDIZE.

gourmet (goorm'a), n. Connoisseur of table delicacies, esp. of wine. [F]

gout, *n.* 1. Paroxysmal disease with inflammation of smaller joints, esp. that of great toe, & chalk-stones (*rich, poor, man's* ~, ascribed to over, under, feeding). 2. Wheat-disease caused by ~-fly. 3. Drop, splash, or spot. Hence ~^y *a.* (~ies as *n. pl.*, over-shoes), ~^{ily} *adv.*, ~^{iness} *n.* [f. OF *goute* f. L *gutta* drop w. ref. to medicinal theory of flowing down of humours]

go'vern (gü-), *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Rule with authority, conduct the policy, actions, & affairs, of (State, subject) despotically or constitutionally; regulate proceedings of (corporation etc.); ~ing *body*, managers of hospital, school, etc.; be in military command of (fort, town). 2. Exercise function of government in person (*king reigns but does not* ~, merely selects those who are to ~). 3. Sway, rule, influence, regulate, determine, (person, his acts, course or issue of events); be the predominating influence. 4. Conduct oneself in some way; curb, bridle, (one's passions, oneself). 5. Constitute a law, rule, standard, or principle, for; serve to decide (case). 6. (Gram., esp. of vb or prep.) have (noun, case) depending on it, require (a certain case). Hence ~*ABLE* *a.*, ~*ABILITY* *n.* [f. OF *governer* f. L *gubernare* steer, govern, f. Gk *kubernai* steer]

go'vernance (gü-), *n.* Act, manner, fact, or function, of governing, sway, control. [f. OF *gouvernance* (prec., -ANCE)]

go'verness (gü-), *n.* Female teacher, instructress, esp. of children in private household; || ~*cart* (*l.* light two-wheeled vehicle with side seats face to face. [earlier *governess* f. OF *gouvernesse* (*gouverneur* GOVERNOR, -ESS)]

go'vernment (gü-), *n.* (More modern word for) GOVERNANCE; portion of country ruled by a governor, province; system of governing, form of polity; body or successive bodies of persons governing a State, the State as an agent, an administration or ministry (|| *form a G* ~, of Prime Minister selecting colleagues); (Gram.) relation between GOVERNING & other word; || *G* ~ *house*, official residence of governor; *G* ~ *paper*, securities, bonds, exchequer bills, etc., issued by ~. Hence *go'vernment* *tal* *a.*, *go'vernment* *tal* *adv.*, (gü-). [OF (-ment), see GOVERN, -MENT]

go'vernor (gü-), *n.* 1. One who governs, ruler; official appointed to govern province, town, etc., representative of Crown in dominion (*G* ~ *General*) or colony; executive head of each of U.S.; officer commanding fortress or garrison; head, or one of governing body, of institution; official in charge of prison. 2. One's employer, one's father, sir, (sl.). 3. (Mech.) automatic regulator of supply of gas, steam, water, etc., to machine, ensuring even motion. 4. Kind of fishing-fly.

5. ~ *general*, ~ with deputy ~s under him, whence ~-*général* *SHIP* *n.* Hence ~-*SHIP* (1, 2) *n.* [f. OF *gouverneur* f. L *gubernatorem* (GOVERN, -OR)]

|| **gow'an**, *n.* (Sc.). Daisy. [prob. var. of obs. *golland* & connected w. obs. *gold*, OE *golde*, marigold, perh. f. GOLD]

gowk, *n.* (Dial.) cuckoo; awkward or half-witted person, fool. [f. ON *gauck* cf. G *gauch*]

gown, *n.*, & *v.t.* Loose flowing upper garment, esp. woman's dress (usu. of dress with pretensions to elegance, or in comb. as *tea, dinner, ~*), frock; ancient Roman toga (*arms, gown, war & peace*); official or uniform robe of various shapes worn by alderman, judge, lawyer, clergyman, member of university, college, or school, etc. (*town & ~*, non-members & members of university at Oxf. & Camb.); ~*s* *man*, civilian, member of university; (vb, chiefly in p.p.) attire in ~. [f. OF *goune* f. med. L *gunna* fur garment (in LL = fur)]

Graaf'ian (-rahf-), *a.* ~ follicle, vesicle, one of small sacs in mammal ovary in which ova are matured. [R. de Graaf, Dutch anatomist d. 1673, -IAN]

gräb, *v.t.* & *i.* (-bb-), & *n.* 1. Seize suddenly; appropriate rapaciously; capture, arrest; make snatch at; hence (-)~*b* ^{ER} *n.* 2. *n.* Sudden clutch, grasp, seizure, or attempt to seize; practice of ~ing, rapacious proceedings esp. in politics or commerce; *have the ~* on (sl.), have great advantage of; (Mech.) device or implement for clutching; children's card game. [n. f. vb; cf. MDu. & MLG *grabben*, perh. modification of GRIP]

gräb'ble, *v.i.* Grope about, feel for something; sprawl on all fours (often for something). [prec. + -LE(2)]

gräce, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Pleasing quality, attractiveness, charm, esp. that belonging to elegant proportions or ease & refinement of movement, action, expression, or manner, whence ~*FUL* *a.*, ~*fully* *adv.*, ~*fulness* *n.*, (-sf-). 2. Becomingness, air with which something is done, (*cannot with any ~ ask him; have the ~ to*, do something that decency requires; *with a good ~*, as if willing; *with a bad ~*, reluctantly, ungraciously). 3. Attractive feature, accomplishment, ornament, (*airs & ~s*, behaviour put on with a view to effect or attraction). 4. (Mus.; also ~*note*, ~*notes*) embellishment of extra note(s) not essential to harmony or melody. 5. (Gk Myth.) the *G* ~s, three beautiful goddess sisters, the bestowers of beauty & charm. 6. Favour, benignant regard or its manifestation, on part of superior (be in one's good ~s, enjoy his favour or liking). 7. Unconstrained goodwill as ground of concession (*set of ~* ~, privilege, concession, that cannot be claimed as right, & see below; *by the ~ of God*,

appended to royal titles); boon. 8. || (Univv.) permission of Congregation, also of College or Hall, to take degree, dispensation from statutes. 9. (Theol.) unmerited favour of God, divine regenerating, inspiring, & strengthening influence, condition (also *state of* ~) of being so influenced, divinely given talent etc., (*the* ~ *th year of* ~, with date = A.D.; in *this year of* ~, usu. iron., when Christianity has been so long established). 10. Favour shown by granting delay (*give a day's, year's, etc.*, ~; *days of* ~, time allowed by law for payment of bill of exchange—in Britain three days—or insurance premium after it falls due). 11. Mercy, clemency, (*Act of* ~, formal, esp. general, pardon by Act of Parliament; & see above). 12. Short thanksgiving before or after meal (~*cup*, cup of wine etc. passed round after ~, parting draught). 13. || *His, Her, Your, G~*, forms of address or description for duke, duchess, or archbishop. 14. v.t. Add ~ to, adorn, set off with; confer honour or dignity on, honour with title etc.; do credit to. [f. F *grâce* f. L *gratia* (gratus pleasing, GRATEFUL)]

grâce'lèss (-sl-), a. Unregenerate, depraved, (arch. or joc.); wanting sense of decency, unabashed; without charm or elegance (rare); ~ *florin* (of 1849, on which the letters D.G. were omitted). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

grā'cile, a. Slender; (erron.) gracefully slight. Hence gracil'ITY n., slenderness, (of literary style) unornamented simplicity. [f. L *gracilis* slender]

grā'cious (-shus), a. & int. 1. Agreeable, pleasing, (arch.); kindly, benevolent, courteous, (chiefly poet.); condescending, indulgent & beneficent to inferiors, (of exalted persons, or sarcastic or joc.; esp. as polite epithet of royal or ducal persons or their acts); (of God) dispensing grace, merciful, benignant; hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., (-shus-). 2. int. (Ellipt. for ~ *God, as*) *good ~ I, my ~ I*, excll. of surprise (also in ~ *me I, ~ goodness I*). [OF, f. L *gratiosus* (GRACE, -OSE¹)]

grāc'kle, n. Kinds of bird allied to jackdaw. [ult. f. L *graculus* jackdaw]

gradā'te, v.i. & t. (Cause to) pass by imperceptible degrees from one shade of colour to another; arrange in steps or grades. [back formation f. foll.]

gradā'tion, n. (Usu. pl.) stage(s) of transition or advance; series of degrees in rank, merit, intensity, divergence, etc., (pl.) such degrees; arrangement in such degrees; (Fine arts) insensible passing from one shade, tone, etc., to another; (Philol.) ablaut. Hence ~AL a., ~ALY¹ adv., (-shon-). [f. L *gradatio* (gradus step, -ATION)]

grā'de, n., & v.t. 1. Degree in rank, proficiency, quality, value, etc., class of persons or things alike in these.

2. (Cattle-breeding) variety produced by crossing native stock with superior breed. 3. (Zool.) group supposed to have branched from parent stock at same stage of development. 4. (Philol.) relative position in ablaut-series. 5. Gradient, slope, rate of ascent or descent, (*on the up, down, ~*, rising or falling, lit. & fig.; **make the ~*, succeed). 6. v.t. Arrange in ~s, class, sort; blend so as to affect ~ of; colour with tints passing into each other. 7. Reduce (road, canal, etc.) to easy gradients. 8. (Cattle-breeding) cross with better breed (~ *up*, improve thus). 9. (Philol., in pass.) be changed by ablaut. [vb f. n., F, f. L *gradus* step]

|| **grā'de'ly** (-dlī), a. (obs. exc. dial.). Excellent, thorough; handsome, comely; real, true, proper. [ME *greidhlic* f. ON *greidhlig-r* (*greidh-r*=OE *gerāde* READY, -LY¹)]

grād'ient, n. || Amount of slope, inclination to the horizontal, in road, railway, etc.; proportional rise or fall of thermometer or barometer in passing from one region to another. [perh. formed on GRADE after *quotient*]

grād'in(e) (also -adēn'), n. One of series of low steps or tier of seats; ledge at back of altar. [f. F *gradin* f. It. *gradino* (grado GRADE)]

grād'ūal¹, n. Respond sung between Epistle & Gospel in the service of the Mass. [so called as sung at steps of altar or while deacon mounted ambo; f. med. L *graduale* neut. adj. as n., see foll.]

grād'ūal², a. Taking place by degrees, slowly progressive, not rapid, steep, or abrupt; ~ *psalm*, = song of DEGREES. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *gradualis* (L *gradus* -ds step, -AL)]

grād'ūate¹, n. One who holds academic degree; chemist's graduated measuring-glass. [f. med. L *graduatus* (foll., -ATE²)]

grād'ūate², v.i. & t. Take, admit to (chiefly U.S.), academic degree, (transf.) qualify or perfect oneself as; mark out in degrees or portions; arrange in gradations, apportion incidence of (tax) according to a scale; pass away by degrees, change (intr.) gradually *into*; concentrate (solution) by evaporation. Hence ~'TION, ~'ATOR¹ (1, 2), nn. [f. med. L *graduare* (gradus -ds step), -ATE¹]

grād'us, n. Dictionary of Latin prosody used in schools to help in writing Latin verse. [for ~ *ad Parnassum step* to Parnassus]

Gr(a)'e'cism (grē-), n. A Greek idiom, esp. as imitated in another language; Greek spirit, style, mode of expression, etc., imitation of these. [f. F *grécisme* f. med. L *græcismus* (Græcus GREEK, -ISM)]

Gr(a)'e'cize (grē-), v.t. & i. Give a Greek cast, character, or form, to; favour, imitate, the Greeks. [f. L *græcizare* (prec., -ISM)]

Gr(a)e'co- (grē-), comb. form of *L. Graecus* GREEK, as ~*Roman*. Hence ~*MARIA*(C) n., ~*PHIL* a. & n.

graff' (tō- (tē-), n. (pl. -ti, pr. -tē). Drawing or writing scratched on wall etc., esp. on ancient wall as at Pompeii; decoration by scratches through plaster showing different-coloured under-surface. [It.]

graft' (-ah-), n. & v. t. 1. Shoot or scion inserted in slit of another stock, from which it receives sap; (Surg.) piece of transplanted living tissue; process of ~ing; place where ~ is inserted. 2. v. t. Insert (scion) as ~ (*in, into, on, upon, together*); (fig.) insert or fix *in* or *upon* so as to produce vital or indissoluble union; insert ~(*s*); insert ~(*s*) upon (stock); (Surg.) transplant (living tissue); (Naut.) cover (ring-bolt etc.) with weaving of small cord; ~ing-clay, -wax, composition for covering united parts of ~ & stock. [for earlier *graff* n. & v. f. OF *grafe* f. LL f. Gk *graphion* stylus (*graphō* write), named f. similarity of shape; -t perh. due to use of ~ as p.p. of *graff*, cf. HOIST, BASTE*]

|| **graft'** (-ah-), n. Depth of earth that may be thrown up at once with spade; crescent-bladed spade. [cogn. w. GRAVE*]

***graft'** (-ah-, -ā-), n., & v. l. (colloq.). Illicit spoils in connexion with politics or municipal business, practices intended to secure these; (vb) seek, make, ~, whence ~'ER¹ n. [?]

grail', n. = GRADUAL¹. [f. OF *grail* f. eccl. *L. gradale* var. of *graduale*]

grail', n. (Also *holy* or *saint* ~, or *sangreal*) platter used by Christ at Last Supper, & in which Joseph of Arimathea received his blood at the Cross. [f. OF *grail* f. med. *L. gradalis* cup or platter, etym. dub.; *sangreal* as = blood *real* or *royal* (F *sang*) is erron. division]

grail', n. Comb-maker's file. [f. F *grêle* (*grêler* make thin f. *grêle* adj. f. *L. gracilis*)]

grain, n., & v. t. & i. 1. A fruit or corn of a cereal; (collect. sing.) wheat or the allied food-grasses or their fruit, corn, a particular species of corn; (pl.; also ~s of *Paradise* or *Guinea* ~s) capsules of W.-Afr. plant used as spice & drug; (pl.) refuse malt after brewing or distilling. 2. Small hard particle of sand, gold, SALT, gunpowder (*large, small, ~ powder*), incense, etc. 3. Smallest unit of weight, 1/5760 of lb. Troy, 1/7000 of lb. av., smallest possible quantity (*without a ~ of vanity, love, etc.*). 4. (Hist.) kermes, oochineal, or dye made from either of these (*dye in ~*), dye in kermes, dye in any fast colour, dye in the fibre or thoroughly; *in ~*, thorough, genuine, by nature, downright, indelible; (poet.) dye, colour. 5. Granular texture, roughness of surface, mottling; texture, arrangement & size of constituent particles, in flesh, skin, wood, stone, etc. *Grains* of fibre in wood giving

a pattern, lamination or planes of cleavage in coal, stone, etc.; (fig.) nature, temper, tendency, (*against the ~*, contrary to inclination). 6. ~*leather*, dressed with the ~-side (on which the hair was) out; ~-sick n., cattle-disease, distension of rumen; hence ~'LESS, ~'Y², (-)~ED² (-nd), aa. 7. vb. Form (t. & i.) into ~s; dye in ~; give granular surface to; remove hair from (hides); paint in imitation of ~ of wood or marble; he ~'ER¹(1, 2) n. [OF, f. *L. granum*, & f. *graine* f. pop. *L. grana* collect. fam., c neut. pl. of *L. granum*]

grains (-z), n. Forked fish-spear or harpoon. [orig. pl. of obs. *grain* fork, prong, f. ON *grein* division; now used as sing.]

grallatōr'ial, a. (zool.). Of the *Grallatores* or long-legged wading birds. [f. *L. grallator* stilt-walker (*grallae* stilts)]

gräll'och (-ox, see Ap.), n., & v. t. Dead deer's viscera; (vb) disembowel (deer etc.). [f. Gael. *grealach* intestines]

grām', n. Chick-pea; any pulse used as horse-fodder. [f. Port. *grão* f. *L. granum* grain]

grām'. See GRAMME.

-**grām**, suf. (chiefly) f. Gk *gramma* -idos (*graphō* write, -m) thing written, letter of alphabet, forming nn. (1) prepositional compds f. Gk (*anagram, diagram, epigram*), (2) n. compds (*chronogram, logogram*), (3) compds of numeral with *gramma* or with *grammē* line, where Gk would have -*grammon* neut. adj., (4) the improper compd *telegram* f. adv. *tēle*, suggested by which are (5) the hybrid formation *cablogram*, & the correctly formed *phonogram*.

grām'a, grām'm'a, n. (Also ~ *grass*) kinds of low pasture grass in W. & S.W. parts of U.S. [f. Sp. *grama*]

|| **grām'ar'ye**, n. (arch.). Magic, necromancy. [f. OF *gramaire* learning, GRAMMAR]

|| **grām'er'cy**, int. (arch.). Thank you. [f. OF *grant merci* (God give you) great reward (GRAND, MERCY)]

grāminā'ceous (-shus), **grāmin'eous**, aa. Of, like, grass, grassy. So **grāminiv'orous** a. [f. *L. gramen* -inis grass, -ACEOUS, & *L. graminicus* (-EOUS)]

grām'm'alogue (-ōg), n. (shorthand). Word represented by single sign; letter or character standing for word, logogram. [irreg. f. Gk *gramma* (-GRAM, *logos* word)]

grām'm'ar, n. Art & science dealing with a language's inflexions or other means of showing relation between words as used in speech or writing, & its phonetic system (usu. divided into phonology, acoustics, & syntax; *general, philosophical, or universal* ~, science of the distinctions of thought recognized & variously expressed in the grammatical systems of actual languages; *historical* ~, study of the development of a language's

inflections & syntax; comparative ~, study of the relation between two or more ~s; treatise or book on ~; person's manner of using grammatical forms, speech or writing regarded as good or bad by the rules of ~, what is correct according to those rules; body of forms & usages in a language; elements, rudiments, of an art or science; ~school, || school founded about 16th c. for teaching Latin, of which many are now of the public-school type. Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *grammaire* irreg. f. L f. Gk *grammatikē* (tekhnē art) of letters (*gramma* see -GRAM)]

grammā'ian, n. One versed in grammar, philologist. [f. OF *gramarien* (prec., -IAN)]

grammā'tic'al, a. Of grammar (~al gender, not determined by sex; ~al sense, literal, irrespective of other considerations than the rules of grammar); conforming to the rules of grammar, or to the formal principles of an art, so f. earlier *grammatic* ~IZE(S) v.t. Hence ~ALY² adv. [f. L f. Gk *grammatikos*, see GRAMMAR, + -AL]

grā'mme, **grām**, n. Unit of weight in metric system, weight of cubic centimetre of distilled water at maximum density weighed in vacuo, 15.432 Troy grains; ~centimetre, unit = work done in raising one ~ vertically one centimetre; similarly *gramme'tre*. [F, f. LL f. Gk *gramma* small weight, see -GRAM]

grām'ophōne, n. Phonograph of the kind using flat disks for its reproduction of sound. [irreg. form perh. made by inverting PHONOGRAM]

grām'pus, n. Kinds of blowing spouting blunt-headed dolphin-like cetacean; person who breathes loud. [f. 16th-c. *graudepouse* prob. f. earlier *grapeys* f. OF *grapois* f. L *crassus piscis* fat fish]

grānadill'a, **grē-**, n. Kinds of passion-flower. [Sp., dim. of *granada* pomegranate]

grān'ar'y, n. Storehouse for threshed grain; region producing, & esp. exporting, much corn. [f. L *granarium* (*granum* grain, -ARY²)]

grānd, a. & n. 1. (In official titles) chief over others, of highest rank, (G~ *Almoner*, *Falconer*, etc., holders of old offices still existing; G~ *cross*¹; G~ *Duke*, *Duchess*, ruler of some European States called G~ *Duchy*, also child of Tsar, whence G~ *dūc* AL a.; ~ *duke*, also, Great Horned Owl; G~ *Master*, head of military order of knighthood, head of Freemasons or of one of their provinces, & of Oddfellows etc.; G~ *Signior*, pr. sēn-, G~ *Turk*, Sultan of Turkey; G~ *Vizier*, chief minister of Turkey). 2. (Law) great, principal, (opp. *petty*, *common*; ~ *assize*, *inquest*, *jury*). 3. Of most or great importance (*that is the ~ question*; *made a ~ mistake*); final, summing up minor constituents, (~ *total*; ~ *finale*; *the ~ sum* or

result of his achievements). 4. (Distinguishing parts of large building) main (*the ~ staircase, entrance*, etc.). 5. (In F phrases or imitations) great (~ *army*, G~ *Canal*, G~ *Hotel*; G~ *Fleet*, main British fleet in the war of 1914-18). 6. Conducted with solemnity, splendour, etc.; fine, splendid, gorgeous. 7. Belonging to high society, distinguished, (*do the ~*, put on airs); imposing, impressive, great & handsome. 8. Dignified, lofty, in conception, treatment, or expression (~ *style*, fitted for great subjects); morally imposing, noble, admirable, (*the G~ Old Man* or G.O.M., W. E. Gladstone).

9. Very satisfactory (colloq.; *had a ~ run*; *ground was in ~ condition*). 10. (In names of relationships) in the second degree of ascent or descent (~ *son*, one's child's son; ~ *nephew*, one's nephew's or niece's son; ~ *mother*, ~ *aunt*, one's parent's mother or aunt; so ~ *child*; ~ *daughter*; ~ *father*, ~ *father's clock*, worked by weights in tall wooden case; ~ *mamma*; ~ *mother*, whence ~ *motherly*¹ a., esp. of legislation etc. = excessively PATERNAL; *teach your ~mother to suck eggs*; ~ *mother* v.t., coddle etc., || ~ *mother the cups*, prevent their slipping by wetting the saucers; ~ *niece*; ~ *papa*; ~ *parent*; ~ *sire*, esp. of animal's sire, also = ancestor, old man, & a method of ringing changes on bells; ~ *uncle*).

11. ~ *air*, distinguished appearance; || ~ *committee*, one of two standing committees of House of Commons sessionally appointed to consider Law & Trade Bills; ~ *lodges*; G~ *Monarch*, Louis XIV of France; || G~ *National*, annual steeplechase at Liverpool; ~ *pianoforte*, large horizontal piano; ~ *stand*, principal stand for spectators at races etc.; ~ *tour* (arch.), tour of chief towns etc. of Europe completing education. 12. n. ~ *piano* (upright ~, usu. a large upright piano with all improvements). 13. *A thousand dollars (sl.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF, f. L *grandis* full-grown] **grān'dām(e)**, n. (arch.). Grandmother; (-m only) animal's dam's dam; ancestress; old woman. [f. AF *grand dame* (prec., DAM²)]

grān(d-)'dād, n. (Childish or affectionate for) grandfather. [GRAND, DAD]

grande (see Ap.), fem. of GRAND (~ *toilette* pr. twahlēt', ceremonial costume; ~ *passion* pr. pās'yawh, engrossing love affair). [F]

grāndee', n. Spanish or Portuguese nobleman of highest rank; person of high rank or eminence. [f. Sp. & Port. *grande* GRAND]

grān'deur (-dyer), n. Great power, rank, or eminence; great nobility of character; sublimity, majesty, of appearance or effect; conscious dignity; splendour of living, surroundings, etc. [F (GRAND)]

Grand Guignol (grahn gñyól'), n. Dramatic entertainment in which short pieces often of strongly sensational type are played successively. [name (= Great Punch) of theatre in Paris; F *Guignol* perh. f. *Chignolo* Po in Italy, native place of Italian who introduced puppets at Lyons]

grándil'oquent, a. Pompous in language; given to tall talk. Hence ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [after *eloquent* f. L *grandiloquus* (GRAND, -loquus -speaking f. loqui speak)]

grán'diose, a. Producing, intended or trying to produce, an impression of greatness, planned on a magnificent scale, pompous. Hence **grándios'ity** (-ós') n., ~LY² (-s-) adv. [F, f. It. *grandioso* (GRAND, -ose²)]

Grándisón'ian, a. Marked by stately courtesy & chivalric magnanimity. [Sir C. Grandison in Richardson's novel, -IAN]

gränge (-j), n. || Barn (aroh.); country house with farm-buildings attached. [f. AF *grange* f. med. L *granca* (granum grain)]
grán'gerize (-j-), v.t. Extra-illustrate (book) by inserting prints etc. often out from other books. Hence ~IZA'TION, ~IZER¹, ~ISM(1), ~ITE(1), nn. [J. Granger published 1769 a Hist. of England with blank pages for illustrations]

granif'erous, a. Producing grain or grain-like seed. So **grán'iform**, **graniv'orous**, aa. [f. L *granifer* (GRAIN, -ferous)]

grán'ite, n. Granular crystalline rock of quartz, orthoclase feldspar, & mica, used for building (*bite* on ~, waste pains, persist in vain); ~ware, speckled pottery imitating ~, kind of enamelled ironware; *the ~ city*, Aberdeen. Hence **granit'io** a., **grán'itoid** a. & n., **granit'iform** a. [f. It. *granito* orig. grained (*grano* f. L *granum*)]
grán'om, **grán'am**, n. Kind of water-fly; imitation of it for fly-fishing. [?]

grán'n'y, n. (fam., affectionate, or contempt. for) grandmother; (also ~s bend or knot) reef-knot crossed the wrong way. [prob. f. obs. *grammam* for GRANDAM + -Y²]

gránolith'ic, a. Of a kind of concrete. [L *granum* grain, Gk *lithos* stone, -io]

grant (-ah-), v.t., & n. 1. Consent to fulfil (request etc.; in p.p. formerly common, now rare, as answer to *I beg your pardon*); concede as indulgence, allow (person) to have (thing; noun, *that*, or to do); bestow (possession, right) formally, transfer (property) legally, whence **grante's**, **grantor's**, (-ah-) nn.; concede (proposition) as basis for argument (noun, *this* etc., *that*-clause, or something to be something; *I ~ you*, I admit; *take for ~ed*, assume); hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. ~ing (the ~ or refusal of); formal conferment, legal assignment; thing, esp. sum, ~ed (often capitalization ~, ~-in-aid); conveyance by written instrument. [f. OF *grander* f.

pop. L ⁺*credentare* f. part. of *credere* entrust]

Granth (grünt), n. Sacred scriptures of the Sikhs. [Hindi, = book, code (f. Skr. *grantha* tying, literary composition)]

grán'ül'ar, a. Of, like, grains; with: lated surface or structure. ~Ä'RTY n., ~Ä'RY² adv., ~o-form, ~OUS a. [f. LL *granulum* grain (*granum*, -ULE), -UL-, -AR]

grán'ül'äte, v.t. & i. Form (t. & i.) \ grains; roughen surface of; (of etc.) form small prominences as beginning of healing or junction, heal, join. Hence or cogn. ~ATE² (-at) a., ~Ä'TION, ~ÄTOR²(2), nn. [as prec., -ATE²]

grán'üle, n. Small grain. [as prec.]

gräpe, n. Green or purple berry growing in clusters on vine, eaten as fruit or used in making wine (*the ~, the juice of the ~, wine*; *the ~s are sour*, *sour ~s*, said when person disparages what he vainly desires); ~shot; diseased growth like bunch of ~s on pastern of horse etc., or on pleura; ~brand'y, distilled from ~s, or wine, alone; ~-CURR¹; ~-fruit, kind of small shaddock; ~house, vinery; ~-scissors, for thinning ~-bunches at early stage of growth, also for dividing bunches at table; ~shot, small balls put several together in bag etc. to make scattering charge for cannon; ~-stone, one of seeds inside ~; ~sugar, dextrose or glucose; ~vine, vine, also skating figure in which both feet are on ice together & form interlacing lines. Hence **gräp'ery**(3) n., **gräp'y**² a. [OF, bunch of ~s, prob. f. *graper* gather with vine-hook (*grape* hook ult. f. Teut. cf. OHG *krapfo*)]

gräph¹ (or -ahf), n. Symbolic diagram expressing system of mathematical or chemical connexion. [abbr. of *graphic formula*]

graph² (-ahf), n., & v.t. Gelatine copying apparatus; (v.t.) copy, multiply, with this. [colloq. abbr. of *chromograph*, *hectograph*, etc.]

-graph (-ahf), suf. f. Gk *-graphos*, -written, -writing, -writer, denoting (1) thing written in such a way (f. Gk, as *auto-*, *chiro-*, *helo-*; on Gk st., as *litho-*, *photo-*; & in hybrids, as *picto-*); (2) instrument that records something or by some means (*helo-*, *seismo-*, *tele-*); (3) write in such a way (*calli-*, *hecto-*).

-grapher, suf. repr. Gk *-graphos* & forming nn. denoting one versed in -GRAPHY. [-ER]

gräph'ic(al rare), aa. Of drawing, painting, engraving, etching, etc.; vividly descriptive, lifelike; of writing; (of minerals) showing marks like writing on surface or in fracture; of diagrams or symbolic curves. [f. L f. Gk *graphikos* (*graphō* writing, -io)]

-gräph'ical, suff. = of or by -GRAPHY.

grāph'icallŷ, adv. As in a picture, vividly; by writing; by diagrams or **GRAPH'S**. [-Y¹]

grāph'ite, n. **PLUMBAGO**. Hence **graphit'ic, grāph'itoid, aa.** [f. G *graphit* (Gk *graphō* write, -ITE¹)]

grāph'iŷre, n. S.-Afr. rodent with tail ending in pencil of hairs. [f. Gk *grapheion* pencil, *oura* tail]

graphōl'ogŷ, n. Study of, art of inferring character from, handwriting; system of graphic formulae, notation for **GRAPH'S**. [f. Gk *graphē* writing, -LOGY]

grāph'otype, n. (Process for making) relief block for surface-printing. [as prec. + TYPE]

-grāphŷ, suf. f. Gk *-graphia* forming nn. denoting (1) styles of writing, drawing, etc. (*litho-*, *brachy-*, *steno-*, *calli-*); (2) descriptive science (*geo-*, *biblio-*, *seleno-*).

grāp'nel, n. Iron-clawed instrument thrown with rope to seize object, esp. enemy's ship; small anchor with several flukes used for boats & balloons. [dim. of OF *grapin* (GRAPH)]

grāp'ple, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Clutching-instrument, grapnel. 2. Hold or grip (as) of wrestlers, close contest. 3. vb. Seize, fasten, (as) with grapnel; take hold of, grip, with the hands, come to close quarters with; contend with, together, or abs., in close fight, battle with; ~ with, try to overcome, accomplish, or deal with. [vb f. n. in first sense; second sense of n. f. vb; n. f. OF dim. of *grape* hook]

grāp'pling, n. In vbl senses; also, ~ iron, grapnel. [-ING¹]

grasp (-ah-), v.t. & i., & n. 1. ~ at, try to seize, accept with avidity; clutch at, seize greedily, (part.) avaricious, whence ~ingLY² adv., ~ingNESS n.; hold firmly (~ *nettle*, tackle difficulty or danger boldly), grip; get mental hold of, comprehend; hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. Fast hold, grip, (*within, beyond*, one's ~, close, not close, enough to be ~ed); control, mastery; mental hold, comprehensiveness of mind. [by metath. for *grapsen* cogn. w. **GROPE**, cf. *clean cleanse, & HASP*]

grass (-ah-), n., & v.t. 1. Herbage of which blades or leaves & stalks are eaten by cattle, horses, sheep, etc. (*not let ~ grow, ~ does not grow, under one's feet*, of person who wastes no time in doing something; *hear the ~ grow*, be of preternatural acuteness); any species of this (including in bot. use, excluding in pop. use, the cereals, reeds, & bamboos; usu. with defining words, as *bunch, spear, ~, ~ of Parnassus*); (sl.) asparagus; grazing, pasture, (*be at, go, put, send, turn out, to, ~; at ~, fig.*, out of work, making holiday, etc.; so perh. ~ *widow*, wife whose husband is absent); pasture land; ~ covered ground (*keep off the ~*); (Mining) earth's surface, pit-head; *send, go, to ~,*

knock (person), be knocked or fall, down; ~ *cutler*, Indian domestic servant who collects fodder for horses etc.; ~ *hopper*, kinds of jumping & chirping insect (~ *hopper-beam*, working-beam in engine pivoted at end instead of in middle); ~ *snake*, || common ringed snake; ~ *tree*, kinds of Australasian tree; hence ~LESS, ~Y², aa. 2. v.t. Cover with turf; lay (flax etc.) on ~ to bleach; knock down, fell, (opponent); bring (fish) to bank, (bird by shot) to ground. [com.-Teut.; OE *græs* cf. G *gras*, cogn. w. **GREEN, GROW, & w. L gramen** grass]

grāte¹, n. = GRATING (rare), whence **grāt'ed² a.**; (frame of metal bars for confining fuel in) fireplace or furnace. Hence ~LESS (-tl-) a. [f. med. L f. lt. *grata* f. L *crasis* hurdle]

grāt'e², v.t. & i. Reduce to small particles by rubbing on rough surface, whence (-)~ER¹(2) n.; have irritating effect (*upon*); grind (teeth); rub (l. & t.) with harsh scraping noise *against* or (*upon*) something else; sound harshly or discordantly (*a ~ing laugh, voice*); (of hinge etc.) creak. Hence ~ingLY² adv. [f. OF *grater* f. Teut., cf. G *kratzen* scratch]

grāte'ful (-tŷ-), a. Acceptable, comforting, refreshing; thankful, feeling or showing gratitude (*to* person, *for* thing). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. obs. *grate* adj. f. L *gratus* +FUL]

grāt'ify, v.t. Remunerate, fee, make present usu. of money to; bribe; please, satisfy, oblige, delight, whence ~ING¹ a. (-to), ~ingLY² adv.; please by compliance, assent to wish of, give free course to or indulge (desire, feeling, impulse). So **grātificA'tion** n. [f. L *gratificari* (*gratus* pleasing, -FY)]

gratin (see Ap.), n. Way of cooking, dish cooked, by crumbing bread or grating cheese & cooking between two fires to produce light crust; *au (ô) ~*, so prepared. [F]

grāt'ing, n. Framework of parallel or crossed wooden or metal bars; (Opt.) set of parallel wires, or surface of glass etc. ruled with parallel lines, for producing spectra by diffraction. [GRAT¹ +ING¹]

grāt'is, adv. & a. Gratuitous(ly), (given, done) for nothing, without charge, free. [L, contracted abl. pl. of *gratia* favour]

grāt'itude, n. Being thankful, appreciation of & inclination to return kindness. [f. LL *gratitudo* (*gratus* thankful, -TUDINE)]

grātŷitous, a. Got or given free, not earned or paid for; uncalled for, unwarranted, motiveless, done or acting without good or assignable reason (*a ~ lie or liar*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *gratuitus* spontaneous, cogn. w. *gratia* favour, +OUS]

grātŷ'ity, n. Money present of amount fixed by giver in recognition of an inferior's good offices, tip; bounty to

soldiers etc. on retirement or some other occasions. [f. med. L *gratulus* gift (*gratus* grateful, -TY)]

|| *grāt'ulāte*, -ā'tion. (Arch. for) congr-

|| *grāt'ulātor'y*, n. Expressing joy at another's success etc., complimentary, congratulatory. [f. L *gratulari* congratulate + -ORY]

gravām'ēn, n. (pl. -*mina*, rare). Grievance; || memorial from Lower House of Convocation to Upper on disorders or grievances of Church; essence, worst part, of accusation. [LL, inconvenience (*gravare* to load f. *gravis* heavy, -MEN)]

*grāve*¹, n. Excavation to receive corpse, mound or monument over it, (*secret* as the ~, quite; *make one turn in his ~*, of act etc. that he would have been pained by while alive; *someone walking on my ~*, said when one shivers unaccountably; *one foot¹ in the ~*), whence ~LESS (-VL) a.; being dead, doath, Hades, whence ~WARD (-VW-) adv. & a.; receptacle of or for what is dead (~ of reputations, place where many reputations have been lost); trench for earthing up potatoes etc.; ~clothes, wrappings in which corpse is buried; ~digger, lit., also kinds of insect that bury bodies of insects etc. as food for their larvae; ~stone, stone over ~, inscribed stone at head or foot of ~; ~yard, burial ground. [OE *græf*, (*grafen* GRAVE²)]

*grāve*², v.t. (p.p. ~n, ~d, as stated). (Arch.) bury (~d); (arch.) carve, sculpture, engrave, (material, representation; ~n, ~d; ~n image, idol); (fig.) fix indelibly (on, in, mind etc.; ~n, ~d). [com.-Teut.; OE *grafan*, cf. Du. *graven*, G *graben*, dig; cogn. w. GROOVE]

*grāve*³, a. & n. 1. Important, weighty, needing serious thought; (of faults, difficulties, responsibilities, symptoms) formidable, threatening, serious; dignified, solemn, slow-moving, not gay; sombre, plain, not showy; hence ~LY¹ (-VL) adv. 2. (Of accent) low-pitched, not acute; ~ACCENT¹. 3. n. ~accent. [F, f. L *gravis* heavy, serious]

*grāve*⁴, v.t. Clean (ship's bottom) by burning off accretions & tarring while aground or in graving-dock. [perh. f. OF *grave*=*grève* shore]

grāv'el, n., & v.t. (-IL-). 1. Coarse sand & small water-worn or pounded stones, much used for laying paths & roads; (Geol., Mining) stratum of this, esp. one containing gold (*pay ~*, containing enough gold to yield profit); (Path.) (disease with) aggregations of visible urinary crystals; ~blind, more than SAND-BLIND (Shaks., *M. of V.*, II. ii. 38); hence ~LY² a. 2. v.t. Lay, strew, with ~; perplex, puzzle, non-plus, (f. obs. sense *run aground*). [f. OF (& F in path. sense) *gravelle* slim. of OF *grave* gravel, shore, f. Celt. sl. W *gro*]

grāv'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., burial. [-ER¹]

Graves (grahv), n. Light white wine produced in the ~ district of France. [place] *grāv'id*, a. (literary). Pregnant. [f. L *gravidus* (GRAVE³)]

grāv'it'āte, v.i. & t. Move or tend by force of gravity towards a body; sink (as) by gravity, tend to low level, down; (Diamond-digging) manip (gravel) so that heavy stones sink | to bottom; (transf.) be strongly attracted (wards) some centre of influence. Hence ~A'TION n., ~ā'tional (-shon-), ~ATIVE, aa. [f. mod. L *gravitare* (GRAVE³), -ATE³]

grāv'ity, n. 1. Being grave, solemnity; importance, seriousness; staidness, sobriety, serious demeanour. 2. Weight (CENTRE¹ of ~; specific ~, relative weight of any kind of matter, expressed by ratio of given volume to same volume of a standard—usu. water for liquid or solid, & air for gas). 3. Attractive force by which bodies tend to centre of earth, degree of intensity of this measured by acceleration, degree of intensity with which any body is similarly attracted by any other. [f. L *gravitas* (GRAVE³), -TY]

*grāvūre*¹, n. (Short for) PHOTOGRAVURE.

grāv'y, n. Juices that exude from flesh during & after cooking; dressing for food made from these with other materials; ~boat, boat-shaped vessel for ~; ~beef, part of leg of beef cooked for its ~. [etym. dub.; perh. a misreading as *gravel* of *grand* in OF cookery books, cf. OF *grain* anything used in cookery]

gray. See GREY.

gray'ling, n. Silver-gray freshwater fish with long high dorsal fin; butterfly with grey under-side to wings. [GREY + LING¹]

*grāz'e*¹, v.i. & t. Feed (esp. cattle, or intr. of cattle) on growing grass etc. or ~ING¹(3) n.; feed on (grass etc., often down); tend ~ing cattle; pasture cattle. [OE *grasian* (GRASS n.)]

*grāz'e*², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Touch lightly in passing; abrade (skin etc.) in rubbing past; suffer slight abrasion of (part of body); go with passing contact *against, along, through, by, past*, etc. 2. n. ~ing abrasion. [etym. dub.; perh. by transf. f. prec., cf. shave]

grā'zier (-zher), n. One who feeds cattle for market. Hence *grā'zier*(2) (-zher) n. [GRASS + IER]

*grease*¹ (-ss), n. Fat of deer or other game (in ~, in *pride* or *prime* of ~, fit for killing, fat); melted fat of dead animals, esp. when soft; oily or fatty matter, esp. as lubricant; oily matter in wool, uncleaned wool, (*wool in the ~*, in fleeces); disease in horses' heels; ~box, attached to train-wheel for lubrication; ~paint, composition for painting actors' faces; ~trap, appliance for catching ~ in drains. [f. OF *grassee* (L *crassus* a. fat)]

grease² (-əm), v.t. Anoint, soil, or lubricate, with grease (~ the wheels, make affairs go smoothly, esp. by money; ~ palm of, bribe; like ~d lightning, sl., very fast); affect (horse) with grease. [f. prec.]

greas'er (-z-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: head fireman on steamer; *(sl.) native Mexican or Spanish-American. [-ER¹]

greas'y (-z-), a. Smeared or covered with, containing, made of, like, with too much, grease; (of wool) uncleansed; (of horse) affected with the grease; slimy with mud or moisture; (of manners or expression) disagreeably unctuous; ~y frillulary, kind of butterfly; ~y pole, greased for climbing or walking on in sports. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n., (-z-). [-Y²]

great (grät), a. & n. 1. Large, big, (usu. with implied surprise, contempt, indignation, etc., as made a ~ blot, look at that ~ toad; often colloq. preceding other adj., a ~ big loaf or thick stick; as distinctive epithet of the larger species or individual, as ~ A, Z, the capital letters, G~ St John's wort, also G~er Celadine etc., G~ Titmouse, G~ BEAR¹, G~ Malvern etc., G~ Portland Street; also in a few phrases, as a ~ DEAL¹, MANY; the ~ majority, much the larger part; ~est common MEASURE, lived to a ~ age, a ~ while ago; || ~ with child, arch., pregnant). 2. Beyond the ordinary (take ~ care; of ~ popularity; shows ~ ignorance). 3. Important, elevated, distinguished, critical, the chief, pre-eminent, (it is a ~ thing to have —; a ~ occasion; the ~ attraction; the G~ Powers of Europe, chief States; the ~ world, high society; in excl., as G~ God!, Caesar!, Scott!; the G~, appended in sense the best known of the name, as Alexander the G~, or prefixed in titles, as the G~ King, of ancient Persia, the G~ Mogul, etc., & burlesqued in the G~ || UNPAID, UNWASHED). 4. Of remarkable ability, genius, intellectual or practical qualities, loftiness or integrity of character, (a ~ judge, painter, etc.; the truly ~ man; ~ thoughts), whence ~hearted² a. 5. pred. Having much skill at or information on; highly satisfactory (wouldn't it be ~ if —?). 6. Fully deserving the name of, (with agent-nouns) doing the act much or on a large scale, (a ~ surrounded, flasco; ~ friends; is a ~ dancer, landowner). 7. (Prefixed once or more to uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, & kinship words compounded with GRAND) one degree further removed upwards or downwards. 8. G~ Assize, Day, or Inquest, Day of Judgement; G~ Bible, Coverdale's Version 1539; G~ BRITAIN, CHARTER, CIRCLE¹; || ~COAT¹, whence ~coat'ed², ~coat'LESS, aa.; the ~ COM-MONER; G~er BRITAIN; ~est happiness of the ~est number, test principle of Benthamism; || ~go, final examination for B.A. at Cambridge, cf. greats below; ~ gross,

twelve gross; ~ house, chief house in village etc.; ~ organ, chief manual with its related pipes and mechanism in an organ having two or more manuals; ~ PRIMER; ~ toe, now usu. BIG toe; G~ War (of 1914-18). Hence ~EN⁴ v.t. & i. (arch.), ~NESS n., (-ät-). 9. n. (Abs. use of adj.) the ~, (pl.) ~ persons (also without the in ~ & small); (sing.) what is ~. 10. || ~s, Oxford B.A. final examination, esp. that for honours in Lit. Hum. [com.-WG; OE great cf. G gross, Du. groot]

great'ly (-rät-), adv. Much, by much, (usu. with vbs, participles, or comparatives; ~ esteemed, superior; should ~ prefer); nobly, loftily. [-LY²]

greave, n. (usu. pl.). Piece(s) of armour for shin(s). [f. OE greve shin, greave, etym. dub.]

greaves (-vz), n. pl. Fibrous tallow refuse, used as food of dog etc. or fish-bait. [f. LG greven pl.]

grêbe, n. Kinds of short-bodied lobe-footed almost tailless diving bird; its plumage as trimming. [f. F grêbe etym. dub.]

Gréc'ian (-shn), a. & n. 1. Greek (rare except of architecture & facial outline; also in || ~ bend, affected attitude in walking prevalent c. 1870, ~ gift, = GREEK gift, || ~ knot, way of dressing woman's hair at back of head, ~ nose, straight & continuing forehead line without dip, ~ profile, with ~ nose, || ~ slippers, trade name for oriental shape). 2. n. Greek scholar; || boy of highest class at Christ's Hospital. [f. L Graecia Greece + AN]

Grecism, Grecize, Greco-. See Grae-. **greed**, n. Insatiate longing esp. for wealth. [back formation f. foll.]

greed'y, a. Ravenous, voracious, gluttonous, avaricious, covetous, rapacious, (often of); eager, keen, intensely desirous (to do). Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [OE grædig cf. OHG grätig, cogn. w. Skr. grāh be greedy]

Greek, n. & a. 1. Native of Greece, member of ~ race, (when ~ meets ~, then comes the tug of war, orig. ~s joined ~s, then was, said of equal encounter); member of ~ Church; cunning person, sharper; the ~ language (~ to me, beyond my comprehension), whence ~LESS a. 2. adj. Of Greece or its people, Hellenic; of, according to, written or spoken in, ~ (~ Fathers, FATHER'S of the Church who wrote in ~); ~ Church, also Orthodox or Eastern, Church acknowledging Patriarch of Constantinople, divided from Rome in 9th c., & including esp. Christians of Greece, Russia, & Turkish Empire; ~ CALEND, FIRE¹, FEET¹ or key; ~ CROSS¹; ~ gift, one given with intent to harm (Virg. Aen. II. 49). [adj. f. n.; OE Græcus pl. f. L Græcus f. Gk Græko¹ prehistoric name of Hellenes]

green¹, a. & n. 1. Of the colour between blue & yellow in the spectrum, coloured like grass, sea-water, emerald, olive, etc. 2. Covered with herbage, verdant, in leaf, (a ~ Christmas, season, Yule, mild, without snow). 3. (Of complexion) pale, sickly-hued, (~ eye, jealousy, whence ~eyed² (-id) a.; ~ jaundice, kind in which patient's skin is ~); (fig.) jealous, envious. 4. Vegetable (~ food, MEAT). 5. (Of fruit etc.) unripe, young & tender, flourishing, not dried. 6. Full of vitality, not withered or worn out, (in the ~, dry, tree, under good, bad, conditions; a ~ old age). 7. Immature, undeveloped, inexperienced, gullible. 8. Not dried, seasoned, or tanned. 9. Fresh, not healed, (a ~ wound). 10. *~back, U.S. legal-tender note, note issued by any U.S. national bank; ~blind, having retina insensitive to ~ rays; ~book, official publication of Indian Government; ~cheese, unripened cheese, whey cheese, cheese coloured ~ with sage; (Board of) G~ Cloth, Lord Steward's department of Royal Household; ~crop, used for food in ~ state (opp. hay etc.); || ~drake, mayfly; ~earth, hydrous silicate of potassium, iron, & other bases; ~fat, of turtle, esteemed by epicures; ~finch or ~linnet, bird with gold & ~ plumage; || ~fingers (colloq.), skill in gardening; || ~fly, kind of aphid; ~gage, roundish ~ fine-flavoured plum (Sir W. Gage c. 1725); ~goose, killed under four months old and eaten without stuffing; ~grocery, (business of, things sold by) retail dealer in fruit & vegetables; ~heart, a British Guiana timber tree; ~horn, ignoramus, raw hand, simpleton; ~house, of glass for rearing delicate plants; ~man, golf-course keeper; ~manure, growing plants ploughed into soil; || ~peak, G~ Woodpecker (transl. of It. *picchio verde*); ~room, accommodating actors & actresses when off stage; ~sand, = ~earth, kind of sandstone largely of this earth, stratum largely of this sandstone; ~shank, large kind of sandpiper; ~sick(ness), (affected with) CHLOROSIS; ~stick, bone-fracture, esp. in children, in which one side of bone is broken & one only bent; ~stone, kinds of ~ eruptive rock containing feldspar & hornblende, also kind of jade; ~stuff, vegetation, ~vegetables; ~sward, turf; ~table, gaming table; ~tail, granom; ~tea, made from steam-dried leaves; ~weed, kind of gonista used for dyeing; ~wood, woodlands in summer, esp. as scene of outlaw life; || ~yard, enclosure for stray beasts, pound; hence ~ISH¹(2), & (in comb. as ~y-yellow) ~Y¹, a., ~Y² adv., ~NESS n. 11. n. What is ~, ~part of anything, ~colour, (do you see any ~, i.e. sign of gullibility, in my eye?); ~dye (usu. with epithet, as mineral, Paris, ~). 12. Vigour, youth, virility, (usu. in the

~). 13. Verdure, vegetation, also ~NEY n. 14. || (pl.). ~vegetables before or after cooking. 15. Piece of public or common grassy land; grass-plot used for special purpose (esp. in comb. as bleaching, bowling, putting, ~). [OE *grēne* cf. Du. *groen*, G *grün*, cogn. w. GROW] **green²**, v.i. & t. Become green, (esp. with verdure; dye green, soil etc. with green; (sl.) hoar, take in. [OE *grēnian* (prod.)] **green'er**, n. (sl.). Raw hand, esp. newly arrived foreigner seeking work. [-ER¹] **green'ing**, n. Kind of apple, green when ripe. [-ING¹] **green'let**, n. = VIREO. [GREEN¹, -LET] **greenth**, n. (rare). Verdure. [-TH¹] **Greenwich** (grin'ij), n. Town in Kent with State observatory (~time, mean time for meridian of ~, standard time in Britain & some other countries); ~Hospital, formerly used to accommodate old and disabled navy seamen (who are now out-pensioners), later occupied by the Royal Naval College for officer students. **greet¹**, v.t. Accost with salutation; salute with words or gestures, receive on meeting or arrival with speech or action (friendly or not); (of choirs etc.) hail; (of sight etc.) meet (eye, ear). Hence ~ING¹ n. [com.-WG; OE *grētan*, cf. Du. *groeten*, G *grüssen*, etym. dub.] || **greet²**, v.i. (Sc.). Woep. [OE *grētan* & *grēotan*] **grēf'ler**, n. Registrar, notary, (esp. in foreign countries & Channel Islands). [F (*greffe* = OF *grafe* GRAFT¹, -IER)] **grēgar'ious**, a. Living in flocks or communities; fond of company; (Bot.) growing in clusters; of flocks, of crowds. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *gregarius* (*grex* = *egis* flock, -ARY¹ + -OUS)] **grege** (-āzh), a. & n. (Of) colour between grey & beige. [portmanteau wd] **Grēgor'ian**, a. & n. 1. Of, according to, the plain-chant or plain-song ritual music named after Pope Gregory I (n., a ~chant); ~tones, eight plain-song melodies prescribed for psalms in R.C. Ch. 2. Established by Pope Gregory XIII (~CALENDAR, correction 1582 of the Julian; ~style = new STYLE¹; ~epoch, from 1582). [f. LL f. Gk *Grēgorios* Gregory + -AN] **grēg'ory-powd'er**, n. Compound powder of rhubarb, used as aperient. [J. Gregory, Scottish physician d. 1822] **grēm'ial**, n. Silk apron placed on bishop's lap at some ceremonies. [f. LL *gremialis* (L *gremium* lap, -AL)] || **grēm'in**, n. (R.A.F. sl.). Mischievous sprite alleged to cause mishaps. [?] **grēnāde**, n. Small explosive shell thrown by hand or (rifle ~) shot from rifle-barrel; glass receptacle thrown to dispense chemicals for testing drains, extinguishing fires, etc. [F, f. Sp. *granada* POMERANACEAE]

grénadier', n. 1. (Orig.) soldier who threw grenades; (now) || *G-s* or *G~* *Guards*, first regiment of household infantry. 2. S.-Afr. weaver-bird with red & black plumage. [F (prec., -IER)]

grén'adine', n. Dish of veal or poultry fillets, trimmed, larded, & glazed. [f. F *grenadin* perh. f. *grain*, see *GRAVY*]

grén'adine', n. Dress-fabric of open silk or silk & wool. [F, perh. f. *Granada* Spanish city]

grén'adine' (-én), n. French cordial syrup of pomegranate. [see *POMEGRANATE*]

gréssor'ial, a. (zool.). Walking, adapted for walking. [f. L *gradi gress-* walk, -or', -IAL]

grew. See *GROW*.

grey (grā), (esp. U.S.) *gray*, a. & n., & v.i. & t. 1. Intermediate between black & white, coloured like ashes or lead, (~ *monk*, Cistercian; ~ *friar*, Franciscan; ~ *sister*, of third order of St Francis; ~ *eye*, with ~ *iris*; ~ *mare is better horse*, wife rules husband); between light & dark, dull, clouded, depressing, dismal; (of person or his hair) turning white with age etc.; ancient, immemorial; belonging to old age, experienced, mature; ~ *crow* or ~ *back*, hooded crow; ~ *beard*, old man, large stoneware jug for spirit, || kind of lichen; || ~ *coat*, Cumberland yeoman; || ~ *drake*, kind of ephemera; ~ *goose*, *GREYLAG*; ~ *headed*, old, of long service in, ancient, time-worn; ~ *hen*, female of black grouse (cf. *BLACK¹-cock*); ~ *matter*, material of active part of brain; ~ *stone*, ~ volcanic rock; hence ~ *ISH¹(2)* a., ~ *LY¹* adv., ~ *NESS* n., (grā-). 2. n. ~ clothes; cold sunless light; ~ colour; ~ pigment; ~ horse (*the Greys* or *Scots Greys*, 2nd Dragoons). 3. vb. Become, make, ~; (Photog.) dull surface of (glass), give mezzotint effect to (photograph) by covering negative with such glass. [OE *græg*, cf. Du. *grauw*, G *grau*]

|| **grey'cing** (grā-), n. (colloq.). Greyhound-racing. [abbr.]

grey'hound (grā-), n. Slender long-legged keen-sighted swift dog used in coursing hares etc. (*ocean* ~, swift ship); ~ *racing*, modern sport in which mechanical hare is coursed by ~s as opportunity for betting. [OE *grighund* (*grig-* etym. dub., not connected w. *GREY*)]

grey'lāg (gōse) (grā-), n. Common European wild goose. [*lag* said to refer to its staying long in England for a migrant]

grey'wacke (grā'wāke, or -āk), n. A conglomerate rock consisting of rounded pebbles and sand cemented together. [anglicized f. G *grauwacke* (*grau* grey + *wacke*)]

grid, n. Frame of spaced parallel bars, grating. (Electr.) wire network between filament and plate of valve; system of numbered squares printed on nil etc. map and forming basis of

references; network of lines, railways, electric-power connexions, etc.; gridiron (for cooking, & docking). [back formation f. *GRIDIRON*]

grid'dle, n., & v.t. Circular iron plate for baking cakes on; miner's wire-bottomed screen (vb, screen with ~). [prob. f. OF *grēdū* (cf. 16th-c. Norman *grēdū* gridiron) perh. f. L *craticula* (cratis hurdle, -CULE)]

gride, v.i., & n. Cut, scrape, along, through, etc., with strident or grating sound. (also ~ *s its way*); (n.) grating sound. [orig. sense *pierce*, prob. by metath. f. *GIRD¹*]

grid'iron (-īrn), n. Bared metal cooking utensil for broiling; (Naut.) frame of parallel beams for supporting ship in dock; (Theatr.) plank structure over stage supporting mechanism for drop-scenes etc.; a naval evolution; (also ~ *pendulum*) compensation pendulum with parallel rods of different metals. [earlier *grēdre* prob. = *GRIDDLE*, later confused w. *iron*, cf. *ANDIRON*]

grief, n. Deep or violent sorrow, keen regret, (come to ~, meet with disaster, fall, fall). [OF (*grever* *GREIVE*)]

griev'ance, n. Real or fancied ground of complaint. [f. OF *grevance* (prec., -ANCE)]

grieve', v.t. & i. Give deep sorrow to; feel grief (*at, for, about, over*). [f. F *grever* f. L *gravare* (*gravis* heavy)]

grieve', n. (So.). Farm-bailiff, overseer. [f. OE *grefa*; see *REEVE¹*]

griev'ous, a. Bringing serious trouble, injurious; (of pain etc.) severe; flagrant, heinous; exciting grief. Hence ~ *LY¹* adv. [f. OF *grevos* (*GREIVE¹*, -OUS)]

griff'in, n. (Anglo-Ind.). (Also *griff*) newly arrived European, novice, greenhorn. Hence ~ *AGE(2)*, ~ *HOOD*, ~ *SHIP*, nn., ~ *ISH¹* a. [f.]

griff'in, *griff'on*, *grýph'on*, n. Fabulous creature with eagle's head & wings & lion's body; || *the Griffin*, monument on site of Temple Bar, London; (-*fon*) kind of vulture (also ~ *-vulture*). [f. OF *grifon* (L *gryphus* f. Gk *grups*, -oos)]

griff'on, n. Kind of foreign coarse-haired terrier-like dog. [F, perh. = prec.]

grig, n. || Small eel; grasshopper or cricket (*merry, lively, as a*; ~ sense cricket doubtful, perh. invented to account for phrase). [f.]

grill, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Broil (t. & i.) on gridiron (also fig. of torture or great heat), whence ~ *ER¹* (1, 2) n.; ~ *subject to severe questioning* (esp. by police); scallop (oysters etc.). 2. n. ~ *ed food*; (also ~ *room*) room where steaks etc. are ~ *ed* & served. [f. F *griller* (foll.)]

grill, n. Gridiron. [f. F *gril* (OF *grail* perh. as *GRIDIRON*)]

grill'age, n. Heavy framework of cross-timbering as foundation for building in treacherous soil. [F (foll., -AGE)]

grille, *grill*, n. Grating, lattice screen, esp. in door for observing others, in

convent separating nuns from visitors, formerly in front of ladies' gallery in House of Commons, etc.; (Tennis) square opening in wall; spawn-hatching frame. Hence **grillu**¹ (-ld) a. [F (-e), as **GRIDDLE**]

grilse, n. Young salmon that has been only once to the sea. [from 15th c.; etym. dub.]

grim, a. (-mm-). Stern, unrelenting, merciless, severe; of forbidding or harsh aspect (often of death; *hold on like ~ death*, tight); sinister, ghastly, unmirthful, (*has a ~ truth in it*; a ~ smile; ~ laughter, pastime, etc.). Hence ~**LY**¹ adv., ~**NESS** n. [cf. G *grimm*, also obs. *grame* angry]

grimace¹, n., & v.t. 1. Wry face expressing annoyance etc. or meant to raise a laugh; affected look; use of such looks, affectation. 2. v.t. Make wry face. Hence or cogn. **grimacer**¹, **grimacer**, nn. [F, etym. dub.]

grimal'kin (-awl-, -äl-), n. Old she-cat; spiteful old woman. [prob. f. *grey* + *Malkin* (*Matilda*, -kin)]

grime, n., & v.t. 1. Soot, dirt, ingrained in some surface, esp. the skin; hence **grim'y**¹ a., **grim'iness** n. 2. v.t. Blacken, befoul. [cf. Flem. *grijm(en)*]

Grimm's law. See **LAW**¹.

grin, v.t. & t. (-nn-), & n. 1. Show teeth in sign of pain or in forced or unrestrained or stupid smile (often at; ~ & bear it, take pain etc. stoically; ~ like *Cheshire cat*, constantly & meaninglessly; ~ through horse-collar, in grimacing-match at rustic sports); express (contempt, satisfaction) by ~ning. 2. n. Act of ~ning (often on the ~ or broad ~). [OE *grennian* cf. OHG *grennan* mutter]

grind, v.t. & i. (*ground*), & n. 1. Reduce to small particles or powder by crushing between mill-stones, teeth, etc. (often down, small, to pieces, into dust, etc.); (quasi-pass.) admit of being ground (*will not ~ fine*); oppress, harass with exactions, (often down; a ~ing tyranny; also ~ the faces of the poor etc.); produce (flour) by ~ing; sharpen or smooth by friction (*has an AXE to ~*; ~ lenses, diamonds, etc.); work (hand-mill); turn handle of (hurdy-gurdy; also abs.); produce, bring out, (music) from hurdy-gurdy; toll monotonously, study hard; teach (subject, pupil in it) laboriously; rub (t. & i.) gratingly on, into, or against (*ground his heel into it*; *sheep was ~ing on rocks*), rub (teeth) hard together (~ out on oath, utter while ~ing teeth); ~stone, thick revolving stone disk for ~ing, sharpening, & polishing (*hold, keep, one's nose to the ~stone*, make him work incessantly), kind of stone used for these. 2. n. ~ing; hard monotonous work or task; ~ walk for exercise; steeplechase; ~ (at Cambridge) a ferry. [only in E & in Am. *grinden*; perh. cogn. w. L *frondere* 'snatch teeth']

grin'der, n. Molar tooth; grinding-machine; upper mill-stone; person who grinds (esp. in comb. as *organ, knife*, ~); ~ crammer. [~**ER**¹]

grin'dery, n. ~ Cobblers' material, of all kinds. [GRIND, -ERY; perh. extended f. the cobbler's whetstone]

grin'gō (-ngg-), n. (Spanish-America; pl. -os). Foreigner (esp. an Anglo-American). [Mex. Sp.]

grip¹, n. Firm hold, tight grasp or (at, come to, ~s, close combat), grasp; power; way of clasping hands; way of grasping or holding (*overlapping ~*); control, mastery, intellectual hold; power of arresting attention; part in machinery etc. that clips, part of weapon etc. that is held; = ***GRIP**¹sack; ~brake, worked by gripping with hand. [f. OE *gripe* grasp & *gripa* handful, both f. root of **GRIPS**]

grip², v.t. & i. (-pp-). Seize, grasp, or hold, tightly; take firm hold; compel attention of; *~sack, handbag. Hence ~**PER**¹(2) n. [cf. MHG *gripen*; cogn. w. **GRIPS**]

|| **grip**³, n. Small open ditch. [OE *grype* cogn. w. *grecp* burrow]

gripe, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Clutch, grip; oppress, pinch; affect with colic pains; (Naut.) secure with ~s, (of ship) come up into wind in spite of helm. 2. n. Act of gripping, clutch; hold, control, (in the ~ of); (pl.) colic pains; handle of implement or weapon; (Naut., pl.) lashings securing boat in its place; ~water, horse-medicine for colic. [com.-Teut.; OE *gripan*, cf. Du. *grijpen*, G *greifen*]

grippe, n. Influenza. [F]

grisaille¹ (-zäl, & see Ap.), n. Method of decorative painting, stained-glass window etc., in grey monochrome representing objects in relief. [F (*gris* grey f. OHG *grīs*)]

gris'éous (-z-), a. (bot., zool.). Bluish or pearl grey. [f. med. L *griseus* (prec.), -ous]

grisette¹ (-z-), n. French working-class girl (formerly dressed in grey). [F (*gris* see **GRISAILLE**, -ETTE)]

|| **gris'kin**, n. Lean part of loin of bacon pig. [perh. f. obs. *grice* f. ON *griss* young pig + -kin]

gris'ly (-z-), a. Causing horror, terror, or superstitious dread. [OE *grislic*; cf. obs. *grise* to shudder]

grist¹, n. Corn for grinding (*brings ~ to the mill*, is profitable; *all is ~ that comes to his mill*, he utilizes everything); malt crushed for brewing. [OE *grist* (GRIND, cf. **BLAST** f. **BLOW**)]

grist², n. Size or thickness of yarn or rope. [perh. cogn. w. **GRD**¹]

gristle (-al), n. Whitish tough flexible tissue in vertebrates, cartilage, (in the ~, immature -infants having ~ for bone). Hence **grist'ly**¹ (-al) a. [OE, cf. OFris. & MLG *gristel*, etym. dub.]

grit¹, n. Small particles of stone or sand, esp. as causing discomfort or clogging machinery etc., whence ~t'y² a., ~t'i-ness n.; (also ~stone) coarse sandstone; grain or texture of stone; (colloq.) strength of character, pluck, endurance. [OE *grēot*, cf. G *griss*]

grit², v.i. & t. (-tt-). Produce, move with, grating sound; grind (teeth). [f. prec.]

grits, n. pl. Husked but unground oats; coarse oatmeal. [OE *grytt(e)*, cf. G *grütze*, cogn. w. GROATS]

griz'zle, v.i. (colloq.). (Esp. of children) whimper, cry fretfully. [etym. dub.]

griz'zled (-zeld), a. Grey(-haired). [f. obs. *grizzle* grey, grey hair, + ED²]

grizz'ly, a. & n. 1. Grey, greyish, grey-haired, (~ bear, large fierce N.-Amer. kind); ~ king, queen, fishing-flies. 2. n. ~ bear. [prec., -y²]

groan, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) deep inarticulate sound expressing pain, grief, or disapproval (~ inwardly, be distressed); utter with ~s (often out); be oppressed or loaded under, beneath, with, (~ under injustice; shelf ~s with books; ~ing board, well-loaded table); long for; ~ down, silence (speaker) with ~s. Hence ~'ing-ly² adv. [OE *grānian* cogn. w. GRIN]

groat, n. (hist.). Silver coin = 4d. issued 1351-1662 (occasionally used of the fourpenny piece 1836-56); small sum (*don't care a ~*). [f. MDu. *groot* orig. great, in sense *thick* (penny), cf. GROSHEN]

groats, n. pl. Hulled (sometimes also crushed) grain, esp. oats. [cogn. w. obs. OE *grot* fragment & GRITS]

Grōb'ian, n. Clownish slovenly person. [G, f. mod. L *Grobianus* used as typical name]

grō'cer, n. Dealer in spices, dried fruits, sugar, & miscellaneous domestic stores (~s *itch*, eczema caused by handling sugar). Hence grō'cery(2, & usu. pl., 1) n. [orig. one who sells in the gross, f. OF *grossier* f. med. L *grossarius* (GROSS, -ARY¹)]

grōg, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Drink of spirit & water; social meeting with ~; ~blossom, pimple or redness on nose from intemperance. 2. vb. Drink ~; extract spirit from (empty cask) by pouring in hot water. [perh. short for GROGRAM, nickname (from his cloak) of Adm. Vernon, who first had ~ served out instead of neat rum]

grōgg'ly (-g-), a. Drunk(en); bibulous; (of horse) weak in forelegs, tottering; unsteady, shaky. Hence ~iness n. [-y²]

grōg'ram, n. Coarse fabric of silk, mohair & wool, or these mixed, often stiffened with gum. [f. F *gros grain* large grain]

groin¹, n., & v.t. 1. Depression between belly & thigh. 2. (Archit.) edge formed by intersecting vaults, fillet covering this, (vb, build with ~s), whence ~ing²(6) n.

[earlier *grynde* etym. dub.; cf. OE *grynde* abyss, cogn. w. GROUND]

'groin². Var. of GROYN.

Grōl'ier, n. ~ binding (In the highly ornate style introduced by Jean ~ de Servin, Vicomte d'Aiguisy (d. 1565), French book-collector).

***grōm(m)'ēt**. See GRUMMET.

grōm'well, n. Kinds of plant with stony seeds formerly used in medicine. [f. OF *gromil* etym. dub.]

grōōm, n., & v.t. 1. || One of certain officers of Royal Household (*G~ of the stole*, in waiting, etc.). 2. Servant having care of horses (vb, curry, feed, tend, etc.; also in p.p. of persons, as *well~ed*, neatly got up, esp. with well-trimmed hair, beard, etc.). 3. Bridegroom; ~s'man, unmarried friend officially attending bridegroom at wedding. [perh. shortened f. OF *gromet* (also GOURMET) servant, etym. dub.]

grōōve, n., & v.t. 1. Channel or hollow, esp. one made to direct motion or receive corresponding ridge (vb, make ~ or ~s in). 2. Piece of routine, undeviating course, rut, whence grōōv'y² a., grōōv'i-ness n. [f. Du. *groete* furrow, cf. G *grube* pit, cogn. w. GRAVE¹]

grōpe, v.i. Feel about as in dark (*for, after*, or abs.), search blindly (lit. & fig.); ~ one's way, find it by feeling, proceed tentatively. Hence grōp'ing-ly² adv. [OE *grāpian* (*grāp* a grasp) cogn. w. GRIP]

grōs'beak, n. Kinds of small bird with large strong beak, esp. the hawfinch. [f. F *grosbec* (GROSS², BEAK¹)]

grō'schen (-ōshn), n. Small obsolete silver German coin. [G]

gros de Naples (grō'denah'pl), n. Heavy silk fabric. [F (*gros* GROSS², *Naples*)]

grōss¹, n. (pl. *gross*). Twelve dozen. [f. F *grosse* orig. fem. of *gros* GROSS²]

grōss², a. Luxuriant, rank; overfed, bloated, repulsively fat; flagrant, glaring; total, without deductions, not net; dense, thick, solid; not ethereal, transparent, or impalpable; (of food) coarse, greasy, uncleanly, repulsive, (~ feeder, one who likes such food); (of senses etc.) not delicate, dull; coarse in manners or morals, unrefined, indecent; (abs.) in (*the*) ~, in a general way, apart from detail, on the whole. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [f. F *gros grosse* big f. LL *grossus* etym. dub.]

grōt, n. (poet.). Grotto. [f. F *grotte* GROTTO]

grōtēsque' (-sk), n. & a. 1. Decorative painting or sculpture with fantastic interweaving of human & animal forms with foliage; (pop.) comically distorted figure or design. 2. adj. (Archit.) in the above style; distorted, bizarre; ludicrous from incongruity, absurd; hence ~ly² (-sk-) adv., ~ness (-skn-), grōtēsquerie (-skəri) [-sk'ri(6)], n. [f. F *grotesque* f. It. *grottesco* antique work (aborre, -acqua)

perh. because *groto* was used of excavated chambers with mural paintings] **grött'ō**, n. (pl. ~es, ~s). Picturesque cave; artificial ornamental cave, room etc. adorned with shells etc. in imitation of cave, as cool retreat (|| *the G~*, London streetboys' celebration on 5th Aug. of end of close time for oysters). Hence ~**ed**¹ (-ōd) a. [f. It. *grota* f. L f. Gk *kruptō* vault (*kruptō* hide) cf. **CRYPT**] ***grouch**, v.i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Grumble. 2. n. Discontented person; fit of the sulks. [var. of *grutch*, see **GRUDGE**] **ground**¹, n. 1. Bottom of sea (now chiefly fig., as *touch~*, come to something solid after vague talk etc.; of ship, *take~*, strand); (pl.) dregs, esp. of coffee, whence ~**y**¹ a. 2. (Electr.)=EARTH¹. 3. Base, foundation, motive, valid reason, (on the ~ of, by reason or under pretext of, on public etc. ~s), whence ~**LESS** a., ~**'LESSLY** adv., ~**'LESSNESS** n. 4. Substratum, underlying part, surface worked upon in embroidery, painting, etc., undecorated part, prevailing colour or tone; (Etching) composition spread on metal & cut through with needle where acid is to act. 5. Surface of earth (*fall, be dashed, to the ~*, be abandoned, fall, of scheme, hope; **BREAK** ~; *down to the ~*, colloq., in all respects, thoroughly; *above ~*, alive; *cut the ~ from under one's feet*, anticipate & stultify his arguments or plans). 6. pl. Enclosed land for ornament or recreation attached to house. 7. Position, area, or distance, on earth's surface (*cover much ~*, of inquiry, report, etc., be far-reaching; *stand, shift*, one's ~, maintain, change, one's argument or intention; *gain ~*, advance; *lose, give, ~*, retreat, decline). 8. Area of special kind or use (*fishing~s*; *forbidden ~*, subject that must be avoided; *classic~*, historic place; *cricket* etc. ~). 9. Person's property in land. 10. (Cricket) *his* etc. ~, behind popping-creeper (*in, out of, his ~*); || paid staff of players attached to club. 11. (In names of birds) terrestrial, (of beasts) burrowing or lying on ~, (of plants) dwarfish or trailing. 12. ~*ash*, ash sapling, walking-stick of this; ~*bait* n. & v.t., (prepare with) bait thrown to bottom of intended fishing~ to attract fish; ~ *bass*, short passage in bass of composition, repeated many times with upper part of music varied; ~*box*, small box¹ used to edge garden beds; ~*colour*, first coat of paint, prevailing colour on which design is done; ~*fish*, living at bottom; ~*fishing*, with bait near bottom; || ~*floor*, rooms etc. on level of outside ~ (*get in on the ~ floor*, be admitted to company etc. on same terms as promoters); || ~ *game*, hares, rabbits, etc.; ~*guddeen*, leech; ~*hog*, Amer. marmot; ~*ice*, formed at bottom of water, anchorage; ~ *sea*, sea-hood, creeping herb with

bluish-purple flower & kidney-shaped leaf; || ~ *landlord*, owner of ~ leased for building; ~*man* (in charge of cricket etc. ~); ~*note*, on which a common chord is built, fundamental bass; ~*nut*, (edible tuber of) N.-Amer. wild bean, also W.-Ind. & W.-Afr. pea with pod ripening under ~; ~*pine*, herb with resinous smell, also clubmoss; ~*plan*, plane drawing of divisions of building at ~ level, also outline or general design of anything; ~*rent*, that paid to ~*lord*; ~ *sea*, heavy sea without apparent cause; ~*s'man*, = ~*man*; ~ *speed* (Aviation), aircraft's speed relative to ~ (cf. **AIR**¹ *speed*); ~ *staff*, non-flying members of aerodrome staff; ~ *swell*, heavy sea caused by distant or past storm or earthquake; ~ *torpedo*, fixed to bottom of sea; ~*work*, foundation or basis (usu. fig.), chief ingredient, general surface of thing showing where not overlaid with embroidery or other ornament. [com.-Teut.; OE & G *grund*, cf. Du. *grond*]

ground², v.t. & i. Base, establish, (institution, principle, belief) on some fact or authority (in pass. also *in*; p.p., *well, ill*, etc., founded, also abs. = well founded, whence ~**'edly**² adv.); instruct thoroughly (in elements), whence **groun'ding**² n.; prepare ground (of embroidery etc.); lay (esp. arms) on ground; (Electr.) connect with earth as conductor; alight on ground; run (t. & i.) ashore, strand; prevent (aircraft, airman) from flying. [f. prec.]

ground³, p.p. of **GRIND**. ~ *glass*, made non-transparent by grinding.

groun'dage, n. Duty on ship lying on beach or entering port. [-AGE]

ground'ling, n. Kinds of **GROUND**¹-*fish*; creeping or dwarf plant; spectator or reader of inferior taste (ref. to *Hamlet* III. ii. 12). [-LING¹]

ground'sel¹, n. Kinds of weed, of which the commonest is used as food for cage-birds. [OE *gundæselgise* perh. f. *gund* pus, SWALLOW¹, = pus-absorber, as being used for poultices, later assimilated to *ground*]

ground'sel², n. (arch.). Timber serving as foundation, lowest part of wooden framework; threshold. [SILL]

group (-ōp), n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Fine arts) two or more figures or objects forming complete design or distinct part of one; number of persons or things standing near together, knot, cluster; number of persons or things belonging or classed together (in Pol., used of smaller unit than the party, & esp. in assemblies where the two-party system does not prevail; in scientific classification, used vaguely of cross-divisions outside the regular hierarchy of class-terms); *Oxford G~*, see **STROMAHEIM**; ~ *captain*, officer of **AIR**¹ Force. 2. v.t. Form (t. & rarely i.)

into a ~, place in a ~ *with*; form (t. & l. of colours, figures, etc.) into well-arranged & harmonious whole; classify. Hence ~AGE(S) n. [f. F *groupe* f. It. *gruppo* prob. f. Tent. (GROUPE)]

group'er (-ō-), n. Kinds of W.-Ind. & Austral. fish. [f. Port. *garupa* (prob. S.-Amer.)]

grouse¹, n. (pl. *grouse*). (Prop.) any gallinaceous bird with feathered feet; (pop.) Moor Fowl or Game or Red G~, reddish game-bird of British Isles (*Black G~*, BLACK¹ game; *Wood* or *Great G~*, capercaille; *White G~*, ptarmigan), its flesh. [f.]

|| **grouse**², v.i., & n. (sl.). Grumble. [f.]

grout¹, n., & v.t. 1. Thin fluid mortar for filling interstices. 2. v.t. Fill up or finish with this. [cf. 16th-c. F *grouter*]

|| **grout**², v.i. & t. (Of pigs) turn up earth, turn up (earth etc.), with snout. [perh. f. obs. *groot* mud, cogn. w. OE *grēot* GRIT]

grōvie, n. Small wood, group of trees, (in Bible, mistransl. of Hebrew word = pillar used as idol, or name of goddess). Hence ~ED¹ (-vd), ~e'LESS (-vl-), ~Y², aa. [excl. E, OE *grōf*]

grōv'el, v.i. (-ll-). Lie prone, humble oneself, (often in the dirt or dust); (part.) abject, low, base, whence ~INGLY² adv. Hence ~IER¹ n. [back formation f. obs. *groveling* adv. (obs. on *grufe* f. ON *d grifu* on one's face, -LING³) taken as part. in *lay ~ling* etc.]

grow (-ō), v.i. & t. (*grew* pr. grōb, ~n p.p. often as act. intr. with *is*, cf. -ED¹(2), & as adj.). 1. Develop or exist as living plant (also loc. of lifeless things etc., be found in some place; ~ into one, together, etc., coalesce), germinate, sprout, spring up, be produced, come naturally into existence, arise. 2. Increase in size, height (~ING¹ pains, neuralgic pains in limbs of the young), quantity, degree, power, etc. (~ downwards, diminish; *habit*, *person*, *picture*, etc., ~s on one, becomes more influential with or admired by him), whence ~INGLY² (-ō'l-) adv. 3. Become gradually (~ rich); ~ up, advance to maturity (~n-up a. & n., adult); emerge from soil, reach full size; (of custom) arise, become common. 4. Produce by cultivation, bring forth, let (beard etc.) ~, whence ~ABLE (-ō'a) a. 5. pass. Be covered (often up or over) with some growth. [OE *growan* cf. Du. *groeien* f. OTeut. *grō* cogn. w. GRASS]

grow'er (-ō'er), n. Plant that grows in specified way (*fast*, *free*, etc., ~); person growing produce (often in comb., as *fruit*-~). [-NE¹]

growl, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) guttural sound of anger (cf.) rumble; murmur angrily, angry murmur, complain(t); utter with a ~ (oud). Hence ~INGLY² adv. [prob. imit.]

growl'er, n. In vbl senses; also: || four-

wheeled cab; kinds of fish; small iceberg; * (sl.) beer-pitcher. [-NE¹]

growl'ery, n. Growling; place to growl in, private room, den. [-MAY; cf. BOUDOIR]

grown, p.p. of GROW. ~ man etc., mature.

growth (-ōth), n. Growing, development, increase, (of foreign etc. ~, grown abroad etc.; full ~, size ultimately attained); cultivation of produce; what has grown or is growing, (Path.) morbid formation. [-TH¹]

groyne, *groin, n., & v.t. 1. Timber framework or low broad wall run out to check drifting of beach & so stop encroachment of sea; 2. v.t. Supply (beach) with ~s. [perh. f. obs. *groin* snout f. OF *groign* (L *grunnire* grunt)]

grūb¹, n. Larva of insect, caterpillar, maggot; dull drudge, literary hack, sloven, smug; ball bowled along ground at cricket; (sl.) food, a feed; ~-stake (Mining sl.), supply (prospector) with outfit, provisions, etc., in return for part of profits, (n.) outfit etc. so supplied. [perh. f. foll.]

grūb², v.i. & t. (-bb-). Dig (t. & i.) superficially; clear (ground) of roots & stumps, clear away (roots etc.), (often up); fetch up or out by digging (fig., discover in books etc.); search, rummage, (intr.); plod, toll, on, along, away; (sl.) feed, provide (boarder etc.) with food, [prob. f. prec.]; ~-axe, -hoe, -hook, for ~bing up stumps. Hence (-)~b'ER¹(1, 2) n. [prob. cogn. w. GRAVE²; cf. ON *gruffa* pit]

grūbb'y, a. Of, infested with, grubs; dirty, grimy, slovenly, whence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

Grūb-street, n. & a. (Region inhabited by) the tribe of needy authors & literary hacks; (adj.) of these. [a London street (now Milton St) so inhabited in 17th c.]

grudge, v.t., & n. 1. Be unwilling to give, grant, or allow (thing, person thing, thing to person), or to do; (part.) reluctant, whence grūd'g'INGLY² adv. 2. n. Feeling of resentment or ill will (*have a ~ against*; *bear*, *owe*, one a ~). [earlier *grutch* f. OF *groucier* etym. dub.]

gru'el (-ōll), n., & v.t. (-ll-). Liquid food chiefly for invalids of oatmeal etc. boiled in milk or water (*have*, *get*, one's ~, be punished, severely defeated, or killed; so *give* one his ~, & ~ vb al. in same sense, whence ~LING¹ (-ōll-) n.). [OF, f. med. L ¹*grutellum* dim. of *grutum* f. Teut., cf. OE *grūt* coarse meal, & *GRUITS*]

grue'some (-ōs-), a. Grisly, disgusting. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. obs. *grue* to shudder, cf. G *grauen* + *-some*]

grūf, a. Surly, laconic, rough-mannered, rough-voiced. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., ~ER¹(2) a. [cf. G *grob*]

grum'ble, v.i. & t., & n. (Utter) dull inarticulate sound, murmur, growl faintly; rumble; complain(t) (of, about, over); utter complainingly (often sad). Hence

~ER¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. [cf. F *grommeler*, Du. *grommelen*, G *grummeln*].
grume (-ōm), n. (med.). Clot of blood, viscous fluid. So **GRUMOUS** (-ō-) a. [f. LL *grumus* small heap]
grūm'ēt, *grōm(m)'ēt, n. (naut.). Ring usu. of twisted rope as fastening, rowlock, wad, etc. [f. 15th-c. F *gromette* curb (*gourmer* to curb, etym. dub.)]
grūm'pīj, grūm'pīsh, a. Ill-tempered, surly. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [f. obs. *grump* offence, snub, etym. dub.]
Grūn'dyism, n. Conventional propriety, prudery. [f. 'What will Mrs Grundy (a neighbour) say?' in Morton's *Speed the Plough* 1798]
grūnt, v.i. & t., & n. (Utter) low gruff sound characteristic of hogs; express discontent, dissent, fatigue, etc., by this; utter with ~ (often out). Hence ~ingly² adv. [OE *grunellan* (cf. G *grunzen*) frequent. of *grunian* imit.]
grūn'ter, n. In vbl senses; esp.: pig; kinds of fish. [-ER¹]
gru'yère (grūb'yā), n. Swiss pale cows'-milk cheese with many cavities. [G~, Swiss town]
grýs'bōk, n. Small grey S.-Afr. antelope. [f. Du. *grijsbok* (*grijs* grey, *BUOK* ¹)]
guacharo (gwahohah'rō), n. The oil-bird of S. America. [S.-Amer. Sp.]
guacho, incorrect for GAUCHO.
gual'ác, -acum, (gwi-), n. Genus of W.-Ind. trees & shrubs (-um only); brownish-green wood of two kinds of these used in medicine, *lignum vitae*; resin from these, drug made from it. [-um mod. L f. Sp. *guayaco* of Haytian orig.]
guan (gwahn), n. Kinds of S.-Amer. gallinaceous bird allied to curassow. [prob. native]
gua'na (gwah-), n. Iguana; any large lizard. [var. of IGUANA]
guana'cō (gwahn-), n. (pl. -ōs). Wild llama with reddish-brown wool. [native S.-Amer. *huanaco*]
gua'nō (gwah-), n. (pl. -ōs) & v.t. Excrement of sea-fowl found esp. in islands about Peru used as manure; artificial manure esp. that made from fish; (vb) fertilize with ~. [Sp., f. native *huanu*]
guarantee (gā-), n., & v.t. 1. Person making guaranty or giving security; guaranty; thing given or existing as security for fulfilment of conditions or permanence etc. of something; person to whom guaranty is given [correl. to *guarantor*; prop. a separate formation with -EE]; ~ fund, sum pledged as contingent indemnity for loss. 2. v.t. Be ~ for, answer for due fulfilment of (contract etc.) or genuineness etc. of (article), assure permanence etc. of; engage that something has happened or will happen; secure possession of to person; secure against loss from (risk etc.), or in (possession etc.); hence **gua'ranteez** (gā-; also -ā-)

n. [in first sense, orig. *garantie*, prob. f. Sp. *garante* = F *garant* WARRANT¹; other senses of n. by confusion w. foll. or misuse of -EE]
gua'ranty (gā-), n., & v.t. Undertaking written or other to answer for payment of debt or performance of obligation by another person liable in first stance; ground or basis of security; (vb) guarantee (now rare). [f. AF *garantie* (*guarant* WARRANT¹)]
guard¹ (gārd), n. 1. Defensive posture or motion in fencing, boxing, etc. (in cricket, position of bat to defend wicket; *take, give*, ~, of batsman, umpire, ascertaining correct spot on ground for this). 2. Watch, vigilant state, (*keep* ~, *be on* ~, act as sentry etc.; *on, off*, one's ~, prepared, unprepared, against attack, surprise, or one's own impulses etc.). 3. Protector, defender, sentry; || official in charge of stage-coach or train; || (pl.) household troops (including *Foot* ~s, *Horse* ~s, *Life* ~s, & by extension some (orig. seven) regiments of *Dragoon G* ~s). 4. Body of soldiers etc. serving as protectors of place or person, escort, separate portion of army, etc. (*advance, rear*, ~; ~ of honour; *mount, relieve*, ~, earlier the ~, take up, take others' place in, sentry duty). 5. Contrivance to prevent injury or accident (often in comb., as *fire, trigger*, ~). 6. ~boat, boat going rounds of fleet in harbour to see that good watch is kept, also official harbour boat enforcing quarantine or customs regulations; ~book (arranged for the reception of additional leaves, letters, etc.); ~chain, securing watch, brooch, etc.; ~house, accommodating military ~ or securing prisoners; ~rail, hand or other rail to prevent falling etc.; ~ring, preventing other ring from slipping off finger, keeper; ~room, as ~house above; ~ship, warship protecting harbour & receiving seamen till they can join their ships; ~s'man, || soldier, esp. officer, of G ~s; ~lent, as ~house above. Hence ~LESS a. [f. F *garde* f. Teut. see WARD]
guard² (gārd), v.t. & i. Keep safe, stand guard over, keep (door etc.) so as to control passage, protect, defend (*from, against*); secure by explanations or stipulations etc. from misunderstanding or abuse, (Med.) administer correctives with (drug); keep (thoughts, speech) in check (~ed language etc., cautious, measured), whence ~edly² adv., ~edness n.; use a fencing guard; take precautions *against*; (Curling, Bowling) protect (stone, bowl) by placing one's own between it & later player, (Chess) protect (piece, pawn) with another. [f. prec.]
guard'ian (gā-), n. Keeper, defender, protector, (|| G ~ of the poor, or G ~, member of Board formerly elected to administer poor-laws in parish or district);

(Law) one having custody of person or property or both of infant, idiot, etc. (cf. **WARD**); superior of Franciscan convent; ~ *angel*, spirit watching over person or place. [L. OF *g(u)arden* (garde **GUARD**)]

guard'ianship (gär-), n. Office of guardian, legal tutelage; keeping, guard, (under the ~ of the laws). [-SHIP]

gua'va (gwah-), n. (Tropical myrtaceous tree yielding) acid fruit used for making jelly. [f. Sp. *guayaba* prob. f. S.-Amer. or W.-Ind. name]

guayule' (gwahyöl), n. Aster-like Mexican plant the sap of which furnishes a rubber substitute. [native name]

gubernator'ial, a. Of a governor. [f. L. *gubernator* GOVERNOR + -IAL]

güd'geon¹ (-jon), n. Small freshwater fish used as bait; credulous person. [f. F. *goujon* f. L. *gobionem* nom. -o GOBY]

güd'geon² (-jon), n. Pivot at end of beam, axle, etc., on which bell, wheel, etc., works; ring of gate fitting on hook of post; socket in which rudder works; pin holding two blocks of stone etc. together; ~ *pin*, (esp.) that holding piston-rod & connecting-rod together. [f. OF *gojon* perh. = prec.]

Guebre (gë'ber, gä-), n. Zoroastrian, fire-worshipper, Parsee. [f. F. *guebre* f. Pers. *gabr*]

guel'der röse (gë-; -z), n. Plant with round bunches of white flowers, snowball tree. [*Guellders* in Prussia]

Guelph, -lf, (gwö-), n. Member of medieval Italian party supporting Pope against Emperor (cf. CHIBELLINE). Hence ~ *to a*. [f. It. *Guelfo* f. MHG *Welf* name (of founder of princely family of Guelphs, ancestors of British Royal Family) used as war-cry at battle of Weinsberg 1140 against Conrad III]

guerd'on (gër-), n., & v.t. (poet.). Reward, recompense. Hence ~ *LESS* a. [OF, f. mod. L. *widerdonum* f. OHG *widarlön* (wider again, LOAN) w. assim. to L. *donum* gift]

Guernsey (gër'n'zi), n. One of Channel Islands; (g~; also ~ *shirt*, *coat*, *frack*) thick knitted woollen usu. blue outer tunic or jersey worn by sailors, workmen, & children; ~ *cow*; ~ *illy*, kind of amaryllis orig. from S. Africa.

guer(r)ill'a (ger-), n. (Usu. now ~ *war*) irregular war waged by small bodies acting independently; man engaged in this. [Sp. (-rr-) dim. of *guerra* WAR]

guess (gës), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Estimate without measurement or detailed calculation; think likely, think one divines nature of, form hypothesis as to, conjecture, hazard opinion about, (noun, *that, how, when, whether*, etc., thing to be; also intr. with *at*; often abs. in parentheses; I ~, chiefly U.S., I feel sure or know well); conjecture (answer to riddle, solution of problem) rightly, divine.

2. n. Rough estimate, conjecture, hypothesis, (by ~, at haphazard; by ~ and by God); ~ *work*, (procedure based on) ~ing; OTHER~. [n. f. vb, ME *gessen* cf. Du. *gissen*; f. root of GET]

guest (gëst), n. Person entertained at another's house or table (*paying* ~, boarder); person lodging at hotel, boarding-house, etc.; animal or vegetable parasite (cf. **HOST**); ~ *chamber*, kept for ~s; ~ *house*, superior boarding-house; ~ *night*, on which ~s are entertained at club, college, mess, etc. Hence ~ *SHIP* n. [W. Aryan; OE *giest* cf. ON *gestr*, G *gast*, & L *hostis* enemy, orig. stranger]

guest-rope, **guess'**, (gës-), n. Second rope fastened to boat in tow to steady it; rope slung outside ship to give hold for boats coming alongside. [1]

guffaw, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Coarse or boisterous laugh. 2. vb. Make, say with, ~. [orig. Sc.; imit.]

guggle. = GURGLE.

guichet (gësh'ä), n. Grating, hatch, ticket-office window. [F]

guide¹ (gid), n. 1. One who shows the way; hired conductor of traveller or tourist. 2. (Mil.) one of company formed for reconnoitring etc.; the G~s, mobile Indian frontier corps; (Mil.) *right & left* ~, subalterns of company superintending & acting as pivots etc. in evolutions; (Naut.) ship on which rest of fleet regulate their movements. 3. Adviser; directing principle or standard (the feelings are a bad ~; Scripture is our ~). 4. = **GRL** ~. 5. Book of rudiments, manual, (also ~ *book*) book of information on a city, cathedral, museum, etc., (to). 6. (Mech.) bar, rod, etc., directing motion of something, gauge etc. controlling tool. 7. Thing marking a position or guiding the eye. 8. ~ *post*, **FINGER-post**; ~ *rope*, **GY**¹, small rope attached to load of crane to guide it, rope trailed along ground by balloon or small airship to assist in preserving altitude, one of several ropes steadying an airship before flight; ~ *way*, groove, track. Hence ~ *LESS* (gid-) a. [F, orig. fem., f. OF *guie* (by assim. to Fr. or It. *guida*) f. *guier* to guide prob. f. Teut. cogn. w. OE *witan* know]

guide² (gid), v.t. Act as guide to, go before, lead, direct course of; arrange course of (events); be the principle, motive, or ground, of (action, judgement, etc.); conduct affairs of (State etc.); *guiding-stick*, mahlistick. Hence **GUIDABLE** a., **GUID'ANCE** n., (gi-). [f. F. *guider* f. OF *guier* as prec.]

guid'on (gëd-), n. Pennant narrowing to point at free end (used as standard of dragoons). [F, f. It. *guidone* perh. f. *guida* **GUIDE**¹]

g(u)ild (gi-), n. Society for mutual aid or prosecution of common object; G~*hall*, in which a medieval ~ met, (often, from

being used as meeting-place of Corporation town-hall; || (*the*) *Guildhall*, hall of the Corporation of the City of London, used for State banquets, municipal meetings, etc.; ~ *socialism*, system by which the resources, methods, & profits, of each industry should be controlled by a council of its members. [OE *gild* guild, payment, sacrifice, cf. Du. & G *geld* money]

guld'ér (gí-), n. Obsolete gold coin of Netherlands etc.: Dutch silver coin=1/8. [corruption of Du. *gulden*]

guile (gíl), n. Treachery, deceit, cunning devices. Hence ~*FUL* a., ~*FULLY*¹ adv., ~*FULNESS* n., (gílf-), ~*LESS* a., ~*LESSLY*² adv., ~*LESSNESS* n. (gíl-l-). [OF, prob. f. Teut.; cf. WÍLE]

guill'émot (gí-), n. Kinds of sea-bird. [F, prob. f. *Guillaume* William]

guilloche (gílósh', & see Ap.), n. Architectural ornament imitating braided ribbons. [f. F *guilochie*, or f. F *guilloche* the tool used]

guillotine (gí'lótén, or -tén'), n., & v.t. 1. Machine with knife-blade sliding in grooves for beheading; surgical instrument for excising uvula etc., kinds of machine for cutting paper etc.; || (Parl.) method of preventing obstruction by fixing times at which parts of Bill must be voted on. 2. v.t. Use the ~ upon. [F (Dr *Guillotín*, its proposer in 1789)]

guilt (gí-), n. The having committed a specified or implied offence; criminality, culpability. [excl. E; OE *gylt*]

guilt'less (gí-), a. Innocent (often of offence); not having knowledge or possession of (~ of *Greek, soap, moustache*, etc.). Hence ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. [-LESS]

guilt'y (gí-), a. Criminal, culpable; conscious of, prompted by, guilt (~y *conscience, behaviour, look*); having committed a particular offence (*of*; ~y, *not* ~y, verdicts in criminal trials). Hence ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*INESS* n. [-Y²]

guimp. = GIMP.

Guinea, g-, (gín'l), n. 1. (G~). Part of W. coast of Africa. 2. (g~). Former gold coin named as first coined for the African trade (1663-1717 nominally 20/- but of fluctuating value; from 1717 fixed at 21/-; last coined 1813), & now money of account 21/- used in stating professional fees, amount of subscriptions, & prices of pictures, horses, estates, etc. 3. g~*-fowl*, -*hen*, gallinaceous bird with slate-coloured white-spotted plumage domesticated in Europe; G~ *GRAINS*; g~*-pig*, S.-Amer. rodent now half-domesticated in Europe etc. as pet (origin of name doubtful), person receiving ~ fees, esp. company director or deputy clergyman; G~*-worm*, tropical parasite in human skin. [f. Port. *Guinéa*]. **Guinness** (gín's), n. ~'s stout, bottle of this (a small ~). [person; F]

gudgeon (gép'ser, & see Ap.), n. Kind of fish; kind of gimp. [F]

guise (gis), n. Style of attire, garb, (arch.); external appearance; semblance, assumed appearance, pretence, (*under, in, the ~ of*). [F, f. Teut. (WÍSN¹)]

guitár' (gí-), n., & v.l. (-rr-). 1. stringed lute played with hand fretted finger-board; hence ~*II*

2. v.l. Play ~. [f. Sp. *guitarra* f. *kithara*; cf. CITHAR, guitar]

***gülich**, n. Ravine, esp. one with deposit. [perh. f. obs. *gulch* to swa]

gul'den (göö-), n. Dutch & Austro-Hu silver coin 1/8. [Du. & G, =golden (o name of various gold coins)]

güles (-ls), n., & a. (usu. after (her)). Red. [f. OF *goules* pl. ermine dyed red]

gulf, n., & v.t. 1. (Geog.) portion of sea, proportionally narrower at mouth than bay, partly surrounded by coast; deep hollow, chasm, abyss, (poet.) profound depth or the sea; whirlpool, what swallows up anything; impassable dividing line (*Luke* xvi. 26); || (Univ. sl.) degree allowed to honour-candidate who fails but deserves pass; G~*-stream*, oceanic warm current issuing from G~ of Mexico. 2. v.t. Engulf, swallow up; || (Univ.) give ~ to. [f. F *golfe* f. Pr. *golfo* f. late Gk *kolpos* (Gk *kolpos*)]

güll', n. Kinds of long-winged web-footed mostly marine bird, usu. white with mantle varying from pearl-grey to black, & bright bill. Hence ~*ERY*(3) n. [perh. f. W *güylan*]

güll', n., & v.t. Dupe, fool. So ~*IBLE* a., ~*IBLY* n., ~*ISH*¹ a. [perh. vb f. n. in fig. sense of prec.; perh. n. f. vb in fig. sense of obs. *gull* to gorge, cf. *cram* & *stuff* =take in]

güll'et, n. Food-passage from mouth to stomach, oesophagus; throat; water-channel, strait, defile, (arch. & dial.). [f. OF dim. of *gole* (now *gueule*) f. L *gula*]

güll'y', n., & v.t. 1. Water-worn ravine; deep artificial channel, gutter, drain, sink; (Cricket) fielding position between point & the slips; ~*-drain*, to sewer from ~*-hole*, opening in street for drainage; ~*-trap*, anti-gas TRAP¹ in ~*-drains*. 2. v.t. Make gullies in, form (channels) by water action. [prob. f. prec.]

güll'y', n. Large knife. [perh. orig. butcher's for cutting *gullet*]

gülös'it'y, n. (rare). Gluttony. [f. LL *gulositas* (L *gulosus* gluttonous f. *gula* GULLET)]

gülp, v.t. & l., & n. 1. Swallow (usu. *down*) hastily, greedily, or with effort (~ *down sobs, tears*, suppress them); perform act of swallowing with difficulty, gasp, choke; hence ~*INGLY*¹ adv. 2. n. Act of ~ing (*drained it at one ~*); effort to swallow; large mouthful; hence ~*Y*¹ a. [limit., cf. En. *gulper*]

güm', n. (usu. pl.). Firm flesh in which the teeth stand; ~*-boll*, small abscess on ~. [OE *guma* cf. G *gummen*]

güm¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-mm-). 1. Viscid secretion of some trees & shrubs that hardens in drying but is soluble in water (cf. RESIN), used to stick paper etc. together & stiffen linen etc.; secretion collecting in inner corner of eye; hard transparent sweet made of gelatine etc.; (also ~tree) any tree exuding ~, esp. kinds of eucalyptus (up a ~tree, in a fix, at end of one's resources); morbid secretion of ~ as disease of fruit-trees; *(pl.) rubber boots; ~ ARABIC; ~ bichromate, method of controlled photographic printing based on the CARBON process; ~ dragon, tragacanth; ~ juniper, sandarac; ~ resin, vegetable secretion of resin mixed with ~, as gamboge; ~ senegal, kind of ~ arabic from Senegal. 2. vb. Stiffen, smear, with ~; fasten down, together, up, in, etc., with ~; exude etc. [f. OF *gomme* f. L *gummi* f. Gk *kommi*]

|| **güm²**, n. (vulg.). God (in oaths, as *my, by, ~*). [deformation of *God*]

***güm'bō**, n. = OKRA; soup thickened with okra pods. [negro patois]

güm'lah, n. Large Indian earthenware water-jar. [Hind. *gamla*]

güm'm'a, n. (path.; pl. -s, -ta). Syphilitic tumour. Hence ~tots a. [mod. L, f. L *gummi* GUM¹, from nature of contents]

güm'm'jy, a. Viscid, sticky; abounding in, exuding, gum; (of ankles & legs) puffy, swollen. Hence ~iness n. [-Y¹]

güm'p'tion, n. (colloq.). Resource, enterprising spirit, go, ready practical sense; (Painting) vehicle for colour. [Sc., etym. dub.]

gün, n. 1. Metal tube for throwing missiles with gunpowder or some explosive force, piece of ordnance, cannon, musket, fowling-piece, rifle, carbine, (*sure as a ~*, certainly, beyond question; *stand, stick, to one's ~s*, maintain position; *son of a ~*, contemptible fellow; *great ~*, eminent person; *blow great ~s*, violently, a gale); *(sl.) revolver. 2. Member of shooting-party. 3. ~BARREL¹; ~boat, small warship carrying heavy ~s; ~CARRIAGE; ~case, case for sporting ~, || also judge's tippet; ~cotton, explosive made by steeping cotton in nitric & sulphuric acids used for blasting; ~fire, firing of ~, esp. (Mil., Naut.) of morning or evening ~ to show time; ~harpoon, propelled from ~, not by hand; ~house, shelter for ~ & gunner in action; ~lock, mechanism by which charge of ~ is exploded; ~man, (esp., U.-S. sl.) armed robber; ~metal, alloy of copper & tin or zinc (formerly used for ~s); ~pit, to protect ~s from enemy's fire; ~powder, explosive of saltpetre, sulphur, & charcoal, for use in ~s & blasting (~powder plot, 5th Nov. 1605 to blow up Parliament), fine green tea of granular appearance, white ~powder, kinds of modern explosive; ~room, compartment in warship fitted up

for junior officers or as lieutenants' mess-room (orig. for gunner & his mates); ~runner, ~running, (person engaged in) illegal introduction of fire-arms into dependent country; ~shot, range of ~ (out of, within, ~shot); ~shy, frightened at report of ~ (esp. of sporting dog); ~smith, maker and repairer of small fire-arms; ~stock, wooden mounting of ~barrel. Hence (heavily etc.) ~ner² (-nd), ~ness, aa. [perh. f. *Gunna* pet-form of ON *Gunnhildr* woman's name used as personal name (as with ships, & cf. *Mons Meg* cannon kept at Edinburgh) for ballistae & cannon (*una magna balista de cornu quae vocatur Domina Gunilda*, 1380)] **günn'el¹**, n. A small eel-shaped sea-fish, the butter-fish. [†]

günnel². See GUNWALE.

günn'er, n. || Officer or man of artillery (as official term, private); *Master G~*, R.A. warrant officer in charge of equipment etc. in a fort, or similarly employed; (Naut.) warrant officer in charge of battery, magazine, etc. (~'s daughter, gun to which sailors were lashed for flogging; *kiss, marry, the ~'s daughter*, be flogged); game-shooter. [-ER² (2)]

günn'era, n. The prickly rhubarb, an ornamental foliage plant with gigantic leaves. [f. J. E. *Gunnerus*, naturalist; see -A(1)]

günn'ery, n. Construction & management of large guns (~-lieutenant, || (sl.) ~jack, with warrant of competence to supervise ~ from ~ship, for training in ~); firing of guns. [-ERY]

günn'ing, n. Shooting, esp. of game (usu. go ~). [-ING¹]

günn'y, n. Coarse sacking, sack, usu. of jute fibre. [f. Hind. *goni* f. Skr. *goni* sack] **gün'ter**, n. (Also *G~'s scale*) flat 2-ft rule with scales, logarithmic lines, etc., used for solving mechanically problems in surveying & navigation; topmast, or its sail, sliding up & down lower mast on rings (from resemblance to sliding *G~'s scale*); *G~'s chain*, 66-ft surveying CHAIN. [E. *G~*, mathematician d. 1626]

gün'wale (-nal), **günn'el**, n. Upper edge of ship's or boat's side (~ to, under, level with, below, water). [GUN + WALE (formerly used to support guns); cf. CHANNELED]

gün'yah, n. Native Australian hut. [native]

güp, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Gossip. [Hind.]

gurgit'ation, n. Surging, bubbling motion or sound. [f. L *gurgitare* to surge (*gurgies* -the whirlpool) + -AZON]

gür'gle, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) bubbling sound as of water from bottle or among stones; utter with such sounds. [imit.; or f. Du. *gorgelen*, G *gurgeln*, or It. *gorgogliare*, f. L (*gurgulio* gullet); cf. *gargle*, *gurgles*]

gür'jun, n. E. Ind. tree yielding ~ balsam or oil, used medicinally. [native]

Gurkha (goork'a), n. Member of ruling Hindu race in Nepal (~ *regiments*, of ~s in British army). [native]

gūrn'ard, **gūrn'et**, n. Kinds of sea-fish with large head, mottled cheeks, & three free pectoral rays. [prob. f. *F. grognard* grumbler (*grogner* grunt, -ARD)]

gū'rrah, n. Common Indian earthen jar. [native name]

gū'rry, n. Small Indian fort. [Hind. *garhi*] **guru** (gō'rō), n. Hindu spiritual teacher. [Skr., =grave, dignified]

gūsh, v.i. & t., & n. (Issue in, send forth) sudden or copious stream (often fig. of speech, tenderness, etc.); emit (water) copiously; (speak, behave, with) effusiveness, sentimental affectation, whence ~ER¹ n., (also) oil-well from which the oil flows without pumping, ~INGLY² adv., ~Y² a. [ME *gosshe* perh. imit.]

gūss'et, n. Triangular piece let into garment to strengthen or enlarge some part; iron bracket strengthening angle of structure. Hence ~ED² a. [f. OF *goussel* (*gousse* nut-shell) flexible piece filling up joint in mail-coat]

gūst, n. Sudden violent rush of wind; burst of rain, fire, smoke, sound, or passion. Hence **gūst'ry** a., **gūst'ily** adv. [prob. f. ON *gust*, cf. *giōsa* gush]

gūst, n. (arch. & poet.). Sense of taste; keen relish (*have a ~ of*, appreciate); flavour. [f. L *gustus* taste]

gūstā'tion, n. Tasting. So **gūstāt'ive**, **gūstāt'ory**, aa. [f. L *gustatio* (*gustare* f. *gustus* taste, -ATION)]

gūstō, n. Special flavour (arch.; *enjoy the full ~ of*); zest, enjoyment with which something is done. [It., as *gust'*]

gūt, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. (Pl.) bowels or entrails (esp. of animals), contents of anything (*has no ~s in it*, is of no real value or force); particular part of lower alimentary canal, intestine, (blind ~, caecum). 2. (Usu. pl.) belly as seat of appetite (vulg.); (pl., sl.) pluck, force of character, staying power. 3. Material for violin strings made from intestines of animals; material for fishing-lines made from intestines of silkworm. 4. Narrow water-passage, sound, straits, || (Oxf. & Camb.) bend of rivers in racing-course; defile, narrow lane or part of street. 5. vb. Take out ~s of, clean, (fish); remove or destroy internal fittings of (house etc.); extract essence of (book etc.); eat greedily (vulg.). [OE *guttas* pl., prob. cogn. w. *gēotan* pour]

gūt'tae, n. pl. Drops in a row as ornament esp. in Doric architecture. [pl. of L *gutta* drop]

gūttā-patch'a, n. Greyish horny substance flexible when thin, of insipidated juice of various Malayan trees. [f. Malay *getah* gum, *percha* name of tree]

gūt'tā, a. (-nat. hist.). Speckled. [f. L *guttatus* (*gutta* drop, -ARE²)]

gūt't'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Track made by running water (rare); shallow trough below caves, or channel at side of street, carrying off rain-water (~-*child*, street arab; *take child etc. out of ~*, remove from poor surroundings); open conduit for out-flow of fluid; groove; ~-*man*, cheap street-vendor of trifles; ~ *press*, *journalism* (catering for depraved or vulgar tastes); ~-*snipe*, street arab. 2. vb. Furrow, channel; flow in streams; (of candle) melt away by becoming channelled so that wax etc. runs down. [f. OF *gutiēre* (*goutte* drop f. L *gutta*)]

gūt'tle, v.i. & t. Eat gluttonously. Hence **gūt'tlar** n. [prob. f. *cut* after *GUZZLE*]

gūt't'ural, a. & n. Of the throat; (of sounds) produced in throat or by back of tongue & palate (n., ~ sound or letter, as k, g). Hence ~ISM³ v.t., ~ISM¹ n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *guttur* throat + -AL]

gūt't'uro-, comb. form of L *guttur* throat (see -O-), as ~*maxill'ary* of throat & jaws.

gūt't'y, n. (golf sl.). Gutta-percha ball. [-Y²]

guy¹ (gē), n., & v.t. 1. Rope, chain, etc., to steady load of crane etc. or hold tent etc. in place. 2. v.t. Secure with ~s. [f. OF *guis* cf. *GUIDE*]

guy² (gē), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Effigy of Guy Fawkes burnt on 5th Nov.; || grotesquely dressed person, fright; *(sl.) man, fellow; || (sl.) act of decamping (*give the ~ to*, escape from; *do a ~*, disappear). 2. vb. Exhibit in effigy; ridicule; (sl.) run away. [person]

Guy's (giz), n. (Used for) Guy's Hospital in London. [person]

gūz'zle, v.i. & t. Drink, eat, greedily (f. & t.); consume (money etc.) in guzzling (often *away*). Hence **gūzz'lar** n. [perh. f. OF *gosiller* vomit (*gosier* throat)]

gwyn'iād, n. White-fleshed lake fish of salmon kind. [W *gwyn* white]

gūybe, *jibe, v.i. & t., & n. (Of fore-&-aft sail or boom) swing across, make (sail) do this, in wearing or running before wind; (of ship, crew, etc.) change course so that this happens. [prob. f. Du. *giben*]

gūyle (g-), n. Quantity of beer brewed at once; fermenting wort; fermenting-tun. [f. Du. *gijl* (*gijlen* to ferment)]

gūym, n. (sl.). Gymnasium, gymnastics. [abbr.]

gūymkha'na (-kah-), n. (orig. Anglo-Ind.). Public place with facilities for athletics; athletic-sports display. [mixture of *gym* (-*nastics*) & Hind. (*ghana*)-khana ball-house, racquet court]

gūymnās'ium (-z-), n. (pl. -*iums*, -*a*). 1. Place, room, or building, with appliances for practice in gymnastics. 2. Continental, esp. German, school of highest grade preparing for universities (*often pr. gimnash*; pl. sometimes -*iums*), whence **gūymnās'ial** a. [f. f. Gk *gymnasium* (*gymnazo* exercise f. *gymnos* naked)]

gým'nást, n. Expert in gymnastics. [f. Gk *gumnastēs* (*gumnazō* see prec.)]

gým'nās'tíc, a. & n. 1. Of gymnastics, involving bodily or (rarely) mental exercise, discipline, effort, or activity; hence ~ICALLY adv. 2. n. Course of instruction regarded as discipline (*grammar is a good ~ic*); (pl.) exercises developing the muscles, esp. such as are performed in gymnasium (also in same sense as sing.). [f. L f. Gk *gumnastikos* (prec., -io)]

gýmno-, comb. form of Gk *gymnos* naked, bare, used in many bot., zool., & biol. terms, as ~sperm'ous having seeds unprotected by seed-vessels.

gým'nōs'ophíst, n. One of ancient Hindu philosophic sect going nearly naked & given up to contemplation; mystic, ascetic. So ~y' n. [f. L f. Gk *gymnosophistai* pl. (prec., SOPHIST)]

gým'nōt'us, n. The electric eel. [f. Gk *gymnos* naked + *nōton* back (from absence of dorsal fins)]

gýnaecé'um (g-, j-), n. (Gk & Rom. Ant.) women's apartments in house; (Bot.; often incorrectly -oec'ium) female organs of flower. [L, f. Gk *gunaikeion* (*gunē* -aikos woman); -oecium from confusion with Gk *oikion* house]

gýnaeco- (g-, j-), comb. form of Gk *gunē* -aikos woman, as ~logy (-ōl'), science of diseases of women. Hence ~O'RACY (-ōk') n.

gýnān'drous (g-, j-), a. (bot.). With stamens & pistil united in one column as in orchids. [f. Gk *gunandros* (*gunē* woman, *andros* man) of doubtful sex + OUS]

gýn(o)- (g-, j-), shortened form of GYNÆCO-, esp. in Bot. = pistil-, ovary-, as *gyn'obase*, enlargement of receptacle supporting gynæceum, *gyn'ophōre*, pedicel supporting ovary, also (Zool.) bud-bearing branch in hydrozoa; also = woman-, whence gýnōc'RACY n.

-gýnous (g-, j-), suf. f. Gk -gynos (*gunē* woman) + OUS, forming adj. = having specified female organs or pistils, as *mono-*, *tetra-*, *andro-*.

|| **gýp'**, n. College servant at Cambridge & Durham (cf. SCOUT); ~room, ~s pantry. [perh. for obs. *gippo* scullion, orig. man's short tunic, f. obs. *F jupeau*]
|| **gýp'**, n. (sl.). Give one ~, scold or punish or defeat him unmercifully. [?]

gýps. = GYPSUM.

gýpsōph'ila, n. Kinds of garden plant with thread-like stalks & airy lightness of appearance. [foll., -PHIL]

gýp'sum, n. Hydrated calcium sulphate, mineral from which plaster of Paris is made, whence ~ōc'RAPHY n.; this used as manure, whence ~um v.t. Hence ~BOUS, ~IS'EROUS, ~OUS, aa. [L, f. Gk *gypsaos*]

gýpsy. See GIPSY.

gýr'ate', a. (bot.). Arranged in rings or convolutions. [f. L *gyratus* (GYRE, -ATE²)]

gýr'áte', v.l. Go in circle or spiral, revolve, whirl. Hence gýr'ATION n., gýr'ATORY a. [f. L *gyrare* (foll.), -ATE²]

gýr'e, v.l., & n. (poet.). = prec.; (n.) gyration. [vb as prec.; n. f. L f. Gk *gyros* ring]

gýr'ō, n. (pl. -ōs). Gyroscope (see foll.); ~compass, gyroscope arranged to serve as compass when magnetic compass cannot be used. [abbr. of foll.]

gýr'o-, comb. form of Gk *gyros* ring, as ~graph (-ahf), instrument recording revolutions; ~plane, form of aircraft deriving its lift mainly from freely rotating overhead vanes; ~scope, ~stat, instruments illustrating dynamics of rotating bodies, also (~scope) rapidly spinning wheel fixed in something, e.g. car on single rail, to keep it in equilibrium, & having, by the independent stability of its axis, great value in mechanics.

gýrōse', a. (bot.). Folded & waved, marked with wavy lines. [GYRE, -OSE¹]

gýve, n. (usu. pl.), & v.t. (poet.). Shackles, fetter. [ME *give* (pr. g-), etym. dub.]

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H, h, (äch), letter (pl. *Hs*, *H's*). DROP³ one's *hs*; *H-iron*, girder of H-shaped section.

ha' (hah), int. expr. surprise, joy, suspicion, triumph, etc. [com.-Teut., Gk, L]

ha' (hah). See HUM v.

haaf (hahf), n. (In Shetland & Orkney) deep-sea fishing ground. [f. ON *haf* high sea]

hāb'eās cōrp'us, n. Writ requiring body of person to be brought before judge or into court, esp. to investigate lawfulness of his restraint; *Habeas Corpus Act* (of Charles II, 1679, facilitating use of this). [L, = you must have the body]

hāb'erdāsh'er, n. Dealer in small articles of dress etc. Hence ~ERY(1) n. [conn. w. obs. *haberdash* small wares, prob. f. AF *hapertas*, etym. dub.]

hāb'ergeon (-jon), n. (hist.). Sleeveless coat of mail. [f. F *haubergeon* (HAUBERK, -oon)]

hāb'ile, a. (literary). Skilful, dextrous. [var. of ABLE]

habil'iment, n. (Pl.) dress suited to any office or occasion (loc. of ordinary clothes); (sing.) equipment, attire, (rare). [f. OF *habillement* (*habiller* fit out f. *habile* ABLE, see -MENT)]

habil'it'âte, v.t. & f. Furnish (mine) with working capital; (intr.) qualify for office (esp. in German Univ.). So ~ATION n. [f. L *habilitare* (as ABILITY, see -ATE³)]

hāb'it', n. Settled tendency or practice, as *he is in, has (fallen into), the or a ~ of contradiction*; mental constitution, esp. ~ of mind; bodily constitution, as *a man of corpulent ~*; (Bot., Zool.) mode of

growth; (arch.) dress, esp. of religious order; (also *riding*~) lady's riding-dress. [OF. f. L. *habitus* -ús f. *habere* *habit*- have, (refl.) be]

háb'it, v.t. Clothe; || (arch.) inhabit. [f. F. *habiter* f. L. *habitare* inhabit, as prec.]

háb'it'able, a. That can be inhabited. Hence ~*ABILITY*, ~*ABLENESS*, nn., ~*ABLY* adv. [F. f. L. *habitabilis* (as prec., see -*ABLE*)]

háb'itant, n. Inhabitant; (pr. *ahbétahá'*) Canadian of French descent. [F. (*HABIT**, -*ANT*)]

háb'itát, n. Natural home of plant or animal; habitation. [L, 3rd sing. pres. as *HABIT**]

hábitát'ion, n. Inhabiting, as *fit* for human ~; place of abode; branch of Primrose League. [F. f. L. *habitationem* (as *HABIT**, -*ATION*)]

hábit'ual, a. Customary; constant, continual; given to (specified) habit, as a ~ *drunkard*. Hence ~*LY* adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. med. L. *habitualis* (as *HABIT**, -*AL*)]

hábit'ú'ate, v.t. Accustom (to thing, to doing). So ~*ATION* n. [f. L. *habituare* (as *HABIT**), see -*ATE**]

hábit'úde, n. Mental or bodily constitution; custom, tendency. [F. f. L. *habitus* (*habere* have, see -*TUDE*)]

hábit'ué (-á), n. Habitual visitor or resident. [F. p.p. of *habituare* (as *HABITUATE*)]

hachures (*háshú'*), n. pl. Lines used in hill-shading on maps to indicate slope. [F.]

hachén'da (-á, -ah-), n. Estate, plantation, with dwelling-house (in Spain or Sp. colonies). [Sp., f. L. *factenda* neut. pl. gerund. of *facere* do]

häck¹, n. Mattock; miner's pick; gash, wound, esp. from kick with toe of boot. [prob. cogn. w. G. *hacke*, Da. *hakke*, mattock]

häck², v.t. & i. Cut, notch, mangle; kick shin of (opponent at football); deal cutting blows (*at*); emit short dry coughs; a ~*ing* (short dry frequent) cough; ~*saw* (for metal-cutting). [ME *hacken* f. com. WG *hakkón*, cf. G. *hacken*, Du. *hakken*; conn. w. prec.]

häck³, n. Board on which hawk's meat is laid; (of eyes hawk) be *at* ~ (not allowed to prey for itself); frame for drying bricks. [var. of *HATCH**]

häck⁴, n. Horse let out for hire; jade horse for ordinary riding; common drudge (also attrib., as ~*writer*); ~*stand*, cabstand. [abbr. of *HACKNEY*]

häck⁵, v.t. & i. Make common, hackney ride (horse), ride on horseback, on road at ordinary pace; use hired horses. [f. prec.]

häck'ery, n. Indian bullock-cart. [†]

häck'kle¹, n., & v.t. 1. Steel flax-comb; long feathers on neck of domestic cock & other birds; with *his* ~s up, (of cock, dog, man) angry, ready to fight; artificial

fly dressed with ~. 2. v.t. Dress (flax, fly) with ~. [vb f. n.; MHG has *hachele*, perh. f. *hak*-root of OHG **hakjan* prick] **häck'kle**², v.t. Hack, mangle. [HAC* + -*LM*(3)]

häck'lý, a. Rough, jagged. [f. prec. + -*Y**] **häck'matäck**, n. Amer. Larch. [native] **häck'ney**, n., & v.t. 1. Horse of middle size & quality for ordinary riding; drudge, hireling; ~*carriage*, ~*coach* (kept for hire). 2. v.t. (Esp. in p.p. ~*ed*) make common or trite. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *haquenée* ambling horse, etym. dub.]

had. See *HAVE*.

hadd'ock, n. Fish allied to cod. [†]

háde, v.i. (geol., mining). Incline from the vertical. [†]

Häd'ës (-z), n. (Gk Myth.). Lower world, abode of departed spirits. [Gk, orig. a name of Pluto]

Hädj'i, **Häjji'**, n. (Title of) Mohammedan pilgrim who has been to MECCA. [f. Arab. *hajj*]

haecce'ity (hëks-), n. (philos.). Thisness; individuality. [f. med. L. *haecceitas* (*haec* fem. of *hic* this, see -*ITY*)]

haem'al, a. (anat.). Of the blood; situated on same side of body as the heart & great blood-vessels. [f. Gk *haima* blood + -*AL*]

haemât'ic, a. & n. Of or containing blood; (n.) medicine acting on the blood. [f. Gk *haimatikos* (as foll., see -*IC*)]

haem'atin, n. (chem.). Bluish-black amorphous substance, constituent of haemoglobin. [f. Gk *haima* -*matos* blood + -*IS*]

haem'atite, **hëm'**, n. A red, brown, or blackish, iron oxide ore. [f. L. f. Gk *haimatites* (*lithos*) blood-like stone (as prec., see -*ITE*)]

haem'ato-, **hëm'ato**-, in comb. = Gk *haima* -*matos* blood, as ~*cele*, tumour containing extravasated blood.

haematúr'ia, n. (path.). Presence of blood in the urine. [f. prec. + Gk *ouron* urine]

haemoglób'in, n. Colouring matter of the red corpuscles of the blood. [f. *HAEMATIN* + *GLORULIN*]

haemophil'ia, **hëm**-, n. (med.). (Hereditary) tendency to bleeding from even a slight injury. [f. Gk *haima* blood, -*o*-, *philia* affection]

haem'orrhage, **hem'**, (hëm'orij), n. Escape of blood from blood-vessels, bleeding. [f. F. *emorogie* f. L. f. Gk *haimorrhagia* (*haima* blood + *rhao* -flowing break)]

haem'orrhoids, **hem'**, (hëm'oroidz), n. pl. Piles. [f. OF *emoroyde* (cf. *EMERODS*) f. L. f. Gk *haimorrhoides* (*phlebes*) bleeding (veins) (*haima* blood + *rhao* -flowing)]

ha'fle (hah-), n. Mohammedan who knows Koran by heart (used as title). [Arab.]

háf'nium, n. (chem.). Metallic element discovered in 1923. [Da. (*Kjopenhaavn*) Copenhagen + -*NIUM*]

haft (hah-), *n.*, & *v.t.* Handle (of dagger, knife, etc.); (*v.t.*) furnish (knife etc.) with ~. [(*vb* f. *n.*) OE *hæfke* f. OTeut. *haftjom* f. root *haf*-HEAVE]

häg¹, *n.* Ugly old woman; witch; (formerly) evil spirit in female form; (also ~fish) a parasite fish allied to lamprey; ~ridden, afflicted by nightmare. Hence ~g'isa¹ (-g-) *a.* [!]

|| **häg²**, *n.* Soft place in moor; firm place in bog. [cf. ON *hogg* ravine]

hagga'dah (-gah-), *n.* Legendary part of the Talmud. [Heb., = tale, f. *higgid* tell]

hägga'ard, *a.* & *n.* 1. Wild-looking (esp. as a result of fatigue, privation, worry, etc.). 2. (Of hawk) caught in her adult plumage, untamed; (*n.*) such a hawk. Hence ~ness *n.* [cf. F *hagard*, etym. dub.]

|| **hägga'is** (-g-), *n.* Minced heart, lungs, & liver, of sheep etc., boiled in maw with suet, oatmeal, etc. [!]

häg'gle, *v.i.*, & *n.* Dispute, wrangle, (about, over). [f. dial. *hag* chop f. ON *hoggva* + -LE(3)]

häg'larichy (-gl-; -kl), *n.* Rule, order, of saints. [f. foll. + Gk *arkhē* rule]

häglo- (-g-) in comb. = Gk *hagios* saint(ly), as: ~cracy (-ōk⁴), government of holy persons; ~grapha (-ōg⁴), books of the Hebrew Scriptures not included under Law & Prophets; ~grapher (-ōg⁴), ~graph'ic, (writer) of any of these, or of saints' lives; ~graphy (-ōg⁴), writing of saints' lives; ~latry (-ōl⁴), worship of saints; ~logy (-ōl⁴), literature treating of lives & legends of saints; ~scope (häg⁴), (modern term for) squint (eool.).

hah, int. & *v.i.* = HA^{1,2}

ha ha (hah hah), int. repr. laughter.

ha-ha (hah'hah), *n.* Sunk fence bounding park or garden. [F, etym. dub.]

hai(c)k (hah'ik, häk), *n.* Arabian outer wrapper for head & body. [Arab. *hayk* f. *hak* weave]

hail¹, *n.* Pellets of frozen vapour falling in shower, as ~storm; shower of missiles, curses, questions, etc.; ~stone, pellet of ~. Hence ~y² *a.* [com.-Teut.: OE *hagol*, Du. & G *hagel*]

hail², *v.i.* & *t.* It ~s, hail falls; (fig.) pour down (blows, words, etc.), come down, violently. [OE *hagalian* f. OTeut. *haga-lojan* (cf. prec.)]

hail³, int. of greeting; ~fellow, ~fellow-well-met, intimate, too intimate, with. [ellipt. use of obs. adj. *hail* f. ON *heill* sound, HAILE]

hail⁴, *v.t.* & *i.*, & *n.* 1. Salute; greet (person etc. as king etc., also ~him king); call to (ship, person) to attract attention; (of ship, person) be come from (place). 2. *n.* Salutation, esp. within ~, near enough to be ~ed. [f. prec.]

hair, *n.* 1. One or (collect. sing.) all of the fine filaments growing from skin of animals, esp. from human head (pl. ~s in

collect. sense is arch.); (of plants) elongated cell growing from epidermis; ~like thing; jot, tittle; against the ~, against the grain; to a ~, exactly; a ~ of the dog that bit you; (sl.) keep your ~ on, keep cool; get person by the short ~s (sl.), have complete control over, have at one's mercy; (of girl) put up, turn up, her ~, dress it in woman's fashion; do or put up, let down, her ~ (in the toilet); not turn a ~, show no sign of exhaustion or discomposure; ~ stands on end (with fright or horror). 2. ~breadth or ~s breadth, minute distance (~breadth escape, very narrow); ~brush, toilet brush for ~; ~cloth (made of ~, for various purposes); ~dresser, one whose business is to dress and cut ~; ~line, line, rope, made of ~, (also) up-stroke in writing; ~net, -oil (used for the ~); ~pin (for fastening the ~; ~pin bend, doubling back of road); ~powder, scented powder for ~, now used by men-servants; ~shirt (of ~cloth, for ascetics); ~slide, horn or tortoise-shell clip for keeping ~ in position; ~space (Typ.), very thin space; ~splitting *a.* & *n.*, over-subtle(ly); ~spring, fine spring in watch, regulating balance-wheel; ~stroke, fine up-stroke in writing; ~trigger, secondary trigger releasing main one by slight pressure. Hence ~iness *n.*, (-)~ED³ (-rd), ~LESS, ~LIKE, ~Y², *aa.* (~y-heeled, sl., deficient in breeding or manners). [com.-Teut.: OE *hær*, *hër*, Du. & G *haar*]

håke¹, *n.* Fish like cod. [!]

håke², *haik*, *n.* Wooden framework for drying bricks & other purposes. [prob. = HACE²]

hakeem¹, -kim¹ (-ēm), *n.* (In India & Mohammedan countries) physician. [Arab. *hakim* wise, physician]

ha'kim² (hah-), *n.* (As prec.) judge, ruler, governor. [Arab. *hakim*]

halā'tion, *n.* (photog.). Spreading of light beyond its proper boundary in a negative (and consequent fogging) caused by internal reflection in the support of the emulsion. [irreg. f. HALO + -ATION]

hålb'erd, -rt, *n.* (hist.). Combined spear & battle-axe. [f. OF *halebarde* f. MHG *helmbarde* (*helm* helmet or *helm* handle + *bart* broad-axe f. OTeut. *bardos* beard)]

hålb'erdier² (-ēr), *n.* Man armed with halberd. [f. OF *halebardier* (as prec., see -IER)]

hålc'yon, *n.* & *a.* 1. Bird fabled by the ancients to breed in floating nest on sea at winter solstice, & to charm wind & waves into calm for the purpose; (Zool.) Australasian kingfisher. 2. *adj.* Calm, esp. ~ days (orig. 14 days about winter solstice). [f. L *halcyon* f. Gk *alkuōn* kingfisher]

håle¹, *a.* Robust, vigorous, (esp. of old persons). Hence ~ness (-ln-) *n.* (north. repr. of OE *adl* whole)

håle², *v.t.* (arch.). Drag, draw, forcibly

(lit. & fig.). [f. OF *haler* f. OHG *halōn* (G *hōlen* fetch)]

half (hahf), n. (pl. *halves*), a., & adv. 1. One of two equal or corresponding parts into which a thing is divided, as *the ~ of 10 is 5, cut it in ~* (into halves), *your ~ is bigger than mine, two pounds & a ~* (pound) or *two & a ~ pounds, ~ of it is* (but of them are) *rotten*; (colloq.) = ~-pint, -mile, -back, -holiday; || school term (the school year being formerly divided into two portions); *better ~, wife; do a thing by halves* (imperfectly); *too clever by ~* (far); *go halves*, share equally (*with* person in thing); *cry halves*, claim equal share. 2. adj. Forming a ~, as a ~ length, a ~ share; (adj. now viewed as = the ~ of) *the men, ~ your time, ~ a crown* (2/6), *~ a pound* (is ~ the battle, goes a long way towards success). 3. adv. To the extent of ~, (loosely) to a considerable extent, as *it is ~ cooked, a ~-cooked potato, ~ dead, I ~ wish, not ~ (nearly) long enough*, (colloq.) *not ~* (not at all) *bad, not ~ a bad fellow; || not ~* (sl.), to the greatest possible extent, as *he didn't ~ swear* (swore violently); (adv., prob. orig. adj.) ~ (an hour) *past two* (o'clock); (Naut.) ~ *three, 3½* (fathoms), *east ~ south* (5½° south of east). 4. ~ & ~, (what is) ~ one thing & ~ another, esp. mixture of ale & porter; ~ as much or many again, 1½ times the amount; ~-back, (Footb.) position, player, immediately behind forwards; ~-baked, (fig.) not thorough, not earnest, ~witted; ~-ball (Billiards etc.), with moving ball directed at edge of object ball; ~ binding of book, leather back & corners, cloth or paper sides (similarly ~-bound, ~-calf, ~-morocco, etc.); ~-blood, person having one parent in common with another, this relationship, (also) person of mixed nationality; ~-blooded, born of different races; ~-blue, badge or colours (see BLUE²) awarded to second string or to representative in minor sports; ~-boot (reaching up to the calf); ~-bred, of mixed breed, mongrel; ~-breed, (esp.) ~-blooded person; ~-brother, ~-sister (by one parent only); ~ butt, cue of length between ordinary cue & long butt; ~-caste a. & n., ~-bre(e)d, esp. (child) of European father & Indian mother; ~ cook (2); || ~-crown, (n.) silver coin of 2/6, (usu. ~ a crown, see above) amount of 2/6, (adj.) priced at or worth 2/6; ~-deck, (esp.) quarters of cadets & apprentices on a merchant vessel; ~-fifteen, ~-thirty, ~-forty (Lawn Tennis), handicap (in strokes allowed in certain games of each set) given to a weaker player; ~-hearted, lacking courage or zeal, so ~-heartedly, ~-ness; ~ HITCH; ~ holiday, day of which (the latter) ~ is taken as holiday; ~-length, portrait of upper ~ of person; ~-mast high, (of flag) lowered to ~ height of mast as mark of respect for the dead; ~ measures, com-

promise, ~-&~ policy etc.; ~ moon, moon of which only ~ is illuminated, crescent, crescent-shaped thing; ~ mourning, black relieved by grey etc.; ~(-)nelson, a hold in wrestling (*get a ~ nelson on*, hold in a crippling position, gain complete mastery over); ~ pay, reduced allowance to army etc. officer when neither retired nor in actual service; ~-seas-over, ~ drunk; || ~-timer, child attending school for ~ usual time, earning money in other ~; ~-title, title or short title of a book, printed on recto of leaf preceding the title-leaf; also title of section of a book printed on recto of leaf preceding it; ~-tone, illustration printed from a block (produced by photographic agency) in which the lights & shades of the original are represented by small or large dots (~-tone block, process); ~-truth, statement that conveys only part of the truth; ~ VOLLEY; ~-way house, inn midway between two towns etc., (fig.) compromise; ~-witted, imbecile, so ~-wit n.; ~-yearly a. & adv., (occurring) every ~ year. [com.-Teut.: OE *h(e)alf*, G *halb*]

|| **halfpenny** (hăp'ni), n. (pl. as PENNY). Bronze coin worth half a penny (*turn up again like a bad ~*, persistently, unfailingly); *three halfpence* (hăp'ens, (usu. for) a penny ~, 1½d.; ~-worth (usu. pron. hăp'ath, hăp'orth, as much as a ~ will buy).

hāl'ibut, hōl'. n. Large flat fish used for food. [prob. f. *haly* HOLY + *butt* flat fish, because eaten on holy-days]

hāl'idom, n. (arch.). Holy thing, esp. (as oath) *by my ~*. [OE *hāligdōm* (HOLY, -DOM)]

hāl'ieut'ic, a. & n. Of fishing; (n. pl.) art of fishing. [f. L f. Gk *halieutikos* (*halieus* fish f. *hals* sea, see -IC)]

hālītōs'is, n. (med.). Abnormally foul breath. [f. L *halitus* breath + -osis]

hall (haw), n. Large public room in palace etc.; *servants' ~*, room in which servants dine; || residence of landed proprietor; || (Univ.) institution governed by a head without fellows, (also) building for students having or not having Univ. privileges; || (in Eng. colleges etc.) common dining-room, dinner in this; building of guild, as *Saddlers' H*; large room for public business; entrance-passage of house; *Liberty H*~, place where one may do as one likes; ~-mark, mark used at Goldsmiths' H (~& by Government assay offices) for marking standard of gold & silver, (v.t.) stamp with this (often fig.). [com.-Teut.: OE *heall*, Du. & Da. *hal*]

hallelujah, -luiah. See ALLELUIA.

haliard. See HALYARD.

hālō', -loa' (-lō), int., n., & v.i. Int. calling attention or expr. surprise; (n., & v.i.) (the) cry ~. [perh. var. of HOLLO]

hālōō', int. Incting dogs to the chase, calling attention, or expressing surprise (also as n., the cry ~). [perh. var. of HOLLO]

halloo'¹, v.i. & t. Cry 'halloo!', esp. to dogs; urge on (dogs etc.) with shouts; shout (t. & l.) to attract attention; (prov.) do not ~ until you are out of the wood. [f. prec.; or = **HALLOW**²]

háll'ow'¹ (-ò), n. Holy person, saint, (now only in all ~s, ~mas, feast of All-hallows, = **All Saints' Day**; *Hall'ow'e'en*, Sc., U.S., eve of this). [OE *hálga*, form of *hálīg* holy]

háll'ow'² (-ò), v.t. Make holy: honour as holy. [com.-Teut.: OE *hálġian*, G *heiligen*, f. *halag*- **HOLY**]

háll'ow'³ (-ò), v.t. & i. Chase with shouts; incite with shouts; shout to incite dogs etc. [ME *halowen* prob. f. OE *halloer*]

Hallstatt (*hahl'shtah*), a. (Used attrib.) relating to the civilization of a phase of the early iron age. |-, village in Upper Austria, where remains of this period were discovered]

hallu'cināte (-lō-), v.t. Produce false impressions in the mind of (person). [f. L (*hallucinari* wander in mind, see -**ATE**³)]

hallucinā'tion (-lō-), n. Illusion; apparent perception of external object not actually present. So **hallu'cinatory** (-lō-) a. [f. LL (*hallucinatio* (as prec., see -**ATION**)]

halm. See **HAULM**.

hāl'ma, n. Game played on board of 256 squares. [Gk, = *leap*, f. *hállomai* leap, see -**M**]

hāl'ō, n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. 1. Circle of light round luminous body, esp. sun or moon; circle, ring; disk of light surrounding head of saint, nimbus; (fig.) ideal glory investing person etc. 2. v.t. Surround with ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L f. Gk *halōs* threshing-floor, disk of sun or moon]

hāl'ogén, n. (chem.). Any of the group of elements fluorine, chlorine, bromine, & iodine, which form haloids by simple union with a metal (e.g. sodium chloride or common salt). [f. Gk *hals* salt + **-GEN**]

hāl'oid, a. & n. (chem.). (Salt) having a composition like that of common salt. [f. Gk *hals* salt + **-OID**]

halt' (*hawit*), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Temporary stoppage on march or journey; || railway stopping-place used for local services only and without regular station buildings etc. 2. v.i. Make a ~. 3. v.t. Cause (troops etc.) to ~. [(vb f. n.) orig. in phr. *make halt* f. G *halt machen* (halt hold)]

halt' (*hawit*), a. (arch.). Lame; crippled. [com.-Teut.: OE & Da. *halt*]

halt' (*hawit*), v.i., & n. Walk hesitatingly; hesitate, as ~ between two opinions; (of argument, verse, etc.) be defective; (arch.) be lame; (n., arch.) ~ing, limp. Hence ~**ingly**² adv. [(n. f. vb) OE *halian*, f. prec.]

hal'ter (*hawit*), n., & v.t. 1. Rope, strap, with noose or headstall for horses or cattle; rope with noose for hanging person; death by hanging; ~**break** v.t.,

accustom (horse) to ~. 2. v.t. Fasten (often up) with ~, hang (person) with ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *hælfre* f. root *halb*, whence **HELVE**]

halve (*hahv*), v.t. Divide into halves; share equally; reduce to half: (Golf) ~ a hole with, reach it in same number of strokes as (other player), ~ a match, win same number of holes; fit (crossing timbers) together by cutting out half thickness of each. [ME *halven*]

hāl'yard, **háll'iard**, **haul'yard**, n. (naut.). Rope, tackle, for raising or lowering sail, yard, etc. [orig. *hallyer* (**HALE** v., -**YER**)]

hām', n. Back of thigh, thigh & buttock; (formerly) bend of the knee; thigh of hog salted & dried in smoke or otherwise for food; ***(sl.)** inexperienced or ineffective actor (also attrib.). [OE, prob. f. OTeut. *ham*- be crooked]

hām'², n. (hist.). Town, village. [OE *hām* HOME; seen in *Oakhām* etc.]

hāmadrý'ad, n. (Gk Myth.) nymph living & dying with the trees inhabited; venomous Indian serpent; Abyssinian baboon. [f. L f. Gk *hamadruas* (*hama* with + *drus* tree)]

Hām'burgh (-bérġ, -buru), n. Black variety of grape; small variety of domestic fowl. [*Hamburg* in Germany]

hāmes, n. pl. Two curved pieces of wood or metal forming (part of) collar of draught horse. [cf. Du. *haam*]

Hām'ite', n. (Supposed) descendant of Ham, member of Egyptian or other African race. Hence **Hām'ite** a. [-**ITE**]

hām'ite'², n. Fossil cephalopod with hook-shaped shell. [f. L *hamus* hook, see -**ITE**]

hām'lét, n. Small village, esp. one without church. [f. OE *hamelet* dim. of *hamel* dim. f. Teut. (OE *hām* HOME)]

hammam (*hūmahm'*, *hūm'um*), n. Turkish bath or bathing establishment. [Arab.]

hām'm'er'¹, n. Instrument for beating, breaking, driving nails, etc., with solid (usu. metal) head at right angles to handle; machine with metal block serving same purpose; similar contrivance, as for exploding charge in gun (whence ~**LESS** a.), striking string of piano, etc.; auctioneer's mallet indicating by rap that article is sold; *come under the ~*, be sold by auction; *knight of the ~*, blacksmith; *throwing the ~*, athletic contest with heavy ~; ~ & *tongs*, with might & main; ~*beam* (projecting from wall at foot of principal rafter); ~*cloth* (covering driver's seat in coach; hist. unexpl.); ~*head*, head of ~, kind of shark, African bird; ~*lock*, hold in which a wrestler's arm is bent behind his back; ~*man*, ~*smith*, smith who works with ~; ~*tee* (permanently bent upwards). [com.-Teut.: OE & Du. *hamer*, G *hammer*]

häm'm'er¹, v.t. & i. Strike, beat, drive, (as) with hammer; (colloq.) inflict heavy defeat(s) on in war or games; ~ *out*, devise; ~ (force) *idea* into person's head; work hard at; || (St. Exch.) declare (person) a defaulter with three taps of hammer. [f. prec.]

häm'm'ock, n. Hanging bed of canvas or netting suspended by cords at ends, used esp. on board ship; ~ *chair* (made of canvas suspended on adjustable framework). [f. Sp. *hamaca* of Carib. orig.]

häm'per¹, n. Basketwork packing-case; consignment of eatables, wines, etc., however packed (usu. as a present: *Christmas* ~). [f. obs. *hanaper* f. OF *hanapier* case for goblet (*hanap* f. OFrank. **knapp*)]

häm'per¹, v.t., & n. 1. Obstruct movement of (person etc.) with material obstacles; (fig.) impede, hinder. 2. n. (naut.). Necessary but cumbersome part of equipment of vessel. [f]

Häm'p'ton Court (kört), n. (Used for) ~ Palace, now partly occupied by persons of rank in reduced circumstances, partly open to the public. [place]

häm'shackle, v.t. Shackle (horse etc.) with rope connecting head and foreleg. [f]

häm'ster, n. Rodent like large rat, with cheek-pouches for carrying grain to its winter store. [G]

häm'string, n., & v.t. (-*inged* or -*ung*). 1. (In man) one of five tendons at back of knee; (in quadrupeds) great tendon at back of knee in hind leg. 2. v.t. Cripple (person, animal) by cutting the ~s. [HAM¹] **häm'ülus**, n., (anat., zool., bot.; pl. -*ü*). Hook-like process. [L, dim. of *hamus* hook]

händ¹, n. 1. Terminal part of human arm beyond wrist; similar member of all four limbs of monkey; forefoot of quadruped. 2. Authority, disposal, as in the ~s of; agency, as by the ~s of, pass through many ~s; share in action, as have a ~ in it. 3. Pledge of marriage, as give one's ~ to. 4. (Usu. pl.) manual worker(s) of factory etc. 5. Person who does something, as a picture by the same ~; all ~s, the whole crew; a good ~ (skillful) at singletick or acrostics, an old parliamentary ~, an old ~ at test matches; person, source, from which thing comes, as first, second, ~ (at 1st etc. ~, directly, more or less indirectly; first etc. ~, of hearsay); cool ~. 6. Skill, as a ~ for pastry; style of workmanship; turn, innings, at cricket, billiards, etc. 7. Style of writing, as a legible ~; signature, as witness the ~ of A.B. 8. ~-like thing, esp. pointer of clock or watch (~ of BANANAS). 9. Fixed quantity of various commodities, e.g., bundle of tobacco leaves. 10. A lineal measure of horse's height, ~ 14 in. 11. (Cards) cards dealt to a player; player holding these, as first, third, ~. 12. (Theatr. sl.) applause.

13. At ~, close by, about to happen soon; by ~, by manual labour (*brought up by ~*, of child fed from bottle); for one's own ~, on one's own account; (*live*) from ~ to mouth, providently; in ~, held in the ~, at one's disposal, and control, receiving attention; off ~, without preparation, then & there; on in one's possession; on one's ~s, resting on one as a responsibility; on all ~s, to, from, all quarters; on the one ~, on the other ~, (of contrasted points of view etc.); out of ~, at once, extempore, (also) out of control; to ~, within reach; to one's ~, ready for one without exertion on one's own part; bear a ~, take part in; come to ~, turn up, be received; lay a ~s turn, make the slightest effort; do ~s on, touch, seize; take in ~, undertake; change ~s, (of property) pass from one person to another; clean ~s, (fig.) innocence; with a heavy ~, oppressively; with a high ~, boldly, arrogantly; have, keep, one's ~ in, be in practice; his ~ is out, he is out of practice; (win) ~s down, easily; ~s off!, do not touch; ~s up! (direction to persons to hold up their ~s as a sign of assent etc., or to preclude resistance); ~ in ~, with ~s mutually clasped; go ~ in ~ with, keep step with, lit. & fig.; ~ over ~ or flat, with each ~ successively passing over the other, as in climbing rope, (fig.) with steady or rapid progress (in overtaking etc.); ~ to ~, (of conflict etc.) at close quarters; bind one ~ & foot (completely), serve (person) ~ & foot (assiduously); be ~ in (or &) glove (intimate) with; ~- (opp. machine-, as ~-knitted, -sewn, -painted). 14. ~'bag (small, for carrying about); ~'ball, ball for throwing with ~, game played with this between two goals; ~'barrow (carried by ~); ~'bell, bell rung by ~, esp. one of a set for musical performance; ~'bill, printed notice circulated by ~; ~'book, short treatise, manual, guide-book; ~'carter, gentle canter; ~'cart (pushed or drawn by ~); ~'cuff v.t., secure with ~cuffs (pair of metal rings joined by short chain, for securing prisoner's ~s); || ~'fast(ing) (Sc.), betrothal; ~'gallop, easy gallop; ~'glass, magnifying glass held in ~, small mirror with handle; ~'grip, grasp, seizure with the ~ (friendly or hostile); ~'hold, something for the ~s to grip on (in climbing etc.); ~'line, fishing-line worked without rod; ~'made, made by ~ (esp. opp. to machine-made); || ~'maid(en), female servant (arch., exc. fig.); ~ of glory, charm made from mandrake root or embalmed ~ of executed felon [transl. of *F main de gloire*, corrupted f. *mandragore* mandrake]; ~'organ, portable barrel-organ with crank turned by ~; ~'roll, railing along edge of stairs etc.; ~'shake, shake of person's ~ with one's

own, as greeting; ~ *spike*, wooden lever shod with iron, used on shipboard & by artillery; ~ *writing*, writing with the ~, esp. of particular person. Hence (-) ~ *ED*¹, ~ *LESS*, aa. [com.-Teut.: OE *hand*, *ho-*, OHG *hant*]

hānd¹, v.t. Help (person) with the hand (*into, out of, carriage etc.*); (Naut.) take in (sail); deliver, transfer, by hand or otherwise (*over to person, down to succeeding generations, in at office, on, up, etc.*); ~ *off* (Rugby football), push off opponent with hand (also as v.t. and n.); ~ *out*, food or money given to beggar at the door. [f. prec.]

hānd'ful (-dŏl), n. (pl. ~s). Quantity that fills the hand; small number (of men etc.); (colloq.) troublesome person or task. [OE *handfull* (HAND¹, see -FUL)]

hān'dicāp, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Race, competition, in which chances of competitors are equalized by start, difference in weight to be carried (in horse-races), etc.; extra weight or other condition imposed on competitor; (fig.) hindrance. 2. v.t. Impose ~ on (competitor); (fig., of circumstances) place (person) at disadvantage. Hence ~ *PER*¹ n. [f]

hān'dicraft (-ahft), n. Manual skill; manual art or trade; ~ *man*, man who exercises a ~. [earlier *handcraft*]

hān'diwork (-wĕrk), n. Work done, thing made, by the hands or by anyone's personal agency. [OE *handgeworc* (HAND¹ + collect. form of *weorc* WORK)]

handkerchief (hāng'kerchif), n. Square of linen, silk, etc., carried in pocket (*pocket* ~) for wiping nose etc. or worn about neck (also *neck* ~, *neckerchief*); *throw the ~ to* (person), in certain games, to invite him to pursue), also, express condescending preference for (person). [HAND¹ + KERCHIEF]

hān'die¹, n. That part of a thing which is made to hold it by; ~ *bar* of bicycle etc., steering-bar with ~ at each end; ~ *of the face*, (joc.) nose; ~ *to one's name*, title; fact that may be taken advantage of. [OE (HAND¹ + -LX)]

hān'die², v.t. Touch, feel, with the hands; manipulate; manage (thing, person); treat (person *roughly, kindly, etc.*); treat of (subject); deal in (goods). [OE *hand-līan* (HAND¹), cf. G *handeln*]

hān(d)'sel (-ns-), n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Gift at beginning of New Year, or on entering on new circumstances; earnest-money; foretaste. 2. v.t. Give ~ to, inaugurate, be the first to try. [(vb f. a.); OE has *handelen* giving into a person's hands; Da. has *handel* earnest-money]

hānd'some (-ns-), a. Of fine form or figure; (of conduct etc.) generous, as a ~ *present, ~ treatment*; (prov.) ~ *is that ~ does*; (of price, fortune, etc.) considerable. Hence ~ *LY*¹ (-lī-) adv., ~ *NESS* (-ns-) n. [HAND¹, -some]

hān'dij, a. Ready to hand; convenient to handle; clever with the hands; ~ *dansty*, child's game in which one player guesses which of other player's hands conceals some object; ~ *man* (useful for odd jobs, often of sailors). Hence ~ *LY*¹ adv., ~ *NESS* n. [-Y¹]

hāng¹, v.t. & i. (*hūng*, exc. as below). 1. Suspend, attach loosely, (*from, to, hook or other object above*); suspend (meat, game) to dry (*hung beef*, so cured) or become tender or high. 2. Place (pictures) on wall (*hung on the line*, at best height for seeing; *HANGING committee* of Royal Academy etc.). 3. Attach (wall-paper); fit up (bells in house). 4. Suspend floating in space. 5. Rest (door on hinges, coach on springs) in free swinging position. 6. (past & p.p. ~ed). Suspend on gibbet as capital punishment; (as imprecation) ~ *! ~ it, ~ you, I'll be ~ed if —*. 7. Let droop, as ~ *the head* (from shame etc.). 8. Remain, be, suspended, lit. & fig., as *sword, punishment, ~s over his head, rogue shall ~ for it; ~s in the balance*, is undecided; *curtain ~s loose, in folds, etc.* 9. Decorate with (things suspended). 10. ~ (loiter) *about; ~ fire*, (of firearm) be slow in going off (also fig.); ~ *heavy*, (of time) pass slowly; ~ *on, depend, rely, on, attend carefully to* (& see below); ~ *back*, show reluctance to act or move; ~ (lag) *behind; ~ off, ~ back; ~ on, stick closely (to; & see above); ~ out, suspend from window etc., (intr.) protrude downwards, (sl.) reside; ~ together*, be coherent, be associated; ~ *up, suspend, (fig.) put aside, postpone indefinitely; ~ dog n. & a., base & sneaking (follow); ~ man, executioner; ~ nail, = AGNAIL; ~ over n. (sl.), unpleasant after-effects of (esp. alcoholic) dissipation. [(1) OE *hān* trans., cf. OHG *hāhan*, MDu. *haen*; (2) OE *hangian* intr., cf. OFris. *hangia*; (3) ON *hengja* causal, cf. MDu. *hengen*]*

hāng², n. Downward droop or bend; the way a thing hangs; *get the ~ of, get the knack of, understand*; (colloq.) *not a ~, not at all*. [f. prec.]

hāng'ar (or -ngg-), n. Shed for housing aeroplane etc. [F. = shed for carriages etc., etym. dub.]

|| **hāng'er**¹, n. Wood on side of steep hill. [OE *hangra* f. HANG¹]

hāng'er², n. In vbl senses, esp.: *bell, paper, ~*; loop etc. by which thing is hung; chain, rod, to which pot is hung in fireplace by pot-hook; stroke with double curve in writing ('L), cf. *pot-hook*; short sword, orig. hung from belt; ~ *on, follower, dependant*. [-EE¹]

hāng'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: *drapery with which walls etc. are hung; ~ ~ committees* (deciding on ~ of pictures in exhibition); a ~ *matter* (resulting in capital punishment). [-EE¹]

a. Circular loop or coil, esp. as

definite length of cotton yard (840 yds), worsted (560 yds), etc.; (Naut.) ring of rope, iron, etc., for securing staysails to stays. [14th c., cf. ON *hōnk* hank, Swed. *hank* string, Da. *hank* handle]

hānk'ér, v.i. Crave, long, after. Hence ~ING¹ n. [etym. dub.; Du. has *hunkeren*]

hānk'y, n. (colloq.). Handkerchief. [abbr.; see -Y²]

hānk'y-pānk'y, n. Jugglery; underhand dealing. [arbitrary, perh. on *hocus-pocus*]

Hān'over, n. *House of* ~, British sovereigns from George I to Victoria. [place]

Hāns (-s), n. (Nickname for) German or Dutchman. [G & Du. f. L *Johannes* John]

|| **Hān'sardize**, v.t. Confront (M.P.) with his former utterances recorded in Hansard (official report of proceedings in Parliament). [-IZE]

Hānse, n. (hist.). Guild of merchants; political and commercial league of Germanic towns, whence *Hānsēat* 'a. a.; entrance-fee of guild. [OF, f. OHG *hansa* company]

hān'som (cāb), n. Two-wheeled cabriolet for two inside, with driver mounted behind and reins going over roof. [*Hansom*, patentee, 1834]

Hān'well, n. (Used for) ~ Lunatic Asylum for county of London. [place]

hāp¹, n. (arch.). Chance, luck, lot; (w. pl.) chance occurrence. [ME, f. ON *happ*]

hāp², v.t. (arch.; -pp-). Come about by chance; happen (to do). [ME *happe(n)*, f. prec.]

hāp'āz *lēgōm'ēnon*, n. (pl. -ena). Word of which only one use is recorded. [Gk. = once said]

hāphāz'ard (-p-h-), n., a., & adv. Mere chance, esp. *at, by, ~*; casual(ly). [HAP¹ + HAZARD]

hāp'lēss, a. Unlucky. Hence ~LY² adv. [-LESS]

hāplōg'raphy, n. The mistake of writing once what should be written twice (e.g. *philology* for *philology*), cf. DITTOGRAPHY. [f. Gk *haplous* single + -GRAPHY]

hāp'lý, adv. (arch.). By chance; perhaps. [HAP¹ + -LY²]

|| **ha'p'orth**. See HALFPENNY.

hāpp'en, v.i. Come to pass (by chance or otherwise), whence ~ING¹ n. (usu. pl.); chance, have the fortune, *to* (do); come upon (person, thing) by chance; (euphem., of death) *if anything should ~ to me*, if I die. [ME (HAP¹ + -EN⁴)]

hāpp'y, a. (Of person or circumstance) lucky, fortunate; contented with one's lot; *I shall be ~ (pleased) to assist*; ~ *dispatch*, = foll.; ~ *FAMILY*; apt, felicitous (of language or conduct); (sl.) dazed (comb. *shell, ~*); ~-go-lucky, haphazard (adj.). Hence hāpp'ly² adv., hāpp'iness n. [f. HAP¹ + -Y²]

hāw'v'v, n. Suicide by disembowelling, as practised by higher classes in

Japan when in disgrace or sentenced to death, happy dispatch. [Jap. (vulg.), f. *hara* belly + *kiri* out]

harāngue' (-ng), n., & v.i. & t. Speech to an assembly; loud or vehement address; (v.i.) make ~; (v.t.) make ~ to. [(vb f. F *haranguer*) f. OF *arenge* f. med. L *harena* (It. *aringa*, cf. *aringo* arena)]

hā'ras (or *ahrah*), n. Breeding station for horses. [f. OF *haras*, etym. dub.; now usu. treated as F]

hā' rass, v.t. Vex by repeated attacks; trouble, worry. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *harasser*, perh. f. OF *harer* set a dog on]

hārb'inger (-j-), n., & v.t. One who announces another's approach, forerunner; (formerly) one sent to purvey lodgings for army, royal train, etc.; (v.t.) announce approach of. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *herbergere* f. *herberge* lodging f. OHG *heriberga* (*hari* army + *berga* shelter f. *bergen* protect)]

hārb'our (-ber), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Place of shelter for ships; shelter; ~-master, officer in charge of ~. 2. v.t. Give shelter to (esp. vermin, criminal, evil thoughts); (v.i.) come to anchor in ~. Hence ~LESS (-berl-) a. [(vb f. n.) ME *hereberge* (*here* army + *beorg* shelter)]

hārb'ourage (-ber-), n. (Place of) shelter. [-AGE]

hārd, a., n., & adv. 1. Firm, unyielding to touch, solid; ~ *cash*, specie, as opp. to paper currency; ~ *facts* (not disputable like opinions etc.); difficult (to do); ~ *nut to crack*, ~ *problem*, person ~ to make out or influence; ~ *of hearing*, somewhat deaf; difficult to understand or explain, as ~ *words, question*; (of person or conduct) unfeeling, harsh; involving undue or unfair suffering (~ *cases make bad law*); stingy; difficult to bear. as ~ *life, times, LINE's*; ~ (severe) *winter*; a ~ *bargain* (without concession); harsh, unpleasant, to eye or ear; ~ (of liquor) intoxicating, spirituous; ~ *water* (unfit for washing owing to its mineral salts); (of markets and prices) high, unyielding; (Phonetics) *k, t, and p, are ~ as opposed to g, d, & b, c is ~ in cat, g is ~ in go*; strenuous, as ~ *fight, ~ labour* (imposed on some criminals), ~ *row to hoe* (difficult task), ~ *worker*; ~ *swearing*, (euphem. for) unabashed perjury. 2. n. || Sloping roadway across foreshore; (sl.) = ~ *labour* (*got 2 years ~*). 3. adv. Strenuously, severely, as *try ~, raining ~, freezing ~, ~ pressed* (closely pursued); with difficulty, as ~ *earned* (cf. HARDLY), ~ *baked, -boiled* (so as to be ~); ~-*boiled*, (also, orig. U.S. colloq.) callous, ~-headed, tough; be ~ *put to it*, be in difficulties; *die ~* (only after ~ *struggle*); *it will go ~ with him* (prove to his disadvantage); *it shall go ~ but* (short of overpowering difficulties) *I will find them*; ~ *by*, close by; ~ (*upon*), too severe in criticism or treatment (*don't be too ~ on him*), (of circumstances) bearing

with undue severity on; ~ upon, close to; run (person) ~, pursue him closely.

4. ~ & fast, (of rules) strict; || ~bake, almond toffee; ~bitten, tough in fight; || ~core, heavy material forming foundation of road; ~court, lawn tennis court made of asphalt, concrete, etc. (opp. grass court); ~currency, one not likely to depreciate suddenly or fluctuate greatly in value, e.g. U.S. dollar; ~favoured, -featured, of harsh or ugly features; ~fisted, stingy; ~headed, practical, not sentimental; ~hearted, unfeeling, so ~heartedly, -ness; ~hit, severely troubled; ~laid, (of string, fabric, etc.) tightly twisted or woven; || ~lying money, extra pay granted to officers & men while serving in torpedo boats & other small craft; ~mouthed, (of horse) not easily controlled by bit (also fig.); ~set, set so as to be ~, (of egg) that has been subjected to incubation, (of person) hungry; ~shell, having a ~ shell, (fig.) rigid, uncompromising, esp. *Hardshell Baptists; ~tack, ship-biscuit; ~up, in want (esp. of money), at a loss for, (Naut., adv., of tiller) as far as possible to windward; ~ware, ironmongery; ~wareman, dealer in this; ~wood, wood of deciduous trees as opposed to pines and firs. Hence ~NESS n. [com.-Teut. adj.: OE heard, Du. hard, G hart, cf. Gk kratús strong; OE adv. heardé]

hard'en, v.t. & i. Make or become hard, callous (esp. in p.p.), or robust. [-EN¹]

hard'hood, n. Boldness, audacity. [f. HARDY a. +HOOD]

hard'ly, adv. In a hard manner; with difficulty; harshly; scarcely; ~earned, earned with difficulty or (occ.) ease. [-LY²]

hard'ship, n. Hardness of fate or circumstance; severe suffering or privation. [-SHIP]

hard'y¹, a. Bold, audacious, whence ~LY² adv.; robust, capable of endurance; (Hort. of plants) able to grow in the open air all the year; half ~y, requiring shelter in winter only; ~y annual, one that may be sown, or sows itself, in the open, (fig.) subject that comes up yearly. Hence ~INESS n. [f. F hardi p.p. of hardir f. WG hardjan make HARD]

hard'y², n. Blacksmith's bar of hard iron for cutting metal on etc. [prob. f. prec. or HARD]

häre, n. || Rodent quadruped with long ears, short tail, & divided upper lip; mad as a March ~ (~ in breeding season); (prov.) first catch your ~ (then cook him); hold (or run) with the ~ & run (or hunt) with the hounds, keep in with both sides; ~ & hounds, paper-chase; ~bell (-äb-), round-leaved bell-flower, also (see BLUE-bell) wild hyacinth; ~brained, rash, wild; ~lip (-ärl-), fissure of upper lip; ~s-foot, species of clover, (also) corkwood tree, (also) ~s foot used for applying rouge

etc. to face. [com.-Teut.: OE hara, Du. haas, G hase]

här'am, -am, n. Women's part of Mohammedan dwelling-house; its occupants; (usu. -am) Mohammedan sacred place. [f. Arab. haram, -im, prohibited f. harama prohibit; also hareem' -im (-äm)]

här'icot (-kö), n. Ragout (usu. of mutton); ~ (bean), French bean. [F, etym. dub.]

härk, v.i. & t. Listen (usu. to, rarely trans.; also abs. in imper.); (as call to hounds) go forward, away, off, etc.; ~back, (of hounds) retrace course to find scent, (fig.) revert (to subject), (trans.) recall (hounds). [ME herkien, cf. MDu. horken, G hochen]

här'l¹, v.t. & i. (Sc.). Drag along the ground; drag oneself along; rough-cast with lime and small gravel. [?]

här'l(e)², n. Barb, fibre, of feather. [prob. =MLG herle, harle, fibre of flax or hemp]

Härlei'an (-lë-), a. Of (the library of) Robert Harley Earl of Oxford, d. 1724. [-EAN]

här'l'équin, n. 1. Character in Italian comedy; mute character in English pantomime, invisible to clown & pantaloons, usu. wearing particoloured tights; buffoon. 2. (Also ~duck) northern duck with variegated plumage. [F, f. It. arlecchino, etym. dub.]

här'léquinade', n. Part of pantomime in which harlequin plays chief part. [f. F arlequinade (as prec., see -ADE)]

Här'l'ey Street, n. London street associated with fashionable physicians.

här'ot, n., & v.i. Prostitute; (v.i.) play the ~. Hence ~RY(4) n. [(vb f. n.) orig. masc.=vagabond, knave, f. OF (h)ariot, lad, knave, vagabond, =It. arlotto hedge-priest; etym. dub.]

här'm, n., & v.t. Damage, hurt, (out of ~s way, in safety). Hence ~FUL, ~LESS (doing no ~), aa., ~fully¹, ~lessly², adv., ~fulness, ~lessness, nn. [(vb f. OE hearman f. n.) com.-Teut.: OE harm, G harm, Da. harmc]

här'mätt'an, n. Parching land-wind on coast of Upper Guinea in Dec., Jan., & Feb. [f. W.-Afric. harmata]

här'môn'ic, a. & n. 1. Harmonious, concordant; relating to harmony; ~tones (produced by vibration of aliquot parts of strings etc.); ~quantities (whose reciprocals are in arithmetical progression, as 1, 1/2, or as 12, 15, 20), ~progression, series of these. 2. n. ~tone. Hence här'môn'ically adv. [f. L f. Gk harmonikos (as HARMONY, see -IO)]

här'môn'ica, n. Name of several musical instruments; *mouth organ. [L fem. adj. as prec.]

här'môn'ious, a. Concordant, forming a consistent or agreeable whole; free from dissent; sweet-sounding; singing, playing, tunelessly. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F harmoneux (as HARMONY)]

harm'onist, *n.* Person skilled in harmony; musician; collator of parallel narratives, whence ~is'tic *a.*; harmonizer. [*f.* HARMONIZE, see -IST]

harm'onium, *n.* Keyboard instrument in which notes are produced by air blown through reeds. [*F.* as HARMONY]

harm'onize, *v.t. & i.* Bring into, be in, harmony (*with*); make, be, agreeable in artistic effect; add notes to (melody) to form chords. Hence ~ATION *n.* [*f.* *F* harmoniser (as HARMONY, see -IZE)]

harm'onôm'eter, *n.* Instrument measuring harmonic relations of notes. [*f.* *F* harmonomètre (as foll., see -METER)]

harm'oný, *n.* Agreement; pre-established ~ (between body & soul before their creation); agreeable effect of apt arrangement of parts; combination of simultaneous notes to form chords (cf. MELODY); sweet or melodious sound; collation of parallel narratives etc., esp. of the four Gospels. [*f.* *F* harmonie *f.* *L f.* *Gk* harmonia (harmoni-join)]

harn'ess, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Gear of draught horse or other animal; (fig.) working equipment; in ~, in the routine of daily work; apparatus in loom for shifting warp-threads; (Hist.) defensive armour; ~-case (with rimmed cover, for keeping salt meat on board ship). 2. *v.t.* Put ~ on (horse etc.); (fig.) utilize (river, waterfall, natural forces) for motive power. [(*vb f.* OF *harneschier*) *f.* OF *harnais* (It. *arnese*), etym. dub.]

harp¹, *n.* Stringed musical instrument, roughly triangular, played with the fingers. [com.-Teut.: OE *hearpe*, Du. *harp*, G *harfe*]

harp², *v.i.* Play on harp, whence ~ER¹, ~IST, *nn.*; dwell tediously on (subject). [OE *harpian* (as prec.)]

harp'oon¹, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Spear-like missile with rope attached, for catching whales etc.; ~-gun (for firing this). 2. *v.t.* Strike, spear, with ~. [(*vb f. n.*) *f.* *F* *harpon* (*harpe* clamp *f. L f.* *Gk* *harpe* sickle)]

harp'sichord (-k-), *n.* Keyboard instrument with strings plucked by quill or leather points, used 16th-18th c. [*f.* obs. *F* *harpechorde* (LL *harpa* harp + *chorde* string)]

harp'y, *n.* (Gk & L Myth.) rapacious monster with woman's face & body & bird's wings & claws; rapacious person; ~-eagle, S.-Amer. bird of prey. [*f.* *L f.* *Gk* *harpyia* pl. (cf. *harpazo* snatch)]

harp'uebus, *ar-*, *n.* (hist.). Early type of portable gun, supported on tripod by hook or on forked rest. So ~IER¹ *n.* [*f.* *F* *harquebuse* *f.* It. *arcobugio* corrupt. (as if = arco bow + *bugio* hollow) of MHG *hakenbüchse* (*haken* hook + *büchse* gun)]

harridan, *n.* Haggard old woman, vixen. [perh. *f.* *F* *haridelle* old jade]

harr'ier¹, *n.* One who harries. [-ER¹]

harr'ier², *n.* Round used for hunting

hare; (pl.) pack of these with huntmen (also as name of hare-&hounds club); kind of falcon. [perh. = prec.]

Hä'rris tweed, *n.* Kind made in Harris in the Hebrides.

Harrö'vian, *a. & n.* (Member) of Harrow school; (inhabitant) of Harrow. [-IAN]

hå'rrow¹ (-ö), *n.* Heavy frame with iron teeth for breaking clods on ploughed land, covering seed, etc.; under the ~, in distress. [ME *harwe*, etym. dub.]

hå'rrow² (-ö), *v.t.* Draw harrow over (land); lacerate, wound, (lit., & fig. the feelings etc.), whence ~ING¹ (-öi-) *a.* [*f.* prec.]

hå'rrow³ (-ö), *v.t.* Harry, spoil, (chiefly in phr. ~ hell, of Christ). [var. of foll.]

hå'rry, *v.t.* Ravage, waste, spoil, (land, or abs.); despoil (person); harass, worry. [OE *hergian* *f.* OTeut. *harjōjan* (harjo-army)]

hårsh, *a.* Rough to the touch, taste, eye, or ear; repugnant to feelings or judgement; cruel, unfeeling. Hence ~LY¹ *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [ME *harsk*, cf. Swed. *hårsk*, Da. *harsk*, rank, G *harsch* harsh]

hårt, *n.* Male of (esp. red) deer, esp. after fifth year; ~ of ten (branches on horns); ~s-tongue, fern with slender undivided fronds. [OE *heort* *f.* OTeut. *herut* - perh. conn. w. Gk *kerat* - horn]

hårt'al, *n.* Closing of Indian shops as political gesture or mark of sorrow. [Hindi]

hårt'(é)beest, *n.* S.-African kind of antelope. [S.-Afr. Du.]

hårts'hörn (-s-h-), *n.* Substance got from horns of hart, formerly chief source of ammonia; (*spirít of*) ~, aqueous solution of ammonia; salt of ~, smelling-salts.

hår'um-scar'um, *a. & n.* Reckless (person, conduct). [arbitrary]

hårv'est, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. (Season for) reaping & gathering in of grain or other products; corn-crop; season's yield of any natural product; (fig.) product of any action; ~-bug, mite troublesome during ~; ~ festival, thanksgiving service for ~; ~ home, close of ~ing, festival of this; ~ moon (full within fortnight of Sep. 22 or 23); ~ mouse, small species, nesting in stalks of growing grain. 2. *v.t.* Reap & gather in (crop, or abs.), lay up, husband. [(*vb f. n.*) OE *harfest* *f.* OTeut. *harbistōs* (harb- = L *carpere* pluck)]

hårv'ester, *n.* Reaper; reaping-machine (esp. sheaf-binding); harvest-bug. [-ER¹]

has. See HAVE¹.

hås-been (-z-), *n.* (colloq.). Person who, thing which, has lost a quality or proficiency formerly possessed, a back number. [HAVE¹]

håsh¹, *v.t.* (Also ~ up) cut (meat, also fig.) in small pieces. [*f.* *F* *hacher* (*hache* HATCHET)]

håsh², *n.* Dish of hashed meat; old mutton served up in new form; messily;

make a ~ of, spoil in dealing with; settle person's ~, make an end of, do for, him. **hāsh'ish**, -eesh, n. Top leaves & tender parts of hemp, dried for smoking or chewing, in Arabia, Egypt, Turkey, etc. (cf. *ḥanṣ*). [Arab. *hashish* dry herb]

hās'lēt, **hārs'**, n. Piece of meat to be roasted, esp. pig's fry. [f. OF *hastelet* (*haste* spit f. L *hasta* spear, -LET)]

hasp (hah-), n., & v.t. Fastening contrivance, esp. clasp passing over staple & secured by padlock; hank, skein, of yarn; (v.t.) fasten with ~. [(vb f. OE *hæpsian* f.) OE *hæpse*, cf. OHG *haspa* reelful of yarn, MHG *haspa* hinge]

hass'ock, n. Cushion for kneeling; tuft of matted grass etc.; || (in Kent) soft calcareous sandstone. [OE *hassuc*, etym. dub.]

hās'tāte, a. Spear-shaped. [f. L *hastatus* (*hasta* spear, see -ATE)]

hāste, n., & v.i. 1. Urgency of movement; hurry, precipitancy, as *more ~, less speed*; make ~, be quick (to do, & do). 2. v.i. Make ~ (to do, or abs.). [(vb f. OF *haster*) f. OF *haste* f. WG **haistiv-* violence]

hā'sten (-sn), v.t. & i. Cause (person) to make haste; accelerate (work etc.); make haste; come or go in haste (to etc.). [-EN⁴]

hās'tī, a. Hurried; speedy; rash, inconsiderate; quick-tempered; || ~y *pudding* (of flour stirred to thick batter in boiling milk or water). Hence ~LY² adv., ~INNESS n. [f. OF *hasti*, for -īf (as *HASTE*¹, see -IVE)]

hāt, n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Man's, woman's, outdoor head-covering, usu. with brim (cf. *BONNET*, *CAP*); top, high, chimney-pot, ~, cylindrical silk ~; opera ~ (cylindrical compressible); cardinal's or red ~, (fig.) office of cardinal; ~ in hand, servilely; send round the ~, solicit contributions; talk through one's ~ (sl.), boast or bluff or exaggerate; as black as my ~, quite black; ~band (put round ~); ~block (for moulding ~ on); ~ trick, (Cricket) taking 3 wickets by successive balls, (transf.) scoring of 3 goals by same player, winning of 3 races, etc.; || bad ~ (sl.), immoral or dishonourable person. 2. v.t. Cover, furnish, with ~. Hence ~FUL, ~t'ER¹ (s); as mad as a ~ter, nn., ~LESS a. [(vb f. n.) OE *hæt* f. OTeut. *hatus* (*had-*, *hōd-*, whence *HOOD*)]

hātch¹, n. Lower half of divided door; aperture in door, wall, floor, or deck; (Naut.) ~way, trap-door covering this; under ~es, below deck, (fig.) down out of sight, brought low, dead; floodgate; ~way, opening in ship's deck for lowering cargo. [OE *hæc*, *hec*, cf. Du. *hek*, Da. *hakke*]

hātch², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Bring forth (young birds etc., or abs.) from egg; incubate (egg); emerge from egg; (of egg) produce young; contrive & develop (plot etc.). 2. n. ~ing, breed ~ed, ~ee, ~ches,

matches, & *dispatches*, newspaper list of births, engagements, marriages, & deaths. [(n. f. vb) ME *hacchen*, etym. dub.]

hātch³, v.t., & n. 1. Engrave (usu. parallel) lines on (surface); (Archit.) ~ed moulding (with two crossing sets of parallel lines). 2. n. Engraved line. [(n. f. vb) f. F *hacher* (as *HATCHET*)]

hātch'ery, n. Place for hatching fish & chickens. [-ERY]

hātch'ēt, n. Light short-handled axe; ~- (narrow, sharp) face; BURY the ~; throw the ~, exaggerate; throw the helve after the ~, add new loss to that already incurred. [f. F *hachette* dim. of *hache* f. OHG **happia* sickle]

hātch'ment, n. Escutcheon; tablet with deceased person's armorial bearings, affixed to front of his house. [corrupt. of *ACHIEVEMENT*]

hāt¹, n. (chiefly poet.). Hatred; (army sl.) morning etc. ~, enemy bombardment customary at dawn etc. [OE *hete* f. OTeut. *hatos*]

hāt², v.t. Have strong dislike of; bear malice to. Hence **hāt'able** a. [OE *hatian* (root *hat-*, whence *prec.*)]

hāt'ful (-tf-), a. Exciting hatred. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

hāth. Arch. 3rd sing. pres. of HAVE¹.

hāt'réd, n. Active dislike; enmity, ill-will. [ME (*HATE*¹ + -red = OE *rædan* condition)]

hāt'tī, n. Turkish edict made irrevocable by Sultan's mark. [in full *hattiashirif* (-šf), *hattihamayun* (-hōmah'ūn), f. Pers. *khāṭṭishirif*, -*humayun*, sacred writing]

haub'erk, n. Coat of mail. [f. OF *hauberc* f. OHG *halsberg* (*hals* neck + -*bergen* cover)]

|| **haugh** (hahχ, hahf), n. Piece of flat alluvial land by river. [perh. f. OE *heath* corner]

haught'ī (-awt-), a. Proud, arrogant; dignified. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INNESS n. [extension of older *haught* a. f. F *haut* f. L *altus* high, -r¹]

haul, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Pull, drag, forcibly; transport by cart or other conveyance; pull at, upon, (rope etc.); (Naut.) turn ship's course; ~ upon the wind, bring ship round to sail closer to wind; (of wind) shift. 2. n. ~ing, (fig.) amount gained, acquisition. Hence ~AGE(s) n. [(n. f. vb) var. of HALE v.]

|| **haul'fer**, n. One who hauls (esp. tubs in coal-mine to bottom of shaft); jobbing carter. [f. prec., see -YER]

|| **ha(u)lm** (hawm, hahm), n. Stalk, stem; (collect. sing.) stems, stalks, of peas, beans, potatoes, etc., without the pods etc. [OE *hælm*, cf. G & Da. *halm*, Sk. *halmas*, root]

haunch (haw-, hah-), n. Part of body (of men & quadrupeds) between last ribs & thigh; leg & loin of deer etc. as food; side

of arch between crown & piers. [f. OF *hanche* = med. L *hancha* prob. of G orig., cf. OHG *ancha* joint, leg]

haunt, v.t. & i. & n. 1. Frequent (place); frequent company of (person); (of thoughts etc.) visit (person) frequently; (p.p.) visited, frequented, by ghosts; stay habitually (in, about, place, with person). 2. n. Place of frequent resort, usual feeding-place of animals, den frequented by criminals. [(n. f. vb) f. F *hanter*, etym. dub.]

haut'boy (hōb-), **hō'boy**, **ōb'oe** (-bō), n. Wood-wind double-reed instrument of treble pitch; reed-stop on organ imitating this; tall species of strawberry. [f. F *haulbois* (*haut* high + *bois* wood)]

haute école (ōt'ākōl), n. The more difficult feats of horsemanship. [F, = high school]

hauteur (hōtēr', & see Ap.), n. Haughtiness of manner. [F]

haut goût (hōgōō'), n. Taint, high flavour. [F, = seasoning, lit. high flavour]

Havā'n's, n. Cigar made at Havana or in Cuba. [place]

have¹ (or hav), v.t. & i. & auxil. (Pres.: I have, arch. thou *hast*, he has, pr. *hāz*, haz, arch. he *hāth*, we, you, they, have; past *had*, pr. *hād*, had, arch. 2nd sing. *hādst*; p.p. *had*; abbr. I've, we've, etc., I'd, we'd, etc., 's=has; colloq. neg. haven't, hasn't, hadn't). Hold in possession; experience the existence of (persons etc. in various relations), as I ~ two sons, no uncle, no equals; possess, contain, as appendage, part, quality, etc., as June has 30 days, trees ~ leaves, it has its advantages; enjoy, suffer, as I had that pleasure, a toothache, no fear; permit (person) to, as I will not ~ you say such things; know, as he has no Greek; be burdened with, as I had my work to do; be obliged, as I had to do my work; retain, as ~ this in mind; entertain, as ~ no doubt; show by action etc. that one possesses, as ~ the impudence to say; engage in, carry on, as had some conversation, ~ a game, ~ a try (make an attempt); he will ~ it (maintains) that; as Plato has (expresses) it; obtain, receive, take (food), as we had news, ~ an egg; the Ayes ~ it (~ the advantage); let him ~ it, punish or reprimand him; I had him there (gained advantage over him); || (sl.) you ~ been had (cheated); ~ him (cause him to be) shot; ~ him up, cause him to be brought before court of justice; I had my leg broken (experienced such breakage); ~ it your own way (form of refusal to argue further); he has had it (sl.), he is a fatal casualty, (also) he is now a back number; ~ at, make attack upon; ~ done, stop; ~ on, be wearing (clothes); ~ it out, settle dispute (with person) by discussion etc., (also) get tooth extracted; ~ nothing on (person), ~ no advantage over; (in past subj., =

would ~) had rather (would prefer to) go, had better go, would act more wisely in going; (auxiliary) I ~, had, shall ~, packed, my packing is, was, will be, complete, had I (if I had) known etc. [com.-Teut.: OE *habban*, Du. *hebben*, G *haben*, perh. conn. w. L *habēre*]

håve², n. ~s & ~nots, rich & poor; || (sl.) a swindle, take-in. [f. prec.]

håv'en, n. Harbour, port; (fig., often ~ of rest) refuge. [OE *hæfen*, cf. Du. *haven*, G *hafen*; perh. f. root of HAVE or HEAVE]

håv'ersäck, n. (Soldier's) stout canvas bag for provisions. [f. F *haversac* f. G *habersack* (*haber* oats + *sack* 's)]

håv'ildar, n. Sepoy officer corresponding to sergeant. [f. Pers. *hāvildār* (Arab. *hawalah* charge + Pers. *dār* holder)]

håv'ing, n. In vbl senses; also, property, belongings, (often pl.). [-ing¹]

håv'oc, n., & v.t. (~king, ~ked). Devastation, destruction, as make ~ of, play ~ among; cry ~, give signal to army to seize spoil (now fig.); (v.t.) devastate (often abs.). [(vb f. n.) f. AF *havok* f. OF *havot*, prob. of Teut. orig.]

haw¹, n. (Fruit of) hawthorn; (Hist.) hedge, enclosure; ~buck, country bumpkin; ~finch, common grosbeak. [OE *haga*, cf. Du. *haag* hedge, G *hag* hedge, bush]

haw², n. Third eyelid of horse, dog, etc., cartilage within inner corner of eye. [?]

haw-haw¹, int. & n. Boisterous laugh. Hence **haw'haw** v.i. [imit.]

haw'haw², = HA-HA.

hawk¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Bird of prey used in falconry, with rounded wings shorter than falcon's; know a ~ from a handsaw (perh. corrupt of HEENSAW), have ordinary discernment (see *Haml.* II. ii. 397); rapacious person; ~eyed, keen-sighted; ~moth, sphinx-moth; ~nosed, with aquiline nose; ~s-bill, kind of turtle.

2. v.i. Hunt game with ~; (v.i. & t.) ~ (at), attack as ~ does, (of swallows etc.) hunt insects. Hence ~ish¹, ~like, aa. [(vb f. n.) OE *habuc*, cf. Du. *havik*, G *habicht*, perh. f. root *haf*-seize]

hawk², v.t. Carry (goods) about for sale (often fig.). [prob. f. HAWKER]

hawk³, v.i. & t. Clear the throat noisily; bring (phlegm etc.) up from throat. [prob. imit.]

hawk⁴, n. Plasterer's square board with handle. [?]

hawk'er, n. One who hawks goods about. [prob. f. MLG *hoker* (G *höker*, Du. *heuker*) perh. f. *hocken* carry on one's back]

hawse (-z), n. Part of ship's bows in which ~holes are cut for cables; space between head of anchored vessel & anchors: situation of cables before ship's stem when moored with two anchors out from forward, one on starboard, other

on port bow. [16th c. *haw(w)se*, prob. f. ON *hals* neck]

haws'er (-s, -z), n. (naut.). Large rope, small cable, now often of steel. [prob. f. OF *haucier* hoist f. LL *altiare* (altus high)]

haw/thorn, n. Thorny shrub, with white, red, or pink blossom & small dark red berry, the *haw*¹. [OE *hagathorn* (as *haw*¹, see *THORN*)]

hay, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Grass mown & dried for fodder; *Burgundian* ~, Lucerne; *look for a needle in a BOTTLE*² (or *bundle*) of ~; *make* ~, turn it over for exposure to sun; *make* ~ of, throw into confusion; *make* ~ while the sun shines, seize opportunities. 2. ~box (stuffed with ~, in which heated food is left to continue cooking); ~cock, conical heap of ~; ~ fever, summer disorder usu. with asthmatic symptoms, caused by pollen or dust; ~fork (for turning over or loading ~); ~maker, one who lifts, tosses, & spreads ~ after mowing, instrument for shaking & drying ~, (sl.) swinging blow; ~rick, ~stack, regular pile of ~ with pointed or ridged top; ~seed (colloq.), a rustic, hick; *~wire, anything tangled (go ~wire, become excited or distracted). 3. v.t. Put (land) under ~, make into ~; (v.l.) make ~. [(vb f. n.) com.-Tent.: OE *hæg*, Du. *hooi*, G *heu*, f. st. of *HEW*]

hay'ward (-ŏrd), n. Officer of parish etc. in charge of fences & enclosures. [obs. *hay* hedge (as *haw*¹) + *WARD*]

haz'ard, n., & v.t. 1. Game at dice, with complicated chances; chance; danger; at all ~s (risks); each of winning openings in tennis-court; || (Billiards) *winning* ~, striking object ball into pocket, *losing* ~, pocketing own ball off another; (Golf) any kind of bad ground, e.g. bunker; || (in Ireland) cab-stand. 2. v.t. Expose to ~, run the ~ of; venture on (action, statement, guess). [(vb f. F *hasarder*) f. OF *hasard*, prob. of Arab. orig.]

haz'ardous, a. Risky; dependent on chance. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-OUS]

haze¹, n., & v.t. 1. Obscuration of atmosphere near earth, often arising from heat; (fig.) mental obscurity or confusion. 2. v.t. Make hazy. [†]

haze², v.t. (naut.). Harass with overwork, *bully. [cf. OF *haser* harass, worry]

haz'el, n. Bush whose fruit is the ~nut; (stick of) its wood; reddish-brown colour (esp. of eyes); WYCH~. Hence ~LY² a. [OE *hæsel*, cf. Du. *hazel*, G *hasel*]

haz'y, a. Misty; vague, indistinct; slightly drunk. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [etym. dub.; known earlier than *HAZE*¹]

he¹, pron. (obj. *him*, poss. *his*, pl. *they*, obj. *them*, poss. *their*), & n. (pl. *hes*). 1. pron. The male person in question. 2. n.

Male; (attrib. esp. of animals) *he-goat* etc.; **he-man*, masterful or virile man. [OE, cogn. w. OFris. *hi*, *he*; High G & Goth. use st. i-]

he², int. expr. amusement or derision (often repeated, *he he*). [In many langg.]

head¹ (hæd), n. 1. Anterior part of body of animal, upper part of man's body, containing mouth, sense-organs, and brain; (as measure) *taller by a ~*, (Horse-racing) *won by a ~*; *cannot make ~ or tail of* (understand). 2. Seat of intellect or imagination; natural aptitude or talent (*a good ~ for business*). 3. ~ache, esp. as result of overnight intoxication (colloq.). 4. Life, as *it cost him his ~*. 5. Image of ~, esp. on one side of coin (opp. to *tail*), as ~s *I win, tails you lose*. 6. Antlers of deer, as *deer of the first ~* (when antlers are first developed). 7. Person, as *crowned ~s*, *some hot ~* (hasty person); individual, as *twopence a ~ or per ~*, esp. of cattle, as *every ~ of cattle, twenty ~*; *large ~* (number) of game; *good ~* (stock) of shell. 8. Thing like ~ in form or position, e.g. cutting or striking part of tool, knobbed end of nail etc.; (of plants) compact mass of leaves or flowers at top of stem. 9. Foam on top of liquor; || cream on top of milk. 10. Top (of mast, staircase, page, etc.). 11. Matured part of boil etc. 12. Upper end; end of lake at which river enters it; end of bed at which one's ~ rests; FOUNTAIN~. 13. Body of water kept at height for mill etc.; pressure (per unit of area) of confined body of steam etc. 14. Front (of procession, army, etc.); front part of plough, holding the share; bows of ship, as *by the ~*, with ~ lower in water than stern, (fig.) slightly drunk. 15. Promontory, as *Beachy H.*. 16. Underground passage for working coal mine. 17. Ruler, chief, (often attrib.); master of college; ~ master of school. 18. Position of command, as *at the ~ of*. 19. Main division in discourse; category. 20. Culmination, crisis, as *come to a ~*. 21. (Naut.) seamen's latrine in ship's bows. 22. Phrases: *old ~ on young shoulders*, wisdom in the young; *put thing out of one's ~*, cease to think of it, give up the idea of it; *put thing out of person's ~*, make him forget it (*something put it out of my ~*); *off one's ~*, crazy; *on one's ~* (of vengeance falling, guilt resting, on person); (*stand etc.*) *on one's ~*, with feet in air (*could do it on my ~*, sl., find it quite easy); *out of one's own ~*, from one's own invention; *over one's ~*, above one, esp. fig. of danger impending etc., (also) beyond one's comprehension, as *he talks over our ~s*, (also) *person is promoted over another's ~* (who has prior claim); *by the ~ & ears*, forcibly (esp. of dragging in a story); *over ~ & ears*, *from ~ to foot*, all over the person; ~ of *hair*, the hair on the ~, esp. when copious;

~ over heels, topsy-turvy; by ~ & shoulders, = by ~ & ears, (also) considerably (taller, & fig. of mental or moral stature); keep one's ~, keep calm; keep one's ~ above water, (fig.) keep out of debt; lose one's ~, be beheaded, (also) become confused; make ~, press forward; make ~ against, resist successfully; put (thing) into person's ~, suggest it to him; ~ first or foremost, with the ~ foremost (of plunge etc.), (fig.) precipitately; give (horse) his ~, let him go freely; lay (our etc.) ~s together, consult together; talk person's ~ off, weary him with talk; beat person's ~ off, outdo him thoroughly; (prov.) two ~s (minds) are better than one. 23. Comb.: ~ache, continuous pain in ~, (colloq.) troublesome problem; ~achy (-ki), suffering from, producing, this; ~ & front, essence (of offence etc.; but cf. *Oth.* I. iii. 80), (pop.) leader, ringleader; ~band, band worn round ~; ~borough (hist.), petty constable; ~dress, covering (esp. woman's ornamental attire) for the ~; ~fast, rope at ~ of vessel to make her fast to wharf etc.; ~gear, hat, cap, ~dress; ~hunter, savage who collects ~s of his enemies as trophies; ~land, promontory, (also) strip left unploughed at end of field; ~light, powerful light carried on front of locomotive, car, or aeroplane, or at mast-head of ship; ~line, line at top of page containing title etc., title or sub-title in newspaper, (pl., also) || summary at beginning of BBC news bulletin; ~man, chief man, chief of tribe etc.; || ~master, mistress, principal master, mistress, of school; ~money (paid for or by each person); ~on (adj.), involving the meeting ~ to ~ of two vehicles (a ~ on collision), or of the ~ of a vehicle with stationary object; ~on' (adv.), with the ~ pointed directly towards some object; ~ophone, (in wireless and other telephony) telephone receiver fitting over ~; ~piece, helmet, (also) intellect, man of intellect, (also) ornamental engraving at ~ of chapter etc. in book; ~quarters, (Mil.) commander-in-chief's residence, (gen.) centre of operations; ~spring, main source of stream (also fig.); ~stall, part of bridle or halter that fits round ~; ~stock, bearings of revolving parts in machine; ~stone, gravestone; ~stone, chief stone in foundation (also fig.); ~voice, one of higher registers of voice in singing or speaking; ~way, progress, (of ship) rate of progress, (Archit.) height of arch etc.; ~wind (meeting one directly in front); ~work, mental work. Hence (-) ~ed, ~less, aa. (héd-). [com.-Teut.: OE *hēafod*, Du. *hoofd*, G *haupt*; connexion w. L *caput* doubtful]

head² (héd), v.t. & i. Furnish with head; (also ~down) lop off head of (plant, tree); be, form, the head of; place name etc., (of name etc.) be placed, at the head of

(chapter, list, etc.); come to a head, develop; be, put oneself, at the head of (a company etc.); lead; excel; oppose; go round the head of (lake etc.); (Footb.) strike (ball) with head; ~back, off, get ahead of so as to turn back, aside; (intr.) front (in named direction); (of ship) make for (place, point). [f. prec.]

-head, -hood, suff. forming nn. of condition or quality on nn. & aa. An independent noun appearing in Goth. as *haidus* manner, way, gives OHG *-heit* & the E suff. (1) *-head*, ME *-hede*, *-héd*, first joined to aa. but extended to nn. & finally giving place to *-hood* exc. in a few wds such as *godhead*, *maidenhead*, (distinct in meaning 1. *godhood*, *maidenhood*). (2) *-hood*, ME *-hod*, OE *-hūd*, orig. noun = person, personality, condition, quality; then as suf. to nn. & later to adjl., both in new formations & to replace *-head*.

head'er (héd-), n. One who puts heads on casks etc.; brick, stone, laid at right angle to face of wall (cf. *STRETCHER*); plunge head first. [-ER¹]

head'ing (héd-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (Footb.) striking ball with head; title etc. at head of page etc.; horizontal passage in preparation for tunnel. [-ING¹]

head'lóng (héd-), adv. & a. Head foremost (in falling etc.); precipitate(ly); impetuous(ly). [earlier *headling* (HEAD¹ + -LING²), assim. to -LONG]

head'most (héd-), a. Foremost.

heads'man (héd-), n. One who beheads; man in command of whaling boat, [HEAD¹ + ES + MAN]

head'stróng (héd-), a. Violently self-willed. Hence ~NESS n. [=strong in head]

head'y (héd-), a. (Of person, thing, action) impetuous, violent; (of liquor etc.) apt to intoxicate. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

heal, v.t. & i. Restore (person, wound) to health (lit. & fig.); cure (person of disease); (of wound) become sound or whole; ~all, universal remedy (pop. name of various plants). Hence ~ER¹ n. (*time is a great ~er*). [com.-Teut.: OE *hælan*, Du. *heelen*, G *heilen*, cogn. w. HALE, WHOLE]

health (hél-), n. Soundness of body (also fig.); condition of body, as good, bad, ~; ~officer, officer of ~, (charged with administering ~ laws etc.); toast drunk in person's honour; BILL¹ of ~. [OE *healh*, cogn. w. HALE, see -HE¹]

health'ful (hél-), a. Health-giving; conducive to moral or spiritual welfare. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

health'y (hél-), a. Having good health (lit. & fig.); conducive to good health. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [HEALTH + -Y¹]

heap¹, n. Group of things lying one on another; (colloq.) large number, as a ~

of people, ~s of times, (adv.) he is ~s better; (colloq.) struck all of a ~, mentally prostrated. [OE *heap*, cf. Du. *hoop*, Da. *hob*, G. *haufe*; also L. *cumbere*, *cubare*, lie] **heap**¹, v.t. Pile (things up, together, etc.) in a heap; load (cart, person, etc. with goods, benefits, etc.); accumulate (insults etc. upon). [OE *heapian*, as prec.]

hear, v.t. & i. (heard pr. heard). Perceive (sound etc. or intr.) with the ear, as I ~d a groan, I ~ him groaning, I ~d him groan (but he was ~d to groan); listen, give audience, to, as ~ him out (to the end), ~ him, his lesson, ~ a sermon; listen judicially to (case, plaintiff, etc.); grant (prayer); he will not ~ (entertain the notion) of it; you will ~ of this (be reprimanded for it); be informed (that, of, about); ~ from, receive letter or message from; ~ tell of (arch.), be told about; || (as form of cheering, often iron.) ~! ~!. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [com.-Teut.: OE *heran*, Du. *hooren*, G. *hören*]

hear'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: perception by ear, as hard of ~, deaf; within, out of, ~, near enough, too far off, to be heard; give him a fair ~, listen impartially to him. [-ING¹]

heark'en (här-), här-, v.i. Listen (to). [OE *hercnian* (as HARK, w. suf. -n-)]

hear'say, n. What one hears (but does not know to be true), gossip, (often attrib., as ~ evidence).

hearse (hêrs), n. Car for carrying coffin at funeral; (formerly) framework supporting pall at funeral, often adapted for carrying tapers. [f. F *herse*, f. L *hircpicem* (nom. -er) rake, harrow]

heart (hârt), n. 1. Hollow organ keeping up circulation of blood by contracting & dilating; right, left, ~ (side of ~); smoker's ~ (~ disorder due to smoking). 2. Breast; mind; soul (~ to ~, with candour; so ~-to~ talks); after one's (own) ~ (desire). 3. Seat of the emotions, esp. of love, as give, lose, one's ~ to, win the ~ of, (person); union of ~s (depending on affection, not constraint). 4. Sensibility, as he has no ~; courage, as pluck up or take, lose, ~. 5. (As term of endearment to person) dear, sweet, ~; (Naut.) my ~s (brave fellows). 6. Central part, esp. of tree, as (fig.) ~ of oak, courageous man; vital part, essence, (the ~ of the matter). 7. (Of land) fertility, as out of ~, in poor condition. 8. ~-shaped thing; (Cards, pl.) suit marked with ~s. 9. At ~, in one's inmost feelings; by ~, in, from, memory, as learn, say, by ~; from one's ~, sincerely; in one's ~, secretly; in ~, in good spirits; near(est) one's ~, dear(est) to one; out of ~, in low spirits; with all one's ~, sincerely, with the utmost goodwill; And in one's ~, (esp. w. neg.) prevail on oneself (to do); Have thing at ~, be deeply interested in it; lay thing to ~, think it over seriously; scratchings of ~,

misgivings; take thing to ~, be much affected by it; break person's ~, overwhelm him with sorrow; cry one's ~ out, cry violently; eat one's ~ out, pine away from vexation etc.; have a ~ (al.), be merciful; have the ~, (esp. w. neg.) be hard-hearted enough (to do); ~ & hand, enthusiastically; in one's ~ of ~s (inmost feelings); ~ & soul, with all one's energy; have one's ~ in one's mouth, be violently alarmed or startled; his ~ is in the right place, he means well; take ~ of grace, pluck up courage; wear one's ~ upon one's sleeve, lack proper reserve; it does my ~ good, it rejoices me. 10. ~ache, mental anguish; ~beat, pulsation of ~, (fig.) emotion; ~(-)blood, life-blood, life; ~break, overwhelming distress; ~-breaking, -broken, causing, crushed by, this; ~burn, burning sensation in lower part of chest; ~burning, jealousy, grudge; ~disease (of ~); ~felt, sincere (emotion etc.); ~rending, distressing; ~s'ease, pangs; ~sick, despondent; ~sore, grieved at ~; ~strings, (fig.) ~, deepest affections; ~whole, undismayed, with the ~ unengaged, sincere. Hence ~ED¹ (hârt-) a. [com.-Teut.: OE *heorte*, Du. *hart*, G. *herz*; cf. L. *cor* -dis, Gk. *kardia*]

heart'en (hârt-), v.t. & i. Inspirit, cheer (often vb, also on); (intr.) cheer up. [f. arch. vb *heart* (OE *hertian*, as prec.) + -EN⁶]

hearth (hârt-), n. Floor of fireplace; ~rug (laid before fireplace); ~stone, flat stone forming ~, (also) stone etc. for whitening ~s. [OE *heordh*, cf. Du. *haard*, G. *herd*]

heart'ily (hârt-), adv. With goodwill, courage, or appetite; very, as ~ sick of it. [HEARTY, -LY¹]

heart'less (hârt-), a. Unfeeling, pitiless, cruel. Hence ~LY² adv. ~NESS n. [-LESS] **heart'y** (hârt-), a. & n. 1. Cordial, genial; (of feelings) sincere; vigorous; (of meals) abundant. 2. n. (As address to sailors) my ~ies; || (in English university use) outdoor man, athlete (opp. AESTHETIC). Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

heat¹, n. 1. Hotness; sensation, perception, of this; red, white, etc., ~, at which metals etc. are red, white, etc. 2. (Physics) kinetic & potential energy of the invisible molecules of bodies, capable of transmission by conduction or radiation (formerly held an elastic material fluid); latent ~, ~ required to convert a solid into liquid or vapour, or a liquid into vapour; specific ~, ~ required to raise temperature of a given substance to given extent (usu. one degree), usu. calculated relatively to water. 3. Hot weather. 4. Inflamed state of body. 5. Pungency of flavour. 6. Prickly ~, skin disease common in hot climates. 7. Single effort, esp. at a ~; (trial) ~s, races, contests, the winners of which compete in And (~).

8. Warmth of feeling, anger; violent stage (of debate etc.). 9. Sexual excitement of animals during breeding season (*on, in, at, ~, of females*). 10. *~spot*, freckle, (also) point of the skin at which *~* can be felt; *~stroke*, prostration by excessive *~*; *~wave*, wave of radiant *~*, (also) access of great *~* in atmosphere regarded as passing from place to place. [OE *hætu*, cf. M Du. *heele*; also G *hitze*, Du. *hitte*] **heat**¹, v.t. & i. Make hot; inflame (blood etc.); inflame with passion, whence *~'ediv*¹ adv.; (intr.) become hot (lit. & fig.). Hence *~'er*¹(2) n. [com.-Teut.: OE *hætan*, Du. *helen*, G *heizen*; cogn. w. *NOT*]

heath, n. || Bare flat waste tract of land, esp. if covered with shrubs; name of such shrubs, esp. of genus *Erica*; *~bell*, flower of *~* & other plants; *~berry*, bilberry, crowberry, & other berries; *~cock*, blackcock. Hence *~'r*¹ a. [OE *hæth*, cf. Du. & G. *heide*]

heath'en (-dh-), a. & n. (One who is) neither Christian, Jewish, nor Mohammedan; (n. pl. collect.) *the ~*; unenlightened person; *the ~* *OTHERS*. Hence *~DOM*, *~ISM*(2), *~ishness*, *~RY*, nn., *~ish*¹ a., *~ishly*² adv., *~ize*(3) v.t. & i., (-dh-). [OE *hæðen*, cf. Du. *heiden*, G *heide*; Goth. has *hæithnô* heathen woman, perh. f. *hæithi* heath]

heath'er (hædh-), n. Various species of genus *Erica* (called in the North *Ling*); || *take to the ~* (Sc.), become an outlaw; *~bell*, (flower of) species of *Erica*; *~mixture*, (fabric) of mixed hues supposed to resemble *~*. Hence *~'r*¹ a. [ME *hæthir* etym. dub., now assim. to *heath*]

heave¹, v.t. & i. (past & p.p. *~d* or *hove*). Lift (heavy thing); (of vein or stratum) displace (another); utter (groan, sigh) with effort; (Naut. & colloq.) throw; (Naut.) haul up, haul, by rope; rise, swell up; rise with alternate falls, as waves; pant; retch; pull (at rope etc.); *~down*, turn (ship) over on one side for cleaning etc.; *~to*, bring (sailing-ship, or abs.) to a standstill without anchoring or making fast; *~in sight*, become visible; *~ho* (cry of sailors in heaving anchor up). [com.-Teut.: OE *hebban*, Du. *heffen*, G *heben*, cf. L *caperere* take]

heave², n. Heaving; *~ of the sea*, force exerted by swell of sea on ship's course; a recognized chip in wrestling (*Cornwall ~*); horizontal displacement of vein or stratum; (pl.) disease of horses, broken wind. [f. prec.]

heaven (hæ-), n. Sky, firmament, (in prose now usu. pl.); region of the atmosphere in which clouds float, winds blow, & birds fly; (formerly) each of the heavenly SPHERES; habitation of God & his angels, usually placed beyond sky (cf. *HELL*); *seventh ~*, *~ of ~s*, highest of seven *~s* recognized by Jews, abode

of God; God, Providence, as it is *H~'s will*; (in asseverations & exclamations) *by ~!*, *good ~!*; place, state, of supreme bliss; *~born*, of divine origin. Hence *~WARD* a., *~WARD(s)* adv. [OE *hefen*, later *heofene*, cf. LG *heben*; etym. dub.] **hea'venly** (hæ-), a. Of heaven, divine, (*the H~ City*, Paradise); of the sky, as *~bodies*; *the H~ Twins*, = GEMINI; of superhuman excellence; (colloq.) *what ~* (excellent) *figs!*; *~minded*, holy, devout. Hence *hea'venliness* (hæ-) n. [OF *heofonlic* (as prec., see -LY¹)]

Hea'viside (hæ-) **lay'er**, n. Layer of the atmosphere that reflects wireless waves back & causes them to follow the contour of the earth. [Oliver Heaviside, English physicist (d. 1925)]

hea'vy (hæ-), a., n., & adv. 1. Of great weight; of great specific gravity; weighty because abundant, as *a ~ crop*; laden with; (of ordnance of the larger kind) *~ guns*, *metal*, *artillery*; (fig.) *~ metal*, formidable opponent(s); (Mil.) carrying *~ arms*. 2. Striking, falling, with force, as *~ storm*, *sea*. 3. (Of ground) clinging, difficult to travel over. 4. (Of bread etc.) dense from not having risen; (of food) hard to digest. 5. (Of horse) *~ in* or *on hand*, bearing or hanging on bit, (fig.) dull, hard to entertain. 6. (Of sky) overcast, gloomy. 7. Chummy in appearance or effect; (of persons) intellectually slow; unwieldy; (of artistic or literary productions) dull, tedious; (Theatr.) serious, sombre, as *~ father*. 8. Oppressive, grievous, as *a ~ fate*; sad, as *~ news*; despondent; doleful; drowsy; *it lies ~* (makes its weight felt); *time hangs ~* (passes slowly). 9. n. pl. || *The Heavies*, Dragoon Guards, (also) *~ artillery*. 10. adv. Heavily (now chiefly in compounds; as *~buying*, *~laden*, *~pulling*). 11. *~armed*, bearing *~ arms* or armour; *~chemicals*; *~hearted*, melancholy, doleful; *~oil*, a heavier-than-water oil obtained from coal-tar by distillation; *~spar*, barytes; *~swell* (colloq.), man who emphasizes his real or imagined importance by overdressing etc.; *~water*, water with a density about 10 per cent. greater than that of ordinary water, the oxide of DEUTERIUM or *~hydrogen*; *~weight*, jockey etc. of more than average weight, boxer over 12st. 10. Hence *hea'vily*¹ adv., *hea'viness* n., *~ish*¹ a., (hæ-). [OE *heafig* (hefe weight, cogn. w. *HEAVE*), cf. Du. *hevig*]

heb'domād, n. Week (esp. in reference to Dan. ix. 27). [f. L f. Gk *hebdōmas* -ados (hepta seven, see -AD)]

heb'dōm'adal, a. Weekly; || (Oxf. Univ.) *H~ Council*, board meeting weekly. [f. L *hebdomadalis* (as prec., see -AD)]

Hēb'ē, n. (Gk. Myth.) goddess of youth, cupbearer of Olympus; (joc.) waitress, barmaid. [Gk.]

héb'etâte, v.t. & i. Make, become, dull.

[f. L *hebetare* (*hebes* -*etis* blunt), see -ATE¹]

héb'etûde, n. Stupidity. [f. L *hebetudo* (*hebes*, see prec., -TUDE)]

Hēbrā'[ic, a. Of Hebrew or the Hebrews. Hence -ICALLY adv. [f. LL f. Gk *Hebraikos* (as HEBREW, see -IO)]

Hēb'rā'ism, n. Attribute of the Hebrews; Hebrew system of thought or religion; Hebrew idiom or expression. So -ISM(3) v.t. & i., -is'tic a., -is'tically adv. [f. F *hébraïsme* f. late Gk *Hebraismos* (as prec., see -ISM)]

Heb'raist, n. Hebrew scholar; adherent of Hebrew thought or religion. [as prec. -IST]

Hēb'rew (-ō), n. & a. 1. Israelite, Jew; *Epistle to the ~s*, book in N.T.; language of the ancient ~s; *modern ~*, as now used by Jews; (colloq.) unintelligible speech (cf. GREEK). 2. adj. Of ~, of the Jews. [f. OF *Ebreu* f. med. L *Ebreus* f. L f. Gk *Hebraios* f. Aram. 'ebrai = Heb. 'ibri one from the other side ('abar cross over)]

hēc'atomb (-ōni, -ōm), n. (Gk Ant.). Great public sacrifice (prop. 100 oxen). [f. L f. Gk *hekatombē* (*hekaton* hundred + *bous* ox)]

hēc'k, n. Frame obstructing passage of fish in river. [OE *hec*, see HATCH¹]

hēc'kle, v.t., & n. (Dress *flax*, *hemp*, with) HACLE¹; catechize (esp. election candidate) severely. [= HACLE¹]

hēc'tāre, n. (In metric system) superficial measure of 100 ares (2·471 acres). [f. HECTO- + ARE¹]

hēc'tic, a. & n. 1. ~ fever, that which accompanies consumption and similar diseases, attended with flushed cheeks and hot skin; consumptive; morbidly flushed (lit. & fig.); (sl.) exciting, wild, impassioned, (*for a ~ moment*). 2. n. ~ fever, patient, flush. [f. LL f. Gk *hektikos* habitual, hectic, (*hexis* habit of body, f. *ekhō* hold, be; see -IO)]

hēc'to-in comb. = Gk *hekaton* hundred, as: ~graph, apparatus for multiplying copies, (v.t.) multiply with this; (Metric system) ~gram(me), weight of 100 grammes (3·52 oz), ~litre, -liter, (-līter), 100 litres (3·531 cub. ft), ~metre (-ter, -meter, 100 metres (328·089 ft); cf. CENTI-.

hēc'tor, n., & v.t. & i. Bluster(er), bully. [f. vb f. n.] f. Gk *Hektōr*, son of Priam and Hecuba, Trojan hero in *Iliad*]

hēd'dies, n. pl. Small cords or wires through which warp is passed in loom before going through the reed. [f.]

hēdge¹, n. Fence of bushes or low trees, living (*quickset* ~) or dead (*dead* ~), or of turf, stone, etc. (*doesn't grow on every ~*, is rare); line of things or persons forming barrier; (fig.) barrier; (Betting) act, means, of hedging; || ~priest, illiterate priest of low status; ~row, row of bushes forming ~; || ~school, low-class school, (formerly) open-air school esp. in Ireland; ~sparrow, common British and Euro-

pean bird, one of the Warblers. [OE *hecg*, cf. Du. *hegge*, G *hecke*; cogn. w. HAW¹]

hēdge², v.t. & i. Surround with hedge (lit. & fig.); fence off; hem in; make, trim, hedges, whence *hēdg'ea*¹ n.; secure oneself against loss on (bet, speculation, or abs.) by compensating transactions on the other side; (intr.) avoid committing oneself. [f. prec.]

hēdg'e-hōg (-jh-), n. Spiny insectivorous quadruped, rolling itself up into ball for defence; name of various animals armed with spines; (Mil.) small self-contained defensive position bristling with fortifications on all sides; prickly seed-vessel of some plants; person hard to get on with, whence ~gy² (-g-) a. [HEDGE (from its habits) + HOG (from its snout)]

hēdōn'ic, a. & n. Of pleasure; (n. pl.) doctrine of pleasure. [f. Gk *hēdonikos* (foll., -ic)]

hēd'on'ism, n. Doctrine that pleasure is the chief good. So ~IST n., -is'tic a. [f. Gk *hēdonē* pleasure + -ISM]

heed, v.t. (Sc. & literary), & n. 1. Concern oneself about, take notice of. 2. n. Careful attention, as *take ~*, *pay or give ~ to*. Hence ~ful, ~less, aa., ~fully¹, ~'lessly², adv., ~fulness, ~'lessness, nn. [(n. prob. f. vb) OE *hēdan*, cf. Du. *hoeden*, G *hüten* (hut guard)]

hee'haw', n. Ass's bray; loud laugh. [imit.]

heel¹, n. 1. Hind part of human foot below ankle (~ of *Achilles*, only vulnerable spot, weak point); (Anat.) corresponding part of hind limb in quadruped, often raised above ground; (pop., of quadruped) hinder part of hoof, (pl.) hind feet. 2. Part of stocking that covers ~; part of boot that supports ~. 3. Thing like ~ in shape or position, as handle end of violin bow, crook in head of golf club, after end of ship's keel. 4. *Cad, low-down person (sl.). 5. At ~, at, on, upon, one's ~s, close behind one; down at ~, (of shoes) with ~ part crushed down, (of person) wearing such shoes, slovenly; to ~, (of dog) close behind, under control; ~-ē-toe WALK'ing; ~s over head, (usu.) head over ~s, upside down, in a somersault; kick one's ~s, stand waiting; cool² one's ~s; lay, clap, by the ~s, imprison; show a clean pair of ~s, take to one's ~s, run away; have the ~s of, outrun; turn on one's ~, turn sharply round; be carried with the ~s foremost (as a corpse); (Cribbage) his ~s, knave if turned up by dealer, scoring two (cf. NOB); ~ball, shoemaker's polishing mixture of hard wax and lamp-black; ~lap, a thickness of leather in ~, liquor left at bottom of glass. [OE *hēla*, cf. Du. *hiel*, Da. *hæl*]

heel², v.i. & t. Touch ground with heel, e.g. in dancing; furnish (boot etc.) with

- heel; chase or follow closely; (Football) pass ball out at back of scrummage with the heels; (Golf) strike (ball) with heel of club. Hence ~^{er} (-ld) a. (colloq.), armed with revolver, supplied with money. [f. prec.]
- heel¹, v.l. & t. (Of ship etc.) lean over owing to pressure of wind or uneven load; cause (ship) to do this. [corrupt. of obs. *heald*, OE *hieldan* (*heald* sloping), cf. Du. *hellen*]
- heel², n. (naut.). Inclination of heeling ship (cf. *list*). [f. prec.]
- heft, n., & v.t. (dial., U.S.). Weight; (dial.) lift, push, (v.t.) lift, esp. to judge weight. [(v) prob. f. n.] 16th c., f. *HEAVE* v., cf. *weave* *weight*]
- hefty, a. Sturdy, stalwart, (a battalion of *fellows*). [prec., -y¹]
- hegemōn'ic (hējī-, hēgī-), a. Ruling, supreme. [f. Gk *hēgemonikos* (as foll., see -ic)]
- hegēm'on'y (-g-, -j-; also hēg'), n. Leadership, esp. of one State of a confederacy. [f. Gk *hēgemonia* (*hegēmōn* leader)]
- hē'gira, -jira, n. Mohammed's flight from Mecca to Medina; Mohammedan era reckoned from this (622 A.D.). [med. L, f. Arab. *hijrah* departure from one's country (*hajira* separate)]
- heifer (hēf-), n. Young cow that has not had calf. [OE *heahfore*, etym. dub.]
- heigh (hā), int. expr. encouragement or inquiry; ~-ho, int. expr. boredom, disappointment, etc.
- height (hit), n. Measurement from base to top; elevation above ground or recognized (esp. sea) level; considerable elevation, as *situated at a ~*; high point; top; *the ~* (utmost degree) of folly etc.; rising ground; *at its ~* (highest degree). [OE *hætho* (as *HEG*, see -th¹)]
- height'en (hit-), v.t. & i. Make high(er); intensify; inflate (description, story); (intr.) rise (usu. fig.). [prec. + -en¹]
- heinous (hān-), a. (Of crime or criminal) odious, atrocious. Hence ~ly adv., ~ness n. [f. F *haineux* (*haine* hatred f. *hair* hate, cf. Goth. *hailjan*; see -ous)]
- heir (ā), n. Person receiving or entitled to receive property or rank as legal representative of former owner; (fig.) one to whom something (joy, punishment, etc.) is morally due; ~ APPARENT; ~-at-law (by right of blood); ~ in tail (to entailed estate); ~ male, male ~ tracing descent wholly through males; ~ PRESUMPTIVE. Hence ~DOM, ~ness¹, ~ship, nm., ~LESS a., (ā-). [OF, f. LL *herem* = L *heredem* (nom. *heres*)]
- heirloom (ā-), n. Chattel that follows devolution of real estate; piece of personal property that has been in family for generations (also fig. of qualities). [prec. + -loom¹]
- hel'acal, a. (Astron.) relating to, near, the sun; ~ rising, setting, first rising of a star after, last setting before, a period of invisibility due to conjunction with the sun. [f. Gk *hēliakos* (*hēlios* sun, see -ac) + -AL]
- hēliān'thus, n. Genus including common sunflower. [f. Gk *hēlios* sun + *anthos* flower]
- hēl'ic(al), a. Spiral. Hence or cogn. ~ally adv., ~oid, ~oid'AL, aa. [as *HELIX* + -AL]
- Hēl'icon, n. Boeotian mountain, sacred to Muses; source of poetic inspiration. So Hēlicōn'IAN a. [L, f. Gk *Helikōn*]
- hēl'icopter, n. Flying-machine deriving both its lift and its propulsive power from horizontally revolving blades or rotors, and capable of ascending and descending vertically. [f. Gk *hēlix*-ikos screw, *pteron* wing]
- hēl'io, n. (colloq.). Abbr. of *HELIOGRAM*, -graph.
- hēl'io- in comb. = Gk *hēlios* sun, as: ~cēn'tric, as viewed from centre of sun, taking sun as centre; ~chrōmy, photographic representation in natural colours; ~gram, message by ~graph (3); ~graph, n., (1) engraving obtained by exposure to light, (2) apparatus for photographing sun, (3) signalling apparatus reflecting flashes of sunlight; ~graph, v.t., send (message) by ~graph, photograph by ~graphy; ~graph'ic, of ~graphy; ~graphy (-ōg'), description of the sun, engraving process, signalling by ~graph; ~grāture', photographure; ~meter (-ōm'), instrument for finding angular distance between two stars (orig. for measuring diameter of sun); ~scope, apparatus for observing sun without injury to eye; ~thē'rapy, use of sun-baths in treating disease; ~trōp'ic, ~tropism (-ōt'), (of plants) turning, property of turning, in particular way under influence of light; ~type, picture obtained from gelatine film exposed to light.
- hēliolith'ic, a. Of the civilization characterized by megaliths & sun-worship. [f. *HELIO*, after *colithic* etc.]
- hēliō'sis, n. (Bot.) spots on leaves caused by concentration of sun's rays through glass etc.; sunstroke. [Gk *hēliōsis* (*hēlios* sun, see -osis)]
- hēl'iotrōpe, n. Plant with fragrant purple flowers; colour, scent, of these; blood-stone. [f. L f. Gk *hēliotropion* plant turning flowers to the sun (*hēlios* sun + -trōpos f. *trepō* turn)]
- hēli'um, n. A colourless gas, inferred as existing in sun's atmosphere in 1868, first obtained in 1895. [f. Gk *hēlios* sun]
- hēl'ix, n. (pl. -ices). Spiral (like corkscrew, or in one plane like watch-spring); (Archit.) spiral ornament; rim of external ear; genus including common snail. [Gk *hēlix*]
- hēll, n. Abode of the dead; abode of condemned spirits; place, state, of wicked-

ness or misery; a ~ of a (considerable) noise; den for captives in Prisoner's Base & other games; gaming-house; (in imprecations) ~!, what the ~ do you want?; give (a person) ~, make things hot for him; like ~, desperately, extremely (often as mere intensive); ~-box (printer's sl.), receptacle for refuse type; ~-cat, spiteful or furious woman; ~ for leather, at top riding-speed (usu. *ride ~ for leather*); ~hound, fiend; ~weed, name of various plants. Hence ~ISH¹ a., ~ISHLY² adv., ~ishness n., ~WARD adv. & a. [OE *hel(l)*, cf. Du. *hel*, G *hölle*, f. root *hel*-hide]

hél'ebóre, n. Ancient name of various plants supposed to cure madness; (Bot.) species including Christmas Rose. [f. Lf. Gk *helleboros*]

Hél'ène, n. Ancient Greek of genuine Greek race; subject of modern kingdom of Greece. So HELLÉN'ic a. [f. Gk *Hellén*]

Hél'lén'ism, n. Greek idiom or construction; imitation of the Greeks; Grecian culture; Greek nationality. So ~IZE(3) v.t. & i. [f. Gk *Hellénismos* (as prec., see -ISM)]

Hél'lén'ist, n. One who used the Greek language but was not a Greek, whence ~is'tic a.; Greek scholar. [f. Gk *Hellénistês* (as prec., see -IST)]

héllo', n. & v. = HALLO.

hél'm¹, n. (Arch.) helmet; (also ~cloud) cloud forming over mountain before or during storm. Hence ~ED² (-md) a. [com.-Teut.: OE, Du., G; f. *kel*-cover]

hél'm², n., & v.t. 1. Tiller, wheel, by which rudder is managed; space through which ~ is turned, as *more, little*, ~; down (*with the*) ~, up (*with the*) ~, place ~ so as to bring rudder to windward, to leeward; *weather, lee*, ~, ~ put up, down; (fig.) government, guidance, (*take the* ~, assume control); ~s'man, steersman. 2. v.t. Steer (usu. fig.). [v.b f. n.] OE *helma*, cf. ON *hjálm*]

hél'mét, n. Defensive head-cover of soldiers, firemen, etc.; felt or pith hat for hot climates; upper part of retort; (Bot.) arched upper part of corolla in some flowers; shell of a genus of molluscs. Hence ~ED³ a. [obs. F, dim. of *helme* HELM¹]

hél'mínth, n. Worm (usu. intestinal). Hence ~T'ASIS n., disease characterized by presence of ~s in the body, *hél'mín'thuc*, *hél'mín'thous*, a., ~D'OGY n. [f. Gk *helmins* -inths maw-worm]

hél'ot, n. (H~) one of a class of serfs in ancient Sparta; *drunken H~* (made drunk as warning to Spartan youth); serf. Hence ~ISM(2), ~RY(1, 2), nn., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. L *Helotes* f. Gk *Helôides* (pl. of *Helôis*) taken as -inhabitant of Helos, Laconian town]

hél'p¹, v.t. (~ed; arch. past *hélp* & p.p. *hélpen*). Aid, assist, as ~ me, ~ me to lift it.

~ me to an answer, ~ the work on or forward, ~ me over the stile, ~ me out (of a difficulty); ~ person on, off, with coat etc., ~ him to put it on, take it off; ~ (person) to, serve him with (food); distribute (food at meal); remedy, prevent, as it can't be ~ed, I can't ~ that, don't be longer than you can ~ (cannot); (w. neg.) refrain from or avoid doing (cannot ~ hoping that ~); (in invocation or oath) so ~ me God (as I keep my word, as I speak the truth, etc.). [com.-Teut.: OE *helpan*, Du. *helpen*, G *helfen*]

hél'p², n. Assistance, as we need your ~, she, it, is a great ~, by ~ of; *domestic servant; || lady ~, assistant & companion to mistress of house; mother's ~, superior nursemaid; remedy or escape, as there is no ~ for it; helping (of food). [OE & MDu., cf. Du. *hulp*, G *hülfe*]

hél'p'ful, a. (Of person or thing) useful, serviceable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

hél'ping, n. In vbl senses, esp. portion of food served. [-ING¹]

hél'p'less, a. Lacking help; unable to help oneself. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

hél'p'mate, n. Helpful companion or partner (usu. husband or wife). [HELP + MATE]

hél'p'meet, n. = prec. [formed by misunderstanding of Gen. ii. 18, 20]

hél'ter-skél'ter, adv., a., & n. (In) disordered haste. [imit.]

hél've, n. Handle of weapon or tool; throw the ~ after the HATCHET. [OE *helfe*, cf. MDu. *helf*, *helve*; f. same root as HALTER]

Hélv'e'tian (-shn), a. & n. Swiss. [f. L *Helvetius* + -AN]

hém¹, n. Border, edge, of cloth etc., esp. border made by turning in edge & sewing it down. [OE, cf. NFris. *heam*]

hém², v.t. (-mm-). Turn down & sew in edge of (cloth etc., or abs.); ~ in, about, round, enclose, confine. [f. prec.]

hém³, int., n., & v.l. 1. (Also hém') int. calling attention or expressing hesitation. 2. n. Utterance of this. 3. v.t. (-mm-). Utter sound ~, clear throat, hesitate in speech. [imit.]

hematic etc. See haem-.

hēmi-, pref. in wds f. Gk or on Gk elements, =half-, affecting one half, etc., as ~anōp'sia, half-blindness, *hem'tycle*, half-moon figure, || ~dēmīsemiquā'er, half a demisemiquaver, ~hēd'ral (Cryst.), having half proper number of planes, ~mēdīb'ola, insects undergoing incomplete metamorphosis, ~plē'gia, paralysis of one side. [Gk *hēmi* = L *semi*-]

hēm'isphēre, n. Half sphere; half the celestial sphere, esp. as divided by the equinoctial or by the ecliptic; half the earth, containing (Eastern ~) Europe, Asia, & Africa, or (Western ~) America; Northern, Southern, ~s, halves of the

earth as divided by equator; *Magdeburg* ~s, pair of brass ~s exhausted of air to show atmospheric pressure by their cohesion. Hence *hémisphère* *RIC(Al)* aa. [f. OF *emisphere* f. Gk *HEMI(sphaira)* SPHERE.]

hém'istich (-k), n. Half of line of verse. [f. LL f. Gk *HEMI(stikhion)* f. *stikhos* verse.]

hém'lock, n. Poisonous umbelliferous plant, used as powerful sedative; poisonous potion got from this. [OE *hymlic(e)*, etym. dub.]

hemorrhage etc. See *haem*-.

hém'p, n. Annual herbaceous plant, native of India; its cortical fibre, used for rope & stout fabrics; (joc.) rope for hanging; = *BRANG*, *HASHISH*; name of various other plants yielding fibre. Hence *hém'pen* a. [OE *heneþ*, cf. Du. *hennep*, G *hanf*; cogn. w. Gk *kannabis*]

hém'stitch, v.t., & n. (Hem cloth etc. with) kind of ornamental stitch.

hén, n. Female of common domestic fowl (cf. *cock*); second element in name of other female birds, as *guinea*~, *pea*~; like a ~ with one chicken, absurdly fussy; ~ & chickens, name of a compound daisy & other plants; ~bane, narcotic & poisonous plant, drug got from this; ~coop (for keeping poultry in); ~crab, lobster, female; ~harrier, blue hawk, a bird of prey; ~hearted, pusillanimous; ~party (of women only); ~pecked, domineered over by one's wife; ~roost, place where fowls roost at night. [OE *henn* (fem. of hana cock), cf. Du. *hen*, G *henne*]

hénce, adv. (Arch.) from here, from this, (often pleonast. from ~); (poet., rhet.) ~, go away, ~ with, away with, take away, go ~, die; ~forth', ~for ward, from this time forward; five years ~, in five years' time from now; as a result from this; as an inference from this (~ it appears that), therefore. [ME *hennes* *henne* adv. f. root of *HE* + *ES*]

hénch'man, n. 1. (Hist.) squire, page of honour. 2. Chief attendant of Highland chief; trusty follower; political supporter. [14th c.; OE *heng(e)st* male horse, cf. Du. & G *hengst*, & *MAN*]

hén'déca - in comb. = Gk *hendeka* eleven, as *hendéc'agon*, plane rectilinear figure of eleven sides; ~syllab'ic a. & n., (verse) of eleven syllables, ~syll'able, such a verse (esp., in Latin: ~ (or ~) ~ ~ ~ ~ ~).

héndi'adye, n. Expression of a complex idea by two words connected with & (e.g. in goblets & gold for in golden goblets). [med. L, f. Gk *hen dia duoin* one thing by two]

Hén'don, n. Town in Middlesex associated with aviation. [place]

Hén'ley, n. (Used for) annual regatta at ~on-Thames. [place]

hénna'a, n. Egyptian privet; its shoots & leaves used as a dye for the body. [Arab. *henna'*]

hén'n'y, a. & n. Hen-like; (n.) hen-like cook. [HEN + -Y²]

hén'othéism, n. Belief in one God without asserting that he is the only God (cf. MONOTHEISM). [f. Gk *heis* *henos* one + *theos* god + -ISM]

hépát'ic, a. Of, good for, the liver; liver-hued. [f. L f. Gk *hepatikos* (HEPATO-, -IC)]

hépát'is, n. Inflammation of the liver. [L f. Gk *hepatitis* (HEPATO-, -ITIS)]

hép'atize, v.t. Convert (lungs) into liver-substance. Hence ~A'TION n. [as foll. + -IZE]

hépato- in comb. = Gk *hepar* -atos liver, as ~genous (-ój), originating in the liver.

Hép'plewhite (-elwit), n. A delicate style of furniture. [G., d. 1786]

hép'ta - in comb. = Gk *hepta* seven, as: ~chord, 7-stringed instrument, 7-note scale; ~glot a. & n., (book) in seven languages; ~gon, plane rectilinear figure of seven sides, so ~gonal (-ág) a.; ~héd'ron (-a-h), solid of seven faces; ~syllab'ic, of seven syllables; ~teuch (-k), first seven books of Bible.

hép'tad, n. Set, group, of seven. [f. Gk *heptas* -ados set of seven (*hepta*)]

hép'tarchy (-k), n. Government by seven rulers; seven kingdoms of Angles & Saxons in Britain. So *hép'tarch'ic(Al)* (-k) aa. [f. *HEPTA* + Gk *-arkhia* government]

her¹, pron. Objective case of *she*; colloq. also subjective, as *Was that ~?* [OE *hire*, dat. of *hio*, *heo*, *she*]

her², pron. & a. Possessive case of, & adj. corresp. to, *she*, with absolute form ~s, as *it is ~ hat*, *it is ~s*, ~s is best, *my father & ~s suffer(s) for it*, ~ (vulg. ~s) & *my* (common) father, ~ (vulg. ~s) & *my* (respective) father(s). [OE *hī(e)re*, genitive as prec.]

hē'rald¹, n. 1. Officer who made State proclamations, bore messages between princes, officiated in the tourney, arranged various State ceremonies, regulated use of armorial bearings, settled questions of precedence, & recorded names & pedigrees of those entitled to armorial bearings; || *H~s' College*, corporation (now) recording pedigrees & granting bearings. 2. Messenger (often as title of newspaper); forerunner. [f. OF *heraut*, prob. of Teut. orig.]

hē'rald², v.t. Proclaim the approach of; usher in. [f. OF *herauder* (as prec.)]

hērāl'dic, a. Of heraldry. [-IC]

hē'raldry, n. Science of a herald; CANT²-ing ~; armorial bearings; heraldic pomp. [-RY]

hērb, n. Plant whose stem is not woody or persistent; plant of which leaves etc. are used for food, medicine, scent, flavour, etc.; ~ beer, drink made from ~s; ~bennet, yellow-flowered species of *Avena* [prob. f. OF *herbe benecite* = *L herba benedicta* blessed herb]; ~tea, -water, medi-

cinal infusion of herbs. So ~A'CEOUS (-ashus; ~aceous border in gardens, one devoted to perennial flowering plants), ~IR'EROUS, ~IV'OROUS, ~LESS, aa. [f. OF *erbe* f. L *herba* grass]

herb'age, n. Herbs collectively; succulent parts of herbs; (Law) right of pasture on another's ground. [OF, f. mod. L *herbaticum* (as prec., see -AGE)]

herb'al, a. & n. (Book with descriptions) of herbs. [f. L *herbalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

herb'alist, n. One skilled in herbs (now of early botanical writers); dealer in medicinal herbs. [prec. + -IST]

herbar'ium, n. (Book, case, room, for) collection of dried plants. [LL *HERBARIUM*]

herb'orize, v.i. Gather herbs, botanize. So ~IZA'TION, ~IST, nn. [f. F *herboriser* (*herbe* HERB, confused w. L *arbor* tree); correct forms *herbalize*, ~arize, are arch.]

herb'y, a. Abounding in herbs; of the nature of a herb. [-Y²]

Hércul'ean (also -'ean), a. Of Hercules; strong as Hercules; difficult as his labours. [f. L *Herculeus* (as foll.) + -AN]

Hérc'ules (-z), n. (Gk & Rom. Myth.) hero of prodigious strength, who performed 12 immense labours; *Pillars of ~*, rocks on either side of Strait of Gibraltar, (fig.) ultimate limit; strong man; ~ *beetle* (S. Amer., 5 in. long); a northern constellation. [~ *powder*, explosive used in mining. [L, f. Gk *Hēraklēs*]]

herd¹, n. Company of animals, esp. cattle, feeding or travelling together; large number of people (derog.), esp. *the common*, the vulgar, ~; *the ~ instinct*, gregariousness & mutual influence as a psychological factor; ~book, pedigree-book of cattle or pigs; ~s'man, keeper of ~s. [com.-Teut.: OE *heorð*, G *herde*, Da. *hjord*]

herd², n. Keeper of herds, herdsman, esp. w. word prefixed, as *cow~*, *swine~*. [com.-Teut.: OE *hirde*, G *hirte*, Da. *hyrde*]

herd³, v.i. & t. Go in a herd (*together*, with others; esp. fig. of persons); tend (sheep, cattle). [f. HERD^{1,2}]

here, adv. & n. 1. In this place; (answering roll-call) ~, I am present; (calling attention to person's presence) *my son will show you*; (in drinking healths) ~s (a health) to; in this life (esp. ~ below); at this point (in discourse etc.); in this matter; to this place; *look ~* (in this direction; esp. in bespeaking attention or making protest); *I don't belong ~* (to this place); ~ & there, in various places; ~, there, & everywhere, everywhere, all about; *neither ~ nor there*, not to the point, of no importance; (colloq., to announce commencement of bold act) ~ go! 2. n. This place or point, as *from, to, near, ~*. 3. ~about(s), somewhere near ~; ~after, in future, later on, in the

world to come, (n.) the future, the world to come; ~at' (arch.), at this; ~by', by this means, as a result; ~in', in this point, book, etc.; ~inaf'ter, below (in document etc.); ~inbefore', in a preceding part (of this document etc.); ~of' (arch.), of this; ~to' (arch.), to this matter; ~tofore', formerly; ~un'der, below (in book etc.); ~upon', after this, in consequence of this; ~with', with this (esp. of enclosure in letter etc.). [com.-Teut.: OE *hēr*, cf. Du. & G *hier*; prob. f. HE]

heréd'itable, a. That may be inherited. So ~IL'ITY n. [f. obs. F *héritable* f. L *hereditare* inherit (*heres* -edis heir), see -ABLE]

herédit'ament (or hīréd'), n. Property that can be inherited; real property; inheritance. [f. med. L *hereditamentum* (as prec., see -MENT)]

herédit'arian, n. One who holds the doctrine of heredity. [-ARIAN]

heréd'itar'y, a. Descending by inheritance; (of diseases, instincts, etc.) transmitted from one generation to another; like, the same as, that one's parents had, as ~y creed, hatred; of, holding position by, inheritance. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *hereditarius* (as HEREDITY, see -ARY²)]

heréd'it'y, n. Tendency of like to beget like. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [f. F *hérédité* f. L *hereditatem* heirship (as HEIR, see -TY)]

Hē'rēford, n. (Used for a breed of cattle originating in Herefordshire, England.)

hērēs'iarch (-k), n. Leader, founder, of a heresy. [f. LL (-cha) f. Gk *hairesiarkhēs* (as foll. + -arkhēs ruler)]

hēr'esy, n. Opinion contrary to the orthodox doctrine of the Christian Church, or to the accepted doctrine on any subject. Hence *hērēs'iōl'o'gist*, *hērēs'iōl'o'gy*, nn. [f. OF *eresie* f. L *heresia* for *haeresis* f. Gk *hairesis* choice, sect (*hairēoma* choose)]

hēr'etic, n. Holder of an unorthodox opinion (orig. in the matter of religion). So **hērēt'ical** a. [f. F *hérétique* f. eocl. L f. Gk *hairetikos* (as prec., see -IO)]

hēr'iot, n. (law). Render of best live beast or dead chattel, or money payment, to lord on decease of tenant (now only of manorial tenures). [OF *heregeatwa* (*here* army + *geatwa* trappings)]

hēr'itable, a. That passes to heirs-at-law (opp. to movable property); transmissible from parent to child; capable of inheriting. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *héritable* (*hériter*, see HEREDITABLE)]

hēr'itage, n. What is or may be inherited; (fig.) portion allotted to any one; (Bibl.) the ancient Israelites, the Church; inherited lot. [OF (as prec., see -AGE)]

hēr'itor, n. One who inherits. [f. OF *heritier* (as HEREDITARY), assim. to wds in -OR]

hēr'l, n. Var. of HARE(2)².

hērmāph'rodite, n. & a. 1. Human being, animal, combining characteristics of both sexes; (Zool.) animal having normally both male & female sexual organs, e.g. earth-worm; (Bot.) plant in which same flower has stamens & pistils; person, thing, combining opposite qualities; ship having characters of two kinds of craft. 2. adj. Combining both sexes or opposite characteristics. Hence ~it'ic(al) aa., ~itism n. [f. L f. Gk *Hermaphroditos*, who became one with the nymph Salmacis] **hērmēneut'ic**, a. & n. Of interpretation; (n. pl.) interpretation, esp. of Scripture. So ~al a. [f. Gk *hērmēneutikos* (*hērmēneū* interpret, see -io)]

Hērm'ēs (-z), n. (Gk Myth.) son of Zeus & Maia, messenger of the gods, god of science, eloquence, etc.; ~ *Trismegistus* (Thrice-Great), Neo-platonist name of Egyptian god Thoth, as author of mysterious doctrines, secrets of alchemy, etc. [L f. Gk *Hermēs*]

hērmēt'ic, a. Of alchemy, as ~ic art; ~ic seal, air-tight closure by fusion etc. (also fig.), whence ~ically adv. [f. med. L *hermeticus* irreg. f. *HERMES Trismegistus*]

hērm'it, n. Early Christian recluse; person living in solitude; ~crab, kind that lives in mollusc's cast-off shell to protect its shell-less hinder parts. [f. OF *ermite* f. L (-ta) f. Gk *erēmītēs* (*erēmia* desert, see -ITE¹)]

hērm'itāge, n. Hermit's abode; solitary abode; French wine from hill near Valence (with ruined ~ on top). [OF (as prec., see -AGE)]

hern. See **HERON**.

hērn'ia, n. (path.). Rupture. Hence ~al, ~ary¹, aa., ~ōt'omy n. [L]

hērn'shaw. See **HERON** (etym.).

hēr'ō, n. (pl. ~es). (Gk Ant.) man of superhuman qualities favoured by the gods, demigod; illustrious warrior, (rhet.) one who has fought for his country (*homes for ~es*, housing for ex-service men); man admired for achievements & noble qualities; chief man in poem, play, or story; ~worship(per), worship(per) of the ancient ~es or of some great man or men. [f. L f. Gk *hērōs*]

hērō'ic, a. & n. 1. (Of acts or qualities) of, fit for, a hero; (of persons) having the qualities of a hero; *the ~ age* (of Greece, before return from Troy); (of poetry) dealing with heroes; ~ verse, that used in ~ poetry (Gk & L hexameter, E five-foot iambic, F Alexandrine); (of language) grand, high-flown; bold, attempting great things. 2. n. ~ verse; (n. pl.) high-flown language or sentiments. Hence hērō'io-ally adv. [f. L f. Gk *hērōikos* (as prec., see -io)]

hērō'ism'ic, a. Combining the heroic with the comic. [HERO + -ic + COMIC]

hērō'ize v.t. Make a hero of. [as prec. +

hēr'ōin (or hīr'ōin), n. A sedative drug prepared from morphine. [f]

hēr'ōine, n. Demigoddess; heroic woman; chief woman in poem, novel, etc. [f. L f. Gk *hērōinē*, fem. of *hērōs* HERO]

hēr'ōism, n. Heroic conduct or qualities. [f. F *héroïsme* (*hērōs* HERO, see -ISM)]

hēr'ōize, v.t. & i. Make a hero of; make heroic; play the hero. [-IZE]

hēr'on, **hēr'n** (poet. etc.), n. Long-legged wading bird. [f. OF *hairon* f. pop. L ⁺*hagironem* (nom. -ro) f. OHG *heiger*; OF dim. *heronceau* gives *heronsew*, -shew, -shaw, *hernshaw*, now dial.]

hēr'onr'y, n. Place where herons breed. [-RY]

hēr'pēs (-z), n. Skin disease, with patches of distinct vesicles. Hence hēr'pēt'ic a. [L, f. Gk *herpēs*, -ētos shingles (*herpō* creep)]

hēr'pēt'ō'og'y, n. Zoology of reptiles. So ~ō'ogist n. [f. Gk *herpeton* reptile (*herpō* creep) + -LOGY]

Herr (hār), n. (pl. *Herren*). German equivalent of *Mr*; German gentleman.

hēr'ring, n. North Atlantic fish, much used for food, coming near coast in large shoals to spawn; *kippered ~*, = *KIPPER*; *RED ~*; ~bone, stitch resembling bones of ~, (Archit.) zigzag arrangement of stones or tiles, (v.t.) work with ~bone stitch, mark with ~bone pattern; ~pond, (loc.) North Atlantic. [OE *hæring*, cf. Du. *haring*, G *hering*]

Herrn'huter (hār'n'hōō-), n. One of the sect of Moravians. [f. *Herrnhut*, their first German settlement]

hers. See **HER**.

hēr'self, pron. Emphatic & reflexive form corr. to SHE, as *she said it ~*, *she has hurt ~*, *ask the woman ~*; *she is not ~* (in her normal state of body or mind). [OE *hire self*]

Hērt'zian, a. ~ waves, electric waves (so called from the discoveries of H. R. Hertz, German physicist, d. 1894); ~ telegraphy, wireless. [-IAN]

hēs'itant (-z), a. Hesitating; irresolute. So ~ANCE, ~ANOY, nn. [as foll., see -ANT]

hēs'itāt'e (-z), v.i. Show, speak with, indecision; scruple, be reluctant, to (do). Hence or cogn. ~ingly² adv., hēs'itāTION n., ~IVE a. (-z). [f. L *hesitare* frequent. of *haerere* haes- stick fast, see -ATE¹]

Hēs'per'ian, a. (poet.). Western. [f. L f. Gk *Hesperios* (as *HESPERUS*) + -AN]

hēs'peris, n. Genus including ROCKET¹ & Dame's Violet. [L, f. Gk *Hesperis* of evening, of the West (as foll.)]

hēs'perōrn'is, n. American genus of fossil birds. [as foll. + Gk *ornis* bird]

Hēs'perus, n. Evening star. [L, f. Gk *hesperos* a. & n., western, evening (star)]

Hēs'sian (-ahn), a. & n. 1. Of Hesse in Germany; ~ (boot), high boot first worn by ~ troops; ~ fly, fly whose larva de-

stroys wheat. 2. n. Strong coarse cloth of hemp or jute. [-IAN]

hést, n. (arch.). Behest. [OE *hæs* (*hdian*, see HIGHT), assim. to OE nn. in -t]

hëtaer'a (-tëra), **-air'a** (-ïra), n. (pl. -rae). Courtesan, mistress. [Gk *hetaira*, fem. of *hetairo* companion]

hëtaer'ism (-ër-), **-air'ism** (-ïr-), n. Open concubinage; communal marriage in a tribe. [f. Gk *hetairismos* (as prec., see -ISM)]

hët'ero- in comb. (before vowel *heter-*) = Gk *heteros* other, different, as: ~*chrômt'ous*, of different colours; ~*gamous* (-ôg'), irregular as regards stamens & pistils; ~*graphy* (-ôg'), incorrect or inconsistent spelling; ~*morph'ic*, of dissimilar forms; ~*morph'ism*, diversity of form; ~*nomous* (-ôn'), subject to different laws (of growth etc.), subject to an external law (of AUTONOMOUS); ~*nomy* (-ôn'), presence of a different law, subjection to external law; ~*pùth'ic*, = ALLOPATHIC, (also) differing in effect; ~*phÿll'ous*, bearing leaves of different forms on same plant; ~*sexual* a., relating to or characterized by the normal relation of the sexes (also as n.; opp. HOMOSEXUAL); ~*lary*, abnormal disposition of organs or parts.

hët'eroclite, a. & n. (gram.). Irregularly declined; (n.) = noun. [f. F *hétéroclite* L. f. Gk *heteroklitos* f. *klînô* infect]

hët'erodôx, a. (Of person or opinion) not orthodox. So ~y n. [f. Gk *heterodoxos* (*dôxa* opinion)]

hët'erodÿne, **-dÿning**, nn. Apparatus for, process of, converting a high-frequency wireless wave to one of an audible frequency by superposing another high-frequency wave of nearly the same period and so producing a pulsation. [HETERO-, Gk *dunamis* force]

hët'erogén'eous, a. Diverse in character; composed of diverse elements; (Math.) incommensurable because of different kinds. Hence or cogn. **hët'erogéné'try**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. scholastic L *heterogeneus* f. Gk *heterogenês* f. *genos* kind) + -OUS]

hët'erogén'ësis, n. Birth of a living being otherwise than from parent of same kind, esp. spontaneous generation from inorganic matter. So **hët'erogénë'tic** a. [HETERO-]

hët'erozÿg'ôte, n. (Mendelism). Zygote resulting from fusion of unlike gametes. So ~OUS a. [HETERO-]

hët'man, n. Polish military commander (retained as title among Cossacks). [Polish]

heuris'tic (hür-), a. & n. Serving to discover; ~ *method*, system of education under which the pupil is trained to find out things for himself, so ~s n. pl. [Irreg. f. Gk *heurisko* find, see -IC]

hew, v.t. & i. (p.p. ~n or ~ed). Chop, cut, (thing down, away, off, asunder, to pieces, etc.) with axe, sword, etc.; cut into shape;

~ one's way, make a way for oneself by ~ing; deal cutting blows at, among, etc. [com.-Teut.: OE *hëawan*, Du. *houwen*, G *hauen*]

hew'er, n. One who hews; man who cuts coal from seam; ~s of wood & drawers of water, drudges (Joshua ix. 21). [-ER¹]

hëx'a- in comb. (before vowel, & in some mod. words before consonant, *hex-*) = Gk *hex* six, as: ~*chord* (-k-), diatonic series of six notes with semitone between third & fourth; ~*gon*, ~*gonal* (-âg'), (figure) having six sides; ~*gram*, figure formed by two intersecting equilateral triangles (the angular points coinciding with those of a ~gon), figure of six lines; ~*hëd'ral* (-a-h-) a., ~*hëd'ron* (-a-h-) n., (figure) having six faces; ~*pod* n. & a., (animal) with six feet; ~*pody* (-îp'), line of verse of six feet; ~*style* a. & n., (portico) of six columns; ~*syllab'ic*; ~*teuch* (-k), first six books of Bible.

hëx'ad, n. A six (uses as PENTAD). [f. Gk *hexas* -ados (*hex* six, -AD)]

hëxâm'éter, n. Line of six metrical feet, esp. *dactylic* ~ (five dactyls & trochee or spondee, any of first four feet, & rarely the fifth, being replaced by spondee). Hence **hëxâmët'ric** a., **hëxâm'étrist** n. [L. f. Gk *hexametros* f. *metron* measure]

hëx'apla, n. Six-fold text in parallel columns, esp. of Old or New Testament. [Gk, neut. pl. of *hexaploos* -fold]

hey (hâ), int. calling attention, or of joy, surprise, or interrogation; ~ *for* ~! (expr. applause or exultant appreciation); ~ *presto* (conjurer's phrase of command, hence used to announce surprising transformation etc.). [ME, Du., G]

hey-day¹ (hâ-), int. expr. joy, surprise, etc. [*hey* prob. = prec.; *day* unexpl.]

hey-day² (hâ-), n. Full bloom, flush, (of youth, vigour, prosperity, etc.). [I]

heyduck (hi'dûk), n. Hungarian of an ennobled military class; Polish liveried retainer. [f. Pol. *hajduk* brigand]

hi, int. calling attention. [parallel form to *HEY*]

hiât'us, n. (pl. ~es). Break, gap, esp. in a series, account, or chain of proof; break between two vowels coming together not in the same syllable. [L, vbl n. f. *hiare* gape]

hib'ernâte, v.i. Spend the winter (of animals) in torpid state, (of persons) in mild climate; (fig.) remain inactive. So ~ANT a., ~A'TION n. [f. L *hibernare* (*hibernus* wintry), see -ATE¹]

Hibérn'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Ireland. [f. L *Hibernia* Ireland, corrupt. of *Iverna* f. Gk *Iernê* f. O.Celt. ¹*Ivertu*, whence *Erin*; see -AN]

Hibérn'icism, n. Irish idiom, expression, or bull. [as prec., on *Amigicism* etc.]

hibis'cus, n. Cultivated malvaceous plant or shrub; rose-mallow. [L. f. Gk *hibiskos* marsh mallow]

hiccup, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* Involuntary spasm of respiratory organs, with sudden closure of glottis & characteristic sound; (*v.i.*) make ~; (*v.t.*) say, bring out, with ~(*s.*). [*vb* *f. n.*] earlier *hicket*, *imit.*; *hiccough* due to pop. etym.]

hic jē cēt. *n.* Epitaph. [*L.* = here Hes]

***hick**, *H.*, *n.* (colloq.). Countryman, farmer, provincial. [*f*]

hick'ory, *n.* N.-Amer. tree allied to walnut, with tough heavy wood; wood, stick, of this. [*f. native Virginian pohickery*]

hid, *hidden*. See **HIDE**².

hidāl'gō, *n.* (pl. ~s). Spanish gentleman. [*Sp.*, *f. hijo dalgo* (*L filius de aliquo*) son of something]

hide¹, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Animal's skin, raw or dressed; (*joc.*) human skin, as *to save his own* ~; ~bound, (of cattle) with skin clinging close as result of bad feeding, (*fig.*) narrow-minded. 2. *v.t.* (colloq.). Flog. Hence (-)hid'ed² *a.* [*OE* *hȳd*, cf. *Du.* *huid*, *G* *haut*, & *L* *cutis*, *Gk* *kutos*]

hide², *v.t.* & *i.* (past *hid*, *p.p.* *hidden*, *hid*), & *n.* 1. Put, keep, out of sight (~ one's *light* under a BUSHEL); keep (fact) secret (*from*); keep (thing) from view without that intention; ~ one's *head*, keep out of sight from shame etc.; (*intr.*) conceal oneself; ~ & seek, children's game (also *fig.* of dealings with evasive person or thing). 2. *n.* Place of concealment used in observation of wild animals; ~out (colloq.), hiding-place. [*OE* *hȳdan*, cf. *M Du.* *hiden*; cogn. *w. Gk* *kcutō*]

hide³, *n.* (hist.). Measure of land, as much as would support one free family & dependants (perh. about 120 acres). [*OE* *hīd*, *higid* (*hiv*-household)]

hid'eous, *a.* Frightful, repulsive, revolting, to senses or mind, as ~ *crime*, *noise*, *pattern*. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [*f. OE* *hīdos* (*hīsd* fear, *etym. dub.*, -OUS)]

hid'ing¹, *n.* Thrashing. [*f. HIDE*¹ + -ING¹]

hid'ing², *n.* In *vbl* senses of **HIDE**², esp.: *be in* ~, remain hidden; ~place, place of concealment. [-ING¹]

hie, *v.i.* (poet.). Go quickly (*to etc.*); (*with pers.* pron. used reflexively, orig. *dat.*) ~ thee, he ~d him. [*OE* *higian* strive, pant, cf. *Du.* *hijgen*, *G* *heichen*]

hi'erārch (-k), *n.* Chief priest; archbishop. [*f. med. L* (-cha) *f. Gk* *hierarkhēs* (*hieros* sacred + *arkhēs* ruler)]

hi'erārchy (-k-), *n.* Each of three divisions of angels; the angels; priestly government; organized priesthood in successive grades; any graded organization. Hence **hierārch'io(AL)** *aa.*, **hi'erārchism**(3) *n.*, (-k-). [*f. OF* *terarchie* *f. LL* (*ier*-) *f. Gk* *hierarkhia* (as *prec.*)]

hierāt'ic, *a.* Of the priests (esp. of ancient Egyptian writing, & of Egyptian & Greek traditional styles of art); priestly. [*f. L* *f. Gk* *hieratikos* *f. hieramai* be a priest (*hierous*), -IO]

hiere- in comb. = *Gk* *hieros* sacred, holy,

as: ~cracy (-ōk'), priestly rule; ~gram, ~graph, (hi'), sacred inscription or symbol; ~latry (-ōl'), worship of saints; ~logy (-ōl'), sacred literature or lore.

hi'eroglyph, *n.* Figure of an object standing for a word, syllable, or sound, as used in ancient Egyptian & other writing; writing of this kind; secret symbol; writing difficult to make out. [*f. foll.*]

hieroglyph'ic, *a.* & *n.* 1. Of, written in, hieroglyphs; symbolical. 2. *n. pl.* Hieroglyphs. Hence ~AL *a.*, ~ALY² *adv.* [*f. LL* *f. Gk* *hieroglyphikos* *f. gluphē* carving, see -IO]

hi'erophānt, *n.* (*Gk* Ant.) initiating priest; expounder of sacred mysteries. Hence **hierophān'tic** *a.* [*f. LL* *f. Gk* *hierophantes* *f. phainō* show]

hig'gle, *v.i.* Dispute about terms; chaffer. [*prob. conn. w. HAGGLE*]

hig'gledy-pig'gledy (-geld-), *adv.*, *a.*, & *n.* (1n) utter confusion. [*f*]

high (hi), *a.*, *n.*, & *adv.* 1. Of great or specified upward extent, as *a ~ hill*, *one inch ~*; situated far above ground, sea level, etc.; upper, inland, as *H ~ Asia*, *H ~ Dutch, German*; (of physical actions) extending to or from, performed at, a height, as ~ jump, ~ flying; of exalted rank; *the Most H ~, God*; of exalted quality, as ~ art, ~ minds; ~ spirit (courageous, enterprising); *a ~ (very favourable) opinion of*; ~ life, that of the upper classes; ~ (luxurious) feeding; (of meat or game) slightly tainted; great, intense, extreme, as *in ~ favour*, ~ pressure, ~ temperature; *how is that for* ~? (*sl. appeal to wonder*); ~ latitude (far from equator); ~ colour, (esp.) red complexion, flu-h, blush; expensive, as *corn is ~*; (of time) far advanced, as ~ noon, *it is ~ time to go*; (of sounds) acute in pitch, shrill; ~ (angry) words; extreme in opinion, as *a ~ Tory*; ~ (elated, hilarious) spirits; ~ & dry, (of ship) out of the water, (*fig.*) out of the current of events, of the old High Church before the Oxford movement; (of officers etc.) chief, as *H ~ Admiral, Chancellor*; *with a ~ HAND*; *on the ~ HORSE*; ~ & low, (people) of all conditions, (*adv.*) everywhere (esp. *search ~ & low*); ~ & mighty, arrogant; *on the ~ ropes*, (colloq.) elated, disdainful, enraged. 2. *n.* A ~ level or figure; the ~est card dealt or drawn; *from on ~*, from heaven or a ~ place; *on ~*, in or to heaven or a ~ place; *the H ~* (colloq.), *H ~ Street*, esp. at Oxford. 3. *adv.* Far up, aloft; in, to, a ~ degree; at a ~ price; (of sounds) at, to, a ~ pitch; *play ~*, play for ~ stakes, play card of ~ value; *run ~*, (of sea) have strong current with ~ tide (also *fig.* of feelings). 4. ~ (chief) altar; ~ball, a whisky-and-soda served in a tall glass; ~blower, horse that flaps nostrils noisily; ~born, of noble birth; ~brow, *a.* & *n.* (colloq.), (person) of detached intellectual

or cultural interests (~*browed*, of ~brow kind); *H~ Church* n. & a., (party, principles) giving a ~ place to authority of Episcopate and priesthood, saving grace of sacraments, etc.; *H~Churchman*, holder of these principles; ~(*er*) *command*, the commander-in-chief of an army and his staff; || *H~ Court*, supreme court (usu. = *H~ Court of Justice*); ~*day*, festival day; ~ *EXPLOSIVE*; ~ *fahul'in(g)* (-lōō-) a. & n. [etym. dub.], bombast(ic); ~ *farming*, extensive use of fertilizers in cultivation; ~*flown*, extravagant, bombastic; ~*flyer*, ~*fler*, (fig.) ambitious person, one who has ~flown notions; ~*flying*, (fig.) ambitious; ~ *FREQUENCY*; ~*handed*, overbearing, arbitrary; ~*hat*, (n.) person affecting superiority, (v.t.) treat superciliously, (v.i.) assume a superior attitude; ~ *JINKS*; ~*lands*, mountainous or elevated country, esp. (Sc. pron. hēl'ants) N. part of Scotland; *Highlander*, inhabitant of (esp. the Scottish) ~lands; ~ *light*, (of paintings etc.) any of the brightest parts of the subject or its representation (often pl.); ~*lows* (arch.), boots reaching over ankles; ~ *MASS*; ~*mind'ed*, of morally lofty character, (arch.) proud (*Lord, I am not ~minded*); ~*mind'edness*, one of these qualities; ~*pitched*, (of sound) acute in pitch, (of roof etc.) steep, (fig.) of lofty character; ~ *priest*, chief priest, esp. of the Jews; ~ *priori road*, resort to assumption (see a *PRIORI*) in preference to reasoning; ~ *road*, main road; ~ *school* (for secondary education); ~ *SEAS*; ~*spirited*, of lofty or courageous spirit; ~*stepp'cr*, horse that lifts its feet ~ in walking & trotting (also fig.); || *H~ Street* (often proper name of principal street in town, at Oxford usu. *the H~*); ~*strung'*, in ~ state of vigour or sensitiveness; || ~ *table* (for the fellows of college, colloq. *the ~*); ~ *tea*, tea at which meat is served; ~ *TIDE*; ~ *TREASON*; ~ *water*, state of tide when water is ~est, time when tide is at the full; ~*wa'ter mark*, level reached at ~ water, (fig.) recorded maximum in any fluctuation; ~*way*, public road (often *the king's~way*), main route by land or water, (fig.) ordinary direct course (of action etc.); ~*wayman*, man (usu. mounted, cf. *footpad*) who robs passengers on ~way; ~*WING*. [com.-Teut.: OE *hēah*, Du. *hoog*, G *hoch*]

high'ly (hil-), adv. In a high degree, as ~*amusing*, ~*polished*; *commend*, *esteem*, ~; ~*paid* (at a high price); honourably, favourably, as *think*, *speak*, ~; ~*descended* (of noble parentage). [OE *hēaltice* (as prec., see -LY²)]

high'ness (hīn-), n. Title of various British and other princes etc., as *His, Her, (Royal, Serene, Imperial) H~*; (used where height is not idiomatic) *the ~ of his character*, of *taxation*, *fell from sheer~ of (but reached the height of his) ambition*. [OE *hēanes* (as *HIGH*, see -NESS)]

hight (hit), p.p. (arch., poet., joc.). Called, named. [irreg. p.p. of OE *hidian*, com.-Teut., cf. Du. *heeten*, G *heissen*]

***hi'jacker**, n. (sl.). Person who preys on bootleggers, appropriating & profiting by their illicit liquor. [?]

hijra. = *HEGIRA*.

hike, n., & v.i. & t. (colloq.). 1. Long tramp in the country undertaken for pleasure or exercise. 2. vb. Walk vigorously or laboriously; go for long tramp; hoist, shove, force to move. Hence **hik'ER** n. [etym. dub., orig. dial.]

hilār'ious, a. Mirthful, joyous. Hence or cogn. ~*LY* adv., ~*NESS*, **hilā'rious**, nn. [f. L *hilaris* + *OUS*]

|| **Hil'ary**, n. ~ *term*, legal or university term beginning in Jan. [*Hilarius*, d. 367, w. festival 13 Jan.]

hill, n., & v.t. Natural elevation of earth's surface, small mountain; *the ~s* (Anglo-Ind.), a ~station as health-resort etc.; heap, mound, however raised, as *ant-dung*, *mole*, ~; (v.t.) form into ~, bank up (plants) with soil. Hence ~*Y* a., ~*INESS* n. [(vb f. n.) OE *hyll*, cf. MDu. *hul*, *hul*; also L *collis* hill, *celsus* high, *culmen* top]

hillō', -*loa'* (-lō), (or *hlō'*), int. used to hail distant person or to express surprise at meeting. [cf. HALLO]

hill'ock, n. Small hill or mound. [-OCK]

hilt, n., & v.t. Handle of sword or dagger; *prove etc. up to the ~*, completely; (v.t.) furnish with ~. [(vb f. n.) OE & MDu.]

hil'um, n. (bot.; pl. -*ia*). Point of attachment of seed to seed-vessel. [L, = little thing, trifle]

him, pron. Objective case of *HE*; colloq. also subjective, esp. after *than*, as *that's ~*, *you are worse than ~*. [OE, dat. of *HE* & *IT*]

himself, pron. Emphatic & reflexive form corr. to *HE*, as *he did it ~*, *I saw the man ~*, *he hurt ~*; *he is not ~* (not in his normal state of body or mind). [*HIM* + *SELF*]

hind¹, n. Female of (esp. red) deer, esp. in and after third year. [OE, cf. Du. & G *hinde*]

|| **hind²**, n. Farm servant, esp. (in Scotland & northern England) married & skilled farm-workman, having charge of two horses, & provided with cottage on the farm; steward; rustic, boor. [ME *hine*, prob. f. OE *hīna*, *hīgna*, genit. pl. of *hīgan*, *hīman*, domestics]

hind³, a. Situated at the back, posterior, (less usu. than *hinder* oxc. of things in pairs, front & back, as ~ *leg*, *quarters*, *wheel*). [ME, perh. back formation f. OE *hinder* adv. = Goth. *hindar*, G *hinter*, taken as compar. adj., or a shortening of *behindan* *BEHIND*]

hind'er¹. See *prec.*

hind'er², v.t. Impede, obstruct, prevent, as *you will ~ him*, ~ *his work*, ~ *the*

completion, ~ *him from working* (or abs.). [OE *hindrian*, cf. G *hindern*; f. *hindar* adv., see HIND²]

Hin'di (-ē), a. & n. (Aryan vernacular language) of N. India. [Hind. (*hind* India)]

hind'most, a. Furthest behind; most remote. [HIND²]

hind'rance, n. Obstruction, prevention; obstacle. [f. HINDER² + -ANCE]

Hindu' (-dōu), -dōō', (or hī'), n. & a. 1. Aryan of N. India who (also, any one who) professes Hinduism. 2. adj. Of the ~s, that is a ~; (loosely) Indian. [Pers., f. *hind* India = Skr. *Sindhu* river (esp. the Indus)]

Hinduism (-dō-), -dōōism, n. Polytheistic religion of the Hindus. [-ISM]

Hinduize (-dō-), -dōōize, v.t. Render Hindu in religion, customs, etc. [-IZE]

Hindustā'nī, -dooōstā'nee, (-dōōstāhnē), a. & n. 1. Of Hindustan. 2. n. Hindu, Mohammedan, of Upper India; language of Mohammedan conquerors of Hindustan, Urdu (Hindi mixed with Arabic, Persian, etc.). [Pers. (-ī), = of *Hindustan* country of the Hindus (HINDU + -stan place)]

hinge (-j), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Movable joint or mechanism like that by which door is hung on side post; natural joint doing similar work, as that of bivalve shell; *off the ~s*, in disordered state of body or mind; (fig.) central principle, critical point, on which all turns. 2. v.t. Attach (as) with ~. 3. v.i. (Of door etc. or fig.) hang & turn on (post, principle, etc.). Hence *hingep*² (-jd), ~LESS (-jl-), aa. [(vb f. n.) ME *heng*, cf. Du. *henghe*, conn. w. HANG]

hinn'y¹, n. Offspring of she-ass by stallion, cf. MULE¹. [f. L *hinnus*, cf. Gk *hinnos*, *ginnos*]

|| **hinn'y**², -nie. See HONEY.

hint, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Slight indication, covert or indirect suggestion. 2. v.t. Suggest slightly (thing, *that*). 3. v.i. ~ *at*, give a ~ of. [(vb f. n.) prob. f. obs. *hent* lay hold of, etym. dub.]

hin'terlānd, n. District behind coast or river's banks. [G]

hip¹, n. Projection of pelvis & upper part of thigh-bone, in men & quadrupeds; *have* (person) on the ~ (at a disadvantage); *smile ~ & thigh* (unsparingly); (Archit.) arête of roof from ridge to eaves; ~ *both* (in which one sits immersed to the ~s); ~ *disease* (of ~-joint, with fungous growth); ~ *roof* (with ends as well as sides inclined). Hence (-hippen² (-pt) a. [OE *hype*, cf. Du. *heup*, G *Hüfte*]

hip², hēp, n. Fruit of (esp. wild) rose. [OE *hæpe*, *hlope*, cf. OHG *hinfo*, *hinfo*]

hip³, hēp, n. Morbid depression, the blues. [= *hypochondria*]

hip⁴, v.t. (-pp-). Make low-spirited. [f. *hippo*.]

hip⁵, int. Introducing united cheer, as ~, ~, hurrah.

hipe, v.t., & n. Throw (antagonist in wrestling) in a particular manner; (n.) such throw. [f.]

hipp'ō, n. (colloq.; pl. ~s). Hippopotamus. [abbr.]

hippo- in comb. = Gk *hippos* horse, as: ~ *centaur*, = CENTAUR; ~ *phagy* (-ōf'), practice of eating horse-flesh; ~ *phil* (hē'); ~ *prob*'ia.

hippocām'pus, n. (pl. -ph). Genus of small fishes, sea-horse; (Anat.) ~ *major*, minor, eminences on floor of each lateral ventricle of brain. [f. LL f. Gk *hippo*-(*kampos* sea-monster)]

hipp'ocrās, n. (hist.). Wine flavoured with spices. [f. OF *ipocras* f. *Hippocrates* Gk physician of 5th c. B.C., prob. because strained through filter called *Hippocrates's sleeve*]

hipp'ocrēne, n. Fountain on Mount Helicon sacred to the Muses. [f. f. Gk (*hippos* horse, *krēnē* fountain, as having been produced by stroke of Pegasus's hoof)]

hipp'odrōme, n. (Gk & Rom. Ant.) course for chariot races etc.; circus; (*H*~) theatre for various stage entertainments. [F, f. L f. Gk *hippo*(*dromos* race, course)]

hipp'ogrīph, -grīph, n. Fabulous griffin-like creature with body of horse. [f. F *hippogriffe* f. It. *ippogrifo* (HIPPO- + *grifo* GRIFFIN)]

hippopōt'amus, n. (pl. -muses, -mī). Large African pachydermatous quadruped inhabiting rivers etc. [f. LL f. Gk *hippo*(*potamos* river)]

hīf'cine, a. Goat-like. [f. L *hircinus* (*hircus* goat, see -INE²)]

hīfe¹, n. Payment by contract for use of thing or for personal service; engagement on these terms; (fig.) reward; || ~ *purchase*, ~ *system*, (by which hired thing becomes hirer's after certain number of payments); *on* ~, ready to be hired. [OE *hyr*, cf. Du. *huur*, G *heuer*]

hīfe², v.t. Employ (person) for wages; procure, grant (also ~ *out*), temporary use of (thing) for stipulated payment. Hence **hīf'ABLE** a. [OE *hyrian*, cf. Du. *huren*, G *heuern*]

hire'ling (hīrl-), n. One who serves for hire (usu. derog.). [OE *hyrling* (as **HIRE**¹, see -LING²)]

hīfs'ūte, a. Hairy, shaggy; untrimmed. Hence ~ *NESS* (-tn-) n. [f. L *hirsutus*, cf. *hirtus* shaggy]

his (hiz), a. & pron. Possessive case of, & adj. corr. to, *HE*, also in absolute use, as ~ *hat, it is* ~. [OE, genit. of *HE* & *IT*]

his'pid, a. (bot., zool.). Shaggy; bristly. [f. L *hispidus*]

hiss, v.i. & t., & n. (Of person, snake, goose, liquid poured on fire, etc.) (make) sharp spirant sound of *s*, esp. as sign of

disapproval or derision; express disapproval of (person etc.) thus; ~ off (the stage), away, down, etc., drive off etc. by ~es; utter (quoted words) with angry ~. [imit.]

hist, int. used to call attention, enjoin silence, or incite dog etc.

histo- in comb. = Gk *histos* web, tissue, in biol. wds, as: ~*genesis*, ~*geny* (-oj²), production of organic tissues; ~*genél'ic*, concerned with this; ~*logy* (-ól²), science of organic tissues, whence ~*lo'gical*, ~*logist* (-ól²).

histó'rian, n. Writer of history (esp. in higher sense, as opp. to mere annalist or compiler). [f. F *historien* f. L as HISTORY +AN]

histó'riated, a. (Of ornamental letters etc.) decorated with figures of men or animals. [f. med. L *historiar*: (as HISTORY), see -ATE²]

histó'ric, a. Noted in history; (Lat. & Gk Gram.) ~ *tenses*, those normally used of past events (cf. PRIMARY), ~ *present* (used for past), ~ *infinitive* (used for indicative); = foll. [f. L f. Gk *historikos* (as HISTORY, see -IC)]

histó'rical, a. Of history, as ~ *evidence*, ~ *principles*; belonging to history, not legend; ~ *method* (of investigation), that based on history; in connexion with history, from the historian's point of view (of purely ~ *interest*); belonging to the past, not of the present; (of novel, picture, etc.) dealing with ~ events; = prec. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

histori'city, n. Historical character, genuineness, of alleged event etc. [-ITY]

histó'riog'rapher, n. Writer of history, esp. official historian of a court etc. [f. LL *historiographus* (as HISTORY, see -GRAPHER)]

histó'riog'raphy, n. Writing of history. Hence **histó'riograph'ic** (AL) aa. [f. Gk *historiographia* (as foll., see -GRAPHY)]

his'tory, n. Continuous methodical record of public events; (no pl.) study of growth of nations; whole train of events connected with nation, person, thing, etc.; eventful past career, as *this knife has a ~*; (no pl.) aggregate of past events, course of human affairs; *ancient ~* (usu. to A.D. 476), (joc.) thing that is out of date; *medieval*, *modern*, ~ (to, from, 15th c.); *systematic account of natural phenomena* etc., esp. NATURAL¹ ~; historical play. [f. L f. Gk *historia* inquiry, ~, (*histór* learned man f. id.-know)]

his'trion, n. Stage-player (usu. derog.). [F, f. L *historionem* (nom. -io)]

histrión'ic, a. & n. 1. Of actors or acting; stagy, hypocritical, whence *his'trionism*, ~*icism*, nn. 2. n. pl. Theatricals, theatrical art, pretence. Hence ~*ically* adv. [f. LL *historionicus* (as prec., see -IC)]

hit¹, v.b. & i. (hit). -Strike with blow or

missile; direct blow at; (of moving body) strike; (intr.) strike *against*, upon; deliver (blow, person etc. a blow); (fig.) affect sensibly, wound, as *hard ~* (e.g. by money losses); (also ~ upon) light upon, get at, (thing aimed at); (also ~ off) imitate to a nicety; fall in with, suit; ~ *below the bell*, play foul in boxing & fig.; ~ *it*, ~ *the (right) nail on the head*, guess right, express the exact truth; ~ *it off*, agree (*with, together*); ~ *out*, deal vigorous blows; ~ *up* (Cricket), score, make (runs). [OE *hyttan*, cf. Sw. *hitta*, Da. *hitte*]

hit², n. Blow, stroke; stroke of sarcasm etc. (a); stroke of good luck; successful attempt. [f. prec.]

hitch¹, v.t. & i. Move (thing) with jerk; shift; ~ *up*, lift with jerk; contrive to bring (thing into story etc.); fasten with loop, hook, etc.; become so fastened (*in, on to*, etc.); ~ *one's wagon to a star*; *~ *hike* v.l., & n., travel by begging lifts from passing motor vehicles. [?]

hitch², n. Jerk, abrupt pull or push; (Naut.) noose, knot, of various kinds, as *half ~* (formed by passing end of rope round its standing part & then through the bight); temporary stoppage; impediment. [f. prec.]

hith'er (-dh-), adv. & a. 1. To, towards, this place (now usu. *here*); ~ & *thither*, in various directions, here & there. 2. adj. Situated on this side, the nearer (of two). 3. ~*to'* (-tōō), up to this time; ~*ward* (arch.), in this direction. [OE *hider*, f. stem of *HE*, *HERE*, +suf. seen in L *citra* on this side]

Hit'lerism, n. The political system, aims, or methods of the German Fuehrer, Adolf Hitler (1889-1945). So ~*ite'* (I) a. & n. [-ISM]

hive, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Also bee~) artificial habitation for bees; (fig.) busy swarming place; ~ful of bees; swarming multitude; ~shaped thing. 2. v.t. Place (bees) in ~, house (persons etc.) snugly, hoard up; (v.l.) enter ~, live together like bees. [OE *hyff*, prob. conn. w. ON *húfr* hull & L *cupa* tub]

hives (-vz), n. pl. Skin eruption: inflammation of bowels, larynx, etc. [?]

h'm. = *HEM*², *HUM*².

hō, int. expr. surprise, admiration, triumph, derision; calling attention; added to other intt. as *heigh-ho*, *what ho*, or (Naut.) to name of destination etc., as *veshward ho*. [not in OE]

hoar (hōr), a. & n. 1. Grey-haired with age; greyish white; ~*frost*, white frost, frozen dew; (of things) grey with age; || ~*stone*, ancient boundary stone. 2. n. Hoariness, ~*frost*. [OE *hār*, cf. OHG *hār* old, G *hehr* august]

hoard (hōrd), n. & v.t. & i. 1. Stock, store, (esp. of money) laid by; amassed stock of facts etc. 2. v.b. Amass (money etc. or abs.) & put away, store up; treasure up.

in the heart; (v.i.) overstock oneself with food etc. in war-time. [(vb OE *hordian*) OE *hord*, cf. OS *hord*, Goth. *huzd*, treasure] || **hoard'ing** (hōr-), n. Fence of boards round building during erection or repairs, often used for posting bills. [f. obs. *hoard* ult. f. OF *hurt* f. OHG *hurt* hurdle, + -ING¹]

hoarhound. See HOREHOUND.

hoarse (hōrs), a. (Of voice) rough, husky, croaking; having such a voice. Hence ~LY² (-sl-) adv., *hoars'EN*⁰ v.t. & i., ~NESS (-sn-) n. [OE *hars*, + *hars*, ME *hōrs*, cf. MDu. *hees*]

hoar' (hōr-), a. (Of hair) grey, white, with age; having such air, venerable; (Bot., Entom.) covered with short white hairs. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

hoax, v.t., & n. 1. Deceive, take in, (person) by way of joke. 2. n. Humorous or mischievous deception. [f. 18th c.; perh. conn. w. HOCUS]

hob, n. Side casing of fireplace, having surface level with top of grate; peg, pin, as mark in quoits etc.; || shoe of sledge; = HOBNAIL. [?]

hob'ble, v.i. & t. Walk lamely, limp; (fig.) proceed haltingly in action or speech; (of verse) have halting rhythm; cause to ~; tie together legs of (horse etc.) to prevent it from straying etc.; tie (legs) thus. [14th c.; prob. cogn. w. Du. *hobbelen* rock from side to side, stammer]

hob'ble, n. Uneven or infirm gait; awkward situation; rope, olog, etc., for hobbling horse etc.; ~ *skirt* (so narrow at foot as to impede wearer in walking). [f. prec.]

hob'blede/hoy' (-beldi-), **hōbbad-**, **hōbbēd-**, n. A small youth, between boyhood & manhood. Hence ~*hoy* HOON, ~*hoy* ISM, nn., ~*hoy* ISH¹ a. (-beldi-). [?]

hōbb'g'ly, n. Favourite subject or occupation that is not one's main business; (arch.) small horse; (hist.) early type of velocipede. [f. OF *hobin*, *hobi*, prob. var. of name *Robin*]

hōbb'g'y, n. A small falcon. [f. OF *hōbbē*] **hōbb'y-horse**, n. Wicker horse used in morris-dance etc.: child's stick with horse's head; rocking-horse; horse on merry-go-round; (now rare) = HOBBY¹.

hōbb'gblin, n. Mischievous imp; bogey; bugbear. [f. *hob* for *Rob(in)* + GORLIN]

hōb'nail, n. Heavy-headed nail for boot-soles. [HOB]

hōb'nailed (-ld), a. Furnished or set with hobnails; ~ *river* (studied with projections like nail-heads). [-EN²]

hōb'nōb, v.i. (-bb-). Drink together; hold familiar intercourse (*with*). [f. *hob* or *nob* = give & take, earlier *hāb nab*, perh. = have or not have]

***hōb'ō**, n. (pl. ~s). Wandering workman or tramp. [?]

Hōb'paw's choice. See OMOION¹. [person]

hōck, n. Joint of quadruped's hind-leg

between true knee & fetlock. [southern by-form of HOUGE]

hōck¹, n. German white wine (prop. that of Hochheim). [earlier *hockamore* f. G *Hochheimer*]

hōck², v.t., & n. (sl.). Pawn, pledge; *in* ~, in pawn, in prison, or in debt. [f. Du. *hok* in sl. sense of debt]

hōck'ey, n. Game played with ball (or puck in ice ~) & curved clubs between goals. [?]

Hōck'tide, n. (hist.). Old festival kept on second Monday and Tuesday after Easter. [etym. of first element dub.]

hōc'us, v.t. (-ss-). Take in, hoax; stupefy (person) with drugs; drug (liquor). [f. obs. n. *hocus* = foll.]

hōc'us-pōc'us, n., & v.i. & t. (-ss-). Jugglery, deception; typical conjuring formula; (v.i.) juggle; (v.t.) play tricks on. [17th-c. sham L]

hōd, n. Builder's light open trough on staff for carrying mortar etc.; ~*man*, labourer who carries ~, (fig.) mechanical worker, literary hack. [prob. = obs. *hot* f. OF *hotte* panier, of G orig.]

|| **hōdd'en**, n. (Sc.). Coarse woollen cloth; ~ *grey*, grey ~, typical rustic garb. [?]

|| **Hōdge**, n. Typical English agricultural labourer. [changed from *Roger*]

hōdge-pōdge, n. = HOTOH-POUCH. [assim. to prec.]

hōdiērn'al, a. Of the present day. [f. L *hodiernus* (*hodie* to-day) + -AL]

hōdōm'eter, **ōd-**, n. Instrument for measuring distance travelled by wheeled vehicle. [f. Gk *hodos* way, see -METER]

hōe, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Tool for loosening soil, scraping up weeds, etc.; *Dutch* ~, kind pushed forward by user. 2. v.t. Weed (crops), loosen (ground), dig up, cut down, with ~; (v.i.) use ~. [(vb f. n.) f. F *houe* f. OHG *houw* (*houwan* HEW)]

hōg¹, n. Swine, esp. castrated male reared for slaughter; || (dial.) young sheep before first shearing; (fig.) coarse, gluttonous, or filthy person; = BOAD¹ ~; *go the whole* ~, do the thing thoroughly; ~*back*, ~*s-back*, crested hill-ridge; ~*fish*, fish with bristles on head; ~ *in armour*, stiff clumsy person; ~ *mane*, horse's mane cut short; ~*s pudding*, ~*s entrail* variously stuffed; ~*wash*, kitchen swill etc. for ~*s*. Hence ~*g'ish*¹ (-g-), ~*like*, aa., ~*g'ish*-LY² adv., ~*g'ishness*, ~*ling*¹, nn. [ME, etym. dub.]

hōg², v.t. & i. (-gg-). Raise (back etc.), rise, archwise in the centre; cut (mane) short; (colloq.) behave like a road-hog. [f. prec.]

|| **hōgg'ēt** (-g-), n. Yearling sheep. [HOG⁴ + -ET¹]

hōgg'in (-g-), n. Sifted gravel. [?]

|| **hōg'manay**, n. (Sc.). Last day of year; gift of cake etc. demanded by children on that day. [f. OF *apuyllanneuf* (mod. Norman *hoguignettes*, Guernsey *haginono*)

etym. dub., prob. containing *l'an neuf* [the new year]

hōgs'head (-z-hēd), *n.* Large cask; liquid measure, 52½ imperial gallons (abbr. *hhd*). [*l.* HOOS¹ (unexpl.) + *HEAD*]

hoi(c)k, *v.t. & i.* Force (aeroplane) to turn abruptly upwards; ~ aeroplane. [*cf.* dial. *hike* swing, toss]

hoick(s), *int.* used to incite hounds (also *yoicks*). [?]

hoi polloi. See *POLLOI*.

hoist¹, *v.t., & n.* 1. Raise aloft (esp. flags); raise by means of tackle etc. 2. *n.* ~ing, shove up; elevator, lift. [(*n. f. vi*) corrupt. of obs. *hoise*, earlier *hyse*, *cf.* *Da. hisse*, *Du. hijschen*, *F. hisser*, etym. dub.]

hoist², *p.p.* ~ with his own petard, blown up by his own bomb, ruined by his own devices against others. [*p.p.* of *hoise*, see *prec.*]

hoit'y-toit'y, *n., a., & int.* 1. *n.* (now rare). Riotous or giddy conduct. 2. *adj.* Frolicsome; haughty; petulant. 3. *int.* expr. surprised protest at undue assumption etc. [*prob. f. obs. hoit v. romp*, etym. dub.]

hōk'ey-pōk'ey, *n.* = *HOCUS-FOCUS*; cheap ice-cream sold by street vendors. [*l.* *HOCUS-FOCUS*; second sense *perh.* of *diff. orig.*]

hōk'um, *n.* (orig. U.S., sl.). Theatrical plot or business, (now esp.) film scenario, designed to appeal to the uncritical; bunkum. [*perh. portmanteau of HOCUS-FOCUS and BUNKUM*]

hōld¹, *v.t. & i.* (*hēld*; also arch. *p.p.* ~en in formal reports of meetings etc.). 1. Keep fast, grasp (*held!* at Rugby football, claim that ball being held by opponent as well as runner must be put down); keep (oneself, one's head, etc.) in particular attitude; (of vessel) contain; possess, be the owner or holder or tenant of, (property, stocks, land); (Mil.) keep possession of (place); occupy (place, person's thoughts, etc.); engross (person, his attention); keep (person etc.) in specified place, condition, etc., as ~ him at bay, *in suspense*; ~ detain in custody; ~ thing over one, threaten him constantly with it; make (person) adhere to (terms, promise); observe, celebrate, conduct, (festival, meeting, conversation); use (insolent etc. language); ~ to (bind by) *bail*; restrain, as ~ your noise, tongue, (~ one's hand, refrain from punishing or other action; *there is no ~ing him* etc., he etc. is restive or in high spirits or determined); think, believe, (thing, that, person etc. to be; ~ it good, think it advisable to do); (of judge or court) lay down, decide (*that*); entertain specified feeling towards, as ~ him in esteem, contempt; ~ thing cheap (not value it); ~ dear (regard with affection). 2. *intr.* Remain unbroken, not give way; ~ by, to, adhere to (choice, purpose, etc.); ~ with, approve of; (of laws etc., also ~

good, true) be valid, apply; keep going, esp. ~ on one's way; (arch.) ~!, stop, wait. 3. ~ one's hand, forbear; ~ one's head high, behave proudly; ~ up one's head, not be downcast; ~ one's ground, or one's own, not give way; ~ the baby; ~ water, (fig.) be sound, bear examination. 4. ~ aloof, avoid communication with persons etc.; ~ back, (trans.) restrain, (intr.) hesitate, refrain from; ~ down, remain in (one's situation), keep (one's job); ~ forth, speak publicly (usu. derog.); ~ hard, stop (imperative); ~ in, confine, keep in check; ~ off, (intr.) delay; ~ on, keep one's grasp on something, (colloq. imper.) stop; ~ out, (trans.) stretch forth, offer (inducement etc.), (intr.) endure, persist; ~ over, postpone; ~ together *t. & i.*, (cause to) cohere; ~ up, support, sustain, (lit. & fig.), exhibit, display, (esp. to derision etc.), arrest progress of, obstruct, stop & rob on highway, (of horse) keep up, not fall; ~ up, detention by force (of person, vehicle, train, etc.) for purposes of robbery (also attrib.). 5. ~ all, portable case for clothes etc.; ~ back, hindrance; ~ fast, firm grasp, staple or clamp securing object to wall etc. [*com.-Teut.*: OE *haldan*, MDu. *houden*, G *halten*]

hōld², *n.* Grasp (lit. & fig.), esp. take, get, keep, ~ of; opportunity of holding, thing to hold by; (fig.) ~ (on), influence (over). [*f. prec.*]

hōld³, *n.* Cavity in ship below deck, where cargo is stowed. [*corrupt. of HOLE*]

hōld'er, *n.* In *vbl* senses, esp.: temporary occupant of office etc.; contrivance for holding something, as *cigar, pen*, ~. [*-ER*¹]

hōld'ing, *n.* In *vbl* senses, esp.: tenure of land; land held; stocks etc. held; ~ company, one created to hold the shares of subsidiaries. [*-ING*¹]

hōle¹, *n.* Hollow place in solid body; deep place in stream etc.; animal's burrow; small mean abode; cavity into which ball etc. must be got in various games; (Golf) point scored by player who gets ball from one ~ to another with fewest strokes; perforation; (sl.) awkward situation (*am in rather, a devil of, a hole*); pick ~s in, find fault with; make a ~ in, use large amount of; round (square) peg in square (round) ~, person not fitted for his place; ~-&-corner, secret, underhand. Hence *hōl'ey*² *a.* [OE & Du. *hol*; orig. neut. *adj.*]

hōle³, *v.t. & i.* Make holes in; (Naut.) pierce side of (ship); make (shaft, tunnel); (Mining, intr.) dig through from one working to another; put into hole; (also ~ out) put (golf-ball, or abs.) into hole. [OE *hollan*, see *prec.*]

hōl'iday (-di or -dā), *n.* Day of cessation from work or of recreation; (usu. pl.) period of this, vacation; || *BANK*³ ~;

BLIND¹ *man's* ~; *make* ~, *take a* ~, cease from work; ~ (gay) *clothes*; || ~ *task* (to be done by schoolboy during ~a); = **HOLY-day**. [OE *heligdag*, see **HOLY & DAY**]

hōll'ly, adv. In a holy manner. [-LY²]

hōll'iness, n. Sanctity; *H~*, *his H~*, title of Pope. [OE *hālignes* (**HOLY**, -NESS)]

hōll'ism, n. (philos.). Tendency in nature to form wholes that are more than the sum of the parts by creative evolution. [as **HOLO-** + **-ISM**]

hōll'a, int. See **HOLLO**. [f. F *hold*]

Hōll'and, n. Province of northern Netherlands, kingdom of the Netherlands, whence ~ER¹ (4) n.; a linen fabric; *brown* ~, this unbleached. [Du., f. *holt* wood + *-lant* land]

Hōll'ands (-2), n. A grain spirit. [f. Du. *hollandsch genever*, Holland gin]

hōll'ō¹, int. calling attention; (n.) the cry ~. [conn. w. **HOLLA**]

hōll'ō², -low¹ (-ō), -la, -loa (-ō), v.i. & t. Shout (l. & t.); call to hounds. [as prec.]

hōll'ow² (-ō), a., n., & adv. Having a hole, not solid; ~ **SQUARE**; empty, hungry; (of sound) not full-toned; (fig.) empty, insincere, false; (n.) ~ place, hole, valley, basin; (adv.) *beaten* ~ (completely); ~-eyed, with eyes deep sunk; ~-hearted, insincere; ~ *race* etc., feebly contested. Hence ~LY² (-ōil) adv., ~NESS (-ōn-) n. [ME *holg*, *holeh*, *holu*, a., OE *holh* n., prob. = *hol* **HOLE**]

hōll'ow³ (-ō), v.t. (Also ~ *out*) excavate; bend into hollow shape. [f. prec.]

|| **Hōll'oway** (-o-w-), n. (Used for) ~ prison (for women awaiting trial & convicted debtors). [place]

hōll'y, n. Evergreen shrub with prickly leaves, small green flowers, & red berries. [OE *hole(g)n*, cf. Du. & G *hulst*]

hōll'yhōck, n. Tall plant with large flowers of many varieties of colour. [f. **HOLY** + obs. *hock* mallow, OE *hoc*, etym. dub.]

Hōll'ywōōd, n. (Used for) moving pictures of American type, chiefly made at ~ in California. [place]

holm¹, -me, (hōm), n. Islet, esp. in river or near mainland; || flat ground by river, submerged in time of flood. [f. ON *holmr*]

holm² (hōm), n. (Usu. ~-oak) evergreen oak, flex. [corrupt. of OE *holen HOLLY* (from resemblance in foliage) + **OAK**]

hōl'o- in comb. = Gk *holos* whole, as: ~ *graph* a. & n., (document) wholly in handwriting of person in whose name it appears; ~ *hēd'ral*, (of crystal) having full number of planes for perfect symmetry; ~ *metab'ola* n. pl., insects undergoing complete metamorphosis; ~ *phōtic*, apparatus for making available all the light of a lamp (in lighthouse etc.).

hōl'ocaust, n. Whole burnt-offering; *wholesale sacrifice* (fig.) or destruction. [f. F *holocauste* f. LL f. Gk *holokausōn* burnt f. *kaiō*]

hōlothū'ian, a. & n. (Animal) of the genus *Holothuria*, sea-alug. [f. mod. L *Holothuria*, n. pl. f. Gk *holothourion*, a zoophyte]

holpen. See **HELP**¹.

hōl'ster, n. Leather case for pistol, fixed to saddle or worn on belt. [17th-c. E & Du., cf. Icel. *hulstr* case, Sw. *holster*]

|| **hōlt'**, n. (Poet.) wood, copse; wooded hill. [OE, cf. Du. *hout* timber, G *holz* wood, a wood]

hōlt'², n. Animal's (esp. otter's) lair. [var. of **HOLD**²]

hōl'y, a. & n. 1. Consecrated, sacred; morally & spiritually perfect; belonging to, commissioned by, devoted to, God; of high moral excellence. 2. n. ~ of *holies*, inner chamber of sanctuary in Jewish temple, separated by veil from ~ *place* or outer chamber, (fig.) innermost shrine. 3. *H~ Alliance*, covenant formed in 1815-16 between the sovereigns of Russia, Prussia, and Austria, by which they bound themselves to be guided by Christian principles in domestic and foreign policy; *H~ CITY*; ~ *cross* (of Christ); *H~ Cross day*, festival of Exaltation of the Cross, Sep. 14; ~ *day*, religious festival; *H~ FAMILY*; *H~ Ghost, Spirit*, third person of the Godhead; *H~ GRAIL*; ~ *Joe* (naut. sl.), pious person; *H~ Land*, W. Palestine, esp. Judaea; *H~ OFFICE*; ~ *ORDERS*; *H~ ROMAN Empire*; ~ *terror* (sl.), formidable person, embarrassing child, bore; *H~ Thursday*, (prop.) Ascension Day, (pop.) Thursday in *H~ Week*; *H~ Saturday* (in *H~ Week*); ~ *water*, water dedicated to ~ uses, or blessed by a priest; *H~ Week* (before Easter Sunday); *H~ Writ*, ~ writings collectively, esp. the Bible. [OE *hālig* (*hāli* whole, see -Y²), cf. Du. & G *heilig*]

hōl'ystone, n., & v.t. (Scour with) soft sandstone used for scouring decks. [?]

hōm, n. Sacred plant of ancient Persians & Parsees; its juice. [Pers.]

hōm'age, n. (Feud.) formal public acknowledgement of allegiance; acknowledgement of superiority, dutiful reverence, as *pay, do*, ~ to (person, his qualities). [f. OF *ommage* f. LL *hominaticum* (*homo* -*minis* man, see -AGE)]

Hōm'būrg, n. (Used for) soft felt hat with narrow brim and dent in top of crown, trilby. [~ in Prussia, where first worn]

hōme¹, n., a., & adv. 1. Dwelling-place; fixed residence of family or household; native land; *long or last* ~, the grave; place where thing is native or most common; institution of refuge or rest for destitute or infirm persons; (in games) goal; *at* ~, in one's own house or native land, at one's ease, familiar *with or on or in* (subject etc.), accessible to callers (esp. *not at* ~), (n.) see **AT-HOME**. 2. adj. Of, connected with; ~; carried on at ~; ~ *proceeding from* ~; ~ *in the neighbourhood*

of ~; || *H~ Counties*, those nearest to London (Middlesex, Surrey, Kent, Essex, & occas. Hertford & Sussex); carried on, produced, in one's own country, as ~ *industries, products*; the ~ *trade or market* (inland); opp. *foreign*; treating of domestic affairs; || *H~ Office*, department of Secretary of State for H~ Affairs, building used for this; that comes ~ to one, as ~ *question, truth, thrust*. 3. adv. To one's ~ or country, as *come, go, ~*; arrived at ~, as *he is ~*; to the point aimed at, as *the thrust went ~*; as far as possible, as *drive a nail ~*; *bring charge ~ to person*, convict him of it; *come ~ to*, affect intimately; *nothing to write ~ about* (colloq.), unexciting, trivial. 4. ~ *born*, native; ~ *bred*, bred at ~; ~ *brewed* a. & n., (beer etc.) brewed at ~; ~ *coming*, arrival at home; ~ *felt*, felt intimately; || *H~ Guard*, (member of) British citizen army formed in 1940 (orig. called *Local Defence Volunteers*); ~ *keeping* a., stay-at-home; ~ *made*, made at ~ or for ~ consumption; *H~ Rule*, government of a country (|| esp. Ireland) by its own citizens; ~ *sick(ness)*, depressed, depression, as result of absence from ~. Hence ~ *LESS*, ~ *LIKE*, aa., (-ml-). [com.-Teut.: OE *hām*, Du. *heem*, G *heim*; (adv.) accus. case of this]

home², v.i. & t. Go home (esp. of pigeons); send or guide homewards; furnish (person etc.) with a home. [f. prec.]

home³ |l|j (-ml-), a. Simple, plain; primitive; unpretending; (of persons or features) uncomely, plain. Hence ~ *NESS* n. [-LY¹]

homeo-. See **homoeo-**.

hōm'er, n. Homing pigeon. [-ER¹]

Hōm'ric, a. Of, in the style of, Homer or the poems ascribed to him; ~ *laughter* (like that of Homer's gods as they watched lame Hephaestus hobbling). [f. L f. Gk *homērikos* (*Homēros*, traditional author of *Iliad* & *Odyssey*, see -ic)]

hōme'spūn (-ms-), a. & n. (Cloth made of yarn spun at home; (anything) plain, homely.

hōme'stead (-mstəd), n. House with out-buildings; farm. [OE *hāmstede* (HOME, STEAD)]

hōme'ward (-mw-), adv. & a., -wards (-z), adv. (Going, leading) towards home; ~ *BOUND*¹, (esp. of ship) preparing to go, or on the way, home. [-WARD(8)]

hōm'icide, n. 1. One who kills a human being. 2. Killing of a human being. Hence **hōm'icid'AL** a. [F, f. L (1) *homicida*, (2) *homicidium* (homo man, see -cide)] **hōmilēt'ic**, a. & n. Of homilies; (n. pl.) art of preaching. [f. Gk *homilētikos* (*homilēō* hold converse, consort, as foll.; see -ETIC)]

hōm'l|j, n. Sermon (*Books of H~ies*, for use in parish churches of the Ch. of England, published in 1547 & 1553); tedious

moralizing discourse. [f. *F. omelette* f. ecol. L f. Gk *homilia* f. *homilos* crowd (*homou* together + *illē* crowd)]

hōm'ing, a. That goes home; (of pigeons) trained to fly home. [part. of HOME²]

hōm'in'y, n. Coarsely ground maize boiled with water or milk. [of Amer.-Ind. orig.]

hōm'ō, n. (zool.). Man; *H~ shp'iēns* (L = wise), modern man regarded as a species. [L]

hōm'o- in comb. = Gk *homos* same, as: ~ *cen'tric*, having same centre; ~ *gamous* (-ōg²), (Bot.) having all florets hermaphrodite or of same sex; ~ *genēt'ic*, having common descent or origin; ~ *geny* (-ōj¹), similarity due to common descent; ~ *morph'ic*, ~ *morph'ous*, of same or similar form; ~ *nomous* (-ōn²), having same law of growth; ~ *phone*, word having same sound as another, but of different meaning or origin (e.g. *gail, gate*), (also) symbol denoting same sound as another; ~ *phōn'ic*, (Mus.) of same pitch, in unison; ~ *phonous* (-ōf²), (of music) in unison, (of symbols) denoting same sound; ~ *phony* (-ōf²), unison; ~ *plās'tic*, similar in structure; ~ *type*, part, organ, like another in structure; ~ *zyg'ōte* (Mendelism), zygote of like gametes (cf. **HETEROZYGOTE**), & so ~ *zyg'ous* a.

hōm'oepāth (-mī-), n. One who practises homoeopathy. [f. foll.]

hōmoelōp'athy (-mī-), n. Hahnemann's treatment of disease by drugs (usu. in minute doses) that in healthy person would produce symptoms like those of the disease. So ~ *opāth'ic* a. (often joc., = minute), ~ *opāth'ically* adv., ~ *ōp'ath-ist* n., (-mī-). [f. Gk *homoiōs* like + *-patheia* f. *pathos* suffering; first used by Hahnemann (G *homöopathie*)]

hōmogē'neous, a. Of the same kind; consisting of parts all of the same kind, uniform. Hence or cogn. **hōmogēn'ērry**, ~ *NESS*, nn., ~ *LY*² adv. [f. schol. L *homogeneus* f. Gk *homō(genēs* f. *genos* kind) + -ous]

hōm'ograph (-ahf), n. Word spelt like another, but with different meaning. [HOMO + -GRAPH]

hōmoious'ian (-ows-), a. & n. (One who held that Father & Son in the Godhead were) of like substance (cf. **HOMOIOUSIAN**). [f. Gk *homoiousios* (*homoiōs* like + *ousia* essence) + -AN]

|| **hōmōlōg'ize**, v.t. (Sc.). Acknowledge, admit; confirm. So ~ *ATION* n. [f. med. L *homologare* f. Gk *homō(logēō* f. *logos* word), see -ATE²]

hōmōl'ogize, v.i. & t. Be homologous, correspond; make homologous. [as foll. + -IZE]

hōmōl'ogous, a. Having the same relation, relative position, etc.; corresponding. [f. med. L f. Gk *homō(logos* ratio)]

hōm'ologue (-ōg), n. Homologous thing. [F, f. Gk (neut. adj.) as prec.]

homól'ogý, n. Correspondence, sameness of relation. Hence **hómolo'gical a.**, **hómolo'gically adv.** [f. LL f. Gk *homologia* (as prec.)]

hóm'oným, n. Word of same form as another but different sense (e.g. **POLE¹**, **POLE²**); namesake. So **hómóným'ic**, **homón'ymous, aa.** [f. LL f. Gk *homónumon*, neut. adj. (HOMO- + *onoma* name)]
hómóus'ian, hómous-, (-ow-), a. & n. (One who hold the persons of the Trinity to be) of the same substance (cf. **HOMOI-ousian**). [f. med. L f. Gk *hom(ousios) f. ousia* essence] + -AN]

hómosex'ual, a. & n. Having a sexual propensity for persons of one's own sex; (n.) ~ person. [irreg. f. HOMO- + **SEXUAL**]

homínc'úle, -cle, n. Little man, manikin. [f. L *homunculus* (*homo* - *minis* man, see **CULE**)]

hóm'y, a. Suggesting home, home-like. [-Y¹]

hóne, n., & v.t. 1. Whetstone, esp. for razors; various stones as material for this. 2. v.t. Sharpen on ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *hán*, cf. ON *heinn*, Da. *heen*]

hón'est (ò-), a. Fair & upright in speech & act, not lying, cheating, or stealing; sincere; (of act or feeling) showing uprightness; (of gain etc.) gained by fair means, as *turn*, *earn*, *an ~ penny*; (of things) unadulterated, unsophisticated; (arch., of woman) chaste, virtuous; *make an ~ woman of*, marry (seduced woman); (patronizing or joc.) good, worthy; ~ *Injun* (= Indian), sl. phr. questioning (~ *Injun*?) or confirming statement. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *honeste* f. L *honestus* honourable, handsome (*honor* HONOUR)]

hón'estý (ò-), n. Uprightness; truthfulness; ~ *is the best policy* (maxim of self-interested morality); plant with purple flowers & semi-transparent pods. [f. OF *oneste* f. L *honestalem* (prec., -TY)]

ho'ney (hü-), n. (pl. ~s). Sweet viscid yellow fluid, the nectar of flowers collected by bees & other insects; (fig.) sweetness; (also Sc. & North. *hinnie, -ny*) sweetheart, darling; ~-bee, common hive-bee; ~-buzzard, bird of prey feeding on larvae of bees & wasps; ~-dew, sweet sticky substance found on leaves & stems, held to be excreted by aphides, ideally sweet substance, tobacco sweetened with molasses; ~-suckle, woodbine, climbing shrub with fragrant yellow flowers; ~-sweet, sweet as ~. Hence ~FD², **honied, (hün'id), a.** [OE *hunig*, cf. Du., G. *honig*]

ho'neycômb (hü-; -m), n., & v.t. 1. Bees' wax structure of hexagonal cells for honey & eggs; cavernous flaw in metal, esp. guns; ornamental or other work hexagonally arranged. 2. v.t. Fill with cavities, undermine, mark with ~ pattern. [(vb f. n.) OE *hunicamb*, see prec. & **COMB**]

ho'neymôon (hü-), n., & v.i. 1. Holiday spent together by newly married couple. 2. v.i. Spend ~ (*in, at, place*). [(vb f. n.) HONEY + MOON, reference being orig. to waning affection, not to period of a month]

hông, n. (In China) set of buildings used as factory etc.; foreign trading establishment in China or Japan. [f. Chin. *hang* row, rank]

hônk, n., & v.i. 1. Wild goose's cry; sound of motor horn. 2. v.i. Emit or give ~. [imit.]

honorār'ium (hò-, ò-), n. (pl. -ums, -a). (Voluntary) fee esp. for professional services. [LL as foll.]

hôn'orârý (ò-), a. Conferred as an honour (without the usual requirements, functions, etc.); holding ~ title or position; ~ *secretary, treasurer*, etc., serving without pay (abbr. *hon.*); (of obligations) depending on honour, not legally enforceable. [f. L *honorarius* (as HONOUR¹, see -ARY¹)]

honoríf'ic (ò-), a. & n. (Expression) implying respect (esp. of Oriental forms of speech). [f. L *honorificus* (as HONOUR¹, see -FIC)]

hônôr'is caus'a, adv. phr. As a mark of honour. [L, = for the sake of honour]

hôn'our¹ (ò-), n. 1. High respect; glory; reputation, good name; nobleness of mind. 2. Allegiance to what is right or to conventional standard of conduct; (of woman) chastity, reputation for this. 3. Exalted position (*your, his, H-*, said to or of County-Court judge, & in rustic speech to or of any person of rank). 4. Thing conferred as distinction; (Golf) right of driving off first as having won last hole (*it is my ~*); (pl.) civilities rendered to guests etc., esp. *do the ~s of* (the table, a house, the town, etc.); *last, funeral, ~s*, observances of respect at funeral; *military ~s*, marks of respect paid by troops at burial of soldier, to royalty, etc.; ~s of war, privileges granted to capitulating force, as that of marching out with colours flying etc. 5. (Univ., pl.) special distinction for proficiency beyond that required to pass examination. 6. Person, thing, that reflects ~ on (to) another, *as he is an ~ to his profession*. 7. (In Whist) ace, king, queen, knave, of trumps (in Bridge the ten also). 8. (Commerc.) acceptance (of protested bill by third party) for the ~ of (to save the credit of drawer or indorser. 9. In ~ (celebration) of; bound in ~ (as a moral duty) to (do); be on one's ~ (under moral obligation) to (do); (forms of asseveration) upon my ~, (colloq.) ~ bright; code, law, of ~, rules forming conventional standard of conduct; AFFAIR, DEBT, LEGION, MAID, POINT¹, WORD¹, of ~. [f. OF *onor* f. L *honorem* (nom. -or) repute, office, beauty]

hōn'our¹ (ō-), v.t. Respect highly; confer dignity upon; (Commerc.) accept, pay, (bill) when due. [f. OF *honorer* f. L *honorare* (as prec.)]

hōn'ourable (ōuer-), a. Worthy of honour; bringing honour to its possessor; consistent with honour; upright; person's intentions (in courting woman) are ~, he has marriage in view; title (abbr. *Hon.*) || of younger sons of Earls and of children of peers below rank of Marquis, Maids of Honour, Justices of High Court, Lords of Session, members of Government or Executive Councils in Dominions & Colonies; || *Most H~*, title of Marquises, Order of Bath, & Privy Council; || *Right H~*, title of peers below rank of Marquis, Privy Counsellors, & others. Hence **hōn'ourably**² (ōuer-) adv. [f. OF *honorable* f. L *honorabilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

***hōoch**, n. (sl.). Alcoholic liquor. [abbr. of *hoochino* an Amer.-Ind. name for spirit]

hood, n., & v.t. 1. Covering for head & neck, whether part of cloak etc. or separate; (Univv.) badge worn over gown etc. to indicate degree; leather covering for hawk's head; thing like ~ in shape or use. 2. v.t. Cover with ~. Hence ~'ED¹ a. [(vb f. n.) OE *hōd*, cf. Du. *hoed*, G *hut* hut]

-hood. See -HEAD.

hood'ie, -dȳ, n. (Also ~ *crow*) Hooded or Royston Crow. [HOOD + -Y³]

***hood'lum**, n. Street rowdy, young ruffian. [?]

|| **hood'man-blind**, n. Old name for BLIND-MAN'S-BUFF.

hōō'dōō, n., & v.t. (chiefly U.S.). Bad luck; (vb) render unlucky. [var. of *voodoō*]

hood'wink, v.t. Deceive, humbug; blindfold. [HOOD n. + WINK v.]

***hōō'ey**, n. & int. (sl.). Nonsense, humbug. [?]

hōōf, n. (pl. -fs, -ves), & v.t. & i. 1. Horny casing of foot of horse & other animals; CLOVEN ~; (Joc.) human foot; ~-pad, pad to prevent one foot from striking the other; ~-pick (for removing stones from ~). 2. v.t. Strike with ~; (sl., of person) kick (another) out etc.; (v.i.) go on foot. Hence (-)~ED² (-ft) a. [(vb f. n.) com.-Teut.: OE *hōf*, Du. *hoef*, G *huf*]

hōōk¹, n. Piece of metal or other material bent back or having sharp angle, for catching hold or for hanging things upon; (also fish~) bent piece of wire, usu. barbed, for catching fish; ~, *line*, & *stinker*, (fig.) entirely; (fig.) trap, snare; stroke (see foll.) in cricket or golf; (Boxing) short swinging blow with elbow bent; curved cutting instrument, esp. *reaping*~; ~ & *eye*, small metal ~ & loop as dress-fastening; sharp bend, e.g. in river; projecting point of land, esp. *H~ of Holland*; = POT ~; by ~ or by crook, by fair means or foul; *drop off the ~s*,

(sl.) die; (sl.) on one's own ~ (account); take one's ~ (sl.), = *hook it* (see foll.); ~-nose(d), (having) aquiline nose; ~-worm, kind of nematoid worm infesting men and animals, male of which has ~-like spines. [OE *hōc*, cf. Du. *hoek* corner, point of land]

hōōk², v.t. & i. Grasp with hook; secure with hook(s); ~ *on*, *in*, *up*, etc., attach with hook; ~ *on* intr., take person's arm; steal; catch (fish) with hook (also fig., esp. husband); (Golf) drive (ball) widely to left; (Cricket) play (ball) round from off to on side without hitting it at the pitch; (Rugby football) secure and pass (ball) backward with foot in scrummage; (Boxing) strike (opponent) with elbow bent; ~ *it* (sl.), make off, run away; ~-up (orig. U.S.), interconnection of broadcasting stations for special transmissions. [f. prec.]

hōōk'ah (-ka), n. Smoking-pipe with long flexible tube, smoke being drawn through water in vase to which tube and bowl are attached. [f. Arab. *huqqah*, casket, hookah-bottle]

hōōked (-kt), a. Hook-shaped; furnished with hook(s). [-ED^{1,2}]

hōōk'er¹, n. In vbl senses, esp. (Rugby football) each of the two players in front row of scrummage who try to get the ball by hooking it. [-ER¹]

hōōk'er², n. Kinds of small Dutch & Irish sailing ship (*the old* ~, said scornfully or fondly of any ship). [prob. f. Du. *hoeker* (*hoek* hook)]

hōōk'ey, -kȳ, n. *Play ~ (sl.), play truant; *blind* ~, gambling game at cards. [f. HOOK^{1,2}]

hōō'lee, hō'li (-lō), n. Hindu festival in honour of Krishna & the milkmaids. [Hind. (-i)]

|| **hōō'igan**, n. One of gang of young street roughs. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [name]

hōōp¹, n., & v.t. 1. Circular band of metal, wood, etc., esp. for binding staves of casks etc.; wooden or iron circle trundled along by child; circle of elastic material for expanding woman's skirt; iron arch used in croquet; large ring with paper stretched over it through which circus-riders jump (*go through the ~* or ~s, undergo an ordeal); kind of finger-ring; ~iron (in long thin strips for binding purposes); ~ *petticoat* (expanded by ~s). 2. v.t. Bind with ~s, surround as ~ does. [(vb f. n.) OE *hōp*, cf. Du. *hoep*]

hōōp², v.i., & n. 1. Utter the cry ~: ~ing-cough, contagious disease, esp. of children, with short violent cough followed by long sonorous inspiration. 2. n. The cry ~, sound heard in ~ing-cough. [(n. f. vb) f. F *houper* (*hoop*, imit.); *whoop* is late spelling]

hōōp'la (-ah), n. Game played at fairs etc., in which rings are thrown at objects that are won if encircled. [HOOP¹ + *la* (int.)]

hōp'oe (-ō), n. S.-European bird with variegated plumage & large erectile crest. [earlier *hoop* f. *F huppe* tuft, crest, bird, f. pop. L *ūpūpa*=L *ūpūpa* hoopoe]

hōsh, n. (sl.). Hotchpotch or stew in Arctic travel. [?]

hōt, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make loud sounds, esp. of disapproval (at or abs.); assail (person etc.) with derisive shouts; drive (person) out, away, etc. by ~ing; (of owl) utter cry; (of steam whistle or motor car or driver) sound (intr.). 2. n. Inarticulate shout, esp. of derision or disapprobation; owl's cry; *not care, not worth, a ~ or two* ~s (sl., = anything at all). [(n. f. vb) ME *huten*, perh. imit.]

|| **hōt(s)**, int. (Sc. & north.) expr. dissatisfaction or impatience. [cf. Sw. *hut* begone, W *hut* away, Ir. *ut* out, all in similar sense]

hōt'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. siren, steam whistle, esp. as signal for work to begin or cease. [-ER¹]

hōve, n. Disease of cattle, with inflation of stomach, usu. caused by green fodder. [f. OE *hof*, a stem of HEAVE]

Hōv'er, n., & v.t. Make of vacuum cleaner; (v.t.) clean (carpet etc.) with ~. [P]

hōp¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Climbing perennial plant, cultivated for the cones borne by the female; (pl.) ripe cones of this, used for giving bitter flavour to malt liquor etc.; ~*bind*, ~*vine*, climbing stem of ~; ~*fly*, aphid destructive to ~s; || ~*garden*, field for cultivation of ~s; ~*picker*, labourer, machine, employed to pick ~s; ~*pillow* (stuffed with ~s, to produce sleep); ~*POCKET*; ~*pole* (on which ~ plant is trained). 2. v.t. Flavour with ~s; (v.i.) bear, gather, ~s. [(vb f. n.) earlier *hoppe*, MDu., etym. dub.]

hōp², v.i. & t. (-pp-). Spring (of person) on one foot, (of animals) with all feet at once; (trans.) ~ over (ditch etc.); (sl.) ~ (the *twig* or *stick*), depart suddenly, die, ~ (it), go away, ~ off, (of aircraft) start; *cloud~ping*, (of aircraft) flying from cloud to cloud esp. to gain cover; *hedge, wave, ~ping*, flying very low over land, over water; || ~*co~my-thumb*, dwarf, pygmy; ~*scotch*, child's game of ~ping on one foot & with it pushing flat stone etc., over *scotches* (lines) marked on ground. [OE *hopptan*, cf. Sw. *hoppe*, Da. *hoppe*, G *hopfen*]

hōp³, n. Hopping (on the ~, colloq., bustling about); spring; (colloq.) dance; (Aviation) one of the stages of a long-distance flight; ~, *skip* (or *step*), & *jump*, exercise consisting of these three movements in sequence. [f. prec.]

hōpe¹, n. Expectation & desire combined (of thing, of doing, that); feeling of trust; *ground* of ~, probability, (*hoping against ~*, clinging to a mere possibility); person,

thing, that ~ centres in; FORLORN HOPE. [OE *hopa*, cf. Du. *hoop*, G *hoffe*]

hōpe², v.i. & t. Look with expectation & desire (for thing or abs.); expect & desire (thing, that, to do.) [OE *hopian*, cf. Du. *hopen*]

hōpe'ful (-pf-), a. & n. Feeling hope; inspiring hope, promising, often iron. as (n.) *young ~* (of boy or girl). Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [HOPE¹ + -FUL]

hōpe'less (-pl-), a. Feeling no hope; admitting no hope, as a ~ case. Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

hōp'lite, n. Heavy-armed foot-soldier of ancient Greece. [f. Gk *hoplites* (*hoplon* weapon, see -ITE¹)]

hōpp'er¹, n. One who hops; hopping insect, esp. flea or cheese-maggot; inverted pyramid or cone (orig. with hopping motion) through which grain passes in mill; similar contrivance in various machines; barge carrying away mud etc. from dredging-machine & discharging it; ~*light* or ~*casement* (hinged below with opening at top for ventilation). [HOP² + -ER¹]

hōpp'er², n. Hop-picker. [HOP¹ + -ER¹]

hōp'ple, v.t., & n. Fasten together legs of (horse etc.); (n.) apparatus for this. [(n. f. vb) etym. dub.; earlier than *hobble* in this sense]

hōr'ary, a. Of the hours; occurring every hour. [f. med. L *horarius* (*hora* hour, see -ARY²)]

Horā'tian (-shn), a. Of, like, (the poems of) Horace (Q. Horatius Flaccus, d. B.C. 8). [f. L *Horatius* (*Horatius*, see -AN)]

hōrde, n. Troop of Tartar or other nomads; gang, troop, (usu. in contempt). [ult. f. Turki *orda*, see URDU]

hōre'hound, hoar-, (hōr-), n. Herb with bitter aromatic juice used for coughs etc. (also *common, white, ~*); other allied herbs. [OE *hære hūne* (*hær* hoar + *hūne*, a plant)]

hōri'zon, n. Line at which earth & sky appear to meet; *apparent, sensible, visible*, ~, circle of contact with earth's surface of a cone whose vertex is at observer's eye; *celestial, rational, true*, ~, great circle of the celestial sphere, plane of which passes through centre of earth & is parallel to that of sensible ~ of a place; (fig.) limit of mental perception, experience, interest, etc. [f. OF *horizonte* f. LL *horizontem* (nom. -on) f. Gk *horisōn* (*kuklos*) bounding (circle), part. of *horizē* (*horos* boundary, -IZE)]

hōrizon'tal, a. & n. 1. Of, at, the horizon; parallel to the plane of this, at right angles to the vertical; level, flat; (of machinery etc.) having its parts working in ~ direction. 2. n. ~ line, bar, etc. Hence ~ITY (-al⁴) n., ~LY adv. [f. L as prec. + -AL]

hōr'mōne, n. (physiol.). Kinds of internal secretion that pass into the blood & stimulate organs to action. [f. Gk *hōr-*

mōn part. of *hormaō* impel, with -e to mark sound of ō]

hōrn¹, n. 1. Non-deciduous excrescence, often curved & pointed, on head of cattle, sheep, goats, & other mammals, found in pairs, single, or one in front of another; *take the BULL¹ by the ~s*; each of two deciduous branched appendages on head of deer; projection on head of other animals, as snail's tentacles, insect's antennae, crest of horned owl; *draw in one's ~s*, restrain one's ardour, draw back; substance of which ~s consist; ~*shavings* (used as manure); thing made of ~, as SHOE~; drinking-vessel, powder-flask, made of ~; GATE¹ of ~; ~ of *plenty*, = CORNUCOPIA; wind instrument (not now made of ~, but of brass), as *hunting~*, *French ~* (of trumpet class, used in orchestra), *English ~* (kind of oboe); ~-shaped projection; extremity of moon or other crescent; arm, branch, of bay, river, etc.; either alternative of a dilemma; *the H~*, Cape H~. 2. ~-bar, cross-bar of carriage; ~-beam, tree of beech kind with hard tough wood; ~-bill, bird with ~-like excrescence on bill; ~-book (hist.), paper containing alphabet, Lord's Prayer, etc., mounted on wooden tablet with handle, & protected by thin plate of ~; ~-mad (arch.), stark mad (orig. of horned beasts); ~-plate, axle-guard of railway carriage; ~-rimmed (of spectacles or their wearers); ~-stone, brittle siliceous rock; ~-work (Fortif.), outwork consisting of two demi-bastions joined by a curtain. Hence ~-FUL n., ~-LESS a. [com.-Teut.: OE & ON *horn*, Goth. *haurn*, cogn. w. L *cornu*, Gk *keras*]

hōrn², v.t. & i. Furnish with horns (esp. in p.p.); gore with the horns; adjust (frame of ship) at right angles to line of keel; ~ in, intrude, interfere. [f. prec.]

hōrn'blēnde, n. Dark-brown, black, or green mineral, a constituent of granite & many rocks, composed chiefly of silica, magnesia, & lime. [G (*horn* + *blende*)]

hōrn'er, n. Maker of horn spoons, combs, etc.; one who blows a horn. [HORN¹ + -ER¹]

hōrn'ēt, n. Large insect of wasp family, inflicting serious sting; *bring ~s' nest about one's ears*, stir up host of enemies. [OE *hyrne(u)*, cf. MDu. *hornele*, LG *hornē*, G *hornisse*]

hōrn'pipe, n. Obsolete wind instrument; (music for) lively dance, usu. of single person (esp. associated with merry-making of sailors).

hōrn'y, a. Of, like, horn; abounding in horns; hard as horn, callous, as ~y handed. Hence ~NESS n. [-Y¹]

hō'rolōge, n. Time-piece, dial, clock. So **hōrōl'ogēs** (S), **hōrōl'ogist** (S), nn. [f. OF *orloge* f. L f. Gk *horologion* (*hōra* time + *logos* -telling)]

hōrōl'ogē, n. Art of measuring time or

making clocks. So **hōrōlō'gic** (AL) aa. [f. Gk *hōra* time + -o- + -LOGY]

hōrōp'ter, n. Aggregate of points seen single in any given position of eyes. [f. Gk *horos* limit + *optēr* one who looks]

hō'roscope, n. (astrol.). Observation of sky & planets at certain moment, esp. at person's birth; scheme showing disposition of the heavens at particular moment; *cast a ~*, erect such scheme by calculating degree of ecliptic on eastern horizon at person's birth etc. So **hōrō-scōp'ic** (AL) aa., **hōrōs'copy**¹ n. [F, f. L f. Gk *hōroskopos* (*hōra* time + *skopos* observer)]

hō'rrent, a. (poet.). Bristling. [f. L *horrere* bristle, shudder at, see -ENT]

hō'rribile, a. Exciting, fit to excite, horror; hideous, shocking; (colloq.) excessive, unpleasant, as ~le noise, bore, weather. Hence ~-leness (-beln-) n., ~-LY² adv. [OF, f. L *horribilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

hō'rrid, a. Terrible, frightful; (poet., arch.) rough, bristling; (colloq.) as prec. Hence ~-LY² adv., ~-NESS n. [f. L *horridus* (as prec., see -ID¹)]

hō'rriſſy, v.t. Excite horror in; shock, scandalize. So **hōrriſ'io** a., **hōrriſic-a'tion** n. (joc.). [f. L *horrificare* (as HORRENT, see -FY)]

hōrriplā'tion, n. Goose-flesh; bristling of the skin caused by chill, fright, etc. [f. LL *horripilatio*, ult. f. L *horrere* to bristle + *pilus* hair]

hō'rrior, n. Terrified shuddering; intense dislike (of); (Med.) shuddering, as symptom of disease; *the ~s*, fit of ~ or depression, esp. as in delirium tremens; ~-struck or ~-stricken, shocked; horrifying thing; *Chamber of H~s*, place full of ~s (orig. room of criminals etc. in Tussaud's waxwork exhibition). [f. OF *orror* f. L *horrorem* (as prec., see -OR¹)]

hors (see Ap.), adv. & prep. Outside, as ~ *concours*, (of exhibit) not competing for prize; ~ *de combat* pred. a., out of fight, disabled; ~-d'œuvre (pl. usu. -s), extra dish served as relish at beginning or in interval of meal. [F wds]

hōrse¹, n. 1. Solid-hoofed quadruped with flowing mane & tail, used as beast of burden & draught, & for riding on (*you may take a ~ to the water, but you can't make him drink*, prov.); (esp.) adult male ~, stallion or gelding, (cf. MARE, COLT); (collect. sing.) cavalry; *light ~*, lightly armed mounted soldiers; SEA~. 2. Vaulting-block in gymnasium; frame (often with legs) on which something is supported, as *clothes~*; (Naut.) rope, bar, in various uses; (Mining) obstruction in vein. 3. *To ~*, (as command) mount your ~s; *fling a dead ~*; *grin through a ~ collar*, practise elementary humour; *look a gift ~ in the mouth*, find fault with a gift; *mount, ride, the high ~*, put on airs;

DARK, WILLING, ~; *put the CART before the ~;* *eat, work, like a ~* (much); *on ~back*, mounted on a ~. 4. ~ *artillery* (the light mobile type); ~ *block*, small platform of stone or wood for mounting ~; || ~ *box*, closed vehicle for taking ~ by rail or for slinging ~ into ship, (Joc.) large pew; ~ *breaker*, one who breaks in ~s; || ~ *chestnut*, large tree with conical clusters of white or pink flower, fruit of this (like edible chestnut, but of coarse bitter taste); ~ *cloth* (used to cover ~, or as part of trappings); ~ *COPPER*; ~ *flesh*, flesh of ~, esp. as food, ~s collectively; ~ *fly*, insect (of various kinds) troublesome to ~s; || *H~ Guards*, cavalry brigade of English Household troops, esp. (*Royal H.G.*) second regiment of it, (also) headquarters of such cavalry, esp. a building opposite Whitehall, (also) military authorities at head of army; ~ *hair*, hair from mane or tail of ~ (often attrib.); ~ *latitudes*, belt of calms at northern edge of N.E. trade-winds; ~ *laugh*, loud coarse laugh; ~ *leech*, large kind of leech, insatiable person, (*daughters of the ~leech*, Prov. xxx. 15); ~ *mackerel*, (kinds of) large fish of the mackerel type, cavally, scad, tunny, etc.; ~ *man*, (skilled) rider on ~back; ~ *manship*, art of riding, skill in riding, on ~back; ~ *marines*, imaginary corps of mounted marines, as type of men out of their element, (prov.) *tell that* (nonsense) *to the ~marines*; ~ *mastership*, skill in managing ~s; ~ *mushroom*, coarse but edible variety with hollow stem; ~ *opera* (sl.), western film; ~ *play*, boisterous play; ~ *pond* (for watering & washing ~, prov. as ducking-place for obnoxious persons); ~ *power*, machine by which work of ~ is made to drive other machinery, (Mech.) unit of rate of doing work, = 550 foot-pounds per second (abbr. *h.p.*); ~ *race* (between ~s with riders); ~ *radish*, plant whose pungent root is scraped or grated as condiment; ~ *sense* (colloq.), plain rough sagacity; ~ *shoe*, iron shoe for ~, thing of this shape (often attrib., as ~ *shoe table*); ~ *tail*, tail of ~ (used in Turkey as standard, or as ensign denoting rank of pasha), genus of cryptogamous plants like ~s tail; ~ *whip*, whip for ~, (v.t.) chastise (person) with this; ~ *woman*, woman who rides on ~back. Hence ~ *LESS* (-sl-) a. [com.-Teut.: OE *hors*, OHG *hros*, Du. *ros*, G *ross*]

horse, v.t. & i. Provide (person, vehicle) with horse(s); carry (person) on one's back; place (person) on man's back to be flogged; (intr.) mount, go, on horseback. [f. prec.]

hors'ly, a. Concerned with, addicted to, horses or horse-racing; affecting dress & language of groom or jockey. Hence ~ *ly* adv., ~ *ness* n. [f. *HORSE*¹ + *-Y*²]

hort'ative, a. Tending, serving, to exhort. So ~ *ORY* a. [f. L *hortativus* (*hortari* exhort, see -*IVE*)]

hort'iculture, n. Art of garden cultivation. Hence *hortic*'ul'tural a., *horti*'cul'turist n., (-cher-). [f. L *hortus* garden + *CULTURE*]

hort'us stce'us, n. Arranged collection of dried plants. [L, = dry garden]

hös'änn'a (-z-), n. Cry of ~, shout of adoration (*Matt. xxi. 9, 15*, etc.). [LL f. Gk *hösanna* f. Heb. *hosha'na* for *hoshi'ahnna* save, pray!]

hose (höz), n., & v.t. 1. (Collect. as pl.) stockings, *half*~, socks, (now chiefly shop); (w. pl. ~s) flexible tube for watering plants etc.; || ~ *tops* (Sc., pron. höt'öps), footless stockings. 2. v.t. Provide with ~, drench or water with ~. [(v.b f. n.) OE *hosa*, cf. Du. *hoses*, G *hose*]

hös'ier (-zher), n. Dealer in hose & frame-knitted or woven underclothing. Hence *hös*'iery(1) (-zher-) n. [f. *HOSE* + *-IER*]

hös'pice, n. House of rest for travellers, esp. one kept by religious order; || home for the destitute or sick. [F, f. L *hospitium* (as *HOST*³)]

hös'pitable, a. Giving, disposed to give, welcome & entertainment to strangers or guests. Hence ~ *LY*² adv. [F, f. med. L *hospitare* entertain, as prec., -ABLE]

hös'pital, n. Institution for care of the sick or wounded; charitable institution (in proper names, as *Christ's H~*, public school formerly in London); (Hist.) hospice, establishment of Knights *Hospitallers*; ~ *fever*, kind of typhus formerly prevalent in crowded ~s; *H~ Saturday*, *Sunday*, days for collecting money in streets etc. (*Saturday*), in churches (*Sunday*), for the local ~s. [OF, f. med. L *hospitale* neut. adj. place for guests (as *HOST*³, see -*AL*)]

hös'pitalism, n. (Hygienic imperfections of) the hospital system. [-ISM]

hös'pitàl'ity, n. Friendly & liberal reception of guests or strangers; *afford me the ~ of your columns*, put my letter in. [f. OF *hospitalité* f. L *hospitalitatem* (as *HOSPITAL*, see -*TY*)]

hös'pital(ier), n. Member of charitable religious order; || (in some London hospitals) chaplain; *Knights H~s*, order of military monks founded c. 1048. [f. OF *hospitalier* f. med. L *hospitalarius* (as prec., see -*ARY*¹)]

hös'podär, n. Lord (formerly title of governors of Wallachia & Moldavia). [Roumanian, of Slav. orig.]

höst¹, n. Large number (of; person *is a ~ in himself*, can do as much as a number of ordinary persons); (arch.) army; (Bibl.) *Lord (God) of ~s* (armies), ~(s) of heaven, sun, moon, & stars, (also) angels. [OF, f. L *hostis* stranger, enemy]

höst², n. One who lodges another; land-lord of inn; *reckon without one's ~*, overlook difficulty, opposition, etc.; (Biol.) animal, plant, having parasite or

commensal. [f. OF *oste* f. L *hospitem* (nom. -pes) host, guest]
hōst², n. Bread consecrated in the Eucharist. [f. OF *oiste* f. L *hostia* victim]
hōs'tage, n. Person given to another as pledge; pledge, security; ~ to fortune, person, thing, that one may lose. Hence ~SHIP (-līsh-) n. [OF, f. L *obses* -idis hostage, see -AGE]
hōs'tel, n. (Arch.) inn; house of residence for students or other special class. [OF (as HOSPITAL)]
hōs'telry, n. (arch.). Inn. [f. OF *ostelerie* (ostelier innkeeper, f. med. L as HOSPITALIER, see -ERY)]
hōs'tess, n. Woman who entertains guests; mistress of inn. [f. OF *ostesse* (HOST², -ESS¹)]
hōs'tile, a. Of an enemy; unfriendly; opposed. Hence ~LY¹ (-lī) adv. [f. L *hostilis* (as HOST¹, see -IL)]
hōst'il'itē, n. Enmity; state of warfare; (pl.) acts of warfare; opposition (in thought etc.). [f. LL *hostilitas* (as prec., see -TY)]
hostler (ōs'ler), n. = OSTLER.
hōt¹, a. & adv. (-tē-). 1. Of a high temperature; very warm; communicating or feeling heat; producing the sensation of heat, as ~ fever, blush; (of pepper etc.) pungent, biting; ardent, passionate; angry; excited; exciting; (Hunt., of scent) strong; (fig., of news etc.) fresh, recent; || (colloq., of Treasury bills) newly issued; (of a hit, return, etc., in ball-games) difficult for opponent to deal with; (of competitor in race or other sporting event) strongly fancied to win (a ~ favourite); (of dance music) highly elaborated & florid, fast & with great emphasis on rhythm; BLOW¹ ~ & cold; ~ & ~, (of food) served as soon as cooked; give it him ~, chastise, reprimand, him severely; make it, the place, too ~ (uncomfortable, by persecution) for, to hold, him. 2. adv. Hotly, eagerly, angrily. 3. ~ air (sl.), excited or boastful talk; ~ & strong, vehemently; ~bed, bed of earth heated by fermenting manure, (fig.) place favourable to growth of (vice etc.); ~ blast (of heated air forced into furnace); ~blooded, ardent, passionate; ~brained, -headed, excitable; ~cockles (hist.), rustic game in which blindfolded person guessed who struck him; ~dog (colloq.), ~sausage sandwiched in roll of bread; ~foot, in ~haste; ~head, impetuous person; ~house, heated building with glass roof & sides for growing plants out of season or in colder climate; ~pot, mutton, beef, with potatoes etc. cooked in oven in tight-lidded pot; ~press, press of glazed boards & ~metal plates for smoothing paper or cloth, (v.t.) press (paper etc.) in this; ~short, (of iron) brittle in its ~state; ~spur, rash person (surname

of Sir H. Percy, d. 1403); ~stuff (sl.), person of high spirit, vigour, skill, or strong will or passions; ~water, (fig.) trouble, disgrace, scrape; ~well, spring of naturally ~water, reservoir in condensing steam-engine. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [com.-Teut.: OE *hit*, Du. *heet*, G *heiss*, cf. HEAT]
hōt², v.t. (colloq.; -tt-). Heat, warm up. [f. prec.]
Hōtch'kiss, n. A kind of machine-gun. [inventor's name]
hōtch'pōtch, -pōt, n. Dish of many mixed ingredients, esp. mutton broth with vegetables; (Law) blending of properties for purpose of securing equal division (esp. of property of intestate parent); mixture, medley. [f. F *hoche-pot* (hocher shake + POT); -pōtch by assim.]
hotél' (also hō-, ô-, o-), n. House for accommodation of travellers etc., (usu. large) inn. [F *hôtel*, later form of HOSTEL]
Hōtt'entōt, n. Member of S.-African race formerly occupying region near the Cape; (fig.) person of inferior intellect or culture. [Du., perh. = stammerer]
hough (hōk), n., & v.t. 1. Joint of quadruped's hind leg between true knee & fetlock. 2. v.t. Hamstring, whence ~ER¹ (hōk'er) n. ((v.b. f. n.) f. 14th c.; = OE *hōh* human heel, cogn. w. HEEL¹)
hound¹, n. Dog for chase, esp. one hunting by scent; the ~s, pack of fox-~s; MASTER of ~s; despicable man; player who follows scent in HARE & ~s; ~s-tongue, genus of plants of the borago family. Hence ~ISH¹ a. [com.-Teut.: OE & G *hund*, Du. *hond*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *kuōn kumos*, L *canis*]
hound², v.t. Chase (as) with hound; set (hound, or fig. person) at (quarry etc.); urge (person) on. [f. prec.]
hour (ēwr), n. Twenty-fourth part of day, 60 minutes; short time; the time o'clock; (pl.) fixed time for daily work etc., as office ~s are 10 to 3; at the eleventh ~, at a late stage (Matt. xx); small ~s, 1, 2, etc., a.m.; good or early, bad or late, regular, ~s, (time for getting up & going to bed); the question of the ~ (present time); in a good, evil, ~, (un)luckily; (prayers to be said at) seven stated times of day appointed for prayer; (Astron.) 15° of longitude; ~circle, meridian (24 of which are usu. marked on globe); ~glass, sand-glass running for an ~; ~hand (showing ~ on clock etc.). [f. OF *ure* f. L f. Gk *hōra* season, hour]
hourī (hoor'ī, how'r'ī), n. Nymph of Mohammedan Paradise; voluptuously beautiful woman. [F, f. Pers. *hūrī* f. Arab. *hawra* (hawira have eyes like gazelle's)]
hour'ly (owr-), a. & adv. (Occurring, done, reckoned) every hour; continual(-ly), frequent(-ly). [HOUR & -LY¹]
house¹ (hows), n. (pl. pron. -zē). 1.

Building for human habitation or (usu. w. defining prefix) occupation, as ALMS~, BAKE~, LIGHT~, SUMMER~; ~ of God, church, place of worship; inn (a drink on the ~, at innkeeper's expense); bow down in the ~ of Rimmon, sacrifice one's principles for the sake of conformity (2 Kings v. 18); ALE, COFFEE, EATING, ~; PUBLIC, TIED, ~. 2. Building for keeping animals or goods, as hen~, STORE~, WARE~. 3. (Place of abode of) religious fraternity. 4. || (Oxf. Univ.) the H~, Christ Church. 5. = (boys in) BOARDING~. 6. (Building used by) an assembly, as H~ of COMMONS, LORDS, H~s of PARLIAMENT; make a H~, secure presence of 40 members in H~ of Commons; || the H~, (colloq.) Stock Exchange, (euphem.) work~, (Pol.) H~ of Commons or Lords; CLEARING, CUSTOM, ~; || COUNTING-HOUSE. 7. (Audience in) theatre (full ~, with all seats engaged); performance in theatre etc. (second ~ starts at 9 o'clock). 8. Household, family, dynasty (the H~ of Windsor, British Royal family); mercantile firm. 9. (Astrol.) twelfth part of heavens. 10. A game of chance playable by large numbers with no apparatus but pencil & paper; (Army sl.) gambling form of lotto. 11. attrib. (Of animals) kept in, frequenting, infesting, the ~, as ~cat, ~fly, etc. 12. ~ of call, ~ where carriers call for commissions, where person may be heard of, etc.; ~ of cards (built by child out of playing-cards; often fig. of insecure scheme etc.); ~of ill fame, brothel; || H~ of Keys, branch of Manx legislature; ~ & home, (emphatic) home; ~to~, carried on from ~ to ~; BRING down the ~; keep ~, maintain, provide for, a household; keep open ~, provide general hospitality; keep the ~, not go outdoors; like a ~ on fire, vigorously, fast. 13. || ~agent (for sale & letting of ~s); ~boat, boat fitted up for living in; ~breaker, person entering another's ~ by day (cf. BURGLAR) with felonious intent, man employed in demolishing old ~s; ~dinner, (at clubs) specially appointed dinner for members & guests; ~dog (kept to guard ~); ~flag, that flown by a firm's ship; ~flannel (coarse, for cleaning floor etc.); ~keeper, woman managing affairs of household, (also) person in charge of ~, office, etc.; ~keeping, (good, bad, liberal, etc.) domestic economy; ~leek, plant with pink flowers growing on walls & roofs; ~maid, female servant in charge of reception & bed rooms; ~maid's knee, inflammation of knee-cap due to kneeling; ~master (of school boarding~); ~party (of guests staying at country ~ etc.); || ~place, living-room in farm ~ etc.; ~proud, preoccupied with the care & beautification of the home; ~room, accommodation in ~ (would not

give it ~room, take it as a gift); ~surgeon, ~physician, residing in hospital; ~top, esp. proclaim from the ~tops, publicly; ~warning, celebration of entrance into new ~; ~work, cleaning, cooking, etc. Hence ~FUI(2) (-sf-) n., ~LESS (-sl-) a. [com.-Tent.: OE *hūs*, Du. *huis*, G *haus*]

house² (-z), v.t. & l. 1. Receive (person etc.), store (goods), in house or as house does; (Naut.) place (gun etc.) in secure position, lower (upper masts); take shelter (as) in house; provide houses for (population); esp. the housing problem; (Carpentry) fix in a socket, mortise, etc. [OE *hūsan* (as prec.), cf. Du. *huizen*, G *hausen*]

household (-s-h), n. Inmates of house; domestic establishment; (pl.) second quality of flour; || ~troops (employed to guard sovereign's person); ~gods, (Rom. Ant.) Lares & Penates, (fig.) essentials of home life; ~word, familiar saying or name. [HOUSE¹ + HOLD¹]

householder (-s-h), n. One who occupies house as his own dwelling (esp. formerly as entitled to franchise); head of household. [HOUSE¹ + HOLDER]

housewife, n. 1. (hous'wif). Mistress of family; (good, bad) domestic economist. 2. (hūz'if). Case for needles, thread, etc. Hence house'wifely¹ (-fil) a. [ME *hus(e)wif* (HOUSE¹, WIFE)]

house'wifery (-swifri), n. Domestic economy, housekeeping. [prec. + -RY]

housing (-z-), n. Horse's cloth covering, for protection or ornament. [obs. *house* f. OF *huche* housing, etym. dub., + -ING¹]

Houyhnhnm (hwi'nim), n. Horse with human characteristics (*Gulliver's Travels*). [imit. of horse's neigh; made by Swift]

Hōv'a, n. One of ruling tribe in Madagascar. [native]

hove. See HEAVE.

hōv'el (or hū-), n. Open shed, out-house; mean dwelling; conical building enclosing kiln. [†]

hōv'eller (or hū-), n. Unlicensed pilot or boatman, esp. one who goes out to wrecks. [†]

hōv'er (or hū-), v.i., & n. (Of bird etc.) hang in the air (over, about, spot); loiter about (person, place); (n.) ~ing, state of suspense. [(n. f. vb) perh. f. obs. *hove*, etym. dub.]

how, adv. & n. 1. (In direct or indirect question) In what way, as ~ does he do it?, ask him ~ he does it, tell him ~ to do it, (with intensive addition) ~ the deuce, devil, dickens, ~ ever, ~ on earth; ~ are you?, ~ do you do?, what is your state of health? ~ is that for high, queer, etc.? (colloq. invitation to wonder); (colloq.) ~d'ye-do, embarrassing situation; (Crick.) ~s that?, is he out or not? ~ now?, what is the meaning of this?; ~ (can you show that to be) so?; ~ (at what price) is corn?; (in indirect statement, rhet. for

that (*told us ~ God was almighty*); (in question or exclamation) to what extent, as *~ far is it?*, *~ far it is!*, *~ many are there?*, *~ many there are!*, *~ would you like it?*, *~ he snores!*; (in relative clause) in whatever way, as, (*do it ~ you can*); **& ~!* (sl.), = & a good deal more (chiefly used ironically or intensively); *here's ~!* = here's your good health (drinking formula). 2. *n. The way a thing is done (the ~ of it)*. 3. *~bē'it* (arch.), nevertheless; *~ev'er*, in whatever way, to whatever extent, nevertheless, (arch.) in any case; *~EVER*; *~soev'er*, *how* — *soever*, in whatsoever manner, to what extent soever; *~much?*, (sl.) what? (as request to person to repeat his remark or a particular word; *he plays the saxuba. Plays the ~ much?*). [OE *hū*, cf. Du. *hoe*; f. stem of *who*]

howd'ah (-a), *n.* Seat for two or more, usu. with canopy, on elephant's back. [f. Pers. *haudāh* f. Arab. *haudaj* litter;]

howitzer, *n.* Short piece of ordnance for high-angle firing of shells at lower velocities than a gun. [earlier *howitz* f. G *haubitze* f. Boh. *houfnice* catapult]

howl¹, *v.i. & t.* (Of animals) utter long loud doleful cry; (of persons) utter long cry of pain, derision, etc.; utter (words) with ~ing. [ME *houlēn*, cf. Du. *hullen*, G *heulen*, also Gk *kulaō*, L *ululare*]

howl², *n.* Long doleful cry of dog, wolf, etc.; loud cry of pain; yell of derision; (Wireless) whining noise in receiver during tuning-in, often affecting other listeners. [f. prec.]

howl'er, *n.* In vbl senses; esp.: S.-Amer. monkey; (sl.) glaring blunder; (sl.) *come a ~*, come to grief. [-ER¹]

howl'ēt, *n.* (dial.). Owl. [prob. f. F *hulotte* (as owl)]

howling, *a.* That howls; ~ **DERVISH**; (Bibl.) ~ (dreary) wilderness; (sl.) extreme, glaring, as *a ~ shame*. [-ING²]

hoys¹, *n.* Small vessel, usu. rigged as sloop, carrying passengers & goods esp. for short distances. [prob. f. MDu. *hoet*, etym. dub.]

hoys², *int.* Used to call attention, drive beasts, & (Naut.) hail or call aloft. [natural cry]

hoys'a, *n.* Genus of climbing plants with pink, white, or yellow flowers, known as *war-flowers*. [T. *Hoy*, gardenor, d. 1821]

hoys'en, *n.* Boisterous girl. Hence ~ **BOON**, ~ **ISM**, *nn.*, ~ **ISH**¹ *a.* [?]

hūb¹, *n.* Central part of wheel, rotating on or with axle, & from which spokes radiate; nave; (fig.) central point of interest etc. (esp. ~ *of the universe*). [f.]

hūb², **hūbb'y**, *n.* (colloq.). Husband. [abbr.]

hūb'ble-būbble, *n.* Form of hookah; bubbling noise; confused talk. [imit.]

hūbb'ūb, *n.* Confused din; disturbance, riot; confused yelling of war-cry. (of fr.

orig.; cf. Gael. *ubub* int. of contempt, Ir. *abu*, a war-cry]

hūb'ris, *n.* Insolent pride or security. So **hūbris'tic** *a.* [Gk; prop. *hy-*]

hūck'abäck, *n.* Stout linen fabric with rough surface, for towels etc. [f.]

hūck'le, *n.* Hip; haunch; ~ **back(ed)**, hump-back(ed); ~ **bone**, hip, haunch, -bone, (also) knuckle-bone of quadruped. [dim. of obs. *huck* hip, etym. dub.]

hūck'leberry (-kelb-), *n.* (Fruit of low berry-bearing shrub common in N. Amer. [perh. corrupt. of *hurtleberry* WHORTLE-BERRY])

hūck'ster¹, *n.* Pedlar, hawk; mercenary person. Hence ~ **ERY**(2) *n.* [earlier than obs. *huck* v. higgie; see -**STER**]

hūck'ster², *v.i. & t.* Bargain, haggle; carry on petty traffic in (lit. & fig.); adulterate. Hence ~ **ER**¹, ~ **ESS**¹, *nn.* [f. prec.]

hūd'dle, *v.t. & i., & n.* 1. Heap together confusedly; crowd (things etc.) promiscuously together, *up, into, out of*, etc.; coil oneself *up*; hurry over, through, botch *up*, (work etc.); (intr.) nestle closely together. 2. *n.* Confused mass; confusion, bustle; * (secret) conference, esp. *go into a ~ (with)* (sl.). [(n. f. vb) perh. f. Teut. root *hud-* cover + -**LE**(3)]

Hūdibrās'tic, *a.* In the metre or manner of Butler's *Hudibras*, mock-heroic poem 1663-78. [after *fantastic* etc.]

hūe¹, *n.* Colour, tint; variety of colour caused by admixture of another. Hence **-hued**² (hūd) *a.* [OE *hwe*, cf. Goth. *hwei* form, appearance, also Skr. *chavi* hide, skin, beauty]

hūe², *n.* ~ & **cry**: clamour of pursuit or assault; outcry (*against*); proclamation for capture of criminal; (formerly) police gazette with particulars of offenders wanted etc. [f. OF *hu*, *hū*, outcry, f. *huer* shout, imit.]

hūff¹, *v.t. & i.* Bully, storm at; bully (person *into, out of, thing or doing*); offend; take offence; (Draughts) remove (opponent's man) from board as forfeit (orig. after blowing on the piece). [imit. f. sound of blowing; v. & n. f. 16th c.]

hūff², *n.* Fit of petulance, esp. *in a ~, take ~*; (Draughts) act of huffing. Hence ~ **ISH**¹, ~ **'Y**, *aa.*, ~ **ILY**², ~ **'ISHLY**², *adv.*, ~ **INNESS**, ~ **'ISHNESS**, *nn.* [see prec.]

hūg, *v.t. (-gg-), & n.* 1. Squeeze tightly in one's arms, usu. with affection; (of bear) squeeze (man etc.) between its forelegs; delight in, cling to, (prejudices etc.); exhibit fondness for (person); congratulate oneself (*on, for*); keep close to (shore etc.); ~ **me-tight**, woollen wrap. 2. *n.* Strong clasp; grip in wrestling, esp. *Cornish ~*, [f.]

hūge, *a.* Very large; enormous; (of immaterial things) great. Hence ~ **NESS** (-jn-) *a.* [prob. f. OF *ahuge*, etym. dub.]

hūge'ly (-jli), *adv.* Enormously, very much. [prec. + -**LY**¹]

hunks, n. Close-fisted man, miser. [f] ***hünký-dör'ý**, a. (sl.). Excellent, top-hole. [f. U.S. *hunky*, f. *hunk* a., right] **Hunnish**. See **HUN**.

hünt', v.i. & t. Pursue wild animals or game; (trans.) chase (these) for food or sport; seek *after, for*; drive *away, out*; scour (district) in pursuit of game; use (horse, hounds) in ~ing; ~ *down*, bring to bay; ~ *out*, track out, find by search; ~ *up*, search for; ~ *in couples*; ~ *the hare, slipper, squirrel*, games. [OE *hūntian* f. *hūnta* hunter, cogn. w. Goth. *hūnþan* seize]

hünt', n. Hunting (lit. & fig.); persons hunting with a pack; hunting district; ~ *ball* (given by members of ~, men wearing pink). [f. prec.]

hūn'ter, n. One who hunts; (fig.) *fortune, place*, etc., ~; horse for hunting; watch with hinged cover protecting glass or (*half*~) outer part of it; ~'s *moon*, full moon after harvest moon. Hence **hūn'tress'** n. [-ER']

hūn'ting, n. In vbl senses; ~-*box*, small house for use during ~-season; ~-*oog'*; ~-*crop*; ~-*ground*, place where one hunts (often fig.); *happy* ~-*ground(s)*, the future state (prop. as expected by Amer. Indians), good place for ~ (fig.); ~-*horn*, horn used in ~, second pommel on near side of side-saddle. [-ING']

hūnts'man, n. Hunter; man in charge of (esp. fox-) hounds.

hūr'dle, n., & v.t. Portable rectangular frame strengthened with withes or wooden bars, for temporary fence etc.; wooden frame to be jumped over in ~-*race*; (hist.) frame on which traitors were dragged to execution; (v.t.) fence off etc. with ~s. [(vb f. n.) OE *hyrde*; cf. Du. *horde*, G *hürde*, also L *cratis* hurdle, Gk *kurtia* wickerwork]

hūrd'ler, n. One who makes hurdles, or runs in hurdle-races. [-ER']

hūrd'y-gūrd'y, n. Musical instrument with droning sound, played by turning handle, orig. one with rosined wheel turned by right hand & played by left; (colloq.) barrel organ & street piano. [prob. imit.]

hūrt, v.t., & n. 1. Throw violently from some position (lit. & fig.); throw (missile etc., also fig.); || (Sc.) convey in a wheeled vehicle. 2. n. ~ing, violent throw; || (Sc.) a ride in a wheeled vehicle. [cf. LG *hurrein*; prob. imit.]

hūrt'ey, n. (Ir.). Hockey; hockey-stick. [as prec.]

Hūrt'ingham (-ngam), n. (Used for) ~ Park, Fulham, headquarters of ~ Polo Club.

hūrt'ý, n. (arch.). Commotion. [as **HURL**]

hūrt'ý-būrt'ý, n. Commotion, tumult. [f. 1540; redupl. f. **HURT** v.]

hūrrak' (hū-, hō-, -ray, int., n., & v.i. Int. expr. exultation or approbation;

(n.) this cry; (v.i.) shout ~. [replaces *husza*; cf. Swed. & Da. *hurra*, Du. *hoera*]

hū'rricane, n. Storm with violent wind with velocity of 75 miles an hour or over, esp. W.-Indian cyclone (also fig.); ~-*bird*, frigate-bird; ~ *deck*, light upper deck; ~ *lamp* (designed to resist wind). [f. Sp. *huracan*, of Carib orig.]

hū'rry', n. Undue haste; eagerness to get a thing done quickly; eagerness (to do, for thing); (w. neg. or interrog.) need for haste; (colloq.) *you will not beat that in a ~* (easily), *shall not ask again in a ~* (willingly); ~-*scurry* adv., adj., & n., (in disorderly haste, (v.i.) proceed thus. [f. 16th c.; imit., cf. **HURL**]

hū'rry', v.t. & i. Carry, drive, (person etc. *away, along, into, into doing*, etc.) with undue haste; move, act, with great or undue haste; ~ *y up*, make haste. Hence ~iedly² adv., ~iedness n., (-id-). [as prec.]

hūrt, n. Hillock; sandbank in sea or river; wooded eminence; wood. [OE *hyrst*, cf. G dial. *horst* sandbank, MDu. *horst* thicket]

hūrt', n. Wound, material injury; harm, wrong. Hence ~ful, ~less, aa., ~ful-ly² adv., ~fulness n. [prob. f. OF *hurte*, as foll.]

hūrt', v.t. & i. (*hurt*). Cause bodily injury or pain to; damage; inflict injury upon; distress, wound, (person, his feelings etc.); (colloq.) suffer injury or pain. [prob. f. OF *hurter* (mod. *heurter*) knock, etym. dub.]

hūrtle, v.t. & i., & n. (arch.). Strike against; hurl swiftly; strike *against*; move with clattering sound; come with a crash; (n.) hurtling, clashing sound. [(n. f. vb) prob. f. **HURT** + -LE3]

hūs'band' (-z-), n. Man joined to woman by marriage; ~'s *tea*, weak & cold; || (arch.) *good, bad*, ~ (economist). Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~LIKE a. [OE *hūs-bonda* master of house (*hūs* house + *bōnda* f. ON *bōndi* freeholder f. *būa* dwell)]

hūs'band' (-z-), v.t. Manage thriftily, economize; || (arch.) till (ground), cultivate (plants); (poet., joc.) provide with husband; (rare) marry (woman). [f. prec.]

hūs'bandman (-z-), n. Farmer. **hūs'bandrý** (-z-), n. Farming; (*good, bad*) economy; careful management. [-RY]

hūsh', n. Stillness; silence; ~-*money*, paid to prevent exposure. [f. foll.]

hūsh', v.t. & i. Silence, quiet; ~ *up*, suppress (affair); be silent, esp. (as int.) ~; ~-*aby*, int. used to lull child; ~-*adj*. phr., to be kept specially secret; ~-*ship* (of great length, speed, & gun-power, secretly built; cf. *q-ship*). [back formation f. obs. adj. *hushi* f. *hushi*, *hust*, int. (imit.)]

hūsk, n., & v.t. 1. Dry outer covering of some fruits or seeds; (fig.) worthless

outside part of anything; disease of cattle. 2. v.t. Remove ~ from. [late ME *huske*, etym. dub.]

hús'kij', a. & n. Of, full of, husks; dry as a husk; (of voice or person) dry, hoarse, whence ~ILY¹ adv., ~INESS n.; (colloq.) tough, strong, hefty (& as n., ~y person). [-Y²]

hús'ky', n. Eskimo dog; (H~) Eskimo person or language. [prob. = ESKIMO]

|| **hussár'** (-z), n. Soldier of light cavalry regiment (orig. Hungarian light horseman of 15th c.). [f. Hung. *huszar* f. OSerb. *husar* f. It. *corsaro* COSSAIR]

Hüss'ite, n. Follower of John Huss, Bohemian religious reformer of 15th c. [-ITE¹]

hüss'y, -zz'y, n. Woman of light or worthless character; pert girl. [f. HOUSEWIFE]

hús'tings (-z), n. Platform from which (before 1872) candidates for Parliament were nominated; election proceedings; court (now rarely) held in Guildhall of London. [OE *hústing* f. ON *hústhing* house-assembly]

hú'stíle (-s), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Push roughly, jostle; thrust (person etc. *into*, *out of*, etc.); impel unceremoniously (*into* thing or doing); (v.i.) push roughly *against*; push one's way; hurry, bustle. 2. n. ~ing. [n. f. vb] f. Du. *husselen* shake, toss]

hút, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. Small mean house of rude construction; (Mil.) temporary wooden house for troops; ~circle (Archaeol.), ring of stones or earth indicating site of prehistoric ~. 2. v.t. Place (troops etc.) in ~s; (v.i.) lodge in ~. Hence ~MENT n., ~ encampment. [vb f. F *hutter* f. F *hutte* f. G *Hütte*]

hú'tch, n. Box-like pen for rabbits etc.; hut, cabin, small house; truck used in mining etc. [ME & F *huche* f. med. L *hutica*, etym. dub.]

huzoor', n. Title of respect used by Indians in addressing superiors. [Arab. *ḥaḏīr* the presence]

huzza' (-ah), int., n., & v.i. & t. Int. of exultation, encouragement, or applause; (make, greet with) the cry ~. [imit.]

hý'acínth, n. Genus of bulbous plants with bell-shaped flowers of various colours, esp. purplish blue, so (esp. as Homeric epithet of doubtful sense for *locks*, *hair*) ~INE² (-in⁴) a.; this colour; precious stone, orange variety of zircon. [earlier *jacynth*, ult. f. L f. Gk *huakinthos*, flower & gem, also name of youth loved by Apollo]

Hý'ades (-z), n. pl. Group of stars near Pleiades. [f. Gk *Huades* (acc. to pop. etym., f. *huo* rain, but perh. f. *hus* swine)]

hyaena. See HYENA.

hý'alline, a. & n. Glass-like, vitreous (chiefly techn.); (n., poet.) smooth sea, clear sky, etc. [f. L f. Gk *huaknos* (*hualos* glass, see -INE²)]

hý'alite, n. Colourless variety of opal. [f. Gk *hualos* glass, see -ITE]

hý'aloid, a. & n. (anat.). Glassy; ~ (*membrane*), thin transparent membrane enveloping vitreous humour of eye. [f. F *hyaloide* f. L f. Gk *hualocoides* (as prec., see -OID)]

hýb'rid, n. & a. 1. Offspring of two animals or plants of different species or varieties; person of mixed nationality; (fig.) thing, word, composed of incongruous elements. 2. adj. Crossbred, mongrel; heterogeneous; || ~ *bill* in Parliament, one combining characteristics of public & private bill, & referred to a ~ *committee*. Hence ~ITY (-id²) n. [f. L *hybrida* offspring of tame sow & wild boar; etym. dub.]

hýb'ridism, n. Fact, condition, of being hybrid; cross-breeding. [prec. + -ISM]

hýb'ridiz(e, v.t. & i. Subject (species etc.) to cross-breeding; produce hybrids; (of animal or plant) interbreed. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ATION n. [HYBRID + -IZE]

hýd'atid, n. (path.). Cyst containing watery fluid, morbid formation (esp. one formed by, & containing, a tape-worm larva). [f. Gk *hudatis* -idos watery vesicle (*hudōr* -atos water, -ID²)]

Hýde Park, n. A London park, a fashionable resort, & of late years the scene of many political and other demonstrations.

hýd'ra, n. (Gk Myth.) snake whose many heads grew again when cut off; (fig.) thing hard to extirpate; water-snake; a fresh-water polyp. [L, f. Gk *hudra* water-snake]

hýdrán'gea (-ja), n. Genus of shrubs with globular clusters of white, blue, or pink flowers. [f. Gk *hudōr* water + *aggos* vessel]

hýd'rant, n. Pipe (esp. in street) with nozzle to which hose can be attached, for drawing water from main. [U.S. (HYDRO-, -ANT)]

hýd'rate', n. (chem.). Compound of water with another compound or an element. [f. Gk *hudōr* water, see -ATE¹]

hýd'ríate', v.t. (chem.). Combine with water. Hence ~ATION n. [f. prec.]

hýdraul'ic, a. & n. 1. Of water conveyed through pipes or channels; operated by water-power, as ~ *lift*; ~ *ram*, automatic pump in which kinetic energy of descending column of water raises some of the water above its original level; hardening under water, as ~ *cement*; ~ *press*, hydrostatic press. 2. n. pl. Science of conveyance of liquids through pipes etc., esp. as motive power. Hence or cogn. **hýdraul'ically** adv., **hýdraul'ic** (-ish) n. [f. L f. Gk *hudraulikos* (*hudōr* water + *aulos* pipe, see -IC)]

hýd'rí(c, a. (chem.). Of, containing, hydrogen. So ~IDE n. [f. HYDROGEN + -IC]
hýd'rō, n. (pl. ~s). = HYDROPATHIC. [colloq. abbr.]

hydro- in comb. = Gk *hudro-* comb. form of *hudōr* water, (1) in misce. terms, w. sense 'having to do with water', (2) in names of diseases, w. sense 'dropsical' or 'affected with accumulation of serous fluid', (3) in chem. terms, usu. w. sense 'combined with hydrogen'; as: ~carb'on, compound of hydrogen & carbon; ~ceph'alus, water on the brain; ~ceph'al'ic, ~ceph'alous, affected with this; ~chlor'ic, containing hydrogen & chlorine; ~cyan'ic, containing hydrogen & cyanogen, esp. ~cyanic acid, prussic acid; ~dīnām'ic(al), of the forces acting on or exerted by liquids; ~dīnām'ics, science of these forces; ~elec'tric, developing electricity by utilization of water power, (of electricity) produced by utilization of water-power; ~graph'er (-ōg'), person skilled in, ~graph'ic(al) having to do with, ~graphy; ~graphy (-ōg'), scientific description of the waters of the earth; ~kinē'tic(s), (science) of the motion of liquids; ~logy (-ōl'), science of the properties, laws, etc., of water; ~lysis (-ōl'), decomposition of a compound by reaction with water, the water also being decomposed; ~mān'ia, craving for water; ~mech'an'ics(of liquids); ~meter (-ōm'), instrument for finding specific gravity of liquids (occas. also of solids); ~mē'tric, ~metry (-ōm'), concerned with, determination of, specific gravity of liquids; *hūd'rophane*, opal that absorbs water & becomes transparent on immersion; *hūd'rophane*, instrument for detection of sound-waves in water; *hūd'rophile*, aquatic plant; *hūd'roplane*, fin-like device enabling submarine to rise or fall, light fast motor-boat designed to skim over surface, seaplane; ~pneumāt'ic, involving combined action of water & air; ~quin'one, preparation from quinine, used (Phot.) as developer; *hūd'rosphere*, waters of the earth's surface; *hūd'rostal*, electrical device for detecting presence of water; ~therapeut'ic, ~thē'rapy, hydro-pathic, hydropathy; ~therm'al, of the action of heated water on earth's crust; ~thor'ax, dropsy of the chest; ~tropism (-ōt'), (of plants) tendency to turn to or from moisture; ~zō'a n. pl., class of eocelenterate animals chiefly marine, including jelly-fish & fresh-water hydra.

hūd'rogēn, n. Colourless invisible odourless gas, an element, the lightest substance known, forming two-thirds in volume of water. Hence *hūd'rō'gēn*ous a. [f. F *hydrogène* -GEN]

hūd'rō'gēnāte, v.t. Charge, cause to combine, with hydrogen. So ~IZE v.t. [prec. + -ATE]

hūd'roid, a. & n. (zool.). (Animal) like, allied to, the hydra (polyp). [-OID]

hūd'romēl, n. Mixture of honey & water; vinous ~ (also mead), thus fermented. [L. f. Gk *hydromeli* (mell honey, see HYDRO-)]

hydropath'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, concerned

with, hydropathy. 2. n. ~ establishment. [f. foll. + -IC]

hūd'rōp'ath'ic, n. Medical treatment by external & internal application of water. So ~IST n. [HYDRO- + -PATHY]

hūd'rōphōb'ia, n. Aversion to water, esp. as symptom of rabies in man; rabies, esp. in man; (Joc.) dread of water. So ~IC a. [L. f. Gk *hudrophobia*, see HYDRO-]

hūd'rōp'ic, a. Dropsical. [ME. f. OF *hydroripic* f. L. f. Gk *hūd'rōpikos* (as HYDROPSY, see -IC)]

hūd'rōpōn'ics, n. Soilless culture, art of growing plants without soil, in water impregnated with chemicals. [HYDRO-, Gk *ponos* labour]

hūd'rōpsy, n. (arch. or med.). Dropsy. [ME. f. OF *hydroripis* f. med. L *hydropisia* (for L -sis) f. Gk *hūd'rōps* (*hudōr* water)]

hūd'rōstāt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the equilibrium of liquids & the pressure exerted by liquids at rest; ~ paradox, principle that any quantity of a perfect liquid, however small, may be made to balance any other quantity; ~ press (also *hydraulic*, *Bramah's press*), machine in which pressure of a body of water is multiplied by transmission from small to larger cylinder. 2. n. pl. Branch of mechanics concerned with the pressure & equilibrium of liquids at rest. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [HYDRO- + -STATIC; Gk had *hūdrostatēs* ~ balance]

hūd'rōus, a. (chem., mineral.). Containing water. [f. Gk *hudōr* water + -OUS]

hūēn'a, **hūaen'a**, n. Carnivorous quadruped allied to dog tribe; striped ~, variety whose howl is compared to fiendish laughter; cruel, treacherous, or rapacious person; Tasmanian tiger; ~ dog, S.-African canine quadruped like ~. [L. (-ae) f. Gk *huaina* fem. f. *hus* pig]

hūeto- in comb. = Gk *huctos* rain, as ~graphy (-ōg'), mapping of rainfall, ~meter (-ōm'), rain-gauge.

Hūgēl'a (-jē'a), n. Goddess of health; health personified. Hence **hūgēl'AN** (-jē'am) a. [f. Gk *Hugieia* late for *Hugieia* (*hugieis* healthy)]

hū'gīēne (or -jēn), n. Principles of health; sanitary science. Hence ~ēn'IC(AL) aa., ~ēn'ICALY² adv., ~ēn'ICS, ~ēn'IST, nn., (or -jōn'). [f. F *hygiène* f. Gk *hugieinē* (*lekhne* art) of health, f. *hugieis* healthy]

hūgro- in comb. = Gk *hugros* wet, fluid, as: *hūg'rōdeik* (-dīk), form of ~meter; ~logy (-ōl'), study of the humidity of atmosphere etc.; ~meter (-ōm'), instrument for measuring humidity of air or gas; ~mē'tric, ~metry (-ōm'), concerned with, measurement of, humidity; *hūg'rōscope*, instrument indicating but not measuring humidity of air; ~scōp'ic, of the ~scope, (of bodies) tending to absorb moisture.

Hūk'sōs (-z), n. pl. The shepherd kings of Egypt (about 2000 B.C.). [Gk *Hukšōs*]

hýl'ic, a. Of matter, material. [f. med. L f. Gk *hulikos* (*hulē* matter, see -ic)]

hýlo- in comb. = Gk *hulē* matter, as: ~*morph'ism*, doctrine that primordial matter is first cause of the universe; *hýl'otheism*, doctrine that God & matter are identical; *hýl'otheist*, ~*théist'ic*, holder of, concerned with, this doctrine; ~*zō'ism*, ~*zoist'ic*, materialism, -ist(ic).

Hým'en', n. (Gk & Rom. Myth.). God of marriage. So *hýméné'al* a., *hýméné'al-ly*² adv. [L, f. Gk *Humēn*]

hým'en', n. (anat.). Virginal membrane, stretched across external orifice of vagina. [f. Gk *humēn* membrano]

hýmén'o- in comb. = Gk *humēn* membrane, as ~*op'tera* n. pl., large order of insects with four membranous wings, so ~*op'teral*, ~*op'terous*, aa.

hymn (hím), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Song of praise to God, esp. metrical composition sung in religious service; song of praise in honour of a god or other exalted being; ~*book* (of ~s). 2. v.t. Praise (God etc.) in ~s, express (praise etc.) in ~; (v.i.) sing ~s. Hence *hým'nic* a., *hým'nist* n. [(vb f. n.) f. L f. Gk *hymnos*]

hým'n'al, a. & n. Of hymns; (n.) hymn-book, so ~*ARY*² n. [HYMN + -AL]

hým'nod'ý, n. Singing of hymns; composition of hymns, whence ~*IST* n.; hymns collectively. [f. L f. Gk *humnōdia* (*humnos* hymn + *ōdē* song, ODE)]

hým'nōg'rapher, n. Composer of hymns. [f. Gk *humnographos* (as *proc.*, see -*GRAPHER*)]

hým'nōl'og'ý, n. Composition, study, of hymns; hymns collectively. So *hým'nōl'óg'ic* a., ~*IST* n. [HYMN + -O- + -LOGY]

hý'oid a. & n. (anat.). 1. ~ *bone*, tongue-bone between chin & thyroid cartilage; pertaining to this. 2. n. ~ *bone*. [f. F *hyoide* f. Gk *huoideús* shaped like letter U]

hýoscý'amine, *hý'oscine*, nn. Alkaloids contained in henbane & used in medicine. [f. Gk *huoskuamos* henbane (*hus huos* pig, *kuamos* bean), -*INE*²]

hyp. See *HP*².

hýpaeth'ral, -*péth'ral*, a. Open to the sky, roofless; open-air. [f. L f. Gk *hupaitheos* (*aithēr* air, see *HYPO*-)]

hýpáll'agē, n. (gram.). Reversal of natural relations of two elements in a proposition (e.g. *apply the wound to water* for *apply water to the wound*). [L, f. Gk *hupallagē* (*allassō* exchange, see *HYPO*-)]

hýper-, pref. = Gk *hyper* in senses 'over', 'above', 'exceeding', 'excessive'.

hýperaesth'és'ia, n. (Path.) morbid sensitiveness of nerves; excessive sensibility. So ~*ETIC* (-*étic*) a. [HYPER + Gk -*aisthēsia* f. *aisthanomai* perceive]

hýpér'b'atōn, n. Inversion of normal order of words, esp. for sake of emphasis. [L, f. Gk *hyperbaton* (*bainō* step, see *HYPER*-)]

hýpér'b'ala, n. (geom.). Curve produced

when cone is cut by plane making larger angle with base than side of cone makes (cf. *ELLIPSE*). Hence *hýpér'ból'ic* a. [mod. L, f. Gk *hyperbolē* f. *hyperballō* exceed (*ballō* throw, see *HYPER*-)]

hýpér'b'ol'ē, n. (rhet.). Exaggerated statement not to be taken literally. Hence *hýpér'ból'ic* a., *hýpér'ból'ic-ly*² adv., ~*ISM*, ~*IST*, nn. [f. Gk as *prec.*]

hýpér'bōr'ean, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of the extreme north of the earth or (colloq.) of a country; (Gk Myth.) one of a race living in land of sunshine & plenty beyond north wind. [f. LL *hyperboreanus* (L -*boreus*) f. Gk *hyperboreos* (*Boreas* north wind, see *HYPER*-)]

hýpercátal'ētic, a. (pros.). (Of verse) having extra syllable after last complete dipody. [f. LL *HYPER(catalecticus) CATALECTIC*]

hýpercrit'ic'al, a. Too critical, esp. of small faults. Hence ~*ALLY*² adv., ~*ISM* n., ~*IZE* v.t. & i. [HYPER + *CRITICAL*]

hýpermēt'ric'al, aa. (Of verse) having a redundant syllable; (of syllable) redundant. [f. Gk *hypermetros* (*metron* metre, *HYPER*-)]

hýpermétr'óp'ia, n. Morbidly long sight. Hence ~*OP'ic* a. [as *prec.* + Gk *ops* eye + -*ia* -Y²]

hýperphýs'ical (-z-), a. Supernatural. [HYPER-]

hýp'ersthēne, n. Greenish mineral allied to hornblende. [f. F *HYPER(stène)* f. Gk *sthenos* strength, from its hardness]

hýpért'roph'ý, n. Enlargement (of organ etc.) due to excessive nutrition. Hence or cogn. *hýpértroph'ic*, ~*IED*² (-*id*), aa. [HYPER- + Gk -*trophia* nourishment f. *trephō*]

hypethral. See *HYTAETHERAL*.

hýph'en, n., & v.t. 1. Sign (-) used to join two words together, to join separated syllables of word broken at end of line, or to divide word into parts; short pause between syllables in speaking. 2. v.t. Join (words) with ~, write (compound word) with ~. [(vb f. n.) LL, f. Gk *huphen* together (*hupo* under + *hen* one)]

hýph'enâte, v.t. = *prec.* vb (~*d American*, German-Americans, Irish-Americans, etc.). [prec., -*ATE*²]

hýpno- in comb. (before vowel *hypn-*) = Gk *hupnos* sleep, as: ~*gen'esis*, ~*genē'ic*, induction of, inducing, the hypnotic state; ~*logy* (-*lōg*), science of the phenomena of sleep.

hýpnōs'is, n. (pl. -*ōsēs*). Artificially produced sleep; hypnotic state. [f. Gk *hupnōs* make sleep, -*OSIS*]

hýpnōt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, producing, hypnotism. 2. n. Thing that produces sleep; person under influence of hypnotism. [f. F *hypnotique* f. LL f. Gk *hupnōtikos* (as *prec.*, see -*OTIC*)]

hýp'not'ism, n. (Artificial production of a state resembling deep sleep, in which

the subject acts only on external suggestion. So ~IST n., ~IZE v.t. [f. prec. + -ISM]

hýp'ô, n. (photog.). Hyposulphite (or thio-sulphate) of soda, used in fixing. [abbr.]

hýpo- in comb. (before vowel *hýp-*) = Gk *hupo* under, below, slightly; (Chem.) forming names of oxygen compounds lower in the series than those with the simple name. Exx.: *hýp'oblast*, inner layer of cells in blastoderm; ~*brán'chial* (-ngk-), situated under the gills; ~*cýc'loid*, curve traced by point in circumference of circle rolling round interior circumference of another circle; ~*gás'trium*, lowest region of abdomen; ~*gè'al*, ~*gè'an*, aa., underground; *hýp'ogène*, (of rocks) formed under the surface; ~*gè'um*, pl. ~*gèa*, underground chamber; ~*gloss'al* (nerve), motor nerve of tongue; ~*gynous* (-ôj'), (Bot.), situated below pistils or ovary; *hýp'onasty* (Bot.), tendency in plant-organs to grow more rapidly on under side; ~*phós'phite*, salt of hypophosphorous acid; *hýp'ostyle*, (hall etc.) with roof supported on pillars; ~*trachel'ium* (-kô-), lower part of capital of column.

hýp'ocaust, n. (Rom. Ant.). Hollow space under floor in which heat from furnace was accumulated for heating house or bath. [f. LL f. Gk *hupokauston* place heated from below (*kaiô*, *kau*, burn, see prec.)]

hýpochôn'dr[i]a (-k-), n. Morbid depression either apparently causeless or due to (unnecessary) anxiety about health. So ~*i'asis* n. [f. LL f. Gk (*ta*) *hupokhondria* soft parts of body below costal cartilages (*khondros* cartilage, see *HYPO-*)]

hýpochôn'dr[i]ác (-k-), a. & n. 1. Of, affected by, hypochondria. 2. n. ~*iac* person. Hence ~*i'acal* a., ~*i'acally* adv. [f. F *hypochondriaque* f. med.L f. Gk *hupokhondriakos* (as prec., see -*AO*)]

hýpocoris'tic, a. (gram.). Of the nature of a pet-name. [f. Gk *hupokoristikos* (*hupokorisomai* play the child)]

hýpóc'risý, n. Simulation of virtue or goodness; dissimulation; pretence. [f. OF *ypocrisie* f. ecol. L f. Gk *hupokrisis* lit. acting of a part f. *hupokrinomai* (*hupo-* + *krinô* decide, judge)]

hýp'ocrite, n. Person guilty of hypocrisy; dissembler, pretender. So **hýpocrit'ical** a., **hýpocrit'ically** adv. [f. OF *ypocrite* f. ecol. L (-*ta*) f. Gk *hupokritês* actor (as prec.)]

hýpodèrm'ic, a. (Med., of drugs etc.) placed beneath the skin, as ~*ic injection*; (Anat.) lying under the skin. Hence ~*ically* adv. [f. *HYPO-* + Gk *derma* skin + -*IC*]

hýpô's'tas'is, n. (pl. ~*es*, pr. ~*is*). 1. (Med.) excess of blood in organs of body. 2. (Metaphor.) underlying substance, opp. to what is unsubstantial.

3. (Theol.) personality (of Christ), person (of the Godhead). So **hýpostát'ic(al)** aa., **hýpostát'ically** adv., ~*ism*(s), **hýpô's'tatizé**(s), vv.t. (metaphys.). [f. LL f. Gk *hupostasis* (*hupo-* + *stasis* standing, state)]

hýpôt'ênuse, n. Side opposite right angle of triangle. [f. LL f. Gk *hupoteinousa* (*grammê*) subtending line (*hupo-* + *teinô* stretch); also (improp.) ~*thenuse*]

hýp'othéc, n. (Rom. & Sc. Law). Security established by law over thing belonging to debtor. So **hýpôth'écary** a. [f. LL f. Gk *hupothêkê* f. *hupotithêmî* place under, deposit as pledge (*hupo-* + *tithêmî* place)]

hýpôth'éc[i]âte, v.t. Pledge, mortgage. Hence ~*'ATION* n. [f. LL *hypothecare* (as prec.), see -*ATE*]

hýpôth'ésis, n. (pl. ~*theses*). Supposition made as basis for reasoning, without reference to its truth, or as starting-point for investigation; groundless assumption. So **hýpothét'ic(al)** aa., **hýpothét'ically** adv. [f. Gk *hypothesis* foundation (as *HYPOTHÉO*)]

hýpôth'ésizé, v.i. & t. Frame a hypothesis; (trans.) assume. [f. prec. + -*IZE*]

hýpso- in comb. = Gk *hypsos* height, as: ~*graphy* (-ôg), department of geography dealing with altitudes; ~*meter* (-ôm'), ~*mè'tric(al)*, ~*metry* (-ôm'), instrument for, concerned with, science of, measuring altitudes.

hýr'ax, n. Genus of small rabbit-like quadrupeds, including Syrian rock-rabbit and S.-Afr. rock-badger. [f. Gk *hurax* shrew-mouse]

hýs'on, n. Kind of green tea from China. [f. Chin. *hsi-ch'ün* lit. bright spring]

|| **hý'spý**, I **spý**, n. Kind of hide-&-seek.

hýss'op, n. Small bushy aromatic herb, formerly used medicinally; (Bibl.) plant whose twigs were used for sprinkling in Jewish rites, bunch of this used in purification. [f. L f. Gk *hussôpos*, prob. of eastern orig.]

hýsterés'is, n. (physics). Lagging of magnetic induction behind the magnetizing force. [f. Gk *husterêsis* (*husteros* coming after)]

hýstér'ia, n. Functional disturbance of nervous system (esp. of women), characterized by anaesthesia, convulsions, etc., & usu. attended with disturbance of moral & intellectual faculties (formerly thought to be due to disturbance of womb); morbid excitement. [mod. medical L, on foll.]

hýstér'ic, a. & n. 1. = foll. 2. n. pl. Hysterical fits or convulsions. [f. L f. Gk *husterikos* of the womb (*hustera*, see -*IO*)]

hýstér'ical, a. Of, affected with, hysteria; morbidly emotional. Hence ~*ly* adv. [prec. + -*AL*]

hýstero- in comb. = Gk *hustera* womb, as: ~*phète*, ~*gony* (-ôg'), productive, produc-

tion, of HYSTERIA; ~logy (-ôlô), treatise on the uterus; ~tomy (-ôtl), operation of cutting into the uterus.

hyst'eron prôt'erdn, n. (Gram.) figure of speech in which what should come last is put first; inversion of natural order. [LL, f. Gk *hysteron proteron* latter (put in place of) former]

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I¹, i, (M), letter (pl. *Is*, *I's*). As Roman numeral I or i = 1, as i 1, li 2, lli 3, iv (rarely liii) 4, vi 6, viii 8, ix (rarely viiii) 9, xi 11, xiv 14, li 51, cii 102, miv 1,004.

I² (i), pron. & n. Subjective case of 1st pers. pron. (objective *me*, poss. *my*; pl. *we*, obj. *us*, poss. *our*); (n., metaphys.) *the I*, the ego, subject or object of self-consciousness. [OE *ic*, cf. Du. *ik*, G *ich*, also L *ego*, Gk *egô*]

-i, suf. forming pl. of L nn. in *-us* & *-er* of 2nd decl. & of Ital. wds in *-o*, *-e*; retained in E in wds of scientific or learned use, as *cirri*, *foci*, *dilettanti*, *litterati*; also freq. in mod. L names of groups or orders in Nat. Hist., as *acanthopterygii*, *acrocarpi*.

-i-, connecting vowel in L, being stem-vowel, as in *omnivorus*, weakened representative of this, as in *herbivorus* (*herba-*), *granivorus* (*grano-*), or merely connective, as in *graminivorus* (*gramin-*); used in E in compds formed on L models, as *hydriform*, *setiform*. Cf. *-o-*.

-ia¹, suf., f. L & Gk *-ia*, forming abstract nn. etc., as *hydrophobia*, *mania*, *militia*; freq. in mod. L terms of pathology (*cephalalgia*, *hysteria*); of bot. (classes, as *Cryptogamia*, & personal names, as *dahlia*, *fuchsia*); in names of countries, as *Australia*; & in names of alkaloids, as *morphia*, *strychnia*, (in more recent nomenclature *-ine*). F *-ie* f. *-ia* gives *-y¹*.

-ia², suf. forming pl. of Gk nn. in *-ion* & L nn. in *-ium*, as *paraphernalia*, *regalia*; freq. in mod. L names of classes etc. in Zool., as *mammalia*, *reptilia*.

-ial, suf. repr. L *-ialis*, in adj. f. n.-stems in *-io-*, *-ia-*, as *curialis*, *tibialis*; much used in med. L, F, & E, to form adj. f. L adj. in *-is* & *-ius*, as *celestial*, *dictatorial* (L *-tis*, *-rius*).

I'amb, n. = IAMBUS. [f. F *iambe*, as IAMBUS]

iamb'ic, a. & n. (pros.). Of, containing, based on, iambuses; (n.) ~ verse. [f. F *iambique* f. L f. Gk *iambikos* (as foll., see -IO)]

iamb'us, n. (pl. *-buses*, *-bi*). The metrical foot ~. [L, f. Gk *iambos* iambus, lampoon (*iapô* assail)]

-ian, suf. of aa. & nn. = L *-anus* -AN added to stems in *-i-*, as *Italian*, *Virgilian*, or w. connective *-i-*, as *Christian*; esp. forming aa. on proper names, as *Addisonian*, *Bostonian*, (varying in place-names with

-er, as *Londoner*, & often added to Latinized stems, as *Mancunian*, *Glaswegian*, *Oxonian*, *Liverpudlian*).

Ibér'ian (i-), a. & n. 1. Of ancient Iberia; of Spain & Portugal as one country. 2. n. Inhabitant, language, of ancient Iberia. [f. L *Iberia* f. Gk *Ibères* Spaniards + -AN] **ib'ëx**, n. (pl. ~es). Wild goat of Alps & Apennines, with large recurved horns. [L]

ibid'ém, adv. In the same book, chapter, passage, etc. (abbr. *ib.*, *ibid.*). [L, ~ in the same place (*ibi* there + demonstr. suf. *-dem*)]

ib'is, n. (pl. ~es). Stork-like bird found in lakes & swamps of warm climates; *Sacred I*~, kind venerated by ancient Egyptians. [L f. Gk]

-ible, suf. f. L *-ibilis*, i.e. *-bilis* -BLE as appended to p.p. stems, 3rd conj. vbs. & some 2nd conj. (*terrible*), or f. L *-ibilis* (*-bilis* with 4th conj.); also in mod. formations, as *avertible*. Displaced by *-able* in many wds taken thr. F or formed really or apparently on E vbs. Meaning: 'that can be -d'.

-ic, suf. 1. Forming adj. (often thr. F *-ique*) f. L *-icus*, occas. of L orig., as in *classicus*, *publicus*, *domesticus*, but usu. f. Gk *-ikos*, as in *grammaticus*, *poeticus*. E adj. in *-ic* are direct f. Gk, or on Gk elements, or (esp. scientific terms) on wds f. L or other langg., as *carbonic*, *Byronic*. (Chem.) *-ic* in names of oxygen acids etc. indicates higher degree of oxidation than *-ous*, as in *chloric*, *sulphuric*. 2. Gk adj. in *-ikos* were used as nn. in 3 ways: in masc. sing., as *kritikos* man able to discern, critic; in fem. sing., as *mouistiké* (*tekhné*) art of the muses, music; in neut. pl., as *ta oikonomika* things pertaining to management, economics. In L the last two both became *-ica*, whence much fluctuation in med. L as to grammatical treatment. The Rom. langg. usu. had fem. sing. for names of arts & sciences, but F occas. had pl., as *les mathématiques*. E wds before 15th c. were sing., as still *arithmetic*, *music*, *magic*, *logic*, *rhetoric*; later, *-ics* became usu. form for names of sciences, as *acoustics*, *comics*, *dynamics*, (treated as sing.), & of practical matters, as *athletics*, *politics*, *tactics*, (pl.). Besides this spec. use, other adj. in *-ic* become nn., as *epic*, *emetic*, *cosmetic*, *rustic*, *mechanic*.

-ical, suf. (*-ic* + *-al*) forming adj. f. nn., as *musical*, or more commonly secondary adj. f. adj. as *comical*, *historical*. Many adj. have both the *-ic* & *-ical* form, often with distinction in meaning (see -AL).

-ically, suf. (*-ical* + *-ly*) forming adv. corr. to adj. in *-ic*, *-ical*, adv. in *-icly*, as *publicly*, *politically*, being rare.

Ice¹, n. 1. Frozen water; *break the ~*, (fig.) make a beginning, break through reserve or stiffness; *cut² as ~*; (w. pl.) frozen

confection, ~cream, water~. 2. ~age, glacial period; ~aze (used by Alpine climbers for cutting steps); ~blink, luminous appearance on horizon, caused by reflexion from ~; ~boat, boat mounted on runners for travelling on ~, (also ~breaker) boat used for breaking ~ on river etc.; ~cream, flavoured cream or custard congealed in freezing-mixture; coco-nut etc. ~, slabs of sugar flavoured with coco-nut etc.; ~fall, steep part of glacier like frozen waterfall; ~field, expanse of ~, esp. in Polar regions; ~foot, belt of ~ along coast in Arctic regions; ~house, building often partly or wholly underground for storing ~; ~man, man skilled in traversing ~, (also) maker of ~s; (~)PACK¹; ~pick, stiletto for splitting up table ~; ~plant (with leaves covered with watery vesicles looking like ~specks); ~pudding, a frozen confection; ~run, artificial tobogganing track of ~; ~wool (glossy kind used in crochet etc.). [com.-Teut.: OE *is*, Du. *ijs*, G. *eis*]

Ice¹, v.t. Freeze; cover (as) with ice; cool (wine) in ice; cover (cake etc.) with concretion of sugar. [f. prec.]

-ice, suf., OF, f. L *-itia* in abstract nn. (*justice*, *avarice*, *malice*, *notice*, & F formations *cowardice*, *jaundice*) & f. L *-itius*, *-itium*, (*novice*, *precipite*, *service*). But E *-ice* has freq. diff. orig., as in *apprentice*, *bedice*, *practice*, where *-ice* is partly due to assim.

ice'berg (is'b-), n. Huge floating mass of ice, detached portion of glacier carried out to sea; (fig.) unemotional or cold-blooded person. [prob. f. Du. *ijsberg* (*ijs* ice + *berg* hill)]

Ice'land (is'l-), n. Large island between Norway and Greenland; ~ *lichen*, moss, edible species; ~ *poppy*, yellow Arctic poppy; ~ *spar*, transparent variety of calcite. Hence ~ER¹(4) n. [f. ON *Ísland* (*íss* ice + *land*)]

Ícelán'dic (ísl-), a. & n. (Language) of Iceland. [-ic]

Ich'abod (ik-), n. (As exclamation of regret=) the glory has departed. [Heb., see 1 *Sam.* iv. 21]

Ichneum'on (-k-), n. 1. Small brown weasel-like quadruped allied to mongoose, noted for destroying crocodiles' eggs. 2. (Also ~fly) small parasitic hymenopterous insect depositing eggs in or on larva of another insect. [L, f. Gk *ichneumon* spider-hunting wasp f. *ikhneuo* track (*ikhnos*)]

Ichno- (ik-) in comb. = Gk *ikhnos* track, trace, as: ~graph'ic(al), ~graphy (-ôg'), (of) the drawing of ground-plans; ~like (ik'), fossil footprint (also *ichnite*, pr. Ik'nit); ~logy (-ôl'), study of fossil footprints.

Ich'ôr (ik-), n. (Gk Myth.) fluid flowing like blood in veins of gods; (Path.) watery acid discharge from wounds etc. Hence ~ous (ik'-or-) a. [Gk *ikhôr*]

ichthyo- (ik-) in comb. (before vowel *ichthy-*) = Gk *ikhthys* fish, as: ~grapher, ~graphy, (-ôg'), writer on, description of, fishes; ~latry (-ôl'), worship of a fish-god; ~like (ik'), fossil fish; ~logy (-ôl'), natural history of fishes, whence ~lo'gical, ~logist (-ôl'); ~phagi, ~phagist, (-ôf'), fish-eater(s); ~phagous (-ôf'), fish-eating; *ichthyor'nis*, extinct genus of toothed birds.

ich'thyoid (-k-), a. & n. Fish-like; (n.) vertebrate of fish type. [as prec. + -oid]
ichthyosaur'us (-k-), n. Extinct marine animal with huge head, tapering body, four paddles, & long tail. [ICETHYO- + Gk *sauros* lizard]

Ichthy'ôs'is (-k-), n. Disease in which epidermis becomes dry & horny. So ~OT'ic (-ôf') a. [f. Gk *ikhthys* fish + -ôsis]
-ician, suf. (= F *-icien*), spec. form of -IAN added to names of arts or sciences in -ic(s) to form personal designations (= one skilled in or concerned with), as *arithmetician*, *logician*, *optician*, *politician*; occas. used when there is no corresp. n. (& even no adj.) in -ic, as *academician*, *algebraician*.

ic'icle, n. Tapering ice-formation, produced by freezing of successive drops trickling from the point of attachment. [OE has *ices gicel* (is ice + *gicel*, cogn. w. ON *jokull* icicle, glacier)]

ic'ing, n. In vbl senses of **ICE**², esp.: sugar etc. coating of cake etc.; formation of ice on aircraft. [-ING¹]

ic'kle, a. (nursery). Little. [corrupt.]

ic'on, n. Image, statue; (Eastern Church) painting, mosaic, etc., of sacred personage, itself regarded as sacred. [LL, f. Gk *eikôn* image ('eikô be like)]

icôn'ic, a. Of (the nature of) an image or portrait; (of statues) following a conventional type. [f. LL f. Gk *eikonikos* (as prec., see -IO)]

icono- in comb. = Gk *eikôn* image, as: ~graphy (-ôg'), illustration of subject by drawings or figures, book whose essence is pictures, treatise on pictures or statuary, so ~grapher (-ôg'), ~graph'ic; ~laler, ~latry, (-ôl'), worshipper, worship, of images; ~logy (-ôl'), study of icons (in any sense); ~macy (-ôm'akt), war against use of images in connexion with worship; ~stasis (-ôst'), (Eastern Church) screen separating sanctuary from main body of church, & on which icons are placed.

icôn'oclâsm, n. Breaking of images (lit. & fig.). [prec. + Gk *klasma* (klaô break, -M)]

icôn'oclâst, n. Breaker of images, esp. one who took part in movement in 8th & 9th cc. against use of images in religious worship in churches of the East; (fig.) one who assails cherished beliefs. Hence ~IC (-ôst') a. [f. LL f. Gk *eikonoklastês* (*eikôn* icon + *klastês* f. *klaô* break)]

iconóm'éter, n. (Photog.) direct-vision view-finder (either fixed to camera, or detached & adjustable for various lenses & sizes of plate); (Surveying) optical instrument for ascertaining size or distance of an object. [ICONO- + -METER]

ic'osahéd'ron (-a-h-), n. Solid contained by twenty plane faces. [f. Gk *eikosaedron* (*eikost* twenty + *hedra* base)]

-ics. See -IC(2).

ic'tus, n. (pros.). Rhythmical or metrical stress. [L. = blow, f. *icere* strike]

ic'y, a. Abounding in, covered with, ico; very cold (lit., & fig. as ~ manners). Hence **ic'ily** adv., **ic'iness** n. [-y²]

id, n. (Biol.) a unit of germ-plasm or idioplasm; (Psycho-anal.) the instinctive impulses of the individual. [first sense, abbr. IDIOPASM; second, f. L *id* that]

-id', suf. f. F *-ide* f. L *-idus*, which forms adj. chiefly f. vbs w. *-ē-* stems, as *acidus* acid f. *acere*, but also f. vbs w. *-i-* or consonant stem, as *fluidus* fluid f. *fluere*, & f. nn., as *morbidus* morbid f. *morbus*. Earlier E wds come thr. F, others f. L direct.

-id', suf. of nn. (= F *-ide*) f. L f. Gk *-id-* (nom. *-is*), as *chrysalid*, pyramid. In bot., *amaryllid*, orchid, etc., should denote plants amaryllis, orchis, etc., but in fact denote members of the family of which these are typical genera (*amaryllideae*, *orchidaceae*).

-id', suf. of nn. & aa. (zool.). 1. Through F f. L names of families in *-idae* pl. of *-ides* f. Gk *-idēs* son of, as *Araneid*, member of the family *Araneidae*. 2. f. L names of classes in *-ida* taken as neut. pl. of *-ides* (= Gk *-idēs*), as *Arachnid*, member of the class *Arachnida*.

-id', suf. Early spelling of *-ide*, now chiefly U.S.

ide, n. Fish allied to carp. [f. Swed. *id*]

-ide, suf. (chem.) forming names of simple compounds of an element with another element or radical, the suf. *-ide* being added to the name (usu. abbrev.) of the more electro negative element, as *bromine chloride*, *sulphur bromide*, *carbon sulphide*, *boron carbide*; first used in *oxide* from *oxygen*.

idé'a (or *-ia*), n. 1. Archetype, pattern, as distinguished from its realization in individuals; (Platonic) eternally existing pattern of which individual things in any class are imperfect copies. 2. Conception, plan, of thing to be aimed at, created, etc.; plan of action. 3. Notion conceived by the mind; way of thinking (*the young ~*, *the child's mind*); vague belief, fancy, as *the ~ of his doing such a thing, I had no ~ you were there*. 4. (Descartes, Locke) immediate object of thought or mental perception; (Kant) conception of reason transcending all experience. 5. *Man of ~*, resourceful person; **the big ~*, scheme, proposal (usu. ironical: *what's the big ~?*, *what folly have you in*

mind). Hence ~d, ~ED², (-'ad), ~LESS (-'al-), aa. [LL f. Gk. = form, kind, f. *id*-see]

idé'al, a. & n. 1. Answering to one's highest conception; embodying an idea; existing only in idea; visionary; relating to, consisting of, (Platonic) ideas. 2. n. Perfect type; actual thing as standard for imitation. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *idéal* f. LL *ideal* (as prec., see -AL)]

idé'alism, n. Representation of things in ideal form, imaginative treatment, (cf. REALISM), so ~IZA'TION n., ~IZE v.t. & i.; (Philos.) system of thought in which the object of external perception is held to consist of ideas (cf. REALISM). So ~IST n., ~IS'TIO a. [-ISM]

idé'al'ity, n. Quality of being ideal; (Phrenol.) imaginative faculty. [-ITY]

idé'ate, v.t. & i. Imagine, conceive; form ideas. Hence IDEA'TION n., IDEA'TIONAL (-shon-) a. [f. IDEA + -ATE²]

idee fixe (ôdâfêks'), n. Idea that dominates the mind, monomania. [F, lit. fixed idea]

id'ém, n. or adv. (abbr. *id.*). (In) the same author (i-); the same word (i-); *idem quod*, the same as. [L *idem* masc., *idem* neut., same]

iden'tic, a. (Diplom.) ~ note, simultaneous & uniformly worded expression of opinion from several powers to another; = foll. [f. schol. L *identicus* (cf. IDENTITY)]

iden'tical, a. (Of one thing viewed at different times) the very same; (of different things) agreeing in every detail (*with*); (of twins) developed from a single fertilized ovum; (Logic, Math.) expressing an identity (~ proposition, of the type *Man is man*). Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

iden'tif'y, v.t. Treat (thing) as identical (*with*); associate oneself inseparably *with* (party, policy, etc.); establish identity of. Hence ~FIABLE a., ~FICA'TION n. (~fication or ~ty disk, of rubber or metal worn by soldier etc. on active service & bearing his name etc.). [f. LL *identificare* (as foll., see -FY)]

iden'tity, n. Absolute sameness; individuality, personality, (~ disk, see prec.); (Alg.) equality of two expressions for all values of the literal quantities, equation expressing this. e.g. $(x+1)^2 = x^2 + 2x + 1$. [f. F *identité* f. LL *identitas*, irreg. f. *idem* same (see -TY)]

id'éo- in comb. = IDEA, as: ~gram, ~graph, character symbolizing the idea of a thing without expressing its name (e.g. Chinese characters), whence ~graph'ic(al), ~graphy (-ôg²).

idéol'ogy, n. Science of ideas; visionary speculation; manner of thinking characteristic of a class or individual, ideas at the basis of some economic or political theory or system, as *Fascist, Nazi*, ~. So IDEOL'OGICAL a., IDEOL'OGIST n., ID'EO-LOGUM (-lôg) n., theorist, visionary. [prec., -LOGY]

ides (idz), n. pl. (Rom. Ant.). Eighth day after nones (15th of March, May, July, October, 13th of other months). [F, f. L *Idūs*]

Id est (abbr. i.e.). That is to say. [L]

Id'locy, n. Extreme mental imbecility. (f. Gk *idiōtēia* (as IDIOT) or f. *idiot* + -cy; *idiotcy* is irreg. form)

Id'iom, n. Language of a people or country; specific character of this; form of expression peculiar to a language. [f. L f. Gk *idiōma* -matos (*idiōmatē* make one's own f. *idios*, see -M)]

Idiomāt'ic, a. Characteristic of a particular language; relating to or conforming to idiom. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. Gk *idiōmatikos* (prec., -ic)]

Idiōp'athy, n. (path.). Disease not preceded or occasioned by another. Hence **Idiōpāth'ic** a., **Idiōpāth'ically** adv. [f. Gk *idiōpāthēia* (*idios* own, see -PATHY)]

Id'ioplāsm, n. (biol.). Portion of PLASM that determines an organism's nature. [Gk *idios* own, PLASM]

Idiosync'rasy, n. Mental constitution, view, feeling, peculiar to a person; mode of expression peculiar to an author; (Med.) physical constitution peculiar to a person. So **Idiosyncrāt'ic** a. [f. Gk *idiosynkrasia* (*idios* own + *sun* together + *krasis* mixture f. *kerannumi* mix)]

Id'iot, n. Person so deficient in mind as to be permanently incapable of rational conduct; utter fool; ~stitch, TRICOT-stitch (the easiest in crochet work). So **Idiōt'ic** a., **Idiōt'ically** adv. [F, f. L (-ta) f. Gk *idiōtēs* private person, 'layman', ignorant person, f. *idios* own, private]

I'dle, a. (-er, -est), & v.i. & t. 1. (Of action, thought, word) ineffective, worthless, vain; groundless; useless; unoccupied; lazy, indolent; ~wheel or ~r, safety wheel coming into operation in case of breakdown, (also) intermediate wheel between two geared wheels. 2. v.i. Be ~; (v.t.) pass (time etc.) away in ~ness. Hence ~NESS ('din-), **Id'ler**, nn., **Id'ly** adv. [vb f. a.] OE *idel*, cf. Du. *idel*, G *eitel*; orig. sense prob. 'empty']

Id'lesse, n. Idleness. [sham arch., -ess']

Ido (id'ō), n. An artificial universal language based on Esperanto. [= offspring (in Ido)]

Id'ol, n. Image of deity used as object of worship; false god; person, thing, that is the object of excessive devotion; phantom; (Logic) false mental conception, ~s of the tribe, cave, market, theatre, (L *idola tribus, specus, fori, theatri*), four classes of fallacies (Bacon, *Nov. Org. I. xxxix*) referable respectively to limitations of human mind, prejudices of idiosyncrasy, influence of words, philosophical & natural prepossessions. (f. OF *idole* f. L *idolū* *idolū* phantom (*idos* form))

Idol'ater, n. Worshipper of idols; de-

voted admirer (of). So ~RESS¹, ~RY¹ (honour one on this side ~ry, short of making a god of him, nn., ~ROUS a., ~ROUSLY² adv. [f. OF *idolatre* shortened f. eccl. L f. Gk *eidōlatrēs* (IDOL, -LATRY); F had also *idolâtre* by confus. w. suf. -*âtre* -ASTER, whence earlier E *idolater*]

Id'olize, v.t. & i. Make an idol of; venerate, love, to excess; practise idolatry. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

Idōl'um, n. (pl. -la). Mental image, idea; (Logic) fallacy (see IDOL). [L, as IDOL]

Id'yll, -yl, n. Short description in verse or (prose ~) in prose of picturesque scene or incident, esp. in rustic life; episode suitable for such treatment. Hence **Idyll'ic** a., **Idyll'ically** adv., ~IST n., ~IZE(1) v.t. [f. L f. Gk *eidullion* (*eidos* form)]

-ier, suf. forming personal nn. denoting occupation etc.; there are two sets, ME wds w. unaccented -ier, as *collier* (see -ER²), & later wds f. 16th c. w. -ier usu. accented, as *cavalier* (but *financier*), & often spelt -eer. The latter, & perh. usu. the former, f. F -ier, -EEER.

if, conj. & n. 1. On the condition or supposition that, as if you are (now) tired we will sit down, if you (hereafter) see him give him the message, if he has found it he will send it, if he had fair warning he has nothing to complain of, if he had been warned he has (or had) nothing to complain of, (w. past tense implying that condition is not fulfilled) if I knew what to do I should do it, if he had been warned he would have (or would have had) nothing to complain of; whenever, as if I feel any doubt I inquire, if I felt any doubt I inquired, if I had been badly treated I complained; whether, as ask, see, try, if you can turn the handle; (when if is omitted, order of verb & subject is inverted, as) were I (if I were) in your place, would, could, should, might, had, he (if he would, could, etc.), (poet.) loved I not honour more; (without apodosis) if I only knew!, I wish I knew, if I haven't lost my watch! (I have, to my surprise or disgust); as if, as the case would be if, as it seems as if he meant (vulg. means) to compromise, he talks as (he would) if he were drunk; as if you didn't know, you know quite well. 2. n. Condition, supposition, as if if's & ans were pots & pans. [OE *gif*, cf. Du. of if, G *ob* whether; perh. cases of a noun (OHG *iba*) meaning 'doubt']

ig'lōō, n. Eskimo dome-shaped hut. [native, =house]

ig'néous, a. Of fire, fiery; produced by volcanic agency. (f. L *igneus* (*ignis* fire) + -ous)

ig'nis fāt'uus, n. Will-o'-the-wisp, phosphorescent light (now rarely) seen on marshy ground, supposed due to spontaneous combustion of gas from decaying organic matter; delusive hope or gain. [med. or med.-L, = foolish fire]

ignit'e, v.t. & i. Make intensely hot; (Chem.) heat to the point of combustion or chemical change; set fire to; take fire. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., **igni'tion** n., (also) mechanism for, act of, starting combustion of the mixture in cylinder of internal-combustion engine. [f. L *ignire* -it- (*ignis* fire)]

ignō'ble, a. (-er, -est). Of low birth, position, or reputation; mean, base, dishonourable. Hence ~leness (-ln-) n., ~ly² adv. [F, f. L *ignobilis* (in- not + (*gnobilis* NOBLE)]

ignomin'y, n. Dishonour, infamy; infamous conduct. So **ignomin'ious** a. (now usu. in less damatious sense, = humiliating), **ignomin'iously** adv. [f. F *ignominie* f. L *ignominia* (in- not + (*gnomen* name)]

ignorā'm'us, n. (pl. ~es). Ignorant person. [L, = we do not know, (legal) we take no notice of (bill); mod. sense perh. f. Ruggie's *Ignoramus* (1616) exposing lawyers']

ign'orance, n. Want of knowledge (of thing, or in general; where ~ is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise). [F, f. L *ignorantia* (as foll., see -ANCE)]

ign'orant, a. Lacking knowledge; uninformed (of, in, subject, of fact). Hence ~ly² adv. [F, f. L, as **IGNORE**, see -ANT]

ignōr'atio (-shō) **ēlēm'chi** (-ki), n. (logic). Argument that appears to refute opponent while actually disproving something not advanced by him. [L]

ignō're, v.t. Refuse to take notice of; (of Grand Jury) reject (bill) as unfounded. [f. F *ignorer* f. L *ignorare* not know, ignore (in- not + *gnō-* know)]

ignōt'um pēr ignōt'us, n. Explanation obscurer than the thing it is meant to explain. [L, = the unknown by the still less known]

igua'na (-gwah-), n. Large W.-Ind. & S.-Amer. arboreal lizard. [Sp., f. Carib *twana*]

iguān'odōn (-gw-), n. Huge herbivorous lizard, found fossil. [f. prec. + Gk *odous* *odontos* tooth, after *mastodon* etc.]

IHS, abbr. repr. Gk *Iēsous* Jesus (Gk cap. ē being like H); often taken to mean *Jesus Hominum Salvator* (Saviour of men), *In Hoc Signo (vinces)* in this sign (thou shalt conquer), *In Hac (cruce) Salus* in this (cross) is salvation.

il-, pref. = IN^{1,2} before I.

-il, -ile, suf. of adj. & sometimes nn., repr. L *-ilis* or when added to *-i* stems *-ilis* (*civilis*). In OF *-ilis* appeared as *-il*, but *-ilis* lost i, tonic accent falling on prec. syllable (*humile* L *humilem*, *frêle* L *fragilem*). L wds adopted early in OF took *-il* masc., *-ile* fem. (*civil*, *-ile*); later wds have *-ile* for both genders (*agile*, *facile*). Few E wds have *-il* (*civil*, *fossil*, *uisentil*); & the tendency (not in U.S.) is to pronounce *-ile* of either origin with i.

il'ēx, n. (pl. ~es). Holm-oak; (Bot.) genus including common holly. [L]

il'iāc, a. Of the flank(-bone), as ~ artery; ~ passion, painful affection due to intestinal obstruction. [f. F *iliaque* f. LL *iliacus* (*ilium*, class. L only in pl. *ilia* flanks; but orig. the adj. corr. to L *ileus* f. Gk *eileos* colic)]

Il'iad (-i-), n. Epic poem attributed to Homer & describing siege of Troy; (fig.) ~ (long series) of woes. [f. L f. Gk *Ilias* (*poiēsis*) (poem) of Ilium or Troy]

il'iūm, n. (pl. -ia). Hip-bone. [L, see ILIAO]

ilk, a. (Sc.). Of that ~, of the same, as *Guthrie of that ~*, Guthrie of Guthrie; (vulg.) that ~, that family, class, or set. [OE *ilca* same, prob. f. pronominal st. *i-* (cf. Goth. *is* he) + *lic* LIKE]

ill, a., n., & adv. 1. Out of health, sick, as *he is ~*, *was taken ~*, (of or with disease, with anxiety etc.); (of health) unsound, disordered; morally bad, as ~ fame, disrepute, ~ blood, ~ will, animosity, strife, ~ nature, churlishness, ~ (morose) humour, temper; harmful, as (prov.) ~ weeds grow apace; do an ~ turn to person, harm him or his interests; wretched, disastrous, as (prov.) *it's an ~ wind that blows nobody good*; (arch.) difficult, as ~ to please; faulty, unskillful, as ~ management; (of manners or conduct) improper; ~ (imperfect) success. 2. n. Evil, the opposite of good; harm, injury; *speak ~* (something unfavourable of); (pl.) misfortunes. 3. adv. Badly, as *behaved ~*; *take (thing) ~*, take offence at it; unfavourably, as *it would have gone ~ with him*; imperfectly, scarcely, as ~ provided, *it ~ became him to speak*; ~ at case, embarrassed, uneasy. 4. ~advised', ~advis'edly, imprudent(ly); ~affected', not well disposed; ~bred', badly brought up, rude; ~breed'ing, bad manners; ~condi'tioned, of evil disposition, (also) in bad condition; ~disposed', disposed to evil, malevolent, (also) unfavourably disposed (towards); ~fat'ed, destined to, bringing, bad fortune; ~fav'oured, uncemely, (also) displeasing, objectionable; ~gott'en, gained by evil means; ~hum'oured, bad-tempered; ~judged', unwise; ~mann'ered, unmanly, rude; ~na'tured(ly), churlish(ly); ~om'ened, attended by bad omens; ~starred', born under an evil star, unlucky; ~tem'pered, morose, peevish; ~timed', unseasonable; ~treat', ~use', treat badly. [early ME, f. ON *illr*, etym. dub.]

illā'tion, n. Deduction, conclusion; thing deduced. [f. LL *illatio* (as *inferre*, see -ION)]

illāt'ive, a. (Of words) stating, introducing, an inference, as ~ particles; inferential. Hence ~ly² (-vi-) adv. [f. LL *illativus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

illēg'al, a. Not legal; contrary to law. Hence or cogn. **illēgāl'ity** n., ~ar² adv. [f. med. L *illegalis* **LEGAL**]

illē'gible, a. Not legible. Hence **~ibil'ity** n., **~ibly**² adv. [IL-]

illēg'imate¹, a. & n. Not authorized by law; improper; not born in lawful wedlock, bastard; wrongly inferred; abnormal; (n.) one whose position is ~ate, esp. bastard. Hence **~acy** n., **~ately**² adv. [IL-]

illēg'imate², v.t. Declare illegitimate. Hence **~ation** n. [f. prec.]

illib'eral, a. Not befitting a free man; without liberal culture; vulgar, sordid; narrow-minded; stingy. Hence or cogn. **~ity** (-āl²) n., **~ly**² adv. [f. F *illiberal* f. L *liberalis* LIBERAL]

ill'icit, a. Unlawful, forbidden. Hence **~ly**² adv. [f. F *illicite* f. L *illicitus* p.p. of *licere* be allowed]

illim'itable, a. Boundless. Hence **~abil'ity**, **~ableness**, nn., **~ably**² adv. [IL-]

illit'er'ate, a. & n. Ignorant of letters; unlearned; unable to read; (n.) ~ate person. Hence **~acy**, **~ateness**, nn. [f. L *illiteratus* LITERATE]

ill'nēss, n. Unhealthy condition of body, sickness. [-NESS]

illō'gical, a. Devoid of, contrary to, logic. Hence **~ity** (-āl²) n., **~ly**² adv. [IL-]

illth, n. (rare). Evil state. [-TH¹]

illumē'(-lō-, -lū-), v.t. (poet.). Light up, make bright, (lit. & fig.). [for ILLUMINE, cf. F *illumer*]

illum'in'āte (-ō-, -ū-), v.t. Light up, whence **~ant** a. & n.; give spiritual or intellectual light to; throw light upon (subject); shed lustro upon; decorate (buildings etc.) profusely with lights as sign of festivity; decorate (initial letter in manuscript etc.) with gold, silver, & brilliant colours. So **~ation**, **~ator**², nn., **~ative** a., (-ō-, -ū-). [f. L *illuminare* f. *lumen* -*minus* light, see -ATE¹]

illumināt'i (-ō-, -ū-; also -ah'tē), n. pl. Secret society founded by Weishaupt in 1776, holding deistic & republican principles, & organized like freemasons; persons claiming to possess special enlightenment. So **illum'inism**(3), **illum'inist**(2), nn., (-ō-, -ū-). [L (as prec., see -ATE²) or IL-, whence occasional sing. -ato]

illum'ine (-ō-, -ū-), v.t. Light up; enlighten spiritually; brighten. [f. F *illuminer* (as ILLUMINATE)]

illu'sion (-lōōzhn), n. Deception, delusion; sensuous perception of an external object involving a false belief; a transparent tulle. [F f. L *illusionem* f. L *ludere* lus- play). see -ION]

illu'sion'ist (-lōōzhn-), n. One who disbelieves in objective existence, so **~ism** n.; one who produces illusions, esp. conjurer. [-IST]

illu'str'(-ō-, -ū-), a. Deceptive. Hence or cogn. **~ively**², **~orily**², adv., **~ive**², **~ority**², nn., **~ort** a. [as ILLUSION, see -IVE]

ill'ustrāt'e, v.t. Make clear, explain; make clear by examples; elucidate (description etc.) by drawings; ornament (book, newspaper, etc.) with designs. Hence **~or**² n. [f. L *illustrare* light up, prob. f. st. of *lumen* light]

illu'str'ation, n. Illustrating; example; drawing etc. illustrating book or article in paper. [F f. L *illustrationem* (prec., -ATION)]

illūs'trative, a. Serving as explanation or example (of). Hence **~ly**² (-vi-) adv. [as ILLUSTRATE, see -IVE]

illūs'trious, a. Distinguished, renowned. Hence **~ly**² adv., **~ness** n. [f. L *illustre* see ILLUSTRATE + -OUS]

im-^{1,2}, pref. = IN-^{1,2} before *b, m, p*.

im'age¹, n. Artificial imitation of the external form of an object, e.g. statue (esp. of saint etc. as object of veneration); optical counterpart produced by rays of light reflected from mirror, refracted through lens, etc.; form, semblance; counterpart, as *he is the very ~ of his father*; type; simile, metaphor; idea, conception. Hence **~less** (-ijl-) a. [F, L *imagine* (nom. -go) prob. f. same root as IMITATE]

im'age², v.t. Make an image of, portray; reflect, mirror; picture (thing to oneself); describe vividly; typify. Hence **~able** (-ija-) a. [f. prec.]

im'agery (-ij-), n. Images; statuary, carving; figurative illustration. [f. OF *imagerie* (as IMAGE¹, see -ERY)]

imā'ginable, a. That can be imagined, as *the greatest difficulty ~le, took all the trouble ~le*. Hence **~ly**² adv. [f. LL *imaginabilis* (as IMAGINE, see -BLE)]

imā'ginal, a. (entom.). Of an insect imago. [f. L as IMAGE¹ + -AL]

imā'ginari'y, a. Existing only in imagination; (Math.) having no real existence, but assumed to exist for a special purpose (e.g. square root of negative quantity). Hence **~ily**² adv. [f. L *imaginarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

imāginā'tion, n. Imagining; mental faculty forming images of external objects not present to the senses; fancy; creative faculty of the mind. [F, f. L *imaginationem* (as IMAGINE, see -ATION)]

imā'ginative (or -ātiv), a. Of, given to using, having or showing in a high degree, the faculty of imagination. Hence **~ly**² (-vi-) adv., **~ness** (-vn-) n. [OF (-if-, -ive), f. LL *imaginativus* (as prec., see -ATIVE)]

imā'gine, v.t. Form mental image of; conceive (thing, thing to be or do, *that* it is, *how*, *what*, etc.); guess, as *cannot ~ what he is doing*; suppose, be of opinion, (*that*); take into one's head (idea, *that*). [f. F *imaginer* f. L *imaginari* (as IMAGE¹)]

im'agist, n. One of a group of early 20th-c. poets who, in revolt against romanticism, seek clarity of expression through the use of precise images. [IMAGE¹ + -IST(2)]

imäg'ō, n. (pl. *-gines* pr. *-jīnēz*, *-gos*). Final & perfect stage of insect after all metamorphoses, e.g. butterfly. [mod. L sense of *imago* IMAGE¹]

imam', **imaum'**, (*-ahm*), n. Officiating priest of mosque; title of various Mohammedan leaders. Hence **imam'ATE'** (*-ahm*) n. [Arab. (*-am*) f. *ammago* before]

im'bécile (*-él*, *-il*), a. & n. 1. Mentally weak, stupid, idiotic; physically weak. 2. n. Person of weak intellect. Hence or cogn. **~LY'** (*-l-l*) adv., **imbécil'ITY** n. [f. F *imbécille* (now *-ile*) f. L *imbecillus* etym. dub.]

imbibe', v.t. Drink in, assimilate, (ideas etc.); drink (liquid); inhale (air etc.); absorb (moisture etc.). So **imbib'ition** n. [(partly thr. F *imbiber*) f. L *im'bibere bibū*-drink] conceive (opinions, drink)

im'briciâte, v.t. & i. Arrange (leaves, scales of fish, etc.), be arranged, so as to overlap like tiles. So **~ATE'** (*-ab*), **~ATIVE**, aa., **~ATION** n. [f. L *imbricare* form like a tile (*imbrex*-*icis* f. *imber* shower), **~ATE'**]

imbro'glio (*-ōlyō*), n. (pl. *~s*). Confused heap; complicated (esp. political or dramatic) situation. [It., f. *broglio*, cf. BROIL¹]

imbrue' (*-ōō*), v.t. Stain (one's hand, sword, etc., *in*, *with*, blood, slaughter, etc.). [f. OF *embreuer* moisten for EM- (*beuvrer* f. L *+biberare* f. *bibere* drink)]

imbrute', **ēm-**, (*-ōōt*), v.t. Brutalize. [IM-¹]

imbu'e, v.t. Saturate (*with*); dye (*with*); permeate, inspire, (*with* feelings etc.); = IMBRUE. [f. L *im'buere* cogn. w. *bibere* drink]

im'itâte, v.t. Follow example of; mimic; be (consciously or not) like. So **~ABL'** **ITY**, **~ATOR'**, nn., **~ABLE** a. [f. L *imitari*, see **~ATE'**]

imitâ'tion, n. Imitating (*~ is the sincerest flattery*); copy; counterfeit (often attrib., as *~ leather*); (Mus.) repetition of melody etc., usu. at different pitch, in another part or voice. [f. L *imitatio* (prec., **~ATION**)]

im'itâtive, a. Following model or example (*of*); *~ arts*, painting & sculpture; *~ word*, one that reproduces a natural sound (e.g. *fizz*) or whose sound is thought to correspond to appearances etc. of object described; counterfeit. Hence **~LY'** adv., **~NESS** n. [f. LL *imitativus* (as IMITATE, see **~ATIVE**)]

immâc'ulate, a. Pure, spotless; faultless (often iron.). *I~ Conception* (of Virgin Mary, as conceived free from taint of original sin); (Nat. Hist.) not spotted. Hence **immâc'ulacy**, **~NESS**, nn., **~LY'** adv. [f. L *im'maculatus* f. *macula* spot]

imm'anent, a. Indwelling, inherent, (*in*); (of God) permanently pervading the universe. Hence **~ENCE**, **~ENCY**, nn. [f. LL *im'manere* remain], see **~ENT**]

immatê'ial, a. Not material, incor-

poreal; unimportant. Hence **~ITY** (*-âl*) n., **~IZE(3)** v.t. [f. med. L *im'materialis MATERIAL*]

immatê'ialism, n. Doctrine that matter does not exist in itself apart from perception. So **~IST** n. [**ISM**]

immatû're, a. Not mature. So **~ITY** n. [f. L *im'maturus* MATURE]

imnea'surable (*-mêzher-*), a. Not measurable, immense. Hence **~ABL'ITY**, **~ABLENESS**, nn., **~ABLY'** adv. [IM-²]

immê'diate, a. (Of person or thing in its relation to another) not separated by any intervening medium; (of relation or action) direct, without intervening medium; (Logic) *~ inference* (from single premiss, without intervention of middle term); nearest, next, as *my ~ neighbour*; occurring at once, without delay, as *an ~ reply*. Hence **immê'd'iacy**, **~NESS** (*-tn-*), nn., **~LY'** (*-tl-*) adv. [f. med. L *im'medius* MEDIMATE]

immêmô'rial, a. Ancient beyond memory; very old. Hence **~LY'** adv. [f. med. L *im'memorialis* MEMORIAL]

immense', a. Vast, huge; (sl.) very good. Hence or cogn. **~NESS** (*-sn-*), **immêns'ITY**, nn. [F, f. L *im'mensus* p.p. of *metiri* measure] immeasurable]

immense'ly (*-sl*), adv. In an immense degree; (colloq.) very much. [**LY'**]

immêrse', v.t. Dip, plunge, (*in* liquid); put overhead in water, esp. baptize thus; bury, imbed, (*in*); involve deeply, absorb, (*in* debt, difficulties, thought, etc.). [f. L *im'mergere* mers- dip]

immêr'sion (*-shn*), n. Immersing; baptism by plunging whole person in water (cf. AFFUSION); (fig.) absorption (*in* thought etc.); (Astron.) disappearance of celestial body behind another or in its shadow; *~ heater*, electric water-heater placed in hot-water tank. [f. LL *immersio* (prec., **~ION**)]

imm'igrâte, v.i. & t. Come as settler (*into* foreign country); bring in (person) as settler. So **~ANT** a. & n., **~ATION** n. [f. L *im'migrare* MIGRATE]

imm'in'ent, a. (Of events, esp. dangers) impending, soon to happen. Hence or cogn. **~ENCE** n., **~ENTLY'** adv. [f. L *im'minere*, see EMINENT] overhang, see **~ENT**]

immis'cible, a. That cannot be mixed. Hence **~IBL'ITY** n., **~IBLY'** adv. [f. IM-³ + L *miscere* mix, see **~BLE**]

immît'igable, a. That cannot be softened or toned down. Hence **~LY'** adv. [f. L *im'mitigabilis*, see MITIGATE]

immix'ture, n. Mixing up; being involved (*in*). [f. L *im'miscere* mix- mix + URRE]

immôb'ile, a. Immovable; not mobile; motionless. So **IMMOBIL'ITY** n. [F, f. L *im'mobilis* MOBILE]

immôb'iliz'e, v.t. Fix immovably; make (troops, vehicle) incapable of being shifted; withdraw (specie) from

circulation. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *F immobiliser* (as prec., see -ISE)]

immóð'erate, a. Excessive, wanting in moderation. Hence ~LY² (-tì-) adv. [f. *L IM²(moderatus MODERATE)*]

immóð'est, a. Indecent, indelicate; forward, impudent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~Y¹ n. [f. *L IM²(modestus MODEST)*]

imm'olâte, v.t. Kill (victim) as sacrifice; (fig.) sacrifice (thing etc. to another). So ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR¹, nn. [f. *L IM²(molare sprinkle with meal (mola), sacrifice, -ATE²)*]

immó'ral, a. Opposed to morality; morally evil; vicious, dissolute. Hence **immorál'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [IM-³]

immórt'al, a. & n. 1. Undying; divine; unfading, incorruptible; famous for all time; (colloq.) constant, long-lasting. 2. n. ~ being, esp. (pl.) gods of antiquity; person esp. author of enduring fame, member of French Academy; (pl.) royal bodyguard of ancient Persia. So ~ITY (-ál-) n. [f. *L IM²(mortalis MORTAL)*]

immórt'aliz'e, v.t. Confer enduring fame upon; endow with endless life; perpetuate. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

immórt'allý, adv. Eternally; (colloq.) infinitely, very. [-LY²]

immórt'èlle, n. Composite flower of papery texture retaining colour after being dried, often used to adorn graves. [F, fem. of *immortel* IMMORTAL]

immo'veable (-móv-), a. & n. That cannot be moved; motionless; not subject to change; ~able REAST; steadfast, unyielding; emotionless; (Law, of property) consisting of land, houses, etc. (also as n. pl.). Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [IM-¹]

immüne', a. & n. Having immunity (from, against, to, poison, contagion, etc.); (n.) ~ person. [f. *L IM²(munis exempt from public burden (munus))*]

immün'itý, n. (Law) exemption (from taxation, jurisdiction, etc.); freedom (from); being proof against contagion etc. (from). [f. *L immunitas* (as prec., see -TY)]

imm'üniz'e, v.t. Render immune (against contagion). Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

immü're', v.t. Imprison; shut oneself up. Hence ~MENT (-ü'm-) n. [f. med. *L IM²(murare f. murus wall)*]

immüt'able, a. Unchangeable; not subject to variation in different cases. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. *L IM²(mutabilis MUTABLE)*]

imp¹, n. Child of the devil; little devil; mischievous child; || (arch.) child. [OE *empa* young shoot, scion, conn. w. foll.]

imp², v.t. ~ the wings of (bird), strengthen its flight; (rare) enlarge, eke out. [OE *emþian* graft, prob. f. Gk *emphuo*, cf. *F emier* (see ~empter)]

imp'äkt¹, n. Striking (on, against), collision. [f. *L impingere* -past-IMPINGE]

impäct'¹, v.t. Press, fix, firmly (into, in). So **impäc'tion** n. [prob. back formation f. *impacted* f. *L p.p.* as prec. + -ED¹]

impair', v.t. Damage; weaken. So ~MENT n. [f. OF *empier* f. *L IM²(pejorare f. pejor worse)* make worse]

impäle', v.t. Transfix (body etc. upon, with, stake etc., esp. as form of capital punishment); (Her.) combine (two coats of arms) by placing side by side on one shield separated by vertical line down middle; || (rare) fence in with stakes. So ~MENT (-lm-) n. [f. *F empaler* f. med. *L IM²(palare f. palus stake)*]

impälp'able, a. Imperceptible to the touch; not easily grasped by the mind, intangible. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. med. *L IM²(palpabilis PALPABLE)*]

impä'l'üdism, n. Morbid state, with tendency to intermittent fevers & enlargement of spleen, found in dwellers in marshes. [f. *IM-¹* + *L palus* -udis marsh + -ISM]

impän'ate (or *Im'pa-*), a. (Of the body of Christ) contained in the bread after consecration. So **impana'tion** n. [f. med. *L IM²(panare f. panis bread)*, see -ATE²]

mpanel. See **EMPAANEL**.

impä'radise, ém-, v.t. Bring into state of supreme happiness; ravish; make a paradise of (place, state). [IM-¹]

impärisýlläb'ic, a. & n. (Gk & Lat. Gram.). (Noun) that has more syllables in genitive than in nominative. [f. *L IM²(par equal)* + SYLLABIC]

impärk', v.t. Enclose (beasts) in park; enclose (land) for park. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. OF *em*(*parquer* f. *parc* PARK)]

impärt', v.t. Give share of (thing to person etc.); communicate (news etc. to). Hence ~A'TION, ~MENT, nn. [f. OF *empartir* f. *L IM²(partire PART²)*]

impär'tial (-shal), a. Not partial, unprejudiced, fair. Hence ~ITY (-shal-) n., ~LY² (-shal-) adv. [IM-¹]

impär'tible, a. (Of estate) not divisible. [f. *LL IM²(partibilis PARTIBLE)*]

impass'able (-pah-), a. That cannot be traversed. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn. [IM-¹]

impasse' (-ahs; or *änpahs'*), n. Blind alley; position from which there is no escape. [F (IM-² + *passer* PASS¹)]

impäss'ible, a. Incapable of feeling or emotion; incapable of suffering injury; not subject to suffering. Hence ~IBIL'ITY, ~IBLENES, nn., ~IBLY² adv. [f. ecol. *L IM²(passibilis PASSIBLE)*]

impä'ssion (-shn), v.t. Stir the passions of, excite strongly, (chiefly in p.p.). [f. It. *im*(*passionare* f. *passione* PASSION)]

impä'ssive, a. Deficient in feeling or emotion; serene; without sensation; not subject to suffering. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **impä'ssiv'ity**, nn. [IM-¹]

impäste', v.t. Enclose (as) with paste; make into a paste; paint by laying on

colours thickly. [f. It. *IM*⁴(*pastare* f. *pasta* PASTE)]

impās'tō, n. (paint.). Laying on of colour thickly. [It., as prec.]

impā'tient (-shent), a. Not enduring with composure; intolerant of; restlessly desirous (for thing, to do). Hence or cogn. ~*EN* (-shens) n., ~*ENTLY*² (-shent-) adv. [OF, f. L *IM*⁴(*patientem* part. of *pati* suffer)]

impawn', v.t. Put in pawn; (fig.) pledge, plight. [IM⁻¹]

impay'able (or *ānpāyah'bl*), a. Beyond price; (colloq.) going beyond ordinary limits. [F (IM⁻³)]

impeach', v.t. Call in question, disparage, (character etc.); accuse (person) of, charge (*with*); find fault with (thing); accuse of treason or other high crime before competent tribunal. Hence ~*ABLE* a. [f. OF *empechie* impede f. L *IM*⁴(*pedicare* f. *pedica* fetter, f. *pes* *pedis* foot) entangle]

impeach'ment, n. Calling in question; accusation, esp. (Joc.) *the soft* ~ (Sheridan, *Rivals* v. iii); accusation & prosecution for treason etc. [f. OF *empechement* (as prec., see -MENT)]

impēcc'able, a. Not liable to sin; (of things) faultless. Hence or cogn. ~*ABLY*² n., ~*ABLY*³ adv., ~*ANT* a. [f. L *IM*⁴(*peccabilis* f. *peccare* sin, see -BLE)]

impēcū'nious, a. Having little or no money. Hence ~*OS'ITY* n. [f. IM⁻³ + obs. *pecuniosus* f. L *pecuniosus* (*pecunia* money f. *pecu* cattle, see -OUS)]

impēd'ance, n. (electr.). Total virtual resistance of electric circuit to alternating current, arising from the resistance & the reactance of the conductor. [f. foll. + -ANCE]

impēde', v.t. Retard, hinder. [f. L *IM*¹(*pedire* f. *pes* foot) lit. shackle the feet of]

impēd'iment, n. Hindrance, obstruction; ~ (in one's speech), stammer; (pl., also L *impedimen'ta*) baggage, esp. of army. Hence ~*AL* (-ēnt) a. [f. L *impedimentum* (as prec., see -MENT)]

impēl', v.t. (-il-). Drive, force, (person etc. to action, to do); drive forward, propel. So ~*ENT* a. & n. [f. L *IM*¹(*pellere* *puls-* drive)]

impēnd', v.i. Hang, be suspended, (*over*); (fig., of danger) hang threateningly (*over*); be imminent. So **impēn'dence**, -*ENCY*, nn., **impēn'dent** a. [f. L *IM*¹(*pendere* hang)]

impēn'ētrable, a. That cannot be penetrated; inscrutable, unfathomable; impervious (*to, by* ideas etc.); (Nat. Phil.) having that property in virtue of which two bodies cannot occupy same place at same time. So ~*ABLY*² n., ~*ABLY*³ adv., ~*ABLENESS*, nn., ~*ABLY*³ adv. [f. F *impenétrable* f. L *IM*⁴(*penetrabilis* PENETRABLE)]

impēn'ētrāte, v.t. Penetrate deeply. [IM⁻¹]

impēn'tient, a. Not penitent. Hence or

cogn. ~*ENCE*, ~*ENCY*, nn., ~*ENTLY*³ adv. [f. L *IM*⁴(*penitens* PENITENT)]

impē'rative, a. & n. 1. (Gram.) expressing command; commanding, peremptory; urgent; obligatory. 2. n. ~ mood, whence **impērativ'AL** a. Hence ~*LY*³ (-vī-) adv., ~*NESS* (-vī-) n. [f. L *IM*⁴(*imperativus* f. *IM*⁴(*parare* = *parare* make ready) command, -IVE)]

impērat'or, n. (Rom. Hist.). Commander (title conferred by salutation of soldiers on victorious general, under the Republic); emperor. So **impēratōr'IAL** a. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

impercēp'tible, a. That cannot be perceived; very slight, gradual, or subtle. Hence ~*LY*³ adv. [F, f. med. L *IM*⁴(*perceptibilis* PERCEPTIBLE)]

impercip'ient, a. Lacking perception. [IM⁻³]

im'perence, n. (Form, ascribed to illiterate speakers, of) impudence. [corrupt.]

impērf'ect, a. & n. 1. Not fully formed or done, incomplete; faulty; (Gram.) ~ *tenses*, those that denote action going on but not completed (e.g. *he is, he will be, singing*, but usu. of past time, as *he was singing*). 2. n. ~ tense. Hence ~*LY*³ adv. [f. F *imparfait* f. L *IM*⁴(*perfectus* PERFECT), refash. on L]

imperfēc'tion, n. Incompleteness; faultiness; fault, blemish. [f. L *imperfectio* (as prec., see -ION)]

impērf'orate, a. Not perforated, esp. (Anat.) lacking the normal opening (also of sheet of postage-stamps or single stamp). [IM⁻³]

impēr'ial, a. & n. 1. Of an empire or sovereign state ranking with an empire. 2. Of Great Britain, as dist. from its constituent kingdoms etc.; ~ *federation*, proposed adjustment of British Empire, giving colonies share in control & cost of measures taken for joint interest; f. ~ *Institute*, building in London devoted to promoting trade between parts of the Empire; ~ *preference*, taxing of imports from parts of the Empire at lower rates than those from foreign countries. 3. Of an emperor; supreme in authority; majestic, august; magnificent. 4. (Of weights & measures used by statute in U.K.) ~ *gallon*, *acre*, etc.; (of paper) 22 × 32 in. 5. n. Small part of beard left growing beneath lower lip (from Napoleon III); trunk for luggage, adapted for roof of coach; Russian tsarist gold coin = .15 silver roubles. Hence ~*LY*³ adv. [OF, f. L *imperialis* (IMPERIUM, see -AL)]

impēr'ialism, n. Rule of an emperor; extension of British Empire where trade requires protection of the flag; union of different parts of British Empire for purposes of warlike defence, internal commerce, etc.; belief in value of colonies & dependencies (cf. *Uxia Anglicanum*). So ~*IST* n., ~*ISM*(5) v.t. [-ISM]

impér'ialist, n. Adherent of an emperor, esp. (1600-1800) of German Emperor; advocate of imperial rule, esp. adherent of Bonaparte family; advocate of (British) imperialism. [-IST]

impér'il, v.t. (-il-). Bring into danger. [IM-¹]

impér'ious, a. Overbearing, domineering; urgent, imperative. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *imperiōsus* (as IMPERIUM, see -OUS)]

impér'ish|able, a. That cannot perish. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [IM-²]

impér'ium (or -pér'it), n. Absolute power; empire; ~ *in imperio*, supreme authority within jurisdiction of another authority. [L = command, dominion]

impér'man|ent, a. Not permanent. Hence ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn. [IM-²]

impér'm'é|able, a. That cannot be passed through; (Physics) that does not permit passage of fluids. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n. [f. LL *im'permeabilis* PERMEABLE]

impermis'sible, a. Not permissible. [IM-²]

imperscrip'tible, a. Not backed by written authority. [f. IM-² + L *PER* (*scribere script*- write) register, see -BLE]

impér'sonal, a. (Gram.) ~ *verb*, one used only in 3rd sing. (e.g. *it rains*); having no personality or personal reference or tone. Hence ~ITY (-it) n., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *im'personalis* PERSONAL]

impér'son|âte, v.t. Represent in bodily form, personify; play the part of, personate; act (character). Hence ~A'TION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. IM-¹ + L *persona* PERSON + -ATE²]

impér'son|ify, v.t. Personify. [IM-¹]

impért'in|ent, a. Insolent, saucy; intrusive; out of place, absurd; not to the point. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *im'pertinens* PERTINENT]

imperturb|able, a. Not excitable, calm. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [IM-²]

impér'v'ious, a. Not affording passage (to); (fig.) ~ (deaf) to argument etc. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *im'pervius* PERVIOUS]

impétig'ô, n. Contagious pustular disease of skin. So **impét'i|ginous** a. [L, gen. -*ptnis*, f. IM'(*petere* seek) assail, cf. *verigo*]

im'pétr|âte, v.t. (Theol.) obtain by request; (rare) ask for. So ~A'TION n., ~ATOR² a. [f. L *im'petrare* = *patrare* bring to pass, see -ATE²]

impét'uous, a. Moving violently or rapidly; acting with rash or sudden energy. Hence or cogn. **impét'uous|ry**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. F *impétueux* f. L *impetuosus* (as foll., see -OUS)]

im'pétus, n. (pl. ~es). Force with which a body moves; (fig.) moving force, impulse. [L = assault, force, f. IM'(*petere* seek) assail]

im'peyan (-pian), a. ~ *pheasant*, E.-Indian pheasant, with crested head & brilliant plumage. (Sir Elijah Impey, 1787)

im'pi, n. Body of Kafir warriors. [Zulu]

impi'ety, n. Ungodliness; want of dutifulness or reverence. [f. L *im'pietas* PIETY]

impinge' (-j), v.i. & t. Make impact (on, upon); (trans.; arch.) make (thing) do this. Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n. [f. L *im'pingere* = *pangere* fix, drive] drive (thing) at]

im'pious, a. Not pious, wicked, profane. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *im'pius* PIUS]

im'pish, a. Of, like, an imp. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

impit'eous, a. (poet.). Pitiless. [IM-²]

implac'able (or -lāk-), a. That cannot be appeased. Hence or cogn. ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [F, f. L *im'placabilis* PLACABLE]

implacén'tal, a. With no placenta. [IM-²]

implant' (-ahnt), v.t. Insert, infix, (in); instil (principle, idea, etc., in mind etc.); plant. Hence ~A'TION (-ahn-) n. [f. F *im'planter* PLANT]

implédge', v.t. Put in pledge, pawn. [IM-¹]

im'plément¹, n. Article of furniture, dress, etc., (pl.) equipment of these; tool, instrument, (esp. in pl.); || (Sc. Law) full performance. (prob. f. L *implementum*, in senso 'that which serves to stock a house etc.' f. IM'(*plere* fill), see -MENT]

im'plément², v.t. Complete (contract etc.); fulfil (engagement); fill up, supplement. [f. prec.]

implé'tion, n. Filling; fullness. [f. LL *impletio* f. IM'(*plere* plet- fill), see -ION]

im'plicate¹, n. Thing implied. [f. L *im'plicare* plicat- or plicat- fold, see -ATE²]

im'plic|âte², v.t. Entwine, entangle; involve, imply, as inference, so ~ATIVE a.; involve (person in charge, crime, etc.); (pass.) be affected in (a thing's operation). So ~A'TION n. [as prec., see -ATE²]

impli'cit, a. Implied though not plainly expressed; virtually contained (in); ~ *faith* (not independently reached by the individual, but involved in general belief of Church, absolute, unreserved, cf. EXPLICIT). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [(perh. thr. F) as IMPLICATE¹]

implōr'e, v.t. Beg earnestly for; entreat (person to do). Hence ~INGLY² adv., ~INGNESS n. [f. L *im'plorare* weep]

impluv'ium (-plōv-), n. (Rom. Ant.). Square basin in middle of atrium receiving rain-water from open space in roof. [L, f. IM'(*pluere* rain)]

imply', v.t. Involve the truth of (thing not expressly asserted, that); mean; insinuate, hint. Hence **impli'edly**² adv. [f. OF *emplier* (as IMPLICATE, cf. EMPLOY)]

impöld'er, v.t. Make a POLDER of; reclaim from sea. [IM-¹ + POLDER]

impól'icý, n. Bad policy; inexpediency. [IM-¹]

impolite', a. (-est). Uncivil, rude. Hence ~LY² (-tly) adv., ~NESS (-ltn) n. [f. L IM²(*politus* POLITE)]

impól'itic, a. Not politic; inexpedient. Hence ~LY² adv. [IM-²]

impón'derable, a. & n. 1. (Physics) having no weight; very light; (fig.) that cannot be estimated. 2. n. ~ thing (esp. fig., pl., of qualities, emotions, etc.). [IM-²]

impón'ent, a. & n. (Person) that imposes a duty etc. [f. L IM²(*ponere* place) lay on, see -ENT]

impórt'¹, v.t. Bring, introduce, (thing, esp. goods from foreign country, info), whence ~ABLE a., ~AMIL'ITY, ~A'TION, ~ER¹, nn.; imply, indicate, mean, (thing, that); express, make known, (that); be of consequence to, as questions that ~ us nearly, it ~s us to know. [f. L IM²(*portare* carry) bring in, in med. L = be of consequence]

imp'órt², n. What is implied, meaning; importance; (usu. pl.) commodity imported; importation. [f. prec.]

impórt'ance, n. Being important; weight, significance; personal consequence, dignity; pompousness (usu. self-~). [f. f. med. L *importanti* (as IMPORT¹, see -ANCE)]

impórt'ant, a. Carrying with it great consequence (to person concerned or purpose etc.), weighty, momentous; consequential, pompous. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. f. med. L as IMPORT¹, see -ANT]

impórt'unate, a. Persistent, pressing, in solicitation; (of affairs) urgent. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., impórt'un'ITY n. [f. L IM²(*portunus* f. *portus* port) inconvenient, -ATE²]

impórtune' (or impórt⁴), v.t. Solicit pressingly (person or abs.). [f. F *importuner* f. med. L *importunari* (as prec.)]

impós'e' (-z), v.t. & i. (Arch.) place (thing) upon; (Print.) lay (pages of type) in proper order & secure them in a chase; lay (tax, duty, charge, obligation, upon); palm off (thing upon person); exert influence (on person) by striking character or appearance, whence ~ingly² adv., ~ingness n., (-z); ~e upon, take advantage of (person); practise deception (upon). [f. F IM²(*poser*, cf. COMPOSE)]

imposi'tion (-z), n. In vbl senses of IMPOSE; also or esp.: laying on of hands (in ordination etc.); impost, tax, duty; piece of deception or overcharge; || work set as punishment at school (colloq. abbr. *impo*, *impos*). [f. L *impositio* f. IM²(*ponere* posit-place), -ION]

impóss'ible, a. Not possible (often w. it as subj., as it is ~ble to alter them); (loosely) not easy, not convenient; (colloq.) outrageous, intolerable, as ~ble hat, person. Hence or cogn.

~IBIL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L IM²(*possibilis* POSSIBLE)]

im'póst¹, n. (Hist.) tax, duty, tribute; (Racing sl.) weight horse carries in handicap. [OF, f. med. L IM²(*ponere post*(ix-place))]

im'póst², n. Upper course of pillar, bearing arch. [f. F *imposte* f. It. *imposta* (as prec.)]

impós'tor, n. One who assumes a false character or passes himself off for someone else; swindler. Hence ~rous a. [f. F *imposteur* f. LL *impostor* (as IMPOST¹, see -OR²)]

impós'tume, -thume (-tüm), n. (now rare). Purulent swelling, abscess, (lit. & fig.). [f. OF *empostume* f. Gk *apos(t)ēma* f. *sta*-stand, -M)]

impós'ture, n. Fraudulent deception. [f. f. LL *impostura* (IMPOST¹, -URE)]

|| im'pót. See IMPOSITION.

im'potent, a. Powerless; helpless, decrepit; (of males) wholly lacking in sexual power. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently² adv. [f. f. L IM²(*potens* POTENT)]

impound', v.t. Shut up (cattle) in pound; shut up (person, thing) as in pound; take legal possession of; confiscate. [IM-¹]

impóv'erish, v.t. Make poor; exhaust strength of. So ~MENT n. [f. OF *em-poverir* f. *poivre* POOR, see -ISH²]

imprác'ticable, a. Impossible in practice; (of persons or things) unmanageable; (of roads etc.) impassable. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ableness, nn., ~ably² adv. [IM-²]

im'préc'âte, v.t. Invoke, call down, (evil upon person etc.). So ~A'TION n. (esp., spoken curse), ~ATORY a. [f. L IM²(*precari* pray)]

imprég'n'able, a. (Of fortress etc.) that cannot be taken by arms; (fig.) proof against attack. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ably² adv. [f. F IM²(*prenable* f. *prendre* take f. L *prehendere*); -g- in limit. of *reign*, *deign*, etc.]

imprég'nate¹, a. Pregnant (lit. & fig.); permeated (with). [f. LL IM²(*prægnare* be pregnant), see -ATE²]

imprég'nâte², v.t. Make (female) pregnant; (Biol.) fecundate (female reproductive cell or ovum); fill, saturate, (with); imbue, fill, (with feelings, moral qualities, etc.). Hence ~A'TION n. [as prec., see -ATE²]

impréss'io, n. (pl. ~s). Organizer of public entertainments, esp. manager of operatic or concert company. [It. (*impressa* undertaking, as EMPRESS, see -ARY²)]

impréscrip'tible, a. Not subject to prescription, that cannot be legally taken away, esp. ~right. [f. IM-²]

im'préss², n. Stamping; mark made by seal, stamp, etc.; (fig.) characteristic mark. [f. foll.]

impréss³, v.t. Apply (mark etc.) with pressure, imprint, stamp, (on); imprint,

enforce, (idea etc., *that, what, etc.*, on person, his mind); mark (thing with stamp etc. lit. & fig.); affect, influence, deeply, whence ~IBLE a., ~IBLITY n.; affect (person) strongly (with idea etc.). [f. L *im*¹(*primere* = *premere* PRESS²)]

imprẽss², v.t. Force (men) to serve in army or navy; seize (goods etc.) for public service; enlist, make use of, (thing) in argument etc. Hence ~MENT n. [IM¹ + PRESS²]

imprẽssion (-shn), n. Impressing (of mark); mark impressed; print taken from type or engraving; (printing of) number of copies forming one issue of book, edition, (also, unaltered reprint from standing type or plates, as opp. to *edition*); effect produced (esp. on mind or feelings); notion, (vague) belief, impressed on the mind, as *that is my ~, I was under the ~ that*. [F, f. L *impressio* (as IMPRESS², see -ION)]

imprẽssionable (-shon-), a. Susceptible of impressions, easily influenced. Hence ~ABILITY n. [F (*impressionner*, as prec., see -ABLE)]

imprẽssionism (-shon-), n. Method of painting or writing so as to give general tone & effect without elaborate detail, or (in painting, opp. *pre-Raphaelitism*) with details so treated as to be apprehended simultaneously, & not successively with changes of focus. So ~ARY¹, ~IS'tic, aa., ~IST n. [-ISM]

imprẽssive, a. (Of language, scenes, etc.) able to excite deep feeling. Hence ~LY² (-vly) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [-IVE]

imprẽst, n. Money advanced to person to be used in State business. [earlier *prest* n. & v.; It. has *im*¹(*prestare* = L *praestare* be surety for, fulfil) lend, *impresto* loan]

imprẽntis¹, n. Official licence to print (now usu. of works sanctioned by R.-C. Church); (fig.) sanction. [mod. L, = let it be printed]

imprẽntis, adv. In the first place. [L, = *in primis* among the first things]

imprint¹, n. Impression, stamp, (lit. & fig.); *publisher's, printer's*, ~ (name, place etc.), on title-page or at end of book. [f. F *empreinte* stamp (as foll.)]

imprint², v.t. Stamp (figure etc. on); impress (idea etc. on, in, mind etc.); impress (quality etc. on, in); stamp (thing with figure). [f. OF *empreinter* f. *emprẽindre* f. pop. L *im*¹(*primere* press)]

impris¹on (-z), v.t. Put into prison; (fig.) confine, shut up. So ~MENT (-z) n. [f. OF *em*(*prisoner* f. *PRISON*)]

imprõb¹able, a. Not likely to be true or to happen. Hence ~ABILITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L *im*¹(*probabilis* PROBABLE)]

imprõb²ity, n. Wickedness; dishonesty. [f. L *improbatus* f. *im*¹(*probus* honest), see -TY]

imprõv¹is, adv., n., & a. Extempore (performance, composition); musical com-

position having character of improvisation. [= L in *promptu* in readiness (*promere*, see PROMPT)]

imprõp¹er, a. Inaccurate, wrong; ~ *fraction* (greater than 1, with nu greater than denominator); indecent. Hence ~LY² adv. [IM¹]

|| **imprõp**²riãte, v.t. Annex (eccl. benefice) to corporation or person property; place (tithes, ecclesiast. property) in lay hands. So ~ATE² (-at) a., ~A'TION n. [f. med. or mod. L *im*¹(*propriare* f. *proprius* own), see -ATE²]

|| **imprõp**³riãtor, n. One to whom benefice is impropiated. [as prec., see -OR²]

impropri¹ety, n. Incorrectness; unfitness; indecency. [f. L *im*¹(*proprietas* PROPRIETY)]

improv¹able (-õv-), a. That can be improved; adapted for cultivation. Hence ~ABILITY, ~ableness, nn. [-ABLE]

improve¹ (-õv), v.t. & i. Make, become, better; ~ *away*, get rid of by improvements; make good use of (*the occasion, the opportunity*); ~ *upon*, produce something better than; preach on (*the occasion*) with a view to edification. So ~MENT (-õvm-) n., (also) addition, alteration, etc., that adds to the value (of lands, houses, etc.). [f. AF *em*(*prover* f. OF *prou* profit, = L *pro* prep. used as n.)]

improv²er (-õv-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: one who works at trade for low wage or none to improve his skill; = DRESS-². [-ER¹]

improv³ident, a. Unforeseeing; heedless; thriftless. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [IM¹]

improv⁴isãtor (-z), **imprõv**(v)isãtor^e (-vẽzah-tõrẽ), n. (It. pl. -orì, pron. -õrẽ). One who improvises or composes extempore. So **imprõv**(v)isãtrĩc^e (-vẽzah-trẽch'ã) [-TRIX] n. [It. (-z), as IMPROVISE, see -OR¹]

improvise¹ (-z; also *im*¹), v.t. Compose, utter, (verse, music, etc., or abs.) extempore; provide, get up, extempore. Hence **imprõvis**¹ATION n., **imprõvisãtor**¹IAL, **imprõvis**¹ATORY, aa., (-z). [f. F *improviser* f. It. *imprõv*(v)isãre f. *imprõv*(v)isã f. L *im*¹(*provisus* p.p. as PROVIDE)]

imprud¹ent (-rõb-), a. Rash, indiscreet. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *im*¹(*prudens* PRUDENT)]

im¹pũd¹ent, a. Shamelessly forward; unblushing; insolently disrespectful. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *im*¹(*puđens* *puđere* be ashamed, -ENT)]

impũd¹ĩcĩty, n. Shamelessness, immodesty. [f. F *impudĩcĩtẽ* f. L *im*¹(*puđicus* as prec.), -TY]

impugn¹ (-ũn), v.t. Assail by word, call in question, (statement, action). Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n., (-ũn-). [f. F *impugner* f. L *im*¹(*pugnare* fight) assail]

impũ¹isãnt, a. Impotent, weak. So ~ANCE n. [F (IM¹ + PUissant)]

im'pūlse, n. Impelling, push; (Dynam.) indefinitely large force enduring inappreciably short time but producing finite momentum, e.g. blow of hammer, (also) product of average value of force multiplied by time during which it acts; mental incitement; sudden tendency to act without reflection; impetus. [f. L *impulsus* -ūs (as IMPEL)]

impū'sion (-shn), n. Impelling, push; mental impulse; impetus. [F, f. L *impulsio* (as IMPEL, see -ION)]

impū'sive, a. Tending to impel; (of persons, conduct, etc.) apt to be moved, prompted, by sudden impulse. Hence ~LY² (-vī-) adv.; ~NESS (-vū-) n. [f. med. L *impulsivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

impū'nity, n. Exemption from punishment, esp. with ~; exemption from injury as consequence of act. [f. L *impunitas* f. *im'punis* f. *poena* penalty, see -TY]

impū're, a. Dirty; unchaste; mixed with foreign matter, adulterated, (lit. & fig.); (of colour) mixed with another colour. Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-rī-) adv., **impū'rite** n. [f. L *im'purus* PURB]

impū're, v.t. Attribute, ascribe, (fault etc., rarely good quality etc., to person etc.); (Theol.) ascribe (righteousness, guilt, to person) by vicarious substitution. So ~ABIL'ITY, ~A'TION, nn., ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa., ~ATIVELY² adv. [f. F *imputer* f. L *im'putare* reckon] enter in the account]

in¹, prep. expr. inclusion or position within limits of space, time, circumstance, etc., as: *in Europe, England, London* (so of any large city or of town etc. in which speaker lives, cf. AT), *in the house, a box, a cab, a pond, a crowd*; (of dress etc.) *in muslin, mourning, white, brown boots*; *in* (the works of) *Thackeray*; (of part affected) *blind in one eye*; (of ratio) *not one in a hundred*; (of body etc. to which one belongs etc.) *in the army, shares in a company*; (of non-physical regions) *in politics, fancy, my opinion*; (of situation, often idiomatic) *in CLOVER, HOT water, fetters, leading-strings, the DARK², health, hope* (of), *sorrow, CALF, in* (supplied with) *cash, in* (under influence of) *liquor*; (of occupation) *in search of, in pursuance of, in* (while) *crossing the river*; (of form or arrangement) *packed in dozens, sold in building-plots, falling in folds, in ORDER¹ (2) to or that*; (of instrument or material) *drank his health in a cup of ale, the coat was in green velvet*; (of purpose) *in reply to, in quest of, in honour of*; (of time) *in* (during) *the day, in* (within the space of) *three months, in* (at the end of) *five minutes*; *in itself*, apart from all else, absolutely; (colloq.) *the latest thing in* (within the sphere of) *telephones*; (of person's capacity etc.) *as far as in me lies, did not think he had it in him* (was capable of it); *not in it, not in the running, not a serious*

competitor; nothing, little, not much, in it, (Racing sl.) no decided advantage as yet gained by any competitor, no guessing who will win; (with vbs of motion or change) *put it in your pocket, cut it in half, throw it in the fire*; (expr. relation of vb to indirect object), *believe in, trust in, share in, engage in, rejoice in*; (so with adj.), & nn.) *weak in* (as regards) *algebra, wanting in courage, your trust in him, a change in the constitution*; (of number or dimension) *seven in number, four feet in width*; (forming adv. phr.) *in fact, in truth, in honour, in any case; in so (or as) far as, in such measure as; in that, since, because*. [com.-Teut.: OE, OSax., OHG, Goth., *in*, Swed., Da., f.; cogn. w. L *in*, Gk *en*]

in², adv. expr. position bounded by certain limits or motion to a point enclosed by them, as: *come in, send him in, walk in*, (into house, enclosed ground, etc.), *put a notice in* (into a paper), *lock him in, he is in* (the house etc., esp. = at home); *in with it, put, take, it in; throw in the harness* (to the bargain, in addition); *a coat with the woolly side in* (nearest the body); *the Liberals were in* (office); *short skirts, oysters, are in* (in fashion or season); (Crick.) *before he had been in* (batting) *five minutes; keep the fire in* (burning); *train, boat, summer, is in* (arrived); (with trans. vbs) *burn, cut, rub, (thing) in* (so as to penetrate into another), *hem, cover, wall, (thing) in* (so as to enclose it); *in for*, involved in, committed to, (usu. something unpleasant, esp. it), also, engaged in competition for (race, prize, etc.); *be, keep, in* (on friendly terms) *with; breed in & in* (repeatedly within same stock); *in & out, now in, now out, to & fro*, with alternation or oscillation. [com.-Teut.: OE, OSax., OHG]

in³, a. Internal, living etc. inside, as *in patient, in-patient*, one who remains in hospital while under treatment. [prec. used attrib.]

in⁴, n. (Pl.) political party in office; *ins & outs, turnings to & fro* (usu. fig.), details (of procedure etc.). [f. IN²]

in⁵, prep. (L). *In abscē'tia*, in (his or her) absence; *in articulo mort'is*, in the instant of death; *in CAMERA*; *in commē'tam*, as a charge or trust (of beneficence pending appointment of regular incumbent, or of its revenue enjoyed by layman etc.); *in contū'mā'ciām* (-shī-), in contempt of court; *in ess'e*, in actual existence, cf. *in posse; in extē'n'sō*, at full length; *in extē'n'sis*, at the point of death; *in flagrant'is delict'is*, in the very act of committing an offence; *in fōrm'a paup'oris*, as poor person not liable to costs; *in loc'ō parē'n'tis*, in place of a parent; *in mē'd'is rē's*, into the thick of it; *in mē'mō'riam*, in memory of; *in nō'b'ibus*, in the clouds, vague, speculative; *in pō't'ibus* (the-fid'ibus), (of Rom. Cath. titular bishop)

in a heretical country; *in pōss'é*, potentially, opp. to *in esse*; *in prōp'ria pēr'sōn'a*, in his (her) own person; *in pūr'is nūl'ral'ibus*, stark naked; *in rē*; *in sil'ū*, in its (original) place; *in stāt'ū pāp'illū'i*, under guardianship; *in stāt'ū quō*, in the same state (as formerly); *in tērrō'rēm*, as a warning; *in tōt'ō*, completely; *in vlt'rō*, (in laboratory use) in a test-tube etc. (lit. in glass).

in-¹, pref. = L *in* in, on, into, towards, against (becoming *il-* before *l*, *im-* before *b*, *m*, *p*, *ir-* before *r*). In OF *in-*, *im-*, became *en-*, *em-*; E has usu. *in-*, *im-*, in wds obviously of L orig., whether thr. F or otherwise. Words that still retain both forms are given in this dictionary under the more usual form.

in-², pref. = L *in-* (*il-* etc. as prec.), cogn. w. Gk *an-*, com.-Teut. *un-*, prefixed to adj. & their derivatives to express negation. As living E pref., *in-* often interchanges with *un-*, which is preferred in wds not obviously answering to L types (*unavailing*, *uncertain*, *undevout*).

in-, suf. (chem.) forming names of neutral substances such as glycerides, glucosides, proteins, etc. (*albumin*, *casein*, *fibrin*, *gelatin*) to distinguish them from names of alkaloids & basic substances in *-ine*³. Some wds of this class were formerly spelt *-ine*, & are still so spelt in pop. use (*margarine*, *gelatine*).

-ina¹, L fem. suf. found in *regina*, extended in It. or Sp. & used in E to form fem. titles (*czarina*) & proper names (*Georgina*); occurring also in names of musical instruments (*concertina*, *seraphina*).

-ina², suf., neut. pl. of (often mod.) L adj., used, in agreement with *animalia* animals understood, to form names of groups of animals related to some typical genus, as *Bombycina* (genus *Bombyx*).

inabil'ity, n. Being unable; lack of power or means. [IN-²]

inaccess'ible (-ks-), a. That cannot be reached; (of persons) not open to advances, unapproachable. Hence **inab'ility** n., **~ibly**² adv. [F, f. LL *in*²(*accessibilis* ACCESSIBLE)]

inacc'urate, a. Not accurate. Hence **~acy** n., **~ately**² adv. [IN-²]

inact'ion, n. Absence of action; sluggishness, inertness. So **~ive** a., **~ively**² adv., **~iv'ity** n. [IN-²]

inadaptabil'ity, n. Want of adaptability. [IN-²]

inad'equale, a. Not adequate (to purpose, to do); insufficient. Hence **~acy** n., **~ately**² adv. [IN-²]

inadhes'ive (-h-), a. Not adhesive. [IN-²]

inadmiss'ible, a. That cannot be admitted or allowed. Hence **~ib'ility** n. [IN-²]

inadvert'ent, a. Not properly attentive; negligent; (of actions) unintentional.

Hence or cogn. **~ENCE**, **~ENCY**, nn., **~ently**² adv. [IN-² + obs. *adver'tent* ADVERT]

inal'ien'able, a. Not alienable. Hence **~abil'ity** n., **~ably**² adv. [IN-²]

inal'ter'able (-awl-), a. Unalterable. Hence **~abil'ity** n., **~ably**² adv. [IN-²]

ināmora'tō (-rah-), n. (fem. -ta). Lover. [It. (now *inn-*) f. *IN*¹(*amurare* f. *amare* I. L *amor* love) enamour]

ināne¹, a. & n. Empty, void, silly; senseless; (n.) *the* ~, vacuity, infinite space. Hence or cogn. **~LY**² (-nl-) adv., **inān'ity** n. [f. L *inanis* empty, vain]

inān'imate, a. Destitute of life; not endowed with animal life, as **~nature** (outside the animal world); spiritless, dull. Hence or cogn. **~LY**² adv., **inānimā'tion** n. [f. LL *IN*²(*animalus* ANIMATE¹)]

inani'tion, n. Emptiness, esp. from want of nourishment. [f. L *inanitio* f. *inanire* make empty (as INANE, see -ION)]

inappeas'able (-z-), a. Not appeasable. [IN-²]

inappell'able, a. Not to be appealed against. [f. *IN*² + L *appellare* APPEAL + -BLE]

inapp'etence, n. Want of appetite. [IN-²]

inapp'licable, a. Not applicable, unsuitable, (to case, purpose). Hence **~abil'ity** n., **~ably**² adv. [IN-²]

inapp'osite, a. Not apposite, out of place. Hence **~LY**² adv. [IN-²]

inappr'e'ciable (-sha-), a. Imperceptible, not worth reckoning; that cannot be appreciated. Hence **~LY**² adv. [IN-²]

inappr'ecia'tion, n. Failure to appreciate. So **inappr'e'ciative** (-sha-) a. [IN-²]

inappr'ehen'sible, a. That cannot be grasped by senses or intellect. [IN-²]

inapproach'able, a. Unapproachable. [IN-²]

inapprōp'riate, a. Not appropriate. Hence **~LY**² adv., **~NESS** n. [IN-²]

ināpt', a. Unfit, unskillful. Hence **ināp'titude**, **~NESS**, nn., **~LY**² adv. [IN-²]

inārch', v.t. Graft by connecting growing branch without separation from parent stock. [IN-¹ + ARCH v.]

inārm', v.t. (poet.). Embrace. [IN¹ + ARM¹]

inārtic'ulate, a. Not jointed; (of speech) not articulate; unable to speak distinctly; dumb. Hence **~LY**² adv., **~NESS** n. [f. L *in*²(*articulatus* ARTICULATE)]

inārtific'ial (-shal), a. Lacking in art, inartistic; artless, natural. Hence **~LY**² adv. [f. L *IN*²(*artificialis* ARTIFICIAL)]

inārtis'tic, a. Not following the principles of art; unskilled in art. Hence **~ICALLY** adv. [IN-²]

inasmūch' (-az-), adv. **~ as**, since, because; (arch.) in so far as. [orig. three wds]

inattēn'tion, n. Want of attention, heedlessness; neglect to show courtesy. So **~ive** a., **~ively**² adv., **~iveness** n. [IN-²]

inaud'ible, a. That cannot be heard. Hence ~IBL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L IN²(*audibilis* AUDIBLE)]

inaug'ural, a. & n. Of inauguration; *(n.) ~ speech or address. [F, f. *inaugurer* (as foll.)]

inaug'ūr[ā]te, v.t. Admit (person) to office etc. with ceremony; enter with ceremony upon (undertaking etc.); initiate public use of (building etc.). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~āTOR², nn., ~āTORY a. [f. L IN¹(*augurare* take omen, f. *augur*), see -ATE²]

inausp'icious (-shus), a. Not of good omen; unlucky. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN⁻²]

in'board (-ōrd), adv. & a. (naut.). (Situated) within sides of or towards centre of ship. [IN¹]

in'bōrn, a. Implanted by nature. [IN¹]

inbreathe' (-dh), v.t. Breathe (thing) in (lit. & fig.). [IN²]

in'bred, a. Innate, inherent by nature; bred in and in. [IN²]

in'breeding, n. Breeding in & in, breeding from animals closely related. [IN²]

Inc'a (-i), n. Emperor or king of Peru before Spanish conquest; one of royal race of Peru. [Peruv.]

incāl'culable, a. Too great for calculation; that cannot be reckoned beforehand; (of person, character, etc.) uncertain. Hence ~ABL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [IN⁻²]

incāndē'sce, v.i. & t. Glow, cannot to glow, with heat. [f. L IN¹(*candescere* Incept. of *candere* be white)]

incāndēs'cent, a. Glowing with heat; shining brightly; (of electric & other light) produced by glowing of filament etc. Hence ~ENCE n. [as prec., see -ENT]

incāntā'tion, n. (Use of) magical formula; spell, charm. [F, f. L *incantationem* f. IN¹(*cantare* chant) bewitch, see -ION]

incāp'able, a. Not capable (of conduct etc., of doing; often in good sense, = too honest etc. to do); not susceptible (of improvement etc.); lacking in ordinary powers, as *drunk* & ~able. Hence ~ABL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. med. L IN²(*capabilis* CAPABLE)]

incapā'cit[ā]te, v.t. Render incapable or unfit (for work etc., for, from, doing). Hence ~A'TION n. [f. foll. + -ATE²]

incapā'city, n. Inability (for doing, for work etc., to do, or abs.); legal disqualification. [f. F IN²(*capacité* CAPACITY)]

incār'cer[ā]te, v.t. Imprison (lit. & fig.). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~āTOR², nn. [f. med. L IN¹(*carcerare* f. *carcer* prison), see -ATE²]

incārn'adine, a., & v.t. (poet.). (Dye) flesh-coloured, crimson. [(vb f. a.) F (-in, -ine) f. It. *incarnadino* (for -tino) f. *incarnato* INCARNATE¹]

incārn'ate¹, a. (Of person, spirit, quality, etc.) embodied in flesh, esp. in human form, as *he is an ~flesh*, *Liberty ~*; (as p.p., of Christ) *was ~ by the Holy Ghost*. [f. L IN¹(*carne* f. *caro* *carnis* flesh), see -ATE²]

incārn'āte² (or in'k-), v.t. Embody in flesh; put (idea etc.) into concrete form, realize; (of person etc.) be living embodiment of (quality). [as prec., see -ATE²]

incārnā'tion, n. Embodiment in (esp. human) flesh, esp. *the I-* (of Christ); impersonation, living type, (of quality etc.). [F, f. LL *incarnationem* (as prec., see -ION)]

incau'tious (-shus), a. Rash. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN⁻²]

incēn'diari'y, a. & n. 1. Of, guilty of, the malicious setting on fire of property (~y bomb, filled with inflammatory substance(s) for causing fires); (fig.) tending to stir up strife, inflammatory. 2. n. ~y person (lit. & fig.); ~y bomb. Hence ~ISM n. [f. L *incendiarius* f. *incendium* conflagration f. IN(*cendere* cens- = *candere* cause to glow, cf. *candere* glow), see -ARY¹]

incēn'si, n. Gum, spice, producing sweet smell when burned; smoke of this, esp. in religious ceremonial; (fig.) praise, flattery. [f. OF *encens* f. eccl. L *incensum* thing burnt, incense, neut. p.p. as prec.]

incēns'e², v.t. Fumigate (person, thing) with incense; burn incense to (deity etc.); suffuse with fragrance. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *encenser* (as prec.)]

incēns'e², v.t. Enrage, make angry (~d against, with, at, by). [f. OF *incenser* f. L *incendere* (see INCENDIARY)]

incēns'ory, n. Vessel for burning incense, censer. [f. med. L *incensorium* (INCENSE¹, -ORY)]

incēn'tive, a. & n. 1. Tending to incite. 2. n. Incitement (to action, to do, to doing), provocation, motive. [f. L *incentivus* setting the tune f. IN¹(*cinere* cent- = *canere* sing) sing to, blow on instrument; -IVE]

incēpt', v.i. & t. || (Formerly at Camb. Univ.) commence the taking of Master's or Doctor's degree, so **incēpt'or**² n.; (Biol.) take in. [f. L IN¹(*cipere* cept- = *capere* take) begin]

incēpt'ion, n. Beginning; || (Camb. Univ.) incepting. [f. L *inceptio* (as prec., see -ION)]

incēpt'ive, a. & n. Beginning; initial; (Gram.) ~ verb, one that denotes the beginning of an action; (n.) ~ verb. [obs. F (-if, -ive), as INCEPT, see -IVE]

incērt'itude, n. Uncertainty. [F, f. L IN¹(*certus* CERTAIN), see -TUDINE]

incēss'ant, a. Unceasing, continual, repeated. Hence incēss'ANCY, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [F, f. LL IN¹(*cessantem* part. of *cessare* cease)]

In wds from *incalculable* to *incautious* pronounce in-k-, not ingk-.

in'cest, n. Sexual commerce of near kindred. [f. *L incestus* -us or *IN*¹*cestum* neut. adj. = *castum* chaste)]

incés'tious, a. Involving, guilty of, incest. Hence **~LY**² adv. [f. *L incestuosus* (as prec., see -OUS)]

inch¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Twelfth part of (linear) foot; *square, cubic*, ~, area equal to square, content equal to cube, whose side is an ~; (as unit of rainfall) quantity that would cover surface to depth of an ~; (of atmospheric or other pressure) amount that balances weight of column of mercury 1 in. high in mercurial barometer; small amount; *by ~es*, bit by bit; *every ~*, entirely; (pl.) stature (*a man of your ~es*); *give him an ~ & he'll take an ell*; *flog person within an ~ of his life*, almost to death; *an ~ of cold iron*, stab with a dagger etc. 2. v.t. & i. Move by ~es, edge in, forward, etc. [(vb f. n.) OE *ynce* f. *L uncia* twelfth part, inch]

|| **inch**², n. Small (esp. Scottish) island. [f. Gael. *innis*]

-in'cher, n. *Six* etc. ~, thing of six inches in length, diameter, etc. [-ER¹]

in'chóate¹ (in-kó-), a. Just begun; undeveloped. [f. *L IN*¹*cohare, choare*, see -ATE³]

in'chó|áte¹ (in-kó-), v.t. Begin; originate. So **~ATION** n., **~ATIVE** (or -kó'a-) a. [prec., -ATE³]

in'cidence, n. Falling on, contact with, a thing; *what is the ~ of the tax?*, on whom will it fall?; (Physics) falling of line, or of thing moving in a line, upon a surface; *angle of ~*, that which the incident line, ray, etc., makes with the perpendicular to the surface at point of ~; range, scope, extent, of influence. [F (as INCIDENT², see -ENCE)]

in'cident¹, n. Subordinate or accessory event; event, occurrence; detached event attracting general attention; distinct piece of action in play or poem; (Law) privilege, burden, etc., attaching to estate etc. [F (as foll.)]

in'cident², a. Apt to occur, naturally attaching, (to); (Law) attaching to (cf. prec.); (of light etc.) falling, striking, (upon). [F, f. *L IN*¹*cidere* = *cadere* fall, see -ENT]

inciden'tal, a. Casual, not essential; liable to happen to; ~ *images, colours* (perceived as consequence of impressions no longer present); ~ *music* (introduced during the action of a play). Hence **~LY**² adv. [INCIDENT¹ + -AL]

incin'eri|áte, v.t. Reduce to ashes; consume (body etc.) by fire. Hence or cogn. **~ATION**, **~ATOR**²(2), nn. [f. med. *L IN*¹*cinere* f. *cinis* -eris ashes, see -ATE³]

incip'it|ent, a. Beginning; in an initial stage. Hence **~ENCE**, **~ENTY**, nn., **~ent-ly**² adv. [f. *L* as *IN*CIPT, see -ENT]

in'cip|it, sent. n. (Here) begins (book etc.). [L]

incise' (-z), v.t. Make a cut in; engrave. [f. *F inciser* f. *L IN*¹*cidere* cis- = *cadere* cut)]

inci'sion (-zhn), n. Cutting into a thing; cut, gash, notch. [F, f. *L incisionem* (prec., -ION)]

incis'ive, a. Cutting, penetrating; (fig.) mentally sharp; acute, trenchant. Hence **~LY**² (-vi-) adv., **~NESS** (-vn-) n. [f. med. *L incisivus* (as INCISE, see -IVE)]

incis'or (-z-), n. Any tooth between the canine teeth in either jaw. [med. *L*, = cutter (as INCISE, see -OR²)]

incite', v.t. Urge, stir up. (person etc. to action, to do). Hence or cogn. **incita'TION**, **~MENT** (-tm-), nn. [f. *F inciter* f. *L IN*¹*citare* rouse frequent. of *ciere* cit-]

incivil'ity, n. Rudeness, discourtesy. [f. *F incivilité* f. *LL IN*¹*civilitatem* CIVILITY]

in'civism, n. Want of good citizenship, esp. of loyalty to French Revolution principles. [f. *F IN*¹*civisme* f. *L civis* citizen]

|| **in'clearing**, n. The cheques etc. collectively payable by a bank & received through clearing-house for settlement. [IN adv.]

inclém'|ent, a. (Of weather or climate) severe, esp. cold or stormy. So **~ENCY** n. [f. *L IN*¹*clēmēns* CLEMENT]

inclin'able, a. Inclined, disposed, (to thing, to do); favourable (to). [f. OF *enclīnāble* (as INCLINE¹, see -ABLE)]

inclinā'tion, n. Leaning, slope, slant; difference of direction of two lines, esp. as measured by angle between them; disposition, propensity, (to, for, thing, to do); liking, affection, (for). [F, f. *L inclinātionem* (foll., -ATION)]

incline'¹, v.t. & i. Bend (head, body, oneself) forward or downward; ~ one's ear, listen favourably (to person, prayer, etc.); dispose (mind, heart, person, to do), as ~ *our hearts to keep this law, I am ~d to think*; be disposed, as *I ~ to think*; lean, cause to lean, from the vertical etc.; ~d (sloping) plane, one of the MECHANICAL powers; tend (to compulsion etc.). [f. OF *enclīner* f. *L IN*¹*clīnare* bend]

incline'² (or In²), n. Inclined plane; slope. [f. prec.]

inclinōm'eter, n. Instrument measuring vertical intensity of earth's magnetic force as shown by dip of magnetic needle, or for measuring slope. [INCLINE + -O- + -METER]

include' (-lō-), v.t. Comprise, embrace, (thing etc.) as part of a whole; (part in abs. constr.) if we ~e, as *seven were killed, ~ing the guard*; treat, regard, as so comprised; (p.p.) shut in. [f. *L IN*¹*cludere* thus- = *claudere* shut]

inclus'ive (-lō-), a. Including, compris-

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ing, (of, or abs.); (abbr. incl.) pages 7 to 26 ~ (including pages 7 & 26); including much or all, as ~ terms (at hotel etc.). Hence or cogn. inclūsion (-lōzhn) n., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *inclusivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

incōḡ', a., n., & adv. Colloq. abbr. of foll.

incōḡ'nitō, a. & n. (pl. -ti pron. -tē; fem. -ta pron. -ta, pl. -te pron. -tā), & adv. (Person) concealed under disguised character; (adv.) with one's name, character, etc., concealed, as *travel, do good*, ~. [It., = unknown, f. L *IN*²(*cognitus* p.p. of *cognoscere* get to know)]

incōḡ'nizable (-kōgn-, -kōn-), a. That cannot be apprehended by senses or intellect. [IN-²]

incōḡ'nizant (as prec.), a. Unaware, unconscious of. So ~ANCE n. [IN-²]

incōhēr'ent, a. Not coherent (lit. & fig.). So ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [IN-²]

incōhēs'ive, a. Not cohesive. [IN-²]

incombūs'tible, a. That cannot be consumed by fire. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [f. med. L *IN*²(*combustibilis* COMBUSTIBLE)]

in'come, n. Periodical (usu. annual) receipts from one's business, lands, work, investments, etc.; ~tax (levied on this). [IN adv.]

in'com'er (-kū-), n. One who comes in; immigrant; intruder; successor. [IN adv.]

in'com'ing¹ (-kū-), n. Entrance, arrival; (usu. pl.) revenue, income. [IN adv.]

in'coming² (-kū-), a. Succeeding; immigrant; (of profit) accruing. [IN adv.]

incommēn'surable (-sher-), a. (Of magnitudes) having no common measure integral or fractional (*with* another); irrational, surd; not comparable in respect of magnitude; not worthy to be measured *with*. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. med. L *IN*²(*commensurabilis* COMMENSURABLE)]

incommēn'surate (-sher-), a. Out of proportion, inadequate, (*with, to*); ~prec. Hence ~NESS n. [IN-²]

incommōde', v.t. Trouble, annoy; hinder. [f. F *incommoder* f. L *IN*²(*commodare* f. *commodus* COMMODIOUS)]

incommōd'ious, a. Not affording good accommodation, uncomfortable. Hence ~NESS n. [IN-²]

incommūn'icable, a. That cannot be shared; that cannot be told. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [IN-²]

incommūn'icative, a. Not communicative. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-²]

incommūt'able, a. Unchangeable; not commutable. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *IN*²(*commutabilis* COMMUTABLE)]

incompāct', a. Not compact (esp. fig.). [IN-²]

incōm'parāble, a. Matchless; not to be compared (*with, to*). Hence ~leness n.,

~LY² adv. [F, f. L *IN*²(*comparabilis* COMPARABLE)]

incompāt'ible, a. Opposed in character, discordant; inconsistent (*with*). So ~IBIL'ITY n. [f. med. L *IN*²(*compatibilis* COMPATIBLE)]

incōm'pēt'ent, a. Not qualified or able (*to do*); not legally qualified. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. F *incompétent* f. LL *IN*²(*competentem* COMPETENT)]

incomplēte', a. Not complete. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L *IN*²(*completus* COMPLETE)]

incōm'prēhēn'sible, a. That cannot be understood; (Athan. Creed) boundless (also as n., *three ~ibles*). Hence ~IBIL'ITY, ~IBleness, nn., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L *IN*²(*comprehensibilis* COMPREHENSIBLE)]

incōm'prēhēn'sion (-shn), n. Failure to understand. [IN-²]

incompres'sible, a. That cannot be compressed. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [IN-²]

incompūt'able, a. That cannot be computed. [IN-²]

inconceiv'able (-sēv-), a. That cannot be imagined; (pop.) very remarkable. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [IN-²]

inconclus'ive (-klōv-), a. (Of argument, evidence, action) not decisive or convincing. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-²]

incondēn'sable, a. That cannot be condensed, esp. that cannot be reduced to liquid or solid condition. [IN-²]

incōn'dite, a. (Of literary composition etc.) ill constructed; crude, unpolished. [f. L *IN*²(*conditus* p.p. of *condere* put together)]

inconform'ity, n. Dissimilarity, want of conformity, (*to, with*); = NONCONFORMITY. [IN-²]

incōḡ'ruous (-kōḡgrōv-), a. Disagreeing, out of keeping, (*with*); out of place, absurd. Hence or cogn. incongru'ity (-grōv-), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *IN*²(*congruus* CONGRUOUS)]

inconsēc'utive, a. Wanting in sequence, inconsequent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-²]

incōn'sēquēnt, a. Not following naturally, irrelevant; wanting in logical sequence; disconnected. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ēn'tial (-shal) a., ~ēn'tially² (-shal-), ~ently², adv. [f. L *IN*²(*consequens* CONSEQUENT)]

inconsid'erable, a. Not worth considering; of small size, value, etc. [f. F *IN*²(*considérable* CONSIDERABLE)]

inconsid'erate, a. (Of person or action) thoughtless, rash; lacking in regard for feelings etc. of others. Hence or cogn. ~ately² adv., ~ateness, ~a'tion, nn. [f. L *IN*²(*consideratus* CONSIDERATE)]

inconsis'tent, a. Not in keeping, discordant, incompatible, (*with*); (of single thing) having ~ent parts; acting at

variance with one's own principles or former conduct. Hence ~ENOV n., ~ENTLY² adv. [IN-²]

inconsol'able, a. (Of person, his grief, etc.) that cannot be consoled. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L IN²(*consolabilis* CONSOLABLE)]

incons'ontant, a. Not harmonizing (*with*, *to*). Hence ~ANCE n. [IN-²]

inconspic'uous, a. Not conspicuous; (Bot., of flowers) small, pale, or green. Hence ~NESS n. [f. LL IN²(*conspicuous* CONSPICUOUS)]

incons'tant, a. (Of person) fickle, changeable; variable, irregular. Hence or cogn. ~ANCY n., ~ANTLY² adv. [F, f. L IN²(*constans* CONSTANT)]

inconsum'able, a. That cannot be consumed by fire etc.; (Pol. Econ.) not meant to be consumed in use. [IN-²]

incont'es'table, a. That cannot be disputed. Hence ~LY² adv. [F (IN-²)]

incont'inent, a. Wanting in self-restraint (esp. in regard to sexual appetite); unable to hold in something (*of* secrets, tongue, urine, etc.). So ~ENCE n. [F, f. L IN²(*continentem* CONTINENT)]

incont'inently, adv. (literary). At once, immediately. [arch. *incontinent* adv. (thr. F) f. LL *in continenti* (tempore) in continuous time, +LY²]

incontrov'ert'ible, a. Not to be disputed. Hence ~LY² adv. [IN-²]

inconven'ience, n., & v.t. Want of adaptation to personal requirement or ease; instance of this; (v.t.) put (person etc.) to ~, incommode. [(vb f. n.) OF, f. LL *inconvenientia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

inconven'ient, a. Unfavourable to ease or comfort, awkward, troublesome. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. 18th-c. F *inconvenient* f. L IN²(*convenientem* CONVENIENT)]

inconv'ert'ible, a. Not convertible (esp. of currency). Hence ~IBLY² n., ~IBLY² adv. [IN-²]

inconvin'cible, a. Not to be convinced. [IN-²]

incoördin'ation, n. Want of coordination. [IN-²]

incorp'orate¹, a. (Of company etc.) formed into a corporation; (of persons) united in a corporation. [as foll., see -ATE²]

incorp'or'ate², v.t. & i. Unite (*in* one body, *with* another thing); combine (ingredients) into one substance; constitute as a legal corporation; become ~ated (*with*). Hence or cogn. ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. LL IN²(*corporare* f. *corpus* -oris body), -ATE²]

incorp'oreal, a. Not composed of matter; of immaterial beings; (Law) having no material existence, esp. ~hereditament. Hence ~LY² adv., incorpore'rry n. [f. L IN²(*corporeus* f. *corpus* -oris body) +AL]

inco'rrect', a. Not in accordance with fact; (of style etc.) improper, faulty; (of book) not properly corrected for press. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L IN²(*correctus* CORRECT)]

incö'rrigible, a. (Of person or habit) incurably bad or depraved. Hence ~IBLY² n., ~IBLY² adv. [F, f. L IN²(*corrigibilis* CORRECTIBLE)]

inco'rrupt'ible, a. That cannot decay, so ~ION n. (Bibl.); eternal; that cannot be corrupted, esp. bribed. Hence or cogn. ~IBLY² n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. LL IN²(*corruptibilis* CORRUPTIBLE)]

incräss'ate, a. (Bot., zool.). Of thick or swollen form. [f. L IN²(*crassare* f. *crassus* thick), see -ATE²]

increas'e¹, v.i. & t. Become greater; grow in numbers, esp. by propagation; advance (*in* quality, attainment, etc.); make greater or more numerous; intensify (quality). Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. OF *encreistre* (st. -eiss-) f. L IN²(*crecere* grow)]

in'crease², n. Growth, enlargement; growth in numbers, multiplication (of men, animals, or plants); *on the* ~, increasing; increased amount; (arch.) crops. [f. prec.]

incréd'ible, a. That cannot be believed; (colloq.) hard to believe, surprising. So ~IBLY² n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L IN²(*credibilis* CREDIBLE)]

incréd'ulous, a. Unbelieving (*of* or *abs.*). Hence or cogn. incredú'ITY n., ~LY² adv. [f. L IN²(*credulus* CREDULOUS)]

in'crément, n. Increase; amount of this; profit; UNEARNED ~, see UN-²(1); (Math.) small amount by which variable quantity increases. [f. L *incrementum* (as INCREASE, see -MENT)]

incri'm'in'ate, v.t. Charge with crime; involve in accusation. Hence ~ATORY a. [f. med. L IN²(*criminare* CRIMINATE)]

incrúst'ation, n. Encrusting; crust, hard coating; facing of marble etc. on building; (fig.) accretion of habit; scab. [f. LL *incrustatio* (as ENCRUST, see -ATION)]

in'cub'ate, v.t. & i. Hatch (eggs) by sitting on them or otherwise; sit on eggs, brood. [f. L IN²(*cubare* cubit- or cubal-), see -ATE²]

incúb'ation, n. Hatching; artificial ~ (by artificial heat); (of the Holy Ghost) brooding; (Path.) phase through which germs of disease pass before development of first symptoms. So in'cub'at'ry, in'cub'at'ory, aa. [f. L *incubatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

in'cub'ator, n. Apparatus for hatching birds, rearing children born prematurely, or developing bacteria. [L (as prec., see -OR²)]

in'cúbus, n. Evil spirit supposed to descend on sleeping persons; nightmare;

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person, thing, that oppresses like nightmare. [LL, = *L incubo* nightmare (as INCOUBATE)]

in'culc'ate, v.t. Urge, impress, (fact, habit, idea) persistently (*upon* or *in* person, mind). So ~'A'TION, ~'ATOR², nn. [f. *L IN'culcare* = *calcare* tread f. *calc* -*icis* heel), -ATE²]

in'culp'ate, v.t. Accuse, blame; involve in charge. Hence *inculp'ation* n., *in-cul'patory* a. [f. *L IN'culpate* f. *culpa* fault), -ATE²]

incult', a. (rare). Untilled; unpolished, rude; (of person or manners) coarse. [f. *L IN'cultus* p.p. of *colere* till)]

incum'bency, n. Office, tenure, sphere, of an incumbent. [f. foll., see -ENCY]

incum'bent', n. Holder of ecclesiastical benefice or (rare) of any office. [as foll.]

incum'bent', a. Lying, pressing, (on); resting (*upon* person) as duty, as it is ~ *on you to warn them*. [f. *L IN'cumbere* lie), -ENT]

incundb'ula, n. pl. Early stages of thing; (w. sing. -um) books printed early, esp. before 1501. [L, = swaddling-clothes, f. *cunuc* cradle]

incur', v.t. (-rr-). Fall into, bring on oneself, (danger, blame, punishment, etc.). [f. *L IN'currere* curs- run)]

incur'able, a. & n. (Person) that cannot be cured. Hence ~'ABILITY, ~'ABLENESS, nn., ~'ABLY² adv. [OF, f. *L IN'curabilis* CURABLE)]

incur'ious, a. Devoid of curiosity; heedless, careless; uninteresting (usu. *not* ~). Hence *incur'iosity* n., ~'LY² adv. [f. *L IN'curiosus* CURIOUS)]

incur'sion (-shn), n. Hostile invasion; sudden attack. So ~'IVE a. [f. *L incurio* (as INCUR, see -ION)]

incurv'e, v.t. Bend into a curve; curve inwards (esp. in p.p.). So ~'ATION n. [f. *L IN'curvare* CURVE)]

in'cus, n. Bone of ear receiving vibrations from MALLEUS. [L, = anvil (as foll.)]

incuse' (inküz'), a. & n. (Of impression on coin etc.) hammered or stamped in; (n.) such impression. [f. *L IN'cadere* cus-forge)]

incuse' (inküz'), v.t. (esp. in p.p.). Impress (figure etc.) by stamping; mark (coin etc.) with such figure. [as prec.]

Ind (-), n. (arch. or poet.). India. [f. *F Inde*]

inda'ba (-ah-), n. A conference between or with S.-African natives. [Zulu, = business]

indēbt'ed (-dēt-), a. Owing money (*to*); owing gratitude (*to* person, or *fig.* *to* thing, *for* benefit etc.). Hence ~'NESS n. [f. OF *endettē* p.p. of *endetter* f. *dette* DEBT)]

indē'cent, a. Unbecoming; immodest, obscene. Hence or cogn. *indē'centy* n., ~'LY² adv. [f. *L IN'decens* DECENT)]

indēcid'uous, a. Not deciduous. [IN-²]

indēciph'erable, a. That cannot be deciphered. [IN-²]

indēci'sion (-zhn), n. Want of decision, hesitation. [f. *F IN'cision* DECISION)]

indēcis'ive, a. Not decisive; undecided, irresolute. Hence ~'LY² adv., ~'NESS n. [IN-²]

indēclin'able, a. That cannot be declined, having no inflexions. [f. *F IN'clinaire* DECLINABLE)]

indēcompōs'able (-z-), a. That cannot be decomposed or resolved into constituents. [IN-²]

indēcōr'ous (or -dēk'o-), a. Improper; in bad taste. Hence ~'LY² adv., ~'NESS n. [f. *L IN'decorus* DECOROUS)]

indēcōr'um, n. Lack of decorum; improper proceeding. [L, neut. adj. as prec.]

indeed', adv. In truth, really, as *he was*, ~, *a remarkable man*; (intensifying) *I shall be very glad ~, this is quick work ~, yes, ~!*, *no, ~!*; (echoing last speaker's words with approval or iron.) *who is this Mr Smith?—who is he, ~!* (= you may well ask, or, can you ask?); (concessive) *there are ~ exceptions*; (interrog.) *really? is it so?*; as int., expr. irony, contempt, incredulity, etc. [IN prep. + DEED]

indēfat'igable, a. (Of persons, qualities, etc.) that cannot be tired out, unremitting. Hence ~'ABILITY n., ~'ABLY² adv. [f. obs. *F indēfatigable* f. *L IN'defatigabilis* f. *defatigare* wear out, see -BLE)]

indēfeas'ible (-z-), a. That cannot be forfeited or done away with, esp. ~'ible right. Hence ~'IBILITY n., ~'IBLY² adv. [IN-²]

indēfec'tible, a. Unfailing, not liable to defect or decay; faultless. [IN-² + DEFECT + -IBLE]

indēfēn'sible, a. Admitting of no defence (by force of arms or by argument). Hence ~'IBILITY n., ~'IBLY² adv. [IN-²]

indēfin'able, a. That cannot be defined. Hence ~'LY² adv. [IN-²]

indēf'inite, a. Vague, undefined; unlimited; (Gram., of adj., pronouns, etc.) not determining the person, thing, time, etc., to which they refer, esp. ~'article (a, an); (of tenses) denoting an action without specifying whether it is continuous or complete (e.g. Greek aorist, English past). Hence ~'LY² (-tl-) adv., ~'NESS (-tn-), *indēfin'itude*, nn. [f. *L IN'definitus* DEFINITE)]

indēhis'cent, a. (bot.). Not dehiscent. [IN-²]

indēl'ible, a. (Of mark, stain, ink, etc., & *fig.* of disgrace etc.) that cannot be blotted out. Hence ~'IBILITY n., ~'IBLY² adv. [f. *L IN'delebilis* f. *delere* blot out, see -BLE)]

indēl'ic'ate, a. Coarse, unrefined; immodest; tactless. Hence ~'ACY n., ~'ATELY² adv. [IN-²]

indēm'niſſy, v.t. Protect, secure, (person from, against, harm or loss); secure (person) against legal responsibility (for actions); compensate (person for loss, expenses incurred, etc.). Hence ~**ſſiō'n** n. [f. L **IN**²(*demnis* f. *damnum* loss), see -**ſſy**]

indēm'nitŷ, n. Security against damage or loss; legal exemption from penalties etc. incurred; compensation for loss incurred; sum paid for this, esp. sum exacted by victorious belligerent as one condition of peace. [f. F **indemnité** f. LL *indemnitas* (as prec., see -**TY**)]

indēmōn'strable, a. That cannot be proved (esp. of primary truths). [IN-³]

indēt'¹, v.t. & i. 1. Make tooth-like notches in; form deep recesses in (coast-line etc.). 2. Divide (document drawn up in duplicate) into two halves with zigzag line, draw up (document) in exact duplicate. 3. (Print.) set back (beginning of line) farther from margin to mark new paragraph. 4. Make requisition (prop. written order with duplicate) upon (person for thing); order (goods) by an indent. [f. F *endenter* f. L **IN**²(*dentare* f. *dens* -ntis tooth)]

indēt'² (or **in**⁴), n. Indentation; indenture; || official requisition for stores; order (esp. from abroad) for goods. [f. prec.]

indēt'³, v.t. Make a dent in; impress (mark etc.). [IN-¹]

in'dēt'⁴, n. Dent, depression. [f. prec.]

in'dētā'tion, n. Indenting; cut, notch; zigzag; deep recess in coast-line etc. [IN-**DE**^{1,2} + -**ATION**]

indēn'tion, n. Indenting of line in printing; = prec. [Irreg. f. **INDE**¹ + -**ION**]

indēn'ture, n., & v.t. 1. Indented document (see **INDENT**¹); any sealed agreement or contract, esp. that which binds apprentice to master; *take up* one's ~s, receive them back on completion of service; formal list, certificate, etc.; indentation. 2. v.t. Bind (person) by ~s esp. as apprentice. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *endenteure* (as **INDENT**¹, see -**URE**)]

indēpēndence, -enſy, nn. 1. (~ce). Being independent (*on*, *of*, or *abs.*); (~) = CONGREGATIONAL; not depending on something else for its validity, efficiency, etc., as ~ *proof*, *research*, *observer*; not needing to earn one's livelihood; ~ *income* (dispensing one from earning livelihood); unwilling to be under obligation to others. 2. n. Person who acts (in politics etc.) ~ly of any party; Congregationalist. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [IN-³]

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indēscrib'able, a. Vague, indefinite; too great, beautiful, bad, etc., to be described. Hence ~**ABL**¹ITY n., ~**ABL**¹ adv. [IN-³]

indēstrūc'tible, a. That cannot be destroyed. Hence ~**IBL**¹ITY n., ~**IBL**¹ adv. [IN-³]

indētērm'inable, a. That cannot be ascertained; (of disputes etc.) that cannot be settled. [f. L **IN**²(*determinabilis* DETERMINABLE)]

indētērm'inatē, a. Not fixed in extent, character, etc.; vague; left doubtful; ~ *sentence*, one that leaves prisoner's release dependent on his conduct & on probability of amendment; ~ *vowel*, sound in *ago*, *moment*, *cousin*, *opine*, *support*, *certain*; (Math., of quantity) not limited to fixed value(s). Hence ~**LY**² (-ly) adv., ~**NESS** (-tn-) n. [f. L **IN**²(*determinatus* DETERMINATE)]

indētērm'inā'tion, n. Want of determination; being indeterminate. [IN-³]

indētērm'inism, n. Theory that human action is not wholly determined by motives. So ~**IST** n. [IN-³]

in'dēx, n. (pl. ~es, *in'dicēs*), & v.t. 1. Forefinger; (on instruments) pointer showing measurements etc.; ~ *number* (indicating the relative level of prices or wages at a particular date compared with the figure (100) ruling at a period taken as standard); guiding principle; alphabetical list, usu. at end of book, of subjects etc. with references; (R.C.) the *I*~, list of books forbidden to Roman Catholics, or to be read only in expurgated editions (in full, *I*~ *librōrūm prohibitorūm*); ~ *expurgatorius*, list of passages to be expunged in books otherwise permitted (in fig. use often confused with last); (Alg.) exponent. 2. v.t. Furnish (book) with ~ (esp. in p.p.), enter (word etc.) in ~. Hence ~**LESS** a. [(vb f. n.) L (gen. -*icis*), = forefinger, informer, sign, f. IN-¹ + *dic*-point out]

In'dia (I-), n. Country of S. Asia east of river Indus & south of Himalayas; *Further*~, country between this & China; ~*man*, ship engaged in Indian trade; ~ *Office*, former department of British Government dealing with Indian affairs; ~ *paper*, soft absorbent kind imported from China, used for proofs of engravings (*Oxford* ~ *paper*, thin tough opaque printing-paper); ~ *proof* (on ~ paper); ~*rubber*, *india-rubber*, coagulated juice of certain plants, used for tires, rubbing out pencil marks, etc. [L, f. Gk *Indos* Indus, f. Pers. *hind*=Sk. *sindhu* river, -IA¹]

In'dian (I-), a. & n. (Native) of India; (one) of the original inhabitants of America & W. Indies; European, esp. Englishman, formerly resident in India; *Red*~, one of aboriginal race of N. America; || ~ *civilian*, member of ~ Civil Service; ~ *club* (bottle-shaped, for use in gymnas-

tica); || ~ *corn*, maize, N. American graminaceous plant; ~ *file*, single file; *India(n) ink*, black pigment made in China & Japan; ~ *meal* (made from ~ corn); ~ *summer*, period of calm dry hazy weather in late autumn in North U.S.; ~ *weed*, tobacco. Hence ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n., process or policy of making ~ in character or composition. [-AN] **in'dicāte**, v.t. Point out, make known, show; (Mod.) suggest, call for, (treatment); state briefly; be a sign of, betoken, (thing, that, etc.); ~ated horse-power (shown by ~ator; abbr. *i.h.p.*). So ~A'TION n. [f. L *IN*²(*dicare* make known), sec -ATE³]

indicative, a. & n. 1. (Gram.) stating a thing as a fact, not as conception, wish, etc., of speaker; (also *in'dikātiv*) suggestive, giving indications, of. 2. n. ~ mood. Hence ~LY² (-vī) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *indicativus* (prec., -IVE)]

in'dicāt(or), n. Person, thing, that points out, esp. recording instrument attached to apparatus etc. Hence ~ORY a. [LL (as prec., see -OR²)]

in'dicān (-shī-), n. (pl. -ia). Indication, sign, (now rare). [L (as INDEX)]

indict' (-it), v.t. Accuse (person for riot etc., as a rioter, on charge), esp. by legal process. [f. AF *enditer* indict f. OF *enditer* make known f. LL¹ *IN*¹(*dicare* DICTATE)]

indict'able (-it-), a. Liable, (of action) rendering one liable, to be indicted. [-ABLE]

indict'ion, n. Fiscal period of 15 years instituted by Constantine & reckoned from Sep. 1st, 312; assessment of property-tax by Roman Emperors at beginning of each 15 years; this tax; proclamation. [f. L *indictio* f. *IN*¹(*dicere* dict- say), see -ION]

indict'ment (-it-), n. Formal accusation; legal process in which this is preferred to & presented by Grand Jury; document containing charge; *bill of ~*, written accusation as preferred to Grand Jury. [f. AF *enditment* (as INDICT, see -MENT)]

In'dies (in'diz), n. pl. (Also *East ~*) India, Further India, & the islands beyond; *West ~*, group of islands lying at mouth of Gulf of Mexico. [pl. of *Indy* f. L *India*]

indiff'erence, n. Absence of interest or attention (*to, towards*, or abs.); neutrality; unimportance, esp. a matter of ~ence, so ~ENCY n. [f. L *indifferentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

indiff'erent, a. & n. 1. Impartial, neutral; having no inclination for or against (*to*); neither good nor bad; rather bad, esp. *very ~*; neutral in chemical, electrical, or magnetic quality; unimportant (*to*). 2. n. Neutral person, esp. in religion or politics. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *IN*²(*differe*ns DIFFERENT)]

indiff'erent'ism, n. Spirit of indifference, professed or practised, esp. in religious matters. So ~IST n. [-ISM]

in'digēne, n. Native. [f. F *indigène* f. L *indigena* (*indu*-=*IN*-¹+*gen*-be born)]

indig'énous, a. Native, belonging naturally, (*to soil* etc., also fig.). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL *indigenus* (as prec.) + -OUS]

in'digent, a. Needy, poor. So ~ENCE n. [F, f. L *indigère* (*indu*-=*IN*-¹+*egere* want), see -ENT]

indigēs'tèd, a. Shapeless; not thought out; not digested in stomach. [f. obs. *indigest* a. f. L *IN*²(*digestus* p.p. as DIGEST²) + -ED¹]

indigēs'tible, a. Not digestible (lit. & fig.). Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [f. L *IN*²(*digestibilis* DIGESTIBLE)]

indigēs'tion (-schon), n. Difficulty in digesting food, dyspepsia; undigested condition (lit. & fig.). [F, f. L *IN*²(*digestionem* DIGESTION)]

indigēs'tive, a. Suffering from, tending to, indigestion. [IN-²]

|| **indign'** (-in), a. (arch.). Unworthy. [f. F *indigne* f. L *IN*²(*dignus* worthy)]

indig'nant, a. Moved by mingled anger & scorn or feeling of injured innocence (*at* thing, *with* person, or abs.). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *indignari* (as prec.), see -ANT]

indignā'tion, n. Anger excited by meanness, injustice, wickedness, or misconduct (*at* thing, *against*, *with*, person); ~meeting (*to* express public ~). [f. L *indignatio* (prec., -ATION)]

indig'nity, n. Unworthy treatment; slight, insult. [f. L *indignitas* (as INDIGN, see -TY)]

in'digō, n. (pl. ~s). Blue powder from plants of genus *Indigofera*, used as dye; ~blue, blue-violet (often attrib.); ~bird, N.-Amer. species of painted finch; ~white, reduced or deoxidized ~, a white crystalline powder. Hence **indigō'tic** [-t-ouphon.] a. [f. L f. GK *indikon* Indian (dye)]

indirēct', a. 1. (Of road etc.) not straight; not going straight to the point. 2. (Pol. Econ., of taxes) not direct, paid by consumer in the form of increased price for the taxed goods. 3. (gram.). ~speech, reported speech, with necessary changes of pronouns, tenses, etc. (e.g. *I will help you*, he said *he would help me*); ~object, person, thing, affected by verbal action but not primarily acted on (e.g. *him in give him the book*); ~passive, passive having for subject the ~object of the active (e.g. *I in I was told it*). 4. Not directly aimed at, as an ~result. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *IN*²(*directus* DIRECT²)]

indirēc'tion, n. Round-about means, esp. by ~ (after Shak. *Ham.* II. i. 66); deceit, trickery. [prec. + -ION]

indiscērn'ible, a. & n. (Thing) that cannot be discerned or distinguished from another; *identity of ~ies*, doctrine that things cannot exist together as

separate entities unless they have different attributes. Hence ~LY³ adv. [IN-³]

Indiscerp'tible, a. Incapable of, not destructible by, dissolution of parts. Hence ~IBL'ITY n. [IN-³]

Indis'ciplin'e, n. Want of discipline. So ~ABLE a. [IN-³]

Indiscreet', a. Injudicious, unwary. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L IN²(discretus DISCREET)]

Indis'crète, a. Not divided into distinct parts. [IN-³]

Indiscre'tion, n. Injudicious conduct; accidental or (calculated ~) supposed accidental revelation of official secret etc.; imprudence; transgression of social morality. [f. F indiscretion f. LL IN²(discretio DISCRETION)]

Indiscrim'in'ate, a. Confused, promiscuous; making no distinctions. Hence ~ATELY² adv., ~ATENESS, ~A'TION, nn., ~ATIVE a. [IN-²]

Indispèn'sible, a. That cannot be dispensed with, necessary; (of law, duty, etc.) that cannot be set aside. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. med. L IN²(dispensabilis DISPENSABLE)]

Indispōse' (-z), v.t. Render unfit or unable (for thing, to do); make averse (towards, from, thing, to do); (esp. in p.p.) put out of health. [IN-³]

Indisposi'tion (-zi), n. Ill health, ailment, (esp. of passing kind); disinclination (to thing, to do); aversion (to, towards). [IN-³]

Indis'pū'table, a. That cannot be disputed. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. LL IN²(disputabilis DISPUTABLE)]

Indiss'oluble (-lōb-; or indissōl'), a. Lasting, stable, as an ~uble bond; that cannot be dissolved or decomposed. Hence ~UBIL'ITY n., ~UBLY² adv. [f. L IN²(dissolubilis DISSOLUBLE)]

Indistinct', a. Not distinct; confused, obscure. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L IN²(distinctus DISTINCT)]

Indistinc'tive, a. Not distinctive. Hence ~LY² adv. [IN-²]

Indisting'uishable (-nggw-), a. Not distinguishable. Hence ~LY³ adv. [IN-³]

Indistrib'utable, a. That cannot be distributed. [IN-³]

Indite', v.t. Put into words, compose, (poem, speech, etc.); (usu. joc.) write (letter etc.). [f. OF EN(diter f. L dicare DICTATE)]

Indivert'ible, a. That cannot be turned aside. Hence ~LY³ adv. [IN-³ + DIVERT +IBLE]

Individ'ual, a. & n. 1. Single; particular, special, opp. to general; having distinct character; characteristic of particular person. 2. n. Single member of class; single human being, opp. to society, family, etc.; (vulg.) person, as an ~ of somewhat prepossessing appearance. [f. med. L indi-

vidualis f. IN²(dividuus f. dividere DIVIDE), see -AL]

Individ'ualism, n. Self-centred feeling or conduct, egotism; social theory favouring free action of individuals (of SOCIALISM). So ~IST n., ~IS'TIC a. [-ISM]

Individ'ual'ity, n. Separate existence; individual character, esp. when strongly marked; (pl.) individual tastes etc. [-ITY]

Individ'ualiz'e, v.t. Give individual character to; specify. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZE]

Individ'ually, adv. Personally, in an individual capacity; in a distinctive manner; one by one, not collectively; ~different, different as individuals though perhaps identical in species. [-LY²]

Individ'uate, v.t. Individualize, form into an individual. So ~A'TION n. [f. med. L individuate (as INDIVIDUAL), see -ATE²]

Indivis'ible (-z-), a. & n. Not divisible; (n.) infinitely small particle or quantity. Hence ~IBL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. LL IN²(divisibilis DIVISIBLE)]

In'dō- (f-) in comb. = Indian, as: ~Ar'yan, Aryan of or in India; ~Chinese', of further India; ~Europe'an, ~German'ic, of the family of languages spoken over greater part of Europe & Asia as far as N. India; ~Iran'ian, of the subfamily of ~European languages spoken chiefly in India & Persia; ~nēs'ian, of the East Indian islands. [f. L f. Gk Indos]

Indō'cile (or -dōsil), a. Not docile. Hence **indocil'ity** n. [f. L IN²(docilis DOCLILE)]

in'dolent, a. Slothful, lazy; (Med.) causing no pain, as ~ent tumour. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. LL indolens (IN-² + dolere grove, see -ENT)]

indōm'itable, a. Unyielding; stubbornly persistent. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL IN²(domitabilis f. domitare tame, see -BLE)]

in'door (-dōr), a. Situated, carried on, within doors or under cover, as ~ games; within workhouse, as ~ relief. [IN prep.]

indoors' (-ōrz), adv. Within a house; under cover. [earlier within doors]

indōrsā'tion, n. Endorsement. [f. in-dorse var. of ENDORSE + A'TION]

indōrsee', n. One in whose favour note or bill is endorsed. [as prec., see -EE]

in'draught (-ahft), -draft (-ah-), n. Drawing in; inward flow or current. [IN adv.]

in'dri, n. Babacoot, lemurine animal of Madagascar. [f. Malagasy indry behold, mistaken for its name]

Indūb'itable, a. That cannot be doubted. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L IN²(dubitabilis f. dubitare doubt, see -BLE)]

Indūce', v.t. Prevail on, persuade, (to do, now rarely to action etc.; nothing shall ~ me to, I will never); bring about, give rise to; (Electr.) produce (current) by induction; infer, derive as an induction. [f. L IN²(ducere duct- lead)]

Indūce'ment (-sm-), n. What induces; attraction that leads one on (to). [-MENT]

induct', v.t. Introduce formally into possession (*to* benefice); install (*into* seat, room, etc.); introduce, initiate, (*to*, *into*). [as *INDUCE*]

induc'tile, a. Not ductile. [IN-¹]

induc'tion, n. Inducting; || (aroh.) preamble, prologue, introduction; production (*of* facts) to prove general statement; inferring of general law from particular instances (cf. *DEDUCTION*); *mathematical*~, proving universal truth of theorem by showing (1) that if true of any particular case it is true of the next case in a series, (2) that it is true of a particular case; (Electr., Magnet.) bringing about of electric or magnetic state in a body by proximity (without contact) of electrified or magnetized body; ~*coil* (for converting direct current to alternating by ~). So **induc'tance** n., capacity for magnetic ~, coefficient of self- in magnetic circuits. [f. L *inductio* (as *INDUCE*, see -ION)]

induc'tive, a. (Of reasoning etc.) of, based on, induction; of electric or magnetic induction. Hence ~*LY*² (-*VL*) adv., ~*NESS* (-*VN*) n. [f. L *inductivus* (as *INDUCE*, see -IVE)]

induc'tor, n. One who inducts clergyman; any part of electric induction apparatus. [L, as *INDUCE*, see -OR¹]

indulge' (-), v.t. & i. Gratify (person, one-self, in wish, matter, etc.); gratify (person with thing given); give free course to, entertain, (desire etc.); (intr.) take one's pleasure freely *in* (strong language, cycling, a cigar; colloq.) partake (too freely) of intoxicants. Hence **indul'gent** a., **indul'gentl'y**² adv. [f. L *indulgere*, -*dukt*-, etym. dub.]

indul'gence, n. Indulging (*in*, t. & i.); (also *self*~) habitual indulging of one's desires; privilege granted; *Declaration of I*~, proclamation of religious liberties, esp. those of Charles II in 1672 & of James II in 1687; (R.-C. Ch.) remission of punishment still due to sin after sacramental absolution. [f. L *indulgentia* (as *prec.*, see -ENCE)]

indul'genced (-*nt*), a. (R.-C. Ch.). (Of prayers, material objects, etc.) procuring indulgence to the user. [-ED¹]

indult', n. Pope's licence for thing not sanctioned by common law of Church. [F, f. L *indultum*, neut. p.p. as *INDULGE*]

indun'a (-*oo*-), n. (S. Afr.). Native headman. [Zulu]

indur'ate, v.t. & i. Make, become, hard; make callous or unfeeling; become inveterate. Hence or cogn. ~*A'TION* n., ~*ATIVE* a. [f. L *indurare* f. *durus* hard, see -ATE¹]

indus'tum (-*z*-), n. (pl. -*ta*). Membranous shield covering fruit-cluster of fern; collection of hairs enclosing stigma of some flowers; case of larva. [L, = *tunic*, f. *induere* *INDUE*]

indus'trial, a. & n. 1. Of industries (~ *maintenance*, system by which each industry should provide for its own unemployed; *the* ~ *revolution*, changes in the relation between employers & employed brought about in the late 18th & early 19th cc. esp. by mechanical inventions); designed, or only fit, for ~ use (~ *alcohol*); ~ *school*, one where neglected children are taught a trade besides ordinary subjects. 2. n. One engaged in ~ pursuits; (pl.) shares in joint-stock ~ enterprise. Hence ~*ISM*(3), ~*IST*(3), nn., ~*IZE*(3) v.t., ~*LY*² adv. [as *INDUSTRY*, see -AL]

indus'trious, a. Diligent, hard-working. Hence ~*LY*² adv. [f. L *industrius* (as foll., see -OUS)]

in'dustry, n. Diligence; habitual employment in useful work; branch of trade or manufacture. [f. L *industria*, etym. dub.]

indwell', v.t. & i. (*indwell*). (Usu. fig., of spirit, principle, etc.) inhabit, occupy; (intr.) be permanently present *in*. Hence ~*ER*¹ n. [IN prep.]

-ine¹, suf. of adj., repr. L *-inus*, w. sense 'pertaining to, of the nature of'; appearing in F as *-in* masc., *-ine* fem., in E formerly as *-in*, now usu. as *-ine* (*asinine*, *divine*, *marine*, *supine*); a previous suf. is sometimes blended, as in *clandestine*, *vespertine*. On model of proper names f. L, adj. like *Florentine*, *Caroline*, are formed in E. Nat. Hist. forms adj. on names of genera (*bovine*, *equine*, *caprine*, *feline*); these have (-*in*) unstressed; others have (-*in*) stressed or not (*indivine*¹, *Al'pine*), (-*in*) unstressed (*fem'inine*), or (-*en*) stressed (*marine*¹).

-ine², suf. of adj., repr. L *-inus* f. Gk *-inos* in names of minerals, plants, etc. (*adamantine*, *hyacinthine*); also repr. orig. L *-inus* (*pristine*). Normal pronunc. (-*in*) is giving place to (-*in*).

-ine³, suf. forming fem. nn., repr. F *-ine* f. L *-ina* f. Gk *-inē* (*heroine*). E represents in same way *-in* in G *markgräfin* etc. (*margravine*).

-ine⁴, suf. of nn., repr. F *-ine* f. L *-ina* (-*inus*), orig. = *-INE*¹ used in L to form abstract nn. f. vbs (*rapina* rapine, *ruina* ruin), f. agent nouns (*disciplina*, *doctrina*, *medicina*), & f. other sources (*resina*, *urina*). L adj. in *-inus*, *-ina*, were also used as nn. (*concubina*, *lupinus*), esp. in prop. names (*Antoninus*, *Agrippina*). For *-ina*, E has *-ine*, sometimes *-in* (*resin*); for *-inus*, E has *-in* (*Crispin*, *Justin*) or *-ine* (*lupine*, *Constantine*). E further forms (thr. F) names of derivative products (*dentine*, *brilliantine*, *nectarine*). Fem. names of Rom. orig. also often take *-ine* (-*in*), as *Caroline*, *Catharine*.

-ine⁵, suf. (chem.), offshoot of *prec.*, in names of derived substances, orig. used unsystematically, & interchangeable with *-IN*; now confined to alkaloïds & basic

substances (*aconitine, cocaine, nicotine*) & (less freq.) Hofmann's names of hydrocarbons; also retained in the four elements *chlorine, fluorine, iodine, bromine*.

inēb'riatē, a. & n. 1. Drunken. 2. n. ~ person, esp. habitual drunkard. [f. L *inēb'riare* f. *ebrius* drunk, see -ATE²]

inēb'riātē, v.t. Make drunk, intoxicate (lit. & fig.). So ~ATION n. [as prec., -ATE²]

inēbri'ētē, n. (Habit of) drunkenness. [IN-¹]

inēd'ible, a. Not edible. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [IN-¹]

inēd'itēd, a. Not published; published without editorial alterations. [IN-²]

inēff'able, a. Unutterable, too great for words. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *inēff'abilis* f. *effari* speak, utter, see -BLE¹]

inēffāc'ible (-sabl), a. That cannot be effaced. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēffēc'tive, a. Not producing the desired effect; (of person) inefficient; lacking artistic effect. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-¹]

inēffēc'tūal, a. Without effect, fruitless. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-¹]

inēfficā'cious (-shus), a. (Of remedy etc.) not efficacious. [IN-¹]

inēffī'cient (-shent), a. (Of person) not fully capable, not well qualified; ineffective. Hence ~ENCY n., ~ENTLY² adv., (-shen-). [IN-¹]

inēlās'tic, a. Not elastic; unadaptable, unyielding. Hence **inēlās'tic'ity** n. [IN-¹]

inēl'égant, a. Ungraceful; unrefined; (of style) unpolished. Hence ~ANCE n., ~ANTLY² adv. [f. F *inēlégant* ELEGANT]

inēl'ig'ible, a. Not eligible (esp. of men unfit for military service). Hence ~IBIL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēlūc'table, a. That cannot be escaped from. [f. L *inēlūc'tabilis* f. *eluctari* struggle out, see -BLE¹]

inēpt', a. Out of place; absurd, silly. Hence or cogn. **inēpt'itude**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *inēptus*=*aptus* ART]

inēq'uable, a. Not uniform; of unequal incidence. [f. L *inaequabilis* uneven]

inēqual'itē (-ōl), n. Want of equality in magnitude, quality, rank, circumstances, etc.; variability; (of surface) irregularity; (Astron.) deviation from uniformity in motion of heavenly body. [f. OF *inequalité* f. med. L *inaequalitatem* QUALITY]

inēquillāt'eral, a. Of unequal sides. [IN-¹]

inēq'uitable, a. Unfair, unjust. Hence ~LY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēq'uity, n. Unfairness. [IN-¹]

inērad'icable, a. That cannot be rooted out. Hence ~LY² adv. [IN-¹]

inērr'iable, a. Not liable to err. Hence or cogn. ~ABIL'ITY, ~ANCE, nn., ~ABLY² adv., ~ANT a. [f. L *inērrabilis* f. *errare* ERR, see -BLE¹]

inērt', a. Without inherent power of action, motion, or resistance; without active chemical or other properties; sluggish, slow. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *inērs*=*ertis* f. *ars* ART]

inērt'ia (-shia), n. (Physics) property of matter by which it continues in its existing state of rest or uniform motion in straight line, unless that state is changed by external force (also *vis inertiae* force of ~); inertness, sloth. [L, as prec.]

inēscāp'able, a. Not to be escaped. [IN-¹]

inēssēn'tial (-shal), a. Not indispensable. [IN-¹]

inēs'timable, a. Too great, intense, precious, etc., to be estimated. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *inēstimable*]

inēv'itable, a. Unavoidable, sure to happen, esp. the ~able; (colloq.) tiresomely familiar (the ~able Derby dog); (Critics' sl., of character-drawing, development of plot, etc.) so true to nature etc. as to preclude alternative treatment or solution, convincing. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABleness, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L *inēvitabilis* f. *evitare* avoid, see -BLE¹]

inēxāct' (-gz), a. Not exact. Hence **inēxāct'itude**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēxcūs'able (-za), a. (Of person, action, etc.) that cannot be justified. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *inēxcusabilis* EXCUSABLE]

inēxēc'utable (-gz), a. That cannot be carried out. [IN-¹]

inēxhaus'tible (-gzaw), a. That cannot be exhausted. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēx'orable, a. Relentless. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L *inēxorabilis* f. *exorare* entreat, ~ABLE¹]

inēxpēc'tant, a. Not expectant. [IN-¹]

inēxpēd'ient, a. Not expedient. Hence ~ENCY n. [IN-¹]

inēxpēn'sive, a. Cheap. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-¹]

inēxpēr'ience, n. Want of experience. So ~ED² (-st) a. [f. F *inēxpérience* EXPERIENCE]

inēxpērt', a. Unskilled. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF, f. L *inēxpertus* EXPERT]

inēx'piable, a. (Of offence) that cannot be expiated; (of resentment etc.) implacable. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *inēxpiabilis* EXPIABLE]

inēx'plicable, a. That cannot be explained or accounted for. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [F, f. L *inēxplicabilis* EXPLICABLE]

inēxplic'it, a. Not definitely or clearly expressed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-¹]

inēxplos'ive, a. Not explosive. [IN-¹]

inēxp'rēss'ible, a. & n. That cannot be expressed in words; (n. pl., joo.) trousers. Hence ~LY² adv. [IN-¹]

inēxp'rēss'ive, a. Not expressive; (arch.) inexpressible. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-¹]

inexpüg'nable, a. Impregnable, invincible, (lit. & fig.). [F, f. L *IN*⁴(*expugnabilis* f. *Expugnare* storm, see -BLE)]

inextén'sible, a. Not extensible. [IN-³]

inexting'uishable (-nggw-), a. Unquenchable (lit. & fig.). [IN-³]

inétr'icab|le, a. (Of place, state, etc.) that cannot be escaped from; (of knot, problem, etc.) that cannot be unravelled or solved. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *IN*⁴(*extricabilis* EXTRICABLE)]

infall'ibil|ism, n. Principle of the Pope's infallibility. So ~ISM n. [-ISM]

infall'ible, a. Incapable of erring; (of method, test, proof, etc.) unfailing. Hence ~IBL'ITY n. (esp. as attribute of the Pope speaking *ex cathedra*, defined 1870 by the Vatican Council), ~IBLY³ adv. [f. med. L *IN*⁴(*fallibilis* FALLIBLE)]

in'farnize, v.t. Render infamous. [f. L *IN*⁴(*famis* f. *fama* fame) infamous, see -IZE]

in'famous, a. Of ill fame, notoriously vile; abominable; (Law) deprived of all or some rights of citizen on account of ~crime. Hence or cogn. ~LY³ adv., in'famy¹ n. [f. med. L *infamosus* = L *infamis* (see prec.)]

in'fancy, n. Early childhood, babyhood; (Law) minority (to end of one's 21st year); early stage of development. [f. L *infantia* (foll., -ANCY)]

in'fant, n. Babe; child under 7 years of age; minor (under 21); ~school (for children, usu. under 7). [f. OF *enfant* f. L *IN*⁴(*fans* -ntis part. of *fari* speak)]

infán'ta, n. Daughter of king & queen of Spain or Portugal (usu. eldest daughter who is not heir to throne). So infán'te (-tã) n. (second son). [Sp., Port., f. L as prec.]

infán'ticide, n. Murder of infant after birth, esp. with mother's consent; custom of killing new-born infants. Hence or cogn. ~CIDE(1) n., ~cid'AL a. [f. LL *infanticidium* (as INFANT, see -CIDE(2))]

in'fantile, a. Of, as of, infants (~ile paralysis, a form of spinal meningitis); in its infancy. So ~INE¹ a. [f. LL *infantilis* (INFANT, -IL)]

infán'tilism, n. (med.). State of being mentally or physically undeveloped. [prec., -ISM]

in'fantrý, n. Foot-soldiers; mounted ~ (mounted for transit but fighting on foot); ~man (-an), soldier of ~ regiment. [f. F *infanterie* f. It. *infanteria* (infante youth, foot-soldier, as INFANT, see -RRY)]

infát'ü|ate, v.t. Affect (person) with extreme folly; inspire with extravagant passion. Hence ~ätédly³ adv., ~'ATION n. [f. L *IN*⁴(*fatuare* f. *fatuus* foolish), see -ARE³]

infect', v.t. Fill (air etc.) with noxious corruption or germs; affect (person, body, mind, with disease etc. lit. & fig.); imbue

(person with opinion etc.). So inféc'tive a., inféc'tiveness, inféc'tiv'ITY, nn. [f. L *IN*⁴(*ficere* sect- = *facere* make) taint]

inféc'tion, n. Communication of disease, esp. by agency of atmosphere or water (cf. CONTAGION); moral contamination; diffusive influence of example, sympathy, etc. [F, f. LL *infectionem* (as INFECT, see -ION)]

inféc'tious (-shus), a. Infecting with disease, pestilential; (of disease) liable to be transmitted by air or water (cf. CONTAGIOUS); (of emotions etc.) apt to spread, catching. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [prec., -IOUS]

infelicit'ic, a. Producing unhappiness. [IN-³]

infeli'citous, a. Not felicitous. [IN-³]

infeli'city, n. Unhappiness; misfortune; inaptness of expression etc. [f. L *IN*⁴(*felicitas* FELICITY)]

infer', v.t. (-rr-). Deduce, conclude, (thing, that, when, etc.; from fact etc.); imply. Hence in'ferable a. [f. L *IN*⁴(*ferre* bring)]

in'ference, n. Inferring; thing inferred. Hence in'feren'tial (-shal) a., in'feren'tial'LY⁴ adv. [f. med. L *inferentia* (as prec., see -ENCE)]

in'fer'ior, a. & n. 1. Situated below (~LIMIT¹); lower in rank, quality, etc. (to, or abs.); of poor quality; (of planets) whose orbit lies within that of the earth; (Bot., of calyx) below ovary, (of ovary) below calyx; (Print.) placed at bottom of ordinary letters (e.g. H₂, C₂). 2. n. Person ~ to another esp. in rank (kind to ~s). Hence in'feri'or'ITY n. (~ity complex, abnormal reactions, such as assertiveness or megalomania, from suppressed sense of ~ity, (pop.) sense of ~ity), ~LY³ adv. [L, comp. of *inferus* low]

in'fern'al, a. Of hell; hellish, fiendish; (colloq.) abominable, confounded; ~ machine, apparatus (usu. disguised) for producing explosion destructive of life or property. Hence ~ITY (-äl') n., ~LY³ adv. [F, f. L *infernalis* (infernum situated below, see -AL)]

in'fern'ö, n. (pl. ~s). Hell (esp. w. reference to Dante's *Divine Comedy*); scene of horror. [It., f. L *infernum*, see prec.]

in'fer'able, a. = INFERRABLE.

infér'tile, a. Not fertile. So infér'til'ITY n. [F, f. LL *IN*⁴(*fertilis* FERTILE)]

infést', v.t. (Of vermin, pirates, diseases, etc.) haunt, swarm in or about, (place). So ~'ATION n. [f. L *infestare* assail (infestus hostile)]

infeudä'tion, n. Enfeoffment; ~ of tithes, granting of tithes to laymen. [f. med. L *infeudatio* f. *IN*⁴(*feudare* f. *feudum* fee), see -ATION]

infibulä'tion, n. Fastening of sexual organs with clasp to prevent cohabitation. [f. rare infibulare v. f. L *IN*⁴(*fibulare* f. *fibula*), -ATION]

in'fidel, n. & a. 1. Disbeliever in religion; (Hist.) adherent of religion opposed to Christianity; (from Jewish or Mohammedan point of view) disbeliever in the true religion; (gen.) unbeliever. 2. adj. Unbelieving, of unbelievers. Hence ~*ism* (3) v.t. & i. [f. OF *infidèle* f. L *in*² *fidelis* faithful f. *fides* faith]

infidel'ity, n. Disbelief in Christianity; disloyalty, esp. (also *conjugal* ~) to husband or wife. [f. L *infidelitas* (as prec., see -*ry*)]

in'field, n. Farm land around or near homestead; arable land; land regularly manured & cropped; (Cricket) part of the ground near the wicket, or fieldmen stationed there (opp. *OUTFIELD*). [IN³]

in'fight'ing (-it-), n. Boxing at closer quarters than arm's length. [IN²]

infil'trate, v.t. & i. Introduce (fluid) by filtration (*into, through*); permeate (t. & i.) by filtration. Hence ~*ation* n. (esp. Mil. & Pol., gradual unobserved occupation of ground or territory by detached parties or settlers). [IN⁻¹]

in'finite, a. & n. Boundless, endless; very great; (w. pl. noun) innumerable, very many; (Gram., of verb parts) not limited by person or number, e.g. infinitive, gerund, supine (cf. *FINITE*); (n.) the I~, God; the ~, ~ space. Hence ~*ly*² (-tl-) adv. [f. L *in*² *finitus* FINITE]

infinite'simal, a. & n. Infinitely or very small (amount); ~ *calculus*, the differential & integral calculus conceived as one. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [as prec. on CENTESIMAL etc.]

infin'itive, a. & n. (gram.). (Verb-form) that expresses the verbal notion without predicating it of any subject (e.g. *see, to see*). Hence infinitiv'AL a. [f. L *in*⁻² (*finitivus* f. *finire* -it- define, see -IVE)]

infin'itude, n. Boundlessness; boundless number or extent (*of*). [as INFINITE, -*tude*]

infin'ity, n. =prec.; (Math.) infinite quantity (symbol: ∞). [f. F *infinité* f. L *infinitas* (as INFINITE, see -*ty*)]

infirm', a. Physically weak, esp. through age; (of person, mind, judgement, etc.) weak, irresolute (often ~ *of purpose*). Hence ~*ity* n., ~*ly*² adv. [f. L *in*² *firmus* FIRM²]

infirm'ary, n. Hospital; sick-quarters in school, workhouse, etc. [f. med. L *infirmaria* (as prec., see -*ary*)]

infix'¹, v.t. Fix (thing in another); impress (fact etc. in mind); (Gram.) insert (formative element) in body of word. [IN adv.]

in'fix'², n. (gram.). Modifying element infix in word. [IN⁻¹, after *prefix, suffix*]

inflame', v.t. & i. 1. Set ablaze; light up (as) with flame; excite passionately (~*d with, by*); raise (body, blood, etc.) to morbid heat; aggravate; catch fire; become excited; become morbidly ~*d*. [f. OF

enflammer f. L *in*¹ (*flammare* f. *flamma* flame)]

inflamm'able, a. & n. Easily set on fire; easily excited; (n.) ~able substance. Hence ~*ability*, ~*ableness*, nn. [f. L as prec., see -*ble*]

inflammā'tion, n. Inflaming (lit. & fig.); morbid process affecting a part of the body with heat, swelling, pain, & redness. [f. L *inflammatio* (as prec., see -*ation*)]

inflamm'atory, a. Tending to inflame with desire or passion (usu. in bad sense); of, tending to, inflammation of the body. [f. L as INFLAME, see -*ory*]

inflāte', v.t. Distend with air or gas; puff up (person *with* pride etc.); (Finance) resort to inflation of (the currency, or abs.); raise (price) artificially; (p.p., of language) bombastic. So inflā'tion n. (in vbl senses, & esp.) abnormal increase of the currency, e.g. by the issue of inconvertible legal-tender notes, inflāt'or² n. [f. L *in*¹ (*flare* blow), see -*ate*²]

inflect', v.t. Bend inwards, curve; (Gram.) vary termination of (word) to express grammatical relation; (Mus.) flatten, sharpen, (note). [f. L *in*¹ (*flectere* flex- bend)]

inflec'tion, =INFLEXION.

inflec'tive, a. (gram.). Of inflexion. [-IVE]

inflex'ible, a. Unbendable; (fig.) unbending, rigid. Hence ~*ibility* n., ~*ibly*² adv. [f. L *in*² (*flexibilis* FLEXIBLE)]

infle'xion (-kshon), n. Inflecting; inflected form of word; suffix etc. used to inflect; modulation of voice; (Geom.) change of curve from convex to concave. Hence ~*al*, ~*less*, aa., (-kshon-). [f. L *inflectio* (as INFLECT, see -*ion*)]

inflict', v.t. Lay on (stroke, wound, upon); impose (suffering, penalty, oneself, one's company, etc., upon). Hence or cogn. ~*able* a., inflic'tion n. (esp., trouble-some or boring experience), ~*or*² n. [f. L *in*¹ (*figere* flict- dash)]

inflowes'cence, n. (bot.). Arrangement of flowers of plant in relation to axis & to each other; collective flower of plant; flowering (also fig.). [f. L *in*¹ (*florescere* come into flower f. *flos floris*), see -*escent*, -*ence*]

in'flow (-ō), n. Flowing in. So ~*ing*^{1,2} (-ōing) u. & a. [IN adv.]

in'fluence (-lōb-), n., & v.t. 1. (Astrol.) flowing from stars of ethereal fluid affecting character & destiny of man (also fig. of personal power); action insensibly exercised (*upon*); UN²DU²E ~, see UN⁻¹(1); ascendancy, moral power, (*over, with, person* etc.); thing, person, exercising (usu. non-material) power; (Electr.) = INDUCTION. 2. v.t. Exert ~ upon, have effect upon. [(vb f. n.) F, f. LL *influencia* f. L *in*¹ (*fluere* flow), see -*ence*]

in'fluent (-lōb-), a. & n. Flowing in (lit. & fig.); (n.) tributary stream. [f. L as prec., see -*ent*]

influen^tial (-lōēnshāl), a. Having great influence. Hence ~LY² adv. [INFLUENCE, -AL]

influen^tza (-lōō-), n. Infectious febrile disorder, usu. with rapid prostration & severe catarrh; (also ~ cold) severe catarrh; (fig.) mental or commercial epidemic. [It., as INFLUENCE]

in flux, n. Flowing in, esp. of stream etc. (into river etc.), or of persons or things (into place etc.). [f. LL IN¹ (fluxus FLUX)]

inform¹, v.t. & i. Inspire, imbue, (person, heart, thing, with feeling, principle, quality, etc.); tell (person of thing, that, how, etc.), so ~ANT n.; bring charge (against person). [f. OF *enformer* f. L IN¹ (formare f. forma form) give shape to, fashion]

inform¹al, a. Not according to due form; without formality. Hence ~ITY (-āl²) n., ~LY² adv. [IN-²]

inform¹ation, n. Informing, telling; thing told, knowledge, items of knowledge, news, (on, about); (Law) charge, complaint, lodged with court or magistrate (against). Hence ~AL a. [f. OF *enformacion* f. L *informationem* (as INFORM, see -ATION)]

inform¹ative, a. Giving information, instructive. So ~ORY a. [-ATIVE]

informed¹ (-md), a. Instructed, knowing the facts, educated, intelligent, esp. well, ill, ~. [-ED¹]

inform¹er, n. One who informs against another, esp. (also common ~) one who makes it his business to detect offenders & lay information against them. [-ER¹]

in¹fra, adv. (abbr. *inf.*). Below, lower down, further on, (in book), as *vide* ~, see below. [L, =below]

infra- in comb. = L *infra* below; used esp. in anat. terms in sense 'below, under, some part', as ~renal, ~scapular, ~sternal, beneath the kidneys, shoulder-blade, breast-bone; ~red¹, of invisible rays beyond red end of spectrum.

infrac¹tion, n. Violation, infringement. [f. L *infractio* (as INFRINGE, see -ION)]

in¹fra dig¹, pred. a. Beneath one's dignity, unbecoming. [abbr. L *infra dignitatem*]

in¹fralapsar¹ian, n. & a. Calvinist who held that God's election of some was consequent to his prescience of the Fall, or that it contemplated man as already fallen (cf. *SUBLAPSARIAN*, *SUPRALAPSARIAN*); (adj.) of these views. [f. *INFRA* + L *lapsus* fall + *ARIAN*]

infrēq¹uent, a. Not frequent. Hence or cogn. ~ENCY n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L IN² (frequens FREQUENT¹)]

infringe¹ (-j), v.t. Transgress, violate, (law, oath, etc.). Hence ~MENT (-jm-) n. [f. L IN¹ (fringere fract- = frangere break)]

infruct¹uous, a. Unfruitful; (fig.) fruitless. [IN-³ + fructuosus]

infundib¹ular, a. Funnel-shaped. [f. L

infundibulum funnel (used in E of parts of body) f. IN¹ (fundere pour)]

infur¹iāte, v.t. Fill with fury, enrage. [f. med. L IN¹ (furiare f. furia FURY), see -ATE²]

infuse¹ (-z), v.t. & i. Pour (thing into); (fig.) instil (grace, spirit, life, etc., into); steep (herb, tea, etc.) in liquid to extract its soluble properties, whence ~ER¹ (2) (-z-) n.; (v.i.) undergo infusion (*let it ~e for five minutes*). [f. L IN¹ (fundere fus-pour)]

infus¹ible (-z-), a. That cannot be fused or melted. Hence ~IBL¹ITY n. [IN-²]

infu¹sion (-zhn), n. Infusing (lit. & fig.); liquid extract thus obtained; infused element, admixture. [f. L *infusio* (as INFUSE, see -ION)]

infusor¹ia, n. pl. Class of protozoa found in infusions of decaying animal or vegetable matter. Hence ~IAL a., ~IAN, infusor¹Y, aa. & nn. [mod. L (INFUSE, -ORY)]

-ing¹, suf. forming vbl nn., OE *-ung*, *-ing*, f. O'Fent. *-unga*. *-ing* orig. formed niere nn. of action (*asking*), but came in ME to acquire partly vbl (gerundial) character, being qualified by adv. (*the habit of speaking loosely*) or governing an object (*the idea of building him a house*). This use, peculiar to E, led to introduction of perfl., fut., & pass. forms (*having killed*, *being killed*). The substantival nature of *-ing* is marked by the possess. case or adj. that often precedes it (*after John's behaving so badly*, *upon my granting the request*); but mod. tendency is to drop the possess. sign exc. with pronn. or single nn. Meanings: (1) vbl action (*bicycling*, *forebodings*), esp. as occupation (*banking*) or as inflicted (*thrashing*), also perh. f. nn. (*soldiering*); (2) thing produced by vbl action (*carving*, *filings*, *building*); (3) material for (*sacking*), whether f. n. or vb (*fencing* = what fences or serves as fence); (4) what is used to do vbl action (*binding*, *dentist's filling*); (5) what is to be operated on (*washing*, *darning*); (6) set or arrangement of (*colouring*, *feathering*).

-ing², suf. of pres. part. (often used as adj.), as *charming*, sometimes as prep. or adv., as *during*. OE *-ende* (cf. OIIG *-anti*, L *-ent*, Gk *-ont*, Skr. *-ant*) was weakened to *-inde* & thus confused with *-inge* -ING¹, which became the regular form in 14th c. As result of the confusion, some constructions gerundial in orig. now appear participial, as *he went hunting* (i.e. on hunting, vbl n.), *the ark was building* (on building). On the other hand, some wds in *-ing* that might be explained as attrib. nouns in -ING¹ are perh. better regarded as quasi-pass. participles (*washing* tie, *cooling* apple, *breech-loading* gun). Comps are formed with advv. & adjj. (*well-meaning*, *fair-seeming*; for stress cf. -ED³), & with objective nn. (*cheese-paring*,

heart-breaking; stressed on first component).

-ing¹, suf. (-*ing*, -*ung*, in other Teut. langg.) forming a n. w. sense 'one belonging to', 'one having the quality of'; also used as patronymic & dim. Exx.: *Atheling*, *king*, *shilling*, *farthing*, *Riding*, *gelding*, *hering*, *whiting*.

in'gathering (in-gād-), n. Gathering in, harvest.

ingēm'ināte (-j-), v.t. Repeat, reiterate, (esp. ~ *peace*, constantly urge it). [f. L *IN* (*geminare* f. *geminus* twin)]

ingēm'ious (-j-), a. Clever at contriving; cleverly contrived. Hence ~*LY*² adv. [f. L *ingeniosus* (*ingenium* cleverness, see -OUS)]

ingénue (see Ap.), n. Artless girl, esp. as stage type. [F]

ingēnū'ity (-j-), n. Skill in contriving. [f. L *ingenuitas* ingenuousness (as foll., see -TY); E meaning by confusion of *INGENIOUS* w. foll.]

ingēm'uous (-j-), a. Open, frank; innocent, artless. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *IN* (*genus* f. *gen-* begot) free-born, frank]

ingest (-j-), v.t. Take in (food) to the stomach. So **ingēs'tion** (-schon) n., **ingēs'tive** a. [f. L *IN* (*gerere* *gest-* carry)]

ingle (ing'g), n. Fire burning on hearth; ~*nook*, chimney-corner. [Sc.; etym. dub.]

inglor'ious (in-g-), a. Shameful, ignominious; obscure. Hence ~*LY*² adv. [f. L *IN* (*gloriosus* GLORIOUS)]

in'going (in-g-), a. & n. Going in; sum paid for fixtures, improvements, etc., by incoming tenant of business or other premises.

ing'ot (-ngg-), n. Mass (usu. oblong) of cast metal, esp. of gold, silver, or steel. [perh. f. *IN* adv. + *goten* p.p. of OE *geotan* cast]

ingrain (in-grān before noun, in-grān' after n. or in pred.), a. Dyed in grain; inherent, inveterate, ingrained. [orig. two wds]

ingrained (in-grānd before noun, -and' elsewhere), a. Deeply rooted, inveterate; thorough. Hence **ingrain'edly**¹ (in-g-) adv. [prob. var. of *enprained*]

in'grāte (in-g-), a. & n. (arch.). Ungrateful; (n.) ungrateful person. [f. L *IN* (*gratus* grateful)]

ingrā'tiāt (in-grāsh-), v.t. Bring oneself into favour with. Hence ~*INGLY*² adv. [prob. f. 18th-c. It. *ingratiare* f. L *in gratiam* into favour, see -ATE¹]

ingrāt'itude (in-g-), n. Want of gratitude. [F, f. LL *ingrātudo* (as *INGRATE*, see -TUD)]

ingravē'scent (in-g-), a. (med.). (Of disease etc.) growing worse. So ~*ENCE* n. [f. L *IN* (*gravescere* f. *gravis* heavy), see -ENT]

ingrād'ient (in-g-), n. Component part, element, in a mixture. [f. L *IN* (*gradī* *gress-* = *gradī* step) enter, see -ENT]

in'gress (in-g-), n. Going in; right of entrance. [f. L *ingressus* -ūs (as prec.)]

in'growing (-n-grōl-), a. Growing inwards, esp. (of nail) growing into the flesh. So **in'growth** (in-grōth) n. [IN adv.]

ing'uinal (-nggw-), a. Of the groin: [f. L *inguinalis* (*inguen* -inis groin, see -AL)]

ingū'gitiāte (-n-g-), v.t. Swallow greedily; (fig.) engulf. So ~*ATION* n. [f. L *IN* (*gurgitare* f. *gurgis* -itis whirlpool), see -ATE¹]

inhāb'it, v.t. (Of men or animals) dwell in, occupy, (region, town, house; also fig.). Hence or cogn. ~*ABLE* a., ~*ANT*, ~*ATION*, nn. [f. OF *enhabiter*, f. L *IN* (*habitare* dwell, see HABIT)]

inhāb'itancy, n. Residence as inhabitant, esp. during specified period, so as to acquire rights etc. [ANCY]

inhāle, v.t. Breathe in (air, gas, etc., or abs.), take (esp. tobacco-smoke or abs. of this) into the lungs (also fig.). So **inhāl'ation**, **inhāl'ER**¹(2), nn. [f. L *IN* (*halare* breathe)]

inhārmōn'ic, a. Not harmonic. [IN-²]

inhārmōn'ious, a. Not harmonious. Hence ~*LY*² adv. [IN-²]

inhē're, v.i. (Of qualities etc.) exist, abide, in; (of rights etc.) be vested in (person etc.). So ~*ENCE* n., ~*ENT* a., ~*ENTRY*² adv. [f. L *IN* (*haerere* haes- stick)]

inhē'rit, v.t. Receive (property, rank, title) by legal descent or succession; derive (quality, character) from one's progenitors; (abs.) succeed as heir. Hence ~*OR*², ~*RESS*¹, **inhē'ritrix**, nn. [f. OF *EN* (*heriter* put in possession as heir f. LL *hereditare* f. *heres* -edis heir)]

inhē'ritable, a. Capable of inheriting or of being inherited (lit. & fig.). Hence ~*ABIL'ITY* n. [AF (as prec., see -ABLE)]

inhē'ritance, n. Inheriting; what is inherited (lit. & fig.). [f. AF *enheritance* (as prec., see -ANCE)]

inhē'sion (-zhn), n. Inhering. [f. LL *in haesio* (as *INHERE*, see -ION)]

inhib'it, v.t. Forbid, prohibit, (person etc. from doing; esp. in Eccl. Law); forbid (ecclesiastic) to exercise clerical functions; hinder, restrain, (action, process). So **inhibi'tion** n., (in vbl senses, & esp. Psych.) instinctive or induced habitual shrinking from some impulse or action as a thing forbidden, ~*ORY* a. [f. L *IN* (*hibere* *hibit* = *habere* hold)]

inhōs'pitable, a. Not hospitable; (of region, coast, etc.) not affording shelter etc. Hence ~*LENESS* n., ~*LY*² adv. [OF (IN-²)]

inhōspitāl'ity, n. Being inhospitable. [f. L *IN* (*hospitalitas* HOSPITALITY)]

inhūm'an, a. (Of person or conduct) brutal, unfeeling, barbarous, so ~*ITY* (-ānt) n., ~*LY*² adv.; not of the ordinary human type. [f. L *IN* (*humānus* HUMAN)]

inhūm'e, v.t. Bury. Hence ~*ATION* n. [f. L *IN* (*humare* f. *humus* ground)]

inim'ical, a. Hostile (*to*); harmful (*to*). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [*f. LL inimicalis f. IN²amicus = amicus friend*, see -AL]

inim'itable, a. That defies imitation. Hence ~LENESS n., ~LY² adv. [*f. L IN²imitabilis IMITABLE*]

iniqu'uitý, n. Unrighteousness, wickedness; gross injustice. Hence ~OUS a., ~OUSLY¹ adv. [*f. OF iniquité f. L iniquitatem f. IN²iquus = aequus just*, see -TY]

ini'tial (-shal), a. & n., & v.t. (-il-). 1. Of, existing or occurring at, the beginning, as ~ stage, expenses, difficulties; ~ letter (standing at beginning of word). 2. n. ~ letter, esp. (pl.) first letters of person's name & surname. 3. v.t. Mark, sign, with ~s. Hence ~LY² adv. [(vb f. n.) *f. L initials f. initium f. IN²ire it-go*, see -AL]

ini'tiâte¹ (-shi-), v.t. Begin, set going, originate; admit (person), esp. with introductory rites or forms, (*into* society, office, secret, *in* mysteries, science, etc.). So ~ATION, ~ATOR, ~ATRIX, nn., ~ATORY (-shya-) a. [*f. L initiare (as INITIAL)*, see -ATE¹]

ini'tiate² (-shi-), a. & n. (Person) who has been initiated. [as prec., see -ATE¹]

ini'tiative (-shya-), n. & a. 1. First step, origination; take the ~, take the lead (*in doing*); have the (power, right, to take the) ~, (Mil.) be able to make enemy conform to one's movements; right of citizen(s) outside legislature to originate legislation (as in Switzerland). 2. adj. Beginning, originating. [as noun, *f. F*] as prec., see -IVE]

ini'tio (-shiô), adv. At the beginning (*in reference to* passage in book etc.; abbr. *init.*). [*L*]

in'ject¹, v.t. Drive, force, (fluid, medicine, *into* cavity etc.) as by syringe; fill (cavity etc. *with*) by ~ing. Hence in'ject'or² n. [*f. L IN²icere ject- = jacere throw*]

in'jection, n. Injecting; liquid or solution injected. [*f. L injectio (as prec., see -ION)*]

injudi'cious (-jóôdishus), a. Unwise, ill-judged. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [*IN²*]

injun'ction, n. Authoritative admonition or order; judicial process restraining person from wrongful act or compelling restitution etc. to injured party, whence in'junct¹ v.t. (colloq.). [*f. LL injunctio f. injungere ENJOIN*, see -ION]

in'jure (-jer), v.t. Do wrong to; hurt, harm, impair. [back formation *f. INJURY*]

in'jured (-jerd), a. Wronged; showing sense of wrong, offended, as *in an ~ voice*. [p.p. of prec.]

injur'ious (-oor-), a. Wrongful; (of language) insulting, calumnious; hurtful. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [*f. F injurieux f. L injuriosus (as foll., see -OUS)*]

in'jury, n. Wrongful action or treatment; harm, damage. [*f. L IN²uria f. jus juris right*] wrong.]

injüs'tice, n. Want of equity, unfairness; unjust act; *you do him an ~* (Judge him unfairly). [*F, f. L IN²justitia JUSTICE*]

ink, n., & v.t. 1. Fluid (black, red, etc.) for writing with pen; MARKING-; (*printer's ~*) viscous paste similarly used in printing; black liquid ejected by cuttle-fish etc. from bladder (~bag) to assist its escape; ~bottle, ~pot (for holding ~); ~horn, small vessel of horn formerly used for holding ~; ~pad (for ~ing rubber stamp etc.); ~stand, stand for one or more ~-bottles, often with pen-tray etc.; ~well (pot fitted into hole in desk). 2. v.t. Mark (*in, over, etc.*) with ~; cover (types etc.) with ~ so as to print from them. Hence ~INESS n., ~LESS, ~Y², a. [(vb f. n.) *f. OF enque f. LL encastum f. Gk ephkauston (as ENCAUSTIC)* purple ~ used by Roman emperors for signature; *It. inchostro* follows L accent]

ink'er, n. Telegraph instrument recording message in ink; (*Print. etc.*) inking-roller. [-ER¹]

ink'ling, n. Hint, slight knowledge or suspicion, (*of*). [*f. obs. or dial. inkle hint, get a notion of, etym. dub.*]

in'land (-and, -ând), n., a., & adv. 1. Interior of country. 2. adj. Placed in this, remote from sea or border; carried on within limits of a country, as ~ trade, ~ duty (on ~ trade), || ~ revenue (consisting of taxes & ~ duties). 3. adv. In, towards, the interior. Hence ~ER²(4) n., ~ISH¹ a. [*IN²*]

in'law, n. (colloq.). (*Usu. pl.*) relative by marriage. [*IN prep.*]

inlay¹, v.t. (*inlaid*). Embed (thing *in* another) so that their surfaces are even; ornament (thing with another inlaid); insert (page, plate, cut) in space cut in larger stouter page. [*IN²*]

in'lay² (or inlâ), n. Inlaid work. [*f. prec.*]

in'lét, n. Small arm of sea, creek; piece inserted. [*IN adv. + LET² v.*]

in'lier, n. (geol.). Space occupied by one formation & completely surrounded by later formation. [*IN adv.*]

in'ly, adv. (poet.). Inwardly, in the heart; intimately. [*OE innlice (IN¹, see -LY²)*]

in'lying, a. Lying inside. [*IN adv.*]

in'mâte, n. Occupant (of house etc.), esp. one of several. [*IN adv.*]

in'môst (or -ost), a. Most inward; (fig.) deepest, most intimate. [*OE innemest (IN adv., see -MOST)*]

inn, n. Public house for lodging etc. of travellers; ~keeper, one who keeps an ~; || *Inns of Court*, (buildings in London belonging to) four legal societies having exclusive right of admitting persons to practise at bar (*Inner Temple, Middle Temple, Lincoln's Inn, Gray's Inn*); || *Inns of Chancery*, buildings in London formerly used for residence of law students, societies occupying these. [*OE, f. IN adv.*]

innāte' (or *in*'), a. Inborn, natural. Hence ~LY² (-tī-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. LL *in*¹ (*natus* p.p. of *nasci* be born)]

innā'v'igable, a. Not navigable. [f. L *in*² (*navigabilis* NAVIGABLE)]

inn'er, a. & n. 1. Interior, internal; ~ *tube*, separate inflatable tube inside cover of pneumatic tire; the ~ *man*, man's soul or mind, (joc.) stomach, as *refreshed his ~ man*. 2. n. Division of target next outside bull's-eye, shot that strikes this. Hence ~MOST a. [OE *innera* a., compar. of *in*²]

innērv'āte, v.t. Supply (organ etc.) with nerve-force or nerves. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *in*¹ + NERVE + ATE³]

inn'ings (-z), n. (pl. same, colloq. ~es). 1. (Cricket etc.) portion of game played by either side while in or batting, play of one batsman during his turn. 2. (fig.) Tenure of office, dominance, of political party, cause, etc. [orig. pl.; in sense 1 sing. *inning* is usu. in U.S.; f. *in* adv. + -ING¹]

inn'ocent, a. & n. 1. Free from moral wrong, sinless; not guilty (of crime etc.); (colloq.) *windowless ~* (of without) *glass*; simple, guileless; harmless. 2. n. ~ person, esp. young child; *I~s' Day*, Dec. 28, festival of the slaughter of children by Herod (*Math.* ii. 16); || (Parl. sl.) *massacre of the ~s*, sacrifice of measures at end of session for want of time; simple person; idiot. Hence or cogn. **inn'ocence**, -ENCY (rare), nn., ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *in*² (*nocentem* part. of *nocere* hurt)]

innōc'uous, a. Not injurious, harmless (esp. of snakes). Hence **innocū'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *in*² (*nocuus* as prec.) + OUS]

innōm'inate, a. Unnamed; (Anat.) ~ bone, hip-bone (made up of three original bones). [f. L *in*² (*nominatus*, as NOMINATE)]

inn'ov'āte, v.i. Bring in novelties; make changes *in*. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~āTOR³, nn., ~āTORY a. [f. L *in*² (*novare* make new f. *novus*), see -ATE³]

innō'xious (-kshus), a. Harmless. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *in*² (*noxius* NOXIOUS)]

innūēn'dō, n. (pl. ~es), & v.i. Oblique hint, allusive remark (usu. deprecatory); (v.i.) make ~es. [(vb f. n.) L gerund of *in*² (*nuere* nod), = by nodding, i.e. by way of explanation, as 'he, innuendo the plaintiff']

innūm'erable, a. Countless. [f. L *in*² (*numeralis* NUMERABLE)]

innūtri'tion, n. Lack of nutrition. [IN-²]

innūtri'tious (-shus), a. Not nourishing. [IN-²]

inobērv'ance (-z), n. Inattention; non-observance (of law etc.). [F, f. L *in*² (*ob-servantia* OBSERVANCE)]

inōccūp'ation, n. Want of occupation. [IN-²]

inōc'ūl'āte, v.t. Impregnate (person,

animal, *with virus* or germs of disease) to induce milder form of it & so safeguard person against its attacks; implant (disease etc.) thus (*on, into*, person etc.); insert (bud, scion) in plant, treat (plant) thus. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~āTOR³, nn., ~āTIVE a. [f. L *in*² (*oculare* f. *oculus* eye, bud) engraft, see -ATE³]

inōd'orous, a. Having no odour. [f. L *in*² (*odorus* ODOROUS)]

inoffēn'sive, a. Unoffending; not objectionable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [IN-²]

inoff'icious (-shus), a. Without office or function; (Law) not in accordance with moral duty. [f. L *in*² (*officiosus* dutiful, see OFFICIOUS)]

inōp'erable, a. (Of tumours etc.) that cannot be operated on. [IN-²]

inōp'erative, a. Not working or taking effect. [IN-²]

inōpp'ortune, a. Unseasonable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *in*² (*opportunus* OPPORTUNE)]

inōrd'inate, a. Immoderate, excessive; intemperate; disorderly. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *in*² (*ordinatus* p.p. of *ordinare* f. *ordo* -*dinis* order)]

inōrgān'ic, a. Having no organized physical structure; (Chem., of compounds etc.) of mineral origin, not ORGANIC; ~ *chemistry*, that of ~ substances; not arising by natural growth, extraneous. [IN-²]

inōrganizā'tion, n. Lack of organization. [IN-²]

inōrnāte', a. Not ornate. [IN-²]

inōs'cūl'āte, v.i. & t. (Of blood-vessels etc.) join, have terminal connexion, (*with*); (of fibres etc.) unite closely, be interwoven; (trans.) unite (fibres etc.) closely. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *in*¹ + L *osculare* furnish with mouth (*osculum* dim. of *os* mouth), -ATE³]

in'pouring (-pōr-), a. & n. Pouring in.

in'quēst, n. Legal or judicial inquiry to ascertain matter of fact; = CORONER's ~; *great, last*, ~, last Judgement; coroner's jury; *grand ~*, grand jury (*grand ~ of the nation*, House of Commons). [f. OF *en-queste* f. med. L *inquesta* as INQUIRE]

inqui'etude (in-kw-), n. Uneasiness of mind or body. [f. LL (-do) f. *in*² (*quies* QUIET), -TUDE]

inqui'f'e, en-, (in-kw-), v.i. & t. Make search (into matter); seek information (of person, *about, after*, thing etc.); ~ *after, for, him* (how he is); ask *for* (goods in shop etc.); ask to be told (person's name, business, etc., *whether, how*, etc.). Hence ~ingLY² adv. [ME *enquerre* f. OF *enquerre* f. com.-Rom. *inquerere* -*quest* = L *in*² (*quirere* *quisit* = *quaerere* seek); wholly (in-) or partly (en-) refash. on L] **inquit'f'y**, en-, (in-kw-), n. Asking; question; investigation; make ~ies, ask (*about* etc.); *court of ~y* (investigating

charge against officer or soldier). [f. prec. + -Y⁴]

inquis'ition (in-kwiz-), n. Search, investigation; judicial or official inquiry; (Rom. Cath.) the I~, ecclesiastical tribunal for suppression of heresy, the Holy Office. Hence ~AL (in-kwizish-) a. [OF, f. L *inquisitionem* (as INQUIRE, see -ION)]

inquis'itive (in-kwiz-), a. Inquiring, curious; prying. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF (-if, -ive), f. LL *inquisitivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

inquis'itor (in-kwiz-), n. Official investigator; officer of the Inquisition; *Grand I~*, director of court of Inquisition in some countries; *I~ General*, head of this in Spain. [f. OF *inquisiteur* f. L *inquisitorem* (as INQUIRE, see -OR²)]

inquisitor'ial (in-kwiz-), a. Of, like, an inquisitor; offensively prying. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. mod. L *inquisitorius* (as prec., see -ORY) + -AL]

in'road, n. Hostile incursion, raid; (fig.) forcible encroachment. [IN adv. + ROAD¹ n. in sense 'riding']

in'rush, n. Rushing in. [IN adv.]

insal'iv'ate, v.t. Mix (food) with saliva. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. IN-¹ + SALIVA + -ATE³]

insalub'r'ious (-lōō-), a. (Of climate or place) unhealthy. So ~ITY n. [f. L IN² (*salubris* SALUBRIOUS)]

insāne', a. Mad; senseless; ~ *asylum* (for ~ persons). Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-nl-) adv., insān'ity n. [f. L IN² (*sanus* SANE)]

insān'itary, a. Not sanitary. [IN-³]

insā'tiable (-sha-), a. That cannot be satisfied; inordinately greedy (of). Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv., (-sha-). [f. L IN² (*satiabilis*, as SATIATE, see -BLE)]

insā'tiate (-shyat), a. Never satisfied. [f. L IN² (*satiatus*, as prec.)]

inscribe', v.t. Write (words etc. in, on, stone, metal, paper, etc.); enter name of (person) on list; || (esp. in p.p.) issue (loan) in form of shares with registered holders, as ~ed stock; mark (sheet, tablet, etc., with characters); (Geom.) trace (figure) within another so that some particular points of it lie in the boundary of that other, whence ~ABLE a. [f. L IN² (*scribere* script- write)]

inscription, n. Words inscribed, esp. on monument, coin, etc., so ~AL (-shon-), inscrip'tive, aa.; inscribing (of loan). [f. L *inscriptio* (as prec., see -ION)]

inscrut'able (-rōō-), a. That cannot be penetrated (fig.), wholly mysterious. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABleness, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. LL IN² (*scrutabilis* f. *scrutari* search, see -BLE)]

in'sect, n. Small invertebrate animal, usu. with body divided into segments & several pairs of legs, esp. (Zool.) one with body divided into three regions (head, thorax, abdomen), six legs upon thorax, & (usu.) two or four wings; (fig.) insigni-

ficant person or creature; ~-powder (for killing or driving away ~s). Hence ~IV'ORA n. pl., insēc'tivore n., ~IV'OROUS a. (f. L *insectum* (animal) notched animal, f. IN¹ (*secare* sect- cut))

insēctār'ium, n. Place for keeping insects. [-ARIUM]

insēc'ticide, n. Insect-killer, esp. preparation used for killing insects. Hence ~cid'AL a. [-CID-]

insēctōl'ogy, n. Science of insects, esp. in their economic relations to man. [f. F *insectologie* (as INSECT, see -o- & -LOGY)]

insēcūr'e', a. Unsafe; (of foe, ground, etc.) liable to give way. Hence or cogn. ~e'LY² (-rl-) adv., ~'ITY n. [f. LIN² (*securus* SECURE)]

insēm'in'ate, v.t. Sow (seed etc., lit. & fig., in). Hence ~A'TION n. [f. L IN¹ (*seminare* f. *semen* -minis seed), see -ATE³]

insēn'sate, a. Without sensibility, unfeeling; stupid; without physical sensation. Hence ~LY² (-tl-) adv. [f. LL IN² (*sensatus* f. *sensus* SENSE, see -ATE³)]

insēnsibil'ity, n. Lack of mental feeling or emotion; indifference (fo); unconsciousness, swoon. [f. LL *insensibilitas* (as foll., see -TY)]

insēn'sible, a. Too small or gradual to be perceived, inappreciable, whence ~LY² adv.; unconscious, as *he fell down & was long ~le*; unaware (of, to, how, etc.); emotionless, callous. [f. L IN² (*sensibilis* SENSIBLE)]

insēn'sitive, a. Not sensitive (to touch, sight, light, mental or moral impressions). Hence ~NESS n. [IN-²]

insēn'tient (-shi-), a. Inanimate. [IN-³]

insēp'arable, a. & n. That cannot be separated; (Gram.) ~able prefix, one that cannot be used as separate word (e.g. *dis-, mis-, un-*); (n., usu. pl.) ~able person or thing, esp. friend. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L IN² (*separabilis* SEPARABLE)]

insērt', v.t. Place, fit, thrust, (thing in, into, another, between edges etc.); introduce (letter, word, article, in, into, written matter, newspaper, etc.). [f. L IN¹ (*serere* sert- join)]

insērtion, n. Inserting; thing inserted, esp. in writing or print; ornamental needlework etc. inserted into plain material, as lace ~; (Anat.) mode of attachment of muscle, organ, etc. [f. L *insertio* (as prec., see -ION)]

in'sēt', n. Extra page(s) inserted in sheet or book; small map etc. inserted within border of larger; piece let into dress; pair of white slips worn as edging to waistcoat opening. [IN adv. + SET n.]

insēt'², v.t. (~ or ~ed). Put in as an inset. [IN adv. + SET v. or f. prec.]

in'shōre', adv. & a. Close to shore; ~ of, nearer to shore than. [IN¹]

inslde, n., a., adv., & prep. 1. n. (In'sid'). Inner side or surface, (of path) side next

to wall or away from road; inner part, interior; (insid') stomach & bowels (colloq.); || the *in'side'* (middle part) of a week; (insid') passenger travelling ~ coach etc.; turned *in'side out*, so that inner side becomes outer. 2. adj. (in'sid). Situated on or in, derived from, the ~ (~ *information*, not accessible to outsiders). 3. adv. (insid'). On or in the ~; (colloq.) ~ of (in less than) a week. 4. prep. (insid'). On the inner side of, within. [IN a. +SIDE]

insid'er, n. One who is in some society, organization, etc. (cf. OUTSIDER); one who is in the secret. [f. prec. + -ER¹]

insid'ious, a. Treacherous, crafty; proceeding secretly or subtly, as ~ disease. Hence ~LY² adv. ~NESS n. [f. L *insidiosus* cunning f. IN¹(*sidias* f. *sedere* sit) ambush, see -OUS]

in'sight (-it), n. Penetration (*into* character, circumstances, etc.) with the understanding. [IN adv. + SIGHT]

insig'nia, n. pl. Badges, distinguishing marks, (of office, honour, etc.). [L, neut. pl. of IN¹(*signis* f. *signum* SIGN¹) distinguished]

insignif'icant, a. Unimportant, trifling; inconspicuous; meaningless. Hence ~ANCE, ~ANCY, nn., ~ANTLY² adv. [IN-³]

insincere, a. Not sincere, disingenuous. Hence ~LY² (-ri-) adv., **insinc'erity** n. [f. L IN¹(*sincerus* SINCERE)]

insin'uate, v.t. Introduce (thing, oneself, *into* place; oneself, person, *into* favour, office, etc.) gradually or subtly; convey indirectly, hint obliquely, (idea, *that*). Hence ~ATINGLY² adv., ~'ATION, ~'ATOR², nn., ~'ATIVE a. [f. L IN¹(*sinuare* f. *sinus* -us curve), see -ATE²]

insip'id, a. Tasteless; wanting in flavour; lifeless, dull, uninteresting. Hence ~ITY (-id²), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. LL IN¹(*apidus* = *sapidus* well-tasting, f. *sapere* taste, be wise, see -ID²)]

insist, v.i. & t. Dwell long or emphatically (*on*), as ~ *on this point*, *on his unpunctuality*; maintain positively, as ~ *on his innocence*, ~ (*on it*) *that he is innocent*; make a stand on as essential (*I ~ on being present, on your being present, on your presence, on it that you shall be present*). Hence ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENT a., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L IN¹(*sistere* stand)]

insober'i'ety, n. Intemperance, esp. in drinking. [IN-³]

insol'a'tion, n. Exposure to sun's rays, for purposes of bleaching etc., as medical treatment, or as cause of disease. [f. L *insolatio* f. IN¹(*solare* f. *sol* sun), see -ATION]

insol'ent, a. Offensively contemptuous, insulting. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L IN¹(*solens* part. of *solere* be accustomed), see -ENT]

insol'u'ble, a. That cannot be solved; that cannot be dissolved. Hence ~SOLUB'ITY, ~SOLUBENESS, nn., ~SOLUBLY² adv. [f. L IN¹(*solubilis* SOLUBLE)]

insol'vent, a. & n. (Debtor) unable to pay debts; relating to ~s, as ~ *laws*. Hence **insol'vency** n. [IN-³]

insom'nia, n. Sleeplessness. [L, f. IN¹(*sonnis* f. *sonnus* sleep) sleepless]

insom'uch, adv. To such an extent *that*, **insouc'iant** (see Ap.), a. Careless, unconcerned. So ~ANCE n. [F (IN-³ + *souciant* part. of *soucier* care f. L *solicitare* disturb)]

insp'an, v.t. (S.-Afr.; -nn-). Yoke (oxen etc.) in team to vehicle; harness (wagon). [f. Du. IN¹(*spannen* SPAN²)]

insp'ect, v.t. Look closely into; examine officially. So **insp'ec'tion**, **insp'ec'tor**² (esp., police officer below superintendent & above sergeant), **insp'ec'torship**, nn., **insp'ec'toral**, ~OR'IAL, aa. [f. L IN¹(*spicere* spect-look)]

insp'ec'torate, n. Office of inspector; body of inspectors; district under inspector, esp. in Greenland. [-AT²]

inspira'tion, n. Drawing in of breath; inspiring; divine influence, esp. that under which books of Scripture are held to have been written, whether *verbal* ~ (dictating every word), *plenary* ~ (covering all subjects treated), or *moral* ~ (confined to moral & religious teaching), whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn.; thought etc. inspired, prompting; sudden happy idea; inspiring principle. Hence ~AL a. [OF, f. L *inspirationem* (as INSPIRE, see -ATION)]

in'spir'ator, n. Apparatus for drawing in air or vapour. [L (as foll., see -OR²)]

inspi're, v.t. Breathe in, inhale, (air etc. or abs.), whence ~'ATORY a.; infuse thought or feeling into (person; esp. of divine or supernatural agency; often in p.p.); animate (person etc. *with* feeling); infuse (feeling *into* person etc.), create (feeling in person); *an ~ed article* (in journal), one secretly suggested by or emanating from influential person etc. [f. OF *inspirer* f. L IN¹(*spirare* breathe)]

inspi'rit, v.t. Put life into, animate; encourage (person to action, to do). Hence ~ING² a. [IN-¹ + SPIRIT n.]

inspiss'ate (or *in*), v.t. Thicken, condense. So ~'ATION n. [f. LL IN¹(*spissare* f. *spissus* thick), see -ATE²]

instabil'ity, n. Lack of stability (usu. fig. of moral qualities etc.). [f. F *instabilité* f. L *instabilitatem* f. IN¹(*stabilis* STABLE¹), see -TY]

install (-awl), v.t. Place (person *in* office or dignity) with ceremonies, whence ~ANT (-awl-) a. & n.; establish (person, oneself, *in* place, condition, etc.); place (heating or lighting apparatus etc.) in position for use. So ~'ATION n. [f. med. L IN¹(*stallare* f. *stallum* STALL²)]

instal'ment (-awi-), n. Each of several parts, successively falling due, of a sum payable; each of several parts supplied etc. at different times. [f. obs. IN¹(*stall* v. arrange, fix) + -MENT]

in'stance¹, *n.* Fact illustrating a general truth, example; particular case (*in your, this, ~*); *for ~*, as an example; *at the ~* (request, suggestion) of; (Law) process, suit, as *court of first ~* (primary jurisdiction); *in the first ~*, in the first place, at the first stage of a proceeding. [F, f. L. *instantia* presence, urgency, pleading, objection to general statement, ~ to the contrary (as **INSTANT**¹, see -ANCE)]

in'stance², *v.t.* Cite (fact, case) as an instance; (usu. pass.) exemplify. [f. prec.]

in'stancy, *n.* Urgency. [as prec., -ANCY]

in'stant¹, *a.* Urgent, pressing; (abbr. *inst.*) of the current month, as *the 6th inst.* (cf. **PROXIMO**, **ULTIMO**); immediate. [F, f. L. *in*¹ (*stare* stand) be present, press upon, see -ANT]

in'stant², *n.* Precise (esp. the present) point of time, moment, as *come this ~*, *I went that ~ or on the ~*; *I told you the ~* (as soon as) *I knew*; short space of time, moment. [prec. as *n.*]

instantané (see **AP.**), *n.* Snap-shot, (fig.) short sketch in a few sentences. [F]

instantanéous, *a.* Occurring, done, in an instant; (Dynam.) existing at a particular instant. Hence ~**LY**² *adv.*, ~**NESS** *n.*

[**INSTANT**² + -ANEOUS, after *momentaneous*]

instan'ter, *adv.* Immediately, at once, (now usu. *loc.*). [L. *f. instans INSTANT¹]*

instantly, *adv.* At once. [**INSTANT**¹ + -**LY**¹]

instaurá'tion, *n.* Restoration, renewal. So **in'staurátor**² *n.* [f. L. *instauratio f. in*¹ (*staurare*, see **RESTORE** & -ATION)]

instead¹ (-*əd*), *adv.* As a substitute or alternative; in place of, as ~ of *this*, ~ of *going*, you should be out ~ of (*sitting*) *on this fine day*, (also *in his, my, our, STEAD*). [IN prep. + **STEAD** *n.*]

in'stép, *n.* Upper surface of foot between toes & ankle; part of shoe etc. fitting this; ~shaped thing. [f. 16th c.; etym. dub.]

in'stigá'te, *v.t.* Urge on, incite, (person to action, to do usu. something evil); bring about (revolt, murder, etc.) by persuasion. So ~**ATION**, ~**ATOR**², *nn.* [f. L. *instigare*, cf. Gk. *stizeō* prick, root *stig-*, see -ATE²]

instill¹ (*l*), *v.t.* (-*l*). Put in (liquid into thing) by drops; infuse (feeling, ideas, etc. into person, mind, etc.) gradually. Hence or cogn. **instilla'tion**, **instill'ment**, *nn.* [f. L. *in*¹ (*stillare* drop)]

in'stinct¹, *n.* Innate propensity, esp. in lower animals, to certain seemingly rational acts performed without conscious design; innate impulse; intuition, unconscious skill. Hence **instinc'tive** *a.*, **instinctively**² (-*vi*-) *adv.* [f. L. *instinctus* -*as f. in*¹ (*stinguere* *stinct*-prick) incite]

instinct², *pred. a.* Imbued, charged, (*with* life, beauty, force, etc.). [f. L. *p.p.* as prec.]

in'stitú'te¹, *n.* 1. Society, organization, for promotion of scientific or other object; building used by this. 2. pl. Digest of ele-

ments of a subject, esp. of jurisprudence, as *I-**s** of Justinian*. [f. L. neut. *p.p.* as foll.]

in'stitú'te², *v.t.* Establish, found; set on foot (inquiry etc.); appoint (person to, into, benefice). [f. L. *in*¹ (*stituere* -*tut-* = *statuere* set up)]

institú'tion, *n.* Instituting; establishment (of person) in cure of souls; established law, custom, or practice; (colloq., of person etc.) familiar object; organization for promotion of some public object; building used by this. Hence ~**AL** (-*shon-*) *a.*, (also, of religion) organized into or finding expression through ~**s** (churches, priests, ritual, etc.). [OF, f. L. *institutio* (as prec., see -ION)]

instrúct', *v.t.* Teach (person etc. *in* subject); inform (person *that, when, etc.*); (of client, solicitor) give information to (solicitor, counsel); direct, command, (person to do). Hence or cogn. **instrúct'or**², **instrúct'ress**², *nn.* [f. L. *in*¹ (*struere* *struct-* pile up) build, teach]

instrúct'ion, *n.* Teaching; (pl.) directions, orders; (pl.) directions to solicitor or counsel. Hence ~**AL** (-*shon-*) *a.* [OF, f. L. *instructionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

instrúct'ive, *a.* Tending to instruct, conveying a lesson. Hence ~**LY**² *adv.*, ~**NESS** *n.* [-IVE]

in'strument (-*rōb-*), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Thing used in performing an action; person so made use of; tool, implement, esp. for delicate or scientific work; (also *musical* ~) contrivance for producing musical sounds by vibration of strings etc. (*stringed* etc. ~*s*) or of body of air in pipe etc. (*wind* ~*s*); formal, esp. legal, document. 2. *v.t.* Arrange (music) for ~*s*. [(*v.b f. n.*) F, f. L. *instrumentum* (as **INSTRUIT**, see -MENT)]

instrumén'tal (-*rōb-*), *a.* Serving as instrument or means (to purpose, in work, *in doing*); of, arising from, an instrument, as ~ *errors*; (of music) performed on instruments (cf. **VOCAL**), whence ~**IST**(3) *n.*; (Gram.) ~ *case* (denoting the instrument). Hence ~**LY**² *adv.* [F, f. med. L. *instrumentalis* (as **INSTRUMENT**, see -AL)]

instrumén'tál'ity (-*rōb-*), *n.* Agency, means, esp. *by the ~ of*. [-ITY]

instrumén'tál'ity (-*rōb-*), *n.* Arrangement of music for instruments; study of character, power, pitch, etc., of musical instruments; operation with surgical or other instrument; instrumentality. [F, f. *instrumenter* (as **INSTRUMENT**), see -ATION]

insubórd'iná'te, *a.* Disobedient, rebellious. Hence ~**ATION** *n.* [IN-¹]

insubstán'tial (-*shl*), *a.* Not real; lacking solidity or substance. Hence ~**ITY** (-*shl*al) *n.* [f. LL *in*¹ (*substantialis* **SUBSTANTIAL**)]

insúff'erá'ble, *a.* Unbearable, intolerable. Hence ~**LY**² *adv.* [IN-²]

insuffi'cient (-shent), *a.* Not sufficient, inadequate. Hence or cogn. ~ENCY *n.*, ~ently² *adv.*, (-shen-). [OF, *f. L IN²(sufficienslem SUFFICIENT)*]

insufflät'e, *v.t.* Blow, breathe, (air, gas, etc.) into cavity of the body etc.; treat (nose etc.) thus. Hence ~OR²(2) *n.*, (also) device for blowing powder on to surface of object in order to make latent fingerprints visible. [*f. L IN¹(surflare blow upon)*, see -ATE³]

insufflä'tion, *n.* Blowing on or into; breathing on person as rite of exorcism. [*f. L insufflatio* (as prec., see -ION)]

insülar, *a.* Of (the nature of) an island; applied to a development of Latin handwriting current in the British Isles in the early Middle Ages; of, like, islanders, esp. narrow-minded, whence ~ISM *n.* Hence insülä'rity *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*f. L insularis* (as foll., see -AR³)]

insüläte, *v.t.* Make (land) into an island; detach (person, thing) from surroundings, isolate; isolate (thing) by interposition of non-conductors, to prevent passage of electricity or heat. Hence ~ATION, ~ütor²(2), *nn.* [*f. L insula* island + -ATE³]

insülin, *n.* A specific for diabetes extracted from the islets of Langerhans in the pancreas of animals. [*f. L insula* island + -IN]

insült¹, *n.* Insulting speech or action, affront. [*f. LL IN¹(sultus = saltus leap, as foll.)*]

insült², *v.t.* Treat with scornful abuse, offer indignity to; (of person or thing) affront. Hence ~ingly² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(sulare = saltare, frequent. of salire salt-leap)*]

insüper'able, *a.* (Of barriers etc. & fig. of difficulties etc.) that cannot be surmounted or overcome; || (rare) unsurpassable. Hence ~ABILITY *n.*, ~ABLY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(superabilis f. superare overcome, -BLE)*]

insuppört'able, *a.* Unbearable. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [*f. (IN-²)*]

insur'ant (-shoor-), *n.* Person to whom insurance policy is issued. [*f. foll. + -ANT*]

insur'e (-shoor-), *v.t.* Secure payment of sum of money in event of loss of or damage to (property, life; cf. ASSURANCE) by payment of premium; secure payment of (sum of money) thus (said of owner of the property or of insurance company); the~ed, the person to whom such payment is secured. Hence ~ABLE (-shoor-) *a.* [earlier ENSURE]

insur'er (-shoor-), *a.* One who insures property in consideration of premium, underwriter. [-ER¹]

insür'gent, *a. & n.* 1. Rising in active revolt; (of sea etc.) rushing in. 2. *n.* Rebel. Hence ~ENCY *n.* [*f. L IN²(surgere surrect-rise)*, see -ENT]

insurmoun'table (-ser-), *a.* Not to be surmounted. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [IN-²]

insurrec'tion (-su-), *n.* Rising in open resistance to established authority; incipient rebellion. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., ~IST(3) *n.*, (-urcksho-). [*F, f. rare L insurrectionem* (as INSURGENT, see -ION)]

insuscép'tible, *a.* Not susceptible (of treatment, to agency etc.). Hence ~IBILITY *n.* [IN-²]

intäct¹, *a.* Untouched; entire; unimpaired. [*f. L IN²(tactus p.p. of tangere touch)*]

inta'gliätèd (-täl-), *a.* Carved on the surface. [*f. It. intagliato p.p. of IN²(tagliare cut f. LL taleare f. talea twig) + ED¹*]

inta'gliö (-täl-), *n.* (pl. ~s), & *v.t.* Engraved design; carving in hard material; gem with incised design (cf. CAMBIO); (v.t.) engrave (material, design) thus. [(vb f. n.) It. (as prec.)]

intäke, *n.* Place where water is taken into channel or pipe from river etc.; airway in mine; abrupt narrowing in pipe, stocking, etc.; person(s) or thing(s) taken in or received; land reclaimed from moor. [IN *adv.* + TAKE *v.*]

intän'gible (-j-), *a.* That cannot be touched; impalpable; that cannot be grasped mentally. Hence ~IBILITY *n.*, ~IBLY² *adv.* [*f. med. L IN²(tangibilis TANGIBLE)*]

intéger, *n.* Whole number, undivided quantity, (cf. FRACTION); thing complete in itself. [*L, adj. = untouched, whole* (IN-³ + tag- root of tangere touch)]

intégral, *a. & n.* 1. Of, necessary to the completeness of, a whole; whole, complete; (Math.) of, denoted by, an integer, involving only integers; ~ calculus (dealing with finding & properties of ~s of functions, cf. DIFFERENTIAL). 2. *n.* Quantity of which a given function is the differential coefficient. Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-äl-) *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*f. LL integrabilis* (as prec., see -AL)]

intégrant, *a.* (Of parts) component, making up a whole. [as foll., see -ANT]

intégrate¹, *a.* Made up of parts; whole, complete. [as foll., see -ATE³]

intégrätèd, *v.t.* Complete (imperfect thing) by addition of parts; combine (parts) into a whole; (Math.) find the integral of; indicate mean value or total sum of (area, temperature, etc.), whence ~ätor²(2) *n.* Hence or cogn. ~ATION *n.*, ~äTive *a.* [*f. L integrare make whole* (INTEGER), see -ATE³]

intég'rity, *n.* Wholeness; soundness; uprightness, honesty. [*f. L integritas wholeness, purity*, (INTEGER, see -TY)]

intég'üment, n. Skin, husk, rind, or other (usu. natural) covering. Hence ~ARY¹ (-ón²) a. [f. L *integumentum* f. IN⁴ (*legere* cover), see -MENT]

in'tellect, n. Faculty of knowing & reasoning; understanding; person, persons collectively, of good understanding. [f. L *intellectus* -ús (as INTELLIGENT)]

intelléc'tion, n. Action, process, of understanding, esp. as opp. to *imagination*. So ~IVE a. [f. LL *intellectio* (as INTELLIGENT, see -ION)]

intelléc'tüal, a. & n. 1. Of, appealing to, requiring the exercise of, intellect. 2. (Person) possessing a good understanding, enlightened person, esp. *the ~s* (of a country etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-ál²), ~IZA'TION, nn., ~IZE(S) v.t. & i., ~LY² adv. [f. L *intellectualis* (as INTELLECT, see -AL)]

intelléc'tüalism, n. Doctrine that knowledge is wholly or mainly derived from pure reason. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

intell'igence, n. Intellect, understanding, whence **intelligén'tial** (-shál) a.; quickness of understanding, sagacity, (of person or animal); ~test; ~quotient, abbr. *I.Q.*, a number denoting the ratio of a given person's ~ to the normal or average; rational being; information, news, (*I~ Department*, engaged in collecting information esp. for mil. purposes). [F, f. L *intelligentia* (as INTELLIGENT)]

intell'igencer, n. Bringer of news, informant; secret agent, spy. [f. prec. + -ER¹]

intell'igent, a. Having or showing (usu. a high degree of) understanding. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *intelligere* understand (INTER- + *legere* gather, pick out, read), -ENT]

intelligent'sia, -zia, n. The part of a nation that aspires to independent thinking. [Russ. *intelligentsiya* f. It. *intelligenza* f. L as INTELLIGENCE]

intell'igible, a. That can be understood, comprehensible to; (Philos.) that can be apprehended only by the intellect, not by the senses. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L *intelligibilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

intem'perate, a. (Of person or conduct) immoderate, unbridled, violent; excessive in the indulgence of an appetite; addicted to drinking. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE n., ~ATELY² adv. [f. L IN⁴ (*temperatus*, as TEMPER v.)]

intend', v.t. Purpose, design, as *we ~ to go*, *we ~ no harm*, *we ~ that it shall be done today*, *was this ~ed* (done on purpose)?; design, destine, (person, thing) for a purpose, as *we ~ our son for the bar*, *~ him to go*, *~ it as a stop-gap*, *this bun is ~ed for you* (to eat), *this doubt is ~ed for* (meant to represent) *me*; mean, as *what exactly do you ~ by the word?* [f. F *entendre* f. L IN⁴ (*tendere* *tent-* or *tens-* stretch, tend) strain, direct, purpose]

intén'dan't, n. Superintendent, manager,

of public business etc. (chiefly as foreign title). Hence ~CY n. [F, f. L as prec., -ANT]

intén'ded, n. (colloq.). Affianced lover, as *your, his, her, ~*. [p.p. of INTEND as n.]

intend'ment, n. True meaning as fixed by law. [f. F *entendement* meaning (as INTEND, see -MENT)]

intense', a. (-er, -est). (Of quality etc.) existing in a high degree, violent, vehement; having some quality in high degree; (of feeling or action) eager, ardent; feeling, apt to feel, ~ emotion. Hence ~LY² (-sl-) adv., ~NESS (-sn-),

inténsivica'tion, intén'sity, nn., **inténsify** v.t. & i., (also, Photog.) increase the opacity of the deposit in a negative by chemical or other means. [F, as INTENS²]

intén'sion (-shn), n. Intensity, high degree, of a quality, opp. to *extension*; strenuous exertion of mind or will. [f. L *intensio* (INTEND, -ION)]

intén'sive, a. Of, relating to, intensity as opp. to extent; producing intensity; (Gram.) expressing intensity, giving force; concentrated, directed to a single point or area or subject, (~ *bombardment*, *study*); (Econ.) serving to increase production of given area, as ~ *methods*, *agriculture*; (Med.) ~ *inoculation* (in which intensity of matter introduced is increased in successive operations). Hence ~LY² (-vl-) adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. L as INTEND, see -IVE]

intént', n. Intention, purpose, esp. *with ~ to* (defraud etc.), *with malicious, good, etc., ~*; (pl.) *to all ~s & purposes*, practically, virtually. [ME & OF (1) *entent* f. L *intentus* -ús, (2) *entente* f. pop. L *intenta* fem. p.p., both as INTEND]

intént'², a. Resolved, bent, (*on doing, on object*); sedulously occupied (*on*); (of faculties, looks, etc.) earnest, eager. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L as INTEND; doublet of *intense*, L *tens-* having chiefly the physical, -*lent-* the mental senses]

intén'tion, n. Intending; thing intended, purpose, whence (-)~ED² (-shond) a.; ultimate aim; (pl., colloq.) purposes in respect of proposal of marriage; (Med.) *second ~*, healing of wound by granulation, *first ~*, healing without this by immediate re-union of parts; (Logic) conception, as *first ~s*, primary conceptions of things (e.g. a tree, an oak), *second ~s*, secondary conceptions (e.g. difference, identity, species); (Theol.) *special, particular, ~*, special object for which mass is celebrated etc. [OF, f. L *intentionem* (as INTEND, see -ION)]

intén'tional (-shon-), a. Done on purpose. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *intentionalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

intér'¹, v.t. (-rr-). Deposit (corpses etc.) in earth, tomb, etc.; bury. [f. OF *enterrer* f. pop. L IN⁴ (*terrare* f. *terra* earth)]

in'ter^a, prep. (L). Between, among, as ~ *di'ta*, amongst other things; ~ *nōs*, *sē*, between ourselves, themselves; ~ *viv'ōs*, between the living (esp. of gift as opp. legacy).

inter, pref.-prec. Besides wds given in their alphab. place, *inter-* is used freely to form (1) vbs, nn., & aa., expr. mutual or reciprocal action or relation, or with sense 'among', 'between', as: ~*bed'*, embed (thing) between others; ~*cen'sal*, between two censuses; ~*collē'giate*, carried on etc. between colleges; ~*colum'nar*, placed, existing, between two columns; ~*columnia'tion*, placing of columns at intervals, such interval; ~*connect'*, connect by reciprocal links; ~*convert'ible*, interchangeable; ~*cross'*, t. & i., lay, lie, across each other, (cause to) propagate with each other; ~*flow*, n. & v.i., flow into each other; ~*grada'tion*, gradual approximation; ~*grade*, (v.i.) pass into another form by intervening grades, (n.) such grade; ~*growth'*, growing of things into each other; ~*jac'ulatory*, expressed in parenthetical ejaculations; ~*knit'*, intertwine; ~*lap'*, overlap; ~*link'*, link together (things, one with another); ~*ocean'ic*, between, connecting, two oceans; ~*plait'*, plait together; ~*provin'cial*, situated, carried on, between provinces; ~*punct'ion*, punctuation; ~*punct'uate*, punctuate; ~*ra'cial*, existing between different races; ~*shoot'*, shoot or glance (t. & i.) at intervals, variegate (thing with colour etc., esp. in p.p. ~*shot*); *in'terspace*, interval of space or time; ~*tan'gle*, tangle together, whence ~*tan'glement* n.; ~*tex'ture*, interweaving; ~*trib'al*, existing between different tribes; ~*twist'*, twist together; ~*vein'*, intersect (as) with veins; ~*work'*, (trans.) interweave lit. & fig., (intr.) work upon each other; ~*wreathe'*, wreath together. (2) Scientific, esp. anat., wds w. sense 'between', chiefly adj., as: ~*artic'ular*, between contiguous surfaces of a joint; ~*cos'tal*, between the ribs (of body or ship), (n. pl.) ~*costal* parts; ~*di'gital*, between fingers or toes; ~*di'gitate*, interlock like fingers of clasped hands, so ~*digita'tion* n.; ~*fa'cial*, included between two faces of crystal or other solid; ~*sem'oral*, between the thighs; ~*folia'ceous*, placed alternately between a pair of opposite leaves; ~*gla'cial*, between glacial periods; ~*lob'ular*, between lobes; ~*in'ternode*, (Bot.) part of stem between two of the knots from which leaves arise, (Anat.) slender part between two joints, esp. bone of finger or toe; ~*oss'eous*, between bones; ~*par'ietal*, between right & left parietal bones of skull; ~*sep'al*, between partitions; ~*spin'al*, ~*spin'ous*, between spines or spinous processes; ~*stell'ar*, between stars; ~*strati'fication*,

~*strat'ified*, interspersed, interspersed, (with strata).

in'teract', n. Interval between two acts of play; interlude. [INTER-, after F ENTR'ACTE]

interact', v.i. Act reciprocally, act on each other. Hence *interac'tion* n., *inter-act'ive* a. [INTER-]

interblēnd', v.t. & i. Mingle (things, one with another); (intr.) blond with each other. [INTER-]

interbreed', v.t. & i. Cross-breed; (intr., of animals of different race or species) breed with each other. [INTER-]

interc'alar'y, a. (Of day or month) inserted in calendar to harmonize calendar with solar year; (of year) having such additions; interpolated, intervening. [f. L *intercalarius* (as foll., see -ARY¹)]

interc'alāte, v.t. Insert (intercalary day etc., or abs.); interpose (anything out of ordinary course, esp. in p.p. of strata). So ~*ATION* n. [f. L INTER(*calare* proclaim), see -ATE¹]

intercēde', v.i. Interpose on behalf of another, plead (with one person for another). [f. L INTER(*cedere* cess- go) intervene]

inter|cēpt', v.t. Seize, catch, (person etc.) on the way from place to place; cut off (light etc. from); check, stop; (Math.) mark off (space) between two points etc. Hence or cogn. ~*cēp'tion*, ~*cēp'tor*^a, nn., ~*cēp'tive* a. [f. L INTER(*cipere* cept- = capere take)]

inter|cē'sion (-shn), n. Interceding, esp. by prayer. So ~*cēss'or*^a n., ~*cēssōr'ial*, ~*cēss'ory*, aa. [f. L *intercessio* (as INTERCEDE, see -ION)]

in'terchāge¹ (-j), n. Reciprocal exchange (of things) between two persons etc.; alternation. [f. OF *entrechange* (as foll.)]

interchāge² (-j), v.t. (Of two persons) exchange (things) with each other; put each of (two things) in the other's place; alternate. Hence or cogn. ~*abil'ity*, ~*ableness*, nn., ~*ABLE* a., ~*ably¹* adv., (-jab-). [f. OF *entrechangier* (entre- INTER- + *changier* CHANGE)]

intercolōn'ial, a. Existing, carried on, between different colonies. [INTER-]

in'tercōm, n. System of intercommunication esp. in aircraft. [abbr.]

intercommun'ic|āte, v.i. Have mutual intercourse; have free passage to each other. So ~*ATION* n. [INTER-]

intercommun'ion (-yon), n. Intimate intercourse; mutual action or relation. [INTER-]

intercommun'ity, n. Being common to various parties; having things in common. [INTER-]

in'tercourse (-ōs), n. Social communication, dealings, between individuals; com-

munion between man & God; communion for trade purposes etc. between different countries etc.; sexual connexion. [f. OF *entrecours* f. *entrecorre* run between f. L *INTER(currere curs- run)*]

intercúrr'ent, a. (Of time or event) intervening; (of disease) occurring during progress of another, (also) recurring at intervals. Hence ~ENCE n. [f. L as prec., -ENT]

interdépénd', v.i. Depend on each other. So ~pén'dENCE, -ENCY, nn., ~pén'dENtA., ~pén'dentiY^a adv. [INTER-]

interdict', n. Authoritative prohibition; (Sc. Law) = INJUNCTION; (R.-C. Ch.) sentence debarring person or place from ecclesiastical functions etc. [f. OF *entredit* f. *entredire* f. L *INTER(dicere dict- say)*]

interdict', v.t. Prohibit (action); forbid use of; restrain (person from doing); forbid (thing to person). So **interdic'tion** n., **interdic'tory** a. [ME *entredien* (as prec.), refash. on L]

Interést', n. 1. Legal concern, title, right, (in property); pecuniary stake (in commercial undertaking etc.); VESTED ~s. 2. Advantage, profit, as *it is (to) your ~ to go, I do it in your ~, in the ~ (or ~s) of truth*. 3. Thing in which one is concerned; principle in which a party is concerned; party having a common ~, as *the brewing ~*. 4. Selfish pursuit of one's own welfare; *make ~, bring personal ~ to bear (with person)*. 5. Concern, curiosity, or quality exciting them (*take an ~, no ~, in; this has no ~ for me*). 6. Money paid for use of money lent or for forbearance of debt (*with ~, transf., with increased force etc., as returned the blow, his kindness, with ~*); *simple ~* (reckoned on principal only, & paid at fixed intervals); *compound ~* (reckoned on principal & on accumulations of ~). [L, = it matters, 3rd sing. pres. of *INTER(esse be)*; earlier *interest* f. L inf. in sense compensatory payment]

Interést', v.t. Cause (person) to take personal interest or share (in); (p.p.) having a private interest, not impartial or disinterested, as *~ed parties, motives*; excite curiosity or attention of, whence ~ING^a a. (|| *in an ~ing condition*, pregnant), ~INGLY^a adv. Hence ~ÉDIY^a adv. [earlier *interest* (vb f. n.) as prec.]

Interfère', v.i. (Of things) come into collision or opposition (with); (of person) meddle (with or abs.), whence ~fÉRING^a a.; intervene, take part, (in); (Physics, of waves of light etc.) strike against each other; (of horse) knock one leg against another. Hence ~fÉRENCE n. [f. OF *s'entreféris* strike each other (*entre-INTER-+féris* f. L *ferre strike*)]

Interférom'eter, n. Instrument for measuring the length of light-waves by means of interference phenomena. [prec. + -METER]

Interfluent (-ô-), a. Flowing into each other. [f. L *INTER(fluere flow)*, see -ENT]

Interfûse' (-z), v.t. & i. Interperse, mix, (thing with); blend (things) together; (of two things) blend with each other. So **Interfû'sion** (-zhn) n. [f. L *INTER(fundere fus- pour)*]

Interim, adv., n., & a. 1. adv. (arch.). Meanwhile. 2. n. Intervening time; *the I~* (Eccl.), truce pending a General Council between German Protestants & the Papacy in 16th c. 3. adj. Intervening; provisional, temporary; ~ *dividend* (paid between two annual etc. balances & not in pursuance of a published balance-sheet). [L (*INTER* + adv. suf. -im)]

Inter'ior, a. & n. 1. Situated within; inland, remote from coast or frontier; internal, domestic, opp. to *foreign*; existing in mind or soul, inward. 2. n. ~ part, inside; inland region; inside of building or room, picture of this; inner nature, soul; (department dealing with) home affairs of a country, as *Minister of the I~*. Hence ~LY^a adv. [L, compar. adj. f. *INTER*]

Interjacent, a. Lying between, intermediate. [f. L *INTER(jacere lie)*, see -ENT]

Interject', v.t. Throw in, interpose, (remark etc.) abruptly; remark parenthetically. [f. L *INTER(jicere ject- = jacere throw)*]

Interjection, n. Ejaculation, exclamation; natural ejaculation viewed as part of speech (e.g. *ah!*, *whew!*). Hence or cogn. ~AL (-shon-), **interject'ory**, aa., ~ALY^a adv. [F, f. L *interjectionem* (prec., -ION)]

Interlâce', v.t. & i. Bind together intricately, entangle; interweave (often fig.); mingle (two things, one with another); (intr.) cross each other intricately. Hence ~MENT (-am-) n. [f. F *entrelacer* (*entre-INTER-+lacer lace*)]

Interlard', v.t. Mix (writing, speech, with foreign words etc.). [f. F *entrelarder* (*entre-INTER-+larder lard*)]

Interleaf, n. (pl. -ves). Extra leaf (usu. blank) between leaves of book. [INTER-]

Interleave', v.t. Insert (usu. blank) leaves between leaves of (book), (also fig.). [f. prec.]

Interline', v.t. Insert words between lines of (document etc.); insert (words) thus. So **Interlinéa'tion** n. [prob. f. med. L *INTER(lineare f. LINEA LINE)*]

Interlin'ear, a. Written, printed, between the lines. [f. med. L *INTER(linearis LINEAR)*]

Interlock', v.i. & t. (Intr.) engage with each other by overlapping etc.; (trans., usu. pass.) look, clasp, within each other; (Railways) connect (levers for signals etc.) by bolts etc. to ensure uniformity of movement. [INTER-]

Interloc'utor, n. One who takes part in dialogue or conversation; compère of *negger minstrel troupe*; *my ~tor*, the

person in conversation with me. Hence or cogn. **interlocu'tion**, ~**trēs**¹, ~**trix**, **na.**, ~**tory** a., (also) pronounced during course of a legal action (an ~**tory decree**). [f. **L** **INTER**(*loqui locut-* talk), see **-ION**]

in'terlōper, n. Intruder, one who (esp. for profit) thrusts himself into others' affairs; (Hist.) unauthorized trader. So **interlōpe**' v.i. [**INTER-** + **loper** f. *lope* dial. form of **LEAP**]

in'terlude (-lōd), n. Pause between acts of play; what fills this up; (Mus.) instrumental piece played between verses of psalm or hymn etc.; intervening time or space of different character; event, amusing incident, etc., interposed; (Hist.) dramatic or mimic representation between acts of mystery-plays or moralities. [f. med. **L** **INTER**(*ludium* f. *ludus* play)]

Internā'rriage (-rī), n. Marriage between members of different families, castes, tribes, etc., or (loosely) between near relations. [**INTER-**]

Internā'rriy, v.i. (Of tribes, nations, families, etc.) become connected by marriage (with other tribes etc.). [**INTER-**]

Internē'dle, v.i. Concern oneself (with, in, esp. what is not one's business). [f. **OF** *entremesler* (*entre-* **INTER-** + *mesler* MEDDLE)]

Internē'diary, a. & n. 1. Acting between parties, mediatory; intermediate. 2. n. ~ person, thing, esp. mediator. [f. **INTER-** **MEDIUM**, ~**ARY**¹]

Internē'diate¹, a. & n. Coming between two things, as regards time, place, or order; (n.) ~ thing. Hence ~**LY**¹ (-tl-) adv. [f. med. **L** *intermediatus* f. **L** **INTER-**(*medius* middle), ~**ATE**¹]

Internē'diate², v.i. Act between others, mediate, (between). Hence ~**A'TION**, ~**ATOR**², **nn.** [**INTER-**]

Internē'dium, n. (pl. ~**ia**, ~**iums**). Intermediate thing, medium, esp. one serving to transmit energy through space. [**L**, neut. adj. as **INTERMEDIATE**¹]

Internē'ent, n. Burial. [**INTER**¹ + **-MENT**]

Internē'zzo (-dzō), n. (pl. ~**zi**, ~**zos**). Short light dramatic or other performance between acts of drama or opera, short movement connecting main divisions of large musical work. [It., pop. form of *intermedio* (as **INTERMEDIATE**¹)]

Intermigrā'tion, n. Reciprocal migration. [**INTER-**]

Internā'inable, a. Endless; tediously long. Hence ~**leness** n., ~**LY**¹ adv. [f. **L** **IN**²(*terminabilis* f. *terminare* **TERMINATE**, see ~**BLE**)]

Intermingle (-mīng'gl), v.t. & i. Mix together (two things, one with another); (intr.) mingle (with). [**INTER-**]

Internā'ssion (-shn), n. Pause, cessation, esp. without ~. [f. **L** *intermissio* (as foll., see ~**ION**)]

Intermit', v.t. & i. (-tt-). Suspend, discontinue; stop for a time (esp. of fever, pain, etc., or of pulse). Hence or cogn. ~**TENCE** n., ~**TENT** a., ~**TENTLY**¹ adv. [f. **L** **INTER**(*mittere* miss- send)]

Intermix', v.t. & i. Mix together. So ~**TURE** n. [first in p.p., see **MIX**]

Internā', v.t. Oblige to reside within limits of country etc. Hence ~**EE'** n., ~**MENT** n. (~**ment camp**, for prisoners of war & aliens). [f. **F** *interner* f. **L** *internus* internal (in + suf. ~**ternus**)]

***in'tern**², n. Advanced student or recent graduate residing in hospital & acting as assistant physician or surgeon. [after **F** *interné*]

Internā'l, a. & n. 1. Of, situated in, the inside of a thing; of the inner nature of a thing, intrinsic; ~ *evidence*, derived from what is contained in the thing itself (of **EXTERNAL**); ~ *combustion engine* (in which motive power is derived from explosion of mixture of gas, or vaporized oil or petrol, & air in the cylinder); of the domestic affairs of a country; of the mind or soul, inward, subjective. 2. n. pl. Intrinsic qualities. Hence ~**ITY** (-āl) n., ~**LY**² adv. [f. late mod. **L** *internalis* (as **INTERN**¹, see ~**AL**)]

Internā'tional (-shon-), a. & n. 1. Existing, carried on, between different nations; of the I~ Working Men's Associations (for promoting joint political action of working classes in all countries). 2. n. One who takes part in ~ (usu. athletic) contests; ~ contest; *first, second, third, I~*, three Associations as above (1st, Marxist, 1862-73; 2nd, French socialist, 1880 —; 3rd, Russian communist, abbr. *Comintern*, 1919-43); member of any of these. Hence ~**ITY** (-shonāl) n., ~**LY**² adv. [**INTER-**]

Internā'tionale' (-shonahl), n. *The ~*, (orig. French) communist song sung at demonstrations; = *International Association* (see prec.). [**F**]

Internā'tionalist (-shon-), n. One who advocates community of interests between nations, esp. supporter of Association named in prec., so ~**ISM** n.; one versed in international law. [-**IST**]

Internā'tionalizē (-shon-), v.t. Make international, esp. bring (territory etc.) under combined protection etc. of different nations. Hence ~**A'TION** n. [-**IZE**]

Internē'cine, a. Mutually destructive; (orig.) deadly, as ~ *war*. [f. **L** *internectinus* f. **INTER**(*necare* kill) destroy, see ~**INE**¹]

Internū'n'cial (-shal), a. (Of nerves) communicating between different parts of the system. [f. **L** as foll. + ~**AL**]

Internū'n'cio (-shō), n. Ambassador of Pope when or where no nuncio is employed; (Hist.) minister representing (esp. Austrian) government at Ottoman Porte.

[f. It. *internuntius* f. L. *INTER*(*nuntius* messenger)]

interôsculâte, v.l. Intermingle with each other; form connecting link. Hence ~*ATION* n. [*INTER-*]

interpâge, v.t. Print, insert, on intermediate pages. [*INTER-*]

interpâllâte, v.t. [In foreign, esp. French, Chamber] interrupt order of day by demanding explanation from (Minister concerned). So ~*ATION*, ~*ât'OR*², nn. [f. L. *INTER*(*pellare* var. of *pellere* drive), see -*ATE*³]

interpênêtrâte, v.t. & i. Penetrate thoroughly; pervade; penetrate reciprocally; (intr., of two) penetrate each other. So ~*ATION* n., ~*âtive* a. [*INTER-*]

in'terplay, n. Reciprocal play; operation of two things on each other. [*INTER-*]

interplead', v.l. Litigate with each other in order to settle a point in which a third party is concerned. [*INTER-*]

interp'olâte, v.t. Make insertions in (book etc.), esp. so as to give false impressions as to date etc.; introduce (words) thus; (Math.) insert (intermediate term) in series. So ~*ATION*, ~*âtOR*², nn. [f. L. *INTER*(*polare* cogn. w. *polire* POLISH³) furbish up, -*ATE*³]

interpôsê' (-z), v.t. & i. Insert, make intervene, (*between*); put forth, introduce, (*veto*, objection, authority, etc.) by way of interference; intervene (*between* disputants etc.); say (quoted words) as an interruption; make an interruption. Hence ~*AL* (-z) n. [f. F. *INTER*(*poser*, see COMPOSE)]

interposi'tion (-z), n. Interposing; thing interposed; interference. [F, f. L. *interpositionem* f. *INTER*(*ponere* posit- place)]

interp'rêt, v.t. & i. Expound the meaning of (abstruse words, writings, etc.); make out the meaning of; bring out the meaning of, render, by artistic representation or performance; explain, understand, in specified manner, as *this we ~ as a threat*; act as interpreter. Hence or cogn. ~*ABLE*, ~*ATIVE* (-âtiv), aa., ~*ATION* n. [f. F. *interpréter* f. L. *interpretari* f. *INTER*(*pres* -*pretis* cogn. w. SKR. *prath-* spread abroad) explainer, interpreter]

interp'rétier, n. One who interprets; one whose office it is to translate orally in their presence the words of persons speaking different languages. Hence ~*ersHIP*, ~*RSS*¹, nn. [f. OF *interprèteur* f. LL *interpretatorem* (as prec., see -*OR*²)]

interreg'num, n. (pl. -*na*, -*num*). Period during which State has no normal ruler, esp. between end of king's reign & accession of successor; interval, pause. [L. *INTER*(*regnum* REIGN)]

interrêlâ'tion, n. Mutual relation. [*INTER-*]

interrêlâ'tionship (-shon), n. Mutual relationship. [*INTER-*]

intêrrogât'e, v.t. Ask questions of (person etc.), esp. closely or formally. So ~*OR*² n. [f. L. *INTER*(*rogare* ask), see -*ATE*³]

intêrrogâ'tion, n. Asking questions; question; point, mark, note, of (used to express) ~ (1). [F, f. L. *INTER*(*rogationem* (as prec., see -*ATION*)]

interrôg'ative, a. & n. 1. Of, having the form or force of, a question; of inquiry, as *an ~ tone*; (Gram., of words) used in asking question, as ~ *pronouns* (*who?*, *which?*, etc.). 2. n. ~ word, esp. pronoun. Hence ~*LY*¹ (-vi-) adv. [f. LL *interrogativus* (as prec., see -*IVE*)]

interrôg'atory, a. & n. 1. Of inquiry, as *an ~ tone*. 2. n. Question, set of questions, esp. (Law) one formally put to accused person etc. [f. LL *interrogatorius* (as prec., see -*ORY*)]

interrüpt', v.t. Break in upon (action, process, speech, person speaking, etc., or abs.); obstruct (view etc.); break the continuity of. Hence or cogn. ~*rûp'tedly*² adv., ~*rûp'ter*¹, ~*rûp'tion*, nn., ~*rûp'tORY* a. [f. L. *INTER*(*rumpere* rupt-break)]

intersêct', v.t. & i. Divide (thing) by passing or lying across it; (of lines etc.) cross, cut, each other. [f. L. *INTER*(*secare* sect- cut)]

intersêc'tion, n. Intersecting; point, line, common to intersecting lines, planes. Hence ~*AL* (-shon-) a. [f. L. *intersectio* (as prec., see -*ION*)]

interspêrse', v.t. Scatter, place here & there (*between*, among); diversify (thing) with (others so scattered). So **interspêr'sion** (-shn) n. [f. L. *INTER*(*spargere* spers- = spargere scatter)]

***in'terstâte**, a. Existing, carried on, between States. [*INTER-*]

intêrs'tice (or *in'ter-*), n. Intervening space; chink, crevice. [f. L. *interstitium* f. *INTER*(*stare* stit- stand)]

interstî'tial (-shl), a. Of, forming, occupying, interstice(s). [as prec. + -*AL*]

intertwine', v.t. & i. Entwine (things, one with another); become entwined. Hence ~*MENT* (-nm-) n. [*INTER-*]

in'terval, n. Intervening time or space; pause; break, gap; at ~s, here & there, now & then; (Mus.) difference of pitch between two sounds, in melody or harmony; distance between persons or things in respect of qualities. Hence **intervâll'io** a. [f. L. *INTER*(*vallum* rampart) space between ramparts, interval]

intervên'se, v.l. Come in as something extraneous; occur in the meantime; (of person or thing) come between, interfere, so as to prevent or modify result etc. (*between* persons, in affair); (Law) interpose in lawsuit to which one was not an original party (esp. of King's Proctor in divorce cases), whence ~*RE*¹ n.; lie, be situated, *between*. So ~*INT* a., **intervên'tion** n. [f. L. *INTER*(*venire* vent- come)]

in'terview (-vū), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Meeting of persons face to face, esp. for purpose of conference; meeting between person employed by newspaper & someone from whom he seeks to get statements for publication. 2. *v.t.* Have an ~ with (person), esp. with a view to publication of his statements. Hence ~ER¹ (-vūr) *n.* [(*v.b. f. n.*) *f. F entrevue f. s'entrevoir (entre-INTER-+voir f. L videre see)*]

intervolve, *v.t.* Wind, roll up, (things) within each other. [*f. INTER-+L *volvere* roll*]

interweave, *v.t.* Weave together, interlace, (things, one with another); blend (things) intimately. [*INTER-*]

interwinc, *v.t.* & *i.* Wind together. [*INTER-*]

intēs'tate, *a.* & *n.* 1. (Of person) not having made a will, as he died ~. 2. *n.* ~ person. Hence intēs'tacy *n.* [*f. L IN²(testatus p.p. of testari make will f. testis witness)*]

intēs'tine¹, *n.* (Usu. pl.) lower part of alimentary canal from pyloric end of stomach to anus; *small, large, ~e*, parts of this. So ~AL (or -IN²) *a.* [*f. L neut. adj. as foll.*]

intēs'tine², *a.* (Of wars etc.) internal, domestic, civil; ~ motion (entirely within a body). [*f. L intestinus internal (intus within)*]

intimate¹, *a.* & *n.* 1. Close in acquaintance, familiar, as ~ friendship; ~ (close) connexion; ~ knowledge (resulting from familiarity); essential, intrinsic; (of diary) recording emotions etc. 2. *n.* ~ friend. Hence intimacy *n.*, (also, euphem.) illicit sexual relations, ~LY² (-tl-) *adv.* [foll., -ATE³]

intimate², *v.t.* Make known, state, (fact, wish, that); imply, hint. So ~ATION *n.* [*f. LL intimare (intimus inmost, -ATE³)*]

intim'idate, *v.t.* Inspire with fear, cow, esp. in order to influence conduct. Hence ~ATION, ~ATOR², *nn.* [*f. med. L IN¹(timidare f. timidus TIMID), see -ATE³*]

intim'ity, *n.* Inwardness; privacy. [*f. L intimus inmost, see -ITY*]

intinc'tion, *n.* Dipping of the Eucharistic bread in the wine, to enable the communicant to receive both kinds. [*f. LL intinctio f. IN¹(tingere tinct- TINGE)*]

intit'ile, *v.t.* Entitle (Act of Parliament, usu. p.p.). [*f. OF intituler f. LL IN¹(titulare f. titulus TITLE)*]

in'to (-tō, before consonant -te), *prep.* 1. Expr. motion or direction to a point within a thing, lit. & fig., as *come ~ the garden, throw it ~ the fire, look ~ the box, ~ the matter, inquire ~ it, get ~ trouble, come ~ (acquire) property, watching far on ~ the night*. 2. Expr. change, condition, result, as *turn stones ~ gold, collect them ~ Noah's Ark, have ~ three classes, flogged ~ students*. [*IN + TO*]

in'toed (-ōd), *a.* Having the toes turned inwards. [*IN adv. + TOE + -ED¹*]

intol'erable, *a.* That cannot be endured. Hence ~LENES *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(tolerabilis TOLERABLE)*]

intol'erant, *a.* Not tolerant (of, esp. religious opinions differing from one's own). Hence or COGN. ~ANCE *n.*, ~ANTLY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(tolerans TOLERANT)*]

in'tonate, *v.t.* =INTONE. [-ATE³]

intonā'tion, *n.* Reciting in singing voice; (Church Mus.) opening phrase of plain-song melody; utterance, production, of musical tones; modulation of voice, accent. [as foll., see -ATION]

intōne, *v.t.* Recite (psalm, prayer, etc., or abs.) in singing voice; utter with particular tone. [*f. L IN¹(tonare f. tonus TONE)*]

intōx'icant, *a.* & *n.* Intoxicating (liquor). [as foll., see -ANT]

intōx'icāte, *v.t.* Make drunk; excite, exhilarate, beyond self-control (~ated with, by). Hence ~ATING² *a.*, ~ATION *n.* [*f. med. L IN¹(toxicare smear with poison f. toxicum f. Gk toxikon f. toxa arrows, see -ATE³)*]

intra- in comb. = *L intra* on the inside, within, as: ~cran'ial, within the skull; ~mūr'al, existing, done, within walls; ~na'tional, (not inter)national.

intra'ctable, *a.* Not docile, refractory; (of things) not easily dealt with. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, *nn.*, ~ABLY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(tractabilis TRACTABLE)*]

intra'dūs, *n.* (archit.). Lower or interior curve of arch (of EXTRADOS). [*F (INTRA + dos back)*]

intran'sigent (-z), *a.* & *n.* 1. Uncompromising in politics. 2. *n.* An irreconcilable (in politics). So ~ENCE *n.* [*f. F intransigent f. Sp. los intransigentes extreme republicans f. IN- + L TRANS- (igere = agere act) come to an understanding, see -ENT*]

intran'sitive (-ahns-), *a.* & *n.* (Verb) that does not take a direct object (cf. TRANSITIVE). Hence ~LY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(transitive TRANSITIVE)*]

in'trant, *n.* One who enters a college, association, etc. [*f. L intrare enter, see -ANT*]

intrép'id, *a.* Fearless, brave. Hence intrép'id'ITY *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [*f. L IN²(trepidus alarmed)*]

intric'ate, *a.* Perplexingly entangled; involved; obscure. Hence ~ACY *n.*, ~ATELY² *adv.* [*f. L IN¹(tricare f. tricare tricks, see -ATE³)*]

in'trig(u)ant (-gant; or āntregahn'), *n.* (fem., ~e, pr. āntregahn'). Intriguer. [*F (-guant), part. as foll.*]

intrigue¹ (-ēg), *v.i.* & *t.* Carry on underground plot; employ secret influence (with); have a liaison (with); (as journalistic gallicism, *v.t.*) rouse the interest or curiosity of. [*f. F intriguer (as INTRICATE)*]

intrigue¹ (-ég), n. Underhand plotting or plot; secret amour, liaison. [F, f. It. *intrigo* f. *intrigare* (as *INTRICATE*)]

intrin'sic, a. Belonging naturally, inherent, essential, esp. ~ic value (cf. *EXTRINSIC*). Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. F *intrinseque* f. med. L *intrinsecus* (adj. f. L adv.), cf. *EXTRINSIC*]

intro- in comb. = L *intro* to the inside, as: ~flection, inward bending; ~gression, going or coming in; ~suscption, (Physiol., Biol.) = *INTUSSUSCEPTION*.

introduce¹, v.t. Bring in; place in, insert; bring into use (custom, idea, improvement, etc., into place, system, etc.); usher in, bring forward, (matter etc.); (of conjunctions etc.) open (sentence); make known, esp. in formal manner (person to another); bring (young lady) out, into society; draw attention of (person to subject etc.); bring (bill etc.) before Parliament. So **introduc'tory** a. [f. L *INTRO*(*ducere* duct- lead)]

introduc'tion, n. Introducing; preliminary matter prefixed to book; (as title) introductory treatise; formal presentation of one person to another; letter of ~ (given by one person to another & introducing him to a third). [F, f. L *introductionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

intro'it, n. (eccl.). Psalm, antiphon, sung while priest approaches altar to celebrate mass or Holy Communion. [f. F *introit*(e) f. L *introitus* -tis f. *INTRO*(*ire* it- go)]

intromit¹, v.t. (arch.; -tt-). Let in, admit, (into); insert. So **intromission** (-shn) n., ~t'ENT a. [f. L *INTRO*(*mittere* miss- send)]

intro'spect¹, v.i. Examine one's own thoughts & feelings. Hence ~spéc'tion, ~spéc'tionist, ~spéc'tiveness, nn., ~spéc'tive a., ~spéc'tively¹ adv. [f. L *INTRO*(*specere* spect- look)]

introvert¹, v.t. Turn (mind, thought) inwards upon itself; (esp. Zool.) withdraw (organ etc.) within its own tube or base, as finger of glove, whence ~vers'ible a. Hence ~ver'sion (-shn) n., in'trovért n., person given to ~version, ~vers'ive, ~vért'ive, aa. [f. L *INTRO*(*vertere* vers- turn)]

intrud[e]¹ (-rôdd), v.t. & i. Thrust, force, (thing into); force (thing upon person); come uninvited, thrust oneself in, (into place, company, etc., upon person, his privacy, etc.). Hence ~trú¹ (-ôô-) n. (also, raiding aircraft). [f. L *IN*(*trudere* trus- thrust)]

intru'sion (-rôôshn), n. Intruding; forcing in; forcing oneself in (into, upon); (Geol.) influx of rock in state of fusion between strata etc.; settlement of minister of Church of Scotland without consent of congregation, whence ~trú(2) n. So **intrus'ive** a., **intrus'ively**¹ adv., **intrusiveness** n., (-rôôô). [OF, f. med. L *intrusionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

in'tub|âte, v.t. (med.). Insert tube into (larynx etc.) to keep it open. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *IN*¹ + L *tuba* tube + -ATE¹]

in'tuit, v.t. & i. Know by intuition; receive knowledge by direct perception. [f. L *IN*¹(*tuere* tuir- look)]

intu'ition, n. Immediate apprehension by the mind without reasoning; immediate apprehension by sense; immediate insight. Hence ~AL (-shon-) a. [F, f. med. L *intuitionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

intu'itionalism (-shon-), n. Doctrine that the perception of truth is by intuition. So ~IST n. [-ISM]

intu'itionism (-shon-), n. Doctrine that in perception external objects are known immediately, without intervention of vicarious phenomenon; =prec. So ~IST n. [-ISM]

intu'itive, a. Of, possessing, perceived by, intuition. Hence ~LY¹ (-vî-) adv., ~NESS (-vn-) n. [f. med. L *intuitivus* (INTUIT, -IVE)]

intu'itivism, n. Doctrine that ethical principles are matters of intuition. So ~IST n. [-ISM]

intumesc'ent, a. Swelling up. So ~ENON n. [f. L *IN*¹(*tumescere* incept. of *tumere* swell), see -ENT]

in'tussuscép'tion, n. (Physiol.) taking in of foreign matter by living organism, & its conversion into organic tissue; taking in (of ideas etc.); withdrawal of one portion of intestine within another. [f. L *intus* within + *suscipio* f. *SUSCIPERE* = *capere* take) take up, see -ION]

inunc'tion, n. Smearing, rubbing, with oil. [f. L *inunctio* f. *IN*¹(*ungere* unct- anoint), see -ION]

in'und|âte, v.t. Overflow, flood, (land etc. with water, also fig.). So ~A'TION n. [f. L *IN*¹(*undare* flow f. *unda* wave), see -ATE¹]

inurb|âne¹, a. Not urbane, discourteous. Hence **inurb|an'ry** n. [f. L *IN*¹(*urbane* URBANE)]

inûre¹, én-, v.t. & i. Accustom, habituate, (person etc. to thing, to do), whence ~MENT (-ûrm-) n.; (Intr., chiefly Law; often en-) come into operation, take effect. [*IN*¹ + obs. *we* work f. F *œuvre* f. L *opera*]

inurn¹, v.t. Put (ashes of cremated body) in an urn. [*IN*¹]

inû'tile, a. Useless. So **inû'til'ity** n. [F, f. L *IN*¹(*utilis* useful); long out of use, but recently revived]

inv|âd|e¹, v.t. Make hostile inroad into (country etc.); (fig. of sounds, diseases, feelings, etc.) assail; encroach upon (rights etc.). Hence ~trú¹ n. [f. L *IN*¹(*vadere* vas- go)]

inv|â|g|in|âte, v.t. Put in a sheath; introvert (tubular sheath). Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *IN*¹ + L *vagina* sheath + -ATE¹]

in'valid¹ (-ôd), a. & n. (Person) enfeebled or disabled by illness or injury. Hence ~HOOD, ~NESS, n., (-ôd-). [f. L *IN*¹(*validus* VALID), progame, after F. *invalid*]

invalid³ (-əd; also in⁴), v.t. & i. Lay up, disable, (person) by illness (usu. pass.); treat as an invalid; remove from active service, send home etc., as an invalid; (intr.) become an invalid, go on the sick-list. [f. prec.]

invalid⁴, a. Not valid, esp. having no legal force. Hence ~L³ adv. [as INVALID¹, without assim. to F]

invalid⁴iate, v.t. Make INVALID³. Hence ~A¹TION n. [prec. + -ATE³]

invalid⁴ity, n. Want of validity; bodily infirmity. [INVALID³ + -ITY]

invalid⁴able, a. Above price, priceless. [IN-³]

in⁴var, n. Alloy of nickel & steel with negligible coefficient of expansion, used in manufacture of clocks and scientific instruments. [abbr. of foll.; P]

in⁴var⁴iable, a. Unchangeable; always the same; (Math.) constant, fixed. Hence ~ABIL⁴ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY⁴ adv. [IN-⁴]

in⁴va⁴sion (-zhn), n. Invading; encroachment. So in⁴va⁴sIVE a. [F, f. L *invasionem* (as INVADE, see -ION)]

in⁴vec⁴tive, n. Violent attack in words; abusive oratory. [F, f. med. L *invec⁴tiva* (oratio) f. LL *invec⁴turus* (as foll., see -IVE)]

in⁴veigh⁴ (-vā), v.i. Speak violently, rail loudly, against. [f. L IN⁴(*vehī* pass. of *vehere* *vec⁴*-carry) go into, assail]

in⁴veigle (-vē-, -vā-), v.t. Entice, seduce, (into place, conduct, etc., into doing). Hence ~MENT (-vēgelm-, -vā-) n. [16th-c. *enveigle* prob. f. F *aveugler* blind f. *aveugle* adj. f. pop. L AB⁴(*oculus* eye); taken as a-*veigle*, & so changed to *enveigle*]

in⁴ven⁴t, **in**⁴ven⁴er⁴unt, (abbr. *inv.*), v. sing. & pl. 3rd pers. (So-&-so) designed this work (used with artist's signature). [L, perf. of *invenio*, see foll.]

in⁴vent⁴, v.t. Devise, originate, (new method, instrument, etc.); fabricate (false story etc.). Hence or cogn. in⁴ven⁴trvs a., in⁴ven⁴tively⁴ adv., in⁴ven⁴tiveness, in⁴ven⁴tor⁴ (esp. in Law, patentee of INVENTION), in⁴ven⁴truss⁴, nn. [f. L IN⁴(*venire* *veni*-come) find, contrive]

in⁴ven⁴tion, n. Inventing; thing invented, contrivance, (Law) any new manufacture the subject of letters patent; fictitious story; inventiveness; I~ of the Cross, (festival, May 3, commemorating) finding of the Cross by Helena mother of Constantine, A.D. 326. [OF, f. L *inventionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

in⁴vent⁴ory, n., & v.t. 1. Detailed list (of goods, furniture, etc.); stock of goods in this. 2. v.t. Enter (goods etc.) in ~, make a ~ of. [(vb f. n.) f. med. L *inventorium* (as INVENT, see -ORY)]

in⁴ven⁴trous, n. Untruthfulness. [IN-⁴]

in⁴ven⁴ts (-i), n. Town in Scotland; ~ coat, coat, or ~ as n., man's sleeveless cloak with removable cape.

in⁴verse⁴ (or in⁴), a. & n. 1. Inverted in position, order, or relations; ~ ratio, proportion (between two quantities one of which increases in proportion as the other decreases). 2. n. Inverted state, thing that is the direct opposite (of another). Hence in⁴verse⁴LY⁴ (-al-) adv. [f. L as INVERT]

in⁴ver⁴sion (-shn), n. Turning upside down; reversal of position, order, or relation, esp. (Gram.) of order of words; reversal of a ratio; (Mus.) process or result of inverting (see foll.). So in⁴verse⁴IVE a. [f. L *inversio* (as foll., see -ION)]

in⁴vert⁴, v.t. Turn upside down (~ed commas, those above the line before & after quotations, the first single or double comma being ~ed, as *what is 'German peace'* or *'German peace'* ?); reverse position, order, or relation, of; (Mus.) change relative position of notes of (chord, interval) by placing lowest note higher. [f. L IN⁴(*vertere* *vers*-turn)]

in⁴vert⁴, n. Inverted arch, as at bottom of sewer; (Psych.) person whose sex instincts are inverted. [f. prec.]

in⁴vert⁴ébrate, a. & n. 1. Not having backbone or spinal column; (fig.) wanting in firmness. 2. n. ~ animal (or fig.) person. [f. IN-⁴ + L *vertebra* joint of spine + -ATE³]

in⁴vest⁴, v.t. & i. 1. Clothe (person etc. in, with); cover as garment; clothe, endue, (person etc. with qualities, insignia of office, rank, etc.). 2. Lay siege to. 3. Employ (money in stocks etc.); (intr.) ~ in, put money into (stocks), (colloq.) lay out money on, as ~ in a bun. Hence in⁴ves⁴tor⁴ n. [f. L IN⁴(*vestire* clothe)]

in⁴ves⁴tig⁴âte, v.t. Examine, inquire into. Hence or cogn. ~A¹TION, ~ÂTOR⁴, nn., ~ÂTRIV, ~ÂTORY, aa. [f. L IN⁴(*vestigare* trace), see -ATE³]

in⁴ves⁴titure, n. Formal investing of person (with office); enduing (with attributes). [f. med. L *investitura* (as INVEST, see -URE)]

in⁴vest⁴ment, n. Investing of money; money invested; property in which money is invested; investiture; clothing; (Mil.) act of besieging, blockade. [-MENT]

in⁴vet⁴erate, a. Long-established; (of disease, habit, prejudice, etc.) deep-rooted, obstinate. Hence ~ACY n., ~ATELY⁴ (-tl-) adv. [f. L IN⁴(*veterare* make old f. *vetus* -eris old), see -ATE³]

in⁴vid⁴ious, a. (Of conduct etc.) giving offence, esp. by real or seeming injustice etc.; (of thing) likely to excite ill feeling against the possessor. Hence ~LY⁴ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *invidiosus* (*invidia* ENVY, see -OUS)]

in⁴vi⁴gil⁴âte, v.i. || Watch over students at examination. Hence ~A¹TION, ~ÂTOR⁴, nn. [f. L IN⁴(*vigilare* watch), -ATE³]

in⁴vig⁴or⁴âte, v.t. Make vigorous; animate. Hence ~ATIVE a., ~ÂTOR⁴ n. [f. IN-⁴ + L *vigor* VISOUR + -ATE³]

invincible, *a.* Unconquerable (*lit.* & *fig.*). Hence *~ABIL'ITY* *n.*, *~IBLY* *adv.* [*F.* *f. L* *IN*⁴*vincibilis f. vincere* conquer, *-BLE*]

inviolable, *a.* Not to be violated; (of laws, persons, places, etc.) to be kept sacred from infraction, profanation, etc. Hence *~ABIL'ITY* *n.*, *~ABLY* *adv.* [*f. L* *IN*⁴*violabilis*, as foll., see *-BLE*]

inviolate, *a.* (Of laws, places, etc.) not violated; unbroken; unprofaned. Hence **inviolacy**, *~NESS*, *nn.*, *~LY* *adv.* [*f. L* *IN*⁴*violatus* *p.p.* as *VIOLATE*]

invisible (*-z*), *a.* & *n.* That cannot be seen: not to be seen at particular time, as *when I called she was ~le*; too small to be seen; *~le exports*, shipping services, foreign investments, & other items that account for the apparent excess of a country's imports over exports; *~le ink* (visible only after heating etc.); (*n.*) *the ~le*, the unseen world, God. Hence or cogn. **invisibl'ity**, *~JENESS*, *nn.*, *~LY* *adv.*, (*-z*). [*F.* *f. L* *IN*⁴*visibilis* *VISIBLE*]

invite, *v.t.*, & *n.* 1. Request courteously to come (*to dinner, to one's house, in*, etc.); request courteously (*to do what is presumably agreeable*); solicit courteously (suggestions, opinion, confidences); bring on, tend to bring on, (thing) unintentionally; (of thing) present inducements, attract, whence *~ingly* *adv.*, *~INGNESS* *n.* 2. *n.* (colloq.). Invitation. So **invitation** *n.*, *~ATORY* *a.* [(*n. f. vb*) *f. F* *inviter f. L* *invitare*]

invocation, *n.* Invoking, calling upon God etc. in prayer; *the ~*, (*esp.*) the words 'In the name of the Father' etc. as used by preacher before sermon (cf. *ASCRPTION*); appeal to Muse for inspiration or assistance in poem. So **invocatory** (or *in'vokä-*) *a.* [*OF, f. L* *invocationem* (as *INVOKA*, see *-ATION*)]

invoice, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. List of goods shipped or sent, with prices & charges. 2. *v.t.* Make an ~ of (goods). [(*vb f. n.*) prob. orig. *invoyes* pl. of *invoy* as *ENVOY*]

invoker, *v.t.* Call on (God etc.) in prayer or as witness; appeal to (person's authority etc.); summon (spirit) by charms; ask earnestly for (vengeance, help, etc.). [*f. F* *invoker f. L* *IN*⁴*vocare* call]

involute (*-lōker*), *n.* Covering, envelope, (*esp. Anat.*); (*Bot.*) whorl of bracts surrounding inflorescence. [*F.* *f. L* *involutum* (as *INVOLVE*)]

involuntarily, *a.* Done without exercise of the will, unintentional. Hence *~LY* *adv.*, *~INNESS* *n.* [*f. L* *IN*⁴*voluntarius* *VOLUNTARY*]

involute (*-lōt*), *a.* & *n.* 1. Involved, intricate; curled spirally; (*Bot.*) rolled inwards at edges. 2. *n.* (geom.). Locus of point in a straight line that rolls without sliding on a curve in the plane of that curve (cf. *EVOLUTE*). [as *INVOLVE*]

involution (*-lōt*), *n.* Involving; entanglement; intricacy; curling inwards; part so curled; (*Math.*) raising of quantity to any power. [*f. L* *involutio* (as foll., see *-ION*)]

involve, *v.t.* Wrap (thing in another); wind spirally; entangle (person, thing, in difficulties, mystery, etc.); implicate (person in charge, crime); include (in); imply, entail; (*p.p.*) complicated in thought or form (*an ~d sentence*). [*f. L* *IN*⁴*volvare* *volut-* roll]

involve'ment (*-vm-*), *n.* Involving; financial embarrassment; complicated affair. [*-MENT*]

invulnerable, *a.* That cannot be wounded or hurt (*esp. fig.*). Hence *~ABIL'ITY* *n.*, *~ABLY* *adv.* [*f. L* *IN*⁴*vulnerabilis* *VULNERABLE*]

inward, *a.* & *n.* 1. Situated within; mental, spiritual; directed towards the inside. 2. *n. pl.* Entrails. [*OE* *innan-weard* (*innan* in adv., see *-WARD*)]

inwardly, *adv.* On the inside; (of speaking) not aloud; in mind or spirit. [*-LY*]

inwardness, *n.* Inner nature, essence; quality of being inward; spirituality. [*-NESS*]

inward(s) (*-z*), *adv.* (Of motion or position) towards the inside; within mind or soul. [*prec.*]

inweave, *en-*, *v.t.* Weave in (thing with another, lit. & *fig.*). [*IN*¹]

inwrought (*inrawt'*, before *noun* *IN*), *a.* (Of fabric) decorated (*with pattern*); (of pattern) wrought (*in, on, fabric*); (*fig.*) intimately blended (*with*). [*IN* + *wrought* *p.p.* of *WORK*]

inys'la (*-ah-*), *n.* S. Afr. antelope. [*native*]

iodine, *n.* Non-metallic element resembling chlorine & bromine in chemical properties, used in medicine & photography. Hence *iod'ic* *a.*, *~IDE* *n.*, compound of *~ine* with another element or radical, *~ISM* (*s*) *n.*, *~INE* (*s*) *v.t.* [*f. F* *iode* *f. Gk* *iodēs* violet-like (*ion* violet, see *-ONE*), from colour of its vapour, + *-INE*]

iodoform (or *i'o-*), *n.* Compound of iodine analogous to chloroform, used as antiseptic etc. [*f. prec.* + *-O-*, see *CHLOROFORM*]

iolite, *n.* Silicate of aluminium, iron, & magnesium, of blue or violet colour. [*f. Gk* *ion* violet, see *-LITE*]

ion, *n.* One of the electrically charged particles into which the atoms or molecules of certain chemicals (*esp. salts, acids, & bases*) are dissociated by solution in water, and which make such a solution a conductor of electricity; a similarly charged molecule of gas occurring e.g. in air. Hence *~INE* *v.t.*, convert into *~s*, *~IZATION* *n.* [*Gk* *ion* neut. part. of *eim* go]

-ion, *suffix*, mainly thr. *F* *-ion* *f. L* *-ionem* (*nom.* *-to*) forming nouns of condition or action *f. adj.* & *nn.* (*communis*), *f. vb*

stems (*legion*), but esp. f. p.p. stems, producing the compd suff. *-tion*, *-sion*, *-xion*, *-ation*, *-ition*, *-on*.

Ion'ian (i-), a. & n. 1. Of Ionia; (Mus.) ~mode: ancient Greek mode; eleventh of eccl. modes, with C as final & G as dominant, corresp. to modern major key of C. 2. n. Member of part of the Hellenic race which occupied Attica, western Asia Minor, etc. [f. L f. Gk *Ionios* + -AN]

Ion'ic (i-), a. Of Ionia, as ~dialect, that of which Attic was a development; ~ORDER (characterized by two lateral volutes of the capital); (Pros.) i- ~a *majôr'ê*, metrical foot - - - v, i- ~a *minôr'ê*, v - - -. [f. L f. Gk *Ionikos*]

Ion'ium, n. Radioactive element obtained from uranium. [f. ION + -IUM]

Ion'osphere, n. = HEAVYIDE LAYER. [f. ION, -O-, SPHERE]

-ior¹, suf., later spelling of -IOUR, as in *warrior*.

-ior², suf. = L -ior of comparatives, as in *senior*, *ulterior*.

Iôt'a, n. Greek letter (I, i, = I); atom, jot, (after *Matt.* v. 18). [Gk *iôta*]

Iôt'acism, n. Excessive use of iota; pronunciation of other Greek vowels like iota (â), of ITACISM. [f. L f. Gk *iôtakismos*]

I O U (i ô û), n. Signed document bearing these letters followed by specified sum, constituting formal acknowledgment of debt. [= I owe you]

-iour, suf. = -i- representing some formative or stem element + -our -OR², as *saviour* f. *salvatore* thr. OF *salve*(d)or, AF *sauteur*.

-ious, suf. repr. L -iosus, F -ieux, = -i- (part of another suf.) + -ous, w. sense 'characterized by, full of'. L has -iosus (1) in adj. f. derivative nn. in -ia, -ies, -ius, -ium, (*invidiosus*, *periculosus*, *odiosus*, & by false anal. *curiosus* f. *cura*), (2) in adj. f. nn. in -ion- (nom. -io), as *ambitious*, *captious*, *religious*. E tends to use -ious for any noun in -ion (*rebellious*, *cautious*, *contradictious*). E also forms adj. in -ious by adding -ous to stem of L adj. in -ius (*various*); see also -RIOUS & -OUS.

ipekacūān'ha (-na), n. Root of a S.-Amer. shrub, used as emetic & purgative. [Port., f. native *ipekaaguene*]

Ip'se dīc'it, n. Dogmatic statement resting on bare authority. [L, = he himself (the master) said it]

Ip'sol'ima cōb'a, n. pl. The precise words. [L]

Ip'sō fō'it, adv. By that very fact. [L] *ip'sō* (i-x), pref. = IN-^{1,2} before r.

Irā'dā (-ah-), n. Written decree of Sultan of Turkey. [Turk., f. Arab. *iradah* will]

Irak, 'Iraq' (trahk'), n. Arab kingdom including Mesopotamia, formerly administered by British Empire as tary. So *Irā'ki*, -gi, (-ahki) a.

Irān'ian (ir-), a. & n. 1. Persian; (of languages) of the Asiatic family comprising Zend, Old Persian, & their modern descendants. 2. n. Member of ~ race. [Pers. *iran* Persia, -IAN]

Irās'cible (or ir-), a. Irritable, hot-tempered. Hence ~BIL'ITY n. [F, f. L *irascibilis* (*irasci* grow angry, see -BLE)]

Irā'te, a. Angry. [f. L *iratus* p.p. as prec.] *irē*, n. (poet.). Anger. Hence ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., (ir-). [OF, f. L *ira*]

Irēn'ic(al), aa. Aiming or aimed at peace. [f. Gk *eirēnikos* (*eirēnē* peace) + -AL]

irenicon. See EIRENICON.

Iridā'ceous (-shus), a. Of the iris kind. [-ACEOUS]

Iridēs'cent, a. Showing colours like those of rainbow; changing colour with position. Hence ~ENCE n. [as IRIS + -ESCENT]

Irid'ium, n. White metallic element of the platinum group. [as IRIS + -IUM]

Iridōs'mine (or ir-), n. Native alloy or mixture of osmium & iridium, used in pointing gold pens. [IRID(IUM) + OSM(IUM) + -INE²]

Ir'is, n. 1. Flat circular coloured membrane in aqueous humour of eye, with circular opening (PUPIL) in centre. 2. Genus of plants, chiefly with tuberous roots, sword-shaped leaves, & showy flowers. 3. Kind of rock-crystal reflecting prismatic colours. 4. ~diaphragm (Opt.), contractile diaphragm of thin overlapping plates for regulating the admission of light to a lens or lens system. [Gk *iris* -idos (goddess of rainbow, iris)]

Ir'ish (ir-), a. & n. 1. Of Ireland; || ~bridge, open stone drain carrying water across road; ~BULL⁴; ~Free State, part of Ireland separated from the U.K. & established as a British Dominion 1922; ~STEW. 2. n. ~language; (as pl.) the ~ (people); ~man, ~woman, native of Ireland. Hence ~ISM(4) n., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. Ir-st. of OE *Iras* n. pl. + -ISH¹]

Irīt'is, n. Inflammation of the iris. [-ITIS] *irk*, v.t. (arch.). Disgust, tire, bore, esp. *it* ~s (me, him, etc.). [ME *irken*, etym. dub.]

irk'some, a. Tedious, tiresome. Hence ~LY² (-ml-) adv., ~NESS (-mn-) n. [-SOME]

iron¹ (i'ern), n. & a. 1. Metal largely used for tools etc. (*wrought* ~, *cast* ~, STEEL), often fig. as type of hardness, as a *man* of ~, *rod* of ~; preparation of ~ as tonic; tool made of ~, as *curling*, *grappling*, ~; branding tool; golf-club with ~ head; ~tool for smoothing out linen etc.; (usu. pl.) fetters (esp. in ~s, handcuffed); (esp. in pl.) stirrup; (pl.) leg-supports to correct malformations etc.; the ~ entered into his soul (Ps. cv. 18, L mistranslation of Heb. 'his person entered into the iron', i.e. fetters); (Prov.) *strike while the ~ is hot* (at a good opportunity), *have (see) many ~s in the fire* (many undertakings, also,

many expedients). 2. adj. Of ~, very robust, firm, unyielding, merciless. 3. ~ age, age of cruelty, oppression, etc. (cf. BRAZEN¹), (also, cf. BRONZE, STONE, age) era of ~ implements; ~bark, species of eucalyptus with solid bark; ~bound, bound with ~, (of coast) rock-bound, (fig.) rigorous, hard & fast; ~clad, clad in, protected with, ~, (n.) ship cased with plates of ~; I~ Cross, Prussian and Austrian war decoration; ~curtain (fig.), impenetrable veil of secrecy; I~ Duke, Duke of Wellington; ~grey a. & n., (of) the colour of freshly broken ~; ~horse, locomotive steam-engine, also, bicycle or tricycle; ~lung, ~case fitted over patient's body, used for administering artificial respiration by means of mechanical pumps; ~master, manufacturer of ~; ~mould, spot caused by ~-rust or ink-stain, (v.t. & i.) stain, be stained, with this; ~rations, soldier's modicum of food to be touched only in emergency; I~sides, man of great bravery, esp. (pl.) Cromwell's troopers; ~stone, name of various hard ~ores; ~work, work in ~, things made of ~; ~works (sing. or pl.), place where ~ is smelted or ~ goods are made. [OE (1) *īsern*, *isen*, n. & a., cf. Du. *ijzer*, G. *eisen*, (2) OE *īren* n., not paralleled in other langg.]

iron² (i'ern), v.t. Furnish, cover, with iron; shackle with irons; smooth (linen etc.) with flat-iron etc. [f. prec.]

īrōn'ic(al), aa. Of, using, said in, addicted to, irony. Hence ~ally² adv. [f. L f. Gk *eirōnīkos* (as IRONY¹, see -IC)]

īr'ōnist, n. One who uses irony. [f. Gk *eirōn* dissembler + -IST]

īr'ōnmonger (īrnūngg-), n. Dealer in iron goods. Hence ~ERY¹ (2, 3) n.

īr'ōny¹, n. Expression of one's meaning by language of opposite or different tendency, esp. simulated adoption of another's point of view for purpose of ridicule; ill-timed or perverse arrival of event or circumstance in itself desirable, due to the feigned good will & actual malice of (Fate, circumstance, etc.); use of language that has an inner meaning for a privileged audience & an outer meaning for the persons addressed or concerned (occas. including speaker, cf. TRAGIC ~); Socratic ~, simulation of ignorance as means of confuting adversary. [f. L f. Gk *eirōneia* simulated ignorance]

irony² (īrn'ī), a. Of, like, iron. [-Y¹]

īrrād'iant, a. Shining brightly. So ~ANCE n. [as foll., see -ANT]

īrrād'iat'e, v.t. Shine upon; (fig.) throw light on (subject); light up (face etc. with joy etc.). Hence ~ITY a. [f. L IR² (*radiare* f. *radius* RAY²), see -ATE¹]

īrrād'iat'ion, n. Shining, illumination, (lit. & fig.); apparent extension of edges of illuminated object seen against dark ground, (f. as prec., see -ATION)

īrrā'tional (-ahon-), a. & n. 1. Unreasonable, illogical, absurd; not endowed with reason; (Math., of roots etc.) not rational, not commensurable with the natural numbers (e.g. non-terminating decimal). 2. n. ~ number, surd. Hence ~ITY (-ahonāl²) n., ~IRE(3) v.t., ~LY² adv. [f. L IR² (*rationalis* RATIONAL)]

īrrēclaim'able, a. Not to be reclaimed or reformed. Hence ~LY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēc'ognizable, a. Unrecognisable. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēc'oncil'able, a. & n. 1. Implacably hostile; (of ideas etc.) incompatible. 2. n. Implacable opponent of political measure etc. Hence ~ABLY² adv., ~ABleness, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēcō'verable (-kū-), a. That cannot be recovered or remedied. Hence ~LY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēcūs'able (-z-), a. That must be accepted. [f. LL IR² (*recusabilis* f. *recusare* refuse, see -BLE)]

īrrēdeem'able, a. (Of government annuities) not terminable by repayment; (of paper currency) for which issuing authority does not undertake to pay coin; irreclaimable, hopeless, whence ~LY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēdēn't'ist, n. (It. politics) advocate of recovery to Italy of all Italian-speaking districts; Greek, Pole, etc., of similar views. So ~ISM n. [f. It. *irredentista* f. (*Italia*) *irredenta* unredeemed (Italy)]

īrrēdū'cible, a. That cannot be brought (to desired condition); that cannot be reduced, as ~ible minimum; that cannot be simplified. Hence ~IBLY² n. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēf'ragable, a. (Of statement, argument, person) indisputable, unanswerable. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL IR² (*refragabilis* f. *refragari* etym. dub., see -BLE)]

īrrēfrān'gible, a. Inviolable; (Opt.) incapable of being refracted. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēf'ut'able, a. Not to be refuted. Hence ~ABLY² n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L IR² (*refutabilis* REFUTABLE)]

īrrēg'ular, a. & n. 1. Not regular, contrary to rule; abnormal; not of symmetrical form; (of surface) uneven; disorderly; uneven in duration, order, etc.; (Gram., of part of speech) not normally inflected; (of troops) not in regular service. 2. n. pl. ~ troops. Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-ā'r-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *irregular* f. med.L IR² (*regularis* REGULAR)]

īrrēl'ative, a. Unconnected, unrelated, (to); having no relations, absolute. Hence ~LY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēl'evant, a. Not to the point; that does not apply (to matter in hand). Hence ~ANCE, ~ANCY, nn., ~ANTLY² adv. [IR⁻¹]

īrrēl'ig'ion (-Jn), n. Hostility to, disregard of, religion. Hence or cogn. ~IOUSNESS (-Jen-) n., ~IOUS (-Jen) a., ~IOUSLY² adv. [f. L IR² (*religio* RELIGIOUS)]

irreméd'iable, a. That cannot be remedied. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *ir-* (*remediabilis* REMEDIABLE)]

irremiss'ible, a. Unpardonable; unalterably binding. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *irremissible* f. L *ir-* (*remissibilis*, as *REMIT*, see -BLE)]

irrémo'v(able) (-mōv-), a. That cannot be removed, esp. from office. Hence ~ABLY¹ n., ~ABLY² adv. [IR-¹]

irrép'arable, a. (Of injury, loss, etc.) that cannot be rectified or made good. Hence ~LENESS n., ~LY² adv. [f. F *irréparable* f. L *ir-* (*reparabilis* REPARABLE)]

irréplac'able (-sa-), a. Of which the loss cannot be supplied. [IR-²]

irrépress'ible, a. & n. Not to be repressed or restrained; (n., colloq.) ~le person. Hence ~LY² adv. [IR-², REPRESS, -IBLE]

irréproach'able, a. Free from blame, faultless. Hence ~ABILITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. F *irréprochable*, as *REPROACH* v., see -ABLE]

irrésis'tible (-zls-), a. Too strong, convincing, charming, etc., to be resisted. Hence ~IBLY¹ n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L *ir-* (*resistibilis*, as *RESIST*, see -BLE)]

irrés'olute (-zolōt), a. Undecided, hesitating; wanting in resolution. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **irrésolu'tion** (-zolōt-), nn. [f. L *ir-* (*resolutus* RESOLUTE)]

irrésol'vable (-zōl-), a. That cannot be resolved into parts; (of problem) that cannot be solved. [IR-³]

irréspec'tive, a. ~ of, not taking into account, without reference to, (often quasi-adv., as *the posts were filled ~ of nationality*). Hence ~LY² adv. [IR-³]

irrésp'nsible, a. Not responsible for conduct; acting, done, without due sense of responsibility. Hence ~IBLY¹ n., ~IBLY² adv. [IR-³]

irrésp'ns'ive, a. Not responsive (to). Hence ~NESS n. [IR-³]

irréten'tion, n. Failure to retain (esp. the urine). [IR-³]

irréten'tive, a. Not retentive. Hence ~NESS n. [IR-³]

irrétriev'able, a. That cannot be retrieved. Hence ~ABLY¹ n., ~ABLY² adv. [IR-³]

irrév'erent, a. Wanting in reverence. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ÉN'TIAL (-shl) a., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *ir-* (*reverens* REVERENT)]

irrév'ers'ible, a. Unalterable; not reversible. Hence ~IBLY¹ n., ~IBLY² adv. [IR-⁴]

irrév'oc'able, a. Unalterable; gone beyond recall. Hence ~ABLY¹ n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L *ir-* (*revocabilis* REVOCABLE)]

irrig'ate, v.t. (Of streams etc.) supply (land) with water; water (land) with channels etc.; (Med.) supply (wound etc.) with constant flow of liquid; (fig.) refresh as with moisture. Hence or cogn.

~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa., ~A'TION, ~ATOR¹ (1, 2), nn. [f. L *ir-* (*rigare* moisten), see -ATE¹]

irrit'able, a. Quick to anger, touchy, whence ~ABLY² adv.; (of organ etc.) very sensitive to contact etc.; (Physiol., of muscles & nerves) capable of being excited to vital action by physical stimulus. So ~ABLY¹ n. [f. L *irritabilis* (as *IRRITATE*, see -BLE)]

irritanc'y, n. Irritation, annoyance. [as *IRRITANT*, see -ANCY]

irritanc'y, n. (law). Making, being, null & void. [as *IRRITATE*², see -ANCY]

irritant, a. & n. 1. Causing (usu. physical) irritation. 2. n. ~ substance or agency (also fig.). [as foll., see -ANT]

irritat'ion, v.t. Excite to anger, annoy, vex, (~ed at, by, with, against), whence ~INGLY² adv.; excite, produce uneasy sensation in, (bodily organ etc.); (Physiol.) stimulate (organ) to vital action. Hence or cogn. **irritat'ion** n., ~IVE a. [f. L *irritare*, see -ATE²]

irritat'ion, v.t. (law). Make null & void. [f. L *irritare* f. *ir-* (*ritus* = *ratus* established) invalid, see -ATE²]

irrup'tion, n. Invasion; violent entry. [f. L *irruptio* f. *ir-* (*rumpere* rupt- break), see -ION]

Irvingite (érv-), n. Member of a religious body called by its members the Catholic Apostolic Church. [E. Irving, minister of Ch. of Scotland, d. 1834]

is. See BE.

Isabél'l, **Is'abél**, (iz-), a. & n. Greyish yellow. Hence **isabél'l'ine** (-z-) a. [female name; history unknown]

isag'gic, a. & n. Introductory; (n. pl.) study of literary & external history of Bible. [f. L f. Gk *isagōgikos* f. *eisagōgē* introduction (*eis* into + *agōgē* leading f. *agō*, see -IO)]

is'atin, n. (chem). Crystalline reddish substance got from indigo by oxidation. [f. L f. Gk *isatis* woad + -IN]

ischiat'ic, -dic, (-k-), a. Of the hip, sciatic. [(f. med. L *ischiatricus* f. L f. Gk *ischiadikos* f. *ischia* -ados pain in hip (*ischion*), see -IO]

-ise, suf. of nn., = OF -ise, prop. f. L -itia, but also (in learned formations) f. L -icia, -itia, -icium, -itium (OF *justise*, *juise*, *servise*, f. L *justitia*, *judicium*, *servitium*). In wds f. L, later F changed -ise to -ice, which E adopted; but in native wds F & E retain -ise (*franchise*, *merchandise*; E also has *exercise*, F -ice).

-ish¹, suf. of adj., = OE -isc of com.-Teut. orig. (cf. Du. & G -isch), cogn. w. Gk -iskos dm. suf. of nn. In old formations, prec. vowel was modified, as still in *English*, *French*, *Welsh*. 1. OE chiefly formed aa. f. national names (*British*, *Danish*), with a few in sense 'belonging to, of the nature of' (*heathenish*, *outlandish*); later aa. have usu. not the neutral sense (*boyish*, *girlish*), but that of 'having

the bad qualities of ' (*foppish, monkish, swinish*, f. names of things *bookish, hellish*, f. vbs & adv. *snappish, stand-offish, uppish*). 2. Sense peculiar to E is 'somewhat' (*stiffish*). 3. Added to names of hours of the day or numbers of years to denote 'round about, somewhere near' (*eightish, fortyish*).

-ish¹, suf. of vbs repr. F **-iss**-seen in some parts of some vbs in **-ir** (*périssant, finissant*), f. L inceptive suf. **-isc-**, used in It. & F to form vbs without incept. sense to correspond to L vbs in **-ire, -ere**. In a few vds F **-iss-** became in E **-ise** (*chastise, advertise*); on the other hand, other F endings have become **-ish** (*ADMONISH, LAVISH, RELISH*).

Is'h mael (i-), n. Outcast, one at war with society. Hence **-ITE**¹ n. [*Gen.* xvi. 12]

is'inglass (izinglahs), n. Whitish semi-transparent substance, a form of gelatin, got from some fresh-water fish, esp. sturgeon, & used in making jellies, glue, etc. [perh. corrupt. of obs. Du. *huisenblas* sturgeon's bladder]

Is'lam (iz-; or -ahm'), n. Mohammedanism; the Mohammedan world. Hence **Islām'ic**, **-it'ic**, aa., **-ISM**(3), **-ITE**¹(1), nn., (iz-). [Arab., =surrender, n. f. *aslama* he surrendered f. *salama* he became safe, whence also *salaam, Moslem, Mussulman*]

isl'and (il-), n., & v.t. 1. Piece of land surrounded by water; (fig.) anything detached or isolated, esp. woodland surrounded by prairie, street REFUGEE; (Naut.) ship's superstructure, bridge, etc.; (Physiol.) detached portion of tissue or group of cells. 2. v.t. Make into an ~, isolate; dot as with ~s. Hence **-ER**¹(4) n. [(vb f. n.) OE *igland* (teq isle, cf. ON & OFris. *ey, +LAND*); -s- by confus. w. *isle*]

isle (il), n. Island (in prose usu. only with proper name, as *Isle of Wight, British Isles*, & usu. of small islands). [ME & OF *isle* f. L *insula* island (IN-¹, see CONSUL)]

isl'et (il-), n. Little island; isolated tract or spot. [f. F *islelette* (as prec., see -ET¹)]

ism (i'zm), n. Any distinctive doctrine or practice. [coll. used as n.]

-ism, suf. forming abstract nn.: (1) of action on vbs in **-ize**, as *baptism*; (2) of typical conduct or condition on class nouns, as *heroism, barbarism*; (3) of system or principle on name of subject or founder or connected catchword, as *conservatism, Arianism, jingoism*; (4) of peculiarity in manner or language, as *Galicism, archaism*; (5) of morbid condition induced by excessive use of drug, as *alcoholism*. [= F *-isme* f. L f. Gk *-ismos* or *-isma* f. *-isō* -IZE]

isan't. See **ss**.

iso- in comb. = Gk *isos* equal, as: **is'obar**¹ n., **-obar'ic** a., (line on map) connecting places at which barometric pressure is the same (at given time or on the average); **is'o-**

chets (-kfm) n., **~chets'al**, **~chm'enal**, (-k-), aa. & nn., (line on map) connecting places of same mean winter temperature; **~chromat'ic**, of same colour; **~chronous** (-ōkt'), occupying equal time, vibrating uniformly, as pendulum; **~clin'al**, **~clin'ic**, showing equal magnetic inclination (**~clinic lines**, lines joining, on a map or chart, points at which the magnetic dip is the same); **~cracy** (-ōkt') n., **~crat'ic** a., (polity) in which all have equal political power; **~dynam'ic**, indicating equal magnetic force; **~géotherm**, line connecting points in interior of earth having same temperature; **~gon'ic**, indicating equal angles (of magnetic variation); **~mé'ric**, composed of same elements in same proportions, & having same molecular weight, but differently grouped; **~mét'ric(al)**, of equal measure; **~morph'ism**, **~morph'ous**, (property of) crystallizing in same or closely related geometric forms; **~nomy** (-ōnt'), equality of political rights; **~perimét'rical**, having equal perimeters; **~seis'mal** (-siz-), connecting points at which earthquake shock is of same intensity; **~thermal** (-ōthk') a. & n., (line) connecting places of same mean summer temperature; **is'otherm** n., **~therm'al** a. & n., (line) connecting places of same mean annual temperature.

is'olāt|e, v.t. Place apart or alone; (Chem.) free (substance) from its combinations; (Electr.) = INSULATE; subject (person etc.) to quarantine. Hence **-ON**¹(2) n. [orig. in p.p., f. F *isolé* f. It. *isolato* (as INSULATE)]

isolā'tion, n. Isolating or being isolated; ~ *hospital or ward* (for patients with infectious diseases). Hence **-ISM**(3) n., policy of holding aloof from affairs of other countries, **-IST** n., advocate of this policy (also attrib.). [prec., -ATION]

-ison, suf. of nn., f. OF **-aison**, **-eison**, **-ison**, f. L **-ationem**, **-etionem**, **-itionem**; later formations took **-ATON**, **-ITION**. For **exx.** see **-SON**.

is'opód, n. Crustacean with seven pairs of equal & similarly placed thoracic legs. [**ISO** + Gk *pous podos* foot]

isós'celés (-selēs), a. (Of triangle) having two sides equal. [LL, f. Gk *iso(skelēs* f. *skelos* leg)]

is'otópe, n. One of two or more forms of an element differing from each other in weight of atoms. Hence **isotóp'ic** a., **isót'opy** n. [f. **ISO** + Gk *topos* place]

Is'ra'el (iz-), n. The Jewish people, whence **-ITE**¹(1) n., **-itish**¹ a.; (fig.) God's elect. [L, f. Gk *Isra'el* f. Heb. *yisra'el* striver with God (*Gen.* xxxii. 28)]

iss'üs', n. 1. Outgoing, outflow; termination (of matter etc.); discharge of blood etc., incision to procure this. 2. Way out, outlet; mouth of river. 3. Progeny, children, as *without male* ~. 4. Result, outcome; *in the* ~, as things turn out;

5. Point in question, esp. (Law) between contending parties in action, as ~ of fact (when fact is denied), ~ of law (when application of the law is contested). 6. At ~, (of persons) at variance, (of things) in dispute; join ~, proceed to argue (with person on point agreed upon as basis of dispute), (Law) submit an ~ jointly for decision, (of one party) accept the ~ tendered by the other. 7. Giving out, issuing, (of bills of exchange, notes, stamps, etc.); number of coins, notes, copies of newspaper, etc., issued at one time. Hence ~LESS (-lŭ-) a. [OF, f. pop. L *ex-ita* = L *exitus* -ŭs f. EX(ire it- go), whence OF *issir*]

iss'ue', v.i. & t. Go or come out (often out, forth); emerge from a condition; be derived, spring, (from); result (from); end, result, (in); come out, be published; send forth; publish, put into circulation, (notes, newspaper), whence iss'uable a., iss'uable n.; (Mil.) supply (soldier) with article of equipment. [f. prec.]

-ist, suf. forming personal nn.: (1) of agent, corresp. to Gk vbs in -izō or possible E vbs in -ize, as *antagonist*, *plagiarist*; (2) of adherent of creed etc. in -ism, as *atheist*, *ventriloquist*, *Darwinist*, *fatalist*; (3) of one concerned with any subject (apart from -ism, -ize), as *dentist*, *tobacconist*, *balloonist*, esp. as player of musical instrument (*violinist*). [-F -iste, It. & Sp. -ista, f. L -ista f. Gk -istēs (isō -ize + -is agent-suf.); *tobacconist*, *accompanist* are formed irreg.]

-ister, suf. of nn., f. OF -istre, by-form of -iste -ist, perh. by false anal. f. *ministre* (L *minister*) etc.; in E prob. associated with -er¹. EXX.: *chorister*, *palmister*, *sophister*.

isth'mus (or is'mus), n. (pl. ~uses). Neck of land; (Anat., Bot.) narrow part connecting two larger parts. Hence ~ian a. [L, f. Gk *isthmos*]

is'tle (-tlŭ), n. Fibre used for cord, nets, etc., got from species of agave etc. [f. Mex. *taltl*]

it¹, pron. (poss. *its*; pl. *they*, obj. *them*, poss. *their*). 1. The thing in question; the person in question, as *who is it* (that knocks) ? *it* (the person that knocks) *is I*, (arch. poet.) *it* (what occupies my mind) *is the miller's daughter, & she is grown so dear*, (nursery sympathetic) *has it lost its rattle then?* (have you, your). 2. (As subject of impers. vb) *it rains, it is cold; it (the season) is winter, it (the day) is Ash Wednesday, it is Ash Wednesday today, it (the distance) is 6 miles to Oxford; it says in the Bible* (the Bible says) *that all men are liars; I would go if it were not* (would go but) *for the expense*. 3. (As subject, anticipating deferred virtual subject in more or less conscious apposition) *it is absurd to believe* (or to talk) *like that, it is incredible that he should refuse, it is a dirty business,*

this meat-eating. 4. (Anticipating deferred subject introduced by *that* conj., separated from it by adv. predicate) *it is seldom that he fails, it is in vain that you quibble, it is to him that you must apply*.

5. (As antecedent to relative of either number & any gender, separated by predicate) *it was a purse that he dropped, it was the Russians that began it*. 6. (As indef. obj. w. trans. or intr. vb) *face it out, carry it with a high hand, deuce take it, run for it, lord it over him, cab it* (go habitually or on the particular occasion in cab), *give it him* (hot), *have done it* (blundered). 7. The ne plus ultra (colloq.; for barefaced lying you really are it). 8. Sex appeal (colloq.). [OE *hit* nom. & acc. f. (orig. demonstr.) stem *hi-* (nom. masc. HE); OE gen. *his*, dat. *him*; OE *hit* corresponds to Du. *het* & in form to Goth. *hita* this] || it², n. (colloq.). Short for *Italian vermouth* (in gin & ~). [abbr.]

it'acism (-ŭ), n. Pronunciation of Greek *ē* like English *ē*, cf. ETACISM; substitution in MS. of Greek *iota* for other vowels. [f. Gk *ēta* the letter *ē*, spelt *ita* to indicate the pronunc. (ēta)]

Ital'ian (itāl'yan), a. & n. 1. Of Italy; ~ cloth, satin-faced linen cloth for linings; ~ handwriting, that now current in Britain, Italy, France, etc., opp. to Gothic; ~ iron (cylindrical, with rounded end, for crimping lace etc.); || ~ ware-house(man), for supply of ~ groceries, fruits, olive oil, etc. 2. n. Language, native, of Italy. Hence ~ism(2, 4) n., ~ize(3) v.t. & i. [f. L *Italianus* (*Italia* Italy, see -AN)]

itāl'ic, a. & n. 1. (I-) of ancient Italy, esp. as apart from Rome; ~ type, sloping type introduced by Aldus Manutius of Venice (c. 1500). 2. n. pl. Letters thus sloping, now used for emphasis or distinction, e.g. to indicate foreign word (cf. ROMAN). [f. L f. Gk *Italikos* (*Italia* Italy, see -IO)]

itāl'icize, v.t. Print (words) in italics, usu. for emphasis or distinction. [-IZE]

Itāl'iot (-i-), -ōte, n. & a. (Inhabitant) of ancient-Greek colonies in S. Italy. [f. Gk *Italiōtēs* (*Italia* Italy, see -OT²)]

itch¹, n. Irritation in the skin; contagious disease accompanied by this & caused by the ~mite, which burrows in the skin; restless desire, hankering, (for thing, to do). Hence ~iness n., ~y² a. [OE *gices*, as foll.]

itch², v.i. Feel irritation in skin; scratch where it ~es (where there is an ~ing); (of person or his fingers) crawl uneasily (for thing, to do). [OE *gicc*(e)an, cf. Du. *jeuken*, G *jucken*]

-ite¹, suf. of adj. & nn., =F -ite f. L -itis f. Gk -itis (also used in E, as *pyritic*), w. sense 'one) belonging to or connected with'; (1) in names of persons, in mod. formation often deneg. (*Singularis*, *Singularis*,

Parnellite, *Shelleyite*, *Preraphaelite*); (2) in names of fossil organisms (*ammonite*, *belemnite*); of mineral species, often superseding *-ane*, *-in*, etc. (*anthracite*, *haematite*, *graphite*, *darwinite*); of constituent parts of body or organ (*esomite*, *cerite*, segment of body, of horn); of some saccharine substances, glucoses, etc. (*dulcite*, *pinite*); of explosives (*cordite*, *dynamite*); of commercial products (*ebonite*, *vulcanite*); of salts of acids denominated by aa. in *-ous* (*nitrite*, *sulphite*).

-ite², suf. formed in adjj. f. L p.p. in *-itus* (*erudite*, *composite*) & similar vbl nn. (*ap-petite*), & in vbs formed on L p.p. stem in *-it-* (*expedite*, *unite*); but vbs f. L p.p. st. *-it-* usu. end in *-it* (*deposiit*, *merit*).

It'ém, n. & adv. 1. Article, unit, included in enumeration; entry of this in account etc.; detail of news etc. in newspaper etc.; hence **-ize*(3) v.t., state by *-s*. 2. adv. Likewise, also, (introducing mention of ~). [L. adv., = in like manner, also, (is he + *-tem* adv. suf.)]

It'er'âte, v.t. Repeat (quoted words etc.); make (charge, assertion, objection, etc.) repeatedly. Hence or cogn. **-ANCE*, **-ANCY*, **-ATION*, nn., **-ATIVE* a. [f. L *iterare* (*iterum* again), see *-ATE*¹]

-ites. See *-ITE*¹.

It'hur'iel's spear (I-), n. Infallible test of genuineness. [Milt. *Par. Lost*, iv. 810]

It'hyp'háll'ic, a. & n. Of the phallus carried in Bacchic festivals; in the metre used for Bacchic hymns; (n.) poem in this metre, licentious poem. [f. L f. Gk *it'hup'hállikos* (*it'hus* straight + *phállus* PHALLUS, see *-IC*)]

It'in'er'ant, a. Travelling from place to place; (of justices) travelling on circuit; (of Methodist ministry) removing from circuit to circuit. Hence **-ANCY*, **-ANCY*, nn. (as *ITINERATE*, see *-ANT*)

It'in'er'ary, n. & a. Route; record of travel; guide-book; (adj.) of travelling, of roads. [f. LL *itinerarius* a., *-um* n. (also used in E). f. *iter* *itineris* journey, see *-ARY*¹]

It'in'er'âte, v.t. Travel from place to place; (of Methodist minister) remove from circuit to circuit. Hence **-ATION* n. [f. L *itinerari* (as prec.), see *-ATE*¹]

-ition, suf., = *-ION* appended to L 3rd or 4th conj. p.p. stems (*perdition*, *sortition*).

-itious¹, suf. of adjj., f. L *-icius* + *-ous* (*-i-* by confus. of c & t in LL MSS.), formed usu. on L p.p. stems (*facticious*); E wds in *-icious*, on the other hand, often repr. L stems with *-it-* + *-ious* (*avaricious*) as well as those in *-io-* + *-ious* (*suspicious*).

-itious², suf. (in appearance compd) in which *-ious* is appended to L stems in *-it-* (*ambitious*, *nutritious*, cf. *supposititious*), occas. also disguised as *-icious* (*malicious*).

-itis, suf. forming esp. names of inflammatory diseases (*appendicitis*, *bronchitis*).

f. Gk *-itis* adj., fem. of *-itês*, w. *nosos* disease understood.

-itous, suf. of adjj., = *-it*(Y) + *-ous*, corresp. to L *-itosus* for *-itosus* (*calamitosus* calamitous).

its, poss. a. See *IT*. [replaces *HIS* in 16th c.] **itself**, pron. Emphatic & reflexive form corresp. to *IT*; by ~, automatically, apart from its surroundings; in ~, apart from its surroundings, viewed in its essential qualities etc. [IT + *SELF*, but often treated as *ITS* + *self*, cf. *its own self*]

-ity. See *-TY*.

-ium, suf. forming names of elements, after *sodium* (*soda*), *potassium* (*potassa*); *aluminum* is changed to *-minium* to conform to the type, but some later metals have names in *-um*, the L termination for metals.

-ive, suf. forming adjj. w. sense 'tending to, having the nature of', f. F *-if* (fem. *-ive*) f. L *-ivus* added to p.p. stem (*activus*, *passivus*), pres. stem (*cadivus*), or noun (*tempestivus*). Most E wds are of mod. formation, chiefly in *-ite*, *-tive*, & esp. *-ative*, which tends to become living suf. (*talkative*). Some are formed immed. on vb stems (esp. in *-s*, *-c*, *-t*), as *amusive*, *coercive*. *COESTIVE* is not an ex.

iv'ory, n. Hard white substance composing main part of tusks of elephant, hippopotamus, walrus, narwhal, & (fossil ~) mammoth; *vegetable* ~, hard albumen of seed of S.-Amer. palm (~ *nut*); *black* ~, African negro slaves; colour of ~; (sl., pl.) dice, billiard-balls, piano-keys; (sl., sing. or pl.) teeth; (pl.) articles made of ~; ~ *black*, black pigment from calcined ~; ~ *town*. [f. OF *ivoire* f. L *eborea* a. (*ebur* - *oris*)]

iv'y, n. Climbing evergreen shrub, with dark-green shining leaves, usu. five-angled; ~ *geranium*, ~-leaved pelargonium. Hence *iv'ined*¹ (*-id*) a. [OE *ifig*, etym. dub.]

ix'ia, n. Genus of S.-Afr. iridaceous plants, with large showy flowers. [Gk]

Ixi'on's wheel (I-), n. (Gk Myth.). Wheel on which Ixion was condemned to revolve eternally in Hades.

iz'ard, n. Capriform antelope of Pyrenees, allied to chamois. [f. F *isard*, etym. dub.]

-ize, *-ise*, suf. of vbs, = F *-iser* f. LL *-izare* f. Gk *-izo*; in Gk either intr., 'act like', as *hellenizo*, speak, act as a Greek, or trans., as *katharizo* clean; Christian Gk vbs, as *euangelizo* evangelize, were first Latinized, & *-izare* so established as L for Gk vbs (cf. G *-iren* for Rom. vbs); F extended *-iser* to form vbs from names etc., whence the mod. use. *-ise* is the better spelling for all wds, mod. or f. Gk, that contain the Gk suf. (*adversize*, *surprize*, etc., do not). Meanings: (1) trans., treat in such a way (*catharize*); (2) intr., follow, have, such a practice or feeling (*apostatize*, *sympathize*); (3) t. & f.; bring,

come, into such a state (*pulverize, anglicize, cicatrize*); (4) t. & i., act like, treat on system of, (*Calvinize, Bowdlerize*); (5) trans., impregnate etc. with (*oxidize*). Nn. are formed in *-izer, -ization*, as well as *-ist, -ism*.

izz'ard, n. (arch.). The letter z (*from A to I*). [var. of ZED]

izz'at, n. (Anglo-Ind. and Eastern). Honour, reputation, self-respect (occas. self-importance). [Arab.]

J

J, j, (jā), letter (pl. Js, J's). *J* (*per*), broad-pointed pen stamped with J.

jā'al-goat (*or yah*), n. Wild goat of Sinai, Upper Egypt, etc. [f. Heb. *ya'el* wild goat]

jāb, v.t. (-bb-). & n. 1. Poke roughly; stab; thrust (thing) abruptly (*into*). 2. n. Abrupt blow with pointed thing or fist; (Mil.) supplementary bayonet thrust delivered without full withdrawal from previous one. [prob. imit.]

jābb'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak volubly & with little sense; utter (words) rapidly & indistinctly; chatter, as monkeys etc. 2. n. ~ing, gabble, gibberish. (n. f. vb) prob. imit., with -ēē'

jāb'iru (-ōō), n. Tropical American bird of stork family. [native]

jāborān'dī, n. Dried leaflets of Brazilian plant with diuretic & sudorific properties. [f. native *jaborandi*]

jābot' (zhābō'), n. Ornamental frill on woman's bodice; (Hist.) frill on man's shirt-front. [F, etym. dub.]

jāc'ana (-ah), n. Small tropical wading bird with disproportionately large straight claws (enabling it to walk on floating leaves). [corrupt. f. native name]

jā'cynth, n. Reddish-orange gem, variety of zircon. [f. OF *iacinte*, as HYACINTH]

jāck', n. (*J*~) familiar form of name *John*, esp. as type of the common people, as *J*~ & GILL; *every man*~, every individual; ~ ~ tar; || labourer, man who does odd jobs, etc.; CHEAP *J*~; STREPLE~; (Cards) knave; machine for turning spit in roasting meat; machine for lifting heavy weights; (also *carriage*~) machine for lifting axle off ground while cleaning wheel; BOOT~; parts of various machines etc.; pike, esp. young or small one; (Bowle) ball for players to aim at; *J*~ Frost, frost personified; *before you could say J*~ Robinson, very quickly or suddenly; *J*~a-dandy, dandy; ~ass, male ass, dolt, blockhead; *laughing* ~ass, Giant Kingfisher of Australia; ~boot, large boot coming above knee; ~daw, thievish small crow haunting church towers; *J*~ in office, fussy official; ~in-the-box, toy figure that springs out of box when opened, (also) kind of firework;

J~in-the-green, man or boy enclosed in framework covered with leaves in May-day sports; *J*~ Ketch, common hangman; ~knife, large clasp-knife for the pocket; *J*~ of all trades, one who can turn his hand to anything; ~o'-lantern, will-o'-the-wisp (often fig.); ~plane (for coarse work); ~pot (Poker), accumulating pool that can only be opened by player holding two ~s or better; ~pudding, buffoon, clown; ~rafter, short rafter in hip-roof; ~snipe (small species); ~tar, common sailor; ~towel (endless, hung from roller). [prob. conn. w. *John*, but perh. f. F. Jacques James f. L f. Gk *Iakobos* Jacob]

jāck', v.t. Hoist with jack; ~ up, abandon (attempt etc., or abs.). [first sense f. prec.; for second cf. *chuck*]

jāck', n. Ship's flag, smaller than ensign, esp. one flown from ~-staff at bow, indicating nationality, as *British, French*, ~; single flag flown on foremast as signal for pilot (Brit. pilot's ~, union ~ with white border); UNION *J*~; ~-staff, (also) stick on which flag is bent that is to show above mast-head. [prob. = JACK']

jāck', n. (arch.). Foot-soldier's sleeveless tunic; (also *black*~) vessel for liquor, usu. of waxed leather coated with tar etc. [f. F *jaque*, etym. dub.]

jāck', n. E.-Ind. fruit, like bread-fruit but coarser. [f. Port. *jaca* f. Malayalam *chakka*]

jāck'al (-awl), n., & v.i. (-ll-). Animal of dog kind, of size of fox, formerly supposed to hunt up lion's prey for him; (fig.) person who does preparatory drudgery etc.; (vb) act as ~ (*for*). [f. Turk. *chakal* f. Pers. *shagal*, cogn. w. Skr. *ś'rgala*]

jāck'anāpes (-ps), n. || (Arab.) monkey; pert fellow; coxcomb; pert child. [earlier *Jack Napes*, first found of William de la Pole, Duke of Suffolk (d. 1450), whose badge was a clog & chain, such as was used for tame ape]

jāck'arōō, n. (Austral. sl.). New chum, novice. [perh. portmanteau of *Jack* and *kangaroo*]

jāck'ēt, n., & v.t. 1. Sleeved outer garment for man or woman; NORFOLK, ETOW, || DINNKE, ~; *dust his*~, beat him; outer covering round boiler etc. for protection, keeping in heat, etc.; paper wrapper, freq. coloured & artistically designed, in which a bound book is issued; animal's coat; *potatoes boiled in their* ~s (skins). 2. v.t. Cover with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *jaquet*, dim. as JACK']

Jāc'ob, n. ~'s ladder, plant with corymbs of blue or white flowers, & leaves suggesting ladder, (Naut.) rope ladder with wooden rungs, esp. one slung from a boom to the water; ~'s staff, surveyor's iron-shod rod used instead of tripod, (also) instrument for measuring distances & heights. [f. L f. Gk *Iakobos* f. Heb. *ya'aqob*]

Jacobé'an, a. Of the reign of James I; of St James the Less; (in furniture trade) of the colour of dark oak. [f. LL *Jacobaeus* (*Jacobus* as prec., whence *James*), see -AN]

Jac'obin', n. Dominican friar [from convent near to church of S. Jacques]; member of extreme democratic club established in Paris in old ~ convent (1789), sympathizer with its principles, extreme radical, whence *Jacobin'* (AL) aa., ~ISM (3) n., ~IZE (3) v.t. [f. f. med. L *Jacobinus* (JACOB, -INE¹)]

Jac'obin', n. Pigeon with reversed feathers on back of neck, suggesting cowl. [f. F *jacobine*, fem. as prec.]

Jac'ob'ite, n. Adherent of James II after his abdication, or of his descendants. Hence ~it'ICAL a., ~ITISM (3) n. [f. L *Jacobus* James + -ITE¹]

Jac'ob'us, n. (pl. ~es). English gold coin struck in reign of James I, worth 20-24s. [as prec.]

Jac'onet, n. Cotton cloth of medium thickness, esp. dyed waterproofed kind for poulticing etc. [f. Hind. *Jagannathi* f. place-name]

Jacquard (jāk'ard) lōom, n. Loom fitted with apparatus invented by J. M. Jacquard of Lyons (d. 1834) to facilitate the weaving of figured fabrics.

jacquerie (zhākér'), n. Rising of peasantry, esp. that of 1357-8 in France. [f. (*Jacques* James, peasant, see -ERY)]

Jacitā'tion, n. || (Law) ~ of marriage, offence of falsely claiming to be a person's wife or husband; (Med.) restless tossing of body in illness; twitching of limb or muscle. [f. med. L *jacitatio* f. L *jacitare* toss, boast, (*jacere* jact-, throw), see -ATION]

Jade', n., & v.t. Inferior, wearied, or worn-out horse; (in reprobat., usu. playful) woman; (v.t., esp. in p.p.) wear out with hard work. [?]

Jade', A silicate of lime & magnesia, a hard green, blue, or white stone, a variant of hornblende; (also ~'ite, pr. -dit) silicate of sodium & aluminum like this in appearance. [f. F *le jade* for *l'écade* f. Sp. (*pedra de*) *ijada* (stone of) the colic, f. L *thia* pl. flank]

J'adoube (shahdōb'), phr. Expression used by a chess-player touching a piece he does not propose to move (= I adjust). [F]

Jaeg'er (yäg-), n. Kind of woollen clothing-material from which vegetable fibres are excluded as unwholesome. [person; F]

Jaff'a, n. (Used for) kind of dessert orange. [~ in Palestine, the bibl. *Joppa*]

Jāg', n. Sharp projection, e.g. point of rock. Hence ~g'r' (-g-) a. [prob. imit.]

Jāg', v.t. (-gg-). Out, tear, in uneven manner; make indentations in, whence ~g'ra' (2) n. Hence ~g'g'it' adv., ~g'g'it'ness n., (-g-). [f. prec.]

Jāg', n. (sl.). Drinking bout. [dial., = load for one horse, etym. dub.]

Jāger. = YAGRA.

Jāg'er'y (-g-), n. Coarse brown Indian sugar made from palm-sap; other crude sugar. [f. Indo-Port. *jagara* (cf. Hind. *shakar* sugar)]

jāghir(e)' (jagēr'), n. (India). Assignment by the State of a district & its revenue to an individual or body, with power to administer; tract so assigned. Hence ~dār' (-dār-) n., holder of a ~e [Pers. *dār* holder]. [f. Pers. *jā* place + *ghir* hold-ing]

Jāg'uar (-war, -ūar), n. Large carnivorous spotted quadruped of cat kind, in some wooded parts of America. [f. native *yaguara*

Jah, n. Jehovah. [repr. Heb. *Yah* shortened form of *Yahweh* JEHOVAH]

jail etc. See GAOL etc.

Jain (jīn), n. & a. (Member) of a non-Brahminical E.-Ind. sect, with doctrines like those of Buddhism. Hence ~ISM n. [f. Hind. f. Skr. *jaina* of a Buddha (*jina* f. root *ji* conquer)]

jāl'ap, n. Purgative drug got esp. from tuberous roots of a Mexican climbing plant. [F, f. Sp. *jalapa* f. *Xalapa*, Ja, Mexican city, f. Aztec *Xalapān* (*xalli* sand + *all* water + *pan* upon)]

jealousie (zhāl'ōzē), n. Blind, shutter, with slats sloping upwards from without. [F, as JEALOUSY]

jām', v.t. & i. (-mm-), & n. 1. Squeeze (thing) between two surfaces; cause (part of machine) to be fixed so that it cannot work; squeeze (things) together in compact mass; thrust (thing) violently (into space); block, fill up, (passage etc.) by crowding into it; become tightly wedged; (Wireless) make (message, instrument) unintelligible by operating elsewhere. 2. n. Crush, squeeze, stoppage (of machine etc.) due to this; crowded mass; (sl.) fix, awkward position; ~-stroke, = PENDULUM stroke. [prob. imit.]

jām', n. Conserve of fruit, made by boiling it with sugar to a thick consistency; (sl.) real ~, a real treat. [perh. f. prec.]

Jamaic'a, n. ~ (rum), rum made in ~.

jamb (jām), n. Side post of doorway, window, etc., esp. (pl.) stone sides or checks of fireplace. [f. F *jambe* leg f. LL *gamba* hoof, perh. f. Celt. *camb*-crooked]

jāmboree', n. (sl.). Celebration, merry-making; large rally of boy scouts. [U.-S.]

Jān(e)'ite (-ni-), n. Admirer of Jane Austen's novels. [-ITE¹(1)]

jangle (jāng'g), v.i. & t., & n. (Make) harsh noise; cause (bell etc.) to do this; speak, utter, in discordant or noisy way; (arch.) dispute, wrangle, (n. & vb.) [R. f. vb] f. OF *jangler*, etym. dub.]

jān'itor, n. Doorkeeper. [L, f. *janus* door]

jān'izārī, -**missārī**, (jā-, yā-), n. (Hist.) one of body of Turkish infantry forming Sultan's guard (abolished in 1826); Turkish soldier; (fig.) personal instrument of tyranny. [ult. f. Turk. *yehi-taheri* (*yehi* new + *taheri* soldiery)]

jānn'ock, a. (dial., esp. Lancs. & Yorks.). Straightforward, honest, genuine. [†]

Jān'senist, n. Member of party in Rom. Cath. Church holding with Cornelius Jansen (d. 1638) the perverseness & inability for good of the natural human will. So ~ism n., ~is'tic a. [-IST]

Jān'uārī, n. (abbr. *Jan.*). First month of year. [f. *L. Januarius* (*mensis* month) of JANUS, see -ARY¹]

Jān'us, n. Ancient Italian god, guardian of doors & gates, represented with faces on front & back of head. [L]

Jāp, a. & n. (colloq.). Japanese. [abbr.]

japān', n. 1. (J~) island group on east of Asia, whence JAPANESE' (-ēz) a. & n., JAPANESEQUE' (-ēsk) a. 2. Hard varnish, esp. kind brought orig. from J~; work in Japanese style. [prob. f. Malay *Japung* f. Chin. *Jih-pun* sunrise (*Jih* sun + *pun* origin)]

japān', v.t. (-nn-). Lacquer with japan; make black & glossy as with japan. [f. prec.]

jāpe, v.i., & n. (literary). Jest. [f. 14th c.; etym. dub.]

Japhet'ic, a. Of, descended from, Japheth son of Noah; Indo-European. [-IC]

japōn'ic, a. Japanese. [f. *Japon* JAPAN, -IC]

japōn'ica, n. Kinds of Japanese plant, esp. ornamental variety of pear or quince. [mod. *L* fem. adj. as prec.]

jāp', n. Sound, vibration, esp. harsh one; thrill of nerves or feelings, shock; want of harmony, disagreement; quarrel. [as foll.]

jāp', v.i. & t. (-rr-). Sound discordantly, make grating impression (upon person, his ear, nerves, etc.); strike with grating sound (upon, against, object); (of body affected) vibrate, resound, discordantly; (of opinion, statement, action) be at variance, disagree, (with); dispute, wrangle; cause (thing) to ~; send shock through (nerves). Hence ~r'ingly¹ adv. [prob. imit.]

jāp', n. Earthenware, stoneware, or glass vessel with or without handle(s), usu. cylindrical; LAYDEN ~. Hence ~ru(2) n. [f. *F. jarre* f. Arab. *jarrah*]

jāp', n. (colloq.). On the, on a, on, ~, ajar. [corrupt. of AJAR]

jardinière (shārdīnyār'), n. Ornamental pot or stand for display of growing flowers in room, on window-sill, etc. [F]

jārg'on', n. Unintelligible words, gibberish; barbarous or debased language; mode of speech full of unfamiliar terms, as *crises* ~, *metaphysical* ~; twittering of birds. Hence ~ness, s) v.t. & i. [-OY, etym. dub.]

jārg'on', **jārgōn'**, n. Translucent, colourless, or smoky variety of zircon found in Ceylon. [F, perh. ult. f. *smoos*]

jārgonēlle', n. Kind of pear that ripens early. [F, dim. of prec.]

jārl (y-), n. (hist.). Old Norse or Danish chief. [ON, orig. man of noble birth; = EARL]

jā'r'rah, n. (Durable timber of) W. Austral. mahogany gum-tree. [f. native *Jerrhyl*]

jārv'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Hackney-coachman; driver of Irish car. [by-form of surname *Jarvis*]

jās'ey, n. (old sl.). Wig, esp. of worsted. [†]

jās'min(e), **jēs'samin(e)**, n. Genus of shrubs with white or yellow salver-shaped flowers, esp. common or white ~, climbing shrub with fragrant flowers. [f. Arab. f. Pers. *yasmin*; F has *jasmin*, *jessamin*]

jas'per (-ah-), n. Opaque variety of quartz, usu. red, yellow, or brown. [f. OF *jaspere* f. *L* f. Gk *iaspis*, of oriental orig. = any bright chalcedony except carnelian; cf. Heb. *yashpeh*]

Jat (jaht), n. Member of a people widely distributed in N.W. India & varying in religion & occupation.

jaun'dice (jaw-, jah-), n., & v.t. 1. Morbid state caused by obstruction of bile, & marked by yellowness of skin, fluids, & tissues, constipation, & loss of appetite; disordered vision (usu. fig.), as characteristic of this. 2. v.t. Affect with ~; (fig. esp. in p.p.) affect (person, his judgement etc.) with envy or jealousy. [(vb prob. back formation f. *jaundiced**) f. *F jaunice* (*jaune* yellow f. *L galbinus* f. *galbus*, -ious)]

jaunt (jaw-, jah-), v.i., & n. (Take) excursion, journey, esp. for pleasure; ~ing-car, light two-wheeled vehicle popular in Ireland. [†]

jaun'ty (jaw-, jah-), a. & n. 1. Having or affecting easy sprightliness, airy self-satisfaction. 2. n. (naut. sl.). || Head of ship's police. Hence ~ily¹ adv., ~ness n. [earlier *jantee* f. *F gentil* GENTLE]

Ja'van, **Javanese'** (-z), (jah-), aa. & nn. (Native) of Java; (-ese) language of central Java. [-AN, -ESE; the needless -ese prob. on false anal. of *Japanese*]

jāv'elin (-vl-), n. Light spear, dart. [f. *F javeline*, perh. of Celt. orig.]

jaw, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Lower, upper, ~, two bones or sets of bones forming framework of mouth & masticating apparatus in vertebrates; ~bone, each of the two bones forming lower ~ in most mammals, these two combined into one in others; (pl.) bones of mouth including teeth, mouth; (pl.) narrow mouth of valley, channel, etc.; (pl.) seizing members of machine, e.g. vice; (colloq.) loquacity, as *hold your ~*, stop talking, (also) sermonizing talk, lecture; ~breaker (colloq.), word hard to pronounce. 2. v.b. (sl.). Speak

- esp. at tedious length; lecture (person). [vbf. n.] perh. cogn. w. CHEW]
- jay**, n. Noisy chattering European bird of brilliant plumage; genus to which this belongs; (fig.) impertinent chatterer, simpleton; ~-walker, pedestrian who crosses, or walks in, a street or road without due care or regard for traffic regulations. [OF, perh. f. OHG *gahi* quick]
- jazz**, n., a., & v.l. & t. 1. Music & dance of U.-S. negro origin with characteristic harmony & ragtime rhythm; noisy or grotesque proceedings. 2. adj. Discordant, loud in colour etc., rude, burlesque; ~ band (of such combinations as piano, trumpet, saxophone, banjo, & drums). 3. vb. Play, dance, indulge in, ~; transform into, arrange as, ~. [?]
- jealous** (jē-), a. Solicitous for preservation of (rights etc.); apprehensive of being displaced in the love or good-will of (wife, husband, lover, friend; also of the supposed rival); envious (of person, his advantages, etc.); (Bibl., of God) intolerant of unfaithfulness; (of inquiry, supervision, etc.) suspiciously vigilant. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *gelos* f. LL *zelosus* (as ZEAL, see -OUS)]
- jealousy** (jēlu-), n. Quality, state, of being jealous. [f. OF *gelosi* (as prec., see -Y³)]
- jean** (jān or jēn), n. Twilled cotton cloth; (pl.) garment of this, short slacks. [prob. = ME *Gene* f. med. L *Janua* Genoa]
- jeep**, n. Small utility motor vehicle. [f. *g p*, pr. jē pē, initials of *general purposes*]
- jeer**¹, n. (naut.). (Usu. pl.) tackle for hoisting & lowering lower yards. [?]
- jeer**², v.l. & t., & n. 1. Scoff derisively (at); deride. 2. n. Gibe, taunt. [?]
- jeHAD**. See JEHAD.
- Jēhōv'ah** (-a), n. Principal name of God in O.T. [repr. Heb. *yahaveh*, perh. f. *havaah* be, exist]
- Jēhōv'ist**, n. Author(s) of those parts of the Hexateuch in which God is called *Jehovah* (cf. ELOHIST). Hence Jēhōvis'tic a. [-IST]
- Jē'hū**, n. (joc.). Furious driver; driver. [2 *Kings* ix. 20]
- jējune'** (-ōbn), a. Meagre, scanty; (of land) barren; unsatisfying to the mind. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *jejunos* fasting]
- Jēk'yil** and Hȳde, n. Single person in whom two personalities alternate. [Dr J. & Mr H., by Stevenson]
- jēll'y**, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Soft stiff semi-transparent food, consisting chiefly of gelatin, got from skin, bones, etc., by boiling & cooling; a similar preparation of juice of fruit etc.; ~bag (for straining ~); ~flak, pop. name of medusa or sea-nettle; || ~graph, copying apparatus employing sheet of ~ in tray. 2. vb. (Cause to) set as ~, congeal. [vbf. f. n. f. F *gelder* frost f. L *gelata* (gelare freeze, see -Y³)]
- jēm'adāf**, n. Junior native officer of Indian army; Indian police-officer; head servant; (Anglo-Ind. colloq.) sweeper (domestic scavenger). [Urdu, f. Pers. (Arab.) *jama'* collection (of men) + Pers. *dār* holder]
- || **jēmim'as** (-z), n. pl. (colloq.). Elastic-sided boots; goloched cloth over-boots. [f. female personal name]
- jēmm'y**, n. Crowbar used by burglars, usu. made in sections; || sheep's head as a dish. [fam. form of *James*]
- je ne sais quoi** (zhensākwah'), n. An indescribable something. [F, = I know not what]
- jēnn'et**, n. Small Spanish horse. [f. F *genet* f. Sp. *jinete* light horseman, etym. dub.]
- jēnn'eting**, n. Kind of early apple. [prob. f. F name *Jeannet* + -ING³]
- jēnn'y**, n. Locomotive crane; = SPINNING-~; a stroke at billiards; ~ wren, (pop. & nursery name for) wren. [fam. form of *Janel*]
- jeo'pardize** (jēp-), v.t. Endanger. [foll., -IZE]
- jeo'pardy** (jēp-), n. Danger. [ME *iupart* f. OF *iu* (or *ieu*) *parti* divided (i.e. even) game, f. L *focus* game + *partitus* p.p. of *partiri* divide f. *pars* -rtis part]
- jēqu'irity**, n. Indian twining shrub with parti-coloured seeds used for ornament & in medicine. [f. F *jéquirity* f. native *jekiriti*]
- jērbō'a** (or jērb'), n. Small rodent of African deserts, with long hind legs & great jumping powers. [f. Arab. *yarbu'* flesh of loins, jerboa]
- jēremi'ad**, n. Lamentation, doleful complaint. [f. F *jérémiade* f. *Jérémie* f. L *Jeremias* Jeremiah, see -AD]
- Jēremi'ah**, n. Doleful prophet or denouncer of the times. [Lamentations of ~, O.-T. bk]
- Jē'richo** (-kō), n. Town in Palestine; go to ~ (to the devil).
- jērid'** (-ēd), -eed, n. Javelin used by Persian, Turkish, & Arabian horsemen; game in which this is used. [f. Arab. *jarid*]
- jērk**¹, n. Sharp sudden pull, twist, etc.; involuntary spasmodic contraction of muscle; (pl.) spasmodic movements of limbs or face, esp. in religious excitement; PHYSICAL ~s. Hence ~'LY² adv., ~'INESS n., ~'Y² a. [prob. imit.]
- jērk**², v.t. & i. Pull, thrust, twist, etc., with a jerk; throw with suddenly arrested motion; (intr.) move with a jerk. [as prec.]
- jērk**³, v.t. Cure (esp. beef) by cutting in long slices & drying in sun. [f. Amer. Sp. *charquear* (*charque* f. Peruv. *ocharquí* dried flesh)]
- jērk'in**, n. (hist.). Man's close-fitting jacket, often of leather. [?]
- Jērobō'am**, n. Wine-bottle of 8-12 times ordinary size. [A mighty man of valour]

'who made Israel to sin'—1 Kings xi. 23, xiv. 16]

jerry, n. ~*builder*, ~*building*, bulider, building, of unsubstantial houses with bad materials; ~*built*, so built; || (also ~*shop*) low beer-shop; || (sl.) chamber-pot; (army sl. J~) German soldier, the Germans. [prob. fam. form of *Jeremiah*]

jerry-mander. Erron. var. of **GERRY-MANDER**.

jers'ey (-zī), n. (pl. ~s). 1. (J~). One of the Channel Islands (often attrib.); J~ cow. 2. Close-fitting woollen knitted tunic, esp. as worn in athletic exercises; similar garment worn as undervest; woman's close-fitting knitted jacket.

Jerus'alem (-rōō-), n. City in Palestine; ~ (*pony*), donkey; ~ **ARTICHOKE**.

jess, n., & v.t. 1. Short strap of leather, silk, etc., round legs of hawk used in falconry. 2. v.t. Put ~s on (hawk). [(vb f. n.) f. OF *ges* nom. of *gel* f. L *jacus* -ūs throw f. *jacere* *ject*-]

jessamine. See **JASMINE**.

Jess'è, n. ~*window* (with Christ's descent from ~ represented). [*Is.* xi. 1, *Math.* i. 6, 16]

jest¹, n. Piece of raillery or banter; taunt, jeer; joke; fun, esp. in ~, not seriously; object of derision, as a *standing* ~; ~*book*, book of ~s. [orig.=exploit, f. OF *geste* f. L *gesta*, neut. pl. p.p. of *gerere* do]

jest², v.i. Joke; jeer; speak, act, in trifling manner, whence ~ingly² adv. [f. prec.]

jester, n. One who jests, esp. professed maker of amusement maintained in court or noble household. [-æz¹]

Jés'uit (-z-), n. Member of Society of Jesus, R.-C. order founded by Ignatius Loyola (1533) (fig., hist.) dissembling person, prevaricator; ~s' (Peruvian) bark. Hence **Jésuit'ICAL**, **Jésuit'ically** adv., ~ISM(2), ~RY(4), nn., ~IZE(3) v.t. & i., (-z-). [f. mod. L *Jesuita* (*Jesus*, see -ITE¹)]

jët¹, n. & a. Hard black lignite taking brilliant polish; (of) colour of this, deep glossy black, (also ~black). [f. OF *jaiet* f. L f. Gk *gagale*, acc. to Pliny f. *Gagae* town in Lycia]

jët², n. Stream of water, steam, gas, etc., shot forward or upwards esp. from small opening; spout, nozzle, for emitting water etc. thus; ~*propelled*, (esp. of aircraft) deriving propulsive power from the backward thrust of high-velocity ~s of gas discharged through nozzles in the rear of the wings, fuselage, etc.; so *jet* attrib., as ~*engine*, *plane*. [f. foll. & f. F *jet* as foll.]

jët³, v.t. & i. (-tt-). Spurt forth in jets. [f. F *jeter* throw f. LL *jectare*=L *jacere* frequent. of *jacere* *ject*-throw]

jët'sam, n. Goods thrown overboard from ship to lighten it, & (in mod. use) washed ashore (cf. **FLUTAM**). [-foll.]

jët't'son, n., & v.t. 1. Throwing of goods overboard, esp. to lighten ship in distress. 2. Throw (goods) overboard thus. [(vb f. n.) f. AF *getteson* (OF *getaisson*) f. L *jectatio-nem* (*jacere* throw, see JET³ & -ATION)]

jët't'on, n. Counter with stamped or engraved device. [F *jeton* (*jeton*, see JET³)]

jët't'y¹, n. Mole running out to defend harbour or coast; landing-pier. [f. OF *jelee* (mole) thrown out, fem. p.p. as JET³]

jët't'y², a. Jet-black. [JET¹, -y²]

jeu (see Ap.), n. (pl. ~s, pr. zhër). ~*de mots* (dèmo), play on words, pun; ~*d'esprit* (dèsprè'), witty or humorous (usu. literary) trifle. [F]

jeune premier (zhèrn premyä'), n. (Theatr.) juvenile lead. [F]

jeunesse dorée (see Ap.), n. The gilded youth, young swells. [F]

Jew¹ (jöö), n. Person of Hebrew race; (transf., colloq.) extortionate usurer, driver of hard bargains; *rich as a ~*; *unbelieving ~*, incredulous person; *tell that* (an unlikely tale) *to the ~s*; ~*baiting*, persecution of ~s; ~*s'-ear*, edible cup-shaped fungus; ~*s'-harp*, small lyre-shaped musical instrument, played by holding frame between teeth & striking metal tongue. Hence ~ESS¹ n., ~IZZ¹ a., (jöö-). [f. OF *giu* f. L f. Gk *Ioudaios* f. Aramaic *y'hudai*=Heb. *y'hudi* f. *y'hudah* Judah]

Jew² (jöö), v.t. (colloq.). Cheat, overreach. [prec.]

jew'el (jöö-), n., & v.t. (-il-). 1. Ornament containing precious stone(s), worn for personal adornment; precious stone; highly prized person or thing; *the ~house*, room in Tower of London in which crown ~s are kept; hence or cogn. ~IZZ¹ a., ~IRRY(1), ~RY, nn., ~LY² a. 2. v.t. Adorn, furnish, with ~s; fit (watch) with ~s for the pivot-holes. [(vb f. n.) f. AF *juel*=OF *joel*, perh. ult. f. L *gaudium* joy, or cogn. w. F *jeu* play f. L *lucus*]

jew'ing (jöö-), n. Wattles at base of beak in some domestic pigeons. [*Jew* (from resemblance to hooked nose) + -ING¹]

Jewry (joor¹), n. The Jews; (Hist.) Jews' quarter in town etc. [f. OF *fuerie* (JEW, -ERY)]

jezail' (-zīl), n. Long Afghan musket. [Pers. *jezd'ūl*]

Jëz'ebel, n. Impudent or abandoned woman; woman who paints her face. [-, wife of Ahab]

jib¹, n. Triangular stay-sail from outer end of ~boom to fore-topmast head in large ships, from bowsprit to masthead in smaller ones; *cul of his ~*, his personal appearance; ~*boom*, spar run out from end of bowsprit; projecting arm of crane. [perh. abbr. of GIBBER]

jib², v.t. & i. (naut.; -bb-). Pull (sail, yard) round from one side of ship to the other; (intr., of sail etc.) swing round thus. [*Da has gibbs* (hard g) in same sense]

jib, v.i. (-bb-). (Of horse etc.) stop & refuse to go on, move backwards or sideways instead of going on, whence ~b'ar' n.; (fig.) refuse to proceed in some action; ~at, show repugnance to (course, person). [1]

jibb'a(h) (-ba), jū- (or jōb-), dj-, n. Mohammedan's long cloth coat. [Arab. (ju-)]

jib door (dōt), n. Door flush with wall in which it stands, usu. painted etc. so as to be indistinguishable. [1]

jibe. See **gibe**.

jif (y), n. (colloq.). Very short time, as *in a ~*, (*wait*) *half a ~*. [1]

jig, n. Lively dance; music for this, usu. in three-four or six-eight time; appliance that holds a piece of work & guides the tools operating upon it. [etym. dub.; mod. *F gigue* jig is prob. f. this, not f. OF *gigue*, kind of fiddle]

jig, v.i. & t. (-gg-). Dance a jig; move (t. & l.) up & down rapidly & jerkily; separate coarser & finer portions of (ore) by shaking it under water in box with perforated bottom; ~saw, machine fretsaw (~saw puzzle, picture pasted on board & cut in irregular pieces with ~saw). [as prec.]

jigg'er (-g-), n. (Naut.) small tackle consisting of a double & single block with rope; small sail, small smaok with this; (Billiards) rest for cue (sl.); (Golf) iron club with narrow face; one who jigs ore; ~mast, aftermost mast in four-master. [partly f. prec. + -er]

jigg'er (-g-), n. = **CHGOL**. [corrupt.]

jigg'er (-g-), v.t. (only in pass.). (As substitute for oath) *I'm ~ed* etc. [1]

jigg'ery-pōk'ery (-g-), n. (colloq.). Underhand scheming; hocus-pocus, humbug. [etym. dub., cf. Sc. *jouk* to dodge]

jiggle, v.t. Rock or jerk lightly. [f. **JIG** + -LE(3)]

jihad, jē-, (-ahd), n. Religious war of Mohammedans against unbelievers; (fig.) crusade for or against a doctrine etc. [Arab. (jā-)]

jill. See **gill**.

jilt, n., & v.t. 1. Woman who capriciously casts off lover after giving him encouragement; (rarely) man who treats woman thus. 2. v.t. Play the ~ towards, be faithless to. [(vb f. n.) prob. f. obs. *gillot*, prob. dim. of name **GILL**]

***Jim Crow** (-ō), n. Negro (~ car, to which Negroes are restricted on railroads); implement for straightening iron bars or rails by screw pressure. [nick-name]

jim'in'y, int. (aroh.). = **GEMINI**.

jim-jams, n. pl. (sl.). Delirium tremens; fit of the creeps. [whimsical reduplication]

jimp, a. (So.). Slender, graceful; scanty. [1]

jingle (jing'el), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Mingled noise like that of small bells, links of chain, etc.; repetition of same or similar

sounds in words, esp. if designed to catch the attention; ~ing verse; Irish & Australian covered two-wheeled car. 2. vb. Make, cause (keys etc.) to make, a ~; (of writing) be full of alliterations, rhymes, etc. [limit.]

jing'o (-ngg-), int., n. (pl. ~es), & a. 1. (In asseveration) *by (the living) ~*; supporter of bellicose policy, blustering patriot (esp. supporter of Lord Beaconsfield's policy in 1878, f. use of *by* ~ in popular song). 2. adj. Vulgarly dashing. Hence ~ism(2), ~ist(2), nn., ~is'tic a. [orig. conjurer's gibberish]

jink, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Move elusively, dodge, elude by dodging; (sl.) manoeuvre aircraft, be manoeuvred, jerkily to avoid anti-aircraft fire etc. 2. n. Act of ~ing; high ~s, bolsterous sport, merrymaking. [orig. So.; prob. limit. of nimble motion]

jinnee, n. (pl. *jinn*, often used as sing.; fem. ~yeh pr. -yā). (In Mohammedan demonology) spirit, lower than angels, able to appear in human & animal forms, & having supernatural power over men (also GENIE). [f. Arab. *jinni*]

jinrick'sha, -rik'isha, n. Light two-wheeled hooded vehicle drawn by man or men, first used in Japan c. 1870. [Jap. (-kisha), f. *jīn* man + *rikī* power + *sha* vehicle]

***jinx**, n. (sl.). Person or thing that brings bad luck. [1]

jirg'a, n. Assembly of Afghan headmen. [Pushbu]

***jit'ney**, n. (sl.). Five cents; motor-bus carrying passengers at low rates. [1]

jitter, v.i., & n. (sl., orig. U.S.). 1. Be nervous, act nervously; ~bug n., person addicted to dancing to 'hot' music, nervous person. 2. n. pl. Extreme nervousness, 'nerves', (*have the ~s*, be in a blue funk). Hence ~y^a a. (sl.), nervy, jumpy. [1]

jiu-jitsu. See **JU-JITSU**.

jōb, n. Piece of work, esp. one done for hire or profit; (colloq.) employment, post; transaction in which duty is sacrificed to private advantage; anything one has to do (*on the ~*, sl., in action, alert); *do* person's ~, ruin him; *bad ~*, thing on which labour is wasted, failure; *good, bad, ~* (state of affairs); ~ lot, lot of goods bought as speculation; ~master, one who lets out horses & carriages by the ~; ~work, done & paid for by the ~. [1]

jōb, v.i. & t. (-bb-). Do jobs; ~ hire (horse, carriage) for definite time or job, let out on hire thus; buy & sell (stock, goods) as broker; deal in stocks; turn position of trust to private advantage; deal corruptly with (matter), whence ~b'art(4) n. Hence ~b'ar' n. [f. prec.]

jōb, v.t. & l. (-bb-), & n. 1. Prod, stab slightly; hurt (horse) with bit; (intr.) thrust at (thing). 2. n. Prod, thrust, jerk at bit. [prob. limit.]

Jōb⁴, n. Patriarch whose story forms *Book of Job* in O.T. (*would try the patience of ~, is vexatious*); ~'s *comforter*, one who under guise of comforter aggravates distress; ~'s *tears*, seeds of a grass used as beads.

Jōbā'tion, n. (colloq.). Reprimand, esp. lengthy one. [f. obs. *jobe* reprove f. prec. + -ATION]

Jōbb'ernowl (-ōl), n. (colloq.). Stupid head; stupid person. [prob. f. obs. (& F) *jobard* fool (*jobe* silly) + NOEL]

Jōck, n. (army sl.). Scottish esp. Highland soldier. [= Jack]

Jōck'ey¹, n. (pl. ~s). Professional rider in horse-races (also colloq. *jock*); *J~ Club*, club established at Newmarket, the body controlling horse-racing; [lad, understrapper. Hence ~DOM, ~SHIP(3), nn. [f. Sc. *Jock* Jack + Y¹]

Jōck'ey², v.t. & i. Outwit, cheat; get (person etc.) *away, out, in, etc.*, by trickery; cheat (person *into, out of, doing*); (intr.) cheat. [f. prec. in obs. sense 'cheat']

Jōck'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Chimpanzee. [F, made by Buffon f. Gaboon *engeco* (prop. *ncheko*)]

Jōcōse, a. Playful; wagging. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, Jōcōs'ITY, nn. [f. L *jocundus* (*jocus* jest, see -OSE¹)]

Jōc'ular, a. Mirthful; humorous. Hence or cogn. ~TRY (-ā'r-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *jocularis* (*joculus* dim. of *jocus* jest, -AR¹)]

Jōc'und, a. Merry, sprightly; pleasant. Hence or cogn. Jōcūn'dry n., ~LY² adv. [OF, f. LL *jocundus* f. L *jucundus* (*juvare* please), influenced by assoc. w. *jocus* jest]

Jōdhpur¹ (Jōdpoor), n. pl. Long breeches for riding etc., tight from knee to ankle. [*Jodhpur* in India]

Jōe, n. *Not for ~* (i.e. me)!, sl. refusal.

Jōe Mill'er, n. Stale joke, chestnut. [f. *Joseph Miller*, comedian, d. 1788]

Jō'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Young kangaroo; young animal. [f. native Austral. *joé*]

Jōg, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. 1. Shake with push or jerk; nudge (person), esp. to arouse attention; stimulate (person's, one's own, memory); move up & down with unsteady motion; proceed laboriously, trudge, (often *on, along*); go on one's way, depart, as *we must be ~ging*; proceed, get through the time, as *we must ~ on somehow, matters ~ along*; ~trot, slow regular trot, (fig.) monotonous progression (often attrib.). 2. n. Shake, push, nudge, slow walk or trot. [prob. imit.]

Jōg'gle¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Shake, move, (as) by repeated jerks. 2. n. Slight shake. [prob. f. prec. + -L(3)]

Jōg'gle², n., & v.t. 1. Joint of two pieces of stone or timber, contrived to prevent their sliding on one another; notch in one of two pieces, projection in the other, or small piece let in between both, for this purpose. 2. v.t. Join by means of a ~. [(vb f.n.) perh. cogn. w. JAG¹]

Jōhānn'ine, a. Of the apostle John. [f. L as JOHN, see -INE¹]

Jōhānn'isb'erg (-g-), n. Fine white wine from Johannisberg in the Rheingau. [G] John (Jōn), n. Masculine Christian name; ~ *BARLEYcorn*; ~ *Bull*, English nation, typical Englishman; ~ *Chinaman*, typical Chinese; ~ *COMPANY*; ~ *Doe*, fictitious character in law; ~ *DOBY*²; ~ *o'-Groat's* (-House), north of Scotland (from ~ *o'-Groat's to Land's End*, through Gt Britain). [-OF Jehan f. L f. Gk *Iōannēs* f. Heb. *Yohanan*]

John'ian (Jōn-), a. & n. (Member) of St John's College, Cambridge. [-IAN]

johnn'y (Jōn-), n. || Fellow, esp. fashionable idler; || *J~ Armstrong* (naut. sl.), hand-power; *J~ Raw*, novice; ~-cake, cake of (U.S.) maize-meal or (Austral.) wheat-meal. [f. JOHN, -Y¹]

Johnsōn'ian (Jōn-), a. Of, like, Samuel Johnson, man of letters & lexicographer (d. 1784), esp., abounding in Latin-derived polysyllables. So *Johnsonese* (Jōnsonéz') n. [-IAN]

joie de vivre (zhwah də vë'vr), n. Feeling of healthy enjoyment of life. [F, = joy of living]

join, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Put together, fasten, unite, (things, one to another); connect (two points) by straight line; unite (persons, one *with or to* another) in marriage, friendship, alliance, etc.; (intr.) come together, be united, (*with, to, or abs.*); take part with others (*in doing*); come into the company of (person); become member of (club etc.); take, resume, one's place in (regiment, ship, company, etc.); come into connexion with, as *the Chervell ~s the Thames below Oxford*; ~ *battle*, begin fighting; ~ *hands*, clasp one's hands together, clasp each other's hands, (fig.) combine in action or enterprise; ~ *ISSUE*²; ~ *up* (intr.), enlist in the army. 2. n. Point, line, of junction. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *joindre* (st. *joign-*) f. L *iungere* *junct-* join, cogn. w. Gk *zug-*, E *yoke*]

join'der, n. (rare exc. law). Joining, union. [f. F *joindre* JOIN taken as noun, cf. -ER¹]

join'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. one who makes furniture, house fittings, & other woodwork lighter than carpenter's, whence ~ERY(1, 2) n. [f. OF *joigneur* (*joigner* JOIN)]

joint¹, n. Place at which two things are joined together; structure in animal body by which two bones are fitted together; *out of ~*, (of bone) dislocated, (fig.) out of order; *put* (person's) *NOSE out of ~*; part of stem from which leaf or branch grows; point at which, contrivance by which, two parts of artificial structure are joined, rigidly or so as to allow of movement; (Geol.) fissure in mass of rock; one of the parts of which a body is made up; i one of the parts into which butcher

divides carcass, esp. as served at table; (sl., esp. U.S.) a place of meeting or resort; ~-stool (orig. *joined*), one made of parts fitted by a joiner. Hence ~-LESS a. [OF, p.p. as JOIN]

joint¹, a. Held or done by, belonging to, two or more persons etc. in conjunction, as ~ action, opinion, estate; (of persons) sharing (with others) in possession, action, state, etc.), as ~ owners; during their ~ lives, while they are all alive; ~ stock, capital divided into shares, common fund, (attrib.) holding, formed on basis of, a ~ stock, as ~-stock bank, company. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [F, as prec.]

joint², v.t. Connect by joints; fill up joints (of masonry etc.) with mortar etc., point; prepare (board etc.) for being joined to another by planing its edge; divide (body, member) at a joint or into joints. [f. JOINT¹]

join'ter, n. In vbl senses, esp.: plane for jointing; mason's tool for pointing; workman employed in jointing esp. electric wire. [-æ¹]

join'tress, n. Widow who holds a jointure. [f. obs. *jointer* joint possessor + -ess¹]

join'ture, n., & v.t. 1. Estate settled on a wife, to be enjoyed by her after her husband's death. 2. v.t. Provide (wife) with ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *functura* (as JOIN, see -URE)]

joist, n. One of parallel timbers stretched on edge from wall to wall for ceiling laths or floor boards to be nailed to. Hence jois'tred² a. [f. OF *giste* (*gesir* lie f. L *jacere*)]

joke¹, n. Thing said or done to excite laughter; witticism, jest; ridiculous circumstance; practical ~, trick played on person in order to have laugh at his expense; it is no ~ (a serious matter). Hence jok'ry² a. [f. 17th c., prob. f. L *focus* jest]

joke², v.i. & t. Make jokes; poke fun at, banter. Hence jok'ingly² adv. [f. prec. or f. L *jocari* as prec.]

jok'er, n. One who jokes; (sl.) fellow, chap; (Cards) odd (often blank) card in some games, counting as (highest) trump. [-æ¹]

jokul, jökull, (yö'kööl, yät-), n. Snow-mountain in Iceland. [Icel. (*jö-*), = icicle, glacier, dim. of *jakt* piece of ice]

joll'ity, v.i. & t. Make merry, esp. tipple; make jolly. Hence ~HOOD n. [-TY]

joll'ity, n. Merrymaking, festivity. [f. OF *jollete* (as JOLLY, see -TY)]

joll'y, a., adv., n., & v.t. 1. Joyful; slightly drunk; festive, jovial; the ~ god, Bacchus; (colloq., of person or thing) very pleasant, delightful, (often iron., as he must be a ~ fool to do so), whence joll'ly² adv. 2. adv. (colloq.). Very, as he will be ~ savage, you will ~ well have so. 3. n. (sl.). 1. Royal Marine. 4. v.t.

(colloq.). Flatter, cajole (usu. ~ along); chaff, banter. [ME & OF *joll(f)* gay, pretty, etym. dub.]

joll'y-boat, n. (Also *jolly*) clinker-built ship's boat, smaller than cutter. [f]

jolt, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Shake (person etc.) with jerk from seat etc., esp. in locomotion; (of vehicle) move along with jerks, as on rough road. 2. n. Such jerk. Hence jolt'ry² a. [f]

jolt'erhead (-häd), n. Clumsy head; stupid person. [extension of obs. *jolt-head*, etym. dub.]

Jön'ah (-a), n. Person who brings, or is sacrificed lest he bring, ill luck. [see *Jonah*, O.T. book]

Jön'athan, n. 1. (*Brother*) ~, personified people of, typical citizen of, United States. 2. Kind of dessert apple. [perh. f. ~ Trumbull, governor of Connecticut]

jongleur (see Ap.), n. (hist.). Itinerant minstrel. [F, var. of *jongleur* JUGLER]

jönq'uill (or jü-), n. Species of narcissus, rush-leaved daffodil; ~ colour, pale yellow. [ult. dim. of L *juncus* rush; F *jonquille* etc.]

Jörd'an, n. (not in polite use). Chamber-pot. [f]

Jörd'an alm'ond (ahm-), n. Fine almond esp. from Malaga. [prob. f. F *jardin* garden]

jör'um, n. Large drinking-bowl; its contents, esp. punch. [f]

jös'eph (-z-), n. (*J-*) chaste man; woman's long riding-cloak of 18th c. [see *Gen.* xxxix, xxxvii. 3]

***josh**, n., & v.t. & i. (sl.). 1. Good-natured joke, leg-pull. 2. vb. Hoax, banter; indulge in ridicule. Hence ~æ¹ n. [f]

jös'kin, n. (sl.). Country bumpkin, dolt. [cf. dial. *joes* bump, -xin]

jöss, n. Chinese idol; ~-house, Chinese temple; ~-stick (of fragrant tinder mixed with clay, as incense). [prob. f. Port. *deos* f. L *deus* god]

|| jöss'er, n. (sl.). Fool; fellow. [f]

jö'stle (-sl), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Knock, push, against; struggle with (person for thing); push against, elbow; push (person away, from, etc.). 2. n. Jostling, encounter. [f. n. f. vb) earlier *juttle*, f. *jost* JOST + -L(s)]

jöt¹, n. (Usu. w. negative expressed or implied) small amount, whit. [f. L f. Gk *iota* letter i]

jöt², v.t. (-tt-). Write (usu. down) briefly or hastily. [prob. f. prec.]

joule (jöö), n. (electr.). Unit of work or energy. [Dr. J. P. Joule, Eng. physicist (d. 1889)]

ounce, v.t. & i. Bump, bounce, jolt. [f]

journ'al (jät-), n. 1. (In bookkeeping by double entry) book in which each transaction is entered, with statement of accounts to which it is to be debited & credited. 2. Daily record of events; the *J-*s, record of daily proceed

(Naut.) log-book; daily newspaper, other periodical. 3. Part of shaft or axle that rests on bearings (hist. unexpl.); ~-box (enclosing ~ & bearings). [OF as *DIURNAL*]

journalist (jə-), n. One whose business it is to edit or write for a public journal. Hence or cogn. ~-ISM (-iz) n., style of language characteristic of (hasty or inferior) newspaper writing, ~ISM n., ~-is'TIC a. [-IST]

journalize (jə-), v.t. & i. (Bookk.) enter in journal; record in, keep, private journal. [-ISE]

journal/ey (jə-), n. (pl. ~s), & v.i. 1. Distance travelled in specified time, as a *day's*, & *days'*, ~; expedition to some distance, round of travel (usu. by land, cf. VOYAGE), as *take, undertake, perform*, a ~; ~-man, qualified mechanic or artisan who works for another, (fig.) mere hireling; (Astron.) ~-man (clock), secondary clock in observatory; ~-work, work of a ~-man (esp. fig.). 2. v.i. Make a ~. [(vb f. OF *journalier* f. OF *journee* day, day's work or journey, f. pop. L *diurnata* (diurnus *DIURNAL*, see -ADE)]

joust (jʊst), jʊst, v.i., & n. (Engage in) combat between two knights etc. on horseback with lances. [(n. f. OF *juste*) f. OF *juster* f. pop. L *jutare* approach (*justa* near)]

Jove, n. Jupiter, esp. || by ~ | [f. L *Jovem* (nom. *Jupiter*)]

Jōv'ial, a. Merry; convivial. Hence or cogn. ~-ITY (-al) n., ~-LY¹ adv. [f. f. L *jovialis* of Jupiter (*Jupiter Jovis*, see -AL)]

Jōv'ian, a. Of, like, Jove; of the planet Jupiter. [f. L as prec., see -AN]

jowl, n. Jawbone, jaw; cheek, esp. *cheek by ~*; external throat or neck when prominent, dewlap of cattle, crop of bird; head & shoulders of salmon & other fish. [(1) OE *ceast* jaw, cf. Du. *kevel* gum; (2) OE *ceolur* throat, cf. Du. *keel*, G *kehle*; the ME forms (1) *jowle* (2) *cholle*, both of unexplained development, were ult. confused]

joy¹, n. Vivid emotion of pleasure, gladness; thing that causes delight; ~-bells (rang on festive occasions); ~-ride (al., stolen or other pleasure-ride in motor etc.); ~-stick (al.), control lever of aeroplane. Hence or cogn. ~-FUL, ~-LESS, ~-OUS, aa., ~-fully¹, ~-lessly¹, ~-ously¹, adv., ~-fulness, ~-lessness, ~-ousness, nn., [f. OF *joie* f. pop. L *gaudia* fem. f. L *gaudium* pl. of *gaudium*]

joy², v.i. & t. (chiefly poet.). Rejoice; gladden. [f. OF *joir* rejoice ult. f. L *gaudere* rejoice]

jubilate (jʊb-), v.i. Exult, make demonstrations of joy. Hence or cogn. ~-ANCE, ~-ous, aa., ~-ant a., ~-antly¹ adv. [f. L *jubilate* (*jubillum* shout), see -ATE¹]

jubilate (jʊb-), or *yobilate*(?), n. Hymn, psalm as canticle in Anglican

service; outburst of triumph. [L, = shout ye (its first word)]

jubilee (jʊb-), n. 1. (Jewish Hist.) year of emancipation & restoration, kept every 50 years, acc. to *Lev. xxv*; (R.-C. Ch.) year of remission from penal consequences of sin, granted formerly at various intervals, now at any time. 2. Fiftieth anniversary; *silver ~*, twenty-fifth anniversary; *Diamond ~*, sixtieth year of reign of Queen Victoria. 3. Season of rejoicing; exultant joy. [f. F *jubilé* f. LL *jubilaris* (annus year) of jubilee f. Gk *iōbilaios* (iōbēlos f. Heb. *yobel* ram, ram's-horn trumpet, jubilee) by assoc. w. native L *jubulum* shout]

Juda'ic (jʊd-), a. Jewish. [f. L f. Gk *Ioudaïkos* (*Ioudaïos* JEW¹, see -IC)]

Jud'aize (jʊd-), v.i. & t. Follow Jewish customs or rites; make Jewish. So ~-ISM, ~-IST, nn. [f. LL *judaizare* f. Gk *ioudaizō* (as prec., see -IZE)]

jud'as (jʊd-), n. (J~) disciple who betrayed Christ, infamous traitor; peep-hole in door; (of beard etc.) *J~colour(ed)*, red; *J~kiss* (see *Matt. xxvi. 48*); *J~-tree* (with purple flowers appearing before the leaves).

Jud'enhetise (yʊdenhétze), n. Systematic persecution of Jews. [G]

judge¹, n. Public officer appointed to hear & try causes in court of justice; (of God) supreme arbiter; (Heb. Hist.) officer having temporary authority in Israel in period between Joshua & the kings; (pl., abbr. *Judge*.) book of O.T.; person appointed to decide dispute or contest; person who decides a question; person who is qualified to decide on merits of thing or question, as *am no ~ of that*, *good ~ of claret*; *J~ Advocate General*, civil officer in supreme control of courts martial; ~-made law, principles based on ~-s' decisions. Hence ~-SHIP (1, 2) n. [f. OF *juge* f. L *judicem* (nom. -dex) f. *ius* right + -dicus speaking]

judge², v.t. & i. Pronounce sentence on (person) in court of justice; try (cause); decide (question); decide, decree, (*that* etc.); form opinion about, estimate, (person etc. *by his deeds* etc.); criticize, censure; conclude, consider, suppose, (*thing to be, that, etc., from or by data*); act as judge; form a judgement (*of thing* etc.). [f. OF *jugier* f. L *judicare* (as prec.)]

judgemāt'ic(al) (-jɪm-), aa. (colloq.). Judicious, discerning. Hence ~-alex² adv. [f. JUDex, on *dogmatic* etc.]

judg'e'ment (-jɪm-), -gment, n. Sentence of court of justice; *the last ~* (by God at end of world); misfortune viewed as sign of divine displeasure, as *it is a ~ on you for getting up late*; criticism; opinion, estimate, as *in my ~*; critical faculty, discernment; good sense; ~-day (of God's final ~); ~-debt (for payment of which a ~ has been given); ~-creditor, debtor

(for, against, whom ~ has been given); || ~ *summons* (for failure to pay ~ debt); ~ *seat*, judge's seat, tribunal. [f. F *jugement* (as prec., see -MENT)]

jud'icature (joo-; also -kă-), n. Administration of justice; *Supreme Court of J* ~ in England (consisting of the Court of Appeal & the High Court of Justice; the latter is composed of the King's Bench, the Chancery, & the Probate, Divorce, & Admiralty divisions, & the Court of Criminal Appeal); judge's (term of) office; body of judges; court of justice. [f. med. L *judicatura* (as JUDGE, -URE)]

judicial (joo'dish'al), a. Of, done by, proper to, a court of law; ~ *murder*, legal but unjust death sentence; inflicted as a divine judgement (esp. ~ *blindness*, punitive infatuation); having the function of judgement, as a ~ *assembly*; of, proper to, a judge; expressing a judgement, critical; impartial. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *judicialis* (as foll., -AL)]

judiciary (joo'dish'ari), n. The judges of a State collectively. [f. L *judiciarius* (med. L -aria fem. as n.) of judgement (*judicium*, see foll.)]

judicious (joo'dish'us), a. Sensible, prudent; sound in discernment. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *judicieux* f. L *judicium* judgement (as JUDGE¹), see -OUS]

jüg¹, n. Deep vessel for holding liquids, with handle & often with spout, whence ~FUL(2) n.; (sl., also alone ~) prison. [?]

jüg², v.t. (-gg-). Stew, boil, (hare, rabbit) in jug or jar (usu. in p.p.); (sl.) imprison. [f. prec.]

jüg³, v.i. (-gg-). (Of nightingale or other bird) utter sound *jug*. So ~, ~~, nn. [imit.]

jug'ate (joo-), a. (bot.). Having leaflets in pairs. [f. L *jugare* join (*jugum* yoke), see -ATE²]

Jügg'ernaüt (-g-), n. (Hind. Myth.) Krishna, eighth avatar of Vishnu, his idol at Puri, annually dragged in procession on huge car, under wheels of which devotees are said to have formerly thrown themselves; (fig., also ~ *car*) institution, notion, to which persons blindly sacrifice themselves or others. [f. Hind. *Jagannath* f. Skr. *Jagannatha jagat world + natha lord*]

jügg'ins (-ginz), n. (sl.). Simpleton. [?]

jüg'gle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Play conjuring tricks; ~ *with*, deceive (person), misrepresent (facts); cheat (person etc. out of thing); bring, get, change, (*away, into*, etc.) by trickery. 2. n. Piece of juggling, fraud. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *jogler* f. LL *joculare* (L -ri) jest (*joculus* dim. of *jocus* jest)]

jügg'lier, n. Conjuror; trickster; impostor. So ~ERY(2, 4) n. [f. OF *jogleur, jougleur* (whence var. *JONGLEUR*), f. L *joculatorum* (as JUGGLE, see -ER²)]

Jugoslav (äg'oslahv), a. & n. (Inhabitant)

of the State, including Serbia, Montenegro, & parts of the former Austrian Empire, called *Jugoslavia*. [Serb., = south Slav]

jüg'ülar (or joo-), a. & n. 1. Of the neck or throat; ~ *veins*, great veins of neck, conveying blood (*external* ~) from superficial parts of head, (*internal* ~) from inside of skull; (of fish) having the ventral fins in front of the pectoral. 2. n. ~ *vein*. [f. L *jugulum* collar-bone, see -AR¹]

jüg'üläte (or joo-), v.t. Kill, esp. (fig.) arrest course of (disease etc.) by powerful remedy etc. [f. L *jugulare* (as prec.), see -ATE²]

juice (jous), n. Liquid part of vegetables or fruits; fluid part of animal body or substance, esp. *the* ~s, the bodily humours, *gastric* ~; (fig.) essence, spirit, of anything; (sl.) petrol or electricity used in engine etc. Hence ~LESS (-sl-) a. [f. F *jus* f. L *jus* broth, juice]

ju'i'cily (joo-), a. Full of juice, succulent; (of weather) wet; (colloq.) of rich intellectual quality, interesting; (Art sl.) of rich colouring suggestive of moisture. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

ju-ju (joo'joo), n. (W.-Afr.). Charm or fetish; ban effected by this. [perh. f. F *jou-jou toy*]

ju'jube (joo'jubb), n. Edible berry-like drupe of certain plants; lozenge of gelatin etc. flavoured with or imitating this. [F, f. med. L *jujuba* f. Gk *zizyphos*]

ju-jutsu, jiu-jitsu, (joojutsu), n. Japanese art of wrestling etc. [Jap. (*ju-*)]

jul'ep (joo-), n. Sweet drink, esp. as vehicle for medicine; medicated drink as stimulant etc.; *iced or spiced spirit & water, esp. *mint* ~. [F, f. Arab. *gulab* f. Pers. *gulab* (gul rose + ab water)]

Jul'ian (joo-), a. Of Julius Caesar; ~ *calendar* (introduced by him, cf. GREGORIAN). [f. L *Julianus* (*Julius*, see -AN)]

julienne (see Ap.), n. Soup of vegetables cooked in meat broth. [F]

July (joo-), n. Seventh month of year, called after Julius Caesar. [ME & OF *July* f. L *Julius*; 18th-c. pron. joo'li, mod. pron. irreg. & unexpl.]

jüm'bal, -ble¹, n. Kinds of crisp thin sweet cake. [?]

jüm'ble², v.i. & t. Move (t. & l.) about in disorder; mix *up*, confuse. [prob. imit.]

jüm'ble³, n. Confused assemblage; muddle; jolting; || ~ *sale* (of miscellaneous cheap articles at bazaar etc.); ~ *shop* (where miscellaneous goods are sold). Hence **jümb'lr²** a. [f. prec.]

jüm'bō, n. (pl. ~s). Big clumsy person, animal, or thing, esp. (J~) famous elephant in London Zool. Gardens; notably successful person. [?]

jümp¹, n. Leap, bound, spring from ground; *long, high*, ~, athletic competitions; start caused by shock or excitement, esp. (sl.) *the* ~s, delirious tremors;

abrupt rise in amount, price, value, etc.; sudden transition, gap in series, argument, etc. Hence *jūm'piness* n., *jūm'pr* a. [f. foll.]

jūmp¹, v.i. & t. 1. Spring from ground etc. by flexion & sudden muscular extension of legs or (of fish) tail; move suddenly with leap or bound (up from seat etc., out, etc.); ~ *in*, get quickly into carriage etc.; start with sudden jerk from excitement, shock, etc., esp. ~ *for joy*. 2. Rise suddenly in price etc. 3. Come to, arrive at, (conclusion) hastily. 4. ~ *at*, (fig.) accept (offer, bargain) eagerly; ~ (up)on, attack (offender etc.) crushingly with word or act. 5. Agree, coincide, (together, one with another). 6. Pass over (gate etc.) by leap; (of railway carriage) leave (line). 7. Help (child etc.) to ~ *down* etc.; cause (thing) to ~; startle (person, nerves). 8. Cook (potatoes etc.) in frying-pan, occasionally shaking them (usu. in p.p.). 9. Pounce upon (thing); steal a march upon; (Colon.) take summary possession of (claim abandoned or forfeited by former occupant). 10. Skip over (subject, part of book, etc.). 11. Drill (rock, hole in rock) with jumper. 12. ~ *down* person's throat, answer, interrupt, him violently; ~ *out* of one's skin, ~ with surprise; ~ *over the broomstick*. Hence ~ *ABLE* a. [f. 1500; prob. imit.]

jūm'per¹, n. In vbl senses, esp.: member of Welsh Methodist body (or later sects) who jump(ed) as part of worship; jumping insect, e.g. flea; rope made fast to keep yard, mast, etc., from jumping; heavy chisel-ended iron bar for drilling blasting-holes. [-ER¹]

jūm'per², n. Loose outer jacket of canvas etc. worn by sailors etc.; woman's loose outer garment of any material slipped on over head & reaching hips. [prob. f. obs. *jump* short coat perh. f. F *fuppe*]

jūm'ping, a. In vbl senses, esp. in names of ~ animals, as ~ *deer*, N.-Amer. black-tailed deer; ~ *bean*, seed of Mexican plant ~ owing to movements of enclosed larva; ~ *CAT*¹. [-ING¹]

jūn'ction, n. Joining; joint, meeting-place; station where railway lines meet & unite (often in proper names, as *Clapham J-*). [f. L *junctio* (as *JOIN*, see *JOIN*)]

jūn'cture, n. Joining; place where things join; concurrence of events, state of affairs, as *at this* ~. [f. L *junctura* (*JOIN*, -URE)]

June (jōn), n. Sixth month of year. (partly thr. F *juin*) f. L *Junius*

jungle (jūng'gl), n. Land overgrown with underwood or tangled vegetation, esp. in India (often attrib. of animals inhabiting ~, as ~ *bear*, ~ *cat*, ~ *fowl*); wild tangled mass; ~ *fever*, kind of severe malaria. Hence *jūng'lism*¹, *jūng'lx*¹, (-agg-), aa. f. Hind. *jungul* desert, forest.]

jūn'ier (jō-), a. & n. 1. The younger (esp.

of son having same name as father, as *John Smith* ~, or of younger of two boys of same surname in school; abbr. *jun.*, *jr*); of less standing, of lower position, as ~ *partner*. 2. n. ~ person, as *the* ~, *is my* ~. Cf. SENIOR. Hence ~ *ITY* (-ō'r-) n. [L, compar. of *juvenis* young]

jūn'iorate (jō-), n. (In Society of Jesus) two-years' course attended by junior members before entering priesthood. [-ATE¹]

jūn'iper (jō-), n. Genus of coniferous evergreen shrubs, esp. *common* ~, shrub with prickly leaves & dark berries yielding oil of ~ used in medicine & in making gin. [f. L *juniperus*]

jūnk¹, n., & v.t. Old cable cut up for oakum etc.; discarded material, rubbish; lump, chunk; (Naut.) salt meat; lump of tissue in sperm-whale, containing spermaceti; ~ *shop*, marine store; (v.t.) divide into ~s. [f.]

jūnk², n. Flat-bottomed sailing vessel used in Chinese seas. [prob. f. Javanees *djong*]

junker (yōng'ker), n. Young German noble; member of exclusive aristocratic party in Prussia. [G, earlier *junkher* (YOUNG, HERR)]

jūnk'et, n., & v.i. 1. Dish of sweetened curds & whey, usu. with scalded cream on top; feast. 2. v.i. Feast, picnic. Hence ~ *ING*¹ n. [(vbl f. n.) prob. f. ONF *jonquette* rush-basket (for making ~) f. *jonc* rush f. L *juncus*]

Jūn'ō (jō-), n. (pl. ~s). Wife of Jupiter; woman of stately beauty; third of the asteroids. [L]

jūn'ta, n. Deliberative or administrative council in Spain or Italy; = foll. [Sp., f. L *juncta*, fem. p.p. as *JOIN*]

jūn'tō, n. (pl. ~s). Clique, faction, political or other combination of persons. [erroneous f. prec.]

jūpe (jōp), n. Woman's skirt. [F]

Jū'piter (jō-), n. (Rom. Myth.) king of gods; ~ *Plu'thus* (plō-), god of rain; largest planet of solar system. [L]

jur'al (joor-), a. Of law, of (moral) rights & obligations. [f. L *jus juris* right + *AL*]

Jur'ass'ic (joor-), a. Of the Jura mountains between France & Switzerland; marked like these by prevalence of oolitic limestone. [f. F *jurassique* after *Hassic*, *trassic*]

jur'at (joor-), n. Municipal officer like alderman; life magistrate in Channel Is. [f. med. L *juratus* (*jurare* swear)]

jurid'ical (joor-), a. Of judicial proceedings; legal. [f. L *juridicus* (*jus juris* right + *dicus* f. *dicere* say) + *AL*]

jur'isconsult¹ (joor-), n. One learned in law, jurist. [f. L *jurisconsultus* (*jus juris* law + p.p. as *CONSULT*)]

jurisdic'tion (joor-), n. Administration of justice; legal or other authority; extent of this, territory it extends over,

~AL (joorisdik'-ahon-) a. [*f. L. jurisdictio* (as prec., see *DICTION*)]
jurispru'd'ence (joorispröb-), n. Science, philosophy, of human law, whence ~*ENTIAL* (joorispröb'dén'-shal) a.; skill in law, so ~*ENT* (joorispröb-) a. & n. [*f. L. jurisprudentia* (as prec., see *PRUDENCE*)]
jur'ist (joor-), n. One versed in law; legal writer; student of, graduate in, law. Hence *juris'tic*(AL) aa., *juris'tically*² adv., (joor-). [*f. F. juriste f. med. L. jurista (jus juris law, see -IST)*]
jur'or (joor-), n. Member of jury; one who takes an oath (cf. *NON-juror*). [*f. OF. jureor f. L. juratorem (jurare swear, see -OR)*]
jur'y (joor-), n. Body of persons sworn to render verdict on question submitted to them in court of justice; *grand* ~ (of from 12 to 23 persons appointed to inquire into indictments before they are submitted to trial ~); *trial, common, petty*, ~ (of 12 persons who try final issue of fact in civil or criminal cases & pronounce unanimous verdict); *special* ~ (of persons of certain station in society); *CORONER's* ~; ~ *of matrons* (in case where pregnancy is pleaded in stay of execution); body of persons selected to award prizes in competition; ~-*box*, enclosure for ~ in court; ~-*man*, ~-*woman*, member of ~. [*f. OF. jurée oath, inquiry, f. med. L. jurata (jurare swear, cf. -RY)*]
jur'y-mast (joor'imahst), n. Temporary mast in place of broken or lost one. [*f.*]
juss'ive, a. (gram.). Expressing a command. [*f. L. jussere juss- command*]
jüst¹, a. (Of person or conduct) equitable, fair, (to person etc.); (of treatment etc.) deserved, as a ~ *reward*; (of feelings, opinions, etc.) well-grounded, as ~ *resentment, fear*; right in amount etc., proper. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS* n. [*f. L. justus (jus right)*]
jüst², adv. Exactly, as ~ *at that spot*, ~ *there*, ~ *then*, ~ *three o'clock*, ~ *as you say*, ~ *so*, *that is* ~ (i) (precisely the point in question), ~ *how many there are remains to be seen*; barely, as *I* ~ *managed it*; exactly at that moment, (loosely) not long before, as *I have* ~ (a moment, or not long ago) *seen him pass*; ~ *now*, at this moment, (also) a little time ago; (colloq.) positively, quite, as *it is* ~ *splendid*, *not* ~ *yet*; (as sl. emphatizer) *Won't I* ~ *give it him!*, *'Did he swear? Didn't he*, ~ *!*' [*f. prec.*]
just¹. See *JUST*.
jüs'tice, n. Just conduct; fairness; exercise of authority in maintenance of right; *poetical* ~ (ideal, as shown in poem etc.); judicial proceedings, as *Court of J* ~; magistrate; judge, esp. (in England) of Supreme Court of Judicature, whence ~*MAN* n.; *J* ~ *of the Peace*, lay magistrate appointed to preserve peace in country, town, etc.; *do* ~ *to*, treat fairly, show due

appreciation of; *do oneself* ~, perform worthy of one's abilities. [*OF (-ice, -ies, f. L. justitia (as JUST¹, see -ICE)*]
jüsti'ciable (-shya-), a. Subject to jurisdiction; (n.) person subject to jurisdiction (of another). [*OF, f. justicier bring to trial f. med. L. justitiare (as prec.), see -ABLE*]
jüsti'ciar (-shyar), n. Chief political & judicial officer under Norman & early Plantagenet kings. (as foll., see ~*AL*²)
jüsti'ciary (-shya-), n. & a. 1. Administrator of justice; =prec. 2. Adj. Of the administration of justice. [*f. med. L. justitiarius (JUSTICE, -ARY)*]
jüs'tify, v.t. Show the justice or rightness of (person, act, etc.); vindicate, (of circumstances) be such as to ~ *fy*; (Theol.) declare (person) free from penalty of sin on ground of Christ's righteousness or (Rom. Cath.) of the infusion of grace; (Printing) adjust (line of type) to fill a space neatly; make good (statement etc.); adduce adequate grounds for (conduct, claim, etc.); ~ *fy bail*, show by oath of person furnishing bail that he is peculiarly qualified. Hence or cogn. ~*FIANCE*² *ITY*, ~*FICATION*, nn., ~*FIABLE*, ~*FICATIVE*, ~*FICATORY*, aa., ~*FIABLY*² adv. [*f. F. justifier f. LL. justificare (as JUST¹, see -FY)*]
jüt, n., & v.i. (-t-). 1. Projection; protruding point. 2. v.i. Project (often out, forth). [*var. of JET¹*]
jute¹ (jööb), n. Fibre from certain plants, chiefly imported from Bengal, used for sacking, mats, etc. [*f. Bengali jhoto f. Skr. jufa = jafa braid of hair*]
Jute² (jööb), n. One of Low German tribe invading Britain in 5th & 6th cc. (Baeda has *Jutae* pl., OE *Eotas* = Icel. *Jotar* people of Jutland)
juvenés'cence (jöö-), n. (Transition from infancy to) youth. So ~*ENT* a. [*f. L. juvenescere reach age of youth (juvenis young, see -ENCE)*]
juv'énile (jöö-), a. & n. 1. Young, youthful; suited to, characteristic of, youth. 2. n. Young person; (pl., trade sl.) books meant for children. Hence or cogn. ~*LY*² (-l-ly) adv., *juvenil'ITY* (jöö-) n. [*f. L. juvenilis (as prec., -ILY)*]
juvenil'ia (jöö-), n. pl. Works produced in author's youth (often as title of collection of such writings). [*L. neut. pl. of juvenilis JUVENILE*]
jüxtapöse' (-z), v.t. Place (things) side by side. [*f. F. juxtaposer (L. juxta next + poser, see COMPOSE)*]
jüxtapö'sion (-zi-), n. Placing, being placed, side by side. [*F (L. juxta next, ROMAN)*]

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K, k, (k), letter (pl. *Ks, K's*).
kak'mal, n. Harstebeest. [*S. Afr.*]

Kahyle', *n.* A Berber of Algeria or Tunis; Berber dialect spoken by the ~s. [f. Arab. *qabāl* tribes]

kadd'ish, *n.* Jewish mourner's prayer; the *Magnificat* in the synagogue service. [f. Aram. *qaddish* holy]

kadi. See **CADI**.

Kāf(f)'ir, **Cāf'f're**, (-fer), *n.* Member of a S.-Afr. race of Bantu family; native of Kafiristan in Asia; (pl.) S.-Afr. mine shares. [Arab. *kāfir* infidel]

ka'gō (kah-), *n.* Japanese basket-work palanquin slung on pole. [f. Jap. *kango* of Chin. orig.]

kail(yard). See **KALM**.

kain'it(e) (kin-), *n.* Hydrous chlorosulphate of magnesium & potassium, used as fertilizer. [G (-id), f. Gk *kainos* new, see -ITE¹]

kai'ser (kiz-), *n.* (hist.). Emperor; German Emperor; Emperor of Austria; head of Holy Roman Empire. Hence ~SHIP *n.* [ult. f. L *Caesar*]

kaja'wah (-jahwa), *n.* Camel-litter for women. [Hind. & Pers.]

ka'ka (kah-), *n.* New Zealand parrot. So ~pō *n.*, New Zealand owl-like nocturnal parrot. [Maori (*po* = night)]

kākemōn'ō, *n.* Japanese wall-picture (usu. painted on silk & mounted on rollers). [f. Jap. *kake* = hang + *mono* thing]

kala-azar (kahlah-ahzār'), *n.* Virulent infectious malarial disease of oriental tropics. [Assamese, = black disease]

kāle, **kail**, *n.* Kinds of cole or cabbage, esp. borecole, kind with wrinkled leaves; *Scotch* ~, kind with purplish leaves; broth made of this or other vegetables; ~yard, kitchen-garden; ~yard school, writers of fiction describing, with unsparing use of the vernacular, common life in Scotland. [northern form of **COLE**]

kaleid'oiscopes (-lid-), *n.* Tube through which are seen symmetrical figures, produced by reflections of pieces of coloured glass, & varied by rotation of the tube; (fig.) constantly changing group of bright objects. Hence ~scōp'ic(AL) *aa.*, ~scōp'ically¹ *adv.* [f. Gk *kalos* beautiful + *eidos* form + -SCOPE]

kaleids. See **CALEIDS**.

kāl'i, *n.* Prickly saltwort, from which soda-ash was obtained. [f. Arab. *qālī* ALKALI]

kalian, -Houn, (kahlyahn', -yōn), *n.* Persian form of hookah. [Pers. (-an), f. Arab. *qalyan*, -un]

Kāl'mück, -mýk, *a. & n.* (Member, language) of a Mongolian race living on the Caspian.

ka'lōng (kah-), *n.* Malay frugivorous fox-bat, largest known bat. [Malay]

kāl'pa, *n.* Great age of the world, day of Brahma, (4,320,000,000 years). [Skr.]

kāmerad (-ahd), *int.* of German soldier offering to surrender. [G, f. F as COMRADE]

ka'mei (kah-mei), *n.* Japanese title of gover-

ness etc.; divinity, god, in Japanese native religion.

kāmp'tūl'icōn, *n.* Floor-cloth of mixed rubber, gutta-percha, & cork, mounted on canvas. [f. Gk *kampios* flexible + *oulos* thick + -ikon -ic]

kān'aka, *n.* South Sea Islander, esp. one formerly employed in Queensland on sugar plantations. [Hawaiian, = man]

Kānarēse' (-z), *n.* (Member of) Dravidian race living in western India; language of the ~. [f. N. & S. *Kanara* in India]

kāngarōō' (-ngg-), *n.* Marsupial mammal with strongly developed hindquarters & great leaping-power, native of Australia, Tasmania, etc.; ~rat, small Australian marsupial; (sl., pl.) W.-Australian mining shares, dealers in these; ~bicycle, one with sloping back, early form of safety; || ~closure (when chairman in committee selects some amendments for discussion and excludes others). [perh. native Austral.]

kanōōn', *n.* Kind of harp with fifty to sixty strings. [f. Pers. or Arab. *qanun*]

Kān't'ian, *a.* Of Immanuel Kant, German philosopher, d. 1804. So ~ISM *n.* [-IAN]

ka'olin (kah-, ká-), *n.* Fine white clay produced by decomposition of feldspar, used in making porcelain. Hence ~IZE(3) *v.t.* [F, f. Chin. *kao-ling*, name of mountain (kao high + ling hill)]

kāpēll'meister (-mī-), *n.* Conductor of orchestra, opera, choir, etc.; ~music, uninspired music in routine style. [G]

ka'pōk (kah-), *n.* Fine cotton wool surrounding seeds of certain tree, used for stuffing cushions etc. [f. Malay *kapog*]

kāpp'a, *n.* Greek letter κ (K, κ).

kāput' (-ōbt), *a. (sl.)*. Done for, smashed (in pred. use only). [G]

Kār'aite, *n.* Member of Jewish sect that rejects Rabbinical tradition & interprets scriptures literally, found chiefly in Crimea. [f. Heb. *q'raim* (qara read) + -ITE¹]

kārm'a, *n.* (Buddh.). Sum of person's actions in one of his successive states of existence, viewed as deciding his fate in the next; destiny. [Skr., = action, fate]

kar(r)ōō', *n.* Elevated plateau of clayey soil in S. Africa, waterless in dry season; the Great K~ (in Cape Colony). [of Hottentot orig.]

karōōs', *n.* Mantle of animals' skins with the hair on, used by S.-African natives. [f. S.-Afr. *karos*, perh. of Du. orig.]

kārt'el, *n.* Wooden bed in S.-African ox-wagon. [S.-Afr. Du., prob. f. Port. *cade* f. Tamil *kāṭṭil* bedstead]

kartēil'. See **CARTIL**.

kātabāt'ic, *a. (meteorol.)*. (Of winds) caused by air flowing downward (cf. ANABATIC). [f. Gk *katabatikos* f. *katabainō* go down]

kātāb'olism, *cata-*, *n.* (biol.). Destructive METABOLISM. [f. Gk *kataballō* throwing down (*kataballō* throw down) + -ISM]

kathode. Var. of CATHODE.

kation. Var. of CATION.

kāt'ydīd, n. Large green orthopterous insect abounding in America. [limit. of the sound the insect produces]

kauri (kow'ī), n. Coniferous tree of New Zealand, furnishing valuable timber & a resin, ~ *gum*. [Maori]

ka'va (kah-), n. (Diuretic beverage from roots of) a Polynesian shrub. [native]

kavāss', n. Armed constable, servant, or courier, in Turkey. [f. Turk. *qawwas* bow-maker (*qaws* bow)]

kay'ak (ki-), n. Eskimo canoe of light wooden framework covered with seal-skins. [Eskimo]

kea (kā'a), n. Green Alpine parrot of New Zealand which destroys sheep for their kidney-fat. [Maori, imit.]

kēck, v.i. Make sound as if about to vomit; ~ *at*, reject (food etc.) with loathing. [imit.]

kēdge, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Change position of ship by winding in bawser attached to small anchor at some distance; (of ship) move thus; move (ship) thus. 2. n. (Also ~ *anchor*) small anchor for this purpose. [perh. var. of CADGE]

kēdg'eree, n. Indian dish of rice, split pulse, onions, eggs, etc.; European dish of fish, rice, eggs, etc. [f. Hind. *khichri*, Skr. *k'rsara*]

|| **keek**, v.i., & n. (Sc.). Peep. [ME *kike*]

keel', n., & v.t. 1. Lowest longitudinal timber of vessel, on which framework of the whole is built up; combination of iron plates serving same purpose in iron vessel; (poet.) ship; *false* ~ (attached to bottom of true ~ to protect it); ~ *blocks* (on which ~ rests in building etc.); ~ *haul*, haul (person) under ~ as punishment. 2. v.t. Turn (ship) ~ upwards; ~ *over*, upset, capsize, (person etc.). Hence ~ *LESS* (-l-l-) a. [(vb f. n.) prob. f. ON *kefir*, cf. Sw. *köl*]

keel', n. Flat-bottomed vessel, esp. of kind used on Tyne etc. for loading colliers; amount carried by this. [prob. f. MDu. *keel*, cogn. w. OE *cēol*]

keelson. See KILSON.

keen', n. Irish funeral song accompanied with wailing. [f. Ir. *caoine*, as foll.]

keen', v.i. & t. Utter the keen; bewail (person) thus; utter in wailing tone. [f. Ir. *caoinim* wall]

keen', a. Having sharp edge or point; (of edge etc.) sharp; (of sound, light, etc.) penetrating, vivid, strong; (of cold) intense; (of pain etc.) acute, bitter; (of person, desire, interest) eager, ardent, (colloq. on thing, on doing; ~ *as mustard*, enthusiastic, w. pun on *Keene's mustard*); (of eyes, sight, smell) sharp, highly sensitive; intellectually acute; ~ *set*, hungry, eager, (for). Hence ~ *LY'* adv., ~ *NESS* n. [com.-Teut.: OE *cēne*, Du. *koen*, G *kühn*, bold]

keep', v.t. & i. (*kēpf*). 1. Pay due regard to, observe, stand by, (law, promise, faith, treaty, appointment; ~ *the peace*). 2. Celebrate (feast, ceremony, etc.). 3. Guard, protect, (person, as *God ~ you*), fortress, town, etc.; goal at football etc.). 4. Have charge of; retain possession of, not lose. 5. Maintain (house etc.) in proper order (~ *open house*, entertain all comers), carry on (shop etc.); maintain (diary, accounts, books) by making requisite entries. 6. Provide for sustenance of (family, oneself, etc.); own & manage (cows, bees, etc.); maintain (woman) as mistress. 7. Have (commodity) habitually on sale. 8. ~ *COMPANY*, PACE, STEP, LOOK ~ *out*, TIME, WATCH ~, WICKET (also abs., act as wicket-keeper). 9. Maintain in proper or specified condition (often in spec. senses, as ~ *the ball*, ~ *rolling*, POT *boiling*, one's HAIR *on*, one's HEAD ~; ~ one's balance, not lose it, lit. & fig.). 10. Detain (person in prison, in custody, etc.); restrain (person, thing, oneself, from doing, from thing); refrain from. 11. Reserve (thing for future time etc.). 12. Conceal, as ~ one's COUNSEL ~, a secret. 13. Continue to follow (way, course; ~ *track* of, follow the course or development of). 14. Remain in (one's bed, room, house); retain one's place in (the saddle, the field, the stage, one's ground, etc.) against opposition; ~ one's feet, not fall; ~ *HOUSE*; remain (indoors etc.); || (colloq., esp. Camb. Univ.) reside, as *where do you ~?* 15. Remain in specified condition, as ~ *in good health*, ~ *in touch with*, ~ *cool*, ~ *friends*. 16. Continue in specified direction, course, or action, as ~ *straight on for two miles*, he ~ *s giggling*. 17. (Of food etc.) remain in good condition; (fig., of news etc.) admit of being reserved for later occasion. 18. ~ (work, cause to work, persistently) *at*; ~ (abstain) *from*; ~ *to*, adhere to (course, promise), confine oneself to; ~ (thing etc.) to oneself, refuse to share it with others; ~ *oneself* to oneself, avoid society. 19. ~ *away*, avoid coming, prevent from coming; ~ *back*, hold back, retard progress of, conceal; ~ *down*, hold in subjection, ~ *low* in amount, (Mil.) lie low in skirmishing; ~ *in*, confine, restrain, (feelings etc.), confine (school-boy) after hours, ~ (fire) burning, (intr.) remain indoors, remain on good terms with; ~ one's HAND *in*; ~ *off*, ward off, avert, (intr.) stay at a distance; ~ *on*, continue to hold, use, show, etc., (intr.) continue (doing); ~ *out*, not let enter; ~ *together*, remain, cause to remain, together; ~ *under*, hold in subjection; ~ *up*, prevent (one's spirits, prices, etc.) from sinking, maintain (~ one's SPIRIT ~ *up*; ~ *it up*, not slacken), ~ *in repair*, in efficient or proper state, etc., (~ *my appearances*; ~ *up your Greek*), carry on

(correspondence etc.), cause (person) to sit up at night, (intr.) bear up, not break down, proceed at equal pace *with*. [late OE *cépan*, etym. dub.]

keep¹, n. (Hist.) tower, stronghold; maintenance, food required for this, as *you don't earn your ~*; **for ~s* (sl.), in permanence. [f. prec.]

keep'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: ||-**GANN**¹. ~; lunatic's attendant; ring that keeps another, esp. wedding-ring, on the finger. [-**na**¹]

keep'ing, n. In vbl senses, also or esp.: custody, charge, as *in safe ~*, *in his ~*; agreement, harmony, (orig. esp. of painting) as *in*, *out of*, ~ (*with*); (attrib., or intr. part.) fit for ~, as ~ *apples*; *~*room*, sitting-room usually occupied. [-**ing**¹]

keep'sake, n. Thing kept for sake, or in remembrance, of giver; (attrib.) namby-pamby, like certain literary annuals of 19th c. called ~s. [KEEP¹ + **SAKE**]

keeshond (kās'hōnd), n. Breed of Dutch dogs resembling the chow. [Du.]

kef, **keif** (kif), **kief**, n. Drowsy state produced by bang etc.; enjoyment of idleness; Indian hemp etc. smoked to produce ~. [f. Arab. *kaif*, colloq. *kef*, well-being]

keff'iyeh (-féya), n. Bedouin Arab's kerchief worn as head-dress. [f. Arab. *kaffiyah*, *kuffiyeh*, perh. f. LL *cofea* COIF]

kef'er (-er), n. Effervescent liquor like koumiss, used for invalids. [Caucas.]

kég, n. Small barrel, usu. of less than 10 gals. [earlier *cap*, cf. Iscl. *kaggt*, Sw. *kagge*]

kéip, n. Large kinds of seaweed; calcined ashes of seaweed used for the sake of carbonate of soda, iodine, etc. contained, formerly used in making soap & glass. [ME *culp*, etym. dub.]

kéi'pie, -py, n. (So.). Water-spirit, usu. in form of horse, reputed to delight in the drowning of travellers etc. [?]

kéi'son, **keel'son**, n. Line of timber fastening ship's floor-timbers to keel. [f. **KREE**; -*son* unexpl., cf. Du. *kolenvijn*, G *kieschwein*]

Kelt etc. See **CELT** etc.

kélt¹, n. Salmon or sea trout after spawning. [?]

kémp, n. Coarse hair in wool. Hence **kém'pr**¹ a. [prob. f. ON *kampr* beard, whisker, etc.]

kén¹, n. Range of sight or knowledge, esp. *in*, *out of*, *beyond*, one's ~. [f. foll.]

|| **kén**², v.t. (now Sc. or north.; *kén*). Recognize at sight; know (person, thing, fact, *that* etc.). [com.-Teut.: OE *cennan*, Du. & G *kennen*]

kénn'el¹, n., & v.i. & t. (-ll-). 1. House for shelter of house-dog or hounds; mean dwelling. 2. v.i. Live in, go to, ~; (v.t.) put into, keep in, ~. ((v.b. f. n.) prob. f. ONF *thund* (F *chond*) f. pop. E. *canals* (some *cap*)

kénn'el¹, n. Gutter. [earlier *canal* f. OF *canel* CHANNEl]

kénós'is, n. (theol.). Renunciation of divine nature, at least in part, by Christ in the incarnation. So *kénót'io* (-ót-) a., *kénót'icism*(s) n. [Gk *kenósis* (*kenōō* vb empty f. *kenos*, see -**OSIS**)]

kén'tish, a. Of Kent; || ~ *fire*, prolonged volley of applause or demonstration of dissent; ~ *man* (born W. of Medway; opp. *man of Kent* born E.); ~ *rag*, hard limestone found in Kent. [OE *Cenitas* (Cent f. L *Cantium*, see -**ISH**¹)]

ként'ledge, n. (naut.). Pig-iron used as permanent ballast. [?]

kép'i, n. French military cap with horizontal peak. [f. F *képi* f. G-Swiss *käppi* dim. of *kappe* cap]

kept. See **KEEP**¹.

ké'ratin, n. Nitrogenous substance forming the basis of horns, claws, nails, etc. [as foll. + **-IN**]

ké'ratöse, a. & n. 1. Of horny substance. 2. n. Horn-like substance forming part of some sponges. [f. Gk *keras* -*atos* horn + -**OS**¹]

|| **kérb**, ***cúrb**, n. 1. Stone edging to pavement or raised path; ~-*stone*, one of stones forming this. 2. (St. Exch. sl.). The **STREET**; ~-*stone broker* (not a member of the Stock Exchange); ~ *market*, (place for) sale of securities after hours or of shares not dealt with on the Stock Exchange. [var. of **CURB** n.]

kérch'iel (-if), n. Cloth used to cover head; (poet.) handkerchief. Hence ~**ED**¹ (-ift) a. [ME *curches*, *ker*, f. OF *couvre-chief*, *cuvre*, (coverir **COVER** + *chief* head f. L *caput*)]

kérf, n. Slit made by cutting, esp. with saw; cut end of felled tree. [OE *cyrf*, f. st. of **CARVE**]

kérm'es (-iz), n. Pregnant female of an insect, formerly taken for a berry, feeding on ~ *oak*, an evergreen oak of S. Europe & N. Africa; red dye-stuff consisting of dried bodies of these; amorphous trisulphide of antimony, of brilliant red. [f. Arab. & Pers. *qirmis*]

kérm'is, n. Periodical fair in Holland etc., with much noisy merry-making. [Du., orig. = mass on anniversary of dedication of church, when yearly fair was held (**KIRK** + *mis* **MASS**¹)]

kérn(e), n. (hist.). Light-armed Irish foot-soldier; peasant, boor. [f. Ir. *ceithern*]

kérn'el, n. Softer (usu. edible) part within hard shell of nut or stone fruit; body of seed within husk etc., e.g. grain of wheat; nucleus, centre of formation (often fig.). [OE *cyrnel*, dim. of **COEN**]

ké'rosène, n. Lamp-oil obtained by distillation of petroleum & from coal & bituminous shale, paraffin. [Irreg. f. Gk *kéros* wax + -**ENE**]

ké'rry, n. attrib. ~ *blue*, a breed of terrier. [place]

kérs'ey (-al), *n.* Kind of coarse narrow cloth woven from long wool, usu. ribbed. [perh. *f. K* ~ in Suffolk]

kérs'eymère (-zi-), *n.* Twilled fine woollen cloth; (pl.) trousers of this. [corrupt. of *cassimère*, var. of CASHMERE, assim. to prec.]

kés'trel, *n.* Species of small hawk. [ME *castrel*, prob. = OF *crasserelle*, etym. dub.]

kétch, *n.* Two-masted vessel with mizzenmast stepped forward of rudder. [earlier *cache*, *catch*, *f. CATCH* v.]

kétch'up, *n.* Sauce made from juice of mushrooms, tomatoes, etc. [prob. *f. Chin. kôe-chiap* brine of pickled fish]

két'ône, *n.* One of a class of organic compounds allied to the aldehydes of which acetone is the simplest. [*f. G keton* var. of *acetone*]

két'tle, *n.* Vessel, usu. of metal with spout & handle, for boiling water; *FISH* ~; a pretty ~ of fish, awkward state of affairs; ~-*drum*(mer), (player of) hollow brass or copper hemisphere, over edge of which parchment is stretched & tuned to definite note; ~-*drum*, (also) large afternoon tea-party; ~-*holder*, piece of cloth etc. to protect hand from heat of ~ handle. Hence ~-*FUL*(2) *n.* [com.-Tent.: OE *celtel*, Du. *ketel*, G *kessel*]

kév'el, *n.* (naut.). Peg, cleat, usu. fixed in pairs, to which certain ropes are belayed. [*f. ONF keville* (*F cheville*) *f. L clavícula* dim. of *clavis* key]

Kew Gard'ens, *n. pl.* National botanical gardens at Kew, London.

key¹ (kè), *n.* 1. Instrument, usu. of iron, for moving bolt of lock forwards or backwards; *get, have, the ~ of the street*, be shut out for the night, homeless; *MASTER* ~. 2. *House of Keys*, elective branch of legislature of I. of Man; *St Peter's ~s*, cross ~s borne in Papal arms. 3. What gives or precludes opportunity for or access to something; *golden, silver, ~*, money used as bribe. 4. (pl.). Ecclesiastical authority as transmitted to the Pope, esp. *power of the ~s*. 5. Place that from its position gives control of sea, territory, etc. 6. Solution, explanation, translation of foreign book; book of solutions of mathematical problems etc. 7. (Mus.) system of notes definitely related to each other & based on particular note; (fig.) tone, style, of thought or expression; ~-*note*, note on which a ~ is based, (fig.) prevailing tone or idea. 8. Piece of wood or metal inserted between others to secure them. 9. Part of first coat of wall plaster passing between laths & so securing the rest. 10. Lever pressed by finger in playing organ, piano, flute, concertina, etc.; similar lever in typewriter etc. 11. Instrument for grasping screws, pegs, nuts, etc., esp. one for winding clock or watch. 12. ~-*board*, set of ~s on piano etc.; ~-*bugle* (fitted with ~s to increase number of sounds); ~-*hole* (by which ~ is

put into lock); ~ *industry*, one essential to the carrying on of others, e.g. coal-mining, dyeing; ~ *map* (in bare outline, to simplify use of full map); ~ (*move*), (*Chess*) first move in solution of a problem; ~-*ring* (for keeping ~s on); ~-*stone*, stone at summit of arch looking the whole together, (fig.) central principle etc. on which all depends. Hence ~-*LESS* (kè-) *a.* [OE *cæg*, etym. dub.]

key² (kè), *v.t.* Fasten (often *in, on, etc.*) with pin, wedge, bolt, etc.; regulate pitch of strings of (piano etc.); word (an advertisement in a particular periodical) so that answers to it can be identified (usu. by varying the form of address given); (fig.) ~ *up*, stimulate (person to do, to condition etc.), raise the tone or standard of, brace up, raise (offer, demand, endeavour). [*f. prec.*]

key³ (kè), *n.* Low island or reef. [*f. Sp. cayo*, see QUAY]

khadd'ar (kâ-), *n.* Indian homespun cloth. [Hindi]

khakan (kakhahn'), *n.* = *KHAN*¹. [*f. Turk. khagan* king, emperor]

kha'ki (kah-), *a. & n.* 1. Dust-coloured, dull-yellow. 2. *n.* ~ fabric of twilled cotton or wool, used in Brit. army; || ~ *election* (so timed as to exploit war-enthusiasm & secure majority for general purposes). [Hind., = dusty (*khak* dust)]

khal'ifa, khal'ifât (kâ-), *nn.* = *CALIPH* (-ATE).

kham'sin (kâ-), *n.* Hot S. or S.E. wind in Egypt for about 50 days in March, April, & May. [Arab. (*khamsum* fifty)]

khan¹ (kân, kahn), *n.* Title of rulers & officials in Central Asia, Afghanistan, etc.; (Hist.) supreme ruler of Turkish, Tartar, & Mongol tribes, & emperor of China, in middle ages. Hence ~-*ATE* (1) *n.* [Turk., perh. as *KHAKAN*]

khan² (kân, kahn), *n.* Caravanseral. [Arab., = inn]

khe'da (kâ-), *kêdd'ah*, *n.* Enclosure used in Bengal etc. to catch elephants. [Hind. (-da)]

Khedive¹ (kêdv'), *n.* Title of viceroy of Egypt, accorded to Ismail Pasha by Turkish Government in 1867; abolished in 1914. Hence *Khediv*¹ (1) *AL* (kêdv-) *aa.* [*f. F khédive* *f. Turk.*]

khi (ki), *n.* Greek letter (X, x) = *ch*. [Gk.]

khi'd'mutgar (ki-), *n.* Male servant who waits at table (in India). [*f. Hind. khid-*

khi'l'afât, *n.* = *KHALIFAT*; ~ *agitation*, anti-British movement in India based on Moslem resentment of the loss of power by Islam in & after the 1914-18 war, & contemporary Hindu discontents.

|| **kib'ble**¹, *n.* Iron hoisting-bucket used in mines. [prob. *f. G kübel*]

|| **kib'ble**², *v.t.* Grind coarsely. [†]

kibe, *n.* Ulcerated chilblain, esp. on heel; *tread on one's ~s*, hurt his feelings. [†]

kibb'ah, n. Tartar's circular tent covered with felt; Tartar household; Russian hooded sledge. [Russ.]

kib'lah, n. Point to which Mohammedans turn at prayer, i.e. temple at Mecca. [f. Arab. *qiblah* (*qabala* be opposite)]

kib'osh (or *kibosh'*), n. (sl.). Nonsense, humbug; *put the ~ on*, do for, knock on the head. [f.]

kick¹, n. Act of kicking; (colloq.) reacting-power, resilience, (*has no ~ left*); (colloq.) sharp stimulant effect, pleasurable thrill; **DROP¹**, **PLACE**-, ~; *more ~s* (harshness) *than halfpence* (kindness); recoil of gun when discharged; (Footb.) *good, bad*, etc., ~ (kicker), ~*off*, ~ with which game is started; ~*starter*, lever on motor-cycle by kicking which it can be started. [f. foll.]

kick², v.i. & t. 1. Strike out with the foot; ~ *against the pricks*, resist to one's own hurt. 2. Show annoyance, dislike, etc. (*against*, *at*, proposal, treatment). 3. Strike with foot; (sl.) ~ *the bucket*, die; ~ *one's heels*. 4. Drive, move, (thing) by ~ing. 5. (Footb.) score (goal) by a kick. 6. Drive forcibly & contemptuously (*out*, *downtairs*, etc.; ~ *one upstairs*, fig., shelve him by giving him peerage or titular promotion). 7. ~ *off*, throw off (shoes) by ~ing, (Footb.) give first kick; ~ *up*, raise (dust), create (fuss, noise), ~ *up its heels* (of horse in play); ~ing-*strap* (arranged to prevent carriage-horse from ~ing). [ME *kike*, etym. dub.]

kick³, n. Indentation in bottom of glass bottle. [f.]

kick'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. horse given to kicking. [-ER¹]

kick'shaw, n. Fancy dish in cookery (usu. derog.); toy, trifle. [f. F *quelque chose* something]

kid¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-dd-). 1. Young of goat; leather from skin of this, used for gloves & boots; *the Kids* or *Kid*, three small stars in Auriga; (sl.) child, whence ~d'y² n.; ~*glove* (adj.), over-dainty, avoiding everyday work etc. 2. v.t. Give birth to (~); (v.i.) give birth to ~. [(vb f. n.) ME *kide*, cf. ON *kidd*, G *kitt*]

kid², v.t. (-dd-), & n. (sl.). Hoax, humbug, (vb often abs.). [perh. f. prec.]

kid³, n. Small wooden tub, esp. sailor's mess-tub. [perh. var. of **KIR¹**]

Kid'erminster, n. Town in Worcester-shire; ~ *carpet* (with pattern formed by intersection of two cloths of different colours).

kid'die, n. Barrier in river with opening fitted with nets etc. to catch fish; arrangement of stake-nets on sea-beach. [f. OF *quidel*, *qu-*]

kid'nep, v.t. (-pp-). Steal (child); carry off (person) by illegal force. Hence ~**per¹** n. ~**per²** + *abs. nap* sense, cf. **NAB**

kila'ng, n. (sl. ~). One of pair of glandular organs in abdominal cavity of mam-

mals, birds, & reptiles, serving to excrete urine & so remove effete nitrogenous matter from blood; ~ of sheep, cattle, & pigs, as food; temperament, nature, as a man of that ~, of the right ~; (also ~ *potato*) oval kind of potato; || ~ *bean*, (1) dwarf French bean, (2) scarlet-runner. [f.]

kief. See **KEE**.

kie-kie k(é'k), n. New Zealand climbing plant with leaves used for baskets etc. [Maori]

kier, n. Vat in which cloth is boiled for bleaching etc. [cf. ON *ker*, Da. etc. *kar*]

kieselguhr (kē'zlgoor), n. Diatomaceous earth used for polishing & as absorbent of nitro-glycerine in manufacture of dynamite. [G *kiesel* gravel + *guhr* sediment]

Kikuyu¹ (-ōyōō), n. (Used for) the controversy in the Anglican Church on the admissibility to Holy Communion of members of other Christian Churches. [~ in Brit. E. Africa (now Kenya), a conference at which in 1913 gave rise to the controversy]

kil'derkin, n. Cask for liquids etc., containing 16 or 18 gal.; this as measure. [corrupt. of Du. *kindeken* (kind child, see **KIN**)]

kill¹, v.t. & i. 1. Put to death, slay (~ *two birds with one stone*, effect two purposes at once); (of disease, grief, shock, drink, poison, etc.) cause the death of; ~ *off*, get rid of (number of persons etc.) by ~ing. 2. (Abs., esp. Sport.) perform act of ~ing, do execution. 3. (Intr., quasi-pass.) yield good or much meat when ~ed, as pigs do not ~ *well at that age*. 4. Represent in fiction etc. as dead, as ~ *your villain in the last chapter*. 5. Destroy vitality of (plant, disease, etc.); destroy, put an end to, (feelings etc.). 6. Neutralize (colour etc.) by contrast. 7. Consume (time) for the sake of doing so. 8. Overwhelm (person) with admiration, amusement, etc. (*got up to ~*, fascinatingly dressed), whence ~ing² a., ~ingl² adv. 9. (Lawn Tennis) strike (ball) so that it cannot be returned; (Footb.) stop (ball) dead. 10. Totally defeat (bill in Parliament). 11. ~ (fatally harm) *with* (mistaken) *kindness*; ~ *devil*, artificial bait made to spin in water; ~ *joy*, one who throws gloom over social enjoyment; ~ *time* n. & a., (occupation) intended to ~ time. [f.]

kill², n. Act of killing; animal killed, esp. by sportsman. [f. prec.]

kill'er, n. One who, that which, kills; murderous ruffian; **HUMAN** ~; ~ *whale*, voracious cetacean (esp. the grampus). [-ER¹]

kill'ick, -ock, n. Heavy stone used by small craft as anchor; small anchor. [f.]

kila (or *kil*), n. Furnace, oven, for burning, baking, or drying, esp. (*kims* ~) for calcining lime, or (*brick* ~) baking bricks;

~dry v.t., dry in ~. [OE *cylene* f. L *culina* kitchen]

kilo- in comb., arbitrary representative (f. F) of Gk *khlitō* 1,000, as: ~cycle, unit of frequency of vibration (1,000 oscillations per second) used esp. of wireless waves; ~gram(me), weight of 1,000 grammes (2-205 lb. avoird.); ~grammètre (-ter), energy that will raise one kilogramme to the height of one metre; ~litre, ~liter, (-lêter), measure of 1,000 litres (35-31 cub. ft.); ~mètre, ~mêter, measure of 1,000 metres (3280-89 ft), whence ~métrical) aa.; ~watt, 1,000 watts.

kilt¹, v.t. Tuck up (skirts) round body; gather in vertical plaits (esp. in p.p.). [prob. of Scand. orig., cf. Da. *kilte*]

kilt², n. Skirt, usu. of tartan cloth, reaching from waist to knee, part of Highland male dress; hence *kiltie* [-y²] n., kilted Highland soldier. [f. prec.]

***kil'ter**, *kē-*, n. Good working order (out of ~, not working properly). [Eng. dial.]

kimōn'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Long loose Japanese robe with wide short sleeves, held together by a sash; European dressing-gown or wrap modelled on this. [Jap.]

kin, n. & a. Ancestral stock, family, as comes of good ~; one's relatives; KITH & ~; (pred. adj.) related, as we are ~, he is ~ to me; of ~, akin, related by blood ties or (fig.) in character; near of ~, closely related; NEXT of ~. Hence ~LESS a. [com.-Teut.: OE *cyn(n)*, Du. *kunne*, Da. & Sw. *køn*, f. root *kīn*, *kān*, *kun*; cogn. w. Gk *genos* race, L *genus* kind]

-**kin**, suf. form. dimm., corresp. to MDu. *-kīn*, *-ken*, G *-chen*; chiefly in wds f. Du. or of doubtful orig., *lambkin* being the only E formation of real currency; ME had proper names, as *Malkin*, *Perkin*, *Simkin*.

kin'chin, n. (cant). Child; ~ lay, practice of stealing money from children sent on errands. [prob. f. G *kindchen* (kind child, see prec.)]

kin'cōb (-ngk-), n. Rich Indian stuff embroidered with gold or silver. [f. Hind. *kimkhab*]

kind¹, n. 1. Race, natural group, of animals, plants, etc., as human ~, the rabbit ~. 2. Class, sort, variety, as of what ~ is it?, of a different ~; something of the ~, something like the thing in question; nothing of the ~, not at all like it; (derog.) we had coffee of a ~ (that scarcely deserved the name). 3. (Ecol.) each of the two elements in the Eucharist. 4. (In transposed constr.) what ~ of tree is this?, of what ~ is this tree?, this is the ~ of thing I mean! (a thing of the ~ I meant); (colloq.) these ~ of men (men of this ~) annoy me. 5. (Implying looseness, vagueness, exaggeration, etc., in the term used) he is a ~ of stockbroker, of millionaire, felt a ~ of compunction; (colloq.) I ~ of (to some extent) expected it. || 6. (arch.).

Nature in general, as the law of ~; way, fashion, natural to person etc., as they act after their ~. 7. Character, quality, as they differ in ~ (not merely in degree). 8. In ~, (of payment) in goods or natural produce, not in money, (of repayment, esp. fig.) repay his insolence in ~ (with insolence). [OE *gecynde* (ge- Y- + **cynde* f. root *kun-* see KIN)]

kind², a. Of gentle or benevolent nature; friendly in one's conduct to (person etc.); (arch.) affectionate; ~hearted, having a ~ heart. Hence ~ly¹ [-LY²] adv. (often politely in requests, or ironically in commands), ~NESS n. [OE *gecynde* (as prec.); orig. = natural, native]

kind'ergärten, n. School for developing minds of children by object-lessons, toys, games, etc. Hence ~ISM n. [G. = children's garden]

kindle, v.t. & i. Set on fire, light, (flame, fire, substance); (fig.) inflame, inspire, (passion etc.), stir up (person to emotion etc., to do); (intr.) catch fire, burst into flame; (fig.) become animated, glow with passion etc.; make, become, bright, (cause to) glow (often up); hence *kindle* *ling¹* n., (esp., sing. or pl.) small wood for lighting fires. [prob. f. ON *kynda* kindle + -LE(3)]

kind'ly¹ (for ~y¹ see KIND²), a. Kind; (of climate etc.) pleasant, genial; || (arch.) native-born, as a ~y Scot. Hence ~ly² adv., ~INESS n. [OE *gecyndelic* (as KIND², see -LY¹)]

kind'réd, n. & a. 1. Blood relationship; (fig.) resemblance in character; one's relatives. 2. adj. Related by blood; (fig.) allied, connected, similar, as frost & ~ phenomena. [f. KIN + -réd, OE *ræðem* condition, reckoning]

kine. See *cow¹*.

kinēm'a, orig. form of CINEMA.

kinēmāt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of motion considered abstractly without reference to force or mass. 2. n. pl. Science of this. Hence ~AL a. [f. Gk *kinēma* -matos motion (*kinēō* move, see -M + -IC)]

kinematograph, -ic, -y. = CINEMATOGRAPH etc.

kinēt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, due to, motion; ~ ENERGY; ~ theory of heat, of gases (that heat, the gaseous state, is due to motion of particles). 2. n. pl. Science of the relations between the motions of bodies & the forces acting on them. [f. Gk *kinētikos* (*kinēō* move, see -ITIC)]

king¹, n. 1. Male sovereign (esp. hereditary) ruler of independent state (~ sends his carriage, i.e. BLACK Maria). 2. *K~ Baby*, baby as household idol; *K~ Emperor* (of U.K. & India; hist.); *K~ Log*, *K~ Stork*, rulers going to extremes of laissez-faire, oppression (w. ref. to fable of the frogs); *K~ of ~s*, God, (also) title assumed by many Eastern ~s; *K~ of Teraps*, Death; *K~ Charles's*, SPANIEL; || *K~'s*

**BRONCH, BOUNTY, COLOUR¹, COUNSEL¹, ENG-
LISH, EVIDENCE¹, FURNACE¹, HIGHWAY, PIPE¹,
SKILLING, WEATHER; K~ of the Castle, child's game. 3. Great merchant etc., as fur, railway, ~. 4. ~ of beasts, birds, lion, eagle. 5. Best kind (of fruits, plants, etc.). 6. (Chess) piece that has to be protected from checkmate, ~'s bishop, knight, rook (placed on ~'s side of board at beginning); (Draughts) piece that, having traversed the board & reached opponent's base-line, is crowned; (Cards) card bearing representation of ~, & usu. ranking next below ace. 7. ~bird, kind of bird of paradise, (also) American tyrant flycatcher; ~bott, main or large bolt; ~crab, large arachnid or crustacean animal with horseshoe-shaped carapace; ~craft, skilful exercise of royalty; ~cup, buttercup, || (also) marsh marigold; ~fisher, small bird with long cleft beak & brilliant plumage, feeding on fish it captures by diving; ~maker, one who sets up ~s, esp. Earl of Warwick in reign of Henry VI; || K~ of Arms, any of five chief heralds of College of Arms, Garter, Clarencieux, Norroy, (Scotland) Lyon, (Ireland) Ulster; ~pin, = ~bolt, also fig.; ~post, upright post from tie-beam to rafter-top; ~'s evil, scrofula, formerly held to be curable by ~'s touch; ~'s peg, drink of champagne & brandy; || K~'s Roll (of employers pledged to employ at least a fixed proportion of ex-service men). Hence ~'LESS, ~'LIKE, ~'LY¹, as, ~'HNESS, ~SHIP(1), nn. [com.-Teut.: OE *cyni(n)g*, Du. *konink*, G. *könig*, f. same root as KIN] **king²**, v.i. & t. Act the king, govern, esp. ~t; make (person) a king. [f. prec.] **king'dom**, n. Monarchical State; *United K~*, Great Britain & (Northern) Ireland; territory subject to king; spiritual reign of God, sphere of this, esp. *the ~ of heaven*; domain; province of nature, esp. animal, vegetable, mineral, ~; (sl.) ~come, the next world (echo of *thy ~ come* in Lord's Prayer). Hence ~ED³ (-amd) a. [OE *cynigdom* (as KING¹, see -DOM)] **king³** /lét, n. Petty king (usu. derog.), so ~LING¹ n.; golden-crested wren. [-LET] **king**, n. & v.i. & t. 1. Back-twist in wire or chain or rope such as may cause obstruction or a break; (fig.) mental twist, crotchet. 2. v.i. (Of rope etc.) form a ~; (v.t.) cause (rope) to do this. Hence ~Y³ a. [(vb) prob. f. Du. *kingen*; (a.) Du., G., Da., Sw., f. root **kik* bend] **king'ajou** (-ō), n. Animal allied to racoon, with prehensile tail & nocturnal habits. [f. F *quincajou* f. N. Amer. *q.*, n. Mixture of dried sumach-leaves, bark of willow, etc., as substitute for tobacco, or mixed with it; any plant used for this; [Algonquin] **ki'nd** (ks), n. Gum of various trees, resinous & used in medicine &**

tanning as astringent. [prob. of W.-Afr. orig.] **kins** /folk (-ōk), n. pl. (literary). Relations by blood. So ~MAN, ~WOMAN, nn. [f. KIN + FOLK] **kin'ship**, n. Blood relationship; similarity, alliance, in character. [-SHIP] **kin'tal**, early form of QUINTAL. **klōsk'**, n. Light open pavilion in Turkey & Persia; *Yildiz K~*, Turkish Sultan's palace; light out-of-door structure for sale of newspapers, bandstand, etc. [f. Turk. *kiushk*] **kīp¹**, n. Hide of young or small beast as used for leather. [f.] **kīp²**, n. & v.i. (-pp; sl.). Common lodging-house; lodging; bed; (v.i.) sleep. [cf. Da. *kippe* mean hut or alehouse] **kipp'er¹**, n. Male salmon in spawning season; kippered fish, esp. herring. [f.] **kipp'er²**, v.t. Cure (salmon, herring, etc.) by splitting open, cleaning, rubbing with salt, pepper, etc., & drying in open air or smoke. [perh. f. prec.] **Kirghiz** (kōrgēz'), a. & n. (Member, language) of a Mongolian race living on the Caspian, N.E. of the Kalmucks. || **kīrk**, n. (Sc. & north.) church; (in E use) K~ of Scotland, Church of Scotland as opp. to Church of England or to Episcopal Church in Scotland; ~man, member of K~ of Scotland; ~session, lowest court in K~ of Scotland & other Presbyterian Churches, composed of ministers & elders. [north. form of CHURCH] **kirsch(wasser)** (kēsh'vasser), n. Spirit distilled from fermented liquor of wild cherries. [G. (*kirsche* cherry + *wasser* water)] || **kīrtle**, n. (aroh.). Woman's gown or outer petticoat; man's tunic or coat. [OE *cyrtel*, cf. Da. & Sw. *kjortel*, perh. f. L *curtus* short] **kis'mēt**, n. Destiny. [Turk., f. Arab. *qisma(t)* f. *qasama* divide] **kiss¹**, n. Caress given with lips; (Billiards) impact between moving balls; kind of sugar-plum. [OE *cos*, cf. Du. *kus*, G. *kuss*] **kiss²**, v.t. Touch with the lips, esp. as sign of affection, greeting, or reverence; (abs., of two persons) ~ & be friends, etc.; (Billiards, of ball) touch (ball) with *kiss¹* (also abs. of two balls); ~ away, remove (tears etc.) with kisses; ~ the book (Bible, in taking oath); ~ the dust, yield abject submission, (also) be slain; ~ the ground, prostrate oneself in token of homage, (fig.) be brought low; ~ one's hand to, wave a kiss to; ~ hands or the hand (of sovereign etc. as ceremonial salutation or on appointment to office); ~ the rod, accept chastisement submissively; ~ in-the-ring, game for young people in which one pursues & ~s another of opposite sex; ~ me quick, kinds of plant, small bonnet standing far back on head, owl

worn on forehead. Hence ~*ABLE* a., ~*ably* adv. [OE *cyssan*, cf. Du. *kussen*, G *küssen*]

kiss'ing¹, a. In vbl senses; ~*crust*, soft crust where loaf has touched another in baking. [-ING¹]

kiss'ing², n. In vbl senses; || ~*gate* (hung in U or V shaped enclosure); ~ *kind*, on affectionate terms. [-ING¹]

kit¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. || Wooden tub for various purposes; (articles carried in) soldier's etc. pack etc.; personal equipment, esp. as packed for travelling; workman's outfit; ~*bag* (for carrying soldier's or traveller's ~). 2. vb. Fit out, be fitted out, with ~ (freq. up). [prob. f. MDu. *kittle* wooden bowl, etym. dub.]

kit², n. Abbr. of KITTEN.

kit³, n. (now rare). Small fiddle used by dancing-master. [perh. ult. as CITHERN]

kit'cái, n. K ~ *Club*, club of Whig politicians founded under James II; member of this; ~ (*portrait*), portrait of less than half-length, but including hands. [f. *Christopher* (or *Kit*) *Cat*, keeper of pte-house where club met]

kitch'en, n. Part of house where food is cooked; ~ *garden* (for fruit & vegetables); ~*maid*, servant employed in ~, usu. under cook; ~ *MIDDEN*; ~ *physic*, good & plentiful food; ~ *stuff*, ~ *requisites*, esp. vegetables. [OE *cyccene*, cf. Du. *keuken*, G *küche* f. vulg. L *cucina* var. of *coquina* (*coquere* cook)]

kitch'ener, n. || Cooking-range; person in charge of monastery kitchen. [-ER¹]

kitchen'ette¹, n. Small room, alcove, etc., fitted up as miniature kitchen & scullery (esp. in modern flat). [-ETTE]

kite, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Bird of prey of same family as falcon, with long wings, usu. forked tail, & no tooth in bill; rapacious person, sharper; toy consisting of light wooden frame, usu. in form of isosceles triangle with circular arc as base, with paper stretched over it, flown in strong wind by string; *fly a ~*, (fig.) make experiment to gauge public opinion etc.; (sl.) aeroplane; (Commerc. sl.) accommodation bill (*fly a ~*, raise money by this); (pl.) highest sails of ship, set only in light wind; ~ *balloon*, sausage-shaped captive balloon for military observation. 2. v.i. Soar like ~; (v.t.) cause to do this, (Commerc.) convert into ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *cýta*]

kith, n. ~ & *kin*, acquaintance & kinsfolk. [OE *cýth*, orig. = knowledge, known country, cogn. W. *cunnan* CAN²]

kitt'en, n., & v.t. 1. Young of cat; skittish young girl. 2. v.t. Bring forth (~s, or abs.). Hence ~*ISH*¹ a. [(vb f. n.) ME, prob. f. OF *chitoun* var. of *chalon* kitten, see CAT]

kittereen¹, n. W.-Ind. one-horse chaise. [?]

kitt'iwáke, n. Kind of sea-gull. [imit.] **kit'tle**, a. Ticklish, difficult to deal with, esp. ~ *cattle* (usu. fig. of persons or things).

[f. ME vb *kytyle* tickle, puzzle; prob. imit.]

kittul' (-ōl), **kit'ōl**¹, n. Kind of palm; strong black fibre from leaf-stalks of this. [f. Cingalese *kitul*]

kitt'y¹, n. Pet name for kitten. [f. KIT¹ + -y²]

kitt'y², n. Pool in some card games; joint fund; (Bowls) jack. [?]

ki'wi (kē'wō), n. = *AFTERYX*; || (sl.) non-flying member of Air Force. [Maori]

klāx'on, n. Powerful electric motor-horn. [P; f. Gk *klazō* shriek]

klēpht, n. One of the Greeks who after Turkish conquest of Greece in 15th c. maintained independence in mountains; brigand. [f. mod. Gk *klephtēs* f. Gk *kleptēs* thief]

klēpt[omān]'ia, n. Irresistible tendency to theft in persons not tempted to it by needy circumstances. Hence ~*MAN'* IAC n. [f. Gk *kleptēs* thief + -o- + *MANIA*]

klēp'springer, n. Small S.-Afr. antelope. [S.-Afr. Du. (*klip* rock + *springer* springer)]

klōōf, n. Ravine, valley, in S. Africa. [Du., = cleft]

knäck, n. Acquired faculty of doing a thing adroitly; ingenious device; trick, habit, of action, speech, etc. Hence ~*'Y* a. [?]

knäck'er, n. || One who buys & slaughters useless horses, whence ~*ERY*(S) n.; one who buys old houses, ships, etc., for the materials. [?]

knäg, n. Knot in wood, base of a branch. Hence ~*'g'Y*² (-g-) a. [ME, = G *knagge*]

knäp¹, n. (dial.). Crest of hill, rising ground. [OE *cnæp*(p), perh. cogn. W. ON *knapper* knob]

knäp², v.t. (-pp-). Break (flints for roads) with hammer, whence ~*p'ER*¹(1, 2) n.; (Bibl., dial.) knock, rap, snap asunder. [imit.]

knäp'säck, n. Soldier's or traveller's canvas or leather bag, strapped to back & used for carrying necessities. [LG, prob. f. *knappen* bite + *SAOK*¹]

knäp'weed, n. Common weed with hard stem & light purple flowers on dark globular head. [earlier *knopweed* (KNOP + WEED)]

knäp, n. Knot in wood, esp. protuberance covered with bark on trunk or at root of tree. [ME *knarre* = LG *knarre*(n), Du. *knar*]

knäve, n. Unprincipled man, rogue, whence ~*ERY*(4), ~*ISHNESS*, nn., ~*ISH*² a., ~*ISHY*² adv.; (Cards) lowest court card of each suit. [OE *cnafa* boy, servant, knave, cf. G *knabe*]

knead, v.t. Work up (moist flour or clay) into dough or paste; make (bread,

pottery) thus; (fig.) blend, weld together; operate on (muscles etc.) as if ~ing, massage. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹(1, 2) n. [OE *cnedan*, cf. Du. *kneden*, G *kneten*]

knead'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~-trough, wooden trough in which dough is kneaded. [-ING¹]

knee¹, n. 1. Joint between thigh & lower leg in man, corresponding joint in animals; *give a ~ to*, support (pugilist) on one's ~ between rounds, act as second to; on one's ~s, kneeling, esp. in supplication, worship, or submission; *bring* (person) *to his ~s*, reduce him to submission; *is on the ~s of the gods*, is yet uncertain. 2. Part of garment covering the ~. 3. Thing like ~ in shape or position, esp. piece of wood or iron with angular bend. 4. ~-breaches (reaching down to or just below ~); ~-cap, convex bone in front of ~-joint, (also) protective covering for ~; ~-deep, so deep as to reach the ~s; ~-hole (table), (writing-table with) hole between drawer pedestals to admit ~s; ~-joint, joint of ~, joint of two pieces hinged together; ~-pan, ~-cap; ~-swell, (In Amer. organ etc.) lever worked by ~, for producing crescendo & diminuendo effects. [com.-Teut.: OE *cnéow*, Du. & G *kníe*, cf. I. *genu*, Gk *gonu*, Skr. *janu*]

knee², v.t. Touch with the knee; fasten (framework etc.) with knees; (colloq.) cause (trousers) to bulge at knees. [f. prec.]

kneel, v.i. (*knél*). Fall, rest, on the knee(s) esp. in prayer or reverence (to person). [ME *cnéolen* f. OE *cnéowlian* (as *KNEE¹*)]

knell¹, n. Sound of bell, esp. of one rung solemnly after death or at funeral; (fig.) announcement, event, etc. regarded as an omen of death or extinction. [OE *cnyll* (as foll.)]

knell², v.i. & t. (arch.). (Of bell) ring, esp. at death or funeral; give forth doleful sound; (fig.) sound ominously; (v.t.) proclaim as by a knell. [OE *cnyllan*, cf. MHG *erknellen*]

knelt. See *KNEEL*.

knew. See *KNOW¹*.

knick'erböcker, n. (*K~*) New Yorker; (pl.) loose-fitting breeches gathered in at knee. [*K~*, pretended author of W. Irving's *History of New York*]

knick'ers, n. pl. Knickerbockers (colloq.); woman's drawers of knickerbocker shape. [abbr. of prec.]

knick-knack, **nick-nack**, n. Light dainty article of furniture, dress, or food; trinket, gimcrack. Hence ~ERY(2, 5) n., ~ISH¹ a. [redupl. of *KNACK* in obs. sense 'trinket']

knife, n. (pl. *knives* pr. *nivz*), & v.t. (*-fed*). 1. Blade with sharpened longitudinal edge fixed in handle either rigidly, as in *table, carving*, ~, or with hinge, as in *poCKET~*, used as cutting instrument or as

weapon; (of malicious or vindictive person) *get a ~ into* (person); *war to the ~*, relentless war; blade forming part of machine, as in turnip-cutter etc.; *the ~*, surgical operations, as *have a horror of the ~*; *before you can say ~*, very quickly or suddenly; *play a good ~ & fork*, eat heartily. 2. ~-board (on which knives are cleaned), (transf.) || double bench placed lengthways on the top of omnibus; ~-boy (employed to clean table-knives); ~-edge, edge of ~, steel wedge on which pendulum etc. oscillates, = *ARÊTE*; ~-grinder, itinerant sharpener of knives etc., one who grinds knives etc. in process of making; ~-machine (for cleaning knives); ~-rest, metal or glass support for carving ~ or fork at table. 3. v.t. Cut, stab, with ~. ((vb f. n.) late OE *cnif*, cf. Du. *knijf*, G *knief*)

knight (nit), n., & v.t. 1. Military follower, esp. one devoted to service of (lady) as attendant or champion in war or tournament. 2. Person, usu. one of noble birth who had served as page & squire, raised to honourable military rank by king or qualified person. 3. One on whom corresponding rank is conferred as reward for personal merit or services to crown or country. 4. (Hist., also ~ of the shire) person representing shire or county in parliament. 5. (Rom. Ant.) one of the class of equites, orig. the cavalry of Roman army; (Gk Ant.) citizen of second class at Athens. 6. Piece in game of chess, usu. with horse's head. 7. ~-MACHELOR, COMMANDER, COMPANION¹, HOSPITALIER, TEMPLAR; ~ errant, medieval ~ wandering in search of chivalrous adventures, (fig.) person of chivalrous or of quixotic spirit; ~errandry, practice, conduct, of a ~ errant (lit. & fig.); ~-heads, two vertical timbers supporting bowsprit; ~ of the post, one who got his living by giving false evidence; ~-service (hist.), tenure of land by military service. 8. v.t. Confer ~hood on. Hence ~HOOD n., ~LIKE, ~LY¹, aa., ~LY² adv. (poet.), (nit-). [com.-WG.: OE *cnicht*, Du. & G *knächt* lad, servant, soldier]

knight'age (nit-), n. Whole body of knights; list & account of knights. (-AGE) **knit**, v.t. & i. (~-ed or *knit*). Form (close texture, garments etc. of this) of inter-looping yarn or thread; contract (brow) in wrinkles; make, become, close or compact (esp. in p.p., as *a well~ frame*); (fig.) unite (t. & i.) intimately by means of common interests, marriage, etc., (often *together*); ~ up, repair by ~ing, (fig.) close up, conclude, (argument etc.). [OE *cnytan*, cf. MDu. *knutten*, G *knütten*]

knitt'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp. work in process of ~; ~-needle, slender rod of steel, wood, ivory, etc., two or more of

which are used together in ~. [f. prec. + -ING¹]

knit'tle, n. (naut.). Small line made of yarn. [f. KNOT + -LE]

knöb, n., & v.t. & i. (-bb-). 1. Rounded protuberance, esp. at end or on surface of thing; handle of door (often door~) or drawer; small lump (of sugar, coal, etc.); (sl.) head (usu. nob); ~kerrie (after Cape Du. *knopkirie*), short stick with ~bed head as weapon of S.-Afr. tribes; ~stick, ~bed stick, esp. as weapon, || (also) workman who works during strike; with ~s on (sl.), = that, & more (phr. indicating ironic or emphatic agreement). 2. v.t. Furnish with ~s; (v.i.) bulge out. Hence ~b'y² a., ~b'iness n. [(vb f. n.) ME, cf. G *knobbe*]

knöb'ble, n. Small knob. Hence ~y² a. [f. KNOB + -LE]

knöck¹, v.t. & i. 1. Strike with hard blow; strike door, strike at the door, to gain admittance; (of motor or other engine) make thumping or rattling noise as result of loose bearing or other mechanical defect; *(sl.) criticize; || (sl.) make strong impression on, as *what ~s me is his impudence*; ~ (person etc.) on the head, stun, kill, him by blow on head, (fig.) put an end to (scheme etc.); ~ one's head against, (fig.) come into unpleasant collision with (unfavourable facts or conditions); ~ head v.b. kotow; drive (thing) in, out, off, etc., by striking (see also below); ~ into a cock'ed hat; ~ one into the middle of next week, send him flying; ~ the bottom out of, render (argument etc.) invalid. 2. ~ about, strike repeatedly, treat roughly, (intr.) wander, lead irregular life; ~ against, collide with, come across casually; ~ down, strike (person etc.) to ground with blow, (fig.) cause to succumb, (at auction) dispose of (article to bidder) by knock with hammer, (colloq.) call upon (person for a song etc.), (colloq.) lower (prices), (Commerc.) take (machinery etc.) to pieces to save space in transport; ~ off, strike off with blow, leave off work, leave off (work), (colloq.) dispatch (business) or rapidly compose (verses etc.), deduct (sum from price, bill, etc.), ~ person's head off, (fig.) surpass him easily; ~ out, empty (one's pipe) by tapping, disable (pugilist) so that he cannot respond to call of 'Time', (fig.) vanquish, (colloq.) make (plan etc.) hastily; ~ together, put hastily together; ~ under, submit, knuckle under; ~ up, drive upwards with blow, make or arrange hastily, score (runs) at cricket, arouse (person) by ~ing at door, exhaust, become exhausted. 3. ~ about n. & a., boisterous, noisy (performance in music-hall etc.), wandering irregularly, (of clothes) suitable for rough use; ~down a. & n., (of blow, lit. & fig.) overwhelming, (of price at auction) reserve, minimum, (n.) free fight; ~

knees (that ~ together in walking); ~kneed, having ~knees; ~out, (blow) that ~s boxer out, (n.) || one of gang who join at auction to buy goods at low price, afterwards reselling among themselves, this practice, such sale, (sl.) outstanding person or thing. (late OE *cnocian*, cf. ON *knoka*, prob. imit.)

knöck², n. Blow; rap esp. at door; sound of knocking in motor etc. engine (see prec.); (sl.) innings at cricket; ~up, practice or casual game at cricket, fives, etc.; take the ~ (sl.), be hard hit financially. [f. prec.]

knöck'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: appendage, usu. of iron or brass, so hinged to door that it may be struck against metal plate to call attention (*up to the ~*, sl., to perfection); goblin held to dwell in mines & indicate presence of ore by knocking. [-RR¹]

knöll¹, n. Small hill, mound. [OE *cnoll*, cf. Du. *knol* clod, ball. MlG *knolle* clod] || **knöll²**, v.t. & i. (arch.). Ring (bell); (of bell) sound; toll out (hours); summon by sound of bell. [var. of KNELL]

knöp, n. (arch.). Knob; bud of flower. [ME & Du., cf. G *knopf*]

knöt¹, n. 1. Intertwining of parts of one or more ropes, strings, etc., to fasten them together; GRANNY'S, REEF¹, SLIP, WEAVER'S, ~; ribbon etc. so tied as ornament or adjunct to dress, as SHOULDER, SWORD, TOP, TRUE-love, ~. 2. (Naut.) division marked by ~s on log-line, as measure of speed; (loosely) nautical mile (6,080 ft). 3. Difficulty, problem; GORDIAN ~; central point in problem or plot of story etc.; marriage, wedding, ~ (bond). 4. Hard lump in animal body; excrescence in stem, branch, or root, of plant; (hard mass formed in trunk at insertion of branch, causing) round cross-grained piece in board; node on stem of plant. 5. Group, cluster, of persons or things. 6. || (Usu. porter's ~) double shoulder-pad used for carrying loads. 7. ~grass, common weed with intricate creeping stems & pale pink flowers; ~work, ornamental work representing or consisting of intertwined cords, (also) kind of fancy needlework. Hence ~LESS^a. [OE *cnotta*, cf. Du. *knót*, G *knoten*]

knöt², v.t. & i. (-tt-). Tie (string etc.) in knot; make knots for fringes, (trans.) make (fringe) thus, whence ~t'ing¹ n.; knit (one's brows); unite closely or intricately; entangle. [f. prec.]

knött'ŷ, a. Full of knots; (fig.) puzzling, hard to explain, as ~y subject, question, point. Hence ~iness n. [f. KNOT¹ + -Y²]

knout (or *nöut*), n., & v.t. (Flog with) scourge formerly used in Russia, often fatal in its effects. [(vb t. n.) F, f. Russ. *knut*]

know¹ (nō), v.t. & i. (*knew* pron. nū, ~n). 1. Recognize, identify, as I knew

him at once, *knew him for an American, shall you ~ him again?*; be able to distinguish (*don't ~ him from Adam*; ~ one from another, a *hawk*¹ from a handsaw).

2. Be acquainted with (thing, place, person) *by sight, to speak to, etc.* (~ by name, have heard the name of, be able to give the name of; have personal experience of (fear, pain, etc.); be on intimate terms with. 3. Be aware of (fact), be aware (*that, how, what, etc.*); ~ (person etc.) to be (that he is). 4. Be versed in (language, science, etc.). 5. *He would do it if he knew how* (knew the way); *all one ~s*, all one can, (adv.) to the utmost of one's power; ~ about, have information about; *I ~ better* (than that), I am too well informed of the facts to believe that; ~ better than, be too discreet to do; ~ of, be aware of; *not that I ~ of*, not so far as I ~; ~ one's own mind, not vacillate; ~ what's what, have proper knowledge of the world & of things in general; *don't you ~* (esp. as parenthetical expletive in various contexts; *it's such a bore, don't you ~*); ~ the ropes. 6. ~ all, one who ~s or professes to ~ everything; ~ how, faculty of ~ing how; ~ nothing, ignorant person, (also) agnostic, whence ~ nothingism. Hence ~ ABILITY, ~ ABLENESS, nn., ~ ABLE a., (nba-). [com.-Teut. (retained only in E) & Aryan: OE (*ge)cndwan*, OHG *-cndan*, L & Gk *gnō*, Skr. *jna-*]

know¹ (nō), n. (colloq.). In the ~, knowing (about) the thing in question or what is not generally known. [f. prec.]

know'ing (nōl-), a. In vb senses, esp.: cunning, wide-awake; (colloq.) stylish, smart, as a ~ hat. Hence ~NESS n. [-ING²]

know'ingly (nōl-), adv. In a knowing manner; consciously, intentionally, as *I have never ~ injured him*. [-LY¹]

know'ledge (nōl-), n. Knowing, familiarity gained by experience, (of person, thing, fact); person's range of information, as *it came to my ~* (became known to me), *not to my ~*, not so far as I know, *he had to my ~* (certain) ~ been bribed (I know he had); theoretical or practical understanding (of subject, language, etc.); the sum of what is known, as *every branch of ~*. Hence ~ ABLE (nōlīja-) a. (colloq.), well-informed, intelligent. [ME *knaulage*, century later than obs. vb *knowledge* confuses (KNOW, -ledge unexpl.)]

knūc'kle, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Bone at finger-joint, esp. at root of finger; projection of carpal or tarsal joint of quadruped; joint of meat consisting of this with parts above & below it; a *rap*¹ on the ~s; *near the ~* (colloq.), verging on the indecent; ~ bone, bone forming ~, esp. of sheep or the like, (pl.) game played with such bones; ~ ~ dust, metal instrument protecting ~s from injury in striking. 2. v.t.

Strike, press, rub, with ~s; (v.i.) place ~s on ground in playing at marbles; ~ down, under, give in, submit (to). [(vb f. n.) ME *knokel*, cf. Du. *kneukel*, G *knöchel*, prob. dim. of wd appearing in MLG as *knock bone*]

knūf(r), n. Hard excrecence on trunk of tree; hard concretion; wooden ball in north-country game like trap-ball. [ME *knorre*, cf. Du. *knor*, G *knorre(n)*]

knūrl, n. Knot, knob (esp., that by which typewriter platen is turned); bead or ridge in metal work, whence ~ED² (-ld) a. [prob. f. prec.]

knūt, joc. spelling of NUT used of youths.

kō'a, n. An acacia in Sandwich Is. [native] **koa'la** (-ah-), **kōō'lah** (-la), n. Arboreal mammal of Australia, like sloth in form. [native]

kōb'ōld, n. (Germ. Myth.). Familiar spirit, brownie; underground spirit in mines etc. [G, etym. dub.]

kōd'āk, n., & v.t. 1. Kind of photographic camera with continuous roll of sensitized film. 2. v.t. Photograph with ~, (fig.) seize quickly, describe vividly, (scene, view). [P]

kō'el, n. Indian & Australian kinds of cuckoo. [f. Hind. *koil* f. Skr. *kokila*]

koh'i-noor (kōl-), n. Famous Indian diamond, property of British Crown since 1849; anything superb (of its class). [f. Pers. *kohi nur* (koh mountain + nur light)]

kohl (kōl), n. Powder, usu. antimony, used in East to darken eyelids etc. [f. Arab. *kohl* f. see ALCOHOL]

kohlra'bi (kōlrah-), n. Cabbage with turnip-shaped stem, used in England as food for cattle. [G, f. It. *cavoli rape* pl. (see COLE & RAPE²)]

kola. See COLA.

Kōlār'ian, a. & n. Of various primitive non-Aryan tribes in the forests & hill districts of Bengal; (n.) ~ native. [?]

kolin'skŷ, n. Fur of the Siberian mink. [Russ. (-skŷ) f. *Kola*, district in N.-W. Russia]

komita(djl). Var. of COMITADJI.

kōō'dōō, kudu (kōō'dōō), n. Large white-striped spiral-horned S.-Afr. antelope. [native]

koolah. See KOALA.

kopec(k), -peek, -pek, = КОПЕК. **kōpp'le**, **kōp'je** (-pl), n. (S.-Afr.). Small hill. [Du., dim. of *kop* head]

Kōr'an (or *korahn'*), n. Sacred book of the Mohammedans, collection of Mohammed's oral revelations, written in Arabic. Hence *korān'io* a. [f. Arab. *qoran* recitation (*qara'* a read)]

kōsh'er, a. & n. 1. (Of food or shop where food is sold or used) fulfilling requirements of Jewish law. 2. n. ~ food or shop. [f. Heb. *kasher* right]

kōtōw', n., & v.i. 1. Chinese custom of touching ground with forehead as sign of worship or absolute submission. 2. v.i. Perform the ~, act obsequiously (to person etc.). [(vb f. n.) f. Chin. *k'o-fou* (*k'o* knock + *f'ou* head)]

kōt'wal (-ahl), n. Chief constable of Indian town; magistrate. [Hind.]

koum'iss (kōō-), n. Fermented liquor prepared from mare's milk. [f. Tartar *kumis*]

kourb'āsh (koor-), koor-, n. Hide whip as instrument of punishment in Turkey & Egypt. [f. Arab. *qurbash* f. Turk. *qirbach*]

kowtow. Var. of **KOTOW**.

kraal (krah), n. S.-African village of huts enclosed by fence; enclosure for cattle or sheep. [colon. Du., f. Port. CORRAL]

krait (krīt), n. Peculiarly venomous snake common in Bengal. [Hind. *karait*]

kra'ken (-ah-, -ā-), n. Mythical sea-monster appearing off coast of Norway. [Norw.]

krans (-ah-), n. (S.-Afr.). Precipitous or overhanging wall of rocks. [Du. *krans* coronet]

krem'lin, n. Citadel within Russian town, esp. that of Moscow. [F. f. Russ. *kremli*]

kreu'tzer (kroīt-), n. Small silver & copper coins formerly current in Germany & Austria. [f. G *kreuzer* (*kreuz* cross)]

krieg'spiel, n. War-game in which blocks representing troops etc. are moved about on maps. [G]

kris. See **CREESE**.

Krish'naism, n. Worship of Krishna, great deity of later Hinduism, worshipped as incarnation of Vishnu. [-ISM]

kromés'ky, n. Minced chicken etc. rolled in bacon & fried. [f. Russ.]

krōn'e (-e), n. Silver coin of Denmark, Norway, & Sweden, worth about 1s. at par; former Austrian silver coin (10d.); former German 10-mark gold piece. [G & Da. *krona*, Sw. *krona*, crown]

Krōō, Krou, Kru, (-ōō), n. & a. (Member) of negro race on coast of Liberia, skilful as seamen (often, for the n., ~boy, ~man). [W.-Afr.]

krýp'ton, n. (chem.). A rare inert gaseous element discovered by Ramsay in 1898. [f. Gk *krupton* hidden, neut. adj. f. *kruptō* hide]

ksha'triya (-ah-), n. Member of the second or military caste of the Hindus. [Skr., f. *kshatra* rule]

kūd'ōs, n. (sl.). Glory, renown. [Gk]

Kufic. See **CURIC**.

***Kū-Klūx(-Klān')**, n. Secret society hostile to Negroes formed in southern States after civil war; similar organization throughout U.S. to combat alien influences after 1914-18 war. [arbitrary]

kul'at (kōō-), n. Curved knife broadening towards point, used by Gurkhas of India. [Hind.]

kul'āk (kōō-), n. (Russ. pl. ~ō). Well-to-do

Russian peasant (-proprietor). [Russ., =tight-fisted person]

kultur (kōōltōor'), n. Civilization as conceived by the Germans. [G., =culture]

kultus'kampf (kōōltōor'kahmpf), n. Conflict between German imperial government and Pope for control of schools and church appointments (1872-87). [G]

kūmm'el (see Ap.), n. Cummin-flavoured liqueur. [G]

Kuomintang' (kōōō-), n. Nationalist radical (or revolutionary) party in China (founded in 1912). [Chin., lit. 'people's national party']

Kurd (koord), n. Native of Kurdistan.

kursaal (koor'zahl), n. Building for use of visitors esp. at German health resort. [G., =cure-room]

kväss, n. Russian rye-beer. [f. Russ. *kvass*]

ký'anize, v.t. Treat (wood) with solution of corrosive sublimate to prevent decay. [f. J. H. *Kyan*, inventor, + -IZE]

kyl'in (kō-), n. Fabulous composite animal figured on Chinese & Japanese pottery. [f. Chin. *ch'i-lin* (*ch'i* male + *lin* female)]

|| **kyl'ōe**, n. One of small breed of long-horned Scotch cattle. [?]

kým'ograph (-ahf), n. Instrument recording variations in pressure, e.g. in sound-waves. [Gk *kuma* wave + -o- + -GRAPH(2)]

Kyrie eleison (kēr'ī ilā'ison), n. Words of short petition used in Eastern & Roman Churches, esp. at beginning of Mass, musical setting of those; response to commandments in Communion Service in Anglican Church. [f. Gk *Kyrie eleison* Lord, have mercy]

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L (ēl), letter (pl. *La*, *L's*). Thing shaped like **L** (*L-iron*, =ANGLE¹-iron); rectangular joint of pipes etc.; Roman numeral = 50, as CL 150, XL 40, lx 60, lv 55, (LXX, the Septuagint).

la (lah), n. (mus.). Sixth note of octave. [first syl. of *Labi*, see GAKUT]

laag'er (lahg-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Camp, encampment, esp. in circle of wagons; (Mil.) park for armoured vehicles. 2. vb. Form (vehicles) into ~; encamp (persons) in ~; encamp. [S.-Afr. Du., & G. *lager*, Du. *leger*, see LEAGUE¹]

lāb'arum, n. Constantine the Great's imperial standard with Christian added to Roman-military symbols; symbolic banner. [L, f. Gk *labaron* etym. dub.]

labdacism. See **LAMBDACTISM**.

lābēfāc'tion, n. Shaking, weakening, downfall. [f. L *labefacere* (*labare* totter, *facere* make), see -FACTIO¹]

lāb'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Slip of paper, card, linen, metal, etc., for attaching to object & indicating its nature, owner, name, destination, etc.; (fig.) short classifying

- phrase or name applied to persons etc.; adhesive stamp; (Archit.) dripstone. 2. v.t. Attach ~ to; assign to a category (as, obj. & compl., or abs.). [OF. = ribbon, fillet, etym. dub.]
- lāb'ial**, a. & n. Of the lips; (Anat., Zool.) of, like, serving as, a lip, lip-like part, or labium; (Mus.) ~ pipe, in organ, one furnished with lips, flue-pipe; (Phonet.) (sound) requiring closure or approximation of lips (p, b, m, f, v, w, & vowels in which lips are rounded, as o), whence ~ISM(1), ~IZA'TION, nn., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. med.L. *labialis* (LABIUM, -AL)]
- lāb'iate**, a. & n. (Bot.) with corolla or calyx divided into two parts suggesting lips (n., such plant); (Bot., Zool.) like lip or labium. [LANIUM + -ATE²]
- lāb'ile**, a. (physics, chem.). Unstable, liable to displacement or change. [f. L. *labilis* (labi to LAPSE², -IL)]
- lāb'io-**, comb. form of foll. = of the lip(s) & —, as ~dental, made with lip & teeth.
- lāb'ium**, n. (pl. -ia). (Anat.; usu. pl.) lip(s) of female pudendum; floor of mouth of insects, crustaceans, etc.; inner lip of univalve shell; lip, esp. the lower, of labiate corolla. [L. = lip]
- lāb'oratory** (or labō'), n. Room or building used for experiments in natural science, esp. chemistry, or for manufacturing chemicals etc. (also fig., ~ of the mind, of ideas, etc.). Hence **lāboratōr'ial** a. [f. med.L. *laboratorium* (laborare LABOUR², -ORY)]
- lāb'orous**, a. Hard-working; toilsome; (of style etc.) showing signs of toil, not facile or fluent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *laboriosus* (foll., -IOSUS)]
- lāb'our**¹ (-ber), n. 1. Bodily or mental toll, exertion, (HARD ~; lost ~, fruitless efforts; ~ of love, task one delights in); toll tending to supply wants of community; body of those who contribute by toll to production, labourers; (opp. CAPITAL², usu. L~) the working classes as a political force. 2. Task (~ of Hercules, Herculean ~, one needing enormous strength etc.). 3. Pains of childbirth, travail, (in ~). 4. || L~ Exchange, local office under State for directing ~ to places requiring it; L~ leader, (esp.) trade-union official; ~market, supply of unemployed ~ with reference to demand on it; L~ Party, that claiming to represent wage-earners, M.P.s elected by it. [f. OF labor f. L. *laborem* nom. -or]
- lāb'our**² (-ber), v.i. & t. Use labour, exert oneself, work hard; strive for end or to do; advance with difficulty (wheels ~ in the sand); be troubled (her ~ing heart) or impeded, suffer under mistake etc.; (of ship) roll or pitch heavily; (arch. or poet.) till (ground); elaborate, work out in detail, treat at length, (I will not ~ the point; ~ed, much elaborated, showing signs of labour, not spontaneous); ~ing man, labourer. [f. F. *labourer* f. L. *laborare* (labor LABOUR²)]
- lāb'ourer** (-ber), n. In vbl senses; esp., man doing for wages work that requires strength or patience rather than skill or training. [-ER¹]
- lāb'ourite** (-ber), n. Member, adherent, of Labour Party. [-ITE¹(1)]
- Lāb'radōr**, n. attrib. ~ dog, retriever, breed of retriever. [place]
- lāb'rēt**, n. Piece of shell, bone, etc., inserted in lip as ornament. [L. *labrum* lip, -ET¹]
- laburn'um**, n. Small tree with racemes of bright yellow flowers. [L.]
- lāb'yrynth**, n. Complicated irregular structure with many passages hard to find way through or about without guidance, maze; intricate or tortuous arrangement; (Anat.) complex cavity of internal ear; entangled state of affairs. Hence ~INE² (-in'thin) a. [f. L. f. Gk. *labyrinthos* etym. dub.]
- lābyrin'thodōn**, n., -dōnt, n. & a. (Kinds of large fossil amphibian) with labyrinthine teeth. [-dōnt f. -don mod. L. f. Gk. as prec. + odous -ontos tooth]
- lāc**¹, n. A resinous substance secreted by the lac insect as a protective covering. [f. Hind. *laksh* f. Skr. *laksha*]
- lāc**², **lāk'h** (-k), n. (Anglo-Ind.). A hundred thousand (usu. ~ of rupees). [Hind. (-kh) f. Skr. *laksha*]
- lāc**³, n. Cord or leather strip for fastening or tightening opposite edges of boot-uppers, stays, etc., by help of eyelets or hooks; braid for trimming men's coats etc. (usu. gold or silver ~); fine open fabric of linen, cotton, silk, woollen, or metal threads usu. with inwrought or applied patterns; ~glass, Venetian with ~like designs; ~pillow, laid on lap of woman making ~. Hence **lā'cy**² a. [f. OF *las*, *las*, f. L. *laqueus* noose]
- lāc**⁴, v.t. & i. Fasten or tighten (boot, stays, etc.) with lace(s); compress waist of by drawing stay-laces tight, (Intr.) compress one's waist; interlace or embroider (fabric) with thread etc.; pass (cord etc.) through; trim with lace; diversify (flower with streaks of colour); lash, beat, (also Intr. as ~ into person); flavour, fortify, (milk, beer, etc.) with spirit. Hence **lā'cing**¹(1, 3, 6) n. [f. OF *lacier* as prec.]
- lā'cer**[āte, v.t. Mangle, tear, (esp. flesh or tissues); afflict, distress, (heart, feelings). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~ATE²(-at), ~ATIVE, aa., ~A'TION n. [f. L. *lacerare* (lacer torn), -ATE²]
- lācér'tian**, -tine, aa. Of lizards; lizard-like. [f. L. *lacerta* lizard + -IAN, -INE¹]
- lācét**, n. Work made of braid or tape shaped into a design with lace stitches. [-ET¹]
- lāch'es** (-iz), n. (Law) negligence in performing a legal duty, delay in asserting

right, claiming privilege, etc.; culpable negligence. [f. OF *laschesse* (*lasche* f. *lascher* f. L *laxare* f. *laxus* LAX, -ESS²)]

lach'ryma Christi (lák-; kri-), n. Strong sweet red S.-Ital. wine. [L, =Christ's tear]

lach'rymal (-k-), a. & n. Of, for, tears (~ *vase*, or ~ as n., to hold tears; ~ *canal*, *duct*, *gland*, *sac*, in Anat.; also ~s as n., these organs). [med. L (-*alis*), f. L *lacrima* tear, cf. Gk *dakru*]

lachrymá'tion (-k-), n. Flow of tears. [f. L *lacrimatio* (*lacrimare* as plec., -ATION)]

lach'rymatory (-k-), a. & n. 1. Of, causing, tears (~ *bomb*, emitting gas that disables by making eyes water). 2. n. Phial of kind found in anc.-Roman tombs & conjectured to be tear-bottles. [f. *lacrimare* see prec. + -ORY]

lach'rymōse (-k-), a. Tearful, given to weeping. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *lacrimosus* (*lacrima* tear, -OSE¹)]

lacin'iate, -ätéd, aa. (bot., zool.). Cut into deep irregular segments, slashed, jagged, fringed. [f. l. *lacinia* lappet, -ATE²]

lack, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Deficiency, want, need, of (no ~, plenty of; for ~, owing to want or absence of). 2. vb. Be wanting (only in part. forms as *money was ~ing*, *is ~ing in courage*); be without, not have, be deficient in; ~'land, (person) having no land; ~'lustre, (of eye etc.) dull. [cf. MLG *lak*, MDu. *lac*, deficiency, blame, fault]

lackadais'ical (-z-), a. Languishing, affected, given to airs & graces, feebly sentimental. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. arch. *lackaday*, -daisy, int. (LACK) + -ICAL]

lacker. See LACQUER.

lack'ey, **lack'uey** (-k), n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. 1. Footman, man-servant (usu. liveried); obsequious person, parasite. 2. v.t. Dance attendance on, behave servilely to. [f. F *laquais* (in OF also *alacays* pl.), etym. dub.]

lackón'ic, a. Brief, concise, sententious; given to such speech or style. Hence ~ICALLY adv., ~ICISM(2) n. [f. Gk *lakónikos* (*Lakón* Spartan, -IC)]

lack'onism, n. Brevity of speech; short pithy saying. [f. Gk *lakónismos* (*lakónieō* behave like Spartan or *Lakón*, -ISM)]

lack'uer (-ker), **lack'er**, n., & v.t. 1. Gold-coloured varnish of shellac dissolved in alcohol used esp. as coating for brass; kinds of resinous varnish (esp. *Japanese* ~) taking hard polish & used for wood etc., articles so coated. 2. v.t. Coat with ~. [f. obs. F *lacre* sealing-wax perh. f. Port. *laca* LAC¹]

lackuey. See LACKEY.

lacrim, **lacrym**-. See lachrym-.

lacrosse (lahkraws', -s), n. N.-Amer. game like hockey, but with ball driven by & carried in crossbar. [F *la* the + CROSS]

lactü'tion, n. Suckling; secreting of milk. [f. L *lactare* suckle (*lac* -tis milk) + -TION]

lact'eal, a. & n. 1. Of milk; conveying chyle or other milky fluid. 2. n. pl. Vessels of mesentery doing this. [f. L *lacteus* (*lac* see prec.) + -AL]

lactēs'cence, n., **lactēs'cent**, a. Milky (appearance); (yielding) milky juice. [f. L *lactescere* (*lactere* be milky, see prec.), -ENCE, -ENT]

lact'ic, a. (chem.). Of milk; ~ic acid, formed in sour milk, whence ~ATE¹ (3) n. [f. L *lac* -tis milk + -IC]

lactiferous, a. Yielding milk or milky fluid. [f. L *lactifer* (prec., -FEROUS)]

lact'o-, comb. form (-t-, -o-) of L as prec.; ~pro'tein, albuminous constituent of milk; ~METER (-ōm'), ~SCOPE, instruments for testing purity of milk.

lactōse', n. Milk sugar, less sweet than cane sugar. [as prec. + -OSE²]

lacūn'a, n. (pl. ~ae, ~as). Hiatus, blank, missing portion, empty part; cavity in bone, tissue, etc. Hence ~AL, ~AR, ~ARY, ~OSE¹, aa. [L (*lacus* LAKE²)]

lacūs'trine, a. Of, dwelling or growing in, lake(s); ~age, of LAKE¹-dwellings. [f. L *lacus* -ūs LAKE¹ on anal. of L *palustr-* f. *palus* -utis marsh + -INE¹]

lacy. See LACE¹.

lād, n. Boy, youth, young fellow; fellow. Hence ~d'ie (-r'), n. [ME *ladde*; earlier sense *serving-man*; perh. orig. p.p. of LEAD²]

lādd'er, n., & v.i. Set of steps (called *rungs*) inserted usu. in two uprights of wood or metal or in two cords to serve as (usu. portable) means of ascending building etc.; || (transf.) vertical flaw in stocking caused by stitch(es) becoming undone through several rows (v.i., develop ~), whence ~PROOF² a.; (fig.) means of rising in the world or attaining object (*kick down ~*, abandon friends or occupation that have helped one to rise); ~dredge, with buckets carried round on ~-like chain; ~stitch, crossbar stitch in embroidery. [OE *ladder*, cf. G *leiter* cogn. w. LEAN² & Gk *klímaz* CLEMAX]

lāde, v.t. (p.p. ~ed). Put cargo on board (ship); ship (goods) as cargo (MIL¹ of *lading*), whence **lād'ing** (3) n.; (p.p., of vehicle, beast of burden, person, tree, branch, table, etc.) loaded (*with*); (p.p.) painfully burdened with sin, sorrow, etc. [com.-Teut.; OE *laden*, cf. Du. & G *laden*]

la-di-da' (lah-, -ah), a. & n. (Person given to) swagger or pretension in manners & pronunciation; pretentious in this way. [imit. of pronunciation used]

Ladin' (-ēn), n. KHAISO-ROMANCO of the Engadine. [f. It. *Ladino* f. L *Latinus*]

lādle, n., & v.t. 1. Large spoon with cup bowl & long handle for transferring liquids; hence ~FUL(2) (-dīfōb) n. 2. v.t. Transfer (liquid) with ~ from one

receptacle to another. [OE *lædel* f. *lædan* LADE in obs. sense to bale + *-LE*(1)]
lād'y, n. 1. Ruling woman (poet. exc. in *of the manor, our sovereign* ~). 2. Woman to whom man is devoted, mistress, love. 3. *Our L~*, Virgin Mary. 4. Woman belonging to, or fitted by manners, habits, & sentiments, for, the upper classes (corresp. to GENTLEMAN; || ~ of *bedchamber*, ~-in-waiting, ~ attending sovereign; FINE* ~). 5. (Courteously for) woman (as voc., only poet. or vulg. in sing., but usu. form of address in pl.). 6. || (Title used as less formal prefix for) Marchioness, Countess, Viscountess, Baroness, (also prefixed to Christian name of) daughter of duke, marquis, or earl, (or to husband's Christian name of) wife of holder of courtesy title *lord* William etc., (or to surname of) wife of baronet or knight, (also in the compound title) *L~ Major*ess, wife of Lord Mayor. 7. *My* ~, form of address used chiefly by servants etc. to holders of title ~; *my dear* or *good* ~ (address in ord. use). 8. Wife (arch. or vulg., exc. of those who hold the title ~); *your good* ~, your wife. 9. *Ladies & gentlemen* (voc. in addressing company of both sexes). 10. (With *clerk, doctor, president, dog*, etc.) female; || (with *cook, parlourmaid, help*, etc.) claiming to be treated as ~. 11. *Ladies* (as sing. n.), women's public lavatory etc.; *Ladies' chain*, figure in quadrille; *Ladies' gallery*, in House of Commons reserved for ladies. 12. ~ of EASY virtue; *painted* ~, kind of butterfly. 13. *L~altar* (in *L~chapel*); ~bird, coleopterous insect, usu. reddish-brown with black spots; *L~Bountiful*, ~ playing the part of Providence in a village etc. (character in Farquhar's *Beaux's Stratagem*); ~chair, made by two persons' interlaced hands to carry wounded man etc.; *L~chapel*, in large church usu. east of high altar & dedicated to Virgin; ~clock, -cove, ~bird; *L~Day*, Feast of the Annunciation, 25th March, || one of the quarter-days; ~fern, tall slender kind; || ~help, ~ employed as domestic; ~killer, man devoting himself to making conquests of ladies; ~love, sweetheart; *L~s BND*¹ straw; ~s companion, roll containing cottons etc.; || *L~s cushion*, mossy saxifrage; || *L~s finger*, kidney vetch; *L~s laces*, kind of striped grass; ~smaid, in charge of ~s toilet; ~s man, *ladies' man*, (fond of female society); *L~s mantle*, rosaceous herb; *L~smock*, cuckoo-flower; *L~s slipper*, orchidaceous wild & garden plant with usu. yellow bag- or slipper-shaped flowers, calceolaria; *L~s treasure*, kind of orchis. Hence ~ROOD n. [OE *læstige* (*lād* LOAR, *dig* knead cf. *deven*); in ~altar, -bird, -chapel, -clock, -cove, -day, -smock, ~ is old genit.-(Our) *lady's*]

lād'yfȳ, -ifȳ, v.t. Make lady of; call lady; (p.p.) having the airs of a fine lady. [-FR] **lād'ylike**, a. With manners etc. of a lady; (of man) effeminate; befitting a lady. [-LIKE]

lād'yship, n. Being a lady; *her, your, ~, their* ~s, she, you, they (in respectful mention of or address to titular lady). [-SHIP]

l(a)evo- (læv'o), comb. form of *L laevus* left, esp. in terms concerned with chem. property of causing plane of polarized light ray to rotate to left (opp. DEXTRO-); so ~gīr'ous, ~rot'atory, of substances having this; ~com'pound, chemical compound having it.

l(a)ev'ulose (læv-), n. (chem.). Laevorotatory sugar of fruit & honey, fruit-sugar. [proc., -UL-, -OSE²]

lāg¹, v.i. (-gg-), & n. 1. Go too slow, not keep pace, fall behind (often *behind* adv. & prep.). 2. n. (phys.). (Amount of) retardation in current or movement (~ of tide, interval by which it falls behind mean time in 1st & 3rd quarters of moon, cf. PRIMING²). Hence ~g'ARD n. & a., ~g'ER¹ n., ~g'ING² a., (-g-). [n. f. vb; vb perh. f. obs. n. = hindmost person, which is perh. corruption of *last* in children's games (*fog, seg*, ~, = 1st, 2nd, last, in diall.)]

lāg², v.t. (-gg-), & n. (sl.). 1. Send to penal servitude; apprehend, arrest. 2. n. Convict. [?]

lāg³, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. (Piece of the) non-conducting cover of boiler etc. 2. v.t. Case with ~s, whence ~g'ING²(3) (-g-) n. [f. ON *logg* barrel-rim]

lāg'an, n. (legal). Goods or wreckage lying on bed of sea. [OF, perh. f. Teut. *lie²*, *lay²*]

la'ger (beer) (lahg-), n. Light kind of (orig. German) beer. [f. G *lager-bier* (*lager* store)]

lagōon', -une (-ōon), n. Stretch of salt water parted from sea by low sand-bank; enclosed water of atoll. [F (-une), f. It. & Sp. *laguna* f. L *LACUNA*]

lā'ic, a. & n. Non-clerical(al), lay(man), secular, temporal. So ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *laikos* (laos people, -IO)]

lā'iciz(e), v.t. Make lay; commit (school etc.), throw open (office), to laymen. Hence ~A'TION n. [prec., -IZ]

laid. See *LAY²*.

lain. See *LIE²*.

lair, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Place where animals lie down; || shed or enclosure for cattle on way to market, whence ~AGE(1, 3) n.; wild beast's lying-place. 2. vb. Go to, rest or place in, ~. [OE *leger* bed, also Du., cf. G *lager*; cogn. w. *LIE²*]

|| laird, n. (Sc.). Landed proprietor in Scotland. Hence ~SHIP n. [Sc. form of *lord* w. changed sense]

Lā'is, n. Accomplished or beautiful courtesan. [name of two celebrated Greek hetærae]

laissez-aller (lās'ā āl'ā), *n.* Unconstrained freedom, absence of constraint. [F, =let go]

laissez-faire (-sā-), *n.* Government abstention from interference with individual action esp. in commerce. [F, =let act]

lai'ty, *n.* Being a layman; laymen; unprofessional people, those outside any particular learned profession. [f. F *lai* LAY + -TY]

lake¹, *n.* Large body of water entirely surrounded by land; *the Great L*~, Atlantic ocean; *the Great L*~, Superior, Huron, Michigan, Erie, & Ontario, forming boundary of U.S. & Canada; ~country, ~land, *the L*~, region of English ~s in Westmorland, Cumberland, & Lancs.; ~dweller, prehistoric inhabitant of ~ dwelling, built on piles driven into bed of ~; ~poets, Coleridge, Southey, & Wordsworth, who lived in ~land. Hence ~LESS *a.*, ~LET *n.*, (-kl-). [f. OF *lac* f. L *lacus*]

lake², *n.* Pigment, orig. made from lac, now formed by dye & mordant. [var. of LAC¹]

lakh. See LAC².

lallā'tion, *n.* LAMBDAISM. [f. L *lallare* sing lullaby + -ATION]

lām, *v.t. & i.* (sl.; -mm-). Thrash, hit (t., & i. with *into*) hard with cane etc. [perh. cogn. w. LAMB]

la'ma¹ (lah-), *n.* Tibetan or Mongolian Buddhist monk; *Dalai* (pr. dē'lī) L~, (obs.) *Grand L*~, head of ~ist church & ruler of Tibet. Hence ~ISM *n.*, ~IST *n. & a.* [Tibetan *lama* superior]

lama². See LAMMA.

Lamarck'ian, *a. & n.* (Follower) of Lamarck or his theory of organic evolution by inheritable modifications produced in the individual by habit etc. [*Lamarck*, F botanist & zoologist, d. 1829, + -IAN]

lama'serý (-mah-), *n.* Monastery of lamas. [f. F *lamaserie* irreg. f. LAMA¹]

lāmb (-m), *n. & v.t. & i.* 1. Young of sheep (*as well be hanged for a sheep as for a* ~, sin boldly, go the whole hog; *like a* ~, unresistingly; *wolf, fox, in* ~'s skin, hypocrite); its flesh as food; young member of church flock; innocent, weak, or dear person; *The L*~ (of God), Christ; ~'s fry, product of ~'s castration; ~'s skin, with wool on, or as leather; ~'s tails, || hazel catkins; ~'s wool, used in hosiery; hence ~HOOD (-mh-), ~KIN (-mk-), *nn.*, ~LIKE (-ml-) *a.* 2. *v.b.* (Pass.; of ~s) be brought forth; bring forth ~, year; tend (~ing ewes), whence ~ER¹ (-mer) *n.* [OE; com.-Teut., cf. Du. *lam*, G *lamm*]

lāmbāste, *v.t.* (dial.). Thrash, beat. [perh. = LAM + BASTE²]

lāmb'da, *n.* Greek letter L (Λ λ); ~moth, with ~ on wings. [Gk; also *labda*]

lāmb'dacism, *n.* Pronunciation of *ras* l. [prec., -ISM]

lāmb'doid, **lāmbdoid'al**, *aa.* Lambda-shaped (~ *suture*, connecting two parietal bones with occipital). [f. F *lambdoide* f. Gk *lambdoeidēs* (LAMBDA, -OID) + -AL]

lām'b'ient, *a.* (Of flame or light) playing on surface without burning it, with soft radiance; (of eyes, sky, etc.) softly radiant; (of wit etc.) gently brilliant. Hence ~ENOY *n.*, ~ENTLY² *adv.* [f. L *lambere* lick, -ENT]

Lām'béth, *n.* (Used for) Archbishop of Canterbury's palace at ~, the Archbishop as representing the Church, etc.

lām'bréquin (-kin), *n.* Short piece of drapery over top of door or window, or hung from mantelpiece. [F, etym. dub.; orig. scarf worn over helmet]

lāme, *a. & v.t.* 1. Crippled by injury or defect in a limb, esp. foot or leg, limping or unable to walk, (of person, limb, steps, etc.; ~ of or in a leg etc.); (of argument, story, excuse) imperfect, unsatisfactory; (of metre) halting; ~ DUCK¹; hence **lām'ish** (2) *a.*, ~LY² (-ml-) *adv.*, ~NESS (-mn-) *n.* 2. *v.t.* Make ~, cripple. [lit. & fig.]. [OE *lama*, cf. Du. *lam*, G *lahm*]

lāmé (lahmā'), *a. & n.* (Material) with gold or silver thread inwoven [F]

lāmél'l'a, *n.* (pl. ~ae). Thin plate, scale, layer, or film, esp. of bone or tissue. Hence ~AR¹, **lām'ellate**², ~ated, ~OSE¹, *aa.*, ~I-comb. form. [L dim. of LAMINA]

lāmēnt', *n. & v.t. & i.* 1. Passionate expression of grief; elegy, dirge. 2. *v.b.* Express or feel grief for or about, be distressed at, regret, (also intr. with *for* or *over*, or *abs.*); (p.p.) mourned for (esp. conventionally of the dead, as *the late* ~ed-). [f. L *n. lamentum* & *v.b. lamentari*] **lām'entable**, *a.* Mournful (arch.); (of events, fate, condition, character, etc.) deplorable, regrettable. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [f. L *lamentabilis* (prec., -ABLE)]

lāmēntā'tion, *n.* Lamenting, lament; *L*~s (of *Jeremiah*), O.T. book (abbr. *Lm.*). [f. L *lamentatio* (LAMENT, -ATION)]

lām'ia, *n.* Monster in woman's shape preying on human beings & sucking children's blood. [L f. Gk]

lām'in'a, *n.* (pl. ~ae). Thin plate, scale, layer, or flake, of metal, bone, membrane, stratified rock, vegetable tissue, etc. Hence ~AR¹, ~OSE¹, *aa.*, ~I-comb. form. [L]

lām'ināte, *v.t. & i.* Beat or roll (metal) into thin plates; split (t. & i.) into layers or leaves; overlay with metal plates; manufacture by placing layer on layer. Hence or cogn. ~ATE² (-at) *a.*, ~ATION *n.* [prec. + -ATE²]

Lāman'as, *n.* First of August, formerly observed as harvest festival (*latter* ~, non-existent date, day that will never come, cf. Greek CALEND.). [OE *lāmasas* (LOAF², MAKE²)]

lāmmergeyer (-gt-), *n.* Bearded Vulture, largest European bird of prey. [f. G

lāmmergeier (*lāmmes* lambs, *geier* vulture)

lāmp, n., & v.t. & t. 1. Vessel with oil & wick for giving light; glass vessel enclosing candle, gas-jet, incandescent wire, or other illuminant (*smell of the ~*, betray nocturnal study, be laborious in style etc.; with allusion to ancient-Greek torch-race, *pass, hand, on the ~*, do one's part in advancing knowledge, a cause, etc.); SAFETY ~; SPIRIT ~; (fig.) sun, moon, star; source of spiritual or intellectual light, hope, etc.; ~black, pigment made from soot; ~chimney, glass cylinder making draught for ~flame; ~light, given by ~ or ~s; ~lighter, man who lights street ~s (*like a ~lighter*, with speed); ~post, usu. of iron supporting street ~; hence ~LESS a. 2. vb. Shine; supply with ~s; illuminate; * (sl.) look at. [f. F *lampe* f. L f. Gk *lampas* (*lampō* shine)]

lām'pas¹, n. Horse-disease with swelling in roof of mouth. [F, earlier=disease producing thirst, etym. dub.]

lām'pas², n. Kind of flowered silk orig. from China. [F, etym. dub.]

lām'pion, n. Pot of usu. coloured glass with oil & wick used in illuminations. [F, f. It. *lampione* (*lampa* LAMP. -oon)]

lāmpōon¹, n., & v.t. 1. Virulent or scurrilous piece of satire; hence ~ist (1) n. 2. v.t. Write ~ or ~s against, whence ~er¹ n. [f. F *lampon* perh. f. *lampons* let us drink]

lām'prey, n. (pl. ~s). Eel-like pseudo-fish with sucker mouth, pouch gills, & seven spiracles on each side, & fistula on top, of head. [f. OF *lamproie* f. med. L *lampreda* perh. = *lampetra* taken as f. L *lambere* lick, *petra* stone w. ref. to use of sucker]

Lāncās'trian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Lancashire or Lancaster: (adherent) of family descended from John of Gaunt Duke of Lancaster, or of the Red-rose party fighting for it in Wars of the Roses. [Lancaster, -ian]

lance¹ (-ah-), n. Weapon with long wooden shaft & pointed steel head used by horseman in charging; similar implement for spearing fish or killing harpooned whale; (pl., w. numbers)=lancers; ~corporal (& sl., ~jack), N.C.O. below corporal; ~sergeant, corporal acting as sergeant; ~fish, launce; ~snake, venomous Amer. kind; ~wood, tough elastic W.-Ind. kind used for carriage-shafts, fishing-rods, etc. [F, f. L *lancea*; ~corporal on anal. of obs. *lancepedade* f. It. *lancia spezzata* broken lance, i.e. veteran]

lance² (-ah-), v.t. Fling, launch, (poet.); (Surg.) prick or cut open with lancet; pierce with lance. (poet. sense f. OF *lancier* f. L *lanceare* (*lancea* LANCE¹); other senses f. prec.]

lance'lēt (-ahnsl-), n. A fish, the lowest true vertebrate. [LANCE¹, -lēt]

lāncēolate, a. Shaped like spear-head,

tapering to each end. [f. L *lanceolatus* (*lanceola* dim. of *lancea* lance, -ate²)]

lā'ncer (-ah-), n. Soldier of cavalry regiment orig. armed with lances; (pl.) kind of quadrille, music for it. [f. F *lancier* (LANCE¹, -ier)]

lā'ncet (-ah-), n. 1. Surgical instrument usu. with two edges & point for bleeding or lancing. 2. (Also ~arch, light, window, etc.) arch or window with pointed head, whence ~ed² a. [f. OF *lancette* (LANCE¹, -ette)]

lā'ncinating (lah-), a. (Of pain) acute, shooting. [part. of rare *lancinate* f. L *lancinare* rend]

lānd¹, n. 1. Solid part of earth's surface (opp. sea, water; travel by ~; how the ~ lies, what is the state of affairs); ground, soil, expanse of country; country, nation, State, (~ of promise, Canaan; ~ of CAKE¹; ~ of the leal, heaven; ~ of the living, present life); landed property, (pl.) estates; (S. Afr.) ground fenced off for tillage; strip of plough or pasture ~ parted from others by water furrows. 2. Any of the divisions between the rifling-grooves in guns. 3. ~agent, ~agency, || steward(ship) of the estate, agent, agency, for sale etc. of estates; ~bank, || issuing notes on security of landed property; ~breeze, blowing seaward from ~; ~carriage, transport by ~; ~crab, kinds that live on ~ but breed in sea; ~fall (Naut.), approach to ~ esp. for first time on voyage (good, bad, ~fall, according, not according, to calculation); ~force(s), military, not naval; || ~girl (doing farmwork, esp. in wartime); ~grabber, (esp.) man who takes Irish farm after eviction of tenant; ~holder, proprietor or (usu.) tenant of ~; ~hunger, ~hungry, eagerness to acquire ~; || ~jobber, speculator in ~; ~lady, woman keeping inn, boarding-house, or lodgings, also woman having tenants; ~law (usu. pl.), law(s) of landed property; L League, Irish association 1879-81 for reducing rents, introducing peasant-proprietorship, etc.; ~locked, almost or quite enclosed by ~; ~lord, person of whom another holds any tenement (opp. tenant), keeper of inn, lodgings, etc.; ~lubber (Naut.), person ignorant of the sea & ships; ~mark, object marking boundary of country, estate, etc., conspicuous object in district etc., object or event or change marking stage in process or turning-point in history; ~mine, explosive mine laid in or on ground, parachute mine; ~owner, owner of ~; ~rail, corn-crake; L ~s-End, western point of Cornwall (see JOHN-o'-Groat's); ~service, military; ~shark, one who lives by preying on seamen ashore; ~sick (Naut.), of ship, impeded in movement by nearness of ~; ~slide (orig. U.S.), overwhelming majority of votes for one side, esp. in an election; || ~slip, sliding down of mass

of ~ on cliff or mountain; ~s'man, non-sailor; ~swell, roll of water near shore; ~tax, assessed on landed property; ~tie, rod, beam, or piece of masonry, securing or supporting wall etc. by connecting some part of it with the ground; ~wind, = ~breeze. Hence ~LESS a., ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS adv. [com.-Tent.; OE, Du., G, Sw., & Da., land]

lând², v.t. & i. Set or go ashore (p.p. = having come ashore, see -ED²(2), esp. in comb. as *newly~ed*, disembark (at); set down from vehicle; bring to, reach or find oneself in, a certain place, stage, or position; deal (person blow etc.); ~ed him one in the eye; bring (fish) to land, (fig.) win (prize etc.); (trans. of jockey, intr. of horse) bring or come in (of etc., or abs. = first); alight after jump etc. [f. prec.]

lândau, n. Four-wheeled carriage with top of which front & back halves can be independently raised & lowered. [L~ in Germany]

lândaulët(te)', n. Coupé with landau top. [-LET]

lând'dröst, n. (hist.). Magistrate in S. Africa. [Du., = sheriff]

lând'déd, a. Possessed of land (*the ~ interest*, owners & holders of land); consisting of land (~ *estate, property*). [LAND¹ + -ED²]

lând'gräve, n. (fem. -*grävine*, pr. -*avën*). Title of certain German potentates. [f. MHG *lantgräve* (LAND¹, G *graf* count)]

lând'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: (also ~*place*) place for disembarking; platform between two flights of stairs; ~*net*, for landing large fish when hooked; ~*stage*, platform, often floating, on which passengers & goods are disembarked. [-ING¹]

lând'lördism, n. System by which land is owned by landlords receiving fixed rents from tenants (esp. depreciatively of Irish system); advocacy of this. [-ISM]

lândöc'racý, n. (Joc.). The landed class. So **lând'ocrat** n. [-CRACÝ]

lând'scäpe (or -*ns*), n. (Picture representing, art reproducing, or actual piece of) inland scenery; || ~*gardening*, -*gardener*, laying, layer, out of grounds in imitation of natural scenery; ~*marble*, kind with treelike markings; ~*painter*, who paints ~s, also **lând'scäpist**(1) n. [f. Du. *land-schap* (LAND¹, -SHIP)]

lând'sturm (lah-, -oorm), n. (Hist., in Germany etc.) general levy in war, of men outside army, navy, & Landwehr. [G]

lând'tag (lah-, -ahy), n. Legislative body, diet, of a German State. [G]

Land'wehr (lah-, -vär), n. (In Germany etc.) militia serving continuously only during war. [G]

lâne, n. Narrow road usu. between hedges (*it is a long ~ that has no turning*, change is sure to come), narrow street; passage

made or left between rows of persons; course prescribed for ocean steamers; red ~, throat; || *the L~*, Drury L~ (theatre). [OE; cf. OFris. *lana*, Du. *laan*] **lång'rage**, -*idge*, (-ngg-), n. Case-shot with irregular pieces of iron formerly used to damage rigging. [?]

|| **lång syne**, adv. & u. (In) the old days. [Sc., = long since]

lång'uage (-nggw-), n. A vocabulary & way of using it prevalent in one or more countries (DEAD ~); (transf.) method of expression (*finger~*, talk by conventional signs with fingers; ~ *of flowers*, symbolical meanings attached to various kinds); words & their use; faculty of speech; person's style of expressing himself (*bad ~*, or || *vulg.* ~, oaths & abusive talk; *strong ~*, expressing vehement feelings); professional or sectional vocabulary; literary style, wording; ~*master*, teacher of (usu. mod. foreign) ~ or ~s. [f. F *langage* (L *lingua* tongue, -AGE)]

langue d'oc, **langue d'oïl**, nn. (see Ap.). Medieval French as spoken south, north, of the Loire, the latter the staple of modern French. [OF, f. L *lingua* tongue, *de* of, *hoc* this, *hoc illud* this (is) that (*oc* & *oïl* being the respective forms for *yes*)]

lång'uid (-nggw-), a. Inert, lacking vigour, indisposed to exertion, spiritless, apathetic, not vivid, dull, uninteresting, sluggish, slow-moving, faint, weak. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *languidus* (foll., -ID¹)]

lång'uish (-nggw-), v.i. Grow or be feeble, lose or lack vitality; live under enfeebling or depressing conditions; grow slack, lose intensity; droop, pine (*for*); put on languid look, affect sentimental tenderness, whence ~ingly² adv. Hence ~MENT n. [f. F *languir* (-ISH²) f. L *languere* cf. LAXUS]

lång'uor (-ngger), n. Faintness, fatigue; lassitude, inertia, want of alertness; soft or tender mood or effect; slackness, dullness, drooping state; (of sky etc.) oppressive stillness. So ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv., (-nggo-). [OF, f. L *languorem* nom. -or (prec., -OR²)]

langur (långgöw-), n. (Kinds of) common Indian long-tailed monkey. [Hind.]

län'iary, a. & n. (Tooth) adapted for tearing, canine. [f. L *lanarius* (*lanius* butcher f. *laniare* tear, -ARY¹)]

länif'erous, -i'gerous, aa. Wool-bearing. [f. L (-*fer*, -*ger*) f. *lana* wool, -FEROUS, -GEROUS]

länk, a. Shrunken, spare; tall & lean; (of grass etc.) long & flaccid; (of hair) straight & limp, not wavy. [OE *lanc*; excl. E; perh. cogn. w. G *lenken* to bend]

länk'jý, a. Ungracefully lean & long or tall (of limbs, person). Hence ~INESS n. [-r²]

länn'er, **länn'erët**, nn. Kind of falcon, female of it, (-er); (-cf) male of it. [f. F *lancier* prob. f. OF *lanier* cowardly]

lān'olin, n. Extract from sheep's wool as basis of ointments. [f. L *lana* wool + -OL(2) + -IN]

lāns'quenēt (-kē-), n. Card-game of German origin. [F. f. G. *landsnecht* 17th-c. mercenary (lit., servant of country)]

lān'tern, n. Transparent case protecting flame of candle etc. (BULL'S-eye, CHINESE, DARK', MAGIC, ~); || *parish* ~, the moon; = magic ~, whence ~IST(3) n.; light-chamber of lighthouse; erection on top of dome or room with glazed sides to admit light; luminous proboscis of ~-fly; ~ *jaws*, long & thin, giving hollow look to face, whence ~-JAWED² a. [f. F *lanterne* f. L *lanterna* perh. f. Gk *lampēr* (lampō shine) w. assim. to L *lucerna*]

lān'thanum, n. (chem.). Rare element belonging to aluminium group, discovered 1839-41. [f. Gk *lanthanō* lurk (w. ref. to lateness of discovery) + -UM]

|| **lān'thorn** (-tern), n. Lantern. [pop. assim. of *lantern* to *horn*, common former material]

lān'yard, n. (naut.). Short rope or line attached to something to secure it or serve as handle. [f. F *lanière*, w. assim. to *yard*]

Lāodicē'an, a. & n. (Person) lukewarm esp. in religion or politics. [Rev. iii. 15, 16]

lāp¹, n. Hanging part or flap of garment, saddle, etc.; lobe of ear; front part of skirt held up to contain something; waist to knees of one sitting, with dress, as place on which child is nursed or object held (in *Fortune's* ~, in the ~ of *luxury*, etc.), whence ~FUL(2) n.; hollow among hills; ~-dog, small pet dog; ~stone, shoemaker's stone held in ~ to beat leather on. [OE *lappa*, cf. G *lappen*]

lāp², v.t. & i. (-pp-). Coll. fold, wrap, (garment etc. about, round, advv. or prepp.); enfold, swathe, in wraps etc.; (of influences etc.) surround, encircle, (often round), enfold caressingly (esp. pass., ~ped in *luxury*); make (valve, roof-slate, etc.) overlap; project over something (also ~ over adv. = overlap intr.); (Racing) pass (competitor) by one or more laps. [prob. f. prec.]

lāp³, n. Amount of overlapping, overlapping part (half~, joining of rails, shafts, etc., by halving thickness of each at end); layer or sheet (of cotton etc. being made) wound on roller; single turn of rope, silk, thread, etc., round drum or reel; one circuit of race-track; ~-joint, = half~ above; ~-streak, clinker-built boat. [f. prec.]

lāp⁴, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Rotating disk for polishing gem or metal. 2. v.t. Polish with ~. [perh. f. prec.]

lāp⁵, v.i. & t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Take up liquid, drink (up liquid), by scooping with tongue; consume (liquid) greedily (usu. up or down); (of water) move, beat upon (shore), with sound of ~ping. 2. n. Liquid

food for dogs; (sl.) weak beverage, also alcoholic liquor; single act of ~ping, amount taken up by it; sound of wavelets on beach etc. [OE *lapiān* cf. OHG *laffen*; cf. G *löffel* spoon, L *lambere*, Gk *lapō*, lick]

lāpar(o)-, comb. form of Gk *lapara* flank, in anat. & surg. terms; *lap'arocoele*, lumbar hernia; ~*ec'tomy*, excision of part of intestine at side; ~*ot'omy*, cutting of abdominal walls.

lapél', n. Part of coat-breast folded back. Hence ~LED² (-ld') a. [LAP¹, -EL]

lāp'icide, n. Cutter of stones or inscriptions on stone. [f. L *lapicida* for *lapidicida* (lapis -idis stone + caedere cut, kill, cf. -CIDE)]

lāp'idary, a. & n. 1. Concerned with stones (esp. ~ bee, building in stone walls etc.); engraved on stone, (of style) suitable for inscriptions, monumental. 2. n. Cutter, polisher, or engraver, of gems. [f. L *lapidarius* (lapis -idis stone, -ARY²)]

lāp'idāte, v.t. Stone, stone to death. So ~*'TION* n. [f. L *lapidare* (prec.), -ATE²]

lapid'ify, v.t. Make into stone. Hence ~FICA'TION n. [f. F *lapidifier* f. mod. L *lapidificare* (prec., -FY)]

lāp'is lāz'ūli, n. A silicate containing sulphur; bright blue pigment from it; its colour. [L = stone of AZURE]

Lāpp, n. & a. 1. One of dwarfish race of northern Scandinavia; (also ~ISH¹ n.) their language; *Lāp'land*, their country, whence *Lāp'lander*¹ (4) n. 2. adj. (Also ~ISH¹ a.) of the ~s or their language. [f. Sw. *Lapp*, perh. term of contempt, cf. MHG *lappe* simpleton]

lāpp'ēt, n. Flap, fold, loose or overlapping piece of garment, flesh, membrane, etc.; lobe of ear etc.; = *lapel*; streamer of lady's head-dress. Hence ~ED² a. [LAP¹ + -ET¹]

Lappōn'ian, a. & n. = LAPP. [f. mod. L *Lappo-onis* + -IAN]

lāpse¹, n. Slip of memory, tongue, or pen, slight mistake; weak or careless deviation from right, moral slip; falling away from faith or into heresy; decline to lower state; termination of right or privilege through disuse; (of water) gentle flow; passage or interval of time; ~ *rate* (Meteor.), rate of fall of temperature with height. [f. L *lapeus* -ūs (labi laps-glide)]

lāpse², v.i. Fail to maintain position or state for want of effort or vigour; fall back or away (often into inferior or previous state); (of benefice, estate, right, etc.) fall in, pass away, become void, revert to someone, by failure of conditions, heirs, etc.; glide, flow, subside, pass away; (p.p.) that has lapsed, see -ED²(2). [f. L *lapsare* frequent. (prec.)]

lāp'sue, n. (pl. -ūs). Slip (usu. in ~ *ling'uae*, p.p. -gūe, of the tongue, ~ *coll'ant* of the pen). [L]

Lapūt'an, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Laputa; chimerical, visionary, absurd. [*Lapula* in *Gulliver's Travels* + **AN**]

lāp'wing, n. Bird of plover family, peewit. [OE *hlēapwince* (*hlēapōn* LEAP¹, WINK, w. ref. to manner of flight) assim. to LAP, WING]

lār, n. 1. (pl. *lār'es*, pr. -ēz). Ancient-Roman household deity (usu. pl.; *Lares*, *Lares & Penates*, the home). 2. (pl. ~s, pr. -z). White-handed Burmese gibbon. [L.]

|| **lār'b'oard** (-berd), n. & a. (naut.). (Older term now replaced, to save confusion with *starboard*, by) PORT⁵. [ME *lade*, *lathe*, *borde*; *lade* (etym. dub.) changed to *lar*- by assim. to STARBOARD]

lār'cēn'y, n. (Law) felonious taking away of another's personal goods with intent to convert them to one's own use (*petty* ~y, formerly, of property below value of 12d.); theft. Hence ~ER¹, ~IST(1), nn., ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv. [f. F *larcin* f. L *latrocinium* (*latro* robber) + -Y¹]

lār'ch, n. Bright-follaged coniferous tree yielding Venetian turpentine, tough timber, & bark used in tanning; its wood. [f. G *lärche* f. L *larix* -icis]

lār'd¹, n. Internal fat of abdomen of pigs esp. when rendered & clarified for use in cooking & pharmacy. Hence ~Y¹ a. [OF, =bacon, f. L *lardum* perh. cogn. w. Gk *larinos* fat, *laros* pleasant to taste]

lār'd², v.t. Insert strips of bacon in (meat etc.) before cooking (~ing-needle, -pin, instruments for doing this); garish (talk, writing) with metaphors, technical terms, foreign words, etc. [f. F *larder* (proc.)]

lār'd'aceous (-shus), a. (med.). Lardlike (esp. of degeneration of tissue or of patient suffering from it). [-ACEROUS]

lār'd'er, n. Room or closet for meat etc. [f. OF *lardier* f. med. L *lardarium* (LARD¹, -ARY¹)]

lār'd'on, **lār'dōon'**, n. Strip of bacon or pork used to lard meat. [F (-on); LARD¹, -OON]

lār'd'y-dār'd'y, a. (sl.). Affected, languidly foppish. [cf. LA-DI-DA]

lares. See LAR.

lārge, a., n., & adv. 1. (Arch.) liberal, generous, kindly, munificent, unprejudiced, (still in ~ views, charity, tolerance, ~-minded, whence ~-mind'edness n., ~-hearted, whence ~-heart'edness (-hāt- n., etc.); of wide range, comprehensive, (~ powers, discretion); (of artistic treatment) free, sweeping, broad; of considerable or relatively great magnitude (less colloq. than *big*, & without emotional implications of *great*; seldom used of persons except as in ~ of limb—with ~ limbs etc.); (with agent nouns) on a ~ scale (~ & small farmers); hence lār'gish¹ (2) a., ~NESS (-jn-) n., lār'gan¹ v.i. & t. (poet.). 2. n. (now only with at, in). At ~: at liberty, free; (of narration etc.) at full length, with details; as a body or whole

(popular with the people at ~); without particularizing, without definite aim, (*scalders imputations at ~*; gentleman at ~, gentleman attached to the court without special duties, person who has no occupation); in ~, on ~ scale (opp. in little). 3. adv. BY¹ & ~. [F, f. fem. of L *largus* copious]

lārge'ly (-j-l), adv. In adj. senses; also, to a great or preponderating extent (is ~ due to). [-LY²]

lār'gess(e), n. (arch.). Money or gifts freely bestowed esp. by great person on occasion of rejoicing; generous or plentiful bestowal. [F (-e), f. L *largus* copious, -ESS²]

lār'gō, adv. & n. (mus.). (Movement) in slow time with broad dignified treatment. [It., =broad]

lār'riat, n. Rope for picketing horses etc.; lasso. [f. Sp. *la reata* f. *reata* tie again (RE-, L *aptare* fit)]

lār'k¹, **lār'erock** (-vr; poet.), n. Kinds of small bird with sandy-brown plumage & long hind-claws, esp. the *sky-lark* (*Crested, Horned, Red, Shore, L*~, other kinds); rise with the ~, get up early; if the sky fall, we shall catch ~s (comfort for alarmists); ~-heel, ~spur, also Indian cress or garden nasturtium; ~spur, plant with spur-shaped calyx. [OE *lāferce*, cf. Du. *leuwerik*, G *lerche*, etym. dub.]

lār'k², n., & v.i. 1. Frolic, spree, amusing incident (*what a ~!*, how amusing!); hence ~Y¹ a. 2. v.i. Play tricks, frolic. [f. 1811; etym. dub.]

lār'rikin, n. (Usu. young) street rowdy, hooligan. [orig. Australian; etym. dub.]

lār'rrup, v.t. (colloq.). Thrash. [f.]

lār'rum, n. (Now rare for) ALARUM.

lār'v¹ [a, n. (pl. ~ae). Insect from time of leaving egg till transformation into pupa, grub; immature form of other animals that undergo some metamorphosis. Hence ~AL a., ~I- comb. form. [L, =ghost, mask]

lār'v'oscōpe (-ngg-), n. Mirror apparatus for examining larynx. [LARYNX, -SCOPE]

lār'v'gōt'om'y (-ngg-), n. Cutting into larynx from without, esp. to provide breathing-channel. [fol., -TOMY]

lār'rynx, n. Cavity in throat holding vocal cords. Hence lār'v'gēal, lār'v'gēo, aa., lār'v'ng'r'is n., (-j-), lār'v'go- comb. form, lār'v'gōl'og'y n., (-ngg-). [f. Gk *larux* -gōs]

Lās'car (or -ār), n. E.-Indian sailor. [perh. incorrect use of Hind. *lashkar* army]

lasciv'ious, a. Lustful, wanton; inciting to lust. Hence ~Y¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *lasciviosus* (L *lascivia* f. *lascivus* sportive, -oss¹)]

lāsh¹, v.i. & t. 1. Make sudden movement of limb, tail, etc.; pour, rush, vehemently, whence ~ings (-ins¹(2)) n. pl. (sl.),

plenty (of); strike violently at; hit or (of horse) kick out; break out into excess, strong language, etc. 2. Beat with lash, flog; (of waves) beat upon; castigate in words, rebuke, satirize; urge as with lashes (~ oneself into a fury, work up a rage); hence ~'ING¹(1) n. 3. Fasten (down, on, together, to something) with cord, twine, etc., whence ~'ING¹(4) n. [sense 1 perh. imit.; sense 2 f. foll.; sense 3 prob. separate wd, etym. dub.]

lash², n. Stroke with thong, whip, etc.; flexible part of whip (the ~, punishment of flogging); = EYE~, whence ~'LESS a.; goading influence, [f. prec. in sense 1]

lash'er, n. In vbl senses; || esp. (water rushing over) weir, pool below weir. [-ER¹]

lash'kar, n. Body of armed Indian tribesmen. [Hind., = army]

|| **lās'pring**, n. Young salmon. [perh. corruption of obs. *lar-pink* (obs. *lar*, OE *lcar*, see LAX³, cf. G *lachs*, salmon)]

lasque (lahsk), n. Flat, ill-formed, or veiny diamond. [perh. f. Pers. *lashk* piece]

läss, n. Girl (north., poet., etc.); sweetheart. Hence ~'ie [-Y³] n. [ME *lasce*, cf. MSw. *lōsk* (kona) unmarried (woman)]

lās'sitūde, n. Weariness, languor, disinclination to exert or interest oneself. [F, f. L *lassitudo* (lassus tired, -TUDE)]

lās'sō (or *lasōō*), n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. 1. Sp.-Amer. noosed rope of untanned hide for catching cattle etc. 2. v.t. Catch with ~. [f. Sp. *lazo* LACE¹]

last¹ (-ah-), n. Shoemaker's wooden model for shaping shoe etc. on (stick to one's ~, not meddle with things one does not understand, w. ref. to L prov. *ne sutor supra crepidam*). [OE *last* footstep, *lāst* boot, cf. G *leisten* last, *geleise* track, perh. cogn. w. L *lira* furrow]

last² (-ah-), n. Commercial measure of weight, capacity, or quantity, varying with place & goods (~ of wool, 12 sacks or 4,368 lb.; ~ of malt, 10 qrs or 80 bushels). [OE *hlæst*, cf. G *last*, load]

last³ (-ah-), a., n., & adv. 1. After all others, coming at the end, (the ~ two etc. = the ~ & ~ but one etc., the two etc. ~ being now usu. held incorrect in this sense; ~ but not least, ~ in order of mention or occurrence but not of importance); belonging to the end, esp. of life or the world (the four ~ things, death, judgement, heaven, hell; ~ day, Day of Judgement; on one's ~ LEGS); next before expressed or implied point of time, latest up to date, most recent, (in the ~ fortnight, ~ Christmas, ~ Tuesday or Tuesday ~; ~ evening or night or week or month or year used as adverbs, but not ~ morning, day, or afternoon; also ellipt. as n. for ~ letter, joke, baby, etc., as I said in my ~, have you heard ~s ~?, Mrs ~s ~); lowest, of least rank or estimation; only remaining (~ crust, resource); latest to be (was the ~

to be consulted); least likely, willing, suitable, etc. to or to be (should be the ~ to do it; is the ~ thing to try); conclusive, definitive, (hus said the ~ word on the matter); utmost, extreme, (is of the ~ importance). 2. n. ~-mentioned person or thing (he, this, which, ~); ~ day or moments, death, (the or his etc. ~); ~ performance of certain acts (breathe, look, one's ~); ~ mention (shall never hear the ~ of it); at ~, (also) at long ~, in the end, after much delay; to, till, the ~, to the end, esp. till death. 3. adv. After all others (often in comb., as ~-made, ~-mentioned); on the ~ occasion before the present (when did you see him ~?); (in enumerations) in the ~ place, finally, also ~'LY² adv. [OE *lastost* superl. of *læt* a., late adv.; cf. G *letzt*, & for dropping of -t- BEST]

last⁴ (-ah-), v.t. & t., & n. 1. Go on, remain unexhausted or adequate or alive; suffice (will ~ me eight months); ~ out, continue esp. in vigour or use at least as long as. 2. n. Staying power, stamina. [OE *læstan* fulfil, cf. G *leisten*]

last'ing (-ah-), a. & n. 1. Enduring, permanent (no ~ benefit); durable; hence ~'LY⁴ adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Kind of durable cloth. [-ING²]

lāt, n. Latvian unit of gold currency (par value about 10d.). [first syllable of *Lut-vija* Latvia]

Lātaki'a (-ēa), n. Kind of Turkish tobacco chiefly used in mixtures. [~ (anc. *Laodicea*), a Syrian port]

latch, n., & v.t. 1. Door or gate fastening made of small bar falling into catch & lifted by lever etc. from outside; small spring-lock of outer door catching when door is closed & worked by ~'key from outside (|| ~key vote, LODGER franchise as tested by possession of ~key); on the ~, fastened by ~ only. 2. v.t. Fasten with ~. [perh. f. OF *lache* LACE¹; or f. obs. *latch*, OE *laccan*, to grasp]

|| **latch'et**, n. (arch.). Thong for fastening shoes. [f. OF *lache* (LACE¹, -ET³)]

late¹, a. (comp. ~r, LATTER; superl. ~st, LAST²), & n. After the due or usual time (was ~ for dinner; it is too ~ to go; with agent nouns, as ~-comer = one who comes ~); backward in flowering, ripening, etc.; far on in day or night (~ dinner, in evening; ~ hours, after usual time for rising or going to bed), or in time (on Wednesday at ~st, then if not before); far on in a period, development, etc. (~ stained glass, ~ LATIN); no longer alive, no longer having specified status etc., that was recently so-&-so, (the ~ prime minister, dead or resigned; my ~ husband, residence); of recent date (the ~ floods, war; of ~ years, in the last few; also as n. in of ~, recently); || ~'ee, on letter posted after ordinary collection time. Hence **lāt'en** v.t. & f., ~'NESS (-tn-) n., **lāt'ish**¹

(2) a. & adv. [com.-Tent.; OE *læt*, cf. Du. *laat*, G *lass*, sluggish, cogn. w. L *lassus* tired]

late¹, adv. (r, ~st, LAST²). After proper time (*better ~ than never*), far on in time (*this happened ~ on*; *sooner or ~, early or ~, soon or ~*, some time or other); at or till late hour (*we sat ~*); (poet.) recently, lately, (*I sent thee ~ a rosy wreath*); formerly but not now (*his own room, ~ the chaplain's*); at late stage of development etc. (*truces remained as ~ as the Stuart times*); ~ in the day, (colloq.) at a late stage, esp. unreasonably ~ in the proceedings etc. [OE, f. *lat* see prec.]

lateen¹, n. ~ sail, triangular on long yard at angle of 45° to mast; (of ship etc.) so rigged. [f. F (*voile*) *latine* Latin (sail), named as common in Mediterranean]

late¹ly (-li-), adv. Not long ago, recently, in recent times. [OE *lættlice* (LATE¹, -like)]

lat¹ent, a. Hidden, concealed; existing but not developed or manifest; dormant; ~ heat. Hence **lat**¹ency n., ~ly² adv. [f. L *latere* be hidden, -ENT]

-later, suf. See -LATRY.

lat¹eral, a. & n. 1. Of, at, towards, from, the side, side-, (~ branch of family, descended from brother or sister of person in direct line). 2. n. Side part, member, or object, esp. ~ shoot or branch. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *lateralis* (latus -eris side, -AL)]

Lāt¹eran, n. & n. The ~, St John ~, cathedral church of St John ~ (*Sancti Joannis in -o*) in Rome; ~ Council, one of five general councils of Western Church there held. [f. L ~a, ~um, named f. ancient-Roman family of Plantii ~i]

lat¹erite, n. Red friable ferruginous surface clay much used for roadmaking in tropics. [f. L *later* brick + -ITE¹(2)]

lat¹ex, n. (bot.). Milky fluid of (esp. rubber) plant. [L, =liquid]

lath (-ah-), n. (pl. pr. -dzhz) & v.t. 1. Thin narrow strip of wood esp. for use as support for slates or plaster or as material for trellis or Venetian blind (*as thin as a ~*, of persons, whence **la**¹th² (-ah-) a.; ~ & plaster, material for interior wall-faces, ceilings, partitions, etc.). 2. v.t. Provide (wall, ceiling) with ~s, whence **la**¹th²ing¹(3) (-ah-) n. [ME *laththe*, cf. G *latte*, perh. cogn. w. G *laden* shop-counter; cf. also OE *lath*]

lāthe¹ (-dh), n. One of (now five) administrative districts of Kent. [OE *læth* estate]

lāthe² (-dh), n. (Also *turning-*~) machine for turning wood, metal, ivory, etc., by rotating article against tools used; (also *potter's* ~) machine with horizontal revolving disk for throwing & turning pottery; ~bearer, -carrier, -dog, appliance connecting object with ~ centres or holders; ~bed, lower framework of ~ with slot from end to end for adjustment.

[prob. cogn. w. Da. *lad* structure, frame, & LADE; or perh. modification of LATH]

lāth¹er (-dh-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Froth of soap & water; frothy sweat of horse; hence ~y² a. 2. v.b. Cover (esp. chin etc. for shaving) with ~; (of horse) become covered with ~; (of soap) form ~; beat, thrash, whence ~ing²(1) n. [n. f. OE *læthor* washing soda cogn. w. Gk *laetron* bath, L *lavare* wash; vb f. OE *læthan* f. same root]

lathi (laht¹), n. Long heavy iron-bound stick used as weapon by Indian natives & police. [Hind.]

lātīrūn¹dīa, n. pl. Large estates, esp. as characterizing a country's social system. [L (sing. -um), f. *latus* broad, *fundus* farm]

Lāt¹in, a. & n. 1. Of Latium or ancient ~s or Romans; of, like, in, the language of the ancient Romans, whence ~ism¹(4) n.; of the Roman Catholic Church; ~ (see WESTERN) Church; (of peoples) inheriting Roman customs etc., speaking one of the languages descended from ~, Romance, (*the ~ peoples*, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, etc.). 2. n. The ~ language (*old ~*, before about 75 B.C., preclassical; *classical ~*, that of great writers of late republican & early imperial Rome, about 75 B.C. to A.D. 175; *late ~*, about A.D. 175 to 600; *medieval ~*, about A.D. 600 to 1500; *modern ~*, since A.D. 1500; *low ~*, =medieval, or late & medieval; *SILVER*¹ ~; *thieves*¹ ~, secret language of thieves etc.; *DOG* ~), whence ~less a., ~ist¹(3) n.; inhabitant of Latium, (Rom. Ant.) Italian with special franchise. [f. L *Latīnus* (Latium Roman district, -INE¹)]

Latīn¹ly, adv. In Latin (giving Latin equivalent of word etc.). [L]

Latin¹ity, n. Way person writes Latin, quality of Latin style or grammar. [f. L *Latinitas* (proc., -TY)]

lāt¹inīz[e], v.t. & i. Give Latin form to (word), put into Latin; make conformable to ideas, customs, etc., of the ancient Romans, Latin peoples, or Latin Church; use Latin forms, idioms, etc. Hence ~a¹tion, ~er¹, nn. [f. L *latinizare* (LATIN, -IZE)]

lāt¹itūd[e], n. 1. (Joc.) breadth (*hat with great ~e of brim*); (rare) scope, full extent, (understood, taken, in its proper ~e). 2. Freedom from narrowness, liberality of interpretation, tolerated variety of action or opinion, whence (esp. of religious matters) ~inā¹rian a. & n., ~inā¹rian-ism¹(3) n. 3. (geog.). Angular distance on a meridian (*degree, minute, etc., of ~e*); place's angular distance on its meridian N. or S. of equator (*in ~e 40° N. etc.*); (usu. pl.) regions, climes, esp. w. ref. to temperature (*high ~es*, far N. or S.; *low ~es*, near equator). 4. (Astron.) angular distance of heavenly body from ecliptic.

So ~inal (-ād') a. (Geog.). [f. L *latitudo* -inis (*latus* broad, -RUDR)]

latrine' (-ēn), n. Place for evacuation of bowels or bladder, esp. in camp, barracks, hospital, etc. [F. f. L *latrina* for *lavatrina* (*lavare* wash, -INE⁴)]

-latry, suf. f. Gk *latreia* worship, in wds f. an existing Gk original (*idolatry*), & mod. formations on same model (*angelolatry*, *Mariolatry*). In (humorous) hybrid formations -o- is added to the initial component as *lordolatry*, *babyolatry*. Corresponding personal nn. (-worshipper) are formed in -(o)later f. Gk -*latrēs*.

lātt'en, n. & a. (Of) a mixed yellow metal like (or the same as) brass. [f. OF *laton* perh. f. Teut. (LATR)]

lātt'er, a. (Arch.) later, second, (~ *grass*, aftermath); belonging to end of period, world, etc. (in these ~ *days*, at this late period of the world's history; ~ *end*, death); second-mentioned (opp. *former*); also the ~ ellipt. = second-mentioned thing or person; ~ *day*, modern (~ *day saints*, Mormons). [OE *latra* comp. of *læt* LATE¹, *later* being a new formation]

lātt'erly, adv. Towards the end of life or some period; nowadays, of late. [f. prec.]

lātt'ice, n. Structure of cross laths with interstices serving as screen, door, etc.; (also ~ *work*) laths so arranged; ~ *bridge*, made with ~ girders; ~ *frame* or *girder*, girder made of two flanges connected by iron ~ *work*; ~ *window*, one having ~, also one with small panes set in diagonal lead-work. Hence lātt'iced³ (-st) a., lātt'icing¹(6) n. [f. OF *lattis* (*latte* LATR)]

Lāt'vian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of the Republic of Latvia, the country of the Letts, on the Gulf of Riga in the Baltic. [f. *Latvi* see LETTING + -AN]

laud, n., & v.t. 1. Praise (rare exc. in hymns); (pl.) first of day-hours of church; hymn of praise. 2. v.t. Praise, celebrate; so ~ *'TION*, ~ *āt'ON*³, nn., ~ *'ATIVE*, ~ *'ATORY*, aa. [n. f. OF *laude*, vb f. L *laudare*, f. L *laudem* nom. *laus* praise]

laud'able, a. Commendable, praiseworthy; (Med., of secretions) healthy, sound. Hence or cogn. ~ *ABILITY* n., ~ *ably*³ adv. [f. L *laudabilis* (prec., -ABLE)]

laudanum (lād'num), n. Alcoholic tincture of opium. [name given by Paracelsus to a costly panacea or elixir, later transferred to preparations containing opium; perh. var. of L *ladanum* or med. L *labdanum* a gum-resin, or f. L *laudare* praise]

laudet' or tēn'poris dē'ti, n. One who prefers the good old days. [L, =praiser of time past]

laugh (-āf, -āf), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make the sounds & movements of face & sides by which lively amusement, sense of the ludicrous, exultation, & scorn, are instinctively expressed; have these emotions,

(~ in one's sleeve, be secretly amused; ~ing HYENA, JACKASS; ~ on wrong side of mouth, have revulsion from joy or amusement to tears or vexation; he ~s best who ~s last, warning against premature exultation); (of water, landscape, corn, etc.) be lively with play of movement or light; utter ~ingly; hold up to scorn; ~ at, make fun of, ridicule, also look pleasantly or smile at; get (person) out of habit, belief, etc., by ridicule (~ person, opinion, etc., out of court, deprive of a hearing by ridicule); ~ away, dismiss (subject) with a ~, while away (time) with jests; ~ down, silence with laughter; ~ off (embarrassment etc.), get rid of with a jest; ~ over, discuss with laughter; hence ~ *ER*¹ n., ~ *ING*² a., ~ *ingly*³ adv., (-āf-, -āf-). 2. n. Sound made in, act of, ~ing (*join in the ~*, esp. of person taking banter good-humouredly; have, get, the ~ of, turn the tables on assailant, also have the ~ on one's side); person's manner of ~ing. (com.-Teut.; OE *hlehhan*, cf. Du. & G *lachen*; prob. imit.)

laugh'able (-āf-, -āf-), a. Exciting laughter, amusing. Hence ~ *LY*² adv. [prec. n. or v. + -ABLE]

laugh'ing (-āf-, -āf-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: no ~ *matter*, serious thing, not a fit subject for ~; ~ *gas*, nitrous oxide, with intoxicating effect when inhaled, used as anaesthetic; ~ *stock*, person or thing generally ridiculed. [-ING¹]

laugh'ter (-āf-, -āf-), n. Laughing (*Homeric* ~, loud & general, such as Homer attributes to spectators of ludicrous incident). [OE *hleahtr*, cf. G *geldchter* (*lachen* LAUGH)]

launce (lahns, lāns), n. Sand-eel. [perh. var. of LANCE¹]

launch¹ (law-, lah-), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Hurl, discharge, send forth. (missile, blow, censure, threat, decree); burst (usu. out) into expense, strong language, etc. (also ~ *out*, abs., spend money freely, expatiate in words); set (vessel) afloat; send off, start, (person, enterprise) on a course; go forth, out, on an enterprise. 2. n. Process of ~ing ship. [f. ONF *lancher* = OF *lancier* LANCE²]

launch³ (law-, lah-), n. Man-of-war's largest boat, rather flat-bottomed & usu. sloop-rigged; large boat driven by steam, petrol, etc. for passengers, pleasure trips, etc. [f. Sp. *lancha* pinnace perh. f. Malay *lancharan* (*lanchar* swift)]

laun'der, v.t. & i. (Chiefly as p.p.) wash & get up (linen); (of fabric, with adv.) admit of being ~ed. [f. obs. *launder* n. washer of linen f. OF *lavandier* f. LL *lavandarius* (*lavanda* neut. pl. gerundive of L *lavare* wash, -ARY¹)]

laun'dress, n. Woman who washes & gets up linen; ♀ caretaker of chambers in Inns of Court. [f. prec. + -ess¹]

laun'dry, *n.* Establishment for washing linen; batch of clothes sent to or from ~. [as prec., -RY]

laur'eate, *a. & n.* Wreathed with, (of wreath) consisting of, laurel; worthy of laurels as poet (*poet* ~, or ~ as *n.*, poet receiving stipend as writer of Court odes, whence ~SHIP (-t-sh-) *n.*), or for eloquence etc. [f. *L laureatus* (laurea laurel-wreath f. *laurus* laurel, -ATE²)]

lau'rei (lō-), *n. & v.t.* (-ll-). 1. Kinds of glossy-leaved shrub; foliage of bay-tree as emblem of victory or distinction in poetry (collect. sing. or pl.; *reap. win.* ~s; *rest on one's* ~s, cease to strive for further glory; *look to one's* ~s, beware of losing pre-eminence); ~bottle, filled with ~leaves for killing insects. 2. *v.t.* Wreath with ~. [f. *L laurier* f. OF *lor* f. *L laurus*; -l by dissim.]

laurustin'us, -res-, (lō-), *n.* Evergreen flowering shrub. (mod. *L*, prop. two wds [*L laurus* laurel, *tinus* a plant, perh. the ~])

la'va (luh-), *n.* Matter flowing from volcano, solid substance it cools into; (w. pl.) kind, bed, of ~. [It. (*lavare* It. & *L wash*)]

lavā'bō, *n.* (pl. ~s). Ritual washing of celebrant's hands at offertory, towel or basin used for this; monastery washing-trough; wash-basin, (pl.) lavatory, (after *F*). [*L*, = *I* will wash, first wd of *Ps. xxvi. 6*]

lavā'tion, *n.* Washing. [f. *L lavatio* (*lavare wash*, -ATION)]

lav'atory, *n.* Vessel for washing (arch.); room etc. for washing hands & face; (euphem.) water-closet(s) and urinal. [f. *L lavatorium* f. *lavare wash*, -ORY(2)]

lave, *v.t.* (poet.). Wash, bathe; (of stream etc.) wash against, flow along. [repr. both OE *lafian* pour (water) cf. *G laben* refresh, & *F larer* f. *L lavare* = *Gk louō* wash, cf. *LATHER*]

lave'ment (-vm-), *n.* (med.). Injection, enema. [F (prec., -MENT)]

lav'ender, *n. & v.t.* 1. Small lilac-flowered narrow-leaved shrub cultivated for perfume; its flowers & stalks laid among linen etc. (*lay up in* ~, often fig., put aside for future use); pale blue colour with trace of red; ~water, perfume of distilled ~, alcohol, & ambergris. 2. *v.t.* Put ~ among (linen). [f. AF *lavendre* f. med. *L lavendula*, *livendula*, perh. f. *L LIVIDUS*]

lav'er¹, *n.* Kinds of marine algae, esp. the edible species. [*L*]

lav'er², *n.* (Bibl.) large brazen vessel for Jewish priests' ablutions; (arch.) washing or fountain basin, font. [f. OF *lavoir* LAVATORY]

laverock. See *LARK*¹.

lav'ish, *a. & v.t.* 1. Giving or producing without stint, profuse, prodigal, (of money etc., in giving); very or over abundant: hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS *n.*

2. *v.t.* Bestow or spend (money, effort, blood, admiration, etc.) profusely; hence ~MENT *n.* [f. obs. *lavish* profusion f. OF *lavache* deluge of rain]

law¹, *n.* 1. Body of enacted or customary rules recognized by a community as binding, this personified, (*the* ~ forbids, allows; often *the* ~ of the land; *the* ~ of the Medes & Persians, unalterable ~, see *Dan. vi. 12*; *lay down the* ~, talk authoritatively, hector). 2. One of these rules. 3. Their controlling influence, ~abiding state of society, (often ~ & order; *necessity knows no* ~, over-rides its sanctity; *be a* ~ unto oneself, take one's own line, disregard convention); the ~s as a system (COURT of ~; so SON-in-~ etc.) or science (learned in the ~; read ~, study the ~s), jurisprudence. 4. Binding injunctions (*give the* ~ to, impose one's will upon). 5. (With defining word) one of the branches of the study of ~, the ~s concerning specified department, (commercial ~; the ~ of evidence; CANON, CIVIL, COMMON¹, MARTIAL, ~; international ~, ~ of nations, regulating relations between States). 6. The statute & common ~ (opp. EQUITY). 7. (In pred. use, of decisions, opinions, etc.; also good, bad, etc., ~) borne out, or not, by the relevant ~s (*it may be common sense, but it is not* ~). 8. The legal profession (usu. *the* ~; *bred to the* ~); legal knowledge. 9. Judicial remedy, ~courts as providing it, litigation, (*go to* ~; *have, take, the* ~ of person; *take the* ~ into one's own hands, redress one's wrong by force); *the Law Courts*, || (esp.) the ROYAL Courts of Justice. 10. (Also ~ of Moses) precepts of Pentateuch, Mosaic dispensation. 11. Rule of action or procedure, esp. in an art, department of life, or game. 12. (Also ~ of nature or natural ~) correct statement of invariable sequence between specified conditions & specified phenomenon (~s of motion, three propositions formulated by Newton; *Gresham's* ~, that bad money drives out good; *Kepler's* ~s, three propositions on planetary motions; *Grimm's*, *Verner's* ~, on consonant changes in Germanic languages). 13. ~s of nature, regularity in nature (*where they saw chance, we see* ~); *Law of Nature* (see also above) or *Reason*, principles of conduct recognized as pleasing to God or as intrinsically reasonable. 14. (Sport) allowance, start, given to hunted animal or competitor in race, (whence gen.) time of grace, respite. 15. ~abiding(ness), obedient, obedience, to ~; ~ calf, unstained used for binding ~books; ~court¹; ~French, the Anglo-Norman terms used in ~books & ~: ~giver, one who makes (esp. code) of ~s; || ~hand, handwriting used in legal documents; ~Latin, barbarous Latin of early English statutes; || ~lord, member of House of Lords qualified to assist in its

legal work; ~*maker*, legislator; ~*merchant*, ~s regulating trade & commerce, differing in some respects from Common Law; ~*officer*, legal functionary, || esp. Attorney or Solicitor General; ~*stationer*, selling stationery needed by lawyers || & **taking** in documents to be engrossed; ~*suit*, prosecution of claim in ~court; ~*term*, word or expression used in ~, also period appointed for sitting of ~courts; ~*writer*, writer on ~, || also engrosser of legal documents. [OE *lagu* f. ON, orig. sense *thing laid*, cogn. w. LAY²]

|| **law², laws**, int. (vulg.) expressing astonishment. [var. of LO, or earlier *la*, or *lor* for *Lord*]

law¹ful, a. Permitted, appointed, qualified, or recognized, by law, not illegal or (of child) illegitimate. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

lawk(s), int. (vulg.) expressing astonishment; *lawk-a-mussy* (vulg.), = Lord have mercy. [for ALACK or *Lord*]

law¹less, a. (Of country etc.) where law is non-existent or inoperative; regardless of, disobedient to, uncontrolled by, law, unbridled, licentious. Hence ~NESS n. [-LESS]

lawn¹, n. Kind of fine linen used esp. for bishop's sleeves; ~*sieve*, fine sieve of ~ or silk. Hence ~Y² a. [prob. f. *Laon* in France]

lawn², n. || Glade (arch.); (extent of) grass-covered land; close-mown turf-covered piece of pleasure-ground or garden, whence ~Y² a.; ~*mower*, machine with revolving spiral knives for mowing ~s; ~*sprinkler*, machine with revolving pipe-end for watering ~s; ~*tennis*, modification of tennis played by two persons (*single*) or four (*double*) on a level court ('grass' or 'hard') without walls. [earlier *laund* f. OF *launde* f. OCelt. (W *llan*), cogn. w. LAND¹]

law¹yer (or *loi¹er*), n. Member of legal profession, esp. attorney, solicitor; person versed in law (*good*, *no*, etc., ~); *Penang* ~, walking-stick of Penang palm (perh. f. native tree-name). [-YER]

lax¹, a. Loose, relaxed, not compact, porous, (rare); negligent, careless, not strict, vague. Hence or cogn. ~TRY n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *laxus* cogn. w. *languère* LANGUISE]

lax², n. Swedish or Norwegian salmon. [OE *lax* salmon, cf. Da., Swed., etc., *lax*; now only as an alien word]

lax¹ative, a. & n. (Medicine) tending to loosen the bowels. [F (-*if*, -*ive*), f. L *laxativus* (*laxare*, see LAX¹, -ATIVE)]

lay¹, n. Short lyric or narrative poem meant to be sung; (loosely) song, poem, song of birds. [f. OF *lai* perh. f. Teut. (OHG *lêch* melody); not cogn. w. G *lied*]

lay², a. Non-clerical, not in orders; of, done by, ~man or laity; non-professional, not expert, (esp. w. ref. to law or medi-

cine); ~*brother*, *sister*, person who has taken habit & vows of religious order but is employed in manual labour & excused other duties; ~*clerk*, singing man in cathedral or collegiate church, parish clerk; ~*communion*, membership of church as ~man, also communicating of laity in eucharist; ~*deacon*, man in deacon's orders but also following secular employment; || ~*lord*, peer who is not LAW¹-lord; ~*man*, one of the laity, non-expert in regard to some profession, art, or science (esp. law or medicine); ~*reader*, ~man licensed to conduct religious services. [f. F *lai* f. eccl. L f. Gk *laikos* LAIC]

lay³, v.t. & i. (*laid*), & n. 1. Prostrate (~*low*, bring down, humble); (of wind or rain) beat down (crops); cause (sea, wind, dust, misgivings, ghost) to subside. 2. Deposit; place in recumbent posture (~ to sleep or rest, lit., & fig. = bury; ~ one's bones, be buried in specified place); (of hen) produce (egg, or abs.); put down (amount, one's head or life, etc.) as wager, stake, (abs.) announce readiness to bet (*that* —). 3. Place, set, apply, (~ to heart; ~ heads together, confer; *laid a spark to the train*; ~ hounds on scent; ~ hold on or of, seize, grasp, & fig. make capital of opponent's weak point etc.; ~ one's hopes on; ~ great store upon, value highly; ~ snare, trap, ambush; ~ WAIT²; ~ siege to, besiege, importune; locate (scene; scene of tale is laid in London); put (limb etc.) in certain position (*horse laid his ears back*; ~ hands on, seize, appropriate, also do violence to, esp. oneself = commit suicide, also find, as cannot ~ my hands upon it, also confirm or ordain by imposition of hands); aim (big gun); (with compl.) put into specified state (~ land fallow, under water; ~ person under obligation, oblige him, under necessity, compel him, under contribution, make him contribute; ~ bare, denude, reveal; ~ waste, ravage; ~ open, reveal, explain, also break skin of; ~ fast, by the heels, confine or imprison; ~ ABOARD). 4. Present, put forward, (esp. claim to something; ~ an information, bring indictment in legal form); place (facts, question) for consideration before person; (Parl.) Foreign Secretary etc. will ~ papers (i.e. on the table, to give information to the House of Commons); (of suitor) fix (damages) at certain sum; (arch.) impute (fault) to person or (mod.) to his charge, at or to his door; represent (evil) as consequent on some cause. 5. Impose (penalty, command, obligation, burden, tax), cast (blame), (up)on (~ stress, weight, emphasis, on, emphasize, treat as important); bring (stick etc.) down on (also ~ blows or if on adv.; & abs. ~ two, sl., belabour, ~ about one, hit out on all sides). 6. Dispose, arrange, esp. horizontally (foundation,

floor, bricks, submarine cable; ~ *table*, cloth, or breakfast etc., prepare table for meal; ~ *the fire*, put fuel ready for lighting; make (strand, rope) by twisting yarn or strands; fix outlines of, devise (plan, plot; ~ one's ACCOUNT²); put (colour etc.) on a surface in layers; cover, coat, strew, (surface) with carpet, metal, straw, etc.; *laid paper* (having ribbed surface owing to wires used in making). 7. v.i. (vulg., also Naut.). = LIE³. 8. ~ *aside* or *by*, put away, cease to use or practise or think of, abandon, save (money etc.) for future needs; ~ *down*, put on the ground etc. (~ *down* one's arms, surrender), relinquish (office, hopes), pay or wager (money), sacrifice (one's life), (begin to) construct (ship, railway), formulate (rule, principle, course; ~ *down* the LAW¹), set down (chart etc.) on paper, convert (land) into pasture (*in*, *to*, *under*, *with*, grass, clover, etc.), store (wine) in cellar; ~ *in*, provide oneself with stock of, (also, colloq.) shower blows; ~ *on*, impose (tax, command, penalty), deal blows, inflict (blows), ply (lash etc.), apply coat of (paint etc.); ~ *it on* thick or *with* a trowel, use obvious flattery, put (hounds) on scent, provide pipes etc. supplying (gas, water, electricity); ~ *out*, spread, expose to view etc., prepare (body) for burial, (sl.) kill, (colloq.) put (person) out of action temporarily at football etc., expend (money), (refl.) take pains to do, dispose (grounds, garden) according to a plan; ~ *up*, store, put by, put (ship) out of commission, save (money, or abs.), (pass.) be confined to bed or house. 9. n. Line of business, job, pursuit, (sl.); direction or amount of twist in rope-stands; way, position, or direction, in which something (esp. country) lies, lie; ~ *out*, disposing or arrangement of ground etc.; ~ *shaft*, secondary shaft of a machine, not forming part of main system of power-transmission. [OE *leggan*, cf. Du. *leggen*, G *legen*, & see LIE³]

lay⁴. See LIE³.

lay^{er}, n., & v.t. & i. In vbl senses; also: stratum, thickness of matter (esp. one of several) spread over surface; (Gardening) shoot fastened into earth to strike root while attached to parent plant (v.t., propagate thus); (pl.) patches of laid corn (v.i., of corn, be laid flat by weakness of growth); oyster-bed: *good*, *bad*, etc., ~ (of hens); ~s & *backers*, persons betting against, on, individual horse etc.; ~ *stool*, root from which ~s are produced. Hence ~ED³ (-erd) a. [LAY³, -ER¹]

lay^{ette}, n. Clothes, toilet articles, & bedding, needed for newborn child. [F]

lay fig^{ure} (-ger), n. Jointed wooden figure of human body used by artists for arranging drapery on etc.; unimportant person, nonentity; unreal character in

novel etc. [lay f. obs. *layman* lay figure f. Du. *leeman* (led joint)]

lay^{lock}, n. (Dial. for) LILAC.

lay^{off} (-awf), n. Period during which a workman is temporarily discharged; slack season. [LAY³]

|| lay^{stall} (-awl), n. Refuse heap. [LAY³, STALL]

lāz^{ar}, n. (arch.). Poor & diseased person, esp. leper; ~-house, = foll. [f. med. L *lazarus* f. proper name (Luke xvi. 20)]

lāzarēt', -ēt'ō (pl. -os), n. Hospital (chiefly in foreign countries) for diseased poor, esp. lepers; building or ship for performing quarantine in; after part of ship's hold used for stores. [F (-et), f. It. *lazzaretto* (lazzaro LAZAR)]

Lāz^{arus}, n. Beggar, poor man, (esp. in contrasts, ~ & *Dives* etc.). [see LAZAR]

lāze, v.i. & t., & n. (colloq.). 1. Be lazy; pass (time) away in laziness. 2. n. Lazy time. [back formation f. LAZY]

lāz'ūli, n. = LAPIS LAZULI.

lāz'y, a., & v.i. & t. 1. Averse to labour, indolent, slothful; appropriate to or inducing indolence; ~-bed, bed for potato-growing about 6 ft wide with trench on each side; ~-bones, ~ person; ~ *pinion*, serving as transmitter of motion between other pinions or wheels; ~-longs, arrangement of zigzag levers for picking up distant objects; hence lāz'iy² adv., lāz'iness n. 2. vb. = LAZE. [earlier *lasy*, perh. f. LAY³ + -y as in *tipsy*, *tricky*]

lāzarōn'e, n. (pl. -ni, pr. -nē). Neapolitan street-lounger living by odd jobs & begging. [It. (LAZAR, -oon)]

'ld, abbr. of *would* (now rare, cf. 'd).

-le, -el, suf. 1. f. ME -el, -le, f. OE -el, -ela, -(e) in nn., -ol, -ul, -el, in adj.; after *ch*, soft *g*, *n*, *r*, *sh*, *th*, *v*, -el is retained, & after *m* the suf. becomes -ble. Nn. formed on n. stems have dim. sense (*bramble*), or that of tool, appliance, (*thimble*, *handle*); nn. formed on vb stems express agent (*beadle*), instrument (*bridle*, *girdle*), or less definite relations (*bundle*); adj. formed on vb stems have the sense *apt* or *liable* to the vbl action (*brittle*, *nimble*). 2. f. ME -el, -elle, in nn. f. F -el f. L -*clann* (*castle*, *mantle*) or L -*ale* (*cattle*); f. F -*uille* f. L -*alia* see -AL (*battle*), or F -*eille* f. L -*icula* (*bottle*); f. L -*ulus*, -*ula*, -*ulum*, (angle); -el in some mod. scientific. wds on L anal. (*carpel*). 3. Verbal, f. ME -(e)len f. OE -*lian* f. OTeut. -*lōjan*, w. frequent. or dim. sense (*nesle*, *twinkle*, *wrestle*, *crumple*, *dazzle*).

lea¹, n. (poet.). Tract of open ground, esp. grass land. [OE *leah*, cf. OHG *lch* grove]

lea², n. Measure of yarn (300, 200, 120, & 80 yds in different districts etc.). [perh. f. F *lier* f. L *ligare* to bind]

leach, v.t. Make (liquid) percolate through some material; subject (bark, ore) to action of percolating fluid; purge (soluble

matter) *away* etc. by such means. [prob. f. OE *leccan* to water]

lead¹ (léd, n. & v.t. & i. 1. Heavy easily fusible soft malleable base metal of dull pale bluish-grey colour (*red* ~, red oxide of ~ used as pigment, minium; *white* ~, mixture of ~ carbonate & hydrated ~ oxide used as pigment, ceruse; = **BLACK**¹ ~, whence ~ is used, w. pl., for the small stick of graphite in pencil or pencil-case; *ounce* of ~. bullet). 2. Lump of ~ used in sounding water (*cast, heave, the* ~; *arm the* ~, fill hollow in it with tallow, to learn nature of bottom; || *swing the* ~, Nav. & Mil. sl., maulinger or scrimshank). 3. || pl. Strips of ~ used to cover roof, piece of (esp. horizontal) ~-covered roof; ~ frames or comes holding glass of lattice or painted window. 4. (Print.) metal strip for widening space between lines. 5. ~ *comb*, made of ~ & used to darken hair; ~ *pencil*, of graphite usu. enclosed in cedar; ~ *poisoning*, acute or chronic poisoning by taking of ~ into system; ~ *s'mum*, sailor who heaves the ~; ~ *wool*, ~ in a fibrous state, used for jointing water-pipes; ~ *work*, plumber's or glazier's work; ~ *works*, place where ~-ore is smelted; hence ~ *LESS* a. 6. vb. Cover, weight, frame, (panes) with ~; (Print.) separate lines of (printed matter) with ~; (of gun-barrel) become foul with coating of ~. [OE *léd*, cf. Du. *lood*, G *lot*]

lead² (léd, v.t. & i. 1. (léd). 1. Force to go with one (~ *captive*, take away as prisoner). 2. Conduct, guide, esp. by going in front (of person, also of motive, circumstance, etc.; *curiosity, chance, led him to Rome*; ~ one a *dance*, give him much trouble to secure his end; ~ one a *life*, worry him constantly; ~ *the way*, go first, take the lead in course lit. or fig.). 3. (Of commander) direct movements of. 4. Conduct (person) by the hand or contact, (animal) by halter etc., (*led horse*, spare horse led by groom etc.; *led captain*, hanger-on, toady, parasite; ~ woman to altar, marry); guide by persuasion (*is easier led than driven*; ~ *astray*, esp. tempt to sin etc.; ~ *by the nose*, induce to do unconsciously all one wishes). 5. Guide actions or opinions of, bring by argument etc. to conclusion, induce to do (~ one to *suppose* etc., deceive him into thinking); ply (witness) with leading questions. 6. (Of road etc.) conduct (person, or usu. abs.) to place (*all roads ~ to Rome*; also fig. - have as result, *this led to confusion*). 7. Make (rope, water, etc.) go through pulley, channel, etc. 8. Pass, go through, spend, (life etc., esp. w. epithet as ~ a *miserable existence, a double life*). 9. Have first place in (~ *the dance, van*); (abs.) go first (~ *off, begin intr.*), be first at some point in race. 10. Direct by example (~ *orchestra, band, chorus*, etc.), set (fashion); be official director or spokesman of (party,

esp. in Houses of Parliament), || act as leading counsel in (case, or usu. abs.). 11. (Cards) play as first card, be first player, in trick (~ *up to*, play so as to elicit specified card), play one of (suit) when ~ing. 12. ~ *away*, (usu. in pass.) induce to follow unthinkingly; ~ *off*, begin (dance, conversation, or abs.); ~ *on*, entice into going further than was intended; ~ *up the garden (path)*; ~ *up to*, form preparation for, serve to introduce, direct conversation towards, (subject). Hence ~ *ABLE* a. (com.-Teut.; OE *lédan*, cf. Du. *leiden*, G *leiten*, cogn. w. **LOAD**, **LODK**]

lead³ (léd, n. Direction given by going in front, example, (*follow the ~ of*; *give one a ~*, encourage him by doing thing, esp. leaping fence in hunting, first); leading place, leadership, (*take the ~*); artificial water-course, esp. leading to mill; (Electr.) conductor conveying current from source to place of use, (~ *in*, conducting wire joining wireless receiver with external aerial); channel in ice-field; string etc. for leading dog; (Cards) act or right of playing first (*return ~*, lead from suit already led by partner); (Theatr.) (player of) chief part; ~ *off*, commencement. [f. proc.]

lea'den (léd-, a. (As) of lead (*sleep's ~ sceptre*, stupefying power; ~ *sword*, useless); heavy, slow, burdensome, (~ *limbs*); inert, deadening, (~ *rule*); lead-coloured. [-EN¹]

Leadenhall (léd'enhaw'), n. (Used for) ~ meat and poultry market in London.

lead'er (léd', n. In vbl senses of **LEAD**² (*FOLLOW my ~*); also or esp.: ~ *of House of Commons*, member of Government with official initiative in business; || counsel who leads in case, also K.C., also senior counsel of circuit; front horse in team or tandem (opp. **WHEELER**); shoot growing at apex of stem or principal branch; tendon; || = **LEADING**² *article*; (Print.) line of dots or dashes to guide eye. Hence ~ *LESS* a., ~ *SHIP* (1, 3) n. [-ER¹]

|| **leaderette**¹ (léd-, n. Short editorial paragraph in same type as leading article. [proc., -ETTE]

lead'ing¹ (léd', n. In vbl senses; esp.: *men of light & ~*, of deserved influence; ~ *business*, parts usu. taken by ~ actor; ~ *rein*, to lead horse with; ~ *staff*, attached to ring in bull's nose; ~ *strings*, with which children were formerly taught to walk (*in ~ strings*, in state of pupillage). [-ING¹]

lead'ing² (léd', a. In vbl senses; || ~ *article*, editorial expression of opinion at full length in newspaper, (Commer.) article of trade sold at low price to attract custom for other things; ~ *case* (Law), serving as precedent for deciding others; ~ *edge*, foremost edge of aircraft's wing, opp. *trailing edge*; ~ *lady*, man,

taking chief part in play; ~ *motive*, trans. of LEITMOTIV; ~ *note*, seventh of diatonic scale, semitone below keynote; ~ *question*, prompting desired answer. [-ING¹]

leaf¹, n. (pl. *leaves*), & v.i. 1. Expanded organ (usu. green) of plant springing from side of stem or branch or direct from root; (pop.) petal (esp. *rose*~); foliage (*fall of the ~*, autumn; *in ~*, with leaves out), leaves of tobacco or tea. 2. Single thickness of folded paper, esp. (= 2 pages) in book (*take ~ out of person's book*¹; *turn over new ~*, mend one's ways). 3. Very thin sheet of metal, esp. gold or silver, or horn, marble, talc, etc. 4. Hinged part or flap of door, shutter, table (also used of extra section inserted in expansible table), bridge (= bascule), or rifle-sight. 5. Tooth of pinion. 6. ~ *brass*, brass foil; ~ *insect* (having wings resembling ~ of plant); ~ *lard* (made from layers of fat round pig's kidneys); ~ *mould*, soil composed chiefly of decaying leaves; hence ~AGE(1) n., (-)~ED¹ (-ft), ~LESS, aa., ~lessness n., ~Y¹ a., ~INESS n. 7. v.i. Put forth leaves. [OE *leaf*, cf. Du. *loof*, G *laub*]

leaf², n. (nav. & mil. sl.). Leave of absence, furlough. [=LEAVE¹]

leaf³lét, n. (Bot.) one division of compound leaf; young leaf; small leaf of paper, or sheet folded but not stitched, with printed matter, esp. for gratuitous distribution. [-LET]

league¹ (-g), n. Varying measure of road-distance, usu. about three miles. [f. LL *leuga* perh. f. Gaulish]

league² (-g), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Compact for mutual protection & assistance or prosecution of common interests, parties (whether States or individuals) to such compact, (*Solemn L~ & COVENANT*; PRIMROSE L~; *in ~ with*, allied with); || L~ *football* (in which clubs forming a ~ play each other for championship); L~ of Nations (established by the treaty of peace 1919 to try to prevent war). 2. vb. Join (t. & i.) in ~ (esp. in p.p. ~d together or with). [f. F *ligue* f. It. *liga*, *lega*, (L *ligare* bind)]

leag¹uer¹ (-ger), n., & v.t. & i. = LAGER. [f. Du. *leger*, see LAGER]

leag²uer¹ (-ger), n. Member of LEAGUE². [-ER¹]

leak, n., & v.i. 1. Hole caused by injury, wear, etc., through which fluid makes way into or out of vessel that is immersed in or contains it (*spring a ~*, be found to have one). 2. ~f. Let fluid, (of fluid) pass, out or in through ~; (of secrets etc.) transpire, come out gradually; hence ~AGE(3) n., what ~s out or in, transpiring of secrets, unexplained disappearance of money pointing to embezzlement etc. [vb prob. f. ON *leka* drip; relation of n. & vb doubtful]

leak² (-), a. Having leak(s); incontinent of

urine; given to letting out secrets. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

leal, a. (So. & literary). Loyal, honest, (LAND¹ of the ~). [f. OF *leal* (cf. LOYAL) f. L *legalis* lawful (lex legis law, -AL)]

lean¹, a. & n. 1. (Of persons) thin, not plump; meagre, of poor quality, in-nutritious, (~ *crops*, *diet*; ~ *years*, of scarcity); unremunerative; (of meat) consisting chiefly of muscular tissue, not of fat. 2. n. ~ part of meat. Hence ~NESS n. [OE *hlæne* etym. dub.]

lean², v.i. & t. (past & p.p. ~ed, or ~t pr. lēnt), & n. 1. Incline one's body against something for support, support oneself (of thing, be supported in sloping position) *against* or *on* (Mil., ~ *upon*, have as protection on flank); rely or depend (*upon*); incline body back, forward, over, towards, etc.; stand obliquely, out of the perpendicular; have tendency to mercy etc., be partial to cause, opinion, or person, whence ~ING¹(1) n.; place (thing) in ~ing position; ~t², building with rafters resting against side of another, pent-house. 2. n. Inclination, slope, (*has a decided ~ to the right*). [OE *hlēonian*, *hlīnian*, cf. Du. *leunen*, G *lehnen*, cogn. w. LADDER, & w. CLIMAX & Gk *klinō* bend, & L *inclinare*]

leap¹, v.i. & t. (past & p.p. ~t pr. lēpt, or ~ed). = JUMP (still in poet., literary, & dignified use; LOOK¹ before you ~); ~ *frog*, (n.) game in which players vault with parted legs over others bending down, (vb) perform such vault (over). Hence ~ER¹ n. [com. Teut.; OE *hlēapan*, cf. Du. *loopen*, G *laufen* run]

leap², n. Jump (by which wd it is now replaced in ordinary use; ~ in the dark, hazardous attempt of doubtful issue; by ~s & bounds, with startlingly rapid progress); thing to be jumped; ~-day, 29th Feb.; ~-year, with intercalary day (perh. because fixed festivals after February in ~-year fall two weekdays, instead of as usual one, later than in the preceding year), ~-year proposal (of woman to man, allowable only in ~-year). [OE *hlēp* f. root of prec.]

learn (lēr), v.t. & i. (past & p.p. ~t, ~ed pr. -nd). Get knowledge of (subject) or skill in (art etc.) by study, experience, or being taught (*from*, *of*); commit to memory (esp. ~ *by heart* or *rote*); become aware *that*, *how*, etc. (*I am or have yet to ~*, do not know, usu. with implication of disbelief), be informed of, ascertain; receive instruction; (arch., joc., or vulg.) teach. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n., (lēr-). [OE *leornian*, cf. G *lernen*]

learn²ed (lēr-), a. Deeply read, erudite; showing profound knowledge; || (in conventionally courteous mention of lawyer in House of Commons, lawcourts, etc.) ~ in the law (esp. *my ~ friend or brother*); (of language, profession, etc.)]

studied by, (of words in a language) introduced by, ~ men. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. prec. in obs. sense (still in vulg. use) *teach*, + -EN¹]

learn'ing (lār-), n. In vbl senses; esp. (possession of) knowledge got by study, esp. of language or literary or historical science (*the new ~*, studies, esp. of Greek, introduced into England in 16th c., renaissance). [-ING¹]

lease¹, n., & v.t. 1. Contract by which lessor, usu. in consideration of rent, conveys land or tenement to lessee for specified time (*put out to ~*; *by or on ~*; *a new ~ of life*, prospect of living due to recovered health or removal of anxiety etc.); ~*hold(er)*, (person having) tenure, real property held, by ~; *L~Lend* (later *Lend-L~*), applied orig. in 1941 to an arrangement whereby sites in British overseas possessions were ~d to the United States as bases in exchange for the loan of destroyers, later extended to the pooling of the resources & output of the United Nations, also attrib. & as v.t. 2. v.t. Grant or take ~ of. [f. AF *les*(er), cf. F *laisser*, f. L *laxare* (LAX) to loose]

lease², n. (crossing of warp-threads in loom; = *fell*. (weaving). [prob. var. of *fell*.]

leash, n., & v.t. 1. Thong in which hounds or coursing-dogs are held (*hold in ~*, control); set of three hounds, hares, etc.; (Weaving) cord with eye to receive warp-thread extending between parallel laths of loom-heddle. 2. v.t. Connect, hold in, with ~. [f. OF *lesse* perh. f. fem. of L *LAXUS*]

leas'ing (-z), n. (bibl.). Lying, lie. [OE *leasung* (*leasium* f. *leas* false, destitute of, = *LESS*)]

least, a., n., & adv. 1. Smallest, slightest, (*the ~*, esp. after neg., any however small; ~ *common* MULTIPLE; *line of ~* RESISTANCE). 2. n. ~ amount (*to say the ~ of it*, to put the case moderately; ~ *said soonest mended*, discussion will only make things worse); *at ~*, at all events, even if a wider statement is disputable, (also *at the ~*) at the lowest computation; (*in the ~*, in the smallest degree, at all. 3. adv. In the ~ degree. [OE *leost* superl. of *LESS*]

leas't'ways (-z; vulg.), **leas't'wise** (-z; rare), adv. Or at least, or rather, [-WAYS, -WISE]

leat, n. Open water-course conducting water to mill etc. [OE *-gælt* (Y- + root of *LEAT*)]

lea'ther (lædh-), n., & v.t. 1. Skin prepared for use by tanning or similar process (*patent ~*, with fine black varnished surface; || *American ~*, kind of oilcloth; ~ & *prunella*, a difference in clothes only, see *Pope, Essay*, iv. 204; *nothing like ~*, one's own goods will serve all purposes; vb, *cover or arm with ~*). 2. Article, or part of one, made of ~, piece of ~ for polishing;

thong (esp. *stirrup-~*; vb, beat with strap, whence ~ING¹(1) n.); (sl.) cricket-ball (~*hunting*, fielding) or football; (pl.) leggings or breeches. 3. (sl.). One's skin (*lose ~*, suffer abrasion). 4. ~*back*, kind of turtle; ~*head*, blockhead; ~*jackel*, kinds of fish, || crane-fly grub; ~*neck*, (sailor's name, w. ref. to ~ stock formerly worn, for) soldier; ~*wood*, kinds of tough-barked tree. Hence ~ETTER²(2) n., ~n [-EN²], ~Y² (esp. of meat etc., tough), aa. [OE *lether*, cf. Du. & G *leder*]

lea'theroid (lædh-), n. Cotton paper chemically treated & resembling raw hide. [-OID]

leave¹, n. Permission (*to do*; *by your ~*, apology, often iron., for taking liberty, making unwelcome statement, etc., esp. as porter's formula for asking person to make way for him & his load; *without a ~ with your ~* or *'by your ~*, colloq., without even asking ~); (in Services, offices, schools) ~ (*of absence*), permission to be absent from duty, period for which this lasts, (*on ~*, absent thus; ~*breaker*, person remaining away beyond the period; || TICKET of ~); *take* (one's) ~ (*of*), bid farewell (*to*; *take ~ of one's senses*, go mad), whence ~*taking*¹(1) n.; FRENCH ~. [OE *leaf* prob. = orig. pleasure or approval, cogn. w. LOVE, LIEF]

leave², v.t. (*lëff*), & n. 1. Cause to or let remain, depart without taking, (~s a wife & three sons; *six from seven ~s one*; ~s much etc. to be desired, is unsatisfactory; *has left a soreness behind*); bequeath. 2. Abstain from consuming or dealing with; (pass.) remain over. 3. Let remain in specified state (*this ~s me cool, cold*, does not excite me; ~ *it at that*, colloq., abstain from comment or further action; *be well etc. left*, provided for by legacy etc.; ~ *undone, unsaid*, etc.). 4. Commit, refer, to another agent etc. than oneself (~ *it to you, sir*, fix my pay yourself; *nothing was left to accident*; ~ *him to himself*, do not try to control). 5. Allow (person, thing) to do something without interference. 6. Deposit, entrust, (thing, instructions, message), station (person), to be seen to, delivered, etc., or to discharge function, in one's absence (~ *card on person*, as equivalent of formal call). 7. Quit, go away from, (*left him quite well an hour ago*; ~ *this or here*; ~ *the track, room*); (abs.) depart (*we ~ tomorrow*, often for destination). 8. Pass (object) so as to put it in specified relative direction (~ *the church on the left*). 9. Cease to reside at (place), belong to (school, society), or serve (employer), (also abs., as *I am leaving at Christmas*). 10. Abandon, forsake (esp. ~ *in the lurch*; *get left*, colloq., be deserted or worsted). 11. ~ *alone*, not interfere with: ~ *behind*, go away without, ~ as consequence or trace, pass; ~ *go* (vulg.), relax one's hold; ~

hold of, cease holding; ~ **off**, cease to wear, discontinue (habit, doing, work), come to or make an end; ~ **out**, omit; ~ **over**, let stand over for the time. 12. n. (Billiards) position in which player ~s the balls. Hence (usu. pl.) **leav'ing** (2) n. [OE *læfan*, cf. MHG *leiben*; cogn. w. obs. *læve* remainder, & w. G *bleiben* (MHG *beliben*) remain]

(-)leaved (-vd), a. Having leaves (rare); having — leaves (*one~ table*; *red~*). [f. LEAF + -ED²]

leav'en (lè-), n., & v.t. 1. Substance added to dough to produce fermentation, esp. fermenting dough reserved for purpose; (fig.) spreading & transforming influence (*Matt. xii. 33*), tinge or admixture of some quality; the *old ~*, traces of unregenerate state (1 *Cor. v. 6. 7*). 2. v.t. Ferment (dough) with ~; permeate & transform, modify with tempering element. [f. F *levain* f. L *levamen* (levare lift, -MEN)]

leaves. See LEAF.

lebensraum (läh'ensrowm), n. Territory which a State believes is needed for its natural development. [G, =living-space]

lèch'er, n. (arch.). Fornicator, debauchee. So ~ous a., ~ously² adv., lèch'ery (4) n. [f. OF *lecheor* (*lechier* live in debauchery or gluttony f. OHG *leccôn* lick)]

lèc'tern, n. Reading or singing desk in church, esp. that for the lessons. [ME & OF *lecturn* f. LL *lecturn* (*legere* lect-read)]

lèc'tonary (-sho-), n. Book containing list of, portions of Scripture appointed to be read at divine service. [f. ecol. L *lectionarium* (*lectio* reading, see prec., -ARY²)]

lèc'tur'e, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Discourse before audience or class on given subject, usu. by way of instruction; admonition, reproof, (*read one a ~e*, reprove him). 2. vb. Deliver ~e or ~es (*on subject*); instruct or entertain (class etc.) by ~e; admonish, reprimand; hence ~ER¹ (-kehe-) n. [vb f. n., f. L *lectura* (*legere* lect-read, -URE)]

lèc'tureship (-keher-), (rare) -urership, n. Office of lecturer. [prec. + SHIP unusual formation]

led. See LEAD².

lédge, n. Narrow horizontal surface projecting from wall etc.; shelf-like projection on side of rock or mountain; ridge of rocks, esp. below water; (Mining) stratum of metal-bearing rock. Hence lédg'r², lédg'z² (-jd), a. [perh. f. ME *legge* LAY²]

lédg'er, n. & a. 1. Principal book of the set used for recording trade transactions, containing debtor-&-creditor accounts; horizontal timber in scaffolding, parallel to face of building; flat grave-stone; (also ~*baiz*) bait fixed in one place (so ~*hook*, ~*line*); ~*blade*, stationary blade in cloth-*shearing* machine acting with revolving spiral blade. 2. adj. (mus.).

~ (or *leger*) *line*, short line added above or below staff for outside notes (perh. attrib. use of n. in scaffolding sense). [perh. f. LIE², LAY², + -ER¹ in imit. of Du. *ligger*, *legger*]

lee, n. Shelter given by neighbouring object (*under the ~ of*); (also ~ *side*) sheltered side, side away from wind, (opp. *windward*, *weather* side; often attrib., ~ or ~, = belonging to ship's ~ side, or to leeward of other object, whence ~MOST a.); ~*board*, plank frame fixed to side of flat-bottomed vessel & let down into water to diminish ~way; ~ *shore*, shore to leeward of ship; ~*way*, lateral drift of ship to leeward of course (*make up ~way*, fig., struggle out of bad position, often much ~way to make up). [OE *lêo*, cogn. w. OFris. *lêi*, ON *lêj* shelter, warmth]

|| **leech**¹, n. (arch., poet., or joc.). Physician, healer; ~*craft*, art of healing. [OE *lêcc*, cf. OHG *lêhhi*]

leech², n. Kinds of aquatic bloodsucking worm, esp. that used medicinally for bleeding (*stick like a ~*, persistently); person who sucks profit out of others. [OE *lêce*, cf. MDu. *lake*]

|| **leech**³, n. Perpendicular or sloping side of sail. [cf. Du. *lijk*, G *kiek*]

leek, n. Culinary herb like onion, but with cylindrical bulb, this as Welsh national emblem (cf. ROSE; *eat the ~*, pocket affront, see Shak. *Hen. V.*, v. i.). [OE *lêac*, cf. Du. *look*, G *lauch*]

leer¹, v.i., & n. Glance (esp. sideways) with sly, lascivious, or malign expression. Hence ~ingly² adv. [n. f. vb, perh. f. obs. *leer* cheek (= look over one's cheek), cf. MDu. *liere*]

leer², n. Annealing-furnace for glass. [f.] **leer**³, n. (sl.). Knowing, aly. [perh. f. LEEER¹ n. + -Y²]

lees (-z), n. pl. Sediment of wine etc. (*drink, drain, to the ~*, lit. & fig.); base part, refuse. [earlier *lee* sing. also, f. F *lie* f. Gaulish I. *lia*]

leet¹, n. (hist.). Yearly or half-yearly court of record (also *court ~*) holdable by lords of certain manors; its jurisdiction, its district. [perh. f. OE *lêth* LATH²]

|| **leet**², n. (So.). Selected list of candidates for some office. [f. ME *élite* election]

lee'ward (or, esp. *Naut.*, lû'ard), a., adv., & n. On, towards, the sheltered side (opp. *windward*); (n.) this direction (*to ~*, *on the ~ of*). Hence ~MOST a. [LEE + -WARD]

lee'wardly (see prec.), a. (Of ship) apt to fall to leeward (opp. *weatherly*). [-LY¹]

lèft¹, a., adv., & n. 1. Belonging to the side of a person's body that is westward when he faces N. or that has normally the less-used hand, having corresponding relation to front of any object (~ *wing* or ~*ank* of army; ~ *bank* of river, assuming it to face the way it flows); situated nearer to or more directly in front of observer's or speaker's ~ hand than his

right; ~ hand, lit., & = region or direction nearer the ~ hand, (on the ~ hand of, in that direction relatively to; marry with the ~ hand, morganatically; ~ hand blow, delivered with it; ~ hand man, standing next one on ~; ~ hand rope, twisted counter-clockwise); over the ~ (shoulder now rare), sl. phr. denoting that what is said is to be interpreted by contraries; ~ turn, that brings one's front to face as one's ~ side did before; hence ~MOST a., ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS adv. 2. adv. On or to the ~ side. 3. n. ~ hand (lit. in pugilism, as got in one with his ~; cannon to ~ of them); ~ wing of army; (Pol., L., orig. of continental legislatures) more radical section of legislative chamber seated on president's ~; advanced or innovating section of philosophical school, religious sect, etc. [OE, orig. sense *weak, worthless*, cf. Efris. *luf*]

left¹. See LEAVE².

lëft'händ'ed, a. Having left hand more serviceable than right, using it by preference; awkward, clumsy; ambiguous, double-edged, of doubtful sincerity or validity, (esp. ~ compliment; also sometimes of marriage = fictitious, cf. correct sense below); (arch.) ill-omened, sinister; (of marriage) morganatic (from German custom by which bridegroom gave left hand in such marriages); adapted for use of, (of blow) delivered with, left hand. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ED²]

lëft'händ'er, n. Left-handed person or blow. [-ER¹]

lëg, n., & v.i. & t. (-gg-). 1. Organ of support & locomotion in animal, esp. human, body, part of this from hip to ankle, (all ~s, overgrown; BOOT¹ is on other ~; pull one's ~, colloq., befoul him; give one a ~ up, help him to mount or get over obstacle material or other; BONE in one's ~; have the ~s of, be able to go faster than; put BEST¹ ~ foremost; shake a ~, dance; show a ~, get out of bed; stretch one's ~s, take walking exercise; take to one's ~s, run away; on one's ~s, also joc. hind ~s, standing esp. to make speech, also well enough to go about, also in prosperous or established state, esp. set one on his ~s; stand on one's own ~s, be self-reliant or independent; FALL¹ on one's ~s; has not a ~ to stand on, cannot support thesis by any facts or sound reasons; on one's last ~s, near death or end; walk etc. one off his ~s, tire him out in walking etc.; feel, find, one's ~s, get power of standing or walking; keep one's ~s, not fall; ~ before wicket, abbr. l.b.w., illegal stopping of cricket ball by batsman's ~; SHA ~s). 2. ~ of animal as food (~ of mutton; ~ of mutton seal, sleeve, so shaped). 3. Obelance made by drawing back one ~ (usu. make a ~; arch.). 4. # Swindler (for MAKE ~s). 5. (Cricket) part of field to right rear of batsman in position (~

stump, stump nearest this; long, short, square, ~, fielders variously posted in it; hit to ~). 6. Artificial ~ (cork, wooden, etc., ~). 7. Part of garment covering ~. 8. Support, pole, prop, of machine etc.; support of chair, table, bed, etc.; one branch of forked object; side of triangle other than base. 9. (Naut.) run made on single tack (usu. long, short, ~). 10. Give ~-ball, decamp; ~-BYE; ~-guard, pad for ankle, shin, & knee, in cricket; ~-pull (colloq.), an attempt to befoul a person; ~-rest, support for seated invalid's ~; ~ theory (Cricket), bowling to ~ with fieldsmen massed on that side. Hence (-)~GEN² (-gd), ~LESS, aa. 11. v.i. ~ it, walk or run hard; (v.t.) propel (boat) through canal-tunnel by pushing with ~s against tunnel-sides, whence ~G'ER² (-g-) n. [f. ON *legg* limb, perh. cogn. w. Gk *laktizō* kick, L *lacetus* arm]

lëg'ac'y, n. Sum of money or article given by will; material or immaterial thing handed down by predecessor; ~ hunter, person who pays court to another to secure ~. [f. OF *legacie* legateship (LEGATE, -ACY)]

lëg'al, a. Of, based on, falling within province of, occupied with, law; required or appointed by law (~ tender, money that creditor is bound to accept in payment); recognized by law as distinguished from equity; lawful, whence ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n.: (Theol.) of the Mosaic law, of salvation by works not faith. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *legalis* (lex legis law, -al), cf. LEAL, LOYAL]

lëg'al'ism, n. (Theol.) preference of the Law to the Gospel, doctrine of justification by works; exaltation of law or formula, red tape. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

lëg'al'ity, n. Legalism; lawfulness. [f. F *légalité* (LEGAL, -ITY)]

lëg'ate¹, n. Ecclesiastic deputed to represent Pope (~ *à l'air*, one of highest class & full powers), whence lëg'atine¹ (-in) a.; (arch.) ambassador, delegate. Hence ~SHIP (-tship) n. [f. OF *legat* f. L *legatus* p.p. of *legare* commission]

lëg'at'e², v.t. Bequeath (often give & ~). So ~OR² n. [f. L *legare* (prec.), -ATE²]

lëgatee¹, n. Recipient of legacy. [prec., -EE]

lëgä'tion, n. Sending of legate or deputy; body of deputies; diplomatic minister & his suite (esp. when he does not rank as ambassador), his official residence; legateship. [f. L *legatio* (LEGATE¹, -ION)]

lëga'tō (-ah-), mus. direction. Smoothly, without breaks. [It., = bound (L *ligare* bind)]

lë'gend, n. Collection of lives of saints or similar stories, esp. the (Golden) L~, particular 18th-c. collection (hist.); traditional story popularly regarded as historical, myth, such literature or tradition (so in ~), whence ~ARY¹ a.;

inscription or motto, esp. on coin or medal. Hence ~RY(5) n. [f. F *légende* f. med. L *legenda* what is read (L *legere* read)]

lë'ger. Var. of LEDGER a.

lë'gerdëmain', n. Sleight of hand, conjuring tricks, juggling; trickery, sophistry. [f. F *léger de main* light of hand]

lëgg'ing (-g-), n. (usu. pl.). Outer covering of leather etc. for leg usu. up to knee. [-ING¹]

lëgg'ly (-g-), a. Lanky-legged (esp. of boy, colt, puppy). Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

lëghorn' (-görn), n. Kind of straw plaiting for hats etc.; kind of domestic fowl. [imported f. L~ (now *Livorno*) in Italy]

lë'gible, a. (Of handwriting or print) clear, easily read. Hence ~IBLY n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. LL *legibilis* (*legere* read, -IBLE)]

lë'gion (-jñ), n. Division of 3,000-6,000 men, including complement of cavalry, in ancient Roman army; || *British L~*, national association of ex-service men formed 1921 & incorporated 1925 by Royal Charter; *foreign ~*, body of foreign volunteers in modern, esp. French, army; vast host, multitude, or number (*their name is L~*, they are numberless, see *Mark* v. 9); *L~ of Honour*, French order of distinction. [OF, f. L *legionem* noun. -o (*legere* choose)]

lë'gionary (-jo-), a. & n. (Soldier) of (a) legion(s). [f. L *legionarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

lë'gioned (-jond), a. (poet.). In legions. [-ED¹]

lëgisla'tion, n. (Enacting of) laws. Hence **lë'gisla'tive** a., **lë'gisla'tively**² adv. [f. LL *legislatio* (*lex legis* law, *latio* proposing f. *lat-* part. st. of *ferre* bring, -ION)]

lë'gisla'tor, n. Lawgiver, member of legislative body. Hence ~**âte** (by back formation) v.i., ~**atör**¹IAL a. (rare), ~**ätress** n. [L (as prec., -OR²)]

lë'gisla'ture, n. Legislative body of a State. [after prec., -URE]

lë'gist, n. Person versed in law. [f. F *légiste* f. med. L *legista* (L *lex legis* law, -IST)]

lëgit'imate¹, a. Born in lawful wedlock (also said of parent, birth, descent, etc.); lawful, proper, regular, conforming to standard type (*the ~ate drama*, body of plays, Shaksperian or other, of recognized merit, also ellipt., sl., *the ~ate*); (of sovereign's title) based on strict hereditary right; logically admissible. Hence ~**ACY** n., ~**atëly**² (-tl-) adv., ~**atëly**(3) v.t. [as foll., -ATE¹]

lëgit'imâte², v.t. Make legitimate by decree, enactment, or proof; justify, serve as justification for. Hence ~**ATION** n. [f. med. L *legitimare* (L *legitimus* lawful f. *lex legis* law), -ATE¹]

lëgit'imizm, n. Adherence to sovereign or pretender whose claim is based on direct descent (esp. in Spanish & French

politics). So ~**IST**(2) n. & a. [f. F *légitimisme* (*légitime* f. L see prec., -ISM)]

lëgit'imize, v.t. Legitimize (see LEGITIMATE¹). Hence ~**ATION** n. [as LEGITIMATE¹, -IZE]

lëg'um, n. genit. pl. (abbr. LL.). Of laws (in titles of academic degrees). [L (*lex* law)]

lëg'ume, **lëgüm'en**, n. Fruit, edible part, pod, of leguminous plant; vegetable used for food. [F (*légume*), f. L (-en) f. *legere* pick]

lëgüm'inous, a. Of, like, of the botanical family of, pulse. [LEGUMEN -inis, -OUS]

Leibnit'zian (lib-), a. & n. (Follower) of G. W. Leibnitz (d. 1716) or his philosophy. [-IAN]

leis'ter (lës-), n., & v.t. Pronged salmon-spear; (vb) spear with this. [f. ON *lödstr* (*löd* to strike)]

leisur'e (lëzh'er), n. (Opportunity to do, for, afforded by) free time, time at one's own disposal (*wait etc. one's ~e*, wait till he has ~e; *at ~e*, not occupied, also deliberately, without hurry; *at one's ~e*, when one has time). Hence ~**ED**² (lëzh'er), ~**ERLESS** (-erl-), aa. [f. OF *leisir* n. use of infin. f. L *licere* be allowed; see -URE]

leis'urely (lëzh'er-), a. & adv. Having, acting or done at, leisure, deliberate; hence ~**INESS** n.; (adv.) deliberately, without haste. [-LY^{1,2}]

leit-motte, -if (lit'mötëf'), n. (mus.). Theme associated throughout piece with some person, situation, or sentiment. [G (LEAD², MOTIVE)]

|| **lëm'an**, n. (arch.). Lever, sweetheart; unlawful lover or (usu., in mod. archaic use) mistress. [ME *leufmon* (LIEF, MAN)]

lëmm'a, n. (pl. ~**ta**, ~**s**). Assumed or demonstrated proposition used in argument or proof; argument or subject of literary composition, dictionary article, annotation, etc., prefixed as heading; motto appended to picture etc. [Gk (-ê) f. *lambanô* take, see -M]

lëmm'ing, n. Small arctic rodent resembling field-mouse. [Norw.]

lëm'on¹, n. Pale-yellow oval acid-juiced fruit used for flavouring & for making the beverage ~**ADE**(1) (-äd') n.; **SALT** of ~, an oxalate used in removing ink-stains; tree bearing ~s; pale-yellow colour; (sl.) unattractive girl (cf. **PRACH**¹); ~**drop**, sugar-plum flavoured with ~; ~ **kali**, effervescing drink of tartaric acid, soda bicarbonate, & water; ~**plant**, ~scented verbena; ~ **pudding** (flavoured with ~); || ~ **squash**, drink of ~-juice & soda-water; ~**squeezer**, instrument for pressing juice out. Hence ~**Y**² a. [f. F *limon* f. Oriental sources (Arab. *laimun*, Pers. *limun*), cf. **LYME**¹]

lëm'on², n. (Usu. ~ **dob**, ~ **sole**) kind of plaice resembling sole. [f. F *limande*]

lëm'ör, n. Kinds of nocturnal mammal esp. of Madagascar, allied to monkeys but with pointed muzzle. Hence ~**lëm'örism**¹ a.,

lēm'ūroid a. & n. [f. L *lemures* pl. spirits of the dead]

lend, v. t. (*lēt*). Grant (person) use of (thing) on understanding that it or its equivalent shall be returned; let out (money) at interest, (books etc.); so *~ing-library* for hire; bestow, contribute, (something of temporary service or effect, as *enchantment, aid, dignity*; *~ ear*, an ear, one's ears, listen; *~ a hand* or *helping hand*, help; arch., *~ person a box on the ear*); accommodate oneself to some policy or purpose (thing *~s itself to*, is serviceable for); *Lend-Lease*, (later form of LEASE)¹. *Lend*. Hence *~ABLE* a., *lēn'der*¹, *lēn'ding*¹ (1, 4), nn. [earlier *len*, OE *lēnan* (cf. Du. *leenen*, G. *leihen*) f. *lān* LOAN]

length, n. 1. Thing's measurement from end to end, greatest of body's three dimensions (*know ~ of person's foot*). 2. Extent in, of, or with regard to, time (*a stay of some ~*; *the ~ of a book, speech*, etc.). 3. Distance thing extends (*at arm's ~*, as far away as an arm can reach; *keep one at arm's ~*, avoid intimacy with him; *ships a cable's ~ apart*; *horse, boat, wins by three etc. ~s*, i.e. of itself). 4. (With *go*) degree of thoroughness in action (*prepared to go all ~s*, *went to great ~s*, *will not go the ~ of asserting*). 5. (Pros.) vowel's or syllable's quantity. 6. (Cricket) distance from wicket at which ball pitches (*bowler keeps a good ~*; *~ or good-~ ball*, that pitches at right ~). 7. Long stretch or extent; piece of cloth etc. of certain ~. 8. *At ~*, in detail or without curtailment (also *at full, great, some, ~*), at last or after a long time; *at full ~* (see above; also) lying with body fully extended. Hence *~WAYS* (-āz) adv., *~WISE* (-iz) adv. & a. [OE *lengthu*, cf. Du. *lenpte*, (LONG)]

lēng'then, v. t. & i. Make or become longer; (Pros.) make (vowel) long. [-EN¹]

lēng'th'y, a. (Of speech, writing, style, speaker, etc.) of unusual length, prolix, tedious. Hence *~IRY*² adv., *~INESS* n. [-Y²; orig. an Americanism]

lēn'tient (-nye-), a. Emollient (arch.); tolerant, gentle, indisposed to severity; (of punishment etc.) mild. Hence *~ENCE*, *~ENCY*, nn., *~ently*² adv., (-nye-). [f. L *lenire* soothe (*lenis* gentle), -ENT]

Lēn'inism, n. Policy & economic principles of Lenin (assumed name of V. I. Ulianov (d. 1924), leader of the Russian Revolution of 1917). [-ISM]

lēn'tive, a. & n. Soothing (drug, appliance), palliative. [f. mod. L *lenitivus* LENTIENT, -IVE]

lēn'ty, n. Mercifulness; mercy shown. [f. L *lenitas* (*lenis* gentle, -TY)]

lēn'tō, n. Kind of cotton gauze for caps, veils, curtains, etc. [perh. f. F *linon*]

lēns (-z), n. (pl. *~es*). Lentil-shaped glass with both sides (or one only) curved for concentrating or dispersing light-rays; of *~es* in photography;

(Anat.) = CRYSTALLINE ~, also one facet of compound eye. Hence *~ES*¹ (-zd), *~LESS* (-z), aa. [L *lens lentis* lentil]

Lēnt¹, n. Period from Ash Wednesday to Easter Eve of which the 40 week-days are devoted to fasting & penitence in commemoration of Christ in the wilderness; || (pl., at Cambridge) *~term* boat-races; || *~ Lily*, daffodil; || *~ term*, university term in which *~ falls*. [f. LENTEN]

lent². See LEND.

-lent, suf. in adj. f. L, = -FUL; the L suf. is normally preceded by *-u-* (*turbulentus*); but *pestilentus*, *violentus*.

Lēn'ten, l-, a. Of, in, or appropriate to, Lent (*~ fare*, without meat; *~ face*, dismal look). [prop. n., of which the attrib. use is now regarded as adj. = LENT¹ + -EN²; orig. sense *spring*, now obs. in E, but the only sense in cogn. Teut. wds; OE *lencen*, cf. G *lenz*, prob. f. same root as LONG perh. w. ref. to lengthening of day in spring]

lēntic'ular, a. Shaped like lentil or lens, double-convex; of the lens of the eye. [f. LL *lenticularis* (foll., -AR¹)]

lēn'til, n. (Seed of) leguminous plant grown for food. [F (-lle), f. L *lenticula* (LENS, -CULE)]

lēn'tisk, n. The mastie tree. [f. L *lentiscus*]

lēn'titūde, n. Sluggishness. [f. L *lentitudo* (*lentus* slow, -TUDE)]

lēn'tō, mus. direction. Slowly. [It.]

lēn'toid, a. Lens-shaped. [LENS, -OID]

Lē'ō, n. Zodiacal constellation the LION; fifth sign of the zodiac. [L, = LEON]

Lē'onid, n. One of the meteors that seem to radiate from Leo. [f. L *leo -onis*, -ID¹]

lē'online¹, a. Lionlike, of lions. [f. L *leoninus* (prec., -INE²)]

Lē'online², a. & n. Of, made or invented by, person (esp. one of the Popes) called Leo; *~ City*, part of Rome round Vatican fortified by Leo IV; *~ verse*, line (also *~ as n.*) or lines of medieval Latin verse in hexameter or elegiac metre with internal rhyme (e.g. *Daemon languebat, monachus tunc esse volebat*). [as prec.; inventor of *~ verse* unknown]

leo'pard (lēp-), n. Large African & S.-Asiatic carnivorous quadruped with dark-spotted yellowish-fawn coat, panther, (*black ~*, black-coated kind; *American ~*, jaguar; *hunting ~*, cheetah; *snow ~*, ounce; *can the ~ change his spots?*, character persists); (Her.) lion passant guardant as in arms of England; (in names of animals etc.) *~*, spotted like *~*. Hence *~ESS*¹ n. [OF, f. LL f. late Gk *leopardos* (LEON, PARD)]

Lēp'cha, n. One of a race of people inhabiting Sikkim & parts of Tibet.

lēp'er, n. Person with leprosy. [perh. attrib. use of obs. *leper* leprosy f. OF *lepre* f. L f. Gk *lepra* fem. of *lepros* scaly (*lepos* scale)]

lepidóp'terious, a. Of the *Lepidoptera*, order of insects with four membranous scale-covered wings including butterflies & moths. So ~IST(3) n. [f. Gk *lepis* -idos scale, *pteron* wing. -OUS]

lep'orine, a. Of the hare kind. [f. L *leporinus* (*lepus* -oris hare, -INE¹)]

lèprechaun' (-x; see Ap.), n. (Irish). Sprite. [perh. f. OIr. *luchorpdn* (lu small, corp body)]

lep'rosy, n. (In mod. Path.) an endemic chronic constitutional disease, *Elephantiasis Graecorum*, varying in manifestations as the skin, nerves, or other tissues are affected; (pop., partly by confusion with PSORIASIS, formerly *Lepra Graecorum*) loathsome disease eating body slowly away & forming silvery scales on skin; (fig.) moral corruption or contagion. [foll., -Y]

lep'rous, a. Having, like, (as) of, leprosy. [OF, f. LL *leprosus* (*lepra* see LEPER, -OSE¹)]

lepto-, comb. form of Gk *leptos* fine, small, thin, delicate, in zool. & bot. terms, as ~cephá'lic narrow-skulled, ~dac'tyl n. & a. (bird) with long slender toes.

Lès'bian (-z), a. Of Lesbos (~ vice, SAPHISM). [L f. Gk *Lesbios* (Lesbos), -AN]

lèse-majesté (láz mázh'està), n. = foll. (in frequent use about foreign States, & joc. of presumptuous conduct on the part of inferiors etc.). [F]

lèse-maj'estý (lèz-), n. (civil law). Treason. [f. F *lèse-majesté* f. L *laesa majestas* injured majesty (of the sovereign people)]

lès'ion (-zhn), n. Damage, injury, esp. (Path.) morbid change in functioning or texture of organs. [f. F *lésion* f. L *laesionem* nom. -o (*laedere laes* -injure, -ION)]

lèss, a., prep., n., & adv. 1. adj. (Of abstracts expressing measurement, as size, degree, duration, number) smaller (opp. greater; in a ~ degree, of ~ magnitude or importance); of smaller quantity, not so much, not so much of, (opp. more; find ~ difficulty; eat ~ meat; of two evils choose the ~; may your shadow never be ~, may you not grow thin); of lower rank etc. (rare; no ~ a person than; James the L~). 2. prep. Minus, deducting, (a year ~ three days). 3. n. Smaller amount, quantity, or number (cannot take ~; in ~ than no time, joc., very quickly or soon; often far, little, much, nothing, something, ~; expected nothing ~ than an attack, expected an attack & no milder procedure, but see under the adv.). 4. adv. To smaller extent, in lower degree, (often none the, no, not the, ~; ~ known etc. or ~-known etc.; do not suspect him of equivocation, still ~ or much ~ of lying; nothing ~, anything rather; expected nothing ~ than an attack, did not expect attack at all, but see the new usu. sense under n.). [OE *læs* adv., *læssa* adj., cf. OFris. *læs* & *læsa*]

-less, suf. f. OE *léas* (used both as separate adj. in sense free from, devoid of, & as suf.) forming adj. (guileless, homeless) & adv. (doubleless) f. nn. On anal. of compds in which the component n. was of same form as the corr. vb (countless, dauntless, numberless) & the sense was unable, -less has been appended to vbs (resistless, despicableless, tireless).

lèssée', n. Holder of, tenant (of house, theatre, etc.) under, lease. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *lessé* (LEASE¹, -ER)]

lèss'en, v.i. & t. Decrease, diminish. [-EN⁶]

lèss'er, a. (attrib. only). Not so great as the other or the rest, minor, (*the L~ Bear*; *the ~ evils of life*). [double comparat.; LESS + -ER³]

lèss'on, n., & v.t. 1. One of two readings from O.T. (*first* ~) & N.T. (*second* ~) at morning & evening prayer (PROPER ~); thing to be learnt by pupil; amount of teaching given at one time, time assigned to it, (pl.) systematic instruction in subject (*give, take, ~s in*); occurrence, example, rebuke, or punishment, that serves as encouragement or warning. 2. v.t. Admonish, rebuke, discipline. [f. OF *lecon* (now *leçon*) f. L *lectionem* (*legere* lect-read, -ION)]

lèss'or, n. Person who lets on lease. [AF (LEASE¹, -OR²)]

lèst, conj. In order that — not, for fear that; (after fear vb or n., & similar words) that. [OE *thý læs* the whereby less; *thý* was dropped in ME, & *les* the became *les* te by normal change]

lèt, v.t. (arch.; *letted* or *let*), & n. 1. Hinder, obstruct. 2. n. Stoppage, hindrance, (arch.); (Rackets, Lawn Tennis, etc.) obstruction of ball or player in certain ways, requiring round to be played again. [OE *lettan*, cf. OHG *letzan*]

lèt², v.t. & aux. (*let*), & n. 1. v.t. Allow (liquid, air) to escape (~ BLOOD); grant use of for rent or hire (also intr. in pass. sense, as *the rooms ~ well*; *to ~, offered for rent*; || n., ~ting, as *cannot get a ~ for the rooms*); allow to, suffer to, (*we ~ them go*; *I was ~ see him*; pass. now rare, & occas. followed by *to*); cause to (only in ~ one know, inform him). 2. ~ alone, not interfere with, attend to, or do (~ WELL³ alone; ~ one alone to do, he may be trusted to; ~ alone imperat., not to mention, far less or more); ~ be, not interfere with, attend to, or do; ~ down, lower, fall (friend) at need, disappoint (~ him down gently, avoid humiliating abruptly), (n.) disappointment; ~ DRIVE¹; ~ fall, drop (lit., & fig. hint, significant word) intentionally or by accident, (Geom.) draw (perpendicular) from outside point (upon line; ~ FLY¹; ~ go, release, set at liberty, lose hold of, lose or relinquish hold of, dismiss from thought, cease to restrain (~ oneself go,

give way to enthusiasm, impulse, etc.); ~ *in*, admit or open door to (~ *in a flood of light*; *this would ~ in all sorts of evils*; ~ *oneself in*, with latchkey etc.), insert into surface of something, involve in loss or difficulty (often *for*); ~ (trans.) *into*, admit to, insert into surface of, make acquainted with (secret etc.); ~ (intr. or abs.) *into*, assail with blows or words; ~ *loose*, release or unchain (dog, fury, maniac, etc.); ~ *off* adv., discharge (gun, & fig. joke etc.), not punish or compel, punish with light penalty, allow or cause (fluid etc.) to pass away, (n., ~ *off*) being allowed to escape something (esp. in cricket, not being caught etc. when there is a chance); ~ *off* prep., excuse (person penalty); ~ *on*, sl., peach, reveal secret, betray fact; ~ (trans.) *out*, open door for exit to, allow (person etc., secret) to escape (~ *cat out of bag*), make (garment) looser, put out to hire esp. to several tenants, divulge (often *that*); ~ (intr. or abs.) *out*, strike out with fist, lash out with heels, use strong language; ~ *slip*, loose from leash, miss (opportunity); ~ *up* (colloq.), become less severe, diminish; ~ *up* n., cessation, diminution. 3. v. aux. supplying 1st & 3rd persons of imperat. in exhortations (~ *us pray*; ~ *you & me try now*), commands (~ *it be done*, ~ *him do it, at once*), assumptions (~ *AB be equal to CD*), & permissions (~ *him do his worst*). [com. Teut.; OE *létan*, cf. G *lassen*, cogn. w. LATE & L *lassus* tired] -let, suf. forming nn. usu. dim. (*ringlet*, *streamlet*), but occas. denoting articles of attire or ornament (*armilet*, *fronilet*); -let appears to come f. wrong division of wds taken f. OF diminutives in which -*el(e)* is added to nn. in -*el* (f. L -*ellus*, -*ella*, -*ellum*, dim. suff., or L -*ale* neut. adj. used as n.), as *chapelet*, *hamelet*, f. OF *chapelet*, *hamelet*, dimm. of *chapel*, *hamel*, mod. F *chapeau*, *hameau*.

lêth'al, a. Causing, sufficient or designed to cause, death (~ *chamber*, for killing animals painlessly). [f. L *lêthalis* (letum death, -AL)]

lêth'arg'ý, n. Morbid drowsiness, prolonged & unnatural sleep; torpid, inert, or apathetic state, want of interest & energy. So **lêthar'gic** a., **lêthar'gic**ally adv., ~-**ISM**(3) v.t. [f. L f. Gk *lêthargia* (*lêthargos* forgetful f. *lêth-*, *lathano* forget), -Y¹]

Lêth'ê, n. (River in Hades producing) forgetfulness of the past. So **Lêth'ê'an** a. [L, use of Gk *lêthê* forgetfulness, see prec.]

Lêtt, n. Member of a people living about the Baltic; = **LETTISH** n. [see **LETTISH**]

lêtt'er, n., & v.t. 1. Character representing one or more of the simple or compound sounds used in speech, one of the alphabetic symbols, (*capital* ~, of the large form A, B, etc., opp. *small*, a, b, etc.; **ROMAN**, **ITALIC**, ~); (*Print.*) *type*, *font* of

type; (pl.) ~ing, inscription, (now only in PROOF¹ before ~s). 2. Missive, epistle, (~ of advice, notifying dispatch of goods, drawing of bill, etc.; ~ of attorney, & POWER of attorney); (pl.) epistle of legal or formal kind for various purposes (~ PATENT, of ADMINISTRATION, etc.; || ~s of business, royal authority to Convocation to deal with a matter). 3. Precise terms of statement (to the ~, with adherence to every detail), strict verbal interpretation (opp. SPIRIT; esp. in ~ & in spirit, in form & substance). 4. pl. Literature, acquaintance with books, erudition, (*man of ~s*, scholar, author; *commonwealth* or *republic of ~s*, authors as a body; *the profession of ~s*, authorship), whence ~ED² (-erd) a. 5. ~balance, for ascertaining postage of ~s; ~book, in which copies of correspondence are kept; ~bound, too subservient to the ~; || ~box, in which ~s are posted; || ~card, folded card with gummed edge for use as postal missive; ~case, pocket-book for holding ~s; ~lock, kind of padlock opened by making out of certain ~s on it a word known to owner; ~paper, quarto-sized paper for ~s; ~perfect (Theatr.), knowing one's part perfectly; ~press, contents of illustrated book other than the illustrations, printed matter relating to illustration; ~weight, ~balance, also thing used to keep papers still on table; ~worship, undue devotion to the ~; ~writer, lit., also as title for manuals of ~writing; hence ~LESS a. 6. v.t. Impress title etc. on (book-cover); classify with ~s; hence ~ING¹(1, 6) n. [f. OF *lêttre* f. L *littera* ~ of alphabet, (pl.) epistle]

Lêtt'ic, a. & n. =foli.; (of) the group of languages comprising Lettish, Lithuanian, & Old Prussian; of these peoples. [as foll., -ic]

Lêtt'ish, a. & n. (Language) of the Letts. [*Lett* f. G *Lette* f. native *Latvi* + -ISH¹]

lêtt'uce (-tis), n. Garden herb with crisp leaves much used as salad (*cabbage*, *cress*, ~, kinds of it). [f. L *lactuca* (lac lactis milk, w. ref. to milky juice of root)]

leuc'o-, comb. form of Gk *leukos* white, as ~*cyte*, colourless corpuscle of blood or found in lymph etc.; ~*pathy* (-ôpê), albinism; ~*rrhoe'a*, mucous discharge from female genitals, the whites.

leukaem'ia, n. (med.). Disease in which there is an excess of white corpuscles in the blood. [f. Gk *leukos* white, *haima* blood]

Lêv, n. (pl. ~a). Bulgarian monetary unit, formerly equivalent to the franc. [Bulg., -lion]

Lêvânt', n. Eastern part of Mediterranean with its islands & neighbouring countries; ~ **MOROCCO**. [F, part. of *lever* rise, used as a. = sunrise, east, f. L *levare* lift (*leva* light)]

|| **lěvánt'**², v.i. Abscond, bolt, esp. with betting or gaming losses unpaid. Hence **lěvánt'er'**¹-ER¹ n. [perh. f. Sp. *levantar el campo* break up camp (*levar* f. L *levare* lift)]

lěvánt'er'², n. (L~) inhabitant of Levant; strong Mediterranean easterly wind. [LEVANT¹, -ER¹]

Lěvánt'ine, a. & n. Of, trading to, inhabitant of, the Levant. [-INE¹]

lěvát'or, n. (Also ~-*muscle*) muscle that raises organ. [LL (L *levare* lift, -OR²)]

lěv'ee'¹ (-vī), n. (Formerly) reception of visitors on rising from bed; assembly held by sovereign or his representative at which men only are received; assembly of visitors. [f. F *levé* var. of *lever*, see LEVANT¹]

***levee'** (livé', lěv'D), n. Embankment against river floods. [f. F *levée* fem. p.p. of *lever* raise, see LEVANT¹]

lěv'el, n., a. & v.t. (-il-). 1. Instrument giving line parallel to plane of horizon for testing whether things are horizontal; horizontal line or plane (*on a ~ with*, in same horizontal plane as; *find one's ~*, reach right place with regard to others; *water finds its ~*, its surface in communicating receptacles will be at same ~ unless they have no common ~); plane or standard in social, moral, or intellectual matters; more or less ~ surface; flat country; *on the ~* (colloq.), truthful(ly), honest(ly). 2. adj. Horizontal, perpendicular to the plumb-line; *on a ~* or equality (*with*, or abs.; ~ *race*, in which leading competitors are close together; || ~ *CROSSING*); even, equable, uniform, well-balanced, in quality, style, temper, judgement, etc. (~-headed; *do one's ~ best*, not be remiss, take all possible pains); hence ~LY³ adv. (rare), ~NESS n. 3. v.t. Make ~, even, or uniform; place on same ~, bring up or down to a standard; *raise, lay low, (to or with the ground, in the dust, or abs.)*; (rarely) knock (person) down; abolish (distinctions); aim (missile, or abs.), lay (gun), direct (satire, accusation, or abs.), (*at or against*); ~ling-screw, for adjusting parts of machine etc. to exact ~. [f. OF *livel* (now *niveau*) f. L *libella* dim. of *libra* balance]

lěv'eller, n. In vbl senses; esp., person who would abolish social distinctions, advocate of equality. [-ER¹]

lěv'er, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Bar used to prize up heavy or fixed object; (Mech.) straight bar or other rigid structure of which one point (*fulcrum*) is fixed, another is connected with the force (*weight*) to be resisted or acted upon, & a third is connected with the force (*power*) applied (~ of *first order* with *fulcrum*, of *second order* with *weight*, of *third order* with *power*, between the other two); piece by which barrel of breechloader is opened; = ~ watch; ~, acting as or worked by ~;

~ *escapement*, with connexion between pallet & balance made by two ~s; ~ watch, with ~ *escapement*. 2. vb. Use ~; lift, move, act on, with ~ (often *along, away, out, over, up*, etc.). [f. OF *leveour* (*lever* see LEVANT¹), -OR²]

lěv'erage, n. Action of, way of applying, lever; set or system of levers; power, mechanical advantage gained by use, of lever; means of accomplishing a purpose, power, influence. [-AGE]

lěv'erét, n. Young (esp. first-year) hare. [f. OF *levrete* (*levre* f. L *leporem* noun. -us hare, -ET³)]

lěv'athan, n. Sea monster (Bibl.); huge ship; anything very large of its kind; person of formidable ability, power, or wealth. [L, f. Heb. *lěvyathan* etym. dub.]

lěv'ig'âte, v.t. Reduce to fine smooth powder; make smooth paste of. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *levigare* (*lěvis* smooth), -ATE³]

lěv'in, n. (poet.). (Flash of) lightning. [ME *leven*, etym. dub.]

lěv'ir'ate, n. Jewish etc. custom by which dead man's brother or next of kin had to marry his widow. Hence ~AT'IOAL aa. [f. I. *levir* brother-in-law + -ATE¹]

lěv'it'âte, v.i. & t. (Make) rise & float in air (w. ref. to spiritualism). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *lěvis* light, after GRAVITATION]

Lěv'ite, n. One of tribe of Levi, esp. of that part of it which provided assistants to priests in worship of Jewish temple. [f. I. f. Gk *leuitēs* (*Leut* f. Heb. *Levi*)]

Lěv'it'ic'al, a. Of Levites or the tribe of Levi; of Levites' ritual; of Leviticus. So ~ISM(S) n. [f. LL f. Gk *leuitikos* (prec., -IO) + -AL]

Lěv'it'icus, n. (abbr. *Lev.*). Third book of Pentateuch with Levitical law & ritual. [prec.]

lěv'it'y, n. Lightness of weight (rare); want of thought, frivolity, unseasonable jocularity, inconstancy; light behaviour. [f. OF *levité* f. L *levitatem* (*lěvis* light, -TY)]

levulose. See LAEVULOSE.

lěv'y, n., & v.t. 1. Collecting of assessment, tax, etc. (*capital ~*, appropriation by the State of a fixed proportion of all the wealth in the country); enrolling of men for war etc. (~ *in mass*, of all able-bodied men); amount or number levied. body of men enrolled (also pl.). 2. v.t. Raise (contribution, taxes), impose (rate, toll), whence lěv'IABLE a.; raise (sum) by legal execution or process on person's goods; extort (~ *blackmail*); enlist, enrol, (soldiers, army); collect men & munitions for, proceed to make, (war; usu. *upon, against*). [f. F *levée* (*lever* see LEVANT¹, -Y³)]

lěw'd, a. Base, worthless, (Bibl.); lascivious, unchaste, indecent, whence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *lěwde*; earlier senses *law, unlearned*; perh. an LAT² + -ED¹]

lew'is (lō-), *n.* Iron contrivance for gripping heavy blocks of stone for lifting; son of a freemason. [†]

Lew'is gūn (lō-), *n.* Kind of light machine gun. [I. N. Lewis, inventor]

lew'isite (lō-), *n.* A blister gas used in chemical warfare. [W. L. Lewis, -ITE¹(2)]

lēx'ical, *a.* Of the words of a language (opp. *grammatical*); (as) of a lexicon. Hence **~LY²** *adv.* [f. Gk *lexikos*, & **LEXICON**, + **-AL**]

lēxícōg'raphy, *n.* Dictionary-making. So **lēxícōg'RAPHER** *n.*, **lēxícōGRAPH'ICAL** *a.* [coll., -**GRAPHY**]

lēx'ícon, *n.* Dictionary, esp. of Greek, Hebrew, Syriac, or Arabic. [Gk (-*kon*), neut. of *lexikos* (*lexis* word f. *legō* speak, -*ŏ*)]

lēxig'raphy, *n.* System of writing in which each character represents a word. [lexis, see prec., -**GRAPHY**]

lēx tālūn'is, *n.* The law of retaliation, an eye for an eye. [L.]

ley (lā), *n.* Land temporarily under grass. [var. of **LEA¹**]

Ley'den (lī-), *n.* Dutch city (~ *for*, kind of electrical condenser invented 1745 at ~; ~ *battery*, of several ~ jars).

li (lā), *n.* Chinese mile (about 633 yds); Chinese weight (about $\frac{1}{2}$ gr.). [Chin.]

liabil'ity, *n.* Being liable || (*limited* ~, being responsible only to limited amount for debts of trading company; so *limited* ~ *company*, or ellipt. *limited company*); what one is liable for, (pl.) debts or pecuniary obligations. [coll., -**ILITY**]

li'able, *a.* Legally bound, answerable for, subject or amenable to tax or penalty, under obligation to do; exposed or open to, apt to do or suffer, something undesirable (*difficulties are ~ to occur*). [perh. f. L. ⁺*ligabilis* (*ligare* bind, -**ABLE**)]

liais'ion (-zn), *n.* 1. Illicit intimacy between a man & a woman. 2. Sounding of ordinarily silent final consonant before vowel or mute *h* in French. 3. (Mil.) connexion, touch, (~ *officer*, acting as go-between for allied forces). [F, f. L. *ligationem* (*ligare* bind, -**ATION**)]

li'ana (-ah-), **liane'** (-ahn), *n.* Kinds of climbing & twining tropical-forest plant. [F (-e), perh. f. *lier* bind f. L as prec.; -*a* form a Latinization of -e]

li'ar, *n.* Teller (esp. habitual) of lies. [OE *lēgere* (LE², -AR³)]

li'as, *n.* Blue limestone rock of some S.-W. counties; (Geol.) lower strata of Jurassic series, blue argillaceous limestone rich in fossils. Hence **liās'sio** *a.* [f. OF *liois* etym. dub.]

libā'tion, *n.* (Pouring of) drink-offering to god; (Joc.) potation. [f. L. *libatio* (*libare* pour a little of, -**ATION**)]

lib'el, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-li-). 1. (Civil & Eccl. Law) plaintiff's written declaration; (Law) published statement damaging to person's reputation, act of publishing it (the

greater the truth, the greater the ~); (pop.) false & defamatory statement, (transf.) thing that brings discredit on by unsuccessful portrayal etc. (*the portrait is a ~ on him*; *the book, play, is a ~ on human nature*); hence **~list**(1) *n.*, **~lous** *a.*, **~lously²** *adv.* 2. *v.t.* Defame by ~lous statements, accuse falsely & maliciously. (Law) publish ~ against, whence **~ler¹** *n.*; (Eccl. & Admiralty Law) bring suit against, whence **~lant**(1). **~lee'**, *nn.* [vb f. *n.*, OF, f. L. *libellus* dim. of *liber* book]

lib'eral, *a.* & *n.* 1. Fit for a gentleman (now rare exc. in ~ *education*, i.e. directed to general enlargement of mind, not professional or technical); generous, open-handed, not sparing of; ample, abundant; not rigorous or literal; open-minded, candid, unprejudiced; (Pol.) favourable to democratic reforms & abolition of privilege (esp. *L~ party*; cf. **CONSERVATIVE**); *L~ Conservative*, member of Conservative party not ill disposed to reforms; *L~ Unionist*, member of section that seceded from *L~ party* in 1886 on Home Rule, whence **~ism**(3) *n.*, **~ist**(2) *n.* & *a.*, **~is'tio** *a.*, **~ize**(3) *v.t.* & (rarely) *i.*, **~iza'tion** *n.*; hence **~ly²** *adv.* 2. *n.* (*L~*) member of (esp. the British) *L~ party*. [OF, f. L. *liberalis* (*liber* free (man), -**AL**)]

liberal'ity, *n.* Free giving, munificence; freedom from prejudice, breadth of mind. [f. OF *liberalité* f. L. *liberalitatem* (prec., -**TY**)]

lib'erātē, *v.t.* Set at liberty, release from (in Chem., from combination). Hence **~or²** *n.* [f. L. *liberare* (*liber* free), -**ATRE²**]

liberā'tion, *n.* Releasing, release; || *L~ Society*, advocating church disestablishment, whence **~ism**(3) *n.*, **~ist**(2) *n.* & *a.*, (-*sho*-). [f. L. *liberatio* (prec., -**ATION**)]

libertār'ian, *n.* & *a.* Believer, believing, in free will (opp. *necessitarian*); advocate of liberty. Hence **~ism**(3) *n.* [-**ARIAN**]

libert'icide, *n.* & *a.* Destroyer, destructive, of liberty. [F (LIBERTY, -**ICIDE**)]

lib'ertin'e, *n.* & *a.* Free-thinker on religion; licentious (man); free-thinking, antinomian; *chartered ~e*, person allowed to do as he pleases (Shak. *Hen. V.* i. i. 48). Hence **~ism**(2) & (in same sense) **~AGR**, *nn.* [f. L. *libertinus* freedman (*libertus* made free, cogn. w. *liber* free)]

lib'erty, *n.* 1. Being free from captivity, imprisonment, slavery, or despotic control (as¹ of ~; *natural* ~, state in which there are no laws; *civil* ~, *natural* ~ limited only by laws established on behalf of community; ~ of *conscience*, system allowing all members of State to follow what form of religion seems good to them; ~ of *the press*, system by which anyone may print & publish what he pleases without previous permission, but not without liability to penalties for publishing libellous or criminal matter). 2. Right or power to do as one pleases or

to do something; (Philos.) freedom from control of fate or necessity. 3. A setting aside of rules, licence, (*take the ~ to do, of doing*, presume or venture to; *take liberties*, be unduly familiar with person or abs., deal freely with rules or facts). 4. Freedom from despotic rule personified. 5. pl. Privileges, immunities, or rights, enjoyed by prescription or grant. 6. At ~, free (*set at ~*, liberate), having the right to do, disengaged; ~ HALL; ~ man, sailor with leave to go ashore. [f. F *liberté* f. L *libertatem* (liber free, -TY)]

libid'itous, a. Lustful. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *libidinosus* (*libido -inis* lust, -OUS)]

libid'ō, n. (psych.). Emotional craving prompting any specific human (esp. sexual) activity. [L. = lust]

lib'ra, n. (pl. -ae). 1. Pound weight (used only in abbr. *lb.*, as 1 lb., 10 lb.); pound sterling (used only in abbr. *£ s. d.*, & *£*, placed after figure as 50*£*). 2. (Astron.; L~) zodiacal constellation the Scales, seventh sign of zodiac. [L]

librā'rian, n. Custodian of library. Hence ~SHIP(1) n. [f. L as full. + -AN]

lib'rāry, n. Room or building containing books for reading or reference; writing & reading room in house; collection of books for use by the public, some part of it, or members of some society, public institution charged with care of such collection, (*lending ~*, from which books may be taken away with or without payment; *reference ~*, in which books may be consulted; *free ~*, used by public without payment & usu. supported by rates; *circulating ~*, letting out use of books for profit); person's book-collection; series of books issued by publisher in similar bindings as connected in some way; books used by or familiar to an author; *walking ~*, person of erudition; ~ *edition*, of good size & print. [f. F *librairie* book-shop (L *librarius* of books f. *liber -bri* book, orig. bark, -ARY¹, + -Y¹)]

librā'te, v.i. Oscillate, be poised, balance, sway, quiver. Hence lib'ratory a. [f. L *librare* (libra balance), -ATE³]

librā'tion, n. Librating (~ of moon, apparent oscillation by which parts near edge of disk are alternately visible & invisible). [f. L *libratio* (prec., -ATION)]

librēt't'ō, n. (pl. -ti, pr. -tē). Book or words of an opera or long musical work. Hence ~IST(1) n. [It., dim. of *libro* book f. L *liber -bri*]

Lib'yan, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of ancient Libya; (poet.) African; (of) the Berber language or the group of mod. Hamitic languages to which it belongs. [f. L f. Gk *Libyē* + -AN]

lice. See LOUSE.

li'cence¹, n. 1. Leave, permission, (*have I your ~ to remove the fence?*); permit from government etc. to marry, print something, preach, carry on some trade (esp.

that in alcoholic liquor), etc. 2. University certificate of competence in some faculty. 3. Liberty of action esp. when excessive, abuse of freedom, disregard of law or propriety; licentiousness. 4. Writer's or artist's irregularity in grammar, metre, perspective, etc. (usu. *poetic ~*). [F, f. L *licentia* (*licere* be lawful, -ENCE)]

li'cence, -ce², v.t. Allow (person to do, thing to be done; rare); (in p.p.) allow complete freedom to (a ~d satirist); grant permit (see prec.) to (person); || ~d VICTUALLER; authorize use of (premises) for certain purpose; authorize publication of (book etc.) or performance of (play). Hence licensen' n. [f. prec.; -se on anal. of *practise*, *prophecy*, v.v., cf. *practice*, *prophecy*, nn.; the distinction perh. comes by init. of spelling in pairs like *advise*, *advice*, where the sound differs]

li'censer, n. In vbl senses; esp. ~ of the press, ~ of plays, officials licensing publication or performance when satisfied that law, morals, & decency are not outraged. [-ER¹]

licen'tiate (-shiat), n. Holder of university licence or attestation of competence from collegiate or examining body (chiefly in abbr. L. as part of title); licensed preacher not yet having appointment esp. in Presbyterian Church. [f. med. L *licentiar* (LICENCE²), -ATE³]

licen'tious (-shus), a. Disregarding accepted rules esp. of grammar or style (rare); lascivious, libertine, lowd. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *licentiosus* (LICENCE²), -OSE³]

lich, lych, lyke, n. (obs.). || Corpse; -ch-gate, roofed gateway of churchyard where coffin awaits clergyman's arrival; -ch-house, mortuary; || -ch-owl, screech-owl (boding death); -ch-stone, to place coffin on at ~gate; || lyke-wake, watch kept at night over corpse. [OE *lic*, cf. Gk *leiche*; orig. sense prob. *form*, cf. LIKE]

li'chen (-k-), n. Kinds of cellular cryptogamic plant (prob. fungus parasite on alga) usu. of green, grey, or yellow tint growing on & colouring rocks, tree-trunks, etc., whence ~ED² (-kend) a., ~OL'OGY n.; skin-disease with reddish eruption. Hence ~ous a. [f. L f. Gk *leikhēn*]

li'cit, a. Not illicit. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *licitus* (*licere* be lawful)]

lick, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Pass tongue over to taste, moisten, clean, etc. (~ one's chops or lips, in relish or anticipation of food; ~ into shape, mould, make presentable or efficient; ~ one's shoes, show servility to him; ~ the dust, fall, be vanquished); take up or off, make clean, by ~ing; (of waves, flame, etc.) play lightly over, (of flame) swallow up in passing; (sl.) thrash (person, fault out of person), beat in fight or competition, excel, (~s creation,

is beyond everything), whence ~ING¹(I) n.; (sl.) surpass comprehension of (*this ~s me*); (sl.) go, hasten, (*as hard as he could ~*); ~*spittle*, toady. 2. n. Act of ~ing with tongue; (also *salt-~*) spot to which animals resort for salt; smart blow with stick etc.; (sl.) pace (*at a great ~*; *full or at full ~*). [OE *liccan*, cf. G *lecken*; cogn. w. Gk *leikho*, L *linguere*]

lick'erish, liq'uorish (-ker-), a. Fond of dainty fare; greedy, longing; lecherous. [earlier *lickerous* var. through ONF of *lecherous* (see *LECHER*) & retaining its obs. orig. sense]

licorice. See *LIQUORICE*.

licorous. Var. of *lickerous*, *LICKERISH*.

lic'tor, n. Officer attending ancient-Roman consul (12 ~s) & dictator (24 ~s), bearing fasces, & executing sentence on offenders. [L, perh. f. st. of *ligare* bind]

lid, n. Hinged or detached cover for aperture, esp. for opening at top of vessel; *with the ~ off*, with all horrors etc. exposed to view; || *put the ~ on* (sl.), be the culmination (of), surpass all; = *EYE¹-lid*; (Bot., Conch.) operculum. Hence (-)~d'ED¹, ~LESS, na. [OE *lhid*, cf. Du. *lid*, G *augenlid*]

•**lid'ō** (lō-), n. Public open-air swimming pool. [L~, bathing bench in Venice]

lie¹, n. Intentional false statement (*tell a ~*, make this; *act a ~*, deceive without verbal lying; *while ~*, excused or justified by its motive; *give one the ~*, accuse him of lying; *give the ~* to supposition etc., serve to show its falsity, belie it); imposture, false belief, mistaken convention, (*worship, maintain, a ~*). [OE *lyge*, cf. G *lug* & see foll.]

lie², v.i. & t. (*lī'ing*). Speak falsely, tell lie(s), (*you ~ in your teeth, throat*, arch. or joc. forms of accusation); *take away* (reputation etc.), get (oneself, person) into, out of, by lying; (of things) deceive (part., deceptive). [com.-Teut.; OE *lēgan*, cf. Du. *liegen*, G *lügen*, as prec.]

lie³, v.i. (*lī'ing*; past *lay*; p.p. *lain* & bibl. *l'en*). 1. Of persons or animals: Have one's body in more or less horizontal position along ground or surface (often *asleep, sick*, etc.; ~ *DOGGO*; *let sleeping dogs ~*, avoid mooted debatable questions; ~ *on the bed one has made*, endure consequences of past acts); have sexual intercourse *with*; (of the dead) be in the grave at or in, ~ in STATE; assume lying position (usu. *down, back*, etc.); be kept or remain in specified state (~ *in prison, at the mercy of, helpless, idle, OLOSE¹, LOW¹, FERDU, in ambush, in wait¹*; ~ *out of one's money, remain unpaid*); (of game-birds) not rise; (of troops) be encamped at, in, near, a place. 2. Of things: Be at rest, now, more or less horizontally, on surface (~ *in ruins or the dust, be fallen*); ~ *heavy*, be a weight on one's stomach or conscience; be stored up in

specified place (*money lying at the bank*); remain in specified state esp. *waste, hid, barren*; be situated (*land lying high, to the east, round*; *find out how the land ~s*, fig. how affairs stand); be spread out to view (~ *on the surface, before us, open*); (of road) lead *through, by, along, among*, etc.; (of ship) float in berth or at anchor; (of abstracts) exist, be to be found, reside, be arranged or related, in some position or manner (*the choice ~s between —*; *his acquaintance lay among —*; *knows where his interest ~s*; *how do they ~ to each other?*; *as far as in me ~s*, to best of my power; ~ *s with you to do*, is your business or right; *the remedy ~s in education*; *her strength lay in her weakness*; ~ *s in a nutshell*); (Law) be admissible or sustainable (*action, appeal, objection, will not ~*).

3. With advv.: ~ *by*, be unused, keep quiet or retired; ~ *down* in part., behaving in abject manner, not standing up to opponent etc., (*take defeat, chastisement, & esp. it, lying down*); ~ *in*, be brought to bed in childbirth (*lying-in hospital*); ~ *off* (Naut.), stand some distance from shore or other ship; ~ *over*, be deferred; ~ *to* (Naut.), come almost to a stop with head near wind by backing or shortening sail; ~ *up*, go into or be in retirement, take to one's bed or room, (of ship) go into dock or be out of commission. 4. ~-*abed*, late riser. [com.-Teut.; OE *licgan*, cf. Du. *liggen*, G *liegen*, cogn. w. Gk *lekhos*, L *lectus*, bed]

lie⁴, n. Way, direction, or position, in which thing lies; ~ *of the land*, (fig.) posture of affairs; place where beast, bird, or fish, is accustomed to lie. [f. prec.]

Lie'big's extract of beef (lē-), n. Concentrated preparation of beef without albumen, gelatin, or fat. [Baron von Liebig, d. 1873, inventor]

Lied (léd), n. (pl. ~er). German song or poem of ballad kind. [G]

lie⁵, adv. (comp. ~er, rare). Gladly, willingly, (usu. *I would as ~ do something out of the question as*). [prop. adj. (earlier construction being *I had as ~*, i.e. should find it as pleasant, now corrupted to *would*); OE *lēof* dear, cf. G *lieb*, cogn. w. LOVE]

liege, a. & n. 1. (Of superior) entitled to receive, (of vassal) bound to give, feudal service or allegiance (~ *lord*, feudal superior, sovereign; ~ *man*, sworn vassal, faithful follower). 2. n. ~ *lord* (esp. *my ~ voc.*); vassal, subject, (usu. *the ~s*). [f. OF *lige*, perh. f. OHG *ledig* free]

lie'ent (lē'm), n. Right to keep possession of property till debt due in respect of it is discharged (usu. *a ~ on or upon*). [F, f. L *ligamen* (*ligare* bind, -MEN)]

lien¹. See *lie²*.

lie'rne, a. Short rib connecting bowes & intersections of vanishing ribs. [F, etym. dub.]

lieu (liu), n. *In* ~, in the place, instead, of. [F, f. L. locus place]

lieutén'ant (létt-, left-, in navy let-), n. (abbr. Lieut. & in comb. Lt-). Deputy, substitute, vicegerent, acting for a superior (still as formal title in *L- of the Tower*, acting commandant of Tower of London; & see **LORD L-**); ~, ~-colonel, ~-commander, ~-general, OFFICERS of navy & army; ~-governor(ship), (position of) actual governor of district etc. in subordination to governor general. Hence **lieutén'ANCY** n. [F (prec., TENANT)]

life, n. (pl. lives). 1. State of ceaseless change & functional activity peculiar to organized matter, & esp. to the portion of it constituting an animal or plant before death, animate existence, being alive, (a matter of ~ & death, something on which it depends whether one shall live or die; NECESSARY, STAFF, of ~; come, bring, to ~, recover (l. & t.) from swoon; lose, save, lay down, one's ~; safe in, escape with, ~ & limb; SELL one's ~ dear-ly); great sacrifice of ~, many killed; have no regard for human ~, kill men or let them die recklessly; for one's, for dear, ~, to escape death; cannot for the ~ of me etc. by exag., could not if my ~ depended on it; 'pon my ~, asseveration). 2. Energy, liveliness, vivacity, animation; vivifying influence (was the ~, or ~ & soul, of the party; my ~, voc. of affection). 3. Living things & their motions (very little ~ to be seen); the living form or model, ~-size figure etc., (taken from the ~; as large as ~, ~-size, also joc. as here he is as large as ~, i.e. in person; portray etc. to the ~, with fidelity to the original), whence ~-LIKE (-li-) a. 4. Period from birth to death, birth to present time, or present time to death (have done it all my ~; have the time of one's ~, sl., enjoy oneself as never before; ~ sentence, rent, annuity, to continue for rest of person's ~; || lease for three etc. lives, to terminate with last of three etc. named persons' lives; ~ ASSURANCE; INSURE one's ~; expectation of ~, average period that person at specified age may expect to live; a good, bad, ~, person likely to pass, fall short of, this average; new LEASE¹ of ~). 5. Fresh start after narrowly escaped lit. or metaph. death (cat has nine lives, is hard to kill; balesman was given a ~, not put out on giving a chance; pool-player has three lives, successive chances). 6. Individual's actions & fortunes, manner of existence, (with all the pleasure in ~, greatest possible; nothing in ~, at all; this ~, that on earth; the other, future, eternal, everlasting, ~, state of existence after death; the SIMPLE ~; has led a good etc. ~); written story of these, biography. 7. Active part of existence, business & pleasures of the world, (see ~, mix freely with others; high, low, ~, social customs of upper, lower,

classes). 8. (Theol.) salvation, regenerate condition, (also eternal, everlasting, ~, see above also). 9. ~-belt, of buoyant material to support body in water; ~-blood, blood necessary to ~, vitalizing influence, involuntary twitching of lip or eyelid; ~-boat, of special construction for saving ~ in storms; ~-breath, inspiring influence, sustaining principle; ~-BUOY¹; ~-estate, property that one holds for ~ but cannot dispose of further; ~-giving, that gives, sustains, or restores, physical or spiritual ~; ~-guard, body-guard of soldiers; || *L- Guards*, regiment of household cavalry; || *L-Guardsman*, soldier of *L- Guards*; ~ interest, right to ~ estate; ~-jacket, as ~-bell: ~-line, rope used for ~-saving, e.g. that attached to ~-buoy, diver's signalling line, (Palmistry) = line of ~; ~-long, continued for a ~ time; ~-office, for ~-assurance; ~ peer(age), with title lapsing at death; ~-preserver, short stick with heavily loaded end; ~-spring, source of ~; ~-strings, hold on (~-strings are cut or broken, person dies); ~-table, statistics of expectation of ~; ~-time, duration of person's ~; ~-work, task pursued through ~. Hence ~-LESS a., ~-LESSLY¹ adv., ~-lessness n., (-li-), (-)lived² (-vd) a. (esp. long-, short-). [OE lif, cf. OFris. lif life, body, Du. *lijf* & G *leib* body, cogn. w. LIV & LEAVE¹, f. Aryan *leip-, loip-, lip-*, endure, cf. Gk *liparēs* persistent]

lif'er, n. (sl.). One sentenced to, sentence of, penal servitude for life. [-MR¹]

lift, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Raise to higher position, take up, hoist, (often up, off, out), elevate to higher plane of thought or feeling, give upward direction to (eyes, face), (~ up or ~ one's hands or heart, in prayer etc.; ~ one's hand, to take oath; ~ a hand, make the slightest effort, usu. to do; never ~ed a hand against one, struck him; ~ up one's head, recover vigour after prostration, ~ up another's head, Bibl., restore to liberty or dignity; ~ up one's heel, kick; ~ up one's horn, be ambitious or proud; ~ up a cry, one's voice, cry out; hold or have on high (church ~s its spire); steal (esp. cattle), take (passage, information) in the way of plagiarism; remove (tents etc.); dig up (potatoes); hit (cricket-ball) into air; (of ship afloat) rise on wave; yield to a ~ (window will not ~); (of cloud, fog, darkness) rise, disperse; (of floor) swell upwards, bulge. 2. n. ~ing (DEAD ~; give one a ~, take him up into vehicle for part of way, also fig. give him helping hand); one layer of leather in boot-heel; apparatus for raising & lowering people or things to other floor of house, elevator, hoist; rise in the ground; vertical component of the air pressure on an aeroplane, counteracting the force of gravity. [L. ON *lypis* (loft air, sky, cf. G *heft*, sbn. E *lift*; & LORE)]

lig'ament, n. Tie, bond of union, (rare); (Anat.) short band of tough flexible fibrous tissue binding bones together, (loosely) any membranous fold keeping organ in position, similar part in lower organisms. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, ~OUS, aa., (-mēt). [f. L *ligamentum* (*ligare* bind, -MENT)]

lig'ate, v.t. (surg.). Tie up (bleeding artery etc.). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *ligare*, -ATE⁴]

lig'ature, n., & v.t. Thing used in tying, esp. band or cord used to tie up bleeding artery, strangulate tumour, etc. (vb, bind with ~); thing that unites, bond; tying, ligation; (Mus.) slur, tie; (Print.) two or more letters joined (f etc.). [f. L *ligatura* (prec., -URE)]

light¹ (lit), n. 1. The natural agent that stimulates the sense of sight. 2. Medium or condition of space in which sight is possible (opp. *darkness*). 3. Appearance of brightness (NORTHERN ~s; ZODIACAL ~; *saw a distant* ~). 4. Sensation peculiar to optic nerve. 5. Amount of illumination in place (*in a good* ~, easily visible); one's fair or ordinary share of this (*stand in one's* ~, deprive him of this, (fig.) pre-judice his chances). 6. Vivacity in person's eyes. 7. Favouring aspect (~ of one's *countenance*, his favour, approving presence, or sanction, often iron.). 8. Sun's direct or diffused or reflected rays, daylight, (*see the* ~, be born). 9. Being visible or exposed (*come, bring, to* ~, be revealed, reveal). 10. (Poet.) eyesight; (sl., pl.) eyes. 11. Object from which brightness emanates (~ of one's eyes, beloved person), sun or other heavenly body, ignited candle or lamp or the like; (collect.) lamps etc. illuminating place; beacon lamp esp. of ship or ~house, ~house; (fig.) eminent person or luminary (often *shining* ~). 12. Mental illumination, elucidation (*throw, shed*, ~ upon, help to explain), enlightenment (*by the* ~ of nature, without aid of revelation or teaching; *men of* ~ & LEADING¹); (pl.) facts or discoveries serving to explain subject (*we have many new* ~s upon it since then); (pl.) one's natural or acquired mental powers (usu. *do one's best* etc. according to one's ~s); (sing.) aspect in which thing is viewed (*in the* ~ of these facts, with the help given by them; *appeared in the* ~ of a *scoundrel*, seemed to be one; *place thing in a good* ~, represent it favourably); (in acrostic puzzles) one of the words whose initial & final letters make up the answer. 13. (Theol.) brightness of heaven, illumination of soul by divine truth. 14. Window or opening in wall for admission of ~, perpendicular division of mullioned window, glazed compartment of side or roof in greenhouse. 15. (Paint.) illuminated surface, part of picture represented as lighted up.

16. (Law) ~ falling on windows, the obstruction of which by neighbour is illegal (*Ancient L* ~s, inscription giving notice of this). 17. Flame or spark serving to ignite (*strike a* ~, produce this with match etc.); thing used for igniting, spill, taper, match. 18. ~ due, duty, toll on ships for maintenance of ~houses (tower or other structure) & ~ships (moored or anchored) containing beacon ~s for warning or guiding ships at sea. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *leoht*, cf. Du. & G *licht*, f. Aryan *leuk-* whence Gk *leukos* white, L *lux* light]

light² (lit), a. Well provided with light, not dark; pale-coloured (often prefixed to adj.). & nn. of colour, as a ~blue ribbon, I prefer ~blue; the ~BLUE²s. [as prec.]

light³ (lit), v.t. & i. (lit or ~ed; as attrib. adj., ~ed is usu.). Set (lamp etc., fire, combustible) burning (often up; ~ up, abs., begin to smoke pipe etc., also kindle the lights in street or room at dusk), (of fuel, lamp, etc.) take fire, begin to burn; give light to (room, street, etc.; ~ up, ~ brightly or make conspicuous by light); brighten (l. & i., with eyes, face, etc., as obj. or subj.) with animation; show (person his) way or surroundings with a light. Hence (~)'er¹ (lit-), see -ER¹(1, 2), n., (esp.) automatic device for ~ing cigarette etc. [OE *lhtan* (LIGHT^{1,2})]

light⁴ (lit), a. & adv. 1. Of little weight, not heavy, (~armed, with ~ equipment & weapons); deficient in weight (~ coin, gold, etc.). 2. Of small specific gravity. 3. Having or intended for a small load (~ ship, unladen; ~ waterline etc., that of ship when ~; ~ engine, with no train attached; ~ railway, for ~ traffic; ~ porter; ~ horse, ~armed cavalry, & so ~ horseman, ~ infantry; ~ marching order, in which only arms & ammunition are taken); (of ship, cart, etc.) made ~ly for small loads & quick movement. 4. (Of building) not looking heavy, graceful, elegant. 5. Acting gently, applied delicately, not violent, (~ hand, lit., & fig. = tactful management, whence ~hand'ed¹ a., ~hand'ediv¹ adv., ~hand'edness n.; ~ touch, blow, wind, step, etc.). 6. Not dense or tenacious; porous, friable, (~ soil, bread). 7. Easy of digestion; (of wine or beer) not strong. 8. (Of syllable) unemphatic. 9. Not important (*make* ~ of, treat as of no consequence), slight, trivial, venial, not grave, jesting, thoughtless, frivolous (whence ~mind'ed¹ a., ~mind'edness n.). 10. Wanton, unchaste, (esp. of women or their conduct). 11. Nimble, quick-moving, (~ of foot; ~ heels, whence ~heels'ed¹ a.; ~ movements; ~ rhythm; ~ fingers, good at stealing, whence ~fing'er'ed¹ a.). 12. Fickle, inconstant. 13. Easily borne (~ punishment, taxation, rule, expense) or done (~ work, task).

14. Aimed or aiming at entertainment merely (~ *literature, writer, comedy, comedian, programme*). 15. (Of sleep) easily disturbed, not profound, (so ~ *sleeper*). 16. Free from sorrow, cheerful, sanguine, (now only in ~ *heart; did it with a ~ heart, sanguinely, rashly*; so ~ *heart'edness* a., ~ *heart'edly* adv., ~ *heart'edness* n.). 17. Delirious (now only in ~ *head'edness* a., ~ *head'edness* n.). 18. || ~ *BOB*²; ~ *foot*, springy, nimble; ~ *heavy* (BOX³); ~ *o'-love*, fickle woman, harlot; ~ *skirts*, woman of ~ character; ~ *weight* a., ~ *weight* n., (man or animal) below average weight, esp. in boxing 9 st. 9 to 9 st.; hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n., (lit-). 19. adv. In ~ *manner* (esp. *tread, sleep, ~*; ~ *come ~ go*, what is easily gained is soon lost). [OE *leoht*, cf. Du. *licht*, G *leicht*, also Skr. *laghu*, Gk *claphros* light & *clakhus* small] **light**¹ (lit-), v.t. & i. (lit or ~ *ed*). (Naut.) lift (rope etc.) along, lend a hand in hauling ropes etc.; (arch.) alight, descend, come down; chance, come by chance, (up)on. (orig. sense *make light*, intr. meanings coming from idea of relieving horse etc. of weight; OE *lithan* (prec.))

light'en¹ (lit-), v.t. & i. Reduce load of (ship etc.), (of ship) have her load reduced; relieve (heart etc.), (of heart etc.) feel relief; reduce weight of, (fig.) mitigate; grow lighter. [LIGHT⁴ + -EN¹]

light'en² (lit-), v.t. & i. Shed light upon, make bright; (of face, eyes, sky, etc.) grow bright, shine, flash; (of sky, clouds, or th) emit lightning (also fig. of scorn etc.). [LIGHT² + -EN¹]

light'er¹ (lit-; for *lighter*¹ see LIGHT²), n., & v.t. 1. Boat, usu. flat-bottomed, for unloading & loading ships not brought to wharf & for transporting goods in harbour. 2. v.t. Remove (goods) in ~. Hence ~ *AGE* (4) n. [LIGHT² + -ER¹]

light'ish^{1,2} (lit-), aa. Somewhat LIGHT²; somewhat LIGHT⁴. [-ISH¹⁽²⁾]

light'ning (lit-), n. Visible electric discharge between clouds or cloud & ground (*forked, chain, or chained ~*, ~ *flash* in form of zigzag or divided line; *sheet ~*, ~ *flash* of diffused brightness; *summer, head, ~*, *sheet ~* without audible thunder, result of distant storm; *like ~*, with greatest conceivable speed; *with ~ speed*; ~ *rod* or ~ *conductor*, metal rod or wire fixed to exposed part of building or to mast to divert ~ into earth or sea; ~ *strike*, labour strike at short notice by way of surprise. [differentiated form of *lightening* vbl n. of LIGHTEN¹]

lights (lita), n. pl. Lungs of sheep, pigs, bullocks, etc., used as food esp. for cats & dogs. (In use of LIGHT⁴, of LUNG)

light'some¹ (lit-), a. Light, graceful, elegant, in appearance; light-hearted, merry; nimble. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [LIGHT² + -SOME]

light'some² (lit-), a. (rare). Light-giving, luminous; well lighted, bright. [LIGHT² + -SOME]

light'wood (lit-), n. Kinds of tree with light wood; kinds of tree with wood that burns with bright flame. [LIGHT⁴, 1]

lign-aloes (linál'æ), n. The drug aloes; aloes-wood, an aromatic Mexican wood. [f. L *lignum aloes* wood of the ALOE]

lig'néous, a. (Of plants) woody (opp. herbaceous). [f. L *ligneus* (foll.) + -ous]

lig'ni-, comb. form of L *lignum* wood. Hence ~ *FEROUS*, ~ *FORM*, aa., ~ *FY* v.t. & i., ~ *FICA'TION* n.

lig'nite, n. Brown coal showing traces of ligneous structure. [F, see *prec.*, -ITE¹⁽²⁾]

lig'num vit'æ, n. Gualacum. [L, = wood of life]

lig'ulate, a. (bot.). With strap-shaped fillet(s). [L *ligula* strap (*lingua* tongue, -ULE), -ATE¹]

like¹, a. (often governing noun like trans. part.; *more, most, rarely* or poet. ~ *r*, ~ *st*), prep., adv. (arch.), conj. (vulg.), & n. 1. adj. Similar, resembling something or each other or the original, (in ~ *manner* or *wise*; on this & the ~ *subjects*; the *two letters* are *very ~*; as ~ *as two peas*; ~ *father ~ son*, ~ *master ~ man*, as the one is so will the other be; *the picture is not ~*; in Alg., ~ *signs*, both positive or both negative, ~ *quantities*, expressed by same letters; occas. with *with*, as *beings of ~ passions with us*; now rarely, & chiefly in comp. ~ *r*, with *to*, as ~ *r to God than man*); resembling, such as, (*nothing ~ LEATHER*, as good as; *what is he, it, ~ r*, what sort of person or thing is he or it); look ~, have appearance of; ~ *that*, of the kind just seen or referred to; *a critic ~ you*, of the class that you exemplify; *something ~ \$1,000*, nearly, about; *something ~ a day*, with stress on ~, remarkably fine or otherwise satisfactory; so abs., *this is something ~*; *nothing ~ as good*, not nearly; characteristic of (*that is ~ your impudence*; *it was ~ him to think of himself last*); in promising state or right mood for doing (*looks ~ lasting*; *feel ~ working* or *stopping work*; also *looks ~ with n.* = promises the finding or suggests the agency of, as *looks ~ rabbits*); (arch.) likely, (arch. & colloq.) likely to (*had, ~ was, ~ to have done*, narrowly escaped doing); ~ *minded*, having same tastes, views, etc. 2. prep. In the manner of, to the same degree as, (*cannot do it ~ you*; *do not talk ~ that*; ~ *a shot*, without demur, willingly, regardless of consequences; ~ *fun, blazes, one o'clock, anything, MAD, etc.*, vigorously); (in proverbial or joc. pseudo-proverbial phrase; emphasising the) *thick ~ a poem, drink ~ a fish, fit ~ a glove, get on ~ a house on fire, smoke ~ a tobacco ~ a chimney, soldier ~ a trooper, storm*

~ a duck; less usu. w. noun in objective relation, hate person etc. ~ poison, scatter them ~ chaff). 3. adv. In the same manner as (arch.); probably (now only in very ~, ~ enough, usu. parenthetical); (vulg.) so to speak (by way of argument ~). 4. conj. (for arch. ~ as; vulg. & colloq.). As (cannot do it ~ you do; snow is falling ~ in January). 5. n. Counterpart, equal, ~ thing or person, (mix with your ~s; shall not see his ~ again; did you ever see the ~ of it?; ~ cures ~; the ~s of me, colloq., persons so humble as I; the ~s of you, colloq., persons so distinguished as you); (Golf) stroke that equalizes number of strokes played by each side; (ellipt. use of adj. with pl. ~) thing(s) of the same kind (will never do the ~ again; & the ~ often as pl. ~ etcetera, as music, painting, & the ~; or the ~, or other thing(s) of the kind). [ME *lich* f. OE *gelle*, cf. G *gleich* & see ALIKE, f. OTeut. *galiko-* (ga- with, *liko-* body, cf. LICHT)]

like¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Be pleasing to (arch. or joc.; chiefly impers., it ~s me not, well, etc.); thrive (obs. exc. in well-liking); find agreeable, congenial, or satisfactory, feel attracted by, wish for, (I ~ you, the offer, his visits, (iron.) his impudence, her to be within reach, to see them now & then; do not ~ such subjects discussed; should much ~ to come; should ~ to know or see (iron.), think you will find it hard to tell me, am not likely to see; should ~ time to consider it; how do you ~ it?, do you ~ it much or little or dislike it?), whence **lik'ABLE** a., **lik'ableness** n.; if you ~ (expr. consent to request, as you will come if you ~, or limited assent, as I am shy if you ~, i.e. but not misanthropic, or emphatic selection, as I am shy if you ~, i.e. but someone else is not); suit (only in I ~ it, i.e. kind of food, but it does not ~ me). 2. n. (Usu. pl.) liking(s), predilection(s) (esp. ~s & dislikes). [OE *lician* cf. Du. *lijken* (prec.)]

-like, suf. (i.e. LIKE a. & adv. in comp.). 1. Appended to nn. ~ forms adj. (god~, woman~, plumbago~); adv. of similar form are perh. arch., & in mod. use possible adv. can usu. be explained as adj. (he, coward~, refused). 2. Appended to adj. it forms adj. chiefly Sc. (human~, wild~) & Sc. adv.

like²**lihood** (-li-), n. Being likely, probability, (esp. in all~, probably). [-HOOD]

like³**ly** (-li-), a. & adv. (more, most, -ier, -iest). 1. Probable, such as might well happen, or be or prove true, or turn out to be the thing specified, (a ~ story, often iron.: it is not ~ he will come; his most ~ halting-place is ~); to be expected to (he, this, is or was not ~ to come, happen); promising, apparently suitable for purpose as to do or be, capable-looking, (the ~st ~ every ~ house; six ~ young ~ the likeliest place for smugglers

or to find him in). 2. adv. Probably (usu. most or very ~). [f. ON *likigr* (LIKE¹, -LY¹)]

lik'en, v.t. Find or point out resemble in (thing) to; (rare) make like to arbitrary character ~s it to a despotia [-EN¹]

like'ness (-kn-), n. Being like, resemblance (between, to); semblance (enemy in ~ of friend); representation, copy, portrait (take one's ~, portray him); person or thing having the exact appearance of another. [-NESS]

like'wise (-kwiz), adv. & conj. Similarly (Bibl.); also, moreover, too. [for in like wise]

likin (lî'kên'), n. Provincial transit duty in China. [Chin.]

lik'ing, n. What one likes, one's taste (is it to your ~?); regard, fondness, taste, fancy, for (have a ~ for him, for precise statement; no ~ for flattery). [OE *licung* (LIKE², -ING¹)]

***lil**. Dial. var. of LITTLE.

lil'ac, n. & a. Shrub with fragrant pale pinkish violet, or white, blossoms; (of) pale pinkish violet colour. [F f. Sp., f. Pers. *lîlak* var. of *nilak* (nil blue)]

lilîa'ceous (-shus), a. Of the lily kind. [f. L *liliaceus* (LILY, -ACEOUS)]

Lilliburlet^o, n. Song popular at end of 17th c., often referred to by writers. [part of refrain]

Lillip'utian (-shn), a. & n. Native of Lilliput, diminutive (person or thing). [Lilliput in *Gulliver's Travels*, -IAN]

lilt, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Sing melodiously or rhythmically. 2. n. (Song with) marked rhythmical cadence or swing. [n. f. vb, ME *lulte* etym. dub.]

lil'y, n. (Flower of) kinds of bulbous plant bearing large showy white or reddish or purplish flowers on tall slender stem, esp. the White or Madonna L~ (orange, tiger, turk's cap, etc., ~); kinds of plant allied to these (*belladonna*, *calla*, *Guernsey*, *Lent*, *water*, etc., ~); ~ of the valley, spring flower with two large leaves & racemes of white bell-shaped fragrant flowers; person or thing of special whiteness or purity (*lilies & roses*, fair complexion); heraldic fleur-de-lis (the lilies, arms of old French monarchy, Bourbon dynasty); (attrib.) delicately white (~ *maid*, *hand*, etc.), pallid; ~-iron, harpoon with detachable head for killing swordfish; ~-iv'ered, cowardly; ~-white, as a ~. Hence **lil'ied**³ (-lid) a. [OE *lîlie* f. L *lilium* f. Gk *leirion*]

limb¹ (-m), n., & v.t. 1. Leg, arm, or wing (escape with life & ~, without grave injury); (orig. ~ of the devil or Satan) mischievous child, so ~ of the law, lawyer, policeman, etc.; main branch of tree, one of four branches of cross, clause of sentence, spur of mountain; hence (-)~ed² (-md), ~-less (-ml-), aa. 2. v.t. Disable ~

- of (person or animal), dismember (body). [OE *lim*, cf. ON *limr*]
- limb**¹ (-m, n. (scient.)). Edge of surface; graduated edge of quadrant etc.; edge (*eastern, lower, etc.*, ~) of sun, moon, etc.; expanded part of petal, sepal, or leaf. [f. L *limbus* *hem*]
- limbate**, a. (biol., bot.). Having distinct or different-coloured border. [f. LL *limbatus* (prec., -ATE³)]
- limbéc**, n. (arch.). = **ALEMBIC**.
- limber**¹, n., & v.t. 1. Detachable front of gun-carriage two wheels, axle, pole, & ammunition-box. 2. v.t. Attach ~ to (gun), fasten together two parts of (gun-carriage; also abs.), (usu. up). [earlier *lymor*, perh. f. F *limonière* shafts & framework (*limon* shaft)]
- limber**², n. (naut.). One of the holes cut in floor-timbers for drainage to pump-well. [perh. f. F *lumière* light, so used]
- limber**³, a., & v.t. 1. Flexible; lithe, nimble. 2. v.t. Make ~; also abs.; usu. ~ up. [?]
- limbó**, n. (pl. ~s). Region on border of hell where pre-Christian just men & unbaptized infants are confined; prison, durance; condition of neglect or oblivion. [f. L *phr. in limbo* (LIMB²)]
- lime**¹, n., & v.t. 1. Sticky substance made from holly bark for catching small birds (usu. *bird*~). 2. White caustic alkaline earth (calcium oxide) got by burning ~ stone, kinds of rock chiefly carbonate of ~, & used for making mortar, as manure, etc. (also *quick*~; *slaked* ~, this after combination with water, hydrate of ~), whence ~LESS (-ml-), **lim'y**¹, aa. 3. ~ burner, maker of ~; ~-cast, outer layer of ~ on building; ~-kiln, for burning ~ stone; ~light, intense white light got by heating cylinder of ~ in oxyhydrogen flame (*the* ~light, fig., w. ref. to use in theatre, full glare of publicity); ~pit, for steeping hides to remove hair; ~twig, smeared with bird~. 4. v.t. Smear (twigs), catch (bird), with bird~ (also fig.); treat, dress (land), with ~; steep (skins) in ~ & water. [OE *lim*, cf. Du. *lijm*, G *leim*, cogn. w. L *limus* mud, *linere* smear, & w. **LOAM**]
- lime**², n. Round fruit smaller & more acid than lemon; ~juice, used as drink & esp. as antiscorbutic; ~juicer (Naut. sl.), British sailor (also ~lim'ey) or ship (because use of ~juice was enforced on board). [F, f. Arab. as **LEMON**]
- lime**³, n. Ornamental tree with heart-shaped leaves & small fragrant yellowish blossom (often ~tree). [prob. var. of **limb** LINDEN]
- lim'en**, n. (psych.). Limit below which given stimulus ceases to be perceptible, minimum of nerve-excitation required to produce sensation. Hence **lim'inal** a. [L (genit. -inis), =threshold, representing G *schwelle*]
- lim'erick**, n. Kind of nonsense verse (now usu. applied to the five-line form based on Lear's nursery rhymes). (said to be f. chorus 'Will you come up to L~') sung after extempore verses contributed each by member of party]
- lime-wort** (-ört), **limp**², n. = **BROOK**¹. *lime*. [OE *hleomece*]
- lim'it**¹, n. Bounding line, terminal point (*superior, inferior*, ~, earliest & latest possible date, largest & smallest possible or permissible amount), bound that may not or cannot be passed, (*without* ~, unlimited; *is the* ~, al., is the last straw, intolerable etc.; ~man, receiving longest start allowed in handicap, opp. *scratch*). Hence ~LESS a. [f. F *limite* f. L *limitem* nom. -mes]
- lim'it**², v.t. Confine within limits, set (usu. immaterial) bounds to, restrict to; serve as limit to; (p.p.) scanty; || ~ed company, see **LIABILITY**; ~ed mail, taking only ~ed number of passengers; ~ed monarchy etc., subject to constitutional restrictions (opp. *absolute*). So ~ATRY a. [f. F *limiter* f. L *limitare* (prec.)]
- limitarian**, n. & a. (Holder) of doctrine that only a limited part of mankind is to be saved. [LIMIT¹, -ARIAN]
- limitary**, a. Subject to restriction; of, on, serving as, limit. [f. L *limitaris* (LIMIT¹, -ARY²)]
- limitation**, n. Limiting; limited condition, disability or inability, (*has his* ~s, is not talented in all directions); limiting rule or circumstance; legally specified period beyond which action cannot be brought, estate or law is not to continue, etc. (*statute of* ~s, any that fixes such period). [f. L *limitatio* (LIMIT², -ATION)]
- lim'itrophe** (-öf), a. (Of district etc.) on frontier, adjacent to. [F (L *limes* LIMIT¹, Gk *-trophos* -feeding), orig. of lands set apart for support of frontier troops]
- limn** (-m), v.t. (arch.). Paint (picture); depict, portray. Hence **lim'ner**¹ n. (f. obs. *lumine* illuminate (MSS.)) f. OF *luminer* (L *lumen* -*inis* light)]
- limnology**, n. Study of physical phenomena of lakes; study of pond-life. [Gk *limné* lake, -o-, -LOGY]
- lim'ousine** (-öbzén), n. Motor-car with permanently enclosed body (cf. *cabriolet*). [F, fem. adj. = of Limoges]
- limp**¹, v.i., & n. 1. Walk lamely, (of verse) halt; (of damaged ship, aircraft, etc.) proceed slowly or with difficulty. 2. n. Lame walk. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [cf. MHG *limphin*]
- limp**², Not stiff, flexible, (of book-bindings) not stiffened with mill-board; (fig.) wanting in energy. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. 18th c.; etym. dub.]
- lim'pet**, n. Gasteropod mollusc with tent-shaped shell sticking tightly to rocks; (fig.) person, esp. State employee, who clings to office; ~mine (attached to

ship's bottom). [OE *limpedu* f. LL *limpeda* limpet, LAMPREY]

lim'pid, a. Pellucid, clear, not turbid, (of liquids, atmosphere, eyes, literary style). Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., ~ITY (-id²), ~NESS, nn. [f. L *limpidus* prob. cogn. w. *lympha* LYMPH]

limp'kin, n. Kinds of bird between cranes & rails. [LIMP¹, ~KIN, from their movements]

|| **limp-wort**. See LIME-WORT.

lin'age, n. Number of lines in printed matter; payment according to this. [-AGE]

linch'pin, n. Pin passed through axle-end to keep wheel on. [OE *lynis*, cf. G *linse*, PIN]

Lin'coln green (-ngkon), n. Bright green stuff made at Lincoln.

lin'den, n. Lime-tree. [orig. adj. (obs. *kind* lime, cf. G *linde* cogn. w. Gk *elaî* fir + -EN³)]

lin¹, n. Fine long flax separated from the tow. [OE *lin* flax, cf. G *lein*- perh. cogn. w. L *linum* & Gk *linon*]

lin², n. (Order of main senses) 1. Cord; 2. Long narrow mark; 3. Row; 4. Series; 5. Direction. 1. Piece of rope (esp. Naut., e.g. for sounding; so prob. *hard* ~s, bad luck, hardship; also = CLOTHES-~); wire or cable for telegraph or telephone (~*man*, charged with keeping wire etc. in repair, route traversed by this; cord bearing fish-hook(s) (~*flashing*, opp. *net-flashing*; *hook* ~, & *sinker*; *give* one ~ *enough*, let him go his own way for a time in order to secure or detect him later); cord for measuring, levelling, etc. (PLUMB-~; *by rule* & ~, with precision); (pl.) one's lot in life (Ps. xvi. 8, w. ref. to marking out land); rule or canon (obs. exc. in ~ *upon* ~, see Is. xxviii. 10, with slow & regular progress). 2. Long narrow mark traced on surface; use of these in draughtsmanship (boldness, purity, of ~; *translate life* etc. *into* ~ & colour; ~*-drawing*, done with pen or pencil; ~*-engraving*, done with incised ~s, as opp. *etching* & *mezzotint*; ~*-work*, with pen or pencil not wash etc.; ~ *of beauty*, ~ with two opposite curves like elongated S); (Games) mark limiting court or ground or special parts of them; thing resembling traced mark, band of colour, seam, furrow, wrinkle (~ *of life*, *fortune*, etc., folds in palm of hand significant in palmistry); (Math.) straight or curved continuous extent of length without breadth, track of moving point, (with defining word, as *tachetral* ~) curve connecting all points having specified common property; the L~, equator; straight ~ (~ *of FIRM*¹, *force*, etc.; *picture hung on the* ~, exhibited with its centre about level of spectator's eye; *go as straight as a* ~); contour, outline, *lineament* (the *avage* ~s *of his mouth*), (pl.) *plan de draft* (esp. of ship in hori-

zontal, vertical, & oblique sections) or manner of procedure (on *conservative*, *political*, the *same*, etc., ~s; on the ~s *laid down by someone*); (as measure) 1/12 inch; limit, boundary, (DRAW¹ the ~; so *dividing* ~; on the ~, not clearly one thing or the other). 3. Row of persons or things (*come, bring, into* ~, agree or co-operate, induce to do so; *see the* ~, fig., accept party programme etc.); (Mil., pl.) connected series of field-works (go¹ *up the* ~), || also row of tents or huts in camp; (Naut.) ~ *abreast*, number of parallel ships ranged on ~ crossing keels at right angles, ~ *ahead*, ships following in a string, ~ *of BATTLE*¹, *ship of the* ~ or ~*of-BATTLE*¹ ship; (Mil.) double row (front & rear ranks) of men ranged side by side, also arrangement of companies side by side (opp. COLUMN; *drawn up in, form, wheel into*, ~; *all along the* ~, at every point, often fig. of success etc.; ~*-firing*, by body of men in ~); (Army) the ~, regular & numbered regiments (not Guards, Engineers, or Artillery, & occas. understood to exclude Cavalry); row of words in page or newspaper column (*read between the* ~s, detect hidden meaning in document, speech, etc.; ~*-filling*, flourish or ornament in blank space at end of ~ in MS.); (by exag.) short letter (*just a* ~ *to tell you that* —); single verse of poetry; (pl.) piece of poetry (often *upon* subject or to person); || (pl.) specified amount (100 etc. ~s) of usu. Latin verse to be written out as school punishment; (pl., also *marriage* ~s) certificate of marriage; (pl.) words of actor's part. 4. Series or regular succession of steamers, omnibuses, etc., plying between certain places; connected series of persons or things following one another in time (can *show a long* ~ *of heroes*), esp. several generations of family (*male, female, direct*, etc., ~), family, lineage, stock (*comes of a good* ~). 5. Direction, course, track, (~ *of march, communication*, etc.); (Railways) single track of rails (*up, down*, ~, to, from, chief terminus esp. London), one branch of system (*main, branch, loop*, ~) or whole system under one management (*Southern* etc. ~); course followed in riding to hounds (*take, keep to, one's own* ~, often also fig.; course of procedure, conduct, thought, etc.; department of activity, province, branch of business, (*something in, out of, one's* ~, that interests or concerns one, or not; *in the banking, oil-&colour*, etc., ~); (Commerc.) class of goods, order for or stock of this. [partly thr. OE *line*, cf. G *leine* cord, partly thr. F *ligne*, f. L *linea* line orig. fem. of *linus* of linen (*linum* flax)]

lin³, v.t. & i. Mark in, off, out, with lines on paper etc.; cover with lines (a *face* ~d with *pais*); ~ *through*, cross out; draw (men or objects) *up in line*; come up or spread (t. & l.) *out in line*; post troops etc.

along (road, hedge, etc), (of troops) form open or close line along (pass etc.), (of things) stand at intervals along (wall etc.). [f. prec.]

line⁴, v.t. Apply layer of (usu. different) material to inside of (garment, box, vessel, bag, etc.); fill (purse, pocket, stomach, etc.); serve as lining for. Hence **lin'er**¹-**er**¹ n., (esp.) removable metal lining saving wear & tear (in heavy guns & machinery), **lin'ing**⁴ n. (*every cloud has a silver lining*, there is good in every evil). [f. **LINE**¹, w. ref. to use of linen for linings]

line⁵, v.t. Copulate with, cover, (bitch). [f. **F ligner**]

lin'eage, n. Lineal descent, ancestry, pedigree. [f. OF *lignage* (L *linea* **LINE**², -AGE)]

lin'eal, a. In the direct line of descent or ancestry (opp. *collateral*); (rare) of, in, line(s), linear. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. **F** *linéal* f. LL *linealis* (**LINE**², -AL)]

lin'eament, n. (Usu. pl.) distinctive feature(s), or characteristic(s) esp. feature(s) of face, (sing. chiefly in *every* ~). [f. **F** *linéament* f. L *lineamentum* (*lineare* in unrecorded sense *draw lines* f. *linea* **LINE**³)]

lin'ear, a. Of, in, line(s) (~ **PERSPECTIVE**); (Math., Physics) involving measurement in one dimension only (~ *equation*, of first degree); long, narrow, & of uniform breadth. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *linearis* (**LINE**², -AR¹)]

lin'eation, n. Drawing of, marking with, arrangement of, lines. [f. L *lineatio* (**LINEAMENT**, -ATION)]

lin'en, a. & n. 1. Made of flax (~ *cloth*). 2. n. Cloth woven from flax, (with pl.) particular kind of this; (collect.) shirts, sheets, cloths, etc., of ~, calico, etc. (*wash one's dirty ~ at home*, in public, keep, not keep, quiet about domestic quarrels etc.); || ~**draper**, dealer in ~, calico, etc.; ~**fold**, carved or moulded ornament representing a fold or scroll of ~; hence ~**ETTE**² (2) n. [OE *līnen* (**LINE**¹, -EN⁴)]

lin'er¹ (for **liner**¹ see **LINE**⁴), n. Ship, usu. steamer, belonging to line of passenger ships; aircraft belonging to a regular line, used esp. for passenger transport. [-ER¹] **lines'man** (-nz), n. || Soldier of line regiment; (Lawn tennis, Football) official assisting umpire or referee by deciding whether or where ball touches or crosses line. [*line's* (**LINE**²)]

ling¹, n. Long slender N.-Europ. sea-fish used (usu. cured) for food. [cf. Du. & G *ling* prob. cogn. w. **LONG**¹]

ling², n. Kinds of heather. Hence **lin'gy**¹ (-ng) a. [f. ON *lyng*]

-ling¹, suf. forming nn.; com.-Teut., arising f. addition of -*ingos* -*ing*² to n. stems w. suf. -*lo*- -*le*. 1. In OE, ME, & mod. E, ~ is added to nn. to form nn. denoting person or thing connected w.

primary n. (*hire*~, *nurs*~, *sap*~), & to adj. to form nn. (*gray*~, *dar*~, *young*~); so also, f. adv., *under*~. On anal. of *nurs*~ etc., where first component is ambiguous, *shave*~, *starve*~, are formed on vv. 2. In ON ~ had dim. force; instances of this appear in E in 14th & 15th co. (*cod*~, *goe*~, *duck*~); in this use alone (esp. in formation of contemptuous dimm., as *lord*~, *prince*~) the suf. is a living one.

-ling², -**lings**, suf. forming advv.; Teut. -*ling*, -*lang*, -*lung*, (+-es) used in OE added to nn. to form advv. of direction, as *becling* back, and *lang* ALONG, *grundlunga* to ground; in other wds the suf. forms advv. of condition or situation (*darking*), usu. now dial. only.

ling'a(m) (-ngg-), n. The phallus (esp. as symbol of Siva). [Skr. *linga*]

ling'er (-ngg-), v.i. & t. Put off departure esp. from reluctance to go; stay about, not depart or arrive at expected or right time; dally round place or over or (upon) subject; drag on a feeble existence (of invalids & moribund customs); be protracted (~ *ing disease*, *agonies*); be tardy, delay; throw (time) away in delays. Hence ~**ER**¹ n., ~**ingly**² adv. [f. obs. *leng* OE *lengan* lengthen, linger, cf. G *längen*, (**LONG**¹) + -ER¹]

lingerie (see Ap.), n. (Stock of) linen articles, women's underwear. [F]

ling'o (-ngg-), n. (pl. ~*es*). (Derog. for) foreign language, vocabulary of special subject or class of people. [prob. corrupt. of *LINGUA* (**FRANCA**)]

-lings. See **-LING**².

ling'ua franc'a (-nggwa), n. Mixture of Italian, French, Greek, & Spanish, used in the Levant; any language serving as medium between different peoples (also fig. of common ideas etc.). [It., = *Frankish tongue*]

ling'ual (-nggw-), a. & n. (Anat.) of the tongue; (Phonet.) formed by the tongue (n., ~ sound; both a. & n. now rare), whence ~**ISM**³ v.t.; of speech or languages (~ *studies*). [f. med. L *lingualis* (L *lingua* tongue, -AL)]

ling'uliform (-nggw-), a. (bot., anat., zool.). Tongue-shaped. [prec., -i-, -FORM]

ling'uist (-nggw-), n. Person skilled in foreign languages (*good, bad, no*, ~). [as prec., -IST]

linguis'tic (-nggw-), a. & n. 1. Of the study of languages; of language, lingual. 2. n. pl. ~io science. Hence ~**ICALLY** adv. [prec., -IC]

ling'ulate (-ngg-), a. Tongue-shaped. [f. L *lingula* dim. of *lingua* tongue, -ATE²]

ling'uo- (-nggw-), comb. form of L *lingua* tongue (-o-), as ~*dent'al* made with tongue & teeth (of sounds).

|| **lin'hay**, **linn'**(e)y, (**lin**'T), n. (S.-W. Eng. dial.). Farm-shed or outbuilding open to front. [perh. f. **LEAN**² + *hay* (dial.) fence]

lin'imént, n. Liquid usu. made with oil used in rubbing body for rheumatism etc., embrocation. [f. L. *linimentum* (*linire* smear, -MENT)]

lin'ing. See LINE⁴.

lin'k¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. One ring or loop of chain (as measure, 1/100 of surveying chain or 7.92 in.); = SLEEVE-~; loop in knitting etc.; connecting part, thing or person that unites others, filler of gap, member of series (MISSING ~). 2. vb. Connect, join, (things, persons) together or (thing, person) to; clasp (hands); hook (arm in or through another's, or arms); attach oneself on or in to system, company, etc.; || ~ed battalions, two, of which one at home supplies drafts for other on foreign service. Hence ~AGE(1, 3) n. [f. ON (Icel. *hlekkir*, Sw. *länk*) cogn. w. G *gelenk* joint, & w. FLANK]

lin'k², n. Torch of pitch & tow formerly used for lighting people along streets; ~'boy, ~'man, employed to carry ~s. [perh. f. prec. in sense *segment* of the material]

links, n. pl. Level or undulating sandy ground near sea-shore, with turf & coarse grass (Sc.); ground on which golf is played, often resembling that of prec. sense (also a ~ as sing.). [OE *hlinc* perh. cogn. w. LEAN⁴]

|| **linn, n.** (chiefly Sc.). Waterfall; pool below this; precipice, ravine. [perh. mixture of OE *hlynn* torrent & Gael. *linne*]

Linn(a)e'an (-nēan), a. & n. (Follower) of Linnaeus or his system of classifying plants & animals. [*Linnaeus* latinized name of C. Linné, Swedish naturalist (d. 1778), + -AN]

linn'et, n. Common brown or warm-grey song-bird. [f. OF *linette* (*lin* flax, f. its food)]

linn(e)y. See LINHAY.

lin'ocūt, n. Design cut in relief on block of linoleum; print obtained from this. [LINO]

linōl'eum, n. (also lin'ō abbr.). Floor-cloth of canvas with thick coat of oxidized linseed oil etc. Hence ~ED⁴ (-md) a. [L *linum* flax, *oleum* oil]

lin'otype, n. Machine for producing stereotyped lines of words as substitute for type-setting, much used in printing newspapers. [= *line* o' type]

lin'sāng, n. Civet cat of Borneo & Java. [Javanese]

lin'seed, n. Seed of flax; ~ cake, ~ (with the ~ oil pressed out) as cattle-food; ~ meal, ground ~; ~ poultice, of ~ or ~ meal. [LINE¹]

lin'sey-wool'sey (-z-, -z-), n. Dress material of coarse inferior wool woven on cotton warp (orig. of wool & flax). [from 1483; *linsey*, perh. a coarse linen (LINE¹ perh. + obs. *sey* silk); *woolsey*=wool w. jingling termination]

lin'stōck, n. (hist.). Match-holder used in old gunnery. [f. Du. *lontstok* (*lont* match)]

lin't, n. Soft material for dressing wounds made by scraping linen cloth on one side. [cogn. w. LINE¹; perh. f. F *linette* linseed (*lin* linen)]

lin'tel, n. Horizontal timber or stone over door or window. Hence ~LED³ (-ld) a. [OF, = threshold, f. pop. L **limitare* or **limitellum* see LIMIT¹, -LE(2)]

lin'y, a. Marked with lines; wrinkled; (Art) using line too much. Hence lin'i-NESS. [-Y²]

li'on, n. 1. Large powerful tawny African & S.-Asiatic carnivorous quadruped with tufted tail & (in the male) flowing shaggy mane (~ in the way or path, obstacle, esp. imaginary; ~'s mouth, perilous position; ~'s share, largest or best part; ~ & unicorn, supporters of royal arms; ~'s skin, false assumption of courage; twist ~'s tail, of foreign, esp. U.-S., journalists or orators defying or insulting Great Britain). 2. Courageous person, so ~-hearted² a. 3. pl. || Sights worth seeing in town etc. (from custom of showing country visitors the ~s formerly kept in Tower of London; see, show, the ~s). 4. || Person of literary or other celebrity sought after to be shown off at social gatherings (~hunter, host or hostess depending much on ~s), whence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn. 5. National emblem of Great Britain (the British L~, the nation personified). 6. (L~) constellation & zodiacal sign LEO. Hence ~LIKE, a., ~ESS¹, ~ET¹, nn. [f. AF *leun* f. L *leonem* nom. *leo* f. Gk *leōn* *leontos*]

li'on'ize, v.t. & i. See or show the sights (see prec.) of (place); show these to (visitor); see the sights; treat (person) as celebrity, make a lion (see prec.) of, whence ~ISM(1) n. [-IZE]

lip, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. One of the fleshy edges of the opening of the mouth (*upper*, *lower* or *under*, ~; bite one's ~, in vexation or to repress emotion, stifle laugh, etc.; stiff *upper*~, fortitude or obstinacy; curl one's ~, in scorn; hang one's ~, in humiliation; lick, smack, one's ~s, in enjoyment or anticipation of food or fig.; hang on one's ~s, listen to his every word in reverence; word etc. escapes one's ~s, is uttered thoughtlessly). 2. Saucy talk, impudence, (sl., esp. none of your ~). 3. Edge of cup, vessel, cavity, wound, etc. 4. ~, from the ~s only, professed, not heartfelt or sincere, (~homage, ~religion, ~Christian, ~service, ~worship); ~deep, superficial, insincere; ~language, ~reading, ~speaking, use & interpretation of silent motions of ~s by & with the deaf or dumb; ~salve, ointment for sore ~s, (fig.) flattery; ~stick, stick of cosmetic for rouging ~s; hence (-)~PED⁴ (-pt), ~LESS, aa. 5. v.t. Touch with ~s, apply ~s to; (of water) just touch, lap; (Golf) hit ball just to edge of (hole), (of ball) reach edge of (hole) but fail to drop in;

murmur, utter softly. [OE *lippa*, cf. Du. *lip*, G *lippe*, cogn. w. L *labium*, *labrum*]

lipog'raphy, n. = HAPOGRAPHY. [f. Gk *lip-* st. of *leipō* omit, -GRAPHY]

lipp'er, n. (naut.). Rippling or ruffled motion, surface roughness, of sea. [prob. cogn. w. LAP¹ + -ER¹]

liquat'e, v.t. Separate or purify (metals) by liquefying. Hence LIQUA'TION n. [f. L *liquare* melt, cogn. w. LIQUOR, -ATE¹]

liq'uēf'y, v.t. & i. Bring (solid or gas) or come into liquid condition. Hence or cogn. ~FA'CIENT (-āshent) a. & n., ~FACTION n., ~fāctive, ~fiāble, aa., ~fier¹ (1, 2) n. [f. f. *liquéfier* f. L *liquefacere* (*liquēre* be LIQUID, -FY)]

liques'cent, a. Becoming, apt to become, liquid. [f. L *liquescere* (prec., -ESCENT)]

liqueur' (-kūr), n. Strong alcoholic liquor sweetened & flavoured with aromatic substances & usu. drunk in small quantities; mixture of sugar & alcohol or wines used to flavour champagne, whence ~ v.t.; ~ *brandy*, of special quality for drinking as ~; ~ *glass*, very small for ~s; ~ *frame*, -*stand*, for holding ~-bottles. [F., = LIQUOR]

liq'uld, a. & n. 1. (Substance that is) incompressible but offering no resistance to change of shape, neither solid nor gaseous, resembling water or oil in normal state, in fluid but not gaseous condition (~ *air*, reduced to ~ state by intense cold; ~ *fire*, projected from flame-thruster); watery. 2. Having the transparency, translucence, or brightness, of water or wine (~ *lustre*, *eyes*, *sky*, *air*, *blue*). 3. (Of sounds) flowing clear, fluent, pure, not grating or discordant; not guttural, vowel-like, (*blackbird's* ~ *notes*; *in his* ~ *Italian*; n., one of the letters *l*, *r*, & occas. *m*, *n*). 4. Not fixed, unstable, (*has very* ~ *convictions* or *principles*). 5. (Of assets, securities, etc.) easily convertible into cash. Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-id¹), ~NESS, nn., ~ize(3) v.t., ~LY¹ adv. [f. OF *liquide* f. L *liquidus* (*liquēre* be liquid cf. LIQUATE, LIQUOR)]

liq'uidat'e, v.t. & i. Pay, clear off, (debt); put an end to, suppress, get rid of, (often by violent means); wind up, ascertain liabilities & apportion assets of, (company, firm), whence ~ātor¹ n.; (intr., of company) have this done. Hence ~A'TION n. (go into ~ation, of company, have its affairs wound up, become bankrupt). [f. LL *liquidare* make LIQUID, -ATE¹]

liq'uor (-ker), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Liquid part of secretion or product of operation; liquid used as wash etc.; water used in brewing; liquid (usu. fermented or distilled) for drinking (*mall* ~, ale, beer, porter, etc.); *spirituous* ~, spirits; DISGUISED with ~; *in ~*, the worse for ~, more or less drunk; a ~ or ~-up, al., taking of ~ as refreshment; water in which food has been boiled; (Pharmacy, pr. lik'wōt)

solution of specified drug in water (~ *ammoniac* etc.). 2. vb. Dress (leather, shoes) with grease or oil; steep (malt etc.) in water; (sl.) ~ *up* or ~, have a drink of alcohol ~, (earlier & OF *licor* (now *liqueur*) f. L *liquor* (*liquēre* see LIQUID, -OR¹) to which spelling has been assimilated]

liq'uorice (-ko-), lic'orice, n. (Black substance used in medicine & as sweetmeat made from) root of *Glycyrrhiza glabra*; the plant. [f. AF *tycorus* f. LL *liquiritia* f. Gk *glukurrhiza* (*glukus* sweet, *rhiza* root)]

liq'uorish (-ko-), a. Fond of, indicating fondness for, liquor. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [misuse of LICKERISH]

lira (lēf'al), n. (pl. *lire* pr. -ā, ~s; abbr. L.). Italian monetary unit. [It., f. L *libra*]

lisle thread (lil thréd), n. Fine hard-twisted thread made orig. at Lisle (now Lille) in France.

lisp, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Substitute one of the sounds of *th* for sibilants in speaking; (of child) speak with imperfect pronunciation; say with a ~ (often *out*); hence ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing pronunciation; rippling of waters, rustling of leaves. [f. OE *lisp* a. lispig, cf. Du. *lispēn*, G *lispeln*, to lisp]

liss'orn (e), a. Lithic, supple, agile. Hence ~NESS n. [constr. of LITHESOME]

list¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Selvage or edge of cloth, usu. of different material, whence ~ING¹(3) n.; such edges torn off & used as a material (~ *slippers*; *line edges of door with* ~, to keep out draughts; vb, fasten ~ round edges of, as *have ~ed my doors*). 2. pl. Palliades enclosing tilting-ground; (fig.) scene of contest (*enter the ~s against*, challenge or accept challenge of, usu. to controversy). 3. Roll or catalogue of names, of persons or things belonging to a class, of articles with prices, of things to be done, etc. (*active* ~, of officers in army or navy or air force liable to be called on for service; *free* ~, of persons to be admitted free to theatre etc., also of duty-free articles; ARMY, CIVIL, SIOK, ~); (vb) enter in a ~, (now rare or vulg.) go as soldier, enlist. [senses 1 & 2 f. OF *liste*, cf. Du. *lijst*, G *liste*; sense 3 f. F *liste* f. Teut. as in 1]

|| **list**², v.t. (arch.); 3 sing. pres. ~ or ~eth, past ~ or ~ed. Be pleasing to (*shall do what him ~eth*; *did as him* ~); desire, choose, (to do or abs.; *ye who ~ to hear*; *wind bloweth where it ~eth*). [OE *līstan*, cf. Du. *līsten*, cogn. w. LUST]

list³, n., & v.i. Lean(ing) over to one side (of ship, owing to leak, shifting cargo, subsidence, etc., cf. HEEL¹; also of building, fence, etc.). [vb f. n., perh. transf. use of obs. *list* pleasure, inclination, f. prec.]

|| **list**⁴, v.i. & t. (arch.). Listen, listen to. [OE *līstan* (*līst* sense of hearing), cf. G *līstern* & *lauschen* f. Aryan *klus-* (klus- see LOUD)]

l'isten (-an), v.i. & t. Make effort to hear something, hear person speaking with attention; give ear to or now usu. *to* (person or sound or story); yield to temptation or request; ~ *in*, tap telephonic communication, use wireless receiving set; ~ *ing-post*, point near enemy's lines for detecting his movements by sound. Hence ~ *er*¹ (-sn-) n. (*good* ~ *er*, one who habitually ~s with interest or sympathy), (also) person receiving broadcast wireless programmes. [O Northumb. *lysna*, cf. OE *hlosnian* & *hlyst*, see prec.]

lis'terine, n. An antiseptic solution. [Lord Lister (d. 1912), -INE⁴; P]

lis'terize, v.t. Treat (wound) on the antiseptic methods introduced by Lord Lister. So **LISTERIAN** a. [-IZE]

list'less, a. Languid, indifferent, uninterested, disinclined to exertion. Hence ~ *ly*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. obs. *list* inclination (LIST²) + -LESS]

lit. See LIGHT^{2,4}; ~ *up* (sl.), drunk.

lit'aný, n. Series of petitions for use in church services or processions recited by clergy & responded to usu. in repeated formula(s) by people (the *L*~, that contained in the Book of Common Prayer); ~ *desk*, ~ *stool*, at which reciter of ~ kneels. [f. med.L f. Gk *litaneia* prayer (*litaneuō* pray f. *litanoō* suppliant f. *litē* prayer)]

litchi (líché'), n. Fruit(-tree) orig. from China grown in Bengal. [f. Chin. *li-chi*]

-lite, suf. forming names of minerals; F, f. Gk *lithos* stone; usu. preceded by -o-

lit'eracy, n. Ability to read & write. [LITERATE, -CY]

lit'eres *honorat'us* (-z), n. (abbr. *Lit. Hon.*). Polite letters, esp. as name of classical school or examination for B.A. degree at Oxford. [L]

lit'eral, a. & n. 1. Of, in, expressed by, letter(s) of alphabet (~ *error*, also ~ as n., misprint). 2. Following the letter, text, or exact or original words (~ *translation*, *transcript*, etc.), whence ~ *ISM*(4) n. 3. Taking words in their usual or primary sense & applying the ordinary rules of grammar, without mysticism or allegory or metaphor, (~ *interpretation*; *I hear nothing in the ~ sense of the word*, with the ears as opp. other means of getting news), whence ~ *ISM*(3), ~ *IST* (2), nn.; (of persons) prosaic, matter-of-fact. 4. So called without exaggeration (~ *decimation*; often incorrectly used, as a ~ *flood of pamphlets*). Hence ~ *ITY* (-Al⁴), ~ *NESS*, nn., ~ *LY*² adv. [OE, f. L *litteralis* (LETTER, -AL)]

lit'eralise, v.t. Take (metaphor etc.) in literal sense. [-ISE]

lith'et'um dōc'tōr, n. Doctor of literature (as University degree). [L]

lit'erarij, a. Of, constituting, occupied with, literature, polite learning, or books & writing composition esp. of the kind called literature (~ *history of a thing*, of its treatment in literature; ~ *y property*, ex-

clusive right of publication, books etc. subject to this; ~ *y man*, man of I (of word or idiom) uncolloquial, affected by writers. Hence ~ *ly*¹ adv., ~ *INESS* [f. L *litterarius* (LETTER, -ARY²)]

lit'erate, a. & n. (Person) having acquaintance with literature or (n usu.) able to read & write; || man mitted to Anglican orders without universality degree. [f. L *litteratus* (LETTER, -ATR²)]

lit'et'it, n. pl. Men of letters, the learned class. [L, as prec.]

lit'et'it'm, adv. Letter for letter, textually, literally. [L]

lit'erātor, n. Literary man. [L (LITERATE, -OR²) elementary teacher, grammarian, sciolist]

lit'erature, n. Literary culture (arch.); literary production (*engaged in* ~), the literary profession (~ was *represented by* ~); realm of letters, writings of country or period; writings whose value lies in beauty of form or emotional effect (LIGHT⁴ ~); the books treating of a subject; (colloq.) printed matter. [f. L *litteratura* (LITERATE, -URE)]

-lith, suf. repr. Gk *lithos* stone (*aerolith*, *monolith*); cf. -LITE.

lith'arge (-j), n. Lead monoxide. [f. OF *lilarge* f. Gk *litharguros* (*lithos* stone, *arguros* silver) so called as by-product in separation of silver from lead]

lithe (-dh), a. Flexible, supple. Hence ~ *NESS* (-dhn-) n., ~ *SOME* (-dhs-) a. [OE *lithe* soft, cf. G *lind*, cogn. w. L *lentus*]

lith'ia, n. Oxide of lithium; ~ *water*, used for gout. [changed f. earlier *lithion* f. Gk neut. of *litheios* (*lithos* stone) after *soda* etc.]

lith'ic¹, a. Of the stone or calculus; of stone. [f. Gk *lithikos* (prec., -IO)]

lith'ic², a. (chem.). Of lithium. [foll., -IO]

lith'ium, n. Metallic element resembling sodium. [LITHIA, -IUM]

lith(o)-, comb. form of Gk *lithos* stone, esp. in wds having ref. either to the treatment of stone in the bladder or kidneys, or to the use of stone in printing.

lith'ograph (-ahf), n., & v.t. 1. Lithographic print. 2. v.t. Print by lithography; write or engrave on stone. [prec., -GRAPH]

lithōg'raphy, n. Drawing or writing on kind of yellow slaty limestone (*lithographic stone*) so that impressions in ink can be taken. So **lithōg'rapher** n., **litho-graph'ic** a. [LITHO-, -GRAPHY]

lithōl'ogy, n. Science of the nature & composition of stones & rocks, whence **lithol'ogical** a.; department of medical science dealing with calculus. [LITHO-, -LOGY]

lithōtript'ic, a. & n. (Medicine) that breaks up stone in bladder. [f. F *lithontriptique* f. Gk *lithō* through (drgn) comminative of stone]

lith'ophyte, n. (Zool.) polyp whose substance is calcareous, as some corals; (Bot.) plant that grows on stone. [LITHO-, Gk *phylon* plant (*phuō* grow)]

lithōt'om'i, n. Operation of cutting for stone in bladder. Hence or cogn. lithotōm'io(AL) aa. ~IST(1) n., ~IE(1) v.t. [f. LL f. Gk *lithotomia* (LITHO-, TOMY)]

lithōt'rit'i, n. Operation of crushing stone in bladder into small particles that can be passed through urethra. Hence ~IST(1) n., ~IE(1) v.t. [f. LITHONTRITIC, by change of *lithōn* to LITHO- & confusion of -*trit*- (already transferred f. Gk *thruptō* comminute to Gk *tribō* wear) with L *terere* *trit*- wear]

Lithūan'ian, a. & n. (Language or native) of Lithuania. [-AN]

lit'ig'iate, v.i. & t. Go to law, be party to lawsuit; contest (point) at law, whence ~ABLE a. Hence ~ANT(1) n. & a., ~ATION n. [f. L *litigare* (*lis litis* lawsuit). -ATE³]

lit'igious (-jus), a. Given to litigation, fond of going to law; disputable at law, offering matter for lawsuit; of lawsuits. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *litigieux* f. L *litigiosus* (*litigium* litigation, cf. prec.)]

lit'mus, n. Blue colouring-matter got from lichens that is turned red by acid & restored to blue by alkali; ~paper, unsize & stained with ~ as test for acids. [f. MDu. *leemcos* (Lao¹, *moes* pulp)]

lit'otēs (-z), n. Understatement often ironical (as 'scoundrel' is rather a rude word), esp. the expressing of an affirmative by the negative of its contrary, as *no small for great*. [Gk (-es) f. *litos* plain, meagre]

litre (lēt'er), n. Unit of capacity in metric system, = cube of 1/10 metre, about 1½ pints. [F, from 1793, prob. f. LL f. Gk *litra* pound]

lit'ter, n., & v.t. & f. 1. Vehicle containing couch shut in by curtains & carried on men's shoulders or by beasts; framework with couch for transporting sick & wounded; straw, rushes, etc., as bedding esp. for animals; straw & dung of farmyard; odds & ends, leavings, state of untidiness, disorderly accumulation of papers etc., whence ~Y¹ a.; the young brought forth at a birth. 2. vb. Provide (horse etc.) with ~ as bed (usu. down); spread ~ or straw on (floor, stable; usu. down); make (place) untidy (of objects lying about, or of person with these or simply); scatter & leave lying; bring forth (whelps etc., or abs.). [f. OF *litiers* f. med. L *lectaria* (L *lectus* bed, -ARY³)]

litterae, -rarum. See *lite*.

litterateur (see Ap.), n. Literary man. [F] **lit'tle**, a. (LESS, LESSER, LEAST; also smaller, smaller), n., & adv. (LESS, LEAST). 1. Small (often with emotional implications not given by small, cf. *smaller*), not great or big (the idiomatic antitheses are *great &*

~, *big &* ~, *great &* ~, *large &* ~, *big &* ~, *not large &* ~ nor *big &* ~, *small*); (as distinctive epithet) of smaller or smallest size etc. (*the L Auk*, *L Malvern*, *the L BEAR*¹, *the ~ finger* or *toe*). 2. Young (*the ~ Joneses*, Jones's children; ~ *man* or *woman*, boy or girl, esp. as voc.; *his, her, its, our, ~ ones*, children or cubs etc.). 3. As of a child, evoking tenderness, patronage, amusement, etc., (*her poor ~ efforts to please*; *we know his ~ ways*; *so that is your ~ game*, what you are hoping to do undetected). 4. Short in stature, distance, or time (*a ~ man*; *the ~ people*, *fairies*; *will go a ~ way with you*; *wait a ~ while*). 5. Trivial, unimportant, (*every ~ difficulty*); mean, paltry, contemptible, (*with the ~ cunning of ~ minds*). 6. Not much (*gained ~ advantage from it*; often *but* or *very ~*). 7. A ~, some though not much, even a small amount of, (prob. f. the n. use with ellipse of *of*; *give me a ~ butter*; *a ~ care would have prevented it*); (abs.) the ~, persons of ~ power or importance, what is ~; in ~, on a small scale; ~ease (hist.), prison-cell too small to stand or lie full-length in; ~*Englander*, -*dism*, (holder of) principle that Great Britain should contract her responsibilities for colonies & dependencies (opp. IMPERIALIST, -ISM); ||~go (colloq.), first examination for B.A. degree at Cambridge; ||~ *Mary* (colloq.), the stomach; L~*Masters*, group of 16th-c. German engravers, followers of Dürer, named from size of their prints; hence ~NESS (-in-) n. 8. n. Not much, only a small amount, a mere trifle, ~ or nothing, hardly anything; *did not a ~ for the cause*, much; *got but, very, rather, ~ out of it*; *a ~ makes us laugh*; *gives me ~ of his company*; *did what ~ he could*; *the ~ of his work that remains*; a certain but no great amount (*knows a ~ of everything*; *a ~, rather, somewhat*; *not a ~, extremely*); (for a) short time or distance (*after, for, a ~*; *leave me here a ~*; ~ *by ~, by ~ &* ~, by degrees). 9. adv. To a small extent only (*I like him ~*; ~ *known authors*; *is ~ more than a cent*); not at all (*he ~ knows, dreams, etc.*). [OE *lytel*, *lytel*, prob. cogn. w. *litān* bow down]

lit'toral, a. & n. 1. Of, on, the shore. 2. n. Region lying along the shore. [f. L *littoralis* (*litus* -*oris* shore, -AL)]

lit'urg'y (-ter-), n. Communion office of Eastern Church; form of public worship, set of formularies for this; the Book of Common Prayer; (Gk Ant.) public office or duty performed gratuitously by rich Athenian. Hence lit'urgical a., lit'urgical'y adv. [f. med. L f. Gk *leitourgia* (*leitourgos* public servant prob. f. *leō* people, -*ergos* working)]

liv'able, a. (Of house, room, climate, etc.) fit to live in; (of life) worth living; companionable, easy to live with. Hence ~NESS n. [LIVE², -ABLE; cf. *habitable*]

live¹, a. (attrib.). That is alive, living; (joc.) actual, not pretended or pictured or toy (a *real ~ burglar, steam-engine, mountain*); full of power, energy, or importance, not obsolete or exhausted, (*make the question a ~ issue*); glowing (~ *embers*); (of shell, match, wire) unexploded, unkindled, charged with electricity; (of rock) not detached, seeming to form part of the earth's frame; (of wheels etc. in machinery) moving or imparting motion; ~ *bait*, living fish or worm as fishing-bait; ~ *load*, stress resulting from transverse motion of weights (as of locomotive crossing bridge); ~ *oak*, Amer. evergreen tree; ~ *stock*, animals kept or dealt in for use or profit; ~ *wire* (fig.), highly energetic forceful person. [= **ALIVE** used attrib.]

live², v. i. & t. 1. Be alive, have animal or vegetable life. 2. Subsist (*upon* (~ *on fruit*), depend (*upon*) for subsistence (~ *s upon his wife, wife's earnings*, etc.; *living wage*¹); (fig.) sustain one's position or repute (*upon* (~ *s on his name*), get livelihood by one's wits etc. or by doing, (~ & *let* ~, wink at others' incompetence or deficiencies to secure the same treatment for oneself; ~ *from hand*¹ to mouth). 3. Conduct oneself honestly, viciously, like a saint, etc. (~ *up to one's principles, faith*, etc., put them in practice). 4. Arrange one's habits, expenditure, feeding, etc. (~ *fast*, in *clover*; ~ *well*, on dainty food; ~ *on air*, (appear to) take no food; ~ *in a small way*, cheaply & quietly; ~ *close*, stingily; ~ *a double life*, (esp.) sustain two different characters, act two different parts, in life; ~ *to oneself*, in isolation). 5. (With cogn. obj.) spend, pass, experience, (~ *a virtuous life*; *he ~d what he narrated*). 6. Wear down (scandal, prejudice, effect of past guilt) by blameless course of life. 7. Express in one's life (~ *a lie*). 8. Enjoy life intensely. 9. Continue alive, have one's life prolonged, (*patient cannot ~; ~d to see his children's children*; ~ & *learn*¹, way of greeting new fact; ~ *out the night*, remain alive through it); (of things) survive (*his memory ~s*), (of ship) escape destruction (*nothing could ~ afloat*); dwell (|| ~ *in, out*, of shop-assistants residing on premises or not), spend daytime in room (*room does not seem to be ~d in*). [com.-Teut.; OE *libban* cf. Du. *leven*, G. *leben*, cogn. w. **LIFE**]

live³ *lihōōd* (-vī-), n. Means of living, sustenance. [OE *līfdd* (*līfe*, *līd* course, see **LOAD**¹) gradually assimilated to obs. *līfthōōd* liveliness]

live⁴ *līg* (-vī-), a. (poet., rhet.). Whole length of (*the ~ day, night, summer*, with implication of weariness or delight). [*longer than the long* (**LEER**)]

live⁵ *līv* (-vī-), a. Lifelike, realistic, (*a ~y suggestion; give a ~y idea of*); full of life,

vigorous, energetic, brisk, vivid, interesting; (joc.) exciting, dangerous, difficult, (*police had a ~y time*; *press is making it or things ~y for —*); (of colour) bright; gay, vivacious; (of boat etc.) rising lightly to waves. Hence ~ *līv*¹ adv., ~ *līness* n. (a certain ~ *līness*, sl., some heavy gunfire). [OE *līflic* (*līfe*, -*līv*¹)]

liv¹ *en*, v. t. & i. Brighten, cheer, (usu. *up*). [*līfe*, -*en*¹]

liv² *er*¹, n. Large glandular organ in vertebrates secreting bile & purifying venous blood; (also ~ *complaint*) diseased state of ~, whence ~ *līsh*¹ a.; (also ~ *colour*) dark reddish brown; flesh of some animals ~ used as food; (arch.) ~ as seat of emotion (*hot ~*, passionate or amorous temperament; *white or lily ~*, cowardice, whence ~ *ed*¹ a.); ~ *line*, one of lines of palm significant in palmistry; ~ *wing*, right wing of cooked fowl, under which ~ is tucked, (joc.) right arm; ~ *wort*, kinds of plant with ~-shaped parts or used in ~ disease. Hence ~ *less* a. [OE *lifer* cf. Du. *lever*, G. *leber*]

liv³ *er*², n. One who lives in specified way (*clean, loose, ~; good ~*, virtuous person, also one given to good **LIVING**¹). [-*er*¹]

Liverpūd¹ *lian*, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Liverpool. [joc. formation]

liv⁴ *er*³¹, n. 1. Provision of food or clothing served out to retainers etc. (hist.); allowance of provender for horses (*at ~*, of horse, kept for owner & fed & groomed for fixed charge). 2. Distinctive clothes worn by member of city company or person's servant (*in, out of, ~*, of servant, so attired or in plain clothes; also fig., *birds in their winter ~*, the ~ of grief, of other men's opinions, etc.), whence **liv**⁴ *er*³² (-*rid*) a. 3. Membership of city company (*take up one's ~*, become ~ *man*). 4. (Law) legal delivery of property (|| *sue one's ~*, bring suit as heir in court of wards to get possession), writ allowing this. 5. || ~ *company*, one of London City companies that had formerly distinctive costume; || ~ *fine*, payment for becoming member of ~ company; ~ *man*, member of ~ company, keeper of or attendant in ~ stable; ~ *servant*, wearing ~; ~ *stable*, where horses are kept at ~ or let out for hire. [f. F. *livrée* (*livrer* see **DELIVER**, -*Y*⁴)]

liv⁵ *er*⁴¹, a. Of the consistence or colour of liver; (|| of soil) tenacious; having a disordered liver, feeling out of sorts, irritable. [-*er*³]

liv⁶ *id*, a. Of bluish leaden colour; discoloured as by bruise; || (colloq.) furiously angry. Hence or cogn. **livid**¹ *er*¹ n., ~ *lī*¹ adv. [f. L. *lividus*]

liv⁷ *ing*¹, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: liveliness, maintenance, (*make one's ~*); || (Ecol.) benefice; good ~, luxurious feeding; *plain ~ & high thinking*, frugal & philosophic life; ~ *room* (for general day use); ~ *space*, transl. of **LEBENSRAUM**; ~

wage, on which it is possible for worker to live. [-ING¹]

living¹, a. In vbl senses; esp.: contemporary, now existent, (*no man ~ could do better; the greatest ~ master of irony; the first of ~ artists; the ~*, those now alive; *in the land of the ~*, alive); (of likeness) exact, whence ~LY¹ adv.; ~ *water*, perennially flowing; ~ *rock, coal*, =LIVE¹; ~ *language*, still in vernacular use; ~ *death*, state of hopeless misery; *within ~ memory*, that of persons still ~. [-ING¹]

livre (lɛ'vr), n. Old French money of account (20 sous). [F, f. L LIBRA]

lixiv'iâte, v.t. Separate (substance) into soluble & insoluble constituents by percolation of water. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *lixivius* made into lye (*lix*), -ATE¹]

liz'ard, n. Kinds of reptile having usu. long body & tail, four legs, & scaly or granulated hide; fancy variety of canary. [f. OF *lesard* f. L *lacertus* w. assim. to -ARD]

l'il, contr. of WILL in I'll, he'll, tha'll, etc.

lla'ma (lah-, lyah-), n. S.-Amer. ruminant allied to camel but smaller, humpless, & woolly-haired, used as beast of burden; (material made of) its wool. [Sp., prob. f. Peruvian]

lla'nô (lah-, lyah-), n. S.-Amer. treeless plain or steppe. Hence *llanero* (lyah-nâr'ô) n., inhabitant of the ~s. [Sp., f. L *planus* -num PLAIN¹]

Lloyd's (lɔɪdz), n. Incorporated society of marine underwriters in London; ~ *list*, newspaper devoted to maritime intelligence; ~ *register*, annual alphabetic list of ships assigned to various classes. [orig. 17th-c. coffee-house established by Edward Lloyd]

lô, int. (arch.). Look! see!, behold! (usu. *lo and behold*), as loc. introduction of surprising fact. [mixture of OE *lô* int. & ME *lo*=take, LOOK¹]

loach, n. Small edible freshwater fish. [f. F *loche*]

load¹, n. What is (to be) carried, burden; amount usu. carried (*cart* ~ etc.), recognized unit in measure or weight of certain substances; material object or force acting as weight or clog, resistance of machinery worked to motive power, pressure of superstructure on arch etc.; (Electr.) amount of current supplied by a dynamo or generating station at any given time (see PEAK¹); burden of responsibility, care, grief, etc. (*take a ~ off one's mind*, relieve him of anxiety); (pl., colloq.) plenty, superabundance, heaps, lots, of; ~ *displacement, draught*, of ship when laden; ~ *stone, lodestone*, magnetic oxide of iron, piece of it used as magnet, thing that attracts, (=way stone, see etym.); ~ *(water)line*, ship's flotation line when laden, Plimsoll's mark. [OE *lôd* way, journey, conveyance, of G *lette*, cogn. w. LEAD¹]

load¹, v.t. & i. Put load on or aboard (person, vehicle, ship, etc.), (of ship, vehicle, person responsible for these, or person) take load aboard etc. (often up); place (load, cargo) aboard ship, on vehicle, etc.; add weight to, be burden upon, oppress with (*stomach ~ed with food*), weight with lead (*a ~ed cane; ~ed dice*, so weighted as to fall with a certain face up), strain bearing-capacity of (*table ~ed with food*); adulterate with something to increase weight or (of wines) strength; supply or assail overwhelmingly with (~ed her with gifts, praise, abuse; air ~ed with carbon); charge (fire-arms; am ~ed, have my gun etc. charged); (Stock-Exch.) buy heavily of stock (~ed up with, having large amounts of in hand as security); (Life-insurance) add extra charge or ~ING¹ n. to (premium) for special reasons. [f. prec.]

load'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: attendant loading sportsman's guns; loading-machine; ~, gun loaded in specified way (*breech, muzzle, single, ~*), so -load'ING² a. [-ER¹]

loaf¹, n. (pl. *loaves* pr. lɔvz). Piece of bread baked alone or as separate or separable part of batch, usu. of some standard weight as 1lb., 2lb., or 4lb. (COTTAGE, household, tinned, ~, various shapes; QUARTERN ~; brown ~, of BROWN bread; white ~, of FIRSTS; *loaves & fishes*, personal profit as inducement to religious profession or public service, see John vi. 26; *half a ~ is better than no bread*, motto of compromise, opp. all or nothing); (also *sugar* ~) conical moulded mass of sugar (~ *sugar*, this as whole or cut into lumps); || solid roundish head of cabbage or lettuce, whence *loaved²* (-vd) a. [com.-Teut.; OE *hlôf*, cf. G *laib*, etym. dub.]

|| **loaf²**, *loave*, v.i. (Of cabbage etc.) form a loaf or head. [f. prec.]

loaf³, v.i. & t. & n. 1. Spend time idly; saunter; ~ (time) away, spend in ~ing; hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. ~ing (*going to have a, on the, ~*). [etym. dub.; ~ may be back form. f. *loafer*]

loam, n. Paste of clay & water, composition of moistened clay & sand with chopped straw etc. used in making bricks, plastering, etc.; fertile soil chiefly of clay & sand with admixture of decayed vegetable matter, whence ~Y¹ a. [OE *lām*, cf. Du. *leem*, G *lehm*, cogn. w. LIME¹]

loan, n., & v.t. 1. Thing, esp. sum of money, lent to be returned with or without interest; word, custom, etc., adopted by one people from another (so ~god, ~myth, ~word); lending or being lent (*on ~; may I have the ~ of -?*, may I borrow it?); money contribution from individuals or public bodies to State expenses acknowledged as debt; arrangement or contract by which a government receives advances of money usu. for stipulated

interest. 2. ~ *collection*, of pictures etc. lent by owners for exhibition; ~ *holder*, person holding debentures or other acknowledgements of ~, mortgage; ~ *office*, for lending money to private borrowers, also for receiving subscriptions to government ~; ~ *society*, of periodical subscribers to fund from which members may have ~s. 3. v.t. (new chiefly U.S.). Grant ~ of, whence ~ *ABLE* a., ~ *EE'*, ~ *EE'*, nn. [OE *lān*, cf. Du. *leen*, G. *lehn*, cogn. w. Gk *leipō* leave, & OE *lēon* lend]

loath, *lōth*, a. (pred. only). Disinclined, reluctant, unwilling, (usu. to do or abs.; also for person to do, or that; nothing ~, quite willing or willingly); ~ *to depart*, tane played as farewell. [OE *lāth*, cf. Du. *leed*, also G. *leid* sorrow, f. OTeut. *lathō* whence F. *laid* ugly]

loath[e] (-dh), v.t. Regard with disgust, abominate, detest. Hence ~ *ING*¹(l) n., ~ *INGLY*² adv., (-dh-). [OE *lāthan* (prec.)]

loath[ly] (-dh-), a. (Arch. & literary for) loathsome. Hence ~ *INESS* n. [OE *lāthlic* (LOATH, -LY¹)]

loath[some] (-th-, -dh-), a. Exciting nausea or disgust, offensive to the senses, sickening, repulsive, odious. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [LOATH, -SOME]

leaves. See LOAF¹.

lob, v.i. & t. (-bb-), & n. 1. Walk, run, or move, heavily or clumsily or slowly (often *along*); toss, bowl, or send, (ball) with slow or high-pitched motion. 2. n. Ball bowled underhand at cricket or sent high in air at lawn tennis. [f. obs. *lob* n. *fowl's wattle* etc.]

lob[ate], a. (nat. hist.). Having lobe(s). Hence ~ *A'TION* n. [LOBE, -ATE²]

lobb[by], n., & v.t. & i. 1. Porch, anteroom, entrance-hall, corridor; (in House of Commons etc.) large hall open to public used esp. for interviews between members & outsiders, (also *division* ~) one of two corridors to which members retire to vote; 2. vb (chiefly U.S.). Influence (members of legislature), get (bill etc.) *through*, by ~ interviews etc.; frequent ~ of legislature, solicit members' votes, whence ~ *ISM*(l) n. [f. med. L *lobia* LODGE¹]

lobe, n. Roundish & flatish projecting or pendulous part, often one of two or more such parts divided by fissure (so ~ of *liver* or *lungs*; ~s of *brain*; ~ of *ear*, lower soft pendulous external part). Hence lob[ar] *AE*¹ a. (esp. of the lungs, as *lobar pneumonia*), lob[ar] *AE*² (-bd), ~ *NESS* (-bi-), aa. [f. LL f. Gk *lobos* lobe, pod., cogn. w. *LEGUME*]

lob[el]ia, n. Kinds of herbaceous plant with blue, scarlet, or purple flowers having deeply cleft corolla without spur. [M. de Lobel. -IA¹]

lob[el]ly *maia*, boy, nn. (nant.). Surgeon's mate, attendant. [f. obs. *lobolly* grol, grob, kind of bubbling]

lob[ocow] (-ow), n. Sailor's dish of

meat stewed with vegetables & ship's biscuit. [?]

lob[ster], n. Large marine stalk-eyed ten-footed long-tailed edible crustacean with large claws formed by first pair of feet, bluish black before & scarlet after boiling; its flesh as food; (derog.) British soldier; ~ *eyed*, with protruding eyes; ~ *joint* (adaptable kind in pipe or tube); ~ *pot*, basket in which ~s are trapped. [OE *lopustre* corrupt. of L *locusta* LOCUST, (orig.) lobster, cf. F. *langouste*; ending assim. to -STER]

lob[ul]e, n. Small lobe. Hence ~ *AR*¹ a. [LOBE, -ULE]

lob[worm] (-wērm), n. Large earthworm used as fishing-bait; marine worm (also *lug*) similarly used. [f. obs. *lob* n., see LOB]

local¹, *lōcale'*, (-ahl), n. Scene or locality of operations or events. [F (-), abs. use of adj. -foll.; -s is E respelling to indicate stress, cf. MORALE]

local², a. & n. 1. In regard to place (~ *habitation*, position in space as test of thing's material existence; *London is a ~ name*; ~ *adverb*). 2. Belonging to, existing in, or peculiar to certain place(s) (~ *time*, reckoned from sun's transit over place's meridian; *the ~ lawyer*; *globe-flower is very ~*, not generally distributed; ~ *government*, administration of town etc. by inhabitants' representatives, || *L Government Board*, State department later absorbed by MINISTRY of Health; || *examination*, held in various places under university board & giving certificates to boys & girls; ~ *preacher*, Methodist layman authorized to preach in his own circuit; ~ *option*, *veto*, system by which inhabitants of district may prohibit sale of liquor in it; ~ *colour*, details characteristic of the scene or time represented in novel or other literary work inserted to give actuality, & see below). 3. Affecting, of, a part & not the whole (~ *disease*, *pain*, *remedy*; ~ *colour* in picture, that of separate objects apart from general colour-scheme, & see above). 4. (Math.) of a locus. 5. || (Post.; written on cover of letter as warning to P.O. officials) for delivery in this town or district; hence ~ *LY*² adv. 6. n. Inhabitant of, professional man practising in, particular district; ~ *preacher*; (item of) ~ *news* in newspaper; postage-stamp current in limited district; train serving stations of district; || (colloq.) the ~ *public house*; || (pl.) ~ *examination(s)*. [F, f. L *localis* (locus place, -AL)]

localism, n. Attachment to a place; limitation of ideas etc. resulting; favouring of what is local; a local idiom, custom, etc. [-ISM]

local[ity], n. Thing's position, place where it is; site or scene of something; faculty of remembering & recognising places.

finding one's way, etc. [*f. F localité* f. LL *localitatem* (LOCAL², -TY)]

localize, v.t. Invest with the characteristics of a particular place; restrict to particular place; attach to districts, decentralize; concentrate (attention) upon; (rare) = LOCATE. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ATION n. [-IZE]

Locarnó, n. Pact of ~, set of treaties concluded at ~ in 1925, with France, Germany, & Belgium as chief parties, & Great Britain & Italy as guarantors, intended to secure inviolability of the frontiers & other safeguards of peace; the spirit of ~, renunciation of ancient enmities, esp. of that between France & Germany. [~ in Switzerland]

locate, v.t. *Establish in a place, (pass.) *be situated; state locality of; discover exact place of (~ the enemy's camp). Hence LOCAL¹ n., (also, Cinemat.) place outside studio where (part of) picture is filmed (esp. on location). [*f. L locare* (locus place), -ATE¹]

locative, a. & n. (gram.). (Case) denoting place where. [prec., -IVE]

loch (lɒx), n. Scottish lake; an arm of the sea, esp. when narrow or partially landlocked. [Gael.]

lock, n. Portion of hair that hangs together, tress, (pl.) hair of head; tuft of wool or cotton. Hence ~ED¹ (-kt) a. [OE *loc* masc., cf. Du. *lok*, G *locke*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *lupos* withy]

lock, n. 1. Appliance for fastening door, lid, etc., with bolt that requires key of particular shape to work it (*under ~ & key*, locked up); appliance to keep wheel from revolving or slewing. 2. Mechanism for exploding charge of gun (~, *stock*, & barrel, whole of thing, completely). 3. Confined section of canal at point where level changes for raising & lowering boats by use of sluiced gates. 4. Ante-chamber to chamber in which engineering work is done in compressed air. 5. Interlocking, e.g. block or jam of vehicles in street. 6. Extent to which fore-wheel's can be made to cross hind-wheel's plane. 7. (Also L~ Hospital) hospital for venereal disease. 8. ~fast, secured with ~; ~keeper, ~sman; ~man, coroner's summoner in I. of Man; ~sman, keeper of canal ~; ~smith, maker & mender of ~s. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *loc* neut., cf. G *lock* hole, Da. *laag* lid]

lock, v.t. & i. 1. Fasten (door, box, etc.) with lock, shut up (house etc.) by fastening doors thus, (of door etc.) admit of being so fastened, have a lock; shut (person, thing) up, in, or into; ~ the stable door after the horse has been stolen, take precautions too late. 2. (Of land, hills, etc.) hem in (usu. in pass.). 3. Ag. Store (up or away) inaccessible (facts ~ed up in interstices; capital ~ed up in land); imprison (senses ~ed in sleep). 4. Keep

(person) out by ~ing door (esp. of employer coercing workmen by refusing them work; ~out n., this procedure, cf. STRIKE). 5. Bring or come into rigidly fixed position, engage, (make) catch, fasten by interlacing or fitting of corresponding parts, entangle; (p.p.) joined in hostile or other embrace. 6. (Mil., of rear rank) march so close to front rank that feet overlap. 7. (Of vehicle or wheels) (have fore-wheels that) admit of being slewed into different planes from those of hind-wheels. 8. Provide (canal etc.) with locks; convey (boat) up or down through lock; go through lock. 9. ~chain, for ~ing wheels of vehicle; ~jaw, ~ed-jaw, (pop. name for) trismus, variety of tetanus, tonic spasm of muscles of mastication causing jaws to remain rigidly closed; ~nut, extra nut screwed over another to prevent its starting; ~spring, closing watch-case; ~stitch, sewing-machine stitch by which two threads are firmly ~ed together; ~up, (time of) ~ing up school etc. for night, unrealizable state of invested capital or amount of capital ~ed up, house or room for temporary detention of prisoners, (attrib.) that can be ~ed up (~up garage). [*f. prec.*]

lock, n. Amount of rise or fall effected by canal locks; toll for use of lock; use or number of locks. [-AGE]

lock, n. In vbl senses; also: small cupboard, esp. one of many reserved each for individual's use in public room, e.g. cricket pavilion or schoolroom; (Naut.) chest or compartment for clothes, stores, ammunition, etc. (not a shot in the ~, no money in one's pocket; DAVY JONES'S LOCKER). [-ER¹]

lock, n. Metal plate or band on scabbard; small gold or silver case holding portrait, lock of hair, etc., & usu. hung from neck. [*f. OF locquet* (loc latch f. Teut. cogn. w. LOCK², -ET¹)]

Lock, n. Of John Locke or his philosophy or followers. So ~IST(2) n. [-IAN]

lock, n. Locomotive engine. [abbr.]

lock, n. Poisonous leguminous plant found in U.S. (~disease, brain disease affecting cattle eating ~). Hence ~, ~ED¹ (-ōd), aa. (sl.), crazy. [Sp., =insane]

lock, adv. (abbr. loc. cit. or l.c.). In the passage already quoted. [L.]

lock, v.i. (biol.). Move from place to place. [back formation f. foll.]

lock, n. (Power of) motion from place to place; travel, way (esp. artificial) of travelling. [*f. L loco* see foll., *motio* motion]

lock, a. & n. 1. Of locomotion (~faculty, power), (loc.) of travel (in these ~days); having power of or given to locomotion, not stationary, (the ~locomotives; a ~person, loc., constantly travelling; ~engine, that goes from place to place by its own power, esp. steam-engine for

drawing train along rails); effecting locomotion (*the ~ organs*). 2. n. ~ engine; (sl., pl.) legs (*use your ~s*); ~ animal. [f. *L loco* abl. of *LOCUS*, *MOTIVUS* a.; suggested by scholastic phr. *in loco moveri* move in space]

lōc'omōtor, n. & a. 1. Locomotive person or thing. 2. adj. Of locomotion (~ *ATAXY*). [as prec., *MOTOR*]

lōc'omōtorŷ, a. Of, having, locomotion. [as prec., *MOTORY*]

lōc'ūlus, n. (zool., anat., bot.); pl. ~i. One of a number of small separate cavities. Hence ~AR¹ a. [L, dim. of *LOCUS*]

lōc'um tēn'ēns (-z; also colloq. **lōc'um**), n. Deputy acting esp. for clergyman or doctor. Hence **lōc'um-tēn'ēncy** n. [med. L, (one) holding place *TENANT*, (coll.)]

lōc'us, n. (pl. -ci pr. -si). Locality or exact place of something; (Math.) curve etc. made by all points satisfying particular equation of relation between co-ordinates, or by point, line, or surface, moving according to mathematically defined conditions; ~ *class'icus*, best known or most authoritative passage on a subject; ~ *in quō*, scene of event; ~ *poenitē'tiae* (-shīē), opportunity allowed for receding until decisive step has been taken; ~ *stān'di*, recognized position, right to intervene, appear in court, etc. [L, = place]

lōc'ust, n. Kinds of African & Asiatic winged edible insect migrating in swarms & consuming vegetation of districts; person of devouring or destructive propensities; fruit of carob-tree; cassia pod; (also ~tree) kinds of tree, esp. carob & false acacia; ~bird, ~eater, kinds of bird feeding on ~s. [f. *L locusta* lobster, locust]

loc'ution, n. Style of speech; word or phrase considered in regard to style, idiom, (*a barbarous ~*; *to use the Greek ~*). [f. *L locutio* (*loqui locut*-speak, -ION)]

lōc'utōry, n. Parlour or conversation-room in monastery; grille for interviews between inmates of monastery & outsiders. [f. med. L *locutorium* (prec., -ORY)]

lōde, n. || Watercourse, open drain in fens; vein of metal ore; ~star, *loadstar*, star that is steered by, esp. the pole-star, (fig.) guiding principle, object of pursuit; ~stone, see *LOAD* stone. [var. of *LOAD*¹]

lōdge¹, n. 1. Small house (arch.). 2. Cottage at gates of park or grounds of large house, occupied by gardener or other servant; house (e.g. in Scottish Highlands) occupied in the hunting or shooting season. 3. Porter's room at gate of college, factory, or house of chambers or flats. 4. (Freemasonry etc.) (place of meeting for) members of branch; *grand ~*, governing body of freemasons & societies initiating them. 5. || Residence of head of college at Cambridge.

6. Beaver's or otter's lair. 7. N.-Amer. Indian's tent or wigwam. [f. OF *loge* f. med. L *lobia* (LOBBY) f. Teut. (G *laube* *arbour*, prob. cogn. w. LEAF¹)]

lōdge², v.t. & i. 1. Provide with sleeping-quarters; receive as guest or inmate; establish as resident in house or room(s), (pass.) be *well*, *ill*, etc., accommodated in regard to house-room. 2. Serve as habitation for, contain, (pass.) be contained in. 3. Leave in place or with person for security. 4. Deposit in court or with official a formal statement of (complaint, information); (pop.) allege (objection etc.). 5. Place (power etc.) in, with, in the hands of, (person). 6. (Of wind) lay (crops) flat. 7. (Make, let) stick or remain in place without falling or going further (~d *bullet*, *bullet ~d*, in *his brain*; *tide ~s mud in the cavities*). 8. Reside, be situated; || be inmate paying for accommodation in another's house, whence **lōdg'ER**¹ n. (~r *franchise*, right to vote at election of M.P. enjoyed by a class of ~rs before the 1918 extension). [f. OF *logier* (prec.)]

lōdg'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: accommodation in hired rooms; dwelling-place, abode, (pl.) room(s) hired elsewhere than in hotel for residing in; ~house, in which ~s are let (|| *common ~house*, usu. one with dormitory in which bed can be had for the night). [-ING¹]

lōdge'ment, -gment, (-jm-), n. (Mil.) temporary defensive work on captured part of enemy's works; stable position gained, foothold, (*make, effect, a ~*); (Law) deposit(ing) of money; accumulation of matter intercepted in fall or transit. [f. F *logement* (prec., -MENT)]

lō'ëss, n. Deposit of fine yellowish-grey loam in Rhine & other river valleys. [G *löss*]

loft (law-, lō-), n., & v.t. 1. Attic; room over stable; pigeon-house; flock of pigeons; gallery in church or hall; (Golf) backward slope in club-head, ~ing-stroke. 2. v.t. Hit (golf-ball) high up, clear (obstacle) thus; keep (pigeons) in~. [ON, =sky, air, loft, cf. G *luft*]

lof'ter (law-, lō-), n. Golf-club for lofting. [-ER¹]

lof'tŷ (law-, lō-), a. Of imposing height, towering, soaring. (~y *mountain, flight, stature*; not of persons); haughty, consciously superior or dignified, (~y *contempt, good humour*); exalted, distinguished, high-flying, high-flown, elevated, sublime, grandiose. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-Y²]

lōg¹, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Unhewn piece of felled tree or similar rough mass of wood (*in the ~*, unhewn; *float, lie, fall, like a ~*, in helpless or stunned state; *roll my ~ & I'll roll yours*, applied to mutual help, esp. to unprincipled political combinations & puffing of each other's works by author-

reviewers, whence *~röll* v.i., *~rölling* n. & a.; *King Log*, fainéant ruler, w. ref. to fable of Jupiter & the frogs, cf. STORK. 2. Float attached to line wound on reel for gauging speed of ship, other apparatus for same purpose, (*heave, throw, the ~, use this; sail by the ~, calculate ship's position by it*); = *~book*. 3. || Table by which journeyman-tailor's work-time is assessed. 4. *~board*, on which entries are made for transcription into *~book*, book with permanent record daily made of all events occurring in ship's voyage including rate of progress shown by *~*, (also) traveller's diary etc.; *~cabin*, hut built of *~s*; *~line*, to which float of ship's *~* is attached; *~wood*, (wood of) Amer. tree used in dyeing. 5. v.t. Cut into *~s*; enter (distance made etc.) in ship's *~book*, (of ship) make (distance); enter (seaman's name with offence committed) in *~book*, fine (offender). [ME *logge*, etym. dub.; cf. CLOG]

lóg, = LOGARITHM (of prefixed to number or algebraic symbol).

lóg'anberry, n. Fruit got by cross between raspberry & blackberry. [*Logan*, surname]

lóg'an(st)one, n. Poised heavy stone rocking at a touch. [= *logging* (dial. *log* to rock)]

lógaoed'ic (-aē), a. & n. (Line) in metre composed of dactyls & trochees. [f. LL f. Gk *logaoidikos* combining prose & poetry (*logos* speech, *ooidē* song, -ic)]

lóg'arithm, n. One of a class of arithmetical functions tabulated for use in abridging calculation & enabling computer to substitute addition & subtraction for multiplication & division, & the latter two for involution & evolution; index of power to which fixed number (the *base*) must be raised to produce given number (*the ~ of 1,000 is 3; common ~s*, whose base is 10). Hence **lógarithmic** a., **lógarithmically** adv. [f. Gk *logos* reckoning, ratio, *arithmos* number]

loge (lōzh), n. Box in theatre etc. [F] **-loger**, suf. repr. L *-logus* or Gk *-logos*. *Astrologer*, the oldest wd of the type, may be either f. L *astrologus* + -ER¹ (afterwards a common type of formation) or f. *astrology* + -ER¹ (cf. -GRAPHER). As living suf., *~* was used to form personal nn. corresp. to wds in -LOGY, but is now superseded by -LOGIST.

lóggerhead (-gerhēd), n. 1. Blockhead, fool, (arch.; *We three ~s be*, inscription under two wooden heads on inn-sign). 2. Iron instrument with ball at end heated for melting pitch etc.; post built into boat for catching turn of rope to; kinds of large-headed turtle & bird. 3. *At ~s (with)*, disagreeing or disputing (with) (prob. f. notion of trying whose head is harder). [f. dial. *logger* block of wood for hobbling horse]

lógg'ia (-iya), n. (pl. *~s* or *loggie* pr. -ā). Open-sided gallery or arcade. [It.]

lóg'ic, n. Science of reasoning, proof, thinking, or inference; particular scheme of or treatise on this; chain of reasoning, correct or incorrect use of argument, ability in argument, arguments (OHP⁴ ~), (*argues with great learning & ~; is not governed by ~*); (with purposely perverted sense) converting-power, compulsion, (*the ~ of events, facts, necessity, grape-shot, war, etc.*). So **lóg'ician** (-ishn) n. [f. F *logique* f. med. L f. Gk *logikē* (tekhne art) of reason f. LOGOS, -ic(2)]

-logic, -logical. See -LOGY.

lóg'ical, a. Of logic or formal argument; not contravening the laws of thought, correctly reasoned; deducible, defensible on ground of consistency, reasonably to be believed or done; capable of correct reasoning. Hence *~ity* (-āl²) n., *~ly*² adv. [-AL]

lóg'ie (-gī), n. Zinc ornament looking like jewel used in theatres. [perh. inventor's name]

lóg'ion (-g-), n. (pl. -ia). Saying of Christ, not recorded in Gospels but preserved elsewhere. [Gk. = oracle (LOGOS)]

-logist, suf. forming nn. meaning *one versed in -logy*, f. -LOGY, -IST.

logis'tics, n. pl. Art of moving & quartering troops (cf. STRATEGY, TACTICS), & supplying & maintaining a fleet. [f. F *logistique* (*loger* LODGE², -IO)]

lóg'ogram, n. Sign or character representing a word in shorthand. [LOGOS, -GRAM]

lóg'ograph (-ahf), n. = prec.; = LOGOTYPE. [LOGOS, -GRAPH]

lóg'ographer, n. (Gk Ant.). One of the Greek prose historians before Herodotus; ancient-Greek professional speech-writer. [f. Gk *logographos* (LOGOS, -GRAPHER)]

lóg'ogriph, n. Kind of anagrammatic word-puzzle. [f. F *logogriphe* (LOGOS, Gk *griphos* riddle)]

lógom'achy (-k-), n. (literary). Dispute about words, controversy turning on merely verbal points. [f. Gk *logomakhia* (LOGOS, -makhia -fighting)]

lóg'os, n. (no pl.). The Word or Second Person of the Trinity. [Gk. = word, reason, f. *legō* speak, used in mystic sense by Hellenistic & Neo-Platonist philosophers & in St John]

lóg'otype, n. Word, or more letters than one, cast in one piece but not as ligature, for use in printing. [prec., TYPE]

-logue (lōg), suf. repr. Gk *-logos, -logon*, chiefly in wds f. F (*cata-~, dia-~*). Personal nn. = *one skilled in -logy* (*ideo-~*) are now rare, -LOGGER or -LOGIST being usu. preferred.

-logy, suf. f. Gk *-logia* (in early instances, thr. F *-logie* f. med. L *-logia*). 1. In most wds *-log* is the o form of Gk *leg-* speak, *-logia* indicating the character, action, or

branch of knowledge, of a person (Gk *-logos* n. or a.) who speaks in a certain way (*brachy-*, *tauto-*, *eu-*) or treats of a certain subject (*theo-*, *astro-*). If compounds of the latter kind, in which first component is alw. n., take -o- with some exceptions (*genea-*, *minera-*). *Socio-*, *termino-*, are hybrids. 2. In a few wds *-log-* is the Gk *logos* discourse (*tri-*, *tetra-*).—Mod. formations in ~ may alw. have correl. adj. in *-logical* (rarely *-logic*), & nn. in *-logist* (occas. *-LOGGER*).

loin, n. (Pl.) part of body on both sides of spine between false ribs & hip-bones (*gird up one's ~s*, prepare for journey or effort; *fruit, child, etc.*, of, sprung from, etc., one's ~s, one's begotten offspring); joint of meat that includes the ~ vertebrae; ~-cloth, worn for decency & fastened round ~s. Hence ~ED² (-nd) a. [f. OF *loigne* (L *lumbus*) cogn. w. Du. *lende*]

loir (loi'er), n. The Fat Dormouse. [F, f. L *glireum* nom. *glis*]

loit'er, v.i. & t. Linger on the way, hang about; travel indolently & with frequent pauses; pass (time etc.) away in ~ing. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. [f. MDu. *loteren* wag about]

loll, v.t. & l. Hang (one's tongue) out, (of tongue) hang (usu. out); stand, sit, or recline, in lazy attitude; let (one's head or limbs) rest lazily on something. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [prob. imit.; cf. LULL]

Löll'ard, n. One of the 14th-c. heretics who followed Wyclif or held opinions like his. Hence ~ISM(S) n. [f. MDu. *lollaerd* (lollen mumble, -ARD)]

loll'op, n. (usu. pl.). Sweetmeat(s), sugar-plum(s). [f]

loll'op, v.i. (colloq.). Flop about; move or proceed in a lounging or ungainly way. (extension of LOLL)

Lomb'ard (lu-, lō-), n. & a. 1. One of the Germanic 6th-c. conquerors of Italy; native of Lombardy. 2. adj. Of the ~s or Lombardy, Lombardic; ~street, a London street formerly occupied by ~ bankers, & still containing many of chief London banks, (transf.) the money market, financiers as a body (~ Street to a china orange, virtual certainty, long odds). [F, f. It. *Lombardo* f. LL *Longobardus* (LONG¹, L *Bard* name of the people)]

Lombard'ic, a. Of the Lombards or Lombardy (esp. of N.-Ital. 7th-18th-c. architecture & 15th-18th-c. painting). [f. med. L *Lombardicus* (prec., -ic)]

lōm'ent, n. (bot.). Kind of pod that breaks up when mature into one-seeded joints. Hence ~aceous (-shus) a. [f. L *lomentum* bean-meal (orig. cosmetic) f. *lo-*, *lavare*, wash, -MENT]

Lom'don (lu-), attrib. a. ~ clay, geological formation in lower division of eocene system in S.-E. England; ~ day, fog or smoke; ~ particular, colloq., kind of person; ~ weather the ~; ~ wife, kind of

saxifrage; ~ smoke, dull grey colour. So ~ER¹(4), ~ISM(4), nn., ~ISM(3) v.t.

lōne, attrib. a. Solitary, companionless, unfrequented, uninhabited, lonely, (poet. or rhet., exc. in ~ hand, hand played or player playing against the rest at quadrille & euchre, also fig.); feeling or making felt lonely, whence ~SOME (-ns-) a., ~somerly¹ adv., ~som (of woman) single or widowed. [attrib. form of ALONE, cf. LIVE¹]

lōne'ly (-nl-), a. Solitary, companionless, isolated; unfrequented. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

lōng¹, a. & n. 1. Measuring much from end to end in space or time (~ line, distance, journey; ~ life, whence ~LIVED¹ (-vd') a.; make a ~ arm, reach out for something esp. at table; has a ~ arm, can make his power felt far; ~ face, dismal; ~ head, of more than average length, (fig.) shrewdness or foresight, whence ~head'ED¹ a., ~head'edNESS n., (-hēd), lit. & fig.; make a ~ nose, cock a snook; ~ tongue, loquacity; hoo etc. ~ miles etc., more than that; by a ~ CHALK¹; grievance etc. of ~ standing, not recent); (prefixed to name; colloq.) tall (L ~ Tom, gun of great length or range). 2. Far-reaching, acting at a distance, involving great interval or difference, (~ sight, that sees distant objects, (fig.) penetration, whence ~sight'ED¹ a., ~sight'edNESS n., (-sit-), lit. & fig.; little PITCHERS have ~ ears; take ~ views, consider remote effects; ~ odds in betting, very uneven; ~ bowls, fighting at ~ range, opp. close quarters; ~ date, distant date for maturing of bill etc.; ~ waist in dress, made far down). 3. (Usu. appended to measurement) having specified length or duration (tail 6 in. ~; vacation is two months ~; as BROAD as it is ~). 4. Of elongated shape; remarkable for or distinguished by or concerned with length or duration (~ clay, churchwarden pipe; ~ DIVISION; ~ drink, one served in tall glass; ~ ears, stupidity as of ass, whence ~eared¹ (-ēd') a.; ~ finger, the second; ~ jump, measured along ground, opp. high jump; ~ measure, miles, yards, inches, etc.; ~ metre, hymn-stanza of four eight-syllable lines; L ~ Parliament, that elected 1640 & dissolved 1660; ~ PENNER; ~ robe, legal attire, esp. gentlemen of the ~ robe, lawyers; in the ~ run, in the end after vicissitudes; || ~ service, system of military etc. enlistment for many e.g. 12 years; || ~ vacation, summer vacation of law-courts & universities; ~ WHIST¹; ~ wind, capacity for running far without rest, or fig. for talking or writing at tedious length, whence ~wind'ED¹ a., ~wind'edNESS n.). 5. Expressed by many ciphers or consisting of many individuals (~ figure or price, heavy cost; ~ family, of many children; ~ full, of many items; ~ out, many cards at one

suit in a hand, also, colloq., thing at which one exclaims. 6. Lengthy, prolix, tedious. 7. Of more than the usual numerical amount (~ DOZEN, HUNDRED). 8. Lasting, going far back or forward, (a ~ custom, memory, farewell). 9. (Phonet., Pros.; of vowel or syllable) (prop.) having the greater of the two recognized durations, (pop.) stressed, (also, of vowel) having the pronunciation shown in its name (e.g., *pale* & *lucre* have ~, *pat* & *put* or *but* short a & u). 10. ~bill, kinds of bird, esp. anipe; ~boat, sailing-ship's largest boat (cf. LAUNCH²); ~bow, drawn by hand & discharging ~ feathered arrow (cf. CROSS-BOW), *draw the ~bow*, tell exaggerated or invented stories; ~butt, cue for reaching billiard-ball beyond range of half-butt; ~cloth, kind of calico made in ~ pieces; ~clothes, & arch. ~coats, clothes of baby in arms; ~field, ~ off or on (see below), also part of ground behind bowler; || ~FIRM¹; ~hand, ordinary writing (opp. SHORTHAND); ~hop, short-pitched ball in cricket; ~off, on, man fielding at bowler's left, right, rear; ~pig, sailors' transl. of cannibals' name for human flesh; || ~pull, overmeasure given by public-houses to attract custom; ~shanks, stilt or ~legged plover; ~stop, man fielding straight behind wicket-keeper, (vb) field there; ~wave (Wireless), having a wave-length of (about) 800 metres or more; hence ~ISE¹(2) a., ~WAYS, ~WISE, (-Z), adv. 11. n. ~interval or period (*shall see you before ~; shall not be away for ~; will not take ~; it is ~ since I saw him; so at ~est*, to mention the most distant date possible); recital at length (*the ~ & the short of it*, all that can or need be said, the total upshot); ~syllable (~s & shorts, verse esp. Latin); (Archit.) ~s & shorts, ~ & short blocks placed alternately; || ~vacation. [com. -Teut.; OE & Du. & G lang, oogn. w. L *longus* & perh. Gk *dolikhos*]

long¹, adv. (~er, ~est, pr. -ngg-). For a long time (*have ~ thought so; nor wants that little ~; so or as ~ as*, transl., provided that, if only; *be ~ doing, & prob. by confusion of the adv. w. the adj., in doing*, take a long time, be slow, to do, as *he was ~ finding it out, the chance was ~ in coming; not be ~ for this world*, have short time to live; ~liver, one who lives ~); by a long time (~before, after, since, ago); (appended to nn. of duration) throughout specified time (*all day ~, his life ~*); (comp., with no, any, much, etc.) after implied point of time (*shall not wait any ~er; no ~er, not henceforth as formerly*); ~ago a. & n., (belonging to) the distant past; ~drawn(-out), unduly prolonged; ~standing, that has ~ existed; ~suffering a. & n., bearing provocation patiently. {OE *lange* (pres.)}

long², v.i. Yearn, wish vehemently, for thing or to do. Hence ~ING¹(1) n., ~ingl² adv. [OE *langian* seem LONG¹ to]

-long, suf., f. LONG¹, has ousted -LING¹ in *side~*, *head~*. End~ f. ON *endlangr* adj. orig. meaning *extending from end to end* was used in E as adv. meaning *endwise*, & ~thus came to be regarded as var. of -ling.

longanim¹ity (-ngg-), n. (rare). Long-suffering, forbearance. [f. LL *longanimitas* (*longanimus* f. *longus* long, *animus* spirit, -TY)]

longeron (-j-), n. (usu. in pl.). Longitudinal member of aeroplane's fuselage or nacelle. [F, = girder]

longev¹al, -gae-, (-j-), a. Long-lived. [f. L *longaeus* (*longus* long, *aevum* age, -AL)]

longev¹ity (-j-), n. Long life. [f. L *longaevitae* (prec., -TY)]

longi (-ji-), comb. form of L *longus* long in scientific terms, as ~caudate long-tailed, ~corn kinds of beetle with long threadlike antennae.

longitude (-j-), n. Length (now loc.); (Geog.) angular distance east or west from a standard meridian, as that of Greenwich, to the meridian of any place, reckoned to 180° E. or W. (abbr. long.); (Astron.) angular distance eastward on ecliptic from vernal equinoctial point to foot of body's or point's circle of latitude. [f. L *longitudo* -inis (prec., -TUDINE)]

longitud¹inal (-ji-), a. Of or in length; running lengthwise; of longitude. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [-AL]

Longobard, n. = LOMBARD (1st sense).

long-shore, a. Existing or found or employed on, frequenting, the shore; ~man, landsman employed in loading ships, shore-fishing, etc. [for *along shore*]

longue haleine (lawngahlehn'), n. Work etc. of (or de) ~ (requiring long persistent effort; esp. of books). [F, = long wind]

longueuse (lawngge'), n. Tedious passage in book, film, or play (usu. pl.). [F]

loo, n., & v.t. Round card-game with penalties paid to the pool; (having to pay) this penalty; *unlimited ~*, in which penalty is=amount already in pool; (vb) subject to the penalty. [abbr. of obs. *lanierloo* f. F *lanierlu* refrain of a song]

loob'y, n. Silly fellow. [cf. LUBBER]

loofah (-a), n. Pod of *Luffa Aegyptiaca* used as flesh-brush. [f. Arab. *luḥaf* the plant]

look, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Use one's sight, turn eyes in some direction, direct eyes at, (*fair etc. to ~ at*, in outward appearance; ~before you leap, avoid precipitate action; to ~at him etc., judging by his etc. ~s; tell not ~at, refuses to take, rejects, sneers); stare, show surprise. 2. Co

~through; ~pit nose¹ in mouth; ~one, death, etc., in the face, face him etc.

boldly or at close quarters). 3. Express, threaten, show, by one's ~s (~ *compassion, death, daggers*, etc.). 4. Ascertain or observe by sight *who, how, whether*, etc. 5. (fig.). Make mental search (*let him ~ at home*), inquire (*when one ~s deeper*), aim one's attention at & consider (*way of ~ing at things; what I ~ at is the comfort of it*), take care or make sure *that*, expect to do, (~ *you!*, observe, mind; ~ *here!*, formula for demanding attention or expostulating; ~ *sharp*, orig., keep strict watch, now, lose no time, bestir oneself). 6. (Of things) face, be turned, have or afford outlook, in some direction (*towards, on to, into, down*, etc.), (of facts) tend, point. 7. Have certain appearance, seem, (~ *grave* etc., whence ~'ING¹ a.; ~ *a fool, every inch a king, black¹, blue¹; ~ small*, be exposed as mean etc.; ~ *alive!*, make haste; ~ *well or ill*, in good or bad health, also of things, seem to be going so; ~s *to be*, seems; ~ *as if*, suggest by appearance the belief that; ~ *like*, seem to be, also threaten or promise, as *it ~s like rain, he ~s like biting or winning*); seem to be (~ *his age*, seems as old as he really is; ~ oneself again, seem recovered). 8. ~'in', informal call or visit, (Sport) *will have a ~in*, come near winning & perhaps win; ~'ing-glass, mirror, quicksilvered glass for mirrors; ~'out', watch, ~ing out, (*keep a good ~out; on the ~out for or to do*), post of observation, man or party or boat stationed to ~ out, view over landscape, prospect of luck (*it's a bad ~out for him*), person's own concern (*that is his ~out*, he must see to that himself); || ~'see (sl.), a survey, inspection. 9. (With prepp.): ~ *about* one, examine one's surroundings, take time to form plans; ~ *after*, follow with the eye, seek for, attend to, take care of; ~ *down* one's nose at (colloq.), regard with covert displeasure; ~ *for*, expect, hope or be on the watch for, search for (~ *for TROUBLE*); ~ *into*, examine the inside of (box etc.), dip into (book), investigate; ~ *on*, regard as, regard with distrust etc.; ~ *over*, inspect, overlook or pardon; ~ *through*, direct eyes through (window etc.), penetrate (veil etc.) with sight or (pretence or pretender) with insight, be visible through (*his greed ~s through his eyes*), glance through (book etc.); ~ *to*, consider, take care of, be careful about (~ *to your manners; ~ to it that*), keep watch over, rely on (person or thing) for, expect, count upon, aim at; ~ *towards* (colloq.), drink health of; ~ *upon*, regard with specified feeling (also with adv., as *favourably*), regard as. 10. (With adv.): ~ *about*, be on the watch, be in search for, let one's eyes rove; ~ *ahead*, (of rower) turn round to see where he is going (esp. imperat.); ~ *back*, be half-hearted about enterprise one has begun, turn one's thoughts upon

or to something past, cease to progress (usu. w. neg.), ~ *in again*, call back; ~ *down*, subdue with a[~], (Commerc.) sink in price, ~ *down (up)on*, consider oneself superior to; ~ *forward* to, anticipate (usu. with pleasure); ~ *in*, make short visit or call; ~ *on*, be mere spectator, whence ~ER'-ON' n.; ~ *on with*, read from book etc. at same time as (another person); ~ *out*, direct eyes or put head out of window etc., be vigilant, keep one's eyes open for expected person, be prepared for squalls etc., have or afford outlook *on, over*, etc., select by inspection; ~ *over*, inspect one by one or part by part; ~ *round*, esp. examine the possibilities etc. with a view to deciding on a course; ~ *through*, survey with searching glance (~ed him through), inspect exhaustively or successively; ~ *up*, (esp. Commerc.) improve in price or prosperity, search for (esp. word in dictionary or facts in book of reference), call on (person), raise eyes (~ *up to*, respect, venerate), ~ *one up & down*, scrutinize him keenly or contemptuously; hence ~ER' n., (esp.) *handsome person (colloq.; also *good-~er*). 11. n. Act of ~ing, direction of eyes, glance (*a kind, scornful, ~*); (sing. or pl.) appearance of face, expression, personal aspect, (*good ~s, beauty*); (of things) appearance (*the place has a European ~*). [OE *lōcian*]

150m¹, n. Machine for weaving yarn or thread into fabric; (inboard part of) shaft of oar. [earlier sense *tool*, OE *gelōma* (Y + *lōma* as in *andlōman* pl. apparatus)]

150m², v.i. & n. 1. Appear indistinctly, be seen in vague & often magnified or threatening shape, (lit. & fig.; often ~ *large* etc.). 2. n. Vague first appearance of land at sea etc. [cf. EFris. *lōmen* move slowly, MHG *luomen* be weary]

150m³, n. Kinds of guillemot & diver. Hence ~ERY³ n. [f. ON *lōmr*]

150n¹, n. (Sc. & arch.). Scamp, idler, boor; lad. [earlier *lowne*; etym. dub.]

150n², n. Kinds of water-bird, esp. of diver & grebe. [perh. -LOOM² w. assim. to prec.]

150n³ y, lu-, n. & a. (sl.). Lunatic. [-Y¹]

150p¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Figure produced by a curve, or bent string or withe, that crosses itself; attachment or ornament formed of cord, thread, etc., so crossed & fastened at crossing; ring or curved piece of metal as handle etc.; (also ~line) railway or telegraph line that diverges from main line & joins it again; circuit in centrifugal railway along top of which passenger travels head downwards (~ing the ~, bicyclist's or airman's similar feat); (Skating) curve crossing itself made on single edge; hence || ~Y¹ a. (sl.), crazy. 2. vb. Form (string etc.) into ~s; form ~ (esp. of LOOFEE larvae); enclose (as) with ~; fasten (*up, back*) or join (*together*) with ~s. [cf. Ir. & Gael. *hub*]

lōop¹, n. (rare). = LOOP-HOLE. [prob. cogn. w. MDu. *lāpen* to peer]

lōop'er, n. Caterpillar of geometer moths, progressing by arching itself into loops; contrivance in sewing-machine etc. for making loops. [-ER¹]

lōop-hole, n., & v.t. 1. Narrow vertical slit in wall for shooting or looking through or to admit light or air; outlet, means of evading rule etc. 2. v.t. Make ~s in (wall etc.). [LOOP¹]

lōose¹, a. 1. Released from bonds or restraint. 2. Detached or detachable from its place (*come, get, ~; play FAST & ~*); (Chem.) free, uncombined; hanging partly free (esp. ~ *end; at a ~ end*, without definite occupation); not rigidly fixed, apt to shift, (*have a SCREW ~*). 3. Slack, relaxed, not tense or tight, (*with a ~ rein*, lit. of riding, & fig. indulgently; ~ *tongue*, given to blabbing; ~ *bowels*, tending to diarrhoea; ~ *clothes; ~ build* or *make*, ungainly figure). 4. Not compact, dense, or serried (~ *soil, fabric; ~ order*, military arrangement with wide intervals; ~ *handwriting*, straggling; || ~ *play or game* in football, in which players do not look together). 5. (Of statements, ideas, etc.) inexact, indefinite, vague, incorrect; (of translation) not close or faithful; (of style) ungrammatical; (of agent) doing the act ~ly (~ *thinker*). 6. (Cricket) ~ *bowling*, inaccurately pitched, ~ *fielding*, careless or bungling. 7. Morally lax, dissolute, wanton in speech or act, (~ *fish*, dissolute person; *on the ~*, having a spree). 8. ~ *BOX*¹; ~ *leaf*, (of ledgers, note-books, etc.) with each leaf separate & detachable; ~, ~ly, as ~ *flowing, ~fitting*. Hence ~LY² (-sl-) adv., ~NESS (-sn-) n., **lōos**¹ ISH¹(2) a. [f. ON *lauss* = OE *lēas*, cf. G *los*, cogn. w. Gk *luō* undo]

lōose², v.t., & n. 1. Release, set free, free from constraint (*wine ~d his tongue*); untie, undo, (knot, fetters, seal, hair of head); detach from moorings; discharge (arrow), (abs.) discharge gun (*at*); relax (now only in ~ *hold*). 2. n. Vent, free expression, (*give ~ or a ~ to one's feelings* etc.); || loose play (see prec.). [f. prec.]

lōose'en, v.t. & i. Loose (person's tongue); make or become less tight or compact or firm; relieve (bowels) from costiveness or (cough) from dryness; relax (discipline etc.). [-EN¹]

lōose'strife (-s-s-), n. Two kinds of herbaceous plant (*Golden or Yellow, & Red or Purple or Spiked, L~*). [mistransl. of LL f. Gk *lusimakhion* (Gk pers. name *Lusimakhos*) as if directly f. *luō* undo, *makhē* battle]

lōöt, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Goods taken from enemy, spoil; booty, illicit gains made by official. 2. vb. Plunder, sack, (city etc., or abs.); carry off as booty. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. Hind. *loṭ*]

lōp¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Smaller branches & twigs of trees (~ & *top, ~ & crop*, trimmings of tree). 2. vb. Cut off branches & twigs & rarely top of (tree); strip tree of (branches etc.); often *off, away*, whence ~P'INGS [-ING¹(2)] n. pl.; cut off (person's limb or head); make ~ping strokes *at*. [vb prob. f. n.; etym. dub.]

lōp², v.i. & t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Hang limply; let (ears) hang; slouch, dawdle, hang *about*; = LOPE; ~ears, drooping ears, whence ~eared¹ (-ēd) a.; ~ear, kind of rabbit; hence ~P'Y¹ a. 2. n. ~eared rabbit. [prob. imit.]

lōp³, v.i. (-pp-), & n. 1. (Of water) break in short lumpy waves. 2. n. Such motion of water. [imit.]

lōpe, v.i., & n. (Run with) long bounding stride (esp. of animals). [f. ON *hloupa* cogn. w. LEAP]

lōph'o-, comb. form of Gk *lophos* crest, in scientific wds as: ~*dont*, (animal) with transverse ridges on crowns of molars; ~*brān'chiate*, (fish) with gills disposed in tufts.

lōp-sid'ed, a. With one side lower or smaller than the other, unevenly balanced. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. LOP¹]

loquā'cious (-shus), a. Talkative; (of birds, water) chattering, babbling. Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS, **loquā'cious** (-ās-), nn. [L *loquax* (loqui talk), -ACIOUS] **lōq'uat** (-ōt), n. Chinese & Japanese fruit (-tree) naturalized in S. Europe, Australia, etc. [f. Chin. *luh kwai* rush orange]

lōq'uttēr, v.i. 3 sing. pres. (abbr. *loq.*). Speaks (with speaker's name added, as stage-direction or notice to reader). [L] || **lōr, lōr'**, form of LORD used (vulg.) as int. **lōr'al**, a. Of the LORS¹. [-AL]

lōr'cha, n. Ship with hull of European shape but Chinese rig. [Port., etym. dub.]

lōrd, n. & int., & v.i. & t. 1. Master, ruler, chief, prince, sovereign, (*our sovereign ~ the King; ~s of creation, mankind, also joc. men as opp. women*); (poet.) owner (~ *of few acres; cf. landlord*); magnate in some trade (*the cotton ~s; cf. king*). 2. Feudal superior (MESNE ~; ~ *of the manor*; ~ *PARAMOUNT*). 3. (Poet. & joc.) husband (also ~ & *master*). 4. (Astrol.) dominant planet. 5. (Usu. the L~ exc. in voc.; also with God) God (*L~ knows who, how, etc.*, I cannot guess who etc., some one etc. or other; *L~ have mercy, L~ bless me or us or my soul or you, exoll. of surprise etc.*; also *L~!* alone as exoll.); Christ (*the or more usu. our L~; in the year of our L~, anno domini; L~s day, Sunday; L~s prayer, the Our Father; L~s supper, Eucharist; L~s table, Christian altar, Eucharist*). 6. Nobleman, peer of the realm or person entitled by courtesy to the prefix L~ (see below) as part of his ordinary style (*live, treat, like a ~, fare,*

entertain, sumptuously; *drunk as, swear like, a ~*, excessively; *L~ in waiting*, of the *Bedchamber*, nobleman attending sovereign, called by former title if queen is reigning, by latter if king; (pl., the *L~s*) temporal & spiritual peers of Parliament (*House of L~s*, upper legislative chamber of United Kingdom, also committee of specially qualified members of this appointed as ultimate judicial appeal court). 7. pl. (Also in full *L~s Commissioners*) members of board performing duties of high State office put in commission (*L~s of the Admiralty, Treasury*, etc.; *First L~*, president of such board; *Civil L~*, civilian member of Admiralty board, opp. *Sea L~s*; *L~s of Session*, judges of Scottish Court of session). 8. First word of many official titles (*L~ Chamberlain, Chancellor, Chief Justice, High Commissioner; L~ Justice General, L~ Justice Clerk*, president, vice-president, of Scottish Court of Judiciary; *L~ Lieutenant*, viceroy of Ireland till 1922, chief executive authority & head of magistracy in each county; *L~ Rector*, triennially elected honorary head of a Scottish university court; *L~ Mayor*, mayor of London, York, Dublin, & some great towns; *L~ Bishop*, any bishop in ceremonial mention). 9. (Prefixed as part of personal designation) marquis, earl, viscount, or baron (whether peer, or peer's eldest son holding his second title by courtesy; with suppression of *of*, e.g. *Earl of*, or *L~ Derby*; ~ is invariable instead of *baron*, which is used as prefix only in foreign titles); (followed by Christian & family name) younger son of duke or marquis. 10. *My ~* (voc.), respectful or polite formula for addressing nobleman below duke, bishop, ~ mayor, or judge of supreme court; ~s & ladies, wild arum; hence ~LESS a., ~LING²(2), ~OL'ATRY, nn. 11. vb. Play the ~ over (usu. in pass., *will not be ~ed over*; or with *it*, as ~ing it over his household); ennobled, confer title of ~ upon. [OE *Mildford* orig. = bread-keeper (LOAF¹, WARD)]

lord'ly, a. Haughty, imperious, lofty, disdainful; grand, magnificent, fit for or belonging to a lord. Hence ~INESS n. [OE *Mildorlic* (prec., -LY¹)]

Lord's (-z), n. (Used for) ~ cricket ground in London, headquarters of the M.C.C. and English cricket. (Thomas Lord (d. 1833), maker of successive grounds named after him)

lord'ship, n. Dominion, rule, ownership of or over; domain, estate, manor; lord's personality (your ~, his ~, you, he, in speaking deferentially to or of a lord, also jocular to or of other persons or animals). [-ance]

lord's, a. 1. (arch.). Doctrine; erudition, scholarship. 2. Body of traditions & facts on a subject (book, bird, animal,

juiry, etc., ~). [OE *lār* cf. Du. *leer*, G. *lehre*, cogn. w. LEARN]

lōre², n. (nat. hist.). Strap-like surface, in birds between eye & upper mandible, in snakes between eye & nostril. [f. L. *lorum* strap]

Lōrētōn'ian, a. & n. (Member) of Loretto School in Scotland.

lorgnette (lōrnyet'), n. Pair of eyeglasses usu. held by long handle; opera-glass. [F]

lō'ricate, a. (zool.). Having defensive armour of bone, plates, scales, etc. [f. L. *loricatus* (lorica cuirass f. *lorum* strap, -ATE²)]

lō'rikeet (or -cet'), n. Small brightly-coloured Polynesian parrot allied to the lory. [dim. of LORY, after *parakeet*]

lō'riner, n. (hist.). Bit-maker, spurrier, (now only in title of a livery company). [f. OF *lorentier* (lorain harness-strap f. L. *lorum* thong)]

lō'ris, n. Small slender tailless nocturnal climbing quadrumanous Cingalese mammal; kinds of lemur. [F]

lōrn, a. (poet. & joc.). Desolate, forlorn, (often lone ~). [p.p. of obs. *leese* LOSE, OE *lēosan* cf. G. *verlieren*]

|| **lō'rry**, n. Long low flat sideless wagon; truck used on railways & tramways; motor truck for transporting troops etc. [f]

lō'r'y, n. Kinds of bright-plumaged parrot-like bird. [f. Malay *luri*]

lose (lōz), v.t. & i. (lost pr. law- or lō-).

1. Be deprived of, cease by negligence, misadventure, separation, death, etc., to possess or have (property, life, quality, limb, father, friend, etc.; *doctor ~s patient*, fails to keep him alive, also is left by him for another doctor; ~ *patience*, one's temper, become impatient, angry; ~ one's HEAD¹; ~ one's HEART; ~ HEART; ~ ground, fail to keep position, recede, decline; *have lost my cold*, got rid of it; ~ interest, of person, cease to be interested, of thing, cease to interest); (pass.) disappear, perish, die or be dead, (letter-writing is a lost art; the ship & all hands were lost; lost to sense of duty, shame, etc., no longer affected by them; lost soul, damned). 2. Suffer loss or detriment, incur disadvantage, be the worse off in money or otherwise by transaction etc., (the publisher lost by it; the army lost heavily; story does not ~ in the telling, is if anything exaggerated). 3. Become unable to find, fail to keep in sight or follow or mentally grasp, (~ a document, one's way, the thread of a discourse, a person etc. under observation). 4. Spend (time, opportunities, pains) to no purpose, waste, (pass., be lost upon, fail to influence or draw the attention etc.). 5. Fail to obtain, catch, see, or hear (~ one's train, a legacy, a word or remark, a fact). 6. Forfeit (stake), be defeated in (game, battle, lawsuit, or

abs.; *losing game*, in which defeat seems inevitable; *cannot play a losing game*, ~s heart or temper in it; fail to carry (motion). 7. Cause person the loss of, cost, (*will ~ you your place*); (refl. & pass.) go astray, become merged or engrossed (*in*), be obscured (*in*); || *losing hazard*. Hence *los'ABLE* (-ōbz-) a. [OE *losian* (*los* *LOSE*) intr., the trans. senses being f. the cogn. obs. *leese*]

|| *los'el* (-z-), n. (arch.). Profligate, rake, ne'er-do-well. [prob. f. *losen* p.p. of obs. *leese* *LOSE*]

los'er (-ōbz-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: *be a ~ by*, suffer loss by; *good ~*, person not deflected or angered by losing game etc.; person, horse, etc., that loses race etc.; || (Billiards) *losing hazard*. [-ER¹]

loss (laws, lōs), n. Losing or being lost (see *LOSE*); person, thing, or amount lost (*OUT^a or the ~*); detriment, disadvantage, resulting from ~ (person etc. *is a great, no, little*, etc. ~, the ~ of him is a serious etc; blow); *at a ~* (*for, to discover*, etc.), puzzled, at fault. [prob. partly f. OE *los* (cf. ON *los*) dispersion, rout, & partly back formation f. *lost* p.p. of *LOSE*]

lōss (G), n. -*LOSS*.

lost. See *LOSE*.

lōt, n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. One of a set of objects used to secure a chance decision in dividing goods, selecting officials, etc. (now only in *draw, cast*, ~s, usu. *between, for, who*, etc., & in *throw or cast in one's ~ with*, share fortunes of); this method of deciding (*the ~*; *by ~*); choice resulting from it (*the ~ fell upon me*). 2. What falls to person by ~, share (*have no part nor ~ in*); person's destiny, fortune, condition, (*the ~ falls to me, it falls to my ~, it falls to me as my ~, to do*). 3. || Tax, due, (*scot & ~*). 4. Plot or allotment of land. 5. Article or set of articles offered separately at sale, item at auction, (*bad ~*, disreputable or vicious person). 6. Number or quantity of persons or things of same kind or somehow associated (*the ~*, the whole number or quantity); (colloq.) considerable number or amount, a good or great deal (also in pl., as *has ~s of friends*). 7. v.t. Divide (land, usu. *out*, or goods for sale) into ~s. [OE *hlōt*, cf. Du. *lot*, cogn. w. G *loos*]

loth. See *LOATH*.

Lothār'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Libertine, rake. [character in Rowe's *Fair Penitent*]

lō'tion, n. Liquid preparation used externally to heal wound, cure skin-disease, clear complexion, etc. [f. L *lotio* (*lavare* *lot* wash, -tor)]

lōt'ery, n. Arrangement for distributing prizes by chance among purchasers of tickets; ~wheel, wheel with box used for shuffling numbers corresponding to those on tickets; (fig.) thing that defies calculation (*life, marriage, is a ~*). [f. It. *lotteria* (*lotz*, *torro*)]

lōt'tō, n. Game of chance with drawing of numbers as in lottery. [It., f. Tent. (*lot*)]

lōt'us, n. Plant represented in ancient Greek legend as inducing luxurious dreaminess & distaste for active life (~eater, person given to indolent enjoyment; so ~eater a. & n.); Egyptian & Asiatic water-lily; kinds of plant, esp. Bird's-foot Trefoll; ~land, place of indolent enjoyment. [L, f. Gk *lōtos*]

loud, a. & adv. 1. Strongly audible, sonorous (~ *speaker*, apparatus that converts electrical impulses into sounds ~ enough to be heard at some distance); clamorous, noisy; (of colour, dress, pattern, manners) obtrusive, conspicuous, flashy; hence ~EN^a v.i., ~ISH^a (2) a., ~LY^a adv., ~NESS n. 2. adv. ~ly (*don't talk so ~*; *laughed ~ & long*) = *SPOKEN*. [com.-WG; OE *hlūd*, cf. Du. *luid*, G *laut*; cogn. w. Gk *klōū* hear, L *clūere* be famed] *lough* (see Ap.), n. (Anglo-Ir.). Lake, arm of sea. [perh. f. ONorthumb. *luh* f. Gael. & Ir. *LOCH*]

Louis (lō'ī), n. (pl. *Louis* pr. -z). Name of many French kings; *louis* or *louis-d'or* (-dōr'), French gold coin of about 20 fr. from ~ XIII to ~ XVI; ~ *Treize* (trāz), *Quatorze* (kātdōr'), *Quinze* (kānz), *Seize* (sāz), (used) adj. of furniture etc. in styles prevalent in those reigns.

lounge (-j), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Go lazily, saunter; loll, recline; idle (intr., & ~s away time etc.); hence ~ER^a n., ~INGLY^a adv., (-j-). 2. n. Spell of ~ing, saunter, stroll; place where one can ~e, esp. entrance-hall or gallery furnished for the purpose (~e-hazard, sl., professional dance-partner at hotel ~e-dances); sitting-room in house; sofa or deep chair; || ~s (*suff*), man's suit for day wear, with tailless jacket. [?]

lour, *lower*, (*lowr*), v.i., & n. 1. Frown, scowl, look sullen, (*on, upon, at*); (of clouds, sky, storm) look dark & threatening; hence ~INGLY^a adv. 2. n. Scowl; gloominess of sky etc., whence ~Y^a a. [ME *lourer*, cf. Du. *loeren* frown, G *lauern* watch; spelling *lower* prob. due to confusion w. *lower*¹]

louse, n. (pl. *lice*). Parasitic insect infesting human hair & skin; kinds of parasite of mammals, birds, fish, & plants. Hence *lous'Y^a* (-z-) a. (also, al.), disgusting, abundantly supplied with money etc., *lous'iness* (-z-) n. [com.-Tent.; OE *lūs*, cf. Du. *luis*, G *lous*]

lout¹, n. Awkward fellow, bumpkin, clown. Hence ~ISH^a a., ~ISHLY^a adv., ~ishness n. [?]

lout², v.i. (arch.). Bow, make obeisance. [OE *lutan*, cf. ON *luta*]

louver, -vre, (lōv'er), n. Domed turret-like erection on medieval hall-roof etc. with side openings to let smoke out or air in; (pl., also ~boards) arrangement of overlapping boards or slaps of glass to

admit air but exclude rain. Hence **louv'ered**³ (-erd) a. [f. OF *lover*, cf. med. L *lodium*]

Louvre (lōvr), n. *The* ~, former royal palace, now art museum, in Paris. [F]

lo'vable (lū-), a. Deserving love, amiable. Hence **~LY**² adv., **~leness** n. [**LOVE**², -ABLE]

lo'vage (lū-), n. Kinds of herb. [ME *loveache* f. OF *levesche* f. LL *levisticum* perh. f. L *ligusticum* Ligurian; assim. to *love, ache*]

love¹ (lūv), n. 1. Warm affection, attachment, liking, or fondness, paternal benevolence, affectionate devotion, (of, for, to, or towards person, for or to thing; give ~ to, convey affectionate message to, send one's ~ to, get this done; for the ~ of, for sake or in name of, esp. in adjurations; for ~ or money, by any means, esp. cannot get it etc. for ~ or money; labour of ~, that one delights in, or that one does for ~ of someone; there's no ~ lost between them, they dislike each other; play for ~, for the pleasure of it, not for stakes). 2. Sexual affection or passion or desire, relation between sweethearts, this feeling as a literary subject, a personified influence, or a god (also representation of Cupid, or of naked winged child, or in pl. children, symbolizing ~), (in ~, possessed by this; in ~ with, enamoured of, also transf. fond of a pursuit, thing, etc.; fall in ~, become enamoured; all's fair ~ in & war; ~ in a cottage, marriage on insufficient means; make ~, pay amorous attentions to or abs., whence ~making¹ n.). 3. Beloved one, sweetheart, (esp. of woman, cf. **LOVER**; hence ~Y² n.; my ~, common form of address between husband & wife); (colloq.) delightful person or pretty thing (he is an old ~; what ~s of teacups!). 4. (Games) no score, nothing, nil, (~ all, neither side has yet scored; ~ game, in which loser has not scored). 5. ~-affair, amour; ~-apple, (old name for) tomato; ~-begotten, illegitimate; ~-bird, small bird of parrot kind said to pine away at death of its mate; ~-child, illegitimate; ~-feast, meal in token of brotherly ~ among early Christians, religious service among Methodists etc. imitating this; ~-in-a-mist, Fennel-flower; ~-in-idleness, Heart's-ease; ~-knot, peculiarly interlaced bow of ribbon; ~-letter, between sweethearts & concerned with ~; ~-lees-bleeding, garden plant with long drooping spike of purple-red bloom; ~-lock, tress or curl worn on temple or forehead; ~-lost, pining with ~, deserted by one's love(s); ~-match, marriage made for ~'s sake only; ~-philtre, philtre; ~-sick, languishing with ~; ~-song, about or expressing ~; ~-story, novel etc. of which main theme is ~, facts of a wooing etc.; ~-token, thing given in sign of ~. Hence ~worthy a., ~worthiness n. [OE

lufu, cogn. w. G *lieben*, Du. *lieven*, to love; also w. LIEF, LEAVE¹, BELIEVE]

love² (lūv), v.t. & i. Hold dear, bear love to, be in love with, be fond of, (~ me, ~ my dog¹; Lord ~ you!, excl. of surprise at person's mistake etc.; ~ one's love with an A, a B, etc., formula in game of forfeits); be in love; cling to, delight in, enjoy having, be addicted to, admire or be glad of the existence of, (life, honour, comfort, golf, doing, virtue, man who knows his own mind, etc.); (w. inf.) be (habitually) inclined (children ~ to ape their elders); (colloq.) like, be delighted, (he simply ~s to find mistakes; Will you come? — I should ~ to). [OE *lufian* (prec.)]

Love'lace (lūvl-), n. Libertine, accomplished rake. [character in *Clarissa Harlowe*]

love'less (lūvl-), a. Unloving; unloved. Hence **~LY**² adv., **~NESS** n. [-LESS]

love'ly (lūvl-), a. Attractively or admirably beautiful; (colloq.) delightful, very pleasing, intensely amusing. Hence **~ILY**² adv. (rare), **~INESS** n. [OE *lystlic* (**LOVE**¹, -LY¹)]

lo'ver (lū-), n. Woman's sweetheart or suitor, (pl.) pair in love; paramour, gallant; admirer, devotee, of thing, action, or idea; ~s' knot, **LOVE**¹-knot. Hence **~LESS** a., **~LIKE**, **~LY**^{1,2}, aa. & adv. [-ER¹]

lo'ving (lū-), a. That loves, affectionate, (our ~ subjects, formula in royal proclamation; your ~ friend etc., formula in concluding letter); manifesting or proceeding from love (~cup, large drinking-vessel passed round at banquet; ~kindness, tender consideration). Hence **~LY**² adv., **~NESS** n. [-ING¹]

low¹ (lō), a. & adv. (~er, ~est, as aa. & adv.), & n. 1. Not reaching far up, not high or tall, (~ house, forehead, stature; not used of persons; ~ dress, leaving neck & part of shoulders & breast exposed, so ~ neck; ~ relief, bas-relief). 2. Not elevated in geographical etc. position (Low Countries, Netherlands; Low GERMAN², DUTCH; Lower Egypt etc.; ~ moon etc., near horizon; ~ tide or water, level of ebbd sea, time of extreme ebb; ~ water mark, ~est point reached by ebb-tide, & fig.; in ~ water, out of funds etc.). 3. Of or in humble rank or position (the ~er orders or classes; ~ birth; high & ~, every one). 4. Not exalted or sublime, commonplace, undignified, little civilized, not highly organized; abject, mean, degraded, coarse, vulgar, (~ cunning). 5. Ill-nourished, not nourishing, indicative of ill nutrition, wanting in vigour, depressed, not intense, (~ condition, diet, fever; ~ spirits, whence ~-spirited² a.). 6. Of small amount as measured by a scale or degrees (~ price, wages, rates, temperature, power; have ~ opinion of, do not estimate highly; at ~est, to mention

the least possible amount etc.; ~ *latitudes*, near equator). 7. (Of sounds) not shrill or high up, produced by slow vibrations, (also) not loud. 8. (Of liquid, receptacle, supply of anything, esp. fig. of purse or money) nearly exhausted or empty (often *run* ~). 9. Recent (*belongs to a ~er date*). 10. (Also ~ *church*) giving ~ place to authority of bishops & priests, inherent grace of sacraments, ecclesiastical organization, & ritual, not sacerdotal, approximating to protestant non-conformity, (*Low Church*, party in Church of England thus minded; *Low Churchman*, member of it). 11. *Bring* ~, depress, reduce, in health, wealth, or position; *lay* ~, overthrow; *lie* ~, crouch, be prostrate or dead or abased, (sl.) keep quiet or out of the way, say nothing, bide one's time; *BURN* ~. 12. ~ *brow* (colloq.), (one who is) not highly intellectual or cultured (opp. *highbrow*); ~ *browed*, lit., also (of rocks) beetling, (of building etc.) with ~ entrance, gloomy; ~ *celebration* of Eucharist, without choir or assistant ministers; ~ *comedian*, actor in ~ *comedy*, in which subject & treatment border on farce; ~ *down*, abject, mean, dishonourable; *~ *down* n. (sl.), true facts, inside information; || ~ *er boy*, in ~er school at public schools; ~ *er case*; ~ *er chamber*, = ~ *er House*; ~ *er critic(ism)*, of the verbal or textual kind; ~ *er deck*, immediately over hold (|| the ~ *er deck*, petty officers & men of the Navy or of a ship); ~ *er Empire*, later Roman Empire, usu. from Constantine; ~ *er House*, ~er branch of legislative assembly, e.g. House of Commons; ~ *er school* in public schools, usu. forms below fifth; ~ *er world*, the earth, (also) hell; ~ *land*, (usu. pl.) ~ *lying country*, (adj.) of or in this; *Low/lands* (-andz), SE. part of Scotland, whence *Lowlander* (4) n.; *Low/land* (adj.), of or in this; ~ *LATIN*; ~ *life*, that of the ~er classes, whence ~ *lived* (-vd) a.; ~ *MASS*; ~ *pitch*, ~ key or note, also slight angular elevation of roof, whence ~ *pitched* a.; ~ *PRESSURE*; *Low Sunday*, *Week*, after Easter Day & Week; ~ *WING*; hence ~ *ermost* (lō'er-), ~ *ISM* (2) (lō't-), aa., ~ *NESS* (lō'n-) n. 13. adv. In or to ~ or mean position (*hangs* ~; *aim* or *shoot* ~ or ~ *er*; *collar* ~ in football, catch at or below waist; *bowed* ~; *never fell so ~ as that*; on poor diet (*live ~ for a time*); for small stakes (*play* ~); in ~ *tone*, on or to ~ note, (*talk* ~; *cannot get so ~*); (of date) late (*find it as ~ as the 18th century*); ~ *born*, of humble birth; ~ *bred*, of vulgar manners; ~ *down*, far down, also in mean or ungenerous way (esp. *play it ~ down*, or ~ *upon*, treat sourly). 14. n. What is ~; an area of ~ barometric pressure; *a ~ *level* or figure. [ME *lah* f. ON *lōgr* cogn. w. *LOW*]

low² (lō), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Utter cry (as) of

cow, moo; say, utter forth, with ~ing sound. 2. n. Cow's cry. [com.-Teut.; OE *hlōwan*, cf. OHG *hluojen*, Du. *loeten*, cogn. w. *L clamare*]

low'er¹ (lō'er), v.t. & i. 1. Let or haul down; (Naut., abs.) let down boat, haul down sail, etc.; diminish height of; sink, descend, slope downwards; diminish (price etc.), (of price etc.) come down; diminish (t. & i.) in intensity or pitch; degrade, disgrace; reduce bodily condition of (a ~ing diet). [f. *lower* comp. of *LOW*]

lower². See *LOUR*.

low'ly (lō-), a. & adv. 1. Humble in feeling, behaviour, or condition, modest, unpretending. 2. adv. In ~y manner. Hence ~ *LY* adv., ~ *NESS* n. [*LOW*¹, -*LY*¹, *] **lōxodrōm'** [ic, a. & n. Of oblique sailing or sailing by the RHUMB; (n.) ~ *lo line* or table. Hence ~ *ICS* n. [f. Gk *loxos* oblique, *dromos* course, -ic]

loy'al, a. & n. 1. True, faithful, to duty, love, or obligation (*to*); faithful in allegiance to sovereign, government, or mother-country; enthusiastically devoted to sovereign's person & family; exhibiting loyalty; hence ~ *ISM* (3), ~ *IST* (2), nn., ~ *IZE* (3) v.t., ~ *LY* adv. 2. n. Person who remains ~ in time of disaffection. [F, f. *L legalis* LEGAL]

loy'alty, n. Loyal temper or conduct. [f. OF *loialté* (prec., -ty)]

lōz'enge (-j), n. RHOMB, diamond figure, esp. as bearing in heraldry; ~-shaped shield for spinster's or widow's arms; ~-shaped facet of cut gem; small tablet (orig. ~-shaped) of flavoured sugar, medicine, meat essence, etc., to be dissolved in mouth; ~-shaped pane in casement. [f. OF *loenge*, cf. Pr. *lausa* tombstone perh. ult. f. *L lapis* stone]

lōz'enged (-jd), a. With lozenges of alternate colours; with lozenge panes. [-*ED*¹] **£.s.d.** (ēl'ēsdē), n. Pounds, shillings, & pence; money, riches; *L. S. Dē'ism* (joc.), money-worship. [*L. librae, solidi, denarii*, pounds, shillings, pence]

*It. See *WILL*¹.

lūbb'er, n. Big clumsy stupid fellow, lout; clumsy seaman; ~'s *hole* (Naut.), hole in platform of ship's top (saving climbing by *FUTROCK* shrouds). Hence ~ *LIKE* a., ~ *LY*¹, a. & adv., ~ *LINESS* n. [prob. f. or cogn. w. *LOB*]

lub'ric|āte (lō-, lū-), v.t. Make slippery or smooth by applying fluid or unguent; minimize friction of (machinery) with grease etc. (also fig.). Hence ~ *ANT* (2) a. & n., ~ *ATOR* (1, 2), ~ *ATION*, nn. [f. *L. lubricus* (*lubricus* slippery cogn. w. *SUP*), -*ATE*¹]

lubri'cl|ty (lō-, lū-), n. Slipperiness, smoothness, oiliness, (lit. & fig.); lowliness, wantonness. So ~ous (*-shus*), **lub'ricous**, aa. [*L. L. lubricitas* (prec., -ty)] **Luc'an** (lō-, lū-), a. Of St Luke. [f. *L. Lucas* Luke, -*AN*]

Lucca (lōk'a, lūk'a), n. ~ oil, superior quality of olive oil. (~, in N. Italy)

luce (lōs, lūs), n. Pike fish, esp. when full-grown. [f. OF *lus* f. LL *lucius*]

lu'cent (lō-, lū-), a. Shining, luminous; translucent. Hence **lu'cently** n. [f. L *lucere* shine (*lux lucis* light), -ENT]

|| **lucern(e)** (lō-, lū-), n. Cloverlike plant used for fodder. [f. F *luzerne* etym. dub.]

Lucian'ic (lōsēt-), a. After the manner of Lucian, witty & scoffing. [f. L f. Gk *Loukianos*, writer of Greek dialogues c. A.D. 160, -30]

lu'cid (lō-, lū-), a. Bright (poet.); (Entom., Bot.) with smooth shining surface; clear, pellucid, (usu. fig. of reasoning, literary style, etc.); ~ interval, period of sanity between attacks of madness, or of quiet between disturbances. Hence or cogn. **lucid'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *lucidus* (LUCENT)]

Lu'cifer (lō-, lū-), n. 1. (Planet Venus as) morning star. 2. (Supposed name, see A.V. & R.V. of *Isa.* xiv. 12, of) the chief rebel angel, Satan, the devil, (as *proud as* ~). 3. ~ (match), friction match (now rare). [L, light-bringing, morning star, (*lux lucis* light, -fer f. *ferre* bring)]

lucif'ugous (lō-, lū-), a. (nat. hist.). Shunning daylight. [f. L *lucifugus* (prec., *fugere* flee), -OUS]

luck, n. 1. (Chance as bestower of) good or ill fortune, fortuitous events affecting one's interests, person's apparent tendency to be (un)fortunate, supposed tendency of chance to bring a succession of (un)favourable events, (*bad ~ to him etc.*), form of imprecation; as ~ would have it, fortunately or unfortunately; down on one's ~, dispirited by misfortune, temporarily unfortunate; try one's ~, make a venture at gaming-table or in anything; just my ~, usu. - I am unlucky as usual; worse ~, parenth., more's the pity, unfortunately for me or us). 2. Good fortune, success due to chance, (*have the ~, be fortunate enough to; for ~, to bring good ~; in, out of, ~; have no ~*), whence ~LESS a., ~lessness n. 3. ~money, -penny, piece of money kept for ~, also sum returned by seller to buyer esp. in livestock sale. [f. LG *luck*, short for *geluk*, cf. G *glück* etym. dub.]

luck'ily, adv. (As ordinary adv.) by luck (rare); (as qualification of sentence or clause) which is etc. a fortunate thing, thank goodness, (~ for me I was wrong; on a snow-slope which was ~ in good order). [coll., -LY¹]

luck'y, a. Constantly attended by good luck, enjoying it on a particular occasion, having as much success or happiness as one deserves & more, (you're a ~ dog, term of congratulation esp. to accepted lover; ~ dagger!, ~ barges!, of or to person in luck; right by luck, of the nature of a fluke, (~ guess, hit, shot); coming in

the nick of time; presaging, bringing, worn etc. for, good luck, well-omened, (~ penny, stone, day); ~bag, -tub, at bazaars etc. containing articles of more or less value for one of which payer of small sum may dip. Hence **luck'iness** n. [-Y¹] **luck'y**, n. (sl.). Cut one's ~, decamp, make off. [?]

luc'rative (lō-, lū-), a. Yielding gain, profitable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *lucratus* (*lucrari* to gain, see foll., -ATIVE)]

lucre (lōk'er, lū-), n. Pecuniary profit as motive; **FLATTERY** ~. [f. L *lucrum*, cogn. w. Gk *apolauō* enjoy, G *lohn* reward]

Lucretia (lōkresh'a), n. Model of chastity, woman preferred honour to life. (see *Livy* i. 57-8)

luc'ubrate (lō-, lū-), v.i. Express one's meditations in writing; produce lucubrations. Hence ~OR² n. [f. L *lucubrare* work by lamplight (*lux lucis* light), -ATE¹]

lucubrā'tion (lō-, lū-), n. Nocturnal study or meditation; literary work esp. of pedantic or elaborate character. [f. L *lucubratio* (prec., -ATION)]

luc'ulent (lō-, lū-), a. (rare). Clear, convincing, lucid, (~ proof, instance, explanation). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *luculentus* (*lux lucis* light, -LENT)]

luc'us & nōn lucen' dō (lō-, lū-), n. Paradoxical derivation; (transf.) reference of effect to paradoxical cause, explanation by contraries. [L, = *lucus* (grove) is derived from *lucre* (shine) because it does not shine there]

|| **lūd.** *My* ~, = my lord in representations of counsel's pronunciation in addressing judge.

Ludd'ite, n. & a. (Member) of band of mechanics (1811-18) who raised riots for destruction of machinery. [origin doubtful; leaders were called *Captain Ludd*]

lud'icrous (lō-, lū-), a. Absurd, ridiculous, exciting or deserving derision. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., **lud'icrocomb.** form. [f. L *ludicrus* prob. f. *ludicrum* stage-play (*ludere* play)]

lūd'ō, (or lō-), n. Simple game played with dice & counters on special board. [L, = I play]

luēs (lō'ēz), n. Plague, contagious disease, contagion, (~ *Boswellian's*, biographer's tendency to magnify his subject, see *BOSWELL*); (also ~ *venē'ea*) syphilis, whence (irreg.) **luis'io** (lōbēt-) a. [L, genit. *luēs*]

luff, n., & v.i. & t. (naut.). 1. Side of fore- & aft sail next mast or stay; || broadest part of ship's bow where sides begin to curve in. 2. vb. Bring ship's head, bring head of (ship), nearer wind; turn (helm) so as to secure this; (Yacht-racing) get windward side of (opponent); ~ing-match, struggle for this. (prob. f. F *lof* some contrivance for altering ship's course, cf. *Du. loef*)

Luftwaffe (lōōft'vafte), n. German Air Force. [G]

lūg¹, n. Large marine worm used as bait. [perh. cogn. w. *log¹*]

lūg², n. = *LUG-SAIL*.

lūg³, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. 1. Drag or tug (heavy object) with effort or violence; (intr.) pull hard at; bring (subject etc.) irrelevantly in or into; force (person) along. 2. n. Hard or rough pull. [cf. Sw. *lugga* pull person's hair (*lugg* forelock)]

lūg⁴, n. || (Sc.) ear; (Mech.) projection from a casting etc. by which it may be fixed in place. [†]

luge (lōōzh), n., & v.i. 1. Short raised toboggan used in Switzerland. 2. v.i. Toboggan in this. [Swiss dial. wd]

lūgg¹age, n. || Traveller's baggage, portmanteaus, boxes, etc. [*LUG²*, -AGE]

lūgg²er (-g-), n. Small ship with four-cornered sails set fore & aft. [prob. f. foll.]

lūg³sail (-sl), n. Four-cornered sail bent on yard slung at a third or quarter of its length from one end. [†]

lugūb¹rious (lōō-, lū-), a. Doleful, dismal, mournful. Hence ~*LY¹* adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. *L lugubris* (*lugere* mourn), -OUS]

lukewarm (lōōk'wōrm, lū-), a. & n. Moderately warm, tepid; not zealous, indifferent, (n., ~ person). Hence ~*LY²* adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. obs. *luke* tepid, cf. obs. *lew*, & ON *llyr* warm]

lūll, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Soothe or send to sleep by sounds or caresses, quiet (snaficion etc.) usu. by deception; (usu. pass.) quiet (sea, storm); (of storm or noise) lessen, fall quiet; hence ~*INGLY²* adv. 2. n. Intermission in storm lit. or fig. [limit. of sounds used in lullaby]

lūll'aby, n., & v.t. Soothing refrain or song to put child to sleep; (vb) sing to sleep. [prec., -by as in *BYE-BYE*]

lūmbāg¹ō, n. (pl. ~s). Rheumatic affection in loins. Hence *lūmbāg¹inous* a. [*L* (*lumbus* loin)]

lūm'bar, a. & n. (Artery, vein, nerve, or vertebra) of or in loin. [prec., -AR¹]

lūm'ber¹, v.i. Move in clumsy blundering noisy way (*along*, *past*, *by*, etc.). Hence ~*ING²* a., ~*INGLY²* adv., ~*SOME* a. [ME *lomere* perh. f. *LAME*]

lūm'ber², n., & v.t. & i. 1. Disused articles of furniture etc. taking up room (~room, in which such things are kept), useless or cumbersome material; superfluous fat; roughly prepared timber (~carrier, boat in ~trade; ~jack, ~man; ~mill, for sawing ~; ~man, feller, dresser, or conveyer of ~; ~scaler, one who measures ~). 2. vb. Fill up inconveniently, obstruct (room, place; often up, over); heap together, treat, as ~; cut & prepare forest timber, whence ~*ER²* n. [prob. f. prec.; or f. obs. *lumber* pawn-broker's shop (*lombars*)]

lūm'be-, comb. form of *L lumbus* loin, as ~*abdom¹inal* of loins & abdomen.

lūm'brical, a. & n. ~ *muscle* or ~, one of the muscles flexing fingers or toes. [f. *L lumbricus* earthworm, w. ref. to the shape]

Lumière (lōōm'lyā), a. ~ *process*, a colour-photography method; so ~ *plate*. [Brothers ~, inventors]

lūm'ināry (lōō-, lū-), n. Natural light-giving body, esp. sun or moon; person of intellectual, moral, or spiritual eminence, person of light & leading. [f. *F lumineux* f. med. *L luminarium* (*L lumen* -inis light, -ARY¹)]

lūminif¹erous (lōō-, lū-), a. Producing or transmitting light. [prec., -FEROUS]

lūm'inous (lōō-, lū-), a. Emitting or full of light, bright, shining, (~ *point*, phosphorescent kind making things conspicuous at night), whence *lūminōs¹ITY* n.; (of writers etc.) throwing light upon subject. Hence ~*NESS* n., ~*LY²* adv. [f. *L luminosus* (*lumen* -inis light, -OUS)]

lūmm¹'ē, int. (vulg.) of surprise or emphasis. [= (Lord) love me]

lūmp¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Compact shapeless or unshapely mass (~ *in throat*, feeling of pressure caused by emotion; is a ~ of selfishness, is selfish through & through); great quantity, lot, heap; mass of clay or dough ready for moulding or baking; protuberance, excrescence, swelling, bruise; heavy dull person; in the ~, taking things as a whole, in gross, wholesale; ~ *sugar*, loaf sugar broken or cut into ~s or cubes; ~ *sum*, covering number of items, also paid down at once (opp. *instalments*). 2. vb. Put together in one ~, mass together, treat as all alike, disregard differences between or among, (*together*, *with*, *in with*, *under* title etc.); lay whole of (sum) on horse, event, etc.; rise or collect (intr.) into ~s; go heavily along, sit heavily down. [cf. Du. *lomp* rag]

lūmp², n. Uncouth spiny-finned leaden-blue fish clinging tightly to objects by sucking-disk on belly. [cf. MLG *lumpen*, MDu. *lompe*; perh. f. prec., but the G & Du. forms are found earlier]

lūmp³, v.t. Be displeased at, put up with ungraciously, (now only in *if you don't like it you may ~ it*). [earlier = *sulk*; prob. imit.]

lūm'per, n. Labourer employed in (un-)loading cargoes; || small contractor taking work in the lump & giving it out in the piece; classifier who avoids minute subdivision. [*LUMP¹*, -ER¹]

lūm'ping, a. (colloq.). Big, plentiful, (~ *weight*, good weight). [*LUMP¹*, -ING¹]

lūm'plish, a. Heavy & clumsy; stupid, lethargic. Hence ~*LY²* adv., ~*NESS* n. [*LUMP¹*, -ISH¹]

lūm'ply, a. Full of or covered with lumps; (of water) cut up by wind into small waves. Hence ~*LY²* adv., ~*NESS* n. [cf. *lumpy* (lōō-, lū-), a. Being a lunatic, insanity (formerly of the intermittent kind attributed to changes of moon), (Law)

such mental unsoundness as interferes with civil rights or transactions || (*Commission of ~*, authorization of inquiry into person's sanity; *Commissioner in ~*, member of board of ten for inspecting asylums etc.; *Master in ~*, officer investigating cases of alleged ~); great folly. [LUNATIC, -ACY]

lun'ar (lōō, lū-), a. & n. 1. Of, in, as of, the moon (as *OCYCLE*; ~ *distance*, of moon from sun, planet, or star, used in finding longitude at sea; ~ *month*, interval between new moons, about 29½ days, (pop.) period of four weeks; ~ *nodes*, at which moon's orbit cuts ecliptic; ~ *observation*, finding of longitude by ~ *distance*; ~ *politics*, unpractical questions; ~ *rainbow*, made by moon's rays); (of light, glory, etc.) pale, feeble; crescent-shaped, *lunate*, (esp. ~ *bone* in wrist); of or containing silver (from alchemists' use of *luna* moon for silver; ~ *caustic*, nitrate of silver fused). 2. n. ~ *distance* or observation; ~ *bone*. [*L. lunaris* (*luna* moon, -AR¹)]

lunār'ian (lōō-, lū-), n. Inhabitant of moon; astronomer or navigator with special knowledge of the moon. [prec., -IAN]

lun'āte (lōō-, lū-), a. (nat. hist.). Crescent-shaped. [f. *L lunatus* (*luna* moon, -ATE²)]

lun'atic (loo-, lû-), a. & n. Insane (person; see LUNACY), mad(man); (of actions etc.) outrageously foolish, frantic, mad; eccentric, foolish, (person); ~ *asylum*, hospital for reception & treatment of ~s. [f. LL *lunaticus* (*luna* moon, -ATIO)]

lunā'tion (loo-, lû-), n. Time from one new moon to next. [f. med. *L lunatio* (prec., -ATION)]

lūnch, n., & v.i. & t., **lūn'cheon** (-chn), n.,
(-ch now usu. exc. in formal or ceremonious
use). 1. (With late diners) midday meal;
(with midday diners) light refreshment
taken between breakfast & dinner. 2. vb.
(-ch). Take ~; provide ~ for. [etym., &
relation between forms, doubtful; both
had earlier sense *hump* (of bread, meat,
etc.), & *hunch* may be related to it as
hunch, *bunch*, to *hump*, *bump*]

lune (lōon, lūn), n. (geom.). Figure formed on sphere or plane by two arcs enclosing space. [F. f. L *luna* moon]

lunette' (lōō, lū-), n. Arched aperture in concave ceiling to admit light; crescent-shaped or semicircular space in dome or ceiling decorated with painting etc.; (Fortif.) work larger than redan, with two faces & two flanks; watch-glass of flattened shape; hole for neck in gullotine. [F (prec., -ETTE)]

lung, *n.* Either of the pair of breathing-organs in man & most vertebrates (*good ~s*, strong voice); *IRON~*; *~s of London* etc., open spaces in or close to great city; *~s of oak*, *~wort*; *~fish*, having *~s* as *scale on gills*; *~power*, power of voice; *~wort*, plant of borage kind with white

spotted leaves likened to diseased ~, (ll also ~s of oak) kind of lichen supposed to be good for ~-disease. Hence ~-MD (-gd), ~'LESS, aa. [OE *lungen*, cf. Du. *long*, G *lunge*, cogn. w. Gk *elaphros* LIGHT (named from lightness of substance), & see LIGHTS]

lünge¹ (-j), **longe** (-ünj), n., & v.t. **1.** Long rope with which horse-breaker holds horse while he makes it canter in circle; circular exercise-ground for training horses. **2.** v.t. Exercise (horse) with or in ~. [F *longe* halter (L *longus* long)]

lunge^a (-j), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Thrust with sword etc. esp. in fencing; sudden forward movement, plunge, rush. 2. vb. Make ~ in fencing, deliver blow from shoulder in boxing, (*at, out*); (of horse) kick out; drive (weapon, sting, etc.) violently in some direction; rush, make sudden start in some direction. [*f. earlier allonge*, *F. f. allonger* lengthen (*d* to, *L longus* long)]

lunisōl'ar (lōō-, lū-), a. Of sun & moon (~ *period*, of 532 years between agreements of solar & lunar cycles; ~ *year*, with divisions regulated by changes of moon, & average length made to agree with sun's revolution). [f. L *luna* moon, -i-, L *sol* sun, -AR¹]

lünk'ah (-a), n. Kind of strong Indian cheroot. [f. Hind. *lanka* islands (of delta where the tobacco is grown)]

luny. See LOONY.

lup'in(e) (lō-, lū-), n. Kinds of garden & fodder plant with long tapering spikes of blue, purple, white, or yellow flowers; (usu. pl.) seed of these. [*L. lupinus*]

lup'ine² (lōō-, lū-), a. Of wolf or wolves, wolf-like. [f. L *lupinus* (*lupus* wolf, -INE¹)]

lup'us (lōō-, lū-), *n.* Ulcerous disease of skin. Hence ~oid, ~ous, *aa.* [*L.* = wolf]

lurch¹, n. *Leave in the ~*, desert (friend, ally) in difficulties. [formerly—state of score in some games in which winner was far ahead of loser, f. *F lourche* game like backgammon, also bad defeat in this]

lurch¹, n., & v.i. 1. Sudden lean to one side, stagger. 2. v.i. Make ~-(es), stagger.
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lurch'er, n. Petty thief, swindler; spy;
|| cross-bred dog between collie or sheep-
dog & greyhound, used esp. by poachers.
[f. obs. *lurch* vb var. of *LURK*]

lure, n., & v.t. 1. Falconer's apparatus for recalling hawk (bunch of feathers, within which it finds its food while being trained, attached to thong); something used to entice; enticing quality of a pursuit etc. 2. v.t. Recall (hawk) with ~; entice (person, animal; usu. *away* or *into*). [*F. Of lure*, cf. It. *logoro* bait, prob. f. Tent. (G *luder* bait)]

ill'd, *a.* Ghastly, wan, glaring, unnatural, stormy, terrible, in colour or combination of colours or lights (of complexion, landscape, sky, lightning, thunder-clouds,

smoky flame, glance, etc.; *casts a ~ light on facts* or character, explains or reveals them in a tragic (or terrible way); (Bot. etc.) of dingy yellowish brown. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *luridus* pale-yellow]

lurk, v.i., & n. Be hidden in, under, about, etc.; escape notice, exist unobserved, be latent; (n.) on the ~, spying; ~ing-place, hiding-place. [perh. cogn. w. LOUR; cf. LG *lurken* shuffle along, Norw. *lurka* loiter in work]

luscious (-shus), a. Richly sweet in taste or smell; sickly sweet, cloying; (of language or literary style) over-rich in sound, imagery, or voluptuous suggestion. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [ME *luci-licious*, perh. = DELICIOUS]

lush¹, a. Luxuriant & succulent (of plants, esp. grass). [f]

lush², n., & v.t. & i. (sl.). 1. Liqueur, drink. 2. vb. Ply with liquor; drink. [f]

lush³, a. (sl.). Drunk. [-Y³]

lust, n., & v.i. 1. (Bibl., Theol.) sensuous appetite regarded as sinful; animal desire for sexual indulgence, lascivious passion, whence ~FUL a., ~FULNESS n.; passionate enjoyment or desire of (~ of battle, conquest, accumulation, applause). 2. v.i. Have strong or excessive desire (usu. after or for). [com.-Teut.; so Du. & G]

lust¹ral, a. Of, used in, ceremonial purification. [f. L *lustralis* (LUSTRUM, -AL)]

lust²tr[ate], v.t. Purify by expiatory sacrifice, ceremonial washing, or other such rite. So ~ATION n. [f. L *lustrare* (LUSTRUM, -ATE³)]

lust³re¹ (-ter), n., & v.t. 1. Gloss, refulgence, shining surface, brilliance, bright light, radiant beauty, whence ~LESS (-ter-), ~st'rous, aa., ~st'rously³ adv.; splendour, glory, distinction, (add ~ to, throw or shed ~ on). 2. Prismatic glass pendant of chandelier. 3. Thin dress-material with cotton warp, woollen woof, & lustrous surface; kind of wool with lustrous surface. 4. v.t. Put ~ on (cloth, pottery, etc.). [F (L *lustrare* illumine, prob. f. *lux lucis* light)]

lust³re² (-ter), n. = LUSTRUM.

lust³trine, ~lust'ring, nn. Glossy silk fabric. [LUSTRE¹]

lust³trum, n. (pl. -a, -ums). Period of five years. [L, orig. purificatory sacrifice after quinquennial census, prob. f. *luere* wash]

lust³ty, a. Healthy & strong; vigorous, lively. Hence ~HOOD, ~INESS, nn., ~LY³ adv. [-Y³]

lus³us natu³ae (lōō-, lū-), n. Freak of nature, strikingly abnormal natural production, sport. [L]

lut³anist (lōō-, lū-), n. Lute-player. [f. med. L *lutania* (*lutana* LUTE¹, -IST)]

lute³ (lōōt, lūt), n. Guitar-like instrument used in 14th-17th centuries (RFR within the ~). [f. F *luth* f. Arab. *al'ud* (al the, 'ud, lute, orig. wood)]

lute³ (lōōt, lūt), n., & v.t. 1. Clay or cement used to stop hole, make joint airtight, coat crucible, protect graft, etc. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to. Hence lu'ting³(8) n. [f. OF *lut* f. L *lutum* mud]

lu³téo- (lōō-, lū-), comb. form of L *luteus* orange-coloured (*lutum* weld), as ~ful'vous orange-tawny.

lu³téous (lōō-, lū-), a. (nat. hist.). Of deep orange yellow. [prec., -OUS]

lute³string (lōōts-, lū-), n. Glossy silk fabric. [perh. assim. of *lustring* var. of LUSTRINE to *lute*, string]

Lutetian (lōōtū'shn, lū-), a. Parisian. [f. L *Lutetia* ancient name of Paris, -AN]

Lu³theran (lōō-, lū-), a. & n. (Follower) of Martin Luther, (member) of Church accepting the Augsburg confession. Hence ~ISM(3) n., ~IZE(2) v.i., (3) v.t. [-AN]

lux³[ate], v.t. Dislocate (joint etc.). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *luxare* (*luxus* dislocated f. Gk *loxos*), -ATE³]

lux³e (lōōks), n. De ~, of unusual sumptuousness (*édition de ~*) or comfort (*train de ~*), see Ap. [F]

lux³ur'iant, a. Prolific (lit., & of imagination etc.); profuse of growth, exuberant, rank; (of literary or artistic style) florid, richly ornamented. Hence ~ANCE n., ~antly³ adv. [f. L *luxuriare* grow rank (*luxuria* LUXURY), -ANT]

lux³ur'iate, v.i. Revel, enjoy oneself, in or on; take one's ease, be luxurious. [prec., -ATE³]

lux³ur'ious, a. Given, contributing, to luxury, self-indulgent, voluptuous, very comfortable. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *luxurius* f. L *luxurius* (foll., -OUS)]

lux³ury (-kashr), n. (Habitual use of) choice or costly food, dress, furniture, etc.; thing that one enjoys; thing desirable but not indispensable; luxuriousness. [f. OF *luxurie* f. L *luxuria* (*luxus* abundance)]

-ly³, suf. f. OE -lic, cf. OHG -lik, G -lich, f. OTeut. -liko- (*likom* form). The suf. forms adj. f. nn. w. sense *having the qualities of* (kingly, scholarly, soldierly), or w. sense of recurrence (daily, hourly).

-ly³, suf. forming advv., f. OE -lice (cf. OHG -lichō, G -lich) f. OTeut. -liko- (prec.) + adv. suf. -ō. In OTeut. an adv. in -ly implies the existence of an adj. in -ly¹; but even in OE the suf. (in the form -lice) was added to other adj., & later became the usu. ending for adv. Down to 17th c. adv. -ly was added even to adj. in -ly, the orig. -likō being thus doubly represented; these advv. in -ily are now avoided as awkward, & as the adv. use of the adj. (to live godly) is also avoided, adj. in -ly have in ordinary use no corr. adv. *Partly* is a solitary formation on n. Wds in -le have -ly for -lely (*feebly, supply, not feebly, supply*).

lycān'thropy, n. Transformation of witch into a wolf; form of madness in which

patient imagines himself some beast & exhibits depraved appetites, change of voice, etc. [L. Gk *lukanthrōpia* (*lukos* wolf, *anthrōpos* man, -r¹)]

lycée (lès'è), n. State secondary school in France. [F]

Lycēum, n. Garden at Athens in which Aristotle taught, his philosophy & followers (of ACADEMY, GARDEN, PORCH); literary institution, lecture-hall, teaching-place. [L, f. Gk *Lukeion* neut. of *Lukios* epithet of Apollo (from whose neighbouring temple the ~ was named)]

lych. See **LYCH**.

lych'nis (-k-), n. Genus of plants including Camplion & Ragged Robin. [L, f. Gk *lukhnis* red flower (*lukhnos* lamp)]

lyc'opōd, -pōd'ium, n. Clubmoss; (-ium only) fine powder from kind of ~ used as absorbent in surgery, & in making stage-lightning. [-d anglicized f. -ium mod. L (Gk *lukos* wolf, *pous* pōdos foot)]

lydd'ite, n. High explosive chiefly of picric acid used in shells. [Lydd in Kent, -ITE¹]

Lyd'ian, a. & n. (Language, inhabitant) of Lydia, ancient division of Asia Minor; ~ mode: ancient Greek MODS, reputedly effeminate in character; fifth of eool. modes, with F as final & C as dominant. [f. L f. Gk *Ludios*, -AN]

lye, n. Water alkalinized by lixivation of vegetable ashes, any strong alkaline solution esp. for washing, any detergent. [OE *lȳog* cf. Du. *loog*, G *lauge*, prob. cogn. w. **LATHER**]

ly'ing¹, n. In vbl senses of **LYE**^{1,2}; also: place to lie (*soft, dry, ~*); ~ in, being in childbirth (also attrib., as ~ in hospital). [-ING¹]

ly'ing², a. In vbl senses of **LYE**^{1,2}; esp.: deceitful, false, whence ~LY¹ adv.; ~, placed, as low ~ land. [-ING²]

|| **lyke-wake**, n. Watch kept at night over dead body. [LON, WAKE¹]

lyme-grass (-ahs), n. Kind of grass planted on sand to keep it from shifting. [perh. f. **LYME**¹ w. ref. to its binding effect]

lymph, n. Pure water (poet.); (Physiol.) colourless alkaline fluid from tissues or organs of body, like blood but without red corpuscles; exudation from sore etc., (also *vaccines* ~) matter taken from cow-pox vesicles & used in vaccination, other morbid matter used for similar purposes. Hence ~OUS a. [f. L *lymphā* water prob. cogn. w. **LYMPHUS**]

lymphat'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, secreting, conveying, lymph, (~ gland, vessel; ~ system, these glands & vessels); (of persons or temperament) flabby-muscle, pale-skinned, sluggish, (qualities formerly attributed to excess of lymph). 2. n. Vein-like vessel conveying lymph. [f. L *lymphaticus* mod. (*lymphā* see prec.; the ~ system, due to supposed connexion

w. Gk *nymphē* nymph, which affected spelling of *lymphā*) as though = of water] **lyncē'an**, a. **LYNX**-eyed, keen-sighted. [f. L f. Gk *lynkeios* (*lynx* **LYNX**), -AN; often also w. ref. to *Lyneus* the keen-sighted Argonaut]

lynch, n., & v.t. 1. ~ (or L~) law, procedure of self-constituted illegal court that summarily executes person charged with flagrant offence; *Judge L~*, imaginary authority to whom sentences are attributed. 2. v.t. Execute (person) thus. [orig. U.S., earlier *Lynch's law*, doubtfully referred to Charles L~, J.P. in Virginia, indemnified 1782 for illegally punishing persons]

lynx, n. Kinds of animal of the cat tribe with tufted ear-tips, short tail, spotted fur, & proverbially keen sight; ~ fur; ~-eyed, sharp-sighted. [L, f. Gk *lynx*, cf. G *lynx*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *leusō* see]

Lý'on, n. (Also ~ *King of Arms*) chief herald of Scotland. [arch. for *lion*; named f. lion on royal shield]

Lýr'a, n. Northern constellation. [L, f. Gk *lura* **LYRE**]

Lýr'aid, **Lýr'id**, n. (usu. pl.). Meteor(s) radiating from Lyra about 20 Apr. [-ID¹] **lýr'ate**, a. (nat. hist.). Lyre-shaped. [-ATE¹]

lyre (lîr), n. Obsolete instrument of harp kind but of size fit for holding up in left hand, & with strings supported by two symmetrically curved horns, chiefly used for accompanying voice; ~bird, Australian bird with ~shaped tail. So **lýr'istr(s)** n. [f. L f. Gk *lura*]

ly'ric, a. & n. 1. Of or for the lyre, meant to be sung; of the nature of, expressed or fit to be expressed in, song (~ drama, the ~ stage, opera); (of poem) expressing writer's own thoughts & sentiments usu. at no great length & in stanzas or strophes, (of poet) writing in this manner. 2. n. ~ poem, (pl.) ~ verses. Hence ~o- comb. form. [f. L f. Gk *lurikos* (prec., -IO)]

ly'rical, a. = prec. (now rare); resembling, couched in or using language appropriate to, lyric poetry. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL] **ly'ricism**, n. Lyric character or (w. pl.) expression; high-flown sentiments. [-ISM] **lys'ol**, n. Saponified mixture of cresol (see **CRESOL**) & oil, soluble in water, used as disinfectant. [P; f. Gk *lysis* (*lús* loosen) + -OL]

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M, m, (ém), letter (pl. *Ms*, *M's*). (As numeral) 1,000, as **MMCI** 2,101, **MMCLII** 1,951; (Print., m), = **ME**.

-m, -ma, -mas, suf. in nn. taken f. Gk (-ma = *maia*), usu. expr. result of verbal action; as *phlegma*, poem, comma, coma, scheme, theme. Adj. formed on

- show the -at- of the Gk stem (*phlegmatic*, *comatose*).
- ma** (mah), n. (vulg.). = **MAWA**¹.
- ma'am** (mahm, mām, m'm), n. Madam (esp. used at Court in addressing Queen or royal princess, pr. mām, or by servants, pr. m'm).
- maca'bre** (-ahbr), a. *Danse* ~, dance of death; grim, gruesome. [F, perh. corrupt. of OF *Macabé* Maccabee]
- macac'ō**¹, n. Monkey of genus *Macacus*. [Port., = monkey]
- macac'ō**², n. Kinds of lemur. [f]
- macad'am**, a. & n. 1. (Of roads) made in the manner & with the materials advocated by J. L. McAdam (d. 1836), i.e. with successive layers of broken stone of nearly uniform size, each subjected to pressure before next is laid. 2. n. Such material. Hence ~ISE v.t., ~IZA'TION n.
- macarōn'**ī, n. 1. Wheaten paste formed into long tubes, used as food; ~i *cheese*, savoury pudding of ~i & cheese baked. 2. (hist.). 18th-c. exquisite affecting continental tastes, whence ~ISM n. [f. It. *macaroni*, etym. dub.]
- macarōn'ic**, a. & n. pl. (Verses) of burlesque form containing Latin (or other foreign) words & vernacular words with Latin etc. terminations; medley. [f. prec. + -ic]
- macarōn'**, n. Small cake or biscuit of ground almonds, white of egg, sugar, etc. [f. *Macaron* (as *MACARONI*)]
- macart'ney**, n. Kind of pheasant. [George, Earl M~, d. 1806]
- macass'ar**, a. & n. ~ (oil), kind of hair oil. [f. *Mangkasara*, in island of Celebes]
- macaw**¹, n. Kinds of parrot. [f. Port. *macao*, etym. dub.]
- macaw**², n. Kinds of palm. [prob. Carib]
- Maccabē'an**, a. Of the *Maccabees*, Jewish princes who freed Judaea from tyranny of Antiochus Epiphanes, c. 166 B.C. [f. L f. Gk *Makkabaios*]
- macc'aboy**, -baw, n. Kind of snuff, usu. scented with attar of roses. [f. *Macouba*, district in Martinique]
- macce**¹, n. (Hist.) heavy usu. metal-headed & spiked club; staff of office resembling this; ~bearer, official carrying this staff; stick used in bagatelle. [OF, f. L [†]*mattea* whence *matteola* (prob.) = mallet]
- macce**², n. Dried outer covering of nutmeg, as spice. [f. *Macia*, etym. dub.]
- mac'cédoin** (-édwahn), n. Fruit or vegetables in jelly as a dish or as cook's material. [F]
- mac'cer|âte**, v.t. & i. Soften by soaking, waste away by fasting. So ~A'TION n. [f. L *macerare*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *maséō* knead, see -ATE³]
- machan'** (-ahn), n. (Anglo-Ind.). E vated platform used in tiger-shooting etc. [Hind.]
- machete** (-ât'a), n. See **MATCHET**.
- Mächlavéll'**ī (-kl-), n. Unscrupulous schemer; one who practises duplicity in statecraft, whence ~IAN a., ~ISM n. [f. Niccolò *Machiavelli*, Florentine statesman, author of *work del Principe*, in which unscrupulous statecraft is advocated]
- machic'ol|âte**, v.t. Furnish (parapet etc.) with openings between supporting corbels for dropping stones etc. on assailants. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. med. L *machicolare* = OF *machecoller*, conn. w. foll.]
- machicoulis** (mahshikōō'l), n. Machicolation. [f. F *machicoulis*]
- mäch'in|âte** (-k-), v.l. Lay plots, intrigue. So ~A'TION, ~âtōr², nn. [f. L *machinari* contrive (as foll.), see -ATE³]
- machine'** (-shén), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Apparatus for applying mechanical power, having several parts each with definite function (the kind often being specified, as *sewing*, *printing*, ~); bicycle, tricycle; *bathing* ~ (see **BATHE**¹); person who acts mechanically & without intelligence, or with unfailing regularity; (Mech.) instrument that transmits force or directs its application, as *simple* ~, one without parts, e.g. lever; controlling political organization (esp. in U.S.); ~gun, mounted gun mechanically loaded & fired, delivering continuous fire, (v.t.) shoot at with ~gun; ~made, made by ~; ~ tool, tool worked by machinery, not by hand. 2. vb. Make or operate on with ~ (esp. of sewing & printing); use ~. [F, f. L *machina* f. Gk *mēchanē* f. *mēkhos* contrivance, cogn. w. MAY¹]
- machin'ery** (-shē-), n. Machines; work of a machine, mechanism; contrivances, esp. supernatural persons & incidents, used in literary work. [f. prec. + -ERY]
- machin'ist** (-shē-), n. One who makes or controls machinery; one who works (esp. sewing-) machine. [f. prec. + -IST]
- machōm'eter** (-k-), n. Instrument giving air speed as a fraction of the local speed of sound in air. [f. *Mach* inventor, -ō-, -METER]
- māc(k)**, n. (colloq.). Mackintosh. [abbr.]
- māc'kerel**, n. Sea-fish used as food & approaching shore in shoals in summer to spawn; ~ breeze, gale (strong, & so favourable to ~catching); ~ sky (dappled with small white fleecy clouds). [f. OF *makerel*, etym. dub.]
- māc(k)'intōsh**, n. Waterproof material of rubber & cloth for garments, esp. that patented by C. Macintosh (d. 1848); cloak, coat, of this.
- mā'cle**, n. Twin crystal; dark spot in mineral. [F, f. *MACULA*]
- Mācon** (mahkawā'), n. Wine produced in the neighbourhood of ~ in France. [place]
- || macōn'ochie** (-ki), n. Tinned stew as part of army rations. [M~, maker]
- macra'mé** (-rahm), n. Fringe, trimming, of knotted thread or cord. [prob. L Turk. *magrama* towel]

măc'ro- in comb. = Gk *makros* long, large, as: ~*cephal'ic*, long, large, -headed; ~*cosm*, the great world, the universe, (cf. MICROCOSM), any great whole; ~*meter* (-ôm'), instrument for measuring distant objects; ~*scop'ic*, visible to naked eye.

măc'rôn, n. Mark placed over vowel (â) to show that it is long. [Gk, neut. adj. as prec.]

măc'ül'a, n. (pl. ~*ae*). Dark spot in sun; spot in mineral; spot, esp. permanent one, in skin, whence ~*AR'ia*, ~*A'TION* n. [L]

măd', a. (-dd-). Out of one's mind, insane; (of person or conduct) wildly foolish; like ~, furiously, violently, as *I ran like ~*; wildly excited, infatuated, (after, about, for, on, thing, subject, etc.); (colloq.) annoyed, as *I was rather ~ at missing my train*; (of animals) rahid; (prov.) ~ as a *March HARE*, as a *hatter*; extravagant, wild, in gale; ~*cap*, wildly impulsive person; ~*doctor* (treating the ~); ~*house*, lunatic asylum; ~*man*, ~*woman*, ~ person; ~ *minute* (army sl.), rapid fire in class-firing. Hence ~*LY* adv., ~*NESS* n. [OE *gemäd(e)d*, p.p. of *gemædan* make mad (*gemæd* mad, cf. OS *gimēd* foolish, OHG *gamelit*, & L *mutare* change)]

măd', v.t. & i. (-dd-; rare). Make mad; be mad, act madly, as the ~*ding crowd* (as quot. from Gray's *Elegy*, now often taken as ~distracting). [f. prec.]

măd'am, n. Polite formal address to woman. [f. OF *MA DAME* my lady]

madame (madahm'), măd'am; pl. *mesdames* pr. mădahm'. F form of prec. as title or form of address; *M~ Tussaud's* (tôbôz'), show in London of waxwork figures of celebrated & notorious persons (often w. ref. to the chamber of HORRORS in it). [as prec.]

mădapôll'am, n. A cotton cloth, orig. of Indian make. [f. *M~* in Madras]

măd'en, v.t. & i. Make, become, mad; irritate. Hence ~*ingLY* adv. [f. *MAD* + -EN']

măd'er, n. Herbaceous climbing plant with yellowish flowers; dye got from this. [OE *mædere*, cf. Sw. *madra*, Norw. *modra*]

măde, a. P.p. of MAKE. Special uses: ~*dish* (of several ingredients); ~*gravy* (artificially compounded); a ~*man*, one whose success in life is assured; (of person etc.) *well, stoutly, loosely, powerfully, ~* (built, formed).

Madeir'a (-êra), n. Island in Atlantic Ocean; white wine there produced; ~*cake*, kind of sponge-cake. [Port., f. L *materia* MATTER, timber from its thick woods]

mademoiselle (mădamazêl', & see Ap.), n. (pl. *mademoiselles*, pr. mădmwazêl'). Unmarried Frenchwoman; French governess. [F']

măd'in, n. Plant allied to Sunflower; ~*seed*, the seed, & made into cake for cattle. [f. Chil. *mad'i*]

madônn'a, n. (Picture, statue, of) Virgin Mary; ~*ily* (white, as in pictures of M~). [It. (*ma-mia* my + *donna* lady f. L *domina*)]

madrâs'ah (-a), **mădrêss'eh** (-â), n. Mohammedan college. [Arab. (-*sah*) f. *darasa* v. study]

măd'rê|pôre, n. Genus of perforate corals; animal producing these. Hence ~*pô'ric*, ~*pô'riform*, aa. [f. It. *madrepore* (*madre* mother + *poro*, coral-like but porous substance)]

măd'rigal, n. Short amatory poem; part-song for several voices, prop. with elaborate contrapuntal imitation & without instrumental accompaniment. Hence ~*al'IAN* a. [f. It. *madrigale*, etym. dub.]

maduro (mahdoor'ô), a. (Of cigars) full-flavoured. [Sp., = matured]

Maecên'as, n. Generous patron of literature or art. [~, patron of Horace & Virgil]

mael'strom (mâl-), n. Whirlpool on W. coast of Norway; great whirlpool (lit. & fig.). [Du. (*malen* grind + *strom* stream)]

maen'ad, n. Bacchante. [f. L f. Gk *mainas* -ados f. *mainomai* rave]

măestôs'ô (mah-), adv. (mus.). Majestically. [It.]

măes'trô (mah-), n. (pl. -*ri*, pr. -*ô*). Great musical composer, teacher, or conductor. [It.]

Mae Wëst (mâ), n. (sl.). Airman's life-jacket. [person]

măff'ick, v.i. Exult riotously. [back formation f. *Mafeking* (relief of which in 1900 was celebrated extravagantly in London etc.), treated as gerund]

mafi'a (mahf'ê-a), n. Hostility to law & its ministers among Sicilian population, often shown in crimes; those who share in this. [Sicil.]

|| **măg'**, n. (sl.). Halfpenny. [F']

măg', n. (Short for) MAGNETO (esp. in comb., as ~*generator*).

măgazine' (-zên), n. 1. Store for arms, ammunition, & provisions, in time of war; store for gunpowder or other explosives; ~ *gun* (with chamber containing supply of cartridges fed automatically to the breech). 2. Periodical publication containing articles by various writers. [f. F *magasin* f. Arab. *makhasia* pl. of *makhzan* storehouse (*khasana* store up)]

Măg'dalên, -lêne, n. Reformed prostitute. (Mary Magdalene of Magdala (*Luke* viii. 2) identified with the sinner of *Luke* vii. 37. *Magdalen* College, Oxford, & *Magdalene* College, Cambridge, are pr. mawd'lîn)

Măgdalên'ian, a. (archaeol.). Of the (latest) palaeolithic period represented by remains found at La Madeleine, Dordogne, France. [-IAN]

măge, n. (arch.). Magician; learned person. [f. MAGUS]

măgên'ta, n. & a. 1. Brilliant crimson aniline dye, discovered soon after battle at

M~ in N. Italy (1850). 2. adj. Coloured with or like ~.

magg'ot, n. Larva, esp. of cheese-fly & bluebottle; red ~, larva of wheat-midge; whimsical fancy, esp. ~ in one's head. Hence ~y¹ a. [prob. conn. w. ME *madhek* in same sense]

Mā'gī. See MAGUS.

Mā'gian, a. & n. (One) of the Magi; magician. Hence ~ism(3) n. [-IAN]

mā'gic, a. & n. (Of) the pretended art of influencing course of events by occult control of nature or of spirits, witchcraft; black, white, natural, ~ (involving invocation of devils, angels, no personal spirit); inexplicable or remarkable influence producing surprising results; ~ square, one divided into smaller squares containing each a number, so arranged that sum of a row, vertical, horizontal, or diagonal, is always same; ~ lantern, optical instrument throwing magnified image of glass picture on white screen in dark room; ~ mirror (in which future or distant scenes are presented to spectator). Hence ~AL a., ~ALY¹ adv. [f. *F magique* a. & n. f. L f. Gk *magikos* (as MAGUS, see -IC)]

magi'cian (-shn), n. One skilled in magic, wizard. [f. *F magicien* (as prec., see -ICIAN)]

magilp'. See MEGILP.

Maginot line (mah'zhēnō), n. French fortified line on Franco-German frontier. [person]

māgister'ial, a. Of, conducted by, a magistrate; invested with authority; dictatorial; (of opinions) authoritative. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *magisterialis* f. LL *magisterius* (as MASTER)]

magis'tral, a. Of a master or masters, as the ~ staff (of a school); (Pharm., of remedy etc.) devised by physician for particular case, not included in the pharmacopoeia (cf. OFFICIAL). [f. L *magistrālis* (as MASTER, see -AL)]

mā'gistrāte, n. Civil officer administering law; JUSTICE of the peace. Hence or cogn. ~ACY, ~ATESHIP, ~ATURE, nn. [f. L *magistratus* -ūs (orig. office of magistrate (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

Māglemōs'ian (-z), a. Of the early European culture illustrated by articles found at Maglemose in Denmark. [-IAN]

māg'ma, n. (pl. ~s). Crude pasty mixture of mineral or organic matters; one of supposed fluid strata under solid crust of earth. [L f. Gk (*massē*) knead, root *mag-*, see -M)]

Māg'na C(h)art'a (k-), n. Great charter of English personal & political liberty obtained from John in 1215. [med. L]

māgnā'l'ium, n. Light tough alloy of aluminium & magnesium. [MAGN(ESIUM) + AL(UMINIUM) + -IUM]

māgnān'imus, a. High-souled, above petty feelings. Hence or cogn. *māgnānim'ity* n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *magnanimus* (*magnus* great + *animus* soul) + -OUS]

māg'nāte, n. Great man; wealthy or eminent man. [f. LL *magnas -atis* (*magnus* great)]

māgnē'sia (-sha), n. Oxide of magnesium; (pop.) hydrated magnesium carbonate, white powder used as antacid & cathartic. Hence ~AN (-shn) a. [med. L, f. Gk *magnēsia* (*lithos* stone) of Magnesia, (1) loadstone, (2) perh. talc]

māgnēs'ium (or -shyum), n. Metallic element, present in magnesia; ~ light, blinding light got by burning ~ wire. [f. prec., see -IUM]

māg'nēt, n. Piece of iron or ore having the properties of attracting iron & of pointing north & south when suspended, natural (as in loadstone) or induced by contact with a ~, by induction, or by electric current; *horse-shoe* ~ (in shape of bar bent till ends nearly meet); = LOAD-stone; (fig.) thing that attracts. [f. L f. Gk *Magnēs -ēlos* (*lithos* stone) of Magnesia]

māgnēt'ic, a. & n. 1. Having properties of magnet; producing, produced by, acting by, magnetism; ~ equator, ACCLINO line; ~ mine, submarine mine detonated by approach of large mass of ~ material, e.g. ship; ~ NEEDLE, NORTH; capable of receiving properties of, or being attracted by, loadstone; (fig.) very attractive; mesmeric. 2. n. pl. Science of magnetism. Hence *māgnēt'ically* adv. [-IC]

māg'nétism, n. Magnetic phenomena; natural agency producing these; *terrestrial* ~, magnetic properties of the earth as a whole; *animal* ~, = MESMERISM; (fig.) attraction, personal charm. So *māg'nétist*(3) n. [-ISM]

māg'nétite, n. Magnetic iron oxide. [-ITE]

māg'nétiz'e, v.t. Give magnetic properties to; attract (lit. & fig.) as magnet does; mesmerize. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

māgnēt'ō, n. (pl. ~s). An electric generator using magnets which are independent of the current produced (esp. type of igniting-apparatus of internal-combustion engines producing the required intermittent high-tension current independently of a battery). [abbr. of *magneto-electric*]

māgnēt'o- in comb. = magnetic, as: ~electric, (of electric generators) using magnets which are independent of the current produced, so ~electricity; ~graph, instrument recording movements of ~meter (-ōm) (instrument measuring magnetic forces, esp. terrestrial magnetism).

māgnif'ic(al), aa. (arch.). Magnificent, sublime. [f. F *magnifique* f. L *magnificus* (*magnus* great, see -TIO) + -AL]

māgnif'icāt, n. Hymn of Virgin Mary in Luke i. 46-55, used as canticle, & beginning thus. [L, 3rd sing. of *magnificare* MAGNIFY]

magnificent, *a.* Splendid, stately; sumptuously constructed or adorned; splendidly lavish; (colloq.) fine, excellent. Hence or cogn. **~ENCE** *n.*, **~ENTLY** *adv.* [OF, *f. l. magnificent* stem seen in comp. & sup. of *magnificus* MAGNIFIC]

magnificō, *n.* (pl. **~es**). Venetian mag-nate; grandee. [It., as MAGNIFIC]

māg'ni'fī, *v.t.* Increase apparent size of (thing), as with lens or microscope; exaggerate; (rare) increase; (arch.) extol. Hence or cogn. **~FICA'TION**, **~FIER** *'(2)*, *nn.* [*f. l. magnificare* (*magnus* great, see -FY)]

māgnī'loquēnt, *a.* Lofty in expression; boastful. Hence **~ENCE** *n.*, **~ENTLY** *adv.* [*f. l. magniloquus* (*magnus* great + *loquus* speaking) + **~ENT**]

māg'nī'tūde, *n.* Largeness; size; importance; *first, seventh*, etc., **~**, classes of fixed stars arranged according to degree of brilliancy, (fig.) of the *first* **~** (importance). [*f. l. magnitudo* (*magnus* great, see -TUD)]

māgnō'lī'a, *n.* Genus of trees or shrubs cultivated for foliage & flower. [*f. P. Magnol*, botanist (d. 1715)]

māg'num, *n.* (Bottle containing) two quarts (of wine or spirits). [*L*, neut. of *magnus* great]

māg'num bōn'um, *n.* Large yellow cooking plum; kind of potato. [*L* *wds* = large good]

magnum opus. See OPUS.

māg'pie, *n.* 1. European bird with long pointed tail & black-&-white plumage; idle chatterer; variety of pigeon. 2. (Rifle shot that strikes) outermost division but one of target. [*f. mag* abbr. of *Margaret* + **~PIE**]

māg'us, *n.* (pl. **~gi**, *pr.* **~ji**). Member of ancient Persian priestly caste; sorcerer; *the (three) Magi*, the 'wise men' from the East who brought offerings to the infant Christ. [*L*, *f. Gk magos f. OPers. magus*]

Magyar, *n. & a.* 1. (*mōd'yar*). (Member, language) of the Mongoloid race now predominant in Hungary. 2. (*māg'yar*). **~** (*blouse*), blouse with sleeves cut in one piece with main part of garment. [native] **Mahabharata** (*mahhahbah'rata*), *n.* An ancient Hindu epic. [Skr.]

maharaja(h) (*mah-harah'ja*), *n.* Title of some Indian princes. [Hind. (*maha* great + *raja*)]

maharānee (*mah-harah'nī*), *n.* Maharajah's wife. [Hind. (*maha* great, *rani* queen)]

mahāt'ma (*ma-h-*), *n.* (esoteric Bud-dhism). One of a class of persons with preternatural powers, supposed to exist in India & Tibet. [*f. Skr. mahatman* (*maha* great + *atman* soul)]

Mahdī, *n.* Spiritual & temporal leader accepted by Mohammedans (often ap-pointed to lead in insurrection in Sen-

dan), whence **Mahdī** (JAHN) *n.* [*f. Arab. mahdī* he who is guided right, *p.p.* of *hada* guide]

mah-jōng(g), *n.* A Chinese game for four played with 144 pieces called tiles, adopted in Europe & America c. 1928. [Chin., = sparrows]

mahlistick. See MAULSTICK.

mahōg'anī (*ma-h-*), *n.* Wood of a tropic American tree, much used for furniture & taking high polish; the tree; dining table (*have one's knees under person's* = be dining with him); the colour of **~**, reddish-brown. (often attrib.). [1]

Mahōm'etan (*ma-h-*). See MOHAMMEDAN. **Mahound'** (*ma-hōond*), *n.* (arch., joo.). Mohammed. [*f. OF Mahun* short for *Mahomet*]

mahout' (*ma-hout*), *n.* Elephant-driver. [*f. Hind. mahaut*]

Mahrātt'a (*marā-*), *n.* Member of a war-like Indian race. [Hind. *Marhatta*]

mah'seer, *n.* Large Indian freshwater game fish. [Hind. *mahāsīr*]

maid, *n.* Girl; young unmarried woman; spinster; *old* **~**, elderly spinster, (also) round game at cards; (also **~servant**) female servant, as *house-, nurse-, lady's-,* **~**, **~of-all-work**; **~ of honour**, unmarried lady attending on queen or princess, (also) kind of cheesecake. Hence **~ISH'a**, **~Y'a** *n.* [*f. MAIDEN*; not same as OE *mægdh*, G *magd*]

mailan (*midahn'*), *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Parade-ground. [Pers.]

maid'en, *n. & a.* 1. Girl; spinster; (Hist.) kind of guillotine used at Edinburgh; = **~ over**. 2. *adj.* Unmarried; **~ name** (before marriage); (of female animals) un-coupled; (of horse) that has never won prize, (of race) open to such horses; (of plant) grown from seed; (of soldier, sword, etc.) untried; **~ as a side**, one at which there are no cases for trial; (Crick.) **~ over** (in which no runs are scored); **~ speech**, M.P.'s first speech in the House; **~hair**, kinds of fern with fine hairlike stalks & delicate fronds; **~head** (**~hēd**), virginity. Hence **~HOOD** *n.*, **~ISH'**, **~LIKE**, **~LY**, *as*. [OE *mægdēn* dim. corresp. to OE *mægdh*, Du. *maagd*, G *magd*, see -ER'] **maieut'ic** (*māi-*), *a.* (Of Socratic mode of inquiry) obstetric, serving to bring out a person's latent ideas into clear consciousness. [*f. Gk maieutikos f. maieumai* act as midwife (*maia*), see -IC]

mail, *n.* Armour composed of rings or chain-work, defensive armour for the body, as *chain, plate, ring, ~*. [*f. F maille f. l. macula* spot, mesh]

mail', *v.t.* Clothe (as) with mail; *the ~ed fist*, (fig.) physical force. [*f. prec.*]

mail, *n. & v.t.* 1. Bag of letters for conveyance by post; this system of conveyance, the post, (esp. for foreign letters); *the ~*, all that is so conveyed on one occasion; **~ (train)**, train carrying this;

|| ~cart, cart for carrying ~ by road, (also) light vehicle for carrying children; ~coach, (now) = ~cart, (formerly) stage-coach for entire conveyance of ~; ~order, order for goods sent by post (~order firm, firm doing business on this system). 2. v.t. Send (letters etc.) by post. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *male* bag, of Teut. orig.]

main, v.t. Mutilate, cripple, (lit. & fig.). [ME *maynhe* f. OF *mahaigrier*, etym. dub.]

main¹, n. (In game of hazard) number (5, 6, 7, 8, or 9) called by caster before dice are thrown; match between cooks. (?)

main², n. Physical force (only in *with might & ~*); SPANISH ~; (poet.) high sea; in the ~, for the most part; principal channel, duct, etc., for water, sewage, etc. [OE *mægen*, see MAY v.]

main³, a. 1. Exerted to the full, as *by ~ force*; chief in size or extent, as *the ~ body* (of army etc.); principal, most important, as *the ~ point* (in argument), || ~line (of railway), whence ~LY² adv.; *have an eye to the ~ chance* (one's own interests). 2. (naut.). ~brace (attached to ~yard, esp. *splice the ~brace*, serve extra rum ration); ~deck, (in man-of-war) deck next below spar deck, (in merchantman) upper deck between poop & fore-castle; ~mast, principal mast; ~sail (-sail, -sl), (in square-rigged vessel) sail that is bent to the ~yard, (in fore-&-aft rigged vessel) sail set on after part of ~mast; ~stay, stay from ~top to foot of foremast, (fig.) chief support; ~top, platform above head of lower ~mast; ~yard, yard on which ~sail is extended. 3. ~land, extent of land excluding the neighbouring islands; ~spring, principal spring of watch, clock, etc.; *M~Street, principal street of a town (esp. allus., as M~street ideals). [prob. partly as prec., partly f. cogn. ON *megenn* strong]

maintain' (or *mén*-), v.t. Carry on, keep up, (war, contest, action at law, condition, position, attitude, relations, correspondence); cause (person etc.) to continue in (condition, possession of thing, etc.); support (life, one's state in life) by nourishment, expenditure, etc.; furnish (one-self, children) with means of subsistence; keep (road etc.) in repair; back up (cause, party); assert as true (opinion, statement, *that*). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. F *maintenir* f. L phr. *manu tenere* hold in the hand]

mainténance, n. Maintaining; enough to support life; *cap of ~*, cap, hat, worn as symbol of official dignity or carried before sovereign etc.; (Law) offence of aiding a party in litigation without lawful cause. [F (as prec., see -ANCE)]

maison(n)ette' (-s), n. Small house; part of a house let separately (not necessarily all on one floor); [F' (-na-), dim. of *maison* house]

maitre d'hôtel (mâtr dôtél'), n. Major-domo; hotel manager. [F, = house-master]

maize, n. Indian corn, its grain. [f. Sp. *maiz*, of Cuban orig.]

maizén'a, n. Maize starch prepared for use as food. [f. prec.; P]

majés'tíc, a. Possessing grandeur, imposing. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. foll. + -ic]

máj'estý, n. Impressive stateliness of aspect, bearing, language, etc.; sovereign power; (in speaking to or of sovereign) (*Your, His, Her, M~, you, he, she, as Your M~ forgets that with the best of intentions it is scarcely in your M~s (or your) power to miss your train*); representation of God (the Father or Son) enthroned within aureole. [f. F *majesté* f. L *majestatem* (as MAJOR², see -TY)]

Mäjlis'n, n. Persian parliament. [Pers.]

majól'ica, maio- (-yó-), n. Kinds of glazed & ornamented Italian ware; modern imitation of these. [It. (*mai-*), perh. f. *Majorca* (earlier *Majolica*)]

máj'or¹, n. Officer next below Lieutenant-colonel & above captain (also in army sl. for *sergeant* ~). Hence ~SHIP n. [F, short for *sergent-major*]

máj'or², a. & n. 1. Greater (not foll. by *than*) of two things, classes, etc.; ~PROPHETS; ~epilepsy, epilepsy proper; ~suit (Bridge), spades or hearts; (Log.) ~term (that enters into predicate of conclusion of syllogism), ~premiss (containing ~term); ~axis of conic section (passing through the foci); (Mus., of intervals) greater by chromatic semitone than minor intervals, as ~third, (of keys) in which scale has a ~third; ~part, majority (of); (Mil.) ~general (see OFFICER), SERGEANT-~; bugle, drum, pipe, trumpet, ~ (head bugler etc. of unit); || (in schools) *Brown, Smith*, ~ (the elder or first to enter school); of full age. 2. n. Person of full age; (Log., ellipt. for) ~term or premiss (*I deny your ~*); ~dóm'ó (pl. -os), chief official of Italian or Spanish princely household, (loosely) house-steward. [L, compar. of *magnus* great]

majó'ritý, n. 1. Greater number or part (of); *the ~*, the dead, esp. *join the ~*, die; *absolute ~* of votes, more than half number of electors or actual voters; number by which votes cast on one side exceed those on other. 2. Full age, as *attained his ~*. 3. Office of MAJOR². [f. F *majorité* f. med. L *majoritatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

majús'cúlje, a. & n. (palaeogr.). Large (letter), whether capital or uncial. Hence ~AR¹ a. [F, f. L *majuscula* (littera) letter, dim. of MAJOR²]

máke¹, v.t. & i. (máde). 1. Construct, frame, as *God made man* (a rational creature), *bees ~ cells of wax*, *you were made for this work*; *pipes are made* (constructed)

of clay. 2. ~ GOOD, SURR. 3. Compose, draw up, (book, will, document). 4. Prepare (tea, coffee, beds); ~ HAY; ~ (arrange & light materials for) a fire. 5. Cause to exist, bring about, (disturbance, sport, noise, one's mark in the world, a corner in wheat); ~ NO BONES; ~ fun, game, of, trifle with, treat with ridicule; ~ (conclude treaty of) peace; ~ (give) place, room, way (for others); ~ way, progress. 6. Result in, as it ~s a difference; 'find' ~s (becomes) in the past tense 'found'. 7. Establish, enact, (distinctions, rules, laws); ~ FRIENDS. 8. Get together (a HOUSE¹, quorum); ~ a bag, kill number of game; ~ a book, arrange series of bets on some event; ~ WATER¹. 9. ~ a habit of it, cause it to become one, so ~ an EXAMPLE¹, exhibition, fool, beast (of oneself, person); ~ a night of it, carry it (festivity etc.) on through the night. 10. ~ of, conclude to be the meaning or character of (can you ~ anything of it?; what am I to ~ of your behaviour?); ~ much, little, the best, etc., of, derive much etc. advantage from, (also) attach much etc. importance to, so ~ LIGHT¹ of; ~ a HASH¹ of. 11. Entertain, feel, (doubt, scruple, of, about); ~ HEAD¹ or tail of. 12. (Naut.) discern, come in sight of, (also) arrive at; (sl.) catch (a train etc.); ~ it, succeed in traversing a certain distance, (fig.) be successful. 13. Amount to, as 2 & 2 ~ 4; constitute, as one swallow does not ~ a summer; form, be counted as, (this ~s the tenth time; will you ~ one of the party?); serve for, as this ~s pleasant reading. 14. Become, turn out to be, as she will ~ a good wife. 15. Gain, acquire, (money, a living, one's fortune); (Cards) win (trick), play (card) to advantage, (also) shuffle (cards, or abs.). 16. Proceed (towards etc.). 17. ~ sail, set sail, (also) spread additional sail. 18. Secure the advancement of, cf. MADE; ~ or mar, cause success or ruin of. 19. Cause to be, as ~ it HOT, ~ oneself a martyr, ~ oneself SCARCE, ~ him a duke; convert into. 20. Consider to be, (what do you ~ the time?; I ~ it 5 miles). 21. Cause, compel, (without to in act.), as ~ him repeat it, but he was made to repeat it. 22. ~ believe, pretend (to do, that); ~ do, manage with (something) as an inferior or temporary substitute; what bird do you ~ (consider) that to be?; he ~s Richard die (represents him as having died) in 1028. 23. Wage (war). 24. Execute (bodily movement, bow, FACE¹, LEG). 25. Perform (journey etc., & with many nn. expr. vbl action, as acquisition, attempt, blunder, start, venture); ~ (eat) a good breakfast; ~ HEAD¹, LOVE. 26. Accomplish (distance, knots, etc.). 27. ~ as if one had, pretend one has; ~ BOLD, FREE¹, HERRY. 28. (Of flood or ebb tide) begin to flow or ebb. 29. ~ after (arch.), pursue; ~ against, be unfavourable to; ~ (hasten)

away; ~ away with, get rid of, kill, squander; ~ for, conduce to (happiness etc.), confirm (view), proceed towards, assail; ~ off, run away, decamp, (often with stolen goods etc.); ~ out, draw up, write out, (list, document, cheque), get together with difficulty, as articles put in to ~ out a volume, (try to) prove, as how do you ~ that out?, you ~ me out (to be) a hypocrite, understand, as I can't ~ him out, can't ~ out what he wants, decipher (hand-writing etc.), distinguish by sight, as I made out a figure in the distance; ~ over, transfer possession of (thing to person), esp. by formal agreement; ~ up, supply (deficiency), complete (amount, party), compensate, as ~ up lost ground, ~ up for lost time, we must ~ it up to (compensate) him somehow, compound, put together, (medicine, hay into bundles, butter, etc.), sew together (coat etc.), get together (company, sum of money), arrange (type) in pages, compile (list, account, document), connect (story), (of parts) compose (whole), prepare (actor) for his part by dressing, false hair, etc., apply cosmetics (to), arrange (marriage etc.), settle (dispute), ~ it up, be reconciled, ~ up one's mind to, decide to (do), resolve upon (course); ~ up to, court, curry favour with. 30. || ~'bate (arch.), breeder of strife; ~ believe, pretence; ~ peace, peacemaker; ~'shift, temporary substitute or device; ~ up, disguise of actor, cosmetics etc. used for this, making up of type, type made up; ~ weight, small quantity added to ~ up weight, (also fig. of persons), (fig.) unimportant point added to ~ case seem stronger. [loom.-WG: OE *macian*, Du. *maken*, G *machen*]

māke¹, n. (Of natural or manufactured thing) style of structure or composition; mental or moral disposition; *American* ~, made in America; is this your own ~ (made by you)?; on the ~ (sl.), intent on gain; (Electr.) making of contact, position in which this is made, esp. at ~; || ~ & mend (Naut.), a period of leisure or no fixed duties for the hands (orig. for work on their clothes). [f. prec.]

māk'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. the, our, etc., *M* ~, the Creator. [-ER¹]

māk'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: be the ~ of, ensure success or favourable development of; (pl.) earnings, profits; (pl.) essential qualities, as he has the ~s of a general; * (pl.) paper & tobacco for rolling a cigarette. [-ING¹]

māl-pref. = *F*mal¹. *L*mal¹ badly, in sense (1) bad(ly), as *maltrat*, (2) un-, as *maladroít*. **Malācc'a**, n. Town & district on Malay peninsula; ~ cane, rich-brown walking-cane, from stem of a palm.

māl'achite (-kit), n. Hydrous carbonate of copper, green mineral taking high polish. [f. OE *malochite* (Gk *malakhs* mallow, see -ITE¹)]

māl'aco- in comb. = Gk *malakos* soft, as: ~*derm*, soft-skinned animal (esp. of sea-anemones & of one division of reptiles); ~*logist*, ~*logy*, (-ōl'), student, science, of molluscs; ~*ptery'gian* a. & n., soft-finned (fish); ~*stracan* (-ōs'), member of one order of crustaceans.

māl'adju'st'ment, n. Faulty adjustment. [MAL-]

māl'administrā'tion, n. Faulty administration. [MAL-]

māl'adroit, a. Clumsy, bungling. Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [F (MAL- + ADROIT)]

māl'ad'y, n. Ailment, disease, (lit. & fig.). [f. F *maladie* f. *malade* sick f. LL *male habitus* (male ill + *habitus* p.p. of *habere* have)]

māl'a fīd'ē, adv. & a. (Acting, done) in bad faith. [L]

Māl'aga, n. Seaport in S. Spain; white wine from this.

Māl'agās'y, a. & n. (Language, inhabitant) of Madagascar. [used in native lang., but prob. of foreign orig.]

māl'aise (-z), n. Bodily discomfort, esp. without development of specific disease. [F (OF *mal* bad + *aise* EASE)]

māl'amūte, māl'e-, n. An Eskimo dog. [name of Alaskan Eskimo tribe]

māl'anders, māl'en-, n. pl. Scabby eruption behind knee in horses. [f. F *malandre* f. L *malandria*]

māl'apert, a. & n. (arch.). Impudent, saucy, (person). [OF (MAL- + *apert* = *expert* EXPERT)]

māl'aprop'ism, n. Ludicrous misuse of word, esp. in mistake for one resembling it (e.g. a nice derangement of epithets for arrangement of epithets). Hence *māla-prop'ian* a. [f. Mrs *Malaprop* in Sheridan's *Rivals*]

māl'apropos' (-pō), adv., a., & n. (Thing) inopportunately (said, done, or happening). [f. F *mal à propos* (mal ill, see APROPOS)]

māl'ar, a. & n. (Bone) of the cheek. [f. L *mala* jaw, see -AR¹]

mālār'ia, n. Kinds of intermittent & remittent fever caused by bite of mosquito, which conveys the germs; unwholesome atmosphere caused by exhalations of marshes, to which these fevers were formerly referred. Hence ~*ial*, ~*ian*, ~*ious*, aa. [f. It. *mal'aria* bad air]

Malay', a. & n. (Language, member) of race predominating in Malaya & Eastern Archipelago; ~ *fool*, large domestic variety. Hence ~*an* a. & n. [f. native *malayu*]

Mālāyā'lam (-yah), n. Language of Malabar. [native]

māl'contēt, a. & n. Discontented (person), (one) inclined to rebellion. [OF (MAL-)]

māl de mer' (māt), n. Seasickness. [F]

māle, a. & n. 1. Of the sex that begets offspring or performs the fecundating function (used of persons or animals, & of plants whose flowers contain only fecun-

dating organs, also of plants to which sex was once attributed on account of colour etc., as ~ *fern*); of men or ~ animals; (of parts of machinery etc.) designed to enter or fill the corresponding FEMALE part, as ~ *screw*; ~ (masculine) *rhyme*. 2. n. ~ person or animal. [OF, f. L *masculus* (mas male, see -CULA)]

mālē- in comb. = L *male* ill.

mālédic'tion, n. Curse. So ~*ory* a. [f. L *maledictio* f. MALE(dicere dict-speak), see -ION]

māl'ēfact'or, n. Criminal; evil-doer, esp. opp. to *benefactor*. So **māl'ēfac'tion** n. [L, f. MALE(facere fact-do), see -OR²]

māl'ēfic, a. (Of magical arts etc.) harmful, baleful. [f. L MALE(ficus -fic)]

māl'ēfic'ent, a. Hurtful (to); criminal. So ~*ence* n. [f. L altered stem of *male-ficus* MALEFIC]

māl'ēv'ol'ent, a. Desirous of evil to others. Hence or cogn. ~*ence* n., ~*ently*² adv. [f. OF *malivolent* f. L MALE(volens part. of *velle* wish)]

māl'feas' (ance (-ēz-), n. (law). Evil-doing, esp. official misconduct. So ~*ant* a. & n. [f. OF *mal'faissant* part. of *faire* do f. L *facere*], see -ANCE]

māl'form'ā'tion, n. Faulty formation. So ~*ed*¹ (-m'd') a. [MAL-]

māl'ic, a. (ohom.). ~ *acid* (derived from apple & other fruits). [f. F *malique* f. L *malum* apple, see -IC]

māl'ice, n. Active ill-will; desire to tease; bear ~ (to), cherish vindictive feelings (against); (Law) wrongful intention, esp. as increasing guilt of certain offences, esp. murder; ~ *PREPENSE*. So **māl'ic'ious** (-shus) a., **māl'ic'iously**¹ (-shus-) adv. [F, f. L *malitia* (malus bad, see -IC)]

māl'ign¹ (-in), a. (Of things) injurious; (of diseases) = MALIGNANT; (rare) malevolent. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. OF *maligne* f. L *malignus* (malus bad, cf. BENIGN)]

māl'ign² (-in), v.t. Speak ill of, slander. [f. OF *malignier* f. L *malignare* contrive maliciously, as *preo*.]

māl'ig'n'ant, a. & n. 1. (Of disease) very virulent or infectious (now usu. denoting definite variety of disease, as ~*ant* cholera); harmful; feeling or showing intense ill-will. 2. (hist.). Supporter of, supporting, Charles I against Parliament. Hence ~*ancy* n., ~*antly*² adv. [f. LL part. as *preo*.]

māl'ig'n'ity, n. Deep-rooted ill-will; (of diseases) malignant character. [f. OF *maliginité* f. L *malignitatem* (as MALIGN¹, see -ITY)]

māl'ing'er (-ngg-), v.i. Pretend, produce, or protract, illness in order to escape duty (esp. of soldiers & sailors). Hence ~*er*¹ n. [f. F *malingre* sickly, etym. dub.]

māl'ism, n. Doctrine that it is a bad world. [f. L *malus* bad + -ISM]

māl'ison (-sn, -sn), n. (arch.). Curse. [L OF *malison* MALIGNECTION]

mall (mawl), *n.* Sheltered walk as promenade, esp. the *M* (mall) in St James's Park, London, orig. alley for game of **FALL-MALL**; (Hist.) this game, alley for it, mallet for it. [-MAUL¹]

mall'ard, *n.* Wild drake or duck; its flesh. [f. OF *mal*(*hart*, etym. dub.)]

mall'éable, *a.* (Of metals etc.) that can be hammered or pressed out of form without tendency to return to it or to fracture; (fig.) adaptable, pliable. Hence **malléability** *n.* [OF, f. L *malleare* hammer (*malleus*), see -BLE]

mall'émück, **möll'ymawk**, *n.* Fulmar, petrel, or similar bird. [f. Du. *mallemok* (*mal* foolish + *mok* gull)]

mall'ët, *n.* Hammer, usu. of wood; implement for striking croquet or polo ball. [f. F *maillet*, dim. as MAUL¹]

mall'éus, *n.* Bone of ear transmitting vibrations of tympanum to incus. [L, = hammer]

mall'ow (-ô), *n.* Wild plant with hairy stems & leaves & purple flowers; garden varieties of this. [OE *meakwe* f. L *malva*, prob. conn. w. Gk *malakhê*]

malm (mahm), *n.* Soft chalky rock; loamy soil from disintegration of this; fine-quality brick made originally from ~, marl, or similar chalky clay. [OE *mealm*, cf. Iscl. *málmr*, Da. *malm*, f. *mal*-grind]

málmais'on (-z-), *n.* Kind of carnation. [M-, palace of empress Josephine]

malmsey (mahm'zi), *n.* Strong sweet wine from Greece, Spain, etc. [f. med. L *malmasia* corrupt. of Gk *Monembasia*, Napoli di Monembasia, in the Morea]

málnútr'ion, *n.* Insufficient nutrition. [MAL-]

málód'orous, *a.* Evil-smelling. [MAL-]

málprác'tice, *n.* Wrong-doing; (Law) physician's improper or negligent treatment of patient; (Law) illegal action for one's own benefit while in position of trust. [MAL-]

malt¹ (mawit), *n.* Barley or other grain prepared for brewing or distilling; *extract of* ~ (as food for invalids); ~ *liquor* (made from ~ by fermentation, not distillation, e.g. beer, stout); ~-house (for preparing & storing ~); ~-worm, (fig.) toper. [com.-Teut.: OE *mealt*, Du. *mout*, G *malz*, cogn. w. OHG *malz* soft]

malt² (mawit), *v.t. & i.* Convert (grain) into malt; (of seeds) come to condition of malt from germination's being checked by drought. [f. prec.]

Mal'ta (maw-), *n.* Island in Mediterranean; ~ fever, complicated fever common in ~.

Maltese (mawlitza), *a. & n.* (pl. same). (Language, native) of Malta; ~ cat, dog, fancy kinds; ~ crosses¹. [-MEN]

mál'tha, *n.* Cement of pitch & wax or other ingredients. [L f. Gk]

Málthús'ian (-z-), *a. & n.* (Follower) of T. R. Malthus (d. 1835) who advocated moral restraint (pop. understood as

abstention from marriage) as means of checking increase of population. Hence ~ISM (-zhan-) *n.* [-IAN]

mal'ting (maw-), *n.* In vbl senses; also, malt-house. [-ING¹]

mal'tose (maw-), *n.* (chem.). Sugar produced from starch-paste by action of malt. [F (MALT + OSE²)]

máltreat¹, *v.t.* Ill-treat. So ~MENT *n.* [f. F *mal*(*traiter* TREAT)]

maltster (mawl(t)'ster), *n.* One who makes malt. [-STER]

málvā'ceous (-shus), *a.* Of the genus Mallow. [f. LL *malvaceus* (as MALLOW, -ACEOUS)]

málversā'tion, *n.* Corrupt behaviour in position of trust; corrupt administration (of public money etc.). [F, f. *malverser* f. L *male* badly + *versari* behave frequent, of *vertere* vers- turn, see -ATION]

mām'ba, *n.* (Kinds of) venomous African tree snake. [f. Kafir *m'namba*]

mām'elon, *n.* Rounded eminence. [F, = nipple f. *mamelle* breast f. MAMILLA]

Mām'éluke (-ôök), *n.* (hist.). Member of military body (orig. Caucasian slaves) that seized throne of Egypt in 1254; (in Mohammedan countries) slave. [ult. f. Arab. *mamluk* slave (*malaka* possess)]

mamill'a, *n.* Nipple of female breast; nipple-shaped organ etc. So **mām'il-lary**¹, **mām'illatē**²(2), **mām'illatē**³, ~IFORM, aa. [L, dim. of MAMMA¹]

mam(m)a'¹ (-ah), *n.* Mother (used esp. by children). [Instinctive]

māmm'a'², *n.* (pl. ~ae). Milk-secreting organ of female in mammals; corresponding structure in males. Hence ~ARY¹, **māmmir'ERous**, ~IFORM, aa. [L]

māmm'al, *n.* One of foll. class. [f. foll.]

māmmāl'ta, *n.* pl. Class of animals having mammae for nourishment of young. Hence **māmmāl'ian** *a. & n.*, **māmmāl'ogist**, **māmmāl'oer**, nn. [neut. pl. of LL *mammalis* (as MAMMA³, see -AL)]

māmmālif'ERous, *a.* (geol.). Containing mammalian remains. [f. prec. + -FERous]

māmmee', *n.* Tropical American tree with large yellow-pulped fruit. [f. Sp. *mamey* f. Haytian]

māmm'on, *n.* Wealth regarded as idol or evil influence; the worldly rich; *the ~ of unrighteousness*, wealth ill used or ill gotten. Hence ~ISM¹ *a.*, ~ISM, ~IST, ~ITE, nn. [f. LL *mamona* f. Gk *mamónas* f. Aram. *mamon* riches; see *Matt.* vi. 24, *Luke* xvi. 9-13]

māmm'oth, *n. & a.* 1. Large extinct elephant. 2. adj. Huge. [f. Russ. *mamot*, etym. dub.]

māmm'y, *n.* Child's word for mother; *coloured woman in charge of white children. [f. *mam* (instinctive) + -Y¹]

mān¹, *n.* (pl. *mén*). 1. Human being (*a ~ & a brother*, fellow ~); (in indefinite or general application) person, as *any, no, ~, some, few, men*; (*all*) to a ~, all without

exception. 2. The human race, as ~ *wants but little here below*. 3. Inner, outer, ~, spiritual, material, parts of ~, (joc.) interior, esp. stomach, exterior, of ~; NEW, OLD, ~. 4. Adult male, opp. to woman, boy, or both; ~ & boy (adv.), from boyhood upwards. 5. (As impatient or lively vocative) nonsense, ~ I hurry up, ~ (alive) !; (joc. or endearing) little ~, young boy. 6. One, as *what can a ~ do in such a case?* 7. Individual (male) person, as ~ for ~, between ~ & ~, 5/- per ~; as a ~, viewed simply in regard to his personal character; *if you want noise, he is your ~* (can supply you); *I'm your ~* (accept your offer etc.); *be one's own ~*, be free to act, (also) be in full possession of one's faculties, senses, etc.; *every ~ JACK*! 8. (In comb., denoting one who follows profession, uses implement, trades in article, etc.) clergy~, post~, brake~, pen~, rag-&-bone~, BEST!, HANDY, ~. 9. ~ eminently endowed with manly qualities, as *be a, play the, ~*. 10. Husband, in ~ & wife. 11. (Hist.) vassal; ~servant, valet; workman, as *the masters locked out the men*. 12. (Usu. pl.) soldiers, esp. common soldiers. 13. Piece in game of chess, draughts, etc. 14. ~ of STRAW. 15. (In comb.) ship, as ~-of-war, armed ship belonging to a country's navy, INDIA~, MERCHANT~. 16. ~ of the world; ~ Friday, servile follower, factotum, (name given by Robinson Crusoe to his servant); ~ about town, || London society idler; ~at-arms, soldier, esp. heavy-armed & mounted; ~ (male) child; ~eater, cannibal, biting horse, ~eating shark or tiger; ~handle, move by force of ~ alone, (sl.) handle roughly; ~hole, opening in floor, sewer, etc., for ~ to pass through; ~ in the moon, semblance of ~ in moon, esp. as type of imaginary person; *the ~ in (*or on) the street*, the ordinary ~ (esp. as opp. experts on the matter in question); ~-MILLINER; ~ of Kent (see KENTISH); ~ of LETTERS; ~power, amount of men available for military or other service; ~servant, male servant; ~slaughter, slaughter of human beings, (Law) criminal homicide without malice aforethought; ~trap (for catching men, esp. trespassers). Hence ~LESS a. [com.-Teut.: OE & Du. *man*, G *mann*]

mān', v.t. (-nn-). Furnish (fort, ship, etc.) with men for service or defence; (Naut.) place men at (part of ship); fill (post); fortify spirits or courage of (esp. oneself). [OE *mannian*, as prec.]

mān'acle, n. (usu. pl.), & v.t. 1. Fetter (prop. for the hand; also fig.). 2. v.t. Fetter with ~s. [f. OF *manicle* handcuff f. L *manicula* dim. of *manus* hand]

mān'age', n. (arch.). Training of horse; trained movements of horse, esp. short gallop; riding-school. [f. It. *maneggio*, as *foil*.]

mān'age', v.t. & i. Handle, wield, (tool etc.); conduct (undertaking etc.); control (household, institution, State); take charge of (cattle etc.); subject (person, animal) to one's control; gain one's ends with (person etc.) by flattery etc., whence **mān'aging'** (-nij-) a.; contrive (*to do, often iron., as he ~d to muddle it*); succeed in one's aim (often with inadequate material etc.); (with can or be able to) cope with, make proper use of, as *can you ~ another slice?* Hence ~ABILITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY a., ~ABLY² adv., (-ija-). [f. It. *maneggiare* f. vulg. L ⁺*manidiare* (*manus* hand)]

mān'agement (-ijm-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: trickery, deceitful contrivance; the ~, governing body, board of directors, etc. [-MENT]

mān'ager (-nij-), n. Person conducting a business, institution, etc.; || member of either House of Parliament appointed with others for some duty in which both Houses are concerned; good, bad, etc., ~ (of money, household affairs, etc.); || (Law) person appointed, usu. by Court of Chancery, to manage a business for benefit of creditors etc. Hence ~ESS¹, ~SHIP, nn., **mānager'**IAL a. [-ER¹]

mān'akin, n. (Kinds of) brightly-coloured small tropical American bird. [var. of MANIKIN]

mānatee', n. Large aquatic herbivorous mammal, sea-cow. [f. Sp. *manatí* f. Carib *manattou*]

Mān'chēster, n. || ~ goods, cotton textiles (sold in ~ department of a shop); ~ School, adherents of the doctrines of free trade & laissez-faire (name given by Disraeli to Cobden & Bright & their followers). [place]

mānchineel', n. W.-Ind. tree with poisonous milky sap & acid fruit. [f. F *mancenille* f. Sp. *manzan(illa)* f. L *matiana* kind of apple f. Roman gens *Matia*]

mān'ciple, n. Officer who buys provisions for college, inn of court, etc. [OF, f. L *mancipium* = (in med. L) office of *manceps* buyer (*manus* hand + *capere* take)]

Māncū'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Manchester; (member) of Manchester Grammar School. [f. L *Manacūnium* Manchester, -AN]

-mancy, suf. f. OF *mancie* f. LL f. Gk *manteia* divination, = divination by ~.

Māndae'an, a. & n. (Member, language) of agnostic sect surviving in Mesopotamia. [f. Aram. *mandā* knowledge]

māndām'us, n. || Judicial writ issued from King's Bench Division as command to inferior court. [L, = we command]

mān'darin', n. Chinese official in any of 9 grades; standard spoken Chinese; party leader who lags behind the times; nodding toy figure in Chinese costume; ~ duck, small Chinese duck noted for its bright plumage. [f. Port. *mandarin* f. Malay f. Hind. *mantri* f. Skr. *mantrin* counsellor]

mǎn'darin¹, -ine (-ín), n. Small flat deep-coloured orange; colour of this (got from coal-tar); a liqueur. [F' (-ine); perh. f. prec. w. ref. to his yellow robes]

mǎn'datǎry¹, n. (law). One to whom a mandate is given (for spec. sense see foll.). [f. L. *mandatarius* (foll., -ary¹)]

mǎn'datē¹, n. Judicial or legal command from superior; commission to act for another, esp. one from League of Nations to a State (the *mandatary*) to govern a people not qualified for independence; (poet.) command; papal rescript; (Law) contract by which mandatary undertakes to perform gratuitously some service in respect of thing committed to him; (after F *mandat*) political authority supposed to be given by electors to (party in) parliament. [f. L. *mandatum*, neut. p.p. of *mandare* command (*manus* hand + *dare* give)]

mǎndǎtē¹, v.t. Commit (State etc. to mandatary). [back formation f. MANDATARY]

mǎn'datǎry¹, a. & n. 1. Of, conveying, a command. 2. n. = MANDATARY. [f. LL *mandatorius* (as prec., see -ORY)]

mǎn'dible¹, n. Jaw, esp. lower jaw in mammals & fishes; upper or lower part of bird's beak; (in insects) either half of upper pair of jaws. So **mǎndīb'ūlar¹**, **mǎndīb'ūlar²** (2), aa. [f. LL *mandibula* (*mandere* masticate)]

mǎndǒl¹, -ōl¹, n. Kind of mandolin or lute. [It., var. of PANDORA]

mǎn'dolin¹(e), n. Musical instrument of lute kind with paired metal strings, played with plectrum. [F' (-ine), f. It. *mandolino* dim. of prec.]

mǎndrǎg'ora¹, n. = foll., esp. as type of narcotic (Shak. *Othello* III. iii. 330). [LL, f. Gk *mandragoras*]

mǎn'drǎke¹, n. Poisonous plant with emetic & narcotic properties, with root thought to resemble human form & to shriek when plucked. [ME *mandrag(o)re*, shortened f. prec.]

mǎn'drel¹, -il, n. (In lathe) axis to which work is fixed while turned; cylindrical rod round which metal or other material is forged or shaped; (dial.) miner's pick. [?]

mǎn'drill¹, n. Large, hideous, & ferocious baboon. [prob. MAN¹ + DRILL¹]

mǎn'dūclǎte¹, v.t. Chew, eat. So ~'TION n., ~'ATORY a. [f. L. *manducare* (*mandere* chew), see -ATE¹]

mǎne¹, n. Long hair on neck of horse, lion, etc. (also fig. of person). Hence (-)MǎNĒD¹ (-nd), ~'LESS (-nl-), aa. [OE *manu*, cf. Du. *mane*, G *mähne*, f. OTeut. *mand* neck]

manēge¹, -ege, (mǎnǎzh¹), n. Riding-school; movements of trained horse; horsemanship. [F' (-ège), as MANAGE¹]

mǎn'ēs¹ (-s), n. pl. Deified souls of departed ancestors; shade of departed person, as object of reverence. [L]

mǎn'ful¹, a. Brave, resolute. Hence ~'ZY¹ adv., ~'NESS n. [MAN¹ + -FUL]

mǎn'gabey¹ (-ā), n. African genus of monkey. [M~, region of Madagascar]

mǎng'anese¹ (-nggānēz), n. Black mineral used in glass-making etc.; metallic element of which this is the oxide. Hence **mǎngānē'sian¹** (-nggānēz-), **mǎngān'io¹** (-ngg-), aa. [f. F *manganèse*, corrupt. of MAGNESIA]

mǎnge¹ (-j), n. Skin disease in hairy & woolly animals, caused by an arachnid parasitic; (loosely) dirty condition of skin. [ME *manjeve* f. OF *manjue* [toth f. *manjuer* (mod. *manger*) eat (as MANDUCATE)]

|| **mǎng'el¹** (-wǔr'el), **mǎng'old¹** (-wǔr'el), (-ng-), n. Large kind of beet, used as cattle food. [G (-gold, corrupt. -gel), f. *mangold* beet + *wurzel* root]

mǎn'ger¹ (-j-), n. Box, trough, (in stable etc. for horses or cattle to eat from; DOG in the ~. [f. F *mangeoire* f. vulg. L. ⁺*manducatoria* (as MANDUCATE, see -ORY)]

mangle¹ (mǎng'gl), n., & v.t. 1. Machine of two or more cylinders for rolling & pressing washed clothes. 2. v.t. Press (clothes) in ~. ((vb f. n.)) f. Du. *mangel* f. Gk as MANGONEL]

mangle² (mǎng'gl), v.t. Hack, lacerate, by blows; cut roughly so as to disfigure; spoil (quotation, text, etc.) by gross blunders, disguise (words) by mispronouncing. [f. AF *mahangler*, prob. frequent. of *mahaignier* MAIM]

mǎng'o¹ (-nggō), n. (pl. ~es). (Indian tree bearing) fleshy fruit yellowish-red in colour, eaten ripe or used green for pickles etc.; ~-fish, golden-coloured Indian fish; ~-trick (in which ~-tree appears to spring up & bear fruit in few hours). [f. Port. *manga* f. Tamil *mankay* (*man* ~-tree + *kay* fruit)]

mangold¹ (-wurzel). See MANGEL.

mǎng'onel¹ (-ngg-), n. (hist.). Military engine for casting stones etc. [OF, dim. f. LL *mango-onis* f. Gk *magganon*]

mǎng'osteen¹ (-ngg-), n. (E.-Indian tree bearing) fruit with thick red rind & white juicy pulp. [f. Malay *manngustan*]

mǎng'rōve¹ (-ngg-), n. Tropical tree or shrub, bark of which is used in medicine & tanning. [?]

mǎn'gly¹ (-ji), a. Having the mange; squalid, shabby. Hence ~'ILY¹ adv., ~'INESS n. [f. MANGE + -Y¹]

mǎnhǎtt'an¹, n. Cocktail made of vermouth, whisky, etc. [M~, in N. York]

mǎn'hōōd¹, n. State of being a man (in any sense); ~-suffrage (granted to all male citizens of lawful age not disqualified by crime, insanity, etc.); manliness, courage; the men of a country. [MAN¹ + -HOOD]

mǎn'ia¹, n. Mental derangement marked by excitement, hallucination, & violence; great enthusiasm (for thing, doing). [L f. Gk. =madness (*mainomai* be mad, st. man-)]

-mānia, suf. denoting scientifically a special type of madness (*klepto*~, *magulo*~)

~, *nympho*~); also (pop.) eager pursuit (*biblio*~) or admiration (*Anglo*~). Hence personal suf. *-maniac* (cf. -PHOBIA). [as prec.]

mān'iac, a. & n. (Person) affected with mania, raving mad(man). Hence **mani'acal** a., **mani'acal'y** adv. [f. LL *maniacus* (as MANIA, see -AO)]
-**māniac**, suf. See -MANIA.

Mānichēe' (-k-), n. Adherent of religious system (3rd to 5th c.) that represented Satan as coeternal with God. Hence **Mānich(a)e'AN** a. & n., **Mān'ich(a)eism** n., (-kō-). [f. LL f. Gk *Manichaios*, founder of sect, living in Persia]

mān'icū'le, n., & v.t. 1. (One who undertakes) treatment of hands & finger-nails as profession. 2. v.t. Apply ~ treatment to (hands, person). Hence ~**IST** n. [(v b f. n.) F (*L manus* hand + *cura* care)]

mān'ifest', n. List of cargo for use of Customs officers. [f. F *manifeste* (as MANIFEST²)]

mān'ifest', a. Clear, obvious, to eye or mind. Hence ~**LY** adv. [f. L *manifestus*, perh. f. *manus* hand, 'festus struck f. root of DEFEND]

mān'ifest', v.t. & i. Show plainly to eye or mind; be evidence of, prove; display, evince, (quality, feeling) by one's acts etc.; (of thing) reveal *itself*; record in ship's manifest; (of government or political party) take measures, hold public meeting, etc., as public expression of opinion; (of ghost) appear. So ~**A'TION** n., ~**ATIVE** (-ēs-) a. [f. F *manifeste* f. L *manifestare* (as prec.)]

mān'ifēs'tō, n. (pl. ~s). Public declaration by sovereign, State, or body of individuals, making known past actions & motives of actions announced as forth coming. [It., as MANIFEST²]

mān'ifōld', a. & n. 1. Having various forms, applications, etc.; performing several functions at once; many & various, as ~ *vezations*; ~ *writer*, carbon copying-apparatus. 2. n. (mech.). Pipe or chamber with several openings. Hence ~**LY** adv., ~**NES** n. [com.-Teut.: OE *manigfeald*, MDu. *menichvout*, G *manigfalt*: (MANY + FOLD)]

mān'ifōld', v.t. Multiply copies of (letters etc.) as by MANIFOLD¹ writer. [OE *manigfealdian* multiply, as prec.]

mān'ikin, n. Little man, dwarf; artist's lay figure; anatomical model of the body; small tropical American bird. [f. Du. *manneken*, dim. of MAN¹]

manill'a', n. Metal bracelet used by African tribes as medium of exchange. [Sp.; dim. of L *manus* hand or f. L *monilia* pl. of *monile* collar]

Manill'a', -**il'a'**, n. Capital of Philippine Islands; (also ~ *hemp*) fibrous material for ropes, matting, etc.; oberoot made in ~; ~ *paper*, brown wrapping-paper made from ~ *herap* etc. [native (-ila)]

manill'e', n. Second best trump or honour in quadrille & ombre. [corrupt. of Sp. *malilla* dim. of *mala* bad f. L *malus*]

mān'īōc, n. Plant cassava; meal made from it. [f. Tupi *mandioca*]

mān'iple, n. 1. (Rom. Ant.) subdivision of legion, containing 120 or 60 men. 2. Eucharistic vestment, strip about 3 feet long hanging from left arm. [OF, f. L *manipulus* (*manus* hand + *pl*-weak form of root *ple*- fill)]

manip'ulāte, v.t. Handle, treat, esp. with skill (material thing, question); manage (person) by dextrous (esp. unfair) use of influence etc. Hence or cogn. ~**A'TION**, ~**ATOR** (1, 2) nn., ~**ATIVE**, ~**ATORY**, aa. [prob. back formation f. *manipulation* (F, f. *manipuler* f. L as prec.)]

mān'itou (-ōō), n. (Amer. Ind.). Good or evil spirit; thing having supernatural power. [f. Algonquin *manito*, -*tu*]

mān'kind, n. 1. (-kind'). Human species. 2. (mān'). Male sex. [MAN + *KIND* n.]

mān'like, a. Having good or bad qualities of a man; (of woman) mannish. [-**LIKE**]

mān'lī'y, a. Having a man's virtues, courage, frankness, etc.; (of woman) having a man's qualities; (of things, qualities, etc.) befitting a man. Hence ~**INNESS** n. [-**LY**¹]

mānn'a, n. Substance supplied as food to Israelites (*Exod.* xvi); spiritual nourishment, esp. the Eucharist; sweet juice from ~*ash* & other plants, used as gentle laxative (~ *in tears*, *in sorts*, superior, inferior, kinds of this); ~*croup*, coarse granular wheat meal [Russ. *krupa* groats]. [LL f. Gk, f. Heb. *man*, explained as = *man hu?* what is it, but perh. = Arab. *mann* exudation of *Tamarix gallica*]

mānn'equin (or -kin), n. Person, usu. woman, employed by dressmakers etc. to wear & show off costumes. [F, = *lay figure*, f. Du. as MANIKIN]

mānn'er, n. Way a thing is done or happens, as *in*, *after*, *this* ~; (arch.) *in a ~ of speaking*, so to speak; (Gram.) *adverb of ~*, one that asks or tells how; *to the ~ born*, (Shak. *Ham.* 1. iv. 15) destined by birth to be subject to the custom, (pop.) naturally fitted for the position etc.; (pl.) modes of life, conditions of society; outward bearing; *the grand ~*, old-fashioned dignity; (pl.) *good*, *bad*, etc. behaviour in social intercourse, habits indicating good breeding, as *he has no ~s*, whence ~**LESS** a.; style in literature or art; mannerism; (arch.) kind, sort, as *what ~ of man is he?*; *all ~ of*, every kind of; *no ~ of right*, no right at all; *in a ~*, in some sense, to some extent. [f. OF *manière* f. pop. L *man(u)aria* fem. adj. as n. = mode of handling (*manus* hand, -**ARY**²)]

mānn'ered (-əd), a. *ill*, *vul*, *rough*, ~, having bad etc. manners; (of style, artist, writer) showing mannerism. [-**ED**¹]

männ'er|iam, n. Excessive addiction to a distinctive manner in art or literature; trick of style; trick of gesture or speech (esp. of an actor). Hence **~ism** n., **~is'tic** (AL) aa. [-ISM]

männ'er|ly, a. Well-mannered, polite. Hence **~NESS** n. [-LY¹]

männ'ish, a. (Of woman) masculine; characteristic of man as opp. to woman, as *what a ~ way to thread a needle!* Hence **~NESS** n. [-ISH¹]

männ'ite, n. (Also *out, away*) substance obtained from manna. Hence **männ'itose**² n. [f. MANNA + -ITE¹]

manœu'vere¹, *-euver, (-nōver, -nū-), n. Planned movement of troops or ships of war; deceptive or elusive movement; skilful plan; **MASS**² of ~. [F, f. LL *manopera*, as foll.]

manœu'vr|e², *-euver, (as prec.), v.i. & t. Perform, cause (troops) to perform, manoeuvres; employ artifice; force, drive, (person, thing, *into, out, away*, etc.) by contrivance; manipulate adroitly. Hence **~ER**¹ n. [f. F *manœuvrer* f. LL *manoperare* = L *manu operari* work by hand (*opus-eris* work)]

manôm'eter, n. Pressure gauge for gases & vapours. Hence **mânômêt'ric** a. [f. F *manomètre* (Gk *manos* thin, see -METER)]

manôn trôpp'ô, mus. direction appended to another. But not to excess. [It.]

mân'or, n. English territorial unit, orig. of nature of feudal lordship, now consisting of lord's demesne & of lands from whose holders he can exact certain fees etc.; *lord of the ~*, person, corporation, having rights of this; *~house*, his mansion. Hence **manô'r|al** a. [f. OF *manoir* (vb as n.) f. L *manêre* remain]

manqué (see Ap.), a. (after its n.). That might have been but is not, that has missed being, (*a Napoleon, comic actor, ~*). [F]

mân'sard, n. (Usu. *~ roof*) curb roof in which each face has two slopes, lower one steeper than upper. [f. F *mansarde* (F. M~, architect, d. 1666)]

mânse, n. Ecclesiastical residence, esp. Scottish Presbyterian minister's house. [f. med. L *mansus*, -sa, -sum, house (*manêre mans-* remain)]

mân'sion (-shn), n. Large residence (|| in pl. often of large buildings divided into flats); || *~house*, house of lord of manor or landed proprietor, official residence, esp. (the M~house) of Lord Mayor of London. [OF, f. L *mansionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

mân'suetûde (-swi-), n. (rare). Meekness, docility. [f. L *mansuetudo* (*mansuetus* tame f. *manus* hand, *suesco* be used)]

mân'tel, n. (Now usu. *~piece*) structure of wood, marble, etc., above & around fireplace; (usu. *~shelf*) shelf projecting from wall above fireplace; *~board*, wooden shelf (usu. draped) fixed upon

this; *~free*, beam across opening of fireplace. [var. of MANTLE¹]

mânt(e)'lét, n. Kinds of short mantle; bullet-proof screen for gunners. [OF (-el-), dim. as MANTLE¹]

mân'tic, a. Of divination. [f. Gk *manti-kos* (*mantis* prophet, see -ic)]

mântill'a, n. Large veil covering woman's hair & shoulders; small cape. [Sp., dim. of *manta* MANTLE¹]

mân'tis, n. Orthopterous insect; *praying ~*, kind that holds forelegs in position suggesting hands folded in prayer. [Gk, = prophet]

mântiss'a, n. Decimal part of logarithm. [L]

mân'tle¹, n. Woman's loose sleeveless cloak; (fig.) covering; fragile lace-like tube fixed round gas-jet to give incandescent light; outer fold of skin enclosing mollusc's viscera. [(1) OE *mentel*, (2) f. OF *mantel*, both f. L *mantellum* cloak]

mân'tle², v.t. & i. Clothe (as) in mantle; cover, conceal, envelop; (of liquids) become covered with coating or scum; (of blood) suffuse cheeks, (of face) glow, with blush. [f. prec.]

mantlet. See MANTELET.

mân'tua, n. Woman's loose gown in 17th-18th cc.; *~maker*, dressmaker. [corrupt. of *manteau* (F, as MANTLE¹)]

mân'ûal, a. & n. 1. Of, done with, the hands, as *~labour*; (Mil.) *~(exercise)*, drill in handling rifle; *~fire-engine* (worked by hand, not steam); *~(finger) alphabet*; **SIGN**¹ ~. 2. n. Small book for handy use, handbook; organ keyboard played with hands; (Hist.) book of the forms to be used by priests in the administration of the Sacraments. Hence **~LY**² adv. [f. L *manualis* (*manus* hand, see -AL)]

mânüf'ac'tor'y, n. Factory, workshop. [f. L as foll., see -ORY]

mânüf'ac'ture¹, n. Making of articles by physical labour or machinery, esp. on large scale; branch of such industry, as *woollen ~*; *of home, English, etc.*, ~, made at home etc.; (derog.) mechanical production (of literature etc.). [F, f. L *manu* by hand + *facere* fact-, make, see -URE]

mânüf'ac'tur|e², v.t. Work up (material) for use; produce (articles) by labour, esp. on large scale (derog. of literary work etc.); invent, fabricate, (story). Hence **~ER**¹ n. [f. prec.]

mânümit', v.t. (hist.; -tt-). Set (slave) free. So **mânümi'n|ession** n. [f. L *manumittere* (*manus* hand + *mittere* mis-, send)]

manû'e¹, n. Dung, compost, spread over or mixed with soil to fertilize it. Hence **manû'r|al** a. [f. foll.]

manû'e², v.t. Apply manure to (land, or abs., also fig.). [f. AF *maynoverer*, as MANŒUVRE¹]

mân'üscript, a. & n. (abbr. *MS.* pr. *ëmäs'*, pl. *MSS.* pr. *ëmäs'iz*). (Book, document) written by hand, not printed;

author's copy for printer. [f. med. L *manuscriptus* (*manu* by hand + *scriptus* p.p. of *scribere* write)]

mān'ward, a. Tending, directed, towards man. [-WARD]

Mānx, a. & n. 1. Of the Isle of Man, as ~ cat, tailless variety; ~man, inhabitant of I. of Man. 2. n. ~ cat, language; (as pl., *Manx*) ~ people. [f. ON *manek* of Man]

ma'ny (mē-), a. & n. Numerous, as ~ times, (poet., rhet.) ~ a time (& oft), ~ & ~ a time, ~ people wish, ~ wish, ~ of us wish, how ~ (of them) can I have?, as ~ as you like, (pred., rare) his reasons were ~ and good, six mistakes in as ~ (six) lines; ~ 's the, there are ~ that (~ 's the tale he has told us); ~ 's the time, often (~ 's the time I have seen you do it); the~, the multitude; one too ~, not wanted, in the way; he was (one) too ~ for us (outwitted, baffled, us); a good, great, ~, fair, large, number; ~-headed beast, monster, the populace; ~plies (mōn'pliz), (dial. for) third STOMACH; ~-sided, having ~ sides, aspects, capabilities, etc., so ~-sidedness. [com.-Teut.: OE *manig*, Du. *menig*, G *manch*]

Maori (mowr'i), n. Member, language, of brown race in New Zealand. [native]

māp', n. Representation on paper etc. of (part of) earth's surface, showing physical & political features etc., or of the heavens; off the ~ (colloq.), of no account, obsolete; on the ~ (colloq.), to be reckoned with, of importance. Hence ~LESS a. [f. L *mappa* napkin; med. L has *mappa mundi* map of world]

māp', v.t. (-pp-). Represent on map; ~ out, plan out, arrange in detail (course of conduct, one's time, etc.). [f. prec.]

mā'ple, n. Genus of trees & shrubs grown for shade, ornament, wood, or sugar; wood of these; ~leaf, emblem of Canada. [OE has *mapeltreow* ~tree, cf. OSax. *mapulder*, MLG *mapeldorn*]

Maquis (mahkē'), n. Secret force of patriots in France in 1939-45 war. [F, = brushwood, f. Corsican It. *macchia*]

māf, v.t. (-rr-). Impair fatally, ruin, esp. make (or mend) or ~; ~plot, one who hinders undertaking by officiousness. [com.-Teut.: OE *merran*, OFris. *meria* hinder, MDu. *merren* hinder]

mā'rabou (-bōō), n. Large W.-Afr. stork; tuft of down from its wings or tail as trimming for hat etc. [F, prob. f. vulg. Arab. use of foll.]

mā'rabout (-bōōt), n. Mohammedan hermit or monk, esp. in N. Africa; shrine marking ~'s burial-place. [f. Arab. *murābi'*]

māraschi'nō (-kē-), n. (pl. ~s). Liqueur from a small black cherry. [It. (*marasca* small black cherry, for *amarasca* f. *amaro* bitter f. L *amarus*)]

marās'mi'us (-z-), n. Wasting away of

body. Hence ~IO a. [f. Gk *marasmos* (*marainō* wither)]

Mā'rathon, n. ~ (race), a race of abnormal length (w. ref. to Phidippides, who ran 150 miles to secure Spartan aid in the battle of ~ in 490 B.C.); (attrib.) requiring extreme endurance (applied to competitions of various kinds).

maraud', v.i. & t. Make plundering raid (on); go about pilfering; (trans.) plunder. Hence ~ER n. [f. F *marauder* (*maraud* rogue)]

mārave'di (-vā-), n. (hist.). Spanish coins, gold worth 14s., copper *id.* [Sp. f. Arab. *Murabi'in* MARABOUTS, Moorish dynasty at Cordova]

mār'ble, n., & v.t. 1. Limestone in crystalline (also, in granular) state & capable of taking polish, used in sculpture & architecture; this as type of hardness or smoothness (often attrib.); (pl.) collection of sculptures, as *Elgin* ~s; small ball of ~, clay, glass, etc., as toy. 2. v.t. Stain, colour, (paper, edges of book, soap) to look like variegated ~ (esp. in p.p.). Hence **mār'b'ly** a. [(yb f. n.) f. F *marbre* f. L *marmor*, cogn. w. Gk *marmaros* (*marmairō* sparkle)]

mārc, n. Refuse from pressed fruit. [F, perh. f. *marcher* MARCH³ in sense 'crush']

mār'casite, n. (Usu. white iron) pyrites. [f. med. L *marcasita*, etym. dub.]

mār'cél', n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. ~ (wave), kind of artificial wave in hair. 2. v.t. Wave (hair) thus. [*M~*, inventor of method]

mār'cés'cient, a. (Of parts of plant) withering but not falling. Hence ~ENOW n. [f. L *marcescere* frequent. of *marcere*, see -ENT]

Mārch', n. (abbr. *Mar.*). Third month of year; ~ brown, fly used in angling; ~ HARE. [OF, f. L *Martius* (*mensis* month) of Mars]

mārch', n. (hist.). Boundary, frontiers, (often pl., esp. of borderland between England & Scotland or Wales); tract of (often debatable) land between two countries. [f. F *marche* f. Teut. *mark* MARK¹]

mārch', v.i. (Of countries, estates, etc.) border upon, have common frontier with. [f. OF *marchir* (as prec.)]

mārch', n. (Mil.) marching of troops; line (route) of ~; long toilsome walk; progress (of events, time, intellect, mind); distance covered by troops in a day; FORCED ~; uniform step of troops etc., as QUICK, SLOW, ~; ~ past, ~ of troops in line past saluting-point at review; (Mus.) composition meant to accompany ~, as DEAD ~. [f. F *marche* (as foll.)]

mārch', v.i. & t. Walk away, forth, past (reviewing officer or sovereign), out, etc., in military manner with regular and measured tread; walk, proceed, steadily; ~ing orders, direction for troops to depart for war etc.; (as gallicism) make progress;

(trans.) cause to go on, off, etc. [f. F *marcher*, etym. dub.]
marchioness (-ə-), n. Wife, widow, of marquis; lady holding in her own right position equal to that of marquis. [f. med. L *marchionissa* f. *marchio* -*onis* MARCHE¹-captain (*marca*)]
march-pâne, **march'pân**, n. Paste of pounded almonds, sugar, etc., made up into small cakes etc.; such cake. [cf. F *massepain*, G *marzipan*, etc., etym. dub.]
marchon'i, n., & v.t. & t. 1. -foll. 2. vb. Send ~, send (message) thus. [see foll.]
marchon'igrâm, n. Message sent by Marconi's system of wireless telegraphy. [-GRAM]
Mardi gras (mărd'ēgrah), n. Shrove Tuesday; last day of carnival. [F, =fat Tuesday]
măr'é, n. ~ *claus'um*, sea under jurisdiction of particular country; ~ *lib'rum*, sea open to all nations. [L]
mare, n. Female of equine animal, esp. horse; GREY¹ ~; SHANK's ~; ~'s-nest, illusory discovery; ~'s-tail, kinds of aquatic plant, long straight streaks of cirrus. [OE *mere*, cf. Du. *merrie*, G *mähre* jade]
Maréchal Niel (*usu. pr. măsh'al nēl*), n. Kind of climbing rose. [after Adolphe Niel, Marshal of France (d. 1869)]
marém'm'a, n. Low marshy unhealthy country by seashore. [It.]
mărg'arine (-g-, -j-; also -ēn), n. Legal name for all substances made in imitation of butter. [F, misapplication of a chem. term, f. Gk *margaron* pearl, see -IN]
mărg'ay, n. S.-Amer. tiger-cat. [F, f. native *mbaracaiá*]
marge, n. (poet.). -foll. [F, as foll.]
mar'gin, n., & v.t. 1. Edge, border, of surface, whence ~ATE²(2), ~Ātēd, aa.; condition near the limit below or beyond which a thing ceases to be possible etc.; extra amount (of time, money, etc.) over & above the necessary; (Commerc.) sum deposited with stockbroker to cover risk of loss on transaction of account; space round main body of printed matter on page. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~ or marginal notes; deposit ~ on (stock). [(vb f. n.) f. L *margo* -*ginitis*]
mar'ginal, a. Of, written in, the margin; having ~ notes; of, at, the edge; close to the limit. Hence ~LY³ adv. [-AL]
mar'ginal'ia, n. pl. Marginal notes. [mod. L neut. pl., as MARGIN, see -AL]
mărg'răve, n. (hist.). German title of some princes of Holy Roman Empire, orig. of military governor of border province. [f. MDu. *markgrave* border count (MARK¹ + grave count)]
mărg'ravine, n. Margrave's wife. [f. Du. *markgravin* (as prec., see -INE³)]
mărg'wette (-gētē), n. Ox-eye daisy. [f. L. (-ā) f. Gk *margaritis* (*margaron* -*gēd*, see -INE³)]

mariage de convenance (see Ap.), n. Marriage contracted from prudential motives. [F]
Măr'ian, a. & n. 1. Of the Virgin Mary, Mary Queen of England, or Mary Queen of Scots. 2. n. Adherent of the last. [f. L *Maria* Mary + -AN]
mă'r'id, n. Jinn of most powerful class. [Arab., part. of *marada* rebel]
mă'rīgōld, n. Kinds of plant with golden or yellow flowers; MARSE ~. [f. *Mary* (prob. the Virgin) + gold]
marim'ba, n. Primitive African xylophone; modern orchestral instrument evolved from this. [native name]
mărinăde', n., & (also -te) v.t. Pickle of wine, vinegar, & spices; fish, meat, thus pickled; (v.t.) pickle with ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. Sp. *marinada* (*marinar* pickle in brine, as foll., -ADE)]
marine' (-ēn), a. & n. 1. Of, found in, produced by, the sea; of shipping or naval matters, as ~ insurance; || ~ stores, old ships' materials & similar odds & ends as merchandise; for use at sea; (of soldiers) serving on board ship. 2. n. Country's shipping, fleet, or navy, esp. mercantile ~; soldier on warship (*blue, red, ~s*, hist., artillery, light infantry); tell that to the (HORSE¹) ~s. [f. F *marin* (fem. -ine) f. L *marinus* (*mare* sea, -INE¹)]
mă'riner, n. Sailor, seaman; *master* ~, captain of merchant ship. [AF, f. med. L *marinarius* (as prec., see -ARY²)]
Marin'ism (-ēn-), n. Affected style of It. poet Marini (d. 1625). So ~IST n. [-ISM]
Măriöl'atry, n. (derog.). Worship of the Virgin Mary. [f. Gk *Maria* Mary + -LATRY]
măriônētte', n. Puppet worked by strings, representing person etc. [f. F *marionnette* (*Marion* dim. of *Marie* Mary, -ETTE)]
mă'rish, n. & a. (poet.). Marsh(y). [ME & OF *marcis* f. med. L *mariscus* MARSH]
Măr'ist, n. Member of Rom. Cath. Society of Mary. [f. F *Mariste* (*Marie* Mary, see -IST)]
mă'rital (or *marit'at*), a. Of a husband; of marriage. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L *maritalis* (*maritus* husband, see -AL)]
mă'ritime, a. Living, found, near the sea; connected with the sea, as ~ insurance. [f. L *maritimus* (*mare* sea; for suf. of *ultimus*)]
mărj'oram, n. Genus including *Sweet M*~, aromatic herb used in cookery. [f. OF *majorane* f. med. L *majorana*, etym. dub.]
mark¹, n. 1. Target or other object to be aimed at; beside, wide of, the ~, not hitting it, (fig.) not to the point. 2. (Boxing) pit of stomach. 3. Desired object, as hit, miss, the ~. 4. Sign, indication, (of quality, character, etc.), esp. ~ of mouth, depression in horse's tooth indicating age. 5. Affixed or impressed sign, seal, etc.;

mark¹, *HALL, TRADE*, ~. 6. Cross etc. made in place of signature by illiterate person. 7. Written symbol; this as sign of good or bad conduct. 8. Unit of numerical award of merit in examination, as *he gained 48* ~s. 9. Line etc. serving to indicate position; *Pimm's* ~s, line showing how far ship may legally be submerged when loaded; *below, up to, etc., the ~ (standard)*. 10. (Footb.) heel~ on ground made by player who has obtained fair catch. 11. Stain, scar, etc. 12. *Make* one's ~, attain distinction; of ~, noteworthy. 13. (As apology for mentioning anything horrible etc.) (*God save the ~*). 14. (Hist.) tract of land held by Teutonic village community. 15. (Athletics) line indicating the starting-point (*get off the ~, start*). 16. *Easy* ~ (orig. U.S., sl.), person easily gulled. [OE *mark*, cf. Du. & G *mark*, f. OTeut. *mark*ed]

mark², v.t. 1. Make a mark on (thing) by stamping, cutting, writing, etc.; put identifying mark or name on (lines); attach figures indicating prices to (goods); (pass.) have natural marks, as *~ed with silver spots*. 2. ~ *out*, trace out boundaries for (ground), plan (course), destine, as *~ed out for slaughter*; ~ *off*, separate (thing from another, lit. & fig.) by boundary. 3. Indicate (place on map, length of syllable) by signs or marks. 4. Record (points gained in games). 5. Manifest (one's displeasure etc. by); (pass.) *this tendency is strongly ~ed (noticeable)*, a *~ed difference*, whence ~^{edly} adv., ~^{edness} n. 6. Accompany, be a feature of, as *no triumph ~s her manner*. 7. ~ *time*, move feet as in marching, but without advancing (often fig.). 8. See, notice; observe mentally, as ~ *my words*; a *~ed man*, one whose conduct is watched with suspicion or hostility. 9. (Also ~ *down*) note & remember spot to which (grouse etc.) has retired. 10. || (Footb.) keep close to (opponent) so as to hamper him if he receives ball. 11. ~ *down*, (also) ~ at a lower price; ~ *up*, ~ at a higher price. [OE *mearcian*, cf. Du. & G *merken*, (as prec.)]

mark³, n. Denomination of weight for gold & silver, usu. 8 oz (now only of continental weights); German coin (formerly about 1/-); (Hist.) English money of account, 13/4. [com.-Teut. & Rom., etym. dub.]

mark *er*, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who marks down game; one who records score, esp. in billiards; flare etc. to assist bombers in air-raid; = **BOOK** ~, [MARK + **ER**¹]

mark⁴^{et}, n. Gathering of people for purchase & sale of provisions, livestock, etc.; time of this; *bring* one's eggs or hops to a *bad ~*, fall in one's schemes open space or covered building in which cattle etc. are exposed for sale; *make* a ~

of, (fig.) barter away; demand (for commodity); *the corn ~*, the trade in corn; *come into the ~*, be offered for sale; *put on the ~*, offer for sale; **BLACK**¹ ~; **MONEY** ~; rate of purchase & sale, ~ value, as *the ~ fell*; seat of trade; ~ *cross* (erected in ~-place); ~ *day* (on which ~ is held); || ~ *garden* (in which vegetables are grown for ~); ~ *place*, square, open space, where ~ is held; || ~ *town* (where ~ is held). [ONE, f. L *mercatus* (mercari trade, see **MERCANTILE**)]

mark⁵^{et}, v.i. & t. Buy or sell in market; sell (goods) in market, whence ~**ABLE** a., ~**ably**² adv. [f. prec.]

mark⁶^{et} *khōr* (-kōr), n. Large spiral-horned wild goat of N. India. [Pushtu, = snake-eater]

mark⁷^{ing}, n. In vbl senses, esp. colouring of feathers, skin, etc.; ~ *ink* (indelible, for marking linen). [MARK² + **ING**¹]

marks⁸ *man*, n. (pl. *men*). One skilled or practised in aiming at mark, esp. one who attains certain standard of proficiency in rifle practice. Hence ~**SHIP** (1, 3) n. [MARK¹ + **ES** + **MAN**]

Mark *Tāp*⁹^{ley}, n. Invincibly cheery person. [character in Dickens's *Martin Chuzzlewit*]

marl, n., & v.t. 1. Soil consisting of clay and carbonate of lime, a valuable fertilizer. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to (ground). Hence ~^{ry} a. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *marie* f. LL *margula* dim. of L *marga*]

Marlborough *House* (mawl'bro), n. Royal Palace used as a London residence. **Marlbur**¹⁰^{ian} (mawl'), n. & a. (Member) of Marlborough College. [-IAN]

marl¹¹^{ine}, n. (naut.). Small line of two strands; ~ *spike*, *marlinspike*, pointed hard-wood or iron tool for separating strands of rope in splicing. [f. Du. *marlijn* (marren bind + lijn LINE⁹)]

marl¹²^{ite}, n. Kind of marl that resists action of air. [-ITE¹]

mar¹³^m^{alade}, n. Preserve of oranges or specified fruit. [f. F *marmelade* f. Port. *marmelada* f. *marmelo* quince f. L f. Gk *melimelon* (meli honey + melon apple) see -ADE]

mar¹⁴^m^{ite}, n. Extract made from fresh brewer's yeast. [P; F, = stockpot]

mar¹⁵^m^{olite}, n. Laminated serpentine of pale green colour. [irreg. f. Gk *marmatōs* shine, see -LITE]

mar¹⁶^m^{or}^{éal}, a. (poet.). Of, like, marble. [f. L *marmoreus* (as **MARBLE**) + **AL**]

mar¹⁷^m^{os}^{et} (-z), n. Small tropical American monkey with bushy tail. [f. OF *marmouset* grotesque image, etym. dub.]

mar¹⁸^m^{ot}, n. Rodent of squirrel family; kind of bathing-cap. [f. F *marmotte* prob. f. Roumansch *marmont* f. L *murum* (nom. was) mouse of the mountains] **mar**¹⁹^{roca}ⁱⁿ, n. A dress-fabric made in silk (or other materials). [F, = Moroccan]

Mā'ronite, *n.* One of a sect of Syrian Christians dwelling in Lebanon. [f. LL *Maronita* (*Maron* founder, see -ITE¹)]

maroon¹, *n.* & *a.* 1. (Of) brownish-crimson colour. 2. Firework exploding with loud report. [f. F *marron* chestnut f. It. *marrone*]

maroon², *n.* One of class of negroes, orig. fugitive slaves, in mountains & forests of Dutch Guiana & W. Indies; marooned person. [f. F *marron* perh. corrupt. of Sp. *cimarron* wild (*cima* mountain-top perh. ult. f. Gk *kuma* wave)]

maroon³, *v.t.* & *i.* Put (person) ashore & leave him on desolate island or coast as punishment; idle, hang about. [f. prec.]

marque¹ (-k), *n.* (hist.). *Letter(s) of ~* (*déprestation*), licence to fit out armed vessel & employ it in capture of enemy's merchant shipping; (sing.) ship carrying such licence. [F, f. Prov. *marca* f. *marcar* seize as pledge, perh. conn. w. MARK¹]

marquee¹ (-kō), *n.* Large tent. [f. MARQUISSE taken as pl. *n.*]

marquetry¹, -terie, (-kt-), *n.* Inlaid work. [F (-erie), f. *marqueter* variegated (MARK¹)]

marqu¹uis, -quess, *n.* Noble ranking between duke & earl or (in foreign countries) count. Hence **marqu¹uisate¹** (1) *n.* [f. OF *marquis*=It. *marchese* ruler of MARCH², -ESE]

marquise¹ (-kēs), *n.* 1. (Of foreign nobility) marchioness. 2. Finger-ring set with oval pointed cluster of gems. 3. (arch.). Tent. [F, fem. of *marquis*]

marqu¹uois (-kwōiz), *n.* ~ *scale*, apparatus for drawing equidistant parallel lines. [prob. blunder for F *marquois* marker (MARK²)]

mar¹ram, *n.* A shore grass that binds sand. [f. ON *maralm-r* (*mar-r* sea, HAULM)]

mar¹riage (-rij), *n.* Relation between married persons, wedlock; *give, take, in ~* (as husband or wife); *communal ~*, system by which all the men in small community are married to all the women; *companionate ~*, see COMPANION¹; act, ceremony, of marrying; *civil ~* (performed by civil official without religious ceremony); (fig.) intimate union; (Cards) declaration of king & queen of same suit; ~ *articles*, antenuptial agreement respecting rights of property & succession; ~ *bed*, (fig.) marital intercourse; ~ *LICENSE*¹; ~ *lines*, certificate of marriage; ~ *marked*, supply & demand of eligible partners for ~; ~ *settlement*, arrangement securing property to wife & sometimes to children. [f. F *marriage* f. pop. L *maritahum* (*maritus* husband, see -AGE)]

mar¹riagesable (-rija-), *a.* Of an age to marry; (of age) fit for marriage. [-ABLE]

mar¹ried (-id), *a.* United in wedlock; of person(s) so united, as ~ *life*. [p.p. of MARRY¹]

marron glacé (see Ap.), *n.* Chestnut loed with sugar as sweetmeat. [F]

mā'rrow¹ (-ō), *n.* Soft fatty substance in cavities of bones, often a type of rich food or of vitality (*chilled to the ~*, right through); *spinal ~*, substance forming spinal cord; essential part, as *pith & ~*; *vegetable ~*, kind of gourd; ~ *bone*, bone containing edible ~, (pl., loc.) knees; ~ (*fat*), kind of large pea; ~ *spoon* (for getting ~ from bones). Hence ~ *LESS* (-ōl-), ~ *Y*³ (-ōl), *aa.* [com.-Teut.: OE *mearg*, Du. *meerg*, G *mark*]

|| **mā'rrow²** (-ō), *n.* (dial.). Mate, consort, match, very image of. [?]

mā'rry¹, *v.t.* & *i.* (Of priest etc.) join (persons, one to another) in wedlock; (of parent or guardian) give (son, daughter, etc.) in marriage; (of either contracting party) take in marriage; (fig.) unite intimately; (Naut.) splice (rope-ends) together without increasing girth; (intr.) take husband or wife. [f. F *marier* f. L *maritare* f. *maritus* husband (*mar* *maris* male)]

mā'rry², *int.* (arch.) expr. surprise, asseveration, indignation, etc.; ~ *come up* (expr. indignant or contemptuous surprise). [= (the Virgin) *Mary*]

Mārs (-z), *n.* Roman god of war; warfare; planet fourth in order of distance from sun. [L]

Marsa'la (-sah-), *n.* White wine like light sherry, from ~ in Sicily.

Marseillaise¹ (-selāz, & see Ap.), *n.* National song of French Republic, first sung by Marseilles patriots. [F, fem. adj. f. *Marseille*, -ESE]

Marseilles¹ (-sālz), *n.* Seaport in S. France; stiff cotton fabric like piqué.

marsh, *n.* Low land flooded in winter & usu. watery at all times; ~ *gas*, light carburetted hydrogen; ~ *mallow*, (confection made from root of) shrubby herb growing near salt ~es; ~ *marigold*, golden-flowered ranunculaceous plant growing in moist meadows. Hence ~ *INESS* *n.*, ~ *Y*³ *a.* [OE *mersc* f. WG **marisk-* (whence med. L *mariscus*) f. OTeut. *mari-* sea, see -ISH¹]

marsh'al¹, *n.* || *KARL* ~; officer of highest rank in some foreign armies; PROVOST ~; FIELD ~, ~ *of the Royal AIR¹ Force*, AIR¹ ~; (Hist.) *knight* ~, officer of royal household with judicial functions; || (*judge's*) ~, official accompanying judge on circuit, with secretarial duties; officer arranging ceremonies etc. Hence ~ *SHIP* *n.* [f. OF *mareschal* f. Frank. L *mariscalcus* f. OHG *marahscalc* (OTeut. *markos* horse & *skalkos* servant)]

marsh'al², *v.t.* & *i.* (-ll-). Arrange in due order (persons at feast etc., soldiers, facts, etc.); (Her.) combine (coat of arms); conduct (person) ceremoniously (*into* etc.); ~ *ing yard*, railway yard in which goods trains etc. are assembled. [f. prec.]

marsh'alsea, n. (hist.). Court held, prison in Southwark controlled, by knight marshal. [f. obs. *marshalcý* (MARSHAL¹ + -CY)]

mar'súp'ial, a. & n. (anat., zool.). 1. Of, like, a pouch, as ~ *muscle*. 2. (Animal) of the class of mammals characterized by having a pouch in which to carry their young, horn imperfect. [f. L f. Gk *mar'supion* pouch dim. of *mar'sipos* purse + -AL]

márt, n. (Poet.) market-place; auction room; trade centre. [f. Du. *markt*, f. L as MARKET]

mártéll'ó, n. (pl. ~s). ~ (lower), small circular fort, usu. on coast to prevent hostile landing. [corrupt. of Cape *Mortella* in Corsica]

márt'en, n. Animal like weasel, with valuable fur. [f. OF (*peau* skin) *martine* of the marten (*martre* f. O'Fent. *marthus*)]

márt'ial (-shl), a. Of, suitable for, appropriate to, warfare, whence ~ -IZE (-sha-) v.t.; ~ *law*, military government, by which ordinary law is suspended; brave; fond of fighting; (M~) of the planet Mars. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *martialis* of MARS, see -AL]

Márt'ian (-shn), n. Inhabitant of Mars. [f. L *Martius* of MARS + -AN]

márt'in, n. 1. St M~, bishop of Tours in 4th c.; M~mas, St M~'s day, Nov. 11; || St M~'s *summer*, fine season about this time. 2. (Also *house*~) bird of swallow family building mud nest on house walls etc. [F, f. L *Martinus*]

márt'inét', n. Strict (esp. military or naval) disciplinarian. Hence ~t'ISM n., ~t'ISH¹ a. [M~, French drill-master in reign of Louis XIV]

márt'ingále (-ngg-), n. 1. Strap, set of straps, fastened at one end to nose-band, at other end to girth, of horse to prevent rearing etc.; (Naut.) rope for guying down jibboom. 2. Gambling system of doubling stakes in hope of eventual turn of luck. [F, etym. dub.]

márt'ini¹ (-énè), n. The M~-Henry rifle. [M~, inventor of its breech action]

márt'ini² (-énè), n. Cocktail made of gin, vermouth, orange bitters, etc. [M~, inventor]

márt'lét, n. Swift; (Her.) footless bird. [f. F *martele* prob. f. *martinet* dim. f. MARTIN]

márt'yr (-er), n., & v.t. 1. One who undergoes penalty of death for persistence in Christian faith or obedience to law of Church, or undergoes death or suffering for any great cause; ~ to (constant sufferer from) *gout* etc.; *make a ~ of oneself*, (pretend to) sacrifice one's inclinations, for sake of credit thus gained. 2. v.t. Put to death as ~, torment. [(vb f. n.) eccl. L f. late Gk *martur* = Gk *martus* -uros witness]

márt'yrdóm (-ter), n. Sufferings & death of martyr; torment. [-DOM]

márt'yrize, v.t. Make a martyr of (one-self, person). [f. med. L *martyrizare* (MARTYR, -IZE)]

márt'yr|o- in comb. = of martyrs, as: ~*ó|atry*, worship of martyrs; ~*ó|ogy*, list, register, history, of martyrs, whence ~*ó|ogical*.

márt'yry, n. Shrine, church, erected in honour of martyr. [f. med. L f. Gk *marturion* (as MARTYR)]

márv'el¹, n. Wonderful thing; wonderful example of (quality); (arch.) astonishment. [f. OF *merveille* f. L *mirabilia* neut. pl. of *mirabilis* (*mirari* wonder at, see -BLE)]

márv'el², v.t. (literary; -ll-). Be surprised (*at, that*); wonder (*how, why*, etc.). [f. OF *merveilier* (as prec.)]

márv'ellous, a. Astonishing; extravagantly improbable, esp. the ~. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *merveillos* (as prec.)]

Márx'ian, a. & n. (Adherent) of the doctrines of the German socialist Karl Marx (1818-83). So ~ISM(3) n., ~IST(2) n. & a. [-IAN]

marzipan. See MARCHPANE.

máscá'r'a, n. Preparation for dyeing eyelashes etc. [?]

másc'ot, n. Person, thing, that brings luck. [f. provincial F *mascotte*, perh. cogn. w. Pr. *masco* witch]

ma'scúline (má-, mah-), a. & n. 1. Of the gender to which names of males normally belong; ~ *rhyme* (in French verse, between words ending in stressed syllables, not *e* mute), ~ *ending*, ending of line with stressed syllable; of the male sex; manly, vigorous; (of woman) having qualities appropriate to man. 2. n. ~ gender, word. Hence ~NESS, **ma'scúlin'ITY**, nn., (mah-, má-). [f. F *masculin* (fem. -ine) f. L *masculinus* (as MALE, see -INE¹)]

másh¹, n. Malt mixed with hot water to form wort; mixture of boiled grain, bran, etc., given warm to horses etc.; soft pulp made by crushing, mixing with water, etc.; (sl.) mashed potatoes (*sausage & ~*); confused mixture; ~-*tub* (in which malt is mashed). [OE *másc*, cf. G *meisch* crushed grapes, malt, Da. *mask* grains for pigs, perh. cogn. w. MIX]

másh², v.t. Mix (malt) with hot water; crush, pound, to pulp; reduce (potatoes etc.) to uniform mass by crushing. [f. prec.]

másh³, v.t., & n. (sl.). 1. Exotic sentimental admiration in (one of opposite sex); *be ~ed on*, have such admiration for. 2. n. Person on whom one of opposite sex is ~ed. [?]

másh'er, n. Pop posing as lady-killer. [?]

másh'ie, -ý, n. Iron golf club used for lofting or for medium distances; ~ *niblick*, club intermediate between ~ & niblick. [perh. corrupt. of F *masseue club*]

ma'sjid (má-), n. Mosque. [Arab.]

mask¹ (mah-), n. Covering, usu. of velvet or silk, for concealing face at balls etc., or of wire, gauze, etc., for protection; hollow figure of human head worn by ancient Greek & Roman actors; clay or wax likeness of person's face, esp. (also *death*~) one made by taking mould from face; (fig.) disguise, as *throw off the ~*; masked person; face, head, of fox. [f. F *masque* f. Sp. *máscara* , or f. med. L *masculus*, etym. dub.]

mask² (mah-), v.t. Cover (face) with mask; (pass.) be disguised with mask; (Mil.) conceal (force etc.) from enemy's view, hinder (army etc.) from action by watching with adequate force, hinder (friendly force) by standing in line of its fire; disguise (feelings etc.); ~ed ball (at which masks are worn). [f. prec.]

masker, -quer, (mah-), n. One who takes part in masquerade or masque. [prec. + -ER¹]

māskinōn'ge (-j, -jī), n. Large pike in great lakes of N. America. [Odjibwa]

masochism (mās'okizm), n. Form of (esp. sexual) perversion in which a sufferer derives pleasure from pain or humiliation (opp. sadism). [f. L. von Sacher-Masoch (d. 1895), Austrian novelist who described a case of ~]

māson, n., & v.t. 1. Worker in stone; freemason, whence **masōn'io** a. 2. v.t. Build, strengthen, with masonry. [(vb f. F *maçonner*) f. OF *maçon*; med. L *machio* etym. dub.]

māsonrý, n. Mason's work, stonework. [f. F *maçonnerie* (as **MASON**, see -ERY)]

Mās(s)or'a(h) (-ra), n. Body of traditional information on text of Hebrew Bible. [f. Heb. *masoreth* perh. = bond]

Mās(s)orēte, -ite, n. Jewish scholar contributing to the Masora. Hence **mās(s)orēt'io** a. [(~ete) corrupt. of Heb. as prec.; (-ite) prec. + -ITE¹]

masque (mahsk), n. Amateur histrionic & musical entertainment, orig. in dumb show, later with metrical dialogue; dramatic composition for this. [as **MASK**¹]

masquerade¹ (mahske-), n. Masked ball; false show, pretence. [f. Sp. *mascarada* (*máscara* mask, see -ADE)]

masquerade² (mahske-), v.i. Appear in disguise; assume false appearance. [f. prec.]

mass¹, n. (A) celebration (now usu. Rom. Cath.) of the Eucharist, as ~ *was said*, *we attend*, *go to*, *hear*, ~, ~s *were said* for his soul; liturgy used in this; musical setting of parts of this; *high* ~ (with incense, music, & assistance of deacon & subdeacon); *low* ~ (with no music & minimum of ceremony). [OE *masse* f. vulg. L *missa* f. eol. L *missa* (*mittere missa* - send); sense history doubtful]

mass², n., & v.t. & i. 1. Coherent body of

matter of indefinite shape; dense aggregation of objects, as a ~ of fibres; large number (of); *he is a ~ of* (covered with) bruises; unbroken expanse (of light etc.); *the (great) ~*, the majority (of); *the ~es*, the lower orders, cf. **CLASSES**; *in the ~*, in the aggregate; (**Physics**) quantity of matter a body contains; ~ **ENERGY**; ~ *meeting*, large (usu. political) assembly of people; ~ *observation*, study & reporting of social customs etc. of ordinary people; ~ of *manœuvre*, body of troops kept free for strategic needs; ~ *production* (of large quantities of a standardized article by standardized mechanical processes). 2. vb. Gather (t. & i.) into ~; (Mil.) concentrate (troops). [(vb f. F *masser*) f. F *masse* f. L *massa* prob. f. Gk *maza* barley-cake (*massô* knead)]

mass'acre (-ker), n., & v.t. 1. General slaughter, carnage, (of persons, occas. of animals). 2. v.t. Make a ~ of, murder cruelly or violently. [(vb f. F *massacrer*) F; OF *maçacre*, etym. dub.]

massage¹ (-ahzh), n., & v.t. 1. Rubbing, kneading, etc., of muscles & joints of the body with the hands, to stimulate their action, etc. 2. v.t. Treat (part, person) thus. [(vb f. n.) F (*masser* treat with massage, perh. f. Port. *amassar* knead, f. *massa* dough, see -AGE)]

massé (mās'ā), n. (billiards). Stroke made with cue held perpendicular. [F, p.p. of *masser* make such stroke (as **MACE**¹)]

māsseur¹, **māsseuse**¹, (-s, -sēz, & see Ap.), nn. Man, woman, who practises massage. So **māss'er**¹, **māss'or**¹, nn. [F (as **MASSAGE**, see -OR¹)]

māss'if, n. Mountain heights forming a compact group. [F (see **MASSIVE**) in n. use]

māss'ive, a. Large & heavy or solid; (of features, head, etc.) largely moulded; (fig.) solid, substantial; impressive, imposing; (Psych.; of sensation etc.) having large volume or magnitude. Hence ~ **LY**² adv., ~ **NESS** n. [F (-if, -ive), as **MASS**², see -IVE]

māss'ly, a. Solid; weighty. Hence ~ **INNESS** n. [**MASS**² + -Y³]

mast¹ (-ah-), n. 1. Long pole of timber, iron, etc., set up on ship's keel to support sails; **BEFORE** the ~; **HALF** ~ *high*; hence (of ship) ~ **ED**² a., ~ **HEAD**¹ n.; ~ *head*, highest part of ~, esp. of lower ~ as place of observation or punishment, (v.t.) send (sailor) to this, raise (sail) to its position. 2. Post, or lattice-work upright, for supporting a wireless aerial; (also *mooring*~) strong steel tower to top of which an airship can be moored. [com.-Teut.: OE *maet*, Du. & G *maet*]

mast² (-ah-), n. Fruit of beech, oak, & other forest-trees, esp. as food for swine. [com.-WG: OE *maet*, G *maet*]

mās'taba, n. (archaeol.). Ancient Egyptian tomb with sloping sides & flat roof. [Arab. *maqaba* bench]

ma'ster¹ (mah-), n. 1. Person having control; (Naut.) captain of merchant vessel; employer; owner of dog, horse, etc.; male head of household, as ~ of the house; be ~ of, have at one's disposal; be one's own ~, be independent or free to do as one will; make oneself ~ of, acquire thorough knowledge of or facility in using; one who has or gets the upper hand, as we will see which of us is ~. 2. Teacher, tutor, esp. (also school-) in school; HOUSE¹~; teacher in philosophy etc. 3. The M~, Christ; M~ of Arts (abbr. M.A.), holder of university degree orig. giving authority to teach in university. 4. Skilled workman, or one in business on his own account, as ~ carpenter. 5. Great artist, esp. old ~ (esp. of painters of 13th-17th cc.), picture etc. by a ~. 6. Head of some colleges. 7. || (As title of legal functionaries) M~ in Chancery etc.; M~ of Ceremonies (see CEREMONY), MISRULE, ROLLS; M~ (organizer, leader, esp. in Royal Household & Inns of Court) of the revels; M~ of the Horse, official in English royal household; M~ (one who has control) of foxhounds (abbr. M.F.H.), beagles, etc. 8. (Prefixed, esp. by servants, to name of young gentleman) M~ Tom, M~ Jones. 9. attrib. Commanding, superior, (a ~ mind). 10. ~at-arms, police officer on man-of-war; ~key (opening many locks, each also opened by separate key); ~mason, (as above, also) freemason who has passed third degree; ~piece, consummate piece of workmanship; ~stroke, surpassingly skillful act (of policy etc.). Hence ~DOM, ~GOOD, nn., ~LESS a. [OE *maester* (partly also f. OF *maistre*) f. L *magister* cogn. w. *magis* more]

ma'ster² (mah-), v.t. Overcome, defeat; reduce to subjection; acquire complete knowledge of (subject) or facility in using (instrument etc.); rule as a master. [f. prec.]

ma'sterful (mah-), a. Self-willed, imperious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

ma'sterly (mah-), a. Worthy of a master, very skillful. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

ma'stership (mah-), n. Dominion, control; office, function, of master, esp. in school. [-SHIP]

ma'stery (mah-), n. Sway, dominion; the upper hand; mastery skill; mastery use or knowledge (of instrument, subject). [f. OF *maistrie* (as MASTER¹, see -Y¹)]

mās'tic, n. Gum or resin exuding from bark of certain trees, used in making varnish; trees yielding this; kinds of cement; liquor flavoured with ~, used in Turkey & Greece; ~ colour, pale yellow. Hence **māst'i**¹ c/o a. (ohem.). [F. f. LL *masticum* f. L f. Gk *mastichē*, etym. dub.]

mās'ticiāte, v.t. Grind (food) with teeth,

chew. Hence or cogn. ~ABL'ITY, ~A'TION, ~ātoz¹ (1, 2), nn., ~ātozy a. [f. LL *masticare* (perh. as prec.), -ATE¹]

ma'stiff (mah-), n. Large strong dog with drooping ears & pendulous lips. [f. OF *mastin* f. pop. L ⁺*mansuetinus* (*mansuetus* tame f. *manus* hand + *suescere* suct- grow accustomed, see -INE¹)]

māstif'is, n. Inflammation of female breast. [f. Gk *mastos* breast, see -RIS]

mās'todōn, n. Large extinct mammal like elephant, with nipple-shaped tubercles on crowns of molar teeth. Hence **māstodōn'tio** a. [f. Gk *mastos* breast + *odon* *odontos* tooth]

mās'toid, a. & n. (anat.). 1. Shaped like female breast; ~ process, conical prominence in the temporal bone to which muscles are attached. 2. n. ~ process; (colloq.) abscess on ~ process. [f. Gk *mastos* breast, see -OID]

mās'turbāte (-ter-), v.i. Practise self-abuse. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. L *masturbare*, etym. dub., see -ATE¹]

māt¹, n. Coarse fabric of plaited rushes, straw, etc. for lying upon, packing furniture, etc.; piece of this for wiping shoes upon, esp. door-~; on the ~ (Army sl.), in trouble (i.e. on the orderly room ~ before the C.O.). [OE *matt* f. LL *matta*]

māt², v.t. & i. (-tt-). Cover, furnish, with mats; entangle (often together) in thick mass (esp. in p.p., as ~ed hair); become ~ted. [f. prec.]

māt³, a., n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. (Of colours, surfaces, etc.) dull, without lustre. 2. n. Border of dead gold round framed picture; appearance of unburnished gold; roughened or frosted groundwork. 3. v.t. Make (gilding etc.) dull; frost (glass). [(vb f. F *maler*) F, f. med. L *mattus* f. Arab. *mat* helpless]

māt'adōr, n. Man appointed to kill bull in bull-fight; principal card in some games. [Sp., f. L *mactatorem* (*mactare* kill, -OR²)]

mātch¹, n. 1. Person able to contend with another as an equal, as find, meet, one's ~, be (more than) a ~ for; person equal to another in some quality, as we shall never see his ~; person, thing, exactly like or corresponding to another. 2. Contest of skill etc. in which persons are matched against each other, as cricket-~. 3. Matrimonial alliance; make a ~, bring this about; person viewed in regard to his or her eligibility for marriage, esp. as to rank or fortune, as he is an excellent ~. 4. ~board, one with tongue cut along one edge & groove along another, so as to fit into similar boards; ~maker, one fond of scheming to bring about marriages; ~point(s), state of a game when one side needs only one more point to win the ~ (occas. ~ball). [OE *gemacca*, cogn. w. MAKE]

mātch², v.t. & i. Join (person with another) in marriage; prove a match for;

place (person etc.) in conflict *against* another; *well ~ed*, fit to contend with each other, live together, etc., on equal terms; place (person, thing) in competition *with*; be equal, correspond in quantity, quality, colour, etc., to (thing etc.); also intr. *with* as *the carpets ~ the wall-paper*, *these ribbons do not ~*, *do not ~ with your hat*, *trimmed with velvet to ~*; find material etc. that ~s with (another), as *can you ~ me this silk?* [f. prec.]

māch², n. Short piece of wood, wax taper, etc., tipped with composition that bursts into flame when rubbed on rough or (*safety ~*) specially prepared surface; piece of wick, cord, etc., designed to burn at uniform rate, for firing cannon etc.; ~*box* (for holding ~es); ~*lock*, (gun with) lock in which ~ is placed for igniting powder; ~*wood*, wood suitable for ~es, minute splinters, (*make ~wood* of, utterly smash). [f. OF *mesche* (F *mèche* wick), etym. dub.]

māch'ēt (or -ēt'), n. Broad heavy knife used in America etc. as tool & weapon. [f. Sp. *machete*]

māch'less, a. Without an equal, peerless. Hence ~*LY²* adv. [MATCH¹ + -LESS]

māte¹, n., & v.t. (chess). = CHECKMATE; *fool's ~* (in which first player is ~d at opponent's second move); STALE¹ ~. [see CHECKMATE]

māte², n. 1. (In working-classes) companion, fellow worker, (also as general form of address). 2. One of a pair, esp. of birds; fitting partner in marriage. 3. (Naut.) officer on merchant ship who sees to execution of master's commands & takes command in his absence, (also) assistant to some functionary, as *cook's*, *gunner's*, *surgeon's*, ~. Hence ~*LESS* (-tl-) a., *māt'(e)Y²* a., sociable, familiar (*with*). [prob. f. MLG *mate* for *gemate* f. OTeut. *gamalon* messmate (ga- Y- + *mat*- MEAT)]

māte³, v.t. & i. Join (two persons, one *with* another) in marriage; marry (*with*, or abs.); pair (birds), (of birds) pair; keep company (*with*). [f. prec.]

māt'é (-ā), n. (Vessel for) infusion of leaves of a shrub, Paraguay tea; the shrub. [f. Sp. *mate* f. native *mati*]

matelot, || **māt'lō(w)**, (māt'lō), n. (naut. sl.). Sailor. -[F (-elot)]

māt'elote (-ot), n. Dish of fish etc. with sauce of wine, onions, etc. [F, f. *matelot* sailor]

māt'er, n. || (School sl.) mother; DURA MATER, PIA MATER; ~*famili'das*, mother of household. [L]

matér'ial, a. & n. 1. Concerned with the matter, not the form, of reasoning; of matter, corporeal; ~ *theory* of heat (that it is a ~ substance); (of conduct, point of view, etc.) unspiritual; concerned with bodily comfort etc., as ~ *well-being*; important, essential, (to, or abs.). 2. n. Matter from which thing is made, as raw

(unmanufactured) ~; elements, constituent parts, (of substance, for historical composition etc.); stuff, fabric, *writing-~s* (requisites). Hence ~*ITY* (-āl²) n., ~*LY²* adv. [f. LL *materialis* (as MATTER, see -AL)] **matér'ial|ism**, n. Opinion that nothing exists but matter & its movements & modifications, also, that consciousness & will are wholly due to material agency; (Art) tendency to lay stress on material aspect of objects. So ~*IST* n., ~*IS'TIC* a., ~*IS'TICALLY* adv. [-ISM]

matér'ializ'e, v.t. & i. Make, represent as, material; cause (spirit) to appear, (of spirit) appear, in bodily form; (chiefly U.S.) become actual fact; make materialistic. Hence ~*A'TION* n. [-IZE]

matér'ia mēd'ica, n. Remedial substances used in practice of medicine. [med. L]

matériel (matāriēl'), n. Stock-in-trade, available means (opp. *personnel*). [F, as MATERIAL]

matér'n'al, a. Of mothers; motherly; related on the mother's side, as ~ *uncle*, mother's brother; (joc.) one's mother's. Hence ~*LY²* adv. [f. F *maternel* f. L *maternus* (mater mother), see -AL]

matér'n'ity, n. Motherhood; motherliness; ~ *hospital*, nurse, ward, (for women during confinement); ~ *robe*, *skirt*, (suitable for wear by pregnant woman). [f. F *maternité* f. L *maternitatem* (prec., -TY)]

mathēmāt'ical, a. Of mathematics; (of proofs etc.) rigorously precise. Hence ~*LY²* adv. [f. L f. Gk *mathēmatikos* (*mathēma* science f. *manthanō*, root *math-*, learn, see -IC)]

mathēmāt'ics, n. pl. (usu. treated as sing.). (Also *pure ~*) abstract science of space & number; (also *mixed*, *applied*, ~) this applied to branches of physical research, e.g. astronomy. So **mathēmat'ician** (-ishn) n. [as prec., see -IC]

mat'i'cō (-tō), n. Peruvian shrub; its leaves used as styptic. [Sp., dim of *Mateo* Matthew]

māt'in, n. (PL) one of canonical hours of breviary, prop. a midnight office, but also recited at daybreak; (pl.) morning prayer in Church of England (often *matins*); (poet., sing. or pl.) morning song of birds. [f. F *matines* f. eocl. L *matutinas*, acc. fem. pl. adj. as n. (*Matuta* goddess of morning, see -IN¹)]

matinée (māt'inā), n. Afternoon theatrical or musical performance (*the ~ hat*, lady's hat obstructing, also hat designed not to obstruct, view of stage). [F, = what occupies a morning (*matin* morning, -ADE)]

māt'lō, -low (-lō). See MATELOT.

māt'rāse, n. Long-necked glass vessel with round or oval body, used for distilling etc. [f. F *matras*, etym. dub.]

māt'riarch (-k), n. Woman corresponding in status to patriarch (usu. joc.). [f. L *mater* mother on false anal. of *patriarch*]

māt'riarchy (-k-), n. Social organization in which mother is head of family. So **mātrīarch** 'AL (-k-) a. [prec. + -Y¹]

māt'ricide, n. One who kills his, killing of one's, own mother. So ~AL a. [f. L *matricida* (MATER, see -CIDE)]

matric'ūlāte, v.t. & i. Admit (student) to privileges of university; (intr.) be thus admitted. Hence ~ATION n., ~ATORY a. [f. L *matricula* register, dim. of MATRIX, + -ATE¹]

māt'rimony, n. 1. Rite of marriage; state of being married. 2. A card game; combination of king & queen of trumps in some card games. So **mātrimon'ial** a., **mātrimon'ially** adv. [f. OF *matrimoine* f. L *matrimonium* (mater -tris mother, see -MONY)]

māt'rix, n. (pl. -ices pr. -isēs, -ices). Womb; place in which thing is developed; formative part of animal organ; mass of rock etc. enclosing gems etc.; (Biol.) substance between cells; mould in which type etc. is cast or shaped. [L, prob. f. *mater* mother]

māt'ron, n. Married woman; woman managing domestic affairs of hospital, school, etc. Hence ~AGE(1, 2), ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~AL, ~LY¹, aa. [f. F *matrone* f. L *matrona* (mater mother)]

mätt, Var. of MAT² (esp. Photogr.).

mätt'amōre, n. Subterranean dwelling or storehouse. [f. F *matamore* f. Arab. *maṣmūrah* (kamara store up)]

mätt'er¹, n. 1. Substance(s) of which a physical thing is made. 2. Purulent discharge, whence ~Y² a., purulent, fostering. 3. Physical substance in general, as opp. to spirit, mind, etc. 4. (Logic) particular content of proposition, distinguished from its form. 5. Material for thought or expression; substance of book, speech, etc. (often opp. to *manner*). 6. Occasion (of, for, complaint, regret, etc.). 7. Thing(s), as *printed* ~; *postal* ~, all that may be sent by post; *no* ~, it is of no importance (*when, how, etc.*, or abs.); *what* ~?, that need not disquiet us. 8. Affair; thing (of a kind specified esp. by vbl n.), as *a hanging* ~, *no laughing* ~, *money* ~; *that* is a ~ (case, question) of *habit* etc.; *for that* ~, so far as that is concerned; *a* ~ of (about) 40 years; *what is the* ~?, what is amiss (*with*)? (*what is the* ~ *with* —?, si., surely — will do); *in the* ~ of, as regards. 9. ~ of course (also as adj., w. hyphens), thing to be expected in natural course; ~ of fact, what pertains to the sphere of fact (opp. to *opinion* etc.), esp. as a ~ of fact, (Law) part of judicial inquiry concerned with truth of alleged facts (opp. to ~ of law), (adj., with hyphens) unimaginative, prosaic. [f. OF *matere* f. L *materia* timber, stuff]

mätt'er², v.i. 1. Be of importance, signify, (to person etc. *how, when, etc.*; esp. w. neg.). 2. Secrete or discharge pus. [f. prec.]

mätt'ing, n. In vbl senses (MAT²), esp. fabric of hemp, bast, grass, etc. as covering etc., as *coco-nut* ~. [-ING¹]

mattns. See MATIN.

mätt'ock, n. Tool of PICK' shape, with an adze & a chisel edge as ends of head. [OE *maluc*, etym. dub.]

mätt'oid, n. Person of erratic mind, compound of genius & fool. [f. It. *mattoide* (*matto* mad)]

mätt'rēss, n. Canvas case stuffed with hair, straw, etc., as bed or support for bed; (usu. *spring* ~) similar appliance of springs stretched in frame. [f. OF *materas* f. It. *materasso* prob. f. Arab. *almafrah* place, cushion (*faraḥa* throw)]

mätt'ūrate, v.i. (mod.). (Of pustule etc.) come to maturation. [as MATURE², -ATE²]

mätt'ūration, n. Ripening of morbid matter; causing of this, whence **mātūr'ative** a.; ripening of fruit; maturing, development. [F, f. L *maturationem* (as MATURE², see -ATION)]

mātūrē¹, a. Complete in natural development; with fully developed powers of body & mind; ~ (careful) *deliberation*, ~ *plans* (formed after this); (of bill) due. So ~LY² (-ri-) adv., ~NESS (-rn-), **mātūr'ity**, nn. [f. L *maturus* ripe]

mātūrē², v.t. & i. Develop fully; ripen; perfect (plan etc.); come to maturity; (of bill) become due. [f. obs. F *maturer* f. L *maturare* (as prec.); & f. prec.]

mātūt'in'al (or **mātūt'in'al**), a. Of, occurring in, the morning; early. So **māt'ūtine** a. [f. L *matutinalis* (*matutinus* f. *Matula* goddess of dawn)]

maud, n. Scots shepherd's grey striped plaid; travelling-rug like this. [?]

maud'lin, a. & n. Mawkishly sentimental, esp. of tearful stage of drunkenness; (n.) mawkish sentiment. [(adj. f. n.) f. OF *Madeleine* MAGDALEN]

|| **mau'gre** (-ger), prep. (arch.). In spite of. [f. OF *maugre* (*mal* bad f. L *malus* + *grē* f. L *gratus* pleasing)]

maul¹, **mail** (maw), n. Kinds of special hammer, commonly of wood. [f. F *mail* f. L *malleus* hammer]

maul², v.t. Beat & bruise; handle (material thing, subject, quotation) roughly or carelessly; damage by criticism. [f. prec.]

maul'ey, n. (sl.). Fist, hand. [prob. f. prec.]

maul'stick, **mahl-**, n. Light stick held by painter in left hand as support for right, with padded leather ball at one end. [f. Du. *maalestok* (*malen* paint + *stok* stick)]

maund, n. Asiatic measure of weight of varying value (Indian standard ~ = 82½ lb.). [Hind. & Pers. *man*, cogn. w. Gk *mnā* & L *mina*]

maun'der, v.i. Move, act, listlessly; talk in dreamy or rambling manner. [?]

maun'dy, n. (in R.-O. countries) ceremony of washing the feet of poor people

(John xiii. 14); (In English use) distribution of ~ money by royal almoner to the poor on *M~ Thursday* (next before Easter). [f. OF *mandé* f. L. *mandatum* MANDATE]

Mau'ser (mowz'), n. Kind of magazine rifle or pistol. [Inventor's name]

mausole'um, n. Magnificent tomb, orig. that of Mausolus king of Caria erected by his queen Artemisia in 4th c. B.C. [L. f. Gk. *Mausoleion* (*Mausolos*)]

mauvais (mô'vâ, & see Ap.), a. ~ *sufet* (see Ap.), black sheep, rogue; ~ *quart d'heure* (kârdêr', & see Ap.), short but unpleasant experience, interview, etc. [F] **mauvaise honte** (môvâz'awnt, & see Ap.), n. False shame; painful diffidence. [F, -ill shame]

mauve (môv), n. & a. 1. Bright but delicate purple dye from coal-tar aniline. 2. adj. Of the colour of this. [F, f. L. *malva* MALLOW] ***mă'verick**, n., & v.i. Unbranded calf or yearling; (transf.) masterless person, rover; (v.i.) stray. [f. S. A. *M~*, Texas engineer who owned unbranded cattle c. 1850]

mă'vis, n. (poet.). Song-thrush. [f. F *mauvais*=Sp. *malvis*, etym. dub.]

mavour'neen (-oor-), n. & int. My darling. [Ir. *mo mhúirín*]

maw, n. Stomach (only joc. of men); esp. last of ruminant's four stomachs; ~ *worm*, intestinal worm, also [f. *Maw-worm*, character in Bickerstaffe's play *The Hypocrite*] hypocrite. [com.-Teut.: OE *maga*, Du. *maag*, G *magen*]

maw'lish, a. Of faint sickly flavour; feebly sentimental. Hence ~ *LY*^a adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. obs. *mawke* maggot f. ON *maðkr* + -ISH¹]

maw'seed, n. Seed of opium poppy. [f. G (dial.) *mohsamen* (G *mohn* poppy)]

mă'kill' [a, n. (pl. ~ *ae*). Jaw(bone), esp. upper jaw in animals & most vertebrates. Hence ~ *ARY*¹, ~ *IFORM*, aa. [L]

măx'im', n. A general truth drawn from science or experience; principle, rule of conduct. [f. F *maxime* f. L. *maxima*, fem. adj., greatest]

Măx'im', n. Single-barrelled quick-firing machine gun, with water-casing to keep parts cool. [Sir Hiram S~, inventor]

măx'imălist, n. Person who holds out for the maximum of his demands & rejects compromises. [*maximum*, -AL, -IST]

măx'imiz'e, v.t. Increase, magnify, to the utmost; interpret (doctrine etc.) vigorously. Hence ~ *ATION* n. [f. L. *maximus* greatest + -IZE]

măx'imum, n. (pl. usu. -*ima*). Highest possible magnitude or quantity (often attrib.); ~ *price* (that may not be exceeded); ~ *thermometer* (recording highest temperature within given period). [L, neut. as prec.]

|| **măx'imus**, a. (In schools) eldest of the , as *Jones* ~. [see MAXIMUS]

may¹, v. auxil. (3rd sing. *may*; past *might*, pr. mlt; no infin. or part. or gerund).

1. Expr. possibility, as *it ~ be true* (neg. *it cannot be*), *it ~ not be* (perhaps is not) *true, you ~ walk miles without seeing one, he ~ or might* (perhaps will) *lose his way, I was afraid he might* (perhaps would) *lose his way, afraid he might have* (perhaps had) *lost it*. 2. Expr. permission, as *you ~* (neg. *MUST*⁴ not or cannot) *go, I wish I might; you might* (I request you to) *call at the baker's; you might* (ought to, yet do not) *offer to help, you might* (ought to) *have offered*. 3. (In final clauses, & after *wish, fear, etc.*) *take, took, such a course as ~, might, avert the danger; I hope he ~, hoped he might, succeed*. 4. (Expr. wish) *~ you live to repent it!* 5. (In questions, emphasizing uncertainty) *who ~ you be?* 6. ~ *be* (also arch. ~ *hăp*), perhaps; *might-have-been*, a past possibility. [com.-Teut.: OE *mæg*, past *meahte*, Du. *mag*, *mocht*, G *mag*, *mochte*]

may², n. (poet.). Maiden. [OE has *mæg* kinswoman]

May³, n. 1. Fifth month of year; (fig.) bloom, prime; *Queen of (the) ~*, girl chosen to be queen of games on ~ Day. 2. (*may*). Hawthorn (blossom). 3. || (Camb. Univ., pl.) ~ examination, ~ boat-races held during ~ Week (late in ~ or early in June). 4. ~ *Day*, *May 1* (*mayday*⁴, keeping this, picking may); || *Mayfair*, fashionable London district enclosed by Park Lane, Oxford Street, Regent Street, & Piccadilly (named from fair formerly held in ~); *mayfly*, an ephemeral insect; ~ *games*, on ~ Day; *may'pole*, pole painted & decked with flowers, for dancing round on ~ Day; || ~ *meetings* (of religious & philanthropic societies held during ~ in London). [f. F *mai* f. L. *Maivs*]

ma'ya (mah-), n. (Hind. philos.) Illusion. [Skr.]

Ma'yan (mah-), a. Of the ancient culture of the Mayas before their conquest by the TOLETECS.

may'hëm, n. (hist.). Crime of maiming a person so as to render him partly or wholly defenceless. [f. AF *mahaym*, cf. MAIM]

mayonnaise' (-ăz), n. (*Salmon, chicken, etc.*, ~, dish with dressing of eggs, oil, cream, vinegar, etc. [F])

mayor (măr), n. Head of municipal corporation of city or borough; LORD ~; ~ of the palace, nominal subordinate to whom the power of his titular superior has passed (see *ROI fainéant*). Hence **may'oral** a. [f. F *maire*, as MAJOR²]

may'oralty, n. Mayor's (period of) office. [f. OF *mairallé* (as prec., see -AL & -RY)]

may'orëss, n. Mayor's wife; female mayor; lady fulfilling ceremonial duties of ~. [-*ess*¹]

măz'ard, n. (arch.). Head, face; [perh. different wd.] small black cherry. [prob. f. obs. *mazer* f. OF *maazre* of Teut. orig.]

māsarine' (-ēn), n. & a. Deep rich blue. [?] **Mās'daism**, n. Zoroastrianism. [f. Avestic *masda*, good principle in Persian theology]

māze, n., & v.t. 1. Complex network of paths, labyrinth; confused mass etc. 2. v.t. Bewilder, confuse, (esp. in p.p.). Hence **māz'ily'** adv., **māz'iness** n., **māz'y'** a. [?]

māz'er, n. (hist.). Hard-wood drinking-bowl, usu. silver-mounted. [as **MAZARD**; cf. MHG *māser* maple]

mazūrka, n. Lively Polish dance like polka; music for this in triple time. [Polish, = woman of province Mazovia]

me (mē, mī), pron., objective case of I (& colloq. subjective, as *it's only me*); (arch. & poet., reflexive) myself, *I laid me down*; (in int.) *ah me!*, *dear me!* [OE had (1) *me*, cf. Du. *mij*, L *me*, Gk *eme*; (2) *mec* (lost in ME), cf. G *mich*, Gk *emege* me at least]

mead¹, n. Alcoholic liquor of fermented honey & water. [com.-Teut. & Aryan; OE *meodu*, Du. *mede*, G *met*; cf. Skr. *mādhu* honey, sweet drink, Gk *methu* wine]

mead², n. (poet.). = foll. [see foll.]

meadow (mēd'ō), n. Piece of grass land, esp. one used for hay; low well-watered ground, esp. near river; ~ *pipit*, titlark; ~ *sweet*, rosaceous plant common in moist ~s, with creamy-white heads & fragrant flowers. Hence ~y² (mēd'ōi) a. [OE *mēdwe* oblique case of *mēd* (whence prec.) f. Teut. root *me-*, whence *now*²]

meagre (-ger), a. (Of persons etc.) lean, thin; poor, scanty; (of literary composition, ideas, etc.) wanting in fullness. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n., (-ger-). [f. OF *maigre* f. L *macer* -cri, cogn. w. Gk *makros* long]

meal¹, n. Edible part of any grain or pulse (usu. exc. *flour*) ground to powder; whole ~. [com.-Teut.: OE *mele*, Du. *meel*, G *mehl*, f. Teut. root *mel-*, cogn. w. L *molere* grind]

meal², n., & v.l. Customary (also, any) occasion of taking food; food so taken (*make a ~ of*, consume); || quantity of milk given by cow at a milking; ~time, usual time of eating; (v.l.) eat a ~. [(vb f. n.) com.-Teut.: OE *mēl* mark, fixed time, meal, Du. *maal*, G *mal* time, *mahl* meal]

meal'ie, n. (S.-Afr.). Maize (usu. pl.). [f. Cape Du. *mijle* f. Port. *milho* MILLER]

meal'y, a. Of, like, containing, meal; (of boiled potatoes) dry & powdery; ~ *bug*, insect infesting vines etc.; ~ *primrose* (mauve-flowered with powdery stem); (of horses) spotty; (of complexion) pale; (usu. ~mouthed) apt to mince matters, soft-spoken. Hence **meal'iness** n. [MEAL¹ + y²]

mean¹, n. 1. Condition, quality, course, equally removed from two opposites (usu.

blamable) extremes, esp. the golden, happy, ~. 2. (Math.) term between first & last terms of arithmetical, geometrical, etc., progression. 3. pl. (Often treated as sing., as a ~s) that by which a result is brought about, as *it has been the ~s of extending our trade, by fair ~s, ways & ~s, ~s of grace* (sacraments etc.). 4. Pecuniary resources, as *he lives beyond his, on his own, ~s* (also attrib., as ~s test); wealth, as *a man of ~s*. 5. *By all (manner of) ~s*, in every possible way, at any cost, certainly; *by no (manner of) ~s*, not at all, certainly not; *by ~s* (the instrumentality) of (person, thing, doing). [f. foll.]

mean², a. (Math.) equally far from two extremes, as *5 is the ~ quantity between 2 & 8*; ~ *sea level* (half-way between those of high and low water); ~ *sun*, fictitious sun moving in celestial equator at ~ rate of real sun; ~ *proportional*, second of three quantities of which first is to it as it to third; *in the ~* (intervening) time, while; ~time, ~while, adv., in the ~ time. [f. OF *men*, *moien*, f. LL *medianus* (medius mid, see -AN)]

mean³, a. (Of capacity, understanding, etc.) inferior, poor; (Hist.) ~ *white*, landless white man in S. United States; not imposing in appearance, shabby; *he is no ~* (a good) scholar; ignoble, small-minded; stingy; * (colloq.) secretly ashamed (*feel ~*). Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [OE *gemēne* common, cf. Du. *gemeen*, G *gemein*, cogn. w. L *communis* COMMON]

mean⁴, v.t. (~t, pr. mēnt). Purpose, have in mind, (*mischief, business, to do*); design, destiny, for an object etc., as ~ *it to be used*, ~ *it for a stopgap, he was ~t* (by parents etc., also, by Providence) *for a soldier*; *I ~ you to* (am determined that you shall) *go*; ~ *well to*, *be*, be kindly disposed towards; intend to convey (specified sense) or indicate (object), as *I ~ that he is stingy, I ~ his father*; (of a person) be of (specified) importance to (another); (of words) signify, import, (thing, that); *what do you ~ by* (how do you justify) *it?* [com.-WG: OE *mēnan*, Du. *meenen*, G *meinen*]

mean'der, n., & v.l. 1. (Pl.) sinuous windings of river; (pl.) winding paths; (usu. pl.) circuitous journey; ornamental pattern of lines winding in & out. 2. v.l. Wander at random, (of stream) wind about. [(vb f. n.) L, f. Gk *Meandros*, river in Phrygia]

mean'drine, a. Full of windings (esp. of genus of corals with surface like human brain). [MEANDER + -INE¹]

mean'ing¹, n. What is meant; with ~, significantly. Hence ~ness a. [-ING¹]

mean'ing², a. Expressive, significant, whence ~ly² adv.; well~, having good intention. [-ING²]

mean'sies (-sies), n. pl. Infectious disease

of man, marked by red spots on skin; such spots; disease in swine; GERMAN¹ ~. [ME *mascles*, cf. Du. *maselen*, cogn. w. OHG *masala* blood-blisters]

meas'ly (-z), a. Of, affected with, measles; (sl.) contemptible, worthless. [f. prec. + -y²]

measure¹ (mězh'er), n. 1. Size, quantity, found by measuring, whence ~LESS a., beyond ~, infinite; *short, full, ~*, less, not less, than professed amount; || *clothes made to ~* (in accordance with measurements taken); *take (person's) ~*, measure him for clothes etc., (fig.) gauge his character, abilities, etc. 2. Degree or extent or amount (esp. in a or some ~, partly). 3. Vessel of standard capacity for dealing out liquids etc., as *pint ~*. 4. Rod, tape, etc., for measuring, as *tape ~*, *yard ~*. 5. Unit of capacity, e.g. bushel, as *20 ~s of wheat*. 6. System of measuring, as *liquid, linear, ~*. 7. That by which a thing is computed, as a *chain's weakest link is the ~ of its strength*. 8. Quantity contained in another an exact number of times; *greatest common ~* (greatest that divides each of given quantities). 9. Prescribed extent or quantity, as *set ~s to*, limit, *beyond ~*, excessively. 10. Poetical rhythm, metre; time of piece of music; (Mus.) bar; (arch.) dance, as *tread a ~*. 11. Suitable action, as *take ~*. 12. Legislative enactment. [L. F. *mesure* f. L. *mensura* (*metiri* *mens-* measure, -URE)]

measur[e]² (mězh'er), v. t. 1. Ascertain extent or quantity of (thing) by comparison with fixed unit or with object of known size; ascertain size & proportions of (person) for clothes. 2. Look (person) up & down with one's eye. 3. Mark off or off (line etc. of given length). 4. ~e one's length, fall prostrate; ~e swords, (of duellists) see that swords are of equal length, (fig.) try one's strength with (person); *it ~es 7 inches* (is 7 inches long). 5. Estimate (immaterial thing, person's character, etc.) by some standard or rule. 6. Deal out (thing to person). 7. Bring (one's strength etc.) into competition with (another's). 8. (poet.). Traverse (distance). Hence ~ABLE (mězh'er-) a. (*within ~able distance* of ruin etc., getting near it), ~ABLY² adv., ~EMENT (mězh'er-) n. (esp., pl., detailed dimensions). [L. F. *mesurer* (as prec.)]

mea'sured (mězh'er'd), a. In vbl senses, also: rhythmical, regular in movement, as ~ *tread*; (of language) carefully weighed. [p.p. of prec.]

meat, n. Animal flesh as food, usu. (also *butcher's ~*) excluding fish & poultry; *green ~*, grass, green vegetables, as food; (arch.) food of any kind (as *full as an egg is of ~*, quite full; *one man's ~ is another man's poison*); *this was ~ & drink to great pleasure to him*; (arch.) meal, as

before, after, ~; ~-safe, cupboard for storing ~, usu. of wire gauze etc.; (Bibl.) ~-offering (R.V. *meal*), sacrifice of flour & oil. Hence ~'LESS a. [OE *meta*, cf. Sw. *mat*, Da. *mad*]

médit'us, n. (anat.; pl. -*ūs, -uses*). Channel, passage, in the body, as *auditory ~*, channel of the ear. [L. f. *meare* flow, run]

meat'y, a. Full of meat, fleshy; (fig.) full of substance; of or like meat. [-y²]

Měcc'a, n. Mohammed's birthplace; (fig.) place one aspires to visit, (also) birthplace of a faith, policy, pursuit, etc. [f. Arab. *makkah*]

měcca'nō (-ah-), n. Set of miniature parts from which engineering models can be constructed. [P]

měchān'ic (-k-), n. 1. Handicraftsman; skilled workman, esp. one who makes or uses machinery. 2. pl. Branch of applied mathematics treating of motion & tendencies to motion, (also) science of machinery. [f. L. f. Gk. *mēkhanikos* adj. (as MACHINE, see -IC)]

měchān'ical (-k-), a. Of machines or mechanism; *the ~ powers*, lever, wheel & axle, pulley, inclined plane, wedge, screw; of the nature of handicraft; working, produced, by machinery; ~ *drawing* (done with compasses etc.); ~ *transport* (abbr. M.T.), motor branch of R.A.S.C.; (of persons or actions) like machines, automatic, lacking originality; (of agencies, principles, etc.) belonging to mechanics, often opp. to *chemical*, as *air is a ~ mixture, not a chemical compound*; (of theories etc.) explaining phenomena by assumption of ~ action, whence ~ISM n.; of mechanics as a science. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS a. [as prec., see -AL]

měchani'cian (-kanishn), n. One skilled in constructing machinery. [MECHANIC + -IAN]

měch'anism (-k-), n. Structure, adaptation of parts, of machine (lit. & fig.); system of mutually adapted parts working together (as) in machine; (Art) mechanical execution, technique. [f. MECHANIC + -ISM]

měch'anist (-k-), n. Machinist (now rare); mechanician, expert in mechanics; (Philos.) one who holds that all natural phenomena admit of mechanical explanation (opp. VITALIST), whence ~IS'TIC a. [as prec. + -IST]

měch'aniz'e (-k-), v. t. Give mechanical character to. Hence ~ATION n., (esp.) substitution of motor transport for horse-drawn vehicles, replacement of cavalry by tanks & armoured cars, etc. [-IZE]

Měch'lin (-k-), n. (Also ~ *lace*) lace made at ~ in Belgium.

měcōn'ic, a. ~ *acid*, white crystalline acid obtained from opium. [f. Gk. *mēkon* poppy + -IC]

méd'al, n. Piece of metal, usu. in form of coin, struck or cast with inscription & device to commemorate event etc., also

awarded as distinction to soldier, scholar, etc., for services rendered, proficiency, etc.; the reverse of the ~, other side of question; ~ play (Golf), play in which the score is reckoned by counting the number of strokes taken for the round. Hence ~LEP³ (-ld), médall'io, aa. [f. F *médaille* f. pop. L **metalla* (as METAL)]

médall'ion (-yon), n. Large medal; thing so shaped, e.g. decorative panel or tablet, portrait, etc. [f. F *médailion* (as prec., see -OON)]

méd'allist, n. Engraver, designer, of medals; recipient of medal, as gold ~. [-IST]

méd'dle, v.i. Busy oneself unduly with, interfere in. Hence ~ER¹, ~esomeness, nn., ~esome (-dls-) a. [f. OF *medler* = *mesler* f. pop. L **misculare* (*miscere* mix)]

méd'ta, n. (pl. -ae). Voiced or soft mute (b, d, g), cf. TENUIS; middle membrane of artery or vessel. [L, fem. of *medius* middle]

médiaev'al, -diēv'al, a. Of, imitating, the middle ages. Hence ~ISM(2), ~IST(3), nn., ~IZE(2, 3) v.t. & i., ~LY² adv. [f. L *medius* middle + *aeuum* age + -AL]

méd'ial, a. Situated in the middle; of average dimensions. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL *medialis* (as prec., see -AL)]

méd'ian, a. & n. Situated in the middle; (n., Anat.) ~ artery, vein, nerve, etc. [f. L *medianus* (as prec., see -AN)]

méd'iant, n. (mus.). Third of any scale. [f. It. *mediante* (as MEDIATE², see -ANT)]

médiāstin'um, n. (anat.). Membranous middle septum, esp. between lungs. Hence ~AL a. [med. L, neut. adj., = middle, f. L *medius*]

méd'iate¹, a. Connected not directly but through some other person or thing; involving intermediate agency. Hence ~LY² adv. [as foll., see -ATE²]

méd'iāte², v.i. & t. Form connecting link between; intervene (between two persons) for purpose of reconciling them; be the medium for bringing about (result) or conveying (gift etc.). So ~A'TION n. [f. LL *mediare* (*medius* middle), see -ATE²]

méd'iatiz'e, v.t. Annex (principality) to another State, leaving former sovereign his title & some rights of government. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. F *médiatiser* (*médial*, as MEDIATE¹, see -IZE)]

méd'iātor, n. One who mediates, esp. Christ. Hence or cogn. **médiātor'ial**, **méd'iātory**, aa., **méd'iātrix** n. [f. F *médiateur* f. LL *mediatore* (as MEDIATE², see -OR¹)]

méd'icable, a. Admitting of remedial treatment. [f. L *medicabilis* (as MEDICATE, see -BLE)]

méd'ical, a. & n. 1. Of the healing art; ~ man, physician or surgeon; of medicine as opp. to surgery, obstetrics, etc.; requiring ~, not surgical, treatment; ~ jurisprudence, the legal knowledge re-

quired of a doctor. 2. n. (colloq.) ~ student. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *médical* f. LL *medicālis* (*medicus* physician, see -AL)]

médic'ament (or *médét*), n. Substance used in curative treatment. [f. F *médicament* f. L *medicamentum* (as MEDICATE, see -MENT)]

méd'icāster, n. Quack. [f. L *medicus* physician, see -ASTER]

méd'icāte, v.t. Treat medically; impregnate with medicinal substance. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *medicari* (as prec.), see -ATE²]

Médicē'an, a. Of the Medici family, rulers of Florence in 15th c. [f. med. L *Mediceus* + -AN]

méd'icinal, a. Of medicine; having healing properties. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *medicinalis* (as foll., see -AL)]

medicine (méd'sn), n., & v.t. 1. Art of restoring & preserving health, esp. by means of remedial substances & regulation of diet etc., as opp. to surgery & obstetrics; substance, esp. one taken internally, used in this; (among savages) spell, charm, fetish, as ~man, magician; take one's ~, submit to the disagreeable; ~ ball, stuffed leather ball thrown & caught as means of exercise. 2. v.t. (arch.). Give ~ to, cure with ~. [(vb f. OF *medeciner*) f. OF *medecine* f. L *medicina* (*medicus* physician)]

méd'icō, n. (Joc.; pl. ~s). Doctor. [It.]

méd'ico-in comb. = L *medicus* physician, medical-, as ~botan'ical, ~galvan'ic, ~judi'cial. See MEDIAEVAL.

méd'iōcre (-ker), a. Of middling quality, indifferent, neither good nor bad. So **médiōc'rity** n. (in adj. senses, & esp. ~ person). [f. F *médiocre* f. L *mediocris* of middle degree (*medius* middle)]

méd'itāte, v.t. & i. Plan mentally, design; (intr.) exercise the mind in (esp. religious) contemplation (on, upon, subject). Hence or cogn. **méditā'tion**, ~OR², ~IVENESS, nn., ~IVE a., ~ively² adv. [f. L *meditari*, f. root *med-*, cf. Gk *meiomai* think about]

méditerrā'nēan, a. & n. (Of land) remote from coast; (of water surfaces) landlocked; M~ (Sea), that which separates Europe from Africa. [f. L *mediterraneus* (*medius* middle + *terra* land) + -AN]

méd'ium, n. & a. (pl. -a, -ums). 1. Middle quality, degree, etc. (between extremes, or abs.); intervening substance through which impressions are conveyed to senses etc., e.g. air; (fig.) conditions of life; agency, means, as by, through, the ~ of; ~ of circulation, what serves as instrument of commercial transactions, e.g. coin; liquid vehicle with which pigments are mixed, e.g. oil, water; person claiming ultraphysical perception and revealing its results to others, whence ~ISM n., ~is'tic a., ~ISM(3) v.t. 2. adj. Inter-

- mediate between two degrees or amounts, average, moderate; ~ *bowler* (neither fast nor slow); ~ *wave* (Wireless), having a wave-length between 100 & 800 metres. [L, neut. of *medius* middle]
- méd'lar**, n. (Tree with) fruit like small brown apple, eaten when decayed. [f. OF *medler* f. L f. Gk *mespilē*]
- méd'ley**, n. (pl. ~s), a., & v.t. Heterogeneous mixture; mixed company; literary miscellany; (adj.) mixed, motley; (v.t.) make a ~ of, intermix. [(vb & a. f. n.) f. OF *medlee* (as MEDDLE)]
- Médóc'** (mā-), n. Red wine from ~, district in S.W. France.
- medūll'a**, n. Marrow of bones; spinal marrow; ~ (*oblongat'a* prolonged) hindmost segment of brain; central parts of some organs, esp. kidney; pith of mammalian hair; soft internal tissue of plants. So **medūll'ary** a. [L, = pith, marrow, prob. cogn. w. *medius* middle]
- medūs'** [a, n. (pl. ~ae, ~as). 1. (Gk Myth.; M~a) one of the three Gorgons, with snakes for hair. 2. (Zool.) jelly-fish, whence ~AL, ~AN, aa., ~OID a. & n. [L, f. Gk *Medousa*]
- meed**, n. (poet.). Reward; merited portion (of praise etc.). [OE *mēd*, cf. MDu. *miede*, G *miete*, cogn. w. Gk *misthos* reward, Skr. *midha* prize]
- meek**, a. Plausibly humble & submissive; submitting tamely to injury etc.; (prov.) as ~ as a lamb, as *Moses*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME *meoc* f. ON *miukr* soft, gentle]
- meer'kāt**, n. Small S.-Afr. mammal like an ichneumon. [Du.]
- meer'schaum** (-shm), n. Hydrous silicate of magnesium, found in soft white masses; tobacco-pipe with ~ bowl. [G, = sea-foam (*meer* sea + *schaum* foam)]
- meet**¹, n. Meeting of hounds & men for hunt or of cyclists etc. [f. foll.]
- meet**², v.t. & i. (*mēt*). 1. Come face to face with (person coming from opposite direction); go to place to receive (person, train, etc.) on arrival; make the acquaintance of (imperat., U.-S. form of introduction, as ~ *Dr Smith*); ~ (person) *half-way*, respond to friendly advances of, come to compromise with. 2. (Of line, road, etc.) reach point of contact with (another line etc.). 3. ~ *the eye, ear*, be visible, audible by person's eye, see he is looking at one. (also) return his gaze. 4. Oppose in battle or duel; grapple with (evils etc.). 5. Come by accident or design into the company of. 6. Come into conformity with (person, his wishes). 7. Satisfy (demand; ~ *the case*, be adequate); pay (bill) at maturity. 8. (Of two or more persons) come face to face; come together, as *they had or were met together*. 9. Come into contact. (*waistcoat won't ~, is too small*; (of qualities) unite in same person. *They ~ with*, come across (person, obstacle, etc.), experience (treatment etc.). [OE *mētan*, cf. Du. *moeten*, Da. *møde*, cogn. w. MOOT n.]
- meet**³, a. (arch.). Suitable, fit, proper, (for thing, to do, to be done); it is ~ (proper) *that*. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [ME *mēte* prob. repr. OE **gemēte* f. OTent. *gamēttje* (ga- Y- + *mēta* measure)]
- meet'ing**, n. In vbl senses, esp.: duel; race ~; assembly of people for entertainment etc.; assembly for worship; persons assembled, as *address the ~*; ~ *house*, place of worship (usu. disparaging exc. of Quakers); ~ *place* (appointed for ~). [MEET¹ + -ING¹]
- mēg'a-** in comb. = Gk *megas* great, as: ~cephal'ic, large-headed; ~lith, large stone, esp. as monument; ~lith'ic, made of, marked by use of, large stones; ~phone, instrument for carrying sound a long distance, large speaking-trumpet (v.t., announce with ~phone); ~pōde, ~pōd, genus of mound-building birds (lit. large-footed); ~scope, kind of magic lantern; ~scop'ic, visible to naked eye; ~ther'ium, extinct genus of huge herbivorous sloth-like animals; ~watt, 1,000 kilowatts.
- mēg'alo-** in comb. = Gk *megas* (fem. *megalē*) great, as: ~man'ia, insanity of self-exaltation, passion for big things; ~saur'us, extinct genus of huge carnivorous lizards.
- mēgāss(e)**, n. Fibrous residue after expression of sugar from cane. [f]
- mēgg'er** (-g-), n. (electr.). Apparatus for measuring insulation resistance. [P; cf. MEGOHM]
- mēgilp'** (-g-), n. Vehicle (usu. linseed oil & turpentine) for oil colours. [f]
- mēg'ohm** (-ōm), n. (electr.). Unit of resistance (one million ohms). [MEGA- + OHM]
- mēg'rim**¹, n. Severe headache usu. on one side only; whim, fancy; (pl.) low spirits, vapours; (pl.) staggers, vertigo, in horses etc. [f. F *migraine* f. L f. Gk *HEMI(krania f. kranion skull)*]
- mēg'rim**², n. (Local name for) the smooth sole or similar flat fish. [f]
- meios'is** (miō-), n. = LITOTES. [Gk *meiōsis* (*meiōs* lessen, f. *meiōn* less, see -OSIS)]
- meis'tersinger** (mīs-), n. pl. & sing. German lyric poets & musicians of 14th-16th cc. organized in guilds & having elaborate technique; (sing.) member of such guild. [G (*master*)]
- mēkōm'ēter**, n. Portable military range-finder. [f. Gk *mēkos* length + -METER]
- mēlanchōl'ia** (-k-), n. Emotional mental disease marked by depression & ill-grounded fears. [LL, see MELANCHOLY]
- mēlanchōl'ic** (-k-), a. Melancholy; liable to melancholy. [f. LL f. Gk *melancholikos* (as foll., see -IC)]
- mēl'ancholy** (-k-), n. & a. 1. (Habitual or constitutional tendency to) sadness &

depression; pensive sadness. 2. adj. (Of persons) sad, gloomy; (of things) saddening, depressing. [adj. f. n.] OF (-lie), f. L f. Gk *melagkholia* (*melas* black *khole* bile)]

mélange (see Ap.), n. Mixture, medley. [F (*mélér* mix, as MEDLEY)]

mél'anism, n. Darkness of colour resulting from abnormal development of black pigment in epidermis, hair, etc. [f. Gk *melas* -*anos* black + -ISM]

mél'anóch'ról (-k-), n. pl. (anthrop.). Smooth-haired class of men with dark hair & pale complexion. [f. Gk *melano-khros* (*melas* black + *khros* skin)]

mél'anós'is, n. Morbid deposit, abnormal development, of black pigment in tissue; black cancer. Hence ~OT'IO (-ót-) a. [Gk *melanōsis* f. *melanoō* blacken (*melas* black), see -OSIS]

mélée (mél'á), n. Mixed fight, skirmish; lively debate. [F, as MEDLEY]

mél'ic, a. (Of poem, esp. Gk lyric) meant to be sung. [f. Gk *melikos* (*melos* song, -IO)]

mél'inite, n. An explosive of French invention. [f. F *mélinite* f. Gk *mēlinos* (*mēlon* apple), see -ITE¹]

mél'ior'ate, v.t. & i. Improve. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. LL *meliorare* (as foll.), -ATE²]

mél'ior'ism, n. Doctrine that the world may be made better by human effort. So ~IST n. [L *melior* better + -ISM]

mél'l'ay, n. (arch.). = MÉLÉE.

mél'lliferous, a. Yielding, producing, honey. [f. L *mellifer* (*mel* honey, see -FEROUS)]

mél'llif'luous (-lób-), a. (Of voice, words) sweet as honey. So ~ENCE n., ~ENT a., (-lób-). [f. L *mellifluus* (*mel* honey, *fluere* flow) + -OUS]

mél'l'ow (-ò), a. (~er, ~est), & v.t. & i. 1. (Of fruit) soft, sweet, & juicy; (of wine) well-matured; (of earth) rich, loamy; (of character) softened by age or experience; (of sound, colour, light) full & pure without harshness; genial, jovial; partly intoxicated. 2. vb. Make, become, ~. Hence ~LY² (-òli) adv., ~NESS (-òn-) n. [(vb f. adj.) perh. f. OE *mele* MEAL¹]

mél'ód'ëon, -dion, -dium, n. Small organ with suction-operated reeds; kind of accordion. [f. MELODY]

mél'ód'ious, a. Of, producing, melody; sweet-sounding. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *melodiosus* (as MELODY, see -OUS)]

mél'odist, n. Singer; composer of melodies. [f. MELODY + -IST]

mél'odize, v.i. & t. Make melody; make melodious. [f. MELODY + -IZE]

mélodra'ma (-rah-), n. Sensational dramatic piece with violent appeals to emotions & happy ending; language, behaviour, suggestive of this; (formerly) play with songs interspersed & with orchestral music accompanying the action. Hence **mélodramát'ic** a., **mélodramát'ic** adv., **mélodram'atic** n.,

mélodram'atix v.t. [earlier -*drame* f. F *mélodrame* (Gk *melos* music + F *drame* DRAMA)]

mél'od'y, n. Sweet music; musical arrangement of words; arrangement of single notes in musically expressive succession; principal part in harmonized music, air. [f. OF *melodie* f. LL f. Gk *melōidia* f. *melōidos* musical (*melos* song + *-oidos* singing f. *aeidō* sing)]

mél'on, n. Kinds of gourd, esp. WATER ~; ~cutting (sl.), sharing of spoils or profits. [F, f. LL *melonem* (nom. -lo), prob. shortened f. L (-po) f. Gk *mēlopepōn* (*mēlon* apple + *pepōn* gourd f. *pepōn* ripe)]

Mél'póm'enē, n. The MUSE¹ of tragedy. [Gk]

mél't¹, n. Melted metal; amount melted at a time. [f. foll.]

mél't², v.i. & t. (p.p. ~ed &, as adj. of metal, *mōllen*). Become liquefied by heat; ~ away, disappear thus: (colloq., of person) suffer extreme heat; (of tender food) it ~s (is easily dissolved) in the mouth; (of clouds) break into rain; (of person, heart, feelings) be softened by or with pity or love, dissolve into tears, esp. the ~ing mood, whence **mél't'ingly** adv.; dwindle away; (of sound) be soft & liquid; pass imperceptibly into (another form); reduce (metal etc.) to liquid condition by heat; ~ down (plate etc., to use the metal as raw material); go into the ~ing-pot (fig.) be revolutionized; soften (person, feelings). [OE (1) *meltan* Intr., (2) *mieltan* trans.; cf. ON *melta* digest]

mél'ton, n. Kind of cloth for men's clothes; || *M~ Mowbray* (mōb-) pie, kind of pastry. [M~ Mowbray, in Leics.]

mém'ber, n. Part, organ, of body, esp. limb; unruly ~, tongue; (fig.) ~ of Christ, Christian; constituent portion of complex structure; person belonging to a society etc.; M~ (one formally elected to take part in proceedings of Parliament (abbr. M.P., pl. M.M.P. or M.P.s); part, branch, of political body; division, clause, of sentence; group of figures, part of numerical expression. Hence (-)~ED² (-erd), ~LESS, aa. [f. F *membre* f. L *membrum* limb]

mém'bership, n. Being a member; number of members. [-SHIP]

mém'brane, n. Pliable sheet-like connective tissue or lining in animal or vegetable body; morbid formation in some diseases; skin of parchment, forming part of a roll. So **mémbrana'eous** (-ášhu), **mémbrana'sour**, **mém'branous**, aa. [f. L *membrana* ~, parchment, as MEMBER]

mém'brum v's-t'è, n. = FEMIS. [L, = male member]

mém'm'tò, n. (pl. ~es, ~s). Object serving as reminder or warning, or kept as memorial of person or event; ~ m'd'ri (=remember you must die), warning or

reminder of death (e.g. skull). [L, imperat. of *memintase* remember]
mēm'oir (-wā), n. Record of events, history written from personal knowledge or special sources of information; (auto-)biography; essay on learned subject specially studied by the writer. [f. F *mémoire* masc., spec. use of *mémoire* fem. MEMORY]

mēm'orabil'ia, n. pl. Memorable things. [L, neut. pl. as foll.]

mēm'orable, a. Worth remembering, not to be forgotten. Hence **~ABIL'ITY** n., **~ably** adv. [f. L *memorabilis* (memorare bring to mind f. *memor* mindful, -BLE)]

mēmōrān'dum, n. (pl. -da, -dums; abbr. *mem.*, *memo.*). Note to help the memory; record of events etc. for future use; (Law) document recording terms of contract etc.; informal letter without signature etc., usu. on paper headed *M~*. [L, neut. sing. gerundive as prec.]

mēmōr'ial, a. & n. 1. (Of statue, festival, etc.) serving to commemorate; of memory. 2. n. ~ object, custom, etc.; record, chronicle, (usu. pl.); informal State paper of various kinds; statement of facts as basis of petition etc. Hence **~IST** n. [OF, f. L *memorialis* (as MEMORY, see -AL)]

mēmōr'ialize, v.t. Commemorate; address memorial to (person). [prec. + -IZE]

mēmōr'ia tech'nica (tōk-), n. System, contrivance, used to assist memory. [L, = artificial memory]

mēm'orize, v.t. Put on record; commit to memory. [f. foll. + -IZE]

mēm'or'y, n. Faculty of remembering; this in an individual, as a good, bad, ~ (convenient or accommodating ~, that retains only what it is to one's interest to remember); recollection; in ~ of, as a record of, to keep alive the ~ of; posthumous repute, as *his ~ has been censured, of blessed, happy, etc.*, ~ (used esp. of deceased princes etc.); length of time over which ~ extends, as *beyond, within, the ~ of men, within living ~*. [f. OF *memoire* f. L *memoria* (memor mindful f. root *mer*-remember)]

mēm'sah'ib, n. (In India) European married lady. [f. MA'AM + SAHIB]

-men, sufl. in L wds, often side by side with L *mentum*-MENT & w. same meaning, as *fundamen-tum*. Many wds of slightly technical or learned use, as *acumen*, *stamen*, *gravamen*, *albumen*, *cognomen*, *regimen*, *specimen*; cf. *crime*, shortened in F f. L *crimen*.

mēm'ace, n. (literary). Threat. [OF, f. L *minacia* (minax -acia f. *minari* threaten)]

mēm'acle, v.t. Threaten. Hence **~INGLY** adv. [f. F *menacer* f. pop. L *minaciare* (as prec.)]

ménage (mānahz'), n. Household management; domestic establishment. [f. OF *menage* f. pop. L *mansionaticum* (as MANSION, see -AGE)]

mēnā'gerie, n. Collection of wild animals in cages etc. [f. F *ménagerie* (as prec., see -ERY)]

mēnd¹, n. Repaired hole in material etc.; on the ~, improving in health or (of affairs etc.) condition. [f. foll.]

mēnd², v.t. & l. Restore to sound condition, repair, (broken articles, clothes, roads, etc.); ~ (correct) one's ways; *least said soonest ~ed* (rectified); ~ (add fuel to) fire; out to required shape (quill pen); (intr.) regain health; ~ (improve state of) matters; ~ (quicken) one's pace; ~ or end, improve or abolish. Hence **~ABLE** a. [f. AMEND, but found earlier]

mēndā'cious (-shus), a. Lying, untruthful. Hence or cogn. **~LY** adv., **mēndā'city** n. [f. L *mendax* f. root of *mentiri* lie, see -ACIOUS]

Mēn'delism, n. A theory of heredity tending to reduce to numerical law the recurrence of inherited characters. So **Mēndēl'ian** a. & n. [G. J. Mendel, 1822-84]

mēn'dicant, a. & n. 1. Begging; ~ant friars (living solely on alms). 2. n. Beggar. Hence or cogn. **~ANOUS**, **mēndi'city**, nn. [f. L *mendicare* (mendicus beggar), see -ANT]

mēnbād'en, n. Fish of herring family, used for manure, & yielding valuable oil. [Amer. Ind. *munhawhtaug*]

mēn'hir (-ēr), n. (archaeol.). Tall upright monumental stone found in Europe, Africa, & Asia. [f. Breton *men hir* long stone]

mēn'ial, a. & n. 1. (Of service) servile; (of servant, usu. derog.) domestic. 2. n. ~ servant. Hence **~LY** adv. [AF, f. OF *mesnie* household (obs. E *meinie*) f. pop. L *mansionata* (as MANSION, see -ADE)]

mēn'inx, n. (usu. in pl. *mēn'in'gēs*). Any of three membranes enveloping brain & spinal cord (*dura mater*, *arachnoid*, *pia mater*). Hence **mēnin'gēal** a., **mēnin'grit's** (-jit-), **mēnin'gocele**, nn. [Gk *mēninx*]

mēnis'cus, n. (pl. -ci). Lens convex on one side, concave on the other; (Math.) figure of crescent form; (Phys.) curved upper surface of liquid in tube. [f. Gk *mēniskos* crescent (*mēnē* moon)]

Mēnn'onte, n. Member of a Protestant sect that arose in Switzerland c. 1525, with tenets resembling those of Quakers & Baptists. [f. *Menno* Simons founder]
mēn'o- in comb. Of the menses, as: ~pause, final cessation, ~rrhō'gia, excessive flow, ~rrhō'e'a, ordinary flow, of the menses. [f. Gk *mēn* month]

mēnō'ogy, n. Calendar, esp. that of Greek Church, with biographies of saints. [f. late Gk *mēnologia* (mēn month + logos account)]

mēsēs (-nz) **ōōn'sōis** (-shis) **rēc'tē**, L phr. = a clear conscience.

mēn'sēs (-z), n. pl. Flow of blood from

mucous coat of uterus of female, occurring on the average at intervals of lunar month. [L, pl. of *mensis* month]

Mén'shëvik, n. Russian socialist of the more moderate party (cf. **BOLSHEVIK**). [Russ., = minority party, cf. **BOLSHEVIK**]

mëns (-nz) *sân'a in ôd'p'orë sân'b*, L. phr. = sound mind in sound body, used esp. as expressing the ideal of education.

mën'struál (-ôb-), a. Of the menses, so ~ors a.; (Astron.) monthly. [f. F *menstruel* f. L *menstrualis* (as **MENSTRUUM**, see -AL)]

mën'struâte (-ôb-), v.i. Discharge the menses. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *menstruare* (as foll.), see -ATE³]

mën'struum (-ôb-), n. (pl. -rua). Solvent (lit. & fig.). [neut. of L *menstruus* monthly (mensis month), named as analogue of menses]

mën'sürable, a. Measurable, having fixed limits; (Mus.) having fixed rhythm. [F, f. LL *mensurabilis* (*mensurare* f. *mensura* MEASURE, see -BLE)]

mën'süral, a. Of measure; (Mus.) = prec. [f. med. L *mensuralis* (as MEASURE, see -AL)]

mënsürä'tion, n. Measuring; (Math.) rules for finding lengths, areas, & volumes. [f. LL *mensuratio* (as **MENSURABLE**, see -ATION)]

-ment, suf. forming nn. expr. result or means of vbl action (*alone*~); some formed in L (*frag*~), some in F (*abridge*~), some in E on L, F, or M vbs; a few are on adj. (*odd*~; *funny*~, perh. on anal. of *merri*~, which is really f. obs. vb *merry*); ~y of first element is changed to -t-. [OF, f. L -mentum]

mën'täl¹, a. & n. Of the mind; done by the mind, as ~ arithmetic (performed without use of written figures); ~ patient (under care for disordered mind); ~ RESERVATION; ~ home, ASYLUM; (n., colloq.) ~ case or patient. Hence ~LY² adv. [F, f. LL *mentalis* (*mens*-ntis mind, see -AL)]

mën'täl², a. Of the chin. [F, f. L *mentum* chin, see -AL]

mëntäl'itë, n. The being mental or in or of the mind; (degree of) intellectual power; (loosely) mind, disposition, character. [f. **MENTAL**¹ + -ITY]

mëntä'tion, n. Mental action; state of mind. [f. L *mens*-ntis mind, see -ATION]

mën'thöl, n. Camphor-like substance got from oil of peppermint etc., used to relieve neuralgia etc. [G, f. L *mentha* mint, see -OL(2)]

mën'tion¹, n. Mentioning, naming, (of thing); *honourable* ~, award of merit to candidate in examination, work of art, etc., not entitled to prize. [F, f. L *mentionem* (*men*- root of *mens* mind, see -ION)]

mën'tion², v.t. Refer to, remark upon, specify by name, (esp. thing not obviously essential to context, as *this was*

expressly ~ed; *that*); (in deprecation of apology or thanks) *don't* ~ it; (introducing fact or thing of secondary or, as rhet. artifice, of primary importance) *not to* ~. [f. F *mentionner* (as prec.)]

mën'tör, n. Experienced & trusted adviser. [F, f. Gk *Mentör* adviser of Telemachus (root *men*-think)]

mën'u (-ôb, & see Ap.), n. Bill of fare. [F adj. = small, n. = detailed list]

Mëphist'ôph'elës (-z), n. Evil spirit to whom Faust, in German legend, sold his soul; fiendish person. Hence ~ôphël's'AN, ~ôphël'IAN, aa. [G, etym. dub.]

mëphit'is, n. Noxious emanation, esp. from the earth; noisome or poisonous stench. So **mëphit'is** a. [L]

mërc'antillë, a. Of trade, commercial; ~e theory (that money is the only wealth); ~e marine, shipping employed in commerce; mercenary, fond of bargaining. Hence ~ISM, ~IST, nn. [F, f. It. *mercantile* (as **MERCHANT**)]

Mërcät'or. See PROJECTION.

mër'cénarij, a. & n. 1. Working merely for money or other reward; hired. 2. n. Hired soldier in foreign service. Hence ~INESS n. [f. L *mercenarius* (*merces*-edis reward, see -ARY¹)]

|| **mër'cier**, n. Dealer in textile fabrics, esp. silks & other costly materials. Hence ~ERY(1) n. [f. F *mercier* f. pop. L *mercarius* (*merx* *mercis* goods, -ARY¹)]

mër'cerize, v.t. Treat (cotton fabrics & thread) with caustic alkali under tension to give greater strength and impart lustre. [J. *Mercer*, patentee, + -IZE]

mër'chandise (-z), n. Commodities of commerce, goods for sale. [f. F *merchandise* (as foll., see -ISE)]

mër'chant, n. & a. Wholesale trader, esp. with foreign countries; ~ prince, wealthy ~; LAW¹ ~; ~ ship, ~man, (ship conveying merchandise); ~ (mercantile marine) service; ~ (sl.), one given to — (*speed*~, *speed-loving* motorist; *lob*~, *slow* bowler). [f. OF *merchant* f. pop. L *mercator* frequent. of *mercari* trade (*merx* *mercis* merchandise), see -ANT]

mër'chantable, a. Salable, marketable. [f. *merchant* v. (now rare) f. OF *marcheandor* (as prec.) + -ABLE]

mër'ciful, a. Having, showing, or feeling mercy. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

mër'cilëss, a. Pitiless, showing no mercy. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

mercür'ial, a. & n. 1. Sprightly, ready-witted, & volatile, whence ~ITY (-äl²) n.; of, containing, mercury; (M~) of the planet Mercury. 2. n. ~ drug, whence ~ISM(5) n., ~IZE(5) v.t. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *mercurel* (as **MERCURY**, see -AL)]

mërc'ürë, n. 1. (M~) Roman god of eloquence, skill, thieving, etc., & messenger of gods, messenger (Joc., & often in newspaper titles). 2. (M~) planet nearest to sun. 3. A white normally liquid metal

usu. got from cinnabar & used in barometers, thermometers, amalgams, & mirrors (*the ~ is rising*, weather or temper is improving), quicksilver, whence *mercú'io*, *mercú'rius*, aa. (chem.); (fig.) liveliness (*has no ~ in him*). [f. L *Mercurius*, prob. f. *merz-rcis* merchandise]

mercý, n. Compassion shown by one to another who is in his power & has no claim to kindness (*have ~ on or upon*, *show ~ to*; *~l*, *~ on or upon us*), appeals, or exoll. usu. playful of terror or surprise; compassionateness; *at the ~ of*, wholly in the power of, liable to danger or harm from; *that is a ~ (blessing, thing to be thankful for)*; (joc.) *left to the tender mercies of*, exposed to probable rough handling by; *~seat*, golden covering of Ark of Covenant, throne of God. [f. F *merci* f. L *mercedem* (nom. -ces) reward, (LL) pity]

me're, n. Lake, pond. [OE, cf. Du. & G *meer* sea, cogn. w. L *mare* sea]

me're, a. That is solely what the noun implies, as a *swindler*, *the ~st buffoonery*; (Law) *~ right* (without possession). Hence *~ly* (*mē'l'i*) adv. [f. L *meritum* unmixed]

meret'ricious (-shus), a. Of, befitting, a harlot; (of ornament, literary style, etc.) showily attractive. Hence *~ly* adv., *~ness* n. [f. L *meretricius* f. *meretrix* harlot (*mereri* earn, see -*TRIX*) + -OUS]

mergān'ser, n. Diving fish-eating duck. [f. L *mergus* diver + *anser* goose]

merge, v.t. & i. Lose, cause (thing) to lose, character or identity in (another), esp. sink (title, estate, in greater one). Hence *merg'ence* n. [f. law F *merger* f. L *mergere* merge - dip]

mer'ger, n. Merging; combine. [-ER']

merid'ian, n. & a. 1. Circle passing through celestial poles & zenith of any place on earth's surface; circle lying in the plane of the & passing through the place & the poles, as *~ of Greenwich* (of longitude 0° in British maps); point at which sun or star attains highest altitude; prime, full splendour; *calculated for the ~ (to suit the tastes etc.) of (place, people)*. 2. adj. Of noon; (fig.) of the period of greatest splendour, vigour, etc. [(n. f. adj.) f. OF *meridiē* f. L *meridianus* (*meridies* midday f. *medius* middle + *dies* day, see -AN)]

merid'ional, a. & n. Of (the inhabitants of) the south of Europe; of a meridian; (n.) inhabitant of the south (esp. of France). [f. F *médional* f. LL *meridionalis* (irreg. as prec., -AL)]

meringue (-äng), n. Confection of sugar, white of eggs, etc., small cake of this. [F]

meri'né (-ré), n. (pl. ~s). (Also *~ sheep*) kind of sheep with fine wool; soft woollen or wool-&cotton material like French cashmere, orig. of *~ wool*; fine woollen yarn. [Sp., prob. f. L *majorinus* of a larger kind (*major* greater, see -*IN*)]

mē'rit, n., & v.t. 1. Quality of deserving well; excellence, worth; (usu. pl.) thing that entitles to reward or gratitude; *make a ~ of*, view, represent, (one's own conduct) as meritorious; *the ~s*, intrinsic rights & wrongs (of case etc., esp. Law); *judge (proposal etc.) on its ~s* (with only its intrinsic excellences etc. in view). 2. v.t. Deserve (reward, punishment). [(vb f. F *meriter*) f. OF *merite* f. L *meritum* neut. p.p. of *mereri* earn, deserve]

mērit'ious, a. (Of person or act) deserving reward, praise, or gratitude (often as term of limited praise, = well-meant, well-meaning). Hence *~ly* adv., *~ness* n. [f. L *meritorius* (*mereri* merit - earn, see -*OR*) + -OUS]

mērie, n. (aroh., Sc.). Blackbird. [F, f. L *merulus*, -la]

mēri'n, n. Kind of falcon. [f. AF *merilun* f. OF *esmerillon* f. com.-Rom. *esmerillo* (med. L *smerrillus*), perh. of Teut. orig.]

mēri'on, n. Part of embattled parapet between two embrasures. [F, f. It. *merlone* (*merlo* battlement, perh. f. *merpota* dim. f. L *mergae* pitchfork; see -*OR*)]

mēri'm'aid, n. Half-human being, with head & trunk of woman & tail of fish. So *mēri'm'an* n. [f. MERN + MAID]

mē'ro- in comb. = Gk *meros* part, in senses 'partly', 'partial', as: *~blast*, ovum that is only partly germinal; *~hid'ral*, (of crystal) having less than full number of faces admissible.

-merous, suf. (bot.) = having so many parts, as *dimerous*, *5-merous*. [f. Gk as prec. + -OUS]

Mērovin'gian (-i-), a. & n. (King) of the Frankish line founded by Clovis & reigning in Gaul & Germany c. 500-750. [f. F *Mérovigien* f. med. L *Merovingi* of Germanic orig.]

mērriment, n. Hilarious enjoyment, mirth, fun. [f. obs. vb *merry* be merry + -MENT]

mērry, n. Kind of black cherry. [f. F *merise* etym. dub., prob. taken as pl.]

mērry, a. Joyous, mirthful; *~ (pleasant) England*; *the ~ monarch*, Charles II; slightly tipsy; *make ~*, be festive; *make ~ over*, make fun of; *~ andrew*, mountebank's assistant, clown, buffoon, (also fig.); *~ DANCERS*; *~go-round*, revolving machine with wooden horses or cars; *~making*, festivity; *~thought*, forked bone between neck & breast of bird. Hence *mērrily* adv., *mērriness* n. (rare). [OE *myrrige*, whence *myrrid* MIRTH, cf. MDu. *merche* mirth; perh. f. OTeut. *murpjo* -short, prob. cogn. w. Gk *brachius*]

***me'sa** (mā-), n. High rocky tableland with precipitous sides. [Sp., = table, f. L *mensa*]

mésalliance (see Ap.), n. Marriage with person of inferior social position. [F]

mesdames, mesdemoiselles. See MADAME, MADAMOISELLE.

méseems' (-z), v.i. (arch.). It seems to me. [me dat. + *seems*]

mésémbrían'thémum, -brý-, n. Fig-marigold. [f. Gk *mesembria* noon + *anthemon* flower]

més'enterý, n. Fold of peritoneum attaching some part of intestinal canal to posterior wall of abdomen. Hence **més'enté'rio a., més'entérr'is n.** [f. med. L f. Gk *mesenterion* (MESO- + *enteron* intestine)]

mésh¹, n. Open space, interstice, of net; (pl.) network, (fig.) snare; (Physiol., pl.) interlaced structure; (of teeth of wheels) in ~, engaged. [cogn. w. OE *max* net]

mésh², v.t. & i. Catch in net (lit. & fig.); (of teeth of wheel) be engaged (*with* others). [f. prec.]

mes'ial (mész-, mész-), a. Of, in, directed towards, middle line of a body. Hence ~*ly* adv. [irreg. f. Gk *mesos* middle + -*ial*]

mes'mer'ism (mész-, n. Hypnotic state, usu. involving insensibility to pain & muscular rigidity, produced on patient by operator's influence over will & nervous system; doctrine concerning, influence producing, this. Hence **més'mé'rio a., ~ism, ~izá'tion, nn., ~ize(4) v.t., (mész-).** [F. A. Mesmer, Austrian physician, d. 1815, + -ism]

mesne (mên), a. Intermediate, as ~ *profits* (received from estate by wrongful tenant between two dates); ~ *process*, proceedings in suit intervening between primary & final process; (Feud.) ~ *lord* (holding of superior lord). [law F, = *mesan*¹]

més'o- in comb. = Gk *mesos* middle, intermediate, as: ~*gas'ter*, membrane attaching stomach to dorsal wall of abdomen; ~*lith'ic*, of stone area between palaeolithic & neolithic; ~*phyll*, inner tissue of leaf; ~*tron*, sub-atomic positive or negative particle having a mass about 200 times that of an electron; ~*só'ic*, of second geological period (cf. *GAINOZOIC*, *PALAEZOIC*).

Més'pot, n. (el.). Mesopotamia. [abbr.]

més'quit(e) (-két), n. N.-Amer. leguminous tree; (also ~*grass*) kinds of grass growing near this. [f. Mex. Sp. *mesquite*]

mész¹, n. 1. Portion of liquid or pulpy food; ~ *of potage*, material comfort etc. for which something higher is sacrificed (*Gen. xxv. 29-34*); liquid or mixed food for hounds etc.; concoction, medley. **2.** Dirty or untidy state of things; *make a ~ of*, bungle (undertaking). **3.** Company of persons who take meals together, esp. (Navy etc.) each of several parties into which ship's company etc. is divided; *meal* so taken, as *at ~*, *go to ~* (often attrib., as ~*jackel*, coat worn at ~); ~*mate*, one of the same (usu. ship's) ~. Hence ~*ry*¹ a. (~*y floor*, food, job), ~*ir*¹ adv., ~*iness n.* [f. OE *mes* f. LL *mesum*, D-p. of *mittere* send]

mész², v.t. & i. Make a mess of, dirty, (thing); muddle (business); potter about; take one's meals (*with* or *abs.*). [f. prec.]

mész'age¹, n. Oral or written communication sent by one person to another; prophet's, writer's, preacher's, inspired communication. [F, f. pop. L *missaticum* (*mittere* miss- send, see -AGE)]

mész'age², v.t. Send as a message; transmit (plan etc.) by signalling etc. [f. prec.]

mész'enger, n. One who carries a message; paper sent up string from filer to kite; endless rope passing from capstan to cable to haul it in. [f. F *messager* (as prec., see -ER¹); for -N cf. *passenger*]

Méssi'ah (-a), n. Promised deliverer of Jews; Christ as this; liberator of oppressed people or country. Hence ~*ship* n. [f. F *Messie* f. L f. Gk *Messias* f. Heb. *mashiah* anointed (*mashah* anoint)]

Méssiän'ic, a. Of the, inspired by hope of or belief in a, Messiah. [prec., -AN, -IO]

messieurs' (mésyär'), n. pl. Pl. of *MONSIEUR* or (in abbr. form *Messrs*, pron. mész'erz) of Mr, used esp. as prefix to name of firm, or introducing list of gentlemen.

mész'uage (-swij), n. (law). Dwelling-house with outbuildings & land assigned to its use. [AF, prob. corrupt. of *mesnage* MENAGE]

méstí'zō (-tē-), n. (pl. ~s). Spanish or Portuguese half-caste, esp. child of Spaniard & Amer.-Indian. [Sp, f. pop. L *mixticus* (*miscere* MIX)]

met. See MEET².

mēta- in comb. (before vowel *met-*, before aspirate *meth-*) = Gk *meta* with, after; occas. w. sense 'change'.

métáb'olism, n. Process, in organism or single cell, by which nutritive material is built up into living matter (*constructive* ~) or protoplasm is broken down into simpler substances (*destructive* ~). So **métaból'io a., métáb'olize(3) v.t.** [f. Gk *metabolé* change f. *META*(balló) throw change + -ISM]

mētacarp'us, n. Part of hand between wrist & fingers. [f. *META*- + Gk *karpós* wrist]

mēt'age, n. Official measuring of load of coal etc.; duty paid for this. [f. *META*¹ + -AGE]

mētágén'esis, n. Alternation between sexual & asexual reproduction. So **mētágénét'io a.** [*META*- + *GENESIS*]

mēt'al, n., & v.t. (-il-). 1. Any of a class of substances represented by gold, silver, copper, iron, lead, & tin, but containing many substances that have few of the characteristics of these; *BELL*¹, *BRITANNIA*, *GUN*, *WHITE*, *YELLOW*, ~; *HEAVY* ~; (*MIL.*) tanks, armoured vehicles, etc.; material used for making glass, in molten state; (also *road*-~) broken stone for macadam roads or railway; il (pl.) rails of a railway line (*trava laconic the ~s, is derailed*).

2. v.t. Furnish, fit, with ~; mend (road) with ~. [(vb f. n.) OF, f. L f. Gk *metallon* mine, perh. cogn. v. *metallao* seek after]

metall^{ic}, a. Of metal(s); ~ *currency*, gold, silver, copper, etc., cf. *PAPER*; characteristic of metals, as ~ *lustre* (peculiar sheen of metals), ~ *sound*. So **met^{al}-line¹ a.** [f. L f. Gk *metallikos* (as *METAL*, see -IO)]

met^{al}-lize¹ v.t. Render metallic; vulcanize (rubber). Hence ~*ation* n. [f. *METAL* + -IZE]

metall^{og}-raphy, n. Descriptive science of internal structure of metals. [f. Gk *metallographia* (as *METAL*, see -GRAPHY)]

met^{al}-loid, a. & n. 1. Having form or appearance of metal. **2. n.** Element with characteristics both of metals and non-metals. [-OID]

met^{al}-lurg^y (-ler-), n. Art of working metals, esp. of extracting metals from their ores. Hence **metallur^{gic}(AL) aa.**, **met^{al}-lurgist (-ler-) n.** [f. Gk *metallourgos* metal-worker (*metallon* *METAL* + *-ergos* -worker), see -Y¹]

met^{al}-mere, n. (zool.). One of several similar segments of a body. [f. *META* + Gk *meros* part]

metam^{er}-ic, a. (Chem.) having same composition & molecular weight, but different chemical properties; (Zool.) of metameres. So **metam^{er}-ism n. (chem., zool.).** [as prec. + -IC]

metamorph^{ic}, a. Of, marked by, metamorphosis; (Geol., of rock) that has undergone transformation by natural agencies, whence ~*ism* n. [irreg. f. *META* + Gk *morphē* form + -IC]

metamorph^{ose} (-z), v.t. Change in form, turn (to, into, new form); change nature of. [f. F *métamorphoser* (*metamorphose*, as foll.)]

metamorph^{osis}, n. (pl. -oses, pr. -ēs). Change of form (by magic or by natural development etc.); changed form; change of character, conditions, etc. [L, f. Gk *metamorphōsis* f. *META*(*morphō* f. *morphē* form)]

met^{aphor}, n. Application of name or descriptive term to an object to which it is not literally applicable (e.g. a *glaring error*); instance of this; *mixed* ~, combination of inconsistent ~s. Hence **metaph^{or}-ical a., metaph^{or}-ical^{ly} adv.** [f. F *métaphore* f. L f. Gk *metaphora* f. *META*(*pherō* bear) transfer]

met^{aph}-rase (-z), n., & v.t. Translation, esp. word-for-word; (v.t.) put into other words. So **metaphras^{is} n.** [(vb f. n.) f. Gk *metaphrasis* f. *META*(*phrasō* show) translate]

metaphys^{ic}(AL) (-z), a. Of metaphysics; based on abstract general reasoning; over-subtle; incorporeal; supernatural; visionary. Hence ~*ly* adv. [-AL]

metaphys^{ica} (-z), n. pl. (often treated as sing.). Theoretical philosophy of being

& knowing; philosophy of mind; (pop.) abstract or subtle talk, mere theory. So ~*ICIAN* (-ishn) n., ~*ICISM*(2) v.l. (earlier ~*ic*; med. L has *metaphysica* fem. sing. & neut. pl., f. med. Gk *metaphusika* f. Gk *ta meta ta physika* the works (of Aristotle) placed after the *PHYSICS*]

met^{aplasm} (-z), n. (biol.). Part of protoplasm that contains formative material. [*META* + -*plasm* as in *PROTOPLASM*]

metap^{ol}-itics, n. pl. Abstract political science (often derog.). Hence **metap^{ol}-it^{ical} a., metap^{ol}-it^{ic} n.** [*META*, after *METAPHYSICS*]

metapsych^{ics} (-sik-), n. pl. Psychical research. [*META* + *PSYCHICS*, after *metaphysics*]

metas^{tasis}, n. (pl. -ses, pr. -sēs). Transference of bodily function, disease, etc., from one part or organ to another; transformation of chemical compounds into others in process of assimilation by an organism. So **metast^{at}-ic a. [L f. Gk, = change, f. *metistēmi* remove (*META* + *histēmi* place)]**

metatars^{us}, n. (anat.). Group of five long bones of foot between tarsus & toes. Hence ~*AL a. [META-]*

metath^{esis}, n. (pl. -ses, pr. -sēs). (Gram.) transposition of sounds or letters in word; (Chem.) interchange of atoms between two molecules. [LL f. Gk, f. *META*(*tithēmi* place) transpose]

metayage (mēt^{ay}ahzh), n. Land tenure in which farmer pays part (usu. half) of produce as rent to owner, who furnishes stock & seed. [F, irreg. as foll., see -AGE]

metayer (mēt^{ay}ä), n. Holder of land on prec. system. [F, f. med. L *medietarius* (*medietas* *MOIETY*, see -ARY¹)]

mēte¹, n. Boundary, boundary stone, esp. (Law) ~s & bounds. [OF, f. L *meta* goal]

mēte², v.t. (literary). (Poet.) measure; portion out, allot, (punishment, reward); || ~*wand*, -*yard*, (fig.) standard of estimation. [com.-Teut.: OE *metan*, Du. *meten*, G *maßen*]

metēmp^{ir}-ic, n. (Also ~s) philosophy of things outside the sphere of experience; believer in this. Hence ~*AL a., ~IST n. [f. *META* + *EMPIRIC*, after *metaphysics*]*

metēmpsych^{ōs}-is (-k-), n. (pl. ~es, pr. -ēs). Transmigration of soul of human being or animal at death into new body of same or different species. Hence ~*IST*(2) n. [LL f. Gk (*META* + *em* in + *psukhē* soul + -*osis*)]

met^{eor}, n. (Any atmospheric phenomenon, esp.) shooting star, small mass of matter from celestial space rendered luminous by collision with earth's atmosphere. [f. Gk *metēoros* lofty, (neut. pl.) atmospheric phenomena (*META* + *aērē* raise)]

metēō^{ric}, a. Of the atmosphere; dependent on atmospheric conditions; of

meteors; (fig.) dazzling, rapid. [prec. + -IC]
mēt'eor'ite, n. Fallen meteor, meteoric stone. So ~OLITE n. [METEOR + -ITE¹]
mēt'eorograph (-ahf), n. Apparatus recording meteorological phenomena. [METEOR, -GRAPH]
mēt'eoroid, n. Body moving through space, of same nature as those which by passing through atmosphere become visible as meteors. Hence ~oid'AL a. [-OID]
mēt'eor'öl'ogý, n. Study of motions & phenomena of atmosphere, esp. for weather forecast; atmospheric character (of region). Hence or cogn. ~öl'ög'ic(AL) aa., ~öl'ög'icaly² adv., ~öl'ög'ist n. [f. Gk *meteorologia* (as METEOR, -LOGY)]
mēt'er, n. Person, thing, that measures, esp. gas, water, etc., ~, instruments for recording volume of gas etc. supplied. [f. METE² + -ER¹, prob. after wds w. foll. sut., as *gasometer*]
-méter, suf. in names of measuring instruments on Gk nn. (but not on Gk anal.), as *barometer*, L nn., as *calorimeter*, mod. wds as if Gk or L, as *gasometer*, or without assn. to Gk or L, as *ammeter*. [f. Gk *metron* measure]
méth'ane, n. (chem.). Odourless colourless inflammable gaseous hydrocarbon, marsh gas, fire-damp. [f. METH(VI) + -ANE]
méthég'lin, n. (hist., dial.). Spiced kind of mead. [f. W *meddyglyn* (*meddyg* healing f. L *medicus* + *lyn* liquor)]
méthinks', v.i. (arch.; past *methought* pr. -awt). It seems to me. [ME dat. + THINKS]
méth'od, n. Special form of procedure esp. in any branch of mental activity, whence ~öl'og'y n.; orderly arrangement of ideas; orderliness, regular habits; *there's ~ in his etc. madness*, (Joc.) his conduct or proposal is not so mad as it seems; (Nat. Hist.) scheme of classification. Hence or cogn. **méthód'ical** a., **méthód'icaly**² adv. [f. L f. Gk *methodos* (META- + *hodos* way)]
méth'odist, n. 1. (M~) member of any of several religious bodies (now united) originating in the evangelistic movement of Charles & John Wesley & George Whitefield, whence **methodis'tic**(AL) aa., **méthód'sticaly**² adv. 2. (derog.). Person of strict religious views. 3. One who follows a method, esp. in Nat. Hist. Hence **Méth'odism** n. [-IST]
méth'odize, v.t. Reduce to order, arrange in orderly manner. [-IZE]
methought. See METHINKS.
Méthus'elah (-öözela), n. A pre-Noachian patriarch who is stated to have lived 969 years (hence as type of longevity). [Heb.]
méth'yí, n. Radical of ~ alcohol (wood spirit) present in many organic compounds. Hence **méth'yí'ic** a. [f. F *méthyle* (Gk *methu* wine + *hul* wood)]
méth'yíäte, v.t. Mix, impregnate, (esp.

spirit of wine, to make it unfit for drinking, so as to exempt it from duties) with methyl alcohol, as ~d *spirít*. [-ATE¹]
métic'ulous, a. Over-scrupulous about minute details. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. L *meticulosus* (*metus* fear, see -OULE, -OUS)]
métier (mēt'yä), n. One's trade, profession, or line. [F]
mét'is, n. Offspring of white & American Indian, esp. in Canada. [f. F *métis* (as MESTIZO)]
Métön'ic, a. ~ cycle, period of 19 years (235 lunar months) covering all the changes of the moon. [Meton, Athenian astronomer of 5th c. B.C.]
métön'ýmý, n. Substitution of the name of an attribute for that of the thing meant (e.g. *crown* for *king*). Hence **métöným'ical** a., **métöným'icaly**² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *metonymia* (META- + *onoma* name)]
mét'ope (-opl, -öp), n. (archit.). Square space between triglyphs in Doric frieze. [f. L f. Gk *metopé* (META- + *opé* hole for beam)]
mé'tre¹ (-ter), n. Any form of poetic rhythm, determined by character & number of feet; metrical group, esp. pair of feet in iambic & other rhythms. Hence **métr'i'cian** (-ishn), **métr'icos**, **métr'ist**, nn. [f. L f. Gk *metron* measure]
mé'tre² (-ter), n. Unit of length in metric system (39.37 in.). [f. F *mètre* (as prec.)]
métr'ic, a. Of the METRE²; ~ system, decimal measuring-system with the metre, & the litre & gramme determined by it, as units of length, capacity, & weight (the prefixing to *metre* etc. of the Greek-derived *deca-*, *hecto-*, *kilo-*, denotes multiplication by 10, 100, 1,000, as *kilometre* 1,000 metres; that of the Latin-derived *deci-*, *centi-*, *milli-*, division by 10, 100, 1,000, as *decilitre* tenth of a litre). [-IO]
métr'ical, a. Of, composed in, metre; of, involving, measurement, as ~ geometry. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *metrikos* (as METRE¹, see -IO) + -AL]
métröl'ogý, n. Science, system, of weights & measures. Hence **métröl'ög'ical** a. [as METRE¹ + -LOGY]
métr'onöme, n. (mus.). Instrument marking time by means of pendulum, beating rod, etc. Hence **métronöm'ic** a. [as METRE¹ + Gk *nomos* law]
métröp'olis, n. Chief city of a country; capital; || the ~, London; metropolitan bishop's see; centre of activity. [L f. Gk *metropolis* parent State (*mētēr* -tros mother + *polis* city)]
métröpöl'itan, a. & n. Of a or the metropolis; belonging to, forming (part of), mother country as dist. from its colonies etc.; of an ecclesiastical metropolis; ~ (bishop), bishop having authority over bishops of a province, in the West equivalent to archbishop, in Greek church

ranking above archbishop & below patriarch, whence ~*ATR*¹ (-*at*) n.; inhabitant of a metropolis. [f. LL *metropolitānus* f. Gk *metropolitēs* (as prec., -*itē*¹), see -AN]

-*mētr*y, suf. in names of systems corresp. to instruments in -*METER* on anal. of Gk *geomētria* GEOMETRY, but also in hybrids, as *alkalimetry*. [f. Gk *-metria* (-*metrēs* measurer, as *METRē*¹)]

mēt'tīle, n. Quality of disposition; natural ardour; spirit, courage; be on one's ~e (incited to do one's best). Hence (-)~*ED*¹ (-*id*), ~*ESOME* (-*ils*), aa. [var. of *METAL* n.]

mē'*sem*, n. ~ & *tū*'*um*, nine & thine (used to express rights of property). [L. neut. of *meus*]

*mew*¹, n. (Also *sea*~) gull, esp. common gull. [OE *mæw*, cf. Du. *meeuw*, G *möwe*]

*mew*², n., & v.t. 1. Cage for hawks, esp. while moulting. 2. v.t. Put (hawk) in ~; (fig.) shut up, confine. [(v.b. f. n.) f. F *mue* (as foll.)]

*mew*³, v.t. (arch.). (Of hawk) moult, shed, (feathers). [f. F *muer* f. L *mutare* change]

*mew*⁴, v.i., & n. 1. (Of cat, sea-birds) utter sound *mew*. 2. n. This sound, esp. of cat. [imit.]

mewl, *müle*, v.i. Cry feebly, whimper; mew like cat. [imit., cf. *MAUL*]

|| *mews*, n. Set of stabling round open yard. [pl. (now used as sing.) of *MEW*³; orig. of royal stables on site of hawks' mews]

mē'*zzanine* (-*ēn*), n. Low storey between two higher ones (usu. between ground & first floors); (Theatr.) floor beneath stage. [F, f. It. *mezzanino* dim. of *mezzano* f. L *mediānus* (medius middle, see -AN)]

mē'*zzo* (-*dzō*), adv. (Mus.) half, moderately, as ~ *FORTE*², *PIANO*¹; ~*rlie*'*vo* (-*lyāvō*), half-relief, in which figures project half their true proportions; ~*scpra*'*no*, (person with, part for) voice between soprano & contralto. [It., f. L *medius* middle]

mē'*zzotint* (-*dz*-), n., & v.t. 1. Method of engraving in which plate is roughened uniformly, lights & half-lights being given by scraping away the nap thus produced, deep shadows by leaving it; print produced by this. 2. v.t. Engrave in ~. [(v.b. f. n.) f. It. *mezzotinto* (also used in E) f. *mezzo* half + *tinto* TINT]

mi (mē), n. (mus.). Third note of octave. [first syllable of L *mīra*, see *GAMUT*]

misow (mīow'), n., & v.i. (Make) cry of cat. [imit.]

mīk'*s* (*ma* (-*z*), n. (pl. ~*ata*, ~*as*). Infectious or noxious emanation, esp. malaria. Hence ~*AL*, ~*āt*'*io*, aa., (-*z*). [Gk (*mīatnō* pollute, see -M)]

mīau'*d*, v.i. Cry like cat. [f. F *mīauler*, imit.]

mīc'*a*, n. Any of several minerals composed of silicate of aluminium with other silicates, found in small glittering scales in granite etc., or in crystals; ~*schist*, ~*slate*,

slaty rock of quartz & ~. Hence *mīc*'*aceous* (-*āshus*) a. [L, =crumb]

Mīcaw'*ber*, n. ~, *Mr* ~, *Wilkins* ~, sanguine idler trusting that something good will turn up. Hence ~*ISM*(3) n. [person in Dickens's *David Copperfield* mice. See *MOUSE*¹]

Mīch'*ael* (-*kel*), n. An archangel; Order of St ~ & St George, English civil & military order of knighthood; ~*aps* (mīk'el-), feast of St ~, Sep. 29, || a quarter-day. [f. Heb. *mikhael* who is like God?]

Mīck'*ey* Mouse, n. (R.A.F. sl.). Electrical distributor which releases bombs from aircraft. [character in film cartoons]

|| *mīc*'*kle*, *mūc*'*,* a. & n. (arch., Sc.). Much, great; (n.) a large amount (in prov. *many a little, or pickle, makes a ~*). [com.-Teut.: OE *mīcel*, Sw. *mucken*, Da. *megen*, cogn. w. Gk *megas* great]

mīc'*ro*⁻¹ in comb. = Gk *mīkros* small, as: ~*cephāl*'*ic* a. & n., (person) with abnormally small head, so ~*ceph*'*alous* a.; ~*film* n. P., (photographic reproduction on) a very small film; ~*lith*'*ic*, constructed of small stones, marked by monuments so constructed; ~*logy* (-*ōl*'), hair-splitting; ~*meter* (-*ōm*'), instruments for measuring small objects or (Astron.) distances, so ~*met*'*rical*, ~*metry* (-*ōm*'); ~*phōt*'*ograph* (of microscopic object on magnified scale); ~*phyl*'*te*, microscopic plant, esp. bacterium; ~*seism* (-*īzīm*), faint earthquake tremor, whence ~*seis*'*mic*, ~*seis*'*mograph*, ~*seismōl*'*ogy*; ~*spōre*, parasitic fungus with small spores, small spore; ~*tōme*, instrument for cutting thin sections for microscope; ~*tōne*, mus. interval smaller than semitone; ~*zyme*, zymotic microbe. *mīc*'*ro*⁻² (etym. as prec.) prefixed in Physics to unit-names = the millionth part of the unit; ~*ampere*, ~*coulomb*, ~*farad*, ~*gramme*, ~*litre*, ~*metre*, ~*milli*-*metre*, *mīc*'*rōhm*, ~*volt*.

mīc'*rōbe*, n. Minute living being, plant or animal (esp. of bacteria causing diseases & fermentation). Hence *mīc*'*rōb*'*ial* a., *mīc*'*rōbīōl*'*ogy* n. [F (*mīc*'*ro*⁻¹ + Gk *bios* life)]

mīc'*rocōsm* (-*zm*), n. Man viewed as epitome of the universe; any community or complex unity so viewed; miniature representation (of). Hence *mīc*'*rocōs*'*mīc* (-*z*-) a. [f. F *microcosme* f. med. L *mīc*'*ro*¹(*cosmos* f. Gk *kosmos* world)]

mīc'*rōn*, n. The millionth of a metre. [f. Gk neut. of *mīkros* small]

mīc'*rophōne*, n. Instrument for intensifying small sounds or converting sound waves into electrical energy which may be reconverted into sound after transmission by wire or wireless, as the transmitter of a telephone or (colloq. abbr. *mīke*) the mouthpiece for broadcasting. [f. *mīc*'*ro*⁻¹ + Gk *phōnē* sound]

mīc'*roscōpe*, n. Instrument magnifying objects by means of lens(es) so as to

reveal details invisible to naked eye. [MICRO-¹ + -SCOPE]

microscōp'ic, a. Of the microscope, whence ~AL a.; too small to be visible (in detail) without microscope. Hence ~ally² adv. [-IO]

micrōs'cop'ij, n. Use of the microscope. So ~IST n. [-Y¹]

mictūri'tion, n. Morbidly frequent desire to make water; (improp.) making water. [f. L *micturire* -it-, desiderative f. *mingere* mict- make water, see -ION]

mid¹, a. (sup. ~most). The middle of (usu. after in, as in ~ air, career, Channel, course, stream, winter; also with from, to, etc., as from ~ June to ~ August; & in attrib. compounds, as a ~winter day); that is in the middle, medium, half, (~ iron, golf iron with medium loft; ~ off, ~ on, = ~wicket off, on; ~rib, central rib of leaf; ~way² adv., in middle of distance between places; ~wicket off or on, fielder near bowler on off, on, side); ~WING. [com.-Tent.: OE *midd*, OFris. *midde*, OHG *mitti*, cogn. w. Gk *mesos*, L *medius*]

mid², prep. (poet.). = AMID.

mid'day, n. Noon (often attrib.). [OE *middæg*, see MID¹ & DAY]

mid'd'en, n. (dial.). Dughill; kitchen ~, prehistoric refuse-heap, chiefly of shells & bones. [of Scand. orig.]

mid'dle¹, a. (not pred.; rare sup. ~most) & n. 1. (Of member of group) so placed as to have same number of members on each side; equidistant from extremities; intermediate in rank, quality, etc.; ~ course, way, compromise between two extremes; (Gram.) applied to a voice in (esp. Greek) verbs that is passive in form but reflexive or active in sense, cf. DEPOSITIVE; M~ ENGLISH; ~ age, between youth & old age; ~aged, of such age; the M~ Ages (about 1000-1400, or in a wider sense 800-1500); || ~ article, brief essay of literary kind in weekly or other journal often placed between political articles & book-reviews; ~ class, class of society between upper & lower (often attrib., ~ class); M~ EAST; ~ (second) finger; M~ Kingdom, China (orig. of Honan as central & sovereign State); ~ life, the ~ part of life, ~ age; in the ~ of, while (doing), during (proceeds); (Log.) ~ (term), term common to both premises, principle of excluded ~ (that anything must be included either under a given term or under its negative); ~man, any of the traders through whose hands commodity passes from producer to consumer; ~ passage, see journey between W. Africa & W. Indies (with ref. to the slave trade); ~ watch (from midnight to 4 a.m.); ~weight (Boxing), from 11st. 11 to 11st. 2. 2. n. ~ point or position or part (of), waist; ~ voice; || ~ article. [OE & Du. *middel*, G *mittel*, f. OTeut. *meþjo*- MID]

mid'dle², v.t. (Footb.) return (ball or abs.) from wing to mid field in front of goal; (techn.) place in the middle; (Naut.) fold in the middle. [f. prec.]

midd'ling, a. & adv. 1. (Commerc., of goods) of the second of three grades, so ~s n. pl. (also in spec. senses, flour of medium fineness, & comminuted bran); moderately good; second-rate; (colloq.) fairly well (in health), as I am only ~. 2. adv. Fairly or moderately, as ~ good, fast. Hence ~LY² adv. [prob. of Sc. orig., f. MID¹ + -LING² & ~ (confused)]

midd'y, n. See MIDSHIP.

midge, n. Kinds of gnat-like insect; small person. [OE *mycg*, cf. Du. *mug*, G *mücke*]

midg'et, n. Extremely small person, esp. when exhibited as curiosity; very small thing (also attrib.). [f. prec. + -ET¹]

midinette' (méd-), n. Parisian shop-girl (esp. milliner's assistant). [F, perh. f. *midt* noon + *dinette* light dinner, because these girls are usually seen about the streets at lunch-time]

mid'land, n. & a. 1. Middle part of country; (pl.) the middle counties of England. 2. adj. Of, in, the ~ or ~s. [MID + LAND]

mid'night (-nit), n. The middle of the night, 12 o'clock; intense darkness (often attrib.). [OE *midnæht* (MID + NIGET)]

mid'rāsh, n. (pl. ~im, pr. -āsh'ēm). Ancient Jewish commentary on part of Hebrew Scriptures. [Heb.]

mid'riff, n. Diaphragm. [OE *midhrif* (*mid* MID + *hrif* belly)]

mid'ship, n. Middle part of ship or boat; ~man (abbr. *midship*—not used by Royal Navy), rank between naval cadet & sub-lieutenant; ~s, = AMIDSHIPS. [MID + SHIP]

midst, n., adv., & prep. In the ~ of, among; in our, your, ~, among us, you; (adv., only in phr.) first, ~, & last; (prep., post.) in the ~ of. [(1) MID + -st, see ~st, (2) sup. of MID]

mid'summer, n. Period of summer solstice, about June 21; M~ day, June 24, || a quarter-day; ~ (the height of) madness. [MID]

mid'wife, n. (pl. ~wives). Woman who assists other women in childbirth. Hence **mid'wifery**(2) (-wifri, *-wi-) n., obstetrics. [MID¹ (or obs. prep. *mid* with, cf. G *mit*) + WIFE]

mien (mēn), n. (literary). Air, bearing, of person, as showing character or mood. [prob. shortened f. *demean* n., assim. to F *mine* expression, etym. dub.]

miff, n., & v.i. & t. (colloq.). Petty quarrel; huff; (v.i.) take offence with or at; (v.t.) put out of humour. [perh. imit., cf. G *muff*, exclamation of disgust]

might¹ (mīt), n. Great (bodily or mental) strength; power to enforce one's will (opp. right); with ~ & MAIN². [OE *miht*, cf. Du. & G *moet*, f. OTeut. *may*- MAY²]

². See MAY².

if (-it-), a. & adv. 1. Powerful,

strong, in body or mind; (Bibl.) ~y works, miracles; massive, bulky; (colloq.) great, considerable; *менѣе* & ~y. 2. adv. (colloq.). Very, as *that is ~y easy*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. (esp. in *your* etc. *high ~ness* as burlesque title). [OE *mihhtig* (as *MIGHT*¹, see -Y²)]

mignon (see Ap.), a. Small & delicately formed. [F]

mignonnette (mīnyo-), n. 1. Plant with fragrant flowers; colour of these, greyish green. 2. Kinds of lace & fine net. [f. F (-onn-), dim. of prec.]

migraine (mē-), n. = MEGRIM (first sense). [as MEGRIM]

migrāte (or mī-), v.i. Move from one place (country, town, college, house) to another; (of birds & fishes) come & go with the seasons. Hence or cogn. **mig'rant** a. & n., **migra'tion**, **migrāt'or**, nn., **mig'ratory** a. [f. L *migrare*, see -ATE²]

mika'dō (-kah-), n. (pl. ~s). Emperor of Japan. [Jap. *mi* august + *kado* door]

|| **Mike**¹, v.i., & n. (sl.). Shirk work, idle; (n.) idling (*on the ~*). [cf. dial. *niche* app. f. OF *muchier* to skulk]

Mike², n. (colloq.). Microphone. [abbr.] **mil**, n. A thousand (*per ~* & *as per cent*); (Pharm., short for) **MILLILITRE**; unit measure for diameter of wire etc., = $\frac{1}{1000}$ in. [f. L *mille* thousand, *millestimus* thousandth]

mil'age, n. Miles travelled, used, etc.; expenses per mile. [-AGE]

Milanese (-z), a. & n. (pl. same). (Native) of Milan, chief city of Lombardy; *the ~*, territory of old duchy of Milan. [It. (*Milano* Milan), -ESE]

milch, a. (Of domestic mammals) giving, kept for, milk; ~ cow, (fig.) source of profit, esp. person from whom money is easily drawn. [ME *melch*, f. OTeut. *melukjo* (-meluk- milk)]

mild, a. Gentle & conciliatory; (of rule, punishment, etc.) not severe; (of weather) calm & warm; (of medicine) operating gently; (of food, tobacco, etc.) not sharp or strong in taste etc.; (of beer) not strongly flavoured with hops, opp. to *bitter*; tame, feeble, lacking in energy or vivacity; ~ steel, containing small percentage of carbon, strong & tough, but not readily tempered. Hence ~EN² v.t. & i., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [com.-Teut.: OE *milde*, Du. & G *mild*]

mil'dew, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Destructive growth of minute fungi on plants; similar growth on paper, leather, etc., exposed to damp. 2. vb. Taint, be tainted, with ~. Hence ~Y² a. [(vb f. n.) OE *meledēaw*, f. OTeut. **melith* honey + *dawwo*-DEW]

mile, n. Unit of linear measure, in England now 1,760 yards (orig. Roman measure of 1,000 paces, about 1,618 yards); *geographical*, *nautical*, ~, one minute of great circle of earth, fixed by

British Admiralty at 6,080 feet; race extending over a ~; *not 100 ~s from*, in or at or close to (as sham-mysterious indication); ~stone, pillar set up on road to mark ~s, (fig.) stage, event, in life. [OE *mil*, ult. f. L *mil(l)ia* pl. of *mille* thousand] **mil'er**, n. (colloq.). Man, horse, qualified or trained specially to run a mile; also in comb., as *two-~*. [-ER¹]

Milē'sian (-shn), a. & n. Irish(man). [f. *Milesius* fabulous Spanish king whose sons are said to have conquered Ireland c. 1300 B.C., + -AN]

mil'foil, n. Common yarrow & other plants. [ME & OF, f. L *millefolium* (*mille* thousand + *folium* leaf)]

mil'fary, a. (path.). Like millet-seed in size or form, as ~ gland, tubercle; ~ fever (marked by rash like measles, with vesicles of form of millet-seed). [f. L *miliarius* (as MILLET, -ARY¹)]

milieu (see Ap.), n. Environment, state of life, social surroundings. [F]

mil'itant, a. Engaged in (esp. spiritual) warfare, as *the Church ~*; combative. Hence **mil'itancy** n., ~LY² adv. [F, as MILITATE, see -ANT]

mil'itarism, n. Spirit, tendencies, of the professional soldier; undue prevalence of military spirit or ideals. So ~IZA'TION n., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. F *militarisme* (as MILITARY, see -ISM)]

mil'itarist, n. Student of military science; one dominated by military ideas. [-IST]

mil'itary, a. & n. 1. Of, done by, befitting, soldiers; ~ band, wood-wind, brass, & percussion combination; ~ chest, treasury of army; ~ fever, enteric; ~ testament, soldier's nuncupative will. 2. n. (Usu. *the ~*) soldiery, troops, the army. Hence **mil'itarily**² adv. [f. F *militaire* f. L *militaris* (*miles* -itis soldier, see -ATE²)]

mil'itāte, v.i. Take part in warfare (usu. fig.); (of facts, evidence) have force, tell, (*against*, rarely in favour of, conclusion etc.). [f. L *militare* (*miles* -itis soldier), see -ATE²]

mil'i'tia (-sha), n. Military force, esp. citizen army; branch of British military service formerly raised by the several counties, usu. by voluntary enlistment; || British conscript army formed 1939; ~man, member of the ~. [L (as prec.)]

milk¹, n. 1. Opaque white fluid secreted by female mammals for nourishment of their young; (fig.) ~ for babes, simple forms of literature, doctrine, etc., opp. to *strong meat*; CONDENSED ~; ~ & honey, abundant means of enjoyment; ~ of human kindness, kindness natural to humanity; *no use crying over spilt ~* (irremediable loss or error); ~like juice of plants; ~like preparation of herbs, drugs, etc., as ~ of almonds. 2. ~ & water, feeble or mawkish discourse or sentiment

(attrib. *~d-water*); *~bar* (for sale of beverages made from *~*, other non-alcoholic drinks, ice cream, etc.); *~crust*, skin-eruption in infants; *~fever* (occurring to women shortly after childbirth); *~leg*, swelling, esp. of legs, after childbirth; *~float*, light low vehicle used in delivering *~*; *~maid*, woman who milks or works in dairy; *~man*, man who milks *~*; *~powder*, *~* dehydrated by evaporation; *~pudding* (of rice, sago, tapioca, etc., baked with *~* in dish); *~punch*, drink made of spirits & *~*; *~shake*¹; *~sop*, spiritless man or youth; *~tooth*, temporary tooth in young mammals; *~walk*, *~man's* round; *~weed*, kinds of wild plant with milky juice; *~white* (as *~*); *~wort*, kinds of plant. [com.-Teut.: OMerclan *milc*, Du. *melk*, G. *milch*, f. OTeut. *meluks* (*melk* vb, cogn. w. Gk *amelgō*, L *mulgere* to milk)]

milk², v.t. Draw milk from (cow, ewe, goat); *~ the ram or bull*, engage in hopeless enterprise; get money out of, exploit, (person); (sl.) steal message from (telegraph or telephone wire); extract juice, virus, etc., from (snake etc.). [OE *milcian* (as prec.)]

mil'ky, a. Of, like, mixed with, milk; (of liquid) cloudy, not clear; effeminate, weakly amiable; *M~y Way*, luminous band of countless stars encircling the heavens. Hence *~iness* n. [-Y²]

mill¹, n. 1. Building fitted with machinery for grinding corn (often *water~*, *wind~*; *put, go, through the~*, subject to, undergo, training or experience; *the ~s of God grind slowly*, retribution is often delayed). 2. Any mechanical apparatus for grinding corn; apparatus for grinding any solid substance to powder or pulp, as *coffee*, *pepper*, *paper*, etc. 3. Any machine, or building fitted with machinery, for manufacturing processes etc., as *saw*, *cotton*, *silk*, *~* (*~hand*, factory worker).

4. Pugilistic encounter. 5. *~board*, stout pasteboard for bookbinding etc.; *~dam*, dam put across stream to make it available for *~*; *~pond*, water retained by this (*like a ~pond*, said of calm sea), (joc.) = *HEERING-pond*; *~race*, current of water that drives *~wheel*; *~stone*, one of pair of circular stones for grinding corn, as *NETHER ~stone*, see *far into a ~stone*, (usu. iron.) be extraordinarily acute, between *upper & nether ~stone*, subject to irresistible pressure; *~stone grit*, a hard siliceous rock; *~wheel*, one (esp. water-wheel) used to drive *~*; *~wright*, one who designs or erects *~s*. [OE *mylen* f. LL *molitum*, *-na* (*mola* mill f. root of *molere* grind)]

mill², v.t. & i. Thicken (cloth etc.) by fulling; grind (corn), produce (flour), in mill; produce regular markings on edge of (coin, esp. in p.p.); beat (chocolate) to froth; beat, strike, fight, (person); (of

cattle or persons) move round & round in a mass. [f. prec.]

'mill³, n. One-thousandth of a dollar, money of account. [f. L *milliesimus* thousandth part, on anal. of CENT]

millenar'ian, a. & n. Of the millennium; (person) believing in this. Hence *~ism* n. [as foll. +AN]

mill'enary, a. & n. (Period) of 1,000 years; of, (person) believing in, the millennium. [f. L *millenarius* consisting of a thousand (*milleni* a thousand each f. *mille* thousand, -ARY¹)]

millenn'ium, n. Period of a thousand years, esp. that of Christ's reign in person on earth (*Rev.* xx. 1-5); (fig.) period of good government, great happiness, & prosperity. Hence *~al* a. [f. L *mille* thousand + *annus* year, on anal. of *biennium* two years' space]

mill'epede, mill'i-, n. Kinds of myriapods, with numerous legs usu. placed on each segment in double pairs; kinds of terrestrial crustacean, esp. common woodlouse & armadillo. [f. L *millepeda* woodlouse (*mille* thousand + *pes pedis* foot)]

mill'er, n. Proprietor, tenant, of corn-mill; one who works any mill; kinds of white or white-powdered insect; cockchafer; *~s thumb*, bull-head & other fishes. [MILL¹ + ER¹]

millés'imal, a. & n. Thousandth (part); consisting of thousandths. [f. L *milliesimus* (*mille* thousand + *-al*)]

mill'et, n. Gramineous plant, native of India, bearing large crop of small nutritious seeds; its seed; *~grass*, a tall handsome grass. [F, dim. of *mil* f. L *milium*]

mill'i- in comb. = one-thousandth of a — (in metric system), as: *~gramme* (0.054 of English grain); *~litre* (-ster; 0.01 cub. in.); *~mètre* (-ter; 0.094 in.). [L *mille* thousand, -i-]

|| mill'iard (-yard), n. A thousand millions. [F (*mille* thousand)]

mill'in'er, n. Person (usu. woman) who makes up hats & other female headgear; *man ~er*, (fig.) man busied in trifling occupations. Hence *~ERY*(1) n. [f. *Milan* + *-er*¹; orig. = vendor of Milan goods]

mill'ion (-yon), n. & a. A thousand thousand (things, of things, or abs.); a ~ pounds or ~dollars; *the ~*, bulk of the population. Hence *~fold* a. & adv., *~th* a. & n., (-yan-). [F, f. It. *millione* (*mille* thousand + *-one* -oon)]

millionaire (-yan-), n. Person possessing a million pounds, dollars, francs, etc.; person of great wealth. [f. F *millionnaire* (prec., -ARY¹)]

millipede. See **MILLEPADA**.

Mills bômb (-z; -m), n. Oval hand-grenade. [inventor]

milord(d)', n. French word for English lord or wealthy Englishman. [f. E *my lord*]

mim'reis (-dis), *n.* Former Portuguese gold coin worth 4s. 5½d. [Port. (*mil* thousand + *reis*)]

milit, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Spleen in mammals; analogous organ in other vertebrates; roe of male fish. 2. *v.t.* Impregnate (roe of female). [(vb f. *n.*) OE *milte*, cf. Du. *mil*, G *mils*, perh. cogn. w. MELT]

milit'er, *n.* Male fish in spawning time. [-ER']

Milton'ic, *a.* Of, in the style of, Milton. So Milton'IAN *a.* [-IO]

mime, *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. (Gk or Rom. Ant.) simple farcical drama marked by mimicry; performer in this; pantomimist, buffoon. 2. *v.i.* Act with mimic gesture, usu. without words. [(vb f. *n.*) f. L f. Gk *mimos*]

mim'eograph (-ahf), *n.*, & *v.t.* Apparatus for making stencils of written pages, from which many copies may be taken; (*v.t.*) reproduce by means of ~. [Irreg. f. Gk *mimnēmatē* imitate, see -GRAPH]

mimēs'is, *n.* (biol.). Close external resemblance between animal & another animal or inanimate object. [Gk, = imitation (as prec.)]

mimēt'ic, *a.* Of, addicted to, imitation, mimicry, or mimesis. Hence ~ICALLY *adv.* [f. Gk *mimētikos* (as prec., see -ETIC)]

mim'ic, *a.* & *n.* 1. Apt to imitate; imitative as opp. to *real*. 2. *n.* Person skilled in ludicrous imitation. [f. L f. Gk *mimikos* (as *MIME*, see -IO)]

mim'ic, *v.t.* (~ked, ~king). Ridicule by imitating (person, manner, etc.); copy minutely or servilely; (of things) resemble closely. [f. prec.]

mim'icry, *n.* Mimicking; thing that mimics another; (Zool.) = MIMESIS. [MIMIC + -RY]

mim'in'y-pim'in'y, *a.* Over-refined, finicking. [imft.]

mimōs'a (or -x-), *n.* Genus of leguminous shrubs, including common Sensitive Plant. [f. L as *MIME* + -osa fem. suf., see -OS-']

mim'ulus, *n.* Genus of flowering plants, incl. monkey-flower. [prob. dim. as prec.]

min'a, *n.* (pl. -ae). Ancient-Greek denomination of money, about £4; ancient unit of weight in Greece, Egypt, etc., about 1 lb. [L, f. Gk *mina*]

min'a, *n.* Kinds of eastern passerine bird. [f. Hind. *maina*]

minā'ciūs (-shus), *a.* Threatening. Hence ~LY *adv.*, minā'CIUSLY *[f. L minax (minari threaten, see -ACIOUS)]*

|| **minār**, *n.* Lighthouse; turret. [f. Arab. *manar* f. root of *nār* fire]

min'aret, *n.* Slender turret connected with mosque, from which muezzin calls people to prayer. [f. Arab. *manarat* (as prec.)]

min'atory, *a.* Threatening. [f. OF *minatoire* f. LL *minatorius* (minari threaten, -ary)]

mince, *n.* Minced meat; ~meat, mixture of currants, raisins, sugar, apples, candied-peel, etc., for ~pie (small round pie containing this); *make* ~meat of, destroy (person, argument, etc.). [f. foll.]

mince, *v.t.* & *i.* Cut (meat etc.) small; (usu. w. negative) ~ matters, express oneself politely in condemnation; restrain (one's words) within bounds of politeness; utter (words), walk, with affected delicacy, whence min'cingly *adv.* [f. OF *mincier* f. pop. L *minutiare* (as MINUTIA)]

|| **Min'cing Lane**, *n.* (Used for) the wholesale trade in tea & similar imports. [London street]

mind, *n.* 1. Remembrance, as *have or keep in ~*, *bring or call to ~*, *remember*, *go or pass out of ~*, *be forgotten*; TIME *out of ~*. 2. Candid opinion, as *speak one's ~*, *tell (person) one's ~*, *give him a piece of one's ~*. 3. *Be of (person's) ~*, agree in opinion with him; *to my ~*, as I think; *be of a or one ~*, agree; *know one's own ~*, form & adhere to decision; *make up one's ~*, resolve (to do, to a course etc., or abs.), reconcile oneself to fact as inevitable (*the crop is ruined, we must make up our ~s to that*); *change one's ~*, alter one's purpose; *have a good or great ~*, half a ~, be strongly, somewhat, disposed (to do); *be in two ~s*, vacillate, be irresolute; MONTH'S ~. 4. Direction of thoughts or desires, as *set one's ~ on*, desire to attain, *give one's ~ (attention) to*; *to one's ~*, as one would have it. 5. Way of thinking & feeling, as *frame, state, of ~*. 6. Seat of consciousness, thought, volition, & feeling. 7. Soul, opp. to *body*; ~s eye, mental view. 8. Person, as embodying mental qualities. 9. Intellectual powers, opp. to will & emotions, whence ~LESS *a.* 10. ABSENCE, PRESENCE, of ~; ~stuff (Philos.), supposed rudimentary form of psychical existence regarded as the reality of which matter is an aspect. [ME *mynd*, cf. OHG *gemund* f. OTeut. *gamundis* (ga- y + mun- think, intend, cogn. w. L *mens* mind, Gk *menos* rage)]

mind, *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Bear in mind (chiefly in imperat.); *give heed to*, as *never ~ the expense*. 2. Concern oneself (*never ~ imperat.*, take comfort, also as refusal to answer question). 3. Apply oneself to (business etc.); ~ your own business, leave other people's alone). 4. (Chiefly in neg. or quasi-neg. sentences) object to, as *would you ~ ringing?*, *I should not ~ (should like) a cup of tea, if you don't ~ (have no objection)*. 5. Remember & take care (*that* thing is done, or omit *that*). 6. ~ you or ~ (parenth. imperat.), please to observe (*but I have no objection, ~ you; now ~, not a word till I give the signal*); (sl.) ~ your eye, be on the lookout; ~ one's P's & Q's, be careful as to one's words or behaviour. 7. Be on one's guard against

or about, as ~ *the step* (remember there is one). 8. Have charge of. Hence ~ *man* n., one whose business it is to attend to something, (now esp.) machine ~ *er*. [f. prec.]

mind'ed, a. Disposed (to do); having (specified) mind, as *high, small*, ~. [-ED¹]

mind'ful, a. Taking thought or care (of, or abs.). Hence ~ *ly* adv., ~ *ness* n. [MIND¹ + -FUL]

mine¹, n. 1. Excavation in earth for metal, coal, salt, etc.; (fig.) abundant source (of information etc.); iron ore. 2. (Mil. etc.) subterranean gallery in which explosive is placed to blow up fortifications, (formerly) subterranean passage under wall of besieged fortress; receptacle filled with explosive placed in or on ground for destroying enemy personnel or material, or moored beneath or floating on or near surface of water for destroying or impeding enemy ships; ACOUSTIC, MAGNETIC, ~; ~ *field*, area of land or sea beset with ~s; ~ *layer*, ship or aircraft for laying ~s; ~ *sweeper*, ship for clearing away floating or submarine ~s; ~ *thrower* [tr. of G *minenwerfer*], trench mortar. [F, etym. dub.]

mine², v.t. & i. Burrow (in earth); make (hole) underground; make subterranean passages under; (fig.) undermine; (Mil. etc.) lay mines under or in; obtain (metal etc.) from mine; dig (in earth etc.) for ore etc. [f. F *miner* (prec.)]

mine³, poss. pron. & a. corresponding in pred. & elliptical uses to MY, as *it is ~, I have lost ~, me & ~* (my relations), *is a friend of ~*; also used (arch., poet.) before noun beginning with vowel or h, as ~ *eyes*. [com.-Teut.: OE *min*, Du. *mijn*, G *mein*]

min'er, n. One who works in a mine; soldier whose duty it is to lay mines; *RAPPERS & ~s*. [f. OF *minour* (as *MINER*², see -OR²)]

min'eral, a. & n. (Substance) obtained by mining; (belonging to) any of the species into which inorganic substances are classified; ~ *KINGDOM*; ~ *water*, water found in nature impregnated with ~ substance, artificial imitation of this, esp. soda-water, also, other effervescent drink, e.g. ginger-beer; || (esp. in pl.) artificial ~ water; ~ *jelly*, vaseline; ~ *WOOL*. Hence ~ *iza'tion* n., ~ *ize*(3) v.t. & i. [f. F *minéral* f. med. L *mineralis* (minera mine f. com.-Rom. ~ *mina*, see -AL)]

miner'al'ogy, n. Science of minerals. Hence ~ *al'ogical* a., ~ *al'ogically*² adv., ~ *al'ogist* n. (f. prec. + -LOGY)

Min'er'va, n. Roman goddess of wisdom; ~ *press*, printing-press in London, ultra-sentimental novels issued from it c. 1800. [L]

min'iver, -*iver*, n. Kind of fur used in ceremonial costume. [f. F *menuisier* (menu small, as MINUTE²; *vier* kind of fur, as *vison*)]

mingle (ming'gl), v.t. & i. Mix, blend; ~ *their* etc. *tears*, weep together; ~ *with*, go about among. [ME *mengel* f. obs. *meng* f. OE *mengan*, cf. Du. & G *mengen*, see -LE(3)]

|| **min'gy** (-j), a. (colloq.). Mean, stingy. [prob. portmanteau of MEAN² and stingy]

min'iate, v.t. Paint with vermilion; illuminate (manuscript). [f. L *miniare* (minium native cinnabar, red lead), see -ATE²]

min'ature, n. & a., & v.t. 1. Picture in illuminated manuscript; small-scale minutely finished portrait, usu. on ivory or vellum; this branch of painting, as *portrait in ~*; reduced image; *in ~*, on a small scale. 2. adj. Represented on small scale, small-scale. 3. v.t. Represent in ~. Hence min'aturest (-ya-) n. [(vb f. n.) f. It. f. med. L *miniatura* (as prec., see -URE)]

min'ify, v.t. Represent as smaller or less important than it is; lessen in size or importance. [irreg. f. L *minor* less, see -FY]

min'ikin, n. & a. Diminutive (creature); affected, mincing. [f. Du. *minnen* (minne love + *kijn* -KIN)]

min'im, n. (Mus.) note half the value of SEMIBREVE; single down-stroke of pen; creature of the smallest size or importance; sixtieth part of fluid drachm. [f. L *minimus* smallest]

min'im'al, a. Very minute; the least possible, of minimum. [as prec., see -AL]

min'im'alist, n. Person ready to accept a minimum provisionally (opp. MAXIMALIST). [prec., -IST]

min'imiz'e, v.t. Reduce to, estimate at, smallest possible amount or degree. Hence ~ *A'TION* n. [as prec., see -IZE]

min'im'um, n. (pl. -*ima*). Least amount attainable, usual, etc.; ~ *thermometer* (automatically recording lowest temperature within period); ~ *wage* (than which, by law or agreement, less is not to be offered). [L, neut. as foll.]

|| **min'im'us**, a. (In schools) youngest of the name, as *Jones ~*. [L, -least]

min'ion (-yon), n. Favourite child, servant, animal, etc. (derog.); slave; ~ *s of the law*, gaolers, police, etc.; (Print.) size of TYPE. [f. F *mignon*, etym. dub.]

min'ish, v.t. & i. (arch.) Diminish (t. & i.); reduce in power etc. [f. OF *menisier* f. vulg. L ~ *minuare* (as MINUTE²)]

min'ister¹, n. Person employed in execution of (purpose, will, etc.); person administering department of State; *PRIME ~*; political agent accredited by one State to another; clergyman esp. in Presbyterian and Nonconformist Churches; (also ~ *general*) superior of some religious orders. [f. OF *ministre* f. L *minister* servant (minus loss)]

min'ister², v.t. & i. Render aid or service (to person, cause, etc.); ~ *thy angel*, w. ref. to Mark i. 13, esp. of sick-nurse

etc.); be helpful, contribute, (to result); (arch.) furnish, supply, (help etc.). [f. OF *ministrier* f. L *ministrare* (prec.)]

minist'rial, a. Concerned with the execution of law; subsidiary, instrumental; of a minister of religion or his office; of a minister of State; siding with the Ministry against Opposition, whence ~IST(2) n. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *ministériel* f. L *ministerialis* (as MINISTRY, see -AL)]

minist'rātion, n. Ministering, esp. in religious matters; supplying (of). So **min'istrant** a. & n., **min'istrative** a. [f. L *ministratio* (as MINISTER³, see -ATION)]

min'istry, n. Ministering; the body of ministers of State or of religion; State department, as Air M~, M~ of Agriculture & Fisheries, of Education, of Food, of Fuel & Power, of Health, of Labour, of Transport. [f. L *ministerium* (as MINISTER¹)]

min'ium, n. Red oxide of lead; cinnabar. [L]

min'iver. See MINEVER.

mink, n. Small semi-aquatic stoat-like animal; its fur. [Sw. has *menk*]

minn'esinger, n. German lyrical poet & singer in 12-14th cc. [G (*minne* love)]

Minn'ie, n. (army sl.). Trench mortar. [abbr. of G *minenwerfer* minethrower]

minn'ow (-ō), n. Small freshwater fish (loosely used of several kinds, esp. stickleback); *Triton among the ~s*, one who seems great from insignificance of others. [prob. = OHG *munewa*; OE has *myne*]

Minō'an, a. (archaeol.). Of the Cretan civilization (3000-1500 B.C.) named from king Minos. [f. Gk *Minōs* + -AN]

min'or, a. & n. 1. Lesser (not followed by *than*), as ~ PROPHETS; ~ canon, clergyman assisting in daily cathedral service, not member of chapter; comparatively unimportant, as ~ poet; (Log.) ~ term, subject of conclusion of categorical syllogism, ~ premiss (containing this); (Mus.) ~ interval, see MAJOR²; ~ key (in which scale has ~ third), (fig.) conversation in a ~ key (doleful); ~ suit (Bridge), diamonds or clubs; (in schools) *Jones ~* (the younger). 2. n. Franciscan friar; ~ term or premiss; person under age. [L, =less]

Minōrc'a, n. One of the Balearic Isles; ~ (fowl), black variety brought from Spain. [f. Sp. *Menorca*]

minō'rity, n. State of being under age, period of this; smaller number or part, esp. smaller party voting together against majority; number of votes cast for this. [f. med. L *minoritas* (as MINOR, see -TY)]

Min'otaur (-tōr), n. The ~, fabulous monster, half bull half man, fed with human flesh. [f. Gk *Minōtauros* (*Minōs*, king of Crete, husband of ~'s mother, + *tauros*, bull)]

min'ster, n. Church of a monastery; name of important church, cathedral. [f. *minister* (as MONASTERY)]

min'stel, n. Mediaeval singer or musician, who sang or recited (often his own) poetry; (hist.) person who entertained his patrons with singing, buffoonery, etc.; (pl.) band of public entertainers, with blacked faces etc., performing songs & music ostensibly of negro origin. [f. OF *menestrel* (as MINISTERIAL)]

min'strel'sy, n. Minstrel's art; minstrels; minstrel poetry. [f. OF *menestralsie*, as prec.]

mint¹, n. Place where money is coined, usu. under State authority; (fig.) source of invention etc.; (transf.) ~ state, condition, (of books, prints, postage-stamps, etc.) fresh, unsold, perfect; vast sum of money; ~ mark, mark placed on coin to show at what ~ it was struck (also fig.); ~ master, superintendent of coinage at ~. [OE *mynet* f. L *moneta* MONEY]

mint², v.t. Make (coin) by stamping metal; invent, coin, (word, phrase, etc.). Hence **min'tage**(3, 4) n. [f. prec.]

mint³, n. Aromatic plant, much used in cookery; ~ sauce (of finely chopped ~ with vinegar & sugar, eaten with roast lamb), || also, with pun on **mint¹**, money. [OE *mintē* = OHG *minsa* f. L *menta* f. Gk *minthē*]

minū'et, n. Slow stately dance for two in triple measure; music for this, music in same rhythm & style. [f. F *menuet*, dim. of *menu* (as MINUTE a.)]

min'us, quasi-prep. & a. With the deduction of (symbol -), as 7 ~ 4 is equal to 3; (colloq.) deprived of, as he came back ~ an arm; a ~ (negative) quantity. [L, neut. of MINOR]

minūs'cūle, a. & n. (Of kind of cursive script developed in 7th c.) small; (n.) small letter. [F, f. L *minusculus* dim. of MINOR]

min'ute¹ (-it), n. 1. Sixtieth part of hour; short time, instant; exact point of time, as the ~ (that), as soon as. 2. Sixtieth part of degree (in angles). 3. Rough draft, memorandum; (pl.) brief summary of proceedings of assembly, committee, etc.; official memorandum authorizing or recommending a course, as a *Treasury ~*. 4. ~ book (for writing ~s in); ~ gun (fired at intervals of a ~); ~ hand (indicating ~s on watch or clock); ~ man (hist.), American militiaman of revolutionary period (because ready to march at a ~'s notice); ~ mark (' , cf. SECOND-mark). [F, f. L *minuta* fem. as MINUTE²]

min'ute² (-it), v.t. Find the exact time of; draft (document, scheme); record in minutes; ~ down, make a note of. [f. prec.]

minū'te³, a. Very small; trifling, petty; (of inquiry, inquirer, etc.) accurate, precise. Hence ~ly¹ (-ūt'ly) (-LY²) adv., ~ness (-ūt'n-) n. [f. L *minutus*, p.p. of *minuere* lessen]

min'ute'ly³ (-n'til), a. Occurring every

minute. So ~LY² (-nítli) adv. [MINUT¹ + LY¹]
minút'ia (-shia), n. (usu. in pl. -ae). Precise or trivial detail. [L (as MINUT²)]
minx, n. Pert girl, hussy, flirt. [f]
mi'ocene, a. & n. (geol.). (Of) a division of the Tertiary preceding the Pliocene. [irreg. f. Gk *meiôn* less + *kainos* new]
mir (mēr), n. Russian village community. [Russ.]
mir'acle, n. Marvellous event due to some supernatural agency; remarkable occurrence; remarkable specimen (of ingenuity, impudence, etc.); to a ~, surprisingly well; (also ~ *play*) dramatic representation in Middle Ages, based on life of Christ or saints. [OF, f. L *miraculum* (*mirari* wonder f. *mirus* wonderful)]
mirac'ulous, a. Supernatural; surprising. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *miraculeux* f. med. L *miraculosus* (as prec., see -OUS)]
mirage' (-ahzh), n. Optical illusion, esp. illusive appearance of sheet of water in desert etc. (also fig.). [F, f. (se) *mirer* look at oneself in mirror, be reflected, f. L *mirari* wonder at]
mir'e¹, n. Swampy ground, bog; *stick, find oneself, in the ~* (in difficulties); mud, dirt. [ME, f. ON *myrr*, cogn. with MOSS]
mir'e², v.t. Plunge in mire; (fig.) involve in difficulties; defile, bespatter. [f. prec.]
mir'ror, n., & v.t. 1. Polished usu. glass surface reflecting image, looking-glass; (fig.) what gives faithful reflection or true description of thing. 2. v.t. Reflect as in ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *mirour* f. pop. L *miratorium* (*mirare* look at, f. L *mirari* wonder at, see -ORY)]
mir'rh, n. Merriment. Hence ~FUL, ~LESS, aa., ~fulLY² adv., ~fulness n. [OE *myrigh*, cogn. w. MERRY]
mir'y, a. Muddy; vile. [f. MIRE¹ + -Y²]
mir'za (mēr'zah), n. (In Persia) title added to name of prince or prefixed to that of official or man of learning. [Pers.]
mis¹, pref. added freely to vbs & vbl nn. w. sense 'amiss', 'badly', 'wrongly', 'unfavourably', or intensifying unfavourable meaning contained in vb (*mis'doubt*). [OE, cf. Du. *mis*-, G *miss*- f. OTeut. *misso*- (1) divergent (2) mutual]
mis², pref. to vbs, adj., & un., derived f. F, in same sense as prec. [f. OF *mes*- f. MINUS, used in com.-Rom. as pref.]
misadven'ture, n. (Piece of) bad luck; (Law) homicide by ~ (accident). [f. OF *mesaventure* (see MIS² & ADVENTURE)]
misall'i'ance, n. Unsuitable alliance, esp. marriage. [MIS¹, after MISALLIANCE]
mis'an'thrope, n. Hater of mankind; one who avoids human society. Hence or cogn. *misanthrōp'* (to AL) aa., *mis'an-thropist*, *mis'an'thropy*¹, nn., *mis'an-*

thropiciz(2) v.i. [f. Gk *misēanthrōpos* (*misēō* hate + *anthrōpos* man)]
misapplic'a'tion, n. Wrong application, wrong use (esp. of funds). [MIS¹]
misappl'y, v.t. Apply wrongly. [MIS¹]
misapp'r'eh'end, v.t. Misunderstand (words, person). So ~en'sion (-shn) n., ~en'sive a. [MIS¹]
misapp'rōp'ri'ate, v.t. Apply (usu. another's money) to wrong (esp. one's own) use. So ~a'tion n. [MIS¹]
misbecome' (-üm), v.t. Suit ill, be unbecoming to. [MIS¹]
misb'egott'en, a. Illegitimate, bastard, (often as general term of opprobrium). [MIS¹ + *begotten* p.p. of BEGET]
misb'ehäve', v.t. Behave (oneself, or abs.) improperly. So *misb'ehäv'our* (-yer) n. [MIS¹]
misb'elief, n. Wrong religious belief; false opinion. So ~iev'er n., ~iev'ing a. [MIS¹]
misbecem', v.t. Misbecome. [MIS¹]
miscäl'culä'te, v.t. & i. Calculate (amount, results, etc., or abs.) wrongly. So ~a'tion n. [MIS¹]
miscall' (-awl), v.t. Call by a wrong name; || (dial.) call (person) names. [MIS¹]
miscä'rriage (-rij), n. Failure (of letter) to reach destination; ~ (failure of court to attain the ends) of justice; untimely delivery (of woman), abortion; failure (of scheme etc.). [MIS¹]
miscä'rriy, v.i. (Of person or business) fail, be unsuccessful; (of woman) be delivered prematurely (of child); (of letter) fail to reach destination. [MIS¹]
miscas'ting (-ah-), n. Wrong addition (of accounts); unsuitable casting (of actors). [MIS¹]
misc'eg'na'tion, n. Mixture of races, esp. sexual union of whites with negroes. [irreg. f. L *miscere* mix + *genus* race + -ATION]
miscellän'ea, n. Literary miscellany. [L, neut. pl. as foll.]
miscellän'eous, a. Of mixed composition or character; (w. pl. noun) of various kinds; (of persons) many-sided. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *miscellaneous* (*miscellus* mixed f. *miscere* mix, see -ANEUS)]
mis'cellan'y (or *mis'el*), n. Mixture, medley; collection of treatises etc. in one volume; such volume. Hence *miscell'i-anist*(3) n. [prob. f. F *miscellanées* fem. pl. (as MISCELLANEA)]
mischance' (-ahns), n. (Piece of) bad luck, esp. by ~. [f. OF *mesch(e)ance* (MIS², CHANCE n.)]
mis'chief (-chif), n. Harm, injury, wrought by person or other agent (*do one a ~*, vulg., wound or kill him); *make ~*, create discord, so ~maker, -making; the ~ (annoying part) of it is that etc.;

worker, source, of harm or annoyance; vexatious conduct, esp. of children; pranks, scrapes, (*get into, keep out of, ~*); playful malice, archness, satire, (*eyes full of ~*); where the ~ (devil) have you been? [f. OF *meschief* (MS-¹, chief end, CHIEF)]

mis'chievous (-chiv-), a. (Of things) having harmful effects; (of persons, conduct, etc.) disposed to acts of playful malice or annoyance. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. AF *meschevous* (prec., -OUS)]

mis'cible (-sī-), a. That can be mixed (*with*). Hence ~BIL/ITY n. [f. L *miscere* mix, -BLE]

misconceive' (-sēv), v.i. & t. Have a wrong conception (of, or abs.); misunderstand (word, person). So **misconcep'tion** n. [MS-¹]

miscon'duct, n. Improper conduct, esp. adultery; bad management. So **miscon'duct'** v.t. & refl. [MS-¹]

miscon'struce (-ō; or -konstrōb'), v.t. Put wrong construction on (word, action); mistake meaning of (person). So **mis-construc'tion** n. [MS-¹]

miscount', n., & v.t. & i. (Make) wrong count, esp. of votes; count (things) wrongly. [MS-¹]

mis'creant, a. & n. 1. (Arch.) heretical; depraved. 2. n. (arch.). Heretic; vile wretch. [f. OF *mescreant* (MS-² + *creant* f. L *credere* believe, see -ANT)]

miscre'at'ed, a. Ill-formed (often as abusive epithet). So ~ā'tion n. [MS-¹]

mis-cue', n., & v.i. (billiards). 1. Failure to strike ball properly with cue. 2. v.i. Make a ~. [MS-¹ or MISS v.]

mis'date', v.t. Date wrong. [MS-¹]

misdeal', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make mistake in dealing (cards, but usu. abs.). 2. n. Such mistake. [MS-¹]

misdeed', n. Evil deed; crime. [OE *misdeð* (see MS-¹ & DEED)]

misdeem', v.t. & i. (arch., poet.). Have wrong opinion of; mistake (person, thing for another); form wrong judgement (of). [MS-¹]

misde'mean'ant, n. Person convicted of misdemeanour or guilty of misconduct; first, second, -class ~ (to be treated with more, less, indulgence). [f. arch. *misde'mean* (MS-¹ + DE'MEAN) + ANT]

misde'mean'our (-nor), n. (Law) indictable offence less heinous than felony; offence, misdeed. [MS-¹]

misdirect', v.t. Direct (person, blow, etc.) wrongly. So **misdir'ec'tion** n. [MS-¹]

misdo'ing (-dō-), n. Misdeed. [MS-¹]

misdoubt' (-owt), v.t. (arch.). Have doubts as to the truth or existence of; have misgivings, be suspicious, about; suspect (*that*). [MS-¹]

mis'e (mēs, mis), n. (Hist.) settlement by agreement, as *M~ of Leves* (between Henry III & barons, 1264); ~ *en scene*

(F, see Ap.), scenery & properties of acted play, (fig.) surroundings of an event. [OF fem. p.p. of *mettre* put f. L *mittere* mis-send, used as n.]

mis'er¹ (-z-), n. One who hoards wealth & lives miserably; avaricious person. [L, -wretched]

mis'er² (-z-), n. Boring instrument for well-sinking. [?]

mis'er'nable (-z-), a. Wretchedly unhappy; (of events etc.) causing wretchedness; contemptible, mean, as a ~le hovel. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *miserable* f. L *miserabilis* (miserari pity f. miser wretched, -BLE)]

mis'erē'ē (-z-), n. Fifty-first psalm (*M~ mei Deus*); cry for mercy; (improp.) = foll. (last sense). [L, have mercy (misereri as MISER¹)]

mis'ricōrd (-z-), n. 1. Apartment in monastery in which some indulgences were permitted. 2. Dagger for giving the *coup de grâce*. 3. Shelving projection on under side of hinged seat in choir stall, serving when seat was turned up to support person standing. [f. OF *miseri-corde* f. L *miseriordia* f. *misericos* compassionate (stem of *misereri* pity + *cor* -rdis heart)]

mis'eril'y (-z-), a. Like a miser, stingy. Hence ~INESS a. [-LY¹]

mis'er'y (-z-), n. Wretched state of mind or of outward circumstances; (Cards, colloq. for F *misère*) declaration by which caller undertakes not to take any tricks. [f. OF *miserie* f. L *miseria* (as MISER¹)]

misfeas'ance (-z-), n. (Law) transgression, esp. wrongful exercise of lawful authority (also gen., esp. joc.). [f. OF *mesfaisance* f. *mesfaire* misdo (MS-², *faire* do f. L *facere*), -ANCE]

misfire', v.i., & n. (Of gun, motor engine, etc.) fail(ing) to go off or start action. [prob. for MISS² fire]

misfit', n. Garment etc. that does not fit the person it is meant for. [MS-¹]

misfōrt'une (-ohn, -tyōn), n. Bad luck (*more his ~ than his fault*). [MS-¹]

misgive', v.t. (Person's) mind ~s him, fills him with suspicion or foreboding (*about thing, that*). [MS-¹]

misgiv'ing, n. Feeling of mistrust or apprehension. [f. prec. + -ING¹]

misgo'vern (-gū-), v.t. Govern (State etc.) badly. So ~ment n. [MS-¹]

misguide' (-gid), v.t. (chiefly in p.p.). Mislead, cause to err in thought or action. Hence ~edLY² adv. [MS-¹]

mis'hān'dle (-s-h-), v.t. Handle (person, thing) roughly or rudely, ill-treat. [MS-¹]

mis'hāp' (-s-h-), n. Unlucky accident. [MS-¹]

mishear' (-s-h-), v.t. Hear amiss or imperfectly. [MS-¹]

mis'hit, n., & v.t. 1. Faulty or bad hit.

2. v.t. (pr. mis-hit'). Hit (a ball) faultily. [MS-¹]

mish'māsh, n. Confused mixture. [redupl. f. MASH n.]

mish'nā(h) (-na), n. Collection of precepts forming basis of Talmud. Hence ~IO a. [post-bibl. Heb., =repetition, instruction, (shanaḥ repeat)]

misin|form', v.t. Give wrong information to, mislead. So ~formā'tion n. [MS-¹]

misinterp'rēt, v.t. Give wrong interpretation to, make wrong inference from. So ~ā'tion n. [MS-¹]

misjudge', v.t. & i. Judge wrongly (person etc., or abs.); have wrong opinion of. [MS-¹]

mislay', v.t. Put (thing) by accident where it cannot readily be found. [MS-¹]

mislead' (-lēd), v.t. Lead astray, cause to go wrong, in conduct; give wrong impression to. [OE *mislēdan*, see MIS-¹ & LEAD¹]

mislike', v.t. (arch.). Dislike. [OE *mis-lician*, see MIS-¹ & LIKE v.]

misman'age, v.t. Manage badly or wrongly. So ~ment (-līm-) n. [MS-¹]

misname', v.t. Call by wrong name. [MS-¹]

misnom'er, n. Use of wrong name, wrong use of term. [f. OF *mesnommer* (mes-MIS-¹ + *nommer* vb name f. L *nominare*)]

mislo- in comb. = Gk *mislo-* comb. form of *miseō* hate, = hater, hatred, of', as: ~logist, ~logy, (-ōl'), hater, hatred, of reason or of learning; ~nē'ism, ~nē'ist, hatred, hater, of novelty.

mislōg'am|y, n. Hatred of marriage. So ~IST n. [f. Gk *misō(gamos)* marriage, -Y¹]

mislōg'yist (-j-, -g-), n. Hater of women. So *mislogyn'io* a. [f. Gk *misō(gunēs)* f. *gunē* woman] +IST]

mis'pickel, n. (min.). Arsenical pyrites. [G]

misplāce', v.t. Put in wrong place or hands; set (affections) on wrong object; place (confidence) amiss; time (words, action) badly. So ~MENT (-sm-) n. [MS-¹]

misprint', n., & v.t. 1. Mistake in printing. 2. v.t. Print wrongly. [MS-¹]

misprison' (-shn), n. (law). Wrong action or omission, esp. ~ of treason or felony, (now restricted to) concealment of one's knowledge of treasonable designs etc. [f. OF *mesprison* mistake (see MIS-³ & PRISON)]

|| **misprison'** (-zhn), n. (arch.). Contempt; failure to appreciate the value (of). [f. foll., after prec.]

misprize', v.t. Despise; fail to appreciate. [f. OF *mespriser* (see MIS-³ & PRIZE¹)]

mispronounce', v.t. Pronounce wrongly. So ~nūciā'tion n. [MS-¹]

misquōte', v.t. Quote wrongly. So misquōtā'tion n. [MS-¹]

misread', v.t. (-read, pr. -rēd). Read or interpret wrongly. [MS-¹]

misrepresent' (-z-), v.t. Represent

wrongly, give false account of. So ~ā'tion n. [MS-¹]

misrule' (-ōl), n. Bad government; *Lord, Abbot, Master, of M-* (hist.), person presiding over Christmas revels. [MS-¹]

miss', n. Failure to hit or attain; a ~ is as good as a mile, failure or escape is what it is, however narrow the margin; *NEAR* ~; (Billiards) give a ~, avoid hitting object ball so as to leave one's own in safe position; give (something) a ~, (also, transf.) avoid, leave alone (*I shall give the party, the prunes, a ~*). [f. foll.]

miss', v.t. & i. (Of person or missile) fail to hit (mark etc., or abs.); fail to find, get, or meet; let slip (opportunity); fail to catch (train); ~ the BUS; fail to hear or understand (remark etc.); (also ~ out) leave out (words etc. in reading, writing, etc.); fail to keep (appointment) or perform; notice esp. with regret the absence of, feel the want of; (ellipt., of internal-combustion engines) misfire; ~ fire, (of gun) fail to go off, (fig.) fail in one's object; (Naut.) ~ stays, fail in attempt to go about from one tack to another. [OE *missan*, cf. Du. & G *missen*]

miss', n. (As title of unmarried woman or girl) *M~ Smith*, (pl. *the M~ Smiths*, *the Misses Smith*; *M~* 1948 or current year, the modern girl); (usu. derog. or playful) girl, esp. schoolgirl, as a *perit* ~, whence ~ISH¹, a., ~ishNESS n.; (voc., in servants' or trade use) young lady. [abbr. of MISTRESS]

miss'al, n. Book containing service of Mass for whole year; (loosely) Rom. Cath. book of prayers, esp. illuminated one. [f. ecol. L *missale* (as MASS¹, see -AL)]

miss'el, n. (Usu. ~-thrush) kind of thrush that feeds on mistletoe berries. [OE *mistel* basil, mistletoe, cf. Du. & G *mistel*]

mis-shāp'en, a. Ill-shaped, deformed. [MS-¹ + *shapen* p.p. of SHAPE]

miss'ile, a. & n. (Object, weapon) suitable for throwing or for discharge from machine or engine (or, rarely, gun). [f. L *missilis* (mittere *miss-* send, see -IL)]

miss'ing, a. In vbl senses; also: wanting, not in its place, as *there is a page ~*, a *page is ~*; *the ~*, soldiers neither present after battle etc. nor known to have been killed or wounded; ~ *link*, thing lacking to complete series, (Zool.) hypothetical intermediate type, esp. between man & anthropoid apes. [MS-¹ + -ING¹]

mi'ssion (-shn), n. 1. Body of persons sent to foreign country to conduct negotiations etc. 2. Body sent by religious community to convert heathen; field of missionary activity; missionary post; organization in a district for conversion of the people; course of religious services etc. for this purpose. 3. Errand of political or other ~. 4. Person's vocation or divinely appointed work in life. [f. L *missio* (mittere *miss-* send, -IOX)]

mi'ssionary (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Of, concerned with, religious missions; ~-box (for contributions to ~ work). 2. n. Person who goes on ~ work; || person attached to police-court to influence or help offenders or applicants. [-ARY¹]
mi'ssioner (-sho-), n. Missionary; person in charge of parochial mission. [-ER¹]
miss'ive, a. & n. 1. Letter(s)~, letter from sovereign to dean & chapter nominating person to be elected bishop. 2. n. Letter, esp. official one. [F, f. med. L *missivus* (as MISSION, -IVE)]
mis-spell, v.t. (-spell). Spell wrongly. [MIS-¹]
mis-spénd, v.t. (-spénd). Spend amiss or wastefully (esp. in p.p.). [MIS-¹]
mis-státe, v.t. State wrongly. Hence ~MENT (-tím-) n. [MIS-¹]
miss'y, n. (Affectionate, playful, or derog.)=MISS² (not followed by name). [-Y²]
mist, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Water vapour descending in fine drops smaller than raindrops; *Scotch* ~, ~ like fine rain frequent on Scottish hills; filmy appearance before eyes caused by disorders of body or by tears. 2. vb. Cover, be covered, as with ~. Hence ~FUL a., ~LIKE a. & adv. [(vb f. OE *mistian*) OE & Du., cogn. w. Gk *omikhlē*]
mistake¹, n. Misunderstanding of a thing's meaning; error, fault, in thought or action; (emphasizing preceding statement) *and*, or *make*, no ~, undoubtedly. [f. foll.]
mistáke², v.t. & i. Misunderstand meaning or intention of (person, statement, purpose); err in opinion; (p.p.) wrong in opinion, (of action etc.) ill-judged, as *you are ~en*, ~en kindness, whence ~ENLY² adv., ~ENNESS (-n-n-) n.; ~e *A* for (think he is) *B*; *there is no ~ing*, no one can help recognizing (person, fact). Hence ~ABLE a. [L ON *mistaka* (MIS-¹+*taka* TAKE)]
mis'ter, n., & v.t. 1. Title prefixed to man's name or to designation of office etc. (written *Mr*), as *Mr Jones*, *Mr Secretary*, *Mr Speaker*; *Mr Right*, destined husband; (alone as voc., vulg.)=sir; the word ~ as title, as *please don't call me ~*; untitled person, as *be he prince or mere ~*. 2. v.t. Address as *Mr*, as *don't ~ me*. [(vb f. n.) weakened form of MASTER]
mis'tigris, n. (cards). (Blank card in) a variety of poker. [f. F *mistigri* knave of spades]
mis'time, v.t. Say, do, (thing) out of season (esp. in p.p.). [MIS-¹]
mis'tietoe (-itō, -itō), n. Parasitic plant growing on apple & other trees & bearing glutinous fruit used in making birdlime;

kiss under the ~ (w. ref. to the custom permitting a girl standing below ~ used as Christmas decoration to be kissed by the finder). [OE *mistildan* (as MISSEL+*idn* twig)]
mis'tral (or -trah'), n. Cold NW. wind in Mediterranean provinces of France etc. [F & Pr., f. L as MAGISTRAL]
misträns|läte' (-z-), v.t. Translate incorrectly. So ~lät'ion n. [MIS-¹]
mis'tress, n. 1. Woman in authority over servants; female head of household. 2. Woman who has power to control or dispose of, as *you are ~ of the situation*, *you are your own ~*, (fig. of countries) ~ of the world etc. 3. Woman who has thorough knowledge (of subject). 4. Woman loved & courted by a man; woman illicitly occupying place of wife. 5. Female teacher in school or of special subject, as *music*~. 6. || *M*~ of the *Robes*, lady charged with care of Queen's wardrobe. 7. (As title) see MRS. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *maistresse* (*maistre* MASTER¹, see -ESS¹)]
mistrí'al, n. Trial vitiated by error. [MIS-¹]
mistrúst', v.t., & n. 1. Feel no confidence in (person, oneself, one's powers etc.). 2. n. Lack of confidence, whence ~FUL a., ~fully² adv., ~fulness n. [MIS-¹]
mis'tí'y, a. Of, covered with, mist; indistinct in form; (fig.) obscure, vague, as *a ~y idea*. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [OE *mistiag* (as MIST, see -Y²)]
mis'understánd, v.t. (-stōbđ). Take (words etc., or abs.) in wrong sense; misinterpret words or actions of (person, esp. in p.p.). So ~ing n. [MIS-¹]
mis'üse' (-z), v.t. Use wrongly, apply to wrong purpose; ill-treat. So *mis'üse*' (-s) n. [MIS-¹]
míte, n. (Orig.) Flemish copper coin of small value; (pop.) half-farthing (as in *Mark* xii. 42); modest contribution, the best one can do, as *let me offer my ~ of comfort*; (colloq.) *not a ~*, not at all; small object, esp. child; *a ~ of a* (a tiny) child etc.; [OE *míte*, perh. different wd] kinds of arachnid, esp. *cheese*~ (found in cheese), whence *mít'y*² a. [f. MDu. *míte*, cf. G *meiße* small thing]
Míth'rās, -ra, n. Persian god identified with sun. Hence ~rā'ic a., ~raism, ~raist(2) nn. [L f. Gk (-as) f. OPers. (-a)]
míthrid'at|ize, v.t. Render proof against poison by gradually increasing doses of it. So *míthridát'ic* a., ~ISM n. [f. *Míthridates* VI, king of Pontus, +IZE]
mít'ig'áte, v.t. Appease (anger etc.); alleviate (pain, grief); reduce severity of (punishment); moderate (heat, cold, severity, etc.). So ~A'TION n., ~A'TORY a. [f. L *mitigare* (*mitis* mild), see -ATE²]
mítō's, n. (biol.; pl. -oses pr. -ōs'ēz). Process of division of a cell into minute

threads. Hence *mitôt'io* a. [f. Gk *mítos* thread + *-osm*]

mitrailleuse' (-trahyérz, & see Ap.), n. Many-barrelled breech-loading machine gun discharging small missiles simultaneously or in rapid succession. [F, fem. agent-n. f. *mitrailer* (*mitraille* small missiles, OF small money, f. *mille* MRR)]

mit'ral, a. & n. Of, like, a mitre; ~ (valve), a valve of the heart. [F (as foll., see -AL)]

mit're¹ (-ter), n. Bishop's tall cap, deeply cleft at top, esp. as symbol of episcopal office, whence *mit'réd*² (-terd) a.; [perh. different wd] joint of two pieces of wood etc. at angle of 90°, such that line of junction bisects this angle; angle of 45°; ~-block, -board, -box, guide for saw in cutting ~-joints; ~-wheels, pair of bevelled cog-wheels with teeth set at 45° & axes at right angles. [F, f. L f. Gk *mitra* girdle, turban]

mit're² (-ter), v.t. Bestow mitre on; join with mitre; shape off (end of wood etc.) to a mitre; *mitring-machine* (for doing this). [f. prec.]

mitt'en, **mitt**, n. (*Mitten*) kind of glove with thumb but no fingers, for warmth or protection in hedgers' work etc.; (pl., sl.) boxing-gloves; (now usu. *mitt*) woman's lace or knitted glove covering forearm & part of hand, but not fingers; *give, get, the mittens*, dismiss (lover), be dismissed, (gen.) be dismissed from office etc. Hence *mitt'ened*² (-nd) a. [f. F *mitaine*, etym. dub.]

mitt'imus, n. Warrant committing person to prison; (colloq.) dismissal from office, as *get one's* ~. [L. = we send]

mix, v.t. & i. Put together (two or more substances or groups, one *with* another) so that the particles or members of each are diffused among those of the others (also of immaterial things); prepare (compound) by ~ing ingredients; (intr.) join, be ~ed, as *oil will not ~ with water*, *they* (persons) *do not ~ well* (get on together); have intercourse *with*; ~ *up*, ~ thoroughly, also, confuse esp. in thought; be ~ed *up*, be involved (*in, with*, shady dealings etc.). Hence ~*er*¹ n.: one who, that which, ~es (esp. apparatus controlling the combination of various sounds in preparation of talking films & in dramatic broadcasting); (orig. U.S., colloq.) *good, bad, ~er*, one who gets on well, badly, with other people (esp. those of a different social class). [back formation f. foll., taken as E p.p.]

mixed (-kst), a. In vbl senses, esp.: of diverse qualities or elements; (of company) not select, containing persons of doubtful status; (colloq.) mentally confused, muddled; for persons of both sexes as ~ *school, bathing*; ~ *MATHEMATICS*. Hence *mix'edness* n. [earlier *mixt* f. F *mixte* f. L *mixtus* p.p. of *miscere* mix]

mix'en, n. (dial.). Dung-hill. [OE (*meox* dung, cf. Fris. *míux*, + *-en*)]

mix'ture, n. Mixing; what is mixed, esp. medicinal preparation; *HEATHER* ~; mechanical mixing of two substances, involving no change in their character, opp. to *chemical combination*; gas or vaporized oil mixed with air, forming explosive charge in internal-combustion engine. [f. L *mixtura* (as MIXED, see -URE)]

Miz'pah, n. ~ *ring*, one inscribed ~ w. ref. to *Gen. XXXI. 49* & given as love-token.

miz(z)'en, n. (naut.). (Also ~-*sail*) lowest fore-&-aft sail (rarely set, SPANKEE being usual) of full-rigged ship's ~-*mast* (aftermost mast of three-masted ship); ~ *yard* (on which ~ is extended). [f. F *misaine* perh. f. It. *mezzana* ~-sail, fem. adj., see MEZZANINE]

miz'zle¹, v. impers., & n. Drizzle. Hence *miz'zly² a. [cogn. w. Du. dial. *miezelen* & LG *misig* drizzly]*

miz'zle², v.i. (sl.). Go, decamp. [?]

mnēmōn'ic (-), a. & n. 1. Of, designed to aid, the memory. 2. n. pl. Art of, system for, improving memory. Hence *mnēm'o-nist* (-) n. [f. Gk *mnēmōnikos* (*mnēmōn* mindful f. *mna*-remember, see -IO)]

mnēmotech'n [y] (n., -tēk-), n. = prec. (n. pl.). Hence ~*io* a. [f. Gk *mnēmē* memory + *tekhnē* art]

mō, abbr. (vulg. & joc.) for *moment* (esp. wait, in, half a mo).

mō'a, n. = DINORNIS. [Maori]

moan¹, n. Long low murmur of physical or mental suffering; (arch.) *make* (one's) ~, complain. Hence ~*er*² vul a. [cogn. w. OE *mēnan*, obs. *mean*, vb, replaced by foll.]

moan², v.i. & t. Make moan(s); utter (specified words) with moans; lament (misfortune etc.); lament for (dead person etc.). [f. prec.]

moat, n., & v.t. Deep wide ditch surrounding town, castle, etc., usu. filled with water; (v.t.) surround (as) with ~. [(vb f. n.) ME & OF *mote* mound prob. of Teut. orig.]

mōb¹, n. The lower orders; rabble, tumultuous crowd; promiscuous assemblage of persons; ~ *law* (imposed, enforced, by ~); *swell* ~, class of stylishly dressed pickpockets. Hence ~*b'ism*² a., ~*bc'racy* n. [earlier *mobile vulgus*, L, = excitable crowd (MOBILE)]

mōb², v.t. & i. (-bb-). (Of mob) attack, molest; assemble in a mob. [f. prec.]

mōb'cāp, n. Woman's indoor cap covering whole head, worn in 18th & early 19th cc. [f. obs. *mob* in same sense, cf. Du. *mop* woman's coif, *mopmuts* woman's nightcap]

mōb'ile, a. Movable, not fixed, free to move; (of person or mind) easily, too easily, changing; (of troops) that may be easily moved from place to place. So

- mobili'ity** *n.* [*F*, *f. L mobilis* (*movere* move, see -BLE)]
- mōb'iliz'e**, *v.t.* Render movable, bring into circulation; prepare (forces) for active service (also quasi-pass. of forces). So ~ABLE *a.*, ~A'TION *n.* [*f. F mobiliser*, as prec.]
- mōb'asin**, *n.* Foot-gear of deerskin etc. worn by N.-Amer. Indians, trappers, etc. [*f. native mockasin*]
- mō'cha'(-k-)**, *n.* Kind of chalcedony. [†]
- mō'cha'(-k-)**, *n.* [Also *M~ coffee*] fine quality of coffee, orig. from *M~*, Arabian port at entrance of Red Sea.
- mōck'**, *n.* (arch.). Derision; thing deserving scorn; imitation, counterfeit. [*f. MOCK'*]
- mōck'**, *a.* (not pred.). Sham; ~ *sun*, moon, = PARHELION, PARASELENE; ~ *duck*, goose, pork with duck stuffing; ~ *turtle soup* (usu. of calf's head, to imitate turtle); ~ *heroic a.* & *n.*, burlesquely imitating, burlesque imitation of, heroic style. [prec. & foll.]
- mōck'**, *v.t. & i.* Hold up to ridicule; defy contemptuously; impose upon; ridicule by imitation; mimic, counterfeit; scoff at; ~ *ing-bird*, American song-bird that mimics notes of other birds, other birds that do this; ~ *up n.*, special model showing appearance of (part of) proposed machine. Hence ~ *ingly* *adv.* [*f. OF mocquer*, etym. dub.]
- mōck'ery**, *n.* Derision; subject, occasion, of this; counterfeit representation (*of*); ludicrously or insultingly futile action etc. [*f. F moquerie* (as prec., see -ERY)]
- mōd'al**, *a.* Of mode or form as opp. to substance; ~ *legacy* (with directions as to mode in which it is to be applied) (Gram.) of the mood of a verb, (*of* particle) denoting manner; (Logic) *proposition*, one in which predicate is affirmed of subject under some qualification, (also) one that involves affirmation of possibility, impossibility, necessity, or contingency. Hence or cogn. **mōdāl'ity** *n.* (esp. in pl. = method laid down for discharge of obligation etc.), ~ *ly* *adv.* [*f. med. L modalis* (as foll., see -AL)]
- mōde**, *n.* 1. Way, manner, in which thing is done; prevailing fashion or custom (arch.) *the ~*, the fashion in dress etc. 2. (Mus.) ancient Greek scale system, DORIAN, LYDIAN, PHRYGIAN, ~; used similarly in mediæval music; in modern music, each of the two chief scale systems (MAJOR, MINOR, ~). 3. (Logic) character of modal proposition. [partly *F*] *f. L modus* measure, manner]
- mōd'el**, *n.* Representation in three dimensions of proposed structure etc.; ~ *working* ~ (imitating movements of machine it represents); figure in clay, wax, etc., to be reproduced in other material; design, style of structure; person, thing, proposed for imitation; person who poses for artists; woman in draper's shop wearing clothes etc. to show their effect to customers; *The New M~*, plan for reorganization of Parliamentary army 1644-5; (attrib.) exemplary, ideally perfect. [*f. OF modello* *f. It. modello* dim. of *modo* (as *MODE*)]
- mōd'el**, *v.t.* (-ll-). Fashion, shape, (figure) in clay, wax, etc.; give shape to (document, argument, etc.); form (thing) after, on, upon, a model. [*f. prec.*]
- mōd'ena**, *n.* Deep purple. [*M~*, Italian city]
- mōderat'e**, *a. & n.* 1. Avoiding extremes, temperate in conduct or expression; fairly large or good; ~ *prices*, low (in advertisements etc., as *prices strictly ~e*). 2. *n.* One who holds ~e opinions in politics etc., whence ~ *ism n.* Hence ~ *ely* *adv.*, ~ *eness n.* [*f. L moderari* *f. st. modes-* (cf. MODEST) cogn. *w. modus* *MODE*, -ATE¹]
- mōd'erāte**, *v.t. & i.* Render less violent, intense, vigorous, etc.; (of fury, storm, etc.) become less vehement; act as moderator. [as prec., see -ATE¹]
- mōd'erā'tion**, *n.* Moderating; moderate-ness; ~ *in ~*, in a moderate manner or degree; ~ (Oxf. Univ., pl.) first public examination for degree of B.A. (abbr. *mōds*). [*f. F moderation* *f. L moderationem* (as MODERATE¹, see -ATION)]
- mōd'erātor**, *n.* Arbitrator; mediator; presiding officer; ~ one of two officers presiding over mathematical tripos at Cambridge; ~ examiner for moderations; Presbyterian minister presiding over any ecclesiastical body; ~ *lamp* (with contrivance for regulating flow of oil). Hence ~ *ship n.* [*f. F modérateur* *f. L modulator* (as prec., see -OR²)]
- mōd'ern**, *a. & n.* 1. Of the present & recent times; ~ *school*, *side*, in schools, division in which subjects other than ancient languages are taught; new-fashioned, not antiquated. 2. *n.* Person living in ~ times. Hence or cogn. **mōd'ern'ity**, ~ *ness*, ~ *iza'tion*, *nn.*, ~ *ize* (3) *v.t. & i.*, ~ *ly* *adv.* [*f. LL modernus* (*modo* just now)]
- mōd'ern'ism**, *n.* Modern view(s) or method(s), esp. tendency in matters of religious belief to subordinate tradition to harmony with modern thought; so ~ *ist* (2) *n.*; modern term or expression. [-ISM]
- mōd'est**, *a.* Having a humble estimate of one's own merits; retiring, bashful; (of women) decorous in manner & conduct, scrupulously chaste; (of demands, statements, etc.) not excessive; (of things) unpretentious in appearance, amount, etc. Hence or cogn. ~ *ly* *adv.*, ~ *ly* *n.* (~ *y* or ~ *y* *vest*, lace slip worn above point of corseage). [*f. F modeste* *f. L modestus* (see MODERATE¹)]
- mōd'icum**, *n.* Small quantity (of food

etc.). [*L.* neut. of *modicus* moderate (*modus* measure)]

mōd'ifī, v.t. Make less severe or decided, tone down; make partial changes in; (Gram.) qualify sense of (word etc.); change (vowel) by umlaut. Hence or cogn. ~*fiabl'ity*, ~*ficat'ion*, nn., ~*fiablē*, ~*ficatōry*, aa. [*F* *modifier* f. *L* *modificare* (as *MODE*, see -*RY*)]

modill'ion (-yon), n. (archit.). Projecting bracket under corona of cornice in Corinthian & other orders. [*f. It. modiglione*, etym. dub.]

mōd'ish, a. Fashionable. Hence ~*ly*³ adv., ~*ness* n. [*f. MODE* + -*ISH*¹]

mōdiste' (-est), n. Milliner, dressmaker. [*F* (as *MODE*, see -*IST*)]

mōd'ül'äte, v.t. & i. Regulate, adjust; vary (thing) conformably to; adjust or vary tone or pitch of (speaking voice); (Mus.) pass (from one key to another). So ~*at'ion* n., ~*ätör*³ n., chart used in tonic solfa system for exercise in sight-singing. [*f. L modulari* measure, adjust, (as foll.), see -*ATE*³]

mōd'üle, n. Standard, unit, for measuring; (Archit.) unit of length for expressing proportions, usu. semidiameter of column at base. [*F*, as foll.]

mōd'ulus, n. (pl. -*ü*). Constant multiplier esp. for converting Napierian into common logarithms; constant indicating relation between amount of physical effect & that of force producing it. [*L.*=measure. dim. of foll.]

mōd'us, n. ~ *öperän'di*, way a person goes to work, way a thing operates; *vivän'di*, mode of living, i.e. arrangement between disputants pending settlement of debate; money payment in lieu of tithe (orig. ~ *decimän'di*). [*L.*=*MODE*]

mofette', n. (Fissure in earth from which issues) exhalation of mephitic gas. [*F*]

mofäss'ü, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Rural localities as opp. to chief station. [*f. Hind. mufacçil* f. Arab. *mufacçal* p.p. of *faccal* divide]

Mogül, n. & a. Mongolian; the (*Great o Grand*) ~, emperor of Delhi. [*f. Pers. muğul* f. *MONGOL*]

mō'hair, n. (Fine camlet, yarn, from) hair of Angora goat. [*ult. f. Arab. mukhayyar*, lit.=choice, select, (*khayyara* choose)]

Mohämm'édan, n. & a. (Follower) Mohammed, founder of the Moslem ligion. Hence ~*ism*(3) n., ~*izm*(3) v. [*Mohammed* f. Arab. *Muhammad* + -*AN*]

Moha'r'ram (-hür), Mu.-n. First month of Mohammedan year; great Shiite fast during first ten days of this month. [Arab. (*Mu*),=sacred]

Mō'hawk, n. One of a tribe of N.-Amer. Indians; their language; (Skating) step from either edge in one direction to same edge on other foot in opposite direction (cf. *MOOTAW*). [native]

Mō'höck, n. (hist.). One of a class

aristocratic ruffians infesting London streets at night in 18th c. [*f. prec.*]

mō'hür, n. (Also *gold* ~) gold coin of British India, worth 15 rupees. [*f. Pers. muhr* seal]

moid'er, v.t. (dial.). To perplex, confuse, worry (esp. in p.p.). [?]

moid'öre, n. Former Portuguese gold coin worth, sum of, 27s. [*f. Port. moeda d'ouro* (*moeda* MONEY + *ouro* f. *L aurum* gold)]

oi'ëtý, n. Half, esp. in legal use; loosely one of two parts into which thing is divided. [*f. OF moiti*(*é*) f. *L mediätatem* middle point (as *MEDIUM*, see -*TY*)]

moil, v.i. Drudge, esp. *toil* & ~. [*f. OF moillier* moisten, paddle in mud, f. *L mollis* soft]

moire (mwahr), n. (Also ~ *antique*, see Ap.) watered fabric, usu. silk, orig. mohair. [*F*, perh. f. *MOHAIR*]

moiré (mwah'rä), a. & n. (Of silk) watered; (of metals) having clouded appearance like watered silk; (n.) this appearance. [*F*, p.p. of *moirer* give *moiré* appearance to]

moist, a. Slightly wet, damp; (of season etc.) rainy; (of disease) marked by discharge of matter etc. Hence ~*ness* n. [*f. OF moiste*, etym. dub.]

moisten (-sn), v.t. & i. Make moist; become moist. [-*EN*¹]

mois'ture, n. Water or other liquid diffused in small quantity as vapour, condensed on surface, etc. Hence ~*less* a. [*f. OF moistour* (as *MOIST*, see -*OR*¹)]

möke, n. (sl.). Donkey. [?]

mök'ö, n. Maori system of tattooing. [Maori]

möl'ar¹, a. & n. 1. (Usu. of mammal's back teeth) serving to grind. 2. n. ~ tooth. [*f. L molaris* (*mola* millstone, see -*AR*¹)]

möl'ar², a. Of mass; acting on or by means of large masses. [*f. L moles* mass, see -*AR*¹]

möläss'és (-s), n. pl. (treated as sing.). Uncrystallized syrup drained from raw sugar; syrup got from sugar in process of refining, treacle. [*f. Port. melaco* f. *LL mellaceum* must (*mel* *mellis* honey, see -*ACROUS*)]

möle¹, n. Spot, blemish, on human skin. [*OE mäl*, cf. *OHG mël*]

möle², n. Small burrowing animal with (usu. blackish) velvety fur & very small eyes; other mammals of same family; blind as a ~ (quite); ~*hill*, small mound thrown up by ~ in burrowing (*make mountains out of ~hills*, exaggerate obstacles etc.); ~*skin*, skin of ~ as fur, kind of cotton fustian with surface shaved before dyeing, (pl.) clothes, esp. trousers, of this. [*ME malle*, *molle*, cf. *MDu. mol*]

möle³, n. Massive structure, usu. of stone, as pier, breakwater, or junction between places separated by water; artificial harbour. [*f. F möle* f. *L moles* mass]

molec'ŭlar, a. Of, relating to, consisting of, molecules; ~ *weight* of substance (of one of its molecules relatively to the weight of one atom of hydrogen). Hence ~ITY (-ŏr-) n., ~LY¹ adv. [-AR¹]

möl'écŭle, n. (Physics, Chem.) one of the minute groups of atoms (in some elements, esp. the inert gases, one of the single atoms) of which material substances consist, the smallest portion to which a substance can be reduced by subdivision without losing its chemical identity; (loosely) small particle. [f. F *molécule* dim. of L *moles* mass]

molešt', v.t. (Usu. after neg.) meddle hostilely or injuriously with (person). So **mölēst'a'tion** n. [f. OF *molestier* f. L *molestare* (*molestus* troublesome, perh. cogn. w. *moles* mass)]

Möl'in'ism, n. Doctrine of Luis Molina (d. 1600), that efficacy of grace depends on the will that freely accepts it; doctrine of Miguel de Molinos (d. 1696), quietism. Hence ~IST n. [f. *Molina*, *Molinos*, + -ISM]

möll'ifŷ, v.t. Appease, soften. So ~FICA'TION n. [f. F *mollifier* f. L *mollificare* (*mollis* soft, see -RY)]

möll'usc, n. Animal belonging to the *Mollusca*, sub-kingdom of soft-bodied & usu. hard-shelled animals, including limpets, snails, cuttle-fish, oyster, mussel, etc. Hence **möllüs'CAN**, **möllüs'COUS**, aa., **möllüs'COID** a. & n. [f. L *molluscus* (*mollis* soft)]

möll'y, n. Effeminate man or boy, milk-sop; ~ *coddle*, (n.) milk-sop, (v.t.) coddle, cocker up. [pet form of *Mary*]

Möl'öch (-k), n. Canaanite idol to whom children were sacrificed (often fig.); thorn-lizard, a hideous Australian reptile. [L f. Gk, f. Heb. *molek*]

mölöss'us, n. Metrical foot ---. [Gk *molossos*]

Möl'otöv. Name of Soviet commissar used attrib.; ~ *cocktail* (sl.), anti-tank inflammatory hand-grenade used in 1939-45 war.

möl'ten. See MELT.

möl'tō, adv. Very (preceding mus. direction, as ~ *espressivo*). [It., f. L *multus* much]

möl'y, n. Fabulous herb with white flower & black root, endowed with magic properties; wild garlic & other plants. [L, f. Gk *mōlu*]

möl'yb'denŭm, n. Silvery-white brittle metallic element with which steel is alloyed for making high-speed tools. [f. Gk *molubdaina* f. *molubdos* lead or plumbago]

möm'ent, n. 1. Minute point of time, instant; *one ~, half a ~*, (ellipt.) wait a ~; *come here this ~* (at once); *came the very ~* (as soon as) *I heard of it*; *timed to the ~* (with absolute accuracy); *the ~* (time that affords an opportunity); *am, was, busy at the ~* (just now, then), so men of

(important at) *the ~*. 2. (Mech.) ~ of a force about a point, measure of its power in causing rotation. 3. Importance, as of *great, little, no, ~*, whence **mömén'tous** a., **mömén'tously** adv., **mömén'tous-NESS** n. [f. MOMENTUM]

möm'entarŷ, a. Lasting only a moment; short-lived, transitory. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *momentarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

möm'entlŷ, adv. From moment to moment; every moment; for a moment. [-LY²]

mömén'tum, n. (pl. -ta). (Mech.) quantity of motion of moving body, product of its mass by its velocity; (pop.) impetus gained by movement (lit. & fig.). [L (as MOVE, see -MENT)]

Möm'us, n. Greek god of ridicule; fault-finder. [L, f. Gk *Mōmos*]

mön'ac(h)al (-k-), a. Monastic. So **mön'achism** (-k-) n. [f. eccl. L *monachalis* (MONK, -AL)]

mön'ad, n. The number one, unit; ultimate unit of being (e.g. a soul, an atom, a person, God), esp. in philosophy of Leibnitz, whence ~ISM(3) n.; (Biol.) simple organism assumed as first term in genealogy of living beings; (Chem.) element, radical, with combining power of one atom of hydrogen. Hence **mönäd'io** a. [f. L f. Gk *monas* -ados unit (*monos* alone)]

mönädélph'ous, a. (bot.). (Of stamens) having filaments united into one bundle; (of plants) with ~ stamens. [f. Gk *monas* one + *adelphos*, brother + -OUS]

mönän'drous, a. (bot.). Having a single stamen. [f. Gk *monandros* (*monos* one + *anēr andros* male) + -OUS]

mönän'drŷ, n. Custom of having only one husband at a time. [as prec. + -Y¹]

mön'arch (-k), n. 1. Sovereign with title of king, queen, emperor, empress, or equivalent; supreme ruler (often fig.). 2. Large red & black butterfly. Hence **mönärch'AL**, **mönärch'IC(AL)**, aa., **mönärch'alŷ**, **mönärch'ICALLY**, adv., (-k-). [f. L (-cha) f. Gk *monarkhēs* (*monos* alone + *arkhō* rule)]

mön'archism (-k-), n. Principles of, attachment to, monarchy. So ~IST (-k-) n. [-ISM]

mön'archŷ (-k-), n. (State under) monarchical government; *constitutional, limited*, ~ (subject to constitutional restrictions). [f. F *monarchie* f. L f. Gk *monarkhia* (MONARCH, -Y¹)]

mön'asterŷ, n. Residence of community (usu. of monks) living secluded under religious vows. [f. eccl. L f. late Gk *monastērion* (*monasō* live alone f. *monos*)]

mönäs'tic, a. Of monks or monasteries; (Bookbind.) finished by tooling without gold (also *antique*). Hence ~ICALLY adv., ~ICISM(3) n., ~ICISM² v.t. [f. med. L f. late Gk *monastikos* (as prec., see -ō)]

mondaine (mawh'dān'), n. Woman of the fashionable world; worldly woman. [F]

Mon'day (mūn'dī), n. Second day of week; Black ~ (school sl.), first day of term; || *Sī* ~, ~ as day of little work (w. ref. to saint's-day holidays). [OE *Mōnan dæg* (*mōna* moon + *dæg* DAY)]

Mon'dayish (mūn'dī-), a. (Of clergy) indisposed as result of Sunday work; (of others) slack as result of Sunday holiday. [-ISH¹]

monde (mawnd), n. The fashionable world, society; the set in which one moves. [F]

mōn'dial, a. World-wide. [F, f. LL *mundialis* f. L *mundus* world]

mo'netary (mū-, mō-), a. Of the coinage; of money. [f. L *monetarius* (as MONEY, see -ARY¹)]

mo'nétiz'e (mū-, mō-), v.t. Put (metal) into circulation as money. Hence ~'ATION n. [f. L *moneta* MONEY + -IZE]

mo'ney (mū-, n. (pl. ~s)). 1. Current coin; coin & promissory documents representing it (*paper* ~), esp. government & bank notes; (w. pl.) particular coin; (pl., arch., legal) sums of ~; ~ of ACCOUNT¹; CONSCIENCE ~; property viewed as convertible into ~; coin in reference to its purchasing power, as (prov.) ~ makes the mare to go, time is ~, for LOVE¹ or ~; make ~, acquire wealth, coin ~, do this rapidly; || ~ for jam (sl.), a profitable return for little or no trouble; not every man's ~, not worth its price to every one. 2. ~-bag, bag for ~, (pl.) wealth; ~-bags, wealthy or avaricious person; ~-box, closed box into which savings or contributions are dropped through slit; ~-changer, one whose business it is to change ~ at fixed rate; ~-grubber, person sordidly intent on amassing ~, ~-grubbing a. & n., (given to) this practice; ~-lender, one whose business it is to lend ~ at interest; ~-market, sphere of operation of dealers in stocks etc.; ~ ORDER¹(3); ~-spinner, small spider thought to bring good luck; ~-wort, plant with round glossy leaves; ~'s-worth, anything recognized as equivalent to ~. Hence ~LESS (mūn'lī-) a. [f. OF *monete* f. L *moneta* mint, money, orig. goddess in whose temple at Rome ~ was coined]

moneyed (mūn'īd), a. Rich; consisting of money, as ~ resources, assistance; ~ interest, the class concerned in money as a possession. [-ED¹]

mo'nger (mūng-), n. Dealer, trader, (chiefly in comb., as cheese~, fish~, iron~, coals~, & fig. scandal~ etc.). [OE *mangere* (*mangian* to traffic f. L *mango* dealer)]

Mōng'ol (-ngg-), n. & a. (Member) of Asiatic race now inhabiting Mongolia, between China & Siberia. Hence ~OID a., of Mongolian type (also, n. = MONGOLIAN). [native, perh. f. *mong* brave]

Mōngōl'ian (-ngg-), a. & n. = prec.; (Anthrop.) of the yellow-skinned straight-haired type of mankind; of a class of idiots like ~s. [-IAN]

mōng'ōose, **mūng'ōose**, (-ngg-), n. An ichneumon, common in India, & able to kill venomous snakes unharmed; kind of lemur. [f. native *mangus*]

mo'ngrel (mūngg-), n. & a. 1. Dog of no definable breed; animal, plant, resulting from crossing of different breeds or kinds; person not of pure race. 2. adj. Of mixed origin, nature, or character. Hence ~ISM(2) n., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~LY¹ a. [prob. f. root *mang*, *mong*, mix + -REL]

|| **mōn'ial**, n. Mullion. [OF, etym. dub.] **mōn'il'iform**, a. Suggesting necklace or string of beads. [f. L *monile* necklace, -FORM]

mōn'ism, n. Doctrine that only one being exists; any of the theories that deny the duality of matter & mind. Hence ~IST n., **monis'tio** a. [f. Gk *monos* one, -ISM]

moni'tion, n. Warning (of danger); formal notice from bishop or ecclesiastical court admonishing person to refrain from some offence; (in courts that use civil law process) summons. [f. L *monitio* (*monēre* *monit-* warn, -ION)]

mōn'itor, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Arch.) one who admonishes. 2. Senior pupil in school with duties of keeping order etc., whence **mōn'itō'ial** a., ~SHIP n. 3. Lizard supposed to give warning of approach of crocodiles. 4. Shallow-draught warship of heavy gunpower. 5. One who listens to & reports on foreign broadcasts, misuse of official telephones, etc. 6. vb. Act as ~ (sense 5), act as ~ of. Hence **mōn'itress**¹ n. [L (as prec., -OR²)]

mōn'itōry, a. & n. 1. Warning, admonitory. 2. n. Bishop's or pope's letter of admonition. [f. L *monitorius* (as prec., see -ORY)]

monk (mū-), n. Member of community of men living apart under vows of poverty, chastity, & obedience; ~'s-hood, kinds of plant. Hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn. [OE *munuc* f. pop. L *monicus* = L f. Gk *monakhos* solitary (*monos* alone)]

monk'ery (mū-), n. Monastic life; monastery; monks; monkish practices. So ~DOM n. [-ERY]

mo'nkey (mū-), n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. & i. 1. Mammal of a group closely allied to & resembling man, ranging from anthropoid apes to marmosets; (as term of playful contempt, to or of person) young ~ etc. 2. Machine hammer for pile-driving etc.; globular earthenware water-vessel with straight upright neck. 3. (sl.). || *Put his ~ up*, enrage him; *get one's ~ up*, become angry. 4. || 2500 (sl.). 5. ~-bread, fruit of baobab tree; ~-cup, pitcher-plant; ~-jacket, short close-fitting one worn by sailors etc.; || ~-nut, peanut; ~-puzzle, puzzle~, Chile pine, prickly tree of genus

Araucaria; ~wrench, one with movable jaw. 6. v.t. Mimic, mock; (v.i.) play mischievous tricks (with), fool about. Hence ~ish' a., ~ishness n., (müng'k'f.). [?]

monk'ish (mü-), a. Of monks, monastic; characteristic of monks (usu. in bad sense). [-ish']

mön'ö- in comb. (before vowels *mon-*) = Gk *monos* alone, sole, single; as: (1) ~bás'ic (Chem.), having one base or atom of a base; ~cárp'ic, ~cárp'ous, bearing fruit only once; ~céph'alous (Bot.), having only one head; ~clín'al, (of strata) dipping in one & the same direction; ~cótýléd'ón(ous), (plant with) single cotyledon; *monócracy*, government by single person; *monóclár*, with, adapted to, one eye; ~cýcle, velocipede with one wheel; ~dác'týlous, having one finger, toe, or claw; ~drama, piece for one performer; *monócióus* (-néhus), (Bot.) with male & female organs on same plant, (Zool.) hermaphrodite; ~gé'n'esís, development of all beings from single cell, so ~gé'nét'ic a.; *monógeny*, descent of mankind from one pair of ancestors; ~gló't a. & n., (one) who uses only one language; *monógýnóus*, with only one pistil or stigma; *monógýny*, usage of mating with only one female; ~idé'ism, concentration on single idea, esp. as form of monomania; *monóá'try*, worship of one god without denying that others may exist; ~mán'ia, insanity on one subject only, so ~mán'iác n., ~mán'íacal a.; ~mer, one of the units forming a polymer molecule, (also) a compound which can undergo polymerization; ~mét'allísm, standard of currency based on one metal, so ~métáll'ic a.; ~morph'ic, ~morph'ous, not changing form during development; ~pét'alóus, having corolla in one piece, or petals united into tube; ~phít'óng, single vowel sound; ~pláne, aeroplane with one plane; ~psý'chísm (-sík-), theory that all souls are one; ~ráil, railway of one rail; ~rhyme, poem in which all lines have same rhyme; ~sperm'ous (Bot.), having one seed; *monósthíous* (-k-) (Bot., Zool.), arranged in, consisting of, one layer or row; ~stroph'ic, consisting of repetitions of one strophic arrangement; ~tínt, representation, picture, in only one colour; ~tréme, member of lowest order of mammals with one vent for urinary, genital, & digestive organs; ~type, composing-machine that casts & sets up single types; ~týp'ic, represented by only one type. (2) chem. wds denoting presence of a single atom or combining equivalent, as ~bróm'ide, ~carb'ón, ~chlor'ide, ~món'íde.

món'ochórd (-k-), n. Instrument for determination of musical intervals. [f. F *monocorde* f. Gk *monochordon* f. *khórd* chord]

mónochromát'ic (-k-), a. (Of light) presenting one colour only; executed in monochrome. [MONO- + CHROMATIC]

món'ochróme (-k-), n. & a. 1. Painting executed in different tints of one colour; representation in one colour. 2. adj. Having only one colour. [ult. f. Gk *monochromatos* f. *khróma* colour]

món'ocle, n. Single eye-glass. [F, f. LL *monoculus* one-eyed being (MONO- + *oculus* eye)]

món'odý, n. Ode sung by single actor in Greek tragedy; poem in which mourner bewails someone's death. Hence or cogn.

monód'io a., ~íst n. [f. L f. Gk *monodia* f. *monódios* singing alone (MONO- + *bid-*, *acid-*, f. *acidō* sing)]

monóg'amíý, n. Practice, circumstance, of being married to one at a time; (rare) practice of marrying only once; (Zool.) habit of having only one mate. Hence or cogn. ~íst n., ~óus a. [f. F *monogamie* f. L f. Gk *monogamia* f. *gamos* marriage]

món'ógrám, n. Two or more letters, esp. person's initials, interwoven. So **mónógrammát'io** a. [f. LL *monogramma* f. late Gk *monogrammon*, neut. adj. as -GRAM]

món'ógraph (-ahf), n., & v.t. Separate treatise on single object or class of objects; (v.t.) write a ~ on. Hence **monóg'raph-ér**, **monóg'raphist**, nn., **monógráph'ic** a., **monógráph'ically** adv. [MONO- + -GRAPH]

món'ólith, n. Single block of stone, esp. shaped into pillar or monument. Hence **mónólith'ic** a. [f. L f. Gk *monolithos* stone]

món'ologue (-óg), n. Scene in drama in which one person speaks by himself; dramatic composition for single performer; long speech by one person in a company; soliloquy. Hence **mónóló'gícal** a., **mónó'logíst**, **món'ológuíst** (-gíst), nn., **mónó'logíze** (2) v.i. [F, = one who loves to hear himself talk, f. Gk *monologos* -LOGUE]

món'ómárk, n. Combination of letters and/or figures registered as identification mark for goods, articles, addresses, etc. [MONO-]

monóm'íal, n. & a. (alg.). (Expression) consisting of one term. [MONO-, on *binomial*]

Monóph'yaíte, n. One who holds there is only one nature in the person of Christ. [f. eccl. L (-ia) f. eccl. Gk *monophysis* f. *physis* nature, see -TIS']

monóp'olíst, n. One who favours monopoly; one who assumes monopoly (of). [-íst]

monóp'olíz (e), v.t. Obtain exclusive possession or control of (trade, commodity, the conversation, person's attention, etc.). Hence ~'á'trón n. [f. foll. + -TIS']

monóp'olý, n. Exclusive possession of the trade in some commodity; this con-

ferred as privilege by State; exclusive possession, control, or exercise (of); thing that is monopolized. [f. LL f. Gk MONO- (*pólon* f. *póleō* sell)]

mónopól'ylogue (-óg), n. Entertainment in which sole performer plays many parts. [MONO- + POLY- + LOGUE]

mónosýll'able, n. Word of one syllable; speak in ~ables, answer little but Yes or No, with intentional cuttness. Hence or cogn. ~áb'ic a., ~áb'ically adv., ~abism(2) n., ~abizm(3) v.t. [f. LL MONO(*syllabus* SYLLABLE)]

món'othéism, n. Doctrine that there is only one God. Hence ~ist n., ~is'tic a. [f. MONO- + Gk *theos* god + ISM]

món'otōne, a. & n., & v.t. 1. (Utterance of successive syllables) without change of pitch, whence *mónotōn'ic* a. (mus.); sameness of style in writing. 2. v.t. Recite, speak, sing, in unvaried tone. [vb f. n.] f. late Gk MONO(*tonos* TONE)]

monót'onious, a. (Of sound or utterance) without variation in tone or cadence; lacking in variety, wearisome through sameness. Hence or cogn. ~izm(3) v.t., ~ously² adv., ~ousness, ~y¹, nn. [as prec. + OUS]

Monróe'ism (-ôí-), n. Monroe DOCTRINE. So ~ist n. [-ISM]

monseigneur (see Ap.), n. (pl. *nosseigneurs* pr. *nosányér'*). French title given to eminent persons, esp. princes, cardinals, archbishops, & bishops. [F]

monsieur (*musyér'*, & see Ap.), n. (pl. *mesieurs* pr. *mésyér'*). French equivalent of MR, but also used by itself as substitute for name, as *did M~ ring?*; Frenchman; (Hist.) title of second son or next younger brother of French king. [F]

monsignor(e) (*mónsányér'*, -i; pl. -orí), n. Title of prelates, officers of Papal court, & others. [It., after MONSEIGNEUR]

monsōōn', n. Wind in S. Asia, esp. in Indian Ocean, blowing from SW. in summer (*wet* ~) & NE. in winter (*dry* ~); rainy season; other winds with periodic alternations. [f. Du. *monsoen* f. Port. *monção* perh. f. Arab. *mausim*, lit. season, (*wasama* mark)]

món'ster, n. & a. 1. Mis-shapen animal or plant, abortion; imaginary animal compounded of incongruous elements, e.g. centaur, sphinx, griffin; inhumanly wicked person, inhuman example of (cruelty etc.); animal, thing, of huge size. 2. adj. Huge. [f. OF *monstre* f. L *monstrum* portent, monster (*monēre* warn)]

món'strance, n. (R.-O. Ch.). Open or transparent vessel of gold or silver in which the host is exposed. [OF, f. med. L *monstrantia* (*monstrare* show, see -ANCE)]

món'strous'ity, n. Monstrousness; abortion, imaginary monster, outrageous thing. [f. LL *monstruositas* (as foll., see -ITY)]

món'strous, a. & adv. 1. Abnormally

formed, of the nature of a monster; huge; outrageously wrong or absurd; atrocious.

2. adv. (arch.). Extremely, as ~ good friends. Hence ~ly¹ adv., ~ness n. [f. OF *monstreux* f. LL *monstruosus* (MONSTER, -OUS)]

món'tage (-ahzh), n. (cinemat.). Selection, cutting, & piecing together as a consecutive whole of the separate shots taken in the making of a film. [F, f. *monter* to mount]

món'tāne, a. Of, inhabiting, mountainous country. [f. L *montanus* (as MOUNT, see -ANE)]

móntbré'tia (-sha), n. Iridaceous plant with bright orange-coloured flowers. [after A. F. E. C. de *Montbrét*, French botanist (d. 1801)]

món'té, n. Spanish game of chance, played with 45 cards; *three-card* ~, game of Mexican origin. [Sp., = mountain, heap of cards]

Móntēnēg'rín, n. & a. (Inhabitant) of Montenegro (now in Yugoslavia). [-INZ¹] **Montessorí'sys'tēm**, n. Method of educating very young children, both normal & defective, initiated by Dr Maria Montessori of Rome (by direction of natural activities rather than strict control).

month (mũ-), n. Any of the twelve portions into which the year is divided (also *calendar* ~); *lunar* ~, period in which moon makes complete revolution; space of time from a day in one ~ to corresponding day in next; space of 28 days; ~ of *Sundays*, indefinite period; *this day* ~, a ~ from today; ~'s *mind*, mass etc. in commemoration of deceased person a ~ after death, || (also) inclination, liking. [com.-Teut.: OE *mōnadh*, Du. *maand*, G *monat*, cogn. w. MOON]

mo'nthly (mũn-), a. & n. 1. Done, recurring, payable, etc., once a month; ~ nurse (attending woman during first month after childbirth); ~ rose, China rose, supposed to flower monthly. 2. n. Magazine etc. published each month; (pl.) menses. So **mo'nthly**¹ (mũn-) adv. [-LY¹]

món'ticūle, n. Small hill; small mound caused by volcanic eruption; minute eminence on surface of animal etc. [F, f. LL *monticulus* (*mons* MOUNT, see -OULE)]

món'ument, n. Written record; anything that serves to commemorate, esp. structure, building; || *the M~*, column in London commemorating fire of London in 1666; stone or other structure placed over grave or in church etc. in memory of the dead. [f. L *monumentum* (*monēre* remind, see -MENT)]

mónūmēn'tal, a. Of, serving as, a monument; ~ mason, tombstone maker; (of literary works) massive & permanent; stupendous, as ~ ignorance. Hence ~ly² adv. [f. LL *monumentalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

mōnūmēn'talīze, v.t. Record, commemorate, as by monument. [prec. + -IZE]

-mony, suf. = L *-monia*, *-monium*, which formed nn. f. aa. (*acrimonía*), nn. (*patri-monium*), & vbs (*alimontium*), adopted in E thr. F or direct; in E the -a & -um forms are alike; in F -um gave *moine*, -a *monie*, (*pátrimoine*, *parcimonie*).

mōo, v.i., & n. (Of cow or ox) low, make the sound *moo*; (n.) this sound. [imit.]

mōoch, **mouch** (mōo-), v.i. & t. (sl.). Loiter about, slouch along; (trans.) steal. [perh. f. OF *muchier* hide, skulk]

mōod¹, n. State of mind or feeling; in the ~, in no ~, inclined, disinclined, (for thing, to do). [com.-Teut.: OE *mōd*, Du. *mood*, G *mut*]

mōod², n. (Gram.) any of the groups of forms in conjugation of verb that serve to indicate its function, as *indicative*, *imperative*, *subjunctive*, ~; (Mus.) = **MODE**; (Log.) any of the classes into which each of the figures of valid categorical syllogism is subdivided. [var. of **MODE**, by assoc. w. prec.]

mōod³, y, a. Gloomy, sullen. Hence ~ly³ adv., ~iness n. [OE *mōdig* (see **moon**¹ & -y³)]

moollah. See **MULLAH**.

mōol'vī(e), **mou-**, n. Mohammedan doctor of the law; learned person, teacher (esp. as term of respect among Indian Moslems). [Hind. *mulvi* f. Arab. *maula-wīyy* = judicial]

mōon¹, n. 1. Satellite of the earth, revolving round it monthly, & deriving light from sun & reflecting it to earth; this in particular month, regarded as a distinct object from that visible in other months, as *age of the ~*, *new ~* (at beginning of revolution), *full ~* (with disk entirely illuminated); HARVEST, HUNTER's, ~; (poet.) month (*where summer is but three ~s long*); once in a **BLUE**¹ ~; *old ~ in new ~'s arms*, ~ during first quarter, when dark part of orb is made faintly luminous by earth-light. 2. ~beam, ray of ~light; ~calf, born fool; ~flower, ox-eye daisy; ~light, light of ~ (often attrib.); ~light fitting, removal of household goods by night to avoid paying rent; ~lighter, one who in Ireland perpetrated outrages by night on tenants who incurred hostility of Land League; ~lit, lit up by ~; ~shine, visionary talk or ideas, (also) smuggled spirits; ~shiner (sl.), illicit distiller, spirit-smuggler; ~shiny, lighted by ~, (also) visionary; ~stone, feldspar of pearly appearance; ~struck, deranged in mind. Hence ~LESS a. [com.-Teut.: OE *mōna*, Du. *maan*, G *mond*, cogn. w. L *mensis*, Gk *mēn*, month]

mōon², v.i. & t. Move, look, listlessly (*about*, *around*, etc.); pass away (time) in listless manner. [f. prec.]

mōon'shee, n. Native secretary or lan-

guage-teacher in India. [f. Hind. *munaht* f. Arab. *munahit* (*anasha'a* compose)]

mōon'y, a. Of, like, the moon; listless, stupidly dreamy. [MOON¹ + -y³]

moor¹, n. Tract of open waste ground, esp. if covered with heather; (in Cornwall) waste land where tin is found; ~game, red (rarely, black) grouse; ~cock, male of this; ~hen, female of this, (also) water-hen; ~land, country abounding in heather; ~stone, kind of granite. Hence ~ish¹ a., ~y², aa. [OE *mōr*, cf. Du. *moer*, G *moor*]

Moor², n. One of a Mohammedan race, mixed Berber & Arab, inhabiting NW. Africa. Hence ~ish² a. [f. F *Mors* f. L f. Gk *Mauros* inhabitant of Mauretania, region of N. Africa]

moor³, v.t. Attach (boat or other floating thing) to moorings; ~ing-mast¹. Hence ~AGE(3, 4) n. [OE has *mōre* mooring-rope (cf. MDu. *mōren* moor)]

moor'ing, n. (Usu. pl.) permanent anchors & chains laid down for ships to be moored to, what a floating object is moored to; (pl.) place where vessel is moored. [-ING²]

mōose, n. N.-Amer. animal closely allied to or same as European elk. [f. native *moos*]

mōot, n., a., & v.t. 1. (Hist.) assembly; (Law) students' discussion of hypothetical case for practice. 2. adj. Debatable; 3. v.t. Raise (question) for discussion; [(vb f. OE *mōtian*, adj. f. n.) OE (*gymdōt*, cf. Du. *gemoot*, cogn. w. MEET v.)]

mōp¹, n. Bundle of coarse yarn or cloth fastened at end of stick, for cleaning floors etc.; similar instruments for various purposes; ~head, (fig.) thick head of hair like ~, person with this. Hence ~p'y³ a. [15th c. *mappe* ult. f. L *mappa* napkin]

mōp², v.t. (-pp-). Wipe, clean, (as) with mop; wipe tears, sweat, etc., from (brow etc.); (sl.) ~the floor with, have & use overwhelming advantage of (combatant); ~up, wipe up (as) with mop, (sl.) absorb (profits etc.), dispatch, make an end of, (Mil.) complete the occupation of (district etc.) by capturing or killing troops left there, capture or kill (stragglers). [f. prec.]

mōp³, v.i. (-pp-), & n. ~ & *mow*, make grimaces; ~s & *mows*, grimaces. [perh. imit.; cf. Du. *moppen* pout]

|| **mōp**⁴, n. A fair or gathering in the autumn at which farm hands & servants were hired. [etym. dub.]

mōpe, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Abandon oneself to listless condition; (refl. or pass.) make oneself, be, the victim of ennui. 2. n. One who ~s; the ~s, depression of spirits. Hence **mōp'ish**¹ a., **mōp'ishly**² adv., **mōp'ishness** n. [f.]

mō'pōke, **more'pōrk** (mō'p-), n. In New Zealand, an owl; in Tasmania, night-jar; in Australia, various birds. [imit. of bird's note]

moquette' (-kët), n. Material of wool & hemp or linen, used for carpets & upholstery. [F, etym. dub.]

mō'ra, -rra, n. Italian game in which player guesses number of fingers held up simultaneously by another. [It. *mora*, etym. dub.]

moraine', n. Debris carried down & deposited by glacier. [F]

mō'ral, a. & n. 1. Concerned with character or disposition, or with the distinction between right & wrong; ~ *sense*, power of distinguishing right & wrong; (of literary work etc.) dealing with regulation of conduct, as ~ *science*; ~ *philosophy*, ethics; ~ *law*, the requirements to which right action must conform; (of rights etc.) founded on ~ *law*; capable of ~ *action*; ~ *victory*, defeat, indecisive result, that eventually produces the ~ effects of victory; ~ *courage*, courage to encounter odium, contempt, etc., rather than abandon right course; ~ly good, conforming to rules of morality; virtuous as regards general conduct; ~ *certainty*, probability so great as to admit of no reasonable doubt. 2. n. The ~ teaching of a fable, story, event, etc. (*draw the ~*, show what it is); ~ *maxim* or principle (*point a ~*, illustrate or apply it); (vulg.) *the very* ~ (exact likeness) of; (pl.) ~ *habits*, esp. sexual conduct; = foll. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L. *moralis* (mos custom, pl. *mores* morals, -al)]

morale' (-ahl), n. Moral condition, esp. (of troops) as regards discipline & confidence. [f. F *moral* respect to preserve pronunciation, cf. LOCAL(E), MORAL(S), DIPLOMA²]

mō'ralism, n. Natural system of morality, religion reduced to moral practice. [-ISM]

mō'ralist, n. One who practises or teaches morality; man who is merely moral. Hence ~is^{TR} a. [MORAL + -IST]

mō'ral'itē, n. Moral science; (pl.) moral principles, points of ethics; particular system of morals, as *commercial* ~; moral conduct (esp. good); moralizing; (Hist.) kind of drama inculcating moral lesson, popular in 16th c. [f. F *moralité* f. L. *moralitatem* (MORAL, -TY)]

mō'ralizē, v. i. & t. Indulge in moral reflection or talk (on subject); interpret morally, point the moral of; improve the morals of. So ~ATION n. [f. F *moraliser* f. LL *moralizare* (as MORAL, see -IZE)]

morā's, n. (literary). Bog, marsh. [f. Du. *moeras* f. MDu. *marasch* f. OF as MARKSH] **mō'āt**, n. (hist.). Drink made of honey flavoured with mulberries. [f. med. L. *moratum* (morus mulberry, see -ATE¹)]

mō'rator'ium, n. Legal authorization to debtors to postpone payment. (nent. of LL *moratorium* [L. *morari* delay, -TOY])

Mō'ravian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Moravia; (one) of Protestant sect holding

Hussite doctrines, founded in Saxony by ~ emigrants. [f. *Moravia*, now part of Czechoslovakia, -AN]

mōrb'id, a. (Of mind, ideas, etc.) unwholesome, sickly; given to ~ feelings; (Med.) of the nature, or indicative, of disease; ~ *anatomy* (of diseased organs etc.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *morbidus* (morbus disease f. root of *mori* die)]

mōrbide'ssa (-ōtsa), n. (painting). Life-like delicacy in flesh-tints. [It. (*morbidio* soft)]

mōrbid'itē, n. Morbidity; prevalence of disease (in a district). [-ITY]

mōrbif'ic, a. Causing disease. [f. F *morbigue* (L. *morbus* disease, see -IC)]

mōrceau' (-sō), n. Short literary or musical composition. [F (as MORSEL)]

mōrd'ant, a. & n. 1. (Of sarcasm etc.) caustic, biting, as ~A¹CIOUS (-āshus) a., ~A¹CITY, ~ANCY, nn.; pungent, smarting. 2. (Of acids) corrosive or cleansing (n., such acid). 3. (Substance) serving to fix colouring-matter or gold-leaf. [F, part. of *mordre* bite f. L. *mordere*]

mōrd'ent, n. (mus.). Grace consisting in rapid alternation of written note with one immediately below it. [G, f. It. *mordente* part. of *mordere* bite, as prec.]

mō're, a. & adv. 1. Existing in greater quantity, amount, or degree, as *there is ~ truth in it than you think, 10 is 2 ~ than 8, bring some ~ water*; (abs.) greater quantity, as ~ *is meant than meets the ear, hope to see ~ of you; what is ~ (~ important); ~ than one person has (not have) found it so*. 2. adv. In greater degree, as *you must attend ~ to details, ~ in sorrow than in anger, ~ frightened than hurt*; (forming compar. of most adj. of more than one syllable & most adv.) ~ *absurd(ly), ~ curious, ~ easily, ~ truly; ~ & ~*, in an increasing degree; ~ *or less*, in greater or less degree, or thereabouts; *THE ~; be no ~, be dead; again, as once, twice, never, ~; neither ~ nor less than (simply, literally) absurd* etc. [com.-Tent. adj.: OE *mira*, MDu. *mēre*, f. OTent. *maison* f. *mais* adv. whence obs. *mo more* (OE *md*) adv.]

moreen', n. Stout woollen or woollen & cotton material for curtains etc. [?]

mōrēl', a. Kinds of nightshade. [f. OF *morele* prob. fem. f. It. *morello* dark-coloured perh. f. L. *morum* mulberry] **mōrēl'**, n. An edible fungus. [f. F *morille*, etym. dub.]

mōrēl'ō, n. Bitter kind of cherry. [?]

moreov'er (mō'v-), adv. Further, besides, (introducing new statement). [MORE + OVER]

morepork. See MOPORK.

Mōrēsque' (-k), a. Moorish in style or design. [F, f. It. *morecco* (Moro Moor, see -ESQUE)]

mōrganā'tic, a. ~ *to marriage*, one between man of exalted rank & woman of

lower rank, who remains in her former station, the issue having no claim to succeed to possessions or title of father; ~*ic* wife (so married). Hence ~*ICALLY* adv. [f. med. L phr. *matrimonium ad morganicam*, prob. f. *morganaticum* f. OHG **morgangeba* morning gift from husband to wife the morning after consummation of marriage (the ~*ic* wife's only claim on husband's possessions)]

morgue¹ (-g), n. Building (esp. one formerly in Paris) in which bodies of persons found dead are exposed for identification. [F]

morgue² (-g), n. Haughty demeanour, esp. (~ *anglaise*, see Ap.) as English characteristic. [F]

mō'rībūnd, a. At the point of death (lit. & fig.). [f. L *morbundus* (*mori* die)]

mō'rion, n. (hist.). Helmet without beaver or visor. [F, etym. dub.]

Moris'cō, a. & n. 1. Moorish. 2. n. Moor, esp. in Spain; morris dance. [Sp. (*Moro Moor**)]

Mōrm'on, n. Member of religious body founded in 1830 by Joseph Smith in New York on basis of supposed Divine revelations in *Book of ~* (imaginary author); person who practises polygamy (formerly regarded as chief feature of the sect). Hence ~*ISM* n.

mōrn, n. (poet.). Morning. [OE *morgen*, *myrgen*, *margen*, cf. Du. & G *morgen*, perh. f. root **mergh-* twinkle]

mōrn'ing, n. Early part of day-time, ending at noon, or at hour of midday meal; *good ~*, form of salutation; (poet.) dawn; (attrib. of clothes) meant to be worn in the ~, as ~ *coat*, tail-coat with front sloped away; ~ *call*, visit paid during afternoon; ~ *draught*, liquor taken before breakfast; ~ *gift* (see *MORGANATIO*, etym.); ~ *glory*, kind of convolvulus; ~ *performance*, matinée; ~ *prayer*, Anglican service of matins; ~ *room*, sitting-room for the ~; ~ *star*, Venus (or other planet or bright star) seen in E. before sunrise; ~ *watch* (Naut.), 4-8 A.M. [ME *morwening* (*morwen* MORN, + *-ING**)]

morōcc'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Leather made (orig. in Morocco, now also in Europe) from goatskins tanned with sumac; *French ~*, inferior small-grained kind; *Levant ~*, high-grade large-grained kind. [f. native *Marrakesh*]

mōr'on, n. Adult whose mental development is arrested at the stage normal in a child of 9-12 years; (pop.) degenerate brute, fool. [neut. of Gk *mōros* dull]

morōse, a. Sullen, gloomy, & unsocial. Hence ~*LY* adv., ~*NESS* n. [f. L *morosus* (*mos moris* manner, see -*OS**)]

Mōrph'eas, n. God of dreams or sleep; in the arms of ~, asleep. [L]

mōrph'ine, **mōrph'in**, nn. Alkaloid narcotic principle of opium, largely used to

alleviate pain. Hence **mōrph'inism**(s) n. [(*-ine* f. G *morphin*, see -*INE**) f. prec.]

mōrphō'og'i'y, n. (Biol.) study of the form of animals & plants; (Philol.) study of the form of words. Hence **mōrphō-lō'gical** a., **mōrphōlō'gical'y** adv., ~*IST*n. (Biol.). [f. Gk *morphē* form + *-logy*]

mō'rris, a. & n. ~ (*dance*), grotesque dance by persons in fancy costume, usu. as characters in Robin Hood legend (medieval, & as modern revival); ~ *pike* (hist.), form of pike supposed to be of Moorish origin. [f. *morys*, var. of *MOORISH*]

|| **Mō'rriſon** **shēl'ter**, n. Indoor steel table-like shelter for protection in air raids. [H. *Morrison*, Home Secretary]

mō'rriſ **tūbe**, n. Small-bore rifle barrel insertable in rifle for practice on miniature range. [R. *Morris*, inventor]

mō'rrow (-ō), n. (literary). *The ~*, the following day; (fig.) *on the ~ of* (time following on) *a long war* etc. [ME *morwe*, shortened f. *morwen* MORN]

mōrse¹, n. Walrus. [f. Lapp. *morsa*]

Mōrse², n. & a. (Of) the recording telegraph invented by S. F. B. Morse (d. 1872), as ~ *alphabet*, *code* (in which letters are represented by variations on two signs, e.g. dot & dash, long & short flash, etc.).

mōrse³, n. Clasp, often jewelled etc., of cope. [f. OF *mors* f. L *morsus* bite, catch]

mōrs'el, n. Mouthful, small piece, (*of* food etc.); fragment. [OF, dim. of *mors* a bite f. L *morċere mors-* bite]

mōrt¹, n. Note sounded on horn at death of deer. [F, f. L *mortem* (nom. *mors*) death]

mōrt², n. Salmon in third year. [?]

mōrt³, n. (dial.). A great amount or number of (*a ~ of*). [?]

mōrt'al, a. & n. 1. Subject to death; causing death, fatal, (*to*, often fig.); (of battle) fought to the death; (of enemy) implacable; (of pain, fear, etc.) deadly; (of sin) entailing spiritual death, deadly; accompanying death, as ~ *agony*; (sl.) very great, as *in a ~ hurry*; (sl.) long & tedious, as *for two ~ hours*. 2. n. ~, esp. human, being; (joc.) person, as *a thirſty ~*. Hence ~*LY* adv. [f. OF *mortel* f. L *mortalis* (*mors -rtis* death, see -*AL*)]

mōrtāl'it'y, n. Mortal nature; loss of life on large scale; number of deaths in given period etc.; death-rate; *BILL's of ~*; ~ *tables* (showing expectation of life at various ages etc.). [f. F *mortalité* f. L *mortalitatem* (as prec., see -*TY*)]

mōrt'ar, n., & v.t. 1. Vessel of hard material, e.g. marble, in which ingredients are pounded with pestle. 2. Short piece of ordnance for throwing shells at high angles; contrivance for firing shells in pyrotechnic displays. 3. Mixture of lime, sand, & water, for joining stones or bricks, whence ~*LESS*, ~*Y*, aa.; ~ *beard*, board for holding ~, (pop.) square collar esp. 4. v.t. Plaster, join, with ~; attack,

bombard, with ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. *F mortier* f. *L mortarium*, etym. dub.]

mortgage¹ (mɔʁgʲ), n. Conveyance of property by debtor (*mortgager*, -or) to creditor (*mortgagee*) as security for debt, with proviso that it shall be reconveyed on payment of debt within certain period; deed effecting this. [OF, = dead pledge (*mort* f. *L mortuus* dead + *gage*)]

mortgage² (mɔʁgʲ), v.t. Make over (property) by mortgage; pledge (oneself, one's powers etc., to object etc.). Hence **mortgagor**¹ (mɔʁg-), **mortgager**¹ (mɔʁg-), **mortgagor**² (mɔʁgajɔʁ'), nn. (see prec.). [f. prec.]

***mortician** (-ahn), n. Undertaker. [f. *L mors* -*rtis* death + *-ician*]

mortify, v.t. & i. Bring (body, passions, etc.) into subjection by self-denial or discipline; cause (person) to feel humiliated, wound (feelings), whence ~*ying*² a.; (intr., of flesh) be affected by gangrene or necrosis. So ~*ficat*'ion n. [f. *F mortifier* f. *L mortificare* (*mors* -*rtis* death, see -*ry*)]

mortise, -ice, n., & v.t. 1. Hole in a framework designed to receive the end of some other part esp. a *TENON*; ~ *chisel* (with stout blade, for cutting ~s). 2. v.t. Join (things *together*, one to or into another) securely, esp. by tenon & ~. [(vb f. n.) f. *F mortise*, etym. dub.]

mort main, n. (law). (Condition of) lands or tenements held inalienably by ecclesiastical or other corporation; (fig.) in ~, under posthumous control. [f. OF *morte-main* f. med. *L mortua manus* dead hand, prob. in allusion to impersonal ownership]

mortuary, a. & n. 1. Of death or burial. 2. n. Building in which dead bodies are kept for a time. [f. *L mortuarius* (*mortuus* dead, see -*ary*)]

mosaic¹ (-s), a., n., & v.t. (~*king*, ~*ked*). 1. (Form or work of art) in which pictures etc. are produced by joining together minute pieces of glass, stone, etc., of different colours (also fig. of any diversified whole); ~ *disease* (in plants, esp. tobacco, maize, & sugar-cane); ~ *woolwork* (producing effect like that of ~); ~ *gold*, a disulphide of tin, also alloy of copper & zinc used in cheap jewellery etc. 2. v.t. Adorn with ~s; combine (as) into ~. Hence ~*ist*(s) n. [(vb f. n.) f. *F mosaïque* f. med. *L mosaici*, mu-, as if f. a Gk *mouaikaos* of the Muses (*mousa* MUSE¹, see -*io*)]

Mosaic² (-s), a. Of Moses, esp. ~ *Law* (in Pentateuch). [f. *L Moses* + -*ic*]

mosasaurus (-ɔʁ-), n. (pl. -rɪ). Large extinct marine reptile, first found near Maastricht on Meuse. [f. *Mosa* Meuse + Gk *saurus* lizard]

moschatel¹ (-k-), n. Small plant with pale-green flowers & musky smell. [f. *F moscatelle* f. It. *moscatella* (*moescato* MUSE)]

moselle² (-s), n. Dry white wine produced near the river M^e.

Mos'es (-is), n. (Nickname for) Jewish moneylender.

Mos'lem, **Mus'lim**, (-z-, -s-), a. & n. (pl. -*ms*, -*mins*). Mohammedan. Hence **Moslemism** n. [Arab. (-*im*), part. of *aslama* whence ISLAM]

mosque (-k), n. Mohammedan place of worship. [16th-c. *mosques* f. *F mosques* f. It. *moschea* f. Arab. *masgid* (*sagada* vb worship)]

mosquitō (-kē-), n. (pl. ~*es*). Kinds of gnat, female of which punctures skins of animals with long proboscis & sucks their blood; ~*net*, ~*curtain* (to keep off ~*es*); ~*craft*, small light vessels for rapid manoeuvring. [Sp., dim. of *mosca* f. *L musca* fly]

moSS, n., & v.t. 1. Wet spongy soil; peat-bog; kinds of small herbaceous cryptogamous plant, some growing in bogs, others on surface of ground, trees, stones, etc., in crowded masses, whence ~*iness* n., ~*Y*¹ a.; ~*rolling stone gathers no ~*, one who constantly changes his place or employment will not grow rich. 2. ~*bunker*, ~*menhaden*; ~*grown*, overgrown with ~; || ~*bag*, broken ground from which peat has been taken; ~*rose*, garden variety of cabbage rose, with ~like growth on calyx & stalk; ~*trooper*, border free-booter of 17th c. 3. v.t. Cover with ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *mos*, cf. Du. *mos*, G *moos*]

most, a. & adv. 1. Existing in greatest quantity or degree, as *you have made ~ mistakes*, see *who can make ~ noise*, (abs., quasi-noun) *this is the ~ I can do*; *make the ~ of it*, employ it to the best advantage, (also) represent it at the best or worst; the majority, as ~ *people think so*, (quasi-n.) ~ *of them are broken*; for the ~ *part*, in the main, usually, whence ~*ly*² adv. 2. adv. In the highest degree, as *what ~ annoys me*, (forming superl. of most adj.), of more than one syllable & most adv.). ~ *ludicrously*, ~ *certainly*, ~ *callously*; *ten at ~*, not more than ten; *this is at ~* (is no more than) a *makeshift*. [com.-Teut.: OE *mōst*, Du. *meest*, G *meist*, f. OTeut. *maisto* (*maie* MORE, see -*est*)]

-**most**, suf. forming superl. adj. formed not on adj. but on prep. or demonstr. stems (*after*~, *fore*~, *in*~, *id*~) & later on wds indicating position in place, time, or order, (*back*~, *top*~, *centre*~, & the compar. *upper*~, *utter*~, *further*~, etc.); also in *better*~; altered form of OE *-most*, combining two superl. suff., -*mo*- & -*isto*-; in late OE *-most* was confused with *moſt* (see prec.), whence usu. mod. pronunc. (*mōst*) for the unstressed (*moest*).

mōt (mō), n. (pl. ~s pr. mōs). Witty saying; ~ *juste* (see Ap.), the expression that conveys a desired shade of meaning with more precision than any other. [F., ~ward, f. pop. L *mutum* = L *mutum* (*mutare* mūmur)]

mōte, n. Particle of dust; ~ *in* (another's)

eye, trifling fault if compared to one's own (see *Math.* vii. 3). [OE *met*, perh. cogn. w. Du. *met* dust, sawdust]

motet', n. (mus.). Anthem (usu. unaccompanied) in R.C. or Lutheran Church; non-ecclesiastical work on similar lines. [F, dim. of *MOT*]

mōth, n. (Also *clothes*~) small nocturnal lepidopterous insect breeding in cloth etc., on which its larva feeds (~, *the* ~, collect., ~s), whence ~*r*^s a.; one of two great divisions of Lepidoptera including this, distinguished from butterflies by not having clubbed antennae, & apt to scorch themselves by fluttering about light; (fig.) person hovering around temptation; ~*ball* (of chemical preventive for keeping ~s from clothes); ~*eden*, destroyed by ~s, (fig.) antiquated, time-worn. [OE *moththe* cf. MDu. & G *motte*]

mo'ther¹ (mūdh-), n. 1. Female parent. 2. Quality, condition, etc., that gives rise to another, as *necessity is the ~ of invention*. 3. Head of female religious community (often *M~ Superior*). 4. (Term of address for) elderly woman of lower class. 5. (Also *artificial* ~) apparatus for rearing chickens. 6. (Arch., f. obs. sense *womb*) hysteria. 7. *M~ Carey's chicken*; *M~ Church* (as of maternal authority); *M~Church* (whence others have sprung); ~ *country*, country in relation to its colonies; ~*craft*, skill in treatment of offspring; ~ *earth*, earth as ~ of its inhabitants etc., (Joc.) the ground; *M~ Hubbard*, person in nursery rhyme, kind of cloak or overall; ~*in-law*, one's wife's or husband's ~; ~*land*, one's native land; ~ *lodge* (Freemasonry), masonic lodge in which one was initiated; ~ *of pearl*, smooth shining iridescent substance forming inner layer of some shells (often attrib., w. hyphens); ~ *of thousands or millions*, ivy-leaved toad-flax; || ~ *ship* (in charge of torpedo-boats, submarines, etc.); ~'s *son*, man, esp. *every ~'s son of (you etc.)*; ~ *tongue*, one's native tongue, (also) tongue from which others spring; ~ *wit*, native wit, common sense. Hence ~*wood* n., ~*less*, ~*like*, aa. [com.-Teut.: OE *mōdor*, Du. *moeder*, G *mutter*, cogn. w. Gk *mētēr*, L *mater*]

mo'ther² (mūdh-), v.t. Give birth to (usu. fig.); protect as a mother; acknowledge or profess oneself the mother of (child, lit. & fig.); || ~*ing Sunday*, Mid-lent Sunday, with old custom of visiting parents with gifts. [f. prec.]

mo'ther³ (mūdh-), n. (Also ~ *of vinegar*) moulaginous substance produced in vinegar during fermentation by mould-fungus. Hence ~*r*^s a. [prob. = **MOTHER**¹; cf. MDu. *moeder*, G *mutter*]

mo'therl[y] (mūdh-), a. Having, showing, the good qualities of a mother. Hence ~*ness* n. [OE *mōdorlic* (see **MOTHER**¹ & -*ly*¹)]

mōtif' (-&f), n. Constituent feature, dominant idea, in artistic composition; ornament of lace etc. sewn separately on dress. [F, as *MOTIVÉ* a.]

mōt'ile, a. (zool., bot.). Capable of motion. Hence *motil'ity* n. [as *MOVE*, see -*il*]

mō'tion¹, n. 1. Moving, change of place; manner of moving the body in walking etc.; change of posture; gesture; *in* ~, moving, not at rest; *put in* ~, set going or working; ~ *picture*, cinematographic film. 2. Formal proposal in deliberative assembly; (Law) application by party etc. for rule or order of court. 3. Evacuation of bowels. 4. Piece of moving mechanism. Hence ~*al*, ~*less*, aa., (-shon-). [F, f. L *motio*nem (as *MOVE*, -*ion*)]

mō'tion², v.t. & i. Direct (person to, towards, away, etc., to do) by sign or gesture; make gesture (to person) directing him (to do). [f. prec.]

mō'tive¹, a. & n. 1. Tending to initiate movement, whence *mōtiv'ity* n.; ~ *power*, moving or impelling power, esp. form of mechanical energy used to drive machinery, e.g. steam, electricity; concerned with movement. 2. n. What induces a person to act, e.g. desire, fear, circumstance, whence ~*less* a.; = **MOTIF**. [f. F *mōtif* f. med. L *motivus* (*MOVE*, -*ive*)]

mō'tive², *mō'tivāte*, v.v.t. Supply a motive to, be the motive or motif of. Hence *mōtivā'tion* n. [f. prec. n.]

mō't'le, a. & n. 1. Diversified in colour; of varied character, as ~ *assembly*. 2. n. Incongruous mixture; (Hist.) fool's parti-coloured dress, esp. *wear* ~, play the fool. [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

mō't'or, n., a., & v.i. & t. 1. What imparts motion; machine supplying motive power for carriage or vessel, esp. internal-combustion engine, as (attrib.) ~ *bicycle*, *cab*, (*omni*)*bus*, *boat*, *ship*; ~*car*; ~ *bandit*, thief who uses a ~-car in his depredations; || ~*car*, carriage propelled by ~ for use on ordinary roads, whence ~*ist*(s) n.; ~ *cycle*, bicycle etc. worked by ~ engine. 2. (anat.). Muscle designed to move a part of the body; (nerve) designed to excite muscular activity, whence *mōtō'r'ial*, *mō't'or*, aa. 3. v.b. Go or convey in ~-car. [L (*MOVE*, -*or*^s)]

mō't'oriz'e, v.t. Equip (troops etc.) with motor transport. Hence ~*ation* n. [-*ize*]

mō't'le, n., & v.t. 1. Arrangement of spots or confluent blotches of colour; such spot; variegated woollen yarn. 2. v.t. Mark (esp. soap) with ~s (esp. in p.p.). [prob. f. **MOTLEY**]

mō't'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Sentence inscribed on some object & expressing appropriate sentiment; maxim adopted as rule of conduct; verses etc. in paper cracker; quotation prefixed to book or chapter; (Mus.) recurrent phrase having symbolical significance. [It., as *MOT*]

moue (mōb), n. *four*². [F; cf. *cow*¹]
mouff'lon (mōb-), n. Wild mountain sheep of S. Europe. [f. F *moufflon* f. LL *mufron*]
moujik, muzhik, (mōb'zhik), n. Russian peasant; lady's loose fur cape. [f. Russ. *muzhik* peasant]
mould¹ (mōld), n. Loose earth; upper soil of cultivated land; *man* of ~, mere mortal; ~board, board in plough that turns over the furrow-slice. [OE *molde*, cf. Du. *moude*, G dial. *moll*, f. OTeut. *mulgrind*, cf. MEAL¹]
mould² (mōld), n. Pattern, templet, used by masons, bricklayers, etc., as guide in shaping mouldings; hollow form into which molten metal etc. is cast to cool into required shape; metal or earthenware vessel used to give shape to puddings etc., pudding etc. so shaped; (fig.) *cast in heroic* etc. ~, of such character; form, shape, esp. of animal body; (Archit.) group of mouldings; ~ *candle* (made in a ~); ~*loft*, room on floor of which plans of ship are drawn full size. [ME *mold(e)* prob. f. OF *modle* f. MODULUS]
mould³ (mōld), v.t. Produce (object) in certain shape, *out* of (elements), or *upon* (pattern), lit. & fig.; bring into certain shape; shape (bread) into loaves. [f. prec.]
mould⁴ (mōld), n. Woolly or furry growth of minute fungi on things that lie for some time in moist warm air. [prob. f. obs. *mould* a., p.p. of *moul* grow mouldy, cf. Swed. *mögla*]
moul'der¹ (mōl-), n. One who moulds, esp. workman making moulds for casting. [-ER¹]
moul'der² (mōl-), v.i. Decay to dust, rot away, (often fig.). [perh. MOULD¹ + -ER²]
moul'ding (mōl-), n. In vbl senses, esp. moulded object, esp. ornamental variety of outline in cornices etc. of building, woodwork, etc.; ~board (on which dough is kneaded). [MOULD¹ + -ING¹]
moul'djy¹ (mōl-), a. Overgrown with mould; (fig.) stale, out-of-date; (sl.) dull, tiresome, boring. Hence ~*iness* n. [MOULD¹ + -Y¹]
moul'djy² (mōl-), n. (naut. sl.). Torpedo. [f.]
moulin (mōblān'), n. Nearly vertical shaft in glacier, formed by surface water falling through crack in ice. [F, lit. = mill]
moult (mōlt), v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of birds) shed (feathers), shed feathers, in changing plumage (also fig.). 2. n. ~ing. [(n. f. vb) ME *mouten* f. OE ⁺*mutian* f. L *mutare* change; -t- on false anal. of *fault* etc.]
mound¹, n. Ball of gold etc. representing earth, surmounting crown etc., & used in heraldry. [f. F *monde* f. L *mundus* world]
mound², n., & v.t. Elevation of earth or stones, esp. of earth heaped on grave; hillock; ~builder, one of prehistoric Indian race in N. America who erected

~s, (also) kinds of bird depositing eggs in a heap; (v.t.) enclose with, heap up in, ~s. [f.]
mount¹, n. Mountain, hill, (abbr. *Mt*, preceding name, as *Mt Ephraim*); (Palmyra) fleshy prominence on palm of hand. [OE *munf* f. L *mons -ntis*]
mount², v.i. & t. 1. Ascend (hill etc. or abs.); proceed upwards; (of blood) rise into cheeks. 2. Rise to higher level of rank, power, intensity, etc.; (also ~ *up*) rise in amount. 3. Get on horse etc. for purpose of riding; get on (horse etc. or abs.); put (person) on horse etc.; furnish (person) with horse. 4. Raise (guns) into position; put (loom etc.) in working order; put (picture etc.) in a MOUNT²; fit (gems etc.) in gold etc.; fix (object) on microscope slide. 5. Put (play) on stage; display (article of costume). 6. ~ *an offensive* (Mil.), act on, take, the offensive; ~ (go on duty as) *guard* (over thing or abs.). [f. OF *munter* f. pop. L ⁺*montare* (as prec.)]
mount³, n. Margin surrounding picture, card on which drawing is mounted; ornamental metal parts of thing; horse for person's riding; chance of riding, esp. as jockey. [f. prec.]
moun'tain (-tān), n. Natural elevation of earth's surface, large or high hill; *Ma-homet & the ~*, *Mahomet will go to the ~*, phrases applied to the pretender who is not abashed under exposure (w. ref. to the story told in Bacon's Essay on Boldness); *waves ran ~s* (very) *high*, ~*high*; large heap or pile; (also ~ *wine*) Malaga wine from ~ grapes; *the M~*, extreme party in first French Revolution, occupying elevated position in chamber of assembly; ~ *ash*, tree with delicate pin-nate leaves & scarlet berries; ~ *chain*, series of ~s; ~ *dew* (colloq.), Scotch whisky; ~ *sickness*, malady caused by rarefied ~ air. [f. OF *montaigne* f. pop. L *montanea* f. ⁺*montaneus* = L *montanus* (*mons -ntis* mountain, -AN)]
mountaineer¹ (-tān), n. Dweller amongst mountains; one skilled in mountain climbing, whence ~*ing*¹ n. [-EEER]
moun'tainous (-tān), a. Abounding in mountains; huge. [f. OF *montagneux* (MOUNTAIN, -OUS)]
moun'tebank, n. Itinerant quack who held forth to audience from platform; charlatan. Hence ~*ery*(4) n. [f. It. *montabanco* = *monta in banco* mount on bench]
mourn (mōrn), v.i. & t. Feel sorrow or regret (*for*, *over*, dead person, lost thing, loss, misfortune, etc.); show conventional signs of grief for period after person's death; sorrow for (dead person, thing). [com.-Teut.: OE *murran*, OHG *morren* be anxious, ON *morna* pine]
mourn'er (mōr-), n. One who mourns, esp. who attends funeral of friend or

relation; person hired to attend funeral. [-ER¹]

mourn'ful (mōf-), a. Doleful, sad, sorrowful. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [MOURN + -FUL]

mourn'ing (mōf-), n. In vbl senses, also or esp.: (wearing of) black clothes as sign of ~; DEEP¹, HALF, ~; *complimentary* ~ (worn as tribute to unrelated dead); in ~, wearing such garments, (of the eye) blacked in fighting etc., (of finger-nails) dirty; ~coach (attending funeral); ~paper, notepaper with black edge; ~ring (worn as memorial of deceased person). [-ING¹]

mouse¹ (mows), n. (pl. mice). Animal of any of the smaller species of a genus of rodents, esp. *house*, *field*-, *harvest*-, ~; timid, shy, retiring person; weight & cord for passing sash-lines over pulleys etc.; (sl.) black eye; ~colour, dark grey with yellow tinge; ~ear, hawkweed & other plants; ~trap (for catching mice). Hence **mouse'y**² a. [com.-Teut.: OE *mūs*, Du. *muís*, G *maus*, cf. L & Gk *mys*]

mouse² (-z), v.l. & t. (Of cat or owl) hunt for or catch mice, whence **mouse'ER**¹ (-z-) n.; search industriously, prowl about in search of something; (Naut.) put some turns of spunyarn round (point & shank of a hook). [f. prec.]

mousse (mōs), n. Dish of flavoured cream whipped & frozen (*chestnut*, *chocolate*, etc., ~). [F., =froth]

mousseline (mōsəlēn'), n. French muslin; ~de-laine, dress material of wool & cotton; ~de-soie (swab), thin silk fabric of muslin-like texture. [F, see MUSLIN]

moustache, *mus-, (mustahsh'), n. Hair on either side or both sides of a man's upper lip; similar hair round mouths of some animals; ~cup (with partial cover to protect ~ when drinking). [F, f. It. *mostaccio* f. Gk *mustax* -akos]

Moustér'ian (mōō-), a. (archaeol.). Of the palaeolithic epoch represented by remains found in the Moustier cave in France. [-IAN]

mouth¹ (mowth), n. (pl. pr. -dhz). 1. External orifice in head, with cavity behind it containing apparatus of mastication & organs of vocal utterance; (sl.) impudent talk, cheek; (of horse, with reference to his readiness to feel & obey pressure of bit) good, bad, hard, ~; ~waters of (food); referring to flow of saliva caused by anticipation; useless ~, one who does no work but must be fed; *this sounds strange in your ~* (when said by you); *put words into his ~*, tell him what to say; *put (speech) into person's ~*, represent him as having made it; *take the words out of person's ~*, say what he was about to say; (of dog) give ~, bark, bay; *down in the ~*, dejected; *laugh on wrong side of one's ~*, lament; *make a very ~*, grimace in sign of disapproval etc.

2. Opening of bag, cave, furnace, etc.; outfall of river. 3. ~filling, bombastic, inflated; ~organ, thin rectangular box containing metal reeds, each tuned to a note, moved before ~ to play tunes; ~piece, part of pipe, musical instrument, etc., placed between lips, (also) one who speaks for others. Hence (-)~d² (-dh), ~LESS, aa., ~FUL n. [com.-Teut.: OE *mūth*, Du. *mond*, G *mund*, cogn. w. L *mentum* chin]

mouth² (mowth), v.t. & i. Utter (words or abs.) pompously or very distinctly; take (food) in, touch with, the mouth; train mouth of (horse); grimace. [f. prec.]

mouth'y (-dh), a. Railing, ranting; bombastic. [MOUTH¹ + Y¹]

mo'vable (mōō-), a. & n. 1. That can be moved; (of property) that can be removed, personal as opp. to real; ~feast, one that varies its date, (joc.) meal taken at no regular time. 2. n. Article of furniture that may be removed from the house, opp. to fixture; (pl.) personal property. Hence **movability**, ~NESS, nn., (mōō-). [OF (as MOVE², see -ABLE)]

move¹ (mōv), n. Moving of a piece in chess & other games; player's turn to do this; device, step taken to secure object; on the ~, moving about; make a ~, go, esp. rise & go from dinner-table etc.; get a ~ on (sl.), hurry up, bestir oneself. [f. foll.]

move² (mōv), v.t. & i. 1. Change position of; change position of (piece) in chess etc.; put, keep, in motion, shake, stir; ~heaven & earth, make every effort (to do); change posture of (one's body, limbs, etc.). 2. Cause (bowels) to act. 3. Provoke (laughter, anger, etc., in person, person to these); affect (person) with (usu. tender) emotion, whence **mo'ving²** a., **mo'ving-LY²** adv., (mōō-). 4. Prompt, incline, (person to action, to do); the spirit (orig. in Quaker use, = Holy Spirit) ~s me, I feel inclined (to do). 5. Make formal application to (court etc. for); propose (question, resolution, that thing be done) in deliberative assembly. 6. Go, pass, (about, away, etc.) from place to place; make progress, as the work ~s slowly; make a move at chess etc. 7. Change one's abode; ~about, do this often; ~in, take possession of new abode. 8. ~on (policeman's order to person who stands too long in one place), (trans.) cause person to ~ on by giving this order. 9. (Of person or part of body) change posture; (of inanimate things) suffer change of position; *moving staircase*, one made on principle of endless chain, with steps moving up or down continuously, escalator. 10. (Of bowels) be ~d. 11. Make request or application (for); take action, proceed, (in matter). Hence ~LESS a. (rare). [f. OF *movoir* f. L *movēre* mot-]

move'ment (mōōvm-), n. Moving; military evolution; moving parts of machine,

particular group of these; mental impulse; development of poem, story, etc.; (Mus.) principal division of a musical work (e.g. suite, sonata, symphony), having a distinctive structure of its own; series of actions & endeavours of a body of persons for special object, as the OXFORD ~; activity in market for some commodity. [OF, f. med. L *movimentum* (as prec., see -MENT)]

mo'ver (mōv-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who moves proposal; *prime* ~, initial source (natural or mechanical) of motive power, (also) author of fruitful idea. [-ER¹]

mo'vies (mōvīz), n. pl. (sl.). Cinema pictures. [=moving pictures]

mow¹, n. Stack of hay, corn, peas, etc.; place in barn where hay etc. is heaped; ~burnt, spoil by becoming overheated in the ~. [OE *mūga*, cf. ON *mūge*, Sw. & Norw. *muga*]

mow² (mō, mow), n., & v.i. See MOP². [(vb f. n.) f. OF *moue* mouth, lip, pout, etym. dub.]

mow³ (mō), v.t. (~ed pr. mōd, ~n). Cut down (grass etc. or abs.) with scythe or machine; cut down produce of (field) thus; destroy sweepingly, cut off or down in great numbers. Hence ~ER¹(1, 2) (mō'er) n. [com.-WG: OE *māwan*, Du. *maaien*, G *mähen*]

mōx'a, n. Down from dried leaves of a plant, used for burning on skin as counter-irritant for gout; anything so used. [f. Jap. *mokusa* (moe kusa burning herb)]

moy'a, n. Volcanic mud. [?]

Mōzā'rab, n. (hist.). Christian owning allegiance to Moorish king but allowed his own religion. Hence ~IC a. [f. Sp. *Mozárabe* f. Arab. *musta'rib* would-be Arab ('arab)]

Mprēt, n. Albanian ruler. [f. L *imperator* emperor]

Mr (mis'ter). See MISTER.

Mrs (mis'iz), n. Title prefixed to surname of married woman who has no superior title; *Mrs Grundy* (see GRUNDYISM). [abbr. of MISTRESS]

mū, n. Greek letter M (M, μ). [Gk]

mūch, a. & adv. 1. Existing in great quantity, as ~ trouble, too ~ noise, not ~ rain, (abs., quasi-n.) *I have stood ~, ~ of what you say is true; too* (more than a match) for; THINK, MAKE, ~ of; *he is not ~ of* (not a good) scholar. 2. adv. In a great degree (qualifying vb or p.p., cf. VERY), as *I ~ regret the mistake, was ~ annoyed*; (qualifying compar. or superl. adj.) ~ better, ~ the most likely; pretty nearly, as ~ of a size, about the same size. Hence ~LY² adv. (joc.). [f. OE *micel* MICKLE]

mūch'nēss, n. Greatness in quantity or degree; *much of a ~*, very nearly the same or alike. [prec. + -NESS]

mūc'illage, n. Viscous substance from various plants; gum; viscous fluid in animal bodies, e.g. mucus. So **mūc'i-**

m'ginous a. [F, f. LL *muclago -ginis* (MUCUS)]

mūck¹, n. Farmyard manure; dirt; (colloq.) anything disgusting; (colloq.) untidy state; ~rake (for collecting ~, usu. fig.); ~worm, worm that lives in ~, (fig.) money-grubber, street arab. Hence ~Y² a. [ME *muk*, prob. of Scand. orig.]

mūck², v.t. & i. Make dirty; (sl.) bungle (job); (sl.) go aimlessly about. [f. prec.]

mūck'er, n. (sl.). Heavy fall (lit. & fig.); *come a ~*, experience this; *go a ~*, plunge into extravagance (on, over, purchase). [-ER¹]

mūc'kle. See MICKLE.

mūc'ous, a. Of, covered with, mucous, as ~ membrane, internal prolongation of the skin so covered. So **mūcōs'ity** n. [f. L *mucosus* (as MUCUS, see -OUS)]

mūc'rō, n. (bot., zool.; pl. ~nes pr. -ōn'ēz). Pointed part or organ. Hence **mūc'ron-ate**²(2) a. [L, =point]

mūc'us, n. Slimy substance secreted by mucous membrane; gummy substance found in all plants; slimy substance exuded by some animals, esp. fishes. [L, cogn. w. *emungere* blow the nose, & Gk *mussomai*]

mūd, n. Wet soft earthy matter, mire; (fig.) what is worthless or polluting; *fling, throw, ~*, make disgraceful imputations; STICK in the ~; ~bath (in ~ of mineral springs, for rheumatism etc.); ~guard, piece of metal attached to wheel of cycle etc. to protect rider from ~; ~lark, one who dabbles, works, or lives, in ~, esp. street arab; ~pie, ~shaped like pie by child; ~volcano (discharging ~). [ME *mode*, cf. Du. *modden* dabble in ~, G dial. *mott* bog]

mūdār, ma-, n. E.-Ind. shrub, of which root-bark is used in medicine & inner bark yields silky fibre (yeroum). [Hind. (ma-)]

mūd'dle¹, n. Disorder; *make a ~ of*, bungle; ~headed(ness), stupid(ity). [f. foll.]

mūd'dle², v.t. & i. Bewilder, esp. with drink; mix (things up, together) blunderingly; bungle (affair); busy oneself in confused & ineffective way; ~ on, get on in haphazard way; ~ through, attain one's end by tenacity not skill. [f. *mud* + -LE(3)]

mūd'd'ly, a., & v.t. 1. Like, abounding in, covered with, mud; (of light) dull; (of voice) thick; mentally confused; obscure. 2. v.t. Make ~y. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [(vb f. adj.) f. *MUD* + -Y²]

Mūd'le's (-dis), n. (Used for ~ circulating library. [name of London firm])

mudir (mōddēr'), n. Governor of Turkish village or of Egyptian province. [Turk. f. Arab., part. of *adara* govern]

mūsar'in (mōs-), n. Mohammedan elder who proclaims hours of prayer from

minaret. [f. Arab. *mu'adhdhin* (*adhana* proclaim)]

muff¹, n. Woman's fur or other covering (usu. cylindrical) into which both hands are thrust from opposite ends to keep them warm; *foot-~*, contrivance serving same purpose for feet. [prob. f. Du. *mof* f. F as **MUFFLE**¹]

muff², n., & v.t. 1. Person who is awkward or stupid, orig. in some athletic sport; failure, esp. to catch ball at cricket etc. 2. v.t. Bungle, miss (catch, ball, etc.). Hence *~'ish* a. [f]

|| **muffete^e**, n. Worstest cuff worn on wrist. [prob. irreg. f. **MUFF**¹]

muff'in, n. || Light flat round spongy cake, eaten toasted & buttered; || *~bell* (rung by *~man*, seller of *~s*). [f]

muffineer^e, n. Small castor for sprinkling salt or sugar on muffins. [-EEER]

muff'le¹, n. Thick part of upper lip & nose of ruminants & rodents. [f. F *musfle*, etym. dub.]

muff'le², n. 1. Leather glove for lunatics who tear clothes etc.; mitten. 2. Receptacle placed within furnace, in which substances may be heated without contact with products of combustion; chamber in kiln for baking pottery. [f. F *moufle* mitten f. med. L *muffula*]

muff'le³, v.t. Wrap, cover up, (oneself, one's throat etc., or abs.) for warmth; wrap up head of (person) to prevent his speaking; wrap up (ears, bell, drum, horse's hoofs) to deaden sound; repress, deaden, sound of (curse etc., usu. in p.p.). [prob. as prec.]

muff'ler, n. Wrap, scarf, worn for warmth; boxing-glove; thick glove; thing used to deaden sound, esp. felt pad between hammer & string of piano. [f. prec. + -ER¹]

muff'ti, n. 1. Mohammedan priest or expounder of law, esp. official head of religion in Turkey. 2. || Plain clothes worn by one who has right to wear uniform, esp. in *~*. [Arab., part. of *afṭa* decide point of law]

mug¹, n. Drinking-vessel, usu. cylindrical, with or without handle; its contents; a cooling drink; [perh. diff. wd] (sl.) face, mouth. [f]

|| **mug²**, n. (sl.). Simpleton, muff. [f]

|| **mug³**, v.i. & t. (-gg-), & n. (sl.). 1. Study hard (at subject or abs.); (also *~ up*) get up (subject). 2. n. One who studies hard; examination. [f]

mugg'er (-g-), n. Broad-nosed Indian crocodile. [f. Hind. *magar*]

mugg'ins (-g-), n. Simpleton; children's game of cards; game of dominoes. [perh. the surname *M~*, w. allusion to **MUG**³]

Muggleton'ian (-gel-), & n. (Member) of sect founded by, & believing in personal inspiration of, L. Muggleton & John Reeve, c. 1660. [-IAN]

mugg'ly (-g-), a. (Of weather, day, etc.)

damp & warm; stifling, close. Hence *~iness* n. [f. dial. *mug* drizzle, cf. ON *mugga*, + -Y²]

***mug'wump**, n. Great man, boss; one who holds aloof from party politics. [f. native *muguwomp* great chief]

Muhammadan. See **MOHAMMEDAN**.

mülätt'ö, n. (pl. *-s*), & a. 1. Offspring of European & Negro. 2. adj. Of *~* colour, tawny. [f. Sp. *mulato* young mule, *mulatto*, irreg. f. *mulo* MULE¹]

mül'berry, n. 1. Genus of tree, leaves of which are much used for feeding silk-worms: its fruit; *~ bush*, children's game with ditty *Here we go round the ~ bush*. 2. (M*~*) code name of prefabricated harbour used in the invasion on D-DAY and subsequently. [ult. f. OHG *mülberi* (*mür* f. L *morum* mulberry + *beri* berry)]

mülch, n., & v.t. 1. Mixture of wet straw, leaves, etc., spread to protect roots of newly planted trees. 2. v.t. Treat with *~*. [prob. f. obs. adj. *mülch* soft, cf. dial. *melch* (OE *melsc*) & G dial. *molisch* soft]

mülct, n., & v.t. 1. Fine imposed for offence. 2. v.t. Punish (person) by fine (in amount, or with amount as second object), deprive (person etc. of). [(v) f. L *mulctare*] f. L *mül(ct)a*]

müle¹, n. 1. Offspring of he-ass & mare, or (pop.) of she-ass & stallion (prop. *hinny*), used as beast of draught & burden & noted for obstinacy; stupid or obstinate person; hybrid plant or animal; *~ canary*, cross between canary & other finch. 2. Kind of spinning-machine. Hence **mül'ish¹** a., **mül'ishly¹** adv., **mül'ishness** n. [f. OE *mül*, & f. OF *mül(e)*, f. L *mulus*, -la]

müle², v.i. = **MEWL**.

müle³, n. Heelless slipper. [F]

müléteer¹, n. Mule-driver. [f. F *muletier* (*mulet* dim. of OF *mul* mule, see -**EEER**)]

müliëb'rity¹, n. Womanhood; the normal characteristics of a woman (opp. *virility*); softness, effeminacy. [f. L *muliebritas* (*mulier* woman)]

müll¹, n. Thin variety of plain muslin. [shortened f. *mulmüll* f. Hind. *matmal*]

|| **müll²**, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Muddle, mess, esp. *make a ~ of*. 2. v.t. Make a *~ of* (catch etc.); *~(v.i.) powder over*. [f]

müll³, v.t. Make (wine, beer) into a hot drink with sugar, spices, yolk of egg, etc. [f]

|| **müll⁴**, n. (Sc.). Promontory (M*~* of *Can-tyre*). [Icelandic *múli*]

|| **müll⁵**, n. (Sc.). Snuffbox. [var. of **MULL¹**, box orig. having a grinder]

müll'ah, **möüll'ah**, n. Mohammedan learned in theology & sacred law. [f. Pers., Turk., Hind., *mulla* f. Arab. *maula*] **müll'ein** (-lin), n. Kinds of herbaceous plant with woolly leaves & yellow flowers. [f. AF *moleine*, perh. f. F *mol* soft f. L *mollis*]

müll'er, n. Stone used for grinding powders etc. on slab. [perh. f. OF *moudre* grind f. L *molere*]

müll'ët, n. Two genera of fishes of which *Red & Grey M* are the types. [f. OF *mulet* dim. f. L *mullus* red ~]

mülligatawn'y, n. (Also ~ *soup*) E.-Ind. highly seasoned soup; ~ *paste*, curry paste used for this. [f. Tamil *mīlagu-tannir* pepper-water]

müll'igrübs (-z), n. pl. Depression of spirits; stomach-ache. [arbitrary]

müll'ion (-yon), n. Vertical bar dividing lights in window. Hence ~ *ED*² (-yond) a. [prob. var. of *MONIAL*]

müll'ock, n. (Austral.) rock containing no gold, also, refuse from which gold has been extracted; (dial.) rubbish. [f. dial. *mull* dust, rubbish, f. Teut. root *mul-* grind, + -OCK]

mültäng'ülar (-ngg-), a. Many-angled. [f. *MULTI* + *ANGULAR*]

mültē'itý, n. Manifoldness. [f. L *multus* many]

mül'ti- in comb. (before vowel occas. *mult-*) = L *multus* many, as: ~ *coloured* (ed), of many colours; ~ *fid* (Bot., Zool.), cleft into many parts; ~ *flor'ous*, (of stalk) bearing more than three flowers; ~ *foil* (Archit.), ornament consisting of more than 5 foils; ~ *form*, having many forms, of many kinds, so ~ *form'ily* n.; ~ *lüt'eral*, having many sides; ~ *millionaire* (-yon-), person with fortune of several millions; ~ *nóm'ial* a. & n. (Alg.), (expression) of more than two terms; *multip'arous*, bringing forth many young at a birth, (of woman) who has borne more than one child; ~ *párt'ite*, divided into many parts; ~ *valve* a. & n., (shell, animal with shell) of many valves; *multiv'ocal* a. & n., (word) susceptible of many meanings; *multib'ocular*, having many eyes; *multing'ulate* a & n., (animal) with more than two functional hoofs.

multifár'ious, a. Having great variety; (w. pl. n.) many & various. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. LL *MULTI* (*farius* f. L *farium* adv.) + -OUS]

mül'tiple, a. & n. 1. Of many parts, elements, or individual components (~ *shop*, with branches in various places); (w. pl. n.) many & various; ~ *PERSONALITY*. 2. n. Quantity that contains another some number of times without remainder, as 14 is a ~ of 7; *least common ~*, (abbr. L.C.M.) least quantity that contains two or more given quantities exactly. [F, f. LL *multiplus* = foll.]

mül'tiplēx, a. Manifold, of many elements. [L (*MULTI* + *plex* -fold)]

mül'tiplicable, a. Multipliable. [f. L *multiplicabilis* (as *MULTIPLY*, see -ABLE)]

mültiplicánd, n. Quantity to be multiplied, cf. *MULTIPLIER*. [f. L as *MULTIPLY*, see -ND¹]

mültiplick'tion, n. Multiplying, esp. the arithmetical process (symbol of ~, x, as

in 2x3); ~ *table*, table of products of factors taken in pairs. So **mült'iplica-tiva** a. [F, f. L *multiplicationem* (as *MULTIPLY*, see -ATION)]

mültipli'city, n. Manifold variety; a, the, ~ (great number) of. [f. L *multiplicitas* (as *MULTIPLY*, see -TY)]

mül'tiplier, n. In vbl senses, esp.: quantity by which *MULTIPLICAND* is multiplied; (Econ.) factor by which an increment of income exceeds the resulting increment of saving or investment; (Electr., Magn.) instrument for multiplying intensity of force, current, etc., so as to make it appreciable. [f. foll. + -ER¹]

mültipli'y, v.t. & i. Produce large number of (instances etc.); breed (animals), propagate (plants); (intr.) increase in number by procreation; (Math.) substitute for (given number, the ~ *icand*) a number (the *product*) equal to a given number (the ~ *ier*) of times its value, as ~y 6 by 4 & the product is 24, or 6 ~ *ted* by 4 is 24. Hence ~ *TABLE* a. [f. OF *multiplier* f. L *multiplicare* (*MULTIPLY*)]

mül'ti'tude, n. Numerousness; great number (of); large gathering of people, crowd; the ~ *tude*, the common people. Hence ~ *tüd'inous* a., ~ *tüd'inously*² adv., ~ *tüd'inousness* n. [f. L *multitudo* -*dinis* (*multus* many, see -*TUDE*)]

mültitüd'inisim, n. Principle that prefers interests of multitudes to those of individuals. So ~ *ISM* n. [as prec. + -ISM]

mül'tum in párv'o, n. Much in small compass; (attrib., w. hyphens) small but comprehensive. [L]

|| **mül'ture**, n. Toll of grain or flour paid to miller. [f. OF *molture* f. med. L *moltura* (*molere* -it- grind, see -*URE*)]

müm¹, int. & a. 1. Silence!, esp. ~'s the word. 2. adj. Silent. [imit., cf. G *mumm*]

müm², v.i. (-mm-). Act in dumb show; ~ *chance* (arch.), silent, tongue-tied. [f. prec.]

müm³, n. (hist.). Kind of beer orig. brewed in Brunswick. [f. G *mumme*]

|| **müm⁴**, n. (nursery). -MUMMY².

müm'ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak indistinctly; utter indistinctly; bite, chew, (as) with toothless gums. 2. n. Indistinct utterance. [f. n. vb) ME *momele*, as MUM¹, -LE(3)]

Müm'bō Jüm'bō, n. (pl. ~s). Grotesque idol said to have been worshipped by some tribes; (fig.) object of senseless veneration. [f]

mümm'er, n. Play-actor (derog.); actor in dumb show (hist.). [f. OF *momeur* (*momer* MUM²)]

mümm'erý, n. Performance of mummery; ridiculous (esp. religious) ceremonial. [f. OF *mommerte* (as prec., see -ERY)]

mümm'ly'y, v.t. Preserve (body) by embalming & drying; shroud, dry up,

(tissues etc., esp. in p.p.). Hence ~VICAL-TION n. [f. *F. momifier* (as foll., see -RY)]

mūmm'ŷ¹, n. 1. Body of human being or animal embalmed for burial; dried-up body. 2. Pulpy substance or mass, esp. *beat* (thing) to a ~. 3. Rich brown pigment. [f. *F. momie* f. med. *L. mumia* f. Arab. *mumiya* (mum wax)]

|| **mūmm'ŷ**², n. Mother. [nursery form of MAMMA¹]

mūmp¹, v.i. Be silent & sullen; assume demure expression, whence ~ING² a. [conn. w. MUMPS]

mūmp², v.i. Beg, go about begging. [prob. f. Du. *mopen* cheat]

mūmps, n. pl. (treated as sing.). Contagious disease with swelling of parotid & salivary glands; sulks, whence **mūmpish**¹ a. [imit.]

mūnch, v.t. & i. Eat (food, or abs.) with much action of jaws, as cattle chew fodder. [prob. imit.]

Munchaus'en (-zn), n. *Baron* ~, hero of extravagant book of adventures written in English by R. E. Raspe, a German (1785); extravagant mendacious story. **mūn'dāne**, a. Of this world; of the universe. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. *F. mondain* f. *L. mundanus* (mundus world, see -AN)]

|| **mūndūng'us** (-ngg-), n. (arch.). Bad-smelling tobacco. [f. Sp. *mondongo* tripe]

mūng'ō (-ngg-), n. Woollen fibre like shoddy, but of better quality. [?]

mūn'cipal, a. Of, under, local self-government or corporate government of city or town, whence ~ISM(2), ~IST(2, 3), nn., ~ISM(3) v.t.; carried on etc. by a municipality (~ *debt, kitchen, trading, undertaking*); ~ *law*, that of particular State, opp. to law of nations. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. *L. municipalis* f. *municeps* -cipis citizen of city that had privileges of Roman citizens (*munia* civic offices + root of *capere* take), see -AL]

mūnicipāl'itŷ, n. Town, district, having local self-government; governing body of this. [f. *F. municipalité* (as prec., see -RY)]

mūnific'ent, a. Splendidly generous, bountiful. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. *L. munificent-*, var. stem of *munificus* (munus gift, see -FIC)]

mūn'iment, n. (usu. pl.). Document kept as evidence of rights or privileges. [OF, f. *L. munimentum* defence (*munire* fortify, -MENT)]

mūnition, n., & v.t. 1. (Pl. exc. in comb.) military weapons, ammunition, equipment, & stores (*Ministry* etc. of ~s; ~factory); (arch.) ~, or ~s, of war; hence ~ER¹ (-shē) n. (esp. worker in ~factory). 2. ~s, comply with ~s. ((vb f. n.) *F*, f. *L. munitionem* fortification (as prec., see -MENT))

mūnition, -MULLION.

mūn'jīk, n. Small Asiatic deer. [f. native *mūnshik*]

Mūntz, n. (Also ~metal), alloy (60% copper, 40% zinc) used for sheathing ships etc. [G. *F.* ~, inventor]

mūf'age, n. (hist.). Tax levied for building or repairing walls of town. [OF, f. med. *L. muragium* (murus wall, see -AGE)]

mūf'al, a. & n. 1. Of, like, on, a wall, as ~ paintings; (Rom. Ant.) ~ crown, garland (given to soldiers who first scaled wall of besieged town). 2. n. ~ painting etc. [F, f. *L. muralis* (muris wall, see -AL)]

Mūratōr'ian, a. Of Muratori, Italian scholar, d. 1750; ~ fragment or canon, earliest Western canon of N.T. {-AN}

mūrd'er¹, n. Unlawful killing of human being with malice aforethought; VUDICIAL ~; (prov.) ~ will out (cannot be hidden); the ~ is out, the secret is revealed or mystery explained; (as int. of alarm) ~!; cry blue ~, make extravagant outcry. [OE *mordhor*, cf. Goth. *maurthr*, cogn. w. *L. mori* die, Gk *brolos* mortal]

mūrd'er², v.t. Kill (human being) unlawfully with malice aforethought; kill wickedly or inhumanly; spoil by bad execution, mispronunciation, etc. Hence ~ER², ~ESS², nn. [OE *myrdhran*, cf. OHG *murdran*, Goth. *maurthrjan*, & see prec.]

mūrd'erous, a. (Of person, weapon, action, etc.) capable of, bent on, involving, murder. Hence ~LY² adv. [-OUS]

mūre, v.t. Confine as in prison; shut up. [f. *F. murer* f. *L. murare*, see IMMURE]

mūr'ex, n. (pl. -ices, -exes). Shell-fish yielding purple dye. [*L*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *muax* sea mussel]

mūr'iate, n. (now commerce.). Chloride. [F, f. *murietique*, as foll.]

mūriāt'ic, a. (now commerce.). ~ (hydrochloric) acid. [f. *L. muriaticus* (muria brine, see -ATIO)]

mūrk, **mūrk**, a. (arch., poet.). (Of night, day, place, etc.) dark; misty, dense. [OE *mirce* cf. Sw. *mörk*]

mūrk'ŷ, a. Dark, gloomy; (of darkness) thick. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. *murk* n. darkness, cogn. w. prec., + -Y²]

mūrm'ur¹ (-er), n. Subdued continuous sound, as of waves, brook, etc.; subdued expression of discontent; softly spoken word or speech. Hence ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv. [f. *F. murmure* (as foll.)]

mūrm'ur² (-er), v.i. & t. Make low continuous sound; complain in low tones, grumble, (at, against); utter (words) in low voice. [f. *F. murmurer* f. *L. murmurare* (murmur)]

mūrp'h'ŷ, n. (sl.). Potato. [Irish surname]

mū'r'rain (-rin), n. Infectious disease in cattle; (arch.) a ~ (plague) on you! [f. *F. morine*, cf. Sp. *morriña*, perh. f. *L. mori* die]

mū'r'rey, a. & n. (arch.). (Of the colour of a mulberry, purple-red. [f. OF *more* f. med. *L. morastus* (morium mulberry)])

mū'rrhine (-rin, -rin), a. ~ *glass*, modern delicate ware from the East, made of fluor-spar. [f. *L murr(h)inus* (*murra*, substance of which precious vases etc. were made, see -IRE¹)]

mūs'cadine, n. Musk-flavoured kinds of grape. [prob. f. *Pr.* as *MUSCAT*]

mūs'cardine, n. Disease of silkworms caused by vegetable parasite. [F, f. It. *mosca(r)dino* musk-lozenge (ult. as *MUSK*)]

mūs'cāt, mūs'catēl', -dēl', nn. Muscadine; strong sweet wine from muscadines; (-*tel*) raisin from muscadine. [(*-at*) F, f. *Pr.*, f. It. *moscato* musk-flavoured f. *L muscus* *MUSK*; (-*tel*, -*del*) OF, dim.]

mū'scle (-sl), n., & v.i. 1. Any of the contractile fibrous bands or bundles that produce movement in animal body; *not move a ~*, be perfectly motionless; that part of the animal body which is composed of ~s, the chief constituent of flesh; ~-bound, with ~s stiff & inelastic through over-exercise or over-training; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.i. *(sl.). ~ *in*, intrude by violent means (as of one racketeer poaching on another's preserves). [f. *L musculus* dim. of *mus* mouse]

mūsc|ōl'ogŷ, n. Study of mosses. So ~ōl'OGIST n. [f. *L muscus* moss, -LOGY]

mūscova'dō (-vah), n. Unrefined sugar got from juice of sugar-cane by evaporation & draining off molasses. [f. Sp. *mascabado* of lowest quality]

mūs'covite¹, n. Common mica (earlier *Muscovy glass*). [as foll.]

Mūs'covite², n. & a. Russian; citizen of Moscow. [f. foll. + -ITE¹]

Mūs'covŷ, n. (Arch.) Russia; ~ *duck*, MUSK-DUCK. [f. F *Muscovie* f. Russ. *Moskova* Moscow]

mūs'cūlar, a. Of, affecting, the muscles; having well-developed muscles; ~ *Christianity*, ideal of religious character exhibited in writings of C. Kingsley. Hence **mūs'cūlā'rity** n. [as *MUSCLE*, see -AR¹]

mūs'cūlature n. Muscular system of body or organ. [F, as *MUSCLE*, see -URE]

mūse¹ (-z), n. *The Muses*, nine goddesses, daughters of Zeus & Mnemosyne, inspirers of poetry, music, etc. (*Calliope, Clio, Erato, Euterpe, Melpomene, Polyhymnia, Terpsichore, Thalia, Urania*, Muse of epic poetry, history, lyric poetry, music, tragedy, sacred song, dancing, comedy, astronomy); *the ~*, poet's inspiring goddess, poet's genius; (poet.) poet. [F, f. L f. Gk *Mousa* f. root *men-*, *mon-*, think, remember]

mūse² (-z), v.i., & n. 1. Ponder, reflect, (*on, upon*); gaze meditatively (*on scene* etc.). 2. n. (arch.). Fit of abstraction. [f. F *muser*, prob. f. OF *muse* *MUZEL*², orig. w. sense 'sniff the air when in doubt about agent']

mūsētte (-z), n. Kind of bagpipe; soft pastoral air imitating bagpipe's sound; dance for which this served; reed stop

on organ. [F, dim. of OF *muse* bag-pipe]

mūse'um (-x), n. Building used for storing & exhibition of objects illustrating antiquities, natural history, art, etc.; ~ *piece*, specimen of art, manufacture, etc., fit for a ~ (also derog. of old-fashioned person, machine, etc.). [L, f. Gk *mouseion* seat of the Muses (*Mousa*)]

mūsh¹, n. Soft pulp; (N.-Amer.) kind of porridge. Hence ~'INESS n., ~'Y² a. (also, sl., weakly sentimental, soppy). [prob. var. of *MASH*¹]

mūsh², n. (sl.). Umbrella; small cab-proprietor. [shortened f. foll.]

mūsh'rōm, n., & v.i. 1. Edible kind of fungus, proverbial for rapid growth (~ *growth* etc., sudden development or thing suddenly developed); (fig.) upstart; (colloq.) lady's straw hat with down-curved brim. 2. v.i. Gather ~s; (of bullet) expand & flatten. [(vb f. n.) f. F *mousse-ron*, perh. f. *mousse* moss]

mūs'ic (-z), n. Art of combining sounds with a view to beauty of form & expression of emotion; sounds so produced; pleasant sound, e.g. song of bird, murmur of brook, cry of hounds; *set* (poem etc.) *to ~*, provide it with ~ to which it may be sung; written or printed score of musical composition; *face the ~*, face one's critics etc., not shrink; *rough ~*, noisy uproar, esp. with vexatious intention; *~ *box*, = *MUSICAL box*; ~-*hall* || (used for singing, dancing, & other entertainments); ~-*stool* (with adjustable seat, for piano-player). [f. F *musique* f. L f. Gk *mousikē* (*tekhnē* art) of the Muses (*Mousa* Muse, see -IO)]

mūs'ical (-z), a. & n. 1. Of music; (of sounds, voice, etc.) melodious, harmonious; fond of, skilled in, music; set to, accompanied by, music; ~ *box*, mechanical ~ instrument played by causing toothed cylinder to work in comb-like metal plate; ~ *chairs*, drawing-room game in which *n* players circulate round *n* - 1 chairs till piano ceases, when the one who finds no seat is eliminated, and a chair is removed before the next round; ~ *comedy*, light dramatic entertainment of songs, dialogue, & dancing connected by a slender plot; ~ *film* (in which music is an important feature); ~ *glasses*, kinds of ~ instrument in which notes are produced by graduated glass bowls or tubes; ~ *ride*, military equestrian dance-like exercise performed to ~ accompaniment. 2. n. (colloq.). ~ *film*; **MUSICAL*. Hence **mūs'icā'l'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv., (-z). [F, f. med. L *musicalis* (*musica* MUSIC, see -AL)]

***mūs'icale**¹ (-zikal), n. Musical party. [F, for *soirée* or *matinée* ~]

mūs'ician (-ishn), n. Person skilled in science or practice of music. [f. F *musicien* (as *MUSE*, see -ICIAN)]

musk, *n.* Odoriferous reddish-brown substance secreted in gland by male ~ deer, used for perfumes & as stimulant etc.; kinds of plant with ~y smell; ~ deer, small hornless ruminant of Central Asia; ~ duck (also *Muscovy duck*), tropical American variety, (also) Australian variety male of which has ~y smell; ~ melon, common melon; ~ ox, ruminant found in Arctic America, with strong ~y smell; ~ rat (also *musquash*), large N.-Amer. aquatic rodent, its fur; ~ rose, rambling rose with large fragrant white flowers; ~ tree, ~ wood, trees with ~y smell. Hence **mūs'kr**² *a.* [*f.* *F musc f.* *LL muscus f.* late *Gk mosk(h)os* perh. ult. *f.* *Skr. muska serotum*]

mūs'két, *n.* Infantry soldier's hand-gun (now usu. of obsolete kinds, cf. *RIFLE*); ~ shot, shot fired from ~, range of ~. [*f.* *F mousquet f.* *It. moschetto* sparrowhawk]

musketeer', *n.* (hist.). Soldier armed with musket. [-*ER*]

mūs'kétrý, *n.* Muskets; art of using, troops armed with, muskets; (*Mil.*, in mod. use) instruction, practice, in rifle-shooting. [*f.* *F mousqueterie* (as *MUSKET*, see -*ERY*)]

Muslim. See *MOSLEM*.

mūs'lin (-*z*), *n.* Kinds of delicately woven cotton fabric for ladies' dresses, curtains, etc.; (colloq.) *bit* of ~, woman, girl; ~ de-laine, see *MOUSSELINE*. Hence ~*ed*³ (-*nd*) *a.* [*f.* *F mousseline f.* *It. mussolina* (*Mussolo*, town in Mesopotamia whence ~ came, see -*INE*¹)]

mūs'linét' (-*z*), *n.* Thick kind of muslin. [-*ET*¹]

mūs'mon, *n.* = *MOUFFLON*. [*f.* *L musimon(n)* *f.* late *Gk mousmōn*]

mūs'quash (-*sh*), *n.* (*Fur* of) *MUSK-rat*. [*f.* *Algonkin muskewassu*]

***müss**, *v.t.*, & *n.* (colloq.). 1. Disarrange, throw into disorder (*up*). 2. *n.* State of confusion, untidiness, mess. Hence ~*y*³ *a.* [prob. var. of *MESS*]

mūs'sal' (-*ahl*), *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Torch; (also ~*chee*) torch-bearer. [*f.* *Arab. mas'al*]

müss'el, *n.* Kinds (*Sea, Fresh-water, M*~) of bivalve mollusc; ~ plum, dark purple plum. [*OE muscle f. LL muscula*, fem. as *MUSCLE*]

müss'uck, *n.* (Anglo-Ind.). Leather water-bag. [*Hind. masak*]

Müss'ulman, *n.* & *a.* (pl. ~*s*). Mohammedan. [*f.* Pers. *musulmán* (as *MOSLEM*)]

müst¹, *n.* New wine; grape-juice before fermentation is complete. [*f.* *L mustum* neut. of *mustus* new]

müst², *n.* Mustiness, mould. [prob. back formation *f.* *MUSTY*]

müst³, *a.* & *n.* 1. (Of male elephants & camels) in state of frenzy. 2. *n.* This state. [*f.* *Hind. f. Pers. mast* intoxicated]

müst⁴, *v. auxil.* (3rd sing. *müst*; past

müst, only as below; no infin. or part. or gerund). Be obliged to (do), as you ~ (neg. *need not*, see below & cf. *MAY*¹) *find it, it ~ be found*, (w. necessity less emphasized) *we ~ see what can be done, I ~ ask you to retract that, you ~ know* (I now tell you); be certain to (do), as you ~ *lose, whichever happens; you ~ be* (surely are) *aware of this; he ~ be* (clearly is) *mad*; (as past tense, reporting reflection made at the time) *it was too late now to retract, he ~ make good his word or incur lasting disgrace*; (past or historic present, w. reference to perverse destiny) *just as I was getting better, what ~ I do but break my leg?, just as I was busiest, he ~ come worrying; ~ have done, (1) surely did, as you ~ have known quite well what I meant, (2) necessarily would have done, as you ~ have caught it if you had run*; (w. negative belonging in sense to dependent vb, cf. *MAY*¹) *you ~ not infer* (~ avoid the inference), *you ~ never contradict*. [*OE mōste*, past of *mōt* (later *mote*) may, be permitted to, cf. *Du. moet, G muss*]

***mustache**. See *MOUSTACHE*.

musta'chio (-ahshō), *n.* (arch.; pl. ~*s*). Moustache. [(partly *f.* *Sp. mostacho*) *f.* *It. as MOUSTACHE*]

müs'täng, *n.* Wild horse of Mexico & California; ~ (small red Texas) *grape*. [*f.* *Sp. mestengo*, perh. *f.* *mesta* company of graziers]

müs'tard, *n.* Kinds of plant, esp. *black & white* ~, seeds of which are ground, made into paste, & used as condiment or for poultice or ~ *plaster*; (fig.) **zestful thing or person (sl.); grain of ~ seed*, small thing capable of vast development (*Matt. xiii. 31*); || ~ & *ress* (used in seed-leaf for salad); *French ~* (mixed with vinegar); ~ *gas*, kind of liquid poison gas, a powerful irritant & vesicant; ~ *pot* (for table ~). [orig. of the condiment; *f.* *OF moustarde f. com.-Rom. mosto MUST*¹]

müs'ter¹, *n.* Assembling of men for inspection etc. (*pass* ~, be accepted as adequate), assembly, collection; ~ *book*, (for registering military forces); ~ *roll*, official list of officers & men in army or ship's company (also fig.). [*f.* *OF mostre f. L monstrare* show]

müs'ter², *v.t.* & *i.* Collect (orig. soldiers) for inspection, to check numbers, etc.; collect, get together, (t. & i.); summon (courage, strength, etc.; often up). [*f.* *OF mostre f. L as prec.*]

müs'tij, *a.* Mouldy; of mouldy or stale smell or taste; (fig.) stale, antiquated. Hence ~*iness* *n.* [?]

müt'able, *a.* Liable to change; fickle. Hence *mütability n.* [*f.* *L mutabilis* (*mutare* change, see -*BLE*)]

müt'ation, *n.* Change, alteration; (*Biol.*) change resulting in production of new species; (*Mus.*) ~ *stop*, organ stop in

which notes produced are not at normal pitch but at that of some harmonic (other than mere octaves). [F, f. L *mutationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

mutat'is mutān'dis, adv. With due alteration of details (in comparing cases). [L]

|| **mütch**, n. (Sc.). Woman's or child's linen cap. [f. MDu. *mutse*, cf. G *mutze*]

müte¹, a. & n. 1. Silent; not emitting articulate sound; (Law) *stand ~ of malice*, refuse deliberately to plead; (of person or animal) dumb; (of hounds) not giving tongue; not expressed in speech, as ~ *appeal*, *adoration*; temporarily bereft of speech; (of consonant) produced by entire interruption of passage of breath or complete closure of organs of mouth, stopped, (usu. applied to *b p ph d t th k g*); (of letter) not pronounced, as the *e* in *late is* ~. 2. n. ~ consonant; dumb person; actor whose part is in dumb show; dumb servant in Oriental countries; hired mourner; clip for deadening resonance of strings of violin etc., pad for deadening sound of wind instrument. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *muet* f. pop. L ²*mutethus* dim. of L *mutus*]

müte², v.t. Deaden, muffle, the sound of (esp. musical instrument). [f. prec.]

müte³, v.i. & t. (Of birds) void the faeces, discharge thus. [f. OF *muétir* etym. dub.]

müt'iljāte, v.t. Deprive (person etc.) of limb or organ; cut off, destroy the use of, (limb etc.); render (book etc.) imperfect by excision etc. So ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. L *mutilare* (*mutilus* maimed), see -ATE²]

mutineer¹, n. One who mutinies. [f. F *mutinier* (*mutin* rebellious, ult. f. L as MOVE)]

mut'inous, a. Rebellious. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. obs. *mutine* f. F *mutin* (see prec.) + OUS]

mut'ināy, n., & v.i. 1. Open revolt against constituted authority, esp. of soldiers etc. against officers; *Indian M~*, revolt of Bengal native troops, 1857-8; *M~ Act* (dealing with offences against military & naval discipline, now embodied in Army Act, 1881). 2. v.i. Revolt (*against* or *abs.*). [vb f. n.] as prec. + -Y¹]

mut'ism, n. Muteness; silence; dumbness. [f. F *mutisme* f. L as MUTE¹, see -ISM]

müt'o, comb. form (irreg.) of L *mutare* change, as: ~graph, apparatus for taking series of photographs of moving objects, (v.t.) portray with this; ~scope, apparatus for exhibiting scene recorded by ~graph, so ~scop'ic a.

mütt, n. (sl.). Ignorant blunderer, dunder-head; small dog (derog.). [perh. abbr. of *mutton-head*]

mütt'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak low in barely audible manner; murmur, grumble, (*against*, *at*); utter (words etc.) in low

tone; (fig.) say in secret. 2. n. ~ing, ~ed words. [prob. imit., w. suf. -ER¹]

müt't'on, n. Flesh of sheep as food; (joc.) sheep (*to our ~s*, galliolum—let us come back to our subject); *dead as ~*, quite dead; *eat one's ~*, dine with; ~ chop, piece of ~ (usu. rib & half vertebra to which it is attached) for frying etc., side whisker shaped like this; ~ *dressed like lamb* (colloq.), elderly woman got up to look young; ~head (colloq.), dull, stupid person. Hence ~Y² a. [f. OF *moton* f. med. L *multonem* nom. -to, cf. OIr. *mōt ram*]

müt'ual, a. (Of feelings, actions, etc.) felt, done, by each to (wards) the other, as ~ affection, *benefit*, *suspicion*; standing in (specified) ~ relation, as ~ *well-wishers*; ~ *admiration society*, set of persons who overestimate each other's merits; ~ *insurance company* (in which some or all of the profits are divided among the policy-holders); (Commerc.) ~ *terms* (by which exchange of services takes the place of money payments); (improp.) common to two or more persons, as *our ~ friend*. Hence **müt'ual'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. F *mutuel* f. L *mutuus* borrowed (cf. *mutare* change), see -AL]

müt'ual'ism, n. Doctrine that mutual dependence is necessary to well-being. So ~IST n. [-ISM]

müt'üle, n. (archit.). Modillion proper to cornice in Doric order. [F, f. L *mutulus*]

muzhik. See МОУЖИК.

|| **müzz**, v.t. (sl.). Make muzzy. [?]

müz'zle¹, n. Projecting part of animal's head including nose & mouth; open end of fire-arm; contrivance of strap or wire put over animal's head to prevent its biting, eating, etc.; ~loader, gun that is loaded at the ~. [f. OF *musel* f. med. L *musellum* dim. of *musus*]

müz'zle², v.t. Put muzzle on (animal, its mouth, &, fig., a person); impose silence upon; take in (sail). [f. prec.]

müzz'ly, a. Dull, spiritless; stupid from drinking. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [?]

my (mi, mī), poss. adj. of 1st pers. sing. (with abs. form *mine*); (prefixed to some terms of address) *my boy*, *friend*, *man*, *son*, *daughter*, (not colloq. w. other terms of relationship), *dear*, *darling*, *love*; *my* (vulg. *mine*) & *her* (common) *father*, *my* (vulg. *mine*) & *her* (respective) *father(s)*; (in ejaculations) *my!* *my eye!*, etc. [ME *mi*, reduced f. OE *mīn* *mine*]

mýal'gia[-ja], n. (path.). Muscular rheumatism. [Gk *mus* muscle, *algos* pain, -IA¹]

mý'alism, n. Kind of sorcery practised esp. in W. Indies. [prob. of W.-Afr. orig.]

mý'all, n. Austral. acacia, with scented wood used for pipes. [f. native *ma'at*]

mýcél'lum, n. (bot.). Spawn of fungi. Hence ~AL a. [f. Gk *mykē* mushroom + Latin ending]

Mycenae'an, *a.* (archaeol.). Of the pre-hellenic or Achaean culture illustrated by remains at Mycenae in Greece, & by Homer. [f. *L* f. Gk *Mukēnaos* + *-AN*]

mycētōm'a, *n.* Fungoid disease of foot or hand. [as MYCELUM, see -M]

mycōl'og'y, *n.* Study of fungi. So ~IST *n.* [irreg. f. Gk as prec., see -LOGY]

mycōs'is, *n.* Presence of, disease caused by, parasitic fungi. [as prec., see -OSIS]

myelīt'is, *n.* Inflammation of spinal cord. [f. Gk *myelos* marrow, see -ITIS]

myl'odōn, *n.* Extinct genus of gigantic sloths with cylindrical teeth. [f. Gk *mulē* mill + *odous* -ontos tooth]

myna. -MINA².

myñheer', *n.* Dutchman. [f. Du. *myñheer* Mr, sir, (*myñ* my + *heer* master)]

myō- in comb. = Gk *mys* *mus* muscle, as: ~card'ium, muscular substance of heart, whence ~cardit'is; *myōl'ogy*, science of muscles.

myōpe, *n.* Short-sighted person. Hence or cogn. *myōp'ia*¹, *myōpy'*, *nn.*, *myōp'ic* *a.* [f. *L* f. Gk *myōps* (*myō* shut + *ops* eye)]

myōs'is, *n.* Contraction of pupil of eye. So *myōr'ic* *a.* [f. Gk *myō* shut, see -OSIS]

myōsōte, *n.* Forget-me-not. [f. foll.]

myōsōt'is, *n.* Genus of small plants with blue, pink, or white flowers. [f. Gk *myōsōtis* (*mys* *mus* mouse + *ous* *ōtos* ear)]

my'riad, *a.* & *n.* (poet., rhet.). Ten thousand; (of) indefinitely great number. [f. *LL* f. Gk *myrias* -ados (*myrioi* 10,000)]

my'riapōd, *a.* & *n.* (Animal) with many legs, of the class comprising centipedes & millepedes. [as prec. + Gk *pous* *podos* foot]

my'rīora'ma (-rah-, -rā-), *n.* Entertainment consisting of series of views. [f. Gk *myrios* countless + *hōrama* view (*hōraō* see)]

myrm'idon (mēr-), *n.* (*M*~) any of a warlike Thessalian race who followed Achilles; hired ruffian; base servant, as ~ of the law, policeman, bailiff, etc. [f. *L* f. Gk *Myrmidones* pl.]

myrōb'alan, *n.* Astringent plum-like fruit used in dyeing, tanning, etc. [f. *L* *myrobalanum* f. Gk *myrobalanos* (*myron* unguent + *balanos* acorn)]

myrrh' (mēr-), *n.* Gum resin used in perfume & medicine, & in incense. Hence ~IC, ~Y¹, *aa.* [OE *myrra*, f. *L* f. Gk *myrra*]

myrrh' (mēr-), *n.* Sweet Cicely, an aromatic plant. [f. *LL* f. Gk *myrris*]

myr'tle (mēr-), *n.* Genus of plants, esp. Common *M*~, shrub with shiny evergreen leaves & white scented flowers, sacred to Venus. So *myrta'*ceous (*mértá'shus*) *a.*, of family *Myrtaceae* (~ etc.). [f. OF *myrtille*, dim. f. *L* f. Gk *myrtos*]

my'sēl', *pron.* Emphatic & reflexive form corresp. to *I*, as *I saw* & ~, *I* ~ (for my part) - am doubtful, *I have hurt* & ~, *I am* 'not ~ (in my normal state of body or

mind). [f. ME + SELF; *my-* perh. on anal. of herself]

mys'tagogue (-ōg), *n.* Teacher of mystical doctrines, esp. (Gk Ant.) to candidates for initiation in Eleusinian & other mysteries. So *mys'tagō'gic*(AL) *aa.* [f. *L* f. Gk *mustagōgos* (*mustēs* one initiated into mysteries, f. *muō* close eyes or lips, + *-agōgos* -leading f. *agō* lead)]

mys'tēr'ious, *a.* Full of, wrapt in, mystery; (of persons) delighting in mystery. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. foll. + -OUS]

mys'ter'y¹, *n.* Hidden or inexplicable matter; make a ~ of, treat as a secret; secrecy, obscurity, as is wrapt in ~; (practice of) making a secret of (unimportant) things; religious truth divinely revealed, esp. one beyond human reason; religious rite, esp. (pl.) Eucharist; (pl.) secret religious rites of Greeks, Romans, etc.; miracle-play; ~ship, warship disguised as tramp steamer etc. to decoy submarines in the 1914-18 war. [f. OF *mistere* f. *L* f. Gk *mysterion* (*muō* close lips or eyes)]

|| **mys'ter'y**², *n.* (arch.). Handicraft, trade, esp. (in indentures) *art* & ~. [f. med. *L* *mi(n)isterium* (MINISTER), confused w. *pre*.]

mys'tic, *a.* & *n.* 1. Spiritually allegorical; occult, esoteric; of hidden meaning, mysterious; mysterious & awe-inspiring. 2. *n.* One who seeks by contemplation & self-surrender to obtain union with or absorption into the Deity, or who believes in spiritual apprehension of truths beyond the understanding, whence ~ISM *n.* (often derog.). Hence ~AL *a.*, ~ALLY² *adv.*, ~IZE(3) *v.t.* [f. OF *mystique* f. *L* f. Gk *mystikos* (as MYSTERY¹, -IO)]

mys'tify, *v.t.* Hoax, play on credulity of; bewilder; wrap up in mystery. So ~FICA² TION *n.* [f. F *mystifier* (irreg. as prec., -FY)]

myth (or *mi*-), *n.* Purely fictitious narrative usu. involving supernatural persons etc. & embodying popular ideas on natural phenomena etc.; fictitious person or thing. Hence *myth'ic*(AL) *aa.*, *myth'ical'y*² *adv.* [f. Gk *mythos*]

myth'ic'ize, *v.t.* Treat (story etc.) as a myth, interpret mythically. So ~ISM, ~IST, *nn.* [MYTHIC + -IZE]

mytho- in comb. = Gk *mythos* myth, as: ~grapher (-ōg²), writer of myths; ~graphy (-ōg²), representation of myths in plastic art; ~poet (-pō'tik), ~poet'ic, making, productive of, myths; ~po'et, ~po'etry, poetical writer, writing, of myths.

mythōl'og'y (or *mi*-), *n.* Body of myths, esp. relating to particular person or subject; study of myths. Hence or cogn. ~ER¹, ~IST, *nn.*, *mythōlō'gic*(AL) *aa.*, *mythōlō'gical'y*² *adv.*, ~ISM(2, 3) *v.t.* & *i.* [f. Gk *mythologia* (see prec., & -log²)]

myth'us, *n.* Myth. [mod. *L*, as MYTH]

myxoedém'a (-ed-), *n.* A metabolic disease caused by sluggish working or atrophy of the thyroid gland, & characterized by thickening of the subcutaneous tissues & loss of physical & mental energy. [*f.* Gk *músa* mucus + *ODEMA*]

N

N (én), letter (pl. *Ns*, *N's*). (Print.) *n* (also *en*) unit of measurement; (Math.) indefinite number (*to the nth*, to any required power, also *fig.* to any extent, to the utmost); *N-rays*, *N¹-rays*, forms of radiation.

náb, *v.t.* (sl.; -bb-). Apprehend, arrest; catch in wrong-doing. [†]

náb'ób, *n.* (Hist.) Mohammedan official or governor under Mogul empire; (arch.) wealthy luxurious person, esp. one returned from India with fortune. [= *NAWAB*]

Náb'óth's vine'yard (-ny-), *n.* Possession that one will stick at nothing to secure. [see 1 *KINGS* xxi]

nác'arát, *n.* Bright orange-red colour. [*F.* perh. *f.* Sp. & Port. *nacarado* (*NACRE*)]

nacé'ille, *n.* Outer casing of aeroplane's engine; car of airship. [*F.* *f.* LL *navicella* dim. of *L navis* ship]

nác're (-ker), *n.* Pinna or sea-pen; (shell-fish yielding) mother of pearl. Hence **nác'reous**, **nác'rous**, *aa.* [*F.* = Sp. & Port. *nacar*, etym. dub.]

nád'ir, *n.* Point of heavens directly under observer (opp. *ZENITH*); (transf.) lowest point, place or time of greatest depression etc. [*f.* Arab. *naḡir* (*as-samī*) opposite to (*zenith*)]

nág¹, *n.* Small riding horse or pony; horse (colloq.). [†]

nág², *v.i.* & *t.* (-gg-). Find fault or scold (intr.) persistently (*at* person); annoy thus. Hence **~g'ine**² (-g-) *n.* [*cf.* Norw. & Sw. *nagga* gnaw]

naga'na (-ahna), *n.* (S. Africa). Tssetse-fly disease. [Zulu *nakane*]

nág'ór, *n.* Senegal antelope. [wd made by Buffon]

nai'ad (ni-), *n.* (pl. *~s*, *~es* pr. -éz). Water-nymph. [*f.* *L f.* Gk *naias* -ados (*naō* flow)]

naif (nah-éf'), *a.* (rare). -*NAIVE*. [*F*]

nail¹, *n.* 1. Horny covering of outer tip of finger & upper tip of toe (*~brush*, *~scissors*, for cleaning & paring *~s*; *roots & ~*), whence **~ED**¹ (-ld) *a.*; claw, talon; hard excretion on some soft-billed birds' upper mandible. 2. Small metal spike usu. with point & broadened head driven in with hammer to hold things together or as peg or ornament (*hit ~*, or *right ~*, on head, give true explanation, propose or do right thing, hit the mark; *~ in one's coffin*; on the *~*, without delay, esp. of payment; *hard as ~s*, in fine training; *right as ~s*, quite right); *~*

head, architectural ornament. 3. An old measure of length (2½ in.). Hence **~LESS** *a.* [OE *nael* cf. Du. & G *nael*, cogn. w. *L unguis*, Gk *onux*]

nail², *v.t.* Fasten with nails (*on*, *to*, *together*, *down*, *in*, etc.); *~ colours to mast*, persist; *~ to counter*, *barndoor*, expose as spurious, vile; *~ up*, close, affix at height, with nails; *~ed-up drama*, ill-constructed, loosely put together); fix or keep fixed (person, attention, etc.); secure, catch, engage, succeed in getting hold of, (person or thing). [OE *naeglan* cf. prec.]

nail'er, *n.* Nail-maker, whence **nail'ery** (S) *n.*; (sl.) excellent specimen, person very skilful *at*. [-ER¹]

nail'ing, *a.* In vbl senses; also (sl.) splendid, excellent (*a ~*, or *~ good*, *race*). [-ING²]

nain'sók, *n.* Fine cotton fabric, orig. Indian. [*f.* Hind. *nainsukh* (*nain* eye, *sukh* pleasure)]

naive (nah-év'), *naive* (nāv), *a.* Artless, unaffected; amusingly simple. Hence **naive'ly**¹, **naive'ly**, (-vl-), *adv.*, **naiveté** (nah-év'té), **naivety** (nah-év'ti), **naiv'ety**, *n.* [*F*, fem. of *naif* *f.* *L natiuus NATIVE*]

nāk'éd, *a.* Unclothed, nude, (*as ~ as my mother bore me*); defenceless; unshathed; plain, undisguised, (*the ~ truth*; *~ facts*; *in its ~ absurdity*), exposed for examination (*his ~ heart*); devoid of; treeless, leafless, barren; (of rock) exposed; (of rooms) unfurnished; without ornament; (of candles etc.) exposed to air; without pericarp, leaves, hairs, scales, shell, etc.; without addition, comment, support, evidence, etc. (*~ faith*, *quotations*, *word*, *assertion*); unassisted *~ eye*, without telescope etc.); *N~ Lady*, *N~ Boys*, meadow saffron. Hence **~LY**¹ *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.* (*the ~ness of the land*, person's or institution's or State's lack of resources or openness to attack, see *Gen.* xiii. 9). [OE *nacod*, *necod*, cf. Du. *naakt*, G *nackt*, cogn. w. *L nudus*]

nāk'er, *n.* (hist.). Kettledrum. [*f.* OF *nacre*, *f.* Arab. & Pers. *naqdra(h)*]

nām'bý-pám'bý, *a.* & *n.* 1. Insipidly pretty, mildly sentimental. 2. *n.* Talk of this kind. [formed on name of Ambrose Phillips, pastoral writer, d. 1749]

name¹, *n.* 1. Word by which individual person, animal, place, or thing, is spoken of or to (*mention person by ~*; *Tom by ~*, *by ~ Tom*, called; *know by ~*, individually, also by hearsay only; *of or by the ~ of*, called; *put one's ~ down* for, apply as candidate etc.; *keep one's ~ on*, *take one's ~ off*, the books, remain, cease to be, member of college, club, etc.). 2. Word denoting any object of thought, esp. one applicable to many individuals (*call person ~s*, describe him by uncomplimentary *~s*; *give it a ~*, colloq., mention the drink, present, etc., that you wish). 3. Person as known, famed, or spoken of (*adore the ~ of God*; *Nelson himself &*

many great ~s were there). 4. All who go under one ~, family, clan, people. 5. Reputation (has an ill, a good, ~; has a ~ for honesty, the ~ of being honest; win oneself a ~; bequeath a great ~; persons of ~; one's good ~). 6. Merely nominal existence, practically non-existent thing, (opp. fact, reality, deed; virtuous in ~; honour had become a ~). 7. In person's ~, in the ~ of, invoking, relying upon, calling to witness, (in God's ~; in the ~ of goodness, fortune, common sense), acting as deputy for or in the interest of (in one's own ~, independently, without authority); ~child, one named after another (my etc. ~child); ~day, day of saint after whom person is named (esp. of continental sovereigns); ~part, that after which play is named, title-role; ~sake (~ms-), person or thing with same ~ as another (his etc. ~sake) [prob. f. phr. for the ~s sake]. [Aryan; OE *nama*, cf. Du. *naem*, G *name*, Skr. *naman*, L *nomen*, Gk *onoma*]

name', v.t. Give name to (after, from), call so-&-so; call (person, thing) by right name; nominate, appoint (to office etc.); mention, specify, (not to be ~d on or in same day with, quite inferior to; ~ your price); || (of Speaker) mention (M.P.) as disobedient to Chair (~!, vb or n., appeal to do this, or to give name of some person alluded to in speech); cite as instance; specify as something desired (~ the day, of woman fixing date for wedding). Hence **nam'ABLE** a. [OE (*ge*)*namian* as prec.]

name'less (-ml-), a. Obscure, inglorious; not mentioned by name, left unnamed on purpose (esp. *who shall be ~*); anonymous, unknown; having no name, bearing no name-inscription; inexpressible, indefinable; too bad to be named, abominable, loathsome, (esp. ~ vices). [-LESS]

name'ly (-ml-), adv. That is to say, viz. [NAME', -LY']

|| **nammet**. Var. of **NUMMET**.

nan'cy, n. & a. (sl.). Effeminate (man or boy); homosexual. [pet-form of female name *Ann*]

nankeen', n. Kind of cotton cloth orig. made of naturally yellow cotton; (pl.) trousers of this; yellow or pale buff colour. [f. *Nankin*(g) in China]

nan'ny, n. ~ (-goat), she-goat (cf. **BILLY**); child's nurse. (f. the female name)

|| **Nantz**, n. (arch.). Brandy (often right ~). [f. *Nantes* in France]

nap', v.i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Sleep lightly or briefly (catch ~ping, find asleep, take unawares, detect in negligence or error). 2. n. Short sleep, doze, esp. by day (often take ~s). [n. f. vb, OE *knappian*, cf. Gk (*h*)*nappē*-]

nap', a. & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Surface given to cloth by raising & then cutting & smoothing the short fibres, pile, whence ~LESS

a.; soft or downy surface. 2. v.t. Raise ~ on (cloth). [f. MDu. or MLG *noppē*(n)]

nap', n. A card-game (~ hand, fig., position that justifies confident expectation of winning if one takes a risk; go ~, risk attempting highest form of win in ~, also fig.); (Betting) the putting of all one's money on one chance, a tipster's choice for this. [abbr. of *Napoleon*]

napē, n. Back of or usu. of neck. [?]

nap'er'y, n. (So. & arch.). Household, esp. table, linen. [f. obs. F *naperie* (NAPKIN, -ERY)]

nap'h'tha, n. Kinds of inflammable oil got by dry distillation of organic substances, as coal, shale, or petroleum. [L, f. Gk, = inflammable volatile liquid issuing from earth]

nap'h'thal'ēne, -ine, n. White crystalline substance got in distilling coal-tar & used in manufacture of dyes etc. Hence ~IZ(5) v.t. [prec. + -I- + -ENE, -INE']

nap'kin, n. (Also *table* ~) square piece of linen for wiping lips or fingers with at meals, or serving fish etc. on; small towel esp. for nursery purposes, baby's diaper; lay up etc. in a ~, make no use of (*Luke* xix. 20); ~ring, to distinguish person's table ~. [prob. f. F *nappe* f. L *mappa* table-cloth + -KIN]

napōl'ēon, n. French gold twenty-franc piece of Napoleon I (double ~, forty-franc piece); kind of top-boot; the game NAP'. [f. name of French emperor]

Napōlēōn' [ic, a. Of, like, etc., Napoleon I. Hence or cogn. ~ICALLY' adv., **Napōlēōnism**(3), **Napōlēōnism**(2), nn., **Napōlēōnize**(4) v.t. & i. [as prec., -IO]

|| **napōē** (nah-), int. (obs. army sl.). Vanished!, lost!, done!, finished!, no go! [f. F (*il n'y en a plus* there is no more of it)]

nap'p'y', a. (arch.). (Of ale etc.) foaming, heady, strong. [perh. f. NAP', -Y']

|| **nap'p'y'**, n. (colloq.). Baby's napkin. [abbr.; see -Y']

napu (nah'pōō), n. Musk-deer of Java & Sumatra. [Malay]

nar'celne, n. Alkaloid got from opium occas. used instead of morphine. [f. Gk. *narkē* numbness + -INE']

nar'ciss'ism, n. (psycho-anal.). Tendency to self-worship, absorption in one's own personal perfections. Hence ~is'tic a. [Gk *Narkissos* youth who fell in love with his reflection in water, -ISM]

nar'ciss'us, n. (pl. ~uses, -i). Kinds of bulbous plant, esp. one bearing heavily scented single white flower with undivided corona edged with crimson & yellow. [L, f. Gk *narkissos* perh. as NARCEINE w. ref. to narcotic effect]

nar'cōlēps'y, n. Disease with fits of somnolence. [f. Gk *narkē* numbness + (EPI)LEPSY]

nar'cōs'is, n. Operation or effects of narcotics; state of insensibility. [f. Gk *narkōsis* (narkōs benumb)]

nārcōt'ic, a. & n. (Substance) inducing drowsiness, sleep, stupor, or insensibility; (fig.) soporific (a. & n.); of narcosis. Hence ~ICALLY adv., **nārc'otize** (3, 5) v.t., **nārcotizā'tion**, **nārc'otism** (5), **nārc'otist** (2), nn. [f. Gk *narkōtikos* (prec., -ic)]

nārd, n. (Plant yielding) aromatic balsam of ancients. [f. L f. Gk *nardos* f. Oriental wd]

nārg'hile (-gīlō), n. Oriental tobacco-pipe with smoke passed through water, hookah. [f. Pers. *nargīleh* (*nargil* coconut)]

nārk, n. (sl.). Police decoy or spy. [Romanian *nak* nose]

narrā'te, v.t. Relate, recount, give continuous account of, (abs.) utter or write narrative. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~āt'or², ~āt'ress¹, nn. [f. L *narrare* perh. f. *gnarus* aware, cogn. w. KNOW, -ATE²]

nārrative, n. & a. 1. Tale, story, recital of facts; kind of composition or talk that confines itself to these. 2. adj. In the form of, concerned with, narration, whence ~LY² adv. [f. L *narrativus* a. (prec., -IVE)]

nā'rrow (-ō), a. (~er, ~est) & n., & v.i. & t. 1. Of small width in proportion to length, wanting in breadth, constricted, (*the ~ way*, righteousness, see *Matt. vii. 14*; ~ vowels, made with tongue & uvula tense); of small size, confined or confining, (*the ~ bed*, cell, house, grave; *within ~ bounds* etc.); of limited scope, restricted, (*in the ~est sense*; ~ circumstances, poverty); with little margin (*a ~ majority*, escape); lacking in breadth of view or sympathy, illiberal, prejudiced, exclusive, self-centred, whence ~-mind'ed² a., ~-mind'edly² adv., ~-mind'edness² n.; searching, precise, exact, (*after a ~ examination*); ~ cloth, under 52 in., of single width usu. about a yard; ~ goods, ribbons, braid, etc.; ~ GAUGE on railway, any of less than 4ft 8½ in. (formerly, the gauge of 4ft 8½ in.); || ~ seas, English & Irish channels; hence ~ISH¹ (-ōl-) a., ~LY² (-ōl-) adv., ~NESS (-ōn-) n. 2. n. (usu. pl.). ~ part of a sound, strait, river, pass, or street. 3. vb. Make or become ~er, diminish, lessen, contract. [OE *nearu*, cf. Du. *naar* dismal]

nār'thēx, n. Railed-off western portico or ante-nave in early Christian churches for women, penitents, & catechumens. [Gk (-ēx), orig. name of a plant = FBEULA]

nār'whal (-wal), n. Arctic delphinoid cetacean with straight horn(s) developed from one or both of its two teeth. [f. Da. *narhval* cf. ON *náhválr* (perh. *nd-r* corpse w. allusion to its colour, WHALE)]

nās'al (-z), a. & n. 1. Of the nose (~organ, joc., nose). 2. (Of letters or sounds) requiring the nose passage to be open (n., such a letter etc., e.g. *m*, *n*, *ng*), of voice (or speech) having the twang described as speaking through the nose, whence

~IZE (2, 3) v.i. & t., ~IZA'TION n., (-z). Hence **nasal'ity** n., ~LY² adv., (-z). [f. med. L *nasalis* (L *nasus* nose, -AL)]

nās'cent, a. In the act of being born, just beginning to be, not yet mature. So **nās'cency** n. [f. L *nasci* be born, -ENT]

nāse'berry (-zb-), n. W.-Ind. tree yielding Sapodilla plum. [f. Sp., Port., *néspera* medlar]

nās'o- (-z), comb. form of L *nasus* nose, as ~fron'tal of nose & forehead.

nasūt'ium (-shm), n. (Bot.) genus of pungent-tasted cruciferous plants including watercress; trailing garden plant with bright orange flowers, Indian cress. [L, derived by Pliny f. *nasus* nose, *torguere* tort- pain]

nas'tily (nah-), a. Disgustingly dirty, filthy; obscene, delighting in obscenity; disagreeable to smell or taste, unpalatable lit. & fig., annoying, objectionable; (of weather etc.) foul, wet, stormy; hard to deal with or get rid of, serious, (*a ~y sea*, fence, blow, illness; *a ~y one*, rebuff, snub, disabling blow, etc.); ill-natured, spiteful to. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [from 1400; etym. dub.; cf. Du. *nestig* dirty]

nāt'al, a. Of, from, one's birth. [f. L *natalis* (NATION, -AL)]

natāl'ity, n. Birth-rate. [F (-té), as prec., -TY]

natā'tion, n. Swimming. [f. L *natatio* (nature swim, -ATION)]

natatōr'ial, **nat'atory**, aa. Swimming, of swimming. [LL *natatorius* (prec.), -ORY, -AL]

nāt'ēs (-z), n. pl. (anat.). Buttocks; anterior pair of optic lobes in brain. [L]

nāth(e)l'ess (-thl-), adv. (arch.). Nevertheless. [f. OE *nd* (ne not, *d* ever) + *THE* + *LESS*]

nā'tion, n. Distinct race or people having common descent, language, history, or political institutions (*most favoured ~*, to which State accords lowest scale of import duties); || (in medieval & some Scots univv.) body of students from particular country or district; LAW of ~s; LEAGUE² of N~s; UNITED N~s. Hence ~HOOD n. [F, f. L *nationem* nom. -o (*nasci* nat- be born, -ION)]

nā'tional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Of a or the nation, common to the whole nation; peculiar to or characteristic of a particular nation; ~ anthem, 'God save the King' & corresponding hymns of other peoples; ~ DEBT; || N~ Gallery, || N~ Portrait Gallery, buildings in London in which pictures, portraits, owned by the nation are permanently exhibited; N~ INSURANCE; || N~ Liberal Club, club in close connexion with the Liberal party (cf. CARLTON); N~ Socialist, NAST; || N~ Society, founded 1811 to promote education of the poor; || Grand N~ (Steeplechase), chief steeplechase of year, at

Aintree in March. 2. n. pl. (diplom.). One's fellow countrymen (*consul's powers over his own ~s*). Hence ~LY² adv. [F (prec., -AL)]

nā'tionalism (-sho-), n. Patriotic feeling, principles, or efforts; policy of national independence; policy of nationalizing industry. So ~ISM(2) n. [-ISM]

nā'tional'ity (-sho-), n. Being national, national quality; patriotic sentiment; one's nation (*what is his ~y?*); a nation (*men of all ~ies*); existence as a nation; race forming part of one or more political nations. [-ITY]

nā'tionalizē (-sho-), v.t. Make national; make into a nation; naturalize (foreigner); convert (land, railways, coal-mines, etc.) into national property or undertakings. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

nā'tive¹, n. 1. One born, or whose parents are domiciled, in a place (*of*); (Austral.) white born in Australia. 2. Member of non-European or uncivilized race. 3. Indigenous animal or plant; oyster reared wholly or partly in British waters, esp. in artificial beds. [f. med. L *nativus* n. (L *nativus* n., see foll.)]

nā'tive², a. 1. Belonging to a person or thing by nature, innate, inherent, natural to, whence ~LY² adv. 2. Unadorned, simple, artless. 3. Of one's birth, where one was born; belonging to one by right of birth. 4. (Of metals etc.) found in pure or uncombined state (~ rock, in its original place). 5. Born in a place (esp. of non-Europeans), indigenous, not exotic; of the natives of a place; *the N~ States*, territories ruled by the Indian Princes. [f. L *nativus* (NATION, -IVR)]

nā'tivism, n. (philos.). Doctrine of innate ideas. So ~ISM(2) n. [-ISM]

nativ'ity, n. Birth of Christ, the Virgin, or St John Baptist; picture of the N~ of Christ; festival of Christ's N~, Christmas, or of birth of Virgin (8 Sept.) or St John (24 June); birth; (Astrol.) horoscope. [f. F *nativité* f. L *nativitatem* (NATIVE, -TY)]

nā'tron, n. Native SESQUICARBONATE of soda. [F f. Sp., f. Arab. *natrun* f. Gk *nitron* NITRE]

|| **nā't'erjäck**, n. British species of toad with yellow stripe down back. [?]

nā't'ier blue (-ōō), n. Soft shade of blue, much used by the French painter J. M. Nattier (d. 1766).

nā'tt'ly, a. Spruce, trim, daintily tidy; deft-handed; showing deftness. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [?]

nā'tural (-cher-), a. & n. 1. Based on the innate moral sense, instinctive, (~ law, justice). 2. Constituted by nature (~ DAY, year). 3. (mus.). ~ note or key, not sharp or flat, so B ~, F ~, etc.; ~ scale, having no sharps or flats, i.e. C major. 4. (sol.). ~ classification, (now ~~used~~ ^{used} with abbr. N.O., etc., esp. in Syst. of Jussieu's arrangement of species

according to likeness as opp. Linnaeus's sexual system. 5. Normal, conformable to the ordinary course of nature, not exceptional or miraculous or irregular, (~ magic; ~ death, by age or disease, not accident, poison, or violence). 6. Not enlightened or communicated by revelation (*the ~ man*; ~ religion, theology). 7. Physically existing, not spiritual or intellectual or fictitious, concerned with physical things, (*the ~ world*; one's ~ life, duration of one's life on earth; ~ law). 8. Existing in or by nature, not artificial, innate, inherent, self-sown, undisciplined. 9. Lifelike; unaffected, easy-mannered, not disguised or disguised. 10. Not surprising, to be expected. 11. Consonant or easy to (*comes ~ to him*). 12. Destined to be such by nature (~ enemies, anti-thesis). 13. So related by nature only, illegitimate, (~ son, child, brother, etc.). 14. Dealing with nature as a study (~ history, study of animal life, esp. as set forth for popular use, also aggregate of facts about the ~ objects or the characteristics of a place or class; ~ historian, writer on ~ history; ~ philosophy, physics; ~ philosopher, physicist; ~ science). 15. ~born, having the character or position by birth. Hence ~NESS n. 16. n. Person half-witted from birth. 17. (mus.). ~ note, white key in piano. 18. Hand making 21 as first dealt in vingt-et-un. [f. L *naturalis* (NATURE, -AL)]

nā'turalism (-cher-), n. Action based on natural instincts; moral or religious system on purely natural basis; (Philos.) view of the world that excludes the supernatural or spiritual; realistic method, adherence to nature, in literature & art; indifference to conventions. [prec., -ISM]

nā'turalist (-cher-), n. & a. 1. One who believes in or practises naturalism; student of animals or plants; || (shop) dealer in cage animals, dogs, etc.; || (shop) taxidermist. 2. adj.=foll. [-IST]

nā'turalis'tic (-cher-), a. Of, according to, naturalism; of natural history. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [-IC]

nā'turalizē (-cher-), v.t. & i. Admit (alien) to citizenship; adopt (foreign word, custom, etc.); introduce (animal, plant) into another country; become ~ed; free from conventions, make natural; free from the miraculous, place on naturalistic basis; pursue natural history. Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *naturaliser* (NATURAL, -IZE)]

nā'turally (-cher-), adv. In adj. senses; esp., as might be expected, of course. [-LY²]

nā'ture, n. 1. Thing's essential qualities, (*in or by or from the ~ of the case or of things*, inevitably considering these qualities); person's or animal's innate character (whence ~nā'tured² (-cherd) a.; *by ~, innately*; GOOD, ILL, SECOND, ~);

general characteristics & feelings of mankind (often *human* ~; TOUCH² of ~); specified element of human character (*the rational, animal, moral, ~*); person of specified character (*sanguine ~s do not feel this; there are ~s who can never—*).

2. Kind, sort, class, (*things of this ~*; *is in or of the ~ of a command*); (of guns or shot) size (*100 of each ~ of case-shot*). 3. Inherent impulses determining character or action (*against ~*, unnatural, immoral).

4. Vital force or functions or needs (*~ is exhausted; such a diet will not support ~*; *case ~*, evacuate bowels or bladder).

5. Resin or sap in wood (esp. *full of ~*, still resinous).

6. Physical power causing phenomena of material world, these phenomena as a whole, (*N~*, these personified; *N~'s engineering*; *all ~ looks gay*; *N~ is the best physician*; *LAW¹ of ~*; *in the course of ~*, in the ordinary course; *debt of ~*, death; *in ~*, actually existing, also anywhere, at all; *against or contrary to ~*, miraculous, miraculously).

7. Naturalness or fidelity in art. 8. *State of ~*, unregenerate condition (opp. *state of GRACE¹*), condition of man before society is organized, uncultivated or undomesticated state of plants or animals, bodily nakedness. 9. *~printing*, method of producing print of leaves etc. by pressing them on prepared plate; *~ study* (as school subject), practical study of plant & animal life, physical phenomena, etc. [*F*, *f*. *L natura (nasci nat- be born, -URE)*]

naught (nawt), n. & pred. a. (arch.). 1. Nothing, nought, (*set at ~*, or *NOUGHT*); (Arith.) cipher, nought. 2. adj. Worthless, useless. [*OE nāwukt (nd see NATHLESS, WIGHT)*]

naught [ȳ (nawt-), a. (used of, to, or by children, or in imit. of childish speech). Wayward, disobedient, badly behaved; wicked, blameworthy, indecent. Hence *~LY² adv.*, *~INESS n.* [prec., -Y²]

naus'ea, n. Feeling of sickness; sea-sickness; loathing. [*L*, *f*. *Gk nausia (naus ship)*]

naus'eat [e, v.t. & i. Reject (food, or fig.) with loathing; affect with nausea, whence *~ING² a.*; feel sick (*at*), loathe food, occupation, etc. [*f*. *L nauseare* (prec.), -ATE²]

naus'eous, a. Causing nausea; offensive to taste or smell, nasty; disgusting, loathsome. Hence *~LY² adv.*, *~NESS n.* [*NAUSEA, -OUS*]

nautch, n. E.-Indian exhibition of professional dancing-girls (*~girl*, one of these). [*f*. *Hind. natch*]

naut'ical, a. Of sailors or navigation, naval, maritime; *~ almanac*, year-book containing astronomical & tidal information for navigators etc. Hence *~LY² adv.* [*L*, *f*. *Gk nauēikos (nauēis sailor f. naus ship)*, -AL¹]

naut'illus, n. (pl. *-luses, -li*). *Paper ~*, small cephalopod of which the female has very thin shell & webbed sail-like arms; *pearly ~*, cephalopod with chambered shell having nacreous septa. [*f*. *L* *f*. *Gk nauētilos sailor* (prec.)]

nāv'al, a. Of, in, for, etc., ships or (usu.) the or a navy (*~ stores*, all materials used in shipping; *~ officer*, in navy); fought, won, etc., by or consisting of or based on ships of war; || *N~ Aviation*, aviation service of Royal Navy. Hence *~LY² adv.* [*f*. *L navalis* (*navis ship, -AL*)]

nāve¹, n. Central block of wheel holding axle & spokes, hub. [*OE nafu*, cf. *Du. naaf*, *G nabe*, & see *NAVEL*]

nāve², n. Body of church from inner door to chancel or choir, usu. separated by pillars from aisles. [*f*. *L navis ship*]

nāv'el, n. Depression in front of belly left by severance of umbilical cord; central point of anything; *~ orange*, large orange with ~-like formation at top; *~ string*, structure connecting foetus & placenta, umbilical cord; *~ wort*, kinds of plant. [*OE nafela*, cf. *Du. navel*, *G nobel*, derivatives of st. of *NAVE¹*, cogn. w. *Skr. nabhila*, *Gk omphalos*]

nāv'icert, n. Certificate that ship's cargo does not contravene war contraband regulations; commercial passport for a particular consignment. [*f*. *L navis ship* + *CERTIFICATE*]

navic'ular, a. & n. Boat-shaped (of shrines, & of parts of plants or body; esp. *~ bone* in hand or usu. foot; *~ disease*, or *~* as noun, disease in horse's ~ bone). [*f*. *LL navicularis* (*L navicula* dim. of *navis ship, -AR¹*)]

nāv'igable, a. (Of river, sea, etc.) affording passage for ships; seaworthy (*in ~ble condition*); (of balloon) steerable, dirigible. Hence *~BL'ITY n.* [*f*. *L navigabilis* (foll., -ABLE)]

nāv'igāte, v.i. & t. Voyage, sail ship; sail over or up or down (sea, river); manage, direct course of, (ship or aircraft). [*f*. *L navigare* (*navis ship, agere drive*), -ATE²]

nāv'igā'tion, n. Navigating (*inland ~*, communication by canals & rivers; *aerial ~*, of airship or aeroplane); methods of determining ship's or aircraft's position & course by geometry & nautical astronomy, seamanship; voyage; *~ coal*, steam-coal. [*f*. *L navigatio* (prec., -ATION)]

nāv'igātor, n. One charged with or skilled in navigation; sea explorer; || (now rare) navvy. [*L NAVIGATE, -OR²*]

nāv'v'y, n. || Labourer employed in excavating etc. for canals, railways, roads, etc.; (also *steam-~*) mechanical excavator. [abbr. of prec.]

nāv'y, n. Fleet (post.); whole of State's ships of war with their crews & all the organization for their maintenance; officers & men of ~; || *~ bill*, issued by Admiralty in lieu of cash payment; *~ blue*

n., ~blue a., (of) the dark blue used in naval uniform; || ~cut, cake tobacco finely sliced; ~league, association founded to rouse national interest in ~; ~list, official book with all naval officers' names & other information. [f. OF *navie* fleet (L *navis* ship, -Y¹)]

nawab¹ (-wawb), n. Native governor or nobleman in India; (rare) rich retired Anglo-Indian, nabob. [f. Hind. *nawwab*, orig. pl. f. Arab. *nā'ib* deputy]

may, particle equivalent to negative sentence, & n. 1. =NO⁴ (arub.); why, well, (vaguely introducing comment on another's statement etc.; arch.); or rather, & even, & more than that, (weighty, ~, unanswerable). 2. n. The word ~ (will not take ~, disregards refusals; yea & ~, shilly-shally; say ~, utter denial or usu. refusal, =refuse or contradict, as cannot say him ~). [f. ON *nei* (ne not, ei ever)]

Nāzarēne¹, n. & a. Native of Nazareth; (in Jewish, Moham., use) Christian; member of early Jewish-Christian sect (adj., of this sect). [f. L f. Gk *Nazarēnos* (Nazaret Nazareth)]

Nāz'arite¹, n. & a. Native of Nazareth. [f. L *Nazaracus* f. Gk *Nazaraïos* + -ITE¹(1)]

Nāz'arite², -zir-, n. Hebrew who had taken certain vows of abstinence (*Numb.* vi). [f. L *Nazaracus* f. Heb. *nazir* (nazar separate oneself) + -ITE²(2)]

nāze, n. Promontory, headland, ness. [=NESS]

Nazi (naht'si, nah'zi), n. & a. (Member) of the German National Socialist party; (loosely) German. Hence ~DOM, Na'z(i)-ISM, nn., ~FY v.t. [abbr. of G *Nationalsozialist*]

-nd¹, suf. of nn. & adj. formed f. L gerundive (-andus, -endus, -undus)=(thing) to be treated in such a way, as *deodand*, *reverend*, *dividend*; also in the full L form, as *memorandum*, *agenda*; & an element in ~bund (moribund), ~cund (fecund, rubicund).

-nd², suf. forming nn. as *fiend* (hating). *friend* (loving)=the old part. termination ~and.

neap, a. & n., & v.t. & i. 1. ~'tide' or ~, tide soon after moon's first & third quarters in which high-water level is at lowest. 2. v.b. (Of tides) tend towards ~; (of tide) reach highest point of ~-tide; (pass., of ship) be prevented from getting off by ~ing of tides. [OE *nēphōd* etym. dub.]

Nēapōl'itan, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Naples (~ice, ice-cream made in strata of different colours & flavours, sweetmeat of similar appearance; ~violet, double sweet-scented kind of viola). [f. L *Neapolitanus* (*Neapolites* f. L f. Gk *Neapolis* f. *neos* new, *polis* city, -AN)]

near¹, adv. & prep. (~er, ~est, also as adv. & prepp.). 1. To, at, a short distance, in (to) proximity in space or

time, (far & ~, everywhere; ~ at hand, within easy reach, not far in the future; ~ by, not far off; ~ upon, not far in time from); almost, nearly, not nearly or anything like, (now usu. *nearly*; was ~ dead with fright; lasted ~ a century; so ~ upon; not ~ so numerous); closely (as ~ as one can guess; the ~er it resembles him the less I like it); parsimoniously (lives very ~); go ~ to do, come or go ~ doing, nearly do etc. 2. prep. ~ in space, time, condition, or resemblance, to (comes ~er the end; lies ~ his heart, affects him deeply; the time draws ~ Christmas; sun is ~ setting; hope came ~ fulfilment; who comes ~est him in wit?); (in comb.) resembling, intended as a substitute for, as ~beer. [f. ON *nær* orig. comp. of *nā*=OE *nēah* NIGH]

near², a. (often governing n. in pred. use; so also in comp. & superl.). Closely related (~ relation; is ~ akin to; is ~ me in blood; ~ & dear), intimate (a ~ friend); (of parts of animals or vehicles, or horses etc. in team) left (opp. off; the ~ fore leg, wheel; the ~ wheeler); close at hand, close to, in place or time (also, esp. U.S., ~by; the ~est man; on a ~ day; the man ~ or ~est you; is ~er to, or ~er, us; ~work, that must be done with the eye close to it; the ~ distance, part of scene between background & foreground; the ~ prospect of reward); (of road or way) direct; close, narrow, (a ~ guess, resemblance, translation, race, escape); niggardly: ~ miss, not a hit, but ~ enough to damage target, esp. in bombing; ~sighted, short-sighted. Hence ~ISH¹(2) a., ~NESS n. [f. proc.]

near³, v.i. & t. Draw near (to), approach. [f. *NEAR*^{1,2}]

Nēarc'tic, a. (zool.). Of arctic & temperate parts of N. America. [f. Gk *neos* new (w. ref. to the New World), *ARCTIC*]

near¹ly, adv. Closely (*examine it ~*; ~ related; concerns me ~; approached the place ~; correspond, resemble, ~); almost; not ~, nothing like, far from. [*NEAR*², -LY¹]

neat¹, n. (sing. & collect. as pl.). Any animal of ox kind; (collect.) cattle; ~herd, cowherd; ~house, cattle-shed; ~s-foot, ~s-tongue, used as food; ~s-leather, ox-hide. [OE *neat*, cf. ON *nauf*, cogn. w. OE *nēotan* possess]

neat², a. (Of liquor, esp. alcoholic) undiluted; of elegant simplicity in form or arrangement, nicely made or proportioned; (of language, style, sayings) brief, clear, & pointed, cleverly phrased, epigrammatic; deft, dextrous, cleverly done; tidy, methodical; ~handed, dextrous. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [AF *neit*=F *net* f. L *nitidus* shining (*nitēre* shine)]

|| **neath**, prep. (poet.). Beneath. [f. *BE-NEATH*]

nēb, n. (Sc.). Beak or bill; nose; snout; tip, spout, point. [OE *nebb*, cf. Du. *nebbe*]

néb'ûla, n. (pl. -lae). Clouded speck on cornea causing defective sight; (Astron.) luminous patch made by cluster of distant stars or by gaseous or stellar matter outside solar system. [L.=mist, cf. Gk *nephelê*, G *nebel*]

néb'ûlar, a. Of nebula(e); ~ *theory* or *hypothesis*, that solar & stellar systems were developed from nebulae. [-AR¹]

néb'ûl'ium, n. Element formerly assumed to exist in gaseous nebulae as cause of bright lines in green part of spectrum. (These lines are now believed to be due to one of the known terrestrial elements in a more rarefied gaseous state than has yet been produced on earth). [-IUM]

néb'ûlous, a. (Astron.) of, like, nebula(e); ~ *star*, small cluster of indistinct stars, or star in luminous haze; cloud-like; hazy, vague, indistinct, formless; clouded, turbid. So **néb'ûlosus** n. [f. L *nebulosus* (NEBULA, -OUS)]

nécéssar'ian, n. & a. = NECESSITARIAN. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [L *necesse* NECESSARY, -ARIAN]

nécéssaril'y, adv. As a necessary result, inevitably. [-LY²]

nécéssar'î, a. & n. 1. Indispensable, requisite, (to or for person etc.; *it is ~y that*, to do); requiring to, that must, be done; determined by predestination or natural laws, not by free will, happening or existing by necessity; (of concept or mental process) inevitably resulting from nature of things or the mind, inevitably produced by previous state of things; (of agent) having no independent volition. 2. n. Thing without which life cannot be maintained (often the ~ies of life); (loosely) desirable thing not generally regarded as a luxury; (abs. use of adj.) the ~y (sl.), money or action needed for a purpose (provide, find, do, the ~y). [f. L *necessarius* (necesse needful, -ARY¹)]

nécéssitār'ian, n. & a. (Person) denying free will & maintaining that all action is determined by antecedent causes. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [NECESSITY, -ARIAN]

nécéss'itâte, v.t. Force, compel, (person) to do (now rare); render necessary, involve as condition or accompaniment or result. [f. med. L *necessitare* (NECESSITY, -ATE²)]

nécéss'itous, a. Poor, needy. [foll., -OUS]

nécéss'it'y, n. Constraint or compulsion regarded as a law prevailing through the material universe & governing all human action (often *physical* ~; *logical* ~, compulsion to believe that of which the opposite is inconceivable; *absolute*, *moral*, *natural*, etc., ~); constraining power of circumstances, state of things compelling to certain course, (of ~, unavoidably; *make a virtue of* ~, claim credit for doing what one cannot help doing, do thing with a good grace; *am under the ~ of doing*; ~ *knows no law*, absolves from any

offence); imperative need (for; ~ *is the mother of invention*); indispensability (the ~ of *protecting life & property*); indispensable thing, necessary; (usu. pl.) want, poverty, hardship, pressing need. [f. F *nécessité* f. L *necessitatem* (necesse needful, -TY)]

néck¹, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Part of body that connects head with shoulders (*break one's* ~, dislocate vertebrae of this, be killed so; *break* ~ of task etc., get hardest part of it over; *save one's* ~, escape hanging; ~ & *crop*, headlong, bodily; *get it in the* ~, sl., suffer fatal or severe blow; ~ or *nothing*, desperately, staking all on success, *it is a case for desperate attempts*; ~ & ~, running even in race); flesh of animal's ~ as food (esp. ~ of *mutton*); part of shirt etc. that touches ~. 2. Narrow part of vessel, esp. of bottle near mouth, or of passage, pass, or channel; pass, narrow channel, isthmus; narrow connecting part between two parts of thing; (Archit.) lower part of capital. 3. ~band, part of garment round ~; ~cloth, cravat; ~kerchief (-chief), kerchief worn round ~; ~lace (-lis), ornament of precious stones or metal, or beads etc., worn round ~; ~tle, band of silk etc. securing or seeming to secure shirt-collar; ~verse, Latin verse (usu. beginning of Ps. li) printed in black letter by reading which person claiming benefit of clergy might save his ~; ~wear (shop), collars & ties; hence (-)~ER² (-kt) a. 4. vb. ~ (sl.). (Of couples) clasp one another round the ~; hug, embrace, (person). [OE *hnecca*, cf. Du. *nek*, G *nacken*]

néck¹, n. Last sheaf of corn cut. [f] **néck'ing**, n. (archit.). Part of column between shaft & capital. [NECK¹, -ING¹]

néck'lét, n. Ornament or fur protector for neck. [-LET]

néck'ro-, comb. form of Gk *nekros* corpse, dead body, as ~gen'ic produced by contact with dead bodies, ~phore burying beetle, ~bids' is decay in tissues of body, ~LATRY (-ôl), ~logy (-ôl) death-roll or obituary notice, ~phagous (-ôf) feeding on carrion, ~polis (-ôp) cemetery, *néck'ropsy* or ~scopy (-ôst), post-mortem examination.

néck'romānc'y, n. Art of predicting by means of communication with the dead; magic, enchantment. So ~ER¹ n., **néck'romānt'ic** a. [f. OF *nygromancie* f. med. L *nigromantia* changed by assoc. w. L *niger* black f. L f. Gk *nekromanteia* (prec., -MANCY)]

néck'rô'sis, n. (path.; pl. -sê). Death of circumscribed piece of tissue, esp. mortification of bones. Hence **néck'rô'tic** a., **néck'rotizē**(3) v.l. [f. Gk *nekroësis* (nekroë kill, see NECKRO-)]

néck'tar, n. (Gk Myth.) drink of the gods (cf. AMBROSIA); any delicious drink; sweet fluid or honey produced by plants; kind

of aerated water. Hence or cogn. **nēc-tār** *EAN*, **nēctār** *FOUS*, ~ED²(-ard), ~*IS* *ER*-OUS, ~OUS, aa. [f. Gk *nektar* etym. dub.] **nēc'tarine**, n. Kind of peach with thin downless skin & firm flesh. [n. use of obs. or rare adj. (NECTAR, -INE¹)]

nēc'tary, n. Flower's or plant's honey-secreting organ. [f. NECTAR, prob. on false anal. of *ovary* (-ARY¹) for *nectary*] **Nēdd'y**, n. Donkey. [dim. of Edward; -Y³]

née (nā), a. Born (used in adding woman's maiden name, as *Mrs Smith, ~ Jones*). [F]

need¹, n. Circumstances requiring some course (*if ~ be or were, there is no etc.* ~, *to do or abs.*; *have ~*, require to; *had ~*, ought to, as *had ~ remember*); imperative demand for presence or possession of (*the ~ of further securities*; *have ~ of*, require, want); emergency, crisis, time of difficulty, (*a friend in ~ is a friend indeed*; *good at ~*; *failed him in his ~*); destitution, lack of necessities, poverty, whence ~Y³ a., ~INESS n.; thing wanted, respect in which want is felt, requirement, (*my ~s are few*); (pl.) offices of nature (*do one's ~s*); ~fire, fire got from dry wood by friction. [com.-Teut.: OE *neod*, *neod*, cf. Du. *nood*, G. *not*]

need², v.t. & i. (3 sing. pres. ~s, & ~ as specified below). Be necessary (arch.; *it ~s not*, it is needless; *there ~s*, so-&-so is required; *more than ~s*, than is necessary; *what ~ or ~s?*, why should one?); stand in need of, require, (intr.) be needy; be under necessity or obligation (to do etc.) or to do (3 sing. ~, & to omitted, in neg. & interrog. forms; *he ~ not trouble himself*; *it ~s to be done with care*; *why ~ he have come tonight?*; *~ not have done etc.*, usu. form = *did not ~ to do etc.*; often ellipt., as *don't be longer away than you ~*). [OE *neodian* (prec.)]

need'ful, a. Requisite, necessary, indispensable, (*to, for, or abs.*; *it ~s to do, or that*; *the ~*, what is necessary, esp. sl., the money required, also *do the ~* in football, convert try into goal). Hence ~NESS n. [-FUL]

nee'dle, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Thin round long piece of steel pointed at one end & with eye for thread at other used in sewing (*knitting, darning, packing, crochet*, etc., ~, shapes or modifications of it for different purposes; *sharp as a ~*, lit., & fig. acute, observant; *look for ~ in squabble* etc. of *hay*; *pins & ~s*; ~'s eye, least possible aperture, esp. w. ref. to *Math. xix. 24*). 2. Piece of magnetized steel used as indicator on dial of compass & magnetic & electric apparatus, esp. in telegraphy; strip of standard gold or silver used for comparison in assaying with touchstone. 3. Pointed etching instrument; pointed surgical instrument used in soft cauteract; end of hypodermic syringe; thin pointed piece of metal,

wood, or fibre, or long thorn, that receives & transmits the vibrations set up by a revolving gramophone record; steel pin exploding cartridge of breechloader.

4. Obelisk; sharp rock, peak. 5. Beam used as temporary support during underpinning. 6. ~-shaped crystal. 7. Leaf of fir or pine. 8. || *The ~* (sl.), fit of nervousness. 9. ~bath, shower-bath with fine spray discharged horizontally from vertical pipes surrounding bathen; ~book, book-shaped case for ~s; ~fish, kinds of fish, esp. garfish; ~ful, length of cotton etc. put into ~ at once; ~game, match, etc., one closely contested & arousing personal feeling or animosity; ~gun, in which cartridge is exploded by impact of ~; ~lace, made with ~s not bobbins; ~point, fine sharp point, also point-lace made with ~s; ~woman, sempstress, also good or bad user of ~; ~work, sewing or embroidery. 10. vb. Sow, pierce, or operate on, with ~; thread (one's way) between or through things; under-pin with ~-beams; form ~-shaped crystals; thread one's way. [OE *nēddl*, cf. G. *nadel*, Da. *naal*, prob. cogn. w. L. *nēre* spin. Gk *nēsis* spinning & *nēma* thread]

need'less, a. Unnecessary, uncalled for, (~ *to say* used parenth., as *I need not tell you*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

|| **need'ments**, n. pl. Things needed, esp. personal necessities carried on journey. [NEED n. or v., -MENT]

needs (-z), adv. Of necessity (now only after or before *must*; ~ *must* do, cannot help or avoid or get out of doing; *must ~ do*, occas. = ~ *must* do, usu. foolishly insists or insisted on doing). [OE *nīdes* (NEED¹, -ES)]

ne'er (nār), adv. (Poet.) never (not used ellipt. for sentence like *never*); ~ *a*, not a single; ~do-well, -weel, good-for-nothing (person). [contr. of NEVER]

nef'ar'ious, a. Wicked, iniquitous. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *nefarius* (*nefas* wrong), -OUS]

nēgāte, v.t. Nullify, deny existence of, imply or involve non-existence of, be the negation of. [from 1835 only, f. L. *negare* deny, -ATE³]

nēgā'tion, n. Denying; negative statement or doctrine; refusal, contradiction, denial of; (Log.) affirmation of difference or exclusion; absence or opposite of something actual or positive; negative or unreal thing, nonentity. So **nēgā'tory** a. [f. L. *negatio* (prec., -ATION)]

nēgā'tionist (-sho-), n. One who denies accepted beliefs without proposing substitutes. [-IST]

nēg'ative¹, a. 1. Expressing or implying denial, prohibition, or refusal (e.g. *proposition* in logic, asserting difference or discrepancy; ~ *status*, vote, answer; ~ *voice*, right of veto). 2. Wanting, consisting in the want of, positive attributes (~

virtue, abstinence from wrongdoing; ~ *instance*, *evidence*, of non-occurrence of something; ~ *causes of dissatisfaction*, sins of omission). 3. (Alg.) denoting quantities to be subtracted from others or from zero (~ *sign*, -); (colloq., joc.) ~ *quantity*, nothing. 4. (Electr.) of the kind produced by friction on resin etc. (opp. *positive*, on glass), containing or producing such electricity. 5. Of opposite nature to thing regarded as positive (*debt is ~ capital*, & *capital ~ debt*). 6. (Photog.) having lights & shadows of the actual object or scene reversed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, *négativ'ity*, n. [f. LL *negativus* (NEGATE, -IVE)]

négativ', n. 1. Negative statement, reply, or word (*it is hard to prove a ~; he returned a ~, answered 'no' etc.; two ~s make an affirmative*); right of veto; *in the ~*, negative(ly) (esp. in ministerial answers in Parliament, *the answer is in the ~*, no; *it was decided in the ~*, proposal was rejected). 2. Negative quality, want of something, (*his character is made up of ~s*). 3. (Alg.) negative or minus quantity. 4. (Photog.) image on glass etc. with reversed lights & shadows from which positive pictures are taken. 5. Negative plate or metal in voltaic battery. [f. prec.]

négative', v.t. Veto, reject, refuse to accept or countenance; disprove (Inference, hypothesis); contradict (statement); neutralize (effect). [as prec.]

nég'ativ'ism, n. Attitude of NEGATIONIST. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

négléct', v.t., & n. 1. Slight, not pay attentions to; leave uncared for; leave undone, be remiss about; omit to do or doing; hence ~ABLE a. (rare). 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed; disregard of; negligence; hence ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., ~fulness n. [(n. f. L *neglectus* -ūs) f. L *neglegere* -lect- (*neg-* not, *legere* pick up)]

négligé (nég'lizhá), n. Free & easy or uncerecermonious attiro. [F, p.p. of *négliger* (prec.)]

négligeable, a. (rare). Negligible. [f. F *négligeable* (prec., -ABLE)]

négl'igence, n. Want of proper care or attention, (piece of) carelessness; *contributory ~ence*, ~ence on a person's part that has helped to bring about the injury that he has suffered; freedom from restraint or artificiality in literature or art. So ~ENT a. (of duty etc.), ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *neglegentia* (NEGLECT, -ENCE)]

négl'igible, a. That need not be regarded (esp. ~ *quantity*). [as prec., -IBLE]

négô'tiâte (-shi-), v.i. & t. 1. Confer (with another) with view to compromise or agreement. 2. Arrange (affair), bring about (desired object), by ~ating. 3. Transfer (bill) to another for a consideration, convert into cash or notes, get or give value for (bill, cheque) in money.

4. Clear, get over, dispose of, (fence, obstacle, difficulty). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE (-sha-) a., ~ANT(1) (-shi-) n., ~ATION (-ai-, -shi-), ~ATOR² (-shi-), ~atress¹ (-sha-), ~ATRIX (-sha-), nn. [f. L *negotiare* (*negotium* business f. *neg-* not, *otium* leisure), -ATR²]

négrill'ô, n. (pl. ~s). Small Negro; one of dwarf negro race in Central & S. Africa. [Sp., dim. of NEGRO]

négri'tô (-rô-), n. (pl. ~s). One of small negroid race in the Malayo-Polynesian region. [as prec.]

Nég'rô, n. (pl. ~es; fem. *Negress*) & a. 1. Member, esp. male, of black-skinned woolly-haired flat-nosed thick-lipped African race. 2. adj. Of this race, black-skinned, (n ~ *minstrels*, troupe of real or sham ~es performing ~ songs & dances); occupied by, connected with, ~es; black or dark (n ~ *ant*, *bat*, *monkey*, dark species). 3. n ~ *head*, strong black plug tobacco, also inferior indiarubber; ~ *land*, part of Africa inhabited by ~es. Hence **nég'roid** a. & n., **négroid'** AL a., **nég'rophil** a. & n., **négroph'ilism** n., **négrophob'ia** n. [Sp., f. L *nigrum* nom. *niger* black]

Nég'us', n. Ruler of Abyssinia. [native] **nég'us'**, n. Hot sweetened wine & water. [Col. F. N~, d. 1732]

neigh (nâ), v.i., & n. (Utter) cry (as) of horse. [OE *hnægan*, cf. MHG *nægen*, imit.]

neighbour (nâb'er), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Dweller next door, near, in same street or village or district, or in adjacent country (*my ~ Jones*; *are next-door ~s*; *his nearest ~ is 12 miles off*; *our ~s across the Channel*), esp. regarded as one who should be friendly (*good*, *bad*, ~s; ~LY¹ a., ~LINESS n.) or as having claim on others' friendliness (*duty to one's ~*, to any fellow man); person or thing near or next another (*my ~ at dinner*; *falling tree brought down its ~*); (attrib.) ~ing; hence ~LESS a., ~SHIP n. 2. vb. Adjoin, border upon, border upon, (chiefly now in ~ING² a.). [OE *neahgebûr* (NIGH, BOOR), cf. G *nachbar*]

neighbourhood (nâb'er'd), a. Having neighbours or surroundings of specified kind (*ill ~*; *a beautifully ~ town*). [-D², 1]

neighbourhood (nâb'er-), n. Neighbourly feeling or conduct (usu. *good ~*); nearness, vicinity of (*in the ~ of £100*, about); neighbours, people of a district, district. [-BOO] **neith'er** (nidh-, nêdh-), adv., conj., a., & pron. 1. adv. (Introducing word, clause, etc., that is to be negated equally with a following one attached to it by *nor*) not either, not on the one hand, (~ *knowing nor caring*; ~ *you nor I know*, ~ *he nor I know*, ~ *I nor he knows*; also often irreg., ~ *he nor she knows*; ~ *does cowardice ensure nor courage preclude defeat*; ~ *here nor there*); (placed at end to emphasize preceding negative) either, any more

than something else, (*I don't know that* ~); (in apodosis after negative protasis) not either (*if you do not go, ~ shall I*); (Bibl.) not even (*but ~ so did their witness agree*). 2. conj. (arch.). Nor, nor yet, (*I know not, ~ can I guess*). 3. adj. & pron. Not either, not the one nor the other, (~ *accusation, ~ of the accusations, is true*; ~ *of them knows, often also irreg. know*); (loosely) none of any number of specified things. [ME *naither, neyther*, assim. of OE *naewther* contr. of *nahwæther* (na not, whether) to EITHER]

nek, n. (S.-Afr.). = COL. [Du., = NECK¹]

nek'ton, n. (biol.). The forms of free-swimming organic life found at various depths in the ocean & in lakes, taken collectively. [G, f. Gk *nekton* swimming (*nekho* swim)]

nell'y, n. Largest kind of petrel. [perh. the feminine name]

nēm'atō-, comb. form of Gk *nēma* -atos thread in scientific terms (=filamentous, having filament, thread-like), as ~ocyst, ocell in jelly-fish etc. containing coiled thread that can be projected as sting, ~ode & ~oid, aa. & nn., (worm) of slender cylindrical shape.

Nēm'esis, n. Goddess of retribution; retributive justice, downfall that satisfies this. [Gk (*nemō* give what is due)]

nēm'ine, abl. of L *nemo* no one; ~ *contradictorie* or *dissentientie* (pr. *kōntradisēn'ti*, *disēntlēn'ti*; abbr. *nēm. con.* or *diss.*) unanimously (or without a dissenting vote).

nēm'uphāt, n. Water-lily. [med. L, ult. f. Skr. *nilotpala* (nil blue, *utpala* lotus)]

nē'o-, comb. form of Gk *neos* new, used as living pref. to adj. & nn., & adding the notions *new, modern, later, recast, lately found* or *invented* (~*Cath'olic*, ~*pāp'anism*; ~*Cām'brim*, Geol., of the later Cambrian period; ~*Ill'lenism*, revival of Greek idols; ~*Malthū'sianism* (-zha-), use of preventives against conception; ~*Plāt'onism*, 3rd-cent. mixture of Platonic ideas with Oriental mysticism; ~*ōdoxy*, new doctrine or view; ~*nōn-tō'ogy*, study of extant animals; ~*ō'ic*, Geol., of later period of geological history, post-palaeozoic).

nēolith'ic, a. Of the later stone age, when ground or polished stone weapons & implements prevailed. [prec., Gk *lithos* stone, -ic]

nēolō'gian, a. & n. 1. Of, inclined to, marked by, neologism in theology. 2. n. Neologist in theology. [NEOLOGY, -AN]

nēol'ogism, **nēol'og'y**, nn. Coining or using of new words, new-coined word; tendency to or adoption of novel or rationalistic religious views. So ~ism(1) n., ~ism(2) v.i. [f. F *néologie, néologisme* (neo-, -logēy)]

nē'ōm, n. (chem.). Inert gaseous element occurring in the atmosphere; used in

illuminated signs (~ *lights*), giving a coloured glow when electricity is passed through it in a sealed low-pressure tube. [neut. of Gk *neos* new; discovered in 1898]

nē'ophrōn, n. White Egyptian vulture & allied birds. [name of man turned to vulture in *Metamorphoses* of Antoninus Liberalis]

nē'ophy'te, n. New convert esp. among primitive Christians or Roman Catholics; newly ordained R.-C. priest; novice of religious order; beginner, novice, tiro. [f. eccl. L f. Gk *neophytos* newly planted (NEO-, *phuo* plant)]

nēotē'ric, a. Recent, newfangled, modern. [f. LL f. Gk *neōterikos* (neōteros comp. of *neos* new, -ic)]

nēotrōp'ical, a. Of, found in, tropical & S. America. [NEO-, TROPICAL]

nēpēn'the(s) (-l, -cz), n. Drug producing forgetfulness of grief (poet.); (-s) genus of plants with pitcher-shaped leaves, Pitcher-plant. [(s) L f. Gk neut. of *nēpenthēs* griefless (nē- not, *penthos* grief)]

nē'pnew (-v-), n. Brother's or sister's son. [f. OE *neveu* f. L *neptem* nom. -pos grandson, nephew, cogn. w. OE *nefa*, G *neffe*]

nēphōl'ogy, n. Study of the clouds. [f. Gk *nephos* cloud, -logy]

nēphrit'ic, a. Of or in the kidneys, renal. [f. LL f. Gk *nephritikos* (foll., -ic)]

nēphrit'is, n. Inflammation of the kidneys. [LL f. Gk (*nephros* kidney, -itis)]

nēphr'(o)-, comb. form (prec.)=kidney-, ~*ectomy* excision of kidney, ~*ol'ogy*, ~*ō'omy*.

nē'plūs āl'tra, n. Prohibition of advance, impassable obstacle; furthest point attained or attainable; highest pitch or form of, acme, culmination. [L, = not more beyond, supposed inscription on Pillars of Hercules]

nēp'otism, n. Undue favour from holder of patronage to relatives (orig. from Pope to illegitimate sons called nephews). So ~ism(1) n. [f. It. *nepotismo* (nepote NEPHEW, -ism)]

Nēp'tūne, n. 1. (God of) the sea (~s *cup*, kinds of coral). 2. One of the farthest planets of solar system. [f. L *Neptunus*]

Nēptūn'ian, a. & n. (Geol.) produced by water action; (person) maintaining aqueous origin of certain rocks, so Nēp'tūn-ism(2) n. (opp. *Fulcanist*); of planet Neptune. [f. L *Neptunius* (prec.), -AN]

nēptūn'ium, n. Unstable element produced when uranium atoms absorb neutrons & changing to plutonium. [as NEPTUNE, -IUM]

nēr'ēid, n. Sea-nymph; (Zool.) long sea-worm or centipede. [f. L f. Gk *Nērēis* -idos daughter of sea-god Nereus]

ner'ō dūtt'ōs (nēr-, -tē-), n. Kind of black marble found in Roman ruins. [It.]

nēr'oli, n. Essential oil from orange-

flowers used in perfumery. [F (né-), f. name of Italian princess]

Nérôn'ian, a. Of, as of, the emperor Nero or his times, cruel, licentious, tyrannical. [f. L *Neronianus* (Nero-onis, -ian)]

nerv'ate, a. (bot.). (Of leaves) having ribs. So **nerv'ation** n. [foll., -ATE²]

nerve, n., & v.t. 1. Sinew, tendon, (now poet., exc. in *strain every ~*, make all possible efforts; also in pl. fig., as *good laws are the ~s of a State*). 2. Vigour, energy, well-strung state. 3. (Bot.) rib, esp. midrib, of leaf. 4. (Anat.) fibre or bundle of fibres connecting & conveying impulses of sensation & motion between brain or spinal cord or ganglionic organ & some part of body. 5. pl. Bodily state in regard to physical sensitiveness & interaction between brain & other parts, disordered state in these respects, exaggerated sensitiveness, nervousness, (*does not know what ~s are*, of equable temperament; *a fit of ~s*, nervous state; *get on one's ~s*, be a worry or annoyance to him; *has iron ~s*, ~s of steel, etc., is not easily upset or frightened; *war's of ~s*). 6. Nervous fibre. 7. Coolness in danger, boldness, assurance, (*lose one's ~*, become timid or irresolute); (colloq.) audacity, impudence. 8. ~centre, group of closely connected ganglion-cells; ~knot, ganglion; hence (-)nerv'ous² (-vd) a., nerv'o-comb. form. 9. v.t. Give strength, vigour, or courage, to; collect oneself to face danger or suffering. [f. L *nervus*, cf. Gk *neuron*]

nerv'less (-vl-), a. Inert, wanting in vigour or spirit, listless; (of style) flabby, diffuse; (Bot., Entom.) without nervures; (Anat., Zool.) without nerves. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

nerv'ine, a. & n. (med.). (Medicine) relieving nerve-disorders. [NERVE, -INE¹]

nerv'ous, a. Sinewy, muscular; (of literary style) vigorous, terse; full of nerves; of the nerves (~system, nerves & nerve-centres as a whole); acting on the nerves; having disordered or delicate nerves, excitable, highly strung, easily agitated, timid. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *nervosus* (NERVE, -OSE¹)]

nerv'ure (-yer), n. One of the tubes framing insect's wing; principal vein of leaf. [F (NERVE, -URE)]

nerv'y, a. Sinewy, strong, (poet.); (sl.) cool, confident, impudent; jerky, nervous; (sl.) trying to the nerves. [-Y²]

nescience (nesh'yens), n. Not knowing, absence of knowledge of. [f. LL *nescientia* f. L *nescire* not know (ne- not, scire know), -ENCE]

nescient (nesh'yent), a. & n. Ignorant (of); agnostic (a. & n.). [prec., -ENT]

ness, n. Promontory, headland, cape. [OE *næs* cf. *nasu* nose]

-ness, suf. appended freely to adj. (*bitter-ness*), participles (*loving-ness*, *tired-ness*), compd

adj. (*tongue-tied-ness*), & adj. phrr. (*up-to-date-ness*) to form nn. expressing state or condition. [OE *-nes(s)*, *-nis(s)*, *-nys(s)*, cf. Du. *-nis*, G *-ness*; the n is not orig. part of suf. (-assus, -assi, f. vbs in -*adjan*) but an accretion f. atom]

nest, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Structure or place made or chosen by bird for laying eggs & sheltering young (*it's an ill bird that fouls its own ~*, one should not speak ill of home etc.); FEATHER² one's ~; animal's or insect's abode or spawning or breeding place; snug or secluded retreat, lodging, shelter, bed, receptacle; haunt of robbers etc.; fostering-place of vice etc.; brood, swarm; collection, series, of similar objects; small chest of drawers; ~egg, real or imitation egg left in ~ to induce hen to go on laying there, sum of money kept as reserve or nucleus; hence ~FUI(2) n., ~LIKE a. 2. vb. Make or have ~ in specified place; take to ~-building; (p.p.) established (as) in ~, (of boxes etc.) packed one inside another; take bird's ~s. [OE, Du., & G, cogn. w. L *nidus* (ni-down, cf. NETHER, sed- sit)]

nestle (-sl), v.l. & t. = prec. vb (first sense; now rare); settle oneself, be settled, comfortably down, or in, into, among, etc., leaves, wraps, chair, etc.; press oneself affectionately close to, to, person; lie half-hidden or embedded; push (head, face, shoulder, etc.) affectionately or snugly in; hold embraced (usu. in p.p.). [OE *nestlian*, cf. Du. *nestelen*, see NEST, -LE(3)]

nest'ling (-sl-, -stl-), n. Bird too young to leave nest. [NEST n. + -LING², or prec. + -ING²]

Nes'tor, n. Wise old man, senior of company etc. [name of character in Homer]

Nestor'ian, a. & n. (Adherent) of doctrine of Nestorius patriarch of Constantinople A.D. 428 asserting that Christ had distinct divine & human persons. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [f. L *Nestorianus* (-AN)]

nét¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. Meshed fabric of twine, cord, hair, etc.; piece of this used for catching fish etc. (*beach, casting, trawl, herring, lark, clap*, etc., ~), or for covering, confining, protecting, carrying, etc. (*fruit, hair, tennis, cricket*, etc., ~); moral or mental snare; spider's web; reticulation, ~work; ~ball, girls' game in which a ball has to be thrown so as to fall through an elevated horizontal ring from which a ~ depends; ~work, arrangement with intersecting lines & interstices recalling those of ~, complex system of railways, rivers, canals, etc., ramification; hence ~FUI(2) n. 2. vb. Cover, confine, catch, with ~(s); fish (river etc.) with ~s, set ~s in (river); make netting; make (purse, hammock, etc.) by ~ting; (usu. in p.p.) mark with ~like pattern, reticulate. [oam.-Teut.; OE, Du., Da., *net*, cf. G *netz*]

nēt¹, a., & v.t. (-tī-). 1. Free from deduction, remaining after necessary deductions, (~ *profit*, true profit, actual gain after working expenses have been paid, opp. *GROSS*; ~ *price*, real price off which discount is not allowed, opp. *nominal*, *publisher's*, *price*). 2. v.t. Gain or yield (sum) as ~ profit. [F, see **NEAT¹**]

nē tēm'erē, n. The papal decree of 1907 under which marriages between Roman Catholics and others are not valid unless solemnized by R.-C. bishop or his deputy. [Initial L words, =lost at random]

nēth'er (-dh-), a. (arch. or joc.). Lower (~ *lip* or *jaw*; ~ *garments* etc., trousers; ~ *man* or *person*, legs etc.; ~ *millstone*, simile for hard heart etc.; ~ *world*, rarely the earth, usu. hell, also ~ *regions*). Hence ~**MOST** a. [com.-Teut.; OE *neo-thera*, cf. Du. *neder*, G *nieder*]

Nēth'erlander, n., **Nēth'erlandish**, a., (-dh-). (Native) of the Netherlands. [f. Du. *Niederlander*, -*landsch*, (*Nederland*, -*ER¹*, -*ISH¹*)]

nēt'suke (-sōōkū), n. Carved buttonlike ornament worn by Japanese. [Jap.]

nētt'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: netted string, thread, or wire; piece of this used for various purposes. [-ING¹]

nētt'le, n., & v.t. 1. Genus of plants including *Great* or *Common N*~ & *Small N*~, two species growing profusely on waste land & covered with stinging hairs; other plants resembling these, esp. **DEAD**~; ~*rash*, eruption on skin in patches like those made by ~ stings. 2. v.t. Beat with ~s; get oneself stung with ~s; irritate, provoke, annoy. [com.-Teut.; OE *netele*, cf. Du. *netel*, G *netzel*]

neum(e) (nūm), n. (mus.). Sign in plain-song indicating note or group of notes to be sung to a syllable. [F (-e), f. med. L *neuma* f. Gk *pneuma* breath (*pneō* breathe, -M)]

neur'al (nūr-), a. Of the nerves, of the central nervous system. [f. Gk *neuron* nerve, -AL]

neur'ātion (nūr-), n. Distribution of nervures. [Irreg. f. foll., -ATION]

neur(o)- (nūr-), comb. form of Gk *neuron* nerve; ~*āl'gia* (-ja), affection of nerve(s) usu. of head or face causing intense intermittent pain, so ~*āl'gic* a.; ~*āsthēn'ia*, nervous debility, so ~*āsthēn'ic* a.; ~*ēctomy*, excision of nerve; ~*ine*, nerve-tissue; ~*IT'is* n.; ~*ōl'ogy*, ~*ōl'ogist*, ~*ōlōgical*; ~*o-mūs'cular*, of nerves & muscles; ~*op'āth*, person of abnormal nervous sensibility or affected by nervous disease, so ~*op'āth'ic* a., ~*op'āthōl'ogy*, ~*op'āthy¹*; ~*op'āthist*, specialist in ~*opathy*; ~*op'hytiol'ogy*, physiology of nervous system; ~*o-psych'ic* (-sik-), of nervous & psychic functions; ~*op'terous*, of the *Neuroptera*, order of insects having four naked membranous transparent wings with reticulate neurulation; ~*ō'my*,

cutting of nerve to produce sensory paralysis; ~*ypnōl'ogy*, science of hypnotism. **neurōm'a** (nūr-), n. (pl. ~*ta*). Tumour on nerve or in nerve-tissue. [f. Gk *neuron* nerve, -M]

neurōs'is (nūr-), n. (pl. ~*esē*). Functional derangement due to disorders of nervous system; change in nerve-cells of brain prior to psychic activity. [as prec., -osis] **neurōt'ic** (nūr-), a. & n. (Drug) affecting nervous system; (person) affected with nervous disorder, of abnormal sensibility. [as prec., -OTIC]

neut'er, a. & n. 1. (Gram.) neither masculine nor feminine (cf. **COMMON¹**, **EPICENE**), (of verb) intransitive; neutral, not taking or assisting either side, in war, argument, opinion, etc. (esp. *stand* ~, remain neutral, declare neutrality); (Bot.) without pistils & stamens, asexual; (Entom.) sexually undeveloped, sterile. 2. n. ~ noun, adjective, verb, or gender: person standing ~; sexually undeveloped female insect, esp. bee or ant; castrated animal. [L, = neither (*ne*- not, *uter* either)]

neut'ral, a. & n. 1. Not assisting either of two belligerent States, belonging to a State that thus stands aloof, exempted or excluded from active or passive hostilities, taking neither side in dispute or difference of opinion, indifferent, impartial. 2. Not distinctly marked or coloured, indefinite, vague, indeterminate, (~ *tint*, grey or slate-colour, whence ~*tint'ed²* a. lit. & fig.). 3. (Chem.) neither acid nor alkaline; (Electr.) neither positive nor negative; (Entom., Bot.) sexually undeveloped, asexual; hence or cogn. **neutrāl'ITY** n., ~*LY²* adv. 4. n. ~ State or person; subject of ~ State. 5. Position of the parts in a gear mechanism in which no power is transmitted. [f. L *neutralis* of neuter gender (prec., -AL)] **neut'raliz'e**, v.t. Counterbalance, render ineffective by opposite force or effect; exempt or exclude (place) from sphere of hostilities. Hence ~*ATION* n. [f. med. L *neutralisare* (prec., -IZE)]

neut'rōn, n. Electrically neutral particle of about the same mass as a proton and probably consisting of an electron & a proton in close association. [f. **NEUTRAL** after *electron*]

névé (nēv'ā), n. Expanse of granular snow not yet compressed into ice at head of glacier. [F (L *nix nivis* snow, -ATE²)]

nēv'er, adv. At no time, on no occasion, not ever, (often ~ *before*, *since*, *after*, *yet*; also repeated for emphasis; *NOW* or ~; ~ *is a long word or day*, comment on rash renunciation or despair or negative prophecy; *it is ~ too late to mend*, reformation is always possible); (colloq. expressing surprise or incredulity in sentence or ellipt.) surely not, you do not mean it, (*you ~ left the key in the lock*); '*He ate the whole turkey.*'—'*Never!*'; I ~ *didn't*,

Well, I ~!, i.e. heard of such a thing etc.); not at all (~ *fear*; ~ *mind*, do not be troubled); ~ *a*, not *a*, no — at all; ~ *a one*, none; (in condit. clauses) ~ *so*, to unlimited extent, ever so; (with compar.) ~ *the*, none the; (with participles etc.) ~ *enough-to-be-regretted*, ~ *to-be-forgotten*, ~ *ceasing*, ~ *dying*, ~ *ending*, ~ *fading*, ~ *falling*; ~ *more*!, at no future time; *Never Never (Land)*, north Queensland; ~ *theless* adv. & conj., for all that, but for all that, notwithstanding, all the same. [OE *nēfre* (ne not, EVER)]

new¹, *a.* 1. Not existing before, now first made, brought into existence, invented, introduced, known or heard of, experienced, or discovered, (*New Testament*); unfamiliar to. 2. Renewed, fresh, further, additional; different, changed, (*a ~ morality*; ~ *man*, Theol., one converted to Christianity, *put on the ~ man*, show conversion by amendment; *a ~ fashion*, whence ~ *fashioned* (shond) *a.*; *my ~ tailor*; *lead a ~ life*; ~ *style*; *turn over a ~ leaf*). 3. (With the, as distinctive epithet implying difference of character) later, modern, ~ *tangled*, (*the ~ learning*, *MODEL*, *COMEDY*; *the ~ diplomacy*, *journalism*, *theology*, etc., advanced in method or doctrine, usu. derog.; *the ~ poor*, rich, classes recently impoverished, enriched; *the ~ woman*, women who aspire to freedom & independence & reject convention; *the New World*, America). 4. Of recent origin, growth, arrival, or manufacture, now first used, not worn or exhausted, (~ *red sandstone*; ~ *potatoes*, *wine*, *cheese*; ~ *furniture*, *clothes*; ~ *countries*, *soil*; *a heart*, *pleasures*, *ever ~*; ~ *CHUM*; ~ *members of Parliament* etc.); not yet accustomed to, *fresh from*. 5. (Of family or person) lately risen in position. 6. *comer*, person lately arrived; ~ *DEAL*! *New England*, inhabitant of *New England*, six NE. States of U.S.A.; ~ *fang*'led [-nggld; f. obs. ~ *fangle* *a.* in same sense (-*fangel* inclined to take f. OE st. *fang*, infin. *fōn* take)], fond of novelty (now rare), different from the good old fashion, objectionably novel; ~ *moon*, moon when first seen as crescent after conjunction with sun, time of such appearance, (Bibl.) Hebrew festival; ~ *year*, coming or lately begun year, first few days of year (*year's gift*, *wishes*, etc.); ~ *year's day*, 1 Jan.; ~ *year's eve*, 31 Dec.; *New Zealander*, Maori, also European settler in New Zealand. Hence ~ *ISS*! *a.*, ~ *NESS* *n.* [Aryan; OE *nīwe*, cf. G *neu*, Gk *neos*, L *novus*]

new², adv. (preceding, & now usu. hyphenated with, qualified word). 1. Newly, recently, just, (~ *blown*, having just come into bloom, lit. & fig.; ~ *born*, & see below; ~ *built*, & see below; ~ *coined*, esp. of words; ~ *come*, lately arrived; ~ *fallen snow*; ~ *fledged*; ~ *found*;

~ *laid eggs*; ~ *made*; ~ *mown hay* or *lawn*). 2. Anew, afresh, re-, (~ *born*, regenerated, & see above; ~ *build*, rebuild, & see above; ~ *create*; ~ *front*, put new front to; ~ *furnish*; ~ *model*, recast). [f. *pro.*]

new³, *n.* Centre pillar of winding stair (open or hollow ~, central well of winding stair); post supporting stair-handrail at top or bottom. [f. OF *noeu* (L *nux nucis* nut, -AL)]

Newfound¹ land (or *fündlând*), *n.* Island at mouth of St Lawrence (~ *dog* or ~, also ~ *er*, large breed of spaniel kind noted for swimming powers). Hence ~ *ER*! (4) *n.*

Newg¹ate, *n.* Celebrated London prison (~ *Calendar*, publication with accounts of ~ prisoners; ~ *fringe*, *frill*, beard grown below chin while face is shaven; || ~ *knocker*, curl worn by costermongers etc.). [place]

newl¹y, adv. Recently (usu. with p.p. = **NEW¹** in sense 1 & often now preferred; hyphenated w. attrib. part.; *the ~ discovered country*; *a guest ~ arrived*); in new manner. [-LY²]

Newm¹arkét, *n.* Town noted for horse-races (~ *coat* or ~, close-fitting overcoat for men or women); a card-game.

news (-z), *n.* pl. (usu. followed by sing. vb). 1. Tidings, new information, fresh events reported, (*have you heard the, this*, or rarely *these*, ~?; *ill ~ flies apace*; *no ~ is good ~*; *that is no ~*, already well known; *is there any, what is the, ~?*); (N~) part of newspaper title, as *Evening N~*. 2. || ~ *agent*, dealer in ~papers etc.; ~ *boy*, ~ *man*, selling ~papers in streets; ~ *letter*, letter sent out periodically with the ~ to country towns etc.; ~ *monger*, gossip; ~ *paper*, printed publication usu. daily or weekly containing the ~, advertisements, & literary matter; ~ *print*, paper for printing ~papers on; ~ *reel*, cinema film giving the ~ of the day; ~ *room*, || reserved for ~paper-reading; ~ *sheet*, simple form of ~paper; ~ *stand*, stall for sale of ~papers; ~ *vendor*, ~ *paper-seller*. Hence ~ *LESS*, ~ *Y*! *aa.*, ~ *INESS* *n.*, (-x). [pl. of **NEW¹** after med. L *nova* neut. pl. of L *novus* new]

newt, *n.* Small tailed amphibian allied to salamander, eft. [for *eut* (a *neut* = an *eut*, cf. *NICKNAME*) var. of *euel* EFT]

Newton¹ian, *a.* & *n.* 1. Of Newton or his theory of the universe; devised etc. by Newton. 2. *n.* Follower of Newton; ~ *telescope* or *reflector*. [Sir Isaac Newton (1642-1727), -IAN]

next, *a.* (occas. governing noun), adv., prep., & *n.* 1. adj. Lying, living, being, nearest or nearest to or nearest to (*in the ~ house*; *my ~ neighbour*; *Hees ~ door*, in the ~ house; ~ *door neighbours*; ~ *door to felony*, to blasphemous, almost; ~ *to nothing*, none, impossible, almost; *the chair ~ the fire*; *the skin with the flesh ~*

to; *the shop ~ to the corner*); soonest come to, first ensuing, immediately following, coming nearest in order etc. *to*, immediately before, (*will ask the ~ man I see, the ~ policeman; shall return ~ year, ~ Friday, on Friday ~; what is the ~ article?*, shopman's formula; *the Sunday ~ before Easter; what is true one day may be false the ~; not till ~ time*, ioc. addition to promise of abstinence; *the ~ town to London in size; ~ best, second-best; the person ~ him, or ~ to him, in rank*). 2. adv. (Often indistinguishable f. pred. use of adj.) in the ~ place or degree, on the ~ occasion, (*in the week ~ ensuing; ~ came a strange figure; what ~?*, can anything follow to beat this for absurdity etc.); *placed his chair ~ to hers; New York is the largest city ~ to London; when I ~ saw him he was lame*). 3. prep. (Often indistinguishable f. pred. adj. governing noun) in or into the ~ place, on the ~ occasion, in the ~ degree, to (*I was standing ~ him; placed his chair ~ hers; loves him ~ her own child; wear flannel ~ your skin*). 4. n. (or ellipt. use of adj.). ~ person or thing (~ of kin, person nearest of kin to someone; *will tell you in my ~, i.e. letter; to be continued in our ~, i.e. issue of magazine etc.; her ~, i.e. husband, was a greengrocer, i.e. child, was a girl; ~ please, ask your ~ question, let the ~ man come, etc.*). [OE *nēahst* (NIGH, -EST)]

nēx'us, n. Bond, link, connexion, (fig.); *the cash ~ (consisting in money payments)*. [L (*nectere* nez- bind)]

Niāg'ara, n. Cataract, torrent, din, (*shoot ~, run fearful risks*). [N.-Amer. water-fall]

nib, n., & v.t. (-bb-). 1. Point of quill pen; metal or quill pen-point for insertion in penholder; point of tool etc. 2. pl. Fragments of crushed cocoa-beans. 3. v.t. Make, mend, insert ~ of, (pen). [=Sc. *neb* nose, OE *nebb*, cf. ON *nef*, Du. *neb*]

nib'ble, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Take small bites at; bite (t. & l.) gently or cautiously or playfully (esp. of fish with bait, or rabbits; often ~ at, lit., & fig. of dallying with temptation, bargain, etc.); carp at, make trifling criticisms. 2. n. Act of nibbling, esp. of fish at bait; enough (grass etc.) to ~ at. [cf. LG *nibbeln*]

nib'lick, n. Golf-club with large round heavy head, used esp. for playing out of bunkers. [!]

nibs (-z), n. (sl.). *His* etc. ~, burlesque title after *His Grace* etc. [!]

nice, a. & adv. 1. Fastidious, dainty, hard to please, of refined or critical tastes; precise, punctilious, scrupulous, particular, (*must not be too ~ about the means*). 2. Requiring precision, care, tact, or discrimination (*a ~ experiment, question, point, negotiation*). 3. Minute, subtle, (*a ~ distinction, shade of meaning*). 4. Attentive, close, (*a ~ inquiry, observer*). 5. Delicate-

ly sensitive, discriminative, or deft (*a ~ ear, judgement, hand; weighed in the ~st scales, lit. or fig.*). 6. (colloq.). Agreeable, attractive, delightful, well-flavoured, satisfactory, kind, friendly, considerate, generally commendable (often iron., as *here is a ~ mess*). 7. ~ (and), satisfactorily, as the house stands ~ & high, car is going ~ & fast, this is a ~ long one; ~ looking, pretty or of engaging appearance. Hence ~'LY² (sl-) adv., ~'NESS (-sn-) n., **nī'cish**¹ (2) a. [earlier senses, *stupid, wanton*; OF, f. L *nescius* ignorant (nescience)] **Nicēne'** (or nī-), a. Of Nicaea (*first & second ~ councils, held A.D. 325, 787, to settle the Arian controversy & the question of images; ~ Creed, formal statement of Christian belief based on that adopted at first ~ council*). [f. LL *Nicēnus* (L f. Gk *Nikaia*)]

nī'cētȳ, n. Punctiliousness; precision, accuracy, (*to a ~, exactly*); intricate or subtle quality (*a point of great ~*); minute distinction, subtle or unimportant detail, (pl.) minutiae. [f. OF *niceté* (NICE, -TY)]

niche, n., & v.t. 1. Shallow recess in wall to contain statue, vase, etc.; (fig.) place destined for person's occupation, esp. ~ in the temple of fame, right to be remembered for one's achievements. 2. v.t. Place (statue etc.) in ~ (usu. in p.p.); ensconce, settle, (esp. oneself, or in p.p.) in some hollow or corner. [F, f. It. *nicchia* etym. dub.]

nick¹, n. Notch serving as catch, guide, mark, etc.; certain throws in hazard; *in the ~ (of time)*, just at the right moment. [!]

nick², v.t. & i. Make nick(s) in, indent; make incision at root of (horse's tail; also with horse etc. as obj.) to make him carry it higher; hit upon, guess rightly, (~ *it, the truth*, etc.); just catch (the time, a train, etc.); catch, nab, (criminals etc.); make (certain winning throws) at hazard; cut in by short cut, at corner, etc., in hunting or racing; (of breeding stocks) mingle well etc. with others. [!]

nick'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Hard silvery-white lustrous ductile metallic element much used esp. in alloys; U.S. five-cent piece or kinds of Continental coin corresponding to English & French coppers; ~ silver, alloy like German silver; ~ steel, alloy of iron with ~. 2. v.t. Coat with ~. [abbr. of G *kupfernickel* copper-coloured ore f. which ~ was first got (*kupfer* copper, *nickel* demon, w. ref. to disappointing nature of ore, which yielded no copper)]

nick-nack. See KNICK-KNACK.

nick'na'me, n., & v.t. 1. Name added to or substituted for person's, place's, or thing's proper name; abbreviation or familiar form of Christian name. 2. v.t. Call (person or thing a ~), give ~ to, (*some people are never ~d; they ~ patience*)

cowardice; *Cumberland*, ~d *Butcher*. [earlier *neke*, orig. an *NEE*¹-name, cf. NEWT]

nicō'tian (-shī-), a. & n. Of tobacco; (n.) smoker. [foll., -IAN]

nic'otine (-tēn), n. Poisonous alkaloid extracted as oily liquid from tobacco. Hence ~ISM(5) n., ~IZE(5) v.t. [F *Nicot*, introducer of tobacco into France, -INÉ⁴]

nic'tâte, **nic'titâte**, vv.i. Close & open the eyes, wink, chiefly in *nictitating membrane*, third or inner eyelid of many animals. Hence *NICTA'TION*, *NICTITA'TION*, nn. [f. (med. L *nictitare* frequent. of) L *nic-tare*, -ATE³]

ni'cy, n. (nursery). Sweet, lollipop. [NICE, -Y³]

nidamēn'tal, a. Serving as receptacle for ova in molluscs etc. (~ *gland*, *capsule*, *ribbon*). [f. L *nidamentum* (NIDUS, -MENT)]

nid(d)'ering, n. & a. (pseudo-arch.). Base or cowardly (person). [misreading (in early printed text of William of Malmesbury) of obs. *nothing* f. ON *nithingr* (*nith* satire, cf. G *neid* envy); given currency by Scott]

nid'dle-nōd'dle, a., & v.i. & t. 1. Nodding, quivering, unsteady. 2. vb. Keep nodding (head, or intr.), totter, sway. [redupl. f. NOD, -LE(3)]

|| **nide**, n. Brood of pheasants. [f. L NIDUS]

nid'ificâte, **nid'ify**, vv.i. Build nest(s). Hence *NIDIFICA'TION* n. [f. L *nidificare* (NIDUS, -FY), -ATE³]

nid-nōd, v.i. & t. (-dd-). Keep nodding. [reduplicated f. NOD]

nid'us, n. (pl. -di, -duses). Place in which insects etc. deposit eggs; place in which spores or seeds develop; place of origin or development for disease, or for some quality, doctrine, etc.; natural receptacle; collection of eggs, tubercles, etc. [L, see NEST]

niece, n. One's brother's or sister's daughter. [f. F *nièce* (L *neptis* cogn. w. obs. E *nift*, G *nichte*)]

niell'ō, n. (pl. -ti pr. -lō, -lōs). Black composition for filling engraved lines in silver or other metal; (specimen of) such ornamental work. Hence ~ED³ (-ōd) a. [It., f. neut. of L *nigellus* dim. of *niger* black]

Nier'steiner (nōr'sti-), n. A white hock. [G]

Nietzsch'éan (nēch⁴), a. & n. (Admirer, follower) of the German philosopher F. Nietzsche (d. 1900); (supporter) of his principles (see OVERMAN). [-AN]

***nift'y**, a. (sl.). Spruce, smart, stylish; smelly. [†]

nigg'ard, n. & a. Stingy person, grudging giver of; (adj., rhet. & poet.) = foll. [etym. dub.; cf. obs. *nig*, *nigon*; prob. of F orig.]

nigg'ardly, a. & adv. Parsimonious, stingy, sparing, scanty, giving or given grudgingly or in small amounts; hence ~NESS n.; (adv.) in ~y manner. [-LY^{1,2}]

nigg'er (-g-), n. Negro (usu. derog.; ~ in the woodpile or fence, sl., suspicious circumstance, something that spoils a good thing); (loosely) member of any dark-skinned race, e.g. E.-Indian, native Australian; black turnip caterpillar; ~(-brown), dark shade of brown; ~ *minstrel*, see NEGRO; ~ *melody*, *song*, etc., such as prevail among American Negroes; ~ *head*, = NEGRO-head. Hence ~DOM n. [earlier *neger* f. F *negre* f. Sp. NEGRO]

|| **nig'gle**, v.i. Spend time, be over-elaborate, on petty details. [cf. Norw. *nigla*]

nigg'ling, a. Trifling, petty, lacking in breadth, largeness, or boldness of effect; (of handwriting) cramped. [-ING³]

nigh (ni), adv., prop., & a. (comp. & sup. formerly *near*, *next*, now ~er, ~est, also as adv., prepp., & aa., cf. NEAR^{1,2}). = NEAR^{1,2} (arch., poet., or dial.). [com.-Teut.; OE *neah*, cf. Du. *na*, G *nah*; the adv. use is the orig.; ~er, ~est, have been formed since the relation of *near*, *next*, to *nigh* was obscured]

night (nit), n. 1. Dark period between day & day, time from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. or from sunset to sunrise, darkness then prevailing, the dark, (also ~/fall) end of daylight, weather or experiences or occupation of a ~, (black, dark, as ~; went forth into the ~; the ~ of ignorance or barbarism; stayed three ~s with them; a dirty ~, stormy or rainy; have a good, bad, ~, sleep well or ill, be comfortable or in pain, cf. GOOD ~; make a ~ of it, spend ~ in festivity; ~ out, festive evening, also evening on which servant is allowed out; ~ & day, always, without cessation; all ~, all ~ long, for the whole ~; by ~, during, under cover of, the ~; at ~, at ~fall, in the evening, also added to the hours from 6 p.m. to midnight, cf. in the morning of hours 1-6 a.m.; cannot sleep o' ~s for thinking of); ~, by, like, during, appropriate to, employed for, active in, the ~ (-veiled, -black, -walking, -haunted, -brawl, -attire, -lamp, -porter, -moth). 2. ~bird, esp. owl or nightingale, also person esp. of disreputable character who goes about by ~; ~blindness, nyctalopia; ~boat, passenger-boat crossing by ~; ~cap, worn in bed, also alcoholic drink taken before going to bed; || ~cellar, underground drinkshop of low class; ~chair, = ~stool; ~clothes, worn in bed; ~club (open to members for dancing, supper, etc.); ~dress, ~gown (also ~Y³ n., pr. nit¹), woman's or child's ~ attire; ~flower, that opens at ~ & closes in the day; ~glass, short telescope for ~ use at sea; ~hag, female demon riding the air at ~, ~mare; ~hawk, thieving or other nocturnal prowler; ~jar, the coalsucker; ~light, short thick candle giving dim light through ~ for invalids etc.; ~lame, left with batted hooks to catch fish by ~; ~long, lasting

through the ~; ~*man*, employed to remove ~soil; ~*mare*, female monster sitting upon & seeming to suffocate sleeper, incubus, oppressive or paralyzing or terrifying or fantastically horrible dream (whence ~*māriṣh*¹ a.), also haunting fear or thing vaguely dreaded; ~*piece*, (painting of) ~ scene or landscape; ~*school*, providing instruction for workmen after day's work; ~ *season*, ~-time (poet., rhet.); ~*shirt*, boy's or man's long shirt for sleeping in; ~*soil*, contents of cess-pools etc. removed at ~; ~*stool*, close-stool or commode for use at ~; ~*suit*, set of pyjamas; ~*time*, ~ as a state of things or opportunity (in the ~-time, by ~); ~*watch*, (person or party keeping) watch by ~, Hebrew or Roman division (one of three or four) of the ~ (in the ~-watches, during the anxious, wearisome, wakeful, etc., ~); ~*work*, done, that must be done, by ~. Hence ~*LESS* (nit-) a. [Aryan; OE *nih*t, cf. G *nacht*, L *nox*-*ctis*, Gk *nux*-*ktos*, Skr. *nakta*]

night'ingāle (nitinggr-), n. Small reddish-brown migratory bird singing melodiously & powerfully both by night & in the day. [OE *nih*tegale (NIGHT, *galan* sing), cf. G *nachtigall*]

night'y¹ (nit-), a. Happening, done, existing, etc., in the night; happening every night; (poet.) of or suiting night. [OE *nih*ttic (NIGHT, -ly¹)]

night'y² (nit-), adv. Every night. [-ly²]
night'shāde (nit-), n. Kinds of plants, esp. *Black N*~ with white flowers & black poisonous berries, *Woody N*~ with purple flowers & bright red berries, & *Deadly N*~ or belladonna. [OE *nih*tscada, cf. Du. *nachtschade*, G *nachtschatten*, probably f. NIGHT, SHADE, w. ref. to its poison]

nigrés'cent, a. Blackish. So ~*ENCE* n. [f. L *nigrescere* (*niger* black), -*ENT*]

nig'ritude, n. Blackness (lit. & fig.). [f. L *nigritudo* (prec., -*TUDE*)]

ni'hil dā rēm, pred. a. Irrelevant. [L]

ni'hil'ism (ni'hil-, ni'hil-), n. Negative doctrines, total rejection of current beliefs, in religion or morals; (Philos.) scepticism that denies all existence; doctrines of extreme revolutionary party in 19th-c. Russia finding nothing to approve of in the constituted order of things. Hence ~*IST*(2) n., ~*IS'TIC* a. [f. L *nih*l nothing, -*ISM*]

ni'hil'ity, n. Non-existence, nothingness; mere nothing, trifle, nullity. [f. med. L *nihilitas* (prec., -*TY*)]

nil, n. Nothing, no number or amount, (esp. in scoring at games etc., as *three goals to ~*); ~ *admirari* (Admirat'I), attitude of being surprised at, or admiring, nothing, nonchalance. [L]

ni'l'gai (-gt), n. Var. of *NYGHAU*.
|| **ni'l**, v.l., 3rd sing. pres. condit. *Will he ~* he, whether he likes it or not (now usu. *will-nilly*). [obs. *ne* not, *WILL*¹]

NILÖm'éter, n. Graduated pillar etc. showing height to which Nile rises. [f. Gk *Niellometria* (-*METRIA*)]

NILÖt'ic, a. Of the Nile or Nile region or its inhabitants. [f. L f. Gk *Niellōtikos* (*Niēlos* Nile, -*OS*, -*IC*)]

nim'ble, a. Quick in movement, agile, swift, (the ~ *shilling*, or *ninepence* arch., circulating quickly); (of the mind etc.) versatile, clever, quick to apprehend, dextrous. Hence ~*NESS* n., **nim'bley**² adv. [f. OE *numol* f. *niman* take, -*LE* (1)]

nim'bus, n. (pl. -*bi*, -*buses*). Bright cloud or halo investing deity or person or thing; bright disk or aureole round or over head of saint etc. in picture; (Meteorol.) rain-cloud. Hence ~*ED*² (-*st*) a. [L, =cloud]

nimi'éty, n. (rare). Excess, too much. [f. LL *nimietas* (L *nimius* excessive f. *nimis* too much, -*TY*)]

nim'in'y-pim'in'y, a. Affected, mincing, prim. [imit.]

Nim'röd, n. Great hunter or sportsman. [see *Gen.* x. 8, 9]

ninc'ompōp, n. Simpleton, person without sense or character, ninny. [f.]

nine, a. & n. 1. One more than eight, 9, IX, (often agreeing with understood noun, as ~ of the men, ~ of them, ~ o'clock or ~, cost ~ & six, will be ~ next birthday; ~ o'clock wind, blowing from rifleman's left hand; twenty ~ etc. or, not beyond ~ & ninety, ~ & twenty etc.; the *N*~, the Muses; ~ *days'* wonder, novelty that attracts much attention but is soon forgotten; ~ *times* out of ten, generally; possession is ~ *POINTS* of the law; cat has ~ *lives*, see LIFE); || ~*'pins*, kind of skittles; ~ *tenis*, nearly the whole; hence ~*'FOLD* (-*nf*) a. & adv. 2. n. The number ~; card of ~ pips; to the ~s, to perfection (esp. dressed up to the ~s, elaborately). [Aryan; OE *nigon*, cf. G *neun*, Skr. *ndvan*, Gk *ennea*, L *novem*]

nine'teen' (-*nt*-), a. & n. One more than eighteen, 19, XIX, (is nearly ~, years old; twice ~ is 38; a ~-&-sixpenny pair of shoes; ~ to the DOZEN). Hence ~*TH*² a. (~*th* hole, joc., golf-club's bar) & n. [-*TEEN*]

nine'ty (-*nt*-), a. & n. 1. Nine times ten, 90, XC, (~*y*-one etc., or one etc. & ~*y*; ~*y*-first etc.; ~*y*-nine out of a hundred, nearly all); hence ~*IE*² a. & n. 2. n. The number ~*y*; (pl.) the ~*ies*, degrees on thermometer etc., years of century or life, between 80 & 100. [-*TY*²]

Nin'évite, n. Inhabitant of Nineveh. [f. L *Ninivita* (*Ninive*, -*ITE*¹)]

ninn'y, n. Simpleton, fool, person of weak character or mind. [perh. for INNOCENT]

sinon (nē'nawn), n. Light-weight silk dress fabric. [F]

ninth, a. & n. 1. Next after eighth (on the ~, day of month; ~ *part*, one of nine equal parts into which thing may be divided; ~ *part* of a man, tailor). 2. n.

~ part; (Mus.) interval of octave & second. [NINE, -TH²]

ninth'ly, adv. In the ninth place (in enumerations). [-LY¹]

Ni'obé, n. Inconsolable bereaved woman. Hence **Niobé'AN** a. [Gk (-s), woman turned to stone while weeping for slain children]

niób'ium, n. (chem.). A rare metallic element usu. found associated with tantalum. Hence ~ic (chem.), ~ous (chem.), aa. [prec., -IUM; named 1845]

nip¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Pinch, squeeze sharply, bite; pinch off (bud etc.); check growth of (esp. ~ in the bud¹; lit. & fig.); (of cold) affect injuriously, pain, whence ~p'ing² a., ~p'ingly² adv.; take up, out, etc., hurriedly or unobserved; (sl.) step etc., nimbly in(to), out, up, whence ~p'y³ a., || also as n., colloq., P, waitress in a restaurant of Messrs P. Lyons & Co., Ltd.). 2. n. Pinch, sharp squeeze, bite; sharp saying, sarcasm; (check to vegetation caused by) coldness of air. [cf. Du. *nippen* nip, Du. & G *nippen* sip, Du. *nippen* wrangle]

nip², n., & v.i. & t. (-pp-). Small quantity of spirits etc. as pick-me-up; (vb) take ~s, take ~s of. [prob. for obs. *nipperkin* small measure of ale etc., etym. dub., prob. of Du. orig.]

ni'pa (né-, ni-), n. Kind of E.-Indian palm. [f. Malay *nipah*]

nipp'er, n. In vbl senses of NIP^{1,2}; also or esp.: kinds of fish; || boy, lad, esp. costermonger's assistant or street arab; (pl.) implement with jaws for gripping or cutting, forceps, pincers, pliers, (often pair of ~s); (pl.) pince-nez; horse's incisor tooth; crustacean's claw. [-ER¹]

nip'ple, n. Small projection in which mammary ducts terminate in mammal of either sex, teat, esp. on woman's breast; cover for protecting woman's teat while child sucks; teat of nursing-bottle; ~-like protuberance on skin, glass, metal, etc.; small rounded elevation on mountain; perforated projection of musket-lock on which percussion-cap was placed; || ~wort, yellow-flowered weed. [f.]

Nipp'on, n. Japan. Hence **Nippōn'ian** a. [f. Dai ~, native name of Japan (lit. 'Great land of the rising sun')]

nirva'na (-vah-), n. Buddhist beatitude, i.e. extinction of individuality & absorption into the supreme spirit. [Skr., f. *nirvā* (nir, nts, out +vā to blow)]

nis'i, conj. (legal). Unless (decree, order, rule, etc., ~, decree etc. valid unless cause is shown for rescinding it before appointed time at which it is 'made absolute'; || ~ pri'us, hearing of civil causes by judges of assize, court-business of this kind). [L; ~ prius, unless before that, words from writ directing sheriff to provide jury on certain day unless judges came sooner]

Niss'en hüt, n. Tunnel-shaped hut of corrugated iron with cement floor. [named after inventor]

nit, n. Egg of louse or other parasitic insect. [OE *hnitu*, cf. Du. *neel*, G *niss*]

nit'ōn, n. (Orig. name of) RADON. [f. L *nitēre* to shine, after *argon* etc.]

nit'rate¹, n. Salt given by combination of nitric acid with base, or compound made by interaction of nitric acid & alcohol; (short for) *potassium* or *sodium* ~. [NITRE, -ATE¹(8)]

nitri'ate², v.t. Treat, combine, or impregnate, with nitric acid. Hence ~A'TION n. [foll., -ATE²]

nit're (-er), n. Saltpetre, potassium nitrate; cubic ~, sodium nitrate. [F, f. L f. Gk *nitron* perh. of Oriental orig.]

nit'ric, a. Of, containing, nitrogen; ~ acid, clear colourless pungent highly corrosive & caustic liquid, aquafortis. [f. F *nitrique* (prec., -ic)]

nit'rify, v.t. Impregnate with nitrogen, turn into nitrous or nitric acid. So ~FICA'TION n. [f. F *nitriser* (NITRE, -FY)]

nit'rite, n. Compound of base or alcohol with nitrous acid. [NITRE, -ITE²(2)]

nitro-, comb. form of Gk *nitron* NITRE, -of, containing, made with or by use of, nitric acid or nitroxyl or nitre or nitrogen; ~a'cid, compound of nitric with organic acid; ~com'pound (made by action of nitric acid); ~explō'sive (prepared by means of nitric acid); ~gly'cerin(e), yellowish oily violently explosive liquid made by adding glycerine to mixture of nitric & sulphuric acids; ~powd'er, gunpowder made with nitric acid; ~sulphū'ic, formed by mixture of nitric & sulphuric acids; *nitro'yl*, chemical grouping of nitrogen & oxygen.

nit'ro'gen, n. Colourless tasteless scentless gas forming four-fifths of atmosphere. Hence **nitro'genous** a. [f. F *nitrogène*, see NITRE, -GEN(1)]

nit'rous, a. Of, like, impregnated with, nitre (~ acid, containing less oxygen than nitric acid; ~ oxide, gas used as anaesthetic, laughing-gas). [f. L *nitrosus* (NITRE, -OUS)]

nit'wit, n. A person of little intelligence. Hence ~TED² a. [f. U.S. colloq. *nit* none (etym. dub.; perh. corruption of NAUGHT)]

|| **nix¹**, int. (sl.) giving warning to confederates etc. that master etc. is approaching. [f.]

nix², n. (fem. ~'ie). Water-elf. [G (fem. *nixe*), cf. OE *nicor*, Du. *nikker*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *nieō* wash]

nix³, n. (sl.). Nothing. [f. G *nichts*]
Nizam' (-ahm), n. Ruler of Hyderabad; (man, men, of) Turkish regular army. [Hind. & Turk., f. Arab. *niẓām* order, arrangement]

nō¹, a. 1. Not any (no circumstances could justify it; no date, abbr. n.d., = undated, in library lists etc.; no song no supper,

you must sing first; **no** END¹; **by no** MEAN's). 2. Not a, quite other than a, (service of no honourable kind; is no part of my plan; is no genius); hardly any (is no distance; did it in no time); there is etc. no —ing, none is etc. possible (there's no accounting for tastes; there was no mistaking what he meant). 3. Imperfect substitute for, absence of, (often **no**; these opinions or rather no opinions; his faith or no-faith). 4. (In ellipt. sentences) we will not have any, let there not be any, there is not any, (no Popery, surrender, etc., whence no Popery riots, a no-confidence vote, etc.; now no mistake, understand me clearly; & **no** MISTAKE¹; no cards, no flowers, invitations to funeral are not being sent out, floral tributes are not desired; **no** DOUBT¹; **no** FEAR¹; **no** WONDER¹). 5. **No ball**, unlawfully delivered ball in cricket, umpire's announcement of this, (vb, **no-ball**) pronounce (bowler) to have bowled no ball; **no-being**, non-existence; **no/body**, no person (everybody's BUSINESS is nobody's business; nobody ever did his, or irreg. *their*, work better), (w. pl.) person of no importance, authority, or position; **no bon** (army sl.), no good; **no GO²**; **no/hove**, in no way, by no means, (now chiefly dial.), *be, feel, look, etc., nohow*, out of order, out of sorts; **no man**, no person (no man's land, piece of waste, unowned, or debatable ground, esp. Mil. the space between opposed trenches; **no meaning**, nonsense; **no one**, no person, (also, as adj.) no single (no one man could lift it); **no side** (Football), (referee's announcement of the end of the game; **no thoroughfare**, notice that path, street, etc., is closed at other end, or that entrance is not permitted, (also) such path; **no trump(s)** (Bridge), declaration, bid, involving playing without a trump suit; **no-trumper**, hand on which a no-trump bid can be, or has been, made; **no'way(s)**, **no'wise**, in no manner, not at all; **no² whence**, **no'whither**, from, to, no place; **no whit**, not at all (usu. w. compar.). [for **NONE**, orig. only before consonants]

nō², adv. (Alw. as alternative after **or**) not (usu. *whether or no*, in either case, also *tell me whether or no*; *pleasant or no, it is true*); **no compree'** (army sl.), do not understand. [prob. f. prec. by extension of adj. use as in *whether there be any church or no* (church)]

nō³, adv. 1. (Alw. with compar.) **by no** amount, not at all, (no better than before; is no better than she should be, is not quite respectable; **no sooner** had he said it than, as soon as he had said it; **no sooner** said than done; **no LONG'er**). 2. **No less** (than), as much (n., a., adv.) or many (as) (*gave me £50, no less, no less than £50; no less than ten people have told me; did it no less for my warning; is no less than a scandal; a no less fatal victory*). 3. **No more**, (n.) nothing

further (*have no more to say; want no more of it*; often ellipt. for *say no more* or *let us have no more of it*); (adj.) not any more (*no more wine?*); (adv.) no longer (*is no more, is dead or passed away*), never again, to no greater extent (*is no more a lord than I am; could no more help laughing than I could fly*), just as little, neither, (*you did not come, no more did he*). [OE *nā*, see **NATHLESS**]

nō⁴, particle equivalent to negative sentence, & n. (pl. **noes**). 1. The answer to your question is negative, your request or command will not be complied with, the statement made or course intended or conclusion arrived at is not correct or satisfactory, (**no, nor**, form for substituting stronger phrase, as *a man could not lift it, no, nor half a dozen*). 2. **n. The word no**, a denial or refusal, (*two noes make a yes; will not take no for an answer*, persists in spite of refusals); (pl.) voters against a motion (*the noes have it*, are in a majority). [as prec.]

Nōāch'ian, **Nōāch'ic**, (-k-), aa. Of Noah or his time. [*Noach* = Noah, -IAN]

Nō'ah (-a), n. Hebrew patriarch; ~'s ark, in which ~, his family, & animals were saved (Gen. vi), imitation of it as child's plaything, large or cumbersome or old-fashioned trunk or vehicle, small bivalve, detached fragment of flying cloud; ~'s nightcap, the plant *eschscholtzia* (w. ref. to conical bud-sheaths).

nōb¹, n., & v.t. (sl.; -bb-). Head; (Cribbage) knave of same suit as turn-up (*one for his ~*, point scored by holder of this); (vb, Boxing) hit on the head. [perh. var. of **KNOB**]

nōb², n. (sl.). Member of upper classes. [perh. for *nobleman*, but Sc. form is *knabb*]

|| **nōb'ble**, v.t. (sl.). Tamper with (race-horse) to prevent its winning; secure partiality of by underhand means; get hold of (money etc.) dishonestly; catch (criminal). [†]

nōbb'y, a. (sl.). Suitable for a **NOB²**, smart, elegant. [-y²]

nobil'iarý (-lya-), a. Of (the) nobility (~ particle, preposition, as French *de*, German *von*, prefixed to title; ~ *pride*, *rank*, etc.). [f. F *nobilitaire* (NOBLE, -ARY)]

nobil'ity, n. Noble character, *maid*, birth, or rank; *the* or a class of nobles. [f. L *nobilitas* (toll., -ry)]

nō'ble, a. & n. 1. Illustrious by rank, title, or birth, belonging to the nobility; of lofty character or ideals (so ~-mind'ed² a., ~-mind'edness n.); showing greatness of character, magnanimous, morally elevated; splendid, magnificent, stately, imposing, impressive, in appearance; excellent, admirable, (a ~ horse, cellar, etc.); (of metals such as gold, silver, platinum) resisting chemical action, not corroding or tarnishing in air or water, not easily attacked by acids; ~-man,

peer; ~woman, woman of ~ birth or rank; hence ~NESS n., nob'ly² adv. 2. n. ~man; obsolete coin, usu. 6/s. [F, f. L *nobilis* (noscere KNOW, -BLE)]

noblesse', n. The class of nobles (esp. of a foreign country); ~oblige (öblézh'), privilege entails responsibility. [F]

noëk', n., & v.t. 1. Notch at ends of bow for holding string; notch(ed horn tip) of arrow for receiving bowstring. 2. v.t. Set (arrow) on string. [perh.=foll.; prob. not conn. w. NOTCH]

noëk', n. Forward upper corner of some sails. [f. Du. *noek*]

noët(i)-, comb. form of L *nox noctis* night = by night, as ~am'bülant night-walking, ~flö'ous night-flowering, ~lüc'a phosphorescent animalcule, ~w'agant, ~w'a-gous, night-wandering.

noët'üle, n. Largest British species of bat. [F, f. It. *nottila* bat]

noëtür'n'al, a. Of, in, done by, active in, the night. [f. LL (-*alis*) f. L *nocturnus* (NOCT-), -AL]

noëtür'ne, n. Dreamy musical piece; (Paint.) night-scene. [F, cf. prec.]

nöd, v.i. & t. (-dd-), & n. 1. Incline head slightly & quickly in salutation (~ding acquaintance, very slight one with person or subject), assent, or command; let head fall forward in drowsiness, be drowsy, make sleepy mistake (*Homer sometimes ~s*, the best of us may be dull or make a slip); (of buildings etc., also fig.) incline from perpendicular (esp. ~s to its fall); (of plumes) dance up & down; incline (head); signify (assent etc.) by ~. 2. n. ~ding of the head; this as sign of absolute power (*the empire was at or dependent on his ~*); *land of Nod*, sleep (with ref. to phr. in Gen. iv. 16). [excl. E; from 14th c.; etym. dub.]

nöd'die', n. (colloq.). Head, pate. [f]

nöd'dle', v.t. Nod or wag (head). [NOD, -LE(3)]

nöd'd'y, n. Simpleton, noodle; tropical sea-bird. [perh. f. obs. *noddy* foolish (perh. NOD, -Y²)]

nöde, n. Knob on root or branch; point at which leaves spring; hard tumour esp. on gouty or rheumatic joint; intersecting point of planet's orbit & ecliptic or of two great circles of celestial sphere, whence nöd'ical a.; point or line of rest in vibrating body; central point in system; point at which curve crosses itself. Hence nöd'AL a. [f. L *nodus*]

nodöse', a. Knotty, knobbed. [f. L *nodosus* (NODUS, -OSE¹)]

nodös'it'y, n. Knottiness; knot, protuberance. [f. L *nodositas* (prec., -RY)]

nöd'üle, n. Small rounded lump of anything; small node in plant; small knotty tumour, ganglion. Hence ~AR¹, ~ütéd [-AT²], ~OSE¹, ~OUE, aa., ~A'TION n. [f. L *nodulus* (foll., -ULE)]

nöd'us, n. (pl. -ët). Knotty point, diffi-

culty, complication in plot of story etc. [L, = knot, w. spec. ref. to *dignus vindice nodus* complication requiring divine intervention]

Nöë'l', =NÖWEL.

noët'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the intellect; purely intellectual or abstract; given to intellectual speculation. 2. n. (Sing. or pl.) science of the intellect. [f. Gk *noëtikos* (noëtis f. *noëō* apprehend, -IO)]

nög', n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Pin, peg, small block, of wood; snag or stump on tree. 2. v.t. Secure with ~s; build in form of (brick-, concrete-, stone-) ~g'ing¹ (-g-) n., i.e. brickwork etc. in timber frame. [f]

|| **nög'**, n. Kind of strong beer brewed in E. Anglia. [f]

nögg'in (-g-), n. Small mug; small measure, usu. $\frac{1}{2}$ pint, of liquor. [f]

noil, n. (Sing. or pl.) short wool-combings. [f]

noise (-z), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Loud outcry, clamour, shouting, din of voices & movements; any sound, esp. loud or harsh or undesired one, whence ~LESS a., ~lëss-ly² adv., ~lëssNESS n., (-zl-); *big* ~ (colloq., orig. U.S.), person of importance; *make a ~*, lit., also talk or complain much about, also be much talked of, attain notoriety in the world. 2. vb. Make public, spread abroad, (person's fame, fact; *it was ~d abroad that*—); (rare) make ~. [F, cf. Pr. *noysa*, *nosa*, *nausa*, etym. dub.]

noisette' (nawzhët'), n. Kind of rose, cross between China & musk. [N~, grower, 1817]

noisette' (as prec.), n. (Usu. pl.) small piece(s) of meat cooked in certain way. [F]

nois'orne, a. Harmful, noxious; ill-smelling; objectionable, offensive. Hence ~NESS n. [obs. *noy* for ANNOY n., -SOME]

nois'y (-z), a. Clamorous, turbulent; full of, making much, noise; (of colour, costume, literary style) loud, conspicuous, violent, glaring. Hence ~ily² adv., ~lNESS n. [-Y¹]

nöl'ëus völ'ëus (-z), adv. Willy-nilly, perforce. [L part. =unwilling, willing]

nöl'i mē tdn'gerē (-j-), n. Erosive ulcer(s), lupus; warning against meddling or approach (*carries a ~ in his face*; a ~ manner); picture of Christ as he appeared to Magdalen at sepulchre (*John* xx. 17). [L, =touch me not]

|| **nöl**, n. (now dial.). (Crown of) head. [OE *hnoll*, cf. OHG *hnol*]

nöl'ë prös'ëquē, n. (legal). Relinquishment by plaintiff or prosecutor of (part of) his suit, stay of proceedings, entry of it on record. [L, =to refuse to pursue]

nöl's épiscopos'it, n. (Formula expressing) avoidance of responsible office. [L, =I do not wish to be a bishop]

nöm'ad (äls nö-), n. & a. (Member of tribe) roaming from place to place for pasture; wanderer, wandering. Hence or

cogn. **nomád'ic** a., **nomád'ically** adv., ~ISM(2) n., ~ISM(2) v.i. [f. L f. Gk *nomas* -ados (nemō to pasture)]

nom'ade. Var. (now rare) of prec.

nom de guerre (see Ap.), n. Pseudonym, sobriquet, assumed name under which person fights, plays, writes, etc. [F, = war-name]

nom de plume (see Ap.), n. Writer's pseudonym, title or initials or borrowed name under which he writes. [formed in E of F words=pen-name on anal. of prec.]

nom'enclātor, n. Slave or client in ancient Rome charged with naming persons met, usher assigning places at banquet, (also in mod. use with ref. to these senses); giver or inventor of names, esp. in nat.-hist. classification. [L (*nomen* name, *calare* call, -OR¹)]

nom'enclāture, n. Catalogue, register, (now rare); person's or community's system of names for things; terminology of a science etc.; systematic naming. So ~ATIVE a. [f. L *nomenclatura* (prec., -URE)]

nom'inal, a. Of, as, like, a noun (~ & verbal roots); of, in, names (~ & essential distinctions; ~ definition, statement of all marks connoted in name of concept); existing in name only, not real or actual, (~ & real price, ruler; ~ sum, rent, etc., virtually nothing), whence ~LY² adv.; consisting of, giving, the names (~ list of officers etc.; ~ roll). [f. L *nominatis* (*nomen* -inis name f. *noscere* know, -MEN)]

nom'inalism, n. (philos.). Doctrine that universals or abstract concepts are mere names (opp. *realism*). So ~IST(2) n., ~IST-TO a. [f. F *nominalisme* (prec., -ISM)]

nom'ināte, v.t. Call by the name of, mention by name, name or appoint (date, place), (now rare); appoint, propose for election, to office (a board of six ~ed & six elected members; the candidates were ~ed today), whence or cogn. ~OR², **nom'inate**'r, nn. [f. L *nominare* (NOMINAL), -ATE³]

nom'inā'tion, n. In vbl senses; also, right of nominating for appointment (have a ~ at your service). [f. L *nominatio* (prec., -ATION)]

nom'inative, a. & n. 1. (Case) used as or in agreement with subject of verb, (~ absolute, construction like Latin ablative absolute, as *this being so, I did nothing*); of this case (~ ending, form); word in this case, (loosely) subject (of verb); hence **nom'inativ'AL** a. 2. (pr. -ātiv). Of, appointed by, nomination (the ~ & the elective principles, members). [f. L *nominativus* (NOMINATE, -IVE)]

nom, Latin adv. = not, forming part of phrases: ~ *assump'ti* (he did not undertake), plea that defendant made no promise; ~ *om'pōe* (*mēn'tis*), (not master of his mind), lunatic, mad, (legal, & in gen. used); ~ *es's* (not to be), non-existence; ~ *est inven'tus* (he has not been found),

~ *est*, or ~ *inven'tus*, sheriff's statement, in returning writ, that defendant is not to be found in his bailiwick (legal, & transf. in gen. use); ~ *liq'uel* (it is not clear), jury's verdict in doubtful case deferring matter to another day; ~ *nōb'tis* (not unto us; Ps. cxv), formula attributing victory etc. not to oneself but to God, song of rejoicing; ~ *plā'cet* (it does not please), negative vote in ecclesiastical or university assemblies (also as v.t., throw out); ~ *plūs ūl'tra*, = NE PLUS ULTRA; ~ *pōss'umus* (we cannot), statement of inability, refusal to act or move; ~ *seq'uitur* (it does not follow), illogical inference, paradoxical result.

non-, pref. (AF noun- f. OF *non*, *nom*, *num*, *nun*, f. prec.) now freely prefixed: 1. Usu. to vbl n. giving neg. vbl n. corresp. to *not* w. parent vb, = failure to do, abstention from doing, or rarely to other n. giving neg. abstract n. corresp. to *not* w. connected adj.; ~ *accep'tance*; ~ *ac'cess*, impossibility of access for sexual intercourse (in questions of paternity); ~ *acquain'tance*; ~ *appear'ance* (esp. in court as party or witness); ~ *allen'dance*; ~ *claim*, failure to make claim within legal time; ~ *committ'al*, avoidance of committing oneself to definite course or either side (usu. attrib., as ~ *committal answer*); ~ *compli'ance*; ~ *co-opera'tion* (Indian pol.), refusal or failure to co-operate (with the British); ~ *feas'ance* (-z; legal), omission of act that ought to have been done; ~ *inter'ference*, ~ *inter'ven'tion*, principle or practice, esp. in politics & international affairs, of keeping aloof from others' disputes; ~ *intru'sion* (Church of Scotland), principle that patron shall not thrust unacceptable minister on congregation; ~ *join'der* (legal), omission of partner etc. to join another as party to suit; ~ *pay'ment*; ~ *percep'tion*; ~ *perform'ance*; ~ *resis'tance* (hist.), 17th-c. principle that authority must not be resisted even if unjustly exercised; ~ *success'*; ~ *us'age*; ~ *use'*; ~ *us'er* (legal), neglect to use a right, by which it may become void. 2. To n. of designation, giving n. (occas. w. derivatives)=person, thing, or all, that is not the thing specified; ~ *abstain'er*, one who does not abstain (esp. from liquor); ~ *eg'o* (metaphys.), all that is not the conscious self, the object as opposed to the subject; ~ *mem'ber* (so ~ *mem'bership*); ~ *met'al* (esp. chem.=element that is not a metal; so ~ *metall'ic*). 3. To attrib. n., giving adj. (occas. w. derivatives) that can only be used attributively, = unconnected with, not involving; ~ *jur'y*, tried without jury; ~ *part'y*, that may be dealt with irrespective of political partisanship; ~ *skid'*, (of trees) safe against skidding; ~ *soci'ety*, ~ *un'ion* (also ~ *union'ist*), not belonging to a workman's society or trade

union; ~-stop', (of trains, buses, etc.) not stopping at intermediate stations, halts, etc., (of journey) made without a stop, (n.) ~-stop train, bus, or run, (adv.) without a stop. 4. To adj. (usu. participial in -ant, -ent, -ing, -ate, -ed), giving adj. (& occas. n. or derivatives) = not; ~-beli'gerent a. & n., (country) taking no active part in war; ~-colle'giate, (student) not belonging to a college, (of universities) without colleges; ~-com'balant, (person, esp. in the fighting services, e.g. surgeon, chaplain, ambulance man) who has not to fight, civilian; ~-commi'ssioned, not holding commission (esp. of army officers such as sergeant, corporal, abbr. N.C.O. or non-com.); ~-commu'n'icant, (person) who does not attend the communion service; ~-conduc'ting, that will not conduct heat or electricity (so ~-conduc'tor, ~-conducting medium or substance; ~-conductibil'ity); || ~-content, voter against motion in House of Lords; ~-essen'tial a. & n.; ~-Euclid'e'an, denying or dispensing with any of the assumptions of Euclid's geometry; ~-exis'tent, -exis'tence; ~-flam'm'able, (of flannel etc.) not inflammable; ~-jur'ing, jur'or, (juror; hist.), (beneficed clergyman) who refused oath of allegiance to William & Mary; ~-off'ice-holding etc.; || ~-provid'ed, (of schools) other than PROVIDED. 5. To adj. requiring a neutral negative form free from some special sense, usu. of condemnation, attached to the compd in -un-, = not coming under the description of, not; ~-effec'tive, (soldier, sailor) not qualified for active service (cf. INEFFECTIVE); ~-hūm'an, not belonging to human race (cf. INHUMAN); ~-lo'gical, proceeding by other means than logic (cf. ILLOGICAL); ~-mo'ral, unconcerned with morality (cf. IMMORAL); ~-na'tural, deviating from the natural order (cf. UNNATURAL). 6. To adv., as ~-conten'tiously.

non'age, n. Being under age, minority; immaturity, early stage. [OF (prec., AGE)]

nonagénar'ian, a. & n. (Person) between 80 & 100 years old. [f. L *nonagenarius* (*nonagēni* 90 each, -ARY¹), -IAN]

non'ary, a. & n. (Arith., of SCALE² of notation) having nine as basis; (n.) group of nine. [f. L *nonarius* (*nonus* ninth, -ARY¹)]

nonce, n. Time being, present occasion, (only in for the ~); ~-word, coined for one occasion. [ME to, *for, than *anes* = (for) the ONCE, cf. NEWT]

non'chal'ant (-sh-), a. Unexcited, unmoved, cool, indifferent. Hence ~-ANON n., ~-antix³ adv. [F. part. of *nonchaloir* (NON-, L *calere* be warm)]

nonconform'ist, n. One who does not conform to doctrine or discipline of an established Church, esp. member of sect dissenting from Anglican Church (usu.

not including Roman Catholics), protestant dissenter (the ~ conscience, opinions as to right & wrong prevalent among ~s esp. as affecting their political attitude). [NON-(2)]

nonconform'ity, n. Principles, practice, the body, of nonconformists, protestant dissent; failure to conform (to rule etc.); want of correspondence between things. [NON-(2)]

non'descript, a. & n. (Person, thing) not easily classified, neither one thing nor another, hybrid. [NON-(4), L *descriptus* (DESCRIBE)]

none (nūn), pron., a., & adv. 1. Not any of (~ of them came; ~ of them is, or are, acc. to sense required; ~ of this concerns me; ~ of your impudence!); no person, no one, (now rare; ~ can tell); no persons (~ but fools have ever believed it). 2. adj. (rarely with noun; usu. ellipt.=no with reference defined by noun previously used or shortly to follow). No, not any, not to be counted in specified class, (make of ~ effect, arch.; you have money & I have ~; he is ~ of my friends, ~ of your canting hypocrites; his understanding is ~ of the clearest; this is ~ other but the house of God; seeking rest & finding ~; if a linguist is wanted, I am ~; would rather have a bad reputation than ~ at all; poetry we have almost ~). 3. adv. By no amount, not at all, (w. the & comparat., so, or too; am ~ the better for it; ~ the less, = NEVERtheless; are ~ so fond of him; the pay is ~ too high). [OE *nān* (ne not, ONE)]

nonen'tity, n. 1. (non-). Non-existence, non-existent thing, figment. 2. (non-). Person or thing of no importance, cipher. [NON-(2)]

nonēs, n. pl. 1. (Rom. Ant.) ninth day by inclusive reckoning before IDES, i.e. 7th of Mar., May, July, Oct., & 5th of other months. 2. (Eccl.) daily office orig. said at ninth hour or 8 p.m. [sense 1 f. L *nonae*, sense 2 pl. of rare *none* f. L *nona*, (*nonus* ninth); cf. NOON]

nonesuch. See NONSUCH.

nonēt', n. (mus.). Composition for nine instruments or voices. [f. It. *nonetto* (*nono* ninth f. L *nonus*)]

nonill'ion (-yon), n. || Ninth power of million, 1 with 54 ciphers. [see NONARY, BILLION]

non'ius, n. Contrivance for graduating mathematical instruments, of which the VERNIER is an improved form. [Latinized from Nunes, Portuguese inventor]

nonpareil' (-rēl), a. & n. Unrivalled or unique (person, thing); (Print.) size of TYPE; kinds of comfit, apple, bird, wheat, moth, etc. [F (NON-, L *par* equal, *culdim*.)]

nonplus', n., & v.t. (-ss-). 1. State of perplexity, standstill, (usu. at a ~, perplexed, reduces etc. to a ~). 2. v.t. Reduce to hopeless perplexity. [f. L *non plus* not more]

nōn-rēs'idjənt (-z-), a. & n. (Clergyman) not residing where his duties require him, absentee (incumbent); (person) sojourning in place only for short time or residing elsewhere. So ~ENCE n. [NON-(2)]

nōn'sense, n. & int. 1. Absurd or meaningless words or ideas, foolish or extravagant conduct; arrangement etc. that one disapproves of. 2. int. You are talking or proposing ~, it surely cannot be true, etc. 3. ~book, meant to amuse by absurdity; ~verses, having no sense or an absurd one. Hence **nōnsēn'sical** a., **nōnsēn'sicalry** adv. [NON-(2)]

nōn'sūch, **none'sūch** (nūns-), n. Person or thing that is unrivalled, paragon; kind of lucerne. [NONE, SUCH, usu. now assim. to NON-]

nōn'suit (-fɪt), n., & v.t. 1. Stoppage of suit by judge when plaintiff fails to make out legal case or bring sufficient evidence. 2. v.t. Subject (plaintiff) to ~. [NON-(2)]

nōn'us. See PRIMUS¹.

nōō'dle¹, n. Simploton. Hence ~DOM n. [?]
nōō'dle², n. Strip of dough made of flour & eggs, dried & used in soups. [f. G *nudel* vermicelli]

nōok, n. Out-of-the-way corner, recess, secluded place. [?]

nōon, n. Twelve o'clock in the day, midday; ~day, ~tide, midday. [OE *nōn* f. L *nona* (hora) ninth hour; orig.=3 p.m.]

nōose, n., & v.t. 1. Loop with running knot, tightening as string is pulled, esp. in snare, lasso, or hangman's halter; the marriage tie; snare or bond. 2. v.t. Capture with ~, ensnare; make ~ on (cord); arrange (cord) in ~ round neck etc. [cf. OF *nous* f. L *nodus* knot]

nōp'al, n. American cactus grown in plantations for breeding cochineal. Hence ~RY(3) n. [Sp., f. Mex. *nopalli* cactus]

nor (nɔr, nor), adv. & conj. 1. (arch.). Neither (as the first *nor* in ~gold ~silver). 2. conj. And not, & no more, neither, & not either, (*had neither arms ~ provisions; not a man ~ a child was to be seen; I said I had not seen it, ~ had I; all that is true, ~ must we forget*; also poet. & arch. v. omission of preceding *neither* or ~, as *thou ~ I have made the world*). [prob. f. obs. *nother* (OE *nd* see NATHLESS, WRETHTER)]

nor'. Shortened form of NORTH.

Nōrd'enfält, n. Kind of machine-gun. [Swedish inventor]

Nōrd'ic, a. (ethnol.). Of the tall blond dolichocephalic race found in northern Europe esp. in Scandinavia (of more limited application than *Teutonic*). [G *nord* north + IC]

Nōrf'olk (-ok), n. English county (|| ~capon, red herring; || ~dumpling, turkey, inhabitant or native of ~; || ~Howard, al., bed-bug; ~jacket, man's loose jacket with waistband; ~plover, stone-curlew).

|| **nōrf'and**, n. Northern region. [for north-]

nōrm, n. Standard, pattern, type. [f. L *norma* carpenter's square]

nōrm'al, a. & n. 1. (Geom.) standing at right angles, perpendicular; conforming to standard, regular, usual, typical; ~school, for training teachers; hence **nōrm'al'ity** (also irreg. ~ty) n., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n., ~LY² adv. 2. n. (Geom.) ~line; (Physics) average or mean of observed quantities; usual state, level, etc., ~temperature (98.4°) of human body. [f. L *normalis* (prec., -AL)]

Nōrm'an, n. & a. 1. Inhabitant or native of Normandy, descendant of mixed Scandinavian & Frankish race there established; = ~French below; = ~style below. 2. adj. Of the ~s (*Conquest*, of England by ~s 1066; ~English, English as spoken or influenced by ~s; ~French, French as spoken by ~s or later in English law-courts; ~style in architecture, whence ~ESQUE', pr. -ɛsk, a.); hence ~ISM(2, 4) n., ~IZE(3, 4) v.t. & i., ~IZA'TION n. [f. OF *Normans* pl. f. Teut. *NORTHMAN*]

Nōrn, n. One of the female fates of Scandinavian mythology. [ON, etym. dub.]

|| **Nō'rroy**, n. Third king of Arms, with jurisdiction north of the Trent. [f. AF *nor-NORTH*, *roy* king]

Nōrse, n. & a. 1. The Norwegian language (*Old* ~, language of Norway & its colonies down to 14th c.). 2. adj. Norwegian, of Norway, so ~land, ~man. [prob. f. Du. *noorsch* (noord NORTH, -ISH²)]

Nōrsk, n. & a. =prec. [Scand.]

nōrth, adv., n., & a., (abbr. N.; in comp. & deriv. often shortened to *nor'*). 1. Towards or in the region lying to right of observer on equator at equinox who faces setting sun (e.g. BY east etc.; ~ of, further ~ than; DUE¹ ~; lies etc. ~ & south, lengthwise along line running between ~ & south); ~east', ~west', (abbr. NE., NW.), adv., nn., & aa., (regions) midway between ~ & east, west, ~east', ~west', (abbr. NNE., NNW.), adv., nn., & aa., (regions) midway between ~ & east, ~west, (with uses & derivatives corresponding to those of north; so esp. ~east'ly, ~west'ly, ~east'ern, ~west'ern, ~east'ward, ~west'ward, ~east'wardly, ~west'wardly, see NORTHERLY etc.; ~east, ~west, passage, passages for ships along northern coasts of Europe & Asia, northern coast of America, formerly thought of as possible routes to E., & from Atlantic to Pacific; the N~west, = NW. territories of Canada; hence ~WARD adv., n., & a., ~WARDS adv. & n. 2. n. Cardinal point lying ~ (magnetic ~, point indicated by ~ end of compass-needle); northern part of England (beyond Humber), Great Britain, Scotland, Ireland, or Europe; *northern States in which slavery did not exist; northern part of any country; ~wind. 3. adj. Situated, dwelling, in or more towards the ~ (N~Germany, Wales,

America; the N~ Germans; ~ latitude; ~ POLE², whence ~-pôl'AR a.; ~ transept); facing ~ (~ window, aspect); coming from the ~ (~ wind; ~ light, esp. as desired by painters); N~ Britain, Scotland (abbr. N.B. in addresses); N~ Briton, Scot.; ||N~ Country, ~ part of England or Great Britain (N~coun'tryman, native of northern England; ~coun'try, from or characteristic of N~ Country); N~land (poet.), northern lands, northern part of a country; ~ light, Aurora Borealis; N~man, native of Norway or Scandinavia; N~ Sea, between Britain, Netherlands, Germany, & Scandinavia; N~ star, POLE²-star. [com. Teut.; OE north, cf. Du. noord, G nord]

north-east'er, n. NE. wind. [-ER¹]

***north'er**, n. Strong cold north wind blowing in autumn & winter over Texas, Florida, & Gulf of Mexico. [-ER¹]

north'erly (-dh-), a. & adv. = foll. (rare); (of direction) towards the north; (of wind) blowing from the north or thereabouts. [f. NORTH AS EASTERLY]

north'ern (-dh-), a. & n. 1. Living or situated in, coming from, the north esp. of England or Europe; *of the NORTH; (of wind) northerly (rare); characteristic of the north (a pallid ~ day); ~ lights, Aurora Borealis; hence ~ER¹(4) n., ~MOST a. 2. n. ~er. [-ERN]

north'ing, n. Northward progress or deviation in sailing or travelling (*two miles ~; have made very little ~*). [-ING¹]

Northum'brian, a. & n. (Native, dialect) of ancient Northumbria (England N. of Humber) or modern Northumberland. [Northumber, person living beyond Humber, + -IAN]

north'wardly, adv. & a. Northwards; (of wind) northerly. [-LY¹]

north-west'er, n. NW. wind. [-ER¹]

nôr'ward(s) (-z). = NORTHWARD(s).

Nôrwe'gian (-jn), a. & n. (Native, language) of Norway. [f. med. L *Norvegia* + -AN, w. assim. to *Norway*]

nôr'-west'er, n. North-wester; glass of strong liquor; oilskin hat, sou'-wester. [NOR¹-]

nôse (nôz), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Member of face or head placed above mouth containing nostrils & serving as organ of smell (*as plain as the ~ in your face*, easily seen; *bite or snap one's ~ off*, answer him snappishly; *count or tell ~s*, count supporters etc., decide question by mere numbers; *cut off one's ~ to spite one's face*, indulge pique at one's own expense; *follow one's ~*, go straight forward, be guided by instinct; *keep ~ to grindstone*; *LEAD¹ by the ~*; *make LONG¹ ~*; ~ of wax, person or thing easily influenced or moulded; *parson's ~*, rump of cooked fowl; *pay through the ~*, be overcharged, have to pay exorbitant prices; *poke, thrust, etc.*, one's ~, pry or intrude into something; *put*

one's ~ out of joint, supplant or disconcert or frustrate him; *speck through one's ~*, pronounce with nasal twang; *turn up one's ~ at*, show disdain for; *under one's ~*, straight before him, regardless of his displeasure. 2. Sense of smell (*has a good ~*, esp. of dogs, & fig. of detectives etc.). 3. || Odour, perfume, of hay, tea, etc. 4. Open end or nozzle of pipe, tube, bellows, retort, etc. 5. Prow; projecting part. 6. ~ape, proboscis-monkey; ~bag, containing fodder for hanging to horse's head; ~band, lower band of bridle passing over ~ & attached to cheek-straps; ~dive, aeroplane's downward plunge (v.i., make this); ~flute, musical instrument blown with ~ among Siamese, Fijians, etc.; ~gay [GAY in obs. n. use = toy], bunch of (esp. sweet-scented) flowers; ~monkey, proboscis-monkey; ~piece, = ~band, also part of microscope to which object-glass is attached; ~pipe, piece of piping used as nozzle; ~rag (sl.), pocket-handkerchief; ~ring, fixed in ~ of bull etc. for leading, also ornament worn by savages; ~warmer (sl.), short pipe; hence (-)NÔSEP² (-zd), ~LESS (-zl-), aa. 7. vb. Perceive smell of, discover by smell, (fig.) detect (~s a job in everything), smell out; rub with the ~, thrust ~ against or into; sniff (*at*, about adv. & prep.), pry or search (*after*, for); push one's way, push (one's way), with the ~ (esp. of ship); (of strata etc.) dip in, baset out. [OE *nosu*, cf. MLG *nose*, Du. *neus*, also *Ness*]

nôs'er (-z-), n. Strong head wind (esp. dead ~). [prec., -ER¹]

nôs'ing (-z-), n. Rounded edge of step, moulding, etc., or metal shield for it. [NÔSE, -ING¹]

noso-, comb. form of Gk *nosos* disease, as *nosôGRAPHY*, systematic description of diseases; *nosôLOGY*, (branch of medical science dealing with) classification of diseases (so *NÔSOLOGICAL*, *nosôLOGIST*).

nôstäl'gia, n. Home-sickness as a disease. Hence ~IO a. [f. Gk *nostos* return home, Gk *algos* pain, -IA¹]

nôs'toc, n. Kinds of gelatinous blue-green algae. [name invented by Parnocels]

Nôstradâm'us, n. Prediction-monger, professed seer. [Latinized f. M. de *Nostradame*, French physician who made prophecies 1555]

nôs'tril, n. Either opening in nose admitting air to lungs & smells to olfactory nerves (*stink in one's ~s*, be offensive to him). Hence (-)~LED² (-ld) a. [OE *nosthyrl* (NÔSE, obs. *thirl* f. OE *thyrel* hole, cf. *THRILL*)]

nôs'trum, n. Medicine prepared by person recommending it, quack remedy, patent medicine; pet scheme for political or social reform, special device. [L, neut. of *noster* our, my]

nôs'y (-z-), a. & n. Large-nosed (person);

esp. of Duke of Wellington); ill-smelling (esp. of heated corn, mouldy hay, etc.); fragrant (of tea); sensitive to bad smells; (sl.) inquisitive (|| esp. *N* ~ *Parker*, busy-body). [-'t]

nót, n't (see below), adv. 1. Negativizing & following ordinary verbs (arch. for usu. neg. form with *do*; *I know ~*; *I doubt ~*; *say ~ so*; *fear ~*; *saidst thou ~?*). 2. (Often *n't* joined to word) negativizing auxiliaries & *vb* *be*, & following them or (in questions having *not* in full) their subjects (*I cannot or can't say*; *he will ~ or won't*, or arch. *he'll ~, come*; *she is ~, isn't*, or vulg. *arch. here*; *do ~*, or usu. *don't*, *stir*; *didn't you*, or formally *did you ~, tell me?*; *am I ~, or ain't I, aren't we, smart?*). 3. Negativizing & preceding participles & infinitives (*~ knowing*, *I cannot say*; *begged him ~ to move*). 4. Used elliptically for negative sentence or verb or phrase (*Are you ill? Not at all*. *Not so*. *If it clears we will go out*; *if ~*. *Popular or ~, it is right*. *I would as soon do it as ~*); preceding that with sense *it is ~ to be inferred, however, that*, or *but what* or (formal) *but that* or (arch.) *but with sense all the same or nevertheless* (*If he said so ~ that he ever did—he lied*. *I cannot do it; ~ but what etc. a stronger man might*). 5. Preceding word etc. that is to be rejected for one that follows with *but* or to emphasize by contrast one already used (*He is ~ my son, but yours, or but my nephew*. *He is your son, ~ or & ~ mine*). 6. Preceding emphatic appended pronoun (*the Chinese will ~ fight, ~ they*). 7. Preceding a with sense *~ one* (*~ a hair of your head shall be touched*). 8. Preceding in litotes or periphrasis a word of opposite sense to that required (*~ a few, ~ seldom; ~ once or or nor twice, many times; ~ unconnected with; ~ reluctant, only too glad*). 9. *~ at home; ~ being*, non-existence; || *~ half* (adv. sl.), very, very much, (*'Was he annoyed?' 'Not half', i.e. yes, exceedingly*); || *out; ~ self*, = *non-ego; ~ sufficient*, or usu. *N.S.*, banker's mark on dis honoured cheque. (contr. of *NOTHING*)

nót'a bèn'é, *vb* imperat. (abbr. *N.B.*). Observe what follows, take notice, (usu. drawing attention to a qualification of what has preceded). [*L.* = *note well*]

nótability, *n.* Prominent person, (rare) notable object or thing worth seeing worthiness of notice (*names of no historical ~*); || (arch.) housewifely skill. [*fol.* -*BILITY*]

nót'able, *a. & n.* 1. Worthy of note, remarkable, striking, eminent; (Ohem. perceptible (*a ~ quantity of*); (of women occas. *pr.* *nót-*) capable, bustling, housewifely; hence **nót'abur'** adv. 2. *n.* Eminent person (esp. *Assembly of N-~s*, irregular council serving as temporary parliament in emergencies); [*F.* *f.* *L. notabilis* (*NOTE*¹, -*ABLE*)]

nót'ar'y, *n.* Person publicly authorized to draw up or attest contracts etc., protest bills of exchange etc., & perform other formalities (chiefly used about foreign countries; also ~ *public*). Hence **notár'ial a.**, **notár'ial'y** adv. [*f. L. notarius* secretary (*NOTE*^{1, 2}, -*ARY*)]

notá'tion, *n.* Representing of numbers, quantities, pitch and duration of sound, etc., by symbols; any set of symbols used for this, esp. in Arith., Alg., & Mus.; *SCALE*³ of ~. [*f. L. notatio* (*NOTE*¹, -*ATION*)]

nótch, *n., & v.t.* 1. V-shaped indentation in edge or on convex surface; notch made on stick etc. by way of keeping count, (now rare) run scored at cricket; **defile*, *pass*; ~-*wing*, kinds of moth; hence ~-*Y*³, ~-*ED*² (-*cht*; *Bot., Zool.*), aa. 2. *v.t.* Make ~-es in; make into saw etc. by ~-ing; score (items etc.; often *up, down*) by ~-es; make (number of runs) at cricket; secure or insert (steps in staircase etc.) by ~-es. [*f. F. coche* with (*a*) prefixed, cf. *NEXT*]

nóte¹, *n.* 1. Written sign representing pitch & duration of a musical sound; key of pianoforte etc.; single tone of definite pitch made by musical instrument, voice, etc.; (single tone in) bird's song or call; significant sound or way of expressing oneself (*there is a ~ of self-complacency in his voice*; *sound the ~ of war*; *change one's ~*, become suddenly more, or less, aggressive, humble, etc.). 2. Sign, token, characteristic, distinguishing feature, proof of genuineness, guarantee consisting of, (*these are the ~s of Neo-paganism; catholicity is one ~ of the true Church; has the ~ of catholicity*); stigma, mark of censure, (*on which the law has set a ~ of infamy*); mark of exclamation or admiration, interrogation. 3. Brief record of facts, impressions, or topics for speech or article (usu. pl.; *make or take a ~ of, ~s*; *COMPARE ~s*; *preaches from ~s*; *spoke for an hour without a ~*); annotation appended to passage in book etc.; short or informal letter; formal diplomatic communication; (usu. ~ *of hand*) written promise to pay sum by certain time; || *BANK*³ ~; *CIRCULAR* ~. 4. Eminence (*critic, philosopher, person, of ~, distinguished*); notice, attention, (*worthy of ~; take ~ of*), whence ~-*WORTHY* (-*twérðhi*) *a.* 5. ~-*book*, for entering memoranda in; ~-*paper*, kinds used for (esp. private) correspondence. Hence ~-*LESS* *a.*, ~-*LET* *n.*, (-*ti*). [*OF, f. L. nota* mark]

nóte², *v.t.* Observe, notice, give attention to; set down, set down, as thing to be remembered or observed; annotate (book etc.); (p.p.) celebrated, well known for. [*f. OF noter f. L. notare* (prec.)]

no'thing (*nú-*), *n. & adv.* 1. No thing (with *adj.* following, as ~ *great is easy*). 2. Not anything, nought, (*has ~ in him*, is insignificant or without individuality; *there is ~ in it*, it is untrue or unimportant,

& see IN¹; ~ *doing*, sl. announcement of failure or refusal of request; ~ *venture* ~ *have*, excuse for or encouragement to bold action; ~ *like* LEATHER; NECK or ~; *dance on* ~, be hanged; *fade away* etc. to ~, disappear gradually; *no* ~, colloq., conclusion of negative list, as *no bread, no butter, no cheese, no*; ~ *else than or but*, ~ *but*, force etc., merely force etc., force etc. alone, unmistakable force etc.; *there is* ~ *for it but to*, no alternative; ~ *if not critical* etc., critical as leading characteristic; *get thing for* ~, gratis; *have endured it for* ~, to no purpose; *so it was not for* ~ *that he read Plato*; *that is* ~ *to you*, not your concern; *make* ~ *of*, treat as trifle; *make* ~ *of doing*, do without hesitation or as ordinary matter; *can make* ~ *of*, cannot understand, find solution of, use, develop, or deal with: *come to* ~, turn out useless, fail, not amount to anything; *have* ~ *to do with*, not be concerned with, avoid dealing with or society of; *all to* ~, longest odds. 3. Trifle, very inferior thing, (*that is* ~, i.e. in comparison with what I am going to tell you; *he is* ~ *without his money*; *learning is* ~ *to*, i.e. compared with, *genius*). 4. (Arith.) no amount, nought, (*multiply 6 by* ~, & *the result is* ~). 5. Non-existence, what does not exist. 6. (With a & pl.) trifling thing, event, remark, or person (*the little* ~ *of life*; *whisper soft* ~; *the new commander-in-chief was a* ~). 7. (Of religious belief) be ~, belong to no denomination, be an atheist or agnostic, whence ~AL'IAN n. 8. adv. Not at all, in no way, (*differs* ~ *from*; *is* ~ *less than monstrous*, positively; *helps us* ~; *avails* ~; *is* ~ *like as or so good* etc.; *is* ~ *near so extensive*; IO(ARY); *(as int., colloq.) not at all (*Is it gold?* Gold ~; *it's pinchbeck*). [NO¹, THING]

no'thingness (nū-), n. Non-existence, the non-existent; worthlessness, triviality, unimportance, insignificance, trifles. [-NESS]
no'tice, n., & v.t. 1. Intimation, intelligence, warning, (*give, have, ~; at short ten minutes'*, etc., ~, with such time for preparation); placard etc. conveying information or directions. 2. Formal intimation of something or instructions to do something (~ *to QUIT*; till FURTHER ~); announcement by party to agreement that it is to terminate at specified time (esp. between landlord & tenant or employer & employed; *give a week's* etc. ~). 3. Heed, attention, cognizance, observation, (*come into* ~, attract attention *takes no* ~ *of it*, does not observe it, or takes no action in consequence of it *brought it to his* ~; *take* ~ *that*, I warn you that; *baby takes* ~, shows signs of intelligence). 4. Paragraph or article upon something in newspaper, esp. review of book, play, etc. 5. ~board, bearing ~ or provided for ~s to be posted on. 6. v.t.

Remark upon, speak of. 7. Perceive, take ~ of; treat with politeness or condescension. 8. Serve with ~, give ~ to, (*was* ~ *to quit*); hence ~ABLE a., ~ably¹ adv. [F, f. L *notitia* (notus p.p. of *noscere* know, -ICE)]

no'tifiable, a. (Of diseases) that must be notified to public-health authorities. [-ABLE]

no'tify, v.t. Make known, announce, report; inform, give notice to, (person of, that, or abs.). Hence **no'tifica'tion** n. [f. F *notifier* f. L *notificare* (NOTICE, -FY)]

no'tion, n. 1. General concept under which particular thing may be classed (in Philos., first, second, ~, = first, second, INTENTION). 2. Idea, conception, (*the* ~ *of my doing it is absurd*; *what he means I have not the haziest* ~); view, opinion, theory, (*has a* ~ *that*; *such is the common* ~). 3. Faculty, capability, or intention of (*has no* ~ *of obeying, obedience, discipline, letting himself be made a fool of*). 4. *Something in the way of miscellaneous wares, esp. cheap useful ingenious article. 5. pl. || Traditional special vocabulary of Winchester College. [f. L *notio* (NOTICE, -ION)]

no'tional (-sho-), a. (Of knowledge etc.) speculative, not based on experiment or demonstration, whence ~IST(2) n., ~LY¹ adv.; (of things, relations, etc.) existing only in thought, imaginary; (of persons) fanciful. [f. med. L *notionalis* (prec., -AL)]

no'to-, comb. form of Gk *nōton* back, in scientific terms, as ~branch'iate (-ngk-), having dorsal gills; *no'tochord*, cartilaginous band forming basis of spinal column; ~nec'ta [Gk *nēktēs* swimmer], water-beetle swimming on back, the boat-fly.

Nōtogae'a (-jōa), n. Zoological region comprising Australian, New-Zealand, & neotropical regions. [f. Gk *notos* south, *gaia* land]

no'to'rious, a. (Of facts) well or commonly known (esp. *it is* ~ *that*); (with designations of persons, conduct, etc., that imply condemnation) undisguised, talked of, generally known to deserve the name, (~ *smuggler, offender, vice*); unfavourably known (for some quality or conduct, or abs.; *a ship* ~ *for ill-luck*; the ~ *Titus Oates*). Hence or cogn. **no'tori'ety** n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *notorius* (NOTICE, -ORY), -OUS]

Notre-Dame (nōtre dahn'), n. The Cathedral of Paris. [F, =Our Lady]

no'twiths'tand'ing, prep., adv., & conj. 1. In spite of, not the less for, (~ *his resistance*; *this* ~. The second order is the orig., the prep. having been developed f. a part. abs.). 2. adv. Nevertheless, all the same. 3. conj. (arch.). (Developed from prep. or part. abs. with *that*, still occas. retained) although, in spite of the fact (*that*). [NOT, WITHSTAND, -ING¹]

nougat (nōg'ah), n. Sweetmeat of sugar, nuts, etc. [F (L *nux nucle* nut, -are¹)]

nought (nawt), n. Nothing (poet., arch., & Arith.; *come, bring, to ~*, be ruined or fall, ruin or baffle; *set at ~*, disregard, ridicule); figure 0, cipher, (~s & crosses, child's game). [OE *nōwilt* (ne not, see AUGUST, NAUGHT)]

noum'énjōn, n. (pl. ~a). Object of intellectual intuition devoid of all phenomenal attributes. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv. [f. Gk *nooumenon* neut. pres. part. pass. of *noōō* apprehend, taken by Kant as antithesis to *phenomenon*]

noun, n. (gram.). Word used as name of person or thing, substantive; (formerly) substantive or adjective (~ *substantive*, ~; ~ *adjective*, adjective). Hence ~AL a. (rare). [AF, f. OF *nom*, *nom*, f. L *nomen* name (*noscere* KNOW, -MENT)]

nou'rish (nū-), v.t. Sustain with food (lit. & fig.), whence ~ING² a.; foster, cherish, nurse, (feeding, hope, etc.) in one's heart. [f. OF *noirir* (-ish²) f. L *nutrire*]

nou'rishment (nū-), n. Sustenance, food; nourishing. [f. OF *nourissement* (prec., -MENT)]

nous, n. (Gk philos.) mind, intellect; (colloq.) common sense, gumption. [Gk]

nouveau riche (nōv'ō' rōsh'), n. Wealthy parvenu. [AF, =new rich]

nōv'el, n. 1. One of the tales in such a collection as Boccaccio's *Decameron*. 2. Fictitious prose narrative of sufficient length to fill one or more volumes portraying characters & actions representative of real life in continuous plot; *the ~*, this type of literature; whence ~ESE' (-éz) n. 3. (Rom. law) new decree supplementary to the Codex. [f. lt. *novella* f. L neut. pl. as foll.]

nōv'el², a. Of new kind or nature, strange, hitherto unknown. [OF, f. L *novellus* dim. of *novus* new]

nōvel'ette, n. Short novel, story of moderate length; (Mus.) piano piece of free form with several themes. [-ETTE]

nōv'elist, n. Novel-writer. Hence ~ISTIC a. [-IST]

nōv'elize, v.t. Convert (drama, facts) into a novel. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

nōv'elty, n. New or unusual thing or occurrence; novel character of something. [f. OF *novellé* (NOVEL², -TY)]

Novem'ber, n. Eleventh month. [L (*novem* nine); cf. DECEMBER]

novér'cal, a. Stepmotherly. [f. L *novercalis* (*noverca* stepmother, -AL)]

nōv'ice, n. Person received in religious house on probation before taking the vows; new convert; inexperienced person, beginner, tiro. [OF, f. L *novicius* (*novus* new, -trious¹)]

novi'ciate, -tiate, (-sh-), n. Novice's probationary period or initiation or apprenticeship; novice; quarters assigned to novices. [f. F *noviciat* f. med. L *novitiatus* (prec., -ATE¹)]

nōv'ocaine, n. (pharm.). A regional

anaesthetic. [P; f. L *novus* new + (co)-CAINE]

now, adv., conj., & n. 1. adv. At the present time; by this time; under the present circumstances (*I cannot ~ ever believe you again; ~ that I know you, it is different*); immediately (*must go ~*); in the immediate past (*just ~*, & arch. *even, but, ~*); (in narrative) then, next, by that time, (*Caesar ~ marched east; it was ~ clear*); (*every ~ & then or again*, from time to time, intermittently; ~ . . . ~, ~ . . . then, ~ . . . & again, at one moment — at another; ~ or never¹, this is the nick of time. 2. (Without temporal force, giving various tones, soothing, reproving, explanatory, threatening, etc., to sentence) pray, I beg, I insist, I warn you, & yet, you must know, it must be admitted, surely, (*Now what do you mean by it? Oh, come ~! No nonsense ~! You have revealed the secret; ~ you were paid to keep it. Now Barabbas was a robber. Now this was bad enough, but —. Now then, what mischief are you at? You don't mean it, ~*). 3. conj. (Orig., as often still, *now* adv. followed by *that*) consequently upon or simultaneously with the fact that (*Now I am a man I think otherwise. Now you mention it, I do remember*). 4. n. This time, the present, (chiefly after prep.; *is there by, ere, till, ~, from ~ till, etc.; read the future in the ~*). [Aryan; OE *nu*, also in all older Teut. langg., cf. Skr. *nu*, Gk *nun*, L *nunc*]

now'aday, a. Of nowadays. [f. foll.]

now'adays (-z), adv. & n. (At) the present day, (in) these advanced or newfangled times. [NOW adv., A², DAY, -ES]

Nowel (nōl'), int. expr. joy in Christmas carols. [f. OF *noel* f. L *NATALIS*]

nō'where (-hwā, -wū), adv. In, at, to, no place (~ *near*, not nearly; *be, come in, ~*, not be placed in race or competition). [NO¹, WHERE]

nō'xious (-kshus), a. Harmful, unwholesome. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *noxius* (*noxa* harm), -OUS]

noyade (nwahyad'), n. Execution by drowning, esp. wholesale as in France in 1794. [F]

noyau (nwahyō'), n. Liqueur of brandy flavoured with fruit-kernels. [F (L *nux* *nucis* nut, -AL)]

nōz'zle, n. Spout, mouthpiece, end fitted to hose etc. [NOSSE, -LE(1)]

n't. See NOT.

nū, n. Greek letter (*N, n*) = n. [Gk]

nuance (see Ap.), n. Delicate difference in or shade of meaning, feeling, opinion, colour, etc. [F, f. *nuer* to shade, ult. f. L *nubes* cloud]

nūb, **nūb'ble**, nn. Small knob or lump, esp. of coal. Hence **nūbb'ly** a. [=KNOB]

nūb'ble, a. Marriageable (esp. of women). Hence **nūbil'ity** n. [f. L *nubilis* (*nubere* become wife)]

nū'chal (-kl), a. Of nape of neck. [f. med. *L. nucha* spinal cord, of Arab. orig.]

nūci-, comb. form of *L. nūc nūcis* nut, as *nūci'ferous*, *nūci'form*, *nūci'vorous*.

nūc'lé'ole, n. (biol.). Nucleus of or within a nucleus. Hence *nūlar*¹, *nūlāt'ed* [-ATE²], aa., *nūlo-* comb. form. [f. *L. nucleolus* dim. of foll.]

nūc'lé'us, n. (pl. -i). (Astron.) condensed part of comet's head; (Phys.) positively charged central portion constituting main mass of atom; central part or thing round which others are collected, kernel of aggregate or mass, beginning meant to receive additions, central part of ovule, seed, plant-cell, animal cell, etc., portion of medullary matter from which nerves spring, (the ~ of a sun-spot, community, library, story, empire, etc.). Hence *nūAL*, *nūAR* (esp. of atomic ~), *nūARY*, aa., *nūo-* comb. form. [f. *L. nucula* dim. of *nūc nūcis* nut]

nūde, a. & n. 1. Naked, bare, unclothed, undraped, (~ *contract* in law, lacking a consideration & therefore void unless under seal); so *nūd'i-* comb. form (zool.). *nūd'iv* n.; (as colour adj., esp. of stockings) flesh-coloured. 2. n. ~ figure in painting or sculpture; *the ~*, the undraped figure, undraped statue. Hence *nūd'ist* n., adherent of the cult. of the ~ (also attrib., as *nudist colony*). [f. *L. nudus*]

nūdge, v.t., & n. 1. Push slightly with elbow to draw attention privately, (fig.) draw attention of. 2. n. Such push. [?]

nū'gae (-gē, -jē), n. pl. Trifles, learned triflings, profitless minutiae. [L]

nūg'atory, a. Trifling, worthless, futile; inoperative, not valid. [f. *L. nugatorius* (*nugari* trifle f. prec., -ORY)]

nūgg'ar, n. Large broad-beamed boat used on upper Nile. [native]

nūgg'et (-g-), n. Rough lump of native gold. [?]

nūis'ance (nūs-), n. Anything injurious or obnoxious to the community or member of it for which legal remedy may be had (|| *commit no ~*, notice to public not to defile place); obnoxious person, offensive object, annoying action, anything disagreeable. [OF (*nuire* nūis- f. *L. nocēre* hurt, -ANCE)]

nūll, a. & n. Not binding, invalid, (often ~ & void); without character or expression; non-existent, amounting to nothing, (rare); || (n.) dummy letter in a cipher. [f. *L. nullus* (ne not, ullus any)]

nūll'a bōm'a, n. Sheriff's return stating that party has no goods to be distrained upon. [L. = no goods]

nūll'ah (-a), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Stream, watercourse, ravine. [f. Hind. *nala*]

nūll'ify, v.t. Cancel, neutralize. So *nūf'ication* n. [f. LL *nūtificare* (NULL, -FY)]

nūll'ipōre, n. Kind of marine vegetation. [f. *L. nullus* ne + *porus*¹]

nūll'ity, n. Being null, invalidity, (esp. ~ of marriage; ~ *suit*, for this); act, document, etc., that is null; nothingness; a mere nothing; a nonentity. [f. med. *L. nullitas* (NULL, -ITY)]

nūmb (-m), a., & v.t. 1. Deprived of feeling or power of motion (~ *with cold* etc.); ~fish, the Electric Ray or Torpedo; ~skull, NUMSKULL; hence *nūly*² (-mlt) adv., *nūNESS* (-mn-) n. 2. v.t. Make ~, (fig.) stupefy, paralyse. [earlier *num* p.p. of obs. *nīm* take, com.-Teut., cf. G *nehmen*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *nemō* occupy]

nūm'ber¹, n. (written N^o, for *numero* = in ~, with pl. N^{os}, before distinguishing figure, as *bedroom* N^o 15, N^{os} 1-10).

1. Tale, count, sum, company, or aggregate, of persons (also of) or things (also of) or abstract units, symbol or figure representing such aggregate, ticket etc. bearing such figure, person or thing (esp. single issue of magazine, or part of opera etc.) whose place in series is indicated by such figure, (the ~ of fools is infinite; *N^{os}*, abbr. *Num.*, O.T. book containing census; *the greatest ~ on record* is 59 persons; *to the ~ of 80*, as many as; *GOLDEN ~*; *science of ~s*, arithmetic; *took the cabman's ~*; *sleeps in N^o 5*; *N^o 9 (pill)*, army doctor's reputed panacea; *N^o 10 Downing Street*, N^o 10, (used for) Prime Minister's official residence (when he is also First Lord of the Treasury); *lose the ~ of one's mess*, die; one's ~ *goes up*, he dies; ~ *one*, one-self, esp. in *take care of ~ one*, also || (Nav. sl.) first lieutenant; *story issued in ~s*, in parts successively published bearing ~s; *back ~*, earlier issue of magazine, (fig.) anything out of date; *is not of our ~*, included among us; *is now added to the ~ of my enemies*; (sing. or pl.) *large, small*, etc., or large, collection or company of or abs. (*were present in great, only in small, or in, ~s*; *saw a great, or a, ~ of birds*; *a small ~ came*; *there are ~s who live by begging*). 2. pl. Numerical preponderance (*won by ~s or force of ~s*). 3. Numerical reckoning (*the laws of ~ & proportion pervade Nature*; *without ~*, innumerable, also ~LESS a.; *in ~*, when counted or estimated, numerically, as *one people exceeds another in ~*). 4. (Gram.) class of word-forms including all singular, all plural, or all dual etc. words (*Greek has three ~s*; *'things' is of the plural ~*). 5. Rhythm; (pl.) groups of musical notes, metrical feet, verses. [f. OF *nombre* f. *L. numerus*]

nūm'ber², v.t. Count, ascertain number of; (pass.) be counted in number (*his years are ~ed*, he has not long to live); include, regard as, among, in, or with some class; assign a number to, distinguish with a number; have lived, live, (so many years); be able to show (so many inhabitants etc.); amount to (specified

number). [f. OF *nombrer* f. L. *numerare* (prec.)]
 || **nūm'bles** (-blz), n. pl. (arch.). Deer's ent-
 trails. [OF, cogn. w. L. *lumbus* loin; later
umbles whence HUMBLE pie]
nūm'erable, a. That can be numbered.
 [f. L. *numerabilis* (NUMBER², -ABLE)]
nūm'eral, a. & n. (Word, figure, group of
 figures) denoting a number; of number.
 [f. LL *numeralis* (NUMBER¹, -AL)]
nūm'erā'tion, n. Method or process of
 numbering or computing; calculation;
 assigning of numbers; (Arith.) expression
 in words of number written in figures; ~
table, showing value of figures according
 to their place in system of notation. [f.
 L. *numeration* (NUMBER², -ATION)]
nūm'erātor, n. Number above line in
 vulgar fraction showing how many of the
 parts indicated by the denominator are
 taken; person who numbers. [LL (NUM-
 BER², -OR²)]
nūm'eric, n. What is either a number,
 a proper or improper fraction, or an
 incommensurable ratio. [f. L. *numerus*
 number, -IC]
nūm'erial, a. Of, in, denoting, etc. num-
 ber. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]
nūm'eros, a. Comprising many units
 (a ~ acquaintance, library, family, army,
 class); coming from many individuals
 (the ~ voice of the people; a ~ hum); (arch.)
 thronged (a ~ country); (with pl. noun)
 many (received ~ gifts); (of verse or prose)
 rhythmic, harmonious. Hence ~LY² adv.
 [f. L. *numerosus* (NUMBER¹, -OUS)]
nūm'inous, n. The ~, the combined
 feeling of attraction & awe character-
 istic of man's sense of communion with
 God & religion. [in recent use; f. L. *num-
 men* -inis divine will, divinity]
nūmismāt'ic (-z), a. Of coins or coinage.
 So ~ICALLY adv., ~ICS, **nūmismātist**(3),
nūmismātōl'ogy, nn. [F (-ique), f. L.
 (*num*-) f. Gk *nomisma* -alos coin (*nomizo*
 use currently f. *nomos* custom), -IC]
nūmm'arý, **nūmm'ulárý**, aa. Of, in,
 coin. [f. L. *nummarius* (*nummus* coin,
 -ARY²), & *nummulus* dim. + -ARY¹]
 || **nūmm'et**, n. (dial.). Lunch. [= *noon
 meat*]
nūmm'úlite, n. Disk-like fossil shell of
 Tertiary strata. [*nummulus* (see NUM-
 MARY), -ITE²(2)]
nūm'nah (-a), n. Saddle-cloth, pad placed
 under saddle. [Anglo-Ind. *numdah* felt
 f. Hind. *namda* f. Pers. *namad* carpet]
nūm'sküll, n. Dolt or his head. [NUMB]
nūn, n. Woman living in convent usu.
 under vow of poverty, chastity, & obedi-
 ence; kinds of bird & moth; ~s *cloth*,
 thin woollen stuff; ~s *thread*, fine white
 sewing cotton; ~s *veiling*, thin dress-
 stuff. Hence ~HOOD, ~N'ERY(3), ~SHIP,
 ~LIKE, ~N'ESS¹, aa. [OE *numne* f.
numma fem. of *nonnus* monk, orig.
 ~man, gayer]

nūn'buoy (-bol), n. Buoy circular in
 middle & tapering to each end. [f. obs.
nun spinning-top, perh. f. prec.]
nūne dīm'itt's, n. The canticle *Lord, now
 lettest thou* (sing ~, be willing to depart
 from life etc.). [L. =now lettest thou go]
nūn'ciature (-shatŭr), n. (Tenure of)
 office of papal nuncio. [f. It. *nunziatura*
 (foll.)]
nūn'cio (-shlō), n. (pl. ~s). Pope's am-
 bassador at foreign court. [It., f. L.
nuncius messenger]
nūnc'ūpāte, v.t. Declare (will, testa-
 ment.) orally, not in writing. So ~ATION
 n., ~ATIVE a. [f. L. *nuncupare* name,
 (nomen name, capere take), -ATE²]
nūnnā'tion, n. Addition of final n in de-
 clension of (orig. Arabic) nouns. [f. Arab.
nun the letter n + -ATION]
nūph'ar, n. Yellow water-lily. [for NENU-
 PHAR]
nūp'tial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of marriage or
 wedding. 2. n. (usu. pl.). Wedding. [f. L.
nuptialis (*nuptiae* wedding f. *nubere* nupt-
 become wife)]
nūrse¹, n. 1. Woman employed to suckle
 & take charge of infant (usu. wet-~), or
 having charge of young children (also
dry~). 2. Country etc. that fosters some
 quality etc. (the ~ of liberty). 3. Nursing
 or being nursed (at ~, put out or put to ~,
 of child, & fig. of estate). 4. Person, usu.
 woman, charged with or trained for care
 of the sick or decrepit. 5. (Forestry) tree
 planted as shelter to others; (Entom.)
 sexually imperfect bee, ant, etc., caring
 for the young brood, worker; (Zool.) in-
 dividual in asexual stage of metagenesis.
 6. ~child, foster-child; ~frog, kind of
 which male carries eggs till hatched; ~
 maid, girl having charge of child(ren);
 || ~ship (Nav.), =MOTHER¹ ship. Hence
nūrs'ey² n. [earlier & OF *norice* f. LL
nutricia fem. of *nutricius* f. L. *nutric*-
icis (*nutrire* nourish)]
nūrse², v.t. & i. 1. Suckle (child), give
 suck, act as wet-nurse; act as nursemaid
 to, have charge of; (pass.) be brought up
 (in luxury, certain place, etc.). 2. Foster,
 tend, promote development of, (the arts,
 hatred, etc.); manage (plants, estate)
 with solicitude; cherish (grievance etc.).
 3. Wait upon (sick person), try to cure
 (sickness), be sick-nurse. 4. Hold or clasp
 (baby, one's knees or foot) caressingly; sit
 close over (fire). 5. || Keep (constituency) in
 good humour by attentions. 6. (Billiards)
 keep (balls) together for series of cannons.
 7. Keep close to (rival omnibus) to inter-
 fere with its custom, or horse in race to
 impede it). 8. || *Nursing home*, house for
 surgical operations, reception of invalids,
 etc.; *nursing father*, mother, foster-
 [earlier *nursh* f. NOURISH]
nūrse³, n. Kinds of dog-fish or shark.
 [prob. f. obs. *huss* dog-fish etym. dub., w.
 adherent (a)n, cf. *nawt*, & assim. to prec.]

nūts'ērý, n. 1. Room assigned to children & their nurses (~ *governess*, one combining duties of nurse & governess). 2. Practice, institution, sphere, place, in or by which qualities or classes of people are fostered or bred. 3. Plot of ground in which young plants are reared for transplantation (~ *man*, owner of this); fish-rearing pond; place where animal life is developed. 4. (Billiards) grouped balls (see *NURSE*²; esp. in ~ *cannon*). [-ERY(3)]

nūrs(e)'līng (-sl-), **n.** Infant, esp. in relation to its nurse; ~ *of*, person or thing bred in or fostered by. [*NURSE*¹, -LING¹]

nūrt'ure, n., & v.t. 1. Bringing up, training, fostering care; nourishment. 2. v.t. Nourish, rear, foster, train, educate. [f. *OF* *nourture* f. *L* *nutrire* nourish, -URE]

nūt, n., & v.i. (-tt-). 1. Fruit consisting of hard or leathery shell enclosing edible kernel (see also *EARTH*~, *PEA*~, *DEAF*~; *can't shoot* etc. *for* ~s, sl., do thing even tolerably well; *hard* ~ to *crack*, difficult problem, person or thing hard to deal with or get the better of; *be* ~s or *dead* ~s on, sl., delight in, be skilful at). 2. (sl.). Showy young man (now rare); head (*off* one's ~, insane, mad); (pl.) crazy (also **nerts*). 3. Small toothed projection on spindle engaging with cog-wheel, small spur-wheel. 4. Small block usu. of metal pierced with female screw for securing or adjusting bolt. 5. Holder that tightens or relaxes horse-hair of fiddle-bow etc. 6. pl. Small lumps of coal. 7. ~ *brown*, coloured like ripe hazel ~ (esp. of girl's complexion, & of ale); ~ *butter*, food like butter made from ~s; ~ *cracker*, (usu. pl.) instrument for cracking ~s, prominent chin & nose with points naturally, or by loss of teeth, near each other (also used attrib. in sing., as a ~ *cracker face*), (sing.) common European but rare British bird; ~ *gall*, gall found on dyer's oak used as dye-stuff; ~ *hatch*, small creeping bird feeding on ~s [*HATCH*¹]; ~ *oil*, got esp. from hazel ~s & wal ~s, & used in paints & varnishes; ~ *palm*, Australian palm bearing ~s; ~ *shell*, hard exterior covering of ~, tiny receptacle or dwelling, briefest possible way of expressing, epitome, (*can give it you in a ~shell*); ~ *tree*, bearing ~s, esp. hazel; ~ *weevil*, beetle laying eggs in green hazel & albert ~s. 8. v.i. Seek or gather ~s (usu. in gerund, *went ~ling* etc.). [com.-Teut.; OE *hnutu*, cf. *Du. noot*, *G. nuss*]

nūt'āste, v.i. (bot.). Nod, droop. So ~ *ANT* a. [f. *L* *nutare* frequent. of *nuere* nod, -ATE¹]

nūtā'tion, n. Nodding; (Astron.) oscillation of earth's axis making motion of pole of equator round pole of ecliptic wavy; oscillation of spinning top; curvature in stem of growing plant. [f. *L* *nutatio* (prec., -ION)]

nūt'mēg, n. Hard aromatic spheroidal seed got from fruit of evergreen E.-Indian tree (~ *tree*), used as spice & in medicine: ~ *apple*, fruit of ~-tree yielding mace & ~s; ~ *liver*, diseased state of liver, red atrophy. [partial transl. of *OF* *nois mugele*, = med. *L* *nux muscata* musky nut]

nūt'ria, n. Skin or fur of the S.-Amer. coypu, an aquatic rodent. [Sp., = otter f. *L* *lutra*]

nūt'rient, a. Serving as or providing nourishment. [f. *L* *nutrire* nourish, -ENT]

nūt'riment, n. Nourishing food (lit. & fig.). Hence **nūtrimē'tal** a. (rare). [f. *L* *nutrimentum* (prec., -MENT)]

nūt'rī'tion, n. (Supplying or receiving of) nourishment, food. [as *NUTRIENT*, -ION]

nūt'rī'tious (-shus), **a.** Nourishing, efficient as food. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. *L* *nutritius* (*NURSE*¹, -ITIOUS²)]

nūt'rī'tive, a. & n. Serving as food; concerned in nutrition; (n.) article of food. [F (-if, -ive) f. med. *L* *nutritivus* (*NUTRIENT*, -IVE)]

nūt'tý, a. Abounding in nuts; tasting like nuts, of rich mellow flavour; (sl.) amorous or enthusiastic (*upon*); **(sl.)* crazy. [-Y²]

nūx vōm'ica, n. Seed of E.-Ind. tree yielding the poison strychnine. [med. *L* (*L* *nux* nut, *vomere* vomit, -IC)]

nūz'zle, v.i. & t. Nose, burrow or press or rub or sniff with the nose, press nose or press (nose) *into* or *against*; nestle, lie snug, (also refl.). [*NOSE*¹, -LE(3)]

nyctalōp'ia, n. Night-blindness or recurrent loss of vision after sunset; inability to see clearly except at night. [LL (*Gk* *nyctalōps* f. *nykt-* night, *alōps* blind, *ōps* eye, -IA¹); incorrect second sense due to overlooking of -al-]

nyctitrōp'ic, a. (bot.). Turning in certain direction at night. [f. *Gk* *nux nyktos* night, -I-, *Gk* *tropos* turn, -IC]

nyl'ghau (-gaw), **n.** Short-horned Indian antelope. [f. Pers. *nilgaw* (*nīl* blue, *gaw* ox)]

nyl'ōn, n. Synthetic plastic material of great toughness, tensile strength, & elasticity, widely used in industry & as a dress fabric; (pl., colloq.) garments, esp. women's stockings, made of ~. [1]

nymph, n. 1. One of class of mythological semi-divine maidens inhabiting sea, rivers, fountains, hills, woods, or trees, or attending superior deities, whence or cogn. ~ *ē'AN*, ~ *IR*¹, ~ *LIKE*, aa. 2. (poet.). Young & beautiful woman. 3. Pupa. [f. *F* *nymphe* f. *L* f. *Gk* *nymphē*]

ným'pholēpsy, n. Ecstasy or frenzy caused by desire of the unattainable. [foll., *epilepsy*]

ným'pholēpt, n. Person inspired by violent enthusiasm esp. for an ideal. Hence ~ *ēp'tic* a. [f. *Gk* *nympholēptios* nymph-cought (*nymphe*, *lambanō* take)]

nymphomān'ia, n. (path.). Morbid & uncontrollable sexual desire in women. [f. Gk *nymphē* bride, -o-, -MANIA]
nýstág'mus, n. Eye-disease common among miners, with continual oscillation of eyeballs. [f. Gk *nustagmos* nodding (*nustazō* nod)]

O

O¹ (ō), lotter (pl. *Os*, *O's*, *Oes*). O-shaped mark, circle, (esp. round *O*).

O², oh, (ō), int. prefixed to vocative name (*O*), or expressing various emotions (usu. *oh* if separated by punctuation, otherwise *O*. *O dear me!*; *O for a breathing-space!*; *Oh, what a lie!*; *Oh, is that so?*; *O yes!*, -OYES. [ME. prob. f. L]

O³ (o), pref. of Irish names, as *O'Connor*. [Ir. *ó*, *ua*, descendant]

O⁴ (o), prep. short for *of*, *on*, still in some phrases, as (= *of*) *o'clock*. *Jack-o'-lantern*, *Will-o'-the-wisp*, *man-o'-war*, (colloq.) *cup o' tea*, (= *on*) *cannot sleep o' nights*.

-o-, letter used to adapt first part of double-barrelled word for connexion with second; prop. used in Gk compounds, -i- being usu. in L, but now extended to many scientific & other terms made of non-Gk wds (*occipito-frontal*, *joco-serious*; & in meaning, expressing not merely modification of second element by first (*Franco-German* = essentially German with some French characteristics), but equal or any other relations (*Franco-German war*); used also in forming true derivatives w. Gk endings as -*cracy*, -*logy*, & perh. taken for part of the suf., whence 'ologies' etc.

oaf, n. (pl. ~s, *oaves*). Elf's child, changeling, (arch.); misbegotten, deformed, or idiot child; awkward lout. Hence ~ISH¹ a. [var. of obs. *auf* f. ON *álfr* ELF]

oak, n. 1. Kinds of tree & shrub, of which the best known is a forest tree yielding hard timber & acorns & having jagged leaves (*Dyer's*, *Holm*, *Scarlet*, etc., ~, other species; *Dwarf*, *Ground*, etc., ~, plants named from some resemblance to ~); wood of the ~ (HEART of ~), (poet.) wooden ships; || (UNIV.) outer door of set of rooms (*sport* one's ~, shut this to exclude visitors); leaves of ~ (~ *is still worn on 29th May*); colour of young ~ leaves; the *Oaks*, race at Epsom for three-year-old fillies [f. name of estate]; (attrib., =, but now more usual than) ~en. 2. ~apple, -fig, -gall, -plum, -potato, -spangle, -wart, kinds of excrecence produced on ~s by gall-flies; || ~apple day, 29th May (Charles II restored 1660) on which ~apples are worn in memory of the ROYAL ~ incident; ~beauty, -egger, -hook-tip, -moth, kinds of moth bred on or resembling leaf etc. of ~; ~fern, smooth three-branched Polypody; ~

tree, ~; ~wood, forest, copse, etc., of ~s, also ~ timber. Hence ~KN² a., ~LET, ~LING¹(2), nn. [com.-Teut.; OE *ac*, cf. Du. *eik*, G. *eiche*]

oak'um, n. Loose fibre got by picking old rope to pieces & used esp. in caulking (*pick* ~, make this, esp. as formerly common task of convicts & paupers). [OE *deumbe* lit. off-combings (ð- off, *cemban* cf. G. *kämmen* COMB³)]

oar (ōr), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Pole with blade used (usu. in even numbers) to propel boat by leverage, esp. one worked by single rower (cf. SWEEP) with both hands (cf. SCULL), or to steer (*chained to the* ~, constrained to work hard & long, with allusion to galley-slaves; *pair*~, *four*~, etc., boat with two, four, etc., ~s; *pulls a good* ~, is good ~sman; *put in one's* ~, interfere; *have an* ~ *in every man's boat*, be a meddler; *rest on one's* ~s, cease work for a time; *good*, *bad*, *young*, *practised*, etc., ~sman; (fig.) wing, fin, arm used in swimming, etc.; ~s'man. ~s'woman, rower, whence ~s'manship(3) n.; hence ~AGE(1) n. (poet.), (-)ED² (ōd), ~LESS, ~Y³ (poet.), aa., (ōr-). 2. vb. Row (t. & i.; poet.; ~ *boat*, *water*, *air*, one's way; ~ one's arms or hands, move them as in swimming). [OE (& ON) *dr*, perh. cogn. w. Gk *erētēs* rower]

ōā'sis, n. (pl. *oasēs*). Fertile spot in desert (lit. & fig.). [L f. Gk, prob. of Egypt. orig.]

oast, n. Hop-drying kiln; ~house, building containing this. [OE *dst*, cf. Du. *eest*, cogn. w. L *aedes* house, *aestus* heat, *aestas* summer, Gk *aithos* heat]

oat, n. (Pl.) (grain yielded by) hardy cereal grown in cool climates as food for men & horses; (sing., rare exc. in comb.) ~plant, variety of ~s; *Wild Oat*, tall grass resembling ~s (*sow* one's *wild* ~s, indulge in youthful follies before becoming steady); (poet.) ~stem used as musical pipe by shepherds etc., pastoral or bucolic poetry; ~cake, thin unleavened cake made of ~meal, esp. in Scotland & N.; ~meal, meal from ~s used esp. in ~cake & porridge; **feel* one's ~s (colloq.), feel important, display self-importance. Hence ~EN¹ a. [OE *dis* excl. E, etym. dub.]

oath, n. (pl. pr. *ōdhs*). 1. Solemn appeal to God or revered or dreaded person or object in witness that statement is true or promise shall be kept (*take an*, *make*, *swear an*, ~, bind oneself thus; *on* ~, having thus sworn, made or stated or given by sworn person; BIBLE, CORPORAL¹, ~); (form of words containing) statement or promise so corroborated (~ *of allegiance*, *office*, *supremacy*, etc.). 2. Name of God etc. used as expletive to give emphasis or express anger etc., piece of profanity in speech, curse. [com.-Teut.; OE *dith*, cf. Du. *ced*, G. *eid*]

ob-, (before *c-*) **oc-**, (before *f-*) **of-**, (before *p-*) **op-**, pref. f. L *ob* in the way of, occurring chiefly in wds already compounded in L, w. senses: 1. Exposure, openness, (object, obnoxious, obtrude, obverse). 2. Meeting (occasion, occur, offend), facing (observe, obsteric, obviate, obvious, opportune), direction (oblation, oblique, oblong, obsecrate, obtest, offer), spontaneity or friendliness (obey, obsequious, office). 3. Opposition or hostility (objurgate, obloquy, obstreperous, oppose, oppress, opprobrium, oppugn) or resistance (obdurate, obmutescent, obstinate, obfusc). 4. Hindrance, blocking, veiling, (obligato, obese, obfuscate, oblige, obliterate, obscure, obsess, obstacle, obstruct, obtrude, occlude, occult, oppilate). 5. Finality or completeness (obit, oblivion, obsolete, obtain, obtruncate, occident, occupy). 6. (In mod. sci. wds) inversely, in direction or manner contrary to the usual (obconical, obcordate, oblanceolate, obovate, shaped like cone, heart, spike, egg, with thick end presented).

obbligat' tō (-ab-), a. & n. (mus.). 1. (Of accompaniment or part) inseparable, forming integral part of the composition, (opp. *ad libitum*). 2. n. (pl. ~s). Such part or accompaniment. [It., f. L *obligatus* (OBLIGE)]

ob'durate (or -ūf'), a. Hardened, impatient, stubborn. Hence **ob'duracy** n., ~LY² adv., (or -ūf'). [f. L *obdurare* harden f. *durus* hard], -ATE²]

ob'eah (-a), **ob'i'**, n. Kind of sorcery practised by Negroes. [W. Afr.]

obéd'ience, n. Obeying as act or practice or quality, submission to another's rule, compliance with law or command, (in ~ to, actuated by or in accordance with; *passive* ~, surrender of one's will to another's without co-operation, also compliance with commands irrespective of their nature); (Eccl., esp. R.-C.) being obeyed, (sphere of) authority, district or body of persons bound to ~, (return to the ~ of the Pope; not belonging to either the Roman or the Byzantine ~). [f. F *obédience* f. L *obedientia* (OBEY, -ENCE)]

obéd'ient, a. Submissive to or complying with superior's will, dutiful, (|| *your ~ servant*, phrase spoken formerly in courtesy, now only ironically, in taking leave, & written as concluding formula in letters of official or public character). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *obédient* (OBEY, -ENT)]

obédien'tiary (-sha-), n. Holder of any office under superior in monastery or convent. [f. med. L *obedientiarius* (OBEDIENCE, -ARY¹)]

obeis'ance (-bās-), n. Gesture, esp. bow or curtsy, expressing submission, respect, or salutation (arch.; *make an, do, pay, ~*); deference, homage, submission, (*do, make, pay, ~*). [f. F *obéissance* (OBEY, -ANCE)]

ob'élisk, n. 1. Tapering usu. monolithic shaft of stone square or rectangular in section with pyramidal apex; ~-shaped mountain, tree, etc. 2. (Also *obelus*) mark used in ancient MSS. to indicate that word or passage is spurious etc. (—, ÷); (also *obelus*) mark of reference to note in margin etc. (†; *double ~*, ‡). [f. L f. Gk *obeliskos* dim. of *obelos* spit]

ob'élize, v.t. Mark with the obelisk as spurious etc. [f. Gk *obelizō* (*obelos* see *prec.*, -IZE)]

ob'élus, n. (pl. -i). See OBELISK.

obése', a. Corpulent. So **obés'ity** n. [f. L *obesus* p.p., =having eaten, of *edere* eat]

obey' (-bā), v.t. & i. Perform bidding of, be obedient to; execute (command); be actuated by (force, impulse); do what one is bidden. [f. F *obéir* f. L *obedire* =audire hear]

ob'fuscāte, v.t. Darken, obscure, (mind etc.); stupefy, bewilder. So ~ATION n. [f. L *obfuscare* f. *fuscus* dark], -ATE²]

obi'. See OBEAH.

ob'i', n. Bright broad sash worn by Japanese women & children. [Jap.]

ob'it, v.i. 3rd sing. past (abbr. ob.). Died (with date of death). [L, f. *ob(ire tū go) die*]

ob'it, n. (arch.). Memorial service esp. in institution on anniversary of founder's or benefactor's death. [f. L *obitus* death, as *prec.*]

ob'iter, adv. By the way, in passing, (usu. ~ *dic'tum*, pl. -a, judge's expression of opinion uttered in arguing point or giving judgement but not essential to his decision & therefore without binding authority; also gen., incidental remark). [L, =*ob iter* by the way]

obit'uary, n. & a. 1. Notice of death(s) esp. in newspaper, brief biography of deceased person; hence ~IST(1) n. 2. adj. Recording a death, concerning deceased person. [f. med. L *obituaris* (L *obitus* death, see *OBIT*, -ARY¹)]

ob'ject', n. 1. Thing placed before eyes or presented to sense, material thing, thing observed with optical instrument or represented in picture. 2. Person or thing of pitiable or ridiculous aspect. 3. Person or thing to which action or feeling is directed, subject of or for, (*the Bible had been the ~ of his study; he is a proper ~ of or for charity*). 4. Thing aimed at, end, purpose; no ~, formula in advertisements etc. announcing that the other party may make his own terms in the specified respect (*money, time, distance, etc., no ~*). 5. (Metaphys.) thing thought of or apprehended as correlative to the thinking mind or subject, external thing, the non-ego. 6. (Gram.) noun or noun-equivalent governed by active transitive verb or by preposition (*direct, indirect, ~, that*

primarily, secondarily, affected by action, as *shilling him*, in *I gave him a shilling*.

7. ~ball, at which player aims his in billiards etc.; ~finder, contrivance for registering position of ~ on mounted microscopic slide so as to find it again; ~glass or ~lens, lens in telescope etc. nearest the ~; ~lesson, instruction about a material ~ that is present for inspection, (fig.) striking practical illustration of some principle; ~plate, on which ~ is placed for microscopic examination; ~staff, surveyor's levelling staff. Hence ~LESS a. [f. med. L *objectum* thing presented to the mind, neut. p.p. of L *ob(j)icere* fect-throw]

objēct'², v.t. & i. Adduce (quality, fact) as objection (to theory etc.); state (usu. *that*-clause) as damaging fact to or against person etc.; state objection, feel or express disapproval, have objection or dislike to (*I ~ to being*, & incorrectly *to be, treated like this*; || *I ~*, words used in House of Commons in announcing intention to oppose a motion etc. & so shelve it as not unopposed business). Hence **objēct'**³ n. (*conscientious ~or*, excused compulsory service, vaccination, etc., on pleading conscience). [f. L *object-* (prec.)]

objēc'tif⁴, v.t. Present as object of sense, make objective, express in concrete form, embody. Hence ~ICA'TION n. [OBJECT¹, -i-, -FY]

objēc'tion, n. Objecting, thing objected, adverse reason or statement; expression or feeling of disapproval or dislike. [F, f. L *objectio* (OBJECT¹, -ION)]

objēc'tionable (-sho-), a. Open to objection; undesirable, unpleasant, offensive, disapproved of. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec., -ABLE]

objēc'tive, a. & n. 1. (Philos.) belonging not to the consciousness or the perceiving or thinking subject but to what is presented to this or the non-ego, external to the mind, real. 2. (Of person, writing, picture, etc.) dealing with outward things & not with thoughts or feelings, exhibiting actual facts uncoloured by exhibitor's feelings or opinions; (Med., of symptoms) observed by another & not only felt by patient, whence ~NESS, **objēctiv'ity**, m. 3. (Gram.) constructed as, appropriate to, the object (~ *case* in English, that governed by transitive verb or preposition, distinguished in form from the subjective only in some personal pronouns, as *him*, cf. *he*; ~ *genitive*, as in 'the fear of God', cf. *SUBJECTIVE genitive*). 4. (Mil.) ~ *point*, towards which advance of troops is directed, (transf.) point aimed at; hence ~LY² adv. 5. n. = **OBJECT¹-glass**; (Gram.) ~ *case*; (Mil. & transf.) ~ *point*. [f. med. & *subjective* (OBJECT¹, -IVE)]

objēctivism, n. Tendency to lay stress on the objective; doctrine that knowledge

of non-ego is prior & superior to that of ego. [-ISM]

öb'jürg'äte, v.t. Chide, scold. Hence ~A'TION n., ~ÄTORY (or -ärg'a-) a. [f. L *ou(j)urgare* quarrel, -ATE²]

öb'läte'¹, n. Person dedicated to monastic or religious life or work. [f. (med. L sense of) L *ob(latus* p.p. of *ferre* bring)]

öbläte'² (or öb'ä), a. (geom.). (Of spheroid) flattened at poles (cf. *PROLATE*); [as prec.; sense of *ob-* doubtful]

öblä'tion, n. (Presenting of bread & wine to God in) Eucharist; thing offered to God, sacrifice, victim; donation for pious uses. Hence ~AL (-sho-), **öb'latory**, aa. [OF, f. LL *oblationem* (OBLATE¹, -ION)]

öb'ligäte, v.t. Bind (person, esp. legally) to do (chiefly in p.p.). [f. L (OBLIGE, -ATE²)]

öbligä'tion, n. Binding agreement esp. one enforceable under legal penalty, written contract or bond; constraining power of a law, precept, duty, contract, etc. (of ~, obligatory); one's bounden duty, a duty, burdensome task; (Indebtedness for) service or benefit (*be, put, under an ~; repay an ~*). [OF, f. L *obligationem* (OBLIGE, -ATION)]

öblig'atory (or öb'ligä-), a. Legally or morally binding, imperative & not merely permissive; constituting an obligation. [f. LL *obligatorius* (foll., -TORY)]

öblige', v.t. Bind (person, oneself) by oath, promise, contract, etc., to person or to do (arch., legal; also with *oath* etc. as subj.); be binding on; make indebted by conferring favour, gratify *by doing or with*; (colloq.) make contribution to entertainment (*with* song etc., or abs.); (pass.) be bound (to person) by gratitude (*for* small service); constrain, compel, to do. [f. OF *obliger* f. L *ob(ligare* bind)]

öbligee', n. (Law) person to whom another is bound by contract or to whom bond is given (cf. *OBLIGOR*); (rare) person who has received a favour. [prec., -EE]

öbli'ging, a. Courteous, accommodating, ready to do kindness, complaisant. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ING²]

öb'ligör, n. (legal). One who binds himself to another or gives bond. [OBLIGE, -OR²]

oblique' (-ëk), a., & v.i. 1. Slanting, declining from the vertical or horizontal, diverging from straight line or course. 2. (Geom.) (of line, plane figure, surface) inclined at other than right angle, (of angle) acute or obtuse, (of cone, cylinder, etc.) with axis not perpendicular to plane of base; (Anat.) neither parallel nor perpendicular to body's or limb's long axis; (Bot., of leaf) with unequal sides. 3. Not going straight to the point, roundabout, indirect. 4. (Gram.) ~ *case*, other than nominative or vocative; ~ *oration* or *nar-*

ration or speech, speaker's words with the changes of person, tense, etc., usual in reports, indirect speech; hence or cogn. ~LY² (-ēkl-) adv., *obliquely* n. 5. v.i. (esp. mil.). Advance ~ly. [f. L *obliquus* cf. *licinus* bent upward]

oblit'erate, v.t. Blot out, efface, erase, destroy, leave no clear traces of. So ~ATION n. [f. L *obliterare* f. *littera* letter]

obliv'ion, n. Having or being forgotten, disregard, unregarded state, (*Act, Bill, of O-*, amnesty; *fall into* ~, be forgotten or disused). [OF, f. L *oblivionem* f. *oblivisci* cf. *livere* be black & blue] forget, -ION

obliv'ious, a. Forgetful, unmindful, (of); (poet.) of, inducing, oblivion. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *obliviosus* (*oblivium* forgetfulness as prec., -OSE¹)]

obl'long, a. & n. 1. Deviating from square or circular form by having one long axis, (of spheroid) prolate; (Geom.) rectangular with adjacent sides unequal; (of paper, book, rectangular postage stamp or panel, etc.) greater in breadth than height; hence **oblōng'o-** (-nggō) comb. form (bot.). 2. n. ~ figure or object. [f. L *oblongus* long]; sense of *ob-* doubtful]

obl'oquy, n. Abuse, detraction; being generally ill spoken of. [f. L *obloquium* f. L *obloqui* speak] gainsay]

obmūtēs'cence, n. Obstinate silence. So ~ENT a. [f. L *obmutescere* f. *mutus* dumb, -ESCENT, -ENCE]

obnō'xious (-kshus), a. Liable to harm or evil or attack (now rare); offensive, objectionable, disliked, whence ~LY² adv. Hence ~NESS n. [f. L *obnoxius* (*ob* in the way of, *nox* harm), -OUS]

ob'oe, n. Wood-wind double-reed instrument of treble pitch & plaintive incisive tone; organ reed-stop imitating this. Hence **ob'ōist**(3) n. [It., f. F as *hautboy*]

ob'ol, n. Ancient-Greek silver coin = about 1½d. [f. L f. Gk *obolos*]

obscēne, a. Repulsive, filthy, loathsome, (arch.); indecent, lewd. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **obscēn'ity** n. [f. L *obsc(a)enus* etym. dub.]

obscūr'ant, n. Opponent of inquiry, enlightenment, & reform. Hence ~ISM(3) n., ~IST(2) n. & a. [G, f. L (OBSOURE, -ANT)]

obscūre, a. & n., & v.t. 1. Dark, dim, (~ rays, invisible heat-rays of solar spectrum); (of colour) dingy, dull, indefinite; indistinct, not clear; hidden, remote from observation; unnoticed; unknown to fame, humble; unexplained, doubtful; not perspicuous or clearly expressed; hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **obscūr'ity** n. 2. n. Obscurity, indistinctness. 3. v.t. Make ~, dark, indistinct, or unintelligible; dim glory of, outshine; conceal from sight; so **obscūra'tion** n. [adj. f. OF *obscur* f. L *obscurus* f. *scu-* cover, cf. *scutum* shield, Gk *akus* attire]; vb f. adj. or f. L *obscurare*]

obscérā'tion, n. Earnest entreaty; Li-

tany petition beginning with *By*. [f. L *obsecratio* f. *obsecrare* = *sacrare* f. *sacer* sacred] entreat]

ob'seques (-iz), n. pl. Funeral rites, a funeral. Hence **obseq'ual** a. [pl. of *obs. obsequy* f. OF *obsequ* f. med. L *obsequiae* mixture of L *exsequiae* funeral with *obsequium* see foll.]

obseq'uious, a. Obedient, dutiful, (arch.); servile, fawning. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *obsequiosus* f. *obsequium* f. *sequi* follow] compliance]

obsérv'ance (-z-), n. Keeping or performance of (also of) law, duty, custom, ritual, etc.; act of religious or ceremonial character, customary rite; the rule of a religious order; || paying of deference or respect (arch.), also ~ANCY n. [F, f. L *observantia* (OBSERVE, -ANCE)]

obsérv'ant (-z-), a. & n. 1. Attentive in observance; acute or diligent in taking notice; hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. Member of branch of Franciscan order that observes the strict rule. [F (OBSERVE, -ANT)]

observā'tion (-z-), n. 1. Noticing or being noticed, perception, faculty of taking notice; *post, attitude, of* ~, favourable for watching from or in; ~ car, in train esp. in U.S., so built as to afford good views. 2. (Mil.) watching of fortress or hostile position or movements (*army* etc. of ~, so engaged; ~ post, abbr. *O. Pip*, esp. for watching effect of artillery fire). 3. Accurate watching & noting of phenomena as they occur in nature (cf. *experiment*) with regard to cause & effect or mutual relations. 4. Taking of sun's or other heavenly body's altitude to find latitude or longitude. 5. Remark or statement, esp. one of the nature of comment. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv., (-zervāsho-). [f. L *observatio* (OBSERVE, -ATION)]

obsérv'atōry (-z-), n. Building etc. whence natural, esp. astronomical, phenomena may be observed. [f. L *observare* see foll., -TORY]

obsérv'e' (-z-), v.t. & i. 1. Keep, follow, adhere to, perform duly, (law, command, appointed time, method, principle, silence, rite, anniversary, etc.). 2. Perceive, mark, watch, take notice of, become conscious of, (*the* ~ed of all ~ers, person etc. on whom etc. attention is concentrated). 3. Examine & note (phenomena) without aid of experiment. 4. Say, esp. by way of comment; make remark(s) on. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. (esp., interested spectator, person carried in aeroplane to note enemy's position etc., person trained to watch for & identify aircraft; *O-ver*, as newspaper title), ~ingly² adv. [f. F *observer* f. L *ob(s)ervare* keep]]

obsēs', v.t. (Of evil spirit, delusion, or fixed idea) haunt, harass, preoccupy, fill mind of, (~ed by, with). So **obsēs'sion** (-shn) n. [f. L *obsidere* *cess-* = *sedere* sit] besiege]

obsid'ian, *n.* Dark vitreous lava or volcanic rock like bottle-glass. [f. *L. obsidianus*, error, for *Obsidianus* (*Obsius* personal name, -AN)]

obsoles'cent, *a.* Becoming obsolete, going out of use or date; (Biol., of organ once developed more fully) gradually disappearing. So **~ENCE** *n.* [f. *L. OB(olescere* f. *solere* be accustomed, see -SCIENT), -ENT]

ob'solète, *a. & n.* 1. Disused, discarded, antiquated; (Biol.) less developed than formerly or in cognate species, rudimentary; hence **~NESS**, **ob'solètism** (3, 4), *nn.* 2. *n.* ~ person or thing. [f. *L. obsoletus* p.p. as prec.]

ob'stacle, *n.* Hindrance, impediment, (~race, in which artificial or natural ~s have to be passed). [OF, f. *L. obetaculum* f. *OB(stare* stand) impede]

obstét'ric(al), *aa.* Of midwifery, of childbirth & its antecedents & sequels, as branch of medicine & surgery. Hence **obstét'rics**, **obstétr'cian** (-ishn), *nn.* [irreg. by confusion with -IC f. *obstetricus* f. *obstetrix* midwife f. *OB(stare* or *sistere* stand), -TRIX]

ob'stin'ate, *a.* Stubborn, inflexible, self-willed, refractory. Hence or cogn. **~ACY** *n.*, **~ately** *adv.* [f. *L. obstinatus* p.p. of *obstinare* deriv. form of *stare* stand) persist.]

obstrép'eros, *a.* Noisy, vociferous; turbulent, unruly, noisily resisting control. Hence **~LY** *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.* [f. *L. obstreperus* f. *OB(strepere* make noise), -OUS]

obstruct', *v.t. & i.* Block up, fill with impediments, make impassable or difficult of passage; prevent or retard progress of, impede; practise (esp. Parliamentary) obstruction. [f. *L. OB(struere* struct-build)]

obstruc'tion, *n.* Blocking or being blocked, making or becoming more or less impassable; hindering, esp. of Parliamentary business by talking against time, whence **~ISM** (3), **~IST** (2), (-sho), *nn.*; obstacle (~guard, bar fixed before locomotive to remove ~s from rails). [f. *L. obstructio* (prec.), -ION]

obstruc'tive, *a. & n.* 1. Causing, intended to produce, obstruction; hence **~LY** *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.* 2. *n.* ~ person, esp. in House of Commons. [OBSTRUCT, -IVE]

obtain', *v.t. & i.* Acquire, have granted one, get, whence **~MENT** *n.* (rare), **~ABLE** *a.*; be prevalent or established or in vogue. [f. *L. obtinere* f. *L. OB(tinere*=tenere hold) keep]

obtec'téd, *a.* (entom.). (Of the pupae of certain insects) enclosed in an outer chitinous case. [f. *L. OB(tegere* tect-cover) + -ED¹]

obtest', *v.t. & i.* (arch.). Adjure, supplicate, call to witness; protest. So **obtesta'tion** *n.* [f. *L. OB(testari* i. *testis* witness)]

obtrude' (-ōd), *v.t.* Thrust forward (upon or on person or his attention) importunately. So **obtrus'ion** (-ōzhn) *n.*, **obtrus'ive** *a.*, **obtrus'ively** *adv.*, **obtrus'iveness** *n.*, (-ō-). [f. *L. OB(trudere* trus-push)]

obtrunc'ate, *v.t.* Cut off head of, top. [f. *L. OB(truncare* f. *truncus* maimed), -ATE²]

obtund', *v.t.* (med.). Blunt, deaden, (sense or faculty). [f. *L. OB(tundere* tus-beat)]

ob'tūr'ate, *v.t.* Stop up, close, seal, (orifice in body, breech of gun, etc.). Hence or cogn. **~ATION**, **~ATOR** (2), *nn.* [f. *L. obturare*, -ATE²]

obtuse', *a.* Of blunt form, not sharp-pointed or sharp-edged; (Geom. of angle) greater than one & less than two right angles; (of pain, the senses) dull, not acute; stupid, slow of perception. Hence **~LY** *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.*, **obtus'ly** *comb. form.* [f. *L. p.p. of obtundere*]

ob'verse, *a. & n.* 1. Narrower at base or point of attachment than at apex (esp. in Nat. Hist., including as general term *obovate*, *oblanccolate*, etc.); answering as counterpart to something else; hence **~LY** *adv.* 2. *n.* Side of coin or medal bearing the head or principal design (cf. REVERSE); face of anything meant to be presented, front; counterpart of a fact or truth. [f. *L. obversus* p.p. (foll.)]

obvert', *v.t.* (log.). Infer another proposition with contradictory predicate by changing quality of (proposition). So **obvert'sion** (-shn) *n.* [f. *L. OB(vertere* vers-turn)]

ob'viāte, *v.t.* Clear away, get rid of, get round, neutralize (danger, inconvenience, etc.). [f. *L. OB(viare* f. *via* way) withstand]

ob'vious, *a.* Open to eye or mind, clearly perceptible, palpable, indubitable. Hence **~LY** *adv.*, **~NESS** *n.* [f. *L. obvius* (ob viam in the way), -OUS]

oc-, pref. See **OB-**.

ócari'na (-ré-), *n.* Small egg-shaped porcelain or metal musical wind-instrument. [It. (*oca* goose, -INA¹)]

occā'sion (-zhn), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Juncture suitable for doing something, opportunity, (take ~, avail oneself of opportunity to do; take ~ by the forelock¹). 2. Reason, ground, justification, incitement, need, (there is no ~ to be angry; avoid all ~s of quarrel; King has no ~ for services of officer, formula of dismissal; gave ~ to a burst of laughter). 3. Subsidiary, incidental, or immediate cause (the cause of a revolution may be obscure while its ~ is obvious). 4. pl. Affairs, business, (esp. go about one's lawful ~s). 5. (Particular time marked by) special occurrence (on this festive ~; on the ~ of his marriage; celebrate the ~; rise to the ~, show requisite energy etc.; this is a great ~); (upon ~,

whenever need arises, now & then. 6. v.t. Be the ~ or cause of, bring about esp. incidentally, cause (action etc., or person or thing to do). [f. L *occasio* f. *occidere* cas- = *cadere* fall], -ION]

occasional (-zh-), a. Arising out of, made or meant for, adapted for use on, acting on, special occasion(s); happening irregularly as occasion presents itself; coming now & then, not regular or frequent; ~ cause, secondary cause, occasion, also apparent cause (see foll.); || ~ *licence* (to sell liquor only at specified times & places). Hence ~ITY (-āl-) n., ~LY² adv. [-AL]

occasionalism (-zh-), n. Doctrine of some Cartesians that volition & sensation are connected with the following & preceding material phenomena not causally but as separate productions of God on the same occasion. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

Occident (ōks-), n. (poet., rhet.). The west; western Europe; Europe; Europe & America; America; European as opposed to Oriental civilization, whence **occiden'talism**(3) n., **occiden'talize**(3) v.t., **occiden'talist**(2, 3) n., (-ks-). Hence **occiden'tal** a., **occiden'tally**¹ adv., (-ks-). [f. L *occident*-setting (OCCASION, -ENT)]

occiput (ōks-), n. Back of head. Hence **occip'ital** a., **occip'ito**- comb. form, (-ks-). [L *occiput* -ilis = *caput* head]

occlude (-lōb-), v.t. (sci.). Stop up, close, obstruct, (pores, orifice); (Chem.) absorb & retain (gases). So **occlu'sion** (-lōzhn), **occlus**' or ²(2) (-lōb-), nn. [f. L *occludere* -clus- = *claudere* shut]

occult¹, a. Kept secret, esoteric; recondite, mysterious, beyond the range of ordinary knowledge; involving the supernatural, mystical, magical, whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2, 3), nn. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *occludere* -cult- cf. *celare* hide]

occult², v.t. & i. Conceal, cut off from view by passing in front, (usu. Astron., & applied only when concealing body is of much greater apparent size than concealed); ~ing light in lighthouses, one that is cut off at regular intervals. Hence **occulta'tion** n. [f. L *occludere* frequent. as proc.]

occ'upant, n. Person holding property, esp. land, in actual possession; one who occupies, or resides or is in, a place; one who establishes title to unowned thing by taking possession. Hence ~ANCY n. [f. L as OCCUPY, -ANT]

occupā'tion, n. Occupying or being occupied; taking or holding possession, esp. of country or district by military force (*army* of ~, left to hold occupied region till regular government is set up), tenure, occupancy; what occupies one, means of filling one's time, temporary or regular employment, business, calling, pursuit;

|| ~ *franchise*, right to vote as tenant; ~ *bridge*, road, etc., private for use of occupiers of land. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a., (esp.) incident to or arising from a person's ~ (~al disease), based on or utilizing esp. light employment (~al therapy). [F, f. L *occupationem* (OCCUPY, -ATION)]

occ'upier, n. Person in (esp. temporary or subordinate) possession esp. of land or house, holder, occupant. [foll., -ER¹]

occ'upy, v.t. Take possession of (country, region, town, strategic position) by military force or settlement; hold (office), reside in, tenant; take up or fill (space, time), reside or be in (place, position); busy, keep engaged, (esp. in pass. & refl.; occupied, ~ oneself, with or in). [irreg. f. F *occuper* f. L *occupare* cf. *capere* take] seize; ~ & obtain, as compared w. L origins, have exchanged senses; in 17th & 18th cc., ~ almost disappeared, being avoided owing to now obs. sense *cohabit*]

occūr¹, v.i. (-rr-). Be met with, be found, exist, in some place or conditions; come into one's mind (esp. if ~s or ~red to me that —); take place, befall, happen. [f. L *occurrere* run] go to meet]

occūr'rence, n. Happening (is of frequent ~, often occurs); incident, event. [f. obs. or rare *occurrent* (prec., -ENT, -ENCE)]

ocean (ō'shn), n. Great body of water surrounding the land of the globe; one of the main areas into which geographers divide this (usu. reckoned as five, the *Atlantic*, *Pacific*, *Indian*, *Arctic*, & *Antarctic*, O ~s; *German* ~, = *NORTH Sea*); the sea; immense expanse or quantity of anything (often ~s of); ~ *greyhound*, swift ship, esp. passenger liner; ~ *lane*, track prescribed for steamers; ~ *tramp*, cargo-carrying steamer not engaged in single trade. Hence ~OG'RAPHY (ōsha-) n., ~OGRAPH'IC(AL) (ōsēa-, ōsha-) aa., ~WARD(s) adv. [f. L f. Gk *ōkeanos* stream encircling earth's disk, *Atlantio*]

Ocean'ia (ōshl-, ōsl-), n. Islands of Pacific & adjacent seas. [f. F *Océanie* (prec., -IA¹)]

Ocean'ian (ōshlān'yan, ōsl-), a. & n. (Native of Oceania. [-AN]

ocean'ic, O-, (ōshl-, ōsl-), a. Of, like, etc., the ocean; of Oceania. [-IC]

Océ'anid (os-), n. (pl. ~s, ~es pr. -ān'idēz). Ocean nymph of Greek mythology. [f. Gk *Ōkeanis* -idos daughter of Ocean]

ocell'us, n. (pl. -i). One of simple as opposed to compound eyes of insects; facet of compound eye; spot of colour surrounded by ring of other colour, whence **ō'cellate**², -ātēd, aa. [L, dim. of *oculus* eye]

ō'celot, n. Feline quadruped of S. & Central America, resembling leopard. [F, abridged by Buffon f. Mex. *hallocellof jaguar*] of the field, & applied to different animal]

|| och (see Ap.), Int. = *oh*, *ah*, used in Scotland & Ireland.

ōchlōc'racý (-kl-), n. Mob-rule. Hence **ōch'loocrat** n., **ōchlōcrat'ic** a., (-kl-). [f. f' *ochlocratie* f. Gk *okhlōkratía* (*okhlōs* mob, -CRACY)]

ochre (ōk'er), n. Kinds of native earth consisting of clay & hydrated oxide of iron used as pigments varying from light yellow to brown; pale brownish yellow. Hence ~ISH (ōk'er-), **ochra'**/CREOUS (-krā-shus), ~OUS (ōk'ri-), **ōch'rous**, **ōch'ry'**, (-kr-), aa., ~O- (ōk'ri-) comb. form. [f. f' *ocre* f. L f. Gk *ōkhra* yellow ochre fem. of *ōkhros* yellow]

-ock, suf. forming nn. orig. w. dim. sense (*hill*~, *bill*~, *bull*~, perh. *padd*~), which many of them have lost (*padd*~, *bull*~, *poll*~); *hass*~, *bann*~, *mall*~, are prob. of different orig.

o'clock. See CLOCK¹.

oct-. = OCTA-, OCTO-, before vowel.

ōc'ta-, comb. form of Gk *oktō* eight. Hence **ōctām'ERUS** a.

ōc'tachōrd (-k-), a. & n. Eight-stringed (musical instrument); series of eight notes, e.g. the diatonic scale. Hence ~AL (-kōrd') a. [f. LL f. Gk *oktakhordos* (prec., CHORD)]

ōc'tad, n. Group of eight. [f. L f. Gk *oktas* f. *oktō* eight, -AD(1)]

ōc'tagon, n. & a. Plane figure with eight angles & sides, object or building of such section; hence **ōctāg'onal** a., **ōctāg'on-ally** adv.; (adj.) ~al. [f. L f. Gk *oktagōnos* (OCTA-, gōnia angle)]

ōctahēd'rion, n. Solid figure contained by eight plane faces, & usu. by eight triangles (*regular* ~on, by equal & equilateral triangles); body, esp. crystal, of regular ~al form. So ~AL a. [f. Gk *oktaedron* (OCTA-, hēdra seat)]

ōc'tāne, n. Hydrocarbon of the paraffin series; *high*~, (of fuels used in internal-combustion engines) having good antiknock properties, not detonating readily during the power stroke. [OCT-, -ANE(2)]

ōc'tant, n. 1. Arc of circle = 1/8 of circumference; 1/8 of circular area contained within two radii & arc; one of eight parts into which three planes intersecting (esp. at right angles) at point divide space round it. 2. (Astron.) point in planet's apparent course 45° distant from given point, esp. point at which moon is 45° from conjunction or opposition with sun. 3. Instrument in form of graduated eighth of circle used in astronomy & navigation. [f. LL *octans* (L *octo* eight, cf. QUADRANT)]

ōc'tarchy (-kl), n. Aggregate of eight petty kingdoms (substituted by some historians for HEPTARCHY). [OCTA-, cf. HEPTARCHY]

octaroon. See OCTOROON.

ōc'tastylē, a. & n. (Portico or building) with eight columns at end or in front. [f. LL f. Gk *oktastulos* (OCTA-, stulos pillar)]

ōc'tateuch (-k), n. First 8 O.-T. books. [f. LL f. Gk *oktateukhos*, cf. PENTATEUCH]

ōc'tave (-iv), n. 1. The day week of a festival, eight days including festival & its day week. 2. Group or stanza of eight lines, octet. 3. (mus.). Note produced by twice or half the vibration-rate of given note & eight diatonic degrees above or below it (*second* ~, ~ of the ~ in same direction; so *third* etc. ~); interval between note & its ~; series of notes filling this; note & its ~ sounding together. 4. Group of eight. 5. A fencing position. 6. || Wine-cask holding 13½ gal. 7. ~ coupler, device connecting organ-keys an ~ apart; ~ flute, piccolo, also organ flute-stop an ~ higher than the ordinary. [F, f. L *octava dies* eighth day by inclusive reckoning (*octavus* f. *octo* eight)]

ōctāv'ū, n. (abbr. *8vo*, *oct.*; pl. ~s). (Size of) book or page given by folding sheets three times or into eight leaves. [f. L *IN*⁸ *octavo* (prec.)]

ōctāv'us, See PRIMUS¹.

ōctēnn'ial, a. Lasting, recurring every, eight years. [f. L *octennium* f. *annus* year) period of eight years, -AL]

ōctēt(te)', n. (Composition for) eight singers or players; group of eight lines, esp. the first eight of sonnet. [f. L *octo* eight, after DUET]

ōctill'ion (-lyon), n. || Eighth power of million (1 followed by 48 ciphers). Hence ~TH⁸ a. & n. [F (now=ninth power of thousand) as prec. after MILLION]

|| **ōctingēntēn'arý** (-j-), n. 800th anniversary. [f. L *octingenti* 800, after CENTENARY] **octo-**, **oct-**, comb. form of L *octo*, & occas. (=OCTA-) of Gk *oktō*, eight.

Octōb'er (ō-), n. Tenth month; beer brewed in ~ (arch.). [L (prec.), cf. DECEMBER]

Octōb'rist (ō-), n. & a. (Member) of moderate party in Russian Duma. [Oct. 30, 1905, date of Imperial Constitutional Manifesto]

ōctōcēntēn'arý (or -sēn'tēn-), **ōctōcēn-tēnn'ial**, nn. (Irreg. for) OCTINGENTENARY.

ōctodē'cimō, n. (abbr. *18mo*; pl. ~s). (Size of) book or page given by folding sheets into eighteen leaves. [for *IN*⁸ ~ f. L *octo* (decimus tenth) eighteenth, cf. OCTAVO]

ōctogēnār'ian, a. & n. Eighty-year-old (person); of such person. [f. L *octogēnarius* (*octogeni* eighty each, -ARY¹), -AN]

ōc'tonal, a. Proceeding by eights (of coinage, numeral system, etc.). [f. L *octoni*, see foll., -AL]

ōctonār'ian, a. & n. (pros.). Eight-foot (line). [f. L *octonarius* versus eight-foot line (*octoni* eight each f. *octo* eight, -ARY¹), -AN]

ōc'tonarý, a. & n. =OCTONAL; (n.) group of eight, eight-line stanza (esp. of divisions of Ps. 119). [see prec.]

ōc'topus, n. (pl. ~es). (Genus of) cephalopod mollusc with eight suckered arms

round mouth; organized & usu. harmful ramified power or influence. [f. Gk *oldōpous* eight-footed (OCTO-, *pous* foot)]

ōctorōōn', -*ta*-, *n.* Offspring of quadroon & white, person of one-eighth negro blood. [irreg. f. OCTO- after QUADROON]

ōctosyllāb'ic, *a. & n.* Eight-syllable (verse). [f. LL OCTO(*syllabus* f. *syllaba* SYLLABLE), -IC]

ōctosyll'able, *n. & a.* =prec.; word of eight syllables. [see prec.]

ōc'troi (-*rwah*), *n.* Duty levied in some continental countries on goods entering town; place where, officials by whom, it is levied. [F (*octroyer* grant, as *AUTHORIZE*)]

ōc'tuple, *a., n., & v.t.* Eightfold; (*n.*) product after multiplication by eight of; (*vb.*) multiply by eight. [f. L *octuplus a.* (*octo* eight, cf. *DOUBLE*)]

ōc'ular, *a. & n.* Of, for, by, with, etc., the eye(s) or sight, visual, (~ *demonstration*, proof appealing to the eyes); (*n.*) eyepiece of optical instrument. Hence ~*LY*³ adv. [f. L *ocularis* (*oculus* eye, -*AR*¹)]

ōc'ularist, *n.* Maker of artificial eyes. [f. F *oculariste* (prec., -*IST*)]

ōc'ulate, -*ātēd*, *aa.* =OCELLATE. [f. L *oculus* eye, -*ATE*²]

ōc'ulist, *n.* Specialist in eye-diseases. Hence ~*is'tic a.* [f. F *oculiste* (L *oculus* eye, -*IST*)]

ōc'ulo-, comb. form of L *oculus* eye, as ~*nis'al* of eye & nose.

ōd, *n.* Power assumed to pervade nature & account for magnetism, crystallization, chemical action, mesmerism, etc. [arbitrary formation of Baron v. Reichenbach 1788-1869]

ōd'alisque (-*k*), *n.* Eastern female slave or concubine, esp. in Turkish Sultan's seraglio. [f. Turk. *oduliq* (*odah* chamber, -*liq* function)]

ōdd, *a. & n.* 1. Left over when the rest have been divided into two numerically equal sets (*the ~ man*, to whom casting-vote falls in uneven-numbered committee etc.). *the ~ trick* in whist, thirteenth when each side has won six; ~ *man out*, way of selecting one of three persons by tossing coins till only two agree). 2. (Of number) not divisible by two (~ & *even*, a game of chance); (of things or persons numbered consecutively) bearing such number. 3. (Appended to number, sum, weight, etc.) with something over of lower denomination etc. (*forty ~*, between 40 & 50; *sixty thousand ~*, with some extra hundreds, tens, or units; *sixty~thousand*, between 60 & 70 thousand; *twelve pounds ~*, with some shillings or pence). 4. By which round number, given sum, etc., is exceeded (*Here is a pound note; pay the bill & keep the ~ money. There are 1006; what shall we do with the ~ six?*). 5. Additional, casual, beside the reckoning, unconnected, unoccupied, incalculable, (*picks*

up ~ jobs; do it at ~ moments; in some ~ corner; ~ numbers, volumes, belonging to incomplete sets of magazines etc.). 6. Extraordinary, strange, queer, remarkable, eccentric, whence ~*ISH*² (2) *a.*, ~*LY*² adv.

7. ~*come-short*, remnant, ~ remainder, (*pl.*) odds & ends; ~*come-short'ly*, some near day (esp. *one of these ~come-shortlies*, before long); ~*fellow*, member of friendly society of Oddfellows with rites imitative of freemasonry; hence ~*NESS n.* 8. *n.* (golf). *The ~*, the stroke which one player has played more than his opponent (opp. *the like*). [f. ON *odda* in *odda*-(*mathr* man) with casting-vote (*oddi* angle, triangle, cogn. w. OE *ord* tip)]

ōdd'ity, *n.* Strangeness; peculiar trait; queer person; fantastic object, strange event. [-*ITY*]

ōdd'ments, *n. pl.* Odds & ends. [-*MENT*]
ōdds, *n. pl.* (formerly always, & still in phrases as below, treated as sing.). Inequalities (*make ~ even*, do away with these); difference (*what's the ~?*, what does it matter?); variance, strife, (*are at ~ with fate*); balance of advantage (*the ~ are in our favour; have fought against longer ~*); equalizing allowance to weaker competitor (*give, receive, ~*); ratio between amounts staked by parties to bet (*lay, give, ~ of three to one*, said of party offering the advantage; *take ~*, accept the advantage); chances or balance of probability in favour of some result (*it is ~ that or but, the ~ are that, he will do it*); ~ & ends, remnants, stray articles, (perh. alteration of earlier *ōdd ends*). [prob. pl. of *ōdd* used as *n.*]

ōde, *n.* (Orig.) poem meant to be sung (*choral ~*, song of chorus in Greek play etc.); (mod.) rhymed or rarely unrhymed lyric often in form of address, usu. of exalted style and enthusiastic tone, often in varied or irregular metre, & usu. between 50 & 200 lines in length. [F, f. LL *ōda* f. Gk *ōidē* contr. of *oidē* (*aoidō* sing)]

-*ode*, suf. forming *nn. w. sense thing of the nature of* (*geode, phyllode*); *anode, cathode, electrode*, are not examples. [f. Gk -*ōdēs* adj. ending (-*o*-, -*ēdēs* -like)]

ōdē'um, *n.* (*pl.* -*s*, -*ēa*). Building for musical performances, esp. among ancient Greeks & Romans. [f. Gk *ōideion* (ONē)]

ōd'ic, *a.* Of *ōd*. [-*IC*]

ōd'ious, *a.* Hatful, repulsive. Hence ~*LY*² adv., ~*NESS n.* [f. OF *odieux* f. L *odiosus* (ODIUM, -*OSE*¹)]

ōd'ium, *n.* General or widespread dislike or reprobation incurred by person or attaching to action (*exposed me to ~; the ~ of the transaction*); ~ *theolō'gicum*, bitterness notoriously characterizing theologians who disagree. [L, =hatred]

odometer. See *hod-*

ōdōn't(*o*)-, comb. form of Gk *ōdous* *odontos* tooth, as ~*orthyn'ous*, having

toothlike serrations in the bill; ~*oglossat*um, genus of orchids with large beautifully coloured flowers; ~*oid*; *odontol*'og'y.

ōdorif'orous, a. Diffusing (usu. agreeable) scent, fragrant. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. L *odorifer* (ODOUR, -FEROUS)]

ōd'orous, a. (chiefly poet.) = prec. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [foll., -OUS]

ōd'our (-der), n. Plesant or unpleasant smell, whence ~*less* a.; fragrance; (arch., usu. pl.) substance(s) emitting sweet scent, perfume(s); (fig.) savour, trace, (no ~ of intolerance attaches to it); good or bad or ill repute or favour (is in bad ~ with the nonconformists); ~ of sanctity, reputation for holiness (orig. lit., sweet ~ exhaled by dying or exhumed saint). [f. OF *odor* f. L *odorem* (-OR)]

ōd'yī, n. = OD. [-YI]

Od'ysey (ō-), n. (pl. ~s). One of two great ancient-Greek national epics (cf. ILIAD) describing adventures of Odysseus or Ulysses returning from siege of Troy; any of the 24 books of this (in the fourth etc. ~); series of wanderings, long adventurous journey. [f. L f. Gk *Odusseia* (*Odusseus*, -IA)]

oe'cist (ēs-), n. Founder of (esp. ancient-Greek) colony. [f. Gk *oikistēs* (*oikizō* settle f. *oikos* house, -IST)]

oecol'og'y (ēk-), n. Var. of ECOLOGY.

oecūmē'nical (ēk-), a. Of or representing the whole Christian world or universal church, general, universal, catholic, (of general councils of early, & of mod. R.-C., Church); world-wide. So **oecūmē'nī'city** (ēk-), n. [f. L f. Gk *oikoumenikos* f. *hē oikoumenē* the inhabited (earth) f. *oikēō* inhabit, -AL]

oedēm'a (ēd-), n. (path.; no pl.). Swollen state of tissue etc. with serous fluid, local dropsy. Hence ~*tose*¹, ~*tous*, aa., ~*tously*² adv., (ōdēm' or ēdēm'). [f. Gk *oīdēma* -atos (*oīdēō* swell, -M)]

Oed'ipus (ēd-), n. Solver of riddles; ~ complex, a sexual complex held by psychoanalysts of the Freudian school to influence the child in regard to the parent of opposite sex. [f. Gk *Oidipous*, who guessed the Sphinx's riddle, & in ignorance married his mother]

o'er (ōr), adv. & prep. = OVER (poet.).

oesoph'ag'us (ēs-), n. (pl. ~i pr. -jī, ~uses). Canal from mouth to stomach, gullet. Hence **oesophā'gēal** (-j-) a., ~o- comb. form. [f. Gk *oisophagos* etym. dub.]

oes'trum, -us, (ēs-), n. Goadly; stimulus, vehement impulse, frenzy. [f. Gk *oistros*]

of (ōv, ov), prep. connecting its noun with preceding n., adj., adv., or vb, & indicating the relations roughly classified as follows: 1. Removal, separation, point of departure, privation, (north, within a mile, upwards, have the advantage, of; ~back of, behind; wide of the mark; heal, rid, ease, brought to BED¹, of; destitute, empty, free, bare, of; take LEAVE¹ of; balk,

cheat, defraud, deprive, disappoint, of; independently, guiltless, irrespective, of).

2. Origin, derivation, cause, agency, authorship, (be, come, descend, spring, of; borrow, buy, win, receive, hire, of; TAKE it ill of; have comfort, wish one joy, of; ask, demand, learn, expect, of; of one's own ACCORD²; of COURSE¹, of RIGHT, of NECESSITY; of oneself, spontaneously; die of; smell, savour, smack, of; tired, ashamed, afraid, glad, proud, of; sick of measles, laid up with, sick of delays, disgusted by; warned of God, forsaken of God & man, by; it was kind, foolish, naughty, clever, cruel, well done, of you to say so; has the approval of his master; the works of Shakspeare, Iliad of Homer). 3. Material, substance, closer definition, identity, (house of cards; built of brick; make a FOOL¹, the BEST¹, of; MAKE¹ much of, a family of eight; the name of Jones; the class of idiots; city of Rome, vice of drunkenness; a fool of a man, her scamp of a husband, the worst liar of any man I know; had a bad time, troublesome journey, of it). 4. Concern, reference, direction, respect, (think well of him; never heard of it; was informed of the fact; is true of every case; repent, beware, of; cannot conceive, accept, approve, THINK, of; does not admit or allow of; accuse, convict, suspect, of; avail, bethink, oneself of; SHORT, guilty, certain, sure, confident, fond, of; swift of foot, blind of an eye, hard of heart, HARD of hearing; at 30 years of age). 5. Objective relation (the levying of taxes; love of virtue; in search of knowledge; great eaters of pork; redolent, productive, fruitful, lavish, prodigal, sparing, capable, sensible, careful, observant, desirous, impatient, characteristic, destructive, indicative, of). 6. Description, quality, condition, (man of fact, person of consequence, farm of 100 acres, the hour of prayer, potatoes of our own growing; girl of ten years, or, with mixed construction, of ten years old). 7. Partition, classification, inclusion, selection, (no more of that; some, five, of us, = a. a portion, or five, of us who are more numerous, or by extension b. we, being several or five persons; so any part, or the whole, of it; the most dangerous of enemies; he of all men, he most or least of all; is the one thing of all others that, illog. for of all that; song of songs, holy of holies, those best deserving the name; is one of a, ten, thousand, such as occurs only in one among 1,000, 10,000, cases; a friend of mine, of the vicar's, i.e. orig. in the number of my, the vicar's, friends, but extended to illog. contexts, as that long nose of his, this only son of the vicar's; drink deep of flattery, partake of food; was sworn of the Council, admitted as member; his temper is of the quickest, belongs to the quickest class; a sort of thud; comes in of an evening, at some time in the evenings; of old, yore,

late years, late, somewhere in the specified periods). 8. Belonging, connexion, possession, (*we of the middle class; companions of his exile; articles of clothing; the manners of today; a thing of the post; the master of the house; the widow of the man who was killed; a topic of conversation*; esp. with words that naturally require supplementing, as the *cause, result, counterpart, opposite, image*, of). 9. BECAUSE, *by MEAN'S*, for FEAR¹, for the SAKE, in BEHALF, in CASE¹, in FACE¹, in RESPECT, in SPITE, INSTEAD, on ACCOUNT², on BEHALF, on the POINT, of. [OE, unaccented form of *af*, cf. Du. *af* & G. *ab* off adv., Gk. *apo* & L. *ab* from; of & off are one word, differentiated in 14th-16th cc.]

off, *pref.* See on-.

off (awf, ðf), adv., prep., a., n., & v.t. 1. adv. Away, at or to a distance, (*rode ~; beat ~ the attack; keep assailant ~; ward ~ disaster; take oneself, be, make, ~, depart; ~ with you! go; ~ with his head!*, behead him; *fall, go, ~, deteriorate*; of ship, *fall ~, become less close to wind; the bullet glanced ~; go ~, fall asleep; is far, three miles, two years, ~*); (so as to be) out of position, not on or touching or dependent or attached, loose, separate, gone, (*my hat is ~; take his clothes ~; cut, break, shake, etc., ~; throw ~ reserve, become open or candid; be ~ with the old love, have severed connexion; get one's daughters, stock, ~, disposed of by marriage, sale; the gill is ~, disillusionment has come; we are ~ now, just started, starting, or about to start*); so as to break continuity or continuance, discontinued, stopped, not obtainable, (*broke ~, ceased to speak; leave ~ work; the engagement, bargain, negotiation, is ~; declare ~, refuse or rescind engagement; cut ~ supplies; the gas, asparagus, is ~, no longer to be got*); to the end, entirely, so as to be clear, (*clear, drink, pay, polish, work, ~*); BUY, COME, DASH¹, GET, MARK², PALM, PASS, RATTLE, SHOW, TAKE, ~; RIGHT, STRAIGHT, ~; well, badly, comfortably, etc., ~, so circumstanced or supplied with money; ~ d' on, intermittently, waveringly, now & again; ~-load, ~-saddle, S.-Afr. for un- 2. prep. From, away or down or up from, disengaged or distant from, (so as to be) no longer on, (*drove them ~ the seas; is ~ the beaten track; fell ~ a ladder; take cover ~ dish; eat ~ silver plate; take thing, matter, ~ one's hands, relieve him of it; had borrowed £20 ~ plaintiff* vulg.; one's HEAD¹, FEED²; ~ colour, out of condition, indisposed; ~ smoking, not indulging in it, disinclined for it; *took something ~ the price; is ~ duty or work; cut a slice ~, dine ~, the joint; was only a yard ~ me; keep ship two points ~ the wind; ~ the point, irrelevant(ly); ~ the map, sl., vanished, no longer existing; in a street ~ the Strand, turning out of it*

from ~, arch., poet., or vulg., = ~; ~ hand, extempore, without premeditation, unceremoniously, whence ~händ', ~händ'ed', aa., ~händ'edly² adv., ~händ'edNESS n.: ~ shore, a short way out to sea; so ~shore fisheries; ~shore wind, blowing seawards; anchored ~ the point, cape, etc., opposite & a short way from it; ~ side in football, between ball & opponents' goal, so ~side play, rule). 3. adj. Farther, far, (on the ~ side of the wall); (of horses etc. or vehicles) right (opp. NEAR², w. ref. to side at which rider usu. mounts; the ~ leader, front wheel, hind leg, side); (Cricket) towards, in, or coming from, that half of the field as divided by line through two middle stumps in which playing batsman does not stand (opp. ON², LEG; an ~ drive, whence ~drive' v.t.; ~ stump; LONG¹ ~; an ~ break); subordinate, divergent, (in an ~ street; fig. of argument etc., that is an ~ issue); contingent, improbable, (there is an ~ chance that); disengaged (*will do it on my next ~ day*); || ~licence, to sell beer etc. for consumption ~ the premises; ~print, separatum, printed copy of article etc. that was orig. part of larger publication. 4. n. (cricket). The ~ side. 5. v.t. (colloq.). Announce intention of abandoning or annulling (negotiation, agreement, undertaking); withdraw from negotiation or engagement with (person). [See of]

off'al, n. Refuse, waste stuff, scraps, garbage; parts cut off as waste from carcass meant for food, esp. entrails, also head, tail, kidneys, heart, tongue, liver, etc.; carrion, putrid flesh; low-priced fish (e.g. plaice as opp. sole or other prime fish); bran or other by-product of grain (often pl.); offscourings, dregs; ~ milk, wheat, wood, etc., inferior. [= off-fall or what falls off]

offence', **'offense'**, n. Stumbling-block, occasion of unbelief etc., (now rare); attacking, aggressive action, taking the offensive, (*the most effective defence is ~*); wounding of the feelings, wounded feeling, annoyance, umbrage, (*no ~ was meant; too quick to take ~; give ~ to; cannot be done without ~*); transgression, misdemeanour, illegal act, (esp. commit an ~ against). Hence ~LESS (-sl-) a. [ME & OF offens f. L offensus, -us annoyance, & ME & F offense f. L offensa a striking against, both f. OF *tendere fens*-strike]

offend', v.t. & t. Stumble morally, do amiss, transgress, (against law, decency, person, etc.), whence ~er¹ n. (esp. FIRST ~er), ~ING² a.; wound feelings of, anger, cause resentment or disgust in, outrage, (*am sorry you are ~ed; ~ed at or by thing, with or by person; ~ her delicacy, my sense of justice*), whence ~edly¹ adv. [f. OF offendere f. L as prec.]

offen'sive, a. & n. 1. Aggressive, intended

for or used in attack, (~ *arms, movement*; opp. DEFENSIVE); meant to give offence, insulting, (~ *language*); disgusting, ill-smelling, nauseous, repulsive; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Attitude of assailant, aggressive action, (*take, act on, abandon, the ~*); an attack, ~ campaign or stroke, (*the long-expected German ~*); movement, *as peace ~*. [f. med. L *offensus* (OFFENSE, -IVE)]

off'er¹, v.t. & i. 1. Present (victim, first-fruits, prayer) to deity, revered person, etc., by way of sacrifice, give in worship or devotion, whence ~ING¹(4) n. 2. Hold out in hand, or tender in words or otherwise, for acceptance or refusal (~ed me his hymn-book to look over; TAKEN & ~ed; was ~ed a free pardon; ~ an opinion, a few remarks, etc.; ~ no apology). 3. Make proposal of marriage. 4. Show for sale. 5. Give opportunity to enemy for battle. 6. Express readiness to do if desired; essay, try to show, (violence, resistance, etc., often to); show an intention to do (~ed to strike me). 7. (Of things) present to sight or notice (*each age ~s its characteristic riddles*); present itself, occur, (*as opportunity ~s; the first path that ~ed*). [OE *offrian* in religious sense f. L *offere* (bring); other senses f. *offir* of same orig.]

off'er², n. Expression of readiness to give or do if desired, or to sell on terms (*on ~, for sale at certain price*), proposal esp. of marriage; bid. [f. F *offre* (proc.)]

offertory, n. Part of mass or communion service at which offerings are made, the offering of these, the gifts offered; collection of money at religious service. [f. eccl. L *offertorium* (LL *offert-* for L *oblatus*, p. st. of *offerre* OFFER¹, -ORY) offering]

office, n. 1. Piece of kindness, attention, service, (*ill ~*) disservice, (*owing to, by, the good or ill ~s of*). 2. Duty attaching to one's position, task, function, (*it is my ~, the ~ of the arteries, to*). 3. Position with duties attached to it, place of authority or trust or service esp. of public kind (*was given an ~ under Government*), tenure of official position esp. that of minister of State (*take, enter upon, hold, leave, resign, ~; JACK ~ in*). 4. Ceremonial duty (esp. *perform the last ~s to, rites due to the dead*). 5. (Eccl.) authorized form of worship, daily service of R.-C. breviary (also *divine ~*; say ~, recite this), Anglican morning & evening prayer, (introit at beginning of) mass or communion service, any occasional service such as the *O ~ for the Dead*. 6. Place for transacting business (*goes down to the ~ at 9 a.m.*); room etc. in which the clerks of an establishment work, counting-house; (with qualification) room etc. set apart for business of particular department of large concern (|| *bookings, inquiry, goods, lost-property, ~ in railway station*) or local branch of dispersed or-

ganization (*our Manchester ~; a post, telegraph, ~*) or company for specified purpose (*insurance, fire or fire-insurance, ~*). 7. (O ~) quarters or staff or collective authority of a Government department (*the FOREIGN, WAR¹, POST², O ~*). 8. pl. Parts of house devoted to household work, storage, etc. 9. || (sl.). Hint, signal, *as give, take, the ~*. 10. Holy O ~, the inquisition; ~-bearer, official or officer. [OF, f. L *officium* f. *facere* do service]

off'icer, n., & v.t. 1. Holder of public, civil, or ecclesiastical office, king's servant or minister, appointed or elected (functionary, (usu. with qualification, *as ~ of HEALTH, of the Household, or public, medical, ~; ~ relieving ~, see RELIEVE*)). 2. President, treasurer, secretary, etc., of society. 3. Bailiff, catchpole, constable. 4. Person holding authority in navy, army, air force, or mercantile marine, esp. with commission in army or navy (GENERAL, STAFF, COMMISSION¹ed, FIELD¹, COMPANY¹, BREVET, WARRANT¹, NON-commissioned, ~ in army; FLAG⁴, COMMISSION¹ed, WARRANT¹, PETTY, ~ in navy; Naval ~s: Admiral of the Fleet, Admiral, Vice-Adm., Rear-Adm., Commodore, Captain, Commander, Lieut.-Commander, Lieutenant, Sub-lieut., Midshipman; Army ~s: Field Marshal, General, Lieut.-Gen., Major-Gen., BRIGADIER (formerly Brigadier-Gen.), Colonel, Lieut.-Col., Major, Captain, Lieutenant, Second Lieut.; AIR¹ Force ~s; || Officers' Training Corps (abbr. O.T.C.; orig. for the Territorial Force, & multiplied for the 1914-18 war). 5. v.t. (usu. in p.p.). Provide with ~s, act as commander of. [f. OF *officier* f. med. L *officiarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

official (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of an office, the discharge of duties, or the tenure of an office; holding office, employed in public capacity; derived from or vouched for by person(s) in office, properly authorized; (Med.) according to the pharmacopoeia, official; usual with persons in office (~ *solemnity, red tape, etc.*); hence ~LY² adv. ~ISE(3) v.t., (-sha-). 2. n. Presiding officer or judge of archbishop's, bishop's, or esp. archdeacon's court (usu. ~ *principal*); person holding public office or engaged in ~ duties, whence ~DOM, ~ISM(2), nn., (-sha-). [f. L *officialis* (OFFICE, -AL)]

offi'ciate (-shi-), v.i. Discharge priestly office, perform divine service, so ~ANT(1) n.; act in some official capacity, esp. on particular occasion (usu. *as host, best man, etc.*). [f. med. L *officiare* perform divine service (OFFICE), -ATE³]

offi'cial, a. (Of herb or drug) used in medicine or the arts; (of medical preparation) kept ready at druggists', made from pharmacopoeia recipe (now usu. OFFICIAL), (of name) adopted in pharmacopoeia.

Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L. *officinalis* f. L. *officina* contr. of *opificina* workshop (*opifex* workman), -AL]

off'icious (-shus), a. (Given to) offering service that is not wanted, doing or undertaking more than is required, intrusive, meddlesome, whence ~NESS n.; (Diplom. opp. *official*) Informal, unofficially friendly or candid, not binding. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L. *officiosus* obliging (OFFICE, -OUS)]

off'ing (or aw-), n. Part of visible sea distant from shore or beyond anchoring ground (*was seen in the ~*); position at distance from shore (*gain, keep, etc., an ~*). [OFF, -ING¹]

off'ish (aw-, ð-), a. (colloq.). Inclined to aloofness, distant or stiff in manner. Hence ~NESS n. [OFF, -ISH¹; cf. OFFISH]

off'scourings (awiskowr-, ð-), n. pl. Refuse, filth, dregs, (usu. of; lit., & fig. of persons as *the ~ of humanity*). [OFF, SCOUR, -ING¹(2)]

off'set (aw-, ð-), n. Start, set-off, outset, (rare); short side shoot from stem or root serving for propagation, (transf. & fig.) offshoot, scion, mountain-spur; compensation, set-off, consideration or amount diminishing or neutralizing effect of contrary one; (Surv.) short distance measured perpendicularly from main line of measurement; (Archit.) sloping ledge in wall etc. where thickness of part above is diminished; bend made in pipe to carry it past obstacle; (Typ.) smudging of clean sheet through being laid on freshly-printed surface; ~ *process*, method of printing in which ink is first transferred from a plate to a uniform rubber surface and then to the paper etc. [OFF, SET¹]

off'shoot (aw-, ð-), n. Side shoot or branch (lit. & fig.), derivative. [OFF, SHOOT]

off'spring (or aw-), n. Progeny, issue, (fig.) result. [OE *afspring* (OF, OFF, SPRING)]

Of'lag (ð-), n. German prison camp for officers. [G]

off (aw-, ð-), adv. Often (arch. except in comb. with p.p. or part., as ~-*told*, ~-*recurring*; *many a time* & ~, often); ~-*times*, oft'en (arch.). [com. 19th cent.: OE & ON, cf. G, *oft*]

often (aw'fn, ó'fn; occas. -ten), adv. & a. (~er, ~est). Frequently, many times, at short intervals, (with singular generalized subject) in a considerable proportion of the instances (*the victim ~ dies of it*); ~ & ~, emphatic form: ~-*times*, ~ (arch.); (adj.; arch.) frequent (*by ~ study of it*). [extended f. prec.]

óg'doãd, n. The number, a set of, eight. [f. I.L. f. Gk *ogdoas* (*okto* eight, -AD)]

óg'ee', n. & a. (Moulding) showing in section a double continuous curve, concave below passing into convex above; S-shaped (line); ~ *arch*, *doorway*, *window*, with two ~ curves meeting at apex.

Hence ~'d' [-AD²] a. [prob. f. F *ogive*, being the usu. moulding in groin-ribs]

óg(ham) (óg'am), n. Ancient British and Irish alphabet of twenty characters; inscription in this; one of the characters. [OIr. *ogam*, referred to *Ogma* supposed inventor]

ogive (ój'iv, ojiv'), n. Diagonal groin or rib of vault; pointed or Gothic arch, whence **ogiv'** AL a. [F. etym. dub.]

ó'gle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Cast amorous glances; eye amorously; hence **óg'ler**¹ n. 2. n. Amorous glance. [prob. f. LG *oegeln* or G *augeln* dim. of *augen* look about (*auge* an eye)]

Óg'pu (óg'püb), n. Former organization for combating counter-revolutionary activities in Soviet Russia. [initial letters of *Obedinennoe Gosudarstvennoe Politicheskoe Upravlenie*, United State Political Administration]

ó'gre (-ger), n. Man-eating giant. Hence or cogn. ~ISH¹ (-ger-), **óg'rish**¹, aa., **óg'ress**¹ n. [F, first used by Perrault 1697, etym. dub.]

Ogy'gian (o-), a. Of obscure antiquity, prehistoric. [f. L f. Gk *Ougios* of *Ougēs* mythical king of Attica or Boetia]

oh (ò), int. See o².

ohm (òm), n. Unit of electrical resistance; ~-*ammeter*, instrument measuring electrical current & resistance. Hence ~-*METER* n. [G. S. Ohm, German physicist 1787-1854]

ohó', int. expressing surprise or exultation. [o². HO]

oh yes. See OYEZ.

-oid, suf. forming adj. & nn. w. sense (*something*) *having the form of, resembling*; chiefly on Gk (*rhomboid*), rarely L (*fucoïd*) or other (*alkaloid*) stems; adj. as *thyroid*, *simioid*, nn. as *asteroid*, *amygdaloid*; from the nn. an adj. in *-oid* is formed as *cycloïdal*. [f. mod. L *-oides* f. Gk *-oeidēs* (-o- + *-eîdēs* like) f. which also -OPE]

oil¹, n. 1. (Kinds of) liquid viscid unctuous inflammable chemically neutral substance lighter than & insoluble in water & soluble in alcohol & ether (there are three classes: *fatty* or *fixed* ~s of animal or vegetable origin, greasy & non-distillable, subdivided into *drying* ~s, which by exposure harden into varnish, & *non-drying* ~s, which by exposure ferment, the latter used as lubricants, illuminants, soap constituents, etc.; *essential* or *volatile* ~s chiefly of vegetable origin, acrid, lumpy, & distillable, giving plants etc. their scent, used in medicine & perfumery; *mineral* ~s used as illuminants. Particular kinds are named from source with *of*, as ~ *of almonds*, or with source or use preceding, as *cod-liver*, *olive*, *salad*, *hair*, ~; *pour ~ on the flame* etc., *aggravate* passion etc.; *pour ~ on the waters*, smooth matters over; *smell of ~*, bear marks of study; *burn the midnight ~*, read or work

far into the night; *strike* ~, lit., find petroleum by sinking shaft, fig., attain prosperity or success; ~ & *vinegar*, type of dissimilar or irreconcilable things; *strap* etc. ~, flogging with strap etc. 2. = ~colour (often pl.). 3. = ~skin (usu. pl.). 4. ~bird, ~nut, ~palm, ~plant, ~seed, ~tree, kinds of bird etc. from which ~ is got; ~bush, ~filled socket for upright spindle [BUSH⁴]; ~cake, mass of compressed linseed etc. left when ~ has been expressed, used as cattle food or manure; ~can, containing ~, esp. long-nozzled for oiling machinery; ~cloth, fabric waterproofed with ~, ~skin, canvas coated with drying ~ & used to cover table or floor; ~coat, of ~skin; ~colour, paint made by grinding pigment in ~ (usu. pl.); ~(-)engine (driven by the explosion of vaporized ~ mixed with air); ~field, district yielding mineral ~; ~gauge, hydrometer measuring specific gravity of ~s; ~gilding, ~gold, goldleaf laid on linseed ~ mixed with yellow pigment; ~gland, secreting ~; ~hole, in machinery to receive lubricating ~; ~man, maker or seller of ~s; ~meal, ground linseed cake; ~paint, = ~colour; ~painting, art of painting, picture painted, in ~colours; ~paper, made transparent or waterproof by soaking in ~; ~press, apparatus for pressing ~ from seeds etc.; ~skin, cloth waterproofed with ~, garment or (pl.) suit of this; ~spring, yielding mineral ~; ~stone, (fine-grained stone used with ~ as) whetstone; ~TANKER. Hence ~LESS a. [f. ONF *olie* f. L *oleum* (*olea* olive)]

oil¹, v.t. & i. Apply oil to, lubricate, (~ the wheels, lit., & fig. make things go smoothly by courtesy, bribery, etc.; ~ one's hand or ~ one, bribe him; ~ one's tongue, say smooth things, flatter); (with butter, grease, etc., as subj. or obj.) turn (t. & i.) into oily liquid; impregnate or treat with oil (~ed sardines; ~ed silk, waterproofed with oil); ~ed (sl.), slightly drunk. [f. prec.]

oil'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. oilcan for oiling machinery, (sl.) unctuous person. [-ER¹]

oil'ly, a. Of, like, covered or soaked with oil; (of manner etc.) fawning, insinuating, unctuous. Hence ~ILY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

oint'ment, n. Uctuous preparation applied to skin to heal or beautify, unguent. [f. OF *oignement* (L *unguentum*, -MENT)]

Oireachtas (ə'ɔɪtʰəs), n. Legislature of Eire, the President & two Houses, Dail Eireann (Chamber of Deputies) & Seanad Eireann (Senate). [Ir.]

oka'pi (-ah-), n. Bright-coloured partially striped Central-Afr. ruminant discovered 1900 with likeness to giraffe, deer, & zebra. [native]

ok'ra, n. Tall malvaceous plant bearing mucilaginous seed-pods used as a vege-

table & for thickening soups. [W.-Afr. native name]

-ol, chem. suf. 1. Termination of *alcohol* used in names of alcohols in the wider sense or analogous compounds (*methol*, *phenol*). 2. = L *oleum* oil (*benzol*).

old, a. (ELDER¹, eldest, in particular uses; ordinarily ~er, ~est), & n. 1. Advanced in age, far on in natural period of existence, not young or near its beginning, (*the* ~, aged people; *young* & ~, every one; ~ age, later part of life; ~age pensions, || weekly payments under Acts of 1908-1936 to ~ persons on account of their age; || *Old Lady of Threadneedle Street*, Bank of England; ~ man of the sea, person who cannot be shaken off; ~ man, woman, party, etc.; ~ man, also as name for southernwood, & naut. sl. for ship's captain; *my* etc. ~ man, colloq., husband; ~ man's beard, kind of moss, also TRAVELLER's Joy; *my* etc. ~ woman, colloq., wife; ~ woman, fussy or timid man, whence ~wo'manish¹, ~wo'manish¹, a., ~wo'manishness, ~wo'manliness, nn., (-wū-); *my* etc. ~ bones, I or me etc. who am ~; the century grows ~). 2. Having characteristics, experience, feebleness, etc., of age (~ head on young shoulders, wisdom beyond one's years; child has an ~ face; ~ buffer, foggy, etc.; a man is as ~ as he feels); worn, dilapidated, shabby, (~ clothes etc.). 3. (Appended to period of time) of age (is ten years ~, a ten-year ~ boy, a boy of ten years ~, could read Greek at ten years ~; also ellipt. four etc. ~year ~, person or animal, esp. racehorse, of that age, w. pl. ~s). 4. Practised or inveterate in action or quality or as agent etc. (~ in crime, folly, cunning, diplomacy; an ~ campaigner, offender; ~ bird, person on his guard against snarers; ~ hand, practised workman, person of experience in something, at doing; ~ STAGER; ~ bachelor, man confirmed in bachelorhood; ~ maid, elderly spinster, whence ~maid'ish¹ a., also precise & tidy & fidgety man, also a round card game). 5. Dating from far back, made long ago, long established or known or familiar or dear, ancient, not now or recent, primeval, (~ Ocean, Night, etc.; ~ red SANDSTONE: of ~ standing, long established; so ~established; ~ as the hills; ~ countries, long inhabited or civilized; ~ friends; an ~ debt, grudge, ~ scores; an ~ name, family; ~ vine, matured with keeping; so *Old Tom*, kind of gin; ~ gold, colour of tarnished gold; ~ CATHOLIC; the ~, what is not new; ~ TESTAMENT; ~ boy, chap, fellow, man, esp. in voc., intimate or person treated as such, also in mod. sl. ~ bean, egg, fruit, thing, top; *Old England*; *Old Glory*, the Stars & Stripes; the ~ one or gentleman, *Old Harry*, Nick, Scratch, etc., the devil; good ~ with name, sl. exclamation in real

or ironical commendation of person's or thing's performance; *have a fine, good, high, etc., ~ time* etc., sl., be well amused or entertained; *any ~ thing*, sl., anything no matter what). 6. Belonging only or chiefly to the past, obsolete or obsolescent, out of date, antiquated, antique, concerned with antiquity, not modern, by-gone, only lingering on, former, quondam, (*the good ~ times*, customs etc. of earlier generations; ~ *annals*; ~ *fashions*, that have gone or are going out, whence ~ *fashioned*² a., ~-*fashionedness* n., (-shnd-), opp. *newfangled* etc.; *am ~ fashioned enough to think*, used in ironical self-depreciation; of the ~ *school*, ~-fashioned; *the ~ country, home*, etc., used by colonists or colonials of mother-country; *call up ~ memories*; *the ~ order changeth*; *have lost my ~ beliefs*; ~ *boy*, former member of school; so ~ *Etonian* etc.; ~ *SCHOOL*¹ tie; *the Old Comedy*, HUNDREDTH; ~ *masters*, great painters of earlier times, pictures by these; ~ *London, Paris, England*, etc., London etc. as it once was, or the extant relics of its former state; *the ~ man*, one's unregenerate self; *the Old World*, Eastern hemisphere; ~-*world*, not American, also belonging to ~ times, & so ~-*time* attrib.; *Old style*, abbr. o.s.; *the ~ year*, just ended or about to end; ~ *clothes*, discarded; ~-*clothesman*, dealer in these; hence ~-*ISH*² (2) a., ~-*NESS* n. (rare). 7. n. ~ *time* (only in of ~ adj. & adv., as *the men of ~*, of ~ *there were giants*; *have heard it of ~*, from long ago). [com.-Teut.; OE *ald*, cf. Du. *oud*, G. *alt*, f. OTeut. *al-* grow, nourish, cf. L. *alere* feed] || *Old-time*¹, a. (arch. & literary). Old-time, of a former age, (esp. *the ~ time*). [-EN²] || *Old-den*², v.t. & i. Make or grow feeble etc. as with age. [-EN²]

Old-ster, n. One who is no longer a youngster (usu. antithetically to *youngster*). [-STER]

Oléa'ginous, a. Having properties of or producing oil, oily, fatty, greasy. [f. L. *oleagineus* f. L. *oleaginus* (olea olive)]

Oléan'der, n. Evergreen poisonous Levantine shrub with leathery lanceolate leaves & fine red & white flowers. [med. L, etym. dub.]

Oléas'ter, n. The wild olive; small yellow-flowered tree like it. [L. (*olea* olive, -ASTER)]

Ol'éo-, comb. form of L. *oleum* oil, as ~-*graph*, picture printed in oils, so ~-*GRAPHY* (-ôg-); ~-*margarine*, fatty substance extracted from beef fat & serving as constituent of margarine; ~-*meter* (-ôm-), instrument determining density & purity of oils; ~-*res'in*, natural mixture of volatile oil & resin, balsam, also artificial mixture of fixed or volatile oil & resin etc.

Ol'fác'tion, n. Smelling, sense of smell.

So ~-*IVE* a. [f. L. *olfacere* v.t. smell, for *olefacere* (olère v.i. smell, *facere* fact- make)]

Ol'fác'tory, a. & n. Concerned with smelling (~ *organ*, nose; ~ *nerves*); (n., usu. pl.) ~ *organ*. [prec., -ORY]

olib'anum, n. Aromatic gum resin used as incense. [med. L, f. Gk *libanos* frank-incense (o- perh. f. L. *oleum* oil, Gk *ho the*, or Arab. *al the*)]

Ol'id, a. Rank-smelling, fetid. [f. L. *olidus* (olère smell, -id¹)]

Ol'igárch (-k), n. Member of oligarchy. [f. Gk *oligarkhēs* (oligoí few, *arkhō* rule)]

Ol'igárchy (-ki), n. Government, State governed by the few; members of such government. So *Ol'igárch'ic* (AL) aa., *Ol'igárch'ically*² adv., (-ki-). [f. Gk *oligarkhia* (prec., -y¹)]

Ol'ig(o)-, comb. form of Gk *oligos* small, oligoi few, as ~-*ocarp'ous*, having few fruits; ~-*ocene*, Geol., between MIOCENE & EOCENE.

Ol'io, n. (pl. ~s). Mixed dish, hotchpotch, stew of various meats & vegetables; medley, farrago, miscellany. [f. Sp. *olla* stew f. L. *olla* jar]

Olivá'ceous (-shus), a. (nat. hist.). Olive-green, of dusky yellowish green. [L. *oliva* olive, -ACEOUS]

Ol'ivary, a. (anat.). Olive-shaped, oval. [f. L. *olivarius* (foll., -ARY¹)]

Ol'ive, n. & a. 1. (Also ~-*tree*, evergreen tree with narrow leaves hoary below & axillary clusters of small white flowers, bearing) small oval drupe with hard stone & bitter pulp, of dusky yellowish green when unripe & bluish black when ripe, yielding oil, & pickled unripe for eating as relish; leaf, branch, or wreath of ~ as emblem of peace (also ~-*branch*, often fig.; *hold out the ~-branch*, make overtures, show disposition, for reconciliation); wood of the ~ (also ~-*wood*). 2. ~-shaped kinds of gasteropod mollusc. 3. pl. Slices of beef or veal rolled up with herbs & stewed (usu. *beef, veal, ~s*). 4. ~-shaped bar or button for fastening garment by insertion in corresponding loop, whence *Ol'ivet'* or *Olivette'* n. 5. ~ colour. 6. ~ *crown*, garland of ~ as sign of victory; ~-*branch*, see above, also (usu. pl., w. ref. to Ps. cxxviii. 3) child(ren); ~ *oil*, extracted from ~s. 7. adj. Coloured like the unripe ~ (also ~-*green*); (of complexion) yellowish-brown. [F, f. L. *oliva*]

Ol'iver¹, n. Tilt-hammer attached to axle & worked by treadle for shaping nails etc. [?]

Ol'iver² (ô-), n. See ROLAND.

Ol'ivine, -in, n. Kind of chrysolite, chiefly olive-green. [L. *oliva* olive, -INE¹]

Ol'l'a podri'da (-rô-), rarely *ol'l'a*, n. = OLIO. [Sp., = lit. rotten pot (OLIO, L. PETRIDUS)]

(-ôl'ogý, suf. = -o- + -logy, & n. used joc. = any science, w. pl. = the sciences, mere theory.

olým'piād, *n.* Period of four years between celebrations of Olympic games, used by ancient Greeks in dating events (abbr. Ol.), 776 B.C. being first year of first O~. [f. *F olympiade* f. *L f. Gk Olumpias -ad-* (*Olumpios* see foll., -AD)]

Olým'pian, *a. & n.* 1. Of Olympus, celestial; (of manners etc.) magnificent, condescending, superior; = foll. 2. *n.* Dweller in Olympus, one of the greater ancient-Greek gods; person of superhuman calmness & detachment. [f. *L L Olympianus* (*L f. Gk Olumpios f. Olumpos*, -AN)]

Olým'pic, *a.* Of or at Olympia (~ games, held there every four years by ancient Greeks with athletic, literary, & musical competitions; also, modern quadrennial international athletic meeting at various places, the first at Athens 1896). [f. *L f. Gk Olumpikos* of Olympus (*Olympia* being named from the games in honour of Zeus of Olympus)]

Olým'pus, *n.* Thessalian mountain on which dwelt the chief Greek gods, divine abode, heaven. [*L f. Gk Olumpos*]

õm'bre (-ber, & see Ap.), *n.* Card-game popular in 17th-18th cc. [f. *Sp. hombre* f. *L hominem* nom. *homo* man, perh. thr. *F (h)ombre*]

õmbro-, comb. form of *Gk ombros* rain, as ~LOGY (-ôl'), ~METER (-õm').

õm'ëga, *n.* Last letter (Ω, ω) of Greek alphabet, long o; last of series; final development etc. (ALPHA & ~). [*Gk*, = great o]

õm'elët(te) (-ml-), *n.* Whipped eggs fried & folded & often flavoured with or containing herbs, cheese, chopped ham, jam, etc. (*savoury* ~, with herbs etc.; *sweet* ~, with sugar or jam; *cannot make an ~ without breaking eggs*, end necessitates means). [*F (-te)*, earlier *amelette* by metath. f. *alemelle* var. of *alemelle* thin plate prob. f. *L LAMELLA*]

õm'ën, *n.*, & *v.t.* Occurrence or object portending good or evil, prognostic, pre-
sage; prophetic signification (*is of good* etc. ~); (vb) foreshow, give presage of. [*L*, earlier *osmen* perh. f. *audire* hear, -MEN]

omën'tum, *n.* (anat.; pl. ~a). Fold of peritoneum connecting stomach with other viscera, caul. Hence ~AL *a.* [*L*]

omic'ron, *n.* Greek letter (O, o) = ò. [*Gk*, = small o]

õm'inous, *a.* Giving or being an omen (of good or evil, or abs.), portentous, (rare); of evil omen, inauspicious, foreshowing disaster, threatening. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [f. *L ominosus* (OMEN -inis, -OUS)]

omission (-shn), *n.* Omitting, non-inclusion; non-performance, neglect, duty not done, (sins of ~ & commission, negative & positive). So **omiss'ive** *a.* [f. *L omissio* (foll., -ION)]

omit', *v.t.* (-tt-). Leave out, not insert or include; leave undone, neglect doing, fail

to do. So **omiss'ible** *a.* [f. *L omittere* -iss- (o- for ob-, *mittere* send)]

õmní-, comb. form of *L omnis* all, in compounds taken f. *L* or formed chiefly w. *L* elements, w. sense all-, of all things, in all ways or places, as ~com'petent, having jurisdiction in all cases; ~fár'ious, of all sorts; ~mátf'ic, all-creating; ~õmn'igénous, of all kinds; ~õmní'oténce, infinite power, also God, also great influence; so ~õmní'otént *a.* (the Omnipotent, God), ~p'oténtLY² *adv.*; ~pres'ence, ubiquity, also being widespread or constantly met with; so ~pres'ent *a.*; ~õmní'science (-shens), infinite knowledge, also God, also wide information or the affectation of it; so ~õmní'sciént (-shyént) *a.* (the Omniscient, God), ~sciéntLY² *adv.*; ~õmniv'orous, feeding on anything that offers (esp. fig. of reading); so ~v'orously² *adv.*, ~v'orousNESS *n.*

õm'nibus, *n.* (pl. ~es) & *a.* 1. (Now usu. bus) large wheeled public vehicle plying on fixed route & taking up & setting down passengers at fixed, or at any, points in this; (also *hotel* ~) vehicle conveying guests between hotel & railway station; (also *private* or *family* ~) vehicle provided by railway company for conveying party & luggage to or from station; ~ book. 2. *adj.* Serving several objects at once, comprising several items, (an ~ bill, resolution, clause, etc.; ~ book, volume containing several stories, plays, etc. (freq. by a single author), published at a low price to be within the reach of all; ~ box in theatre, box on pit tier appropriated to number of subscribers; || ~ train, stopping at all stations; ~ bar, wire, etc. in electricity, through which whole current passes). [*f. L* dat. pl. of *omnis*=for all]

õm'nium gáth'erum (-dh-), *n.* Miscellaneous assemblage of persons or things, queer mixture, party to which everyone is invited. [mock *L* (*L omnium* of all, GATHER)]

õm'opláte, *n.* Shoulder-blade, scapula. [*f. Gk õmoplátë* (õmos shoulder, plátë blade)]

õm'phalo-, comb. form of *Gk omphalos* NAVE, chiefly in surg. & med. wds as ~CELE; ~TOMY (-õt-), dividing of umbilical cord.

õm'phalös, *n.* (Gk Ant.) boss on shield, conical stone at Delphi supposed to be central point of earth; centre, hub, (the centre & ~ of a world-wide empire). (see prec.)

on¹ (õn, on), *prep.* 1. (So as to be) supported by or attached to or covering or enclosing (*sat on the table; floats on the water; is on the horns of a dilemma; lives on the continent, on an annuity; have you a match on you?*, about your person; *is, gets, falls, on his legs, knees, etc.; travels on foot, wheels, the wing, the wings of the wind; tread on air, one's toes; dropped it, threw him, on the floor; had, put, a ring,*

*gloves, on his finger, hands; put a notice on the board; hangs on the wall; walks on the ceiling; has a blister on the sole of his foot; a scholar on the foundation; a colonel on half-pay; went on board; is on the jury, committee, general staff; a writer on the press; dog is on the chain; on the bench, board¹s, card²s, fence¹, market¹, nail¹, parish, rack³, shelf, spot¹, streets, stump, tury, way; on change¹, hand¹, one's hand¹s, one's own hook¹, one's knee¹s, tenterhooks; on a level¹, an equality, a par). 2. With axis, pivot, basis, motive, standard, confirmation, or guarantee, consisting in (turn on one's heel; works on a peg; based on fact; imprisonment on suspicion; on my conscience; swear on the Bible; had it on good authority; decided on no evidence; did it on purpose, deliberation; got it on good terms; on account of; on the average, whole; on penalty of death; charged him on his life to do it; a tax on paper; borrowed money on his jewels; interest on one's capital; profit on sales). 3. (So as to be) close to, in the direction of, touching, arrived at, against, just at, (house is on the shore, road; on the right, North, far side, both sides, of; Clacton-on-Sea; marched on London; hit him on the head; a box on the ear; left a card on him; serve a notice, writ, on; lay hold, seize, on; bowling is on the wicket, straight; drew his knife on me; smile, frown, turn one's back, on; make an attack on; put one on inquiring or inquiry, induce him to inquire; curse, plague, etc., on him, it; rose on their oppressors; on high; on side in football, not off side; ship is driving on shore; an on-shore wind). 4. (Of time) during, exactly at, contemporaneously with, immediately after, as a result of, (happened on the morning etc. of 29 Feb., on Christmas eve, on the next day; on the instant, immediately; on time, the minute, etc., punctually; on arriving, my return, analysis, examination, I found). 5. In manner specified by adj. (on the cheap, sly, square) or state or action specified by noun (on fire, tap, loan, lease, sale, strike, guard; on the look-out, move, run, wage, watch; on one's best behaviour). 6. Concerning, about, while engaged with, so as to affect, (keen, mad, bent, determined, set, on; gone on, sl., enamoured of; court martial was held on him; my opinion on free trade; writes, speaks, lectures, on finance; a book, an essay, on grammar; meditating on vanity; take vengeance on person; did it on my way; was, went, on an errand; is not binding on us; work tells severely on him; title was conferred on him; draw cheque on bank; conduced with him on his loss). 7. Added to (ruin on ruin, heaps on heaps). [OE *an*, on, cf. Du. *aan*, G. *an*, Gk *ana*; hence also A¹]*

on¹, adv., a., & n. 1. (So as to be) supported by, attached to, covering, enclosing, or

touching, something (has, drew, his boots on; put the tablecloth on; keep your hair on; on with your coat, put it on). 2. In some direction, towards something, farther forward, towards point of contact, in advanced position or state, with continued movement or action, in operation or activity, (look¹, look¹er-, on; getting on for two o'clock; broadly, stem, end, on, with that part forward; clipt. for imperat. of go or come on, as on, Stanley, on!; send on, in front of oneself; move² on; happened later on; from that day on; was well on in the day; is rather on, sl., half-drunk; speak, work, wait, etc., on, continue to do; so struggle on to the end, cf. on to below; slow bouler is, went, on, is, began, howling; *Macbeth* is on, being performed; gas, water, is on. lit. running, or procurable by turning tap; got, be, on, make, have made, bet; drove Jones on for 4 in cricket, to the on). 3. CARRY¹, CATCH¹, COME, GET¹, GO¹, HOLD¹, KEEP¹, PUT¹, TAKE¹, TRY, on. 4. *lie* on (colloq.), be in favour of, willing to be a party to, something (*There's a show tonight; are you on?*); be on to (person), be aware of his intentions etc., find fault with, nag (*he's always on to me*); on & off, = OFF & on; on to, compound prep. (corresponding to *on as into to in*, but usu. written as two words, & avoided in writing though common in speech; to be distinguished from the use in which each word has independent force as in *went on to the next*), to a position on (jumped on to the landing-stage). 5. adj. Towards or in part of field to left front of playing batsman's wicket (cf. OFF, LEG; MID¹ on; an on drive, whence ON-drive v.t.); || on licence, for selling beer etc. to be drunk on premises. 6. n. The on side in cricket (*a fine drive to the on*). [f. prec.]

on-, pref. used with attrib. participles, gerunds, verbal nouns, agent-nouns in -ER¹, & other derivative nn., f. vv. followed idiomatically by ON¹ (occas. alternatively with the reverse order): ON¹ coming n. & a., approach(ing); ON¹ full n., assault; ON¹ flow, onward flow; ON¹ goings or goings-on¹, (usu. strange or improper) proceedings; ON¹ hanger, HANGER²-on; ON¹ looker or LOOK¹er-on¹; ON¹ rush n., ON¹ rushing a.; ONSET.

on¹ager, n. (pl. -s, -grī). Kinds of wild ass. [L, f. Gk *onagros* (onos ass, agrios wild).]

on¹anism, n. Uncompleted coition; masturbation. [*Onan* (Gen. xxxviii. 9) -ISM]

once (wüns), adv., conj., & n. 1. For one time or on one occasion only, multiplied by one, by one degree, (*have read it more than ~; shall die ~; ~ or twice, ~ & again, a few times; ~ more, again, another time; ~ for all, in final manner, definitively; ~ in a while or way, very rarely; ~ & away, ~ ~ for all, ~ in a way; ~ bit twice shy, pain, loss, etc., teaches caution; ~*

nought is nought; second cousin ~ RE-MOVED). 2. (In negative or conditional or indefinite clause etc.) ever, at all, even for or on the first time, (if we ~ lose sight of him; when ~ he understands; have not seen him ~; ~ within call, we are safe). 3. On a certain but unspecified past occasion (also ~ upon a time), at some period in the past, former(ly), (~ there was a giant; a ~-famous doctrine, ~-loved friend; my ~ master, ally). 4. At ~, immediately, without delay, at the same time, (do it at ~, please; don't all speak at ~, lit., & as iron. deprecation inviting offers etc. from reluctant party; at ~ stern & tender); for this, or that, ~, on one occasion by way of exception; *~over n. (colloq.), preliminary inspection (often with additional sense of cursiveness). 5. conj. As soon as, if ~, when ~, (~ he hesitates, we have him). 6. n. One time, performance, etc. (~ is enough for me). [ME *ónes, ones*, (ONE, -ES)]

|| **oncer** (wün'ser), n. (colloq.). One who attends church only once on a Sunday. [ONCE + -ER¹]

on dit (see Ap.), n. Piece of hearsay. [F] **one** (wän), a., n., & pron. 1. numeral adj. Single & integral, neither none nor fractional nor plural, numbered by the first or lowest integer, half of two, a, (~ man ~ vote, principle of equality in voting; ~ vote ~ value, principle of equal constituencies; ~ & twenty etc., or usu. twenty etc. ~; ~ & twentieth etc., twenty etc. -first; ~ dozen, hundred, etc., precise or formal for a; ~ man in ten, a thousand, etc., relatively few; some ~ man must direct; for ~ thing, he drinks; ~ or two people, a few; God is ~). 2. adj. With secondary senses developed from the numeral. The only, single, forming a unity, united, identical, the same, unchanging, a particular but undefined, to be contrasted with another, (the ~ way to do it; no ~ man is equal to it; is ~ & undivided; cried out with ~ voice; were made ~, married; become ~, coalesce; remains for ever ~, always the same; all in ~ direction; met him ~ night; will take you there ~ day; ~ man's meat is another man's poison). 3. numeral noun. (With a & pl.; often used as substitute for repetition of previously expressed or implied noun) the number ~, thing numbered with it, written symbol for it, a unit, unity, a single thing or person or example, (~ is half of two; in the year ~, long ago; *Aeneid*, book ~, first book of; number ~, oneself, esp. as centre of selfish care; write down a ~, three ~s; came by ~s & twos; sell scores where they sold ~s; never a ~, none; will you make ~?, arch., join the party; ten etc. to ~, long odds, high probability; all in ~, combined; the all & the ~, totality & unity; at ~, reconciled, in agreement; I lose a neighbour & you

gain ~; pick me out a good ~, some good ~s; which, what kind of, ~ or ~s do you like?; that ~, the ~ in the window, will do). 4. adj. used ellipt. for itself or a with noun elsewhere expressed or customarily omitted & to be supplied with more or less of certainty. Single person or thing of the kind implied (~ of them lost his or her hat; ~ of the richest men in England; shall see you again ~ of these fine days; at ~ o'clock or ~, i.e. hour; ~ & sixpence, i.e. shilling; gave him ~ in the eye, owe him ~, that was a nasty ~, blow lit. or fig.; at ~ & twenty, years of age; I for ~ do not believe it; go ~ better, bid, offer, risk, more by ~ point; is ~ too many for him, too hard etc. for him to deal with by ~ degree; it is all ~ to me, the same thing, indifferent; ~ & all, all jointly & severally; ~ by ~, ~ after another, singly, successively; ~ with another, on the average; ~ or the ~, the other, formula distinguishing members of pair, as ~ is immoral, the other non-moral, also with pl. constr., as sheep & goats, of which the ~ are the good etc.; ~ another, formula of reciprocity with ~ orig. subjective & another objective or possessive, as struck ~ another, write to ~ another, buy ~ another's goods). 5. pron. A particular but unspecified person (arch.; ~ came running; ~ said it pleased him not); a person of specified kind (ANY, EVERY, SOME, NO¹, SUCH a, ~; many a ~, rhel., many people; LITTLE, dear, loved, ~s; the Holy One, One above, God; the Evil One, the devil; behaves like ~ frenzied; what a ~ he is to make excuses! colloq.; bought it from ~ Stephens); any person, esp. the speaker, spoken of as representing people in general (possessive ~s, objective ~, reference-form ~, refl. ~self, formerly his, him, he & him, himself, or ungrammatically their, them, they & them, themselves; if ~ cuts off ~'s nose, ~ hurts only ~self; it offends ~ to be told ~ is not wanted; also incorrectly for I, as ~ let it pass, for ~ did not want to seem mean). 6. ~-eyed, having only, blind of, ~ eye; ~-handed, having, done etc. with, ~ hand only; ~-horse, drawn or worked by single horse, (fig., sl.) petty, poorly equipped; ~-idea'd, -idead, possessed by single idea, narrow-minded; ~-legged, having only ~ leg, (fig.) ~-sided, unequal; ~-man, requiring, consisting of, done or managed by, ~ man; ~-pair, || room or set of rooms on first floor (above ~ pair or flight of stairs; ~-pair back, front, || such room in back or front of house); ~self', reflexive, & emphatic appositional, form of ~ as generalizing pronoun (to starve ~self is suicide; to do right ~self is the great thing); ~-sided, having, occurring on, ~ side only (a ~-sided street, with houses on ~ side only; a ~-sided plant, with leaves or flowers all on ~ side of stem), larger etc. on ~ side, partial, unfair, prejudiced; so

~*síd'edlly*¹ adv., ~*síd'edness* n.; ~*step*, vigorous kind of foxtrot in duple time; ~*way street* (in which traffic may pass in ~ direction only). Hence ~*fold* a. [com.-Tent.; OE *án*, cf. Du. *een*, G *ein*, cogn. w. Gk *oinos*, *oinē*, ace, L *unus* one; *an*, *a*, are weakened forms]

-*ōne*, chem. suf. (1) used unsystematically as in OZONE; (2) in names of hydrocarbons (see -ANE). [f. Gk *ōnē* fem. patronymic]

oneir'o- (-nfr-), comb. form of Gk *oneiros*

dream: ~*MANCY*; ~*crit'ic*, interpreter of dreams; so ~*crit'ical* a., ~*crit'icism* n.

one'nēss (wūn-n-), n. Being one, singleness; singularity, uniqueness; wholeness, unity, union, agreement, concord; identity, sameness, changelessness. [-NESS]

on'er (wū-), n. Remarkable or pre-eminent person or thing (sl.; a ~ at, expert in; *gave him a ~*, severe blow); (colloq.) stroke etc. counting one, esp. one-run hit at cricket; || (sl.) thumping lie. [-ER¹]

ōn'erous, a. Burdensome, causing or requiring trouble, (~ *property* in law, accompanied with obligations). Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [f. OF *onerous* f. L *onerous* (*onus oneris* burden, -OUS)]

onion (ūn'yon), n., & v.t. 1. (Plant with) edible rounded bulb of many concentric coats & pungent smell & flavour, much used in cooking or eaten pickled; (sl.) native of Bermuda; *FLAMING ~s*; *off one's ~* (sl.), off one's head; ~*couch* or ~*grass* or ~*twitch*, kind of wild oat; ~*shell*, kinds of mollusc; hence ~*x*² (ūn'yo-) a. 2. v.t. Rub (eyes) with ~ to make them water. [f. F *oignon* f. L *unionem* nom. o large pearl, onion]

*ōn'ly*¹, a. That is (or are) the one (or all the) specimen(s) of the class, sole, (*the ~ way is to die*; *the ~ child of his parents*; *the ~ instances known*; *was an ~ son*; *one ~ object was visible*; *my one & ~ hope*; *molley's the ~ wear*, best or ~ one worth considering). [OE *dnlic* (ONE, -LY¹)]

*ōn'ly*², adv. & conj. 1. Solely, merely, exclusively, & no one or nothing more or besides or else, & that is all, (*is right because it is customary ~*, *is right ~ because it is customary*; ~ *you or you ~ can guess*, no one else can; *you can ~ guess or guess ~*, can do no more; *I ~ thought I would do it*, formed the design & did not execute it, or did it without external instigation; *I not ~ heard it, but saw it*; *if ~*, assuming merely that, also as wishing formula, as *if ~ someone would leave me a legacy!*; ~ *not*, all but; *has ~ just come, came ~ yesterday*, no longer ago; ~ *too glad, true*, etc., glad etc. & not, as might be expected, the opposite). 2. conj. It must however be added that, but then, (*he makes good resolutions, ~ he never keeps them*); with the exception, were it not, that (*he does well, ~ that he is nervous at the start*; ~

that you would be bored, I should —). [ONE, -LY²]

ōn'omatōp, -ōpe, n. Onomatopoeic word. [shortened f. foll.]

ōnōmatōpoe'ia (-pēa, -pēya), n. Formation of names or words from sounds that resemble those associated with the object or action to be named, or that seem naturally suggestive of its qualities; word so formed (e.g. *cuckoo*). So ~*poe'ic* (-pē-), ~*pōēt'ic*, aa., ~*poe'ically* (-pē-), ~*pōēt'ically*, adv. [f. L f. Gk *onomatopōia* word-making (*onoma* -alos name, *poieō* make)]

ōn'sēt, n. Attack, assault, impetuous beginning, (esp. at the first ~). [f. to SET on]

ōn'slaught (-awt), n. Onset, fierce attack. [perh. f. Du. *aanslag* or G *anschlag* (an on, *schlagen* strike) w. assim. to draught etc.]

ōn'to, prep. See ON² to.

ōnto-, comb. form of part. of Gk *eimi* be: ~*gēn'esis*, origin & development of the individual being (cf. PHYLOGENESIS), whence ~*gēnēt'ic* a., ~*gēnēt'ically* adv.; *ōntō'gēny*, = ~genesis, also embryology; *ōntōl'ogy*, department of metaphysics concerned with the essence of things or being in the abstract, so ~*lo'gical* a., ~*lo'gically* adv., *ōntōl'ogist* n.

ōn'us, n. (no pl.). Burden, duty, responsibility; ~ *probdn'dī*, = BURDEN¹ of proof. [L]

ōn'ward, adv. & a., *ōn'wards* (-z), adv. Further on, towards the front, with advancing motion; (adj.) directed ~. [ON², -WARD(S)]

ōn'y'mous, a. Not anonymous. [f. Gk *onuma* name + -OUS after *anonymous*]

ōn'yx, n. Kind of quartz allied to agate with different colours in layers; (Path.) opacity of lower part of cornea; ~ *marble*, of banded ~-like structure. [L, f. Gk *onux* nail, onyx]

ōo-, *ō-*, comb. form of Gk *ōion* egg, ovum, in scientific usu. biol. wds, as *ōōgēn'esis*, production or development of ovum; *ōōc'ium* (ōō-), budlike sac for receiving & fertilizing ova in polyzoa; *ōōg'amous*, reproducing by union of male & female cells; *ōōl'ogy*, study, collecting, of birds' eggs, so *ōōlo'gical*, *ōōl'ogist*; *ōōsperm*, fertilized ovum or female cell.

ōō'die, n. (colloq.). (Always in pl.) superabundance (~s of money). [?]

ōōf, n. (sl.). Money, pelf, cash; ~*bird*, source of money, rich person. Hence ~*x*³ a. [for *oof-tish* Yiddish = G *auf dem tische* on the table]

ō'olite, n. Granular limestone, each grain being a calcareous particle in carbonate of lime, roe-stone; (Geol.) series of fossiliferous rocks of this formation lying between Chalk, or Wealden, & Lias. Hence *ōōlit'ic* a. [f. F *oolithe* (ōō-, -LITE)]

ōōl'ōng, n. A dark kind of cured Chinese tea. [Chin. *wukung*, = black dragon]

oem, n. (S.-Afr.). Uncle (esp. *Oom Paul*—President Kruger). [Du.]

oemph, n. (sl.). Sex appeal. [f]

-oon, suf. formerly used in borrowing F wds in *-on* (*drag-on*) except when the final syl. was not accented (*baron*); esp. for F *-on* f. lt. *-one* f. L *-onem* nom. *-o* (*ball-on*, *buff-on*, *cart-on*); rarely in native wds (*spit-on*); F wds now taken have *-on* in E (*chignon*); the L expresses humorous or contemptuous description (*Naso Nosey*), the lt. bigness or coarseness, the F (exc. in lt. borrowings) small size; in E the suf. has no definite meaning.

oont, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Camel. [Hind.]

ooze¹, n. 1. Wet mud, slime, esp. in riverbed or estuary or on ocean bottom. 2. Tanning liquor, infusion of oak-bark etc.; *~ calf*, calf-skin through which dye has been forced. 3. Exudation, sluggish flow, something that oozes. Hence **ooz'y**² a., **ooz'ily**² adv., **ooz'iness** n. [1 f. OE *wise* cogn. w. ON *veisa* puddle; 2 f. OE *wós* juice, sap; 3 f. foll.]

ooze², v.i. & t. (Of moisture) pass slowly through the pores of a body, exude, percolate; (of substance) exude moisture; (fig.) leak out or away (*the secret ~d out*; *my courage is oozing away*); emit (moisture, information, encouragement). [f. prec. 2]

op-. See **OH-**.

opacity, n. Being opaque, quality of not allowing passage to or (rarely) of not reflecting light, non-transparency, obscurity; obscurity of meaning, obtuseness of understanding. [f. F *opacité* f. L *opacitatem* (OPAQUE, -TY)]

op'ah (-a), n. Rare brilliant-coloured large N.-Atlantic fish of mackerel family, king-fish, moon-fish. [W.-Afr. name]

op'al, n. Amorphous quartz-like form of hydrous silica some kinds of which show changing colours (e.g. *common* ~, milk-white or bluish with green, yellow, & red reflexions), whence *~ES'CENT*, *~ESQUE'* (-ísk), aa., *~ES'ENCE* n.; (Commerc.) semi-translucent white glass. [f. L *opalus* f. Skr. *upala* gem]

op'al(ine), a. & n. 1. Opal-like, opalescent, iridescent. 2. n. Semi-translucent white glass. So *~INE*(3) v.t. [prec., -INE¹]

opâque' (-k), a. (~r, ~st), & n. Not reflecting (rare) or transmitting light, not shining (rare), impenetrable to sight; not lucid, obscure; obtuse, dull-witted; (n.) *the* ~, darkness. Hence *~LY*² (-kl-) adv., *~NESS* (-kn-) n. [f. L *opacus* shaded; earlier *opake*, now assim. to F]

ope, v.t. & i. (Poet. for) **OPEN**¹. [after obs. adj. *ope* reduced f. *open* on anal. of p.p. (cf. *awake*, *wave*, f. *awaken*, *woven*)]

op'en¹, a. (~er, ~est), & n. 1. Not closed or blocked up, allowing of entrance or passage or access, having gate or door or lid or part of boundary withdrawn, unenclosed, unconfined, uncovered, bare, exposed, undisguised, public, manifest,

not exclusive or limited, (~ *gate*, *passage*, *church*, *drawer*, *box*, *field*, *grave*, *carriage*, *hostilities*, *scandal*, *contempt*; ~ *air*, *outdoors*; *door flew* ~; ~ *boat*, undecked; *lay* ~, expose esp. by cutting skin etc. of; ~ *ears*, eagerly attentive, whence *~eared*² a.; ~ *mouth*, in voracity, frankness, etc., & esp. in gaping stupidity or surprise, whence *~mouthed*², pr. -dhd, a.; ~ *mind*, accessibility to new ideas, unprejudiced or undecided state, whence *~minded*² a., *~mind'edly*² adv., *~mind'edness* n.; *is* ~ to conviction, offers, etc.; *keep* ~ *doors* or *house*, entertain all comers, be hospitable; *the* ~ *door*, free admission of foreign nations to country for trade; *force an* ~ *door*, demand from willing giver; *the exhibition is now* ~, admitting visitors; *shop, show, court, is* ~ *at such hours*; ~ *heart*, frankness, unsuspiciousness, kindness, cordiality, whence *~hearted*² a., *~heart'edly*² adv., *~heart'edness* n.; ~ *champion*, || *scholarship*, successful, won, after unrestricted competition; *race is* ~ *to all*; *position is* ~ *to attack*; *O* ~ *Brethren*, less exclusive section of the Plymouth Brethren; ~ *cast* (surface) *coal*; ~ *hearth* process (of steel-making in shallow reverberatory furnace); ~ *time*, what is not *CLOSE*¹ time; *river, harbour, is* ~, free of ice; ~ *weather, winter*, not frosty; *bowels are* ~, not constipated; ~ *country*, free of fences; *there are three courses* ~ *to us*; ~ *question*, matter on which differences of opinion are legitimate; ~ *VERDICT*. 2. Expanded, unfolded, outspread, spread out, not close, with intervals, porous, communicative, frank, (~ *book, flower*; ~ *letter*, esp. protest etc. printed in newspaper etc. but addressing individual; ~ *country*, affording wide views; ~ *order*, Mil. & Nav., formation with wide spaces between men or ships; ~ *harmony*, of chord with wide intervals; ~ *ice*, through which navigation is possible; *receive with* ~ *arms*, heartily, whence *~armed* a.; *with* ~ *eyes*, not unconsciously or under misapprehension, also in eager attention or surprise, whence *~eyed*² (-id) a.; *has an* ~ *hand*, gives freely, whence *~hand'ed*² a., *~hand'edly*² adv., *~hand'edness* n.; ~ *face*, ingenuous-looking, whence *~faced*² a.; ~ *work* or *~work*, pattern with interstices in metal, lace, etc.; *will be* ~ *with you*, speak frankly). 3. (mus.). (Of note) produced from unstopped pipe or string or without slide, key, or piston. 4. (phonet.). (Of vowel) produced with relatively wide opening of mouth (cf. *CLOSE*¹); (of syllable) ending in vowel; hence *~NESS* n. 5. n. *The* ~, ~ space or country or air, public view. [com.-Teut., cf. Du. *open*, G *offen*; f. root of UP¹]

öp'en², v.t. & i. 1. Make or become **OPEN**¹ or more open (~ *ESAME*; *shops* ~ *at 9.0 a.m.*;

~ a business, shop, account, campaign, etc., start or establish it or set it going; ~ fire, begin shooting; abs. for ~ book, as ~ed at p. 12; ~ ground, break up with plough etc.; ~ bowels, cause evacuation; ~s a prospect lit. or fig., brings it to view; ~ the door to, give opportunity for; ~ one's designs, reveal or communicate them; ~ one's eyes, show surprise; ~ another's eyes, undeceive or enlighten him; ~ the mind, heart, etc., expand or enlarge it; not ~ lips, remain silent; ~ the BALL³; ~ PARLIAM^{NT}: ~ the case, (of counsel in lawcourt) make preliminary statement before calling witnesses; ~ the debate, begin it, be first speaker; door, room, ~s into passage, on to lawn, etc.; the wonders of astronomy were ~ing to him, becoming known; ~ one's shoulders in cricket, of batsman's attitude in driving). 2. Commence speaking (~ed upon the fiscal question, with a compliment, etc.). 3. Make a start (larri ~ed active, was in demand at once; session ~ed yesterday). 4. (Of hounds, & derog. of men) begin to give tongue. 5. (naut.). Get view of by change of position, come into full view, (take care not to ~ the obelisk; the harbour light ~ed). 6. ~ out, unfold, develop, expand, (t. & l.), accelerate, become communicative; ~ up, make accessible, bring to notice, reveal. Hence ~ABL² a., (-)~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [f. prec.]

öp'ening¹ (-pn-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: gap, passage, aperture; commencement, initial part; counsel's preliminary statement of case; (Chess) recognized sequence of moves for beginning game; opportunity, favourable conjuncture for. [-ING¹]

öp'ening² (-pn-), a. In vbl senses; esp., initial, first, (his ~ remarks). [-ING²]

öp'enly, adv. Without concealment, publicly, frankly. [-LY²]

öp'era, n. Dramatic performance or composition of which music is an essential part, branch of art concerned with these, (grand ~, without spoken dialogue; comic ~, of humorous character; *opéra comique* F, with spoken dialogue, not necessarily humorous; ~ *bouffe* pr. böuf, of farcical character); ~-cloak, -hood, lady's for wearing at ~ or going to evening parties; ~-glass(es), small binocular for use at ~ or theatre; ~-hat, man's tall collapsible hat; ~-house, theatre for performance of ~s. [It. f. L. =labour, work]

öp'eräte, v.i. & t. 1. Be in action, produce an effect, exercise influence, (the tax ~es to our disadvantage); play (upon person's fears etc., try to act (up)on; (of medicines etc.) have desired effect, act. 2. Perform surgical or other operation (whence, of cases, öp'erable a.); (try to) execute purpose; (Mil.) carry on strategic movements; (of stockbroker etc.) buy & sell esp. with view of influencing prices.

3. Bring about, accomplish, (energy ~es changes); manage, work, conduct, (chiefly U.S.). 4. ~ing-room, -table, for use in surgery; ~ing-theatre, room for surgical operations done before students. So ~OR² n. [f. L. *operari* work (*opus -eris* work). -ATE³]

öp'erät'[ic, a. Of, like, opera. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [as OPERATIZE, DRAMATIC¹]

öp'erä'tion, n. 1. Working, action, way things work, efficacy, validity, scope, (is in, comes into, ~; its ~ is easily explained: must extend its ~, make it valid for longer time or in wider sphere). 2. Active process, activity, performance, discharge of function, (the ~ of breathing, thinking, pruning, etc.). 3. Financial transaction. 4. (surg.). Thing done with hand or instrument to some part of body to remedy deformity, injury, disease, pain, etc. 5. Strategic movement of troops, ships, etc. (COMBINED ~). 6. (math.). Subjection of number or quantity to process affecting its value or form, e.g. multiplication. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a., (esp.) engaged in or on, used for, (warlike) ~s. [OF, f. L. *operationem* (OPERATE, -ION)]

öp'erative, a. & n. 1. Having effect, in operation, efficacious; practical, not theoretical or contemplative, (the ~ part of the work); of surgical operations; hence ~LY³ adv. 2. n. Worker, artisan, mechanic, workman, mill-hand. [f. LL *operativus* (OPERATE, -IVE)]

öp'eratize, v.t. Put into operative form. [irreg. after DRAMATIZE, cf. OPERATIC]

öp'ér'ül'um, n. (pl. ~a). Fish's gill-cover; lid or valve closing aperture of shell when tenant is retracted; similar lidlike structure in plants etc. Hence ~AR¹, ~ATT², ~ätéd, aa., ~I- comb. form. [I. (*operire* cover, -CULE)]

öp'erëtt'a, n. One-act or short light opera. [It. (OPERA, -ETTE)]

öp'eröse, a. (pedant.). Requiring or showing or taking great pains, laborious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *operosus* (*opus -eris* work, -OSE¹)]

öp'h'icleide (-lid), n. Keyed wind-instrument consisting of tapering brass tube bent double serving as bass or alto to key-bugle; (also *tuba*) powerful organ reed-pipe. [f. F *ophiclide* (Gk *ophis* serpent. *kleis* -dos key)]

öph'id'ian, a. & n. (Member) of the *Ophidia* or order of reptiles including snakes. [mod. L *ophidia* pl., prob. irreg. f. Gk *ophis* snake, -AN]

öphio-, comb. form of Gk *ophis* snake, as ~LATER, ~LATRY, (-öl'), serpent-worship(per), ~LOGY (-öl').

öp'h'ite, n. Serpentine, serpentine marble. Hence *öphit'io* a. [f. L f. Gk *ophitis* f. *ophis* snake, -ITE³(2)]

öp'hthäl'mia, n. Inflammation of the eye. [LL f. Gk (*ophthalmos* eye)]

öp'hthäl'mic, a. & n. Of the eye; affected

with ophthalmia; (remedy) good for eye-disease. [f. L f. Gk *ophthalmikos* (prec., -IC)]

ōphthālma|(o)-, comb. form of Gk *ophthalmos* eye, as ~IT'IS, ~OL'OGY, ~OL'OGIST, ~OT'OMY; *ōphthal'moscope*, instrument for inspecting retina.

ōp'iate¹, a. (arch.), & n. 1. Containing opium, narcotic, soporific. 2. n. Drug containing opium & easing pain or inducing sleep. [f. med. L *opiatus* (OPIMUM, -ATE²)]

ōp'iate², v.t. Mix with opium. [prob. f. med. L ⁺*opiare* (OPIMUM, -ATE³)]

opine', v.t. Express or hold the opinion (that, or abs. in parenthesis). [f. L *opinari*]

opin'ion (-yon), n. 1. Judgement or belief based on grounds short of proof, provisional conviction, view held as probable, (in my ~, as it seems to me; am of ~ that, believe; a matter of ~, disputable point); (also public ~) views or sentiment, esp. on moral questions, prevalent among people in general. 2. What one thinks on or on a particular question, a belief, a conviction, (the courage of, act up to, one's ~s). 3. Formal statement by expert when consulted of what he holds to be the fact or the right course, professional advice, (you had better have another ~). 4. Estimate (have, formed, a very high, low, favourable, ~ of him); (with neg.) favourable estimate (have no ~ of Frenchmen). [F, f. L *opinionem* (OPINĒ, -ION)]

opin'ionated (-nyo-), a. Obstinate in opinion, dogmatic; self-willed. Hence ~NESS n. [f. obs. *opinionate* in same sense, perh. latinized form of obs. *opinioned*³]

opin'ionative (-nyo-), a. = prec. [OPINION + -ATIVE, cf. TALKATIVE]

ō. pip. See OBSERVATION, PIP¹.

ōpisōm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring curved lines as on map, made of wheel running on screw. [f. Gk *opisō* backwards, -METER]

opis'thograph (-ahf), n. (Gk & Rom. Ant.). Parchment or slab with writing on both sides. [f. Gk *opisthographos* f. *opisthen* behind + -GRAPH]

ōp'iūm, n., & v.t. 1. Reddish-brown heavy-scented bitter drug prepared from juice of kind of poppy, smoked or eaten as stimulant, intoxicant, or narcotic, & used as sedative (LAUDANUM) in medicine; ~den, haunt of ~smokers; ~habit, of taking ~; hence ~ISM(5) n., ~IZE(5) v.t. 2. v.t. Drug or treat with ~. [L, f. Gk *opion* poppy-juice (*opos* juice)]

ōpodēl'dōc, n. Kinds of soap liniment. [wd used & prob. made by Paracelsus for kinds of medical plaster]

opōp'anāx, n. A fetid gum resin formerly used in medicine; a gum resin used in perfumery. [L f. Gk, f. *opos* juice, *panax* (*pos pantos* all, *akos* cure) name of plant]

opōs'um, n. Kinds of American small arboreal or aquatic nocturnal marsupial

mammal with thumbed hind-foot (see also POSSUM); (Austral.) = PHALANGER. [Amer.-Ind.]

|| **ōpp'idān**, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of a town (now rare); (at Eton) non-colleger, boy in boarding-house in town. [f. L *oppidanus* (*oppidum* town, -AN)]

ōpp'il'iate, v.t. (med.). Block up, obstruct. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *oppilare* ram]

oppōn'ency, n. (rare). Antagonism, opposition. [coll., -ENCY]

oppōn'ent, a. & n. 1. Opposing, contrary, opposed, (now rare; ~muscle, opposing thumb or lateral digit to other digit). 2. n. Adversary, antagonist. [f. L *opponere* place, -ENT]

ōpp'ortūne (also -ūn'), a. (Of time) suitable, well-selected or as favourable as if chosen; (of action or event) well-timed, done or occurring by design or chance at favourable conjuncture. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., (also -ūn'). [f. F *opportun* f. L *opportunus* f. *portus* -ūs harbour]

ōpp'ortūn'ism, n. Allowing of due or undue weight to circumstances of the moment in determining policy; preference of what can to what should be done, compromise, practical politics, adaptation to circumstances; putting of expediency before principle or place before power, political time-serving. So ~IST (2) n. [f. prec. after It. (-ismo) & F (-isme)]

ōpp'ortūn'ity, n. Opportuneness (rare); favourable juncture, good chance, opening, (of doing, to do, for action, or abs.; find, make, get, seize, give, afford, an ~). [f. F *opportunité* f. L *opportunitatem* (OPFORTUNE, -TY)]

oppōse' (-z), v.t. 1. Place or produce or cite (thing, person) as obstacle, antagonist, counterpoise, or contrast, to, represent (things) as antithetical, (to fury let us ~e patience; you are ~ing things that are practically identical; to Plato I ~e Aristotle; ~ed himself to it with all his power; the thumb can be ~ed to any of the fingers, placed against it front to front, whence ~ABLE (-z)-a., ~ABILITY n.). 2. Set oneself against (person, thing); withstand, resist, obstruct, propose the rejection of (resolution, motion, etc.); (abs.) act as opponent or check (it is the duty of an opposition to ~e). 3. p.p. Contrary, opposite, contrasted, (characters strongly ~ed; black is ~ed to white; (of persons) hostile, adverse, (is firmly ~ed to protection). [f. F *opposer* POSSE²]]

oppōse'lless (-zl-), a. (poet.). Irresistible. [-LESS]

ōpp'osite (-z-), a. (often governing n. by ellipse of to), n., adv., & prep. 1. Contrary in position (to), facing, front to front or back to back (with), (on ~ sides of the square; came from, went in, ~ directions; the tree ~ to or ~ the house; ~ leaves etc. in Bot., placed at same height on ~ sides of stem, or placed straight in front of other

organ, opp. *alternate*; ~ *number*, person or thing similarly placed in another set etc. to the given one); of contrary kind, diametrically different to or *from*, the other of a contrasted pair, (of an ~ *kind to, from, what I expected; much liked by the ~ sex*); hence ~LY² adv. (chiefly Bot.), ~NESS n., (-z-). 2. n. ~ thing or term (*you are cold-blooded, she is the ~; the most extreme ~s have some qualities in common*). 3. adv. & prep. In ~ place, position, or direction (to) (*there was an explosion ~, in the house across the street; ~ prompter in theatre, abbr. o.p., usu. to actor's right; happened ~ the Mansion House*); *play ~*, (of leads in stage-play or film) have (specified actor or actress) as one's leading man, lady. [F, f. L *oppositus* p.p. of *ponere* place)]

oppōs'iti- (-z-), comb. form f. L as prec. in bot. vds, as ~fol'ious, opposite-leaved; ~sep'alous, (of stamens) placed straight in front of sepal.

oppositiōn (-z-), n. 1. Placing opposite (~ of the thumb, cf. *oppose*); diametrically opposite position (esp. Astron., of two heavenly bodies when their longitude differs by 180°, opp. *conjunction*; *planet is in ~, opposite sun*); contrast, antithesis. 2. (log.). Relation between two propositions with same subject & predicate but differing in quantity or quality or both. 3. Antagonism, resistance, being hostile. (*offer a determined ~; did it in ~ to public opinion; was in ~ at the time, belonging to the ~ in next sense*). 4. || *The O~, His Majesty's O~*, chief parliamentary party opposed to that in office (*the leader of the O~; the O~ whips, benches, etc.*). 5. Any party opposed to some proposal. Hence ~AL a. (rare), ~IST(2) n. & a. (rare), (-zisho-). [f. L *oppositio* POSITION]]

oppōs'itive (-z-), n. (rare). Adversative, antithetic; fond of opposing. [prec., -IVE]

oppress', v.t. Overwhelm with superior weight or numbers or irresistible power; lie heavy on, weigh down, (spirits, imagination, etc.); govern tyrannically, keep under by coercion, subject to continual cruelty or injustice. So **opprē'ssion** (-shn), ~OR², nn., ~IVE a., ~IVELY² adv., ~IVENESS n. [f. OF *oppressor* f. med. L *oppressare* frequent. of L *premere* press]]

opprōb'rious, a. Conveying reproach, abusive, vituperative. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *opprobrieux* (foll., -OUS)]

opprōb'rium, n. Disgrace attaching to some act or conduct, infamy, crying of shame. [L, f. OF *probrare* f. *probrum* disgraceful act]]

oppugn' (-ūn), v.t. Controvert, call in question, whence ~ER¹ (-ūn²) n.; (rare) attack, resist, be in conflict with, (so **oppūg'nant** a. & n., **oppūg'nanx**, **oppūg'nanx**, **oppūgnā'tion**, nn., all rare). [f. L *opugnare* fight] attack, besiege]

ōp'simāth, n. (rare). One who learns late in life. So **ōpsim'athy¹** n. [f. Gk *opsimathēs* (opse late, *manthanō* learn)]

ōpsōn'ic, a. Having the effect on bacteria of making them easier of consumption by phagocytes (~ *action, power*; ~ *index*, numerical expression of the phagocytic power of the serum of a patient under anti-bacterial injections as below). So **ōp'sonin** n., the substance produced in patient's blood by injection of dead cultures of the bacteria of his disease. [f. Gk *opsion* provisions (*opsōn* cooked meat), -IC]

ōpt, v.i. Exercise an option, make choice. (between alternatives or for alternative). Hence ~ANT n. [f. F *opter* f. L *optare* choose, wish]

ōpt'ative (or *ōptāt'*), a. & n. (gram.). 1. Expressing wish (~ *mood*, set of verbal forms of this kind, distinct chiefly in Greek and Sanskrit; ~ *use of subjunctive*); hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. ~ *mood*, verbal form belonging to it. [F (-if, -ive), f. LL *optativus* (prec., -ATIVE)]

ōpt'ic, a. & n. 1. (anat.). Of the eye or sense of sight (~ *nerve, neuritis, etc.*; ~ *angle*, between lines from extremities of object to eye, or from two eyes to one point). 2. n. Eye (now usu. *loc.*); (pl., with sing. constr.) science of sight & esp. of the laws of its medium, light. [f. F *optique* f. med. L f. Gk *ophtikos* (*optos* seen f. *op-*, cf. *opsonia* fut. of *horao* see, -IC)]

ōpt'ical, a. Visual, ocular, (~ *illusion*, produced by too implicit confidence in the evidence of sight); of sight or light in relation to each other, belonging to optics, constructed to assist sight or on the principles of optics. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec., -AL]

ōpti'cian (-shn), n. Maker or seller of optical instruments esp. spectacles. [f. F *opticien* (OPTIC, -ICIAN)]

|| **optime**. See **WRANGLER**.

ōp'tim'ism, n. Doctrine, esp. as set forth by Leibnitz, that the actual world is the best of all possible worlds; view that good must ultimately prevail over evil in the universe; sanguine disposition, inclination to take bright views. So ~IST(2) n. & a., ~IS'tic a., ~IS'tically adv., ~IZE(2) v.i. [f. F *optimisme* (L *optimus* best, -ISM)]

ōp'timum, n. (chiefly biol.). Most favourable (natural) conditions (for growth, reproduction, etc.); (attrib.) best or most favourable (~ *temperature*). [L, neut. of *optimus* best]

ōp'tion, n. Choice, choosing, thing that is or may be chosen, (*make one's ~; none of the ~s is satisfactory*); liberty of choosing, freedom of choice, (LOCAL³ ~; *imprisonment without the ~ of a fine; have no ~ but to, must*); (Stock Exch. etc.) purchased right to call for or make delivery within specified time of specified stocks etc. at

specified rate. [F, f. L *optionem* (st. of *optare* choose, -TION)]

ôp'tional (-sho-), a. Not obligatory. [prec., -AL]

ôptô'm'êter, n. Instrument for testing the refractive power & visual range of the eye. [f. Gk *ôpos* seen + -METER]

ôp'tophô'ne, n. Instrument converting light into sound, & so enabling the blind to read print etc. by ear. [f. OPTIC, -O-, + Gk *phônê* sound]

ôp'ülent, a. Rich, wealthy; abounding, abundant, well stored. Hence or cogn.

ôp'ü'ence n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *opulens* or *-lentus* (open accus. quantity, -ULENT)]

ôp'us, n. (no pl.). Musician's separate composition of any kind (used esp. in citing it from among his works by number; abbr. op.; *Beethoven op. 15*); *mâg'num* ~, ~ *mâg'num*, or ~, great literary undertaking, writer's or other artist's chief production. [L, = work]

opüs'cûle, **opüs'cûlum** (pl. -la), n. Minor opus or literary composition. [(*-ule* F) f. L (*-um*) dim. of prec. (-CULE)]

ôr¹, n. (her.). Gold or yellow in armorial bearings. [F, f. L *aurum* gold]

|| **ôr²**, prep. & conj. (arch.). Before, ere, (chiefly now in *or ever*, or *e'er*, poet.). [OE *dr* adv. early, w. sense of its compar. *æðr* ERE]

or¹ (ôr, or), conj. introducing second of two alternatives (*white or black*), all but the first (*white or grey or black*) or only the last (*white, grey, or black*) of any number, the second of each of several pairs (*white or black, red or yellow, blue or green*), or (poet.) each of two (*or in the heart or in the head*). An alternative introduced by or may be (1) on equal footing with preceding (*shall you be there or not?*; *any Tom, Dick, or Harry*); (2) as true as the preceding (*ripe tomatoes are red or yellow*); (3) more synonym (*common or garden*); (4) indication that preceding is doubtfully accurate (*one or two, five or six*, etc., a few); (5) explanation of preceding (*saw a dug-out or hollowed-tree boat*); (6) statement of only remaining possibility or choice given (often after *either*; *a thing must surely be or not be; for goodness' sake either take it or leave it*); (7) statement of result of rejection etc. of preceding (often with *else*; *she must weep or she must die; make haste, or else you will be late*); (8) second etc. member of indirect question or conditional protasis after *whether* (*ask him whether he was there or not; must do it whether I like or dislike it*). In syntax, a set of alternatives with or is sing. if each member is sing. (*man or woman, boy or girl, goes unmolested*; not *go*); if the members differ in number etc., the nearest prevails (*were you or he, was he or you, there?; either he or you were, either you or he was*), but some forms (e.g., *was I or you on duty?*) are avoided; forms in which

difference of gender in the members causes difficulty with pronouns (*a landlord or landlady expects their, his or her, his, rent*) are usually avoided, *their rent or the rent due to them* being ungrammatical, *his or her rent or the rent due to him or her* clumsy, & *his rent or the rent due to him* slovenly. [f. obs. *other* conj., prob. modif. of OE *othile* or (cf. G older, earlier *eddo, ode*, etc.) on anal. of alternative etc. wds in -THER!]

-or¹, suf. varying with *-our* (ME), f. AF *-our* f. OF *-or*, *-ur*, F *-eur*, in wds f. L nn. of condition in *-or* *-oris* mostly f. vbs in *-ere*, as *liquor* (ME *licour*, *arlour*; all changed in U.S. to *-or*; in Britain many retain *-our*).

-or², suf. (varying with *-er*, see below) in nn. expressing (1) personal agent (*possessor*), (2) thing that acts, instrument, machine, etc., (*extensor*), f. L *-or* *-oris* appended to p.p. stems. L *-or* was always preceded by *-i-* or *-s-*, which remains in all E recent adoptions (mis-spelt in *author* f. *auctor*) taken direct or thr. F *-teur*, *-seur*; but L wds in *-alor*, *-elur*, *-itor*, taken f. OF have lost *-t-* & usu. the preceding vowel; thus L *donator(em)*, OF *doneor*, *doneur*, AF *donour*, E *donor*; *saviour* retains trace of *-al-* (see *-iour*) in *-i-*; some E agent nn. were formed orig. in F on this anal., as *surveyor*, *warrior*. In E, *-or*, pronounced like *-er*^{1,2}, has been displaced by it in some wds, as *barber* (ME & AF *barbour* f. L *barbator(em)*), & has displaced it in others, as *sailor* (perh. on anal. of *tailor*), *chancellor*. When *-er* & *-or* coexist, *-or* has occas. a more legal or professional sense.

ô'rach, n. Kitchen-garden plant. Mountain Spinach. [earlier *arache* f. F *arroche* f. L *atriplicem* nom. *-er* f. Gk *atrâpharârus*]

ô'racle, n. 1. Place at which ancient Greeks etc. were accustomed to consult their deities for advice or prophecy (*work the ~*, secure desired answer by tampering with priests etc., also fig. bring secret influence to bear in one's favour); response, often ambiguous or obscure, given at such place. 2. Holy of holies or mercy-seat in Jewish temple. 3. (Vehicle, personal or other, of) divine inspiration or revelation. 4. Person or thing serving as infallible guide, test, or indicator; authoritative, profoundly wise, or mysterious adviser or advice, judge or judgement, prophet or prophecy. Hence (esp. w. ref. to obscurity) **orâc'ûlar¹** a., **orâc'ûlarly²** adv., **orâc'ûlâr'ity** n. [f. L *oraculum* (orare speak, *-culo-* instr. suf.)]

ôr'al, a. & n. 1. Spoken, verbal, by word of mouth; (Anat.) of the mouth. 2. n. (colloq.). ~ examination etc. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *os oris* mouth, -AL]

ô'range¹ (-inj), n. & a. 1. (Evergreen tree bearing) large roundish many-celled juicy acid or sweet fruit enclosed in bright

reddish-yellow tough rind (*squeeze the ~*, take all the good from anything; *squeezed ~*, thing from which no more good can be got; *China ~*, former name of common ~; *mock ~*, the shrub *Syringa*; *~s & lemons*, nursery game, also kind of toad-flax; *Blenheim ~*, kind of apple); (also ~-colour) reddish-yellow; ~-blossom, flowers of ~, worn by brides at wedding; ~-fin, kind of trout; ~ MARMALADE; ~-stick, thin pointed stick for finger-nails; ~-tip, kind of butterfly. 2. adj. ~-coloured, reddish-yellow. Hence **ō'rangery**(3) (-inj-) n. [OF, ult. f. Arab. *niranj*]

Orange² (ō'rinj), n. Town on Rhône from which *Princes of ~* took title (*William of ~* in Eng. hist., King William III); (attrib. & comb.) connected with Irish ultra-protestant party (prob. f. the ~men, political society formed 1795 for protestant ascendancy in Ireland, prob. named after ~ lodge of freemasons in Belfast, prob. named after William), whence **ō'rangism**(3) (-inj-) n. [F, f. L *Arausionem* nom. -o]

orangeade¹ (-injād), n. Effervescent or still drink of orange juice etc. [-ADE]

orāng-outāng¹ (-ōūt-), **ō'rang-ut'an** (-ōūt-), n. Large long-armed arboreal anthropoid ape of Borneo & Sumatra. [Malay (-utan)=man of the woods]

orāte¹, v.i. (joc.). Make speech, hold forth, play the orator. [back form. f. foll.]

orā'tion, n. Formal address or harangue or discourse esp. of ceremonial kind; (Gram.) language, way of speaking (*direct*, *indirect* or *oblique*, ~, person's words as actually spoken, or with the changes of person, tense, etc., usual in reporting). [f. L *oratio* (orare speak, -ATION)]

ō'rator, n. Maker of a speech; eloquent public speaker; || *Public O~*, official at Oxford & Cambridge speaking for university on State occasions. Hence **ō'ratress**¹ n. [f. OF *orateur* f. L *oratore* (prec., -OR³)]

ōratō'rīō, n. (pl. ~s). Semi-dramatic musical composition usu. on sacred theme performed by soloists, chorus, & orchestra, without action, scenery, or costume. [It., orig. of musical services at oratory of St Philip Neri]

ō'ratorize, v.i. = ORATE. [-IZE]

ō'ratory¹, n. Small chapel, place for private worship; (O~) R.-C. religious society of simple priests without vows founded in Rome 1504 to give plain preaching & popular services, also any branch of this in England etc., whence **ōratō'rīan** a. & n. [f. L *oratorium* neut. of *oratorius* (orare pray, speak, -ORY)]

ō'ratory², n. (Art of making) speeches, rhetoric; highly coloured presentment of facts, eloquent or exaggerating language. Hence **ōratō'rīcal** a., **ōratō'rīcaly**¹ adv. [f. L *oratoria* (ars art) of speaking, fem. as prec.]

ōrb, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Circle, circular disk, ring, (now rare); sphere, globe; heavenly body; eyeball, eye, (poet.); globe surmounted by cross as part of regalia; organized or collective whole; hence ~LESS a. 2. vb. Enclose in, gather (t. & i.) into, ~. [f. L *orbis* ring]

ōrbic'ūlar, a. Circular, discoid, ring-shaped (~ar muscle, sphincter); spherical, globular, rounded, (fig.) forming complete whole. Hence or cogn. ~ā'rity n., ~arly² adv., ~ATE² a. (nat. hist.). [f. L *orbicularis* (orbiculus dim. as prec., -AR¹)]

ōrb'it, n. Eye-socket, whence ~o- comb. form; border round eye of bird or insect; curved course of planet, comet, satellite, etc.; (fig.) range, sphere of action. Hence ~AL a. [f. L *orbīta* track of wheel or moon (orbis ring)]

ōrc, **ōrc'a**, n. Kinds of cetacean; sea or other monster. [f. F *orque* f. L *orca* kind of whale]

Orcad'ian (ōr-), a. & n. (Native) of Orkney. [f. L *Orcae* Orkney Islands, -IAN]

ōrch'ard, n. Enclosure with fruit-trees; ~man, fruit-grower, also ~IST(3) n. [OE *ortegeard* prob. f. L *hortus* garden, YARD¹]

ōrchēs'tic (-k-), a. Of dancing. Hence ~ICS n. [f. Gk *orkhēstikos* (orkhēstēs dancer, see foll.)]

ōrchēstra (-k-), n. 1. Semicircular space in front of ancient-Greek theatre-stage where chorus danced & sang. 2. Part of modern theatre or concert-room assigned to band or chorus. 3. Body of instrumental performers, or combination of bowed, wood-wind, brass, & percussion instruments, in theatre or concert-room, whence **ōrchēs'tral** (-k-) a. [L, f. Gk *orkhēstra* (orkhēomai dance)]

ōrchēstrjāte (-k-), v.t. & i. Compose (t. & i.), arrange, or score, for orchestral performance. Hence ~A'TION n. [-ATE³]

ōrchestri'na (-kīstrē-), ***ōrchēs'trion** (-k-), nn. Elaborate kind of barrel-organ meant to give orchestra-like effect. [-INA¹]

ōrchid, **ōrchis**, (-k-), n. Member of large family of monocotyledonous herbs (-is is usu. of wild English kinds, -id of exotics or in bot. use), of which English kinds are terrestrial with tuberous root & erect fleshy stem with spike of usu. red or purple flowers, & many exotic kinds have flowers of fantastic shapes & brilliant colours. Hence **ōrchida'** (crous (-kīdāshus) a., **ōrchidist**(3) (-k-) n. [(-id made 1845 by Lindley, see -ID²) f. L f. Gk *orkhīs* testicle, orchis, (w. ref. to shape of tuber)] **ōrchido-** (-k-), comb. form of prec., as ~MAN'IA, ~LOGY (-ōlōj). [Irreg. for *orchio-* f. Gk as prec.]

ōrchil, n. Red or violet dye from lichen. [f. OF *orchel* etym. dub.]

ōrchit'is (-k-), n. Inflammation of the testicles. [f. Gk *orkhīs* testicle + -ITIS]

ōrcin, n. (chem.). Colourless crystalline

substance extracted from lichens & yielding various dyes when compounded. [*f. mod. L. orcina* (ORCHIL, -IN)]

ordain, *v.t.* (Eccl.) appoint ceremonially to Christian ministry, confer holy orders (esp. those of deacon or priest) on (*was ~ed priest, elder, etc., or abs.*); (of God, fate, etc.) destine, appoint, (*has ~ed the time, death as our lot, us mortal, us to die, that we should live*); appoint authoritatively, decree, enact, (*what the laws ~; ~ that —*). [*f. OF ordener* *f. L. ordinare* (ordo -inis order)]

ordain'ment, *n.* (rare). Decree(ing). [-MENT]

Ord'al' (or *Ord'el*), *n.* Ancient Teutonic mode of deciding suspected person's guilt or innocence by subjecting him to physical test such as plunging of hand in boiling water, safe endurance of which was taken as divine acquittal; experience that tests character or endurance, severe trial. [*com.-Teut.*; OE *ord'al*, -*el*, cf. Du. *oordeel*, G. *urteil*, judgement; *n. f. compd vb* (OHG *artailan*, OE *adēlan*, deal out)]

Order', *n.* (Main senses) 1. Rank, row, class. 2. Sequence, arrangement. 3. Mandate. 1. Tier (now rare; ~ *on ~ of sculptured figures*); social class or rank, separate & homogeneous set of persons, (esp. *the higher, lower, ~s; all ~s & degrees of men; the ~ of baronets; the clerical, military, ~*); kind, sort, (*talents of a high, considerations of quite another, ~*); any of the nine grades of angels (seraphim, cherubim, thrones, dominations, principalities, powers, virtues, archangels, angels); grade of Christian ministry (*holy ~s* in Anglican church, those of bishop, priest, & deacon, in R.-C., these & subdeacon; *minor ~s* in R.-C. Church, those of acolyte, exorcist, reader, & doorkeeper); (pl.) status of clergyman (*take ~s, be ordained; in ~s, ordained; often in these phrr., & always elsewhere, holy ~s*); fraternity of monks or friars, or formerly of knights, bound by common rule of life (*the Franciscan ~; the Teutonic ~; the ~ of Templars*); || company usu. instituted by sovereign to which distinguished persons are admitted by way of honour or reward (*~ of the Garter, the Bath, Merit, etc.*), insignia worn by members of this (*sent him, wears, the ~ of the Golden Fleece*); (Archit.) mode of treatment with established proportions between parts (esp. one of the five *classical ~s*, Tuscan, Doric, Ionic, Corinthian, & Composite, each of which is superior to the preceding in height, lightness, & decoration, of pillar & capital; Tuscan & Composite were Roman developments of the others, which were Greek); (Math.) degree of complexity (*line, equation, fluxion, of the first etc. ~*), (also ~ of magnitude) class in a system of classification, determined by size (*measurements of the ~ of one in a million*); (Nat.

Hist.) classification-group below CLASS¹ & above family (*natural ~* in bot., abbr. N.O., of plants allied in general structure, not merely agreeing in single characteristic as in Linnaean system). 2. Sequence, succession, manner of following, (*in alphabetical, chronological, etc., ~; out of ~, not systematically arranged; follow the ~ of events; inverts the natural ~; take them in ~, one after another according to some principle*); regular array, condition in which every part or unit is in its right place, tidiness, normal or healthy or efficient state, (*drew them up in ~; are scattered without any ~; love of ~; is in bad, out of, ~, not working rightly; is in ~ or good ~, fit for use*); || (arch.) suitable action, measures, (*take ~ to do; take ~ with, arrange, dispose of*); constitution of the world, way things normally happen, collective manifestations of natural forces or laws, natural or moral or spiritual system with definite tendencies, (esp. *the ~ of nature or things or the world; the old ~ changeth; whether there is a moral ~ or not*); stated form of divine service (*the ~ of confirmation*); principles of decorum & rules of procedure accepted by legislative assembly or public meeting, or enforced by its president (*Speaker called him to ~; O~! O~!*, protest against infringement of it; *rise to ~ or a point of ~, interrupt debate etc. with inquiry whether something being said or done is in or out of ~; ~ of the day, programme, business set down for treatment, whence, in gen. use, prevailing state of things, as industry, thunder, cricket, is the ~ of the day; || ~-paper, written or printed ~ of the day; || ~-book, in which motions to be submitted to the House of Commons must be entered*); prevalence of constituted authority, law-abiding state, absence of riot, turbulence, & violent crime, (often *law & ~; ~ was restored; keep ~, enforce it; close, open, ~* (Mil. etc.), formation with narrow, wide, spaces between men or ships; *marching, review, etc., ~* (Mil.), the regulation uniform & equipment carried by the soldier in marching, at review, etc. (cf. MARCH²ing ~s); (Mil.) the ~, position of company etc. with arms ordered (see foll.); *in ~ to do, with a view to, for the purpose of, doing; in ~ that, with the intention or to the end that*. 3. Mandate, injunction, authoritative direction or instruction, (often pl.; *gave ~s, an ~, the ~, for something to be done, that it should be done, etc.; is obedient to ~s; || O~ in Council, sovereign ~ on some administrative matter given by advice of Privy Council; by ~, according to direction of the proper authority; judge gave, made, refused, an or the ~*); (Banking etc.) instruction to pay money or deliver property signed by owner or responsible agent (*~ cheque,*

cheque to person's ~, one requiring payee's endorsement before being cashed; *postal, money* or pop. *post-office*, ~, kinds of Post-Office cheque for remitting money, the latter non-transferable); (Commerc.) direction to manufacturer, tradesman, etc., to supply something (*made to* ~, according to special directions, to suit individual measurements, etc., opp. *ready-made*; *grocer has sent for* ~s; *is on* ~, has been ordered but not yet supplied; *a large* ~, colloq., difficult job; ~*book*, in which tradesman enters ~s; ~*clerk*, with duty of entering ~s; ~*form*, skeleton ~ to be filled in by customer); pass admitting bearer gratis, cheap, or as privilege, to theatre, museum, private house, etc. [f. OF *ordre* f. L *ordinem* nom. -o]

Ord'er², v.t. Put in order, array, regulate, (arch.; ~*ed his troops*; ~ one's *affairs*; *has ~ed his life well*); (Mil.) ~ *arms*, stand rifles butt on ground & hold them close to right side; (of God, fate, etc.) ordain (so *we hoped, but it was otherwise ~ed*); command, bid, prescribe, (~ *a retreat*, thing to be done, person to do, *that person or thing should*; ~*ed him a mustard plaster*); command or direct (person etc.) to go to, *away, home*, etc. (*was ~ed to Egypt*; ~ *about*, send hither & thither, domineer over); direct tradesman, servant, etc., to supply (~ *dinner*, settle what it shall consist of). [f. prec.]

Ord'erly, a. & n. 1. Methodically arranged or inclined, regular, obedient to discipline, not unruly, well-behaved, whence ~*INESS* n.; (Mil.) of, charged with conveyance or execution of, orders || (~*y book*, regimental or company book for entry of orders; ~*y officer*, officer of the day; ~*y-room*, in barracks for company's business); || ~*y bin*, street box for refuse. 2. n. Soldier in attendance on officer to carry orders etc.; attendant in (esp. military) hospital. [-LY¹]

Ord'inal, a. & n. 1. (Number) defining thing's position in series (*first, twentieth*, etc., *are* ~s or ~ *numbers*; cf. CARDINAL). 2. Of a nat.-hist. order. 3. n. Service-book used at ordinations. [f. LL *ordinalis* (ORDER¹, -AL)]

Ord'inance, n. Authoritative direction, decree (SELF-denying ~); religious rite; (rare) collocation of parts in literary work or architecture. [f. OF *ordenance* (ORDAIN, -ANCE)]

Ord'inand, n. Candidate for ordination. [f. L *ordinandus* (*ordinare* ORDAIN)]

Ord'inary, a. & n. 1. Regular, normal, customary, usual, not exceptional, not above the usual, commonplace, (|| *in* ~ appended to *physician* etc., by permanent appointment, not temporary or extraordinary; *in an* ~ *way I should refuse*, if the circumstances were not exceptional; *something out of the* ~; ~ *seaman*, abbr.

O.S., lower rating than *able*; *in* ~, of ships laid up, not in commission), whence **Ord'inarily**² adv., **Ord'inariness** n. 2.

|| (Authority) having immediate or *ex officio* & not deputed jurisdiction (*the O*~, archbishop in province, bishop in diocese; *O*~ or *Lord O*~ in Scotland, one of five judges of Court of Session constituting Outer House). 3. Rule or book laying down order of divine service. 4. || Public meal provided at fixed time & price in inn etc. 5. (her.). Charge of earliest, simplest, & commonest kind (esp. chief, pale, bend, fess, bar, chevron, cross, saltire). 6. Early type of bicycle, with one large & one very small wheel (opp. *safety*). [f. L *ordinarius* (ORDER¹, -ARY¹)]

Ord'inate, n. (geom.). Any of series of parallel chords of conic section in relation to bisecting diameter (esp. used of half the chord, from curve to diameter); straight line from any point drawn parallel to one co-ordinate axis & meeting the other. [f. L (*linear*) *ordinate* (*applicata*) line applied parallel]

Ordina'tion, n. Arrangement in ranks, classification; conferring of holy orders, admission to church ministry; decreeing, ordainment. [f. L *ordinationem* (ORDAIN, -ATION)]

Ordinee, n. Newly ordained deacon. [ORDAIN, -ER]

Ord'nance, n. Mounted guns, cannon; || branch of public service dealing esp. with military stores & materials (*Royal Army O*~ *Corps*, formerly with wider powers *Board of O*~; || ~ *survey*, Government survey of Great Britain & Ireland; || ~ *datum*, mean sea level as defined for ~ survey). [var. of ORDINANCE]

Ord'ure (or -*dyer*), n. Excrement, dung; obscenity, foul language. [F (*ord* foul f. L HORRIDUS, -URE)]

Ore, n. Native mineral from which precious or useful metal may be profitably extracted; (poet.) metal, esp. gold. [prob. f. OE *ār* brass (cf. L *aes aeris*, Skr. *ayas* metal) with sense changed to that of (OE *ōra* unwrought metal (cf. Du. *oer*), which would itself have given a mod. *oor*, not *ore*]

ōr'ēad, n. (L & Gk Myth.). Mountain nymph. [f. L *oreas* -*ados* f. Gk *oreias* f. *oros* mountain, -AD(1)]

ōrēc'tic, a. (philos., med.). Of desire or appetite, appetitive. [f. Gk *orektikos* (*oregō* stretch out, -IO)]

ōr'ēide, n. Kind of brass resembling gold used in imitation jewellery. [f. F *oréide* (or f. L *aureum* gold)]

ōrfe, n. Kind of goldfish. [G & F, f. Gk *orphos* sea perch]

ōrg'an, n. 1. Musical instrument of pipes supplied with wind by bellows, sounded by keys, & distributed into sets or stops having special tone, which in turn form groups or partial ~s (*great, choir, swell*,

solo, pedal, ~) each with separate keyboard, whence ~IST(3) n.; =BARREL¹~ (~grinder, player of this); keyboard wind-instrument with metal reeds, harmonium; AMERICAN ~; *mouth ~*, child's toy reed-instrument. 2. Part of animal or vegetable body adapted for special vital function (~s of speech, perception, digestion, generation, etc.; NASAL ~). 3. Person's voice with reference to its quality or power (*has a magnificent ~*). 4. Medium of communication, mouthpiece of opinion, esp. newspaper or magazine or review representing a party, cause, sect, pursuit, etc. 5. ~-blower, person or mechanism working ~ bellows; ~-builder, of musical ~s; ~-loft, gallery in church or concert-room for ~; ~ piano, with mechanism giving sustained tones as in ~; ~-screen, ornamental screen often between choir & nave on which ~ is placed in cathedral etc.; ~-stop, set of pipes of similar tone in ~, handle of mechanism that brings it into action. Hence ~LESS a. [f. L f. Gk *organon* tool (erg- WORK)]

organdie, n. Kind of very fine translucent muslin. [f. F *organdi* etym. dub.]

orgān'ic, a. 1. (Physiol.) of the bodily organs, vital; (Path., of disease) affecting structure of an organ (opp. *functional*). 2. Having organs or organized physical structure, of animals or plants, (opp. *inorganic*). 3. (Chem., of compound substances) existing as constituent of organized bodies or formed from bodies so existing, containing carbon in its molecule (~ *chemistry*, that of carbon compounds). 4. Constitutional, inherent, fundamental, structural. 5. Organized or systematic or co-ordinated (~ *unity*; *an ~ whole*). Hence **orgān'ically** adv. [f. L f. Gk *organikos* (ORGAN, -IC)]

org'anism, n. Organized body with connected interdependent parts sharing common life, (material structure of) individual animal or plant; whole with interdependent parts compared to living being. [ORGANIZE, -ISM]

organiza'tion, n. In vbl senses of foll.; also, organized body or system or society. [f. med. L *organizatio* (foll., -ATION)]

org'anize, v.t. & i. Furnish with organs, make organic, make into living being or tissue, (usu. in p.p.), (intr.) become organic; form into an organic whole (with constituents or resulting whole as obj.); give orderly structure to, frame & put into working order, make arrangements for or get up (undertaking involving co-operation). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [f. med. L *organizare* (ORGAN, -IZE)]

org'anum, -anum, n. Instrument of thought, system of or treatise on logic. [Gk (-ON), & L (-um), see ORGAN; -on was title of Aristotle's logical writings, & ~~anum~~ (from) *organum* that of Bacon's]

org'anoth'rap'y, n. Treatment of disease with organic extracts. [f. Gk ORGANON + -THERAPY]

org'anzine (-ën), n. Silk thread in which the main twist is in contrary direction to that of the strands. [f. F *organsin* f. It. *organzino*]

org'asm, n. Violent excitement, rage, paroxysm; height of venereal excitement in coition. So **orgās'tic** a. [f. Gk *orgaō* swell, -sm as in SPASM, -ISM]

or'geāt (or -zhah), n. Cooling drink made from barley or almonds & orange-flower-water. [F (orgef. L *hordeum* barley, -ADE)]

orgiās'tic, a. Of the nature of an orgy [f. Gk *orgiastikos* (*orgiastēs* agent n. f. *orgiazō* celebrate ORGY)]

or'g'y, n. ((Gk & Rom. Ant.; usu. pl.) secret rites in worship of various gods, esp. in that of Bacchus celebrated with wild dancing, drinking, and slugging; drunken or licentious revel, (pl.) revelry or debauchery. [earlier pl. only, f. F *orgies* f. L f. Gk *orgia* pl.]

or'iel, n. Large windowed polygonal recess projecting usu. from upper storey & supported from ground or on corbels; (also ~ *window*) window of ~, projecting window of upper storey. [f. OF *oriel*, etym. dub.]

or'ient', n. & a. 1. The eastward part of sky or earth (poet.); the East or countries E. of Mediterranean & S. Europe; ~ pearl; peculiar lustre of pearl of best quality. 2. adj. Oriental (poet.); (of precious stones and pearls, of finest kinds, as coming anciently from the East) lustrous, sparkling, precious; (of sun, daylight, etc., or fig.) rising, nascent. [F, f. L *orientem* nom. -ens rising sun, east, (*oriri* rise, -ENT)]

ōriēnt', ō'riēntāte, (or ōr-), vv.t. & i. Place (building etc.) so as to face E., build (church) with chancel end due E., bury with feet eastward; place or exactly determine position of with regard to points of compass, settle or find bearings of, (fig.) bring into clearly understood relations (~ *oneself*, determine how one stands); (intr.) turn eastward or in specified direction. Hence **ōriēnta'tion** n. [f. F *orienter* (prec.)]

ōriēn'tal (or ōr-), a. & n. Easterly (arch.); (inhabitant) of the East or countries E. of Mediterranean & S. Europe, esp. Asiatic, occurring in or coming from or characteristic of the civilization etc. of the East, whence ~ISM(2, 4), ~IST(3), nn., ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t.; (of pearls etc.) orient; ~ *stitch*, close kind of herringbone stitch. Hence ~LY³ adv. [F, f. L *orientalis* (ORIENT¹, -AL)]

ō'rifice, n. Aperture, mouth of cavity, perforation, vent. [F, f. LL *orificium* (os *oris* mouth, -ficere=facere make)]

ō'riflamme, n. Sacred banner of St Denis, banderole of red silk on lance re-

ceived by early French kings from abbot of St Denis on starting for war; (fig.) anything material or ideal serving as rallying-point in struggle; bright conspicuous object, blaze of colour, etc. [F (*L aurum* gold, *flamma* flame)]

ô'rigan, **orig'anum**, *n.* Wild Marjoram, & kinds of allied plant. [*L* (-um), *f.* Gk *origanon*]

ô'rigîn, *n.* Derivation, beginning or rising from something, person's extraction, source, starting-point, (*a word of Latin, a man of humble*, ~). [*f.* F *origine f. L originem* nom. -go (*oriri* rise)]

ori'ginal, *a. & n.* 1. Existent from the first, primitive, innate, initial, earliest, (~ *sin*, innate depravity common to all human beings in consequence of the fall); that has served as pattern, of which copy or translation has been made, not derivative or dependent, first-hand, not imitative, novel in character or style, inventive, creative, thinking or acting for oneself, (*where is the ~ picture?; what does the ~ Greek say?; where whooping-cough is ~; is it an ~ drawing or a woodcut?; made a very ~ remark; has an ~ mind; ~ people do ~ things*); hence or cogn. **originâl'ity** *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* 2. *n.* Derivation, descent, *origu*, (rare); pattern, archetype, thing from which another is copied or translated, (*several transcripts from the same ~; reads Don Quixote in the ~*); eccentric person. [*F, f. L originalis* (prec., -AL)]

ori'ginâte, *v.t. & i.* Give origin to, initiate, cause to begin, whence ~ATIVE *a.*; have origin, take rise, (usu. from *orin* thing or place, with or from person). So ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR², *un.* [ORIGIN, -ATE³]

ôrinâs'al (-z), *a. & n.* Of, sounded with, both mouth & nose (esp. of French nasalized vowels); (*n.*) ~ vowel. [*L os oris* mouth, -r-, *L nasus* nose, -AL]

ôr'îole, *n.* (Also *Golden* ~) bird with black & yellow plumage visiting British Isles in summer; other old-world birds of same genus; kinds of bird of similarly coloured American genus. [*f. mod. L oriolus f. L aureolus* dim. of *aureus* golden (*aurum* gold)]

Or'i'on, *n.* (astron.). Brilliant constellation S. of zodiac, figured as hunter with belt & sword (~'s *belt*, three bright stars in short line across ~; ~'s *hound*, Sirius). [*L, f. Gk Ôriôn*]

Or'i'onid, *n.* (astron.). One of meteor-system with radiant point in Orion. [prec., Gk -is -îdos fem. patronymic]

ô'risôn (-z), *n.* (arch.). A prayer (usu. in pl.). [*F, f. L orationem* speech (*orare* speak, pray, -ATION, -SON)]

Orl'éans (ô-), *n.* Kind of plum; fabric of cotton warp & worsted weft. [name of French city]

ôrl'op, *n.* Lowest deck of ship with three or more decks. [*f. Du. overloup* covering (*overloopen* run over, see *OVER*, *LEAP*¹)]

ôrm'er, *n.* Edible univalve mollusc, the Sea-ear. [Channel-I. *F, f. F ormier* contr. of *oreille de mer* ear of sea]

ôrm'olu (-lô), *n.* Gilded bronze used in decorating furniture; gold-coloured alloy of copper, zinc, & tin; articles made of or decorated with these. [*f. F or moulu* ground gold (for use in gilding)]

ôrn'ament¹, *n.* (Eccl., usu. pl.) what is necessary for worship (e.g. altar, chalice, sacred vessels, service books); ~ *rubric*, that immediately before Order for Morning & Evening Prayer in prayer-book; thing used or serving to adorn, quality or person whose existence or presence confers grace or honour, (*mantel-piece crowded with ~s; the ~ of a quiet spirit; was an ~ to his country or age*); (pl., Mus.) grace notes; (sing. only) adorning, being adorned, embellishment, features or work added for decorative purposes, (*a lower rich in ~; by way of ~*). Hence ~AL *a.*, ~ALLY² *adv.*, ~ALIST³ (*3*), ~ALISM³ (*3*), *un.*, (all -ônt²). [*f. OF ornement f. L ornamentum* equipment (*ornare* equip, -MENT)]

ôrn'ament² (or -ônt'), *v.t.* Adorn, beautify. Hence ~A'TION *n.* [*f. prec.*]

ôrnâte, *a.* Elaborately adorned; (of literary style) embellished with flowers of rhetoric etc. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [*f. L ornatus* p.p. (prec.)]

ôrnith(o)-, *comb. form* of Gk *ornis* -ithos bird, in many scientific wds, as *orn'ithon*, approaching birds in structure (of some reptiles); ~ôL'ogy, ~ôLO'gical, ~ôL'ogist; *ornith'omancy*, ~*orhynch'us* (-ri-), Australian duck-billed platypus, an aquatic mammal with dark-brown fur, webbed feet, & duck's bill, & laying eggs; ~ôô-copy, augury.

ôrôg'raphy, **ôrêô-**, *n.* Branch of physical geography dealing with mountains; hence ÔROGRAPH'IC(AL) *aa.* So Ôr(ê)ôL'ogy *n.*, Ôr(ê)ôLO'gical *a.*, Ôr(ê)ôL'ogist *n.* [*Gk oros* -eos mountain, -GRAPHY]

ôrohipp'us, *n.* Fossil quadruped held to be ancestral form of horse. [*Gk oros* mountain, *hippos* horse]

ôr'oide, *n.* Gold-coloured alloy of copper & zinc. [*F* or gold *f. L aurum*, Gk *eidos* form]

ôr'otund, *a.* (Of utterance or phrasing) swelling, mouth-filling, imposing, dignified, pompous, magniloquent, pretentious. [*f. L ore rotundo* (Hor. *A.P.* 323) with round mouth]

ôrph'an, *n. & a.*, & *v.t.* 1. (Child) bereaved of parent(s); hence ~HOOD *n.*, ~IVE³ *v.t.* 2. *v.t.* Bereave of parent(s). [*f. LL f. Gk orphanos* bereaved]

ôrph'anage, *n.* Orphanhood; institution for orphans' education etc. [-AGE]

Orph'ic, **Orphê'an**, (ô-), *aa.* Of Orpheus or the mysteries or doctrines associated with his name, oracular, mysterious, (usu. -ic); like Orpheus's music, melodious,

entrancing, (usu. -ean). [f. Gk *Orphikos* (*Orpheus*, -ic)]

Orph'ey, **Orf'ray**, **n.** Ornamental often richly embroidered border of ecclesiastical vestment. [earlier sense *embroidery*, f. OF *orfrais* f. L *auriphrigum* gold embroidery (*aurum* gold, *Phrygus* Phrygian); -s dropped as though pl. sign, cf. *PEA*]

Orp'iment, **n.** A mineral, trisulphide of arsenic, used as yellow dye. [OF, f. L *auripigmentum* (*aurum* gold, *PIGMENT*)]

Orp'ine, **n.** Succulent herbaceous fleshy-leaved purple-flowered plant common in cottage gardens. [F (-n), prob. corrupt. of *prec.*, orig. of yellow-flowered species of same genus]

Orp'ington (Or-), **n.** A breed of poultry. [village in Kent]

Or'rery, **n.** Clockwork model of the planetary system. [named after Karl of O~ c. 1700]

Or'ris¹, **n.** Kind of iris, flower-de-luce, (now rare); ~*root*, fragrant root of three species of iris used in perfumery & medicine; ~*powder*, powdered ~*root*. [prob. corrupt. of *IRIS*]

Or'ris², **n.** Kinds of gold or silver lace or embroidery. [prob. cogn. w. ORPHREY]

Ors'on (Or-), **n.** Rough valiant person. [tale of *Valentine & ~*]

Ort, **n.** (dial. & arch.; usu. pl.). Refuse scrap(s), leavings. [15th-c. *ortys* pl., cf. Du. *oor-eate* remains of food (*oor*- not, *etan* eat)]

Orth(o)-, comb. form of Gk *orthos* straight, in many scientific wds w. senses *straight*, *rectangular*, *upright*, *right*, *correct*: ~*cephal'ic*, with breadth of skull from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ of length, between brachycephalic & dolichocephalic; ~*ochromat'ic*, giving correct relative intensity to colours in photography; *orth'oclase*, common feldspar in crystals with two cleavages at right angles; ~*o'epy*, science of correct pronunciation, whence ~*o'ep'ic*, ~*o'epist*(3); ~*ogén'es*, a view of evolution according to which variations follow a defined direction & are not merely sporadic & fortuitous; ~*og'nathous*, upright-jawed, not prognathous; ~*og'on*al, of or involving right angles; ~*op'terous*, of the insect order *Orthoptera* with straight narrow forewings including cockroaches, crickets, grasshoppers, etc.; ~*op'tic*, of straight or correct seeing, esp. used as n. or a. of opaque perforated eyeglass assisting aim in rifle-shooting; *orth'odone*, (word) having independent accent, not enclitic or proclitic.

Orth(odôx, **a.** Holding correct or the currently accepted opinions esp. on religious doctrine, not horetical or independent-minded or original; generally accepted as right or true esp. in theology, in harmony with what is authoritatively established, approved, conventional; the O~ Church,

the Eastern or Greek recognizing Patriarch of Constantinople as head & the national Churches of Russia, Rumania, etc., in communion with it. Hence ~*LV*² adv. [f. Gk *orthodoxos* f. *doxa* opinion)]

Orth'odôxý, **n.** Being orthodox. [f. Gk *orthodoxia* (prec., -y¹)]

Orthôg'raphý, **n.** 1. Correct or conventional spelling; spelling with reference to its correctness (*his ~ is shocking*). 2. Perspective projection used in maps & elevations in which the point of sight is supposed infinitely distant so that the rays are parallel, map etc. so projected. So **Orthograph'ic**(al)aa., **Orthograph'ically**² adv. [f. OF *ortografie* f. L f. Gk *orthographia* -GRAPHY]

Orth'opaedý, **n.** The curing of deformities in children or others, surgery directed to this. So **Orthopaed'ic** a. [f. F *orthopédie* f. Gk *paideia* rearing of children f. *paideuô* train f. *pais* child)]

Ort'olan, **n.** The garden bunting, small bird esteemed as table delicacy. [F, f. It. *ortolano* orig. gardener f. L *hortulanus* (*hortulus* dim. of *hortus* garden, -AN)]

-ory, **suffix** (1) of adj., originating in ONorm. F -*ori* nasc., -*orie* fem. & repr. (occas. thr. F -*oir*, -*oire*) L in -*orius*, -*oria*, -*orium* = agent termination ~*or*² added to p.p. stems + *-ius* adj. suff. As every L vb could form agent n. in -*or*, E has adj. in -*ory* corr. to L vbs even when L has neither adj. in -*orius* nor agent n. in -*or* (compuls~, dispensul~, illus~), or when the L vb is not itself represented in E (*amat*~, *perfunct*~). As alternatives to -*ory*, E often has -*orial* (~ + -AL), -*orious* (~ + -OUS). (2) of nn., chiefly f. L neut. adj. in -*orium* (*dormit*~, *fact*~, *laborat*~). In a few wds ~ is -Y¹ added to agent termination -*or*² (*rect*~, *orat*~). In some technical wds L -*orium* is preserved, as *auditorium*, *crematorium*, *sensorium*, (also -*ory*).

Or'ryx, **n.** (Genus of) large straight-horned African antelope. [L, f. Gk *oryx*]

Os'can (ô-), **a. & n.** (Of, in the language, allied to Latin, of the Osci, Opisci, or Opici, a primitive people of Campania. [L *Osci*, -AN]

Ôs'cillâte, **v.i. & t.** Swing (l., rarely t.) like pendulum, move to & fro between two points; vacillate, vary between extremes of opinion, action, condition, etc.; (Electr. of current) undergo high-frequency alternations as across spark-gap or in valve-transmitter circuit; (of wireless receivers) radiate electromagnetic waves owing to faulty operation. Hence or cogn. ~*A'TION*, ~*ATOR*²(1, 2), nn., ~*ATORY* a. [f. L *oscillare*, -ATE²]

oscitâ'tion (ôsî-), **n.** (rare). Yawning, inattention, negligence. [f. L *oscitatio* (*oscilare* gape f. *os* mouth, *cilare* move, -ATION)]

Ôs'cûlar, **a.** Of the mouth, of kissing

(joc.); (Math.) that osculates. [f. *L osculum* mouth, kiss, (*os* mouth, -*ULE*), -*AR*¹]

ôs'cûlâte, v.i. & t. 1. Kiss (i. & t., rare, usu. *joc.*). 2. (Nat. Hist., of species etc.) have contact through intermediate species etc., have common characters with another or with each other; (Math., of curve or surface) have contact of higher order with, coincide in three or more points. Hence or cogn. ~*ANT* a. (esp. nat. hist.), ~*A'TION* n., ~*ÂTORY* a. (esp. math.). [f. *L osculari* kiss (prec.), -*ATE*²]

-ose¹, suf. f. *L -osus* abounding in; chiefly in *adj.* of a technical kind, *adj.* in ordinary use having -*OUS*; but there are *bellicose*, *jocose*, *grandiose*, & a few others. Nn. are formed from them usu. in -*osity*, also in -*oseness*.

-ose², suf. in chem. wds formed on *glucose* (mod. F adoption of Gk *gleukos* must) giving names for the related carbohydrates *saccharose* & *cellulose* & isomeric substances, as *dextrose*, *lactulose*.

ô'sier (-*zher*), n. (Shoot of) species of willow used in basket-work; ~*BED*¹; (attrib.) of ~s. [F, cf. LL *ausaria*, *os*, willow-bed]

-ôsis, suf. forming nn. of process or condition on Gk & occas. *L* stems; names of diseases or pathological states (*amaur~*, *trichin~*); a few rhetorical terms (*mei~*); & some in gen. use (*metamorph~*, *apoth~*). [f. Gk -*ôsis* n. suf. usu. f. vbs in -*ôô*]

-ôstity, suf. See -*OSE*¹, -*OUS*.

Osman'li (ô-s-), a. & n. = *OTTOMAN*¹. [Turk., native wd for which *Ottoman* is the usu. E form]

ô's'mium (ô-s-, ôz-), n. A metal of the platinum group, the heaviest substance known. [f. Gk *osmê* smell, -*IUM*, named from pungent smell of volatile acid formed by it with oxygen]

ô's'môse, ôsmô's'is, (ô-s-, ôz-), n. (physics). (Tendency to) percolation & intermixture of fluids separated by porous septa. Hence ôsmô't'ic a., ôsmô't'ically adv. [Irreg. f. Gk *ôsmos* push (ôthêô push) + -*OSIS*]

ô's'mund (ôz-, ôs-), n. The flowering Fern; any fern of genus *Osmunda*. [f]

ô's'prey (-â-, -i), n. (pl. ~s). 1. Large bird preying on fish, the sea-eagle, fishing-eagle, or sea-hawk. 2. (Milliner's name for) egret-plume on hat or bonnet. [prob. f. *L ossifraga* (*os ossis* bone, *frangere* break) perh. the lammergeyer]

ô's's'eus, a. Consisting of bone, ossified; having bony skeleton (~ & cartilaginous fishes); abounding in fossil bones. [f. *L osseus* (*os ossis* bone) + -*OUS*]

ô's'icle, n. (anat.). Small bone, small piece of bony or chitinous or calcareous substance in animal framework. [f. *L ossiculum* (prec.), -*CULE*]

ô's's'ifrage, n. = *OSPREY*. [OSPREY]

ô's's'ify, v.i. & t. Turn (i. & t.) into bone,

harden, make or become rigid or callous or unprogressive. Hence ôssif'ic a., ôssif'ication n. [f. *os ossis* bone, -*IFY*]

ô's's'uary, n. Receptacle for bones of dead, charnel-house, bone-urn; cave in which ancient bones are found. [f. LL *ossu-arium* (irreg. f. *os* see prec., -*ARY*¹)]

ôstên'sible, a. Professed, for show, put forward to conceal the real, (*this ~le errand was to ~*). Hence ~*LY*² adv. [F (*L ostendere* -*ens*-, -*IBIL*)]

ôstên'sorý, n. Receptacle for displaying Host to congregation, monstrance. [f. med. *L ostensorium* as prec., + -*ORY*(2)]

ôstentâ'tion, n. Pretentious display esp. of wealth or luxury, showing off, attempt or intention to attract notice. Hence ~*IOUS* (-*shus*) a., ~*IOUSLY*² adv. [F, f. *L ostentationem* (*ostendere* frequent. of *ostendere* -*ent*- show, -*ATION*)]

ôstê(ô-), comb. form of Gk *osteon* bone in many med. & anat. terms, as ~*IT*'IS; ~*ogen*'esis, formation of bone; ~*og*'raphy, scientific description of the bones; ô's'te-oid a.; ~*ol*'ogy, anatomy dealing with bones, animal's bony structure; ~*oma*-lâ'cia, softening of bone by loss of earthy salts; ~*om*eli'tis, inflammation of the marrow of a bone; ~*op*'athy, manipulative surgery as a profession (legally recognized in Canada & U.S.), ô's'teopath, practitioner of it.

ô's'tler (-bl-), n. Stableman at Inn. [earlier *hostler* (HOSTEL-, -ER¹)]

ô's'tracize, v.t. 1. (Gk Ant.; at Athens) banish (dangerously powerful or unpopular citizen) for ten or five years by peculiar voting-system, name of person to be ~ized being written on potsherd. 2. Exclude from society, favour or common privileges, send to Coventry, etc. Hence ~*ISM*(1) n. [f. Gk *ostrakizô* (*ostrakon* potsherd)]

ô's'trêi-, ô's'trêo-, comb. forms of *L ostrea*, *ostreum*, & Gk *ostreon*, oyster, as ô's'treiculture, oyster-breeding; *ostreôph*'agous, eating oysters.

ô's'trich, n. Large swift-running African & Arabian bird with wing & tail feathers valued as ornaments, swallowing hard substances to assist working of gizzard, & reputed to bury its head in sand when pursued in the belief that it cannot be seen (*has the digestion of an ~*; ~*policy*, belief, etc., depending on self-delusion); ~*farm*, breeding ~es for feathers; ~*plume*, feather, or bunched feathers, of ~; ~*tip*, tip of ~-feather. [f. OF *ostruce* f. pop. *L avis struthio* (*avis* bird, LL f. Gk *strouthiôn* ostrich f. *strouthos* sparrow, ostrich)]

-ot¹, suf. = *F -ot*, orig. dim., but often not so now; *ballo*t, *chario*t, *parro*t.

-ot², -*ote*, suf. giving nativity in ancient Gk names, as *Epiro*t, & in mod. names from places near Greece, as *Cypri*ot; also in a few Gk derivatives of other meanings

(*idiot, helot, patriot, zealot*). [=F -ote f. L. -ota f. Gk -ōtēs]

o'ther (ādth-), a., n. or pron., & adv. 1. Not the same as one or more or some already mentioned or implied, separate in identity, distinct in kind, alternative or further or additional, *the* etc. only remaining, *every* second, different *than* or *from*, (for sing. use with *an*, see **ANOTHER**; *we have ~ evidence*; *~ people think otherwise*; *it must be decided by quite ~ considerations*; *have no ~ place to go to*; *~ things being equal*, if the conditions are or were, in everything but the point in question, *alike*, as *~ things being equal, I should prefer you to him*, but *he is rich & you are poor*; *a few ~ examples would be useful*; *give me some ~ ones*; *now open the, your, ~ eye*; *happens every ~ day*, on alternate days, as often as not; *any person ~ than yourself*; *do not wish him, them, ~ than he is, they are*; *a world far ~ from ours*; *on the ~ hand*, used to introduce fact or argument making against or contrasted with previous one; *the ~ day* adv., a few days ago; *some time or ~ adv.*, one day etc.; *someone or ~*, a person unknown; *some idiots or ~ have been shouting all night*; *it was none ~ than Jones*, = no ~ one or person; *the ~ world*, future life, ~ world, concerned with or thinking of this only, whence **~worldly** (-wɜ:l-) a., **~worldliness** n.; often ellipt. with numerals, as *another, the ~ two*, i.e. person or persons, thing or things, of kind not needing specification); *~ guess* a. [corrupt. of *~gates* adv. (GATE³, -ES) in another way], of very different kind (arch. & colloq.); *~ whence*, from elsewhere; *~ where(s)*, elsewhere (poet.); *~ while(s)*, at ~ times. 2. n. or pron. (orig. elliptic use of adj., & often indistinguishable from this in sing., but now distinguished in pl. by -s, cf. *the ~ six, the six ~s*). ~ person, thing, specimen, etc. (*give me another, some ~s*; *do good to ~s*; *if this soap is, these candles are, too soft, have you any ~, ~s?*; *one or ~ of us will be there*; *let ~s talk, I act*; *I can do no ~*, arch., nothing else; *you are the man of all ~s for the work*; *one neutralizes the ~*; *they neutralize each ~ or one another*; *in ~s of his sermons*). 3. adv. Otherwise (*~ than cursorily*). [Aryan; OE *other*, cf. Du. & G *ander*, Skr. *ántaras*, L *alter*; see **THER**]

o'therness (ādth-), n. (rare). Being other, diversity, difference; thing or existence that is not the thing mentioned or the thinking subject. [-NESS]

o'therwise (ādth'erwiz), adv. In a different way (*could not have acted ~*; *Judas, ~ called*, or *~, Iscariot*; occas. preceded by *any*, *no*, with reminiscence of its etym., as *could do it no ~, does not influence him any ~ than by example*); if circumstances are or were different, else, or (*seize the chance, ~ you will regret it*); in other

respects (*he is unruly, but not ~ blame-worthy*; also qualifying the adj. sense in n., as *his ~ dullness*); in different state (*how can it be ~ than fatal?*; *should not wish it ~*); & ~, or ~, ungrammatical substitute for & or followed by the negation or opposite of a noun or adj. or by *other* (the merits or ~ of the Bill, i.e. or *demerits* usu. omissible; *additions automatic & ~*, i.e. & *other*); *~minded*, having different, or jarring, inclinations or views, averse to current opinions. [OE *on oðre wisan* (OTHER, WISE²)]

-ōtic, suf. forming adj. corr. to n. in -osis, in sense affected with or producing or resembling -osis, *so neur~, hypn~, narc~*; *Quix~, ex~, er~*, are not exx. [f. Gk -ōtikos f. nn. in -ōtēs formed on same stems as -osis]

otiose (ōshīōs', also ō'), a. At leisure, lazy, unoccupied, (rare): sterile, futile, (rare); not required, serving no practical purpose, functionless. Hence **~ly**² adv., **~ness** n. [f. L *otiosus* (otium leisure, -ōse¹)]

o'tium cām dignitāt'ē (ōshī-), n. Dignified ease. [L]

ōt(o)-, comb. form of Gk *ous ōtos* ear, as *ōtol'ogy*, science of ear diseases, *anatomy*, etc.; *ō'oscope*, instrument for examining cavity of ear, or for auscultation of sounds in it.

otta'ra ri'ma (-tah-, rō-), n. Stanza of eight lines, 11-syllabled in Italian, 10-syllabled in English, with rhymes as abababce (as in Byron's *Don Juan*). [It.]

ōtt'er, n. Furred aquatic fish-eating mammal with fin-like legs, webbed feet, & long flattened tail; its fur; kinds of fishing-tackle (also as name for the paravane when used on non-naval craft); *~dog*, *~hound*, breed used in *~hunting*; *~spear*, used in *~hunting*. [com. Teut.; OE *otr*, cf. Du. & G *otter*, also Skr. *udras*; cogn. w. Gk *hudōr* water, & w. **WATER**]

ōtt'ō, n. ~ of roses. = **ATTAR**. [f. *attar*]

Ott'oman¹ (ō-), a. & n. 1. Of the dynasty of Othman I, his branch of the Turks, or the empire ruled by his descendants, Turkish. 2. n. (pl. ~s). ~ person, Turk. [F, f. Arab. name of *Othman* (pronounced in Turk. *osman*, whence **OSMANLI**)]

ōtt'oman², n. Cushioned seat like sofa or chair without back or arms, often a box with cushioned top. [f. prec. (cf. **DIVAN**)]

ou'bit (ō-), n. = **WOBBUT**.

oubliette' (ō-), n. Secret dungeon with entrance only by trapdoor. [F (*oublier* forget)]

ouch, n. (arch.). Clasp or buckle often jewelled; setting of precious stone. [f. OF *nouche* (cf. **ADDER**) f. LL *nusca* f. OHG *nuscha* prob. f. Celt.]

ought¹ (awt), n. (vulg.). Figure denoting nothing, nought. [perh. f. *an ought* for a *nought*, cf. **ADDER**]

ought² (awt), v. anx. (the only form in

use, except arch. *~est* or *~st*, is *~* serving as present or past finite) expressing duty, rightness, shortcoming, advisability, or strong probability; the past sense (except when merely due to sequence of tenses in reporting etc.) is indicated by a following perf. infin. Exx.: *we ~ to love our neighbours; it ~ not to be allowed; you ~ to know better; you ~ to go to Pinafore; Eclipse ~ to win; it ~ to be done at once; have been done long ago; I told you it ~ to be, have been, done; I said it, & still think I ~ to have said it.* [OE *dhte* past of *agan* owe; the mod. uses represent the imperf. subj. = would owe]

ought³, var. of **AUGHT**.

ouiJa (wɛ'jah, -yah). n. (Also *~board*) board lettered with alphabet & other signs, used with movable pointer to obtain messages in spiritualistic séances. [f. F *oui* and G *ja* = yes]

ounce¹, n. (abbr. *oz*). Unit of weight, 1/12 lb. in Troy weight, 1/16 lb. in avoirdupois (also fig., as an *~* of practice etc. is worth a pound of theory etc.). [f. OF *unce* f. L *uncia* twelfth of pound or foot (cf. INCH¹)]

ounce², n. (Poet. etc.) lynx or other vaguely identified medium-sized feline beast; (Zool.) the mountain panther or snow leopard smaller than leopard but marked like it. [f. OF *once*, cf. It. *lonza*, f. L *lyncea* (LYNX); for *once* f. l'once by mistake for *lonce* cf. **ADDER**]

our (owr), a. Of or belonging to us (see **we**), that we are concerned with or speaking or thinking of, (*is in ~ midst; acting on ~ behalf; have done ~ share; Our Father*, the creator of us men; *Our Saviour, Lady*, of us Christians, Christ, the Virgin; *given under Our seal*, of Us the king or queen, emperor or empress; *a worthless book in ~ opinion*, of us the present spokesman of a newspaper etc.). [com.-Teut.; OE *ūre* orig. genit. pl. of first pers. pron. = of us, afterwards inflected as adj.; cf. G *unser*, OSax. *ūser*]

-our, suf. in colour etc.; see -OR¹.

ours (owrz), pron. & pred. a. 1. The one(s) belonging to us (*~ is a large family; I like ~ better; let me give you one of ~; look at this garden of ~, this our garden*); || our regiment or corps (*Jones of ~*). 2. pred. adj. Belonging to us (*became ~ by purchase*). [OUR, -rs; double possessive for the emphatic abs. use]

oursél (owr-), pron. (pl. *~ves*, which is the usu. form, the sing. being used similarly when *We* represents a sovereign, & alternatively with the pl. when *we* represents a newspaper writer or the average man). 1. (emphat.; usu. pl.). We or us in person, in particular, in our normal condition, & not others, or alone, (usu. in apposition with *we*, & either next after it or later, rarely substituted for it; usu. substituted for *us*, rarely after it in

apposition; *we ~ves will see to it; we will see to it ~ves; ~ves are first to be thought of; it was good for the others, if not for ~ves; let us do it ~ves; we were not ~ves for some time; what touches us ~ shall be last served: can we imagine a world in which ~ does not exist?*) 2. (refl.; usu. pl., always in objective case). The person(s) previously described as *we* (*we shall only harm, do harm to, ~ves; we cannot persuade ~f or ~ves that the Government is in earnest; we shall give ~ves the pleasure of calling*). [OUR, SELF]

-ous, suf. forming adj.; f. L *-osus*, cf. -OSR¹, abounding in, thr. OF *-os*, -us, & OE *-us*, written after 1300 *-ous* (ōūs) & gradually weakened in sound to *is*: familiarized in L & F wds f. OF, *-ous* has now become the established anglicizer for many L adj., esp. in *-eus*, *-ius*, *-er*, *-ax*, *-actis*, *-ox*, *-oris*, *-endus*, *-ulus*, & *-vorus* (*igne*~, *dubi*~, *adulter*~, *capaci*~, *feroci*~, *tremend*~, *bibul*~, *herbivor*~); *righte*~, *courte*~, *gorge*~, are by false anal. (Chem. of acids etc.) with larger proportion of the element indicated by the stem than those in *-ic* (*chlor* ~ acid). Nn. f. adj. in *~* have usu. *-ousness*, sometimes *-osity* (*curiosity*), cf. -OSE¹.

ousel. See **OUZEL**.

oust, v.t. Put out of possession, eject, deprive of, expel from, drive out, force oneself or be put into the place of. Hence **ous'ter** n. (legal). [f. OF *oster* (now *oter*) take away, etym. dub.]

out, adv., prep., n., a., int., & v.t. (for spec. uses of the adv. in comb. with vbs see the vbs). 1. adv. Away from or not in or at a place, the right or normal state, the fashion, etc., (*is ~, not at home; keep him ~; go ~ for a walk; has her Sundays ~; arm is ~, dislocated; Tories are ~, not in office; her son is ~ in Canada; anchored some way ~; on the voyage ~; batsman is ~, no longer in possession of wicket; all ~, side's innings over; ~, not ~, umpire's decision against, for, batsman in answer to claim of opponents; miners are ~, not at work, on strike; candle, fire, is ~, not burning; crinolines are ~, not in fashion; was ~ in my calculations, incorrect; ~ with, no longer on friendly terms with; also as interj., ~ with him etc., turn him ~); in(to) the open, publicity, existence, notice, hearing, sight, clearness, etc. (*book, rose, chicken, secret, girl, is ~, published, open, hatched, revealed, introduced to society; is the best game ~; tell him right ~; the eruption is ~ all over him; ~ for, ~ to do, colloq., engaged in seeking, as is ~ for kudos, to capture the market; all ~, sl., showing one's utmost pace or effort; ~ at ELBOW'S; ~ & about, able to leave bed or house & appear; also ellipt. for come ~, as murder will ~); to or at an end, completely, (*she had her cry ~; tired ~; before the week is ~; ~ & away, by far;***

~ & ~, thorough, -ly, surpassing, -ly, whence **out-&-out'ER**¹ n. sl.); ~ of compd prep., from within, not within, from among, beyond range of, (so as to be) without, from, owing to, by use of (material), at specified distance from (town etc.), beyond, transgressing rules of, (come ~ of *he house*; *happened ~ of England*; ~ of *doors*, in or into the open air, so ~ of *door* as adj.; *must choose ~ of these*; is ~ of *sight*; *was swindled ~ of his money*; is ~ of *breath*, his mind, work, brown sugar, etc.; *get money ~ of him*; a *filly got by Persimmon ~ of Lutetia*; *asked ~ of curiosity*; *what did you make it ~ of?*; *is seven miles ~ of Liverpool*; ~ of *wedlock*, without marriage; *times ~ of number*, beyond counting; ~ of *doubt*, undoubtedly; is ~ of *drawing*, incorrectly drawn; ~ of *it*, not included, forlorn, at a loss, wrongly informed or mistaken; ~ of *DATE*², CHARACTER¹, HAND¹, one's own HEAD¹, KEEPING, TEMPER, the WOOD, SORTS, the WAY). 2. prep. = ~ of (only now in from ~, as from ~ the *dungeon* came a groan). 3. n. The ~s, the party ~ of office; the IN's & ~s. 4. adj. An ~ *match*, played away from home ground; ~ *size*, beyond the ordinary; ~ *size* n. & a., (of) exceptionally large size (in garments etc.). 5. int. (arch.). Expr. abhorrence, reproach, etc. (*Out upon you!*). 6. v.t. (sl. or colloq.). Eject forcibly; (Boxing) knock ~. [com.-Teut.; OE *ūt*, cf. Du. *uit*, G. *aus*]

out-, pref. = prec. prefixed adverbially or adjectivally or prepositionally to vbs or nn.

1. To any vb, making equivalent of same vb followed by *out*; chiefly in poet. & rhet. use. So ~ *blaze*¹, ~ *branch*¹, ~ *speak*¹, ~ *spread*¹.

2. Vbs that are followed in other parts by *out* often form partit. & gerunds with prefixed *out*; the meaning is often a specialized one. So ~ *cast* a. & n., (person) cast out from home & friends, homeless & friendless (vagabond); || ~ *clearing* n., sending out of bills & cheques to Clearing-house for settlement; ~ *fighting*, boxing at arm's length, opp. *infighting*; ~ *lying* a., situated far from a centre, remote; ~ *mod'd* a., out of fashion; ~ *spoken* (or -*okt*) a., frank, given to plain speaking, whence ~ *spok'enly*² adv., ~ *spok'enness* n.; ~ *spread*¹; ~ *standing* a., prominent, still unsettled; ~ *stretched*; ~ *worn*¹, worn out (poet.), (fig.) out of date, obsolete, exhausted.

3. Nn. are formed f. vbs that can be followed by *out*, either with the simple vb form or with a derivative n.; the meaning, which is often specialized, may be:—

a. the verbal action or its occurrence. So ~ *break*, a breaking out of emotion esp. anger, hostilities, disease, volcanic energy, etc., ~ *crop*, an insurrection;

~ *burst*, explosion of feeling esp. expressed by vehement words, volcanic eruption, ~ *crop*; ~ *crop*, emergence of stratum, vein, or rock, at surface (also b.); ~ *cry* (also c.); ~ *flow*; ~ *going* (also b.); ~ *look* (also c.); ~ *rush* (also b.); ~ *sight*, perception of external things (only as antithesis to *insight*); ~ *thrust*, outward pressure of some part in architecture.

b. that which does the action. So ~ *come*, issue, result; ~ *crop* (also a.); ~ *fit*, complete equipment material or mental, (colloq.) group of persons regarded as a unit, gang, (v.t.; -tt-) provide (person) with; ~ *fuller*, supplier of equipment; ~ *flow* (also a.); ~ *go*, ~ *goings* (also a. in sing.), expenditure, ~ *lay*; ~ *growth*, offshoot, natural product; ~ *lier*, ~ *lying* part or member, (Geol.) minor part of formation separated from main body by denudation; ~ *pour*; ~ *rush* (also a.).

c. that which is made or done by or suffers the action. So ~ *cry* (also a.), clamour, uproar; ~ *lay*, what one spends, expenses; ~ *look*, what one sees on looking out, view, prospect, esp. fig. of what seems likely to happen; ~ *pouring*, effusion, verbal or literary expression of emotion; ~ *put*, ~ *turn*, amount produced by manufacture, mining, labour, etc.; ~ *throw*, amount ejected.

d. the place or time of occurrence. So ~ *fall*, ~ *let* of river etc.; ~ *let*, means of exit or escape, vent, way out; ~ *set*, start, commencement, (usu. *at* or *from the* ~ *set*).

4. *out-* is prefixed w. adj. force to nn., meaning:—

a. external. So ~ *back* a. & n. (Austral.), (of) the more remote settlements; OUTLINE, OUTSIDE.

b. connected but separate, subordinate & detached, not at the centre, some way off. So ~ *building*, ~ *house*; ~ *field*, ~ *lying* land of farm, ~ *lying* region of thought etc., (Cricket) part remote from wickets; ~ *house*, house or building or shed belonging to & near or built against main house; ~ *land'ish* a. [f. obs. ~ *land* foreign countries], foreign looking or sounding, unfamiliar, bizarre, uncouth; ~ *patient*, ~ *pensioner*, receiving aid from institution etc. without being lodged in it; ~ *post*, detachment on guard at some distance from army to prevent surprise; || ~ *relief*, ~ *door relief* (5); ~ *rider*, mounted attendant riding before, behind, or with carriage, also commercial traveller; OUTRIGGER; ~ *runner*, running attendant on carriage, horse in traces outside shafts, dog acting as guide to sledge-team; ~ *sen'ry*, man stationed as ~ *post*; ~ *skirts*, outer border, fringe, of city, district, etc., or subject; ~ *station*, at distance from headquarters; || ~ *voter*,

non-resident parliamentary elector; *~work*, advanced or detached part of fortification, also work done outside shop or house; *~worker*, one who does *~work*.

5. *out-* is prefixed to & governs nn. with the force of *out of*, forming adj. or adv. f. which vbs or nn. may be secondary formations. So *~board* a. & adv., (Naut.) on or towards or nearer than something else to ship's outside, (of a motor-boat) having the engine & driving apparatus attached outside the boat; *~caste* a. & n., (person) having lost or been expelled from his or not belonging to a caste; *~caste'* v.t., expel from caste; || *~college* a., not residing in or not belonging to a or the college; *~door* a., done or existing or used *~doors* || (*~door* relief, given to person not resident in workhouse or institution; *~door* agitation etc., conducted outside Parliament); *~doors'* adv., in the open air; *~law* n. & v.t. [OE *útlaga* n. f. *útlag* a. outlawed], person deprived of the protection of the law, banished or exiled person, (vb) proscribe, declare *~law*, whence *~lawry*, condition of or condemnation as *~law*.

6. *out-* with general sense of excess is prefixed

a. to simple vbs capable of taking the same object, adding the idea of more than, or successfully, doing the action. So *~balance*, weigh down; *~brave'*, defy; *~face'*, look out of countenance; *~fight'*; *~hector'*; *~last'* (will not *~last* six months; also b.); *~match'*; *~measures'*; *~rivet'*; *~scold'*; *~trump'*, at cards.

b. to any vb, or n. such as *general* used for the nonce as vb, enabling it to take as obj. a person or thing that the subj. surpasses or defeats by doing the action more, better, or longer. So *~act'*, *~argue*, *~bell'*; *~bid'*, bid higher than at auction, promise more than, surpass in exaggeration or anecdote; *~blaze'*, *~brag'*, *~dance'*, *~dare'*; *~do'*, surpass; *~eat'*; *~fight'*, fight better than (also a.); *~fly'*; *~general*, defeat by superior generalship; *~go'*, go faster than, (fig.) surpass; *~grow'*, grow faster or get taller than (also c.); *~hector'*, be more formidable at hectoring than (also a.); *~jockey'*, overreach; *~juggle'*; *~jump'*; *~labour'*; *~last'*, last longer than (another; also a.); *~live'* (also c.); *~manoeuvre*, *~march'*, *~paint'*, *~preach'*, *~reach'*, *~reason'*, *~ride'*, *~row'* (-b); *~run'* (*run* the constable; also c.); *~sail'*; *~scold'* (also a.); *~shine'* lit. & fig.; *~shoot'*; *~sing'*; *~sit'*, stay longer than (other guests); *~spar'*, *~spend'*, *~stare'*; *~stay'* (also c.); *~stink'*, *~swim'*, *~talk'*, *~think'*, *~thunder'*, *~toil'*, *~trade'*, *~travel'*; *~vie'*, surpass in competition; *~vole'*, *~walk'*; *~watch'*, keep awake longer than (also c.); *~weep'*; *~weigh'*, exceed in weight, value, importance, or influence; *~work'*; *~yell'*.

c. to vb, enabling it to take as obj.

something in the nature of a limit or amount that is exceeded. So *~grow'*, get too big for (clothes), get rid of (childish habit or ailment or taste) with advancing age, (also b.); *~live'*, live beyond (a century, the ordinary span, etc.), come safely through (accident etc.), get over effect of (disrepute etc.), (also b.); *~ride'*, (of ship) keep afloat through (storm; also b.); *~run'*, pass the limit of (his imagination *~runs* the facts; also b.); *~stay'* (*never~stay* your welcome; also b.); *~step'*, pass limit of (*~steps* the truth); *~watch'*, keep awake beyond the end of (the night etc.; also b.); *~wear'*, pass away (time) by endurance.

d. to n., forming vb expressing that subj. surpasses obj. in this respect. So *~class'*, belong to higher class than; *~distance'*, get far ahead of; *~flank'*, have flank overlapping that of (enemy); *~number'*; *~pace'*, go faster than; *~range'*, (of gun or its user) have longer range than; *~speed'*; *~value'*; *~voice'*, speak louder or more effectively or persuasively than; *~wit'*, prove too clever for, overreach, take in.

e. to name of person noted for some quality, forming vb (w. the name usu. repeated as obj.) indicating that subj. surpasses even him in it. So *~he'* *rod Herod*, *~Zola'* *Zola*, be more blustering, realistic, than Herod or Zola.

out' back, a. & n., see *out-4* a; **outbal'** *ance* v.t., *OUT-6* a; **outbid'** v.t. (-dd), *OUT-6* b; **out'** board a. & adv., *OUT-5*; **outbrave'** v.t., *OUT-6* a; **out'** break n., *OUT-3* a; **out'** building n., *OUT-4* b; **out'** burst n., *OUT-3* a; **out'** cast a. & n., *OUT-2*; **out'** caste a. & n., *outcaste'* v.t., *OUT-5*; **outclass'** v.t., *OUT-6* d; || **out'** clearing n., *OUT-2*; || **out'** college a., *OUT-5*; **out'** come n., *OUT-3* b; **out'** crop n., *OUT-3* a b; **out'** cry n., *OUT-3* a c; **outdis'** *tance* v.t., *OUT-6* d; **outdo'** v.t., *OUT-6* b; **out'** door a., **outdoors'** adv., *OUT-5*.

out'er, a. & n. 1. Farther from centre or inside, relatively far out, external, of the outside; objective, physical, not subjective or psychical; *the ~ man*, personal appearance, dress; *the ~ world*, people outside one's own circle; hence *~most* a. 2. n. Circle of rifle-target farthest from the bull's-eye, hit on this. [14th-c. formation substituted for & differentiated f. *UTTER* as compar. of *OUT*]

outface' v.t., see *OUT-6* a; **out'** fall n., *OUT-3* d; **out'** field n., *OUT-4* b; **out'** fighting, *OUT-2*; **out'** fit, **out'** fitter, nn., *OUT-3* b; **outflank'** v.t., *OUT-6* d; **out'** flow n., *OUT-3* a; **outgen'** *eral* v.t., *OUT-6* b; **outgo** n., *OUT-3* b, vb, *OUT-6* b; **out'** going(s) n., *OUT-3* a b; **outgrow'** v.t., *OUT-6* b c; **out'** growth n., *OUT-3* b; **out-he'** *rod* v.t., *OUT-6* e; **out'** house n., *OUT-4* b.

out'ing, *n.* Pleasure-trip, holiday away from home. [*f. obs. out vb put or go out, -ING¹*]

out'jack'ey, *v.t.*, see **OUT-6 b**; **outland'ish** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**; **outlast' v.t.**, **OUT-6 a b**; **out'law** *n. & v.t.*, **out'lawry** *n.*, **OUT-5**; **out'lay** *n.*, **OUT-3 c**; **out'let** *n.*, **OUT-3 d**; **out'lier** *n.*, **OUT-3 b**.

out'line, *n. & v.t.* 1. (Sing. or pl.) lines enclosing the apparently plane figure presented by any object to sight, contour, external boundary; sketch containing only contour lines & no shading (*in* ~, so sketched); rough draught, verbal description of essential parts only, summary, (pl.) main features, general principles. 2. *v.t.* Draw or describe in ~; mark ~ of in decorating etc. [**OUT-4 a**]

outlive', *v.t.*, see **OUT-6 b c**; **out'look** *n.*, **OUT-3 c**; **out'lying** *a.*, **OUT-2**; **outmanoeuv're** *v.t.*, **OUT-6 b**; **outmarch' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b**; **outmatch' v.t.**, **OUT-6 a**; **outmod'ed** *a.*, **OUT-2**.

out'most, *a.* = **OUTERMOST**.

out'ness, *n.* Externality, objectivity. [**-NESS**]

outnum'ber, *v.t.*, see **OUT-6 d**; **outpace' v.t.**, **OUT-6 d**; **out'patient** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**; **out'post** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**; **out'pouring** *n.*, **OUT-3 c**; **out'put** *n.*, **OUT-3 c**.

out'rage, *n.* (-ij), & *v.t.* (-āj). 1. Forceible violation of others' rights, sentiments, etc. (*never safe from* ~); deed of violence, gross or wanton offence or indignity (*an* ~ *upon decency, justice*, etc.). 2. *v.t.* Do violence to, subject to ~, injure, insult, violate, ravish; infringe (law, morality, etc.) flagrantly. [*f. OF outrage (L ultra beyond, -AGE)*]

outrā'geous (-jus), *a.* Immoderate, extravagant, extraordinary; violent, furious; grossly cruel, humoral, offensive, or abusive. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [*f. OF outrageus* (prec., -OUS)]

outrange', *v.t.* See **OUT-6 d**.

outré (ōt'rā), *a.* Outside the bounds of propriety, eccentric, outraging decorum. [*F*]

| **out'relief**, *n.*, see **OUT-4 b**; **outride' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b c**; **out'rider** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**.

out'rigged (-gd), *a.* (Of boat etc.) having outriggers. [*f. OUT-, rig, -ER¹, after foll.*]

out'rigger (-g-), *n.* Beam, spar, framework, rigged out & projecting from or over ship's side for various purposes; similar projecting beam etc. in building; extension of splinter-bar enabling extra horse to be harnessed outside shafts, such horse; iron bracket bearing rowlock attached horizontally to boat's side to increase leverage of oar, boat with these. [**OUT-, rig, -ER¹**]

outright' (-rit), *adv. & a.* 1. Altogether, entirely, once for all, not by degrees or instalments or half & half, (*kill, buy, ~*);

without reservation, openly. 2. *adj.* Downright, direct, thorough, whence ~NESS (-rit-) *n.* [**OUT, RIGHT**]

outriv'al, *v.t.* (-il-), see **OUT-6 a**; **outrun'** *v.t.*, **OUT-6 b c**; **out'runner** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**; **out'set** *n.*, **OUT-3 d**; **outshine' v.t.** **OUT-6 b**.

outside', *n., adj., adv., & prep.* 1. External surface, outer parts, (*knous only the ~s of books; ride on the ~ of an omnibus*); external appearance, outward aspect; all that is without, *the world as distinguished from the thinking subject, (impressions from the ~)*; position without (*open the door from ~*); highest computation (*there were a hundred, it is a mile, at the ~*); (pl.) outer sheets of ream of paper; || ~ passenger on coach etc.; ~ *in*, = **INSIDE out**. 2. *adj.* Of, on, nearer, the ~, outer, (~ *edge in skating, progression on outer edge of one skate; ~ seat, nearer the end; ~ work, done off the premises; || ~ porter, conveying luggage from station*); not belonging to some circle or institution (~ *opinion, esp. of people not in Parliament; ~ broker, not member of Stock Exchange*); greatest existent or possible or probable (*quote the ~ prices*). 3. *adv.* On or to the ~, the open air, open sea, etc., not within or enclosed or included, (*come ~, out from room or house, esp. as challenge to fight; is black ~ & in; ~ of, = ~ prep.; ~ of a horse, sl., mounted; get ~ of, sl., eat or drink; ~ of his own family no one will speak to him*). 4. *prep.* External to, not included in, beyond the limits of, not in, to the ~ of, at or to the exterior of, (*natural forces are ~ morality; cannot go ~ the evidence*). [**OUT-4 a, SIDE¹**]

outsid'er, *n.* Non-member of some circle, party, profession, etc., uninitiated person, layman; person without special knowledge, breeding, etc., or not fit to mix with good society; competitor not known to have a chance in race or competition. [**-ER¹**]

out'sight, *n.*, see **OUT-3 a**; **outsit' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b**; **out'skirts** *n. pl.*, **OUT-4 b**.

out'span, *v.i. & t.* (-nn-), & *n.* (S. Afr.). 1. Unyoke, unharness. 2. *n.* Act, time, or place of ~ing. [*f. Du. uitspannen* (**OUT, SPAN**)]

out'spok'en, *a.*, see **OUT-2**; **out'spread** *a.*, **OUT-2**; **out'standing** *a.*, **OUT-2**; **outstay' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b c**; **outstep' v.t.**, **OUT-6 c**; **out'stretched** *a.*, **OUT-2**.

outstrip', *v.t.* (-pp-). Pass in running etc.; surpass in competition or relative progress or ability. [**OUT-6 b, STRIP in obs. sense run fast**]

out-thrust, *n.*, see **OUT-3 a**; **out'turn** *n.*, **OUT-3 c**; **outval'ue** *v.t.*, **OUT-6 d**; **outvie' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b**; **outvoice' v.t.**, **OUT-6 d**; **outvote' v.t.**, **OUT-6 b**; **out'voter** *n.*, **OUT-4 b**.

out'ward, a., adv., & n. 1. Outer (arch.); directed towards the outside; bodily, external, material, visible, apparent, superficial, (*the ~ eye*, opp. *mind's eye*; ~ *form*, appearance; ~ *man* in Theol., body, opp. *soul*, also joc. = clothing etc.; to ~ *seeming*, apparently; ~ *things*, the world around us); hence ~LY² adv. 2. adv. = OUTWARDS (~bound, of ship or passenger, going away from home). 3. n. ~ appearance; (pl.) ~ things, externals. [OE *ūtweard* (OUT, -WARD)]

out'wardness, n. External existence, objectivity; interest or belief in outward things, objective-mindedness. [-NESS]

out'wards (-z), adv. In an outward direction, towards what is outside. [-WARDS]

outwatch', v.t., see OUT-6 b c; **outwear'** v.t., OUT-6 c; **outweigh'** v.t., OUT-6 b; **outwit'** v.t. (-tt-), OUT-6 d.

|| **out'with** (-dh), prep. (Sc.). Outside of. [f. OUT adv. + WITH]

out'work, n., see OUT-4 b; **outwork'** v.t., OUT-6 b; **out'worker** n., OUT-4 b; **out'worn'** a., OUT-2.

ouzel, -sel, (ō'zəl), n. Kinds of small bird (*Ring, Water, Brook, ~*). [OE *ōsle*, cf. G *amsel*]

ova. See OVUM.

ōv'al, a. & n. 1. Egg-shaped or ellipsoidal; having the outline of an egg or elliptical; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Closed curve with one axis considerably longer than the other, like ellipse or outline of egg; thing with ~ outline; || *the O~*, the Surrey County cricket ground, Kennington O~ in S. London. [OVUM, -AL]

ōv'ar'y, n. Either of two reproductive organs in which ova are produced in female animals, whence *ōvār'ōt'omy*, *ōvarit'is*, nn.; lower part of pistil, consisting of one or more carpels, seed-vessel, germen. Hence *ōvār'ian* a., *ōvārio*-comb. form. [OVUM, -ARY¹]

ōv'āte, a. (nat. hist.). Egg-shaped as solid or in outline, oval. Hence *ōvāt'o*-comb. form. [f. L *ovatus* (OVUM, -ATE²)]

ōvāt'ion, n. (Rom. Ant.) lesser triumph; enthusiastic reception, spontaneous applause. [f. L *ovatio* (*ovare* exult, -ATION)]

ō'ven (ū-), n. Brick or stone or iron receptacle for baking bread or other food in (*Dutch ~*, metal box of which open side is turned towards ordinary fire); small furnace or kiln used in chemistry, metallurgy, etc.; ~ *bird*, kinds making domed or ~-shaped nests. [com.-Teut.; OE *ofn*, cf. Du. *oven*, G *ofen*, Gk *ipnos*]

ōv'er, adv., n., a., & prep., *ō'er* (ōr), adv. & prep. (poet.). 1. Outward & downward from brink or from erect position (*lean, fall, jump, knock*, etc., ~). 2. So as to cover or touch whole surface (*brush, paint, it ~*). 3. With motion above something, so as to pass across something, (*climb, look, boil, ~*). 4. So as to produce

fold or reverse position, upside down, (*bend it ~*; *turn ~*, turn other side of leaf up; *turn him ~ on his face*; *roll ~ & ~*, so that same point comes uppermost repeatedly); (Cricket, as umpire's direction) change ends for bowling etc. 5. Across a street or other space or distance (*take this ~ to the post-office*; *asked him ~, to come as visitor from some place not far off*; *is ~ in, am going ~ to, America*; ~ *against*, in opposite situation to, in contrast with). 6. With transference or change from one hand, party, etc., to another (*malcontents went ~ to the enemy*; *handed ~ the seals*; *made ~ the balance to a charity*; *GIVE! ~*). 7. Too, in excess, in addition, besides, more, apart, (~ *curious* etc., more than is right, see OVER; *not ~ well* etc., rather badly etc.; *shall have something ~*; *20 lb. & ~*; *that can stand ~*, not be dealt with now; ~ *& above*, moreover, into the bargain). 8. From beginning to end, with repetition, with detailed consideration, (*read, count, ~*; *did it six times ~, ~ & ~, ~ again, ~ & ~ again*; *talk, think, the matter ~*). 9. At an end, done with, settled, (*the struggle is ~*). 10. All ~, in characteristic attitude, behaviour, etc. (*that is Jones all ~*, that is what one would expect of Jones). 11. n. (cricket). Number of balls (orig. 4 or 5, later 6 or 8) allowed between two calls of ~ (sense 4); the play that results; MAIDEN ~. 12. adj. Upper, outer, superior, excessive, (usu. written as one word with n., see OVER-). 13. prep. Above, on, at all or various points upon, to & fro upon, all through, round about, concerning, engaged with, (*an umbrella ~ his head*; *projects ~ the street*; *doubt hangs ~ the question*; ~ *our heads*, beyond our comprehension, also without consulting us; HAND¹ ~ *hand*; *writing ~ the signature X.*; ~ *head & ears*, completely immersed lit. & fig.; ~ *shoes ~ boots*, no half measures; *with his hat ~ his eyes*; *draw a veil ~ it*; *a change came ~ him*; *blush spread ~ his face*; *rice is grown all ~ India*; *you may travel ~ Europe or Europe ~*; *all the world ~*, in all countries etc.; *went ~ his notes*; *sitting ~ the fire*, a cheerful glass, etc.; *pause ~ the details*; *laugh ~ the absurdity of it*; *go to sleep ~ one's work*; *all ~ (sl.)*, infatuated with (a person); ~ *all*, from end to end (in attrib. use ~ *all*; *an ~ all length of 200 ft*); see also OVERALL. 14. With or so as to get or give superiority to, beyond, more than, (*is king, reigns, has jurisdiction, ~ twenty millions*; *was victor, won the victory, was victorious, ~*; *set him ~ the rest*; *has no command ~ herself*; *give me the preference ~ him*; *cost ~ £50*; ~ *& above*, besides, not to mention). 15. Out & down from, down from edge of, so as to clear, across, on or to the other side of, throughout, through duration of, till end of, (*fell ~ the*

edge, precipice; stumble ~, be tripped up by; jumped ~ the brook; ~ the bags or top, of troops emerging from trench to attack; looking ~ the hedge; spoke ~ her shoulder; coursing ~ the plain; a pass ~ the company's line; the house ~ the way, opposite; the King ~ the water, Jacobite phr. for exiled king; if we can tide ~ the next month; payments spread ~ a series of years; will not live ~ today; can you stay ~ Wednesday? [Aryan; OE *ofer*, cf. Du. *over*, G *über*, *ober*, Gk *huper*, Skr. *upari*; cogn. w. ABOVE, & having compar. termin.]

Öv'er-, pref. = *proc.* Unless otherwise shown stress is on first part of compound.

1. Used as *adj.* in agreement with second part of compound, = upper, outer, of higher kind, upside down, extra. to or in higher position. So *~arm* a. & *adv.*, = *~hand*; *~coat*, worn outside another; *~dress*, outer part of gown made to resemble one dress worn over & showing parts of another of different colour etc.; *~fault* (Geol.), reverse fault with inclination towards upthrow side; *~fold* (Geol.), fold of strata so complete that middle part is upside down; *~hand* a. & *adv.*, with hand above object held, with hand above shoulder (*~hand bowling; bowls ~hand*), out of water (*~hand stroke* in swimming), etc.; *~lord*, supreme lord, suzerain, whence *~lord'ship* n.: *~man* (Philos.), also *superman*, the ideal man, beyond good & evil, or superior to moral restrictions, of Nietzsche's philosophy; *~plus*, surplus, superabundance; *~shoe*, of rubber or felt worn outside another; *~sleeve*, for pulling on over sleeve to protect it; *~soul*, God as animating the universe & including all human souls; *~thrust* (Geol.), thrust of strata on one side over those of other side of fault; *~time*, during which workman works beyond regular hours; *~tone* n. (Mus.), upper PARTIALS; *~weight*, preponderance, excessive weight.

2. As *prep.* governing second component & making with it n., a., or *adv.* So *~all* n., woman's loose work-garment, (pl.) outer trousers or leggings or combination suit for dirty work, || (Mil., pl.) officer's full-dress tight trousers; *~board* *adv.*, from within ship into water (usu. *fall, throw, ~board; throw ~board*, fig., abandon, discard); *~door* n., ornamental woodwork above door; *~front* n., armflap of Inverness cape etc.; *~ground* a., raised above ground, not underground; *~head' adv.*, on high, in the sky. In the storey above; *~head* a., placed ~head (esp. *~head wires; ~head charges* etc., *Commerc.*, those due to office expenses, management, interest on capital, & other general needs of a business); *~house* a., (of wires) supported on housetops instead of poles; *~knee* a., reaching above knee; *~land' adv.*, by land & not sea; *~land* a., entirely

or partly by land (esp. of route by Mediterranean to India, or from Atlantic to Pacific across continent); *~leaf' adv.*, on other side of leaf (of book); *~mantel* n., ornamental shelves etc. over mantelpiece; *~night' adv.*, on the preceding evening with a view to, or as regarded from, the next day; *~night* a., done etc. *~night; ~proof* a., containing more alcohol than proof spirit; *~sea(s)' adv.*, *~sea(s)* a., across or beyond sea; *~side' adv.*, *~side* a., (of loading & unloading ship) over the side into or out of lighters; *~time' adv.*, beyond regular hours of work; *~weight* a., beyond weight allowed (esp. *~weight luggage*).

3. As *prep.* prefixed to vbs, but itself governing case independently, often with specialized sense; also in abs. uses of, or in derivatives from, such vbs. So *~brim' v.t. & i.* (*water ~brimmed the cup*; also said of the vessel); *~come' v.t. & i.*, prevail over, master, get the better of, be victorious, (p.p.) exhausted, made helpless, deprived of self-possession, (*with or by* emotion etc.); *~come with liquor, drunk*; *~crow' v.t.*, exult or triumph over (rival), outswagger; *~flow* n., what ~flows or is superfluous (*~flow meeting*, of those who have not found room at a demonstration etc. & meet elsewhere); *~flow' v.t. & i.*, flow over (brim etc.), flood (surface), (fig., of crowd etc.) extend beyond limits of (room etc.), (of receptacle etc.) be so full that contents ~flow, (of kindness, harvest, etc.) be very abundant, whence *~flowing* ¹ a. & n. (esp. *full to ~flowing*), *~flow'ingly* ² *adv.*; *~grow' v.t.* (of creeping plants); *~growth* n., plants that have grown over anything, (fig.) accretion; *~hang' v.t. & i.* (*~hung*), jut out over, jut out, (fig.) impend over, impend; so *~hang* n., fact or amount of ~hanging; *~lap' v.t.*, partly cover, cover & extend beyond, (reciprocally of pl. subj.) partly coincide (*the great difficulty in classification is the ~lapping of species*); *~lap* n., fact or process of ~lapping, ~lapping part; *~leap' v.t.*, leap over, surmount, omit, ignore; *~lie' v.t.*, lie on top of, smother (child) thus; *~look' v.t.*, have prospect of or over from above, be higher than, fail to observe, take no notice of, condone, superintend, ~see, bewitch with the evil eye; *~pass' v.t. & i.*, pass over, across, beyond, etc., get to the end of, surmount, surpass; *~ride' v.t.*, ride over (enemy's country) with armed force, trample (person) under one's horse's hoofs, (fig.) trample under foot, set aside, refuse to comply with, have or claim superior authority to, (Surg., of fractured bone) *~lap; ~run' v.t.*, flood, harry & spoil (enemy's country), (of vermin, weeds, etc.) swarm or spread over, exceed (limit); *~sail'ing*, (of masonry course etc.) projecting beyond the one below; *~see' v.*

look at from above (rare), superintend or look after (workmen, execution of work, etc.), whence *~seer* (-sēr) n. (|| *~seer* of the poor, parish officer charged with poor-relief & other duties); *~shoot* v.t., send missile, go, beyond (mark etc. lit. & fig.); *~shoot the mark*, also *~shoot oneself*, go too far, exaggerate, do something; *~shot wheel*, turned by water flowing above it); *~sight* n., supervision (rare), omission to notice, mistake of inadvertence; *~spread* v.t., become diffused over, cover or occupy surface of; *~slep* v.t., pass beyond (boundary lit. or fig.).

4. As adverb in local senses (*above*, *by way of cover*, *down from above* or *from erectness*, *past*, *beyond*, *in addition*) modifying vb or derived n. without itself governing object. So *~arch* v.t. & i.; *~bal'ance* v.i. & t., lose balance & fall, cause to do this; *~bear* v.t., bear down or upset by weight or force, put down or repress by power or authority, surpass in importance etc., outweigh; *~bear'ing* a., domineering, masterful, whence *~bear'ingly* adv., *~bear'ingness* n.; *~blown* p.p., (of storm etc.) pushed; *~can'opy* v.t.; *~cloud* v.t.; *~crust* v.t.; *~fall* n., turbulent stretch of sea etc. caused by set of tide or current over submarine ledge or meeting of currents, *~flow* opening to keep water of lock or canal up or down to required level; *~film* v.t.; *~gild* v.t.; *~haul* v.t., pull to pieces for purposes of examining, examine condition of, (esp. Naut.) catch up, come up with; *~haul* n., thorough examination, esp. with a view to repairs; *~hear* v.t., hear as an eavesdropper or as an unperceived or unintended listener; *~lay* v.t., cover surface of with coating etc., (incorrectly) *~lie*; *~lay* n., thing laid over something, coverlet, small tablecloth, etc.; *~passed*, *~past*, a., gone by, past; *~sew* v.t., sew (two edges) with every stitch passing in same direction through both, the inter-stitch parts of thread lying across & outside unfitted edge; *~shad'ow* v.t., shelter from sun, protect from attack (rare), cast into the shade, diminish conspicuousness of by outshining; *~spill* n., what is spilt, surplus population etc.; *~spread* v.t., cover with (chiefly pass.; *heaven was ~spread with clouds*); *~strung* a., (of piano) with strings in sets crossing each other obliquely; *~take* v.t., come up with, catch up, (person etc. who has start, or arrears of work), (of storm, misfortune, etc.) come suddenly upon (*~taken in drink*, drunk); *~throw* v.t., upset, knock down, cast out from power, vanquish, subvert, put an end to (institution etc.); *~throw* n., defeat, subversion, (Cricket) fielder's return not stopped near wicket & so allowing further run(s); *~turn* v.t. & i., upset, (cause to) fall down or over, *~throw*, subvert, abolish;

~turn n., upsetting, revolution; *~whelm* v.t., bury beneath superincumbent mass, submerge utterly, crush, bring to sudden ruin, overpower with emotion etc., deluge with inquiries etc.; *~whel'ming* a., irresistible by numbers, amount, etc., whence *~whel'mingly* adv.

5. As adv. with trans. vb, adding sense of effectually, completely, into submission. So *~wae* v.t.; *~cloy* v.t.; *~joyed* p.p., transported with joy (af); *~mas'ter* v.t.; *~persuade* v.t., persuade in spite of reluctance.

6. As adv. or adj. prefixed to vb, adj., adv., or n., adding notion of excess over the desirable, the truth, or a definite limit. So *~abound* v.i.; *~abun'dant* a.; *~abun'dantly* adv.; *~abun'dance* n.; *~act* v.t. & i., act (part, emotion, etc.), act part, with exaggeration; *~ac'tive* a.; *~act'ivity* n.; *~an'e'ious* a.; *~an'e'iously* adv.; *~an'ri'ty* n.; *~bid* v.t. (Bridge), make a higher bid than (one's partner), bid more on (one's hand) than it is worth, so *~bid* n.; *~blow* v.t. (Mus.), blow (pipe etc.) with such force as to produce harmonic instead of fundamental note; *~blown* a., (of flowers) too fully open, past prime; *~bold* a.; *~bur'd'en* v.t., & n.; *~bur'd'ensome* a.; *~bu'sy* a., too much occupied, officious; *~buy* v.i., buy more than enough to meet demand; *~call* v.t. (Bridge), = *~bid*; *~call* n.; *~cap'italize* v.t., fix or estimate capital of (company etc.) too high; *~rare* n.; *~rare'ful* a.; *~cau'tion* n.; *~cau'tious* a.; *~cau'tiously* adv.; *~charge* v.t., put too much explosive or electricity or the like into, put exaggerated details or too much detail into (description, picture, etc.), charge too high a price for (thing) or to (person), charge (specified sum) beyond right price; *~charge* n., excessive charge (of explosive, or in money, see prec.); *~col'our* v.t., exaggerate (details of description etc.); *~con'fident* a.; *~con'fidently* adv.; *~con'fidence* n.; *~cred'ulous* a.; *~credul'ity* n.; *~crop* v.t., exhaust (land) by continuous cropping; *~crowd* v.t.; *~cunn'ing* n., cunning that *~reaches* itself; *~cur'ious* a., too inquisitive, too careful or precise or fastidious; *~cur'iously* adv.; *~cur'ious'ly* n.; *~del'icacy* n.; *~del'icate* a.; *~devel'op* v.t. (photog.); *~do* v.t., carry to excess, go too far in, cook too much (esp. in p.p.), overtax strength of (esp. in p.p.); *~dose* v.t.; *~dose* n.; *~draft* n., drawing of bank account, amount by which draft exceeds balance; *~draw* v.t. & i., draw cheque in excess of (one's account) or in excess of one's account, exaggerate in describing; *~dress* v.t. & i.; *~drive* v.t., drive (horse etc.), work (person), to exhaustion; *~eag'er* a.; *~eag'erly* adv.; *~eag'erness* n.; *~earn'est* a.; *~es'tim'ate* v.t., put value or amount of too high;

~*es'timate* (-at) n.; ~*excite* v.t.; ~*exer'tion* n.; ~*expose* v.t., ~*expo'sure* n., (photog.); ~*fatigue* v.t., & n.; ~*flash* v.t., fish (stream etc.) to depletion; ~*fond* a.; ~*go'vern* v.t., subject to needless restrictions & regulations; ~*go'vernment* n.; ~*growth* n., growth too great for health etc.; ~*haste* n.; ~*has'ty* a.; ~*has'tily* adv.; ~*heat* v.t.; ~*housed* (-zd) a., living in too large a house; ~*indulge* v.t. & i.; ~*indul'gence* n.; ~*iss'ue* v.t., issue (notes, shares, etc.) beyond authorized amount or ability to pay; ~*iss'ue* n., things or amount so issued; ~*lab'our* v.t., elaborate to excess; ~*lad'en* a.; ~*large* a.; ~*load* v.t.; ~*load* n.; ~*long* a.; ~*ma'ny* a.; ~*mas'ted* a., with too tall or heavy masts; ~*mea'sure* n., amount beyond the due or sufficient; ~*mod'est* a.; ~*much* a., n., & adv. (be not righteous ~much); ~*nice* a., too fastidious; ~*nic'e'ness*, ~*ni'cel'y*, nu.; ~*pay* v.t., recompense (person, service) too highly; ~*peo'pled* a., stocked with people; ~*pitch* v.t., bowl (cricket ball) so that it pitches too near wicket; ~*pop'u-lated* a., too thickly populated; ~*popu-la'tion* n., ~populated condition; ~*pot* v.t., plant in too large a pot; ~*praise* v.t., & n.; ~*pre'ssure* n., pressing or being pressed too hard, esp. ~work; ~*print* v.t. (photog.), also, print additional matter on (an already printed surface, esp. of postage stamps); ~*produce* v.t. & i., produce too much of (commodity, or usu. abs.) for the demand; ~*produc'tion* n.; ~*pun'ish* v.t.; ~*rate* v.t., have too high an opinion of, assess too high for rating purposes; ~*read* v.t., do too much reading; ~*refine* v.t., make too subtle distinctions; ~*ride* v.t., exhaust (horse) by riding; ~*ripe* a.; ~*scrup'ulous* a.; ~*sell* v.t. & i., sell more of (commodity, stock, or abs.) than one can deliver; ~*sen'sitive* a.; ~*sen'sitiveness* n.; ~*sol'i'citous* a.; ~*sol'i'citude* n.; ~*state* v.t., state too strongly, exaggerate; ~*state'ment* n.; ~*stock* v.t.; ~*stock* n.; ~*strain* v.t., damage by exertion, make too much of (scruples etc.; esp. in p.p.); ~*strain* n., ~straining or being ~strained; ~*strung* a., (of person, his nerves, etc.) intensely strained or wound up; ~*stud'y* v.t., & n.; ~*su'ble* a.; ~*supply* n.; ~*swoll'en* a.; ~*task* v.t., give or be too heavy a task to or for; ~*tax* v.t., make excessive demand on (person's strength etc.), burden with excessive taxes; ~*tire* v.t.; ~*toll* n.; ~*tone* v.t. (photog.); ~*train* v.t. & i., subject to or undergo too much athletic training, with injury to condition; ~*use* v.t.; ~*use* n.; ~*val'ue* v.t.; ~*ween'ing* a., arrogant, presumptuous, conceited, self-confident; ~*weight'ed* a., unduly loaded with; ~*wind* v.t., wind (watch etc.) beyond proper stopping-point; ~

work v.t. & i., (cause to) work too hard, weary or exhaust with work; ~*work* n., excessive work; ~*wrought* a., ~excited, suffering reaction from excitement, too elaborate; ~*zeal* n.; ~*zeal'ous* a.; ~*zeal'ously* adv.

7. Prefixed to vb & enabling it to take self as obj., or be used in p.p., with sense *damage oneself by doing action to excess*; many of these compounds can also be used abs. in same sense. So ~*drink*, ~*eat*, ~*feed* (also trans.), ~*grow* (in p.p., that has ~grown himself etc.); ~*jump* oneself, strain sinew etc. in jumping; ~*preach*; ~*reach* oneself, strain oneself by reaching too far, (of horse) injure forefoot by striking it with hind-hoof; ~*run*; ~*sleep* oneself, miss intended hour of rising by sleeping too long; ~*smoke*; ~*spend* (oneself or abs.), spend money beyond one's means; ~*toiled* p.p.; ~*walk*; ~*watched* p.p., exhausted by keeping awake; ~*write* oneself, damage one's style by writing too much.

8. Prefixed to vb or deriv., or adj., with added sense of *more than*. So ~*bal'ance* v.t., outweigh lit. & fig.; ~*balance* n., (amount of) excess; ~*due* a.; ~*fill* v.t.; ~*full* a.; ~*match* v.t., be too strong etc. for, defeat; ~*match* n.; ~*poise* v.t., outweigh; ~*subscribe* v.t., subscribe more than amount of (loan etc.; usu. in p.p.).

9. As prefix making trans. vb out of intr. vb, or vb not taking same obj., or n., usu. with sense of *exceeding*. So ~*build*, built too closely on (land); ~*cast*, cover (sky etc.) with clouds or darkness (usu. p.p.), stitch over (edge) to prevent unravelling, esp. with blanket or button-hole stitch; ~*live*, live beyond (other person, specified age, etc.); ~*pow'er*, reduce to submission, subdue, master, make (thing) ineffective or imperceptible by greater intensity, (of heat, emotion, etc.) be too intense for, ~*whelm*; ~*pow'ering* a., irresistible; ~*pow'er'ingly* adv.; ~*reach*, circumvent, outwit, get the better of by cunning or artifice; ~*rent*, charge too high a rent for (land etc.) or to (farmer etc.); ~*rule*, set aside (decision, argument, proposed course) by superior authority, annul decision or reject proposal of (person); ~*stay*, stay beyond (one's welcome etc.); ~*top*, be or become higher than; ~*trump*, play higher trump than.

overact, v.t. & i., see OVER-6; **overall** n., OVER-2; **overarch** v.t. & i., OVER-4; **overarm** a. & adv., OVER-1; **overawe** v.t., OVER-5; **overbalance** v.t. & i., & n., OVER-4, 8; **overbear** v.t., **overbearing** a., OVER-4; **overbid** v.t., & n., **overblow** v.t., OVER-6; **overblown** a., OVER-4, 6; **overboard** adv., OVER-2; **overbrim** v.t. & i., OVER-3; **overbuild** v.t., OVER-9; **overburden** v.t., **overbusy** a., **overbuy** v.t., **overcall** v.t., & n., OVER-6; **over-**

canopy v.t., OVER-4; over-capitalize v.t., overcare n., OVER-6; overcast v.t., OVER-9; over-caution n., overcharge v.t., & n., OVER-6; overcloud v.t., OVER-4; overcloy v.t., OVER-5; overcoat n., OVER-1; over-colour v.t., OVER-6; over-come v.t., OVER-3; over-confidence n., over-credulity n., overcrop v.t., OVER-6; overcrown v.t., OVER-3; overcrowd v.t., OVER-6; overcrust v.t., OVER-4; overcunning n., over-curious a., over-delicacy n., over-develop v.t., overdo v.t., OVER-6; overdoor n., OVER-2; overdose v.t. & n., overdraft n., overdraw v.t. & i., OVER-6; overdress n. OVER-1, v.i. OVER-6; overdrink v. refl. & i., OVER-7; overdrive v.t., OVER-6; overdue a., OVER-8; overeat v. refl. & i., OVER-7; over-estimate v.t., & n., over-expose v.t., over-exposure n., OVER-6; overfall n., OVER-4; over-fatigue v.t., & n., OVER-6; overfault n., OVER-1; overfeed v.t. & i., OVER-7; overfill v.t., OVER-8; overfilm v.t., OVER-4; overfish v.t., OVER-6; overflow v.t. & i., & n., overflowing n. & a., OVER-3; overfold n., OVER-1; overfront n., OVER-2; overfull a., OVER-8; overgild v.t., OVER-4; over-govern v.t., over-government n., OVER-6; overground a., OVER-2; overgrow v.t. OVER-3, v. refl. & i. OVER-7; overgrowth n., OVER-3, 6; overhand adv. & n., OVER-1; overhang v.t. & i., & n., OVER-3; overhaul v.t., & n., OVER-4; overhead adv. & a., OVER-2; overhear v.t., OVER-4; overhouse a., OVER-2; overhoused a., over-indulgence n., over-issue v.t., & n., OVER-6; overjoyed a., OVER-5; overjump v. refl., OVER-7; overknee a., OVER-2; overlabor v.t., overladen a., OVER-6; overland adv. & a., OVER-2; overlap v.t. & i., & n., OVER-3; overlay v.t., & n., OVER-4; overleaf adv., OVER-2; overleap v.t., overlies v.t., OVER-3; overlive v.t., OVER-9; overload v.t., & n., OVER-6; overlook v.t., OVER-3; overlord, overlordship, overman, nn., OVER-1; overmantel n., OVER-2; over-many, overmasted, aa., OVER-6; overmaster v.t., OVER-5; overmatch v.t., & n., OVER-8; over-measure n., overmuch a., adv., & n., over-nice a., over-niceness, over-nicety, nn., OVER-6; overnight adv. & a., OVER-2; overpass v.t., OVER-3; overpassed, -past, a., OVER-4; overpay v.t., overpeopled a., OVER-6; over-persuade v.t., OVER-5; overpitch v.t., OVER-6; overplus n., OVER-1; overpoise v.t., OVER-8; overpopulation n., overpot v.t., OVER-6; overpower v.t., overpowering a., OVER-9; overpraise v.t., & n., OVER-6; overpreach v. refl. & i., OVER-7; overpressure n., overprint v.t., over-produce v.t. & i., over-production n., OVER-6; overproof a., OVER-2; overrate v.t., OVER-6; overreach v. refl. & i. OVER-7,

v.t. OVER-9; over-read v.i., over-refine v.i., OVER-6; over-rent v.t., OVER-9; override v.t., OVER-3, 6; override a., OVER-6; overrule v.t., OVER-9; overrun v.t., OVER-3, 7; oversailing a., OVER-3; oversea a. & adv., overseas a. & adv., OVER-2; oversee v.t., overseer n., OVER-3; oversell v.i. & t., OVER-6; oversew v.t., OVER-4; overshadow v.t., OVER-4; overshoe n., OVER-1; overshoot v.t., overshot a., OVER-3; overside adv. & a., OVER-2; oversight n., OVER-3.

|| *ōv'erslaugh* (-aw), n. (mil.). Passing over of one's turn of duty in consideration of another duty that takes precedence of it. [f. Du. *overslag* (*overslaan* omit f. OVER, *slaan* strike)]

oversleep, v. refl. & i., see OVER-7; oversleeve n., OVER-1; oversmoke v. refl. & i., OVER-7; oversoul n., OVER-1; overspend v. refl. & i., OVER-7; overspill n., OVER-4; overspread v.t., OVER-3, 4; overstate v.t., overstatement n., OVER-6; overstay v.t., OVER-9; overstep v.t., OVER-3; overstock v.t., & n., overstrain v.t., & n., OVER-6; overstrung n., OVER-4, 6; overstudy v.t., & n., OVER-6; oversubscribe v.t., OVER-8; over-supply n., overswollen a., OVER-6.

ōv'ert, a. (Openly done, unconcealed, patent: *market* ~, open displaying of goods for sale to all comers. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF, p.p. of *ovrir*, now *overrir*, open, f. L *aperire*])

overtake, v.t., see OVER-4; overtask v.t., overtax v.t., OVER-6; overthrow v.t., & n., OVER-4; overthrust n., OVER-1; overtime adv. OVER-2, n. OVER-1; overtime v.t., OVER-6; overtoil n., OVER-6; overtoiled a., OVER-7; overtone v.t., OVER-6; overtone n. OVER-1; overtop v.t., OVER-9; overtrain v.t. & i., OVER-6; overtrump v.t., OVER-9.

ōv'erture, n. Opening of negotiations with another, formal proposal or offer, (usu. pl., esp. *make ~s to*); (Mus.) orchestral piece opening opera, oratorio, etc. (*concert* ~, one-movement composition in same style); beginning of poem etc. [OF (OVERT, -URE)]

overturn, v.t. & i., & n., see OVER-4; over-use v.t., & n., overvalue v.t., OVER-6; overwalk v. refl. & i., overwatched a., OVER-7; overweening a., OVER-6; overweight n. OVER-1, adj. OVER-2; overweighted a., OVER-6; overwhelm v.t., overwhelming a., OVER-4; overwind v.t., overwork v.t. & i., & n., OVER-6; overwrite v. refl. & i., OVER-7; overwrought a., OVER-6.

ōvi-1, *ōvo-*, comb. forms of OVUM; *ov'i-duct* n., canal through which ova pass from ovary esp. in oviparous animals; *ov'form* a., egg-shaped; *ovip'arous* a., producing young by means of eggs expelled from body before being hatched (opp. VIVIPAROUS); *ovipos'it* (-z) v.t., lay

egg(s), esp. with *ovipositor* n., pointed tubular organ with which female insect deposits eggs; *ovorhomboid* 'al etc., between rhomboid etc. & oval; *ovul'ogy* n., science of the formation of animals' ova; *ovovivip'arous* a., producing young by eggs hatched within body.

ōvi-², comb. form of *L ovis* sheep; ~ *bōvine* a. & n., (animal) having characters intermediate between sheep & ox, musk-ox; *ov'icide* n. (joc.), sheep-killing. **Ovid'ian**, a. (As) of Ovid or his poetry. [*L Ovidius* Ovid, -IAN]

ōv'ine, a. Of, like, sheep. [*f. L ovinus* (ovis sheep, -INE¹)]

ōv'oid, a. & n. 1. Solidly or superficially egg-shaped, oval with one end more pointed. 2. n. ~ body or surface. [OVUM, -OID]

ōv'old, n. (pl. -lō. -lē). Convex moulding of quarter-circle or quarter-ellipse section, receding downwards. [*It. (now uovolo)*, dim. of *uovo* egg *f. L OVUM*]

ōv'ule, n. Rudimentary seed, female germ-cell, unfertilized ovum. Hence **ōv'ūlar** 'a. [*F (foll., -ULE)*]

ōv'um, n. (pl. *ova*). Female germ in animals, capable of developing into new individual when fertilized by male sperm, egg esp. of mammals, fish, or insects. [*L*, =egg]

owe (ō), v.t. & i. (*owing*). Be under obligation to (re)pay (person money, money to person, money) or render (person honour etc., gratitude etc. to person), be in debt (for thing, with creditor in dat.; *he ~s not any man*; *I ~ you for your services*, ~d for all my clothes); ~ one a *grudge*, cherish resentment against him; be indebted for to person (or with dat.; *we ~ to Newton the principle of gravitation*; *I ~ him much*). [*com.-Teut.*; OE *agan*, cf. OHG *eigan*, Da. *etc* own; earlier past tense, *ought*², OE *dhte*]

Ow'enism (ō-), n. Communistic co-operation advocated by Robert Owen (d. 1858). [-ISM]

ow'ing (ōi-), pred. a. Yet to be paid, owed, due, (*paid all that was ~*); ~ to, attributable to, caused by, (*all this was ~ merely to ill luck*), (as prep.) on account of (~ to the drought, crops are short). [OWE, -ING²]

owl, n. Kinds of large-headed small-faced hook-beaked large-eyed soft-plumaged nocturnal bird of prey (esp. *Barn Owl*, *Tawny Owl*, & *Long-eared* or *Horned Owl*, each with other names, as *Church*, *Screech*, *Hooping*, etc., *Owl*; *fly with the ~*, have nocturnal habits; ~s to *Athens*, = COAL's to *Newcastle*); solemn person, wise-looking dullard, whence ~ISH² a., ~ISHLY² adv.; (also ~ *pigeon*) fancy variety of pigeon; ~light, dusk, twilight. Hence ~ERY² (3) n. [*com.-Teut.*; OE *ale*, cf. *G eagle*; prob. imit., cf. *L ulula* owl, *whulore* HOWL¹]

owl'et, n. Owl, young owl. [earlier **owlet**]

own¹ (ōn), a. 1. (Appended to possessive adj. or case) in full ownership, proper, peculiar, individual, & not another's, (*saw it with my ~ eyes*; *has a value all its ~*; *let them STEW² in their ~ juice*; *loves truth for its ~ sake*; *be one's ~ man*, independent, free; *God's ~ heaven*; *may I have it for my ~* or *my very ~?*; *my ~ sweet-heart* etc., or abs. *my ~*, esp. in voc. expressing affection; often also used to emphasize not the ownership, but the personality of the subject etc., as [*cooks her ~ meals*, *every man his ~ lawyer*, *am my ~ master*; also used abs. = private property, kindred, etc., as *may I not do what I will with my ~?*, the DEVIL's ~ of one's ~, belonging to one, as *I have nothing of my ~*, *will give you one of my ~*; *get one's ~ back*, colloq., get even with, revenge oneself (on); *hold one's ~*, maintain position, not be defeated; *on one's ~*, sl., independently, on one's ~ account or responsibility or resources). 2. (Without preceding possessive) ~ brother, sister, with both parents the same; ~ cousin, first. [OE *ægen*, *ægen*, p.p. of *owe* (in obs. sense possess); cf. Du. & G *eigen*]

own² (ōn), v.t. & i. Have as property, possess, whence **ow'ner**², **ow'nership** (1), n., **ow'nerless** a., (ōn-); acknowledge authorship, paternity, or possession, of (*child*, *pamphlet*, *hat*, *that nobody will ~*); admit as existent, valid, true, etc. (~s his deficiencies, himself indebted, he or that he did not know); confess to (~s to a sense of shame, to having done); ~ up, colloq., make frank confession; submit to (person's sway etc.) without protest; *the ~er* (Nav. sl.), captain of the ship. [OE *āgnian* (āgen own¹)]

ōx, n. (pl. *oxen*). 1. Any bovine animal, individual of kinds of large usu. horned cloven-footed ruminant quadruped used when domesticated for draught, for supplying milk, and for eating as meat, (esp. castrated male of domestic species, (*the black ox has trod on one's foot*, misfortune or old age has come upon him); *ox-bird*, kinds of small bird, esp. the dunlin. 2. *Ox-eye*, large human eye, whence **ōx-eye**² (-id) a., kinds of plant esp. (*Yellow Ox-eye*) *Corn Marigold*, (*White Ox-eye*) *Ox-eyed Daisy*; *ox-fence* or **ōx'er**² n., strong cattle-fence of railing & hedge & occas. ditch; *ox-gall* (used for cleansing, & in painting & pharmacy); *ox'herd*, cowherd; *ox'hide*; *ox'tip*, primula rare in Britain, (pop.) hybrid of primrose & cowslip; *ox'tail*, tail of ox, much used for soup-making. [*com.-Teut.*; OE *oxa*, cf. Du. *os*, G *ochse*, also W ych, Skr. *ukshdn* pl.] **ōx-**, comb. form (chem.) = OXY-, as *oxacetic* or *oxyacetic*, or = OXAL-, as *oxamic*. **ōxal**(o)-, comb. form of *oxalic acid*, whence **ōx'alate**² (3) n., *oxalo-nit'rate* etc. **ōx'al'ic**, a. (chem.). Derived from wood-sorrel (~ *acid*, a highly poisonous & sour

acid found in wood-sorrel & other plants). [f. F *oxalique* (L f. Gk *oxalis* kinds of plant including wood-sorrel, -ic)]

Ox'ford (ô-), n. University town in England; || ~ *bags*, very wide trousers; ~ *blue* (dark with purple tinge); ~ *clay*, deposit of stiff blue clay underlying coral rag in midland counties; || ~ *frame*, picture-frame of which sides cross each other at corners & project; ~ *Group* (*Movement*), see BUCHMANISM; ~ *man*, educated at ~ Univ.; ~ *mixture*, dark-grey cloth; ~ *movement*, for revival of Catholic doctrine & observance in Church of England begun c. 1833; ~ *shirting*, kind of shirt or dress material; ~ *shoes*, low shoes lacing over instep; ~ *Tracts*, the 'TRACTS for the Times'.

ôx'ide, n. Compound of oxygen with another element or with organic radical. [F, after *acide* acid (OX=OXY, -IDE)]

ôx'idize, v.t. & i. Cause to combine with oxygen; cover (metal) with coating of oxide, make rusty; take up or enter into combination with oxygen, rust; ~ed *silver*, (incorrect name for) silver with dark coat of silver sulphide. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ATION, ~ER'(-2), nn. [prec., -IZE]

Oxôn'ian (ô-), a. & n. (Past or present member) of University of Oxford. [*Oronia* latinized name of *Ox(en)ford*, -AN]

ôxy-, comb. form of Gk *oxus* sharp: (1) in gen. senses, as ~*carp'ous*, with pointed fruit; ~*ôp'ia*, abnormal keenness of vision; OXYGEN; OXYMORON; OXYTONE; (2) in chem. wds as comb. form of *oxygen*, (a) denoting presence or admixture of oxygen; ~*acetyl'ene*, consisting of, involving use of, a mixture of oxygen & acetylene (~*acetylene blowpipe*, for producing intensely hot flame for welding etc.); ~*house'-gas*, ~*pa'roffin*, etc., used attrib. of flame produced by mixing the vapour of the gas etc. with oxygen; ~*cal'cium light*, limelight; ~*hyd'rogen blowpipe*, flame, light, etc.; ~*a'cid* (& see b.); ~*ôysalt*, containing oxygen; (b) loosely used for *hydroxy-*, denoting compound of organic substance having atom of hydroxyl substituted for one of hydrogen, as ~*a'cid* (& see a.).

ôx'ygén, n. Colourless tasteless scentless gas, one of the non-metallic elements, existing in air & combined in water & most minerals & organic substances, & being essential to animal & vegetable life. Hence ôxy'génous a. [f. F *oxygène* acidifying principle, see OXY(-1), -GEN; it was at first held to be the essential principle in formation of acids]

ôx'ygénâte (or ôksâ'), v.t. Supply, treat, or mix, with oxygen, oxidize; charge (blood) with oxygen by respiration. Hence ~ANT'(-2), ~ATION, nn. [f. F *oxygèner* (prec.), -ATE']

ôx'ygénize (or ôksî'), v.t. =prec. [-IZE]

ôx'y'mél, n. Syrup of honey & vinegar. [L f. Gk *oxumeli* (OXY, *meli* honey)]

ôx'y'môr'on, n. (rhet.). Figure of speech with pointed conjunction of seeming contradictory (e.g. *faith unfaithful kept him falsely true*). [Gk (-mô-) f. OXY(-1), *môros* foolish]

ôx'y'tone, a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Word) with acute accent on last syllable. [f. Gk *oxutonos* f. OXY(-1), *tonos* TONE]

oy'er, n. Criminal trial under the writ of ~ & *terminer* or commission to judges on circuit to hold courts. [f. AF *oyer et terminer* (L *audire hear, terminare, determinare*). -ER']

oyez, **oyes**, **o yes**, (ôyès'), int. uttered, usu. thrice, by public crier or court officer to bespeak silence & attention. [OF (-z), imperat. of *oir hear*=L *audialis* (*audire hear*)]

oys'ter, n. Kinds of edible bivalve mollusc usu. eaten alive; ~-shaped morsel of meat in fowl's back; ~-*bank*, ~-*bed*, part of sea-bottom where ~s breed or are bred; ~-*bar*, counter in restaurant etc. where ~s are served; ~-*catcher*, wading sea-bird; ~-*furn*, sea bottom used for breeding ~s; ~-*knife*, of shape adapted for opening ~s; ~ *patty*, piece of pastry containing cooked ~s. [f. OF *oistre* f. L *ostrea* f. Gk *ostreon*]

ozô'cerite, **ozôk'erit**, n. Wax-like fossil resin used for candles, insulating, etc. [G (-kerit), irreg. f. Gk *ozô* smell, *keros* wax]

ôz'ôn'e, n. Condensed form of oxygen with three atoms to molecule having pungent refreshing odour, (fig.) exhilarating influence. Hence **ozôn'ic**, ~*if'ER-ous*, aa., ~*IZ*E(3, 5) v.t., ~*IZ*E'(-2), ~*ôM'ETER*, nn. [f. (Gk *ozô* smell, -ONE)]

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P, p, (pê), letter (pl. Ps, P's). *Mind* one's P's & Q's, be careful of propriety.

pa (pah), n. (colloq.). =PAPA. [abbr.]

pâb'ûlum, n. Food (often fig., as *mental* ~). [L (*pascere* feed)]

pâc'a, n. Genus of large rodents in Central & South America. [native]

pâc'e, n. Single step in walking or running; space traversed in this (about 30 in.); space between successive stationary positions of same foot in walking (about 60 in.); mode of walking or running, gait; any of various gaits of (esp. trained) horse, mule, etc.; =AMBLE; (fig.) *put* person *through his ~s*, test his qualities in action etc.; speed in walking or running; rate of progression (often fig.); *keep ~*, advance at equal rate *with*; *go the ~*, go at great speed, (fig.) indulge in dissipation; ~*maker*, rider, runner, etc., who sets ~ for another in race etc.; || ~*stick*, drill-sergeant's adjustable two-legged appliance for measuring length of ~.

Hence -**pācēd**² (-st) a. [ME, f. OF *pass*, L *passus* (*pandere pass-* stretch)]

pācē², v.i. & t. Walk with slow or regular pace; traverse thus; measure (distance) by pacing; (of horse) amble; set pace for (rider, runner, etc.). [f. prec.]

pā'cē³, prep. ~ *th'ā*, ~ *Smith*, (in announcing contrary opinion) with all deference to you, to Smith. [L, abl. of PAX]

pā'cer, n. In vbl senses, esp. horse that paces. [-ER¹]

pacha etc. See PASHA etc.

pachī'st (-chō²), n. Four-handed Indian game with cowries for dice. [Hind., = of 25]

pāch'ydērm (-k-), n. Thick-skinned quadruped, esp. one of Cuvier's (now discarded) group *Pachydermata* (hoofed quadrupeds that do not chew cud, e.g. elephant, bison, etc.); (fig.) thick-skinned person. So **pāch'ydērm'atous** (-k-) a. [f. f. *pachyderme* f. Gk *pachydermos* (*pakhus* thick + *derma* -malos skin)]

pacif'ic, a. & n. Tending to peace; of peaceful disposition; the *P*~ (*Ocean*), that between America & Asia. Hence **pacif'ically** adv. [f. L *pacificus* (*pac* peace, see -HO)]

pacificā'tion, n. Pacifying; treaty of peace. So **pacif'icatory** a. [F, f. L *pacificationem* (as PACIFY, see -FICATION)]

pacif'icism, **pā'cidism**, n. The doctrine that the abolition of war is both desirable & possible. Hence **pacif'icist**, **pā'civist**, n. [PACIFY, -ISM; the -fism, -list forms are barbarous but usual]

pā'cify, v.t. Appease (person, anger, excitement, etc.); reduce (country etc.) to state of peace. [f. F *pacifier* f. L *pacificare* (as PACIFY, see -FY)]

pack¹, n. 1. Bundle of things wrapped up or tied together for carrying, parcel, esp. pedlar's bundle or soldier's knapsack. 2. A measure of various goods. 3. Lot, set, (~ of fools, lies, nonsense, etc.). 4. Number of hounds kept together for hunting, or of beasts (esp. wolves) or birds (esp. grouse) naturally associating; organized group of U-boats. 5. (Rugby footb.) a side's forwards. 6. Set of playing-cards. 7. Large area of large pieces of floating ice in polar sea. 8. Quantity of fish, fruit, etc., packed in a season etc.; (Commere.) method of packing for the market. 9. ~ *drill*, military punishment of walking up and down in full *marching order* (2); ~ *horse* (for carrying ~s); ~ *man*, pedlar; ~ *saddle* (adapted for supporting ~s); ~ *thread*, stout thread for sewing or tying up ~s. [ME *packe*, cf. Du. *pak*, G *pack*]

pack², v.t. & i. 1. Put (things) together into bundle, box, bag, etc., for transport or storing (often ~ *up*, esp. abs.); (of things) admit of being ~ed *well, easily*, etc. 2. Prepare & put up (meat, fruit, etc.) in tins etc. for preservation. 3. Put

closely together; (Naut.) ~ (put) *on all sail*; form (hounds) into pack; place (cards) together in pack; (intr.) crowd together, (of animals) form into pack.

4. Cover (thing) with something pressed tightly round; (Med.) wrap (body etc.) in wet cloth. 5. (Boxing sl.) be capable of delivering (a punch) with skill or force. 6. Fill (bag, box, etc.) with clothes etc.; cram (space etc. *with*); load (beast) with pack. 7. Depart with one's belongings; send (person) ~ing, dismiss him summarily; ~ (person) *off*, send him away. 8. (prob. diff. wd.). Select (jury etc.) so as to secure partial decision. 9. ~ *up* (sl.), (of an engine) peter out, go out of action. [f. prec.]

pack'age, n., & v.t. 1. Bundle of things packed, parcel; box etc. in which goods are packed. 2. v.t. Make up into, enclose in, a ~. [-AGE]

pack'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who packs meat, fruit, etc., for market; machine for packing. [-ER¹]

pack'ēt, n. Small package; || (sl.) considerable sum won or lost in betting, speculation, etc.; || *catch, stop, a ~* (sl.), be (severely) wounded by bullet etc.; ~ (*boat*), mail-boat. [PACK¹ + -ET¹]

pack'ing, n. In vbl senses, also (oil-absorbing) material closing a joint or assisting in lubrication of a JOURNAL; ~ *box*, = STUFFING-box; ~ *needle*, large needle for sewing up packages; ~ *sheet*, (1) sheet for packing goods in, (2) wet sheet used in hydropathy. [-ING¹]

pacl, n. Compact; *P*~ of LOCARNO, PEACE *P*~. [OF, f. L *pactum*, neut. p.p. of *paciscere* agree]

pad¹, n. 1. (sl.). Road, esp. gentleman, knight, squire, of the ~, highwayman. 2. (Also ~ *neg*) easy-paced horse. [Du., cogn. w. PATH]

pad², v.t. & i. (-dd-). Tramp along (road etc.) on foot; travel on foot; ~ *it*, ~ *the hoof*, (sl.), go on foot. [cogn. w. prec.]

pad³, n. 1. Soft stuffed saddle without tree; part of double harness to which girths are attached. 2. Cushion, stuffing, used to diminish jarring, fill out hollows, etc.; guard for parts of body in cricket etc. 3. Number of sheets of blotting-, writing-, or drawing-paper fastened together at edge. 4. Fleishy cushion forming sole of foot in some quadrupeds; paw of fox, hare, etc. 5. Socket of brace, tool-handle. [f.]

pad⁴, v.t. (-dd-). Furnish with a pad, stuff; fill out (sentence etc.) with superfluous words; ~ *ded cell*, room in lunatic asylum with ~ed walls. Hence ~ *d'ing* (4) n. [f. prec.]

pad⁵, n. Open pannier used as measure of fruit etc. [f.]

pad'dle¹, n. Small spade-like implement with long handle; short broad-bladed oar used without rowlock; *double ~* (with

blade at each end); one of the boards fitted round circumference of ~wheel; ~shaped instrument; (Zool.) fin or flipper; ~wheel, wheel for propelling ship, with boards round circumference so as to press backward against water; ~box, casing over upper part of this. [f]

pád'dle¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Move on water, propel canoe, by means of paddles; ~ one's own canoe, (fig.) depend on oneself alone; row gently. 2. n. Action, spell, of paddling. [f. prec.]

pád'dle², v.i. Dabble with the feet in shallow water; toy with the fingers (*in, on, about*, thing); (of child) toddle. [f]

pádd'ock¹, n. Small field, esp. as part of stud farm; turf enclosure near racecourse, where horses are assembled before race. [prob. var. of *parrock*, OE *pearroc*, cf. G *pferch* fold, Du. *perk* pen, *PARK*]

|| **pádd'ock**², n. (arch., dial.). Frog or toad. [f. OE *paðe*, cf. Du. *pad*, toad + *-ock*]

Pádd'y¹, n. (Nickname for) Irishman. [pet-form of *Padraig*, *Patrick*]

pádd'y², n. Rice in the straw or in the husk. [f. Malay *padi*]

|| **pádd'y**³, **pádd'ywhäck**, nn. (colloq.). A rage, fit of temper. [*PADDY*¹; -*uhack* unexpl.]

pa'dishah, **pa'dshah**, (pah-), n. Title in Persia of shah, in Europe formerly of Sultan of Turkey, in India of British sovereign. [Pers. (*pat*) master + *shah* SHAH]

pád'lock, n., & v.t. 1. Detachable lock hanging by pivoted hoop on object fastened. 2. v.t. Secure with this. [*pad*, etym. dub., + *LOCK*²]

padouk (pahdowk'), n. Burmese timber-tree; its wood, resembling rosewood. [native name]

padre (pahd'rä), n. (colloq.). Chaplain. [Port. etc., =father, priest]

padr-ön'é, n. Master of Mediterranean trading-vessel; Italian employer of street musicians, begging-children, etc.; proprietor of Italian inn. [It.]

pád'uasoy, n. Strong corded silk fabric much worn in 18th c. (cf. *POULT-DE-SOIE*). [corrupt, f. *F pou-de-soie*, etym. dub., by assoc. with *Padua*]

pa'e'an, n. Chant of thanksgiving for deliverance (orig.) addressed to Apollo or Artemis; song of praise or triumph. [L, f. Gk *paian* hymn to Apollo under name of *Paian*]

paed'er'ästý, **péd'**, n. Sodomy. So ~äst n., sodomite. [f. Gk *paiderastia* (*pais paidos* boy + *erastês* lover)]

paedo-, **pédo-**, in comb. = Gk *pais paidos* child, as ~báp'tism, infant baptism, ~báp'tist, adherent of this.

pa'e'on, n. Metrical foot of one long syllable placed first, second, third, or fourth (*first* etc. ~) & three short. Hence **pa'eön'to** a. [L, f. Gk *paion*, Attic form of *paian* *PAIAN*]

päg'an, n. & a. Heathen; unenlightened (person). Hence ~DOM, ~ISM(2), nn., ~ISH¹ a., ~IZZ(3) v.t. & i. [f. L *paganus* (*pagus* country district, -AN)]

päge¹, n., & v.t. 1. Boy, usu. in livery, employed to attend to door, go on errands, etc.; || ~ of honour, of the presence, etc., titles of various officers of royal household; boy employed as personal attendant of person of rank; boy in training for knighthood & attached to knight's service (hist.); hence ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn. 2. v.t. *Summon by means of a ~ (who calls out the name of person wanted until found). [OF, etym. dub., cf. It. *paggio*]

päge², n. One side of leaf of book etc.; (fig.) episode fit to fill a ~ in history etc. [F, f. L *pagina* (*pangere* fasten)]

päge³, v.t. Put consecutive numbers on pages of (book etc.). [f. prec.]

pä'geant (-jnt; also pä-), n. Brilliant spectacle, esp. procession, arranged for effect; spectacular procession, or play performed in the open, illustrating the history of a place; tableau, allegorical device, etc., on fixed stage or moving car; (fig.) empty or specious show. [etym. dub., perh. f. *pagina* *PAGE*¹]

pä'geantry (-jn-), n. Splendid display; empty show. [prec. + -RY]

|| **Pä'gét**, M.P., n. Traveller who expects to know all there is to know of a country in a few months. [character in Kipling]

pä'gin'al, a. Of pages; page for page. So ~ARY¹ a. [f. LL *paginalis* (*PAGE*², -AL)]

pä'gin'äte, v.t. Page (book etc.). Hence ~ATION a. [f. L *pagina* *PAGE*² + -ATE³]

pagôd'a, n. 1. Sacred building, esp. tower usu. of pyramidal form, in India, China, etc.; ornamental imitation of this. 2. Gold coin once current in S. India; ~tree, kinds of Indian & Chinese tree, (fig.) tree fabled to produce ~s (coin), esp. *shake the ~tree*, make rapid fortune in India. [f. Port. *pagode* of Ind. orig.]

pagūr'ian, a. & n. (Of) the hermit-crab. [f. L f. Gk *pagouros*, kind of crab, + -IAN]

pah¹, int. expr. disgust. [natural]

pah², n. Native fort in New Zealand. [f. Maori *pā* (*pā* vb, block up)]

paid. See *PAY*².

pail, n. Vessel, usu. round, of wood or metal for carrying liquids etc.; amount contained in this, as *half a ~ of milk*. Hence ~FUL n. [OE has *peegel* gill; OF has *paelle* frying-pan, bath, etc., f. L *patella* dim. of *patina* dish]

paillasse, **palliasse**, (*pályäs'* or *päl'yäs*), n. Straw mattress. [F (*pai*-), f. *paille* straw f. L *palæa*]

paillette (*pályët'*), n. Piece of bright metal used in enamel painting; spangle. [F (dim. as prec.)]

pain¹, n. Suffering, distress, of body or mind, whence ~FUL, ~LESS, aa., ~FULLY², ~LESSLY², advv., ~FULNESS, ~LESSNESS, nn.; (pl.) throes of childbirth; (pl.) trouble

taken, esp. *take ~s, be at the ~s of (doing), get (a thrashing etc.) for one's ~s*; punishment, now only in *~s & penalties, on or under ~ of (death or other punishment to be incurred)*; *~killer*, medicine for alleviating ~; *~s'taking*, careful, industrious. [f. OF *peine* f. L *poena* penalty]

pain², v.t. & i. Inflict pain upon; give rise to pain, ache (*my arm is ~ing*). [f. OF *peiner* f. med. L *poenare* (as prec.)]

paint¹, n. Solid colouring-matter, suspended in liquid vehicle so as to impart colour to a surface; LUMINOUS ~; colouring-matter for face etc., rouge etc. [f. toll.]

paint², v.t. Portray, represent, (object, or abs.) in colours; adorn (wall etc.) with ~ing; (fig.) represent (incident etc.) in words vividly as by ~ing; *not so black as he is ~ed* (represented); cover surface of (object) with paint; apply paint of specified colour to, as *~ the door green*; (sl.) *~ the town red*, cause commotion by riotous spree etc.; apply rouge to (face, often abs.); *~ out*, efface with paint; *P~ed Lady*, butterfly of orange-red colour with black & white spots. Hence *~ING¹* (1, 2) n. [f. OF *peindre* f. L *pingere* pict-paint]

paint'er¹, n. One who paints pictures; workman who colours woodwork etc. with paint; *~'s colic*, form of colic to which ~s who work with lead are liable. So **paint'ress¹** n. [f. AF *peintour* f. com.-Rom. *pinctorem* = L *pictorem* (as prec., see -OR²)]

paint'er², n. Rope attached to bow of boat for making it fast to ship, stake, etc.; *cut the ~*, (fig., usu. of colony) effect a separation. [Y]

paint'y, a. Of paint; (of picture) overcharged with paint. [-Y²]

pair¹, n. Set of two, couple, (esp. of things that usu. exist or are used in couples, as gloves, shoes, sculls, heels, eyes); *~ royal*, set of three cards of same denomination or of three dice turning up same number; article consisting of two corresponding parts not used separately, as *~ of scissors, tongs, trousers*; engaged or married couple; mated couple of animals; *~ (of horses)*, two horses harnessed together; (Parl.) two voters on opposite sides absenting themselves from division by mutual agreement, person willing to act thus (*cannot find a ~*); the other member of a *~ (where is the ~ to this sock?)*; *~ (flight) of stairs, of steps (one, two, three, ~ front or back, room on the first etc. floor or its occupant); another ~ of shoes*; *~horse a.*, for a ~ of horses; *~oar*, boat rowed by ~ of oars. [f. F *paire* f. L *paria* neut. pl. of *par* equal]

pair², v.t. & i. Arrange (persons, things), be arranged, in couples; unite (t. & i.) in love or marriage; (of animals) mate; unite (*with* one of opposite sex); *~ off*,

put two by two, (intr.) go off in pairs, (Parl.) make a pair, (colloq.) marry (*with*) [f. prec.]

pajamas. See PYJAMAS.

Pakistan' (pah-, -ahn), n. 1. Idea of Muslim autonomy; proposed separate Muslim State. 2. Since 1947 an independent State in Asia: since 1956 an independent Republic.

pāl, n. & v.i. (sl.; -li-). 1. Comrade, mate. 2. v.i. (Usu. *~ up*) associate (*with*). [E Gipsy]

pāl'ace, n. Official residence of sovereign, archbishop, or bishop; stately mansion; spacious building for entertainment, refreshment, etc.; || GIN² ~; || *~ car*, luxurious railway-carriage. [f. OF *palais* f. L *Palatium*, hill in Rome, house of Augustus built on this]

pāl'adin, n. Any of the Twelve Peers of Charlemagne's court, of whom the Count Palatine was the chief; knight errant. [F. as PALATINE¹]

pāl'ae[o-], **pāl'e[o-]**, in comb. (before vowel *palae-*) - Gk *palaios* ancient (cf. NEO-), as: *~oarc'ic*, of northern part of Old World; *~oecys'tic*, of ancient ice, frozen from remote ages; *~og'raphy*, study of ancient writing & inscriptions, so *~og'rapher*, *~ograph'ic*; *~olith'ic*, marked by use of primitive stone implements; *~ontol'ogy*, study of extinct organized beings, so *~ontol'ogical*, *~ontol'ogist*; *pāl'acothere*, extinct genus of tapir-like mammal; *~oos'tic*, of, containing, ancient forms of life, of the first geological period (cf. CAINOZOIC, MESOZOIC).

palaes'tra, **palēs't**, n. Wrestling-school, gymnasium. [L, f. Gk *palaistra* (*palaiō* wrest[le])]

pāl'afitte, n. Prehistoric hut on piles over lake in Switzerland or N. Italy. [F, f. It. *palafitta* pile-fence (*palo* stake + *fitta* fixed)]

pāl'anquin', **-nkeen'**, (-kēn), n. Covered litter for one, in India & the East, carried usu. by four or six men; (loosely) closed carriage in the East. [f. Port. *palanquin*, cf. Malay *palangki*, Hind. *palki*]

pāl'atable, a. Pleasant to the taste; (fig.) agreeable to the mind. Hence *~LY²* adv. [f. PALATE + -ABLE]

pāl'atal, a. & n. Of the palate; (sound) made by placing tongue against (usu. hard) palate, whence *~IZE(3)* v.t. [F (foll., -AL)]

pāl'ate, n. 1. Roof of the mouth in vertebrates; *bony or hard, soft, ~*, its front, back part; *cleft ~* (see CLEFT¹). 2. Sense of taste; mental taste, liking. [f. L *palatum*]

pāl'ā'tial (-shl), a. Like a palace; splendid. [f. L as PALACE + -AL]

pālāt'inate, n. 1. Territory under a count palatine; the (*Rhine*) P~, State of old

German Empire, under rule of the Count Palatine of the Rhine. 2. || (In Durham Univ.) light shade of purple or lavender, blazer of this colour as sports distinction. [I. foll. + -ATR¹]

pāl'atine¹, a. & n. 1. (Count) P~, count having within the territory jurisdiction as elsewhere belongs only to sovereign (in Eng. Hist. also *Earl P~*); *County P~*, his territory (still in England of Lancashire and Cheshire). 2. n. Woman's fur tippet. [F' (-in, -ine), f. L *palatinus* of the PALACE, see -INE¹]

pāl'atine², a. & n. Of the palate; (n. pl., also ~ bones) two bones forming hard palate. [F' (-in, -ine), as PALATE, see -INE¹]

pāl'atogrām, n. Record of the use made of the palate in producing a sound. [f. L *palatum* palate + -GRAM]

pala'ver (-lah-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Conference, (prolonged) discussion, esp. between African or other natives & traders etc.; profuse or idle talk; cajolery; (sl.) affair, business. 2. vb. Talk profusely; flatter, wheedle. [vb f. n. f. Port. *palavra* word f. L as PARABLE]

pāle¹, n. Pointed piece of wood for fence etc., stake; boundary. esp. (fig.) *within, beyond*, etc., the ~; (Hist.) *the (English) P~*, part of Ireland under English rule; (Her.) vertical strip in middle of shield. [f. F *pal* f. L *pallās*]

pāle², a. (Of person or complexion) of whitish or ashen appearance; (of colours) faint; faintly coloured; of faint lustre, dim; ~face, supposed N.-Amer. Ind. name for white man. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *pal* f. f. L *pallidus* (pallēre be pale)]

pāle³, v.i. & t. Grow pale; (fig.) become pale in comparison (usu. *before* or *beside*); make pale. [f. OF *palir* (as prec.)]

pāled (-ld), a. Having pallings. [PAL¹, -ED²]

pālēs'tra. See PALAESTRA.

pāl'etot (-etō), n. Loose cloak for man or woman. [F', etym. dub.]

pāl'ette, n. Artist's flat tablet for mixing colours on; colours used by particular artist or on particular occasion; ~knife, thin steel blade with handle for mixing colours. [F, dim. of *pale* shovel f. L *pala*]

pāl'frey (paw-, pā-), n. (arch., poet.). Saddl'e-horse for ordinary riding, esp. for ladies. [f. OF *palefrei* f. LL *palafrēdus*, *paracerēdus* (Gk *para* beside, extra, + *cerēdus* light horse, whence G *perd*)]

Pa'i (pah-), n. Language used in canonical books of Buddhists. [for *pālī-bhāsa* (*pālī* canon + *bhāsa* language)]

pāl'ikār, n. Member of band of Greek or Albanian military chief, esp. during War of Independence. [f. mod. Gk *palikari* lad (Gk *paltar* -akos youth)]

pāl'impsēst, n. & a. Writing-material, manuscript, the original writing on which has been effaced to make room for a

second; (adj.) so treated. [f. L f. Gk *palimpsestos* (*pālīn* again + *psaō* rub smooth)]

pāl'indrōme, n. & a. (Word, verse, etc.) that reads the same backwards as forwards (e.g. *madam*). Hence *pālindrōm'ic* a. [f. Gk *pālindromos* running back again (*pālīn* again + *drom* -run)]

pāl'ing, n. (Fence of) pales. [PALE¹, -ING¹]

pālīn'gēn'ēsis (-nj-), n. Regeneration (lit. & fig.); revival; (Biol.) exact reproduction of ancestral character, whence ~gēnēt'ic a. [f. Gk *pālīn* again + GENE¹]

pāl'inōde, n. Poem in which author retracts thing said in former poem; recantation. [f. L f. Gk *pālīnōidia* (*pālīn* again + *ōidē* song)]

pālīsādē', n., & v.t. 1. Fence of pales or of iron railings; (Mil.) strong wooden stake. 2. v.t. Furnish, enclose, with ~. [f. F *pālissade* (*pālissier* enclose with pales, as PALE¹, see -ADE)]

pāl'ish, a. Somewhat pale. [-ISH¹]

pāl¹ (pawl), n. Cloth, usu. of black or purple or white velvet, spread over coffin, hearse, or tomb; woollen vestment worn by Pope & some metropolitans or arch-bishops; (fig.) mantle, cloak; ~bearer, person holding up corner of ~ at funeral. [OE *pæll* f. L *pallium* cloak]

pāl² (pawl), v.i. & t. Become insipid (now only fig.), esp. ~on (person, mind, taste); satiate, cloy. [prob. aphetic f. APVAL]

Pallād'ian, a. (archit.). In the pseudo-classical style of the 16th-c. Italian Palladio. [-AN]

pallād'ium¹, n. (pl. -ia). Image of Pallas on which safety of Troy was held to depend; safeguard. [L, f. Gk *palladion*]

pallād'ium², n. Rare hard white metallic element of platinum group. [f. *Pallas*, an asteroid + -IUM]

pāl'ēt, n. Straw bed; mattress. [ME & dial. F *pailet* (*paille* straw f. L *palea*)]

pāl'ēt, n. Flat wooden blade with handle, used by potters etc.; artist's PALETTE; projection on a part of a machine, serving to change mode of motion of wheel; valve under each pipe in wind-chest of organ. [f. PALETTE]

palliase. See PALLEASSE.

pāl'i'āte, v.t. Alleviate (disease) without curing; extenuate, excuse. So ~ATION n. [f. L *palliare* cloak (PALIUM). see -ATE³]

pāl'iative, a. & n. (Thing) that serves to palliate. [F' (-ī-, -ive), as prec., see -IVE]

pāl'id, a. Pale. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L as PALE¹]

pāl'ium, n. Man's large rectangular cloak, esp. among the Greeks; arch-bishop's PALL¹; integumental fold of mollusc, whence ~AL a. [L]

pall-mall (pē'māl'), n. Game in which ball was driven through iron ring suspended in long alley; || *Pall-Mall*, street

in London developed from such an alley, & noted for clubs. [f. obs. *F pallemaille* f. It. *pallamaglio* (*palla* ball + *maglio* mallet f. *L. malleus*)]

páll'or, n. Palenoses. [L (*pallere* be pale, see -OR¹)]

páll'y, a. (colloq.). Friendly. [PAL, -Y¹]

palm¹ (pahm), n. Large family of trees, chiefly tropical, usu. with upright unbranched stem & head of large pinnate or fan-shaped leaves; branch of ~-tree as symbol of victory; supreme excellence, prize for this, esp. *bear*, *yield*, the ~ branch of various trees substituted for in northern countries, esp. in celebrating *P ~ Sunday*; ~oil (got from various ~ also, with pun on *palm*², bribe-money); *P ~ Sunday*, Sunday before Easter, on which Christ's entry into Jerusalem is celebrated by processions, in which branches of ~ are carried. Hence **pálma**¹CEOUS (-ishus) a. [OE, f. *L palma*]

palm² (pahm), n. Part of hand between wrist & fingers, esp. its inner surface; part of glove that covers this; breadth (about 4 in.), length (about 8 in.), of hand as measure; *grease* person's ~, bribe him; *sailmaker's* ~, lead boss mounted in leather straps fastened round ~, used as thimble. Hence (-)ED² (pahmd) a., ~FUL n. [ME & f. *palme* f. *L palma*]

palm³ (pahm), v.t. Impose fraudulently, pass off (thing on person); conceal (cards, dice, etc.) in hand; touch with palm; bribe. [prec.]

Pál'ma Chris'ti (k-), n. Castor-oil plant. [med. L, = palm of Christ, from handlike shape of leaves]

pál'mar, a. Of, in, the palm of the hand. [f. *L palmaris* (as PALM², see -AR¹)]

pál'marý, a. Bearing the palm, preeminent. [f. *L palmarius* (as PALM¹, see -ARY¹)]

pál'mate, -ätéd, aa. PALM²-shaped. [f. *L palmatus* (as PALM¹, see -ATE²)]

pa'lmer (pahm-), n. 1. Pilgrim returning from Holy Land with palm branch or leaf; itinerant monk under vow of poverty. 2. (Also ~worm) destructive hairy caterpillar. 3. Hairy artificial fly. [AF (as PALMARRY)]

pálmëtt'ö, n. (pl. ~s). Kinds of small palm, esp. dwarf fan-palm. [f. Sp. *palmito* dim. of *palma* PALM¹, refash. on It. wds in -etto]

pál'mipëd, -pëde, a. & n. Web-footed (bird). [f. *L palmipes* -pedis (as PALM² + pes pedis foot)]

pa'lmistrý (pahm-), n. Divination from palm of hand. So **pa'lmist(s)** (pahm-) n. [ME (PALM² + -istry, -istry, unexpl.)]

pa'lmý (pahm-), a. Of, like, abounding in, palms; triumphant, flourishing, esp. ~ days. [PALM¹ + -Y¹]

pálmýr'a, n. Kind of palm grown in India & Ceylon, with fan-shaped leaves used for matting etc. [f. Port. *palmeira*]

pálp, **pál'pus** (pl. -pt), nn. Jointed sense-organ in insects etc., feeler. Hence **pál'pal** a. [L (-pus)]

pál'pable, a. That can be touched or felt; readily perceived by senses or mind. Hence ~ABIL'ITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. LL *palpabilis* (as foll., see -BLE)]

pál'pâte, v.t. Handle, esp. in medical examination. So ~A'TION n. [f. *L palpate*, -ATE²]

pál'pébral, a. Of the eyelids. [f. *L palpebralis* (*palpebra* eyelid, see -AL)]

pál'pitâte, v.i. Pulsate, throb; tremble (with fear, pleasure, etc.). [f. *L palpitare* frequent. as PALPATE, see -ATE²]

pálpitá'tion, n. Throbbing; increased activity of heart due to exertion, agitation, or disease. [f. *L palpitatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

pa'lsgräve (pawl-), n. Count palatine. [f. Du. *palsgrave* = G *pfalzgraf* (*pfalzen* palaco + *grävo* count)]

pa'lstäve (pawl-), n. Celt of bronze etc. shaped to fit into split handle. [f. Da. *paalstav* f. Icel. *pálstafr* (*páll* hoc)]

palsy (pawl'zi), n., & v.t. 1. Paralysis; (fig.) cause, condition, of utter helplessness. 2. v.t. Paralyse (usu. fig.). [ME, f. OF *paralysie* as PARALYSIS]

pa'lter (pawl-), v.i. Shuffle, equivocate, (with person); haggie (with person about thing); trifle (with subject). [?]

pa'ltr'ý (pawl-), a. Worthless, petty, contemptible. Hence ~INESS n. [perh. attrib. use of dial. *palttry* rubbish (Fris. MDu., & E dial. *pall* rubbish + -ry)]

palüd'al (or *pál'l*), a. Of a marsh; malarial. [f. *L palūs* -udis marsh + -AL]

pál'y, a. (poet.). Somewhat pale. [-Y²]

pám, n. Knave of clubs, esp. in five-card loo. [Sc. has *Pamphie*, f. *Pamphile*, prob. f. Gk name *Pamphilos*]

pám'pa, n. (usu. pl., pr. -az, -as). Large treeless plain in S. America south of the Amazon; ~grass, gigantic grass introduced into Europe from S. America. [Sp., f. Peruv. *bamba* stopper, flat]

pám'per, v.t. Over-indulge (person, tastes, etc.); ~ed mental, flunkey. [prob. frequent. of obs. *pamp* cram, cf. G *pampen*; see -ER⁵]

pámper'o (-är'ö), n. (pl. ~s). Cold wind blowing from Andes to Atlantic. [Sp., as PAMPA]

pámph'lét, n. Small usu. unbound treatise, esp. on subject of current interest. [prob. f. *Pamphilet*, familiar name of 12th-c. Latin amatory poem *Pamphilus seu de Amore*, see -ET¹]

pámphléteer', n., & v.i. 1. Writer of pamphlets. 2. v.i. Write pamphlets. [-EEB]

pán', n. Metal or earthenware vessel, usu. shallow, for domestic purposes; STEW, WARM'ing, ~; ~like vessel in which substances are heated etc.; part of lock that held the priming in obsolete types of gun; hollow in ground, as SALT~; (also

hard ~) hard substratum of soil; BRAIN- ~; ~*'cake*, thin flat batter-cake fried in ~, esp. flat as a ~*'cake*, quite flat (v.t., sl., of aeroplane, descend vertically in level position). Hence ~*'RUL* n. [OE *panne*, cf. Du. *pan*, G *pfanne*]

pān², v.t. & i. (-nn-). ~ *off*, *out*, wash (gold-bearing gravel) in pan; (intr.) ~ *out*, yield gold, (fig.) succeed, work, (well etc.). [f. prec.]

Pān³, n. Greek rural god; the spirit of nature, paganism, the pre-Christian or the non-moral world. [Gk]

|| **pan**⁴ (pahn), n. Leaf of the BETEL; (used for) the mixture of ~, lime, & areca-nut parings chewed by Asiatics as a masticatory. [Hind.]

pān in comb. = Gk *pas pantos* all, as ~*'African*, of, for, all Africans; ~*'Anglican*, of the Anglican Church & its branches (~*'Anglican conference*); ~*'cos'mian*, doctrine that material universe is all that exists; ~*'gen'esis*, theory that each unit of an organism reproduces itself; ~*'Germ'an*, of all the Germans in political union; ~*'Hell'enism*, political union of all Greeks, so ~*'Hellē'ic* a.; ~*'Is'lam*, union of Mohammedan world, so ~*'Islām'ic* a.; ~*'logis'tic*, (of Hegel's philosophy) treating only the rational as real, so ~*'logism*; ~*'Sla'vism* (-lah-), movement for political union of all Slavs; ~*'sperm'atism*, ~*'sperm'y*, theory that the atmosphere is full of minute germs that develop in favourable environment.

panacē'a, n. Universal remedy. [L. f. Gk *panakeia* f. *PAN*(*akēs* f. *akos* remedy)]

panache' (-ahsh, -āsh), n. Tuft, plume, of feathers esp. as head-dress or on helmet; (fig.) display, swagger. [F. f. It. *penachio* (penna feather)]

pana'da (-nah-), n. Bread boiled to pulp & flavoured. [Sp., = It. *panata* (pane bread f. *L panis*, see -ADE)]

Pānamā' (-ah), n. ~ (*hat*), hat of fine pliant strawlike material made (orig. in Ecuador) from leaves of the screw-pine. [place]

|| **pān'atrōpe**, n. Electrical apparatus for reproduction of gramophone records through a loud-speaker. [perh. f. *PAN* + Gk *trōpos* turn, after *zoetrope*]

panchayat (punchi'at), n. (India). Village council. [Tamil *pañcāyattu* f. Skr. *pañcha* five]

panchromat'ic (-k-), a. (photog.). Equally sensitive to all spectrum colours. [*PAN* -]

pāncrāt'ic, a. Of the pancreatium; (Opt., of eyepiece) extensively adjustable. [f. foll. + -ic]

pāncrā'ti'um (-shī-), n. (Gk Ant.). Athletic contest combining wrestling & boxing. So ~*'AST*, **pānc'ratis't**, nn. [L. f. Gk *pankratōn* (*PAN* + *kratos* strength)]

pānc'rēās, n. Gland near stomach dis-

charging a digestive secretion (~*'atic juice*) into duodenum, sweetbread. So ~*'āt'ic* a., ~*'atin* n., one of the active principles of ~*'atic juice*, digestive extract prepared from the ~*'ascs* of animals. [f. Gk *pankreas* (*PAN* + *kreas* -*alos* flesh)]

pān'da, n. Indian racoon-like animal, red bear-cat. [native]

Pāndē'an, -*aeon*, a. Of *PAN*²; ~ *pipe*, = *PAN-PIPE*. [irreg. f. Gk *Pan*]

pān'dēct, n. (usu. pl.). Compendium in 50 books of Roman civil law made by order of Justinian in 6th c.; complete body of laws. [f. F *pandecte* f. L f. Gk *PAN*(*dektēs* f. *dekhomai* receive) all-receiver]

pāndēm'ic, a. & n. (Disease) prevalent over the whole of a country or over the world; ~, or **pāndēm'ian**, *VENUS*. [f. Gk *PAN*(*dēmos* people) + -ic]

pāndēmōn'ium, n. Abode of all demons; place of lawless violence or uproar; utter confusion. [mod. L (Milton) f. *PAN* + *DEMON*]

pān'der, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Go-between in clandestine amours, procurer; one who ministers to evil designs. 2. v.i. Minister (to base passions, evil designs); (v.t.) act as ~ to (person's) lust. [vb f. n. f. *Pandare*, character in Chaucer's *Troilus & Criseyde* & in Boccaccio. f. L f. Gk *Pandáros*]

pandit. See *PUNDIT*.

pāndōr'a, -*dōr'e*, n. Stringed instrument of either type. [It., f. L f. Gk *pandoura*, prob. of foreign orig.]

Pāndōr'a's bōx, n. The box in which Hope alone remained when by its rash opening all objects of desire were dispersed to play havoc among mankind. [Gk Myth., see Hesiod. *Op.*, 50-105]

pān'dour (-oor), -*oor*, n. (Pl.) force of rapacious & brutal soldiers raised by Baron Trenck in 1741 & afterwards enrolled in Austrian army. [f. Serbo-Croatian *pāndur* f. med. L *banderius* follower of a *BANNER*]

pāne', n. Single sheet of glass in compartment of window; rectangular division of chequered pattern etc. Hence ~*'LESS* (-nl-) a. [f. F *pan* f. L *pannus* piece of cloth]

pāne², v.t. Make up (garment etc.) of strips of different colours (chiefly in p.p.). [f. prec.]

pānēg'y'ric, n. & a. Laudatory discourse (*upon*); (adj.) laudatory. Hence ~*'AL* a. [f. F *panegyrique* f. L f. Gk *panēgūrikos* f. *PAN*(*ēgūris* = *agora* assembly), see -ic]

pān'ēg'y'ize, v.t. Speak, write, in praise of, eulogize. So **pānēg'y'rist** n. [f. Gk *panēgūrizō* (as prec., see -ize)]

pān'el¹, n. 1. Stuffed lining of saddle; kind of saddle. 2. Slip of parchment; list of jury; jury; || (Sc. Law) person(s) on trial, the accused; || list of the doctors registered in a district as accepting Insurance-Act patients (*on the* ~, so

registered). 3. Distinct compartment of surface, esp. of wainscot, door, etc., often sunk below or raised above general level. 4. Piece of stuff of different kind or colour inserted in woman's dress. 5. Large size of photograph, with height much greater than width. [ME & OF, f. med. L *pannellus* dim. as *PANE*¹]

pán'el², v.t. (-ll-). Saddle (beast) with panel; fit (wall, door, etc.) with panels; ornament (dress etc.) with panel(s). Hence ~ling¹(2) n. [f. prec.]

pāng, n. Shooting pain; sudden sharp mental pain. [?]

pāngōl'in (-ng-). n. Scaly ant-eater. [f. Malay *pang-goling* roller (from habit of rolling itself up)]

***pān'hāndle**, n. Narrow strip of one political division of a country extending between two others. [PAN¹]

pān'ic,¹ n. Genus of grasses including Italian millet. [f. L *panicum*]

pān'ic², a., n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Of terror) unreasoning, excessive. 2. n. Infectious fright, sudden alarm (e.g., in commerce) leading to hasty measures; ~monger, one who fosters a ~. 3. vb. Affect, be affected, with ~. Hence ~ky² a. (colloq.). [f. F *panique* f. Gk *panikos* of god Pan, reputed to cause ~]

pān'icle, n. (bot.). Loose irregular type of compound inflorescence, as in oats. [f. L *panicula*, dim. of *panus* swelling, ear of millet]

pānificā'tion, n. Bread-making. [F, f. L *panis* bread, see -FICATION]

pānjān'drum, n. Mock title of exalted personage; pompous official or pretender. [arbitrary]

|| **pānn'age**, n. (Right of, payment for) pasturage of swine; acorns, beech-mast, etc., as food for swine. [f. OF *pasnage* f. LL *pastionalicum* (pastio pasture f. *pasce* past-, -AGE)]

pānne, n. A soft long-napped cloth used as dress-material. [F, etym. dub.]

pānn'ier¹ (-nyer), n. 1. Basket, esp. one of those carried, usu. in pairs, by beast of burden or on the shoulders; covered basket for surgical instruments & medicines for ambulance. 2. Part of skirt looped up round hips. [f. F *panier* f. L *panarium* bread-basket (*panis* bread, see -ARY¹)]

|| **pānn'ier**² (-nyer), n. (colloq.). Robed waiter in Inner Temple. [?]

pānn'ikin, n. Small metal drinking-vessel; its contents. [f. PAN¹ + -KIN]

pān'opl'y, n. Complete suit of armour (often fig.). Hence ~ien² (-lid) a. [f. Gk PAN(*oplia* f. *hopla* arms)]

pānōp'ticon, n. Bentham's proposed circular prison with cells round warders' well in centre. [f. PAN- + Gk *optikos* of sight (*op-* see)]

pānōra'ma (-rah-, -rā-), n. Picture of landscape etc. arranged on inside of cylindrical surface or successively rolled out before spectator; continuous passing scene; unbroken view of surrounding region (often fig.). Hence **pānōrām'ic** a., **pānōrām'ically** adv. [f. PAN- + Gk *hōra* -rama view (*hōraō* see)]

pān-pipe(s), n. Musical instrument made of series of reeds. [Pan, Greek rural god, + PIPE]

pān'sy (-zī), n. 1. Wild & garden plant with flowers of various colours, heart-ease. 2. (colloq.). (Also ~ boy) effeminate youth, homosexual. [f. F *pensee* thought, pansy, f. *penser* think f. L *pensare* frequent. of *pendere* pens- weigh]

pānt, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Gasp for breath; (fig.) yearn (for, after, thing, to do); throb violently; utter gaspingly. 2. n. Gasp, throb. [n. f. vb, prob. cogn. w. OF *pantoisier* pant f. pop. L *phantasiare* be oppressed with nightmare (as PHANTASY)]

pant- in comb. = PANTO- before vowels.

pāntagrū'elism (-ōō-), n. Extravagant coarse humour like that of Pantagruel, a character in Rabelais. So **pāntagrū'elian** (-ōō-) a., ~ism n. [-ISM]

pāntalēt(te)s' (-ts), n. pl. Woman's drawers, cycling knickerbockers, etc. [f. foll., see -ETTE]

pāntalōon', n. 1. (P~). Character in Italian comedy wearing ~s; (now) clown's butt & abettor in pantomime. 2. (hist.; pl. or sing.). Garment of breeches & stockings in one piece, close-fitting breeches down to ankle as transition from knee-breeches to trousers. 3. (pl.; chiefly U.S., & being ousted by *pants*). Trousers. [f. F *pantalón* f. It. *pantalone*, Venetian character in Italian comedy, perh. f. *San Pantaleone*, favourite Venetian saint]

|| **pāntēch'nicon** (-kn-), n. Furniture warehouse (orig. name of a bazaar); ~ van (for removing furniture). [f. PAN- + Gk *tekhnikon* of art (*tekhne*, see -IC)]

pān'thēism, n. Doctrine that God is everything & everything God; heathen worship of all gods. So ~ism n., ~is'tic(al) a. [f. PAN- + Gk *theos* god + -ISM]

pān'thēon (or -ē'on), n. Temple dedicated to all the gods, esp. circular one at Rome; deities of a people collectively; building in which illustrious dead are buried or have memorials; building in London opened for public entertainment in 1772. [L, f. Gk PAN(*theon* holy f. *theos* god)]

pān'ther, n. Leopard; American ~, puma or cougar. Hence ~ess¹ n. [f. OF *panière* f. L *panthera* f. Gk *panthēr* etym. dub.]

pān'ties (-tīz), n. pl. (colloq.). Pants worn by children; close-fitting knickers worn by women. [dim. of PANTS; see -Y²]

pán'tile, *n.* Roof tile transversely curved to ogee shape, one curve being much larger than the other. [PAN¹ + TILE]

pántisóc'rácy, *n.* Community in which all are equal & all rule. [PANT- + ISO- + -CRACY]

panto- in comb. (before vowels *pant-*) = Gk *pas pantos* all, as: ~lo'gic, *pantol'ogy*, (of) universal knowledge; ~morph'ic, taking all shapes; ~pragmat'ic a. & n., (person) meddling in everything; ~scóp'ic, with wide range of vision.

pán'to/graph (-ahf), *n.* Instrument for copying plan etc. on any scale. Hence ~graph'ic a. [f. PANTO- + Gk -graphos writing]

pán'tomim'e, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. (hist.). Roman actor performing in dumb show, mimic actor. 2. || English dramatic performance ending with transformation scene followed by broad comedy of clown & pantaloons & dancing of harlequin & columbine. 3. Dumb show. 4. *vb.* Express (thing), express oneself, by dumb show. Hence or cogn. **pántomim'ic** a., ~ist(3) *n.* [f. L f. Gk PANTO(mimos) mimic]

pán'try, *n.* Room in which bread & other provisions or (*butter's, housemaid's, ~*) plate, table-linen, etc., are kept; ~man, butler or his assistant. [f. OF *paneterie* f. med. L *panetaria* bread-shop (*panis* bread, see -ARY¹)]

pánts, *n.* pl. (colloq.). (Chiefly U.S.) trousers; || (Shop) long tight drawers. [abbr. of PANTALOON]

pán'zer (-tser), *a.* & *n.* Armoured (~ *division, troops*); (*n.* pl., colloq.) ~troops. [G, = mail coat]

páp'p, *n.* (arch.). Nipple of woman's breast; corresponding part of man; (pl.) conical hilltops side by side. [imit. of sound made by infant in feeding]

páp'p, *n.* Soft or semi-liquid food for infants or invalids; mash, pulp. Hence ~p'y¹ a. [imit., cf. prec.]

papa' (-ah), *n.* Father (used chiefly by children). [F f. L; imit.]

páp'acy, *n.* Pope's (tenure of) office; papal system. [f. med. L *papalia* (*papa* pope, -ACY)]

páp'al, *a.* Of the pope or his office. Hence ~ism(3), ~ist(2), *nn.*, ~ize(3) *v.t.* & *i.*, ~ly² *adv.* [F, f. eccl. L *papalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

papāv'erous, *a.* Like, allied to, the poppy. So **papāvera'**CEOUS (-āshus) a. [f. L *papaver* poppy + OUS]

papaw', *n.* (Fruit of) palm-like S.-Amer. tree of which stem, leaves, & fruit contain a milky juice that makes meat tender; *N.-Amer. tree with purple flowers & oblong edible fruit. [f. Sp. *papaya*, of Carib orig.]

páp'er¹, *n.* 1. Substance used for writing, printing, drawing, wrapping up parcels, etc., made of interlaced fibres of rags, straw, wood, etc.; *commit to ~*, write

down; *put pen to ~*, begin writing; negotiable documents, e.g. bills of exchange; (also ~ *money*) bank-notes etc. used as currency, opp. to coin, so ~ *currency* (cf. METALLIC); (sl.) free passes to theatre etc.; (pl.) documents proving person's or ship's identity, standing, etc.; *send in one's ~s*, resign; set of questions in examination; = NEWS~; essay, dissertation, esp. one read to learned society; ~ *war(fare)* (carried on in books or news~s); *on ~*, hypothetically, to judge from statistics, etc., as *on ~ he is the better man*, so (attrib.) ~ *profits* (hypothetical). 2. ~ *bag* *cookery*, method of cooking food of various kinds by enclosing it in buttered ~bag before putting it in moderately hot oven; ~chase, cross-country run in which a trail of torn-up ~ is laid by one or more runners to set a course for the rest; ~hangings, wall~, ~ for covering walls of room etc.; ~hanger, one who covers walls with these; ~knife (of ivory, wood, etc., for cutting open leaves of book etc.); ~mill (in which ~ is made); ~stainer, one who stains ~ or makes ~hangings; ~weight, small heavy object for securing loose ~s from being displaced. Hence ~Y² a. [f. OF *papier* f. PAPHYRUS]

páp'er², *v.t.* Enclose in paper; decorate (wall etc.) with paper; furnish with paper; (sl.) fill (theatre etc.) by means of free passes. [f. prec.]

papier **máché** (páp'yā másh'ā), *n.* Moulded paper pulp used for boxes, trays, etc. [F, = chewed paper]

papilioná'ceous (-yonāshus), *a.* (bot.). With corolla like a butterfly. [f. L *papilio* -onis butterfly, see -ACEOUS]

papill'a, *n.* (pl. -ae). Small nipple-like protuberance in a part or organ of the body; (Bot.) small fleshy projection on plant. Hence or cogn. **páp'illary¹**, **páp'illate²**, **páp'illous¹**, *aa.* [L, = nipple, dim. of PAPULA]

páp'ist, *n.* Advocate of papal supremacy; Roman Catholic (usu. in hostile sense). Hence **papis'tic(At)** *aa.*, **papis'tically²** *adv.*, ~*ry* *n.* [f. 16th-c. L *papista* (*papa* pope, see -IST)]

papōōse', *n.* N.-Amer.-Indian young child. [native]

papōōsh', -*ouche'* (-ōōsh), *n.* = BABOUCHE. [f. Pers. *paposh* (*pa* foot + *posh* covering)]

pápp'us, *n.* (bot.). Downy appendage on fruit of thistles, dandelions, etc. Hence **pápposef¹** a. [mod. L, f. Gk *pappos*]

páp'rika (-ē), *n.* Hungarian red pepper. [Hungarian]

páp'ūla, -*ūle*, *nn.* (pl. ~ae, ~es). Pimple; small fleshy projection on plant. Hence ~AE¹, ~OSE¹, ~OUS, *aa.* [L (-la)]

páp'yra'CEOUS (-shus), *a.* (nat. hist.). Of the nature of, thin as, paper. [f. PAPHYRUS, see -ACEOUS]

páp'yro- in comb. = Gk *papyrus* usu. in

sense 'paper', as: ~*graph*, apparatus for copying documents by means of paper-stencil; ~*graphy* (-ōg'), ~*type*, copying processes in which picture etc. is transferred from paper to zinc plate etc.

papyt'us, n. (pl. -ri). Aquatic plant of sedge family, paper reed; ancient writing-material prepared by Egyptians etc. from stem of this; (with pl.) MS. written on this. [L, f. Gk *papuros*]

pār¹, n. Equality, equal footing, esp. on a ~ (with); ~ of exchange, recognized value of one country's currency in terms of another's; (of stocks, shares, etc.) at ~, at face value, above ~, at a premium, below ~, at a discount; average or normal amount, degree, or condition, as on a ~, on an average, above, below, up to, ~; (Golf) the number of strokes a scratch player should require for a hole or course (calculated according to a formula & usu. less than the bogey figures). [L, a. & n., = equal(ity)]

pār², n. (colloq.). Paragraph.

para⁻¹ in comb. = Gk *para* in senses 'beside', 'beyond', 'wrong, irregular'; ~*mil'itary* a., having a status or function ancillary to that of military forces.

para⁻² in comb. = It. *para* imperat. of *parare* ward off, shelter, as *parasol*.

parāb'asis, n. (pl. -*basēs*). Part sung by chorus in Greek comedy, addressed to audience in the poet's name. [Gk, f. *PARA¹(bainō)* go aside, step forward]

pā'rab^{le}, n. Fictitious narrative used to typify moral or spiritual relations; allegory; (arch.) enigmatical saying, proverb; (arch.) *take up* one's ~, begin to discourse. [f. *PARABOLĒ*, as foll.]

parāb'ola, n. Plane curve formed by intersection of cone with plane parallel to its side. [f. L f. Gk *PARA¹(bolē)* throw, f. *ballō* placing side by side, comparison, parable, etc.]

parābōl'ic(al), aa. 1. (Usu. ~*ical*) of, expressed in, a parable, whence ~*ically* adv. 2. (Usu. ~*ic*) of, like, a parabola. [f. LL f. late Gk *parabolikos* (as prec., see -ic)]

parāb'oloid, n. Solid some of whose plane sections are parabolas, esp. (also ~ of *revolution*) that generated by revolution of parabola about its axis. [-oid]

parāch'ronism (-k-), n. Error in chronology. [f. *PARA⁻¹* + Gk *khronos* time + -ism]

pār'achute (-shōōt), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Umbrella-like apparatus for descending safely from a height, esp. from aircraft, (~ *flare*, one dropped by ~ to illuminate target area; ~ *mine*, large case containing explosive dropped from aircraft by ~; ~ *troops* (airborne troops landing by ~); natural or artificial contrivance serving this purpose. 2. vb. Convey, descend, (as if) by means of ~. Hence **pār'achutist** (-shōōt-) n., user of ~, (pl.) ~ troops. {F (*PARA⁻²* + *chute* fall)}

pār'acrēte, n. Advocate (as title of the Holy Spirit, see *John* xiv. 16, 26, etc.). [f. *F paraclet* f. L f. Gk *PARA¹(klētos* f. *kaleō* call)]

parādē¹, n. 1. Display, ostentation, esp. *make a ~* of (one's virtues etc.). 2. Muster of troops for inspection, esp. one held regularly at set hours; ground used for this. 3. Public square or promenade (often as name of street). [F, = show, f. It. *parata* f. L *parare* prepare, furnish, see -ADE]

parādē², v.t. & i. Assemble (troops) for review or other purpose; display ostentatiously; march through (streets etc.) with display. (Intr.) march in procession with display. [f. prec.]

pār'adigm (-lm), n. Example, pattern, esp. of inflexion of noun, verb, etc. So **pār'adigmāt'ic** (-ig-) a. [f. *F paradigme* f. L f. Gk *paradeigma* f. *PARA¹(deiknumi)* show, see -M]

pār'adise, n. (Also *earthly* ~) garden of Eden; heaven; region, state, of supreme bliss; *FOOL's* ~; park in which animals are kept; *bird* of ~. Hence or cogn. **pār'adisā'ic(al)** [irreg. on *Mosaic* etc.], **pār'adis'ēan**, **pār'adis'iac(al)**, **pār'adis'ial**, **pār'adis'ian**, **pār'adis'ic(al)**, aa. [f. *F paradis* f. L f. Gk *paradeisos* f. OPers. *pairīdāeza* park (*pairi* around + *dāz* mould)]

pār'adōs (or -dō), n. Elevation of earth behind fortified place to secure from reverse attack or fire, esp. the mound along back of trench. [f. (*PARA⁻²* + *dōs* back f. L *dorsum*)]

pār'adox, n. Statement contrary to received opinion; seemingly absurd though perhaps really well-founded statement; self-contradictory, essentially absurd, statement; person, thing, conflicting with preconceived notions of what is reasonable or possible; *HYDROSTAT* ~. Hence or cogn. ~*er*¹(3), ~*ist*(3), ~*icāl'ity*, ~*x*¹, nn., **pār'adōx'ical** a., **pār'adōx'icaly²** adv. [f. L f. Gk *paradoxon* neut. adj. (*PARA⁻¹* + *dōxa* opinion)]

pār'adōx'ūre, n. Palm-cat, animal with remarkably long curving tail. [f. Gk *paradoxos* (see prec.) + *oura* tail]

pār'rafin, n., & v.t. Colourless tasteless inodorous oily & waxy substance got by distillation from petroleum & shale & used for making candles etc. (~ *wax*, solid ~ obtained by distillation from petroleum; *liquid* ~, odourless tasteless mild laxative); || (also ~ *oil*) oil so obtained & used as illuminant or lubricant; (v.t., treat with ~. [f. L *parum* little + *affinis*, from small AFFINITY it has for other bodies])

pār'agō'ge (-ji), n. (gram.). Addition of letter or syllable to a word. Hence **pār'agō'gic** a. [L, f. Gk *paragōgē* leading past (*PARA⁻¹* + *agōgē* f. *agō* lead)]

pār'agon, n., & v.t. Model of excellence; supremely excellent person or thing, model (of virtue etc.); perfect diamond of

more than 100 carats; (v.t., poet.) compare (thing with). [OF, f. It. *paragone*, etym. dub.]

pá'ragraph (-ahf, -áf), n., & v.t. 1. Distinct passage or section in book etc., marked by indentation of first line; symbol (usu. ¶) formerly used to mark new ~, now as REFERENCE mark; detached item of news etc. In newspaper, without heading, whence ~ER¹(3), ~IST¹(3), ~Y¹, nn. 2. v.t. Write ~ about (person, thing), arrange (article etc.) in ~s. Hence **páragraph**'ic a., **páragraph**'ically adv. [f. F *paragraphe* f. LL f. Gk *PARA*¹(*graphos* f. *graphō* write) short stroke marking break in sense]

pá'raguay (-gwā, -gwi), n. = MATÉ. [name of S.-Amer. river & republic]

párahēl'iot'ropism, n. Tendency in plants to turn leaves parallel to incidence of light-rays. So ~otróp'ic a. [PARA-¹ + HELIOTROPISM]

pá'rakeet, **pá'roquet** (-kôt), n. Small (esp. long-tailed) kinds of parrot. [f. OF *parroquet* prob. f. It. *parrochetto* dim. of *parroco* parson, or f. It. *parrucchetto* dim. of *parrucca* peruke]

pá'rakite, n. 1. Kite acting like parachute. 2. Tailless kite for scientific purposes. [1. f. PARACHUTE + KITE. 2. PARA-¹]

páralip'sis, -leip'sis (-li-), n. Trick of securing emphasis by professing to omit all mention of subject, e.g., *I say nothing of his antecedents, how from youth upwards etc.* [f. Gk *PARA*¹(*leipsis* f. *leipō* leave) passing over]

pá'rall'ax, n. (Angular amount of) apparent displacement of object, caused by actual change of point of observation. So ~ác'tic a. [f. F *parallaxe* f. Gk *parallaxis* change f. *parallassō* (PARA-¹ + *allassō*)]

pá'rallēl¹, a. & n. 1. (Of lines etc.) continuously equidistant, (of line) having this relation to; ~bars, pair of ~bars supported on posts for gymnastic exercises; ~ruler, two rulers connected by pivoted cross-pieces, for drawing ~lines; (fig.) precisely similar, analogous, or corresponding. 2. n. ~ (of latitude), each of the ~circles marking degrees of latitude on earth's surface in map, as the 49th ~; (Mil.) trench ~ to general face of works attacked; person, thing, precisely analogous to another; ~position; comparison, as *draw a ~ between* (two things); two ~lines (||) as REFERENCE mark. [f. F *parallèle* f. L f. Gk *parallēlos* (PARA-¹ + *allēlos* one another)]

pá'rallēl², v.t. (-l-). Represent as similar, compare, (things, one with another); find, mention, something parallel or corresponding to; be parallel, correspond, to. [f. prec.]

párallelēp'ipēd (or -ēpip'id), n. Solid contained by parallelograms. [f. Gk *parallēlepipēdon*, as *PARALLĒL*¹ + *EPH*(*pedon* ground) plane surface]

pá'rallēlism, n. Being parallel (lit. or fig.); comparison or correspondence of successive passages, esp. in Hebrew poetry. [f. Gk *parallēlismos* f. *parallēlō* place side by side (as *PARALLĒL*¹, see -IZE)]

párallēl'og'ram, n. Four-sided rectilinear figure whose opposite sides are parallel; ~ of forces, (~ illustrating) theorem that if two forces acting at a point be represented in magnitude & direction by two sides of a ~, their resultant is represented by a diagonal drawn from that point. [f. F *parallélogramme* f. Gk *parallēlogrammon* (as *PARALLĒL*¹ + *grammē* line)]

parāl'og'ism, n. Illogical reasoning (esp. of which reasoner is unconscious cf. SOPHISM); fallacy. So ~ize(2) v.i. [f. F *paralogisme* f. LL f. Gk *paralogismos* f. *paralogizomai* f. *PARA*¹(*logos* reason) contrary to reason]

pá'ralý'se (-z), v.t. Affect with paralysis; (fig.) render powerless, cripple. Hence ~A'TION n. [prob. f. F *paralyser*, as foll.]

parāl'ýsis, n. Nervous affection marked by impairment or loss of motor or sensory function of nerves; (fig.) state of utter powerlessness. [L f. Gk *paralysis* f. *PARA*¹(*luō* loose) disable]

páralýt'ic, a. & n. (Person) affected with paralysis (lit. or fig.). Hence ~ically adv. [f. F *paralytique* f. L f. Gk *paralytikos* (as prec., see -IC)]

pára|mágnēt'ic, a. Capable of being attracted by poles of magnet (cf. DIAMAGNETIC). So ~mágnétism n. [PARA-¹ + MAGNETIC]

páramatt'a, n. Light dress fabric of merino wool & silk or cotton. [f. *Par(r)amatta*, town in New S. Wales]

parám'éter, n. (math.). Quantity constant in case considered, but varying in different cases. [f. PARA-¹ + Gk *meiron* measure]

pá'ramō, n. (pl. ~s). High treeless plateau in tropical parts of S. America. [f. Sp. *paramo*, prob. of native orig.]

pá'ramount, a. Supreme; lord, lady, ~ (in supreme authority); pre-eminent, as of ~importance; superior (to). Hence ~CY n., ~LY² adv. [f. AF *paramont* f. OF *par* by + *amont* above f. L *ad montem* to the hill]

pá'ramour (-oor), n. (rhet.). Illicit partner of married man or woman. [f. OF *par amour* by love]

par'äng (pah-), n. Malay heavy sheath-knife. [Malay]

páranoi'a, -noe'a (-nōa), n. Mental derangement, esp. when marked by delusions of grandeur etc. [Gk (-*noia*) f. *PARA*¹(*noos* mind) distracted]

pá'rapēt, n. Low wall at edge of balcony, roof, etc., or along sides of bridge etc.; (Mil.) defence of earth or stone to conceal & protect troops, esp. mound along front of trench (cf. *parados*). Hence ~ED² a. [f. It. *PARA*¹(*petto* breast f. L *pectus*)]

pá'ráph, n. Flourish after a signature, orig. as precaution against forgery. [f. F *paraphe* f. mod. L *paraphus* for *paragaphus* PARAGRAPH]

páraphérnāl'ia, n. pl. Personal belongings; mechanical accessories, appointments, etc.; (formerly) articles of personal property that law allowed married woman to keep & treat as her own. [L, neut. pl. adj. f. L f. Gk *PARA'*(*pherna* f. *phernē* dower), see -AL]

pá'raphrāse (-z), n., & v. t. 1. Free rendering or amplification of a passage, expression of its sense in other words; any of a collection of metrical ~s of passages of Scripture used in Church of Scotland etc. 2. v. t. Express meaning of (passage) in other words. So **páraphrās'tic** a., **páraphrās'tically** adv. [(n.) F, f. L f. Gk *paraphrasis* f. *PARA'*(*phrasō* toll); (vb) f. F *paraphraser*]

páraplē'gía, n. Paralysis of lower limbs & part or whole of trunk. So ~ic a. [Gk (-ē-) f. *PARA'*(*plēssō* strike)]

pá'rasāng, n. Ancient-Persian measure of length, about 3½ miles. [f. L (-ga) f. Gk *parasanges*, of Pers. orig.]

páraselēn'ē, n. (pl. -ae). Bright spot on lunar halo, mock-moon. [*PARA'*- + Gk *selēnē* moon]

pá'rasitē, n. Interested hanger-on, toady; animal, plant, living in or upon another & drawing nutriment directly from it (cf. COMMENSAL); (loosely) plant that climbs about another plant, wall, etc. Hence or cogn. **párasit'ic**(AL) aa., ~ISM(2), ~OL'OGY, nn. [f. L f. Gk *PARA'*(*sitos* food)]

párasit'icide, n. Agent that destroys parasites. [as prec. + -CIDE]

pá'rasitize, v. t. Infest as a parasite (chiefly in p.p.). [as prec. + -IZE]

párasōl' (or *pá'r-*), n. Sunshade. [F, f. It. *PARA'*(*sole* sun f. L *sol*)]

párasyn'thēsis, n. (philol.). Derivation from a compound. So **párasynthē'tic** a. [*PARA'*- + SYNTHESIS]

páratā'is, n. (gram.). Placing of clauses etc. one after another, without words to indicate co-ordination or subordination. So **páratāc'tic** a., **páratāc'tically** adv. [f. Gk *PARA'*(*taxis* arrangement f. *tassō*)]

pá'ratrōp's, n. pl. Airborne troops landing by parachute (~er, one of these). [*PARA*(CHUTE) TROOP]

páratýph'oid, n. Kinds of fever resembling typhoid, but caused by different bacteria. [*PARA'*-]

pá'ravāne, n. Torpedo-shaped device towed at a depth regulated by its vanes or planes to cut the moorings of submerged mines. [*PARA'*-]

párb'oil, v. t. Boil partially; (fig.) overheat. [f. OF *parboillir* f. LL *PER*(*bullire* boil) boil thoroughly, by confus. w. *part*]

párb'ickle, n., & v. t. 1. Rope for raising or lowering casks & cylindrical objects,

the middle being secured at the upper level, & both ends passed under & round the object & then hauled or let slowly out. 2. v. t. Raise (up) or lower (down) thus. [?]

pár'cel¹, n. & adv. 1. (Arch.) part, esp. *PART*¹ & ~; piece of land, esp. as part of estate; goods etc. wrapped up in single package; ~ *post*, branch of postal service concerned with ~s; (Commere.) quantity dealt with in one transaction. 2. adv. (arch.). Partly, as ~ *blind*, *drunk*; ~ *gilt*, partly gilded, esp. (of cup etc.) with inner surface gilt. [f. F *parcelle* f. L *'particella*, dim. as *PARTICLE*]

pár'cel², v. t. (-ll-). Divide (usu. *out*) into portions; (Naut.) cover (caulked seam) with canvas strips & pitch, wrap (rope) with canvas strips. [f. prec.]

pár'celling, n. In vbl senses, esp. (Naut.) strip of canvas, usu. tarred, for binding round rope. [-ING¹]

pár'cénary, n. Joint heirship. [f. AF *parcenarie* = OF *parçonerie* (as foll., see -ERY)]

pár'cēner, n. Coheir. [AF, = OF *parçonier* f. mod. L *partitionarius* (PARTITION, -ER²)]

párch, v. t. & i. Roast (pease etc.) slightly; (of sun, thirst, etc.) make (person etc.) hot & dry; become hot & dry. [?]

párch'ment, n. Skin, esp. of sheep or goat, prepared for writing, painting, etc.; manuscript on this; ~like skin, esp. husk of coffee-bean. Hence ~Y² a. [f. F *parchemin* f. L *pergamena* (*charta* paper) of Pergamum, city in Asia Minor]

|| **párd**¹, n. (arch.). Leopard. [OF, f. L f. Gk *pardos*]

***párd**², n. (sl.). Partner. [abbr.]

párd'on¹, n. Forgiveness; (Ecc.) = INDULGENCE, festival at which this is granted; (Law) remission of legal consequences of crime; *general* ~ (for offences generally, or to number of persons not named individually); courteous forbearance, esp. *I beg your* ~ (apology for thing done, for dissent or contradiction, or for not hearing or understanding what was said). [f. OF *perdon*, as foll.]

párd'on², v. t. Forgive (person, offence, person his offence); make allowance for, excuse, (person, fault, person for doing). So ~ABLE a., ~ABLENESS n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. OF *pardon* f. LL *PER*(*donare* give) concede, remit]

párd'oner, n. (hist.). Person licensed to sell papal pardons or indulgences. [*PARDON*¹ + -ER²]

páre, v. t. Trim (thing) by cutting away irregular parts etc.; cut away skin, rind, etc. (of fruit etc.); ~ (nails etc.) *to the quick* (so deep as to reach sensitive parts); (fig.) diminish little by little (often *away*, *down*); *shave*, *cut*, *off*, *away*, (edges etc.). Hence **páre'**(2), **pá'ring**¹(1, 2), nn. [f. F *parer* f. L *parare* prepare]

parégô'ric, a. & n. ~ (*elizir*), camphorated tincture of opium flavoured with aniseed & benzoic acid. [f. LL f. Gk *parēgorikos* soothing (PARA-¹ + *agorōs* speaking f. *agora* public assembly)]

pareir'a (-āra), n. Drug from root of Brazilian shrub, used in urinary disorders. [f. Port. *parreira* vine trained against wall]

parēn'chym'a (-ngk-), n. (Anat.) proper substance of gland, organ, etc., as distinguished from flesh & connective tissue; (Bot.) tissue of cells of about equal length & breadth placed side by side (cf. PROSENCHYMA), usu. soft & succulent, found esp. in softer parts of leaves, pulp of fruits, etc. Hence ~AL, **parēnchym'a-tous**, aa., (-ngk-). [f. Gk *paregkhuma* something poured in beside (PARA-¹ + *egkhuma* f. *egkheō* pour in f. *en* in + *kheō* pour)]

par'ent, n. Father or mother; forefather, esp. our first ~s, Adam & Eve; animal, plant, from which others are derived, (often attrib., as the ~ bird, tree); (fig.) source, origin, (of evils etc.). So **parēn'tal** a., **parēn'tally** adv., ~HOOD (-t-h-) n. [OF, f. L *parens* (*parere* beget, see -ENT)]

par'entage, n. Descent from parents, lineage, as his ~ is unknown. [F, as prec., see -AGE]

parēn'thesis, n. (pl. -thesēs). Word, clause, sentence, inserted into a passage to which it is not grammatically essential, and usu. marked off by brackets, dashes, or commas; (sing. or pl.) round brackets () used for this; (fig.) interlude, interval. [med. L, f. Gk *parenthesis* f. *parentithēmi* put in beside (PARA-¹ + EN-²) + *tithēmi* place)]

parēn'thēsize, v.t. Insert (words etc., or abs.) as parenthesis; put between marks of parenthesis. [f. prec., see -IZE]

pārenthēt'ic, a. Of, inserted as a, parenthesis; (fig.) interposed. Hence ~AL a., ~ally adv. [f. med. L *parentheticus* (as PARENTHESIS, see -ETIC)]

parērg'ōn, n. (pl. -erga). By-work, work apart from one's main employment. [L, f. Gk *parergon* (PARA-¹ + *ergon* work)]

pā'rēsis, n. (med.). Partial paralysis, affecting muscular motion but not sensation. So **parē'tic** a. [f. Gk *pareisis* f. *pariēmi* let go (PARA-¹ + *hiēmi* let go)]

par excellence (see Ap.), adv. By virtue of special excellence, above all others that may be so called, as *Mayfair was the fashionable quarter* ~. [F]

pār'gēt (-j-), v.t., & n. 1. Plaster (wall etc.). 2. n. Plaster. [prob. f. OF *pargeter*, por-, f. L *pro* (juncture = *jacere* frequent, of *jacere* jact-throw)]

parhēl'ion (-lyon), n. (pl. ~ia). Spot on solar halo at which light is intensified, mock sun. Hence ~i'AL, ~IC, aa. [f. L f. Gk *parēlion* (PARA-¹ + *hēlios* sun)]

pār'iah (or **pā**), n. Member of a low caste

in S. India; member of low or no caste; (fig.) social outcast; ~dog, yellow vagabond dog of low breed in India etc. [f. Tamil *paraiyar* pl. of *paraiyan* drummer (*parai* drum)]

Pār'ian, a. & n. 1. Of the island of Paros, famed for white marble. 2. n. Fine white kind of porcelain. [f. L *Parius* of Paros + -AN]

pari'etal, a. Of the wall of the body or of any of its cavities; ~ bones, pair forming part of sides & top of skull; (Bot.) of the wall of a hollow structure etc. [f. L *parietal* f. L *parietalis* (*paries* -etis wall, see -AL)]

pari mūt'ūl (puhrē), n. Form of betting in which winners divide losers' stakes (less a percentage for management). [F, = mutual stake]

pār'i pās's'ū, adv. With equal pace; simultaneously & equally. [L]

Pār'is, n. Capital of France; ~ blue, kinds of pigment; ~ doll, dressmaker's lay figure; ~ green, poisonous chemical used as pigment & insecticide; ~ white, fine whitening used in polishing.

pār'ish, n. Subdivision of county, having its own church & clergyman; || (also civil ~) district constituted for administration of Poor law etc., as *go on the ~*, receive parochial relief; the inhabitants of a ~; ~ clerk, official performing various duties connected with the church, esp. (formerly) leading responses; || ~ council, local administrative body in rural civil ~; ~ LANTERN; ~ register, book recording christenings, marriages, & burials, at ~ church. [f. OF *paroche* f. LL *parochia* f. L f. Gk *paroikia* district round (a church) f. *paroikos* (PARA-¹ + *-oikos* -dwelling f. *oikeō* dwell)]

parish'ioner (-sho-), n. Inhabitant of parish. [f. OF *paroissien* (*paroisse* f. pop. L *parocia* as prec., see -AN) + -ER¹]

Par'i'sian (-zhan), a. & n. (Native inhabitant) of Paris. [f. F *parisien* f. med. L *parisianus* (*Parisi* Paris, see -AN)]

pārisyllāb'ic, a. (Of Gk & L nouns) having same number of syllables in nominative as in oblique cases of singular. [f. L *par* equal + SYLLABIC]

pā'rity, n. Equality, esp. among members or ministers of church; parallelism, analogy, as ~ of reasoning; (Commerce.) equivalence in another currency, being at PAR¹. [f. L *paritas* (as prec., see -TY)]

pār'k, n. 1. Large enclosed piece of ground, usu. with woodland & pasture, attached to country house etc.; enclosure in town ornamentally laid out for public recreation; || the P~, (now) Hyde P~, (formerly) St James's P~; large tract of land kept in natural state for public benefit. 2. (Space occupied by) artillery, stores, etc., in encampment; area assigned for motor-cars etc. to wait in. 3. *Oyster*~, enclosed area for oyster-

breeding, overflowed by sea at high tide. Hence *~ish*¹ a. [ME, f. OF *pare* f. WG **parruk*, whence OE *pearroc*, dial. *parrock*, RADDOK¹]

park², v.t. Enclose (ground) in or as park; (Mil.) arrange (artillery etc.) compactly in a park; leave (car etc.) in park. [f. prec.]

park'a, n. Skin jacket with hood attached, worn by Eskimos. [Aleutian]

|| **Park'hurst**, n. *~* (prison), a convict prison. [place]

|| **park'in**, n. (dial.). Cake of oatmeal & treacle. [?]

|| **park'y**, a. (sl.). Chilly (of air, morning, etc.). [?]

parl'ance, n. Way of speaking, as in common, legal, etc., *~*. [OF (*parler* speak f. LL *parabolare* talk, as PARABLE, see -ANCE)]

parl'ement (-mahñ), n. (hist.). French judicial court (abolished 1792). [F]

parlementaire¹ (-mahñtair), n. Bearer of a flag of truce. [F]

parl'ey¹, n. (pl. *~s*). Conference for debating of points in dispute, esp. (Mil.) discussion of terms, as *beat, sound, a ~*, call for it by drum or trumpet. [f. F *parler*, see PARLANCE]

parl'ey², v.i. & t. Discuss terms (*with enemy* etc.); speak (esp. foreign language). [f. or as prec.]

parleyvoo¹ (-liv-), n., & v.i. (joc.). 1. French; Frenchman. 2. v.i. Speak French. [f. F *parlez-vous* (français)? do you speak (French)?]

parliament (-lam-), n. 1. Council forming with the Sovereign the supreme legislature of United Kingdom, consisting of House of Lords (Spiritual & Temporal) & House of Commons (representatives of counties, cities, etc.); (of King) *open P~*, declare it open with ceremonial; corresponding legislative assembly in other countries; the *P~ Act*, that of 1911 depriving the Lords of their veto on money bills & making their veto on other bills merely suspensory; LONG¹ *P~* (met Nov. 3rd, 1640, dissolved March 1660); *Short P~* (sat from Apr. 13 to May 5, 1640). 2. (Also *~cake*) thin crisp cake of gingerbread. [f. OF *parlement* speaking (as PARLANCE, see -MENT)]

parliamentarian (-lam-), n. & a. 1. Skilled debater in parliament; adherent of Parliament in Civil War of 17th c. 2. adj. = foll. [foll., -AN]

parliamentary (-lam-), a. Of parliament (old *~ HAND*¹); || *~ agent* (charged with interests of party concerned in private legislation of Parliament); enacted, established, by Parliament; || *~ train* (formerly carrying passengers at rate not above *id.* per mile); (of language) admissible in Parliament, (colloq.) civil. [-ARY¹]

parl'our (-ler), n. Ordinary sitting-room

of family in private house; room in inn for private conversation; *~ boarder*, boarding-school pupil living in principal's family; *~ car*, luxuriously fitted railway carriage; || *~ maid*, maid who waits at table. [f. OF *parleur* f. med. L *parlatorium* (*parlare* talk, see PARLANCE & -ORY)]

par'lous, a. & adv. (arch., joc.). Perilous; hard to deal with; surprisingly clever etc.; (adv.) extremely. [= PERILOUS]

Parmesan¹ (-z-), a. & n. *~* (*cheese*), kind of cheese made at Parma & elsewhere. [F, f. lt. *parmegiano* of Parma]

Parnass'us, n. Mountain in central Greece, anciently sacred to Muses. So *~ian* a. & n., (esp., member) of a later 19th-c. school of French poets. [L, f. Gk *Parna(sos)*]

Parn'ellism, n. Policy of Irish Home-Rule party led by C. S. Parnell from 1880 to 1891. So *~ite*¹ n. [-ISM]

paroch'ial (-k-), a. Of a parish; (fig., of affairs etc.) confined to narrow area. Hence *~ism*, **paroch'ial'ity**, nn., *~ize*(3) v.t., *~ly*² adv., (-k-). [OF, f. LL *parochialis* (as PARISH, see -AL)]

par'odiy, n., & v.t. 1. Composition in which an author's characteristics are ridiculed by imitation; feeble imitation, travesty. 2. v.t. Make (literary work, manner, etc.) ridiculous by imitation. So *~ist*(3) n. [(vb f. n.) f. Gk *parōidia* (PARA-¹ + *ōidē* song, ODE)]

parole¹, n., & v.t. 1. (Also *~ of honour*, F *d'honneur* pr. *dōñer*) word of honour, esp. (Mil.) prisoner's promise that he will not attempt escape, or will return to custody if liberated, or will refrain from taking up arms against captors for stated period; *on ~*, (liberated) on this understanding; (Mil.) password used only by officers or inspectors of guard (cf. COUNTERSIGN). 2. v.t. Put (prisoner) on *~*. [(vb f. n.) F, = word, as PARABLE]

paronomas'ia (-zya, -sia), n. Word-play, pun. [L, f. Gk *paronomasia* (PARA-¹ + *onomasia* f. *onomazō* f. *onoma* name)]

paroquet. See PARAKEET.

parot'id, a. & n. 1. Situated near the ear, esp. *~ gland* (in front of ear, with *~ duct*, opening into mouth). 2. n. *~ gland*. [f. F *parotide* f. L f. Gk *parōtis*, -idos (PARA-¹ + *ōis* *ōlos* ear)]

parotit'is, n. Mumps. [f. prec. + -ITIS]

paroxysm, n. Fit of disease; fit (of rage, laughter, etc.). Hence **paroxys'mal** (-zm-) a. [f. F *paroxysme* f. L f. Gk *paroxusmos* f. *paroxunō* exasperate (PARA-¹ + *oxunō* sharpen f. *oxus* sharp)]

parox'ytone, a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Word) with acute accent on last syllable but one. [f. Gk *paroxutonōs* (PARA-¹ + OXY-TONE)]

parp'en, n. Stone passing through wall from side to side, with two smooth vertical faces. [f. OF *parpain*, etym. dub.]

parq'uet (-kit), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Wooden flooring of pieces of wood, often of different kinds, arranged in pattern. 2. *v.t.* Floor (room) thus. So ~RY(1) *n.* [F. = small compartment, floor, dim. of *parc* PARK]

párr, párr, *n.* Young salmon. [?]

párricide, *n.* 1. One who murders his father or near relative or one whose person is held sacred; person guilty of treason against his country. 2. Any of these crimes. So ~cid'AL *a.* [F, f. L (1) *parricida* (2) *-cidium*; etym. dub., see -CIDRE]

párrrot, *n.*, & *v.t.* Genus of birds, of which many species have beautiful plumage, & some can be taught to repeat words; person who repeats another's words or imitates his actions unintelligently; (*v.t.*) repeat (words, or abs.) mechanically, drill (person etc.) to do this, whence ~RY(4) *n.*; ~fish, kinds with brilliant colouring or mouth like ~s bill. [?]

párrry, *v.t.*, & *n.* 1. Ward off, avert, (wcapon, blow, awkward question). 2. *n.* Warding off. [f. F *parer* f. It. & L *parare* prepare]

pársē (-z, -s), *v.t.* Describe (word) grammatically, stating inflexion, relation to sentence, etc.; resolve (sentence) into its component parts & describe them. [prob. f. L *pars* part]

párs'éc, *n.* Unit of stellar distances, the distance at which a star would have a parallax of one second of arc, i.e. at which the mean radius of the earth's orbit subtends this angle. [f. PAR(ALLAX) + SEC(OND)]

Pársēe', *n.* 1. Adherent of ZOROASTRIANISM, descendant of Persians who fled to India from Mohammadian persecution in 7th & 8th cc., whence ~ISM(3) *n.* 2. Language of Persia under Sassanian kings. [f. Pers. *Parsi* Persian (*Pars* Persia)]

párs'im'oný, *n.* Carefulness in employment of money etc. or (fig.) of immaterial things; stinginess; *law* of ~ony (that no more causes or forces should be assumed than are necessary to account for the facts). So ~ón'IOUSA., ~ón'IOUSLY *adv.*, ~ón'IOUSNESS *n.* [f. L *parsimonia*, *parci-*, (*parcere pars* spare, see -MONY)]

párs'ley, *n.* Biennial umbelliferous plant with white flowers & aromatic leaves, used for seasoning & garnishing dishes. [(partly) thr. OF *peresil*] f. LL *petroselinum* f. L f. Gk *petroselinon* (*petra* rock + *selinon* parsley)]

párs'nip, *n.* (Plant with yellow flowers & pale yellow root used as culinary vegetable; *fine words* BUTTER *no* ~s. [ME *passenep*, ult. f. L *pastinaca* (*pastinum* digging-fork)]

párs'on, *n.* Rector; vicar or any beneficed clergyman; (colloq.) any clergyman; ~bird, New Zealand bird with dark plumage & white neck; ~s nose, rump of fowl etc. Hence párs'on'ic *a.* [ME &

OF *persone* f. L *persona* PERSON, (med. L) rector]

párs'onage, *n.* Rector's or other incumbent's house. [var. of PERSONAGE]

párt¹, *n.* & *adv.* 1. Some but not all of a thing or number of things, as (a) ~ of it was spoilt, (a) ~ of them have arrived, (a) great part of this is true, most ~ (the majority) of them failed. 2. Division of books etc., esp. as much as is issued at one time. 3. Portion of animal body; the (privy) ~s. 4. Each of several equal portions of a whole, as three ~s (quarters). 19 ~s (twentieths), take 3 ~s of sugar, 6 of flour, 2 of ground rice, etc. 5. Portion allotted, share, esp. have neither ~ nor lot (no concern) in; ART² & ~; person's share in action, his duty, as I have done my ~, it was not my ~ to interfere. 6. Character assigned to actor on stage; words spoken by actor on stage; copy of these; (fig.) play a noble, an unworthy, ~, behave nobly etc.; play a ~, act deceitfully. 7. (mus.). Melody assigned to particular voice or instrument. 8. pl. (arch.). Abilities, as a man of (good) ~s. 9. pl. Region (a stranger in these ~s). 10. Side in dispute. 11. ~ & parcel, essential ~; ~ of speech, each of the grammatical classes of words (noun, adjective, pronoun, verb, adverb, preposition, conjunction, interjection); for the most ~, in most cases, mostly; take ~, assist (in doing, in discussion etc.); take the ~ of, support, back up; for my ~, as far as I am concerned; in ~, partly; take (words, action) in good ~, not be offended at; on the ~ of, proceeding from, done etc. by, as there was no objection on my ~; ~owner, one who owns in common with others; ~song, song with three or more voices ~s, freq. without accompaniment, & harmonic rather than contrapuntal in character. 12. *adv.* In ~, partly (made ~ of iron & ~ of wood; a lie that is ~ truth). [OE, f. L *pars* partus]

párt², *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Divide (t. & i.) into parts, as the crowd ~ed & let him through, an islet ~s the stream, the cord ~ed (broke). 2. Separate (hair of head) with comb; separate (combatants, friends, etc.); ~ company, dissolve companionship (with); ~ brass rags with. 3. Quit one another's company, as let us ~ friends, the best of friends must ~; ~ from or with, say goodbye to; ~ with, give up, surrender, (property etc.). 4. (colloq.). ~ with one's money, pay, (if I know him, he won't ~). 5. (arch.). Distribute (thing) in shares. [f. F *partir* f. L *partiri* (prec.)]

pártake', *v.t.* & *i.* (-took, -taken). Take a share in; take a share (in or of thing, with person); take, esp. eat or drink some or (colloq.) all of, as he partook of our lovely fare, partook of a bun; have some (of quality etc.), as his manner ~s of insolence. [back formation f. *partaker* = part-taker]

|| **párt'an**, n. (Sc.). Crab. [Celt.]

párterre' (-tár), n. Level space in garden occupied by flower-beds; part of ground-floor of auditorium of theatre, behind orchestra. [F. = *par terre* on the ground]

partheno|gén'ésis, n. (biol.). Reproduction without sexual union. So ~**géné'tic** a. [f. Gk *parthenos* virgin]

Parth'ian, a. Of Parthia, ancient kingdom of W. Asia; ~ *shaft*, *glance*, etc., remark, glance, etc., reserved for the moment of departure, like missile shot backwards by flying ~ horseman. [-AN]

parti (párté'), n. Person regarded as eligible etc. in the marriage market (*is quile a, a desirable, an unsuitable*, ~); ~ *pris* (pré), preconceived view, bias. [F]

párt'ial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Biased, unfair; ~ *to*, having a liking for (person, thing); forming only a part, not complete, as a ~ *success*; ~ *eclipse* (in which part only of the luminary is covered or darkened). 2. n. (mus.). A ~ note; ~ *upper ~s*, higher notes more faintly heard than main note produced from string, pipe, etc. Hence ~**LY**² (-sha-) adv. [f. OF *partial* f. LL *partialis* (as PART¹, see -AL)]

párt'ial'ity (-shl-), n. Bias, favouritism; fondness (*for*). [f. OF *partialité* f. mod. L *partialitas* (as proc., see -TY)]

párt'ible, a. That can or must be divided (*among*); esp. of heritable property. [f. LL *partibilis* f. L as PART², -IBLE]

parti'cipâte, v.t. & i. Have share in (thing with person); have share (*in* thing with person); have something *of*, as his *poems ~ale of the nature of satire*. So ~**ANT**, **párticipa'tion**, ~**ãtor**², nn. [f. L *participare* (as PART¹ + *cip* = *cap*- st. of *capere* take)]

párt'iciple, n. Verbal adjective qualifying noun but retaining some properties of verb, e.g. tense & government of object. So ~**d** (-ld) a. (sl. substitute for *dummed* etc.), **párticip'ial** a., **párticip'ially**² adv. [OF, f. L *participium* sharing, participle, (as proc.)]

párt'icle, n. Minute portion of matter; smallest possible amount, as *has not a ~ of sense*; minor part of speech, esp. short indeclinable one; common prefix or suffix such as *un-*, *out-*, *-ness*, *-ship*. [f. L *particula* (PART¹, -CULE)]

párt'icoloured, **párt'y-**, (-lérld), a. Partly of one colour, partly of another. [prob. f. PARTY²]

pártic'ular, a. & n. 1. Relating to one as distinguished from others, special; *P ~ Baptists*, body holding doctrines of ~ *election* & ~ *redemption* (i.e. of only some of the human race); (Log., of a proposition) in which something is predicated of some, not all, of a class (opp. *universal*); one considered apart from others, individual, as *this ~ tax is no worse than others*; worth notice, special, as *look ~ trouble, for no ~ reason*; minute, as *full &*

~ account; scrupulously exact; fastidious (*about, what or as to what one eats etc.*); *in ~*, especially, as *mentioned one case in ~*. 2. n. Detail, item; (pl.) detailed account. Hence or cogn. ~**ITY** (-ã'r-) n., ~**LY**² adv. [f. OF *particular* f. L *particularis* (as PARTICLE, see -AR¹)]

pártic'ularism, n. Doctrine of PARTICULAR election or redemption; exclusive devotion to a party, sect, etc.; principle of leaving political independence to each State in an empire etc. So ~**IST** n. [-ISM]

pártic'ulariz'e, v.t. Name specially or one by one, specify, (often abs.). Hence ~**A'TION** n. [f. F *particulariser* (as PARTICULAR, see -IZE)]

párt'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: leave-taking (often attrib., as ~ *injunctions*); dividing line of combed hair; ~ *of the ways*, point at which road divides into two or more (often fig. of choice between courses). [-ING¹]

pártisãn'¹ (-z-), ~**zãn**, (or *pãt'*), n. 1. Adherent of party, cause, etc., esp. unreasoning one (often attrib., as *in a ~ spirit*). 2. (mil.). Member of light irregular troops employed in special enterprises (hist.); (in recent use) a guerrilla (applied orig. to Russians resisting in parts of their country occupied by the enemy). Hence ~**SHIP** n. [F, f. It. *partigiano* (*parte* PART, see -AN)]

párt'isan'² (-z-), ~**zan**, n. (hist.). Long-handled spear like halberd. [f. F *partisane* f. It. *partesana*, etym. dub.]

párt'ite, a. (bot., entom.). Divided (nearly) to the base. [f. L *partiri* -**IT**-PART²]

párt'ition, n., & v.t. 1. Division into parts; such part; structure separating two such parts, esp. slight wall, whence ~**ED**² (-shond) a.; (Law) division of real property between joint tenants etc. 2. v.t. Divide into parts; ~ *off*, separate (part of room etc.) by a ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *partitionem* (as proc., see -ION)]

párt'itive, a. & n. (Word) denoting part of a collective whole (e.g. *some, any*); ~ *genitive*, that used to indicate a whole divided into parts, expressed in English by *of*. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *partitivus* (PARTITE, -IVE)]

Párt'lét, n. (arch.). Used as proper name for a hen, esp. *Dame ~*, also applied to women. [f. OF *Pertelote*, female proper name]

párt'lý, adv. With respect to a part; in some degree. [-LY²]

párt'ner, n., & v.t. 1. Sharer (*with* person, *in* or *of* thing); person associated with others in business of which he shares risks & profits; || **SLEEP'ing ~**; || **pre-dominant ~**, England (among constituents of United Kingdom); wife, husband; companion in dance; player associated with another in bridge, tennis, etc.;

(Naut., pl.) timber framework round hole in deck through which mast, pump, etc., pass. 2. v.t. Associate (persons, one with another) as ~s, (also) be ~ of. Hence ~LESS a., ~SHIP n. [prob. var. of *parcener*, see CO-PARCENER]

part'ridge, n. Kinds of game-bird, esp. *Common* or *Grey P*~; ~wood, hard red wood used for cabinet work etc., (also) speckled effect produced on wood by certain fungus. [ME *pertrich*, ult. f. L f. Gk *peritric* -dikos]

partūr'ient, a. About to give birth (often fig. of the mind etc.). [f. L *parturire* be in labour (*parēre* part- bear), see -ENT]

partūr'i'tion, n. Childbirth (also fig.). [f. L *parturitiō*, as prec., see -ION]

partūr'i'tunt mōn'tēs (-z) (, nōscēt'ār-
ridle'ālis mūs), sent. (As comment on fresco) the mountains are in labour (, the product a poor mouse). [Hor., A.P. 139]

part'y, n. 1. Body of persons united in a cause, opinion, etc.; system of taking sides on public questions; ~ *spirit*, zeal for a ~, so ~-spirited; body of persons travelling or engaged together, as *fishing*, *reading*, ~; social gathering, esp. of invited guests at private house, as *dinner*, *tea*, ~. 2. Each of the two or more persons making the two sides in legal action, contract, marriage, etc.; accessory (to action); (now vulg. or joc.) person, as *an old ~ with spectacles*. 3. ~-coloured, see PARTICOLOURED; ~-wall, wall shared by each of the occupiers of the two buildings etc. that it separates. [f. F *partie* (*partir* f. L as PART²)]

part'y, a. (her.). Divided into parts of different tinctures. [f. F *parti*, as prec.]

parv'enu (-ōb, & see Ap.), n. Person of obscure origin who has gained wealth or position, upstart, (often attrib.). [F, p.p. of *parvenir* arrive f. L *PER*(*venire* come)]

parv'is, n. Enclosed area in front of cathedral, church, etc. [F. f. OF *parc* (v)is f. L *paradisus* PARADISE, court in front of St Peter's, Rome]

pas (pah), n. Precedence, esp. *dispute*, *give*, *take*, *the* ~: step in dancing, as ~ *seul* (sūl, & see Ap.), ~ *de deux* (dedō', & see Ap.), dance for one, two. [F, =step]

pāsch'al (-k-), a. Of the Jewish Passover; of Easter. [f. F *pascal* f. LL *paschalis* (*pascha* f. Gk *paskha* f. Heb. *pesakh* Pass-over f. *pasakh* pass over, see -AL)]

pasha, -cha, (pah'sha, pā'sha, pashah'), n. Turkish officer of high rank, e.g. military commander, governor of province, etc.; ~ of three, two, tails, of one tail, (of first, second, third, grade; from number of horse-tails displayed as symbol in war). [Turk. (-sha)]

pa'shalic, -ch-, (pah-; also pashah'), n. Jurisdiction of pasha. [f. Turk. *pashalik*]

pā'shm, n. Under-fur of hairy quadrupeds in Tibet etc., esp. that of goats as used for Cashmere shawls. [Pers., = wool]

pā'sque-flower (-skf-), n. Anemone with bell-shaped purple flowers. [orig. *passee-flower*, f. F *passifleur* (surpassing flower) w. assim. to obs. *Pasque* Easter (PASCHAL)]

pā'squināde, n. Lampoon, satire, orig. one affixed to public place. [f. It. *pasquinata* (*Pasquino*, statue at Rome on which Latin verses were annually posted, see -ADE)]

pass¹ (-ah-), v.i. & t. (p.p. ~ed or as adj. *past*). 1. intr. Move onward, proceed, (*along*, *down*, *over*, *on*, etc.); circulate, be current; ~ *for*, be accepted as; ~ (be currently known) *by the name of*; be transported from place to place; change (*into* something, *from* one state to another); die (now usu. ~ *hence*, ~ *from among us*, etc.); go by, as *saw the procession* ~, *time* ~es rapidly, *remarks* ~ unnoticed; come to an end, as *kingdoms & nations* ~; get through, effect a passage; go uncensored, be accepted as adequate; (of bill in Parliament, proposal, etc.) be sanctioned; (of candidate) satisfy examiner; happen, be done or said, as *I saw or heard what was* ~ing; adjudicate (*upon*); (of judgement) be given (*for* plaintiff etc.); (Cards) forgo one's opportunity, e.g. of making a bid, (also) throw up one's hand; ~ed *pawn* (Chess), pawn with no opposing pawn on its own or adjoining files. 2. trans. Leave (thing etc.) on one side or behind as one goes (*has* ~ed the chair, been chairman, president, mayor, etc.); ~ a *dividend*, not declare it; go across (sea, frontier, mountain range); (of bill) be examined & approved by (House of Commons etc.); reach standard required by (examiner, examination); ~ *MUSTER*¹; outstrip; surpass; be too great for, as *it* ~es my comprehension; transport (usu. w. prep. or adv.); move, cause to go, as ~ed his hand across his forehead, ~ your eye (glance) over this letter, ~ a rope round it, ~ (=hand) in one's CHECK'rs; (Football, Hockey, etc.) kick or hand or hit (ball) to player of one's own side (also abs.); cause to go by, as ~ (troops) in review; cause, allow, (measure in Parliament, candidate for examination, etc.) to proceed after scrutiny; spend (*time*, *the winter*, etc.); hand round, transfer, as *read this & ~ it on*; give currency to (coin, esp. base coin); pledge (one's word, oath, etc.); utter (criticism, judicial sentence, *upon*); ~ the *TIME*¹ of day; ~ *water*, void urine. 3. Spec. senses w. adv. & prep.: ~ *away*, die, come to an end; ~ *by* (adv. or prep.), omit, disregard, walk etc. past; ~ *off*, (of sensations etc.) fade away, (of proceedings) be carried through (*without a hitch* etc.), (trans.) palm off (thing upon person for or as what it is not), distract attention from (awkward situation or allusion); ~ *out* (colloq.), die, become insensible as a result of drinking; ~ *over* (adv. or prep.),

omit, make no remark upon, as ~ *over his subsequent conduct*, ~ *it over in silence*; ~ *through*, experience; ~ *up*, refuse to have further dealings with, renounce. [f. F *passer* ¹, L *passus* ¹ *PACE* ¹]

pass² (-ah-), n. 1. Passing, esp. of examination; || (Univ.) attainment of standard that satisfies examiners but does not entitle to honours. 2. *Bring to ~*, accomplish, carry out; *come to ~*, happen. 3. Critical position, as *things have come to a (strange) ~*. 4. Written permission to pass into or out of a place, or to be absent from quarters (*on ~*, *away thus*); (usu. *free ~*) ticket authorizing holder to travel free on railway etc. 5. Thrust in fencing; juggling trick; passing of hands over anything, esp. in mesmerism; *make a ~ at* (sl.), make amatory advances to. 6. (Football etc.) transference of ball to another player of one's own side. 7. ~ *book*, book supplied by bank to person having current or deposit account, showing all sums deposited & drawn; ~ *key*, private key to gate etc. for special purposes, (also) master-key; || ~ *man*, one who takes ~ degree at university; ~ *word*, selected word or phrase distinguishing friend from enemy. [partly f. proc., partly f. F *passé* as prec.]

pass³ (-ah-), n. Narrow passage through mountains; (Mil.) such passage viewed as key to a country (*sell the ~*, fig., betray a cause); navigable channel, esp. at river's mouth; passage for fish over weir. [f. F *pas* ¹, L *passus* ¹ *PACE* ¹]

passable (-ah-), a. In vbl senses, esp. that can pass muster, fairly good, whence ~ *LY*² adv. [-ABLE]

passage¹, n. Passing, transit (BIRD of ~); transition from one state to another; liberty, right, to pass through; voyage, crossing, from port to port; right of conveyance as passenger by sea; passing of a measure into law; way by which one passes; corridor etc. giving communication between different rooms in house; (pl.) what passes between two persons mutually, interchange of confidences etc.; ~ (*of or at arms*), fight (often fig.): part of a speech or literary work taken for quotation etc. [F (as *PASS* ¹, see -AGE)]

passage², v.i. & t. (Of horse or rider) move sideways, by pressure of rein on horse's neck & of rider's leg on opposite side; make (horse) do this. [f. F *passager*, earlier *passéger* f. It. *passaggiare* (*passaggio* walk f. L *passus* ¹ *PACE* ¹)]

passant, a. (her.). Walking, & looking to dexter side, with three paws on ground & dexter fore-paw raised. [F, part. as *PASS* ¹]

passé (pás'á, & see Ap.), a. (fem. ~e). Past the prime, esp. (of woman) past the period of greatest beauty; behind the times. [F, p.p. as *PASS* ¹]

passémenterie (-smentrí, & see Ap.), n.

Trimming of gold or silver lace, braid, beads, etc. [F (*passement* gold lace etc. as *PASS* ¹, see -MENT & -ERY)]

pass'enger (-j-), n. Traveller in public conveyance by land or water or air; (colloq.) member of team, crew, etc., who does, or can do, no effective work; *foot-~*, traveller on foot; ~ *pigeon*, wild pigeon of N. America, capable of long flight (now rare or extinct). [ME & F (n. & a.) *passager* (PASSAGE, see -IER)]

passé-partout (pahspárt'oot'), n. Master-key; mount for photograph etc.; picture-frame (esp. for mounted photographs) consisting of two pieces of glass fastened together at edges with adhesive tape. [F, = pass everywhere]

pa'sser (-ah-), n. In vbl senses; ~ *by*, one who passes, esp. casually. [-ER¹]

pass'erine, a. & n. (Bird) of the order of *Passeres* or *Perchers*; of the size of a sparrow. [f. L *passer* sparrow + -INE¹]

pass'ible, a. (theol.). Capable of feeling or suffering. So ~ *INULTRY* n. [OF, f. LL *passibilis* (*pati* *pass-* suffer, see -BLE)]

pass'im, adv. (Of allusions, phrases, etc., to be found in specified author or book) in every part, as *this occurs in Milton* ~. [L, = scatteredly (*pandere* *pass-* spread)]

|| **passim'eter**, n. Automatic railway ticket-booking machine. [f. *PASS* ¹ (or *PASSENGER*) + -METER]

pa'ssing¹ (-ah-), n. In vbl senses; ~ *bell* (rung in moment of person's death); ~ *note* (not belonging to the harmony but interpolated to secure smooth transition). [-ING¹]

pa'ssing² (-ah-), a. & adv. In vbl senses, esp.: transient, fleeting; cursory, incidental; (adv., arch.) very (esp. ~ *rich*). [-ING²]

pa'ssion¹ (-shn), n. 1. Strong emotion; outburst of anger; sexual love; strong enthusiasm (*for* thing, *for* doing). 2. (*The P-*) sufferings of Christ on cross, (musical setting of) narrative of this from Gospels; ~ *play*, mystery-play representing Christ's P~; ~ *flower*, kinds of (chiefly climbing) plants, flower of which was supposed to suggest instruments of Christ's P~; P~ *Sunday*, fifth Sunday in Lent; P~ *Week*, week between P~ *Sunday* and *Palm Sunday*, (also) = *Holy Week*. Hence ~ *LESS* a., ~ *LESSLY*² adv., ~ *LESSNESS* n., (-sho-). [OF, f. L *passionem* (*pati* *pass-* suffer, see -ION)]

pa'ssion² (-shn), v.i. (poet.). Feel or express passion. [f. OF *passionner*, as prec.]

pa'ssional¹ (-sho-), n. Book of the sufferings of saints & martyrs. [f. med. L *passionale* neut. adj., as n. (as foll.)]

pa'ssional² (-sho-), a. Of, marked by, passion. [f. LL *passionalis* (as *PASSION* ¹, see -AL)]

pa'ssionate (-sho-), a. Easily moved to anger; dominated by, easily moved to, strong feeling; due to, (of language etc.)

showing, passion. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *passionatus* (as PASSION¹, see -ATE²)]

Pa'ssionist (-sho-), n. Member of an order pledged to do their utmost to keep alive the memory of Christ's Passion. [-IST]

pass'ive, a. & n. 1. Suffering action, acted upon; (Gram.) ~ voice (comprising those forms of transitive verbs that attribute the verbal action to the person etc. to whom it is directed, of. ACTIVE); offering no opposition, submissive; ~ RESISTANCE; not active, inert; ~ *debt* (on which no interest is paid). 2. n. (gram.), ~ voice or form of verb. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, passiv'ITY, nu. [f. L *passivus* (*pati* pass-suffer, see -IVE)]

pa'ssôver (-ah-), n. (P~) Jewish festival commemorating liberation of Israelites from Egyptian bondage (*Exod.* xii), held from 14th to 21st day of month Nisan; Paschal lamb, (fig.) Christ (1 *Cor.* v. 7). [f. *pass over*]

pa'sspôrt (-ah-), n. Document issued by competent authority permitting person specified in it to travel in the country & entitling him to protection; (fig.) thing that ensures admission, as *flattery* is the *sole* ~ to his favour. [f. F *passeport* (*passer* PASS¹ + PORT¹)]

past¹ (-ah-), a. & n. 1. As p.p. or adj. in vbl senses of PASS¹, esp.: gone by in time, as *his prime* is ~, *our ~ years*; just gone by, as *the ~ month*, for *some time* ~; (Gram.) expressing ~ action or state, as ~ *tense*, ~ *participle*; ~ *master*, one who has been master in guild, freemasons' lodge, etc., (also) thorough master (*in*, of, a subject). 2. n. ~ time, esp. *the* ~; what has happened in ~ time, as *cannot undo the* ~; person's ~ life or career, esp. one that will not bear inquiry, as *a woman with a* ~.

past² (-ah-), prep. & adv. 1. Beyond in time or place, as *stayed till ~ two o'clock*, *half ~ three*, *old man ~ seventy*, *ran ~ the house*; beyond the range or compass of, as ~ *endurance*, *bearing*, *praying* for. 2. adv. So as to pass by, as *hastens* ~. [prob. f. misuse of *am past* with object, *past* being then mistaken for prep., e.g. *I was now ~ the house*]

paste¹, n. Flour moistened & kneaded, with butter, suet, etc., as cooking material; kinds of sweet confection; relish of pounded fish, as *anchovy* ~; cement of flour & water; any soft plastic mixture; hard vitreous composition used in making imitation gems; ~board, stiff substance made by pasting together sheets of paper, (attrib., fig.) unsubstantial, flimsy, (sl.) visiting-card, railway-ticket. [OF, f. com.-Rom. *pasta* perh. f. Gk *pastê* (*pastos* sprinkled)]

paste², v.t. Fasten with paste; stick up (playbill etc.) on wall with paste; cover (thing with paper etc.) by pasting; (sl.) beat, thrash. [f. prec.]

pâs'tel, n. Woad; blue dye from this; dry paste made by compounding pigments with gum-water, used for crayons; drawing in ~, whence ~(LIST) n. [F, f. It. *pastello* woad, dim. of *pasta* PASTE¹]

pâs'tern, n. Part of horse's foot between fetlock & hoof. [f. OF *pasturon* f. OF *pasture* (perh. as PASTURE²)]

pâs'teurism (-ter-), n. Prevention or cure of diseases esp. hydrophobia by successive inoculations. [f. L *Pasteur*, French scientist (1822-1895) + -ISM]

pâs'teuriz'e (-ter-), v.t. Subject (milk etc.) to Pasteur's method of partial sterilization; treat by pasteurism. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

pâsti'ccio (-lohô), **pâstiche'** (-êsh), nn. Medley, esp. musical composition, picture, made up from various sources; (usu. -iche) literary or other work of art composed in the style of a known author. [F (-iche) f. It. (-iccio), f. *pasta* PASTE¹]

pâs'til, **pâstille'** (-tôl), n. Small roll of aromatic paste burnt as fumigator etc.; lozenge. [F (-lê), f. L *pastillum* small roll, etym. dub.]

pa'stime (-ah-), n. Recreation; game, sport. [f. PASS¹ + TIME]

pa'stor (-ah-), n. 1. Minister in charge of church or congregation, whence ~SHIP n.; person exercising spiritual guidance. 2. Kind of starling. [OF, f. L *pastorem* shepherd (*pascere* past- feed, see -OR²)]

pa'storal (-ah-), a. & n. 1. Of shepherds; (of land) used for pasture; (of poems etc.) portraying country life, whence ~ISM n.; of a pastor, as ~ *epistles* (of Paul to Timothy & Titus, dealing with pastor's work). 2. n. ~ play, poem, poetry, or picture; letter from pastor, esp. bishop, to clergy or people. Hence ~TRY (-âl') n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *pastoralis* (as prec., see -AL)]

pastora'lê (pahstorah-), n. (pl. -ali pr. -lê, or -ales). Simple opera etc. with rural subject; slow quiet instrumental composition with notes flowing in groups of three & usu. with drone notes in bass suggesting bagpipes. [It., as prec.]

pa'storate (-ah-), n. Pastor's (tenure of) office; body of pastors. [f. med. L *pastoratus* (as PASTOR, see -ATE¹)]

pâs'try, n. Baked flour-paste; articles of food made wholly or partly of this; II ~cook, one who makes ~, esp. for public sale. [prob. f. PASTE¹ + -RY]

pa'sturance (-ahscher-), n. Pasturing; herbage for cattle etc.: pasture-land. [OF, as foll., see -AGE]

pa'sture (-ah-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Herbage for cattle; (piece of) land covered with this. 2. v.t. Lead, put, (cattle) to ~; (of sheep etc.) eat down (grass-land); (of person) put sheep etc. on (land) to graze, whence pa'sTURABLE (-ahscher-) a. 3. v.i. Graze. [F, f. LL *pastura* (as PASTOR, see -URA)]

pa'stý¹ (pah-, pá-), *n.* Pie of meat, fruit, jam, etc. enclosed in paste & baked without dish. [f. OF *pastée* f. com.-Rom. *pasta* PASTE, cf. -ADE]

päs'tý², *a.* Of, like, paste; (also ~faced) of pale complexion. [-Y²]

pät¹, *n.* Stroke, tap, esp. with hand as caress etc.; small mass (esp. of butter) formed by patting; sound made by striking lightly with something flat. [prob. imit.]

pät², *v.t. & i. (-tt-)*. Strike (thing) gently with flat surface (~ball, || poor or feeble lawn tennis); flatten thus; ~a-cake, first words of nursery rhyme, connected child's game; strike gently with inner surface of fingers, esp. to mark sympathy, approbation, etc.; (fig.) ~ (person, oneself) on the back, express approbation of; beat lightly upon. [as prec.]

pät³, *adv. & a.* Apposite(ly), opportune(ly), as *story came ~ to his purpose*; ready for any occasion, as *has the story ~*; stand ~, (Poker) abide by hand dealt to one, not draw other cards, (fig.) refuse to change, stick to one's decision etc. [prob. as PAT¹]

Pät⁴, *n.* (Nickname for) Irishman. [abbr. of Patrick]

pätng'um, *n.* (zool.; pl. -ia). Wing-membrane of bat or similar animal. [L, f. Gk *patageion* gold edging on gown, etym. dub.]

pätavin'itý, *n.* Dialectal characteristics of Patavium (Padua) as seen in Livy's Latin; provincialism. [f. L *patavinus* (Patavinus of Padua, see -INE¹ & -ITY)]

pätch¹, *n.* 1. Piece of cloth, metal, etc., put on to mend hole or rent; piece of plaster etc. put over wound; pad worn to protect injured eye; *not a ~ on*, not comparable to, nothing to. 2. Small piece of black silk or plaster worn esp. in 17th & 18th cc. to show off complexion. 3. Large or irregular spot on surface. 4. Piece of ground; number of plants growing on this, as *a ~ of beans*. 5. Scrap, remnant. 6. Strike a bad ~, go through a period of bad luck; ~poeket (consisting of a piece of cloth sewn on garment); ~work, work made up of fragments of different kinds & colours (often fig. & attrib.). Hence ~ERY(1), ~INESS, nn., ~LY² adv., ~Y³ *a.* [ME, etym. dub.]

pätch², *v.t.* Put patch(es) on; ~ up, repair with patches; (of material) serve as patch to; (fig., usu. ~ up) repair, set to rights (matter, trouble, quarrel); (usu. ~ up) put together hastily; piece (things) together (lit. or fig.); appear as patches on (surface). [f. prec.]

pätch'ouli (-ööl-; also pächööl²), *n.* Odoriferous Indian plant; perfume got from ~. [native]

päte, *n.* (now colloq.). Head, often as seat of intellect. Hence -päi'ed⁴ *a.* [f]

päté (pät'ä, & see Ap.), *n.* Pie, patty; ~ de

foie gras (de fwah grab), pie etc. of fattened goose liver. [F, f. OF *pasté*, cf. PASTY]

patéll'a, *n.* (pl. -ae). Knee-cap, whence **patéll'ar¹**, **patéll'atr²**(2), *aa.*; (Rom. Ant.) small pan. [L, dim. as foll.]

pät'en, *n.* Shallow dish used for bread at eucharist; thin circular plate of metal. [f. OF *patene* f. L *patena*, -ina]

pät'ent¹ (or pä-), *a.* || Letters ~, open letter from sovereign etc. conferring right, title, etc., esp. sole right for a term to make, use, or sell, some invention; conferred, protected, by this: ~ LEATHER; ~ log, elaborated rotary form of ship's log, recording speed on dial fixed on taffrail; (fig.) to which one has proprietary claim; (colloq.) such as might be patented, ingenious, well-contrived; (of door etc.) open, (fig.) plain, obvious, whence **pät'ENCY** *n.*, ~LY² adv. [(partly thr. F) f. L *patere* lie open, see -ENT]

pät'ent² (or pä-), *n.* || = letters **PATENT³**; government grant of exclusive privilege of making or selling new invention; invention, process, so protected; (fig.) sign that one is entitled to something, possesses a quality, etc., as *a ~ of gentility*; ~ office (from which ~s are issued); || ~roll (containing ~s issued in Great Britain in a year). [short for *letters patent*]

pät'ent³ (or pä-), *v.t.* Obtain patent for (invention). [f. prec.]

patentee', *n.* Taker-out or holder of a patent, person for the time being entitled to the benefit of a patent. [-EE]

pät'er, *n.* (sl.). Father; *P~*, *peccavi*, = PECCAVI. [L, = father]

päterfamil'ias, *n.* (Rom. Law & joc.) head of family. [L]

patér'n'al, *a.* Of a father; fatherly; related through the father, as ~ *grand-mother*, father's mother; ~ *government*, legislation, etc. (that limits the freedom of the subject by well-meant needless regulations). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *paternus* (pater father), + -AL]

patér'n'itý, *n.* Fatherhood; one's paternal origin; (fig.) authorship, source. [f. F *paternité* f. L *paternitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

pät'ernös'ter, *n.* The Lord's Prayer, esp. in Latin; *black, white*, ~, forms of words said as charms etc.; *devil's* ~, muttered imprecation; bead in rosary indicating that ~ is to be said; ~ *line*, weighted fishing-line with hooks at intervals. [f. L *pater noster* our father]

path, *n.* (pahth, pl. pr. pahdhs). Footway, esp. one merely beaten by feet, not specially constructed (also ~way); track laid for foot or cycle racing, esp. *cinder* ~; line along which person or thing moves; ~finder, explorer, aircraft (or its pilot) sent ahead of bombers to guide them to their objective & mark out their targets. Hence ~LESS (-ah-) *a.* [com.-WG: OE *path*, Du. *pad*, G *pfad*]

Pathan' (-tahn), n. Member of the Afghan tribes settled in India or on its NW. frontier. [f. PUSHTOO]

pathét'ic, a. & n. Exciting pity or sadness; of the emotions (~ic fallacy, crediting nature with human emotion); (n. pl.) study of, indulgence in, demonstration of, these. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. LL f. Gk *pathētikos* (*path-*, root of *paskhō* suffer, see -ETIC)]

pāth'ic, n. = CATAMITE. [f. L f. Gk *pathikos* passive (PATHOS, -IC)]

pātho- in comb. = Gk *pathos* suffering, disease, passion, as: ~*gen'esis*, ~*geny* (-ōjē), production of disease, so ~*genét'ic*, ~*gēn'ic*, ~*genous* (-ōjē), aa.; ~*gnomōn'ic*, characteristic of particular disease; ~*gnomōn* (-ōgē), study of the emotions, so ~*gnom'ic* a.; *pathol'ogy*, science of (usu. bodily) diseases, so ~*lo'gical* a., ~*lo'gically* adv., *pathol'ogist* n.

pāth'ōs (or *pā-*), n. Quality in speech, writing, events, etc., that excites pity or sadness. [f. Gk *pathos* suffering, see PATH'IC]

-pathy, suf. repr. Gk *-patheia* suffering, feeling, in *homoiopatheia* suffering or feeling alike, extended to ALLOPATHY & (w. sense curative treatment) to other compounds as *hydro-*, *kinesi-*, *electro-*.

pā'tience (-shūs), n. 1. Calm endurance of pain or any provocation; perseverance; *have no ~ with*, be irritated by, be unable to endure, (person, his conduct, etc.); *out of ~ with*, no longer able to endure; *the ~ of Job*, the utmost limits of ~ (*would try the ~ of Job*). 2. Game of cards, usu. for one. 3. ~*dock*, kinds of plant. [OF, f. L *patientia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

pā'tient (-shunt), a. & n. 1. Having, showing, patience; ~ of, enduring with patience. (also) admitting of or compatible with (*the facts are ~ of two interpretations*). 2. n. Person under medical treatment. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF, f. L *pati* suffer, see -ENT]

pā'tin'a, n. Incrustation, usu. green, on surface of old bronze, esteemed as ornament; gloss produced by age on woodwork. Hence ~*ated* [-ATE²], ~*ous*, aa., ~*'tion* n. [f. F *patine* etym. dub.; L has *patina* dish]

pā'tiō (pah-), n. (pl. ~s). Inner court open to sky in Spanish or Span.-Amer. house. [Sp.]

pā'tois (-twah, & see Ap.), n. Dialect of common people in a district, differing materially from the literary language. [F, etym. dub.]

pā'triarch (-k), n. 1. Father & ruler of family or tribe; (pl.) sons of Jacob, (also) Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob, & their forefathers. 2. (In early & Eastern Churches) bishop, esp. of Antioch, Alexandria, Constantinople, Jerusalem, or Rome; (in R.-C. Church) bishop ranking next above primates & metropolitans. 3. Founder of

an order, science, etc.; venerable old man; the oldest living representative (of a class etc.). Hence **pā'triarch'al** (-k-) a. [f. OF *patriarche* f. L (-*cha*) f. Gk *patriarkhēs* (*patria* family f. *patēr* father + *-arkhēs* ruler)]

pā'triarchate (-k-), n. Office, see, residence, of ecclesiastical patriarch; rank of tribal patriarch. [f. med. L *PATRIARCHATUS* (-ATE¹)]

pā'triarch'y (-k-), n. Patriarchal system of society, government, etc. So ~ISM n. [f. Gk *patriarkhia* (as PATRIARCH, see -Y¹)]

patri'cian (-shn), n. & a. 1. Ancient Roman noble (cf. PLEBEIAN); member of a noble order in later Roman Empire; officer representing Roman Emperor in provinces of Italy & Africa; nobleman (cf. PLEBEIAN), esp. (hist.) in some Italian republics. 2. adj. Noble, aristocratic, esp. of the ancient Roman nobility. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. L *patricius* (*pater-tris* father, pl. senators, nobles) + -AN]

patri'ciate (-shi-), n. Patrician order, aristocracy; rank of patrician. [f. med. L *patricatus* (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

pā'tricide, n. Parricide (less correct & less usual than *parricide*, but occas. preferred in the narrower sense of murder(er) of one's father). Hence **pā'tricid'al** a. [PATER, -ICIDE]

pā'trimony, n. Property inherited from one's father or ancestors, heritage (often fig.); endowment of church etc. So **pā'trimōn'ial** a. [f. F *patrimoine* f. L *patrimonium* (*pater-tris* father, see -MONY)]

pā'triot, n. One who defends or is zealous for his country's freedom or rights. Hence or cogn. **pā'triōt'ic** a., **pā'triōt'ically** adv., ~ISM n. [f. F *patriote* f. LL (-*ta*) f. Gk *patriōtēs* (*patrios* of one's fathers f. *patēr-tris* father, see -OT²)]

pā'tris'tic, a. Of (the study of the writings of) the Fathers of the Church. [f. L *pater-tris* father + -IST + -IC]

pā'trōl', n., & v.i. & t. (-ll-). 1. Going the rounds of garrison, camp, etc.; perambulation of town etc. by police; detachment of guard, police constable(s), told off for this; detachment of troops sent out to reconnoitre; routine operational flight of aircraft. 2. vb. Act as ~; go round (camp, town, etc.) as ~. [n. (thr. F *patrouille*) & vb f. F *patrouiller*, orig. = paddle in mud, earlier *patouiller*, cf. OF *patoueil* pool]

pā'tron, n. One who countenances, protects, or gives influential support to (person, cause, art, etc.); (Shop) regular customer; (also ~ *saint*) tutelary saint; (Rom. Ant.) former owner of manumitted slave, (also) protector of a CLIENT: # one who has right of presentation to benefice. So **pā'troness**¹ n. [OF, = patron, PATERN, f. L *patronus* (*pater-tris* father)]

pā'tronage, n. Support, encouragement, given by patron; # right of presentation

to benefice or office, as *has a great deal of* ~ in his hands, (attrib.) P ~ *Secretary* (of the Treasury); patronizing airs; customer's support. [F (as prec., see -AGE)]

pät'ronäl, a. Of a patron saint (*the* ~ *festival* etc.). [-AL]

pät'roniz|e, v.t. Act as patron towards, support, encourage, (person, practice, etc.); treat condescendingly, whence ~ingly² adv. [-IZE]

pät'roným'ic, a. & n. (Name) derived from that of a father or ancestor. [f. L f. Gk *patrónymikos* f. *patrónumos* (*patér* -tros father + *ónoma* name), see -IO]

***patróon'**, n. (hist.). Possessor of landed estate with manorial privileges (abolished c. 1850) under Dutch governments of New York & New Jersey. [var. of PATRON]

pätt'en, n. Overshoe with wooden sole on iron ring etc., for raising wearer's shoes out of mud etc. [ME, f. F *patin*, etym. dub.]

pätt'er¹, n. Lingo of a profession or class; speechifying; rapid speech introduced into song; words of song, comedy, etc. [f. foll.]

pätt'er², v.t. & i. Repeat (prayers etc.) in rapid mechanical way; talk glibly. [f. PATERNOSTER]

pätt'er³, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make rapid succession of taps, as rain on window-pane; run with short quick steps; cause (water etc.) to ~. 2. n. Succession of taps. [f. PAT⁴ + -ER³]

pätt'ern, n., & v.t. 1. Excellent example, as *she is a* ~ of domestic virtues; (attrib.) perfect, ideal, model, (esp. of persons, as ~ wife, father); model from which thing is to be made; sample (of tailor's cloth etc.); decorative design as executed on carpet, wall-paper, cloth, etc.; marks made by shot from gun on target; ~ room, -shop, part of foundry etc. in which ~s are prepared. 2. v.t. Model (thing after, upon, design etc.), decorate with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. ME PATRON]

pätt'y, n. Little pie or pasty; ~pan (for baking ~ in). [f. F *pâté* PASTY¹]

pät'ülous, a. Open, expanded; (of boughs etc.) spreading. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *patulus* (*patère* be open) + -OUS]

pau'city, n. Smallness of number or quantity. [f. L *paucitas* (*paucus* few, see -TY)]

Paul, n. *Rob* PETER¹ to pay ~; ~ *Pry*, inquisitive person (character in comedy by J. Poole 1825).

Paul'ine, a. & n. 1. Of St Paul, as *the* ~ *epistles*. 2. n. || Member of St Paul's School in London. [-INE¹]

paulo-pöst-fü'ture, n. (Gk Gram.) tense expressing state resulting from future act, future-perfect; (joc.) immediate future. [L, =future a little after]

paunch, n., & v.t. 1. Belly, stomach; ruminant's first stomach; (Naut., perh.

diff. wd) thick strong mat, (*rubbing* ~) wooden shield on mast, to prevent chafing. 2. v.t. Disembowel. [f. ONF *panche* f. L *pantex* -icis]

paup'er, n. Person without means of livelihood, beggar; recipient of poor-law relief; person who may sue in⁴ *forma pauperis*. Hence ~dom, ~ism(2). ~iza²tion, nn., ~ize(3) v.t. [L, =poor]

pause (-z), n., & v.i. 1. Interval of inaction or silence, esp. from hesitation; *give* ~ to, cause (person) to hesitate; break made in speaking or reading; (Mus.) mark (~ or ~) over or under note or rest that is to be lengthened indefinitely. 2. v.i. Make a ~, wait; linger upon (word etc.). [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *pausa* f. Gk *pausis* (*paú* stop)]

päv'age, n. Paving; tax, toll, towards paying of streets. [F (as PAVE, see -AGE)]

päv'an, n. Stately dance in which dancers were elaborately dressed. [f. F *pavane* f. It. or Sp. *pavana*, etym. dub.]

päve, v.t. Cover (street, floor, etc.) with or as with pavement (often fig., as ~d with flowers, with good intentions); (fig.) ~ (prepare) the way (for, to, reform etc.). Hence **päv'er¹**, **päv'jour** (-vyer) [perh. after *saviour*], nn. [f. F *paver* f. L *pavire* beat, ram]

paré (päv'ä), n. Pavement; setting of jewels placed close together. [F, n.p. as prec.]

päve'ment (-vm-), n. Covering of street, floor, etc., made of stones, tiles, wooden blocks, asphalt, etc., || esp. paved footway at side of road (*crazy* ~, of irregular flat stones for garden paths etc.); || ~ *artist*, one who draws coloured figures on ~ to get money from passers-by; (Zool.) ~like formation of close-set teeth etc. [OF, f. L *pavimentum* (as PAVE, see -MENT)]

pavil'ion (-lyon), n., & v.t. 1. Tent, esp. large peaked one; light ornamental building, esp. one attached to cricket or other ground for spectators & players; projecting (usu. highly decorated) subdivision of building; part of cut gemstone below girdle. 2. v.t. Enclose in, furnish with, ~. [f. F *pavillon* f. L *papilionem* (nom. -io) butterfly, tent]

pavona'ezo (pah-, -ätsö), a. & n. (Marble) with peacock-coloured markings. [It.]

päv'oine, a. Of, like, a peacock. [f. L *pavoninus* (*pavo* -onis peacock, see -INE¹)]

paw¹, n. Foot of beast having claws or nails, opp. to hoof; (colloq.) hand, person's handwriting. [f. OF *poue*, prob. of Frank. orig.]

paw², v.t. & i. Strike with paw; (of horse) strike (ground), strike ground, with hoofs; (colloq.) handle awkwardly or rudely. [f. prec.]

|| **pawk'** |y, a. (Sc., dial.). Sly, arch. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [*pawik* trick, etym. dub., + Y¹]

pawl, n., & v.t. 1. Lever with catch for teeth of wheel or bar; (Naut.) short bar

used to prevent capstan, windlass, etc., from recoiling. 2. v.t. Secure (capstan etc.) with ~. [f]

pawn¹, n. Piece of smallest size & value in chess (often fig. of persons). [f. AF *poin* f. L *pedonem* (nom. -o) foot-soldier (*pes pedis* foot)]

pawn², n. Thing, person, left in another's keeping as security, pledge, (now chiefly fig.); state of being pledged, esp. *m*, *ul*, ~; ~broker, one who lends money upon interest on security of personal property pawned; ~broking, his occupation; ~shop, his place of business. [f. OF *pan*, prob. = OFris. & Du. *pand*, G *pfund*]

pawn³, v.t. Deposit (thing) as security for payment of money or performance of action; (fig.) pledge (one's life, honour, word). [f. prec.]

pawnee¹, n. Person with whom pawn is deposited. [-EE]

pax, n. 1. Tablet with representation of Crucifixion etc. kissed at Mass by priests & congregation, osculatory; the kiss of peace as liturgical form at High Mass. 2. ~ *Römān'a*, *Britān'ica*, abstention from war enforced on States subject to the Roman, British, empire; ~ *rōb'is*, *robis'cum*, peace be to, with, you (esp. as priestly blessing). 3. || (school sl., as int.). Peace!, truce! [L. = peace]

pax-wax, n. (dial., colloq.). Stout tendon extending from dorsal vertebrae to occiput in man & other mammals. [earlier *faxwax*, prob. f. OE *feax* hair + *wæx* growth]

pay¹, n. Payment; *in the ~* (employment) of; wages; ~day, day on which payment is (to be) made, || (Stock Exch.) day on which transfer of stock has to be paid for; ~load, part of aircraft's load which produces revenue; ~master, official who pays troops, workmen, etc. (often fig.); ~master general, || officer at head of a department of Treasury. [f. OF *paie*, as foll.]

pay², v.t. & i. (*paid*). 1. Give (person) what is due in discharge of debt or for services done or goods received; ~ off, ~ in full & discharge or be quit of (ship's crew, creditor, etc.); (fig.) reward, recompense; ~ (person) out, punish him; ~ him in his own coin; (colloq.) that has not paid to (settled) him. 2. Recompense (work). 3. Hand over (money owed to person, or w. double object); hand over the amount of (debt, wages, ransom, tithes). 4. ~ in, ~ to one's own or another's banking account; ~ one's way, not get into debt; ~ through the nose, ~ the piper; ~ up, ~ full amount of (arrears, or abs.). 5. Render, bestow, (attention, respect, court, compliment, to). 6. (Of business etc.) yield adequate return, yield adequate return to (person). 7. ~ for, hand over the price of, bear the cost of (~ for one's whistle), (fig.) be punished for (fault etc.);

~ off, (of ship) fall off to leeward when helm is put up; (Naut.) ~ out, away, let out (rope) by slackening it. 8. || ~as-you-earn (abbr. P.A.Y.E.), method of collecting income-tax by deducting at source as income is earned. Hence ~ER', ~ER¹, nn. [f. F *payer* f. L *pacare* appease (*pax pacis* peace)]

|| **pay³**, v.t. (naut.). Snear with pitch, tar, etc., as defence against wet. [f. ONF *prier* f. L *picare* (*picis* pitch)]

pay'able, a. That must be paid, due; that may be paid; (of mine etc.) profitable. [-ABLE]

payment, n. Paying; amount paid; (fig.) recompense. [f. F *paiement* (PAY²)]

payn'im, n. (arch.). Pagan, esp. Mohammedan (often attrib.). [f. OF *paie-nime* f. LL *paganismus* (PAGAN, see -ISM)]

payn'ize, v.t. Impregnate (wood) with certain preservatives. [*Payne*, inventor, -IZE]

pay'sage¹ (-zahzh), n. Rural scene, landscape; landscape painting, so **pay'sagist** n. [F]

pea, n. 1. Leguminous plant whose seeds are used for food; its seed, as *green ~s* (gathered unripe for food); SWEET ~; as *like as two ~s*, undistinguishable. 2. ~nut, (plant whose fruit is a pod containing) seed used as food & yielding oil; ~shooter, tube from which dried ~s are shot; ~soup (made from esp. dried ~s); ~souper (colloq.), thick yellow fog; ~soupy, (of fog) thick & yellow. [back formation f. PEASE taken as pl.]

peace, n. 1. Freedom from, cessation of, war, as ~ with honour, ~ at any price, make (bring about) ~; a treaty of ~ between two powers at war. 2. Freedom from civil disorder; the (king's) ~, general ~ of the realm as secured by law, as commission, JUSTICE, of the ~, be sworn of the ~ (made a magistrate). 3. Quiet, tranquillity; (in & after bibl. use) ~ be with you, ~ to his ashes!; mental calm, as ~ of mind, conscience. 4. At ~, in state of friendliness, not at strife (with); hold one's ~, keep silence; keep the ~, prevent, refrain from, strife; make (person's, one's) ~, bring person, oneself, back into friendly relations (with); ~maker, one who brings about ~, (joc.) revolver, warship, etc.; ~offering, propitiatory gift, (Bibl.) offering presented as thanksgiving to God; ~pipe, tobacco-pipe as token of ~ among N.-Amer. Indians. [f. OF *pais* f. L *pacem* (nom. *pax*)]

peace'able (-sa-), a. Disposed, tending, to peace; free from disturbance, peaceful. Hence ~lessness n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *paisible* (as prec., see -BLE)]

peace'ful (-sf-), a. Characterized by, belonging to a state of, peace. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

peach¹, n. Large fruit, usu. round, with downy white or yellow skin flushed with

red, highly flavoured sweet pulp, & rough stone; (also ~tree) tree bearing this; (sl.) person or thing of superlative merit, specially attractive girl; ~blow, (glaze of) delicate purplish-pink colour; ~brandy, spirituous liquor from ~juice; ~colour(ed), (of) soft pale red. [f. OF *pesche* f. LL *persica* f. L *persicum* (*malum*), lit. Persian apple]

peach², v.i. (now sl.). Turn informer; inform (against, upon, accomplice). [earlier *apreach* f. OF *empechier* IMPEACH]

pea'chick, n. Young peafowl.

peach' [j], a. Like a peach, esp. (of cheeks) in colour & softness. Hence ~INESS n. [-r²]

pea'cock, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Bird with splendid plumage & tail that can be expanded erect like fan (often as type of ostentatious display; *proud as a ~*); ~blue, lustrous blue of ~s neck; ~butterfly, European butterfly with ocellated wings; || ~coal (iridescent); ~fish, fish with brilliant green, blue, red, & white colouring. 2. vb. Plume oneself, make display; strut about ostentatiously, whence ~ERY (4) n. Hence ~ISH¹, ~LIKE, aa. [(vb f. n.) f. OE *pēa*, *pauca*, f. L *pavo*, + COCK¹]

pea'fowl, n. Peacock or peahen. [see *pecc'*]

pea'hēn, n. Female of the peacock. [see PEACOCK]

pea'jacket, n. Sailor's short overcoat of coarse woollen cloth. [f. obs. *pee* f. MDu. *pte* (now *ptj*) pen-jacket + JACKET]

peak¹, n. 1. Projecting part of brim of cap. 2. (naut.). Narrow part of ship's hold esp. (also *fore~*, *after~*) at bow or stern; upper outer corner of sail extended by gaff. 3. Pointed top, esp. of mountain; point e.g. of beard. 4. Highest point in curve or record of fluctuations (~load, maximum of electric power, traffic, etc.). Hence ~ED¹ (-kt), ~r², aa. [f. 16th c., var. of PIKE¹]

peak², v.i. Waste away, esp. (Shakespeare) ~ & pine; (p.p.) sharp-featured, pinched. So ~r² a., sickly, puny. [f.]

peak³, v.t. & i. (naut.). Tilt (yard) vertically; place (oars) APEAK; (of whale) raise (tail, flukes), raise tail or flukes, straight up in diving vertically. [f. APEAK]

peaky. See PEAK¹, PEAK².

peal, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Loud ringing of bell(s), esp. series of changes on set of bells; set of bells; loud volley of sound, esp. of thunder or laughter. 2. v.i. Sound forth in a ~. 3. v.t. Utter sonorously; ~ bells, ring them in ~s. [(vb f. n.) perh. short for APPEAL]

pear (pār), n. A fleshy fruit, tapering towards stalk; ~shaped; ~tree; PRICKLY ~. [OE *pere* f. LL *pira* f. L *pirum*]

pearl¹ (pērl), n. Concretion, usu. white or bluish-grey, formed within shell of ~oyster & other bivalve molluscs, having beautiful lustre & highly prized as gem;

MOTHER¹-of-~; SEED ~. 2. Precious thing, finest example (of its kind); *cast ~s before swine*, offer good thing to one incapable of appreciating it. 3. ~like thing, e.g. dewdrop, tear, tooth. 4. Size of TYPE. 5. Small fragment of various substances. 6. ~ash, potassium carbonate; ~barley, ~sago, etc. (reduced by attrition to small rounded grains); ~diver, one who dives for ~oysters; ~fisher, one who fishes for ~s; ~fishery, his occupation, place of this; ~powder, ~white, cosmetic used to whiten skin; ~shell, mother-of-~ as naturally found. Hence ~ED² (-ld), ~r², aa., ~INESS n., (pār-). [f. F *perle*, mod. L *perla*, etym. dub.]

pearl² (pērl), v.t. & i. Sprinkle with pearly drops; make pearly in colour etc.; reduce (barley etc.) to small pearls; form pearly-like drops; fish for pearls. [f. prec.]

pearl³ (pērl), n. One of a row of fine loops forming decorative edging on pillow-lace etc. [prob. var. of PURL¹]

|| **pear'lies** (pār'liz), n. pl. Costermongers' dress with many pearl buttons.

pear'main (pār-), n. Kind of apple. [f. OF *permain* prob. f. L + *parmanus* of Parma]

pea'sant (pēz-), n. Countryman, rustic, worker on the land. [AF *paisant* f. L *pagensis* of a canton (*pagus*)]

pea'santr^y (pēz-), n. (Body of) peasants. [-ry]

pease (-z), n. Peas, esp. in ~pudding; (arch.) ~rod pea-pod. [OE *pise* pea, pl. *pisan*. f. LL *pisa* f. L *pisum* f. Gk *pison*; cf. PEA]

peat¹, n. (Cut piece of) vegetable matter decomposed by water & partly carbonized, used for fuel; ~bog, ~moss, bog composed of ~; ~reck, smoke of, whisky distilled over, ~fire. Hence ~ERY(3) n., ~r² a. [13th c. *pete*, etym. dub.]

peat², n. (arch.). Girl, belle, (esp. *proud* ~). [?]

pēb'ble, n. Small stone worn & rounded by action of water; colourless transparent rock-crystal used for spectacles, lens of this; kinds of agate or other gem. Hence **pēbb'ly²** a. [f.]

pēbrine (pābrēn'), n. Epidemic disease of silkworms characterized by black spots. [F. f. Pr. *pebrino* (*pebre* PEPPER)]

pecān', n. Kind of hickory of the Mississippi region; its nut. [Algonkin *pakan*]

pēcc'able, a. Liable to sin. Hence ~ABILITY n. [f. med. L *peccabilis* (*peccare* sin, see -BLE)]

pēccadill'ō, n. (pl. ~es). Trifling offence. [f. Sp. *pecadillo*, dim. of *pecado* sin, as foll.]

pēcc'ant, a. Sinning; (Med.) morbid, inducing disease. So ~ANCY n. [f. L *peccare* sin, see -ANT]

pēcc'ary, n. American gregarious quadruped allied to swine. [f. native *pakira*]

pēcc'st', sent. & n. I have sinned, esp. *cry* ~; (n.) this confession. [L]

pêche Mēl'ba (pāsh), *n.* Confection of ice-cream & peaches flavoured with liqueurs etc. [F, after Dame Nello Melba, Australian prima donna (d. 1931)]

pěck¹, *n.* Measure of capacity for dry goods, = 2 gallons; vessel used for this; *a* ~ (large number, amount) of troubles, of dirt. [ME & OF *pek*, etym. dub.]

pěck², *v.t. & i.*, & *n.* 1. Strike (thing) with beak; ~ *out*, pluck out thus; make (hole etc.) thus; kiss (person's cheek etc.) perfunctorily; aim *at* (thing) with beak, (fig.) carp *at*; (colloq.) eat (food, or abs.), esp. in nibbling fashion; break (ground, wall, etc. *up, down*, etc.) with pointed tool. 2. *n.* Stroke with beak, mark made with this; hasty kiss; (sl.) victuals. [prob. var. of PICK²]

pěck³, *v.t. & i.* (sl.). Throw (stone), throw stones (*at*). [dial. var. of PRICK¹]

pěck'er, *n.* Bird that pecks (chiefly in comb., esp. wood~); kind of hoc; [(sl.) keep your ~ (spirits, perh. orig. = beak) *up*. [-ER¹]]

pěck'ish, *a.* (colloq.). Hungry. [-ISH¹]

Pěck'sniff, *n.* Unctuous hypocrite prating of benevolence etc. [in *Martin Chuzzlewit*]

pěc'tiēn, *n.* (zool.). pl. ~*ines* pr. -ēz). Comb-like structure of various kinds in animal bodies, so ~*inate*², ~*inated*, *aa.*, ~*in'ation* *n.*; scallop. [L, gen. -*tinis*, =comb]

pěc'tiēn, *n.* (chem.). Soluble gum-like carbohydrate, the setting agent in jams & jellies, formed in fruits from pectose by ripening or (in fruits & fruit-juice) by heating. So ~*ic* *a.* [f. Gk *pektos* congealed (*ptegumi* make solid) + *-in*]

pěc'toral, *n. & a.* 1. Ornamental breast-plate, esp. that of Jewish high priest; ~ *fin*, muscolo, etc. 2. *adj.* Of, for, good for diseases of, the breast or chest; worn on the breast (~ *cross*, by bishops). [(partly thr. F) f. L *pectoralis* *a.*, -*le* *n.* (*pertus* -*oris* breast, see -AL)]

pěc'tōse, *n.* (chem.). Insoluble substance related to cellulose & found with it in unripe fruits etc. [as PECTIN, see -OSE²]

pěc'ūlāte, *v.t. & i.* Embuzzle (money, or abs.). So ~*ation*, ~*ator*², *nn.* [f. L *peculāri* (as foll.), see -ATE²]

pěcūl'ār, *a. & n.* 1. Belonging exclusively to; belonging to the individual, esp. one's own ~ (character etc.); particular, special, as a point of ~ *interest*; strange, odd, as a ~ *flavour*, he has always been a little ~; ~ *people*, the Jews, (in wider sense) God's elect, (P~ *People*) evangelical Christian denomination founded 1838 relying on divine healing for cure of disease. 2. *n.* ~ *property*, privilege, etc.; parish, church, exempt from jurisdiction of diocese in which it lies (hist.); (P~) one of the P~ *People*. [f. L *peculāris* of private property (*peculium* *f.* *pecu* cattle, see -AR¹)]

pěcūliā'rity, *n.* Being peculiar; characteristic; oddity. [-ITY]

pěcūl'iariy, *adv.* As regards oneself alone, individually, as does not affect him ~; especially, more than usually, as ~ *annoying*; oddly, as they dress ~. [-LY²]

pěcūn'iariy, *a.* (Consisting) of money, as ~y *aid*, *considerations*; (of offence) having ~y penalty. Hence ~*ily*² *adv.* [f. L *pecuniarius* (*pecunia* money *f.* *pecu* cattle, see -ARY¹)]

pěd'agōgue (-g), *n.* Schoolmaster, teacher, (usu. derog. implying pedantry). Hence or cogn. **pědagōg'ic**(AL) (-ōg-, -ōj-) *aa.*, **pědagōg'ically**² *adv.*, **pěd'agōg(u)-ism**(1) (-gizm) *n.* [OF, f. L *f.* Gk *paidagōgos* (*pais* *paidos* boy + *agōgos* *f.* *agō* lead)]

pěd'agōg'y (-gi-, -ji), *n.* Science of teaching. So ~*ics* (-gōg-, -gōj-) *n.* [f. F *pédagogie* *f.* Gk *paidagōgia*, as prec.]

pěd'al¹, *n.*, & *v.i. & t.* (-il-). 1. (In organ) each of the wooden keys played upon by the feet, (also) foot-lever for drawing out several stops at once or other purposes; (in piano) foot-lever for making the tone fuller (*loud* ~) or softer (*soft* ~); foot-lever in various machines, esp. bicycle or tricycle; (Mus.) note sustained in one part, usu. bass, through successive harmonies some of which are independent of it. 2. *vb.* Play on organ ~s, work bicycle ~s; work (bicycle) thus. [prob. *f.* F *pédale* *f.* It. *pedale* *f.* L as foll.]

pěd'al², *a.* (zool.). Of the feet or foot (esp. of mollusc). [f. L *pedalis* (*pes* *pedis* foot, see -AL)]

pěd'ant, *n.* One who overrates or parades book-learning or technical knowledge or insists on strict adherence to formal rules; one who is possessed by a theory, doctrinaire. Hence or cogn. **pědān'tic** *a.*, **pědān'tically** *adv.*, ~*ism*(2, 3) *v.t. & i.*, ~*ocracy*, ~*ry*(1, 4, 5), *nn.* [(prob. thr. F *pédant*) *f.* It. *pedante*, perh. cogn. w. PEDAGOGUE]

pěd'ate, *a.* (Zool.) footed; (Bot., of leaf) having divisions like toes or bird's claws. [f. L *pedatus* (*pes* *pedis* foot, see -ATE²)]

pěd'die, *v.i. & t.* Follow occupation of pedlar; busy oneself with trifles; deal out in small quantities, retail, (usu. fig.). [f. *pederasty*. See PEDERASTY.]

pěd'estal, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-il-). Base supporting column in construction; base of statue etc.; each of two supports of knee-hole table; foundation (lit. & fig.); movable cupboard for chamber-pots; (v.t.) set, support, on ~. [f. F *piedestal* *f.* It. *piedestallo* foot of stall (*piè* foot *f.* L *pes* *pedis* + *di* of + *stallo* STALL¹)]

pědēs'trian, *a. & n.* 1. Going, performed, on foot; of walking; prosaic, dull, un-inspired. 2. *n.* One who walks, esp. as athletic performance, whence ~*ism*(2) *n.*, ~*ism*(2) *v.i.* [f. L *pedester* -*tris* + *-ian*]

pěd'icel, **pěd'icle**, *nn.* (Bot., zool.). Small (esp. subordinate, of PEDUNCLE) stalk-like

structure in plant or animal. Hence **péd'icellár²**, **pédic'úlar²**, aa. [f. L (-cel) *pedicellus* double dim., (-cle) *pediculus* dim., f. *pes* *pedis* foot, see -OULE]

pédic'úlar, -lous, aa. Lousy. So **pédic'úlos** 'is n. [f. L *pedicularis*, -losus (*pediculus* louse, see -AR¹, -OUS)]

péd'igree, n. Genealogical table; ancestral line (of man or animal); derivation (of word); ancient descent; (attrib.) having known line of descent, as ~ *cattle*. Hence **péd'igreen²** a. [earlier *pedegru* prob. f. F *pié de grue* crane's foot, mark denoting succession in ~s (*piéd* foot f. L *pes* *pedis* + *de* of + *grue* crane f. L *grus*)]

péd'imént, n. Triangular part crowning front of building in Grecian style, esp. over portico; similarly placed member of same or other form in Roman & Renaissance styles. Hence **pédimén'tal**, ~ED², aa. [earlier *peremint*, perh. corrupt. of PYRAMID]

péd'lar, n. Travelling vendor of small wares usu. carried in pack; (fig.) retailer (of gossip etc.); ~s *French*, thieves' cant. Hence **péd'lary** n. [prob. f. Sc. *pedder* prob. f. *ped* basket, etym. dub.; found long before PEDDLER]

pedo-. See PAEDO-.

pédóm'éter, n. Instrument for estimating distance travelled on foot by recording number of steps taken. [f. F *pédomètre* f. L *pes* *pedis* foot + -o- + -METER]

péd'rail, n. Device for facilitating progress of heavy vehicles over rough ground by attachment of broad footlike supporting surfaces to wheel-rims. [f. L *pes* *pedis* foot + RAIL¹]

pédünc'le (-üng'kl), n. (Bot.) stalk of flower, fruit, or cluster, esp. main stalk bearing solitary flower or subordinate stalks (*pedicels*); (Zool.) stalklike process in animal body. Hence ~**ULAR¹**, ~**ULATE²** (-at), aa. [f. L *pes* *pedis* foot + -UNCLE]

peek, v.i. Peep, peer, (in, out, etc.); ~-a-boo (now U.S.), =BO-PERP. [ME *píke*, etym. dub.]

peel¹, n. (hist.). Small square tower built in 10th c. in border counties of England & Scotland. [earlier=palisade, ult. f. L *palus* stake]

peel², n. Shovel, esp. baker's for thrusting loaves etc. into oven. [f. OF *pele* f. L *pala*]

peel³, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Strip the ~, rind, bark, etc., from (orange, potato, tree, etc.); take off (skin, ~, etc.); (arch., from *Isa.* xviii. 2, perh. mistransl.) scattered & ~ed (pillaged); (intr., of tree, animal body, etc.) become bare of bark, skin, etc., (of bark, surface, etc.) come off or off like ~, (of person, now sl.) strip for exercise etc. 2. n. Rind, outer coating, of fruit; candied ~ (usu. of citron). Hence ~**ER¹** [-ER¹(1, 2)] n., ~**ING¹**(2) n. (esp. *potato ~ings*). [=PILL², orig. in all senses]

peel'er¹, n. || Policeman (sl.); member of Irish constabulary, founded under Peel's secretaryship (hist.). [Robert *Peel*, cf. BOBBY, +ER¹]

Peel'ite, n. Conservative siding with Sir R. Peel when he introduced measure for repeal of Corn-laws in 1846. [-ITE¹]

peen, n. Wedge-shaped or thin end of a hammer-head (opp. *face*). [etym. dub.; cf. G *pinne* in same sense]

peep¹, v.i., & n. (Make) feeble shrill sound of young birds, mice, etc., chirp/squeak. [(n. f. vb) var. of PIPE²]

peep², v.i. Look through narrow aperture (at, into, etc.); look furtively (~ing *Tom*, type of prurient curiosity, in tale of Godiva); (of daylight, flower, distant object) come cautiously or partly into view, emerge, (often out); (fig., of qualities etc.) show itself unconsciously. [f. 15th c., cf. FEEPE]

peep³, n. Furtive or peering glance; first appearance, esp. of dawn, of day; ~-of-day boys. Protestant organization in Ireland (1781-85) searching opponents' houses at daybreak for arms; ~-hole, small hole to peep through; ~-show, small exhibition of pictures etc. viewed through lens in small orifice (also fig.); ~ sight, aperture sight of some rifles. [f. peec.]

peep'er, n. One who peeps; (sl.) eye. [PEEP² + -ER¹]

peep'ul, pi'pal (pē-), n. Large Indian fig-tree allied to banyan, bo-tree. [Hind. *pīpal*]

peer¹, n. 1. An equal in civil standing or rank; equal in any respect, as *you will not easily find his ~*, whence ~**LESS** a., ~**LESSLY²** adv., ~**LESSNESS** n. 2. Member of one of the degrees (duke, marquise, earl, viscount, baron) of nobility in United Kingdom, whence ~**ESS¹** n.; ~s of the realm or United Kingdom (all of whom may sit in House of Lords), ~s of Scotland, of Ireland, (represented in H. of Lords by 16 elected to each parliament, by 28 elected for life); noble (of any country). [ME & OF *per* f. L *par* equal]

peer², v.t. & i. Rank with, equal; rank as equal with; make (man) a peer. [f. OF *perer* f. L *pariare* (par equal)]

peer³, v.i. Look narrowly (into, at, etc.); appear, peep out; come in sight. [?]

peer'age, n. The peers; nobility, aristocracy; rank of peer; book containing list of peers with genealogy etc. [-AGE]

peev'd (-vd), a. (sl.). Irritated. [PEEV(ISH), -ED¹]

peev'ish, a. Querulous, irritable. Hence ~**LY²** adv., ~**NESS** n. [?]

peewit. See PEWIT.

peg¹, n. Pin, bolt, of wood, metal, etc., usu. round & slightly tapering, for holding together parts of framework etc., stopping up vent of cask, hanging hats etc. on, holding ropes of tent, tightening or loosening strings of violin etc., marking

cribbage score, etc.; *round ~ in square hole*¹; CLOTHES-~; (fig.) *a ~ to hang* (discourse etc.) *on*, (occasion, pretext, theme); || *a drink, esp. of spirits; off the ~*, (of clothes) ready-made; || *put (a man) on the ~* (Army sl.), bring before the C.O. for an offence; *take (person) down a ~ or two*, humble him; ~*top*, pear-shaped spinning-top with metal ~, ~*top trousers* (wide at hips, narrow at ankles). [prob. of LG orig., cf. dial. Du. *peg*]

pég³, v.t. & i. (-gg-). Fix (thing down, in, out, etc.) with peg; ~ *down*, restrict (to rules etc.); (Stock Exch.) prevent price of (stock etc.) from falling (rising) by freely buying (selling) at given price; strike, pierce, aim at, with peg; (sl.) throw (stone), throw stones etc., (at); mark (score) with pegs on cribbage-board; mark out boundaries of (mining claim etc.); ~ (away), work persistently (at); drive pegs into (cricket-bat); ~ *out*, (Crocket) hit peg with ball as final stroke in game, (sl.) die, be ruined. [f. prec.]

pég'amoid, n. Kind of imitation leather used in coach-building etc. [?]

Pég'asus, n. Winged horse that with stroke of hoof caused fountain Hippocrene to flow on Mt Helicon, (fig.) poetic genius. [L, f. Gk *Pégasos* (*pégē* fount)]

peignoir (pän'wahr, & see Ap.), n. Woman's loose dressing-gown worn while hair is combed or on coming out of bath. [F (*peigner* comb)]

peine forte et dure (pän förtä dü'), n. Severe & hard punishment, i.e. pressing to death, inflicted on person charged with felony who refused to plead. [F]

pej'orative (or pij'ö'tr-), a. & n. Deprecatory (word), as the ~ suffix -*aster*. [f. L *peiorare* make worse (*peior*), see -*ATIVE*]

pék'an, n. N.-Amer. carnivorous beast of weasel family, valued for fur. (f. native *pékané*)

péke, n. PEKINESE dog. [abbr.]

pék'in' (or -ing'), n. Kind of silk stuff; [f. F *pékin* as used by Napoleon I's soldiers] civilian. [f. F *pékin* f. Chin. *Pe-king* northern capital]

Pékin(g)ese' (-z), n. & a. (Inhabitant) of Pekin(g); small short-legged snub-nosed dog with long silky hair. [-ESE]

Pék'ing män, n. Prehistoric type of man represented by remains first found in 1929 at Peking.

pék'öe, n. Superior kind of black tea. [f. Chin. *pek-ho* (*pek* white + *ho* down), leaves being picked young with down on them]

pél'age, n. Fur, hair, wool, etc., of quadruped. [F (OF *pél* hair + -AGE)]

Pélä'gian¹, a. & n. (Follower) of the monk Pelagius (4th-5th c.), who denied doctrine of original sin. Hence ~*ISM* n. [-AN]

pélä'gian², a. & n. Of, inhabiting, inhabitant of, the open sea. [f. L *pelagius* (*pela-gus* sea f. Gk *pelagos*) + -AN]

pélä'gic, a. Of, performed on, the open sea, esp. ~ *sealing*. [f. L *pelagicus* (as prec., -IC)]

pélärgön'ium, n. Genus of plants with showy flowers & fragrant leaves (pop. called *geranium*). [f. Gk *pelargos* stork]

Peläs'gic (-zj- or -zg-), a. Of the Pelasgians, an ancient race on coasts & islands of Eastern Mediterranean & Aegean; ~ *architecture*, oldest form of masonry found in Greece. [f. L *Pelasgicus* (*Pelasgi* f. Gk *Pelasgoi*, see -IC)]

pél'erine (or -én'), n. Woman's long narrow cape or tippet. [f. F *pélerine*, fem. of *pélerin* PILGRIM]

pélf, n. Money, wealth, (usu. derog.). [f. OF *pelfre*, etym. dub.]

pél'ican, n. Large water-fowl with pouch for storing fish, fabled to feed its young with its own blood. [f. LL *pelicanus* f. Gk *pelekum*, cf. *pelekas* woodpecker perh. f. *pelekus* axe]

péllisse' (-ös), n. Woman's mantle with armholes or sleeves, reaching to ankles; child's outdoor garment worn over other clothes; hussar officer's fur-trimmed undress jacket. [F, f. L *pellicia* (*vestis* garment) of fur (*pellis* skin)]

pélläg'ria, n. Deficiency disease characterized by cracking of skin & often ending in insanity. So ~*OUS* a. [perh. f. It. *pelle agra* rough skin]

péll'ët, n., & v.t. Small ball of paper, bread, etc.; pill; small shot; circular boss in coins etc.; (vb) hit with (esp. paper) ~s. [f. F *pelote* f. med. L *pelota* f. L *pila* ball]

péll'icle, n. Thin skin; membrane; film. Hence **péll'ic'ülär¹** a. [f. L *pellícula*, dim. of *pellis* skin]

péll'itörý, n. 1. (~ of Spain) plant with pungent-flavoured root, used as local irritant etc. 2. (~ of the wall) low bushy plant with greenish flowers growing on or at foot of walls. [1. earlier *pellete* f. L f. Gk *purethron* feverfew, cf. *puerlos* fever. 2. f. L *parietaria* (*paries* -*etis* wall)]

péll'méll', adv., a., & n. 1. In disorder, promiscuously; headlong, recklessly. 2. ad. Confused, tumultuous. 3. n. Confusion, medley, mêlée. [f. F *pêle-mêle* (*pêle* etym. dub. + *mêle* prob. f. *mêler* mix f. LL *misculare* f. L *miscere*)]

péllü'cid, a. Transparent, clear; clear in style or expression; mentally clear. Hence or cogn. **péllücid'itý** n., ~*LY²* adv. [f. L *pellucidus* f. PER(lucere shine), see -*ID¹*]

Pél'manism, n. A 20th-c. memory-training system. [?]

pél'mét, n. Valance or narrow pendant border (esp. over window or door to conceal curtain rods). [prob. f. F *palmette* conventional palm-leaf design used on cornices]

pél'öt'a, n. Basque game like tennis, played with ball & wicker racket. [Sp. =ball, f. *pella* f. L *pila* ball]

pelt¹, *n.* Skin of sheep or goat with short wool on; undressed skin of fur-bearing animal; raw skin of sheep etc. stripped of wool or fur, so **pelt**¹try(1) *n.* [cogn. w. obs. *pell* skin *f.* OF *pel* *f.* L *pellis*]

pelt², *v.t. & i.* & *n.* 1. Assault with missiles (also fig.); (intr., of rain etc.) beat with violence; strike repeatedly with missiles, go on firing *at*. 2. *n.* ~ing; (*at*) full ~ (speed). [?]

pelt³a, *n.* (pl. ~ae). Small light shield of ancient Greeks, Romans, etc.; (Bot.) shield-like structure, so ~ATE²(2) *n.* [L, *f.* Gk *peltē*]

pelt⁴vis, *n.* (anat.). Basin-shaped cavity formed in most vertebrates by hunch-bones with sacrum & other vertebrae, whence ~ic *a.*: basin-like cavity of kidney. [L, = basin]

Pem'broke, *n.* Town in Wales; ~ *table*, *p*~, table on four fixed legs with hinged flaps that can be spread out & supported on other legs.

pemm'ican, *n.* N.-Amer.-Ind. cake of dried & pounded meat mixed with melted fat; beef so treated & flavoured with currants etc. for travellers; (fig.) condensed literary matter. [*f.* native *pimecan* (*pime* fat)]

pem'phigus, *n.* (path.). Formation of watery vesicles or eruptions on skin of body. Hence ~oid, ~ous, *aa.* [*f.* Gk *pemphix*-*igos* bubble]

pen¹, *n.* Small enclosure for cows, sheep, poultry, etc., or for other purposes; (W.-Ind.) farm, plantation; *submarine* ~, enclosure (often with concrete roof) for sheltering submarines. [OF *penn*, *otym.* dub.]

pen², *v.t.* (-nn-). Enclose, shut up, shut in; shut up (cattle etc.) in pen. [prob. *f.* prec.]

pen³, *n.* & *v.t.* (-nn-). 1. Quill-feather with quill pointed & split into two sections, for writing with ink; similar instrument of steel, gold, etc., fitted into rod of wood etc. (~holder); writing, style of this, as *made a living with his* ~, *wields a formidable* ~; FOUNTAIN~. 2. ~ & ink, instruments of writing, writing; ~-*&-ink* *a.*, drawn, written, with these; ~feather, quill-feather of bird's wing; ~knife, small knife usu. carried in pocket; ~man (-an), one who writes a (*good, bad*, etc.) hand, author; ~manship, skill in writing, style of handwriting, action or style of literary composition; ~name, literary pseudonym; ~wiper, appliance usu. of small pieces of cloth for wiping ~ after use. 3. *v.t.* Write, compose & write, (letter etc.). Hence ~FUL *n.* [(*vb f. n.*) *f.* OF *penn* *f.* L *penna* feather]

pen⁴, *n.* Female swan. [?]

pen'al, *a.* Of punishment; concerned with inflicting this, as ~ *laws*; (of offence) punishable, esp. by law; inflicted as punishment, as ~ *servitude*, imprisonment

with hard labour; used as place of punishment, as a ~ *colony*. Hence ~LY² *adv.* [*f.* F *pénal* *f.* L *penalis* (*poena* penalty *f.* Gk *poinë* fine, see -AL)]

pen'alize, *v.t.* Make, declare, (action) penal; (Sport.) subject (competitor, also fig.) to penalty or comparative disadvantage. [-IZE]

pen'alty, *n.* Punishment, esp. (payment of) sum of money, for breach of law, rule, or contract; the ~ of, disadvantage resulting from (quality etc.); (Sport.) disadvantage imposed on competitor for breaking rule or winning previous contest; (Bridge) points added to player's score under the laws of the game; (Football) ~ *area*, part of ground in front of goal in which a breach of the rules by defenders involves award of a ~ *kick* (at goal). [ult. *f.* med. L *poenaltus* (as PENAL, see -TY)]

pen'ance, *n.* & *v.t.* (In theological use) a sacrament including contrition, confession, satisfaction, & absolution; act of self-mortification as expression of penitence, esp. one imposed by priest; *do* ~, perform such act; (*v.t.*) impose ~ on. [*f.* OF *penance* *f.* L *paenitentia* (as PENITENT, see -ANCE)]

Penāt'ēs (-z), *n. pl.* (Rom. myth.). Household gods. [L, perh. *f.* *penus* sanctuary]

pence. See PENNY.

penchant (see Ap.), *n.* Inclination, liking, for. [*f.* part. of *pencher* slope *f.* L *pendicare* (*pendere* hang)]

pen'cil¹, *n.* (Arch.) artist's paint-brush (still tech. of small brushes, esp. in comb., as *sable*-, *camelhair*-, ~); (fig.) painter's art or style; instrument for drawing or writing, esp. of black lead enclosed in cylinder of wood or in metal case with tapering end; (Optics) set of rays meeting at a point; (Geom.) figure formed by set of straight lines meeting at a point; ~-shaped object; ~case, holder, usu. of metal, for ~ or ~lead. [*f.* OF *pincel* ult. *f.* L *penicillum* dim. of *peniculus* brush dim. of PENIS]

pen'cil², *v.t.* (-ll-). Tint or mark (as) with lead pencil; jot down with pencil; enter (horse's name) in betting-book, whence ~IER¹ *n.* (Racing sl.), bookmaker or his clerk; (esp. in p.p.) mark delicately with thin concentric lines of colour or shading. [*f.* prec.]

pen'dant¹, -ent¹, *n.* 1. Hanging ornament, esp. one attached to necklace, bracelet, etc. 2. (Naut., also *pennant*) short rope hanging from head of mast etc. with eye at lower end for receiving hooks of tackles, (also) tapering flag, esp. that flown at mast-head of vessel in commission; *broad* ~, short swallow-tailed ~ distinguishing commodore's ship in squadron; shank & ring of watch by which it is suspended. 3. (*Also pr. pahu'dahū*) match, parallel, companion, complement,

(to). [F' (-ant), f. *pendre* hang f. L *pendere*, see -ANT]

pén'dent¹, -ant¹, a. Hanging; overhanging; undecided, pending, whence **pén'dency** n.; (Gram.) of which the construction is incomplete. [as prec.]

péndén'té lli'é, adv. Pending the suit. [L]

péndén'tive, n. (archit.). Each of spherical triangles formed by intersection of dome by two pairs of opposite arches springing from the four supporting columns. [F' (-if, -ive), adj., as PENDANT¹ + -IVE]

pén'ding, a. & prep. 1. Undecided, awaiting decision or settlement, as a *suit*, a *treaty*, was then ~. 2. prep. During, as ~ these negotiations (orig. = while these negotiations are ~); until, as ~ his return. [after F' PENDANT², -ING²]

péndrág'on, n. Ancient British or Welsh prince. [W. = chief leader (*pen* head + *DRAGON* standard)]

pén'dúlate, v.i. Swing like a pendulum; (fig.) be undecided. [as foll. + -ATE²]

pén'dúline, a. (Of nest) suspended; (of bird) building such nest. [F' (as foll. + -INE²)]

pén'dulous, a. Suspended, hanging down, (esp. of bird's nest, flower, etc.); oscillating. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *pendulus* (*pendere* hang) + -OUS]

pén'dulum, n. Body suspended so as to be free to swing, esp. rod with weighted end regulating movement of clock's works; *swing of the ~*, alternation of power between political parties; COMPENSATION ~; person, thing, that oscillates (lit. & fig.). [f. L neut. adj. as prec.]

Pénél'opé, n. Chaste wife. [f. Gk *Pénélope*, -*peia*, wife of Odysseus]

pén'éplain, n. (geol.). A region that is almost a plain. [f. L *paene* almost, PLAIN¹]

pénétrál'ia, n. pl. Innermost shrine or recesses. [L, pl. of *penetral*, cogn. w. foll.]

pén'étráte, v.t. & i. Find access into or through, pass through; (of sight) pierce through (darkness, thicket, etc.); permeate; imbue (person, thing, *with*); (fig.) see into, find out, discern, (person's mind, meaning, design, the truth); (intr.) make a way (*into, through, to*); (part.) gifted with or suggestive of insight, (of voice etc.) easily heard through or above other sounds. Hence or cogn. ~ABILITY, ~ATION, ~átor², nn., ~ABLE, ~áTIVE, aa., ~áTINGLY², ~áTIVELY², advv. [f. L *penetrare*, cogn. w. *penitus* interior, see -ATE²]

pén'uin (-nggw-). n. Sea-fowl of southern hemisphere with wings represented by scaly paddles with which it swims under water. [f]

pén'ial, a. Of the penis. [-AL]

pén'icillate, a. (nat. hist.). Furnished with, forming, small (tufts); marked

with streaks as of pencil or brush. [as PENCIL, -ATE²]

pénicill'in, n. Therapeutic drug (first discovered in mould) for preventing the growth of certain disease bacteria. [f. LL *penicillium* mould (L *penicillus* PENICIL¹) + -IN]

pénin'sula, n. Piece of land almost surrounded by water or projecting far into the sea; *the P~*, Spain & Portugal, (in 1914-18 war) Gallipoli. [f. L *paeninsula* (*paene* almost + *insula* island)]

pénin'sular, a. & n. 1. Of (the nature of) a peninsula; of the Peninsula or of the war there carried on between French & English etc. (1808-14). 2. n. Inhabitant of a peninsula; (*P~*) soldier of the *P~* war. [-AR¹]

pénin'sulate, v.t. Make (land) into a peninsula. [-ATE²]

pén'is, n. (pl. -*nēs*). Copulatory organ of male animal. [L, = tail, penis]

pén'itent, a. & n. 1. That repents, contrite. 2. n. Repentant sinner, person doing penance under direction of confessor; (pl.) various R.-C. orders associated for mutual discipline etc. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. F *pénitent* f. L *paenitere* repent, -ENT]

pénitén'tial (-nshl), a. Of penitence or penance; *the ~ psalms* (vi, xxxii, xxxviii, li, cii, cxxx, cxliii). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. mod. L *paenitentialis* (*paenitentia* penitence, as prec., see -ENCE & -AL)]

pénitén'tiary (-sha-), n. & a. 1. Office in papal court deciding questions of penance, dispensations, etc.; *Grand P~*, cardinal presiding over this; | asylum for prostitutes resolving on amendment; reformatory prison. 2. adj. Of penance, of reformatory treatment. [PENITENCE, -ARY]

pén'n'ant, n. = PENDANT¹ (naut.); = PENNON. [compromise between *pendant* & *pennon*]

pén'n'ifórm, a. (nat. hist.). Having the form or appearance of a feather. So **pén'nif'EROUS** a. [f. L *penna* feather, see -FORM]

pén'n'fléss, a. Having no money; poor, destitute. [f. PENNY + -LESS]

pén'n'íl, n. (pl. ~ion pr. -il'yón). (Stanza of) improvised verse sung to harp at Eisteddfod etc. [Welsh, f. *penn* head]

pén'n'on, n. Long narrow flag, triangular or swallow-tailed, esp. as military ensign of lancer regiments; long pointed streamer of ship; flag. Hence ~ED² (-nd) a. [f. OF *pennon* prob. f. L *penna* feather, see -OON]

pén'n'y, n. (pl. *pence* exc. as below). 1. English bronze coin worth 1/12 of shilling (in pl. *pence* combined with numbers from 2 to 11 & 20, pr. without stress, as *six-pence* but *eight'een pence*; after numeral written *d.* = DENARIUS, as *6d.*; pl. *pennies* of individual coins as such, as *gave me my*

change in pennies, doled it out in single pennies; **(colloq.) a cent*; (Bibl.) = DENARIUS. 2. *A pretty ~, a good sum of money*; PETER'S ~, *pence*; *a ~ for your thoughts* (said to person absorbed in thought); *in for a ~, in for a pound*, thing once begun must be concluded at all costs; *take care of the pence*, be sparing in small outlays; *turn an honest ~, make something by an odd job*; *a ~ plain & twopence coloured* (jeer at cheap showiness). 3. ~-a-line a., (of writing) cheap, superficial, ~-a-liner, hack writer; || *blood* (sl.), = ~ DREADFUL; || ~ *farthing* (colloq.), old type of high bicycle; ~-in-the-slot; || ~ *post* (for conveyance of letters at former ordinary charge of 1d.); ~ *weight* (abbr. *wt.*), measure of weight, 24 grains, 1/20 of an ounce Troy; ~ *wise*, (over-)careful in small expenditures, esp. ~ *wise & pound foolish*, careful in small, wasteful in large matters; ~ *wort* (-wört), (also *wail* ~wort) plant with rounded concave leaves growing in crevices of rocks & walls, (marsh or water ~wort) small herb with rounded leaves growing in marshy places; ~ *worth*, *penn'orth*, (pén'wörth, pén'érth), as much as can be bought for a ~, *not a ~-worth*, not the least bit, *a good, bad, ~-worth* (bargain); || *five~*, *ten~*, etc., *nail*, sizes of nail orig. costing 5d. etc. per 100. [OE *pening*, cf. Du. *penning*, G *pfennig*]

pennýroy'al, n. Kind of mint cultivated for supposed medicinal virtues. [prob. = earlier *pulyole rymale* f. OF *poliol* thymo f. L *pulegiotum* dim. of *pulegium* + ROYAL]

pénol'og'ly, n. Study of punishment & of prison management. Hence **pénolô'gical** a., ~IST n. [f. Gk *poinë* fine + -o- + -LOGY]

pén'sile, a. Hanging down, pendulous; (of bird etc.) that constructs ~ nest. [f. L *pensilis* (*pendère pens-* hang, see -IL)]

pén'sion (-shn), n., & v.t. 1. Periodical (usu. annual) payment made esp. by government, company, or employer, in consideration of past services or of relinquishment of rights etc. (|| *Ministry of P-s*, department instituted in 1914-18 war); such payment to person who is not a professed servant for good will, secret service, etc., or to artists, scientists, etc., to enable them to carry on work of public interest; *old-age ~*, weekly or monthly payment by government to workmen, poor persons, or every one, after specified age. 2. || Consultative assembly of members of Gray's Inn. 3. (*pr.* pahn'si-awn). Boarding-house at fixed rate; *live en ~* (as boarder). 4. v.t. Grant ~ to, buy over with ~; ~ *off*, dismises with ~. Hence ~LESS (-sho-) a. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *pensionem* payment (*pendère pens-* pay, -ION)]

pén'sionable (-sho-), a. Entitled, (of

services etc.) entitling person, to pension. [-ABLE]

pén'sionary (-sho-), a. & n. (Recipient) of a pension; creature, hireling; *Grand P~* (hist.), first minister of Holland & Zealand (1619-1794). [f. mod. L *pensionarius* (as PENSION, see -ARY¹)]

pén'sioner (-sho-), n. Recipient of pension; hireling, creature (obs.); || (Camb. Univ.) undergraduate who is not a scholar on the foundation or a sizar but pays for his own commons etc. (=COMMONER at Oxf. Univ.). [f. OF *pensionnier* (as prec.)]

pén'sive, a. Plunged in thought; melancholy. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [F (-if, -ive), f. *penser* think f. L *pensare* frequent. of *pendère pens-* weigh]

pén'stöck, n. Sluice, flood-gate. [PÉN¹ in sense 'mill-dam' + STOCK]

pént, a. Closely confined, shut in or up. [p.p. of *pend* var. of PÉN²]

pént[a-] in comb. (before vowel *pent-*) = Gk *pente* five, as: *pen'tachord* (-k-), musical instrument of 5 strings, series of 5 notes; ~*adactyl* a. & n., (person, animal) with 5 toes or fingers on each limb, so ~*adactyl'ic* a., ~*adactylism* n.; ~*agynous*, with 5 pistils; ~*ahéd'ron* (-a-h-), solid figure of 5 faces, so ~*ahéd'ral* a.; ~*am'erous*, (Bot., also written 5-merous) having parts of flower-whorl 5 in number, (Zool.) consisting of 5 joints; ~*án'drous*, with 5 free stamens; ~*apet'alous*, with 5 petals; ~*áp'ody*, verse, sequence in verse, of 5 feet; *pen'tastich* (-k-), group of 5 lines in verse; ~*atöm'ic*, having 5 atoms of some substance in the molecule; ~*atón'ic*, of 5 notes; ~*áv'alent*, with combining power of 5 atoms of hydrogen etc.

pén'tacle, n. Figure used as symbol, esp. in magic, prob. = PENTAGRAM. [f. med. L *pentaculum*, prob. = PENTA- + CULE]

pén'täd, n. The number, group of, five; five-day period; (Chem.) element, radical, with combining power of five. [f. Gk *pentas* -ados (*pente* five, -AD)]

pén'tägon, n. Five-sided (usu. plane rectilinear) figure. Hence **péntäg'onäl** a. [f. I. f. Gk PENTA(*gōnon* f. *gōnia* angle)]

pén'tägrām, n. Five-pointed star formed by producing sides of pentagon both ways till they intersect, formerly used as mystic symbol. [f. Gk PENTA(*grammon* f. *grammē* line)]

péntäm'éter, n. (Gk & Lat. Pros.) form of dactylic verse composed of two halves each of two feet (dactyls in second half, dactyls or spondees in first) & long syllable, chiefly used alternately with hexameters to form elegiac verse; English iambic verse of ten syllables. [L, f. Gk PENTA(*metros* f. *metron* measure)]

pén'täne, n. Paraffin hydrocarbon having five carbon atoms in the molecule occurring as a colourless fluid in petroleum etc. [f. Gk *pente* five + -ANE(2)]

Pēn'tateuch (-k), n. First five books of O.T., traditionally ascribed to Moses. Hence **pēntateuch** 'AL (-kl) a. [f. L f. Gk PENTA(*teukhos*) implement, in late Gk, book] of five books]

pēntāth'lōn, n. (Gk Ant.) athletic contest of five events in each of which all competitors took part; similar contest in modern Olympic Games. [Gk, f. PENTA- + *athlon* contest]

Pēn'tēcōst, n. Jewish harvest festival, on fiftieth day after the second day of Pass-over (*Levit.* xxiii. 15, 16), (later) synagogue anniversary of giving of Law on Sinai; (arch.) Whit Sunday. Hence **pēntēcōst** 'AL a. [f. eccl. L f. Gk *pēntēcōstē* (*hēmera*) fiftieth (day), f. *pēntēkonta* fifty]

pēnt'house (-t-h-), (arch.) **pēn'tice**, n. Sloping roof, esp. as subsidiary structure attached to wall of main building; awning, canopy, or the like. [ME *pentis*, prob. f. OF *apentis*, -dis, f. LL *appendicium* appendage (APPEND)]

pēn'tōde, a. (Of wireless valves) having five electrodes. [irreg. f. Gk *pente* five + *hodos* way]

|| **Pēn'tonville**, n. London prison associated with the principle of confinement in separate cells, to suit which and to serve as a model it was designed.

pēntstēm'on, n. Bright-flowered garden plant. [irreg. f. PENTA- + Gk *stēmōn* warp (cf. STAMEN)]

pēnūlt' (or *pē*), **pēnūl'timate**, aa. & nn. Last but one; (n.) last syllable but one. [-ult abbr.] f. L *paene* almost + ULTIMATE after L *paenultimus*]

pēnūm'brja, n. Partly shaded region around shadow of opaque body, esp. round total shadow of moon or earth in eclipse; lighter outer part of sun-spot; partial shadow. Hence ~AL a. [f. L *paene* almost + *umbra* shadow]

pēnūr'ious, a. Poor, scanty; stingy, grudging, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. mod. L *penuriosus* (foll., -OUS)]

pēn'ūrý, n. Destitution, poverty; lack, scarcity, (of). [f. L *penuria*, cogn. w. Gk *peina* hunger, *penia* poverty, *spanis* want]

pē'on (or *pūn*), n. (In India) office-messenger, attendant, orderly; (Span. Amer.) day-labourer; (Mex.) enslaved debtor. [OF, Sp., f. L as PAWN¹]

pē'onage, n. Employment, service, of peons. [-AGE]

pē'oný, n. Plant with large globular red or white flowers, in cultivation often double. [OE *peonie* f. L f. Gk *paĩōnia* (*Paĩōn*, physician of the gods)]

people (pē'pl), n., & v.t. 1. Persons composing community, race, or nation, as the *English* ~, *English-speaking* ~s, a *warlike* ~, (treated as sing.); the persons belonging to a place or forming a company or class etc. (the ~ of the western counties were in revolt, the ~ here are furious), subjects of king etc., congregation of

parish priest etc., (as pl.); armed followers, retinue, workpeople, etc., (as pl.); one's parents or other relatives, as *his* ~ are *sure to hear of it*; the commonalty (as pl.); the body of enfranchised or qualified citizens (as sing. or pl.); persons in general, as ~ *don't like to be kept waiting*; || *P~s Palace*, East London institution with library, entertainments, educational classes etc. for the use of the working class. 2. v.t. Fill with ~, populate, fill (place with animals etc.); (of persons, animals, etc.) inhabit, occupy, fill, esp. in p.p., as a *thickly* ~d country. [f. OF *peuple*, *poeppe*, etc., f. L *populus*]

***pép**, n. (sl.). Vigour, go, spirit. Hence ~P'Y² a. (sl.), full of ~. [abbr. *pepper*]

pēperi'nō (-rē-), n. Light porous (usu. brown) volcanic rock formed of sand, cinders, etc. [It., f. *pepere* PEPPER, see -INE¹]

pēpp'er¹, n. 1. Pungent aromatic condiment got from dried berries of certain plants used whole (~corns) or ground into powder; *Black P~*, plant chiefly used for this; *black*, *white*, ~ (from unripe, ripe, berries); CAYENNE ~; (fig.) anything pungent. 2. ~&-salt, cloth of dark & light wools woven together, showing small dots of dark & light intermingled; ~box, small usu. round box with perforated lid for sprinkling ~, [irregular buttress in Eton fives-court; ~castor, -er, =~box (1st sense); ~corn, dried berry of *Black P~*, esp. as nominal rent; ~mint, kind of mint grown for its essential oil, this oil, lozenge flavoured with ~mint; ~pot, =~castor, (also) W.-Ind. dish of meat etc. stewed with red ~ etc., (also, as nickname) Jamaican. [OE *pipor*, f. L *piper* = Gk *peperi* of oriental orig.]

pēpp'er², v.t. Sprinkle, treat, with pepper; besprinkle as with pepper; pelé with missiles (lit. or fig.); punish severely. [f. prec.]

pēpp'erý, a. Of, like, abounding in, pepper; (fig.) pungent, stinging, hot-tempered. [-Y²]

pēp'sin, n. A ferment contained in gastric juice, converting proteins into peptones in presence of weak acid. [f. Gk *pepsis* digestion (*pep-* cook) + -IN]

pēp'tic, a. & n. Digestive; ~ glands (secreting gastric juice); (n. pl., joc.) digestive organs. [f. Gk *peptikos* (as prec., see -IO)]

pēp'tiōne, n. Class of albuminoid substances soluble in water & non-coagulable by heat into which proteins are converted by the action of pepsin in the process of digestion. Hence ~ONIZE(3) v.t. [f. G *pepton* f. Gk *pepton* cooked]

pēr, prep. Through, by, by means of. 1. In L phrr. (usu. ital.); ~ *ann'um*, (so much) by the year, yearly; ~ *cap'ut* (or *erron*, ~ *cap'ta*), a head, each; ~ *con'tra* adv. & n., (on) the opposite side (of an

account etc.); ~ *di'ém, mèn'sém*, (so much) by the day, month; ~ *míll'è*, in or to the thousand; ~ *prócúrátlón'ém* (abbr. ~ *proc.*, ~ *pro.*, *p.p.*), by proxy, by the action of (person signing document); ~ *ed'lúm*, without intermediate steps, all at once; ~ *sé*, by or in itself, intrinsically. 2. As *E* prep.; by, by means or instrumentality of, as ~ *post, rail, steamer, bearer*; (joc.) as ~ *usual*, as usual; for each, as a *shilling ~ man*, 5 ~ *cent*; ~ *second ~ second*, ~ second every second (of rate of acceleration over indefinite period). [*L*]

per- in comb. = *prec.* 1. In *L* senses; through, all over. (~ *forate*, ~ *rude*); completely, very (~ *turb*); to destruction, to the bad, (~ *vert.* ~ *dition*). 2. Chem. denoting maximum of some element in combination; in names of binary compounds in *-ide* (formerly *-uret*), as ~ *chloride*, ~ *iodide*, ~ *oxide*, ~ *sulphide*; in *adj.* in *-ic* naming oxides, acids, etc., as ~ *chloric*, ~ *iodic*, ~ *manganic*; in names of salts of these etc., as ~ *chlorate*, ~ *iodate*, ~ *manganate*, ~ *sulphate*.

peradvén'ture, *adv.* & *n.* (arch.). 1. Perhaps; if, lest, ~, if, lest, it chance that. 2. *n.* Uncertainty, chance, conjecture; *be-yond, without, (all) ~ (doubt)*. [*f.* *OF per* or *par aventure* by chance (*PER + aventure ADVENTURE*)]

péral' (-rahí, -rí), **píra'ya** (-rahya), *n.* Voracious Amer. freshwater fish. [native (-ya)]

pérám'búláte, *v.t.* Walk through, over, or about; travel through & inspect (territory); formally establish boundaries of (parish etc.) by walking round them. Hence or cogn. ~ *A'TION n.*, ~ *átory a.* [*f.* *L PER(ambulare walk)*, see *-ATE*³]

|| **pérám'búlátor**, *n.* Hand carriage for one or two children, with three or four wheels, pushed from behind (colloq. abbr. *prám*). [*f.* *prec.* + *-OR*²]

percále' (or -ahl), *n.* A closely woven cotton fabric. [*F*, etym. dub.]

perceive' (-sév), *v.t.* Apprehend with the mind, observe, understand, (circumstance, *that, how*, etc.); apprehend through one of the senses, esp. sight. [*f.* *OF perçevire*, + *ceivre*, *f.* *L PER(cipere cept = capere take) seize thoroughly*]

percén'tage, *n.* Rate, proportion, per cent; (loosely) proportion, as *only a small ~ of books are worth reading*. [*-AGE*]

per'cépt, *n.* (philos.). Object of perception; mental product, as opp. to action, of perceiving. [*as PERCEIVE*]

percép'tible, *a.* That can be perceived by senses or intellect. Hence ~ *ihl'íty n.*, ~ *ibly*³ *adv.* [*f.* *LL perceptibilis* (*as prec.*, see *-BLE*)]

percép'tion, *n.* Act, faculty, of perceiving; intuitive recognition (*of truth, aesthetic quality*, etc.); (Philos.) action by which the mind refers its sensations to

external object as cause; (Law) collection (of rents etc.). Hence ~ *ional* (-sho-), ~ *ive*, *na.*, ~ *ively*³ *adv.*, ~ *iveness*, **per'céptiv'íty**, *nn.* [*OF, f. L perceptionem* (*as PERCEIVE*, see *-ION*)]

perch¹, *n.* European spiny-finned freshwater fish, used as food. [*f.* *F perche f.* *L f.* *Gk perke*]

perch², *n.* 1. Horizontal bar for bird to rest upon; anything serving for this, as *bird takes its ~ (alights)*; (fig.) elevated or secure position; *hop the ~, die, knock (person) off his ~, vanquish, destroy, him*; centre pole of some four-wheeled vehicles. 2. (Also *pole, rod*) measure of length esp. for land, 5½ yds; *square ~, 30¼ sq. yds.* [*f.* *F perche f. L perica pole*]

perch³, *v.i.* & *t.* Alight, rest, as bird (*upon bough etc.*); (of person etc.) settle, alight, (*upon*); place (as) upon perch (esp. in *p.p.*, as *torn ~ed on a hill*). Hence ~ *ER*³ *n.*, (one of) a large class of passerine birds with feet adapted for ~ing. [*f.* *F percher, as prec.*]

perchance' (-ah-), *adv.* (arch.). By chance; possibly, maybe. [*f.* *AF par chance* (*par* by + *chance*)]

percheron (pür'sherawù), *n.* Strong & swift horse bred in le Perche, district of France. [*F*]

percip'ient, *a.* & *n.* 1. Perceiving, conscious. 2. *n.* One who perceives esp. (Telepathy) something outside range of senses. Hence ~ *ENCE n.* [*f.* *L as PERCEIVE*, see *-ENT*]

perc'oláte, *v.i.* & *t.* (Of liquid) filter, ooze, through (also fig.); (trans.) ooze through, permeate; (of person or strainer) strain (liquid, powder) through pores etc. Hence or cogn. ~ *A'TION*, ~ *átor*² (2), *nn.* [*f.* *L PER(colare strain, column strainer)*, *-ATE*²]

percúss', *v.t.* (med.). Tap gently with finger or instrument for purposes of diagnosis etc. [*f.* *L PER(cutere cuss = quater shake) strike*]

percú'ssion (-shu), *n.* forcible striking of one (usu. solid) body against another; (Med.) percussing; (Mus.) instrument of (played by) ~; ~ *cap*, small copper cap or cylinder in fire-arm, containing fulminating powder and exploded by ~ of a hammer. So **percú'ss'ive a.** [*f.* *L percussio* (*as prec.*, see *-ION*)]

percütán'eous, *a.* Made, done, through the skin. [*PER + CUTANEOUS*]

perdi'tion, *n.* Eternal death, damnation. [*f.* *OF perdition f. L perditionem f. PER(dere dit = dare give) destroy*, see *-ION*]

per'dü(e)', *a.* (Mil.) placed as an outpost in hiding, esp. *lie ~*; (often as *F*, with fem. *-due*) hidden. [*F*, *p.p.* of *perdre* lose, *as prec.*]

perdúr'able, *a.* Permanent; eternal; durable. Hence or cogn. ~ *abl'íty n.*, ~ *ably*³ *adv.* [*OF, f. L PER(durabilis DURABLE)*]

père (pâr, & see Ap.), n. Father (appended to surname to distinguish father from son, cf. FILS). [F]

pé'régrin[âte], v.i. (now joc.). Travel, journey. So ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR², nn. [f. L *peregrinari* (as foll.), see -ATE²]

pé'régri(n)e, a. & n. 1. (arch.). Foreign, imported from abroad, outlandish. 2. ~ (falcon), kind esteemed for hawking. (f. L *peregrinus* (*peregre* abroad, f. PER + *ager* field, soc -INE¹))

pé'rémptor[î] (or *perémp¹*), a. Final, esp. (Law) ~y *mandamus* (in which the command is absolute), ~y *writ* (enforcing defendant's appearance without option); (of statement or command) admitting no denial or refusal; absolutely fixed, essential; (of person etc.) dogmatic, imperious, dictatorial. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *peremptorius* destructive f. PER(*imere* *emul* = *emere* take, buy) destroy, cut off, sec -ORY]

perén'ni'al (-nyal), a. & n. 1. Lasting through, (of stream) flowing through all seasons of, the year; lasting long or for ever; (of plant) living several years (cf. ANNUAL). 2. n. ~ plant. Hence **perén'niâl'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L PER(*ennis* f. *annus* year) + -AL]

per'fêct¹, a. & n. 1. Complete, not deficient; faultless; (of lesson) thoroughly learned; thoroughly trained or skilled (in duties etc.); exact, precise, as a ~ square, circle; entire, unqualified, as a ~ stranger, ~ nonsense; (Gram., of tense) denoting completed event or action viewed in relation to the present (*future* ~, giving sense *will have done*); (Bot.) having all four whorls of the flower; (Mus.) ~ interval, fourth & fifth as they would occur in the major or minor scale starting upon the lower note of the interval, also the octave. 2. n. ~ tense. Hence ~LY¹ adv., (esp.) quite, quite well, completely, ~NESS n. [f. OF *parfit* f. L PER(*ficere* *sect* = *facere* do) complete]

per'fêct² (or *per'fêkt*), v.t. Complete, carry through; make perfect; improve. Hence ~IBLY¹ n., **per'fêc'tible** a. [f. prec.]

per'fêc'tion, n. Completion; making perfect; full development; faultlessness; (loosely) comparative excellence; perfect person or thing; highest pitch, extreme, perfect specimen or manifestation, (of quality etc.); (w. pl.) accomplishment. [OF, f. L *perfectionem* (as PERFECT¹, see -ION)]

per'fêc'tion[ist] (-sho-), n. One who holds that religious or moral perfection may be attained; (P~ist) member of communistic community of Oneida Creek, N.Y. So ~ISM n. [-IST]

per'fêrv'id, a. Very fervid. [PER-]

per'fidy, n. Breach of faith, treachery. Hence or cogn. **perfid'ious** a., **perfid'iously** adv., **perfid'iousness** n. [f. F

perfidie f. L *perfidia* f. PER(*fidus* f. *fides* faith) treacherous]

per'fôl'iate, a. (bot.). Having the stalk apparently passing through the leaf. [f. PER + L *folium* leaf + -ATE²]

per'fôr[âte], v.t. & i. Make hole(s) through, pierce, esp. make rows of holes in (sheet) to separate stamps, coupons, etc., make an opening into; pass, extend, through; (intr.) penetrate (*into*, *through*, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~ÂTOR²(2), nn., ~ÂTIVE a. [f. L PER(*forare* bore), see -ATE²]

per'fôrce', adv. & n. Of necessity; (n., rare) necessity, esp. of, by, ~. [f. OF *par force* by FORCE]

per'fôr'm', v.t. & i. Carry into effect (command, promise, task, operation, etc.); go through, execute, (public function, play, piece of music, etc.); (intr.) act in play, play, sing, etc.; (of trained animals) execute tricks etc. at public show etc., whence ~ING² a. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [OF (*par* PER + *former* FORM, or PERH. corrupt. of *parfournir* f. *fournir* FURNISH)]

per'fôr'm'ance, n. Execution (of command etc.); carrying out, doing; notable feat; performing of play or public exhibition, as there are two ~s a day, the *afternoon* ~. [-ANCE]

per'fûme¹, n. Odorous fumes of burning substance; sweet smell; smell; fluid containing essence of flowers etc., scent. Hence ~LESS a. [f. F *parfum*, as foll.]

per'fûme², v.t. Impart sweet scent to, impregnate with sweet smell, (esp. in p.p.). [f. F *parfumer* (PER + L *fumare* smoke)]

per'fûm'er, n. Maker, seller, of perfumes. Hence ~ERY(1, 2, 3) n. [-ER¹]

per'fûnc'tor[î], a. Done merely for sake of getting through a duty, acting thus, superficial, mechanical, as a ~y inspection, inquirer, in a ~y manner. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. LL *perfunctorius* f. PER(*fungi* *funct* -perform), sec -ORY]

per'fûse' (-z), v.t. Besprinkle (*with water* etc.); cover, suffuse, (*with radiance* etc.); pour (*water* etc.) through or over. Hence or cogn. **per'fû'sion** (-zhn) n., **per'fûs'ive** a. [f. L PER(*fundere* *pour*)]

pergamên'êous, a. Of or like parchment. [f. L as PARCHMENT + -EUS]

per'g'ola, n. Arbour, covered walk, formed of growing plants trained over trellis-work. [It., f. L *pergula* projecting roof (*pergere* proceed)]

pergûnn'ah (-a), -ga'na (-gû-), n. Division of territory in India, group of villages. [f. Pers. & Hind. *parganah* district]

per'hâps' (colloq. *prâps*), adv. It may be, possibly, as ~ he has lost it, he has ~ lost it, ~ you would like to see it? [PER + HAPS (pl.)]

per'i, n. (Pers. Myth.) fairy, good (orig. evil) genius; beautiful or graceful being. [Pers.]

per'i- in comb. = Gk *peri* round, about,

as: *pé'rianth*, floral envelope; *~cardi'is* n., inflammation of the *~cardium*; *~card'ium*, membranous sac enclosing the heart, so *~card'iac*, *~card'ial*, aa.; *pé'ricarp*, seed-vessel, wall of ripened ovary of plant; *~chon'drium* (-k-), membrane enveloping cartilages (except at joints); *~clín'al* (Geol.), sloping in all directions from central point; *~gínous* (perif.), (of stamen) situated around pistil or ovary; *~ós'teum*, membrane enveloping the bones, so *~ós'teal* a., *~ostit'is* n.; *~pteral* (perip.), (of temple) surrounded by single row of pillars; *pé'risperm*, mass of albumen outside embryo-sac in some seeds; *pé'ristome*, (Bot.) fringe of small teeth around mouth of capsule in mosses, (Zool.) parts around mouth in various invertebrates; *~típhlit'is*, inflammation of some part around the caecum, e.g. appendicitis.

pé'riápt, n. Thing worn about the person as charm, amulet. [f. *F* *périapte* f. *Gk* *PERI*(*apton* f. *hapto* fasten)]

pé'riclásc, n. Mineral consisting of magnetite & protoxide of iron, found esp. at Vesuvius. [f. *PERI*- (in sense 'very') + *Gk* *klasis* breaking, from its perfect cleavage]

peric'opé, n. Short passage, paragraph; portion of Scripture read in public worship. [f. *LL* f. *Gk* *PERI*(*kopé* cutting f. *koptō* cut)]

pé'ricrā'nium, n. Membrane enveloping skull; (joc.) skull, brain, intellect. [f. *Gk* *PERI*(*kranion* CRANIUM)]

pé'ridōt, n. (Jeweller's name for) olivine, kind of chrysolite. [f. *F* *péridot*, etym. dub.]

pé'rigée, n. That point in planet's (esp. moon's) orbit at which it is nearest to earth (of. *APOGEE*). Hence **pé'rigé'an** a. [f. *F* *périgée* f. *LL* f. late *Gk* *PERI*(*geion* f. *gē* earth)]

pé'rihél'ion (-lyon), n. That point in planet's orbit at which it is nearest to sun (cf. *APHELION*). [f. *PERI*- + *Gk* *hēlios* sun]

pé'ril, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Danger; in ~ of (in danger of losing) one's life etc.; you do it at your ~, you take the risk; keep off at your ~ (take the risk if you do not). 2. v.t. Expose to danger, imperil. Hence or cogn. *~ous* a., *~ously*² adv., *~ousness* n. [(vb f. n.) f. *F* *péril* f. *L* *periculum* (-*periri* try)]

perim'éter, n. Circumference, outline, of closed figure; length of this; instrument for measuring the field of vision. [f. *L* f. *Gk* *PERI*(*metros* f. *metron* measure)]

pé'riné'um, n. (anat.). Region of the body between anus & scrotum or vulva. Hence *~AL* a. [*LL* f. *Gk* *périnaios*, cf. *périssinos* scrotum]

pér'iod, n. & a. 1. Round of time marked

by recurrence of astronomical coincidences; time of planet's revolution. 2. Time during which disease runs its course; (pl.) menses. 3. Indefinite portion of history, life, etc.; any portion of time; the ~, the present day (the girl, costume, catchwords, etc., of the ~). 4. Complete sentence, esp. one of several clauses; (pl.) rhetorical language. 5. Full pause at end of sentence, full stop (.) marking this, (put a ~ to, bring to an end). 6. Set of figures marked off in large number, as in numeration, recurring decimals, etc. 7. adj. Belonging to, characteristic of, a particular (past) ~ (esp. of furniture, dress, & architecture). [f. *F* *période* f. *L* f. *Gk* *PERI*(*odos* = *hodos* way)]

périōd'ic, a. Of revolution of heavenly body, as ~ motion; recurring at regular intervals, so **périōd'icity** n.; recurring at intervals; ~ table (Chem.), arrangement of elements in order of atomic numbers & in which elements of similar chemical properties appear periodically & fall into definite groups; expressed in (rhetorical) periods. [f. *F* *périodique* f. *L* f. (*Gk* *periódikos* (as prec., see -ic)]

périōd'ical, a. & n. 1. = prec. (not in last sense). 2. (Magazine, miscellany) published at regular intervals, e.g. monthly. Hence *~LY*² adv. [-*AL*]

pé'ripatēt'ic, a. & n. 1. (*P~ic*). Aristotelian (a. & n.; so called from Aristotle's custom of walking in Lyceum while teaching). 2. Walking from place to place on one's business, itinerant, whence *~ICALLY* adv. 3. n. (chiefly joc.). Itinerant dealer. Hence *~ICISM*(2, 3) n. [f. *F* *péripatétique* f. *L* f. (*Gk* *peripatētikos* f. *PERI*(*pateō* walk, see -ic)]

pé'ripéte'l'a (-ia), -tia, n. Sudden change of fortune in drama or in life. [*Gk* *PERI*(*petela* f. *pet-* fall)]

periph'er'y, n. Bounding line esp. of round surface; external boundary or surface. Hence *~AL* a., *~ALLY*² adv. [f. *OF* *periferie* f. *LL* f. *Gk* *PERI*(*phereia* f. *phērō* bear) circumference]

periph'ras'is, n. (pl. -ēs). Roundabout way of speaking, circumlocution; roundabout phrase. Hence or cogn. **péri-phrás'tic** a. (*~tic* conjugation, genitive, one formed ANALYTICALLY w. aux. vb. w. preposition, instead of by inflexion, as *did go* = went, of *Caesar* = Caesar's), **péri-phrás'tically** adv. [*L* f. *Gk*, f. *PERI*(*phrazō* declare, vb1 adj. -*phrastōs*); also anglicized *pé'riphrase* (pl. pron. -iz)]

perique' (-ék), n. Dark Louisiana tobacco of a choice kind. [?]

pé'riscope, n. Kinds of tube-&-mirror apparatus by which an observer in a trench or in a submarine submerged to a small depth can see things above the parapet or water; kind of photographic

object-glass. Hence **pěriscōp'ic** a., enabling one to see distinctly for some distance round axis of vision. [PERI-, -SCOPE]

pě'rish, v.i. & t. Suffer destruction, lose life, come to untimely end (by the sword etc.); (of cold or exposure) reduce to distress or inefficiency (usu. in pass.; *we were ~ed with cold; in ~ing cold; the heat had ~ed all vegetation*), whence **~ingly** adv.; *we were ~ed* (much incommoded) *with cold, hunger*, etc. Hence **~er** n. (sl.), blighter, **~ing** a. (sl.), beastly, bloody. [f. OF *perir* (see -ISH) f. L *PER(ire)* go perish]

pě'rishable, a. & n. 1. Liable to perish; subject to speedy decay. 2. n. pl. Things (esp. foodstuffs in transit) subject to this. Hence **~NESS** n. [-ABLE]

pě'rispōme, **pěrispōm'ēnon** (pl. -*ēna*), a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Word) with circumflex accent on last syllable. [abbr. of Gk *perispōmenon* (also used in k) neut. part. of PERI(*spōdō* draw) draw round, mark with circumflex]

periss'o- in comb. = Gk *perissos*, uneven, odd, redundant, as **~dactylate** (Zool.), having an odd number of toes on each foot.

peris'talith, n. (archaeol.). Ring of standing stones round burial-mound etc. [irreg. f. Gk *PERI(statos)* standing] + -LITH]

pěristāl'sis, n. (physiol.). Automatic muscular movement consisting of wave-like contractions in successive circles, by which contents of alimentary canal etc. are propelled along it. Hence or cogn. **~tic** a., **~tically** adv. [Gk, f. PERI(*stellō* send)]

peristerōn'ic, a. Of pigeons. [prob. f. Gk *peristerā* dovescot (*peristera* dove)]

pě'ristyle, n. Row of columns surrounding temple, court, cloister, etc.; space so surrounded. [f. F *péristyle* f. L f. Gk *PERI(stulon)* f. *stulos* pillar]

pěriton'icūm, -*nae'um*, n. (anat.). Double serous membrane lining cavity of abdomen. Hence **~ē'al** a., **~it'is** n. [L, f. Gk *PERI(tonaion)* f. *ton-* stem of *teino* stretch]

pě'riwig, n. Wig. Hence **~grē** (gd) a. [earlier *perwyke* f. F as *PERUKE*]

pě'riwinkle n. Kinds of plants, esp. Lesser & Greater P~, evergreen trailing plants with light-blue flowers; **~** (blue), colour of ~s. [OE *perwince* f. L *pervinca*]

pě'riwinkle n. Gastropod mollusc much used for food. [OE has *pinewinclan*, wine-]

pě'rj'urle (-jer), v. refl. *~e* oneself, forswear oneself; (p.p.) guilty of perjury. So **~er** (-er) n. [f. OF *parjurer* f. L *PER(jurare)* swear]

pě'rj'ury (-eri), n. Swearing to statement known to be false; wilful utterance of false evidence while on oath; breach of oath. So **perjur'ious** (-joor-) a., **perjur'iously**

adv. [f. AF *perjurie* f. L *perjurium* as prec.]

pěrk n. v.i. & t., & a. (Also ~ *up*) lift one's head, thrust oneself forward, briskly or impudently; (trns.) smarten up; hold up (head, tail) self-assertively; (adj., rare) perky. [f]

pěrk n. (sl.). (Usu. pl.) perquisite. [abbr.]

pěrk'y, a. Self-assertive, saucy, pert. Hence **~ily** adv. **~iness** n. [PERK + Y]

pěrl'ite, n. Obsidian or other vitreous rock in form of enamel-like globules. [F, as PEARL, see -ITE]

pěrm, n. (colloq.). Permanent wave. [abbr.]

pěrm'alloy, n. Alloy of nickel & iron of great sensitiveness to magnetic forces, used for cores of telegraphic cables. [f. PERM(EABLE) + ALLOY]

pěrm'anent, a. Lasting, intended to last, indefinitely (cf. TEMPORARY); ~ *set*, condition of metal after being subjected to the strain of use; ~ *wave*, lasting artificial wave in the hair produced by one of several processes (colloq. abbr. *perm*); ~ *way*, finished road-bed of railway. Hence or cogn. **pěrm'anence**, **pěrm'anency** (esp. = thing or arrangement), nn., ~LY adv. [f. L *PERmanentē* remain, -ENT]

permāng'anate (-ngg-), n. (chem.). Salt of permanganic acid, esp. *potassium* ~ or ~ of *potash*, used as disinfectant & oxidizer when dissolved in water. [f. foll., -ATE(3)]

permāngān'ic (-ngg-), a. (chem.). ~ *acid*, acid obtained from manganese. [PER-, MANGAN(ENE), -IC]

pěrm'ēlate, v.t. & i. Penetrate, pervade, saturate; diffuse itself through, among, etc. Hence or cogn. **~ability**, **~ance**, ~A'TION, nn., ~ABLE, ~ANT, aa. [f. L *PER(meare)* run. see -ATE]

Pěrm'ian, a. Of the uppermost division of the Palaeozoic series of strata, consisting chiefly of red sandstone & magnesian limestone. [Perm., E.-Russian province, -I -IAN]

permiss'ible, a. Allowable. Hence ~LY adv. [OF, prob. f. med. L *permissibilis* (as PERMIT, see -BLE)]

permiss'ion (-shn), n. Leave, licence, (to do). [f. L *permissio* (as PERMIT, see -ION)]

permiss'ive, a. Giving permission; ~ *legislation* (giving powers, but not enjoining their use). Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [OF (-if, -ive), as foll., see -IVE]

permit n. v.t. & i. (-it-). Allow, as ~ *me to remark*, *appeals are ~ed*, ~ *it to be altered*, *weather ~ing* (intr.) admit of (alteration etc.). [f. L *PER(mittere)* miss- let go]

pěrm'it n. Written order giving permission esp. for landing or removal of dutiable goods etc.; (also *permit*) permission. [f. prec.]

pěrmūtā'tion, n. (Math.) variation of the

- order of a set of things lineally arranged, any one such arrangement; (rare) alteration. [f. OF *permutacion* f. L *permutacionem* (foll., -ION)]
- permüte**, v.t. Alter the order of. [f. L *PER(mutare) change*]
- pérn**, n. HONEY-buzzard. [irreg. f. Gk *pternis*, kind of hawk]
- perni'cious** (-shus), a. Destructive, ruinous, fatal; ~ *anaemia*, severe frog, fatal kind. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *pernicieux* f. L *perniciosus* (*pernicius* ruin f. *PER* + *nox* necis death, see -OUS)]
- pernick'etý**, a. (colloq.). Fastidious; ticklish, requiring careful handling. [?]
- pérnôctā'tion**, n. Passing the night; (Eccl.) all-night vigil. [f. L *pernoctatio* f. *PER(noctare f. nox noctis* night), see -ATION]
- pérorā'te**, v.i. Sum up & conclude speech, whence ~ATION n.; speak at length. [f. L *PER(orare) speak*]
- peróx'ide**, n., & v.t. 1. (Chem.) compound of oxygen with another element containing the greatest possible proportion of oxygen; (pop.) = ~ of *hydrogen*, a colourless viscid liquid used as an antiseptic, and (esp.) to bleach hair. 2. v.t. Bleach (hair) with this. [*PER*-2 + *OXIDE*]
- perpénd'¹**, v.t. (arch.). Ponder, consider, (matter, or abs.). [f. L *PER(pendere) weigh*]
- perp'end²**, n. Var. of *PARFEN*.
- perpéndic'ular**, a. & n. 1. At right angles to plane of horizon; (loosely, of ascent etc.) very steep; erect, upright; (joc.) in standing position; (Geom.) at right angles (to given line, plane, or surface); ~STYLE. 2. n. Plumb-rule or other instrument for showing ~line; (pl.) two datum-lines used in designing ship & fixing its nominal length (between ~s); ~line; the ~, ~line or direction (is out of ~ or the ~, not straight up and down); || (sl.) meal etc. at which guests stand. Hence ~ITY (-ú'r-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *perpendicular* f. L *perpendicularis* (*perpendicularum* plumb-line, see -AR³)]
- perp'etrā'te**, v.t. Perform, commit, (crime, blunder, pun or other thing viewed as outrageous). So ~ATION, ~āTOR², nn. [f. L *PER(petrare = patrare effect)*, -ATE³]
- perpét'ual**, a. Eternal; permanent during life; applicable, valid, for ever or for indefinite time; ~motion (of machine that should go on for ever unless stopped by external force or worn out); continuous; (colloq.) frequent, repeated, as *this ~ nagging*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *perpétuel* f. L *perpetualis* f. *perpetuus* (perh. f. *PER* + *petere* seek), see -AL]
- perpét'üā'te**, v.t. Make perpetual; preserve from oblivion. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE, ~ATION, ~āTOR², nn. [f. L *PERpetuare* (as prec.), see -ATE³]
- perpétu'ity**, n. Quality of being perpetual; *in, to, for, ~, for ever*; perpetual possession or position; perpetual annuity. [f. F *perpétuité* f. L *perpetuitatem* (as *PERPETUAL*, see -TY)]
- perpléx'**, v.t. Bewilder, puzzle, (person, his mind); complicate, confuse, (matter); entangle, intertwine, (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~edly², ~ingly², adv. [f. obs. *perplex* a. f. L *PER(plexus p.p. of plectere* plait)]
- perpléx'ity**, n. Bewilderment; what causes this; entangled state. [f. LL *perplexitas* (as proc., see -TY)]
- pérq'uisite** (-z), n. (sl. abbr. *perk*). Casual profit, esp. || (Law) that coming to lord of manor beyond regular revenue; thing that has served its primary use and to which subordinate or servant has then a customary right, as *remains of the daily commons are among the ~s of college scouts*; customary gratuity. [f. L *PER(quirere) quisit-*, = *quacere* seek) search narrowly for]
- pér'ron**, n. Platform in front of door of church or other large building, ascended by steps. [f. f. L *perla* stone, see -OON]
- pér'rrý**, n. Drink from juice of pears fermented. [f. OF *peré* f. LL *pera* = L *pirum* pear]
- pér'se**, a. & n. (arch.). Bluish-grey, bluish grey. [ME, f. OF *pers* f. LL *persus* etym. dub.]
- pér'séc'üte**, v.t. Pursue with enmity and injury (esp. holder of opinion held to be heretical); harass, worry; importune (person with questions etc.). So ~UTION n. (~ution mania, insane delusion that one is ~uted), ~ÜTOR² n. [f. F *persécuter* f. L *PER(ssequi) secut-* follow) pursue]
- pér'sévér'ance**, n. Steadfast pursuit of an aim, constant persistence, so ~ANT a. (rare); (Theol.) continuance in state of grace. [f. F *persévérance* f. L *perseverantia* (as foll., see -ANCE)]
- pér'sévér'e'**, v.i. Continue steadfastly, persist, (*in course, in doing, with task, or abs.*). Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. F *persévérer* f. L *perseverare* f. *PER(severus SEVERE)*]
- Pér'sian** (-shn), a. & n. (Inhabitant, language) of Persia, as ~ *carpet, cat* (with long silky hair & thick tail). [-AN]
- pér'siënnes'** (-nz), n. pl. Outside window blinds of light horizontal laths. [F, = Persian (fem. pl. adj.)]
- pér'siflage** (-ahzh), n. Light raillery, banter. [F, f. *PER(sifler = siffer* f. L *sibilare* whistle), see -AGE]
- persimm'on**, n. American date-plum, yellow fruit becoming sweet when softened by frost. [corrupt. of native name]
- persist'**, v.i. Continue firmly or obstinately (*in opinion, course, doing*) esp. against remonstrance etc.; continue in existence, survive. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENOY, nn., ~ENT a. (esp., in Zool. & Bot., of horns, hair, leaves, etc.) permanent (opp. DECIDUOUS), ~ently² adv. [f. L *PER(sistere) stand*)]

pér'son, n. 1. Individual human being; (derog.) *who is this ~?*; *young ~*, young man or (usu.) woman; living body of human being, as *he had a fine ~*, *attracted by her fortune not her ~*; *acting, appearing, in his own (proper) ~* or *in ~* (himself, personally); *found a friend in (the ~ of) his landlord*; (Law) human being (*natural ~*) or body corporate (*artificial ~*) with recognized rights & duties; character in play or story. 2. *The three ~s* (modes of being) of the Godhead, Father, Son, Holy Spirit. 3. (gram.). Each of the three classes of personal pronouns etc. denoting respectively the ~ etc. speaking (*first ~*), spoken to (*second ~*), & spoken of (*third ~*). 4. (zool.). Individual of a compound or colonial organism. [f. OF *persone* f. L *persona* player's mask, character in play, (LL) human being, perh. cogn. w. PER(*sonare* sound)]

pér'son'a, n. Person, as: *grát'a*, acceptable person; IN *próp'ria* ~. [L]

pér'sonable, a. Handsome, comely. [-ABLE]

pér'sonage, n. Person of rank or importance; person; character in play etc. [OF, =med. L *personatrum* (as PERSON, see -AGE)]

pér'sonal, a. & n. 1. One's own, individual, private, as *to suit his ~ convenience*, *this is ~ to myself*; done, made, etc., in person, as *~ service*, *acquaintance*, *interview*; directed, referring, (esp. hostilely) to an individual, as *~ abuse*, *remarks*; *~ column*, part of a newspaper devoted to short advertisements of a ~ or semi-~ nature; making, given to making, ~ remarks, as *do not let us become ~*; (Law) *~ property*, *estate*, chattels or chattel interests in land, all property except land and those interests in land that pass to one's heir, (cf. REAL); (Gram.) of, denoting, one of the three persons, esp. ~ pronouns. 2. n. (usu. pl.). *Newspaper paragraph relating to individual person(s). [OF, f. L *personalis* (PERSON, -AL)]

pér'sonál'it'y, n. Being a person; personal existence or identity; distinctive personal character; person; (of remarks) fact of being aimed at an individual, (usu. pl.) such remark(s); (rare)=PERSONALTY; *multiple ~y* (Psych.), the apparent existence of two or more distinct and alternating ~ies in a single individual. [f. OF *personalité* f. med. L *personalitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

pér'sonaliz'e, v.t. Personify. Hence ~A'TION n. (PERSONAL + -IZE)

pér'sonally, adv. In person, in one's own person, as *he conducted them ~*, a *~ conducted tour* (conducted by someone in person), *writ was served on them ~*; a *God existing ~* (as a person); for one's own part, as *~ I see no objection*. [-LY²]

pér'sonality, n. Personal estate. [f. AF *personallie* PERSONALITY]

pér'sonate¹, a. (bot.). Having the opening of the lips closed by upward projection of the lower, as in snapdragon. [f. L *personatus* masked (as foll., see -ATE²)]

pér's'onlâte², v.t. Play the part of (character in drama, also fig.); pretend to be (person) esp. for fraudulent purpose. Hence ~A'TION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. LL *personare* (as PERSON), see -ATE³]

pér'sonificá'tion, n. Personifying; person, thing, viewed as striking example or embodiment of (quality etc.). [f. foll., see -IFICATION]

pér'son'ify, v.t. Attribute personal nature to (abstraction); symbolize (quality) by figure in human form; embody (quality) in one's own person, exemplify typically, (esp. in p.p.). [prob. f. F *personnifier*, see PERSON & -FY]

pér'sonnél', n. Body of persons engaged in some public service or in a factory, office, etc. (opp. MATÉRIEL). [F, = PERSONAL, adj. as n.]

pér'spéc'tive, n. & a. 1. Art of delineating solid objects on plane surface so as to give same impression of relative positions, magnitudes, etc., as the actual objects do when viewed from particular point; picture so drawn; apparent relation between visible objects as to position, distance, etc.; *linear ~* (concerned with apparent form, magnitude, & position, of objects); (fig.) relation in which parts of subject are viewed by the mind; view, prospect, (lit. & fig.); *in* (drawn according to rules of) ~. 2. adj. Of, in, ~, whence ~LY² adv. [f. mod. L *perspectiva* (ars art) f. PER(*spicere* spect-look), see -IVE]

pér'spéx, n. Tough unsplinterable plastic material, much lighter than glass, widely used for transparent parts of aircraft. [P; f. L PER(*spicere* spect-look)]

pér'spíca'cious (-shus), a. Having mental penetration or discernment. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **pér'spíca'city** n. [f. L *perspicax* (as prec., see -ACIOUS)]

pér'spícu'ous, a. Easily understood, clearly expressed; (of person) clear in expression. Hence or cogn. **pér'spícu'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *perspicuus* (as prec.), + -OUS]

pér'spí'r'able, a. Allowing the passage of perspiration; that can be thrown off in perspiration. [f. PERSPIRE + -ABLE]

pér'spíra'tion, n. Sweating; sweat. So **pér'spí'ratory** a. [F (as foll., -ATION)]

pér'spí're, v.i. & t. Sweat; (trans.) give off (liquid) through pores in form of vapour or moisture. [f. L PER(*spirare* breathe) breathe, (of wind) blow]

pér'suáde' (-sw-), v.t. Convince (person, oneself, of fact, that thing is so); induce (person to do, into action); (p.p.) convinced (of thing, that). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, **pér'suás'ible**, aa., **pér'suási-bil'ity** n., (-sw-). [f. L PER(*suadere* suadeadvise)]

persuād'er (-sw-), n. Person or thing that persuades, esp. (pl., sl.) spurs (*clap in the ~s*, spur horse). [-PER¹]

persuasion (-swāzhn), n. Persuading; persuasiveness; conviction, as *it is my priale ~ that he is mad*; religious belief; sect holding this, as *he is of the Roman Catholic ~*; (joc.) race, kind, sort, as *a man of the Jewish ~* (Jew), *no one of the male ~ was there*. [f. L *persuasio* (as prec. see -ION)]

persuās'ive (-sw-), a. & n. Able to persuade, winning; (n.) motive, inducement. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *persuasivus* (as PERSUADE, see -IVE)]

pért, a. Forward, saucy, in speech or conduct. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [earlier (& OF) *apert* f. L (1) *apertus* p.p. of *aperire* open (2) *expertus* EXPERT]

pertain, v.i. Belong as part, appendage, or accessory, to; be appropriate to; have reference, relate, to. [f. OF *pertenir* f. L *PER(tinēre = tenere* hold)]

pértinā'cious (-shus), a. Stubborn, persistent, obstinate. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **pértinā'cious**, nn. [f. L *PER(tinax = lenax* TENACIOUS)]

pértinent, a. & n. Pertaining, relevant, apposite, (to matter in hand etc.); to the point; || (n., usu. pl.) appurtenance(s). Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L as PERTAIN, see -ENT]

pérturb, v.t. Throw into (physical) confusion; disturb mentally, agitate. So **pérturbat'ion** (-ter-) n., ~ative (or *pért'urbāt-*) a. [f. L *PER(turbare* disturb)]

peruke (-wūk), n. Wig. [f. F *perruque* f. It. *perruca*, *purrueca*, perh. ult. f. L *pilus* hair] **peruse** (-goz), v.t. Read thoroughly or carefully; read; (fig.) examine (person's face etc.) carefully. Hence **peru'sal** (-goz) n. [(In earlier sense 'use up')] **PER- + USE**

Peru'vian (-vō-), a. & n. 1. Of Peru; ~ bark (of CINCHONA tree). 2. Native of Peru. [f. mod. L *Peruvia* Peru + -AN]

pervād'e, v.t. Spread through, permeate, saturate, (often fig. of influences etc.). Hence or cogn. **pervā'sion** (-zhn), **pervās'iveness**, nn., **pervās'ive** a., **pervās'ively**² adv. [f. L *PER(vadere* vas- go)]

pervérse, a. Persistent in error; different from what is reasonable or required; wayward; peevish; perverted, wicked; (of verdict) against weight of evidence or judge's direction. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **pervér'sity**, nn. [F (-rs, -rse), f. L as foll.]

pervért'¹, v.t. Turn aside (thing) from its proper use; misconstrue, misapply, (words etc.); lead astray (person, mind) from right opinion or conduct or esp. religious belief. Hence or cogn. **pervér't'sion** (-shn) n., **pervér'sive** a. [f. F *pervertir* f. L *PER(vertere* vers- turn)]

pervért'², n. Perverted person, apostate. [f. prec., cf. CONVERT¹]

pérv'ious, a. Affording passage (to); permeable; (fig.) accessible (to reason etc.). Hence ~NESS n. [f. L *PER(vius* f. *via* way) + -OUS]

pése'ta (-sā-), n. Spanish silver coin nominally worth about 10d. [Sp.]

Peshi'tō, -itta, (-shē-), n. Principal ancient Syriac version of O. & N.T. [f. Syriac *p'shūt*(t)ā, -ō, simple]

peshwa (pāsh'wab), n. (hist.). Hereditary sovereign (earlier, chief minister) of the Mahratta State. [Pers., = chief]

***pēs'k'y**, a. (colloq.). Troublesome, confounded, annoying, plaguy. [?]

pe'sō (pā-), n. Silver coin worth about 4s., used in most S.-Amer. republics. [Sp.]

pess'ary, n. (med.). Instrument worn in the vagina to prevent uterine displacements; vaginal suppository. [f. med. L *pessarium* f. L f. Gk *pessos* oval stone used in game like draughts]

pess'imism, n. Tendency to look at the worst aspect of things (cf. OPTIMISM); doctrine that this world is the worst possible, or that all things tend to evil. So ~IST n., ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv. [f. L *pessimus* worst + -ISM]

pést, n. Troublesome or destructive person, animal, or thing; (now rare) pestilence; ~-house, hospital for plague etc. [f. F *peste* f. L *pestis* plague]

pēs'ter, v.t. Trouble, plague. [perh. f. F *EM(pestrer* f. L *pastorium* tether, as PASTOR)]

péstif'erous, a. Noxious, pestilential; (fig.) bearing moral contagion, pernicious. [f. L *pestifer* (as PEST, see -FEROUS)]

pēs'tilence, n. Any fatal epidemic disease, esp. bubonic plague. So **péstilén'tial** (-shl) a. [F, f. L *pestilential* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

pēs'tilent, a. Destructive to life, deadly; (fig.) injurious to morals etc.; (colloq.) troublesome, plaguy. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *pestilens* (also -lentus) f. *pestis* plague]

pēs'tle (-sl), n., & v.t. & i. Club-shaped instrument for pounding substances in a mortar; kinds of appliance for pounding etc.; (v.t.) pound (as) with ~; (v.i.) use ~. [f. OF *pestel* f. L *pistillum* (pinsere pist-pound)]

péstól'og'y, n. Scientific study of pests (esp. harmful insects) & the methods of dealing with them. [f. L *pestis* PEST + -o- + -LOGY]

pét', n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Animal tamed & kept as favourite or treated with fondness; darling, favourite, (often attrib.); one's ~ *aversion*, what one specially dislikes; ~cock, small stop-cock for draining, letting out steam, etc.; ~name, one expressing fondness or familiarity. 2. v.t. Treat as a ~, fondle; ~-ing party (colloq.), social gathering of young people at which hugging, kissing, etc., are indulged in. [?]

pét', n. Offence at being slighted, ill-

humour, esp. *take* (usu. *the*) ~, *be in a* ~. [1]

pét'al, n. Each of the divisions of the corolla of a flower. Hence ~INE (-in), (-)~(l)ED² (-id), ~OIN, aa. [f. Gk *petalon* thin plate, leaf, (*pet-* spread)]

pét'alón, n. Gold plate on mitre of Jewish high priest. [as PETAL]

pét'ard, n. Small engine of war formerly used to blow in door etc.; kind of fire-work, cracker; HOIST² with his own ~. [f. F *pétard* (*péter* break wind ult. f. L *pedere*, see -ARD)]

pét'asus, n. Ancient Greek low-crowned broad-brimmed hat, esp. as worn by Hermes; winged hat of Hermes. [L, f. Gk *petasos*]

pétaur'ist (-tōl-), n. Marsupial of the genus *Petaurista* with a patagium enabling it to take flying leaps. [f. Gk *petauristes* performer on spring-board (*petauron*)]

Pét'er, n. A male Christian name; *St* ~, one of Christ's disciples; *rob* ~ to *pay Paul*, take away from one to give to another, discharge one debt by incurring another; BLUE ~; ~'s fish, haddock or other fish with marks supposed to have been made by St ~'s thumb & finger; ~penny, ~'s-penny or *pence*, (hist.) annual tax of penny paid to papal see, (since 1860) voluntary payments to papal treasury. [f. L f. Gk *Petros* stone]

pét'er, v.i. (sl.). (Of stream, vein of ore, & fig.) ~ out, give out, come to an end. [1]

pét'ersham, n. Thick ribbed or corded silk ribbon; heavy overcoat or breeches formerly worn; cloth for these. [Viscount P~, c. 1812]

pét'iol(e, n. (bot.). Leaf-stalk. Hence ~AR¹, ~ATE²(2), aa. [f. L *petiolus* little foot, stalk]

petit (peté'), a. (pl. ~s pr. peté'). ~s-chevaux (shevô'), a gambling game; ~maitre (mā'tr), dandy, coxcomb; ~mal (māl), mild form of epilepsy; ~souper (sōop'ā), informal supper for a few intimates; ~s soins (see Ap.), small attentions; ~verre (vār), glass of liqueur. [F. = little]

petite (petét'), a. (Of woman) of small dainty make. [F. fem. of prec.]

pét'itio (-tishō, -titiō), n. ~ *princip'li*, begging the question. [L, as foll.]

pét'ition, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Asking, supplication, request; formal written supplication from one or more persons to sovereign etc.; *P~ & Advice* (hist.), Parliament's remonstrance to Cromwell 1657; *P~ of Right* (hist.), parliamentary declaration of rights & liberties of the people assented to by Charles I in 1628; (Law) kinds of formal written application to a court. 2. v.t. Make ~ to (sovereign etc. for thing, to do). 3. v.i. Ask humbly (for thing, to be allowed to etc.). So ~ARY¹ (-sho) a., ~ER¹ (-sho) n. (esp.,

plaintiff in divorce suit). [f. F *pétition* f. L *petitionem* (*petere* -tit- seek, see -ION)]

pét'rel, n. (Also storm-~, stormy ~) small sea-bird with black & white plumage & long wings. [perh. f. St *Peter* + REL]

pétrific'ation, n. Petrifying; petrified substance or mass. [Irreg. f. foll., see -FACTION; the reg. *petrification* is now rare]

pét'rifŷ, v.t. & i. (Convert into stone; (fig.) paralyse, stupify, with astonishment, terror, etc. (~ied with fear etc.); deprive (mind, doctrine, etc.) of vitality, stiffen; (intr.) turn into stone (lit. & fig.). [f. F *pétrifier* f. L f. Gk *petra* rock, see -FY]

pét'ro- in comb. = Gk *petra* rock, as: ~glyph, rock-carving; ~graph, rock-inscription; ~graphy (pitrōg'), scientific description of formation & composition of rocks, so ~ographer (pitrōg') n., ~graph'ic(al) aa.; ~logy (pitrōl'), study of origin, structure, etc., of rocks, so ~lo'gic(al) aa., ~lo'gically adv., ~logist (pitrōl') n.

|| **pét'rol**, n. Refined petroleum as used in motor-cars, aircraft, etc. [f. F *pétrole* f. foll.]

pétröl'ĕum, n. Mineral oil found in upper strata of earth, used as fuel for heating & in internal-combustion engines. [med. L (L & Gk *petra* rock + L *oleum* oil)]

pétrölcur (pitrōl'c'), n. (fem. -euse pr. -ĕrz). Incendiary who uses petroleum. [F]

pétröl'ic, a. Of petrol or petroleum. [-ic]

pét'ronel, n. (hist.). Large pistol used esp. by horse-soldiers in 16-17th cc. [f. F *pétrinal* (*poitrine* chest, ult. f. L *pectus* -oris, see -AL); the butt end rested against chest in firing]

pét'rous, a. Of, like, rock, esp. (Annt.) applied to hard part of the temporal bone. [f. L *petrosus* (L & Gk *petra* rock, see -OUS)]

pét'licoat, n. Woman's (under-)garment fastened round waist & hanging loose usu. inside a skirt (*have known him since he was in ~s*, a small child); *she is a Cromwell in ~s* (in all but sex); woman, girl, (pl.) female sex; (attrib.) feminine, esp. ~government, predominance of woman in the home or in politics. Hence ~ED², ~LESS, aa. [earlier *petty coat*]

pét'tifōg, v.i. (-g-). Practise legal chicanery; quibble, wrangle, about petty points. [prob. back formation f. foll.]

pét'tifōgg(er (-g-), n. Inferior legal practitioner; rascally attorney; petty practitioner in any department. Hence ~ERY(4) n., ~ING² a., (-g-). [f. PETTY; -fogger unexpl.]

pét'tish, a. Peevish, petulant, easily put out. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. PET² + -ISH¹]

pét'titoes (-ōz), n. pl. Pig's trotters. [1]

pét'tō, n. In ~, in one's own breast, in secret. [It., f. L *pectus*]

pét't'y, a. Unimportant, trivial; little-minded; minor, inferior, on a small scale,

as ~y *princes, farmers*; ~y *cash*, small cash items of receipt or expenditure; ~y *officer*, in navy corresponding in rank to N.C.O.; ~y *JURY, LARCENY, || SESSION*. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [earlier *petit* f. F *petit* etym. dub.]

pét'ülant, a. Peevishly impatient or irritable. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE n., ~antly² adv. [f. F *pétulant* f. L *pehulan-tem* (+*petulare* dimin. of *petere* seek, see -ANT)]

pétün'ia, n. Plant with white, purple, or violet flowers of funnel shape; dark violet, purple, (esp. attrib.). [f. F *petun* f. S.-Amer. *pety* tobacco]

pétun'tsé (-öön-, -ün-), n. White earth used in China for making porcelain. [f. Chin. *pai-tun-tze* (*pai* white + *tun* stone + suf. -tze)]

pew, n., & v.t. Place (often enclosed & raised) in church appropriated to a family (*family* ~) or others; fixed bench with back in church; (colloq.) seat, as *And, take, a ~*; ~rent (for ~ or seats in church); (v.t.) furnish with ~, enclose in ~. Hence ~AGE(4) n., ~LESS a. [ME *pewe* prob. f. OF *puye* balcony f. L *podia* pl. of *podium* f. Gk *podion* pedestal (*pous* *podos* foot)]

pewit, **peewit**, (pé'wit, pü'it), n. Lapwing; its cry; ~ (*gull*), black-headed gull. [imit.]

pewt'er, n. Grey alloy of tin & lead or other metal; utensils of this; ~ pot; || (sl.) prize-money. [ME & OF *peutre*, It. *pettro*, etym. dub.]

pfënn'ig, -ing, n. Small German copper coin 1/100 of a mark. [G, cogn. w. PENNY]

phä'ton (or fä'tn), n. Light four-wheeled open carriage usu. drawn by pair of horses. [f. Gk *Phaethon*, son of Helios (Sun-god) and famous for bad driving of sun chariot]

phägéd'aen'a, -djen'a (-j-, -g-), n. Spreading ulcer. So ~aen'ic, ~én'ic, a. [L, f. Gk *phagedaina* (*phag*-eat)]

phäg'ocyte, n. Leucocyte capable of guarding the system against infection by absorbing microbes. [f. Gk *phag*-eat + -o- + -CYTE]

-phagous in comb. = Gk *-phagos* -eating + -OUS.

phäl'änge (-j-), n. See PHALANX.

phalan'géal (-j-), a. (anat.). Of a phalanx. [-AL]

phalan'ger (-j-), n. Kinds of Australian marsupial of arboreal habits, e.g. flying squirrel or opossum. [f. Gk *-phalaggon* spider's web (PHALANX), from webbed toes of hind feet]

phäl'anstjer'y, n. (Buildings of) socialistic PHALANX. Hence ~ÉR'ian a. & n. [f. F *phalanstère* f. foll. after *monastère*]

phäl'än|x, n. (pl. ~es, ~es pr. -jéz). 1. (Gk Ant.) line of battle, esp. body of Macedonian infantry drawn up in close

order. 2. Set of persons banded together for common purpose; socialistic community of about 1800 persons as proposed by Fourier. 3. (Anat., also ~ge) each bone of finger or toe; (Bot.) bundle of stamens united by filaments. [L, f. Gk *phalagx* -ggon]

phäl'aröpe, n. Kinds of small wading and swimming bird allied to snipe. [F, irreg. f. Gk *phalaris* coot + *pous* foot]

phäl'l'us, n. (pl. ~i). Image of the penis, venerated in religious systems as symbolizing generative power in nature. Hence or cogn. ~IC a., ~(ic)ISM(3) nn. [L, f. Gk *phallos*]

phanä'riöt, n. Resident in the Phanar quarter of Constantinople; member of the Greek official class under the Turks. [f. mod. Gk *phanariotes* (*phanari* light-house f. Gk *phanarion*, see -OT²)]

phän'er'ogäm, n. (bot.). Plant that has stamens & pistils, flowering plant, (cf. CRYPTOGRAM). So ~ögäm'ic, ~ög'amous, aa. [f. F *phanérogame* f. Gk *phaneros* visible + *-gamos* -married]

phän'sigär, n. Thug. [Hind. (*phanst* noose)]

phän'täsm, n. Illusion, phantom; illusive likeness (of); (Psychics) supposed vision of absent (living or dead) person. Hence **phäntäs'mäl**, **phäntäs'mic**, aa., **phäntäs'mäl'y** adv., (-z-). [f. F *fantasme* f. L f. Gk *phantasma* (*phantazō* make visible f. *phan*-stem of *phainō* show, see -M)]

phäntäsmag'ör'ia (-z-), n. Exhibition of optical illusions in London in 1802; shifting scene of real or imagined figures. Hence ~Ö'ric a. [f. prec. + Gk *agora* assembly]

phän'tasý. See FANTASY (the *ph*-form is used esp. for the first sense there given).

phän'tom, n. Apparition, spectre; image (of); vain show, form without substance or reality; mental illusion; (attrib.) apparent, illusive, as ~ *tumour*, temporary swelling. [ME & OF *fantosme* PHANTASM]

Phär'ao (-rö), n. Generic name of ancient Egyptian kings; ~a *serpent*, chemical toy fusing in serpentine form. [f. L f. Gk *Pharao* ult. f. Egypt. *pr'o* great house]

Phä'risee, n. One of ancient Jewish sect distinguished by strict observance of traditional & written law & pretensions to sanctity; self-righteous person, formalist, hypocrite. Hence or cogn. **Phäri-sä'ic** (AL) aa., **Phärisä'icäl'y**² adv., **Phä'risäism** n. [f. L f. Gk *Pharisaios* ult. f. Heb. *parush* separated]

phärmaceut'icäl (-sü-, -kü-), a. Of, engaged in, pharmacy; of the use or sale of medicinal drugs. Hence or cogn. ~icäl'y² adv., ~ICS n. [f. L f. Gk *pharmakeutikos* (*pharmakeutēs* druggist f. *pharmakon* drug) + -AL]

phärmacöl'ogij, n. Theory of pharmacy.

Hence ~IST n. [f. Gk *pharmakon* drug + -LOGY]

phārmacopoe'ia (-pēa), n. Book (esp. one officially published) containing list of drugs with directions for use; stock of drugs. Hence ~IAL (-pēal) a. [f. Gk *pharmakopoiia* (as prec. + -poiia making f. *poiōō* make)]

phārm'acŷ, n. Preparation & (esp. medicinal) dispensing of drugs; drug-store, dispensary. [f. OF *farmacie* f. LL f. Gk *pharmakeia* practice of the druggist (*pharmakeus* f. *pharmakon* drug)]

phār'ōs, n. Lighthouse or beacon to guide mariners. [L f. Gk *Pharos*, island off Alexandria, lighthouse on this]

phāryng'o- (-ugg-) in comb.=foll., as: ~cŷle, abnormal enlargement at base of pharynx; ~tomy (ōt-), incision into pharynx.

phā'ryn̄x, n. Cavity, with enclosing muscles & mucous membrane, behind & communicating with nose, mouth, & larynx. Hence **phāryng'AL** (-ugg-) **phāryng'ēAL** (-j-), a. **phāryng'm'is** (-j-) n. [f. Gk *pharynx* -gōs]

phāse (-z), n. Aspect of moon or planet, according to amount of illumination (esp. applied to new moon, first quarter, full moon, last quarter); stage of change or development; (Physics) particular stage in recurring sequence of movements or changes (esp. of alternating electric currents), usu. expressed in degrees, the complete sequence or period being 360 *three-*~, (of electric generators, motors, etc.) designed to supply or use simultaneously three separate alternating currents of the same voltage, but having their periods 120° apart. Hence **phās'ic** (-z) a. [f. Gk *phasis* appearance (*phan-* show), also in E w. pl. pron. -sēz]

phēa'sant (fēz-), n. A game-bird naturalized in Britain & other parts of Europe; ~eyed, (of flowers) marked like ~'s eye. [AF *fesant*, f. L f. Gk *Phasianos* (bird) of the river Phasis]

phēn(o)- in comb.=Gk *phainos* shining (*phan-* show), in chem. names of substances derived from coal-tar (orig. in manufacture of illuminating gas), as: *phēn'acetic*, an anti-pyretic; *phēn'ol*, carbolic acid; *phēn'yl*, radical found in benzene, phenol, etc.

phēnōl'ogŷ, n. Study of the times of recurring natural phenomena esp. in relation to climatic conditions. So **phēnōlō'gical** a. [f. PHENOMENON + -LOGY]

phēnōm'ēnal, a. Of the nature of a phenomenon; cognizable by, evidenced only by, the senses; concerned with phenomena; remarkable, prodigious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~IZE v.t., make, or represent as, ~. [-AL]

phēnōm'ēn(al)ism, n. Doctrine that phenomena are the only objects of knowledge. So ~IST n., ~is'tic a. [prec. + -ISM]

phēnōm'ēnon, n. (pl. -ēna). Thing that appears or is perceived, esp. thing the cause of which is in question; (Philos.) that of which a sense or the mind directly takes note, immediate object of perception; remarkable person, thing, occurrence, etc. [f. LL f. Gk *phainomenon* neut. part. of *phainomai* appear]

phew, int. expr. impatience or disgust.

phi, n. Greek letter (Φ, φ) = ph. [Gk]

phi'al, n. Small glass bottle, esp. for liquid medicine. [f. F *fiote* f. L f. Gk *phialē* broad flat vessel]

phil- in comb.=PHILO- before vowel or h.

-phil, **-phile**, suf. forming n. w. sense 'lover of' & adj. = 'loving', as *bibliophil(e)*, *Russophil(e)*, *gastrophil(e)*; repr. Gk *philos* dear, in Gk found as suf. only in personal names w. sense 'dear to' (*Diphiolos* dear to Zeus), the sense 'loving' being given in Gk by PHILO-. Hence **-philous** adj. suf.

philān'der, v.i. Make love esp. in trifling manner, dangle after woman. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. *philander* n. f. Gk *phil(andos)* f. *anēr* man] prop.=fond of men, taken in sense 'lover'

phil'anthrōpe, n. =PHILANTHROPIST. [f. Gk *phil(anthrōpos)* man]

philanthrōp'ic, a. Loving one's fellow men, benevolent, humane. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. F *philanthropique* (as prec., see -ic)]

philān'throp'ist, n. Lover of mankind; one who exerts himself for the well-being of his fellow men. So ~ISM n. [f. PHILANTHROPY + -IST]

philān'thropize, v.i. & t. Practise philanthropy; make (persons) objects of this; make philanthropic. [-IZE]

philān'thropy, n. Love, practical benevolence, towards mankind. [f. LL f. Gk *philanthrōpia* (as PHILANTHROPY)]

philāt'el'j̄, n. Stamp-collecting. Hence **philātēl'ic** a., ~IST n. [f. F *phil(atèle)* f. Gk *ateleia* exemption from payment f. a-not + *telos* toll, tax]

philharmōn'ic (-lāt-), a. & n. (Person) fond of music. [f. F *phil(harmonique)* HARMONIC]

phil'hellēne (-lēl-), a. & n. (Person) loving or friendly to the Greeks or supporting the cause of Greek independence. So **philhellēn'ic** (-lēl-) a., **philhēll'ēnism**, **philhēll'ēnist**, nn. [f. Gk *phil(ellēn)* = *Hellen* Greek]

Philipp'i. Thou shalt see me at ~, meet at ~, phrases threatening retribution (w. ref. to Shaks., J.C., IV. iii. 283). [battle at ~, 42 B.C.]

philipp'ic, n. (Pl.) orations of Demosthenes against Philip of Macedon, Cicero's orations against Antony; bitter invective. [f. L f. Gk *philippikos* (*Philippos* Philip, see -ic)]

philippi'na (-pē-), **-pine'** (-ēn), **phillopoen'a** (-pē-), **-open'a**, n. Almond or

other nut with double kernel, the finding of which at dessert etc. & sharing it with another person involves the giving or receiving of a present at next meeting; the present; the custom. [perh. f. G *vielliebchen* darling (*viel* much + *liebchen* dim. of *lieb* dear)]

Phil'istine, n. & a. 1. One of an alien warlike people in S. Palestine who harassed the Israelites; (Joc.) enemy into whose hands one may fall, e.g. bailiff, critic, etc.; (in German univv., after G *philister*) non-student, outsider; uncultured person, one whose interests are material & commonplace, whence **phil'istinism** n. 2. adj. Uncultured, commonplace, prosaic. [f. F *Philistin* f. LL f. Gk *Philistinos* = *Palastinos* f. Assy. *Palastu*, *Pilistū*]

phil'o- in comb. (before vowel or *h*, *phil'-*) = Gk *philos*, lover of, friend of, in wds f. Gk & mod. formations, as: ~*bi*'tic, fond of books; ~*gyn*'ist (-jz'), lover of women; *phil'omath*, lover of learning, esp. of mathematics; ~*progen*'itive, prolific, (Phrenol.) loving one's offspring, whence ~*progen*'itiveness; ~*tech*'nic (-tēk-), fond of (esp. the industrial) arts.

philol'ogī, n. Science of language; (now rare) love of learning & literature. Hence ~*er*'¹, **philolō'gian**, ~*ist*, nn., **philolō'gical** a., **philolō'gically**² adv., ~*ize*(2) v.i. [f. L f. Gk *philologia* f. *logos* word, speech] love of learning]

Phil'omēl, **Philomēl**'a, nn. (poet.). The nightingale. [f. F *philomèle* f. L f. Gk *philo(mēla* f. *melos* song or *mēlon* apple), cap. *P* in reference to myth of ~ transformed into nightingale]

philop(o)en'a. See PHILIPPINA.

philōs'opher, n. Lover of wisdom; *natural*, *moral*, ~, student of natural, moral, philosophy; one who regulates his life by the light of philosophy; one who shows philosophic calmness in trying circumstances; ~*s*' (not ~*s*) *stone*, supreme object of alchemy, substance supposed to change other metals into gold or silver. [var. of OF *filosofo* f. L f. Gk *philosophos* (as PHILOSOPHY)]

philosōph'ic(al), aa. Of, consonant with, philosophy; skilled in, devoted to, philosophy (often in titles of societies); wise; calm; temperate. Hence ~*al*y² adv. [f. LL *philosophicus* f. Gk as prec., see -ic]

philōs'ophism, n. Philosophizing system (usu. derog., esp. of the French Encyclopaedists). So ~*ist* n. [f. F *philosophisme* (as PHILOSOPHER, see -ism)]

philōs'ophize, v.i. & t. Play the philosopher; speculate, theorize; moralize; render philosophic. [as PHILOSOPHER + -ize]

philōs'ophy, n. Love of wisdom or knowledge, esp. that which deals with ultimate reality, or with the most general causes & principles of things; *natural* ~, study of natural objects & phenomena; *moral* ~, study of principles of human action or

conduct; (w. pl.) philosophical system; system for conduct of life; serenity, resignation. [f. OF *filosofo* f. L f. Gk *philos*(*sophia* wisdom f. *sophos* wise)]

phil'tre (-ter), -ter, n. Love-potion. [F (-tre), f. L f. Gk *philtion* (*phileō* love + -*tron* suf. of instrument)]

phiz, n. (colloq.). Face; expression of face. [abbr. of PHYSIOGNOMY]

phlēb|it'is, n. Inflammation of walls of vein. Hence ~*it*'ic a. [f. Gk as foll. + -itis]

phlēb'o- in comb. = Gk *phleps* *phlebos* vein, as: ~*lite*, ~*lith*, morbid calcareous concretion in vein, so ~*lit(h)*'ic a.

phlēbōt'omīze, v.i. & t. Practise phlebotomy; bleed (person, part of body). So ~*ist* n. [f. F *phlébotomiser* (coll., -ize)]

phlēbōt'omŷ, n. Blood-letting as medical operation. [f. OF *flebothomie* f. L f. Gk *phlebotomia* f. *phlebo*(*tomos* -cutter f. *temnō* cut)]

phlegm (flēm), n. 1. Thick viscid (semi-) fluid substance secreted by mucous membranes (formerly regarded as one of the four HUMOURS) esp. when morbid or excessive & discharged by cough etc., whence ~*y*² (flēm'i) a. 2. Coolness, sluggishness, apathy, (supposed to result from predominance of ~ in constitution), so **phlēgmāt'ic** a., **phlēgmāt'ically** adv. [f. OF *fleume* f. LL f. Gk *phlegma* -*matos* inflammation, *phlegm* (*phlegō* burn, see -M)]

phlēg'mon, n. Inflammatory tumour, boil. Hence **phlēgmōn'ic**, ~*ous*, aa. [ME f. L, f. Gk *phlegmonē* (*phlegō* burn)]

phlō'ēm, n. (bot.). Bast with associated tissues. [f. Gk *phloos* bark + -ēma (see -M)]

phlogis'tic (-j-, -g-), a. Of phlogiston; (Med.) inflammatory. [-ic]

phlogis'ton (-j-, -g-), n. Principle of inflammability formerly supposed to exist in combustible bodies. [Gk, f. *phlogizō* set on fire (*phlox* *phlogos* flame, see -ize)]

phloriz'in (or flō'ri-), n. (chem.). Bitter substance got from bark of root of apple & other trees. [f. Gk *phloos* bark + *ruiza* root + -in]

phlōx, n. Genus of plants with clusters of salver-shaped flowers of various colours. [L f. Gk *phlox* (lit. flame), a plant]

-**phōbe**, suf. forming aa. & nn., =-fearing, -fearer, f. F -*phobe* f. L f. Gk -*phobos*, adj. suf. f. *phobos* fear, as in *hydro-*, *Anglo-*, *Russo-*.

phōb'ia, n. (Morbid) fear or aversion. [foll. used as a separate wd]

-**phōb'ia**, suf. f. L f. Gk -*phobia*, forming abstract nn. f. adjl. in -*PHOBE*, as *hydro-*, *Anglo-*, *xeno-*.

Phoeb'us (fēb-), n. The Greek sun-god; (poet.) the sun. [L, f. Gk *Phoibos*]

Phoenician (fēnish'n), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Phoenicia (ancient name for part

of coast of Syria) or its colonies; Carthaginian. [f. F *phénicien* f. L *Phoenicia* f. Gk *Phoinikē* + -AN]

phoen'ix (fē-), **phē-**, n. (Myth.) bird, the only one of its kind, that after living five or six centuries in Arabian desert burnt itself on funeral pile & rose from the ashes with renewed youth to live through another cycle; paragon. [L, f. Gk *phōnix*: Phoenician, purple, phoenix]

phōn, n. (physics). Unit of loudness used in measuring intensity of sounds. [f. Gk *phōnē* voice]

phōn'iate, v.i. Utter vocal sound (usu. opp. to *articulate*). Hence **phona'tion** n., -atory a. [f. Gk *phōnē* voice + -ATE³]

phonaut'ograph (-ahf), n. Apparatus for automatically recording vibrations of sound. [as prec. + AUTO- + -GRAPH]

phōne¹, n., & v.i. & t. (colloq.). Telephone.

phōne², n. Simple vowel or consonant sound. [f. Gk *phōnē* voice]

phonēn'doscope, n. Apparatus for making small sounds (esp. in human body) distinctly audible. [as prec. + Gk *endon* within + -SCOPE]

phonē'tic, a. & n. 1. Representing vocal sounds, esp. (of systems of spelling) using always same symbol for same sound, whence ~ISM, ~IST, un., ~IZE(3) v.t.; of vocal sounds. 2. n. pl. (Study of) phenomena of a language. Hence **phonē'tically** adv., **phonē'tician** (-ishn) n. [f. Gk *phōnētikos* (*phōnēō* speak, see -ETIC)]

phōn'etist, n. Person versed in phonetics; advocate of phonetic spelling. [-IST]

***phōn'ey**, -nŷ, a. (sl.). Sham, counterfeit, fictitious. [?]

phōn'ic, a. Of sound, acoustic; of vocal sounds. [f. Gk *phōnē* voice + -IC]

phōn'o- in comb. = Gk *phōnē* sound, as: ~lite, kinds of volcanic rock ringing when struck; **phonol'ogy**, science of vocal sounds, system of sounds in a language, so ~lo'gic(al) aa., ~lo'gically adv., **phonol'ogist** n.; **phonom'eter**, instrument recording number or force of sound-waves; ~pore, apparatus for transmitting telephono messages along telegraph wire without interfering with the current transmitting telegraph messages [Gk *poros* passage], so ~pore'ic a.; ~scope, apparatus for testing musical strings, (also) instrument for representing sound-vibrations in visible form; ~type, phonetic print, character used in this, so ~typ'ic(al) aa., ~typist, ~typy, nn.

phōn'ogram, n. Symbol representing spoken sound, esp. in Pitman's phonography; sound-record made by phonograph. [PHONO- + -GRAM]

phōn'ograph (-ahf), n., & v.t. || Earlier form of gramophone using cylinders; *gramophone; (v.t.) record, reproduce, by ~. [PHONO- + -GRAPH]

phonōg'raph [ŷ], n. Pitman's phonetic

shorthand, whence ~ER¹, ~IST, nn.; automatic recording of sounds, as by phonograph. Hence **phonōgraph'ic** a., **phonōgraph'ically** adv. [PHONO- + -GRAPHY]

-phōre, suf. = bearer, f. F -*phore* f. Gk -*phoros* (*phērō* bear), used to form technical wds, as *carpophore*, *semaphore*. Hence -**phorous**, adj. suf., = -*phore* + -OUS, synonymous w. -FEROUS, but prop. used only in wds f. Gk as *carpophorous*.

phōtm'ium, n. (Kinds of) liliaceous plant whose fibre is used commercially; New Zealand flax. [f. Gk *phormion* (*phormos* wicker basket)]

phōs'gēne, n. A poison gas, carbon oxychloride, used in the 1914-18 war. [f. Gk *phōs* light + -GEN(1), w. ref. to its orig. production by action of sunlight on chlorine & carbonic oxide]

phōs'phate, n. A salt of phosphoric acid, esp. (pl.) of lime or iron & alumina as constituents of cereals etc. Hence **phōs'phat'ic** a. [F (PHOSPHO- + -ATE¹)]

phōs'phēne, n. Appearance of rings of light produced by pressure on eyeball, due to irritation of retina. [irreg. f. Gk *phōs* light + *phainō* show]

phōs'phide, n. (chem.). Combination of phosphorus with other element or radical. [f. PHOSPHO- + -IDE]

phōs'phite, n. (chem.). A salt of phosphoric acid. [F (PHOSPHO- + -ITE¹)]

phosph(o)- in comb. = PHOSPHORUS.

phōs'phorate, v.t. Combine, unregnate, with phosphorus. [-ATE³]

phōs'phor-brōnze, n. Tough hard bronze alloy containing a small proportion of phosphorus, used (esp.) for bearings. [PHOSPHORUS]

phōsphor'ēsce, v.i. Emit luminosity without combustion, or by gentle combustion without sensible heat. So ~ēs'cence n., ~ēs'cent a. [f. PHOSPHORUS + L -*escere* of inceptive vis]

phōs'phorite, n. A non-crystallized variety of phosphate of lime. [f. PHOSPHORUS + -ITE¹]

phōs'phor/o- in comb. = phosphorus, as: ~ogē'ic, causing ~escence; ~ograph, evanescent picture on ~escent surface, so ~ograph'ic a., ~og'raphy n.; ~oscope, apparatus for measuring duration of ~escence, (also) toy containing various ~escent substances glowing with different coloured lights.

phōs'phor/us, n. A non-metallic element, a yellowish wax-like substance undergoing slow combustion at ordinary temperatures & hence appearing luminous in the dark; ~us *necrōs'is* (colloq. *phossy jaw*), gangrene of jawbone due to ~us fumes esp. in match-making. Hence or cogn. **phōsphō'ric**, ~ous, aa., ~ISM(5) n. (path.). [L, = morning star, f. Gk *phōs-phoros* (*phōs* light + *-phoros* -bringing f. *phērō*)]

phōs/phūrēt(t)ēd, a. Combined chemically with phosphorus. [f. obs. *phosphuret* phosphide + -ED]

phōss'ŷ. See **PHOSPHORUS**.

phōt'ism, n. Hallucinatory sensation or vision of light. [f. Gk *phōtismos* (*phōtizō* shine f. *phōs* *phōtos* light, see -ISM)]

phōt'ō, n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. = **PHOTOGRAPH**.

phōt'ō- in comb. = (Gk *phōtos* light (occas. = photographic), as: ~*chrony* (-krō-), colour-photography; ~*gen*, kind of paraffin oil; ~*gēn'ic*, producing or emitting light, (also) suitable for being photographed; ~*glyph*, ~*glyphy*, engraved plate produced by action of light, art of producing such plates; *phōtōm'eter*, instrument for measuring intensity of light, so ~*met'ric*, *phōtōm'etry*; ~*mic'rograph*, photograph of object as enlarged under the microscope; ~*phōb'ia* (Path.), dread of light; ~*phone*, apparatus in which sounds are transmitted by light; ~*sphere*, luminous envelope of sun or star from which its light & heat radiate, so ~*sphē'ric* a.; ~*stāt* (P), apparatus for making direct facsimile reproductions of documents, drawings, etc., a reproduction so made; ~*teleg'raphy*, electric reproduction of pictures, writing, etc., at a distance (cf. **TELEPHOTOGRAPHY**); ~*type*, plate for printing from produced by photographic process, picture etc. printed from this; ~*sincōg'raphy*, photographic production of design on zinc plate.

phōt'ograph (-ahf), n., & v.t. 1. Picture, likeness, taken by means of chemical action of light on sensitive film on basis of glass, paper, metal, etc. 2. v.t. Take ~ of (person etc., or abs.); (quasi-pass.) *I always ~ badly* (come out badly in ~). Hence **phōtōg'rapher**¹, **phōtōg'raphy**¹, nn., **phōtōgrāph'ic** a., **phōtōgrāph'ically** adv. [(vb f. n.) **PHOTO** + -GRAPH]

phōtōgravūre¹, n., & v.t. 1. Picture produced from photographic negative transferred to metal plate & etched in; this process. 2. v.t. Reproduce thus. [F (**PHOTO** + *gravure* engraving)]

phrāse (-z), n., & v.t. 1. Mode of expression, diction, as in *simple* ~, *felicity of* ~; an idiomatic expression; small group of words usu. without predicate, esp. preposition with the word(s) it governs, equivalent to adjective, adverb, or noun (e.g. the house *on the hill*, I refuse *to do it*); short pithy expression; (pl.) mere words, as *we have had enough of* ~s; (Mus.) short & more or less independent passage forming part of longer passage or of whole piece; ~*monger*, person addicted to fine-sounding ~s. 2. v.t. Express in words, as *thus he ~d it*. [(vb f. n.) f. LL f. Gk *phrasis* (*phrazō* tell)]

phrās'ēōgrām, n. Written symbol representing a phrase esp. in shorthand. [as prec. + -ō + -GRAM]

phrās'ēōgraph (-ahf), n. Phrase for

which there is a phraseogram. [as **PHRASE** + -ō + -GRAPH]

phrāsē|ōl'ogŷ, n. Choice or arrangement of words; mode of expression. Hence ~**olō'gical** a., ~**olō'gically**¹ adv. [as **PHRASE** + -ō + -LOGY]

phrāt'rŷ, n. (Gk Hist.) a kinship unit, esp. (in Athens) each of three sub-divisions of the (*phyle* or) tribe; tribal division among primitive races. [f. Gk *phratría* (*phratēr*, -lōr, clansman, cogn. w. **BROTHER**)]

phrēnēt'ic, a. Frantic; fanatic. [f. OF *frenetike* f. L f. late Gk *phrenētikos* = Gk *phrenitikos* (*phrenitis* delirium, as foll., see -ITIS & -IC)]

phrēn'ic, a. (anat.). Of the diaphragm.

[f. Gk *phrēn* *phrenos* diaphragm, 'mind, see -IC]

phrēnōl'ogŷ, n. Study of external conformation of cranium as index to development & position of organs belonging to the various mental faculties. Hence **phrēnōlō'gical** a., **phrēnōlō'gically**¹ adv., ~**IST** n. [as prec. + -LOGY]

phrōn'tisterŷ, n. (Joc.). Place for thinking in, tinkory. [f. Gk *phrontistērion* (*phrontizō* think f. *phrontis* thought)]

Phry'gian, a. Of Phrygia, ancient country in Asia Minor; (Mus.) ~ *mode*, ancient Greek *mode* reputedly warlike in character, third of eccl. modes with E as final & C as dominant; ~ *cap*, ancient conical peaked cap now identified with cap of liberty. [f. L *Phrygianus* (*Phrygia*, see -AN)]

phthi'sis (th-, fth-), n. Progressive wasting disease, esp. pulmonary consumption. So (through OF *tisike*) **phthi'sical** (tiz-, fthiz-) a., of, having, ~. [Gk (*phthi'nō* decay)]

phūt, n. & adv. The sound of a bladder collapsing, a bullet passing, etc.; (adv., esp.) *go ~*, collapse (also fig. of scheme etc.). [f. Hind. *phatna* to burst]

phylāc'terjŷ, n. Small leather box containing Hebrew texts on vellum, worn by Jews to remind them to keep the law (*make broad one's ~y* or ~ies, make a display of righteousness); (usu. ostentatious) religious observance; amulet, charm. [f. L f. Gk *phylaktērion* amulet (*phulazō* guard)]

phylēt'ic, a. (biol.). Of a phylum, racial. [f. Gk *phuletikos* (*phuletēs* tribesman f. *phulē* tribe, see -IC)]

phyll|o- in comb. = Gk *phyllon* leaf, as: ~**ōph'agan**, animal that feeds on leaves, so ~**ōph'agous** a.; ~**ōpōd** a. & n., leaf-footed (crustacean); ~**ostōme**, leaf-nosed bat; ~**olax'is**, arrangement of leaves on axis or stem; ~**oxēr'a** [f. Gk *zēros* dry], genus of plant-lice, vine-pest.

phŷlo- in comb. = Gk *phylon* race, tribe, in biol. wds, as: ~**gēn'esis**, ~**gēny** (-ōj'), racial evolution of animal or plant type, history of this, so ~**gēnēt'ic**, ~**gēn'ic**, aa., ~**gēnēt'ically** adv.

phyl'um, *n.* (biol.; pl. *-la*). Race of organisms descended from common ancestral form. [mod. L f. Gk *phylon* race]

phý's'ic (-z-), *n.*, & *v.t.* (-ck-). 1. Art of healing; medical profession; (colloq.) medicine, as a *dose* of ~. 2. pl. Sciences treating of properties of matter & energy or of action of different forms of energy on matter in general (excluding chemistry & biology). 3. *v.t.* Dose with ~ (lit. & fig.). [(vb f. n.) f. OF *fisique* f. L f. Gk *phusikē* (*epistēmē* knowledge) of nature (*phusis*, see -IC)]

phý's'ical (-z-), *a.* Of matter, material, as ~ *force* (opp. to *moral*); of, according to laws of, natural philosophy, as ~ *explanations of miracles*, a ~ *impossibility*; belonging to physics; bodily, as ~ *exercise*, *strength*, *beauty*, *drill* (also sl. ~ *jerks*); ~ *geography* (dealing with natural features). Hence ~LY² *adv.*, **phý's'ico** comb. form. [f. mod. L *physicalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

phý's'ician (-zishn), *n.* One who practises the healing art including medicine & surgery; one legally qualified in medicine as well as in surgery; (fig.) healer. [f. OF *fiscian* (as *PHYSIO*, see -ICIAN)]

phý's'icist (-z-), *n.* Student of physics or of natural science in general; believer in the material origin of vital phenomena (cf. *VITALIST*), so ~ISM *n.* [*PHYSIC* + -IST]

phý's'ický (-z-), *a.* Suggestive of physio. [-Y²]

phý's'io (-z-) in comb. = Gk *phusis* nature, as: ~*ocracy*, government according to natural order; *phý's'ocrat*, advocate of this, esp. member of Quesnay's school in France in 18th c.; ~*o'geny*, genesis of vital functions; ~*ol'alry*, nature-worship; ~*othé'rapy*, electrical treatment & massage; ~*othé'rapist*, person skilled in this.

phý'siogn'om'y (-zishn-, -zishgn-), *n.* Art of judging character from features of face or form of body, whence ~IST(3) *n.*; cast of features, type of face; (vulg.) face; external features of country etc.; characteristic (moral or other) aspect. Hence or cogn. **phý'siognóm'ic** (AL) *aa.*, **phý'siognóm'r'ically**² *adv.*, (-zishn-, -zishgn-). [ME *fanomye* f. mod. L *phisonomia* f. Gk *phusiognómia* judging of a man's nature (by his features) f. *phusis* nature + *gnómōn* judge f. *gnō*- know]

phý'siög'raph'y (-z-), *n.* Description of nature, of natural phenomena, or of a class of objects; physical geography. Hence ~ER¹ *n.*, **phý'siög'r'aph'ic** (AL) *aa.* [*PHYSIO*- + -GRAPHY]

phý'siöl'og'y (-z-), *n.* Science of normal functions & phenomena of living things (comprising *animal* & *vegetable* ~y). Hence or cogn. **phý'siöl'ög'ic** (AL) *aa.*, **phý'siöl'ög'ically**² *adv.*, ~IST *n.* [f. L f. Gk *phusiology*, see *PHYSIO*- & -LOGY]

phý'sique¹ (-zék), *n.* Bodily structure,

organization, & development. [F, *n. f.* adj. (as *PHYSIC*)]

-phý'te, *suf. repr.* Gk *phuton* plant, denoting a vegetable organism, as *proto*~, *sapto*~. See also *ZOOHYTTE*.

phý'to- in comb. = Gk *phuton* plant, as: ~*ogen'esis*, ~*o'geny*, generation or evolution of plants; ~*og'raphy*, descriptive botany; *phý'tomer*, plant unit; ~*oph'agous*, feeding on plants; ~*ol'omy*, dissection of plants; ~*ozo'on* (pl. -zo'a), plant-like animal or zoophyte.

pi¹, *n.* Greek letter *p* (Π, π), esp. (Math., π) as symbol of ratio of circumference of circle to diameter (3.14159).

|| **pi**², *a.* (school sl.). = *PIOUS*; *pi jaw*, sermonizing, moral lecture. [abbr.]

piác'ular, *a.* Expiatory. [f. L *piacularis* (*piaculum* expiation f. *piare* appease, see -AR¹)]

piäffe¹, *v.i.* (Of horse etc.) move as in trot, but slower. [f. F *piaffer*, etym. dub.]

piäff'er, *n.* Movement of piadling. [as prec.]

pi'a māt'er, *n.* (anat.). Innermost MENIX. [mod. L transl. of Arab. *umun raqiqah* tender mother]

pianét'te¹ (péa-), *n.* Low pianino. [*PIANO*², -ETTE]

piani'nō (péanō-), *n.* (pl. ~s). Small upright piano. [It., dim. of *PIANO*²]

pianiss'imō, *adv.* & *n.* (mus.). (Passage to be played) very softly. [It., superl. of *PIANO*¹]

pi'anist (péa-), *n.* Player on piano. [f. F *pianiste* (also in E, usu. as fem.), see -IST]

pi'a'nō¹ (-ah-), *adv.* & *n.* (mus.). (Passage to be played) softly. [It., f. L *planus* flat, (LL) soft]

piän'ō², *n.* (pl. ~s). Musical instrument with metal strings struck by hammers worked by levers from a keyboard (vibration being stopped by dampers), & with pedals regulating character of tone; *grand* ~, large horizontal ~ of full tone; *upright* ~, vertical ~; *collage* ~, small upright ~; ~ *organ*, mechanical ~ constructed like barrel-organ; ~ *player*, contrivance for playing ~ mechanically. [It., earlier *piano a forte* soft & strong]

piänofört'é (or *piän'ofört*), *n.* (full name, now in formal use only, for) *PIANO*².

pianöl'a (péa-), *n.* Kind of mechanical piano-player. [P]

piäs'tre (-ter, -ter, *n.* Spanish silver coin; small Turkish & Egyptian coin. [F (-tre), f. It. *piastra*, ult. as *PLASTER*]

piäzz'a (-tza), *n.* Public square or marketplace esp. in Italian town; *veranda of house. [It., ult. f. L *platea* f. Gk *plateia* (*hodos*) broad (street)]

pibroch (pëb'rök, & see Ap.), *n.* Series of variations for bagpipe, chiefly martial. [f. Gael. *piobaireachd* (*piobair* piper f. *piob* f. E *PIPE*)]

píc'a, *n.* Size of TYPE¹. [earlier sense, collection of rules about Easter and other

movable feasts, *f. med. L pica*, perh. = *L pica magpie*, hist. unexpl.]

pic'ador, *n.* Mounted man with lance in bull-fight. [*Sp. (pícar prick)*]

pic'amár, *n.* Bitter oil got from wood-tar. [*f. L píx pícis pitch + amarus bitter*]

picarésque' (-k), *a.* (Of a style of fiction) dealing with adventures of rogues. [*f. Sp. picaresco (pícaro rogue, etym. dub., -ESQUE)*]

picaroon', *n., & v.i.* Rogue; thief; pirate; pirate ship; (*v.i.*) play the pirate or brigand. [*f. Sp. pícaron (as prec., see -OON)*]

***picayune'** (-yōn), *n. & a.* 1. Small coin, esp. 5-cent piece; (colloq.) insignificant person or thing. 2. *adj.* Mean, contemptible. [*prob. f. F picayon farthing*]

picc'allili, *n.* Pickle of chopped vegetables & hot spices. [*f.*]

picc'aninny, pick', *n. & a.* Child, esp. of Negroes or S.-African or Australian natives; (*adj.*) very small, baby. [*f. Sp. pequeño or Port. pequeno, dim. -nino, small*]

picc'olò, *n.* (*pl.* ~s). Small flute, octave higher than the ordinary. [*It., = small (flute)*]

pice, *n.* E.-Ind. copper coin, $\frac{1}{4}$ of anna. [*f. Hind. paisa*]

pichichiāg'ō, *n.* Small burrowing animal of Chili, allied to armadillos. [*f. Sp. pichitego perh. f. native pichey + Sp. ciego blind f. L caecus*]

pick', *n.* Tool consisting of iron bar usu. curved with point at one end & point or chisel-edge at other, with wooden handle passing through middle perpendicularly, used for breaking up hard ground etc.; instrument for picking; TOOTH~. [*prob. = PICK¹*]

pick², v.t. & i. 1. Break surface of (ground etc.) with or as with pick; make (hole etc.) thus; (*fig.*) ~ HOLES *in*. 2. Probe (teeth etc.) with pointed instrument to remove extraneous matter. 3. Clear (bone, carcass) of adherent flesh; pluck, gather, (flower, fruit, etc.) from stalk etc. 4. (Of birds) take up (grains etc.) in bill; (of persons) eat (food, or meal, or abs.) in small bits, (colloq.) out (*t. & i.*). 5. Select carefully, as ~ one's words, way, shops; ~ & choose, select fastidiously; ~ (contrive) a quarrel with. 6. ~ (person's) pocket, steal its contents; (*intr.*) ~ & steal, pilfer; ~ a lock, open it (esp. with intent to rob) with pointed instrument, skeleton key, etc. 7. Pull asunder, esp. ~ oakum; ~ to pieces, pull asunder, (*fig.*) criticize (person etc.) hostilely. 8. ~ at, nag at, gird at; ~ off, pluck off, (also) shoot (persons etc.) deliberately one by one; ~ on, = ~ at; ~ out, select, distinguish from surrounding objects, relieve (ground colour with another), make out (meaning of passage etc.), play (tune) by ear on piano etc.; ~ up, break up (ground etc.) with pick,

lay hold of & take up, (*Golf, ellipt.*) ~ up one's ball, raise oneself from a fall etc., gain, acquire (livelihood, profit, tricks, information), succeed in seeing or hearing with searchlight, radio, etc., take (person, or thing overtaken) along with one, esp. train stops to ~ up passengers, make acquaintance of (person) casually (~up *n.*, such person), regain (lost path etc., flesh, spirit), (*intr.*) recover health, make acquaintance with, (*Games*) select sides by alternate choosing (~up *n.*, game between such sides). 9. ~lock, person who ~s locks, instrument used for this; ~me-up, stimulating drink (*also fig.*); ~pocket, one who steals from pockets; || ~thank (*arch.*), sycophant; ~up, ~ing up (esp. of ball in cricket), device replacing sound-box in a gramophone & enabling a record to be heard through a loud-speaker. [*OE has piken, pikken, hist. dub., cf. prec. & F piquer prick*]

pick³, n. Picking; selection; the best part of (the ~ of the bunch, best of the lot). [*f. prec.*]

pick'a-back, *adv.* On shoulders or back like a bundle (of the way person or thing is carried). [*f.*]

pick'āx(e), *n., & v.t. & i.* = **PICK¹**; (*v.t.*) break (ground etc.) with ~; (*v.i.*) work with ~. [*ME & OF picais cogn. w. OF pice PIKE¹, assim. to AXE*]

pick'elhaube (-howbe), *n.* German spiked helmet. [*G.=spike cap*]

pick'er, n. One who picks, gathers, or collects, as *hop, rag, ~*; kinds of instrument for picking (in var. senses). [*-ER¹*]

pick'erel, n. Young pike. [*PIKE¹, -REL*]

pick'et, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Pointed stake or peg driven into ground to form palisade, tether horse, etc.; (stake with pointed top on which person stood as) form of military punishment (*hist.*). 2. (*mil.*) (Also *piquet, piquet*) small body of troops sent out (*outlying ~*) to watch for enemy, or (*inlying ~*) held ready in quarters, party of sentries, outpost; (*in mod. use, chiefly*) camp-guard doing police duty in garrison town etc. 3. (*Usu. pl.*) men stationed in a body or singly by trade union to dissuade men from work during strike etc. 4. *vb.* Secure (place) with stakes, tether; post (men) as ~; beset (workmen) with ~s; act as ~. [*(vb f. n.) f. F piquet pointed stake f. piquer prick*]

pick'ing, n. In *vbl* senses, esp.: ~ & stealing; (*pl.*) gleanings, remaining scraps; (*pl.*) perquisites, pilferings. [*-ING¹*]

pic'kle, n., & v.t. 1. Brine, vinegar, or similar liquor in which flesh, vegetables, etc., are preserved; *ROD in ~*; food, esp. (*pl.*) vegetables preserved in ~; acid solution for cleaning purposes etc.; *sad, sorry, nice, etc. ~* (plight); mischievous child. 2. *v.t.* Preserve in ~ (*esp. in p.p.*), treat with ~; (*Naut.*) rub salt or vinegar

on (person's back) after flogging; ~d (sl.), drunk. [prob. f. M Du. *pekel* etym. dub.]

pick'some, a. Fastidious. [PICK² + SOME] || **pick'wick**, n. Cheap kind of cigar. [f. Mr P~ in Dickens]

Pickwick'ian, a. (Joc.). (Of words) used in a ~ (technical, constructive, or esoteric) sense. [see Dickens *Pickwick* ch. 1]

pic'nic, n. & v.i. (-ek-). 1. Pleasure party including meal out of doors; (colloq.) something specially agreeable or easily accomplished (no ~, not an easy job). 2. v.i. Take part in ~. Hence ~KER¹ n., ~KY² a. (colloq.). [(vb f. n.) f. F *pique-nique* etym. dub.]

picot' (-kô), n. Small loop of twisted thread in edging to lace etc. [F, dim. of *pie* peak, point]

picotee', n. Carnation of which flowers have light ground with darker edging to petals. [f. F *picolé* p.p. of *picoter* prick, as prec.]

picquet. See PICKET.

pic'ric, a. ~ acid, yellow very bitter substance used in dyeing & surgery, & in explosives. [f. Gk *pikros* bitter + -ic]

Pict, n. One of an ancient people in N. Britain. Hence **Pic'tish**¹ a. [LL has *Picti* perh. f. *pingere* pict- paint]

pic'tograph (-ahf), n. Pictorial symbol; primitive record consisting of these. Hence **pic'tograph'ic** a., **pic'tog'raphy**¹ n. [f. L *pingere* pict- paint + -GRAPH]

pic'torial, a. & n. 1. Of, expressed in, picture(s); illustrated; picturesque. 2. n. Journal of which pictures are main feature. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL *pictorius* (pictor painter, as foll.) + -AL]

pic'ture, n., & v.t. 1. Painting, drawing, of objects esp. as work of art; portrait; beautiful object, as *her hat is a ~*; scene, total visual impression produced, (fig.) conjuncture or affair (out of, come into, the ~, irrelevant, become interesting etc.); *she looks the very ~* (a perfect type) of health. 2. ~book (for children, consisting chiefly or wholly of ~s); ~card, court-card; ~gallery, (hall etc. containing) collection of ~s; ~hat, lady's wide-brimmed hat usu. black with ostrich-feathers as in ~s of Reynolds & Gainsborough; ~postcard (with ~ on back); ~writing, mode of recording events etc. by ~s, as in early hieroglyphs etc.; || *moving ~s* or ellipt. *the ~s* (cinematographic); || ~palace, -theatre, -drome, building etc. in which moving ~s are shown. 3. v.t. Represent in ~, describe graphically, imagine (to oneself). Hence **pic'turize** (-keher-) v.t., = FILM v. [(vb f. n.) f. L *pictura* (pingere pict- paint, see -URRE)]

picturesque' (-keheresk), a. Like, fit to be the subject of, a striking picture; (of language etc.) strikingly graphic, vivid. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *pittoresque* f. It. *pittoresco* (pittore painter, as PICTORIAL, see -ESQUE)]

pic'ul, n. Chinese weight (133½ lb.); ~stick (for carrying weights across shoulders). [Malay]

pid'dle, v.i. (Aroh.) work, act, in trifling way; (colloq. or childish) make water. [?]

pidd'ock, n. Bivalve mollusc used for bait. [?]

pidg'in, **pi'geon** (-jn), a. & n. 1. ~ *English*, jargon chiefly of English words used between Chinese & Europeans. 2. n. || (colloq.). (A person's) business, job. [corrupt. of *business*]

pie¹, n. = MAGPIE; French, rain-, wood-, ~, kinds of woodpecker; SEA~. [OF, f. L *pica*]

pie², n. Dish of meat, fruit, etc., enclosed in or covered with paste & baked; APPLE~ (fig.); *have a finger in the ~*, be (esp. officiously) concerned in the matter; *bran ~*, tub of bran with toys etc. hidden in it to be drawn at random at Christmas festivities etc.; *MUD ~*; ~crust, baked paste of ~, (prov.) promises are like ~crust, made to be broken; ~man (-an), vendor of ~s. [perh. = *piec*-, f. miscellaneous contents compared to piebald appearance of magpie]

pie³, n., & v.t. (print.). (Also *printers' ~*) confused mass of type; (fig.) chaos; (v.t.) mix (type). [perh. as prec.]

pie⁴, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Copper coin, twelfth part of anna. [f. Hind. *pa'i* f. Skr. *pad* quarter, prob. orig. same as PICE]

piebald (pi'bawld), a. Of two colours irregularly arranged, esp. black & white (usu. of animal, esp. horse); (fig.) motley, mongrel. [PIE¹ + BALD]

piece¹, n. 1. One of the distinct portions of which thing is composed; *in ~s*, broken; *break to ~s* (fragments); *pick up the ~s* (said to fallen child etc.). 2. Enclosed portion of (land). 3. Detached portion (of a substance); a ~ of one's mind, one's candid opinion, rebuke. 4. Definite quantity (of wallpaper = 12 yds. of masonry = 10 yds, etc.) in which thing is made up. 5. Cask (of wine etc.) varying in capacity. 6. ~ (product) of work; example, specimen, as a ~ of impudence, fine ~ of painting, cricket, etc.; ~ of oons. 7. Fire-arm, (barrel of) artillery weapon. 8. Man at chess, draughts, etc. 9. Coin, as crown, penny, ~; ~ of eight (i.e. REAL¹s), Spanish dollar. 10. Picture; literary or musical composition, usu. short; drama. 11. Paid by the ~ (according to amount done); of a ~, uniform, consistent, in keeping (with); ~goods, textile fabrics (esp. Lancashire cotton goods) woven in recognized lengths; ~work (paid for by the ~). [ME & OF *pece*, cf. It. *pezza*, -zo, etc., etym. dub.]

piece², v.t. Put together, form into a whole; join threads in spinning, whence **pie'cer**² n.; fit on (thing to another); eke out; make out (story, theory, chain of evidence) by combination of parts; join together; patch up. [f. prec.]

pièce de résistance (see Ap.), n. Most substantial dish at meal (also fig.). [F] **piece-meal** (-sm-), adv., a., & n. (Also *by* ~) piece by piece, part at a time; (adj.) done etc. ~. [ME (PIECE, OE *-mēlum* suf. f. instr. pl. of *mēl* MEAL²)]

pied (piɛ), a. Particoloured. [PIE¹, -ED²] **pied à terre** (pyãd'atãr'), n. Rest for the sole of one's foot, somewhere to stay. [F] **pie(-)dog**. See PYEDOG.

pier, n. Breakwater, mole; structure of iron or wood open below running out into sea & used as promenade & landing-stage, whence ~AGE(4) n.; support of spans of bridge; pillar; solid masonry between windows etc.; ~glass, large mirror orig. used to fill up this. [12th c. per f. med. L *pera* etym. dub.]

pierce, v.t. & i. (Of sharp instrument etc., also fig. of cold, pain, grief, glance, discernment, discerning person, shriek, etc.) penetrate; prick (substance with pin etc.); make hole in (cask etc.); force one's way through or into; penetrate through, into, etc. Hence **piercingly**² adv. [f. OF *percer* etym. dub.]

Pier'ian (or -i-ri-), a. Of Pieria in N. Thessaly, reputed home of Muses. [f. L *Pierius* + -AN]

pierrôt (pi'ẽrõ, pyẽrõ), n. (fem. *pierrêlle*). French pantomime character; itinerant minstrel with whitened face & loose white dress. [F, dir. of *Pierre* PIER¹]

pietã (pyãt'ah), n. Picture, sculpture, of Virgin Mary holding dead body of Christ on her lap. [It., f. L AS PIETY]

pi'et'ism, n. Spenser's movement for revival of piety in Lutheran Church in 17th c.; pious sentiment, exaggeration or affectation of this. So ~IST n., ~is'tic(AL) aa. [f. G *pietismus* (as PIETY, see -ISM)]

pi'et'y, n. Quality of being pious. [f. OF *pietẽ* f. L *pietatem* (as PIOUS, see -TY)]

piẽzõm'eter, n. Kinds of instrument for measuring pressure or the sense of it. [f. Gk *piezõ* press + -O- + -METER]

pi'f'le, v.i., & n. (sl.). 1. Talk or act feebly, trifle. 2. n. Twaddle. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ing a., trivial, worthless. [f]

pig, n., & v.i. & t. (-gg-). 1. Swine, hog; flesh of (usu. young or sucking) ~ as meat, esp. *roast* ~; GUINEA-~ (lit. & fig.). 2. (colloq.). Greedy, dirty, sulky, obstinate, or annoying person, whence ~g'ish¹ a., ~g'ishly² adv., ~g'ishness n., (-g-). 3. Oblong mass of metal (usu. iron) from smelting-furnace, esp. ~iron. 4. Segment of orange. 5. Buy a ~ in a poke, buy thing without seeing it or knowing its value; bring one's ~s to a fine, a pretty, the wrong, market, fail in a venture; ~s might fly, wonders might happen; please the ~s, joc. substitute for please God. 6. ~headed, obstinate, stupid, whence ~-headedly adv., ~headedness n.; ~jump, (of horse) jump sportively from all four legs not brought together as in buck-

jumping; ~nut, a tuber, kind of EARTH-nut; ~skin, (leather made of) ~s skin, (sl.) saddle; ~sticking, hunting of wild boar with spear, butchering of swine, so ~sticker n. (also, long-bladed pocket-knife); ~sty, sty for ~s, (fig.) dirty hovel; ~s wash, ~wash, swill of brewery or kitchen given to ~s; ~weed, kinds of herb eaten by ~s. 7. v.t. & i. Bring forth (~s, or abs.). 8. v.i. Herd together like ~s (also ~ it). Hence ~LET, ~LING¹, nn., ~LIKE a. [ME *pigge*, etym. dub.]

pi'geon (-jn), n., & v.t. 1. Bird with many varieties, wild, domesticated, produced by fancy breeding, trained to carry missiles, etc., the dove, (now preferred to *dove* exc. in poet. & rhet. contexts, or of the turtle-dove); carrier~, homing ~, (trained to carry home messages tied to its neck etc.). 2. Simpleton, gull, as PLUCK² a ~. 3. Clay ~, clay saucer thrown into air from trap as mark for shooting; ~breast, deformed human chest laterally constricted, so ~-breasted; ~English, see PIDGIN; ~gram, message carried by ~; ~hole, small recess for ~ to nest in, one of a set of compartments for papers etc. in cabinet etc., (v.t.) deposit (document) in this, put aside (matter) for future consideration, assign (thing) to definite place in memory; ~ pair, boy & girl twins, or boy & girl as sole children; ~s milk, partly-digested food with which ~s feed their young, || imaginary article for which children are sent on fool's errand; ~toed, having the toes turned inwards. 4. v.t. Cheat (person of thing). [f. OF *pipon* f. LL *pipionem* (nom. -io) young cheeping bird (*pipire* cheep)]

pi'geon'y (-jn-), n. Pigeon-house, [-RY] **pigg'ery** (-g-), n. Pig-breeding establishment; pigsty; dirty place; piggishness. [-ERY]

pigg'y (-g-), n. Little pig; (nursery) ~-wigg'y, little pig, dirty child; || game of tip-cat. [-Y²]

pig'ment, n. Colouring-matter used as paint or dye; natural colouring-matter of a tissue. Hence ~AL (-ẽn), ~ARY¹, aa. [f. L *pigmentum* (pig- root of *pingere* paint, -MENT)]

pigmy. See PYGMY.

pig'tail, n. Tobacco twisted into thin roll; plait of hair hanging from back of head, esp. as worn by Chinese under the Manchus, by young girls, & formerly by soldiers & sailors. Hence ~ED² (-id) a.

pike¹, n., & v.t. 1. Long wooden shaft with steel or iron head, infantry weapon superseded by the bayonet; || (dial.) pickaxe, spike; || ~man, miner who uses pickaxe. 2. [perh. diff. wd of Norse orig.] || Peaked top of hill (in names of hills in Lake district). 3. [prob. abbr. of ~fish, from its pointed snout]. Large voracious freshwater fish, jack. 4. v.t. Thrust through, kill, with ~. [(in first sense f.

F *pique*, cf. F *piquer* prick, *pie* pickaxe, cogn. w.) OE *pic*, etym. dub.]

pike², n. Toll-bar; toll; turnpike road; ~*man*, keeper of turnpike. [abbr. of TURNPIKE]

pike'lét (-kl-), n. Kind of teacake. [f. W (*bara*) *pygylt* pilych (bread)]

***pik'er**, n. (colloq.). Cautious or timid gambler, a poor sport. [?]

pike'staff (-kstaft), n. Wooden shaft of pike; *plain* as a ~ [orig. *packstaff*, smooth staff used by pedlar], quite plain. [PIKE¹ + STAFF¹]

pilās'ter, n. Rectangular column, esp. one engaged in wall. [f. F *pilastre* f. It. *pilastrum* f. med. L *pilastrum* (L *pila* pillar, see -ASTER)]

pilau', -aw, -āff, n. Oriental dish of rice with meat, spices, etc. [Pers. (-au-)]

pilch, n. Infant's wrapper worn over diaper. [OE *pylce*, as PELISSE]

pil'chard, n. Small sea-fish allied to herring. [?]

pil'cōrn, n. Kind of oat in which husk does not adhere to grain. [= *pilled corn*]

pile¹, n., & v.t. 1. Pointed stake or post; heavy beam driven vertically into bed of river etc. as support for bridge etc.; ~*driver*, machine for driving ~s. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~s, drive ~s into. [OE *pīl* f. L *pīlum* javelin]

pile², n. 1. Heap of things laid more or less regularly upon one another; (*funeral*) ~, heap of combustibles on which corpse is burnt; (colloq.) heap of money, fortune, as *make a ~*, *make one's ~* (as much as one wants). 2. Lofty mass of buildings. 3. Series of plates of dissimilar metals laid one upon another alternately for producing electric current; (also *atomic ~*) apparatus designed to contain uranium & a moderating agent for the study or utilization of atomic energy. [F, f. L *pīla* pillar]

pile³, v.t. Heap up (often *up*, *on*); ~*arms*, place (usu. four) rifles with butts on ground & muzzles interlocked; ~*up* (Naut.), run (ship) on rocks or aground; (colloq.) ~*up* (or *on*) *the agony*, intensify painful description etc., ~*it on*, exaggerate; load (table etc. *with*). [f. prec.]

|| **pile**⁴, n. (arch.). Reverse of coin; *cross* or ~, heads or tails. [as **PILE**¹, orig. = under iron of minting apparatus]

pile⁵, n. Soft hair, down, wool of sheep; nap on cloth, esp. on velvet, plush, etc., or on carpet, as *two*, *three*, ~ *carpet*. Hence **pil'y** a. [f. L *pīlus* hair]

pile⁶, n. (Pl.) haemorrhoids, disease marked by tumours of veins of lower rectum; (sing.) such tumour; ~*wort*, lesser celandine (from reputed efficacy against ~s). [f. L *pīla* ball]

pil'fer, v.t. & i. Steal (thing, or abs.) esp. in small quantities. Hence ~*AGE*(3), ~*ER*¹, nn. [ult. f. OF *pelfre* PELS]

pilgari'ic, n. (arch.). Bald head; bald-

headed man; poor creature. [= *pilled* or *peeled garlic*]

pil'grim, n., & v.i. One who journeys to sacred place as act of religious devotion; person regarded as journeying to a future life (*The P~s Progress*); traveller; *The P~s of Gt Britain, of the U.S.*, societies fostering Anglo-American friendship by mutual hospitality etc.; ~*Falchrs*, English Puritans who founded colony of Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1620; (v.i.) wander like a ~. Hence ~*IZE*(2) v.i. [ME *pelegrim* f. OF **pelegrin* f. L *peregrinus* stranger f. PER(e)gre f. *ager* field] abroad, ~*INE*¹]

pil'grimage, n., & v.i. Pilgrim's journey, esp. *go on* (a) ~; (fig.) mortal life viewed as a journey; (v.i.) *go on* a ~. [f. OF *pelerinage* f. *peleriner* go as a pilgrim (as prec.)]

pilif'erous, a. Having hair (esp. in Bot.). So **pil'iform** a. [f. L *pīlus* hair, see -*FEROUS*]

pill¹, n., & v.t. 1. Small ball of medicinal substance for swallowing whole (a ~ *to cure an earthquake*, half measures); (fig.) something that has to be done, a humiliation etc., (*swallow the ~*, a *bitter ~*, etc.); ~*box*, shallow cylindrical box for holding ~s, (joc.) small vehicle or building, (Mil.) small isolated chiefly underground concrete fort; **GILD**¹ the ~; (sl. or joc.) hall, e.g. cannon-ball, tennis-ball, || (pl.) billiards; ~*wort*, kinds of plant with small globular involucre. 2. v.t. (sl.). Blackball, defeat. [f. L *pīlula* dim. of *pīla* ball]

|| **pill**², v.t. (arch.). Pillage, plunder; (dial.) = **PEEL**³. [prob. f. L *pīlare* make bare of hair (*pīlus*), cf. **PEEL**³]

pill'agle, n., & v.t. 1. Plunder, esp. as practised in war. 2. v.t. Sack, plunder, (place, person, or abs.). Hence ~*ER*¹ n. [vb f. n.] F, f. *piller* as prec., see -*AGE*]

pill'ar, n., & v.t. 1. Vertical structure of stone, wood, metal, etc., slender in proportion to height, used as support or ornament; post, pedestal; (fig.) person who is a main supporter, as a ~ *of the faith*; upright mass of air, water, etc.; (Mining) solid mass of coal etc. left to support roof of the working; *driven from ~ to post* (to & fro, from one resource to another); || ~*box*, hollow ~ about 5 ft high in which letters may be posted. 2. v.t. Support (as) with ~s. Hence ~*ET*¹ n. [f. OF *pīler* f. late pop. L *pīlare* (*pīla* pillar, see -*AR*¹)]

pill'ion (-lyon), n. (Hist.) woman's light saddle, cushion attached to hinder part of saddle for second rider, usu. woman; (mod.) seating for passenger behind motor-cyclist etc. [prob. of Celt. orig., ult. f. L *pellis* skin]

pill'iwinks, n. (hist.). Instrument of torture for squeezing fingers. [?]

pill'ory, n., & v.t. 1. Wooden framework with holes for head & hands of offender

exposed to public ridicule etc. **2. v.t.** Put in the ~, (fig.) expose to ridicule. [f. OF *pellori*, etym. dub.]

pill'ow (-ò), n., & v.t. & i. **1.** Cushion of linen etc. stuffed with feathers etc. as support for head in reclining esp. in bed; *take counsel of one's ~*, take a night to reflect; (techn.) ~-shaped block or support; ~-case, ~-slip, washable case of linen etc. for ~; ~-fight, = **BOLSTER**²-fight. **2. vb.** Rest, prop up, on ~; rest on ~. Hence ~-y² (-ò) a. [OE *pyle*, *pylu*, cf. Du. *peluw*, G *pfuhl*]

pil'öse, -ous, aa. Covered with hair. Hence **pilös'ITY** n. [f. L *pilosus* (*pilus* hair, -ose¹)]

pil'ot, n., & v.t. **1.** Person qualified to take charge of ships entering or leaving a harbour (*drop the ~*, abandon trusted adviser); steersman (arch.); (Aeronaut.) person navigating aircraft or qualified to do so, (now) one who operates the flying controls of an aircraft (*P~ Officer*, rank in **ATR**¹ Force); (fig.) guide, esp. in hunting-field. **2.** ~-cloth, blue woollen cloth for greatcoat etc.; ~-engine (clearing the way for another); ~-jacket, = **PEA-JACKET**; ~-fish, small fish said to act as ~ to shark. **3. v.t.** Conduct as ~ (lit. & fig.); act as ~ on (way, piece of water); act as ~ of (aircraft). Hence or cogn. = **AGE**(3, 4) n., ~-LESS a. [f. F *pillotte* f. It. *pilota* perh. f. It. *pedota*, cf. It. *pedoto* rudder perh. f. Gk *pēdon* oar, (pl.) rudder]

Pil't down, n. A **SUSSEX** hamlet; ~ *skull* (found at ~, & until 1953 believed to belong to a prehistoric type of man).

pil'üle, **pill**-, n. Pill; small pill. Hence **pil'ülar**¹, **pil'ülar**², aa. [F, as **PILL**¹]
|| **pim'elöde**, n. Cat-fish. [f. Gk *pimelōdēs* fatty (*pimelē* fat, see -**ODE**)]

pimēn'tō, n. Dried aromatic berries of a certain tree, Jamaica pepper; the tree. [f. Sp. *pimentia* f. L *pimentum* **PIGMENT**, (med. L) spice]

pimp, n., & v.i. Pander. [etym. dub.; F has *pimpant* seductive in appearance]

pim'pennē, n. Small annual found in cornfields & waste ground, with scarlet (also blue or white) flowers closing in cloudy or rainy weather. [f. OF *pimprenele* f. med. L *pipinella* perh. corrupt. of *bipinnella* double dim. of B(*pennis* f. *penna* feather) two-winged]

pim'ping, a. Small, mean; sickly. [?]
pim'ple, n. Small solid round tumour of the skin, usu. inflammatory. Hence ~-ED² (-ld), ~Y², aa. [?]

pin¹, n. **1.** Thin piece of (usu. tinned brass or iron) wire with sharp point & round flattened head for fastening together parts of dress, papers, etc. **2.** Peg of wood or metal for various purposes (*split ~*, metal cotter to be passed through hole & held there by the gaping of its split end); each of the pegs round which strings of musical instrument are fast-

ened; **THOLE**², **BELAYING**, **DRAWING**, ~, **HAIR**~, || **NINEPIN**; *don't care a ~* (at all). **3.** pl. (colloq.). Legs, as *quick on his ~s*. **4.** ~s & needles, tingling sensation in limb recovering from numbness. **5.** Small cask of 4½ gal. **6.** ~-cushion, small cushion for sticking ~s in to keep them ready for use; ~-feather, ungrown feather; ~-fire cartridge (exploded by means of ~); ~-head, (fig.) minute thing; ~-hole (made by ~ or into which peg fits); ~-money, annual allowance to woman for dress expenses etc., allowance settled on wife for private expenditure; ~-point, point of ~, (fig.) something very small, (attrib. of targets) small & requiring very accurate & precise bombing & shelling, (v.t.) locate or bomb (such target) with the requisite accuracy & precision; ~-prick, (fig.) trifling irritation; ~-table, kinds of mechanical amusement & gambling device; ~-tail, kinds of duck & grouse with pointed tail; ~-tuck, very narrow ornamental tuck; ~-wheel, small Catherine-wheel. [com.-LG: OE *pinna*, Du. *pin*, G *pin(ne)*; perh. f. L *pinna* point]

pin², v.t. (-nn-). Fasten (thing) to another, up, etc., things together with pin(s); ~ up (Archit.), = **UNDERPIN**; transfix with pin, lance, etc.; ~ one's faith (rely implicitly) on (person etc.); seize & hold fast (against wall etc.); blind (person etc., often down) to (promise, arrangement); enclose by bars etc.; ~-up n., picture of some favourite or famous person ~ned up on wall etc. (also attrib., esp. ~-up girl). [f. prec.]

pin'aförje, n. Child's washable covering worn over frock to protect it from dirt. Hence ~-ED² (-örd) n. [**PIN**² + **AFÖR**]

pinäs'ter, n. A pine indigenous to SW. Europe. [L = wild pine (*pinus*, -**ASTER**)]

pince-naz (see Ap.), n. Pair of eyeglasses with spring to clip nose. [F, lit. = pinch-nose]

pin'cers (-z), n. pl. (Also a pair of ~) gripping tool made of two limbs pivoted together forming pair of jaws with pair of handles to press them together with; similar organ of crustaceans etc.; ~ movement, (Mil.) converging movement (also *pincer movement*, *attack*, etc.). [ME *pinsours* (as **PINCH** v., see -**OR**²)]

pincette (pānsēt'), n. Small pincers, tweezers. [F]

pinch¹, n. Nip, squeeze; (fig.) stress (of poverty etc.); at a ~ (critical juncture); as much as can be taken up with tips of finger and thumb, as a ~ of snuff, salt. [f. foll.]

pinch², v.t. & i. Nip, squeeze, esp. between tips of finger & thumb (also fig. of cold, hunger, etc., esp. ~ed with cold); that is where the shoe ~es, that is the difficulty or trouble; extort (money etc. from, out of, person etc.); stint (person etc. in, of,

for, food etc.); be niggardly; || urge (horse esp. in race); sail (purposely or not) too close to wind; (sl.) steal (thing), rob (person), arrest, take into custody. [f. ONF ⁺*pinchier* (F *pincer*), etym. dub.]

pinch'beck, n. & a. 1. Gold-like alloy of copper & zinc used in cheap jewellery etc. 2. adj. Counterfeit, sham. [f. (C. P~, watchmaker, d. 1732)]

Pinda'ri (-ahré), n. Mounted marauder in India in 17th & 18th cc. [f. Hind. *pin-dari*]

Pindá'ric, a. & n. 1. Of, like, the Greek poet Pindar. 2. n. (usu. pl.). ~ ode(s), metre, verse(s). [f. L f. Gk *Pindarikos* (*Pindaros*, see -ic)]

pine¹, n. Genus of trees with evergreen needle-shaped leaves growing in sheathed clusters of two or more (cf. FIR), many species of which afford timber, tar, & turpentine; ~apple; ~apple, large collective fruit of the ananas, so called from resemblance to ~cone, (sl.) hand-grenade; ~beauty, ~carpet, moths whose larvae feed on ~trees; ~cone, fruit of the ~; ~marten, dark-brown British marten. [OE *pin* f. L *pinus*]

pine², v.i. Languish, waste away, from grief, disease, etc.; long eagerly (for, after, to do). [OE *pinian* f. obs. *pin* pain f. L *poena* punishment, pain]

pin'éal, a. (anat.). Shaped like a pine-cone; ~gland, gland of unknown function behind third ventricle of brain. [f. F *pinéal* f. L *pinea* PINE¹-cone, see -AL]

pin'éry, n. Place in which pineapples are grown; plantation of pines. [-ERY]

pin'fold, n., & v.t. Pound for stray cattle etc.; (v.t.) confine in this. [OE *punðfold* (⁺*puñd* POUND² + *fold* FOLD)]

ping, n., & v.i. 1. Abrupt ringing sound as of rifle bullet flying through air. 2. v.i. Make, fly with, this. [imit.]

ping-póng', n. Table-tennis, game like lawn-tennis played on table with celluloid balls & (usu.) parchment or wooden bats. [imit. f. sound of bat]

ping'uid (-ngw-), a. (usu. loc.). Fat, oily, greasy. [f. L *pinguis* fat + -UD¹]

ping'uin (-ngw-), n. W.-Ind. plant allied to pineapple; its fruit. [?]

pin'ion¹ (-nyon), n. Terminal segment of bird's wing; (poet.) wing; any flight-feather of wing; (in carving) part of wing corresponding to forearm. [f. OF *pinçon* f. L *penna* feather, -oon]

pin'ion² (-nyon), v.t. Cut off pinion of (wing, bird) to prevent flight; bind the arms of (person), bind (arms); bind (person etc.) fast to (thing). [f. prec.]

pin'ion³ (-nyon), n. Small cog-wheel engaging with larger one; cogged spindle engaging with wheel. [f. F *pinion* f. OF *penon* battlement f. L *penna* battlement, see -oon]

pink¹, n. & a. 1. Garden plant with sweet-smelling white, ~, crimson, or varie-

gated flowers. 2. The ~ (embodied perfection) of elegance etc.; the ~ (most perfect condition) of health etc. (also sl., in the ~, abs., quite well). 3. (Of a) pale red slightly inclining to purple. 4. Fox-hunter's red coat, cloth of this; fox-hunter. 5. adj. Of pale red colour of various kinds, as *rose*, *salmon*, ~, whence ~ISH¹, ~Y² ad., ~NESS n.; (Pol.) verging on red; ~ eye, contagious fever of horse, contagious ophthalmia in man. [?]

pink², n. Yellowish pigment made by combining vegetable colouring matter with some white base (*Brown*, *French*, *Dutch*, etc. ~) [?]

pink³, n. (hist.). Sailing-vessel esp. with narrow stern (orig. small & flat-bottomed). [prob. f. Mfm. *pincke* etym. dub.]

pink⁴, v.t. Pierce with sword etc.; (also ~ out) ornament (leather etc.) with perforations; adorn, deck. [cf. LG *pinken* strike, peck, perh. var. of *picken* PICK²]

|| **pink**⁵, n. Young salmon; (dial.) minnow. [also in dial. G]

pink⁶, v.i. (Of a motor-engine) emit series of high-pitched explosive sounds caused by detonation of mixture following partial combustion. [imit.]

***Pink'ster**, n. Whitsuntide; *p~ flower*, pink azalea. [Du., = Pentecost]

pinna, n. (pl. -ae). Broad upper part of external ear; primary division of pinnate leaf; fin, fin-like structure. [L. = *penna*]

pinn'ace, n. War ship's double-banked (usu. eight-oared) boat now usu. driven by steam or petrol. [f. F *pinasse* prob. f. L *pinus* PINE¹]

pinn'acle, n., & v.t. Small ornamental turret usu. ending in pyramid or cone, crowning a battress, roof, etc.; natural peak; (fig.) culmination, climax; (v.t.) set (as) on ~, form the ~ of, furnish with ~s. [ME & OF *pinacle* f. LL *pinnaculum* (pinna wing, see -CLE)]

pinn'ate, a. (Bot., of compound leaf) with series of leaflets on each side of common petiole; (Zool.) with branches, tentacles, etc., on each side of an axis. Hence **pinn'ated** [-ATE²] a., ~LY² adv. [f. L *pinnatus* feathered (PINNA, see -ATE²)]

pinn'er, n. In vhl senses; also, coif with two long side-flaps pinned on. [f. PIN v. + -ER¹]

pinn'i- in comb. = PINNA fin, as: ~grade, ~ped, aa. & nm., fin-footed (animal).

pinn'othère, -tère, n. Genus of small crabs commensally inhabiting shells of oyster, mussel, etc. [f. L f. Gk *pinnothères* (pina bivalve mollusc, + *têrêō* guard)]

pinn'ulle, n. (Bot.) secondary division of pinnate leaf; (Zool.) part, organ, like small wing or fin; sight at end of index of astrolabe etc. Hence ~AR¹ a. [f. L *pinnula* dim. of PINNA]

pinn'y, n. Childish abbr. of PINAFORN.

***pin'oc(h)le** (-ôk; or pé-), n. Game like bezique. [?]

***pinôl'è**, n. Meal made from parched corn-flour mixed with sweet flour, sugar, etc. [Amer.-Sp., f. Aztec *pinolli*]

pint, n. Measure of capacity for liquids etc., 1/16 of gallon. [f. F *pinte*, etym. dub.]

pinta'dô (-ah-), n. (pl. ~s). (Now usu. ~ *bird*, *petrel*) kind of petrel; guinea-fowl. [f. Port. *pintado* painted, p.p. of *pintar* f. L *pingere* ~ *pinct-* for *pict-*]

pin'tle, n. Kinds of pin or bolt, esp. one on which some other part turns. [OE *pinetle* penis, etym. dub., cf. Du. & G *pin* penis]

***pin'tô** (or *pô-*), a. & n. Piebald (horse). [Sp.]

pinç'it, **pinçer'ant**, v.t. (So-&-so) painted it (in signature to picture, as *FRUIT*). [L]

pin'y, a. Of, like, abounding in, pines. [-v²]

pinet (nyôlâ'), n. Alpinist's ice-axe. [F] **pioneer**, n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Mil.) one of body of foot-soldiers marching in advance with spades etc. to prepare road for main body; beginner of enterprise, original explorer, etc. 2. v.i. Act as ~. 3. v.t. Open up (road etc.) as ~; act as ~ to, conduct. [(v.b. f. n.) f. F *pionnier* foot-soldier, pioneer, (*pion*, f. L as *PAWN*¹, -IER)]

piou-piou (pyôô-pyôû'), n. (Pop.) typical French private soldier. [F]

pi'ous, a. Devout, religious; ~ *founder* (of college etc.) for glory of God & good of man; (arch.) dutiful; ~ *FRAUD*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *pious* dutiful, pious, -OUS]

pip¹, n. Disease of poultry, hawks, etc., marked by thick mucus in throat & often by white scale on tip of tongue; || (sl.) fit of depression, bad temper, (*he has, gives me, the ~*). [prob. f. MDu. *pippe* f. pop. L *pipita* corrupt. of *pituita* phlegm]

pip², n. Each spot on playing-cards, dice, or dominoes; star (1-3 acc. to rank) on army officer's shoulder; single blossom of clustered inflorescence; rhomboidal segment of surface of pineapple. [earlier *peep*, etym. dub.]

|| **pip**³, v.t. (colloq.; -pp-). Blackball; defeat; hit with shot. [f. prec. or foll.]

pip⁴, n. Seed of apple, pear, orange, etc. Hence ~LESS a. [prob. abbr. of *PIPPIN*]

|| **pip**⁵, signallers' letter P, as in ~ *emma*, o. ~.

|| **pip**⁶, n. Short high-pitched sound, usu. mechanically produced (*the six ~s of the time-signal*). [imit.]

pipal. See *PEEPUL*.

pipe¹, n. 1. Tube of wood, metal, etc., esp. for conveying water, gas, etc. 2. Musical wind-instrument consisting of single tube; each of the tubes by which sound is produced in organ; (pl.)=BAG¹-s; boatswain's whistle, sounding of this. 3. Voice, esp. in singing; song, note, of bird. 4. Tubular organ, vessel, etc., in animal body. 5. Cylindrical vein of ore.

6. Channel of decoy for wild fowl. 7. (Also *tobacco*-~) narrow tube of clay, wood, etc., with bowl at one end for drawing in smoke of tobacco, quantity of tobacco held by this, as *light, smoke, a ~*; PEACE-~; || *King's or Queen's ~*, furnace at London Docks used formerly for burning contraband tobacco; *put that in your ~ & smoke it*, digest that fact etc. if you can. 8. Cask for wine, esp. as measure usu. = 105 gal. 9. ~ *clay*, fine white clay used for tobacco-~s & (esp. by soldiers) for cleaning white breeches, belts, etc., (fig.) excessive attention to minutiae of dress etc. in regiment, (v.t.) whiten with ~clay; *~ *dream*, a notion as fantastic as a dream produced by opium-smoking; ~ *fish*, (kinds of) long slender fish with elongated snout: ~ *light*, spill for lighting ~; ~ *line* (esp. for conveying petroleum to a distance): ~ *major*, N.C.O. commanding regimental pipers; ~ *rack* (for tobacco-~s); ~ *rolls* (hist.), records of the old national Exchequer offices (prob. because subsidiary documents were rolled in ~ form); ~ *stone*, hard red clay used by Amer. Indians for tobacco-~s. Hence ~ *FUL* (-fûôl) n., ~ *LESS* (-pl-), **pip'y**², aa. [OE *pipe*, cf. Du. *pijp*, G *peife*, ult. f. L as foll.]

pipe², v.i. & t. 1. Play (tune etc., or abs.) on pipe; lead, bring, (person etc.) by sound of pipe; summon (crew up, to meal, work, etc.) by sounding whistle (~ *away*, give signal for boat to start); whistle; utter in shrill voice; ~ *down*, (Naut.) dismiss from duty, (sl.) be less noisy or cocksure; ~ *up*, begin to play or sing; ~ one's *eye(s)*, weep. 2. Propagate (pinks etc.) by cuttings taken off at joint of stem. 3. Trim (dress), ornament (cake etc.), with *PIPING*¹. 4. Furnish with pipes; convey (oil, water, gas, etc.) by pipes. [OE *pipian* f. L *pipare* pipe, chirp]

|| **pip émm'a**, adv. (sl.). Post meridiem. [signallers' names for letters P, M]

pip'er, n. One who plays on pipe, esp. strolling musician; bagpipe-player; *pay the ~ (& call the tune)*, bear the cost (& have control) of a proceeding etc.; kinds of fish; broken-winded horse; || decoy-dog. [OE *pipere* (PIPE¹ + ER¹)]

pipette, n. Slender tube for transferring etc. small quantities, esp. in chemistry. [F, dim. of PIPE¹]

pip'ing¹, n. In vbl senses, also: ornamentation of dress by means of cord enclosed in pipe-like fold; ornamental cord-like lines of sugar on cake. [f. PIPE² + -ING¹]

pip'ing², a. In vbl senses; *the ~ time(s) of peace* (marked by piping as opp. to martial music); ~ (hissing) *hot*. [f. PIPE² + -ING²]

pipistrél(le), n. Small kind of bat. [F (-le), f. It. *pipistrello*, *vip-*, f. L *vespertilio* bat (*vesper* evening)]

pip'it, n. Bird like lark. [prob. imit.]

pip'kin, n. Small earthenware pot or pan. [?]

pipp'in, n. Kinds of apple. [ME & OF *pepin* seed, etym. dub.]

pip-squeak, n. (sl.). Shell that emits sound so described; insignificant or contemptible person or thing. [imit.]

piquant (pék'ant), a. Agreeably pungent, sharp, appetizing; (fig.) pleasantly stimulating or disturbing to the mind. Hence **PIQUANCY** (pék'an-) n., ~LY² adv. [F (as foll., see -ANT); F fem. ~e also as E fem., pron. pékah'nt or as F]

piquer¹ (pék), v.t. & n. 1. Irritate, wound the pride of; arouse (curiosity, interest); plume oneself on. 2. n. Ill-feeling, enmity, resentment, as in a fit of ~, took a ~ against one. [f. F *piquer* vb prick, irritate, *piquer* n., cf. PICK²]

piquer² (pék), n., & v.t. & i. Winning of 30 points in cards and play at piquet before opponent begins to count; (v.t.) score a ~ against; (v.i.) score a ~. [(vb f. n.) f. F *pic* etym. dub.]

piqué (pék'á), n. Stiff ribbed cotton fabric. [F, p.p. of *piquer*, see PIQUE¹]

piquet¹ (-két; or piké), n. Card game for two players with pack of 32 cards. [F, etym. dub.]

piquet². See PICKET.

pirá'gua, pēriá'gua, (-gwa), n. Long narrow canoe made from single tree-trunk; two-masted sailing-boat. [Sp., f. Carib, = dug-out]

pir'ate, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Ship used by) sea-robber; marauder; one who infringes another's copyright; || bus that encroaches on recognized routes or overcharges or preys on passengers. 2. v.t. Plunder; reproduce (book etc.) without leave for one's own profit. 3. v.i. Play the ~. Hence or cogn. **PIR'ACY** n., **PIRÁT'IC** (AL) aa., **PIRÁT'ICALLY**² adv. [(vb f. n.) f. L (-ia) f. Gk *peiratēs* (peiraō attempt, assault)]

pirogue¹ (-ōg), n. = PIRAGUA. [F]

pirouette¹ (-rōb-), n., & v.i. 1. Ballet-dancer's spin round on one foot or on point of toe. 2. v.i. Dance thus. [(n.) F, = top, cf. It. *piruolo* top, *pirone* iron peg; vb f. F *pirouetter*]

pis aller (pēzālā', & see Ap.), n. Course etc. taken for want of a better. [F (*pis* worse + *aller* go)]

pis'carý, n. Common of ~, right of fishing in another's water in common with owner (& others). [f. med. L *piscaria* neut. pl. of *piscarius* fishing (*piscis* fish, sec -ARY¹)]

pis'catory, a. Of fishers or fishing, whence **piscatō'riAL** a.; addicted to fishing. [f. L *piscatorius* (*piscator* fisher f. *piscis* fish)]

Pis'ces (-z), n. pl. The Fishes, 12th zodiacal constellation; 12th sign of zodiac. [L. pl. of *piscis* fish]

pis'ciculture, n. Artificial rearing of fish. Hence **pis'cicult'URAL** a., **pis'cicult'**

turist n., (-cher-). [f. L *piscis* fish + CULTURE]

pisci'na (-si-, -sē-), n. (pl. -ae, -as). Fish-pond; ancient-Roman bathing-pond; (Eccl.) perforated stone basin for carrying away water used in rinsing chalices etc. [L, f. *piscis* fish]

pis'cine¹ (or -ēn), n. Bathing-pool. [F, f. prec.]

pis'cine², a. Of fish. [f. L *piscis* fish, -INE¹]

pisciv'orous, a. Fish-eating. [as prec. + -VOROUS]

pisé (péz'á), n. Rammed clay or earth (& gravel) as building-material. [F, p.p. of *piser* pound f. L *pis(n)sare* pound]

Pis'gah (-zga), n. Mountain whence Moses viewed the Promised Land (*Deut.* iii. 27); (fig.) ~ *glance*, *prospect*, etc. [Heb.]

pish, int. expr. contempt, impatience, or disgust; (v.i.) say ~. [natural]

|| **pishogue**¹ (-ōg), n. (Ir.). Sorcery; charm, spell. [f. Ir. *pis(r)og*]

pis'iform (pis-, piz-), a. Pen-shaped; ~ bone, small bone of upper row of carpus. [f. L *pisum* pea + -FORM]

pis'mire, n. Ant. [f. foll. (from smell of anthill) + obs. *mire* ant, cf. Du. *mier*]

pi'ss, v.i. & t., & n. (not now in polite use). 1. Make water; discharge (blood etc.) with the urine; wet with urine; (p.p., sl.) drunk.

2. n. Urine. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *pissier* etym. dub.]

pista'chio (-āshō, -ashō, -āchō), n. (pl. ~s). (Tree yielding) nut with greenish edible kernel; colour of this. [f. It. *pistacchio* & Sp. *pistacho* f. L f. Gk *pistakion*]

pis'til, n. Female organ of flower, comprising ovary, style, & stigma. Hence ~IARY¹, ~IATE²(2), ~IIV'EROUS, ~IINE¹, aa. [as PESTLE]

pis'tol, n., & v.t. (-il-). 1. Small fire-arm held & fired by one hand; *within*, *beyond*, ~shot (range of ~); ~grip, handhold of ~-butt shape below gunstock. 2. v.t. Shoot with ~. [f. obs. F *pistole* prob. shortened f. *pistolet* dagger, pistol, dim. f. It. *pistolese* (dagger) made at *Pistoia*]

pistōle¹, n. (hist.). Foreign gold coin, esp. Spanish coin worth about 18s. [F, prob. shortened f. *pistolet*, etym. dub., perh. as prec.]

pis'tolgraph (-ahf), n. Early apparatus for instantaneous photography. [-GRAPH]

pis'ton, n. Disk or short cylinder of wood, metal, etc., fitting closely within tube in which it moves up & down, used in steam-engine, pump, etc., to impart or receive motion by means of ~-rod; sliding valve in cornet etc. [F, f. It. *pistone* var. of *pestone* PESTLE]

pit¹, n. 1. Natural hole in ground; hole made in digging for mineral etc. or for industrial purposes, as *chalk*, *clay*, *gravel*, *coal*, *saw*, *tan*, ~; covered hole as trap for wild beasts or (esp. Bibl.) for enemies

(*dig a ~ for*, fig., try to ensnare); *the ~ (of hell)*, hell; COCKPIT. 2. Hollow in animal or plant body or on any surface; ~ of the stomach, depression between cartilages of false ribs; depressed scar, as after smallpox. 3. || That part of auditorium of theatre which is on floor of house, now usu. the part of this behind stalls; || people occupying this. 4. (Motor-racing) place at which cars are refuelled, re-tired, etc. 5. *Part of floor of an exchange allotted to special trading (*wheat-~*). 6. ~fall, covered ~ as trap for animals etc., (fig.) unsuspected snare or danger; ~man, collier, *connecting rod in machinery; || ~pony (kept underground in coal-mines). [OE *pytt*, cf. Du. *put*, G *pfütze*, f. L *puleus* well]

pit¹, v.t. & i. (-tt-). Put into a pit (esp. vegetables etc. for storage); set (cock, dog, etc.) to fight in pit (*against* another), (fig.) match (person *against*); make pits, esp. scars, in (esp. in p.p.); (Path., of flesh etc.) retain impression of finger etc. when touched. [f. prec.]

pit²(a)-pāt, adv. & n. With the sound ~, palpitatingly, falteringly, as his heart, *feel, went ~*; (n.) the sound ~. [imit.]

pitch¹, n., & v.t. 1. Black or dark-brown tenacious resinous substance, semi-liquid when hot, hard when cold, got from distillation of tar or turpentine, used for caulking seams of ships etc. (~ *black*, ~ *darkness*, with no light at all); ~blende, native oxide of uranium, found in ~like masses, important source of radium; ~cap, cap lined with ~, used as instrument of torture; ~pine, specially resinous kinds of pine; ~stone, old volcanic rock looking like ~. 2. v.t. Cover, coat, smear, with ~. [(OE *pician* vb f.) OE *pic* f. L *pix* pitch]

pitch², v.t. & i. 1. Fix & erect (tent, camp); (abs.) encamp. 2. (Crick.) ~ *wickets*, fix stumps in ground & place bails; fix, plant, (thing) in definite position; expose (ware) for sale in market etc. 3. Pave (road) with set stones. 4. ~ed *battle* (of set kind, not casual). 5. (Mus.) set at particular pitch, (fig.) express in particular style. 6. Throw, fling; (in games) throw (flat object) towards a mark; (sl.) tell (tale, yarn). 7. (Golf) play (ball) with pitch shot (see foll.). 8. Fall heavily (on one's head, *into*, etc.); (of ship) plunge in longitudinal direction (cf. *ROLL²*). 9. ~ *in* (colloq.), set to work vigorously; ~ *into* (colloq.), assail forcibly with blows, words, etc., make vigorous attack on, (person, food, etc.); ~ *upon*, happen to select; ~-*&-lose*, game of skill & chance in which coins are ~ed at a mark; ~-*farthing*, = CRUX¹-*farthing*. [ME *pichen*, etym. dub., perh. cogn. w. *PICK²*]

pitch³, n. 1. Pitching (e.g. of ship). 2. Mode of delivering cricket-ball in bowling; (Golf, also ~ *shot*) lofted approach

shot with little run to ball after alighting.

3. Quantity of commodity pitched in market. 4. || Place at which one (e.g. street performer, bookmaker) is stationed; (Crick.) place between & about wickets. 5. Height to which falcon etc. soars before swooping on prey, as *fly a high* etc. ~ (also fig.). 6. Height, degree, intensity, (of quality etc.); (Mus.) degree of acuteness or graveness of tone. 7. Degree of slope; steepness of roof's slope; (Mech.) distance between successive points or lines, e.g. between successive teeth of cog-wheel. 8. ~-*pipe*, small pipe blown by mouth to set ~ for singing or tuning; ~-*wheel*, toothed wheel engaging with another. [f. prec.]

pitch'er¹, n. Large usu. earthenware vessel with handle or two ears & usu. a lip, for holding liquids; *little ~s have long ears*, children are apt to overhear; (Bot.) modified leaf in ~ form, ~-*plant* (with such leaves). Hence ~FUL(2) n. [f. OF *picnier* f. mod. L *picarium*, bic-, breaker]

pitch'er², n. In vb senses of *PITCH²*, esp.: player who delivers ball, esp. in baseball; || street vendor who pitches stall in fixed place; stone used for paving. [-ER¹]

pitch'fork, n., & v.t. 1. Long-handled fork with two sharp prongs for pitching hay etc.; tuning-fork. 2. v.t. Cast (as) with ~, (fig.) thrust (person) forcibly (*into* position, office, etc.). [earlier *pickfork*, prob. f. *PICK¹* + *FORK*, assoc. w. *PITCH²*]

pitch'y, a. Of, like, dark etc. as, pitch. [-y²]

pit'eous, a. Calling for pity, deplorable. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME *pitous* f. OF *pitos* f. L ⁺*pietiosus* (as *PIETY*, see -TROUS)]

pith, n., & v.t. Spongy cellular tissue in stems & branches of dicotyledonous plants; similar tissue lining rind of orange etc.; spinal cord; (fig.) essential part, quintessence, (often ~ & marrow of); physical strength, vigour; force, energy; of ~ (importance) & moment (Shaks. *Ham.* III. i. 86); (v.t.) slaughter (animal) by severing spinal cord. Hence ~LESS a. [(vb f. n.) OE *piþa*, cf. MDu. *pitte*, Da. *pit*]

pithécān'thrōpe, n. Ape-man, hypothetical link between ape & man. [f. Gk *piþēkos* ape + *anthrōpos* man]

pithéc'oid, a. Ape-like. [as prec., see -OID]

pith'y, a. Of, like, abounding in, pith; condensed & forcible, terse. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-y²]

pit'iable, n. Calling for pity or contempt. Hence ~LENESS n., ~LY² adv. [OF (as *PITY*, see -ADLE)]

pit'iful, a. Compassionate; (of things) calling for pity; contemptible. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

pit'iless, a. Showing no pity. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

pit'pán, *n.* Central American dug-out boat. [perh. native]

pitt'ance, *n.* (Hist.) pious bequest to religious house for extra food etc.; allowance, remuneration, esp. scanty one, as a *mere* ~; small number or amount. [f. OF *pitance*; OF has also *pitance* pity (as *PIETY* + *-ANCE*)]

|| **pitt'ite**, *n.* Person occupying seat in pit of theatre. [-ITE¹]

pitū'itārý, *a.* Of or secreting phlegm, mucous; ~ *gland, body*, a small ductless gland at the base of the brain believed to have an important influence over the growth of the body. So **pitū'itous** *a.*, **pitū'itrix** *n.*, hormone produced by ~ body, solution containing this used medicinally. [f. L *pituitarius* (*pituita* phlegm, see -ARY¹)]

pit'y, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Feeling of tenderness aroused by person's distress or suffering, as *cannot help feeling ~ for him, felt no ~ for him, in ~ of his fate; take ~ on*, feel or act compassionately towards; (as form of entreaty) *for ~s sake*; regrettable fact, ground for regret, as *what a ~ I, more's the ~* (so much the worse), *it is a thousand pities you did not mention it*; (arch.) *it is or was ~ of them*, one feels sorry for them. 2. *v.t.* Feel (often contemptuous) ~ for, as *he is much to be pitied, I ~ you if you think that*. Hence ~ingly² *adv.* [(*v.b* f. *n.*) f. OF *pitet* f. L as *PIETY*]

pitýri'asis, *n.* (path.). Skin disease characterized by the shedding of bran-like scales. [f. Gk *piturias* (*pituron* bran, -ASIS)]

piv'ot, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Short shaft or pin on which something turns or oscillates; (Mil.) man on whom body of troops wheels; (fig.) cardinal or crucial point. 2. *v.b.* Furnish with, attach by, ~; turn as on ~, hinge (*upon*, often fig.). Hence ~AL *a.* [F, etym. dub.]

pix'y, -xíe, *n.* Being akin to fairy. Hence ***pix'illated** *a.* (dial.), slightly crazy. [?]

pizzicato (*pitseikah'tò*), *adv.*, *a.*, & *n.* (mus.). (Played) by plucking string of violin etc. with finger instead of using bow; (*n.*) passage, note, so played. [It.]

piz'zle, *n.* (now vulg.). Penis of animal esp. that of bull formerly used as flogging instrument. [16th c., cf. Du. *pees*]

plac'able, *a.* Easily appeased, mild, forgiving. Hence or cogn. ~ABLY¹ *adv.* ~ABLY² *adv.* [OF, f. L *placabilis* (*placare* appease, see -BLE)]

plac'ard, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Document printed on one side of single sheet for posting up, poster. 2. *v.t.* (also *plakard*). Set up ~s on (wall etc.), advertise (wares etc.) by ~s, display (poster etc.) as ~. [OF, f. *plaque* *v.b* plaster f. Du. *plakken* glue, prob. imit., see -ARD]

placâte' (or *plac'ât*), *v.t.* Pacify, conciliate, (now chiefly U.S. of purchasing the

connivance etc. of opponents). [f. L *placare*, see -ATE¹]

plāce', *n.* 1. Particular part of space; part of space occupied by person or thing, as *it has changed its ~*. 2. City, town, village, etc.; (in names of groups of buildings) *Ely* etc. *P~*; residence, dwelling; country-house with surroundings. 3. Building, spot, devoted to specified purpose, as ~ of *amusement, worship, bathing*; ~; || (H. of Commons) *another ~*, H. of Lords. 4. Particular spot on surface etc., as *a sore ~ on his wrist*. 5. Passage of book etc. 6. Rank, station, as *serenits must know their ~, keep him in his ~*. 7. (Racing) position among placed competitors. 8. Position of figure in series as indicating its value in decimal or similar notation, as *calculated to 50 decimal ~s*. 9. Step in progression of argument, statement, etc., as *in the first, second, ~*. 10. Proper or natural position, as *take your ~s, there is no ~ for doubt, is in or out of (its, his) ~*; space, seat, accommodation, for person etc. at table, in conveyance, etc., as *take two ~s in the coach, always a ~ for you at our table; in ~ of*, instead of; *take the ~ of*, be substituted for. 11. Office, employment, esp. government appointment; duties of office etc., as *it is not my ~ to inquire into that*. 12. *In, out of, ~*, (un)suitable, (in)appropriate; *give ~ to*, make room for, be succeeded by; *take ~*, happen. 13. ~brick (imperfectly burnt from being on windward side of kiln); ~ (-kick) (Footb.), kick made when ball is previously placed by another player for that purpose on ground; ~man, holder of public office, esp. one appointed from motives of interest. [F, f. L f. Gk *plateia* (*hodos*) broad (way)]

plāce', *v.t.* 1. Put (thing etc.) in particular place; arrange (set of things) in their proper places. 2. Appoint (person, esp. clergyman) to post; find situation, living, etc., for. 3. Invest (money); dispose of (goods) to customer; put (order for goods etc.) into hands of firm etc. 4. Repose (confidence etc. *in, on*). 5. Assign rank to; locate; fully identify, remember circumstances of previous meeting with, assign to a class (*I know that man's face but I can't ~ him*). 6. State position of (usu. any of first 3 horses or runners) in race; *be ~d*, be among first three. 7. Get (goal) by **PLACE'**-kick. [prec.]

placēb'ō, *n.* (pl. ~s, ~es). (Eccl.) opening antiphon of the vespers for the dead; (Mod.) medicine given to humour, rather than cure, the patient. [L, =I shall be acceptable (*placere* please), first word of *Ps. cxvi. 9* (Vulg.)]

placén'tia, *n.* (pl. ~ae). Flattened circular spongy vascular organ in higher mammals, expelled in parturition after nourishing foetus, which is attached to it by umbilical cord; (Bot.) part of carpel to

which ovules are attached. Hence ~AL a. [f. L *placenta* = Gk *plakoeis* -entos flat cake f. root of *plax* *plakos* flat plate]

plā'cer, n. Deposit of sand, gravel, etc., in bed of stream etc. containing valuable minerals in particles. [Amer. Sp., cogn. w. *placel* sandbank f. *plaza* PLACER¹]

|| **plā'cēt**, sentence & n. (Univv.). ~, *non* ~, it pleases me (not) (forms used in voting for or against measure); (n.) such vote. [L]

plā'cid, a. Mild; peaceful; serene. Hence or cogn. **placid'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *placidus* (*placēre* please, see -ID¹)]

plāck'ēt, n. Pocket, esp. in woman's skirt; ~hole, opening in outer skirt giving access to this. [perh. var. of PLACARD]

plāc'oid, a. (Of scales) plate-shaped; (of fish) with ~ scales. [f. Gk *plax* *plakos* plate, -oid]

plāfond (plāfawh'), n. Ceiling, esp. one enriched with paintings; such painting. [F]

plāg'al, a. (mus.). (Of ecclesiastical modes) having their sounds comprised between the dominant & its octave; ~ *cadence* (in which chord of subdominant immediately precedes that of the tonic). Cf. AUTHENTIC. [f. med. L *plagalis* f. *plaga* ~ mode, prob. f. med. L f. Gk *plagios* oblique, (med. Gk) *plagal*, f. *plagos* side]

plage (plahzh), n. Sea beach (esp. at fashionable resort). [F]

plā'giar'ize, v.t. Take and use another person's (thoughts, writings, inventions, or abs.) as one's own. So ~ISM, ~IST, nn. [f. foll. + -IZE]

plā'giar'y, n. (arch.). = PLAGIARISM; = PLAGIARIST. [f. L *plagiarius* kidnapper (*plagiare* kidnap)]

plā'gio- in comb. = Gk *plagios* oblique, as: ~cephāl'ic, having anterior part of skull more developed on one side, posterior on the other; ~clas'tic (Min.), having oblique cleavage; ~stōme, fish with mouth placed transversely beneath snout, as sharks & rays.

plāgue (-g), n., & v.t. 1. Affliction, esp. as divine punishment; (colloq.) nuisance, trouble; pestilence, esp. the (oriental or bubonic) ~; (as imprecation) ~ on it / etc.; ~spot, spot on skin characteristic of ~, locality infected with ~, (fig.) source or symptom of moral corruption. 2. v.t. Afflict with ~; (colloq.) annoy, bother, whence ~SOME (-gs-) a. (colloq.). [ME & OF *plage* f. L *plaga* stroke (*plag-* root of *plangere* beat breast, cf. Gk *plēgē* stroke, *plēsō* strike)]

plāg'u'y (-gi), a. & adv. (colloq.). Annoying(ly); exceeding(ly), as was ~y glad to get back again. Hence ~LY² (-gi-) adv. [f. proc. + -Y¹]

plaiçe, n. European flat-fish much used as food. [f. OF *plais* f. LL *platessa* perh. f. Gk *platys* broad]

plaid (plād, Sc. plād), n. Long piece of

twilled woollen cloth, usu. with chequered or tartan pattern, outer article of Highland costume; cloth used for this. Hence ~ED² a. [cf. Gael. *plaidie*, Ir. *plóid*, etym. dub.]

plain¹, a., adv., & n. 1. Clear, evident; simple, readily understood, as ~ words, English; not intricate, as ~ sewing; unembellished, (of drawings etc.) not coloured; (of food) not rich or highly seasoned; not luxurious, as ~ living; outspoken, straightforward, (esp. be ~ with, tell home truths to); unsophisticated, as I am a ~ man; of homely manners, dress, or appearance; ugly, as a pity the poor girl is so ~; ~ as a PIKESTAFF. 2. adv. Clearly, as learn to speak ~. 3. ~ cards (not court-cards); ~chant, = ~song; ~ clothes, unofficial dress; ~ dealing, candour, straightforwardness; ~ sailing, sailing in a ~ course, (fig.) simple course of action; ~song, vocal music composed in medieval modes & in free rhythm depending on accentuation of the words, and sung in unison; ~spoken, outspoken; ~suit (not trumps); ~tile, flat roofing-tile. 4. n. Level tract of country; ~sman, inhabitant of a ~. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS (-n-n) n. [OF, f. L *planus* a., -num neut. adj. as n.]

|| **plain²**, v.i. (arch., poet.). Mourn; complain; emit plaintive sound. [f. OF *plaindre* (st. *plaign-*) f. L *plangere* *plac-* boat breast]

plaint, n. '|| (Law) accusation, charge; (poet.) lamentation, complaint. [ME & OF (1) *plaint* f. L *plancus* -ūs, (2) *plainte* f. med. L *planta* fem. p.p. as n.; both as prec.]

plain'tiff, n. Party who brings suit into court of law, prosecutor. [OF, as foll.]

plain'tive, a. Expressive of sorrow; mournful. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF (-if, -ive), f. L as PLAIN², see -IVE]

plait (plāt), n., & v.t. 1. (Now usu. **PLEAT**) fold, crease, esp. flattened fold in cloth made by doubling it upon itself; (v.t.) fold (cloth etc.) thus. 2. (Now rarely **FLAT**) contexture of three or more interlaced strands of hair, ribbon, straw, etc.; (v.t.) form (hair, straw, etc.) into ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *pleit*, *plait*, f. L *plicare* *plictum* fold]

plān, n., & v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. Drawing, diagram, made by projection on flat surface (cf. **ELEVATION**), esp. one showing relative position of parts of (one floor of) a building; large-scale detailed map of town or district; table indicating times, places, etc., of intended proceedings etc.; scheme of arrangement; project, design; way of proceeding, as the better ~ is to peel them after boiling; ~ of CAMPAIGN; (Perspective) any of the imaginary planes, perpendicular to line of vision, passing through objects shown in picture. 2. vb. Make a ~ of (ground, existing building);

design (building to be constructed etc.); scheme, arrange beforehand, (procedure etc.); make ~s. Hence ~LESS a. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L as PLAIN¹]

plānch (-sh), n. Slab of metal, stone, etc., esp. of baked fire-clay used in enamelling. [f. F *planche* PLANK¹]

plān'chét (-sh-), n. Plain disk of metal of which coin is made. [prec. + -ET¹]

plānchétte' (-sh-, & see Ap.), n. Small usu. heart-shaped board supported by two castors & pencil, which when person's fingers rest lightly on board is said to trace letters etc. without conscious direction. [F, dim. of *planche* PLANK¹]

plāne¹, n. Tall spreading tree of genus *Platanus* with broad angular palmately-lobed leaves; ~tree (of this genus). [F, f. L f. Gk *platanos* (*platus* broad)]

plāne², n., & v.t. 1. Tool for smoothing surface of woodwork by paring shavings from it, consisting of wooden or metal stock from smooth bottom of which projects a steel blade; similar tool for smoothing metal; *smoothing*~ (used to finish surface, cf. JACK¹ & TRYING~); *moulding*~ (for making mouldings). 2. v.t. Smooth (wood, metal) with ~, pare away or down (irregularities) with ~; (arch.) level, esp. ~ the way. [(n.) F, f. LL *plana*, (vb) f. F *planer*; both f. L *planare* (as PLANE⁴)]

plāne³, n., & v.i. 1. Surface such that the straight line joining any two points in it lies wholly in it; imaginary surface of this kind in which points or lines in material bodies lie; level surface; flat thin object such as table-top, supporting part of aeroplane; (colloq.) aeroplane; *INCLINE*~; each of the natural faces of a crystal. 2. Main road in mine. 3. (fig.). Level (of thought, knowledge, etc.), as *his superstition places him on the same ~ as the savage*. 4. ~ sailing, art of determining ship's position on the theory that she is moving on a ~, (fig., now usu. PLAIN¹ sailing) simple course. 5. v.i. Travel, glide (down etc.), in aeroplane. [f. L *planum* neut. as foll.]

plāne⁴, a. Perfectly level, as a PLANE³; (of angle, figure, etc.) lying in a plane; ~ *chart* (on which meridians & parallels of latitude are represented by equidistant straight lines, used in PLANE³ sailing); ~ *table*, surveying instrument used for direct plotting in the field, (v.t.) survey (area) with this. [f. L *planus* flat, level, refresh. f. PLAIN a.]

plān'ét¹, n. (Hist.) heavenly body distinguished from fixed stars by having apparent motion of its own (Moon, Mercury, Venus, Sun, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn), esp. (Astron.) with reference to its supposed influence on persons & events; (Astron.) *primary* ~s, heavenly bodies revolving in approximately circular orbits round sun (*major* ~s, Mercury, Venus, Earth,

Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto; *minor* ~s, the asteroids, whose orbits lie between those of Mars & Jupiter); *secondary* ~s (also *satellites*), those that revolve round primary; SUN & ~; ~ *struck*, ~ *stricken*, bewildered, terrified. [ME & OF *planele* f. LL f. Gk *planētēs* wanderer, planet, f. *planasmai* wander]

plān'ét², n. Chasuble. [f. med. L *planetā* perh. as prec.]

plānētār'ium, n. Orrery, model of planetary system. [as foll.]

plān'etary, a. Of planets, as ~ *influence*, *motions*; ~ *hour*, twelfth part of natural day or night; ~ (solar) *system*; terrestrial, mundane; wandering, erratic. [f. LL *planetarius* (as PLANET¹, see -ARY¹)]

plānētēs'imāl, n. One of a vast number of minute planetoids which, according to the ~ *hypothesis*, formed the bodies of the planets by accretion in a cold state. [f. PLANET¹ after infinitesimal]

plān'etoid, n. Minor PLANET¹. [-OID]

plān'gient (-j-), a. (Of sound) thrilling, vibrating, moaning, insistent. Hence ~ENCY n. [f. L *plangere* beat the breast, see -ENT]

plan|i- in comb. =L *planus* level, smooth, plane, as: ~ *im'eter*, instrument for mechanically measuring area of irregular plane figure; ~ *im'etry*, measurement of plane surfaces, so *plān'imē'tricāl* a.; *plān'ipet'alous*, with flat petals; *plān'tisphere*, map formed by projection of (part of) sphere or plane, (*revolving* ~ *isphere*, device for showing the part of the heavens visible at given time & place), so *plān'isphē'ric* a.

plān'ish, v.t. Flatten (sheet metal etc.) with smooth-faced hammer or otherwise; flatten out (coining-metal) between rollers; polish (photograph etc.) with roller etc. Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [f. obs. F *planir* smooth (*plan* a. as PLANE⁴), see -ISH¹]

plānk¹, n. Long flat piece of timber, 2 to 6 in. thick, 9 or more in. wide (cf. BOARD¹); item of political or other programme (cf. PLATFORM); *walk the* ~, (of pirates' captive etc.) walk blindfold into sea along ~ laid over side of ship; ~ *bed* (of boards, without mattress, used as prison discipline etc.). [f. ONF *planke* f. LL *planca* prob. f. root of Gk *plux* *placos* flat plate]

plānk², v.t. Furnish, cover, floor, with planks, whence ~ING¹ (2, 3) n.; (sl.) put down, esp. pay (money, or abs.) down on the spot. [f. prec.]

plānk'tōn, n. (biol.). The (chiefly microscopic) forms of drifting or floating organic life found at various depths in seas, lakes, rivers, etc., taken collectively (cf. BENTHOS & NEKTON). [G, f. Gk *plagktos* wandering (*plasmat*)]

plāno- in comb. =L *planus* level, flat, as: ~ *conc'ave*, ~ *conv'eer*, (of lens etc.) with one

surface plane & the other concave, convex; *plānōm'eler*, flat plane, usu. of cast iron, as gauge for plane surfaces.

plant¹ (-ah-), n. 1. Living organism capable of living wholly on inorganic substances & having neither power of locomotion nor special organs of sensation or digestion, member of the vegetable kingdom (often restricted to the smaller ~s, excluding trees and shrubs). 2. Crop; growth, as *in* ~, growing, *lose* ~, die off, *miss* ~, fail to spring from seed. 3. Mode of planting oneself, pose. 4. Fixtures, implements, machinery, etc., used in industrial process; (fig.) machinery of intellectual work etc. 5. (sl.). Planned swindle or burglary, hoax. 6. ~*louse*, kinds of insect that infest ~s, esp. aphids. Hence ~*LET* n., ~*LIKE* a. [OE *plante* f. L *planta* slip, cutting; partly also f. foll.]

plant² (-ah-), v.t. 1. Place (tree, shoot, bulb, seed, crop, etc.) in ground that it may take root & grow; deposit (young fish, spawn, oysters) in river etc.; ~ *out*, transfer (plant) from pot or frame to open ground, set out (seedlings) at intervals. 2. Fix firmly (*in*, *on*, ground etc.); station (person), esp. as spy; ~ *oneself*, take up a position. 3. Establish, found, (community, city, church); settle (person) in a place as colonist etc.; cause (idea etc.) to take root (in mind); furnish (land with plants, district with settlers, etc.). 4. Deliver (blow, thrust) with definite aim. 5. (sl.). Conceal (stolen goods etc.); bury; place (gold-dust, ore) in mining claim to encourage prospective buyer, cf. *SALT* v.; devise (fraudulent scheme). 6. Abandon, as *there I was, fairly ~ed*. Hence ~*ABLE* a. [OE *plantian* f. L *plantare*, cf. prec.]

Plāntā'gēnēt, n. & a. (Member) of the family founded by Geoffrey of Anjou, esp. any of the English kings from Henry II to Richard III. [surname, f. sprig of broom (L *planta* plant, *genesta* broom) worn as cognizance]

plān'tain¹ (-tin), n. Genus of plants, esp. *Greater P*~, low herb with broad flat leaves spread out close to ground & seeds much used for cage-birds. [ME & OF, f. L *plantaginem* (nom. -*go*) prob. f. *planta* sole of foot, from its prostrate leaves]

plān'tain² (-tin), n. Tree-like tropical herbaceous plant allied to banana and bearing similar fruit; its fruit. [16th-c. *platanian* f. Sp. *plataniano*; Sp. has also *plataniano* PLANE¹-tree (obs. E *plantain*)]

plān'tar, a. (annt.). Of the sole of the foot. (f. L *plantaris* (*planta* sole, see -AR¹))

plāntā'tion, n. Assemblage of planted growing plants, esp. trees; estate on which cotton, tobacco, etc., are cultivated (formerly by servile labour); ~ *song* (of the kind sung by Negroes on American ~s); (Hist.) colonization, colony. [f. L *plantatio* (as PLANT², see -ATION)]

plān'ter¹ (-ah-), n. Cultivator of soil; (in

Ireland) English settler on forfeited lands in 17th c., (19th c.) person settled in evicted tenant's holding; occupier of plantation, esp. in (sub-)tropical countries, as *coffee*, *cotton*, *sugar*, *tobacco*, ~; machine for planting, as *corn*, *potato*, ~. Hence ~*SHIP* n. [PLANT² + -ER¹]

plānt'igrāde, a. & n. (Animal) that walks on its soles (cf. DIGITIGRADER); (of human being) placing whole sole on ground at once in walking. [F, f. L *planta* sole + -*gradus* -walking]

plāntōc'racy, n. Dominant class of planters in W. Indies etc. [irreg. f. PLANTER + -O- + -CRACY]

plānx'ty, n. (Ir. mus.). Animated harp-tune moving in triplets. [?]

plaque (plahk), n. Ornamental tablet of metal, porcelain, etc., plain or decorated; small tablet as badge of rank in honorary order; (Path.) patch of eruption etc. So **plaquette**¹ (-ákēt) n. [F, f. Flem. *placke*, small coin, whence Sc. *plack*]

plāsh¹, n. Marshy pool; puddle. Hence ~*Y*² a. [OE *plæsc*, cf. Du. *plas*, prob. imit.]

plāsh², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Strike surface of (water) so as to break it up; splash (t. & i.). 2. n. Splash, plunge. Hence ~*Y*² a. [cf. Du. *plassen*, G *platschen*, prob. imit.]

plāsh³, v.t. Bend down and interweave (branches, twigs) to form hedge; make, renew, (hedge) thus. [f. OF *plaisier* ult. f. L *plectere* plait; cf. PLEACH]

plāsm, n. Living matter of a cell, protoplasm, esp. general body of this as distinct from nucleus. [f. foll.]

plās'mia (-z-), n. 1. Green variety of quartz. 2. Colourless coagulable part of blood, lymph, or milk, in which the corpuscles or oil-globules float, so ~*āt*¹⁰ a. 3. = prec., whence ~*ic* (-z-) a. [LL & Gk (gon. -*matos*), = thing moulded (*plassō* mould, see -M)]

plāsmōd'ium (-z-), n. (biol.; pl. -*ia*). Mass of naked protoplasm formed by fusion or aggregation of amoeboid bodies without fusion of their nuclei; generic name of microscopic parasitic organism whose presence & rapid multiplication in the blood of man constitute malaria. [mod. L, f. PLASMA + -*odium*, see -ODE]

plāsmōl'ysis (-zm-), n. Loss of water from, & consequent contraction of, protoplasm of vegetable cell due to immersion in a solution stronger than the cell fluid. So **plās'molýse** (-zm-) v.t., subject to ~. [f. PLASM-, -O-, Gk *lysis* losing f. *luō* to loose]

plā'ster¹ (-ah-), n. 1. Curative application consisting of some substance spread upon muslin etc. & capable of adhering at the temperature of the body, as COURT¹, MUSTARD, sticking-, ~. 2. Soft plastic mixture, esp. of lime, sand, & hair, for spreading on walls etc. to form smooth surface; ~ *of Paris*, fine white ~ of gypsum used for making moulds & as

cement etc. [prepared from gypsums of Montmartre, Paris]. Hence ~Y¹ a. [OE, f. pop. L *plastrum* f. L f. Gk *emplastron* for *emplastion* thing daubed on f. EM(*plassō* mould)]

plā'ster¹ (-ah-), v.t. 1. Cover (wall etc.) with plaster or the like, whence ~RR¹ n.; coat, bedaub; (fig.) load to excess (with praise etc.). 2. Apply medical plaster to, (joc.) give compensation for (blow, wound); stick, fix, (thing) like plaster upon surface. 3. Treat (wine) with gypsum etc. to neutralize acidity. [f. prec.]

plās'tic, a. Moulding, giving form to clay, wax, etc.; ~arts, those concerned with modelling, e.g. sculpture, ceramics; ~surgery (repairing deficiency of structure); causing growth of natural forms, formative of immaterial things; produced by moulding; capable of being (easily) moulded; ~clay (Geol.), middle group of Eocene beds; (fig.) pliant, supple; (Biol.) capable of forming living tissue, (also) accompanied by this process, as ~bronchitis. Hence **plās'tically** adv., **plāstī'city** n., **plās'tics** n. pl., group of synthetic resinous or other substances that can be moulded into any form. [f. L f. Gk *plastikos* (*plassō* mould, see -ic)]

plās'ticine, n. Plastic substance used esp. in schools as substitute for modelling clay. [P; -INE⁴]

plās'tron, n. Fencor's leather-covered breast-plate; breast-covering of facings-cloth worn by lancers; ornamental front to woman's bodice; man's starched shirt-front; ventral part of shell of tortoise or turtle, corresponding part in other animals; (Hist.) steel breast-plate. [F, f. lt. *piastrone* (*piastra* breast-plate, as **PLASTER**; see -oon)]

plāt¹, n. Patch, plot, of ground, as *grass-*~. [collat. form of **PLOT**]

plāt², n., & v.t. (-tt-). = **PLATT** (2nd sense).

plat³ (plah), n. Dish of food. [F, see **PLATE**¹]

plāt'an, n. Plane-tree. [f. L *platanus* plane-tree]

plāte¹, n. 1. Flat thin usu. rigid sheet of metal etc. of even surface and more or less uniform thickness; this as part of mechanism. 2. Smooth piece of metal etc. for engraving; impression from this; = **BOOK**¹~. 3. Piece of metal with name or inscription for affixing to something, as *coffin*, *door*, *name*, ~. 4. Thin sheet of metal, glass, etc., coated with sensitive film for photograph (*whole*~-, 8½ × 6½ in., *half*~-, 6½ × 4½, *quarter*~-, 4½ × 3½). 5. Stereotype or electrotype cast of page of composed movable types, from which sheets are printed. 6. Horizontal timber laid along top of wall to support ends of joists or rafters, or at top or bottom of a framing, as *roof*, *wall*, *window*, ~. 7. (Also ~*rail*) early form of railroad. 8. (collect.

sing.). || Table & domestic utensils of silver, gold, or other metal, as *pepper*~, *electro*~. 9. Silver or gold cup as prize for (orig. horse-) race, such race; *selling*~, horse-race winner of which must be sold at fixed price. 10. Shallow usu. circular vessel, now usu. of earthenware or china, from which food is eaten, as *dessert*, *dinner*, *soup*, ~; contents of this, as a ~ of *strawberries*; similar vessel used for collection in churches etc., as *put a shilling in the*~. 11. Thin piece of plastic material, moulded to shape of gums etc., to which artificial teeth are attached. 12. **Home*, *pitcher's*, ~, stations of batter, pitcher, in baseball. 13. || ~*basket* (for spoons, forks, etc.); ~*glass*, thick glass of fine quality cast in ~s for shop windows etc.; || ~*layer*, man employed in fixing & repairing railway; ~*mark*, = **HALL**-*mark*, (also) impression left on margin of engraving by pressure of the ~ (hence ~*marked mount* for photographs); ~*powder* (for cleaning silver); || ~*rack* (in which ~s are kept or placed to drain). Hence ~*FUL*(2) (-tʃʊl) n., ~*LESS* a. [ME & OF, fem. of *plat* flat, perh. ult. f. Gk *platus* broad]

plāte², v.t. Cover (esp. ship) with plates of metal for protection, ornament, etc.; cover (other metal) with thin coat of silver, gold, or tin; make a plate of (type) for printing. [f. prec.]

plateau¹ (-tō), n. (pl. ~s, pr. -z). Tableland; ornamented tray or dish; decorative plaque; woman's hat with level top. [F, f. OF *plate* dim. of **PLAT**¹]

plāt'en, -tt-, n. Plate in printing-press by which paper is pressed against type; corresponding part in typewriters etc. [f. OF *platine* flat piece (*plat*, see **PLATE**²)]

plāt'er, n. One who plates with silver etc.; one who makes or applies plates in ship-building; inferior race-horse, competing chiefly for plates. [-ER¹]

plāt'form, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Raised level surface, natural or artificial terrace; || raised surface of planks etc. along side of line at railway station; raised flooring in hall or open air from which speaker addresses audience, (fig.) *the*~, ~ oratory; (fig.) political basis of party etc., esp. **declaration* issued by representatives of party assembled to nominate candidates for election. 2. vb. Place (as) on ~; speak on ~. [f. F *plateforme* ground-plan, lit. flat form (as **PLATE**¹ + *forme* FORM)]

plāt'ing, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: coating of gold, silver, etc.; plate-racing. [f. **PLATE**¹ + -ING¹]

plāt'inize, v.t. Coat with platinum. [-IZE]

plāt'inoid, n. Alloy of copper, zinc, nickel, & tungsten; kind(s) of metal found associated with platinum. [-OID]

plāt'inotype, n. Process of photographic printing in platinum black. [f. foll. + -O + -TYPE]

plāt'in/um, n. White heavy ductile malleable metallic element unaffected by simple acids & fusible only at very high temperature; ~um *black*, ~um in form of powder like lamp-black; ~um *blonde* (colloq., orig. U.S.), woman with gold-grey hair; ~um *metals*, platinoids. Hence **platin'ic**, ~iFEROUS, ~OUS, aa. [f. Sp. (& earlier E) *platina* dim. of *plata* silver, see PLATE¹]

plāt'it/ūde, n. Commonplaceness; commonplace remark, esp. one solemnly delivered. Hence ~ūd'INIZE(2) v.i., ~ūd'INOUS a., ~ūd'INOUSLY² adv. [F, f. *plat* (see PLATE¹) after *latitude* etc.]

plātītūdīnār'ian, n. & a. Dealer in platitudes; (adj.) of the nature of platitude. [-ARIAN]

Platōn'ic, a. Of Plato the Greek philosopher (died c. 347 B.C.) or his doctrines; ~ love, purely spiritual love for one of opposite sex (*p~s*, ~ lovers' talk or relation); (pop.) confined to words or theory, not issuing in action, harmless; ~ year, cycle in which heavenly bodies were supposed to go through all their possible movements & return to original positions. So **Platōn'ically** adv., **Plāt'omism**, **Plāt'onist**, nn., **Plāt'onize**(2, 3) v.i. & t. [f. L f. Gk *Platōnikos* (*Platōn* Plato, see -IO)]

platoon', n. (Hist.) small infantry detachment, esp. a unit for volley-firing etc., volley fired by it; (in mod. use) subdivision of a company, a tactical unit commanded by a lieutenant & usu. divided into three sections. [f. F *peloton* small ball (as PELLETT, see -OON)]

plätt'er, n. (chiefly arch. exo. U.S.). Flat dish or plate, often of wood. [ME & OF *plater* (PLAT³)]

plāt'ŷ- in comb. = Gk *platys* broad, flat, as: ~pus, Australian duck-mole, ornithorhynchus; ~(r)rhine (-rin), (of monkeys) with nostrils far apart & directed forwards or sideways.

plaud'it, n. (usu. in pl.). Round of applause; emphatic expression of approval. [shortened f. L *plaudite* applaud (also as E noun) pl. imperat. of *plaudere* *plaus*-applaud, said by Roman actors at end of play]

plaus'ible (-z-), a. (Of arguments, statements, etc.) specious, seeming reasonable or probable; (of persons) fair-spoken (usu. implying deceit). Hence or cogn. ~IBLY² n., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L *plausibilis* (as *prec.*, see -BLE)]

play¹, v.i. & t. 1. Move about in lively or capricious manner, frisk, flit, flutter, pass gently (*around*, *about*, etc.), strike lightly (*upon* etc.), alternate rapidly, as *bees* ~ about flowers, *tresses* ~ on her neck, *smile* ~ed on his lips, *wind* ~s on water, *his fancy* ~ed round the idea. 2. (Of part of mechanism etc.) have free movement. 3. Wield freely, as ~ a good knife & fork,

eat heartily; ~ a good stick, fence well. 4. Allow (fish) to exhaust itself by pulling against line. 5. Discharge (guns etc. *on*), discharge guns (*on*), (intr., of guns) be fired (*on*). 6. Direct (light *on*, *over*, *along*, etc.), (intr., of light) pass (*over*, *along*, etc.) 7. Perform, execute, (trick, prank, joke, on person, or with double object). 8. Amuse oneself, sport, frolic; ~-boy, one living for pleasure; ~ with, amuse oneself with, trifle with, treat lightly; ~ upon words, pun. 9. (dial.). (Esp. of workmen on strike) abstain from work. 10. Employ oneself in the game of (cricket, whist, etc., or abs.). 11. ~ed out, exhausted of energy or vitality or usefulness (*our horses were*, *I felt*, *Free Trade is*, ~ed out); ~ up, put all one's energy into the game etc.; ~ DUCK'S & DRakes; ~ FAST² & loose. 12. (In cricket, lawn tennis, etc., as bowler's warning to batsman etc.) ~! 13. Pretend for fun (*that we are gypsies* etc.). 14. (crick.). (Of ground) ~ well etc., be in good etc. condition for play. 15. ~-or-pay bet (holding good whether horse runs or not). 16. Game, gamble. 17. ~ BOOTY; ~ fair, foul, ~ or (fig.) act (un)fairly; ~ (observe the rules of) the game (also fig. of keeping to code of honour); ~ into the hands of, act so as to give advantage to (opponent or partner); (sl.) ~ it on, ~ it low on, ~ (low) down on, take mean advantage of (person); ~ upon the square; ~ at, engage in (game), (fig.) engage in (fighting etc.) in trivial or half-hearted way. 18. Contend against (person) in game; employ (person) to ~ in game, include in team. 19. Move (piece in chess etc.); take (playing-card) from one's hand & lay it face upwards on table in one's turn; (fig.) ~ one's cards well, make good use of opportunities. 20. (Crick. etc.) strike (ball) in specified esp. defensive manner; (Crick.) ~ on (abs.), ~ the ball on to one's own wicket and so put oneself out. 21. ~ off, oppose (person against another) esp. for one's own advantage; cause (person) to exhibit himself disadvantageously; pass (thing) off as something else; ~ off n., additional match to decide a draw or tie. 22. Perform on (musical instrument, or abs.); perform (on instrument); ~ by ear, perform on an instrument without technical knowledge of music; perform (music on instrument). 23. ~ (congregation etc.) in, out, ~ on organ etc. as they come in, go out; ~ (upon), make use of (person's fears, credulity, etc.); ~ first, second, FIDDLE. 24. Perform (drama, or abs.) on stage; act (in drama); act (part) in drama, as ~ *Shylock*, (fig.) act in real life the part of (the DEVIL² or devil, the fool, the man, truant, etc., also ~ one's part well etc.); ~ up to, act in drama so as to support (another actor), (fig.) back up, flatter, toady. Hence ~ABLE a. [OE *plegan*,

plagian, *plagian*, cf. MDu. *plegen* dance, be glad, cogn. w. Du. *plegen*, G *pflegen*, be wont, take charge of]

play¹, n. 1. Brisk, light, or fitful movement. 2. Activity, operation, as *lively ~ of fancy*, *other forces come into ~*, *are in full ~*, *are brought or called into ~*; *make ~*, act effectively, esp. (Racing, Hunting) exercise pursuers or followers. 3. Freedom of movement, space for this, scope for activity, as *bolts should have half an inch of ~*, *allow full ~ to curiosity*. 4. Amusement, as *at ~*, engaged in playing; *said it only in ~* (not seriously); *~ of words*, trifling with words; *~ on words*, pun. 5. Playing of game; manner, style, of this; (Crick., Footh., etc.) *ball is in ~* (being used in ordinary course of ~), *is out of ~* (temporarily removed from ~ according to rules); so ~, part of ground within definite boundaries. 6. CHILD'S ~; FAIR², FOUL. ~. 7. Cessation from work (of workmen on strike etc.). 8. Dramatic piece, drama. 9. Gaming, gambling. 10. ~actor (usu. derog.); ~bill, bill, placard, announcing theatrical ~; ~day, school holiday, || week-day on which miners etc. do not work; ~debt (incurred in gaming); ~fellow, companion in (usu. children's) ~; ~game, experience that falls short of another (*is a ~game in comparison*) or of grim reality (e.g. sham fight); ~goer, frequenter of theatre; ~ground, piece of ground used for ~, esp. at school (*the ~ground of Europe*, Switzerland); ~house, theatre; ~made, ~fellow; ~thing, toy, (fig.) person etc. treated as mere toy; ~time; ~wright, dramatist. [OE *plega* as prec.]

play²er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: person engaged at the time, person skilful, in a game; performer on musical instrument; || professional ~ at cricket etc.; actor; (Pool, Croquet) ball that after present ~ has finished break etc. will play on him; ~piano (fitted with apparatus enabling it to be played automatically). [ER¹]

play³ful, a. Frolicsome, sportive; humorous, jocular. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [FUL]

play⁴ing, n. In vbl senses; ~cards, set or pack of cards used in games. [-ING⁴]

pla⁵za (-ah-), n. Market-place, open square (esp. in Spanish town). [Sp., = place]

plea, n. Pleading, argument, excuse; (Law) formal statement by or on behalf of defendant, defence, *special ~* (alleging new fact); || *Court of common P~s*; (list.) action at law. [ME & OF *plaid* f. L *placitum* decree, neut. p.p. of *placere* please]

pleach, v.t. Entwine, interlace; esp. = *PLASH*². [ME *pleche*, as *PLASH*]

plead, v.i. & t. Address court as advocate on behalf of either party, so ~EX¹ n.; maintain (cause) in court;

allege formally as plea, (fig.) allege as excuse etc., as *I can only ~ inexperience*, so ~ABLE a.; ~ (not) guilty, deny, confess, liability or guilt; ~ with, make earnest appeal to (person for person, for, against, thing, decision, etc.) whence ~ingly² adv. [f. OF *plaidier* (as *PLEA*)]

plead²ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: formal (now usu. written) statement of cause of action or defence; SPECIAL ~. [-ING¹]

plea³sance (-jēz-), n. (arch.). Pleasure, enjoyment; pleasure-ground, esp. one attached to mansion (now chiefly surviving in proper names). [f. OF *plaisance* (as foll., sec -ANCE)]

plea⁴sant (-jēz-), a. Agreeable to mind, feelings, or senses, as *a ~ breeze*, *flavour*, *discovery*, *companion*, *has a ~ manner*, *spent a ~ evening*; || (arch.) jocular, facetious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *plaisant* (as *PLEASE*, sec -ANT)]

plea⁵santr̄y (-jēz-), n. Jocularly; humorous speech, jest. [f. F *plaisanterie* (prec., -ERY)]

please (-z), v.t. & i. 1. Be agreeable to, as *meant only to ~ the eye*, *his last book will ~ you*; ~ yourself, do as you like; be ~d with, derive pleasure from; *I shall (vulg. will) be ~d (glad) to (do, esp. as polite form of consent or offer)*. 2. Think fit, as *take as many as you ~*. 3. (In formal or iron. deference) *His Majesty has been graciously ~d to confer etc.*, *your lordship was ~d to doubt my veracity*. 4. (With it as subject, expressed or omitted, representing a prec. or foll. infinitive, clause, or sentence, now chiefly as in last use) *it has never ~d him to explain*; (*may it*) ~ your honour, there was no moon that night; *the matter will be cleared up some day*, ~ God (or, joc., ~ the pigs). 5. Give pleasure, as *he was anxious to ~*. 6. (As polite form of request esp. for trifling services) *if you ~*, with your permission, as *I will take another cup, if you ~*; (with iron. implication that nothing could be more reasonable) & now, *if you ~*, he expects me to pay for it!; (imperat., orig. = may it ~ you) ring the bell, ~, may I come in, ~? coffee for two, ~, ~ (to) return it soon, ~ don't (or ~ not to) forget the key. Hence *PLEASE*¹ (-čzd), *pleas*²ing³, aa., *pleas*⁴ingly² adv., (-z-). [ME *plaise* f. OF *plaisir* (F *plaire*) f. L *placere*]

plea⁵surable (plēzh-), a. Affording pleasure. Hence ~JENESS n., ~LY² adv. [f. foll. + -ABLE]

pleasure (plēzh-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Enjoyment, delight; sensuous enjoyment as chief object of life, as *a life given up to ~*, *man of ~*, profligate; will, desire, as *shall not consult his ~*, *can be postponed during our ~*, *can be altered at ~*; (royal formula) *it is our ~ to*, *we are graciously pleased to*; (vulg.) *it is our ~ to submit* (we have ~ in submitting) *balance sheet etc.*; *to converse with him is a (source of)*

~; *do me the ~ of (gratify me by) dining with me; he takes (a) ~ in (likes) contradicting or contradiction; (arch.) are now taking their ~ (enjoying themselves) at Bath; ~-boat (used for ~, not business); ~-ground (laid out for ~). 2. vb. Give ~ to; take ~ (in thing, in doing). [(vb f. n.) ME & OF *pleisir*, *plaisir*, PLEASE used as N.]*

pleat, n., & v.t. = **PLAIT** (1st sense). [collateral form of **PLAIT**]

plēb, n. (sl.). Plebeian, person of lower classes. [abbr.]

***plēbe**, n. (colloq.). Member of lowest class at U.S. Naval or Military Academy. [shortened f. **PLEBEIAN**]

plēbeian (-bēan), n. & a. 1. Commoner in ancient Rome (cf. **PATRICIAN**); commoner. 2. adj. Of low birth, of the common people, coarse, base, ignoble. Hence ~NESS n., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. L *plebeius* (*plebs* common people) + -AN]

plēb'icite (-sīt), n. (Rom. Hist.) law enacted by commonalty in *comitia tributa*; (mod.) direct vote of all electors of State on important public question; public expression of community's opinion, with or without binding force. So **plēb'iscitary** a. [f. F *plēbiacite* f. L *plebiscitum* (*plebs plebis* commons + *scitum* decree f. *sciscere* vote for)]

plēc'trum, n. (pl. -ra). Small instrument of ivory, quill, etc., for plucking strings of zither etc. [L, f. Gk *plektron* (*plēssō* strike)]

plēdge¹, n. Thing handed over to person as security (cf. **REPLEVIN**) for fulfilment of contract, payment of debt, etc., & liable to forfeiture in case of failure; thing put in pawn; (fig.) one's child; thing given as token of favour etc. or of something to come; drinking of a health, toast; promise, as *under ~ of secrecy*; solemn engagement to abstain from intoxicants, as *take, sign, keep, the ~*; (Pol.) leader's public promise (not) to adopt some course; state of being pledged, as *goods lying in ~, taken out of ~*. [ME & OF *plege* etc., prob. f. med. L *plevire* warrant, engage, of G orig., cf. **PLIGHT**¹]

plēdge², v.t. Deposit as security, pawn; (fig.) plight (one's honour, word, etc.); drink to the health of. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. prec.]

plēdgee', n. One with whom pledge is deposited, pawnee. So **plēdger**¹ n. [-EE]

plēdg'ēt, n. Small wad of lint etc. [f.]

Plēi'ad (plī-), n. (pl. ~s pr. -dz, ~s pr. -dēz). (Pl.) cluster of small stars in Taurus, usu. spoken of as 7; (fig., sing.) brilliant group of (usu. 7) persons or things. [f. L *Pleias* f. Gk *Pleias* -adoes]

plēis'tocene (-līs-), a. & n. (geol.). (Of) the division immediately overlying the *pliocene* formation. [f. Gk *pleistos* most + *kainos* new]

plēn'ar'ī, a. Entire, absolute, unequal-

fied; (of assembly) fully attended; ~y **INSPIRATION**. Hence ~ily² adv. [f. LL *plenarius* (*plenus* full, see -ARY¹)]

plēnipotēn'tiary (-sha-), a. & n. (Person) invested with full power, esp. as ambassador deputed to act at discretion; (of power) absolute. [f. med. L *plenipotentarius* f. LL *plenipotens* (*plenus* full + *potens* POTENT), see -ARY¹]

plēn'itūde, n. Fullness, completeness; abundance. [OF, f. L *plenitudo* (*plenus* full, see -TUD-)]

plēn'teous, a. (chiefly poet.). Plentiful. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [ME & OF *plenitvius* (PLENTY, -IVE, -EUS)]

plēn'tiful, a. Abundant, copious. Hence ~ly² adv., ~NESS n. [f. foll. + -FUL]

plēn'ty, n. & adv. 1. Abundance, as much as one could desire, (of thing, or abs.), as ~ of cake, here is cake in ~, we are in ~ of time; horn of ~, cornucopia. 2. adv. (colloq.). Quite, as it is ~ large enough. [f. OF *plenet* f. L *plenitatem* (*plenus* full, see -TY)]

plēn'um, n. Space filled with matter (~system, of ventilation by forcing air in); full assembly. [L, neut. of *plenus* full]

plē'on'āsm, n. (gram.). Redundancy of expression, e.g. *hear with one's ears, a false lie*. So ~as'tic a., ~as'tically adv. [f. L f. Gk *pleonasmus* (*pleonazō* add superfluously f. *pleon* more)]

plēsiosaur'us, n. (pl. -ri, -ruses). Extinct marine reptile with long neck, short tail, & four large paddles. [f. Gk *plēsiōs* near + *sauros* lizard]

plēth'ora (or *plēthō'ra*), n. Morbid condition marked by excess of red corpuscles in the blood; (fig.) unhealthy repletion. Hence or cogn. **plēthō'ric** a., **plēthō'rically** adv. [med. L, f. Gk *plēthōrē* (*plēthō* become full)]

pleur'ia (ploor'a), n. Either of the two serous membranes lining the thorax & enveloping the lungs in mammals; part of the body-wall in invertebrates. Hence ~AL a. [Gk, =side of body, rib]

pleur'is'y (ploor-), n. Inflammation of the pleura, usu. caused by chill, & marked by pain in chest or side, fever, etc. So ~it'ic (ploor-) a. [f. OF *pleurisie* f. LL *pleuritis* altered f. Gk *pleuritis* (as prec., see -ITIS), also used in E]

pleuro- (ploor-) in comb. (before vowel *pleur-*) = Gk *pleura*, side, pleura, rib, as: ~dyn'ia, pain in side caused by rheumatism in muscles of chest; ~pneumōn'ia, pneumonia complicated with pleurisy, esp. as contagious disease of horned cattle.

plēxim'eter, n. (med.). Thin plate of ivory etc. placed on part of the body & struck with plexor in medical percussion. [f. Gk *plexis* stroke (*plēssō* strike) + -METER]

plēx'or, n. (med.). Small hammer used with pleximeter. [irreg. as prec. + -OR¹]

plēx'us, n. (Anat.) network of fibres or vessels in animal body, as *gastric*, *pulmonary*, *solar*, ~; network, complication. Hence **plēx'iform** a. [L, gen. -ūs, f. *plexere* *plex-* plait]

pli'able, a. = foll. Hence **pliable** / **pliable** n., **pli'ably** adv. [F (*plier* bend f. L *plicare*)]

pli'ant, a. Bending, supple; (fig.) yielding, compliant. Hence **pli'ancy** n., ~**ly** adv. [F (as prec., see -ANT)]

plīc'a, n. (pl. -ae). Fold, as of skin or membrane; ~ (*polón'ica* Polish), matted filthy condition of hair due to disease. [med. L, as foll.]

plīc'ate, a. (bot., zool., geol.). Folded. So **plīcāt'ed** a. [f. L *plicare* fold, -ATE³]

plīc'ation, n. Folding; fold; folded condition. [OF (as prec., see -ATION)]

pli'ers (-z), n. pl. Pincers having long jaws with parallel surfaces, for bending wire etc. [f. (dial.) *ply* bend (see *PLIABLE*) + -ER¹]

plight¹ (plīt), v.t., & n. 1. Pledge (one's troth, faith, promise, esp. in p.p.); engage oneself (to person, esp. in p.p., as ~ed lovers). 2. n. Engagement. [OE (*plihtan* vb f.) *pliht* danger, cf. Du. *pligt*, G *pflcht*, responsibility, duty, f. WG *plegan* take risk of]

plight² (plīt), n. Condition, state, esp. a sorry, evil, hopeless, etc. ~. [ME *plī*, doublet of *PLAIT*]

|| **plīm**, v.t. & i. (dial.; -mm-). Swoll, fill out, make or grow plump. [also *plum*, perh. cogn. w. *PLUMP*]

Plīm'soil, a. & n. ~ *line*, ~'s *MARK*¹; || (n. pl.; p~s) cheap rubber-soled canvas shoes. [S. ~, agitator for Merchant Shipping Act of 1876]

plīnth, n. Lower square member of base of column; projecting part of wall immediately above ground. [f. L (= *plinth*) f. Gk *plinthos* tile, brick]

plīn'thite, n. Kind of brick-red clay. [as prec. + -ITE¹]

plī'ocēne, a. & n. (geol.). (Of) the newest division of Tertiary formation. [f. Gk *pleiōn* more + *kainos* new]

plōd, v.i. & t. (-dd-), & n. 1. Walk laboriously, trudge, (*on*, *along*, etc.); drudge, slave, (*at* etc.); make (one's way) laboriously. 2. n. Laborious walk or work. Hence ~**d'ER**¹ n., ~**d'inglY**² adv. [prob. imit.]

plom'bé (-awmbá), a. Officially lead-sealed. [F]

plōp, n., adv., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Sound as of smooth object dropping into water without splash; act of falling with this. 2. adv. With a ~. 3. vb. (Cause to) fall thus. [Imit.]

plōt¹, n. Piece (usu. small) of ground; plan of play, poem, novel, etc., whence ~**LESS** a.; conspiracy; sly plan. [1]

plōt², v.t. (-tt-). Make plan or map of (existing object, place or thing to be laid out, constructed, etc.); plan, contrive,

(evil object, or abs.). Hence ~**t'ER**¹ n. [f. prec.]

plough¹ (plow), n. 1. Implement for cutting furrows in soil & turning it up, consisting of cutting blade (~*'share*) fixed in frame drawn by horses etc. & guided by man (~*'man*); put one's hand to the ~, undertake task (*Luke* ix. 62); ploughed land; kinds of instrument resembling ~, as *ice*~ (for cutting up blocks of ice), *snow*~ (for clearing away snow); the *P*~, *CHARLES'S WAIN*; || [f. foll.] rejection of candidate in examination. 2. ~*beam*, central beam of ~; ~*boy*, boy who leads ~horses etc.; ~*land* (hist.), as much land as could be ploughed by one team of 8 oxen in the year, unit of assessment in N. & E. counties of England (cf. *HIDE*²); *P*~ *Monday* (first after Epiphany), ~*shoe*, appliance for protecting or supporting ~share; ~*stuff* (ending in small spade, used to clear coulter etc. from earth etc.); ~*tail*, rear of ~, (fig.) farm-labour, as at the ~tail. [late OE *plōh*, cf. Du. *ploeg*, G *pflug*]

plough² (plow), v.t. & i. Turn up (earth, or abs.) with plough, esp. before sowing (~ *the sand* or *sands*, labour uselessly); ~ *back*, ~ (*grass*, *clover*, etc.) into soil to enrich it, (fig.) reinvest (profits) in business etc.; root out, cast up, thrust down, (roots, weeds) with plough; furrow, scratch, (surface) as with plough; produce (furrow, line) thus; produce wrinkles in (brow etc.); advance laboriously (*through snow* etc., *through book* etc.); (of ship etc.) cleave (surface of water, its way, etc.); || (sl.) reject (candidate) in examination. [f. prec.]

plō'ver (plū-), n. Kinds of gregarious gull-latorial bird, esp. *Golden*, *Grey*, *P*~, & (pop.) lapwing (whose eggs are sold as ~'s); ~*page*, ~'s *page*, dunlin & other birds said to follow golden ~. [f. OF *plovier* f. LL ⁺*plovarius* (*pluvia* rain, reference unexpl., see -ARY¹)]

|| **ploy**, n. (north.). Expedition, undertaking, occupation, job. [perh. f. *employ*]

plūck¹, n. Plucking, twitch; || rejection, failure, in examination; heart, liver, & lungs, of beast as food; courage, spirit, whence (-)~**ED**² (-kt), ~**LESS**, ~**'Y**², aa., ~**'ily**² adv., ~**'iness** n.; (Photog.) sl. n. boldness of effect. [f. foll.]

plūck², v.t. & i. Pull off, pick, (flower, feather, hair); (arch.) pull, drag, snatch, (*away*, *off*, etc.); pull at, twitch; tug, snatch, at; strip (bird) of feathers; crow to ~; plunder, swindle, as ~ a *PIGEON*; || reject (candidate) in examination; ~ *up* one's heart, spirit, courage, take courage. [com.-WG; OE *ploccian*, *pluc-*, MDu. & MG *plucken*]

plūg¹, n. Piece of wood etc. fitting tightly into hole, used to fill gap or act as wedge (in various techn. uses); natural or morbid concretion acting thus; kinds of

stopper for vessel or pipe; (pop.) release-mechanism of water-closet flushing apparatus; FIRE¹~; tobacco pressed into cake or stick, piece of this cut off for chewing; *~*ugly* (sl.), street rowdy. [prob. f. MDu. *pluggē*, etym. dub.]

plüg², v.t. & i. (-gg-). Stop (hole etc., often up) with plug; (sl.) shoot; (sl.) strike with fist (colloq.) plod (*away* at work etc.); (colloq.) endeavour to popularize (a song, theory, policy, etc.) by dinning it into the public ear. [f. prec.]

plüm, n. 1. Roundish fleshy fruit with sweet pulp & flattish pointed stone; (also ~ *tree*) tree bearing this; dried grape or raisin as used for cakes etc.; SUGAR~; || *French* ~, fine kind of prune: (fig.) good thing, best of a collection, prize in life etc.; || (sl.) £100,000. 2. ~ *cake* (containing raisins, currants, etc.); ~ *duff*, plain flour pudding with raisins or currants; ~ *pudding*, boiled pudding of flour, bread-crumbs, suet, raisins, currants, eggs, spices, etc., eaten at Christmas, (also) ordinary suet-pudding with raisins; ~ *pudding* (Dalmatian or Spotted Coach dog); ~ *pudding stone* (Geol.), conglomerate of flint or other pebbles. (OE *plūme*, of. G *plume*, Du. *pruim*, f. LL *pruna* (L *prunum*) f. late Gk *prounon* (Gk *prounon*))

plu'magie (-ōō-), n. A bird's feathers. Hence (-)~ED² (-ijd) a. [OF (PLUME, -AGE)]

plumassier (plūmasiēr'), n. One who trades or works in ornamental feathers. [F (*plumasse* augment. of PLUME, see -IER)]

plümb¹ (-m), n., a., & adv. 1. Ball of lead, esp. that attached to mason's ~line (string for testing perpendicularity of wall etc., also fig.); *out of* ~, not vertical; sounding-lead, plummet; ~ *rule*, mason's ~line attached to board. 2. adj. Vertical; (fig.) downright, sheer, as ~ *nonsense*; (Crick., of wicket) level, true. 3. adv. Vertically; (fig.) exactly, as *points ~ in the same direction*; * (sl.) quite, utterly, (~ *crazy*, clean mad). [adj. & adv. f. n.] f. F *plomb* f. L *plumbum* lead]

plümb² (-m), v.t. & i. Sound (sea), measure (depth, lit. & fig.), with plummet, whence ~LESS (-ml-) a.; make vertical; (intr.) work as plumber. [f. prec.]

plümbäg'ō, n. Black lead, graphite, a form of carbon used for pencils etc. & mixed with clay for making crucibles; leadwort, plant with ~coloured flowers. Hence **plümbä'ginous** a. [L, gen. -*ginis*, f. *plumbum* lead]

plüm'béous, a. Of, like, lead; lead-glazed. [f. L *plumbeus* (as prec.) + -ous]

plümb'er (-mer), n. Artisan who fits & repairs pipes, cisterns, etc., with lead, zinc, or tin. So ~ERY (2, 3) (-mer-) n. [f. OF *plumbarier* f. L *plumbarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

plüm'bific, a. (Chem.) combined with lead, so ~iferous a.; (Path.) due to

presence of lead, so ~ISM (5) n. [f. L *plumbum* lead + -ic]

plume¹ (-ōō-), n. Feather, esp. large one used for ornament; (fig.) *borrowed* ~s (referring to fable of Jackdaw in peacock's ~s); ornamental feather or bunch of feathers or horsehair, esp. as attached to helmet or hat, or worn in hair, as *court* ~ (of ostrich feathers); (Zool.) feather-like part or formation. Hence ~LESS, ~LIKE, aa., ~LET n., (-ōōml-). [OF, f. L *pluma* down]

plume² (-ōō-), v.t. Furnish with plume(s); dress oneself with borrowed plumes; pride oneself (on esp. something trivial or to which one has no claim); (of bird) trim, dress, (feathers). [f. prec.]

plümm'er-blöck, n. (mech.). Metal case for supporting revolving shaft, with movable cover giving access to bearings. [f.]

plümm'et, n. (Weight attached to) plumb-line; sounding-lead; (fig.) oppressive or obstructive weight; weight attached to fishing-line to keep float upright. [ME & OF *plommet* dim. as PLUMB¹]

plümm'y, a. Of, abounding in, plums; (colloq.) rich, good, desirable. [-Y²]

plumöse' (-ōō-), a. Feathered; feather-like. [f. L *plumosus* (as PLUMB¹, see -OSE²)]

plümp¹, a., & v.t. & i. 1. (Esp. of person or parts of body) full, rounded, fleshy, filled out. 2. vb. Make ~, fatten up; become ~, swell out or up. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., ~Y² a. [cf. Du. *plomp* blunt]

plümp², v.i. & t., n., adv., & a. 1. Drop or plunge (t. & i.) with abrupt descent (*down upon* etc.); || *vote for* (one candidate alone, when one might vote for two). 2. n. Abrupt plunge, heavy fall. 3. adv. With sudden or heavy fall, as *came ~ into the river*; flatly, bluntly, as *I told him ~, I lied ~*. 4. adj. Direct, unqualified, as *answer with a ~ No*. [com.-LG: Du. *plompen*, G *plumpen*, prob. imit.]

|| **plümp³**, n. (arch.). Company, troop, esp. ~ of spears (spearmen); cluster. [f.]

plüm'per¹, n. Ball, disk, carried in mouth to fill out hollow cheeks. [PLUMP¹ + -ER¹]

plüm'per², n. In vbl senses, esp.: || (vote of) one who plumps for candidate; downright lie. [PLUMP² + -ER¹]

plü'mül'e (plōō-), n. Rudimentary stem of embryo plant, whence ~AR² a.; little feather of down, whence ~ACEOUS (-āshus) a. [f. L *plumula*, dim. as PLUME¹]

plü'mý (-ōō-), a. Plume-like; feathery; adorned with plumes. [-Y²]

plün'dér, v.t., & n. 1. Rob (place, person) forcibly of goods, esp. as in war; rob systematically; steal, embezzle, (goods, or aba.). 2. n. Violent or dishonest acquisition of property; property so acquired; (sl.) profit, gain. Hence ~ER¹

n. [(n. f. vb) f. G *plündern* (plunder, bl., bed-clothes etc.)]

plün'derage, n. Plundering, esp. embezzling of goods on shipboard; spoil thus obtained. [-AGE]

plünge (-j), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Thrust violently (into liquid, cavity, etc.); (fig.) thrust (person etc. into, in, condition, action, etc.); sink (pot containing plant) in ground; throw oneself, dive, (into water, difficulty, discussion, etc.); enter impetuously (into room, up, down, stairs, etc.); (of horse) throw itself violently forward; (of ship) pitch; (sl.) gamble deeply, run into debt; *plunging fire* (from guns at higher level). 2. n. Plunging, dive, (~-bath, large enough to dive into); (fig.) critical step, as *take the ~*. [f. OF *plunjer* f. LL **plumbicare* heave the lead (*plumbum*)]

plün'ger (-j-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: parts of mechanism that work with plunging motion; (sl.) cavalryman; (sl.) gambler, speculator. [-ER¹]

plünk, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Throw or fall heavily or suddenly; *hit unexpectedly. 2. n. Sound made by plucking strings of musical instrument (v.i., make such sound). 3. *(colloq.). Heavy blow; dollar. [imit.]

plu'pérfect (-ō-), a. & n. (Tense) expressing action completed prior to some past point of time specified or implied (expr. in E by *had* with p.p. as *he had called*). [f. L *plus quam perfectum* more than perfect]

plur'al (-oor-), a. & n. (Form of noun, verb, etc.) denoting more than one (or, in languages with dual, more than two); more than one in number; ~ *vote*, *voter*, *voting* (of one person in more than one constituency). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *pluralis* (*plus plusis* more, see -AL)]

plur'alism (-oor-), n. Holding of more than one office, esp. benefice, at a time; (Philos.) system that recognizes more than one ultimate principle (cf. MONISM). So ~IST n., ~is'tic a. [-ISM]

plur'al'ity (-oor-), n. State of being plural; large number, multitude; holding of two or more benefices or offices; benefice, office, held with another; majority (of votes etc.). [f. OF *pluralite* f. LL *pluralitas* (as FURAL, see -TY)]

plur'alize (-oor-), v.t. & i. Make plural, express in the plural; hold more than one benefice. [f. F *pluraliser* (as PLURAL, see -ISE)]

pluri- (-oor-) in comb. = L *plus plusis* more, as: ~*literal* (Heb. Gram.), having more than 3 letters in the root; ~*presence*, presence in more than one place at same time; ~*serial*, ~*serial*, consisting of several series.

plūs, prep., a., & n. 1. (As oral rendering of symbol +) with the addition of, as 3 ~ 4 (cf. MINUS); ~ 1 etc., golfer's handi-

cap; ~*fours*, long wide knickerbockers (so named because, to produce the overhang, the length is normally increased by four inches). 2. adj. Additional, extra; (Math.) positive; (Electr.) positive, positively electrified. 3. n. The symbol (+); additional quantity, positive quantity. [L = more]

plūsh, n. Kind of cloth of silk, cotton, etc., with nap longer & softer than that of velvet; (pl.) footman's ~ breeches. Hence ~Y² a. [f. F *pluche* shortened f. *peluche* f. LL **piluceus* (cf. OSp. *peluca*) f. *pilus* hair]

plu'tarchy (plō-, -ki), n. Plutocracy. [f. (Gk *ploutos* wealth + -arkhia -rule)]

Plu'tō (-ō-), n. A more remote planet than Neptune (discovered 1890). [f. Gk *Ploutōn* ~, god of infernal regions]

plutōc'racý (-ō-), n. Rule of the wealthy; ruling class of wealthy persons. So **plu'tocrat** n. **plutocrát'ic** a., (-ō-). [f. Gk *ploutokratia* (as foll., see -CRACY)]

plutō'atry (-ō-), n. Worship of wealth. [f. Gk *ploutos* wealth, see -LATRY]

Plutō'n'ic (-ō-), a. & n. Of Pluto, infernal; (Geol.) igneous, as ~ *rocks*, ~ *theory* (attributing most geological phenomena to action of internal heat, whence **Plu'tonism**(3), **Plu'tonist**(2), nn.); (n.) ~ *rock*. So **Plutō'n'ian** (-ō-) a. [as PLUTO, -IC]

plutō'n'ium (-ō-), n. Element arising from NEPTUNIUM. [f. PLUTO + -IUM]

plutō'om'ý (-ō-), n. Political economy. Hence **plutonōm'ic** a., ~*ist* n., (-ō-). [f. Gk *ploutos* wealth + *-nomia* arrangement]

plu'vial (-ō-), a. & n. Of rain, rainy, so ~*ous* a.; (Geol.) caused by rain; (n., Eccl. Hist.) long cloak as ceremonial vestment. [(adj.) f. L *pluvialis* (*pluvia* rain, see -AL); (n.) f. med. L *pluviale* rain-cloak]

pluvi'om'eter (-ō-), n. Rain-gauge. Hence ~*omēt'ric*(AL) aa. [f. L *pluvia* rain + -o- + -METER]

ply¹, n. Fold, thickness, layer, of cloth etc.; strand of rope etc.; two, 2, 3, ~, having 2 etc. thicknesses or strands; (fig.) turn, tendency, esp. *take a ~*; ~*wood*, strong thin board made by gluing layers with the grains crosswise. [f. F *pli* fold f. OF *plōi* f. *ployer* (F *plier*) f. L *plicare* fold]

ply², v.t. & i. Use, wield vigorously, (tool, weapon); work at (one's business, task); supply (person etc.) persistently with (food etc.); assail vigorously (person with questions, arguments); (Naut.) work to windward; (of vessel or its master, coach, etc.) go to & fro between (places); [(of boatman, porter, cabman) attend regularly for custom (at place)]. [aphetic form of APPLY]

Plym'outh (-muth), n. ~ *Brethren*, religious body that arose at ~ c. 1830, with no formal creed & no official order of ministers, whence ~*ism*(3), ~*ist*(2), ~*ite*¹, (-muth-), nn.; ~ *Rock*, large breed

of domestic fowl of Amer. origin. [port in England]

pneumát'ic (n-), a. & n. 1. Of, acting by means of, wind or air; ~ *tire* (inflated with air); ~ *dispatch*, conveyance of parcels etc. along tubes by compression or exhaustion of air; ~ *trough* (for collecting gases in jars over surface of water or mercury); containing, connected with, air-cavities esp. in bones of birds; spiritual. 2. n. ~ *tire*, cycle with such tires; (pl.) science of mechanical properties of air or other elastic fluids or gases. Hence **pneumát'ically** adv., **pneumati'city** n., (n-). [f. L f. Gk *pneumatikos* (*pneuma* wind f. *pneō* breathe. see -IC)]

pneum'at|o- (n-) in comb. = Gk *pneuma* -*matos* air, breath, spirit, as: ~*ocyst*, air-sac in body of bird etc.; ~*ol'ogy*, theory of spiritual beings, doctrine of the Holy Spirit, psychology, so ~*olo'gical* a.; ~*om'eter*, instrument for measuring amount of air breathed at each inspiration; ~*ophore*, part of some compound hydrozoa containing air-cavity.

pneumogás'tric (n-), a. Of lungs & stomach, esp. ~ *nerves*, tenth pair of cerebral nerves. [Irreg. f. Gk *pneumón* -*monos* lung + *GASTRIC*]

pneumón'ia (n-), n. Inflammation of the substance of one (*single* ~) or both (*double* ~) lungs. So **pneumón'ic** a., **pneumonit'is** n., (n-). [f. Gk *pneumonia* (*pneumón* -*monos* lung f. *pneō* breathe)]

pō, n. (pl. *pos*). See **POT**¹.

poach¹, v.t. Cook (egg) by dropping it without shell into boiling water. Hence ~**ER**¹(2) n. [f. OF *pochier* (*poche* **POKE**¹)]

poach², v.t. & i. Thrust (stick, finger, etc. *into* etc.); trample, cut up (turf etc.) with hoofs; (of land) become sodden by being trampled; encroach, trespass, (on person's *preserves* often fig., lands, etc.), whence ~**ER**¹ n.; trespass on (land etc.), capture (game, fish) by illicit or unsportsmanlike methods; obtain (advantage, start, in race) by unfair means; (Lawn Tennis) strike (ball, or abs.) in partner's court. [prob. = **POKE** v.]

pōch'ard (*also* -k-), n. European diving-bird with bright reddish-brown head & neck. [?]

pock, n. Eruptive spot esp. in smallpox. [OE *poc*, cf. Du. *pok*, G *pocke*; see also **POX**]

pōck'et, n. 1. Bag, sack, esp. as measure of hops (108 lb.) or wool (=half sack); small bag inserted in garment for carrying purse etc., as *coat*, *waistcoat*, *trouser*, *watch*, *ticket*, ~; (fig.) pecuniary resources, as *he will suffer in his* ~; *empty* ~, person without money; *be prepared to put your hand in your* ~ (spend some money); *put one's pride in one's* ~, submit to doing something that mortifies it; *out-of-~ expenses*, actual outlay incurred; *am* *5s. in* ~, have 5s. available; *am* *5s. in* ~, out

of ~, by the transaction (have gained, lost); *has him in her* ~ (completely under control); pouch at each corner & on each side of billiard-table into which balls are driven; cavity in earth filled with gold or other ore, whence ~**Y**² a.; cavity in rock esp. (Geol.) filled with foreign matter; (Mil.) isolated area occupied by enemy, forces occupying this, (*mopping up enemy* ~s or ~s of resistance); = **AIR**¹ ~; (attrib.) of suitable size or shape for carrying in ~. 2. ~ *battleship*, a ship armoured & equipped like, but smaller than, a battleship; ~-*book*, notebook, book-like case for papers etc. carried in ~; || ~ *borough* (under control of one person or family); ~ (small personal) *expenses*; ~ *handkerchief* (carried in ~); ~-*money* (for occasional expenses, esp. that allowed to children); ~-*piece*, lucky coin carried in ~ as charm; ~-*pistol*, (joc.) ~ spirit-flask. Hence ~**FUL** n., ~**LESS** a. [ME *poket* f. Anglo-Norman *pokete* dim. f. F *poche* **POKE**¹]

pōck'et², v.t. Put into one's pocket; confine as in pocket; hem in (competitor) in race; appropriate, usu. dishonestly; submit to (affront, injury); conceal, suppress, (feelings); (Billiards) drive (ball) into pocket. Hence ~**ABLE** a. [f. prec.]

pock-pudding. See **POKE**¹.

pōcōcuran'tle (-kooorahntā, -kū'rāntī), a. & n. Indifferent (person). Hence ~(**ē**)**ISM** n. [It., = *carling* little]

pōd¹, n. Socket of brace & bit. [?]

pōd², n., & v.i. & t. (-dd-). 1. Long seed-vessel esp. of leguminous plants; cocoon of silkworm; case of locust's eggs; narrow-necked eel-net. 2. vb. Bear ~; shell (peas etc.). [?]

pōd³, n., & v.t. (-dd-). Small herd of seals or whales; (v.t.) drive (seal) into a ~. [?]

pōd'agra (or *podag*²), n. (med.). Gout, esp. in feet. Hence or cogn. **pōd'agral**, **pōdāg'ric**, **pōd'agrous**, aa. [L. f. Gk *podagra* (*pous* *podos* foot + *agra* catching)]. **pōdd'ed**, a. Bearing pods; growing in pod; (fig.) well-off, snug. [-**ED**²]

pōdēstā (-tah'), n. Magistrate in Italian municipalities; (Hist.) chief magistrate in medieval Italian towns. [It., f. L *potestatem* power (*potis* able, see -**TY**)]

pōdge, n. (colloq.). Short fat person. Hence **pōdg'y**² a. [var. of **PUDGE**]

pōd'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Continuous projecting base or pedestal; raised platform round arena of amphitheatre; continuous bench round room. [L. f. Gk *podion* (*pous* *podos* foot)]

pōdophyll'in, n. (chem.). Yellow bitter resin of cathartic properties got from root of wild mandrake. [f. bot. L *podophyllum*, may-apple, wild mandrake, (Gk *pous* *podos* foot + *phyllon* leaf) + -**IN**]

pō'e-bird, n. = **PARSON**-bird. [f. Otahetan wd for 'ear-rings', from tufts under throat]

pō'ēm, n. A metrical composition, esp. of elevated character; elevated composition in prose or verse, as *prose* ~; (fig.) something (other than a composition of words) akin or compared to a ~, as *their lives are a ~*. [f. F *poème* f. L f. Gk *poiēma*=*poiēma* (*poiēō* make)]

pō'ēsŷ, n. (arch.). Art, composition, of poetry; poems collectively. [f. OF *poesie* f. L f. Gk *poēsis*=*poiēsis* making, poetry, (as prec.)]

pō'ēt, n. Writer of poems; writer in verse, esp. one possessing high powers of imagination, expression, etc.; *Poets' Corner*, part of Westminster Abbey containing graves & monuments of several ~s, (loc.) part of newspaper devoted to poetry. Hence ~ESS¹ n. [f. OF *poete* f. L (-ta) f. Gk *poētēs*=*poiētēs* maker, poet, (as prec.)]

pōētās'ter, n. Paltry poet. So **pōēt'icūle** n. [-ASTER]

pōēt'ic(al), aa. Of, proper to, poets or poetry; (usu. ~ic) having the good qualities of poetry; (usu. ~ical) written in verse, as ~ical works; ~ic JUSTICE, LICENCE¹. Hence ~ICALLY adv., ~ICS n. [f. F *poétique* f. L f. Gk *poiētēikos* (as POET, see -IC & -AL)]

pōēt'icize, v.t. Make (theme) poetic. [-IZE]

pō'ëtize, v.i. & t. Play the poet, compose poetry; treat poetically; celebrate in poetry. [f. F *poëtiser* (as POET, see -IZE)]

pō'ëtry, n. Art, work, of the poet; elevated expression of elevated thought or feeling in metrical form; poems; quality (in any thing) that calls for poetical expression; *prose* ~, prose having all the qualities of poetry except metre. [f. OF *poetrie* f. LL *poetria* (as POET)]

pōg'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Toy like stilt with spring, used to jump on. [F]

pogrōm, n. Organized massacre orig. or esp. of Jews in Russia. [Russ.]

poign'ant (poin-), a. Sharp, pungent, in taste or smell; painfully sharp, as ~ hunger, regret, sarcasm; pleasantly piquant. Hence **poign'ancy** n., ~LY² adv., (poin-). [OF, part. of *poindre* prick f. L *pungere*]

poilu (see Ap.), n. (sl.). French soldier (nickname, cf. TOMMY). [F, lit. hairy, unshaven]

poinsett'ia, n. Plant with large scarlet floral leaves & small yellowish flowers. [f. J. R. Poinsett, discoverer]

point¹, n. 1. Small dot on a surface. 2. Stop or punctuation-mark (chiefly now in full ~, full stop); dot, small stroke, used in Semitic languages to indicate vowels or distinguish consonants; dot separating integral from fractional parts in decimals, as *four ~ six* (4.6). 3. Single item, detail, particular, as *we differ on these ~s*, *it is a ~ of conscience*, STRETCH a ~. 4. ~ of war (arch.), short phrase

sounded on instrument as signal; *possession* ¹ of nine ~s of the law (nine-tenths, almost the whole); *give ~s* (odds) to (opponent in game), (fig.) be superior to. 5. Unit in appraising qualities of exhibit in show; unit of value in rationing (on ~s, rationed on a basis of such units); unit (of varying value) in quoting price of stocks etc. 6. (print.). Unit of measurement for type bodies (British & U.S.A. 0.0138 in.). 7. (geom.). That which has position but not magnitude, e.g. ~ of intersection of two lines. 8. Precise place or spot, as ~ of contact; (Hunt.) spot to which straight run is made, such run, ~-to-~ race (over course defined only by certain landmarks); (Hor.) any of nine particular spots on shield used for determining position. 9. Stage, degree, in progress or increase, esp. of temperature, as *boiling, freezing*, ~ (at which thing boils etc.). 10. Precise moment for action etc., as *when it came to the ~, he declined*; exact moment (of death etc.). 11. Distinctive trait, characteristic, as *singing is not his strong ~*; the essential thing, the thing under discussion, as *that is just the ~, come to the ~*; to the ~, relevant(ly) to the purpose; *make a ~ of, regard, treat, as essential; carry one's ~, secure one's object; make a ~, establish proposition, prove contention*. 12. (Also ~ lace) thread lace made wholly with needle; (improp.) pillow lace imitating this. 13. Sharp end of tool, weapon, pin, pen, etc. (*not to put too fine a ~ upon it*, to speak bluntly). 14. Tip (*the ~ of the jaw or the ~*, in boxing, tip of chin as spot for knock-out blow); promontory, esp. in names, as *Start P-~*; (Mil.) small leading party of advanced guard; (pl.) extremities of horse, as *bay with black ~s*. 15. Sharp-pointed tool, e.g. etching-needle; tine of deer's horn. 16. || (On railway) tapering movable rail by which train is directed from one line to another; tapered division on backgammon board. 17. (hist.). Tagged lace for lacing bodice, attaching hose to doublet, etc. 18. (naut.). Short piece of cord at lower edge of sail for tying up a reef. 19. ~s of the compass, 32 equidistant ~s on compass (N, N by E, NNE, NE by N, NE, NE by E, ENE, E by N, E, E by S, ESE, SE by E, SE, SE by S, SSE, S by E, S, S by W, SSW, SW by S, SW, SW by W, WSW, W by S, W, W by N, WNW, NW by W, NW, NW by N, NNW, N by W), at angular intervals of 11° 15'. 20. Salient feature of story, joke, etc., as *don't see the ~*; pungency, effectiveness, as *his remarks lack ~*. 21. (crick.). (Position of) fieldman placed more or less in line with popping-crease a short distance on off-side of batsman. 22. (Of dog) act of pointing, esp. *make, come to, a ~*; *potatoes & ~*, potatoes to eat & bacon etc. to look at. 23. *At all ~s*, in every part; *at the ~* (on the verge) of

death etc.; in ~, apposite, as *the case you take is not in ~*; in ~ (as a matter) of *fact*; (upon the ~ of, on the very verge of (action, doing); ~ of (thing that vitally affects one's) *honour*, esp. the ~ of *honour* (obligation to demand satisfaction, esp. by duel); ~ of *view*, position from which thing is viewed, (fig.) way of looking at a matter; || ~*duty* (of constable stationed at particular ~ to regulate traffic etc.); || ~*man*, man in charge of railway ~s, constable on ~-duty. ((partly thr. F *point*, *pointe*, & f. foll.) f. L *punctum*, neut. p.p. of *pungere* prick)

point², v.t. & i. 1. Sharpen (pencil etc.). 2. Punctuate (now rare); mark (Psalms etc.) with signs for chanting. 3. Give point to (words, actions), as ~ing his remarks with apt illustrations, to ~ a moral. 4. Fill in joints of (brickwork etc.) with mortar or cement smoothed with trowel. 5. Prick in (manure), turn over (soil), with point of spade. 6. Direct attention (to, at, lit. & fig.); ~ out, indicate, show, (thing, fact, that etc.); (of hound) indicate presence of (game, or abs.) by standing looking rigidly towards it; direct (finger, weapon, etc., at); direct attention of (person to); aim at, tend towards. [f. OF *pointer*, as prec.]

point-blank¹, a. & adv. 1. (Of shot) fired horizontally, level; ~ *distance* (within which gun may be fired horizontally). 2. adv. With direct aim, horizontally, in direct line; (fig.) directly, flatly, as *told him ~ it would not do*; offhand, as *refused it ~*. [prob. f. prec. + BLANK, i.e. white spot in centre of target]

point d'appui (pwāñ dāpwé'), n. (mil.). Point of support, base, rallying-place. [F]

point-dévice¹, a. & adv. (arch.). Perfectly correct, extremely neat or precise; (adv.) in ~ manner. [ME *at point devis* prob. f. OF *à point devis* to the point arranged, or arranged to the proper point (see POINT¹ & DEVICE)]

point'ed, a. Having, sharpened to, a point; (of remark etc.) having point, penetrating, cutting; emphasized, made evident. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ED^{1,2}]

point'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: index hand of clock, balance, etc.; rod used for pointing to words etc. on blackboard, map, etc.; (colloq.) hint; dog that on scenting game stands rigidly, with muzzle stretched towards it & usu. one foot raised; (pl.) two stars in Great Bear, straight line through which points nearly to pole-star. [-ER¹]

point'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: punctuation; filling up joints of brickwork etc. with cement, facing thus given to the joints; (Psalms etc.) system of signs for Anglican chanting. [-ING¹]

point'less, a. Without a point, blunt; without point, meaningless; not having

scored a point. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

poise (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Balance; hold suspended or supported; carry (one's head etc. in specified way); be balanced; hover in air etc. 2. n. Equilibrium (lit. & fig.), carriage (of head etc.); state of indecision, suspense. [(vb) f. OF *pēser* (st. *pois*-) f. LL *pēsare* f. L *pensare* weigh frequent. of *pēndere pens*- weigh; (n.) f. OF *pois* f. pop. L *pesum* f. L *pensum* weight]

pois'on (-zn), n., & v.t. 1. Substance that when introduced into or absorbed by a living organism destroys life or injures health, esp. (pop.) one that destroys life by rapid action & when taken in small quantity; *slow ~* (of which repeated doses are injurious); *hate each other like ~* (bitterly); *what's your ~?* (colloq.), what will you have to drink?; (fig.) baneful principle, doctrine, etc.; ~ GAS; ~ *pen*, anonymous writer of libellous or scurrilous letter(s) to a private individual; ~ *tree*, -*wood*, kinds of tree or plant with ~ous properties. 2. v.t. Administer ~ to (man, animal), kill or injure thus, whence ~ER¹ (-z-) n.: produce morbid effects in (blood etc.), whence (-)-ING¹ (-z-) n.; infect (air, water, etc.) with ~, smear (weapon) with ~ (esp. in p.p.); corrupt, pervert, (person, mind); destroy, spoil, (person's pleasure etc.); render (land, furnace, etc.) foul & unfit for its purpose by noxious application etc. Hence ~OUS a., ~OUSLY¹ adv., (-z-). [(n.) ME & OF *poison* (as *POTION*, see -SON); (vb) f. OF *poissonner* f. the n.]

poissarde¹ (pwōs-), n. Parisian market-woman leading riots during first revolution; French fishwife. [F]

pōke¹, n. Bag, sack, (now dial. exc. *buy a pig in a ~*); (Sc.) ~-*pudding* (also *pock*-), corpulent or gluttonous person, Englishman. [ME, cf. F *poche*, Icel. *poki*, & perh. obs. E *poogh* (OE *pohta*)]

pōke², v.t. & i. Thrust, push, (thing in, up, down, etc.) with hand, arm, point of stick, etc.; stir (fire) with poker; (colloq.) shut (oneself etc.) up in poky place; produce (hole etc. in thing) by poking; make thrusts with stick etc. (at etc.); thrust forward, esp. obtrusively, as (fig.) *don't ~ your nose into my affairs*; ~ *about*, ~ & *pry*, be inquisitive; ~ one in the ribs, nudge him with finger or elbows; ~ *fun* at, assail with ridicule; *pry (into)*; ~ one's head, carry head thrust forward, stoop. [ME & Du. *poken*, cf. Du. *pook* dagger, & POACH¹]

pōke³, n. Poking; thrust, nudge; device fastened on cattle etc. to prevent their breaking through fences; projecting brim or front of woman's bonnet or hat; ~ (-*bonnet*), bonnet with this, esp. as worn by Salvation Army women. [f. prec.]

pōk'er¹, n., & v.t. 1. Stiff metal rod with handle, for poking fire; (of person's car-

riage or manner) *as stiff as a ~*; || (Oxf. & Camb.) bedell carrying mace or stave before Vice-Chancellor; kinds of instrument used in ~work; *red-hot ~*, plant with spikes of scarlet or yellow flowers; (Joc. asseveration) *by the holy ~*; ~work, burning of designs on white wood with heated implement. 2. v.t. Execute (design) in, adorn (thing) with, ~work. [-ER¹]

pōk'er², n. American card-game for two or more persons, each of whom if not bluffed into declaring his hand bets on its value; ~face, impassive countenance appropriate to a ~player; so ~faced. [†]

pōk'ŷ, a. (Of place, room, etc.) confined, mean, shabby; (of occupation etc.) pottering, petty. [f. POKER² + -ŷ²]

pola'cre (-ahker), -ācc'a, n. Three-masted Mediterranean merchant vessel. [f. F *polacre* -aque, Polish, Pole, hist. unexpl.]

pōl'ar, a. & n. 1. Of, near, either pole of the earth or of the celestial sphere; ~ (white) bear, hare; ~ circles (parallel to equator at distance of 23° 28' from the poles) ~ distance, angular distance of point on sphere from nearer pole. 2. Having polarity, magnetic; having positive & negative electricity; (of molecules) symmetrically arranged in definite direction. 3. (geom.). Relating to a pole; ~ curve (related in particular way to given curve & to fixed point called pole). 4. (fig.). Analogous to the pole of the earth or to the pole-star; directly opposite in character. 5. n. ~ curve. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *polaris* (as POLE², see -AR¹)]

polar'i- in comb. = prec., as: *polarim'eter*, *polā'riscōpe*, instruments for showing polarization of light, so *polārimē'tric*, *polāriscope'ic*, ad., *polarim'etric*, n.

polā'rity, n. Tendency of lodestone, magnetized bar, etc., to point with its extremities to the magnetic poles of earth; tendency of a body to place its mathematical axis in particular direction; possession of two poles having contrary qualities (also fig.): electrical condition of body as positive or negative; (fig.) magnetic attraction towards an object. [-ITY]

pōl'ariz'e, v.t. & i. Modify the vibrations of (light, radiant heat, etc.) so that the ray exhibits different properties on different sides, opposite sides being alike & those at right angles showing maximum difference; (Magn., Electr.) give polarity to (bar, coil); (fig.) give arbitrary direction, special meaning, etc., to (word etc.), (also) give unity of direction to. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~A'TION, ~ER¹(2), nn. [(partly thr. F) f. POLAR, see -IZE]

pōlatouche' (-ōōch), n. Small flying squirrel. [F, f. Russ. *poletuchii* flying]

pōl'der, n. Piece of low-lying land reclaimed from sea or river in Netherlands. [Du.]

pōle¹, pole², n. & v.t. 1. Long slender rounded tapering piece of wood or (rarely) metal esp. as support for tent, telegraph wires, etc.; wooden shaft fitted to fore-carriage of vehicle & attached to yokes or collars of the horses etc.; *under bare ~s* (Naut.), with no sail set; *up the ~* (sl.), in a fix; (as measure) rod, perch, 5½ yds; ~jumping (with help of ~ held in hands). 2. v.t. Furnish with ~s; push, move, (off etc.) with ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *pōl*, cf. Du. *paal*, G *pfahl*, f. L *palus* stake]

pōle², n. North, South, ~, the two points in the celestial sphere about which the stars appear to revolve, (also) N. & S. extremities of earth's axis; *magnetic ~*, points, N. & S., in these extremities where the magnetic needle dips vertically; (Geom.) ~s of a circle of a sphere, the two points in which axis of that circle cuts surface of sphere; (Geom.) fixed point to which others are referred; each of the two opposite points on surface of magnet at which magnetic forces are manifested; each of two terminal points (*positive*, *negative*, ~) of electric cell, battery, etc.; (Biol.) extremity of main axis of any spherical or oval organ; (fig.) each of two opposed principles etc.; ~star, a star of Ursa Minor, now about 1° distant from N. ~ of heavens, (fig.) thing serving as guide, lodestar, centre of attraction. Hence ~WARD a., ~WARD(s) adv. [f. L f. Gk *polos* pivot, axis, sky]

Pōle³, n. Native of Poland. [G, f. Pol. *Połanie* lit. field-dwellers (*pole* field)]

pōle'ax(e) (-lā-), n., & v.t. Battle-axe; axe formerly used in naval warfare as weapon & for cutting ropes etc.; halbert; butcher's axe for slaughtering, (vb) slaughter (beast) with this. [ME *pollax* (POL¹ + AXE)]

pōle'cat (-lk-), n. || Small dark-brown fetid carnivorous quadruped of weasel family, native of Europe. [ME *polcat* (*pol-* etym. dub. + CAT)]

pōl'émarch (-k), n. (Gk Hist.). Military commander-in-chief with varying civil functions; (in Athens) third archon orig. with military functions. [f. Gk *polemar-khos* (*polemos* war + *arkhos* -ruler)]

pōlēm'ic, a. & n. 1. Controversial, disputatious. 2. n. Controversial discussion, (pl.) practice of this, esp. in theology; controversialist. Hence ~AL a., ~ALLY² adv., pōl'émizē(2) v.i. [f. Gk *polemi-kos* (*polemos* war, see -IC)]

pōlēm'ta, n. Italian porridge made of barley, chestnut meal, etc. [It.]

police' (-ēs), n., & v.t. 1. Civil administration, public order; department of government concerned with this; civil force responsible for maintaining public order; (as pl.) members of this, as *the ~ are on his track*; ~court (of summary jurisdiction, dealing with charges preferred by the ~); ~magistrate (presiding in ~court); ~man, member of ~ force; || ~office,

headquarters of ~ in city or town; ~officer, ~man; ~ State, totalitarian one controlled by political ~; ~station, office of local ~ force. 2. v.t. Control (country etc.) by means of ~, furnish with ~; (fig.) keep order in, control. [F, f. med. L *politia* = L *politia* POLICY¹]

policlin'ic, n. Clinic in private houses, not in hospital; out-patients' department of hospital. [f. G *poliklinik* (Gk *polis* city, CLINIC)]

pól'icý¹, n. Political sagacity; statecraft; prudent conduct, sagacity; craftiness; course of action adopted by government, party, etc.; || (Sc.) park round country seat etc.; *Court of P~*, legislative council in British Gulana. [f. OF *policie* f. L f. Gk *politeia* citizenship, polity (*politis* citizen f. *polis* city); in Sc. sense (earlier = improvement of estate) confused w. L *politus* polished]

pól'icý², n. (In full, ~ of assurance, insurance ~) document containing contract of assurance or insurance. [f. F *police* bill of lading, contract of insurance, prob. f. med. L *apodissa* f. L f. Gk *apodeixis* demonstration, proof, f. *APODEIKNUMI* show]]

pól'igár, n. Feudal chief in S. India; predatory follower of such chief; ~dog (variety from the ~ country). [ult. f. Tamil *palaiyakkaran* (*palaiyam* feudal estate)]

pól'iomýélit's, n. (path.). Inflammation of the grey matter of the spinal cord; infantile paralysis. [f. Gk *polios* grey + MYELITIS]

pól'ish¹, v.t. & i. Make, become, smooth & glossy by friction; (fig.) make elegant or cultured, refine, (esp. in p.p.); smarten up; ~ off, finish off quickly. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [f. F *polir* (see ~ISH²) f. L *polire* -it-]

pól'ish², n. Smoothness, glossiness, produced by friction; such friction; substance used to produce smooth surface; (fig.) refinement. [f. prec.]

Pól'ish³, a. & n. 1. Of Poland or the Poles. 2. n. The language of Poland. [-ISH¹]

pól'itárch (-k), n. (hist.). Governor of some Oriental cities, e.g. Thessalonica, under Romans. [f. Gk *politarkhês* (*politis* citizen + *arkhês* ruler)]

polite¹, a. Of refined manners, courteous; cultivated, cultured; well-bred; (of literature etc.) refined, elegant, as ~ letters. Hence ~LY¹ (-tl-) adv., ~NESS (-tn-) n. [f. L as POLISH¹]

pól'itic, a. & n. 1. (Of person) sagacious, prudent, (of actions etc.) judicious, expedient; scheming, crafty; BODY¹ ~. 2. n. pl. Science & art of government, political affairs or life, political principles, as *what are his ~s*, *talk ~s*, *is not practical ~s* (is too remote to be worth discussing). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *politique* f. L f. Gk *politikos* (as POLICY¹, see -IO)]

polit'ical, a. & n. 1. Of the State or its government; of public affairs; of politics; (of person) engaged in civil administration, as ~ agent, resident, (in India) government official advising ruler of native State; having an organized polity; belonging to, taking, a side in politics; ~ ECONOMY; ~ geography (dealing with boundaries & possessions of States); ~ verse, modern Greek verse composed by accent, not quantity, with accent on last syllable but one. 2. n. ~ agent. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

póliti'cian (-shn), n. One skilled in politics, statesman; one interested or engaged in politics, esp. as profession; one who makes a trade of politics. [f. POLTRO, see -IOIAN]

polit'icize, v.i. & t. Act the politician; engage in, talk, politics; give political character to. [-IZE]

polit'ico- in comb. = politically, political & —, as ~economical, ~geographical, ~moral, ~social; ~religious, (usu.) pertaining to politics as influenced by religion. [as POLITIC]

pól'itý, n. Condition of civil order; form, process, of civil government; organized society, state. [f. obs. F *politie*, as POLICY¹]

pólk, v.i. Dance polka. [f. F *polker* as foll.] **pól'ka**, n. 1. Lively dance of Bohemian origin in binary time; music for this. 2. Woman's tight-fitting jacket, usu. knitted. [F & G, etym. dub.]

pól'l¹, n. (Now dial. or joc.) human head; part of this on which hair grows, as *grey*, *flacen*, ~; counting of voters esp. at parliamentary or other election; voting at election, as *exclusion of women from the ~*; number of votes recorded, as *heavy*, *light*, ~; ~tax (levied on every person). [ME & obs. Du. *polle* top of head, cf. Da. *puld*, Sw. dial. *pull*]

pól'l², v.t. & i. (Arch.) crop the hair of; cut off top of (tree, plant), esp. make a pollard of; cut off horns of (cattle, esp. in p.p.); take the votes of, (pass.) have one's vote taken; (of candidate) receive (so many votes); give (vote); give one's vote. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. prec.]

pól'l³, a. & n. Polled, cut evenly; (in comb.) hornless, as ~beast, -ox; (n.) ~beast, esp. one of a breed of hornless oxen. [short for p.p. of prec.]

pól'l⁴, n. (P~) conventional proper name of parrot; ~ parrot, parrot, user of conventional phrases & arguments. [altered f. *MoU* familiar equivalent of *Mary*]

|| **pól'l**⁵, n. (Camb. Univ. sl.). *The P~*, the passmen; *go out in the P~*, take pass degree; (attrib.) ~ degree, man. [perh. f. POLLOI]

pól'l'ack, -ock, n. Sea-fish allied to ood. [?]

pól'am, n. Feudal estate of poligar. [f. Tamil *palaiyam*]

póll'an, n. Irish freshwater fish. [of. Gael. *pollag*, Ir. *pollóg*, perh. f. Ir. *poll* inland lake]

póll'ard, n., & v.t. 1. Animal that has cast or lost its horns; ox, sheep, goat, of hornless variety; tree polled so as to produce close rounded head of young branches; bran sifted from flour, (techn.) fine bran containing some flour. 2. v.t. Make a ~ of (tree). [POLL¹ + -ARD]

póll'en, n., & v.t. 1. Fine powdery substance discharged from anther of flower, male element that fertilizes ovules. 2. v.t. Convey ~ to, cover with ~. Hence ~LESS, **pollin'ic**, **pollinir'eros**, aa. [L. gen. -inis = fine flour, dust]

pollicitá'tion, n. (civil law). Promise not yet formally accepted, & therefore revocable. [f. L. *pollicitatio* (*pollicitari* frequent. of *polliceri* promise, see -ATION)]

póll'in'áte, v.t. Besprinkle with pollen, shed pollen upon. Hence ~ATION n. [-ATE³]

póll'ot, n. pl. *Hoi* ~, most people, the majority, the rabble. [Gk, lit. the many]

pollute' (-dót), v.t. Destroy the purity or sanctity of; make (water etc.) foul or filthy. So **pollu'tion** (-dó) n. [f. L. *polluere* -lut- (*pol-* = pro forth + *luere* wash)]

póll'ó, n. Game of Eastern origin like hockey played on horseback; ~stick, long-handled mallet used; WATER~. [native]

pólonaise' (-áz), n. 1. Woman's dress consisting of bodice with skirt open from waist downwards. 2. (Music for) slow processional dance of Polish origin with three beats in bar. [F, fem. (as n.) of *polonais* Polish]

polón'ium, n. A radio-active metallic element forming the last stage before lead in the radio-active disintegration of radium. [f. med. L. *Polonia* Poland, discoverer's country, -IUM]

polón'y, n. (Also *P~ sausage*) sausage of partly cooked pork. [perh. f. med. L. *Polonia* Poland, or f. *Bologna*]

pól'tergeist (-gist), n. (Folklore & Spiritualism) noisy mischievous spirit. [G]

pólt'fóot, n. & a. (arch.). Club-foot(ed). [*pol* pestle, club, etym. du¹, + FOOT]

póltróon', n. Spiritless coward. So ~ERY(4) n. [f. F *poltron* f. It. *poltrone* (*poltro* sluggish, lazy, f. obs. *poltro* bed perh. f. OHG *polstar* bolster, see -OON³)]

póly- in comb. = Gk *polus* many, as: ~adél'phous, with stamens united in 3 or more bundles; ~án'drist, woman with several husbands; ~án'drous, of, practising, ~andry, (Bot.) with numerous stamens; *pol'yandry*, plurality of husbands; *pol'yarchy* (-ki), government by many; ~atóm'ic, containing many (esp. replaceable hydrogen) atoms; ~autógráphy, lithography; ~bás'ic (Chem.), having more than two bases or atoms of a

base f. ~cárp'ellary, ~cárp'ous, having several carpels; ~cháete (-két) a. & n., ~cháel'an, ~cháel'ous, (-két-), aa., (worm) with many bristles on the foot-stumps; ~chró'ite (-kr-), colouring-matter of saffron, exhibiting various colours under various reagents; ~dac'tyl a. & n., (animal) with more than normal number of fingers or toes; ~daem'onism, belief in many supernatural powers; ~gas'tric, with many stomachs; ~gen'esís, origination of a race or species from several independent ancestors or germs, so ~genés'ic, ~gen-ét'ic, aa.; ~gen'ic, (Chem.) forming more than one compound with hydrogen etc., (Geol.) = ~genous; *pol'y'genism*, theory of ~geny; *pol'y'genist*, holder of this, so ~genis'tic a.; *pol'y'genous*, (Geol.) composed of various kinds of rock, (Chem.) = ~genic; *pol'y'geny*, origination of mankind from several independent pairs of ancestors; *pol'y'gram*, many-lined figure or design; *pol'y'graph*, kinds of copying apparatus, (also) writer of many or various works, so ~gráph'ic a., *pol'y'gráphy* n.; *pol'y'gynous* (-g-), of, practising, ~gyny, (Bot.) with many pistils, styles, or stigmas; *pol'y'gyny* (-g-), plurality of wives; ~héd'ron, many (usu. more than six)-sided solid, so ~héd'ral, ~héd'ric, aa.; *pol'ymer*, compound formed by simple chemical addition from a number of identical molecules each of which consists of a number of identical units; ~mé'ric, (of compounds) composed of same elements in same proportions, but differing in molecular weight; *pol'ymerism*, condition of being ~meric or ~merous; ~meriza'tion, formation of a ~mer by simple chemical addition of a number of identical smaller molecules; *pol'ymerize*, render ~meric or ~merous; *pol'ymerous* (Nat. Hist.), composed of many parts: ~morph'ic, ~morph'ous, multiform, esp. (Nat. Hist., Biol.) varying in individuals, passing through successive variations, so ~morph'ism n.; ~ndm'ial a. & n. (Alg.) = MULTINOMIAL; ~ón'y'mous, called by several different names: ~ón'y'my, use of different names for same thing; ~óp'ia, affection of the eyes in which one object appears as two or more; ~pét'alous, having separate petals; *pol'yph'agous*, voracious, (Zool.) feeding on various kinds of food; *pol'yphone*, letter, symbol, standing for different sounds; ~phón'ic, *pol'yph'onus*, many-voiced, (Philol.) standing for different sounds, (Mus.) contrapuntal; *pol'yph'ony*, quality of being ~phonic, (Mus.) counterpoint; ~phylét'ic, = ~genetic; ~phýll'ous, ~sép'alous, having separate perianth-leaves, sepals; *pol'ystome* a. & n., (animal) with many mouths or suckers; ~synthét'ic, (of languages) combining several words of a sentence (e.g. verb & object) into one; ~thál'amous

(Nat. Hist.), many-chambered; *pol'ytype*, kind of stereotype, copy of engraving etc. made from this; *~zō'a*, class of compound invertebrates, so *~zō'ic* a.; *~zōn'al*, (of lighthouse lens) composed of several annular segments.

pōlyān'thus, n. Kinds of cultivated primula. [f. POLY- + Gk *anthos* flower]

pōlychrmāt'ic (-kr-), a. Many-coloured. [POLY-]

pōly'chrōme (-kr-), a. & n. 1. Painted, printed, decorated, in many colours.

2. n. Work of art in several colours, esp. coloured statue; varied colouring. Hence

pōlychrm'ic, **pōly'chrōmous**, aa. [f. f. Gk *polukhrōmos* (POLY-, *chrōma* colour)]

pōly'chrōm'y (-kr-), n. Art of painting in several colours, esp. as applied to ancient pottery etc. [f. f. *polychromie* (as prec., see -y¹)]

pōlyclīn'ic, n. Clinic devoted to various diseases, general hospital. [POLY-; altered in sense & form f. POLICLINIC]

pōly'g'am'ous, a. Having more than one wife or (less usu.) husband at once, so

pōlygām'ic a., *~ist*, *~y¹*, nn.; (Zool.) having more than one mate; (Bot.) bearing some flowers with stamens only, some with pistils only, some with both, on same or on different plants. [f. late Gk *polugamos* (*polu-* POLY- + *-gamos* marry-)]

pōly'glōt, a. & n. Of many languages; (person) speaking or writing several languages; (book, esp. Bible) written in several languages. Hence **pōlyglōtt'al**, **pōlyglōtt'ic**, aa., *~tism* n. [f. Gk *poluglōtos* (*polu-* POLY- + *glōta* tongue)]

pōly'gon, n. Figure (usu. plane rectilinear) with many (usu. more than four) angles or sides; *~ of forces*, *~ illustrating theorem relating to number of forces acting at a point*. Hence **pōly'gonal** a., **pōly'gonal'y²** adv. [f. L f. Gk *polugōnos* neut. adj. as n. (*polu-* POLY- + *-gōnos* -angled)]

pōly'gonum, n. Genus of plants including knotgrass, snakeweed, etc. [f. Gk *polugonon* (*polu-* POLY- + *gonu* knee)]

pōlyhis'tor, n. Man of varied learning, great scholar. [f. Gk *poluistōr* (*polu-* POLY- + *histōr*, see HISTORY)]

pōly'māth, n. = prec. So **pōly'm'ath'y¹** n. [f. Gk *polumathēs* (*polu-* POLY- + *math-* st. of *manthanō* learn)]

Pōlyne'sia (-sha), n. Small islands in Pacific Ocean east of Australia. Hence *~ian* (-shn) a. [f. POLY- + Gk *nēsos* island]

pōlyn'ia, n. Space of open water in midst of ice, esp. in arctic seas. [f. Russ. *polunya* (*pole* field)]

pōl'yp(e), n. Kinds of animal of low organization, e.g. hydra; individual of some compound organisms. [F (-pe), as POLYPUS]

pōl'ypar'y, n. Common stem or supporting structure of a colony of polyps. [-ary = -ARIUM]

pōl'yp'idom (or *pōl'ic*), n. = prec. [f. POLYPUS + I. *domus* house]

pōl'yp'ite, n. Individual polyp. [-ITE¹]

pōl'yp'od, a. & n. (Animal) with many feet. [f. F *polypode* f. Gk as POLYPUS]

pōl'yp'ōdy, n. Genus of ferns, c-p. (*common* ~) species growing on moist rocks, walls, etc. [f. L f. Gk *polupodion*, as POLYPUS]

pōl'yp'oid, a. Of, like, a polyp or a *polypus*. So *~ous* a. [-OID]

pōl'yp'us, n. (pl. -pī). Kinds of tumbur, usu. with ramifications like tentacles. [L, f. Gk *polupous* cuttle-fish, *polypus* in nose (*polu-* POLY- + *-pous* -podus footed)]

pōlys'yllāb'ic, a. (Of word) having many syllables; marked by polysyllables. Hence *~ically* adv. [f. mod. L f. Gk *polusyllabos* (as foll.) + -ic]

pōlys'yll'able, n. Polysyllabic word. [f. mod. L *polysyllaba* (roz word), see POLY- & SYLLABLE]

pōlytēch'nic (-k-), a. & n. Dealing with, devoted to, various arts, as *~ school*; *P~* (*Institution*), technical school, || esp. one in London orig. opened 1838. [f. F *polytechnique* f. Gk *polutekhnos* (*polu-* POLY- + *tekhnē* art), see -ic]

pōl'ythē'ism, n. Belief in, worship of, many gods or more than one god. So *~ist* n., *~is'tic* a. [f. F *polythéisme* f. Gk *polutheos* of many gods (*polu-* POLY- + *theos* god), see -ISM]

pōm, n. Pomeranian dog. [abbr.]

pomace (pūm'is), n. Mass of crushed apples in cider-making before or after juice is pressed out; any pulp; refuse of fish etc. after oil has been extracted, used as fertilizer. [ult. f. L *pomum* apple]

pomade' (-ahd, -ād), n., & v.t. 1. Scented ointment (perh. orig. from apples) for hair & skin of head. 2. v.t. Anoint with ~. [f. F *pommade* (*pomme* apple, POME, + -ADE)]

pōm'ander (or *pōmān'*), n. (hist.). Ball of mixed aromatic substances carried in box, bag, etc., as preservative against infection; ball of gold, silver, etc., in which ~ was carried. [earlier *pomamber* f. OF *pomme d'ambre* (*pomme* apple, see prec., + *ambre* AMBER)]

Pomard', **Pomm-**, (-ahr), n. A red Burgundy wine. [~, village in France]

pōmāt'um, n., & v.t. = POMADE. [f. L *pomum* apple + *-atum* -ATE¹]

pōm'i'bé, n. Intoxicating drink from various kinds of grain & fruit in Africa. [native]

pōme, n. (Bot.) succulent INFERIOR fruit with firm fleshy body enclosing carpels forming the core, e.g., apple, pear, quince, so **pōmif'EROUS** a.; (poet.) apple; metal

ball. [OF, f. L *poma* pl. of *pomum* fruit, apple]

pomé'gránate (-mg-; also püm-), n. Fruit of a tree native to N. Africa & W. Asia, a large red berry about size of orange with tough golden or orange rind & acid reddish pulp enveloping seeds; the tree. [f. OF *pome grenate* f. L *granata* seeded (GRAIN, -ATE²)]

pom'elô (püm-), n. (pl. ~s). Small shaddock or grape-fruit. [etym. dub.]

Pömerän'ian, a. & n. Of Pomerania on S. coast of Baltic; ~ (dog), small dog with long silky hair, pointed muzzle, & pricked ears. [-AN]

pöm'frét, n. Fish found in Indian & Pacific Oceans, used as food. [prob. ult. f. Port. *pampo*]

|| **pöm'frét-cake**, n. Liquorice cake made at Pontefract (earlier Pomfrot) in Yorks. **pöm'iculture**, n. Fruit-growing. [f. L *pomum* fruit + CULTURE]

Pommard. See **POCARD**.

pomm'el (püm-), n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Rounded knob esp. at end of sword-hilt; upward projecting front part of saddle. 2. v.t. Strike or beat (as) with ~; beat with fists. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *pomel* f. LL *+pomellum* dim. as *POME*]

pömöl'og'ÿ, n. Science of fruit-growing. Hence **pömölö'gical** a., ~IST n. [as *POME* + -LOGY]

Pomôn'a, n. (Rom. Myth.) goddess of fruits; ~ *green* (in which yellow predominates). [L]

pömp, n. Splendid display, splendour; (pl.) the ~s & vanity of this wicked world. [f. F *pompe* f. L f. Gk *pompê* procession, pomp, (*pempô* send)]

Pöm'padour (-öör), n. Marquise de ~, mistress of Louis XV; (attrib., designating) style of hair-dressing, cut of bodice, etc.

pöm'panô, n. (pl. ~s). Kinds of W.-Ind. & N.-Amer. fish esteemed for food. [f. Sp. *paimpano*]

|| **Pöm'pey**, n. (sl.). Portsmouth. [?]

pöm'pier, a. ~ *ladder*, fireman's scaling ladder. [F, = fireman (as **PUMP**, see -IER)]

pöm'pöm, n. Long-range Maxim automatic quick-firing gun. [imit.]

pöm'pôn (& see Ap.). n. Ornamental tuft or bunch of ribbon, flowers, etc., on women's & children's hats & shoes; round tuft on soldier's cap, front of shako, etc. [F, etym. dub.]

pöm'pous, a. Magnificent, splendid; self-important, consequential, (of language) inflated, so **pömposity** n. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *pompousus* as **POMP**, see -ORS]

pönce (-ns), n. (sl.). Souteneur. [?]

pön'ceau (-sô), n. Poppy colour, bright red. [F]

pön'chô, n. (pl. ~s). S.-Amer. cloak, oblong piece of cloth with slit in middle for

head; cape for bicycling etc. on same plan. [native]

pönd, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Small body of still water artificially formed by hollowing or embanking; (loc.) the sea; cf. **HERRING-**~; ~-*life*, animals esp. invertebrates that live in ~s; ~-*weed*, kinds of aquatic herb growing in still water. 2. v.t. Hold back, dam up, (stream); (v.l., of water) form a pool or ~. [prob. var. of **FOUND**²]

pön'dage, n. Capacity of pond; storage of water. [-AGE]

pön'der, v.t. & i. Weigh mentally, think over, (matter, how, etc.); think on, muse over. Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. OF *ponderer* f. L *ponderare* (*pondus* -eris weight)]

pön'derable, a. Having appreciable weight (lit. & fig.). Hence ~**ABILITY** n. [f. LL *ponderabilis* (as prec., see -BLE)]

pönderä'tion, n. Weighing, balancing, (lit. & fig.). [f. L *ponderatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

pön'derous, a. Heavy; unwieldy; laborious; (of style) dull, tedious. Hence or cogn. **pönderos'ITY**, ~**NESS**, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. F *pondéreux* f. L *ponderosus* (*pondus* -eris weight, see -OUS)]

pön'éi, n. Leader's partner in some card games. [L, 2nd sing. Imperat. of *ponere* place]

pöne², n. Maize bread, esp. as made by N.-Amer. Indians; fine light bread made with milk, eggs, etc.; cake, loaf, of this. [native]

pongee (pünjé'), n. Soft unbleached kind of Chinese silk. [perh. f. Chin. *pun-chi* own loom]

pön'gô (-ngg-), n. (Early name for) a large anthropoid African ape; (improp.) orang-outang. [native]

pön'iard (-yard), n., & v.t. Dagger; (v.t.) stab with ~. [f. F *poignard* (*poing* fist f. L *pugnus*, -ARD)]

pöns (-nz), n. ~ *ästinör'um*, bridge of asses, i.e. 5th proposition of 1st book of Euclid, hence, anything found difficult by beginners; ~ (*Varöl'it*), band of nerve-fibres in brain [f. *Varoli*, Italian anatomist]. [L, = bridge]

pön'tifex, n. (pl. -*ifices* pr. -*ëz*). (Rom. Ant.) member of principal college of priests in Rome, *P~ maximus*, head of this; = *pöll*. [L, f. *pons -ntis* bridge or Osc.-Umbr. *puntis* sacrifice + *-fex -ficus* f. *favere* make]

pön'tiff, n. (Also *sovereign* ~) the Pope; bishop; chief priest. [f. F *pontife* f. prec.]

pöntif'ical, a. & n. 1. Of, befitting, a pontiff. 2. n. Office-book of Western Church containing forms for rites to be performed by bishops; (pl.) vestments & insignia of bishop. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *pontificalis* (as **PONTIFEX**, see -AL)]

pöntif'icäl'ia, n. pl. Pontificals. [L, neut. pl. as prec.]

pöntif'icate, n. Office of pontifex, bishop,

or pope; period of this. [f. L *pontificatus* (as *PONTIFEX*, see -ATE¹)]

pōn'tifī, v.i. Play the pontiff, assume airs of infallibility. [f. F *pontifier* f. L *pontificare* (as *PONTIFEX*), see -FY]

pōnt-lēv'is (or paw'n lev'), n. Draw-bridge. [F]

pōntoneer', -nier (-nēr), n. One who has charge of pontoons or of construction of a pontoon-bridge. [f. F *pontonnier* f. med. L *pontonarius* (as foll., see -EER)]

pōntōōn', n., & v.t. Flat-bottomed boat used as ferry-boat etc.; one of several boats, hollow metal cylinders, etc. used to support temporary bridge; = *CAISSON* (not in first sense); (v.t.) cross (river) by means of ~s. [f. F *ponton* f. L *ponto-onis* (*pōns -ntis* bridge, see -OON)]

|| **pōntōōn'**, n. = *VINGT(ET)-UN*. [prob. corruption]

pōn'y, n. Horse of any small breed, esp. not more than 13 or (pop.) 14 hands; || (sl.) #25. [f. Sc. *powney* prob. f. OF *poulenet* little foal dim. of *poulain* f. LL *pullanus* (*pullus* foal)]

pōod, n. Russian weight, 36 lb. avoirdupois. [f. Russ. *puḍu* f. Norse *pund* POUND]

pōō'dle, n., & v.t. Kinds of pet dog with long curling hair often clipped & shaved fantastically; (v.t.) clip & shave (dog) thus. [f. G *pudel(hund)* f. *pudeln* splash in water, cf. *pudel* PUDDLE]

pōō'dle-fāk'er, n. (sl.). Youth too much given to tea-parties and ladies' society generally. So ~ing vbl. n. [?]

pōoh (pōō, pōōh), int. expr. impatience or contempt. [imit. f. sound of blowing a thing away]

Pōoh-Bah' (pōōb-), n. Holder of many offices at once. [person in W. S. Gilbert's *The Mikado*]

pōoh-pōoh' (pōōpōō'), v.t. Express contempt for, make light of, as he ~ed the idea. [see POOH]

pōō'ja. Var. of PUJA.

|| **pōō'ka**, n. Hobgoblin. [Ir. *púca*]

pōō'kōō, puku (pōō'kōō), n. Red antelope of S. Central Africa. [f. Zulu *mpuku*]

pōōl', n., & v.t. 1. Small body of still water, usu. of natural formation; puddle of any liquid; deep still place in river. 2. v.t. Make (hole) for insertion of wedge in quarrying, undermine (coal). [(vb f. n.) OE *pōl*, cf. Du. *poel*]

pōōl', n., & v.t. 1. (Cards) collective amount of players' stake & fines; receptacle for these. 2. || Game on billiard-table in which each player has ball of different colour with which he tries to pocket the others in fixed order, winner taking the whole stakes. 3. (Collective stakes in) a joint gambling venture. 4. Arrangement between competing parties by which prices are fixed & business divided to do away with competition. 5. Common fund, e.g. of the profits of separate firms;

common supply of persons, commodities, etc. (also attrib., as ~ *petrol*). 6. v.t. Throw into common fund, share in common; (of transport organizations etc.) share (traffic, receipts). [(vb f. n.) prob. f. F *poule* hen (perh. in sense 'booty'), in E early assoc. with prec.]

pōōn, n. E.-Indian tree; ~oil, oil from seeds of this, used in medicine & for lamps. [f. Cingalese *puna*]

pōōn'ah (-a), a. ~ *painting* (on rice or other thin paper in imitation of oriental work); ~ *brush, paper* (used for this). [F~, Indian city]

pōōp', n., & v.t. 1. Stern of ship; aftermost & highest deck. 2. v.t. (Of wave) break over stern of (ship); (of ship) receive (wave) over stern. Hence (-)~ED² (-pt) &. [f. OF *pupe* f. LL *puppa* f. L *puppis*]

pōōp'. See POPE¹.

|| **pōōp'**, n. (sl.). Foolish insignificant person. [abbr. NINCOMPPOP]

poor, a. 1. Wanting means to procure comforts or necessities of life, needy, indigent; ill supplied, deficient, (in a possession or quality); (of soil) unproductive; scanty, inadequate, less than is expected, as *the crop was ~*, a ~ *three weeks' holiday*; paltry, sorry, as *that is a ~ consolation*; spiritless, despicable, as *he is a ~ creature*; humble, insignificant, (often iron. or joc., as *in my ~ opinion*); (expr. pity or sympathy) unfortunate, hapless, as ~ *fellows*, the ~ *child is inconsolable*; the ~, (esp.) those dependent on charitable or parochial relief. 2. ~ *box*, money-box esp. in church for relief of the ~; ~ *house*, workhouse; ~ *law* (relating to support of paupers); ~ *man's weather-glass*, pimpernel; || ~ *rate*, rate, assessment, for relief or support of the ~; ~ *spirited*, timid, cowardly. [ME & OF *poor(e)*, *poore*, f. L *pauper*]

poor'ly, adv. & pred. a. 1. Scantily, defectively; with no great success; meanly, contemptibly. 2. adj. Unwell, as *he is (looking) very ~*. [prec. + -LY²; pred. a. prob. orig. adv.]

poor'ness, n. Defectiveness; lack of some good quality or constituent. [POOR + -NESS]

|| **poort** (pōrt), n. (S. Afr.). Pass, narrower than a nek. [Du., = *gate* (way)]

pōp', v.i. & t. (-pp-). Make small quick explosive sound as of cork when drawn; let off (fire-arm etc.); fire gun (*at* bird etc.); put (thing *in, out, down*, etc.) quickly or suddenly; move, go, come, (*in* etc.) thus; put (question) abruptly, esp. (colloq.) ~ *the question*, propose marriage; || (sl.) pawn; (sl.) ~ *off* (the *hooks*), die; *parch (maize) till it bursts open, ~ *corn*, maize so parched; ~ *gun*, child's toy gun shooting pellets by compression of air with piston, (derog.) inefficient fire-arm; || ~ *shop*, pawnbroker's shop. [imit.]

pōp', n., adv., & int. 1. Abrupt explosive

sound; dot, spot, esp. in marking sheep etc.; (colloq.) effervescent drink, esp. ginger-beer or champagne; || (sl.) pawning, esp. in ~, in pawn. 2. int. or adv. *Heard it go* (make the sound) ~!; ~ *goes the weasel*, country dance in which dancer darted under arms of others to his partner. [as prec.]

pōp³, n. (colloq.). Popular concert, as *Saturday ~s*. [abbr.]

|| **Pōp**⁴, n. Social & debating club at Eton. [f. *L. popina* cookshop (orig. meeting-place)]

pop⁵. See POPPA.

pōpe¹, n. 1. Bishop of Rome as head of Roman Catholic Church; (fig.) person assuming or credited with infallibility etc. 2. *P ~ Joan*, fabulous female ~, a card-game; ~'s *eye*, lymphatic gland surrounded with fat in middle of leg of mutton; ~'s *head*, round long-handled broom; ~'s *nose*, = PARSON'S *nose*. Hence ~'DOM (-pd-) n., ~'LESS (-pl-) a. [OE *pōpa* f. eccl. *L. papa* f. late Gk *papas* = Gk *pappas* father, cf. PAPA]

pōpe², n. Parish priest of Greek Church in Russia etc. [f. Russ. *popu* f. Gk as prec.]

pōpe³, **pōpō**, n., & v.t. Place in thigh on which blow is painful or paralysing, esp. *take person's ~*, strike this; (v.t.) take the ~ of. {}

pōp'er'y, n. Papal system, Roman Catholic religion, (in hostile use). [f. *POPE*¹ + -ERY]

***pōp-eyed** (-id), a. (colloq.). Having bulging eyes; open-eyed (with surprise etc.). [POP¹]

pōp'injay, n. (Arch.) parrot; (Hist.) figure of parrot on pole as mark to shoot at; conceited person; || (dial.) green woodpecker. [f. OE *papinay* etc., cf. med. Gk *papagās*, Arab. *babagha*, prob. imit. & of Afr. orig.]

pōp'ish, a. Of popery, papistical. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. *POPE*¹ + -ISH¹]

pōp'lar, n. Genus of large trees of rapid growth (often w. allusion to straightness of trunk); *trembling ~*, aspen. [f. OE *poplier* f. *L. pōpulus* + -IER]

|| **Pōp'larism**, n. Policy of giving extravagant out-relief (as practised by the Poplar Board of Guardians c. 1920); any similar policy tending to raise the rates. [-ISM]

pōp'lin, n. (Formerly) woven fabric of silk warp & worsted weft with corded surface; (now usu.) fabric of mercerized cotton. [f. *F. popeline* f. It. *papalina* PAPAL, from the papal town Avignon where it was made]

pōplit'eal, a. Of the ham, of the hollow at back of knee, as ~ *artery*, ~ *tendons* (ham-strings). [f. *L. poples* -itis ham, see -AL]

***pōpp'a**, ***pōp**, n. Papa. [f. *papa*]

pōpp'et, n. || (Now dial.) small person, esp. as term of endearment; lathe-head; (Naut.) short piece of wood for various

purposes; ~-head, lathe-head, || (Mining) frame at top of shaft supporting pulleys for ropes used in holisting. [earlier form of PUPPET]

pōpp'ing, n. In vbl senses; (Crick.) ~-crease [perh. = striking-crease], line 4 feet in front of & parallel to wicket within which batsman must stand. [-ING¹]

pōp'ple, v.i., & n. (Of water) tumble about, toss to & fro; (n.) rolling, tossing, ripple. Hence **pōpp'ly**² a. [prob. imit.]

pōpp'y, n. Genus of herbs having milky juice with narcotic properties & showy flowers of scarlet or other colour; *opium ~*, species from which opium is obtained; *Flanders poppies* (sacred to dead of 1914-18 war; also as name of those made for & sold on *P ~ Day*, Saturday nearest 11 Nov.); ~-head, seed capsule of ~, (Archit.) ornamental top to end of church seat; *Shirley ~*, cultivated variety of common corn ~ [f. *Shirley* Vicarage, Croydon, where first produced]. Hence **pōpp'ian**¹ (-pid) a. [OE *popæg*, *papoeg*, ult. f. *L. papaver*]

***pōpp'ycōck**, n. (sl.). Nonsense. {}

pōp'sy(-wōpsy), n. An endearing appellation for a girl. [prob. f. *POP* abbr. of POPPET, with dim. suf.]

pōp'ulace, n. The common people; the rabble. [F, f. It. *popolaccio* (*popolo* PEOPLE + *-accio* pejorative suf.)]

pōp'ular, a. Of, carried on by, the people, as ~ *election*, *meetings*, *tumult*; adapted to the understanding, taste, or means of the people, as *in ~ language*, ~ *science*, *at ~ (low) prices*; liked, admired, by the people or by people generally or with specified class, as ~ *teachers*, *the ~ hero*, *is ~ with his men*, so **pōp'ulā'rity** n.; prevalent among the people, as ~ *fallacies*; ~ *front* (Pol.), party representing Left elements. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. *L. popularis* (as PEOPLE, see -AR¹)]

pōp'ulariz(e), v.t. Make popular, cause (person, principle, etc.) to be generally known or liked; extend (suffrage etc.) to the common people; present (technical subject etc.) in popular form. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

pōp'ulāte, v.t. Inhabit, form the population of, (country, town, etc.); supply with inhabitants, as *a densely ~d district*. [f. LL *populare* (as PEOPLE)]

pōp'ulā'tion, n. Degree in which place is populated; total number of inhabitants, the people of a country etc. (*an A1, a C3*, ~, of highest, lowest efficiency, w. ref. to military classification of men in categories ranging from A1 to C3); *the inhabitants of a place (the ~ turned out to welcome him)*. [f. LL *populatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

pōp'ul'ist, n. Adherent of U.S. political party aiming at public control of railroads, graduated income-tax, etc., formed 1892; adherent of Russian political party

advocating collectivism. So ~ISM n., ~-
is'tu a. [f. L *populus* PEOPLE + -IST]

póp'ulous, a. Thickly inhabited. Hence
~NESS n. [f. L *populosus* (as PEOPLE, see
-OUS)]

pórb'eagle, n. Mackerel-shark. [Cornish
dial., etym. dub.]

pórc'e'lain (-slin-), n. Fine kind of earthen-
ware with translucent body & transparent
glaze; thing made of this; (fig., attrib.)
delicate, fragile; ~-shell, cowrie; ~ clay,
kaolin. Hence or cogn. ~OUS (-slin-),
pórc'ellán'eous, pórc'ellán'ic, pórc'el-
lanous, aa. [f. F *porcelaine* Venus shell,
porcelain, f. It. *porcellana* (*porcella* dim.
of *porco* hog f. L *porcus*, from resemblance
of the shell to hog's back)]

pórc'e'lainize (-slin-), v.t. Convert (clay,
shale, etc.) into porcelain or similar sub-
stance. [-IZE]

pórch n. Covered approach to entrance
of building; the P~, colonnade at Athens
to which Zeno & his disciples resorted,
(hence) Stoic school or philosophy (cf.
ACADEMY, GARDEN, LYCEUM). Hence ~ED²
(-cht), ~LESS, aa. [f. F *porche* f. L
porticus]

pórc'ine, a. Of or like swine. [F (-in-
-ine), f. L *porcinus* (*porcus* hog, see -INE¹)]

pórc'úp'ine, n. || Rodent quadruped with
body & tail covered with erectile spines;
kinds of machine with many spikes or
teeth, e.g. for heckling flax etc.; (attrib.,
applied to animals with spines etc.) ~e
ant-eater, crab, fish, grass. Hence ~ISH¹,
~Y¹, aa. [f. OF *porc espin* ult. f. L
porcus hog + *spina* thorn; earlier also
porcuspick f. F *porc-épic* (L *spicus* = *spica*
spike) & *porpentine*]

póre¹, n. Minute opening (esp. in skin of
animal body) through which fluids may
pass. [F, f. L f. Gk *poros* passage, pore]

póre², v.i. & t. ~ over, be absorbed in
studying (book etc.), (fig.) meditate, think
intently upon, (subject); (arch.) look
intently at, on, over; ~ one's eyes out,
tire them by close reading. [ME *puren*,
etym. dub.]

pórg'e, v.t. (Jew. ritual). Make (slaugh-
tered beast) ceremonially clean by re-
moving sinews etc. Hence pórg'er¹ n.
[prob. f. L as PURGE]

***pórg'ý** (-g-), n. Perch-like salt-water
fish; sea-bream (applied also, esp. locally,
to many other fish). [perh. corruption of
Amer.-Ind. wd, but cf. L *pogrus* bream]

pór'ism (or pó'r-), n. (math.). Proposition
concerned with the conditions that will
render a given problem capable of in-
numerable solutions; corollary. So pó'r-
ismát'ic, póris'tic, aa. [f. L f. Gk
porisma -matos (*porizō* deduce f. *poros*
way, see -M)]

pórk, n. Flesh (esp. fresh) of swine used
as food; ~-butcher, one who slaughters
pigs for sale; ~ pie (of minced etc. ~);
~ ~-pie hat (with flat crown & brim turned

up all round). [f. F *porc* f. L *porcus* hog]

pórk'er, n. Pig raised for food; young
fattened hog, so pórk'er¹ n. [prec. +
-ER¹]

pórk'ling, n. Young or small pig. [-LING¹]

pórk'y, a. Of, like, pork, esp. (colloq.)
fleshy, fat. [-Y¹]

pórn [o- in comb. = Gk *pornē* harlot, as:
~o'r'ary, dominant influence of harlots,
esp. in government of Rome in 10th c.;
~og'raphy, description of manners etc. of
harlots, treatment of obscene subjects in
literature, such literature, so ~og'rapher
n., ~ograph'ic a.]

pórp'oplás'tic (or pó'r-), a. (SURG.). (Of
felt) both porous & plastic. [as PORR¹ +
PLASTIC]

pórous, a. Full of pores (lit. & fig.).
Hence or cogn. póros'ITY, ~NESS, nn.
[-OUS]

pórp'h'yry, n. Hard rock anciently quar-
ried in Egypt, composed of crystals of
white or red feldspar in red ground-mass;
(Geol.) unstratified or igneous rock hav-
ing homogeneous base in which crystals
of one or more minerals are disseminated.
[ult. f. Gk *porphyros* purple]

pórp'oise (-pus), n. Cetaceous mammal
five feet long with blunt rounded snout.
[f. OF *porpeis* f. L *porcus* hog + *pisceis*
fish]

pórrá'ceous (-shus), a. Leek-green. [f. L
porraceus (*porrum* leek, see -ACEOUS)]

porr'ect, v.t. (Nat. Hist.) stretch out
(part of body); (Eccl. Law) tender, sub-
mit, (document). [f. L *porrigere* -rect-
(*por-* PRO- + *regere* direct)]

|| **pó'r'ridge**, n. Soft food made by stirring
oatmeal or other meal or cereal in boiling
water or milk; keep one's breath to cool
one's ~, keep one's advice etc. for one's
own use. [altered f. POTTAGE]

pórrig'ō, n. (path.). Scaly eruption of
scalp. So pórr'iginous a. [L, gen. -ginis]

pó'r'ringer (-j-), n. Small basin from
which soup etc. is eaten esp. by children.
[earlier *potager* (as PORRIDGE, see -ER¹);
for -n- cf. *passenger*, *messenger*]

pórt¹, n. Harbour (lit. & fig.); town,
place, possessing harbour, esp. one where
customs officers are stationed; (in proper
names) P~ *Arthur*, *Said*, etc.: P~ of
London Authority, corporate body set up
by P~-of-London Act 1908 for control of
~ & docks: free~, one open for merchants
of all nations to load & unload in, (also)
exemption for imports or exports: close
~ (lying up river); CINQUE PORTS: ~
admiral (in command of naval ~). [OE,
f. L *portus*]

pórt², n. || Gate, gateway, esp. of walled
town (chiefly Sc.); (Naut.) opening in
side of ship for entrance, loading, etc.,
(also) ~-hole; (Mech.) aperture for pas-
sage of steam, water, etc.; curved mouth-
piece of some bridle-bits; ~-hole, aperture
in ship's side for admission of light & air,

or (formerly) for pointing cannon through. [f. F *porte* f. L *porta* gate]

port², n. External deportment, carriage, bearing; (Mil.) position taken in porting arms. [F, as foll.]

port³, v.t. (mil.). Carry (rifle, or other weapon) diagonally across & close to the body, with barrel etc. opposite middle of left shoulder, esp. ~ *arms!* [f. F *porter* f. L *portare* carry]

port⁴, n., & v.t. & i. (naut.). 1. (Also formerly *larboard*) left-hand side of ship looking forward (cf. STARBOARD), as *put the helm to ~* or *a ~*; (attrib.) *on your ~* (left) bow etc. 2. v.t. Turn (helm, or abs.) to left side of ship; (v.i., of ship) turn to her ~ side. [etym. dub.; perh. f. PORT¹; vb earlier than n.]

port⁵, n. Strong sweet dark-red (occas. white) wine of Portugal. [shortened f. *Oporto*, city of Portugal]

port⁶, a. & n. Movable (article), convenient for carrying, as ~ *furnace*, *radio*. Hence **portability** n. [F, f. L *portabilis* (*portare* carry, -BLE)]

port⁷, a. n. & v.t. 1. Carrying, carriage; cost of this; *mariner's ~*, space allowed to mariner for own venture or to be let by him for freight in lieu of wages; carrying of boats or goods between two navigable waters, place at which this is necessary. 2. v.t. Convey (boat, goods) over a ~. [F, as PORT⁴, see -AGE]

port⁸, a. n. Doorway, gate(way), esp. elaborate one. [obs. F, f. med. L *portale* neut. adj. as n. (*porta* gate, see -AL)]

port⁹, a. (anat.). Of the *porta* or transverse fissure of the liver, as ~ *vein* (conveying blood to liver). [f. med. L *portalis* as prec.]

portantéu¹⁰, n. (mus.). Gliding continuously from one pitch to another. [It.]

port¹¹, a. Serving to carry or support. [F (-if, -ive), f. L *portare* carry, see -IVE]

portcùil¹², n. Strong heavy grating sliding up & down in vertical grooves at sides of gateway in fortress etc. Hence ~ED² (-st) a. [f. OF *porte coleice* sliding door (*porte* door f. L *porta*, see COULISSE)]

Porte, n. *The (Sublime or Ottoman) ~* (hist.), Ottoman court at Constantinople, Turkish government to 1923. [F (*la Sublime* ~), transl. of Turk. title of central office of Ottoman government]

porte- in comb. = F *porte-* imperat. of *porter* carry in wds meaning 'case', 'holder', as: *port(e)-cray/on*, metal tube or other holder for crayon; ~ *seuille* (-fū'ye), portfolio; ~ *monnaie* (-moné'), flat leatheren purse or pocket-book.

porte-corchère (pörtkoshär'), n. Gateway & passage for vehicles through house into courtyard. [F]

pörténd, v.t. Foreshow, foreshadow, as an omen; give warning of, as *this ~s a renewal of the conflict*. [f. L *portendere* -lent- (*por-* PRO- + *tendere* stretch)]

pört'ant, n. Omen, significant sign; prodigy, marvellous thing. So **pörtén'tous** a., **pörtén'tously** adv. [f. L *portentum* as prec.]

|| **pört'er¹**, n. Gate-keeper, door-keeper. [ME & AF, f. LL *portarius* (*porta* door, see -ER²)]

pört'er², n. 1. Person employed to carry burdens, esp. servant of railway company who handles luggage, whence ~AGE (4) n. 2. Dark-brown bitter beer brewed from charred or browned malt [perh. orig. made esp. for ~s]. 3. *~*house*, house at which ~ etc. were retailed, (also) one where steaks, chops, etc., were served (~*house steak*, choice cut of beef from region of underent); || ~s *knof*, pad resting on shoulders & secured to forehead used by ~s in carrying loads. [f. OF *porteur* f. L *portatorem* (*portare* carry, see -OR²)]

pört'fire, n. Device for firing rockets, igniting explosives in mining, etc. [f. PORTE- + FIRE]

pörtföli'ö, n. (pl. ~s). Case for keeping loose sheets of paper, drawings, etc.; (fig.) office of minister of State. [f. It. *portafogli* (*porta* imperat. of *portare* carry + *foglio* leaf f. L *folium*)]

pört'icö, n. (pl. ~s). Colonnade, roof supported by columns at regular intervals, usu. attached as porch to a building. [It., f. L *porticus* (*porta* door)]

portiére (pörtiär'), n. Curtain hung over doorway. [F, f. med. L *portaria* fem. adj. as n. (*porta* door, see -ARY¹)]

port'ion, n., & v.t. 1. Part, share; (in restaurants) amount of a dish served to a customer; dowry, whence ~LESS (-sho-) a.; one's destiny, one's lot; a ~, some (of anything). 2. v.t. Divide (thing) into shares, distribute out assign (thing to person) as share; give dowry to. [(vb f. F *portionner*) f. OF *porcion* f. L *portionem* (nom. -io) cogn. w. *pars* PART]

Pört'land, n. (Used for) ~ prison; ~ cement, artificial cement manufactured from chalk and clay, in colour rather like ~ stone, a valuable building limestone obtained from the Isle of ~. [Dorsetshire peninsula]

pört'ly, a. Bulky, corpulent; of stately appearance. Hence ~INESS n. [PORT², -LY¹]

pörtmân'teau (-tö), n. (pl. ~s, ~x, pr. -z). || Leather trunk for clothes etc. opening into two equal parts; (fig.) facetious word blending the sounds & combining the meanings of two others (e.g. *slithy* = lithe & slimy). [f. F PORTE-(*manteau* MANTLE)]

pörtola'nö (-lah-), n. (hist.). Book of sailing directions with description of harbours etc. [f. It. (*porto* PORT¹)]

pört'rait (-rit), n. Likeness of person or animal made by drawing, painting, photography, etc.; (fig.) type, similitude; verbal picture, graphic description. [F, p.p. as PORTRAY]

port'raitist (-rit-), n. One who paints or takes portraits. [-IST]

port'raiture (-richer), n. Portraying; portrait; graphic description. [OF (POR-TRAIT + -URE)]

portray, v.t. Make likeness of; describe graphically. Hence ~AL(2) n. [f. OF *pourtraire* f. L *pro(trahere tract- draw)*]

port'reeve, n. (Hist.) chief officer of town or borough; (now) officer inferior to mayor in some towns. [OE *port-geréfa* (*port* town, =PORT¹ or ² + *reeve*¹)

port'rèss, n. Female PORTER¹. [-ESS¹]

Portuguese (-gèz), a. & n. (pl. same). (Native, language) of Portugal. [f. Port. *português* f. med. L *portugalisensis* (see -ESE)]

pose¹ (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Lay down (assertion, claim, etc.); propound (question); place (artist's model etc.) in certain attitude; assume an attitude, esp. for artistic purposes; set up, give oneself out, as (connoisseur etc.); (Dominoes) place first domino on table. 2. n. Attitude of body or mind, esp. one assumed for effect, as *his philanthropy is a mere ~*; (Dominoes) posing, right to ~. [(n. f. F *pose*) f. F *poser* f. L *ponere* PAUSE; some senses by confus. w. L *ponere* place, cf. COMPOSE]

pose² (-z), v.t. Puzzle (person) with question or problem. [short for OPPOSE]

pos'er (-z-), n. In vbl senses of prec., esp. puzzling question or problem. [-ER¹]

poseur (-zèr, & see Ap.), n. Affected person. [F]

|| **pôsh**, a. (sl.). Smart, tiptop. [?]

pos'it (-z-) v.t. Assume as fact, postulate; put in position, place, as ~ed by *natural agency*. [f. L *ponere* posit- place]

pos'ition (-z-), n., & v.t. 1. Proposition, laying down of this. 2. Bodily posture; *eastward ~* (of priest at eucharist standing in front of altar & facing east). 3. Mental attitude, way of looking at question.

4. Place occupied by a thing; *in, out of, ~* (proper place); (Mil.) place where troops are posted for strategical purposes (*the ~ was stormed*), the being advantageously placed (*manœuvring for ~*); *in a ~ to do, state, etc.*, enabled by circumstances or resources or information to. 5. Situation of vowel in syllable, esp. (Gk & L Pros.) of short vowel before two consonants, making the vowel metrically long. 6. (fig.). Situation in relation to other persons or things, as *difficult for a person in my ~*.

7. Rank, status, (*people of ~*, esp. upper & upper-middle classes); official employment. 8. v.t. Place in ~, determine ~ of; (Mil.) place or post (troops). Hence ~AL (-sisho-) a. [F, f. L *positionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

pos'itive (-z-), a. & n. 1. Formally laid down, artificially instituted, (opp. to *natural*), as ~ *laws*. 2. Explicitly laid down, definite, admitting no question, as ~ *assertion, have no ~ proof, here is proof*

~. 3. (Of person) convinced, confident in opinion, cocksure. 4. (Gram.) ~ (*degree of*) *adjective*, primary form expressing simple quality without comparison (cf. COMPARATIVE, SUPERLATIVE). 5. Absolute, not relative; (colloq.) downright, out-&-out, as *he is a ~ nuisance*. 6. Dealing only with matters of fact, practical, as ~ *philosophy*. 7. Marked by presence, not absence, of qualities (cf. NEGATIVE). 8. (Alg., of quantity) greater than zero (cf. NEGATIVE), ~ *sign* (+); tending in the direction naturally or arbitrarily taken as that of increase or progress, as *clockwise rotation is ~*. 9. ~ *electricity* (of the kind produced by rubbing glass with silk, vitreous); ~ *pole*, (of magnet) north-seeking pole, (of earth) south pole. 10. (Photog.) showing lights & shades as seen in nature. 11. ~ *organ*, small (orig. portable) organ used to supplement large one in church. 12. n. ~ degree, adjective, quantity, etc. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **positiv'ity**, nn., (-z-). [F (-if, -ive), f. L *positivus* (as POSIT, see -IVE)]

pos'itiv'ism (-z-), n. Philosophical system of Auguste Comte, recognizing only positive facts & observable phenomena; religious system founded on this. So ~IST n., ~is'tic a. [f. F *positivisme* (as prec., see -ISM)]

pos'itron (-z-), n. A positive electron. [POSITIVE ELEC]TRON]

posol'ogy, n. Study of the quantities in which drugs should be administered; (Bentham's word for) mathematics. Hence **posol'ogical** a. [f. F *posologie* f. Gk *posos* how great, see -LOGY]

pos'sè, n. Body (of constables); strong force or company; ~ *comital'us*, body of men above age of 15 in a county, whom sheriff may summon to repress riot etc.; IN³ ~. [L, =to be able, (med. L) power]

possess' (-z-), v.t. Hold as property, own; have (faculty, quality, etc.), as *they ~ a special value for us*; maintain (one-self, one's mind, soul, in patience etc.); (of demon or spirit) occupy, dominate, (person etc.), as ~ed by *a devil, you are surely ~ed*, (fig.) *he is ~ed by or with this idea, what ~es you to think of such a thing?*; **like all ~ed*, with the utmost vehemence or energy; ~ oneself of, take, get for one's own; be ~ed of, own, have. So ~OR² n., ~ORY a., (-zès-). [f. OF *possessi*(er) f. L *possidere* -sess- (*port- towards + sedère sit)]

posse'ssion (-zèshn), n. Possessing; actual holding or occupancy; (Law) visible power of exercising such control as attaches to (but may exist apart from) lawful ownership; *in ~*, (of thing) possessed, (of person) possessing; ~ *is nine points of the law*; *in ~ of*, having in one's ~ (*am in ~ of a fine specimen*); *in the ~ of*, held by (*the specimen is in the ~ of the present writer*); *rejoice in the ~ of*, be so

fortunate as to possess; thing possessed; (pl.) property, wealth; subject territory, esp. foreign dominions; **SELF-**. [OF, f. *L. possessionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

possess'ive (poz-), a. & n. 1. Of possession; (Gram.) indicating possession, as ~ *pronoun* (e.g. *my, mine, his, ours*), ~ *case* (e.g. *John's, the baker's*). 2. n. ~ case or word. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. *L. possessivus* (as POSSESS, see -IVE)]

poss'et, n. Drink made of hot milk curdled with ale, wine, etc., often flavoured with spices etc., formerly much used as remedy for colds etc. [ME *poskote*, etym. dub.]

possib'list, n. Member of (esp. Spanish republican or French socialist) political party aiming at those reforms only that are immediately practicable. [f. F *possibiliste* (as POSSIBLE, see -IST)]

possibil'it'y, n. State, fact, of being possible, as the ~y of miracles, cannot by any ~y be in time, there is no ~y of his coming, it is within the range of ~y; thing that may exist or happen, as what are the ~ies?, there are three ~ies. [f. F *possibilité* f. *L. possibilitatem* (POSSIBLE, -TY)]

poss'ible, a. & n. 1. That can exist, be done, or happen, as that is quite ~, it is scarcely ~ to say, it is ~ (that) he knows or may know, there are three ~ excuses (that may be made), provide against a ~ loss of men (that may occur), get all the assistance ~; come if (it is) ~, come as early as ~ (as you can); tolerable to deal with, reasonable, intelligible, etc., as only one ~ man among them. 2. n. Highest ~ score esp. in rifle practice, as scored a ~ at 800 yds; ~ candidate, member of team, etc. (as in *P~s v. Probables*, teams for football etc. trial match); do one's ~, do all one can (imit. of F *faire son ~*). [F, f. *L. possibilis* (posse be able, -BLE)]

poss'ibly, adv. In accordance with possibility, as cannot ~ do it, how can I ~?; perhaps, maybe, for all one knows to the contrary. [f. prec. + -LY²]

poss'um, n. (colloq.). = **PROSUM**; play ~, pretend to be ill (from ~s habit of feigning death when attacked). [abbr.]

pōst¹, n., & v.t. 1. Stout piece of timber usu. cylindrical or square & of considerable length placed vertically as support in building; stake, stout pole, for various purposes; **BD**¹, **DOOR**, **GOAL**, **KING**¹, **LAMP**, **SIGN**¹, ~; starting, winning, ~, ~ that marks starting, finishing, point in race. 2. Thick compact stratum of sandstone etc.; vertical mass of coal left as support in mine. 3. v.t. Stick (paper etc., usu. up) to ~ or in prominent place, advertise (fact, thing, person) by placard; || (in colleges) place in list that is ~ed up the names of (unsuccessful students); publish name of (ship) as overdue or missing; placard (wall etc.) with bills. [(vb f. n.) OE, f. *L. postia*]

pōst², n. & adv. 1. (hist.). One of a series

of men stationed with horses along roads at intervals, the duty of each being to ride forward with letters to next stage; courier, letter-carrier, mail-cart. 2. || A single dispatch of letters, letters so dispatched; letters taken from ~office or pillar-box on one occasion, as *I missed the morning ~*; || letters delivered at one house on one occasion, as *the ~ has come, had a heavy ~ today*; || official conveyance of letters, parcels, etc., as *send it by ~*; **GENERAL**, **PARCEL**, **PENNY**, ~; ~office or postal letter-box, as *take it to the ~*; by return of ~, (orig.) by same courier who brought the dispatch, (now) by next mail in opposite direction. 3. (As title of newspaper) *Evening P~* etc. 4. Sizes (about 20×16 in.) & kinds of writing-paper. 5. adv. With ~horses, express, with haste, as *ride ~*. 6. || ~bag, mail-bag; || ~boat, mail-boat, (also) boat conveying travellers between certain points; || ~boy, letter-carrier, (also) postilion; || ~card, card of regulation size for conveyance by ~; ~chaise (-sh-), (Hist.) travelling carriage hired from stage to stage or drawn by horses so hired; || ~free, carried free of charge by ~, or with postage prepaid; ~haste', n. (arch.) & adv., (with) great expedition; ~horse (kept at inns etc. for use of ~ or travellers); ~man, one who delivers or collects letters etc.; ~mark, (n.) official mark stamped on letter, esp. one giving place, date, & hour, of dispatch or arrival, & serving to cancel stamp, (v.t.) mark (envelope etc.) with this; ~master¹, official in charge of a ~office, *P~master General*, minister at head of the postal service; ~mastership, office of ~master; ~mistress, woman in charge of ~office; ~office, public department for conveyance of letters etc. by ~, house or shop where postal business is carried on (**GENERAL P~Office**; ~office **ORDER**, *savings-bank*, see **SAVE**¹); ~paid, on which postage has been paid; ~town (with ~office, esp. one that is not sub-office of another). [f. F *poste* fem. f. It. f. *L.L. posta* = *posita* fem. p.p. of *ponere* posit-place]

pōst³, v.i. & t. || Travel with relays of horses; travel with haste, hurry; || put (letter etc.) into post-office or letter-box for transmission; (Book-keep.) carry (entry) from auxiliary book to more formal one, esp. from day-book or journal to ledger, (also ~ up) complete (ledger etc.) thus, (fig., also ~ up) supply (person) with full information. [f. prec.]

pōst⁴, n., & v.t. 1. Place where soldier is stationed, (fig.) place of duty; position taken by body of soldiers, force occupying this; fort. 2. (Also *trading*~) place occupied for purposes of trade esp. in uncivilized country. 3. Situation, employment. 4. (Naval, hist.) commission as

officer in command of vessel of 20 guns or more; || ~ *captain*, holder of such commission (not of courtesy title or inferior command). 5. (Mil.) *first, last*, ~, bugle-call giving notice of hour of retiring for night (*last* ~ also blown at mil. funerals). 6. v.t. Place, station, (soldiers etc.); || (Mil., Nav.) appoint to a ~ or command. [vb f. n.] f. F *poste* masc. f. It. *posto* f. L neut. p.p. as *POST*²]

pōst- in comb. = L *post* after, behind, in wds f. L; & as living E prefix, as: ~*classical*, occurring later than the classical period of (esp. Greek & Roman) language, literature, or art; ~*commun'ion*, part of eucharistic office following act of communion; ~*cos'tal*, behind a rib; ~*date'*, (v.t.) affix, assign, a later than the actual date to (document, event, etc.), (n., ~*date*) such date; ~*diluv'ian*, a. & n., (person) existing, occurring, after the Flood; ~*en'try*, late or subsequent entry (for race, in book-keeping, etc.); ~*exil'tan*, ~*exil'ic*, subsequent to the Babylonian exile; ~*fix'*, (v.t.) append (letters) at end of word, (n., ~*fix*) suffix; ~*glu'cial*, subsequent to the glacial period; ~*grad'uate*, (of course of study) carried on after graduation; ~*impre'ssionism*, artistic aims & methods (so named as a reaction from IMPRESSIONISM) directed to expressing rather the individual artist's than the ordinary observer's presumable conception of the objects represented; ~*lude*, concluding voluntary [after PRELUDE]; ~*millenn'ial*, of the period following the millennium; ~*millenn'ialism*, doctrine that second Advent will follow the millennium, so ~*millenn'ialist* n.; ~*nul'al*, occurring after birth; ~*nup'tial*, subsequent to marriage; ~*or'al*, situated behind the mouth; ~*pli'ocene*, of the formation immediately overlying the pliocene; ~*ter'tiary*, of the formations subsequent to the tertiary.

pōs'tage, n. Amount charged for carriage of letter etc. by post, now usu. prepaid by ~ *stamp*, adhesive label to be affixed, or stamp embossed or impressed on envelope etc., having specified value. [-AGE]

pōs'tal, a. Of the *POST*²; ~ *ORDER*⁽³⁾; ~ *union*, union of governments of various countries for regulation of international postage. [F (*poste* *POST*², see -AL)]

pōsteen', n. Afghan sheepskin greatcoat. [Pers. *postin*]

pōs'ter, n. (Also *bill*~) one who posts bills; placard displayed in public place; (Rugby fthb.) attempt at goal that passes straight over a post. [*POST*¹, -ER¹]

pōste réstante' (-tah-, & see Ap.), n. Department in post-office in which letters are kept till applied for. [F, prop. = remaining post]

pōstér'ior, a. & n. 1. Later, coming after in series, order, or time, so ~*ITY* (-ō'r-) n.;

hinder, whence ~*LY*² adv., as viewed from behind. 2. n. (in sing., or arch. in pl.). The buttocks. [L, compar. of *posterus* (*post* after)]

pōsté'rity, n. The descendants of any person; all succeeding generations, as *deserves the gratitude of* ~. [f. F *postérité* f. L *posteritatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

pōs'tern, n. (arch.). Back door; side way or entrance: (attrib.) ~ *door, gate*. [f. OF *posterne*, -rie, f. LL *posterula* dim. f. *posterus* coming after (*post*)]

pōst hōc ērg'ō prōp'ter hōc, L phr. (after this, therefore on account of this) ridiculing the tendency to confuse sequence with consequence.

pōst'humous (-tū-), a. (Of child) born after death of its father; (of book etc.) published after author's death; occurring after death. Hence ~*LY*¹ adv. [f. L *postumus* last (*post* after), in LL *posth-* by assoc. w. *humus* ground, + -OUS]

pōstiche' (-ēsh), n. & a. 1. Something added after the completion of a work (esp. a superfluous or unsuitable addition to sculpture or architectural work); (shop) coil of false hair, false front. 2. adj. Counterfeit, artificial. [F, = false f. It. *posticchio*]

pōstic'ous, a. (bot.). Posterior, hinder. [f. L *posticus* (*post* behind) + -OUS]

pōs'til, n. (hist.). Marginal note, comment, esp. on text of Scripture; commentary. [f. F *postille* f. med. L *postilla* etym. dub.]

postil'ion, -llion, (-lyon), n. One who rides the near horse of the leaders, or near horse when one pair only is used & there is no driver on box. [f. F *postillon* f. It. *postiglione* (*posta* *POST*² + compd suf.)]

pōstilm'iny, n. (Rom. Law) right of banished person or captive to resume civic privileges on return; (Internat. Law) restoration to their former state of persons & things taken in war, when they come again into the power of the nation they belonged to. [f. L *postliminium* f. *limen* -*minis* threshold)]

pōst'master¹ (-mah-), n. See *POST*².

|| **pōst'master**² (-mah-), n. Scholar of Merton College, Oxford. Hence ~*SHIP* n. [1]

pōst mērid'ēm, adv. (usu. abbr. *p.m.*, pr. pē ēm). After midday, as 3.30 p.m. [L]

pōst mōrt'ēm, adv., **pōst-mōrt'ēm**, a. & n. After death; (examination) made after death. [L]

pōst-ōb'it, a. & n. 1. Taking effect after death. 2. n. Bond securing to lender a sum to be paid on death of specified person from whom borrower has expectations. [f. L *post* after + *obitus* -*us* decease f. ob(ire go) die]

pōstpōne' (or po-), v.t. & i. Put off, defer; treat (thing) as inferior in importance (to

another); (intr., Path., of ague etc.) be later in coming on. Hence ~MENT (-nm-) n. [f. L. POST (*ponere posit-* place)]

pōstposi'tion (-z-), n. Particle, word, placed after another, usu. as enclitic, (e.g. ~wards). Hence ~AL, **pōstpōs'i'tive**, aa., (-z-). [as prec., see -ION]

pōstprān'dial, a. (usu. joc.). After-dinner, as ~ oratory, eloquence. [f. POST + L. *prandium* lunch + ~AL]

pōst'script (or pōsk-), n. (abbr. P.S.). Additional paragraph esp. at end of letter after signature; || talk at the end of some B.B.C. news bulletins. [f. L. *postscriptum* neut. p.p. of POST(*scribere* write)]

pōs'tulant, n. Candidate esp. for admission into religious order. [F (as foll., see -ANT)]

pōs'tulate¹, n. Thing claimed or assumed as basis of reasoning, fundamental condition; pre-requisite; (Geom.) claim to take for granted the possibility of simple operation, e.g. of drawing straight line between any two points. [as foll., see -ATE²]

pōs'tūllāte², v.t. & i. Demand, require, claim, take for granted (thing, *that, to do*); stipulate for; (Ecccl. Law) nominate or elect subject to superior sanction. So ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. L. *postulare* demand, -ATE³]

pōs'ture¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Carriage, attitude of body or mind; condition, state, (of affairs etc.); ~-maker, acrobat, contortionist; ~-master, teacher of callisthenics. 2. v.b. Dispose the limbs of (person) in particular way; assume ~c (lit. & fig.). Hence ~AL a., ~ER¹ n. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L. *positura* (*ponere posit-* place, see -URE)]

pōs'y (-z-), n. (arch.). Short motto, line of verse etc., inscribed within ring (~ring) etc.; noscay. [= POESY]

pōt¹, n. 1. Rounded vessel of earthenware, metal, or glass, for holding liquids or solids, as GLUE, ink, jam, WATER²ing, ~; such vessel for cooking; drinking-vessel of pewter etc.; contents of ~, as a ~ of porter, honey; COFFEE~, ~; TEA~; (also, childish, pō) = CHAMBER~; = FLOWER~; vessel, usu. of silver, as prize in athletic sports, (sl.) any prize in these. 2. ~ paper or ~ (also *potl*), writing or printing paper 15½ in. x 12¼, named from the orig. watermark of a ~. 3. LONSTER~; CHIMNEY~. 4. Large sum, as made a ~ or ~s of money; (Racing sl.) large sum staked or betted, as *put the ~ on*, || (also) favourite. 5. Big ~, important person; *the ~ calls the kettle black*, person blames another for fault he too has; *go to ~* (vulg.), be ruined or destroyed; *make the ~ boil*, make a living; *keep the ~ boiling*, make a living, keep anything going briskly; *watched ~ never boils* (proverb against worrying). 6. ~ ale, completely fermented wash in distillation; ~belly, (person with) protuberant

belly; ~-boiler, work of literature or art done merely to make a living, writer or artist who does this; ~bound, (of plant) whose roots fill flower-~ & want room to expand (also fig.); ~boy, ~man, publican's assistant; ~ hat, bowler; ~herb, any of those grown in kitchen-garden; ~hole, (Geol.), deep cylindrical hole worn in rock, depression in road surface caused by traffic etc.; ~hook, hook over fireplace for hanging ~ etc. on or for lifting hot ~, curved stroke in handwriting esp. as made in learning to write (cf. HANGER²); ~house, ale-house; ~hunter, sportsman who shoots anything he comes across, || person who takes part in contest merely for sake of prize, so ~hunting n. & a.; ~lead, black-lead esp. as used for hull of racing-yacht; ~luck, whatever is to be had for a meal, as *come & take ~ luck with us*; ~metal, stained glass coloured in melting ~ so that the colour pervades the whole; ~shot, shot taken at game merely to provide a meal, shot aimed at animal etc. within easy reach; ~still, kind of STILL² (opp. *patent still*) in which heat is applied directly & not by steam-jacket; ~stone, granular variety of soapstone; ~valiant, valiant because drunk, so ~valour; ~wall(oper), householder voter (before 1832), (Naut., ~walloper) cook's assistant [f. *wall(oper)* boll]. Hence ~FUL n. [late OE *potl*, cf. Du. *pot*, G. *potl*, F. *pot*, perh. cogn. w. L. *potus* drinking]

pōt², v.t. & i. (-tt-). Place (butter, fish, minced meat, etc., usu. salted or seasoned) in pot or other vessel to preserve it (esp. in p.p., as ~ed ham); plant (plant) in pot; (Billiards) pocket; bag (game), kill (animal) by pot-shot; (intr.) shoot (*at*, or abs.); seize, secure. [f. prec.]

pōt'able, a. & n. (usu. joc.). Drinkable; (n. pl.) drinkables. [F, f. LL *potabilis* (*potare* drink, see -BLE)]

pōtām'ic, a. Of rivers. So **pōtāmōl'ogy** n. [f. Gk *potamos* river + -IC]

pōt'ash, (arch.) **potāss'** (or pōt'), n. An alkaline substance, crude form of potassium carbonate, orig. got by lixiviating vegetable ashes & evaporating the solution in iron pots; *caustic* ~, hydroxide or hydrate of potassium; **PERMANGANATE** of ~; ~water, an aerated drink. [early mod. E *pot-ashes*, prob. f. Du. *pot-assen*]

pōtāss'ium, n. Soft white metallic element, one of the alkali metals, used mainly in compounds; ~cyanide, white soluble crystalline salt, extremely poisonous; ~PERMANGANATE. Hence **pōtāss'io** a. [-IUM]

pōtā'tion, n. Drinking; (usu. pl.) tipping; draught. So **pōt'atory** a. [OF, f. L. *potationem* (*potare* drink, see -ATION)]

pōtāt'ō, n. (pl. ~es). Plant with farinaceous tubers used for food; its tuber; *sweet*, *Spanish*, ~, tropical plant with

tuberous roots used for food; ~es & POINT¹; (sl.) *quite the ~* (proper thing); (sl.) ~box, ~trap, mouth; ~ring, Irish (usu. silver) ring used as stand for bowl etc. [f. Sp. *palata* var. of native Amer. *batata*]

poteen', -theen', n. Irish whiskey from illicit still. [f. Ir. *potlin* dim. of *pota* pot] **pôt'ent**, a. (Chiefly poet. or rhet.) powerful, mighty; (of reasons etc.) cogent; (of drugs etc.) strong. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently² adv. [f. L *potens* part. of *posse* be able]

pôt'entâte, n. Monarch, ruler. [f. L *potentatus* -ûs (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

poten'tial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Capable of coming into being or action, latent; (Med.) ~ *cautery*, *corrosive* (agent producing same effect on skin as an actual one); (Gram.) ~ *mood*, subjunctive expressing possibility; (Electr.) ~ *difference*, difference in electric ~, usu. expressed in volts, between two separate bodies or points on a conductor, being properly the work done when a unit charge is moved from one to the other; ~ *energy* (existing in ~ form, not as motion); (rare) powerful. 2. n. ~ *mood*; (Electr.) degree of electrification, electrical pressure; possibility, as *reached its highest ~*; possible resources. Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-shîl) n., ~LY² (-sha-) adv. [f. LL *potentialis* (*potentia*, as POTENT, see -AL)]

poten'tialize (-sha-), v.t. Make potential; convert (energy) into potential condition. [-IZE]

poten'tiâte (-shi-), v.t. Endow with power; make possible. [f. L as foll. + -ATE²]

potentiô'm'êter (-shi-), n. Instrument for measuring or adjusting electrical potential. [f. L *potentia* power (POTENT) + -O + -METER]

potheen. See POTEEN.

poth'er (pôdh-, pôdh-), n., & v.t. & i. Choking smoke or cloud of dust; noise, din; verbal commotion, as *made a ~ about it*; display of sorrow; (v.t.) fluster, worry; (v.i.) make a fuss. [etym. dub.; prob. not connected w. *powder*]

potichomân'ia (-sh-), n. (Craze for) imitation of Japanese porcelain by covering inner surface of glass vessels with designs on paper etc. [f. F *potichomanie* (*potiche* oriental porcelain, see -MANIA)]

pô'tion, n. Dose, draught, of liquid medicine or of poison. [OF, f. L *potiōnem* (*potus* drunk, see -ION)]

pôt'tâch, -lâch(e), n. Tribal feast of N.-Amer. Indians given by aspirant to chiefship. [native]

pot-pourri (pôpôrré'), n. Mixture of dried petals & spices kept in jar for its perfume; musical or literary medley. [F, lit. rotten pot]

|| **pôt'sherd**, n. (arch.). Broken piece of earthenware. [POT¹ + SHERD]

pôt't, n. Var. of POT¹ as applied to paper.

|| **pôt't'age**, n. (arch.). Soup, stew; (fig.) MESS¹ of ~. [f. F *potage* (POT¹ + -AGE)]

pôt't'er¹, n. Maker of earthenware vessels; ~'s *wheel*, horizontal revolving disk in ~'s *lathe* (machine for moulding clay); ~'s *asthma*, *bronchitis*, etc. (caused by dust in the pottery industry). [OE *pot-tere* (-ER¹)]

pôt't'er², v.i. & t. Work in feeble or desultory manner (*at, in*, subject or occupation); dawdle, loiter, (*about* etc.); trifle away (one's time etc.). [prob. f. obs. *poſe* push, OE *potian*, etym. dub., + -ER²]

pôt't'er³, n. Earthenware; potter's work or workshop; || *the P-ries*, district in N. Staffordshire, seat of ~y industry. [f. F *poterie* (POT¹, -ERY)]

pôt'tle, n. || (Arch.) measure for liquids, half gallon, pot etc. containing this; small wicker or chip basket for strawberries etc. [ME & OF *potel* (POT¹, see -ER)]

pôt'tô, n. (pl. ~s). W.-Afr. lemur; kinkajou. [native]

pôt't'y, a. (sl.). Insignificant, trivial, (often ~ *little*; ~ *little State*, details; ~ *questions* in examination paper, easy to answer); foolish, crazy, mad about (someone or something). [?]

pouch¹, n. Small bag or detachable outside pocket; (arch.) purse; soldier's leathern ammunition bag; bag-like receptacle of marsupials etc.; bag-like cavity, esp. seed-vessel, in plant. Hence ~ED² (-cht), ~Y², aa. [f. ONF *pouche* = OF *poche* POKE¹]

pouch², v.t. & i. Put into pouch; take possession of, pocket; || (sl.) give money to, tip; make (part of dress) hang like pouch, (intr., of such part) hang thus. [f. prec.]

poudrêtte' (pôû-), n. Manure of night-soil mixed with charcoal etc. [F, dim. of *poudre* POWDER]

pouf(fe) (pôôf), n. Woman's high roll or pad of hair; large cushion used as low seat; soft stuffed couch. [F]

poulp(e) (pôû-), n. Octopus or other cephalopod. [F (-pe), as POLYPUS]

poult (pôlt), n. Young of domestic fowl, turkey, pheasant, etc. [as PULLET]

poult-de-soie (pôôdeswah'), n. Fine corded (now usu. coloured) silk. [F, etym. dub.]

poul'ter (pôl-), n. Dealer in poultry. [f. earlier *poulter* (still in City Company's name) f. OF *pouletier* (as PULLET, see -ER²) + -ER¹]

poul'tice (pôl-), n., & v.t. 1. Soft mass of bread, linseed, etc., usu. made with boiling water & spread on muslin etc. & applied to sore or inflamed part. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to. [ult. f. L *puls* -itis thick pap etc.]

poul'try (pôl-), n. Domestic fowls, e.g. barn-door fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys. [f. OF *pouletrie* (as PULLET, see -ERY)]

pounce¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Claw, talon, of bird of prey; pouncing, sudden swoop,

esp. *make a ~*. 2. v.t. Swoop down upon & seize; (v.i.) make sudden attack upon, (fig.) seize eagerly upon (blunder etc.). [?] **pounce**², n., & v.t. 1. Fine powder used to prevent ink from spreading on unsized paper etc.; powdered charcoal etc. dusted over perforated pattern to transfer design to object beneath. 2. v.t. Smooth (paper, surface of hat, etc.) with pumice or ~, transfer (design) by use of ~, dust (pattern) with ~. [(vb f. F *poncer*) f. F *ponce* PUMICE]

poun cēt-bōx, n. (arch.). Small box with perforated lid for perfumes. [In Shakespeare; f. prec., hist. unexpl.] **pound**¹, n., & v.l. 1. (Abbr. *lb.* = *L libra*) measure of weight, 16 oz avoirdupois, 12 oz Troy; ~ of flesh (see Shak. *Merchant of Venice*, IV. i); (also ~ sterling) a money of account, 20 shillings, formerly represented by gold sovereign, as five ~s (written £5 or 5l.), five ~ ten (shillings); (Hist.) ~ Scots, 1s. 8d.; pay 5s. in the ~ (for each ~ owing); PENNY wise & ~ foolish; ~, five~, note, bank-note for one ~, five ~s; ~cake, rich cake containing a ~ (or equal weight) of each of chief ingredients; ~day (on which a charity etc. receives contributions from all comers of a ~ of anything, e.g. £1, 1lb. of tea, etc.). 2. v.i. || Test the weight of coins by weighing the number that ought to weigh a ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *pund*, cf. Du. *pond*, G *pfund*, f. L *pondo* ~ weight, orig. abl. of **pondus* -di = *pondus* -eris weight]

pound², n., & v.t. 1. Enclosure for detention of stray cattle or of distrained cattle or goods till redeemed; enclosure for animals: (fig.) place of confinement, (Hunt.) difficult position; ~lock (with two gates, opp. *flash-lock* with one). 2. v.t. Shut (cattle etc., often up) in ~; (Hunt.) ~ the field, (of barrier) be impassable, (of rider) clear fence that others cannot. [(vb f. n.) OE *pund*(fold), etym. dub.] **pound**³, v.t. & i. Crush, bruise, as with pestle; thump, pummel, with fists etc.; knock, beat, (thing to pieces, into a jelly, etc.); deliver heavy blows, fire heavy shot, (at, on, away at); walk, run, ride, make one's way, heavily (along etc.). [OE *pūnian*, cf. LG *pūn* chips of stone, Du. *puin* rubbish] **pound** age, n. Commission, fee, of so much per pound sterling; percentage of total earnings of a business, paid as wages; payment of so much per pound weight; TONNAGE & ~. [-AGE]

pound er¹, n. In vbl senses, esp. instrument for pounding with or in, pestle, mortar. [POUND² + -ER¹] **pound** er², n. Thing that, gun carrying shot that, weighs a pound or (~) so many pounds, as a three~; (~) thing worth, person possessing, so many pounds sterling. [POUND¹ + -ER¹]

pour (pōr), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cause (liquid, granular substance, light, etc.) to flow, discharge copiously, as ~ hot water over it, ~ out the tea, river ~s itself into the sea; ~ oil upon troubled waters, (fig.) calm disturbance with soothing words etc.; ~ cold water on, (fig.) discourage (person, zeal, plan); discharge (missiles, crowd from building, etc., often forth, out) copiously or in rapid succession; send forth or out (words, music, etc.); (intr., of liquids etc.) flow (usu. forth, out, down) in stream, (of rain) descend heavily, whence ~ING² (pōr-) a.; it never rains but it ~s, (fig.) events esp. misfortunes always come together; (fig.) come in, out, etc., abundantly, as letters ~ in from all quarters. 2. n. Heavy fall of rain, downpour; (Found.) amount of molten metal etc. ~ed at a time. [(n. f. vb) ME *pouren*, etym. dub.]

pourboire (poor'boahr'), n. Gratuity, tip. [F. = *pour boire* (money) for drinking] **pourparler** (poor'pālār'), n. (usu. in pl.). Informal discussion preliminary to negotiation. [F]

pourpoint (poor-, pūr-, n. (hist.)). Stuffed & quilted doublet. [OF (*pour-*) p.p. of *pourpointre* perforate (*pour* pre-substituted for *par* PER + *pointre* prick f. L *pungere*)]

poussette (pōō-), v.l., & n. Dance round one another with hands joined, as two couples in country dance; (n.) this action. [(vb f. n.) F, dim. of *pousse* PUSH]

pou stō (pōō), n. Standing-place, basis of operation. [Gk *pou stō* where I may stand]

pout¹, n. Kinds of fish, as *whiting*, *eel*, *horn*, ~. [OE *-puta*, cf. Du. *put*, G *-putte*]

pout², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Protrude (lips), protrude lips, (of lips) protrude, esp. as sign of displeasure, whence ~INGLY² adv. 2. n. Such protrusion; in the ~s, sulky. [(n. f. vb) perh. cogn. w. prec., cf. Da. *pude* cushion, Sw. *puta* pad, dial. *puta* be inflated]

pout'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: kind of pigeon with great power of inflating crop; (also *whiting-pout*) kind of fish. [-ER¹]

pōv'ertý, n. Indigence, want; scarcity, deficiency, (of) deficiency in (a property); inferiority, poorness, meanness; ~-stricken, poor, esp. fig., as a ~-stricken language. [f. OF *poverté* f. L *paupertatem* (as PAUPER, see -TY)]

powd'er, n., & v.t. 1. Mass of dry particles or granules, dust; medicine in the form of ~; cosmetic ~ applied to face, skin, or hair; =GUN~, as *smell of ~*, experience of fighting, FOOD for ~; not worth ~ and shot, not worth shooting, or fighting or striving for; (Games etc.) force put into a blow or stroke (no ~ behind the ball; put more ~ into it). 2. v.t. Sprinkle ~ upon, cover (with ~ etc.); apply ~ to (hair,

or abs. in same sense); decorate (surface) with spots or small figures; (esp. in p.p.) reduce to ~ (red sugar). 3. ~ blue, ~ed small esp. for use in laundry, deep blue colour of this (also attrib.); ~down, down-feathers found in definite patches on some birds; ~flask, case for carrying gun~; ~horn, ~flask orig. & esp. of horn; ~magazine, place where gun~ is stored; ~monkey (hist.), boy employed on board ship to carry ~ to guns; ~ruff, soft pad usu. of down for applying ~ to skin. Hence ~INESS n., ~Y² a. [(vb f. F *poudre*) f. F *poudre* f. OF *potre* f. L *pulvis* -eris]

pow'ér, n. 1. Ability to do or act, as *will do all in my ~, has the ~ of changing its colour*; particular faculty of body or mind, as *taxes his ~s to the utmost, man of varied ~s*. 2. Vigour, energy, as *more ~ to your elbow!* (formula of encouragement or approval). 3. Active property, as *has a high heating ~*. 4. Government, influence, authority, (over); in one's ~, under one's control; personal ascendancy (over); political ascendancy as *the party now in ~*. 5. Authorization, delegated authority, as *a bill to extend & define their ~s*; ~ of ATTORNEY². 6. Influential person, body, or thing, as *the press had not become a ~ in the State; the ~s that be, constituted authorities*; State having international influence. 7. Deity, as *merciful ~s!*; sixth ORDER¹ of angels. 8. (vulg.). Large number or amount, as *saw a ~ of people, did a ~ of work*. 9. (Math.) third, tenth, etc., ~ of a number, product obtained by multiplying the number into itself three, ten, etc., times, as *the third ~ of 2 is 8*. 10. Instrument for applying energy to mechanical purposes, esp. the MECHANICAL ~s. the simple MACHINES. 11. Mechanical energy as opp. to hand-labour, esp. attrib., as ~lathe, ~loom, ~mill; ~station (in which electric ~ is generated for distribution). 12. Capacity for exerting mechanical force, esp. HORSE~-, whence (-)~ED² (-erit) a. 13. Magnifying capacity of lens. 14. ~dive n. & v.i., (of aircraft) dive without shutting off engine(s); ~ politics, diplomacy backed by (the threat of) force. [ME & OF *poer* (vb inf. as n.) f. LL *potere* = I, *posse* be able (*potis*)]

pow'érful, a. Having great (physical or other) power or influence as ~ grasp, horse, mind, ally, book, speech, odour. Hence ~LY² adv. [-FUL]

pow'érless, a. Without power; wholly unable (to help etc.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

pow'wow, pawaw', n., powwow', v.i. & t. 1. N.-Amer.-Indian medicine-man or sorcerer; magic ceremonial, conference, of N.-Amer. Indians; *political or other meeting; ||(sl.) conference of officers during army manoeuvres etc. 2. v.i. Practise medicine or sorcery, hold a ~, *confer,

discuss, (about etc.); (v.t.) doctor, treat with magic. [f. native *powwaw, pawaw*] **pöx**, n. Syphilis (colloq.); CHICKEN~; COOWOX; SMALL~. [=POCK]

poz(s)olans (pötsolah'na, -tswo-), n. Volcanic ash found near Pozzuoli, much used for hydraulic cement. [It.]

praam, see PRAM¹.

practic'able, a. That can be done, feasible; (of road, passage, ford) that can be used or traversed; (Theatr., of windows etc.) real, that can be used as such. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. F *praticable* (*pratiquer* PRACTISE, -ABLE)]

practic'al, a. Of, concerned with, shown in, practice (of. THEORETICAL), as ~ agriculture, philosophy; ~ JOKE²; available, useful, in practice; engaged in practice, practising; inclined to action rather than speculation, as *does not appeal to ~ minds*; that is such in effect though not nominally, virtual, as *a ~ atheist, has ~ control*. Hence ~ITY (-äl), ~NESS, nn. [f. obs. *practic* n. & a. f. obs. F *pratique* f. LL f. Gk *praktikos* (*prassō* do, see -IC) + -AL]

practic'ically, adv. In a practical manner; virtually, almost, (~ nothing). [-LY²]

practic'tice, n. 1. Habitual action or carrying on, as *naval ~, the ~ of advertising, makes a ~ of cheating*; method of legal procedure; habit, custom, (has been the regular ~). 2. Repeated exercise in an art, handicraft, etc., as ~ makes perfect; in, out of, ~ (lately, not lately, practised in thing); is good ~ (improves skill); spell of this (ball, target, ~). 3. Professional work, business, or connexion, of lawyer or doctor, as *has a large ~, sold his ~*. 4. (arch.). Scheming, (usu. underhand) contrivance, artifice, (esp. in pl., & cf. SHARP¹ ~). 5. (Arith.) mode of finding value of given number of articles, or of quantity of commodity at given price, when quantity or price or both are in several denominations. 6. In ~, in the realm of action, as *quite useless, would never work, in ~; put (plan, method) in(to) ~, carry it out*. (earlier *practize* prob. f. PRACTISE, replacing earlier *practic* (as PRACTICAL))

practic'tician (-shn), n. Worker, practitioner. [f. obs. F *praticien* (as PRACTICAL, see -ICIAN)]

practic'tise, v.t. & i. Perform habitually, carry out in action, as ~e the same method, ~e what you preach; exercise, pursue, (profession); ~ing doctor, barrister, etc., engaged in actual practice, not retired nor merely qualified; exercise oneself in or on (art, instrument, or abs.), as ~e the flute, the piano, music, running; exercise (person, oneself, in action or subject), whence ~ED¹ (-st) a.; (arch.) scheme, contrive, as *when first we ~e to deceive; ~e (up)on, impose upon, take advantage of, (person, his credulity etc.)*. [f. OF

*pra(c)tiser, -tiquer, f. med. L. *practicare* (as PRACTICAL)]*

practitioner (-sho-), n. Professional or practical worker, esp. in medicine; *general* ~ (in both medicine & surgery; abbr. G.P.). [erron. f. PRACTICIAN + -ER¹]

prae-, pref., the L form of **PRE-**, kept only in a few wds.

praecocial (-shal), a. (Of birds) whose young can feed themselves as soon as hatched. [as PRECOCIOUS, see -AL]

praemūnir'e, n. (law). Writ charging sheriff to summon person accused of asserting or maintaining papal jurisdiction in England; *Statute of* ~ (of 16th Richard II, on which the writ is based). [med. L. = L *praemūnere* warn, the wds ~ *juvas* warn (so-&-so to appear) occurring in the writ]

praenūm'ēn, n. (Rom. ant.). First or personal name (e.g. *Marcus Tullius Cicero*). [PRAE-, cf. COGNOMEN]

|| **praepōs'tor, pre-**, (prip-), n. (pub. school). = PREFECT, MONITOR. [syncop. f. *praepositor* l. L *prae*(ponere post- place) set over, see -OR²; irreg. altered f. L *p.p. -tus*]

praet'or, n. (Rom. hist.). (Orig.) Roman consul as leader of army; (later) annually elected magistrate performing some duties of consul. Hence **praetōr'ial** a., ~SHIP n. [L, f. *prae*(ire it- go)]

praetōr'ian, pre-, (prit-), a. & n. 1. Of a praetor; of the bodyguard of Roman general or emperor. 2. n. Man of ~ rank, soldier of ~ guard. [f. L *praetorianus* (as prec., see -AN)]

prāgmāt'ic(al), aa. Meddlesome; dogmatic; of pragmatism; (~ic) treating facts of history with reference to their practical lessons; (~ic) of the affairs of a State (~ic sanction, imperial or royal ordinance issued as fundamental law, esp. that of Charles VI in 1724 settling Austrian succession). Hence ~icāl'ity n., ~icāl'y² adv. [f. F *pragmatique* f. L f. Gk *pragmatikos* (*pragma* -mātos deed f. *prassō* do), -IC, -AL]

prāgmāt'ism, n. Officiousness; pedantry; matter-of-fact treatment of things; (Philos.) doctrine that estimates any assertion solely by its practical bearing upon human interests. So ~ist n., ~is'tic a. [f. Gk *pragma*, see prec. & -ISM]

prāgmāt'ize, v.t. Represent as real; rationalize (myth). [as prec., see -IZE]

prair'ie, n. Large treeless tract of level or undulating grass-land; ~-chicken, -hen, N.-Amer. kind of grouse; ~-dog, N.-Amer. rodent with bark like dog's; ~oyster, raw egg swallowed whole; ~-schooner, early emigrant's white-tilted wagon used in crossing the ~s. [F, f. Rom. ⁺*prataria* (L *pratium* meadow, see -ARY¹)]

praise (-z), v.t., & n. 1. Express warm approbation of, commend the merits of, (person, thing); glorify, extol the attri-

butes of (God etc.). 2. n. Praising, commendation, as *won high* ~, *was loud in his* ~s. Hence ~FUL a., ~fulness n., (-zf-). [(n. f. vb) f. OF *preisier* price, prize, praise, f. LL *preciare, pret-, (pretium price)*]

praise worth'y (prāz'wōrdhī), a. Worthy of praise, commendable, (often patronizing). Hence ~ily² adv., ~INESS n.

Pra'krit (prah-), n. Any of the dialects of N. & Central India existing alongside of or growing out of Sanskrit. [f. Skr. *prakrita* unrefined]

pra'line (prah-), n. Sweetmeat made by browning nuts in boiling sugar. [F (*Praslin*, surname)]

pram', **praam**, (prahm), n. Flat-bottomed boat used in Baltic etc. for shipping cargo etc.; flat-bottomed boat mounted with guns; Scandinavian ship's boat corresp. to dinghy. [Du. (-aam)]

prām', n. (colloq.). || Perambulator; milkman's handcart. [abbr. of PERAMBULATOR]

prance (-ah-), v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of horse) rise by springing from hind legs; cause (horse) to do this; (fig.) walk, behave, in elated or arrogant manner (esp. ~ing *pro-consuls*). 2. n. ~ing, ~ing movement. [f.]

prān'dial, a. (joc.). Of dinner. [f. L *prandium* lunch, see -AL]

|| **prāng**, v.t. (R.A.F. sl.). Bomb (target) successfully. [f.]

prānk', n. Mad frolic, practical joke; (fig., of machinery etc.) erratic action. Hence ~FUL, ~ISH¹, aa., ~ishness n. [f.]

prānk', v.t. & i. Dress, deck, (person, oneself, thing, often out); adorn, spangle, (field with flowers etc.); (v.i.) show oneself off. [cf. Du. *pronken*, G *prunken*, show off, & obs. E adj. *prank* smart, showy]

prāse (-z), n. Kind of leek-green translucent quartz. [F, f. L f. Gk *prasios* leek-green (*prason* leek)]

prāt'e, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Chatter; talk too much; blab; tell, say, (thing) in ~ing manner. 2. n. ~ing, idle talk. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ING² a. [(n. f. vb) f. 15th c., cf. Du. *praten*, Sw. *prata*, Da. *prate*]

|| **prāt'ies** (-tiz), n. (Anglo-Ir. colloq.). Potatoes. [corrupt.]

prāt'incōle (-ngk-), n. Bird like swallow in appearance & habits, & allied to plover. [f. L *pratium* meadow + *incola* inhabitant]

prāt'ique (-ik, or prātēk'), n. Licence to hold intercourse with port, granted to ship after quarantine or on showing clean bill of health. [F, = PRACTICE, intercourse]

prāt'tle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Talk in childish or artless fashion; say (thing) thus. 2. n. Childish chatter, small talk. Hence **prāt'tle¹** n., **prāt'tle²** a. [(n. f. vb) f. PRATE + -LE(S)]

prāv'it'y, n. (rare). Depravity; || badness, corruptness, (of food etc.). [f. L *pravitas* (*pravus* crooked, bad, see -TY)]

prawn, n., & v.i. Crustacean like large

shrimp; (v.i.) fish for ~s, so ~ING¹ n. [ME *praxys*, etym. dub.]

prāx'is, n. Accepted practice, custom; (Gram.) set of examples for practice. [Gk, =doing, f. *prasseō* do]

pray, v.t. & i. Make devout supplication to (God, object of worship); beseech earnestly (God, person, for thing, to do, that); ask earnestly for (permission etc.); engage in prayer, make entreaty, (to God, to person, for thing, for or on behalf of person, to do, that); ~ (I beg you to) consider etc.; what is the use of that, ~ (tell me)?; ~ in aid of (arch.); in adv., not prep., summon to one's support. [f. OF *preier* f. LL *precare* (L *ri*)]

prayer¹ (prā), n. Solemn request to God or object of worship; formula used in praying, e.g. LORD'S ~; form of divine service consisting largely of ~s, as *morn-ing* ~, *evening* ~, *family* ~s; action, practice, of praying; entreaty to a person; thing prayed for; ~book, book of forms of ~, esp. Book of Common P~, public liturgy of Church of England; ~meeting, religious meeting at which several persons offer ~; ~wheel, revolving cylindrical box inscribed with or containing ~s, used esp. by Buddhists of Tibet. Hence ~FUL (-fūl-), ~LESS (-lēs-), aa., ~FULLY², ~LESSLY³, advv., ~FULNESS, ~LESSNESS, nn. [ME & OF *preiere* f. med. L *precaria* fem. sing. (orig. neut. pl.) adj. as n. (as PRECARIOUS)]

prayer², n. One who prays. [-ER¹]

prē-, pref., =med. L *pre-*, L *prae-*, before (in time, place, order, degree, or importance). Besides wds of L orig. *pre-* as living B pref. forms unlimited vbs & vbl nn., only the more important of which are given in their alphabetical place. In secondary wds such as those here classified, the pron. is (prē-) & the hyphen is usu. written. 1. Vbs & vbl nn. w. sense 'do, doing, thing done, beforehand', as: ~acquaint'; ~admi'sion; ~admon'ish, ~admoni'tion; ~advise'; ~announce' (ment); ~appoint' (ment); ~arrange' (ment); || ~aud'ience, right (of lawyer at Bar) to be heard before another; ~cal'culable, ~cal'culate, ~calcula'tion; ~compose'; ~concert'; ~condemn'; ~condi'tion, prior condition, one that must be fulfilled beforehand; ~consid'er, ~considera'tion; ~contract' v.i., ~con'tract n.; ~decease' (v.t.) die before (person), (n.) such death; ~define'; ~digest', render food easily digestible before introduction into stomach (also fig.), ~dige'stion, this process; ~doom' v.t. ~elect', ~elec'tion (see also in 2); ~engage' (ment); ~estab'lish; ~es'timate v.t., ~es'timate n.; ~exist' v.i., ~exis'tence n., so ~exis'tent a.; ~in'dicate, ~in'timate v.t.; ~im'it v.t.; ~mo'tion,

motion given beforehand, esp. divine act as determining the will of the creature; ~ordain', appoint beforehand, fore-ordain; ~percep'tion. 2. Adj. & nn. w. sense 'person etc.) existing, dating from, before the time of—', as: ~adm'ic a., ~ad'amite n. & a., (one of supposed race) existing before the time of Adam; ~Chris'tian, before Christ(ianity); ~class'ical, before the classical age (usu. of Greek & Roman literature); ~conq'ueror, ~conq'uest, before the Norman conquest; ~con'scious, antecedent to consciousness; ~elec'tion, (of acts, promises) done, given, before election; ~exil'ian, ~exil'ic, before (usu. the Babylonian) exile; ~glā'cial, before the glacial period; ~hum'an, existing before man existed; ~millenn'ial(ism), (belief that Christ's Second Advent will occur) before the millennium, so ~millenar'ian, ~mil-lenn'ialist; ~nal'al, existing, occurring, before birth; ~pran'dial, before-dinner; ~scien'tific, before the rise of modern science; ~war' adj. (as ~war prices) & (vulg.) adv. (as that happened ~war), before the war. 3. Adj., chiefly anat. & zool., w. sense 'situated in front of', as: ~cord'ial, in front of or about the heart; ~cos'tal, in front of the ribs; ~dors'al, anterior to the dorsal region; ~fron'tal, in front of frontal bone of skull, in fore part of frontal lobe of brain; ~maxill'ary, in front of the upper jaw; ~oc'ular, in front of the eye.

preach, v.i. & t., & n. Deliver sermon or religious address, deliver (sermon); give moral advice in obtrusive way; proclaim, expound, (the Gospel, Christ, that, etc.) in public discourse; advocate, inculcate, (quality, conduct, principle, etc.) thus; ~up, extol, commend; ~down, disparage, put down by ~ing or speaking; (n., colloq.) ~ing, sermon, lecture. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ER¹, ~ersHIP, ~MENT (usu. derog.), nn. [f. OF *prechier* f. L *PRAE(dicare)* proclaim]

preach² (if), v.i. Preach, moralize, hold forth, tediously. [-FY]

preach³ (y), a. (colloq.). Fond of preaching or holding forth. Hence ~iness n. [-Y²]

prēam'ble, n., & v.i. Preliminary statement in speech or writing; introductory part of statute, deed, etc.; (v.i.) make ~. [(vb f. n.) f. F *préambule* f. med. L *praeambulum* f. L *praeambulus* going before f. *PRAE(ambulare)* walk]

prēb'end, n. Part of revenue of cathedral or collegiate church granted to canon or member of chapter as stipend; portion of land or tithe from which this stipend is drawn; =foll. So ~AL a. [f. OF *prebende* f. med. L *praebenda* pension, neut. pl. gerund. of L *praebere* grant, =*PRAE(habere)* =*habere* have, hold)]

préb'endary, n. Holder of prebend; ~ *stall*, ~'s stall in cathedral. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. med. L *praebendarius* (as *prec.*, see -ARY¹)]

préc'arious, a. Held during the pleasure of another, as ~ *tenure*; question-begging, taken for granted, as a ~ *assumption*; dependent on chance, uncertain, as *makes a ~ living*; perilous, as *the ~ life of a fisherman*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *precarious* obtained by entreaty (*precem* prayer, see -ARY¹) + -OUS]

préc'atory, a. (Gram., of word or form) expressing entreaty; (in wills) ~ *words* (requesting that a thing be done), ~ *trust*, ~ *words* that are held to be binding. So **préc'ative** a. [f. LL *precalorius* (*precar* pray, see -ORY)]

précau'tion, n. Prudent foresight, measure taken beforehand to ward off evil or ensure good result. Hence ~ARY¹ (-sho-) a. [f. F *précaution* f. med. L *praecautionem* f. L *PRAE* (*carere* *cavit* -beware of), see -ION]

précède', v.t. & i. (Of person or thing) go before in rank or importance, as *such duties ~ all others, sons of barons ~ baronets*; come before (thing etc., or abs.) in order, as *the words that ~ (this paragraph)*; walk in front of, as ~d by our guide; come before in time, as *in the years preceding his accession*; cause (thing) to be ~d by, as *must ~ this measure by milder ones*. [f. F *préceder* f. L *PRAE* (*cedere* *cess* -go)]

pré'cedence (or *prisé'd*), (rarely) -cý, nn. Priority in time or succession; superiority, higher position, as *takes ~ of* (is recognized as superior to) *all others*; right of preceding others in ceremonies & social formalities. [prob. f. PRECEDENT², see -ENCE, -ENCY]

pré'cedent¹, n. Previous case taken as example for subsequent cases or as justification, as *there is no ~ for this, it is without ~, do not take this as a ~*; (Law) decision, procedure, etc., serving as rule or pattern. [as foll.]

précéd'ent² (or *pré's'i-*), a. (now rare). Proceeding in time, order, rank, etc., as *condition ~*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *précedent* a. & n. f. L as PRECEDE, see -ENT]

pré'cedented, a. Having, supported by, precedent. [-ED¹]

précént', v.i. & t. Act as precentor; lead (psalm etc.) in singing. [back form. f. foll.]

précén'tor, n. (In some Presbyterian churches etc.) one who leads singing of congregation; (in English cathedrals) member of clergy in general control of musical arrangements, in old foundations ranking next to dean and having succentor as his deputy, and in new foundations being a minor canon. Hence or cogn. ~SHIP, **précén'trix**, nn. [f. LL *praecentor* f. L *PRAE* (*cinere* *cent* -canere sing)]

pré'cept¹, n. Command, maxim, so **pré'cép'tive** a.; moral instruction, as *example is better than ~*; divine command; writ, warrant; written order to arrange for & hold election; order for collection or payment of money under a rate. [f. L *praecceptum* neut. p.p. of *PRAE* (*cipere* *cepi* -capere take) instruct]

précép'tor, n. Teacher, instructor. Hence or cogn. **précép'tor'ial** a., ~ORSHIP, ~RESS¹, nn. [f. L *praeceptor* (as *prec.*, see -OR²)]

précép'tor'y, n. (hist.). Subordinate community of Knights Templars; estate, buildings, of this. [f. med. L *praecceptor* fem. adj. as n. (as *prec.*, see -ORY)]

précé'ssion (-shn), n. (astron.). ~ of the equinoxes, (earlier, occurrence of the equinoxes in each successive sidereal year, due to) retrograde motion of equinoctial points along ecliptic. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. LL *praecessio* (as PRECEDE, see -ION)]

pré'cinct, n. Space enclosed by walls or other boundaries of a place or building, esp. of place of worship; (pl.) the environs of; boundary; *subdivision of county or city or ward for election and police purposes. [f. med. L *praecinctum* neut. p.p. of *PRAE* (*cingere* gird)]

pré'cious (-shus), a. & adv. 1. Of great price, costly; ~ *metals*, gold, silver, (occas.) platinum; ~ *stone*, gem; of great non-material worth, as ~ *words, privilege, knowledge, blood of Christ*; affectively refined in language, workmanship, etc., so **précios'ity** (-shiús⁴) n.; (colloq., as intensive) *made a ~ mess of it, a ~ sight more than you think*; (ellipt.) *my ~ (dear etc.)*. 2. adv. (colloq.). Uncommonly, as *took ~ good care of that, ~ little of it*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME & OF *precios* f. L *pretiosus* (*pretium* price, see -OUS)]

pré'cipice, n. Vertical or steep face of rock, cliff, mountain, etc. [f. L *praecipitium* falling headlong, precipice (as PRECIPITOUS)]

précip'itate¹, n. (Chem.) body precipitated from solution, so ~ABILITY, ~ANT(2), nn., ~ABLE a.; (Physics) moisture condensed from vapour by cooling & deposited, e.g. rain, dew. [as foll.]

précip'itate², a. Headlong, violently hurried, as ~ *ate flight*; (of person or act) hasty, rash, inconsiderate. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE, ~ANCY, ~ATENESS, nn., ~ATELY² adv. [as foll., see -ATE²]

précip'itate³, v.t. Throw down headlong; (fig.) hurl, fling, (person etc. into condition etc.); hurry, urge on, (course of events etc.); hasten the occurrence of, as *served to ~e his ruin*; (Chem.) cause (substance in solution) to be deposited in solid form; condense (vapour) into drops & so deposit. So **précipita'tion** (esp., Meteorol., fall of rain, sleet, snow, or

- ball), ~OR², nn. [f. L *praecipitare* (as foll.), -ATE¹]
- precipitous**, a. Of, like, a precipice; steep; (rare) = **PRECIPITATE**. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. obs. F *precipiteux* f. L *prae(c)eps* -*capitis* f. *caput* head) headlong, sec -OUS]
- précis** (pri'sè), n., & v.t. 1. Summary, abstract. 2. v.t. Make a ~ of. [F, = foll.]
- précise**, a. Accurately expressed, definite, exact; punctilious, scrupulous in observance of rules etc.; *the* ~ (exact, identical) *moment* etc. Hence ~NESS (-sm-) n. [f. F *précis*, -ise, f. L *prae(c)idere* cis = *caedere* cut) cut short]
- précise'ly** (-sli-), adv. In precise manner; (in emphatic or formal assent) quite so. [-LY²]
- précis'ian** (-zhn), n. One who is rigidly precise or punctilious, esp. in religious observance. Hence ~ISM (-zha-) n. [-IAN]
- précision** (-zhn), n. Accuracy; arm of ~, fire-arm fitted with sights or other mechanical aids; (attrib.) marked by, adapted for, ~ (~ *bombing, instruments, tools*). Hence ~IST (-zho-) n. [f. L *prae(c)isio* (as *PRECISE*, see -ION)]
- préclude** (-ôdd), v.t. Exclude, prevent, make impracticable, as *so as to ~ all doubt*. So **préclus'ive** (-lôo-) a. [f. L *prae(c)cludere* clus = *claudere* shut)]
- précoc'ious** (-shus), a. (Of plant) flowering or fruiting early; (of person) prematurely developed in some faculty; (of actions etc.) indicating such development. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **précoc'ity**, nn. [f. L *prae(c)ox* -*cocis* f. *prae(c)quere* cook) + OUS]
- précogni'tion**, n. Antecedent knowledge; || (Sc. Law) preliminary examination of witnesses etc., esp. in order to know whether there is ground for trial. [f. LL *praecognitio* f. *prae(c)ognoscere*, cf. *RECOGNIZE*, see -ION]
- préconceive** (-sév), v.t. Conceive beforehand, anticipate in thought. So **préconcep'tion** n. (esp. = *prejudice*). [PRE-]
- préc'onize**, v.t. Proclaim publicly; commend publicly; summon by name; (Rom. Cath., of pope) approve publicly the appointment of (bishop). So ~ATION n. [f. med. L *praecognizare* (L *praeco* -*onis* herald, see -IZ-)]
- précurs'or**, n. Forerunner, harbinger, esp. John the Baptist; one who precedes in office etc. [f. L *praecursor* f. *prae(c)currere* curs- run), see -OR¹]
- précurs'ory**, a. Preliminary, introductory, serving as harbinger (of). So ~IVE a. [f. L *praecursorius* (as *prec.*, see -ORY)]
- prédac'ious** (-shus), a. (Of animals) naturally preying on others, predatory; pertaining to such animals, as ~ *instincts*. So **prédac'ity** n. [as *PREDATORY*, see -ACIOUS]
- prédâte**, v.t. Antedate. [PRE-]
- préd'atory**, a. Of, addicted to, plunder or robbery; (of animals) preying upon others. [f. L *praedatorius* (*praedari* plunder f. *praed* booty, see -ORY)]
- préd'écéssor**, n. Former holder of any office or position, as *my, William's*. ~s, *his immediate* ~; thing to which another has succeeded, as *will share the fate of its* ~; forefather. [f. LL *prae(de)cessor*, see DECREASE -OR²)]
- prédéll'a**, n. (Painting on vertical face of) altar-step; (painting, sculpture, on) raised shelf at back of altar. [It. = stool, prob. f. OHG *pret* board + *-ella* dim. suf.]
- prédéstinar'ian**, n. & a. (Holder of the doctrine) of predestination. [-ARIAN]
- prédés'tinâte**, v.t. (Of God) foreordain (person) to salvation or to (any fate), to (do); determine beforehand. So ~ATE² (-at) a. [f. L *prae(d)estinare* DESTINE], see -ATE²]
- prédéstina'tion**, n. God's appointment from eternity of some of mankind to salvation & eternal life; God's fore-ordaining of all that comes to pass; fate, destiny. [f. LL *praedestinatio* (as *prec.*, see -ION)]
- prédés'tine**, v.t. Determine beforehand, appoint as if by fate; (Theol.) = **PREDESTINATE**. [as *PREDESTINATE*]
- prédétér'm'iné**, v.t. Decree beforehand, predestine, so ~ATE² (-at) a.: (of motive etc.) impel (person etc.) to thing, to do) beforehand. Hence ~ATION n. [f. LL *prae(d)eterminare* DETERMINE)]
- préd'ial**, a. & n. 1. Of land or farms; rural, agrarian; (of slaves) attached to the land. 2. n. ~ slave. [f. med. L *praedialis* (L *praedium* farm, see -AL)]
- préd'ic'able**, a. & n. 1. That may be predicated or affirmed, so ~ABLEITY n. 2. n. ~able thing, esp. (pl.) Aristotle's classes of predicates viewed relatively to their subjects (viz. genus, species, difference, property, accident). [f. F *prédic'able* (as *PREDICATE*², see -BLE)]
- prédic'ament**, n. Thing predicated, esp. (pl.) Aristotle's ten categories, whence **prédicamén'tal** a.; unpleasant, trying, or dangerous situation. [f. LL *praedicamentum* (as foll., see -MENT)]
- préd'icant**, a. & n. 1. (Of religious order, esp. Dominicans) engaged in preaching. 2. n. = **PREDIKANT**. [as foll., see -ANT]
- préd'icate**¹, n. (Logic) what is predicated, what is affirmed or denied of the subject by means of the copula (e.g. *a fool in he is a fool*); (Gram.) what is said of the subject, including the copula (e.g. *is a fool in prec. ex.*); quality, attribute. [as foll., see -ATE¹]
- préd'icâte**², v.t. Assert, affirm, as true or existent, as *many truths may be ~d about humanity, we ~ goodness or badness of a*

motive, ~ of a *motive* that it is good or bad; (Logic) assert (thing) about subject. So **prédica'tion** n. [f. L *PRAE*(dicare declare) proclaim, see -ATE¹]

prédic'ative, a. Making a predication; (Gram., of adj. or n., opp. *attributive*) forming part or the whole of the predicate, as in 'This is *absurd*', cf. 'an *absurd* notion'. Hence ~LY² adv. [as prec., see -IVE]

préd'icatory, a. Of, given to, marked by, preaching. [f. LL *praedicatorius* (prec., -ORY)]

prédic't, v.t. Forecast, prophesy, (thing, that, who, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ABIL'ITY, **prédic'tion**, nn., ~ABLE, ~IVE, aa., ~ively² adv. [f. L *PRAE*(dicere dict- say)]

prédic'tor, n. In vbl senses; also instrument for determining the height, direction, speed, and range of aircraft and the fuse-setting etc. required in engaging hostile aircraft with anti-aircraft fire. [-OR²]

préd'ikant' (-ahnt), n. Minister of Dutch Protestant church, esp. in S. Africa. [Dut. as *PREDIKANT*]

prédilec'tion, n. Mental preference, partiality, (for). [f. F *prédilection* f. med. L *PRAE*(diligere) see DILIGENT & -ION]

prédisposé' (-z), v.t. Render liable, subject, or inclined (to feeling, disease, etc., to do). [PRE-]

prédisposi'tion (-zi-), n. State of mind or body favourable to (mercy, malaria, etc.). [PRE-]

prédom'inâte, v.i. Have or exert control (over person etc.), be superior; be the stronger or main element, preponderate, as *garden in which dahlias ~ate*. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE n., ~ANT a., ~antly², ~atingly², advv. [f. med. L *PRAE*(dominare DOMINATE)]

pré-ém'inent, a. Excelling others; distinguished beyond others in some quality. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ently² adv. [f. L *PRAE*(eminens EMINENT)]

pré-empt', v.t. & i. Obtain by pre-emption; *occupy (public land) so as to have right of pre-emption; (fig.) appropriate beforehand; (Bridge) make pre-emptive bid. [back formation f. foll.]

pré-empt'ion, n. Purchase by one person etc. before opportunity is offered to others; right so to purchase. So ~IVE a. (~ire bid, bid at Bridge intended to be high enough to prevent further bidding). [f. med. L *PRAE*(emere empt- buy), -ION]

preen, v.t. Trim (feathers) with beak; (of person) trim oneself. [prob. var. of PRUNE², assoc. w. Sc. & obs. E *preen* prick pin]

préfab'ricâte, v.t. Manufacture component parts of (building etc.) prior to their assembly on a site. So ~A'TION n. [PRE-]

préf'ace, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Introduction to book stating subject, scope, etc.; preliminary part of a speech: introduction

to central part of eucharistic service. 2. v.t. Furnish (book etc.) with ~; introduce (act, speech, with), as ~d his remarks with a *short*; (of event etc.) lead up to (another); (v.i.) make preliminary remarks. So **préfat'or'ial**, **préfat'ory**, aa. [f. F *préface* prob. f. med. L *præfatia* for L *præfatio* f. *PRAE*(fari speak), see -ION]

préf'ect, n. (Rom. Ant.) title of various officers, civil & military; chief administrative officer of French department; ~ of police, head of Paris police; (in some public schools) senior pupil authorized to maintain discipline. So **préf'ect'orial**, ~OR'IAL, aa. [OF, f. L *præfectus* f. *PRAE*(ficere feci- = *facere* make) set over]

préf'ecture, n. (Period of) office, official residence, district under government, of a prefect. Hence **préf'ect'ural** (-cher-) a. [f. L *præfectura* (as prec., see -URE)]

préfer', v.t. (-rr-). Promote (person to office), whence ~MENT n.; bring forward, submit, (statement, information, etc., to person in authority etc., against offender etc.); choose rather, like better, as *gentlemen ~ blondes*, ~ water to wine, ~ to leave it alone, ~ that it should be left (than is unidiomatic after ~ unless rather is inserted, as ~red to die rather than pay), so **préfer'able** a., **préfer'ably**² adv. [f. F *préférrer* f. L *PRAE*(ferre lat- bear)]

préférence, n. Liking of one thing better than another (of A to or over B); thing one prefers; prior right esp. to payment of debts; || ~ bond, share, stock, (on which dividend is paid before any is paid on ordinary stock); favouring of one person or country before others in business relations, esp. favouring of a country by admitting its products at lower import duty. [f. F *préférence* f. med. L *præferentia* (prec., -ENCE)]

préferén'tial (-shl), a. Of, giving, receiving, preference; (of duties etc.) favouring particular countries, || esp. favouring trade between Great Britain & her colonies, whence ~ISM, ~IST, nn., (-sha-). Hence ~LY² adv. [as prec. + -AL]

préferred' (-ôrd), a. In vbl senses; ~ shares, stock, etc., preference shares etc. [-ED²]

préfig'ure (-ger), v.t. Represent beforehand by figure or type, picture to oneself beforehand. Hence or cogn. **préfig'ur-a'tion**, ~MENT (-germ-), nn., **préfig'ur-ative** a. [f. LL *PRAE*(figurare FIGURE)]

préfix', n. Verbal element placed at beginning of word to qualify meaning or (in some languages) as inflexional formative; title placed before name, e.g. *Mr, Mrs, Sir, Dr*. [f. L *PRAE*(figere FIX)]

préfix', v.t. Add (chapter, paragraph, etc., to book etc.) as introduction; join (word, verbal element) as prefix (to word), so **préfix'ion**, **préfix'ture**, nn. [f. OF *PRÆ*(fixer FIX¹)]

préform', v.t. Form beforehand. [PRE-]

préformá'tion, n. Previous formation; (Biol.) *theory of ~* (that all parts of the perfect organism exist in the germ & are merely developed). [PRE-]

préform'ative, a. & n. Forming beforehand; (syllable, letter) prefixed as formative element. [PRE-]

prég'nable, a. Not impregnable. [ME & F *pregnable*, see IMPREGNABLE]

prég'nant, a. (Of woman or female animal) with child, gravid; teeming with ideas, imaginative, inventive; fruitful in results, big *with* (consequences etc.); (of words or acts) having a hidden meaning, significant, suggestive, whence ~LY² adv.; (Gram.) ~ *construction* (in which more is implied than the words express). Hence **prég'nancy** n. [f. L *praegnas* -ntis perh. f. PRAE- + *gna*- root of (*gynasci* be born; but older L has *praegnas* -atis)]

préhén'sile, a. (zool.). (Of tail or limb) capable of grasping. Hence **préhénsil'ITY** n. [f. F *préhensile* f. L *PRE(hendere)* -ens- cogn. w. Gk *khandanō* grasp, see -ILE]

préhén'sion (-shn), n. Grasping, seizing; mental apprehension. [f. L *prehensio* (prec., -ION)]

préhístó'ric, a. Of the period antecedent to history. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [PRE-]

préhís'tory, n. Prehistoric matters or times. [PRE-, after prec.]

pré-ign'ition, n. Premature firing of explosive mixture in internal-combustion engine. [PRE-]

préj'udge, v.t. Pass judgement on (person) before trial or proper inquiry; form premature judgement upon (person, cause, action, etc.). So ~MENT (-jm-), **préjudica'TION** (-jöö-), nn. [f. F *préjuger* f. L *PRAE(judicare)* JUDGE]]

préj'udice (-jöö-), n., & v.t. 1. Preconceived opinion, bias, (*against, in favour of*, person or thing), as *divest your mind of ~*, *has a ~ against foreigners*, *has a ~ in our favour*, *this is mere ~*; injury that results or may result from some action or judgement, as *to the ~ of*; *without ~*, without detriment to existing right or claim. 2. v.t. Impair the validity of (right, claim, statement, etc.); cause (person) to have a ~ (*against, in favour of*), esp. in p.p. ((vb f. F *préjudicier*) f. F *préjudice* f. L *PRAE(judicium)* judgement f. *iudex* JUDGE) preceding judgement, precedent, damage]

préjudi'cial (-jöödishl), a. Causing prejudice, detrimental, (*to rights, interests, etc.*). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L as prec., see -AL]

prél'acy, n. Office, rank, see, of a prelate; the prelates; church government by prelates (usu. hostile for EPISCOPACY). [f. AF *prelacie* f. med. L *praelatus* (as foll., see -ACY)]

prél'ate, n. High ecclesiastical dignitary, e.g. (arch)bishop, metropolitan, patriarch, (hist.) abbot or prior. Hence **prélát'IC(AL)** aa., **prélát'ically**² adv. [f. OF *prélat* f. L *praelatus* (as PREFER)]

prél'atess, n. Abbess, prioress; (joc.) prelate's wife. [-ESS¹]

prél'atize, v.t. Bring (church) under prelatical government. [f. PRELATE + -IZE]

prél'ature, n. Office of prelate: the prelates. [f. F *prélature* f. med. L *praelatura* (as PRELATE, see -URE)]

préléc't, v.i. Discourse, lecture, (*to audience on subject, esp. in univ.*). So **préléc'tion**, **préléc'tor**², nn. [f. L *PRAE(legere)* lect- read]]

préliba'tion, n. Foretaste (usu. fig.). [f. LL *PRAE(libatio)* LIBATION]]

prélim', n. (colloq.). Preliminary examination. [abbr.]

prélim'inár'y, a. & n. 1. Introductory, preparatory. 2. n. ~y arrangement (usu. in pl.). Hence ~ILY² adv. [f. L *PRAE-* + *limen* -minis threshold, see -ARY¹]

prél'ude¹, n. Performance, action, event, condition, serving as introduction (*to another*): (Mus.) introductory movement esp. one preceding fugue or forming first piece of suite. Hence **prél'úd'ial** a., **prél'údize**(2) v.i. [f. F *prélude* f. LL *praeludium*, as foll.]

prél'ude² (or **prél'úd**), v.t. & i. Serve as prelude to, introduce, foreshadow; introduce with a prelude; be, give, a prelude to; (Mus.) play a prelude. So **prél'ú'sion** (-zhn) n., **prél'ús'ive** a. [f. L *PRAE(ludere)* lus- play]]

prématuré' (also **prém'**), a. Occurring, done, before the usual or proper time, too early, hasty, as ~ *decision, decay*. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **prématur'ity**, nn. [f. L *PRAE(maturus)* MATURE]]

préméd'itâte, v.t. Think out, design, (action etc.) beforehand (esp. in p.p.). Hence or cogn. ~**âtédly**² adv., ~**A'TION** n. [f. L *PRAE(meditari)* MEDITATE]]

prém'ier (or **pré-**), a. & n. 1. (Now chiefly sl.) first in position, importance, order, or time, as *secured ~ place* (in race). 2. n. Prime Minister in Great Britain or some British dominions. Hence ~SHIP n. [F, =first, f. L as PRIMARY]

première' (prüm'yär'), n. First performance of play. [F, fem. adj. as prec.]

prém'ise¹, -ss (as below), n. 1. (Logic, often -ss) previous statement from which another is inferred, esp. MAJOR², MINOR, ~ in syllogism. 2. (pl.). The aforesaid, the foregoing, esp. (Law) the aforesaid houses, lands, or tenements. 3. (pl.). House, building, with grounds & appurtenances, as *to be drunk on the ~s*. [f. F *prémisse* f. med. L *praemissa* (*propositio* proposition) set in front f. L *PRAE(mittere)* miss- send]]

premise' (-z), v.t. Say, write, (thing, *that*) by way of introduction. [f. prec.]
prēm'ium, n. Reward, prize, (chiefly now in *put a ~ on*, provide or act as incentive to, as *you, this, will put a ~ on fraud*); amount to be paid in consideration of contract of insurance; sum additional to interest, wages, etc., bonus; fee for instruction in profession etc.; charge for changing one currency into another of greater value, *agio*; at a ~, at more than nominal value (cf. DISCOUNT), (fig.) in high esteem. [f. L *praemium* booty, reward, f. PRAE- + *emere* buy, take]

prēmōl'ar, n. Tooth in front of true molars (in man, BICUSPID). [PRE-]

prēmōn'ition, n. Forewarning. So **prēmōn'itor**' n., **prēmōn'itorily**' adv., **prēmōn'itory** a. [f. obs. F *premonicion* f. LL *praemonitio* f. L PRAE(*monēre* -i- warn), -ION]

Prēmōnstrat'ēn, a. & n. (Member) of order of regular canons founded at Prémontré in 1119, or of corresponding order of nuns. [f. med. L *Praemonstratensis* (*Praemonstratus* Prémontré, see -ESE) + -AN]

prēmōrse', a. (bot., entom.). With the end abruptly truncate. [f. L PRAE- (*mordere mors-* bite) bite off in front]

prēn'tice, n., & v.t. (arch.). = APPRENTICE, esp. ~ (tiro's) *hand*. Hence ~SHIP n. (arch.). [aphetic]

prēoccūp'ation, n. Prepossession, prejudice; occupation of a place beforehand; occupation, business, that takes precedence of all others; mental absorption. [f. L *praecoccupatio* (foll., -ATION)]

prēoccūp'ity, v.t. Engage beforehand, engross (mind etc.); (p.p., esp.) distrahit, with thoughts elsewhere, whence ~iedLY' (-pid-) adv.; appropriate beforehand. [f. L PRAE(*occupare* OCCUPY)]

prēp, n. (schoolsl.). || Preparation. [abbr.]

prēpar'ation, n. Preparing; (usu. pl.) thing(s) done to make ready (*for*); *make ~s*, prepare (*for*); || (abbr. *prep*) ~ of lessons as part of school routine; substance, e.g. food or medicine, specially prepared; (Mus.) preparing of a discord. [f. F *préparation* f. L *praeparationem* (as PREPARE, see -ION)]

prēp'arative, a. & n. Preparatory; (n.) ~ act, (Mil., Naut.) signal on drum, bugle, etc., as order to make ready. Hence ~LY' adv. [F (-if, -ive), f. med. L *praeparativus* (as PREPARE, see -IVE)]

prēp'arator'y, a. & n. Serving to prepare, introductory (*to*); ~y (*school*), || where pupils are prepared for higher school; (quasi-adv.) *am packing it up ~y to sending it by post*. Hence ~ily' adv. [f. med. L *praeparatorius* (as foll., see -ORY)]

prēp'are', v.t. & l. Make (person, thing) ready (*for*); make ready (food, meal) for eating; make (person) mentally ready or

fit (*for* news, to hear, etc.); get (lesson, speech, sermon) ready by previous study, get (person) ready by teaching (*for* college, examination, the army, etc.); make preparations (*for*, to do, etc.); *be ~d*, be ready or willing (*to do*); make (chemical product etc.) by regular process; (Mus.) lead up to (discord) by sounding the dissonant note in it as consonant note in preceding chord. Hence **prēpār'ēdness** n., readiness (esp. of nav. and mil. preparations for possible hostilities). [f. F *préparer* f. L PRAE(*parare* make ready)]

prēpay', v.t. Pay (charge) beforehand; pay (cost of telegram), pay cost of (parcel), beforehand. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [PRE-]

prépense', a. Deliberate, intentional, chiefly in *malice* ~, intention to injure, of *malice* ~, with intent to injure. Hence ~LY' adv. [earlier *prepens* p.p. of obs. *prepsene* altered f. earlier *purpsene* f. OF *pur*(*penser*, see PENSIVE)]

prépōn'der'āte, v.i. Weigh more, be heavier; ~ate over, exceed in number, quantity, etc.; be of greater moral or intellectual weight; be the chief element, predominate; (of scale of balance) sink. So ~ANCE n., ~ANT a., ~antly' adv. [f. L PRAE(*ponderare* PONDER), -ATE']

prēposi'tion (-z), n. Indeclinable word serving to mark relation between the noun or pronoun it governs & another word (e.g. the italic wds in: found him at home, wait in the hall, what did you do it *for*!, the bed (that) he slept on, won by waiting, came *through* the roof, that is what I was thinking of). Hence ~AL a., ~ally' adv., (-zisho-). [f. L *praepositio* f. PRAE(*ponere* posit- place)]

prépōs'itive (-z), a. (gram.). (Of word, particle, etc.) proper to be placed before or prefixed. [f. LL *praepositivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

prépōs'itor (-z). See PRAEPOSTOR.

prépōssēs' (-z), v.t. Imbue, inspire, (person with notion, feeling, etc.); (of idea etc.) take possession of (person, usu. pass.); prejudice, usu. favourably, whence ~ING' a., ~ingly' adv., ~ingness, **prépōssēs'sion** (-zēshn), nn. [PRE-]

prépōs'terous, a. Contrary to nature, reason, or common sense; perverse, foolish; absurd. Hence ~LY' adv., ~NESS n. [f. L PRAE(*posterus* coming after) reversed, absurd]

prépōt'ent, a. Very powerful; more powerful than others; (Biol.) having stronger fertilizing influence or power of transmitting hereditary qualities. So ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn. [f. L *praepotens* part. of PRAE(*posse* be able)]

|| **prē-prēf'ere**nce, a. (Of shares, claims, etc.) ranking before preference shares etc. [PRE-]

prép'ūce, n. Foreskin, loose integument covering end of penis. So **prép'ūcial**

(-shl) a. [f. L *PRÆ*(*mutium* perh. = Gk *pothion* penis)]

Pré-Raph'élite, n. Artist who aims at producing work in the spirit that prevailed before the time of Raphael; ~ *Brotherhood* (abbr. *P.R.B.*), group of English artists including Holman Hunt, Millais, D. G. Rossetti. **So pré-Raph'él a.**, **Pré-Raph'él(it)ism** n. [PRE- + *Raphael* + -ITE¹]

préréq'uisite (-z-), a. & n. (Thing) required as previous condition. [PRE-]

prérôg'ative, n. & a. 1. (Also *royal* ~) right of the sovereign, theoretically subject to no restriction; peculiar right or privilege, as *it is our ~ to do*, *we have the ~ of (doing)*, *the ~ of (right to show) mercy*; natural or divinely-given advantage, privilege, or faculty, as *it is the ~ of man to drink without thirst*; || (pedantic) right of giving first vote and thus influencing those that follow; (Hist.) ~ *court*, archbishop's court for probate of wills etc. 2. adj. Privileged, enjoyed by privilege; (Rom. Hist.) having the right to vote first. [adj. f. L *PRÆ*(*rogatus*) f. *rogare* ask, sec -IVE) asked first; n. f. F *prérôgative* f. L *prærogativa* previous choice, prognostic, privilege, fem. adj. as n.]

prés'age¹, n. Omen, portent; presentiment, foreboding. Hence **présâge'FUL** (-if-) a. [f. F *présage* f. L *præcagium* f. *PRÆ*(*cagus* predicting)]

présâge², v.t. Portend, foreshadow; give warning of (event etc.) by natural means, as *such ideas are held to ~ insanity*; (of person) predict, (also) have presentiment of. [f. F *présager*, as prec.]

présby'ôp'ia (-s-, -z-), n. Form of long-sightedness incident to old age. Hence ~*ôp'io* a. [f. Gk *presbus* old man + *ôps ôpos* eye]

prés'byter (-s-, -z-), n. (In early Church) one of several officers managing affairs of local church; (in Episcopal church) minister of second order, priest; (in Presbyterian church) elder. Hence or cogn. **présby't'erial**, **présby't'erial**, aa., **présby't'erate**¹ (-at-), ~SHIP, nn. [LL, f. Gk *presbuteros* elder]

Présby't'er'ian (-s-, -z-), a. & n. 1. ~ *church*, one governed by elders, all (including ministers) of equal rank; *United ~ church*, that formed in 1847 by union of United Secession & Relief churches, later embodied in the United Free church of Scotland. 2. n. Adherent of ~ system, member of ~ church. Hence ~ISM n., ~IZE(3) v.t. [f. L as foll. + -AN]

prés'by'tery (-s-, -z-), n. Eastern part of chancel beyond choir, sanctuary; body of presbyters, esp. court next above KIRK-session, district represented by this; (R.-C. Ch.) priest's house. [f. OF *presbiterie* f. LL f. Gk *presbiterion* (as *PRÉBYTERE*)]

pré'scient(-shyent), a. Having foreknowledge or foresight. Hence or cogn. **pré'science**(-shyens) n., ~LY² adv. [F, f. L *PRÆ*(*scire* know), see -ENT]

préscind', v.t. & i. Cut off (part from whole) esp. prematurely or abruptly; ~ *from*, leave out of consideration. [f. L *PRÆ*(*scindere* cut)]

prescribe, v.t. & i. Lay down or impose authoritatively, as *do not ~ to me what I am to do or how to do it*, *the statutes ~ the practice*; (Med.) advise use of (medicine etc., or abs.); *to or for patient*, for complaint; also fig.; assert prescriptive right or claim (*to, for, thing*). [f. L *PRÆ*(*scribere* script-write) direct in writing, (Law) bring exception against]

prés'cript, n. Ordinance, law, command. [as prec.]

préscrip'tion, n. Prescribing; physician's (usu. written) direction for composition & use of medicine; (Law) (*positive* ~, uninterrupted use or possession from time immemorial or for period fixed by law as giving title or right, such title or right, *negative* ~, limitation of the time within which action or claim can be raised; (fig.) ancient custom viewed as authoritative, claim founded on long use. [f. L *præscriptio* (as prec., see -ION)]

préscrip'tive, a. Prescribing; based on prescription, as ~ *right*; presented by custom. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL *præscriptivus* (as *PRESCRIBE*, see -IVE)]

présél'ective, a. (Of motor-car gears) that can be selected and set in advance. [PRE-]

prés'ence (-z-), n. Being present, as *your ~ is requested*, *in the ~ of a large company*; **REAL**² ~; place where person is, as *admitted to, banished from, his ~*, *in this (August etc.) ~*, *in the ~ of this (etc.) person*; || *the ~*, ceremonial attendance on person of high esp. royal rank, as *remained in, retired from, the ~*; carriage, bearing, as *a nun of (a) noble ~*; ~ *of mind*, calmness & self-command in sudden emergencies; ~-*chamber* (in which great personage receives guests etc.). [OF, f. L *praesentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

prés'ent¹ (-z-), a. Being in the place in question (chiefly prod.), as *no one else was ~ (in place, at proceeding etc.)*; being dealt with, discussed, etc., as *no excuse in the ~ case*, *the ~ volume* (the book you are reading or I am reviewing), *the ~ writer (I) could not verify this*; ~ *to* (felt, remembered, by) *the mind*, *the imagination*; || (arch.) ready at hand, ready with assistance, as *a very ~ help in trouble*; existing, occurring, being such, now, as *the ~ Duke of York*, *in the ~ fashion*; *the ~ worth of* (sum that with compound interest dating from now will amount to) *£100 in 12 years*; (Gram.) ~

tense (denoting action etc. now going on). [OF, f. L. *praesens* -ntis part. of *PRAE*(esse be) be at hand]

prés'ent² (-z), n. *The present time, the time now passing; at ~, now, as do not want any more at ~, is at ~ in Egypt; for the ~, just now, as far as the ~ is concerned, as that will do for the ~: ~ tense; (know all men etc.) by these ~s, by this document (now legal or loc.).* [prec.]

prés'ent³ (-z), n. *Gift; make a ~ of, present (thing to person).* [OF (as prec.), orig. in phr. *mettre une chose en à quelqu'un*, put a thing into the presence of a person]

présent¹ (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. *Introduce (person to another); introduce (person) to sovereign at court; ~ oneself, appear esp. as candidate for examination etc.* 2. (Of theatr. manager) *cause (actor) to take part in play, produce (play).* 3. *Recommend (clergyman) to bishop for institution (to benefice).* 4. *Exhibit (thing to person etc.). as ~ a ragged appearance, ~ed its front to me: show (quality etc.), as cases that ~ some difficulty.* 5. (mil.). *Hold (fire-arm) in position for taking aim; (also ~ arms) hold fire-arm etc. in deferential position in saluting.* 6. (Of idea etc.) *offer, suggest itself.* 7. (Law) *bring formally under notice, submit, (complaint, offence, to authority).* 8. *Aim (weapon at), hold out (weapon) in position for aiming (also abs. ~! as word of command).* 9. *Offer, give, (thing to person) as present; offer (compliments, regards, to); deliver (bill etc. to person etc.) for acceptance etc.; ~ person with thing, ~ it to him.* 10. n. *Act of aiming weapon esp. fire-arm, position of weapon when aimed, position of 'D' arms' in salute.* [(n. f. vb) f. OF *presenter* f. L. *praesentare* (as PRESENT¹)]

présen'table (-z), a. *Of decent appearance, fit to be introduced or go into company; suitable for presentation as a gift etc.* Hence ~**abil'ity** n., ~**ably**² adv. [-ABLE]

présent'ation (-z), n. *Presenting; ~ (gratis) copy of book etc.; exhibition, theatrical representation, etc.; formal introduction esp. at court; (Metaphys.) all the modification of consciousness directly involved in the knowing or being aware of an object in a single moment of thought, whence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. LL *praesentatio* (as PRESENT⁴, see -ATION)]*

présent'ation'ism (-z, -sho-), n. (metaphys.). *Doctrine that in perception the mind has immediate cognition of the object. So ~(al)ist nn. [prec. + -ISM]*

présen'tative (-z), a. (Of benefice) *to which patron has right of presentation; serving to present an idea to the mind; (Metaphys.) of (the nature of) presentation.* [-ATIVE]

présentee' (-z), n. *Clergyman presented*

to benefice; person recommended for office; person presented at court; recipient of present. [AF (as PRESENT⁴, see -EE)]

présén'tient (-shi-), a. *Having a presentment (of event etc., or abs.).* [f. L. *PRAE*(sentiens SENTIENT)]

présén'timent (-z, -s-), n. *Vague expectation, foreboding. (of coming event esp. evil).* [f. obs. F PRE(SENTIMENT)]

présén'tive (-z), a. (Of word) *presenting an object or conception directly to the mind (opp. to symbolic).* [-IVE]

prés'entily (-z), adv. *Soon, after a short time; (arch.) as direct result, necessarily, as it does not ~ follow that he knew.* [PRESENT¹ + -LY²]

présén't'ment (-z), n. (Law) *statement on oath by jury of fact within their knowledge; formal complaint of offence made by parish authorities to bishop or archdeacon at his visitation; theatrical representation; delineation, portrait; statement, description, (of); act, mode, of presenting to the mind.* [f. OF *praesentement* (as PRESENT⁴, see -MENT)]

préserv'ation (-z), n. *Preserving, being preserved, from injury or destruction; state of being well or ill preserved, as in an excellent state of ~, in (a state of) fair ~.* [f. F *préservation* f. med. L *praeservatio* (as PRESERVE, see -ATION)]

préserv'ative (-z), a. & n. (Drug, measure, etc.) *tending to preserve; chemical substance for preserving perishable foodstuffs, whence ~IVE⁵ v.t.* [f. F *préservatif* f. med. L *praeservativus* (as prec., see -ATIVE)]

présérve¹ (-z), n. *Jam; ground set apart for protection of game (often fig.); piece of water for fish; (pl.) guggles used as protection from dust etc.* [f. foll.]

présérve² (-z), v.t. *Keep safe (from harm etc.); keep alive (name, memory, etc.); maintain (state of things); retain (quality, condition); prepare (fruit, meat, etc.) by boiling with sugar, pickling, etc., to prevent decomposition or fermentation; keep from decomposition by chemical treatment etc.; keep (game, game-run, river, or abs.) undisturbed for private use; well ~ed, (of elderly person) showing little sign of age. Hence ~**ABLE** a., ~**ER**¹ n., (-z-). [f. F *préservier* f. LL *PRAE*(servare keep)]*

préside' (-z), v.i. *Occupy chair of authority at meeting of society or company (often over), sit at head of table; exercise control, sit or reign supreme, (often fig.); ~ at the organ, piano, etc., act as organist etc.* [f. F *présider* f. L. *PRAE*(sidere = sedere sit)]

prés'idency (-z), n. *Office of president; period of this; district administered by president, esp. (formerly) division of E. India Company's territory (Bengal, Madras, Bombay, P~). [f. med. L *praesidentia* (prec., -ENCY)]*

prés'ident (-z-), n. Head of temporary or permanent body of persons, presiding over their meetings & proceedings; head of some colleges; person presiding over meetings of academy, literary or scientific society, etc.; *person presiding over proceedings of bank or company; head of advisory council, board, etc., as *P~ of the Board of Trade*; *Lord P~ of the Council*, English crown officer presiding at meetings of Privy Council; elected head of government in U.S. & other modern republics; (Hist.) governor of province, colony, etc. Hence or cogn. **présiden'tial** (-z-, -shl) a., **présiden'tially** adv., ~SHIP n. [*f. F président* f. L *praesidē*, see -ENT]

prés'identess (-z-), n. Female president; wife of president: [-ESS¹]

prés'id'iary, a. Of, having, serving as, a garrison. [*f. L praesidiarius (praesidium garrison, as PRESIDE, see -ARY¹)*]

présta'dō, n. (pl. ~s). (In Spain & Sp. America) fort, garrison town. [Sp., as prec.]

prés'id'ium, n. Standing committee in various Communistic organizations. [L (*praesidium*), = garrison]

préss', n. 1. Crowding; crowd (of people etc.); throng, crush, in battle; pressure, hurry, of affairs, as *the ~ of modern life*. 2. Pressing, as *give it a slight ~*. 3. (Naut.) ~ of sail, *canvas* (as much as wind etc. will allow). 4. Kinds of instrument for compressing, flattening, or shaping, or for extracting juice etc. 5. (Also *printing~*) machine for printing; printing-house or establishment; the art, practice, of printing; in the ~, being printed, send, go, come, to (the) ~ (to be printed), correct the ~ (errors in printing); *freedom of the ~*, right to print & publish anything without censorship; the newspapers generally, as *favourably noticed by the ~* (have a good etc. ~, receive such notice); the GUTTER, YELLOW, ~; ~ *campaign* or *stunt*, prosecution of political or other aims by newspaper letters & articles; (as name of newspaper) *Aberdeen P~ and Journal*. 6. Large usu. shelved cupboard for clothes, books, etc., esp. in recess in wall. 7. ~ *agent*, person employed by theatre, actor, etc., to attend to advertising and ~ publicity; ~ *box*, shelter for newspaper reporter at cricket match etc.; || ~ *CUTTING*; ~ *gallery* (for reporters esp. in House of Commons); ~ *man*, journalist, operator of printing-~; ~ *mark*, mark, number, in book showing its place in library. [ME & F *presse*, as foll.]

préss', v.t. & i. 1. Exert steady force against (thing in contact), as *let a heavy weight ~ it*, ~ *it under* or *with a stone*, ~ *the two plates together*; ~ *the button*, set electric machinery in motion, (fig.) take decisive initial step; (as sign of affection

etc.) *he ~ed my hand*, ~ *ed her to his side*; move (thing up, down, against, etc.) by ~ing. 2. Exert pressure, bear with weight or force, (on, against, etc.). 3. Squeeze (juice etc. out of, from, etc.); compress, squeeze, (thing) to flatten or shape or smooth it, or to extract juice etc., as ~ *ed beef*. 4. (Of enemy, attacking force, etc.) bear heavily on, esp. in p.p. *hard ~ed*; weigh down, oppress, (feelings, mind, spirits); (pass.) *am ~ed for* (have barely enough) *space, time, funds*, etc. 5. Produce strong mental or moral impression, esp. weigh heavily, (upon) (mind, person). 6. Be urgent, demand immediate action, as *time ~es, nothing remains that ~es*. 7. Urge, entreat, (person to do, person or without object for answer etc.). 8. Insist on strict interpretation of (words, metaphor). 9. Urge (course, opinion, upon person); force (offer, gift, etc. upon). 10. Crowd, throng, (up, round, etc.); hasten, urge one's way, on, forward, etc. [*f. OF presser* f. L *pressare* frequent. of *premere press-*]

préss', v.t., & n. Force (man, or abs.) to serve in army or navy (also fig., esp. ~ thing into the service of); take (horses, boats, etc.) for royal or public use; (n., Hist.) compulsory enlistment in navy or (less usu.) army; ~ *gang*, body of men employed to ~ men. [earlier *prest* f. OF *prest* loan, advance, f. *prester* lend f. L *PRAE* (stare stand) vouch for, furnish]

préss'ing, a. In vbl senses, esp.: urgent, as ~ *need, danger*; importunate, persistent, as a ~ *invitation, since you are so ~*. Hence ~LY² adv. [PRESS¹ + -ING¹]

pré'ssure (-sher), n. 1. Exertion of continuous force, force so exerted, upon or against a body by another in contact with it; amount of this, expressed by the weight upon a unit area. 2. *Atmospheric~* (of the ATMOSPHERE; *high, low, ~*, local atmospheric condition sending barometer up, down); *blood~*, varying tension, now measured for diagnosis etc., of blood-vessels. 3. Affliction, oppression; trouble, embarrassment, as *financial ~*. 4. Urgency, as *wrote hastily & under ~*; constraining influence, as ~ *must be brought to bear upon him*. 5. *High ~*, (orig.) ~ higher than atmospheric (now indefinite, used esp. of compound engines in which steam is used at different ~s in different cylinders, so *low ~*), (fig.) high degree of activity, speed, etc., as *working at high ~*, *high~ work*. Hence **pré'ssurize** (-sher) v.t., (esp. in p.p.) construct (aircraft, cabin) so that air~, temperature, etc. can be controlled in such a way that high-altitude flying is possible without discomfort and without the use of oxygen apparatus. [obs. F, f. L *pressura* (as PRESS¹, see -URE)]

Prës'ter John (jôn), n. Alleged Christian priest & king in Abyssinia or some eastern country in Middle Ages. [f. OF *prestre* (as *PRESTYTER*) *Jehan* priest John]

prëstidî'gîtâtor, n. Juggler, conjurer. So **prëstidigî'tîon** n. [f. F *prestidigitateur* (*preste*, as *PRESTO* + *L digitus* finger, see -OR²)]

prëstige' (-êzh, or prës'tij), n. Influence, reputation, derived from past achievements, associations, etc. [F, =illusion, glamour, f. L *praestigium* (for -*strig*-) f. *PRÆ*(*stringere* bind) blindfold, dazzle]

prëstias'imô, a., adv., & n. (mus.). Very quick (piece, movement). [It., superl. as foll.]

prës'tô¹, a., adv., & n. (mus.). Quick (piece, movement). [It., f. LL *praestus* f. L *praesto* ready]

prës'tô², adv. & a. (In conjurer's formulae) quickly, as *hey ~, pass!*; (adj.) rapid, juggling. [=prec.]

prësûmie' (-z-), v.t. & i. Take the liberty, venture, (to do); assume, take for granted, as *I ~e that he has seen them*, *I ~e this decision to be final, you had better ~e no such thing*, whence ~**ABLE** a., ~**ABLY**¹, ~**ÉDLY**², adv., (-z-); ~e (up)on, take advantage of, make unscrupulous use of, (person's good nature, one's acquaintance with him, etc.), whence ~**INGLY**¹ (-z-) adv. [f. L *PRÆ*(*sumere* sumpt- take)]

prësûmp'tion (-z-), n. Arrogance, assurance; taking for granted, thing taken for granted, as *this was a mere ~*; *the (only natural) ~ is that he had lost it*; ground for presuming, as *there is a strong ~ against its truth*; (Law) ~ of fact, inference of fact from known facts, ~ of law, (1) assumption of truth of thing until the contrary is proved, (2) inference established by law as universally applicable to certain circumstances. [f. OF *presumption* f. L *praesumptionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

prësûmp'tive (-z-), a. Giving grounds for presumption, as ~ evidence, whence ~**LY**² adv.; *heir ~* (whose right of inheritance is liable to be defeated by birth of nearer heir, cf. APPARENT). [f. F *présomptif* f. LL *praesumptivus* (as PRESUME, see -IVE)]

prësûmp'tuous (-z-), a. Unduly confident, arrogant, forward. Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [f. OF *presuntueux* f. LL *praesumptuosus* = L *praesumptivus* (as PRESUME, see -IOUS)]

prësûppôse' (-z), v.t. Assume beforehand (thing, that); involve, imply, as *effects ~ causes*. [f. F *présupposer* (see PRE- & SUPPOSE)]

prësûppôsi'tion (-zi-), n. Presupposing; thing assumed beforehand as basis of argument etc. [f. med. L *PRÆ*(*suppositio* SUPPOSITION)]

prëtence', n. Claim (to merit etc.); ostentation, display, as *devoid of all ~*;

false **prëfession** of purpose, pretext, as *under the ~ of helping, on the slightest ~*; pretending, make-believe. [f. late AF *pretense*, as foll.]

prëtënd', v.t. & i. Feign, give oneself out, (to be or do), as *does not ~ to be a scholar*; make believe (to do, that) in play; profess falsely to have, as *you should ~ illness*; allege falsely (that); venture, aspire, presume, (to do); lay claim to (right, title, etc.); ~ to, try to win (person, person's hand) in marriage; ~ to, profess to have (quality etc.). Hence ~**ÉDLY**² adv. [f. L *PRÆ*(*tendere* tent- later *tens*- stretch)]

prëtën'der, n. One who makes baseless pretensions (to title etc., or abs.); *Old, Young, P-*, son, grandson, of James II as claimants to British throne. Hence ~**SHIP** n. [-ER¹]

prëtën'sion (-shn), n. Assertion of a claim (to thing, or abs.); justifiable claim (to thing, to be or do), as *he has no ~s to the name, has some ~s to be chosen as the vice, what ~ has he?*; pretentiousness. [prob. f. med. L *praetensio* -tio, (as PRETEND, see -ION)]

prëtën'tious (-shus), a. (Of person, book, speech, etc.) making claim to great merit or importance; ostentatious. Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [f. F *prétentieux* f. L *praetentiosus* (as prec., see -IOUS)]

prëter-, pref. = I. *praeter* past, beyond, in senses 'beyond, outside the range of, more than', as: ~*candine*, more than canine; ~*human*, beyond what is human, superhuman; ~*natural*, outside the ordinary course of nature, (also) supernatural, whence ~*naturally* adv.; ~*naturalism*, system, doctrine, of the ~natural; ~*sen'sual*, beyond the domain of the senses.

prët'erite, -it, a. & n. (Gram.) ~ (*tense*), one expressing past action or state, ~*present* (*tense*), one originally ~ but now used as present (e.g. *can, may, shall*); (Joc.) past, bygone, whence ~**NESS** n. [f. L *praeteritus* p.p. of *praeterire* pass (*ire* it-go, see prec.)]

prët'erition (-shn), n. Omission, disregard, (of); (Theol.) passing over of the non-elect. [f. LL *praeteritio* (as prec., see -ION)]

prët'ermit', v.t. (-it-). Omit to mention (fact etc.); omit to do or perform, neglect; leave off (custom, continuous action) for a time; (improp.) leave off. So ~**MISSIOn** (-shn) n. [f. L *praetermittere* (*mittere* miss-let go, see PRETER-)]

prët'ext¹, n. Ostensible reason, excuse; on or under, or upon, the ~ of or that, professing as one's object etc. [f. L *PRÆ*(*texere* text- weave)]

prët'ext², v.t. Allege (thing, that) as pretext. [f. F *prétexter*, as prec.]

prët'ône, n. Syllable, vowel, preceding the stressed syllable. So **prëtôn'ic** a. [PRÆ-]

pretor etc. See **PRAETOR** etc.

pre'tifly (pri-), v.t. Make pretty, represent with finicking prettiness. [-RY]

pre'tifly (pri-), adv. In a way that pleases the eye, ear, or aesthetic sense, as ~ dressed; (Nursery) eat, ask, behave, ~ (in the approved manner). [f. PRETTY + -LY²]

pre'tiness (pri-), n. Beauty of a dainty or childish kind; pretty thing, ornament, etc.; affected or trivial beauty of style in literature or art, so **pre'ttiness** (pri-) n. [-NESS]

pre'tty (pri-), a., adv., & n. 1. (Of woman or child) beautiful in dainty or diminutive way; attractive to eye, ear, or aesthetic sense, as ~ cottage, song, scene, story; fine, good of its kind, as has a ~ wit, very ~ sport, (iron.) a ~ mess you have made; ♀ (arch.) fine, stout, as a ~ fellow; || (arch.) considerable in amount or extent, as earned a ~ sum; (ellipt.) my ~ (one, child). 2. adv. Fairly, moderately, as am ~ well, find it ~ difficult, that is ~ much (very nearly) the same thing. 3. n. || Fluted or cut part of wine-glass or tumbler, as fill it up to the ~; (Golf) fairway (colloq.). 4. ~~, overdoing the ~, aiming too much at prettiness, (n. pl.) ~-pretties, ornaments, knick-knacks. Hence ~ish¹ a. [OE *prættig* (*prætt* trick, cf. Du. *part*, pret, Norw. *pretta*, see -Y²)]

pre'tzel, b-, n. Crisp knot-shaped biscuit flavoured with salt, used esp. by Germans as relish with beer. [G]

preux chevalier (prê shévályá'), n. Gallant knight. [F]

prevail, v.i. Gain the mastery, be victorious, (against, over); ~ (upon, persuade (to do); be the more usual or prominent, predominate; exist, occur, in general use or experience, be current, whence or cogn. ~ingly², **prev'alently**², adv., **prev'alence** n., **prev'alent** a. [f. L *PRÆ*(*valēre* have power)]

prevā'riciāte, v.i. Speak, act, evasively; quibble, equivocate. So ~A'TION, ~ātor², nn. [f. L *PRÆ*(*varicare* straddle f. *varicus* straddling f. *varus* bent) walk crookedly, deviate, practise collusion]

prevē'lent, a. Preceding, previous; having in view the prevention (of); (Theol.) ~ grace (preceding repentance & predisposing the heart to seek God). [as foll., see -ENT]

prevēnt, v.t. Hinder, stop, as this may ~ him from writing, ~ his (pop. him) writing, wish to ~ all dispute; || (arch.) meet, deal with, (wish, question, etc.) before it is expressed etc.; (Theol.) God ~s (goes before, guides) us with His grace. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~IBLE, aa., **prevē'ntion** n. [f. L *PRÆ*(*venire* vent-come) come before, hinder]

prevēn'ter, n. In vbl senses, also; (Naut.)

rope, chain, bolt, etc., used to supplement another. [-ER¹]

prevē'n'tive, a. & n. 1. Serving to prevent, esp. (Med.) to keep off disease; || P~ (Coastguard) Service. 2. n. ~ agent, measure, drug, etc. Hence or cogn. **prevē'n'tative** a. & n., ~LY² adv. [-IVE]

prev'iew (-vū), n., & v.t. View or examination of a film, play, book, etc., before it is submitted to the general public; (v.t.) view in advance of public presentation. [PRE-]

prev'ious, a. & adv. 1. Coming before in time or order; prior to; (sl.) done or acting hastily, as you have been a little too ~, whence ~NESS n.; (Parl.) ~ question, question whether vote shall be taken on main question (put to avoid putting of main question); || P~ Examination = LITTLE-go. 2. adv. ~ to, before, as had called ~ to writing. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *PRÆ*(*vius* f. *via* way) + -OUS]

previse' (-z), v.t. Foresee, forecast, (event etc., or abs.). So **previ'sion** (-zhū) n., **previ'sional** a., **previ'sionally**² adv., (-zhō-). [f. L *PRÆ*(*vidēre* vis- see)]

prey¹ (prā), n. Animal hunted or killed by carnivorous animal for food (also fig.); beast, bird, fish, of ~, kinds that kill & devour other animals; (Bibl.) what one brings away safe from contest etc. (*Jer.* xxi. 9); person, thing, that falls a victim (to enemy, disease, fear, etc.). [f. OE *preie*, *proie*, f. L *praeda*]

prey² (prā), v.i. ~ upon, seek, take, (animal etc.) as prey, plunder (persons); (of disease, emotion, etc.) exert baneful or wasteful influence upon. [f. OE *preer* f. LL *praedare* as prece.]

pri'apism, n. Licentiousness; (Path.) persistent erection of penis. [f. LL f. Gk *priapismos* (*Priapos*, god of procreation, see -ISM)]

price, n., & v.t. 1. Money for which thing is bought or sold, as what is the ~ of this?, try our superb tea, ~ 3/6 per lb., offered at reduced ~s; ~ current, ~list, list of current ~s of commodities; LONG¹, COST¹, ~; above, beyond, without, ~, so valuable that no ~ can be stated; *set ~ on* person's head, offer reward for his capture or death; (Betting) odds, as the starting ~ of a horse; (fig.) what must be given, done, sacrificed, etc., to obtain a thing, as must be done at any ~; every man has his ~ (can be won over by some inducement); would not have it, do it, etc., at any ~, on any terms, for any consideration; || what ~ the Concert of Europe etc.? (sl.), taunting allusion to the failure of something vaunted; || (arch.) preciousness, value. 2. v.t. Fix, inquire, the ~ of (thing for sale); (fig.) estimate the value of. (n.) f. OE *pris* f. L *pretium*; ME *pris* became *prise* to secure it, and *price* to avoid it

sound of *s* between vowels; (vb) earlier *prise* PRIZE¹; *price*, *prize*, *praise*, are all variants of same wd]

priced (-ist), *a.* To which a price is assigned, esp. in comb., as *high*, *low*, ~; ~ *catalogue* etc. (in which prices are named). [-ED¹, ²]

price'less (-sl-), *a.* Invaluable; (sl.) most amusing, incredibly absurd. Hence ~NESS *n.* [-LESS]

prick¹, *n.* Pricking, puncture; (fig.) ~s (stinging reflections) of conscience; mark made by pricking; || (arch.) goad for oxen, esp. (fig.) *kick against the ~s*, hurt oneself by useless resistance (*Acts ix. 5*); (vulg.) penis: ~ears, erect pointed ears of some dogs etc.; conspicuous ears of person, esp. of Roundheads, ~eared, having such ears. [OE *prica*, -ce, cf. Du. & Da. *prik*, Sw. *prick*, cogn. w. foll.]

prick², *v.t. & i.* 1. Pierce slightly, make minute hole in; ~ *a* or *the bladder* or *bubble*, show the emptiness of a person or thing that has passed for important; (fig.) cause sharp pain to, as *my conscience* ~ed me. 2. Make a thrust (*at*, *into*, etc.). 3. (arch.). Spur, urge on, (horse); (intr.) advance on horseback. 4. Mark off (name etc. in list) with a prick, || select (sheriff) thus; mark (pattern off, out) with dots. 5. ~ *in*, *out*, *off*, plant (seedlings etc.) in small holes ~ed in earth; ~ *up* one's ears, (of dog) erect the ears when on the alert, (fig., of person) become suddenly attentive. [late OE *prician*, cf. Du. *prikken*, Da. *prikke*]

prick'er, *n.* In vbl senses, esp., pricking instrument, e.g.awl. [-ER¹]

prick'et, *n.* || Buck in second year, with straight unbranched horns; || ~s *sister*, female fallow deer in second year; spike to stick candle on. [prob. f. med. L *priketus* f. *PRICK*, see -ET]

prick'le¹, *n., & v.t. & i.* 1. Thorn-like process developed from, & capable of being peeled off with, epidermis of plant; (pop.) small thorn; hard-pointed spine of hedgehog etc. 2. vb. Affect, be affected, with sensation as of pricks, whence **prick'ling**¹ *n.*, **prick'ling**² *a.* [OE *pruel* f. stem of *PRICK*, cf. Du. *prikkel*]

|| **prick'le**², *n.* Kinds of wicker basket or measure. [?]

prick'ly, *a.* Armed with prickles (esp. in names of plants & animals): tingling; ~ *heat*, inflammation of sweat glands with eruption of vesicles & ~ sensation, common in hot countries; ~ *pear*, (~ plant bearing) pear-shaped edible fruit. Hence **prick'liness** *n.* [-Y²]

pride, *n., & v. refl.* 1. Overweening opinion of one's own qualities, merits, etc., a deadly sin, often personified, as *P~ will have a fall*; arrogant bearing or conduct; ~ of place, exalted position, consciousness of this, arrogance; (also *proper* ~) sense of what befits one's position, pre-

venting one from doing unworthy thing, *false ~*, mistaken feeling of this kind; feeling of elation & pleasure, as *take a ~ in*, be proud of (person, thing, doing); object of this feeling, as *he is his mo'her's ~*, esp. in names of plants, as *LONDON ~*; (Her.) *peacock in his ~* (with tail expanded and wings drooping); company (of lions); best condition, esp. ~ of GREASE¹; ~ of the morning, mist or shower at sunrise. 2. *v. refl.* ~ oneself (*up*) on, be proud of (thing, quality, doing). Hence ~FUL (chiefly Sc.), ~LESS, *aa.*, ~FULLY² *adv.* [(vb) ME *priden*, (*n.*) OE *prīto*, -tu, -te (*prāt* PROUD)]

prie-dieu (prēdyŏr', & see Ap.), *n.* Kneeling-desk; (also ~ *chair*) chair with tall sloping back for use in praying. [F, lit. pray God]

priest, *n., & v.t.* 1. (Now usu. *clergyman*, exc. in official use) clergyman, esp. one above deacon & below bishop with authority to administer sacraments & pronounce absolution; (fig.) ~ of nature, science, etc.; minister of the altar, esp. officiant at Eucharist; HIGH ~; official minister of non-Christian religion, whence ~ESS¹ *n.* 2. || Mallet used to kill fish when spent (chiefly in Ireland). 3. ~craft, ambitious or worldly policy of ~s; ~s *hood*, ~in-the-pulpit, wild arum; ~ridden, held in subjection by ~s; || ~ *vicar*, minor canon in some cathedrals. 4. *v.t.* Make (person) a ~. Hence ~HOOD (-t-h-), ~LING¹, *nn.*, ~LESS, ~LIKE *aa.* [(vb f. *n.*) OE *prēst*, ult. as PRESBYTER]

priest'ly, *a.* Of, like, befitting, a priest; (O. T. criticism) ~y code, one of the constituent elements in the Hexateuch, ~y writer (of this). Hence ~INESS *n.* [-LY¹]

prig, *n., & v.t. (-gg-)*. 1. Precisian in speech or manners, conceited or didactic person, whence ~g'TRY(2), ~g'ishness, ~g'ISM, *un.*, ~g'ISH¹ *a.*, ~g'ishly² *adv.*, (-g-); (sl.) thief. 2. *v.t.* (sl.). Steal. [orig. cant, etym. dub.]

prim, *a., & v.i. & t. (-nn-)*. (Of persons, manner, speech, etc.) formal, demure; (v.i.) assume ~ air; (v.t.) form (face, lips, etc.) into ~ expression. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. 17th c., orig. cant]

prim'a (prē-), *a.* First, chief; as: ~ buff'a (bōō-), chief female comic singer or actress; ~ donn'a, (pl. ~ donnas, *prime donne* pr. prēm'ā dōn'ā), chief female singer in opera, (transf.) temperamental person. [It., fem. adj.]

prim'acy, *n.* Office of a primate; pre-eminence. [f. OF *primacie* f. med. L *primatia* (as PRIMATE, see -ACY)]

prim'a fā'cie (-shlō, *adv. & a.* (Arising) at first sight, (based) on the first impression, as *has ~ a good case*, see a ~ reason for it. [L]

prim'age¹, *n.* Percentage addition to freight, paid to owners or freighters of vessels. [med. L *primagium*, etym. dub.]

prim'age¹, n. Amount of water carried off suspended in steam from boiler. [f. **PRIME** v. + **-AGE**]

prim'al, a. Primitive, primeval; chief, fundamental. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. med. L *primālis* (as **PRIME** a., see **-AL**)]

prim'ary, a. & n. 1. Earliest, original; of the first rank in a series, not derived, as the ~ vowel sounds, ~ meaning of a word; of the first importance, chief; (Geol.) of the lowest series of strata; (Biol.) belonging to first stage of development; ~ *amputation* (performed before inflammation supervenes); ~ *education*, that which begins with the rudiments of knowledge, esp. that provided for children liable to compulsory attendance, so ~ *school, scholar* (cf. **SECONDARY**); (Gram.) ~ *tenses*, present, future, perfect, & future perfect, (cf. **HISTORIC**); ~ *assembly, meeting* (for selection of candidates for election); ~ **COLOUR**; ~ *planets* (revolving directly round sun as centre); ~ *battery* (in which current is produced). 2. n. ~ planet, meeting, etc. Hence **prim'arily**² adv. [f. L *primarius* (as **PRIME** a., see **-ARY**¹)]

prim'ate, n. Archbishop; P~ of England, Archbishop of York, P~ of all England, Archbishop of Canterbury; (Zool.) sing. of foll. Hence **prima'tial** (-āshl) a. [f. LL *primas-atīs* (as **PRIME** a.)]

primāt'ēs (-z), n. pl. (zool.); for sing., see **prec.**. Highest order of mammals, including man, monkeys, lemurs, & (in Linnaean order) bats. [as **prec.**]

prime¹, n. State of highest perfection, as in the ~ of life, manhood, etc.; the best part (of thing); beginning, first age, of anything; a canonical hour of the divine office, appointed for first hour of day (i.e. 6 a.m. or sunrise), (arch.) this time: (arch.) **GOLDEN** number; prime number; (Chem.) single atom as unit in combination; a position in fencing. [partly abs. use of foll.; OE has *prim*, the canonical hour, f. L *prima* (hora) first (hour)]

prime², a. Chief, most important, as ~ agent, motive; first-rate (esp. of cattle & provisions), excellent, whence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n.; primary, fundamental; (Arith., of a number) having no integral factors except itself and unity (e.g. 2, 3, 5, 7, 11), (of numbers) having no common measure but unity; ~ **COST**¹, **MOVER**; ~ *vertical* (circle), great circle of the heavens passing through E. & W. points of horizon & through zenith, where it cuts meridian at right angles; ~ *minister*, principal minister of any sovereign or State (now official title of first minister of State in Great Britain). [f. L *primus* first]

prime³, v. t. & i. (Hist.) supply (fire-arm, or abs.) with gunpowder for firing charge; wet (pump) to make it start working; equip (person with information etc.); fill (person with liquor); cover (wood etc.) with first coat of paint or with oil etc. to

prevent paint from being absorbed; (of engine boiler) let water pass with steam into cylinder in form of spray. [1]

prim'er¹, n. 1. (usu. pri-). Elementary school-book for teaching children to read; small introductory book, as P~ of *Evolution*, Latin P~; (Hist.) prayer-book for use of laity esp. before Reformation (pri-). 2. (pri-). Great, long, ~, sizes of **TYPE**. [f. med. L *primarius* adj. (as **PRIME**², see **-ER**²)]

prim'er², n. In vbl senses of **PRIME**², esp. cap, cylinder, etc., used to ignite powder of cartridge etc. [-**ER**¹]

prim'er³, n. (hist.). Gambling card-game fashionable in 16th & 17th cc. [f. Sp. *primera* fem. of *primero*, as **PRIMARY**]

primeur (prémér'), n. First-fruits; fruit etc. before its season; early news. [F; affected by E journalists]

prim'ev'al, -aeval, a. Of the first age of the world; ancient, primitive. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *primaevus* (*primus* first + *aeuvum* age) + **-AL**]

prim'ing¹, n. In vbl senses of **PRIME**²; also or esp.: gunpowder placed in pan of fire-arm; train of powder connecting fuse with charge in blasting etc.; mixture used by painters for preparatory coat; preparation of sugar added to beer; hasty imparting of knowledge, cramming. [-**ING**¹]

prim'ing², n. Acceleration of the tides taking place from neap to spring tides (cf. **LAG**¹). [f. rare vb *prime* f. **PRIME**²]

primip'arous, a. Bearing child for the first time. [f. L *primipara* ~ woman (also used in E) f. *primus* first + *parēre* bring forth]

prim'itive, a. & n. 1. Early, ancient, as the P~ Church (Christian Church in its earliest times); old-fashioned, simple, rude; original, primary; (Gram., of words) radical, not derivative; (Math., of line, figure, etc.) from which another is derived, from which some construction begins, etc.; (of colours) primary; (Geol.) of the earliest period; (Biol.) appearing in earliest or very early stage of growth etc.; P~ *Methodist Connexion*, society of Methodists founded 1810 by Hugh Bourne by secession from main body, P~ *Methodist, Methodism*, member, principles, of this. 2. n. Painter of period before Renaissance, picture by such painter; ~ word, line, etc.; P~ *Methodist*. Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [ME & F *primitif* f. L *primitivus* (as **PRIME**²)]

prim'ō¹ (prē-), n. (mus.). Upper part in duet etc. [It.]

prim'ō², adv. ~, *sécun'dō*, *tēr'tiō* (-shē). In the first, second, third, place (written 1^o, 2^o, 3^o). [L]

primogén'itor, n. Earliest ancestor; (loosely) ancestor. [med. L, f. L *primor* (at) first + *genitor* begetter (*gignere* genit-bring forth, see **-OR**²), after L *primogenitus* first-born]

primogén'iture, n. Fact of being the

first-born of the children of the same parents; (*right of*) *ure*, right of succession belonging to the first-born, esp. feudal rule by which whole real estate of intestate passes to eldest son. So ~AL, ~ARY¹, as. [f. med. L *primogenitura* (as prec., see -URE)]

primord'ial, a. Existing at or from the beginning, primeval; original, fundamental. Hence ~TRY (-āl) n., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *primordialis* (L *primordium* f. *primus* first + *ordiri* begin, see -AL)]

prim'rose (-z), n. Plant bearing pale yellow flowers in early spring; flower of this; (attrib.) of the colour of this flower; *the ~ path*, the pursuit of pleasure (w. ref. to *Hamlet* i. iii. 50); || *P~Day, League*, anniversary of the death (Apr. 19th, 1881) of, Conservative association formed in memory of, Benjamin Disraeli Earl of Beaconsfield; *P~dame, knight, habitation*, (of the P~League); ~ *peerless*, two-flowered narcissus, (formerly) any species of narcissus. Hence **prim'rosy**² (-z-) a. [late ME *primerose* f. med. L *prima rosa* lit. first rose, sense unexpl.]

prim'ula, n. Kind of herbaceous perennial with yellow, white, pink, or purple flowers. [med. L, fem. adj. as n., dim. as PRIME¹]

prim'um mōb'ilē, n. Outermost sphere added in Middle Ages to Ptolemaic system, supposed to revolve round earth in 24 hours carrying with it the contained spheres; (fig.) prime source of motion or action. [med. L, lit. first moving thing]

prim'us¹, a. & n. 1. || (In boys' school) eldest (or of longest standing) of the name, as *Jones ~* (usu. written *Jones i.*; similarly *secundus ii.*, *tertius iii.*, *quartus iv.*, *quintus v.*, *sextus vi.*, *septimus vii.*, *octavus viii.*, *nonus ix.*, *decimus x.*); (L) ~ *inter pār'es* (-z), first among equals, senior or spokesman of a board of colleagues. 2. n. || Presiding bishop in Scottish Episcopal Church. [L, =first]

prim'us², n. Brand of stove burning vaporized oil for cooking etc. [P]

prince, n. 1. (Now rhet.) sovereign ruler; *P~ of Peace*, Christ; ~ *of darkness*, the air, the world, etc., Satan. 2. Ruler of small State, actually or nominally feudatory to king or emperor. 3. Male member of royal family, esp. (in Great Britain) son or grandson of king or queen (also ~ *of the blood*). 4. *P~ of Wales*, heir apparent to British throne (*P~ of Wales's feathers*, triple ostrich plume); *P~ Consort*, husband of reigning female sovereign being himself a ~; *P~ of Denmark*, Hamlet (*Hamlet without the P~ of Denmark*, thing robbed of its essence). 5. (As English rendering of foreign titles) noble usu. ranking next below duke; (as courtesy title in some connexions) duke, marquis, earl; (title of cardinal) ~ *of the Holy Roman Church*. 6. (fig.). Chief, greatest,

(*of novelists, liars, etc.*). 7. **P~ Albert* (colloq.), frock-coat; ~ *bishop*, bishop who is also a ~; *P~ Regent*, ~ who acts as regent, e.g. George (afterwards IV); ~ *royal*, eldest son of reigning monarch; *P~ Rupert's drops*, pear-shaped lumps of glass bursting to pieces when thin ends are broken off; ~'s *feather*, kinds of plant, esp. tall plant with feathery spikes of small red flowers; ~'s *metal*, alloy of copper & zinc. Hence ~'DOM (-ad-), ~'KIN (-sk-), ~'LET, ~'LING²(2), (-sl-), nn., ~'LIKE (-sl-), a. [F, f. L *princeps* -cipis first, prince, (*primus* first + *cipere* = *capere* take)]

prince'ly (-sl-), a. (Worthy) of a prince; sumptuous, splendid. Hence ~NESS n. [-LY¹]

prin'cess (or -ēs' *exc.* when followed by name), n. (Arch.) queen; wife of prince; (also ~ *of the blood*) daughter, granddaughter, of sovereign; ~ *royal*, (title conferable on) sovereign's eldest daughter; *P~ Regent*, ~ acting as regent, (also) wife of prince regent; ~ *dress, petticoat*, of which the lengths of bodice & skirt are cut in one piece. [ME & F *princesse* (as PRINCE, see -ESS¹)]

prin'cipal, a. & n. 1. First in rank or importance, chief, as *their ~ food* is *potatoes*, *the ~ town of the district*, the ~ *persons concerned*; ~ *boy, girl*, actress who takes leading male, female, part in pantomime; main, leading, as a ~ *cause of his failure*. 2. (Of money) constituting the original sum invested or lent. 3. (gram.). ~ *sentence, clause*, one to which another is subordinate; ~ *parts of verb*, those from which the others can be derived. 4. n. Head, ruler, superior; head of some colleges (*lady ~*, female head), whence ~SHIP n. 5. Person for whom another acts as agent etc., as *I must consult my ~*; person directly responsible for crime, either (~ *in the first degree*) as actual perpetrator or (~ *in the second degree*) as aiding; person for whom another is surety; combatant in duel. 6. Any of the main rafters on which rest the purlins that support the common rafters. 7. Capital sum as distinguished from interest or from income. 8. Organ diapason stop sounding octave above normal. [f. L *principalis* adj. (as PRINCE, see -AL)]

principāl'it'y, n. Government of a prince; State ruled by a prince; || *the P~*, Wales; (pl.) an ORDER¹ of angels. [f. OF *principālitē* f. LL *principalitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

prin'cipally, adv. For the most part, chiefly. [-LY¹]

prin'cipate, n. (Rom. Hist.) rule of early emperors while some republican forms were retained; State ruled by a prince. [f. L *principatus* (as PRINCE, see -ATE¹)]

prin'ciple, n. 1. Fundamental source,

primary element, as *held water to be the first ~ of all things*. 2. Fundamental truth as basis of reasoning etc., as (*first*) ~s of *political economy*; (Physics) general law (often with discoverer's name, as *Pascal's ~*); general law as guide to action, as *moral, conservative, ~s, a dangerous ~*, whence *-prin'ciple*^d (-ld) a.; (pl. & collect. sing.) personal code of right conduct, as *a man of high ~, has ability but no ~s, ~ is everything; on ~, from settled moral motive, as I refuse on ~* (not from selfish motive etc.). 3. Law of nature seen in working of machine etc., as *in all these instruments the ~ is the same*. 4. (Chem.) constituent of a substance, esp. one giving rise to some quality etc., as *bitter, colouring, ~*. [f. L *principium* beginning, as PRINCE]

prink, v.t. & i. Make (oneself etc.) spruce; dress oneself up; (of bird) trim (feathers); dress oneself up. [cogn. w. PRANK¹]

print¹, n. 1. Indentation in surface preserving the form left by pressure of some body, as *finger~, foot~*, whence *~LESS* a. 2. Printed cotton fabric, as (attrib.) *~ dress*. 3. Language embodied in printed form, printed lettering, as *large, small, clear, ~*; state of being printed; *book is in ~*, (1) in printed form, (2) on sale, not out of ~ (sold out); (of writer) *rush into ~*, publish book, write to newspaper etc., on insufficient grounds; (chiefly U.S.) printed publication, esp. newspaper; picture, design, printed from block or plate; (Photog.) picture produced from negative. 4. *~ hand, letters* (imitating ~); *~ seller*, dealer in engravings etc.; *~ shop*, his shop; *~ works*, factory where cotton fabrics are printed. [ME *prent* f. OF *prentic*, -nt, p.p. of *preindre* press f. L *premere*]

print², v.t. 1. Impress, stamp, (surface, e.g. pat of butter, with seal, die, etc.; a mark or figure on, in, yielding or other surface); (fig.) impress (idea, scene, etc., on mind, memory). 2. Produce (book, picture, etc., or abs.) by applying inked types, blocks, or plates, to paper, vellum, etc.; (of author or editor) cause (book, MS.) to be so ~ed; express, publish, in print, as *not bound to ~ every opinion you hold*; write (words, or abs.) in imitation of typography. 3. Mark (textile fabric) with decorative design in colours; transfer (coloured design) from paper etc. to unglazed surface of pottery. 4. (Photog., also ~ out, off) produce (picture) by transmission of light through negative. Hence ~ABLE a. [ME *prenten*, prob. f. prec.]

prin'ter, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who prints books; owner of printing business; printing instrument; *P~s Bible* (with *P~s* for *Princes*, Ps. cxix. 161); *~s devil*¹; *~s mark* (device, trade-mark); *~s pie*, = *PIE*² n. [-ER¹]

prin'ting, n. In vbl senses; *~ ink, ~*

press, (for ~ on paper etc. from types etc.). [-ING¹]

pri'or¹, n. Superior officer of religious house or order, (in abbey) officer next under abbot, so ~ESS¹ n.; (Hist.) chief magistrate in some Italian republics. Hence or cogn. ~ATE¹(1), ~SHIP, nn. [OE as foll.]

pri'or², a. & adv. 1. Earlier; antecedent in time, order, or importance, (to). 2. adv. ~ to, before, as *existing ~ to his appointment*. So *priō'rity* n. (also, an interest having a ~ claim to consideration; in recent use freq. with qualification, as *a first, top, ~ity*). [L, f. OL *pri* before]

pri'ory, n. Monastery, nunnery, governed by prior(ess); *alien ~*, ~ *alien*, (dependent on abbey in foreign country). [f. AF *priorie* f. med. L *prioria* (as prec., see -Y¹)]

|| **prise**. See PRIZE².

pris'm, n. Solid figure whose two ends are similar, equal, & parallel rectilinear figures, & whose sides are parallelograms; transparent body of this form, usu. triangular, with refracting surfaces at acute angle with each other; (loosely) spectrum produced by refraction through ~, (pl.) prismatic colours; *~ glasses, binoculars* (in which triangular ~s are used to shorten the instrument); PRUNE¹s & ~. Hence **pris'mal** (-z-) a. [f. LLf. Gk *prisma* -matos thing sawn (*prizō* saw, see -M)]

prismat'ic (-z-) a. Of, like, a prism; *~ compass*, hand-compass used in survey work, with attached prism enabling the dial to be read while the sight is taken; *~ powder*, gunpowder whose grains are hexagonal prisms; (of colours) formed, distributed, etc., by transparent prism, (also) brilliant, so **pris'my**² (-z-) a.; *the ~ colours*, seven into which ray of light is separated by prism. Hence **prismat'ically** (-z-) adv. [as prec., see -IC]

pris'moid (-z-) n. Body like prism, with similar but unequal parallel polygonal ends. Hence **prismoid'al** (-z-) a. [-OID]

pris'on (-zn), n., & v.t. 1. Place in which person is kept in captivity, esp. building to which person is legally committed while awaiting trial or for punishment; custody, confinement, as *lie, put* (person), *in ~*; *~ bird*, = GAOL-bird; *~ breaking*, breaking out of lawfully confined person from ~, so *~ breaker*; *~ editor*, editor of newspaper who takes legal responsibility for its contents & serves terms of imprisonment entailed by conviction; *~ house* (usu. rhet.), ~. 2. v.t. (poet.). Imprison. [(vb f. n.) ME & OF *prison*, -on, f. L *prisonem* (*pre*(h)ndere *prēns*- seize, see -ION, -SON)]

pris'oner (-zn-), n. Person kept in prison; *~ at the bar*, person in custody on criminal charge & on trial; *~ of State, State ~*, (confined for political reasons); (also *~ of war*)

one who has been captured in war; *take* (person) ~, seize & hold as ~; (fig.) *am a* ~ (confined by illness etc.) *to my room or chair, made her hand a* ~ (secured it); ~s' *bars, base*, game played by two parties of boys etc., each occupying distinct base or home. [f. F *prisonnier*, as prec., see -ER²(2)]

pris'tine, a. Ancient, primitive, good old. [f. L *pristinus*, cf. *priscus* ancient, *primus* first]

|| **prith'ee** (-dhi), int. (arch.). Pray, please, as *tell me*, ~. [= (I) pray thee]

priv'acy (also pri-), n. Being withdrawn from society or public interest, as *lived in absolute* ~, *must disturb your* ~; avoidance of publicity, as *in such matters* ~ is impossible. [PRIVATE, -ACY]

privat-docent, -sent, (prévaht' dōtsēnt'), n. (In German univ.) private teacher or lecturer recognized by university but not on salaried staff. [G]

priv'ate, a. & n. 1. (Of person) not holding public office or official position; || ~ (soldier), ordinary soldier without rank, one below non-commissioned officers (freq. prefixed, as *P~ Smith*); ~ member of House of Commons (not member of Government). 2. Kept, removed, from public knowledge, as *the matter was kept* ~, *had* ~ reasons. 3. Not open to the public, as ~ door, news, came through ~ channels, ~ boarding-house, carriage, hotel, theatricals; ~ view (of exhibition of pictures esp. before it is opened to the public). 4. ~ house, dwelling-house of ~ person (opp. to his shop or office, to public house, or to public building); ~ parts, genitals (~protector, guard worn at cricket etc.); ~ school (|| carried on for owner's profit, cf. PUBLIC; ~ schoolmaster, of or in this). 5. One's own, as *my* ~ goods, property; individual, personal, not affecting the community, as *motives of* ~ malice; (Parl.) ~ bill, act (affecting individual or corporation only). 6. Confidential, as *asked for some* ~ conversation; *this is for your* ~ ear (confidential). 7. (Of place) retired, secluded; (arch., of person) given to retirement. 8. *In* ~, ~ly, in ~ company or life. 9. n. pl. ~ parts. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *privatus*, orig. p.p. of *privare* deprive]

privateer', n. Armed vessel owned & officered by private persons holding commission from government (letters of MARQUE) & authorized to use it against hostile nation esp. in capture of merchant shipping, whence ~ING¹(1) n.; commander, (pl.) crew, of this. [f. prec. + -ER, prob. after *volunteer*]

priv'ation, n. Loss, absence, (of quality), as *cold is the* ~ of heat; want of the comforts or necessities of life, as *died of* ~, *suffered many* ~s. [F, f. L *privationem* (PRIVATE, -ATION)]

priv'ative, a. Consisting in, marked by,

the loss or removal or absence of some quality or attribute, as *cold is merely* ~ (cf. prec.); (of terms) denoting privation or absence of quality etc.; (Gram., of particles etc.) expressing privation, as (Gk Gram.) *alpha* ~ (a=not-). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *privativus* (as PRIVATE, see -IVE)]

priv'et, n. Bushy evergreen shrub with small white flowers & small shining black berries, much used for hedges; ~hawke, large species of moth depositing eggs on ~. [f]

priv'ilege, n., & v.t. 1. Right, advantage, immunity, belonging to person, class, or office (~ of Parliament, those of either House or its members; breach of ~, esp., infringement of any of these); special advantage or benefit, as *to converse with him was a* ~; ~ (BENEFIT¹) of clergy; bill of ~, petition of peer demanding to be tried by his peers; writ of ~, writ to deliver ~d person from custody when arrested in civil suit; monopoly, patent, granted to individual, corporation, etc.; || ~ cab (admitted to stand for hire in private places esp. railway station). 2. v.t. Invest with ~, allow (person to do) as ~; exempt (person from burden etc.). Hence **priv'ileged**¹ (-ijd) a. [(vb f. F *privilegier* f. mod. L *privilegiare*) f. L *privilegium* bill, law, affecting an individual (*privus* private + *lex legis* law)]

priv'ity, n. (Law) any relation between two parties that is recognized by law, o.g. that of blood, lease, service; being privy (to designs etc.). [f. OF *priveté* f. L *privus* private, see -RY]

priv'y, a. & n. 1. (Of things, places, etc.) hidden, secluded; ~ parts, external organs of sex; (of action) secret, whence **priv'ily**² adv.; ~ to, in the secret of (person's designs etc.). 2. || *P~ Council*, sovereign's private counsellors, (in Great Britain) body of advisers chosen by sovereign (now chiefly as personal dignity, most functions being performed by Cabinet, committees, etc.) together with princes of blood, archbishops, etc.; || ~ counsellor, -cillor, private adviser, esp. (abbr. P.C.) member of P~ Council; || ~ purse, allowance from public revenue for monarch's private expenses, keeper of this; || ~ seal, seal affixed to documents that are afterwards to pass, or that do not require, the Great Seal; Lord (keeper of the) *P~ Seal*. 3. n. Private place of ease, latrine, (arch.); (Law) person having a part or interest in any action, matter, or thing. [f. F *privé* PRIVATE]

prize¹, n., & v.t. 1. Reward given as symbol of victory or superiority to student in school or college who excels in attainments, to competitor in athletic contest, to exhibitor of best specimen of manufactured products, works of art,

etc., in exhibition; (fig.) anything striven for or worth striving for, as *many ~s in the Church, missed all the great ~s of life*; money or money's worth offered for competition by chance, in lottery, etc. 2. (attrib.). ~ *ox, poem*, etc. (to which ~ is adjudged in show, competition, etc.). 3. || ~ *fellowship* (given as reward for eminence in examination), ~ *fellow*, holder of this; ~ *fight*, boxing-match for money, so ~ *fighter*, ~ *fighting*, nn.; ~ *man*, winner of (often specified) ~, as *Smith's ~man*, winner of Smith's P; ~ *ring*, enclosed area (now usu. square) for, (fig.) practice of, ~ *fighting*. 4. v.t. Value highly, as *we ~ liberty more than life*. Hence ~ *LESS* a. [(n.) differentiation of PRICE;] (vb) f. OF *priser*, *preisier*, PRAISE]

prize¹, n., & v.t. Ship, property, captured at sea in virtue of rights of war; || ~ *court*, department of admiralty court concerned with ~s; || ~ *money* (realized by sale of ~); *make ~ of* (cargo, ship, etc.), seize thus; *become (lawful etc.) ~*, be thus seized; (fig.) find or windfall (*see what a ~ I have found!*); (v.t.) *make ~ of*. [(vb f. n.) f. F *prise* taking, capture, f. Rom. *prensa* f. L *pre(h)ndere* -hens- seize]

|| **prize**², -se, v.t., & n. Force (lid etc. *up, out*, box etc. *open*) by leverage; (n.) leverage, purchase. [(vb f. n.) as *prec.*]

prō¹, prep. ~ *form* a. & a., (done) for form's sake; ~ *hac vī'cē*, for this occasion only; ~ *rdī'a* adv. & a., proportional(ly); ~ *re nāl'a* adv. & a., for an occasion as it arises, as *a meeting held ~ re nata*, a ~ *re nata* meeting; ~ *tān'tō*, so far, to that extent; ~ *tēm'porē* adv. & a. (abbr. *pro tēm.*), for the time, as *made secretary pro tēm.*, the *pro tem.* secretary. [L]

prō², n. (colloq.; pl. ~s). A PROFESSIONAL. [abbr.]

prō³, pref. (before vowel occas. in earlier form *prod-*) = L *pro* in front of, for, on behalf of, instead of, on account of. As living E pref. 1. In sense 'substitute(d) for', as ~ *cathed'ral* a. & n., (church) used as substitute for cathedral, || ~ *proc'tor*, assistant or deputy proctor in univ., ~ *rec'tor*, vice-rector in univ. etc.; ~ *leg*, fleshy abdominal limb of larvae of some insects, e.g. caterpillars. 2. In sense '(person) favouring or siding with' (cf. ANTI-), as ~ *Bo'er* a. & n., ~ *Bril'ish*, ~ *educ'ational*, ~ *neg'ro* a. & n., ~ *pap'ist* a. & n., ~ *slav'ery*, ~ *la'riff-reform*.

pro⁴, pref. = Gk *pro* before (in time, place, order, etc.), in wds f. Gk & in mod. scientific wds.

prō⁵ a. n. Malay boat, esp. a type of sailing-boat. [f. Malay *prahu*, also used in E]

prō and cōn, adv. & n. 1. (Of arguments or reasons) for & against, on both sides. 2. n. pl. *Pros & cons*, reasons for & against. [f. L *pro et contra*]

prōbabil'iorism, n. (R.-C. casuistry). Doctrine that the side on which evidence

preponderates ought to be followed (cf. foll.). So ~ *IST* n. [f. L *probabilior* more PROBABLE + ISM]

prōb'abil'ism, n. Doctrine that where authorities differ any course may be followed for which recognized doctor of the Church can be cited (cf. *prec.*); theory that there is no certain knowledge, but may be grounds of belief sufficient for practical life. So ~ *IST* n. [as PROBABLE + ISM]

prōbabil'it'y, n. Quality of being probable; in *all ~y*, most likely; *there is no ~y (likelihood) of his coming*; (most) probable event, as *what are the ~ies, the ~y is that he will come*; (Math.) likelihood of an event, measured by the ratio of the favourable cases to the whole number of cases possible, as *from a bag containing 3 red balls & 7 white the ~y of a red ball's being drawn first is 3/10*. [f. F *probabilité* f. L *probabilitatem* (as foll., see -TY)]

prōb'able, a. & n. 1. That may be expected to happen or prove true, likely, as *reckon the ~ cost, it is ~ that he forgot, gives a ~ account of the matter*. 2. n. A ~ candidate, member, selection, etc. Hence **prōb'ably**¹ adv. [f. L *probabilis* (probare PROVE, see -BLE)]

prōb'ang, n. Surgeon's strip of whalebone with sponge, button, etc., at end for introducing into throat. [altered f. inventor's wd *provang* (etym. dub.), perh. on *probe*]

prōb'ate, n. Official proving of will; verified copy of will with certificate as handed to executors; ~ *duty*, tax on personal property of deceased testator, now merged in estate duty. [f. L *probatum* neut. p.p. of *probare* PROVE]

prob'ation, n. Testing of conduct or character of person esp. of candidate for membership in religious body etc. (*on ~*, undergoing it before full admission etc.); moral trial or discipline; system of releasing young criminals esp. first offenders on suspended sentence during good behaviour under supervision of person (~ *officer*) acting as friend & adviser. [f. OF *probacion* f. L *probationem* (as PROVE, see -ATION)]

prob'ation'ary (-sho-), a. Of, serving for, done in the way of, probation, so ~ *AL* a.; undergoing probation. [-ARY¹]

prob'ationer (-sho-), n. Person on probation, e.g. hospital nurse at early stage of training; offender under PROBATION. Hence ~ *SHIP* n. [-ER¹]

prōb'ative, a. Affording proof, evidential. [f. L *probativus* (as PROVE, see -IVE)]

prōbe, n., & v.t. 1. Blunt-ended surgical instrument usu. of silver for exploring wound etc.; * (fig.; f. vb) investigation. 2. v.t. Explore (wound, part of body) with ~, penetrate (thing) with sharp instrument; (fig.) examine closely, sound, (person, motive, report, etc.). [(vb f. n.) f. L L *proba* PROOF]

prōb'it'y, n. Uprightness, honesty. [f. L *probitas* (*probus* good, see -RY)]

prōb'lem, n. 1. Doubtful or difficult question, as *how to prevent it is a ~*, the ~ of ventilation; (attrib.) ~ play, novel (in which social or other ~ is treated). 2. Thing hard to understand, as *his whole conduct is a ~ to me*. 3. (Geom.) proposition in which something has to be done (cf. THEOREM); (Log.) the question (usu. only implied) involved in a syllogism; (Physics, Math.) inquiry starting from given conditions to investigate a fact, result, or law, as *Kepler's ~*; (Chess) arrangement of pieces on the board in which player is challenged to accomplish specified result, often under prescribed conditions. [f. F *problème* f. L f. Gk *problēma* -mātos f. PRO¹(ballō throw), see -M]

prōblēmāt'ic(al), aa. Doubtful, questionable, as *its success is ~*, the whole question is ~; (Log.) enunciating or supporting what is possible but not necessarily true. Hence **prōblēmāt'ical'y** adv. [f. F *problématique* f. LL f. Gk *problēmātikos* (as prec., see -IC)]

prōb'lem(at)ist, nn. One who studies or composes (esp. chess) problems. [-IST]

prōbōscid'ean, -ian, aa. & nn. Having a proboscis; of, like, a proboscis; (mammal) of the order *Proboscidea*, containing elephant & extinct allies. [f. mod. L *Proboscidea* + -AN]

prōbōs'cis, n. Elephant's trunk; long flexible snout of tapir etc.; elongated part of mouth of some insects; sucking organ in some worms; (Joc.) human nose; ~ monkey (with nose projecting far beyond mouth). So **prōbōscid'ic'eous**, **prōbōs'cid'iform**, aa. [L, gen. -cidis, f. Gk *proboskis* f. PRO¹(boskō feed)]

procēd'ure (-dyer), n. Proceeding; mode of conducting business (esp. in parliament) or legal action. [f. F *procédure* (as foll., see -URE)]

proceed', v.i. Go on, make one's way, (to place); go on (with, in, action, investigation, remarks, etc., to another subject, to do); adopt course of action, as *how shall we ~?*; take legal proceedings against person; (abs.) go on to say, as *'in either case' he ~ed 'our course is clear'*; || ~ to (take) the degree of M.A., ~ (take degree of) M.A.; (of action) be carried on, take place, as *the case, the play, will now ~*; come forth, issue, originate, as *sobs heard to ~ from next room, volumes ~ from the Pitt Press, exertions ~ from a false hope*. [f. F *procéder* f. L PRO¹(cedere cess-go)]

proceed'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: action, piece of conduct, as *a high-handed ~*; legal ~s, (steps taken in) legal action, as *shall institute legal ~s* (go to law); (as title) P~s of Royal Society etc. [-ING¹]

prō'ceeds, n. pl. Produce, outcome, pro-

fit, as *the ~ will be devoted to charity*. [f. PROCEED v.; sing. now obs.]

prōcēleusmāt'ic, a. & n. (prosody). ~ (foot), metrical foot of four short syllables. [f. LL f. Gk *prokeleusmatikos* f. *prokeleusma* incitement f. PRO¹(keleuō command), see -M & -IC]

prōcēllār'ian, a. & n. (Bird) of the genus or family to which petrels belong. [f. L *procella* storm, see -ARIAN]

prō'cess¹, n., & v.t. 1. Progress, course, esp. in ~ of construction etc., being constructed etc., in ~ of time, as time goes on; course of action, proceeding, esp. method of operation in manufacture, printing, photography, etc.; natural or involuntary operation, series of changes. 2. (Print from block produced by) method other than simple engraving by hand. 3. Action at law, formal commencement of this, summons or writ (~server, sheriff's officer). 4. (Anat., Zool., Bot.) outgrowth, protuberance. 5. v.t. Institute legal ~ against (person); treat (material), preserve (food), reproduce (drawing), by a ~. Hence ~ER¹, ~OR², nn. [(vb partly thr. OF *processer*) f. F *procès* f. L *processus* -ūs, as PROCEED]

process², v.i. (colloq.). Walk in procession. [back formation f. foll.]

procē'ssion (-shn), n., & v.i. & t. Proceeding of body of persons (or of boats etc.) in orderly succession, esp. as religious ceremony or on festive occasion, as *go, walk, in ~*; body of persons doing this; (fig.) ill-contested race; (Theol.) emanation of the Holy Ghost; ~ caterpillars, kinds that go in ~, so ~ moth, whence ~ARY¹ (-sho-) a.; (v.i.) go in ~; (v.t.) walk along (street) in ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *processionem* (as PROCEED, see -ION)]

procē'ssional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Of processions; used, carried, sung, in processions. 2. n. ~ hymn; (Eccl.) office-book of ~ hymns etc. [f. mod. L *processionalis* a., -le n., (as prec., see -AL)]

procē'ssionist (-sho-), n. One who goes in procession. So ~IZE v.i. [-IST]

procēs-verbal (prōsā'vārbāl'), n. (pl. -baur pr. -bō). Written report of proceedings, minutes; (Fr. Law) written statement of facts in support of charge. [F]

prō'chronism (-k-), n. Referring of event etc. to an earlier than the true date, as *races held in June & called by a ~ the Mays*. [f. PRO² on ANACHRONISM]

proclaim', v.t. Announce publicly & officially (thing, that); declare (war, peace); announce officially the accession of (sovereign); declare (person, thing) officially to be a (traitor etc.); declare publicly or openly (thing, that); place (district etc.) under legal restrictions, prohibit (meeting etc.), by declaration, as *the whole county is ~ed*. So **prōclama'**

TION n., **proclām'atory** a. [f. L **PRO**-¹ (*clamare* cry out)]

proclit'ic, a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Monosyllable) closely attached in pronunciation to following word & having itself no accent. [f. **PRO**-² on **ENCLITIC**]

procliv'ity, n. Tendency (*to, towards*, action or habit, esp. bad one, to do). [f. L *proclivitas* f. **PRO**(*clivis* f. *clivus* slope), see -**TY**]

prōcōn'sul, n. (Rom. Hist.) governor of Roman province, in later republic usu. an ex-consul; (under empire) governor of senatorial province; || (rhet.) governor of modern colony etc.; (*pro-consul*) deputy consul. Hence or cogn. ~**AR** ¹a., ~**ATE** ¹(1), ~**SHIP**, nn. [L, earlier *pro consule* (one acting) for consul]

procrās'tinate, v.i. & t. Defer action, be dilatory; (rare) postpone (action). Hence or cogn. ~**ATINGLY** ² adv., ~**A'TION**, ~**ATOR** ², nn., ~**ATIVE**, ~**ATORY**, aa. [f. L **PRO**(*crastinare* f. *crastinus* of tomorrow f. *cras*), see -**ATE** ³]

prōc'rēlate, v.t. Boget, generate, (offspring, or abs.). Hence or cogn. ~**ANT**, ~**ATIVE**, aa., ~**A'TION** n. [f. L **PRO**(*creare* CREATE)]

Procrūs'tean, a. Tending to produce uniformity by violent methods. [f. Gk *Prokroustēs*, lit. stretcher, name of fabulous robber who fitted victims to his bed by stretching or mutilation, see -**AN**]

|| **prōc'tor**, n. (Univ.) each of two officers (*senior, junior*, ~) appointed annually & charged with various functions esp. discipline of persons in *status pupillari*; (Law) person managing causes in court (now chiefly eccl.) that administers civil or canon law; *King's, Queen's, P.*~, official who has right to intervene in probate, divorce, & nullity cases when collusion or suppression of facts is alleged. Hence **prōctōr'ial** a., ~**SHIP** n. [syncop. of **PROCURATOR**]

|| **prōc'torize**, v.t. Exercise proctor's authority on (undergraduate etc.). Hence ~**A'TION** n. [-**IZE**]

procūmbent, a. Lying on the face, prostrate; (Bot.) growing along the ground. [f. L **PRO**(*cumbere* lay oneself) fall forwards, -**ENT**]

prōcūr'ation, n. Procuring, obtaining, bringing about, so **prōcūr'AL**(2), **prōcūr'ANCE**, nn.; function, authorized action, of attorney; || (Eccl.) provision of entertainment for bishop or other visitor by incumbent etc., now commuted to money payment; (fee for) negotiation of loan; procurer's trade or offence. [F, f. L *procuratorem* (as **PROCURE**, see -**ATION**)]

prōcūr'ator, n. (Rom. Hist.) treasury officer in imperial province; agent, proxy, esp. one who has power of attorney; magistrate in some Italian cities; || ~

fiscal, public prosecutor of district in Scotland. Hence or cogn. **prōcūr'ator'IAL** a., ~**SHIP** n. [L, as **PROCURE**, see -**OR** ²]

prōc'uratory, n. Authorization to act for another, esp. letters of ~. [f. LL *procuratorium* neut. adj. (as **PROCURE**, see -**ORY**)]

prōc'urātrix, n. Inmate of nunnery managing its temporal concerns. [L, as foll., -**TRIX**]

procure, v.t. & i. Obtain by care or effort, acquire, as *must ~ a copy, cannot ~ employment*; (arch.) bring about, as ~*d his death by poison*; act as procurer or procuress. Hence **prōcūr'ABLE** a., ~**MENT** (-**ŪM**-) n. [f. F *procurer* f. L **PRO**(*curare* see to)]

prōcūr'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. man or woman who procures women for gratification of another's lust. So ~**ESS** ¹ n. [ME & AF *procurour* f. L as **PROCURATOR**]

prōd, v.t. & i. (-dd-), & n. 1. Poke with pointed instrument, end of stick, etc.; (fig.) goad, irritate; make ~*ding motion* at. 2. n. Poke, thrust, pointed instrument. [?]

prōdēl'sion (-zhn), n. (prosody). Elision of initial vowel (as in *I'm for I am*). [f. L *prod-* = **PRO**-¹ + **ELISION**]

prōd'igal, a. & n. Recklessly wasteful (person); lavish of; ~ *son*, repentant sinner, returned wanderer, etc. (*Luke* xv. 11-32). Hence or cogn. ~**ITY** (-**ŪL**-) n., ~**LY** ² adv. [obs. F, f. L *prodigus* f. *prodigere* squander (*prod-* **PRO**-¹ + *agere* drive), -**AL**]

prōd'igalize, v.t. Spend lavishly. [-**IZE**]
prōdi'gious (-**JUS**), a. Marvellous, amazing; enormous; abnormal. Hence ~**LY** ² adv., ~**NESS** n., (-**JUS**-). [f. L *prodigious* (as foll., see -**OUS**)]

prōd'igy, n. Marvellous thing, esp. one out of the course of nature; wonderful example of (some quality); person endowed with surprising qualities, esp. precocious child, as (attrib.) a ~ *violinist*. [f. L *prodigium* portent (*prod-* **PRO**-¹, cf. **ADAGE**)]

prōd'rom'e, n. Preliminary book or treatise (*to* another); (Mod.) premonitory symptom (*of*), whence ~**AL**, **prōdrōm'ic**, aa. [f. mod. L *prodromus*, pl. -*mī*, also in E, f. Gk **PRO**(*dromos* running, runner) a. & n.; E has also in med. sense *prodroma* n. pl. & (improp.) n. sing. with pl. -*mata*]

prōd'uce ¹, n. Amount produced, yield, esp. in assay of ore; (also *raw* ~) agricultural & natural products collectively; result (*of* labour, efforts, etc.); (of ordnance or military or naval stores) *brought to* ~, broken up & assorted into classes to be disposed of. [f. foll.]

produce ², v.t. Bring forward for inspection or consideration, as *will ~ evidence, witnesses, reasons*, ~ *your tickets*; bring (play, performer, book, etc.) before the

public; (Geom.) extend, continue, (line to a point); manufacture (goods) from raw materials etc.; bring about, cause, (a sensation etc.); (of land etc.) yield (produce); (of animal or plant) bear, yield, (offspring, fruit). So **prodúciBL** *ITY* n., **prodúciBL** a. [f. L *PRO*¹ (*ducere duct-* lead)]

prodúcer, n. In vbl senses, esp.: (Pol. Econ.) one who produces article of consumption (cf. **CONSUMER**); (Cinemat.) person generally responsible for production of a film (apart from direction of the acting); ~ *gas*, combustible gas, properly that formed by passing air through red-hot carbon, but often used for the 'semi-water gas' formed by passing steam and air through red-hot carbon. [f. *prec.* + *-ER*¹]

prodúct, n. Thing produced by natural process or manufacture; result, as *the ~ of his labours*; (Math.) quantity obtained by multiplying quantities together; (Chem.) compound not previously existing in a body but formed during its decomposition. [as *PRODUCE*²]

prodúction, n. Producing; thing produced, esp. literary or artistic work. [f. f. L *productionem* (as *prec.*, see *-ION*)]

prodúctive, a. Producing, tending to produce, as ~ *of figs*, ~ *of great annoyance*; (Pol. Econ.) producing commodities of exchangeable value, as ~ *labour(er)*; producing abundantly, as a ~ *soil*, *mine*, *writer*. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS*, **pródúctiv** *ITY*, nn. [f. med. L *productivus* (as *PRODUCE*², see *-IVE*)]

prōém, n. Preface, preamble, to book or speech; beginning, prelude. Hence **prōém** *IAL* a. [f. OF *proeme* f. L f. Gk *PRO*² (*oimion* f. *oimos* way or *oimē* song)]

profāne¹, v.t. Treat (sacred thing) with irreverence or disregard; violate, pollute, (what is entitled to respect). So **prōfān** *A* *TION* n. [f. L *profanare*, as foll.]

profāne², a. Not belonging to what is sacred or biblical, as ~ *history*, *literature*, *writer*; not initiated into religious rites or any esoteric knowledge; (of rites etc.) heathen; irreverent, blasphemous, so **prōfān** *ITY* n. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. obs. F *profane* f. L *PRO*¹ (*janus* f. *janum* temple) before i.e. outside the temple]

profess, v.t. & i. Lay claim to (quality, feeling), pretend (to be or do), as *they ~ extreme regret*, *does not ~ to be a scholar*; openly declare, as *they ~ themselves quite content*, *I ~ (that) this is news to me*; affirm one's faith in or allegiance to (religion, God, Christ); make (law, medicine, flute-playing, the flute, etc.) one's profession or business; teach (subject) as professor; perform duties of a professor. [f. L *PRO*¹ (*fiteri fess* = *fateri* confess)]

professed (-st), a. Self-acknowledged, as a ~ *Christian*; alleged, ostensible, whence **profess** *EDLY*² adv.; claiming to be duly qualified, as a ~ *anatomist*; ~ *monk*, *nun*

(that has taken vows of religious order). [p.p. of *prec.*]

proféssion (-shn), n. Declaration, avowal, as *in practice if not in ~, accept my sincere ~s of regard*, *spare me these ~s*; declaration of belief in a religion; vow made on entering, fact of being in, a religious order; vocation, calling, esp. one that involves some branch of learning or science, as *the learned ~s* (divinity, law, medicine), *the military ~, a carpenter by ~*, whence ~ *LESS* a.; *the body of persons engaged in this*, esp. (Theatr. sl.) actors, as *lets apartments to the ~*. [f. f. L *professionem* (as *PROFESS*, see *-ION*)]

proféssional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Of, belonging to, connected with, a profession, as ~ *men*, *etiquette*, *jealousy*; ~ *politician*, *agitator*, etc. (making a trade of politics etc.); ~ *cricketer*, *golfer*, etc. (playing for money, cf. **AMATEUR**). 2. n. ~ *man*, esp. (abbr. *pro*) ~ *cricketer*, *golfer*, etc. Hence ~ *LY*² adv. [-AL]

proféssionalism (-sho-), n. Qualities, stamp, of a profession; practice of employing professionals. So ~ *IZE* (3) v.t. [-ISM]

professor, n. || One who makes profession (of a religion); public teacher of high rank, esp. holder of a chair in university (prefixed as title, abbr. *Prof.*), whence ~ *ATE*¹ (1), ~ *NESS*¹, **profess**or *IAL* *TE*¹ (1), ~ *SHIP*, nn., **profess**or *IAL* a., **profess**or *IALLY*² adv.; (as grandiose title) *P ~ Smith's Hoxing Dormice* etc.; (sl.) professional. [L (as *PROFESS*, see *-OR*²)]

proffer, v.t., & n. (literary). 1. Offer (gift, services, etc., arch. to do; esp. in p.p.). 2. n. Offer. [(n. f. AF *proffre*) f. AF *proffrir* (*PRO*¹ + *offer* OFFER)]

profficient (-shnt), a. & n. Adept, expert, (in, at, an art etc., in doing). Hence **proff**iciency n., ~ *LY*² adv., (-shn-). [f. L as *PROFIT*¹, see *-ENT*]

proffile (-fēl, -fil), n., & v.t. 1. Drawing, silhouette, or other representation, of side view esp. of human face, whence ~ *IST* n.; *drawn* etc. *in ~* (as seen from one side); side outline esp. of the human face; (Fortif.) transverse vertical section of fort, comparative thickness of earthwork etc.; flat outline piece of scenery on stage. 2. v.t. Represent in ~, give a ~ to. [(n. f. lt. *profilo* now *proff-*) f. lt. (now *proff-*) *PRO*¹ (*flare* spin f. L *flare* f. *flum* thread)]

proffit¹, n. Advantage, benefit, as *have studied it to my ~*, *no ~ in such pursuits*; pecuniary gain, excess of returns over outlay, (usu. pl.); (Book-keep.) ~ & *loss account*, account in which gains are credited & losses debited so as to show net ~ or loss at any time; ~ *sharing* (of ~s esp. between employer & employed). Hence ~ *LESS* a. ~ *LESSLY*² adv., ~ *LESSNESS* n. [OF, f. L *profitus* -ūs f. *PRO*¹ (*scire* *fect* = *facere* do) advance]

proffit², v.t. & i. (Of thing) be of ad-

vantage to (person etc. orig. indirect object), as *it will not ~ him, what will it ~ him?*; be of advantage; (of person etc.) be benefited or assisted, as *he ~s to ~ by your advice*, ~ed by his confusion to make my escape. [f. F *profiter* as prec.]

profitable, a. Beneficial, useful, as ~ conservation; yielding profit, lucrative, as a ~ speculation. Hence ~NESS n., **profitably** adv. [F (PROFIT + -ABLE)]

profiteer, v.i., & n. 1. Make inordinate profits out of the State's or the consumer's straits (esp. of contractors & traders in times of scarcity). 2. n. ~ing person. [PROFIT, -EER]

profligate, a. & n. 1. Licentious, dissolute; recklessly extravagant. 2. n. ~ate person. Hence ~ACY n., ~ately adv. [f. L *PROFLIGARE* = *fligere* strike down] overthrow, ruin, see -ATE³]

profound, a. & n. 1. Having, showing, great knowledge or insight, as ~ statesman, inquiry, treatise; demanding deep study or thought, as ~ doctrines; (of state or quality) deep, intense, unqualified, as *fell into a ~ sleep, take a ~ interest, simulated a ~ indifference*; having, coming from, extending to, a great depth, as ~ crevasses, a ~ (deep-drawn) sigh, ~ (deep-seated) gangrene. 2. n. (poet.). The vast depth (of ocean, futurity, the soul, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **profoundly**, nn. [f. OF *profund* f. L *PROFUNDUS* bottom] deep]

profuse, a. Lavish, extravagant, (in, of, gifts, promises, expenditure, etc.); (of things) exuberantly plentiful. Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-al) adv., ~NESS (-sn-), **profusion** (-zhn), nn. [f. L *PROFUSUS* poured]

progi, n. (sl.). Food, esp. for journey or excursion. [f]

|| **progi**, || **progi**'ins (-ginz), nn. & vv.t. (sl.). Proctor at Oxford or Cambridge; (v.t.) proctorize. [abbr.]

progenitive, a. Capable of, connected with, the production of offspring. [as foll., -IVE]

progenitor, n. Ancestor of person, animal, or plant; (fig.) political or intellectual predecessor, original of a copy. Hence ~ORIAL a., ~ORSHIP, ~RESS¹, nn. [f. obs. F *progeniteur* f. L *progenitor* f. *PROGENERE* *genit-* beget, see -OR¹]

progeniture, n. (Begetting of) offspring. [as prec., see -URE]

progeny, n. Offspring of person, animal, or plant; descendants; (fig.) issue, outcome. [f. obs. F *progenie* f. L *progenies* f. *PROGENERE* beget]

|| **progi**ns. See *PROGINS*.

progiottis, n. (pl. ~ides). Sexually mature segment of tapeworm. [f. Gk *PROGIOTIS* f. *glōssa*, -tta, tongue, from its shape]

prognathous, a. With projecting jaws; (of jaws) projecting. So **prognathic** a., ~ISM(2) n. [f. *PRO-* + Gk *gnathos* jaw + -OUS]

prognosis, n. (pl. ~oses). Prognostication, esp. (Med.) forecast of course of disease. [L, f. Gk *PROGNOSIS* f. *gnō-* know]

prognostic, n. & a. 1. Pre-indication, omen, (of); prediction, forecast. 2. adj. Foretelling, predictive, (of). [(n. f. OF *pronostique*) f. med. L f. Gk *prognōstikos* f. *PROGNOSKOS* learn, -IC]

prognosticate, v.t. Foretell (event, *that*); (of things) betoken. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa., ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. med. L *prognosticare* (as prec.), see -ATE³]

prog'ram(me), n., & v.t. 1. Descriptive notice of series of events, e.g. of course of study, concert, etc.; definite plan of intended proceedings; (colloq.) *what is the ~ for* (what are we going to do) *today?*; ~-music (intended to suggest series of scenes or events); ~ picture (Cinemat.), film of some length forming part, but not the main feature, of the ~. 2. v.t. Make a ~ or definite plan of. [f. L f. Gk *programma* f. *PROGRAPHOS* write) write publicly, see -M; -me now usu., but cf. *diagram*, *telegram*, etc.]

prog'ress, n. Forward or onward movement in space, as *made slow ~, continued his ~*; an inquiry is now in ~ (going on); advance, development, as *made no ~ in his studies*. The ~ of civilization, *disease made rapid ~*; || (arch.) state journey, official tour, esp. royal ~. [ult. f. L *PROGRESSUS* = *gradus* walk]

progress, v.i. Move forward or onward; be carried on, as *the controversy still ~es*; advance, develop, as *we ~ in knowledge, science ~es*. [f. prec.; Amer. revival of obs. E]

progression (-shn), n. Progress, as *mode of ~*; (Math.) ARITHMETICAL, GEOMETRICAL, HARMONIC, ~; (Mus.) passing from one note or chord to another. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [E, f. L *progressionem* (as *PROGRESSUS*, see -ION)]

progressionist (-sho-), n. Advocate of progress e.g. in political or social matters (also **prog'ressist** n.); one who holds that life on the earth has been marked by gradual progression to higher forms. [-IST]

progressive, a. & n. 1. Moving forward, as ~ motion; proceeding step by step, successive; ~ *whist* etc. (played by several sets of players at different tables, certain players passing after each round to next table); advancing in social conditions, character, efficiency, etc., as a ~ nation; (of disease) continuously increasing; favouring progress or reform, as ~ principles, party, whence **progressivism** n. 2. n. Advocate of ~ policy. Hence ~LY²

adv., ~NESS n. [F (-if, -ive), as PROGRESS¹, see -IVE]

prohib'it, v.t. Forbid, debar, (action, thing, person from doing). Hence or cogn. ~EE¹, ~OR¹, nn. [f. L PRO¹(*hibere* *hibit* = *habere* hold)]

prohib'ition (-ōib-), n. Forbidding; edict, order, that forbids; forbidding by law of sale of intoxicants for common consumption, whence ~IST (-ōibisho-) n.; (Law) writ from High Court of Justice forbidding inferior court to proceed in suit as being beyond its cognizance. [F, f. L *prohibitionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

prohib'itive, a. Prohibiting; serving to prevent the use or abuse or purchase of a thing, as ~ tax, published at a ~ price. Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., **prohib'itory** a. [F (-if, -ive), as PROHIBIT, see -IVE]

project'1, v.t. & i. Plan, contrive, (scheme, course of action, etc.); cast, throw, impel, (body into space etc.); ~ oneself, go out of oneself into another's feelings, the future, etc., (Spirit.) make a phantom of oneself visible to a distant person; (Chem.) cast (substance into, on, etc.); cause (light, shadow) to fall on surface etc.; (fig.) cause (idea etc.) to take shape; (Geom.) draw straight lines from a centre through every point of (given figure) to produce corresponding figure on a surface by intersecting it, draw (such lines), produce (such corresponding figure); make projection of (earth, sky, etc.); (intr.) protrude. [f. L PRO¹(*jacere* *ject* = *jacere* throw)]

proj'ect¹, n. Plan, scheme. [as prec.]

proj'ectile, a. & n. 1. Impelling, as ~ force; capable of being projected by force, esp. from gun. 2. n. ~ missile. [as prec. + -ILE]

proj'ection, n. 1. Throwing, casting. 2. Transmutation of metals, as *pouder of ~*, alchemists' powder of philosophers' stone. 3. Planning. 4. Protruding; protruding thing; thrusting forward. 5. (geom.). Projecting of a figure (see PROJECT¹); ~ of a point, point in derived figure corresponding to point in original figure. 6. Representation on plane surface of (any part of) surface of earth or of celestial sphere, as *Mercator's ~* (in which points of compass preserve same direction all over the map). 7. Mental image viewed as objective reality. 8. (Cinemat.) display of films by throwing image on screen, whence ~IST (-sho-) n. [f. L *projectio* (as prec., see -ION)]

proj'ective, a. (Geom.) of, derived by, projection, ~ property of a figure (unchanged after projection); mentally projecting or projected, as ~ imagination. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [as prec., see -IVE]

proj'ector, n. One who forms a project; promoter of bubble companies; apparatus for projecting rays of light or throwing image on cinematograph screen. [as prec., see -OR¹]

prolāpae', v.i., & n. (path.). Slip forward or down out of place; (n.) = foll. [f. L PRO¹(*labi* *laps* = slip)]

prolāp'sus n. (path.). Slipping forward or down of part of organ esp. of uterus or rectum. [L, gen. -ūs, as prec.]

prol'āte, a. (Geom., of spheroid) lengthened in direction of polar diameter (of. OBLATE); growing, extending, in width; (fig.) widely spread; (Gram.) = foll. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L PRO¹(*ferre* *lat* = carry) prolong]

prolāt'ive, a. (gram.). Serving to extend or complete predication, as in 'you can go' go is a ~ infinitive. [f. LL *prolativus* (prec., -IVE)]

prolēgōm'en'on, n. (usu. in pl. ~a). Preliminary discourse or matter prefixed to book etc. Hence ~ARY¹, ~OUS, aa. [Gk *prolegomenon* neut. pass. part. of PRO¹(*legō* say)]

prolēp'sis, n. (pl. -psēs). Anticipation; (Gram.) anticipatory use of adjectives, as in *So those two brothers & their murdered man rode past fair Florence*. Hence or cogn. **prolēp'tio** a., **prolēp'tically** adv. [Gk *prolēpsis* f. PRO¹(*lambō* take)]

prolētaire', n. = foll. n. Hence **prolē-tair'ism** (2) n. [f. F *prolétaire*, as foll.]

prolētar'ian, a. & n. (Member) of the proletariat. Hence or cogn. ~ISM (2) n., **prolētar'y** a. [f. L *proletarius* one who served the State not with property but with offspring (*proles*), see -ARY¹ & -AN]

prolētar'iat(e), n. (Rom. Hist.; & mod., often derog.) lowest class of community; (Pol. Econ.) indigent wage-earners, labouring classes; *dictatorship of the ~*, Communist ideal of domination by the ~ after the suppression of capitalism & the bourgeoisie. [f. F *proléariat* (as prec., see -ATE¹)]

prolēicide, n. Killing of offspring, esp. before or soon after birth. Hence **prolēcid'al** a. [f. L *proles* offspring + -CID¹]

prolif'er'iate, v.i. & t. Reproduce itself, grow, by multiplication of elementary parts; produce (cells etc.) thus. So ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a. [back formation f. *proliferation* f. F *proliferation* (as foll., see -ATION)]

prolif'erous, a. (Bot.) producing leaf or flower buds from leaf or flower, (also) producing new individuals from buds; (Zool.) multiplying by budding; (Path.) spreading by proliferation. [f. med. L *prolifer* (*proles* offspring), see -FEROUS]

prolif'ic, a. Producing (much) offspring; abundantly productive of, abounding in. Hence ~ACY [irreg.], **prolif'icity**, ~NESS, nn. [f. med. L *prolificus* (as prec., see -IC)]

proli'gerous, a. Bearing offspring, generative. [as prec. + L -ger = bearing + -OUS]

proli'ix (or *proliks*), a. Lengthy, tediously wordy, as ~ speech, writer. Hence or cogn. **prolix'ity** n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. L PRO¹(*lixus* p.p. of *liquere* be liquid)]

prōl'ocūter (or *prolē'*), n. Chairman || esp. of lower house of convocation of either province of Church of England. Hence ~SHIP n. [L. f. *PRO* (loqui locut-speak), -OR¹]

prōl'ogize (-j-), -guize (-gia), vv.i. Write, speak, a prologue. [(~gize) f. *Ok prologies* as foll., (-gu-) f. foll. + -IZE]

prōl'ogue (-ōg), n., & v.t. Preliminary discourse, poem, etc., esp. introducing play (cf. *EPILOGUE*); (fig.) act, event, serving as introduction (to); (v.t.) introduce, furnish, with a ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L f. *Gk PRO* (logos speech)]

prōlōng', v.t. Extend (action, condition, etc.) in duration; extend in spatial length; lengthen pronunciation of (syllable etc.). So ~ABLE (NGA-) a., **prōlōng'a'tion** (-ngē-) n. [f. *Ok prolonguer* f. LL *PRO* (longare, as *LONG*)]

prolu'sion (-ōōzhn), n. Preliminary essay, article, or attempt. So **prolus'ory** (-ōō-) a. [f. L *prolusio* f. *PRO* (ludere lus- play) practise beforehand]

prōm, n. (colloq.) = **PROMENADE** concert. [abbr.]

prōménade' (-ahd, -ād), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Walk, ride, drive, taken for exercise, amusement, or display, or as social ceremony; place, esp. paved public walk, for this; ~ *concert*, one at which (part of) audience is not seated and can move about; ~ *deck*, an upper deck on a liner, where passengers may ~. 2. v.i. Make a ~, whence **prōménad'er** (-ahd-, -ād-) n. 3. v.t. Make a ~ through (place); lead (person) about a place esp. for display. [(vb f. n.) F, f. *promener* take for walk f. LL *PRO* (minare threaten) drive (beasts), -ADE]

prōm'erōps, n. S.-Afr. genus of birds, esp. *Cape* ~, small bird with long curved bill & very long tail. [*PRO*- + *Gk merops* bee-eater]

Prométh'éan, a. Of, like, Promethens in his skill or punishment. [f. *Gk Promētheus* (demigod who made man from clay, stole fire from Olympus & taught men the use of it & various arts, & was chained by Zeus to rock in Caucasus), see -AN]

prōm'inent, a. Jutting out, projecting; conspicuous; distinguished. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently² adv. [f. L *PRO* (minere, see *EMINENT*)]

promis'cuous, a. Of mixed & disorderly composition, as a ~ *mass*; (w. pl. n.) of various kinds mixed together; indiscriminate, as ~ *massacre*, *hospitality*; ~ *bathing* (of both sexes together); ~ *sexual relations* (unrestricted by marriage or cohabitation); (colloq.) casual, as *look a ~ stroll*; (vulg., joc.) ~like, casually, for no particular reason. Hence or cogn. **promiscu'ary** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *PRO* (miscere f. *miscere* mix) + -OUS]

prōm'ise', n. Assurance given to a person that one will do or not do some-

thing or will give or procure him something; thing promised, as *I claim your ~*; **BREACH**¹ of ~; *land of ~* (see foll.); (fig.) ground of expectation of future achievements or good results, as *book*, *writer*, of great ~. [f. L *promissum* p.p. of *PRO* (mittere send) put forth, promise]

prōm'ise', v.t. & i. Make (person) a promise to give or procure him (thing), as *I ~ you a fair hearing*; make (person) a promise (to do, that thing shall be done etc.); (abs.) *cannot positively ~*; ~ *oneself*, look forward to (a pleasant time etc.); (colloq.) *I ~ (assure) you, it will not be so easy*; (fig.) afford expectation of, as *these discussions ~ future storms*, seem likely (to do); (abs.) ~ *well* etc., hold out good etc. prospect; ~ *land* (also *land of promise*), *Canaan* (*Gen. xii. 7* etc.), *heaven*, any place of expected felicity. Hence **prōm'iser**¹ n. [f. *proce.*]

promisee', n. (law). Person to whom promise is made. So **prōm'isor**² n. [-ER]

prōm'ising, a. Likely to turn out well, hopeful, full of promise, as ~ *boy*, *sky*, *beginning*. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING¹]

prōm'issory, a. Conveying or implying a promise; (rare) full of promise (of); ~ *note*, signed document containing written promise to pay stated sum to specified person or to bearer at specified date or on demand. [f. *med. L promissorius* (as *PROMISE*¹, see -ORY)]

prōm'ontori'y, n. Point of high land jutting out into sea etc., headland: (*Anat.*) kinds of protuberance in the body. Hence ~IED² (-rid) a. [f. *med. L promontorium* altered (on *mons -ntis* mount) f. L *promunturium* (perh. as *PROMINENT*)]

promōte', v.t. Advance, prefer, (person to position, higher office; *was ~d major*, to be major, to the rank of major, to majority, not to major); help forward, encourage, (process, result); support actively the passing of (law), take necessary steps for passing of (local or private act of parliament); (Chess) raise (pawn) to rank of queen etc. Hence or cogn. **promō'tion** n., **promō'tive** a. [f. L *PRO* (movēre move)]

promō'ter, n. In vbl senses, esp. (also *company* ~) one who promotes formation of joint-stock company (freq. derog., whence ~ISM n.). [-ER¹]

prōmpt', a. & n. 1. Ready in action, acting with alacrity, as a ~ *assistant*, made, done, etc., readily or at once, as ~ *reply*, *decision*, *payment*, whence or cogn. ~ITUDE, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv.; for ~ *cash* (on the spot); (Commere., of goods) for immediate delivery & payment, as ~ *iron*. 2. n. Time limit for payment of account, stated on ~ *note*, as *what is the ~?* [(n. f. adj.) f. L *promere* **prōmpt'** - produce (*PRO*- + *emere* take)]

prōmpt', v.t., & n. 1. Incite, move, (person etc. to action, to do); supply (actor,

reciter, or abs.) with the words that come next, assist (hesitating speaker) with suggestion; inspire, give rise to, (feeling, thought, action). 2. n. Thing said to help the memory esp. of actor; ~book, copy of play for prompter's use; ~ (prompter's) box on stage; ~ side of stage (usu. to actor's left; abbr. p.s.). [(n. f. vb) f. prec.]

prompt'er, n. One who prompts, esp. (Theatr.) person stationed out of sight of audience to assist actor's memory. [-**ER**¹]

prömp'ting, n. In vbl senses, esp. the ~s of conscience etc. [-**ING**¹]

pröm'ulg|äte, v.t. Make known to the public, disseminate (creed etc.), proclaim (decree, news). Hence or cogn. ~**ÄTION**, ~**ÄTOR**², nn. [f. L *promulgare* perh. corrupt. of *PRO*²(*vulgare* publish f. *vulgus* the people), see -**ÄTE**²]

promülge' (-j), v.t. (arch.). =prec. [as prec.]

prona'ös, n. (Gk Ant.). Space in front of body of temple, enclosed by portico & projecting side walls. [L, f. Gk *PRO*²(*naos* temple)]

prön'äte, v.t. (physiol.). Put (hand, fore limb) into prone position (cf. **SUPINATE**). So ~**ÄTION** n. [f. LL *proneare* (as **PRONE**), see -**ÄTE**²]

pröna'tor, n. (anat.). Muscle that effects or helps pronation. [med. L (as prec., see -**OR**²)]

pröne, a. Having the front or ventral part downwards, lying face downwards. (loosely) lying flat, prostrate, as *fell* ~, whence ~**LY**² (-nl-) adv.; (of ground) having downward aspect or direction, (loosely) steep, headlong; disposed, liable, (to quality, action, or condition, to do). Hence ~**NES** (-n-n-) n. [f. L *pronus*]

pröneur' (-nöy), n. Extoller, enlogist. [F]

pröng, n., & v.t. Forked instrument, e.g. hay-fork; each pointed member of fork, whence (-)~**ED**² (-ngd) a.; (v.t.) pierce, stab, turn up (soil etc.), with ~; ~*buck*, ~*horn*, ~*horned antelope*, N.-Amer. deer-like ruminant. {}

pronom'inal, a. Of (the nature of) a pronoun. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. LL *pronominalis* f. L *PRO*²(*nomen -inis* noun), see -**AL**]

prön'oun, n. Word used instead of (proper or other) noun to designate person or thing already mentioned or known from context or forming the subject of inquiry (used also to include pronominal & other adjectives, see below); *personal* ~s (I, we, thou, you, he, she, it, they); *interrogative* ~s (who, what, which); *relative* ~s (who, that, which); *possessive* ~s, adjectives representing possessive case (*my, her, our*, etc., with absolute forms *mine, hers, ours*); *demonstrative* ~s (this, that); *distributive* ~s (each, every, either, etc.); *indefinite* ~s (any, some, etc.). [*PRO*¹]

pronounce', v.t. & i. 1. Utter, deliver, (Judgement, sentence, curse, etc.) formally

or solemnly, state, declare, as one's opinion, as *I* ~ *the pearls unripe, cannot* ~ *him* (or *that he is*) *out of danger*, whence ~**MENT** (-sm-) n. 2. Pass judgement, give one's opinion, (on, for, against, in favour of). 3. Utter, articulate, (words, or abs.), as ~ *more distinctly*, esp. with reference to different modes, as *how do you* ~ '*fulsome*'?, cannot ~ *French*, whence ~**ABLE** (-sabl) a. [f. OF *pronuncier* f. LL *PRO*¹(*nuntiare* announce f. *nuntius* messenger)]

pronounced' (-st), a. In vbl senses, also, strongly marked, decided, as ~ *tendency, magenta, flavour*. Hence **pronoun'cedly**² adv. [-**ED**¹]

pronoun'cing, n. In vbl senses; (attrib.) ~ *dictionary* (in which pronunciation is indicated). [-**ING**¹]

***prön'tö**, adv. (sl.). Promptly, quickly. [Sp.]

prön'tosil, n. One of the sulphonamide group of drugs. [P]

pronünciamën'tö, n. (pl. ~s). Proclamation, manifesto, esp. (in Spanish-speaking countries) one issued by insurrectionists. [f. Sp. *pronunciamiento*, also used in E, f. L as **PRONOUNCE**, see -**MENT**]

pronünciä'tion, n. Mode in which a word is pronounced; a person's way of pronouncing words, as *his* ~ *is often faulty*. [f. L *pronuntiatio* (as **PRONOUNCE**, see -**ATION**)]

prüöf¹, n. 1. Evidence sufficing or helping to establish a fact, as *this requires no* ~, as *a* ~ *of his esteem*, ~ *positive of his intention* or *that he intended*, whence ~**LESS** a.; spoken or written legal evidence. 2. Proving, demonstration, as *not capable of* ~, *in* ~ *of my assertion*. 3. || (Sc. law) trial before judge instead of by jury. 4. Test, trial, as *must be brought to the* ~, *will stand a severe* ~, *the* ~ *of the pudding is in the eating*. 5. (Place for) testing of fire-arms or explosives. 6. (arch.). Proved impenetrability, as *armour of* ~. 7. Standard of strength of distilled alcoholic liquors. 8. (First) ~, trial impression taken from type, in which corrections etc. may be made (cf. **REVISE**); ~*reader*, ~*reading*, (person employed in) reading & correcting ~s; ~*sheet*, sheet of ~. 9. Each of a limited number of careful impressions made from engraved plate before printing of ordinary issue & usu. (also ~ *before letters*) before inscription is added; *artist's, engraver's*, ~ (taken for examination or alteration by him); *signed* ~, early ~ signed by artist. 10. Test-tube. 11. Rough edges left to some leaves of book to show it has not been cut down. 12. ~*plane*, conductor fixed on insulating handle & used in measuring electrification of a body. [f. OF *prueve* f. LL *proba*, as **PROVE**]

prüöf², a., & v.t. 1. (Of armour) of tried strength; impenetrable, as ~ *against the severest weather, the pricks of conscience*,

esp. in comb., as *bomb, bullet, burglar, fire, rain, sound, thief, weather*, ~, WATER ~. 2. v.t. Make (thing) ~, esp. make (fabric etc.) waterproof. [(vb f. adj.) f. prec.]

prop¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Rigid support, esp. one not forming structural part of thing supported, e.g. pole; || CLOTHES ~; (fig.) person etc. who upholds institution etc. 2. v.t. Support (as) by ~ (lit. & fig.), hold up thus. 3. v.i. (Of horse etc.) come to a dead stop with forelegs rigid. [(vb prob. f. n.) cf. Du. *proppe*, etym. dub.]

prop². See PROPOSITION.

propaedeut^{ic}, a. & n. (Subject, study) serving as introduction to higher study; (n. pl.) preliminary learning. Hence ~AL a. [f. Gk PRO²(*paideuō* teach f. *país* *paidos* child), see -IC]

propagānda, n. 1. (Congregation, College, of) the P~, committee of cardinals in charge of foreign missions. 2. Association, organized scheme, for propagation of a doctrine or practice; doctrines, information, etc. thus propagated; efforts, schemes, principles, of propagation. [It., f. mod. L *congregatio de propaganda fide* congregation for propagation of the faith]

propagādist, n. Member, agent, of a propaganda, whence ~ISM n., ~IS^{tic} a., ~IZE (2, 4) v.i. & t.; proselytizer; missionary, convert, of the Propaganda. [-IST]

propagāte, v.t. 1. Multiply specimens of (plant, animal, disease, etc.) by natural process from parent stock; (of plant etc.) reproduce (itself, or abs.). 2. Hand down (quality etc.) from one generation to another. 3. Disseminate, diffuse, (statement, belief, practice). 4. Extend the operation of, transmit, (vibration, earthquake, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ATION, ~ATOR¹, nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *propagare* multiply plants from layers, f. PRO¹(*pago* perh. f. root of *pangere* fix, set), see -ATE¹]

propārōx¹ytone, a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Word) with acute accent on antepenult. [f. Gk PRO²(*paroxutōnos* PAROXYTONE)]

propēl¹, v.t. (-ll-). Drive forward, give onward motion to, (lit. & fig.); JET¹ ~led. [f. L PRO¹(*pellere* puls- drive)]

propēll¹ant, -ent, a. & n. Propelling (agent); explosive that propels bullet or shell from fire-arm. [-ANT, -ENT]

propēll¹er, n. In vbl senses, esp., revolving shaft with blades usu. (screw ~) set at an angle & twisted like thread of screw, for propelling ship or aircraft. [-ER¹]

propēn¹sity, n. Inclination, tendency, (to condition, quality, thing, to do, for doing). [f. now rare *propensae* f. L *propensus* inclined, p.p. of PRO¹(*pendere* hang) + -ITY]

prop¹er, a. 1. (arch.). (Usu. w. possessive pron. & occas. w. own) own, as *with my own ~ eyes*. 2. (astron.). ~ motion, that part of the apparent motion of fixed star etc. supposed to be due to its actual move-

ment in space. 3. Belonging, relating, exclusively or distinctively (to, or abs. as ~ psalms, lessons, ~ to particular day). 4. (gram.). ~ noun or name, name used to designate an individual person, animal, town, ship, etc. (e.g. Jane, Smith, France, London). 5. Accurate, correct, as in the ~ sense of the word. 6. (Usu. foll. its noun) strictly so called, real, genuine, as *within the sphere of architecture ~*; ~ fraction (less than unity). 7. (colloq.). Thorough, complete, as *will be a ~ row about this*. 8. (arch.). Handsome, as a ~ man. 9. Fit, suitable, right, as *choose the ~ time, do it the ~ way*. 10. In conformity with demands of society, decent, respectable, as *she is so distressingly ~, would it be quite ~?* 11. (her.). In the natural, not conventional, colours, as *a peacock ~*. [ME & F *propre* f. L *proprius*]

propērispōm¹enon, a. & n. (Gk gram.). (Word) with circumflex accent on penult. [Gk PRO²(PERISPOMENON)]

prop¹erly, adv. Fittingly, suitably, as *do it ~ or not at all*; rightly, duly, as *he very ~ refused*; with good manners, as *behave ~*; (colloq.) thoroughly, as *puzzled him ~*. [-LY¹]

prop¹erty, n. 1. Owning, being owned, as ~ has its duties; thing owned, possession(s), as *the book is his ~, regards him as her exclusive ~, a man of (great) ~, has a small ~ (estate) in Norfolk*, PERSONAL, REAL¹, ~; ~ qualification (based on possession of ~), ~ tax (levied directly on ~). 2. (theatr.). Article of costume, furniture, etc., used on stage; ~man, ~master, man in charge of stage properties. 3. Attribute, quality, as *the properties of soda, has the ~ of dissolving grease*; (Logic) quality common to a whole class but not necessary to distinguish it from others. [f. OF *propriété* f. L *proprietas* (as PROPER, see -TY)]

prop¹h¹ecy, n. Faculty of a prophet, as *the gift of ~*; prophetic utterance; foretelling of future events. [f. OF *profecie* f. LL f. Gk *prophēteia* (as PROPHET)]

prop¹h¹esy, v.i. & t. Speak as a prophet; foretell future events; (arch.) expound the Scriptures; foretell (event, that, who, etc.). [f. OF *profecier*, as prec.]

prop¹h¹et, n. Inspired teacher, revealer or interpreter of God's will; the ~s, prophetic writers of O.T., major ~s, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, the 12 minor ~s, Hosea to Malachi; the P~, Mohammed, (also) Joseph Smith, founder of Mormons; *Saul among the ~s*, person revealing unexpected gifts or sympathies (see I Sam. x. 11); spokesman, advocate, (of principle etc.); one who foretells events, as *am no weather ~*; (sl.) tipster. Hence ~ESS¹, ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn. [f. F *prophète* f. L (-ta) f. Gk PRO²(*phētēs* speaker f. *phēmī* speak) spokesman]

prop¹h¹etic, a. Of a prophet; predicting.

containing a prediction of (event etc.). Hence ~AL a., ~ALY¹ adv. [f. LL f. Gk *prophētikos* (prec., -ic)]

prōphylāctic, a. & n. (Medicine, measure) tending to prevent disease. [f. Gk *prophylaktikos* f. PRO¹(*phulassō* guard)]

prōphylāxis, n. Preventive treatment of disease. [f. PRO¹+Gk *phulaxis* a guarding, after prec.]

propinquity, n. Nearness in place; close kinship; similarity. [f. obs. F *propinquitē* f. L *propinquitatem* (*propinquus* near f. *prope* near, see -TY)]

propitiāte (-shi-), v.t. Appease (offended person etc.); make propitious. [f. L *propitiare* (as PROPITIUS, see -ATE²)]

propitiātion (-shi-), n. Appeasement; atonement; (arch.) gift etc. meant to propitiate, as *he is the ~ for our sins*. [f. LL *propitiatio* (as prec., see -ATION)]

propitiatorij (-sha-), a. & n. Serving, meant, to propitiate, as *a ~y smile*; (n.) the mercy-seat (esp. fig. of Christ). Hence ~ILY¹ adv. [f. LL *propitiatorius* (as PROPITIATE, see -ORY)]

propitious (-shus), a. Well-disposed, favourable, as *the fates were ~*; (of omens etc.) favourable; (of weather, occasion, etc.) suitable for, favourable to, (purpose). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. OF *propicius* f. L *propitius*, -OUS]

prōp'olis, n. Red resinous substance got by bees from buds to stop up crevices with. [Gk PRO¹(*polis* city) suburb, bee-glue]

propōnent, a. & n. (Person) that puts forward a motion, theory, or proposal. [f. L as PROPOUND, see -ENT]

propōtion, n., & v.t. 1. Comparative part, share, as *a large ~ of the earth's surface*, of the profits; comparative relation, ratio, as *the ~ of births to the population*, *price will be raised in ~ to the labour etc.*, or abs.; due relation of one thing to another or between parts of a thing, as *windows are in admirable ~, his success bore no ~ to his abilities*, whence ~LESS (-sho-) a.; *was out of (all) ~ to, too great for*; (pl.) dimensions, as *athlete, building, of magnificent ~s*; (Math.) equality of ratios between two pairs of quantities, as *3, 5, 9, & 15 are in ~, set of such quantities*, (Arith.) RULE of three. 2. v.t. Make (thing etc.) proportionate to, as *must ~ the punishment to the crime*, whence (-) ~ED¹ (-shoud) a., ~MENT (-sho-) n. [(n.) F, f. L PRO¹(*portionem* PORTION); vb f. OF *proportioner*]

propōtional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. In due proportion, corresponding in degree or amount, as *a ~al increase in the expense*, *resentment ~al to his injuries*, ~al REPRESENTATION, so ~ABLE, ~ATE¹, aa., ~ABLY¹, ~ATELY¹, adv. 2. n. One of the terms of a proportion, as *5, 3, 10, 6, are ~als, 6 is a mean ~al between 3 & 12*. Hence or cogn. ~ALITY n., ~ALLY¹ adv., (-sho-). [f. L *proportionalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

propōtionalist (-sho-), n. One who plans proportions; advocate of proportional representation. [-IST]

propōs'al (-z-), n. Act of proposing something; offer of marriage, as *have had a ~*; scheme of action etc. proposed, as *the ~ was never carried out*. [-AL]

propōse' (-z), v.t. & i. Put forward for consideration, propound; set up as an aim, as *the object I ~ to myself*; nominate (person) as member of society etc.; offer (person's health, person) as toast; make offer of marriage (to); put forward as a plan, as *we ~ (to make) a change, that a change should be made*; intend, purpose, (to do, doing); (abs.) *man ~s, God disposes*. [f. F PRO¹(*poser*, see COMPOSE)]

propōsition (-z-), n. Statement, assertion, as *a ~ too plain to need argument*, esp. (Logic) form of words consisting of predicate & subject connected by copula; (Math., abbr. *prop*) formal statement of theorem or problem, often including the demonstration, as *Euclid, Book I, ~ 5*; proposal, scheme proposed; (sl.) task, job, problem, objective, occupation, trade, opponent, prospect, etc. Hence ~AL (-zisho-) a. [F, f. L *propositionem* (as foll., see -ION)]

propound', v.t. Offer for consideration, propose, (question, problem, scheme, matter, etc., to person); produce (will) before proper authority in order to establish its legality. Hence ~ER¹ n. [earlier *propone* f. L PRO¹(*ponere* post-place), cf. compound etc.]

propraet'or, n. (Rom. hist.). Ex-praetor with authority of praetor in province not under military control. [L, earlier *pro praetore* (one acting for praetor)]

propri'etary, a. & n. 1. Of a proprietor, as *~ rights*; holding property, as *the ~ classes*; held in private ownership, as *~ medicines* (sale of which is restricted by patent etc.). 2. n. Proprietorship, as *an exclusive ~*; body of proprietors, as *the landed ~*. [f. LL *propriarius* (as PROPERTY, see -ARY¹)]

propri'etor, n. Owner. Hence ~GR'IAL a., ~GR'IALY¹ adv., ~ORSHIP, ~RESS¹, nn. [altered in 17th c. f. prec.]

propri'etij, n. Fitness, rightness, as *doubt the ~y of the term*, of refusing him; correctness of behaviour or morals, as *a breach of ~y*; (pl.) details of correct conduct, as *must observe the ~ies*. [(in earlier senses 'ownership, peculiarity') f. F *propriété* PROPERTY]

prōp'riū mōt'ū (or *mōt'ū prōp'riū*), n. Form of papal bull without seal & used in the administration of the papal court. [L, = of our own motion, was included in the formula]

prōps, n. pl. (sl.). Stage properties. [abbr.] **prōptōs'is**, n. (path.). Prolapse, protrusion, esp. of eye. Hence ~ED¹ (-st) a. [LL, f. Gk *proptōsis* f. PRO¹(*ptōō* fall)]

propul'sion (-ahn), n. Driving or pushing forward; **JET**¹ ~ion; (fig.) impelling influence. So ~IVE a. [F (as PROPEL, see -ION)]

propýlae'ium, n. (pl. ~a). Entrance to temple; the P~a, entrance to Acropolis at Athens. [L, f. Gk PRO⁴(pulaion f. pulê gate)]

propýlite, n. Volcanic rock found in some silver-mining regions. Hence ~it'ic a. [f. foll. + -ITE¹, as opening a volcanic epoch]

propýlôn, n. (pl. ~ons, -a). = PROPYLAEUM. [L, f. Gk PRO⁴(pulon f. pulê gate)]

prorogue' (-g), v.t. & i. Discontinue meetings of (British parliament etc.) without dissolving it; (of parliament etc.) be ~d. So **proroga'TION** n. [f. F *proroger* f. L PRO⁴(rogare ask) prolong (term of office etc.)]

pros- in comb. = Gk *pros* to, towards, in addition.

prosá'ic (-z; also *pro-*), a. Like prose, lacking poetic beauty; unromantic, commonplace, dull, as a ~ life, person, view of things. Hence **prosá'ICALLY** adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *prosaicus* (as PROSE, see -IC)]

prosá'ist (-z), n. Prose author; prosaic person. So ~ISM(4) n. [as PROSE, see -IST]

proscén'ium (or *pro-*), n. (pl. -ia). (In ancient theatre) the stage; (mod.) space between curtain or drop-scene & orchestra, esp. with the enclosing arch. [L, f. Gk PRO⁴(skénion f. skênê background of stage)]

proscribe', v.t. Put (person) out of protection of law; banish, exile, (esp. fig.); reject, denounce, (practice etc.) as dangerous etc. So **proscrip'tion** n., **proscrip'tive** a. [f. L PRO⁴(scribere script-write)]

prose (-z), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Ordinary non-metrical form of written or spoken language (*Milton's ~ works*); (Eccl.) = SEQUENCE; ~ poem, ~ work of poetical style; plain matter-of-fact quality, as the ~ of existence; tedious discourse. 2. v.i. Talk prosily (about etc.), whence **prös'ix**¹ (-z) n. 3. v.t. Turn (poem etc.) into ~. [F, f. L *prosa* (oratio) straightforward (discourse), fem. of *prosus*, earlier *prorsus*, contraction of PRO⁴(versus p.p. of *vertere* turn)]

prosec'tor, n. One who dissects dead bodies in preparation for anatomical lecture etc. [LL, = anatomist, f. PRO⁴(secare sect-cut)]

proséc'ute, v.t. Follow up, pursue, (inquiry, studies); carry on (trade, pursuit); institute legal proceedings against (person), as trespassers will be ~d, (abs.) shall not ~. [f. L PRO⁴(sequi secut-follow)]

prosecú'tion, n. Prosecuting (of pursuit etc.); (Law) institution and carrying on of criminal charge before court; carrying on of legal proceedings against person; prosecuting party, as the ~ denied this;

|| *director of public ~s*, English public prosecutor. [f. LL *prosecutio* (prec., -ION)] **pros'ecutor**, n. One who prosecutes esp. in criminal court; *public ~*, law officer conducting criminal proceedings in public interest. Hence **proséc'ur'rix** n. (pl. -ices pr. -iséz). [med. L (as PROSECUTE, see -OR³)]

pros'élyt'e, n., & v.t. 1. Convert from one opinion, creed, or party, to another, as made many ~es; Gentile convert to Jewish faith, ~e of the gate (not submitting to circumcision etc.). 2. v.t. (now rare). Make a ~e of (person, or abs.). Hence ~ISM(1, 2), ~IZER¹, nn., ~IZE(2) v.t. (often abs.). [(vb f. n.) f. LL f. Gk PROS(elytês f. st. eluth-come) one who has come, convert]

prosên'chýma (-ngk-), n. (bot.). Tissue of elongated cells placed with their ends interpenetrating (cf. PARENCHYMA), esp. fibro-vascular tissue. Hence ~TOUS (-éngklm²) a. [f. Gk *pros* toward, as PARENCHYMA]

pros'ify (-z), v.t. & i. Turn into prose, make prosaic; write prose. [-FY]

pros'it, int. used in drinking person's health, wishing him success, etc., lit. = may it benefit you. [L]

pros'od'y, n. Science of versification. Hence ~I'ACAL, **prosód'IAL**, **prosód'ic**, aa., ~IST n. [f. L f. Gk PROS(ôidia as ode)]

prosôpopoe'ia (-pôia), n. (rhet.). Introduction of pretended speaker; personification of abstract thing. [L, f. Gk *prosôpopoia* (*prosôpon* person + *poieô* make)]

prospect, n., & v.i. & t. 1. (pros'pekt). Extensive view of landscape etc., as a fine, striking, ~; mental scene, as opened a new ~ to his mind; expectation, what one expects, as offers a gloomy ~, his ~s were brilliant, no ~ of success, have nothing in ~ at present, whence ~LESS a.; (Mining) spot giving ~s of mineral deposit, sample of ore for testing, resulting yield; possible of probable customer, subscriber, etc. 2. (pros'pekt'). v.i. Explore region (for gold etc.), so **prospéc'tor**² (or *pros'*) n.; (fig.) look out for, (of mine) promise (well, ill); (v.t.) explore (region) for gold etc., work (mine) experimentally, (of mine) promise (specified yield). [(vb f. n.) as PROSPECTUS]

prospéc'tive, a. Concerned with, applying to, the future (cf. RETROSPECTIVE), as the law was held to be exclusively ~, implies a ~ obligation; expected, future, some day to be, as ~ peer, bridegroom, profit. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *prospectivus* (as foll., see -IVE)]

prospéc'tus, n. (pl. ~es). Circular describing chief features of school, commercial enterprise, forthcoming book, etc. [L, gen. -ûs, = prospect, f. PRO⁴(specere = specere look)]

pros'per, v.i. & t. Succeed, thrive, as

cheats never ~, nothing will ever ~ in his hands; make successful, as *Heaven ~ our attempt*. [f. F *prosperer* f. L *prosperare*, as foll.]

pros'perous, a. Flourishing, successful, thriving, as a ~ merchant, enterprise, whence or cogn. **prospér'ity** n., ~LY² adv.; auspicious, as a ~ gale, in a ~ hour. [f. obs. F *prosperous* f. L *prosperus*, see -OUS]

pros'tâte, n. Large gland, each of several small glands, accessory to male generative organs in mammals. Hence **prostát'ic** a. [f. med. L (-ta) f. Gk *PRO²(statēs f. stand) one who stands before*]

pros'thesis, n. (Gram.) addition of letter or syllable at beginning of word; (Surg.) making up of deficiencies (e.g. by false teeth or wooden leg) as a branch of surgery. So **prosthēt'ic** a. [L, f. Gk *prosthesis* f. *PRO²(tithēmi put, vbl adj. thetos)*]

pros'titute, n., & v.t. 1. Woman who offers her body to indiscriminate sexual intercourse esp. for hire. 2. v.t. Make a ~ of (oneself); (fig.) sell for base gain (one's honour etc.), put (abilities etc.) to infamous use. So **prostitū'tion** n. [f. L *PRO¹(sticare ut=statuere set up, place) offer for sale*]

pros'trâte¹(or -at), a. Lying with face to ground, esp. as token of submission or humility; lying in horizontal position; overcome, overthrown, as *had laid the Whig party ~*; physically exhausted; (Bot.) lying flat on ground. [f. L p.p. as foll.]

prostrâte² (or *prosc²*), v.t. Lay (person etc.) flat on ground; cast oneself down prostrate (at shrine, before person etc.); (fig.) overcome, make submissive; (of fatigue etc.) reduce to extreme physical weakness. So **prostrat'ion** n. [f. L *PRO¹(sternere strät=lay flat)*]

pros'tyle, n. & a. Portico of not more than four columns in front of Greek temple; (adj.) having a ~. [f. L (-os) f. Gk ¹*PRO²(stulos style²)*]

pros'ty (-z), a. Commonplace, tedious, dull, as ~ talk(er). Hence ~ily² adv., ~INESS n. [f. PROSE + -Y¹]

protäg'onist, n. Chief person in drama or plot of story; leading person in contest, principal performer; (erron.) advocate, champion, of course, method, etc. [f. Gk *protagōnistēs* (*protos* first + *agōnistēs* actor, as AGONIZE)]

prot'asis, n. (pl. -asēs). Introductory clause, esp. clause expressing condition (cf. APODOSIS). So **protāt'ic** a. [LL, f. Gk *PRO²(tasis f. teinō stretch) stretching forward, proposition*]

prot'éan, a. Variable, versatile; of or like PROTEUS. [-AN]

protéc't, v.t. Keep safe, defend, guard, (person, thing, from, against, danger, injury, etc.); (Pol. Econ.) guard (home industry) against competition by imposts

on foreign goods; (Commerce.) provide funds to meet (bill, draft); provide (machinery etc.) with appliances to prevent injury from it, as ~ed rifles. [f. L *PRO¹(legere test-cover)*]

protéc'tion, n. Protecting, defence, as *is safe under your ~, affords ~ against weather*; patronage, as *book was indebted to your kind ~*; protecting person or thing, as *man, dog, is a great ~ against burglars*; live under X's ~, (of a woman) be kept by X; safe-conduct; U.S. certificate of American citizenship issued to seamen; (Pol. Econ.) system of protecting home industries, whence ~ISM(3), ~ISM(2), nn., (-sho). [F, f. LL *protectionem* (as prec., see -ION)]

protéc'tive, a. Serving or intended to protect; (of foods) protecting against deficiency diseases; ~ custody, (usu.) detention of persons in order to protect the State from their (real or suspected) subversive activities. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-IVE]

protéc'tor, n. Person who protects; regent in charge of kingdom during minority, absence, etc., of sovereign, *Lord P~ of the Commonwealth*, title of Oliver Cromwell (1653-8) & Richard Cromwell (1658-9), whence ~AL a., ~SHIP n.; thing, device, that protects, as *CHEST~*, *point~* (for pencil). Hence **protéc'tress¹** n. [f. OF *protectour* f. LL *protector* (as PROTECT, see -OR²)]

protéc'torate, n. Office of protector of kingdom or State; period of this, esp. of the ~ of O. & R. Cromwell; protectorship of weak state by stronger one, esp. of territory inhabited by backward tribes; such territory. [-ATE¹]

protéc'tor'y, n. (Rom. Cath.). Institution for care of destitute or vicious children. [as PROTECT, see -ORY]

protégé (*prot'ézhā*), n. (fem. ~e). Person to whom another is (usu. permanent) protector or patron. [F, p.p. of *protéger* PROTECT]

prot'éid, n. = PROTEIN (1st sense). [-ID⁴]

prot'éiform, a. Very changeable in form. [f. PROTEUS + -FORM]

prot'éin, n. (chem.). (Now preferred in scient. use to *proteid*) albuminoid, kinds of organic compound (containing carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, & nitrogen, freq. also sulphur, occas. phosphorus) forming an important part of all living organisms, and the essential nitrogenous constituent of the food of animals; (orig.) supposed basis of albuminoids. Hence ~AL'CEOUS (-āshus), **protéin'ic**, **proté'inous**, aa. [G, f. Gk *proteios* primary (*protos* first), see -IN]

protér(o) in comb. = Gk *proteros* former, anterior, as ~an'drous, ~o'gynous, having stamens (pistil) mature before pistil (stamens).

prot'ést¹, n. Formal statement of dissent

or disapproval, remonstrance, as *made a ~, paid it under ~*; || written statement of dissent from motion carried in H. of Lords signed by any peer of minority; written declaration usu. by notary public that bill has been duly presented & payment or acceptance refused; solemn declaration. [obs. F, as foll.]

protēst¹, v.t. & i. Affirm solemnly (one's innocence etc., *that*, or *abs.*); write a protest in regard to (bill, see *prec.*); make (often written) protest *against* (action, proposal), whence *~ER*¹, *~OR*², *nn.*, *~ingly*² adv. [f. F *protester* f. L *pro*¹(*testari* aver f. *testis* witness)]

prot'estant, P-, n. & a. (Member, adherent) of any of the Christian bodies that separated from the Roman communion in the Reformation (16th c.) or their offshoots, whence P-*ISM*(3) n., P-*IZE*(3) v.t. & i.; (Hist., pl.) those who dissented from decision of Diet of Spire (1529), adherents of reformed doctrines in Germany; (*also* *protēs*¹) making, maker of, a protest. [F or G (as *prec.*), -ANT]

protēst'ation, n. Solemn affirmation (*of, that*); protest (*against*). [F, f. LL *protestatio* (as *prec.*, see -ATION)]

Prot'ēus (-tīs), n. Changing or inconstant person or thing; (earlier name for) amoeba; kinds of bacteria; kinds of tailed amphibian with eel-like body & four short legs. [L, f. Gk *Prōteus* sea-god taking various shapes]

prōthalām'ium, -iōn, n. (pl. -ia). Preliminary nuptial song. [(*-on*) made by Spenser on EPITHALAMIUM (PRO-²)]

prōth'ēsis, n. (Placing of eucharistic elements on) credence-table, part of church where this stands; (Gram.)=PROTHESIS, so *prōthēt'ic* a. [Gk *prothesis* f. *pro*²(*ti-thēmi* place)]

protis'ta, n. pl. Kingdom of organized beings not distinguished as animals or plants. [Gk *protista*, neut. pl. double superl. f. *prōtos* first]

prōto- in comb.=Gk *prōtos* first. 1. = chief, original, primitive, as: *~A-rabic*, *~Cel'tic*, etc., of the original Arabs etc.; *~genēt'ic*, *~gēn'ic*, of first period of formation of growth; *prōt'ogine*, kind of granite found in Alps, assumed to be the most ancient; *~hipp'us*, extinct quadruped related to horse; *prō'tomartyr* (-ter), first martyr (esp., of Christians, St Stephen); *prōt'oph'yta* n. pl., the most simply organized plants, each consisting of a single cell, *prōt'ophyte*, such plant; *~ther'ia* n. pl., mammals of the lowest subclass, their hypothetical ancestors; *~zō'a* n. pl., great division of animal kingdom comprising animals of simplest type consisting of single cell & usu. microscopic, *~zō'on*, such animal; *~zō'al* a., *~zō'on* a. & n., (animal) of the *~zoa*, (of disease) caused by parasitic *~zoon*; *~zō'ic*, (Geol., of strata) containing earliest

traces of living beings, (*also*) = *~zoal*; *~zōol'ogy*, study of *~zoa*. 2. In chem. names of compounds in which the element or radical combines in smallest proportion with another element, as *~chlor'idē*, *~sulph'idē*, *prōt'oxide*, compound containing minimum of chlorine, sulphur, oxygen.

prōt'ocōl, n., & v.i. & t. (-ll-). 1. Original draft of diplomatic document, esp. of terms of treaty agreed to in conference & signed by the parties; formal statement of transaction; (in France) etiquette department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs; official formulas at beginning & end of charter, papal bull, etc. 2. v.b. Draw up ~s; record in ~. [f. OF *protocole* f. med. L f. Gk *PROTO(kollon* f. *kolla* glue) fly-leaf glued to book]

prōt'ōn, n. (physics). Unit of positive electricity, forming part (or, in hydrogen, whole) of the nucleus of the atom (cf. ELECTRON). [neut. of Gk *prōtos* first]

prōtonōt'ar'ij, **prōtho-**, (*or* *prōtōn'o-*), n. Chief clerk in some law courts, esp. (Hist.) Chancery, Common Pleas, & King's Bench, (orig. in Byzantine court); *P-ies Apostolic(al)*, twelve prelates who register papal acts, direct canonization of saints, etc. [f. LL f. late Gk *PROTONOTARIOS* NOTARY]

prōt'oplāsm, n. Semifluid semitransparent colourless substance consisting of oxygen, hydrogen, carbon, & nitrogen, basis of life in plants & animals. Hence **prōtoplāsmāt'ic**, **prōtoplāsm'ic**, aa., (-z-). [f. G *PROTO(PLASMA)*]

prōt'oplāst, n. The first created man; original, model; unit or mass of protoplasm. Hence **prōtoplāst'ic** a. [f. LL f. Gk *PROTO(plastos* moulded, as *PLASMA*)]

prōt'otype, n. The original thing or person in relation to any copy, imitation, representation, later specimen, improved form, etc. Hence *~t'yp'al*, *~t'yp'ic(AL)*, aa. [F, f. Gk *PROTO(tupon* f. *tupos* TYPE)]

protract', v.t. Prolong, lengthen out, as *~ed their stay for some weeks*, whence *~ēdly*² adv.; draw (plan of ground etc.) to scale. [f. L *pro(trahere tract-* draw)]

protrāc'tile, a. (zool.). (Of organ etc.) that can be extended. [-ILE]

protrāc'tion, n. Protracting; action of protractor muscle; drawing to scale. [f. LL *protractio* (as *PROTRACT*, see -ION)]

protrāc'tor, n. Instrument for measuring angles, usu. in form of graduated semicircle; muscle serving to extend limb etc. [med. L (as *prec.*, see -OR²)]

protrude (-ōd), v.t. & i. Thrust forth, cause to project; (fig.) obtrude; stick out, project. Hence or cogn. **protru'dent**, **protru'sible**, **protru'sive**, aa., (-ō-). **protru'sion** (-ōzhn) n. [f. L *PRO*¹(*trudere* *trus-* thrust)]

protru'sile (-ō-), a. (Of limb etc.) that may be thrust forth. [as *prec.*, see -ILE]

protub'er/ant, a. Bulging out, prominent (lit. & fig.). Hence ~ANCE n. [f. L PRO¹. (*tubere* f. *tuber* hump), see -ANT]

prôt'yle, n. (chem.). Supposed original undifferentiated matter of which chemical elements may be composed. [f. PROTO- + -YL]

proud, a. & adv. 1. Valuing oneself highly or too highly, esp. on the ground of (qualities, rank, possessions, etc.); (also ~hearted) haughty, arrogant; feeling oneself greatly honoured, as *am ~ of his acquaintance*, of knowing him, to know him; having a proper PRIDE, as *too ~ to complain*; HOUSE¹~; (of actions etc.) showing pride; of which one is or may be justly ~, as *a ~ day for us*, *a ~ sight*; (of things) imposing, splendid; (of waters) swollen, in flood; ~flesh, overgrown flesh round healing wound. 2. adv. (colloq.). *You do me ~* (honour me greatly). Hence ~LY² adv. [OE *prūt*, -d, prob. f. OF *prud* (F *preux*) f. LL ⁺*prodīs* useful, cf. L *prodessē* be of use]

prove (prōv), v.t. & i. (arch. p.p. ~en). (Arch.) test qualities of, try; subject (gun etc.) to testing process; (Arith.) test accuracy of (calculation); the EXCEPTION ~es the rule; take proof impression of (stereotype plate etc.); make certain, demonstrate, (*fact*, the truth of, thing etc. to be, that), whence ~ABLE a., ~ableness n., ~ably² adv., (-ōv-) (So. Law, as verdict in criminal trial) not proven; establish genuineness & validity of (will); (intr.) turn out (to be, to do), turn out to be, as *will ~e (to be) the heir*, to know nothing about it. [f. OF *prover* f. L *prover* test]

provéd'itor, **prōvédōre**, nn. (-tor) officer of Venetian republic; caterer, purveyor. [f. obs. It. *proveditore*, Port. *provedor*, ult. f. L as PROVIDE, see -OR²]

prōv'enance, n. (Place of) origin, as *vases of doubtful ~*. [F, f. *provenir* f. L PRO¹. (*venire* come), see -ANCE]

Provençal (see Ap.), a. & n. (Inhabitant, language) of Provence. [F, as PROVINCIAL]

prōv'ender, n. Fodder; (Joc.) food for human beings. [f. OF *provend(r)e* corrupt. f. L as PREBEND]

prōv'en'ence, n. = PROVENANCE. [f. L as PROVENANCE, see -ENCE]

prōv'er'b, n. Short pithy saying in general use, adage, saw; *ignorant etc. to a ~* (notoriously); *their fickleness is a ~* (notorious), *he is a ~* (byword) for inaccuracy; play (usu. French) based on ~; (pl.) kinds of round game; *Book of P~s* (in O.T.). [f. F *proverbe* f. L PRO¹ (*verbum* f. *verbum* word)]

proverb'ial, a. Of, expressed in, proverbs, as ~ wisdom; that has become a proverb, notorious. Hence ~ITY (-ál²) n., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *proverbialis* (as prec., see -AL)]

prōv'iant, n. Food supply esp. of army. [G, ult. f. L as PROVENDER]

provid'e, v.i. & t. 1. Make due preparation (for person's safety, entertainment, etc., against attack etc., rarely for undestorable thing); (of person, law, etc.) stipulate (that); supply, furnish, (person with thing, thing for or to person); equip with necessities, as *you must ~e yourselves*; make provision, esp. secure maintenance, (for oneself, family, etc.). 2. (hist.). Appoint (incumbent to benefice); (of pope) appoint (successor to benefice not yet vacant). 3. ~ing (that) conj., = foll. [f. L PRO¹ (*vidēre* vis-see)]

provid'ed, a. & conj. 1. In vbl senses, as || ~ school, public elementary school ~ by local authority. 2. conj. On the condition or understanding, as ~ (that) all is safe, ~ (that) he does no harm. [-ED¹]

prōv'idence, n. Foresight, timely care; thrift; beneficent care of God or nature, special ~, particular instance of this; (P~) God. [F, f. L *providentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

prōv'id'ent, a. Having or showing foresight; thrifty. Hence ~LY² adv. [as PROVIDE, see -ENT]

prōvidén'tial (-shl), a. Of, by, divine foresight or interposition; opportune, lucky. Hence ~LY² (-sha-) adv. [f. L as PROVIDENCE + -AL]

provid'er, n. In vbl senses; *lion's ~*, jackal (lit. & fig.); || universal ~, tradesman dealing in all or many kinds of goods etc. [-ER¹]

prōv'ince, n. (Rom. Hist.) territory outside Italy under Roman governor; principal division of country etc.; (Ecol.) district under archbishop or metropolitan; the ~s, whole of a country outside the capital; sphere of action, business, as (*is not within*) my ~; branch of learning etc., as *in the ~ of polite letters*. [F, f. L *provincia* official duty, province, etym. dub.]

provin'cial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of a province; of the provinces; having the manners, speech, narrow views, etc., prevalent in these, whence ~ITY (-shlál²) n. 2. n. Inhabitant of a province or the provinces (also ~IST n.); countryfied person; (Ecol.) head of, chief of religious order in, a province. Hence ~IZE v.t., ~LY² adv., (-sha-). [f. L *provincialis* (as prec., see -AL)]

provin'cialism (-sha-), n. Provincial manner, fashion, mode of thought, etc.; word, phrase, peculiar to county etc.; attachment to one's province rather than country. [-ISM]

provi'sion (-zhn), n., & v.t. 1. Providing (for, against), esp. make ~; provided amount of something. 2. pl. Supply of food, eatables & drinkables, whence ~INES (-zho-) a. 3. Legal or formal statement providing for something, clause of this. 4. (hist.). Appointment to benefice not yet vacant; *P~s of Oxford*,

ordinances for checking king's misrule drawn up by barons under Simon de Montfort in 1258. 5. v.t. Supply with ~s, whence ~MENT (-zho-) n. [F, f. L *provisionem* (as PROVIDE, see -ION)]

provis'ional (-zho-), a. For the time being, temporary. Hence **provis'ional'ITY**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY³ adv., (-zho-). [-AL] **provis'o** (-zō), n. (pl. ~s). Stipulation; clause of stipulation or limitation in document. [L, neut. abl. p.p., =PROVIDED *that*]

provis'or (-z-), n. 1. (hist.). Holder of a PROVISION; *Statute of P~s* (preventing pope from granting provisions). 2. (R.-C. Oh.) vicar general. [f. AF *provisour* f. L *provisorem* (as PROVIDE, see -OR²)]

provis'or'y (-z-), a. Conditional; making provision, as ~y care. Hence ~ILY³ adv. [f. proc., see -ORY]

provōc'a'tion, n. Incitement, instigation, irritation, as *did it under severe ~*. [F, f. L *provocationem* (as PROVOKE, see -ATION)]

provōc'ative, a. & n. (Thing) tending to provocation (of curiosity etc.); intentionally irritating. [f. LL *provocativus* (foll., -IVE)]

provōk|e', v.t. Rouse, incite, (person to anger, to do); irritate; instigate, tempt, allure; call forth (indignation, inquiry, a storm, etc.); cause, as *will ~e fermentation*. Hence ~ING³ a., ~INGLY³ adv. [f. L *PRO* (vocare call)]

prov'ost (in mil. senses *provō'*), n. 1. || Head of some colleges at Oxford, Cambridge, etc.; (Hist.) head of chapter or religious community. 2. || Head of Scottish municipal corporation or burgh (in some cities, *Lord P~*). 3. Protestant clergyman in charge of principal church of town etc. in Germany etc. 4. ~ *marshal*, head of military police in camp or on active service, master-at-arms of ship on which court martial is to be held, chief police official in some colonies, (Hist.) French semi-military officer; ~ *sergeant*, sergeant of military police. Hence ~SHIP n. [OE has *profoſt*, *pra-* cf. OF *provost*, *pre-*, G *probat*, ult. f. L *propositus*=*praepositus*, see *PRAEPOSTOR*]

prow', n. Fore-part immediately about stem of boat or ship; (Zool., also *prora*) ~like projection in front. [f. F *proue* prob. ult. f. L *prora* f. Gk *prō(i)ra*]

|| **prow'** a. (arch.). Worthy, gallant. [f. OF *prou*, *prod.* (F *proue*) f. LL as *PROUD*]

prow'ess, n. Valour, gallantry. [f. OF *proee* (as *prec.*, see -ESS³)]

prowl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Go about in search of plunder or prey (also fig.); traverse (streets, place) thus. 2. n. ~ing, esp. on the ~. Hence ~ER³ n. [ME *prollen*, etym. dub.]

prōx'imal, a. (anat.). Situated towards centre of body or of point of attachment (cf. DISTAL). Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L *proximus* nearest + -AL]

prōx'imate, a. Nearest, next before or after (in place, order, time, connexion of thought, etc.); approximate. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. LL *proximare* draw near (as *prec.*), see -ATE³]

|| **prōx'imē accēss'it** (aks-), sent., & n. (pl. ~ess'unt). (Placed in list after name of candidate for prize etc.) he came very near (the winner); (n.) *I was, he got a, ~* (was very near). [L]

prōxim'ity, n. Nearness in space, time, etc. (to); ~ of blood, kinship. [f. F *proximité* f. L *proximitatem* (as PROXIMAL, see -ITY)]

prōx'imō, a. (abbr. *prox.*). Of next month, as the 3rd *prox.* [L, =in next (mense month)]

prōx'y, n. Agency of substitute or deputy, as *married, voted, by ~*; person authorized to act for another, as *made me his ~*; writing authorizing person to vote on behalf of another, vote so given: (attrib.) done, given, made, by ~. [f. obs. *procuracy* f. med. L *procuratia* (as PROCURATION, see -ACY)]

pru'dle (prōd), n. Woman of extreme (esp. affected) propriety in conduct or speech. Hence or cogn. ~ERY(4), ~ISH-NESS, nn., ~ISH¹ a., ~ISHLY³ adv. (-ōō-). [mod. F. f. OF *prude*, *prude*, good, modest, fem. adj. as *PROW'*, as n. perh. back formation f. *prud'femme*]

pru'dlent (-ōō-), a. (Of person or conduct) sagacious, discreet, worldly-wise. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY³ adv. [f. L *prudens*=*providens* PROVIDENT]

prudē'tial (-ōō-, -shl), a. & n. Of, involving, marked by, prudence, as ~ *motives, policy*; (n. pl.) ~ *considerations* or matters. Hence ~ISM(2), ~IST(2), nn., ~LY³ adv., (-ōō-, -shā-). [f. PRUDENCE + -AL]

prud'homme (prūdōm'), n. Member of French tribunal appointed to decide labour disputes. [F]

pru'inōse (-ōō-), a. (nat. hist.). Covered with white powdery substance, frosted. [f. L *pruinus* (*pruina* hoar-frost, see -OSE¹)]

prune (prūn), n. Dried plum; colour of its juice, dark reddish purple (esp. attrib.); ~s & *prism* (of mincing way of speaking etc., *Little Dorrit* II. v). [F, f. med. L *pruna* (L -num) f. Gk *prou(n)non* plum]

prune' (prūn), v.t. Trim (tree etc., often down) by cutting away superfluous branches etc.; lop off, away (branches etc.); (fig.) remove (superfluities); *pruning-hook* (used for this purpose); clear (book etc. of what is superfluous). [f. OF *proofing(n)ier*, etym. dub.]

prune' (prūn), v.t. (now rare). =PREEN. [1]

prunēll'a' (prūd-), n. Strong silk or worsted stuff used formerly for barristers' gowns etc. & later for uppers of women's

shoes; **LEATHER** & ~. [etym. dub.; F has *prunelle*]

prunell'a (prō-), n. Kinds of fever & of throat disorder; ~ *salt*, preparation of fused nitre used for ~; genus of plants including the weed Self-heal used to cure ~. [earlier *br-*, dim. of med. L *brunus* brown]

prunell'ō (prō-), n. (pl. ~s). Finest kind of prune, made esp. from greenagages. [f. obs. It. *prunella* dim. of *pruna* PRUNE¹]

prunt, n. Piece of (esp. blackberry-shaped) ornamental glass laid on to vase etc., tool for applying this. [perh. dial. form of *print*]

prur'ient (-oor-), a. Given to indulgence of lewd ideas; (rare) having morbid desire or curiosity. Hence ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently² adv. [f. L *prurire* itch, be wanton, see ~ENT]

prurig'ō, -it'us, (-oor-), nn. (Diseased state of skin marked by) violent itching (-tus). So **prurig'inous** (-oor-) a. [L (gen. -ginis, -tūs), =itching, as prec.]

Prū'ssian (-shn), a. & n. (Native, inhabitant) of Prussia; ~ *blue*, a deep blue pigment, ~ *brown*, *green* (derived from or allied to this); ~ (small kind of) *carp*. Hence ~IZE(3) (-sha-) v.t., (esp.) assimilate to the ~ system of sacrificing the individual to the State. [f. med. L *Pruzzi* (also *Borussi* etc.) + ~AN]

prūss'ic, a. Of, got from, Prussian blue; ~ *acid* (HYDROCYANIC). [f. F *prussique* (Prusse Prussia, see -IC)]

pry¹, v.i. Look, peer, inquisitively (often into, about adv.); inquire impertinently into (person's affairs, conduct, etc.). Hence ~ING¹ a., ~ingly¹ adv. [ME *prien*, etym. dub.]

pry², v.t. Var. of PRIZE².

prytanē'um, n. (Gk Ant.). Public hall, esp. one in Athens for entertainment of ambassadors, presidents of senate, & specially honoured citizens. [L, f. Gk *prutaneion* (*prutanis* president, member of presiding division of BOULE)]

psalm (sahm), n. Sacred song, hymn; *the* (Book of) *P-s*, (pop.) *the P-s of David*, book in O.T.; ~*book*, book containing the *P-s*, metrical version of these for public worship. [f. L f. Gk *psalmos* song sung to harp (*psallō* twang, sing to harp)]

psalm'ist (sahm-), n. Author of a psalm (also as title of book of psalmody); *the P-s*, David or author of any of the Psalms. [f. LL *psalmista* (as prec., see -IST)]

psal'mod'y (sahm-, sāl-m-), n. Practice, art, of singing psalms, hymns, anthems, etc., esp. in public worship, whence **psalmōd'ic** (sāl-) a., ~IST n., ~IZE(2) v.i., (sahm-, sāl-m-); arrangement of psalms for singing, psalms so arranged. [f. LL *psalmodia* f. Gk *psalmōdia* singing to harp (as *PSALM* + *ōdiō* song)]

psal'ter (sawl-), n. The Book of Psalms; version of this, as *Latin*, *English*, *Prayer-*

book, *Scotch Metrical*, 1~; copy of the *Psalm*, esp. for liturgical use. [AF *sauter* f. L f. Gk *psalterion* instrument played by twanging (*psallō* twang)]

psal'tery (sawl-), n. Ancient & medieval instrument like dulcimer but played by plucking strings with fingers or plectrum. [f. OF *saltiere* f. L as prec.]

psēph'ism (or s-), n. ((Gk Ant.). Decree enacted by vote of (esp. Athenian) public assembly. [f. Gk *psēphisma* (*psēphizō* vote f. *psēphos* pebble, -M)]

pseud'ēchis (or s-, -k-), n. (zool.). Genus of venomous snakes, as ~ *poisoning*. [f. PSEUDO- + Gk *ekhis* viper]

pseudēpig'raph'a (or s-), n. pl. Spurious writings, esp. Jewish writings ascribed to various O.T. prophets etc. Hence ~AL, **pseudēpig'raph'ic** (AL), aa. [neut. pl. of Gk *PSEUD(epigraphos)*, see EPIGRAPH]

pseud(o)- (or s-) in comb. = Gk *pseudo-* false(ly), seeming(ly) or professed(ly) but not real(ly), in comp. f. Gk. & as living pref. (occurs written separately without hyphen as adj., as *the ~o penitent*), as: ~*archaic*, artificially archaic in style etc., so ~*arch'ism*, ~*arch'aist*; ~*o-carp* (Bot.), fruit formed from other parts besides the ovary; ~*o-cath'olic*; ~*o-Christ*; ~*o-Christ'ian*; ~*o-class'ic*, pretending or wrongly held to be classic; ~*o-Goth'ic*, sham Gothic in style; ~*o-mart'yr*; ~*o-proph'et*.

pseud'ograph (or s-, -ahf), n. A spurious literary work. [f. LL f. Gk PSEUDO-(*graphos* -GRAPH)]

pseudōl'ogier (or s-), n. (joc.). Systematic liar. So **pseudolō'gical** a., ~IST n. [f. Gk *PSEUDO(logos)*, see -LOGER]

pseud'o'mōrph (or s-), n. False form, esp. (Mineral.) crystal etc. consisting of one mineral with form proper to another. Hence ~*mōrph'ic*, ~*mōrph'ous*, aa., ~*mōrph'ism*(2), ~*mōrph'ous'is*, nn. [f. PSEUDO- + Gk *mōrphē* form]

pseud'onym (or s-), n. Fictitious name, esp. one assumed by author. [f. Gk neut. adj. as foll.]

pseud'on'ymous (or s-), a. Writing, written, under a false name. Hence ~*onym'ity* n. [f. Gk *PSEUD(ōnumos* f. *onoma* name) + -OUS]

pseud'o'scōpe (or s-), n. Optical instrument making convex object seem concave & vice versa. Hence ~*scōp'ic* a. [-SCOPE]

psəw (psh-, eh-), int., n., & v.i. & t. Int. expr. contempt or impatience; (n.) this exclamation; (v.i.) say ~ (often at); (v.t.) show contempt for (thing etc.) thus. [natural]

psi, n. Greek letter (ψ, φ) = ps. [Gk]

psilān'throp'ism (or s-), n. Doctrine that Christ was a mere man. So **psilan'throp'ic** a., ~IST n. [f. eccl. Gk *psilanthrōpos* merely human (*psilos* bare, mere, + *anthrōpos* man) + -ISM]

psilō'sis (or s-), n. (path.). Stripping bare,

e.g. of hair or flesh; =SPRUE¹. [Gk (prec., -OSIS)]

psitt'acine (or s-), a. Of parrots, parrot-like. [f. L *psittacinus* (Epithet parrot, see -INE¹)]

psittacō'sis (or s-), n. Epidemic disease somewhat resembling typhoid fever and pneumonia said to be caught by human beings from parrots. [f. L *psittacus* parrot + -OSIS]

psō's (or s-), n. ~ *magnus, parvus*, two hip muscles. [Gk, acc. pl. of *psoa*, taken as sing.]

psō'a (or s-), n. A contagious skin disease, itch. [L, f. Gk *psōra*]

psōr'i'asis (or s-), n. Skin disease marked by red patches covered with scales. [prec., -ASIS]

psyche (psīk'ī, s-), n. 1. Soul, spirit, mind, (in Gk Myth. personified as beloved of Eros, & represented with butterfly wings). 2. Genus of dayflying moths. [f. Gk *psukhē* breath, life, soul]

psychi'atrist (psīk-, sīk-), n. One who treats mental disease. So *psychiāt'ri-ō(AL)* aa., ~Y¹ n., (psīk-, sīk-). [f. Gk as prec. + *iātros* physician + -IST]

psych'ic (psīk-, sīk-), a. & n. 1. = foll.; ~ *force*, non-physical force assumed to explain spiritualistic phenomena. 2. n. Person susceptible to ~ influence, medium; (pl.) psychology; psychical research. [f. Gk *psukhikos* (as PSYCHE, see -IC)]

psych'ical (psīk-, sīk-), a. Of the soul or mind, whence ~LY² adv.; of the animal life of man; of phenomena & conditions apparently outside domain of physical law, esp. ~ *research*, so **psych'icism**, **psych'icist**, nn., (psīk-, sīk-). [-AL]

psych'o- (psīk-, sīk-), in comb. = Gk *psukhē* soul, mind, as: ~*ō-anāl'ysis*, the psychology of Freud, Jung, & Adler, dividing the mind into conscious & unconscious elements, & investigating the interactions of these (so ~*ō-an'al'ysē* v.t., ~*ō-an'al'yst* n., ~*ō-an'al'ist* a.); ~*ō-dīnām'ic(s)*, (science) of the mental powers; ~*ōgen'esia*, ~*ōg'ony*, genesis of soul or mind, so ~*ōgenē't'ic(al)*, ~*ōgōn'ical*, aa.; ~*ōgram*, writing supposed to come from a spirit, ~*ōgraph*, instrument for writing this; ~*ōg'raphy*, descriptive branch of psychology, (also) spirit-writing; ~*ōmancy*, occult communication between souls or with spirits; ~*ōm'etry*, faculty of divining from physical contact or proximity the qualities of an object or of persons etc. that have been in contact with it, so ~*ōmē't'ic(al)* aa.; ~*ōmō't'or* a., inducing movement by psychic action; ~*ōneurō'sis*, mental disease consisting in loss of balance between instincts & controlling power; ~*ōpath*, mentally deranged person, ~*ōpath'ic*, ~*ōp'athist*, ~*ōp'athō'ogy*, ~*ōp'athy*, of, one who treats, science of, mental disease; ~*ōphys'ica*,

science of general relations between mind & body, so ~*ōphys'ical* a., ~*ōphys'icist* n.; ~*ōphysiō'ogy*, branch of physiology dealing with mental phenomena, so ~*ōphysiolo'gical* a., ~*ōphysiō'ogist* n.; ~*ōtherapeu'tic*, ~*ōthē'rapp*, (of) treatment of disease by hypnotic influence.

psychōlō'gical (psīk-, sīk-), a. Of psychology; ~ *moment* [f. F mistransl. of G *moment* neut. potent element as *moment* masc. moment of time], the ~ly appropriate moment, (improp., esp. joc.) nick of time. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ICAL]

psychōl'og'y (psīk-, sīk-), n. Science of nature, functions, & phenomena, of human soul or mind; treatise on, system of, this. So ~IST n., ~IZE(2, 3) v.t. & i. [-LOGY]

psychō'sis (psīk-, sīk-), n. (pl. -oses). Severe mental derangement involving the whole personality, mental disease. [f. late Gk *psukhōsis* (*psukhōs* give life to, as PSYCHE, see -OSIS)]

psychrōm'eter (psīk-, sīk-), n. Wet- & dry-bulb thermometer. [f. Gk *psukhros* cold + -METER]

ptārm'igan (t-), n. Bird of grouse family, with black or grey plumage in summer & white in winter. [= Gaelic *tàrmachan*, etym. dub.; p- is pseudo-etym. after Gk wds in *pt-*]

ptērid'ol'og'y (pt-, t-), n. Study of ferns. So ~*olō'gical* a., ~*ol'ogist* n. [f. Gk *ptēris* -idos, a feathery fern (*pteron* wing) + -O- + -LOGY]

ptēr'o- (pt-, t-) in comb. = Gk *pteron* wing, as: ~*ōdac'tyl*, extinct winged reptile; ~*ōg'raphy*, description of feathers, so ~*ōgraph'ic(al)* aa.; ~*ōpod*, mollusc with middle part of foot expanded into pair of wing-like lobes; ~*ōsaur*, extinct flying saurian reptile.

ptē'ropus (pt-, t-), n. (pl. -pī). FLYING fox. [f. Gk *PTERO(pous foot) wing-footed*]

ptē'r'yoid (pt-, t-), a. ~ *process*, each of two processes descending from junction of body & great wing of sphenoid bone; connected with these. So **ptē'r'yō-** (pt-, t-) comb. form. [f. Gk *ptērugoeidēs* wing-like (*ptēruz* -ugos wing, -OID)]

ptisan (tī'zn, tīzān), n. Nourishing decoction, esp. barley-water. [f. F *tisane* f. L f. Gk *ptisanē* peeled barley (*ptisāō* peel)]

Ptōlēmā'ic (t-), a. Of Ptolemy, Alexandrine astronomer of 2nd c., esp. ~ *system* (of astronomy, in which earth was held to be the stationary centre round which sun and stars revolved, cf. COPERNICAN); of the Ptolemies, rulers of Egypt from death of Alexander the Great to Cleopatra. [f. Gk *Ptolemaios* + -IC]

ptomaine (tōm'ān, tomān'), n. Kinds of (often poisonous) alkaloid body in putrefying animal & vegetable matter, esp. ~ *poisoning*. [f. It. *ptomaina* f. Gk *ptōma* corpse (*ptipō* fall), -IN²]

ptōs'is (pt-, t-), n. Drooping of upper eye-

lid from paralysis of a muscle. [Gk *ptōsis* falling]

pub, n. (colloq.). Public house. [abbr.]
pub'erty, n. The state of being functionally capable of procreation; *age of* ~ (at which ~ begins; in England, legally, 14 in boys, 12 in girls). [f. L. *pubertas* (puber of the age of ~, see *TY*)]

pubes'cence, n. Arrival at puberty; soft down on leaves & stems of plants, downiness; soft down on parts of animals esp. insects. So **~ENT** a. [F, f. L. *pubescere* become hairy, reach puberty (*pubes* groin, private parts, hair on these), see **-ENCE**]

pub'lic, a. & n. 1. Of, concerning, the people as a whole, as ~ *offence*, *holiday*, (Parl.) ~ *act*, *bill*; ~ *utility*, a supply or undertaking usu. available in large towns, e.g. water, gas, electricity, etc. 2. Done by or for, representing, the people, as ~ *prosecution*, *prosecutor*, *assembly*. 3. || (Univ.) of, for, acting for, the university, as ~ *orator*, *lecture*, *examination*. 4. Open to, shared by, the people, as ~ *baths*, *library*, *road*. 5. || ~ *house*, inn, tavern, providing food & lodging, esp. alcoholic liquors to be consumed on premises; ~ *education* (at school, also, at ~ school); ~ *school*, one under ~ management, || esp. endowed grammar (usu. boarding-) school preparing pupils chiefly for universities or ~ services, often maintaining discipline with help of pupils. 6. Open to general observation, done or existing in ~, as *made a ~ protest*, *gave it ~ utterance*, whence ~ *LY* adv. 7. Of, engaged in, the affairs or service of the people, as ~ *life*, a ~ *man*, *notary*; ~ *spirit*, patriotism, so ~ *spirited* a., ~ *spiritedly* adv., ~ *spiritedness* n. 8. Of the nations, international, as *proscribed Napoleon as a ~ enemy*. 9. n. The (members of the) community in general, as *the ~ is the best judge*, *are the best judges*, *the British, American, ~*; section of the community, as *the reading ~*, *the most glibble of ~s*; || ~ *house* (colloq.); in ~, openly, ~ly. [F, f. L. *publicus*, earlier *poplicus* (*populus* people, earlier *poplus*, see -IO)]

pub'lican, n. (Rom. Hist., & in N.T.) tax-farmer, tax-gatherer; || keeper of public house. [f. F *publicain* f. L. *publicanus* (as prec., see -AN)]

publi'cation, n. Making publicly known; issuing of book, engraving, music, etc., to the public; book etc. so issued. [f. L. *publicatio* (as *PUBLISH*, see -ATION)]

pub'licist, n. Writer on, person skilled in, international law; writer on current public topics, esp. journalist. So ~ *ISM* n., ~ *is'tic* a., ~ *ize* v.t. [f. F *publiciste* (PUBLIC, -IST)]

publi'city, n. Openness to general observation, notoriety, (*avoid*, *court*, ~; *give ~ to*); the business of advertising

(both goods and persons); ~ *agent*, person employed to keep the name of an actor etc. constantly before the public. [f. F *publicité*, see PUBLIC, -ITY]

pub'lish, v.t. Make generally known, noise abroad; announce formally, promulgate (edict etc.); ask, read, (banns of marriage); (of author, editor, or publisher) issue copies of (book, engraving, etc.) for sale to the public. Hence ~ *ABLE* a. [f. OF *puplier* f. L. *publicare* (as PUBLIC), altered on -ISH¹]

pub'lisher, n. In vbl senses, esp. one who produces copies of book etc. & distributes them to booksellers or to the public. [-ER¹]

puccoon', n. N.-Amer. plant yielding red or yellow dye. [native]

pūce, a. Flea-colour, purple-brown. [F, =flea (-colour), f. L. *pulicem* (nom. -ex)]

pūck', n. (P-) the goblin *Robin Goodfellow* or *Hobgoblin*; any mischievous sprite or (fig.) child. Hence ~ *ISH*¹, ~ *LIKE*, aa. [OE *pūca*, cf. ON *puki*, W *puca*, Ir. *pūca*]

pūck', n. (Disease in cattle attributed to) nightjar, goatsucker. [?]

pūck', n. Rubber disk used for hockey on ice. [?]

pūck'a, **pūck'a**, a. (Anglo-Ind.). Of full weight; genuine; permanent, solidly built. [Hind. (*pakkā*), =cooked, ripe]

pūck'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Contract, gather, (t. & l. of brow, seam, material, often *up*) into wrinkles, folds, or bulges, intentionally or as fault e.g. in sewing. 2. n. Such bulge etc. Hence ~ *Y*¹ a. [prob. cogn. w. *POKE*¹, -ER¹]

pūd, n. (nursery). Child's hand; fore-foot of some animals. [?]

pu'dding (pō-), n. Soft or stiffish mixture of animal or vegetable ingredients, esp. mixed or enclosed in flour or other farinaceous food, cooked by boiling, steaming, or baking (*batter*, *beefsteak*, *bread-&-butter*, *currant*, *HASTY*, *lemon*, *MILK*¹, *PLUM*, *suet*, *YORKSHIRE*, ~); intestine of pig etc. stuffed with oatmeal, blood, etc. (BLACK, *hog's*, *white*, ~); *more praise than ~* (material reward); the *PROOF*¹ of the ~ etc.; thing of ~-like appearance etc.; (sl.) drugged liver etc. given by burglars etc. to dogs; (Naut., also *pu'ddening*) pad, tow binding, to prevent chafing etc.; ~-*cloth*, cloth in which some ~s are tied up for boiling; ~ *face*, large fat face; ~-*head*, dolt; ~-*heart*, coward; || ~ *pie*, forms of pastry; ~-*stone*, composite rock of rounded pebbles in silicious matrix. Hence ~ *Y*¹ a. [ME *poding*, prob. conn. w. F *boudin*, etym. dub.]

pūd'dle, n. Small dirty pool esp. of rain on road etc.; (colloq.) muddle, mess; clay (& sand) mixed with water as watertight covering for embankments etc. Hence **pūdd'ly**¹ a. [ME *podel*, *puddel*, prob. dim. of OE *pudd* ditch, cf. G dial. *pfudel*]

pūd'dle², v.i. & t. Dabble, wallow, (often about) in mud or shallow water; busy oneself in untidy way; make (water, also fig.) muddy; knead (clay & sand) into, make, line (canal etc.) with. **PUDDL¹**; stir about (molten iron) to produce wrought iron by expelling carbon. Hence **pūdd'le¹** (1, 2) n. [f. prec., & cf. Du. *puddelen*, G *puddeln*, butteln, dabble]

pūd'ency, n. Modesty. [f. LL *pucentia* (as foll., see -ENCY)]

pūdē'dum, n. (usu. in pl. -da). Privy parts. Hence or cogn. **pūdē'dal**, **pūd'ic**, aa. [L (*puēre* be ashamed, -ND¹)]

pudge, n. (colloq.). Short thick or fat person, animal, or thing. Hence **pūdg'y²** a. [etym. dub., cf. *pudding*]

pūd'sy¹ (-z-), a. Plump. [cf. prec. & **PUD**]

puē'blō (pwē-), n. (pl. -s). Spanish (-Amer.) town or village, esp. settlement of Indians. [Sp.]

pū'erile, a. Boyish, childish; trivial, whence or cogn. **pū'eril'ity** n.; ~ *breathing* (with loud pulmonary murmur as in children, usu. sign of disease in adult). [f. L *puerilis* (puer boy see -ILE)]

pūēp'eral, a. Of, due to, childbirth. [f. L *puerperus* (puer child + -parus bearing) + -AL]

pūff¹, n. 1. Short quick blast of breath or wind; sound (as) of this; small quantity of vapour, smoke, etc., emitted at one ~. 2. Round soft protuberant mass of material in dress, of hair of head, etc. 3. (Also *pudder*~) small pad of down or the like for applying powder to skin. 4. Piece, cake, etc., of light pastry esp. of ~ paste. 5. Unduly or extravagantly laudatory review of book, advertisement of tradesman's goods etc., esp. in newspaper. 6. ~ *adder*, large venomous African viper inflating upper part of body when excited; ~ *ball*, fungus with ball-shaped spore-case; ~ *box* (containing powder & ~); ~ *paste*, light flaky paste; || ~ (nursery), steam-engine, train. [ME *puff*, imit.]

pūff², v.i. & t. 1. Emit puff of air or breath; (of air etc.) come out, up, in puffs; breathe hard, pant, esp. ~ & blow; put out of breath, as *was rather ~ed*; ~ out, utter pantingly; (of steam-engine, person smoking, etc.) emit puffs, move with puffs, as ~ed away at his cigar, ~ed out of the terminus. 2. Blow (dust, smoke, light object, out, up, away, etc.) with puff; smoke (pipe) in puffs. 3. Blow out, up, inflate; become inflated, swell up, out; ~ up, elate, make proud. (esp. in p.p., with pride etc.). 4. Advertise (goods) with exaggerated or false praise; || bid at auction to raise price. Hence ~ **ER¹** n. [ME *puffen*, imit.]

pūff'er'y, n. Advertisement, puffing; puffing, puffs. [-ERY]

pūff'in, n. N.-Atlantic sea-bird with large furrowed particoloured bill. [f]

pūff'y, a. Gusty; short-winded; puffed out; corpulent. Hence ~ **INESS** n. [-Y²]

pūg¹, n. 1. (Also ~ *dog*) dwarf squat-faced breed of dog like bulldog, whence ~ **g'le¹** ~ **g'y²**, aa., (-g-); ~ *nose* (d), (with) short squat or snub nose. 2. || (Among servants) upper servant in large establishment. 3. (Quasi-proper name for) fox. 4. || Small locomotive for shunting etc. [f]

pūg², n., & v.t. (-gg-). Loam or clay mixed & prepared for brickmaking etc.; (v.t.) prepare (clay) thus, pack (space) under floor, to deaden sound) with ~, sawdust, etc.; ~ *mill* (for preparing ~). Hence ~ **g'ine¹** (3) (-g- n). [f]

pūg³, n., & v.t. (Anglo-Ind.). Footprint of beast; (v.t.; -gg-) track by ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. Hind. *pag*]

pūg⁴, n. (sl.). Pugilist. [abbr.]

pūgg'(a)ree (-ri), n. Indian's light turban; thin scarf of muslin etc. worn round hat & sometimes falling down behind to keep off sun. Hence **pūgg'(a)reze²** (-rid) a. [f. Hind. *pagri* turban]

pū'gil'ist, n. Boxer, fighter; (fig.) vigorous controversialist. So ~ **ISM** n., ~ **IS'TIC** a., ~ **IS'TICALLY** adv. [f. L *pugil* boxer (*pugnus* fist) + -IST]

pūgnā'cious (-shus), a. Disposed to fight, quarrelsome. Hence or cogn. ~ **LY²** adv., **pūgnā'cry** n. [f. L *pugnax* (*pugnare* fight, see -ACIOUS)]

puisse (pūn'), a. & n. ~ (judge), judge of superior court inferior in rank to chief justice; (Law) later, subsequent (to), as ~ *mortgagees*, *mortgagees ~ to the plaintiff*. [Of (*puis* after f. L *postea* + né born f. L *natus*)]

pū'issant (or **pūls¹** or **pwls²**), a. (arch.). Having great power or influence, mighty. Hence or cogn. ~ **ANCE** n., ~ **ANTLY²** adv. [F. f. Rom. ⁴ *possentem* part. of L *posse* be able]

pu'ja (pōō-), **pōō'ja**, n. Hindu religious rites (generally); (Anglo-Ind. sl., usu. pl.) prayers. [Hind. f. Skr. *pūjā*]

pūke, v.i. & t., & n. Vomit. [f]

pukka(h), = **PUCKA**.

pūle, v.i. Cry querulously or weakly, whine. Hence **pūl'ingly²** adv. [imit., cf. F. *pleurer*]

pūll¹ (pōōl), v.t. & i. 1. Exert upon (thing) force tending to draw it to oneself, as *don't ~ my hair*, ~ *his ears or him by the ear* (as chastisement), ~ *his nose or him by the nose* (as insult), ~ *his sleeve or him by the sleeve* (to gain attention), ~ *the* (bell-rope or handle to ring the bell), ~ *person's leg*, ~ (= draw) the *long¹-bow*, ~ *the strings, wires*. 2. Draw (thing etc.) towards oneself or in direction so regarded, as ~ *it nearer*, ~ *him into the room*, ~ *your cap over your ears*, ~ *off one's hat* (as salutation), ~ *on one's stockings*. 3. Attract or secure (support, custom). 4. ~ (thing) to *pieces*, separate its parts

forcibly, (fig.) criticize (person, thing) unfavourably. 5. Exert ~ing force, as horse ~s well, ~ed (away) at the handle; exert influence in favour of person. 6. Proceed with effort (up hill etc.); (of horse) strain, esp. habitually, against bit; ~ devil, ~ BAKER. 7. Draw, suck, at (pipe, tankard). 8. Pluck (plant, often up) by root. 9. ~ed, reduced in health or spirits; ~ed bread, pieces from inside of new loaf, rebaked till crisp. 10. ~ caps, wigs, scuffle, quarrel. 11. Tear, pluck, at (thing). 12. Print upon (sheet), print (copy, proof), orig. in old hand-press by ~ing bar towards one. 13. Move boat, move (boat), by ~ing oar; (of boat) be rowed, be rowed by (so many oars), as she ~ed inshore, ~s 6 oars; ~ (row with effect in proportion to) one's weight. 14. (sl.). Arrest; make ruid on (gambling-house etc.). 15. Check (horse) esp. so as to make him lose race; ~ one's punches (Boxing), fail to give full force to one's blows, also fig. 16. (Crick.) strike (ball, or abs.), strike ball bowled by (bowler), from off to leg; (Golf) drive (ball, or abs.) widely to left (of right-handed player). 17. ~ a FACE!; ~ a sanctimonious etc. face, assume such expression. 18. ~ about, ~ from side to side, treat roughly; ~ down, demolish (building etc.), lower in health, spirits, price, etc.; ~ in, (of train) enter station; ~ off, win (prize, contest); ~ out, row out, (of train) move out of station; ~ out of the fire, save (game etc.) when the case seems hopeless; ~ over n., sweater put on over head; ~ through adv. & prep., get (person), get oneself, safely through (danger, illness, etc., or abs.); ~ through n., cord with which cleaning-rag is drawn through rifle; ~ oneself together, rally, recover oneself; ~ together, work in harmony; ~ up, cause (person, horse, vehicle) to stop, reprimand, check oneself, advance one's relative position in race etc.; ~ up n., house of call for travellers. 19. ~back, retarding influence, check, contrivance for ~ing fullness of woman's skirt to back. [OE *pullian*, etym. dub.]

pull² (póol), n. 1. Act of pulling, wrench, tug; force thus exerted; (fig.) means of exerting influence, interest with the powerful. 2. (Print.) rough proof. 3. Pulling at bridle to check horse esp. in racing. 4. Spell of rowing. 5. (Crick., Golf) pulling stroke. 6. || (In public house) supply of beer etc. exceeding that asked for. 7. Have the ~ (advantage) of (person). 8. Deep draught of liquor. 9. Handle etc. by which ~ is applied, as BEER¹, BELL¹, ~. [f. prec.]

puller (póó-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: kinds of instrument or machine for pulling; horse that pulls esp. against bit. [-ER¹]

pullét (póó-), n. Young fowl, esp. hen

from time she begins to lay till first moult. [f. F *poulet* dim. of *poule* f. LL *pulla* fem. of L *pullus* young animal, cogn. w. FOAL]

pulléy (póó-), n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. 1. Grooved wheel(s) for cord etc. to pass over, mounted in block & used for changing direction of power, one of the simple mechanical powers; wheel, drum, fixed on shaft & turned by belt, used esp. to increase speed or power. 2. v.t. Hoist, furnish, work, with ~. [ME & OF *polie* ult. f. Gk [†]*polidion* pivot dim. of *polos* POLE²]

pull'icate, n. (Material for) coloured handkerchief, orig. one made at Pulicat on Madras coast.

Pu'llman (póó-), a. & n. ~ (car), railway saloon carriage usu. arranged for use as sleeping-car. [G. M. ~, designer]

pull'ul'ate, v.i. (Of shoot, bud) sprout out, bud; (of seed) sprout; (fig., of doctrines etc.) develop, spring up. Hence ~ANT a., ~A'TION n. [f. L *pullulare* sprout (*pullulus* dim. of *pullus* chick), see -ATE²]

|| **pu'lly-haul'y** (póó-), a. & n. (colloq.). (Of) pulling & hauling. So **pu'lly-haul** (póó-) v.t. & i. [-Y²]

pulm[o-] in comb. = L *pulmo* -monis lung, as: ~obrunch'tate, with gills modified for air-breathing; ~óm'eter, instrument measuring capacity of lungs, so ~óm'etry.

pul'monary, a. Of, in, connected with, the lungs, as ~ artery, main artery conveying blood from heart to lungs, ~ disease; having lungs or lung-like organs, so **pul'monate**² a.; affected with, subject to, lung-disease. So **pulmón'ic** a. [f. L *pulmonarius* (*pulmo* -monis lung, see -ARY¹)]

pulp, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Fleishy part of fruit; any fleshy or soft part of animal body, e.g. nervous substance in interior cavity of tooth; soft formless mass, esp. that of rags, wood, etc., from which paper is made; ore pulverized & mixed with water. 2. vb. Reduce to ~, remove ~ from (coffee-beans), whence ~ER² (2) n.; become ~y. Hence or cogn. ~IFY v.t., ~INESS n., ~LESS, ~OUS, ~Y², aa. [f. L *pulpa*]

pu'lpit (póó-), n. Raised enclosed platform usu. with desk & seat from which preacher in church or chapel delivers sermon; the profession of preaching; preachers; (in title of book) collected sermons; (attrib.) ~ eloquence, orator, style. [f. L *pulpitum* scaffold, platform]

pulpit'eer' (póó-), n., & v.i. Professional preacher (usu. derog.), so ~AR'IAN a. & n.; (v.i.) preach, whence ~eer'ng² n. [-EEER]

pulque (póó'l'kó), n. Mexican fermented drink from sap of agave etc.; ~ brandy, intoxicant made from ~. [Sp.-Amer.]

pulsate (or púl'), v.t. & i. Expand & contract rhythmically, beat, throb (lit.

& fig.); vibrate, quiver, thrill; agitate (diamonds) with machine (*pūsāt'or* n.) to separate them from earth in which they are found. Hence or cogn. *pūsāt'ION* n., *pūsāt'ory* a. [f. *L pulsare* push, beat, frequent. of *pellere puls-* drive, see -ATE¹]

pūs'attle, a. Of, having the property of, pulsation; (of musical instrument) played by percussion. [as prec. + -LE]

pūs'atill'a, n. The pasque-flower, its extract used in pharmacy. [med. L, dim. of *pulsata* fem. p.p. of *pulso* beat (as quivering in wind)]

pulse¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Rhythmical throbbing of arteries as blood is propelled along them esp. as felt in wrists, temples, etc.; feel person's ~ (as indicating by its rate & character his state of health, fig., sound his intentions etc.); each successive beat of arteries or heart; (fig.) throb, thrill, of life or emotion; rhythmical recurrence of strokes e.g. of oars; (Mus.) beat; single beat or vibration of sound, light, etc. 2. v.i. Pulsate (lit. & fig.); (v.t.) send out, in, etc., by rhythmic beats. Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSNESS n. [(n.) ME & OF *pous* f. *L pulsus* -us f. *pellere puls-* drive; vb as *PULSATE*]

pulse², n. (Collective sing., sometimes with pl. vb) edible seeds of leguminous plants e.g. peas, beans, lentils; (with pl.) any kind of these. [f. OF *pols* f. *L puls* -itis pottage of meal etc.]

pūs'im'eter, n. Instrument for measuring rate or force of pulse. [f. *PULSE*¹ + - + -METER]

pūs'om'eter, n. Steam-condensing vacuum pump, so called from pulsatory action of the steam. [P; prec., -o-]

pū'tā'ceous (-hus), a. Of (the nature of) pap or a poulitice, soft, pulpy. [as *PULSE*², see -ACEOUS]

pūl'veriz'e, v.t. & i. Reduce to powder or dust, divide (liquid) into spray, whence ~ATOR²(2), ~ER¹(2), nn.; (fig.) demolish, crush, smash; (intr.) crumble to dust. Hence ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [f. LL *pulverizare* (*pulvis* -eris dust, see -IZE)]

pūlv'erule (-rōb-), a. Powdery, of dust; covered with powder; (of rock etc.) of slight cohesion, apt to crumble. [f. *L pulverulentus* (*pulvis* -eris dust, see -LENT)]

pūl'vinate, -ātéd, aa. (Archit., -ed) swelling, esp. (of frieze) with convex face; (Bot., Entom.) cushion-like, having cushion-like swelling. [f. *L pulvinatus* (*pulvinus* cushion), see -ATE²]

pūm'a, n. = COUGAR. [Sp. f. Peruv.]

pūm'ice (-stōne), n., & v.t. (Piece of) light spongy kind of lava used for removing stains from hands etc., polishing, etc.; (v.t.) rub, clean, with ~; ~ hoof of horse, made spongy by disease. So **pūm'ic'ous** a. [ME & OF *pomis* f. LL *pūmice*, L *pūm-* (nom. -mex)]

pūmm'el, v.t. (-ll-). Strike repeatedly esp. with fist. [altered f. *POMMEL*]

pūm(m)'elō. Var. of *POMMEL*.

pūmp¹, n. 1. Machine, usu. cylinder in which piston etc. is moved up & down by rod, for raising water; kinds of machine for raising or moving liquids, compressing or rarefying gases, etc. (fig. of heart, insect's suckers, etc.); AIR¹, FORCE¹, STOMACH, ~; bicycle~ (for inflating tires); pumping, stroke of ~; attempt, person skilful, at pumping others. 2. ~brake, handle of ship's ~ esp. with transverse bar for several persons to work at; ~handle v.t. (colloq.), shake (person's hand) effusively; ~room, building where ~ is worked esp. at spa where medicinal water is dispensed. [ME *pumpe*, cf. Du. *pomp*, etym. dub.]

pūmp², v.i. & t. Work a pump; remove, raise, (water etc., usu. out, up) thus; make (ship, well, etc.) dry by ~ing; ~ up, inflate (pneumatic tire), inflate tires of (bicycle etc.); bring out, pour forth, (abuse etc. upon) as by ~ing; elicit information from (person), elicit (information, usu. out of person), by artful or persistent questions; (of exertion) put completely out of breath (esp. pass.); (of mercury in barometer) rise & fall instantaneously; ~ship (not in polite use), (v.i.) make water, (n.) urination. Hence ~ER¹ n. (esp., rail TROLLEY). [f. prec.]

pūmp³, n. Kind of light shoe now usu. of patent leather & without fastening, worn with evening dress & for dancing. [?]

pū'mpernickel (pō-), n. German whole-meal rye bread. [G, etym. dub.]

pūmp'kin, n. (Cucurbitaceous plant bearing) large egg-shaped or globular fruit with edible layer next to rind, used in cookery & for cattle. [f. earlier *pumpion*, *po-*, f. obs. F *po(m)pon* f. *L pepo* f. Gk *pepōn* large melon + -KIN]

pūn¹, n. & v.i. (-nn-). 1. Humorous use of word to suggest different meanings, or of words of same sound with different meanings, play on words. 2. v.i. Make ~s (upon word, subject). Hence ~n'ing-ly² adv. [?]

|| **pūn**², v.t. (-nn-). Consolidate (earth, rubble) by pounding or ramming; work up to proper consistency with PUNTER. [dial. = POUND³]

pū'na (pō-), n. High bleak plateau in Peruvian Andes; difficulty in breathing caused by rarefied atmosphere. [Peruv., in first sense]

pūnch¹, n. Instrument or machine for cutting holes in leather, metal, paper, etc., driving bolt etc. out of hole (*staring*~), enlarging hole, forcing nail beneath surface (*driving*~), etc.; tool or machine for impressing design or stamping die on material; bell~, conductor's ticket~ with bell to announce punching of ticket. [prob. var. of *POUNCH*¹, but of. *PUNCHION*¹]

pūnch¹, v.t., & n. 1. Strike esp. with closed fist, as ~ *his head*; ~ing-ball, inflated ball held by elastic bands etc. & used as form of exercise; prod with stick etc., esp. *drive (cattle) thus; pierce (metal, leather, bus-ticket, etc.) as or with punch; pierce (hole) thus; drive (nail etc. *in, out*) with punch. 2. n. Blow with fist (*a ~ on the head*; PULL¹ one's ~es; ~drunk, dazed through being severely ~ed, also transf.); (sl.) vigour, momentum, effective force. Hence ~ER¹(1, 2) n. [(n. f. vb) as prec.]

pūnch², n. Drink usu. of wine or spirits mixed with hot water or milk, sugar, lemons, spice, etc., as *brandy, rum, milk, ~*; bowl of ~; party at which ~ is drunk; ~bowl, bowl in which ~ is mixed, round deep hollow in hill(s). [perh. f. Hind. *panch* five, from number of ingredients; or abbr. of PUNCHON²]

pūnch³, n. 1. || (Suffolk) ~, short-legged thick-set draught horse; || (dial.) short fat man or thing. 2. (P~) grotesque hump-backed figure in puppet-show called P~ & Judy, esp. as title of a London weekly comic paper; as *pleased, as proud, as P~* (much, very). [perh. different wds; in last sense abbr. of PUNCHINELLO]

pūn'cheon¹ (-shn), n. Short post esp. one supporting roof in coal-mine; (now rare) = PUNCH¹. [f. OF *poignon* f. LL⁺ *punctio-nem* (puncta point f. *pungere* punct- prick, see -ION)]

pūn'cheon² (-shn), n. (hist.). Large cask for liquids etc. holding from 72 to 120 gals. [identical in form w. prec. in E & OF]

Pūnchinēll'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Chief character in Italian puppet-show; short stout person. [f. It. *Pulcinella*]

pūnc'tiāte, a. (nat. hist., path.). Marked or studded with points, dots, or spots. So ~ATION n. [f. L as POINT¹, see -ATE²(2)]

pūnc'til'io (-lyō), n. (pl. ~s). Nice point of ceremony or honour; petty formality. [f. It. *puntiglio* dim. of *punto* POINT¹, cf. F *pointille*]

pūnc'til'ious (-lyus), a. Attentive to punctilios. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. F *pointilleux* (as prec., -OUS)]

pūnc'tual, a. Observant of appointed time; in good time, not late; (arch.) punctilious; (Geom.) of a point. Hence ~ITY (-āl²) n., ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *punctualis* (punctus -ūs POINT¹ see -AL)]

pūnc'tuāt'e, v.t. Insert stops in (writing), mark or divide with stops; (fig.) interrupt (speech) with exclamations etc.; (improp.) emphasize, accentuate, as *flung it on the ground to ~ his refusal*. Hence or cogn. ~IVE a., ~OR² n. [f. med. L *punctuare* (as prec.), see -ATE³]

pūnc'tuā'tion, n. Insertion of vowel & other points in Hebrew etc.; practice, art, of punctuating. [f. med. L *punctuatio* (prec., -ATION)]

pūnc'tum, n. (pl. ~a). Speck, dot, spot

of colour or elevation or depression on surface. So ~ULE n., whence ~ULARE²(2) a., ~ULATION n. [L, = POINT¹]

pūnc'ture, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Pricking, prick, esp. accidental pricking of pneumatic tire; hole thus made. 2. v.t. Prick, pierce; (v.i. of tire, bicycle etc., rider etc.), experience a ~. [(vb f. n.) f. L *punctura* (as POINT¹, -URE)]

pūn'dit, n. Hindu learned in Sanskrit & in philosophy, religion, & jurisprudence, of India; (joc.) learned teacher. [f. Hind. *paṇḍit*]

pūn'gent (-j-), a. (Nat. Hist.) sharp-pointed; (of reproof, satire, etc.) biting, caustic; mentally stimulating, piquant; affecting organs of smell or taste, or skin etc., with pricking sensation, as ~ *gas, smoke, sauce*. Hence pūn'GENCY n., ~LY² adv., (-j-). [f. L *pungere* prick, -ENT]

Pūn'ic, a. & n. Carthaginian; ~ Wars (between Rome & Carthage); ~ FAITH; (n.) ~ language. [f. L *Punicus*, *Poen-*, (*Poenus* f. Gk *Phoinix* Phoenician, see -IC)]

pūn'ish, v.t. 1. Cause (offender) to suffer for offence; chastise; inflict penalty on (offender); inflict penalty for (offence). 2. (colloq.). Inflict severe blows on (opponent in boxing); (of race, competitor) tax severely the powers of (competitor); take full advantage of (weak bowler, bowler, stroke at tennis); make heavy inroad on (food etc.); whence ~ING² a. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ER¹, ~MENT, nn., ~ABLE a., ~ABLY² adv. [f. F *punir* (-ISH²) f. L *punire* (*poena* = Gk *poînē* fine)]

pūn'itive, a. Inflicting punishment, retributive, as ~ *justice, expedition*; ~ *police* (India), detachment of police sent to a particular district and paid for by the inhabitants as punishment for lawlessness. So pūn'ITORY a. [f. med. L *punitivus* (as prec., see -IVE)]

|| **pūnk**¹, n. (arch.). Prostitute. [?]

***pūnk**², n. & a. 1. Rotten wood, fungus growing on wood, used as tinder; worthless stuff, rubbish, tosh. 2. adj. (sl.). Worthless, rotten. [?]

pūnk'a(h) (-ka), n. (E-Ind.). Portable fan usu. of leaf of palmyra; large swinging cloth fan on frame worked by cord. [f. Hind. *pankha*]

|| **pūnn'er**, n. Tool for ramming earth about post etc. [f. PUN² + -ER¹]

pūnn'et, n. Small round chip basket for fruit or vegetables. [?]

pūn'ster, n. Inveterate maker of puns. [-STER]

|| **pūnt**¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Flat-bottomed shallow boat, broad & square at both ends, propelled by long pole thrust against bottom of river etc. 2. vb. Propel with or use ~pole; convey in a ~. Hence pūn'ter¹ [-ER¹], pūn'tist, nn. [(vb f. n.) OE, f. L *ponto*, kind of Gallic transport]

pūnt², v.t., & n. 1. Kick (football) after it

has dropped from the hands & before it reaches ground. 2. n. Such kick: ~ about, kicking about of football for practice, ball so used. [F]

pünt¹, v.i., & n. 1. (At faro & other card-games) lay stake against bank; (colloq.) bet on horse etc. 2. n. Player who ~s; point in faro. Hence **pün'ter**² [-ER¹] n. [f. F *ponte(r)*, etym. dub.]

pün'ty, **pō**, n. Iron rod used in glass-blowing. [prob. f. F *pontil* prob. f. It. *pontello* dim. of *punto* POINT¹]

pün'y, a. Undersized; weak, feeble; petty. Hence ~NESS n. [=PUISNE]

püp, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Young dog; in ~, pregnant; concealed etc. ~ (boy, young man): sell person a ~, swindle him esp. by selling thing on prospective value. 2. vb. Bring forth ~s; give birth to. [shortened f. PUPPY]

püp'a, n. (pl. ~ne). Chrysalis. Hence ~AL a. [L, =girl, doll]

püp'äte, v.i. Become a pupa. Hence ~ATION n. [-ATE¹]

püp'il, n. 1. One who is taught by another, scholar; (Law) person below age of puberty & under care of guardian; ~teacher, boy, girl, teaching in elementary school under head teacher & concurrently receiving general education from him or elsewhere. 2. (Crenel) opening in centre of iris of eye regulating passage of light to the retina. So ~(DAR¹), ~(DARY¹), aa. [f. F *pupille* f. L *pupillus*, -la, ward, minor, (-la) ~ of eye]

püp'il(l)age, n. Nonage, minority (fig. of country, language, etc.). so ~Ä² rry n. (Law); being a pupil. So **püp'il-ship** n. [-AGE]

püp'ik(l)ize, v.t. & i. Take pupils; coach (pupil). [-IZE]

püpip'arous, a. (entom.). Bringing forth young already advanced to pupal state. [f. PUPA + L -parus -bearing]

püp'ët, n. Figure, non. small, representing human being, esp. one with jointed limbs moved by wires etc. in ~show; person whose acts are controlled by another; ~play, ~show (with ~s as characters); ~clock, ~valve, disk valve opened by lifting bodily from its seat, not hinged. Hence ~RY(4.5) n. [ME *popet(te)* = F *poupette* doll dim. f. PUPA]

püpp'y, n. Young dog (also, childish, ~dog); vain empty-headed young man, coxcomb, whence ~ISM n. Hence ~DOM, ~HOOD, nn., ~ISM¹ a. [prob. = F *poupée* doll, irreg. f. PUPA]

pur-, pref. AF form of OF *pur*-, *pur*-, f. L *por*-, PRO-¹ (*purchase*, *purport*, *pursue*).

pura'na (poorah-), n. Any of a class of Sanskrit sacred poems. Hence **pura'nic** (poorah-) a. [f. Skr. *purand* of former times (*pura* formerly)]

Pür'ck, a. ~stone, hard limestone from ~ in Dorset; ~marble, finer qualities of this.

pürb'lind, a., & v.t. Partly blind, dim-sighted; (fig.) obtuse, dull; (v.t.) make ~. Hence ~NESS n. [earlier *pur(e) blind*; *pur*- perh. = PURE in sense 'quite' or =PUR- intensive, with changed sense]

pürch'ase¹, n. 1. Buying: ~money, price (to be) paid; (Hist.) practice of buying commissions in army; thing bought: annual return from land, as sold at 20 years' ~; (fig.) life is not worth an hour's ~, cannot be trusted to last an hour; (Law) acquisition of property by one's personal action, not by inheritance. 2. Mechanical advantage, leverage, (often fig.): appliance for gaining this, esp. (Naut.) rope, windlass, pulley (single, double, treble, ~ pulley, with 1, 2, 3, sheaves). [ME, f. OF *porchas*, *pur*-, as foll.]

pürch'ase², v.t. 1. Buy: acquire (victory, freedom, etc., with one's blood, toll, etc.). 2. (Naut.) haul up (anchor etc.) by means of pulley, lever, etc. So ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [ME, f. AF *pur(chacer CHASE¹)* procure, bring about]

pür'ah (-da), n. (E.-Ind.). Curtain, esp. one serving to screen women from sight of strangers; (fig.) Indian system of secluding women of rank: striped material for curtains. [f. Hind. & Pers. *pardah*]

püre, a. 1. Unmixed, unadulterated, as ~white, air, alcohol, water; (of sounds) not discordant, esp. (Mus.) perfectly in tune. 2. Of unmixed descent, ~blooded; ~mathematics (not including practical applications, opp. to applied, mixed); (Gram.) of vowel preceded by another vowel, (of stem) ending in vowel, (of consonant) not accompanied by another. 3. Mere, simple, nothing but, sheer, as knowledge ~ & simple, ~nonsense, pre-judice. 4. Not corrupt, as his taste was severe & ~; morally undefiled, guiltless, sincere; sexually undefiled. Hence ~LY² (-ül-) adv. (rare exc. in senses exclusively, solely, entirely), ~NESS (-ütn-) n. [f. OF *pur*, fem. *pure*, f. L *purus*]

purée (pür'ä, & see Ap.), n. Soup of vegetables, meat, etc., boiled to pulp & passed through sieve. [F]

pür'fle, n., & v.t. (arch.). 1. Border, esp. embroidered edge of garment. 2. v.t. Adorn (robe) with ~; ornament (edge of building with crockets etc.); beautify. Hence **pür'fling**¹ n., (esp.) inlaid bordering on back & belly of fiddles. [f. OF *porfl(r)*, as PROFILE]

pürgä'tion, n. Purification; purging of bowels; spiritual cleansing, esp. (R.-C. Ch.) of soul in purgatory; (Hist.) clearing of oneself from accusation or suspicion by oath or ordeal. [f. OF *purgation* f. L *purgationem* (as PURGE, see -ATION)]

pürg'ative, a. & n. Aperient (medicine); serving to purify. [F (-if, -ive), f. LL *purgativus* (as PURGE, see -ATIVE)]

pürg'atory, n. & a. 1. Condition, place,

of spiritual purging, esp. (R.-C. Ch.) of souls departing this life in grace of God but requiring to be cleansed from venial sins etc.; place of temporary suffering or expiation. 2. adj. Purifying. So **purgator**¹ *ial* a. [f. LL *purgatorius* a. (mod. L *um* n.), as foll., see -ORY]

purge, v.t. & n. 1. Make physically or spiritually clean (of, from, impurities, sin, etc.); remove by cleansing process (lit. & fig., often *away, off, out*); (of medicine) relieve (bowels, or abs.) by evacuation; clear (person, oneself, of charge, suspicion); (Law) atone for, wipe out, (offence, sentence) by expiation & submission; rid (political party, army, etc.) of persons regarded as undesirable. 2. n. Such clearance, purgation, (*Pride's P*~, hist., exclusion by Col. Pride of Presbyterian & Royalist members from Long Parliament); aperient. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *purger* f. L *purgare*]

purifica'tion, n. Purifying; ritual cleansing, esp. that of woman after child-birth enjoined by Jewish law, as the *P*~ (of the *Virgin Mary*), Feb. 2nd (Luke II. 22). So **pur'ificatory** a. [f. L *purificatio* (as PURIFY, see -ATION)]

pur'ificator, n. (eccl.). Cloth used at communion for wiping chalice & paten & fingers & lips of celebrant. [as foll., see -OR¹]

pur'ify, v.t. Make pure, cleanse, (of, from, impurities, sin, etc.); make ceremonially clean; clear of foreign elements, whence ~IER¹(2) n. [f. F *purifier* f. LL *purificare* (as PURE, see -FY)]

Pur'im, n. Jewish festival commemorating defeat of Haman's plot (*Esth.* ix). [Heb., pl. of *pur*, perh. = lot]

pur'ist, n. Stickler for, affecter of, scrupulous purity esp. in language. So ~ISM n., ~IS'tic(AL) aa. [f. F *puriste* (PURE, -IST)]

pur'itan, n. & a. 1. (Hist.; *P*~) member of the party of English Protestants who regarded reformation of Church under Elizabeth as incomplete & sought to abolish unscriptural & corrupt ceremonies etc.; member of any non-religious purist party; person of or affecting extreme strictness in religion or morals. 2. adj. Of the *P*~s; scrupulous in religion or morals. Hence **puritan'ic(AL)** aa., **puritan'ically** adv., ~ISM n., ~ER(2, 3) v.i. & t. [f. foll. + -AN]

pur'ity, n. Pureness, cleanness, freedom from physical or moral pollution. [ME & OF *purité* f. LL *puritatem* (as PURE, see -TY)]

pur'l, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Cord of twisted gold or silver wire for bordering; chain of minute loops, each loop of this, ornamenting edges of lace, ribbon, etc.; (Knitt., also *pearl*) inversion of stitches, producing ribbed appearance. 2. vb. Border (material or abs.) with ~; invert (stitches or abs.); invert stitches of (stocking etc.). *lia* cord sense prob. = arch. & Sc. *pirl*

twist, etym. dub.; other senses perh. different wds]

pur'l¹, v.i., & n. 1. (Of brook etc.) flow with whirling motion & babbling sound. 2. n. Such motion or sound. [cf. Norw. *purla* bubble up, & perh. *pirl* (see prec.)]

pur'l², n. (hist.). Ale or beer with worm-wood infused; hot beer mixed with gin as morning draught, dog's-nose. [?]

pur'l³, v.t. & i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Turn (t. & i.) upside down, upset. 2. n. Cropper, heavy fall. [prob. var. of *pirl* (see PUR'L¹)]

pur'l'er, n. (colloq.). Throw, blow, that hurls one head foremost (*come, take, a*~, *fall headlong*). [prec. + -ER¹]

pur'lieu (-liu), n. Tract on border of forest esp. one earlier included in it & still partly subject to forest laws; one's bounds, limits; (pl.) outskirts, outlying region (lit. & fig.); squalid street or quarter of town. [prob. altered after LIEU f. *pur(a)ley* f. obs. & AF *pur(alé ALLEY)* perambulation to settle boundaries]

pur'lin, n. Horizontal beam running along length of roof, resting on principals & supporting common rafters or boards. [?]

purloin' (per-), v.t. Steal, pilfer. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. AF *pur(loigner* f. *loing* far f. L *longe*) put away, do away with]

pur'ple, n., a., & v.t. & i. 1. (Of) a colour mixed of red & blue in various proportions with some black or white or both; (anciently, also *Tyrian* ~) (of) the colour got from the molluscs *purpura* & *murex*, crimson; ~red etc., red etc. inclining to ~. 2. ~ robe, esp. as dress of emperor, king, consul, etc., as *born in the*~, or of cardinal, as *raised to the*~ (cardinalate). 3. pl. Swine fever; disease in wheat. 4. ~ emperor, a butterfly. 5. vb. Make, become, ~. Hence **purp'lish**¹, **purp'ly**², aa. [ME *purpel* f. OE *purpur(e)* f. PURPURA]

purpoint. See **POURPOINT**.

purp'ort¹, n. Meaning, sense, tenor, of document or speech; (rare) object, purpose. [AF, as foll.]

purp'ort² (per-), v.t. (Of document or speech) have as its meaning, convey, state, (fact, *that*); profess, be intended to seem (*to do*), as a *letter*~ing to be written by you, to contain your decision. [f. AF & OF *pur(porter* f. L *portare* carry) extend, embody]

purp'ose¹, n. Object, thing intended, as *could not effect my*~, *this will answer* (or *serve*) *our* (or *the*)~, *what was the*~ *of this law*?; fact, faculty, of resolving on something, as *honesty of*~, *is wanting in*~; *novel with a*~, ~*novel*, (written to defend some doctrine etc.); *on*~, *in order* (*to do, that*), (abs., also of *set*~) designedly, not by accident, whence, ~*LY*² (-al-) adv.; *to the*~, relevant, useful for one's ~; *to little, some, no, ~*, with such result

or effect. Hence ~FUL (-sf-), ~LESS (-sl-), aa., ~FULLY¹, ~LESSLY¹, adv., ~FULNESS, ~LESSNESS, nn. [f. AF & OF *purpos*, as foll.]

pūrp'ose², v.t. Design, intend, as I ~ (arranging or to arrange) an interview; ~ that an interview shall be arranged; (arch.) am ~d, intend (to do, doing, that). [f. OF *purposer* PROPOSE]

pūrp'osive, a. Having, serving, done with, a purpose; (of person or conduct) having purpose & resolution. [-IVE]

pūrp'ūra, n. Disease marked by purple or livid spots on skin; genus of molluscs including some from which purple dye was derived. [L, f. Gk *porphura* (shell-fish yielding) purple]

purpūr'ic (per-), a. Of purpura, as ~ fever; ~ acid, an acid the salts of which are purple. [-IC]

pūrp'ūrin, n. Red colouring-matter orig. got from madder. [f. PURPURA + -IN]

pūrr, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of cat or other feline animal, fig. of person) make low continuous vibratory sound expressing pleasure; utter, express, (words, contentment) thus. 2. n. Such sound. [imit.]

pū'rree, n. Yellow colouring-matter from India & China. [f. Hind. *peori*]

purr sang (see Ap.), adv. (appended to classifying n. or adj.). Of the full blood, without admixture, through & through, genuine, (is Welsh or a Welshman, militarist, a cynic, ~; the artist ~ is a rarity). [F]

pūrse¹, n. 1. Small pouch of leather etc. for carrying money on the person, orig. closed by drawing strings together; (fig.) money, funds, as a common ~ (fund), heavy or long ~, wealth, light ~, poverty, the public ~, national treasury; || PRIVY ~; sum collected, subscribed, or given, as present or as prize for contest, as will any gentleman give or put up a ~?; (in Turk. empire) ~ of silver, gold, 500 piastres, 10,000 piastres; bag-like natural or other receptacle, pouch, cyst, etc. 2. ~bearer, one who has charge of another's or a company's money, || official carrying Great Seal before Lord Chancellor in ~; ~net, bag-shaped net for catching rabbits etc., mouth of which can be closed with cords; ~proud, puffed up by wealth; ~seine, ~net for fishing; ~strings, strings for closing mouth of ~, (hold the ~strings, have control of expenditure; tighten, loosen, the ~strings, be sparing, generous, of money). Hence ~FUL (-sf-) n., ~LESS (-sl-) a. [OE *purse* prob. f. LL *bursa* purse f. Gk *bursa* hide] **pūrse²**, v.t. & i. Contract (lips, brow, often up) in wrinkles; become wrinkled; (nose) put (often up) into one's purse. [f. *prose*.]

pūrr'er, n. Officer on ship who keeps accounts esp. in passenger vessel. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. PURSE¹ + -ER¹]

pūrr'lane (-ln), n. Low succulent herb used in salads & pickled. [f. OF *porcelaine* altered f. L *porcellana*, *portulaca*, on PORCELAIN]

pursu'ance (per-), n. Carrying out, pursuing, (of plan, object, idea, etc.), esp. in ~ of. [as foll., see -ANCE]

pursu'ant (per-), a. & adv. Pursuing; (adv.) conformably to (the Act etc.), whence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *poursuant* part. as foll.]

pursu'e (per-), v.t. & i. Follow with intent to capture or kill; (fig., of consequences, penalty, disease, etc.) persistently attend, stick to; seek after, aim at, (pleasure etc., one's object); proceed in compliance with (plan etc.); proceed along, continue, (road, inquiry, conduct); follow (studies, profession); go in pursuit (after, or abs.). Hence pursu'ABLE (per-) a. [f. AF *pursuer* f. OF *poursieure*, f. L *prosequere*, *ire*, pop. varr. of *sequi* follow]

pursu'er (per-), n. In vbl senses, also || (Civil & Sc. Law) prosecutor. [-ER¹]

pursuit (persūt), n. Pursuing, esp. in ~ of (animal, person, one's object); profession, employment, recreation, that one follows. [f. AF *pursuite*, fem. p.p. & n. as PURSUE]

|| pursu'ivant (-sw-), n. Officer of College of Arms below herald; (poet.) follower, attendant. [f. OF *poursivant* (as PURSUE, see -ANT)]

pūrr's (š-), a. Short-winded, puffy; corpulent. Hence ~INESS n. [earlier -ite f. OF *polsif* (*polsier* breathe with labour as PULSATE)]

pūrr'y², a. Puckered. [f. PURSE¹ + -Y²]

pūrr'enance, n. (arch.). Inwards, pluck, of animal. [earlier form of PERTINENCE]

pūrr'ulent (-rōb-), a. Of, full of, discharging, pus. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *purulentus* (PUS, see -LENT)]

purvey (pervā), v.t. & i. Provide, supply, (articles of food) as one's business; make provision, act as purveyor, (for person, army, etc.). [f. AF *purveier* PROVIDE]

purvey'ance (pervā'ans), n. Purveying; || right of crown to provisions etc. at fixed price & to use of horses etc. [f. OF *porveance*, as PROVIDENCE]

purvey'or (pervā'er), n. One whose business it is to supply articles of food, esp. dinners etc. on large scale, as P~ to the Royal Household; (Hist.) officer making purveyance for sovereign. [f. AF *purveour* (as PURVEY, see -OR²)]

pūrr'iew (-vū), n. Enacting clauses of statute; scope, intention, range, (of act, document, scheme, book, occupation, etc.); range of physical or mental vision. [f. AF *purveu* provided, p.p. as PURVEY]

pūs, n. Yellowish viscid matter produced by suppuration. [L, gen. *pūs*]

Pūrr'e'yism (-zīm), n. (Hostile term for) TRACTARIANISM. So ~ITE¹ (-zīt) n. [E. B. Pusey d. 1882 + -ISM]

push¹ (pōsh), v.t. & i. 1. Exert upon

(body) force tending to move it away; move (body *up, down, away, back*, etc.) thus; exert such pressure, as *do not ~ against the fence*; (Billiards) make push-stroke; (of person in boat) ~ *off*, ~ *against* bank with oar to get boat out into stream etc. 2. (Bibl.) butt (t. & l.) with the horns. 3. (Cause to) project, thrust out, forth, etc., as *plants ~ out new roots, cape ~es out into sea*. 4. Make one's way forcibly or persistently, force (one's way) thus. 5. Exert oneself esp. to surpass others or succeed in one's business etc., whence ~ING¹ a., ~INGLY¹ adv., (pōb-). 6. Urge, impel, (often on, to do, to effort etc.). 7. Follow up, prosecute, (claim etc., often on); engage actively in making (one's fortune); extend (one's conquests etc.); ~ (matter) *through*, bring it to a conclusion. 8. Press the adoption, use, sale, etc. of (goods etc.) esp. by advertisement. 9. Press (person) hard, as *do not wish to ~ him for payment*, esp. in pass., as *am ~ed for* (can scarcely find) *time, money*. 10. ~pin, a child's game. Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) (pōb-) n. (~er aeroplane, with air-screw behind, opp. tractor). [f. F *pousser* as *PULSATE*]

push¹ (pōsh), n. 1. Act of pushing, shove, thrust; (Billiards) stroke in which ball is pushed, not struck; exertion of influence to promote person's advancement. 2. Thrust of weapon or of beast's horn. 3. Vigorous effort, as *must make a ~ to get it done, for home*, (Mil.) attack in force. 4. Continuous pressure of arch etc.; pressure of affairs, crisis, pinch. 5. Enterprise, determination to get on, self-assertion, whence ~FUL (pōb-) a. 6. (sl.) Gang of thieves, convicts, etc. 7. (sl.) Give, get, the ~, dismiss, be dismissed. 8. ~ball, game played with enormous ball, pushed, not kicked, towards opponents' goal; || ~bike (sl.), bicycle worked by pedalling (opp. motor-bike). [f. prec.]

Pūsh¹ tōō, -tu (-ōō), n. Afghan language. [f. Pers. *pashō*]

pūsillān¹ imous (-z), a. Faint-hearted, mean-spirited. Hence or cogn. **pūsillan**-im¹ rry n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. eol. L *pūsillanimitis* (*pūsillus* petty + *animus* soul) + -ous]

puss (pōbs), n. Cat (esp. as call-name); (quasi-proper name for) hare, tiger; (colloq.) girl, as *sly ~*; ~ *moth*, large European moth. [cf. Du. *poes*, Norw. *puse*, perh. orig. a call]

pu'ssŷ (pōb-), n. (nursery). ~(cat), cat; (nursery) soft furry thing, e.g. hazel catkin; (sl.) ~foot, *F~foot*, liquor-prohibition, advocate of this, (from nickname of a U.-S. prohibitionist). [-Y¹]

pūs¹ tūllāte, v.t. & i. Form into pustules. So ~ATE¹ (-at) a., ~ATION¹ n. [f. LL *pustulare*, as foll.]

pūs¹ tūlle, n. Pimple; malignant ~e, disease caused by anthrax bacillus; (Bot.,

Zool.) wart, wart-like excrescence. Hence or cogn. ~AR¹, ~OUS, aa. [f. L *pustula* (pus)]

put¹ (pōbt), v.t. & i. (*put*). I. General senses. 1. Propel, hurl, (*the weight, stone*) from hand placed close to shoulder as athletic exercise. 2. Thrust (weapon), send (missile), as ~ *a knife into, stab, put a bullet through, shoot*. 3. (Coal-mining) propel (tram or barrow of coal). 4. (Naut.) proceed, take one's course, *back, forth, in (to harbour etc.), off (from shore etc.), out, in ship*. 5. Move (thing etc., lit. & fig.) so as to place it in some situation, as ~ *it in your pocket, on the table, up the chimney, down the well*; ~ (mark, write) *a tick against his name, your signature to it*; ~ *the horse to (the cart)*, harness him; ~ *bull to cow or cow to bull* (for breeding); ~ (convey) *him across the river, ~ the children to bed, ~ him in prison*; *has ~ (infused) new life into him*; will ~ (present) *the matter clearly before her*; ~ *a spoke in his wheel, ~ the words into his mouth*¹, ~ *one's foot*¹ in it, one's shoulder to the wheel, *hand to the plough*¹, the lid on. 6. (With less or no idea of physical motion in space) bring into some relation or state, as ~ *yourself, the matter, in (to) my hands*; *time he was ~ (began to go habitually) to school*; ~ *it to (offer it for) sale, on the market*; ~ *'Othello' on (the stage)*, produce it; ~ (add) *milk to your tea*; *should ~ (price) it at 2/6*; ~s (estimates) *the circulation at 80,000*; ~ (translate) *it into Dutch*; *cannot ~ it into (express it in) words*; *what a way you have of ~ing things!*; ~s (sets) *no value on my advice*; I ~ (base) *my decision on the grounds stated*; ~ (apply) *it to a good use*; ~ (imagine) *yourself in his place*; ~ (substitute) *the will for the deed*; ~ *a good face*¹ on it; ~ *an end, period, stop, to it*, stop it; ~ *a check or stopper on it, a veto on it*, check it, forbid it; ~ *an end to (destroyed) himself or his life*; ~ *the wind up one (sl.)*, frighten him; ~ (stake) *money on a horse*; ~ *his money into (invested it in) land*; ~ & *take (name of a gambling game with tictotum)*; ~ (submit) *the case to him, to the vote*; I ~ *it (appeal) to you*; I ~ *it to you (invite you to acknowledge) that you were after no good; dues were ~ (imposed) on cattle; every insult was ~ (inflicted) on him; don't be ~ upon (victimized) by him*; ~ (lay) *the blame on me*; ~ *him (caused him to be) at his ease, in fear of his life, out of temper, on his guard, on his mettle*; ~ *him (make him speak) on (his) oath*; ~ *the servants on (allow them) board wages*; ~ *the proposal into shape*; ~ *his nose*¹ out of joint; ~ *thing out of court (make it not worth discussing etc.)*; ~ *thing out of one's head (forget, make him forget, it)*; *a few words will ~ (make) the matter right*; *always manages to ~ me (make me appear) in the wrong*; ~ *out of countenance*¹; *worst*

have ~ (made) the clock fast (by advancing hands); *~ wise (sl.), disabuse or enlighten; ~ (subject) them to death, torture, ransom, expense, inconvenience, the test or trial, the rack, the sword, confusion, shame; land was ~ into or under (sown with turnips); ~ (set) him to mind the furnace; ~ my horse to or at (invited him to jump) the fence; (of horse & fig. of person) must be ~ through (made to perform) his paces; ~ him (make him read) through a book of Livy; was ~ (forced, driven) to flight, to his shifts, to the BLUSH²; was ~ to (forced to play) his trumps; surprising what he can do when he's ~ to it (pressed); was hard ~ to it to (could scarcely) keep them off. II. Special senses with adv. 1. ~ about: lay (sailing vessel) on opposite tack, cause (horse, body of men) to turn round, (of vessel) go about; (chiefly Sc.) trouble, distress. 2. ~ across, execute or establish successfully (~ if across, succeed in doing). 3. ~ away: (arch.) divorce; lay by (money etc.) for future use; (sl.) consume (food, drink); (sl.) imprison; (sl.) pawn. 4. ~ back: check the advance of, retard; move back the hands of (clock); restore to former place. 5. ~ by: evade (question, argument); ~ off (person) with evasion; lay aside esp. for future use. 6. ~ down: suppress by force or authority; take down, snub, put to silence; cease to maintain (expensive thing); account, reckon, as I ~ him down for nine years old, at nine, as a fool, for a fool; attribute, as ~ it down to his nervousness; ~ one's root¹ down. 7. ~ forth: exert (strength, effort, eloquence); ~ in circulation; (of plant) send out (buds, leaves, or abs.). 8. ~ forward: thrust (oneself etc.) into prominence; advance, set forth, (theory etc.). 9. ~ in: install in office etc., as ~ in a caretaker, bailiff, (hence) distress, execution; present formally (document, evidence, plea, claim, ball) as in law-court; ~ in (make) an appearance; make a claim (for election etc.); interpose (blow, shot, remark, quoted words), ~ in one's OAR; throw in (additional thing); perform (piece of work) as part of a whole; (colloq.) pass, spend, (time). 10. ~ off: postpone; postpone engagement with (person); evade (person, demand, often with excuse, compromise); hinder, dissuade, from; foist (thing upon person); remove, take off, (clothes); (of boat, crew, etc.) leave shore; ~ off n., evasion, postponement. 11. ~ on: clothe oneself or another with; (colloq.) ~ it on, overcharge, simulate exaggerated emotion, suffering, etc.; assume, take on, (character, appearance); develop additional (flesh, weight); add (so much to price, runs etc. to score); stake (money upon horse etc.); advance the hands of (clock); bring into action, exert, (force, pressure, speed, STEAM¹, the screw¹); appoint, arrange for, (person) to

bowl etc., (train) to run etc. 12. ~ out: dislocate (shoulder etc.); (Crick.) cause (batsman) to be out; extinguish (candle, gas, fire, etc.); disconcert, confuse, annoy, irritate; ~ to inconvenience; exert (strength etc.); lend (money) at interest, invest; give (work) to be done off the premises. 13. ~ over, secure appreciation for (film, play, etc.); ~ (oneself) over, impress one's personality on (an audience). 14. ~ through: carry out (task); place (person) in telephonic connexion with (to) another through exchange(s). 15. ~ together: form (whole) by combination of parts; ~ two & two together; ~ (out etc.) heads together, consult; (Crick.) compile (score). 16. ~ up: ~ person's back up, enrage him; ~ one's HAIR up; employ (person) as jockey; produce (play) on stage; cause (game) to rise from cover; raise (price); offer (prayer), present (petition); propose for election; publish (banns); offer for sale by auction or for competition; pack up in parcel, place in receptacle for safe keeping; sheathe (sword); lodge & entertain (man, horse); take up one's lodging (at inn etc.); ~ up a (good etc.) fight, make a good etc. fight of it; ~ up with (arch. ~ up), submit to, tolerate, (insult, annoying person or thing); ~ (person) up to, inform him of, instruct him in, (also) instigate him (to do, to doing, or action); construct, build; concoct (underhand piece of work); ~ up a., fraudulently concocted. Hence PUTTER¹ (pōō-) n. [OE putian (late), potian (late), pūtan, cf. Da. putle]

put² (pōōt), n. 1. Throw, cast, of the weight or stone. 2. Option of delivering fixed amount of a stock at fixed price within fixed time. [f. prec.]

put³, pūt, v.i. & t. (pūtēd), & n. 1. Strike golf-ball, strike (golf-ball) gently with club to get it into hole on smooth piece of ground called putting-green. 2. n. Such stroke. Hence pūtter¹ (1, 2) n. [differentiated f. PUT^{1,2}]

put⁴, n. (old sl.). Duffer, queer person, countryman, etc. [?]

put⁵ active, a. Reputed, supposed, as his ~ father. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL putativus (putare think, see -ATIVE)]

pūte, a. (arch.). Pure (dē: ~, mere. [f. L putus in phr. purus ac putus]

pūt'ēal, n. (Rom. Ant.). Stone curb round mouth of well. [L (puteus well, see -AL)]

pūt'lōg, -lōck, n. Short horizontal timber on which scaffold-boards rest. [?]

pūt'rēly, v.i. & t. Become putrid, rot, go bad; fester, suppurate; become morally corrupt; (rare) cause to ~fy. So ~FACTON n., ~fACTIVE a. [f. F putrefier f. L putrefacere (putrere be rotten, see -FY)]

pūt'rēs'cent, a. In process of rotting; of, accompanying, this process. Hence ~ENCE n., ~IBLE a. [f. L putrescere incept. of putrere rot, see -ENT]

pūt'rid, a. Decomposed, rotten; foul, noxious; (fig.) corrupt; (sl.) of poor quality, highly distasteful; ~ *fever*, typhus; ~ *sore throat*, gangrenous pharyngitis, diphtheria. Hence ~ITY (-id'), ~NESS, nn., ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *putridus* (*putrere* rot, -id¹)]

put'sch (-dō-), n. Revolutionary attempt, coup de main. [G (Swiss)]

putt. See PUT³.

pütt'ee (-i), n. Long strip of cloth wound spirally round leg from ankle to knee for protection & support. [f. Hind. *pañi* handage]

pütt'ōō, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Fabric, plain or patterned, produced in Cashmere from coarse goat-wool. [native name]

pütt'y, n., & v.t. 1. (Also *jewellers'* ~) powder of calcined tin (& lead) for polishing glass or metal; (also *plasterers'* ~) fine mortar of lime & water without sand; (also *glaziers'* ~) cement of whitening, raw linseed oil, etc., for fixing panes of glass, filling up holes in woodwork, etc.; ~ *medal*, fit reward for small service (*you deserve a ~ medal*). 2. v.t. Cover, fix, join, fill up, with ~. [f. F *poter* lit. potful, see -y⁴]

puv (pwū), n. Small volcanic cone esp. in Auvergne. [F]

püz'zle, n. Bewilderment, perplexity; perplexing question, enigma; problem, toy, contrived to exercise ingenuity & patience, as *Chinese* ~; ~-*head(ed)*, -*pat(ed)*, (person) with confused ideas; || ~-*peg*, piece of wood so fixed to dog's lower jaw as to prevent him from putting nose close to ground. [?]

püz'zle, v.t. & i. Perplex; be perplexed (*about, over, problem* etc.); make out (solution of problem etc.); MONKEY ~. Hence ~DOM (-id-), ~MENT (-lm-), püz'zler¹(2), nn., püz'zlingLY² adv. [?]

puzzolana. See POZZOLANA.

pyaem'ia, n. Blood-poisoning marked by formation of pus-foci. Hence ~IC a. [f. Gk *puon* pus + *haima* blood + -ia¹]

pýc'no-in comb. = Gk *puknos* thick, dense, as ~-*style* a. & n., (building) with close arrangement of columns, i.e. at interval of one diameter & a half.

pýe'dōg, p(e)-, n. Ownerless mongrel of the East. [Anglo-Ind.; cf. Hind. *pāhi* outsider]

pýg'm/y, pi-, n. & a. 1. One of a diminutive race of men said to have inhabited parts of Ethiopia or India; the *P-ies*, a dwarf race in equatorial Africa; dwarf (fig. of intellectual inferiority etc.); elf, pixy. 2. adj. Of the ~ies, dwarf. So pýgm(ə)'AN (-ē'an) a. [f. L f. Gk *pugmātos* (*pugmē* length from elbow to knuckles)]

|| **pýja'mas**, *paj-, (-ahmaz), n. pl. Loose silk or cotton trousers tied round waist, worn by both sexes among Mohammedans & adopted esp. for night wear by Euro-

peans; sleeping-suit of loose trousers & jacket [f. Pers. *pae jamah* (*pae*, *pay*, foot, leg, + *jamah* clothing)]

pýl'ōn, n. Gateway esp. of Egyptian temple; tall compound structure erected as support or boundary or decoration. [f. Gk *pulōn* (*pulē* gate)]

pýlōr'us, n. (anat.). Opening from stomach into duodenum; part of stomach where this is. Hence pýlōr'ic a. [LL, f. Gk *pulōros* gatekeeper (*pulē* gate + *ouros* warder)]

pýo-in comb. = Gk *puon* pus, as ~*gen'esis*, formation of pus; ~*rrhoe'a* (-rēa), purulent discharge (esp. as a dental disease). So pý'oid a.

pýr'acanth, n. Evergreen thorny shrub with white flowers & scarlet berries. [f. L f. Gk *purakantha*, etym. dub.]

pýr'amid, n. 1. Monumental (esp. ancient Egyptian) structure of stone etc. with polygonal or (usu.) square base, & sloping sides meeting at apex. 2. Solid of this shape with base of three or more sides. 3. ~-shaped thing or pile of things; fruit-tree trained in ~ shape. 4. Poem whose successive lines increase or decrease in length. 5. || pl. (Billiards) game played with (usu. 15) coloured balls & one cue-ball. Hence or cogn. pýrām'idāl a., pýrām'idality², ~wise, advv. [f. L f. Gk *puramis* -idos, perh. of Egypt. orig.]

pýr'amidist, n. Student of structure & history of Egyptian pyramids. [-ist]

pýre, n. Heap of combustible material, esp. funeral pile for burning corpse. [f. L f. Gk *pura* (*pur* fire)]

pýrēth'rum, n. Name of kinds of chrysanthemum. [L, f. Gk *purethron*]

pýrēt'ic (or pi-), a. Of, for, or producing, fever. [f. Gk *puretos* fever + -ic]

pýrēx'ia (or pi-), n. (path.). Fever. Hence ~IAL, ~ICAL, aa. [f. Gk *purexis* (*puressō* be feverish, as prec.)]

pyrhéliōm'eter (per-), n. Instrument for measuring heat given off by sun. [f. Gk *pur* fire + *hēlios* sun + -METER]

pýr'idine (or pi-), n. (chem.). A volatile liquid alkaloid from dry distillation of bone-oil, used for asthma. [f. Gk *pur* fire + -ID⁴ + -INE⁵]

pýrit'ēs (-z), n. (Also *iron* ~) either of two sulphides of iron; *copper* ~, double sulphide of copper & iron. Hence *pyrit'ic*, *pyritiz'eous*, *pyritous*, aa., *pyritize* v.t., (pi-, or pi-). [L, f. Gk *purisēs* of fire (*pur*, see -ITE¹)]

pyro. See PYROGALLIC.

pýr'o-in comb. = Gk *pur* fire, as: ~*electric*, ~*o-electricity*, (property of) becoming electrically polar when heated; ~*ogall'ic acid* (abbr. *pyro*), acid used as reducing agent in photography etc.; ~*ogent'ic*, productive of heat, esp. in the body, or (also ~*ogēn'ic*) of fever; ~*ogénous*, (of rock) igneous, (of substance) produced by combustion of another;

~*ography*, = **POKER**¹ *work*; ~*ography*, piece of poker-work; ~*ol'dry*, fire-workship; ~*oligneous*, produced by action of fire or heat on wood, as ~*oligneous acid*; ~*omdn'ia*, incendiary mania, so ~*omdn'iac* n., ~*omani'acal* a.; ~*om'eler*, instrument for measuring high temperatures, so ~*omet'ric(al)* aa., ~*omet'rically* adv., ~*om'dry* n.; ~*oph'orus*, substance that takes fire spontaneously on exposure to air, so ~*oph'd'ric*, ~*oph'orus*, aa.; ~*oph'd'ograph*, one burnt in on glass or porcelain, so ~*ophotograph'ic* a., ~*ophotography* n. Also in scientific wds denoting (Chem.) new substance formed from another by destructive distillation etc., (Min.) minerals etc. showing some property or change under action of heat, or having fiery red or yellow colour.

pyr'ope, n. A deep-red garnet. [f. OF *pyrope* f. L f. Gk *purōpos* gold-bronze, lit. fiery-eyed (*pur* fire + *ops* eye)]

pyrotech'nic (-tēk-), a. & n. 1. Of the nature of fireworks, as ~*ic display*; (fig., of wit etc.) brilliant, sensational. 2. n. pl. Art of making, display of, fireworks (lit. & fig.). Hence or cogn. ~*ical* a., ~*ically* adv., ~*ist*, **pyr'otechny**¹, nn., (-tēk-). [f. PYRO- + Gk *tekhnikos* (*tekhne* art, see -ic)]

pyr'oxēne, n. (Kinds of) mineral composed mainly of the silicates of calcium and magnesium, a common component of igneous rocks. [f. PYRO- + Gk *zenos* stranger (because erroneously supposed alien to igneous rocks)]

pyr'ox'ylīn, n. Nitrates of cellulose, esp. the explosive, gun-cotton, or the lower nitrate which when dissolved in ether & alcohol forms collodion & serves as the basis of varnishes, artificial leather, etc. [f. PYRO- + Gk *zulon* wood + -IN]

Pýrrhic¹ (-rik), p-, n. & a. 1. ~ (*dance*), war dance of ancient Greeks. 2. The metrical foot ~; (adj.) consisting of such feet. [(in pros. sense f. L f. Gk *purrikhios*) f. *purrikhē*, said to be named f. *Purrikhos*, the inventor]

Pýrrhic² (-rik), a. ~ *victory* (gained at too great cost, like that of Pyrrhus king of Epirus over the Romans at Asculum). [f. Gk *purrikhos* (*Purros* Pyrrhus, see -ic)]

Pýrrhon'ism (-ro-), n. Sceptic philosophy of Pyrrho of Elis (c. 300 B.C.), doctrine that certainty of knowledge is unattainable; scepticism, philosophic doubt. Hence or cogn. **Pýrrhon'ian** (-rō-), **Pýrrhon'ic** (-rō-), aa. & nn., ~*ist* (-ro-) n. [f. Gk *Purrhōn* Pyrrho + -ISM]

pyr'us, n. Genus of rosaceous trees & shrubs including pear & apple, esp. *P. japonica*, scarlet ~. [med. L, = *L. pirus* pear-tree]

Pythagor'ean, a. & n. (Follower) of Pythagoras, philosopher of Samos (6th c. B.C.) said to have believed in transmigra-

tion of souls; ~ *proposition*, Euclid I. 47. [f. L f. Gk *Pythagoreios* + -AN]

Pyth'ian (-dh-), a. & n. Of (Apollo's oracle & priestess at) Delphi; the ~, Apollo, his priestess at Delphi. [f. L f. Gk *Pythios* (*Pythō*, older name of Delphi) + -AN]

pyth'on¹, n. (Gk Myth.) huge serpent or monster slain near Delphi by Apollo; large snake that crushes its prey. So **pythōn'ic**¹ [-ic] a. [f. L f. Gk *Pythōn*]

pyth'on², n. Familiar spirit; person possessed by this. Hence or cogn. ~*ess*¹ n., **pythōn'ic**² [-ic] a. [f. LL (-o) f. N.T., Gk *pythōn*; connexion w. prec. unexpl.]

pýx, n., & v.t. 1. (Eccl.) vessel in which consecrated bread is kept. 2. || Box at Royal Mint in which specimen gold & silver coins are deposited to be tested at the annual *trial of the ~* by jury of Goldsmiths' Company; || (v.t.) deposit (coin) in ~, test (coin) by weight & assay. [(vb f. n.) f. PYXIS]

pyxid'ium, n. (bot.; pl. -ia). Capsule of which the top comes off like lid of box. [f. Gk *pyxidion*, dim. as foll.]

pýx'is, n. Small box, casket; -prec. [L, f. Gk *pyxis* f. *pyxos* box-tree]

Q

Q (kü), letter (pl. Qs, Q's). (Skating) change of edge followed by turn (*reverse Q*, turn followed by change of edge); *mind* one's Ps & Qs, see P; *Q-boat*, *Q-ship*, = MYSTERY¹-ship; *Q department*, that of Q.M.G.

quā, conj. As, in the capacity of, (*objects to the Church not ~ Church, but ~ Establishments*). [L, abl. fem. sing. of *qui* rel. pron.]

quack¹, v.i., & n. (Utter) harsh sound made by ducks; talk loudly & foolishly; ~ (nurse), duck. [imit.; cf. Du. *kwaken*, G. *quacken*]

quack², n., & v.i. & t. 1. Ignorant pretender to skill esp. in medicine or surgery, one who offers wonderful remedies or devices, charlatan, (often attrib., as ~ *doctor*, *remedies*); hence ~*ERY*(4) n., ~*ISH*¹ a. 2. vb. Play the ~; talk pretentiously; puff or advertise (cure etc.). [abbr. of foll.]

quack'silver, n. (Orig. form, now rare, of) QUACK¹ n. [Du. (QUACK¹, SALVE, -ER¹)]

quad (kwōd), n. See QUADRANGLE, QUADRATE, QUADRUPLER.

qua'drable (-dē-), a. (math.). Capable of being represented by an equivalent square or expressed in finite number of algebraic terms. [as QUADRATE¹, -ABLE]

quadrage'nā'ian (-dē-), a. & n. (Person) forty years old. [f. L *quadragenarius* (*quadragesim* distrib. of *quadragesima* forty, -ARY¹)]

Quadrage'sima (-dē-), n. (Also ~ *Sunday*) first Sunday in Lent. [med. L (earlier sense, the forty days of Lent), fem. of

L *quadragesimus* fortieth (*quadragesima* forty)

quadragesimal (-ôd-), *a.* Lasting forty days (of fast, esp. Lent); Lenten. [*f. LL quadragesimalis* (prec., -AL)]

quadrangle (kwôd'ràngl), *n.* Four-sided figure, esp. square or rectangle; so **quadráng'ulár¹ a.**, **quadráng'uláríy² adv.**, (-ngg-); || (also *quad*, pr. kwôd) four-sided court (partly) enclosed by parts of large buildings, such court with buildings round it. [*F, f. LL quadrangulum* (QUADRI-, ANGLE)]

qua'drant (-ôd-), *n.* Quarter of circle's circumference; plane figure enclosed by two radii of circle at right angles & arc cut off by them; quarter of sphere; thing, esp. graduated strip of metal, shaped like quarter-circle, instrument properly so shaped & graduated for taking angular measurements. Hence **quadrán'tal a.** [*f. L quadrans -antis* (QUADRI-)]

qua'drat (-ôd-), *n.* (Also *quad*, pr. kwôd) small metal block used by printers in spacing (*em* ~, *en* ~, broader, narrower, size). [*var. of foll.*]

qua'drate¹ (-ôd-), *a. & n.* 1. Square, rectangular, (chiefly in anat. names, as ~ *bone* in birds' & reptiles' heads, ~ *muscle* in loins, thigh, forearm, etc.). 2. *n.* Rectangular block or plate (rare); ~ *bone* or *muscle*. [*f. L quadratus* (foll., -ATE²)]

quadrâte² (or kwôd²), *v.t. & i.* (rare). Make square; (Math.) square (circle etc.); correspond or conform (*with*, or *abs.* of pl. subj.); make conform *with* or *to* or *abs.* [*f. L quadrare* (QUADRI-, -ATE²)]

quadrát'ic, *a. & n.* 1. Square (rare); (Math.) involving second & no higher power of unknown quantity or variable (esp. ~ *equation*). 2. *n.* ~ *equation*; (pl.) branch of algebra dealing with these. [QUADRATE¹, -IC]

qua'drature (-ôd-), *n.* (Math.) finding of square with area precisely equal to that of figure bounded by curve (esp. ~ *of the circle*); (Astron.) one of two points in space or time at which moon is 90° from sun, position of heavenly body in relation to another 90° away. [*f. L quadratura* (QUADRATE², -URE)]

quadrén'ial, *a.* Occurring every, lasting, four years. [*irreg. f. L quadriennium* four-year period (foll., *annus* year), -AL]

qua'dri- (-ôd-), *L* comb. form = four-, in a few *L* words (*quadrivium* period of four days, *quadrupartitus* ~ *partite*), & in many of later *L* & mod. formation, esp. in scientific use: ~*fid*, *a.*, cleft into four divisions or lobes; ~*lat'eral*, *a. & n.*, four-sided (figure or area); the *Q* ~ *lateral*, four fortresses in N. Italy & district protected by them; ~*ling'ual* (-nggw-), *a.*, using, in, four languages; **quadrill'ion** (kwodrill'yon), *n.*, || fourth power of (*kwadril'yon*), *n.*, || fourth power of (*kwadril'yon*) (1 followed by 24 ciphers), *fifth power of a thousand (cf. *million*); ~

nôm'ial, *a.*, consisting of four algebraic terms; ~*párt'ite*, *a.*, consisting of four parts, shared by or involving four parties; ~*rême*, *n.*, ancient galley with four banks of oars; ~*sylláb'ic*, *a.*, four-syllabled; ~*syll'able*, *n.*, word of four syllables; **quadriv'alent** (kwa-), *a.* (chem.), capable of combining with four univalent atoms; **quadriv'ium** (kwa-), *n.* (hist.), medieval university course of arithmetic, geometry, astronomy, & music (cf. *TRIVIMUM*).

qua'dric (-ôd-), *a. & n.* (solid geom.). (Surface) of second degree. [*as prec., -IC*]

quadrig'a, *n.* (pl. -ae). Ancient chariot with four horses abreast (as in sculpture or coins). [*L* (QUADRI-, *jupum* yoke)]

quadrille¹ (ka-, kwa-), *n.* Fashionable 18th-c. game for four persons with forty cards. [*F*, perh. *f. Sp. cuartillo* w. assim. to foll.]

quadrille² (ka-, kwa-), *n.* Square dance for four couples & containing five figures (also *set of* ~s); piece of music for such dance. [*F, f. Sp. cuadrilla* (cuadra square) *squadron*, band]

quadróon, *n.* Offspring of white & mulatto, person of quarter-negro blood; hybrid of similarly proportioned descent between other human, animal, or vegetable stocks. [*f. Sp. cuarteron* (cuarto fourth) w. assim. to QUADRI-]

quadrú'manous (-rôo-), *a.* Four-handed, belonging to the order *Quadrumana* of mammals with opposable digit on all four limbs. [*after foll. f. L manus* hand]

qua'druped (-ôdrôo-), *n. & a.* 1. Four-footed animal, esp. four-footed mammal; so **quadrú'pédal** (-rôo-) *a.* 2. *adj.* Four-footed. [*f. L quadrupes -pedis a. & n.* (*quadrú-* form of QUADRI- occas. used before *p*, *pes* foot)]

qua'druple (-ôdrôo-), *a., n., & v.t. & i.* 1. Fourfold, consisting of four parts or involving four parties, (~ *algebra*, using four independent units; ~ *rhythm* or *time*, with four beats to a measure; ~ *alliance* etc.); amounting to four times the amount or number of, equivalent to fourfold the amount of, superior by four times in amount or number to, (*has a light & heat* ~, or ~ *of* or *to*, *that of the earth*); hence **qua'druply¹** (-ôdrôo-) *adv.* 2. *n.* Number or amount four times greater than another (esp. the ~ *of*). 3. *vb.* Multiply (t. & i.) by four. [*F, f. L quadruplus* (prec., -plus as in *duplus* DOUBLE)]

qua'druplét (-ôdrôo-), *n.* (Pl.) four children at a birth (colloq. *quads*, pr. kwôds); four things working together; bicycle for four. [*f. prec. after TRIPLET*]

quadrú'plicate¹ (-ôo-), *a. & n.* 1. Fourfold, four times repeated or copied. 2. *n.* In ~, in four exactly similar examples or copies; (pl.) four such copies. [*f. L quadruplicare* (*quadruplex* fourfold, cf. *quadruplex*, DUPLIX), -ATE²]

quadrú'pliciâte² (-ôo-), *v.t.* Multiply by

four; make four specimens of. Hence ~A'TION n. [as prec., -ATE¹]

quadrupli'city (-dōrō-), n. Fourfold nature, being fourfold. [f. L (-tas), as prec., -TY]

quaere (kwē'ī), v.t. imperat., & n. (abbr. *qu.*). 1. Inquire (imperat.), it is a question, I should like to know. (*most interesting, no doubt; but, is it true?*) 2. n. A question, query. [L. imperat. of *quaerere* ask]

quaes'tor, n. Ancient-Roman official, state-treasurer, paymaster, etc. Hence or cogn. **quaes'tor'IAL** a., ~SHIP n. [L (*quaerere quaesit-* seek, -OR²)]

quaff (-ah-), v.i. & t. Drink (t. & i.), drain (cup etc.), in copious or long draughts. [?]

quag, n. Marshy or boggy spot, quaking bog. Hence ~G'Y¹ (-g-) a. [limit.; cf. *wag*, *swag*]

quagg'a, n. S.-Afr. quadruped related to ass & zebra, less striped than latter; Burchell's zebra. [S.-Afr.]

quag'mire, n. Quaking bog, fen, marsh, slough (lit. & fig.). [prob. f. QUAG, MIRE]

***quahog'**, -haug' (kwahōg), n. Edible round clam of Atlantic coast of N. America. [abbr. of Amer.-Ind. *poquau-hock*]

|| **quaich**, **quaigh**, (kwāx), n. (Sc.). Kind of drinking-cup, usu. of wood & having two handles. [f. Gael. *cuach* cup]

Quai d'Orsay (kādōr-), n. (Used for) the French Foreign Office.

quail', n. Kinds of migratory bird allied to partridge esteemed as food; ~call, ~pipe, whistle with note like ~'s for luring. Hence ~ERY(3) n. [f. OF *quaille* prob. f. Teut., cf. OHG *quatala* prob. imit.]

quail', v.i. & t. (Of person, or his heart, courage, spirit, or eyes) flinch, be cowed, give way before or to; (rare) cow, daunt. [etym. dub.; from 1440; common 1520-60; then disappears till revived prob. by Scott]

quaint, a. Attractive or piquant in virtue of unfamiliar, esp. old-fashioned, appearance, ornamentation, manners, etc., daintily odd. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [earlier senses *wise, cunning, ingenious*; f. OF *cointe* f. L *cognitus* p.p. of *cognoscere* learn]

quake, v.i., & n. 1. Shake, tremble, rock to & fro, (of earth with earthquake, person usu. for or with fear or cold, bog when trodden on, etc.); ~ing-grass, kinds with slender foot-stalks trembling in wind. 2. n. Act of ~ing, (colloq.) earthquake. Hence ~INGLY² adv., ~Y² a. [OE *cwacian* cf. QUAG]

quāk'er, n. 1. (Q~). (Outsiders' name for) member of Society of Friends founded by George Fox 1648-50, & devoted to peace principles, plainness of dress (esp. the use of drab or grey), simplicity of speech (esp. the use of *thee* & avoidance of titles & words, such as the names of the days, suggestive of paganism), & peculiar

priestless religious meetings. 2. *Dummy gun in ship or fort. 3. (Also ~bird, moth) kinds of plain-coloured bird & moth. 4. ~, or ~s, ~meeting, religious meeting of Friends, silent till some member is moved by the spirit, (transf.) silent meeting, company in which conversation flags. Hence ~DOM, ~ESS¹, ~ISM (3, 4), nn. ~ISM¹, ~LY¹, aa. [name given 1850 w. ref. to 'quaking at the Word of the Lord'; -ER¹]

qualificā'tion (-ōl-), n. 1. Modification, recognition of contingency, restricting or limiting circumstance, deduction from completeness or absoluteness, (*statement with many ~s; hedged with ~s; requires ~; his delight had one ~*). 2. Quality fitting person or thing (for post etc., or abs.); condition that must be fulfilled before right can be acquired or office held (*the ~ for citizenship may be a certain income*), document attesting such fulfilment. 3. Attribution of quality (*the ~ of his policy as opportunist is unfair*). So **qua'licatory** (-ōl-) a. [f. med. L *qualificatio* (foll., -ICATION)]

qual'ify (-ōl-), v.t. & i. 1. Attribute some quality to, describe as, (~ documents as heretical, person as a scoundrel, proposal as iniquitous; adjectives ~ nouns). 2. Invest or provide with the necessary qualities, make competent, fit, or legally entitled, (*for being or doing, to be or do, for post or sphere, or abs.; ~ing examination, to ascertain that candidates are not below a fixed standard, often followed by competitive*); (intr.) fulfil some condition, esp. pass examination or take oath, to make oneself eligible (for office, or abs.). 3. Modify (statement, opinion), make less absolute or sweeping, subject to reservations or limitation. 4. Moderate, mitigate, make less complete or pleasing or unpleasant; diminish strength or flavour of (spirit etc. with water, also joc. water with spirit). [f. mod. L *qualificare* (L *qualis* such as, -FY)]

qual'itative (-ōl-), a. Concerned with, depending on, quality (opp. QUANTITATIVE; esp. ~ analysis). [f. LL *qualitativus* (foll., -ATIVE)]

qua'lit'y (-ōl-), n. 1. Degree of excellence, relative nature or kind or character, (opp. QUANTITY; of good, high, poor, etc., ~y; *is made in three ~ies; ~y matters more than quantity*); general excellence (*has ~y, is excellent*). 2. Faculty, skill, accomplishment, characteristic trait, mental or moral attribute, (*give a taste of one's ~y, show what one can do; has many good ~ies, the DEFECTS of his ~ies, the ~ies of a ruler, the ~y of inspiring confidence or of courage*). 3. (arch. or vulg.). High rank or social standing (*people of the, ~y, the upper classes*). 4. (Log.; of proposition) being affirmative or negative. 5. (Of sound, voice, etc.) distinctive character

apart from pitch & loudness, timbre. [f. F *qualité* f. L *qualitatem* (*qualis* of what kind, -TY)]

qualm (-ahm, -awm), n. Momentary faint or sick feeling, queasiness; misgiving, sinking of heart; scruple of conscience, doubt of one's own rectitude in some matter. Hence ~ISH¹ a. [cf. G *qualm* vapour (dial. swoon)]

quandā'ry (-ōn-; also kwōn'dari), n. A state of perplexity, difficult situation, practical dilemma, (*am in a ~*). [from 1580; etym. dub.]

quand même (see Ap.), adv. Despite consequences, even so, all the same. [F]

|| **quant** (kwōnt), n., & v.t. & i. Punting-pole with disk to prevent its sinking in mud used by E.-coast bargemen etc.; (vb) propel (boat), propel boat, with ~. [perh. f. L f. Gk *kontos*]

quanti'c (-ōn-), n. (math.). Rational integral homogeneous function of two or more variables. [f. L *quantus* how much, -IC]

quanti'fī (-ōn-), v.t. (Log.) define application of (term, proposition) by use of *all, some*, etc.; determine quantity of, measure, express as quantity. Hence ~FIABLE a., ~FICATION n. [f. med. L *quantificare* (prec., -FY)]

quanti'tative (-ōn-; or -ta-), a. Measured or measurable by, concerned with, quantity (opp. QUALITATIVE; esp. ~ analysis); of, based on, the quantity of vowels (~ accent, scansion, verse, etc.). Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. med. L *quantitativus* (QUANTIFY, -ATIVE)]

quanti'tive (-ōn-), a. = prec. (rare). [foll., -IVE]

quanti'tily (-ōn-), n. 1. The property of things that is estimable by some sort of measure, the having of size, extension, weight, amount, or number, (*mathematics is the science of pure ~y; stated in terms of ~y; the ~y of a surface is its area*). 2. Amount, sum, (*the ~y of the current depends on the size of the plates*). 3. Specified or considerable portion or number or amount of something, the amount of something present, (*a small ~y of blood; a ~y of baskets; buys in large ~ies; the ~y of heat in an animal body*); (pl.) large amounts or numbers, abundance, (*is found in ~ies on the shore*). 4. (Pros.) length or shortness of vowel sounds (see LONG¹; ~y-mark, put over vowel to indicate ~y; FALSE ~y). 5. (Log.) extension given to subject of proposition. 6. (Math.) thing having ~y, figure or symbol representing it, (*incommensurable ~ies have no aliquot parts; unknown ~y, transf., person or thing whose action cannot be foreseen; negligible ~y, transf., person etc. that need not be reckoned with*). 7. || BILL⁴ of ~ies; || ~y surveyor, one whose business it is to prepare bills of ~ies, measure and price work done, etc.

[f. OF *quantité* f. L *quantitatem* (*quantus* how much, -TY)]

quantiv'alence (-ōn-, -ān-), n. (chem.). Extent to which one of element's atoms can hold other atoms in combination. [f. L *quantus* how much, after *equivalence* see EQUIVALENT]

quā'tum (-ōn-, in L *phrr.* -ān-, -ōn-), n. (pl. -a, rare). Amount; share, portion; required, desired, or allowed amount; ~ *lib'li* or *plā'ci*, abbr. *q.l.*, *q.p.*, as much as is desired (in prescriptions); ~ *suff'ici*, abbr. *quant. suff.*, or *q.s.*, as much as suffices (in prescriptions), (gen.) sufficient quantity, to sufficient extent; ~ *theory* (Physics), the hypothesis, accounting for the stability of the atom & other phenomena, that in radiation the energy of electrons is discharged not continuously but in discrete amounts or quanta. [L, neut. of *quantus* how much, as much as]

quāquavērs'al, a. (geol.). Pointing in every direction. [f. LL *quaquaversus* (*quaqua* wheresoever, *versus* towards)]

quarantine (kwō'rāntēn), n., & v.t. 1. (Period of) isolation imposed on voyagers, travellers, sick persons, or infected ship, that might spread contagious disease. 2. v.t. Impose such isolation on, put in ~. [prob. f. It. *quarantina* forty days (*quaranta* f. L *quadraginta* forty)]

quā'r'ē im'pēdit, n. Writ issued in cases of disputed presentation to benefice against objector. [L, = why does he hinder?]

|| **qua'r'enden**, -der, (kwō-), n. Kind of Devonshire & Somerset apple. [†]

qua'r'el¹ (kwō-), n. (hist.). Short heavy arrow or bolt used in crossbow or arbalest. [OF, cf. It. *quadrello* dim. of *quadro* a square (LL *quadrus* a.)]

qua'r'el² (kwō-), n. 1. Occasion of complaint against person or his actions (*have no ~ against or with him; find ~ in a straw*, be captious; *pick a ~*, invent or eagerly avail oneself of such occasion to commence hostilities; *espouse one's ~*, fight one's ~s for him, assist him in getting redress; *in a good ~*, justly taken up). 2. Violent contention or altercation between persons, rupture of friendly relations. Hence ~SOME a., ~SOMELY² adv., ~SOMENESS n. [f. OF *querelle* f. L *querela* complaint (*queri* complain)]

qua'r'el³ (kwō-), v.i. (-ll-). Take exception, find fault with (*I never ~ with Providence; ~ with one's bread & butter*, abandon employment by which one lives); contend violently (*with person, about or for thing*), fall out, have dispute, break off friendly relations. [f. prec.]

qua'r'r'y¹ (kwō-), n. Object of pursuit by bird of prey, hounds, hunters, etc.; intended victim or prey. [f. OF *curie* (*cur* skin f. L *corium*, -x⁴), orig. sense, parts of deer placed on hide & given to hounds]

quarry¹ (kwô-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Excavation made by taking stone for building etc. from its bed; place whence stone, or fig. information etc., may be extracted; floor-tile; ~man, worker in ~. 2. vb. Extract (stone) from ~; extract (facts etc.) laboriously from books etc.; expend toil in searching documents etc. (~ing in the *Harleian MSS.*). [t. med. L *quærea*, *quadraria*, (L *quadrare* to square)]

quarry² (kwô-), n. Diamond-shaped pane of glass as used in lattice-windows. [later form of QUARREL¹]

quart¹ (kwôrt), n. Measure of capacity, quarter of gallon or two pints (*put ~ into pint pot*, make less contain greater); pot or bottle containing this amount (~ bottle of wine or spirit, $\frac{1}{4}$ gal.); (abs. for) ~ of beer (*still takes his ~*); ~pot. [F, f. neut. of L *quartus* fourth]

quart² (kôrt), n., & v.l. & t. 1. A position in fencing, CARTE, (~ & tierce, fencing-practice); sequence of four cards in piquet etc. (~major, ace, king, queen, knave). 2. vb. Use the position ~; draw back (head etc.) in this. [f. F *quarte* f. fem. L as prec.]

quar-tan (kwô-t), a. & n. (Ague or fever) with paroxysm every third (by inclusive reckoning fourth) day. [f. F (*fièvre*) *quar-taine* f. L (*febris*) *quartana* (*quartus* fourth, -AN)]

quar-ta'tion (kwô-t), n. Combining of three parts of silver with one of gold as preliminary in purifying gold. [L *quartus* fourth, -ATION]

quarte (kôrt). Var. of QUART¹ (see etym.)

quarter¹ (kwô-t), n. 1. Fourth part, one of four equal or corresponding parts, fourth part of, (*divide the apples into ~s*; ~ of a century, any period of 25 years; second etc. ~ of the century, 26th to 50th etc. years of it; ~ of an hour, any consecutive 15 minutes; *bad ~ of an hour*, short unpleasant experience; *can get it at the stores for a ~ the or of the, or for ~ the, price*; *is not a ~ as good as it should be*; ~ mile, yard, etc., ~ of a mile etc.). 2. (U.S., Can.) 25 cents or ~ dollar, as amount or coin. 3. One of four parts, each including leg or arm, into which beast's or bird's carcass is divided (of beast, often *fore*, *hind*, ~); (pl.) similar parts of traitor quartered after execution; (usu. in pl., often *hind*-~s) haunch(es) of living animal or man. 4. Either side of ship aft of main-chains (*on the ~*, between stern & on beam). 5. (her.). One of four divisions of quartered shield (*dexter & sinister chief*, *dexter & sinister base*); charge occupying ~ placed in chief. 6. || Grain-measure of eight bushels, used in stating large quantities, prices, etc.; (abbr. gr) fourth of cwt, 28 lb. 7. Fourth of fathom (& a ~ five, $5\frac{1}{4}$ fathoms; a ~ less five, $4\frac{1}{4}$). 8. Fourth of year for which payments become due on ~day; installment of allowance etc. for the ~; (now

chiefly So.) school term. 9. Fourth of lunar period; moon's position between first & second or third & fourth of these. 10. Point of time 15' before or after any hour o'clock (*at a ~ to, past, etc.*; *it is not the ~ yet*; *strikes the hours, half-hours, & ~s*; *it has gone the ~*, clock has sounded for it). 11. || (Channel I.) unit of property or income, reckoned as £25, for assessment of taxes etc. 12. (Region lying about) point of compass, direction, district, locality, source of supply or help or information, (*wind blows from all four ~s at once*; *what ~ is the wind in?* lit., & fig. how are things going? etc.; *flocked in from all ~s*; *no help to be looked for in that ~*; *had the news from a good ~*). 13. Division of town, esp. one appropriated to or occupied by special class (*the Jewish, manufacturing, residential, etc., ~*). 14. pl. Lodgings, abode, esp. place where troops are lodged or stationed (HEAD~s; *winter ~s*, occupied, esp. by troops, for winter; *take up one's ~s*, lodge in, with, etc.; BEAT¹ up ~s of; *beat to ~s*, Naut., summon crew to appointed stations as for action; *at close*¹ ~s). 15. Exemption from death offered or granted to enemy in battle who will surrender (*give, receive, ~*; *ask for or cry ~*; *no ~ to be given*). 16. ~mile race or running-distance (*won the ~*; *has done the ~ in 50'*). 17. ~bell, sounding the ~-hours; ~binding of book, with narrow leather at back & none at corners, so ~bound a.; ~butt in billiards, cue shorter than half-butt; || ~day, on which quarterly payments are due, tenancies begin & end, etc. (Lady Day 25 Mar., Midsummer Day 24 June, Michaelmas 29 Sep., & Christmas 25 Dec.; in Scotland, Candlemas 2 Feb., Whitsunday 15 May, Lammas 1 Aug., Martinmas 11 Nov.); ~deck, part of upper deck between stern & after-mast, the officers (cf. LOW^{er} deck) of ship or navy; ~ill, cattle & sheep disease causing putrefaction in one or more of the ~s; ~left, right, (Mil.), ~ of a right angle to left, right; ~light, window in body of closed carriage apart from door-window; ~line (Naut.), disposition in which bow of each ship is abaft beam of one in front; ~master, (Naut.) petty officer or rating in charge of steering, binnacle, signals, hold-stowing, etc., (Mil., abbr. Q.M.) regimental officer with duties of assigning ~s, laying out camp, & looking after rations, clothing, etc. (Q~master-General, abbr. Q.M.G., staff officer at head of department controlling quartering, equipment, etc.); ~miler, runner whose distance is the ~; ~plate, photographic plate $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. \times $4\frac{1}{4}$, photograph produced from it; || ~sessions, court of limited criminal & civil jurisdiction & of appeal held quarterly by justices of peace in counties & by re-

oorder in boroughs; ~*staff*, stout pole 6-8 ft long formerly used by peasantry as weapon; ~*tone* (Mus.), half a semitone; ~*wind*, blowing on ship's ~ (most favourable sailing wind). (OF, f. L *quartarius* fourth part (of a measure) f. *quartus* fourth, see -ER²(2))

quar'ter¹ (kwōr-), v.t. 1. Divide into four equal parts, divide (traitor's body) into quarters. 2. (her.). Place or bear (charges or coats of arms) quarterly on shield; add (another's coat) to one's hereditary arms; place in alternate quarters *with*; divide (shield) into quarters or into divisions formed by vertical & horizontal lines. 3. Put (esp. soldiers) into quarters, station or lodge in specified place. 4. (Of dogs) range or traverse (ground) in every direction. [f. prec.]

quar'terage (-ōr-), n. Quarterly payment, a quarter's wages, allowance, pension, etc. [-AGE]

quar'tering (-ōr-), n. In vbl senses; esp. (Her., pl.) coats marshalled on shield to denote alliances of family with heiresses of others. [-ING¹]

quar'terly (-ōr-), a., n., & adv. 1. Occurring every quarter of a year. 2. n. ~ review or magazine. 3. adv. Once every quarter of a year; (Her.) in the four, or in two diagonally opposite, quarters of shield (~*quartered*, with one or more quarters divided in four). [-LY^{1,2}]

|| **quar'tern** (-ōr-), n. (Also ~*loaf*) four-pound loaf. [f. OF *quarlon* quarter; orig. sense, quarter of anything]

quar'tet(te) (-ōr-), n. Musical composition for four voices or instruments, players or singers rendering this (*piano* ~, 3 stringed instruments with piano); set of four. [F (-te), f. It. *quartetto* (*quarto* fourth f. L *quartus*) -ET¹]

quar'tō (-ōr-), n. (also written 4to, 4^o; pl. ~s). Size given by folding sheet of paper twice; book consisting of sheets so folded; ~ *paper*, so folded. [L (in) *quarto* (in) fourth (of sheet); abl. of *quartus* fourth]

|| **quar'tus** (-ōr-). See PRIMUS¹.

quartz (-ōr-), n. Kinds of mineral, massive or crystallizing in hexagonal prisms, consisting in pure form of silica or silicon dioxide, & occas. containing gold. [f. G *quarz* etym. dub.]

quash (kwāsh), v.t. Annul, make void, reject as not valid, put an end to, (esp. by legal procedure or authority). [f. OF *quasser* (now *causer*) f. L *quassar* frequent. of *quater* shake]

Qua'shee (kwō-), n. Negro (as national nickname). [f. Ashantee or Fantee *Kwasi* common personal name]

quā's¹, conj. & pref. 1. (Introducing etymological explanation, abbr. *qu.*) that is to say, as if it were, (*Earls of Wilbraham, ~ Wild boar ham*). 2. (Hyphenated esp. to noun or adj.) seeming(ly), not real(ly), practical(ly), half-, almost, (*engaged to a*

~ girl; the ~*art of making enemies*; has a ~*episcopal position*). [L, =as if]

quā's'sia (or -āsh'a, -ōsh'a), n. S.-Amer., esp. Surinam, tree; (wood, bark, or root of this & other trees, yielding) bitter medicinal decoction. [f. name of negro (cf. QUASHEE) who discovered its virtues 1761]

quāt'er-cēntēn'ar'y, n. Four-hundredth anniversary. [L *quater* four times]

quāt'ern'ar'y, a. & n. 1. Having four parts, esp. compounded of four chemical elements or radicals; concerned with the number four; (Geol.) belonging to most recent period, subsequent to Tertiary. 2. n. Set of four things; the number four; the *Pythagorean* ~, 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10, with mystic significance in Pythagoreanism. [f. L *quaternarius* (*quaterni* distrib. of *quatuor* four, -ARY¹)]

quāt'ern'ion, n. Set of four; quire of four sheets folded in two; Pythagorean quaternary, mystic number 4 or 10 (see prec.); (Math.) quotient of two vectors or operator that changes one vector into another (named as depending on four geometrical elements), (pl.) form of calculus of vectors in which this operator is used. [f. LL *quaternio* (prec.)]

quāt'ern'it'y, n. Being four; set of four persons (esp. of the Godhead in contrast to *Trinity*). [f. LL *quaternitas*]

quatorzain (kāt'errān), n. Fourteen-line poem, irregular sonnet. [f. F *quatorzaine* (*quatorze* fourteen f. L *quatuordecim*)]

quatrain (kwōt'rīn), n. Stanza of four lines occas. with alternate rhymes. [F (*quatre* four f. L *quatuor*)]

quatre (kāt'er), n. = CATER¹.

quat'refoil (kātre-, kāter-), n. Four-cusped figure, esp. as opening in architectural tracery, resembling symmetrical four-lobed leaf or flower. [f. OF *quatre* (QUATRAIN), FOIL¹]

quattrocēn'tist (-ahrōch-), n. & a. (Artist etc.) of the quattrociento. [-IST]

quattrocēn'tō (-ahrōch-), n. Fifteenth century as period in Italian art. [It., lit. 400, but used = 1400]

quāv'er¹, v.i. & t. Vibrate, shake, tremble, (esp. of voice or musical sound); use trills in singing; sing (note, song) with trills, say (usu. out) in trembling tones. Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. obs. *quave* cogn. w. QUAKE, QUIVER², + -ER¹]

quāv'er², n. Trill in singing; tremulousness in speech, whence ~y¹ a.; || (Mus.) note equal in length to half crotchet. [f. prec.]

quay (kē), n. Solid stationary artificial landing-place usu. of stone or iron lying alongside or projecting into water for (un)loading ships. Hence ~AGE¹ (1, 4) (kē'j) n. [earlier & OF *kay*, cf. Sp. *cayo* shoal, W. *caw* hedge, w. *assim.* to F *quai*]; **quēan**, n. (arch.). Impudent or ill-behaved girl, jade, hussy. [OE *cūene* woman, cf.

Du. *kwæn* barren cow; cogn. w. Gk *gund* woman & w. QUEEN]

queas' /y/ (-z), a. (Of food) unsettling the stomach, causing or tending to sickness, fulsome; (of person, his stomach, or his conscience) easily upset, weak of digestion, over scrupulous or tender or delicate, in fastidious condition. Hence ~INESS n. [earlier *cotey*; etym. dub.; cf. OF *coister* hurt]

quebra'chō (kābrah-), n. (Kinds of) American tree yielding very hard timber and medicinal bark; bark of this tree. [Sp., =axe-breaker]

queen', n. 1. King's wife (also ~ *consort* for distinction from next sense; ~ *dowager*, wife of late king; ~ *mother*, ~ *dowager* who is mother of sovereign, & see next sense; also prefixed as title, as Q~ *Elizabeth*). 2. Female sovereign of kingdom (~ *mother*, ~ having child or children; also prefixed as title, as Q~ *Victoria*; Q~ *Anne* is dead, retort to stale news; Q~ *Anne's* BOUNTY; Q~ *Anne*, in the architectural or decorative style of Q~ *Anne's* time; Q~ of Scots, Mary Stuart). 3. Adored female, e.g. the Virgin Mary (Q~ of grace etc.); ancient goddess (Q~ of heaven, Juno, of love, Venus, of night, Diana, etc.); person's sweetheart or wife or mistress; majestic woman; belle, mock sovereign, on some occasion (Q~ of the MAY etc.). 4. Personified best example of anything that can be regarded as fem. (the ~ of *watering-places*, *roses*, *nurses*). 5. Person, country, etc., regarded as ruling over some sphere (~ of *hearts*, any beautiful woman; ~ of the *Adriatic*, Venice; ~ of the *seas*, Gt Britain; ~ of the *meadows*, meadowsweet). 6. (Also ~ *bee*, *wasp*, and) perfect female of bee etc. 7. Piece in chess (~'s *bishop*, *knight*, *pawn*, etc., those placed nearest ~ at start; ~'s GAMBIT). 8. One of court-cards in each suit. 9. ~ *cake*, small soft currant cake often heart-shaped; ~ *posts*, two upright timbers between tie-beam & principal rafters of roof-truss; || Q~'s BENCH, BOUNTY; || Q~'s COLOUR¹, COUNSEL¹, ENGLISH¹, EVIDENCE, HEAD¹; ~'s *pin-cushion*, flower of guelder rose; || ~'s SEWING; ~ *stitch*, fancy stitch in embroidery; ~'s *ware*, cream-coloured Wedgwood; || ~'s *weather*, sunshine. Hence ~DOM, ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn., ~LESS, ~LIKE, aa. [OE *cwēn*, cf. ON *kwæn*; cogn. w. QURAN]

queen', v.t. & i. Make (woman) queen; ~ *it*, play the queen; (Chess) advance (pawn) to opponent's end of board & have it converted to queen or other piece, (latr., of pawn) be converted thus. [f. prec.]

queen'ing, n. Kind of apple. [-IN¹]
queen'ly, a. Fit for, appropriate to, queen; majestic, queenlike. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

Queens'berry (-z), n. ~ *Rules*, standard rules of boxing drawn up by 8th Marquis of ~ in 1867.

queer, a., & v.t. 1. Strange, odd, eccentric; of questionable character, shady, suspect; out of sorts, giddy, faint, (esp. feel ~); || (sl.) drunk; in Q~ *street* (sl.), in a difficulty, in debt or trouble or disrepute; hence ~ISH¹ a., ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. 2. v.t. (sl.). Spoil, put out of order, (|| esp. ~ *the pitch* for one, spoil his chance beforehand by secret dealings); make feel ~. [perh. f. G *quer* crosswise]

quell, v.t. (poet. & rhet.). Suppress, forcibly put an end to, crush, overcome, reduce to submission, (fear, opposition, rebellion, rebels, etc.). Hence (-)~ER¹ n. [OE *cwellan*, cf. G *quälen*]

quench, v.t. Extinguish (fire, light, eye-sight; chiefly poet. or rhet.); ~ *smoking* *flax*, cut short promising development (see *Is. xlii. 3*); cool, esp. with water (heat, heated thing; poet. or rhet.); stifle, suppress, (desire, speed, motion; poet. or rhet.); slake (thirst); (sl.) reduce to silence, shut up, (opponent); cool (hot metal) in water. Hence ~ABLE, ~LESS, aa. [cf. Fris. *kwinka*]

quēn'cher, n. In vbl senses; esp. (sl.) something to drink (usu. a modest ~). [-ER¹]

quen'le' (ke-), n. Seasoned ball of fish or meat reduced to paste. [F, etym. dub.]

quer'ist, n. Person who asks question. [f. L *querere* ask, -IST]

quērn, n. Hand-mill for grinding corn; small hand-mill for pepper etc.; ~stone, millstone. [OE *cweorn*, cf. Du. *kwærn*, Da. *kwærn*]

quer'ulous (-rōō-), a. Complaining, peevish. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *querulosus* (L *querulus*, f. *queri* complain, -OSE¹)]

quer'y, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Used abs. to introduce question; abbr. *qu.*) pray, one would like to know, (Q~, or *qu.*, was the money ever paid?). 2. A question, esp. of the nature of objection (was prepared to suppress all queries); mark of interrogation or the word ~ or *qu.* written against statement, or the word ~ interjected in speech, to question accuracy. 3. vb. Ask, inquire, (whether, if, etc.); put a question; call (thing) in question in speech or writing, question accuracy of. [anglicized form of QUARE]

quest', n. 1. || Official inquiry or jury etc. making it (now only in vulg. *crowners' ~*, coroner's inquest). 2. Seeking or thing sought by inquiry or search, esp. object of medieval knight's pursuit (*in ~ of*, seeking). [f. OF *queste* f. pop. L p.p. of *querere* seek]

quest', v.i. & t. (Of dogs etc.) search for game (often about); go (about) in search of something; (poet.) search for, seek out. [f. OF *quester* (prec.)]

ques'tion¹ (-chon), *n.* 1. Sentence adapted by order of words, use of interrogative pronoun or stop, or other means, to elicit answer, interrogative sentence, (*put a ~ to one, ask him something; ~ & answer, alternation of ~s & answers, catechetic procedure; LEADING², **RHETORICAL**, ~; *indirect, oblique*, ~, made into dependent clause; ~ *mark or -stop, mark of interrogation*). 2. (Raising of) doubt about or objection to thing's truth, credibility, advisability, etc. (*allowed it without ~; beyond all or beyond, out of, past, without*, ~, certainly, undoubtedly; *call in ~, raise objections to; make no ~ of fact etc., but that it is so etc.*, admit it; *there is no ~ but that . . .*), whence ~**LESS** (-cho-) *adv.* & *a.* 3. Problem requiring solution, matter or concern depending on conditions of, (**EASTERN** ~; *a difficult ~; BEG the ~; success is merely a ~ of time, will certainly come, but may come sooner or later; it is only a ~ of putting enough coffee in*). 4. Subject being discussed or for discussion, thing to be voted on, (*the person in ~, that we are referring to; come into ~, be discussed, become of practical importance; that is not the ~, is irrelevant; the ~ is, introducing or recalling exact matter of debate; Q~! in public assemblies, used to recall speaker from digression; the PREVIOUS ~; out of the ~, too impracticable to be worth discussing; put the ~, require supporters & opponents of proposal to record their votes, divide meeting etc.; OPEN ~*). 5. (arch.). Torture to elicit confession (*was put to the ~*). [OF *f. L. quæstionem (quaerere seek, -TION)*]*

ques'tion² (-chon), *v.t.* Ask questions of, interrogate, subject to examination, (person); seek information from study of (phenomena, facts); call in question, throw doubt upon, raise objections to, (~ *the honesty, accuracy, fitness, etc., of; it cannot be ~ed but that or but, it is certain that*), whence ~**ABLE** *a.* (esp., doubtfully true, not clearly consistent with honesty or honour or wisdom), ~**ABLY**² *adv.*, (-cho-). Hence ~**INGLY**² (-cho-) *adv.* [*f. OF questionner (proc.)*]

questionnaire¹ (kê-, kwê-), **ques'tionary** (rare; -cho-), *n.* Formulated series of questions, an interrogatory. [(*-aire f.*) *mod. L. questionnaire*, see **QUESTION**, -ARY¹]

quet'zal, *n.* Beautiful Central-Amer. bird. [Sp., *f. Aztec quetzalli* the bird's tail-feather]

queue (kü), *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Hanging plaited tail of hair or wig, pigtail; line of persons, vehicles, etc., awaiting their turn to be attended to or proceed. 2. *vb.* Dress (hair) in ~; (of persons etc.) form up in, join on to, a ~. [*f. L. cauda tail*]

quib'ble, *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. Play on words, pun; equivocation, evasion, unsub-

stantial or purely verbal argument etc. esp. one depending on ambiguity of word. 2. *v.i.* Use ~; hence **quibb'ler**¹ *n.*, **quibb'ling**² *a.* [perh. dim. of obs. *quib f. L. quibus* abl. pl. of *qui* who (familiar *f. use in legal documents*)]

quick, *a.*, *n.*, & *adv.* 1. Living, alive, (arch.; esp. *the ~ & the dead, go down ~ into hell; ~ with child, orig. with ~ child, at stage of pregnancy when motion has been felt*). 2. Vigorous, lively, ready, sensitive, prompt to act, perceive, be affected, learn, think, or invent, (*a ~ child, intelligent; ~ temper, easily irritated, whence ~tempered² *a.*; ~ *sight, acute or alert, whence ~sighted² *a.*; *has a ~ eye, ear, etc., whence ~eyed², ~ *hearted², *as.*; *is ~ to take offence; has ~ wits, is ready at grasping situation, making repartees, etc., whence ~witted² *a.*; N.B. these compounds have ~ stressed when attrib., unstressed when pred.). 3. Moving rapidly, rapid, swift, done in short time or with little interval, (~ *succession; at a ~ trot; a ~ way of doing it; his ~ growth; a ~ one, a ~ drink; be ~, make haste; did a ~ mile; was followed by ~ vengeance*), whence ~**LY**² *adv.* 4. ~*change*, (of actor etc.) ~ly changing costume or appearance to play another part; ~**LIME**²; ~ *march* (Mil.), march in ~ time (see below; esp. as word of command for starting at usual pace); ~*sand*, (bed of) loose wet sand readily swallowing up ships, animals, etc.; ~*set*, (adj., of hedge) formed of living plants esp. hawthorn, (*n.*) live slips of plants esp. hawthorn set in ground to grow, hedge formed of these; ~*silver*, (*n.*) mercury, (fig.) mobility of temperament or mood, (*v.t.*) coat (mirror-glass) with amalgam of tin; ~ *step*, step used in ~ time (Mil.), rate of marching reckoned at 128 paces of 33 in. to the minute or four miles an hour, the usual British-army rate; ~*step* (Dancing), a fast foxtrot. 5. *n.* Tender or sensitive flesh below skin or esp. nails, tender part of wound or sore where healthy tissue begins, seat of feeling or emotion, (*bites his nails to the ~; probed it to the ~; the insult stung him to the ~; is a Tory to the ~, through & through*); ~=*set* *a.* & *n.* 6. *adv.* (~*er, ~est*, always after *vb.*) At rapid rate, in comparatively short time, (*ran as ~ as I could; who will be there ~est?*); (ellipt. for *imperat. of go, come, be, ~ make haste; ~ (prefixed to partt. esp. in -ing) ~ly, soon, (~ fading, ~forgotten, etc.; ~firing gun, or ~fir² *er*² *n.*, gun with special mechanism for firing shots in ~ succession). [Aryan; OE *cwicu*, cf. Du. *cwik*, G *keck* pert, Skr. *fid*, *L. vivus*, Gk *bios* life]******

quick'en, *v.t.* & *i.* Give or restore natural or spiritual life or vigour to, animate, stimulate, rouse, inspire, kindle, whence ~**ING**² *a.*; receive, come to, life; (of

woman or embryo) reach **QUICK** stage in pregnancy; accelerate, make or (of pace, motion, etc.) become quicker. [-EN²]
quick'ie, n. (colloq.). Cheap film made to satisfy the Films Quota Act. [QUICK, -Y²]
quick'ness, n. Readiness or acuteness of perception or apprehension; speed, rapidity, suddenness, (rare; esp. of single gesture or motion); hastiness of temper. [-NESS]

quicquid' quē vult, n. *The~*, the Athanasian creed. [Initial L wds, =whosoever will]
 || **quid'**, n. (sl.; pl. ~). A sovereign, \$1, (at two ~ a week). [†]

quid', n. Lump of tobacco held in mouth & chewed. [var. of CUD]

quidd'ity, n. Essence of a thing, what makes a thing what it is; quibble, capacious subtlety. (f. med. L *quidditas* (L *quid* what, -ITY))

quid'nunc, n. Newsmonger, person given to gossip. [f. L *quid* what, *nunc* now]

quid prō quō, n. Blunder made by using or putting one thing for another (now rare); compensation, return made, consideration, (must get, must find him, a ~). [f. L *quid* something *pro* for *quo* something]

quies'cent, a. Motionless, inert, silent, dormant. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *quiescere* (*quies* QUIET¹, -ESCENT)]

qui'et', n. Undisturbed political condition, public tranquillity; silence, stillness; being free from disturbance or agitation or urgent tasks, rest, repose, peace of mind; unruffled deportment, calm. [f. L *quies* -*etis*]

qui'et', a. (~cr, ~est). With no or slight or gentle sound or motion; of gentle or inactive disposition; (of colour, dress, etc.) unobtrusive, not showy; not overt, private, disguised, (~ resentment; had a ~ dig at him; esp. on the ~, or sl. abbr. on the q.t., secretly); undisturbed, not interfered with or interrupted, free or far from strife or uproar; informal (a ~ dinner-party); enjoyed in quiet, tranquil, not anxious or remorseful. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, qui'ETUDE, nn. [f. L *quietus* p.p. (QUIESCENT)]

qui'et', v.t. & i. Reduce to quietness, soothe, calm; become quiet (rare; usu. ~ down). [f. med. L *quietare* (prec.)]

qui'eten, v.t. & i. =prec. (vulg.). [-EN⁴]

qui'etism, n. Passive attitude towards life with devotional contemplation & abandonment of the will as form of religious mysticism, non-resistance principles. So ~ISM(2) n. & a., ~is'tic a. [f. It. *quietismo* (QUIET², -ISM)]

quie'tus, n. Acquittance, receipt, given on payment of account etc. (now rare); release from life, death, extinction, final riddance, (got, gave him, his ~). [f. med. L *quietus* (est he is) quit (QUIET²) used as receipt form]

|| **quill**, n. Curl plastered down on the

forehead, formerly affected particularly by soldiers. [etym. dub., cf. COIF]

quill', n. Hollow stem of feather, (also ~feather) whole large feather of wing or tail; pen (also ~pen), plectrum, fishing-float, or toothpick, made of this; one of porcupine's spines; bobbin of hollow reed, any bobbin; musical pipe made of hollow stem; curled-up piece of cinnamon or cinchona bark; ~coverts, feathers covering base of ~feathers; ~driver, clerk or journalist or author. [etym. dub.; cf. LG *quiele*, G *kiel*]

quill', v.t. & i. Form into quill-like folds, goffer, whence ~ING¹(2) n.; wind thrp or yarn on bobbin. [f. prec.]

|| **quill'et**, n. (arch.). Quibble, nice distinction. [perh. abbr. of obs. *quillity* corrupt. of QUIDDITY]

quilt, n., & v.t. 1. Bed-coverlet made of padding enclosed between two layers of linen etc. & kept in place by cross lines of stitching; any coverlet or counterpane (PATCH-work ~). 2. v.t. Cover with padded material; make or join together after the manner of a ~; sew up (coin, letters, etc.) between two layers of garment etc.; || compile (literary work) out of extracts or borrowed ideas; (sl.) thrash. Hence ~ING¹(1, 3) n. [f. OF *cuilte* f. L *culcita* cushion]

quin'ary, a. Of the number five; consisting of five things. [f. L *quinarius* (*quinti* distrib. of *quinque* five, -ARY¹)]

quin'ate, a. (bot.). (Of leaf) composed of five leaflets. [f. L *quini* (prec.), -ATE²]

quince, n. Hard acid yellowish pear-shaped fruit used as preserve or as flavouring, tree bearing it. [orig. pl. of obs. *quine*, *coym*, f. OF *coquin* f. L *cotoneum* var. of *cydonium* neut. of *Cydonius* of Cydonia in Crete]

quincēntēn'ary, irreg. for **quing-**.

quinc'ūnx, n. (Arrangement of) five objects set so that four are at corners of square or rectangle & the other at its centre (e.g. the five on dice or cards; *plantation is laid out in ~es*, in the diagonal cross lines given by combining ~es). So **quincūnc'ial** (-shl) a., **quincūnc'ialLY** (-sha-) adv. [L, =5/12 (*quinq'ue* five, *uncia* OUNCE), also ~ pattern]

quingēntēn'ary (-j-; or -jēn'te-), a. & n. Of, in, 500th year; (n.) 500th anniversary. [f. L *quingenti* 500 after CENTENARY]

quin'ia, n. (med.). =QUININE. [f. Sp. *quina* f. Peruv. *kina* bark]

quinine' (-ēn, -in), n. Alkaloid found esp. in cinchona bark & used as febrifuge, tonic, & antiperiodic; (pop.) sulphate of ~, the usu. form in which ~ is taken. So **quin'ize**(4) v.t., **quin'ism**(5) n. [as prec., -INE¹]

quinquagēnār'ian, a. & n. (Person) fifty years old. [f. L *quinquagenarius* (*quingēnti* distrib. of *quingenta* fifty, -ARY¹), -AN]

quinquagén'arý (or -kwáj'e-), a. & n. = prec. a. & n.; fiftieth anniversary. [prec.]

Quinquagès'ima, n. (Also ~ *Sunday*) Sunday before Lent. [f. med. L ~ (*dies*) lit. 50th (day), so called either as 50th day before Easter by incl. reckoning, or loosely (cf. *seagesima*, *sepuagesima*) as before QUADRAGESIMA]

quinqu(e)-, comb. form of L *quinque* five, in some wds taken f. L, & in many mod., esp. bot. & zool., formations. So ~ **ang'ular** (-ngg-) five-angled; ~ **écós'táte** five-ribbed; ~ **én'n'iad**, ~ **én'n'ium** (pl. -a), five-year period; ~ **én'n'ial** five-year-long, five-yearly, whence ~ **én'n'ialry** adv.; ~ **élát'eral** a. & n., five-sided (figure or object); ~ **élób'áte** five-lobed; ~ **épárt'ite** divided into, consisting of, five parts; **quinqu'érème** ancient galley with five banks of oars; ~ **évál'vular** five-valved; **quinqu'uid** cleft in five; ~ **iv'alent** capable of combining with five univalent atoms.

quinqui'na (kinkét, kwinkwi?), n. (Kinds of tree producing) Peruvian bark yielding quinine & other febrifuge alkaloids. [f. Peruv. *kinkina* redupl. form as QUINIA]

quins (-z), n. pl. (colloq.). Pl've children at a birth. [short for QUINTUPLETS]

quin's'y (-z-), n. Inflammation of throat, suppuration of tonsils. Hence ~ **ien's** (-id) a. [f. med. L *quinancia* f. Gk *kunagkhē* (*kun-* dog, *agkhō* throttle)]

quint (in sense 2 usu. kint), n. 1. Musical interval of fifth; organ-stop of tone one-fifth above normal. 2. (Piquet) sequence of five of same suit (~ *major*, of ace to ten; ~ *minor*, of knave to seven). [f. F *quinte* f. L fem. of *quintus* fifth]

quintain (-tin), n. (hist.). (Medieval military exercise of tilting at) post set up as mark & often provided with sandbag to swing round & strike unskilful tilter. [f. OF *quintaine* perh. f. L *quintana* (*quintus* fifth) camp market]

quint'al, kin-, n. 100 lb.; 112 lb. or hundredweight; 100 kilograms. [OF, f. Arab. *qin(ar)*]

quint'an, a. & n. (Ague or fever) with paroxysm every fourth (by incl. reckoning fifth) day. [f. L (*febris*) *quintana* (*quintus* fifth, -AN) fifth-day (fever)]

quinte (Fehnt), n. Fifth fencing thrust or parry. [as QUINT]

quintess'ence, n. 1. (Ancient Philos.) fifth substance, apart from four elements, composing the heavenly bodies entirely & latent in all things. 2. Most essential part of any substance, refined extract; purest & most perfect form, manifestation, or embodiment, of some quality or class. Hence **quintessén'tial** (-shl) a. [f. med. L *quinta essentia*]

quinté'te'), n. (Performers of) piece for five voices or instruments (*piano, clarinet*, etc. ~, four stringed instruments plus

instrument named); set of five. [F (-te), f. It. *quintetto* (*quinto* fifth f. L *quintus*)]

quintill'ion (-lyon), n. || Fifth power of million (1 with 30 ciphers); (U.S. & France) cube of million (1 with 18 ciphers). [L *quintus* fifth, *BILLION*]

quin'tuple, a., n., & v.t. & i., ~ly, adv., ~lét, n., **quintup'licate** (-at), a. & n., (-ét), v.t., **quintuplica'tion**, n. Fivefold etc. (for detailed senses see **QUADRUPLE** & wds in *quadrupl-*, substituting *five* for *four*). [-uple F, f. L *quintus* fifth, after **QUADRUPLE**]

|| **quin'tus**. See **PRIMUS**¹.

quip, n., & v.i. (-pp-). Sarcastic remark, clever hit, smart saying, verbal conceit; equivocation, quibble; (v.i.) make ~s. [var. of obs. *quippy* perh. f. L *quippe* forsooth]

quipu (ké'pō, kwē-), n. Ancient-Peruvian substitute for writing by variously knotting threads of various colours. [Peruv., =knot]

quife¹, n. Four sheets of paper etc. folded to form eight leaves as in medieval MSS.; any collection of leaves one within another in MS. or book (in ~s, unbound, in sheets); 24 sheets of writing-paper. [f. OF *quar*, now *cahier* (L *quaterni* see **QUATERNARY**)]

quife², n., & v.t. & i. See **CHOIR**.

Qui'rinal, n. (Used for) the Italian Government or Court (esp. as opp. **VATICAN**, [name of palace])

quifk, n. Quibble, quip; trick of action or behaviour; twist or flourish in drawing or writing; (Archit.) acute hollow between convex part of moulding & soffit or fillet. [etym. dub.; from 16th c.]

***quift**, n., & v.t. Short-handled riding-whip with braided leather lash; (v.t.) lash with this. [prob. f. Sp. *cuerda* cord]

quis'ling (-z-), n. Person co-operating with an enemy who has occupied his country, (pop.) traitor. Hence ~ **ite**¹ a. & n. [f. Q~, renegade Norwegian Army officer]

quit¹, pred. a. Free, clear, absolved, (arch.; *the others can go ~*; *was ~ for a ducking*, got off with that); rid of (*glad to be ~ of the trouble*); ~ **claim**, (n.) renunciation of right, (v.t.) renounce claim to, give up (thing) to; ~ **rent**, (usu. small) rent paid by freeholder or copyholder in lieu of service. [f. OF *quit(t)e* f. L *quietus* QUIET²]

quit², v.t. (~ *ted*, rarely ~ exc. U.S.). 1. Rid oneself of (arch.). 2. (refl.). (Usu. w. archaic refl. pron. without *self*) behave, acquit, conduct, oneself well etc. (esp. ~ *you like men*; arch.). 3. Give up, let go, abandon, (~ *hold of*, loose; ~ *office* etc.); *cease, stop, as ~ *grumbling*. 4. Depart from, leave, (place, person, etc.); ~ *ted Paris at midnight*; ~ *ted him in anger*; (abs., of tenant) leave occupied premises (esp. *give, have, etc., notice to ~*). 5.

(poet.). Requite, repay, clear off, (~ love with hate; death ~s all scores). Hence *~t'ER¹ n., one who deserts his job or his post, shirker, poltroon. [f. OF *quilt*(her) QUIET¹]

quid tām, n. (legal). (Action brought by) informer. [L. = who as well (for the King as for himself sees)]

quitch, n. (Also ~-grass) COUCH³-grass. [OE *cvice*, cf. Du. *kweek*, G *quicke*]

quite, adv. Completely, wholly, entirely, altogether, to the utmost extent, nothing short of, in the fullest sense, positively, absolutely, (~ covers it; was ~ by myself; ~ other, very different; ~ another, a very different; is ~ a hero, disappointment, good thing; I ~ like him; is ~ too delightful, colloq., i.e. to be done justice to in words; is ~ the thing, fashionable; not ~ proper, rather improper); || (ellipt., colloq.) he, she, isn't ~, he, she, isn't ~ a gentleman, lady; ~ so (& imp. ~), I grant the truth of that. [f. obs. *quite* a. = QUIT¹]

quits, pred. a. On even terms by retaliation or repayment (will be ~ with him yet, will have revenge; now we are ~; cry ~, acknowledge that things are now even, agree not to proceed further in quarrel etc.; DOUBLE² or ~). [perh. abbr. of med. L *quittus*=*quietus* QUIT¹; or = QUIT¹ |-ES]

quittance, n. (arch., poet.). Release from something; acknowledgement of payment, receipt, (omittance is no ~, debt is not annulled by not being pressed); requital. [f. OF *quittance* (*quiter* QUIT²)]

quiver¹, n. Case for holding arrows (have an arrow, shaft, left in one's ~, not be resourceless; ~ full of children, large family, see *Ps.* cxxvii. 5). Hence ~FUL(2) n. [f. OF *quivre* f. Teut. (OE *cocer*, cf. G *köcher*)]

quiver², v.i. & t., & n. 1. Tremble or vibrate with slight rapid motion (of person, leaf, wing, voice, light, etc.; with emotion, in the wind etc.); of birds, esp. skylark make (wings) ~; hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. ~ing motion or sound. [prob. imit.; cf. QUAVEN]

qui vive (kēvōv'). On the ~, on the alert, watching for something to happen. [F. =lit. (long) live who?, i.e. on whose side are you?, as sentry's challenge]

Quixote, n. Enthusiastic visionary, pursuer of lofty but impracticable ideals, person utterly regardless of his material interests in comparison with honour or devotion. Hence QUIXOT'IC a. (*quixotics* n. pl., quixotic sentiments), QUIXOT'ICALLY adv., QUIX'OTISM(2), QUIX'OTRY(4), nn., QUIX'OTIZE(2, 3) v.t. & i. [hero of Cervantes's *Don ~*]

quizz, n., & v.t. (-zz-). 1. || Odd or eccentric person, person of ridiculous appearance, (now rare); person given to ~ing; (orig. U.S.) interrogation, questionnaire, examination; hoax, ridicule, thing done to expose or burlesque another's oddities,

(now rare); hence ~z'ICAL a., ~z'ICALLY² adv. 2. v.t. Make sport of (person or his ways), whence ~z'ABLE a.; regard with mocking air; look curiously at, observe the ways or oddities of, survey through an eye-glass or (now rare) ~ing-glass; *examine by questioning; hence ~z'ing-LY² adv. [f.]

quod'd, prep. As regards; ~ hoc, in this respect, so far as this goes. [L. (*quo* whither, *ad* to)]

quod'd, n., & v.t. (sl.; -dd-). Prison (*in*, *out of*, ~); (v.t.) imprison. [f.]

quod'd, neut. of L *qui* which (~ *é'rat démonstrān'dum* abbr. Q.E.D., ~ *é'rat faciēn'dum* (-sh-) abbr. Q.E.F., ~ *é'rat invēniēn'dum* abbr. Q.E.I., which was the thing to be proved, made or done, found; formulae in geometrical demonstrations, & esp. Q.E.D., in gen. use; ~ vid'e, abbr. *q.v.*, which see, in cross & other references).

quoins (koin), n., & v.t. 1. External angle of building; stone or brick forming angle, corner-stone, whence ~ING¹(3)n.; internal corner of room; wedge for locking type in forme, raising level of gum, keeping barrel from rolling, etc. 2. v.t. Secure or raise with ~s. [var. of COIN]

quoit (kolt, kwolt), n., & v.t. & i. Heavy flatish sharp-edged iron ring thrown to encircle iron peg or to stick in ground near it in game of ~s; (vb; rare) fling like ~, play ~s. [f.]

quon'dām, a. That once had but no longer has the specified character, sometime, former, (a ~ friend of mine). [L. =formerly]

quorum, n. Fixed number of members that must be present to make proceedings of assembly or society or board valid. [L. =of whom (we will that you etc. be)]

quō'ta, n. Share that individual person or company is bound to contribute to or entitled to receive from a total; ~ QUICKIE. [f. L *quota* (*pars*) how great (a part); fem. of *quotus* how-manyeth (*quot* how many)]

quō'tation, n. (Print.) quadrat used for filling up blanks; quoting, passage quoted; amount stated as current price of stocks or commodities; ~marks, inverted commas & apostrophes, single (') or double (""), used to mark beginning & end of quoted passage. [f. med. L *quotatio* (QUOTE, -ATION)]

quō'tative, a. Of quoting; given to quotation. [foll., -ATIVE]

quote, v.t., & n. 1. Cite or appeal to (author, book) in confirmation of some view, repeat or copy out passage(s) from; repeat or copy out (borrowed passage) usu. with indication that it is borrowed, (abs.) make quotations, (from author, book, speech, etc.); adduce or cite as; state price of (usu. at figure); hence quō't'ABLE, ~WORTHY, aa. 2. n. (colloq.). Passage quoted; (usu. pl.) quotation-

mark(s). [earlier sense *mark with numbers*, f. med. L *quotare* (QUOTA)]

quōth, v.t. 1st & 3rd pers. past indie. (arch.). Said *I, he, she*, & rarely *we* or *they* (placed amidst, after, or before the words quoted; *quōth'a*, arch. for *~ he*, used in quoting contemptuously=forsooth). [past of obs. *quethe*, OE *cwethan* cf. OHG *quedan*]

quotid'ian, a. & n. 1. Daily, of every day, (*~ fever, ague*, recurring every day); commonplace, trivial. 2. n. *~ ague* or *fever*. [f. L *quotidianus* (*quotidie* daily, -AN)]

quō'tient (-shnt), n. Result given by dividing one quantity by another. [erron. f. L *quotiens* how many times, by confusion w. -ENT]

quē warrān'tē (wō-), n. (hist.). Writ formerly issued by the King's Bench Division calling on a person to show by what warrant he held or exercised an office or franchise. [med. L, =by what warrant]

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R (âr), letter (pl. *Rs*, *R's*). *The r months*, those with *r* in their names (Sep.-Ap.) as season for oysters; *the three Rs*, reading, (writing), & (arithmetical, as basis of elementary education).

rābb'ēt, n., & v.t. 1. Step-shaped reduction cut along edge or face or projecting angle of wood etc. usu. to receive edge or tongue of another piece. 2. Elastic beam arranged to give rebound to hammer striking it in ascent. 3. v.t. Join or fix with *~*, make *~ in*. [f. OF *rabat* abatement, recess, (*rabatre* REBATE¹)]

rābb'i, n. Jewish doctor of the law (as form of address by itself or prefixed to name, or as ordinary noun), esp. one authorized by ordination to deal with law & ritual & perform certain functions; *Chief R~*, || ecclesiastical head of British Jewish communities. [L, f. Gk f. Heb. =my master (*rabbi* master + pronom. suf.)]

rābb'in, n. Rabbi (usu. *the ~s*, chief Jewish authorities on law & doctrine, most of them between 2nd & 13th cc.). Hence *~ATE¹*, *~ISM*(3), *~IST*(2, 3), nn., *rabbin'ICAL* a., *rabbin'ICALY* adv. [F (prec.); -n perh. originated as supposed Heb. pl. term]

rābb'it, n., & v.i. 1. Burrowing rodent of hares family, brownish-grey in natural state, also black or white or pied in domestication; || (colloq.) a poor performer at any game (esp. cricket, golf, or lawn tennis); *~hutch*, *~warren*; *WELSH¹ ~*; hence *~Y²* a. 2. v.i. Hunt *~s*. [cf. Walloon *robett*, Flem. *robbe*]

rābb'it, v.t. (vulg.). *Odd ~ it etc.*, form of imprecation. [perh. alteration of -rat in DRAT]

rāb'ble, n. Disorderly crowd, mob; con-

temptible or inferior set of people; *the lower part of the populace*. [etym. dub.; earlier sense *pack* or *string of animals* etc.]

rāb'ble, n. Iron bar with bent end for stirring molten metal. [f. F *rabble* f. L *rudabulum* (*ruere rut-rake up*) fire-shovel]

rāb'blement (-lm-), n. (now rare). (Tumult as of) a rabble. [-MENT]

Rābélais'ian, -aes'ian, (-zyan), a. & n. 1. Of, like, Rabelais or his writings, marked by exuberant imagination & language & coarse humour & satire. 2. n. Admirer or student of Rabelais. [*Rabelais*, French humorist, -IAN]

rāb'id, a. Furious, violent, (*~ hate*); unreasoning, insensate, headstrong, (*~ democrat*); (esp. of dog) affected with rabies, mad; of rabies. Hence *rabid'ity*, *~NESS*, nn., *~LY²* adv. [f. L *rabidus* (*rabere* rave)]

rāb'ies (-z), n. Canine madness, hydrophobia. [L (prec.)]

rāce, n. 1. Onward sweep or movement, esp. strong current in sea or river (*tide set with a strong ~*; *the R~ of Alderney* etc.). 2. Course of sun or moon, course of life, (*ere he had run half his ~*). 3. Channel of stream (esp. in comb., as *mill-~*); channel along which shuttle moves. 4. Contest of speed between runners, ships, horses, etc., or persons doing anything; (pl.) series of these for horses at fixed time on regular course (*SELLING ~*); *~ ball*, dance held in connexion with *~s*; *~card*, programme of *~s*; *~course*, ground for horse-racing; *~horse*, bred or kept for racing; *~meeting*, horse-racing fixture. [f. ON *ras*, cf. OE *ress* swift motion]

rāce¹, v.i. & t. Compete in speed with; indulge in horse-racing (*a racing man*; *the racing world*, the turf); go at full speed, (of propeller, paddle-wheel, etc.) work violently from diminished resistance when out of the water; have race with, try to surpass in speed; cause (horse etc.) to *~* (*~d his bicycle against a motor-car*); make (person, thing) move at full speed (*~d me along at five miles an hour*; *~d the Bill through the House*); fling (fortune etc.) away on horse-racing. [f. prec.]

rāce², n. 1. Group of persons or animals or plants connected by common descent, posterity of (person); house, family, tribe or nation regarded as of common stock; distinct ethnical stock (*the Caucasian, Mongolian*, etc., *~*); genus or species or breed or variety of animals or plants, any great division of living creatures (*the human, feathered, four-footed, finny*, etc., *~*). 2. Descent, kindred, (of noble, Oriental, etc., *~*; *separate in language & ~*). 3. Class of persons etc. with some common feature (*the ~ of poets, dandies*, etc.). [F, f. It. *razza* etym. dub.]

rāce³, n. Root (of ginger). [f. OF *rais* f. L *radicem* nom. -is root]

racéme', n. (bot.). Flower-cluster with the separate flowers attached by short equal stalks at equal distances along central stem. Hence **rá'cémossé'** a. (bot., also anat. of compound glands). [f. *L. racemus* grape-bunch]

rá'cer, n. In vbl senses; esp.: racehorse, yacht, bicycle, etc., used for racing; circular horizontal rail along which the traversing-platform of a heavy gun moves. [-ER¹]

rá'chis, **rhā-**, (-k-), n. (pl. *-ides* pr. *-ēz*). Stem of grasses etc. bearing flower-stalks at short intervals; axis of pinnately compound leaf or frond; vertebral column or cord from which it develops, whence **rá'chi(o)-** (-k-) comb. form; feather-shaft, esp. the part that bears the barbs. [f. Gk *rhakhis* spine; the E pl. *-ides* is irreg.]

racit'is (-k-), n. (Learned form for **RICKETS**. [f. Gk *rhakhitis* (prec., -ITIS)])

rá'cial (-shl), a. Of, in regard to, due to, race. Hence *~ISM* (-sha-) n. tendency to ~ feeling, antagonism between different races of men, *~LY*¹ adv. [RACE², -IAL]

räck', n., & v.i. 1. Driving clouds; (vb; of clouds) drive before wind. 2. Destruction (usu. *go to ~ & ruin*). [with sense 1 cf. Norw. & Sw. dial. *rak* wreckage; sense 2 perh. var. of **WRACK**, **WRECK**]

räck', n., & v.t. & i. 1. Fixed or movable frame of wooden or metal bars for holding fodder; framework with rails, bars, pegs, or shelves, for keeping articles on or in (*plate, hat, tool, pipe, etc., ~*); cogged or indented bar or rail gearing with wheel or pinion or worm, or serving with pegs etc. to adjust position of something; *~ railway*, with cogged rail between bearing rails; *~ wheel*, cog-wheel. 2. vb. Fill up stable-*~* with hay or straw for the night (also trans., *~ up horse*, provide it thus); fasten (horse) *up to ~*; place in or on *~*. [prob. f. MDu. *rec* (Du. *rek*, cf. G *reck*) rail etc. (*recken* stretch)]

räck', v.t., & n. 1. Stretch joints of (person) by pulling esp. with instruments of torture made for the purpose; (of disease or bodily or mental agony) inflict torture on (*a ~ing headache*; *~ed with pain*); shake violently, injure by straining, task severely, (*cough that seemed to ~ his whole body*; *~ one's brains for something to say, a plan, etc.*). 2. Exact utmost possible amount of (rent), oppress (tenants) with excessive rent, exhaust (land) with excessive use; *~rent*, (n.) extortionate rent equal or nearly equal to full value of land, (v.t.) exact this from (tenant) or for (land); *~renter*, tenant paying or landlord exacting *~rent*. 3. n. Instrument of torture, a frame with roller at each end to which victim's wrists & ankles were tied so that his joints were stretched when rollers were turned (*on the ~*, being *~ed*, lit.; or fig. of person in

distress or under strain). [prob. f. MDu. *recken* stretch]

räck', n. Arrack (esp. *~ punch*). [for **ARRACK**]

räck', n., & v.i. 1. Horse's gait between trot & canter, both legs of one side being lifted almost at once, & all four feet being off ground together at moments. 2. v.i. Progress thus. [?]]

räck', v.t. Draw off (wine etc.) from the lees (often off). [f. Pr. *arracar* (*raca* stems & husks of grapes, dregs)]

räck'ët', **räck'quet** (-kít), n. Cat-gutted bat used in tennis, rackets, etc.; (pl.) ball-game for two or four persons played in plain four-walled court with *~s*; snowshoe resembling *~*; *~ball*, small hard-kid-covered ball of cork & string; *~pressed*, for keeping *~s* taut & in shape; *~tail*, kinds of small bird with *~*-shaped tail. [f. F *raquette* etym. dub.]

räck'ët', n., & v.i. 1. Disturbance, uproar, din; social excitement, gaiety, dissipation. 2. (sl.). Dodge, game, line of business, lay; (orig. U.S.) scheme for obtaining money, or effecting some other object, by illegal (and often violent) means, no *~er* *ing*¹ n., organized blackmail of traders etc. by intimidation & violence, *~eer'* n., one who practises this. 3. Ordeal, trying experience, (*stand the ~*, come successfully through test, face consequences of action); hence *~r*² a. 4. v.i. Live gay life (often *about*), move about noisily. [prob. imit.]

raconteur (see Ap.), n. (fem. *-euse*). Teller of anecdotes (usu. *good, skilful, etc., ~*). [F]

rac(c)oon', n. Greyish-brown furry bushy-tailed sharp-snouted American nocturnal carnivore. [Algonquin]

rá'c[í], a. Having the qualities that characterize the kind in high degree (esp. *~y flavour*); of distinctive quality or vigour, not smoothed into sameness or commonness, retaining traces of origin (esp. *~y of the soil*, of homely directness, spirited, lively, piquant). Hence *~ily*¹ adv., *~INESS* n. [RACE², -Y¹]

|| **rád**. See **RADICAL** n.

rád'ár, n. System for ascertaining direction & range of aircraft, ships, coasts, and other objects, by means of the electromagnetic waves which they reflect; apparatus used for this. [f. initial letters of radio detection and ranging]

rád'dle, n., & v.t. 1. Red ochre. 2. v.t. Paint with *~*; plaster with rouge. [var. of **RUDDLE**]

rád'ial, a. & n. 1. Of, in, rays; arranged like rays or radii, having position or direction of a radius (*~ axle*, maintaining such direction to curve of track as car etc. travels round it); having spokes or radiating lines, whence *~ized* (-ád) a., *~izá'tion* n.; acting or moving along lines that diverge from a centre; relating

to the radius of the forearm (~ *artery, vein, nerve*); hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. ~ nerve or artery. [RADIUS, RADIUM, -AL]

rād'ian, n. Angle at centre of circle subtended by an arc whose length is equal to the radius. [RADIUS, -AN]

rād'iant, a. & n. 1. Emitting rays of light, (of eyes or looks) beaming with joy or hope or love, (of light) issuing in rays, (of beauty) splendid or dazzling, whence or cogn. **rād'iance**, **rād'iancy** (rare), nn., ~LY² adv.; operating radially (esp. ~ heat); (Bot. etc.) extending radially, radiating; ~ point, from which rays or radii proceed, (Astron.) apparent focal point of meteoric shower. 2. n. Point or object from which light or heat radiates; (Astron.) ~ point. [f. L *radiare* (RADIUS), -ANT]

rād'iate¹, a. Having divergent rays or parts radially arranged. Hence ~LY² adv. [as foll., -ATE²]

rād'iate², v.i. & t. Emit rays of light or heat, (of light or heat) issue in rays; transmit electro-magnetic waves; diverge or spread from central point; emit (light or heat) from centre; disseminate (life, love, joy, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *radiare* (RADIUS), -ATE²]

rād'iator, n. In vbl senses; esp.: small chamber heated with hot air or otherwise & radiating warmth into room etc.; engine-cooling apparatus in motor-car. [-OR²]

rād'ical, a. & n. 1. Of the root(s). 2. Naturally inherent, essential, fundamental, (~ *humour, head*, etc., in medieval philos. & still *loc*, moisture, heat, etc., essential to life; a ~ error; the ~ rottenness of human nature). 3. Forming the basis, primary, (the ~ *idea* or *principles* of a system). 4. Affecting the foundation, going to the root, root-&-branch, (~ *change, cure, reform*); (of politicians) desiring such reforms, || belonging to extreme section of Liberal party, (of measures etc.) advanced by or according to principles of ~ politicians, whence ~ISM(2) n., ~IZE(3) v.t. & i., ~IZATION n. 5. (Math.) of the root of a number or quantity (~ *sign*, ~, ~, ~, etc., indicating that square, cube, fourth, etc. root of number following is to be extracted). 6. (Philol.) of the roots of words (~ *word*, not analysable into root & other known element). 7. (Mus.) belonging to the root of a chord. 8. (Bot.) of, springing direct from, the root or the main stem close to it; hence ~LY² adv. 9. n. (Philol.) root; fundamental principle; (Math.) quantity forming or expressed as root of another, also the ~ sign; (Chem.) element or atom, or group of these, forming base of compound & remaining unaltered during compound's ordinary chemical changes; (Pol.; also colloq. *rad*) person holding ~ views or belonging to ~ party. [f. LL *radicālis* (*radix* -*icis* root, -AL)]

rād'idle, n. Part of plant embryo that develops into primary root; rootlet; (Anat.) rootlike subdivision of nerve or vein; (Chem.) = prec. n. Hence **rād'icular** a. [f. L *radicula* (prec., -ULAE)]

rād'io, n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. & i. (orig. U.S.). 1. Wireless telegraphy or telephony; message so sent; broadcasting; a wireless receiving-set; (attrib.) designed for wireless telephony etc., sent by wireless. 2. vb. Send (message), send message to (person), communicate, broadcast, by ~. [Short for *radiotelegraphy*]

rād'io-, comb. form of L RADIUS & E RADIUM, w. sense of the *radius*, of *rays* or *radiation*, of *radium*, as: ~*corp'al*, of radius & wrist; ~*o-act'ive*, undergoing spontaneous atomic disintegration, usu. with emission of rays & corpuscles capable of penetrating opaque bodies, affecting photographic plates, etc., (of rays) emitted by such bodies & having these properties, so ~*o-act'ivity*; ~*o-bal'ance*, instrument for measuring intensity of heat radiation; ~*ogoniom'eter*, apparatus for finding the direction of ships & aircraft from their wireless signals; ~*ogram*, picture obtained by X-rays, (also) = ~*o-telegram*, (also, in full ~*o-gramophone*) combined wireless receiving-set & gramophone reproducing records through loud speaker; ~*ograph*, instrument recording intensity & duration of sunshine, (also) picture obtained by X-rays, (v.t.) secure such image of, & so ~*og'rapher*, ~*og'raphy*, ~*og'raph'ic(ally)*; ~*o-loc'a'tion*, = RADAR; ~*ol'ogy*, scientific study of X-rays, ~*o-activity*, ~*o-therapy*, etc., so ~*ol'ogist*, ~*olo'gical*; ~*o-m'eter*, instrument illustrating conversion of radiant energy into mechanical force, (also) instrument for measuring intensity of radiation; ~*o-ph'ony*, production of sound by radiant light or heat; ~*o-s'copy*, examination by X-rays; ~*o-tele'gram*, message by wireless telegraphy; ~*o-th'e'rapy*, treatment of disease with X-rays or other forms of radiation, so ~*o-therapeut'ic(s)*.

rād'ish, n. (Cruciferous plant with) fleshy pungent root often eaten raw as relish in salads. [f. F *radis* f. L *radicem* nom. -*ix* root]

rād'ium, n. Radio-active metallic element obtained from pitchblende, widely used in radio-therapy; ~ *emanation*, RADON; ~*therapy*, treatment of disease by the use of ~ or its products. [-IUM]

rād'ius, n. (pl. -i). 1. Thicker & shorter bone of forearm in man, corresponding bone in beast's foreleg or bird's wing. 2. (math.). Straight line from centre to circumference of circle or sphere; radial line from focus to any point of curve (~ *vector*, variable line drawn to curve from fixed point, esp. in Astron. from sun or planet to path of satellite). 3. Any of a set of lines diverging from a point like

radii of circle; object of this kind, e.g. spoke. 4. Circular area as measured by its ~ (knows everyone within a ~ of 20 miles; || the four-mile ~, that of which Charing Cross is centre). 5. (Bot.) outer rim of composite flowerhead, e.g. daisy, also radiating branch of umbel. [L. = staff, spoke, ray]

rād'ix, n. (pl. -ices pr. -isēs). Number or symbol used as basis of numeration scale (ten is the ~ of decimal numeration, & of common logarithms); source or origin of. [L. = root]

rād'ōn, n. Gaseous radio-active element arising from the disintegration of radium (formerly known as niton). [f. RADIUM after argon etc.]

raff, -RAFF-RAFF.

Raffaëlesque. -RAPHAELISQUE.

raff'ia, n. Kind of palm; fibre from its leaves used for tying up plants and making hats, baskets, mats, etc. [Malagasy]

raff'ish, a. Disreputable, dissipated, fast-looking. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ish¹]

raff'le¹, n., & v.t. & f. 1. Sale of article by taking entrance-fee from any number of persons & assigning it by lot to one of them. 2. vb. Enter one's name in ~ for article; sell by ~. [earlier sense kind of dice-game f. F raffle etym. dub.]

raff'le², n. Rubbish, refuse, lumber, debris. [cf. OF *rifle ou raste* anything whatever]

raft (-ah-), n., & v.t. & f. 1. Collection of logs, casks, etc., fastened together in the water for transportation; flat floating structure of timber or other materials for conveying persons or things, esp. as substitute for boat in emergencies; floating accumulation of trees, ice, etc.; ~s'man, worker on ~. 2. vb. Transport as or on ~; form into a ~; cross (water) on ~(s); work ~. [f. ON *raþtr* RAFTER¹]

rafter¹ (-ah-), n. Man who rafts timber. [-er¹]

rafter² (-ah-), n., & v.t. 1. One of the sloping beams forming framework on which slates etc. of roof are upheld. 2. v.t. (Usu. in p.p.) provide with ~s; || plough (land) so that contents of furrow are turned over on same breadth of unploughed ground next it, half-plough. [OE *rafter*, cf. MLG *rafter*, ON *raþtr*]

rag¹, n. 1. Torn or frayed piece of woven material, one of the irregular scraps to which cloth etc. is reduced by wear & tear (in ~s, torn); (pl.) tattered clothes (in ~s, in old clothes); GLAD ~s; (usu. with neg.) smallest scrap of cloth or sail (not a ~ to cover him; spread every ~ of sail); (collect.) ~s used as material for paper, stuffing, etc. 2. Remnant, odd scrap, irregular piece, (flying ~s of cloud; cooked ~s, till it falls to pieces; not a ~ of evidence). 3. (derog.). Flag, handkerchief, curtain, newspaper, etc. 4. Jagged

projection (rare). 5. ~-baby, doll made of ~s; ~-bag, in which scraps of linen etc. are kept for use; ~-bolt, (n.) with barbs to keep it tight when driven in, (v.t.) join together with these; ~ fair, old-clothes sale held in Houndsditch; ~ paper, made of ~s; ~-tag, ~-tag & bob-tail, the rift-raft, ragged or low or disreputable people; ~time, popular music of U.S. negro origin with much syncopation, (attrib.) farical (a ~time army); ~wheel, with projections catching in links of chain that passes over it, sprocket-wheel; ~wort, yellow-flowered ragged-leaved plant. [f. ON *rogg* tuft of fur]

rag², n. Large coarse roofing-slate; || kinds of hard coarse stone breaking up in thick slabs (esp. CORAL~, Kentish, Rowley, ~). [f.]

|| **rag**³, v.t. & f. (-gg-), & n. (sl.). 1. Scold, reprove severely; tease, torment, play rough jokes upon, disarrange (person's room etc.) by way of practical joke; engage in bally-ragging, be noisy & riotous. 2. n. Noisy disorderly scene. [cf. BALLYRAG]

rag'amuffin, n. Ragged dirty fellow. Hence ~LY¹ a. [prob. f. RAG¹ w. fancy termination]

rage¹, n. 1. (Fit of) violent anger; violent operation of some natural force or some sentiment (the ~ of the wind, of faction). 2. Vehement desire or passion for (has a ~ for, or for collecting, first editions); object of widespread temporary enthusiasm or fashion (Mrs Siddons, the open-air cure, was the or all the ~). 3. Poetic or prophetic or martial ardour. [F. f. LL *rabia* f. L *RAHIES*]

rage², v.i. & refl. Rave, storm, speak madly or furiously, (at, against, or abs.), be full of anger; (of wind, sea, passion, feeling, battle, pain, disease, etc.) be violent, be at the height, operate unchecked, prevail, whence **rag'gingly**² adv.; (refl., esp. of storm etc.) ~ itself out, cease raging. [f. F *rager* (prec.)]

ragg'ed (-g-), a. Rough, shaggy, hanging in tufts; of broken jagged outline or surface, full of rough or sharp projections; faulty, imperfect, wanting finish or smoothness or uniformity, (~ rhymes, time in rowing, etc.); rent, torn, frayed, (of persons) in ~ clothes; ~ robin, crimson-flowered wild plant; || ~ school (obs.), free school for poor children. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [RAG¹, -ED²; cf. Norw. *raggel* shaggy]

rag(g)ee (rah'gē), n. A coarse kind of millet, the staple food in parts of India. [Hind. *ragi*]

Rag'lan, n. Overcoat without shoulder seams, the sleeve running up to the neck; also attrib., as ~ sleeve. [f. Lord ~, commander in Crimean war]

ragout' (-ōb), n., & v.t. Meat in small pieces stewed with vegetables & highly

seasoned; (vb) cook thus. [f. F *ragoût* (*ragoûter* revive taste of, see RE-, ROAD¹)
ra'hât lakoum' (rah-h-, -ôdm), n. Kinds of Turkish sweetmeat, esp. *TURKISH delight*. [Turk.]

raid, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Sudden attack made by military party (orig. of mounted men), ship(s), or aircraft; predatory incursion in which surprise & rapidity are usual. relied upon, foray, inroad; sudden descent of police etc. upon suspected premises or illicit goods. 2. vb. Make ~ into etc.; make ~ on (person, place, cattle); hence ~ER¹ n. [Sc. form of OE *rið* GUST³)]

rail¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Horizontal or inclined bar or continuous series of bars of wood or metal used to hang things on, as top of banisters, as part of fence, as protection against contact or falling over, or for similar purpose. 2. Any horizontal piece (cf. *STILE*²) in frame of panelled door. 3. Iron bar or continuous line of bars laid on ground as one side or half of ~way track (off the ~s, disorganized, out of order, not working right; by ~, by ~way); (pl.; St. Exch.) ~way shares. 4. ~chair, iron holder, attached to sleeper, in which railway ~ rests; ~head, farthest point reached by a ~way under construction, (Mil.) point on ~way at which road transport of supplies begins; ~motor, self-propelled ~way coach (also attrib.); ~road, (n.) ~way, (v.t.) rush (person, thing) to, into, through, etc.; ~way, || road laid with ~s for heavy horse-carts, track or set of tracks of iron or steel ~s for passage of trains of cars drawn by locomotive engine & conveying passengers & goods, (also ~way line) the tracks of this kind worked by single company or the whole of the organization & persons required for their working, (attrib. in many phrr., as ~way accident; ~way act, regulating duties & rights of ~way companies; ~way bill, proposal in Parliament esp. for constructing new ~way; ~way bridge, carriage, company, contractor, director, engine, journey, shares; at ~way speed, very quickly; ~way rug, station, stock, system, train, travelling, tunnel), whence ~wayless a., ~way v.i., travel by ~; hence ~LESS a. 5. vb. Furnish or enclose (place) with ~ (often in, off), provide (bench etc.) with ~, whence ~ing¹ [-ING³, 4)] n.; lay ~way route) with ~s; convey (goods), travel, by ~. [f. OF *reille* (L *regula* RULE)]

rail², n. Kinds of bird, esp. LAND¹~, water~. [f. F *râle*, etym. dub.]

rail³, v.i. Use abusive language (usu. at or against, or aboh. upon). Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ing³ [-ING¹(1)] n., ~ing³ [-ING³] a., ~ingLY³ adv. [f. F *railler*, etym. dub.]
rail'ery, n. (Piece of) good-humoured ridicule, rallying. [f. F *raillerie* (prec., -RAY)]

rain'ent, n. (poet. & rhet.). Clothing,

dress, apparel. [f. obs. *arrayment* (AR-RAY¹, -MENT)]

rain¹, n. 1. Condensed moisture of atmosphere falling visibly in separate drops, fall of such drops (~ or shine, whether it rains or not); (pl.) showers of ~, esp. the ~s, rainy season in tropical countries, (Naut.) the R-s, rainy region of Atlantic 4-10° N. lat.; (~like descent of) falling liquid or solid particles or bodies (a ~ of ashes, frogs, pearls, rice, fire; also fig. a ~ of melody, kisses, congratulations). 2. ~bird, kinds of bird, esp. Green Woodpecker; ~box, theatre contrivance imitating sound of ~; ~coat, waterproof; ~doctor, producer of ~ by magic; ~drop, single drop of ~; ~fall, shower, quantity of ~ falling within given area in given time (usu. in inches of depth per annum); ~gauge, instrument measuring ~fall; ~glass, barometer; ~water, collected from ~, not got from wells etc.; ~worm, common earthworm. Hence ~LESS, ~PROOF³, ~TIGHT, aa. [com.-Teut.; OE *regn*, *rén*, cf. Du. & G *regen*]

rain², v.i. & t. It ~s, rain comes down (it ~ed blood, frogs, invitations, tracks, etc., there was a shower of them; it ~s cats & dogs, violently; it never ~s but it pours, events usu. happen several together; it ~s in, rain penetrates house etc.; it has ~ed itself out, rain has ceased); God, the sky, the clouds, ~, send down rain; fall or send down in showers or like rain (flowers ~ed from their hands; tears ~ed down her cheeks; blows ~ upon him; his eyes ~ tears; ~ influence; he ~ed benefits upon us). [OE *regnian* (prec.)]

rain'bow (-ô), n. Arch showing prismatic colours in their order formed in sky (or across cataract etc.) opposite sun by reflection, double refraction, & dispersion of sun's rays in falling drops of rain (lunar ~, similar effect from moon's rays, rarely seen; sea ~, formed on sea spray; secondary ~, additional arch with colours in reverse order formed inside or outside of ~ by double reflection & double refraction; all the colours of the ~, many colours); (attrib.) many-coloured; ~ trout, Californian kind. [OE *rénboga* (RAIN¹, BOW¹)]

rain'y, a. In or on which rain is falling or much rain usually falls (~y weather, climate, day, month, county, etc.; ~y day, fig., time of esp. pecuniary need, as provide against a ~y day); (of clouds, wind, etc.) laden with, bringing, rain. Hence ~ily³ adv., ~INESS n. [-Y³]

raise (-z), v.t. (often followed by up in most senses), & n. 1. Set upright, make stand up, restore to or towards vertical position, rouse, (~d him from his knees; ~ the standard of revolt; ~d pastry, pie, etc., standing without support of dish at sides; ~ one from the dead, restore him to life; ~ the country, city, etc., rouse inhabitants in some emergency, often against or upon

enemy etc.; *the danger ~d his spirits*; ~ *the wind*, fig., procure money for some purpose; ~ *a dust*, lit., & fig. cause turmoil, also obscure the truth). 2. Build up, construct, create, produce, breed, utter, make audible, start, give occasion for, elicit, set up, advance, (~ *palace, large family, bieler, one's own vegetables, storm, shout, hymn, controversy, prejudice, claim, demand, objection, question*; *a deliverer was ~d up*, caused by Providence to appear; ~ *a laugh*, cause others to laugh; *no one ~d his voice*, spoke). 3. Elevate, put or take into higher position, extract from earth, direct upwards, promote to higher rank, make higher or nobler, cause to ascend, make (voice) louder or shriller, (Naut.) come in sight of (land, ship), increase amount of, heighten level of, (~ *one's hat, bow*; ~ *one's glass to*, drink health of; *thousands of tons of coal were ~d*; ~ *one's eyes*, look upwards; ~ *one's eyebrows*, look supercilious or shocked; ~ *d him to the see of York*; *trying to ~ a degraded class*; *undertook to ~ the spirit of King Solomon*, cf. LAY²; ~ *Cain, hell, the devil, the mischief*, etc., make disturbance; *their voices were ~d as in anger*; ~ *income-tax from 8s. 6d. to 10s.*; ~ *cloth*, make nap on it; ~ *bread*, cause it to rise with yeast; ~ *one's reputation*, add to it; *the price of the 4lb. loaf is ~d a penny*; ~ *colour in dyeing*, brighten it). 4. Levy, collect, bring together, procure, manage to get, (~ *tax, loan, subscription, money, army, fleet*). 5. Relinquish, cause enemy to relinquish, (siege, blockade); remove (embargo). 6. p.p. *(vulg.). Brought up, educated. 7. n. Increase in salary, stakes at poker, bid at bridge, etc. [f. ON *reisa*; causative of RISE¹, cf. BAIT¹, RISE¹]

rais'in (-zn), n. Partially dried grape. [f. OF *raisin* f. L as RAISINUM]

raison d'être (see Ap.), n. Purpose etc. that accounts for or justifies or originally caused thing's existence. [F]

rait. See RWT.

raj (raji), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Sovereignty (the *British ~ in India*). [Hind.]

raja(h) (rah'ja), n. Indian king or prince (also as title of petty dignitary or noble in India, or Malay or Javanese chief). Hence **ra'jahs** (rah'ash-) n. [Hind. *rāja* f. Skr. *rājan* king (*rāj* to reign)]

Rajput, -put, (rah'poot), n. Member of Hindu soldier caste claiming descent from Kshatriyas. [Hind. (-ut), f. prec., *putra* son]

rake¹, n. Implement consisting of pole with cross-bar toothed like comb at end for drawing together hay etc. or smoothing loose soil or gravel, wheeled implement drawn by horse for same purpose; kinds of implement resembling ~ used for other purposes, e.g. by croupier drawing in money at gaming-table. [OE *raec*,

cf. Du. *raak*, G *rechen*, (also Goth. *rikan* heap up)]

rake², v.t. & i. Collect, draw together, gather up, pull out, clear off, (as) with rake (~ *out the fire*; ~ *up or together all possible charges*; ~ *off the leaves*); clean or smooth with rake; search (as) with rake, ransack, (*has ~d all history for proofs*); make level, clean, etc., with rake; scratch, scrape; sweep with shot, enfilade, send shot along (ship) from stem to stern, sweep with the eyes, (of window etc.) have commanding view of; use rake, search as with rake (*have been raking among or in or into old records*); *~off (colloq.), commission, rebate, share of profits (usu. in bad sense). [f. ON *raeka* cogn. w. prec.]

rake³, n. Dissipated or immoral man of fashion. [for RAKEHELL]

rake⁴, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of ship or its bow or stern) project at upper part of bow or stern beyond keel; (of masts or funnels) incline from perpendicular towards stern; give backward inclination to (*bicycle's front forks are ~d*). 2. n. Amount to which thing ~s, raking position or build. [f.]

rake'hell (-kh-), n. (arch.). = RAKE³. Hence ~Y² a. (arch.). [RAKE³, HELL]

rak'ish¹, a. (As) of, like, a RAKE². Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

rak'ish², a. (Of ship) smart & fast-looking, seeming built for speed & therefore open to suspicion of piracy. [perh. = prec. with extra association of raking masts (RAKE⁴)]

rāle (rahl), n. (path.). Sound additional to that of respiration heard in auscultation of unhealthy lungs. [F, f. *rāler* to rattle, etym. dub.]

rallentān'dō, mus. direction. Gradually slower. [It.]

|| **rall'icār(t)**, n. Light two-wheeled driving-trap for four. [*Ralli*, first purchaser, 1885]

rall'y¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Reassemble, get together again, (t. & i.; esp. of army or company) after rout or dispersion, (cause to) renew conflict; bring or come together as support or for concentrated action (*rallied his party, his party rallied, round or to him*); revive (faculty etc.) by effort of will, pull oneself together, assume or rouse to fresh energy; throw off prostration or illness or fear, regain health or consciousness, revive. 2. n. Act of ~ing (intr.), reunion for fresh effort; recovery of energy after or in the middle of exhaustion or illness; (in tennis, rackets, etc.) strokes quickly exchanged. [n. f. vb, f. F *rallier* (RE-, ALLY¹)]

rall'y², v.t. Bante, chaff. Hence ~ingLY² adv. [as RAIL¹]

ram¹, n. 1. Uncastrated male sheep, tup. 2. (Ram) zodiacal sign Aries. 3. = RAMM¹. ~ing~, (battleship with) projecting beak at bow for charging side of other ships;

falling weight of pile-driving machine; rammer; hydraulic water-raising or lifting machine; piston of hydrostatic press; plunger of force-pump. 4. ~'s-horn, lit., also scroll ornament imitated from ~'s head & horns. [OE, also Du. & OHG; perh. cogn. w. ON *rammr* strong]

rām', v.t. (-mm-). Beat down (soil etc.) into solidity with wooden block etc., (abs.) use ~mer; make (post, plant, etc.) firm by ~ming soil round it; drive (pile etc.) down, in, into, by heavy blows; force (charge) home, pack (gun) tight, with ~rod; squeeze or force into place by pressure (~med his clothes into a bag, his hat down on his head; had the list ~med into me by repetition; ~ the argument home, lay sufficient stress on it); cram with stuffing etc.; (of ship) strike with ram; dash or violently impel (thing) against, at, on, or into (~med his head against the wall, his horse at a fence); ~'rod, for ~ming home charge of muzzle-loader. Hence ~m'ER' (2) n. [perh. f. prec.]

|| **rām'**, n. (naut.). Boat's length over all. [?]

Rāmādān', n. Ninth month of Moham-medan year, during all daylight hours of which rigid fasting is observed. [Arab. (*ramāḍa* be hot); perh. orig. one of hot months, now passing through all seasons owing to lunar reckoning]

rām'al, a. (bot.). Of, proceeding from, a branch. [f. L *ramus* branch, -AL]

rām'ble, v.i., & n. 1. Walk (v. & n.) for pleasure & without definite route. 2. Wander in discourse, talk or write disconnectedly. [?]

rām'bler, n. In vbl senses; also, kinds of climbing rose, esp. the Crimson R~. [-ER¹]

rām'bling, a. Peripatetic, wandering; disconnected, desultory, incoherent; (of plants) straggling, climbing; (of house, street, etc.) irregularly planned. Hence ~LY² adv. [-ING²]

***rāmbūnc'tious** (-ngkshus), a. (colloq.). = RUMBUSTIOUS (of which it appears to be an alteration).

rāmbut'an (-ōōt-), n. Red fruit of an E.-Indian tree, covered with soft spines and with pleasant sub-acid pulp. [Malay, f. *rambut* hair, in allusion to spines]

rām'ekin, -quin (-kín), n. Small quantity of cheese with bread-crumbs, eggs, etc., baked in small mould. [F' (-quin), etym. dub.]

rām'ie (-mō), n. Fine strong fibre obtained from a Chinese and E.-Indian nettle-like plant, woven into a durable material. [Malay *rāmī*]

rāmificā'tion, n. Ramifying, (arrangement of) tree's branches; subdivision of complex structure comparable to tree's branches (the ~s of a river, society, trade, plot, inquiry, etc.). [foll., -ATION]

rām'ing, v.i. & t. Form branches or sub-

divisions or offshoots, branch out; (usu. pass.) cause to branch out, arrange in branching manner (*railways were ~ied over the country*). [f. F *ramifier* f. med. L *ramificare* (L *ramus* branch, -i-, -FY)]

rāmm'ish, a. Rank-smelling. [RAM¹, -ISH¹]

ramōse', a. Branched, branching. [f. L *ramosus* (*ramus* branch, -OSE¹)]

rāmp', n. Slope, inclined plane joining two levels of ground esp. in fortification, or of wall-coping; difference in level between opposite abutments of rampant arch; upward bend in stair-rail. [f. F *rampe* (foll.)]

rāmp', v.i. & t. 1. (Chiefly of lion) stand on hind-legs with fore-paws in air, assume or be in threatening posture; (now usu. joc.) storm, rage, rush about. 2. (Archit., of wall) ascend or descend to different level; (Archit., Mil.) furnish or build with ramp. [f. OF *ramper* etym. dub.]

|| **rāmp'**, n., & v.i. & t. (sl.). Attempt to extort payment of fictitious debt from bookmaker; (transf.) levying of exorbitant prices, as *the black-market ~ in whiskey*; (vb) engage in, subject (person etc.) to, ~. [?]

rāmpāge', v.i., & n. 1. Behave violently, storm, rage, rush about. 2. n. Violent behaviour (esp. *be on the ~*). Hence ~OUS (-jus) a., ~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n., (-jus-), [vb perh. f. RAMP²]

rāmp'ant, n. (Chiefly of lion, esp. in Her.) ramping (in Her., & in allusive imitations, placed after nouns, as *lion ~*, *the snob ~*); violent or extravagant in action or opinion, arrogant, aggressive, unchecked, prevailing, (*is a ~ theorist*; *popery is ~ among us*); rank, luxuriant, (*a rich soil makes nasturtiums too ~*); (of arch etc.) having one abutment higher than the other, climbing. Hence **rāmp'ANCY** n., ~LY² adv. [F (RAMP², -ANT)]

rāmp'art, n., & v.t. Broad-topped & usu. stone-parapeted defensive mound of earth; (fig.) defence, protection; (vb) fortify or protect (as) with ~. [f. F *rempart* (*remparer* fortify, f. RE-, *emparer* take possession of, f. L *ante* before, *parare* secure)]

rāmp'ion, n. Kind of bell-flower with white tuberous roots used as salad. [cf. F *raiponce*, It. *ramponzolo*, etym. dub.]

|| **rāmp'ife**, n., & v.t. (arch.). = RAMPART. **rām'shackle**, a. Tumbledown, crazy, rickety, (usu. of house or vehicle). (earlier ~ed, perh. p.p. of obs. *ransackie* RAN-SACK)

rām'son (-sn), n. (Root, eaten as relish, of) broad-leaved garlic. (prop. pl. in -en of OE *hramsa*, cf. G *rams*, Gk *kromuon* onion)

rām', n. A certain length of twine. [?]

ran'. See RYN¹.

rance, n. Kind of red marble with blue & white veins & spots. [?]

rānch, n., & v.i. 1. Cattle-breeding establishment in U.S. 2. v.i. Conduct ~. [f. Sp. *ranch*o mess, persons feeding together] **rān'cid**, a. Smelling or tasting like rank stale fat. Hence **rāncid**'ITY, ~NESS, nn. [f. L. *rancidus* stinking]

rānc'our (-ker), n. Inveterate bitterness, malignant hate, spitefulness. Hence **rānc'orous** a., **rānc'orously** adv. [OF, f. L. *rancorem* nom. -or (prec., -or¹)]

rānd, n. 1. Strip of leather between heel & shoe or boot. 2. (S.-Afr.) highlands on either side of river valley (the R~, Johannesburg). [OE & Du., = bank, rim]

rāndān¹, n. Style of rowing for three men, the middle using sculls & the others oars; boat for such use. [?]

rāndān², n. Spree (esp. on the ~). [var. of RANDOM]

rān'dem, adv. & n. With three horses harnessed tandem; (n.) carriage or team so driven. [prob. formed on *random* & *tandem*]

rān'dom, n. & a. 1. At ~, at haphazard, without aim or purpose or principle, heedlessly. 2. adj. Made, done, etc., at ~; (of masonry) with stones of irregular size & shape; hence ~LY² adv. (rare). [orig. sense *great speed*; f. OF *random* (*randir* gallop); for -m cf. *ransom*]

rān'dīy, a. || Loud-tongued, boisterous, lusty, (Sc.); (of cattle etc.; dial.) wild, restive; lustful, in lustful mood. Hence ~INESS n. [prob. f. obs. *rand* var. of RANT, -Y²]

rañee (rahn'i), n. Hindu queen. [f. Hind. *rani* f. Skr. *rajni* fem. of RAJAH]

rang. See RING².

range¹ (-j), v.t. & i. 1. Place or arrange in a row or ranks or in specified situation or order or company (usu. pass. or refl.; ~d their troops; ~d themselves on each side; was ~d against, among, on the side of, with, etc.; trees ~d in an ascending scale of height; ~ oneself, imit. F, take up definite position in society, settle down, e.g. by marrying). 2. Run in a line, reach, lie spread out, extend, be found or occur over specified district (often from . . . to), vary between limits, (~s north & south, along the sea; nightingale ~s from the Channel to Warwickshire). 3. Be level (with; a 12mo does not ~ well with a folio); rank or find right place with or among (~s with the great writers). 4. Roam, wander, (often over, along, through, etc., district or coast; his thoughts ~ over past, present, & future; ranging fancy, inconstant affections). 5. (Of gun) throw projectile over, (of projectile) traverse, (distance; ~s over a mile). 6. Go all about (place), sail along or about (coast, sea). [f. OF *ranger* (*rang* RANK¹)]

range² (-j), n. 1. Row, line, tier, or series, of things, esp. of buildings or mountains. 2. Ide, direction, (the ~ of the strata is east & west; keep the two buoys in ~ with the

lighthouse). 3. Stretch of grazing or hunting ground. 4. Piece of ground with targets for shooting. 5. Area over which plant etc. is distributed, area included in or concerned with something, sphere, scope, compass, register, limits of variation, limited scale or series, distance attainable by gun or projectile, distance between gun etc. & objective, (gives the ~s of all species; the thorniest question in the whole ~ of politics; the ~ of her voice is astonishing; his reading is of very wide ~; the ~ of the barometer readings is about 2 in.; Hebrew is out of my ~; there is a lower ~ of prices today; the enemy are out of ~, have found the ~ of our camp). 6. Cooking fireplace usu. with oven(s), boiler(s), & iron top plate with openings for saucepans etc. 7. ~finder, instrument for estimating distance of object to be shot at. [OF, = row, rank, (prec.)]

rān'ger (-j), n. In vbl senses; also: keeper of a royal park, whence ~SHIP n.; *(R~) member of U.S. COMMANDO; (pl.) body of mounted troops or other armed men; senior girl guide. [-ER¹]

rānk¹, n. 1. Row, line, queue, (now chiefly of cabs standing; in chess, row of squares across board, opp. FILE²). 2. Number of soldiers drawn up in single line abreast (usu. one ~ behind another, called front, rear, ~; the ~s were broken, could not keep the formation; the ~s or the ~ & file, common soldiers, i.e. privates & corporals, & transf. lower classes or ordinary undistinguished people; rise from the ~s, said of common soldier or sergeant who is given commission, or of selfmade man). 3. Order, array, (keep ~, break ~, remain, fall to remain, in line). 4. Distinct social class, grade of dignity, station, high station, (people of all ~s; persons of ~, members of nobility; ~ & fashion, high society; the pride of ~). 5. Place in a scale. [f. obs. F *ranc* (now *rang*), perh. f. OHG *hrinc* RING¹]

rānk², v.t. & i. Arrange (esp. soldiers) in rank; classify, give certain grade to; *take precedence of (person) in respect to rank; have rank or place (~s among the Great Powers, next to the king, etc.); have a rightful place on the list of claims on, or claimants against, a bankrupt estate; (Mil.) march past or off. [f. prec.]

rānk³, a. Too luxuriant, gross, coarse, over-productive, choked with or apt to produce weeds, (roses are growing ~, running too much to leaf; land too ~ to grow corn); foul-smelling, offensive, rancid; loathsome, indecent, corrupt; strongly marked, unmistakable, flagrant, virulent, gross, (~ treason, pedantry, poison, nonsense). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *ranc*, cf. LG *rank* long & thin, ON *rakkr* slender, bold]

rānk'er, n. (Commissioned officer who has been) a soldier in the ranks. [-ER¹]

rankle (ráng'kl), v.i. (Of wound, sore, etc.) fester, continue painful, (arch.); (of envy, disappointment, etc., or their cause) be bitter, give intermittent or constant pain. [f. OF *rancier* (*rancle*, *drancle*, *drancle*, festering sore = med. L *dracunculus* dim. of *draco* serpent)]

rán'säck, v.t. Thoroughly search (place, receptacle, person's pockets, one's conscience, etc.); pillage, plunder, (house, country, etc.). [f. ON *rannsaka* (*rann* house, *sækja* seek)]

rán'som, n., & v.t. 1. (Liberation of prisoner of war in consideration of) sum of money or value paid for release (*hold one to ~*, be willing to release him for such consideration; *worth a king's ~*, of immense value); blackmail, sum etc. exacted in return for privilege or immunity, (*graduated income-tax & death-duties are no more than a fair ~ paid by the rich*); *~bill*, *~bond*, undertaking, esp. on part of captured ship, to pay ~; hence *~LESS* a. 2. v.t. Redeem, buy freedom or restoration of; atone for, expiate; hold to ~, release for a ~; exact ~ from. [f. OF *ranson(ner)* f. L *redemptionem* REDEMPTION]

ránt, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Use bombastic language; declaim, recite theatrically; preach noisily, whence (esp. of Primitive Methodists) *~ER*¹ n. 2. n. Piece of ~ing, tirade; empty turgid talk. [f. obs. Du. *randlen* rave, cf. G *ranzen* frolic]

ranūnc'ūlus, n. (pl. *~uses*, *~i*). Genus of plants including the buttercups, crow-foot. Hence *~A'CEOUS* (*-āshus*) a. [L, orig. dim. of *rana* frog]

ranz-des-vaches (see Ap.), n. Swiss herdsmen's melody made of harmonic notes of Alpine horn. [Swiss dial.]

rāp¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Smart slight blow (*a ~ on the knuckles*, punishment inflicted on child, also fig. reproof); sound made by knocker on door etc., or by some agency on table or floor in spiritualistic seances. 2. vb. Strike (esp. person's knuckles) smartly; make the sound called *a ~* (*~ped at the door*, *on the table*, etc.); *~out* (oath, pun, etc.), utter abruptly or on the spur of the moment, (v.i.) use strong language; (of spirits) *~out* (message, word), express by ~s. [prob. Imit.]

rāp¹, n. Skin of 120 yds of yarn. [?]

rāp¹, n. An atom, the least bit, (*don't care a ~*). [earlier sense 18th-c. Irish *counterfeit halfpenny*; etym. dub.]

rapā'cious (-shus), a. Grasping, extortionate, predatory. Hence or cogn. *~LY*² adv., *rapā'cious* n. [f. L *rapax* (*rapere* seize, -ACIOUS)]

rāpe¹, v.t., & n. 1. Take by force (poet.); ravish, force, violate, (woman). 2. n. Carrying off by force (poet.); ravishing or violation of a woman (also fig. of a country, *as the ~ of Austria*). [prob. f. L *rapere* seize]

|| **rāpe¹**, n. Any of six administrative

divisions of Sussex. [from 1086; etym. dub.]

rāpe¹, n. Plant grown as food for sheep; plant cultivated for its seed from which oil is made, coleseed; *wild ~*, charlock; *~cake*, *~seed* pressed into flat shape after extraction of oil & used as manure; *~oil*, made from *~seed* & used as lubricant & in making soap & indiarubber. [f. L *rapum* turnip]

rāpe¹, n. Refuse of grapes after wine-making used in making vinegar; vessel used in vinegar-making. [f. F *rāpe*, cf. Pr. *raspa*, It. *raspo*]

Rāphāēlēsque¹ (-sk), Rāff-, a. In style of Raphael. [*Raphael* (It. *Raffaello*), -ESQUE]

rāph'ia, n. (Bot. name of) RAFFIA.

rāp'id, a. & n. 1. Speedy, quick, swift; acting or completed in short time; (of slope) descending steeply; hence or cogn. **rapid'ITY** n., *~LY*² adv. 2. n. (usu. pl.). Steep descent in river-bed, with swift current. [f. L *rapidus* (*rapere* seize)]

rāp'ier, n. Light slender sword for thrusting only, small-sword, (*~thrust*, often fig. of delicate or witty repartee). [f. F *rapire* etym. dub.]

rāp'ine, n. (rhet.). Plundering, robbery. [f. L *rapina* (*rapere* seize, -INE¹)]

rāpparee¹, n. (hist.). 17th-c. Irish irregular soldier or freebooter. [f. Ir. *rapaire* short pike]

rāppee¹, n. Coarse kind of snuff. [f. F (*tabac*) *rāpé* RASPED (tobacco)]

rāppōrt¹ (or *rāpōrt¹*), n. Communication, relationship, connexion, (*be in*, or *F en pr. ahn, come into*, or *F en. ~ with*). [F (*rapporter* f. RE-, AP-, *porter* f. L *portare* carry)]

rāpprochement (see Ap.), n. Re-establishment or recommencement of harmonious relations, esp. between States. [F]

rāpscāll'ion (-lyon), n. (arch.). Rascal, scamp, rogue. [earlier *rascallion*, prob. f. RASCAL]

rāpt, p.p., & a. Snatched away bodily or carried away in spirit from earth, from life, from consciousness, or from ordinary thoughts & perceptions (often *away*, *up*, etc.); absorbed, enraptured, intent, (esp. *listen with ~ attention*). [f. L *raptus* p.p. of *rapere* seize]

rāptōr'ial, a. & n. (zool.). (Member) of the *Raptores*, an order of birds of prey; predatory, (as) of predatory birds or animals. [f. L *raptor* (prec., -or²) plunderer + -IAL]

rāp'ture, n. Mental transport, ecstatic delight, (*be in*, *go into*, *~s*, be enthusiastic, talk enthusiastically; *~s*, vehement pleasure or the expression of it); (esp. Theol.) act of transporting a person from one place to another (esp. heaven). Hence **rāp'turous** a., **rāp'turously¹** adv., (*-tyer-*). [f. RAPT + -URE]

rāp'tured (-tyerd), a. Enraptured, in ecstasy. [f. obs. *rapture* vb (prec.), -ED¹]

rār'a (rā'le, n. Rarity, kind of person or thing rarely encountered. [L. = rare bird]

rāfe¹, a. 1. Of loosely packed substance, not dense, (*the atmosphere of the mountain tops*). 2. Few & far between, uncommon, unusual, exceptional, seldom found or occurring, (*it is ~ for person etc. to do, or it is ~ly that he etc. does*). 3. Of uncommon excellence, remarkably good, very amusing, (*a miracle of ~ device; had ~ fun with him*). 4. ~ *earths*, oxides of certain metals (e.g. cerium, lanthanum, yttrium) found in a few ~ minerals. Hence ~LY¹ (-āfē-) adv., (esp.) seldom, not often, finely, in an unusual degree, ~NESS (-āfē-) n. [f. L. *rarus*]

***rāfe**², a. (Of meat) underdone. [var. of obs. *rear* half-cooked (of eggs), f. OE *hrēf*]

rare'bit (rārb-) n. See WELSH¹ *rabbil*.

rār'ee-show (-ō), n. Show carried about in a box; any show or spectacle. [perh. = *rare show* as pronounced by Savoyard showmen]

rār'ēfī, v.t. & i. Lessen density or solidity of (esp. air); purify, refine, (person's nature etc.); make (idea etc.) subtle; become less dense. So ~FAC'TION, ~FICA'TION, nn., ~FACTIVE a. [f. L. *rarefacere* (for *rarifacere* perh. on anal. of *arefacere*) f. *rarus* rare, *facere* make]

rār'itī, n. Rareness (see RARE¹); uncommon thing, thing valued as being rare. [f. L. *raritas* (RARE¹, -TY)]

ra'scal (rah-), n. & a. 1. Rogue, knave, scamp, (often playfully to child etc.; *you lucky ~!*). 2. adj. Belonging to the rabble (arch.; *the ~ rout*, the common people). Hence ~DOM, ~ISM(2), RASCAL'ITY nn., ~LY¹ a. [f. OF *rasaille* rabble, etym. dub.]

rase. See RAZE.

rāsh¹, n. Eruption of the skin in spots or patches. [cf. OF *rache* scurf, It. *raschia* itch; from 18th c. only]

rāsh², a. Hasty, impetuous, overbold, reckless, acting or done without due consideration. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [cf. Du. & G *rasch* quick]

rāsh'er, n. Thin slice of bacon or ham. [perh. f. obs. *rash* to slice, prob. var. of RAZE]

rasp (rah-), v.t. & i. & n. (Scrape with) coarse kind of file having separate teeth raised with pointed punch; scrape roughly; grate upon (person or his feelings), irritate; scrape off or away; make grating sound. Hence RA'SPERS¹ (rah-) n., (esp., Hunting) high difficult fence. [f. OF *raspe(r)*, now *rape(r)*, perh. f. Teut., cf. OHG *raspōn* scrape together]

ra'spatōry (rah-), n. Rasp used in surgery. [f. med. L. *raspatorium* (raspare RASP, -TORY)]

ra'spberry (rahzb-), n. 1. (Plant bearing) white, yellow, or usu. red subacid fruit of many small juicy grains arranged on central receptacle. 2. (sl.) Sound, gesture, or sign expressing dislike, derision, or

disapproval; dismissal. 3. ~ *canes*, the plants; ~ *vinegar*, kind of syrup. [f. *rasp* (now Sc. & north.), *raspis*, etym. dub.]

rasse (rās'l, rās), n. Kind of civet-cat. [f. Javanese *rase*]

rāt¹, n., & v.l. (-tt-). 1. Rodent of some larger species of the mouse kind (MUSK, WATER, ~; black or old-English ~, variety now largely ousted by common *grey*, brown, or Norway ~; smell a ~, have suspicions; like a drowned ~, said of person wet through; *Rats!*, sl., nonsense!, incredible!, etc.). 2. (Pol.) person who deserts his party in difficulties as ~s are said to desert doomed house or ship, turncoat. 3. Workman who refuses to join strike, takes striker's place, or accepts less than trade-union wages. 4. ~ *catcher* (who rids houses of ~s), (sl.) unorthodox hunting dress; ~s *bane*, ~ *poison* (now only in literary fig. use); ~s *tail*, thing shaped like ~s tail, e.g. kind of file; ~ *tail*, (horse with) hairless horse's tail, whence ~ *tailed*² a. (~ *tail spoon*, with tail-like prolongation of handle along back of bowl); ~ *trap*, lit., also (cycle pedal) made of two parallel iron plates with teeth; hence ~ *t'y*² a. (in n. senses, &, sl., snappish, irritable, touchy). 5. v.l. Hunt or kill ~s (of person or dog); play the ~ in politics; hence ~ *t'er*¹ n. [OE *rat*, cf. Du. *rat*, G *ratz*, also F *rat*, etym. dub.]

rāt², v.l. 3rd sing. pres. subj. (vulg.). = DRAT.

ra'ta (rah-), n. Large handsome New Zealand tree with crimson flowers & hard red wood. [Maori]

rāt'able, a. Proportional (arch.); || liable to payment of municipal rates, whence ~ABILITY n. Hence ~ABLY² adv. [RATE², -ABLE]

rātafi'a (-ča, -fee', n. Liqueur flavoured with almonds or kernels of peach, apricot, or cherry; kind of biscuit similarly flavoured; kind of cherry. [F (-ia), etym. dub.]

rāt'al, n. Amount on which rates are assessed (also attrib., as *the ~ qualification for vestries*). [f. RATE¹, prob. after RENTAL] **rātaplān'**, n., & v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. Drumming sound. 2. vb. Play (as) on drum; make ~. [F, imit.]

rātch'ēt, **rātch**, nn., & vv.t. 1. Set of teeth on edge of bar or wheel by which in combination with a catch motion in one direction may be prevented while possible in the other; (also ~ *wheel*) wheel with rim so toothed. 2. v.t. Provide with ~, give ~ form to. [f. F *rochet* kind of lance-head, cf. SOCKET¹]

rāte¹, n. 1. Statement of numerical proportion prevailing or to prevail between two sets of things either or both of which may be unspecified, amount etc. mentioned in one case for application to all similar ones, standard or way of reckon-

ing, (measure of) value, tariff charge, cost, relative speed, (going at the ~ of six miles an hour; can have them at the ~ of 1/- a thousand; the death-~ was 19 per mille; the ~ of interest, wages, etc., is to be regulated; the high-~s charged by the railways; at that ~, colloq., if this is a fair specimen, if this assumption is true, etc.; at any ~, in either or any possible case, even if a stronger statement is doubtfully true, etc.; the low ~ at which you value it; sell at a high ~; win success at an easy ~; went off at a great ~, speed; pauperism increases at a fearful ~). 2. || Assessment levied by local authorities for local purposes (~s & taxes; a 6d. ~ is raised for the public library service). 3. Class (In FIRST, THIRD, etc., ~). 4. || ~payer, person liable to have municipal-~s exacted from him. [OF, f. med. L *rata* (L *pro rata parte* according to the proportional share, f. *ratu*s p.p. of *reri* reckon]

rāte¹, v.t. & i. 1. Estimate worth or value of (*I do not ~ his merits high; each offence is ~d at a fixed sum by way of penalty; esp. in over~, under~, assign fixed value to (coin, metals) in relation to monetary standard (the copper coinage is ~d much above its real value); consider, regard as, (I ~ him among my benefactors).* 2. || (Usu. in pass.) subject to payment of a local rate, value for purpose of assessing rates on, (*we are highly ~d for education, have to pay a high rate; houses are ~d at a sum smaller than the rent, the sum on which rates are charged is less*). 3. ~ up, impose higher insurance rate on (persons etc., liable to exceptional risks). 4. (Naut.) class under a certain RATING¹, (intr.) rank or be ~d as, [f. prec.]

rāte², v.t. & i. Scold (trans.) angrily; (rare) storm at. [1]

rate³. See **RETE**.

rāt'el, n. S.-Afr. carnivorous quadruped, honey-badger. (Cape-Du., etym. dub.)

-rāt'er, n. Racing yacht of specified tonnage (10~, 21/2~, etc.). [RATE¹, -ER¹]

|| **rath** (rahth), n. (Ir. Ant.). Prehistoric hill-fort. [Ir.]

|| **rāthe** (-dh), a. (poet.). Coming, blooming, etc., early in the year or day; ~ripe, **rāth'ripe**, ripening early, precocious, (n.) early kinds of pea, apple, etc. [f. obs. *rathe* adv., OE *hrathe* (*hrad* quick)]

ra'ther (rahdh-), adv. 1. More truly, to a greater extent, as a more accurate description or preferable account of the matter, or to be more precise, (*is ~ good than bad; derived ~ from imagination than reason; orderliness is not the result of law, ~ it is the cause of it; late last night, or ~ early this morning*); the ~ that, so much the more because. 2. In a modified way, to some extent, slightly, somewhat, (*I ~ think you know him; the performance was ~ a failure, was ~ good, fell ~ flat*). 3. By preference, for choice, sooner, as an

alternative chosen sooner than another of same grammatical form or than to (*would much ~ not go; he would ~ have died than refused; use soft water ~ than hard; the desire to seem clever ~ than honest; he resigned ~ than stifle his conscience*; also with *had*, as *I had ~ err with Plato than be right with —*). 4. || (colloq.). (In answers) most emphatically, yes without doubt, assuredly, (*Have you been here before? — R~!*). [compar. of obs. *rathe* adv., see prec.]

***ra'thskëller** (rahts-), n. Beer-saloon or restaurant in basement. [G. = town-hall cellar]

rāt'if'y, v.t. Confirm or make valid (compact made in one's name) by formal consent, signature, etc. So ~FICAT'ION n. [f. F *ratifier* f. med. L *ratificare* (RATE¹, -FY)]

ratine' (-ōn), n. Dress fabric resembling sponge cloth. [F]

rāt'ing¹, n. In vbl senses of RATE²; also or esp.: || amount fixed as municipal rate; (Naut.) person's position or class on ship's books, || non-commissioned sailor, || (collect.) all persons of a particular ~; any of the classes into which racing yachts are distributed by tonnage. [RATE¹, -ING¹]

rāt'ing², n. Angry reprimand. [RATE², -ING¹]

rā'tio (-shiō), n. (pl. ~s). Quantitative relation between two similar magnitudes determined by the number of times one contains the other integrally or fractionally (*are in the ~ of three to two or 3:2; the ~s 1:5 & 20:100 are the same*). [L (RATE¹, -ION)]

rātiō'cin'iāte (or -shi-), v.i. Go through logical processes, reason formally, use syllogisms. So ~AT'ION n., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *ratiocinari* (prec.), -ATE¹]

rāt'ion ('rā-), n., & v.t. 1. (Usu. pl.) fixed daily allowance of food served out esp. for members of Services (& formerly of forage for animals); fixed allowance of food etc. for civilians in time of shortage (~ book, entitling holder to ~); single portion of provisions, fuel, clothing, etc.; (pl.) provisions. 2. v.t. Limit (persons, food, clothing) to fixed ~. [f. L *RATIO*]

rāt'ional (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Endowed with reason, reasoning; sensible, sane, moderate, not foolish or absurd or extreme; of, based on, reasoning or reason, rejecting what is unreasonable or cannot be tested by reason in religion or custom, (~ dress, esp. formerly of knickerbockers worn by women instead of skirts; *has ~ leanings in religion*, has doubts about the truth of revelation, the possibility of miracles, etc.). 2. (Math., of quantity or ratio) expressible without radical signs (opp. **SURD**); hence or cogn. ~RY (-āl-) n., ~LY¹ adv. 3. n. pl. ~ dress. [f. L *rationalis* (prec.), -AL¹]

rātiōnāl'ē (-sho-), n. Reasoned exposition, statement of reasons, (now rare);

fundamental reason, logical basis, *of*. [L, neut. as prec.]

rā'tionalism (-sho-), *n.* Practice of explaining the supernatural in religion in a way consonant with reason, or of treating reason as the ultimate authority in religion as elsewhere; theory that reason is the foundation of certainty in knowledge (opp. *empiricism, sensationalism*). So ~IST(2) *n.* & a., ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv. [-ISM]

rā'tionaliz[e] (-sho-), *v.t. & i.* Explain, explain *away*, by rationalism, bring into conformity with reason; be or act as a rationalist; (Math.) clear from surds; (Econ.) reform (an industry) by eliminating waste in labour, time, & materials, whence ~ATION *n.* [-IZE]

rāt'ite, *a.* (ornith.). Belonging to the *Ratitae*, a genus including ostrich, emu, cassowary, etc., with keelless breastbone (opp. *CARINATE*). [f. L *ratis* raft, -ITE²]

rāt'lin(e), -ling, *n.* (usu. pl.). (One of) small lines fastened across ship's shrouds like ladder-rungs. [cf. OF *raalingue* small cordage strengthening sail-edge]

ratōōn', *n.*, & *v.i.* Now shoot springing from sugar-cane root after cropping; (vb) send up ~s. [f. Sp. *retoño* sprout]

rat(t)ān', *n.* Kinds of R.-Indian climbing palm with long thin many-jointed pliable stems; piece of ~ stem used as cane or for other purposes; ~s used as a material in building etc. [f. Malay *rotan* (*raut* pare)]

rāt-tāt', *rātātāt'*, *rāt-tat-tāt'*, *n.* Rapping sound, esp. of knocker. [imit.]

|| **rätt'en**, *v.t.* Molest (workman or employer) by abstracting or injuring tools or machinery etc. in disputes. [†]

rāt'tle¹, *v.i. & t.* Give out rapid succession of short sharp hard sounds, cause such sounds by shaking something (*he ~d at the door*); talk in lively thoughtless way (often *on, away, along*); move or fall with rattling noise, drive vehicle or ride or run briskly, (usu. *down, along, past*, etc.); (part.) brisk, vigorous, (*a rattling wind, pace*), (preceding good etc.) remarkably (*had a rattling good run, dinner*, etc.); make (chain, window, crockery, etc.) ~ (~ *the sabre, throaten war*); say or recite (verses, stories, lists, oaths) rapidly (usu. *off, out, over, away*, etc.); stir up from dullness; (sl.) excite, agitate, fluster, make nervous, frighten; make move quickly (~ *fox*, hunt it close; ~ *up the anchor*; ~ *bill through the House*). [ME & Du. *ratelen*, cf. G *rasseln*, prob. imit.]

rāt'tle², *n.* 1. Instrument or plaything made to rattle esp. in order to give alarm or to amuse babies; set of horny rings in ~snake's tail; kinds of plant with seeds that rattle in their cases when ripe (esp. *Yellow, Red*, ~); rattling sound, uproar, bustle, noisy gaiety, racket, (*death* ~, *such sound in throat immediately before death*; *the* ~s, croup); noisy flow of

words, empty chatter, trivial talk; lively incessant talker. 2. ~bag, ~bladder, ~box, ~s constructed of bag etc. with objects inside to rattle; ~brain, ~head, ~pate, (person with) empty brain etc., whence ~brain-ed², ~head-ed², ~pate², aa.; ~snake, venomous American snake with rattling apparatus in tail; ~trap *n.* & a., rickety (vehicle etc.), (pl.) curiosities, odds & ends. [f. prec.]

rätt'ler, *n.* In vbl senses; esp.: remarkably good specimen of anything; *rattle-snake. [-ER¹]

ratty. See RAT¹.

rauc'ous, *a.* Hoarse, harsh-sounding. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *raucus*, -OUS]

|| **raughty**. See RORTY.

|| **raugue** (rawk), *a.* (rare). Raucous. [F (RAUCOUS)]

rāv'age, *v.t. & i.*, & *n.* 1. Devastate, plunder, (t. & i.), make havoc. 2. *n.* Devastation, damage; (esp. pl.) destructive effects of. [f. F *ravage(r)*, vb f. *n.*, (*ravir* RAVISH, -AGE)]

rāve¹, *n.* Rail of cart; (pl.) permanent or removable framework added to sides of cart to increase capacity. [also *rathe* dial.; etym. dub.]

rāve², *v.i. & t.*, & *n.* 1. Talk wildly or furiously (as) in delirium (often *about, against, at, of, for*; *raving mad*, uncontrollably, so as to ~); (of sea, wind, etc.) howl, roar; speak with rapturous admiration *about* or *of*, go into raptures; utter with ravings (~ *one's grief* etc.); ~ oneself hoarse, to sleep, etc.; storm ~s itself out, to an end; hence (often pl.) **rāv'ing** (1) *n.* 2. *n.* Raving sound of wind etc. [perh. f. OF *raver* var. of *réver* dream (REVERIE)]

rāv'el, *v.t. & i.* (-ll-), & *n.* 1. Entangle or become entangled, confuse, complicate, (thread etc., or fig. question, problem; esp. in p.p., as the ~led skein of life); fray (l. & t.) out, whence ~ling¹ (2) *n.*; disentangle, unravel, distinguish the separate threads or subdivisions of, (often out). 2. *n.* Entanglement, knot, complication; frayed or loose end. [prob. f. Du. *ravelen*]

rāv'elin (-vi-), *n.* (fortif.). Outwork of two faces forming salient angle outside main ditch before curtain. [F, f. It. *ravellino* etym. dub.]

rāv'en¹, *n.* & a. 1. Large black-plumaged hoarse-voiced bird of crow kind feeding chiefly on flesh, often kept tame, & popularly held of evil omen. 2. *adj.* Of glossy black (esp. ~ locks, black hair). [com.-Teut.; OE *hrafen*, cf. Du. *raaf*, G *rabe*]

rāv'en², *v.i. & t.* Plunder (intr.), go plundering about, seek after prey or booty, prowl for prey; eat (t. & abs.) voraciously; have ravenous appetite (for). [f. OF *raviner* ravage (L *rapinus* RAPHNE)]

rāv'enous, *a.* Rapacious (now rare); voracious (esp. ~ hunger, eagerness, etc.);

famished, very hungry. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. (rare). [f. OF *ravineux* (prec., -OUS)]

rāv'in, n. (poet., rhet.). Robbery, rapine; seizing & devouring of prey (*beast* of ~, of prey); spoil. [f. F *ravine* (now obs. in this sense) f. L *rapina* RAPINE]

ravin[e] (ēn), n. Deep narrow gorge, mountain cleft. Hence ~ED² (-ēnd') a. [F, = violent rush, ravine, (prec.)]

rāv'ish, v.t. 1. Carry off (person, thing) by force (now rare); (of death, circumstances, etc.) take from life or from sight. 2. Commit rape upon, violate, (woman), whence ~ER¹ n. 3. Enrapture, charm, entrance, fill with delight, whence ~ING³ a., ~ingly² adv., so ~MENT n. [f. F *ravir* (L *rapere* seize), -ISH¹]

raw, a., n., & v.t. 1. Uncooked (~ *cream*, got without scalding of milk; ~ *brick*, not hardened by fire); in unwrought state, not or not completely manufactured, (~ *silk*, as reeled from cocoons; ~ *cloth*, unfurled; ~ *hide*, untanned leather, also rope or whip of this; ~ *spirit*, undiluted; ~ *grain*, unmalted; ~ *material*, that out of which any process of manufacture makes the articles it produces, as the finished product of one industry is the ~ material of another; the ~ material of an army is men); artistically crude; inexperienced, untrained, unskilled, fresh to anything, (is a ~ *lad*; ~ *recruits*); stripped of skin, having the flesh exposed, excoriated, sensitive to a touch from being so exposed; ~ *edge* of cloth, without hem or selva; (of atmosphere, wind, day, etc.) damp & chilly; ~ *boned*, with bones almost exposed, gaunt; ~ *DEAL*²; ~ *head & bloody bones*, nursery bugbear, death's-head & cross-bones, (attrib., of narrative style etc.) crudely horrible; hence ~'ISH¹ (2) a., ~'NESS n. 2. n. ~ place on person's or esp. horse's skin; *touch one on the ~*, wound his feelings on the points on which he is sensitive. 3. v.t. Rub (esp. horse's back) into ~ness. [com.-Teut.; OE *hrēaw*, cf. Du. *rau*, G. *roh*; cogn. w. L *cruor* blood, Gk *kreas* flesh]

ray¹, n. 1. Single line or narrow beam of light; (in scientific use) straight line in which radiant energy capable of producing sensation of light is propagated to given point (*Röntgen*, pr. rŭn'tyen, or X, ~s, form of radiation penetrating many substances impervious to ordinary light; *Bequerel* ~s, ~s emitted by RADIO-active bodies). 2. Analogous propagation-line of heat or other non-luminous physical energy; (fig.) remnant or beginning of enlightening or cheering influence (a ~, not a ~, of hope, truth, genius, etc.). 3. Radius of circle (rare); any of the lines forming a pencil or set of straight lines passing through one point, any of a set of

radiating lines or parts or things. 4. (Bot.) marginal part of composite flower, as daisy; radial division of starfish. Hence ~ED² (rād), ~LESS, aa., ~LET n. [f. OF *rai* (nom. *rais* f. L *RADIUS*)]

ray², v.i. & t. (Of light etc., or fig. of thought, hope, etc.) issue, come forth, or off or out, in rays; radiate (t. & i.; poet.). [f. prec.]

ray³, n. Kinds of large sea-fish allied to shark, with broad flat body, used as food, esp. the skate. [f. F *raie* f. L *raia*]

Ray'ah (ri'a), n. Non-Moslem Turkish subject. [f. Arab. *ra'i'yah* flock (*ra'a* feed)]

ray'on, n. Artificial silk made from cellulose. [F]

rāze, **rāse** (-z), v.t. Wound slightly, graze, (rare); erase, scratch out, (rare exc. fig. as ~ person's name from remembrance); completely destroy, level with the ground, (town, house, walls, etc.; usu. to the ground). [f. F *raser* f. pop. L frequent. of L *radere* ras- scrape]

razee¹, n., & v.t. (hist.). Ship reduced in height by removal of upper deck(s); (vb) turn into a ~. [f. F *rasée* fem. p.p. as prec.]

rāz'or, n., & v.t. 1. Instrument used in shaving hair from skin (*safety* ~, kinds with guard to obviate risk of gashing skin). 2. ~back, back sharp as ~s edge (often attrib., as ~back whale or ROBUQUAI, ~back hill, etc.), whence ~backen³ a.; ~bill, kinds of bird with ~ bill (bill shaped like ~), whence ~billen³ a.; ~edge, keen edge, sharp mountain ridge, critical situation, sharp line of division (*keep on the ~edge of orthodoxy*; *be on a ~edge* or ~s edge, imit. Gk, be in great danger); ~fish, ~shell, kinds of bivalve with shell like handle of ordinary ~; ~grinder, lit., || also kinds of bird; ~strop. 3. v.t. (rare). Use ~ upon, shave, cut down close. [f. OF *rasor* (prec., -or³)]

rāzz'ia, n. Raid, plundering or slave-collecting expedition, esp. as carried out by African Mohammedans. [F, f. Arab. *ghazwah* (*ghasw* make war)]

rāz'zle (-daz'zle), n. (sl.). Excitement, bustle, stir, spree; undulating merry-go-round. [redupl. of DAZZLE]

R-boat, n. Fast German motor mine-sweeper. [R f. G *räumen* to clear]

re¹ (rā), n. Second note of octave; (rare) note D, the second in natural scale of C major. [See GAMUT]

rē¹, abl. of RES. (As prep.) in the matter of (chiefly in legal & business use as first word of headline stating matter to be dealt with; also vulg. as substitute for *about*, *concerning*, in ordinary use); *re infec'ta*, without having accomplished one's object (esp. *return re infecta*).

re- (see †Pronunciation, **Hyphen, below), pref. f. L *re-*, red-, again, back, un-

Re- both forms part of large numbers of already compounded words borrowed f. L or Rom., & is treated as a living pref. In the latter capacity it may be prefixed for the occasion to any vb or vbl derivative; this is esp. common in such phrr. as *traverse* & *re-traverse*=traverse again & again, *reckoning* & *re-reckoning*, *translation* & *re-translation*; but many vbs etc. that originated as nonco-wds have become established, often with restriction to one or some only of the simple word's senses; the more common or important words of this class, & others whose simplicity of meaning allows them to be grouped with it, are given with any necessary information under senses 8, 9, below. Those senses are the simple ones, found also in many of the wds compounded before being adopted by E; but in others of the pre-E compds the sense of the pref. has been so developed as to be obscure or unrecognizable, & senses 1-7 are given as a rough classification.

†Pronunciation:—*rē* in all wds (esp. all given under senses 8, 9) that are historically, or are capable of being taken for, simple modifications of existing E wds by one of those senses (even when a similarly spelt compd exists in senses not capable of being so regarded; so *recover*=cover again, cf. *RECOVER*¹, *rēcount*=count again, cf. *RECOUNT*¹, *rēcreation* second or new creation, cf. *recreation* in *RECREATE*¹); *rē* before vowels, and before h (exc. in *rehearse*); *rē* also in *reflex*, *regress* n., *rescript*, *retail* n.; *rē* also in *recalesce*, *recrudesce*, *regulate*, & their derivv., & *recantation*, *retardation*, *retraction*, *retractility*; elsewhere, *rī* when the next syllable bears the word-accent (*reflect*¹, *repository*), & otherwise *rē* (*recollect*¹, *revocable*).

*Hyphen:—The hyphen is often used when a writer wishes to mark the fact that he is using not a well-known compd vb, but *re-* as a living prefix (senses 8, 9) attached to a simple vb (*re-pair*=pair again, cf. *repair* mend); also usu. before e (*re-emerge*), & occas. before other vowels (*re-assure*, usu. *reassure*); also when the idea of repetition is to be emphasized, esp. in such phrr. as *make & re-make*.

1-7: Special senses chiefly in pre-E compds.

1. In return, mutual(ly); *react*, *reciprocal*, *recompense*, *recrimination*, *rejoinder*, *remunerate*, *reparce*, *repay*, *requite*, *resull*, *revenge*, etc.

2. Opposition: *rebel*, *recalcitrant*, *recusant*, *reluctance*, *remonstrate*, *repugnant*, *resist*, *revolt*, etc.

3. Behind, after: *relic*, *relinquish*, *relish*, *remorse*, *remorse*, *REBT*¹, etc.

4. Retirement, secrecy: *recluse*, *recon-*

dile, *recourse*, *refuge*, *remote*, *repository*, *reticent*, etc.

5. Off, away, down: *rebate*, *relax*, *release*, *relegate*, *remiss*, *renounce*, *repress*, *repudiate*, *rescind*, *reside*, *resolve*, *retail*, etc.

6. Frequentative or intensive: *redolent*, *redouble*, *redoubtable*, *redound*, *reduplicate*, *refine*, *refulgent*, *regard*, *rejoice*, *remark*, *renown*, *repine*, *repute*, *research*, *respect*, *resplendent*, *revere*, *revile*, *revolve*, etc.

7. Negative, un-: *reproach*, *reproof*, *reprobate*, *resign*, *reveal*.

8, 9: Ordinary senses as living prefix.

8. Once more, again, anew, afresh; repeated, (often with implication that previous doing etc. was deficient or erroneous or now requires alteration or improvement or renewal; many wds may be classed indifferently under 8 or 9); *readdress*¹ v.t., change address of (letter); *readjust*¹ v.t.; so *readjustment* n.; *reaffirm*¹ v.t.; so *reaffirmation* n.; *reapparrel* v.t.; *rearm*¹ v.l. & t., esp. provide (troops) with arms of new pattern; so *rearmament* n.; *rearrange*¹ v.t.; so *rearrangement* n.; *reassert*¹ v.t.; so *reassertion* n.; *reassess*¹ v.t.; so *reassessment* n.; *reassign*¹ v.t.; *rebaptize*¹ v.t., lit., & fig. give new name to; so *rebatism* n.; *rebirth*¹ n., esp. fresh incarnation; so *reborn*¹ p.p.; *rebile*¹ v.t., (defective parts of etched etc. plate with acid); *rebuild*¹ v.t.; *recapitulate* v.t., go over headings of, summarize, go quickly through again; so *recapitulation* n. (spec. in Biol., reproduction in embryos of successive type-forms in line of development), *recapitulative*, *recapitulatory*, aa.; *recast*¹ v.t., & n., (put into) new shape, improve(d) arrangement etc. (of); *rechristen* v.t., = *rebaptize* above; *re clothe*¹ v.t.; *recoat*¹ v.t.; *recoat*¹ v.t., put new coat of paint on; *recoin*¹ v.t.; so *recoinage* n.; *recolomize* v.t.; so *recolonization* n.; *recolour* v.t.; *recombine*¹ v.t.; so *recombination* n.; *recommence*¹ v.t. & i.; so *recommencement* n.; *recommit*¹ v.t., esp. refer back (bill etc.) for further consideration to committee; so *recommitment*, *recommittal*, nn.; *recompose*¹ v.t.; *recompound*¹ v.t.; *reconstitute*¹ v.t.; so *reconsideration* n.; *reconstituent* a. & n., (remedy) that builds up strength or tissue anew; *reconstitute* v.t., esp. piece together (past events) into an intelligible whole; so *reconstitution* n.; *reconstruct*¹ v.t.; so *reconstruction* n., *reconstructive* a.; *recount*¹ v.t., (esp. votes at election as security against error), & see *RECOUNT*¹; so *recount*¹ n.; *recooer* v.t., (esp. umbrellas etc.), & see *RECOVER*¹; *recreate*¹ v.t., create over again, & see *RECREATE*¹; so *recreation*, & see in *RECREATE*¹; *redirect*¹ v.t., esp. = *readdress* above; so *redirection* n.; *redistribute* v.t.;

For pronunciation & hyphening of *re-* see *RE-*; for words in *re-* not given see *RE-* 8, 9.

so *redistrib'ution* n., esp. of seats in Parliament or voting-power in elections, *redistrib'utive* a.; *redivide'* v.t.; so *rediv'ision* n.; *redo'* v.t.; *redye'* v.t.; *red-ed'it* v.t.; so *re-ed'ition* n.; *re-enforce'* v.t. (cf. REINFORCE); *re-en'gine* v.t., supply (ship etc.) with new engine(s); *re-exam'ine* v.t., esp. of opening side's second examination of witness after opponents' cross-examination; so *re-examina'tion* n.; *reface'* v.t., put new facing on (building); *refa'shion* v.t.; so *refa'shion-ment* n.; *refit'* v.t. & i., restore (ship) by, (of ship) undergo, renewal & repairs; so *refit'*, *refit'ment*, nn.; *refoot'* v.t., supply new foot to (stocking); *reforma'ish* v.t.; *regen'esis* n.; *regroup'* v.t.; *rehan'dle* v.t., esp. = *recast* above; *rehang'* v.t., (esp. pictures); *rehash'* v.t., & n., (put) stale materials esp. of literary kind in new shape; *rehear'* v.t., (case in lawcourt); *rehear'ing* n.; *rehouse'* v.t., provide with new house(s); *reincarn'ate* v.t.; so *reincarna'tion* n., entrance of the soul, after death, into another human (or animal) body, *reincarn'ate* (-al) a.; *reink'* v.t.; *reinsure'* v.i. & t. (esp. of underwriter etc. devolving risk upon another); so *reinsur'ance* n.; *reinter'* v.t.; *reinvest'*¹ (see also sense 9) v.t., shift (money) to other investment; so *reinvest'ment* n.; *reiss'ue* v.t.; so *reissuable* a. (esp. of bills or notes), *reiss'ue* n., esp. part of already published edition to be sold with change of form or price; *reit'erate* v.t., say or do over again or several times, repeat; so *reitera'tion* n., *reit'erative* a.; *relab'el* v.t.; *relive'* v.i. & t.; *reload'* v.t.; *remake'* v.t.; *reman'*¹ (see also sense 9) v.t., equip with fresh men; *remar'gin* v.t., (esp. of secondhand book-seller repairing worn book); *rema'rry* v.i. & t.; so *rema'rriage* n.; *remast'* v.t.; *remint'* v.t.; *remod'el* v.t.; *remould'* v.t.; *remount'* (see also REMOUNT²) v.t., esp. provide with fresh horse etc.; *rém'ount* n., supply of fresh horses for regiment etc., fresh horse; *rename'* v.t.; *renum'ber* v.t., esp. change numbers of series etc.; *reorg'anize* v.t.; so *reorganiza'tion*, *reorg'anizer*, nn.; *repay'er* v.t.; *reparti'tion* v.t., *reperuse'* v.t.; so *reperus'al* n.; *replant'* v.t.; so *replanta'tion* n.; *repot'* v.t. (esp. plant into larger pot); *reprint'* v.t.; *rep'rint* n., book, article, etc., reprinted; *reproduce'* v.t. & i., esp. (trans.) produce copy or representation of, (intr.) multiply by generation; so *reproduction* n., *reproduce'able*, *reprodu'cible*, *reproduc'tive*, aa., *reproduc'tively* adv., *reproduc'tiveness* n.; *reprovi'sion* v.t.; *repub'lish* v.t. (esp. book etc.); so *republi'cation* n.; *reread'* v.t.; *reseat'* v.t., esp. provide church, theatre, etc., with fresh seats; *reseek'* v.t.; *resee'* v.t. (esp. gems); *reseed'le* v.t.; so *reseed'ment* n.; *reshape'* v.t.; *reshu'fle* v.t. (esp. cards); *resole'* v.t.; *respell'* v.t., esp. spell phonetically; *re-*

stamp' v.t.; *restart'* v.t. & i., & n.; *restate'* v.t., esp. put into more intelligible or convincing words; so *restate'ment* n.; *re-stock'* v.t. & i., provide with or take in fresh stock; *resum'm'ons* n., renewed legal summons; *resurvey'* v.t.; so *resurv'ey* n.; *restate'* v.t.; *retell'* v.t.; *retouch'* v.t. (esp. composition, picture, etc.), & n.; *retrim'* v.t.; *retry'* v.t., = *rehear* above; so *retri'al* n.; *returf'* v.t.; *reurge'* v.t.; *revac'cinate* v.t.; so *revaccina'tion* n.; *reval'ue* v.t., assess value of anew; so *revalua'tion* n.; *revic'tual* v.t.; *revis'it* (often ri-) v.t.; *reword'* v.t., change wording of; *rewrite'* v.t.

9. Back, with return to previous state after lapse or cessation or occurrence of opposite state or action, (often corresponding to compounds in DIS- or UN-; many words may be assigned indifferently to 9 or 8); *reaffo'rest* v.t.; so *reaffores'ta'tion* n.; *rean'imate* v.t.; so *reanima'tion* n.; *reappear'* v.i.; so *reappear'ance* n.; *reappoint'* v.t.; so *reappoint'ment* n.; *re-arise'* v.i.; *rearouse'* v.t.; *reascend'* v.i. & t.; *reassem'ble* v.i. & t.; *reassume'* v.t. (now rare, ousted by RESUME); so *reassump'tion* n.; *reassure'* v.t., restore to confidence, dispel apprehensions of; so *reassur'ing* a. (of words, manner, etc.), *reassur'ingly* adv.; *rebar'arize* v.t.; *re-bind'* v.t. (esp. book); *recap'ture* v.t., & n.; *re-cede'* v.t.; so *re-ce'ssion* n.; *recharge'* v.t.; *recharge'* n., amount of substance used in recharging; *reciv'ilize* v.t.; so *reciviliza'tion* n.; *recom'fort* v.t.; *recon-duct'* v.t.; *reconq'uer* v.t.; so *reconq'uest* n.; *reconvert'* v.t.; so *reconver'sion* n.; *recross'* v.t.; *redescend'* v.i. & t.; *redisco'ver* v.t.; so *redisco'very* n.; *re-elect'* v.t.; so *re-elec'tion* n.; *re-el'igible* a.; *re-embark'* v.i. & t.; so *re-embarka'tion* n.; *re-emerge'* v.i.; so *re-em'er'gence* n., *re-em'er'gent* a.; *re-ena'ble* v.t.; *re-enact'* v.t.; so *re-enact'ment* n.; *re-en'ter* v.i. & t. (part. occas. = RE-ENTRANT); *re-en'trance* n.; *re-es'tab'lish* v.t.; so *re-es'tab'lishment* n.; *re-exist'* v.i.; *re-export'* v.t.; *re-ex'port* n., commodity imported & then exported esp. without further manufacture; so *re-exporta'tion* n.; *refill'* v.t.; *réf'ill* n., = *recharge* above; *refloat'* v.t. (stranded ship); *réf'lux* n., backward flow; *refo'rest* v.t., turn into forest again; so *refores'ta'tion* n.; *refurb'ish* v.t.; *regerm'inate* v.i.; so *regermina'tion* n.; *regid'* v.t.; *rehab'il'itate* v.t., restore to privileges, reputation, or proper condition; so *rehabilita'tion* n.; *rehum'anize* v.t.; *reignite'* v.t. & i.; *reimport'* v.t., import (same goods) after exporting; so *reim'port* n.; *reimpose'* v.t.; so *reimpos'tion* n.; *reincorp'orate* v.t.; *reingra'tiate* v.t.; *reinsert'* v.t.; so *reinsert'ion* n.; *reinvest'*² (see also sense 8) v.t., replace in office, with privilege; so *reinvest'iture* n.; *reintegr'ate* v.t.; so *reintegr'a'tion* n.; *rekin'dle* v.t. & i.; *rekin-*

v.t., renew lining of (esp. garment); *reman*'s (see also sense 8) v.t., restore to manhood or courage; *remitigate*' v.i., esp. return after migrating; so *remitigat*'ion n.; *reoccupy*' v.t.; so *reoccupat*'ion n.; *reop*'en v.t. & i.; *reopag*'anize v.t.; *repaint*' v.t., restore paint or colouring of; *repass*' v.t. & i., esp. pass again on way back; so *repass*'age n.; *repeu*'ple v.t.; *repercuss*'ion n., echo, recoll after impact, indirect effect or reaction of event or act; so *repercuss*'ive a.; *repiece*' v.t., put pieces of together again, reconstruct; *repoint*' v.t. (joints of masonry); *repol*'ish v.t.; *repop*'ulate v.t.; *repossess*' v.t.; so *repossess*'ion n.; *repurch*'ase v.t., & n.; *reput*'ify v.t.; *requick*'en v.t.; *resad*'dle v.t. & abs.; *resale*' n., esp. sale of thing bought; so *resal*'able a.; *reseize*' v.t.; so *rescis*'ure n.; *resell*' v.t., esp. sell after buying; *reship*' v.t. & i., put, go, on board ship again; so *reship*'ment n.; *restuff*' v.t.; *retake*' v.t.; *rétake*' n. (Cinemat.), a second photograph(ing) of a scene; *retransfer*' v.t.; so *retrans*'fer n.; *retrans*'form' v.t.; *retranslate*' v.t. (esp. back into the original language); so *retranslat*'ion n.; *retread*' v.t.; *reunite*' v.t. & i.; *revil*'atize v.t.; *rewin*' v.t.

're, colloq. abbr. of *are* appended to *we*, *you*, & *they* (*we're*, *you're*, *they're*).

reach' v.t. & i. 1. Stretch out, extend, (t. & i.; often out etc.; ~ed out his hand, its branches; a dominion ~ing from the Ebro to the Carpathians). 2. Stretch out the hand etc., make ~ing motion or effort lit. or fig., (you must ~ out further; mind ~es forward to an ideal; ship ~es ahead in race). 3. Get as far as, attain to, arrive at, (specified point or object of destination; also abs.), succeed in affecting, either simply or with the hand or instrument or missile or influence, (~ *BOTTOM*!; ~ed land; could not ~ his enemy, esp. in fencing, boxing; how is her conscience to be ~ed?; libels that the ordinary law ~es; the steps by which you ~ the entrance; your letter ~ed me today; every syllable ~ed the audience; has ~ed middle age, its eighth edition; cannot ~ so high, far enough, down, up to it, etc.; as far as eye could ~; my income will not ~ to it). 4. Hand, pass or take with outstretched hand, (~ed him the book; ~ed down his hat). 5. || ~me-down a. & n. (sl.), ready-made, (garment). Hence ~'ABLE a. [OE *ræcan*, cf. Du. *reiken*, G. *reichen*.]

reach' n. 1. Act of reaching out. 2. Extent to which hand etc. can be reached out, influence be exerted, motion be carried out, or mental powers be used, range, scope, compass, (within, above, out of, beyond, one's ~, possible, impossible, of attainment or performance; has a wide ~; within easy ~ of the railway; no help

was within ~). 3. Continuous extent, esp. part of river that can be looked along at once between two bends. 4. (Naut.) length of tack. [f. prec.]

réact' v.i. 1. Produce reciprocal or responsive effect, act upon the agent, (they ~ upon each other; tyranny ~s upon the tyrant, has effects upon him as well as upon his victims); (Chem., of substance applied to another) call out activity, cause manifestation, (nitrous oxide ~s upon the metal). 2. Respond to stimulus, undergo change due to some influence. 3. (Mil.) make counter-attack(s). 4. Be actuated by repulsion against, tend in reverse or backward direction. Hence **réac**'tive a., **réact**'ivity n. [RE-1]

réac'tion, n. 1. Responsive or reciprocal action (esp. action & ~); (Chem.) action set up by one substance in another; **CHAIN** ~. 2. Response of organ etc. to external stimulus; responsive feeling (what was his ~ to this news?). 3. Return of previous condition after interval of opposite (e.g. glow felt after cold bath, depression after excitement). 4. (Mil.) counter-stroke. 5. Retrograde tendency esp. in politics, whence ~ARY¹ (-sho-) a. & (= ~ary person) n., ~IST(2) (-sho-) n. & a. 6. (Wireless) method by which weak signals are strengthened. [RE-1]

read (réd), v.t. & i. (*read*, pr. *réd*), & n. 1. Interpret mentally, declare interpretation or coming development of, divine, (~ dream, riddle, omen, futurity, men's hearts or thoughts or faces; ~ person's hand, as palmist; ~ the sky, as astrologist or meteorologist). 2. (Be able to) convert into the intended words or meaning (written or printed or other symbols or things expressed by their means, or abs.; ~s or can ~ hieroglyphs, shorthand, the clock, the Morse system, music, several languages; does not ~ or write). 3. Reproduce mentally or (often aloud, out, off, etc., or with ind. obj.) vocally, while following their symbols with eyes or fingers, the words of (author, book, tale, letter, etc., or abs.; often over, through, adv.; ~s well, with good intonation etc., expressively; was ~ing Plato; ~ it through six times; does he preach extempore or ~?; have no time to ~; the Bible is the most ~ of all books; ~ one a lesson, admonish him; the Bill was ~ for the first etc. time, was allowed its first etc. **READING**; invalid is ~ to for several hours daily; seldom ~s French, anything written in it). 4. Study (t. & i.) by ~ing (often up; is ~ing law; shall not ~ for honours; || ~ing man, who devotes most of his time to study; has ~ much); (p.p. in active sense as adj. with well, deeply, slightly, little, etc.) versed in subject by ~ing, acquainted with literature. 5. Find (thing) stated, find state-

ment, in print etc. (*revenge, we ~, is wild justice; I have ~ somewhere that . . ., have ~ of it*). 6. Interpret (statement, action) in certain sense (*may be ~ several ways; my silence is not to be ~ as consent*).

7. Assume as intended in or deducible from writer's words, find implications, (*you ~ too much into the text; in their pleas for reform I ~ Protection; ~ between the lines, search for or discover hidden meanings*). 8. (Of editor) give as the word(s) probably used by author (*Bentley ~s porraque; also joc. in correcting statements, as for white ~ black, & the account may be accepted*). 9. Bring into specified state by ~ing (*~ me to sleep, himself stupid, hoarse, etc.; || ~ oneself in, of incumbent, enter upon office by public reading of xxxix articles etc.*). 10. (Of recording instrument) present (figure etc.) to one ~ing it (*thermometer ~s 33°*). 11. Sound or affect hearer or reader well, ill, etc., when ~ (*play ~s better than it acts; ~s like a threat, translation, etc.*). 12. n. Time spent in ~ing (*have a short, long, good, quiet, ~*). [com. Tent.; OE *ræden* consider, discern, cf. Du. *raden*, G *raden*; cogn. w. Skr. *radh*-accomplish]

read'able, a. Interestingly written; (rare) legible. Hence **readabil'ity**, ~leness, nn., ~LY² adv. [-ABLE]

readdress. See RE-8.

read'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: person employed by publisher to read & report on offered MSS.; printer's proof-corrector; person appointed to read aloud, esp. (often *lay* ~) parts of service in church; || lecturer in some universities etc. (~ in *Roman law* etc.); book of selections for use by students of a language etc. *Hanoc* ~SHIP n. (-ER¹)

rea'dily (réd-), adv. Without showing reluctance, willingly; without difficulty (*the facts may ~ be ascertained*). [READY, -LY²]

rea'diness (réd-), n. Prompt compliance, willingness; facility, prompt resourcefulness, quickness in argument or action; ready or prepared state (*all is in ~*). [READY, -NESS]

read'ing, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: literary knowledge (*a man of vast ~*); *first, second, third*, ~, successive occasions on which Bill must have been presented for acceptance to each House before it is ready for royal assent (*first ~, permitting introduction; second, approving general principle; third, accepting details as amended in committee*); entertainment at which something is read to audience (|| *penny ~*, formerly for poor of parish etc.); word(s) read or given by an editor or found in MS. in text of a passage (*the right, true, best, MS., etc., ~; various ~s*); (specified quality of) matter to be read (*is good, dull, ~; there is plenty of ~ in it*); figure etc. shown by graduated instrument (*the ~ difference between day & night ~s*);

interpretation, view taken, rendering, (*what is your ~ of the facts?; his ~ of Iago was generally condemned*); ~desk, for supporting book etc., lectern; ~room, in club etc. for persons wishing to read. [-ING¹]

readjust etc. See RE-8.

rea'dy (réd-), a., adv., n., & v.t. 1. With preparations complete, in fit state, with resolution nerved, willing, apt, inclined, about to, prompt, quick, facile, provided beforehand, within reach, easily secured, unreluctant, easy, fit for immediate use, (*Are you ~? Go!, formula for starting race; ~, present, fire, successive orders, the first = make rifle ~; dinner is ~; are ~ to march; am ~ to risk my life; is too ~ to suspect; was ~ to swear with rage; a bud just ~ to burst; is ~ for death; the ~ ministers of vengeance; is very ~ at excuses, has a ~ pen, wit, whence ~witten² a, etc.; gave a ~ consent; found ~ acceptance; its ~ solubility in water; found an instrument ~ to hand, a ~ source of revenue; the readiest way to do it; make ~, prepare i. & t., as they made ~ for the attempt or to fight, or made everything ~; ~ money, actual coin, also payment on the spot; ~ reckoner, book of ~-reckoned (see adv.) computations of kind commonly wanted in business. 2. adv. (chiefly with p.p., usu. hyphenated, prop. a pred. use of adj.). Beforehand, so as not to require doing when the time comes, (*please pack everything ~; boxes are ~ packed or packed ~; ~built houses; ~made clothes, made in standard shapes & sizes, not to customer's individual measure; ~made shop, selling these*); (rare exc. in comp. & superl.) quickly (*the child that answers readiest*). 3. n. Position in which rifle is held before the present (*come to the ~ etc.*); (sl.) ~ money (*planked down the ~*). 4. v.t. (racing sl.). Qualify (horse) for good handicap in race by preventing its winning in another. [ME *redig* perh. f. OE *gerede* = MHG *geret*, cf. G *bereit*, +Y² on false anal.]*

reaffirm etc., see RE-8; **reafforest** etc., RE-9.

rea'gency, n. Reactive power or operation (see REACT).

rea'gent, n. (Chem.) substance used to detect presence of another by REACTION; reactive substance or force (see REACT).

re'al¹ (ré-, rā-), n. Former silver coin & money of account used in Spain and Spanish-speaking countries (the ~ *de plata* being worth 61d., and the ~ *de vellón*, of base metal, 24d.). [Sp., n. use of adj. f. L *regalis* REGAL]

ré'al², a. 1. Actually existing as a thing or occurring in fact, objective, genuine, rightly so called, natural, sincere, not merely apparent or nominal or supposed or pretended or artificial or hypocritical or affected, (~ money, coin, cash; the ~

presence, of Christ's body & blood in the Eucharist as disputed by theologians; *a ~ object & its image; ~ & paper roses; effected a ~ cure; should like a ~ fine day; ~ life*, that lived by actual people, opp. fictitious & dramatic imitations; *there is no ~ doubt about it; who is the ~ manager?; is a ~ man*, unaffected, also worthy of the name; *the ~ thing*, not a makeshift or inferior article). 2. (Law; cf. PERSONAL) consisting of immovable property such as lands or houses (esp. ~ estate). 3. (Philos.) having an absolute & necessary & not merely contingent existence. 4. abs. *The ~*, what is ~, esp. opp. the ideal (also rarely as n. with pl. = ~ thing, as *I deal only with ~s*). [f. LL *realis* (res thing, -AL)]

réal'gar, n. Disulphide of arsenic, red arsenic, red orpiment, used as pigment & in fireworks. [med. L. f. Arab. *rehj al-ghdr* powder of the cave]

ré'al'ism, n. 1. Scholastic doctrine that universals or general ideas have objective existence (cf. *nominalism*, *conceptualism*). 2. Belief that matter as object of perception has real existence (cf. *idealism*). 3. Practice of regarding things in their true nature & dealing with them as they are, freedom from prejudice & convention, practical views & policy, (cf. *idealism*). 4. Fidelity of representation, truth to nature, insistence upon details. So ~ISM(2) n. & a., ~IS'TIO a., ~IS'TIOALLY adv. [-ISM] **réal'ity**, n. Property of being real; resemblance to original (*reproduced with startling ~*); real existence, what is real, what underlies appearances, (in ~, in fact, opp. *in words*, *in appearance*, etc.); existent thing; real nature of. [f. med. L. *realitas* (REAL¹, -TY)]

ré'aliz'e, v.t. 1. Convert (hope, plan, etc.) into fact (usu. pass.). 2. Give apparent reality to, make realistic, present as real, (*these details help to ~ the scene*); conceive as real, apprehend clearly or in detail (noun, *that, how*, etc.). 3. Convert (securities, property) into money (often abs., = sell one's property); amass (fortune, specified profit); fetch as price. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ATION n. [-IZE]

really (r'i'all), adv. In fact, in reality, (often ~ & truly); positively, indeed, I assure you, I mean what I say, I protest; ~?, do you mean it?, is that so? [-LY²]

realien (ré'li), n. Kingdom (chiefly rhet., & in some legal phrr., as *the laws of the ~*, *persons who are out of the ~*); sphere, province, domain, (*the ~ of fancy, poetry*, etc.). [f. OF *realiem* f. pop. L. **regalimen* (REGAL, -MEN)]

Realpolitik (ré'al'i' pól'it'ek'), n. Policy of placing the material greatness and success of one's own nation before all other considerations. [G. = real politics]

***ré'alt'ôr**, n. Real-estate agent (prop. one who is a member or affiliated member of the National Association of Real Estate Boards). [U.S., f. toll. + -OR]

ré'al'ty, n. Real estate (cf. *personally*). [-TY]

ream¹, n. Twenty quires or 480 sheets of paper (often 500, to allow for waste; *printers' ~*, 516); (often pl.) large quantity of paper (*wrote ~s & ~s of verse*). [ult. f. Arab. *riemah* bundle, cf. Du. *riem*, OF *remme*, It. *risma*]

ream², v.t. Widen (hole in metal) with borer or ~ER¹(2) n.; turn over edge of (cartridge-case etc.); (Naut.) open (beam) for caulking. [OE *rieman* (ROOM), cf. G *räumen*]

ream³, n. (dial., esp. SW. Eng.). Raw cream. [OE]

reanimate etc. See RE-9.

reap, v.i. & t. Cut (grain or similar crop), cut grain etc., with sickle in harvest; gather in thus or with machine or fig. as harvest (~ as one has sown, *sow wind & ~ whirlwind*, ~ the fruits of, take consequences of one's actions; ~ where one has not sown, profit by others' toil); harvest crop of (field etc.); ~ing-hook, sickle; ~ing-machine, for cutting grain & often binding sheaves without manual labour. Hence ~ER¹(1, 2) n. [OE *ripan*, excl. E] **reappear**, see RE-8; **reappear** etc., **re-appoint** etc., RE-9.

rear¹, n. Hindmost part of army or fleet (*hang on the ~ of*, follow with view to attacking); back of, space behind, position at back of, army or camp or person (*bring close up the ~*, come last; *take enemy in ~*, attack from behind; *saw them far in the ~*, behind; *was sent to the ~ for safety*); back part of anything (*at the ~ of*, behind); || (colloq.) water-closet or latrine; ~, ~ attrib., hinder, back-; so ~MOST a.; ~admiral, flag-officer below vice-admiral; ~guard, body of troops detached to protect ~ esp. in retreats (~guard action, engagement between ~guard & enemy); ~ward n. [f. AF *re-ward*=~guard], ~ (esp. in prep. phrr., as *to ~ward of*, in the ~ward); ~ward a. & adv., ~wards adv., towards the ~ [-WARD(8)]. [shortened f. ARREAR]

rear², v.t. & i. 1. Raise, set upright, build, uplift, hold upwards, (rhet.; ~ a pillar, cathedral, etc.; ~ed his mighty stature; ~ one's head, one's voice, a hand, etc.). 2. Raise, bring up, breed, foster, nourish, educate, cultivate, grow, (cattle, game, children, crops, etc.). 3. (Of horse etc.; intr. & rarely refl.) rise, raise itself, on hind feet. Hence ~ER¹ n. [OE *reāran*, native form corresp. to & largely ousted by RAISE]

rear-arch, ré're', n. Inner arch of window or door opening when of different

size etc. from the outer. [f. *F* *arrière* see ARREAR]

rearise, see RE-9; **rearm** etc., RE-8; **re-
arouse**, RE-9; **rearrange** etc., RE-8.

rear-vault, n. Vaulted space connecting arched window or door head with arch in inner face of wall. [as REAR-ARCH]

reascend. See RE-9.

reas'on¹ (-z), n. 1. (Fact adduced or serving as) argument, motive, cause, or justification (*give ~s for*; *prove with ~s*; *the woman's ~*, repetition of fact as its own explanation, as in *I love him because I love him*; *for no other ~ than that I forgot*, but *this*; *there is no ~ to suppose*; ~ of *State*, political justification esp. for immoral proceeding; *the ~ of your isolation*, of *eclipses*, is *that—*; *jailed by ~ of its bad organization*; *there was ~ to believe*; *I saw ~ to suspect him*; *he complains with ~*, not unjustifiably). 2. (Log.) one of premisses of syllogism, esp. minor premiss when given after conclusion. 3. The intellectual faculty characteristic esp. of human beings by which conclusions are drawn from premisses (*whether dogs have ~ is really a question of definition*; *there can be no opposition between ~ & common sense*). 4. Intellect personified (*God & ~ are identical*); (as transl. of *G* *Vernunft* in Kant) faculty transcending the understanding (*Versland*) & providing *a priori* principles, intuition. 5. Sanity (*has lost his*, *is restored to*, ~). 6. Sense, sensible conduct, what is right or practical or practicable, moderation, (*without RHYME or ~*; *bring to ~*, induce to cease from vain resistance; *will do anything in ~*, within the bounds of moderation; *it stands to ~*, cannot be denied without paradox, would be generally admitted; *hear or listen to ~*, suffer oneself to be persuaded; *as ~ was*, as good sense bade; *have ~*, arch. or transl. of *F*, be right; *there is ~ in what you say*). Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *raison* f. L *rationem* (*rēri* *rat-* consider, -ION)]

reas'on² (-z), v.i. & t. 1. Use argument with person by way of persuasion. 2. Form or try to reach conclusions by connected thought silent or expressed (from premisses; *about*, *of*, *upon*, subject), whence ~ER¹ n.; discuss *what*, *whether*, *why*, etc.; conclude, assume as step in argument, say by way of argument, *that* (or *parenth.*). 3. Express in logical or argumentative form (a ~ed *exposition*, *manifesto*, *article*; ~ed *amendment*, in which reasons are embodied with a view to directing course of debate). 4. Persuade by argument *out of*, *into* (*tried to ~ him out of his fears*; ~ed *himself into perplexity*). 5. Think out (consequences etc.). Hence ~ING¹ (1) n. [f. OF *raisoner* f. L *rationare* (prec.)]

reas'onable (-z), a. 1. Endowed with reason, reasoning, (rare). 2. Sound of

judgement, sensible, moderate, not expecting too much, ready to listen to reason. 3. Agreeable to reason, not absurd, within the limits of reason, not greatly less or more than might be expected, inexpensive, not extortionate, tolerable, fair. Hence ~LESS² n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *raisonable* (REASON¹, -ABLE)]

reassemble, see RE-9; **reassert**, **re-assess** etc., **reassign**, RE-8; **reassume** etc., **reassure** etc., RE-9.

Réaumur (see Ap.), n. Name of French physicist appended (abbr. R.) to readings of the thermometer introduced by him with freezing-point 0° & boiling-point 80° (a temperature of more than 55° R. or ~). [F]

reave, **reive**, (*rēv*), v.i. & t. (arch., poet.; *rēft*). Commit ravages (usu. *reive*), whence *reiv'ER*¹ (*rēv-*) n.; forcibly deprive of (esp. in p.p.); take by force, carry off, (*away*, *from*). [com.-Teut.; OE *reafian*, cf. Du. *rooven*, G *rauben*]

rebaptize etc., see RE-8; **rebarbarize**, RE-9.

|| **rebâte**¹, v.t. (arch.). Diminish, reduce force or effect of; blunt, dull. [f. OF *rabatre* (RE-5, ABATE)]

rēb'âte² (also *ribât'*), n. Deduction from sum to be paid, discount, drawback. [f. *F* *rabat* (prec.)]

rebate³ (*rāb'it*, *ribāt'*), n., & v.t. = **REBET**. **rēb'éc(k)**, n. Medieval three-stringed instrument, early form of fiddle. [f. *F* *rebec* var. of OF *rebebe* f. Arab. *rebab*]

rēb'el¹, n. Person who rises in arms against, resists, or refuses allegiance to, the established government; person or thing that resists authority or control; (attrib.) rebellious, of ~s, in rebellion. [orig. a. & n.; the pred. a. use now obs.; f. *F* *rebelle* f. L *rebellis* (RE-2, bellum war)] **rēbél**², v.i. (-ll-). Act as rebel (*against*); feel or manifest repugnance to some custom etc. (*against*). [f. *F* *rebeller* f. L *rebellare* make war] revolt, RE-2]

rēbél'ion (-lyon), n. Organized armed resistance to established government (*the Great R-*, period of English history 1642-60); open resistance to any authority. [f. *F* *rébellion* f. L *rebellionem* (REBEL¹, -ION)] **rēbél'lous** (-lyus), a. In rebellion, disposed to rebel, insubordinate, defying lawful authority; (of diseases, things) difficult to treat, unmanageable, refractory. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [as REBEL¹ or prec. + -OUS]

rēbél'ow (-ō), v.i. & t. (poet.). Re-echo loudly. [RE-6; after L *re(bare* bellow), RE-6]

rebind, see RE-9; **rebirth** etc., **rebite**, RE-8.

rēb'iant, a. (poet.). Rebellowing, resounding, re-echoing. [f. L *rebears* RE-BELLOW, -ANT]

rebound¹, v.i. Spring back after impact; have reactive effect, recall upon agent

(our evil example will ~ upon ourselves). [f. OF *rebonder* (RE-1, BOUND³)]

rebóund', n. Act of rebounding, recoil; reaction after emotion (*take one on or at the ~*, utilize such reaction to persuade him to contrary action etc.). [f. prec.]

rebüff', n., & v.t. 1. Cheek given to one who makes advances, proffers help or sympathy, shows interest or curiosity, makes request, etc., repulse, snub. 2. v.t. Give ~ to. [f. obs. F *rebuffe(r)* f. It. *ribuffo*, *ribuffare*, (RE-2, *buffo* puff)]

rebuild. See RE-8.

rebük'e, v.t., & n. 1. Reprove, reprimand, censure authoritatively; hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed; a reproof. [f. ONF *rebuker*=OF *bucher* beat], RE-5]

rebüs, n. Enigmatic representation of name, word, etc., by pictures etc. suggesting its syllables. [prob.=abl. pl. of L *res* thing; origin of sense (in F & E) doubtful]

rebüt', v.t. (-tt-). Force or turn back, give check to; refute, disprove, (evidence, charge), whence ~t'AL(2), ~MENT, ~t'ER⁴ (see SURREBUT), nn. [f. OF *re(buter BUTT)*], RE-9]

recál'citr|áte, v.i. Kick against or at rules etc., refuse compliance, be refractory. So ~ANT(1) a. & n., ~ANCE, ~A'TION, nn. [f. L *re(calcitrare* strike with heel f. *calc-cis* heel), RE-2, -ATE³]

recál|ésece', v.i. Grow hot again (esp. in techn. use of iron allowed to cool from white heat, which recovers heat at certain point for short time). Hence ~ÉS'CENCE n. [f. L *re(calescere* grow hot), RE-9]

recall' (-awl), v.t. Summon back from a place or from different occupation, inattention, digression, etc.; cancel appointment of (official sent to distance, esp. overseas); bring back to memory, serve as reminder of, recollect, remember; revive, resuscitate; revoke, annul, (action, decision), take back (gift). Hence ~ABLE a. [RE-9]

recall' (-awl), n. Summons to come back; cancelling of appointment abroad; signal to ship etc. to return; possibility of recalling esp. in sense of annulling (esp. beyond, past, ~). [RE-9]

recánt', v.t. & i. Withdraw & renounce (opinion, statement, etc.) as erroneous or heretical; disavow former opinion, esp. with public confession of error. Hence **recánta'tion** n. [f. L *re(cantare* sing) revoke, RE-7]

recapitulate etc., see RE-8; **recapture**, RE-9; **recast**, RE-8.

recéde', v.i. Go or shrink back or farther off; be left by observer's motion at increasing distance; slope backwards; withdraw (from engagement, opinion, etc.); decline in character or value. [f. L *re(cedere* go), RE-5]

réceipt' (-sét), n., & v.t. 1. = RECIPE. 2. Amount of money received. 3. Fact or action of receiving or being received into person's hands or possession (*on ~ of a postal order for 10/- the goods will be sent; beg to acknowledge ~ of your book; entrusted with the ~ of subscriptions*); written acknowledgement of such ~ esp. of payment of sum due. 4. (arch.). Place where money is officially received, esp. ~ of custom, custom-house. 5. v.t. Write or print ~ on (bill). [ME *receit* f. ONF *receite* f. L *recepta* fem. p.p. of *recipere* RECEIVE w. -p- inserted on L]

réceive' (-sév), v.t. 1. Accept delivery of, take (proffered thing) into one's hands or possession, (*Lord, ~ my soul, dying man's prayer; ~ stolen goods, as thief's accomplice; ~ person's confession, oath, consent to hear; ~ a petition, take it to consider; ~ the sacraments, eat & drink the bread & wine, also abs., as attend without receiving*). 2. Bear up against, stand force or weight of, encounter with opposition, (~d his body in their hands; arch ~s weight of roof; ~d the second-point with his shield; prepare to ~ cavalry, order to infantry). 3. Admit, consent or prove able to hold, provide accommodation for, submit to, serve as receptacle of, (*had to ~ the visits, attentions, of; ~ an impression, stamp, mark, etc., be marked lit. or fig. more or less permanently with it; sensitive paper ~s the record of signals; the basin that ~d his blood; the house ~d a new guest; hole large enough to ~ two men; fitted to ~ the knowledge of God; has ~d our yoke; town ~s a French garrison; was ~d into the Church, admitted to membership*). 4. Entertain as guest, greet, welcome, give specified reception to, (*shall not be ~d at my house; he that ~th me ~th him that sent me; you stay here & ~ him; how did she ~ his offer?; was ~d with cries of Judas; news was ~d with horror; I ~ it as certain, as a prophecy, regard it in that light*); (abs.) ~ company, hold reception. 5. Give credit to, accept as true, (*an axiom universally ~d; they ~ not our report*), whence **received'** (-sév'd) a. 6. Acquire, get, come by, be given or provided with, have sent to or conferred or inflicted on one, (*have not yet ~d my dividend; ~ a letter, news; a window that has not ~d a frame; ~ the name of John; ~ Christ in baptism, have Christian character conferred; pleasant to ~ sympathy; deserves more attention than it ~s; ~ orders to march; ~d many insults, a thrust, a broken jaw, the contents of his pistol*); partake of. Hence **réceiv'ABLE** (-sév-) a. [f. ONF *receivre* f. L *re(cipere*=capere take) recover, RE-9]

réceiv'er (-sév-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: person appointed by court's *receiving-*

order to administer property of bankrupt or property under litigation, whence ~SHIP n.; person who receives stolen goods, fence; receptacle etc. for receiving something in machine or instrument, esp. earpiece of telephone; apparatus for transforming broadcast waves into sound or light, wireless receiving-set. [-RE¹]

recén'sion (-shn), n. Revision of, revised, text. [f. L *recensio* f. *re(censere)* review, RE-8]

ré'cent, a. Not long past, that happened or existed lately, late; not long established, lately begun, modern. Hence

ré'CENCY n., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *recens* -entis]

récép'tacle, n. Containing vessel, place, or space; (Bot.) common base of floral organs, axis of cluster. [f. L *receptaculum* (recept- p.p. st. of *recipere* RECEIVE)]

récép'tion, n. 1. Receiving or being received (rare in gen. sense); receiving esp. of person, being received, into a place or company (*the rooms were prepared for his ~; was honoured by ~ into the Academy*; || ~ order, authorizing ~ of lunatic in asylum). 2. Formal or ceremonious welcome (*the ~ of the delegates is arranged for Monday next*); occasion of receiving guests, assembly held for this purpose, (*after the review there will be a ~; ~room*, available for receiving company, esp. opp. *bedroom*). 3. Receiving of ideas or impressions into the mind (*has a great faculty of ~, but little origiative power*); (rare) mental acceptance, recognition of something as true or advisable, (*the general ~ of the Newtonian hypothesis*). 4. Welcome or greeting of specified kind, demonstration of feeling towards person or project, (*warm ~, vigorous resistance or enthusiastic welcome; his ~ was frigid, all that he could desire; proposal, book, had a favourable ~*). 5. Receiving of wireless signals, or the efficiency with which they are received. Hence ~IST (3) (-sho-) n., person employed by photographer, dentist, etc., to receive clients. [f. L *receptio* (as prec., -ION)]

récép'tive, a. Able or quick to receive impressions or ideas (*a mind more ~ than retentive or creative*); (rare) concerned with receiving. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, **récép'tiv'ity**, nn. [f. med. L *receptivus* (as prec., -IVE)]

récess', n., & v.t. 1. Temporary cessation from work, vacation, esp. of Parliament; receding of water, land, glacier, etc., from previous limit, amount by which it recedes. recession, (rare); retired or secret place (*in the inmost ~es of the Alps, of the heart*); receding part of mountain chain etc., niche or alcove of wall; (Anat.) fold or indentation in organ. 2. v.t. Place in a ~, set back; provide with ~(s). [f. L *recessus* (recess- p.p. st. of *RECEDERE*)]

récés'sion (-shn), n. Receding, with-

drawal, from a place or point; receding part of object, recess; *slump in trade. So **récess'IVE** a. & n., (also, Mendelism, of a) characteristic appearing in the second or later generation of hybrids, inherited from one of the original parents but suppressed in the first generation (cf. DOMINANT). [f. L *recessio* (as prec., -ION)]

récés'sional (-sho-), a. & n. ~ hymn or ~, hymn sung while clergy & choir withdraw after service (*the R~*, poem of Kipling in *The Five Nations* sung on imperial occasions); of the parliamentary recess. [-AL]

Réch'abite (-k-), n. Total abstainer. [*Rechab*, see *Jer. xxxv. 6*, -ITE¹(1)]

recharge. See RE-9.

réchauffé (rishôf'â, & see Ap.), n. Warmed-up dish; rehash (RE-8). [F]

recherché (reshârfsh'â, & see Ap.), a. Devised or got with care or difficulty, choice, far-fetched, thought out, (esp. of meals or words). [F]

rechristen. See RE-8.

récid'iv'ist, n. One who relapses into crime. So ~ISM n. [f. F *récidiviste* f. L *recidivus* f. *re(cidere)*=cadere fall), RE-9, -IVE, -IST]

ré'cipe, n. Medical prescription or remedy prepared from it; statement of ingredients & procedure for preparing dish etc.; expedient, nostrum, device for effecting something. [2nd sing. imperat. as used (abbr. Rx.) in prescriptions of L *recipere* RECEIVE]

récip'ient, a. & n. 1. Receptive, whence ~ENCY n. 2. n. Person who receives something. [f. L *recipere* RECEIVE, -ENT]

récip'ocal, a. & n. 1. In return (*if I helped him, I had ~ help from him*); mutual (~ love, protection, injuries); inversely correspondent, complementary, (*I took the chamote for a man, & it made the ~ mistake*); (Gram.) expressing mutual action or relation ('each other' is a ~ pronoun), (formerly also) reflexive; hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. (math.). Function or expression so related to another that their product is unity (*1/5 is the ~ of 5*). [f. L *reciprocus* (prob. f. *re-* back & *pro* forward), -AL]

récip'roc'ate, v.t. & i. (Mech.) go with alternate backward & forward motion (~ating engine etc., with work done by part that moves thus, opp. *rotatory* see ROTATE²), give such motion to; give & receive mutually, interchange, (influence etc.); return, requite, (affection etc.), make a return (often with thing given in return). So ~ATION n. [f. L *reciprocare* (prec., -ATE²)]

récipró'city, n. Reciprocal condition, mutual action; principle or practice of give-&-take, esp. interchange of privileges between States as basis of commercial relations. [f. F *réciprocité* (RECIPROCAL, -ITY)]

récít'al, a. ~1. Detailed account of a

number of connected things or facts, relation of the facts of an incident etc., a narrative. 2. Part of document stating facts. 3. Act of reciting; performance of programme by one musician (*vocal, piano-forte*, etc., ~). [RECITE, -AL]

recitative' (-év), n. Musical declamation of kind usual in narrative & dialogue parts of opera & oratorio; words, part, given in ~. [f. It. *recitativo* (foll., -IVE)]

recite', v.t. & i. Repeat aloud or declaim (poem, passage) from memory esp. before audience, give recitation (*reciting-note*, that held on for indefinite number of syllables in chanting); (Law) rehearse (facts) in document; mention in order, enumerate. So **recitation** n. [f. L *recitare* CITA], RE-8]

reciter, n. Person who recites; book of passages for recitation. [-ER¹]

recivilize etc. See RE-9.

reck, v.i. & t. (rhet., poet., in neg. & interrog. sentences only). ~ *of*, pay heed to, take account of, care about; care, be troubled, concern oneself, (*if, though, that, how, whether*, etc., or abs.; also impers. with same construction following, as *what ~s it him that . . . ?*). [com.-Teut.; OE *reccan*, cf. OHG *ruochen*, ON *rækja*]

reckless, a. Devoid of caution, regardless of consequences, rash; heedless of danger etc. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *recoelás* (prec., -LESS)]

reck'on, v.t. & i. 1. Ascertain (number, amount), ascertain number or amount of, by counting or usu. by calculation, compute; start *from*, go on to, in counting (t. & i.); count *up*, sum *up* character of; arrive at as total (*I ~ 53 of them*). 2. Include in computation, count *in*, place in class *among* or *with* or *in*, take *for*, regard *as*, consider to be (or with obj. & compl. as ~ *him wise, beyond redemption*). 3. Conclude after calculation, be of the confident opinion, (*that*; also, chiefly U.S., parenth., cf. *calculate, guess*). 4. Make calculations, cast *up* account or sum, (~ *without* one's host²), settle accounts *with* person. 5. Rely on count or base plans *upon*. [OE (ge)reccan, cf. MDu. *rekenen*, G *rechnen*; cogn. w. RECK]

reck'oner (-kn-), n. In vbl senses; esp., READY ~. [-ER¹]

reck'oning (-kn-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: tavern bill; day of ~, time when something must be atoned for or avenged; DEAD ~; out in one's ~, mistaken in a calculation or expectation. [-ING¹]

reclaim', v.t. & i. & n. 1. Win back or *sway* from vice or error or savagery or *wild* condition, reform, tame, civilise, bring under cultivation, whence ~ABLE ~; make protest, say in protest, (rare); re-reclaim² n. 2. n. ~ing, reclama-
tion; (rare; chiefly in past or beyond ~).

[f. OF *reclamer* f. L *reclamare* shout] cry out against, RE-2]

reclame (rāk'lahm, & see Ap.), n. Art or practice by which notoriety is secured. [F]

reclinate, a. (bot.). Bending down-wards. [f. L *reclinatus* (foll., -AT²)]

recline', v.t. & i. Lay (esp. one's head, body, limbs) in more or less horizontal or recumbent position (p.p. of person, lying thus); assume or be in recumbent position, lie or lean, sit with back or side supported at considerable inclination; (fig.) rely confidently *upon*. [f. L *reclinare* (RE-9), see DECLINE¹]

recliothe. See RE-8.

recluse' (-lōs), a. & n. (Person) given to or living in seclusion or retirement or isolation, esp. as religious discipline, hermit, anchorite or anchoress. [F (-us, -use) p.p. of *recludere* f. L *recludere*=*claudere* shut], RE-4]

recoil, **recoat**. See RE-8.

recogni'tion, n. In vbl senses (RECOGNIZE). So **recog'nitory** a. (rare). [f. L *recognitio* (RECOGNIZE, -ION)]

recog'nizance (or -kōn'), n. Bond by which person engages before court or magistrate to observe some condition, e.g. to keep the peace, pay a debt, or appear when summoned; sum pledged as surety for such observance. [f. OF *reconnaissance* (*reconnoistre* RECOGNIZE, -ANCE)]

recog'nizant (or -kōn'), a. Showing recognition (of favour etc.), conscious or showing consciousness of something. [as foll., see -ANT]

rec'ognize, v.t. 1. Acknowledge validity or genuineness or character or claims or existence of, accord notice or consideration to, discover or realize nature of, treat *as*, acknowledge *for*, realize or admit *that*. 2. Know again, identify as known before. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ABILITY n., ~ABLY² adv. [f. OF *reconuiss*-part. st. of *reconnoistre* f. L *re(cognoscere* -gnitum learn), RE-8, w. assim. to -RE]

recoil', v.i., & n. 1. Retreat before enemy (now rare); start or spring back, shrink mentally, in fear or horror or disgust; rebound after impact, (of fire-arms) be driven backwards by discharge, kick. 2. n. Act or fact or sensation of ~ing. [n. f. vb. f. OF *reculer* (RE-9, *cul* the posterior f. L *culus*)]

recoin etc. See RE-8.

recollect', v.t. Succeed in remembering, recall to mind, remember. [f. p.p. st. of L *re(colligere* COLLECT²), RE-8]

recollect'ion, n. Act, power, of recollecting; thing recollected, reminiscence; person's memory, time over which it extends, (*it is in my ~ion that I remember that*; *happened within my ~ion*). So ~IVE a. [f. med. L *recollectio* (prec., -ION)]

recolonize etc., **recolour**, **recombine** etc., see RE-8; **recomfort**, RE-9; **recommence** etc., RE-8.

recommēnd', v.t. 1. Give (oneself, one's spirit, a child, etc.) in charge to God or a person or his care etc. 2. Speak or write of or suggest as fit for employment or favour or trial (to person, or with ind. obj. as *can you ~ me a cook, a book?*; as servant etc.; for post). 3. (Of qualities, conduct, etc.) make acceptable, serve as recommendation of. 4. Advise (course of action or treatment, person to do, *that* thing should be done). Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~ABLE, ~ATORY, aa. [f. med. L *recommēdare* COMMEND], RE-5]

recommit etc. See RE-8.

recompēnsē, v.t., & n. 1. Requite, reward or punish, (person, action, person for action, action to person or with ind. obj.); make amends to (person) or for (another's loss, injury, etc., or rarely one's own misconduct). 2. n. Reward, requital, atonement or satisfaction given for injury, retribution. [f. OF *recompenser* f. LL *recompensare* COMPENSARE], RE-1]

recompose, **recompound**. See RE-8.

reconcile, v.t. 1. Make friendly after estrangement (persons to one another, person to or with another, person to oneself). 2. Purify (consecrated place etc.) by special service after desecration. 3. Make resigned or contentedly submissive (to disagreeables, to doing, or abs.; usu. in pass.). 4. Heal, compose, (quarrel etc.). 5. Harmonize, make compatible, show compatibility of by argument or in practice, (apparently conflicting facts, statements, qualities, actions, or one such with or & or rarely to another). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ABILITY, ~EMENT (-im-), **reconcilia'tion**, nn. [f. L *reconciliare* CONCILIARE], RE-9]

recondite (or rikōn't), a. (Of subjects of knowledge) abstruse, out of the way, little known; (of author or style) dealing in ~ knowledge or allusion, obscure. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *reconditus* p.p. of *condere* hide], RE-4]

recondition, v.t. Overhaul & refit, rehabilitate, renovate. [RE-8]

reconduct. See RE-9.

reconn'aissance (-nis-), n. Military or naval examination of tract by detachment to locate enemy or ascertain strategic features (~ *in force*, made by strong party); reconnoitring party; preliminary survey made by anyone for any purpose. [F (earlier *-aissance*), as foll., -ANCE]

reconnaitre (-ter), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make reconnaissance of (enemy, district), approach & try to learn position & condition etc. of; make reconnaissance. 2. n. (rare). Reconnaissance. Hence ~RE¹ n. [f. F *reconnaître* f. L *recognoscere* RECOGNIT],

reconquer etc., see RE-9;

etc., **reconstitute** etc., **reconstruct** etc., RE-8; **reconvert** etc., RE-9.

récord'¹, v.t. 1. (Of birds) practise (tune, or abs.) by singing in an undertone. 2. Register, set down for remembrance or reference, put in writing or other legible shape, represent in some permanent form, (*his thoughts have been ~ed for us by himself, his features by Watts, & his voice by the phonograph*; ~ing angel, who registers men's good & bad actions; *minimum thermometer ~ed 10° below zero*). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *recorder* f. L *recordare* (classical *-ari*) remember (RE-, cor heart)]

récord'², n. 1. State of being recorded or preserved in writing esp. as authentic legal evidence (*is on ~*, legally or otherwise recorded; *matter of ~*, something established as fact by being recorded; *court of ~*, whose proceedings are recorded & valid as evidence of fact). 2. Official report of proceedings & judgement in cause before court of ~, copy of pleadings etc. constituting case to be decided by court (*travel out of, keep to, the ~*, introduce, abstain from introducing, irrelevant matter). 3. || (Public) R~ Office, building in London in which State papers and other public documents are stored, calendared, etc. 4. Piece of recorded evidence or information, account of fact preserved in permanent form, document or monument preserving it; ~off the ~, unofficial(y); object serving as memorial of something, portrait etc.; series of marks etc. given by recording instrument or plate etc. containing these (*second-hand gramophone ~s for sale*). 5. Facts known about person's past (*has an honourable ~ of service; his ~ is against him*). 6. Best performance or most remarkable event of its kind on ~ (*break or cut or beat the ~*, outdo all predecessors); (attrib.) best hitherto recorded (*at ~ pace; the ~ height*). [OF (prec.)]

récord'er, n. In vbl senses; also: city or borough magistrate with criminal & civil jurisdiction || & holding court of Quarter sessions, whence ~SHIP n.; recording-apparatus in instruments; vertical (English) flute [RECORD¹, 1st sense]. [-RE¹(4), -RE¹]

récord'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp. (Wireless) process of registering sound for subsequent reproduction, material (disk, film, magnetic steel tape) on which sound has been registered, sound-programme registered & reproduced. [-RG¹]

récount'¹, v.t. Narrate, tell in detail. [f. ONF *recounten* COUNT¹], RE-8]

ré-count'². See RE-8.

récoup' (-ōp), v.t. & i. (Law) deduct, keep back, (part of sum due), make such deduction; compensate (person, *him*, person for loss, loss; ~ oneself, recover what one has expended or lost); f

~MENT *n.* [*f. F re(couper* cut, see *COUR*), RE-5]

récourse' (-ôrs), *n.* Resorting or betaking of oneself to possible source of help (~ to brandy is deprecated; usu. in phr. *have ~ to*, adopt as adviser, helper, or expedient); thing resorted to (rare; *their usual ~ is perjury*); without ~ (Commerce, Law), formula used by indorser of a bill etc. to indicate that he disclaims responsibility for non-payment. [*f. F recours* *f. L re(cursus* COURSE¹), RE-9]

réco'ver' (-kü-), *v.t. & i.*, & *n.* 1. Regain possession or use or control of, acquire or find (out) again, reclaim, (*has ~ed his kingdom, his friends' affection, the meaning of the hieroglyphs, the track, health, his appetite, his voice, much land from the sea*; ~ oneself, regain consciousness or calmness or control of limbs or senses; *horse ~s itself after stumble*; ~ one's legs, stand up after fall). 2. Secure restitution or compensation, secure (damages), by legal process (*plaintiff shall ~ according to verdict; his remedy is to ~ in a court of law; an action to ~ damages for false imprisonment*). 3. Bring or come back to life, consciousness, health, or normal state or position (*he ~ed slowly; the mention of a bucket of water ~ed her; I ~ed the head of his body with fomentations; corpse cannot be ~ed to life; ~ed me from a lingering illness; am quite ~ed from my cold; sat down to ~ from his agitation; ~ sword, bring it back after thrust etc.*, or, Mil., hold it upright with hilt opposite mouth). 4. Retrieve, make up for, get over, cease to feel effects of, (*must try to ~ lost time; never ~ed the blow, his losses, this faux pas*). 5. Make one's way back to (rare; ~ed the shore with difficulty); hence ~ABLE *a.* 6. *n.* Position to which sword etc. is brought back in fencing or drill, act of coming to this. [*f. OF recover* *f. L recuperare* RECOVERATE]

re-cover'. See RE-8.

réco'very' (-kü-), *n.* Act or process of RECOVER^{ing} or being recovered. [*f. OF recovree* (RECOVER¹, -Y⁴)]

réc'rélate, *a. & n.* (rhet., poet.). Craven, coward(ly), apostate. Hence ~ANCY *n.*, ~antly² *adv.* [OF, part. of *re(croire* *f. L credere* entrust), RE-6, yield in trial by combat]

réc'rélate', *v.t. & i.* (Of pastime, relaxation, holiday, employment, etc., or refl. of person indulging in them) refresh, entertain, agreeably occupy, (*it ~ates him to invent histories for his neighbours; ~ates himself with cricket, climbing, lying in a hammock, political argument*); amuse oneself, indulge in ~ation. Hence ~ATION *n.*, ~ATIVE *a.* [*f. L re(cicare* CREATE), RE-8, -ATE¹]

re-create' etc. See RE-8.

réc'rément, *n.* Waste product, refuse, (now rare); (Physiol.) fluid separated from blood & again absorbed in it, e.g. saliva, bile. Hence ~I'TOUS¹ (-ishus) *a.* [*f. L re(crementum* *f. cernere* cret- sift, RE-5, -MENT)]

récrim'inâte, *v.i.* Retort accusation, indulge in mutual or counter charges. So ~ATION *n.*, ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, *aa.* [*f. med. L re(criminari* *f. crimen*, CRIME), RE-1]

recross. See RE-9.

récrud'êscer' (-ôô-), *v.i.* (Of sore, disease, etc., or fig. of discontent etc.) break out again. So ~ES'CENT *a.*, ~ES'CECE *n.* *f. L re(crudescere* *f. crudus* raw, see -ESCENT), RE-8]

récrui't' (-rôôt), *n.* Newly enlisted & not yet trained soldier; person who joins a society etc.; tiro (often raw ~). (earlier sense reinforcement, *f. obs. F recrue* = *recrue* fem. p.p. of *re(croître*, OF *creistre*, *f. L crescere* increase), RE-8]

récrui't' (-rôôt), *v.t. & i.* 1. Enlist recruits for (army, regiment, crew, society, party), enlist (person) as recruit, get or seek recruits (esp. ~ing-sergeant). 2. Replenish, fill up deficiencies or compensate wear & tear in, refresh, reinvigorate. 3. (Seek to) recover health etc. (*has gone to the country to ~*), whence ~AL(2) *n.* Hence ~MENT (-rôô-) *n.* [*f. F recruter* (obs. *recrute*, see prec.)]

réc'tal, *a.* Of or by the rectum. [-AL]

réc'tangle (-nggl), *n.* Plane rectilinear four-sided figure with four right angles, esp. one with adjacent sides unequal. [*f. LL rectiangulus* (rectus straight, ANGLE¹) right-angled]

réctáng'ular (-ngg-), *a.* Shaped, having base or sides or section shaped, like rectangle; placed, having parts or lines placed, at right angles. Hence ~ITY (-â'r-) *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [as prec., -AR¹]

réc'tify, *v.t.* 1. Put right, correct, amend, reform, adjust, (method, calculation, statement, position, instrument). 2. Abolish, get rid of, exchange for what is right, (abuse, anomaly, error, omission, grievance). 3. (Chem.) purify or refine by renewed distillation or other process. 4. (Geom.) find straight line equal to (curve). Hence or cogn. ~FIABLE *a.*, ~FICA'TION *n.*, ~FIER¹ (1, 2) *n.*, (also, Wire-less) thermionic valve or other device transforming an alternating to a direct current. [*f. F rectifier* *f. LL rectificare* (L rectus right, -FY)]

réctil'in' (-ear, -éal, aa. In or forming a straight line; bounded or characterized by straight lines. Hence ~ÉA'RTY *n.*, ~EARLY² *adv.* [*f. LL rectilíneus* (L rectus straight, linea LINE²), -AR¹, -AL]

réc'titude, *n.* Moral uprightness, righteousness; (rare) correctness, rightness. [*F, L LL rectitudo* (L rectus right, -TUD²)]

réc'tō, n. Right-hand page of open book; front of leaf (opp. *verso*). [f. L *recto* (*folio*) on the right (leaf)]

réc'tor, n. 1. || Parson of parish whose tithes are not inappropriate (cf. *VICAR*). 2. Head of university, college, school, or religious institution (esp. abroad; in England only of heads of Exeter & Lincoln Colleges, Oxford; in Scotland of headmasters of some secondary schools etc., & see *LORD* ~), whence **réc'tress**¹ n. Hence ~*ATE*¹, ~*SHIP*, nn., **réc'tōr'ial** a. (|| also as n. = *al* election). [L. = ruler (*regere* *rect-* rule, -*OR*²)]

réc'tor'y, n. || Rector's benefice; rector's house. [f. med. L *rectoria* (prec., -*Y*¹)]

réc'tum, n. Final section of large intestine, terminating at anus. [f. L *rectum* (*intestinum*) straight (intestine)]

récūm'bent, a. Lying down, reclining. Hence ~*ENCY* n., ~*ENTLY*² adv. [f. L *recumbere* lie, RE-9, -*ENT*¹]

récūp'erjāte, v.t. & i. Restore, be restored or recover, from exhaustion, illness, loss, etc. So ~*ATION* n., ~*ATIVE* a. [f. L *recuperare*, *recip-*, extended form of *recipere* RECEIVE, -*ATE*³]

récūr', v.i. (-*rr*; *part. pr.* -*ū*ring or -*ē*ring). Go back in thought or speech to; (of idea etc.) come back to one's mind etc., return to mind; (of problem etc.) come up again; occur again, be repeated, (~ring *decimals*, figures in decimal fraction that ~ in same order again & again); ~ring *curve*, that returns upon itself, e.g. circle. Hence **récū'rrence** n. [f. L *recurrere* run, RE-9]

récū'rrent, a. & n. 1. (Of nerve, vein, branch, etc.) turning back so as to reverse direction; occurring again or often or periodically; hence ~*LY*² adv. 2. n. ~ artery or nerve, esp. one of the two ~ laryngeal nerves. [as prec., -*RENT*]

récūrv'e, v.t. & i. Bend backwards. So ~*ATE*³ a., ~*ATURE* n. [f. L *recurvare* bend, RE-9]

récū'sant (-*z*), n. & a. (Hist.) (person) who refused to attend Church-of-England services; (person) refusing submission to authority or compliance with regulation (*against*). Hence ~*ANCE*, ~*ANCY*, nn. [f. L *recusare* RECURSE]

récūse' (-*z*), v.t. (now rare). Reject (person, his authority); object to (judge) as prejudiced. [f. L *recusare* (RE-2, *causa* cause) refuse]

réd, a. & n. 1. Of or approaching the colour seen at least refracted end of spectrum, of shades varying from crimson to bright brown & orange, esp. those seen in blood, sunset clouds, rubies, glowing coals, human lips, & fox's hair, (~ as a rose etc.; *blood, fiery, yellowish, deep*, etc., ~; ~ with *anger* etc., flushed in face; *with ~ hands*, bloodstained; || *all ~ route, line, cable*, etc., traversing British territory or under British control, w. ref. to ~

in maps as British colour; ~ *gold*, arch. & poet., real gold, money; ~ *cent*, smallest coin orig. of copper, esp. *don't care a ~ cent*; ~ *eyes*, bloodshot, or with lids sore from weeping, also of bird etc. with ~ iris; as distinctive epithet with many varieties of animal & plant & mineral, as ~ *deer, partridge, mullet, ant, currant, campion, arsenic*). 2. Having to do with bloodshed, burning, violence, or revolution (~ *battle, ruin*; SEE ~; a ~ *republican, radical, anarchist*). 3. Russian, Soviet, (the *Red Army, Air Force*). 4. ~ *ADMIRAL*; ~ *bark*, superior kind of cinchona; ~ *blind*, colour-blind to ~; || ~ *book* (containing list of nobility & gentry); ~ *box*, used by Ministers for official documents; ~ *breast*, the robin; ~ *cap*, || military policeman; ~ *coat*, British soldier; ~ *cross*, St George's cross or national emblem of England, also Christian side in crusades, also (emblem of) ambulance service organized according to Geneva Convention; || ~ *ENSIGN*, used by British merchant ships; ~ *eye*, the fish rudd; ~ *fish*, male salmon in spawning season, also (market name for) salmon (opp. *white fish* of all other kinds); ~ *flag*, symbol of revolution (the *Red Flag*, a modern revolutionary song), signal for battle, danger-signal on shooting-ranges, railways, etc.; ~ *gum*, teething-rash in children, also (kinds of eucalyptus yielding) ~dish resin; ~hand'ed, in the act of crime (*take ~ handed*); ~ *hat*, cardinal's, || (also nick-name for) British staff-officer; ~ *heat*, being ~hot lit. & fig., temperature of ~hot thing; ~ *herring*, herring(s) ~dened by being cured in smoke (*neither fish, flesh, nor good ~ herring*, of ambiguous indefinite nature; *draw a ~ herring across the track*, divert attention from subject in hand by starting irrelevant but exciting question, with ref. to use of ~herring in exercising hounds); ~hot, heated to ~ness, highly excited, enthusiastic, furious; ~hot *poker*, garden plant with flame-coloured spikes of flower; || ~ *lamp*, night-sign of doctor or chemist; ~ *lane*, (nursery name for) throat; ~ *lead*, pigment made from ~ oxide of lead (v.t., coat with this); ~legged, with ~ legs (of birds etc., esp. the ~legged or *French partridge*); ~legs, kinds of bird, also the plant bistort; ~letter, (of day) marked with ~ letter(s) in calendar as saint's day or festival, (fig.) memorable as date of joyful occurrence, (v.t., record as memorable for joy); ~light, danger-signal on railways etc. (see the ~light, fig., realize approach of disaster); ~man, N.-Amer. Indian; ~meat, beef, mutton, etc. (opp. veal & pork & chicken); ~mass, at which priest wears ~; ~poll, kinds of ~crested bird, esp. male linnet, also (pl.) ~haired polled cattle; ~rag, thing that excites i's rage as ~ object enrages bull (f. s

a ~ *rag to him*), || also kind of rust in grain; ~ *rattle*, lousewort; || ~ *ribbon*, ribbon, membership, of Order of Bath; ~ *sanders*, wood of E.-Ind. tree used in dyeing; ~ *shank*, kind of snipe; ~ *short*, (of iron) brittle while ~ *hot*; ~ *skin*, = ~ *man* above; ~ *snow*, ~ *dened* by kind of alga & common in Arctic & Alpine regions; ~ *soldier*, (pig affected with) kind of swine fever with ~ *ness* of skin; ~ *spider*, insect infesting hot-house plants esp. vines; ~ *start*, ~ *-tailed* European songbird [OE *steort* tail]; ~ *streak*, kind of older apple; ~ *tape*, excessive use of or adherence to formalities esp. in public business, whence ~ *-tāp'ERY*, ~ *-tāp'ISM*, ~ *-tāp'IST*, nn.; ~ *triangle*, (emblem of) the Y.M.C.A.; ~ *water*, malarial cattle & sheep disease with ~ *urine*; ~ *weed*, corn poppy; ~ *wing*, kinds of thrush & other birds; ~ *wood*, kinds of tree; ~ *worm*, kind used as fishing-bait; hence ~ *d'EN*² v.t. & i., ~ *d'ISH*¹(2), ~ *d'Y*³, aa., ~ *LY*³ adv. (rare), ~ *NES* n. 5. n. ~ *colour*; a shade of ~; the ~ *colour* in roulette & rouge-et-noir; the ~ *ball* at billiards; ~ *the debtor side* of an account (in the ~, in debt); ~ *cloth* or *clothes* (*dressed in* ~); one of former three squadrons or divisions (the ~, *white*, *blue*) of British fleet; radical or republican or anarchist. [com.-Teut.; OE *read*, cf. Du. *roet*, G. *rot*; cogn. w. L. *rufus*, *rufer*, Gk. *eruthros*, Skr. *rudhira*.]

red-, pref. = *RE-*, only in wds of L. origin.
redact', v.t. Put into literary form, arrange for publication, edit. So **redac'tor**³ n. [in mod. use a back formation f. foll.]
redac'tion, n. Preparing or being prepared for publication, revision, editing, rearrangement; new edition. [f. F *rédaction* f. L *red(tigere act- = agere* bring), RE-8, -ION]

redān', n. Field work with two faces forming salient angle. [F (RE-, *dent* tooth)]

|| **redd**, v.t. (Sc.). Clear up, arrange, tidy, put right, settle, compose. [cf. Du. *redden* of same meaning; prob. related to **READY**]

red'dle, n., & v.t. Red ochre, ruddle; (vb) colour with ~. [var. of **RUDDELE**]

|| **rede**¹, n. (arch.). Counsel, advice; resolve, design; narrative. [OE *red*, cf. Du. *raad*, G. *rät*, f. st. of foll. or **READ**]

|| **rede**², v.t. (arch.). Advise (person, with inf. with or without to, or with imperat.); read (middle, dream). [var. of **READ**]

redeem', v.t. 1. Buy back, recover by expenditure of effort or by stipulated payment, (~ *one's rights, position, honour, mortgaged land, pledged goods*); compound *for*, buy off, (charge or obligation) by payment. 2. Perform (promise). 3. Purchase the freedom of (another, oneself), save (one's life) by ransom. 4. Save, rescue, reclaim; (of God or Christ) deliver

from sin & damnation. 5. Make amends for, compensate, counterbalance, (fault, defect; *has one ~ing feature*); save from a defect (the eyes ~ the face from ugliness). Hence ~ *ABLE* a., (esp. of Christ, see above) ~ *ER*¹ n. [f. L *red(icare empt- = emere* buy), RE-8]

redēmp'tion, n. 1. **REDEEMING** or being redeemed, esp. the deliverance from sin & damnation wrought by Christ's atonement (*past, beyond, without*, ~, so that ~ is hopeless; in the year of our ~ 1948 etc., A.D. 1948 etc.). 2. Thing that redeems (*that blow was or proved his* ~). 3. || Purchase (*became a member of a ivory company by* ~). Hence **redēmp'tive** a. [f. L *redemptio* (prec., -ION)]

redescend. See **RE-9**.

redif', n. (Soldier of) Turkish military reserve. [Turk.]

red'ingôte (-ngg-), n. Woman's long double-breasted outer coat with skirts sometimes cut away in front. [F, = kind of (orig. man's) coat, corrupt. of E *riding-coat*]

redin'tegrâte, v.t. Restore to wholeness or unity; renew or re-establish in united or perfect state. So ~ *ATION* n. [f. L *red(integrare INTEGRATE)*³, RE-9, -ATE³]

redirect etc., see **RE-8**; **rediscover** etc., **RE-9**; **redistribute** etc., **redivide** etc., **redo**, **RE-8**.

red'olent, a. Fragrant (now rare); having a strong smell, (fig.) strongly suggestive or reminiscent, of. Hence ~ *ENCE* n. [f. L *red(olere smell)*, RE-6, -ENT]

redou'ble (-dùb), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Intensify, increase, make or grow greater or more intense or numerous, (~ *one's efforts; the clamour* ~ed). 2. (Bridge) double again a bid already doubled by adversary; (n.) act or instance of ~ing. [f. F *redoubler* DOUBLE³], RE-6]

redoubt' (-owt), n. (fortif.). Outwork or fieldwork unit. square or polygonal & without flanking defences. [f. F *redoute* f. med. L *reductus* refuge f. p.p. of L *REDUERE*; -b- on false anal. of **DOUBT**]

redoub'table (-owt-), a. (Of opponent, warrior, controversialist, etc.) formidable. [f. F *redoutable* f. *redouter* DOUBT³ fear, RE-6]

redoubt'ed (-owt-), a. (arch.). Dreaded, redoubtable. [f. obs. *redoubt* f. F as prec.]

redound', v.i. Contribute in the end, make great contribution, to one's advantage, credit, etc. (*this procedure will ~ to our advantage; the tale, fact, ~s to their credit*); come as final result to, come back or recoil upon, person (*the benefits that ~ to us from his self-sacrifice; his praises ~ upon himself*). [earlier sense overflow, f. F *redonder* f. L *red(undare* f. *unda* wave), RE-6]

redrēs', v.t., & n. 1. Readjust, set

straight again, (usu. ~ *the balance*, restore equality); set right, remedy, make up for, get rid of, rectify, (distress, wrong, damage, grievance, abuse). 2. n. Reparation for wrong, ~ing of grievances etc. [n. f. vñ, f. F *redresser* DRESS], RE-8]

réduce', v.t. & i. 1. Restore to original or proper position, remedy by such restoration, (now only surg.; *had the shoulder, dislocation, ~d*); bring back to (~ *person to discipline*). 2. Convert physically or mentally to other form, subject to such conversion, make suitable or conformable or adapted to, bring by classification or analysis to, (~ *rule to practice*, act on it; *observations taken at surface must be ~d to centre*; ~ *anomalies to rule*, discover formula covering them; *the facts may all be ~d to three heads*; ~ *it to English orthography & spell it* employee; *the unwritten customs were ~d to writing*; ~ *dissimilar quantities to one denomination, integer to form of fraction*; can we ~ *these ripples to their mechanical elements?*; ~ *clods to powder, ore to metal, compound to components, surface by harrowing, or simply ~ clods, compound, etc.*; ~ *sylogism of one form to another*). 3. Compel to do (rare); bring by force or necessity to some state or action, subdue, bring back to obedience, (~ *the Crown to submission, the revolted towns, all the other Powers of the continent*; ~ *him to assert or usu. asserting an absurdity*; *was ~d to despair, to weakness, to borrow or usu. borrowing clothes, to borrowing*). 4. Bring down, lower, weaken, impoverish, diminish, contract, (~ *Pope to place of chief bishop*; *N.C.O. was ~d to the ranks*, made a private; *is in a very ~d state*, feeble; ~ *liquid to two-thirds of its bulk*; *this ~s the temperature*; *the 16 may be ~d to 5*, by omission of 11, or by reclassification etc.; *have ~d our outfit to almost nothing*; *he ~d himself into the least possible compass*; *to be sold at ~d prices*; ~ *d circumstances, poverty after prosperity*; ~ *the establishment, dismiss officials or cut down expenses*; ~ *d officers etc.*, dismissed in such reduction). 5. intr. Lessen one's weight. Hence **redû'cré'** n., (esp. Photog.) an agent for reducing the density of negatives, **redû'cré'** a. [f. L *reducere* duct-bring], RE-9]

redû'e' tîs dâ absurd'um (-shl-), n. Reduction to absurdity (see foll.). [L]

redû'ct'ion, n. Reducing or being reduced; also: reduced copy of picture, map, etc.; ~ *to absurdity*, proof of the falsity of a principle etc. given by producing a logical consequence of it that is absurd, (loosely) pushing of a principle to unpractical lengths. [f. L *reductio* (reducere, -ducere)]

reduit (redû'e'), n. (fortif.). Keep for garrison to retire to & hold when outworks are taken. [f. F *reduit* REDOUND]

redû'm'd'ant, a. Superfluous, excessive, pleonastic; copious, luxuriant, full. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE, ~ANCY, nn., ~antly² adv. [f. L as REDOUND, -ANT]

redûp'lic'ite, v.t. Make double, repeat; (Gram.) repeat (letter, syllable), form (tense) by reduplication. So ~ATIVE a. [f. med. L *reduplicare* DUPLICATE²], RE-8, -ATR³]

redûplic'ation, n. Doubling, repetition; counterpart; (Gram.) repetition of syllable or letter in word-formation, part so repeated. [f. LL *reduplicatio* (prec. -ATION)]

redye. See RE-8.

ree. = REEVE¹.

reeb'ok, n. Small S.-African antelope with sharp horns. [Du., = roebuck]

rê-êch'ô (-k-), v.i. & t. Echo (t. & i.), echo (t. & i.) again & again, resound. [RE-6]

reed, n., & v.t. 1. (Tall straight stalk of) kinds of firm-stemmed water or marsh plant (broken ~, unreliable person or thing; *lean on a ~*, put trust in weak thing or person), whence ~ED² a.; (collect.) ~s growing in a mass or used as material esp. for thatching, || wheat-straw prepared for thatching. 2. (poet.). Arrow; musical pipe of ~ or straw; pastoral poetry. 3. Vibrating part, of various shape & material, inserted in some musical wind-instruments (esp. oboe, bassoon, clarinet, bagpipe, & some organ-pipes) to produce the sound; (usu. pl., cf. *strings, brass*) ~ instrument(s). 4. Weaver's implement for separating warp-threads & beating up weft; (usu. pl.) set of semicylindrical adjacent monkings like ~s laid together. 5. ~babbler or warbler or ~uren, ~bunting or ~sparrow, two kinds of bird; || ~mace, cat's-tail; ~pheasant, Bearded Titmouse; ~pipe, musical pipe of ~, also ~ed organ-pipe; ~stop, organ-stop consisting of ~pipes. 6. v.t. Thatch with ~; make (straw) into ~; decorate with ~moulding; fit (musical instrument or organ-pipe) with ~. [com.-WG; OE *reod*, cf. Du. & G *riet*]

rê-êd'ify, v.t. Rebuild (house etc.); build up again (hopes, wasted tissue, etc.). [RE-8]

rê-êd'it etc. See RE-8.

reed'ling, n. Bearded Titmouse. [-INGS¹]

reed'ly, a. Abounding with reeds; made of reed (chiefly poet., as ~y pipe, couch); like a reed in weakness, slenderness, or (of grass etc.) thickness; (of voice) like reed-instrument in tone, scratchy, not round & clear. Hence ~INGS n. [-T⁴]

reef', n., & v.t. 1. One of three or four strips across top of square & bottom of fore-&-aft sail that can be taken in or rolled up to reduce sail's surface (take in a ~, lit., & fig. proceed cautiously); ~-knot, consisting of two rights each enclosing the other's parallel-laid shanks, ordinary double-knot made asymmetrically

for easy casting off (opp. **GRANNT**); ~ **point**, one of the short pieces of rope attached to a sail to secure it when ~ed. 2. v.t. Take in ~(s) of (sail); *single, double, treble*, ~ed, with 1, 2, 3, ~s taken in; shorten (topmast, bowsprit, also paddles of paddle-wheel by shifting them nearer centre). [ult. f. ON *rif* in same sense, porh. a spec. use of *rif* rib]

reef², n. Ridge of rock or shingle or sand at or just above or below surface of water; (Gold-mining) lode of auriferous quartz, also the bedrock. [as prec., prob. through Du. *rif*]

reef³, n. One who reefs; (sl.) midshipman; **REEF**¹-knot; (also *reefing-jacket*) close double-breasted stout jacket. [**REEF**¹, -**ER**¹]

reek¹, n. Smoke (Sc. & literary); vapour, visible exhalation, (chiefly Sc. & lit.); foul or stale odour (*the ~ of tobacco*), fetid atmosphere (*amid ~ & squalor*). Hence ~² a. (chiefly Sc. & literary; *Auld Reek'*le, Edinburgh). [com.-Teut.; OE *réc*, cf. Du. *rook*, G *rauch*]

reek², v.i. Emit smoke (chiefly of houses after conflagration or object that has been burning in open air); emit vapour, steam, (of hot drink or food, sweating person etc., or shed blood or thing smeared with it); smell unpleasantly (usu. of; ~s of *patchouli, tobacco, blood*, or fig. of *murder, affection*, etc.). [OE *rēocan*, cf. Du. *rieken*, G *riechen*, smell, & Du. *rooken*, G *rauchen*, smoke, & see prec.]

reel¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Kinds of rotatory apparatus on which thread, silk, yarn, paper, wire, etc., are wound at some stage of manufacture; contrivance for winding up & unwinding line as required, esp. in fishing (*off the ~*, fig., straight off, without hitch or pause, in rapid succession); || small cylinder on which sewing-cotton etc. are wound for convenience; revolving part in various machines; (Cinemat.) quantity of positive film rolled on one ~ (often as rough unit of length, about 1,000 ft., complete films being termed *two-, three-, four-, etc., ~ers*). 2. vb. Wind (thread, fishing-line, etc.) on ~; take (cocoon silk etc.) off, draw (fish, logline, etc.) in or up, by use of ~; rattle (story, list, verses) off without pause or apparent effort; (of grasshopper etc.) make clicking noise like ~ in motion. [vb f. n., OE *hrēol*, excl. E]

reel², v.i., & n. 1. (Of eyes, mind, head) be in a whirl, be dizzy, swim; sway, stagger, stand or walk or run unsteadily, be shaken physically or mentally, rock from side to side, swing violently, (*his mind, the front rank, the ship, the tower, ~ed under the shock*; ~ to & fro like a drunken ~; *went ~ing down the street*; the *State*

was ~ing to its foundations); seem to shake (*the mountains ~ before his eyes*); hence ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing motion lit. or fig. (*without a ~ or a stagger*; *the ~ of vice & folly around us*). [perh. cogn. w. prec.]

reel², n., & v.i. 1. Lively esp. Scotch dance, usu. of two couples in line & describing circular figures. 2. v.i. Dance ~. [perh. f. **REEL**² n.]

re-elect etc., **re-embark** etc., **re-emerge** etc. See **RE-9**.

reen, n. = **RHINE**¹.

re-enable, **re-enact** etc., see **RE-9**; **re-engine**, **RE-8**; **re-enter** etc., **RE-9**.

rē-én¹ trant, a. & n. (Angle) that points inward (opp. **SALENT**; esp. in fortification). [**RE-9**, **ENTRANT**]

rē-én² try, n. Act of entering again; (Law) a retaking possession; *card of ~* (Whist & Bridge), high card that can be relied on to give holder the lead by winning a trick. [**RE-9**, **ENTRY**]

re-establish etc. See **RE-9**.

reeve¹, n. (Hist.) chief magistrate of town or district; (Canada) president of village or town council. [OE *gerēfa*, etym. dub.; prob. unconnected w. obs. *grave* steward, *landgrave* etc., G *graf* count]

reeve², **ree**, n. Female of **RUFF**². [f]

reeve², v.t. (naut.; past & p.p. *rōve* or ~d). Thread (rope, rod, etc.) through ring or other aperture; pass rope through (a block etc.); fasten (rope, block, or other object) in, on, round, to, something by roeving; (of ship) thread (shoals, loc-pack). [perh. f. Du. *reeven* **REEF**¹ vb]

re-examine etc., see **RE-8**; **re-exist**, **re-export** etc., **RE-9**; **reface**, **refashion** etc., **RE-8**.

rēfēc¹ tion, n. Refreshment by food or drink (*milk & eggs were offered for our ~*); slight meal, repast. [f. F *rēfection* f. L *refectionem*=*fractionem* **FACTION**], **RE-8**]

rēfēc² torý (or in monastic use *rēf'i*-), n. Room used for meals in monasteries etc. [f. med. L *refectorium* f. L *reficere* -*fect*=*facere* make] refresh, **RE-8**, -**ORY**]

refer¹, v.t. & i. (-rr-). 1. Trace or ascribe to person or thing as cause or source, assign to certain date or place or class, (~ *one's victories to Providence, miraculous tales to ignorance, ill temper to indigestion, the lake-dwellings to the sixth century, the origins of sculpture to Egypt, barnacles to the molluscs*), whence **REFERABLE** a. 2. Commit, hand over, (oneself, question for decision) to person etc. (*I ~ myself to your generosity; let us ~ the dispute to Socrates; ~ to drawer*, abbr. R.D., banker's note suspending payment etc. of cheque). 3. Send on or direct (person), make appeal or have recourse, to some authority or source of information, (abs.) cite authority or passage, (*osler ~ed me to landlord;*

for my proof I ~ to the facts of human nature, to 1 Kings iii. 7; ~red to his watch for the exact time). 4. (Of statement etc.) have relation, be directed, (of hearer etc.) interpret (statement etc.) as directed, to (these remarks ~ only to deliberate, are not to be ~red to involuntary, offences). 5. (Of person speaking etc.) make allusion, direct attention, to (he several times ~red to the modern increase in expenditure; found myself on the peak ~red to). [f. L. *referre latum* bring], RE-9]

referee', n., & v.1. & t. 1. Arbitrator, person to whom dispute is to be or is referred for decision; umpire esp. in football. 2. vb. Act as ~ (for) esp. in football. [-EE]

reference, n., & v.t. 1. Referring of matter for decision or settlement or consideration to some authority, scope given to such authority, (the peerage was allowed without ~ to the House of Lords; the ~ is very wide, strictly limited; the Commission must confine itself to, that is a question outside, the ~). 2. Relation, respect, correspondence, to (the parts of a machine all have ~ to each other; success seems to have little ~ to merit; in, with, ~ to, regarding, as regards, about; without ~ to, irrespective of). 3. Allusion to (~, a or no ~, several ~s, to a previous conversation was or were made). 4. Direction more or less precise to (page etc. of) book etc. where information may be found (loads his pages with, does not give, ~s; cross ~, to another passage in same book; ~ bible, with marginal cross ~s; || legislation by ~, use in bill-drafting of ~s to previous statutes instead of restatement); mark used to refer reader of text to note or to part of diagram (usual ~ marks: asterisk *, obelisk †, double obelisk ‡, section §, parallel ||, paragraph ¶). 5. Act of looking up passage etc., or of referring another or applying to person, for information (~ or a ~ to the dictionary would have enlightened him; please give me a ~, I should like to make ~, to your last employer; book of ~, to be used not for continuous reading but to consult on occasion; ~ library, where books may be consulted without being taken away); person named by one applying for post or offering goods etc. as willing to vouch for him or them (who are your ~s?); (loosely) testimonial; hence **referēntial** (-shl) a. 6. v.t. Provide (book) with ~s to authorities. [-ENCE]

referēndary, n. (rare). Referee; assessor to commission; reporting or revising official. [f. med. L. *referendarius* (foll., -ARY¹)]

referēndum, n. Referring of certain political questions or of such questions under certain circumstances to the electorate for direct decision by a general vote on the single question. [L. *referre*, -ND¹]

refill. See RE-2.

refine'e', v.t. & i. Free from dross or impurities or defects, purify, clarify; make elegant or cultured, imbue with delicacy of taste, polish manners or appearance of; become pure or clear or improved in pollah or delicacy; employ subtlety of thought or language, make fine distinctions, discourse subtly (*upon*); improve (*upon*) by refinements. Hence ~edly¹ adv. [RE-6, FINE² v.]

refine'ment (-nm-), n. Refining or being refined; fineness of feeling or taste, polished manners etc.; subtle or ingenious manifestation of, piece of elaborate arrangement, (all the ~s of luxury; a countermines was a ~ beyond their skill); piece of subtle reasoning, fine distinction. [-MENT]

refin'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., person whose business is to refine metal, sugar, etc., whence ~ery(3) n. [-ER¹]

refit etc. See RE-8.

refla'tion, n. Inflation of currency after a deflation, undertaken to restore the system to its previous condition. [f. RE-3, after INFLATION, DEFLATION]

reflect', v.t. & i. 1. Fold back (rare; ~ the corner of the paper). 2. (Of surface or body) throw (heat, light, sound, rarely ball etc.) back, cause to rebound, (shine with ~ed light, not one's own, borrowed). 3. (Of mirror etc., or transf.) show image of, reproduce to eye or mind, exactly correspond in appearance or effect to, (laws ~ the average moral attitude of a half century earlier). 4. (Of action, result, etc.) bring back or cause to redound (credit, discredit, etc.), (abs.) bring discredit, (*upon*) person or method responsible. 5. Go back in thought, meditate, or consult with oneself (*on*, *upon*, or *abs.*), remind oneself or consider (*that*, *how*, etc.), whence ~ingly¹ adv. 6. Make disparaging remarks *upon*. [f. L. *reflectere* flex-bend], RE-9]

reflec'tion, -'x'ion (-kshn), n. (-x- etym. correct but now rare exc. in scientific use). 1. REFLECTING or being reflected (*angle of ~*, made by reflected ray with perpendicular to surface); reflected light, heat, colour, or image. 2. Reflex action. 3. (Piece of) censure (usu. *on* or *upon*); thing bringing discredit (*upon*). 4. Reconsideration (*on ~*, *I doubt whether I was right*). 5. Mental faculty dealing with products of sensation & perception. 6. Idea arising in the mind, mental or verbal comment, apophthegm, (often *on* or *upon*). Hence ~al, ~less, aa., (-sho-). [f. LL. *reflexio* (prec., -ION) w. assim. to *reflect*]

reflec'tive, a. 1. (Of surface etc.) giving back reflection or image; (of light etc.) reflected (rare). 2. (Gram.) reflexive (now rare). 3. (Of action) reflex, reciprocal, (now rare). 4. (Of mental faculties) concerned in reflection or thought; (of person,

mood, etc.) thoughtful, given to meditation. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [REFLECT, -IVE]

réflec'tor, n. 1. Body or surface reflecting rays, esp. piece of glass or metal usu. concave for reflecting in required direction; (telescope etc. provided with) apparatus for reflecting images. 2. Person, book, etc., that gives or affords conscious or unconscious representation of prejudices, habits, etc. [-OR¹]

reflet' (-lè), n. *Lustre*, iridescence, esp. on pottery. [F]

réf'lex¹, n. 1. Reflected light or colour or glory (*the fame of Greece was a ~ from the glory of Athens*). (Paint.) part of picture represented as affected by the light or colour of another part. 2. Image or reflection in mirror etc. 3. Reproduction, secondary manifestation, correspondent result, (*legislation should be a ~ of public opinion*; *lamb & mint sauce is a popular ~ of the passover with bitter herbs*). 4. A reflex action (*doctor tested patient's ~es*); CONDITIONED ~. [f. LL *reflexus* -US REFLECT]

réf'lex², a. 1. (rare). Recurred; (of light etc.) reflected. 2. (Of thought etc.) introspective, directed back upon itself or its own operations; (of effect or influence) reactive, coming back upon its author or source. 3. (Physiol.) ~ action, independent of the will, excited as involuntary response to nerve-stimulation. 4. (Gram.) reflexive (now rare). 5. ~ (camera), a hand camera in which, by means of a pivoted surface-silvered mirror, the reflected image can be seen and focused up to the moment of exposure. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *reflexus* p.p. (REFLECT)]

reflexed' (-kst), a. (bot.). Recurred. [f. obs. *reflex* vb = REFLECT]

reflex'ible, a. Capable of being reflected. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [as prec., -IBLE]

reflexion. See REFLECTION.

reflex'ive, a. & n. (gram.). (Word, form) implying agent's action upon himself; (verb) indicating identity of subject & object; (pers. pronoun or poss. adjective) referring to subject. Hence ~LY² adv. [as prec., -IVE]

refloat. See RE-9.

réf'luent (-òb-), a. Flowing back (~ *tide*, *blood*). Hence **réf'luent** (-òb-) n. [f. L *refluere* flow], RE-9]

reflux, see RE-9; **refoot**, RE-8; **reforest** etc., RE-9.

réform'¹, v.t. & i. Make (person, institution, procedure, conduct, oneself) or (of person or body of persons) become better by removal or abandonment of imperfections, faults, or errors (~ed *churches*, see REFORMATION²); abolish, cure, (abuse, malpractice). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. L *reformare* FORM²], RE-8]

réform'², n. Removal of abuse(s) esp. in

politics (*R~ Bill*, *Act*, esp. those of 1831-2 amending parliamentary representation); improvement made or suggested; *R~ Club*, former headquarters of the Liberal party (cf. CARLTON, *NATIONAL Liberal*). [f. prec.]

réform'³, v.t. & i. Form again. So **réformä'tion'**¹ n. [RE-8]

réformä'tion'², n. Reforming or being reformed, esp. radical change for the better in political, religious, or social affairs; *the R~*, 16th-c. movement for reform of abuses in Roman Church ending in establishment of Reformed or Protestant Churches, whence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. L *reformatio* (REFORM¹, -ATION)]

réform'ative a., **réform'atory** a. & n. 1. Tending or intended to produce reform. 2. n. Institution to which juvenile offenders are sent for ~ purposes, approved school. [REFORM¹, -ATIVE, -ORY]

réform'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: leader in the 16th-c. REFORMATION²; advocate of the REFORM³ bill. [-ER¹]

réfract', v.t. (Of water, air, glass, etc.) deflect (light) at certain angle when it enters obliquely from another medium of different density (~ing *telescope*, with object-glass converging rays to focus); (Chem.) analyse (nitre) to discover percentage of impurities. Hence or cogn. **réfräc'tion** n., **réfräc'tional** (-sho-), **réfräc'tive**, aa. [f. L *refringere* -fract- = *frangere* break], RE-5]

réfräc'tor, n. Refracting medium or lens or telescope. [-OR¹]

réfräc'tor'y, a. & n. 1. Stubborn, unmanageable, rebellious; (of wound, disease, etc.) not yielding to treatment; (of substances) hard to fuse or work. 2. n. Substance specially resistant to heat, corrosion, etc. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *refractorius* (REFRACT, -ARY¹) w. assim. to -ORY]

réfrain'¹, n. Recurring phrase or line esp. at end of stanzas. [OF, ult. f. pop. L ⁺*refrangere* = *refringere* REFRACT]

réfrain'², v.t. & i. Put restraint upon, curb, (oneself, one's tears, soul, etc.; arch.); abstain from doing something, abstain from act or doing. [f. OF *refrēner* f. L *refrenare* f. *frenum* bridle], RE-9]

réfrän'gible (-j-), a. That can be refracted. Hence ~IBIL'ITY n. [incorrect for *refringible* (REFRACT, -IBLE)]

réfrēsh', v.t. & i. Make cool again (rare); reanimate, reinvigorate, (of food, drink, rest, amusement, etc., or person providing these esp. in ~ oneself; ~ing *innocence* etc., interesting to biased observer); freshen up (memory); restore (fire, electric battery, etc.) with fresh supply; take esp. liquid refreshment. Hence ~ing-LY¹ adv. [f. OF *refrescher*, see RASH, RE-9]

refrêsh'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: extra fee to counsel in prolonged case; (colloq.) a drink; attrib., as ~ *course* (of instruction in modern methods etc.). [-ER¹]

refrêsh'ment, n. Refreshing or being refreshed in mind or body; thing, esp. (usu. in pl.) drink or food, that refreshes (*the sight was a ~ to him; take some ~ or ~s; ~ room at railway station or car on train*); *R~ Sunday*, 4th in Lent with gospel f. John vi. [f. OF *refreschement* (prec., -MENT)]

refri'gerâte, v.t. & i. 1. Make, rarely become, cool or cold. 2. Expose (provisions) to extreme cold in order to freeze or preserve, whence ~ator²(2) n. Hence ~er cogn. ~ANT(2) a. & n., ~ATION n. [f. L *refrigerare* f. *frigus* -oris cold], RE-9, -ATE¹]

refri'geratory, n. & a. 1. Cold-water vessel attached to still for condensing vapour; refrigerator. 2. adj. Refrigerant. [f. L *refrigeratorius* (prec., -ORY)]

ref't. See REAVE.

ref'uge, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Place of) shelter from pursuit or danger or trouble (*seek ~; has found a ~; take ~ in a cave. in lying; city of ~, see Josh. xx; house of ~, institution for the homeless etc.*); person, thing, course, that gives shelter or is resorted to in difficulties (*he is the ~ of the distressed; books are the ~ of the destitute*); raised place in middle of busy road for crossers to halt on. 2. vb (rare). Give ~ to; take ~. [F, f. L *refugium* f. *fugere* flee], RE-4]

ref'ugee, n. Person escaped to foreign country from religious or political persecution. [f. F *réfugié* p.p. of *réfugier* (prec.)]

reful'gent, a. Shining, gloriously bright. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *refulgere* shine], RE-6, -ENT]

refund', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Pay back (money received or taken, expenses incurred by another); reimburse; make repayment; hence ~MENT n. 2. n. ~ment. [earlier sense *pour back*, f. L *refundere* sus- pour], RE-9]

refurbish, see RE-9; **refurnish**, RE-8.

refus'al (-z), n. In vbl senses (*will take no ~, is importunate*); also, right or privilege of deciding to take or leave a thing before it is offered to others (*have, stipulate for, give person, the ~ of*). [foll., -AL(2)]

refus'e¹ (-z), v.t. & i. 1. Say or convey by action that one will not accept or submit to or give or grant or gratify or consent (~ *offer, gift, chance, office, candidate, person as husband, etc.*; *horse ~s fence etc.*, or abs., *will not jump, whence ~ER¹ (-z) n.*; ~ *orders, control, etc.*; ~ *obedience, compliance*; ~ *me satisfaction, tribute to suzerain, my request*; ~ *one, not grant his request; have never been ~ed, had request rejected*; ~ *to do*). 2. Make refusal; (Cards) not follow suit. Hence ~ABLE (-z) a. [f. F *refuser* (L *refundere* see REFUND)]

ref'use², a. & n. (What is) rejected as worthless or left over after use. [perh. f. OF *refuse* p.p. as prec.]

ré-fuse² (-z), v.t. Fuse again. [RE-9]

réfüt'e, v.t. Prove falsity or error of (statement, opinion, argument, person advancing it), rebut or repel by argument. Hence or cogn. **réfüt'able** a., ~AL(2), **réfüt'a'tion**, nn. [f. L *refutare* see CONFUTE], RE-9]

régain', v.t. Recover possession of (esp. ~ *consciousness*); reach (place) again; recover (one's feet or footing or legs). [f. F *re(gagner) GAIN*²], RE-9]

rég'al, a. Of or by kings (~ *government, title, office*); fit for a king, magnificent, (*lives in ~ splendour*). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *regalis* (*rex* regis king, -AL)]

régale', n. Choice repast lit. or fig., feast of some dainty; a dainty (rare); choice flavour (rare; *viands of higher ~*). [f. obs. F *régale* f. It. *regalo* gift, etym. dub.]

régâle', v.t. & i. Entertain choicely (often iron.) with food or with talk etc.; (of beauty, flowers, etc.) give delight to; feed oneself choicely (usu. on). Hence ~MENT (-lm-) n. [f. F *régaler* (prec.)]

régâl'ia¹ (-lya), n. pl. Royal privileges (now rare); insignia of royalty used at coronations; insignia of an order, e.g. of Freemasons. [L, neut. pl. of *REGALIS*]

régâl'ia² (-lya), n. Large digar of good quality. [f. Sp. *regalia* royal privilege (REGAL, -Y¹)]

rég'alism, n. Doctrine of sovereign's ecclesiastical supremacy. [-ISM]

régâl'it'y, n. Attribute of kingly power, being king, (*things that touch his ~*); monarchical state, kingdom, (rare); royal privilege. [f. OF *regalié* (REGAL, -ITY)]

regârd'¹, v.t. & i. 1. Gaze upon (usu. with adv. phr. or adv.; *found him ~ing me with curiosity, intently*). 2. Give heed to, take into account, let one's course be affected by, (esp. in neg. context; *fears not God nor ~s man; does not ~ my advice*); give heed, pay attention, take notice. 3. Look upon or contemplate mentally with reverence, horror, etc., or with adv. specified sentiment (*I still ~ him kindly*). 4. Consider (usu. as with compl., also in the light of, under an aspect, etc., also vulg. with compl. & without as = consider; *is to be ~ed as a wild beast; ~ it as madness or indispensable, him as among my friends*). 5. (Of things) concern, have relation to, (*does not ~ me etc.*, has nothing to do with; esp. as ~s, or ~ing as part. or prep., = about, touching; as ~s *wheat, prices are rising; considerations ~ing peace; am innocent ~ing the former*). [f. F *re(garder) GUARD*²], RE-6, cf. REWARD]

regârd'², n. 1. Gaze, steady or significant look. 2. Respect, point attended to, (*in this etc. ~*; esp. in ~ *to or of, with ~ to, regarding, as touching, about; in one's ~, concerning or about or towards him*).

3. Attention, heed, care, (*to, for*; ~ *must be had or paid to general principles; the next object of ~ is his conduct; act without ~ to or for decency; pays no ~ to exposures of (adviser)*), whence ~**RUL** a. (of), ~**LESS** a. & adv. (of); also al. as ellipt. adv. = ~**LOSS** of expense, as *got up ~less, expensively dressed*, ~**FULLY** (rare), ~**LESS-LY**, adv., ~**FULNESS** (rare), ~**LESSNESS**, nn.
4. Esteem, kindly feeling or respectful opinion, (*for*; *have little, a great, ~ for him, no, a high, ~ for his judgement or advice*); (pl.) expression of friendliness in letter etc., compliments, (*kind ~s to you all; give him my ~s or best etc. ~s*). [F (prec.)]

régard'ant, a. (Her.) looking backward; observant, with steady or intent gaze. [F (REGARD¹, -ANT)]

régât'a, n. Meeting for boat or yacht races. [It. (earlier sense *contention*), etym. dub.]

régél'âte, v.i. (Of fragments of ice, heaped snow, etc.) be fused by temporary thawing of surfaces into frozen mass. Hence ~**A'TION** n. [RE- 9, L *gelare* freeze, -ATE³]

rég'ency, n. Rule, control, (rare); office of regent; commission acting as regent; regent's or regency-commission's period of office (*the R~ in Eng. Hist., 1810-20*). [REGENT, -ENCY]

régén'er'âte, v.t. & i. Invest with new & higher spiritual nature; improve moral condition of, breathe new & more vigorous & higher life into, (person, institution, etc.); generate again, bring or come into renewed existence, (*must ~ate his self-respect; polytyp ~ates after extraction*); reform oneself. Hence or cogn. ~**ATE** (-at), ~**ATIVE**, aa., ~**A'TION** n. [f. L *regenerare* GENERATE, RE- 8]

régén'er'ator, n. In vbl senses; also, fuel-saving fire-brick device in furnaces. [-OR³]

regensis. See RE- 8.

rég'ent, n. & a. 1. Ruler, ruling principle, (rare); person appointed to administer kingdom during minority, absence, or incapacity of monarch; || (Oxford and Cambridge Univv.) Master of Arts who presided over disputations in the Schools (hist.); *member of the governing body of a State University. 2. adj. (following n.). Acting as ~ (*Queen, Prince, etc., R~*). [In f. a., f. L *regere* rule, -ENT]

regerminate etc. See RE- 9.

rég'icide, n. Killer or participant in killing of a king (*the ~s, those concerned in trying & executing Charles I*); king-killing. Hence **rég'icid'AL** a. [L *rex regis* king, -CID-]

rég'ie (râzhé'), n. State monopoly or control of tobacco, salt, etc. [F]

regild. See RE- 9.

rég'ime, **regime**, (râzhém'), n. Method of government, prevailing system of things, (*ancien régime, see Ap., system of govern-*

ment in France before the revolution, also transf. any now abolished or past method); under the ~ of purchase, privilege, protection, competition, *Whig ascendancy, etc.* [F (ré-) f. L **REGIMEN**]

rég'imen, n. Rule, system of government, régime, (now rare); (Med.) prescribed course of exercise, way of life, & esp. diet; (Gram.) relation of syntactic dependence between words, government. [L (*regere* rule, -MEN)]

rég'imént (or -jm-), n., & v.t. 1. Rule, government, (now rare). 2. Permanent recruiting & training unit of army usu. commanded by (Lieut.-)Colonel & divided into several companies or troops or batteries & often into two, or in wartime into many, battalions; operational unit of artillery, tanks, armoured cars, etc.; *Royal R~ (of Artillery)*, *Royal Artillery*; (often pl.) large array or number, legion, (usu. of). 3. v.t. Form (men) into ~ or ~s; organize (workers, labour) in groups or according to a system, whence **rég'imént'a'tion** n. [f. LL *regimentum* (prec., -MENT)]

rég'imén'tal, a. & n. 1. Of a regiment; hence ~**LY** adv. 2. n. pl. Dress worn by regiment, military uniform. [-AL]

Rég'in'a, n. (abbr. R.). Reigning queen (in signatures to proclamations, as *V.R., Victoria ~*, titles of crown law-suits, as ~ *v. Jones*, ~ *versus Jones*, etc.). [L (*rex regis* king, -INA¹)]

rég'in'al, a. (rare). Queenly, of or befitting a queen. [f. med. L *reginalis* (prec., -AL)]

rég'ion (-jn), n. Tract of country, space, place, of more or less definitely marked boundaries or characteristics (*a desert, fertile, ~*; *the ~ between the Elbe & the Rhine; earth is divided into ~s characterized by different fauna & flora*); separate part of world or universe (often pl.; *lower ~s, hell, realm of the dead; upper ~s, sky, heaven; the ~ beyond the grave*); sphere or realm of (*you are getting into the ~ of metaphysics*); *upper, middle, lower, layer of atmosphere or sea*; part of the body round or near some organ etc. (*the lumbar, abdominal, etc., ~*; *the ~ of the eyes*). Hence ~**AL** (-jo-) a. [f. AF *regiun* f. L *regiōnem* nom. -o direction (*regere* direct, -ION)]

rég'ister¹, n. 1. Book in which entries are made of details to be recorded for reference; official or authoritative list kept e.g. of births, marriages, & burials or deaths, of shipping, of qualified voters in constituency (~ *office*, or in mod. use ~, a registry). 2. Slider in organ controlling set of pipes; compass of voice or instrument, part of voice-compass (*head, chest, throat, upper, middle, lower, ~*). 3. Adjustable plate for widening or narrowing

an opening & regulating draught esp. in fire-grate; recording indicator of speed, force, etc. 4. (Print.) exact correspondence of printed matter on two sides of leaf (*in* ~, so corresponding); (Photog.) correspondence of focusing screen with plate or film. [f. med. L *registrum* for *regestum* (LL *regesta* things recorded f. RE-8, L *gerere* carry)]

rē'gister¹, v.t. & i. 1. Set down (name, fact, etc.) formally, record in writing; (fig.) make mental note of. 2. Enter or cause to be entered in particular register (~ *letter*, entrust to post-office with special precautions for safety; || ~ *luggage*, on railway etc.; ~ oneself or abs., put one's name on electoral register). 3. (Of instrument) record automatically, indicate; (Cinemat.) express facially (emotion). 4. (Print. etc.) correspond, make correspond, exactly. Hence or cogn. **rē'gistrable** a., **rē'gistra'tion** n. [f. med. L *registrare* (prec.)]

rē'gistrar, n. Official recorder, person charged with keeping register. Hence ~SHIP n. [prec., -AR¹]

rē'gistrār'y, n. Registrar of Cambridge University. [REGISTER¹, -ARY¹]

rē'gistry, n. Registration; place, office, where registers are kept; *married at a* ~ or ~ *office* or *register office*, i.e. without religious ceremony; *servants'* ~ (*office*), shop etc. where lists of vacant situations & servants seeking them are kept; register (rare). [REGISTER¹, -RY]

|| **Rē'gius**, a. ~ *professor of Greek* etc., holder of chair at Oxf. or Camb. instituted by Henry VIII, or of later one placed on same footing. [L. = royal (*rex regis* king)]

rē'g'nal, a. Of a reign (~ *year*, beginning with king's accession or an anniversary of it; ~ *day*, anniversary of accession). [f. med. L *regnalis* (REIGN, -AL)]

rē'gnant, a. Reigning (*Queen R~*, ruling in her own right & not as consort; *Prince R~* etc.); (of things, qualities, opinions, etc.) predominant, prevalent. [f. L *regnare* REIGN², -ANT¹]

rē'g'or'ge¹, v.t. & i. Bring or cast up again, vomit, disgorge; gush or flow back from pit, channel, etc.; swallow again. [RE-9]

rē'grā'ti'e¹, v.t. (hist.). Buy up (goods, esp. victuals) with view to retailing at a profit (a practice formerly prohibited). Hence ~ER¹, ~OR², nn. [f. OF *regreter* perh. f. RE-, *grater* (now *gratter*) scrape, GRATE²]

rē'gr'ess¹, n. Going back; declension, backward tendency. [f. L *regressus* (foll.)]

rē'gr'ess², v.i. Move backwards (chiefly astron.). [f. L *re(gredi)=gradi* (gress-step), RE-9]

rē'gr'ession (-shn), n. Backward movement, retreat; return of curve; relapse, reversion. So **rē'gr'ess'ive** a., **rē'gr'ess'ively**¹ adv., **rē'gr'ess'iveness** n. [f. L ~to (prec., ~ON)]

rē'grēt'¹, v.t. (-tt-), & n. 1. Be sorry for loss of, wish one could have again; be distressed about or sorry for (event, fact), grieve at, repent (action etc.); be sorry to say etc. or *that* (esp. in polite refusal of invitation etc.); hence ~t'ABLE a., ~t'ABLY¹ adv. 2. n. Sorrow for loss of person or thing (often for); repentance or annoyance concerning thing (left undone) (*has no* ~s; *express* ~ for, esp. make apology or ask pardon for); vexation or disappointment caused by occurrence or situation (*hear with* ~ of or *that*; *refuse with much* ~ or *many* ~s); hence (of person or feeling) ~FUL a., ~FULLY¹ adv. [f. F *regret*(ter), OF also *regreter*, *regrater*, etym. dub.]

regroup. See RE-8.

rē'g'ulable, a. Admitting of regulation. [REGULATE, -ABLE]

rē'g'ulār, a. & n. 1. (Eccel.) bound by religious rule, belonging to religious or monastic order, (cf. SECULAR; *the* ~ *clergy* in R.-C. countries, monks as opp. parish priests etc.). 2. (Of shape, structure, arrangement, or objects in these respects) following or exhibiting a principle, harmonious, consistent, systematic, symmetrical, (~ *nomenclature*, *formation*, *features*, *curve*, *figure*, *flower*; *the five* ~ *solids*, tetrahedron or triangular pyramid bounded by 4 triangles, hexahedron or cube by 6 squares, octahedron by 8 triangles, dodecahedron by 12 pentagons, & icosahedron by 20 triangles). 3. Acting, done, recurring, uniformly or calculably in time or manner, habitual, constant, not capricious or casual, orderly, (~ *working*, *steps*, *procedure*, *sequence*, *pulses*, *bowels*, *salary*, *orbit*, *bedtime*, *employ*; *keep* ~ *hours*, do same thing at same time daily; *a* ~ *life*, lived in orderly manner, esp. without excesses; ~ *people*, living ~ *lives*; also vulg. as adv., as *comes*, *happens*, ~). 4. Conforming to a standard of etiquette etc., not transgressing conventions, in order, (*had no* ~ *introduction*; *the attitude of the Foreign Office has been quite* ~). 5. (Gram., of verbs, nouns, etc.) following a normal type of inflection. 6. Properly constituted or qualified, not defective or amateur, devoted exclusively or primarily to its nominal function, (*cooks as well as a* ~ *cook*; *has no* ~ *profession*; ~ *soldiers*, opp. volunteers or militia or temporary levies; ~ *army*, of ~ *soldiers*); (colloq.) complete, thorough, indubitable, (*is a* ~ *rascal*, *brick*, *hero*; *a* ~ *royal queen*; *had a* ~ *smash*, *overhauling*, etc.; also vulg. as adv., as *is* ~ *angry*); hence **rē'g'ulā'rity** n., ~RE(3) v.t., ~RE¹ATION n., ~LY¹ adv. 7. n. One of the ~ *clergy*; ~ *soldier*; (colloq.) ~ *customer*, visitor, etc.; (colloq.) person permanently employed. [f. L *regularis* (*regula* rule f. *regere* direct, -AR¹)]

rē'g'ulā'te, v.t. Control by rule, subject to

restrictions, moderate, adapt to requirements; adjust (machine, clock) so that it may work accurately. Hence **~ATOR** (1, 2) *n.*, **~ATIVE** *a.* [f. LL *regula* (L *regula* rule), **~ATE**]

regūla'tion, *n.* Regulating or being regulated; prescribed rule, authoritative direction; (attrib.) fulfilling what is laid down by ~s, of correct pattern etc., ordinary, usual, formal, (of the ~ size; exceed the ~ speed; a ~ sword, cap; the ~ mourning). [prec., **~ATION**]

regū'lus, *n.* (pl. ~i). 1. (*R~us*) bright star in Leo. 2. (Chem.) purer or metallic part of mineral separated by sinking to bottom in crucible, impure metallic product of smelting various ores, whence **~INE** *a.* 3. Golden-crested wren. [L, dim. of *rex* *regis* king; sense 2 orig. of metallic form of antimony, perh. as title of honour due to its readiness to combine with gold]

regū'gitāte, *v.i.* & *t.* Gush back; (of stomach or receptacle) pour or cast up again. Hence **~ATION** *n.* [f. med. L *regurgitare* f. L *gurgus* -itis whirlpool], **RE-9**, **~ATE**]

rehabilitate etc., see **RE-9**; **rehandle**, **rehang**, **rehash**, **rehear**, etc., **RE-8**.

rehears'al (-hēr-), *n.* Rehearsing; preparatory performance of play or other entertainment (*dress ~*, such ~ in costume, i.e. when practice is far advanced). [-AL (2)]

rehearse (-hērs), *v.t.* Recite, say over, repeat from beginning to end, give list of, recount, enumerate; have rehearsal of (play etc. or part in it), practise for later public performance. [f. OF *rehercer* prob. f. **RE-8**, *hercer* harrow (*herse* harrow f. L *harpe* rake)]

rehouse, see **RE-8**; **rehumanize**, **RE-9**.

Reich (rix), *n.* The German commonwealth as a whole (*First ~*, Holy Roman Empire, 962-1806; *Second ~*, 1871-1918; *Third ~*, Nazi régime, 1933-45); *~swehr* (-vār), (formerly) German armed forces. [G, = kingdom]

Reichsrat(h) (riks'raht), *n.* Parliament of the late Cisleithan Austria-Hungary. [G]

Reichstag (riks'tah), *n.* The German parliament; parliament of the late Transleithan Austria-Hungary. [G]

re'ify, *v.t.* Convert (person, abstract concept) into thing, materialize. So **reIFYCATION** *n.* [f. L *res* thing, **~I-**, **~FY**]

reign (rân), *n.* Sovereignty, rule, sway, (*under the ~ of Queen Victoria*; *his ~ was a gentle one*; *the ~ of law in nature*; *night resumes her ~*; *R~ of Terror*, period of sanguinary excesses by revolutionaries or reactionaries, & see **TERROR**); realm, sphere, (rare); period during which sovereign reigns (*in the ~ of John*; *during five successive ~s*). [f. OF *regne* f. L *regnum* (*regere* rule)]

reign (rân), *v.i.* Hold royal office, be

king or queen lit. or fig., (*~ed over Great Britain for 60 years*; *a king who desired to rule as well as ~*; *better to ~ in hell than serve in heaven*; *~ing beauty*, acknowledged as supreme for the time); hold sway, prevail, (*dissension & imprudence ~ed*; *silence ~s*, all is quiet). [f. OF *regner* f. L *regnare* (prec.)]

reignite. See **RE-9**.

reimburse, *v.t.* Repay (person who has expended money, out-of-pocket expenses, person expenses). Hence **~MENT** (-sm-) *n.* [**RE-9**, obs. *imburse* put in purse f. LL *imbursare* (IM-1, *BOURSE*)]

reimport, **reimpose** etc. See **RE-9**.

rein (rân), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Long narrow strap with each end attached to bit used to guide or check horse etc. in riding or driving, (fig.) means of control, (often pl. in same senses; *draw ~*, stop one's horse, pull up, abandon effort, retrench expenditure, etc.; *give horse the ~s* or ~, let it go its own way; *so throw the ~s to*; *give ~* or *the ~s* to one's imagination etc., let it have free scope; *assume, drop, the ~s* of government, enter upon, resign, office); hence **~LESS** *a.* 2. *v.t.* Check or manage with ~s; (fig.) govern, restrain, control; pull up or back with ~s, hold in with ~s or fig. [vb f. *n.*, f. OF *resne*, AF *redne*, cf. It. *redina*, perh. ult. f. L *as* **RETAİN**]

reincarnate etc., see **RE-8**; **reincorporate**, **RE-9**.

rein'deer (rân-), *n.* (collect. sing. usu. for pl.). Subarctic deer used for drawing sledges & kept in herds for its milk, flesh, & hide. [f. ON *hreindýri* (*hreinn* reindeer, *DEER*)]

reinforce, *v.t.*, & *n.* 1. Strengthen or support by additional men or material or by increase of numbers, quantity, size, thickness, etc. (*~ fortress, army, provisions, party, the basses* etc. in band or chorus, person's *health* etc. with food etc., one's *argument* with fresh points); *~d concrete* (with metal bars, gratings, or wire, embedded in it); (rare) enforce again, re-enforce. 2. *n.* Thicker part of gun next breech; strengthening part, band, etc., added to object. [**RE-8**, *inforce* = **ENFORCE**]

reinforce'ment (-sm-), *n.* Reinforcing or being reinforced; (often pl.) additional men, ships, etc., for military or naval force; anything that reinforces. [-MENT]

reingratiate, see **RE-9**; **reink**, **RE-8**.

reins (rân), *n.* pl. (arch.). The kidneys; the loins. [OF, f. L *renes*, sing. *ren*]

reinsert etc. See **RE-9**.

reinstāte, *v.t.* Restore to, replace *its*, lost position, privileges, etc.; restore to health or proper order. Hence **~MENT** (-tm-) *n.* [**RE-9**, obs. *instāte* (IN-1, *STATE* *n.*)]

reinsure etc., **reinter**, see **RE-8**; **reinvest** etc., **RE-8**; **reinvigorate** etc., **RE-9**.

For pronunciation & hyphenating of *re-see* **RE-**; for words in *re-* not given see **RE-8**, **9**.

reis (rás), n. pl. Former Portuguese and Brazilian money of account of very small value. [Port. (sing. REAL¹)]

reissue etc., reiterate etc. See **RE-8**.

reiver. See **REAVE**.

reject, v.t., & n. 1. (rĭjĕkt'). Put aside as not to be accepted, practised, believed, chosen, used, complied with, etc. (~ doctrine, custom, evidence, candidate, literary contribution, food, request, suitor, vote; sorting-machine ~s all defective specimens); cast up again, vomit, evacuate. 2. n. (rĕj'ĕkt). Somebody or something that has been ~ed (e.g. person unfit for military service, article sold cheaply as not up to standard). Hence or cogn. **reĭĕct'ABLE** a., **reĭĕĕ'trĕ'**, **reĭĕĕ'tion**, **reĭĕĕ'tor**², nn. [f. L *reĭĕĭre* -ĭĕĕt- = *jacere* throw, RE-9]

reĭĕĕtāmĕn'ta, n. pl. Refuse, waste matters; things cast up by the sea; excrements. [mod. L (prec. -MENT)]

reĭĕĭce', v.t. & i. Cause joy to, make glad, (the news ~d him; I am ~d to hear it, that it should be so, at it, by it, etc.); feel great joy, whence **reĭĭĕĕ'cĭngly**² adv.; be glad that or to do, take delight in or at, (~ in, be blessed in the possession of, often joc. for have); make merry, celebrate some event, whence **reĭĭĕĕ'cĭngs** (-z) [-ING¹] n. pl. [f. OF *reĭĭoir* -iss-JOY²], RE-6]

reĭĭĕĭn', v.i. & t. (Law) reply to charge or pleading, esp. to plaintiff's replication; say in answer, retort; join (one's companion, regiment, etc.) again. [f. F *reĭĭndre* JOIN], RE-9, or perh. partly as foll.]

re-ĭĭĭn', v.t. & i. Join (t. & i.) together again, reunite. [RE-9 + JOIN, or as prec.]

reĭĭĭn'dĕr, n. What is **REĭĭĭn'd** or said in reply, retort. [as **REĭĭĭn'**, -ER¹]

reĭĭv'ĕnĭĕte, **reĭĭv'ĕnĭze**, (-ōō-), vv.t. & i. Make or become young again. Hence ~A'TION, ~ĭĭĕr², nn., (-ōō-). [RE-9, L *juvenis* young, -ĭĕĕt², -ĭze]

reĭĭvĕnĭĕscĕ' (-ōō-), v.i. & t. Become young again; (Biol., i. & t. of cells) get, fill with, fresh vitality. Hence ~ĕs'ĕĕnt a., ~ĕs'ĕĕnce n., (-ōō-). [f. LL *reĭĭvĕnĕscĕre* f. L *juvenis*, -ĕscĕnt), RE-9]

rekindle. See **RE-9**.

-rel, also **-ĕrel**, suf. of dim. & depreciating tendency, occas. repr. OF **-ĕrel**, mod. F **-ĕreau**, but usu. in native wds of obscure origin.

relabel. See **RE-8**.

relāps'e, v.i., & n. 1. Fall back, sink again, into wrong-doing, error, heresy, weakness or illness, quiescence or indolence, (often into). 2. n. Act or fact of ~ing, esp. deterioration in patient's condition after partial recovery. [f. L *relābi laps* slip, RE-9]

relāĭĕ', v.t. & i. 1. Narrate, recount, whence ~ĕr¹ n. 2. Bring into relation, establish relation between, (to, with, or ~~and~~; connect ~s the phenomena with or to

anything we know or to each other); (p.p.) connected, allied, akin by blood or marriage, (the law extends to several ~ed groups; is ~ed to the royal family), whence ~ĕdness n. 3. Have reference to, stand in some relation to, (notices nothing but what ~es to himself; how parts ~e to parts). [f. L *relat* -ĕrĕr]

relā'tion, n. 1. Narration, a narrative; (Law) laying of information before Attorney-General for him to take action upon (proceeding at the ~ of the Board of Trade). 2. What one person or thing has to do with another, way in which one stands or is related to another, kind of connexion or correspondence or contrast or feeling that prevails between persons or things, (the ~s primarily expressed by prepositions are those of place & time; the outlay seems to bear no ~, is out of all ~, to the object aimed at; the ~ between them is that of guardian & ward; ~s are rather strained, cordiality is impaired; the report has ~ to a state of things now past; in or rarely with ~ to, as regards), whence ~ĕl a., ~ĕlly² adv., (-sho-). 3. Kinship lit. or fig. (rare, now usu. ~SHIP n.). 4. Kinsman, kinswoman, relative (occas. with mixture of prec. sense, as is he any ~, what ~ is he, to you?; he is no ~). Hence ~ĕss (-sho-) a. [f. L *relatio* (prec., -ĭon)]

rel'ative, a. & n. 1. (gram.). Referring, & attaching a subordinate clause, to an expressed or implied antecedent (~ pronoun, as in *The man whom you saw*; ~ adjective, as in *Which things are an allegory*; ~ adverb, as in *The place where he died*); (of clause) attached to antecedent by ~ word. 2. (rare). Having mutual relations, corresponding in some way, related to each other, (different yet ~ designs). 3. (rare). Pertinent, relevant, related to the subject, (without some more ~ proof). 4. Comparative (what are the ~ merits of the two?; made the next attempt with ~ coolness); in relation to something else (their ~ positions are the same though they are miles apart); proportioned to something else (supply is ~ to demand); implying comparison (heat, speed, strength, are ~ words); correlative or essentially involving a different but corresponding idea (the conceptions of husband & wife are ~ to each other); not having absolute existence but conditioned (she is beautiful to me, but beauty is ~ to the beholder's eye). 5. Having reference, relating, to (detailed the facts ~ to the matter; also loosely as adv., as I wrote to him ~ to renewal of the lease); hence ~ĕly² (-vĭ-) adv. 6. n. (Gram.) ~ word, esp. pronoun (the principal ~s are who, which, that, what), whence **relāĭv'ĕl** a.; (Philos.) ~ thing or term. 7. Kinsman, kinswoman, relation by blood or marriage. [f. L *relativus* (RELATE, -ĭvĕr)]

relativism, *n.* Doctrine that knowledge is of relations only. So **~ism** (2) *n.* [prec., **-ISM**]

relativity, *n.* Relativeness; (Philos.) Einstein's theory of the universe, based on the principle that all motion is relative, regarding space-time as a fourth dimension, & invalidating previous conceptions of gravitation, the ether, geometry, & other matters. [**-ITY**]

relat'or, *n.* Relater (now rare); (Law) maker of RELATION (legal sense). [**L** (RELATE, **-OR**)]

relax, *v.t. & i.* Cause or allow to become loose or slack or limp, enfeeble, enervate, mitigate, abate, (*~ the bowels, the muscles, one's grasp, discipline, a rule, one's attention, one's efforts*; *~ed throat*, form of sore throat; *place has a ~ing climate*, opp. *bracing*); grow less tense or rigid or stern or ceremonious or energetic or zealous (*his hold, hands, severity, features, manner, endeavours, ~ed*; *must not ~ in one's efforts*). [**f. L** *re(laxare)* see **LAX**, **RE-9**]

relaxa'tion, *n.* Partial remission of penalty, duty, etc.; cessation from work, recreation, amusements; diminution of tension, severity, precision, etc. [**f. L** *relaxatio* (prec., **-ATION**)]

relay¹, *n., & v.t. & i.* 1. Set of fresh horses substituted for tired ones; gang of men, supply of material, etc., similarly used (*~ race*, between teams of which each person does part of the distance, the 2nd etc. members of teams starting when the 1st etc. end); (Telog.) instrument reinforcing long-distance current with local battery. 2. *vb.* Arrange in, provide with, replace by, get, *~(s)*; (Wireless) broadcast (a message, programme, originating at, and received from, another station). [**f. OF** *relais n., relayeur vb.* etym. dub.]

re-lay², *v.t.* Lay again. [**RE-8**]

release¹, *v.t.* 1. (Law) remit, surrender, make over to another, (debt, right, property), whence **~EE**, **~OR**², *nn.* 2. Set free, liberate, deliver, unfasten, (*from*); (Cinemat.) issue (film etc.) for general exhibition. Hence **~ABLE** *a.* [**f. OF** *releaser f. L* *RELAXARE*]

release², *n.* 1. Deliverance, liberation, from trouble, sorrow, life, duty, confinement, or fixed position. 2. Written discharge, receipt; legal conveyance of right or estate to another, document effecting this. 3. Handle, catch, etc., that releases part of machine etc. [**f. OF** *reles* (prec.)]

rel'égiate, *v.t.* Banish to some place of exile; consign or dismiss to some usu. inferior position, sphere, etc.; transfer (matter) for decision or execution, refer (person) for information etc., to. Hence **~ABLE** *a.*, **~ATION** *n.* [**f. L** *re(ligare)* send], **RE-8**, **-ATE**²]

relent¹, *v.i.* Relax severity, become less stern, abandon harsh intention, yield to compassion. Hence **~ingly**² *adv.*, **~LESS** *a.*, **~lessly**² *adv.*, **~lessness** *n.* [ult. **f. RE-9**, **L** *lentus* soft; cf. **F** *relentir*]

rel'evant, *a.* Bearing upon, pertinent to, the matter in hand. Hence **~ANCE**, **~ANCY**, *nn.*, **~antly**² *adv.* [**f. L** *relevare* **RELIEVE**, **-ANT**; from 16th c.]

reli'able, *a.* That may be relied upon, of sound & consistent character or quality. Hence **~ABILITY** *n.* (*~ability trials*, long-distance trials of motor vehicles designed to test dependableness, endurance, etc. rather than speed), **~ableness** *n.*, **~ably**² *adv.* [**RELY**, **-ABLE**; from 16th c.; an established wd avoided by purists as of irreg. formation]

reli'ance, *n.* Trust, confidence, (usu. *upon, on, in; have, place, feel, ~ upon* etc.; *my ~ is upon God*); thing depended upon (*the well is our chief ~*). So **reli'ANT** *a.* [**RELY**, **-ANCE**]

rel'ic, *n.* 1. Part of holy person's body or belongings kept after his death as object of reverence; memento, souvenir. 2. pl. Dead body, remains, of person; what has survived destruction or wasting, remnant, residue, scraps. 3. Surviving trace or memorial of a custom, belief, period, people, etc.; object interesting for age or associations. [**f. F** *relique f. RELIQUAE*]

rel'ict, *n.* Widow (usu. *his* etc. *~, or ~ of*); (rare) = prec. [**f. p.p. of L** *relinquere* **-ict** leave], **RE-3**]

relief¹, *n.* 1. Alleviation of or deliverance from pain, distress, anxiety, etc. (*the medicine brought ~; it is a ~ to come across an optimist*). 2. Feature etc. that diversifies monotony or relaxes tension (*a blank wall without ~; a comic scene follows by way of ~*). 3. Assistance given to the poor esp. || formerly under the Poor Law (*recipients of public ~ shall not be eligible*) or to persons in special danger or difficulty (*a ~ fund for the earthquake victims; ~-works, building etc. operations started to give work to the unemployed*). 4. Reinforcement & esp. raising of siege of besieged town. 5. (Replacing of person or persons on duty by) person(s) appointed to take turn of duty. 6. Redress of hardship or grievance. [**OF** (*releaver* **RELIEVE**)]

relief², *n.* Method of moulding or carving or stamping in which design stands out from plane or curved surface with projections proportioned & more or less (*high, low, ~*) closely approximating to those of objects imitated (*the profile of Julius in ~*); piece of sculpture etc. in *~*; appearance of being done in *~* given by arrangement of line or colour or shading, distinctness of outline lit. or fig., vividness, (*stands out in ~; bring out the facts*

in full ~); ~map, map-model showing the elevations and depressions of the area dealt with, usu. on an exaggerated relative scale, (also) ordinary map indicating hills and valleys by shading, colouring, or hachures, rather than by contour lines alone. [f. It. *rilievo* (*rilievare* raise f. L *as RELIEVE*)]

relieve', v.t. 1. Bring, give, be a, RELIEF¹ to (*town was ~ed; am much ~ed to hear it; devotes himself to ~ing distress or the distressed*); || ~ing officer, parish or union official charged with care of the poor; ~ing arch, built in substance of wall to ~e part below from weight; ~e one's feelings, by strong language or some ebullition; ~e nature, evacuate bladder or bowels; a black bodice ~ed with white lace; ~e guard, come & take one's turn on guard; you shall be ~ed at 10.30; ~e one of load, take it off him, also joc., as a tramp ~ed him of his purse). 2. Bring into RELIEF², exhibit with appearance of solidity or detachment, (esp. in p.p., often against background). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *relever* f. L *rel(vare* f. *levis* light), RE-9]

reliev'ō, n. (pl. ~s). = RELIEF² esp. in lit. senses (ALTO, BASSO, MEZZO, ~). [f. It. *rilievo* RELIEF² w. anglicized spelling & pronounc.]

religion (-jn), n. 1. Monastic condition, being monk or nun, (*enter into, be in, ~*); (rare) a monastic order. 2. (rare). Practice of sacred rites. 3. One of the prevalent systems of faith & worship (*the Christian, Mohammedan, ~*; *established ~*, that of established CHURCH¹; NATURAL, REVEAL^{ed}, ~; *all ~s are the same to him*). 4. Human recognition of superhuman controlling power & esp. of a personal God entitled to obedience, effect of such recognition on conduct & mental attitude, (*get ~, vulg. or joc., be converted to such belief*). 5. Action that one is bound to do (*make a ~ of doing*). Hence ~LESS (-jon-) a. [f. L *religio* perh. connected w. *religare* bind), RE-9]

religioner (-jon-), n. Member of monastic order; person zealous for religion. [-ER¹]

religionism (-jon-), n. Excessive religious zeal. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

religionize (-jon-), v.t. & i. Convert to or imbue with religion; exhibit religious zeal. [-IZE]

religiōse, a. Morbidly religious. [as RELIGIOUS, -OSE¹]

religiōsity, n. Being religious or religiose. [f. LL *religiositas* (foll., -ITY)]

relig'ious (-jus), a. & n. 1. Imbued with religion, pious, god-fearing, devout; of, belonging to, a monastic order; of, concerned with, religion; scrupulous, conscientious, (*with ~ care, exactitude, etc.*); Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., (-jus-). 2. n. (As sing. with a etc., & as pl. in same form with *the, some, several, etc.*) person bound

by monastic vows. [f. L *religiosus* (RELIGION, -OSE¹)]

reline. See RE-9.

relinq'uish, v.t. Give up, abandon, cease from, resign, surrender, (habit, plan, hope, belief, right, possession); loose hold of (object held). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *relinquish* f. L *re(linquere* leave), RE-8, -ISH¹]

rel'iquary, n. Repository for relic(s). [f. F *reliquaire* (RELIC, -ARY¹)]

rel'iquae, n. pl. Remains; (Geol.) fossil remains of animals or plants; (Bot.) withered remains of leaves decaying on stem. [L (*reliquus* remaining, f. *relinquere* RELINQUISH, -IA¹)]

rel'ish¹, n. 1. Flavour, distinctive taste of; slight dash or tinge of some quality. 2. Appetizing flavour, attractive quality, (*meat has no ~ when one is ill; horsey play loses its ~ after childhood*); thing eaten with plainer food to add flavour. 3. Enjoyment of food or other things, zest, liking for, (*eat, read, appreciate fest, etc., with great ~; has no ~ for poetry*). [earlier & OF *reles* aftertaste (*relesser* RELEASE¹) w. assim. to -ISH¹]

rel'ish², v.t. & i. Serve as relish to, make piquant etc.; get pleasure out of, like, be pleased with, (*thought he could ~ a lobster; does not ~ the prospect*), whence ~ABLE a.; taste, savour, smack, suggest presence, of; affect the lit. or fig. taste well, badly, etc. [f. prec.]

relive, reload. See RE-8.

relu'cent (-ōō-), a. (rare). Shining, bright. [f. L *re(luere* shine), RE-6, -ENT]

reluct', v.i. (now rare). Feel or show reluctance, make opposition, (*at, against*). So ~ATE³ (in same sense) v.i., **relucta'⁴ TION** n. [f. L *re(luctari* struggle), RE-2]

reluc'tant, a. Struggling, offering resistance, hard to work or get or manage, (esp. poet.); unwilling, disinclined, to do or abs. (*am very ~ to admit; gave me ~ assistance*). Hence **reluc'tance** n., ~LY³ adv. [as prec., -ANT]

relūme' (or -ōōm), v.t. (poet.). Rekindle (light or flame lit. or fig.); make (eyes etc.) bright again; light (sky etc.) up again. [RE-9, & as ILLUME]

rely', v.i. Put one's trust, depend with confidence, (upon) person or thing (*is ~ing upon a broken reed; I ~ upon you to do it, its being done, today; you may ~ upon it that he will be here*). [earlier senses rally, adhere to, be vassal of; f. OF *relier* bind together, f. L *religare* bind), RE-9]

remain¹, v.i. 1. Be left over after abstraction or use of or dealing with the rest (*the few pleasures that ~ to an old man; worse things ~ to be told; nothing ~s but to draw the moral*). 2. Abide, stay in same place or condition, continue to exist, be extant, be left behind, (*~ three weeks in Paris; let it ~ as it is; as things have been they ~; the Parthenon ~s to attest, or*

as a proof of it; this visit will always ~ in my memory; the luggage unfortunately ~ed on the platform; victory ~ed with the Thebans). 3. (With compl.) continue to be (one thing ~s certain; ~ faithful etc.; I ~ yours truly etc., formula concluding letter). [f. OF *remanere* f. L *remanere* stay], RE-3]

re'main', n. 1. (Usu. pl.) what remains over, surviving members or parts or amount, (the ~s of a nation, family, meal, stock, building, of one's conscience or strength, etc.; also in pl. as sing., & in sing., as here there is the ~s, a ~, of a temple); (usu. pl.) relics or relic of obsolete custom or of antiquity. 2. pl. Works, esp. those not before or yet published, left by author (rarely in sing. of single work). 3. pl. Dead body, corpse. [OF (prec.)]

re'main'd'er, n., & v.t. 1. (Law) residual interest in estate devised to another (cf. *REVERSION*) simultaneously with creation of estate (~ man, devisee of ~), right of succession to title or position on holder's decease, whence ~SHIP n. 2. Residue, remaining persons or things; (Arith.) number left after subtraction; (Book-selling) copies left unsold when demand has ceased & often offered at reduced price, (vb) treat or dispose of (edition) as ~; (attrib.) left over. [AF (*REMAIN'dre*, -ER⁴)]

remake, see RE-8; **reman**, RE-8, 9.

re'mand' (-ah-), v.t., & n. 1. Send back to, reconsign, (now rare in gen. sense); send back (prisoner) into custody to allow of further inquiry. 2. n. Recommitment to custody. [f. LL *re(mandare)* commit], RE-9]

re'm'nant, a. Remaining, residual, (now rare exc. in ~ magnetism, that left in iron after electric excitation). [f. L part. as foll., see -ENT]

re'm'anet, n. Remaining part, residue; postponed lawsuit or parliamentary bill. [L, -it remains (*REMAIN'*)]

remargin. See RE-8.

re'mark', v.t. & i. Take notice of, perceive, regard with attention, observe, (person, thing, fact, that etc.); say by way of comment; make comment (upon). [f. F *re(marquer)* MARK³], RE-6]

re'mark', n. Noticing, observing, (worthy of ~, remarkable), commenting (is the theme of general ~; let it pass without ~); a written or spoken comment, anything said, (his ~s are often interesting; make a ~, speak). [f. F *re(marquer)* (prec.)]

re'mark'able, a. Worth notice, exceptional, striking, conspicuous. Hence ~ness n., ~LY³ adv. [f. F *re(marquer)* (*REMARK'*, -ABLE)]

re'marque (*re'mark'*), n. Mark, usu. marginal sketch, indicating certain state of engraving plate. [F]

remarry etc., **remast**. See RE-8.

remblai (*rahnbli'*), n. (Fortif.) earth used to form ramparts, parapets, etc.; earth brought to form railway embankments etc. [F, f. *remblayer* embank]

Rēmbrāntdēsque' (-sk), a. & n. (After) the style of Rembrandt, with marked effects of light & shade. [-ESQUE]

rēm'ed'y, n., & v.t. 1. Cure for disease, healing medicine or treatment, means of removing or counteracting or relieving any evil (for), redress, legal or other reparation, whence or cogn. *rēmēd'ial* a., *rēmēd'ialiy*² adv., (now poet. or rhet.) *rēmēd'iless* (or *rēm'i-*) a., *rēmēd'ilessly*² adv. 2. Margin within which coins as minted may differ from the standard fineness and weight. 3. v.t. Cure medically (now rare); rectify, make good; so *rēmēd'iable* a. [vb f. L *remediare*, n. f. AF *remedie*, f. L *re(medium)* f. *mederi* heal], RE-1]

rēmēm'ber, v.t. 1. Retain in the memory, not forget, recall to mind, recollect, know by heart, (person, thing, fact, that, to do, how to do, when, why, etc., or abs.; ~ oneself, bethink oneself of one's manners or intentions after a lapse; also refl. with me, him, etc., arch., as I ~ me that, they ~ed them of), whence ~ABLE a. 2. Make present to, tip, (~ed me in his will; ~ the waiter). 3. Mention in one's prayers. 4. Convey greetings from (person) to another (~ me kindly to them; begs to be ~ed to you). [f. OF *re(membre)* f. LL *re(memorari)* f. L *memor* mindful], RE-9]

rēmēm'brance, n. 1. Remembering or being remembered, memory, recollection, (has escaped my ~; have in, call to, ~; put in ~, remind; have no ~ of it; more than once within my ~; a pillar in ~ of the exploit). 2. Keepsake, souvenir, memorial. 3. pl. Greetings conveyed through third person. [F (prec., -ANCE)]

rēmēm'brancer, n. 1. || King's, Queen's, R~, officer collecting debts due to sovereign; || City R~, representing Corporation of City of London before parliamentary committees etc. 2. Reminder, memento, of. [AF (prec., -ER³)]

remigrate etc. See RE-9.

rēmind', v.t. Put (person) in mind of, to do, that, how, etc., or abs. [RE-8, MIND vb]

rēm'in'd'er, n. Thing that reminds or is meant to remind. [-ER¹]

rēmind'ful, a. Acting as a reminder, reviving the memory, of. [-FUL]

rēmimis'cence, n. 1. Remembering, recovery of knowledge by mental effort, (Platonic doctrine of ~, that all knowledge is such recovery of things known to the soul in previous existences). 2. Remembered (& related) fact or incident; (pl.)

collection in literary form of incidents that person remembers. 3. Point in thing reminding or suggestive of other thing (*there is a ~ of the Greek type in her face*). Hence **reminiscent** ¹ **IAL** (-shl) a. [*f. LL *reminiscentia* f. L *reminisci* cogn. w. MIND*] remember, RE-9, -ENCE]

reminiscent, a. Recalling past things, given to or concerned with retrospection, mindful or having memories of; reminding or suggestive of. Hence **~LY** adv. [as prec., -ENT]

remint. See RE-8.

remise ¹ (-éz), n., & v.t. 1. (arch.). Coach-house, carriage hired from livery-stable. 2. (fenc.). Second thrust made for recovery from first; (v.t.) make ~. [F, vbl n. f. *remettre* REMIT]

remise ² (-iz), v.t. (legal). Surrender, make over, (right, property). [*f. F *remis*(c) p.p. as prec.*]

remiss, a. Careless of duty, lax, negligent; lacking force or energy. Hence **~LY** adv., **~NESS** n. [*f. L *remittere**]

remissible, a. That may be remitted. [*f. L *remissibilis* (REMIT, -IBLE)*]

remission (-shn), n. 1. Forgiveness of sins etc., forgiveness of sins; remitting of debt, penalty, etc. 2. Diminution of force, effect, degree, violence, etc. 3. Act of remitting in other senses (rare). So **remission** ¹ **IVE** a. [OF, *f. L *remissionem** (foll., -ION)]

remitt, v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. (Usu. of God) pardon (sins etc.); refrain from exacting or inflicting or executing (debt, punishment, sentence). 2. Abate (t. & i.), slacken, mitigate, partly or entirely cease from or cease, (~ one's anger or efforts, the siege; pain, enthusiasm, begins to ~). 3. Refer (matter for decision etc.) to some authority, send back (case) to lower court. 4. Send or put back (in) to previous state; postpone, defer, to or till. 5. Transmit (money etc.), get conveyed by post etc., whence **~t'er** ¹ [-ER¹], **~TEE'**, nn. Hence **~t'AL**(2) n. [*f. L *remittere* miss- send*], RE-5]

remittance, n. Money sent to person; consignment of goods sent (rare); sending of money; **~man**, emigrant subsisting on ~s from home, person paid to stay abroad. [prec., -ANCE]

remittent, a. & n. (Fever) that abates at intervals (cf. *intermittent*). [REMIT, -ENT]

remitt'er, n. (legal); for **remitter** ¹ see **REMIT**. Substitution, in favour of holder of two titles to estate, of the more valid for the other by which he entered on possession; remitting of case to other court; restoration to rights, rehabilitation, (rare). [-ER¹]

remnant, n. The little or few that remain(s), small remaining quantity or piece or number of persons or things; surviving trace of; fragment, scrap, esp. piece of cloth etc. offered at reduced price

when greater part has been used up. [short for obs. & OF *remanant*, *-manant*, (*remanoir* **REMAIN**¹, -ANT)]

remodel. See RE-8.

remôn'êtise (or -mûn'), v.t. Restore (metal etc.) to former position as legal tender. Hence **~ATION** n. [RE-9]

remôn'strance, n. (Hist.) formal statement of public grievances (*the Grand Remonstration* from House of Commons to Crown 1641); remonstrating, expostulation, a protest. [OF (foll., -ANOR)]

remôn'strâte, v.t. & t. Make protest, expostulate, (*against* course, *with* person, *on* or *upon* matter, or *abs.*); urge in remonstrance (*that* or *parenth.*). Hence or cogn. **~ANT** a. & n., **~ANTLY**, **~ATINGLY**, adv., **~ATIVE** a., **~ATOR** ¹ n. [*f. med. L *remonstrare* show*], RE-2, -ATE³]

remôn'tant, a. & n. (Rose) blooming more than once in year. [F (*remonter* **REMOUNT**², -ANT)]

rem'ora, n. The sucking-fish, formerly supposed to stay course of ship to which it adhered; obstruction, impediment, (now rare). [L (RE-2, *mora* delay), =impediment, sucking-fish]

remôrse, n. Bitter repentance for wrong committed, whence **~FUL** (-sf) a., **~FULLY** ¹ adv.; compunction, compassionate reluctance to inflict pain or be cruel, (chiefly in *without* ~), whence **~LESS** (-sl-) a., **~LESSLY** ¹ adv., **~LESSNESS** n. [OF *remors* f. LL *remorvus* -us f. *morde* mors- bite], RE-3]

remôte, a. (~r, ~st). 1. Far apart. 2. Far away or off in place or time, not closely related, distant or widely different or by nature separate from, (*lies ~ from the road*; *came from the ~st parts of the earth*; *memorials of ~ ages*; *a ~ ancestor*, *descendant*, *kinsman*; *~ causes*, *effects*; *introduces considerations ~ from the subject*). 3. Out-of-the-way, secluded, (*a ~ village*; *lives ~*). 4. (Chiefly superl., of idea etc.) slight(est), faint(est), least, (*have not the ~st*, *have only a very ~ conception of what he means*). Hence **~LY** ¹ (-tl-) adv., **~NESS** (-tn-) n. [*f. L *remotus* (REMOVE¹)*]

remould, **remount** ¹. See RE-8.

remount ², v.t. & i. Go up, get on to, (hill, ladder, horse, etc.) again; go up again, get on horseback again, make fresh ascent; go back to specified date, period, source. [f. OF *remonter* **REMONTE**¹], RE-9]

remo'vable (-môv-), a. & n. In vbl senses; esp., (of magistrate or official) subject to removal from office, holding office during pleasure of Crown or other authority; || (n.) **~able** magistrate in Ireland. Hence **~ABILITY** n. [foll., -ABLE]

remove ¹ (-ôv), v.t. & i. 1. Take off or away from place occupied, convey to another place, change situation of, get rid of, dismiss, (~ one's hat, the tea-things, old traces; ~ mountains, do miracle; cardinal was ~ed by poison; ~ magistrate from

office; boy is ~d from school, taken away by parents etc.; this will ~ all apprehension, the last doubts; ~ furniture, for persons changing house, as special trade, whence *rémovēre*¹ (-mōv- n.); || (pass., of course at dinner etc.) be succeeded by (boiled haddock ~d by hashed mutton). 2. Change one's residence, go away from, (am removing from London to Oxford; truth has ~d from earth). 3. p.p. Distant or remote from (is not many degrees ~d from the brute); (of cousins) once, twice, etc., ~d, with difference of one, two, etc., generations (my first cousin once, twice, ~d, cousin's child or parent's cousin, cousin's grandchild or grandparent's cousin). Hence *rémovēre*¹ (-mōv- n. (not of cousinship). [f. OF *remouvoir* f. L *re(movēre) MOVE*, RE- 4]

remove² (-ōv), n. 1. || Dish that succeeds another at table. 2. || Promotion to higher form at school (has not got his ~); || (in some schools) a certain form or division. 3. (rare). Change of residence, departure, removal; distance (at a certain ~ its shape seems to change). 4. Stage in gradation, degree, (is but one ~, few ~s, from), esp. in consanguinity (cf. prec.). [f. prec.]

remün'er/āte, v.t. Reward, pay for service rendered; serve as or provide recompense for (toll etc.) or to (person). Hence ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a., ~atively² adv., ~ativeness n. [f. L *re(munerari) f. munus-eris reward*, RE- 1]

renaiss'ance (& see Ap.), n. Revival of art & letters under influence of classical models in 14th-16th cc., period of its progress, style of art & architecture developed by it, (often attrib., as ~ painters, architecture, church); any similar revival. [F (*renaitre* be born again) after *naissance* birth, cf. RENASCENCE]

ren'al, a. Of the kidneys. [f. LL *renalis* (ren kidney, -AL)]

rename. See RE- 8.

renās'cence, n. Rebirth, renewal; = RENAISSANCE. [foll., -ENCE]

renās'cent, a. Springing up anew, being reborn. [f. L *renasci* be born), RE- 8, -ENT]

rencoun'ter, **rencōn'tre** (-ter, & see Ap.), n. (now rare). Encounter, battle, skirmish, duel; casual meeting. [f. F *rencontre* (*rencontrer*, see RE-, ENCOUNTER)]

rend, v.t. & i. (*rent*). 1. Tear or wrench (off, away, out of, from, asunder, apart, etc., or abs.; arch. or rhet.; a province rent from the empire; ~ one's garments, hair, in sign of grief etc.; turn & ~ one, fig., abuse him unexpectedly). 2. Split or divide (t. & l.) in two or in pieces or usu. into factions (~ talks, make them by splitting wood; Europe was rent in two by the question; shouds ~ the air, sound explosively;

heart is rent by contending emotions; the veil ~s). [OE *rendan*, cf. OFris. *renda*]

rēn'der, v.t., & n. 1. Give in return (~ thanks, good for evil). 2. Give back (arch.); hand over, deliver, give up, surrender, (chiefly arch.; ~ to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; grave ~s up its dead; fortress was ~ed on terms). 3. Pay (tribute etc.), show (obedience etc.), do (service etc.), (usu. to or with ind. obj.). 4. Produce for inspection, submit, present, send in, (account, reason, etc.; will have to ~ an account of; account ~ed, bill previously sent in & not yet paid, phr. used as substitute for repetition of items). 5. Reproduce, portray, give representation or performance or effect of, execute, translate, (painter has hardly ~ed the expression; the quartet, Iago, the dramatist's conception, were well ~ed; how would you ~ solvitur ambulando?; poetry can never be adequately ~ed in another language), whence ~ING¹ (1, 2) n. 6. (With obj. & compl.) make, cause to be, convert into, (age had ~ed him peevish; the tone ~ed it an insult). 7. Melt (fat) down, extract by melting, clarify. 8. Cover (stone, brick) with first coat of plaster; ~set v.t., plaster (wall etc.) with two coats, n. & a., (plastering) of two coats. 9. n. (legal). Return in money or kind or service made by tenant to superior. [f. OF *rendre* ult. f. L *reddere reddit-* (RE-, dare give)]

rendezvous (rōn'drīvō), n. (pl. same, pr. -ōōz), & v.i. (~es, ~ed, ~ing, pr. -ōōz, -ōōd, -ōōing). 1. Place appointed for assembling of troops or ships; place of common resort; meeting-place agreed on, meeting by agreement (place of ~). 2. v.i. Meet at ~. [F, f. *rendez vous* (*rendre*, see prec.) betake yourselves]

rēnd'i'tion, n. 1. Surrender of place or person (now rare). 2. A translation; interpretation, rendering, of dramatic role, musical piece, etc. [F (obs.), f. *rendre* RENDER, -ION]

rēn'ēgāde n. & v.i., **rēnēgād'ō** (arch.) n. 1. Apostate, esp. from Christianity to Mohammedanism; deserter of party or principles, turncoat. 2. v.i. Turn ~; so **rēnēgā'tion** n. [Sp. (-o), f. med. L *re(negatus) f. negare deny*, RE- 9]

rēnēg(u)ē' (-ēg), v.i. & t. (Cards) revoke; (arch.) deny, renounce, abandon. [f. med. L *renegare* f. RE- + *negare* deny]

renew, v.t. & i. 1. Restore to original state, make (as good as) new, resuscitate, revivify, regenerate, (nature dies & is ~ed; ~ person's life, sorrow, energy; ~ the golden age; rose from her knees ~ed by the Holy Spirit; ~ed by baptism). 2. Patch, fill up, reinforce, replace, (coat ~ed in places; ~ the water in the bowl; ~ garrison, fires, etc.). 3. Get, begin, make, say, or give, anew, continue after

intermission, (~ one's *youth, strength*, etc., grow young etc. again; ~ *attack, correspondence, speech, game, efforts*; ~ one's *vows, statements*, etc.; ~ *lease, bill, grant* or be granted continuation of it); (abs.) ~ *lease* or bill. 4. (rare). Become new again (*the clamour ~ed; feel my youth ~ing*). Hence ~**ABLE** a., ~**AL**(2) n. [RE-, NEW]

ren'iform, a. Kidney-shaped. [REINS, -FORM]

rënn'ët¹, n. Curdled milk found in stomach of unweaned calf, or preparation of stomach-membrane or of kinds of plant, used in curdling milk for cheese etc. [f. *renne* obs. form of **RUN**¹]

|| **rënn'ët**², n. Kinds of dessert apple. [f. *F reinette*, prob. f. *reine* queen f. L **REGINA**, -ETTE]

renounce', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Consent formally to abandon, surrender, give up, (claim, right, possession). 2. Repudiate, refuse to recognize longer, decline association or disclaim relationship with, withdraw from, discontinue, forsake, (~ *treaty, principles, person's authority, all thought of, design, attempt, son etc., friend, friendship*; ~ *the world, abandon society* or temporal affairs). 3. (Law) refuse or resign right or position esp. as heir or trustee. 4. (Cards) follow with card of another suit for want of right one (cf. **REVOKE**); (n.) playing of such card, opportunity of doing so (*has a ~ in hearts*). Hence ~**MENT** (-ism) n. [f. *F renoncer* f. L *renunciare* ANNOUNCE, RE-5]

ren'oviate, v.t. Make new again, repair, restore to good condition or vigour. Hence ~**ATION**, ~**ATOR**², nn. [f. L *renovare* f. *novus* now], RE-9, -ATE³]

renown', n. Celebrity, fame, high distinction, (*man, town*, etc., of ~ or *great* etc. ~, famous). [AF *renoun* = OF *renon* f. *renomer* make famous f. L *renominare* NOMINATE], RE-8]

renowned' (-nd), a. Famous, celebrated. [obs. *renoun* celebrate f. OF *renomer* see prec.]

rënt¹. See **REND**.

rënt², n. Tear in garment etc., opening in clouds etc. resembling tear; cleft, fissure, gorge. [f. obs. *rent* vb, var. of **REND**]

rënt³, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Tenant's periodical payment to owner or landlord for use of land or house or room; payment for hire of machinery etc.; ~*charge*, periodical charge on land etc. reserved by deed to one who is not the owner; ~*free* a. & adv., with exemption from ~; ~*roll*, register of person's lands etc. with ~s due from them, sum of one's income from ~; || ~*service*, (tenure by) personal service in lieu of or addition to ~; hence (of land etc., with *low, high*, etc.) ~**rënted**³ a. 2. vb. Take, occupy, use, at a ~; let or hire for ~; be let at specified ~; impose ~ on (tenant); ~s *his tenants low*; hence ~**ABLES** a., **rën'tar**¹ n., (esp.) wholesaler

in the film trade. [f. OF *rente* ult. f. L *reddita* fem. p.p. as **RENDER**]

rën'tal, n. Income from rents; amount paid or received as rent. [AF (prec., -AL)]

rente (rahnt), n. Income, esp. that consisting of life-annuity or dividends. [F]

rentier (rahntiä), n. Person living on rent, person not needing to earn his living. [F]

renüm'ber. See **RE-8**.

renünciä'tion, n. Renouncing, document expressing it; self-denial, giving up of things. So **renün'ciant**(1) n. & a. (-shi-), **renün'ciative** (-sha-), **renün'ciatory** (-shatri), aa. [f. L *renunciatio* (RENOUNCE, -ATION)]

reo-. See **RHEO-**.

reoccupy etc., **reopen**, see **RE-9**; **reorganize** etc., **RE-8**.

rëp¹, **rëpp**, **rëps**, n. Textile fabric with corded surface used in upholstery. [f. *F reps* etym. dub.]

rëp², n. (school sl.). Verse etc. learnt by heart. [abbr. of *repetition*]

rëp³, n. (sl.). Person of loose character. [perh. for **REPROBATE**²]

repaganize etc., **repaint**. See **RE-9**.

repair¹, v.i., & n. 1. Resort, have recourse, go often or in numbers, to. 2. n. (arch.). Resort (*have ~ to*); haunt; being visited by numbers (*a place of great, little, ~*). [f. OF *repaire*(r) f. LL *re(patriare* f. L *patria* native land), RE-9]

repair², v.t. Restore (building, machine, garment, tissue, strength, etc.) to good condition, renovate, mend, by replacing or refixing parts or compensating loss or exhaustion, whence ~**ABLE** a.; remedy, set right again, make amends for, (loss, wrong, error). [f. OF *reparer* f. L *re(parare* make ready), RE-9]

repair³, n. Restoring to sound condition (*health, bicycle, house, boots, need ~; shop is closed during ~s; ~s done while you wait*); good condition, relative condition, for working or using (*is in, out of, ~; must be kept in good, is in bad, ~*). [f. prec.]

rëpând', a. (bot., zool.). With undulating margin, wavy. Hence ~o- comb. form. [f. L *repandus* bent], RE-9]

repaper. See **RE-8**.

rëp'arable, a. (Of loss etc.) that can be made good. [F, f. L *reparabilis* (REPAIR², -ABLE)]

répara'tion, n. 1. Repairing or being repaired, repair, (pl.) repairs, (now usu. *repair, repairs*). 2. Making of amends, compensation (esp., pl., for war damages). So **rëp'arative** (or *ripá't-*) a. [f. OF *reparacion* f. L *reparationem* (REPAIR², -ATION)]

répartee', n., & v.i. Witty retort; (making of) witty retorts (*a great power, a storehouse, of ~*); (vb, now rare) make ~s. [f. *F repartie* fem. p.p. of *re(partis* PART²) start fresh, RE-8]

repartition, see RE-8; **repass** etc., RE-9.
repast' (-ah-), n. (Food supplied for or eaten at) meal (usu. rich, plentiful, slight, delicate, luxurious, etc., ~). [OF, f. *repastre* f. LL *re(pascere past-feed)*, RE-8]

repât'rijâte, v.t. & i. Restore or return to native land. Hence ~ATE¹ (-at) n., one who has been ~ated, ~ATION n. [f. LL *re(patriare f. L patria fatherland)*, RE-9]
repay', v.t. & i. (-paid). Pay back (money); return, retaliate, (blow, visit, service, etc.); give in recompense for; make repayment to (person); make return for, requite, (action); make repayment. Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. [f. OF *re(payer PAY)*, RE-9]

repeal', v.t., & n. 1. Revoke, rescind, annul, (law etc.); hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. Abrogation, ~ing; (Irish Pol.) cancelling of the Union demanded by O'Connell etc., whence ~ER¹ n. (hist.). [f. OF *rapel(er)* (RE-9, APPEAL¹)]

repeat', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Say or do over again, recite, rehearse, report, reproduce, give imitation of, (~ action, statement, poem, conversation, attempt, pattern, signal, etc.); action was ~ed several times, whence ~EDLY² adv.; language will not bear ~ing, is too foul etc. to ~; (of watch etc., abs.) strike last quarter etc. over again when required (so ~ing watch etc. or ~ER¹ n.); (of firearms) fire several shots without reloading (~ing rifle etc.). 2. Recur, appear again or ~edly, (the last three figures ~; food ~s, is tasted intermittently for some time). 3. (refl.). Recur in same form, say or do same thing over again, (history ~s itself; does nothing but ~ himself); hence ~ABLE a. 4. n. ~ing, esp. of item in programme in response to encore; (Mus.) passage intended to be ~ed, mark indicating this; pattern ~ed in wall-paper etc.; (Commerc.) fresh consignment similar to previous one, order given for this. [f. F *répéter* f. L *re(petere seek)*, RE-8]

repel', v.t. (-ll-). 1. Drive back, repulse, ward off, refuse admission or acceptance or approach to, (~ assailant, attack, temptation, weapon, blow, suggestion, plea, offer, person's advances; first attracts & then ~s the magnet). 2. Be repulsive or distasteful to, exert mental repulsion upon, whence ~L'ENT a., ~L'ENTLY² adv. [f. L *re(pellere puls-drive)*, RE-2]

rep'ent¹, a. (chiefly bot.). Creeping, esp. growing along or just under surface of ground. [f. L *repere creep*, ~ENT]

repent'², v.t. & i. 1. (arch.). (Refl., with arch. refl. pron.) feel regret or penitence about something or of (I now ~ me; he ~eth him of the evil); (impers.) ~ with penitence or regret (it ~s me that I did it). 2. Think with contrition of, think with contrition of, be regretful about or of, be contrite, wish one had not done,

(you shall ~ this, of this, or abs.; have nothing to ~ of; ~ my kindness, setting off when I did). So **repén'tance** n., **repén'tant** a., **repén'tantly²** adv. [f. F *repentir* f. L *paenitere* make sorry, RE-3]
repeople. See RE-9.

repercussion etc. See RE-9.

rép'ertoire (-twár), n. Stock of pieces etc. that company or performer knows or is prepared to give. [F (*ré-*), f. L as foll.]

rép'ertory, n. 1. Place for finding something, store or collection, esp. of information, instances, facts, etc. 2. = prec. (~ theatre, company, system, relying on ~ & not on long runs). [f. L *repertorium* (*reperire -pert-* find f. RE-, OL *parire* ~ L *parere* produce, ~ORY)]

reperuse etc. See RE-8.

répétend', n. Recurring figures of decimal; recurring word or phrase, refrain. [f. L as REPEAT, ~ND¹]

répétit'ion, n. REPEATING or being repeated; piece set to be learnt by heart; copy, replica; ability of musical instrument to repeat note quickly. Hence ~IONAL, ~IONARY¹, (-sho-), ~IOUS (-shus), **répét'itive**, aa. (rare). [f. L *repetitio* (RE-8, PETITION)]

repiece. See RE-9.

répin'e, v.i. Fret, be discontented, (at, against, or abs.). Hence ~INGLY² adv. [RE-6, PINE²]

réplique' (-ôk), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Winning of 30 points on cards alone before beginning to play in piquet. 2. vb. Score ~ against (opponent); make ~. [f. F *repic* (RE-, PIQUE²)]

réplac'e, v.t. Put back in place; take place of, succeed, be substituted for, (pass.) be succeeded or have one's or its place filled by, be superseded; fill up place of (with, by), find or provide substitute for. Hence ~ABLE (-sa-) a., ~MENT (-sm-) n., (also) person or thing that ~s another. [RE-9, PLACE²]

replant etc. See RE-8.

réplay', v.t. Play (a match) over again; hence **rép'lay** n., a ~ed match. [RE-8]

réplén'ish, v.t. Fill up again (with or abs.); (p.p.) filled, fully stored, full, (with or abs.). Hence ~MENT n. [f. OF *re(plenir ult. f. L plenus full)*, RE-9, ~ISH¹]

réplète', a. Filled, stuffed, fully imbued, well stocked, with; gorged, sated, (with). So ~ETION n. (esp. full to ~etion). [f. L *re(pletre plet-fill)*, RE-6]

réplévin, n. Restoration or recovery of distrained goods on security given for submission to trial & judgement; writ granting ~; action arising out of ~. [AF, f. OF as foll.]

réplévy', v.t. Recover by replevin. [f. OF *replevir* etym. dub.; see FLEDGE¹], RE-9]

rép'lica, n. Duplicate made by original

artist of his picture etc.; facsimile, exact copy. [It. (*replicare* REPLY)]

rep'licate¹, n. Tone one or more octaves above or below given tone. [as foll.]

rep'licate², a. (bot.). Folded back on itself. [as foll., -ATE²]

rep'licate³, v.t. (rare). Repeat; make replica of; fold back. [L *replicare* fold], RE-9, -ATE³]

replica'tion, n. 1. Folding back, fold, (rare). 2. Replying, rejoinder, answer, esp. reply to answer; (Law) plaintiff's reply to defendant's plea. 3. Echo. 4. Copy, copying. [OF, f. L *replicationem* (prec., -ATION)]

reply¹, v.t. & t., & n. 1. Make answer, respond, in word or action (*to*; abs., *that* etc., or parenth.; *rose to ~ for the ladies*, represent them in returning thanks for toast; *the batteries replied to our fire*; *he replied that I must please myself*; 'Please yourself' *he replied*). 2. n. Act of ~ing (*what he says in ~*); what is replied, response; ~ *paid*, (of telegram) with cost of ~ prepaid by sender. [f. OF *replier* f. L as REPLICATE²]

repoint, repolish. See RE-9.

réponset s'il vous plaît (see Ap.), formula appounded (usu. in abbr. *R.S.V.P.*) to invitation or other letter, = please answer. [F]

repopulate. See RE-9.

report¹, v.t. & i. 1. Bring back account of, state as ascertained fact, tell as news, narrate or describe or repeat esp. as eye-witness etc. (*to*), relate as spoken by another, make official or formal statement about, inform against (offence, offender) to authorities or abs., announce oneself as returned or arrived, (~s *open water at pole*, *pole to be accessible*, *that he reached pole*; *it is ~ed*, commonly said; ~ed *all details of the scene to me*; *my actual words & those ~ed to you were quite different*; ~ed *speech*, oblique oration; *chairman of committee ~s bill to House*, announces conclusion of committee's dealings with it between 2nd & 3rd reading; || ~ *progress*, state what has been done so far, *move to ~ progress* in House of Commons, propose that debate be discontinued, often for obstructive purposes; *all variations are to be ~ed daily*; *shall ~ you, your unpunctuality, to senior partner*). 2. Take down word for word or epitomize or write description of for publication (~ *law case*, *proceedings*, *meeting*; also abs., as *reports for The Times*). 3. Make, draw up, or send in report. 4. Give report of conveying that one is well or badly impressed (~s *well of the prospects*; *is badly ~ed of*). Hence ~ABLE a., ~AGE n., (typical style of) ~ing events for the press, ~ER¹ n. [f. OF *reporter* f. L *reportare* bring], RE-9]

report², n. 1. Common talk, rumour, (there ~ *is not enough to go upon*; *this ~*

goes, it is said); way person or thing is spoken of, repute, (*things of good ~*; *faithful through good & evil ~*). 2. Account given or opinion formally expressed after investigation or consideration, description or epitome or reproduction of scene or speech or law case esp. for newspaper publication, || (~ *stage* in House of Commons, treatment of bill when committee has reported, see prec.). 3. Sound of explosion (*went off with a loud ~*). [OF (*reporter* see prec.)]

répos(e)¹ (-z), v.t. Place (trust etc.) in. Hence ~AL (-z) n. [f. L *reponere* posit-place], RE-4, w. assim. to *depose*, *fold*, etc.]

répos(e)² (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Rest (one-self or abs.); lay (one's head etc.) to rest (often on pillow etc.); give rest to, refresh with rest; lie, belying or laid, esp. in sleep or death (*in, on, or abs.*), be supported or based on (*the whole system ~s on fear*); (of memory etc.) dwell on. 2. n. Rest, cessation of activity or excitement, respite from toil, sleep, peaceful or quiescent state, stillness, tranquillity; restful effect, harmonious combination in art, composure or ease of manner, (esp. in *lacks ~*); hence ~FUL (-z) a., ~FULLY² adv. [f. F *reposer*] f. LL *reponere* PAUSE; RE-5]; meaning influenced by prec.]

répos'itory (-z), n. 1. Receptacle; place where things are stored or may be found, museum, warehouse, store, shop, (book, person, etc., *is a ~ of curious information*); burial-place. 2. Repository of confidences or secrets. [f. L *repositorium* (REPOSE¹, -ORY)]

repossess etc. See RE-9.

repost. See RIPOSTA.

reput. See RE-8.

repoussé (repou'sé), a. & n. (Ornamental metal work) hammered into relief from reverse side. [F, p.p. of *re(pousser)* PUSH¹], RE-3]

repp. See REP¹.

réppé (-pt), a. Having surface like rep. [-ED¹]

repréh'end', v.t. Rebuke, blame, find fault with. So ~EN'SIBLE a., ~EN'SIBLY² adv., ~EN'SION (-shn) n. [f. L *reprehendere* seize], RE-2]

repré'sent' (-z), v.t. 1. Call up by description or portrayal or imagination, figure, place likeness of before mind or senses, serve or be meant as likenesses of, (*can you ~ infinity to yourself?*; *can only ~ it to you by metaphors*; *picture ~s murder of Abel*; *is ~ed in hunting costume*). 2. Try to bring (facts influencing conduct) home (*to*), state by way of expatiation or incentive, (~ed *the rashness of it, that it could not succeed*). 3. Make out to be etc.; allege that, describe or depict as, (*can not what you ~ me to be or as*; in the corner *is the Pope ~ed as a deceiver*; ~s that he

has or himself to have seen service). 4. Act (play etc.), play part of on stage. 5. Symbolize, act as embodiment of, stand for, correspond to, be specimen of, (sovereign ~s majesty of State; inch of rain ~s 100 tons to acre; globe ~s totality; camels are ~ed in the New World by llamas; Welsh football is ~ed in the team by Morgan). 6. Fill place of, be substitute or deputy for, be entitled to speak for, be sent as member to House of Commons by, (King was ~ed by the Duke of Norfolk; members ~ing urban constituencies). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~ATION (-z) n. (proportional ~ation, electoral system so arranged that minorities are ~ed in proportion to their strength), ~ATIONAL (-shon-) a. [f. L *repraesentare* PRESENT¹], RE-8]

représén'tative (-z), a. & n. 1. Serving as portrayal or symbol of (a group ~ of the theological virtues); that presents or can present ideas to the mind (imagination is a ~ faculty); typical of a class or classes, containing typical specimens of all or many classes, (the truth of an allegory is ~, not literal; call a meeting of ~ men; a very ~ selection, collection); consisting of elected deputies or ~s (~ chamber, house, etc.), based on representation by such deputies (~ government, institutions); hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Sample, specimen, typical embodiment, analogue, of; person's agent, delegate, substitute, successor, or heir; deputy in ~ chamber (House of R-s, lower house of U.S. Congress). [f. med. L *repraesentativus* (REPRESENT, -ATIVE)]

représs, v.t. Check, restrain, put down, keep under, quell, suppress, prevent from sounding or bursting out or rioting. So **repré'ssion** (-shn) n. (esp., in Psych., of natural promptings), ~IVE a. [f. L *reprime* = *premere* PRESS²], RE-5]

repríevie¹, v.t., & n. 1. Suspend or delay execution of (condemned person); (fig.) give respite to. 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed; (warrant for) remission or commutation of capital sentence; respite. [n. f. vb, earlier *reprie*, -*pry*, in sense *remand*, first in p.p., prob. f. F *reprie* p.p. of *prendre* f. L *prehendere* take), RE-8; -v. unexplained]

rep'rimand (-ah-), n., & v.t. Official(ly) rebuke (for fault). [f. F *reprimand(e)* f. *reprimer* REPRESS]

reprint. See RE-8.

repris'al (-zl), n. 1. (hist.). Forcible seizure of foreign subjects' persons or property in retaliation (letters of ~, official warrant authorizing this). 2. Act of retaliation (usu. *make ~s* or ~). [f. OF *reprisable* as foll. + -AL(2)]

répriés¹ (w), n. 1. (Law) rent-charge or other payment to be made yearly out of

estate (beyond, besides, above, ~s, remaining after all ~s have been paid). 2. (rare). Resumption of action, one of the times devoted to something not done all at once. [F, fem. of *reprie* see REPRÍEVIE]

réproach¹, v.t., & n. 1. Upbraid, scold, (person, often with offence); rebuke (offence); (of look etc.) convey protest or censure to (his eyes ~ me); hence ~ingly¹ adv. (rare for ~fully). 2. n. Thing that brings disgrace or discredit (to; the state of the roads is a ~ to civilization), whence ~LESS a. (rare for irreproachable); opprobrium, disgraced or discredited state, (live in ~ & ignominy; the things that had brought ~ upon him; has taken away my ~); upbraiding, rebuke, censure, (abstain from ~; keep ~es on; the mule ~ in his eyes; term of ~, word implying censure), whence ~FUL a., ~fully¹ adv., ~fulness n.; (pl.) Good-Friday chiefly R.-C. set of antiphons & responses representing ~es of Christ to people. [f. F *reproche(r)* perh. ult. f. L *reprobare* REPROVE]

rep'robâte¹, v.t. Express or feel disapproval of, censure; (of God) cast off, exclude from salvation. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L *reprobare* approve), RE-7, -ATE¹]

rep'robate², a. & n. (Person) cast off by God, hardened in sin, of abandoned character, immoral. [as prec., -ATE²]

reproduce etc. See RE-8.

réproôf¹, n. Blame (a word, glance, of ~; spoke in ~ of idleness); a rebuke or expression of blame. [f. OF *reprove* (reprover REPROVE)]

réproôf², v.t. Render (coat etc.) waterproof again. [RE-9]

réprovie¹ (-ôv), v.t. Rebuke, chide, (person, rarely sin etc.). Hence ~ingly¹ (-ôv-) adv. [f. OF *reprover* f. L as REPROBATE¹]

reprovision. See RE-8.

reps. See REP¹.

rep'tant, a. (nat. hist.). Creeping. [f. L *reptare* frequent. of *repere* crawl, -ANT]

rep'tile, n. & a. 1. Crawling animal; member of the *Reptilia* or class of animals including snakes, lizards, crocodiles, turtles, & tortoises, whence **réptil'ian** (-lyan) a. & n., **réptilif'erous**, **réptil'iform**, aa.; mean grovelling person. 2. adj. (Of animals) creeping; mean & grovelling (the ~ press, subservient semi-official newspapers). [(n. f. *reptile* neut.) f. LL *reptilis* (*repere* rept- crawl, -IL)]

repúb'lic, n. A State in which the government is carried on nominally & usu. in fact also by the people or its elected representatives, commonwealth; (fig.) society of persons or animals with equality between members (the ~ of letters, literary men, literature). [f. L *respublica* (abi. *republica*) f. *res* concern, *PUBLICUS*]

repúb'lican, a. & n. 1. Of, constituted as,

characterizing, republic(s). 2. (Person) advocating or supporting ~ government. 3. (R~). *(Member) of U.-S. political party favouring liberal interpretation of constitution, extension of central power, & protective tariff, opp. DEMOCRAT(10). 4. (Of birds) social, living in large communities. Hence ~ISM(3) n., ~IZE(3) v.t. [-AN]

republish etc. See RE- 8.

répud'iate, v.t. & i. 1. Divorce (one's wife; esp. of the ancients or non-Christians). 2. Disown, disavow, reject, refuse dealings with, deny. 3. Refuse to recognize or obey (authority) or discharge (obligation, debt); (of State) ~ate public debt. Hence ~A'TION, ~ÄTOR², nn. [f. L *repudiare* (*repudium* divorce, f. RE-, *putare* be ashamed, -ATE³)]

repugn' (-ün), v.i. & t. (rare). Offer opposition; strive *against*; strive against; affect disagreeably, be repugnant to. [f. L *repugnare* fight) oppose, RE- 2]

repüg'nance, n. Inconsistency, incompatibility of ideas, statements, tempers, etc. (of, between, to, with); antipathy, dislike, aversion, (to, against). [f. L *repugnantia* (proc., -ANCE)]

repüg'nant, a. Contradictory (to), incompatible (with); (poet.) refractory, resisting; distasteful (to). [f. L as REPUGN + -ANT]

repüll'ül'äte, v.i. (rare). Sprout afresh, shoot out again; (of diseases) start again, recur. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. L *repullulare* PULLULATE], RE- 9, -ATE³]

repüls'e', v.t., & n. 1. Drive back, (attack, attacking enemy) by force of arms, (fig.) foil in controversy; rebuff (friendly advances or maker of them), refuse (request, offer, or maker of it). 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed, rebuff, (inflict, meet with, suffer, etc., ~e or usu. a ~e). [(n. f. L *repulsa* or *repulsus* -üs) f. REPELLERE]

repül'sion (-shn), n. 1. Repulsing (rare). 2. (Physics) tendency of bodies to repel each other or increase their mutual distance (opp. ATTRACTION; also fig.); capillary ~, tendency in some liquids (e.g. quicksilver in glass) to shrink from wall of capillary tubes so that upper surface is convex. 3. Dislike, aversion, repugnance. [f. LL *repulsio* (REPEL, -ION)]

repül'sive, a. 1. Offering resistance (poet.). 2. (Physics) exercising repulsion. 3. (Of behaviour etc.) repellent, cold, unsympathetic, (arch.). 4. Exciting aversion or loathing, loathsome, disgusting, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [REPULSIVE, -IVE]

repurchase, repurify. See RE- 9.

rep'utable, a. Of good repute, respectable. Hence ~LY² adv. [REPUTE n., -ABLE]

repüt'a'tion, n. What is generally said or believed about a person's or thing's character (*has not justified his ~*); state of

being well reported of, credit, distinction, respectability, good fame, (*persons of ~*; *has a ~ for integrity*); the credit or discredit of doing or of being (*has the ~ of racking his tenants, of being or of the best shot in England*). [f. L *reputatio* (REPUTE, -ATION)]

répüte', v.t., & n. 1. (Rare in active) consider or reckon, (pass.) be generally considered or reported of, (with compl., to be, or as; *is ~d the best doctor or to be or rarely as the best*); (pass.) be generally well, ill, etc., thought or spoken of; (p.p.) passing as but probably not being (*his ~d father, clemency, etc.*; || ~d pint etc., bottle of beer etc. sold as pint etc. but not guaranteed as imperial pint etc.); hence **répüt'édix²** adv. 2. n. Reputation. [f. L *reputare* think, RE- 6]

réquëst', n., & v.t. 1. Act of asking for something, petition made, thing asked for, (*came at his ~*; *shall make two ~s*; *you shall have your ~*; *make ~ for*; *by ~*, in response to expressed wish); state of being sought after, demand, (*is now in great, came into, ~*). 2. v.t. Seek permission to do; ask to be given or allowed or favoured with (~ *candid consideration, person's presence, etc.*); ask that; ask (person) to do. [f. OF *requesite(r)*, see RE- 6, QUEST]

requicken. See RE- 9.

réq'uiëm, n. Special mass for repose of souls of the dead; musical setting for ~; dirge. [initial L wd (=rest) of the mass]

réquies'clät, n. Wish for dead person's repose; ~ät, ~änt, in *pá'cé*, abbr. R.I.P., inscription = may he or she, they, rest in peace, used esp. on R.-C. tombs. [L, = may he rest]

réquie'e', v.t. & i. 1. Order (person), demand (of person), to do (*they ~ me or of me to appear*); demand or ask in words (person's action, act of person, thing at person's hands, that, etc.) exp. as of right (*they ~ my appearance, an oath of me, a gift at my hands, that I should appear*). 2. Lay down as imperative (*had done all that was ~d by the Act*). 3. Need, call for, depend for success etc. on, (*the emergency ~s it, that it should be done; irony ~s care in its use; land ~s 10 lb. of seed to the acre; place would ~ an army to take it; machine ~s no attention; it ~d all his authority to keep them in hand*). 4. (rare). || Be necessary (*do not tie it more tightly than ~s*). Hence ~MENT (-itm-) n. [f. L *requirere* -quisit- = *querere* seek, RE- 6]

réq'uisite (-z), a. & n. 1. Required by circumstances, necessary to success etc., called for; hence ~NESS (-zitm-) n. 2. n. Requirement, thing needed for accomplishment of some purpose (for). [f. L

réquisi'tion (-z), n., & v.t. 1. Requiring, demand made, esp. formal & usu. written demand that some duty should be

performed; order given to town etc. to furnish certain military etc. supplies; being called or put into service (*is under or in* ~, being used or applied; *put in, call into* ~, have recourse to). 2. v.t. Demand use or supply of esp. for military purposes; demand such supplies etc. from (town etc.); press into service, call in for some purpose. [f. L *requisitio* (REQUIRE, -ION)]
requit[e], v.t. Make return for, reward or avenge, (service, wrong, injury, treatment; often *with*); make return to, repay with good or evil, (person; often for treatment received, *with* treatment given); give in return (~e like for like). Hence ~AT(2) n. [RE-1, *quite* var. of *quit*]
re-read. See RE-8.

re-re-dōs (rēd-), n. Ornamental screen covering wall at back of altar. [earlier *arcedos* (REAR¹, F *dos* back f. L *dorsum*)]

rēs (-z), n. (L). Thing (~ *judicā'ta* (jōb-), =CHOSE JUGG); property (~ *angūs'ta* (-ngg-) *domi'*, poverty).

resaddle, resale etc. See RE-9.

rescind, v.t. Abrogate, annul, revoke, cancel. So **rescission** (-zhn) n. [f. L *rescindere* scias- cut], RE-5]

rescript, n. 1. Roman emperor's written reply to appeal for guidance esp. from magistrate on legal point; Pope's decretal epistle in reply to question, any papal decision. 2. Ruler's or government's or official edict or announcement. 3. Thing rewritten, rewriting; palimpsest. [f. L p.p. neut. of *rescribere* script-write], RE-1]

rescūe, v.t., & n. 1. Deliver from or from attack, custody, danger, or harm; (Law) unlawfully liberate (person), forcibly recover (property); hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed, succour, deliverance, illegal liberation, forcible recovery; ~e (*bid*), a bid at bridge made to get one's partner out of a difficult situation. [f. OF *rescoure* (L RE-, *EX*cūtere = *qualere* shake)]
research (-sēr-), n., & v.i. 1. Careful search or inquiry *after* or *for*; (usu. pl.) endeavour to discover facts by scientific study of a subject, course of critical investigation, (*his* ~es *have been fruitful; is engaged in* ~). 2. v.i. Make ~es; hence ~ER¹ n. [f. obs. F *recherche(r)*, now *rechercher*, see RE-6, SEARCH]
rescat. See RE-8.

resect, v.t. (surg.). Pare down (bone, cartilage, etc.). So **resECTION** n. [f. L *re*(*secare* sect- cut), RE-5]

resēda, n. 1. Genus of plants including *mignonette* & Dyer's weed. 2. (usu. *resēda* F, pr. *razādah*). Pale green colour as of *mignonette*. [L, perh. imperat. of *resedere* quiet] alloy, RE-5, used as first wd. of charm in applying plant to tumours]
resell, see RE-8; **rescize** etc., **resell**, RE-8.

resēm'ble (-z), v.t. Be like, have similarity to or feature(s) in common with or same appearance as, & so ~ANCE (*to, between, of* n., ~ANT (*to*) a. (rare); (arch.) liken *to*. [f. OF *resembler* f. L *simulare, simulare*, f. *similis* SIMILAR], RE-1]

résent' (-z), v.t. Show or feel indignation at or retain feelings about (insult or injury sustained). Hence ~FUL (perh. through obs. *resent* ~ment] a., ~FULLY² adv., ~MENT n. [f. F *ressentir* (RE-1, L *sentire* feel)]

réservā'tion (-z), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (Ecol.) right reserved to Pope of nomination to vacant benefice, power of absolution reserved to superior, practice of retaining for some purpose a portion of the Eucharistic elements (esp. the bread) after celebration; (Law) right or interest retained in estate being conveyed, clause reserving it; *tract of land reserved esp. for exclusive occupation by native tribe; express or tacit limitation or exception made about something (*mental* ~, qualification tacitly added in making statement, oath, etc.); *booking (of berth on steamer, room in hotel, seat in train, etc.). [f. LL *reservatio* (foll., -ATION)]

réserv[e]¹ (-z), v.t. 1. Postpone use or enjoyment or treatment of, hold over, keep back for later occasion, (~e oneself *for*, not put forth one's energies till). 2. Secure or retain possession or control of esp. by legal or formal stipulation (*for* or *to* oneself or another; ~ed *seals* at entertainment etc., that may be booked; || ~ed *list*, of naval officers removed from active service but liable to be called out); (pass.) be left by fate *for*, fall first or only *to*. 3. Set apart, destine, for some use or fate. 4. (p.p. as adj.). Reticent, slow to reveal emotions or opinions, uncommunicative, whence ~EDLY² (-z) adv. [f. OF *reserver* f. L *re*(*servare* keep), RE-3]

réserv[e]² (-z), n. 1. Something reserved for future use, extra stock or amount, (*banker's* ~, amount kept on hand to meet probable demands; *has a great* ~ of *energy*; often attrib., as *his* ~ *strength*). 2. (Mil., sing. or pl.) troops withheld from action to reinforce or cover retreat, forces outside regular army & navy & air force liable to be called out in emergencies, member of such forces (also **réserv'ist** (-z) n.); (in games) extra player chosen in case substitute should be needed. 3. Being kept unused but available (*has it in* ~). 4. Place reserved for some special use. 5. (At exhibitions) distinction conveying that exhibit will have prize if another is disqualified. 6. Limitation, exception, restriction, or qualification, attached to something (*I accept your statement without* ~, fully; *sale* or *auction*

without ~, not subject to a fixed price's being reached; ~ price, than which less will not be accepted; *we publish this with all ~, all proper ~s*, without endorsing it).

7. Self-restraint, abstinence from exaggeration or ill-proportioned effects, in artistic or literary expression; reticence, avoidance of plain speaking, coolness of manner, lack of cordiality; intentional suppression of truth. [f. F *réserve* (réserver, OF *reserver* RESERVE¹)]

réservoir (-zervvâr), n., & v.t. 1. Receptacle constructed usu. of earthwork or masonry in which large quantity of water is stored. 2. Any natural or artificial receptacle esp. for or of fluid, place where fluid etc. collects; part of machine or organ of body holding fluid (~ pen, containing its own supply of ink); reserve supply or collection of something e.g. knowledge or facts, etc. 3. v.t. Store in ~. [f. F *réservoir* (LL *reservolium*, cf. COUNTER¹, PARLOUR) f. *réserver* see prec., -ORY(2)]

résèr', v.t. & i. (-tt-; arch.). Receive (stolen goods); receive stolen goods. So ~^{ER} n. [f. OF *reçetier* f. L *receptare* frequent. of *recipere* RECEIVE]

reset, resettle etc., reshape, see RE- 8; reshup etc., RE- 9; reshuffle, RE- 8.

reside (-z-), v.i. (Of persons) have one's home, dwell permanently, *at, in, abroad*, etc.; (of officials) be in residence; (of power, rights, etc.) rest or be vested in person etc.; (of qualities) be present or inherent in. [f. L *residere* = *sedere* sit), RE- 3]

residence (-z-), n. 1. Residing (*have, take up*, one's ~, dwell, begin to dwell; *honoured the place with her ~*; ~ is required, official etc. must live on the spot for certain periods or altogether; so *in ~*). 2. Place where one resides, abode of; house esp. of considerable pretension, mansion, (*desirable family ~ for sale*). [f. F *résidence* f. L *residentialia* (prec., -ENCE)]

residency (-z-), n. Official residence of Governor-general's representative at Indian native court. [as prec., -ENCY]

resident (-z-), a. & n. 1. Residing (*whether ~ at home or abroad; the ~ population*); (of birds etc.) non-migratory; bound to residence, having quarters on the spot, (~ *surgeon, tutor, political agent*); inherent, located, *in (a right ~ in the nation; powers of sensation ~ in the nerves)*. 2. n. Permanent inhabitant of town or neighbourhood (opp. *visitor*); Indian Governor-general's political agent residing at native court, British government agent in other semi-dependent State, whence ~SHIP n. [f. L (RESIDE, -ENT)]

residential (-z-, -ahl), a. Suitable for or occupied by private houses (~ *estate, street, quarter*); connected with residence (*the ~ qualification for voters*). [RESIDE, -AL]

residentially (-z-, -sho-), n. & a. 1. Ho-

leistic bound to residence. 2. adj. Bound to, requiring, of or for, official residence (usu. after n.; *Canon, Canonry, ~; at his ~ house*). [f. med. L *residentialis* (RESIDE, -ARY¹)]

résid'ual (-z-), a. & n. 1. (Math.) resulting from subtraction (n., ~ quantity). 2. Remaining, left over, left as residuum, (n., remainder, substance of the nature of a residuum). 3. (Of error in calculations) still unaccounted for or not eliminated. [RESIDUUM, -AL]

résid'uary (-z-), a. Of the residue of an estate (~ *bequest, clause, legatee*, etc.); of, being, a residuum, residual, still remaining, (*mere ~ substances; the ~ aberration; some ~ odds & ends*). [RESIDUUM, -ARY¹]

rés'idûe (-z-), n. Remainder, rest, what is left or remains over; what remains of estate after payment of charges, debts, & bequests; (Chem. etc.) residuum. [f. F *residu* RESIDUUM]

résid'uum (-z-), n. (pl. -dua). What remains, esp. (Chem. etc.) substance left after combustion or evaporation, (in calculations) amount not accounted for or residual error; lowest stratum or dregs of population. [L, neut. of *residuus* remaining (RESIDE)]

resign¹ (-zin), v.t. & i. 1. Relinquish, surrender, give up, hand over, (office, right, claim, property, charge, task, life, hope; often to person, *into person's hands* etc.; ~ oneself to another's guidance, to sleep, rest, meditation, etc.). 2. Reconcile oneself, one's mind, etc. (*to one's fate* etc., *to doing*, or abs. = accept the inevitable without repining), whence ~^{ED} (-zind') a., ~^{EDLY} (-zin-) adv. 3. Give up office, retire. [f. OF *resigner* f. L *resignare* seal) unseal, cancel, RE- 7]

resign' (-sin), v.t. & i. Sign again. [RE- 8]

resign'ation (-z-), n. In vbl senses (RESIGN¹); esp.: resigning of an office, document conveying it (*give, send in*, one's ~); being resigned, uncomplaining endurance of sorrow or other evil. [f. F *résignation* (RESIGN¹, -ATION)]

resile' (-z-), v.i. (Of elastic bodies) recoil, rebound, resume shape & size after stretching or compression; have or show elasticity or buoyancy or recuperative power. Hence **resil'ience**, **resil'ency**, nn., **resil'ient** a., (-zilyen-). [f. L *resilire* = *salire* jump), RE- 9]

rés'in (-z-), n., & v.t. 1. Adhesive substance insoluble in water (cf. GUM²) secreted by most plants & exuding naturally or upon incision esp. from fir & pine; kinds of similar substance got by chemical process. 2. v.t. Rub or treat with ~. Hence ~^{IFEROUS}, ~^{IFEROSE}, ~^{OUS}, ~^{OID} a. & n., ~^{IFY} v.t. & i., ~^{IFICATION} n., ~^{IC} comb. form. [f. F *résine* f. L *resina* cogn. w. GK *rhétina*]

résipis'cence, n. Recognition of error, return to good sense. So ~^{ENT} a. [f. L

(-ntia) f. *respicere* f. *sapere* see **SAPIENT**, **RE-9**

résist' (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Stop course of, successfully oppose, keep off or out, prevent from penetrating, repel, be proof against or unaffected or uninjured by, abstain from, (projectile, weapon, edge, frost, heat, moisture, attack, temptation, power, influence, influence, suggestion, etc.; *who can ~ God's will?*; *cannot ~ a joke*, must make it if it suggests itself, or must be amused by it), whence **~IBLE** a., **~LESS** a. (poet.), **~LESSLY** adv. 2. Strive against, oppose, try to impede, refuse to comply with. 3. Offer resistance, make opposition, whence or cogn. **~ANT**, **~ENT**, **~IVE**, aa., **~ER** n. (|| *passive* ~er, person refusing on grounds of justice to pay education rate imposed by Act in 1902). 4. n. Composition applied to surfaces for protection from some agent employed on them, esp. to parts of calico that are not to take dye. [f. *L. resistere* redupl. of *stare* stand, **RE-2**]

résis'tance (-z), n. 1. (Power of) resisting (*passive* ~, refusal to comply; *something with greater ~ for its weight than steel*); **~movement** (esp. of unconquered people in a conquered country). 2. Hindrance, impeding or stopping effect, exercised by material thing upon another (*overcome the ~ of the air*; *~ of fluids varies with their specific gravity*; *line of ~, direction in which it acts*; *take line of least ~, fig., adopt easiest method or course*). 3. (Electr., Magnet., Heat) non-conductivity; (Electr.) part of apparatus used to offer definite ~ to current. [f. *F. résistance* (prec., -ANCE)]

resistibility (-z), n. Being resistible; power of offering resistance. [**RESISTIBLE**, -BLITY]

resole. See **RE-8**.

rés'oluble (-zolôb-, -lû-), a. That can be resolved, (usu.) analysable into, resolvable. [f. *LL. resolutibilis* (RESOLVE, & see SOLUBLE)]

rés'olue (-zolôot-, -û-), a. (Of person or his temper or action) determined, decided, bold, not vacillating, unshrinking, firm of purpose. Hence **~LY** adv. [f. *L. p.p.*, see **RESOLVE**]

résolu'tion (-zolôo-, -lû-), n. 1. Separation into components, decomposition, analysis, conversion *into* other form; (Med.) disappearance of inflammation without suppuration; (Pros.) substitution of two short syllables for one long; (Mus.) making of discord to pass into concord; (Mech.) replacing of single force by two or more jointly equivalent. 2. Solving of doubt, problem, question, etc. 3. Formal expression of opinion by legislative body (of **MOTION**) or public meeting, form proposed for this. 4. Resolve, thing resolved on, (*good* ~s, intentions that one formu-

lates mentally for virtuous conduct). 5. Determined temper or character, boldness & firmness of purpose. [f. *L. resolutio* (RESOLVE, -ION)]

rés'olutive (-zolôo-, -lû-), a. & n. 1. Having dissolving power, disintegrating, (chiefly med.); (n.) ~ application or drug. 2. (Law) ~ condition, whose fulfilment terminates contract etc. [prec., -IVE]

résolve' (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Dissolve (t. & i.; *into*), disintegrate, analyse, break up into parts, dissipate, convert or be converted *into*, reduce by mental analysis *into*, (*used vinegar to ~ the rocks*; *blood first coagulates & then ~s*; *~ thing, thing is ~d or ~s itself or ~s, into its elements*; *telescope ~s nebula into stars*; *inflammation, tumour, is ~d or ~s, passes away without suppuration*; *House ~s itself into a committee*; *night ~ Christianity into a system of morality*); (Mus.) convert (discord) or be converted into concord. 2. Solve, explain, clear up, settle, (*all doubts were ~d*; *~ me this*, arch., answer this question; *the problem of its origin has not yet been ~d*). 3. Decide upon, make up one's mind upon action or doing or *to do*, form mentally or (of legislative body or public meeting) pass by vote the resolution *that*, (of circumstances etc.) bring (person) to resolution to do or upon action or doing, (*he ~d upon or rarely ~d amendment*; *~d that nothing should induce him, that he would do, upon doing*; *the House began by resolving that . . .*; *this discovery ~d us on going or to go*; p.p. used in minutes of meeting, = the following resolution was passed, namely *that*; p.p. as adj., resolute, whence **résol'vab-ly** (-z-) adv.); hence **résol'vABLE** (-z-) a. 4. n. Resolution come to in the mind (*& she kept her ~*); (poet.) resolution, steadfastness, (a mind, *decids, of high ~*). [f. *L. resolvere* solut- SOLVE, **RE-5**]

résol'vent (-z), a. & n. (chiefly med. & chem.). (Drug, application, substance) effecting resolution of tumour etc. or division into component parts. [prec., -ENT]

rés'on[ant] (-z), a. (Of sound) echoing, resounding, continuing to sound, reinforced or prolonged by vibration or reflexion; (of bodies, rooms, etc.) tending to reinforce or prolong sounds esp. by vibration; (of places) resounding *with*. Hence or cogn. **~ANCE** n., **~ANTLY** adv. [f. *L. resonare* sound, **RE-6**, -ANT]

rés'on[ator] (-z), n. Instrument responding to single note & used for detecting it in combinations; appliance for giving resonance to sounds. [as prec., -OR]

résorb', v.t. Absorb again. Hence **~ENCE** n., **~ENT** a. [f. *L. resorbere* sorpt- ABSORB, **RE-9**]

rĕsôr'cin (-z-), n. Compound got by action of potash on resin used chiefly as dye-stuff. [RESIN, ORCIN]

rĕsôr'ption, n. Resorbing or being resorbed. [RESORB, -ION]

rĕsôr't¹ (-z-), v.i. 1. Turn for aid to (~ to force, experiment, etc., or rarely concrete object or person). 2. (to in numbers or often to visitors ~ed to him, to the shrine, by the hundred; watched the inn to which he was known to ~). [f. OF *re(s)ortir* come out, etym. dub.]. RE- 8]

rĕsôr't² (-z-), n. 1. Thing to which recourse is had, what is turned to for aid, expedient, (a carriage, repetition of the experiment, was the only ~). 2. Recourse (cannot be done without ~ to compulsion; in the last ~, when all else has failed, as final attempt). 3. Frequenting or being frequented (encouraged the ~ of scholars; a place of great ~). 4. Place frequented usu. for specified purpose or quality (health, holiday, ~; mountain, seaside, ~). [OF (prec.).]

re-sôr't³, v.t. Sort again. [RE- 8]

rĕsôund' (-z-), v.i. & t. 1. (Of place) ring or echo (with); (of voice, instrument, sound, etc.) produce echoes, go on sounding, fill place with sound. 2. (Of fame, event, etc.) be much talked of, produce sensation, (often through Europe etc.). 3. Repeat loudly (usu. the praises etc. of); (of place) give back (sound). Hence ~ingly² adv. [RE- 9, SOUND, after L as RESONANT]

rĕssource' (-sôr-s), n. 1. (Usu. in pl.) means of supplying a want, stock that can be drawn on; (pl.) country's collective means for support & defence. 2. (after French; now rare). Possibility of aid (lost without ~). 3. Expedient, device, shift, (flight was his only ~; am at the end of my ~s). 4. Leisure occupation (reading is a great ~; a man of no ~s). 5. Skill in devising expedients, practical ingenuity, quick wit, (is full of ~). Hence ~FUL (-fŭl-), ~LESS (-fĕl-), aa., ~fulness, ~lessness, nn., ~fully² adv. [f. F *ressource* f. OF *re(s)sourdre* f. RE- 9, L *surgere* rise]

rĕspĕct'¹, n. 1. Reference, relation, (to; the terms have ~ to position alone; is true with ~ to the French; with ~ to possible routes, there are three; ablative, accusative, of ~ in Lat. Gram., those translatable by with ~ or as to). 2. Heed or regard to or of, attention to, (have not had or paid ~ to anything but colour; did it quite without ~ to the results; ~ of persons, partiality or favour shown esp. to the powerful). 3. Particular, detail, point, aspect, (of; is admirable in ~ of style; in all, many, some, ~s; in one, this, ~). 4. (arch.). Consideration that (is out of the question, in ~ that it nullifies the whole plan). 5. Deferential esteem felt or shown towards person or quality (has won the ~ of all; have the greatest ~ for him; is held in ~; SELF-~).

6. pl. (With my, his, etc.) polite messages or attentions (give him my, sends his, ~s; went to pay his ~s to). [f. L *respectus* -ūs (*respicere* see foll.)]

rĕspĕct'², v.t. 1. Pay heed to (arch.; ~ persons, discriminate unfairly between them under influence of wealth etc., whence ~ER¹ n. of persons). 2. Relate to, be concerned with, (now rare exc. in part., as legislation ~ing property, also used as prep., as am at a loss ~ing his whereabouts). 3. Regard with deference; avoid degrading or insulting or injuring or interfering with or interrupting, treat with consideration, spare, (~ oneself, refrain from unworthy conduct or thoughts, have self-respect; ~ innocence or the innocent, refrain from offending or corrupting or tempting; ~ed my silence, let me remain silent; ~ privileges, property, neutral territory, etc.). [f. L *respicere* spect- = *specere* look at, RE- 6]

rĕspĕctabil'ity, n. Being, those who are, a person who is, socially respectable. [foll., -BILITY]

rĕspĕc'table, a. & n. 1. Deserving respect (did it from ~ motives). 2. Not inconsiderable in amount etc., of some merit or importance, fairly good or many or much, tolerable, passable, (a ~ hill, antiquity, painter, minority; ~ talents). 3. Of fair social standing, having the qualities necessary for such standing, not disreputable, honest & decent in conduct; (of pursuits, clothes, etc.) befitting ~ persons; hence **rĕspĕc'tably**² adv. 4. n. A ~ person (usu. in pl.). [-ABLE]

rĕspĕct'ful, a. Showing deference (~ behaviour; stood at a ~ distance). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

rĕspĕct'ive, a. Each's own, proper to each, individual, several, comparative, (go to your, put them in their, ~ places; were given places according to their ~ rank or ranks; A & B contributed the ~ sums of 4d. & 3d.; the election depends on the ~ popularity of the candidates). Hence ~LY² (-vĭ-) adv. [f. LL *respectivus* (RESPECT², -IVE)]

respell. See RE- 8.

rĕs'pirable (or *respĭr'ā*), a. (Of air, gas, etc.) that can, fit to, be breathed. [f. LL *respirabilis* (RESPIRE, -ABLE)]

rĕspirā'tion, n. Breathing; single inspiration & expiration; plant's absorption of oxygen & emission of carbon dioxide. [f. L *respiratio* (RESPIRE, -ATION)]

rĕs'pirātor, n. Apparatus of gauze etc. worn over mouth (& nose) to warm or filter inhaled air; (Mil.) kinds of chemical filtering-apparatus worn for defence against poison-gas. [f. L as foll. + -OR²]

rĕspĭr'e, v.i. & t. Breathe, inhale & exhale, air, whence **rĕs'pirātōry** (or *respĭr'at-*) a.; breathe (air etc.); (rare) exhale (perfume, amiability, etc.); breathe again, take breath, recover hope or spirit,

get rest or respite. [f. L *re(spirare)* breathe], RE- 9]

respîte, n., & v.t. 1. Delay permitted in the discharge of an obligation or suffering of a penalty; interval of rest or relief. 2. v.t. Grant ~ to, relieve, (condemned person); postpone execution or exaction of (sentence, obligation); give temporary relief from (pain, care) or to (sufferer); (Mil., formerly) withhold (pay), withhold pay from. [f. OF *respit* f. L *RESPECTUS*] **respîen'djant**, a. Brilliant, dazzlingly or gloriously bright. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ently¹ adv. [f. L *resplendēre* glitter], RE- 6, -ENT]

respônd'î, v.i. 1. Make answer (esp. of congregation making set answers to priest etc.); perform answering or corresponding action (~ed with a drop-kick, left-hander, etc.). 2. Show sensitiveness to by behaviour or change (does not ~ to kindness; nerve ~s to stimulus, string to note, etc.). 3. (rare). Correspond, be analogous, whence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn. [f. L *respondēre* sponso- pledge] answer, RE- 1]

respônd'îs, n. 1. (Eccl.) = RESPONSORY, also response to versicle. 2. (Archit.) half-pillar or half-pier attached to wall to support arch. [OF (*respondre* answer, as prec.)]

respôn'dent, a. & n. 1. Making answer; responsive to; in position of defendant. 2. n. One who makes answer, defends thesis, etc.; defendant esp. in divorce case. [as RESPOND'î, -ENT]

respônsê', n. Answer given in word or act, reply, retort, (in ~ to; made no ~; the ~s of the oracles; his ~ was the proclamation of martial law); feeling, movement, etc., elicited by stimulus or influence (called forth no ~ in his breast); (Eccl.) = RESPONSORY, also any part of liturgy said or sung in answer to priest. [f. L *responsum* neut. p.p. (RESPOND'î)]

respôn'sibil'itî, n. Being responsible (declines all ~y for it; will take the ~y of doing it; did it on his own ~y, without authorization; is not afraid of ~y, of having to act without detailed guidance); charge for which one is responsible (a family is a great ~y; asked to be relieved of his ~y or ~ies). [foll., -BLITY]

respôn'sible, a. Liable to be called to account, answerable (to person, for thing, or abs.; ~le ruler, government, not autocratic), morally accountable for actions, capable of rational conduct; of good credit or position or repute, respectable, apparently trustworthy; involving responsibility (a ~le office). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [obs. F (L *RESPOND'êre*, -IBIL)]

|| **respôn'sions** (-shnz), n. pl. First of three examinations for Oxford B.A. degree (also *smalls* colloq.; cf. *moderations*,

greats, *final schools*). [f. L *responsio* (RESPOND'î, -ION)]

respôn'sive, a. Answering, by way of answer, (of liturgy etc.) using responses; responding readily to or to some influence, impressionable, sympathetic. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *responsivus* (RESPOND'î, -IVE)]

respôn'sorî, n. Anthem said or sung by soloist & choir after lesson. [f. IJL *responsoria* neut. pl. (RESPOND'î, -ORY)]

ressaldâr', n. Native captain in Indian cavalry regiment. [f. Hind. *risaladar* (*risalah* squadron f. Arab. *arsala* he sent, *dar* having)]

rêst'î, v.i. & t. 1. Be still, cease or abstain or be relieved from exertion or action or movement or employment, lie in sleep or death, be tranquil, be let alone, (waves that never ~; ~ (up)on one's oars, temporarily cease rowing or any exertion; never let your enemy ~; let us ~ here, cease walking etc.; ~ from one's labours; ~s in the churchyard, lies buried; let her ~ in peace; is too feverish to ~; could not ~ under an imputation, till he got his wish; land was allowed to ~, left fallow; the matter cannot ~ here, must be further examined etc.); give relief or repose to (stayed a day to ~ myself; ~ your men for an hour; says the goggles ~ his eyes; must ~ the ground; ~ or God ~ his soul, may God give it repose); (p.p.) refreshed or reinvigorated by ~ing (are you quite ~ed?). 2. Lie, be spread out, be supported or based, depend, rely, (of eyes etc.) alight or be steadily directed, (up)on (shadow, light, ~s on his face; roof ~s on four arches; their left ~ed on the river; hand ~ing on the table; science ~s on phenomena; I ~ upon your promise; his gaze ~ed on a strange object); be propped against; repose trust in (be content to ~ in God); place for support or foundation (up)on (~ one's elbow, load, on the table; ~ one's case on equity, unimpeachable evidence). 3. ~ing-place, provided or used for ~ing (last ~ing-place, the grave). [OE *ræstan*, cf. G *rasten*, Du. *rusten*]

rêst'î, n. 1. Repose or sleep esp. in bed at night (go, retire, to ~; take ~ or one's ~). 2. Abstinence or freedom from or absence of exertion or activity or movement or care or molestation, a period of such abstinence etc., (day of ~, Sunday; a ~ from work etc.; give person, horse, machine, etc., a ~; take a short ~; at ~, still, not agitated or troubled, often of the dead; set question, person's mind, at ~, settle, relieve; lay to ~, bury). 3. Lodging-place or shelter provided for sailors, cabmen, or other class. 4. Prop or support or steadying-piece, e.g. for gun in aiming, billiard-cue, cutting-tool in lathe, or foot on bicycle. 5. (Mus.) appointed interval

of silence or sign denoting it; pause in elocution, caesura in verse. 6. *~balk*, ridge left unploughed between furrows; *~cure*, *~usu.* of some weeks in bed as medical treatment; *~day*, day spent in *~*, (rare) Sunday; *~house*, dawk-bungalow. [OE *ræst*, cf. G *rast*, Du. *rust*]

rest¹, v.i. Remain over (arch.; *whatever ~s of hope*); *~ with*, be left in the hands or charge of (*it ~s with you to propose terms*; *the management of affairs ~ed with Wolsey*); remain in specified state (*the affair ~s a mystery*; *~ assured, satisfied*, etc.); also arch. in epistolary forms, as *I ~ your devoted friend*). [f. *l'* *rester* f. L *re(stare stand)*, RE-3]

rest², n. 1. The remaining part(s) or individuals of, the remainder of some quantity or number, the others, (*& the or all the ~ of it*, & all else that might be mentioned; *for the ~*, as regards anything beyond what has been specially mentioned). 2. || (Banking) reserve fund; (Commerc.) stocktaking & balancing; (Tonnage etc.) spell of continuous returns. [f. F *reste* (prec.)]

rest³, n. (hist.). Check holding butt of medieval tilter's spear when couched for charging (*with, lay or set one's, lance in ~*). [for ARREST¹, & see REST²]

restamp, restart, restate etc. See RE-8. **rés¹taurant** (-tor-, & see Ap.), n. Place where meals or refreshments may be had. [F (*restaurer* RESTORE, -ANT)]

restaurateur (*rés¹torat¹*), n. Restaurant-keeper. [F]

rest⁴ful, a. Favourable to repose, free from disturbing influences, soothing. Hence *~LY²* adv., *~NESS* n. [-FUL]

rest⁵harrow (-0), n. A tough-rooted shrub, cammock. [obs. *rest* v. as REST², HARROW¹]

|| **restiff**. See RESTIVE.

rés¹titude, v.t. & i. (rare). Make restitution (of). [f. L *re(stituere -tut = statuere set up)*, RE-8]

rés¹tution, n. Restoring of or of thing to proper owner, reparation for injury, (esp. *make ~*; *~ of conjugal rights*, name of a matrimonial lawsuit); restoring of thing to its original state (esp. Theol. *the ~ of all things*); resumption of original shape or position by elasticity. [f. L *restitutio* (prec., -ION)]

rest²ive, || **rés¹tiff** (arch.), a. (Of horse) refusing to advance, stubbornly standing still or moving backwards or sideways, jibbing, refractory; (of person) unmanageable, rejecting control; (cron.) restless. Hence **rés²tively²** (-vi-) adv., **rés²tiveness** (-vn-) n. [earlier sense *inert*; orig. form -iff, f. OF *restif* (REST², -IVE)]

rest³less, a. Finding or affording no rest, uneasy, agitated, never still, ever in motion, unpausing, fidgeting. Hence *~LY²* adv., *~NESS* n. [REST², -LESS]

restock. See RE-8.

restorá'tion, n. In senses of RESTORE; also or esp.: (period of) re-establishment of monarchy in 1660 (*the R~*); model or drawing representing supposed original form of extinct animal, ruined building, etc. [earlier *restauration* f. L *restauratio* (RESTORE, -ION) w. assim. to *restore*]

restorá'tionism (-shon-), n. Doctrine that all men will ultimately be restored to happiness in the future life. So *~IST*(2) n. [-ISM]

restó'rative, a. & n. 1. Tending to restore health or strength. 2. n. *~* food, medicine, or agency. Hence *~LY²* adv. [f. OF *restauratif -ive* (foll., -IVE)]

restör'e, v.t. 1. Give back, make restitution of. 2. (Attempt to) bring back to original state by rebuilding, repairing, repainting, emending, etc. (*church, picture, text, has been ~ed, spoilt in ~ing, ~ed out of all recognition*, etc.); make representation of supposed original state of (extinct animal, ruin, etc.). 3. Reinstate, bring back to dignity or right; bring back to or to health etc., cure (person). 4. Re-establish, renew, bring back into use. 5. Reinsert by conjecture (missing words in text, parts of extinct animal, etc.). 6. Replace, put back, bring to former place or condition. Hence *~ABLE* a., *~ER¹* n. [f. OF *restorer* f. L *re(staurare* cf. Gk *stauros stake*), RE-9]

restrain¹, v.t. Check or hold in *from*, keep in check or under control or within bounds, repress, keep down; confine, imprison. Hence *~ABLE* a., *~edly²* adv. (esp., with self-restraint). [f. OF *restrai(g)n*-st. of *restrindre* f. L *re(stringere strict- tie)*, RE-2]

re-strain², v.t. Strain again. [RE-8]

restraint¹, n. Restraining or being restrained, stoppage, check, controlling agency or influence, confinement esp. in asylum, (*without ~*, freely, copiously; *is under ~*, esp. as lunatic); constraint or reserve of manner; self-control, avoidance of excess or exaggeration, austerity of literary expression; *~ of princes, embargo*. [f. OF *restrainte* (RESTRAIN¹)]

restric¹t, v.t. Confine, bound, limit, (*to, within*; *has a very ~ed application*; *am ~ed to advising*; *is ~ed within narrow limits*). Hence or cogn. **restric¹tion** n., **restric¹tive** a., *~edly²*, **restric¹tively²**, advv. [f. L, see RESTRAIN¹]

restuff. See RE-9.

rés¹ult (-z-), v.i. & n. 1. Arise as actual or follow as logical consequence (*from conditions, causes, premisses, etc.*, or *abs.*); have issue or end in specified manner esp. in failure etc. (*~ed badly, in a large profit*). 2. n. Consequence, issue, or outcome of something (*without ~*, in vain, fruitless), whence *~FUL*, *~LESS*, aa.; quantity, formula, etc., given by calculation. [n. f. vb, f. L *re(sultare = saltare frequent. of salire jump)*, RE-9]

résul'tant (-z), a. & n. 1. Resulting, esp. as total outcome of more or less opposed forces. 2. n. Composite effect of two or more forces acting in different directions at same point (esp. in Mech., also transf.). [proc., -ANT]

résume' (-z), v.t. & i. 1. Get or take again or back, recover, recoupy. (~ one's *spirits*, *sway*, *liberty*, *seat*; ~ *gift*, *grant*, *territory*). 2. Begin again (upon), go on (with) after interruption, begin to speak or work again, recommence t. & i., (*the House ~d work or its labours*, or ~d; ~ *thread of one's discourse*; ~ *pipe*, go on smoking again; 'No, it is hopeless' he ~d). 3. Make *résumé* of, recapitulate, summarize. [f. L *re(sumere sumpt-)* take], RE-8]

résumé (râz'ûmâ, & see Ap.), n. Summary, epitome, abstract. [F, p.p. of *résumer* RESUME]

resummons. See RE-8.

résump'tion (-z), n. Resuming. So ~IVE a., ~ively² adv. [f. L *resumptio* (RESUME, -ION)]

résup'in'ate, a. (bot.). (Of leaf etc.) inverted, bottom up. Hence ~'ATION n. [f. L *resupinare* make SUPINE], RE-9]

résurge', v.i. (rare exc. joc.). Experience resurrection, revive, rise or arise again. So (in ordinary use) **résur'gent**(1) n. & a., **résur'gence** n. [f. L *resurgere* resurrect f. SUR-¹, *regere* direct], RE-9]

résurrect' (-z), v.t. (colloq.). Raise from the dead (rare); revive practice or memory of; take from grave, exhum. [back form. f. foll.]

résurrect'ion (-z), n. 1. (R~). (Festival in memory of) rising of Christ from the grave; rising again of men at the last day. 2. Exhumation lit. or fig., resurrecting (~ *man*, BODY-snatcher), whence ~IST(1) (-sho-) n. 3. Revival from disuse or inactivity or decay, restoration to vogue or memory, (|| ~ *pie*, made from remains of previous meals.) Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. LL *resurrectio* (RESURGE, -ION)]

resurvey. See RE-8.

résus'cit'ate, v.t. & i. Revive, return or usu. restore to life, consciousness, vogue, vigour, or vividness. Hence or cogn. ~'ATION, ~'ATOR²(1, 2), nn., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *resuscitare* CITE], RE-9, -ATE³]

rét, râte, raif, v.t. & i. Soften (flax, hemp) by soaking or exposing to moisture; (of hay etc., in pass. or intr.) be spoilt by wet, rot. [cf. Du. *reten*, *roten*, Sw. *rôta*; cogn. w. RO²]

rétâ'ble, n. Shelf, or frame enclosing decorated panels, above back of altar. [f. F *retable* (RE-, TABLE), cf. med. L *retroaltarium*]

rétail', n. Sale of goods in small quantities (esp. by ~, or attrib., as ~ *trading*, *dealer*; also adv., esp. in conjunction w. *wholesale*, as *do you buy wholesale or ~?*).

[OF, = piece cut off f. *re(taillier out, see TAILOR)*, RE-5]

rétail'², v.t. & i. 1. Sell (goods) by retail; (of goods) be ~ed (esp. *at* or *for* specified price). 2. Recount, relate details of. Hence ~ER² n. [prob. f. prec.]

rétain', v.t. 1. Keep in place, hold fixed, (~ing *wall*, supporting & confining *mass* of earth or water; ~ing *force*, Mil., posted to keep part of enemy inactive etc.). 2. Secure services of (esp. barrister) by engagement & preliminary payment (~ing *fee*, *retainer*). 3. Keep possession of, not lose, continue to have; continue to practise or recognize, allow to remain or prevail, not abolish or discard or alter. 4. Succeed in remembering, not forget. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *retenir* f. L *retinere* *teni-*-*tenere* hold], RE-3]

rétain'er, n. 1. (Law) formal retention of something as one's own, authorization to retain thus; being retained to serve in some capacity; fee paid to barrister etc. for right to his services if required. 2. In vbl senses; esp. (hist.), dependant or follower of person of rank. [RETAIN + (sense 1) -ER⁴, (sense 2) -ER¹]

retake. See RE-9.

rétal'i'ate, v.t. & i. 1. Repay (injury, insult, etc., rarely kindness etc.) in kind; retort (accusation) upon person. 2. Do as one is done by, esp. return evil, make reprisals, (Pol. Econ.) impose duties on imports from foreign State in return for its import duties. Hence ~'ATION n., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, (-lya-), aa. [f. L *retaliare* f. *talio* such], RE-1]

rétard', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make slow or late, delay progress or arrival or accomplishment or happening of. 2. (Esp. of physical phenomena, e.g. motion of tides, waves, or celestial bodies) happen, arrive, behind normal or calculated time; hence or cogn. **rétard'ation**, ~MENT, nn., ~ATIVE, ~ATORY, aa. 3. n. ~ation (~ of tide or high water, interval between full moon & following high water). [f. F *retarder* f. L *retardare* f. *tardus* slow], RE-3]

retaste. See RE-8.

rétch, v.i., & n. 1. Make motion of vomiting esp. ineffectually & involuntarily. 2. n. Such motion or sound of it. [OE *hræcan* spit (*hræca* spittle, cf. ON *hraki*)]

retell. See RE-8.

rétên'tion, n. RETAINING; esp. (Med.) failure to evacuate urine or other secretion. [OF, f. L *retentionem* (RETAIN, -ION)]

rétên'tive, a. (Of memory, or rarely of person in that respect) tenacious, not forgetful; (of substances) ~ of moisture etc., apt to retain it (also ~ abs., ~ of moisture); (Surg., of ligature etc.) serving to keep something in place. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF (-if, -ive), see RETAIN, -IVE]

For pronunciation & hyphening of re- see RE-; for words in re- not given see RE-6, 9.

retenue' (-nōō), n. Reserve, self-control. [F]

rē'tiary (-sha-), n. A net-making or geometrical spider. [f. L *retarius* (gladiator) with net (*rete* net, -ARY¹)]

rē'ticence, n. Reserve in speech, avoidance of saying all one knows or feels, abstinence from over-emphasis in art; holding back of some fact; disposition to silence, taciturnity. So **~ENT** a. (*on, upon, about*), **~ently**² adv. [f. L *reticentia* f. *reticere*=*tacere* be silent), RE-4]

rē'ticle, n. Network of fine threads or lines in object-glass of telescope to help accurate observation. [f. L *RETICULUM*]

rē'ticūlate, v.t. & i. Divide or be divided in fact or appearance into a network, arrange or be arranged in small squares or with intersecting lines. So (*see cyma*). **~ATE**² (-at) a., **~ately**² adv., **~ATION** n., **~āto-** comb. form. [vb by back form. f. *reticulated* f. *reticulate* a. (*RETICULUM*, -ATE²)]

rē'ticūle, n. 1. = **RETICLE**. 2. Lady's netted or other bag carried or worn to serve purpose of pocket. 3. (Astron.) a Southern constellation. [f. F *rélicule* f. L (*fol.*)]

rē'ticūlum, n. (pl. **~a**). 1. Ruminant's second stomach or honeycomb. 2. Net-like structure, reticulated membrane etc., whence **~AR**¹, **~OSE**¹, aa., **~O-** comb. form. [L (*rete* net, -CULE)]

rē'tiform, a. Netlike, reticulated. [f. L *rete* net, -I-, -FORM]

rē'tinā, n. (pl. **~as**, **~ae**). Layer at back of eyeball sensitive to light. Hence **~AL** a., **~ITIS** n. [med. L, *perh.* f. L *rete* net]

rē'tinūe, n. Suite or train of persons in attendance upon someone. [f. OF *retenue* fem. p.p. of *retenir* RETAIN]

rē'tire, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Withdraw (*intr.*), go away, retreat, seek seclusion or shelter, recede, go (as) to bed, (*~ from the world*, become reclusive; *~ into oneself*, be uncommunicative or unsociable, whence **rē'tir'ing**² a., **rē'tir'ingly**² adv., **rē'tir'ingness** n.; *the ladies ~, leave dining-room after dessert; always ~s before midnight, often to rest, to bed, for the night, etc.; general, army, was forced to ~, ~d in good order, often from position, to place, before enemy, etc.; background does not ~ as it should; retiring-room*, for retiring to, esp. lavatory); (p.p., f. obs. trans. use; pr. *retir'd*) withdrawn from society or observation, secluded, (*lives ~d; a ~d life; in a ~d valley*), whence **~d'NESS** (-fēdn-) n. 2. Cease from or give up office or profession or employment or candidature, (*Cricket*) voluntarily terminate one's innings, compel (officer, employee) to ~, (*~ from the army, from business, on a pension; batsman ~d hurt; was compulsorily ~d as incompetent; retiring pension, allowed to one who ~s at normal time*); (p.p., *see -ED*¹(2) for sense) that has

~d (*a ~d general, grocer; ~d pay*, pension; *~d list*, of ~d officers). 3. (Mil.) order (troops) to ~; (*Finance*) withdraw (bill, note) from operation or currency. 4. n. (mil.). Signal to troops to ~ (*usu. sound the ~*). [n. a use of imperat. of vb, f. F *retirer* draw f. Teut., cf. Goth. *fairan*, OHG *seran*, TEAR v.), RE-9]

rē'tire'ment (-fīm-), n. In vblenses; also: seclusion, privacy; secluded place. [F (*proc.*, -MENT)]

rē'tōrt'¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Requite (humiliation, insult, attack) in kind; turn (mischief etc.), fling (charge, sarcasm, jest), back (*on or upon* author or aggressor), make (argument) tell against or *against* its user; make, say by way of, repartee or counter-charge or counter-argument; (p.p.) recurved, twisted or bent backwards. 2. n. Incisive reply, repartee: turning of charge or argument against its author; piece of retaliation. [f. L *re(torquere tort- twist)*, RE-9]

rē'tōrt'², n., & v.t. 1. Vessel usu. of glass with long downward-bent neck used in distilling liquids; kinds of receptacle of various shapes & materials used in purifying mercury & making gas & steel. 2. v.t. Purify (mercury) by heating in ~. [f. med. L *retorta* fem. p.p. as prec.]

rē'tōrt'ion, n. Bending back (lit. & fig.); (Internat. law) retaliation by State upon subjects of another. [f. mod. L *retortio* (*RETORT*¹, -ION)]

retouch. See RE-8.

rē'trace, v.t. Trace back to source or beginning; look over again; recall the course of in memory; go back over (one's steps or way; often fig. of undoing actions). [f. F *retracer* (RE-8, TRACE v.)]

rē'trāct', v.t. & i. 1. Draw (esp. part of one's body) back or in, (of such part etc.) shrink back or in or be capable of being ~ed, (*snail ~s its horns; cat's claws ~ or can be ~ed; surgeon ~s skin with instrument, organ is ~ed by muscle, called rē'trāct'or*¹ n.; *if the piston is suddenly ~ed*); hence or cogn. **rē'trāct'able**¹ [-ABLE] & (in same sense) **rē'trāct'ile** aa., **rē'trāct'il'ity** n., **rē'trāct'ive** a., **rē'trāct'ion**¹ [-ION] n. 2. Withdraw, revoke, cancel, refuse to abide by, acknowledge falsity or error of, expressly abandon, (statement, promise, opinion), (abs.) ~ opinion or statement; hence or cogn. **rē'trāct'able**¹ [-ABLE] a., **rē'trāct'ation**, **rē'trāct'ion**¹ [-ION], nn. [sense 1 f. L *re(trahere tract- draw)*, RE-4; sense 2 partly as 1, but chiefly f. L *re(trahere draw, frequent, of trahere draw)*, RE-9, & L *re(trahere pull about or handle)*, RE-8, as in arch. *retraction* rehandling, now only in title of Augustine's *Retractions*] **rē't'ral**, a. (nat. hist. etc.). Hindor, posterior, at the back. [RETRAO-, -AL] **retransfer**, **retransform**, **retranslate** etc., **retread**¹. See RE-9.

rē-tread¹ (-ēd), v.t., & n. Furnish (tire) with a new tread; (n.) tire so renewed. [RE- 9]

rétreat¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Go back, retire, relinquish a position, (esp. of army etc.); (trans., chiefly in chess) move (piece) back from forward or threatened position; recede (*a ~ing chin, forehead*). 2. n. Act of, (Mil.) signal for, ~ing (*sound the or a ~, Mil.; beat a ~, abandon undertaking; make good one's ~, get safely away; intercept ~ of, cut off; are in full ~*); (Mil.) bugle-call at sunset. 3. Withdrawing into privacy or security, (place of) seclusion; (Eccl.) temporary retirement for religious exercises; asylum for inebriates or lunatics or pensioners; lurking-place, place of shelter. [f. OF *retrait*(er) f. p.p. of *retraire* f. L *AS* RETRACT (1)]

rétrénch¹, v.t. & i. 1. Cut down, reduce amount of, (expenses, things causing outlay); cut off, deduct, (~ed *a year from the established period*); make excisions in or of, shorten or remove, (literary work or passages in it); cut down expenses, introduce economies. 2. (fortif.). Furnish with inner line of defence usu. consisting of trench & parapet. Hence ~MENT n. [f. obs. F *retrencher* var. of *trancher* (RE-, TRENCH)]

retrial. See RE- 8.

rétrībū'tion, n. Recompense for evil or rarely for good done, vengeance, requital. So **rétrīb'ū'tive** a., **rétrīb'ū'tively**¹ adv. [f. L *re(tributio* f. *tribuere* -ut- assign, -ION), RE- 1]

rétriv'e¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of dogs, esp. of special breed) find & bring in (killed or wounded bird etc., or abs.), whence ~ER¹ n. 2. Recover by investigation or effort of memory, restore to knowledge or recall to mind. 3. Regain possession of. 4. Rescue from bad state etc.; restore to flourishing state, revive, (esp. one's fortunes etc.). 5. Make good, repair, set right, (loss, disaster, error); hence ~ABLE a., ~AL(2) n. 6. n. Possibility of recovery (*beyond, past, ~e*). [f. OF *re(tr)over, truver*, find, compose in verse, ult. f. L f. Gk *trōpos* (TROPE), RE- 9]

retrim. See RE- 8.

retro- (usu. *rō- exo*, in the commoner wds, esp. *rétrograde*, *rétrospect*), pref. f. L *retro* adv. & pref.: (1) chiefly in L derivatives (~act, ~grade) or wds formed on L anal. of L elements (~flez, ~ject) with senses *backwards, back again, in return*; (2) chiefly in scientific esp. anat. wds with sense *behind* (~sternal a., behind the breast-bone), *hinder* (~choir, part behind high altar).

rétro|áct', v.i. React; operate in backward direction; have retrospective effect. Hence ~áct'ive a., ~áct'ively¹ adv.,

~áctiv'ity, ~áct'ion, nn. [f. L *RETRO-* (*agere* act-act)]

rét'ro|cède¹, v.i. Move back, recede; (of gout) strike inward. So ~céd'ENCE n., ~céd'ENT a. [f. L *RETRO*(*cedere* cess-go)]

rétrocède¹, v.t. Cede (territory) back again. [f. F *rétrocéder* (RETRO-, CEDE)]

rétrocé'ssion (-shn), n., **rétrocé's'sive**, a. In vbl senses (RETROCEDE¹). [-ION, -IVE]

rét'rochoir (-kwā), n. Part of cathedral or large church behind high altar. [f. med. L *RETRO*(*chorus* CHOIR)]

rétroflé'ctéd, **rét'rofléx**, -fléxed (-kst), aa. (anat., path., bot., etc.). Turned backwards. So **rétroflé'xion** (-kshn) n. [f. L *RETRO*(*flectere* flect- bend)]

rétrogradá'tion, n. (Astron.) apparent backward motion of planet in zodiac, motion of heavenly body from E. to W., backward movement of lunar nodes on ecliptic; =(the now usu.) RETROGRESSION. [f. L *RETRO*(*gradatio* f. -gradare f. -gradus -walking, -ATION)]

rét'rográde, a., n., & v.i. 1. (Astron.) in or showing RETROGRADATION; directed backwards (~ motion), retreating; reverting esp. to inferior state, declining; inverse, reversed, (*in ~ order; ~ imitation* in music, with notes of passage repeated backwards); hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. (rare). Degenerate person; backward tendency. 3. v.i. (Astron.) show RETROGRADATION; move backwards, recede, retire, decline, revert. [f. L *retrogradus*, -gradare (proc.)] **rétrogré'ss**¹, v.i. Go back, move backwards, deteriorate. Hence ~IVE a., ~ively¹ adv. [f. L *RETRO*(*gradi* gress-walk)]

rétrogré'ssion (-shn), n. (Astron.) retrogradation; backward or reversed movement; return to less advanced state, reversal of development, decline, deterioration. [f. L (prec.) + -ION]

rét'ro|jéct, v.t. Cast back (chiefly as opp. *project* in lit. senses). [RETRO-, & as PRO-JECT¹]

rétropul'sion (-shn), n. (path.). Shifting of external disease to internal part. [RETRO-, L *pellere* puls- drive, -ION]

rétrotré'se¹, a. (nat. hist.). Turned back, reverted. Hence ~LY² (-sli-) adv. [f. L *retrotrorsus*=RETRO(*versus* p.p. of *vertere* turn)]

rét'rospect, n. Regard (to be) had to precedent or authority or previous conditions; (rare) retrospective force, retroaction; backward view (rare); survey of past time or events (*is pleasant in the ~, when looked back on; a short ~ is now necessary*). [f. L *RETRO*(*spicere* spect-=specere look) after PROSPECT n.]

rétrospec'tion, n. Action of looking back esp. into the past, indulgence or engagement in retrospect. [as prec., -ION]

rétrospec'tive, a. Of, in, proceeding by, retrospection; (of statutes etc.) not re-

stricted to the future, licensing or punishing etc. past actions, having application to the past, retroactive; (of view) lying to the rear. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [as prec., -IVE]

retroussé (retrōs'sā), a. Turned up (of nose). [F]

rétrovér, v.t. Turn backwards (esp. path. in p.p., of womb). So **rétrovér'sion** (-shn) n. [f. LL *RETRO*(*vertere vers-* turn)]

retry etc. See RE-8.

réttr'ery, n. Flax-retting place. [RET, -ERY]

returf. See RE-8.

retürn'¹, v.i. & t. 1. Come or go back (*gone never to ~; ~ home, the way one came*; p.p. occas. as in -ED¹(2), as a ~ed emigrant, they are or usu. have ~ed). 2. Revert (*shall ~ to the subject; unto dust shalt thou ~; ~ to one's old habits; properly ~s to original owner*). 3. Bring, convey, give, yield, put, send, or pay, back or in return or requital (*fish must be ~ed to the water; ~ borrowed book or sum; investments ~ a profit; ~ sword to scabbard, or ~ swords* (Mil.); ~ ball, strike etc. it back in tennis etc.; ~ like for like, the compliment, a blow, an answer; ~ thanks, express them esp. in grace at meals or in response to toast; ~ person's love, greeting, etc., reciprocate it; ~ed empties, packing-cases etc. sent back; ~ clubs etc. or partner's lead at cards, lead from same suit). 4. Say in reply, retort. 5. State, mention, or describe, officially esp. in answer to writ or formal demand (*liabilities were ~ed at £5000; were all ~ed guilty, unfit for work; ~ing officer, official conducting election & announcing name of person elected*); (of constituency) elect as M.P. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. OF *re(t)urner* TURN], RE-9]

retürn'², n. 1. Coming back (*his ~ was the signal for riots; ~ of POST²; ~ ticket or ~, ticket for there-&-back journey, as took a first-class ~ to Leeds; ~ passenger, voyage, cargo, etc.; many happy ~s of the day or ~s, birthday or festival greeting; have had a, no, ~ of the symptoms*). 2. (Archit.) part receding from line of front, e.g. side of house or of window-opening (~ *angle, side, wall*, etc.). 3. (Coming in) proceeds or profit of undertaking (often pl.; *the ~s were large; brings an adequate ~; small profits & quick ~s, motto of cheap shop etc. relying on large trade*). 4. Giving, sending, putting, or paying, back, or thing so given etc., || esp. sheriff's report on writ, (returning officer's announcement of) candidate's election as M.P., or formal report with statistics etc. compiled by order (*sheriff made a ~ of nulla bona; secured his ~ for Colchester; table littered with ~s & pamphlets; must ask for the ~ of the book or loan; received a ticket in ~ for his fare, neglected in ~ for attention; fencer's ~, i.e. riposte, is slow; felder has a good ~ in cricket, sends ball in fast &*

straight; ~ *match or game*, or ~, between same sides as before). 5. pl. || Kind of mild pipe-tobacco (orig. sense *refuse of tobacco*). Hence ~LESS a. [AF (prec.)]

rétüse', a. (bot., entom.). With broad end & central depression (of leaf or similar part). [f. L *re(tundere tus-* beat), RE-9]

rëün'ion (-nyon), n. 1. Reuniting or being reunited, reunited state. 2. Social gathering, esp. of intimates or persons with common interests (formerly often in F form *ré-*). [f. F *réunion* (RE-, UNION)]

rëün'ionist, -ism, (-nyon-), nn. Seeker, seeking, of reunion between R.-C. & Anglican Churches. [-IST, -ISM]

reunite, see RE-9; **reurge**, **revaccinate** etc., RE-8.

rëv, n., & v.i. & t. (colloq.; -vv-). 1. = REVOLUTION (of engine). 2. vb. Revolve (with *up*, to increase in speed of revolution); (often with *up*) cause (engine) to run quickly (esp. when first starting). [abbr.]

rëvalën'ta, n. Food prepared from lentil & barley flour. [orig. *erv-* (L *ervum lens LENTIL*)]

rëvälörizä'tion, n. Restoration of the value of a country's currency. [RE-9 + VALORIZATION]

revalue etc. See RE-8.

revanche (revahnsh'), n. Return match (esp. as name of the revenge for the Franco-German war desired by France from 1870). [F]

rëveal'¹, v.t. 1. (Esp. of God) make known by inspiration or supernatural means (~ed religion, opp. natural). 2. Disclose, divulge, betray, bewray; display, show, let appear (~ *itself*, come to sight or knowledge). Hence ~ABLE a. [f. L *re(velare f. velum VEL)*, RE-7]

rëveal'², n. Internal side surface of opening or recess, esp. of doorway or window-aperture. [f. obs. vb *revale* f. OF *revaler* lower f. *a val* downwards f. L *ad vallem* to the valley], RE-4]

rëvei'ile (-väll, -väll), n. Military waking-signal sounded in morning on bugle or drums. [f. F *rêveillez* imperat. pl. of *rêveiller* (RE-, *veiller* f. L *vigilare* watch, see VIGIL)]

rëv'el, v.i. & t. (-ll-), & n. 1. Make merry, be riotously festive, feast, carouse, whence ~LER¹ n.; take keen delight in; throw away (money, time) in ~ry. 2. n. ~ling, (occasion of indulgence in) merry-making, (often pl., as *the ~s began*; ~ *roul*, party of ~lers, f. obs. ~-roul ~ry); hence ~RY(4, 5) n. [f. OF *revel(er)* riot f. L *REBEL'lare*]

rëvälä'tion, n. Disclosing of knowledge, knowledge disclosed, to man by divine or supernatural agency (*the R-*, also pop. *R-s* or the *R-s*, abbr. *Rev.*, last book of N.T., Apocalypse), whence ~AL (-shon-) a.; striking disclosure (*it was a ~ to me; what a ~!*); revealing of some fact. [f. L *revelatio* (REVEAL¹ -ATION)]

rêvêlâ'tionist (-shn), n. *The R-*, author of Apocalypse; believer in divine revelation. [-187]

revenant (rev'enah), n. One returned from the dead or from exile etc. [F]

rêvendicâ'tion, n. (diplom.). Formal claiming back, or recovery by such claim, of lost territory etc. [F (RE-, VINDICATION)]

rêvenge¹ (-j), v.t. & i. Satisfy oneself, (pass.) be satisfied, with retaliation (for offence, *on, upon, of*, offender); retaliate, requite, exact retribution for, (offence to oneself or another; *on, upon, offender*); avenge (person); take vengeance. [f. obs. F *re(venger* f. L *vindicare* VINDICATE), RE-1]

rêvenge² (-j), n. 1. Revenging, act done in revenging; desire to revenge, vindictive feeling, whence ~FUL (-j-f) a., ~FUL-^{LY} adv., ~FULNESS n. 2. (Games) opportunity given for reversing former result by return game (*give one his* ~). [f. prec.]

rêv'ênûe, n. 1. Income, esp. of large amount, from any source (pl. collective items of it, usu. w. possess. as *his* ~s). 2. State's annual income from which public expenses are met (INLAND ~; ~*tax*, imposed solely to raise ~, not to affect trade, opp. *protective*; ~ *cutler, officer*, etc., employed to prevent smuggling); department of civil service collecting it. [OF, p.p. of *revenir* f. L *re(venire* come) return, RE-9]

rêverb'érjâte, v.t. & i. 1. Return, beat back, echo, reflect, (t. & i. of sound, light, heat; ~*ating furnace or kiln*, constructed to ~*ate* heat on substance dealt with, whence ~*atory* a. & n.). 2. (rare). (Of emotion etc.) react *upon*; (of ball etc.) rebound. So ~*ATION* n., ~*ATIVE*, ~*ANT* (poet.), aa. [f. L RE-9(*verberare* beat), -ATE²]

rêverb'érâtor, n. Reflector, reflecting lamp. [-OR²]

rêvêre', v.t. Regard as sacred or exalted, hold in deep & usu. affectionate or religious respect, venerate. [f. L RE(*vereri* fear)]

rêv'erence, n., & v.t. 1. Revering (see prec.; *hold in, regard with, ~; feel ~ for, pay ~ to*); capacity for it (*the rising generation lacks* ~); (arch.) gesture showing it, bow, curtsy, obeisance; so rêvêr'ên'tial (-shl) a., rêvêr'ên'tially² adv. 2. Being revered (*saving your* ~, arch., apology for use of coarse term; *your, his, ~, arch. or vulg. or joc.*, titles used to, of, clergyman). 3. v.t. Regard with ~, venerate. [f. L *reverentia* (prec., -ENCE)]

rêv'erend, a. & n. 1. Deserving reverence by age, character, or associations (of person, place, custom, etc.; esp. as title, abbe. *Rev.*, or otherwise, of clergyman;

Very R-, of dean; *Right R-*, of bishop; *Most R-*, of archbishop; *the Right R-* John Smith or *the Right R-* the bishop of ~; *Rev. or the Rev. John or J. Smith*, or vulg. *Rev. or the Rev. Smith*; *the ~ gentleman*, the clergyman in question; as n., usu. pl., = clergyman etc., as ~s & right ~s, clergy & bishops). 2. Of the clergy (~ *utterances* etc.). 3. (arch.). = foll. [f. L *reverendus* (REVERE, -ND¹)]

rêv'erent, a. Feeling or showing reverence. Hence ~^{LY} adv. [f. L *revereus* (REVERE, -ENT)]

rêv'erie, n. (Fit of) musing, day-dream-*(ing)*, (*was lost in* ~ or *a* ~); (arch.) fantastic notion or theory, delusion; (Mus.) dreamy instrumental piece. [OF (*revere, rever*, now rêver dream etym. dub., -ERY); cf. RAVE²]

revers (revâr'), n. (pl. the same). Turned-back edge of coat, bodice, etc., displaying lining. [F]

rêvêrse¹, a. Opposite or contrary (*to*, or abs.) in character or order, inverted, back or backward, upside down, (*in the ~ direction to the time before*; *the ~ side* etc. of a coin, picture, etc.; ~ *q*; ~ *fire, battery*, etc., playing on enemy's rear or into works from rear; ~ *flank*, opposite to pivot end in wheeling). Hence ~^{LY} (-sll) adv. [f. L *re(vertere vers-* turn), RE-9]

rêvêrse², v.t. & i. 1. Turn (trans.) the other way round or up or inside-out, invert, transpose, convert to opposite character or effect, (~*e arms*, hold rifles butt upwards; ~*e motion, policy, order*, etc.; ~*e engine*, make it work backwards). 2. Revoke, annul, (decree, attainder, etc.). 3. (Danc., esp. in waltz) begin to revolve in opposite direction. Hence ~^{AL} (2) n., ~^{IBLE} a., ~^{IBLY} n. [f. F *reverser* (RE-, L *versare* frequent. of *vertere* turn)]

rêvêrse³, n. 1. The contrary (*of*, or abs.; *with others the ~ of this or the ~ happens*; *on the ~* in motoring, with car moving backwards; often w. adj. as periph. for its opposite, as *made remarks the ~ of complimentary*). 2. (Device on) subordinate side of coin etc. (opp. OVBVERSE); = VERSO. 3. = REVERSE¹ *side* (*take in* ~, subject to REVERSE¹ *fire*). 4. Piece of misfortune, disaster, esp. defeat in battle (*the ~s of fortune*; *suffered a* ~). [OF (-*re, -rse*) as REVERSE¹]

rêvêr'si, n. Game on draught-board with counters coloured differently above & below. [F]

rêvêr'sion (-shn), n. 1. (Return to grantor or his heirs or passing to ultimate grantee or ~^{ER} (-sho-) n. of, also right of ultimate succession to) estate granted till specified date or event, esp. death of original grantee (*in* ~, on such conditions). 2. Sum payable on person's death esp. by

way of life-insurance. 3. Thing to which one has a right or expects to succeed when relinquished by another. 4. Return to a previous state, habit, etc., esp. (Biol.) to ancestral type. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., ~ALLY² adv., (-sho-). [OF, f. L *re(versionem f. vertere vers-* turn, -ION), RE-9]

rêvêrt', v.i. & t., & n. 1. Go back (rare). 2. (Of property, office, etc.) fall in by REVERSION, whence ~ER¹ n. (legal). 3. Return to former state etc. (cf. prec.; n. after *convert*, *pervert*, person who readopts his original faith); (abs.) fall back into wild state. 4. Recur to subject in talk or thought. 5. Turn (eyes, rarely steps) back. [f. OF *revêrtir* f. L as prec.] **rêvêrt'ible**, a. (Of property) subject to reversion. [prec., -IBLE]

rêvôt', v.t. (-tt-). Face (rampart, wall, etc.) with masonry etc. esp. in fortification. [f. F *revêtir* f. L *re(culire clotho f. VESTis)*, RE-8]

rêvôt'ment, n. Retaining-wall or facing (as prec.). [f. F *revêtement* (prec., -MENT)] **revictual**. See RE-8.

review' (-vü), v.t. & i. 1. Revision (esp. legal; is not subject to ~; court of ~, before which sentences etc. come for revision). 2. Display & formal inspection of troops, fleet, etc. (~ *order*, dress & arrangement usu. at ~s, & transf. full fig; *pass in ~*, fig. t. & i., examine or be examined). 3. Retrospect, survey of the past. 4. Critique of book etc.; periodical publication with articles on current events, new books, art, etc. 5. Second view. [f. OF *revue* (now -vue) orig. fem. p.p. of *revoir* f. L *re(vidēre see)*, RE-9]

review' (-vü), v.t. & i. 1. View again. 2. Subject to esp. legal revision. 3. Survey, glance over, look back on. 4. Hold review of (troops etc.). 5. Write review of (book etc.), write reviews, whence ~ER¹ (-vür) n. Hence ~ABLE a., ~AL(2) n., (-vüa-). [RE-, VIEW]

revîl'e', v.t. & i. Call by ill names, abuse, rail at; talk abusively, rail. Hence ~ER¹, ~IL(1), nn., ~INGLY² adv. [f. OF *reviler* (RE-6, VILE)]

révis'e' (-z), v.t., & n. 1. Read or look over or re-examine or reconsider & amend faults in (literary matter, printers' proofs, law, constitution, etc.; *Revised Version*, abbr. R.V., revision made 1870-84 of Authorized or 1611 Version of Bible); hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~ORY, (-z), aa., ~AL(2) (-z), **révis'ion** (-zhn), nn., **révis'ional** (-zho-) a., ~ER¹ (-z) n. (esp. in pl. of authors of R.V.). 2. n. Revision, ~ing, (rare); ~ed form (rare); (Print.) proof-sheet embodying corrections made in earlier proof. [n. f. vb. f. F *re(viser look at f. L vidēre vis-* see), RE-8]

révisit, see RE-8; **revitalize**, RE-9.

réviv'al, n. 1. Bringing or coming back into vogue (~ of *learning, letters*, etc., at

Renaissance; ~ of *architecture*, 19th-c. reversion to Gothic; ~ of *book, play, word, custom*, etc.). 2. (Special effort with meetings etc. to promote) reawakening of religious fervour, whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn. 3. Restoration to bodily or mental vigour or to life or consciousness. [foll., -AL(2)]

rêviv'e', v.i. & t. Come or bring back to consciousness, life, existence, vigour, notice, activity, validity, or vogue; (Chem.) restore (metal, esp. mercury) to natural form. Hence ~ABLE a. [f. LL *re(vivere live)*, RE-8; trans. use prob. f. *is* etc. *revived* as -ED(2)]

rêviv'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: (sl.) stimulating drink; preparation for restoring faded colour etc. [-ER¹]

rêviv'ify, v.t. Restore to animation, activity, vigour, or life; (Chem.) = REVIVIFY. Hence ~IFICATION n. [f. LL *revivificare VIVIFY*, RE-8]

rêvis'is'cence, n., **rêvis'is'cent**, a. Returning to life or vigour. [f. L RE-8 (*viviscere* incept. of *vivere live*), -ENOB, -ENT]

rêviv'or, n. (law). Proceeding for revival of suit after death of party etc. [REVIVE, -OR²]

rêvôke', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Repeal, annul, withdraw, rescind, cancel, (decree, consent, promise, permission; also rarely abs., withdraw promise etc.), so **rêv'oc-able**, **rêv'ocatory**, aa., **rêv'oca'tion** n.; (Cards) make ~. 2. n. Card-player's failure to follow suit though he could; (rare) revocation (*beyond ~*). [f. L *revocare call*, RE-9]

rêvôlt', v.i. & t., & n. 1. Cast off allegiance, make rising or rebellion, fall away from or rise against ruler, go over to rival power, (n., act of ~ing or state of having ~ed, rising, insurrection; so *in ~*; p.p. as -ED(2), as his ~ed subjects). 2. Feel revulsion or disgust at, rise in repugnance against, turn in loathing from, (common sense, nature, one's heart, ~s at or against or from it; n., sense of loathing, rebellious or protesting mood). 3. Affect with strong disgust, nauseate, whence ~ING² a., ~INGLY² adv. [f. F *révolte(r)* f. RE-2, L *volutare frequent. of volvere volut-roll*]

rêv'olute' (-ôôt, -ût), a. (bot. etc.). With back-rolled edge. [f. L *REVOLVERE*]

révolute' (-ôôt), v.i. (sl.). Engage in political revolution. [back formation f. foll.]

révolu'tion (-lôô-, -lû-), n. 1. Revolving, motion in orbit or circular course or round axis or centre, rotation, single completion of orbit or rotation, time it takes, cyclic recurrence. 2. Complete change, turning upside down, great reversal of conditions, fundamental reconstruction, esp. forcible substitution by subjects of new ruler or polity for the old (the R~, expulsion of James II 1688; French R~,

overthrow of monarchy 1789 etc.; *American R-*, overthrow of British rule 1775 etc.), whence ~ISM(1, 3) v.t., ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., (-ōsho-, -ō-). [f. LL (-tio) as REVOLVE, -ION]

révolutiōnary (-ōsho-, -ō-), a. & n. (Instigator) of revolution; involving great & usu. violent changes; (rare) of rotation or revolving. [-ARY¹]

révolve, v.t. & i. Turn (t. & i.) round or round & round, rotate, go in circular orbit, roll (Intr.) along, (~ *problem, fact, in the mind* etc. or abs., ponder over it; *mechanism for revolving the turntable*; *Earth ~s both round or about sun & on its axis; seasons, years, ~*). [f. L *revolvere* volut- roll], RE- 6]

révöl'ver, n. Pistol with revolving mechanism enabling user to fire several shots without reloading (*policy of the big ~*, of threatening foreign States with retaliatory tariff). [-ER¹]

rêvûe, n. Loosely constructed play or series of scenes or spectacles presenting or satirizing current events. [F]

rêvûl'sion (-shn), n. 1. Counter-irritation, treatment of one disordered organ etc. by acting upon another. 2. (rare). Drawing or being drawn away (*the ~ of capital from other trades*). 3. Sudden violent change of feeling, sudden reaction in taste, fortune, trade, etc. [f. L *revulsio* f. *vellere* vuls- pull], RE- 0]

rêvûl'sive, a. & n. (chiefly med.). 1. Of, producing, revulsion. 2. n. Counter-irritant application. [prec., -IVE]

rêward (-wôrd), n., & v.t. 1. Return or recompense for service or merit, requital for good or evil, retribution; sum offered for detection of criminal, restoration of lost property, etc.; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Repay, requite, recompense, (service or doer of it, offender, offence). [f. ONF *reward*(er)=OF REGARD¹(er)]

rewin, see RE- 9; **reword**, **rewrite**, RE- 8. **Rêx**, n. (abbr. *R.*). Reigning king (in use as REGINA). [L]

Rey'nard (rên-, rân-), n. (Proper name for) the fox; a fox. [f. OF *Renart* name of fox in the *Roman de Renart*]

rhab'domancy, n. Use of divining-rod, esp. for discovering subterranean water or ore. [f. LL f. Gk *rhabdomanteia* (*rhabdos* rod, -MANTY)]

Rhâdamân'thus, n. Stern & incorruptible judge. Hence ~INE¹ a. [name of judge in Gk Hades]

Rhae'tian (rêhn), a. & n. ~ *Alps*, part of Alps about the Engadine; =RHAETO-ROMANIC a. & n. [L *Rhaetia*, -IAN]

Rhaet'ic, a. & n. (Of) the set of strata intermediate between lias & trias prevailing in Rhaetian Alps. [f. L *Rhaeticus* (papo-, -ici)]

Rhaeto-Român'ic, -ân'ce', aa. & nn. (Of, in) any of the Romance dialects of SE. Switzerland & Tyrol, esp. Romansh & Ladin. [L *Rhaetus* Rhaetian, -o-]

rhap'sôde, n. Ancient-Greek minstrel or reciter of epic poems. [f. Gk *rhapsôidos* (*rhapsô* stitch, ODE)]

rhap'sod'ize, v.t. & i. Recite (t. & i.) as rhapsode; talk or write rhapsodies (usu. *about, on*, etc.). So ~IST(1) n. [foll., -IZE]

rhap'sod'y, n. 1. (Gk Ant.) epic poem, or part of it, of length for one recitation. 2. Enthusiastic extravagant high-flown utterance or composition, emotional irregular piece of music, whence **rhap'sôd'ical** a., **rhap'sôd'ically** adv. Hence **rhap'sôd'ic** a. [f. L *rhapsodia* f. Gk *rhapsôidia* (RHAPSODE, -IA¹)]

rhat'an'y, n. (Extract, used medicinally & in adulterating port, of root of) S.-Amer. shrub. [f. Port. *ratanhia* f. native *ratanha*]

rhe'a (rêa), n. S.-Amer. three-toed ostrich. [name of Gk goddess]

Rhêm'ish, a. Of Rheims (~ *Bible, Testament, version, translation*, N.T. translated by Roman Catholics of English College at Rheims 1582). [obs. f. *lithemes*, -ISH]

Rhên'ish, a. & n. (arch.). 1. Of the Rhine & districts on its banks (now usu. *Rhine* attrib.). 2. n. ~ wine (now usu. *Rhine wine* or *hock*). [f. OF *rimois* or MHG *rinisch* or MDu. *rijnsch* w. assim. to L *Ithenus* Rhine]

rhên'ium, n. Rare metallic element of manganese group, discovered in 1925. [f. L *Rhenus* Rhine, -IUM]

rhêo-, rêo-, comb. form in chiefly electr. terms of Gk *rheos* stream, =current-, as *rheôl'ogy*, study of flow & deformation of matter; *rhe'ostat*, apparatus for controlling supply of current, esp. to electric motors when starting up, by introducing variable resistance.

rhês'us, n. Small catarrhine monkey common in N. India. [arbitr. use of Gk *Rhêsus*, mythical king of Thrace]

rhêt'or, n. Ancient Greek or Roman teacher or professor of rhetoric; (mere) orator (rare). [L, f. Gk *rhêtôr* (*eirô*, perf. *eirêka*, speak)]

rhêt'oric, n. (Treatise on) the art of persuasive or impressive speaking or writing; language designed to persuade or impress (often w. implication of insincerity, exaggeration, etc.); persuasiveness of or of looks or acts. [f. L f. Gk *rhêtorikê* (*tekhê* art) of RHETOR, -IC]

rhêtô'rical, a. Expressed with a view to persuasive or impressive effect, artificial or extravagant in language, of the nature of rhetoric, (~ *question*, asked not for information but to produce effect, as *who cares?* for *nobody cares*); of the art of

rhetoric; given to rhetoric, oratorical. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L f. Gk *rhetorikos* (RHETOR, -IO) + -AL]

rhētorī'cian (-shn), n. = RHETOR; rhetorical speaker or writer. [f. OF *rethoricien* (RHETORIC, -ICIAN)]

|| **rheum** (rōm), n. (arch.). Watery secretion or discharge of mucous membrane etc. such as tears, saliva, or mucus; catarrh; (pl.) rheumatic pains. [f. OF *reune* f. L f. Gk *rheuma* -atos stream (rheō flow, -M)]

rheumat'ic (-ō-), a. & n. 1. Of, suffering from, subject to, producing, or produced by, rheumatism (~ic fever, non-infectious fever with inflammation & pain in joints; ~ic walk etc., impeded by ~ic stiffness); hence ~ICALLY adv., ~icky² a. (colloq.), **rheu'mato**-comb. form, **rheu'matoid** a., (-ō-). 2. n. ~ic patient; (pl., colloq.) rheumatism. [f. L f. Gk *rheumatikos* (prec., -IO)]

rheu'matism (-ō-), (vulg.) -tiz, n. Disease marked by inflammation & pain in joints (*acute* ~, rheumatic fever). [f. LL f. Gk *rheumatismos* (*rheumatizō* f. *RHEUMO* -IZE, -ISM)]

|| **rheu'my** (-ō-), a. (arch.). Consisting of, flowing with, rheum; (of air) damp, raw. [-Y²]

rhīn'al, n. (anat. etc.). Of nostril or nose. [RHINO- -AL]

|| **rhine**¹ (rēn), n. (SW. dial.). Large open ditch. [prob. f. OE *ryne* = obs. *rune* stream]

Rhine², n. German river (~ wine, kinds esp. of white wine from ~ vineyards, cf. RHENISH; ~stone, kind of rock-crystal, also paste gem imitating diamond).

rhīn'ō¹, n. (sl.). Money (often *ready* ~). [?]

rhīn'ō², n. (sl.; pl. ~s). (Short for) rhinoceros.

rhīn'o-, comb. form of Gk *rhīs rhinos* nostril, nose, as ~*opharyngeal*, of nose & pharynx; ~*oplastic*, *rhīn'oplastic*, (of) plastic surgery of the nose; *rhīn'oscope*, ~*oscopic*, ~*oscopy*¹.

rhīnō'ceros, n. Large unwieldy African & S.-Asiatic quadruped with horn or two horns on nose & thick folded & plated skin. So **rhīnōcerōt'ic** a. [f. LL f. Gk *rhīno(kerōs* f. *keras* horn)]

rhīz'o-, comb. form of Gk *rhīza* root chiefly in bot. terms as ~*carp*, plant with perennial root but perishing stems.

rhīz'ōme, n. Prostrate rootlike stem emitting roots, rootstock. [f. Gk *rhīzōma* (*rhīzōmai* take root, as prec., -M)]

rhō, n. Greek letter (*P, p*) = *r*. [Gk]

Rhōde Isl'and (II-) **Rēd**, n. American breed of reddish-black domestic fowl. [f. *Rhode Island*, State of U.S.]

Rhodes schōl'ar (rōdz sk-), n. Holder of any of 190 scholarships tenable at Oxford by members of British Dominions & Colonies or United States (formerly also by Germans): [Cecil Rhodes, founder]

Rhōd'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Rhodes. [L *Rhodus* f. L f. Gk *Rhodos* Rhodes + -AN]

rhōd'ium¹, n. (Also ~wood) scented wood of Canary convolvulus, rosewood, (oil of ~, rosewood oil got from it). [mod. L, neut. adj. (sc. *lignum* wood) = rosellike f. Gk *rhodon* rose]

rhōd'ium², n. Hard white metal of platinum group (~ium pen, steel pen tipped with it). Hence ~IC, ~OUS, a. (chem.). [Gk *rhodon* rose, -IUM, from colour of solution of its salts]

rhōdo-, comb. form of Gk *rhodon* rose, as ~*sperm'ous* with red spores.

rhōdodēn'dron, n. Kinds of large-flowered evergreen shrubs akin to azalea. [LL f. Gk (prec., *dendron* tree)]

rhōmb (-b usu. mute exc. before vowel), n. Oblique equilateral parallelogram, diamond or lozenge, object or part with such outline; (Cryst.) rhombohedron. Hence **rhōm'bic** a., **rhōm'bo**-comb. form. [f. L f. Gk *rhombos*]

rhōmbohēd'rion, n. (chiefly cryst.; pl. ~a, ~ons). (Crystal in shape of) solid bounded by six equal rhombs. Hence ~AL a. [RHOMBO- (prec.), Gk *hedra* base]

rhōm'boid, a. & n. 1. Of or near the shape of a rhomb (~ muscle, connecting scapula with vertebrae). 2. n. Quadrilateral of which only opposite sides & angles are equal; ~ muscle. [f. LL f. Gk *rhombocidēs* (RHOMB, -OID)]

rhōmboid'al, a. Having shape of a rhomboid (prec., n.); = prec. (adj.). Hence ~LY² adv. [prec., -AL]

rhōm'bus, n. (pl. -buses, -bē). 1. = RHOMB. 2. Kinds of flat-fish including turbot & brill. [L (RHOMB)]

rhōt'acism n., **rhōt'acize** v.i. (Speak with) excessive or peculiar pronunciation of *r*; conversion of, convert, other sounds into *r*. [n. f. vb f. Gk *rhōtakizō* (RHO, -IZE)]

rhū'bārb (rōb-), n. 1. (Purgative made from) root of Chinese & Tibetan plant (usu. *Chinese, East Indian, Russian, or Turkey* ~, from channels of importation). 2. (Fleshy leaf-stalks of) kinds of garden plant, cooked in spring as substitute for fruit (occas. *English, French, common, or garden* ~). 3. attrib. (Of colour) yellowish-brown like Chinese ~. Hence ~Y² a. [f. OF *rubarbe* f. med. L *rhobarbarum* foreign rha or rhubarb (*rha* Gk, perh. f. *Rha* the Volga, BARBAROUS), w. assim. to L f. Gk *rhēon* rhubarb]

rhūmb (-m), n. (naut.). (Also ~line) line cutting all meridians at same angle, line followed by ship sailing on one course; angular distance between two successive points of compass, 11° 15'. [thr. F or Sp. f. L RHOMBUS]

rhyme¹, **rime**, n. 1. Identity of sound between words or verse-lines extending from the end to the last fully accented vowel & not further (greet & deceit,

shepherd & leopard, quality & frivolity, stationary & probationary, is it & visit, give ~s, but seat & deceit, station & crustacean. visible & invisible, do not; single or male or masculine, double or female or FEMININE, treble or triple, quadruple. ~, according to number of syllables included; imperfect ~, as in love & move, phase & rare; without ~ or reason, quite unaccountable, -bly. 2. Verse marked by ~s (pl. or sing.), a poem with ~s, the employment of ~, (should be written in ~; prefer blank verse to ~; am sending you some ~s; NURSERY ~; was reading an old ~; ~ royal, stanzas of seven ten-syllable lines with ~s as *ababbc*, as in Chaucer's *Clerkes Tale* etc.). 3. Word providing a ~ (to another; can't find a ~ to teacups; English is badly off for double ~s). Hence ~LESS (-ml-) a., ~LESSNESS n. [*rhyme* assim. to RHYTHM of earlier & OF *rime* f. L f. Gk *rhuthmos* RHYTHM]

rhyme², **rime**, v.i. & t. Write rhymes, versify (intr.), whence *rhym'ER*¹, *rhyme'-STER* (-nis-), nn.; put or make (story etc.) into rhyme (~d verse, opp. blank verse); while (time) away in rhyming; (of words or lines) exhibit rhyme, (of word) supply or act as rhyme to or with, (of person) treat (word) as rhyming with, select rhymes, (~s carelessly; ~s law with four; *rhyming*¹-dictionary, of words arranged by terminations for versifiers' use), whence *rhym'IST*(1) n. [f. OF *rimer* as prec.]

rhýthm (-dhm, -thm), n. 1. Metrical movement determined by various relations of long & short or accented & unaccented syllables, measured flow of words & phrases in verse or prose. 2. That feature of musical composition concerned with periodical accent & the duration of notes. 3. (Art) harmonious correlation of parts. 4. (Physics, Physiol., & gen.) movement with regular succession of strong & weak elements. Hence or cogn. *rhýth'mic*(AL) aa., *rhýth'mically*² adv., *rhýth'mLESS* a., *rhýth'mist*(3) n., (-dh-, -th-). [f. L f. Gk *rhuthmos* cf. *rhéo* flow]

ri'ant, a. Smiling, cheerful, (of face, eyes, etc., & esp. of landscape). [F (*rivre* f. L *ridére* laugh, -ANT)]

rib, n., & v.t. (-bb-). 1. One of curved bones reaching from spine round upper part of body (*true, sternal* ~, joined also to breastbone, opp. *false, floating, short* ~; *poke one in the ~s*, to draw his attention facetiously; *smite under fifth ~*, Bibl., *stab*; ~ or ~s of *beef* etc., as joint of meat; *SPARE* ~; (joc. w. ref. to Gen. ii. 21) wife, woman. 2. Ridge or long raised piece often of thicker material across thinner surface serving to support as part of framework or strengthen or adorn, e.g. vein of leaf, shaft of feather, spur of

mountain, vein of ore, ridge between furrows, wave-mark on sand, raised line in knitting, one of ship's curved timbers to which planks are nailed or corresponding ironwork, arch supporting vault, groin, raised moulding on groin or across ceiling etc., wooden or iron beam helping to carry bridge, hinged rod of umbrella-frame. 3. ~grass, ~wort, Narrow-leaved Plantain. Hence (-)~BED² (-bd), ~LESS, aa. 4. v.t. Provide with ~s, act as ~s of, whence ~B'ING²(3, 5) n.; mark with ridges; plough with ~s between furrows, half-plough, rafter. [Teon.-Teut., cf. ON *riff*, G *rippe*, Dn. *rib*]

rib'ald, n. & a. 1. Irreverent jester, user of scurrilous, blasphemous, or indecent language; so ~RY(4, 5) n. 2. adj. (Of language or its user) scurrilous, obscene, irreverent. [earlier sense *low-born retainer, menial*, f. OF *ribaut*, -ault, etym. dub.]

rib'and n., **rib'andé** a. = RIBBON(ed). [f. F *riban* (now *ru-*), etym. dub.]

ribb'and, n. Wale, strip, scantling, or light spar, of wood, used esp. in ship-building to hold ribs in position, launching, & making of gun-platform or pontoon-bridge. [f. RIB, BAND¹, or var. of prec.]

ribb'on, n. 1. (Piece or length of) silk or satin or other fine material woven into narrow band esp. for adorning costume; ~ of special colour etc. worn to indicate membership of knightly order, club, college, athletic team, etc. (BLUE¹ ~; R~ Society, Irish R.-C. secret society formed in early 19th c. & associated with agrarian crime, whence R~ISM n.). 2. Long narrow strip of anything, ~-like object or mark, (pl.) driving-reins, (*hang in, torn to, ~s*, ragged strips; *handle, take, the ~s*, drive). 3. ~building, ~development, the building of houses along a main road, extending outwards from a town; ~fish, long slender flat kinds; ~grass, slender-leaved kind; ~man, member of R~ Society. Hence (-)~ED² (-nd) a. [var. of RIBAND]

rib'és (-z), n. (bot.). Currant or gooseberry plant. [med. L. = sorrel, f. Arab. *ribas*]

Rib'ston pipp'in, n. Kind of dessert apple. [*Ribston* Park in Yorks.]

Ricard'ian, a. & n. (Adherent) of the political economist Ricardo (d. 1823), according to his views. [-IAN]

rice, n. (Pearl-white seeds, used as staple food in many Eastern countries, & in Britain in puddings, cakes, etc., or as table-vegetable, of) chiefly oriental plant grown in marshes; ~bird, Java sparrow, also bobolink; ~milk, boiled & thickened with ~; ~paper, kind made from pith of a Formosan plant & used by Chinese artists for painting on (named after ~ in error). [f. OF *ris* f. It. *risio* (L f. Gk *oriza* prob. f. Oriental source)]

rich, a. 1. (Of persons, societies, States, etc.) wealthy, having riches, (also as n. in *the* ~, ~ & *poor*). 2. (Of countries, periods, soil, etc.) abounding in or in natural resources or some valuable possession or production, fertile. 3. Valuable (~ *offerings*, a ~ *harvest*). 4. (Of dress, furniture, buildings, banquets, etc.) splendid, costly, elaborate, (*with* lace, sculpture, etc.). 5. (Of food or diet) containing or involving large proportion of fat, oil, butter, eggs, sugar, spice, etc. 6. (Of colours, sounds, smells) mellow, deep, full, not thin. 7. Abundant, ample. 8. (Of incidents) highly amusing, full of entertainment or material for humour. 9. ~, richly (~ *clad*, ~ *bound*, ~ *glittering*, etc.). Hence ~'EN⁶ v.i. & t. (rare), ~'NESS n. [com.-Teut.; OE *rice*, cf. Du. *rijk*, G. *reich*, ON *ríkr*; perh. early Teut. adoption of L *rex* king]

Rich^{ard}, pers. name. ~ *Röe*, typical name for defendant in ejectment suit (cf. JOHN DOE); *Poor* ~'s sayings, maxims from almanacs issued by Benjamin Franklin with *Poor* ~ as pseudonym; ~'s *himself* again (f. interpolation in Clibber's version of Shaks. ~ III), said by or of person recovered from despondency, fear, illness, etc.

rich^{es} (-iz), n. (usu. as pl.). Abundant means, wealth, valuable possessions, being rich. [f. obs. & OF *richesse* (*riche* RICH, -ESS²)]

rich^{ly}, adv. In adj. senses; also (chiefly with *deserve*) fully, thoroughly, (~ *deserves* a thrashing, to succeed). [-LY²]

rick¹, n., & v.t. 1. Stack of hay, corn, peas, etc., esp. one regularly built & thatched; || ~ *barton*, = ~ *yard*; ~ *cloth*, canvas cover for unfinished ~; ~ *stand*, short wooden or stone pillars bearing joists to raise ~ from ground; ~ *yard*, enclosure for ~s. 2. v.t. Form into ~(s). [OE *hréac*, cf. Du. *rook*, Norw. *rauk*]

rick². See WRICK.

rick³'ets, n. (as sing. or pl.; -et in comb. etc., as *rick³-producing*, *rick³ety*). Children's disease with softening of bones, esp. of spine, & bow-legs etc., rachitis. [etym. dub.; taken by writer (1645) of treatise on it for corrupt. of RACHITIS, which he introduced as its scientific name]

rick⁴'et'y, a. 1. Suffering from, of (the nature of), rickets. 2. Feeble, shaky, tottering, weak-jointed, fragile, insecure, (of persons or things, esp. furniture). Hence ~'NESS n. [-Y¹]

ricksha(w). See JINRICKSHA.

ric¹'ochet (-shā, -shët), n., & v.i. & t. (-t or -tt, *pr.* -shād or -shët, -shāing or -shëtting etc.). 1. Skipping on water or ground of projectile esp. shell or bullet, hit made after it, (often attrib., as ~ *fire*, *shot*). 2. vb. (Of projectile) skip once or more; (of gun, gunner, etc.) hit or aim at with ~ shot(s). [vb f. n., F. etym. dub.]

ric²'tus, n. Expanse or gape of person's or animal's mouth, bird's beak, or flower with two-lipped corolla. [L (*ringi* open the mouth)]

rid, v.t. (past *riddled*, *rid*; p.p. *rid*, rarely *ridded*). Make (person, place) free, disencumber, of (usu. in p.p. with *be* or *get*; *glad* to be, *must get*, ~ of him); (arch.) abolish, clear away, get ~ of, (pest). Hence ~d'ANCE n. (esp. a good ~ *dance* as excl. of joy; person etc. is a good ~ *dance*, better away). [earlier sense *clear* (land etc.); f. ON *ryðhja*]

rid(d)'el, n. (eccl.). Altar-curtain. [f. OF *ridel* (F. *rideau*) curtain]

ridden. See RIDE.

rid¹'dle¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Question, statement, or description, designed or serving to test ingenuity of hearers in divining its answer or meaning or reference, conundrum, enigma; puzzling or mysterious fact, thing, or person. 2. vb. Speak in, propound, (part.) expressed in, ~s, whence *ridd¹'lingly²* adv.; solve (~; often ~ *me* as challenge). [OE *riðdels* (READ, suf. -els as in BURIAL), cf. Du. *raadsel*, G. *ratsehl*]

rid²'dle², n., & v.t. 1. Coarse sieve for corn, gravel, cinders, etc.; plate with pins used in straightening wire. 2. v.t. Pass (corn etc.) through ~, sift, (fig.) test (evidence, truth); fill (ship, person) with holes esp. of gunshot, (fig.) pelt with questions, refute (person, theory) with facts. [OE *hriddel*, earlier *hriddor* (*hrid*-shake), cf. G. *reiter*, L. *cribrum*]

ride, v.i. & t. (*rōde*, arch. *rid*; *ridden* *pr.* *ri'dn*, arch. *rid*), & n. 1. Sit on & be carried by horse etc., go on horseback etc. or on bicycle etc. or in train or other public conveyance (cf. DRIVE¹), sit or go or be on something as on horse esp. astride, sit on & manage horse, lie at anchor, float buoyantly, (of sun etc.) seem to float, (of things normally level or even) project or overlap, (~ a *cock-horse*, BODKIN, ROUGH-SHOD, 50 miles, full speed, a race; ~ to hounds, hunt; ~ for a fall, or fig. act recklessly; ~ 12 st. etc., weigh that in riding-trim; ~ over, in horse-racing as WALK over; ~ one down, overtake him by riding, also put one's horse at him; ~ one off at polo, edge him away; ~ off on a side issue, use it to evade the main point; ~ & tie, of two or more travellers sharing horse, one riding ahead & then leaving it tied to await the other; *riding* on his father's shoulders, back, knee, foot; ~s well, cannot ~, learn to ~, riding-lessons or -school; bird, ship, ~s on the wind, waves; ship rode at anchor; ~ out the storm lit. & fig., come safely through it; moon was riding high; bone ~s in fracture, one part overlaps other; rope ~s, has one turn crossing over another; traverse on horseback etc., ~ over or through, (~ the country, desert, etc.; ~ a ford, pass

through it on horseback). 2. ~ on, sit heavily on, oppress, haunt, dominate, tyrannize over, (~ horse; ~ one's horse at fence or enemy, urge it forward; ~ one's horse, & fig. hobby or method or jest, to death, kill or overdo it; *nightmare ~s sleeper*; ~ the whirlwind, direct it; *ship ~s the waves*; *ridden by fears, prejudices, etc.*; *priest etc. -ridden*). 3. Give ~ to, cause to ~, (~ child on one's back; ~ one on rail, carry him astride on it as torture). 4. (Of ground) be of specified character for riding on (~s well, soft, hard, etc.); hence *rid'ABLE* a. 5. n. Journey in public conveyance, spell of riding on horse, bicycle, person's back, etc.; *take for a ~ (sl.), drive (person) away in a motor-car prior to murdering him. 6. Road esp. through wood for riding on. 7. (Mil.) batch of mounted recruits. [com.-Tent.; OE *ridan*, cf. Du. *rijden*, G *reiten*] **rid'el**. See **RIDDEL**.

rid'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: 1. (Naut., pl.) additional set of timbers or iron plates strengthening ship's frame; (sing.) overlying rope or rope-turn. 2. (Curl.) stone that ousts another. 3. Additional clause amending or supplementing document, esp. parliamentary bill at third reading; corollary, naturally arising supplement; expression of opinion, recommendation etc., added to verdict. 4. (Math.) problem testing student's mastery of principles on which its solution depends. 5. Piece in machine etc. that surmounts or bridges or works over others. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *ridere* (RIDE)]

ridge, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Line of junction in which two sloping surfaces meet (*the ~ of a roof, the nose, etc.*); long narrow hill-top, mountain range, watershed; (Agric.) one of a set of raised strips separated by furrows; (Gard.) raised hot-bed for melons etc.; any narrow elevation across surface; ~piece, beam along ~ of roof; ~pole, horizontal pole of long tent, also ~piece; ~tile, used for roof-~; ~tree, ~piece; ~way, road along ~; hence *ridg'y* a. 2. v.b. Break up (land) into ~s; mark with ~s; plant (cucumbers etc.) in ~s; gather (t. & i. esp. of sea) into ~s. [com.-Tent.; OE *hrycg*, cf. LG *rüg*, G *rücken*]

rid'ic'le, n., & v.t. 1. Ridiculous thing, ridiculousness, (arch.); holding or being held up as laughing-stock, derision, mockery. 2. v.t. Make fun of, subject to ~, laugh at. [f. L *ridiculum* neut. of *ridiculus* laughable (*ridere* laugh)]

ridic'ulous, a. Deserving to be laughed at, absurd, unreasonable. Hence ~LY adv., ~NESS n. [as prec. + -OUS, or f. L *ridiculus*]

rid'ing¹, n. In vbl senses; also, road for riders, esp. green track through or beside wood; ~brushes; ~HABIT¹; ~lamp, light (borne by ship at anchor). [-ING¹]

|| **rid'ing**², n. Administrative division

(*East, W., or N., R~*) of Yorkshire; similar division of other U.-K. or colonial county. [for *thridding* (THIRD, -ING²) third part, with loss of *th-* owing to preceding -t(h) of *east* etc.]

ri'facimēn'tō (-ahch-), n. (pl. -ti pr. -tē). Remodelled form of a literary work or the like. [It.]

rife, pred. a. Of common occurrence, met with in numbers or quantities, prevailing, current, numerous, (usu. be, also *grow, wax, etc.*, ~); well provided with (*language is ~ with maxims*). Hence ~NESS (-fn-) n. [OE *riſe*, cf. MDu. *rijs*, ON *riſr*]

Riff, a. & n. (Of) a Berber of the *Rif* district of Morocco. So ~IAN a. & n.

ri'fle, n. (In gold-washing) groove or slat set in the trough or sluice to catch the gold particles. [?]

ri'ff-ra'ff, n. The rabble, disreputable persons. [earlier *riſſ* & *raſſ* f. F *riſ* & *raſ*]

ri'fle¹, v.t. & i. 1. Search & rob, esp. of all that can be found in various pockets or storing-places; carry off as booty. 2. Make spiral grooves in (gun or its barrel or bore) to produce rotatory motion in projectile (p.p. of projectile, with projections fitting such grooves). 3. Shoot (t. & i.) with rifle. Hence *ri'fling*¹ n. [1 f. OF *riſſer* graze, scratch; 2 (from 1635) ult. f. same source, cf. LG *riſeln*, G *riefeln*, Da. *riſle*, Sw. *refſa*; 3 f. foll.]

ri'fle², n. 1. One of the grooves made in rifling a gun (obs.). 2. (Formerly ~gun) fire-arm with rifled barrel esp. one fired from shoulder; (pl.) troops armed with ~s. 3. ~bird, dark-green Australian bird; || R~ *Brigade*, regiment of British army; ~corps, of volunteer ~men; ~(-)green n. & a., (of) dark green as in ~man's uniform; ~GRENADE; ~man, soldier armed with ~, esp. member (R~man when prefixed = Private) of some ~regiments in British army, also = ~bird; ~pit, excavation as cover for ~men firing at enemy; ~range, distance ~ carries, place for ~practice; ~shot, distance ~ carries, good etc. ~marksman, shot fired with ~. [f. prec. 2]

rift, n., & v.t. 1. Cleft, fissure, chasm, in earth or rock; rent, crack, split in an object, opening in cloud etc. (*little ~ within the lute*, often fig. of incipient madness or dissension); ~valley, steep-sided formed by subsidence of earth's crust; hence ~LESS, ~Y¹, aa. 2. v.t. (Usu. in p.p.) rend apart, cleave. [f. Scand.; cf. Da. *riſt* a cleft, ON *ripta* to break (a bargain etc.)]

rig¹, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. 1. Provide (ship), (of ship) be provided, with necessary spars, ropes, etc., or ~g'ING¹(S) (-g-) n., prepare (t. & i.) for sea in this respect; assemble & adjust parts of (aircraft); fit (out, up, or rarely abe.) with or with clothes or other equipment; set up (structure) hastily or as makeshift or by

utilizing odd materials; ~*ging-loft*, gallery in dockyard for fitting ~ging, (Theatr.) space over stage from which scenery is worked. 2. n. Way ship's masts, sails, etc., are arranged, whence ~ged² (-gd) a.; (transf.) person's or thing's look as determined by clothes etc. (~up, -out, such accessories). [etym. dub.; cf. Norw. *rigga* bind up]

rig³, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Trick, dodge, way of swindling; (Commerc.) = CORNER. 2. v.t. Manage or conduct fraudulently (~ *the market*, cause artificial rise or fall in prices). [?]

Rig'a (or *rê-*), n. A port of the Baltic (~ *deal*, *hemp*, etc.; ~ *balsam*, essential oil distilled from kind of pine & used medicinally).

rigadoon', n. Lively dance for two persons; music for this dance. [F *rigaudon*]

riges'cent, a. Growing rigid, rather stiff. So ~ENCE n. [f. L *rigescere* (*rigère* be stiff, -ESCENT)]

rigg'er (-g-), n. In vbl senses (RIG^{1, 2}); also or esp. one who attends to the rigging of aircraft; (Mech.) band-wheel; = OUTFITTER; = THIMBLE-~; ~, ship rigged in specified way. [-ER¹]

right (rit), a., v.t. & i., n., & adv. 1. (arch.). Straight (now only in ~ *line*, ~*lined*). 2. (Of angle) neither acute nor obtuse, of 90°, made by lines meeting not obliquely but perpendicularly, (at ~ *angles*, turning or placed with such angle), whence ~angled² (-mgld) a.; involving ~ angle(s), not oblique, (~ *sailing*, due N., S., E., or W.; ~ *extension*; ~ *cone*, *cylinder*, *prism*, etc., with ends or base perpendicular to axis). 3. (Of conduct etc.) just, morally good, required by equity or duty, proper, (acted a ~ *part*; it is only ~ to tell you, that you should know), whence ~minded¹ a., ~mind'edness n. 4. Correct, true, (~ *use of words*; did not give a ~ *account of the matter*; your opinions are ~ *enough*); the preferable or most suitable, the less wrong or not wrong, (which is the ~ *way to --?*; the ~ *man in the ~ place*; does not do it the ~ *way*; the ~ *heir*; cf. *Mr. Miss, Rt-*, destined husband, wife; took the ~ *way to offend* us; a fault on the ~ *side*; the ~ *side of a fabric* etc., that meant for show or use; so ~ *side up*; on the ~ *side of forty* etc., not yet 40 years old). 5. In good or normal condition, sound, sane, satisfactory, well-advised, not mistaken, (in one's ~ *mind*, not mad etc.; is not ~ in his head; are you ~ now?, comfortable, recovered, etc.; all's ~ with the world; is as ~ as a *trivet*, as *rain*, etc., quite; set or put ~, restore to order, health, etc., also correct mistaken ideas of, also justify oneself usu. with person; get ~, bring or come into ~ *state*; ~, ~ you are, forms of approval, or, & so also all ~, || ~ oh! al., of assent to order or proposal), whence

|| ~EN² (rit-) v.t. (rare). 6. (arch.). Rightful, real, veritable, properly so called, (~ *whale*; ~ *cognac* etc.). 7. (Of position) having the relation to front & back that equinoctial sunrise has to north & south, on or towards that side of human body of which the hand is normally more used, on or towards that part of an object which is analogous to person's ~ *side* or (with opposite sense) which is nearer to spectator's ~ *hand*, (cf. LEFT¹; ~ *side*, *eye*, etc.; ~ *wing* or *flank* of army etc.; ~ *bank*, on ~ *side* of one looking down stream; ~ *centre*). 8. ~ & left: adv., to or on both sides, on all hands, as *the crowd divided*, *he was abused*, ~ & left; adj., with or of or to both hands or sides, as a ~ & left *shot*, with both barrels, ~ & left *screw*, with contrary threads at two ends; n., ~ & left *shot*, also pugilist's two blows in quick succession with different hands. 9. ~ *arm*, (fig.) one's most reliable helper. 10. ~ *hand*: hand of ~ *side*; this as the better hand, as *put one's ~ hand to the work*; this w. ref. to hand-shaking, as *give the ~ hand of fellowship*; region or direction on this side of person, as *at, on, to, one's ~ hand*; one's indispensable or chief assistant; ~hand, placed on the ~ *hand*; ~hand *man*, soldier on one's ~ *hand* in line, also assistant as above; ~hand *screw*, with thread turning to ~; ~handed, using ~ *hand* more than left; ~handed *blow* etc., struck with ~ *hand*; ~handed *tool* etc., made to suit ~ *hand*; ~handed *rotation* etc.; ~hander, ~handed blow or person. 11. ~ *turn*, into position at ~ *angles* with original one; ~about *turn* or *face*, ~ *turn* prolonged to rear (see ABOUT¹ for mil. use); ~about, = ~about *turn*, reversal of front, hurried retreat as in *send to the ~about*, send packing, also as v.t. & i. = reverse or make reverse front; hence ~NESS (rit-) n. 12. vb. Restore to proper or straight or vertical position (~ *helm*, put it amidships; boat ~s *herself*; could not ~ the boat, car); ~ oneself, recover balance, (of ship) recover vertical position. 13. Make reparation for or to, avenge, (wrong, wronged person); vindicate, justify, rehabilitate. 14. Correct (mistakes etc.), correct mistakes in, set in order, (often refl., as *that is a fault that will ~ itself*); hence ~ABLE (rit-) a. 15. n. What is just, fair treatment, (~ & might, ~ & wrong; do one ~, treat or think of him fairly; by ~ or now usu. ~s, if ~ were done; the ~, the juster cause, as *God defend the ~*; be in the ~, have justice or truth on one's side). 16. Justification, fair claim, being entitled to privilege or immunity, thing one is entitled to, (*has a, the, no, ~ to thing*, to do, of doing, of search etc.). ~ *divine* or DIVINE ~; *claims in ~ of his wife*; *reigns by ~ of worth*; *belongs to him of or by ~*; ~s & duties; woman's ~s, of equality with

men; ~ of way, ~ established by usage to pass over another's ground, also path subject to such ~; *Declaration or Bill of Rights*, || constitutional settlement of 1689; *assert or stand on one's ~s*, refuse to relinquish them; *peccress in her own ~*, not by marriage; *admiration is her ~*, whence ~LESS (rit-) a. 17. pl. ~ condition, true state, (set or put to ~s, arrange properly; *have not heard, do not know, the ~s of the case*). 18. ~hand part or region or direction (is on your or the, to the, ~; to, from, ~ & left; *work round the enemy's ~*); (Pol., usu. R~) conservative members of (orig. continental) parliament etc., whence ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS adv., (rit-). 19. adv. Straight (*wind was ~ behind us; go ~ on; went ~ at him; ~ off, away*, chiefly U.S., immediately, without pause). 20. All the way to, round, etc., completely off, out, etc., (*sank ~ to the bottom; veranda ~ round house; took gate ~ off hinges; turned ~ round*). 21. Exactly, quite, (~ in the middle). 22. Very, to the full, (*know ~ well; banqueted ~ royally; was ~ glad to hear; || ~ HONOURABLE, REVEREND; ~ down, thorough, -ly, as is a ~down scoundrel, was ~down sorry*). 23. Justly, properly, correctly, aright, truly, satisfactorily, (*whether they act ~ or wrong; does not hold his pen, do the sum, ~; serves him ~, is no worse than he deserves; nothing goes ~ with me; if I remember ~; guessed ~*). 24. To ~ hand (eyes ~, order to soldiers dressing; looks neither ~ nor left). [com.-Tent.; OE *riht* a. & n., *rihtan* v., *rihte* adv., cf. Du. & G *recht* etc., also L *rectus* DIRECT²]

righteous (rich'us), a. Just, upright, virtuous, law-abiding, (of person, life, action). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *rihtwis* (prec. n. + WISE a., or prec. a. + WISE n.) w. assim. to *bounleous* etc.]

right'ful (rit-), a. (Of actions etc.) equitable, fair; (of persons) legitimately entitled to position etc. (*the ~ king, heir, owner*), (of office, property, etc.) that one is entitled to. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

right'ly (rit-), adv. Justly, fairly, properly, correctly, accurately, justifiably. [-LY²]

rig'id, a. Not flexible, stiff, unyielding, (*a ~ bar, stem, frame, airship*); inflexible, harsh, strict, precise, punctilious, (~ justice, principles, Catholics, adherence to rules, economy). Hence or cogn. **rig'id'ity** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *rigidus* (as RIGOR)]

rig'marôle, n. Rambling or meaningless talk or tale; (attrib.) incoherent. [prob. f. obs. *ragman roll*=catalogue, etym. dub.]

rig'or, n. (path.). Sudden chill with shivering before fever etc.; ~ *môr'tis*, stiffening of body after death. [L (*rigère* be stiff, -OR¹)]

rig'our (-ger), n. Severity, strictness, harshness, (pl.) harsh measures; strict enforcement of rules etc. (*with the utmost*

~ of the law); extremity or excess of weather, hardship, famine, etc., great distress; austerity of life, Puritanic strictness of observance or doctrine, so **rig'orism**(3), **rig'orist**(2), nn.; logical accuracy, exactitude. So **rig'orously** a., **rig'orously**² adv. [OF, f. L (prec.)]

riks'dag (-z), n. Danish Parliament. [Da.]

Rig-ve'da (-vâ-), n. The chief VEDA. [f. Skr. *rigveda* (ric praise)]

riks'dag, n. Swedish parliament. [Sw.]

rile, v.t. (sl.). Raise anger in, irritate. [var. of obs. & U.S. *roil* make muddy, cf. obs. f. *ruiler* mix mortar]

ritte'vå (rilyâ-), n. = RELIEF², RELIEVO. [It.]

rill, n., & v.t. 1. Small stream, runnel, rivulet; hence ~ET¹ n. 2. v.t. Issue or flow as ~. [cf. Du. *rîl*, G *rîel*]

rille, n. (astron.). Trench or narrow valley of moon's surface. [G (prec.)]

rillëtts, -ëttes (-ëts), n. pl. Preparation of minced ham, chicken, fat, etc. [F (-es)]

rim¹, n., & v.t. (-mm-). 1. Outer ring of wheel's framework, not including tire; frame of sieve; (poet.) circular object (*golden ~, crown*); (Naut.) surface of the water; raised edge or border, margin, verge, esp. of something more or less circular; ~-brake, acting on ~ of wheel; hence ~LESS, (-)MED² (-md), aa. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~, serve as ~ to, edge, border. [OE *rima*, cf. ON *rime* ridge]

|| **rim**², n. (arch.). ~ (of the belly), pectineum. [OE *réoma*, cf. Du. *riem*, G *riemen*, strap]

rim¹, n., & v.t. & i. = RHYME¹, ². [earlier *rimc* (RHYME) was corrected c. 1500 to RHYTHM, which served for senses *rhythm* & *rhyme* till *rhyme* was established c. 1700 as different.; obs. *rime* was revived c. 1870 & is often used by writers on prosody & literature]

rim², n., & v.t. (chiefly poet.). 1. Hoarfrost; hence **rim'y**² a. 2. v.t. Cover with ~. [OE & ON *hrim*, cf. Du. *rijm*]

rim'er, n. = REAM'er. [dial. *rime* var. of REAM², -ER¹]

Rimm'on, n. Ancient deity worshipped at Damascus (*bow down in the house of ~*, compromise one's convictions). [2 Kings v. 18]

rim'ose, **rim'ous**, aa. (bot. etc.). Full of chinks or fissures. [f. L *rimosus* (*rima* chink, -OSE¹), -OUS]

ring, n., & v.t. Bark of tree or plant (vb. strip ~ from); peel of fruit or vegetable; harder enclosing surface of cheese or other substance; skin of bacon etc.; external aspect, surface. Hence ~ED² a. [OE, cf. Du. *run*, G *rinde*]

rin'derpäst, n. Disease of ruminants esp. oxen, cattle-plague. [G (*rinder* pl. of *rind* ox)]

ring¹, n., & v.t. & t. 1. Circlet usu. of precious metal & often set with gem(s) worn round finger as ornament or token

(esp. of betrothal or marriage) or signet, or (usu. *nose, arm, etc.*, ~) hung to or encircling other part of body. 2. Circular appliance of any material & any (but esp., cf. *hoop*, no great) size. 3. Raised or sunk or otherwise distinguishable line or band round, rim of, cylindrical or circular object. 4. Circular fold, coil, bend, structure, part, or mark (~s of tree, concentric bands of wood corresponding in number to tree's years; *has livid ~s round his eyes; puffing out ~s of smoke*; ~s in water, circular ripples expanding from centre of agitation). 5. Persons, trees, etc., disposed in a circle, such disposition; (Comm. etc.) combination of traders or politicians acting together for control of market or policy. 6. Circular enclosure or space for circus-riding, prize-fighting (PRIZE~), betting at races (*the ~, bookmakers*), showing of cattle, etc. 7. Circular or spiral course (*make ~s round*, go or do things incomparably quicker than). 8. ~bark v.t., cut ~ in bark of (tree) to kill it or to check its growth & bring it into bearing; ~bolt, bolt with ~ attached for fastening rope to etc.; ~bone, (horse-disease with) deposit of bony matter on pastern-bones; ~cartilage, CRICOID; ~dove, wood-pigeon; ~fence, completely enclosing estate etc.; ~finger, third esp. of left hand; ~goal, game in which light hoop is thrown towards goal with sticks; ~hunt, in which beasts are driven inwards by ~ of fire; ~leader, (one of) chief instigator(s) in mutiny, riot, etc.; ~lock, opened by right adjustment of several grooved ~s; ~man, bookmaker; ~master, manager of circus performance; ~neck, ~necked plover or duck; ~necked, with band(s) of colour round neck; ~net, kind of salmon net, also of lace; ~ouzel, kind of bird allied to black-bird; ~snake, common European grass-snake (from coiling); ~stand, for keeping finger~s on; ~straked (Bibl.), marked with ~s of colour round body; ~tail, female of hen-harrier, also golden eagle till its third year, also ~-tailed opossum or phalanger; ~tailed, with tail ~ed in alternate colours, also (of phalanger) with tail curled at end; ~taw, game with marbles in ~; ~wall, as ~fence; ~worm, skin-disease esp. of children in circular patches; hence (-)~ED² (-ngd), ~LESS, aa. 9. vb. (Of hawk etc.) rise in spirals; (of hunted fox) take circular course. 10. Encompass (usu. *round, about, in*; often in p.p.), hem in (game, cattle) by riding or beating in circle round them. 11. Put ~ upon, put ~ in nose of (pig, bull), (~the-bull, game with ~ to be thrown or swung on to hook). 12. ~bark above. 13. Cut (onions, apples) into ~s. [com.-Tent.; OE *hring*, cf. ON *hringr*, Du. & G *ring*]

ring¹, v.i. & t. (*rang*, now rarely *rung*; *rung*), & n. 1. Give forth clear resonant sound (as) of vibrating metal (*bell, trumpet, coin, sound, ~s*, often out etc.; *with a ~ing laugh; a shot rang out; a ~ing frost*, in which ground ~s under foot; ~ *true, false*, of coin tested by throwing on counter, & fig. of sentiments etc.); (of bell) ~ *to or for* prayers, dinner, etc., convey summons by ~ing. 2. (Of place) resound, re-echo, (*with sound, to sound or its cause, with fame etc. or its theme, with talk of; often again*). 3. (Of utterance or other sound) ~ *in one's ears, heart, etc.*, linger in one's hearing, haunt the memory. 4. (Of ears) be filled with sensation as of bell-~ing (*so has a ~ing in the ears*) or with sound. 5. Make (bell) ~ (~ *the bell*, esp. as summons to servant; ~ *the bell* (colloq.), be successful [from use of bell in machines for testing strength or skill], (also) strike a sympathetic note; ~ *up bell*, raise church bell over beam & ~ it there; ~ing *engine*, pile-driver worked by ropes like peal of bells); throw (coin) on counter to test it. 6. ~ bell as summons (~ *at door*, to get admittance etc.; ~ *for servant, coffee, one's boots, etc.*; *did you ~, sir?*). 7. Sound (peal, knell, BOB⁴ *major, the CHANGE's*) on bells (or with bell or bells as subj.); ~ *the knell* of, announce or herald abolition etc. of). 8. Announce (hour etc.) by sound of bell(s). 9. Summon up etc. by ~ing bell (~ *up* on telephone, get or seek communication with; ~ *off*, terminate telephone interview; ~ *curtain up or down* in theatre, direct it by bell to be raised or lowered). 10. Usher in, out, with bell-~ing. 11. n. Set of (church) bells. 12. ~ing sound, ~ing tone in voice etc., resonance of coin or vessel. 13. Act of ~ing bell, sound so produced, (*three ~s for the hall porter; give bell a ~; heard a loud ~ at the door*); call on the telephone (*give me a ~*). [OE *hringan*, cf. ON *hringja*, G *ringen*, perh. imit.]

ring² (-j), a. Gaping, grinning, (esp. bot. of wide labiate corolla). [as RICTUS, -ENT]

ring³, n. 1. Quoit that falls round pin; fox that runs in ring when hunted. 2. Bell-~; device for ringing bell. [RING¹, -EE¹]

ring⁴, n. 1. (rare). Small ring, fairy ring on grass, ring-shaped mark etc. 2. Curly lock of hair, curl, whence ~ED², ~Y², aa. [-LET]

rink, n., & v.i. 1. Stretch of ice used for game of curling; sheet of natural or artificial ice, floor, for (roller-)skating. 2. v.i. Skate on ~ esp. with roller-skates, whence ~ER¹ n. [earlier sense *fouling-ground*; from 14th c.; prob. f. OF *renc RANK*¹]

rinse, v.t., & n. 1. Wash out or out (vessel, mouth) by filling with water etc., shaking, & emptying; pour liquid over or wash

lightly; put (clothes) through clean water to remove soap; clear (impurities) out or away by rinsing; wash (food) down with liquor. 2. n. Rinsing (*give it a ~*). [f. *F. rincer*, OF *raincer* perh. = med. L *re(sincere)* f. *sincerus* pure], RE-8]

ri'ot, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Loose living, debauchery. 2. Loud revelry, a revel; unrestrained indulgence in or display or enjoyment of something (*a ~ of emotion, colour, sound*). 3. (Hunt.) following of any scent indiscriminately (*run ~*, orig. of hounds doing this, now usu. fig. of person or his tongue or fancy throwing off all restraint). 4. Disorder, tumult, disturbance of the peace, outbreak of lawlessness, on part of a crowd || (*R ~ Act*, by which persons not dispersing after official reading of part of it incur guilt of felony; *read the R ~ Act*, lit., & joc. of parent etc. announcing that noise etc. is to cease); hence or cogn. ~OUS a., ~OUSLY³ adv., ~OUSNESS, (rare) ~RY(2), nn. 5. vb. Live wantonly, revel. 6. Throw away (time, money), wear out (life), in dissipation. 7. Make or engage in a political ~ or offence against the R ~ Act, whence ~ER⁴(4) n. [f. Ol' *riote(r)*, cf. Pr. *riota*, It. *riotta*, etym. dub.]

rip¹, n. Worthless horse, screw; dissolute person, rako. [perh. var. of *RE*³]

rip², v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Out or tear (thing) quickly or forcibly away from something (*~ out the lining; ~ the boards off*); make long cut or tear in, cut or tear vigorously apart (often up; *had his belly ~ped up*). 2. Split (wood, rock), saw (wood) with the grain (*~ saw*, used thus). 3. Strip (roof) of tiles or slates & laths. 4. Make (fissure, passage) by ~ping. 5. Open up (wound, quarrel, sorrow, the past) again. 6. Come violently asunder, split (intr.). 7. Rush along (of ship, & transf.; *so let her ~*, do not check speed or interfere). 8. || (part.; sl.; cf. *rattling*). Fine, splendid, enjoyable, first-rate, (also as adv. with good etc., as a ~ping good time), whence ~pingLY³ adv. 9. ~cord (Aeron.), cord for releasing parachute from its pack. 10. n. Act of ~ping; long tear or cut. [cf. Fris. *rippe*]

rip³, n. Stretch of broken water in sea or river, overfall. [perh. f. prec.]

ripā'ian, a. & n. 1. Of, on, river-bank (esp. ~ proprietor, rights). 2. n. ~ proprietor. [L *riparius* (*ripa* bank, -ARY) + -AN]

ripe, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Ready to be reaped, gathered, eaten, drunk, used, or dealt with, fully developed, mellow, mature, prepared or able to undergo something, in fit state for, (*~ corn, fruit, cheese, wine, seed; ~ lips, red & full like ~ fruit; ~ beauty, ~ of grown woman; ~ scholar, scholarship, judgement, experience, understanding; die at ~ age, old; persons of ~ years*, not immature; *opportunity ~*

to be seized; is ~ to hear the truth; mood or person, plan, disease. ~ for mischief, execution, treatment; soon ~ soon rotten, prov. depreciating precocity); hence **rip'ER**² v.t. & i., ~LY² (-pl-) adv., ~NESS (-pn-) n. 2. vb. (chiefly poet.). = ~n. [OE *ripe*, cf. Du. *rijp*, G *reif*]

ripōste², n., & v.i. 1. Quick return thrust in fencing; (transf.) counterstroke, retort. 2. v.i. Deliver ~. [F. f. It. *risposta* RESPONSE]

ripp'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: tool for ripping roof; rip-saw; (sl.) ripping person or thing. [-ER¹]

rip'ple¹, n., & v.t. 1. Toothed implement used to clear away seeds from flax. 2. v.t. Treat with ~. [cf. Du. *repe(ren)*, G *riffel(n)*]

rip'ple², n., & v.i. & t. 1. Ruffling of water's surface, small wave(s); wavy or crinkled appearance in hair, ribbons, etc.; gentle lively sound that rises & falls (esp. a ~ of conversation); ~-cloth, soft woollen washing fabric with ~d surface used for dressing-gowns etc.; ~-mark, ridge, ridged surface, left on sand or mud or rock by water or wind; hence **ripp'let**¹ n., **ripp'ly**² a. 2. vb. Form, flow in, show, agitate or mark with, sound like, ~s. [vb found earlier than n.; etym. dub.; cf. *RI*³ (found later), -LE(3)]

Ripūār'ian, a. Of the ancient Franks living on Rhine between Meuse & Moselle (esp. ~ law, code observed by them). [f. med. L *Ripuarius* (perh. irreg. f. L *ripa* bank) + -AN]

Rip vān Winkle (wing'kl), n. Person of utterly antiquated ideas or information. [hero of tale by W. Irving who slept 20 years]

rise¹ (-z), v.i. & t. (*rose* pr. rōz; ~n pr. ri'zn; p.p., see -ED⁴(2), often with is etc.). 1. Get up from lying or sitting or kneeling position, get out of bed, (of meeting etc.) cease to sit for business, recover standing or upright position, become erect, leave ground, come to life again or usu. again or from the dead, (~from table, leave meal; *all rose to receive him; house, i.e. theatre audience, ~s at actress etc.*, in universal applause; *found he could not, was too weak to, ~; ~, Sir Thomas etc.*, formula in knighting; ~ betimes, at 5.0 a.m., with the lark; ~ up early; *Parliament will ~ next week; fell never to ~ again; the hair rose on his head; horse ~s on its hind-legs; horse ~s to a fence, takes off for leap; birds ~ well today*). 2. Cease to be quiet, abandon submission, make revolt, (*if a wind should ~; ~ in arms, rebellion, etc.*, against oppression, oppressor; *town rose on its garrison; gorge, stomach, ~s, indignation or disgust is felt; my whole soul ~s against it, finds it intolerable*). 3. Come or go up, grow upwards, ascend, mount, soar, project or swell upwards, become higher, reach higher position or level or

amount, increase, incline upwards, come to surface, become or be visible above or above surroundings, develop greater energy or intensity, be progressive, (*sun, star, morning, dawn, ~s; the ~n sun; rising* cupboard, kitchen lift; *the rising generation*, the young; *smoke ~s straight up; tree ~s 20 ft.* attains that height; *fabric rose like a dream; blisters ~, form; bread will not ~, swell with yeast; balloon ~s; should ~ above petty jealousies*, be superior to; *picture, idea, ~s before the mind; river, tide, flood, level, rose 6 ft, is rising; the mercury, barometer or glass, is rising; spirits ~, become more cheerful; prices, demands, ~; a rising lawyer; a man likely to ~; ~ in the world, attain higher social position; ~ to greatness; rising ground, sloping up; in a rising series; ~s in a gentle curve; the interest ~s with each act; bubbles ~; fish ~s, comes to surface to feed; drowning man ~s three times; in the foreground ~s a castle; does not ~ above mediocrity; the wind is rising; her colour rose, became brighter or deeper; || rising 5, 14, getting on for that age). 4. Develop powers equal to (does not ~ to an occasion; rose to the emergency, requirements, etc.). 5. Have origin, begin to be, flow, from, in, at, etc. (*river ~s from a spring, in the Grampians, etc.; earth & heaven rose at His word; the difficulty ~s from misapprehension*). 6. (rare, usu. poet.). Arise (a feud, rumour, rose). 7. (Causative in spec. senses) make or see ~ (did not ~ a fish, a bird, all day; ~ ship, see it appear from top downwards in approaching it). [com.-Teut.; OE *risan* (usu. *arisan* ARISE), cf. Du. *rijzen*, G (of sun) *reisen*]*

rise² (-z), n. 1. Coming up of sun etc. (rare; at ~ of sun, day; cf. *sun~* etc.). 2. Ascent, upward slope, knoll, hill, (came to a ~ in the road; chapel stands on a ~). 3. Social advancement, upward progress, increase in power, rank, value, price, amount, height, pitch, || wages, etc., (has had a ~ in life; the ~ & fall of statesmen; the ~ of the tide is 30 ft; || asks for a ~, higher wages; prices are on the ~, increasing). 4. Movement of fish to surface (not a sign of a ~; fig., get or take a ~ out of one, draw him into display of temper or other foible). 5. Vertical height of step, arch, incline, etc., (also *ris'er*¹ (-z) n. f. prec.) vertical piece connecting two treads of staircase. 6. Origin, start, (has, takes, its ~ in, from; give ~ to, occasion, suggest). [f. prec.]

risible (-z), a. Inclined to laugh, so *risible* (-z) n.; of laughter (~ nerves, faculties, etc.); (rare) risible, ludicrous. [f. LL *risibilis* (*ridere* ris- laugh, -IBLE)]

rising (-z), n. In vbl senses; esp.: ~ (-again), resurrection; insurrection, revolt; boil, pimple. [-ING¹]

risk, n., & v.t. 1. Hazard, chance of or of

bad consequences, loss, etc., exposure to mischance, (there is the ~ of his catching cold; *run ~s, a ~, the ~*, often of, expose oneself or be exposed to loss etc.; *take ~s* etc., expose oneself so; at the ~ of his life; at owner's etc., he to bear any contingent loss); ~money, allowance to cashier to cover accidental deficits; hence ~FUT, ~LESS, aa. 2. v.t. Expose to chance of injury or loss; venture on, take the chances of, (~ the jump, a battle, a sprained ankle). [f. F *risque*(r) f. It. *risco* n., *risicare* v., etym. dub.]

ris'kily, a. 1. Hazardous, full of risk. 2. (Also, & after, F *risqué* pr. *ris'kà*) involving suggestion of indecency, offending against propriety, (of story, dramatic situation, etc.). Hence ~ily² adv., ~INNESS n. [-Y²]

risött'ō (rū-), n. Stew made with rice, chicken, onions, etc. [It.]

risqué. See RISKY.

riss'ōle, n. Fried ball or cake of meat or fish mixed with bread-crumbs etc. [F, perh. ult. f. L *ruscolus* reddish]

ritardān'dō (rū-), mus. direction. Slower. [It.]

rite, n. (Form of procedure, action required or usual, in) a religious or solemn ceremony or observance (the ~s of hospitality; the ~ of confirmation; burial or funeral ~s; conjugal or nuptial ~s, sexual intercourse between husband & wife; the Latin, Anglican, etc., ~, body of usages characteristic of a Church). Hence ~LESS (-l-) a. [f. L *ritus* -ūs]

rit'ual, a. & n. 1. Of, with, consisting in, involving, religious rites; hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. Prescribed order of performing religious service; book containing this; performance of ~ acts, whence (w. implication of excess) ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv., ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t. [f. L *ritualis* (prec., -AL)]

riv'age, n. (poet.). Coast, shore, bank. [F (OF *riee* f. L *ripa* bank, -AGE)]

riv'al, n., attrib. a., & v.t. & i. (-l-). 1. Person's competitor for some prize (esp. a woman's or man's love) or in some pursuit or quality (also of things; without a ~, unapproached for excellence etc.); hence ~RY(2, 4), ~SHIP, nn. 2. adj. That is a ~ or are ~s. 3. vb. Vie with, be comparable to, seem or claim to be as good etc. as; (rare) be in ~ry. [f. L *rivalis* (*riens* stream, -AL) orig.=on same stream]

rive, v.t. & i. (~d; ~n pr. *ri'vū*, rarely ~d). Rend, cleave, wrench away or off or from, strike asunder, (arch., poet.); (of artisan) split (wood, stone), make (lathe) by splitting, whence *riv'er*¹ [-ER¹(1)] n.; be split, gape under blow etc., (of wood etc.) admit of splitting. [f. ON *rifa* perh. cogn. w. G *reihen* rub]

|| **riv'el**, v.i. & t. (arch.; -ll-). Wrinkle, crumple, shrivel. [prob. back formation

f. rivelled, OE *rifeled* perh. *f. +rifel* a fold + -ED¹]

riven. See **RIVE**.

riv'er, n. (for *river*! see **RIVE**). Copious stream of water flowing in channel to sea or lake or marsh or another ~ (|| *the* ~ often prefixed to name, as *the* ~ *Thames*); *the* boundary between life & death; copious flow or stream of (*a* ~ of lava; ~s of blood, much bloodshed); (attrib., prefixed to many names of animals, plants, & things) living in, situated or used on, ~(s); ~BED¹(2); ~god, mythological being dwelling in & personifying a ~; ~horse, hippopotamus; ~side, ground along ~'s bank (often attrib., as *a* ~side villa). Hence (-)~ED¹ (-erd), ~LESS, aa. [f. OF *river* f. pop. L ¹*riparia* (L *ripa* bank, -ARY¹)]

riv'erain, a. & n. 1. Of river or its neighbourhood; situated, dwelling, by river. 2. n. Person dwelling by river. [F *riverain* as prec., -AN]

riverine, a. Of, on, river or its banks, riparian. [-INE¹]

riv'et, n., & v.t. 1. Nail or bolt for holding together metal plates etc., its headless end being beaten out or pressed down after passing through two holes. 2. v.t. Clinch (bolt); join or fasten with ~s (*together, down, to, into*, on adv. or prep., etc.); fix, make immovable, (~ *error* etc.); concentrate, direct intently, (eyes, attention, etc., *upon*); engross (attention), engross attention of; hence ~ER¹(1, 2) n. [vb f. n., OF (*river* clinch, etym. dub.)]

riv'ière (-iär, or rëvyär'), n. Gem necklace, esp. of more than one string. [F, as **RIVER**²]

riv'ulet, n. 1. Small stream. 2. Kinds of moth. [perh. f. It. *rivoletto* (L *rivus* stream, -UL-, -ER¹)]

rix'dóllar, n. (hist.). Silver coin & money of account (4/6-2/3) of 16th-19th cc. in some continental States. [f. Du. *rijksdaler*, cf. G *reichstaler*, see (**BISHOP**)*ric*, DOLLAR]

roach¹, n. Small freshwater fish allied to carp (*sound* as *a* ~, in frstrate health etc.); ~backed, ~bellied (convex in profile). [f. OF *roche* etym. dub.]

roach², n. (naut.). Upward curve in foot of square sail. [?]

roach³, n. = COCKROACH. [abbr.]

road¹, n. 1. (Usu. pl.; also ~stead) piece of water near shore in which ships can ride at anchor. 2. Line of communication between places for use of foot-passengers, riders, & vehicles (*on the* ~, travelling; *take the* ~, set out; *the* ~, the highway; || *take to the* ~ arch., become highwayman; *rule of the* ~, custom regulating side to be taken by philes, riders, or ships, meeting or passing each other). 3. Way of getting to (the ~ to York, ruin, success; *road* ~ to, way of attaining without

trouble). 4. One's way or route (*in the*, *my*, etc., ~, colloq., obstructing someone or something; *so get out of the*, *my*, etc., ~). 5. ~book, describing ~s of country etc., itinerary; ~fund (for construction & maintenance of ~s & bridges); ~hog, reckless or inconsiderate motorist or cyclist; ~house, inn on main ~ in country district; ~man (repairing ~s); ~metal, broken stone for ~making; ~sense, capacity for safe handling of vehicles on the ~; ~side, border of ~ (esp. attrib., as ~side plants, inn); ~way, ~, central part of ~ (opp. *side-path*), part of bridge or railway used for traffic; ~worthy, fit to be used on the ~, (of person) fit to travel. Hence (-)~ED², ~LESS, aa. [OE *rið* (*ridan* **RIDE**)]

road², v.t. (Of dog) follow up (game-bird, or abs.) by foot-scent. [?]

road'ster, n. Ship at anchor in roadstead; horse, bicycle, etc., for use on the road; experienced traveller. [-STER]

roam, v.i. & t., & n. Ramble (v., & rarely n. as *a half-hour's* ~), wander; walk or travel unsystematically over or through or about (country, seas, etc.). [?]

roan¹, a. & n. 1. (Of animal) with coat of which the prevailing colour is thickly interspersed with another, esp. bay or sorrel or chestnut mixed with white or grey (often with chief colour prefixed, as *black, blue, red*, ~). 2. n. ~ horse, cow. [OF, cf. Fr. *rouan*, It. & Sp. *roano*]

roan², n. Soft sheepskin leather used in bookbinding as substitute for morocco. [perh. f. *Rouen* in France]

roar (rör), v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Utter, send forth) loud deep hoarse sound (as) of lion, person or company in pain or rage or loud laughter, the sea, thunder, cannon, furnace, etc. (*the* ~ of the waves; ~s of laughter; lions ~ing after their prey; ~ed with pain or laughter or for mercy; you need not ~, talk so loud; set table in a ~, make company laugh loud). 2. (Of horse) make loud noise in breathing due to disease, whence ~ER¹, ~ING¹, (rör-), nn. 3. (Of place) be full of din, re-echo, (often again). 4. Say, sing, utter, (words, chorus, oath, etc., often out) in loud tone. 5. Make deaf, hoarse, etc., put down, by ~ing. 6. (part.). Riotous, noisy, boisterous, brisk, (*a* ~ing night, stormy, also spent in revelry; *a* ~ing blade, arch., fast liver; *the* ~ing game, curling; ~ing forties, see **FORTY**; in ~ing health; drive a ~ing trade). [n. f. vb, OE *rarian*, cf. LG *raren*, G *rehren*, prob. imit.]

roast, v.t. & i. (p.p. in vb forms ~ed, as adj. ~), & n. 1. Cook (esp. meat) by exposure to open fire or now usually in oven (*prefers* ~ beef, his meat ~ed); heat or calcine (ore) in furnace; heat (coffee-beans) as preparation for grinding; expose (victim for torture, oneself or some part for warmth) to fire; ridicule,

banter, chaff; undergo ~ing; (part.) very hot; ~ing-jack, appliance keeping meat in motion while ~ing. 2. n. ~ meat or a dish of it (*rule the ~*, be master); operation ~ing. [n. partly f. OF *roast*, partly f. vb. f. OF *roastir* f. Teut. (OHG *rôsten* f. *rôst* gridiron)]

roast'er, n. In vb senses; esp.: kind of oven for roasting; ore-roasting furnace; coffee-roasting apparatus; pig, potato, etc., fit for roasting. [-ER¹]

rôb, v.t. (-bb-). Despoil (person etc.) of or of property by violence, feloniously plunder (person, place, often of), deprive of what is due, (~ PETER); (abs.) commit ~bery. So ~b'er [-ER¹, -ER²(4)], ~b'ERY(2, 4), nn. [f. OF *rob(b)er* f. Teut. (REAVE)]

rôbe, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Any long loose outer garment (rare, poet., metaph.); (trade name of) kind of lady's dress in one piece; outer garment of baby in long-clothes; (often pl.) longer outer garment worn as indication of wearer's rank, office, profession, etc., gown, vestment, (*the long ~*, legal or clerical dress; *gentlemen of the ~*, lawyers); ~de-chambre (F, see Ap.), dressing-gown, wrapper. 2. vb. Invest (person) in ~, dress; assume one's ~s or vestments. [OF, conn. w. prec., orig. sense *body*]

|| **Rôb'ert**, n. (colloq.). A policeman. [see BOBBY]

rôb'in, R-, n. (Also ~ *redbreast*) small red-breasted bird; (with or without distinctive epithet) kinds of Amer., Colonial, & Indian bird; ~, ~s, in plant names, as || *R~run-the-hedge*, ground-ivy, || ~s-eye, herb-Robert; *R~ Goodfellow*, a sportive goblin; *R~ Hood*, (type of) medieval forest outlaw; ROUND¹ ~. [OF, fam. for *Robert*]

rôb'orant, a. & n. (med.). Strengthening (drug). [L *roboreare* (*robur* -oris strength), -ANT]

rôb'ôt, n. 1. An apparently human automaton, an intelligent & obedient but impersonal machine; (transf.) machine-like person. 2. Automatic traffic signal. 3. Flying bomb. [term in Capek's play *R.U.R.*; cf. Pol. *robotnik* workman]

rôb'urite (-ber-), n. A strong flameless explosive. [L *robur* strength, -ITE²(2)]

robûst', a. (-er, ~est). Of strong health & physique, not slender or delicate or weakly, (of persons, animals, plants, body, health, etc.); (of exercise, discipline, etc.) tending to or requiring strength, invigorating, vigorous; (of intellect etc.) sensible, straightforward, not given to nor confused by subtleties. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *robustus* (*robur* strength)]

robûs'tious, a. Boisterous, self-assertive, noisy. [earlier in common use = prec.; now chiefly v. ref. to *Hamlet* III. ii. 10]

rôc, n. Gigantic bird of Eastern tales. [f. Arab. *rokh*]

rôc'ambôle, n. Kind of leek, Spanish garlic. [F, etym. dub.]

rôch'êt, n. Surplice-like vestment used chiefly by bishops & abbots. [OF, f. Teut. (G rock coat)]

rôck¹, n. 1. Solid part of earth's crust underlying soil (*dug down to the living ~*; often *bed~*; *built, founded, on the ~*, lit., & fig., secure; *R~ of ages*, Christ); mass of this projecting & forming a hill, cliff, etc., or standing up into or out of sea etc. from bottom (*the R~*, Gibraltar; *run upon the ~s*, see ~s ahead, etc., of lit. or fig. shipwreck or danger of it; *on the ~s*, sl., hard up; ~ of water etc., ref. to *Numb.* XX. 11). 2. Stone as a substance (*a mass, needle, of ~*); large detached stone, boulder; (Geol.) any particular igneous or stratified mineral constituent of earth's crust including sands, clays, etc. 3. Kinds of hard sweetmeat (usu. *almond* etc.). 4. (Also *blue ~*) = ~pigeon. 5. ~bed, base of ~, rocky bottom; ~bird, esp. puffin; ~bottom, (colloq., of prices etc.) very lowest; ~cake, bun with hard rough surface; ~cork, variety of asbestos; ~crystal, transparent colourless silica or quartz usu. in hexagonal prisms; ~dove, ~pigeon; ~drill, ~boring tool or machine; ~English, mixed language of Gibraltar; ~fever, kind of enteric prevalent at Gibraltar; ~flash, kinds of goby, bass, wrasse, etc.; ~garden, artificial mound or bank of stones with ~plants etc. planted in the interstices, garden in which ~eries are the chief feature; ~goal, ibex; ~hearn, cut out of the ~; ~leather, as ~cork; ~ling [-LING¹], kinds of fish esp. sea-loach; ~oil, native naphtha; ~paper, as ~cork; ~pigeon, kind of dove haunting ~s & supposed source of domestic pigeon; ~rabbit, hyrax; ~ribbed, (of earth, coast, etc.) with ribs of ~; ~rose, kinds of cistus with yellow, rose, or salmon flowers; ~salmon, (trade name for) dogfish; ~salt, found stratified in free state; *R~ scorpion*, (nickname for) person born at Gibraltar; ~silk, as ~cork; ~sucker, sea lamprey; ~tar, petroleum; ~whistler, Alpine marmot; ~wood, as ~cork; ~work or ~ERY(3) n., pile of rough stones with soil in interstices for growing ferns etc. on, also natural group or display of ~s. Hence ~LESS, ~LIKE, aa., ~LET n. [f. OF *roke*, *roque*, *roche*, etym. dub.]

rôck², n. (hist.). Distaff. [cf. Du. *rok(ken)*, G *rocken*, It. *rocca*]

rôck³, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Move (t. & i.) gently to & fro (as) in cradle, set or keep (cradle etc.) or (of cradle etc.) be in such motion, (~ *him to sleep*; *skip ~ing on*, ~ed by, the waves; *sat ~ing himself or ~ing in his chair*; ~ed in security, hopes, etc.); (Gold-min.) work (CRADLE), work, cradle, shake in cradle; sway (t. & i.) from side to side, shake, oscillate, reel, (earthquake

~s house, house ~s, a ~ing gait). 2. ~'ing-chair, mounted on rockers, or with seat arranged to ~; ~'ing-horse, wooden horse on rockers for child; ~ing-stone, poised boulder easily ~ed; ~'ing-turn in skating, from any edge to end in opposite direction with body revolving away from convex of first curve (counter~ing-turn or ~rocker or counter, same turn with body revolving away from concave); ~shaft, that oscillates about axis without making complete revolutions; ~staff, part of apparatus working smith's bellows. 3. n. ~ing motion, spoll of ~ing. [OE *roccian*; cf. Du. *rukken*, G *rücken*, tsg.]

rock'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: one of the curved bars on which cradle etc. rocks (off one's ~, sl., crazy); gold-miner's cradle; skate with highly curved blade; (Skat.) ~, counter~ = (counter-) ROCK² ing-turn. [ROCK², -ER¹]

rock'et¹, n. Kinds of plant of which some are used as salad & some grown for flowers (*Garden, Roman*, etc., ~; *R-gentle*; *Base* ~, wild mignonette; *Blue* ~, kinds of wolfsbane & larkspur, also blue-bell). [f. F *roquette* f. It. *ruchetta* (ruca f. L *eruca*, -ETTE)]

rock'et², n., & v.t. & i. 1. Cylindrical paper or metal case that can be projected to height or distance by ignition of contents, used in firework displays, for signalling, to carry line to ship in distress, etc.; projectile containing its own propellant & depending for its flight on the reaction set up by a continuous jet of rapidly expanding gases released in the propellant by ignition (e.g. of cordite) or by the mixture of two liquids (e.g. alcohol & liquid air). 2. vb. Bombard with ~s; (of horse or its rider) bound upwards or dart like ~; (of prices etc.) rise steeply; (of pheasant etc.) fly straight upwards, fly fast & high, whence ~ER¹ n. [f. F *roquet* or It. *rocchetta* (rocca ROCK², w. ref. to cylindrical shape), -ETTE]

rock'/j/, a., & n. (pl.). 1. Of rock, full of or abounding in rocks, (the *R~y Mountains*, or as n. the *R~ies*, western N.-Amer. range); like rock in ruggedness, firmness, solidity, etc. 2. (rare). Unsteady, tottering. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [ROCK¹, -Y²]

rocôc'o, a. & n. 1. Of a style of art prevalent in Europe c. 1730-80. 2. (Of furniture, architecture, etc., also of literary style) highly ornamented, florid. 3. (obs.). Antiquated, out of date. 4. n. The ~ style of art. [F, perh. f. *rocaille* pebble-work]

rod, n. 1. Slender straight round stick growing as shoot on tree or cut from it or made from wood, switch, wand, (occas. as symbol of office etc., see esp. BLACK¹ ~; AARON'S-ROD; *döwning, dowsing*, ~, see DOWSING). 2. Such stick, or bundle of twigs, for use in caning or flogging (the ~,

use of this; spare the ~ & spoil the child; make etc. a ~ for one's own back, prepare trouble for oneself; kiss the ~, take punishment meekly or gladly; have a ~ in pickle for, be ready to punish when time comes). 3. = FISH¹ ing~. 4. (Also ~man & ~STER n.) angler. 5. (As measure) = PERCH². 6. Slender metal bar, connecting bar, shaft, (curtain, piston, etc., ~). 7. (Physiol.) ~shaped ture. Hence ~LESS, ~LIKE, aa., ~LET n. [OE *rodd*, cf. ON *rudda* club]

rode. See RIDE.

rod'ent, a. & n. 1. (Animal) of the order *Rodentia* with strong incisor & no teeth, whence **rodén'tial** (-shl) a. 2. Gnawing (esp. in Path. of ulcers). [f. L *rodere* ros-gnaw]

rod'e'o (-däo), n. A round-up of cattle on a western American range for branding etc., enclosure for this; exhibition of cowboys' skill; (transf.) exhibition of motor-cycle feats etc. [Sp. f. *rodear* go round]

rodomontäd'e, n., a., & v.i. 1. Boastful, bragging, (saying or talk). 2. v.i. Brag, talk big; hence ~ER¹ n. [vb & adj. f. n., F (*Rodomon* f. It. *Rodomonte* character in *Orlando Furioso*, -ADE)]

roe¹, n. (collect. sing. occas. for pl.). Small kind of European & Asiatic deer; ~buck, male ~; ~deer, ~. [com.-Tent.; OE *räha*, cf. Du. *ree*, G *reh*]

roe², n. Mass of eggs (also *hard* ~) in fish's ovarian membrane (~corn, one egg); soft ~, male fish's milt; ~stone, oolite. Hence (-)ROEN² (röd) a. [cf. MDu., MLG, MHG, *roge*]

rogä'tion, n. 1. (Eccl., usu. pl.) litany of the saints chanted on the three days before Ascension Day (*R~days*, these; *R~week, Sunday*, including, preceding, them; ~flower, milk-wort), whence ~AL (-shon-) a. 2. (Rom. Ant.) law proposed before the people by consul or tribune (*Licinian* etc. ~s, proposed by Licinius etc.). [f. L *rogatio* (*rogare* ask, -ATION)]

Rö'ger, n. Male name (*the jolly ~*, pirates' black flag; ~ or *Sir ~ de Coverley* (de küv'erli), a country-dance & tune).

rogue (-g), n., & v.t. 1. Idle vagrant (arch.); knave, rascal, swindler, (often playfully of mischievous child or vagabond or arch-mannered person). 2. Inferior plant among seedlings (vb, weed out ~s from). 3. (Also ~elephant, buffalo, etc.) wild beast, esp. elephant, driven or living apart from the herd & of savage temper. 4. Shirking racehorse or hunter. Hence **rög'uery**(4) (-ge-) n., **rög'ush**¹ (-gi-) a., **rög'uishy**² adv., **rög'uishness** n. [16th-c. cant wd, etym. dub.]

roi (rwah), n. (F for) king; ~ *fainéant* (see Ap.; lit. = King Do-nothing), ruler, chairman, etc., who is a mere figure-head like the Merovingian kings whose power was usurped by mayors of the palace; *le ~ le veul*, *le ~ s'avisera*, (see Ap.), forms

of giving, refusing, the royal assent to parliamentary bill, = the king wills it, will consider.

roï'nêk, rooi-, n. New-comer, esp. British or European immigrant, in S. Africa; (in Boer war) British soldier. [S.-Afr.-Du. (root-), = red-neck]

rois'ter, v.i. Revel noisily, be uproarious, (esp. in part, as adj.). Hence ~ER¹, ~ING¹, nn. [f. obs. *roister* rolsterer f. F *rustre* var. of *ruste* f. L *RUSTICUS*]

Rôl'and, n. Name of nephew of Charlemagne celebrated in legend often with his comrade Oliver (a ~ for an Oliver, effective retort).

rôle, rôle (rôl), n. Actor's part; one's function, what one is appointed or expected or has undertaken to do. [F (rô-, as foll.)]

rôll¹, n. 1. Cylinder formed by turning flexible fabric such as paper or cloth over & over upon itself without folding (~s of carpet, printing-paper, etc.; SWISS ~); (in Ionic capital) volute. 2. Document, esp. official record, in this form (|| *Master of the R-s*, judge of Court of Appeal with charge of certain public records; || *the R-s*, buildings in which these were formerly kept now superseded by Public Record Office, also court of Master of the R-s); register or catalogue (*in the ~ of saints*; a long ~ of heroes; *on the ~s of fame*; RENT³ ~; ~ of honour, esp. list of those who have died for their country in war); || the official list of qualified solicitors (*strike off the ~s*, debar from practising for dishonesty etc.); a list of persons esp. soldiers or schoolboys used to detect absentees (~call, calling over of this). 3. More or less (semi)cylindrical straight or curved mass of anything however formed (a ~ of butter, soap, straw, tobacco, hair; has ~s of fat on him; ~ of bread or usu. ~, small loaf esp. for breakfast use); (Archit., also ~moulding) moulding of convex section. 4. Turned-back edge of something, e.g. coat-collar. 5. (Book-bind.) revolving patterned tool for marking cover. 6. Cylinder or roller. [f. OF *rolle* (now *rôle*) f. L *rotulus* collat. form of *rotula* (foll.)]

rôll², v.t. & l., & n. 1. Move (t. & l.) or send or go in some direction by turning over & over on axis often with aid of gravitation (~ barrel; barrel started ~ing; ball, coin, ~ed under the table, into a hole; river ~s down stones; ~ing stone GATHERS no moss; planets ~ on their courses; years ~ on or by, go smoothly; ~ one over, send him ~ing or sprawling); make revolve between two surfaces (~ing a marble between his palms); wrap usu. up in by ~ing motion (~ed himself up in the blankets). 2. Change direction (of) with rotatory motion (*his eyes ~ strangely; ~ed his eyes on me*). 3. Wallow, turn about in fluid or loose medium, (of horse etc.

lie on back & kick about, (porpoise, swimmer, ~s in the water; ~ing in money, luxury, ease; mule tried to ~, as way of getting rid of rider or load). 4. Sway or rock (t. & l.), walk with swaying gait as of sailor, reel, (~ed himself from side to side; ship ~s & pitches; he ~ed up to her). 5. Undulate, show undulating surface or motion, go or propel or carry with such motion, (sea, river, ~s; river ~s its waters to sea; waves ~ in; smoke ~s up; chimney ~s up smoke; the mist ~ed away; a ~ing expanse or plain). 6. Utter or be uttered, sound, with vibratory or undulating or trilling effect (~ out verses, song, etc.; thunder, drum, organ, voice, echo, ~s; ~ one's rs). 7. (Of wheeled vehicle) advance or convey usu. along, by, etc., (of person) be so conveyed, (carriage ~ed along, ~ed them by; he ~ed past in his carriage; ~ing-stock, railway company's wagons & trucks). 8. Flatten by passing roller over or by passing between rollers (~ lawn, metal, paste for pies, etc.; ~ed gold, thin coating so applied; ~ing-pin, roller for paste; ~ing-press, copperplate-printer's press with revolving cylinder, also press with rollers for various purposes). 9. Turn (t. & l.) over & over upon itself into more or less cylindrical shape (usu. up; the way to ~ a greatcoat; hedgehog ~s itself into a ball or ~s up). 10. Form (t. & l.) in(to) cylindrical or spherical shape, or accumulate into mass, by ~ing (~ cigarettes, a huge snowball, snow or string into ball; the reckoning is ~ing up, increasing in amount; saint & philosopher ~ed into one). 11. ~top desk, with flexible cover sliding in curved grooves. 12. ~ up, (Mil.) drive flank of (enemy line) back & round so that line is shortened or surrounded, (intr., colloq.) appear on the scene, turn up; hence ~'ABLE a. 13. n. ~ing motion (*the ~ of the sea, ship*); (Aeron.) complete revolution about the longitudinal axis; spell of ~ing (a ~ on the grass); ~ing gait. 14. Quick continuous beating of drum; long peal of thunder or shout; rhythmic flow of words. [f. OF *roller*=It. *rotolare* (L *rotula* dim. of *ROTA*)]

rôll'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: cylinder of wood, stone, metal, etc., & of various proportions used alone or as rotating part of machine for lessening friction, smoothing ground, pressing, stamping, crushing, spreading printer's ink, rolling up cloth on, etc.; (usu. ~ bandage) long surgical bandage rolled up for convenience of applying; kind of tumbler-pigeon; long swelling wave; brilliant-plumaged bird allied to crows, also German breed of canary, [G, f. *rollen* to roll]; ~ SKATE², skating; ~ towel, endless, working on ~. [-ER¹]

rôll'ey. See RULLEY.

rôll'ick, v.i., & n. 1. Be jovial, indulge in

high spirits, enjoy life boisterously, revel, (esp. in part. as adj.). 2. n. Exuberant gaiety; frolic, spree, escapade. [?]

rol'ý-pól'ý, n. & a. 1. (Also ~ *pudding*) pudding made of sheet of paste covered with jam etc., formed into roll, & boiled. 2. adj. (Usu. of child) podgy, plump. [prob. formed on *roll*.]

Róm, n. (pl. ~s). Male gipsy, (pl.) gipsies. [Romanian wd]

Romá'ic, a. & n. (Of, in, etc.) the vernacular language of modern Greece. [f. Gk *Rōmaikos* Roman (used esp. of Eastern empire)]

Romá'ika, n. National dance of modern Greece. [mod. Gk (-kē), orig. fem. adj. (prec.)]

Róm'an¹, n. 1. Citizen, soldier, native, or inhabitant, of ancient Rome, member of ancient ~ State, (King, Emperor, of the ~s, sovereign head of Holy Roman Empire); inhabitant of medieval or modern Rome. 2. pl. Christians of ancient Rome (~s, or in full *Epistle to the ~s*, N.-T. book, abbr. *Rom.*). 3. (Print.) ROMAN² type (abbr. in press-correcting, *rom.*). 4. = ROMAN CATHOLIC. [f. L *Romanus* (ROME, -AN)]

Róm'an², a. 1. Of ancient Rome or its territory, people, or (rarely; usu. *Latin*) language (~ *Empire*, that established by Augustus 27 B.C. & divided by Theodosius A.D. 395 into WESTERN or Latin & eastern or Greek empires, of which the eastern lasted till 1453, & the western, after lapsing in 476, was revived 800 by Charlemagne & continued to exist as the *Holy ~ Empire* till 1806; ~ *law*, code developed by ancient Romans & forming basis of many modern codes; ~ *pottery*, *bricks*, *road*, etc., surviving from period of ~ rule; ~ *cement*, trade name for a hydraulic cement named after ancient ~ kind; ~ *balance*, *beam*, or *seelyard*, ordinary seelyard; ~ *simplicity*, *honesty*, *virtue*, *patriotism*, etc., as of Romans of early Republic; ~ *nose*, with high bridge, aquiline, whence, of person or horse, ~ *nosed*² (-zd) a.; ~ *letters* or *type*, of the plain upright type used in ordinary print, opp. *Gothic* or *black letter* & *italic*; ~ *alphabet*, that used by Romans & still with slight modifications in W. Europe; ~ *numerals*, the letters I, V, etc. used in composing number-symbols, see below! for mod. use, & cf. ARABIC; ~ *architecture*, COMPOSITE, & see ORDER¹; ~ *history*, *historian*, etc., of ancient Rome. 2. Of papal Rome, esp. = ROMAN CATHOLIC, whence ~ *ism*¹ (2) a., ~ *izer*¹ n. 3. Of medieval or modern Rome (~ *school*, painting school of Raphael; ~ *fever*, malaria prevalent at Rome; ~ *snail*; ~ *vitriol*, sulphate of copper; ~ *candle*). Hence ~ *ism* (3, 4), ~ *ist* (2, 3), nn., ~ *ist* (2) a., ~ *ize* (2, 3, 4) v.t. & i., ~ *iza*'TION n., *Román'o* comb. form. †Mod. use of ~ *numerals*, differing in

some respects from the ancient: The only symbols now used are I=1, V=5, X=10, L=50, C=100, D=500, M=1000; the letters composing a number are ranged in order of value, & the number meant is found by addition, e.g. MDCLXVI=1666; if a letter or set of letters is placed before a letter of higher value, it is to be subtracted from it before the addition is done, e.g. IIC=98, MCM=1900; IIII is usu. preferred to IV on clock-faces. [as prec.]

Róm'an Cāth'olic, a. & n. (Member) of the Church of Rome. Hence **Rōman-Cāthōl'ically**, **Rōman-Cāth'olicly**², adv., **Rōman-Cāthōl'icism** (3) n. [f. v. 1800, perh. orig. as non-controversial compromise between *Roman*(ist), *Romish*, etc., & *Catholic*]

romānce', n. & a., & v.i. 1. (*R*~). Vernacular language of old France mainly developed but distinguished from Latin; corresponding language of Spain, Provence, etc.; (collect.) the languages descended from Latin. 2. adj. (*R*~; of languages) thus descended. 3. Medieval tale usu. in verse of some hero of chivalry (named as written in *R*~). 4. Prose or rarely verse tale with scene & incidents remote from everyday life, class of literature consisting of such tales; set of facts, episode, love affair, etc., suggesting such tales by its strangeness or moving nature; atmosphere characterizing such tales, mental tendency to be influenced by it, sympathetic imaginativeness, whence ~ *less* (-al) a. 5. (An) exaggeration, (a) picturesque falsehood. 6. (Mus.) short piece of simple character. 7. v.i. Exaggerate or distort the truth, draw the long-bow. [f. OF *romanz* f. pop. L **romanice* (opp. *Latine* in Latin) adv. f. ROMANICUS]

romān'cer, n. Medieval or other writer of romances; fantastic liar. [f. *romance* vb (prec.) partly in obs. sense]

Róm'anés, n. Gipsy language. [Gipsy (adv.)]

Rōmanēsque' (-k), a. & n. = ROMANCE 1 & 2. 2. (archit.). (In) style of building prevalent in Romanized Europe between the classical & Gothic periods. [-ESQUE]

Romān'ic, a. & n. 1. Descended from Latin, Romance (a. & n.). 2. Descended from, inheriting civilization etc. of, the Romans, Romance-speaking. [f. L *Romanicus* (ROMAN¹, -IO)]

Romān'ity, n. (rare). Civilization & influence of Roman empire. [ROMAN², -ITY]

Romānsh', **Rou-**, **Ru-**, (ro-, rū-), n. & a. (In) the RHAETO-ROMANIC tongue of NW. part of E. Switzerland; = *Rhaeto-Romanic*. [as ROMANCE]

romān'tic, a. & n. 1. Characterized by or suggestive of or given to romance, imaginative, remote from experience, vision-

ary, (a ~ *story, scene, adventure, girl*).
2. (Of music) subordinating form to theme, imaginative, passionate. **3.** (Of projects etc.) fantastic, unpractical, quixotic, dreamy. **4.** (Of literary or artistic method etc.) preferring grandeur or picturesqueness or passion or irregular beauty to finish & proportion, subordinating whole to parts or form to matter, (opp. CLASSIC, CLASSICAL), whence ~IST(2) n.; hence ROMAN'TICALLY adv., ~ISM(2, 3) n., ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t. **5.** n. A ~ist; (pl.) ~ ideas or talk. [f. F *romantique* (romant tale, now roman, var. of *romanz* ROMANCE, -IC)]

Röm'aný, n. & a. **1.** Gipsy (n. & a.); (pl., also collect. sing.) the gipsies, (pl.) gipsies. **2.** The gipsy language. [f. Gipsy *Romani* fem. & pl. of *Romano* adj. (ROM)]

romaunt', n. (arch.). A romance or tale of chivalry etc. [f. OF *romant* see ROMANTIC]

Röme, n. **1.** City or ancient State of ~ (~ was not built in a day, encouragement to fainthearted; do in ~ as ~ does, as the Romans do, adapt oneself to surroundings); Roman empire. **2.** Church of ~, whence ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS adv., (-mw-), Röm'ISH¹ a. (chiefly derog.). [OF, f. L *Roma*]

römp, v.i., & n. **1.** (Of children etc.) play about together, chase each other, wrestle, etc.; (Racing sl.) get along, past, etc., without effort, come in or home as easy winner. **2.** n. Child or woman fond of ~ing, tomboy; spell of ~ing, boisterous play, (often game of ~s); hence ~Y² a. [perh. n. f. vb. var. of RAMP²]

römp'er, n. (Sing. or pl.) child's overall. [prec., -ER¹(2)]

rön'deau (-dō), n. Ten-line or thirteen-line poem with only two rhymes throughout & opening words used twice as refrain. [F, earlier RONDEL]

rön'del, n. (Special form of) RONDEAU. [F, *ronel* ROUND¹, -LE(2)]

rön'tō, n. (pl. ~s). Piece of music with leading theme which returns from time to time. [It., f. F RONDEAU]

rön'dure, n. (poet.). Round outline or object. [f. F *rondeur* (ROUND¹, -OR¹)]

|| **röne, n. (Sc.).** Gutter to carry off rain from roof. [?]

|| **Rön'tō, n., & v.t.** Machine for duplicating letters, circulars, etc., in numbers; (v.t.) reproduce with a ~. [P]

Rönt'genogrām (rüntyen-), n. Photograph taken by Röntgen rays. [foll., -O-, GRAM]

Röntgen rays. See RAY¹.

rööd, n. 1. The cross of Christ (arch.; often in oaths, as by the R~); crucifix, esp. one raised on middle of ~-screen, wooden or stone carved screen separating nave & choir; ~-arch, between nave & choir; ~-beam, cross-beam, usu. as head of ~-screen, supporting ~; ~-cloth, veiling ~

in Lent; ~-loft, gallery on top of ~-screen. **2.** Quarter of an acre (esp. as loose term for small piece of land; not a ~ remained to him). [OE *röd* cross, cf. OFris. *röde*, cogn. w. ROD]

rööf, n., & v.t. 1. Upper covering of house or building usu. supported by its walls (under one's ~, in one's house, esp. w. ref. to hospitality; also fig., as the ~ of heaven; ~ of the world, high mountain range; ~ of the mouth, palate; under a ~ of foliage); top of covered vehicle esp. when used for outside passengers; ~-garden, on flat ~ of building; ~-tree, ridge-pole of ~; hence ~AGE(1) n., (-)~ED¹ (-ft), ~LESS, aa. **2.** v.t. Cover with ~, be ~ of, (often in, over); hence ~ING¹(3) n. [OE *hróf*, cf. OFris. *rhoof*, MDu. *roof*]
 || **rööf'er, n. (colloq.).** Letter of thanks for entertainment sent by departed visitor. [prec., -ER¹]

röök¹, n., & v.t. 1. Black horse-voiced bird of crow tribe nesting in colonies; sharper, esp. at dice or cards, person who lives on inexperienced gamblers etc., (cf. PIGEON); ~ pie, of young ~s; ~-rifle, of small bore for ~-shooting; hence ~LET, ~LING¹, nn., ~Y² a. **2.** v.t. Win money from at cards etc. esp. by swindling; charge (customer) extortionately. [OE *hróc*, cf. Du. *roek*, G *ruck*; prob. imit.]

röök², n. (chess). = CASTLE¹. [f. OF *roc* ult. f. Pers. *rukh*]

röök'ery, n. 1. (Clump of trees with) colony of rooks. **2.** Colony of penguins etc. or seals. **3.** Crowded cluster of mean houses or tenements. [-ERY]

röök'ie, n. (army sl.). Recruit. [corrupt. of recruit]

rööm, n., & v.i. 1. Space that is or might be occupied by something, capaciousness or ability to accommodate contents, (takes up too much ~; there is plenty of ~; no ~ to turn in, to swing a CAT¹; would rather have his ~ than his company, wish him away; we have no ~ here for idlers; make ~, vacate standing-ground etc. or post etc. for or for another, withdraw, retire, also clear a space for person or thing by removal of others; ~ for, arch., ellipt. command to make way for some one; in one's ~, in the ~ of, instead of, in succession to, as substitute for), whence ~Y² a., ~INESS n., ~ILY² adv. **2.** Opportunity, scope, to do or for (~ to deny ourselves; no ~ for dispute; leave ~ for evasion; there is ~ for improvement, things are not as good as they should be). **3.** Part of house enclosed by walls or partitions, floor, & ceiling; (pl.) set of these occupied by person or family, apartments or lodgings; (transf.) the company in a ~ (set the ~ in a roar); whence ~FUL(2) n., ~ED¹ (-md) a. **4.** v.i. Have ~(s), lodge, board, whence ~ER¹ n.; ~ing-house, lodging-house. [com.-Teut.; OE *rām*, cf. G *raum*, Sw. & Da. *rum*]

rōōst¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Bird's perching or resting place, esp. hen-house or part of it in which fowls sleep, (transf.) sleeping-accommodation, bed(room), (*go to ~, retire for the night; at ~, perched, in bed; curses come home to ~, recoll upon curser*). 2. vb. (Of birds or persons) settle for sleep, be perched or lodged for the night; provide with sleeping-place. [vb f. n., OE *hrōst*, cf. MDu. *roest*]

|| **rōōst**², n. Tidal race about Orkneys & Shetlands. [f. ON *rost*]

rōōster, n. Domestic cock. [-ER¹]

rōōt¹, n. 1. Part of plant normally below earth's surface & serving to attach it to earth & convey nourishment from soil to it, (pl.) such part divided into branches or fibres, corresponding organ of epiphyte, part attaching ivy to its support (also ~'LET n.), permanent underground stock of plant, small plant with ~ for transplanting, (plant, such as turnip or carrot, with) edible ~, (*pull up by the ~s, uproot* lit. & fig.; *take, strike, ~, begin to draw nourishment from soil, fig. get established; lay axe to ~ of tree or institution, set about destroying it; ~ & BRANCH*¹). 2. (Bibl.) scion, offshoot, (*there shall be a ~ of Jesse*). 3. Imbedded part of some bodily organ or structure, part of thing attaching it to greater or more fundamental whole, (~ of tongue, tooth, nail, etc.; ~ of a gem, esp. of emerald, cloudy part by which it adhered to stone; ~s of mountain, its base). 4. Source or origin (of; *love of money is the ~ of all evil; a ~ of bitterness; ~ of fallacy, idea, etc., the one from which the rest originated*). 5. Basis, dependence, means of continuance or growth, (*has its ~ or ~s in selfishness; has no ~ in the nature of things*). 6. Bottom, essential substance or nature, (*get at the ~s of things; has the ~ of the matter in him*, is essentially sound, w. ref. to Job xix. 28). 7. (Math.) ~ of, number or quantity that when multiplied by itself a new specified number of times gives (specified number etc.; *square or second ~ of 4, or ellipt. ~ of 4 or ~ 4, symbol √4, is 2; √3 is irrational; cube or third ~ of 27, symbol √27, is 3*). 8. (Philol.) ultimate unanalysable element of language, basis (whether itself existing as a word or not) on which words are made by addition of prefixes or suffixes or by other modification, (symbol √, as *sopor* is from √SWEP). 9. (Mus.) fundamental note of chord. 10. ~stock, ~RHIZOME, also primary form whence offshoots have arisen. Hence ~AGE (1. 3) n., ~LESS, ~'Y¹ [-Y²], aa. [OE f. ON *rōt*; cogn. w. L *radix*, & w. WORT]

rōōt², v.t. & i. 1. (Cause to) take root, fix firmly to the spot, establish, (*some kinds ~ freely; take care to ~ them firmly; fear ~ed him to the ground; esp. in p.p., as her affection was deeply ~ed, ~ed objections to, obedience ~ed in fear, whence*

~'EDLY¹ adv., ~'EDNESS n.). 2. Drag or dig up by the roots; ~ out, exterminate; uproot, tear away, from (poet.). [f. prec.]

rōōt³, rout, v.i. & t. 1. (Of swine etc.) turn up ground with snout, beak, etc., in search of food; turn up (ground) thus. 2. (transf.). Search out, hunt up, rummage (among, in). 3. * (sl.). Be active for another by giving encouraging applause or support. [earlier *wroot*, f. OE *vrōtan* (rōt ROOT¹)]

rōōt'cry, n. Pile of roots & stumps for growing garden plants on (cf. ROCK'ery). [-ERY]

|| **rōōtle**, v.i. & t. = ROOT². [-LE(3)]

|| **rōōt'y**², n. (for *rooty*¹ see ROOT¹). (Mil. sl.)

bread. [Anglo-Ind., f. Hind. *rōṭī*]

rōpe, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Piece of) stout cordage (prop. over 1 in. in circumf., cf. CABLE¹, CORD) made by twisting strands of hemp, flax, hide, or wire, into one (*the ~, halter for hanging person, also = TIGHT-~; on the HIGH ~s; the ~s, those enclosing prize-ring or other arena; know, learn, put one up to, the ~s, the conditions in some sphere of action; give one ~, ~ enough to hang himself, plenty of ~, etc., not check him, trust to his bringing about his own discomfiture; ~ of sand, delusive security; ~ of onions, ova, pearls, these strung together; on the ~, of mountaineers, ~d together*). 2. Viscid or gelatinous stringy formation in beer or other liquid. 3. ~dancer, ~dancing, performer, performing, on tight-~; ~drill, in which a ~ stretched by two men represents company etc.; ~ladder, two long ~s connected by short cross-~s as ladder; ~manship, skill in ~walking or ~climbing; ~moulding, cut spirally in imitation of ~strands; ~quoil, ring of ~ used in quilts played on board ship; ~s-end, short piece of ~ used to flog (esp. sailor) with; ~walk, long piece of ground used for twisting ~; ~walker, ~walking, ~dancer, ~dancing; ~yard, ~making establishment; ~yarn, (piece of) the material (esp. when unpicked) of which ~strands consist, mere trifle; hence **rōp'ing** (6) n., **rōp'y**² a., **rōp'iness** n. 4. vb. Fasten or secure with ~; (Mountaineering) connect (party) with ~, attach (person) to ~, put on ~; use ~s in towing etc.; enclose, close in, (space) with ~; ~ in, secure adherence of, decoy. 5. || (Racing) check (horse), check horse, (of athlete) not put forth full powers, in order to lose race. 6. Become ropy or viscid. [com.-Tout.; OE *rip*, cf. Du. *reep*, G *reif*, Icel. & Norw. *reip*]

Rōq'uefort (-křř), n. Kind of French cheese of goats' & ewes' milk resembling Stilton. [~ in France]

rōq'ue-laure (-kelřř), n. (hist.). Man's cloak reaching to knees (18th c.). [F (Duke of R~)]

rōq'uet (-ki), v.t. & i. (~ing, ~ed, pr. ~ing,

-ld), & n. 1. Cause one's ball to strike, (of ball) strike, another ball at croquet; strike another ball thus. 2. n. Act or fact of ~ing. [arbitrary f. CROQUET² & orig. in same sense]

rörq'ual, n. Whale with dorsal fin, fin-back. [F, f. Norw. *rörkval* (*raud* red, *kval* whale)]

rört'y, raught'y (-awt-), a. (sl.). Enjoyable (*had a ~ time*); fond of amusement & excitement. [?]

rös'ace (-z-), n. Rose-window; rose-shaped ornament or design. [F (ROSE)]

rosā'ceous (-zāshus), a. Of the family *Rosaceae*, of which the rose is the type. So *rosā'cean* (-zāshan) n. [f. L *rosaceus* (ROSE, -ACEOUS)]

rösā'n'iline (-z-), n. (Kinds of red dye obtained from) an organic base derived from aniline. [ROSE, ANILINE]

rosār'ian, n. 1. Rose-fancier. 2. (R.-C. Ch.) member of a Confraternity of the Rosary. [f. L *rosarium* ROSARY, -AN]

rosār'ium, n. Rose-garden. [L (foll.)]

rös'ary (-z-), n. 1. Rose-garden, rose-bed. 2. (R.-C. Ch.) form of prayer in which fifteen decades of Aves are repeated, each decade preceded by Paternoster & followed by Gloria; book containing this; string of 165 beads for keeping count in this (*lessen* ~, of 55). [f. L *rosarium* (ROSE, -ARIUM); R.-C. sense f. LL *sense chapel*]

Rös'cian (-shē-), a. Like or worthy of Roscius, famous Roman actor of 1st c. B.C. [-AN]

röse¹ (-z-), n., a., & v.t. 1. (Prickly bush or shrub bearing) a beautiful & usu. fragrant flower usu. of red or yellow or white colour (BLUSH², BRIER¹, CABBAGE, DAMASK, MOSS¹, MUSK, TEA, etc., ~; also in names of other flowering plants, as ROCK~, CHRISTMAS~, *R~ of Jericho*, the Resurrection plant with dried fronds unfolding under moisture, *R~ of Sharon*, unidentified eastern flower, *R~ of May*, white narcissus; ATTAR, OTTO, of ~s; red as a ~; gather ~s or life's ~s, seek pleasure; path strewn with ~s, life of delights; bed of ~s, pleasant easy post or condition, esp. in *is no bed of ~s*; so *is not all ~s*; ~ without a thorn, impossible happiness, unalloyed delight; the white ~ of virginity, innocence, etc.; the ~ of with place-name, most beautiful girl or woman in; *Wars of the R~s*, 15th-c. civil wars between Yorkists with white & Lancastrians with red ~ as emblem; under the ~, = SUB¹ *rosa*, whence **rös'ERY**(3) (-z-) n. 2. Representation of the flower in heraldry or decoration (esp. as national emblem of England, cf. THISTLE, SHAMROCK, LEEK or DAFFODIL; *Golden ~*, ornament blessed by Pope on 4th Sunday in Lent & sent as compliment to some R.-C. sovereign, city, etc.); ~shaped design. 3. Rosette worn on shoe or clerical hat. 4. Protuberance round base of animal's horn or some

birds' eye. 5. Sprinkling-nozzle of watering-pot or hose, whence (-) **rösed**² (-zd) a. 6. = ~ diamond; = ~ window. 7. Light crimson colour, pink, (usu. pl.) rosy complexion (*has quite lost her, spoiled her natural, ~s*). 8. *The ~*, erysielas. 9. ~ apple, tropical tree cultivated for foliage & fruit, its fruit; ~ bay, oleander, rhododendron, azalea, willow-herb; ~ bud, bud of ~ (often attrib., as ~ bud mouth), pretty girl, *débutante; ~ bush, ~ plant; ~ chafer, green or copper-coloured beetle frequenting ~s; ~ colour, rosy red, pink, (fig.) pleasant state of things or outlook (*life is not all ~-colour*); ~-coloured, rosy, (fig.) optimistic, sanguine, cheerful, (*takes ~-coloured views; see things through ~-coloured spectacles*); ~ cut, cut as a ~ diamond, hemispherical with curved part in triangular facets; ~ drop, skin-disease with red blotches; ~ engine, appendage to lathe for engraving curved patterns; ~ gall, excrescence on dog ~ etc. made by insect; ~ leaf, leaf, usu. petal, of ~ (*crumpled ~ leaf, slight vexation alloying general felicity*); ~-lipped, with rosy lips; ~ (or ~-head) nail, with head shaped like ~ diamond; ~ noble, 15th-16th c. gold coin of varying value stamped with ~; ~-pink, pigment of chalk or whitening coloured with Brazil-wood decoction, also = ~-colour(ed) lit. & fig.; ~-rash, = ROSEOLA; ~-red a. & n., red as (of) a ~; ~-root, kinds of plant with root smelling like ~ when dried or bruised; ~ tree; ~ vinegar, infusion of ~s in vinegar for application in headache etc.; ~-water, perfume made from ~s, (fig.) compliments, gentle handling, etc. (~-water surgery; revolutions are not made with ~-water); ~ window, circular, usu. with spokelike tracery; ~ wood, kinds of cabinet wood named from their fragrance; hence ~ LESS, ~ LIKE, (-z-), aa. 10. adj. Coloured like a pale red ~, of warm pink. 11. v.t. Make (face, snow-slope, etc.) rosy (esp. in p.p.). [OE *rose*, *röse*, f. L *rosa* prob. f. Gk *rhodea* rose-tree (*rhodon* rose)]

rose². See RISE¹.

rös'ète (-z-), a. = ROSE-coloured (lit. & fig.). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *roseus* (ROSE¹) rosy + -ATE¹]

rös'mar'y (-zm-), n. Evergreen fragrant shrub with leaves used in perfumery etc. & taken as emblem of remembrance. [earlier *rosmarine* f. L *ros marinus* (*ros* dew, MARINE) w. assim. to *rose*, *Mary* (prob. the Virgin)]

rös'ëo (-z-), comb. form in names of salts & alkalis of L *roseus* rose-coloured, as ~cobalt.

rös'öl'a (-z-), n. Rosy rash in measles etc.; German measles. Hence ~AR¹, ~OUS, aa. [mod. L (prec., -öl'a dim. termination)]

rosëtt'e¹ (-z-), n. Rose-shaped ornament for dress or harness made of ribbons,

leather strips, etc.; (Archit.) carved or moulded conventional rose on wall etc., also rose-window; (Biol.) roselike cluster or organs, markings resembling rose; = ROSE diamond; roselike object or arrangement of parts. Hence ~ED² a. [F (ROSE¹, -ETTE)]

Rōsicru'cian (-zkrōōshn), n. & a. (Member) of a society devoted to occult lore & magic said to have been founded 1484 by Christian Rosenkreuz. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [f. L *rosa* rose, *crux crucis* cross, + -AN, as latinization of *Rosenkreuzian*]

rōs'in (-z), n., & v.t. 1. = RESIN (esp. of solid residue after distillation of oil of turpentine from crude turpentine); hence ~Y² a. 2. v.t. Smear, seal up, rub (esp. bow or string of fiddle etc.), with ~. [changed f. RESIN]

Rōsinān'té (-z), **Rōz-**, n. Worn-out horse, jade. [f. Sp. *Rocinante* (*rocin* jade, cf. obs. E *rouncy* riding-horse), Don Quixote's horse]

rosōl'īō (-z), n. A S.-Europ. sweet cordial. [It., f. L *ros* dew, *solis* of the sun, cordial being orig. made from plant sundew]

rōs'ter, n. List or plan showing turns of duty for individuals or companies esp. of a military force. [f. Du. *rooster* list, orig. gridiron (*roosten* ROAST), v. ref. to parallel lines]

rōs'tral, a. (Of column etc.) adorned with beaks actual or sculptured etc. of ancient war-galleys; (Zool. etc.) of, on, the rostrum. [f. LL *rostralis* (ROSTRUM, -AL)]

rōstrāt'ed, a. (Of column etc.) = prec.; (Zool. etc.) having, ending in, a rostrum. [f. L *rostratus* (ROSTRUM, -ATE²)]

rōs'trium, n. (pl. ~a, ~ums). 1. (Sing., or pl. ~a of single specimen but usu. w. pl. constr.; pl. in pl. sense, ~a or ~ums) platform for public speaking (orig. that in Roman forum adorned with beaks of captured galleys), pulpit, office, etc. that enables one to gain the public ear. 2. (Rom. Ant.) beak of war-galley (pl. usu. ~a). 3. (Zool., Entom., Bot.) beak, stiff snout, beaklike part, whence ~ATE², ~IFEROUS, ~IFORM, aa., ~O- comb. form. [L, = beak (*rodere* gnaw)]

rōs'ulate (-z), a. (bot.). (Of leaves) packed over each other like rose-petals. [LL *rosula* (ROSE¹, -ULE), -ATE², see -UL-]

rōs'y (-z), a. Coloured like a red rose (esp. of complexion as indicating health, of blush, wine, sky, light, etc.), (fig.) = ROSE-coloured; (now rare) smelling like a rose, made of or covered or strewn with roses; ~ cross, emblem of ROSICRUCIANS; ~ fingered, epithet of dawn etc. Hence **rōs'ily** adv., **rōs'iness** n., (-z). [-Y²]

rōt, n. & int. 1. Decay, putrefaction, rottenness, (esp. in timber, cf. DRY¹~). 2. Virulent liver-disease of sheep (usu. *she-~*). 3. (sl.). (Also *tommy*~) nonsense, absurd statement or argument or proposal

(often as int. of incredulity or ridicule), foolish course, undesirable state of things, (*don't talk ~; it is perfect ~ to trust him; what tommy ~ that it is not open on Sundays!*). 4. (Cricketer, War, etc.) sudden series of unaccountable failures on one side (*a ~ set in*). [prob. f. Scand. (Icel., Norw., *rot*), cogn. w. foll.]

rōt², v.i. & t. (-tt-). 1. Undergo natural decomposition, decay, putrefy, (~ off, drop from stem etc. through rottenness); (fig., of society, institutions, etc.) gradually perish from want of vigour or use, (of prisoner) pine away (*left to ~ in jail*). 2. Cause to ~, make rotten; (sl.) spoil or disconcert (*has ~ed the whole plan*). 3. || (sl.). Chaff, banter, tease; (abs.) talk ironically (*he is only ~ing*). 4. ~gut a. & a., (liquor) injurious to stomach. [com.-Teut.; OE *rotian*, cf. Fris. *rotsje*, Du. *rotten*, Icel. *rota*]

rōt'a, n. 1. List of persons acting, or duties to be done, in rotation, roster. 2. (R.-C. Ch.; R~) supreme ecclesiastical & secular court. [L, = wheel]

rōt'ar'y, a. & n. 1. Acting by rotation. 2. n. ~ machine. 3. (*The*) R~, *R~ Club(s)*, a world-wide society with many branches for international service to humanity, orig. named from clubs entertaining in rotation, whence **Rotār'ian** a. & n., (member) of R~. [f. LL *rotarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

rōt'ate¹, a. (bot.). Wheel-shaped. [ROTA, -ATE²]

rotāt'e², v.i. & t. Move (t. & i.) round axis or centre, revolve; arrange (esp. crops) or take in rotation. Hence **rōt'ative**, **rōt'atory**, ~ABLE, aa. [f. L *rotare*, -ATE²]

rotā'tion, n. Rotating; recurrence, recurrent series or period, regular succession in office etc., (often *in, by, ~; ~ of crops*, growing of different crops in regular order to avoid exhausting soil). Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [f. L *rotatio* (prec., -ATION)]

rotāt'or, n. (Anat.) muscle that rotates a limb etc.; revolving apparatus or part. [L (ROTATE², -OR²)]

rōtch(e), n. The little auk. [earlier *rotge*, cf. Fris. *rotgies* Brent-geese]

rōte, n. Mere habituation, knowledge got by repetition, unintelligent memory, (only *by ~*, as *say, know, do, by ~*). [perh. OF, = ROUTE]

rōt'ifer, n. Wheel-animalcule, member of class *Rotifera* with rotatory organs used in swimming. [L ROTA, -IFEROUS]

rōt'ograph (-ahf), n. Print of MS. page etc. got by sensitized roll. [prec., -GRAPH]

rōt'or, n. Rotary part of machine; horizontally-rotating vane of helicopter. [irreg. for ROTATOR]

rōtt'en, a. 1. Decomposed or decomposing, putrid, perishing of decay, falling to pieces or friable or easily breakable or tearable from age or use. 2. (Of sheep) affected with the rot. 3. Morally, socially,

or politically corrupt, effete, (|| ~ BOROUGH; something is ~ in the state of Denmark, *Hamlet*. I. iv. 90, things are unsatisfactory).

4. Inefficient, worthless; (sl.; of state of things, plan, etc.) disagreeable, regrettable, beastly, ill-advised. 5. ~stone, decomposed siliceous limestone used as polishing-powder. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. ON *rotinn* cogn. w. ROT², RET]

Rött'en Row (rō), n. (Now usu. *the Row*) track in Hyde Park, fashionable resort for riding. [perh. f. prec.]

|| **rōtt'er**, n. (sl.). One who is objectionable on moral or other grounds, useless or inefficient or disliked person. [ROT², -ER¹]

rotünd', a. Circular, round, (rare), whence **rotün'DATE**² a., **rotün'dr**, **rotün'do**, comb. forms, (bot.); (of mouth) rounded in speaking etc., (of speech, literary style, etc.) as from ~ mouth, sonorous, sounding, grandiloquent; (of persons) plump, podgy. Hence or cogn. **rotün'dirt** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *rotundus* cogn. w. ROTA]

rotün'da, n. Building of circular ground-plan, esp. one with dome; circular hall or room. [earlier *rotunda*, It., fem. of *rotundo*=prec.]

roturier (see Ap.), n. Plebeian. [F (*roture* plebeian tenure, prob. f. L *ruptura* breaking, -IER)]

rou'ble (rōb-), n. The Russian monetary unit (formerly a silver coin = 2/1½). [F, f. Russ. *ruble*]

roucou (rōūkōb'), n. (W.-Ind. tree yielding) orange dye. [F, f. Braz. *urucu*]

roué (rōū'ā), n. Debauchee, rake. [F, p.p. of *rouer* break on wheel, = one deserving this]

rouge (rōūzh), a., n., & v.t. & i. 1. Red (only in *R= Croix* pr. *krwah*, *R= Dragon*, two pursuivants of English College of Arms, & in ~royal marble, reddish Belgian kind). 2. n. Fine red powder made from safflower & used for colouring cheeks & lips; plate-powder of oxide of iron; revolutionary politician; ~et-noir (-ā-nwah'r), card-game played on table with red & black marks on which money staked is laid (~, the red in this). 3. vb. Colour, adorn oneself, with ~. [F, f. L *rubeus* cogn. w. RED]

|| **rouge**² (rōōj), n. Scrummage, also touch-down counting as point to opponents, in *Eton* football (field game). [?]

rough (rūf), a., adv., n., & v.t. 1. Of uneven or irregular surface, not smooth or level or polished, diversified or broken by prominences, hairy, shaggy, coarse in texture, rugged, (~ *skin*, *hands*, *paper*, *bark*, *road*, *cloth*, *country*; *book with ~ edges*, in which edges of original sheets are left untrimmed; ~ *leaf*, || first true leaf of springing plant after the smooth leaves or cotyledons, *in the ~ leaf*, at this stage; ~ *rice*, unhusked rice, paddy). 2. Not mild or quiet or gentle, unrestrained, violent, stormy, boisterous,

disorderly, riotous, inconsiderate, harsh, unfeeling, drastic, severe, grating, astringent, (~ *manners*, *soldier*, *play*; ~ *water*, *sea*, *weather*, *wind*; ~ *words*; ~ *element of the population*, *quarter of the town*; ~ *usage*, *handling*; ~ *remedies*; ~ *baritone voice*; ~ *claret*; ~ *tongue*, habit of rudeness; *gave him a lick with the ~ side of my tongue*, spoke severely to him; ~ *passage*, crossing over ~ sea; ~ *work*, violence, also task requiring it, & see below; *have a ~ time*, suffer ~ handling or hardship; *horse has ~ paces*, jolts rider; *fact etc. is ~ luck*, or ~, on person, worse luck than he deserves; ~ *MUSIC*). 3. Deficient in finish or elaboration or delicacy, incomplete, rudimentary, entirely or partly unwrought, merely passable, inexact, approximate, preliminary, (~ *nursing*, *style*, *welcome*, *kindness*, *plenty*, *accommodation*, *sketch*, *drawing*; ~ *work*, & see above; ~ *state*, *attempt*, *makeshift*, *circle*; ~ *stone*, not dressed; ~ *DIAMOND*; ~ *justice*; ~ *translation*, *estimate*; ~ *copy* of picture etc., reproducing only essentials; ~ *draft*; ~ *COPY*¹; ~ *coat*, first coat of plaster laid on; ~ *coating*, ~ *cast*; ~ & *ready*, not elaborate, just good enough, not over-particular, ~ly efficient or effective). 4. ~&-*hum'ble*, (adj.) Irregular, scrambling, disorderly, regardless of procedure-rules, (n.) haphazard fight, scuffle; ~*cast*, (adj., of wall etc.) coated with mixture of lime & gravel, (of plan etc.) imperfectly elaborated, (n.) plaster of lime & gravel for walls, (v.t.) coat (wall) with ~cast, prepare (plan, essay, etc.) in outline; ~*dry*, dry (clothes) without ironing etc.; ~*footed*, with feathered feet (in names of birds); ~*grind*, give preliminary grinding to (edged tool etc.); ~*hew*, shape out ~ly, give crude form to, (p.p., uncut, unrefined); ~*hound*, kind of dogfish; ~ *house* (sl.), disturbance, row, horseplay; ~*house*, (v.t.) handle (person) ~ly, (v.i.) make a disturbance, act violently; ~*legged*, with hairy or feathered legs (of breeds of horse & bird); ~*neck* (sl.), a rowdy; ~*riider*, horsebreaker, man who can ride unbroken horses, (Mil.) irregular cavalryman; ~*shod*, (of horse) having shoes with the nail-heads projecting (*ride* ~*shod*, domineer over); ~*SPOKEN*; ~*unthought*, with the earlier processes done; hence ~EN⁶ (rū'in) v.t. & i., ~ISH¹(2) a., ~LY² adv. (~ly *SPRARKING*), ~NESS n., (rūf'). 5. adv. In ~ manner (*land should be ploughed ~*; *play ~*; chiefly in compds, of which some are given above). 6. n. ~ ground (esp. *over ~ & smooth*), (Golf) the ~ ground outside the fairway between tees & greens; one of the spikes inserted in ~ing horse; hard part of life, piece of hardship, (usu. *the ~ & the smooth*, the ~s & the smooths); || rowdy, hoodigan, man or boy of lower classes ready for lawless violence; *the*

unfinished or the natural state, the general way, (*shape it from the ~; have seen it only in the ~; is true in the ~*). 7. v.t. Turn up (feathers, hair, etc.) by rubbing against the grain (~ *one up the wrong way*, irritate him); secure (horse or its shoes) against slipping by insertion of spikes or projecting nails in shoes; ~ *it*, do without ordinary conveniences of life; break in (horse); shape or plan out ~ly; sketch in ~ly; tune up (piano) ~ly; give first shaping to (gem, lens, etc.). [OE *rūh*, cf. Du. *ruig*, G *rau*h]

roughage (rūf'ij), n. (Dietetics) bran of cereals and other forms of cellulose considered valuable as a mechanical stimulant to the bowels. [-AGE (1)]

roulade (rōlād'), n. Florid passage of runs etc. in solo vocal music, usu. sung to one syllable. [F (*rouler* ROLL², -ADE)]

rouleau (rōlō'), n. (pl. ~x or ~s, pr. -z). Cylindrical packet of gold coins; coil or roll. [F (*roule* ROLL¹)]

roullette (rōb-), n. 1. Gambling game on table with revolving centre. 2. (Math.) curve generated by point on rolling curve. 3. Device for keeping hair in curl. 4. Revolving toothed wheel used in engraving, similar wheel for perforating postage stamps. [F, dim. of *rouelle* dim. of *roue* f. L *rota* wheel]

R(ou)m'an, R(ou)mān'ian, (rōb-), nn. & aa. (Native or language) of R(ou)mania. [f. F *Roumain* f. native *Român* f. L *ROMAN*¹us; -IAN]

Roumansh. See ROMANSH.

R(ou)mél'ioté (rōb-), n. Native of R(ou)melia. [-OT²]

roun'cival, n. (Also ~ *pea*) large variety of pea. [from 16th c.; perh. f. *Roncesvalles* place-name]

round¹, a. 1. Spherical or circular or cylindrical or approaching these forms, presenting convex outline or surface, (*the ~ world*; ~ *shot*, spherical ball for smooth-bore cannon; ~ *buckler, hole, mat*, of circular outline; ~ *table*, with disk top; *the R~ Table*, at which Arthur & his knights sat that none might have precedence; ~ *table conference*, held at ~ table for same purpose; ~ *game*, proper for ~ table, players being of any number & without sides or partners; ~ *face*, as broad as long; ~ *jacket*, cut level below, without skirts; ~ *hand* or *text*, writing with bold curves; ~ *tower, post, limbs*; ~ *arch*, semicircular as in Romanesque, opp. *pointed*; ~ *cheeks*, plump, not hollow; ~ *shoulders*, so bent forward that back is convex, whence ~ *shoul'dered*² (-shōl'derd) a.; ~ *vowel* in Phonet., pronounced with rounded lips). 2. Done with or involving circular motion (~ *dances, waltz*; ~ *trip, voyage*, with return to starting-point; ~ or ~ *arm* or ~ *hand* *bocking*, with arm swung horizontally, cf. *underhand, overhand*; ~ *towel*, endless on

roller; ~ *robin*, written petition with signatures in circle to conceal order in which they were written). 3. Entire, continuous, all together, not broken or defective or scanty, sound, smooth, plain, genuine, candid, outspoken, (~ *dozen, score*, that & no less, so many together; ~ *numbers, tens, hundreds*, etc., with neglect of minor denominations, whence ~ *roughly correct*; a ~ *sum*, considerable; a ~ *style*, flowing; a ~ *trot*, vigorous; a ~ *voice*, not harsh; ~ *unvarnished tale*, the plain truth; be ~ *with* one, arch., speak home-truths to him; a ~ *oath*, unmistakable). 4. ~ *head*, member of Parliament party in 17th-c. civil war (from custom of wearing hair close cut); ~ *house*, (Hist.) lock-up or place of detention, (Naut.) cabin or set of cabins on after part of quarterdeck chiefly in old sailing-ships; ~ *top*, platform about masthead, formerly circular; ~ *turn* (Naut.), single turn of rope round post etc. (hence, transf., *bring up with a ~ turn*, check with a sudden jerk, check abruptly). Hence ~ *ISH*¹(2) a., ~ *NESS* n. [f. OF *rund-*, *rond-* (F *rond*), f. L *ROTUNDUS*]

round², n. 1. Round object (*this earthly ~, earth*; ~ *s of ladder, rungs*; ~ *of beef*, thick disk from haunch as joint; ~ *of toast*, disk etc. cut across loaf). 2. (Sculpt.) solid form as opp. *relief*; in *the ~* (fig.), with all the features etc. fully shown. 3. Circumference, bounds, extent, of (*in all the ~ of Nature*). 4. Revolving motion, circular or circuitous or recurring course, circuit, cycle, series, (*the earth in its daily or yearly ~*; *the daily ~*, ordinary occupations of the day; *go for a good ~*, long walk out & home; a ~ *of days, pleasures, visits*; *make, go, one's ~s*, take customary walk esp. of inspection; *make the ~ of, go round*; *news, story, goes the ~*, is passed on); (Mil., pl.) watch that goes round inspecting sentries or circuit it makes (*visiting, grand, ~s*, orderly, field, officer's inspection of guard & sentries); (Golf) playing of all holes in course once; (Mus.) kind of perpetual canon at the unison for equal voices. 5. Allowance of something distributed or measured out, one of set or series, one bout or spell, one stage in competition, (*serve out a ~ of spirit*, 20 ~ *s of ball cartridge*; *never fired a single ~*; ~ *after ~ of cheers*; a *fight of ten ~s*; *threw up the sponge after the third ~*; *the winners in the first ~ are paired for the second*). 6. || ~ *s'man*, tradesman's employee going round for orders & with goods. [f. F *rond* (prec.) & prec.]

round³, adv. & prep. 1. With more or less circular motion, with return to starting-point after such motion, with rotation, with change to opposite position lit. or fig., (*sun goes, summer comes, ~; brings us ~ to winter*; *sleep the clock ~*, for twelve or

twenty-four hours; *all the year* ~; 6 in. ~, in girth; *wheels go* ~; *he turned short* ~; *soon won him* ~). 2. To or at or affecting all or many points of a circumference or area or members of a company etc., in every direction from a centre or within a radius, (*glasses* ~, for all present to drink; *tea was served* ~; *send* ~ *the hat*; *Home Rule all* ~, for each nationality; *an all* ~ *man*, one of varied talents; *show one* ~, take him to all points of interest; *room hung* ~ *with portraits*; *spread destruction* ~; *all the neighbours for a mile* ~). 3. By circuitous way (*will you jump or go* ~?; *go a long way* ~; *ask one* ~, out of his house into one's own; *order the car* ~, from garage to door). 4. *All* ~, *right* ~, ~ *d'* ~, emphatic forms of ~; ~ *about*, in a ring (about), all ~ (adv. & prep.), on all sides (of), with change to opposite position, circuitously; ~ *about*, (n.) circuitous way, place where all traffic has to follow a circular course (also attrib.), piece of circumlocution, || *mercy-go* ~ (|| *lose on the swings what you make on the* ~ *abouts*, end where you began after ups & downs), (adj.) circuitous, circumlocutory, plump or stout. 5. prep. So as to encircle or enclose (*tour* ~ *the world*; *has a wrapper* ~ *her*). 6. With successive visits to, at or to points on the circumference of, (*hawks them* ~ *the café*; *station them* ~ *the field*; *seated* ~ *the table*). 7. In various directions from or with regard to (*diffuses cheerfulness* ~ *her*; *shells bursting* ~ *me*). 8. Having as axis of revolution or central point (*turns* ~ *its centre of gravity*; *argue* ~ *&* ~ *subject*, not come to close quarters with it; *write book* ~ *a subject*). 9. So as to double or pass in curved course, having thus passed, in the position that would result from thus passing, (*go, be, find person*, ~ *the corner*; *get* ~). 10. *All* ~, *right* ~, ~ *d'* ~, emphatic forms of ~. [f. **ROUND**^{1, 2}]

round⁴, v.t. & i. 1. Invest with, assume, round shape (~ed eyes, mouth; *her form is* ~ing; ~ vowel, pronounce it with ~ed lips; ~ off or ~ the angles, make them less sharp; ~ dog's ears, crop them). 2. Bring to complete or symmetrical or well-ordered state (often off; ~ off or ~ a sentence, estate, career). 3. Gather up (cattle, & transf.) by riding round, whence ~-up n. 4. Pass round, double, (cape etc.). 5. Turn (t. & i.) round (rare, chiefly Naut.; ~ed on his heel to look at me; ~ boat off etc., turn her to meet wave etc.; *ship* ~s to, comes to wind & heaves to). 6. ~ on, make unexpected retort to (friend etc.), (of informer) peach upon. [f. **ROUND**^{1, 2}]

|| **round**⁴, v.i. & t. (arch.). Whisper (t. & i.; chiefly w. double obj.), as ~ed him in the ear that, told him secretly that. [OE *rūtan* (rūn swun)]

roundel, n. Small disk, esp. decorative

medallion etc.; rondeau or rondel. [f. OF **rondel**, see **ROUND**¹, -LE(2)]

roun'delay, n. Short simple song with refrain; bird's song. [f. F **rondelet** (RONDEL, -ET¹) w. assim. to LAY¹]

roun'der, n. In vbl senses of **ROUND**⁴; || also, (pl.) game with bat & ball between two sides with ~ (or complete run of player through all the bases arranged in a round) as unit of scoring. [**ROUND**⁴, ~-ER¹]

roun'dly, adv. In thorough-going manner (*go* ~ *to work*); bluntly, with plain speech, without qualification, severely, (*told him* ~ *that he would not*; ~ asserts that it is true; *was* ~ *abused*); in circular way (~ oval; *swells out* ~). [-LY²]

|| **roup**¹ (rowp), v.t., & n. (Sc. & north.). 1. Sell by auction. 2. n. An auction. [n. f. vb (orig. sense shout), cf. Icel. *raupa* boast]

roup¹ (rōöp), n. Kinds of poultry-disease (a) with swelling on rump, (b) with purulent catarrh. Hence **rou'pr**¹ (rō-) a. [(a) etym. dub., (b) perh. imit. of hoarse breathing]

|| **rouse**¹ (-z), n. (arch.). Draught of liquor, bumper, toast, revel, drinking-bout, (*take one's* ~, carouse; *give a* ~, propose or drink toast). [prob. for CAROUSE, perh. f. wrong division of *drink carouse*]

rouse¹ (-z), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Startle (game) from lair or cover. 2. Wake or stir up or startle (person) from sleep or inactivity or confidence or carelessness (often up, from, out of, to action, to energy, to do, etc.; ~ oneself, overcome one's indolence; *wants rousing*, is indolent; *a rousing cheer, song, sermon, lie*). 3. Provoke temper of, inflame with passion, (*is terrible when* ~d). 4. Evoke (feelings). 5. Stir (liquid, esp. beer while brewing). 6. (Naut.) haul vigorously in, out, up. 7. Cease to sleep, become active, (usu. up). 8. n. (mil.). || The reveille. [orig. as hunting term; etym. dub.]

rouse² (-z), **rōōse** (-z), v.t. Sprinkle (herring etc.) with salt in curing. [earlier *arrouse* f. OF *arrouser* f. L *AD* (rare f. *ros* roria dew)]

rouser (-z), n. In vbl senses of **ROUSE**²; esp.: implement for rousing beer; outrageous or rousing lie. [-ER¹]

Rousseau'ism (rōōsō-), n. (Adherence to) views on religion, politics, education, etc., of Jean Jacques Rousseau, French author 1712-78. So ~IAN, ~ISM¹, ~AN, aa., ~IST(2), ~ITE(1), nn. & aa. [-ISM]

Roussillon (rōōsōyāwā'), n. A red wine. [-, old French province]

roust'about, n. *Wharf labourer, deck hand; (Austral., also *rouseabout*) handy man. [f. dial. & U.S. *roust* rout out]

rout¹, n., & v.t. 1. Assemblage or company esp. of revellers or rioters, (Law) assemblage of three or more persons engaged in unlawful act; riot, tumult,

disturbance, clamour, fuss. 2. (arch.). || Large evening party or reception (~seat, light bench hired out for ~s). 3. Disorderly retreat of defeated army or troops (put to ~, utterly defeat). 4. v.t. Put to ~. [f. OF ROUTE in senses obs. in F]

root², v.i. & t. =ROOT³; also, force or fetch out (of bed or from bed or house or hiding-place). [var. of ROOT³]

route (rūt, mil. freq. rowt), n., & v.t. 1. Way taken in getting from starting-point to destination; (Mil.) marching orders (get, give, the ~), column of ~, formation of troops on the march, ~march, training march of battalion etc.; en ~ (F; pr. ahn), on the way (is, did it, en ~). 2. v.t. Send, forward, direct to be sent, by a certain ~. [F (now=road), f. L *rupta* (via way) fem. p.p. of *rumpere* break, with other senses in OF, see ROUT¹]

routine¹ (rūtēn), n. Regular course of procedure, unvarying performance of certain acts; (attrib.) performed by rule (~e duties etc.). Hence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., (-ēn⁴). [F (prec., -INE⁴)]

rove¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Wander without settled destination, roam, ramble (roving sailor, kinds of creeper), (of eyes) look in changing directions; wander over or through; roving commission, authority given to person(s) conducting an inquiry to travel as may be necessary; (Angling) troll with live bait. 2. n. Act of roving (esp. on the ~). [orig. term in archery = shoot at casual mark with range not determined; etym. dub.]

rove², n., & v.t. 1. Sliver of cotton, wool, etc., drawn out & slightly twisted. 2. v.t. Form into ~s; hence RÖV^{er}1 [-ER¹] n. [f.]

rove³, n. Small metal plate or ring for rivet to pass through & be clinched over. [f. ON rō]

rove⁴. See REEVE³.

röve^{er}2 (for rover¹ see ROVE³), n. 1. (Archery) mark chosen at undetermined range, also mark for long-distance shooting, (usu. shoot at ~s); wanderer; (Croquet) ball that has passed all hoops but not pegged out, its owner. 2. Sea robber, pirate; senior boy scout. [1 f. ROVE¹, -ER¹; 2 MDu. (roven rob cogn. w. REAVE, -ER¹)]

row¹ (rō), n. Number of persons or things in a more or less straight line (in a ~, ~s, so arranged); ~ of houses, street with this on one or each side (|| often in street names); || the Row, ROTTEN ROW; line of seats in theatre etc. (in the front, third, etc., ~); ~ of plants in garden (*a hard ~ to hoe, difficult task). [OE *rāw*, cf. G

race, a few strokes, a fast stroke, 30 to the minute); ~ race with; ~ down, overtake in ~ing, esp. bumping, race; ~ out, exhaust by ~ing (the crew were completely ~ed out at the finish); be oarsman of specified number in boat (~s 5 in the Oxford crew); (of boat) be fitted with (so many oars); ~boat, ~ing-boat. 2. n. Speil of ~ing, boat-excursion. Hence ~ER¹ (rō'er) n. [OE *rōwan*, cf. Du. *roeijen*, ON *rōa*; cogn. w. L *remus*, Gk *eremon*, oar]

row², n., & v.t. (colloq.). 1. Disturbance, commotion, noise, dispute, (what's the ~?, what is the matter?; make, kick up a ~, raise noise, also make protest); shindy, free fight, (town-d-gown ~); being reprimanded (shall get into a ~). 2. v.t. Reprimand, rate; hence ~ING¹(1) n. [from 1787; etym. dub.]

row^{an} (rō-, row-), n. (Sc. & north.). (Scarlet berry of) mountain ash (also ~tree). [f. Scand. (Sw. *rōn*, Icel. *reymir*)]

row-de-dow¹, n. Din, uproar. [imit.]

rowd¹/y, n. & a. Rough & disorderly & noisy (person); so ~y-dowdy a. Hence ~INESS, ~YISM(2), nn., ~YISH¹(2) a. [U.S., etym. dub.; orig. sense *backwoodsman*]

row^{el}, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Spiked revolving disk at end of spur (vb, urge with ~). 2. Circular piece of leather etc. with hole in centre inserted between horse's skin & flesh to discharge humours (vb, insert ~ in). [f. OF *rouet* f. *roue* f. L *rota* wheel. -LE(2)]

row^{lock} (rül-), n. Pair of thole-pins or other contrivance on boat's gunwale serving as fulcrum for oar. [prob. assim. of earlier *oarlock*, OE *drloc* (OAR, LOCK²), to ROW²]

Röx^{burghe} (-ūru), n. Style of book-binding with plain leather gilt-lettered backs, cloth or paper slides, & leaves with untrimmed edges & bottoms. [Duke of ~ 1740-1804]

roy^{al}, a. & n. 1. Of, from, suited to, worthy of, belonging to family of, in service or under patronage of, a king or queen (after its noun in some phrr., as the blood ~, ~ family, RHYME¹ ~, PRINCESS R~, cf. R~ Princess used of any of ~ family; ~ charter, warrant, etc.; the ~ anger, hands, etc., the sovereign's; R~ ACADEMY; R~ AIR¹ Force; R~ Armoured Corps, armoured fighting vehicles and tanks; R~ Army ORDNANCE Corps; R~ Army Service Corps, commissariat and transport branch of army; R~ Artillery; ~ blue, a deep pure vivid shade; ~ burgh, holding charter from Crown; R~ Corps of Signals, army organization dealing with communication in the field; R~ Courts of Justice, building in Strand, London, in which superior courts of law & appeal are held; R~ Electrical & Mechanical Engineers, instituted in 1942 to do some of the work previously done by the R~ Army Ordnance Corps

& the R~ Army Service Corps; R~ *Engineers*, engineer branch of army; ~ *evil*, = KING's evil; R~ *Exchange*, building in Cornhill, London, for dealings between merchants; R~ *Flying Corps*, now absorbed by R~ Air Force; R~ *HIGHNESS*; R~ *HORSE*¹ *Artillery*; R~ *HUMANE Society*; R~ *Institution*, founded 1799 for diffusion of scientific knowledge; R~ *Irish Constabulary*, Imperial semi-military police in Ireland, disbanded 1921; R~ *Marine Artillery*; R~ *Marine Light Infantry*, now united in R~ *Marines*, soldiers serving on warships; R~ *Military Academy*, formerly at Woolwich for Engineer & Artillery cadets, R~ *Military College*, formerly at Sandhurst for infantry & cavalry cadets, now amalgamated into R~ *Military Academy* at Sandhurst; R~ *Naval Air Service*, former naval branch of R~ Air Force; R~ *Naval Division*, military force raised in the 1914-18 war from surplus sailors & marines; R~ *Naval Reserve*, drawn from mercantile marine; R~ *Naval Volunteer Reserve*, drawn from landmen used to the sea; R~ *Navy*: ~ *oak*, in which Charles II hid after Worcester; R~ *Observer Corps*, civilian organization for observing aircraft; ~ *ROAD to*; R~ *SOCIETY*; ~ *standard*, square banner with ~ arms; 2. Kingly, majestic, stately, splendid, first-rate, on great scale, of exceptional size etc., (~ *magnanimity*; *gave us ~ entertainment*; *in ~ spirits*; *had a ~ time*; BATTLE¹ ~; ~ *paper*, 24 × 19 in. for writing & 25 × 20 for printing; ~ *octavo* etc., folded from this; ~ *fern*, osmund; ~ *slag*, with head of 12 or more points; ~ *sail, mast*, above topgallant sail & mast; ~ *arch*, degree in free-masonry; hence ~ *LY*² *adv.* 3. n. Member of ~ family (colloq.); ~ *stag*: ~ *sail* or *mast*; *the R~s*, the R~ Scots, (also) the R~ Marines. [f. OF *royal* f. L *regalis* (rex king, -AL)]

roy'al|ist, n. 1. Monarchist, supporter of monarchy as an institution or of the royal side in civil war etc. (also attrib.). 2. *Die-hard (esp. in phr. *economic ~ist*). So ~ *ISM*(3) n., ~ *IS*¹ *tic* a. [-IST]

roy'al|ty, n. 1. Office or dignity or power of king or queen, sovereignty; royal persons; member of royal family (usu. in pl.); (usu. in pl.) prerogative(s) or privilege(s) of the sovereign. 2. Royal right (now esp. over minerals) granted by sovereign to individual or corporation; (hist.) lessee's payment to land-owner for privilege of working mine; sum paid to patentee for use of patent or to author etc. for each copy of his book etc. sold. [f. OF *royalté* (ROYAL, -TY)]

|| **Roy'ston crow** (-ō), n. Hooded or grey crow. [place-name]

rūb¹, v.t. & i. (-bb-), & n. 1. Subject to friction, slide one's hand or an object along over or up & down the surface of (~ one's *hands*, each with the other usu.

in sign of keen satisfaction; ~ *shoulders*, come into contact with other people; ~ *noses*, of some savages, greet each other; ~ *the wrong way*, stroke against the grain, irritate or repel as by stroking cat upwards). 2. Polish, clean, abrade, chafe, make dry, sore, bare, etc., by ~bing. 3. Reproduce design of (sepulchral brass or stone) by ~bing paper laid on it with coloured chalk etc., whence ~ *b'ing* (2) n. 4. Slide (hand, object) against or on or over something, (objects) together or together, with friction. 5. Bring (stain etc.) out, (nap etc., or fig. novelty, shyness, etc.) off or away, force (liment etc., or fig. lesson, humiliating fact, etc.) in or into, reduce to powder etc., force through sieve, bring size or level of down, spread (ointment etc.) over, groom (horse, oneself) down, freshen or brush (tarnished object, or fig. one's memory, Greek, etc.) up, mix (chocolate, pigment, etc.) up into paste, by ~bing lit. or fig. 6. Come into or be in sliding contact, exercise friction, against or on. 7. (Of bowl) be retarded or diverted by unevenness of ground, (fig., of person, process, etc.) go on, along, through, with more or less restraint or difficulty. 8. (Of cloth, skin, etc.) get frayed or worn or sore or bare with friction. 9. ~ *stone*, (piece of) stone used for sharpening, smoothing, etc. 10. n. Spell of ~bing (*give it a ~, ~up, ~down*, etc.). 11. (Bowls) inequality of ground impeding or diverting bowl, the being diverted etc. by this (prov., *those who play at bowls must look for ~s*); (transf.) impediment or difficulty (*there's the ~*, that is the point at which doubt or difficulty arises; *the ~s & worries of life*); (Golf) ~ of or on the green, accidental interference with course or position of ball. [etym. dub.; cf. LG *rubben*]

rub². See RUBBER¹.

rūb'a-dūb, n., & v.i. (Make) rolling sound of drum. [imit.]

rūba'tō (rōbbah-), a. & n. (mus.). (*Tempo*) ~, time varied for expression. [It., = robbed]

rūbb'er¹, n., & v.t. In vbl senses; also or esp.: masseur or masseuse; Turkish-bath attendant; implement used for, part of machine operating by, rubbing; caoutchouc or india~ (often attrib.; vb. coat with ~); superior soft brick that can be rubbed down to any desired shape; (~pl.) galoshes; ~ *neck* (sl.), gaping sightseer, inquisitive person. [-ER¹, india~ sense from use in rubbing out pencil-marks]

rūbb'er², n. Three successive games between same sides or persons at whist, bridge, cribbage, backgammon, etc. (*have a ~ of whist* etc. or a ~); *the ~* (also abbr. *the rub*), winning of two games in ~, third game when each side has won one. [etym. dub.; as term in bowls from c. 1600; in early use often a *rubbers*]

rubb'ish, *n.* & *int.* Waste material, debris, refuse, litter; worthless material or articles, trash, (*a good riddance of bad ~*, esp. at departure of person one dislikes), absurd ideas or suggestions, nonsense (often as excl. of contempt), whence ~Y² & colloq. in same sense ~ing, *aa.* [ME *roboues*, *robeux*, perh. AF pl. of foll.]

rubb'ble, *n.* Waste fragments of stone, brick, etc., from old houses; pieces of undressed stone used, esp. as filling-in, for walls; (Geol.) loose angular stones etc. as covering of some rocks, also water-worn stones. Hence **rubb'ly**² *a.* [cf. Icel. *rubb(i)* refuse]

***rube** (rōb), *n.* (colloq.). Country bumpkin, hick. [abbr. of *Reuben*]

rub'efy, -ify, (rō-), *v.t.* Make red; (Med., of counter-irritant) stimulate (skin etc.) to redness, so **rub'efac'ient** (-shent) *a.* &, see -ENT(2), *n.*, **rub'efac'tion** *n.*, (rō-). [ult. f. L *rubefacere* (rubēre) to red, -FY]

rub'icille (rō-), *n.* Orange-red precious stone, kind of spinel ruby. [F, prob. dim. of *rubis* or *rubace* RUBY]

Ru'bicon (rō-), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. *The boundary by passing which one becomes committed to an enterprise (usu. pass or cross the ~).* 2. (*r~*; Piquet) winning of game before opponent has scored 100; (*v.t.*) defeat (opponent) thus. [name of stream limiting Caesar's province & crossed by him before war with Pompey]

rub'icund (rō-), *a.* (Of face, complexion, or person in these respects) ruddy, high-coloured. Hence ~ITY (-itē) *n.* [f. L *rubicundus* (rubere) to be red, -ND¹]

rubid'ium (rō-), *n.* Soft silvery metallic element grouped with caesium, lithium, potassium, & sodium. [L *rubidus* red (*w. ref.* to spectrum lines), -IUM]

rub'iginous (rō-), *a.* Rust-coloured. [L *rubigo -inis* rust, -OUS]

rub'ious (rō-), *a.* (poet.). Ruby-coloured. [-OUS]

rub'ric (rō-), *n.* 1. Heading of chapter, section, etc., also special passage or sentence, written or printed in red or in special lettering. 2. Direction for conduct of divine service (prop. in red) inserted in liturgical book, whence ~AL *a.*, ~ALLY² *adv.*, **rubri'cian** (-ishn), ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), *nn.*, (rō-). 3. (Red-letter entry in) calendar of saints (now rare). [f. L *rubrica* (rubere) red]

rub'ricāte (rō-), *v.t.* Mark with, print or write in, red; furnish with rubrics. Hence ~A'TION, ~ATOR², *nn.* [L *rubricare*, -ATE²]

rub'y (rō-), *n.* & *a.*, & *v.t.* 1. Rare precious stone (also *true* or *Oriental ~*) of colour varying from deep crimson or purple to pale rose (*balas*, *spinel*, ~, *stones* of less value resembling ~; above *rubies*, of inestimable value). 2. (Of) glowing purple-tinged red colour. 3. Red pimple

on nose or face. 4. Red wine; (Pugil.) blood. 5. A size of TYPE. 6. ~ *glass*, coloured with oxides of copper, iron, lead, tin, etc.; ~tail, insect of deep metallic bluish-green with upper side of abdomen bright red (also *Gold wasp*). 7. *v.t.* Dye or tinge ~colour. [f. OF *rubi(s)*, prob. ult. f. L *rubere* red]

ruche (rōsh, & see Ap.), *n.* Frill or quilling of gauze, lace, etc. Hence **ruched**² (rōsh) *a.* [F]

ruck¹, *n.* Main body of competitors left out of the running. [earlier senses *stack of fuel*, *heap*, *large quantity*; perh. cogn. w. RICK¹]

ruck², || **rūc'kle**¹, *nn.*, & *vv.i.* & *t.* Crease, wrinkle, (as *vb* usu. ~ *up*). [ruck *vb* f. *h.*, f. ON *hrukka*; *ruckle* f. *ruck*, -LE(3)]

rūc'kle², *v.i.*, & *n.* (Make) gurgling sound esp. in throat of dying person. [f. Scand. (Norw. dial. *rukla* vb)]

ru'cksäck (rō-), *n.* Bag slung by straps from both shoulders & resting on back for carrying walker's or climber's necessities. [G]

rūc'tion, *n.* (sl.). Disturbance, tumult, row, (*there will be ~s*, things will not be allowed to proceed quietly). [from 1825; etym. dub.]

rūdbēck'ia, *n.* (Kinds of) composite garden plant of the aster family native to N. America. [f. *Rudbeck*, surname of two Swedish botanists (c. 1700), -IA¹]

rūdd, *n.* Freshwater fish resembling roach, red-eye. [prob. f. obs. *rud* red colour; cogn. w. RED]

rūdd'er, *n.* Broad flat wooden or metal piece hinged to vessel's stern-post for steering with, (fig.) guiding principle etc.; (Brewing) paddle for stirring malt in mash-tub; ~fish, kinds that follow ships. Hence ~LESS *a.* [OE *rōðer*, cf. Du. *roer*, G *ruder*, f. st. of row²]

rūd'dle, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Red ochre, esp. of kind used for marking sheep. 2. *v.t.* Mark or colour (as) with ~. [as RUDD]

rūdd'ock, *n.* Robin redbreast. [OE *rud-dūc* (RUDD, -OCC)]

rūdd'ij, *a.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. (Of face or its owner) freshly or healthily red, rosy, (~ *health*, *youth*, etc., marked by ~iness); (of light, fire, sky, object lighted up, etc., also in animal names as ~y *plover*, *squirrel*) reddish; || (sl.) bloody, damnable; hence ~ILY² *adv.*, ~INESS *n.* 2. *vb.* Make or grow ~y. [OE *rudig* (*rud* see RUDD, -Y²)]

rude (rōd), *a.* 1. Primitive, simple, unsophisticated, in natural state, rugged, unimproved, uncivilized, uneducated, roughly made or contrived or executed, coarse, artless, wanting subtlety or accuracy, (~ *times*, *men*, *simplicity*, *ignorance*, *chaos*; ~ *produce*, *ore*; ~ *scenery*; ~ *plough*, *beginnings*, *methods*; ~ *path*, *verses*, *drawing*; ~ *fare*, *plenty*; ~ *writer*, *style*; ~ *observer*, *version*, *classification*).

2. Violent, not gentle, unrestrained, startling, sudden, abrupt, (~ *passions, blast, shock, awakening, reminder*). 3. Vigorous, hearty, (~ *health*). 4. Insolent, impertinent, offensive, (~ *remarks; say ~ things; be ~ to, insult*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, (colloq.) ru'DERRY(4), nn., ru'd-ISH¹(2) a., (rōō-). [f. *L rudis*]

Rudesheimer (rōōdēs-hī-), n. A white Rhine wine. [G (*Rū-*)]

rudiment (rōō-), n. (Pl.) elements or first principles of or of knowledge or some subject; (pl.) imperfect beginning of something that will develop or might under other conditions have developed, (sing.) part or organ imperfectly developed as having no function (e.g. the breast in males). Hence **rudimen'tal** (rare), **rudimen'tary**¹, aa., (rōō-). [f. *L rudimentum* (RUDE, -MENT)]

rue¹ (rōō), v.t., & n. 1. Repent of, bitterly feel the consequences of, wish undone or unbecome, (*you shall ~ it; ~ the day, hour, etc., when —*). 2. n. (arch.). Repentance, dejection at some occurrence, whence (in ordinary & esp. joc. use) ~FUL (rōōf-) a. (*Knight of the ~ful countenance*, Don Quixote), ~FULLY² adv., ~FULNESS n.; compassion, ruth. [OE *hrēowian*], cf. Du. *rouwen*], G. *reuen*)]

rue² (rōō), n. Perennial evergreen shrub with bitter strong-scented leaves formerly used in medicine. [F, f. *L ruta* f. Gk *rhutē*]

rue-raddy (rōō-), n. Belt or rope passed over shoulder to drag something with. [?]

rufes'cent (rōō-), a. (zool. etc.). Reddish. [*L rufescere* (*rufus* red, -ESCENT)]

ruff¹, n. 1. Deep projecting frill of several folds of linen or muslin starched & separately goffered worn round neck esp. in 16th c.; projecting or conspicuously coloured ring of feathers or hair round bird's or beast's neck; whence (-)~ED² (-ft) a. 2. Kind of domestic pigeon. [perh. shortened f. RUFFLE]

ruff², n. (fem. reeve). Bird of sandpiper kind of which male has RUFF¹ & ear-tufts in breeding season. [perh. f. prec.; but the fem. apparently made from it by vowel change (cf. *fox vixen*) suggests that it is an older wd & separate]

ruff³, n. Small freshwater fish of perch family with prickly scales. [perh. f. ROUGH]

ruff⁴, n., & v.i. & t. Trump(ing) at cards; (also *cross* or *double* ~) state of game in which partners out of different suits give each other alternate chances of trumping. [perh. f. *ruff* obs. card-game f. OF *roffe*, *ronffe*, perh. corrupt. of *trionphe* TRUMP, cf. TRUMP²]

ruff'ian, n. Brutal violent lawless turbulent person, desperado, bully, rough. Hence ~IAN(2) n., ~LY¹ a. [OF, cf. Pr. & Sp. *ruffian*, It. *ruffiano*, etym. dub.]

ruff'le, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Disturb smooth-

ness or tranquillity of (feathers, hair, water, temper or person in regard to it, brow; *bird ~es up its feathers*, in anger or to keep off cold; *nothing ever ~ed him*); (of sea, hair, temper, etc.; rare) suffer ~ing, lose smoothness or calmness; swagger about, behave arrogantly or quarrelsomely, whence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Perturbation, bustle, (rare; *without ~e or excitement*); rippling effect on water; ornamental gathered or goffered frill of lace etc. worn at opening of garment esp. about wrist or breast or neck, RUFF¹ of bird etc., whence ~ED² (-feld) a.; (now rare) a contention, dispute; (Mil.) vibrating drum-beat. [etym. dub.; cf. LG *ruffelen* crumple, goffer; senses *swagger, contention, drum-beat*, perh. independent]

ru'fious (rōō-), a. (chiefly nat.-hist.). Reddish-brown. So ~I-, ~O-, comb. forms. [*L rufus*, -OUS]

rüg, n. 1. Large wrap or coverlet of thick woollen stuff. 2. Floor-mat of shaggy material or thick pile, esp. (often hearth-~) laid down before fireplace. [perh. f. Scand. (Norw. dial. *rugga* coverlet, Sw. *rugg* ruffled hair)]

Rügbe'ian (-bēan), n. & a. (Member) of Rugby School.

Rüg'bý, n. ~ *football* or ~, also **rüg'g'er**¹ (-g-) n. (sl.), one of the two chief forms of football, distinguished from *Association* or *soccer* esp. by players' being permitted to carry the ball & to hold opponent doing this; ~ *Union*, of clubs using ~ football rules. [~ *school*]

rüg'g'ed (-g-), a. Of rough uneven surface (~ *bark*; ~ *ground, country*, full of abrupt ups & downs, craggy, wooded, etc.; ~ *features*, strongly marked, of irregular outline); unsoftened, unpolished, lacking gentleness or refinement, harsh in sound, austere, unbending, involving hardship, (~ *manners, grandeur, kindness, honesty, character, verse, times, life*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [prob. f. Scand., cogn. w. RUG, RAG¹, ROUGH]

rugger. See RUGBY.

rugose¹ (rōō-), a. (chiefly nat.-hist.). Wrinkled, corrugated. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ru'GATE², ru'GOUS, aa., RUGOS'ITY n., (rōō-). [f. *L rugosus* (*ruga* wrinkle, -OSE¹)]

ru'in (rōō-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Downfall or fallen or wrecked or impaired state, lit. (of building or structure; *the crash of ~; tumble, lie, lay, in ~*) or fig. (*the ~ of my hopes; bring to ~*, complete loss of property or position; *dates her ~ from his arrival*; RACK¹ & ~); (often pl.) what remains of building, town, structure, etc., or fig. of person, that has suffered ~ (*the ~s of Rome*, remains of ancient Rome or of the Roman imperial system; *is but the ~ of what he was; lies in ~s; is a ~; lives in an old ~*); that causes ~, destroying agency, havoc, (*will be the ~ of us*; BLUE¹ ~;

raptine & red ~), so [f. obs. *ruinate* vb] **ruina**'TION (rōō-) n. 2. vb. Reduce (place) to ~s (esp. in p.p.); bring to ~ (*her extravagance ~ed him*; so ~ oneself; ~ girl, seduce her; ~ one's new hat, prospects); (poet.) fall headlong or with a crash. [f. F *ruine(r)* f. (vb thr. mod. L *ruinare*) L *ruina* (*ruere* fall, -INE⁴)]

ru'inous (rōō-), a. In ruins, dilapidated; bringing ruin, disastrous, (~ *folly, expense*), whence ~LY² adv. Hence ~NESS n. [f. L *ruinosus* (proc., -OSM¹)]

rule (rōōl), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Principle to which action or procedure conforms or is bound or intended to conform, dominant custom, canon, test, standard, normal state of things, (*deduce ~s of action*; the ~s of decorum, cricket, etc.; ~ of the ROAD¹; *there was a ~ that —*; *standing ~*, made by corporation to govern its procedure; ~ of thumb, based on experience or practice, not theory, often ~-of-thumb attrib.; ~ of three, method of finding number that bears same ratio to one given as exists between two others given, also attrib., as ~-of-three sum; GOLDEN ~; *by ~*, in regulation manner, mechanically; WORK ~ to ~; *hard & fast ~*, rigid formula; EXCEPTION proves ~; *large families are the exception not the ~*; as a ~, usually, more often than not). 2. Sway, government, dominion, (*bear ~*, hold sway; *under British ~*; the ~ of force; *entrusted with the ~ of half the tribe*). 3. (Ecc.) code of discipline observed by religious order. 4. (Law) order made by judge or court w. ref. to particular case only (~ *NISI*; ~ absolute, making ~ nisi no longer contingent). 5. (Hist.) the ~s, limited area outside Fleet & King's-Bench prisons in which prisoners were allowed to live on certain terms. 6. Graduated often jointed straight measure used by carpenters etc. (often foot-~, 2 ft ~, etc.). 7. (Print.) thin slip of metal for separating headings, columns, etc., also short (*en ~*) or long (*em ~*) dash in punctuation etc. 8. ~ joint, of kind usual in jointed carpenter's ~; hence ~LESS (rōōl-l-) a. 9. vb. Exercise sway or decisive influence over, keep under control, curb, (person, conduct, one's passions; *ruling passion*, motive that habitually directs one's actions); (pass.) consent to follow advice, be guided by. 10. Be the ruler(s) or have the sovereign control of or over, bear ~, (~ the ROAST; ~s over many millions; *kings should ~ by love*). 11. (Of prices, or goods etc. in regard to them or to quality etc.) have a specified general level, be for the most part, (*corn, prices, the market, ~d high* etc.; *crops ~ good*; *ruling prices*, those current). 12. Give judicial or authoritative decision (usu. *that*; also ~ person or thing out of order; ~ out, exclude, pronounce irrelevant or intelligible), whence ru'ling¹(2) (rōō-) n. 13.

Make parallel lines across (paper), make (straight line), with ruler or mechanical help. [f. OF *riule(r)* f. L *regula, regulare*, see REGULAR]

ru'ler (rōō-), n. 1. Person or thing bearing (esp. sovereign) rule (often of), whence ~SHIP n. 2. Straight strip or cylinder usu. of wood used in ruling paper or lines. [-ER¹]

|| **rüll'ey, rōl-**, n. (pl. ~s). Flat four-wheeled dray, lorry. [?]

rūm¹, n. 1. Spirit distilled from sugarcane; ~SHRUB². 2. *Any intoxicating liquor (usu. with hostile sense); ~runner (colloq.), smuggler of intoxicants, or ship engaged in the traffic; ~tow (colloq.), position outside the prohibited area taken up by ~running vessels. [formerly *rumbullion, rumbustion, rumbo*, etym. dub.]

rūm², rūmm'y¹, aa. (sl.). Odd, strange, queer; ~ customer, (esp.) person or animal that is dangerous to meddle with; ~ start (sl.), surprising occurrence. Hence rūm¹LY², rūmm'ily², adv., rūm¹NESS, rūmm'INESS, nn. [10th-c. cant, orig. = *fine, spirited*, perh. var. of ROM; -Y¹]

Ruman(ian). See R(0)UMAN(IAN).

Rumansh. See ROMANSH.

rūm'ba (or rōō-), n. Cuban negro dance; ballroom dance imitative of this. [Sp.]

rūm'ble¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make sound (as) of thunder, earthquake, heavy cart, air in the bowels, etc.; go along, by, etc., making or in vehicles making such sound; utter, say out, give forth, with such sound. 2. n. Rumbling sound; hind part of carriage arranged as extra seat or for luggage; ~tumble, lumbering vehicle, rough motion. [ME *romblen*, cf. Du. *rommelen*, G *rummeln*, prob. imit.]

|| **rūm'ble**², v.t. (sl.). Get to the bottom of, see through, detect. [?]

rūmbūs'tious, a. (colloq.). Boisterous, uproarious. [perh. var. of ROBUSTIOUS]

Rumelote. See R(0)UMELIOTE.

ru'mēn (rōō-), n. Ruminant's first STOMACH. [L. = throat]

ru'minant (rōō-), n. & a. 1. Animal that chews cud. 2. adj. Belonging to the ~s; contemplative, given to or engaged in meditation. [foll., -ANT]

ru'mināte (rōō-), v.i. & t. Chew the cud; meditate, ponder, (l., rarely t.; often over, about, of, on), whence or cogn. ~ATIVE a., ~atively² adv., ~ATOR² n. So ~A'TION (rōō-) n. [f. L *ruminari* (RUMEN), -ATE³]

rūmm'agle, v.t. & i. 1. n. 1. Ransack (ship, house, pockets, records, book), make search in or in, make search; fish out or up from among other things; disarrange, throw about, in searching. 2. n. Things got by ~ing, miscellaneous accumulation; ~ing, search (esp. of ship by Customs officer); ~e sale, clearance sale of unclaimed articles at docks etc., sale of odds & ends contributed to raise money

for charity bazaar. [n. in mod. senses f. vb; vb orig. f. n. in obs. sense *arranging of casks etc. in hold*, f. OF *arrumage* (now *arri-*) f. *arrumer* etym. dub.]

rūmm'er, n. Large drinking-glass. [f. Wilem. *rummer* or Du. *romer* or G *römer* perh. = Roman glass]

rummy¹. See **rum**².

rūmm'y², n. Simple card game resembling COON-CAN, played with two packs. [?]

rumour (rōm'er), n., & v.t. 1. General talk, report, or hearsay, of doubtful accuracy; *a or the current but unverified statement or assertion* (often *that, of*). 2. v.t. (usu. in pass.). Report by way of (~ *it is ~ed that—*; *he is ~ed to be etc.*; *the ~ed disaster*). [OF. f. L *rumorem* nom. -or]

rūmp, n. 1. Tail-end, posterior, buttocks, of beast or bird or rarely of person, whence (of tailless fowl) ~LESS a. 2. Small or contemptible remnant of a parliament or similar body, esp. the *16~* (hist.), that of Long Parliament either after its restoration 1659 or from Pride's Purge 1648 to its first dissolution 1653. 3. ~ *steak*, cut from ox's ~. [prob. f. Scand. (Da. *rump*e, Sw. & Norw. *rumpa*)]

rūm'ple, v.t. Wrinkle, crease, touse, disorder, (fabric, leaves, garment, hair, etc.). [cf. MDu. *rompelen*, MLG *rumpen*]

rūmpus, n. (sl.). Disturbance, brawl, row, uproar. [?]

|| **rūm'p'y**, n. Manx tailless cat. [BUMP, -y¹]

rūm'-tūm', n. Light sculling-boat on lower Thames. [?]

rūn¹, v.i. & t. (*rán, rún*; p.p. rarely as -ED¹(2), as a *fresh-~ salmon*). 1. General senses. 1. (Of men) progress by advancing each foot alternately never having both on ground at once (cf. WALK¹; ~ *ning jump*, in which jumper ~s to the take-off); (of animals) go at quicker than walking pace, amble, trot, canter, gallop, etc. 2. (Start to) cross cricket pitch to score run. 3. Flee, abscond, (chiefly now in ~ *for it, cut & ~ sl.*; ~ *ning fight*, Naut., kept up by retreating ship or fleet with pursuer). 4. Go or travel hurriedly, precipitately, etc. (~ *to meet one's troubles*, anticipate them; ~ *riot*; ~ *to help another*; ~ *over or down or up*, to place for flying visit; *he who ~s may read*, said of easily intelligible exposition etc.). 5. Be allowed to grow or stray wild. 6. Compete in or in race (~ *second etc.*, come in so); seek election etc. (for parliament, president, etc.). 7. (Of fish, ship, etc.) go straight & fast (a ~ *ning whale*; *salmon ~*, go up river from sea; *ship ~s before the wind, into port, ashore, on the rocks, foul of or aboard another*). 8. Advance (as) by rolling or on wheels, spin round or along, revolve (as) on axle, go with sliding or smooth or continuous or easy motion, be in action, work freely, be current or

operative, (*ball, carriage, wheel, spindle, sledge, time, ~s*; *rope ~s in pulley*; *his life ~s smoothly*; ~ *ning knot*, that slips along rope & enlarges or diminishes ~ *ning noose*; ~ *ning hand*, writing in which pen etc. is not lifted after each letter; *how your tongue ~s!*, how incessantly you talk!; *verse ~s*, is smooth; *tune ~s in head*, seems to be heard over & over again; *lease, contract, ~s for seven etc. years*; *play ran 100 nights*, was kept on stage; *courage ~s in the family*, is found in all members of it; *the works have ceased ~ning*; *place where writs do not ~*, are not valid or respected). 9. (Of public conveyance by land or water) ply (*from, to, between*); (of fire, news, enthusiasm, etc.) spread rapidly from point to point (*news ran like wild-fire*; *a cheer ran down the line*; ~ *ning fire*, successive shots from different points). 10. (Of colour in fabric) spread from the dyed to the undyed parts. 11. (Of thought, eye, memory, etc.) pass in transitory or cursory way (*thoughts ~ through one's head*; *eyes ~ over object*; ~ *ning commentary*, touching on a point here & there, broadcast report by eye-witness of ceremonial, sporting event, etc.; ~ *back over the past*, survey it summarily). 12. (Of liquid, grain, sand, etc., also of vessel containing or object emitting etc., & fig.) flow, be wet, drip, flow with, (*fill the blood ran*; *ran blood*; *fountains ~ wine*; *is ~ning with oil*; *tide ~s strong*; *river ~s clear, thick*; *feeling ran high*; *one's blood ~s cold*, he is horrified; *the sands are ~ning out*, time of grace etc. is nearly up; ~ *ning sore*, suppurating; *nose, eyes, ~*, drop mucus or tears; ~ *at the nose*; ~ *with sweat*; ~ *dry*, cease to flow, be exhausted; ~ *low, short*, become scanty; *candle ~s, gutters*). 13. Extend, be continuous, have a certain course or order, progress, proceed, have a tendency or common characteristic or average price or level, (*fence ~s round the house*; ~ *ning head-line, head, or title*, repeated or different heading of page; *whereof the memory of man ~neth not to the contrary*, phr. applied to immemorial tradition or custom; ~ *ning account*, = *current ACCOUNT*²; *road ~s at right angles to, along, the ridge*; *story, title, document, ~s in these words*; *must not ~ to extremes*; ~ *s to sentiment*; *our pears ~ big this year*, are so for the most part; *prices ~ high*; *oats ~ 44 lb. to the bushel*); (in part., placed after pl. n.) following each other without interval, in succession, (*happened three days, hit the bull's-eye seven times, ~ning*). 14. (With cogn. obj.) pursue, follow, traverse, cover, make way swiftly through or over, wander about in, perform, essay or be exposed or submit to, (course, way, race, a mile, run at cricket; *things must ~ their course*, be left to themselves; ~ *a scent*, follow it up; ~ *the streets*, be street

arab; ~ *errands, messages*, be a messenger; *the Derby was ~ in a snow-storm*; ~ *the GAUNTLET*¹; ~ *RISKS*; ~ *a chance of being*, may be; ~ *rapids*, shoot them; ~ *croquet-hoop*, send ball clear through it; ~ *BLOCKADE*¹. 15. Sew (fabric) slightly. 16. Chase, hunt, have ~*ing* race with, (~ *fox five miles*; ~ *to earth*, chase to its lair, & often fig.=discover after long search; *will ~ you for £50 a side*; ~ *one hard or close*, press him severely in race, competition, or comparative merit etc.). 17. (In causative senses) make ~ or go (~ *cattle* etc., turn out to graze; ~ *brandy* etc., smuggle it in by evading coastguard etc.; ~ *ship aground, to New York*; ~ *boat down to the water*; ~ *train through*; ~ *one's head against*; ~ *cart into wall*; ~ *sword, pin, into*; ~ *one's hand, eye, along, down, over*, something; ~ *rope through eyelet*; ~ *coach, steamer, business, person*, keep them going, manage them, conduct their operations; ~ *the show, sl.*, dominate in an undertaking etc.; ~ *horse*, send him in for race, so ~ *candidate*; ~ *metal into mould*; ~ *the water off*; ~ *parallel, smile*, etc., too far; *ran his fingers, comb, through his hair*; ~ *thing fine*, leave very little margin of time or amount concerning it). 18. ~ *'about*, (a.) roving, (n.) light motor-car; ~ *'away* n. & a., fugitive, bolting (horse), ~ *away match or marriage*, after elopement, ~ *away ring or knock*, given at door by practical joker who immediately makes off. 11. With prep. 1. ~ *across*, fall in with. 2. ~ *after*, pursue with attentions, seek society of, give much time to (pursuit etc.). 3. ~ *against*, fall in with. 4. ~ *at*, assail by charging or rushing. 5. ~ *in* (incur) *debt*. 6. ~ *into*, fall into (practice, absurdity, etc.), be continuous or coalesce with, have collision with, reach or attain (*some length, five editions*, etc.). 7. ~ *on*, be concerned with (*talk, mind*, ~ *on* a subject). 8. ~ *over*, review, glance over, peruse, recapitulate; touch (notes of piano etc.) in quick succession; (of vehicle) pass over (prostrate person). 9. ~ *through*, examine cursorily, peruse, deal successively with; consume (estate etc.) by reckless or quick spending, pervade. 10. ~ *to*, reach (amount, number, etc.); have money or ability or (of money etc.) be enough for (some expense or undertaking); fall into (ruin); (of plants) tend to develop chiefly (seed); (of persons) indulge inclination towards (coarseness etc.). 11. ~ *upon*, (of thoughts etc.) be engrossed by, dwell on; (of person) encounter suddenly. III. With adv. 1. ~ *about*, bustle, hurry from one person etc. to another, (esp. of children) play or wander without restraint. 2. ~ *away*, flee, abscond, elope; (of horse) bolt, (of horse or person) get clear away from competitors in race. 3. ~ *away with*, carry off (per-

son, stolen property, etc.); accept (notion) hastily; (of expense etc.) consume (money etc.); (of horse etc.) bolt with (rider, carriage or its occupants). 4. ~ *down*, (of clock etc.) stop for want of winding; (of person or his health etc.) become enfeebled from overwork, poor feeding, etc. (also in p.p. as *is, feels, much ~ down*); knock down or collide with (person, ship, etc.); overtake (game, person) in pursuit, discover after search; disparage. 5. ~ *in*, (of combatant) rush to close quarters; (Rugby footb.) carry ball over opponents' goal-line & touch it down; pay short visit (to person or house); (colloq.) arrest & take to prison; (colloq.) secure election of (candidate); bring (new machinery) into good working order by ~*ing* it. 6. ~ *off*, flee, flow away, digress suddenly; write or recite (poem, list, etc.) fluently; drain (liquid) off; decide (race) after tie or trial heats. 7. ~ *on*, be joined together (of written characters); continue in operation; elapse; speak volubly, talk incessantly; (Print.) begin (t. & l. of sentence etc.) in same line as what precedes. 8. ~ *out*, come to an end (of period, also of stock of something or its owner; ~ *out of*, exhaust one's stock of); escape from containing vessel; advance from block to hit ball in cricket; pass or be paid out (of rope); jut out; come out of contest in specified position etc. or complete required score etc.; complete (race); advance (gun etc.) so as to project; put down wicket of (batsman while ~*ing*); exhaust oneself by ~*ing*. 9. ~ *over*, overflow (of vessel or contents); recapitulate, review, glance over. 10. ~ *through*, pierce with sword etc.; draw line through (written words). 11. ~ *up*, grow quickly, rise in price, amount to; be *RUNNER-up*; accumulate (number, sum, debt) quickly; force (rival bidder) to bid higher, force up (price or commodity in that respect); erect (wall, house) to great height or in unsubstantial or hurried way; add up (column of figures). [ME *rinnen, rennen*, prob. f. ON *rinna*, cf. MDu. & G *rinnen*; OE has *rinnan* very rarely, & usu. the metathetic forms *irnan* intr. & *ernan* trans.]

run², n. 1. Act or spell of *RUN*'ning (*have a ~ for one's money*, get some enjoyment etc. out of expenditure or effort, orig. w. ref. to scratching of horse after bets; *had a good ~*, esp. in hunting or on ship, train, etc.; *on the ~*, fleeing, also hustling about; *at a ~*, running; *a ~ on the Continent, to Paris*, etc., short excursion or visit); distance travelled by ship in specific time (usu. 24 hours). 2. (Cricket) traversing of pitch by both batsmen without either's being put out, point scored thus or otherwise, notch. 3. Rhythmical motion, way things tend to move, direction, (*cannot get the ~*

of the metre, or of some process or operation, see how it goes; *the ~ of the market was against us*; *the ~ of the hills is NW.* 4. Rapid fall (*come down with a ~*, of building etc., person, mercury in barometer etc., prices, etc.). 5. (Mus.) rapid scale passage. 6. Continuous stretch or spell or course, long series or succession, general demand, (*a 500 ft ~ of pipe*; *a long ~ of power, office*; *a ~ of luck*; in the LONG¹ ~; *a ~ on the bank*, sudden demand from many customers for immediate payment; *~ on rubber, book*, etc., great demand for it; *so book etc. has a considerable ~*; *~ on the red* in rouge-et-noir, its coming many times running; *play has a ~ of 50 nights, a long ~*, etc.). 7. Common, general, average, or ordinary type or class (*the common ~ of men*, average men); class or line of goods; batch or drove of animals born or reared together, shoal of fish in motion. 8. Regular track of some animals, enclosure for fowls etc., range of pasture (usu. *sheep* etc. ~). 9. Trough for water to run in. 10. Part of ship's bottom narrowing towards stern. 11. Licence to make free use of (*allowed him the ~ of their books, house*; *the ~ of one's teeth*, free board). 12. (Of aircraft) flight on a straight and even course at a constant speed before or while dropping bombs (also *~ in* or *~ up*). 13. *~ in*, act of running in (see *proc.*) at football, see also sense 12; *~ off*, deciding race after dead heat; *~ up*, race between greyhounds up to hare's first turn, see also sense 12. [f. *prec.*]

rūn'agāte, n. (arch.). Vagabond. [assim. of RENEGADE to *run* & obs. *agate* away]

rūn'cinate, a. (bot.). Saw-toothed, with lobes curved towards base. [L *runcina* plane (wrongly supposed to be saw), -ATE²]

|| **rūn'dāle**, n. Joint occupation of (esp. Irish) land, each holder having several strips not contiguous. [RUN¹, obs. *dale* north. var. of DOLE¹]

rune (rōn), n. 1. Any letter of earliest Teutonic alphabet used esp. by Scandinavians & Anglo-Saxons, dating from as early as 2nd c. & formed by modifying Roman or Greek characters to suit carving; similar mark of mysterious or magic significance. 2. (Division of) Finnish poem. 3. *~ staff*, magic wand inscribed with ~s, also runic calendar. [f. ON *rūn*, cogn. w. OE *rūn* whisper, secret counsel, whence ROUND¹]

rūng¹, n. Short stick attached at each end as rail, spoke, or cross-bar in chair etc. or esp. in ladder (often fig., as *the lowest, topmost, ~ of Fortune's ladder*). Hence *~ED¹* (-gd), *~LESS*, aa. [OE *hrung*, cf. Du. *rong*, G *runge*]

rūng². See RING².

rū'nic (rō-), a. & n. 1. Of, in, marked with, runes; (of poetry etc.) of the ancient-

Scandinavian type; (of ornament) interlacing as on ~ monuments & metal-work. 2. n. ~ inscription; kinds of moth; (Print.) ornamental type of thick face & condensed form. [-10]

rūn'lét¹, n. (arch.). Cask of varying size for wine etc. [f. OF *rondelet* dim. of *rondelle* dim. of *ronde* (ROUND¹)]

rūn'lét², n. Small stream. [RUN³, -LET]

rūnn'el, n. Brook, rill; gutter. [OE *rynel* f. RUN¹, -LE(1)]

rūnn'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: 1. Messenger, scout, collector, or agent for bank etc., tout; (Hist., esp. BOW-STREET ~) police-officer. 2. The bird water-rail. 3. = BLOCKADE¹-. 4. Revolving millstone. 5. (Naut.) rope in single block with one end round tackle-block & other having hook. 6. Creeping stem that issues from main stem of strawberry etc. & takes root; kinds of twining bean, esp. SCARLET ~. 7. Ring etc. that slides on rod, strap, etc.; one of the long pieces of wood etc. on which sledge etc. slides, (blade of) FEN¹~-; groove or rod for thing to slide along; roller for moving heavy article. 8. ~-up, dog beaten only in final heat at coursing, competitor similarly beaten at golf etc. [-ER¹]

rūnn'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: (w. ref. to racing) *make, take up, the ~*, take the lead, set the pace, (lit. & fig. of talk etc.), *in, out of, the ~*, (of competitor) with good, no, chance of winning; *~ board*, footboard on either side of a locomotive, motor-car, etc.; *~ powers*, right granted by railway to another to run trains over its line. [-ING¹]

|| **rūn'rig**, n. (Sc.). = RUNDALE. [RUN¹, So. & north. *rig* RIDGE]

rūnt, n. Ox or cow of small esp. Scottish-Highland or Welsh breed; large breed of domestic pigeon. [f]

rūn'way, n. 1. Trail to animals' watering-place. 2. Incline down which logs are slid. 3. Gangway (usu. of special kind). 4. Specially prepared surface in airfield, for taking off and landing. [RUN¹]

rupee (rō-), n. Indian monetary unit & silver coin, par 1s. 6d. (pl. *abbr.* Rs; *Rz*, tens of ~s, in statistics etc.). [f. Hind. *rupyah* f. Skr. *rupya* wrought silver]

rūp'ture, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Breach of harmonious relations, disagreement & parting; (Path.) tumour formed by protrusion of part of an organ through breach in wall of containing cavity esp. in abdomen, hernia; breaking, breach. 2. vb. Burst, break, (cell, vessel, membrane); sever (connexion, marriage, etc.); affect with hernia; suffer ~. [f. L *ruptura* (*rumpere* *rupt*- break, -URE)]

rur'al (rō-), a. In, of, suggesting, the country (opp. URBAN), pastoral or agricultural, (~ DEAN¹; *in ~ seclusion*; ~ policeman, constituency, sports, etc.).

Hence *rural*'ity n., ~*ize*(2, 3) v.i. & t., ~*ize*'tion n., ~*ly*² adv. [f. L *ruralis* (*rus* *ruris* country, -AL)]

ruridécán'al (rūr-); also -dēk'ā-, a. Of rural DEAN¹ or deanery. [L *rus* (prec.), -i-]

Ruritān'ia (rūr-), n. Imaginary Central-European kingdom, the novelist's and dramatist's locale for court romances in a modern setting; hence ~*ian* a. & n. [scene of Anthony Hope's novel *The Prisoner of Zenda*]

ru'sa (rōō-), n. Large E.-Ind. deer. [Malay]

ruse (rōōz, & see Ap.), n. Stratagem, feint, trick. [OF *ruser* drive back, retreat, cogn. w. *RUSH*³]

ruse (see Ap.), a. (fem. -ée). Given to ruses, sly, cunning, (of person, procedure, look, etc.). [F]

rūsh¹, n., & v.t. 1. Marsh or water-side plant with naked slender tapering pith-filled stems (prop. leaves) formerly used for strewing floors & still for making chair-bottoms & plaiting baskets etc., a stem of this, (collect.) ~es as a material; thing of no value (*don't care, not worth, a ~*). 2. || ~*bearing*, annual northern festival on occasion of carrying ~es & garlands to strew floor & decorate walls of church; ~ *candle*, made by dipping pith of a ~ in tallow; ~*light*, ~ *candle* (usu. fig. of feeble glimmer of intelligence, scanty information, etc.); ~ *ring*, made of ~es) formerly used in (esp. mock) weddings; hence ~*like*, ~*y*², aa. 3. v.t. Supply (chair-bottom, strew (floor), with ~es. [OE *risc* & rare *rusc*, cf. MDu. *risch*, also Du. & G *rusch*]

rūsh², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Impel, drag, force, carry along, violently & rapidly (~*ed them into danger, round the sights; ball is ~ed down the field; ~ bill through*, get it hurriedly passed; ~*refuse to be ~ed*, insist on doing things at one's own pace). 2. (Mil.) take by sudden vehement assault. 3. Pass (obstacle, stream, fence, etc.) with a rapid dash. 4. Swarm upon & take possession of (goldfield, platform at meeting, etc.). 5. (sl.) Charge (customer) exorbitant price (*they ~ you shockingly, ~ed us £1 a head*). 6. Run precipitately, violently, or with great speed, go or resort without proper consideration (*in* ~, (~ *into, out of, the room; ~ at, charge; dark horse ~ed past the favourite; ~ into extremes; ~ into print*, write to newspaper, publish book, etc.). 7. Flow, fall, spread (intr.), roll (intr.), impetuously or fast (*river ~es past; a ~ing mighty wind; avalanches ~ down; blood ~ed to his face; his past life ~ed into his memory*). 8. n. Act of ~ing, violent or tumultuous advance, spurt, charge, onslaught, (*the ~ of the tide; carry the citadel with a ~; a ~ of blood to the head; a great ~ of business*); (Footb.) combined dash of several players

with the ball; sudden migration of large numbers esp. to new goldfield; strong run on or for some commodity; ~*hours* (at which traffic is busiest). (n. f. vb. AF *rusher* 1. OF *re(h)usser*, *ruser*, perh. f. L *re(fundere fus-* pour), RE-9, cause to flow back]

rūsk, n. Piece of bread pulled or cut from loaf & rebaked. [f. Sp. or Port. *rosca* twist, coil, roll of bread]

Rūsk|in'ian, a. & n. After the manner or principles, follower, of John Ruskin writer on art & social subjects d. 1900. So ~*inese*' (-ēz), ~*inesque*' (-ēsk), aa. & nn., ~*inism*(3) n., ~*inize*(2, 3, 4) v.i. & t. [-*IAN*]

Rūss, n. & a. 1. A Russian; the Russian language. 2. adj. Russian. Hence ~*ify* v.t., ~*ification* n., ~*o-* comb. form, ~*ophil* n. & a., ~*ophilism*(3) n., ~*ophone* n. & a., ~*ophob'ia* n. [f. Russ. *Rusi* Russian people or country]

Rūss'ell (cōrd), n. Ribbed fabric of cotton & wool used for scholastic gowns etc. [f]

rūss'ēt, n. & a. 1. (Hist.) coarse homespun reddish-brown or grey cloth worn by peasants; reddish brown; kind of rough-skinned ~coloured apple. 2. adj. Reddish-brown (also ~*y*² a.); (arch.) rustic, homely, simple. [f. OF *rousset* (*rous* red f. L *russus*, -ET¹)]

Rū'ssia (lea'ther) (-sha; lēdh-), n. Durable bookbinding leather from skins impregnated with birch-bark oil. [*Russia*]

Rū'ssian (-shn), n. & a. 1. Native, language, of Russia. 2. adj. Of or from Russia (~ *boots*, loosely enclosing calf); of or in ~; hence ~*ize*(3) (-sha-) v.t. [f. med. L *Russianus* (prec., -AN)]

Rūss'niāk, n. & a. (Member, language) of the Little Russian or Ruthenian race in Galicia. [f. native *Rusnyak*]

rūst, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Yellowish-brown coating formed on iron or steel by oxidation esp. as effect of moisture & gradually corroding the metal, similar coating on other metals; (fig.) impaired state due to disuse or inactivity, inaction as deteriorating influence. 2. (Plant-disease with ~coloured spots caused by) kinds of fungus, blight, brand; hence ~*less* a. (~*less steel*, esp. ferro-chromium alloys used for stainless cutlery etc.). 3. vb. Contract ~, undergo oxidation or blight; (of bracken etc.) become ~coloured; lose quality or efficiency by disuse or inactivity (*better wear out than ~ out*, exhortation to maintain activity in old age etc.); affect with ~, corrode. [OE *rūst*, cf. Du. *roest*, G *rost*; cogn. w. RED]

rūst'ic, a. & n. 1. (Now less usual for) rural. 2. Having the appearance or manners of country-people, characteristic of peasants, unsophisticated, unpolished, unrefined, uncouth, clownish. 3. Of rude or country workmanship (~

seat, bridge, work, of untrimmed branches or rough timber); (of lettering) irregularly formed; (Archit.) with rough-hewn or roughened surface or with chamfered joints (~work, such masonry); hence or cogn. **RUS'TICALLY**, ~LY² (rare), adv., **RUS'TICITY** n. 4. n. Countryman, peasant. [f. *L. rusticus* (*rus* the country)]

RUS'tic'late, v.i. & t. 1. Retire to, sojourn in, the country, lead a rural life; send down temporarily from university as punishment; countryfy. 2. Mark (masonry) with sunk joints or roughened surface. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. *L. rusticari* live in the country (prec.), -AT²]

RUS'tle (-sl), v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Give forth) sound (as) of dry leaves blown, rain pattering, or silk garments in motion; go with ~o (*along* etc.; ~e in *silks*, be clad in silk); cause to ~o by shaking etc.; hence ~ingly² (-sl-) adv. 2. * (colloq.). Hustle, move energetically; steal (cattle or horses); hence ~ER¹ (-sl-) n. [n. f. vb, imit.; cf. Du. *ruiselen*]

RUS'tiy¹, a. Rusted, affected with rust; of antiquated appearance; (of voice) croaking, creaking; stiff with age or disuse, antiquated, behind the times, impaired by neglect, in need of refurbishing, (*his Greek is a little ~y*); (of black clothes) discoloured by age; rust-coloured. Hence ~ily² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

RUS'ty², a. Rancid (esp. of bacon). [=obs. *rusty* f. OF *resté* left over, stale]

RUT¹, n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Track sunk by passage of wheels; established mode of procedure, beaten track, groove; hence ~t'v² a. 2. v.t. Mark with ~s (usu. in p.p.). [?]

RUT², n., & v.i. (-tt-). 1. Periodic sexual excitement of male deer (also of goat, ram, etc.), heat. 2. v.i. Be affected with ~. Hence ~t'ISE²(1) a. [OF, also *ruit*, f. *L. rugitus* -ús (*rugire* roar)]

RUTH (rúth), n. (arch.). Pity, compassion. Hence (mod.) ~LESS a., ~LESSLY² adv., ~LESSNESS n., (rúth-). [RUZ¹, -TH¹]

RUTHEN'ium (rúth-), n. Rare metallic element of the platinum group. [f. mod. *L. Ruthenia* Russia (from its discovery in the Urals)]

|| **RUX** n. (school sl.). Temper, passion. [? -ry, suf., shortened form of -RY (which see for numbered meanings), as in *chantry* (ME *chaunterie*), *jevry*, *bottomry*, *foundry*, *poultry*, *jewel(e)ry*; occas. also in direct formations, as *rivalry*]

RYE, n. (Grain of) a N.-Europ. cereal used for bread in northern Continental countries & for fodder in U.K. [OE *ryge*, cf. ON *rugr*, Da. *rug*; cogn. w. Du. *rogge*, G. *roggen*]

RYE'-grass (rigrahs), n. Kinds of fodder grass. [f. obs. *ray* etym. dub. w. assim. to prec.]

|| **RYE'péck** (rip-), n. Ironshod pole for securing punt etc. [?]

|| **RYM'er**, n. One of the posts in weir or lock holding paddles. [?]

RY'ot, n. Indian peasant. [f. Hind. *ratyat* f. Arab. as *RAYAH*]

S

S (ēs), letter (pl. *Ss*, *S's*). (Also) S-shaped object (COLLAR¹ of *S*, *Ss*, *SS*, or *esses*) or curve (*river makes a great S*).

's, used for (1, arch.) *God's* in 'sblood & other oaths; (2, colloq.) *is* in *he's*, *she's*, *it's*, *Smith's*, etc.; (3, colloq.) *has* as in (2), esp. before p.p. as *he's done it*; (4, colloq.) *us* in *let us*, as *let's go*; (5, colloq.) *does*, as *what's he say about it?*

Sab(a)'an (-bē-), a. & n. (Native) of ancient Yemen; (erron.) = **SABIAN**. [f. *L. f. Gk Sabaios* (*Saba* f. Arab. *Saba'* people of Yemen) + -AN]

Sāb'aism, n. Star-worship. [f. Heb. *šaba* host, -ISM]

Sāb'āoth, n. pl. Lord of ~ in N.T. & *Te Deum*, Lord of Hosts. [f. Heb. pl. (prec.)]

sābbatār'ian, n. & a. 1. Sabbath-keeping Jew; Christian who accepts (& inculcates) the obligation to observe Sunday strictly as sabbath; Christian individual or member of sect observing Saturday as sabbath, seventh-day baptist etc.; hence ~ISM(3) n. 2. adj. Of ~ tenets. [f. *L. sabbatarius* (foll., -ARY¹) + -AN, see -ARIAN]

sābb'ath, n. 1. (Also ~day) seventh day of week as day of religious rest appointed for Israel (~day's journey, distance Israelite might travel on ~, about 1 m., also transf. easy journey). 2. (Also ~day) Christian Sunday esp. as day of obligatory abstinence from work & play (chiefly in Presbyterian, nonconformist, & distinctively protestant use, or joc.: *keep, break, the ~*; ~breaker), whence ~LESS a. 3. Period of rest. 4. (Usu. *witches' ~*) annual midnight orgy of the devil, demons, sorcerers, & witches. [f. *L. sabbatum*, Gk -ton, f. Heb. *shabbāth* (*shabbath* to rest)]

sabbāt'ic(al), aa. Of, appropriate to, the sabbath (~al river, one in Jewish legend flowing except on sabbath; ~al year, seventh year in which Israelites were to cease tilling & release debtors & Israelite slaves). Hence ~ally² adv. [f. Gk *sabbatikos* (prec., -IC), -AL]

sābb'atize, v.i. & t. Keep the, have a, sabbath; make (day) into, keep as, a sabbath. [f. *L. sabbatizare* f. Gk *sabbatizō* (*SABBATH*, -IZE)]

Sabēll'ian¹, a. & n. (Rom. Hist.). (Member) of the group of tribes in ancient Italy including Sabines, Samnites, Campanians, etc. [f. *L. Sabellī* *SABINES* + -IAN]

Sabēll'ian², a. & n. (Holder) of the doctrine of Sabellius (3rd c.) that the three Divine persons are merely aspects of one. [-AN]

Sāb'ian, a. & n. 1. (Member) of a sect classed in Koran with Moslems, Jews, & Christians, as believers in the true God. 2. (erron.). (Adherent) of SABAIISM. [f. Arab. *ṣābi'* (perh. f. Aram. vb=baptize) + -AN]

sāb'icu (-kōō), n. Cuban timber-tree; its valuable hard durable wood. [Cuban Sp.]

Sāb'ine, a. & n. (One) of the ~s, ancient Italians of central Apennines. [f. L *Sabinus*]

sā'ble¹, n. Small brown-furred Arctic & subarctic carnivorous quadruped allied to martens; its skin or fur; fine paint-brush made of ~ hair. [OF, = ~fur, prob. f. Slav. (Pol. & Czech *sobol*, Hung. *czoboly*, the ~)]

sā'ble², n. & a. 1. Black as a heraldic colour; (poet., rhet.) the colour black; (poet. & rhet.; pl.) mourning garments, whence **sā'bled**² (-beld) a. 2. (Also ~ *antelope*) large stout-horned antelope of which male is black. 3. adj. (poet. & rhet.). Black, dusky, gloomy, dread, (of Negro, sky, sea, night, Fate, etc.; *his* ~ *Majesty*, the devil); hence **sāb'ly**² adv. [F (her.), perh. f. prec.]

sāb'ot (-ō), n. 1. Shoe hollowed out from one piece of wood worn by French lower classes; wooden-soled shoe. 2. (Mil.) wooden disk riveted to spherical, metal cup strapped to conical, projectile; (Mech.) shoe or armature of pile, boring-rod, etc. Hence ~ED¹ (-bōd) a. [F, cf. *savate* shoe, etym. dub.]

sāb'otage (-ahzh, -ij), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Malicious or wanton destruction, esp. doing of damage to plant etc. by workmen on bad terms with their employers (*the derailing of the train is attributed to ~*; *acts of ~*). 2. vb. Commit ~ (on); (fig.) destroy, render useless, as ~ a scheme. [F]

sā'bre (-er), n., & v.t. 1. Cavalry sword with curved blade (*the ~*, military force or rule); (in pl.) cavalry unit (cf. *rifle*), cavalry soldier & horse, (*had 3000 ~s*); copper tool for skinning molten glass; ~-bill, ~wing, kinds of bird; ~cut, blow with ~, wound made or scar left by it; ~toothed lion or tiger, extinct mammal with long ~shaped upper canines. 2. v.t. Out down or wound with ~. [F, earlier *sable* f. G *sabel* prob. of Oriental orig.]

sā'bretache (-ertāsh), n. Cavalry officer's satchel on long straps from left of waist-belt. [F, f. G *säbeltasche* (proc., *tasche* pocket)]

sabreur (sahbrē'), n. Cavalryman with sabre, esp. (often *beau* ~) cavalry officer of dashing appearance. [F]

sāb'ulous, a. Sandy, of sand, (pedant.); (Med., of secretions esp. in urinary organs) granular. [f. L *sabulosus* (*sabulum* sand, -ose¹)]

sabūrra, n. (med.). Foul granular matter deposited in stomach. [L, = sand, cf. prec.]

sāc, n. Baglike membrane-enclosed cavity in animal or vegetable organism; membranous envelope of hernia, cyst, tumour, etc.; (of dress)=SACK¹. [f. L *saccus* SACK¹]

sācc'āte, a. (Bot.) dilated into bag; contained in sac. [f. mod. L *saccatus* (prec., -ATE²)]

sācc'har- (-ka-), stem, f. Gk *sakcharon* SUGAR, of many words chiefly in scientific use; ~ATE¹(3), salt of *sacchā'ric acid*, a dibasic acid formed by the action of nitric acid on dextrose; ~IDE, (now more commonly used in chem. for) ~ose; ~IFEROUS, sugar-bearing; ~IFY, convert (starch) into sugar; ~IFICA'TION; ~IM'ETER, instrument for testing sugars by polarized light; ~IM'ETRY; ~IN(e) n., intensely sweet substance got from coal-tar & used to sweeten food for the gouty, diabetic, etc.; ~INE¹ a., sugary, of or containing or like sugar; ~O-, sugar- & ~OID a. (Geol.), granular like sugar, (n.) sugarlike substance; ~OM'ETER, hydrometer used, esp. in brewing, to estimate amount of sugar in solution by specific gravity; ~OSE², ordinary sugar, cane-sugar.

sāc'ciform (-ks-), a. Sac-shaped. [SAC, -FORM]

sācc'ūle, n. Small sac or cyst. Hence (see -UL-) ~AR¹, ~ATE², ~ĀTED, aa., ~A'TION n. [f. L *sacculus* (SAC, -ULE)]

sā'cerdōc'y, n. (rare). Sacerdotalism; priestly function. [f. L *sacerdotium* (*sacerdos* -otis priest lit. sacrificer-giver f. *sacer* holy, *dare* give)]

sā'cerdōtage, n. (Joc.). Sacerdotalism; priest-ridden state. [as prec. w. ref. to *dotage*, cf. *anecdote*]

sācerdōt'al, a. Of priest(s) or priesthood, priestly; (of doctrines etc.) ascribing sacrificial functions & supernatural powers to ordained priests, claiming excessive authority for the priesthood. Hence ~LY² adv., ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn., ~IZE(3) v.t. [F, f. L *sacerdotalis* (as SACERDOCY, -AL)]

sāch'ēm, n. Supreme chief of some Amer.-Ind. tribes; big-wig, eminent person. [Amer.-Ind.]

sā'chet (-shā), n. Small perfumed bag; (packet of) dry perfume for laying among clothes etc. [F, dim. of *sac* f. L *saccus*]

sāck¹, n., & v.t. 1. Large usu. oblong bag for storing & conveying goods usu. open at one end & made of coarse flax or hemp (*give one, get, the ~*, dismiss him, be dismissed, from service, cf. '*On buy a dond son sac, hee hath his passport given him*' in Cotgrave), whence ~ING¹(3) n.; ~ with contents (usu. of; also ~FUL n.); amount (of corn, coal, flour, wool, potatoes, etc.) usu. put in ~ as unit of measure or weight (*at 12/- the ~*). 2. (Of dress; also as pseudo-F *sacque*, *sac*) kind of lady's loose gown (arch.); pleated silk appendage attached to shoulders of dress & falling to

ground & forming train; man's or woman's loose-hanging coat not shaped to back. 3. ~cloth, coarse fabric of flax or hemp, ~ing, (fig.) mourning or penitential garb (esp. in ~cloth & ashes Bibl.); ~race, between competitors tied in ~s up to the neck. 4. v.t. Put into ~(s); (colloq.) give the ~ to, dismiss from service; (colloq.) defeat in match or fight. [OE *sacc* f. L f. Gk *sakkos* f. Heb. *saq*]

sack¹, v.t., & n. 1. (Of victorious army or its commander) plunder, give over to plunder, (captured city etc.); (of burglars etc.) carry off contents of. 2. n. ~ing of captured place. [vb prob. f. n. f. *F sac* in phr. *mettre à sac* put to sack, f. It. *sacco* etym. dub. (perh. f. *saccare* put in SACK¹)]
sack², n. (hist.). Kinds of white wine formerly imported from Spain & the Canaries (*sherry, Canary, etc.*, ~; ~ *posset, whey, etc.*, beverages containing it; *half-pennyworth of bread to intolerable deal of* ~, absurd excess of the unessential, w. ref. to 1 *Henry IV*, II. iv. 592). [earlier *wyne seck*, f. *F vin sec* dry wine]

sack³but, n. (Old name for) trombone. [f. *F saquebute* sackbut from 15th c., prob. = ONF *saqueboute* hook for pulling man off horse (*saquier* pull, *boute* of doubtful sense); in *Dan. III* ~ is mistransl. of Aram. *sabbeka* (a stringed instrument) due to accidental likeness of the wds]

|| **sack**⁴less, a. (arch., Sc. & north.). Innocent (of), harmless, feeble-minded. [OE *sacless* (*sacu* litigation, -LESS)]

sacque (sák). See SACK¹.

sacral, a. (Anat.) of the sacrum; (Anthropol.) of or for sacred rites. [SACRUM, -AL]

sacrament, n., & v.t. 1. Religious ceremony or act regarded as outward & visible sign of inward & spiritual grace (applied by the Eastern, pre-Reformation Western, & R.-C. Churches to the seven rites of baptism, confirmation, the eucharist, penance, extreme unction, orders, & matrimony; restricted by most Protestants to baptism & the eucharist; *the* ~, *the* ~ of the altar, *the Blessed or Holy S* ~, the eucharist, also the consecrated elements esp. the bread or Host; *take, receive, the* ~ to do or upon, as confirmation of some promise or oath). 2. Thing of mysterious & sacred significance, sacred influence, symbol, etc. 3. Oath or solemn engagement taken. 4. v.t. (esp. in p.p.). Bind by oath. [f. *F sacrement* f. L *sacramentum* military oath, legal caution-money, f. *sacrare* (*sacer sacr*-SACRED), -MENT, used in Christian L as transl. of Gk *mysterion* MYSTERY¹]

sacramen'tal, a. & n. 1. Of (the nature of) a or the sacrament, whence ~ITY (-AL) n.; (of doctrine etc.) attaching great importance to the sacraments, whence ~ISM(3), ~ISM(2), nn.; hence ~LY¹ adv. 2. n. Observance analogous to but not

reckoned among the sacraments, e.g. use of holy water or sign of the cross. [f. LL *sacramentalis* (prec., -AL)]

sacramen'tar'ian, a. & n. 1. (hist.). (Also *sacramentary*) denying, denier of, the Real Presence (as holding that 'body & blood of Christ' was used only in a sacramental, i.e. symbolic, sense). 2. Holding or involving, holder of, high sacramental doctrine, whence ~ISM(3) n. [f. med. L *SACRAMENT*(*arius* -ARY¹), see -ARIAN]

sacra'r'ium, n. (pl. -ia). (Rom. Ant.) shrine, adytum, room of Penates in house; (also *sanctuary*) part of church within altar-rails; (R.-C.) piscina. [L (*sacer sacr*- holy, -ARIUM)]

saccré(-à), v.i. (-créd, -créng). (Of Frenchman) say *sacré*, swear. [f. *F sacré* interj. = foll.]

saccréd, a. (rarely ~est). 1. Consecrated or held dear to a deity, dedicated or reserved or appropriated to some person or purpose; made holy by religious association, hallowed, (~ *book, writings*, embodying laws etc. of a religion; ~ *history*, related in Bible; ~ *number*, associated with religious symbolism, e.g. 7; ~ *poetry, music*, on religious themes; ~ *concert*, of ~ music; as specific epithet of beasts etc. now or once ~ to some god, as ~ *ibis, monkey, beetle*). 2. Safeguarded or required by religion or reverence or tradition, indefeasible, inviolable, sacrosanct, (*His most S~ Majesty the King; the* ~ right of insurrection; *regards it as* ~ duty; *their property, persons, will be held* ~; *no place was* ~ from him, from outrage). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [p.p. of obs. *sacre* consecrate f. *F sacrer* f. L *sacrare* (*sacer sacr*-holy)]

sacrifice, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Slaughter of animal or person, surrender of a possession, as offering to a deity, (fig.) act of prayer or thanksgiving or penitence as propitiation; what is thus slaughtered or surrendered or done, victim, offering; (Theol.) the Crucifixion, the Eucharist as either a propitiatory offering of the body & blood of Christ or an act of thanksgiving. 2. Giving up of thing for the sake of another that is higher or more urgent, thing thus given up, loss thus entailed, (*will gain nothing by the* ~ of your principles; *at some* ~ of regularity; *surplus stock for sale at a large* ~; *his health was the* ~ demanded of him; *the great or last* ~, esp., death for one's country in war; SELF ~); so **sac**rifi'cial (-shl) a., **sac**rifi'cially² (-sha-) adv. 3. vb. Offer (as) ~ (to); give up, treat as secondary or of inferior importance, devote, to (*has* ~d herself, her whole life, her pleasures, to his interest; ~ accuracy to vividness); resign oneself to parting with. [vb f. n., f. L *sacrificium* (*sacrificus* as prec., -ICI)]

sacrilege, n. Robbery or profanation of sacred building, outrage on consecrated

person or thing, violation of what is sacred. Hence **sacrilegious** (-jus; or -ij'us) a., **sacrilegiously** (-jus) adv., **sacrilegist**(1) n. (rare). [OF, f. L *sacrilegium* f. *sacrilegus* (SACRED, *legere* collect)]

sacring, n. (arch.). Consecration of elements in the mass; ordination & consecration of bishop, sovereign, etc.; ~bell, rung at elevation of Host. [obs. *sacre* (SACRED), -ING¹]

sacrist, n. Official keeping sacred vessels etc. of religious house or church. [OF (-e), f. L *sacrista* (SACRED, -IST)]

sacristan, n. Sexton of parish church (arch.); =prec. [f. med. L *sacristanus* (-AN)]

sacristy, n. Repository for vestments, vessels, etc., of a church. [F (-ie), f. med. L *sacristia* (SACRIST, -IA¹)]

sacrosānt, a. (Of person, place, law, etc.) secured by religious sanction against outrage, inviolable. Hence **sacrosāntity** n. [f. L *sacrosanctus* (*sacro* abl. of *sacrum* SACRED rite, SAINT a.)]

sacrūm, n. Composite triangular bone of ankylosed vertebrae forming back of pelvis. Hence ~AL a., ~O comb. form. [f. L *os sacrum* sacred bone (from sacrificial use)]

sād, a. (-dd-). Sorrowful, mournful, showing or causing sorrow, (a ~der & a wiser man, of one who has had distressing experience; in ~ earnest, seriously); (derog., usu. joc.) shocking, deplorably bad, incorrigible, (is a ~ slut, coward, etc.); ~ dog, rake, scapegrace; ~writes ~ stuff; (of pastry, bread, etc.) heavy, doughy; (of colour) dull, neutral-tinted; ~iron, solid flat-iron. Hence ~d'EN^o v.t. & i., ~LY^o adv., ~NESS n., ~d'ISH¹(2) a. [earlier senses *saded*, *weary*, *solid*, *serious*; com.-Teut.; OE *sæd* of. Du. *zat*, G *satt*, cogn. W. L. *sat*(is), Gk *hādēn*, enough]

sād'dle, n., & v.t. 1. Rider's seat placed on back of horse etc. (usu. concave-shaped of leather with side-flaps & girths & stirrups) or forming part of bicycle etc. or of some agricultural machines (PACK¹, *sidw*, ~; in the ~, mounted, fig. in office or control; put ~ on right, wrong, horse, blame right, wrong, person). 2. Part of shaft-horse's harness that bears shafts. 3. ~shaped thing, e.g. ridge between two summits, support for cable or wire on top of suspension-bridge pier or telegraph-pole, joint of mutton or venison consisting of the two loins. 4. ~back, (Archit.) tower roof with two opposite gables, ~backed hill, kinds of bird (esp. the Grey Crow) & fish, (adj.) ~backed; ~backed, with upper outline concave, (Archit.) having ~back; ~bag, one of pair of bags laid across horse behind ~, kind of carpeting (in imitation of Eastern ~bags of camels) used in upholstering chairs etc.; ~boller, of concave form used in heating-apparatus; ~bow (-bō), arched

front of ~ [BOW¹]; ~cloth, laid on horse's back under ~; ~fast, firmly seated in ~; ~horse, for riding; ~pin, by which bicycle etc. ~ fits into socket; ~tree, frame of ~, also N.-Amer. tulip-tree (with ~shaped leaves); hence ~LESS a. 5. v.t. Put ~ on (horse etc.); burden (person) with task, responsibility, etc.; put (burden) on or upon (person). [com.-Teut.; OE *sadol*(ian), cf. Du. *zadel*(en), G *sattel*(n); perh. cogn. W. SIT]

sādd'ler, n. Maker of or dealer in saddles & other equipment for horses; (Mil.) man in charge of cavalry regiment's ~ery. Hence ~ERY(1, 2, 3) n. [-ER¹]

Sādd'ūcee, n. Member of a Jewish sect or party (of PHARISEE, ESSENE) of time of Christ that denied resurrection of the dead, existence of spirits, & obligation of the traditional law. Hence or cogn. **Sāddūc'AN** a., ~ISM(2) n. [f. LL f. Gk *Saddoukaios* f. Heb. *Qadduqi* prob. = descendant of *Zadok*]

sadhu (sah'dūō), n. (India) holy man. [Skr., =pious]

sā'd'ism (sah-), n. Form of sexual perversion marked by love of cruelty. So ~IST(2) n., ~is'tio a. [f. F *sadisme* (Count de Sade 1740-1814, -ISM)]

safa'ri (-ahr-), n. Hunting expedition (esp. in *phr. on* ~); sportsman's or traveller's caravan. [Swahili, f. Arab. *safar* journey]

sāfe¹, n. (Also *meat*~) ventilated cupboard for provisions; fireproof & burglar-proof receptacle for valuables. [orig. *save*, f. SAVE¹]

sāfe², a. 1. (Pred., after *come*, *arrive*, *bring*, *keep*, etc.) uninjured (*parcel came ~*; *saw them ~ home*; often ~ & sound); secure, out of or not exposed to danger (*from*), (now we are, can feel, ~; is ~ from his enemies). 2. Affording security or not involving danger (*put it in a ~ place*; *is it ~ to leave him?*; ~ custody, convoy, etc.; *err, error, on the ~ side*, with margin of security against risks; *dog is not ~ to touch*; *it is ~ to say*, may be said without risk of exaggeration or falsehood); debarr'd from escaping or doing harm (*have got him ~*). 3. Cautious & unenterprising, consistently moderate, that can be reckoned on, unfailing, certain to do or be, sure to become, (a ~ critic, statesman; ~ methods; a ~ CATCH², winner; is a ~ first, sure to take a first class; is ~ to win, be there); hence ~NESS (-fn-) n. 4. ~conduct, (document conveying) privilege granted by sovereign, commander, etc., of being protected from arrest or harm on particular occasion or in district; ~ deposit, building containing strong-rooms and safes let separately; ~guard, = ~conduct, (also & usu.) proviso or stipulation or quality or circumstance that tends to prevent some evil or protect, (v.t.) guard, protect, (esp. rights etc.) by precaution

or stipulation (|| ~guarding duties, on imports, against competition held to be unfair); ~ keeping, custody. Hence ~LY² (-f-) adv. [ME & F *sauf* f. L *salvus* uninjured cogn. w. Gk *holos* WHOLE]

safe *tý* (-ft-), n. 1. Being safe, freedom from danger or risks, (there is ~ in numbers prov.; is in ~; cannot do it with ~; play for ~, avoid risks in game or fig.; ~ first!, motto inculcating caution). 2. Safeness, being sure or likely to bring no danger, (is the ~ of the experiment certain?; factor or coefficient of ~ in engineering, ratio of material's strength to strain to be allowed for). 3. (Also ~bolt) contrivance for locking gun-trigger, gun with this. 4. (Also ~bicycle) bicycle of usual low-saddled modern form (opp. *ordinary*). 5. ~curtain, fireproof curtain cutting off the auditorium in a theatre from the stage; ~film, cinematographic film on slow-burning or non-inflammable base (esp. in sub-standard sizes); ~fuse, FUSE² containing a slow-burning composition for firing detonators from a distance, (Electr.) protective FUSE¹; ~glass, TRIPLEX glass; ~lamp, miner's so protected as not to ignite fire-damp; ~match, only lighting on prepared surface; ~pin, with point that returns to head & is caught in a guard so that wearer may not be pricked nor pin come out; ~razor, kinds with guard to prevent cutting skin; ~valve in steam-boiler, opening automatically to relieve excessive pressure, (fig.) means of giving harmless vent to excitement etc. (sit on the ~valve, follow policy of repression). [f. F *sauvé* f. mod. L *salvatem* (prec., -i-, -ty)]

saff'ian, n. Leather of goatskin or sheepskin tanned with sumach & dyed in bright colours. [f. Russ. *saffyanu*]

saff'flower (-owr), n. A thistle-like plant yielding red dye used esp. in rouge; its dried petals; the dye made from them. [f. Du. *saffloer* f. OF *saffleur* f. early It. *saffiore*, etym. dub.]

saff'ron, n. a., & v.t. 1. Orange-coloured stigmas of the Autumnal Crocus used for colouring & flavouring confectionery & liquors (*Bastard S*~, the plant safflower).

2. adj. & n. ~coloured, whence ~Y² a.; ~cake, cake flavoured with ~, also tablet of pressed ~. 3. v.t. Colour with or like ~. [f. F *safran* ult. f. Arab. *sa'faran*]

saff'ranin, n. Colouring-matter of saffron; yellowish-red coal-tar colour. [prec., -IN]

sag, v.i. & t. (-gg-), & n. 1. Sink or subside under weight or pressure; hang sideways, be lopsided, (*gate, bridge, ~s*); have downward bulge or curve in middle (*ceiling, beam, stretched rope, ladder, ~s*), (trans.) cause to curve thus; (Commerc.) decline in price; (of ship) drift from course (esp. ~to leeward); hence ~g'Y² (-g-) a. 2. n. Amount that rope etc. ~s, distance from middle of its curve to straight line be-

tween supports; sinking, subsidence; decline in price; (Naut.) tendency to leeward. [cf. Du. *zakken* subside, Da. *sakke* lag; perh. cogn. w. SINE]

sa'ga (sah-), n. A medieval Icelandic or Norwegian prose narrative, esp. one embodying history of Icelandic family or Norwegian king, (transf.) story of heroic achievement or adventure; series of connected books giving the history of a family etc. [ON, = narrative, cogn. w. SAW²]

sagā'cious (-shus), a. Mentally penetrating, gifted with discernment, practically wise, acute-minded, shrewd; (of sayings, plans, etc.) showing sagacity; (of animals) exceptionally intelligent, seeming to reason or deliberate. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **sagā'cious** n. [f. L *sagax* (*sagire* discern acutely), -ACIOUS]

sag'amōre, n. =SACHEM (1st sense). [f. Amer.-Ind. *sagamo*]

sāge¹, n. Aromatic herb with dull greyish-green leaves; its leaves used in cookery (~& onions, stuffing used for goose, duck, pork, etc.); ~brush, growth of alkaline plants characterizing some sterile districts of U.S. (~cock, ~grouse, ~hare, etc., found in this); ~cheese, flavoured & mottled by addition of ~infusion to the curd; ~green, colour of ~leaves; ~tea, medicinal infusion of ~leaves. Hence **sā'gy² a.** [ME & F *saug* f. L *salvia*]

sāge², a. & n. 1. Wise, discreet, judicious, having the wisdom of experience, of or indicating profound wisdom, (often iron.) wise-looking, solemn-faced; hence ~LY² (-ly) adv., ~NESS (-jn-) n. 2. n. Profoundly wise man (often iron.), esp. any of the ancients traditionally reputed wisest of their time (*the seven ~s*, 7 Greeks each credited with a notable saying); hence ~SHIP (-jsh-) n. [F. f. com.-Rom. *sabio* f. pop. L ⁺*sapius* (L *sapere* be SAPIENT)]

sāgg'ar, n. Case of baked fireproof clay enclosing pottery while it is baked. [perh. contr. of *safeguard*]

Sagitt'a, n. A northern constellation, the Arrow. [L, = arrow]

Sāgittār'ius, n. Constellation & ninth sign of zodiac, the Archer. [L (prec., -ARY¹)]

sā'gittāte, -ātēd, aa. (bot., zool.). Shaped like arrow-head. [SAGITTA, -ATE²]

sāg'ō, n. (pl. ~s). (Kinds of palm & cycad with pith yielding) kind of starch used as food in puddings etc. [f. Malay *sagu*]

|| **sahaa'** (sa-hah'), int. Goodbye. [Maltese]

Sahār'a (sa-h-), n. Great Libyan desert; arid tract (lit. & fig.). Hence ~AN, ~IAN, ~IC, aa. [f. Arab. *ṣaḥra*]

Sah'ib, n. (fem. *mēm'sahib*). 1. (India). European as spoken of or to by Indians; an honorific affix (*Colonel ~, Jones ~, Raja ~, Khan ~*). 2. (colloq.; ~). Gentleman (*gukka ~*). [Hind., f. Arab. *ṣaḥīb* friend]

said¹. See SAY¹.

Said² (sād). Var. of SEID.

saiḡ'a (or si-), n. Antelope of steppes. [Russ.]

sail¹, n. 1. Piece of canvas or other textile material extended on rigging to catch wind & propel vessel, (collect.) some or all of ship's ~s (CARRY, CROWD², hoist, lower, MAKE¹, SET¹, SHORTEN, STRIKE, ~; take in ~, fig., moderate one's ambitions; take WIND¹ out of ~s; full ~ adv., with all ~ spread lit. & fig.; under ~, with ~s set). 2. (collect.). Ships (In giving number of ships in squadron or company; a fleet of twenty ~). 3. Ship (esp. in ~ ho!, cry announcing that ship is in sight). 4. pl. (naut. sl.; hist.). || Chief petty officer in charge of rigging; one who makes or repairs ~s. 5. Wind-catching apparatus, now usu. set of boards, attached to arm of windmill. 6. ~fish's dorsal fin, tentacle of nautilus. 7. (Also wind-~) funnel-shaped bag on ship's deck or above mine giving ventilation. 8. ~arm, arm of windmill; ~-axle, on which ~arms revolve; ~-cloth, canvas for ~s, also dress-material; ~-fish, kinds with large dorsal fin, esp. Basking shark. Hence (-)~ED² (-ld), ~LESS, aa. [com.-Tent.; OE *segel*], cf. Du. *zeil*, G *segel*]

sail², v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of vessel or person on board) travel on water by use of sails (~ing-ship, -vessel, opp. steamer; ~ close to or near the wind, nearly against it, also fig. come near transgressing a law or moral principle); (of vessel or person on board) travel on water by use of sails or engine-power, start on voyage, (we ~ next week; list of ~ING¹s from London; ~ing orders, instructions to captain for departure, destination, etc.). 2. (Of bird, cloud, moon, etc.) glide in air; (esp. of women) walk in stately manner. 3. Travel over or along, navigate, glide through, (the sea, Spanish main, sky, etc.). 4. Control navigation of (ship; plain ~ING¹, used pred. to describe task etc. that is not perplexing; ~ing-master, officer navigating yacht); set (toy-boat) afloat. 5. ~ into (sl.), inveigh against, scold, rate, attack. 6. n. Voyage or excursion in ~ing-vessel (go for a ~); voyage of specified duration (is ten days' ~ from Plymouth). [OE *siglan*, *segl(i)an*, (prec.)]

sail'er, n. Ship of specified sailing-power (fast, good, bad, ~). [-RR¹]

sail'or, n. Seaman, mariner, esp. one below rank of officer (good, bad, ~, person not, very, liable to sea-sickness); ~ hat, of straw with straight narrow brim & flat top worn by women, also with turned-up brim in imitation of ~'s worn by children; ~man, (vulg. & joc. for) ~; ~s' home, institution for lodging ~s cheaply ashore; ~s' knot, way of tying neck-tie. Hence ~ING¹(1)a. ~LESS, ~LY¹, aa. [var. of prec., see -ER¹, -OR¹]

sain, v.t. (arch.). Make sign of the cross on, bless, protect by divine power or enchantment. [OE *segnian*, cf. G *segnen* bless, f. L *signare* mark (SIGN^{um})]

sain'foin, n. Low-growing herb used as fodder. [F (sain SANE, foin hay f. L *faenum*)]

saint, a. (unstressed sent, snt; abbr. St, S., in pl. Sts, SS.), n., & v.t. 1. Holy, canonized or officially recognized by the Church as having won by exceptional holiness a high place in heaven & veneration on earth, (usu. as prefix to name of person or archangel as St Paul, St Michael, whence ellipt. names of churches as St Peter's, & of towns called after their churches often with loss of possessive sign as St Andrews & St Albans, & many Christian & family names taken either from patron ~ or from local names as above; also in some names of churches not called after ~s, as St Saviour's, Sepulchre's, Faith, Cross); St ~'s day, Church festival in memory of particular ~. 2. St Andrew, patron ~ of Scotland (St A.'s day, 30th Nov.); St Anthony's, Elmo's, FIRE¹. St Bartholomew; St B.'s, (used for) St B.'s Hospital in London, abbr. Bart's; massacre of St B., of Huguenots in France on St B.'s day, 24 Aug., 1572. St Bernard (the Great, Little, St B., Alpine passes); St Bernard dog or St Bernard, breed kept by monks of Hospice on Great St Bernard pass for rescue of travellers. St Cecilia, patron ~ of music; St Charles, King Charles I as canonized martyr; St David, patron ~ of Wales (St D.'s day, 1st Mar.); St Denis, patron ~ of France. St George, patron ~ of England (St G.'s day, 23rd Ap.); St G.'s, (used for) St G.'s Hospital in London; St G.'s, Hanover Square, London church at which many West-end weddings take place; St G.'s cross, the Greek cross¹. St Germain (or Faubourg St G.), aristocratic quarter of Paris; St Gotthard (the St G., the Alpine pass of St G. or the tunnelled railway used instead of it). St Helén'a, (used for) place of exile (w. ref. to Napoleon, 1815-21). St James's (or the Court of St James's or St James), the British court (esp. in distinction from foreign courts; w. ref. to St James's Palace in London); (also) fashionable district in London about St James's Palace. St John's-wort, kinds of yellow-flowered wild & garden plant. St Leger, horse-race at Doncaster for three-year-olds, f. founder's name; St Lubbock's day, any of the BANK²-holidays instituted 1871 by Sir J. Lubbock's Act; St Luke's SUMMER. St Mark's, (used for) St M.'s church in Venice; St Martin's-le-Grand, (used for) the General Post Office; St MARTIN's summer; St Michael & St George, order of knighthood; St Michael, kind of orange, f. one of the Azores so called; St MONDAY.

St Patrick, patron ~ of Ireland (*St P.'s Day*, 17th Mar.; *order of St P.*, Irish order of knighthood); *St Paul's*, cathedral of see of London; *St Peter's*, (used for) the church of St Peter in the Vatican in Rome; *St Peter's chair*, (used for) the office of Pope. *St Sophia*, (used for) the mosque of St S. in Constantinople; *St Stephen's*, (used for) Parliament (w. ref. to former use of St S.'s chapel, Westminster, for meetings of House of Commons); *St Swin's*, the day (15th July) whose rain or absence of rain presages the same for 40 days. *St Thomas's*, (used for) St Thomas's Hospital in London. *St Valentine's day*; *St Vitus's DANCE*². 3. n. One of the blessed dead or other member of the company of heaven (*departed* ~, phr. used by or attributed to mourners, = deceased person); canonized person (see adj. sense; *patron* ~, selected as heavenly protector of person or place, esp. church, often named after him); (Bibl., arch., & with some mod. sects) one of God's chosen people, member of the Christian Church or speaker's branch of it; person of great real or affected holiness (*would provoke, try the patience of, a* ~; *young* ~s *old devils or sinners*, early piety is no good sign; *LATTER-day* ~s); ~s-day, Church festival in memory of a ~, often observed as holiday at schools etc.; hence ~DOM, ~HOOD (-t-h-), ~SHIP, ~LING¹, nn., ~LIKE, ~LY¹, aa., ~LINESS n. 4. v.t. Canonize, admit to the calendar of ~s; call or regard as a ~; (p.p.) worthy to be so regarded, of ~ly life, (of place etc.) sacred. [vb f. n. f. adj., OF f. L *sanctus* p.p. of *sancire* consecrate]

Saint-Simon'ian, a. & n. (Advocate) of the socialism of the Comte de Saint-Simon (1760-1825) with State control of property & distribution of produce. So **Saint-Sim'onist**(2), **Saint-Sim'onite**¹ (1), **Saint-Sim'onism**(3), ~ISM(3), nn. [-IAN]

saith. See SAY².

Sait'ic, a. Of Sais, ancient capital of Lower Egypt (~ *dynasties*, 26th-30th of Egyptian kings). [f. L f. Gk *Saitikos* (*Saitēs* f. *Sais*, -ITE¹)]

sake, n. *For the* ~ of —, *for* —'s *or my* etc. ~, out of consideration for, in the interest of, because of, owing to, in order to please or honour or get or keep, (common n. with sibilant ending does not take the extra syllable of the possessive before ~, but has usu. the apostrophe, as *for peace', conscience', goodness',* ~, cf. *for God's, the children's, Phyllis's,* ~; *for my own* ~ *as well as yours; for both, all, our* ~s *or rarely* ~; *for his name's* ~, because he bears the name he does or in the interest of his reputation; *persecuted for opinion's* ~; *for any* ~ in entreaties, for one reason if not for another; *for old* ~s ~, in memory of old days). [OE *sacu* contention, charge,

fault, sake, cf. Du. *zaak* lawsuit, cause, thing, G *sache* affair, also OE *sacan* to quarrel; cogn. w. SEEK]

sā'ké (-ā), n. Japanese fermented liquor made from rice. [f. Jap. *sake*]

sāk'er, n. 1. Large lanner falcon used in hawking, esp. the female larger than the male or ~ET¹ n. 2. (hist.). Old form of cannon. [f. F *sacre* (in both senses) f. Sp., Port., *sacro* prob. f. Arab. *caqr*]

sa'ki (sah-), n. S.-American monkey with long non-prehensile tail, and neck-ruff. [native name, through F]

sa'kīa (sah-), n. Eastern water-wheel for irrigation. [Arab. *sāqiya* (*saqā* irrigate)]

sal (sahl), **saul**, n. Valuable Indian timber (tree). [Hind.]

salaam' (-lahm), n., & v.l. & t. 1. Oriental salutation 'Peace'; Indian obeisance with this, low bow of head & body with right palm on forehead. 2. vb. Make ~ (to). [f. Arab. *salam*]

sāl'able, a. Fit for sale, finding purchasers; ~ *price*, that article will fetch. Hence **sāl'ability** n. [-ABLE]

sāl'acious (-shus), a. Lustful, lecherous. Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS, **sāl'acity**, nn. [f. L *salax* (*salire* leap), -ACIOUS]

sāl'ad, n. Cold dish of various mixtures of raw or cooked vegetables or herbs usu. seasoned with oil, vinegar, etc., & eaten with or including cold fish, meat, hard-boiled eggs, etc.; vegetable or herb suitable for eating raw; ~days, inexperienced youth; ~dressing, mixture of oil, vinegar, cream, etc., taken with ~; ~oil, kinds of oil for ~dressing. [f. OF *salade* ult. f. L *sal* salt, -ADE(1)]

sāl'amānder, n. 1. Lizard-like animal supposed to live in fire; person who can endure great heat, fire-eating soldier etc.; spirit living in fire (cf. *sylph, gnome, nymph*); (Zool.) kinds of tailed amphibian, whence **sālāmān'droid** a. & n. 2. Red-hot iron for firing gunpowder, hot iron plate for browning omelettes etc. Hence **sālāmān'drian**, **sālāmān'drine**¹, aa. [F (-dre), f. L f. Gk *salamandra*]

sals'mé (-lah-), n. Italian sausage highly salted and flavoured often with garlic. [It.]

sāl-ammōn'iāc, n. Ammonium chloride. [L *sal* salt, AMMONIAC]

sāl'angāne (-ngg-), n. Swallow making edible nest. [F, f. *salanga* name in Luzon]

sālār'iāt, n. The salaried class. [F] **sāl'ar'y**, n., & v.t. 1. Fixed periodical payment made to person doing other than manual or mechanical work (cf. *wages*). 2. v.t. Pay ~y to (chiefly in p.p. ~ied pr. -rid). [AF (-ie), =OF *salair* f. L *salarium* orig. soldier's salt-money (*sal* salt, -ARY¹)]

sāle, n. Exchange of a commodity for money or other valuable consideration, selling (*on, for,* ~, *offered for purchase*;

~ &, or *or, return*, arrangement by which retailer takes quantity of goods with right of returning all that he fails to sell), amount sold (*the ~s were enormous*); public auction (*put up for ~, offer at auction*); rapid disposal at reduced prices of shop's stock at end of season; *BILL² of ~; ~ring*, ring of buyers at auction; ~*s*man, ~*s*woman, person engaged in selling goods in shop or as middleman between producer & retailer, whence ~*s*'manship (-iz-) n., skill in this art; ~*s* resistance, the opposition or apathy of the prospective customer etc., to be overcome by ~manship. [OE *sala* prob. f. ON *sala* cogn. w. *SELL*]

|| *Säl'em*, n. Nonconformist chapel. [*Heb.* vit. 2]

säl'ep, n. Nutritive meal from dried tubers of some orchidaceous plants. [F f. Turk., f. Arab. *tha'leb*]

**sälerät'us*, n. Impure bicarbonate of potash or sodium bicarbonate as ingredient in baking-powders. [f. mod. L *sal aeratus* AERATED salt]

Säl'ian¹, a. Of the Sali or priests of Mars. [L *Salii* pl. (*sälire* leap), -AN]

Säl'ian², a. & n. (Member) of Frankish tribe near Zuyder Zee from which the Merovingians were descended. [LL *Salii* the tribe, -AN]

Säl'ic, *Salique'* (-ëk), aa. (Form -ic) -prec., adj. (~ *law*, Frankish law-book extant in Merovingian & Carolingian times); (-ic, -ique) ~ *law*, law excluding females from dynastic succession, esp. as alleged fundamental law of French monarchy (based on a quotation, not referring to such succession, from the law-book above). [F (-que) f. *Salii* (prec.), -ic]

säl'icin, n. Bitter crystalline principle got from willow-bark & used medicinally. So *säl'icyl* n., *säl'icyl'ic* a. (*salicylic acid*, used as antiseptic & for rheumatism), *säl'icylate*'(3) n., *säl'icylize*(5) & in same sense *säl'icylate*' vvt., *säl'icylism*(5) n., *säl'icylous* (chem.) a. [F (-ine), f. L *salix* -icis willow, -IN]

säl'icional (-shon-), *säl'icët*, nn. Organ stop of soft reedy tone as of willow pipe. [G. f. L *salix* (prec.) w. suff.]

säl'ient, a. & n. 1. Leaping or dancing (pedant., joc.), (of water etc., poet.) jetting forth, (~ *point*, arch., initial stage or origin or first beginning, from old med. use = heart as it first shows in an embryo); (of angle, esp. in Fortif., opp. RE-ENTRANT) pointing outwards; jutting out, prominent, conspicuous, most noticeable, (~ *points*, *features*, *characteristics*). 2. n. A ~ angle or part in fortification (*the S~*, that at Ypres in the 1914-18 war). Hence *säl'iench*, *säl'ieney*, nn., ~*ly*¹ adv. [f. L *salire* leap, -ENT]

sälif'erous, a. (geol.). (Of strata) containing much salt. [L *sal* salt, -i-, -ferous]

säl'ine (or *salin'*), a. & n. 1. (Of natural waters, springs, etc.) impregnated with salt or salts, whence *säl'inöm* 'ETER n.: (of taste) salt; of chemical salts, of the nature of a salt; (of medicines) containing salt(s) of alkaline metals or magnesium; hence *salin'ity* n., *salin'o-* comb. form. 2. n. Salt lake, spring, marsh, etc.; salt-pan, salt-works; ~ substance; ~ purge; solution of salt & water. [prec. -INE¹]

Salique. See *SALIC*.

saliv'a, n. Colourless liquid given by mixed secretions of salivary & mucous glands discharged into mouth & assisting mastication, spittle. So *säl'ivary*¹ a. [L]

säl'iv'äte, v.t. & i. Produce unusual secretion of saliva in (person) usu. with mercury; secrete or discharge saliva esp. in excess. So ~*ATION* n. [f. L *salivare*, -ATE²]

salle (sahl), n. Hall, room, (of foreign countries); ~*d-manger* (see Ap.), dining-room, coffee-room; ~*d'attente* (see Ap.), waiting-room at station. [F]

säl'enders, n. pl. Dry eruption inside hock of horse's hind-leg (cf. MALANDERS). [cf. F *solandre*; etym. dub.]

säl'ow¹ (-ö), n. Willow-tree, esp. of low-growing or shrubby kinds, whence ~*r*² (-öi) a.: a shoot, the wood, of this. [OE *sealh*, cf. OHG *salaha*, ON *selja*, also L *salix*, Gk *helikē*]

säl'ow² (-ö), a. (~*er*, ~*est*), n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Of human skin or complexion or person in these respects, rarely of foliage) of sickly yellow or pale brown; hence ~*ish*¹(2) (-öi-) a., ~*NESS* (-ön-) n. 2. n. ~ hue. 3. vb. Make or grow ~. [OE *salu*, cf. MDu. *salu* discoloured, OHG *salo* dark]

säl'y¹, n., & v.i. 1. Rush of besieged upon besiegers, sortie: a going forth, excursion; sudden start into activity, outburst; escapade (rare); witticism, piece of banter, lively remark esp. by way of attack upon person or thing or of diversion in argument; ~*port*, opening in fortification for making ~ from. 2. v.i. Make military ~ (often *out*); go forth or out on a journey, for a walk, etc.; issue, come out, suddenly (rare). [vb f. n., f. F *saillie* (*saillir* issue, in OF also dance, f. L *salire* leap)]

säl'y², n. First movement of bell when set for ringing (also *hand-stroke*, opp. *back-stroke*), bell's position when set; part of bell-rope prepared with inwoven wool for holding; ~*hole*, through which bell-rope passes. [perh. f. prec. in obs. sense *swinging motion*]

Säl'y³, fam. for *Sarah* (AUNT ~; || ~ *Lunn*, sweet light tea-cake served hot, perh. f. name of girl hawking them at Bath c. 1800).

säl'magün'di, n. Dish of chopped meat, anchovies, eggs, onions, etc., & seasoning;

general mixture, miscellaneous collection, of articles, subjects, qualities, etc. [f. F *salmigonaïs* etym. dub.]

säl'mi (-è), n. Ragout esp. of game-birds. [F, prob. short for prec.]

salmon (säm'on), n. (collect. sing. usual for pl.) & a. 1. Large silver-scaled pink-fleshed anadromous fish much prized for food & sport; ~-colour(ed), (of) the orange-pink colour of ~-flesh; ~-ladder, -leap, -pass, -stair, series of steps or other arrangement for allowing ~ to pass dam & ascend stream; ~ peel (or peal), small grilse; ~ steak, fried slice of ~; ~ trout, N.-Europ. fish resembling ~; hence **säl'mon**-oid a. & n. 2. adj. ~-coloured, orange-pink. [Af *samoun* f. L *salmonem* nom. -o prob. cogn. w. *salire* leap]

Sälomön'ic, Sälomön'ian, aa. Of, as of, Solomon. [L *Salomon* Solomon, -ic, -ian]

salon (see Ap.), n. Reception-room in continental, esp. French, great house; (reunion of notabilities in) reception-room of (esp. Parisian) lady of fashion; the S~, annual exhibition of living artists' pictures in Paris; ~ music, light music for drawing-room. [F]

saloon', n. 1. Hall or large room, esp. in hotel or place of public resort, fit for assemblies, exhibitions, etc. 2. Large cabin for first-class or for all passengers on ship; cabin for passengers in large aircraft. 3. || (Also ~-car, -carriage) luxurious railway carriage without compartments furnished as drawing-room etc. (also sleeping, dining, ~). 4. || Public room(s) or gallery for specified purpose (*billiard, dancing, shaving, shooting, etc.*, ~). 5. *Drinking-bar. 6. || ~ bar, first-class bar in English public-house; || ~ car, (also) motor-car with closed body and no partition behind driver; ~ deck, reserved for ~ passengers; ~-keeper, of bar; || ~ pistol, rifle, adapted for short-range practice in shooting ~. [f. proc., f. It. *salone* (sala hall f. Teut. cf. G *saal*, -oon)]

salöop', n. = SALEP; hot drink of salep or sassafras formerly sold as substitute for coffee at London street-stalls. [var. of SALEP]

Salöp'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Shropshire; (member) of Shrewsbury school. [*Salop* Shropshire f. AF *Sloppesberie* corrupt. of OE *Scrobbesbyrig* Shrewsbury, -ian]

sälpi-glöss'is, n. Herbaceous showy-flowered garden-plant allied to petunia. [irreg. f. Gk *salpigx* trumpet, *glössa* tongue]

säl'sify', n. British & Continental plant with long cylindrical fleshy roots eaten as vegetable, Purple Goat's-beard. [f. F *salsifis*, cf. It. *sassefrica* etym. dub.]

salt (sawlt, sölt), n., a., & v.t. 1. (Often common ~) substance that gives sea-water its characteristic taste got in crystalline forms from strata consisting

of it or by evaporation of brine pumped from these or of sea-water & used for seasoning or preserving food & other purposes, sodium chloride, (BAY-SALT, SEA~, ROCK~; while ~, refined for household use from the brownish rock~; table ~, powdered or easy to powder for the ~-cellar; in ~, sprinkled with ~ or immersed in brine as preservative; eat ~ with, be guest of; eat one's ~, be his guest or dependant; is not, any one, worth his ~, efficient, worth keeping; drop pinch of ~ on tail of, capture, w. ref. to directions given children for catching bird; take with a grain of ~, regard as exaggerated, be incredulous about, believe only part of; am not made of ~, can go out in rain without fear of dissolving; the ~ of the earth, people or classes for whose existence the world is better, moral élite, see Matt. v. 13). 2. Sting, piquancy, pungency. wit, (no ~ in such tears; talk full of ~; Attic~). 3. (Old Chem.) solid soluble non-inflammable sapid substance (obs. exc. in some compd names, as ~ of LEMON~, GLAUBER'S SALT, SMELLING ~s, EPSOM ~); (Chem.) compound of basic & acid radicals, acid with whole or part of its hydrogen replaced by a metal. 4. ~-cellar (chiefly now in trade use; & hist. in above, below, etc., the ~, seated at table among the family & their equals, among the servants & dependants). 5. (Also ~marsh, ~ing~ n.) marsh overflowed by sea, often used as pasture or for collecting water for ~-making. 6. pl. Exceptional rush of sea-water up river. 7. Experienced sailor (esp. old ~). 8. ~cat [cat unexpl.], mass of ~ mixed with gravel, urine, etc., to attract pigeons & keep them at home; ~cellar [assim. of obs. *saler* (f. OF *salier* ~box f. L as SALARY) to cellar], vessel holding ~ for table use, (also, colloq.) specially deep hollow above collar-bone in woman's neck (regarded as disfigurement; usu. pl.); ~glaze, glaze on stoneware made by throwing ~ into furnace; ~lick, place where animals collect to lick earth impregnated with ~; ~mine, yielding rock~; ~pan, depression near sea, vessel, used for getting ~ by evaporation; ~pit, pit yielding ~; ~pond, natural or artificial for evaporating sea-water; ~spoon, usu. with short handle & roundish deep bowl for helping ~; ~well, bored well yielding brine; ~works, ~manufactory; ~wort, kinds of maritime & ~marsh plants; hence ~less, ~y~, aa., ~iness n. 9. adj. Impregnated with, containing, tasting of, cured or preserved or seasoned with ~ (cf. FRESH); (of plants) growing in sea or ~marshes; (of tears, grief, etc.) bitter, afflicting; (of wit etc.) pungent; (of stories, jests, etc.) indecent, spicy; (of bill, charge, etc.) exorbitant; ~horse (Naut. sl.), ~beef; ~JUNK~; ~water, sea-water, tears; ~water, of, living

in, the sea; hence ~ISH¹(2) a., ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. 10. v.t. Cure or preserve with ~ or brine (~ down money or stock, sl., put it by); sprinkle (esp. snow to melt it in street) with ~; make ~, season, (lit. & fig.); (p.p.; of horses or persons) proof against diseases incident to climate or special conditions by habituation, hardened; treat (esp. paper in Photog.) with solution of ~ or mixture of ~s; (Commerc., sl.) ~ an account etc., put down extreme price for articles, ~ the books, represent receipts as larger than they have been; (Mining, sl.) ~ a mine, introduce extraneous ore etc. to make it seem rich. [com.-Teut.; OE *sealt(an)*, cf. Du. *zout(en)*, G *salz(en)*, cogn. w. Gk *hals*, L *sal*]

saltarello *l'ò*, n. Italian & Spanish dance with sudden skips for one couple. [It. & (-elo) Sp.]

sáltá'tion, n. Leaping, dancing, a jump; sudden transition or movement. So **sál'tatory**, **sáltatór'ial**, aa. [f. L *saltatio* (saltare frequent. of *salire* salt-leap, -ATION)]

salt'er (sawl-, sól-), n. Manufacturer of, dealer in, salt; = DRY¹~; workman at salt-works; person who salts fish etc. [OE *sealtre* (SALT n. & v., -ER¹)]

salt'ern (sawl-, sól-), n. A salt-works; set of pools for natural evaporation of seawater. [OE *sealtarn* (SALT, *arn* hut)]

sált'igráde, a. & n. (Spider) with legs adapted for jumping. [L *saltus* -ús leap (*salire* salt-), -gradus -walking]

sáltimbán'cò, n. Mountebank, quack. [It.]

sált'ife, n. (her.). Ordinary formed by bend & bend sinister crossing like a St Andrew's cross (in ~, per ~, so arranged). Hence ~WISE (-fifw) adv. [f. OF *sautoir* stle, saltire, f. L *saltatorium* (SALTATION, -ORY)]

sálpetre (sawltép't'er, sól-), n. Potassium nitrate, nitre, white crystalline salty substance used as constituent of gunpowder, in preserving meat, & medicinally (*Chili* or *cubic* ~, sodium nitrate); ~paper, TOUCH-paper; ~rot, white efflorescence on new or damp walls. [earlier & OF *salpetre* f. med. L *salpetra* prob. for *sal petrae* salt of stone (i.e. found as incrustation) w. assim. to *salt*; *petrae* f. LL f. Gk *petra* rock]

sált'us, n. (pl. -ús). Sudden transition, breach of continuity. [L. = leap]

salu'bríous (-lò-, -lù-), a. Healthy (chiefly of climate, air, etc.; rarely of food, exercise, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., **salu'brity** n., (-lò-, -lù-). [L *salubris* (as SALUTARY), -OUS]

Salu'ki (-lò-), n. Breed of dog, Arabian gazelle-hound. [Arab.]

sál'utárý, a. Salubrious (now rare); producing good effects, beneficial. [f. L *salutaris* (*salus* -utis health, -AR¹), -ARY¹]

sáltutá'tion, n. (Use of) words spoken or written to convey interest in another's health etc., pleasure at sight of or communication with him, or courteous recognition of his arrival or departure, (rarely, now usu. *salute*) gesture of similar import, (*the Angelic S~*, the Ave Maria). Hence or cogn. ~AL (-sho-), **salu'tatory** (-lò-, -lù-), aa. [OF (-cion), f. L *salutationem* (foll., -ATION)]

salute' (-òt-, -ùt-, v.t. & i., & n. 1. [Make salutation to, greet; (rare) hail as (king etc.); perform ~ to or to, perform ~; (arch.) kiss (person, cheek, hand) esp. at meeting or parting; accost or receive with a smile, oath, volley, etc.; become perceptible to (eye, ear, person arriving). 2. n. Gesture expressing respect, homage, or courteous recognition, to person esp. when arriving or departing; (Mil., Naut.) prescribed movement or position of body or weapons, or use of flag(s) or discharge of gun(s) in sign of respect, (*a ~ of 7 guns was fired*; the ~, attitude taken by individual soldier, sailor, policeman, etc., in saluting; *take the ~*, esp. of highest officer present, acknowledge it as meant for him by gesture); (Fenc.) formal performance of certain guards etc. by fencers before engaging; kiss given, prop. as greeting (arch. or joc.; often a *chaste ~*). [vb f. L *salutare* (*salus* -utis health); n. f. *salut* partly f. L *salutem* nom. -us & partly f. com.-Rom. & L *salutare*]

sálutif'erous (-lò-, -lù-), a. (now rare). Promoting health. [f. L *salutifer* (prec., -FEROUS)]

sál'vage, n., & v.t. 1. (Payment made or due for) saving of a ship or its cargo from loss by wreck or capture (also attrib., as ~ money); rescue of property from fire etc.; property ~d; saving & utilization of waste paper, scrap-metal, etc.; materials ~d. 2. v.t. Make ~ of, save from wreck, fire, etc. [OF (L *salvare* SAVE¹, -AGE)]

sál'varsán, n. Drug used esp. in syphilis. [P]

sálvā'tion, n. 1. Saving of the soul; deliverance from sin & its consequences & admission to heaven brought about by Christ (*find ~*, be converted, also joc. discover formula that will enable one to abandon one's principles etc.). 2. Preservation from loss, calamity, etc., thing that preserves from these (esp. *bethe ~ of*). 3. *S~ Army*, organization on military model for revival of religion among the masses, whence (& w. ref. to religious revivals in general) ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), na., (-sho-). [OF (-cion), f. L *salvationem* (SAVE¹, -ATION)]

salve¹ (sahv, sálv, n., & v.t. 1. Healing ointment for sores or wounds (now chiefly poet. & in lmp.-ing). 2. Mixture of tar & grease for anecuring sheep. 3. Something that soothes wounded feelings or uneasy

consolence or (arch.) glazes over discrepancy or palliates fault (usu. *for*). 4. *v.t.* Anoint (wound etc.; arch. exc. in fig. use—*soothe* as below). 5. Smear (sheep). 6. Smooth over or make good (defect, disgrace, etc.; arch.); soothe (pride, self-love, conscience, etc.). 7. Account for, dispose of, harmonize, vindicate, (difficulty, doubt, discrepancy, person's honour). 8. Save (ship, cargo) from loss at sea or (property) from fire, whence **SALVABLE** *a.* [n. in 1st sense OE *sculf*, cf. Du. *zulf*, G. *salbe*, cogn. w. Skr. *sarpis* clarified butter & perh. Gk *olpē* oil-flask, in 2nd sense *f. vb*; *vb* partly *f. n.*, partly *f. l.* *salvare* *SAFE*¹ esp. as connected w. **SALVO**¹, & in last sense back formation *f.* **SALVAGE**]

sāl'vā², *n.* (Also *S~regina*) R.-C. antiphon beginning with ~ recited after Divine Office from Trinity Sunday to Advent, music for it. [*l.* (*vb* imperat. = hail)]

sāl'ver, *n.* Tray usu. of gold, silver, brass, or electropate, on which servants hand refreshments, letters, cards, etc. [*f.* *F* *salve* tray for presenting certain things to king *f.* Sp. *salva* assaying of food (*salvo* *SAFE*²) + *-ER*¹]

sāl'via, *n.* (Kinds of) gamopetalous plant of the sage family (including several garden flowering plants). [*l.* = *SAGE*¹, *f.* *salvus* safe (from the medicinal properties of the herb)]

sāl'vō¹, *n.* (pl. ~s). Saving clause, reservation, (often *of*; with an express ~ of *their rights*); tacit reservation, quibbling evasion, bad excuse; expedient for saving reputation or soothing pride or conscience. [*f.* *l.* *abl.* of *salvus* *SAFE*² as used in *salvo jure* etc. without prejudice to the right etc.]

sāl'vō², *n.* (pl. ~es, ~s). Simultaneous discharge of pieces of artillery or other firearms esp. as salute, or in seafight; number (of bombs) released from aircraft at the same moment, cf. *STICK*; round or volley of applause. [earlier & *l.* *salva* salutation, perh. com.-Roun. *f.* *l.* *SALVE*¹]

sāl'volāt'ile, *n.* (Aromatic solution, taken for faintness etc.), of ammonium carbonate. (mod. *l.* = volatile salt)

sāl'vor, *n.* Person, ship, making or assisting in salvage. [*SALVE*¹ *vb.* -*OR*¹]

Sām, *n.* (sl.). *Stand ~*, bear the expense esp. of drink; || *upon my ~*, asseveration. [?]

Samā'rītan, *n.* & *a.* 1. Native, language, of Samaria (*good ~*, genuinely charitable person, w. ref. to *Luke* x. 33 etc.); adherent of the ~ religious system. 2. *adj.* Of Samaria or the ~s (*the ~ pentateuch*, reversion used by ~s of which MSS. are in ~ or archaic-Hebrew characters). Hence **~ISM** (2, 3, 4) *n.* [*f.* *l.l.* *Samaritanus* *f.* Gk *Samareitēs* (Samareia Samaria) + *-AN*]

sām'bō, *n.* (pl. ~s, ~es). Half-breed esp.

of Negro & Indian or European blood; (*S~*; nickname for) Negro. [1st sense *f.* Sp. *zambo* perh. = *zambo* bandy-legged; 2nd sense etym. dub.]

Sām Browne, *n.* Army officer's belt & straps. [*f.* Gen. Sir S. J. Browne]

sām'būr, *n.* Indian elk. [*f.* Hind. *sa(m)-bar*]

sāme, *a.* 1. Monotonous, uniform, unvarying, (*the life is perhaps a little ~*), whence **~NESS** (*-mn-*) *n.*; (with *this, these, that, those*; often w. depreciatory intention) aforesaid, previously alluded to or thought of, (*what is the use of this ~ patience?*); (vulg. or commerc.) = *the ~* (pron. & adv., as specified below). 2. *The ~*, *a.*, pron., & adv.: (*adj.*) Identical, not different, indifferent, unchanged, (*also the very ~*, *just the ~*, & in sing. *one & the ~*; *the ~ causes produce the ~ effects*; *the difference between a body in motion & the ~ body at rest*; *the ~ observations are true of the others also*; *all planets travel in the ~ direction*; *belong to one & the ~ class*; *say the ~ thing twice over*; *several of the very ~ birds*; *bigotry is the ~ in every age*; *she was always the ~ to me*; *it is all, just, the ~ to me*, makes no difference; *much the ~*, not appreciably different; *at the ~ time*, often introducing fact etc. in apparent conflict with what precedes but also true or to be remembered; *by the ~* **TOKEN**); Identical with (words of the ~ nature with those he had first heard; expectation of pleasure is the ~ thing with desire); (emphatic substitute—before full or elliptical relative clause with *that, where*, etc., or esp. as which often replaces *that* under its influence—for) *the, that, those, (at the ~ time that I am endeavouring; to the ~ place where I had found it; on the ~ grounds that he would defend suicide; I have the ~ Bible my mother gave me; Rhenish wine at the ~ price as French is sold at; sailors received the ~ pay as soldiers; Olympia, the ~ city as Pisa; gave the ~ answer as before)*; (pron.) *the ~ person* (now rare exc. in *To, From, the ~* as heading of letter or poem addressed to or coming from ~ person as the preceding one), *the ~ thing (we must all say, do, the ~; would do the ~ again)*, the aforesaid thing or person (arch., legal, commerc., & vulg.; occas. in commerc. & vulg. use with omission of *the*; *grace & power faithfully to fulfil the ~; he that shall endure unto the end, the ~ shall be saved; & never met, found, the ~ again; to repairing sleeve of ~ 1/3*); (*adv.*) in the ~ manner (*think the ~ of, feel the ~ to, remain in the ~ mind regarding; we take what pleasure we can get the ~*, or vulg. *~, as you do; all the ~*, nevertheless, notwithstanding, even under different circumstances; *just the ~*, in spite of changed conditions). [*ON*, cf. OHG & Goth. *sama*; cogn. w. Skr. *sama*, Gk *homos*]

sám'el, a. (Of brick, tile) imperfectly baked, soft, from being outmost in the baking. [perh. f. OE *sam-* half, cogn. w. SEMI-, *ðlan* burn]

Sám'ian, a. & n. (Native) of Samos (~ware, fine pottery found on Roman sites). [L f. Gk *Samos* (Samos), -AN]

sám'isén, n. Long three-stringed Japanese guitar, played with plectrum. [Jap., f. Chin. *san-hsien* (san three, *hsien* string)]

sám'íte, n. (arch.). Rich medieval dress-fabric of silk occas. interwoven with gold. [f. (OF *samit* or) mod. L *samitum* f. late Gk *hexamitum* (*hex* six, *mitos* thread) perh. = fabric in which weft-threads are caught only at every sixth warp-thread, cf. DIMITY]

sám'lét, n. Young salmon. [SALMON, -LET]

Sám'nite, n. & a. 1. Member of an ancient-Italian people at war with republican Rome. 2. adj. Of the ~s. [f. L *Samnites* pl.]

Samó'an, a. & n. (Native, language) of Samoa. [-AN]

sámovár, n. Russian tea-urn with interior heat-tube. [f. Russ. *samovaru* = self-boiler]

Sám'oyéd (-mo-), n. Member of a race of Siberian Mongols (also attrib.); their language; white Arctic breed of dog. [f. Russ. *Samojedy*]

Sámoyéd'ic (-mo-), a. & n. Of the Samoyeds; (n.) their language. [-IC]

sám'pán, n. Any small boat of Chinese pattern. [f. Chin. *san-pan* (san three, *pan* board)]

sám'phīre, n. Cliff plant with aromatic saline fleshy leaves used in pickles. [earlier *sampere* f. F (*herbe de*) *St Pierre* St Peter's herb)]

sa'mple (sah-), n., & v.t. 1. Small separated part of something illustrating the qualities of the mass etc. It is taken from, specimen, pattern, (esp. as offered by dealer in commodities sold by weight or measure; also of immaterial things, as *if that is a fair ~ of his proceedings*); ~card, card with ~(s) of goods attached. 2. v.t. Take or give ~s, try the qualities, get a representative experience, of; hence **sa'mpler**¹ [-ER¹] n. [f. obs. *essample* var. of *EXAMPLE*]

sa'mpler² (sah-), n. 1. Piece of embroidery worked by girl as specimen of proficiency & often preserved & displayed on wall etc. 2. Young tree left standing when others are cut down. [f. OF *exemplaire* f. L *exemplaris* (EXAMPLE, -AR¹, -ER²)]

Sám'son, -pson, n. Person of great strength or resembling ~ (*Judg.* xiii-xvi) in some respect; (Naut.) ~'s-post, strong pillar passing through hold or between decks, post in whale-boat to which harpoon rope is attached. [L, f. Gk (-*psōn*) f. Heb. *Shimshon*]

sám'urai (-ōri), n. (Jap.; pl. same). Military retainer of daimios, member of military caste, (hist.); army officer. [Jap.]

sán'ad, n. (India). Deed of grant; charter, warrant. [Hind. & Arab., = signature, deed]

sán'ative, -torý, aa. Healing, of or tending to physical or moral health, curative. [-ive f. mod. L *sanativus*, -ory mod., f. L *sanare* cure, -IVE, -ORY]

sánatō'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Establishment for treatment of invalids esp. convalescents & consumptives; place with good climate etc. frequented by invalids. [as prec., -ORY (2)]

sánbén'i'tō (-né-), n. (pl. ~s). Penitential scapular-shaped yellow garment with red St Andrew's cross before & behind worn by confessed & penitent heretic under Spanish Inquisition; similar black garment painted with flames & devils worn by impenitent heretic at auto-da-fé. [Sp. (*samb-*), f. *San Benito* St Benedict (shaped like scapular introduced by him)]

sán'ctify, v.t. Consecrate, set apart or observe as holy; purify or free from sin (p.p. often iron. = *sanctimonious*; *such ~fied airs*); impart sanctity to, make legitimate or binding by religious sanction, give colour of innocence to, justify, sanction (*the end ~fies the means*); make productive of or conducive to holiness. So ~FICATION n. [f. OF *sainctifier* f. eccl. L *sanctificare* (L *sanctus* holy, -FY)]

sanctimón'ious, a. Making a show of sanctity or piety. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [foll., -OUS]

sán'ctimóný, n. Sanctimoniousness. [OF (-ie), f. L *sanctimonia* sanctity (*sanctus* SAINT, -MONY)]

sán'ction, n., & v.t. 1. Law, decree, (hist.); PRAGMATIC ~. 2. Penalty (also *vindictory* or *punitive* ~) or reward (also *remuneratory* ~) for (dis)obedience attached to a law, clause containing this; (Eth.) consideration operating to enforce obedience to any rule of conduct. 3. Confirmation or ratification of law etc. by supreme authority, express authoritative permission, countenance or encouragement given to action etc. by custom etc.; hence ~LESS a. 4. v.t. Ratify, invest with authority, make binding; authorize; countenance (action etc.); attach penalty or reward to (law). [vb f. n., f. L *sanctio* (*sancti* *sanct-* make sacred, -ION)]

sán'ctitude, n. (now rare). Saintliness. [f. L *sanctitudo* (SAINT, -TUDE)]

sán'ctitý, n. Holiness of life, saintliness, (ODOUR of ~); sacredness, being hallowed, right to reverence, inviolability; (pl.) sacred obligations, feelings, etc. (*the ~ies of the home*). [f. OF *saincteté* f. L *sanctitatem* (SAINT, -TY)]

sán'ctuary, n. 1. Place recognized as holy, church, temple, tabernacle, HOLY place, HOLY of holies, SACRARIUM, pene-

tralia, inmost recess, (lit. & fig.). 2. Sacred place by retiring to which fugitive from law or debtor was secured by medieval Church law against arrest or violence. place in which similar immunity was established by custom or law, asylum or place of refuge (*London, the ~ of political refugees*); (right of affording) such immunity (*violate or break ~, arrest or use violence to person in a ~; take, seek, etc., ~, resort to a ~; rights etc. of ~*). 3. Place for protection of birds & wild animals. [*OF sanctuarie f. L sanctuarium (irreg. as SAINT, -ARY¹)*]

sanc'tum (sanc'tō'rum), *n.* 1. Holy place (~), HOLY of holies (~ *sanctorum*), in Jewish temple (usu. transf. of inner retreat, esoteric doctrine, etc.). 2. Person's private room, study, den. [*L, transl. of Heb.*]

sanc'tus, *n.* The hymn 'Holy, holy, holy' closing the Eucharistic preface, music for this; ~ *bell*, bell in turret at junction of nave & chancel, or handbell, rung at the ~. [*L, = holy*]

sand, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Minute fragments resulting from wearing down of esp. silicious rocks & found covering parts of the seashore, riverbeds, deserts, etc., (also pl.) shoal or submarine bank of ~, (usu. in pl.) grain of ~, (pl.) expanse or tracts of ~, (*numberless as the ~ or ~s*; ROPE of ~; *built etc. on ~*, unstable; FLOUGH the ~ or ~s; *the ~s are running out etc.*, time of grace etc. is nearly at end, *w. ref. to hour-glass etc.*; *children playing on the ~s*; *scour saucepan, adulterate sugar, dry ink or writing, with ~*). 2. * (colloq.). Firmness of purpose, grit. 3. ~ *bag*, *n.*, filled with ~ for use (a) in fortification for making temporary defences, (b) as ballast esp. for boat or balloon, (c) as ruffian's weapon inflicting heavy blow without leaving mark, (d) as support for engraving-plate, (e) to stop draught from window or door; ~ *bag* *v.t.*, barricade or defend, provide (window, chink), with ~ *bag(s)*, fell with blow from ~ *bag*; ~ *bank*, shoal in sea or river; ~ *bar*, ~ *bank* at mouth of harbour or river; ~ *bed*, vessel of heated ~ as equable heater in chem. processes; ~ *bed*, stratum of ~; ~ *blast*, jet of ~ impelled by compressed air or steam for giving rough surface to glass etc.; ~ *box*, castor for sprinkling ~ over wet ink (hist.), mould of ~ used in founding, box of ~ on locomotive for sprinkling slippery rails, (Golf) receptacle for ~ used in teeing; ~ *boy*, (prob.) boy hawking ~ for sale (now only in *jolly as a boy*); ~ *cloud*, driving ~ in simoom; ~ *crack*, disease of horses' hoofs, crack in human foot from walking on hot ~, crack in brick due to imperfect mixing; ~ *eel*, an eel-like fish; ~ *fly*, kind of midge, kind of fishing-fly; ~ *glass*, wasp-waisted reversible glass with two bulbs

containing enough ~ to take a definite time (*hour, minute, etc., -glass*) in passing from upper to lower bulb; ~ *hill*, dune; ~ *hopper*, small marine crustacean, common on seashore; ~ *man*, (also *dust-man*) power causing children's eyes to smart towards bedtime; ~ *martin*, kind nesting in side of ~ *pit* or sandy bank; ~ *paper*, with ~ stuck to it for polishing, (*v.t.*) polish with ~ *paper*; ~ *piper*, kinds of bird haunting open wet sandy places; ~ *pump*, for clearing drill-hole, caisson, etc., of wet ~; ~ *shoes*, usu. of canvas with rubber or hemp soles for use on ~s; ~ *spout*, pillar of ~ raised by desert whirlwind; ~ *stone*, rock of compressed ~ (*old, new, red, ~stone*, series of British rocks below, above, carboniferous); ~ *storm*, desert storm of wind with clouds of ~. 4. *v.t.* Sprinkle with ~; overlay with, bury under, ~; adulterate (sugar, wool, etc.) with ~; polish with ~. [*com.-Teut.*; OE; cf. G *sand*, Du. *zand*]

sān'dal¹, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-ll-). 1. Sole without uppers attached to foot by thongs passing over instep & round ankle (worn chiefly by ancient Greeks & Romans, by some Orientals, & as modern revival esp. by children); strap for fastening low shoe passing over instep or round ankle. 2. *v.t.* Put ~s on (feet, person; esp. in *p.p.*); fasten or provide (shoe) with ~. [*f. L f. Gk sandalion cf. sanbalon, etym. dub.*]

sān'dal² (wood), *n.* Kinds of scented wood (*white, yellow, red, ~*); *sandal-tree*, the Malabar white ~ tree. [*f. med. L sandalum, cf. Arab. qandal*]

sān'darāc, *n.* = REALGUM; (also *gum ~*) kind of resin used in preparing spirit varnish & pounce. [*f. L f. Gk sandarakē*]

sān'd-blind, *a.* (arch.). Dim-sighted, purblind. [*prob. for samblind cf. SAMEL*]

sān'derling, *n.* A small wading bird. [?]

sān'ders, saun-, *n.* || = SANDALWOOD; RED ~. [*f. OF sandre var. of sandle SANDAL**]

Sān'dhūst (-d-h-), *n.* (Used for) Royal Military College or Academy, ~, for army cadets. [*in Berkshire*]

sān'diver, *n.* Glass-gall, liquid saline matter given off in glass-making. [*prob. f. F suin de verre exhalation (suer sweat) of glass*]

sān'd'wich, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Two slices of bread with meat or other relish between (*ham, egg, caviare, cucumber, etc., ~*; also fig., as *a ~ of good & bad*); (usu. ~ *man, -boy, etc.*) man etc. walking street with two advertisement-boards hung one before & one behind; ~ *board*, one of such boards; || ~ *boat* in bumping race, boat rowing last in higher & first in lower division on same day. 2. *v.t.* Insert (thing, statement, etc.) between two of another character. [*perh. f. Earl of S~ (said to have eaten slices of bread & toast while gaming for 24 hrs)*]

sān'd'ŷ¹, *a.* In *n.* senses; also, (of hair)

yellowish-red, (of person) with such hair. Hence ~INESS n., ~YISH¹(2) a. [-Y¹]

Sān'dy¹, n. (Nickname for) Scotsman. [usual Sc. shortening of *Alexander*]

sane, a. Of sound mind, not mad; (of views etc.) moderate, sensible. Hence ~LY¹ (-nl-) adv. [f. L *sanus* healthy]

sang. See SING.

sāng'a(r) (-ngg-), n. Stone breastwork used by Indian hill-tribes. [f. Hind. *sunga*]

sāngaree' (-ngg-), n. Cold drink of wine diluted & spiced. [f. Sp. *sangria* (lit. bleeding) drink of lemon-water & red wine]

sang-de-bœuf (sahndebûf'), n. & a. (Of) a deep red colour found on old Chinese porcelain. [F. = ox's blood]

sang-froid (see Ap.), n. Composure, coolness, in danger or under agitating circumstances. [F. = cold blood]

sangrail, -real. See GRAIL¹.

sanguificā'tion (-nggwī-), n. Formation of, conversion of food into, blood. [L *sanguis* blood, -FICATION]

sanguinari'y (-nggwī-), a. Attended by, delighting in, bloodshed or slaughter, bloody, bloodthirsty, (of laws) inflicting death lightly; || (euphem., substituted in reporting foul language, or used orig. as milder form, for) bloody. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *sanguinarius* (*sanguis* -inis blood, -ARY¹)]

sanguine (-nggwīn), a., n., & v.t. 1. Blood-red (literary, & in Nat. Hist. = L *sanguineus*, as ~ ant, sponge, turtle); of blood (rare; ~ rain), sanguinary (rare; ~ slaughter); (Hist.) of the temperament in which the blood predominates over the other humours, with ruddy complexion & courageous hopeful amorous disposition; (of complexion) bright, ruddy, florid; habitually hopeful, confident, expecting things to go well, whence (& rarely in other senses) ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Crayon coloured red with iron oxide; a drawing in red chalk. 3. v.t. (poet.). Stain with blood, stain red. [f. F *sanguin* f. L *sanguineus* (prec.)]

sanguin'eous (-nggwī-), a. Of blood (Med.); blood-coloured (esp. Bot.); full-blooded, plethoric. [f. L as prec., -OUS]

sān'hedrim (-nl-), n. Highest court of justice & supreme council in ancient Jerusalem, of 71 members. [f. late Heb. *sanhedrin* f. Gk *synedrion* (SYN-, *hedra* seat)]

sān'icle, n. An umbelliferous plant. [OF, f. med. L *sanicula* prob. f. L *sanus* SANE]

sān'ify, v.t. Make healthy, improve sanitary state of, (place). [f. L *sanus* healthy, -I-, -FY]

sān'itary, a. Of the conditions that affect health esp. with regard to dirt & infection; free from or designed to obviate influences deleterious to health; ~y towel (of kind used in menstruation). Hence

sānitar'ian (-ār-) n. & a., ~ILY² adv., ~INESS, ~IST(2), nn. [f. F *sanitaire* (L as SANITY, -ARY¹)]

sānitā'tion, n. Improving of sanitary conditions. Hence ~IST(2) (-sho-) n., (by back formation) **sān'itāte** v.t. & i. [Irreg. f. SANITARY, -ATION]

sān'ity, n. Being sane, mental health; tendency to avoid extreme views. [f. F *sanité* f. L *sanitatem* (SANE, -TY)]

sān'jāh, n. One of the administrative districts of a Turkish vilayet. [Turk.]

sank. See SINK¹.

sān(n)yasi (sūnyah'el), n. (Also *saṃnyā-see*) Indian religious mendicant. [Hind., f. Skr. *saṃnyāsin* laying aside]

sans, prep. Without (as E wd, pr. *sānz*, now chiefly w. ref. to Shaks. *A. Y. L. II. vii. 166*, ~ teeth, ~ eyes, ~ taste, ~ everything. As F wd, pr. as F, in phrr. & compounds, for pronunc. of which see Ap.: ~ *cérémonie* adv., with rude or hurried or kindly neglect of usual formalities; ~ *culotte*, pr. as F or E, lit. = breeches, republican of Parisian lower classes in French Revolution, any extreme republican or revolutionary, whence ~ *culott'erie* [-ERY(4, 5)] n., ~ *culott'ic* a., ~ *culott'ism* n.; ~ *façon* adv., outspokenly, uncereimoniously; ~ *gêne* n., absence of constraint, familiarity, making oneself at home; ~ *peur et ~ reproche* a., of chivalrous character, cf. BAYARD; ~ *phrase* adv., in a word, without qualification; ~ *souci* n., gay carelessness, unconcern. [OF, ult. f. L *sine*]

sānsē'rif, n. & a. (Form of type) without serifs. [prob. f. prec. + SERIF, but found earlier than serif]

Sān'skrit, -scrit, n. & a. (Of, in) the ancient & sacred language of India, oldest known member of INDO-European family. Hence **Sānskrit'ic** a., **Sān'skritist**(3) n. [f. Skr. *saṃskṛta* composed (sān together, cogn. w. SAME, kṛ make)]

Sān'ta Claus' (-z), n. Personage who fills children's stockings with Christmas presents by night. [U.S., f. Du. *Sint Klaas* St Nicholas]

sān'tōn, n. Mohammedan monk or hermit. [Sp. (*santo*) SAINT]

sāntōn'ica, n. Kind of wormwood. [L (*Santonos* Aquitanian tribe, -IC)]

sān'tonin, n. Extract of *santonica* used as anthelmintic. [-IN]

Saorstāt Eireann (sayōr'stath ēr'an), n. Republic of Ireland. [Ir.]

sāp¹, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Vital juice circulating in plants (also fig., as the ~ of youth, there is no ~ in a written constitution); (also ~wood) soft outer layers of wood, alburnum; ~green n. & a., pigment made from buckthorn berries, (of) colour of this; ~lath, made of ~wood; hence ~FUL, ~LESS, ~p'Y¹, aa., ~p'INESS n. 2. v.t. Drain or dry (wood) of ~; (fig.) exhaust vigour of (his energy, constitution, belief,

had been ~ped by; cf. foll.); remove ~ wood from (log). [OE *sæp*, cf. Du. *sap*, G *saft*; perh. cogn. v. L *sapere* taste]

săp¹, n., & v.i. & t. (-pp-). 1. Making of tranches to cover assailants' approach to besieged place, (fig.) insidious or slow undermining of belief, resolution, etc.; covered siege-trench; ~-head, front end of ~; ~-roller, large gabion covering ~-head. 2. vb. Dig ~, approach (l. & t.) by ~; undermine, make insecure by removing foundations, (fig.) destroy insidiously (cf. prec.), (walls, cliffs, ~ped by the stream, tide; health ~ped by the damp climate; science was ~ping old beliefs). [(vb f. F *saper*) f. F *sappe* or lt. *zappa* spade, sap, etym. dub.]

săp², v.i. (-pp-), & n. (school sl.). 1. || Be studious, work hard at books or lessons. 2. n. || Studious or hardworking person; || tiresome task, trouble, grind, (*it is such a, too much, ~*); * (sl.) simpleton. [prob. fig. use of prec.]

săp'ajou (-jô), n. Small S.-Amer. monkey often kept as pet. [F, earlier -iou, said to be Cayenne wd]

săp'an-wood, -pp-, n. A red dye-wood obtained from an E.-Ind. tree. [Malay *sapan*, cf. Tamil *shappangam*]

săp'id, a. Having (esp. agreeable) flavour, savoury, palatable, not insipid; (of talk, writing, etc.) not rapid or uninteresting. So **săp'id**ITY n. [f. L *sapidus* (*sapere* taste, -ID¹)]

săp'ient, a. Wise (now rare); would-be wise, of fancied sagacity, aping wisdom. Hence or cogn. **săp'ience** n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *sapient-* part. st. of *sapere* be wise]

săpién'tial (-shl), a. Of wisdom (esp. the ~ books, Prov., Eccl., Ecclesi., Cant., Wisd., etc.). [f. Eccl. L *sapientialis* (L *sapientia* wisdom as prec., -AL)]

săp'ling, n. Young tree; (*stages*) a youth, greyhound in first year (~ *stakes* in coursing). [Săp¹, -LING¹]

săpodill'a, n. Large evergreen tropical-Amer. tree with durable wood & edible fruit (~ plum or NASEBERRY). [f. Sp. *zapotilla* dim. of *zapote* f. Mex. *zapotl*]

săponă'ceous (-shus), a. Of, like, containing, soap, soapy (lit. & in joc. use, fig.). [f. L *sapo* -onis soap, -ACEOUS]

săpôn'ifly, v.t. & i. Turn (t. & i. of fat or oil) into soap by decomposition with alkali. Hence or cogn. ~FIABLE a., ~FICAT'ION n. [f. F *saponifier* (prec., -FY)]

săp'or, n. Quality perceptible by taste, e.g. sweetness; distinctive taste of substance; sensation of taste. [L (*sapere* taste, -OR¹)]

săpp'er, n. In vbl senses of Săp¹, a. & i.; also, || officer or man of Royal Engineers, as official term, private (*Royal S~s & Miners*, former title of R.E.). [-ER¹]

Săpphic (săf'ik), a. & n. 1. Of Sappho (Lesbian lyric poetess 600 B.C.; ~ *vice*, also **Săpphus** (săf'ism) n., unnatural sexual relations between women; ~ *verse*,

stanza, in Gk metres invented by Sappho & imitated in L by Horace, esp. the four-line stanza with short fourth line roughly copied in E light verse as *Needy knife-grinder, whither do you wander?*). 2. n. pl. Verse in ~ stanzas. [f. F *sapphique* f. L f. Gk *Sapphikos* (*Sapphō*, -io)]

sapphire (săf'ir), n. & a. 1. A transparent blue precious stone. (Mineral.) any precious native crystalline alumina including ~ & ruby; bright blue of ~, azure; kinds of humming-bird; so **săpphirine**² (săf'ir-) a. 2. adj. Of ~ blue. [f. OF *safir* f. L f. Gk *sappheiros* lapis lazuli]

sappy. See Săp¹.

săp'r(o)-, comb. form of Gk *sapos* rotten in scient. terms: ~aem'tia, septic poisoning, so ~aem'ic a., [Gk *haima* blood]; ~ogen'ic, causing or produced by putrefaction; ~ophile a. & n., (bacterium) inhabiting putrid matter; ~ophyte, vegetable organism living on decayed organic matter.

|| **săr**, n. A fish, the sea bream. [F, f. L *sargus*]

să'rabānd, n. Stately old Spanish dance; music for this or in its rhythm, in triple time freq. with long note on second beat of bar. [F (-de), f. Sp. *zarabanda* prob. of oriental orig.]

Să'racen, n. & a. 1. (General name among later Greeks & Romans for) nomad of Syro-Arabian desert; Arab or Moslem of time of crusades; || ~ *corn*, buckwheat; ~'s *head*, as heraldic charge or inn-sign; hence (esp. of Moslem archit.) **Săracen'io** a. 2. adj. = ~ic. [f. LL f. late Gk *Sarakēnos* etym. dub.]

Săratōg'a (trunk), n. Lady's large travelling-trunk. [prob. f. *Saratoga* Springs, New York watering-place]

sărc'asm, n. Bitter or wounding remark, taunt, esp. one ironically worded; language consisting of, faculty of uttering, use of, such remarks; so **sărcă'stio** a., **sărcă'stically** adv. [f. LL f. late Gk *sarkasmos* (*sarkazō* gnash the teeth, tear flesh, see SARCO-, -asm corresp. to -ISM)]

sărc'ast, n. (rare). Sarcastic person. [as prec., -ast cf. -IST]

sărc'ell'e, n. Kinds of small duck or teal. [f. OF *cercelle* f. L *querquedula*]

sarcenet. See SARSENET.

sărc'o-, comb. form of Gk *sarx* *sarkos* flesh; ~ol'ogy, anatomy of fleshy parts of body; ~oplasm, interfibrillar substance of muscle.

sărc'ode, n. Animal protoplasm. [prec., -ODE]

sărcōm'a, n. (pl. ~ta). Tumour of embryonic connective tissue. [f. Gk *sarkōma* (*sarkōō* see SARCO- become fleshy, -M)]

sărcōph'agus, n. (pl. -gi, pr. -gi, -ji). Stone coffin usu. adorned with sculpture or inscription. [L, f. Gk *sarkophagos* orig. = flesh-consuming (stone) as SARCO- + -phagos -eating]

sarc'ous, a. Consisting of flesh or muscle. [SARCO-, -OUS]

sard, n. Yellow or orange cornelian. [F (-e), f. L *sarda*, L f. Gk *sardios* (*Sardis* in Lydia)]

Sardanapāl'ian, a. As of, like, Sardanapalus king of Nineveh notorious for effeminate luxury. [-IAN]

sardelle, n. Fish like & treated like sardine. [f. It. *sardella* dim. of L *sarda* SARDINE²]

sard'ine¹, n. Precious stone in *Rev.* iv. 3. [prob. error.; R.V. gives *sardius* (SARD)]

sardine² (-èn), n. Small fish of herring kind found off Sardinia & Brittany, or young pilchard of Cornish coast, cured & tinned in oil (*packed like ~s*, of crowded company). [F, f. It. f. L *sardina* (*sarda* f. Gk *sardé* cf. *Sardō* Sardinia)]

Sardin'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of the island or of the kingdom (1720-1859, including also Piedmont etc.) of Sardinia. [-AN]

sardōn'ic, a. Bitter, scornful, mocking, sneering, cynical, (of laugh, laughter, affected merriment, etc.). Hence **~ICALLY** adv. [f. F *sardonique* f. L f. Gk *sardonios* assim. of Homeric *sardonios* etym. dub. to *Sardonios* Sardinian, owing to belief that convulsive laughter ending in death resulted from eating a Sardinian plant, + -IC]

sard'on'yx, n. Onyx with white layers alternating with sard. [L, f. Gk *sardonux* (SARDIOS, ONYX)]

sargass'o, n. (pl. ~s, ~es). (Also *gulf-weed*) kinds of seaweed with berry-like air-vessels found floating in island-like masses in the Gulf-stream & esp. in N.-Atlantic region called *S~ Sea*. [f. Port. *sargazo*]

sa'ri (sah-), n. Length of cotton or silk wrapped round body, worn as main garment by Hindu women. [Hind. *sārī*]

sariss'a, n. (Gk Ant.; pl. -ae). Long lance of ancient Macedonians. [Gk]

|| **sark**, n. (Sc.). Shirt or chemise. Hence **~ING**¹ n., boarding between rafters & roof. [OE *serc*, cf. ON *serkr*]

Sarmā'tian (-shn), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of ancient Sarmatia (Russia & Poland); (poet.) Pole, Polish. [-AN]

sarm'entōse, -ēn'tous, aa. (bot.). With long thin trailing shoots. [f. L *sarmentosus* (*sarmenta* pl. twigs, brushwood, f. *sarpere* prune, -MENT, -OSE¹, -OUS)]

sarōng', n. Malay national garment, a long strip of (often striped) cotton or silk worn by both sexes tucked round waist. [Malay *sarung*]

sarsaparill'a, n. Kinds of tropical-American smilax esp. the Jamaica ~ (so called as chief source of the medicinal ~ for which Jamaica was emporium); dried roots, or extract of these used as tonic etc., of (esp. Jamaica) ~. [f. Sp. *zarza-*

parilla (*zarza* bramble, perh. + dim. of *parra* vine)]

sars'en, n. Sandstone boulder on chalk downs esp. in Wilts. [prob. f. SARACEN]

sars'enét, **sār'c-**, (-sn-), n. Fine soft silk material now used chiefly for linings. [AF *sarsinett* (prob. f. *sarzin* SARACEN + -ET¹ after OF *drap sarrasinois* Saracen cloth)]

sartōr'ial, a. Of tailor, tailoring, or men's clothes. [f. L *sartorius* (*sartor* tailor f. *sarcire* patch), -AL]

Sār'um, eccl. name of Salisbury (~ *use*, order of divine service used in diocese of Salisbury from 11th c. to Reformation). [mod. L, prob. f. misread abbr. of L *Sarisbury* Salisbury, cf. *via* for *videlicet*]

sash¹, n. Ornamental scarf worn by man usu. as part of uniform or insignia over one shoulder or round waist or by woman or child round waist. Hence **~ed**¹ [-ED²] (-sht) a. [earlier sense *turban-band*, f. Arab. *shash* muslin]

sash², n. Frame usu. of wood holding pane(s) of glass & usu. made to slide up & down in grooves of window aperture, glazed sliding light of glass-house or garden-frame, (opp. CASEMENT); (rare)= casement; ~-cord, -line, strong cord attaching ~-weights to ~; ~-pocket, space on each side of window-frame in which ~-weights run; ~-pulley, for ~-cord to work over; ~-tool, kinds of glazier's & painter's brush; ~-weight, attached to each end of ~ to balance it at any height; ~-window, with ~ or usu. two ~es, of which one or each can be slid over the other to make opening. Hence **~ed**² [-ED²] (-sht), ~LESS, aa. [corrupt. of CHASSIS prob. taken for pl.]

sās'in, n. Indian antelope. [Nepalese]

sassāb'y, n. Large S.-Afr. antelope. [native]

sāss'afraś, n. (Small N.-Amer. tree yielding) a bark used medicinally; infusion of this. [Sp. (*sasa-*), etym. dub.]

Sāssān'ian, **Sāss'an'id**, nn. & aa. (Member, esp. a king) of family of Sās(s)an, rulers of Persian empire A.D. 211-651. [-IAN, -ID²]

Sāss'enach (see Ap.), n. & a. (Sc. & Ir. for) English(man). [Ithr. Gael. & Ir. f. *Saxon*]

sāt. See SAT.

Sāt'an, (arch.) **Sāt'anās**, n. The Devil, Lucifer. [L f. Gk, f. Heb. *śātan* enemy] **Sātān'ic**, a. Of, like, or befitting Satan, diabolical, hellish, (*his ~ majesty*, Satan; ~ school, orig. Byron, Shelley, etc., also any set of writers accused of defiant impiety etc.). Hence **~ally**² adv. [-IC, -ICAL]

Sāt'an'ism, n. Deliberate wickedness, pursuit of evil for its own sake, diabolical disposition, so ~ISM(3) v.t.; characteristics of SATANIC school; (esp. French 19th-c.) professed worship of Satan. So ~ISM(2) n. [-ISM]

Sātanō'ogŷ, n. (History or collection of) beliefs concerning the Devil. [-o-, -logy]

sataf'a, n. Heavy broadcloth with horizontal rib. [S~ in India]

satch'el, n. Small bag usu. of leather & hang from shoulder with strap for carrying books etc. esp. to & from school. Hence ~led² (-ld) a. [f. OF *sachel* f. L *sacculus* (SACK¹, -EL)]

sāte, v.t. Gratify (desire, person feeling it) to the full; cloy, surfeit, weary with overabundance (~d with). Hence ~LESS (-tl-) a. (poet.). [earlier *sade*, OE *sadian* (SAD), assim. to L *satis* (enough)]

sateen', n. Cotton or woollen fabric with glossy surface. [f. SATIN after VELVETERN]

sāt'ellite, n. Person's follower or henchman or hanger-on, member of great man's retinue, underling; heavenly body revolving round another (often fig.), whence ~it'io a.; (attrib.) secondary, minor. [F, f. L *satellitem* nom. -les guard]

sati. See SUTTEE.

sā'tiate¹ (-shyat), a. Satiated. [L *satiare* (SATIS), -ATE²]

sā'tiate² (-shl-), v.t. = SATIATE. So sā'tiable (-sha-) a. (rare), sā'tia'tion (sāst-, sāshl-) n. [as prec., -ATE²]

sati'ety, n. Glutted or satiated state, feeling of having had too much of something, cloyed dislike of, (to ~, to extent beyond what is desired); (rare) overabundance. [f. F *satiété* f. L *satietalem* (satis enough, -TY)]

sāt'in, n. & a., & v.t. 1. Silk fabric with glossy surface on one side got by catching warp-threads only at intervals (Denmark ~, smooth worsted material used for ladies' slippers); white~, the plant Honesty, also kind of moth; ~ or white~, sl., gin. 2. adj. Smooth as ~. 3. ~ beauty, carpet, kinds of moth; ~ cloth, a woollen cloth woven like ~; ~ finish, polish given to silver with metallic brush; ~ flower, Honesty, also Greater Stitchwort; ~ gypsum, fibrous kind with pearly lustre; ~ paper, fine glossy writing-paper; ~ pug, pygmy, kinds of moth; ~ sheeting, fabric of waste silk & cotton; ~ spar, fibrous carbonate of lime; ~ stitch, giving appearance of ~ in embroidery & wool-work; ~ stone, ~ gypsum; ~ straw, soft & flexible for hats; ~ white, artificial sulphate of lime; ~ wood, choice timber of a tropical tree; hence ~y² a., ~ETTE² (2) & in same sense ~ET¹ nn. 4. v.t. Give glossy surface to (paper). [F, prob. ult. f. L *seta* silk, -INE¹]

sāt'ire, n. (Rom. Ant.) poetic medley, esp. poem aimed at prevalent vices or follies; a composition in verse or prose holding up vice or folly to ridicule or lampooning individual(s), this branch of literature, (often upon); thing that brings ridicule upon something (*our lives are a ~ upon our religion*); use of ridicule, irony, sarcasm, etc., in speech or writing

for the ostensible purpose of exposing & discouraging vice or folly. [f. L *satira* in 1st sense above, var. of *satura* (lanx *satura* full dish)]

sati'ric, a. Of satires or satire, containing satire, writing satires, (~ verse, poem, poet, writer, intent, stroke). [F (-ique), f. LL *satiricus* (prec., -ic)]

sati'rical, a. = prec.; given to the use of satire in speech or writing or to cynical observation of others, sarcastic, humorously critical. Hence ~ly² adv. [prec., -AL]

sāt'irist, n. Writer of satires; satirical person. [-IST]

sāt'irize, v.t. Assail with satire, write satire(s) upon, describe satirically. [f. F *satiriser* (SATIRE, -IZE)]

sāt'is, Latin adv. & n. = enough, used in phrr. *jām ~*, already enough, ~ *superque* (pr. *sūp'ēk'wī*), enough & too much.

sātisfāc'tion, n. 1. Payment of debt, fulfilment of obligation, atonement (*for*), thing accepted by way of ~, (Eccel.) performance of penance, (Theol.) atonement made by Christ for sins of men, (*make ~*; *in ~ of*; *enter ~*, legal, place on record of court that payment ordered has been made; *Christ is the ~ for our sins*). 2. Opportunity of fighting duel with person one complains of (*give, demand, ~*). 3. Satisfying or being satisfied in regard to desire or want or doubt, thing that satisfies desire or gratifies feeling, (*find ~ in*; *give ~*; *to the ~ of*; *heard it with great ~*; *their ~ at or with the results*; *if you can prove it to my ~*; *the ~ of not having to do it*; *it is a great ~ that it need not be done*; *would be a ~ to me*; *thinks only of present ~*). [F, f. L *satisfactionem* (SATISFY)]

sātisfāc'toriŷ, a. 1. (Theol.) serving as atonement for sin. 2. Satisfying expectations or needs, leaving no room for complaint, causing satisfaction, adequate, (~y proof, method, result, pupil, pair of boots, expedition, marriage, compromise). Hence ~ily² adv., ~INESS n. [f. F *satisfactoire* f. med. L *satisfactorius* (SATISFY, -ORY)]

sāt'isf[ī]ŷ, v.t. & i. 1. Pay (debt, rarely creditor), fulfil (obligation), comply with (demand); (of Christ) make atonement for sins of men. 2. Meet the expectations or desires of, come up to (notion, preconception, etc.), be accepted by (person, his taste, etc.) as adequate, content, (~y the examiners at univv., receive pass without honours). 3. pass. Be content or pleased (*with*), demand no more than or consider it enough to do, (*rest ~ed*, make or take no further demands or steps). 4. intr. Give satisfaction, leave nothing to be desired. 5. Dispose of (an appetite or want), rid (person) of an appetite or want, by sufficient supply. 6. Furnish with adequate proof, convince, (*of fact, that it is*

so; ~y oneself, attain to practical certainty). 7. Adequately meet (objection, doubt, request, conditions). Hence ~i-ABLE, ~YING, ~sa., ~yingly² adv. [f. OF *salatier* f. L *SATIS*/facere fact- (-FY)]

satrangi (sāt'ranji, satrūn'ji), n. Cheap Indian cotton carpet. [Bengali]

sāt'rap, n. Holder of provincial governorship or ~Y¹ n. in ancient-Persian empire, viceroy; modern subordinate ruler, colonial governor, etc. (esp. rhet. with implication of luxury or tyranny). [f. L f. Gk *satrapēs* f. OPers. *khsatra-pava* province-guardian]

Sāt'sūma, n. (Also ~ware) cream-coloured Japanese pottery. [name of province]

sāt'ūrjāte (or -cher-), v.t. Impregnate, soak thoroughly, imbue with; overwhelm (defences, target area) by concentrated bombing; (Chem. etc.) charge (substance, air, vapour, metal) with or cause to combine with or absorb or hold the greatest amount possible of another substance, moisture, magnetism, electricity, etc.; (p.p., of colour) free from admixture of white, full, rich. Hence or cogn. ~ATE² (-at) a. (poet. exc. of colour), ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [f. L *saturare* (satur full cogn. w. SATIS), -ATE²]

Sāt'urday (-erdi), n. Seventh day of week (HOLY, HOSPITAL, ~; ~to-Monday, = the now usu. WEEK-END). [OE *Sætern(es)dag* transl. of L *Saturni dies* day of SATURN]

Sāt'ūrūn, n. 1. (Rom. Ant.) Italic god of agriculture later identified with Greek Cronos father of Zeus, ruler of the world in a golden age of innocence and plenty. 2. A planet, the furthest off of the 7 anciently known, with 10 moons & broad flat ring, credited in astrology with producing cold sluggish gloomy temperament in those born under its influence. [f. L *Saturnus* (serere sat- sow)]

sātūrnāl'ia (-ter-), n. pl. & (see below) sing. Ancient-Roman festival of Saturn in December observed as time of unrestrained merrymaking with temporary release of slaves, predecessor of modern Christmas-tide (S~); scene or time of wild revelry or tumult (also S~; often as sing. as a ~ of crime). Hence **sātūrnāl'ian** (-ter-) a. [L, neut. pl. of *Saturnalis* (prec., -AL)]

Sātūrn'ian, a. & n. 1. Of the god or the planet Saturn; ~age, GOLDEN age; ~metre, verse, metre used in early Latin poetry before introduction of Greek metres & generally taken to have been an iambic dimeter catalectic followed by three trochees (e.g. *dabunt malum Meli Naevio poetae*). 2. n. Inhabitant of Saturn; (pl.) ~ verse. [f. L *SATURNIUS*, -AN]

sātūrn'ic, a. (path.). Affected with lead-poisoning. So **Sāt'urnism**(5) (-ter-) n. [SATURN in alch. sense lead, -ic]

sāt'urnine (-ter-), a. Of sluggish gloomy temperament, (of looks etc.) suggestive

of or produced by such temperament, whence ~LY² adv.; of lead (a ~ poultice, red, etc.); of, affected by, lead-poisoning (~patients, symptoms). [SATURN (cf. prec.), -INE¹]

satyagraha (sahtyah'grahah), n. (Indian pol.). Passive resistance. [Skr., f. *satya* faithful + *graha* obstinacy]

sāt'yr (-er), n. One of a class of Greek woodland deities in human form with horse's ears & tail (or, as represented by Romans, with goat's ears, tail, legs, & budding horns); lustful or beastly-minded man; (rare) orang-utan. [f. L f. Gk *satyros*]

sāt'yr'iasis (-ter-), n. Excessive sexual desire in males. [f. Gk *satyriasis* (prec., -ASIS)]

sāt'yr'ic, a. Of satyrs (esp. ~ drama, kind of Greek play with chorus of satyrs). [f. L f. Gk *satyrikos* (SATYR, -ic)]

sauce, n., & v.t. 1. Liquid preparation taken as relish with some article of food (bread, egg, mint, parsley, tomato, etc.), with these as prominent ingredient; white ~, of melted butter, flour, etc.; *hunger is the best ~*; ~ for the GANDER; *serve with the same ~*, subject to same usage; (fig.) something that adds piquancy (*is tame without the ~ of danger*). 2. Solution of salt & other ingredients used in some manufacturing processes. 3. Sauciness, impudent speech, cheek, (*none of your ~*). 4. ~alone, hedge-weed formerly used to flavour salads & ~s; ~boat, vessel in which ~ is served; ~box, impudent person; ~pan (-an), metal vessel usu. cylindrical with long handle projecting from side for boiling things in cookery; hence ~LESS a. 5. v.t. Season with ~s or condiments (rare); (fig.) make piquant, add relish to; (vulg.) be impudent to, cheek, (person). [vb f. n., F. f. pop. L *salsa* fem. of *salsus* (salere sals- to salt f. sal salt)]

sau'cer, n. Shallow vessel for standing cup on to intercept spillings of tea etc. (~ eye, large & round as a ~, whence ~eyed² a.); vessel placed under flowerpot to prevent water from running away at once; any small shallow round vessel resembling tea-~. Hence ~FUL(2) n., ~LESS a. [earlier sense *condiment-dish*, f. OF *saussier* (SAUCE, -ARY¹)]

sau'cily, a. Impudent to superiors, cheeky; (sl.) sprightly, smart, stylish. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [earlier sense *savoury*; SAUCE, -Y¹]

sauerkraut (sowr'krowt), n. German dish of pickled cabbage. [G]

saul. See SAL.

Saumur (sōm'ūr), n. White wine produced near ~ in France.

saunders. See SANDERS.

saun'ter, v.i., & n. 1. Walk in leisurely way or without destination, stroll, (also fig., as ~ through life); hence ~ER¹ n.,

~ingly² adv. 2. n. Laisurely ramble or gait. [?]

saur'ian, a. & n. (One) of the *Sauria* or order of lizards including crocodiles, alligators, & extinct kinds such as ichthyosaurus & plesiosaurus. So ~o. comb. form, ~oid a. & n. [Gk *sauros* lizard, -IAN]

saur'y, n. A long-billed sea-fish. [prob. f. mod. L f. Gk *sauros* lizard]

sau'sage (sôz-), n. Pork or other meat minced, seasoned, & stuffed into long cylindrical cases prepared from entrails & divided when full into lengths of a few inches by twisting or tying, a length of this, (*Bologna* ~, large kind made of bacon, veal, pork-suet, etc., & sold ready for eating cold); (army sl.) KITE balloon; ~filler, ~grinder, ~machine, ~making appliances; ~meat, meat & bread etc. minced & seasoned for use in ~s or as a stuffing etc.; ~roll, ~meat enclosed in pastry & cooked. [f. ONF' *saussiche* f. LL *salsicia* (L *salsus* see SAUCE)]

sauté (sôt'â), a. (in fem. -ée; pl. -és, fem. -ées; pronunc. the same in all forms). Quickly fried in hot pan with little grease. [F]

Sauterne (sôt'ân'), n. Kinds of sweet white French wine. [place-name]

sauve-qui-peut (sôvk'pêr'), n. Precipitate flight in various directions. [F, f. phr. *sauve qui peut* let him find safety who can]

sav'age, n., n., & v.t. 1. Uncultivated, wild, (arch.; a ~ scene); uncivilized, in primitive state, (~ tribes, life); fierce, cruel, furious, (~ persecution, persecutor, revenge, criticism, blow); (colloq.) angry, out of temper; (Hcr.; of human figure) naked; hence or cogn. ~LY² (-lji) adv., ~NESS (-ljn-), **sav**'agERY (2, 4) (-lji), nn. 2. n. Member of ~ tribe esp. of one living by hunting & fishing, whence ~DOM (-ljd-) n.; brutally cruel or barbarous person. 3. v.t. (Of horse) attack & bite or trample (person); was ~d by his horse, [earlier & OF *salvage* f. L *salvaticus* (silva a wood, -ATIC, cf. -AGE)]

savann'a(h) (-na), n. Grassy plain with scattered trees in tropical & subtropical regions. [f. Sp. *savana* perh. of Carib orig.]

savant (see Ap.), n. Man of learning, esp. distinguished scientist. [part. of F *savoir* know, as SAPIENT]

savate' (-ah), n. French boxing, in which feet & head are used as well as fists. [F]

save¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Rescue, preserve, deliver, from or from danger or misfortune or harm or discredit (~d my life, me from drowning, the State; ~ me or God ~ me from my friends etc., comment upon well-meant inopportune officiousness; ~ us!, excl. of surprise; ~ one's BACON, FACE¹; ~ the situation, find or provide way out of difficulty, avert disaster; ~

appearances, put a good face on something); (Footb. etc.) prevent opponents from scoring. 2. Bring about spiritual salvation of, preserve from damnation, (who then can be ~d?; the saving of souls); (part.) redeeming (by the saving grace of God; has the saving grace of humour). 3. Keep for future use, husband, reserve, abstain from expending, lay by money, live economically, (~ one's breath, be silent; a saving housekeeper; is saving his strength; has never ~d, put by money; ~ up, try to accumulate money by economy; you may ~ your pains or trouble, need not take, will take in vain), whence **sav**'ER¹(1) n., **sav**'ING¹(2) n. (usu. in pl.), **sav**'ingly² adv. 4. Relievo (person) from need of expending (money, trouble, etc.) or from exposure to (annoyance etc.), obviate need of, reduce requisite amount of, (that will ~ me £50; his secretary ~d him much time or labour, many interviews; ~ the follow-on in cricket, get enough runs to prevent it; stitch in time ~s nine; soap ~s rubbing), whence (-)SAVER¹(2) n., (-)SAVING² a. 5. Avoid losing, be in time for, succeed in catching, (write hurriedly to ~ the post; shall we ~ the tide?, get in or out while it serves). 6. Make reservation concerning, make reservation, (esp. saving clause, containing stipulation of exemption etc.; saving your reverence, apology for unseemly expression etc., cf. ~ the MARK¹); (part. as prep.) except, with the exception of, SAVE². 7. n. (Footb. etc.) act of preventing opponents from scoring; (Bridge) action taken to prevent heavy losses. 8. ~all, pan with spike for burning up candle-ends; savings-bank, receiving small deposits & conducted solely in depositors' interests (Post-office savings-bank, with branches at local post offices). Hence **sav**'ABLE a. [f. OF *salver* f. L *salvare* (salvus safe)]

save¹, prep. & conj. 1. Except, but, (with n. in obj. case, or with that clause; arch., poet., or with formal or pretentious effect in ordinary writing, also pleonast. in ~ & except; forty stripes ~ one; all ~ him, & see conj.; I am well ~ that I have a cold). 2. conj. (arch.). Unless, but, (thou seest no beauty ~ thou make it; all the conspirators ~ only he; happy ~ for one want). [f. SAFE² after F *sauf* & SALVO¹]

sav'eloy, n. Highly seasoned dried sausage. [earlier & OF *cervelat* f. It. *cervellata* (cervello brain f. L *CEREBELLUM*), named as orig. made of pig's brain]

sav'in, n. (Tree or shrub with) tops yielding a volatile oil used medicinally. [f. OF *savine* f. L *sabina* (herba) SAEINE (herb)]

sav'iour (-vyer), n. Deliverer, redeemer (the, our, S~, Christ), person who saves a State etc. from destruction etc. [f. OF *sauveur* (SAVE¹, -JOUR)]

savoir faire (sâv'wâ' fêr'), n. Quickness

to see & do the right thing, address, tact. [F]

savoir vivre (sāv'vâr vër), n. Good breeding, being at home in society. [F]

sāv'orŷ, n. Herb of mint family used in cookery. [ult. f. L *satureia* prob. w. assim. in F to foll.]

sāv'our (-ver), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Characteristic taste, flavour, relish, or (now rare) smell, power to affect the taste (lit. or fig.); quality suggestive, perceptible admixture, suspicion, smack, of (a not unpleasant ~ of preciousness); hence ~LESS (-ver)-a. 2. vb. Appreciate or perceive the lit. or fig. taste of (arch.); give flavour to (rare); snack, offer suggestion, suggest presence, of (the offer ~s of impertinence). [f. OF *savourer* f. L *saporem* (*sapere* taste, -OR-)]

sāv'ourŷ (-verŷ). a. & n. 1. With appetizing taste or smell; (of places etc.; only w. neg.) free from bad smells; (of dishes etc.) of salt or piquant & not sweet flavour (sweet or ~y omelette); hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. 2. n. || ~y dish, esp. one served at beginning or end of dinner as stimulant or digestive. [f. OF *savouré* p.p. (SAVOUR)]

savoy', n. Kind of cabbage with wrinkled leaves. [S~ in France]

Savoy'ard (-of-), n. & a. 1. (Native) of Savoy. 2. Member of the Savoy Theatre company who acted in the original productions of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. [F (*Savoie* Savoy, -ARD)]

sāv'y, corrupt. of Sp. *sabe* knows, in sl. use = do you understand? (no~, I do, he etc. does, not know or understand), also as n. = understanding, wits, savoir faire.

saw¹, n., & v.t. & i. (p.p. ~n, rarely ~ed). 1. Implement usu. of steel worked by hand or mechanically & with variously shaped blade or edge having teeth of various forms cut in or attached to it for dividing wood, metal, stone, etc., by reciprocating or rotatory motion (*annular*, *crown*, *cylinder*, ~, cylinder with toothed edge for making circular hole; *BAND¹*, *BOW¹*, *FRAME²*, *FRET¹*, ~, ~; *CIRCULAR* ~; *cross-cut*, *rip*-, ~, for cutting wood across, along, the grain; *haul*-, held with one hand; *HACK*~; *jig*~, frame~ worked mechanically in connexion with table holding the wood etc. (*jig*~ puzzle, of pieces sawn with *jig*~ to be put together); *musical* or *singing* ~, ordinary ~ played on by performer by means of violin bow; *pit*~, worked by two men one above & one in pit; *reciprocating* ~, worked mechanically with backward & forward strokes; *stone*~, toothless frame~ cutting stone by friction with sand & water). 2. (Zool. etc.) serrated organ or part. 3. ~doctor, machine for making teeth of ~; ~dust, wood fragments produced in ~ing used in packing, pugging, stuffing, drying moisture, etc. (let the

~dust out of, fig., expose pretentiousness or unsubstantial character of, w. ref. to doll's stuffing); ~fish, large kind with toothed snout used as weapon; ~fly, kinds injurious to plants with serrated ovipositor; ~frame, in which ~blade is held taut; ~gate, ~frame; ~gin, cotton-gin¹ with ~teeth; ~horse, rack supporting wood for ~ing; ~mill, driven by water or steam for mechanical ~ing; ~pit, in which lower of two men working pit~ stands; ~set, tool for wrenching ~teeth in alternate directions to give kerf wider than blade & lot ~ work freely; ~wort, plant yielding yellow dye named from serrated leaves; ~wreck, a serrated seaweed; ~wrest, ~set. 4. vb. Cut (wood etc.) with, make (boards etc.) with, use, ~; move (t. & i.) backward & forward, divide (the air etc.), with motion as of ~ or person ~ing; (quasi-pass.) admit of being ~n easily, badly, etc.; (Bookbind.) make incisions to receive binding-bands in (gathered sheets); ~bones (sl.), surgeon. [vb f. n., OE *saga*, cf. Du. *zaag*, G *säge*, cogn. w. L *secare* cut]

saw², n. Proverbial saying, old maxim, (usu. old or wise ~). [OE *sagu*, cogn. w. *SAY²*]

saw³. See SEE¹.

sawd'er, n. Soft ~, compliments, flattering speeches, blarney. [=SOLDER]

Sawn'ey, n. (Nickname for) Scotsman; simpleton. [prob. as SANDY²]

saw'yer, n. Man employed in sawing timber (TOP~); * uprooted tree floating or stranded in river (named as sawing up & down); kinds of wood-boring larva. [-YER]

sāx, zāx, n. Slater's chopper, with point for making nail-holes. [OE *seax* knife (see SAXON), cf. Icel. *sax*]

sāx'atle, n. (nat. hist.). Living, growing, on or among rocks. [f. L *saxatilis* (*saxum* rock, -ATILE)]

sāxe, n. || Kind of photographic paper; a colour, = SAXON blue. [F, = Saxony (place of origin)]

sāx'hörn, n. Brass instrument made in seven sizes, the lowest three being considered tubas. [A. Sax, inventor]

sāxic'oline, -lous, aa. (nat. hist.). = SAXATILE. [L -cola inhabitant of (*colere* inhabit)]

sāx'ifrage (or -āj), n. Kinds of Alpine or rock plant with tufted foliage & panicles of white or yellow or red flowers. [OF, f. L *saxifraga* spleenwort (*saxum* stone, *frangere* break) prob. named as growing in rock-clefts]

Sāx'on, n. & a. 1. Member, language (often Old ~), of the Teutonic N.-German people by which Britain was conquered in 5th & 6th cc.; = ANGLO-SAXON, whence ~DOM n.; native of modern Saxony; Teutonic (opp. Latin or Romance) elements of English. 2. adj. Of the ~s (~

architecture, rude Romanesque preceding Norman in England; in ~ (~ words in English, of Teutonic origin), whence ~ISM(2, 4), ~IST(2), nn.; ~ *blue*, solution of indigo in sulphuric acid as dye; hence ~IZE(2, 3) v.i. & t. [F. f. L. *Saxonem* f. WG (OE *Seazan* pl., perh. f. *seaz* knife)]

sāx'ony, n. Fine kind of wool, cloth made from it. [f. *S* ~ in Germany]

sāx'ophōne, n. Keyed brass instrument in several sizes, having a reed like that of a clarinet. [as SAXHORN, Gk *phōnē* sound]

sāx'tūba, n. Large SAXHORN. [TUBA]

say¹, n. (now rare). Fine serge-like cloth. [f. F. *saie* f. L. *saga* pl. of *sagum* military cloak]

say², v.t. & i. (*said* pr. sēd; 3rd sing. pres. *says* pr. sēz, arch. *saith* pr. sēth; arch. 2nd sing. pres. ~st or ~est, past *saidst* rarely *saidest*), & n. 1. Utter, make (specified remark), recite, rehearse, in ordinary speaking voice (~ *the word*, give the order etc.; ~ *WHEN*; ~ *no more*, cease speaking; ~ *a good word* for, commend or excuse; *to be said or sung*; ~ *no, yes*, refuse, grant, request, also deny, confirm or accept, statement; ~ *out*, express fully or candidly; ~ *one nay*, refuse him something; *has said his* ~, finished what he had to ~; ~ *lesson*, repeat it to teacher; ~ *grace*, *prayer*; ~ *something*, ~ *grace*, also make a speech; *that is to* ~, in other words, as *the whole family*, *that is to* ~ *four persons*, also = or at least, as *he never went*, *that is to* ~ *it is not recorded that he did*, also ellipt. ~ in giving sum in words after figures, as £500, ~ *five hundred pounds*; *he said 'You lie'*; ~s or *said he* etc., *said I*, ~s I colloq., forms inserted in repeating conversation; ~ing & doing, speech & action; || I ~, excl. used to draw attention, open a conversation, or express surprise, as I ~, *who was that?*, I ~, *what a beauty!*, or in same sense I ~ I alone). 2. State, promise, prophesy, (*he* ~s *all men* or *that all men are liars*; *you said you would*; DARE ~; *they* ~, *it is said*, forms introducing rumour; *it* ~s *in the Bible*, *the Bible* ~; *goes without* ~ing, is too obvious to need mention; *hear* ~, *hear it reported*; *so he* ~s, *he* ~s *so*; *you may well* ~ *so*, your statement is fully justified). 3. Speak, talk, (rare; ~ *away*, ~ *what you have to* ~; *he said*, & *turned his back*, in narrative poetry etc.). 4. Put into words, express (*that was well said*). 5. Adduce or allege in argument or excuse (*there is much to be said on both sides*; *have you nothing to* ~ *for yourself?*). 6. Form & give opinion or decision as to or abs. (*there is no* ~ing, *it is hard to* ~, *who it was*; *I cannot* ~, *do not know whether* etc. or abs.; *do* ~ *which you will have*; *what* ~ *you to a theatre?*, are you inclined for it!; & *so* ~ *all of us*, & that is our opinion too). 7. Select as example, assume, take (specified number etc.) as near enough,

(*let us* ~, or usu. ellipt. ~; *any country*, *let us* ~ *Sweden*, *might do the same*; *well*, ~ *it were true*, *what then?*; *a few of them*, ~ *a dozen* or so). 8. n. (Opportunity of ~ing) what one has to ~, share in decision, (~ *your* ~; *let him have his* ~; *had no* ~ *in the matter*). (OE *secgan*, cf. ON *segja*, G *sagen*)]

saying, n. In vbl senses; esp., sententious remark, maxim, adage, (*as the* ~ *is*, form used in quoting proverb or phrase). [-ING¹]

Say(y)id (sā'y'id), **Said** (sād), nn. Varr. of SEID.

sbi'rrō (zb-), n. (pl. -rī pr. -ō). Italian policeman. [It.]

scāb, n., & v.i. (-bb-). 1. Dry rough incrustation formed over sore in healing, cicatrice; mange, itch, or similar skin-disease; kinds of fungous plant-disease; mean dirty fellow (arch.); (Trade unionism) workman who refuses to join strike or union or takes striker's place, black-leg; ~ *wort*, elecampane; hence ~BED¹ (-bd), ~B'Y², aa., ~B'ILY² adv., ~B'INESS n. 2. v.i. (Of sore) form ~, heal over. [f. ON (Da. *skab*, Sw. *skabb*, cf. OE *scæb*, *scæbb*), (SHABBY)]

scābb'ard, n. Sheath of sword, bayonet, etc. (*fling, throw, away the* ~, commit oneself to fighting a matter out to the end); ~fish, silvery-white sea-fish shaped like sword ~. [earlier *scarberk* cf. AF *escabers* pl.; prob. ult. f. Teut. (SMELL, HAUBERK)]

scāb'icēs (-z), n. The itch. [L (*scabere* scratch)]

scāb'ious, a. & n. 1. Scabby, affected with mange, itch, etc. 2. n. Kinds of wild & cultivated annual or perennial herb with blue, pink, or white, pincushion-shaped flowers. [(n. f. *scabiosa herba* named as specific against itch) f. L. *scabiosus* (proc., -OSE¹)]

scāb'rous, a. (Zool., Bot., etc.) with rough surface, scurfy; (Literature; of subject, situation, etc.) requiring tactful treatment, hard to handle with decency. Hence ~NESS n. [f. L. *scaber* rough, cf. proc., +OUS]

scād, n. Kind of fish called also horse-mackerel. [f.]

scāff'old n., & v.t., scāff'old'ing n. 1. Elevated platform of timber usu. for execution of criminals (~; *the* ~, death by executioner's hands) or rarely (~, ~ing) for display of something or accommodation of spectators; (usu. ~ing) temporary structure of poles & planks providing workmen with platform(s) to stand on while building or repairing house etc., (~ing) materials for this; (Anat., Embryol.; ~, ~ing) framework outlining parts to be formed on it later (*the* ~ *of the skull*); ~ing-pole, mastlike pole helping to support building-platform. 2. v.t. Attach ~ing to (house). [f. OF *escadafort*

(now *échafaud*) perh. f. **EX** + It. *catafalco* CATAFALQUE]

scālg'ltā (or skāl'ya), n. Reddish Italian limestone. [It.]

scagliola (skālyōl'a), n. Imitation stone of plaster mixed with glue & variously coloured or diversified. [It. (-tuola)]

scāl'able, a. In vbl senses of SCALE^{1, 2, 3}. [-ABLE]

scālā'riform, a. (bot., zool.). Ladder-shaped (of veins in insect's wings, or of alternating thick & thin strips in structure). [L. *scalaria* staircase (neut. pl. of *scalaris* f. *scala* SCALE², -AR¹), -FORM]

scāl'awāg, **scāl'l'a-**, **scāl'l'y-**, n. Under-sized or ill-fed animal; good-for-nothing person, scamp, scapegrace. [U.S., etym. dub.]

scald¹ (-aw-), v.t., & n. 1. Injure or pain (skin, or person or animal or part in regard to it) with hot liquid or vapour (*was scalded to death by the steam*; ~ing tears, of bitter grief); raise (milk) to near boiling-point (~ed cream, from milk ~ed & allowed to stand), whence ~ER¹(2) n.; cleanse (vessel; often out) by rinsing with boiling water. 2. n. Injury to skin by ~ing (for ~s & burns). [f. ONF *escalder* f. LL **EX**(*caldare* f. L *calidus* hot)]

scald² (-aw-), sk-, n. Ancient-Scandinavian composer & reciter of poems in honour of great men. Hence **scā'ldic** (-awl-) a. [ON *skald* etym. dub.]

scald-head (-awld-hēd), n. Scalp-disease of children. [SCALL, -ED³]

scald's nō (-ahldē-), n. (pl. -nī pr. -ē). Small earthenware brazier used in Italy for warming the hands etc. [It.]

scālē¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. One of the thin horny overlapping plates protecting the skin of many fishes & reptiles. 2. Plate or thin outer piece with some resemblance to fish~ in organic or other object, e.g. pod, husk, rudimentary leaf or feather, bract, metamorphosed hair of lepidoptera, bulb-layer, flake of skin, scab, lamina on surface of rusty iron. 3. (Without a) incrustation inside boiler etc., tartar on teeth. 4. ~armour, of metal ~s attached to leather etc.; ~board, very thin for back of mirror, picture, etc.; ~borer, machine for removing ~ from boiler-tubes; ~fern, ceterach; ~insect, kinds that cling fast to plants & secrete a shieldlike ~ as covering; ~moss, kinds of plant with ~like leaves resembling moss; ~winged, lepidopterous; ~work, overlapping arrangement, imbrication; hence (-scālēd (-ld), ~LESS (-l-l-), scāl'r², aa, scāl'iness n. 5. v.b. Take away ~s from (~ fish, almonds, peas, teeth, iron); (of skin, metal, etc.) form, come off in, drop, ~s; (of ~s) come off. [f. OF *escale* f. OTeut. *skald*; cogn. w. foll.]

scālē², n., & v.t. 1. Dish of simple balance (*throw sword into ~, back claim with arms*; *turn the ~, of motive or circum-*

stance, be decisive); (Astron.) the S~s, = LIBRA; (pl.) a simple balance (also *pair of ~s*) or weighing-instrument (*hold the ~s even, be impartial judge*). 2. v.t. Weigh in ~s (rare); (of thing weighed) show (specified weight) in the ~s (~s 10 st., 100 lb.). [f. ON *skdl* bowl f. OTeut. *skēla*; cogn. w. OE *scēalu* shell & w. prec.]

scālē³, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Series of degrees, ladderlike arrangement or classification, graded system, (*is high in the ~ of creation or social, intellectual, etc.*, ~; *sink in the ~, fall to lower rank or level*; *at the top, bottom, of the ~*; *sliding ~, see SLIDE¹*). 2. (Mus.) steplike ordered arrangement of all notes used in any system of music (DIATONIC, CHROMATIC, MAJOR², MINOR, ~; *play, sing, run over one's ~s, as exercise for fingers or voice*). 3. (Often ~ of notation) basis of numerical system as shown in ratio between units in different places of number (the ordinary or denary or decimal ~, with successive places denoting units, tens, hundreds, etc.; *binary ~, denoting units, twos, fours, etc.*; *ternary ~, denoting units, threes, nines, etc.*; thus fourteen is written in binary ~ 1110 i.e. nought+two+four+eight, in ternary ~ 112 i.e. two+three+nine, in septenary ~ 20 i.e. nought+two+sevens, & in denary ~ 14 i.e. four+ten). 4. Relative dimensions, ratio of reduction & enlargement in map etc., (*philanthropy, armies, on a vast ~*; *a building of small ~ but fine proportions*; *large, small, ~ map*; *to ~, with uniform reduction or enlargement*; *the ~ to be one to fifty thousand, an inch to the mile, 1/1000, etc.*). 5. Set of marks at measured distances on a line for use in measuring or making proportional reductions & enlargements, rule determining intervals between these, piece of metal etc. or apparatus on which they are marked (GUNTHER'S ~). 6. v.b. Climb (wall, steep place, or abs.) with ladder (*scaling-ladder*) or by clambering. 7. Represent in dimensions proportional to the actual ones, reduce to common ~, (~ up, down, make larger, smaller, in due proportion). 8. (Of quantities etc.) have common ~, be commensurable. [f. L *scala* ladder (*scandere* climb)]

scālēne¹, a. & n. 1. Unequal-sided (~ *triangle*, with no two sides equal; ~ *cone, cylinder*, with axis inclined to base; ~ *muscle*, any of several connecting spine & ribs). 2. n. ~ triangle or muscle. [f. LL f. Gk *skalēnos*]

scall (-awl), n. (arch.). Scaly eruption on skin (*dry ~, the itch*; *moist ~, eczema*). [f. ON *skalle* bare head]

scallawag. See SCALLAWAG.

scāl'ion (-yon), n. Kind of onion or shallot. [f. AF *scaloun* = OF *eschalogne* SHALLOT]

scāl'op, **scō-**, n., & v.t. 1. Bivalve mollusc with shell divided into grooves &

ridges radiating from middle of hinge & edged all round with small semicircular lobes; (also ~*shell*) one valve of this (hist.) as pilgrim's badge, (mod.) as utensil in which oysters, shredded fish, mince, etc., are cooked & served, small shallow pan similarly used; (pl.) ornamental edging cut in material in imitation of ~edge. 2. v.t. Cook in ~; ornament (edge, material) with ~s or ~ING¹(6) n. [f. OF *escalope* f. Teut. (Du. *schelp* cogn. w. SCALE¹, ², SHELL)]

scallywag. See SCALAWAG.

scālp, n., & v.t. 1. Top of head; skin with hair etc. of head excluding face, this or part of it cut as trophy from enemy's head by Red Indians (*take* ~; *out for* ~s, on the war-path, often fig. = in aggressive or pugnacious or savagely critical mood); bare rounded hill-top; whale's head without lower jaw; ~lock, single look on Red Indian's shaven head left as challenge to enemies; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Take ~ of; criticize savagely. [cf. MSw. *skalp*, ON *skálpr*, sheath, MDu. *schelpe* shell; cogn. w. SCALLOP, SCALE¹, SHELL]

scālpel, n. Surgeon's small light knife shaped for holding like pen. [f. L *scalpelum* (*scalprum* chisel, f. *scalpere* scrape, -EL)]

scālp'er, *scalp'er*, n. Gouge used by engravers. [f. L *scalprum* (prec.)]

scālp'rif'orm, a. Chisel-shaped (of incisor teeth). [L *scalprum* see SCALEP, -I-, -FORM]

scāmm'oný, n. (Kind of Asiatic convolvulus yielding) a gum resin used as drastic purgative. [f. L f. Gk *skammōnia*]

scāmp¹, n. Rascal, knave, (also in playful use as term of endearment). Hence ~ISH² a. [prob. of same orig. as SCAMPER]

scāmp², v.t. Do (work etc.) in perfunctory or inadequate way. [prob. var. of SCANT]

scāmp'er, v.i., & n. 1. Run impulsively like (or of) frightened animal or playing child; take ~ through. 2. n. Hasty run; gallop on horseback for pleasure; rapid tour or course of reading (*through Normandy, Dickens, etc.*). [earlier sense flee (of army etc.), f. ONF (*s'*)*escamper* (EX-, L *campus* field) + ER¹]

scān, v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. Test metre of (line etc.) by examining number & quantity of feet & syllables, read over with emphasis on rhythm; be metrically correct (*line does not* ~), admit of rhythmic reading (*line will not* ~, ~s smoothly, badly). 2. Look intently at all parts successively of (face, horizon, etc.). 3. (Television) resolve (a picture) into its elements of light and shade for purposes of transmission. [f. L *scandere* climb, perh. with loss of -d by confus. w. -ED¹]

scān'dal, n. (Thing that occasions) general feeling of outrage or indignation (sp. as expressed in common talk, opprobrium,

(it is a ~ that such things should be possible; a grave ~ occurred; gave rise to ~); malicious gossip, backbiting, whence ~MONGER n.; (Law) public affront, irrelevant abusive statement in court, (cf. LIBEL, SLANDER). So ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n. [ME -dle, f. ONF *escandle* f. eccl. L f. Gk *skandalon* snare, stumbling-block]

scān'dalize¹, v.t. Offend moral feelings, sense of propriety, or ideas of etiquette, of, shock. [f. F *scandaliser* f. eccl. L f. Gk (-izō) as prec., see -IZE]

scān'dalize², v.t. (naut.). Reduce area of (a sail). [corrupt. of obs. SCANTelize]

scān'dalum *māgnāt'um*, n. (hist.). Defamation of magnates. [med. L]

Scāndināv'ian, a. & n. (Native, family of languages) of Scandinavia (Denmark, Norway, Sweden, & Iceland). [-AN]

scān'sion (-shn), n. Metrical scanning, way versus scans. [f. L *scansionem* (*scandere* scans- climb, -ION)]

scānsōr'ial, a. Habitually climbing, adapted for climbing, (of birds, their feet, etc.). [L *scansorius* (prec., -ORY, -AL)]

scānt, a., & v.t. 1. Barely sufficient, deficient, with scanty supply of, (arch., poet., & in isolated phrr. as with ~ courtesy, ~ of breath); hence ~LY² adv. 2. v.t. (arch.). Skimp, stint, provide grudgingly, (supply, material, person).

[f. ON *skamt* short, whence also SCAMP²]

scānt'ling, n. Specimen, sample, (arch.); modicum, small amount, one's necessary supply of; small beam under 5 in. in breadth & depth; size to which stone or timber is to be cut; set of standard dimensions for parts of structure esp. in shipbuilding; trestle for cask. [f. OF *escantillon* etym. dub.]

scān'tij, a. Of small extent or amount, barely sufficient, (opp. ample). Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

scāpe¹, n., & v.t. (arch.). Escape (still in *hairbreadth* ~s). [for ESCAPE]

scāpe², n. (Bot.) radical stem bearing fructification & no leaves as in primrose; (Entom.) base of antenna; shaft of feather; spring, usu. with curve, of column from base. [f. L *scapus* of. SCYPTRE]

scāpe'goat (-pg-), n. (O.T.) goat allowed to escape when Jewish chief priest had laid sins of people upon it (*Lev. xvi*); person bearing blame due to others. [SCAPE¹]

scāpe'grāce (-pg-), n. Harebrained person, esp. child, who constantly gets into trouble. [=one who gets no grace (SCAPE¹)]

scapement. -ESCAPEMENT.

scāph'oid, a. & n. (anat.). 1. Boat-shaped (~ bone, one in tarsus & one in carpus). 2. n. ~ bone. [f. Gk *skapheoidēs* (*skaphe*, skaphos, bowl, boat, -OID)]

scāp'ula, n. (pl. -ulae). SHOULDER-blade. [LL, sing. of L *scapulae*]

scăp'ular, a. & n. 1. Of shoulder or shoulder-blade (~ *arch*, = *shoulder-girdle*¹; ~ *feathers*, growing near insertion of wing). 2. n. Monastic short cloak covering shoulders; badge of admission to an ecclesiastical order, consisting of two strips of cloth hanging down breast & back & joined across shoulders (also ~y); bandage for shoulder-blade; ~ feather. [(n. in first sense f. F *scapulaire*) f. LL *scapularis* (prec., -AR¹)]

scăp'ulo-, comb. form of SCAPULA, as ~*hūm'eral*, ~*rād'ial*, ~*ul'nar*, of scapula & humerus, & radius, & ulna. [-o-]

scăr¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-IT-). 1. Mark left after healing of wound or burn or sore, cicatrice, (also fig. of abiding effects of grief etc.); mark on plant left by fall of a leaf etc., hilum; hence ~LESS a. 2. vb. Mark with ~ or ~s (esp. in p.p.); heal (l. & t.) over, form ~. [f. OF *escare* f. LL *eschara* scar f. Gk *eskharā* hearth, burn]

scăr², *scaur* (-Ń-), n. Precipitous craggy part of mountain side. [f. ON *sker* isolated rock in sea, cogn. w. SHEAR¹]

scă'rab, n. Sacred beetle of ancient Egypt; = foll.; ancient-Egyptian gem cut in form of beetle & engraved with symbols on flat side. [f. F *scarabée* f. L *scarabaeus*]

scărabae'id, n. Member of *Scarabaeidae*, family of beetles including prec., cockchafer, etc. [prec., -ID¹]

scărabae'oid, a. & n. Like a scarab or a scarabaeid; (n.) counterfeit scarab. [-OID]

scă'ramouch, n. (arch.). Boastful poltroon, braggart. [F(-e), f. It. *Scaramuccia* stock character in Italian farce]

scărce, a. & adv. 1. Insufficient for the demand or need, not plentiful, scanty, (usu. pred., & of food, money, or other necessities of life), whence scăr'city n. (of, or abs. = dearth of food); seldom met with, rare, hard to find, (a ~ book, moth; make oneself ~, colloq., retire, make off, keep out of the way), whence ~NESS (-sn-) n. 2. adv. (arch., poet., rhet.). Scarcely. [f. ONF *escars*, cf. It. *scarso* perh. f. LL *scarpus* for L *ex(cerptus)* = *carptus* f. *carpere* pluck] select]

scărce'ly (-sh), adv. Hardly, barely, only just, (is ~ seventeen years old; had ~ arrived when he was told that —; I ~ know him); surely not, not unless the unlikely happens or is true, (you will ~ maintain that; he can ~ have said so); (mild or apologetic substitute for) not (I ~ think so, know what to say). [-LY¹]

scărce'ment (-sm-), n. Set-back in a wall, ledge resulting from this. [SCARCE + -MENT]

scă're, v.t., & n. 1. Strike (esp. child, foolish person, or animal) with sudden terror, frighten (as) with a bugbear, (~d face, expression, etc., betraying terror; ~ away, drive off by fright); keep (birds) away from sown land etc.; ~crow, figure of man hung with old clothes & set up in

field to keep birds away, bugbear, badly dressed or grotesque-looking or skinny person. 2. n. Unreasonable terror, esp. baseless general apprehension of war, invasion, etc., whence ~MONGER n.; commercial panic; ~head(ing), extravagantly sensational newspaper headline. [ME *skerre*, f. ON *skirru* (*skirru* timid)]

scăr¹, n. (pl. -fs, -ves). Long narrow strip of material worn for ornament or warmth round neck, over shoulders, or baldric-wise; man's necktie (|| ~pin, -ring, usu. of gold or jewelled for holding ends of this together); ~loom, for weaving narrow fabrics; ~skin, outermost layer of skin constantly scaling off (esp. of that adhering to base of nails); ~wise, baldric-wise. Hence ~ED² (-ft) a. [prob. f. ONF *escarpe* f. Teut.; cogn. w. SCARP¹]

scăr², v.t., & n. 1. Join ends of (pieces of timber, metal, or leather) by bevelling or notching so that they overlap without increase of thickness & then bolting, brazing, or sewing them together; flench (whale). 2. n. Joint made by ~ing timber or leather (also ~joint) or metal (also ~weld); notch, groove. [n. f. vb, perh. f. Sw. *skarfta* join (*skarft* seam)]

scă'rificător, n. In vbl senses: esp., surgical instrument for scarifying, in which several lancet-points protrude at once from plane surface on touching of trigger. [SCARIFY, -OR¹]

scă'rifier, n. In vbl senses; esp. = prec.; agricultural machine with prongs for stirring without turning soil; spiked road-breaking machine. [foll., -ER¹]

scă'rif'y, v.t. (Surg.) make superficial incisions in, cut off skin from, (fig.) pain by severe criticism etc.; stir (soil) with scarifier. So ~FICA'TION n. [f. F *scarifier* f. L *scarificare* by assim. to -ficare -FY of *scarifare* f. Gk *skariphaomai* (*skaripho* style, cogn. w. L *scribere* write)]

scăr'ious, a. (bot.). Thin, dry, & membranaceous (of bracts etc.). [f. F *scarieux* f. mod. L *scariosus* etym. dub.]

scărlati'na (-tē-), n. Scarlet fever. [It. (-tū-), f. *scarlatto* SCARLET]

scăr'let, n. & a. (Of) brilliant red colour inclining to orange; ~ cloth or clothes (dressed in ~); ~ admiral, kind of butterfly; ~ fever, infectious fever with ~ rash, (joc.) tendency to fall in love with soldiers; ~grain, scale-insect from which red dye is made in Russia & Turkey; ~ hat, cardinal's, (allus.) cardinalate; ~ rash, roseola; ~ runner, ~flowered trailing bean-plant; ~ woman, whore, pagan Rome, papal Rome, or the worldly spirit (acc. to interpretation put on Ilev. xvii). [f. OF *escarlato* f. Pers. *saqalat* ~ cloth (also *saqlatan*, whence ME *ciclatoun*)]

scă'roid (or skăr-), a. & n. (Fish) of scarus genus, resembling scarus. [-OID]

scăr'p, n., & v.t. 1. Inner wall or slope (cf. COUNTERSCARP) of ditch in fortification;

any steep slope. 2. v.t. Make (slope) perpendicular or steep, provide (ditch) with steep ~ & counter~; (p.p., of hillside etc.) steep, precipitous. [f. It. *scarpa*]

scār'us, n. Kinds of bright-hued fish with parrotlike beak (also *parrotfish*) of wrasse family. [L. f. Gk *skaros*]

scāth'e (-dh), v.t., & n. 1. Injure esp. by blasting or withering up (now rare exc. in part. used by exag. of severe speech, as ~ing sarcasm, ridicule, remarks, whence ~ingly² (-dh-) adv.); (in neg. context) do the least harm to (*shall not be ~ed*; esp. *unscathed*). 2. n. (rare, & usu. in neg. context). Harm, injury, (*without, guard from, ~e*), whence ~e LESS (-dhl-) a. (usu. pred.). [f. ON *skathe* n., *skatha* vb, cf. OE *scathan*, G & Du. *schaden*; cogn. W. Gk *askathēs* unharmed, in which *a*=A- (?)]

scatōl'ogŷ, n. Study of coprolites. [Gk *skōr skalos* dung, -LOGY]

scatōph'agous, a. Feeding on dung. [prec., Gk -phagos -eating]

scāt't'er, v.t. & i. Throw here & there (~ seed), strew (~ gravel on road, road with gravel), sprinkle; disperse (t. & i.), turn (t. & i.) in dispersed flight, rout, be routed; dissipate (cloud, hopes); diffuse (light); (of gun) send charge, send (charge), in spreading manner; (p.p.) not situated together, wide apart, sporadic, (~ed *hamlets, garrisons, instances*); ~brain, heedless person; ~brained, heedless, desultory. Hence ~ingly² adv. [ME, etym. dub.]

scaup (-dück), n. Kinds of duck named from frequenting mussel-scaups or beds of mussels exposed at low tide. [var. of SCALP]

scaup'er. Var. of SCALPER.

scaur. See SCAR².

scāv'eng'ler (-j-), n., & v.i. 1. Person employed to keep streets clean by carrying away refuse; animal feeding on carrion (esp. ~er-beetle, -crab), writer etc. delighting in filthy subjects; hence ~e (-j-; by back formation) v.t. & i., (also) expel exhaust gases etc. from cylinder of internal-combustion engine, ~ERY (2, 5) (-j-) n. 2. v.i. Be, act as, ~er. [earlier *scavenger* (cf. *messenger, passenger*) inspector of imports (AF *scavage* inspection f. ONF *escavner* inspect f. Teut. cf. SHOW + AGE, -ER¹)]

scáz'on, n. Greek & Latin iambic, ending with ~ instead of ~, used in short poems, choliamb; other metres of limping character. [f. Gk *skazōn* (*skazō* limp)]

scenes (shā'nah), n. (mus.). Scene or portion of opera; elaborate dramatic solo usu. including recitative. [It.]

scenā'r'io (shā-), n. (pl. ~s). (Table of) scene-distribution, appearances of characters, etc., in dramatic work, skeleton libretto; (usu. pr. *sēnā'r'io*) written version

of play, details of scenes, etc., in film production. [It.]

scend. See SEND².

scēne, n. 1. Stage of theatre (arch.; still in fig. use *quit the ~*, esp. = die); place on which something is exhibited as on the stage (*this world is a ~ of strife*). 2. Place in which events set forth in drama or tale are supposed to occur, locality of event, (*the ~ is laid in India*; *the ~ of the disaster was the North Sea*). 3. Portion of a play during which action is continuous or (esp. of French plays) in which no intermediate entries or exits occur, subdivision (or rarely the whole) of an act, (*in the third ~ of Act II*; *Act II, ~ iii*, L. 220; *the famous duel ~*; CARPENTER~); (transf.) description with more or less abrupt beginning & end of an incident or part of person's life etc. (~s of clerical life, from a goldfield, etc.), actual incident that might occasion such description (*distressing ~s occurred*), agitated colloquy esp. with display of temper (*now don't make a ~*). 4. Any of the pieces of painted canvas, woodwork, etc., used to help in representing ~ of action on stage, or whole of these together (*behind the ~s*, among the stage machinery or the actors off the stage, usu. fig. = having information not accessible to the public; CARPENTER~; ~s painted by ~; *set ~*, made up of many parts fitted together; *door-scene*); (transf.) landscape or view spread before spectator like ~ in theatre (*a silvan, desolate, ~*; *a ~ of destruction*; *change of ~*, variety of surroundings esp. secured by travel). 5. ~dock, space near stage where ~s are stored; ~painter, ~painting, of theatre ~s; ~shifter, person helping to change ~s in theatre. [f. F *scène* f. L f. Gk *skēnē* tent, stage]

scēn'ery, n. Accessories used in theatre to make stage resemble supposed scene of action; spectacles presented by natural features of a district (*the ~ is imposing, tame*). [earlier *scenery* f. It. *scenario* f. L *scenarius* (prec., -ARY¹) of the stage, assim. to -ERY]

scēn'ic, a. Of, on, the stage (~ performances); of the nature of a show, picturesque in grouping; (of picture etc.) telling a tale, crystallising an incident; (of emotion etc.) dramatic, affected, put on; ~ railway, miniature railway running through artificial picturesque scenery, as attraction at large fairs etc. Hence **scēn'ically** adv. [f. F *scénique* f. L f. Gk *skēnikos* (SCENE, -IC)]

scēn'og'raphŷ, n. Drawing or painting in perspective (esp. of representing building not in ground-plan or elevation, but as spectator sees it). Se ~GRAPHY(1), ~OG'RAPHER, nn., ~OG'RAPHY¹ a., ~e-graph'ically adv. [f. L f. Gk *skēnographia* (SCENE, -GRAPHY)]

scēnt, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Discern by smell

(~ *game* etc.), (fig.) begin to suspect presence or existence of (~ *treachery, a job*); ~ *out*, discover by smelling about or search; make fragrant or rank (*rose, carrion, ~s the air*), apply perfume to (handkerchief etc.; ~ed *dames, cigarettes*); exercise sense of smell, apply this to, (*goes ~ing about; lifts its head & ~s the air*). 2. n. Odour, esp. of agreeable kind, proceeding from or belonging to something (*the ~ of hay*), whence ~LESS a.; (Hunt.) trail perceptible to hounds' sense of smell left by animal (often fig.; *follow up, lose, recover, etc., the ~, lit., & of investigation; on the ~, having clue; put off the ~, deceive by false indications*; COLE¹, HOT¹, ~), paper strewn by paper-chase hares (*false ~, laid to deceive about course, also fig.*); power of detecting or distinguishing smells or of discovering presence of something, flair, (*some dogs have practically no ~; keen-~ed; has a wonderful ~ for snobbery, young talent, etc.*); liquid perfume distilled from flowers etc. 3. ~bag, pouch containing special odoriferous substance in some animals, also bag of aniseed etc. as substitute for fox in hunting; ~bottle, for perfume; ~gland, secreting musk, civet, etc.; ~organ, ~bag or ~gland; hence (-)~ED² a. (~ed *caper, kind of tea; ~ed fern, kind smelling like citron*). [n. f. vb. earlier *scent*, f. F *sentir* perceive, smell, f. L *sentire* perceive]

scēp'sis (sk-), *sk-, n. Philosophic doubt, sceptical philosophy. [f. Gk *skepsis* inquiry (*skeptomai* examine)]

scēp'tic (sk-), *sk-, n. Ancient or modern holder of PYRRHONISM; person who doubts truth of the Christian or of all religious doctrines, agnostic, (pop.) atheist; person of sceptical habit of mind, or unconvinced of truth of particular fact or theory, or who takes cynical views. So ~ISM(S) (sk-) n. [ult. f. Gk *skeptikos* (prec., -IO)]

scēp'tical (sk-), *sk-, a. Inclined to suspense of judgement, given to questioning truth of facts & soundness of inferences, critical, incredulous; accepting PYRRHONISM, denying possibility of knowledge; holding, designed to support, inspired by, the ideas of SCEPTICS. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

scēp'trle (-ter), n. Staff borne as symbol of personal sovereignty; royal or imperial authority. Hence ~ED² (-terd), ~GLASS (-terl), aa. [OF, f. L f. Gk *skēptron* (*skeptō* prop.)]

schēdenfreude (shah'denfroide), n. Malicious enjoyment of others' misfortunes. [G, f. *schade* damage + *freude* joy]

schappe (shāp, shah'pe), n. Fabric or yarn made from waste silk. [G, = silk waste]

schēd'file (līsh, *sk-), n., & v.t. 1. Tabulated statement of details, inventory,

list, etc., esp. as appendix or annexe to principal document; *time-table; ~time, that stated in time-table (on ~, to ~time). 2. v.t. Make ~ of, include in ~. [ME & OF *cedule* f. LL *scedula* (L *sceda* papyrus-strip, -ULE)]

scheik. = SHEIKH.

schēm'a (sk-), n. (pl. ~ata). Synopsis, outline, diagram; (Log.) syllogistic figure; (Gram., Rhet.) figure of speech; (Kantian Philos.) general type, essential form, conception of what is common to all members of a class. So ~AT'ic a., ~AT'ically adv., (sk-). [med. L, f. Gk *skhēma* -atos shape (*skhō, skh-*, hold, be)]

schēm'e (sk-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Systematic arrangement proposed or in operation (~ of colour, principle on which colours have been chosen & grouped in picture etc.), table of classification or of appointed times, outline, syllabus; plan for doing something; artful or underhand design. 2. vb. Make plans, plan esp. in secret or underhand way (*to do, for, or abs.*), intrigue, whence ~ER¹ n., ~ING² a., (sk-); plan to bring about. [f. L SCHEMA]

schers'an'dō (skārts-), mus. direction. In playful manner. [It.]

scherso (skārt'sō), n. (pl. ~s). Vigorous (prop. light & playful) composition, independent or as movement in works of sonata type. [It., f. Teut. (G *schers* jest)]

Schiedām' (skid-), n. Holland gin. [place] **schill'ing** (sh-), n. Modern (1925-38) Austrian coin (par about 7d.), 100 groschen. [G]

schipp'erke (sk-, sh-), n. Kind of lapdog. [Du.]

schism (sī'zm), n. Division of a community into factions (rare in gen. sense), esp. separation of a Church into two Churches or secession of part of a Church owing to difference of opinion on doctrine or discipline; offence of causing or promoting such separation. [f. OF *scieme* f. eccl. L f. Gk *schisma* -atos (*skhīō* split, -M)]

schismāt'ic (siz-), a. & n., -ic(al), a. 1. Tending or inclined to, guilty of, schism; hence ~ALLY² adv. 2. n. Holder of ~ opinions, member of ~ faction or seceded branch of a Church. [f. OF *schismaticus* f. eccl. L f. Gk *schismaticos* (prec., -IO), -AL]

schist (sh-), n. Kinds of foliated rock presenting layers of different minerals & splitting in thin irregular plates. Hence **schis'tose** (sh-) a. [f. F *schiste* f. L f. Gk *schistos* split (SCHISM)]

schizān'thus (sk-), n. Kinds of flowering annual with handsome white, violet, or crimson flowers & much-divided leaves. [Gk *skhīō* split, *anthos* flower]

schizomycēte (sk-), n. Any of the *Schizomycetes*, a class of minute often single-cell vegetable organisms between algae &

fungi multiplying by fission, including bacilli, bacteria, microbes, etc. [Gk *skhizō* split, *mukēs* -*ēos* mushroom]

schizophrenia (sk-), n. Mental disease marked by disconnection between thoughts, feelings, & actions. Hence ~*en*'ic a. & n. [as prec., Gk *phrēn* mind]

schnäp(p)s (shn-), n. A spirit resembling Holland gin. [G]

schnauzer (shnow'teer), n. German breed of house-dog with close wiry coat. [G]

Schneid'er Tröph'y (shnī-), n. International trophy open to seaplanes of all nations presented in 1913 by Jacques Schneider, in 1931 won outright by Great Britain.

schno'r'rer (shn-), n. Jewish beggar. [Yiddish, f. G dial. *schnurrer* beggar]

schöl'ar (sk-), n. 1. Schoolboy, schoolgirl, (arch. or vulg.). 2. Person's disciple (rhet.). 3. Person who learns (*proved an apt, dull, ~; at 90 he was still a ~*). 4. Learned person, person versed in literature esp. that of ancient Greece & Rome, (*a ~ & a gentleman, person of good education & breeding*), whence ~LY¹ a., ~SHIP (8) n. 5. (Univv., Pub. Schh.) undergraduate or boy admitted to foundation usu. after competitive examination & receiving education gratis or for reduced fees (RHODES ~), whence ~SHIP(1) n. [AF *escolar* (SCHOOL¹, -ER¹) refash. on LL *scholaris* (-AR¹)]

scholās'tic (sk-), a. & n. 1. Of universities, schools, schooling, dons, or schoolmasters, educational, academic, pedantic, formal, (*a ~ education, post; ~ attire, manners, precision, life; ~ agent, finding posts for teachers*). 2. (As) of the SCHOOL-men, dealing in logical subtleties, (~ *theology*, much concerned with precise definition of & deduction from dogma); hence or cogn. scholās'tically adv., ~ISM (2, 3) n. 3. n. SCHOOL'man; modern theologian of ~ tendencies; Jesuit between novitiate & priesthood. (f. L f. Gk *skholastikos* (*skholastō* be at leisure, see SCHOOL¹, -IO))

schöl'jāst (sk-), n. Commentator, esp. ancient grammarian who wrote scholia on the classics. Hence ~ās'tic a. (f. LL f. Gk *skholiastēs* (*skholiastō* write scholia) (foll.))

schöl'i'um (sk-), n. (pl. -ia). Marginal note, explanatory comment, esp. one by ancient grammarian on passage in classical author. (f. med. L f. Gk *skholion* (*skholē* see foll.))

schööl¹ (sk-), n., & v.t. 1. Institution for educating children or giving instruction usu. of more elementary or more technical kind than that given at universities (BOARD¹, BOARDING, DAY, GRAMMAR, MIXED, NIGHT, NORMAL, PRIMARY, PRIVATE, PUBLIC, RAGGED, SECONDARY, SUNDAY, ~; || *national ~*, one founded by the National Society started 1811 to promote education of the

poor; *continuation ~*, at which those who have left esp. primary ~ for an occupation can have further teaching in leisure time; *evening ~*, = night-; *free ~*, open without fees; *high ~*, secondary ~; or chief ~ of a town etc.; *technical ~*, giving TECHNICAL education; *keep a ~*, manage private ~; buildings of such institution, any of its rooms used for teaching in (*the fifth-form, chemistry, ~*), its pupils (*the whole ~ knows*); time during which teaching is done (*there will be no ~ today; go to ~*, attend lesson). 2. Being educated in a ~ (*go to, leave, ~*, begin, cease, this; *go to ~ to*, transf., imitate or learn from); (fig.) circumstances or occupation serving to discipline or instruct (*in the ~ of adversity; learnt his generalship in a severe ~; the duel is a good ~ of manners*). 3. Medieval lecture-room (*the ~s*, medieval universities & their professors & teaching & disputations; *the theology of the ~s; ~ doctors, ~men*); || any of the branches of study with separate examinations at university (*the history, mathematical, Greats, ~*); hall in which university examinations are held; (pl.) such examination (*in the ~s*, undergoing or conducting this at Oxford; || *in for his ~s*, of candidate). 4. Disciples or imitators or followers of philosopher, artist, etc., band or succession of persons devoted to some cause or principle or agreeing in typical characteristics, (*left no ~ behind him: ~ of Epicurus, Raphael, etc.; Bolognese, Venetian, Roman, British, etc., ~*, of painters; *lake, romantic, etc., ~*, of literature; *peripatetic, Hegelian, etc., ~*, of philosophy; *laissez-faire, blue-water, etc., ~*, of politics, strategy; *Tubingen ~*, of rationalistic theological criticism; *a gentleman of the old ~*, according to the older acceptance of the word). 5. (Mus.) manual of (-'s *violin ~*, ~ of counterpoint). 6. || *Old ~ tie*, necktie worn by former members of a ~, (fig.) sentimental or excessive local or class loyalty; ~board, local education authority || responsible (1870-1902) for providing BOARD ~s; ~book, for use in ~s; ~boy, boy at ~ (often attrib., as ~boy slang, *mischievous, spirits*); || ~dame, keeper of old-fashioned DAME ~; ~days, time of being at ~ esp. as looked back upon; ~divine, scholastic theologian, so ~divinity; ~fee(s), amount periodically paid by pupil's parent etc.; ~fellow, member past or present of same ~; ~girl (as ~boy); ~house, building of esp. village ~; || ~house, headmaster's or central boarding-house at public ~; ~inspector, reporting on efficiency of ~s provided at public expense; ~ma'am, marm colloq., ~mistress; ~man, teacher in medieval European university, theologian dealing with religious doctrines by rules of Aristotelian logic; ~master, head or assistant male teacher in

~, pedagog; ~mate, contemporary at name ~; ~miss, inexperienced or bashful girl; ~mistress (as ~master); || ~pence, money formerly brought weekly by elementary ~ child as fee; ~room, used for lessons in ~ or private house; ~ship, training-ship; ~teacher, master or mistress esp. in primary ~; ~teaching; ~time, lesson-time at ~ or home, also = ~days. 7. v.t. Send to ~, provide for education of, (rare), whence (in common use) ~ing¹ n.; discipline, bring under control, deliberately train or accustom to, induce to follow advice, (must ~ his temper; ~ oneself to patience, to take an interest in; will not be ~ed). [OE *scōl* f. L *schola* school f. Gk *scholē* leisure, philosophy, lecture-place]

schōl¹ (sk-), n., & v.t. 1. Shoal of or of fish; ~fish, kinds that ~, esp. the menhaden. 2. v.t. Form ~s. [Du., cf. *SHOAL*²]

schōl'able (sk-), a. Liable by age etc. to compulsory education. [-ABLE]

schōn'er (sk-), n. 1. Fore-&-aft-rigged vessel with two or more masts; *PRAMIE* ~. 2. *Tall beer-glass; || measure for beer. [perh. f. an alleged Sc. & New-England *sewn*, *secon*, *skim* or *skip*; orig. (c. 1713) *seconer*, name given by first designer, now *sch-* by assim. to its derivative Du. *schooner*]

schōri (sh-), n. Black tourmaline. [f. G *schōri*]

schōttische (shōtēsh'), n. (Music for) kind of slower polka. [G (-sch), = *Scottish*]

sciā'graphy (si-), ski-, n. Art of shading in drawing etc.; photography by X-rays (usu. sk-); [Archit.; also & usu. -graph] vertical section showing interior of house etc.; (Astron.) finding of time by shadows as in sundial. So *sci'agram* n., X-ray picture, *sciagrammatic* a., -ically adv., *sci'agraph* (1, 2, 3) n. & v.t., *sciā'grapher* n., *sciagraph'ic* a., *sciagraph'ically* adv., (si-). [f. Gk *skiagraphia* (skia shade, -GRAPHY)]

sciām'achy (si-, -ki), *sciō-*, n. Fighting with shadows, imaginary or futile combat. [f. Gk *skiamakhia* (prec., -makhos -fighting f. *makhomai* fight, -IA¹)]

sciāt'ic (si-), a. Of the hip (~nerve, artery, etc.); of, affecting, the ~nerve; suffering from or liable to sciatica. Hence *sciāt'ically* adv. [f. F *sciaticque* f. LL *sciaticus* f. L f. Gk *iskhiadikos* subject to sciatica (*iskhia* -skios knee-pain f. *iskhion* socket of thigh-bone)]

sciāt'ics (si-), n. Neuralgia of hip & thigh, pain in sciatic nerve. [med. L, fem. of Lf. as prec.]

sci'ence (si-), n. 1. Knowledge (arch.), whence (in med. use) *sciē'tial* (-shi) a., *sciē'tial'ly* adv. 2. Systematic & formulated knowledge (moral, political, natural, etc., ~, such knowledge in reference to these subjects); pursuit of this or principles regulating such pursuit

(man of ~). 3. (Also *natural* ~) the physical or natural ~s collectively (~ now shares the curriculum with literature, history, & mathematics). 4. (With a & pl.) branch of knowledge, organized body of the knowledge that has been accumulated on a subject, (the ~ of optics, ethics, philology; exact ~, admitting of quantitative treatment; pure ~, one depending on deductions from self-evident truths, as mathematics, logic; natural, physical one dealing with material phenomena & based mainly on observation, experiment, & induction, as chemistry, biology, whence esp. *sci'entist*, *sci'entism*, nn.; the dismal ~, political economy). 5. Expert's skill as opp. strength or natural ability, esp. in pugilism or other fighting. [F, f. L *scientia* (scire know, -ENCE)]

sciē'ter (si-), adv. (legal). Wittingly. [L (prec., -ENT, -er adv. term.)]

scientif'ic (si-), a. (Of investigations etc.) according to rules laid down in science for testing soundness of conclusions, systematic, accurate; of, used or engaged in, esp. natural science (~ic instruments, books, terminology, men); (of act or agent) assisted by expert knowledge (a ~ic boxer, game; ~ic cruelty). Hence ~ically adv. [f. LL *scientificus*, see SCIENCE, -IFIC]

sci'icēt (si-), adv. (abbr. sc., sci.). To wit, that is to say, namely, (introducing word to be supplied or explanation of ambiguous one). [L, = *scire licet* it is allowed to know]

Scillō'n'ian (si-), a. & n. (Native, inhabitant of) the Scilly Isles. [f. *Scill(y)* + -onian (perh. after *Devonian*)]

scim'itar (si-), n. Oriental curved sword usu. broadening towards point. [f. Rom. (It. *scimitarra*, F *cimeterre*) perh. f. Pers. *shamshir*]

scintill'a (si-), n. Spark, atom, (esp. not a ~ of evidence etc.). [L]

scin'tillāte (si-), v.t. Sparkle, twinkle, emit sparks. So ~ANT a., ~ATION n. [f. L *scintillare* (prec.), -ATE²]

sci'ollist (si-), n. Superficial pretender to knowledge, smatterer. Hence or cogn. ~ISM(2) n., ~is'tic a. [f. LL *sciolus* smatterer (scire know), -IST]

scio'l'tō (shō-), mus. direction. In free manner, according to taste; staccato. [It.]

sciomachy. See SCIAMACHY.

sci'om (si-), n. Shoot of plant, esp. one cut for grafting or planting; descendant, young member of (esp. noble) family. [F (earlier also *cion*), etym. dub.]

Sci'ōt(e) (si-), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Scio, the ancient Chios. [-OT²]

sci'e fū'cūs (sti-, sh-), n. Writ to enforce or annul judgement, patent, etc. [L, = let (party) know]

scirecca. See SCIROCCO.

scirr'h'us (si'r'us, ski-), n. Hard tumour as early stage of cancer. Hence or cogn.

~OID, ~OUS, aa., ~OS'ITY n. [LL, f. Gk *skir'ros* (*skiros* hard)]

sciss'el (si-), n. Waste clippings of metal or remainder of metal plate from which disks have been punched in coining. [f. F *cisaile* f. *ciseler* CHISEL, -AI(2)]

sciss'ile (si-), a. Able to be cut. [f. L *scissilis* (*scindere* sciss- cut, -IL)]

scission (si'shn), n. Cutting, being cut, division, split. [F, f. LL *scissionem* (prec., -ION)]

sciss'or (si's'or), v.t. Cut (off, up, into, etc.) with scissors; clip out or out (cutting from book etc.), whence ~ING¹(2) n. [f. foll.]

sciss'ors (si's'orz), n. pl. Instrument for cutting fabrics, paring nails, etc., made of two blades with handles for thumb & one finger or the fingers & so pivoted that their cutting edges work by leverage against each other (often pair of ~; I want a pair of, some, ~; where are my ~?; buttonhole ~, with gaps in blades near pivot so that cutting begins inside edge of cloth; lamp, nail, ~, of special shapes for trimming wicks, nails; ~ & paste, compiling of books out of cuttings from others); *scissor-bill*, the bird SKIMMER; *scissor-bird* or *-tail*, kinds of bird with long forked tail esp. fork-tailed flycatcher; *scissor-tooth*, tooth in carnivora acting like ~ against one in other jaw. Hence **sciss'orwise** (si's'or-) adv. [ME *scissors* f. OF *cisoires* f. L *cisorium* (as CHISEL -ORY)]

sci'urine (si-), a. Of the squirrel tribe; squirrel-like. So ~OID a. [L f. Gk *skiouros* squirrel (*skia* shade, *oura* tail), -INE¹]

Slav, Slavonic, etc. See Slav etc.

scle'r'a, n. = SCLEROTIC n. (anat.). Hence ~IT'IS, ~OT'OMY, nn. [f. fem. of Gk *sklēros* hard]

scle'ri'asis, n. (path.). Hardening of tissue. [Gk (*sk-*), = induration of eyelid (foll., -ASIS)]

scle'r'(o)-, comb. form of Gk *sklēros* hard: ~ench'yra (-ngk-), hard tissue of coral, tissue forming hard parts of plants such as nut-shell or seed-coat; ~oderm'(atous, with hard outerskin (of reptiles, fish, etc.); ~ogen, hard matter deposited on inner surface of plant-cells, e.g. that lining walnut shell; ~omēn'ina, DURA MATER; ~ostel'etom, hard parts resulting from ossification of tendons as in turkey's leg etc.; ~osteous, of the nature of ~o-skeleton.

scle'r'oid, a. (bot., zool.). Of hard texture. [f. Gk *sklēroidēs* (prec., -OID)]

scle'rōm'a, **scle'rōs'is**, nn. (pl. -mata, -ēs). Morbid hardening of tissue; (Bot.; -sis) hardening of cell-wall by SCLEROGEN. Hence **scle'rōsēn'** (-st) a. [Gk (*sk-*), see SCLERO-, -X, -OSIS]

scle'rōt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, with, sclerosis; of the ~. 2. n. Membrane coating eye

round iris, white of eye; hence **scle'rōtr'is** n. [SCLERO-, -OTIC]

scle'r'ous, a. (path., anat., bot.). Indurated, bony. [Gk *sklēros* hard, -OUS]

scōbs, n. Sawdust, shavings, filings, dross. So **scōb'iform** a. (bot., of seeds). [L]

scōf'n', n., & v.i. 1. Mocking words, taunt, gibe; object of ridicule, laughing-stock. 2. v.i. Speak derisively esp. of religion or object of respect; aim ~s or mockery at; hence ~ER¹ n., ~INGLY² adv. [vb f. n., ME *scof*, cf. ON *skop*]

scōf'n', n., & v.t. & i. (sl.). 1. Food, meal, grub. 2. vb. Eat greedily. [Cape Du., corrupted f. Du. *schoff* quarter of a day (hence, meal); vb orig. a var. of dial. *scaff*]

scōld, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Find fault noisily, rail; rate, rebuke, (chiefly of parent, employer, speaking to child, servant), whence **scōl'ding'**(1) n. 2. n. Railing or nagging woman. [vb f. n., f. ON *skald* SCALD¹]

scōl'ēx, n. (pl. -ē'cēs). Head of larval or adult tapeworm. [f. Gk *skōlēx* worm]

scōli|ōs'is, n. Lateral curvature of spine. Hence ~OT'IC a. [Gk (*sk-*), f. *skolioō* make crooked (*skolios*), -OSIS]

scallop. See SCALLOP.

scōlopā'ceous (-shus), **scōl'opacine**, aa. Of, like, the snipes. [Gk *skolopax* -akos perh. = woodcock, -ACEOUS, -INE¹]

scōlopēn'drine, a. Of, like, related to, centipede(s). [L f. Gk *skolopendra* millepede, -INE¹]

scōlopēn'drium, n. Kinds of fern, hart's-tongue etc. [L, f. Gk *skolopendrium* (prec.)]

scōm'bier, n. Mackerel or kinds of fish allied to it. Hence ~ID¹(1) n., ~ROID a. & n. [L, f. Gk *skombros*]

scōn. Var. of SCONE.

scōnce', n. Flat candlestick with handle; bracket candlestick to hang on wall. [earlier sense, lantern; f. OF *esconce* dark lantern f. med. L *sconsa* f. L *absconsa* var. of ABSCONDITA fem. p.p.]

scōnce', n. (Old joc. term for) head, crown of head (a crack on the ~). [perh. a use of prec. or foll.]

scōnce', n. Small fort or earthwork, usu. covering a ford, pass, etc.; (arch.) shelter, screen; (dial.) fixed slab seat by fireplace. [f. Du. *schans*, etym. dub.]

|| **scōnce'**, v.t., & n. 1. (At Oxford) inflict forfeit of beer etc. for offence against table etiquette upon (member of company or his offence; *Jones was, Latin quotations are, ~d*); (hist., of university officials etc.) fine for breach of discipline (*Vice-Chancellor ~d all that were without their hoods*). 2. n. The forfeit. [?]

|| **scōne**, n. Soft cake of barley-meal or wheat-flour of size for single portion & usu. triangular cooked on griddle. [perh. f. MDu. *schoom(bro)f* fine (bread)]

scōop, n., & v.t. f. Short-handled deep

shovel for taking up & transferring such things as grain, sugar, coal, specie; large long-handled ladle-shaped dipping-vessel for liquids; gouge-like instrument e.g. for surgical use or for helping cheese; coal-scuttle; motion as of, act of, ~ing (with a, at one, ~); (sl.) large profit made quickly or by anticipating competitors; (sl.) exclusive piece of news for news-paper; ~net, formed for sweeping river-bottom, also hand-net for catching bait; ~wheel, with buckets on circumference raising water for irrigation etc. 2. v.t. Lift (usu. up), hollow (usu. out), (as) with ~; (sl.) secure (large profit etc.) by sudden action or stroke of luck; (sl.) forestall (rival newspaper, reporter, etc.) with ~. [cf. Du. *schoep* bucket & *schoep* shovel, G *schoöpfen* draw (water); cogn. v. *SHOVE*]

scōp'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: engraver's tool; kind of avocet. [-ER¹]

scōt, v.i. (sl.). Run, dart, make off. Hence ~ER¹(2) n., child's toy, a foot-board with two tandem wheels on which one foot is set while the other propels & a long handle (*motor* ~er, similar machine propelled by motor). [earlier *scoot* in naut. use; reimported as *scoot* f. U.S.]

scōp'a, **scōp'ula**, nn. (entom.; pl. -ae). Small brushlike tuft of hairs esp. on bees' legs. Hence **scōp'ATE**, **scōp'ULATE**, **scōp'IFORM**, **scōp'ULIFORM**, **scōp'EROUS**, aa. [*scopa* sing. of L *scopae*, = twigs, broom, -la mod. sing. of L *scopulae* pl.]

scōpe, n. 1. End aimed at, purpose, intention, (now rare). 2. Outlook, purview, sweep or reach or sphere of observation or action, tether, extent to which it is permissible or possible to range, opportunity, outlet, vent, (*mind*, *undertaking*, of *wide* ~; *is beyond my* ~; *gives no, ample*, ~ for *expatiating*, to *ability*; *seeks* ~ for *his energies*). 3. (Naut.) length of cable out when ship rides at anchor. [earlier sense *target* (perh. thr. It. *scopo*) f. Gk *skopos* mark to shoot at, watcher, (*skeptomai* look at, cf. L *specere*)]

-scope, suf. repr. Gk *skopos* watcher (prec.). **HOROSCOPE** is f. Gk *hōroskopos* (watcher of) a nativity. **TELESCOPE** is f. Gk *teleskopos* far-seeing. In wds of mod. formation the suf. usu. has the sense *instrument for observing or showing*, as *asteloh*~, *pyro*~, *laryngo*~, and the hybrid *muta*~. Hence **-scōp'ic**, adj. suf., pertaining to the -scope, occas. w. extended meaning also, as in **TELESCOPIC**, **MICROSCOPIC**; **-scopy**, n. suf., use of or examination by the -scope, as *laryngoscopy*.

scōrbūt'ic, a. & n. Of, like, (person) affected with, scurvy. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. F *scorbute* scurvy prob. f. MLG *schorbtik* (schoren break, bák belly) + *-ic*]

scōrch, v.t. & i. & n. 1. Burn surface of with flame or heat-rays so as to discolour or injure or pain, affect with sensation of

burning (*a wit that ~es*), whence ~ING¹ a., ~INGLY¹ adv.; ~ed *earth policy*, burning crops etc. and removing or destroying anything that might be of use to an enemy occupying the country; become discoloured etc. with heat. 2. (sl.). (Of motorist or cyclist) go at utmost speed; (n.) spell of such driving or riding. [earlier *scorken* perh. f. ON *skorpn* be shrivelled] **scōrch'er**, n. In vbl senses; also, (sl.) fine specimen of its kind. [-ER¹]

scōre, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Notch cut or line cut or scratched or drawn (*rock covered with ~s or striations*; *the ~s of the whip showed on his back*; *made a ~ in the telly*; *lightning had made ~s in the mountain side*); mark showing starting-point in race or standing-place in shooting-match (now rare; hence perh. *go off at ~*, start off vigorously esp. to discourse on pet subject); (Naut.) groove in block or dead-eye to hold strap. 2. Running account kept by ~s against customer's name esp. for drink in old inns, reckoning esp. for entertainment, (*pay one's ~*, settle reckoning; *death pays all ~s*; *pay off old ~s*, fig., pay person out for past offence; *so quit ~s with*). 3. Number of points made by player or side in some games, register of items of this, (*make a good ~*; *what is the ~ now?*; ~book, ~card, ~sheet, prepared for entering esp. cricket ~ in; *keep ~*, register it as it is made). 4. (Mus.) copy of a composition on set of staves braced & barred together (named from bar drawn through all staves: *full ~*, with separate staff for each part; *compressed*, *close*, *short*, ~ in vocal music, with treble & alto on one staff, tenor & bass on another; *in ~*, with parts arranged below each other & corresponding). 5. Twenty, set of twenty, (for use of ~, ~s, see DOZEN; *three ~ & ten*, phr. for normal length of human life; ~s of people, great numbers). 6. Category, head, (*rejected on the ~ of absurdity*, as being absurd; *you may be easy on that ~*, so far as that matter is concerned). 7. || (sl.). Remark or act by which person ~s off another (*given to making cheap ~s*); piece of good fortune (*what a ~!*). 8. vb. Mark with notches or incisions or lines, slash, furrow, make (line etc.) with something that marks, (~ *out words*, draw line through them; ~ *under*, underline). 9. Mark up in inn~, enter (item of debt *against* or to customer; often up); (fig.) mentally record (offence *against* or to offender); record (point in cricket etc. ~; abs., keep the ~, whence **scōr'ER**¹ n.). 10. Win & be credited with (*has ~d a success, a century at cricket*), make points in game (*failed to ~*), secure an advantage or have good luck (*that is where he ~s*; *we shall ~ by it*); || ~ off (sl.), worst in argument or repartee, inflict some humiliation on. 11. (Mus.) orchestrate, whence **scōr'ING**¹ (6) n., arrange

for another instrument, write out in ~. [OE *scoru* twenty f. ON *skor* twenty, notch; cogn. w. *SEBAR*; sense *twenty* perh. from twentieth notch's larger size]

scōf' [ia, n. (pl. ~ies). Cellular lava or fragments of it. Hence ~LA'CEOUS (-ashus) a. [L, f. Gk *skōria* refuse (*skōr* dung)]

scōf' [i]fy, v.t. Reduce to dross, assay (precious metal) by ~fy'ing a portion of its ore fused with lead & borax. Hence ~FICA'TION, ~FIER¹ (2), nn. [prec., -FY]

scōfn, n., & v.t. 1. Disdain, contempt, derision, (*think ~ of*, despise; LAUGH to ~), whence ~FUL a., ~'fully² adv., ~fulness n.; object of contempt, (usu. a ~ to, the ~ of, persons etc.). 2. v.t. Hold in contempt, consider beneath notice, abstain from or refuse to do as unworthy (~s *lying*, a lie, to lie); hence ~ER¹ n. (arch. exc. w. of). [ME *skarn* n., *scarne* vb, f. OF *escarn*(ir) f. Teut., cf. Du. *schern*(n) ridicule n. & v.]

Scōp'iō, n. Zodiacal constellation & eighth sign of zodiac, the Scorpion. [L, also *scorpius* f. Gk *skorpios* scorpion, *skorpiōn* ballista]

scōp'loid, n. & a. (bot.). (Inflorescence) curled up at end like scorpion's tail & uncurling as flowers develop. [f. Gk *skorpioideōs* (prec., -OID)]

scōp'lon, n. 1. Arachnid with lobster-like claws & jointed tail that can be bent over to inflict poisoned sting on prey held in claws, falsely reputed to sting itself to death if encircled with fire & to contain a substance serving as antidote for its poison. 2. (Bibl.) whip armed with metal points (1 *Kings* xii. 11). 3. (S~) = SCORPIO. 4. Kind of ballista. 5. ~broom, kind of genista; ~fish, kind with spines on head & fins; ~plant, Javan orchid with creamy white flower, also ~broom; ~shell, kind of shellfish with long spines fringing outer lip of aperture; ~thorn, ~broom. [F, f. L *scorpionem* SCORPIO]

scōrzonē'a, n. Black salsify or Viper's-grass, a plant with parsnip-like root used as vegetable. [It., prob. f. *scorzone* adder 'because it doeth heale the bytinges of this beast']

scōt', n. (hist.). Payment corresponding to modern tax, rate, or other assessed contribution (*pay ~ & lot*, share pecuniary burdens of borough etc.); ~free (in mod. use), not having to pay (rare), (usu.) unharmed, unpunished, safe, (esp. go ~free). [f. OF *escot* f. ON *skot* shot, contribution, cf. OE *escot* whence SHOT²]

Scōt', n. (Pl.) Gaelic tribe that migrated from Ireland to Scotland about 6th c. (often *PICTs* & ~s); native of Scotland. [OE *Scōttas* pl., f. LL *Scōtius*]

Scōtch', a. & n. 1. Of Scotland or its inhabitants, in the dialect(s) of English spoken in Lowlands of Scotland, (the ~ themselves un. prefer the form *Scottish* also used by the English esp. in dignified

style or context, or *Scots* rare in Engl. use exc. in compliment to ~ hearers; the ~, ~ people or nation; ~ FIR, KALE, MIST; POUND² *Scots*; ~ broth, soup or liquid stew with pearl barley and vegetables; ~ cap, of shapes worn with Highland costume, Glengarry, Tam-o'-Shanter, etc.; ~ catch or snap in music, short note on the beat followed by long one occupying remainder of beat; ~ terrier, small rough-haired short-legged kind; ~ whisky, kind distilled in Scotland esp. from malted barley; ~ pebble, kinds of agate & jasper, cairngorm, etc.; ~ collons, steak & onions; ~ woodcock, eggs on anchovy toast; || ~-&-English, prisoners' base; ~man, *Scots*'man, ~woman, *Scot*'woman, natives of Scotland (*Flying Scotsman*, a London-Edinburgh express). 2. n. The ~ dialect of English (Sc. *Scots*; also *Lowland* ~; BROAD ~); ~ whisky (~ & soda, glass of this with soda-water). [contr. of SCOTTISH]

scōtch', v.t., & n. (arch.). 1. Make incisions in, score, wound without killing, slightly disable, (esp. 'We have ~'d the snake, not killed it', see *Macbeth* III. II. 13). 2. n. Slash, mark on ground for HOP² ~. [?]

scōtch', n., & v.t. 1. Wedge or block placed before wheel etc. to prevent motion downhill. 2. v.t. Hold up (wheel, barrel) with ~. [perh. var. of *scatch* stilt, see SKATE²]

scōt'er, n. Large sea-duck. [?]

scō'tia (-sha), n. Concave moulding esp. in base of column. [L, f. Gk *skotia* darkness (SCOTO-) w. ref. to shadow produced]

Scōt'ism, n. (hist.). Metaphysical doctrines of Duns Scotus (d. 1308). So ~ISM (2) n. [L *Scotus* the Scot, -ISM]

Scōt'land Yārd. (Used for) the London police, the headquarters of the detection of crime. [*Great, New*, ~, successive headquarters of metropolitan police]

scōt'o-, comb. form of Gk *skotos* darkness; ~dīn'ia, giddiness [Gk *dīnē* whirl]; ~graph, machine for writing in darkness. **scōtōm'a**, n. (path.; pl. ~as). Obscuration of part of the field of vision. [LL, f. Gk *skōtōma* f. *skotoō* darken (prec., -M)]

Scōts. See SCOTCH¹; (in regimental titles) *Royal ~*, *Royal ~ Fusiliers*, *Greys*, ~ *Guards*. [ME *Scottis* SCOTTISH]

Scot(t)icē (skōt'isē), adv. In Scotch. [med. L (LL *Scot(t)icus* Scotch)]

Scōt'ticism, -ōti-, n. Scotch phrase, word, or idiom. [as prec., -ISM (4)]

Scōt'ticize, -ōti-, v.i. & t. Imitate the Scotch in idiom or habits; imbue with, model on, Scotch ways. [prec., -IZE]

Scōt'tish, a. See SCOTCH¹; (in regimental titles) *King's Own ~ Borderers*, ~ *Rifles*, *London ~*. [SCOT², -ISH¹]

scoun'drel, n. Unscrupulous person, villain, rogue, rascal. Hence ~DEM, ~ISM (3), nn., ~LY¹ a. [?]

scour¹ {-owr}, v.t. & n. 1. Cleanse or brighten by friction (~ metal, with sand etc.); ~ clothes etc., with soap or chemicals; (of water, or person with water) clear out (channel, harbour, pipe, etc.) by flushing or flowing through or over; (of drug, physician, etc.) purge (bowels) drastically (~ worms, purge them by placing in damp moss etc. to fit them for bait); clear (rust, stain, etc.) away, off, by rubbing etc. (also fig.); ~ing-rush, kind of HORSE¹-tail with silicious coating used for polishing wood etc.; hence (-)~ER¹ (1, 2) n. 2. n. Clearing action of swift current on channel etc. (the ~ of the tide); diarrhoea in cattle; substance used for ~ing fabrics. [prob. f. MLG *schüren* (G *scheuern*) f. OF *escurer* f. mod. L *scurare* (L *EXcuratus* taken good care of, see CURE¹)]

scour² {-owr}, v.i. & t. Rove, range, go along hastily, esp. in search or pursuit; hasten over or along, search rapidly, (~ the plain, coast, woods). [perh. f. ON *skir* a storm, & cogn. w. *SHOWER*]

scourge (skérj), n., & v.t. 1. Whip for chastising persons (arch.); person or thing regarded as instrument or manifestation of divine or other vengeance or punishment (e.g. barbarian conqueror, pestilence, war; the white ~, consumption as an endemic disease). 2. v.t. Use whip on (arch.); chastise, afflict, oppress, harass. [n. f. AF *escorpe* f. p.p. (=thong) of LL *EX(coriare) f. corium* hide; vb f. OF *escorpiér* perh. f. the LL *vb* =flay]

scout¹, n., & v.i. 1. (Mil. etc.) man sent out to get information about enemy or surroundings (boy ~, member of organization intended to develop character, resourcefulness, & public spirit); || A.A. or R.A.C. patrol-man; ship designed for reconnoitring; small fast aircraft; || (Oxf.) college servant (cf. GYP¹, SKIP¹); || (Crick.; arch.) fielder; act of seeking (esp. mil.) information (on the ~); kinds of bird, auk, galleot, puffin; ~master, officer directing ~s or boy ~s. 2. v.i. Act as ~ (esp. out ~ing). [vb f. n., f. OF *escoute* spy, eaves-dropper, (*escouter* listen f. L as AUSCULTATION)]

scout², v.t. Reject (proposal, notion) with scorn or ridicule. [cf. ON *skáta* a taunt, Sw. *skjuta* to shoot; prob. cogn. w. SHOOT]

scow, n. Kind of flat-bottomed boat. [f. Du. *schouw* ferry-boat]

scowl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Wear sullen look, look sour, frown ill-temperedly; ~ down, master or overbear (person, opposition, etc.) with ~; hence ~ingLY¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing aspect, angry frown. [cf. Du. *skude* look down]

scrabble, v.i. Scrawl, scribble, (Bibl.); scratch or grope about to find or collect something (usu. about). [f. Du. *scrabbelen* dim. of *scrabben* SCRAPE]

scrag, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Lean skinny

person, animal, plant, etc.; bony part of animal's carcass as food, || esp. neck of mutton or inferior part of it; (sl.) person's neck; hence ~g¹Y¹ (-gi) a., ~g¹LY¹ adv., ~g¹INESS n., (-gi-). 2. v.t. Put to death by hanging, garotte, wring neck of, (sl.); (Footb.) tackle by the neck; (school sl.) squeeze neck of with arm by way of torture. [prob. f. obs. (& Sc.) *crag* neck (cf. Du. *kraag*, G *kragen*) with acquired s-]

***scrām**, int. (sl.). Be off! [f. foll.]

scrām¹ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make way as best one can over steep or rough ground by clambering, crawling, etc.; ~ the part in physical or other struggle to secure as much as possible of something from competitors (usu. for; ~ for pennies, of children etc. among whom coin is thrown; ~ for place, wealth, a living); throw (coins etc.) to be ~d for; cook (eggs) by breaking into pan with butter, milk, etc., stirring slightly, & heating; hence **scrām**¹blingLY¹ adv. 2. n. Climb or walk over rough ground etc.; eager struggle or competition for or for something. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

scrān, n. (sl.). Food, eatables, broken victuals; bad ~ to ~! (Anglo-Br.), bad luck to ~. [?]

|| **scrānn**¹el, a. (arch.). (Of sound) weak, reedy, feeble, (chiefly w. allus. to Milton, *Lycidas* 124). [cf. Norw. *skran* thin, lean, dry]

scrānn²y, ***scrawn**²y, a. (chiefly dial.). Lean, scraggy. [cf. prec.]

scrāp¹, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Small detached piece of something, fragment, remnant, (pl.) odds & ends, useless remains, whence ~pY¹ a., ~pLY¹ adv., ~pINESS n.; picture, paragraph, etc., cut from book or newspaper for keeping in a collection (~book, for pasting these into); ~ of paper, negligible promise etc. (w. ref. to violation of Belgian neutrality 1914); (collect.) rubbish, waste material, clippings etc. of metal collected for reworking (also ~iron, ~metal), (~heap, collection of waste stuff, also fig.; ~heap policy, practice of discarding promptly what is past its prime); (sing. or pl.) residuum of melted fat or of fish with the oil expressed (~cake, compressed fish ~). 2. v.t. Consign to ~-heap, condemn (ships, supplies, etc.) as past use, discard. [f. ON *skrap* (SCRAPE)]

scrāp², n., & v.i. (sl.; -pp-). 1. Fight, scrimmage, esp. of unpremeditated kind (had a bit of a ~ with). 2. v.i. Have a ~. [?]

scrape, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Level surface of, clear of projections, abrade, smooth, polish, shave, or graze, by drawing sharp or angular edge breadthwise over or by causing to pass over such edge (~ ship's bottom, clear of barnacles etc.; ~ one's chin, shave; ~ one's boots, remove dirt from soles by drawing over scraper; ~

one's plate, leave no food on; *skip ~d her side, paint, against the pier; ~ away, reduce by scraping; ~ down, ~ away, also ~ all over, & see below*. 2. Take (projection, stain, etc.) *off, out, or away, by scraping (~ off the paint)*. 3. Excavate (hollow) *by scraping (often out)*. 4. Draw along with scraping sound, produce such sound from, emit such sound, (*~ one's feet, in restlessness or to drown speaker's voice, also ~ abs., esp. = draw back foot in making clumsy formal bow; ~ down, silence by scraping feet; ~ bow across fiddle-strings, ~ fiddle, also ~ abs., = play fiddle etc.; branches scraping against the window*). 5. Pass along something so as to graze or be grazed by it or just avoid doing so (*~d against, along, the wall; ~ through adv. or prep., get through with a squeeze or narrow shave, often fig. of passing examination etc.*). 6. Amass by scraping or with difficulty or by parsimony, contrive to gain, (*usu. up, together; must ~ up enough for; ~ penny, miser; ~ acquaintance with, thrust one's acquaintance on; (abs.) practise economy (work & ~ as one may)*); hence *scrap'ing*¹ (esp. 2), *scrap'ing*² (1, 2), nn. 7. n. Act or sound of scraping (*a ~ of the pen, writing of a, esp. important, word or two e.g. signature*); scraping of foot in bowing; awkward predicament esp. resulting from escapade. [*f. ON skrapa; cogn. w. OE screpan scratch*]

scrat¹, v.t. & i. n., & a. 1. Score surface of, make long narrow superficial wounds in, with nail, claw, or something more or less pointed (*threatened to ~ my face; ~ the surface of, not penetrate far into; ~ a Russian, & you find a Tartar; stones ~ed with rude letters or pictures; much ~ed with thorns*), get (some part of one) *~ed (have ~ed my hands badly)*; form (letters, representation), excavate (hole), by ~ing, scribble (*a few lines etc.*); scrape without marking esp. with nails to relieve itching (*~ one's head, esp. as sign of perplexity; ~ my back & I will ~ yours, = CLAW¹ me*), (*abs.*) ~ oneself, ~ ground etc. in search (*~ about for stray seeds, evidence, etc.*); scrape together or up; score (written words etc.) *out or through, strike off with pencil etc.*, || erase (horse's name in list of entries for race, competitor's name), withdraw (horse, candidate, or intr. for ref.) from competition; ~ along, sl., manage to live etc. 2. n. Mark or sound made by ~ing (*a ~ of the pen, signature or written order easily given*); spell of ~ing oneself; slight wound (*got off with a ~ or two*); line from which competitors in race start (*toe, come to or up to, the ~, put in appearance at right time, not shrink, often transf.; ~ race, with all on equal terms, opp. handicap; ~ man or ~, competitor in handicap receiving no start*); (pl.) horse-disease

with dry chaps above heel; (*also ~wig*) wig covering part only of head; ~*cat*, spiteful child or woman; ~*work*, graffiti decoration. 3. adj. Collected by haphazard, ~ed together, heterogeneous, (*a ~ crew, collection, team*). [*perh. mixture of ME scratle (cf. MSw. kratka scrape w. AF pref. es- ex-) with ME crache (cf. MDu. kraisen)*]

Scrat¹, n. *Old ~*, the devil. [*f. obs. scrat hermaphrodite = ON skratta goblin*]
scrat¹/₂, a. (*Of drawing etc.*) done in scratches, careless or unskilful; (*of pen*) making sound of scratching or given to catching in paper; (*of crew etc.*) of scratch character, not well matched or working well together. Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [*-y*²]

scrawl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Write (t. & i.) in hurried more or less illegible way; mark (paper etc.) *over, all over*, with bad writing or lines like writing. 2. n. Piece of bad writing, hurried note or letter. [*earlier senses, sprawl, crawl; perh. = crawl w. acquired s-*]

|| **scray**, n. Common tern, sea swallow. [*cf. W yscraen*]

scream, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Utter piercing cry expressing terror, pain, or pretence of these, (*of steam-engine etc.*) whistle or hoot shrilly; laugh uncontrollably (*usu. ~ with laughter; ~ing ~ farec, fun, etc., causing spectators to ~, intensely funny*); utter, say, in ~ing tone (*usu. out; ~ed that she did not dare jump; ~ out a curse, order, etc.*); hence ~*ingly*¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing cry or sound (*~s of pain, laughter*); (*sl.*) irresistibly comical affair; (*without article*) violent over-emphasis in style or sentiment, whence ~*y*¹ a., ~*ly*¹ adv., ~*iness* n. [*ME scremen onym. dub.*]

scream'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: kinds of bird, e.g. the swift; (*sl.*) tale etc. that raises screams of laughter, extraordinarily fine specimen of anything. [*-er*¹]

|| **scree**, n. (Mountain-slope covered with) small stones that slide down when trodden on (often pl. in same sense). [*f. ON skriða (skriða glide)*]

screech, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Scream (vb & n.) with, of, fright or pain or anger, or in harsh or uncanny tones (*usu. derog. or joc., & esp. w. ref. to disagreeable nature of sound*); ~*owl*, kinds that ~ instead of hooting, || esp. the BARN-owl. [*imit.; earlier scritch, scrike, etc.*]

screed, n. Long tiresome harangue (*esp. list of grievances*) or letter; || one of the fillets of mortar or strips of wood by which a surface to be plastered is divided into compartments. [*var. of screen*]

screen, n., & v.t. 1. Partition of wood or stone separating without completely cutting off one part of church or room from another, esp. that between nave & choir or cathedral etc. (1000-), decorated wall

enclosing court etc., façade of church. 2. Movable piece of furniture designed to shelter from excess of heat, light, draught, etc., or from observation (*fire, window, folding, etc.*, ~). 3. Any object utilized as shelter esp. from observation, expression of face or measure adopted for concealment, protection afforded by these, (*prepared the attack behind a ~ of trees; put on a ~ of indifference; a cavalry ~, cavalry thrown out to keep enemy's scouts from getting in touch with main body; under ~ of night*). 4. Board, often with wire-netting cover, on which notices are posted. 5. White surface on which moving or televised pictures or lantern slides are projected; *the ~, moving pictures collectively*. 6. Body proof against electric or magnetic induction or having property of interrupting other such physical processes. 7. Large sieve or riddle esp. for sorting coal etc. into sizes. 8. (Photog.) transparent finely-ruled plate used in process of half-tone reproduction. 9. (Cricket) one of two large movable white wood or canvas erections placed near boundary in line with wicket to assist batsman's sight of the ball. 10. v.t. Afford shelter to, hide partly or completely, (*from*; often fig. of protecting another from deserved censure etc. by taking blame upon oneself or diverting it). 11. Show (object, scene) on lantern or cinema ~. 12. Riddle (coal etc.; *~ed coal*, from which dust etc. has been removed; *~ings*, refuse separated by sifting); (fig.) sift & investigate (persons). [cf. OF *escrén* prob. f. OHG *skirm* (G *schirm*) shelter]

screeve v.i., **screev'er** n. (sl.). (Be) pavement artist. [ult. f. L *scribere* write]
screw¹ (-ð), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Cylinder with spiral ridge called the thread running round it outside (*MALE* or *exterior* ~) or inside (*FEMALE* or *interior* ~), metal male ~ with slotted head & sharp point for fastening pieces of wood together with more security than nail (also *wood-, common-,* ~) or with blunt end to receive nut & bolt things together (also ~-*bolt*), wooden or metal male or female ~ as part of appliance or machine acting as one of the MECHANICAL powers to exert pressure in various ways, (ARCHIMEDEAN ~; *endless* or *perpetual* ~, threaded revolving shaft engaging with & working cogwheel; *differential* or *Hunter's* ~, arrangement of ~s with threads of different pitch working inside each other giving great lifting-power; *left-handed* ~, advanced by turning leftwards contrary to usu. arrangement; *right-&-left* ~, cylinder with threads in opposite directions at the two ends; *interrupted* ~, with parts of thread cut away; *have, there is, a ~ loose*, phr. suggesting that something, esp. person's brain, is out of working

order; *put the ~ on*, exert pressure esp. in way of extortion or intimidation). 2. (Also ~-*propeller*) revolving shaft with spiral blades projecting from ship or airship at stern & propelling it by acting on ~ principle upon water or air. 3. (Also ~ *steamer*, abbr. *s.s.*) steamer propelled by ~ or ~s. 4. One turn of a ~ (*give it another ~*). 5. || Oblique curling motion or tendency as of billiard-ball; struck sideways. 6. || Small twisted-up paper of tobacco etc. 7. Miser, stingy or extortionate person. 8. || (sl.). Amount of salary or wages. 9. ~ *coupling*, right-&-left female ~ for joining ends of pipes or rods; ~-*cutter*, hand-tool for cutting ~s; ~-*driver*, tool like blunt chisel for turning ~s by the slot; ~-*eye*, ~ with loop for passing cord etc. through instead of slotted head; ~ *gear*, endless ~ with cogwheel or pinion; ~-*hook*, hook to hang things on with ~ at end of shank to fasten it in with; ~-*jack*, dentist's implement for regulating distance between crowded teeth, (also) carriage JACK¹ worked by ~; ~-*pile*, with ~ at lower end, & sunk by rotation; ~-*pine*, plant with leaves arranged spirally & resembling those of pineapple; ~-*plate*, metal plate for holding ~-cutting dies, also steel plate with threaded holes for making male ~s; ~-*pod*, kind of mesquit with spirally twisted pods; ~ *press*, press worked by simple ~ used esp. by printers & binders; ~-*tap*, tool for making female ~s; ~ *valve*, stop-cock opened & shut by ~, valve moved by ~; ~-*wheel*, worked by endless ~; ~-*wrench*, for turning ~s with angular head or nuts, also wrench with jaws worked by ~. 10. vb. Fasten, tighten, etc., by use of ~ or ~s (~ *up door*, make fast, esp. as practical joke at university; ~ *up person*, ~ *up his door; boards are ~ed down; his head is ~ed on the right way*, he has sense). 11. Turn (~), twist round like ~, (w. ref. to twisting pegs of fiddle; usu. *up*) make tenser or more efficient (~ *one's courage to the sticking-place, ~ up one's courage*, gather resolution; *he, the management, wants ~ing up*). 12. Put the ~ upon, press hard on, oppress. 13. Be miserly. 14. Squeeze, extort, (consent, money, etc.) *out of*. 15. Contort, distort, contract, (~ *one's face into wrinkles; ~ up one's eyes*). 16. (Of ~) revolve (~ *stiffly, to the right, etc.*). 17. (Of rolling ball, also of person etc.) take curling course, swerve; hence ~-*ABLE* (-ðə-) a. [f. OF *escro(u)* etym. dub.; cf. SCROLL]

screw² (-ð), n. Vicious, unsound, or worn-out horse. Hence ~-*Y*² (-ðɔɪ) a. (also, sl., slightly crazy, having a screw loose). [perh. f. prec.]

screwed (-ðɪd), a. (sl.). Drunk, drunken. [prob. f. **SCREW**¹, -ED¹]
scriba'cious (-ʃʊəs), a. (rare). Given to writing. [f. L *scribere* write, -ACIOUS]

scrib'ble¹, v.t. & i. & n. 1. Write (t. & i.) hurriedly or carelessly in regard either to handwriting or composition; be a journalist or author (w. implication, often mock-modest, of inferiority), write poetry etc., whence **scribb'ler**¹ [-ER¹] n.; || *scribbling-paper*, -*diary*, for casual jottings; hence ~MENT n. (rare). 2. n. Careless handwriting or thing written in it, scrawl, hasty note, etc. [f. med. L *scribillare* dim. of L *scribere* write]

scrib'ble², v.t. Card (wool, cotton) coarsely, pass through scribbling-machine or **scribb'ler**² [-ER¹] n. [prob. f. LG, cf. Sw. *skrabbla*; cogn. w. SCRUB²]

scribe, n., & v.t. 1. Person who writes or can write (rare; *am no great ~*, do not write well). 2. (Bibl.) ancient-Jewish maker & keeper of records etc., also Jewish theologian & jurist of type prevalent in time of Christ; hence **scrib'AL** a. 3. (Also ~awl) pointed instrument for marking lines on wood, bricks, etc., to guide saw etc., or writing words on barrel etc. 4. v.t. Mark with ~; *scribing-compass*, for scratching circles etc.; *scribing-iron*, **scrib'ER** n., = (sense 3). [vb f. n., f. L *scriba* (*scribere* write)]

scrim, n. Lining-cloth in upholstery etc. [?]

scrimm'age, **scrū**-, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Tussle, confused struggle, row, brawl, skirmish, (usu. *scri-*). 2. (Rugby footb.; usu. *scru-*; also abbr. *scrum*) tight mass of all the forwards with ball on ground in middle; *scrum half*, the half-back who puts the ball into the scrum. 3. vb. Engage in a ~; put (ball) in a ~. [varr. of SKIRMISH]

scrimp, v.t. & i. Skimp. Hence **scrim'py**¹ a. [f. 18th c. only; cf. SHRIMP]

|| **scrim'shank**, v.i. (mil. sl.). Shirk duty. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. 1890; etym. dub.]

scrim'shaw, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Adorn (shells, ivory, etc.), adorn shells etc., with carved or coloured designs (as sailors' amusement at sea). 2. n. Piece of such work. [perh. f. person's name]

scrin'ium, n. (Rom. Ant.; pl. -ia). Cylindrical or other box for rolled MSS. [L, see SHRINE]

|| **scrip**¹, n. (arch.). Beggar's or traveller's or pilgrim's wallet, satchel. [prob. f. OF *escrepe*; cf. SCARF¹]

scrip², n. Provisional certificate of money subscribed to bank or company entitling holder to formal certificate in due time & to dividends etc.; (collect.) such certificates. [abbr., = (sub)scription receipt]

script, n. 1. (Law) original document (opp. *copy*). 2. Handwriting, written characters (opp. *print*); printed cursive characters, imitation of handwriting in type. 3. Text of broadcaster's announcement or talk; typescript of film-play. 4. || Examinee's written answer. [f. L *scriptum* thing written (*scribere* script- write)]

scriptō'rium, n. (pl. -a, -ia). Room set apart for writing esp. in monastery. [med. L (prec., -ORY)]

scrip'tural (-chōō-), a. Founded on, reconcilable with, laying stress on, appealing to, doctrines contained in the Bible, whence ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn.; of, taken from, the Bible (rare; usu. now *scripture* attrib.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [foll., -AL]

scrip'ture, n. 1. The Bible with or without the Apocrypha (usu. without article; also *Holy S~* or *the S~s*; a doctrine not found in *S~* or *the S~s*); or the quotation from the Bible; (attrib.) taken from or relating to the Bible (a ~ *text*, *lesson*; cf. SCRIPTURAL). 2. Sacred book of non-Christian community. 3. (arch.). || Inscription. 4. ~reader, person employed to read the Bible to the poor in their homes. [f. L *scriptura* (SCRIPT, -URE)]

scriv'ener, n. (hist.). Writer, drafter of documents, notary, broker, money-lender; (in mod. use) ~'s *palsy*, WRITER'S cramp. [f. OF *escrivain* f. LL *scribanus* (SCRIBE, -AN) + -ER¹]

scrobic'ulate, -āted, aa. (bot., zool.). Pitted, furrowed. [LL *scrobiculus* (*scrobis* ditch, -CULE), -ATE²]

scrōf'ula, n. Morbid constitutional condition with glandular swellings & tendency to consumption. Hence ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n. [med. L sing. f. LL *scrofulae* scrofulous swelling, orig. dim. of *scrofa* a sow]

scrōll, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Roll of parchment or paper, book or volume of the ancient roll form; (arch.) schedule or list. 2. Ornamental design esp. in architecture carved or drawn or otherwise made to imitate ~ of parchment more or less exactly, volute of Ionic capital or of chair etc., head of fiddle, flourish in writing, ribbon bearing heraldic motto, etc. 3. Any tracery of spiral or flowing lines. 4. ~bone, turblinated; ~gear, with ~wheel; ~head, volute at ship's bow; ~lathe, for spiral work; ~saw, fressaw; ~wheel, cogwheel in shape of disk with cogs in spiral lines on one side causing variation of pace according as outer or inner parts are in action; ~work, ornament of spiral lines esp. as cut by ~saw. 5. vb. Curl up (t. & i.; rare) like paper; adorn with ~s (chiefly in p.p.). [earlier *scrool* dim. of ME *scrowe* f. OF *escro(u)e* (cf. SCREW¹) f. Teut.; cogn. w. SHRED]

scrōōp, n., & v.i. (Make) grating noise. [imit.]

scrōt'ium, n. (pl. ~a). Bag containing testicles. Hence ~AL a., ~IT'S, ~OOLM, nn. [L]

scrounge (-j), v.i. & t. (sl.). appropriate things, cadge; acquire thus. Hence **scroun'gem**¹ (-j-) n. [?]

scrūb¹, n. (Ground covered with) brash-wood or stunted forest growth; worn

er short-bristled brush or moustache; stunted or insignificant person, animal, or plant; ~oak, American dwarf kinds. Hence ~b'y¹ a., ~b'iness a. [var. of **stubs**¹]

scrub¹, v.t. & i. (-bb-), & n. 1. Rub hard to clean or brighten esp. with soap & water applied with ~bing-brush; use such brush (*would rather ~ for my living*); eliminate, or extract for use, certain components from (coal-gas); hence ~b'ing¹ (esp., apparatus for ~ing gas), ~b'ing¹, nn. 2. n. ~bing or being ~bed (*give it, he wants, a good ~*). 3. * (colloq.). Player not belonging to regular team; second or weaker team; game of baseball with less than full complement of players; also attrib., as ~team. (perh. f. MDu. *scrubben* imported as naut. term)

scrubb'er, n. In vbl senses: also, apparatus for purifying coal-gas from ammonia & tar by spraying with water. [-xx¹(1, 2)]

scruff, n. Back of the neck as used to grasp & lift or drag animal or person by (*take by the ~ of the neck*). [corrupt. of **scuff**¹]

scrum(mage). See **scrummage**.

scrump'tious (-shus), a. (sl.). Delightful, delicious, first-rate. [arbitrary; cf. **golphious**]

scrunch. = **CRUNCH**. [-s- as in **scrag** etc.]

scruple (-ô-), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Weight-unit (in apothecaries' wt.) of 20 grains; very small quantity (arch.); feeling of doubt or hesitation on grounds of morality or propriety about acting or approving of action, conscientious objection, (*make no ~ to do*, *do without such hesitation or with easy conscience*; *have ~s about doing*; *man of no ~s*, unscrupulous; *did it without ~*). 2. vb. Feel or be influenced by ~s (rare); be deterred from or hindered in (doing or n. of action; arch.; *would ~ lying or a lie* by ~s; *hesitate owing to ~s to do* (esp. w. neg.; *does not ~ to say*). [vb f. n., f. F *scrupule* f. L *scrupulus* (scrupus sharp stone, -ulus)]

scrupulous (-ôp-), a. Careful to offend in nothing, conscientious even in small matters, not neglectful of details, punctilious, marked by extreme thoroughness, unflinching, (~ persons; ~ honesty, cleanliness, care, methods, respect, attention, etc.); over-attentive to details, esp. to small points of conscience, whence **scrupulous'ity** (-ôp-) n. Hence ~ly¹ adv., ~ness n. [f. F *scrupuleux* f. L *scrupulosus* (prec., -ôss¹)]

scrutator (-ô-), n. Person given to scrutiny (chiefly as signature to newspaper letters etc.). [L (**scrutiny**, -ô-)]

scrutin (skrütän'), n. ~ *darrondissement, de liste*, (därwüdesmah', de lönt'), contrasted methods by which voter votes for one or more representatives of small district only, or for large number representing wide area. [F]

scrutineer¹ (-ô-), n. Person examining ballot papers for irregularities. [**SCRUTINY**, -ERY]

scrutinize (-ô-), v.t. Look closely at, examine in detail. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [coll., -ize]

scrutiný (-ô-), n. Critical gaze, close investigation, examination into details; official examination of votes cast in election to test their validity when closeness of contest or suspicion of irregularity makes it desirable (*demand a ~*). [f. LL *scrutinium* (scrutari search f. *scruta* broken pieces)]

scrý, v.i. Use the crystal in **CRYSTAL-gazing**. Hence ~er¹ n. [= (DE) **scrý**]

scud, v.i. (-dd-), & n. 1. Run or fly straight & fast esp. with smooth or easy motion, skim along; (Naut.) run before the wind. 2. n. Spell of ~ding; vapoury driving clouds. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

scü'dô (or -ô-), n. (pl. -di pr. -dô). Old Italian silver coin of about 4/- [It., f. L *scutum* shield]

scuff¹, v.i. Walk with dragging feet, shuffle with the feet. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

scuff², n. Nape (now usu. *scruff*). [also *scuft*, *scuft*, etym. dub.]

scuffle, v.i., & n. (Engage in) confused struggle in which disputants chiefly push each other about, disorderly fight. [prob. of Scand. orig. & cogn. w. *shove*, *shuffle*]

scüß, n. (schoolsl.). Person lacking spirit, sociability, manners, sportsmanship, etc. [?]

scull, n., & v.t. & i. 1. One of pair of small oars used by single rower each with one hand; oar resting in nick on boat's stern & worked with twisting strokes to propel like ship's screw. 2. vb. Propel (boat), propel boat, with ~s. [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

scüll'er, n. User of scull(s); boat intended for sculling. [-xx¹]

scüll'ery, n. Back kitchen, room for washing up dishes etc. [f. OF *escuelerie* f. L *scutella* (SCUTTLE¹) + -ERY]

scüll'ion (-yon), n. (arch., poet., rhet.). Cook's boy, washer of dishes & pots. [perh. assim. to prec. of F *scutillon* scullion, orig. dirty fellow (as **SOIL**¹)]

scülp, v.t. (Colloq. for) **SCULPTURE**. [f. L *sculpere*; now regarded as abbr.]

scü'pin, n. Kinds of small American sea-fish with large spiny head. (perh. corrupt. of obs. *scorpene* f. L f. Gk *skorpaina* a fish)

scülp'it, **scülp'er's't**, (abbr. ac. or *sculps*), v. sing. & pl. 3rd pers. (So-&-en carved or sculptured or engraved (this work; used with artist's signature). [L, see **SCULPTURE**]

scülp'tor, n. One who sculps. Hence ~ness¹ n. [f. (coll., -or¹)]

scülp'ture, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Art of forming representations of objects in the

round or in relief by chiselling stone, carving wood, modelling clay, casting metal, or similar processes; a work of ~e; (Zool., Bot.) raised or sunk markings on shell etc.; hence ~AL, ~ESQUE (-'esk'), aa., ~ALY² adv., (-cher-). 2. vb. Represent in ~e; adorn with ~e; be a sculptor, do ~e; (p.p., Zool. & Bot.) having ~e. [vb f. n., f. L *sculptura* (sculpte sculpt-, perf. *sculpsi*, -URE)]

scüm, n., & v.t. & i. (-mm-). 1. Impurities that rise to surface of liquid esp. in boiling or fermentation, floating film; (fig.) worst part, refuse, offscouring, (of); hence ~m^y a. 2. vb. Take ~ from, skim; be or form a ~ on; (of liquid) develop ~. [Teut. (cf. G *schaum*, Da. *skum*) perh. thr. OF *escume*; see also SKIM]

scüm'ble, v.t., & n. 1. Soften (oil-painting) by covering with very thin coat of opaque colour. 2. n. Softening of tints produced. [prec., -LE(3)]

scün'cheon (-chn), n. Stones or arches across angles of square tower supporting alternate sides of octagonal spire. [f. OF *escotinson* (EX-, COIN²)]

|| **scünn'er**, n., & v.t. & i. (Sc.). 1. Strong dislike (esp. take a ~ at, against), object of loathing. 2. vb. Sicken, disgust; feel sick, be nauseated. [?]

scüpp'er¹, n. Hole in ship's side to carry off water from deck. [perh. f. SCOOP vb + -ER¹]

|| **scüpp'er²**, v.t. (sl.). Surprise & massacre, sink (ship, crew), do for. [perh. f. prec.]

scürf, n. Flakes on surface of skin cast off as fresh skin develops below, esp. those of head (also *dandruff*); any scaly matter on a surface. Hence ~Y² a., ~INESS n. [OE, cogn. w. *sceorfan* scarify, cf. Sw. *score*]

scü'rri'lous, (arch.) scü'rri'l(e), aa. Grossly or obscenely abusive (of person or language), given to or expressed with low buffoonery. Hence or cogn. ~OUSLY² adv., ~ITY (-il'-) n. [f. obs. *scurrl* f. L *scurritus* (scurra buffoon), -OUS]

scü'rry, v.i., & n. 1. Run hurriedly esp. with short quick steps, scamper, (the ~ing mice). 2. n. Act or sound of ~ing; short fast horse-race (*polo*~, race for polo-ponies). [perh. shortened f. *hurry-scurry* redupl. of *hurry*]

scü'rv'y, a. & n. 1. Paltry, low, mean, dishonourable, contemptible, (a ~y trick, fellow); hence ~ILY² adv. 2. n. Deficiency disease with swollen gums, livid spots, & prostration, attacking sailors & any who feed on salt meat & lack vegetables; ~y-grass (corrupt. of -cress), plant of mustard family used against ~y; hence ~IED² (-vid) a. [a. (expressing pitiful state) f. adj. orig. -scurvy (SCURV, -Y²)]

scüt, n. Short tail esp. of hare, rabbit, or deer. [etym. dub.; cf. Icel. *skott* fox's tail]

scüt'age, n. (hist.). Money paid by feudal landowner in lieu of personal service. [f. med. L *scutagium* (*scutum* shield, -AGE)]

scütch, v.t., & n. 1. Dress (fibrous material, esp. retted flax) by beating; ~blade, ~ing-sword, ~ER¹(2) n., implements for ~ing flax. 2. n. ~er; coarse tow separated in ~ing flax. [perh. f. OF *escousser* f. L EX(*cutere* cuss- = *quater* quass-shake)]

scütch'eon (-chon), n. = ESCUTCHERON; pivoted cover of keyhole; plate for name or inscription. [short for ESCUTCHERON]

scute. See SCUTUM.

scütell'um, n. (nat. hist.; pl. ~a). Small shield, plate, or scale, in plants, insects, birds, etc., esp. one of the horny scales on birds' feet. Hence scüt'ellate², ~AR¹, aa., ~A'TION n. [mod. L, dim. of SCUTUM]

| **scütt'er**, v.i., & n. Scurry. [var. of SCUTTLE²]

scüt'tle¹, n. (Usu. coal-~) metal or other vessel in which small supply of coal esp. for single fireplace is brought & kept. [OE *scutel* dish f. L *scutella* salver, dim. of *scutra* tray]

scüt'tle², n., & v.t. 1. Hole with lid in wall or roof of house or ship's deck, side, or hatchway-covering; section of motor-car connecting bonnet and body; ~butt, ~cask, water-butt usu. on deck with hole in top for dipping from. 2. v.t. Make hole(s) in (ship), open sea-cocks of (ship), esp. for purpose of sinking. [cf. F *escoutille*, Sp. *escotilla*, hatchway; perh. all f. Du. *schutten* to shut]

scüt'tle³, v.i., & n. 1. Hurry along, scurry, run away, make off, fly from danger or difficulty. 2. n. Hurried gait, precipitate flight or departure. [earlier also *scuddle*, f. SCUD, -LE(3)]

scüt'um, n. (pl. ~a). (Rom. Ant.) legionary's shield of oblong, oval, or semi-cylindrical shape; (Anat.) knee-pan; (Zool. etc.; also *scute*) shieldlike plate or scale, piece of bony armour in crocodile, sturgeon, turtle, armadillo, etc., whence ~AL, ~ATE², aa. Hence ~IROM a. [L, cogn. w. Gk *skutos* hide, SKY, SOUM, etc.]

Scyll'a, n. ~ & *Charibdis*, six-headed monster living on a rock, & whirlpool, so placed on opposite sides of Straits of Messina that it was hard to steer clear of one without being caught by the other (see Homer, *Od.* xii).

scýph'us, n. (pl. ~i). (Gk Ant.) footless drinking-cup with two handles not higher than rim; (Bot.) cup-shaped part as in narcissus flower or in *Hichens*, whence ~OSE¹ a. Hence ~IROM a. [L, f. Gk *skuphos*]

scythe (sidh), n., & v.t. 1. Mowing & reaping implement of long slightly curved blade swung over ground by um. crooked pole about 5 ft long with two short handles projecting at right

it; blade continuing axle of ancient chariot at each end, whence *scythian*^a (-dh) a. 2. v.t. Cut with ~. [OE *sithe*, cf. Du. *seis*, ON *sigðr*; cogn. w. L *secare* out, SICKLE]

Scyth'ian (sīd-, -th-), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of ancient Scythia, the region north of the Black Sea; =TURANIAN. [L f. Gk *Skuthia* (*Skuthēs* a.), -AN]

|| 'sdeath (sðēth), int. (arch.) expressing anger, surprise, etc. [short for *God's death*]

se-, L pref. = apart, without.

sea, n. 1. Expanse of salt water that covers most of earth's surface & encloses its continents & islands, the ocean, any part of this as opposed to dry land or fresh water, (by ~ & land; at the bottom of the ~; jumped into the ~; on the ~, in ship etc., also situated on ~shore; go to ~, become sailor; follow the ~, be sailor; put to ~, leave port or land; arm of the ~, deep gulf; at ~, away from & esp. out of sight of land, also fig. = perplexed, not knowing conditions etc. or what to do; between DEVIL¹ & deep ~; as good FISH¹ in the ~; when the ~ gives up its dead, at the resurrection; also pl. in same sense, as beyond, over, ~ or ~s, to or in countries separated by ~; the high ~s, the open ~ outside the three-mile limit to which nearest country's jurisdiction extends; mistress of the ~ or ~s, chief naval power at any time). 2. Particular tract of ~ partly or sometimes wholly enclosed by land & usu. distinguished by special name (the North, Mediterranean, Caspian, Dead, Sea; inland ~, entirely landlocked as the Caspian, also rarely of great freshwater lakes; closed ~, = MARE¹ clausum; the seven ~s, Arctic, Antarctic, N. & S. Pacific, N. & S. Atlantic, & Indian, Oceans; || the four ~s, those enclosing Great Britain). 3. Local motion or state of the ~, swell, great billow, (a heavy ~, with great waves; ~s mountains high; (of boat etc.) ship a ~, be flooded by a wave; long ~, with long regular waves; short ~, choppy & irregularly agitated; ~ like looking-glass or sheet of glass, quite smooth; half ~s over, having drunk too much). 4. Vast quantity or expanse of (a ~ of troubles, care, flame, upturned faces; also pl., as ~s of blood, ruthless bloodshed). 5. (Bibl.) brazen or molten ~, = LAVER¹. 6. (attrib. & in comb.). Living or used in or on, of, near, like, the ~ (often prefixed to name of animal, fruit, etc., to form name of marine thing with merely superficial resemblance to what it is named after, as ~ canary, cucumber, fox, raven, below); ~ acorn, barnacle; ~ air, air at ~side esp. as recommended for invalids etc.; ~ anchor, DRAG¹ anchor; ~ angel, ANGEL-fish; ~ arrow, squid; ~ asparagus, kind of soft crab; ~ barrow, skate's egg-case;

~ bathing, in ~; ~ bear, polar bear, also kind of fur-seal; ~ bells, ~shore bindweed; ~ bell, sweet fucus, a ~weed with beltlike fronds; ~ board, ~shore, coast region, line of coast; ~ boat, ship etc. of specified ~going qualities (is a good, bad, etc., ~boat), boat which can be lowered quickly in an emergency at ~; ~ born, born of the ~ (poet., esp. of Aphrodite); ~ borne, conveyed by ~ (~borne commerce, goods); ~ bow, rainbow effect in ~spray; ~ breeze, blowing landward from ~ esp. during day in alternation with land-breeze at night; ~ breeze, any breeze at ~; ~ calf, common seal; ~ canary, white whale (from its whistling); ~ captain, (poet., rhet.) great sailor or commander at ~, (in ord. use, chiefly where army-captain is to be excluded) past or present captain of ship in navy or merchant service; ~ change, transformation (w. ref. to *Tempest* I. II. 400); ~ chestnut, ~urchin; ~ cloth, used in theatre to represent shore; || ~ coal, arch., coal (orig. of coal brought from Newcastle by ~, opp. charcoal etc.); ~ coast; ~ cock, kinds of bird & fish, also valve by which ~water can be let into ship's interior; ~ colander, brown ~weed with fronds perforated like colander; ~ cook, naut. term of abuse; ~ cow, sirenian, also walrus; ~ crow, kind of gull; ~ cucumber, any holothurian, esp. *bêche-de-mer*; ~ devil, kinds of fish; ~ dog, kinds of seal, also dogfish, also old sailor (esp. of the Elizabethan ~captains), & see ~dog¹; ~ eagle, kinds of fishing eagle, also osprey; ~ ear, ormer; ~ elephant, large kind of seal with proboscis; ~ fan, kind of coral; ~ faring a. & n., traversing the ~ esp. habitually (~faring man, sailor), so ~farer¹ n. (rare); ~ fennel, samphire; ~ fight, between warships; ~ flower, ~ anemone; ~ fog, caused by difference of land & ~ temperature & extending only short way inland; ~ fowl; ~ fox, long-tailed shark; ~ front, part of town facing ~; ~ furbelow, kinds of brown ~weed; ~ gauge, ship's draught, also kind of sounding-instrument; ~ gherkin, ~ cucumber; ~ gillflower, ~ pink; ~ girl, surrounded by ~ (poet., rhet., of island etc.); ~ god(dess); ~ going, (of ship) for crossing ~, not coasting, (of person) ~faring; ~ grape, shrub allied to fig, also gulf-weed, also (pl.) cuttlefish eggs; ~ green a. & n., (of) bluish green as of ~; ~ grill; ~ hedgehog, ~ urchin; ~ hog, porpoise; ~ horse, creature harnessed to ~god's chariot having horse's head & fish's tail, also walrus, also hippocampus; ~ island cotton, fine quality of long-stapled cotton originally grown on islands off Georgia and S. Carolina; ~ kale, kind of perennial with young shoots used as table vegetable; ~ kidney, kidney-shaped polypidom; ~ king, medi-

oval Scandinavian pirate chief; ~ *lace*, kind of ~weed with long cordlike fronds; ~ *lawyer*, (naut. term of contempt for) captious person; ~ *legs*, ability to walk on deck of rolling ship (*has not yet got his ~legs*); ~ *lemon*, a yellow oval mollusc; ~ *leopard*, kinds of spotted seal; ~ *letter*, official protective letter carried by neutral ship in war-time, describing her cargo, crew, etc.; ~ *level*, level continuous with that of ~ halfway between high & low water (also *mean ~ level*) as used in reckoning height of hills etc. & for barometric standard (*corrected to ~ level*); ~ *lily*, crinoid; ~ *line*, horizon at ~; ~ *lion*, kinds of large eared seal, esp. one with mane; || *Sea Lord*, naval member of the Board of Admiralty; ~ *man* (pl. ~ *men*), sailor, (Nav.) rating of executive or upper-deck branch (ABLE-bodied ~ *man*; ordinary ~ *man*, below rating of A.B.), person expert in the practice of nautical matters, whence ~ *MANLINE*, ~ *MANLY*¹, aa., ~ *MANSHIP*(3) n.; ~ *mark*, beacon, lighthouse, etc., or elevated conspicuous object, used to direct course at ~; ~ *mal*, polyzoan forming flat matted coralline; ~ *melon*, kind of holothurian; ~ *mew*, gull; ~ *mile*, geographical MILE; ~ *monster*, any huge, terrible, or strange ~ animal; ~ *moss*, mosslike polyzoan or ~weed; ~ *mouse*, an iridescent ~worm; ~ *mud*, saline deposit of salt marshes etc. used as manure; ~ *necklace*, string of whelk egg-cases; ~ *needle*, garfish; ~ *nettle*, jellyfish; ~ *nymph*; ~ *oak*, kind of ~weed; ~ *ooze*, ~ *mud*; ~ *orange*, globose orange-coloured holothurian; ~ *orb*, globe-fish; ~ *otter*, kind with very valuable fur; ~ *owl*, = LUMP²; ~ *ox*, walrus; ~ *pad*, starfish; ~ *parrot*, puffin; ~ *pass*, neutral ship's passport in time of war; ~ *pay*, for active service at ~; ~ *peach*, *pear*, kinds of ascidium; ~ *pen*, feather-shaped polyp; ~ *pie*, sailors' pie of salt meat etc., || also a shore-bird, the oyster-catcher; ~ *piece*, picture of scene at ~; ~ *pi'et*, ~ *pie* (bird); ~ *pig*, porpoise, also dugong; ~ *pike*, garfish, hake, & other fish; ~ *pilot*, ~ *pie* (bird); ~ *pincushion*, skate's egg-case; ~ *pink*, common coast-flower, thrift; ~ *plane*, aeroplane constructed for rising from & alighting on water; ~ *poacher*, a small fish; ~ *port*, town with harbour; ~ *power*, ability to control and make successful use of the ~; ~ *pumpkin*, ~ *melon*; ~ *purse*, skate's egg-case; ~ *raven*, sculpin; ~ *robin*, red gurnard; ~ *room*, clear space at ~ allowing ship to turn etc.; ~ *rover*, pirate or piratical ship; ~ *salt*, got by evaporating ~water; ~ *scape*, ~ *piece*; ~ *scouts*, maritime auxiliary to boy scout's; ~ *serpent*, kinds of snake living in ~, also (*the ~ serpent*) enormous serpentine ~ monster occasionally reported as seen but disbelieved in by naturalists; ~

shore', land close to ~, (Law) space between high & low water marks; ~ *sick*, vomiting or inclined to vomit from motion of ship etc., whence ~ *SICKNESS* n.; || ~ *side'*, places or some unspecified place close to ~ as permanent or esp. as holiday residence (*do you like the ~side?*; *must go to the ~side*); ~ *sleeve*, cuttlefish; ~ *snail*, small slimy fish, the unctuous sucker, also periwinkle or similar shellfish; ~ *snipe*, the dunlin, also the snipe-fish; ~ *squirt*, any ascidium; ~ *strawberry*, kind of polyp; ~ *sunflower*, ~ *anemone*; ~ *swallow*, tern; ~ *tangle*, kinds of ~weed; ~ *toad*, the angler; ~ *urchin*, echinus; ~ *wall*, wall or embankment made to check encroachment of ~; ~ *ware*, ~weed collected for manure or other uses; ~ *water*; ~ *way*, ship's progress, also place where ship lies in open water (*in a ~way*); ~ *weed*, any alga or other plant growing in ~; ~ *whip*, whip-shaped coral; ~ *whipcord*, kind of ~weed; ~ *wife*, fish allied to wrasse; ~ *wind*, = ~ *breeze*; ~ *wing*, a bivalve mollusc; ~ *withwind*, ~ *bells*; ~ *wolf*, ~ *elephant*, also kinds of fish, also viking or pirate; ~ *worthy*, (of ship) in fit state to put to ~, strong & well rigged etc., whence ~ *WORTHINESS* n. Hence ~ *WARD* a., adv., & n., ~ *WARDS* (-s) adv. [OE *sē*, cf. Du. *zee*, G *see*]

seal¹, n., & v. 1. Kinds of carnivorous amphibious marine mammal with short limbs modified to serve chiefly for swimming but having fur or hair & beastlike face, feeding on fish & hunted for their oil & skin & the valuable fur of some species (*eared ~* or *otary*, kinds distinguished from *common ~* by having visible external ears, & including the larger kinds, as sea bear, sea lion, sea elephant, & the fur ~s); = ~ *skin*; ~ *fishery* or ~ *MEY* n.; ~ *rookery*, ~ *s'* breeding-place; ~ *skin*, skin of ~, or usu. prepared fur of ~s as material for women's jackets etc., jacket of this. 2. v. 1. Hunt ~s. [OE *sealh*, cf. ON *seir*, Da. *seil*]

seal², n., & v. 1. Piece of wax, lead, or other such material, impressed with device & attached in some way to document usu. in addition to signature as guarantee of authenticity (*given under my hand & ~*, signed & ~ed by me; *set one's ~ to*, authorize or confirm) or to envelope or to any receptacle such as box or room or house to prevent its being opened without knowledge of owner etc. (*leaden ~*, stamped piece of lead holding ends of a wire used as fastening; *under ~ of confession, confidence, silence*, etc., fig. of communications for which secrecy is stipulated or obligatory); impression stamped on or paper disk stuck to document as symbol equivalent to wax ~. 2. (fig.). Significant or prophetic mark (*has the ~ of death in his face*). 3. Gem,

piece of metal, etc., serving as stamp to produce ~ on wax etc. or paper (~ring, finger-ring with ~; || *the ~s*, those held during tenure of office by Lord Chancellor or Secretary of State; || *Great S~*, ~ in charge of Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper used in ~ing Parliament-writs, treaties, & important State papers; || *PRIVY S~*; *Fisher's S~*, papal ~ with St Peter fishing as device). 4. Act done, thing given, event regarded, as confirmation or guarantee of (~ of love, kiss, birth of child, etc.; *baptism & the Lord's Supper are ~s of God's covenant with us*). 5. Substance used to close aperture etc., esp. water standing in drain-trap to prevent ascent of foul air (~pipe, DIP²-pipe). 6. ~wort, SOLOMON'S ~. 7. v.t. Affix ~ to, stamp or fasten with ~, certify as correct with ~ or stamp (*S~ed Book*, one of perfect copies of Book of Common Prayer certified by Great S~ under Charles II); show genuineness of (devotion etc.) *with one's life* etc. 8. Close securely or hermetically, stop up or up, (*my lips are ~ed*, I must not speak; *sleep ~ed his eyes*; *is a ~ed book to me*, is something of which I have & can get no knowledge; *windones must be ~ed up*, e.g. by pasting paper along all crevices; ~ up tin, solder it so that air has no access; ~ pipe etc., provide it with water-~ by means of trap etc.). 9. Set significant mark on, set apart, destine, decide irrevocably, (*death has ~ed her for his own*; *is ~ed to or for salvation, damnation*, etc.; *his fate is ~ed*); (of Admiralty etc.) officially adopt (design); || ~ed pattern, standard pattern of equipment, clothing, etc., approved for issue by the Admiralty etc. (also fig.). 10. Confine securely (often up); fix (staple etc.) into wall etc. with cement etc. 11. ~ing-wax, mixture of shellac & rosin with turpentine & pigment used for ~s. [vb f. n., f. OF *seel* f. L *sigillum* see SIGILLATE]

seal'er, n. In vbl senses of SEAL¹, 2; esp., ship or man engaged in seal-hunting. [-EA¹]

Seal'yham (-lham), n. ~ (terrier), a breed of terrier. [place]

seam, n., & v.t. 1. Line of junction between two edges esp. those of two pieces of cloth etc. turned back & sewn together or of boards fitted edge to edge, fissure left by gaping of parallel edges (*ship's ~s want caulking*); scar, cleatrice; line of separation between two strata; thin stratum of coal etc. between thicker strata; (Anst.) suture; ~lace, ~ing-lace; ~-presser, agricultural implement for flattening down furrow-ridges after the plough, also tailors' goose; hence ~less a. 2. v.t. Unite with ~ (rare); mark or score with ~, fissure, or scar (*shelly in p.p.*; ~ed with wounds, cracks, etc.); ~knitting make ridges in (stocking

etc.); ~ing-lace, galloon or other trimming sewn over ~s in upholstery etc. [OE *seam*, cf. Du. *zoom*, G *sawm*; cogn. w. SEW]

seam/stress, semp², (sēma-), n. Sewing-woman. [OE *seamestre* (prec., -STER)+

seam'y, a. Showing seams (~side, inside of garment etc. where turning-back of seams is visible, chiefly fig. of the less presentable or attractive aspect of life etc.). [-Y²]

Seanad Éireann (shān'adh aī'an), n. Upper Chamber of the legislature of Éire. [Ir., = senate of Ireland]

se'ance (sā-), séance (see Ap.), n. Sitting of a society or deliberative body; meeting for exhibition or investigation of spiritualistic phenomena. [F, f. L *sedere* sit]

sear¹ a. & v.t., sere a. 1. (Of leaves, flowers, etc., & fig. of age etc.) withered, dried up (*the ~, the yellow leaf*, old age). 2. v.t. Wither up, blast, (rare); scorch surface of esp. with hot iron, cauterize, brand; make callous (*a seared conscience*); searing-iron, for cauterizing. [vb f. adj., OE *sear*, cf. ODu. *sore* dry; cogn. w. Gk *aus* dry, & AUSTERE]

sear². See SERE¹.

search (sēr-), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Look or feel or go over (person or his face or pockets, receptacle, place, book) for what may be found or to find something of which presence is suspected, probe (lit. & fig.; ~ a wound, *men's hearts*); * ~ me!, int. implying that the speaker does not know (the answer to some inquiry, what to do, etc.); (of shrapnel, gunners) penetrate all recesses of (trench etc.); (arch.) look for, seek out or (still current) out; make ~ or investigation (for or abs.); (part., of examination etc.) thorough, leaving no loopholes, whence ~ingly¹ adv.; hence ~ER¹(1, 2) n., ~LESS a. (poet.). 2. n. Act of ~ing, investigation, quest, (am in ~ of, trying to find; *the ~ for or of*; *right of ~ in internat. law*, belligerent's right to stop neutral vessel & ~ it for contraband); ~light, electric arc-light with concentrated beam that can be turned in any direction for use esp. for discovering hostile aircraft, enemy movements, etc.; ~-party, persons going out to look for lost or concealed person or thing; ~-warrant, granted by justice of peace to enter premises of person suspected of concealing stolen property etc. [ME *serchen*, *cerchen*, f. OF *cherchier* (F *chercher*) f. LL *circare* go round (CIRCUS)]

search'ing (sēr-), n. In vbl senses; esp., ~s of heart, misgivings caused by guilt or otherwise. [-ING¹]

seas'on (-zn), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Proper time, favourable opportunity, time at which something is plentiful or in vogue or active, (a word in ~, advice given

when it is likely to be taken or is needed; *in ~ & out of ~*, at all times without selection; *oysters, venison, strawberries, are in ~*, to be had in good condition & without special difficulty; *the holiday ~*, any of the times when most people keep holiday, || esp. Christmas, Easter, Whitsuntide, or August; *the London, Brighton, Parisian, ~*, when society is busy or visitors many there; *London in the ~*, the theatrical, publishing, cricket, ~; *close, open, ~*, when hunting etc. of some animal is prohibited, permitted). 2. Period of indefinite or various length (*may endure for a ~*; *a ~ of inaction*; || *~ ticket*, issued at reduced rates for any number of journeys taken, performances attended, etc., within a year, six months, or other period). 3. One of the divisions of the year with distinguishable characteristics of temperature, rainfall, vegetation, etc. (*the four ~s*, spring, summer, autumn, winter, beginning astronomically each at an equinox or solstice but popularly having different dates in different countries; *the dry, rainy, ~*, two ~s recognized in the tropics instead of the four of temperate countries); hence *~AL*, *~LESS*, *aa.*, *~ALLY*² *adv.*, (-z-). 4. vb. Bring into efficient or sound condition by habitation, acclimatization, exposure, special preparation, use, or lapse of time, *inure, mature, (~ed soldiers, timber, wine)*. 5. Make palatable or piquant by introduction of salt, condiments, wit, jests, etc., give zest to, flavour, (*highly ~ed dishes; conversation ~ed with humour*), whence *~ER*¹(2), *~ING*¹(4), *nn.*, (-z-); *temper, moderate, (let mercy ~ justice)*. 6. Become fit for use by being ~ed. [vb f. n., f. OF *season*, f. L *sationem* (*screre* *salsow*, -ION) in LL *sense season*]

seasonable (-z-), a. Suitable to, of the kind usual at, the season (esp. *~le weather, frost etc. in winter*); opportune, meeting the needs of the occasion, (*~le aid, caution, etc.*); *the ~le arrival of*). Hence *~lessness* n., *~LY*¹ *adv.* [prec., n., -ABLE]

seat, n., & v.t. 1. Thing used, esp. one made, for sitting on, chair, throne, stool, bench, or other sitting-accommodation, (*the ~s are uncomfortable*), occupation of a ~ (*look his ~ on the throne, a rock; pray take a ~, sit down*), whence *~ING*¹(8) n., *~ER*¹ n. (motor-car, aeroplane, etc., with ~s for specified number). 2. Part of chair etc. on which sitter's weight directly rests, part of machine that supports another part (~ of valve, surface etc. on which it slides or works). 3. The buttocks, part of trousers etc. covering them. 4. Site or location, temporary or permanent scene, abiding-place, of (*the liver is the ~ of disease; the disease has its ~ in the liver; the ~ of war is mountainous; an ancient ~ of learning*). 5. Country mansion esp. with park or large grounds (*has a ~ in*

Norfolk; the country ~s of England). 6. Right to sitting-accommodation or to sit as member of board or esp. House of Commons (*have taken two ~s for Macbeth; has a ~ on the Board; lost his or the ~*, failed to secure re-election to Parliament). 7. Manner of sitting horse, bicycle, etc. (*has a good, firm, graceful, ~*); hence *~LESS* a. 8. v.t. Make sit, place oneself in sitting posture, (p.p.) sitting, (*took up the child & ~ed him on the bookcase; ~ candidate, elect him to Parliament; ~ed himself in state; found him ~ed on a reversed bucket; pray be ~ed, sit down*). 9. Fit or provide (church, room, etc.) with ~s (*is ~ed for \$600; (of room etc.) have ~s for (number)*). 10. Mend ~ of (chair, trousers). 11. Establish in position, fix in particular place (~ *machinery*, put it on its supports; *a deep ~ed disease; the Turks ~ed themselves on the Bosphorus*). [vb f. n., f. ON *sæti*, cogn. w. RST]

sébā'ceous (-shus), a. Of tallow or fat, fatty, (~ *gland, follicle, duct*, secreting or conveying oily matter or ~ *humour* to lubricate hair & skin). [L *sebaceus* (*sebum* tallow), -OUS]

sébēs'tan, -en, n. Plumlike fruit of the tree *Cordia Myxa*, used medicinally in the East & formerly in Europe. [Arab. *sebastān*]

sec, a. (Of wine) dry. [F]

sec'ant, a. & n. (math.). 1. Cutting. 2. n. ~ line, esp. radius of circle produced through end of arc to meet tangent to other end, ratio of this to radius, ~ of angle, ratio of greater to less of its containing lines as bounded by a perpendicular to other (abbr. *sec*; *sec 60° = 2*). [L *secare* cut, -ANT]

secateur (sək'atér), n. Pair of pruning clippers. [F, irreg. f. L *secare* cut]

sec'le, n. Tempera-painting. [It.]

sec'cotine (-ēm), n., & v.t. A liquid substitute for glue; (v.t.) stick with ~ (*on, together, etc.*). [P]

secéd'e, v.I. Withdraw formally from membership of some body, esp. a Church or federal or other State. Hence *~ER*¹ n. [f. L *ex(cedere)* cess- go]

secér'ent, a. & n. (physiol.). 1. That secretes or can secrete. 2. n. Secreting organ; drug that promotes secretion. [as *SECRET*, -ENT]

sec'ession (-shn), n. Act of seceding (*War of S~*, American civil war of 1861-5 caused by ~ of eleven Southern States). Hence *~ISM*(3), *~ISM*(2), *nn.*, (-shn-). [f. L *secessionem* (*SECEDES*, -ION)]

secl'ude (-ōd), v.t. Keep (person, place, esp. oneself) retired or away from company or resort (~s oneself from society; a ~ed spot, life, etc.). Hence *~EDLY*¹ (-ēb-) *adv.* [f. L *secludere* -clus- = *claudere* shut]

secl'u'sion (-shn), n. Secluding or being secluded, retirement, privacy, avoidance

of intercourse, whence ~IST(2) n.; secluded place. [f. med. L *aecclusionem* (prec., -ION)]

séc'ond, a., n., & v.t. 1. Next after first (*the, a*, ~, often as n. with ellipse of n., esp. ~ day of month; often further defined, as *the ~ man you meet, was the ~ to come; in the ~ place, secondly; ~ to none*, surpassed by no other; ~ CLASS; ~ cabin, ~ class accommodation in passenger-ship; *come in, finish*, ~, be ~ in race; ~ floor, that two floors above ground-floor; || ~ distance, space in landscape between foreground & background). 2. Other besides one or the first, additional, supplementary, (~ advent, return of Christ esp. as preliminary to His expected personal reign on earth, whence ~ad'ventist n.; ~ ballot, electoral method by which, if the winner on the first ballot has not polled more than half the votes cast, a ~ is taken in which only he & the next candidate are eligible; ~ chamber, upper House in bicameral parliament; ~ coming, ~ advent; ~ DIVISION; ~ nature, acquired tendency that has become instinctive, as *habit is ~ nature, self-sacrifice is now ~ nature with him*; ~ SELF; ~ teeth, those of adults, cf. MILK¹-teeth; ~ thoughts, opinion or resolution formed on reconsideration; ~ WIND¹). 3. Of secondary kind, subordinate, derived, unoriginal, imitative, metaphorical, (~ cause, that is itself caused; ~ CHILDHOOD, COUSIN; ~ Daniel, Solomon, etc., person comparable to these; ~ fiddle, violin, etc., lower of two employed in score, esp. fig. in *play ~ fiddle*, be of only secondary importance, often to other person; *at ~ hand*, by hearsay, not actual observation etc.; ~ INTENTION, SIGHT¹). 4. ~-best, of ~ quality (*come off ~-best*, get the worst of it); ~ class, of ~ or of inferior position or quality (|| ~class passenger, ticket, using, entitling to use of, ~class railway-carriage etc.); || ~hand, (of clothes, books, furniture, etc.) bought after use by a previous owner, (of information etc.) taken on another's authority & not got by original observation or research; ~ lieutenant, army OFFICER; || ~pair back, front, room on ~ floor in back, front, of house (see PAIR¹); ~ PERSON (gram.); ~ rate, not of superior quality, (of ship, also as n.) rated in ~ class. 5. n. ~ person etc. in race etc. (*a good ~*, close up); || ~ class in examination for honours, person who takes this. 6. Another person or thing besides the previously mentioned or principal, whether regarded as next, inferior, or equal. 7. (Mus.) interval of which the span involves only two alphabetical names of notes, harmonic combination of the two notes thus separated. 8. pl. Goods of ~ quality, esp. coarse *beer or bread* made from it. 9. Supporter chosen by principal in duel or pugilism

to see fair play etc. 10. Sixtieth part of a MINUTE of time or angular measurement (see etym.), (loosely) short time (*wait a ~*). 11. ~ in command, officer next in rank to commanding officer; ~ of EXCHANGE¹; ~hand, extra hand in some watches & clocks recording ~s; ~mark, mark (") used with ~figures in statements of angular measurement or time (1° 6' 40"; 1 h. 35' 15"), or denoting linear inches. 12. v.t. Supplement, support, back up, (~ words with deeds; *will you ~ me if I ask him?*). 13. (Of member of debating body) give the necessary formal support to (motion etc. or its proposer) by rising with or without speech to show that mover is not isolated, whence ~ER¹ n. 14. (pr. sikhond'). || (Mil.) put (officer) into temporary retirement with a view to staff or other extra-regimental appointment; || transfer (official) temporarily to another department. [F, f. L *secundus* (sequi follow); ~ of time etc. f. F *seconde* f. med.L (*minuta*) *secunda* secondary minute, i.e. minute of a minute]

séc'ondari'y, a. & n. 1. Next below, coming in place or time after, depending on or derived from, of less importance or originality than, what is primary, of the second rank etc., supplementary, of inferior rank or importance to, (~y COLOUR¹; ~y education, school, for those who have received elementary or primary instruction but not yet proceeded to university or occupation, esp. boys & girls over 11; ~y planet, planet's satellite) (Geol.) = MESOZOIC; hence ~LY¹ adv. 2. n. Deputy or delegate; || minor cathedral dignitary; ~y planet; feather growing on second joint of wing; insect's hind wing; ~y strata. [f. L *secundarius* (prec., -ARY¹)] **seconde'** (-awnd), n. Fencing-position. [F (SECOND)]

séc'on'di'y, adv. In the second place (in enumerations). [-LY¹]

séc'on'dō, n. Second performer or lower part in duet (cf. PRIMO¹). [It. (as SECOND)]

séc'récy, n. Keeping of, ability to keep or habit of keeping, secrets (*he promised ~; can rely on his ~; the gift of ~; done with great ~*); tendency to concealment, secretiveness; unrevealed state, being kept secret, (*there can be no ~ about it; in ~, in secret*). [earlier *secretee*, -tie (foll., -ry)]

séc'rét, a. & n. 1. (To be) kept private, not (to be) made known or exposed to view, privy, (~ treaty, understanding, errand, door, passage, sin, process, arrival, influence; *the ~ parts*, parts of body of which exposure is avoided esp. the genitals; || ~service money, applied by Government to securing information etc. without obligation to state details of expenditure), whence ~LY¹ adv.; given to or having faculty of secrecy, secretive, close, reticent, not leaky; (of place etc.) secluded, retired. 2. n. Thing (to be) kept

~ (keep a or the ~, abstain from revealing it); thing known only to a limited number (in the ~, among the number of those allowed to know it; open ~, thing ~ only to those who do not trouble to learn it); mystery, thing of which explanation is sought in vain, (the ~s of nature); true but not generally recognised method for attainment of (the ~ of health, success, happiness, salvation, is temperance, to try again, etc.); secrecy (only in in ~, ~ly); (R.-C. Ch.) celebrant's private prayer in Mass; (pl.) ~ parts of body. [F, f. L. *secretus* f. *scernere* *cre-* sift] put apart]

secrétaire', n. Escribtoire. [F (-*cré-*), as foll.]

secrétar'iat(e), n. Office of secretary; members of a government administrative office collectively; administrative office collectively; administrative office building. [f. foll., -*ATÉ'*]

secrétary, n. 1. Person employed by another to assist him in correspondence, literary work, getting information, & other confidential matters (often *private* ~; *unpaid* ~, esp. of person acting as ~ to prominent politician for sake of experience). 2. Official appointed by society or company or corporation to conduct its correspondence, keep its records, & deal in the first instance with its business (|| *honorary* ~, abbr. *hon. sec.*, unpaid ~ usu. of society not conducted for profit). 3. Minister in charge of a Government Office (|| the *S*~ of State for Foreign Affairs, War, Air, the Colonies, the Dominions (formerly); now *Commonwealth Relations*), India (formerly), Burma (formerly), Scotland, or the Home, Foreign, Colonial, Indian, etc., *S*~; *under* ~, || one of two attached to each *S*~ of State, one as permanent manager of the connected office, the other usu. as representative in other House of the *S*~ of State; || *permanent* ~, *under* ~ as above; ~ of *legation* or *embassy*, ambassador's chief subordinate & deputy; *S*~ of State, (in U.S. & Vatican) chief ~ & foreign minister. 4. Secrétaire, escribtoire. 5. (Print.) script type imitating engrossing-hand. 6. ~-bird, African bird preying on snakes, with crest likened to pen stuck over writer's ear. Hence **secrétar'ial** a., ~SHIP(1) n. [earlier sense *confidant*; f. med.L *secretarius* (SECRET, -ARY¹)]

secrète', v.t. Put (object, person, oneself) into place of concealment; (Physiol.) of gland or organ or the person etc. of which it is part) produce by secretion, whence ~ON(2) n., ~ON¹ a. [f. L. *secretus*]

secrétion, n. Act of concealing (the ~ of stolen goods); (Physiol.) process by which special substances are separated from blood or sap for service in the organism or for rejection as excretions, any substance produced by such process, as

saliva, urine, resin. [F (*secré-*), f. L. *secretionem* (SECRET, -ION)]

sec'réti (or *si*kré), a. Given to making secrets, intentionally uncommunicative, needlessly reserved. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., (or *si*kré). [f. SECRET + -IVE]

sect, n. Body of persons agreed upon religious doctrines usu. different from those of an established or orthodox Church from which they have separated & usu. having distinctive common worship, non-conformist or other Church as described by opponents, party or faction in a religious body, religious denomination, so ~AR'IAN a. & n., ~AR'ianism(2, 3) n., ~AR'ianize(3) v.t.; followers of a particular philosopher or philosophy or school of thought. [f. L. *secta* faction, following, f. stem of *sequi* *secut-* follow, cf. *sectari* pursue]

sec'tary, n. (arch.). Member of a sect, esp. of the Independents, Presbyterians, etc., at time of the Civil War. [f. F *sectaire* f. med.L *sectarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

sec'tile, a. Able to be cut (esp. of soft minerals such as talc). [F, f. L. *sectilis* (*secare* *sect-* cut, -IT)]

sec'tion, n., & v.t. 1. Separation by cutting. 2. Part cut off from something, one of the parts into which something is divided arbitrarily or may naturally be considered as divided (e.g. length of can-stem between two rings), one part of a structure such as boat or wooden house that is made in parts for transportation, one of the minor subdivisions of a book usu. indicated by the ~-mark (§; § 20), (Mil.) subdivision of the platoon, part of community having separate interests or characteristics (whence ~ALISM n., ~ALIZE v.t.), (*microscopic* ~, thin slice cut from something for examination with microscope; *subject falls into five* ~s; *last* ~ of the journey; *conveyed to Tanganyika in* ~s; ~s have been preferred to chapters; ~-commanders will be responsible; *popular with all* ~s & classes). 3. Cutting of solid by plane (*conic* ~s, study of curves of intersection produced by allowing plane to cut cone at various angles), representation of internal structure of something supposed to be cut thus (*vertical, horizontal, longitudinal, oblique*, etc., ~, according to position chosen for plane). 4. (Nat. Hist.) group, esp. sub-genus. 5. The ~ mark (see above) used as mark of marginal reference or with or without number to indicate beginning of ~; hence ~AL (-shon-) a., ~ALIZ¹ adv. 6. v.t. Arrange in, divide into, ~s. [f. L. *sectionem* (prec., -ION)]

sec'tor, n. 1. Plane figure enclosed between two radii of circle, ellipse, etc., & the arc cut off by them (~ of sphere etc., solid generated by revolution of plane ~ round one radius). 2. (Mil.) any of the parts into which the space occupied by

opposing armies is distributed according as each lies within the tactical purview of a headquarters at the focus or centre in rear. 3. Mathematical rule of two flat pieces working on rule-joint with lines representing sines, tangents, etc., radiating from centre of joint for use in making diagrams etc. Hence ~AL a. [LL, =sector f. L=cutter (prec., -OR²)]

sectorial, a. & n. (Carnivore's tooth) acting with tooth in opposite jaw like scissors (of specialized molar or premolar). [prec., -IAL]

secular, a. & n. 1. Occurring once in or lasting for an age or a century (~ games, ancient-Roman festival held at long intervals; ~ hymn, composed for this; the ~ bird, phoenix). 2. Lasting or going on for ages or an indefinitely long time (opp. *periodical, cyclic*; ~ change, going on slowly but persistently; ~ cooling or refrigeration, that of the earth from fluid state; ~ acceleration, slow increase in motion of heavenly body; ~ fame, enduring; the ~ rivalry between France & England, Church & State, etc.). 3. Concerned with the affairs of this world, worldly, not sacred, not monastic, not ecclesiastical, temporal, profane, lay, (affairs, education, music; the ~ clergy, parish priests etc., opp. *regular*; the arm, hist., civil jurisdiction to which criminal was transferred by ecclesiastical courts for severer punishment); sceptical of religious truth or opposed to religious education etc., whence ~ISM(3)n., ~IST(2)n. & a., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n.; hence **secularity** n., ~LY² adv. 4. n. ~ priest. [(In senses lay, worldly, f. OF *seculer*) f. L *saecularis* (saeculum generation, age, perh. f. st. of *serere* sat-sow)]

second, a. (bot., zool.). Arranged on one side only (as flowers in lily-of-the-valley). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L as SECOND]

secundō. See PRIMO².

secundum, L prep. = according to: ~ art^{em}, artificially, also skillfully or scientifically; ~ nat^{ur}em, naturally, not artificially; ~ quid, in some respect only, not absolutely or generally, with limitations.

secundus. See PRIMUS².

securē, a. & v.t. 1. Untroubled by danger or apprehension (a *quiet* ~ existence; *doell* ~); (arch.) confident or unsuspecting (a ~ fool, dupe etc.; the ~ hope of salvation); safe against attack, impregnable; reliable, certain not to fail or give way, (a ~ foundation, fastening, foothold, grasp); (usu. pred.) in safe keeping, firmly fastened, (have got him ~; are you sure it is ~?); having sure prospect of, safe against or from, (~ of victory; ~ against assault; ~ from interruption); hence ~LY² (til) adv. 2. v.t. Fortify (town, harbour, etc., usu. with wall etc.); confine, enclose, fasten, or close, ~ly (~ prisoner, ambushed, buckle; window; ~ vein etc. in

surgery, compress to prevent bleeding; ~ arms, Mil., hold rifles with lock in armpit to guard from rain); guarantee, make safe against loss, (loan ~d on landed property etc.; how can I ~ myself against the consequences?; to ~ the labourer the or in the fruits of his labour); succeed in getting, obtain, (esp. something coveted or competed for, as have ~d front places, a first-class cook, the prize, my ends); hence **securable** a. [vb f. a., f. L *SE(curus* f. cura care)]

securiform, a. (esp. nat. hist.). Axe-shaped. [L *securis* axe (*secur* cut), -I-, -FORM]

securit^y, n. In adj. senses; also or esp.: over-confidence; thing that guards or guarantees (*pride should at least be a ~ against meanness*; in ~ for, as guarantee for); thing deposited or hypotheated as pledge for fulfilment of undertaking or payment of loan to be forfeited in case of failure, document as evidence of loan, certificate of stock, bond, exchequer bill, etc. [f. L *securitatem* (SECURE, -TY)]

sedan, n. (Also ~chair) 17th & 18th c. vehicle seated for one & carried by two chairmen with poles; enclosed motor-car for four or more persons including driver. [?]

sedate, a. (Of person or his manner, look, speech, or writing) tranquil, equable, composed, settled, not impulsive or lively. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [L *sedare* settle (*sedere* sit), -ATE²]

sedative, a. & n. (Drug, influence, etc.) tending to soothe. [f. F *sedatif* as prec. + -IVE]

se defendēdō, adv. In self-defence (as plea in cases of homicide). [L]

sedentar^y, a. & n. 1. Sitting (~y posture, statue); (of person) inclined by nature or driven by occupation to, (of occupation) involving, (of life etc.) characterized by, much sitting, whence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n.; (Zool. etc.) not migratory, free-swimming, etc., (of spider) lying in wait till prey is in web. 2. n. ~y person; ~y spider. [f. F *sedentaire* f. L *sedentarius* (*sedere* sit, -ENT, -ARY²)]

sedertant, n. Sitting of ecclesiastical assembly or other body, or of a company over the wine or in talk (*had a long* ~). [L, = (the following persons) sat]

sedge, n. Kinds of grasslike plant with jointless stems growing in marshes or by waterside, bed of such plants; ~warbler, ~wren, kind of warbler frequenting ~. Hence **sedge^y** a. [OE *secg*, cf. LG *segge*; cogn. w. SAW¹, SECTON, prob. w. ref. to swordlike blades]

sedilia, n. pl. (sing. *sedil^e*, rare). Set of usu. three stone seats for priests in S. wall of chancel often canopied & otherwise decorated. [f. L *sedile* seat (*sedere* sit)]

sediment, n. Matter that settles to bottom of liquid, loss, dregs. Hence

~s were created). [f. OF *se(d)* f. L *sedes* seat (*sedēre* sit)]

seed, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Flowering plant's unit of reproduction or germ capable of developing into another such plant, (collect.) ~s in any quantity esp. as collected for sowing, (*its ~s are, ~ is, black; is full of ~; drops its ~s or ~ everywhere; to be kept for or as ~; go, run, to ~, cease flowering as ~ comes, fig. grow shabby etc.*). 2. Male fecundating fluid, semen, milt. 3. (Bibl.) offspring, progeny, (*raise up ~, beget children; the ~ of Abraham, Hebrews*). 4. Germ, prime cause, beginning, (*of ~s of strife, vice; sow the ~s of, initiate*). 5. ~cake, containing whole ~s esp. caraway as flavouring; ~coral, in small ~like pieces; ~corn, reserved for ~; ~drill, DRILL²; ~eater, kind of bird; ~fish, ready to spawn; ~leaf, primary leaf or developed cotyledon; ~lobe, cotyledon; ~oysters, young ones for planting; ~pearl, small; ~plot, piece of nursery-ground, (fig.) both of sedition etc.; ~s'man, dealer in ~s; ~time, sowing season; ~vessel, pericarp; ~wool, raw cotton before ~s have been removed from fibre; hence ~LESS a. 6. vb. Go to ~, produce or let fall ~; sprinkle (as) with ~. 7. Remove ~s from (fruit etc.). 8. Separate ~ from straw of (flax); (Sport) sort stronger from weaker (competitors) to secure good later matches in tournament. 9. ~ing-machine, mechanical ~sower; ~ing-plough, with hopper depositing ~ in furrow as made. [OE *seed*, cf. Du. *zaad*, G *saat*; cogn. w. sow¹]

seed'er, n. Seed-drill; apparatus for seeding raisins etc.; || spawning fish. [-ER¹]

seed'ling, n. Plant raised from seed & not from cutting etc.; young tender plant. [-LING¹]

seed'ly, a. Full of seed, going to seed; (of brandy) having flavour attributed to weeds among the vines; (colloq.) shabby-looking, in worn clothes, || out of sorts, feeling ill, whence ~ILY¹ adv.; ~y-toe, disease of horse's foot. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

seek, v.t. & i. (*sought* pr. sawt). 1. Make search or inquiry for, try or be anxious to find or get, ask (thing of person), aim at, pursue as object, endeavour to do, make for or resort to (place, person, for advice, health, etc.), (*what are you ~ing?; ~s a situation as cook, wealth, scope for his energies, etc.; sought of him a sign; ~s my aid; ~s my life or to kill me; came ~ing advice; sought his bed, a fortune-teller, the shore; ~ dead!*, order to retriever to find killed game; ~ out, single out for pursuit etc., esp. make special efforts to secure society of). 2. Search (place, receptacle) through. 3. Make search or inquiry after or for (*sought-after*, much in demand, desired or courted). 4. (arch.), numbers to (person, place).

5. Is etc. to ~ or much to ~, is deficient, wanting, or not yet found (*politeness is much to ~ among them; is to ~ in intelligence, grammar; an efficient leader is yet to ~*). Hence (-)~ER¹n. [OE *secan*, cf. Du. *zoeken*, G *suchen*; cogn. w. L *sagire* perceive, Gk *hēgeomai* consider]

seel, v.t. (arch.). Close (eye), close eyes of (hawk), by sewing up lids; (fig.) hood-wink. [f. OF *siller*, c-, (cyl eyelid f. L as *CLIA*)]

seem, v.i. 1. Have the air or appearance or sensation of being, appear or be apparently perceived or ascertained to do or have done, (*be what you ~ to be or ~; the man who ~ed the ringleader; ~s to be tired, a hopeless absurdity; ~s to be a good fellow, saint, etc.; I ~ to be or ~ deaf today, ~ to see him still; do not ~ to, sl., somehow do not, as I do not ~ to like him, fancy it; ~ good to be, adopted as best course by; what ~eth him good, arch., what he chooses; ~s to have died at 35*). 2. Appear to be true or the fact (with anticipatory *if* & following *that*-clause, or parenth. with *if* only, often with implication of anger or remonstrance; *if ~s to me that it will rain, such talk is absurd, we had better make up our minds to it; so we are to get nothing, it ~s; it ~s you were lying; also it should or would ~ in same senses; me~s, ~eth, ~ed, arch., it ~s, ~ed, to me*). 3. (part.). Ostensible, apparent only, apparent but perhaps not real, apparent & perhaps real, (*the ~ing & the real; a ~ing friend; with ~ing sincerity; ~ing-virtues* etc., usu. with suggestion of falsity), whence ~ingly² adv. [ME *seme* f. ON (Icel. *sēma* conform to), cogn. w. SAME]

seem'ly, a. & adv. 1. Decent, decorous, becoming; hence ~INESS n. 2. adv. (rare). Decorously. [f. ON *sēmligr* (*sæmr* becoming f. *samr* SAME, -LY²)]

seen. See SEE¹.

seep, v.i. Ooze out, trickle, leak; also fig. Hence ~AGE(3) n. [orig. dial.; cf. OE *sipian* to soak]

seer¹, n. Prophet, person who sees visions, person of preternatural insight esp. as regards the future. [different. in sense & pronunc. of *se'er* (SEE¹, -ER¹)]

seer², n. Indian (varying) measure of weight (in most parts = 2 lb.); Indian liquid measure (about one litre). [Hind. *ser*]

seer-fish, **seir-** (sē-), n. Common Indian scambroid fish. [corruption of Port. *serra* saw]

seer'sücker, n. Indian blue-&-white-striped linen. [f. Pers. *shir o shakkar* lit. milk & sugar]

see'saw, a., adv., n., & v.i. 1. With backward & forward motion as of a saw (~ motion; go ~, vacillate or alternate). 2. n. Game in which two persons sit one at each end of long board balanced on

central support & move each other up & down alternately, board thus balanced. 3. v.i. Play at ~; move up & down as in ~; vacillate in policy etc. [redupl. of SAW¹]

seethe (-dh), v.t. & i. (~ed; arch. past *sod*; arch. p.p. *SODDEN*). Cook (t. & i.) by boiling (arch.); prov. *thou shalt not ~e a kid in his mother's milk*; (fig.) boil, bubble over, be agitated, (*the ~ing waters*; *India was ~ing with discontent*; *madness, enthusiasm, ~ing in his brain*). [OE *seothan*, cf. Du. *zieden*, G *sieden*]

segar. (Incorrect for) **GIGAR**.

seg'ment, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Part cut off or separable or marked off as though separable from the other parts of something (e.g. one ring of a worm, one division of a limb or the skull, one wedge of orange-pulp); (Geom.) part cut off by line or plane from any figure (~ of circle, part enclosed between arc & chord; ~ of sphere, part cut off by any plane not passing through centre), ~ of line, part included between two points; ~-gear, -rack, -wheel, with cogs occupying arc of circle only; ~-saw, with teeth extending over ~ of circle, also circular saw made up of ~al saw-plates, also saw for cutting into ~al shapes; ~-valve, closed by slide turning radially across seat; hence ~AL (-ēn), ~ARY¹, aa., ~ALLY² (-ēn) adv. 2. vb. Divide (i. & t.) into ~s, (of embryo) undergo cleavage or divide into parts; (Physiol.) reproduce by gemmation; hence ~A'TION n., (esp.) formation of many cells from a single cell. [f. L *segmentum* (*secare* cut, -MENT)]

seg'rgāte¹, v.t. & i. Put apart from the rest, isolate; (Intr.; Crystalllog.) separate from a mass & collect about centres or lines of fracture. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a. [f. L *segregare* f. *grex* gregis flock], -ATE¹]

seg'rgate², a. Set apart, separate, (arch.); (Zool.) simple or solitary, not compound; (Bot.) ~ *polygamy*, inflorescence in which each floret within common calyx has its own perianth also. [prec., -ATE¹]

seiche (sāsh), n. Oscillation of lake waters due to changes in barometric pressure. [Swiss F. etym. dub.]

Se'id (sā-, or sēd), n. Descendant of Mohammed through Fatima & Ali. [f. Arab. *sayyid* prince]

Seid'lits powd'er (sēd-), n. Aperient medicine of two powders mixed separately with water & then poured together giving effervescence. [named as substitute for mineral water of *Seidlitz* in Bohemia]

seigneur (sānyēr'), **seignior** (sān'yōr'), n. Feudal lord, lord of manor, whence **seignior'ial** (sānyōr'ēl); *grand seigneur* (see Ap.), person of high rank or whose demeanour etc. correspond to popular

ideal of great nobleman; *the Grand Seignior*, = **GRAND Signior**. [F (-eur), as SENIOR]

seign(i)orage (sān'yōrīj), n. Something claimed by sovereign or feudal superior as prerogative, esp. Crown's right to percentage on bullion brought to mint for coining. [OF (-*norage*), see prec., -AGE] **seignior** (sān'yōr'), n. Lordship, sovereign authority; seignior's domain; municipal council of medieval Italian republic. [f. OF *seignorie* (SEIGNEUR, -Y¹)]

seine (sān, sēn), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Fishing-net for encircling, with floats at top & weights at bottom edge, & usu. hauled ashore; ~-gang, set of men working ~; ~-needle, for netting ~s; ~-roller, cylinder over which ~ is hauled. 2. vb. Fish, catch, with ~, whence **sein'er**¹ n. [OE *segne*, f. L f. Gk *sagēnē*]

seise, seisin. See **seiz-**.

seis'mic, seis'mal (rare), (sīz-,), aa. Of earthquake(s). [Gk *seismos* earthquake (*seio* shake), -IC]

seis'mo- (sīz-), comb. form = earthquake-; ~ogram, record given by ~OGRAPH (2) or ~OMETER or ~OSCOPE, instruments showing force, place, etc., of earthquake; so ~ography, ~ographer, ~ograph'ical), ~om'etry, ~omē'trical), ~oscōp'ic; ~ōlogy, ~ōlogist, ~ōl'ogical(ly). [prec., -O-]

seize (sēz), v.t. & i. 1. (Law; also *seise*) put in possession of (chiefly in p.p. ~d or *seised* of, having in legal possession, & fig., aware or informed of; often *stand ~d* of). 2. Take possession of (contraband goods, documents, etc.) by warrant or legal right, confiscate, impound, attach, whence **seiz'or**¹ n. (legal), **seiz'ABLE** a., (sēz-). 3. Lay hold of forcibly or suddenly, snatch, grasp with hand or mind, comprehend quickly or clearly, (~ *fortress*, *sceptre*, person by the neck etc., person's hand, opportunity or occasion, an idea, a distinction, the point, the essence of the matter; was ~d by apoplexy, with remorse or panic). 4. Lay hold eagerly upon (~ upon a chance or pretext). 5. (Naut.) lash, fasten with several turns of cord, (~ one up, lash him to rigging for flogging; ~ ropes together), whence **seiz'ing**² (4) (sēz-) n. (usu. pl.). 6. (Of machinery) become stuck, jam, from undue heat or friction. [f. OF *seisir*, *sai-*, give *seizin*, f. LL *sacire* take possession of (perh. f. Teut. & cogn. w. SET¹)]

seiz'in, seis'in, (sēz-,), n. (legal). Possession of land by freehold; act of taking such possession; what is so held. [f. OF *seisina*, *sai-* (prec., -INE¹)]

seizure (sēzh'er), n. In vbl senses; esp., sudden attack of apoplexy etc., stroke. [f. F *saisir* SEIZE w. assim. to -URE of PLEASURE]

sej'ant, a. (her.). Sitting with forelegs upright. [AF *sejant* (*seier* var. of OF *sacir* f. L *sedere* sit, -ANT)]

sek'és, n. (archaeol.). Sacred enclosure esp. of ancient temple, adytum. [Gk (sé-)]

séläch'ian (-k-), n. & a. 1. Any fish of shark or dogfish kind. 2. adj. Of or like such fishes. [Gk *selakhos* shark, -IAN]

seia'däng (-ahd-), n. Large wild ox of Malay countries; Malayan tapir. [native name]

sél'ah, Hebrew word of unknown meaning retained in Bible version of Psalms & supposed to be a musical direction.

séla'milk (-ah-), n. Men's part of Mohammedan house. [Turk.]

sél'dom, adv. (rarely ~er, ~est). Rarely, not often, (~ or never; very ~; not ~). [OE *seidan*, cf. Du. *seiden*, G *selten*; -om by assim. to adv. dat. ending as in *whilom*]

séléct', a., & v.t. 1. Chosen for excellence, choice, picked, got by rejection or exclusion of what is inferior; (of society etc.) exclusive, cautious in admitting members; hence ~NESS n.; || ~committee, small parliamentary committee appointed to conduct some special investigation; *~man, one of the annually elected councillors in a New England town(ship). 2. v.t. Pick out as best or most suitable; hence **séléct'ive** a. (*~ive service, conscription), **séléct'ively** adv., **séléct'or** n. [vb f. adj., f. L *se(ligere) lect-* = *legere* pick]]

séléction, n. Selecting, choice; what is selected (*a fine ~ of summer goods; what is your ~ for the Derby?*; *the new headmaster is a good ~*); (Biol.) sorting out in various ways (*natural, sexual, physical, artificial, methodical, unconscious, ~*) of the types of animal or plant better fitted to survive or multiply regarded as a factor in evolution. [f. L *selectio* (prec., -ION)]

séléctiv'ity, n. (Of wireless receiving-sets etc.) power to respond to any particular wave-length without interference from others. [SELECTIVE + -ITY]

selenite, n. 1. (sél'in-). Sulphate of lime or gypsum occurring as transparent crystals or thin plates; (Chem.) salt of selenium. 2. (S~; slé'). Inhabitant of moon. Hence **sélénit'ic** a. [f. Gk *selénites* (lithos) moon-(stone) f. *Seléné*, -ITE']

sélé'nium, n. Non-metallic element of sulphur-tellurium group, characterized by the fact that its electrical resistance varies with the intensity of the illumination falling on it. Hence **sélé'n'ic** a., **sélé'nate** (3) n., **sélé'n'ous** (chem.) a. [Gk *Seléné* moon, -IUM; named w. ref. to **TELLURIUM**]

sélén'(o)-, comb. form of Gk *seléné* moon; ~ocentric, as seen etc. from centre of moon; ~odont, (mammal) with crescent-shaped on crowns of teeth; **sélén'o-graphy**, study or mapping of the moon, so ~o-

GRAPH(1), **sélén'o-grapher**, ~ograph'ic; **sélénol'ogy**, **sélénol'ogist**; ~otrop'ic, curving towards the moon (of plant-organs influenced in growth thus), so **sélénol'ropism**, **sélénol'ropy** 1.

Séleu'cid, n. (pl. ~s, ~ae). One of the dynasty founded by Seleucus that governed Syria c. 312-64 B.C. [-ID³]

sélf, n. (pl. -ves) & a. 1. Person's or thing's own individuality or essence, person or thing as object of introspection or reflexive action, (*the study of the ~; the consciousness of ~; one's former, better, etc., ~, oneself as one formerly was, one's nobler impulses etc.; one's second ~, intimate friend, right-hand man; his, its, etc., own or very ~ as form of himself etc. when divided; Caesar's, ph etc., ~, rhet. for Caesar himself, pity thyself*); one's own interests or pleasure, concentration on these, (*cares for nothing but, refers everything to, ~; ~ is a bad guide to happiness*); flower of uniform, or of the natural wild, colour; (commerce, vulg., loc.) = *myself, yourself, himself, etc. (cheque drawn to ~; a ticket admitting ~ & friend); our noble selves* (loc., as toast). 2. adj. (Of colour) uniform, the same throughout, (of flower) ~coloured. 3. **HIMSELF, HIMSELF, ITSELF, MYSELF, ONE-, OURSELF, THEMSELVES, YOURSELF**. [OE, cf. Du. *zelf*, G *selbe*; etym. dub.; orig. appended, as adj. or in apposition, to pronoun & declined with it, *he self, his selves*, dat. *him selfum*, acc. *hine selfe*; in ME also adj. = same, very]

sélf-, pref. (prec.) expr. direct or indirect reflexive action, automatic or independent action, or sameness; freely used as living pref.; the more established wds are given alphabetically with references to the numbered classes following:

1. Expressing direct reflexive action with part. of any vb that can have *self* for object, & hence with the p.p. in sense *by oneself or itself*, & with vb1 nn. & adj. & adv. in sense of *self*; so from 'I accuse myself' come ~accusing, ~accused, aa., ~accuser, ~accusation, nn., ~accusatory a., ~accusingly, ~accusatorily, advv.

2. By extension it is prefixed also to any word, whether participle or other vb1 deriv. or not, to which *self* might be attached by a preposition; in a large class (2a) the sense is *without external agency or assistance*; so from 'acts by or of itself' come ~acting, ~action, ~activity; from 'evident of itself' comes ~evident; in other wds (2b) the relation expressed is various; so from 'conceited about one self' ~conceited & ~conceit, from 'be absorbed, confide, in oneself' ~absorbed, ~absorption, ~confidence, from 'infit on oneself' ~inflicted, from 'be conscious, despair, of oneself' ~consciousness, ~despair, from 'depend on oneself' ~dependence, from 'righteous as seen by

oneself' ~*righteous*, from 'seek things for oneself' ~*seeker*, -*seeking* a. & n., from 'suffice, use violence, to oneself' ~*sufficing*, -*sufficient*, ~*violence*.

3. To a few m. & their deriv. in -*an* self is prefixed with sense *uniform*, or *natural & not artificially produced*.

~*abandonment*, ~*abusement*, ~*abhorrence*, ~*abnegation*, 1, ~*absorbed*, ~*absorption*, 2b; ~*abuse* 1, solitary sexual indulgence; ~*accusation*, ~*accusatory*, etc., 1; ~*acting*, ~*action*, ~*activity*, 2a, automatic (action); ~*adjusting*, ~*adjustment*, 1, of machinery etc.; ~*admiration* 1; ~*affirmation* 1 (Psych.), recognition and assertion of the existence of the conscious self; ~*aggrandizement*, ~*apportioned*, ~*appreciation*, ~*approval*, ~*approbation*, 1; ~*asserting*, ~*assertive*, ~*assertion*, etc., 1; ~*assumed* 2b, of title etc. not conferred but taken esp. without right; ~*begotten* 1, by exag. for not begotten by another; ~*betrayal* 1; ~*binder* 2a, reaping-machine with automatic arrangement for binding sheaves; ~*blind* 1, ~*born* 1, as ~*begotten*; ~*concentration* 2b, preoccupied with one's own personality or affairs; ~*closing* 1; ~*cocking* 1, of gun in which hammer is raised by trigger, not by hand; ~*collected* 2b, having or showing presence of mind or composure; ~*colour*(ed) 8, of flower or material in which colour is uniform throughout, or flower whose colour has not been changed by cultivation etc.; ~*command* 1, power of controlling one's emotions; ~*communion* 2b, meditation esp. upon one's own character or conduct; ~*complaint*, ~*complacency*, 2b, of person too easily pleased with himself; ~*concoit*(ed) 2b; ~*condemned*, ~*condemnation*, 1; ~*confidence*, ~*confidently*, 2b; ~*congratulation*, ~*conquest*, 1; ~*consciousness* 2b, esp. of person embarrassed or made theatrical by inability to forget himself in society, also philos. etc. of man as having faculty of ~*contemplation*; ~*consistent*, ~*consistency*, 2b; ~*constituted* 1, esp. of person who assumes function without right to it; ~*consum* 1; ~*contained* 1, not communicative, also compact or complete in itself; ~*contempt*, ~*contemptuously*, 1; ~*content* n., ~*contented*, 2b; ~*contradiction*, ~*contradictory*, ~*control*, ~*convicted*, 1; ~*created*, ~*creation*, 1, as ~*begotten*; ~*critical*, ~*criticism*, ~*culture*, ~*deceiving*, ~*deceiver*, ~*deceit*, ~*deception*, 1; ~*defence* 1 (in ~*defence*, not by way of aggression; art of ~*defence*, boxing); ~*delsion* 1; ~*denying* (denying ordinance, resolution of Long Parliament 1645 depriving members of Parliament of civil & military office; also often used abusively), ~*denial*, 1; ~*dependent*, ~*ence*, 2b; ~*depreciation*, ~*depreciative*, 1; ~*despair* 2b; ~*destroy*

ing, ~*destruction*, etc., 1; ~*determining*, ~*determination*, etc., 1, esp. w. ref. to tree will as opp. fatalism etc., & in recent Pol., of a nation's right to determine its own polity; ~*development* 1; ~*devotion* 1, devoting of oneself to person or cause; ~*discipline*, ~*disparagement*, ~*display*, ~*dispraise*, ~*distrust* (jud), ~*educated*, ~*education*, ~*effacement*, 1; ~*electric* 1, esp. = proceeding etc. by co-optation; ~*esteem* 1; ~*evidently* 2a, without need of demonstration; ~*examination* 1; ~*executing* 1, not needing legislation etc. to enforce it; ~*existent* 2a; ~*explaining*, ~*explanatory*, 1; ~*faced* 3, (of stone) unhorn, undressed; ~*feeding*, ~*feeder*, 1, (furnace, machine, etc.) that renews its own fuel or material automatically; ~*fertilizing*, ~*fertilized*, 1, ~*fertile*, ~*fertility*, 2a, of plants fertilized by their own pollen, not from others; ~*flattening*, ~*flattery*, 1; ~*forgetfulness* 1, unselfishness; ~*generating* 1; ~*glazed* 3, (of porcelain) covered with glaze of one tint; ~*glorification* 1; ~*governing* (esp. the ~*governing colonies* opp. CROWN-colony), ~*government*, 1; ~*gratulation* 1; ~*heal* 1, kinds of plant named as enabling patient to do without doctor; ~*help* 1, working for oneself without waiting for external aid; ~*humiliation*, ~*immolation*, 1; ~*important*, ~*importance*, 2b, in one's own eyes, & hence pompous etc.; ~*imposed* 2b, of task etc.; ~*impotent* 2a, opp. ~*fertile*; ~*improvement* 1; ~*inductive*, ~*induction*, 2a, (Electr.) (capable of) production of extra current in circuit by variation of current in that circuit; ~*indulgent*, ~*indulgence*, etc., 1, yielding to temptations of ease or pleasure; ~*inflicted* 2b; ~*interested*(ed) 2b, (actuated by or absorbed in) what one conceives to be for one's own interests; ~*invited* 1, having had to ask for, having come without, an invitation; ~*involved* 2b, wound up in oneself; ~*justification*, ~*kindled*, ~*knowledge*, ~*laudation*, 1; ~*love* 1, selfishness, impulse towards ~*indulgence*, vulnerable conceit, also rarely desire of ~*development* etc.; ~*luminous* 2a; ~*made* 1, of person who has risen by his own exertions, often with implication of vulgarity etc.; ~*mastery*, ~*mortification*, 1; ~*moving*, ~*motion*, ~*murderer*, 1; ~*opinion*, ~*opinioned*, ~*opinionated*, 2b, of stubborn adherence to one's own opinions; ~*partial*, ~*partiality*, 2b; ~*pit'y*, ~*pleasing* a. & n., 1; ~*poised* 3a; ~*pollution* 1, ~*abuse*; ~*portrait* 2a, portrait (literary or pictorial) made by a person of himself; ~*possession*, ~*possession*, 1, cook(ness), composed, composure, in agitating circumstances etc.; ~*praise* 1 (~*praise* is no recommendation); ~*preservation* 1, esp. the primary instinct compelling conscious beings to go on living & avoid injury; ~*profit* 2b;

~prop'agating 1; ~propelled' 1; ~rak'er 2a, reaping-machine with set of rakes automatically preparing corn for binding; ~realis'ation 1, development of one's faculties esp. as ethical first principle; ~record'ing 2a, of scientific instrument etc.; ~regard'ing, -regard', 1, opp. altruism etc. without the censure implied in selfish etc.; ~re-gliding 2a, as ~recording; ~regul'ating 1, of machinery; ~reli'ant, -ance, 2b; ~renuncia'tion 1, unselfishness; ~repre'ssion, -reproach' (ful), 1; ~repug'nant 2b, inconsistent; ~respect'ing, -respect', -respect'ful, 1, of person who has & acts up to a standard of worthy conduct; ~restrained', -restraint', -reveal'ing a., -revela'tion, 1; ~rever'ent, -reverence, 1, rhet., poet., theol., etc., for ~respect etc.; ~right'eous(ness) 2b; ~right'ing a. 1, of boat; ~sac'rificing a., -sac'rifice, 1, postponing private interest & desires to those of others; ~same 3, emphatic form of same; ~sat'isfied, -satisfac'tion, 2b, conceit(ed); ~sco'rn 1; ~seek'ing a. & n., -seek'er, 2b; ~slaught'er 1; ~sown' 1, sprung from seed that has dropped without human agency; ~start'er 2a, electric appliance for starting motor-car without use of crank-handle; ~ster'ile, -steril'ity, 2a, as ~impotent; ~styl'ed' 1, having taken the name without right etc., pretended, would-be; ~suff'cing 2b, requiring nothing from outside, independent; ~suff'cient, -ency, 2b, = ~sufficing, also & usu. sufficient in one's own opinion, presumptuous; ~sugges'tion 2b, reflexive suggestion of the mesmeric or hypnotic kind; ~support'(ing), -surrender, -sustain'ing, -sustained', -taught', -torment'ing etc., -tor'ture etc., 1; ~vi'olence 2b, esp. suicide; ~will(ed) 2b, as ~opinion etc.; ~wind'ing 1, of clock with automatic winding apparatus; ~wor'ship 1.

self'hood, n. (rare). Personality, separate & conscious existence. [-HOOD]

self'fish, a. Deficient in consideration for others, alive chiefly to personal profit or pleasure, actuated by self-interest, (of motives etc.) appealing to self-interest (~theory of morals, that pursuit of pleasure of one kind or another is the ultimate spring of every action). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

self'less, a. Oblivious of self, incapable of selfishness. Hence ~NESS n. [-LESS]

self'ness, n. (rare). = SELFHOOD. [-NESS]

Seljuk' (-ōōk), n. Member of 11th-13th-c. Mohammedan dynasties in central & Western Asia descended from the chieftain Seljuk. Hence ~IAN a. & n.

sell, v.t. & i. (*sell*), & n. 1. Make over or dispose of in exchange for money (cf. BUY, RANSOM; ~one's life dearly, fig., kill or wound assailants before being killed; ~ing-runs, 'handicap, etc., in which winning horse must be sold to highest bidder;

~one a pup, sl., swindle him). 2. Keep stock of for sale or be a dealer in (do you ~candles?; bookselling etc.). 3. Betray for money or other reward (~one's country etc.). 4. Prostitute for money or other consideration, make a matter of corrupt bargaining, (~justice, oneself, one's honour or chastity). 5. (sl.). Disappoint by not keeping engagement etc., by failing in some way, or by trickery (sold again!, excl. used by or to disappointed person). 6. (Of goods) find purchasers (will never ~; ~ing like wildfire, hot cakes). 7. ~off, ~remainder (of goods), clear out stock, at reduced prices; ~out, leave army by ~ing commission (hist.). ~ (all or some of one's shares in company whole stock-in-trade, etc., or abs.); ~up, ~goods of (debtor) by distress or legal process. 8. n. (colloq.). Disappointment (what a ~!). Hence (-)~ER¹ n. [OE *sellan*, cf. ON *selja*, OHG *sellēn* deliver up; cogn. w. SALE]

sellanders. See SALLENDERS.

sell't'zer, n. (Also ~water) medicinal mineral water from *Sellers* in Germany; artificial substitutes for this, soda-water.

sell't'zogēne, n. = GAZOGENE. [f. F *selzogene* (prec., -GEN)]

sel'vage, -edge, n. Edge of cloth so woven that it cannot unravel, border of different material or finish along edge of cloth intended to be torn off or hidden, list; edge-plate of lock with opening for the bolt. Hence sel'vaged¹ (-'ljd) a. [f. MDu. *sellege* (SELF, EDGE)]

selvagee' (-j-), n. Hank of rope-yarn bound together, used as a sling etc. [f. prec.]

selves. See SELF.

sēmān'tic, a. & n. 1. Relating to meaning in language. 2. n. pl. Branch of philology concerned with meanings. [f. Gk *sēmantikos* significant (*sēmainō* mean)]

sēm'aphōre, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Signalling apparatus of post with oscillating arms, arrangement of lanterns, etc., for use (esp. now on railways) by day or night; military signalling by operator's two arms or two flags. 2. vb. Signal, send, by ~. Hence sēmaphō'ric a., sēmaphō'rically adv. [irreg. f. Gk *sēma* -āōs sign, phērō bear]

sēmās'iōl'og'y, n. Semantics. So ~o-lō'gical a. [f. Gk *sēmasia* meaning + -LOGY]

sēmāt'ic, a. (nat. hist.). (Of colour or markings in animals) significant, serving to warn off enemies or attract attention. [prec., -IC]

|| **sēm'blable**, a. (arch.). Having semblance of something, seeming. [OF (foll., -ABLE)]

sēm'blance, n. What looks like, the outward appearance of, something (*put on a ~ of anger; bears the ~ of an angel & the heart of a devil*). [F (*sembler* f. L as SEMULARE, -ANCE)]

semée, semé, (sēm'ī), a. (her.). Covered with small bearings of indefinite number (e.g. stars, fleurs-de-lis) arranged over field. [F, p.p. of *semer* sow (SEMEN)]

semiology, semeiotics. See **semio-**

sem'én, n. Generative fluid of male animals. [L, genit. -inis, = seed (*serere* sow, -MEN)]

semés'ter, n. Half-year course or term in German & other universities. [G, f. L *semestris* six-monthly (*sex* six, *mensis* month)]

sem'i-, pref. = L semi- half- [cf. Gk *hēmi-*, OE *sam-*, Skr. *sami*, perh. cogn. w. SAME], attached to any E wd as living pref. (cf. BR-, DI-, DEMI-, HEMI-); the more established or illustrative wds are given alphabetically w. ref. to the following numbered senses: 1. the half of (~circle); 2. on one of two sides (~detached), in one of two directions (~infinite), in some particular (~vowel); 3. little more or better than (~barbarism); 4. rather less than (~official), in low degree (~civilized), not quite deserving the description (~smile); 5. imperfect(ly) (~bull, ~doubt); 6. occurring, published, etc., each half or twice in a (~annual; cf. M-1c); ~annu'ally 6; ~barbān'ian, ~barbarism, 8; || ~brève 1, longest note in common use, equalling two minims (see BREVE); ~bull 5, issued by Pope after election & before coronation with one side of seal left blank; ~centenn'ial 6, occurring etc. every fifty years; ~chor'us 1, half or part of choir, passage given by it; ~circle, ~circ'ular a., 1, (amounting to, arranged as or in, shaped like) half of a circle or of its circumference, set of objects ranged in or object forming a ~circle, instrument for measuring angles; ~cōl'on 4, punctuation-mark (:) now used as the chief stop (the colon being mostly reserved for special uses) of intermediate value between comma & full stop; ~cyl'inder, ~cylind'rical, 1, (of, forming, etc.) half of a cylinder cut longitudinally; || ~demi-semiquaver 1; ~détāched' (-cht) 2, (of house) joined to another by party-wall on one side only; ~dome 1, 4, half-dome formed by vertical section, part of structure more or less resembling dome; ~doub'le 5 (Bot.), having outer stamens only converted to petals; ~fin'al 4, match or round preceding the final (~finalist, competitor in this); ~fu'rid a. & n. 4, viscous (fluid); ~fused 5; ~in'fidel 3; ~in'finite 2, limited in one direction & stretching to infinity in the other; ~lun'ar 1, 4, half-moon-shaped, crescent-shaped, (esp. in anat. names, as ~lunar bone, cartilage, fold, fossa, lobe, valve); ~month'ly 6; ~mude a. & n. 3, (person) practically dumb owing to (esp. congenital) deafness; ~off'cial(ly) 4, esp. of communications made to newspapers by official with stipulation that they shall

not be formally attributed to him; ~plume 2, feather with firm stem but downy web; ~pre'cious 4, of stones; || ~quaver 1 (Mus.), note half length of quaver; ~ri'gid 4, (of airship) having a stiffened keel attached to a flexible gas container; ~smile 4; ~tone 1 (Mus.), smallest interval in normal European music, half length of tone (*diatonic* ~tone, occurring in major or minor scale; *chromatic* ~tone, not so occurring); ~transpār'ent 4; ~trop'ical 4, (as) of regions bordering on the tropics; ~tūb'ular 1, shaped like half a tube cut longitudinally; ~un'cial 5, between uncial & minuscule; ~vowel, ~vōc'al a., 2, sound, or letter representing it, intermediate between vowel & consonant (e.g. *y*, *w*), consonant that is not mute (e.g. *l*, *m*, *z*); ~week'ly 6.

sem'inal, a. Of seed or semen or reproduction, germinal, reproductive, propagative, (~fluid, semen; in the ~state, rudimentary, still undeveloped; ~principles, pregnant with consequences). Hence ~ly² adv. [F (*sé-*), f. L *seminalis* (SEMEN, -AL)]

sem'inari'y, n. Place of education (formerly in pretentious use for *school*, cf. ACADEMY; now rare exc. either fig. as a ~y of vice etc., or of R.-C. & esp. Jesuit schools, whence ~IST n.). [f. L *seminarium* seed-plot (SEMEN, -ARI¹)]

semīnā'tion, n. (bot.). Process, plant's manner, of seeding. [f. L *seminatio* (*seminare* f. SEMEN, -ATION)]

semīnif'erous, a. Bearing seed; conveying semen. [SEMEN, -I-, -FEROUS]

semīlō'ogy, semīlō't'ics, -meio- (-miō-), nn. Branch of pathology concerned with symptoms. [Gk *semeion* sign (*sema* mark), *semeiōtikos* of signs, -LOGY, -ICS]

Sēm'ite, n. & a. (Member) of any of the races supposed to be descended from Shem (*Gen. x*, 21 foll.) including esp. the Hebrews, Arameans, Phoenicians, Arabs, & Assyrians. So **Sēm'itic a.** (also n. = ~itic languages), ~ITISM (2, 4), ~ITIST (3), nn., ~ITIZE (3) v.t. [LL f. Gk *Sēm* Shem, -ITE¹]

|| **sem'm'it, n. (Sc.).** Undershirt. [?]
semoli'na (-lē), sēm'ola, n. Hard grains left after bolting of flour, used in puddings etc. [-ina f. It. *semoitno* dim. of *semola* bran f. L *simila* fine flour]

sempitērn'al, a. (Rhet. for) eternal; everlasting, never to end, (rare). [OF (-nel), f. L *sempiternus* (*sempi-* for *semper* always, w. suf. as in *aeternus* eternal) + -AL]

sem'plice (-chā), mus. direction. Simple in style of performance. [It. = SIMPLE]

sem'pre (-ā), mus. direction. Throughout (with other direction, as ~forte). [It.]

sempstress. See SHAMSTRESS.

sēn, n. Japanese copper coin, 1/100 of yen.

senā'ius, n. (pl. -i). Latin verse of six

feet, esp. iambic trimeter. [f. L (*versus*) *senarius* (sent six each, -ARY¹)]

sén'arý, a. On basis of six, by sixes, (~ SCALE², cf. BINARY). [f. L as prec.]

sén'ate, n. 1. State-council of the ancient-Roman republic & empire dividing legislation with the popular assemblies, administration with the magistrates, & judicial power with the equites. 2. Upper & less numerous branch of the legislative assembly in various countries; (rhet.) any legislature or its proceedings or members (the ~, the pulpit, & the press). 3. Governing body of Cambridge Univ. & other institutions; S~house (esp. at Cambridge). [f. OF *senat* f. L *senatus* (senold, -ATH¹)]

sén'ator, n. Member of senate. Hence or cogn. **sénator'ial** a., **sénator'ially** adv., ~SHIP n. [OF (-our), f. L *senatorem* nom. -or (prec., -OR²)]

séndi'us, n. 1. The ancient-Roman senate (~ *póp'ulusque Roman'us*, the senate & people of Rome, abbr. S.P.Q.R., official name of ancient Rome as a State; ~ *consul'um*), decree of the ~. 2. || (In full ~ *académ'icus*) governing body in some universities. [L, =SENATE]

sénd', v.t. & i. (sent). 1. Bid go, secure conveyance of, to some destination (destination given by to or other prep. or by ind. obj. of person, or merely implied; ~ *message or messenger to*; *sent me a book*; *will ~ an army*; ~ *goods all over or round the world*; ~ *coals to Newcastle*; ~ *word, have message taken that, to do, etc.*; ~ *up or in one's name, an exhibit, etc., enter oneself or it for competition*). 2. (Of God, providence, etc.) grant, bestow, inflict, bring about, cause to be so & so, (~ *rain, a judgement, pestilence*; *God ~ it may not be so*; ~ *him victorious*). 3. Propel, cause to move, (~ *bullet*; *sent his temperature up, down*; ~ *out or forth leaves, steam, odour*). 4. Dismiss, with or without force (with *off, away, or compl. or adv. phr.*; *sent him away, packing, flying, about his business, to the right-about*; ~ *to Coventry*; || ~ *down, rusticate or expel from university*; ~ *off letter, parcel, etc., get it off one's own hands & started on its way*; ~ *off person, witness his departure as sign of respect etc., so ~off n., also laudatory review of book etc.*). 5. Drive mad or crazy. 6. ~ *message or letter (sent to warn me, depose him, to me to take care*; ~ *for him, telling him to come*; ~ *for the book, ordering it as purchase*). Hence ~ER¹ n. [OE *sendan*, cf. Du. *senden*, G *senden*]

sénd', sc-, n., & v.i. (naut.; ~ed). 1. Im pulse given by the down slope of a wave (usu. ~ *of the sea*). 2. v.i. (Of vessel) plunge or pitch owing to this. 3. n. Such plunge. [prob. =prec., with sc- by confusion with *descend*]

sén'dal, n. Medieval silken fabric used for

rich dresses, pennons, etc. [Rom. (OF, Sp., Port., *cedal*) prob. ult. f. Gk *sindôn* fine linen]

sén'éga, -ka, n. (Drug, used in cough-mixtures, made from root of) American plant called also S~-snake-root. [f. name of *Seneca* Indians]

sénés'cent, a. Growing old. Hence ~ENCE n. [f. L *senescere* (SENIOR, -ESCENT)]

sén'eschal (-sh), n. Steward or major-domo of medieval great house. [OF, f. Teut. (Goth. ⁺*sins* old, found in *sinista* oldest, cogn. w. L *senex*, *skalks* servant, cf. MARSHAL)]

sén'green (-n-g-), n. =HOUSE¹-leek. [OE *singrēne* evergreen]

senhor, **senhora**, **senhorita**, (sányōr', -ōr'a, -orēt'a), used of or to Portuguese as SIGNOR etc.

sén'ile, a. Showing the feebleness etc. of, incident to, old age (~ *atrophy, apathy, garrulity, dementia, etc.*). Hence **sén'il'ity** n. [f. L *senilis* (foll., -IL)]

sén'ior, a. & n. 1. More advanced in age or older in standing, superior in age or standing to, of higher or highest degree, (opp. JUNIOR; || *the ~ service*, Navy as opp. Army; *the ~ members of the family, university, etc.*; *the ~ partner*, head of firm; || ~ *optime*, see WRANGLER; || ~ *classic*, competitor placed highest in classical tripos when names were arranged according to merit; || ~ *WRANGLER*; || ~ *man* at university, opp. *FRESHMAN*; *is two years ~ to me*), so **séniō'rity** n. 2. (Appended to name for distinction; abbr. *sen., sr*; opp. JUNIOR) ~ to another of same name (esp. with father's Christian name & surname when son has same, as *John Smith sen.*, or at school with surname when two or more boys have same, as *Smith sen.*). 3. n. Person of advanced age or comparatively long service etc.; one's elder or superior in length of service, membership, etc. (*is my ~*); || ~ *wrangler*, || *classic*, or *man*. [L, = older, old(ish) man, compar. f. st. of *senex senis* old (man)]

séniōr'es priōr'es (-z, -z), L sentence (= elders first) used in reminding the young of precedence due to seniority.

sén'n'a, n. (Dried leaflets, used as laxative, of) kinds of cassia. [f. Arab. *sana*]

sén'n'et, n. (hist.). Signal call on trumpet (in stage-directions of Shaksperian & other plays). [var. of SIGNET]

sén'n'ight (-it), n. (arch.). Week (esp. *Tuesday* etc.). [for *seven-night*]

sén'n'it, **sinn'et**, n. (naut.). Braided cordage made in flat or round or square form from 3-9 cords (common i.e. flat, round, square, ~). [f]

señor, **señora**, **señorita**, (sényōr', -ōr'a, -orēt'a), used of or to Spaniards as SENIOR etc.

Sénous(s)' (-ōō-), n. Religious & political Mohammedan fraternity in N. Africa

named after founder (usu. the ~ as sing. or pl.).

sensá'tion, n. 1. Consciousness of perceiving or seeming to perceive some state or affection of one's body or its parts or senses or of one's mind or its emotions, contents of such consciousness, (*had a ~ of giddiness, heat, pain, comfort, thirst, falling, sourness, deafness, pride, stupidity; pressing the eyeball in the dark will produce the ~ of light or of seeing light; in search of a new ~*). 2. Stirring of the emotions common to many people or of eager interest among them, display of intense common emotion or interest, literary or other use of material calculated to excite it, (*made a great ~, was eagerly discussed or viewed; ~ among the audience, shown by deep silence, applause, or other general manifestation; a three-days' ~; what is the latest ~?; the essence of melodrama is ~; deals largely in ~*). Hence ~AL (-shon-) a., ~ALLY¹ adv. [f. mod. L *sensatio* (LL *sensatus* having sense f. *sensus* SENSE, -ATE¹, -ION)]

sensá'tionalism (-shon-), n. (Philos.) theory that ideas are derived solely from sensation; pursuit of the sensational in literature, political agitation, etc. So ~IST(2) n. [-ISM]

sense, n., & v.t. 1. Any of the special bodily faculties by which sensation is roused (*the five ~s, sight, hearing, smell, taste, & touch; sixth or muscular ~, producing sensation of muscular effort; has quick, keen, ~s, a dull ~ of smell*); (pl.) person's sanity or ordinary state of mind regarded as secured by possession of these (*have you taken leave of, are you out of, your ~s?, are you mad?; he will soon come, we must bring him, to his ~s, out of mad folly; frightened out of his ~s, into loss of faculties; in one's ~s, sane*). 2. Ability to perceive or feel or to be conscious of the presence or properties of things, sensitiveness of all or any of the ~s, (~perception; *errors of ~, mistakes in perception; the pleasures of ~, those depending on sensation; has a plant ~?*). 3. Consciousness of (a or the ~ of pleasure, pain, gratification, *having done well, one's own importance, shame, responsibility; labouring under a ~ of wrong, feeling wronged*). 4. Quick or accurate appreciation of, instinct regarding or insight into specified matter or habit of squaring conduct to such instinct, (~ of locality, distance, the ridiculous, humour, duty, beauty, gratitude; *a keen ~ of honour; the religious, moral, aesthetic, ~*). 5. Practical wisdom, judgement, common ~, conformity to these, (*sound, good, common¹, ~; a man of ~, sagacious; had not the ~ to do; has plenty of ~; what is the ~ of talking like that?; has more ~ than to do; now you are talking ~*). 6. Meaning, way in which word etc. is to be under-

stood, intelligibility or coherence or possession of a meaning, (*in what exact ~ we shall rise again is doubtful; the ~ of the word is clear; does not make ~, is unintelligible; in the strict, limited, literal, figurative, moral, metaphorical, legal, picturesque, proper, full, ~; in a vague, in every, ~; in a ~, provided the statement is taken in a particular way, under limitations, as what you say is true in a ~; make ~ out of nonsense*). 7. Prevailing sentiment among a number of people (*take the ~ of the meeting, ascertain this by putting question etc.*). 8. ~body, ~capsule, ~cavity, ~cell, ~centre, ~organ, parts of animals concerned in producing sensation; hence ~LESS (-sl-) a. (esp. = foolish; *knock ~less, stun*), ~LESSLY² adv., ~LÉSSNESS n. 9. v.t. Perceive by ~, (esp.) be vaguely aware of. [f. F *sens* f. L *sensus* -us (sentire *sens*-feel)]

sensibil'ity, n. Capacity to feel (*skin lost its ~*); exceptional openness to emotional impressions (*sense & ~*), delicacy of feeling, susceptibility (~ to kindness etc.), over-sensitiveness; (pl.) susceptibility in various directions. [f. L *sensibilitatem* (foll., -ITY)]

sén'sible, a. Perceptible by the senses (~ phenomena, things); great enough to be perceived, appreciable, (*a ~ difference, increase*); (arch.) sensitive (to); aware, not unmindful of, (*was ~ of his peril, your kindness*); of good sense, reasonable, judicious, moderate, practical, (*a ~ man, course, compromise; that is very ~ of him*). Hence sén'sibly² adv., ~NESS n. [F, f. L *sensibilis* (SENSE, -BLE)]

sén'sitive, a. & n. 1. Of the senses, sensory, (rare); having sensibility to, very open to or acutely affected by external impressions esp. those made by the moods or opinions of others in relation to oneself; (of instrument etc.) readily responding to or recording slight changes of condition (~ive market, liable to quick changes of price); (Chem.) readily affected by or responsive to appropriate agent, (Photog.) ~ive paper, prepared to receive impressions from light, whence ~IVE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION, ~IZER¹(2), ~OM'ETER, nn.; ~ive plant, kind of mimosa whose leaves curve downwards & leaflets fold together at nightfall or when touched; hence ~ively² adv., ~IVENESS, ~IV'ITY (chem., photog., physiol., psychol.), m. 2. n. (Hypnotism etc.) person ~ive to hypnotic etc. influences. [F (-if, -ive), f. med. L *sensitivus*, irreg. f. L *sentire* *sens*-feel, -IVE]

sénsor'ium, n. (pl. -ia, -e). The seat of sensation, the brain, brain & spinal cord, or grey matter of these; (Biol.) whole sensory apparatus including nerve-system etc. [LL (foll.)]

sén'sory, **sénsor'ial**, aa. Of the ~rum or sensation or the senses. -ORY, -AL]

sens'ual (or-shô-), a. Of sense or sensation, sensory, (rare); of or depending on the senses only & not the intellect or spirit, carnal, fleshly, (~ pleasures); given to the pursuit of ~ pleasures or gratification of the appetites, self-indulgent in regard to food & sexual enjoyment, voluptuous, licentious; (Philos.) holding the doctrine of, according to, of, sensualism. Hence or cogn. ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION, ~ISM(2, 3), ~IST(1, 2), ~ITY (-âi'), nn., ~LY³ adv. [f. LL *sensualis* (SENSE, -AL)]

sens'uious, a. Of, derived from, affecting, the senses (chiefly as substitute, free of implied censure, for prec.; cf. *non-moral & immoral*). Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [SENSE, -OUS]

sent. See SEND¹.

sen'tence, n., & v.t. 1. (arch.). One's opinion for or against some course or conclusion (*my ~ is for war*); pithy saying, briefly expressed thought, maxim, proverb. 2. Verdict (rare); (declaration of) punishment allotted to person condemned in criminal trial (also transf.). 3. (Gram.) set of words complete in itself, containing subject & predicate (either, or part of either or both, occas. omitted by ellipsis), & conveying a statement, question, or command (e.g. *I go, will you go?*, *go=go thou or you, what?* = what did you say?, *hearts trumps*=hearts are trumps; *simple ~*, with single subject & predicate; *compound ~*, with more than one of either or both; *complex ~*, with subordinate clause or clauses), so **sen'ten'tial** (-shl) a. (rare); (loosely in Gram.; usu. *subordinate ~*) subordinate clause. 4. Small amount of speech, usu. that between two full stops often including several grammatical ~s (e.g. *I went & he came*). 5. v.t. State ~ of (condemned criminal, or transf.), declare condemned to. [OF, f. L *sententia* (for *sentie*) f. *sentire* be of opinion, -ENCE]

sen'ten'tious (-shus), a. Aphoristic, pithy, given to the use of maxims, affecting a concise impressive style; (of style) affectedly formal; (of persons) fond of pompously moralizing. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [prec., -OUS]

sen'tient (-shi-), a. Having the power of sense-perception. Hence **sen'tientness** (-shi-) n., ~LY³ adv. [L *sentire* feel, -ENT]

sen'timent, n. 1. A mental feeling, the sum of what one feels on some subject, a tendency or view based on or coloured with emotion, such feelings collectively as an influence, (*the ~ of pity, patriotism*; *animated by noble ~s*; *my ~ towards him is one of respect*; *~ unchecked by reason is a bad guide*; these are, often joc. *them's*, *my ~s*, that is what I think about it). 2. (Art) moving quality resulting from artist's sympathetic insight into what is described or depicted. 3. Tendency to be swayed by feeling rather than by reason,

emotional weakness, mawkish tenderness or the display of it, nursing of the emotions, whence **sen'timen'tal** a., **sen'timen'tal'ly** adv., **sen'timen'tal'ity** n., **sen'timen'talism**, **sen'timen'talist**, nn., **sen'timen'talism**(2, 3) v.l. & t. 4. (Sense intended to be conveyed by) the expression of some desire or view esp. as formulated for a toast etc. (*the ~ is good though the words are injudicious etc.*; *conclude one's speech with a ~*; *I call upon Mr Jones for a song or a ~*). [OE (-ement), f. med.L *sentimentum* (L *sentire* feel, -MENT)]

sen'tinel, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Soldier posted to keep guard (cf. foll.); (also ~ *crab*) Indian-Ocean crab with long eye-stalks. 2. v.t. Keep guard over or in (poet.); station ~s at or in (rare). [f. OF *sentinelle* f. It. *sentinella*, both fem. & perh. orig. = watchtower]

sen'try, n. (Term in ordinary mil. use for) sentinel; ~board, platform for ~ outside ship's gangway; ~box, wooden cabin large enough to hold ~ standing; ~go, duty of pacing up & down as ~. [perh. f. *centinel* 16th-c. var. of prec.]

sen'su (-tsa), It. prep. = without, in mus. directions as ~ *lên'pô*, not in strict time.

sep'al, n. One of the divisions of the calyx, calyx-leaf, (cf. PETAL). [assim. of L *separ* separate to term. of *petal*]

sep'arate¹, a. & n. 1. Physically disconnected, forming a unit that is or may be regarded as apart or by itself, distinct, individual, of individuals, (*from*, or *abs.*; *the ~ members of the body*; *the ~ volumes may be had singly*; *live in ~ rooms*; *live ~*; *the two questions are essentially ~*; *one is quite ~ from the other*; ~ & corporate or common ownership; ~ estate, married woman's property when not subject to husband's control; ~ maintenance, husband's allowance to wife from whom he lives ~ by consent, cf. *alimony*; hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n., & (esp. w. ref. to political or ecclesiastical independence, opp. *unionism*, -ist) **sep'aratism**(3) n., **sep'aratist**(2) n. & a. 2. n. Copy of single article etc. reprinted from proceedings of society, magazine, etc., for ~ distribution. [f. L *se(parare* arrange), -ATE¹]

sep'arâte², v.t. & i. Make separate, sever, disunite, keep (trans.) from union or contact, part (t. & l.), secede *from*, go different ways, disperse (intr.); sort or divide (milk, grain, ore, fruit, light, etc.) into constituent parts or sizes, get (cream etc.) by such process for use or rejection, whence ~ator²(2) n. Hence ~ABLE², ~ATIVE, ~ATORY (rare), aa., ~ABLY² adv., ~ABLY²ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn. [as prec., -ATE²]

sep'ar'ation, n. In vbl senses; esp. partial divorce, divorce from bed & board without dissolution of marriage tie (*judicial* ~, ordered by court); ~ allowance, that made by soldier etc., with larger Govern-

ment augmentation, to his wife etc. [OF, f. L. *separationem* (prec., -ION)]

Sephard'i, n. (pl. -im). Spanish or Portuguese Jew. [f. Heb. *Sephardā* (see *Obad.* 20) Spain]

sép'ia, n. Black fluid of CUTTLE-fish; brown pigment prepared from this used in monochrome drawing & in water-colours (*warm* ~, mixture of this with some red), dark reddish-brown colour; (also ~drawing) a drawing done in ~. [L f. Gk (sé-), = cuttle or its ink]

sép'oy, n. Native Indian soldier disciplined by European methods, esp. one of those serving in British-Indian army (~*mutiny*, = Indian MUTINY). [f. Hind. *sipahi* native soldier f. Pers. *sipahi* soldier (*sipah* army)]

séps, n. Kinds of skink, serpent lizard. [Gk (sé-), f. *sépō* rot, w. ref. to effect of bite]

sép'sis, n. (med.). Putrefaction, contamination from festering wound etc., blood-poisoning. [Gk (sé-), as prec.]

sépt, n. Clan, esp. in Ireland. [f. OF *septe* var. of *SECTE*]

sépt-, séptiēm-, sépti-, comb. forms of L *septem* seven: *sép'tan*, (of fever) recurring every 8th (Inclus. 7th) day; *sép'tangle*, ~*angular*, heptagon(al); ~*empart'ite*, divided into 7 parts; ~*enā'ius*, verse (esp. Latin) of 7 feet esp. trochaic tetrameter catalectic; ~*en'ary* a. & n., of or involving the number 7, on basis of 7, by sevens, ~ennial, set of 7; *sép'tenate* (Bot.), having 7 parts; ~*enn'ate*, (arrangement made for) period of 7 years; ~*enn'ial*(ly), of, for, (recurring) every 7 years; ~*enn'ium* (pl. -ia), period of 7 years; ~*ell(ie)'*, (composition for) group of 7 singers or players, (transf.) any set of 7; ~*foli*, the plant tormentil, seven-lobed figure esp. as R.-C. symbol of the 7 sacraments; ~*ilat'eral*, seven-sided; ~*ill'ion* (-yon), || seventh power of a million, 1 with 42 ciphers; ~*isyll'able*, word of 7 syllables; *sép'tuple* a. & n. & v.t. & i., sevenfold (amount), multiply by 7, increase sevenfold.

septa. See **SEPTUM**.

sép'tal, a. Of sept(s), septum, or septa. [-AL]

sép'tâte, a. (bot., zool., anat.). Having septum or septa, partitioned. Hence ~*A'TION* n. [SEPTUM, -ATE²]

Séptēm'ber, n. Ninth month of year. [OF (-bre), f. L. *September* (SEPT-, cf. DECEMBER)]

Séptēm'brist, n. Participator in the massacres in Paris Sept. 2, 3, 1792. [F (-e), see -IST]

sép'tic, a. & n. (med.). 1. Of or involving sepsis, putrefying; ~*tank* (in which sewage is disintegrated through bacterial activity); hence *sép'tically* adv., *sép-*

tif'ITY n. 2. n. ~ substance. [f. LL f. Gk *septikos* (*septos* f. *sépō* rot, -IC)]

sépticaem' [ia (-sēm-), n. (path.). Blood-poisoning. Hence ~IC a. [mod. L, f. Gk *septikos* see prec., *haima* blood, & -IA¹]

sép'timal, a. Of the number 7. [f. L *septem* seven, after *decimal*]

sép'time (-ēm), n. Fencing-position. [f. L *septimus* seventh (*septem* seven)]

sép'timus. See **PRIMUS**¹.

séptuagénā'ian, a. & n. (Person) between 69 & 80. [foll., -AN]

séptuagén'ary, a. Of seventy. [f. L *septuagenarius* (*septuageni* seventy each f. *septuaginta* seventy, -ARY¹)]

Séptuagés'ima, n. (Also ~ *Sunday*) Sunday before Sexagesima. [L, = seventieth (day), prob. named loosely as before **SEXAGESIMA**]

sép'tuagint, n. Greek version of O.T. including the Apocrypha said to have been made about 270 B.C. by seventy-two translators. [f. L *septuaginta* seventy]

sép'tum, n. (anat., bot., zool.; pl. -ta). Partition such as that between the nostrils or the chambers of a poppy-fruit, dissepiment. [L (also *sae-*), = fence (*sae-pire* *saept* f. *sarpes* hedge)]

sép'ulch'ral (-kral), a. Of sepulchre(s) or sepulture (~ *mound*, *pillar*, etc.; ~ *customs*); suggestive of the tomb, funereal, gloomy, dismal, (a ~ *look*, *voice*). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *sepulchralis* (foll., -AL)]

sép'ulchre (-ker), n., & v.t. 1. Tomb esp. cut in rock or built of stone or brick, burial vault or cave, (*the Holy S-*, in which Christ was laid; *whited* ~, hypocrite, w. ref. to *Matt.* xxiii. 27). 2. v.t. Lay in ~, serve as ~ for. [OF (-cre), f. L *sepulcrum* (*sepelire* *sepult*-, suf. -*crum* cf. *simulacrum*)]

sép'ulture, n. Burying, putting in the grave. [OF, f. L *sepultura* (prec., -URE)]

séqua'cious (-shus), a. (pedant.). Inclined to follow, lacking independence or originality, servile; (of reasoning or reasoner) not inconsequent, coherent. Hence ~LY² adv., *séqua'cious* n. [L *sequax* (*sequi* follow), -ACIOUS]

séq'uel, n. What follows after, continuation or resumption of a story or process or the like after a pause or provisional ending, (*in the* ~, as things developed afterwards); after effects, upshot; (rare) result of a chain of argument, logical inference, conclusion. [OF (-lle), as foll.]

séquel'a, n. (path.); usu. in pl. -ae). Morbid condition or symptom following upon some disease. [L (*sequi* follow)]

séq'uence, n. 1. Succession, coming after or next, set of things that belong next each other on some principle of order, series without gaps, (*shall follow the ~ of events*, *give the facts in historical ~*; *calamities fall in rapid ~*; a ~ of clubs etc. in

cards, three or more next each other in value; the ~ *spring, summer, autumn, winter*. 2. Mere succession without implication of causality (~ is related to consequence as post hoc to propter hoc; is causality, is a law of nature, anything beyond invariable ~?), so (& rarely in other senses) *sequent, sequential* (-shl), aa., *sequentially* adv., *sequentiality* (-shi-) n. 3. (Cinemat.) incident in a film story recorded consecutively (corresponding to a scene in a play). 4. (Mus.) succession of similar melodic phrases at different pitches. 5. (Gram.) ~ of tenses, accommodation of subordinate vb in tense or mood according to certain rules to tense or mood of principal vb (e.g. *I should think you were satisfied now*). 6. (Ecccl.) hymn said or sung after the Alleluia that precedes the Gospel (also prose). [f. LL *sequentia* (prec., -ENCE)]

*sequentis, sequentia (-shla), (abbr. *sequ or sequ.)* L wds = (&) the following lines, (&) what follows, appended (with or without et and) to line or page numbers in references. [pl. part. of *L sequi* follow]*

seques'ter, v.t. & i. 1. Seclude, isolate, set apart, (~ oneself from the world; esp. in p.p.; as a ~ed life, retreat, cottage). 2. (Law; also *seques'trate*, or *sék-wis-*, v.t.) seize temporary possession of (debtor's estate etc.), remove (debatable property) from control of party to lawsuit, (intr.; of widow) renounce concern in husband's estate. 3. (Also *sequester*) confiscate, appropriate; hence or cogn. *seques'tra'tion, seques'tra'tion*, mn., *seques'trable* (or *sék-wis-*) a. [f. LL *sequesterare* commit for safe keeping (*L sequester* trustee, agent, cf. *secus* apart)] *seques'trium, n. (pl. ~a).* Pile of dead bone detached from living bone but remaining in place. Hence ~al a., *seques'tro'my* n. [neut. of *L sequester* adj. standing apart]

sequin, n. (Hist.) Venetian gold coin of about 9/4; coinlike ornament of silver, jet, etc., sewn on to dresses etc. [F. f. It. *zecchino* (zecca mint f. Arab. *sikka* die)]

sequoi'a, n. Kinds of Californian coniferous tree of great height. [f. *Sequoia*, a Cherokee pers. name]

sérac (sérák'), n. One of the castellated masses into which a glacier is divided at steep points by the crossing of crevasses (usu. in pl.). [Swiss F, orig. name of a cheese]

sera'glio (-ahlyō), n. (pl. ~s). Walled palace, esp. (hist.) that of Sultan with government offices etc. at Constantinople; harem. [f. It. *seraglio* enclosure (*serare* lock, f. LL *serare* f. *L sera* bolt f. *serere* join, -aglo = *L acquirere*)]

serai (-ri, -rah'i), n. = CARAVANSERAI.

sering, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Native head of a Lascar crew, [f. Pers. *sarhang* commander]

sé'raph, n. (pl. ~im, ~s). Celestial being; one of the highest ORDER¹ of ninefold celestial hierarchy gifted esp. with love & associated with light, ardour, & purity; (Order of the S~im, Swedish order of knighthood). Hence *seráph'ic* a. (the S~ic Doctor, St Bonaventura), *seráph'ically* adv. [earlier -ia etc. as with ORERUB; f. Heb. *seraphim* pl., *sgraphs*, perh. f. *sáraph* to burn]

sé'raphine (-én), n. Early form of harmonium. [prec., -INE¹]

séraskier, n. Turkish general commanding, commander-in-chief, or minister of war; ~di, war office. [Turk. f. Pers. = head of army]

Sérb a. & n., *Sérb'ian* a. & n. (Native, language) of Serbia. Hence *Sérbo-*comb. form. [f. Serb. *Srb, Serb*]

Serbôn'ian bog, n. Treacherous bog formerly existing between delta of Nile & isthmus of Suez, (fig.) situation from which escape is difficult. [Gk *Serbónis*, -IAN]

sére¹, sear¹, n. Catch of gun-lock holding hammer at half or full cock. [f. OF *serre* lock (*serre* f. LL *serare* see SERAGLIO)]

sere². See SEAR¹.

serén (serán'), n. Fine rain falling in tropical climates from cloudless sky. [F]

sérénád'e, n., & v.t. 1. Evening song or instrumental piece sung or played by lover at his lady's window; = foll. 2. v.t. Sing or play ~e to; hence ~er¹ n. [OF, f. It. *serenata* (*sereno* open air f. *L* as *SERENE*); see -ADE]

sérén'a'ta (-nah-), n. (mus.). Cantata with pastoral subject; simple form of orchestral or wind-band suite. [It. (prec.)]

séréndip'ity, n. The faculty of making happy and unexpected discoveries by accident. [coined by Horace Walpole after *The Three Princes of Serendip* (Ceylon), a fairy-tale]

serène', a. & n., & v.t. 1. (Of sky, air, etc.) clear & calm, (of sea etc.) unruffled; placid, tranquil, unperturbed, (a ~ temper, look, life); || (sl.) all ~, all right; *His, Her, Their, Your, S~ Highness(es)*, abbr. H.S.H., T.S.H., titles used of or to certain continental princes; hence or cogn. ~ly¹ adv., *serén'ity* n. (*your* etc. *Serenity*, S~ Highness). 2. n. ~ expanse of sky, sea, etc. 3. v.t. (poet.). Make (sky, brow, etc.) ~. [f. *L serenus*]

serf, n. Villein, person whose service is attached to the soil & transferred with it (cf. SLAVE); oppressed person, drudge. Hence ~AGE, ~DOM, ~HOOD, an. [OF, f. *L servus* slave]

serge, n. Kind of durable twilled worsted fabric used esp. for rough wear (*silk ~*, used for tailor's linings). [orig. a silk stuff; OF, f. *L sericus* fam. of *sericus* silken (*Sericus* Chinese f. Gk *Sêres* pl. the Chinese, -IO)]

sargeant, -j-, (sár'jant), n. 1. (Hist.)

lawyer of high rank (-j-). 2. (Mil.; -g-; abbr. *Serjt*) non-commissioned officer above corporal, employed to teach drill, command small detachments, etc. (~major or regimental ~major, R.S.M., warrant officer assisting adjutant of regiment or battalion; company ~major, C.S.M., highest non-comd officer of company; lance~, corporal acting as ~). 3. Police officer ranking between inspector & constable (-g-). 4. *Serjeant-at-arms*, title of certain court, parliamentary, & city officials with ceremonial duties; *Common Serjeant*, officer of City of London; ~fish (-g-), sea-fish with lateral stripes suggesting chevron. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *sergent* f. L *servientem* nom. -ens servant (L *servire* SERVE, -ENT)]

sergétte (-j-), n. Thin serge. [F (SERGE, -ETTE)]

ser'ial, a. & n. 1. Of, in, forming, a series, whence ~ITY (-ál-) n.; (of story etc.) issued in instalments (~rights, copyright in regard to story etc. so issued), whence ~IST (i) n.; (of publication) periodical; hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. ~story; a ~publication, periodical, (rare). Hence ~IZE v.t. [SERIES, -AL]

ser'iate, -áted, aa., **ser'iate** v.t. (Arrange) in the form of a series, in orderly sequence. Hence **ser'iation** n. [L SERIES, -ATE², ³]

ser'iat'im (or **ser-**), adv. Point by point, taking one subject etc. after another in regular order, (*consider, examine, discuss, take*, etc., ~). [med. L (proc., -im advl term.)]

Ser'ic, a. (rhet. etc.). Chinese. [f. L as

seri'ceous (-shus), a. (bot., zool.). Of silky or satiny surface, soft & shiny, covered with glossy down. [f. L *sericeus* silken (*sericum* silk, see SERGE), -OUS]

ser'ri(c)i culture, n. Silkworm-breeding, production of raw silk. Hence ~cul'tural a., ~cul'turist(3) n., (-cher-). [F (-ci-), see prec., -i-, CULTURE]

ser'riem'a, n. Sonorous-voiced Brazilian bird of heron size preying on serpents. [native]

ser'ies (-z), n. (pl. same). 1. Number of things of which each is similar to the preceding or related to it as it to its predecessor, sequence, succession, order, row, set, (*a ~ of kings, misfortunes; in ~, in ordered succession; ~ of stamps, coins*, etc., of different denominations but issued at one time, in one reign, etc.; *the whole ~ of reform acts*). 2. (Bibliog.) set of successive issues of a periodical, of articles on one subject or by one writer, etc., esp. (*first, second*, etc., ~) when numbered differently from a preceding or following set, also set of independent books in common format or under common title or supervised by common general editor, (*Guesses at Truth, 2nd S~; the Men-of-*

Letters ~). 3. (Geol.) set of strata with common characteristic. 4. (Chem.) set of elements with common properties or of compounds with common radical. 5. (Math.) set of terms constituting a progression or having the several values determined by a common relation (*arithmetical, geometrical*, ~, one in ARITHMETICAL, GEOMETRICAL, progression). 6. (Electr.) set of batteries etc. having positive electrode of each connected with negative of next. 7. (Zool.) number of connected genera, families, etc. (used vaguely like GROUP). [L (*serere* join, cf. Gk *eirō* bind)]

ser'rif, (now rare) **cé'riph**, n. Cross-line finishing off a stroke of a letter (esp. in SANSERIF; This has ~s: This is sanserif). [1]

ser'in, n. Central-Europ. finch related to canary. [F, etym. dub.]

serinette', n. Instrument for teaching cage-birds to sing; kind of small barrel-organ, musical box, etc. [F (*seriner* teach to sing f. prec., -ETTE)]

sering'a (-nag-), n. = SYRINGA; kinds of Brazilian rubber-tree. [F, = Pg. *seringa* f. LL SYRINGA]

serio-côm'ic, a. Combining the serious & the comic, jocular in intention but counterfeiting seriousness or vice versa. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [-O-]

ser'ios'ō, mus. direction. With solemnity. [It.]

ser'ious, a. 1. Thoughtful, earnest, sober, sedate, responsible, not frivolous or reckless or given to trifling, (*has a ~ look, air; a ~ young person; ~ politician*, who gives his best energies to politics; ~ *thought*, real deliberation). 2. Important, demanding consideration, not to be trifled with, not slight, (*this is a ~ matter, question, step; made a ~ alteration; have a ~ rival in her affections; ~ illness, danger, wound, damage, accident, defeat*). 3. Sincere, not ironical or jesting in earnest, (*are you ~?* do you mean what you say?; *made a ~ attempt*, not merely perfunctory; & *now to be ~*). 4. Concerned with religion or ethics, not worldly or secular, (~ *subjects* etc.); (now chiefly joc.) religious-minded, with thoughts concentrated on salvation. Hence ~LY² adv. (esp. as preface to sentence implying that irony etc. is now to cease), ~NESS n. [f. LL *seriosus* (L *serius* etym. dub., -OSE¹)]

ser'riph, n. = SERIF.

serjeant. See SERGEANT.

serm'on, n., & v.t. 1. Extempore or written discourse delivered from the pulpit by way of religious instruction or exhortation, similar discourse (often *lay ~*) on religious or moral subject delivered elsewhere or published, (*S~ on the Mount*, discourse of Christ reported *Mat. v-vii*); moral reflection suggested by natural objects etc. (esp. ~s in stones); piece of

admonition or reproof, lecture. 2. v.t. Administer such ~ to. Hence ~ETTE', ~ET¹, nn., ~IZE(1, 2) v.t. & i., ~IZER¹ n. [OF, f. L *sermone* nom. -o speech]

sé-ro-, comb. form of SERUM: ~purulent, of serum & pus; ~sanguinolent, & blood.

sé'rotine, n. Chestnut-coloured European bat. [F(sé-), f. L *serotinus* late (serus late)]

sérôt'inous, a. (bot.). Appearing late in season. [prec., -OUS]

sér'ous, a. Of or like serum, watery, whey-like. Hence séros'ITY n. [f. F *séreuse* f. L *serosus* (SERUM, -OUS)]

serp'ent, n. Scaly limbless reptile, snake esp. of the larger kinds, (preferred to SNAKE chiefly in rhet. use; *the, the old, S~*, the devil, w. ref. to *Gen. iii, Rev. xx*), (fig.) treacherous person esp. one who worms himself into favour for base ends; *the S~*, a northern constellation; obsolete wind-instrument, a wooden tube with several bends giving powerful note; *Pharaoh's ~*, chemical toy of small cone that when ignited issues in long coiling ~like ash; ~charmer, person who charms ~s esp. by music; ~eater, SECRETARY-bird; ~grass, Alpine bistort; ~lizard, seps; ~s-tongue, ADDER's-tongue. Hence serpén'tiform, ~LIKE, aa. [OF, f. L *serpente* nom. -ens, orig. part. of *serpere* creep, cogn. w. Gk *herpo* creep, Skr. *sarpa* snake]

serp'entine, a. & n., & v.i. 1. Of or like a serpent lit. or fig., writhing, coiling, tortuous, sinuous, meandering, cunning, subtle, treacherous, (~ windings, of stream, road, etc., or of insinuation; ~ motion; ~ wisdom, profound, w. ref. to *Mat. x. 16*; ~ dance, with sinuous movements enhanced by special drapery; ~ verse, line beginning & ending with same word; || *the S~*, ornamental water in Hyde Park). 2. n. Kinds of hydrous silicate of magnesium, soft rocks of dark green & other colours sometimes mottled or spotted like serpent's skin, taking high polish & used as decorative material; (Skating) wavy line produced by changes of edge. 3. v.i. Move sinuously, meander. [f. OF *serpentin* a., *serpentine* n., f. L *serpentinus* -a (prec., -INE¹)]

serpi'ginous, a. (path.). Affected with herpes; (of skin-disease etc.) creeping from one part to another. [obs. & med. L *serpigo* -ginis ringworm (L *serpere* creep), -OUS]

serp'ula, n. (pl. -ae). Kinds of marine worm inhabiting beautifully coloured tortuous calcareous tubes often massed together. [LL. = small serpent (L *serpere* creep)]

sér'ra, n. (anat., bot., zool.; pl. -ae). Serrated organ, structure, or edge. [L. = saw, perh. f. *serare* cut]

sér'rill'a, n. Kind of clover grown as [Port. dim. of serrado SERRATE a.] a., sér'rill'e v.t. (chiefly anat.,

bot., zool.). 1. Notched like saw. 2. v.t. (Usu. in p.p. as adj.) provide with saw-like edge. Hence sér'rati'ON n. [f. L *serratus* (-ATE¹), -ATE²]

sér'rille, n. (mil.; usu. in pl.). Person in, (pl.) the line of supernumerary & non-commissioned officers in, rear of squadron or troop. [F, f. *serrer* (see SERRIED) + file (see FILE¹)]

sér'ril-, comb. form (-i-) of SERRA: ~corn, (beetle) with serrate antennae; ~FEROUS; ~FORM; ~ros'trate, (of bird) with serr bill.

sér'ried (-rid), a. (Of ranks of soldiers, rows of trees, etc.) shoulder to shoulder, without gaps, close. [angliciz. of F p.p. of *serrer* close f. LL *serare* see SERRA-GLIO]

sér'rull'âte (-rû-), -âtéd, aa. Finely serrate, with series of small notches. Hence ~A'TION n. [L *serrula* (SERRA, -ULE), -ATE²]

sér'um, n. Whey; thin transparent part of the blood; chyle, lymph, watery animal fluid; (Path.) blood ~ of an animal used as therapeutic agent; ~ sickness, skin eruption, fever, etc., sometimes following injections of ~. [L, cf. Gk *oros* whey, Skr. *sara*(a) flowing]

sér'v'al, n. Tawny black-spotted African tiger-cat. [F, f. Port.]

sér'vant, n. 1. Person who has undertaken usu. in return for stipulated pay to carry out the orders of an individual or corporate employer, esp. one who lives in house of master or mistress receiving board & lodging & wages & performing domestic duties (*public* ~s, State officials; || *railway company's* ~s, its employees; *civil* ~, member of the civil service; *outdoor* ~, groom, gardener, etc.; *indoor* ~, cook, butler, footman, housemaid, etc.; *domestic*, GENERAL, LIVERY¹, ~; ~girl, -maid; *the ~ question*, problem of getting & controlling ~s; *keeps three* ~s; ~s' hall, room in which ~s of large household have meals etc.; ~ of ~s, lowest of dependants, esp. as title assumed by Popes, transl. of *servus servorum Dei*; a good ~ but a bad master, of things that should be treated as means & not ends). 2. Devoted follower, person willing to serve another, (a ~ of Jesus Christ; || *your humble* ~, arch., form of ironical courtesy; || *your obedient* ~, epistolary form preceding signature now used only in letters of official type). [OF (SERVE, -ANT)]

serve, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Be servant (to), do service (to), be useful (to), (~ two masters, be divided between two conflicting principles etc.; ~ the Lord or God, be religious or virtuous; ~ the devil, be wicked; ~ tables, postpone spiritual to bodily needs, see *Acts vi. 2*; ~ at table, act as waiter; *has ~d his generation*; *would do much to ~ you*; *indiscretion sometimes ~s us well*; ~ in army, navy, etc., be employed in it; *has ~d in India*, been employed

esp. as soldier). 2. Meet needs (of), avail (t. & i.), suffice (t. & i.), satisfy, perform function, be suitable, do what is required for, (~ a purpose; ~ the purpose of, take place of, be used as; to ~ some private ends; ~s the or one's turn or need, does well enough; it will ~, do what is absolutely necessary; that excuse will not ~ you; it ~s to show the folly of; I lb. ~s him for a week; nothing would ~ him or ~ but absolute submission; a sofa serving him, or serving, as or for a bed; as memory ~s, whenever one remembers; as occasion ~s, when it is favourable; the tide ~s, is suitable for getting out of harbour etc.; curate ~s two parishes, does the work; ~ an office, go through a tenure of it; ~ one's apprenticeship, go through training; ~ a sentence, undergo it for the full time; ~ one's time, hold office for normal period, also ~ a sentence; ~ time, undergo imprisonment etc.; ~ gun, battery, keep it firing; ~ mare etc., cover, esp. of stallion etc. hired for purpose; ~ rope etc., Naut., bind with small cord to save fraying). 3. Dish up, set (food) on table, set out ready, distribute (trans. & abs.), supply (person with), make legal delivery of (writ etc.), set ball or set (ball) in play, (flash ~d up nearly cold; asparagus ~d with butter; ~ up dinner: dinner is ~d, servant's announcement that it is ready; ~ ammunition, rations, etc., out or round; was serving a customer with stockings, serving in the shop; have them ~d with soup; ~ with the same sauce, fig., retaliate upon; ~ person, the town, etc., with gas, water; ~ with writ etc., = ~ writ etc. on; ~ warrant, writ, notice, process, attachment, etc., usu. on person, deliver document to person concerned in legally formal manner; tennis, racquet, etc., player ~s a ball, ~s well, badly, etc., sends ball to opponent in first stroke of round). 4. Treat, treat to, pay (person) out, (has ~d me shamefully; you may ~ me as you will; ~d them a trick, playing it on them; ~ or ~s him right!, excl. of satisfaction at sight of offender getting his deserts; shall manage to ~ him out, retaliate). 5. || Serving-man, male servant. Hence (-)serf'vən (1, 2) n., (also, Eccl.) celebrant's assistant. 6. n. (Tennis etc.) first stroke of round, turn for delivering this (whose ~ is it?). [f. OF servir f. L. servire (servus slave)]

Serv'ian¹. Var. of, & till 1914 more usual than, SERBIAN.

Serv'ian², a. (Rom. Ant.). Of Servius Tullius sixth king of Rome (~ wall, built by him & still existing in parts). [-AN]

serv'ice¹, n., & v.t. 1. Being servant, servant's status, master's or mistress's employ, (girl etc. goes out to, goes into, tries, to do, ~; takes ~ with, become servant to; take into one's ~, employ). 2. Department of royal or public employ or of

work done to meet some general need, persons engaged in it, employment in it, (the fighting, or the, ~s, navy, army, & air force; the public ~s; the civil, COVENANTED, consular, SECRET, bus, railway, etc., ~; the preventive ~, coastguards, custom-house, etc.; is on ~, in active ~, actually engaged in such employ; see ~, have experience esp. as soldier or sailor); (attrib.) of the kind issued to the ~ (the ~ rifle). 3. Person's disposal or behalf (at your etc. ~, ready to obey orders or be used; || on his, her, Majesty's ~, abbr. O.H.M.S., frank stamped on official letters etc.). 4. What employee or subordinate is bound to, work done or doing of work on behalf of employer, benefit conferred on or exertion made on behalf of someone, expression of willingness to confer or make these, (personal ~, feudal obligation of homage etc.; feudal, menial, willing, YEOMAN's, ~; has a right to my ~; asks for my ~s; will you do me a ~?; exaggerates his own ~s; has seen ~, been much used, shows signs of wear; my ~ to him, form of respectful message). 5. Use, assistance, (can I, will it, be of ~ to you?). 6. Liturgical form or office appointed for use on some occasion, (whole proceedings, usu. including one such ~ or more, of) single meeting of congregation for worship, musical setting of all or several of the invariable parts of a liturgy adapted for such treatment, (the communion, burial, etc., ~; special ~s; divine ~ usu. without a, meeting for worship; holds four ~s every Sunday; are you going to ~ or the ~?; —'s ~, setting by particular composer; full ~, performed by choir without solos, also ~ with music wherever possible; plain ~, read or monotoned; ~book, book of offices of a Church, e.g. the Book of Common Prayer; CHURCH ~). 7. Legal serving of or of writ etc. (personal ~, delivery with announcement of contents to person affected; ~ by publication, substitution, publishing of writ etc. by posting up or insertion in newspaper or by handing to neighbour etc. recognized as sufficient under some conditions; ACCEPT ~). 8. Set of dishes, plates, etc., required for serving meal (dinner, dessert, tea, etc., ~). 9. (Traffic) set of trains, steamers, buses, etc., plying at stated times. 10. (Single act of) serving in tennis etc., serve, manner of serving, person's turn to serve, (his ~ is weak, terrific; whose ~ is it?; ~-line, marking limit short of which serve must fall). 11. Expert assistance or advice given to customers after sale by manufacturers or vendors of an article, e.g. a motor-car or wireless set (so ~ department, depot, station). 12. ~ area (Wireless), area round broadcasting station within which satisfactory reception may be expected; ~ dress, ordinary uniform (opp. full dress); ~ suit

(in which domestic ~ and meals are provided by the management); || ~ *hatch* (through which dishes are passed to dining-room); ~ *pipe* (conveying water or gas from the main to a building). 13. v.t. Maintain or repair (car etc.) after sale. [OF, f. L. *servitium* (servus slave)]

servicé, n. (Usu. ~ *tree*) European tree rare in England with leaves like those of mountain-ash & small pear-shaped fruit (~ *berry* or ~) eaten when over-ripe. [f. *serve* pl. of obs. *serve* f. L. *sorbum* berry of the *sorbus* taken as sing. & assimilated to prec.]

servíceable (-sabl), a. Of use, useful, willing & able to render or capable of rendering service, (a ~ *person*, *reminder*, *instrument*); durable, suited for rough use or ordinary wear rather than for ornament. Hence ~ *LY* adv., ~ *NESS* n. [f. OF *servicable* (SERVICE¹, -ABLE)]

serviette, n. Table-napkin (chiefly used by & to waiters or servants). [F]

servile (or -il), a. Of, being, a slave or slaves, slave, (~ *war*, between revolted slaves & their owners; ~ *class*, *labour*; ~ *letter*, fig., having no other function than to indicate pronunciation of another, as *e* in manageable, saleable); as of a slave, slavish, cringing, mean-spirited, menial, completely dependent, (~ *spirit*, *creature*, *submission*, *flattery*, *fear*, *imitation*), so **servil'ity** n.; ~ *works* (Eccl.), menial or mechanical work forbidden on Sundays and major Church festivals. Hence ~ *LY* adv. [f. L. *servilis* (servus slave, -il)]

servitor, n. Attendant, henchman, servant, (arab., poet.); || (Oxf. Univ.; hist.) undergraduate assisted from college funds & performing menial duties in return, whence ~ *SHIP* n. [OF f. LL (SERVE, -OR³)]

servitude, n. Slavery lit. or fig., subjection esp. involuntary to a master, bondage (PENAL ~); (Law) subjection of tenement to an easement. [F, f. LL *servitudo* (servus slave, -TUDE)]

Servo-, = *Serbo-* (see *SERBIAN*).

serv'o-mōt'or, n. Auxiliary motor, esp. one for operating the reversing gear of a large marine engine. [f. F *servo-moteur* (L servus slave)]

sés'amé, n. Annual herbaceous tropical & subtropical plant with seeds used in various ways as food & yielding an oil used in salads & as laxative; its seeds; *open* ~, (w. ref. to Arabian-Nights tale) magical or mysterious means of commanding access to what is usu. inaccessible. [f. L f. Gk *sésamé*]

sés'amoid, a. & n. 1. Shaped like a sesame-seed, nodular, (esp. of small independent bones developed in tendons passing over angular structure, as the knee-pan & the navicular bone). 2. n. Such bone. [f. L f. Gk *sésamoidés* (prec., -oid)]

sés'eli, n. Genus of white-flowered umbelliferous perennial plants. [OF, f. L f. Gk]

sés'qui-, L pref. (perh. f. *semis-que* & a half), = one & a half (~ *pedalis* a foot & a half long), proportioned as 1½:1 or 3:2 (~ *alter*), proportioned as n+1: n (~ *tertius*, ~ *quartus*, etc., in ratios 4:3, 5:4, etc.). Hence in E: 1. Chem. wds for compounds in which there are three equivalents of the named element to two of 1ers, as ~ *oxide*, ~ *sulphide*; ~ *bas'ic*, (of salt) with three of base to two of acid. 2. Math. wds expressing ratios as above, ~ *al'teral* 3:2, ~ *ter'tial* 4:3, ~ *quar'tal*, ~ *quin'tal*, ~ *sex'tal*, ~ *sep'timal*, ~ *octav'al*, ~ *non'al* 10:9. 3. Mus. wds in -a corresponding to the above & expressing intervals (~ *al'tera* interval having ratio 2:3, ~ *ter'tia* 3:4, etc.). 4. Miscellaneous wds, as ~ *centenn'al*, (of a one-hundred-&-fiftieth anniversary); ~ *ocell'us* (Entom.), large spot with smaller one within it (also ~ *alter*); ~ *pedal'ian*, (of word) 1½ ft long, cumbersome & pedantic; ~ *sesquip'it'icute*, in ratio of cube to square; ~ *tone*, musical interval of 1½ tone.

sess. See *CESS*.

séss'ile, a. (bot., zool.). (Of flower, leaf, eye, etc.) attached directly by the base without stalk or peduncle. [f. L *sessilis* (sedere sess- sit, -il)]

sé'ssion (-shn), n. 1. Being seated, sitting posture, (rare). 2. Being assembled esp. for transaction of deliberative or judicial business, single uninterrupted meeting for such purpose, period during which such meetings are held daily or at short or regular intervals, period (usu. one in a year) between meeting & prorogation of Parliament, (in ~, sitting or assembled for business, not keeping vacation; *had a long* ~, sat assembled a long time; *autumn* ~, incorrectly for *autumn sitting*, resumption of ~ of Parliament occas. required by pressure of business after long adjournment in summer without prorogation); (esp. Sc. & U.S.) university term. 3. || *QUARTER* ~; || *BREWSTER* ~ *SESSIONS*; || *petty* ~s, meeting of two or more justices of the peace for summary trying of certain offences; || *Court of S-*, supreme civil court of Scotland; *KIRK* ~. Hence ~ *AL* (-shon-) a. (~ *al order*, Parl., valid only for, renewable each, ~). [F, f. L *sessionem* (prec., -ion)]

sés'térce, **sés'tér'tius** (-shus; pl. -ti), nm. Ancient-Roman silver (& later bronze) coin & money of account = ½ denarius or 2½ (later 4) asses. [f. L (-ius) orig. adj. with *nummus* coin = 2½ (**semistertius* half-third)]

sés'tér'tium (-shm), n. (pl. -ia). Ancient-Roman money of account = 1000 *sesterces*. [orig. gen. pl. of prec. after *milla* thousands]

séstét', n. = *SEXTET*; last six lines of

sonnet. [f. It. *sestetto* (*sesto* f. L. *sextus* sixth, -*us*)]

sesti'na (-tē), n. Form of rhymed or unrhymed poem with six stanzas of six lines & final triplet, each stanza having same words as the others ending its lines but in different order. [It. (prec., -*ina*)]

set', v.t. & i. (*set*). 1. General senses.

1. Put, lay, stand (trans.), (usu. with adv. or advl phr.; ~ *load* or *passenger down*, *statue up*, *meat before person*, *flowers in water*, *one brick on another*, *his bow in heaven*; ~ *foot*, tread on; ~ *thing against* another, balance, reckon as counterpoise or compensation; ~ *apart*, reserve, separate; ~ *aside*, reserve, reject, disregard, annul; ~ *by*, reserve, save for future use; ~ *stone out*, lay it with edge projecting beyond one below; ~ *person over* others or thing, put in authority). 2. Apply (thing) to (~ *pen to paper*, *bugle to one's lips*, *spurs to horse*; ~ *one's hand*, *seal*, to document, sign, seal; ~ *one's hand to* task, begin; ~ *fire to*, kindle; ~ *the axe to*, begin to cut down or destroy; ~ *one's wits to* question, try to solve; ~ *one's wits to* another's, argue with him; ~ *SHOULDER to wheel*). 3. Station, place ready, place or turn in right or specified position or direction, dispose suitably for use or action or display, (~ *a* or *nant*, *the watch*, put sentinels etc. in place; ~ *chairs*, for visitors etc.; ~ *clock* or *watch*, put hands to right time; ~ *alarm*, provide for its sounding at desired time; ~ *hen*, cause to sit on eggs; ~ *eggs*, place for hen to sit on; ~ *seed*, plant, put in ground; QUICK~; ~ *butterfly* etc., arrange as specimen; ~ *sail*, hoist, also = start on voyage; ~ *trap*; ~ *razor*, give even edge to after grinding; ~ *saw*, give teeth alternate outward inclination; ~ *table*, lay for meal; ~ *or* ~ *up type*, arrange it in words etc.; ~ *up M.S.*, put it in type; ~ *close*, *wide*, etc., print with small, large, spaces between words or letters; ~ *out*, ~ *wide*; ~ *one's cap* ¹ *af*). 4. Join, attach, fasten, fix, determine, decide, appoint, settle, establish, (~ *leg*, *bone*, *joint*, put parts into right relative position after fracture or dislocation, also by extension ~ *fracture* or *dislocation*; ~ *eyes on*, catch sight of; ~ *diamond* etc., insert in gold etc. as frame or foil; ~ *stake in ground*; *close*~, inserted with little interval; ~ *one's heart*, *mind*, *hopes*, etc., *on*, aspire confidently to, expect, be resolved to get; ~ *one's life on a chance* etc. metaph. from gambling, risk it; ~ *price on*, announce salable value of; ~ *person against* another or a thing, fill with settled dislike for; ~ *price on one's life or head*, offer specified reward for his killing; ~ *store* or *much by*, & ellipt. ~ *by*, estimate or value highly; ~ *one's face* or *one'sself against*, steadily oppose or discomfite; ~ *one's teeth*, clench them,

esp. fig. = make up one's mind inflexibly; often in p.p., = unmoving, fixed, as ~ *smile*, *eyes*, *look*, *purpose*; of ~ *purpose*, intentionally, deliberately; ~ *time*, prearranged; ~ *scene*, built up of more or less solid material; ~ *piece* in fireworks, built up on scaffolding; ~ *forms of prayers* etc., not extempore; ~ *speech*, composed beforehand; ~ *fair*, of weather, fine without sign of breaking; ~ *on* or *upon*, determined to get, absorbed in; *busman is* ~, has got his eye in). 5. Fix (hair) when damp so that it dries in waves. 6. Bring by placing, arranging, impelling, or other means, into specified state (~ *things right*, *to rights*, *in order*, *in motion*; ~ *one's house in order*, often fig., introduce reforms; ~ *question*, person's *heart*, *at rest*; ~ *machine going*, *coak abroad*; ~ *person on his feet* lit. & fig., *box on its end*; ~ *one in the way*, direct him; ~ *one on his way*, arch., go part way with him; ~ *one right*, disabuse him of error, correct, often with implication of officiousness etc.; ~ *one at ease*, relieve his anxieties or bashfulness; ~ *at liberty*, ~ *free*, release; ~ *persons by the ears*, at variance or loggerheads, produce quarrel; ~ *on fire*, kindle; ~ *Thames on FIRE*!; ~ *movement* etc. *on foot*, start it; ~ *table*, *company*, etc., *laughing* or *on* or *in a roar*, stir laughter; ~ *teeth on edge*!; ~ *at defiance*, defy; ~ *at naught*, mock, disregard. 7. Make sit down to task, order to apply energies to doing, cause to work, apply oneself to work, (~ *him to dictation*, *wood-chopping*, *work at his Greek*; *shall* ~ *to work now*, begin; ~ *oneself to do*, make up one's mind, resolve or undertake). 8. Exhibit or arrange as pattern or as material to be dealt with (often w. ind. obj.); ~, ~ *person*, *an example*, *task*, *problem*, etc., to be followed, done, solved, by him; ~ *the fashion*, *the pace*, determine it by leading; ~ *paper*, draw up questions to be answered by examinees; ~ *the TEMPERAMENT* in piano-tuning, arrange intervals of one octave as standard for the rest). 9. ~ (*to music*), provide (song, words) with music usu. composed for the purpose. 10. Make insertions in (surface) with *gold*, *field*, *sky*, ~ *with gems*, *daisies*, *stars*; *shall* ~ *top of wall with broken glass*, *this bed with geraniums*). 11. Turn (l. rarely t.) to solid or hard or rigid from liquid or soft or mobile state, curdle, solidify, harden, take shape, develop (usu. intr.) into definiteness or maturity, (*egg* ~ *s*, by cooking or incubation; *HARD* ~; *blossom* ~ *s*, *ferme* into fruit; *fruit* ~ *s*, develops out of blossom; *tree* ~ *s*, develops fruit; *plaster of Paris* ~ *s* quickly; *the jelly*, *junket*, *has* or *is* ~; *when his body*, *character*, *has* ~; *THICK* ~; *over-exercise* ~ *a boy's muscles prematurely*; *face* ~ *s*, takes hard expression; *eyes* ~, become motionless in death, swoon, etc.). 12.

Sink below horizon (*sun, moon, ~s; the star of Rome, his star, has or is ~, greatness is departed*). 13. (Of tide, current, etc., & transf. of feelings, customs, etc.) have motion, gather force, sweep along, show or feel tendency, (*tide ~s in, out; current ~s strongly, eastwards; opinion is ~ing against it; his soul ~s to grief*). 14. (Of sporting dog) take rigid attitude indicating presence of game; (of dancers) take position facing partners (often ~ to partners). 15. (Of garment) adapt itself to figure, sit, well, badly, etc. 16. (In some games) fix the number of points to decide the game. 17. SHARP ~. II. Special senses with adv. & prepp. 1. ~ about, begin, take steps towards, (task, doing). 2. ~ back, impede or reverse progress of, (sl.) cost (person) so much. 3. ~ down, put in writing, attribute to, explain or describe to oneself as. 4. ~ forth, make known, declare, expound, adorn, begin journey or expedition. 5. ~ forward, assist progress of, begin going forward (arch.). 6. ~ in, arise, get vogue, become established, (reaction, rain, ~ in; it ~ in to rain). 7. ~ off, act as adornment or foil to, enhance, make more striking, start (person) laughing or talking on pet subject, begin journey. 8. ~ on adv., instigate, advance to the assault; ~ on prep., urge (dog etc.) to attack (person etc.), attack. 9. ~ out, embellish, demonstrate, exhibit, declare, begin journey. 10. ~ to adv., begin doing something vigorously, esp. (usu. w. pl. subj.) fighting or arguing. 11. ~ up, develop figure of by physical training (esp. in p.p., as a well ~-up man), start (institution, business, one's carriage, etc.), occasion (soreness etc.), establish (person) or provide with means of establishment or establish oneself in some capacity (*his father, £500, ~ him up as a tobacconist or in the tobacco trade; shall ~ up as a dentist*), provide adequately in or with some article (*am ~ up with novels for the winter*), place (standard, notice, etc.) in view, begin uttering (protest, shriek, etc.) loudly, propound (theory), restore from ill-health or depression; ~ up for, make pretensions to the character of (~s up for a scholar, moralist, etc.). 12. ~ upon, ~ on prep. [OE *setian* (*sithan* sith), cf. Du. *setten*, G *setzen*]

set, n. 1. Number of things or persons that belong together as essentially similar or as complementary to each other, group, clique, collection, (~ of studs, chairs, golf-clubs, fire-irons, lectures; ~ of teeth, natural or artificial; a fine ~ of men, players, officers, etc.; dinner ~, dinner service); toilet ~, vessels of wash-hand-stand; the fast, best, racing, smart, literary, political, etc., ~, sections of society consorting together; ~ of quadrilles or ~, figures that make up a

quadrille; ~ of dancers or ~, number needed to make up square dance; a, the first, etc., ~ in tennis etc., group of games counting as unit to side that wins more than half the games in it; ~ point, state of a ~ in lawn tennis when one side needs only one more point to win it; ~ of exchange, first etc. of EXCHANGE¹ collectively). 2. Slip or shoot for planting; young fruit just set. 3. Setting of gun or day (post.). 4. Way current or wind or opinion etc. sets, drift or tendency of, (the ~ of the current, public feeling, etc.); the ~ of his mind is towards. 5. Configuration, conformation, habitual posture, way head etc. is set on or carried, way dress etc. sits or flows, (usu. of; the ~ of the hills, his head, the drapery); warp or bend or displacement caused by continued pressure or position (*has got a ~ to the right*). 6. (Amount of) alternate deflection of saw-teeth. 7. Last coat of plaster on wall. 8. Timber frame supporting gallery etc. in coal-mine. 9. Amount of margin in type causing letters to be close or wide set. 10. Number of eggs in nest, or number laid before bird sits, clutch. 11. Setter's pointing in presence of game (often dead ~; make dead ~ at, transf., combine to attack esp. by argument or ridicule). 12. || Badger's burrow. 13. Granite paving-block. 14. Kinds of wrench & punch. 15. (Theatr.) set scene; (Cinemat.) built-up scene. 16. (Wireless) receiving apparatus. 17. ~-back, reversal or arrest of progress, relapse; ~-down, rebuff, snub; ~-off, thing set off against another, thing of which the amount or effect may be deducted from that of another of opposite tendency, counterpoise, counter-claim, thing that embellishes, adornment to something, (Archit.) sloping or horizontal member connecting lower and thicker part of wall etc. with upper receding part; ~-out, commencement or start (esp. at the first ~-out), things set out, equipment, display of food or utensils or goods; ~-to, combat esp. with fists; ~-up, erectness or carriage of body, (colloq., orig. U.S.) structure or arrangement of an organization etc. (in 1st sense prob. corrupt. of SECT; in others f. prec.)

setā'ceous (-shus), a. Bristly, having bristles, shaped like a bristle. Hence ~ly¹ adv. [f. L *seta* bristle, -ACEOUS]

setiferous, **setigerous**, **setose**, aa. Having bristles. [L *seta* bristle, *setiger*, *setosus*, bristly, -FEROUS, -GEROUS, -OSE¹]

set'on, n. (surg.). Skin of cotton or the like passed below skin and left with ends protruding to maintain an artificial issue as counter-irritant etc. esp. in veterinary practice; ~-needle, for inserting ~. [f. med. L *setonem* silk (L *seta* bristle)]

set square, n. Draughtsman's appliance consisting of a triangular plate of wood or

metal with angles of 90°, 60°, 30°, or of 90°, 45°, 45°, for drawing lines at such angles. [p.p. of SET¹]

sett. Arbitrary var. of SET¹ in some of its more technical senses.

settee¹, n. Long seat variously constructed to seat more than one person, esp. kind of double arm-chair or short sofa with ends alike for tête-à-tête. [perh. irreg. dim. f. SETTLE¹; see -EE]

settee², n. Mediterranean sharp-prowed lateen-sailed vessel with two or three masts. [f. It. *saettia* (*saetta* f. L. *SAGITTA*)]

setter, n. In vbl senses; esp., breeds (*English, Irish, Gordon, ~*) of long-haired dog trained to stand rigid on scenting game; ~on, instigator. [SET¹, -ER¹; dog named from native habit of crouching on same occasion]

setterwort (-ét), n. A plant, Bear's-foot or Fetid Hellebore. [prob. f. MLG or MHG (*sitro-, sullen-,* etc., *wort*)]

setting, n. In vbl senses; esp.: the music of a song etc.; the metal or other frame in which a gem is set, (transf.) surroundings of any object regarded as its framework or as accessories setting it off, environment, (Theatr.) way a play is put on the stage, scenery, properties, costumes, etc.; ~board, on which entomological specimens are set; ~box, in which ~boards are kept like shelves or drawers; ~lotion, used to damp the hair before it is set; ~needle, needle in wooden handle used in setting specimens; ~rule, brass rule or steel plate with which type is kept temporarily in place as it is set up; ~stick, used in setting type. [-ING¹]

settle¹, n. Bench with high back & arms & often with chest from seat to floor. [OE *sell*, cf. Du. *zetel*, G *sessel*; cogn. w. SIT, SET¹]

settle², v.t. & i. 1. Establish or become established in more or less permanent abode or place or way of life (often *down*), (cause to) sit down or *down* to stay for some time, cease from wandering or motion or change or disturbance or turbidity (often *down*), bring to or attain fixity or composure or certainty or clarity or decision, determine, agree upon, decide, appoint, (he ~d detachments of Jews in *Assyria*; shall ~ in *London, Australia*; ~ feet in stirrups, plant's root well down in ground, invalid among pillows, oneself in chair; ~ down to dinner, whilst, reading, married life; ~d down to defensive play, a series of skirmishes; marry & ~ down; cannot ~ to work, to anything, of restless or excited or desultory person; bird ~s on tree, alights; stand beer to ~, get clear; let the excitement ~ down; things will soon ~ into shape; must get it ~d up, finally arranged; ~ coffee, soup, with white of egg, clarify; man, expression, of ~d convictions, melancholy; ~d order, state; habitation, government; weather; a liquor to ~ one's

dinner, facilitate digestion; ~ the day, fix date; ~ quarrel, question, doubts, the pattern of, waverers; what have you ~d on or ~d?; ~ the succession, determine who shall succeed; that ~s the matter or question, there is no more to be said; ~ one's affairs, esp. before death by making will etc.). 2. Colonize, establish colonists in, ~ as colonists in, (country). 3. Subside, sink to bottom of liquid or into lower position, (the solid matter soon ~s; soil, house, foundation, ~s, comes gradually to lower level by gravitation & giving way of what is below; ship ~s, shows loss of buoyancy, tends to sink). 4. Deal effectually with, dispose or get rid of, do for, pay (bill), pay bill, (~ person, get rid of his importunity or obstruction by argument or conflict or killing; let us ~ up our accounts or ~ up, draw up & liquidate balance; ~ person's *HASH*¹ or business; ~d, written on paid bill in acknowledging payment; will you ~ for me?, pay the bill; ~ with creditors, pay their bills or such proportion as they will agree to accept; || settling-day, esp. fortnightly account day at Stock Exchange). 5. Bestow legally for life on (~d an annuity on him; ~d all his property on his wife; ~d estate, held by tenant for life under specified conditions). [OE *sellan* (prec.), perh. with admixture of OE *sahlitan* reconcile (*sah*t reconciliation)]

settlement (-tim-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: (Law) conveyance of, or creation of estate(s) in, property to make provision for one or more beneficiaries differing from what would result from simple conveyance or statutory inheritance (*marriage ~*, usu. made in favour of wife, her children, etc.); company of persons aiming at social reform who establish themselves in a poor district to live in intimate relations with the working class; newly settled tract of country, colony; subsidence of wall, house, etc.; *Act of S~*, statute of 1701 vesting crown in Sophia of Hanover & her heirs. [-MENT]

settler, n. In vbl senses; esp.: one who settles in new colony, early colonist; (sl.) decisive blow, argument, or event. [-ER¹]

set-wall (-awl), n. Kind of valerian formerly in medicinal use. [AF *sedewale*, as *ERDOARY*]

seven, a. & n. 1. One more than six, 7, VII, (often agreeing with understood n., as ~ of the men, ~ of them, ~ o'clock or ~; one & ~, 1/7; ~ & six, 7/6; twenty~ or ~ & twenty, & so on to ~ & ~ ninety; was ~ last birthday, years old; one & ~ penny etc., costing 1/7 etc.; the ~ *SAGE*²s or wise men; the ~ sleepers, Christians who fell asleep in a cave while hiding from Decian persecution & woke 200 years later when Roman Empire was Christian; the ~ virtues, deadly sins, vices)

of the world; ~league boots, giving wearer power of going 7 leagues at each stride; *seventy times* ~, large indefinite number, w. ref. to *Matt. xviii. 22*; ~gills, kind of shark; hence ~FOLD a. & adv., ~TEEN' a. & n. (*sweet* ~teen, age of girlish beauty), ~TEENTH' a. & n. 2. n. The number 7, the symbol 7, set of 7 persons or things esp. 7-pipped card, (*twice* ~ is 14; *make a large* ~; by ~s, in sets of 7; at SIXES & ~s). [Aryan: OE *seofon*, cf. Du. *seven*, G. *sieben*, L. *septem*, Gk. *hepta*, Skr. *saptā*]

sev'enth, a. & n. 1. Next after sixth (*the a* ~, often as n. with ellipse of n., esp. *the* ~ = 7th day of month; ~day, Saturday in Quaker speech & with sects keeping Saturday instead of Sunday as sabbath (~day, sabbatarian; S~day Adventists, a millenarian sect); in *the* ~ HEAVEN, in the greatest happiness or satisfaction; ~part, one of 7 equal parts into which thing may be divided). 2. n. = ~part; (Mus.) interval of which the span involves 7 alphabetical names of notes, harmonic combination of notes thus separated. [-TH¹]

sev'enthly, adv. In the 7th place (in enumerations). [-LY²]

sev'enty, a. & n. 1. Seven times ten, 70, LXX, (~y-one etc., or one-&-y etc.; ~y-first etc.; *the* ~y, the disciples of *Luke X*, also the sanhedrin, also the Septuagint translators); ~y-four (hist.), warship with 74 guns; ~y-five, French 75 mm. gun, = *soixante-quinze*; hence ~IETH a. & n. 2. n. The number or symbol 70; *the* ~ies, years between 69 & 80 in life or century. [-TY¹]

sever, v.t. & i. Separate, divide, part, disjoin, disunite, (t. & rarely i.; ~husband & wife, friends or friendship, rope, neck, connexion; *sea* ~s England & or from France; *the rope* ~ed under the strain); cut or break off, take away, (part) from or from whole (~ed his head, his head from his body; ~ oneself from the Church); (Law; of person in joint action) conduct case independently of the rest. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ANCE n. [f. OF *sever* f. L. *AS SEPARATE*]

sever'al, a. & pron. 1. Separate, diverse, distinct, individual, respective, (all of us in our ~ stations; each has his ~ ideal; *went their* ~ ways; indictment of three ~ counts; *the* ~ members of the Board; each ~ ship sank her opponent; collective & ~ responsibility, of persons as a body & as individuals; joint & ~ bond etc., signed by more than one person, of whom each is liable for whole sum; ~ estate, not shared with others), whence ~LY¹ adv.; a few, more than two but not many, (*have called* ~ times; *myself* & ~ others). 2. pron. A moderate number, more than two but not many, of the previously mentioned or implied persons or things

(~ of you have seen him; *went* mushroom-hunting & found ~). [AF, f. mod. L. *separare* separate thing (L. *separ* SEPARATE, -AL)]

sever'alty, n. Individual or unshared tenure of estate etc. (usu. in ~). [-TY]
severe', a. (-er, -est). 1. Austere, strict, harsh, rigorous, unsparring, (~ look, discipline, critic, master, sentence, inspection, self-control; ~ upon, hard on). 2. Violent, vehement, extreme, (~ weather, very cold or stormy; a ~ winter; attack of gout). 3. Trying, making great demands on endurance, energy, skill, or other quality, (~ test, pain, competition, requirements). 4. Unadorned, stripped of all that is unessential, without redundancy, restrained, terse, (~ architecture, beauty, simplicity, style). 5. Sarcastic or satirical (~ remarks; you are pleased to be ~). Hence or cogn. ~LY² (-rly) adv. (leave or let ~ly alone, abstain from dealing with as mark of disapproval, also joc. avoid meddling with as too formidable or difficult), **sevé'rity** n. (w. pl. = ~ treatment). [f. L. *severus* etym. dub.]

sevé'ry, n. (archit.). Compartment of vaulted ceiling. [f. OF *seivrie* f. L. *CIBORIUM*]

Sév'ille ó'range (-in), n. The bitter orange, used for marmalade. [*Seville*, in Spain]

Sèvres (see Ap.), n. Porcelain made at ~.
sew (sô), v.t. & i. (p.p. *sewn*, *sewed*, pr. sôn, sôd). Fasten (material, pieces) by passing thread again & again through holes made with threaded needle or withawl etc. (~ cloth, calico, leather, pieces together, sheets of book), whence ~ING¹ (5) (sôl-) n.; make by ~ing (~ seam, pleat, shirt, book, boot, buttonhole); fasten on or in, attach, by ~ing (~ on a button; can you ~ buttons?; ~ in a patch, band, gusset, rib, etc.); close up (hole, rent, wound, bag) by ~ing; enclose, fasten up, by ~ing receptacle (~ up money in a bag; ~ money into one's belt); ~ one up, sl., utterly exhaust, (esp. in p.p.) intoxicate; use needle & thread or ~ing-machine; ~ing-machine, apparatus in which needle is worked mechanically by crank or treadle; ~ing-press, apparatus for ~ing books. Hence ~er¹ [-ER¹] (sô'er) n. [Aryan: OE *siwian*, OHG *siuwen*, L. *suere*, Gk. *kassô* (CATA-), Skr. *stiv*]

sew'age, n., & v.t. 1. Matter conveyed in sewers; ~farm, on which ~ is used as manure, esp. one that utilizes & disposes of a town's ~; ~grass, grown on ~d land. 2. v.t. Manure with ~. [prob. formed f. **SEWER**² by change of (supposed) -ER¹ to -AGE]

sew'ell el, n. Small burrowing rodent of the W. coast of U.S. [Amer.-Ind.]

sewer¹. See **SEW**.

sew'er², n. (hist.). Person who set out table, placed guests, carried & tasted

dishe, etc. [f. AF *asecour* f. OF *asecoir* to seat, set, f. L *as(sidère-sedere)* sit beside]

sew'er¹, n., & v.t. 1. Conduit or channel usu. covered over for carrying off the drainage & excrementitious matter of a town, public drain; ~-gas, foul air of ~s; ~ rat, common brown or Norway rat; hence ~AGE(1) n. 2. v.t. Drain, provide, with ~s. [f. OF *seuwiere* sluice f. L *exaquaria* (agua water, -ARY¹); cf. EWER] **sew'in**, -én, n. Kind of salmon trout. [?] **sewn**. See **sew**.

sēx, n. Being male or female or hermaphrodite (what is its ~?; ~ does not matter; without distinction of age or ~), whence ~LESS a., ~LESSNESS n.; males or females collectively (all ranks & both ~es; the fair, gentle, softer, weaker, ~, & joc. the ~, women; the sterner ~, men; is the fairest of her ~); (attrib.) arising from difference, or consciousness, of ~ (~ antagonism, ~ instinct, ~ urge); ~ appeal, (usu. of women) attractiveness arising from difference of ~. [f. L *sextus* -us]

sēx-, **sēx**[i]-, comb. forms of L *sex* six, in derivatives of L compds & in mod. formations: ~angle, hexagon; ~angular(ly), hexagonal(ly); ~centēn'ary (or -sō⁴) a. & n., of 600, 600-year, 600th anniversary; ~dī'gitale, six-fingered; ~enn'ial(ly), lasting, (occurring) once in, six years; ~fid (Bot.), cleft in 6; ~foil, 6-lobed figure in architectural or other decoration, also 6-leaved plant; ~ll'ion (-lyon), || 6th power of a million, 1 with 36 ciphers; ~syllab'ic, ~syll'able, (word) of 6 syllables; ~(i)val'ent (Chem.), combining with 6 atoms of hydrogen, having 6 combining equivalents; ~part'ite, divided in 6; ~tūple a. & n. & v.t. & i., sixfold (amount), multiply by 6.

sēxagēnār'ian, a. & n. (Person) between 59 & 70. [L *sexagenarius* (foll.), -AN]

sēxagēn'ary, a. Of 60, going by sixties. [f. OF *sexagenaire* f. L *sexagenarius* (sexagēnt 60 each f. *sexaginta* 60, -ARY¹)]

Sēxagēs'ima, n. (Also ~ Sunday) Sunday before Quinquagesima. [L, fem. adj. = 60th (day), prob. named loosely as preceding QUINQUAGESIMA]

sēxagēs'imāl, a. & n. Sixtieth, of 60, proceeding by sixties, (~ fractions, or ~s n., with denominators proceeding in ratio of 60 as in the divisions of the circle & hour). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. LL *sexagesimalis* f. L *sexagesimus* 60th (*sexaginta* 60), -AL]

sēxt, **sēxte**, n. (eccl.). The office of the 6th hour, recited at noon. [f. fem. *sexta* (hora) hour of L *sextus* sixth]

sēxtain, n. Stanza of 6 lines. [L *sextus* sixth, -AN; cf. QUATRAIN]

sēx'tan, a. (Of fever etc.) recurring every fifth (by inclusive reckoning sixth) day. [as prec.]

sēx'tant, n. Sixth part of circle (obs.); instrument including a graduated ~ used

in navigation & surveying for measuring angular distances. [f. L *sextans* -ntis sixth part (*sextus* sixth, -ANT, as if f. *sexture* divide by 6)]

sēxtēt(te)', n. (Musical work for) 6 voices, singers, instruments, or players, in combination; (transl.) any set of 6. [f. L *sextus* sixth, as QUARTET(TS)]

sēxtill'ion (-lyon), n. = SEXILLION. [F (prec., BILLION)]

sēx'tō, n. (pl. ~s). Book formed by folding sheets in six. [f. L *sextus* sixth, as QUARTO]

sēxtodē'cimō, n. (abbr. 16mo, usu. read sixteenmo). Sheet of paper folded in 16 leaves; this way of folding (in ~); book made by folding thus. [orig. in ~ L (IN³, *sextus* decimus 16th)]

sēx'ton, n. Officer charged with care of church, its vessels, vestments, & churchyard, & often with duties of parish clerk & grave-digger; ~ beetle, kinds that bury carrion to serve as nidus for eggs. [ME *sekesteyn* etc., corrupt. of SACRISTAN]

|| **sēx'tus**. See PRIMUS¹.

sēx'ūal (or -kshōb-), a. Of sex, a sex, or the sexes (~ organs, genitals; ~ intercourse or commerce, copulation; ~ affinity, mutual attraction of two individuals of opposite sexes; ~ SELECTION; ~ appetite, indulgence, for, in, ~ intercourse); (Bot.; of classification) based on the distinction of sexes in plants, whence ~IST(2) n. Hence ~ITY (-āl²) n., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *sexualis* (SEX, -AL)]

sēx'ūalīze (or -kshōb-), v.t. Attribute sex to. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

Seym (sām), n. The Polish parliament. [Pol.]

sfor'sān'dō (-ts-), mus. direction. With sudden emphasis. [It.]

sfuma'tō (-ōmah-), a. (paint.). With indistinct outlines. [It., lit. smoked]

shābb'y, a. Scurvy, contemptible, paltry, dishonourable, (played me a ~y trick); close-fisted, mean; worn, threadbare, dilapidated, seedy, in bad repair or condition; ~y-gentee, retaining traces of better days, attempting to keep up appearances. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n., ~YISH² (2) a. [OE *scab*, *scabb*, *scab*, -Y²]

shāb'rāck, n. Cavalry saddlecloth. [f. G *schabracke* of E.-Europ. orig.]

shāck, n. Rough hut. [?]

shāck'le, n., & v.t. 1. Metal loop or staple, bow of padlock, link closed by bolt for connecting chains etc., coupling link; long link joining pair of wrist or ankle rings, (pl.) fetters, impediments, or restraints (the ~s of convention); kind of insulator for telegraph wires; ~bolt, for closing ~, also bolt with ~ at its end; ~ joint, in some fishes, formed by bony ring passing through hole in other bone. 2. v.t. Fetter, impede, trammel. [OE *ascacul* loose band, etym. dub.]

shād, *n.* Kinds of anadromous deep-bodied fish, of which the American or White S~ is much esteemed as food. [OE *seada*, cf. Ir. & Gael. *spadan*, W *yspadan*, herrings]

shād'ock, *n.* (Fruit, sometimes weighing 15 lb., of) orig. Malayan & Polynesian tree of orange kind. [S~, introducer to W. Indies]

shāde¹, *n.* 1. Comparative darkness (& usu. coolness) caused by interception of light (& usu. heat) rays; (fig.) comparative obscurity (*throw into the ~*, outshine). 2. (Often pl.) place sheltered from sun, cool or sequestered retreat; (pl.) wine vaults; (pl.) darkness of night or evening. 3. Darker part of picture (*without light & ~*, of paintings, also fig. of descriptions or characters, monotonous, uniformly glaring or sombre). 4. A colour esp. with regard to its depth or as distinguished from one nearly like it, gradation of colour, material so coloured, (*in all ~s of purple*; *I want the same colour in a lighter ~*; *all the newest ~s in stock*; also fig., as *people of all ~s of opinion*, delicate ~s of meaning). 5. Slight difference, small amount, (*am a ~ better today*). 6. Unsubstantial or unreal thing (*is the shadow of a ~*, delusive). 7. Soul after death (*spoke with the ~ of Homer*; *went down to the ~s*, died, visited Hades; S~ of *Priscian* etc., exclamation at blunder, crime, etc., that would have outraged person invoked). 8. Screen excluding or moderating light, heat, etc. (usu. in comb., as *SUN*, *candle*, *lamp*, ~), eye-shield, glass cover for object. Hence ~LESS (-dl-) *a.* [Aryan; = SHADOW; OE *sread*, *seada*, cf. Du. *scha-duw*, G *schatten*, Gk *skotos*]

shāde², *v.t. & i.* 1. Screen from excessive light (~d *his eyes with his hand*; *trees ~ the street*). 2. Cover, keep off, or moderate power of (luminous object, light) with or as intervening object. 3. Make dark or gloomy (*a sullen look ~d his face*). 4. (Drawing) darken (parts of object represented) esp. with parallel pencil lines to give effects of light & shade or gradations of colour, whence **shād'ing**¹ (0) *n.* 5. (Of colour or light, & fig. of opinion, practice, etc.) pass off by degrees into (or into) other colour or variety, make (colour etc.) pass thus into another. 6. Modify pitch of (organ-pipe). [f. prec.]

shādōōf, *n.* Pole with bucket & counterpoise used esp. in Egypt for raising water. [f. Arab. *shādāf*]

shād'ow¹ (-dō), *n.* 1. Shade (*sitting in the ~*; *the ~ of death is on his face*; *VALLLEY of the ~ of death*; *the ~s of night*; *under the ~ of misfortune*): dark part of picture, room, etc. 2. Patch of shade, dark figure projected by body that intercepts light rays, this regarded as person's or thing's *shadow* (*may your ~ never grow less*, *and consequently you thin*); (fig.) one's

inseparable attendant or companion. 3. Reflected image. 4. Type, faint representation, adumbration, premonition (*coming events cast their ~s before*). 5. Slightest trace (*without a ~ of doubt*). 6. Unsubstantial or unreal thing or counterfeit (*what ~s we are*; *catch at ~s*; *having only the ~ of freedom*); phantom, ghost, (*is but the ~ of his former self*; *worn to a ~*; *a terrible ~ with uplifted hand*). 7. Privacy, obscurity, (*content to live in the ~*). 8. Shelter, protection, (*under the ~ of the Almighty*). 9. (Yacht.) kind of light sail used in fair winds. 10. ~-boating (against imaginary opponent as form of training); || ~ CABINET; ~ factory, one planned or built for possible reserve production against the emergency of war; ~-stitch, kind of ladder-work in lace-making. Hence ~LESS (-dl-), ~Y² (-dl-), *aa.*, ~INESS (-dl-) *n.* [OE *seadu*, see SHADE¹]

shād'ow² (-dō), *v.t.* Overspread with shadow (chiefly poet.); set forth dimly, in outline, allegorically, or prophetically; dog, secretly watch all movements of. [f. prec.]

shād'³ /y, *a.* (Giving, situated in, shade; (of actions, conduct, etc.) shunning the light, disreputable, of dubious honesty; *on the ~y side of forty* etc., more than. Hence ~ILY² *adv.*, ~INESS *n.* [-y²])

shaft (-ah-), *n.* 1. (Slender pole of) lance or spear. 2. Long-bow arrow (often *CLOTH-yard ~*; also fig., as ~s of *satire*, *ridicule*, *envy*). 3. Ray of light, bolt or stroke of lightning. 4. Stem, stalk, column between base & capital, one of group of clustered columns, spire, part of chimney above roof, rib of feather, part more or less long & narrow & straight supporting or connecting part(s) of greater thickness etc. 5. (Mech.) large axle, revolving bar transferring force by belts or cogs, whence ~ING¹ (3, 6) *n.* 6. Handle of tool etc. 7. One of pair of bars between which horse of vehicle is harnessed (~horse, so placed, opp. LEADER in tandem). 8. Vertical or inclined excavation giving access to mine; tunnel of blast-furnace; (also *ventilating ~*) upward vent for smoke or bad air from tunnel, drain, etc. [OE *sceaft* spear-shaft, perh. orig. shaven rod (SHAPE, *suf. -f*), cf. Du. *schacht*, G *schaft*]

shāg¹, *n.* 1. Rough growth or mass of hair etc., whence ~g'ED² (-gd) *a.* (rare); (arch.) long-napped rough cloth. 2. Coarse kind of cut tobacco. [OE *seacapa*, cf. ON *skegg* beard (*skaga* jut out)]

shāg², *n.* Crested cormorant. [prob. f. prec.]

***shāg'barē**, *n.* The white hickory. [SHAG¹]

shāgg'y (-g-), *a.* Hairy, rough-haired; (of hair) coarse, wildly abundant, unkempt; (of land etc.) overgrown with

forest or rough vegetation; (of trees etc.) with rough branches or twigs; (Bot., Biol.) villous. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INNESS n., (-g-). [-Y²]

shagreen, n. Kind of untanned leather with artificially granulated surface made from skin of horse, ass, camel, etc., & usually dyed green; shark-skin rough with natural papillae used for rasping & polishing. [as CHAGRIN, which is differentiated in sense]

shah, n. King of Persia, padishah. [Pers., =ruler; cf. CHECK¹]

shāke, v.t. & i. (*shōk, shāken*). 1. Move (thing, person) violently or quickly up & down or to & fro with the hand(s) etc. (like a terrier shaking a rat; deserves a good shāk'ING¹(1) n.; ~ hands, ~ one by the hand, clasp right hands with or without shaking at meeting or parting, in reconciliation or congratulation, or over concluded bargain; ~ a carpet). 2. (Make) tremble or rock or quiver or vibrate or wave, jolt, jar, brandish, (~ the house; the earth shook; hand ~s, is unsteady; ~ one's fist, stick, etc., in person's face or at, threaten with fist etc.; ~ a LEG; ~ one's head, move it from side to side in refusal, denial, disapproval, or concern over or at or abs.; ~ with fear, cold, etc., tremble violently; ~ in one's shoes, tremble with apprehension). 3. Agitate, shock, disturb, (was much ~n by, with, at, the news; ~ him out of his lethargy; shook my composure). 4. Weaken, impair, make less convincing or firm or stable or courageous, (the firm's credit was ~n; shook the witness's evidence; his faith in Providence was greatly ~n; the ranks were ~n but not broken). 5. (Of voice, musical note, singer, etc.) make tremulous sounds, change pitch or power with rapid alternations, trill, (his voice shook with emotion; must learn to ~). 6. (Imperat.; colloq., chiefly U.S.). ~ hands. 7. ~ down, fetch or send down by shaking (fruit from tree; straw or blankets etc. on floor for bed, whence ~'down n.; grain etc. in vessel into least compass), (intr.) become compact, get comfortably settled or into harmony with associates or circumstances; ~ off, get rid of (dust etc., & fig. undesirable companion or worry) by shaking (~ off the DUST¹ from one's feet); ~ out, empty (vessel, garment, etc.) of contents or dust, (contents) from vessel etc., spread or open (sail, flag, reef); ~ up, mix (ingredients), restore (pillow etc.) to shape, by shaking, rouse from stagnant or lethargic or convention-ridden state. Hence shāk'ABLE a. [OE *scacan*, cf. ON & Sw. *skaka*]

shāke, n. 1. Shaking or being shaken (see prec.; with a ~ of the head; give it, had, a ~ all of a ~, trembling; the ~s, ague); jolt, jerk, shock. 2. *A glass of milk, or milk and egg, flavoured and shaken up

(short for milk~). 3. Trill, quick alternation of two notes with voice or on instrument. 4. Moment (in two etc. ~s of a lamb's tail etc. or ~s, very quickly, in no time). 5. Crack in growing timber. 6. (sl.). Is no great ~s, not very good or efficient. 7. ~out (St. Exch.), crisis in which weaker speculators are driven out of market; ~up, shaking or being shaken up. [f. prec.]

shāk'er, n. In vbl senses; also (S~) member of religious sect founded in Manchester, & still existing in U.S., holding that Christ's second coming has taken place (named from religious dances), whence Shāk'ERESS¹, Shāk'ERISM(3), nn. [-ER¹]

Shāk(e)spe(ar)'ian (-kspē-), a. (In the style) of Shakespeare. So ~AN² a. pl. [-IAN]

shāk'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Form of military hat, more or less cylindrical with peak & upright plume or tuft. [f. Magyar *csákó*]

shāk'ŷ, a. Unsteady, apt to shake, trembling, unsound, infirm, unreliable, tottering, wavering, (a ~y hand, table, old man, house; ~y credit, voters, courage; feel, look, ~y). Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INNESS n. [-Y²]

shāle, n. Kinds of clayey stone splitting readily into thin plates & resembling slate but softer & less solid; ~oil, kind of naphtha got from bituminous ~. Hence shāl'Y² a. [prob. f. obs. *shale* shēlf. OE *scælu*, cf. SCALE²]

shall (unstressed shal, shl), v. aux. (pres. I, he, we, you, they, ~, thou shall; past & condit. I, he, we, you, they, should pr. shōd, thou shouldst pr. shōdst, or shouldest pr. shōd'ist; neg. forms shall not or shan't pr. -ah-, should not or shouldn't; no other parts used). ~ & should are used: 1 in first person (the others having will, would) to form a plain future or conditional statement or question (we ~ hear about it tomorrow; I should have been killed if I had let go; ~ I hear from you soon?); 2 in 2nd & 3rd persons (1st having will, would) to form a future or conditional statement expressing speaker's will or intention (you ~ not catch me again; he should not have gone if I could have prevented it); 3 alternatively with will, would, in sentences of type 1 changed in reporting from 1st to other person (he says or said, you say or said, that he, you, ~ or should never manage it; now more usu. will, would) or from other person to 1st (he says I ~ or will never manage it, reporting you will never; will now rare); 4 in reporting sentences of type 2 that contained ~ or should (you promised I, he, should not catch you at it again); 5 in 2nd-person questions corresponding to type 1, by attraction to expected answer (~ you be going to church?); 6 in any person to form statements or

questions involving the notions of command & future or conditional duty, obligation, etc. (*thou shalt not steal*; *I, you, he, should really have been more careful*; *~ I, he, open the door?*; *why should I, you, he, obey?*); 7 in all persons to form conditional protasis or indefinite clause (*if, when, we ~ be defeated or defeat ~ overtake us*; *any one who should say*; *if you should happen to be there*; & with inversion *should I, you, he, be there, it would be talked about*); 8 alternatively with *may, might*, in all persons in final clauses (*to the end that I, you, he ~ or should not be able*); 9 in some miscellaneous idioms (*it should seem, it seems*; *you ~ find, arch.*, be sure you will find; *it is surprising etc. that I, you, he, should be or have been so foolish*). [OE *seal*, cf. Du. *sal*, G. *soll*, cogn. w. G. *schuld* debt, guilt]

shallow¹, n. Light cloth for coat-linings & women's dresses. [f. *Châlons* in France]

shall¹op, n. Light open boat. [f. F *chaloupe* SLOOP]

shak(l)ot', n. Plant of onion kind with cloves like, but of milder flavour than those of garlic. [earlier *eschalot* f. F *eschalotte* dim. of *echaloigne* f. L *ascalonia* orig. fem. adj. f. *Ascalon* in Palestine]

shall²ow (-ō), a. (~er, ~est), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Of little depth (lit. & fig.; ~ water, a ~ stream, dish; a ~ mind, argument, love, man, superficial, trivial; so ~brained, ~hearted, ~pated); hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. ~ place, shoal. 3. vb. Become ~er, make ~. [15th-c. *schalowe* etym. dub.; cf. SHOAL¹]

shalt. See SHAL.

shām, v.t. & i. (-mm-), n., & a. 1. Feign, simulate, (~ illness, sleep, a faint, fear; *is only ~ing*); pretend to be (~med ill, dead, asleep); hence ~m'ER¹ n. 2. n. Imposture, pretence, humbug, (*this age of ~s*); person or thing pretending or pretended to be something that he or it is not; (also *sheet, pillow, ~*) embroidered linen laid on bed in day for show. 3. adj. Pretended, counterfeit, (~ fight, imitation battle for training troops; ~ plea etc. in law, advanced only to gain time). [17th-c. sl., etym. dub.]

Shāmanism, n. Religion of Siberian tribes involving belief in secondary gods & in power of shamans or priests to influence these. [f. G. *schamane* of Mongol origin, -ISM]

shām'ble, v.i., & n. 1. Walk or run in shuffling or awkward or decrepit way (~ing gait, of person who ~es). 2. n. ~ing gait. [prob. f. obs. *shamble* adj. straddling, wry, perh. f. *shamble* bench (see foll.) w. ref. to straddling trestles]

shām'bles (-iz), n. pl. (often w. sing. constr.). Butchers' slaughter-house; scene of carnage (*the place became a ~*); ~ingly, esp. in journalistic use) mess, ~uddle (with no implication of blood or

death). [pl. of obs. *shamble* stool, OE *scamel* f. L *scamellum* dim. of *scamnum* bench]

shāme¹, n. 1. Feeling of humiliation excited by consciousness of guilt or shortcoming, of having made oneself or been made ridiculous, or of having offended against propriety, modesty, or decency, (*flushed with ~*; *begin with ~ to take the lowest room*). 2. Restraint imposed by, desire to avoid, such humiliation (*for ~I, appeal to person not to disregard or reproof for disregarding this*; *cannot do it for very ~*; *is quite without or lost to ~*), whence ~'LESS (-ml-) a., ~'LESSLY¹ adv., ~'lessness n. 3. State of disgrace or ignominy or discredit (~ on you!; put one to ~, disgrace him esp. by exhibiting superior qualities etc.), person or thing that brings disgrace (*is a ~ to his parents*; *would think ~ to do it*; *is a sin & a ~*), whence ~'FUL (-mf-) a., ~'fully¹ adv., ~fulness n. [OE *sc(e)amu*, cf. Da. *skam*, G. *scham*]

shāme², v.i. & t. Be ashamed, refuse from shame, to (arch.; usu. with negative, *as he ~d not to say*); bring shame on, be a shame to, make ashamed; put (superior) to the blush by outdoing (*a dog's fidelity ~s me*); frighten by shame into or out of doing, conduct, etc. [OE *sc(e)amian* (prec.)]

shame¹fac'd (-āmfast), a. Bashful, shy; (poet., of virtue, flowers, etc.) modest, retiring, inconspicuous. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n., (-āmfastl-, -āst-). [f. obs. *shamefast*, OE *scamfast* (SHAME¹, FAST¹) by confusion w. -faced²]

shāmm'y, shām'oy, n. = CHAMOIS(2).

shāmpōō¹, v.t., & n. 1. Subject (body etc.) to kneading or massage after hot bath (orig. sense, now rare); lather, wash, & rub (head, hair). 2. n. A ~ing of the head; dry ~, alcoholic saponaceous preparation for cleaning the hair, powder for similar purpose, ~ing with these. [f. Hind. *chāmpnā* press, shampoo]

shāmrōck, n. Kinds of trefoll or clover serving as national emblem of Ireland (of rose, thistle, leek). [f. Ir. *seamróg* trefoll, dim. of *seamar* clover]

shān'drydān, n. Light two-wheeled cart; old rickety vehicle. [?]

shān'dý(dýff), n. Mixed drink of beer & ginger-beer or lemonade. [?]

shānghai¹ (-hi), v.t. (naut. sl.). Drug & ship as sailor while unconscious. [S~ in China]

shānk n., & v.i. & t. 1. Leg (*S~s's mare*, one's own legs as opp. riding etc.); leg from knee to ankle; shin-bone; upright part of bird's foot; footstalk of flower; || leg of stocking; shaft of pillar etc., shaft of tool between head etc. & handle, stem of key, spoon, anchor, etc., straight part of fish-hook, narrow middle of boat-seat; hence (-)~nē² (-kt-) a. 2. vb. ~ off, (of flowers) fall off by decay of ~; (Golf)

strike (ball) with heel of club. [OE *sete* *ance*, cf. Du. *schonk* bone, G. *schinken* ham]

shānn'y, n. Oblong olive-green European sea-fish, the smooth blenny. [1]

shan't. See **SHALL**.

shān'tūng, n. A soft undressed Chinese silk (usu. undyed). [S~, Chin. province]

shān'ty, n. Hut, cabin, mean dwelling. [f. Canad.-F. *chantier* log hut f. F. = work-shop]

shān'ty, Var. of **CHANTY**.

shāpe, v.t. & i. (p.p. ~d, arch. ~n). Create, form, construct; model, mould, fashion, bring into desired or definite figure or form (p.p., having such figure, as ~d like a pear); adapt, make conform, to; plan, devise; direct, aim, (one's course etc.); frame mentally, imagine, call up image of; assume form, develop into shape, give signs of future shape (~s well, is promising). Hence **shāp'ABLE** a. [OE *scieppan*, cf. G. *schaffen*, Du. *seheppen*, create, cogn. w. -SHIP & (land)-scape]

shāpe, n. 1. Configuration, form, total effect produced by thing's outlines, (spherical in ~; has the ~ of a boat). 2. Appearance, guise, (monster in human ~). 3. Concrete presentment, embodiment, (intention took ~ in action; showed me politeness in the ~ of an invitation). 4. Kind, description, sort, (made no overtures in any ~ or form). 5. Symmetrical or definite form, orderly arrangement, proper condition, (get one's ideas into ~; lock into ~; give ~ to), whence ~LESS (-pl-) a., ~LESSLY adv., ~LESSNESS n. 6. Person considered as impressing the sight, & esp. as indistinctly seen or imagined, apparition, ghost, (a ~ loomed through the mist; a grim mysterious ~ stalked towards me). 7. Pattern for workman etc., mould for shaping hats etc.; jelly, blancmange, etc. shaped in mould; padding worn by actor. Hence (-) **shāp-ed** (-pt) a. [OE *gesceap* (Y-, prec.)]

shāpe'ly (-pl), a. Well formed or proportioned, of the right or a pleasing shape. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

shāp'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., kinds of machine for turning, planing, stamping, moulding, etc. [-ER¹]

shārd, **shērd**, n. (arch.). Potsherd (still used by gardeners of fragment put over hole of flowerpot); beetle's wing-cover. [OE *scard* (**SHEAR**¹, **SHAKE**¹⁻²)]

shāre, n. 1. Portion detached for individual from common amount (must get a ~ of the plunder). 2. Part one is entitled to have or bound to contribute, equitable portion, (that is your fair ~; took, bore, my or more or less than my ~ of the burden; so ~s, make equitable division with others; ~ & ~ alike, with equal division; LION'S ~). 3. Part one gets or contributes (had a large ~ in bringing it about, but no

~ of the credit). 4. Part-proprietorship of property held by joint owners (has a ~ in the bank, estate, etc.), esp. one of the equal parts into which company's capital is divided entitling holder to proportion of profits (holds 50 ~s in; an issue of 10,000 ~s); deferred ~s, on which lower dividend or none is to be paid till fixed date or contingent event; preference or preferred ~s, on which fixed dividend is guaranteed before payment begins on ordinary ~s; ~holder, owner of ~s; || ~list, of current prices of ~s in various companies; ~pusher, colloq., pedlar of (usu. worthless) ~s. 5. ~cropper, tenant farmer who pays his rent with a part of his crop. [OE *secaru* (*secran* **SHEAR**¹)]

shāre, v.t. & i. Apportion (food, property, task, etc.) among others, give each a share of; give away part of (would ~ his last crust); get or have share of, possess or use or endure jointly with others; have share(s), be sharer(s), (will ~ with you in the undertaking; we must ~ alike); ~ out, distribute, whence ~out n., provident club's distribution. Hence **shār'er** n. [f. prec.]

shāre, n. Ploughshare; blade of seeding-machine or cultivator; ~beam, part of plough in which ~ is fixed. [OE *secar* (*secran* **SHEAR**¹)]

shārk, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Kinds of long-shaped lateral-gilled inferior-mouthed sea-fish many species of which are large & voracious (*Basking, Man-eating, White, Blue, Dusky, Bonnet-headed*, etc., S~); rapacious person, swindler, (LAND~); * (college sl.) brilliant student; ~moth, kinds of moth named from shape; ~oil, got from ~s liver & used like cod-liver oil; ~s-mouth, opening in awning for mast etc. 2. vb. Play the swindler, adventurer, etc. (~s for a living), whence ~ING¹ a.; gather up by dishonest or dishonourable means; swallow voraciously. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

shārp, a., n., & adv. 1. With fine edge or point, not blunt; peaked, pointed, edged, (~ gable, summit, ridge). 2. Well-defined, clean-cut, (~ outline, distinction, impression, features; so ~cut). 3. Abrupt, angular, (~ turn, incline). 4. Keen, pungent, acid, tart, shrill, piercing, biting, harsh, acrimonious, severe, intense, painful, (~ flavour, wine, voice, cry, frost, air, words, tongue, temper, reproof, contest, attack of gout). 5. Acute, sensitive, quick to see or hear or notice, keen-witted, vigilant, clever, (~ eyes, ears, intelligence, attention; ~sighted, -witted, etc.; keep a ~ look-out; a ~ remark, child; as ~ as a needle, very intelligent). 6. Quick to take advantage, bent on winning, artful, unscrupulous, dishonest, (was too ~ for me, overreached me; ~ practices, barely honest dealings). 7. Vigorous, not loitering, impetuous, (take a ~

~*work*, said of matter quickly dispatched or fight etc. that takes all one's energy). 8. (Phonet., of mutes) unvoiced, hard. 9. (Mus., opp. *flat*²) above true pitch (*piano* is ~; *B, D*, etc., ~, a semitone higher than *B, D*, etc.), (of key) having ~(*s*) in signature. 10. ~*shooter*, skilled shot posted where marksmanship is required; hence ~*ER*¹ v.t. & i., (-)~*en-ER*¹(1, 2) n., ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. 11. n. Sewing-needle of slender make; (Mus.) note raised a semitone above pitch, symbol indicating this raising, ~*s* & *FLAT*²s; ~ consonant; (colloq.) swindler, cheat (*billiard*~); **(Joc.)* expert (*mining*~); || (pl.) middlings (between flour & bran). 12. adv. Punctually (*at six o'clock* ~); (Mus.) above true pitch (*is singing* ~); *LOOK*¹ ~; ~*set*, hungry; ~*shod*, calked. [OE *scarp*, cf. Du. *scherp*, G *scharf*]

sharp¹, v.t. & i. Sharpen, whet, (arch. or vulg.); raise pitch of (note) or mark as sharp; play unfairly, swindle, at cards etc., whence ~*ER*¹ n. [f. prec.]

Sha'stra (-ah-), n. One of the sacred Hindu writings. [SKR. *śāstra*]

shätt'er, v.t. & i. Break (t. & i.) suddenly & violently in pieces; utterly derange, destroy, dissipate, (~*ed nerves, constitution, hopes*). [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

shāve¹, v.t. & i. (p.p. ~*d* & chiefly as adj.), ~*n*. 1. Remove (hair), free (chin etc.) of hair, relieve (person) of hair on chin etc., with razor (*has ~d off* or ~*d his beard*, now wears none; a ~*n chin*); (intr.) ~ oneself (*he does not ~ every day*). 2. Pare surface of (wood etc.) with spokeshave, plane, etc., whence *shāv'ING*¹(2) n. 3. Pass close to without touching, skirt, miss narrowly, nearly graze. 4. ~*hook*, tool for scraping surface of metal before soldering; *shaving-brush*, for lathering chin etc. before shaving; *shaving-horse*, bench with clamp for holding wood to be ~*d*. [OE *sc(e)afan*, cf. Du. *schaven*, G *schaben*, perh. cogn. w. L *scabere* scratch, Gk *skapto* dig]

shāve², n. 1. Having one's beard etc. shaved (*must have a ~*; a *sixpenny* ~). 2. Close approach without contact, narrow miss or escape or failure, (*had a close ~ of it*). 3. Knife-blade with handle at each end for shaving wood etc. 4. ~*Trick*, deception, hoax. [(the tool f. OE *scēafa*) f. prec.]

shāve'ling (-ri-), n. (arch.). Shaven person, monk, friar, priest. [-*LING*¹]

shāv'er, n. In vbl senses; also (colloq.), lad, youngster, (usu. *young* ~). [-*ER*¹]

Shāv'ian, n. (In the manner) of G. B. Shaw, dramatist. [-*IAN*]

shaw, n. (arch. & poet.). Thicket, wood. [OE *scopa*, cogn. w. SHAG¹]

shaw'n, & v.t. 1. Rectangular garment, often square to be folded into triangle,

chiefly worn by women as outer covering for shoulders; ~*dance*, in which dancer waves a ~; ~*pattern*, variegated design like that of Oriental ~. 2. v.t. Put ~ on (person). [f. Pers. *shāl*]

shawm, n. Obsolete musical instrument with reed. [f. OF *chalemie* f. L f. Gk *kalamos* reed]

shay, n. (Arch. loc., or vulg., for) CHAIR. [back form. f. *chaise* taken for pl.]

shē, pron. (obj. *HER*¹, possess. *HER*¹, *HER*¹'s, pl. *THEY* etc.), n., & a. 1. The female (or thing personified as female, e.g. ship or train) previously mentioned or implied or easily identified. 2. n. Female, woman, (the not impossible ~, woman one might love; *is the child a he or a ~?*; *had a lot of two ~s & a he*, two bitches & a dog). 3. adj. (usu. hyphenated). Female (~*-ass, -bear*, etc.); ~*devil, -cat*, malignant or spiteful woman; ~*-oak*, kinds of Australian shrub, esp. *Beefwood*; ~*-pine*, Australian conifer. [OE *seo* fem. of def. art., orig. demonstr. pron., *se*; cf. Du. *zij*, G *sie*, Gk *hē*]

shea (shē), n. W.-Afr. tree yielding a vegetable butter (~*butter*). [native]

shead'ing, n. Any of the six administrative divisions of the I. of Man. [SHED¹, -*ING*¹]

sheaf, n. (pl. ~*ves*), & v.t. 1. Bundle of things laid lengthwise together & usu. tied (~ *of papers, arrows*, etc.), esp. armful of corn-stalks tied after reaping (~ *binder*, tool for tying these). 2. v.t. Make into sheaves, sheave. [OE *scēaf*, cf. Du. *schoof*, G *schaub*; cogn. w. *SHOVE*] **sheal'ing**. Var. of *SHEELING*.

shear¹, v.t. & i. (past ~*ed* & arch. *shore*; p.p. *shorn*, rarely ~*ed*). 1. Cut with sword etc. (poet.; t. & i.; *shore off his plume*; *shore through the bone*); clip, cut with scissors or shears, (trans.; ~ *sheep*, clip its wool; also abs., *shall be ~ing*, i.e. my sheep, tomorrow; ~ *cloth*, remove or reduce nap by clipping); (fig.) fleece, strip bare, (come home shorn; *shorn of wool, glory*, etc.). 2. (Of structure, material, etc.) be distorted or broken by the strain called a shear, (of pressure) distort or break thus. 3. ~*water*, kinds of low-flying sea-bird. Hence ~*ER*¹ n. [OE *sceran*, cf. Du. & G *scheren*, Gk *kairō* shave; cogn. w. *SHARD, SHARE, SCAR*¹, etc.]

shear², n. 1. (Pl.) clipping-instrument with two meeting blades pivoted as in scissors or connected by spring & passing close over each other edge to edge (*hand me the ~s*; *want a pair of ~s*; ~ in comb. or attrib., as ~*bill*, the bird scissorbill or skimmer; ~*grass*, kind with sharp-edged leaves; ~*legs*, *SHEER*²'s; ~ *steel*, of special quality fit for ~s & other cutting tools; ~*test*, humming-bird with tail like ~s). 2. (Mech.) kind of strain produced by pressure in structure of a substance, its successive layers being

shifted laterally over each other. [OE *scolar* sing. (prec.)]

shear¹ling, n. Sheep once shorn. [-LING¹]

sheat¹fish, n. Largest European freshwater fish. [f. G *scheidfisch* (*scheid* of doubtful etym. & meaning)]

sheath, n. (pl. *pr.* -dhs). Close-fitting cover, esp. for blade of weapon or tool; (Bot., Zool., Anat.) investing membrane, tissue, skin, horny case, etc.; structure of loose stones for confining river within banks. Hence *~LESS* a. [OE *scæth*, cf. Du. *scheede*, G *scheide*; cogn. w. *SHED*¹]

sheathe (-dh), v.t. Put into sheath (*~ the sword*, cease from war, & fig.); encase, protect with casing or sheath¹ING⁴(3) n. [f. prec.]

sheave¹, n. Grooved wheel in pulley etc. for rope to run on. [cf. G *scheibe* slice, disk, Icel. *skifa* slice n. & v.]

sheave², v.t. Gather (corn etc.) into sheaves, sheaf. [f. *SHEAF*]

sheaves. See *SHEAF*.

***shébāng¹**, n. (sl.). House (esp. gambling-house), store, saloon; any matter of present concern; business (*the whole ~*). [perh. var. of foll.]

|| **shébeen¹**, n. Pot-house, unlicensed house selling drink. [Ir.]

shéd¹, v.t. (*shed*). Part with, let fall off, (*tree, stag, snake, crab, Prime Minister, ~s leaves, horns, skin, shell, colleagues*); drop (*~ tears*, weep; *~ one's blood* for one's country, be wounded or killed); cause (others' blood) to flow; disperse, diffuse, spread abroad, (*~ light on*, illuminate, esp. fig.; *~ love, radiance, perfume*, etc., around one); (Electr.) reduce (the *LOAD*). Hence *~d'ER¹* n. [OE *sc(e)ddan* part, cf. Du. & G *scheiden*, prob. cogn. w. Gk *skhizō*, L *scindere*]

shéd², n. One-storeyed shelter for storing goods or vehicles or keeping cattle etc. or for use as workshop etc. & consisting of roof with some or all or no sides open. Hence *~d'ING⁴(3) n.* [var. of *SHADE*]

sheen, n. Splendour, radiance, brightness. Hence *~y¹* [-Y¹] a. (poet.). [f. obs. adj. *sheen* beautiful, OE *sciene*, cf. G *schön*; sense affected by confusion with unrelated *shine*]

sheen²y¹, n. (sl.). Jew (derog.). [f.]

sheep, n. (pl. the same). 1. Kinds of wild or domesticated timid gregarious woolly occas. horned ruminant mammal of which male is named *ram*, female *ewe*, & young *lamb* (*~ & goats*, the good & the bad, see *Matt.* xxv. 33; *BLACK¹ ~*; *cast ~s eyes*, glance amorously at; *follow like ~*; said of persons with no initiative or independence; *as well be hanged for a ~ as a LAMB¹*; *~ that have no shepherd*, helpless crowd etc.; *WOLF in ~s clothing*).

2. Bashful embarrassed person (so *~ISH¹ a.*, *~ishy¹ adv.*, *~ishness n.*). 3. (Usu. pl., now chiefly jocular) members of minister's flock; parishioners etc. 4. *~*

skin leather. 5. *~bot*, fly & larva injurious to ~; *~cole* (arch.), *fold*, *pen* (rare), enclosure for penning ~; *~dig*, preparation for cleansing ~ of vermin or preserving their wool; *~dog*, collie, also breed of rough-coated short-tailed dog used by shepherds; || *~farmer*, *master*, breeder of ~; *~hook*, shepherd's crook; *~louse*, *tick*, kinds of parasite on ~; *~pox*, *~disease* resembling small-pox; *~run*, extensive *~walk*, esp. in Australia; *~s-bit*, plant resembling scabious; *~s fescue*, a pasture grass; *~shank*, bight & hitches used to shorten rope's length temporarily; *~s-head* lit., also kind of sea-fish used for food; *~shearing*, (festival at) shearing of ~; *~skin*, garment or rug of ~s skin with wool on, also leather of ~s skin used in bookbinding etc., also parchment of it or deed or diploma engrossed on this; *~walk*, tract of land on which ~ are pastured; *~wash*, lotion for killing vermin or preserving wool on ~. [OE *scēap*, cf. Du. *schaap*, G *schaf*, etym. dub.]

sheer¹, a. & adv. 1. Mere, simple, unassisted, undiluted, uncompounded, neither more nor less than, absolute, (*did it by ~ force*; *is ~ waste, nonsense, folly*; *a ~ impossibility*); (of rock, fall, ascent, etc.) perpendicular, unrelieved by slope; (Commerce, of textiles) diaphanous. 2. adv. Plumb, perpendicularly, outright, (*fell 3000 ft ~*; *torn ~ out by the roots*; *rises ~ from the water*). [ME *schēre* = ON *skērr* bright (*skína* SHINE v.), cogn. w. OE *scir* bright]

sheer², v.i. (Naut.) deviate from course; (also in gen. use) *~ off*, part company, depart, esp. from person one dislikes or fears or is offended by. [perh. f. Du. *scheren* *SHEAR¹*]

sheer³, n. Upward slope of ship's lines towards bow & stern; deviation of ship from course. [perh. f. *SHEAR¹*]

sheer⁴, n. (Pl.; also *~legs* or *shear-legs*) hoisting-apparatus of two (or more) poles attached at or near top and separated at bottom for masting ships or putting in engines etc., used in dockyards or on *~hulk*, dismasted ship used for the purpose. [var. of *SHEAR¹*; named from resemblance to pair of shears]

sheet¹, n. 1. Rectangular piece of linen used in pairs as inner bed-clothes (*between the ~s*, in bed), whence *~ING⁴(3) n.* 2. Broad more or less flat piece of some thin material (*a ~ of iron, glass*, etc.). 3. Wide expanse of water, snow, ice, flame, colour, etc. 4. Complete piece of paper of the size in which it was made (*book is in ~s*, printed but not bound; *~ of notepaper*, usu. folded once for writing on; *~ of quarto* etc., the four etc. leaves given by folding a *~ twice* etc.); newspaper (*a penny, scurrilous, etc. ~*). 5. Rope or chain at lower corner of sail

for regulating its tension etc. (*flowing* ~, not close-hauled, eased for free wind; a ~, *three ~s*, in the wind, sl., rather, very, drunk). 6. ~*anchor* [see etym.], second anchor orig. carried outside waist of ship for use in emergencies, (fig.) last dependence or security; ~ *copper, iron, metal*, etc., spread by rolling, hammering, etc., into thin ~s; ~ *glass*, kind made first as hollow cylinder, which is cut open & flattened in furnace; ~ LIGHTNING; ~ *music* (published in ~s, not in book form). [OE *scēte*, *scifte*, linen cloth, with mixture of sense of OE *scēat* corner, fold, all cogn. w. SHOOT; orig. sense *projection*; ~*anchor*, earlier *shut(t)e*, *shol(e)*, *shott-*, may be f. obs. *shot* spliced cables]

sheet¹, v.t. Furnish with sheets; cover with sheet (*the ~ed dead*); form into sheets (~ed rain); secure (sail) with sheet (esp. ~ *home*). [f. prec.]

sheik(h) (-ék, -ák), n. Chief, head of Arabian or Mohammedan tribe, family, or village; (transf.) masterful husband or lover; *S~ ul Islam*, grand mufti at Constantinople, chief authority on sacred law in Turkish empire. [Arab. *shaiikh*, -elder, chief]

shekarry. See SHIKAREE.

shék'el, n. Jewish weight & silver coin; (pl.) money, riches, pelf. [f. Heb. *sheqel* (*shdaqal* weigh)]

Shékin'ah, -ch-, n. Visible glory of Jehovah resting over mercy-seat. [Heb. (-*k-*), f. *shákan* dwell]

shél'drake, n. (fem. occas. *shelduck*). Kinds of bright-plumaged wild duck. [prob. f. dial. *sheld* piebald = MDu. *schilde*, DRAKE¹]

shélf, n. (pl. -ves). Projecting slab of stone or board let into or hung on wall to support things, one of the boards in cabinet, bookcase, etc., on which books etc. stand, (on the ~, put aside, done with, esp. of person past work); ledge, horizontal step-like projection in cliff face etc.; reef or sandbank under water. Hence *shélfen*¹ (-vd) a., ~FUL(2) n. [prob. f. LG *schelf*, cogn. w. OE *scylfe* of doubtful meaning & *scylf* crag]

shéll¹, n. 1. Hard outer case enclosing nuts, kinds of seed or fruit, eggs, some animals or parts of them, etc., husk, crust, pod, carapace, scale, conch, wing-case, pupa-case, (come out of one's ~, throw off reserve, become communicative). 2. Walls of unfinished or gutted house, ship, etc. 3. Outline of plan etc. 4. Inner coffin. 5. Light racing-boat. 6. Hollow metal or paper case to contain explosives for fireworks, cartridges, etc.; explosive projectile or bomb for use in big gun or mortar, whence ~PROOF¹ a.; ~cartridge. 7. Handguard of sword. 8. Lyre (poet.). 9. || (At schools) intermediate form. 10. Outward show, mere semblance. 11. (Short for) ~jacket.

12. ~back (Naut. sl.), old sailor; ~*barb*, kinds of hickory; ~*bit*, gouge-shaped boring-bit; ~ *button*, made of two metal disks enclosed in cloth etc.; ~*fish*, aquatic ~ed mollusc (oyster etc.) or crustacean (crab, shrimp, etc.); ~*heap* or ~*mound*, kitchen MIDDEN; ~*jacket*, army officer's undress jacket reaching only to waist behind; ~*time*, fine quality produced by burning sea-~s; ~*marble*, kinds containing fossil ~s; ~*shock*, disorganization of mental faculties, power of speech, etc., resulting from exposure to bombardment & other war strains; ~*work*, ornamentation of cemented on wood etc. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-ld), ~LESS, ~Y¹, aa. [OE *scell*, cf. Du. *schel*; cogn. w. SCALE¹]

shéll², v.t. & i. 1. Take out of shell, remove shell or pod from, (~ *peas*). 2. Provide, cover, or pave, with shell(s). 3. Bombard (town etc.), fire at (troops), with shells, whence ~ING¹(1) n. 4. (Of metal etc.) come off in scales. 5. ~ *out* (sl.), pay up (t. & i.), hand over required sum; ~*out* n., the game of pyramids played by three or more persons. [f. prec.]

shellac', n., & v.t. (~*king*, ~*ked*). 1. LAC¹ melted into thin plates, used for making varnish. 2. v.t. Varnish with ~. [SHELL¹, LAC¹]

shél'ta, n. Ancient hybrid cant language of Irish gipsies and pipers, Irish and Welsh travelling tinkers, etc. (largely BACK¹-slang). [?]

shél'ter¹, n. Thing serving as shield or barrier against attack, danger, heat, wind, etc. (ANDERSON, MORRISON, ~); screen or cabin built to keep off wind & rain (*calman's* ~); place of safety or immunity; shielded condition (*find, take*, ~). Hence ~LESS a. [f. 16th c. only, etym. dub.; perh. f. *shield* vb + -URE]

shél'ter², v.t. & i. Act or serve as shelter to, protect, conceal, harbour, defend from blame, screen, shield; ~ *oneself under, beneath, behind*, etc., use the protection afforded by; take shelter *under, in, from*; || ~ed *trades*, those not exposed to foreign competition, e.g. building & inland transport. [f. prec.]

|| **shél'tý**, -tíe, n. (Sc.). Shetland pony. [prob. f. ON *Hjalti* Shetland]

shél've¹, v.t. Put on shelf (books etc.), (fig.) abandon or defer consideration of (plan etc.), cease to employ (person); fit (cupboard etc.) with shelves, whence **shél'ving**¹(3) n. [f. SHELF]

shél've², v.i. Slope gently. [cf. WFRIS. *shelv* oblique; unconnected w. *shel*']

shelves. See SHELF.

Shema' (-ah), n. The *Hear, O Israel, Jews'* confession of faith. [the initial wd. Heb. = hear]

Shé'el, n. Hebrew Hades, place of the dead, the grave. [Heb.]

shēp'herd (-perd, n., & v.t. 1. Man who tends sheep at pasture, pastor (lit., & fig., esp. of minister in relation to his flock; *the good S-*, Christ); ~s-club, -joy, -knot, -purse, -rod, etc., plants; ~s crook, staff with hook at one end used by ~s; ~s pie, minced meat baked under mashed potatoes; ~s plaid, small black & white check pattern in cloth; hence ~ESS¹ (-per-) n. 2. v.t. Tend (sheep, also fig.) as ~, marshal or conduct or drive (crowd etc.) like sheep. [SHEEP, HERD¹]

|| **shēpp'y**, n. Sheep-cote. [f. SHEEP; perh. a pseudo-archaism]

Shē'raton, n. Severe 18th-c. style of furniture (often attrib., as ~ chairs). [T. ~ maker & designer]

shērb'et, n. Eastern cooling drink of diluted fruit-juices (in pop. Engl. use, made effervescent). [Turk. & Pers., f. Arab. *shariba* to drink]

sherd. See SHARD.

sherif' (-ēf, n. Descendant of Mohammed through Fatima, entitled to wear green turban or veil; chief magistrate of Mecca. [f. Arab. *sharif* lofty]

shē'riff, n. || Chief officer of crown in county or shire, charged with the keeping of the peace, administering justice under direction of the courts, executing writs by deputy, presiding over elections, etc.; *elective officer responsible for keeping the peace in his county. [OE *scir-gerefa* (SHIRE, REVE¹)]

shē'riffalty, **shē'riffdom**, **shē'riffhood**, **shē'riffship**, nn. Shrievalty, office of shoriff. [-alty after *shrievalty*; -dom, -hood, -SHIP]

shē'riry, n. White wine of Xeres or of South Spain (*brown* ~, dark varieties); ~glass, wineglass containing about four table-spoons; ~ COBBLER. [earlier *sherris* f. *Xeres*]

Shēt'land, n. Group of islands NNE of Scotland (~ *lace*, openwork woollen trimming; ~ *pony*, small hardy breed; ~ *wool*, fine kind).

shew. See SHOW¹; ~bread, see SHOW¹.

Shi'ah, **Shi'ite**, (shū-), nn. Member of the Mohammedan sect (cf. *Sunni*, see SUN-NAH) that regards Ali as first Imam or successor of Mohammed & rejects first three Sunni Caliphs. [Arab., = sect]

shibb'leth, n. Test word or principle or behaviour or opinion, the use of or inability to use which betrays one's party, nationality, etc. (see *Judg.* xii. 6); old-fashioned & generally abandoned doctrine once held essential. [Heb.]

shield, n., & v.t. 1. Various shaped & sized detached piece of armour made of leather, wood, or metal, for wearing on left arm to receive thrust or stroke, esp. (cf. *buckler*, *target*) one of elongated form large enough to cover most of body (*the other side of the ~*, the aspect of a question etc. that is less obvious, or that is not the

one lately presented); protective plate or screen in machinery etc.; person or thing that protects one; ~like part in animal or plant; (Her.) drawing etc. of ~ used for displaying person's coat of arms; ~fern, common handsome fern with ~shaped covers to fruit-dots; ~hand (arch.), left hand; hence ~LESS a. 2. v.t. Protect, screen, esp. from censure or punishment (often with implication of illegitimate concealment of facts). [OE *sceld*, cf. Du. & G *scheld*]

|| **shiel'ing**, n. (Sc.). Grazing-ground for cattle; roughly constructed hut for shepherds or sportsmen; sheep-shelter. [f. Sc. *shiel* hut (etym. dub.) + -ING¹]

shi'er, -est. See SHY¹.

shift¹, v.t. & i. 1. Change or move (t. & i.) from one position to another, substitute one specimen for another, undergo such substitution, change form or character, (~ one's *ground*, take up new position in argument etc.; ~ one's *lodging*; ~ *load into other hand*; ~ *the scene*, the scene ~s, in theatre, novel, etc.; || ~ one's *shirt* etc., arch., change it; *carpo* ~ed, got shaken out of place; often ~ *about*; ~ off responsibility etc., get rid of, transfer to another; *wind* ~s *round to the E.*) 2. Use expedients, take whatever course is available, contrive to do something, manage or get along or make a livelihood, (*must* ~ as I can, for himself). 3. Evasive, practise evasion, (rare; ~s & *prevaricates*). [OE *scifan* divide, cf. Du. *schiften* divide, ON *skipta* divide, shift]

shift², n. 1. Change of place or character, substitution of one thing for another, vicissitude, rotation, (rare; *the ~s & changes of life*; ~ of crops, rotation). 2. Relay of workmen, time for which it works. 3. New device, expedient, resource, whence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY¹ adv., ~LESSNESS n. 4. Dodge, trick, artifice, piece of evasion or equivocation, whence ~T² a. (~y eyes, deceitful), ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. 5. Make ~ or a ~, manage or contrive (to do, or abs.), get along somehow (*must make ~ without it*). 6. (arch.). Chemise. 7. Arrangement by which joints of successive tiers in brickwork etc. do not coincide. [ME *schēft* cogn. w. prec.; cf. ON *skipti* division, exchange, Sw. *skift* spell, relay]

Shiite. See SHIAH.

shikā', n. (Angle-Ind.). Hunting. [Hind.] **shikā'ee** (-ri), -ri, **shēkā' rry**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Hunter; native attendant of sportsman. [Hind. (-i), f. prec.]

shille'lagh (-lā), -lāh, n. Irish cudgel of blackthorn or oak. [*Shillelagh* in Ireland]

|| **shill'ing**, n. (abbr. s., as 3s.). British silver coin & money of account—1/20 of pound or twelve pence (*1/6*, a ~ & sixpence; *£1* 1s. 1d.; *take King's or Queen's ~*, enlist as soldier, w. ref. to now obs.

method of recruiting; *cut off* one's hair etc. *with a ~*, leave one's property to others; *~s-worth*¹. [OE *scilling*, cf. Du. *schelling*, G *schilling*; perh. = thin slice (SKILL, -LING¹)]

shilly-shally, n., a., & v.i. 1. Inability to make up one's mind, indecision, vacillation. 2. adj. Vacillating. 3. v.i. Vacillate, be undecided, hesitate to act or choose one's course. [f. *shall* I? w. redupl.]

shilly. See SHY¹.

shim, n., & v.t. (-mm-). Thin slip or wedge used in machinery etc. to make parts fit; (vb) fit or fill up thus. [f]

shimm'er, v.i., & n. (Shine with) tremulous or faint diffused light. [OE *scymrian*, cf. G *schimmern*]

shimm'ry, n. (Colloq., nursery, etc., for) CHERMISE.

***shimm'ry**, n., & v.i. 1. Kind of fox-trot accompanied by tremulous motions of body. 2. v.i. Dance a. [f]

shin, n., & v.i. & t. (-nn-). 1. Front of leg below knee (~bone, tibia; ~ of beef, ox's shank); ~guard, worn at football. 2. vb. Climb up (tree, wall, ladder, etc.; or with up adv.); kick ~s of, back. [OE *scinu*, cf. Du. *schēen*, G *schien*; perh. orig. = thin slice]

shin'dy, n. Brawl, disturbance, row, noise, (often KICK ¹ up a ~). [perh. f. Sc. *shinny* or *shinty* kind of hockey]

shine¹, v.i. & t. (*shōne*). Emit or reflect light, be bright, glow, (lit. & fig.; *face shone with soap or with gratitude* etc.); be brilliant, be a luminary, excel, in some respect or sphere (*does not ~ in conversation, society; is a shining example*); (colloq.) make bright, polish, (boots, fire-place, brass, etc.). [OE *scinan*, cf. Du. *schijnen*, G *scheinen*]

shine², n. Light, brightness, (chiefly colloq.; *rain or ~*, whatever the weather; *put a good ~ on boots* etc.; *take the ~ out of*, impair brilliance or newness of, also throw into the shade by surpassing); (sl.) disturbance, shindy, sensation; **take a ~ to* (sl.), take a fancy for. [f. prec.]

shin'er, n. (sl.). A coin, esp. sovereign, (pl.) money. [SHINE¹, -RR¹]

shingle¹ (*shing'gl*), n., & v.t. 1. Rectangular slip of wood used like roof-tile on roofs, spires, etc.; *small signboard; ~d hair, this style of hairdressing. 2. v.t. Roof with ~s; cut (hair of head) so that all ends are exposed like roof-~s, cut hair of (head, person) thus. [n. f. L *scindula*, earlier *scandula*]

shingle² (*shing'gl*), n. Small rounded pebbles lying on sea-shore. Hence **shing'ly**¹ (-ng-), a. [earlier *ch-*, perh. *imit.*, cf. *chink*]

shingles (*shing'glz*), n. pl. Skin-disease; inflamed band often round right half of body at waist. [f. med. L *cingulus*; L *cingulum* girdle (*cingers* gird)]

Shin'tō, n. Japanese religion partly ousted by Buddhism. Hence ~ISM, ~IST, nn. [f. Chin. *shin tao* way of the gods]

shin'ty, shinn'y, n. Variation of hockey played in Scotland and N. England; stick or ball used in it. [perh. f. Gael. *sinteag* a bound; cf. SHINDY]

shin'y, a. Glistening, polished, rubbed bright, (~y hat, boots, etc.; ~y coat, spams, with nap worn off). Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

ship¹, n. (regarded as fem., w. pron. *she, her*). 1. Vessel with bowsprit & three, four, or five square-rigged masts (cf. BARQUE, BRIG, SCHOONER, SLOOP); any sea-going vessel of considerable size (BATTLE¹ ~, ~ of the LINE², MERCHANT~, SAIL¹ing~, WAR~; *sister ~*, built on same plan as another; ~ of the desert, camel; ABOUT~; PUMP~; *take ~*, embark; on BOARD¹; *when my etc. ~ comes home*, when I etc. make my etc. fortune); (sl.) boat, esp. racing-boat; *aircraft; on ~board, on board ~. 2. ~(-s) biscuit, hard coarse kind made for keeping used on board ~; ~breaker, contractor who breaks up old ~s; ~broker, agent transacting ~s business in port, dealer in ~s, marine-insurance agent; ~builder, ~building; ~canal, for conveying ~s inland; ~CHANDLER(y); ~fever, typhus; ~letter, conveyed by other than mail~; ~load, quantity of something forming whole cargo; ~mate, person belonging to or sailing on same ~ as another, esp. fellow sailor; ~money (hist.), impost for providing ~s for navy, revival of which by Charles I was a cause of Great Rebellion; ~owner, person owning (shares in) ~s; ~railway, for transportation of ~s overland from water to water; ~rigged, as ~ in first sense; ~s articles, terms on which seamen take service on her; ~s COMPANY¹; || ~s CORPORAL²; ~shape adv. or pred. a., in good order (& see BRISTOL); ~s husband, ~-broker in first sense; ~s papers, documents establishing ownership, nationality, nature of cargo, etc., of ~; ~way, inclined structure on which ~ is built & down which it slides to be launched; ~worm, mollusc boring into ~ timbers; ~wreck n., destruction of ~ by storm, foundering, stranding, striking rock, etc., (fig.) ruin (*make ~wreck*, be ruined; *make or suffer ~wreck* of one's hopes etc.); ~wreck v.t. & i., inflict ~wreck lit. or fig. on (person, hopes, etc., rarely ~), suffer ~wreck; ~wright, ~builder; ~yard, ~building establishment. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *scip*, cf. Du. *schip*, G *schiff*]

ship², v.t. & i. (-pp-). Put, take, or send away (goods, passengers, sailors) on board ship; (Commerc.) deliver (goods) to forwarding agent for conveyance by land or water; step (mast), fix (rudder etc.), in its place on ship (~ cars, take from

rowlocks & lay inside boat); (of ship or boat) ~ a sea, be flooded by wave; take ship, embark, (of sailor) take service on ship. [f. prec.]

-ship, suf. f. OE *-scipe* (cf. Du. *-schap*, G *-schaft*) f. Teut. root *skap* form, make, forming abstract nn. on adjl. as *hard~*, *woor~* (worth adjl.), and on nn. as *lord~*, *friend~*, *scholar~*, *apprentice~*; in the latter use it is a living suf.; meaning, (1) being so-&-so, status, office, honour, (2) tenure of office, (3) skill in certain capacity. *Landscape* also contains the suf.

ship'ment, n. Putting of goods etc. on ship; amount shipped, consignment. [SHIP¹, -MENT]

|| **shipp'en, -on**, n. (chiefly dial.). Cow-house, cattleshed. [OE *scypen*; cogn. w. SHOP]

shipp'er, n. Merchant etc. who sends or gets goods by ship. [-ER¹]

shipp'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: ships, esp. the ships of a country, port, etc.; ~agent, person acting for ship or line of ships at a port etc.; ~articles, agreement between captain & seamen as to wages etc.; ~bill, manifest of goods shipped; || ~master, official in whose presence ~articles are signed, paying off is done, etc.; ~office, ~agent's or ~master's. [-ING¹]

|| **shife** (as suf. pr. -sher), n. County (chiefly now as suf. in names of certain counties & districts, as *Hamp~, Hullam~*, with some of which it is omisable, as *Devon~* or *Devon*, & in pl. the ~s, band of counties stretching NE from Hamp~ & Devon~ ending in ~, also loose term for midland counties, & for the hunting district including Leics. & Rutland & Northants.); ~bred horse, ~horse, largest breed of draught horse raised esp. in Lincoln~ & Cambridge~; KNIGHT of the ~. [OE *scir* business, administration, province, etym. dub.; not connected w. *shear, share*]

shirk, v.t., & n. 1. Avoid meanly, get out of, shrink selfishly from, (duty, responsibility, fighting, etc.; also abs.); hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. ~er. [f. obs. *shirk* n. sponger, sharper, perh. f. G *schurke*]

***shif(r)**, n., & v.t. 1. Elastic webbing; elastic thread woven into fabric; gathered trimming, gathering in costumery. 2. v.t. Gather (material) with parallel threads run through; hence **shif'ring**¹ n. [f]

shift, n. Man's sleeved under-garment worn under cloth clothes, extending from neck to thighs, usu. visible at collar & wrist-bands, & made of linen, cotton, flannel, or silk (wheat~; stripped to the ~, in one's ~sleeves, without coat & waist-coat, coat; near to my ~, but nearer to my skin, self is the first consideration; keep one's ~ on; al., keep one's temper; get

one's ~ off, al., make him angry; put one's ~ on, upon, al., bet all one has upon; give one a wet ~, work him till he sweats; woman's blouse with stiff collar & cuffs; ~front, breast of ~, usu. stiffened & starched (~front wicket, absolutely true & smooth cricket pitch), also dicky. Hence ~ED¹, ~LESS, aa., ~ING¹(3) n., ~Y¹ a. (sl.), in a rage, annoyed. [OE *scyrle*, cf. ON *skyrta* shirt, G *Schürze* apron, cogn. w. SHORT, SKIRT]

shit, v.l., & n. (vulg.). 1. Evacuate bowels. 2. n. Ordure (& as term of abuse), (earlier *sc(h)-*, cf. ON *skita*, Du. *schiften*, G *scheissen*)

shiv'er¹, v.l., & n. 1. Experience or show quick slight vibrating movement (such as is) caused by sensation of cold, tremble with cold; ~ing-fit, as in ague; hence ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. Momentary ~ing movement (often pl., as *gives me the ~s*), whence ~Y¹ a. [ME *chiveren*, etym. dub.] **shiv'er**², n. (usu. pl.), & v.t. & i. 1. (One of) the many small pieces into which thing is shattered by blow or fall. 2. vb. Break (t. & i.) into ~s (~my timbers, reputed naut. imprecation). [ME *scifre* cf. obs. *shive* slice, & G *schiefer* slate]

shoal¹, a., n., & v.l. 1. Shallow, not deep, (only lit., of water). 2. n. Shallow place, submerged sandbank esp. one that shows at low water, (fig., usu. pl.) hidden danger(s) or impediment(s), whence ~Y¹ a., ~INESS n. 3. v.l. Get shallower. [OE *secalit*]

shoal², n., & v.l. 1. Multitude, crowd, great number, esp. of fish swimming in company (also SCHOOL¹), (~s of people; gets letters in ~s). 2. v.l. (Of fish) form ~s. [perh. f. OE *seolu* troop of soldiers, cf. OSax. *scola* multitude; but prob. a re-adoption f. Du. of SCHOOL¹]

shock¹, n. 1. Violent collision, concussion, or impact (*three ~s of earthquake were felt; clashed with a mighty ~; ~tactics*, use of cavalry to charge in masses; ~troops, troops specially trained for the offensive). 2. Sudden & disturbing physical or mental impression (*news came upon me with a ~, was a great ~; electric ~, stimulation of nerves by passage of current through body*); (Path.) state of prostration following overstimulation of nerves by sudden pain as of wound etc. or violent emotion (*died of ~; the ~ is more dangerous than the loss of blood*). 3. Injury inflicted on credit, stability, etc., great disturbance of organization or system. 4. ~brigade, ~workers, (in U.S.S.R.) body of workers selected or volunteering for some specially arduous task. [f. F *choc* (choquer, see foll.)]

shock², v.t. & i. Affect with indignation, disgust, or horror, appear improper or outrageous or scandalous to (*was read at, by, to hear, etc.*), whence ~ING¹ a. & adv. (~ing bad etc. colloq.), ~ingly¹

adv., ~ingness n.; collide violently (poet.). [f. F *choquer* clash, etym. dub.]

shock¹, n., & v.t. 1. Group of usu. twelve corn-sheaves stood up close together in field. 2. v.t. Arrange (corn) in ~s. [cf. MDu. *schok* ~, sixty, MHG *schock* heap, sixty, MSw. *skokk* crowd]

shock², n. Unkempt or shaggy mass of hair; ~ head, rough head of hair, whence ~headn² a. [perh. f. obs. *shock-dog* or *shough* poodle, etym. dub.]

|| **shock**³er, n. (colloq.). Very bad specimen of anything; sensational cheap novel. [-ER¹]

shod. See SHOE¹.

shōdd¹, n. & a. 1. Fibre made from old cloth etc. shredded; inferior cloth made partly of such fibre; anything of worse quality than it claims or seems to have. 2. adj. Counterfeit, pretentious, trashy. [prob. f. OE *seodan* shēd¹]

shoe¹ (-ōō), n. 1. Outer foot-covering, esp. not reaching above ankle (*that's another pair of ~s*, another matter; *dead men's ~s*, property or position as looked forward to by expectant successor; *be in person's ~s*, in his plight; *die in one's ~s*, by violence, esp. hanging; *where the ~ pinches*, hardships of one's own lot; *put the ~ on the right foot*, apportion blame etc. truly). 2. Metal rim nailed to hoof of horse etc. 3. Thing like ~ in shape or use, e.g. wheel-drag, socket, ferrule, mast-step. 4. ~s & stockings, bird's-foot trefoil; || ~black, boy or man who blacks ~s of passers-by; ~buckle, for fastening ~ over instep (now usu. worn only as ornament); ~horn, instrument of horn, metal, etc., for helping ~ on to foot; ~lace, ~string, for lacing up ~; ~latchet (Bibl.), fastening of ~; ~leather, leather for ~s, ~s (as good a man as ever trod ~leather, lived); ~lift, = ~horn; ~maker, maker of boots & ~s. Hence ~LESS (-ōōl-) a. [OE *scōh*, cf. Du. *schoen*, G *schuh*; perh. cogn. w. SHADE, SKY]

shoe² (-ōō), v.t. (*shōd*; part. ~ing). Fit with shoe(s) (esp. with horse etc. as obj., or in p.p. as *neatly shod feet*, *pole shod with iron*). [f. prec.]

shōg¹ (-ōōn), n. (hist.). Japanese hereditary commander-in-chief & virtual ruler for some centuries until the office was abolished 1868. Hence ~ATR¹ n. [Jap., = general]

shone. See SHINE¹.

shōō, int., & v.i. & t. (Utter) sound used to frighten birds away; drive away thus. [imit.]

shook¹. See SHAKE¹.

shōk¹, n., & v.t. 1. Set of staves & headings for card ready for putting together. 2. v.t. Pack in ~s. [prob. p.p. of *shake*; *shaken card* is used in same sense] **shōt**¹, v.i. & t. (*shōē*). 1. Come vigorously or swiftly out, forth, along, up, etc., or sbt., sprout, dart, (*boat shot out from the*

creek; ~ing STAR¹; *flask ~s across sky*; ~ ahead, come quickly to front of competitors etc.; *buds are ~ing*; *tree ~s*, put forth buds; *fountain, flame, ~s up*; *prices shot up*, rose suddenly; *cricket-ball ~s*, darts along ground when it touches, instead of bouncing; *child is ~ing up*, growing tall; *pain ~s through nerves* etc.; *corn, tooth, ~s*, inflicts intermittent pain). 2. Project abruptly out (*mountain ~spur*, *cape, ~s out*). 3. Send out, discharge, propel, emit, violently or swiftly (~*rubbish* etc., let it slide from cart or receptacle; *bow, gun, ~s arrow, shell*; *passengers were shot out of coach*; *sun ~s its rays*; ~out one's lips, Bibl., protrude in scorn; ~ one's linen, display wristbands by shaking them down; ~ the cat, sl., vomit; ~ *fishing-net*, extend it across river etc.; ~ bolt of door, send it home; *tree ~s out branches*); ~! (sl.), say what you have to say. 4. Discharge (bullet etc.) from gun etc., cause (bow, gun, etc.) to discharge missile, discharge gun etc., make use well etc. of gun etc., kill or wound (person, animal) with missile from gun etc., hunt game etc. habitually or on one occasion with gun, ~ the game over estate etc., ~ game on (estate etc.), (of gun etc.) go off, send missile straight etc., (*fool's bolt is soon shot*; *I'll be shot if —*, form of negative asseveration; *can army or sportsman, does gun, ~ straight?*; *was shot for a spy*; ~ a match, engage in ~ing-match; *will ~ the coverts tomorrow*; *neither rides nor ~s*; *was out ~ing*; *have shot away all our ammunition*). 5. (Cinemat.) photograph. 6. (Assoc. Footb., Hockey, etc.) take a shot at goal. 7. ~ up, terrorize (village, district) with punitive rifle-shooting, firing of houses, etc.; ~ the sun (Naut.), take its altitude with the sextant at noon; || ~ the moon (sl.), remove one's goods by night to avoid paying rent. 8. Be, have one's boat, swept swiftly under or down (bridge, rapid fall; ~ *Niagara*, attempt desperate enterprise). 9. (Joinery) plane (edge of board) accurately (hence *shot edges*). 10. p.p. (Of coloured material) so woven etc. as to show different colours at different angles (*shot silk*; *crimson shot with maize-colour*). 11. || ~ing-box, sportsman's lodge for use in ~ing-season; ~ing-coat, -jacket, -boots, of patterns useful in ~ing game; ~ing-iron (sl.), fire-arm; ~ing-range, ground with butts for rifle practice; ~ing war, one in which there is ~ing (opp. *cold war* or *WAR¹ of nerves*). Hence ~ABLE a. [OE *scōtan*, cf. Du. *schieten*, G *schieszen*]

shōt², n. Young branch or sucker; rapid in stream; inclined plane down which water etc. may flow or things slide, chute; shooting party or expedition or practice or (= SHOOTING) land. [f. prec.]

shōt³er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: ball that

shoots at cricket; (in comb.) shooting-implement (P&A~; six etc. ~, revolver firing six etc. shots). [-ER¹]

shōōt'ing, n. In vbl senses (for compounds see SHOOT¹); esp.: right of ~ over particular land; estate etc. rented to shoot over. [-ING¹]

shōp, n., & v.t. & t. (-pp-). 1. Building, room, etc., for retail sale of some commodity (chemist's, butcher's, fruit-, ~; come to the wrong ~, transf., apply to wrong person etc.), or in which manufacture or repairing is done (engineering-~, fitting, pattern, etc., ~, departments of manufactory). 2. || (sl.). Institution, establishment, etc., (e.g. one's school, university, etc.; esp. formerly of R.M.A., Woolwich; the other ~, rival institution). 3. One's profession, trade, or business, things connected with it, or talk about it, (CLOSE^d ~; shut up ~, cease doing something; talk ~; sink the ~, refrain from talking ~, also conceal one's occupation; SMELL of the ~), whence ~p'Y² a. 4. All over the ~ (sl.), in disorder, in every direction, wildly, (have looked for it all over the ~; my books are all over the ~; hitting, steering, etc., all over the ~). 5. ~bell, on door to give notice of customer's entrance; ~boy, -girl, assistants in ~; ~keeper, owner of ~ (nation of ~keepers, the English); ~lifter, pretended customer who steals goods in ~; ~man ~keeper or his assistant; ~soiled, = ~worn; || ~steward, person elected by his fellow workmen in a factory or branch of it as their spokesman on conditions of work etc.; || ~walker, attendant in large ~ who directs customers; ~window, window of ~ used for display of wares (has everything in the ~ window, transf., is superficial); ~worn, soiled or faded by being shown in ~. 6. vb. Go to ~(s) to make purchases, whence ~p'ING¹ n.; (sl.) imprison, (of informer) cause (accomplice) to be imprisoned. {OE *scœppa* booth, cf. G *schopf* porch, shed}

shōre¹, n. Land that skirts sea or large body of water (in ~, on the water near or nearer to ~); (Law) land between ordinary high & low water marks. Hence ~LESS (-ōl-) a., ~WARD (-ōrw-) a. & adv. [ME *schore*, cf. Du. *schoor* prob. cogn. w. SHEAR¹]

shōre², n., & v.t. 1. Prop, beam set obliquely against ship, wall, tree, etc., as support. 2. v.t. Support, hold up, with ~(s). Hence shōr'ING¹(3) n. [ME *schore*, cf. Du. *schoor*, ON *skortha*]

shore³, shorn. See SHEAR¹.

shōrt, a., adv., n., & v.t. 1. Measuring little from end to end in space or time, soon traversed or finished, (a ~ way off; a ~ time ago; ~ story, of the character of a novel but less lengthy; ~ cut¹; ~ circuit, electric circuit made through a small resistance, esp. one acting as a shunt to

one of greater resistance, form of this due to a fault that allows current's escape to earth; ~circuit v.t., establish ~ circuit in, cut off current from thus; ~ DIVISION; ~ drink, cocktail etc. esp. before a meal; ~er CATACISM; ~ rib, = false rib; ~ SHRIFF; ~ WHIST²; a ~ sea, ~ broken waves; make ~ work of, dispose of or destroy or consume quickly; he, his joy etc., had but a ~ life, whence ~LIVED² a.; ~ temper, self-control that is soon or easily lost, whence ~tempered² a.; ~ waist in dress, made high up, whence ~waisted² a.; ~ wind, easily exhausted breathing-power, inability to run long or fig. to talk or write at any length, whence ~winded² a., ~wind'edness n.; ~ clothes or coats, dress of child too old for long-clothes, whence ~coat v.t.). 2. Of small stature, not tall, (usu. of human beings, or of upright things, as chimney, tower, tree). 3. Not far-reaching, acting near at hand, deficient, scanty, in want of, below the degree of, abruptly finished, (~ sight, not seeing clearly at distance or fig. into the future, whence ~sighted² a., ~sight'edly² adv., ~sight'edness n.; at ~ range; take ~ views, consider the present only; ~ date, early date for maturing of bill etc., whence ~dated² a.; ~ bill, paper, etc., dated for early payment; ~ LEG, SLIP, in cricket; has a ~ memory; are ~ of hands, have not enough workmen, whence ~hande² a.; ~ of breath, panting, ~winded; ~ COMMONS; in ~ supply, scarce; ~ weight, less than it is represented to be; a ~ ten miles, mile, hour, etc., less or seeming less than that; cut ~, bring to end before natural time; come ~, disappoint expectations etc., fail of one's duty or proper development, whence ~coming¹ n.; fall ~, be insufficient or inadequate; run ~, have or be too little, as our tea ran ~, we ran ~ of tea; an escape nothing ~ of marvelous). 4. Concise, brief, curt, sullenly or snappishly reticent, (the LONG¹ & the ~ of it; in ~, to use few words, without circumlocution, to give the conclusion briefly; is called Bob for ~, by way of ~ name; was very ~ with me, unconvil). 5. (Phonet., Pros.; of vowel or syllable) (prop.) having the less of the two recognized durations, (pop.) unstressed, (also, of vowel) having the or an other sound than that called LONG¹ (e.g. those in *met*, *pull*, *but*). 6. (Of pastry, clay, etc.) friable, crumbling, not tenacious, (cf. COLD-SHORT). 7. (St. Eksh. etc.; of stocks, stockbroker, crops, etc.) sold, selling, etc., when the amount is not in hand in reliance on getting the deficit in time for delivery. 8. Something ~, a drink of spirits etc.; ~bread, ~cake, brittle dry cake made with flour & much butter & sugar; ~fall, deficit; ~hand, methods of compendious writing used for taking verbatim reports of speeches

etc., stenography; ~ *head* (Racing), distance of less than length of horse's head (also ~*head* v.t., beat by this distance); ~*horn*, name of ~horned breed of cattle; ~*metre*, hymn stanza of 4 lines (8, 6, 8, 6 syllables); ~*suit* (of less than four cards); ~*time*, condition of working less than the regular number of hours per day or days per week; ~*TON*¹; ~*wave* (Wireless), having a wavelength of from 10 to 100 metres; hence ~*ISH*¹ (2) a., ~*NES* n. 9. adv. Abruptly, before the natural or expected time, in ~ manner, (*took him up* ~, interrupted him; *stop* ~, suddenly cease, not go on to the end; *bring*, or *pull*, *up* ~, check or pause abruptly; *be taken* ~, have sudden motion of bowels; ~*spoken*, given to brevity of speech; *sell* ~, when one has not the articles in hand, see the adj.); ~ *of*, except, putting out of the question, (~ *of committing suicide he does his best to keep out of the way*). 10. n. ~ syllable (LONG's & ~s) or vowel; mark indicating that vowel is ~, as á; ~ film; (colloq.) a ~ circuit; (pl.) garment like trousers cut ~ worn by athletes, boy scouts, boys, etc. 11. v.t. (colloq.). To ~ circuit. [OE *scort*, cf. OHG *scurz*, cogn. w. SKIRT, SHIRT]

short'age, n. (Amount of) deficiency (*there is no ~, a ~ of 100 tons*). [-AGE]

short'en, v.i. & t. Become or make actually or apparently shorter or short, curtail; reduce the amount of *sail* spread; put (child) into short clothes. Hence ~*ING*¹ (3) n., fat used for making pastry crisp. [-EN¹]

short'ly, adv. Before long, a short time before or after; in few words, briefly; curtly. [-LY¹]

shōt', n. (pl. ~s, also ~ see below), & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Single missile for fire-arm or big gun, non-explosive projectile, (usu. with qualification or in comb., as *round*, *solid*, *CHAIN*, *GRAPE*, *CASE*², *BUCK*¹, ~; *chilled* ~, case-hardened for armour-piercing; *a ~ in the LOCKER*); (pl. usu. ~) small lead pellets of which a quantity is used for single charge or cartridge esp. in sporting guns, such pellets collectively, (~ *does* or *do well for cleaning decanters*; *put three ~ or ~s of different sizes on the gut*; ~ *is made in various ways*; *about a dozen n° 10 ~ were extracted from his leg*). 2. Discharge of fire-arm or big gun (*several ~s were fired*, *heard*, etc.); attempt to hit with projectile or missile or fig. to make stroke in game or guess or do something (*at each ~ he was nearer the bull's-eye*; *a beautiful ~ from cover-point took off the balls*; *a lucky ~ at goal*; *made a bad ~, guessed wrong*; *am going to have a good ~ at spinning*; *snap ~, discharging of rifle etc. with momentary aim*, cf. *SNAREHOT*; *fling* ~, at bird on wing or moving object; *PARTISAN*, *random*, ~; (-)~, range, *snatch*, distance to or at which thing

will carry or act, as *bow*, *rifle*, *ear*, ~).

3. Possessor of specified skill with rifle, gun, pistol, etc. (*is a good, bad, crack or first-class*, or *no*, ~). 4. Dose of cocaine, injection of morphine, etc.; (colloq.) *dram of spirits*. 5. Photograph taken with cinematograph camera. 6. ~*tower*, in which ~ is made from molten lead poured through sieves at top & falling into water at bottom; hence ~*PROOF*² a. 7.; v.t. Load, weight, etc., with ~. [OE *pepceot* (Y-, *scotlan* SHOOT¹), cf. G *schoss*]

shot¹. See SHOOT¹.

shōt', n. Reckoning, (one's share of) bill at inn etc., (usu. *pay one's* ~). [var. of *scot*¹]

should. See SHALL.

shoul'der (shōl-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Part of body at which arm or foreleg or wing is attached, either lateral projection below or behind neck, (also ~*joint*) combination of end of upper arm with those of collarbone & blade-bone, (pl.) upper part of back, (pl.) body regarded as bearing burdens, (of slaughtered animal) foreleg with parts usu. kept with it in dismembering, (*HEAD*¹ & ~s; *dislocate one's* ~; ~ *to* ~, with closed ranks or united effort; *has broad ~s*, is strong, can bear much weight or responsibility; *old head on young ~s*, youthful wisdom, wise young person; *put*, *set*, ~ *to wheel*, make effort; *straight from the ~*, said of well-delivered blow or telling invective; ~*of-mutton sail*, triangular fore-&-aft sail hoisted abaft mast; *COLD*¹ ~; *COLD*¹ ~ v.t.; *lay the blame*, *burden*, etc., *on the right ~s*). 2. Part of mountain, bottle, tool, etc., projecting like human ~. 3. (Mil.) position of soldier who has ~ed arms (see vb). 4. ~*belt*, baldric, bandolier, or other band passing over one ~ & under opposite arm; ~*blade*, either large flat bone of upper back, scapula; ~*brace*, contrivance for flattening round back of child etc.; ~*knot*, of ribbon or metal lace worn on ~ by livery servant; ~*pegged*, (of horse) stiff in ~s; ~*strap*, band from ~ tip in soldier's uniform, keeping ~-belts in place & bearing name or number of regiment etc.; hence (-)~*ED*² (-erd) a. 5. vb. Push (t. & i.) with ~, jostle, make way thus; take (burden lit. or fig.) on one's ~s; (Mil.) ~ *arms*, hold rifle vertical supported by right hand at look (cf. *SLOP* v.). [OE *sculder*, cf. Du. *schouder*, G *schulter*, etym. dub.]

shout, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make loud articulate or inarticulate cry or vocal sound, speak loudly, (~*ed with laughter*; ~ *for joy*; ~ *at*, speak loudly to etc.; *all is over but the ~ing*, contest is virtually decided); say loudly, call out, express in loud tones, (~ *approbation*; ~*ed that the coast was clear*; ~*ed to or for me to come*; 'Go back' he ~ed). 2. n. Loud utterance or vocal sound from individual or com-

pany expressing joy, (dis)approval, defiance, etc., or calling attention (*my* etc. ~, sl., turn to order drink etc. for the company). [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

shove (-tív), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Push (t. & i.) vigorously, move (t.) along by hard or rough pushing; make one's way *along, past, through*, etc., by pushing, jostle (person); ~ *halfpenny*, modern gambling form of shovelfboard; (colloq.) put somewhere (~ *it in the drawer*); ~ *off*, start from shore in boat. 2. n. Push (*give* one a ~ *off*, help him to start); woody centre of flax-stem. [OE *scufan*, cf. Du. *schuiven*, G *schieben*]

shovel (-tív), n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Scooping implement for shifting coal, earth, etc., often in form of spade with sides of blade turned up; ~ *hat*, broad-brimmed as worn by Anglican dignitaries; ~ *head*, kinds of sturgeon & shark, also ~ *nose*; hence ~ *FUL*(2) (shúv'elbóil) n. (pl. ~ *fuls*). 2. v.t. Shift (coal etc.) with or as with ~ (*food into one's mouth*, eat greedily). [OE *scoff*, cf. Du. *schaffel* hoe, G *schaufel*; cogn. w. prec.]

shovelfboard (shúv'elbórd), n. Game played (now esp. on ship's deck) by impelling disks (formerly coins) with hand or mace over marked surface. [earlier *shoveboard*, -*groat* (SHOVE)]

shoveller (-tív-), n. In vbl senses; also, the spoonbill duck. [-ER¹]

show¹ (-ò), v.t. & i. (p.p. ~ *n*, rarely ~ *ed*; also *spelt*, now rarely, *shew*, *shewn*, *shewed*, w. pron. shò etc.). 1. Let be seen, disclose, manifest, offer (thing, person thing, thing to person) for inspection, exhibit, produce, give (treatment, person treatment, treatment to person), reveal, (*clothes* ~ *signs of wear*; *an aperture* ~ *the inside*; ~ *ed neither joy nor anger*, that he was annoyed, *how much he felt it*, etc.; ~ *oneself*, be seen in public; ~ *me*, I was ~ *n*, a specimen; *has nothing to* ~ *for it*, no token of achievement etc.; ~ *your tickets*, please; *got prizes for all the dogs he* ~ *ed*; ~ *CAUSE*¹; ~ *favour*, mercy, to; ~ *ed me kindness or unkindness*; ~ *fight*, not yield tamely; ~ *one's COLOUR*¹s; ~ *one's hand orig.* In cards, let out one's designs; ~ *the hoof or cloven hoof*, see CLEAVE¹; ~ *the white FEATHER*¹; ~ *a CLEAN*¹ pair of heels; ~ *a leg*, get out of bed; ~ *thing the fire*, slightly heat it. 2. Be visible or noticeable, come into sight, appear in public, have some appearance, (*the blood* ~ *s through her skin*; *stain will never* ~; *buds are just* ~ *ing*; *her husband never* ~ *s at her at-homes*, colloq.; ~ *s white*, like a disk, from here). 3. Demonstrate, prove, expound, point out, cause (person) to understand (thing), (*has* ~ *n the falsity of the tale*, that it is false, *how false it is*, it to be false; ~ *one the way*, by words, pointing, or going with or before him, also encourage by doing thing first; ~ *person*

how to write, what to do, etc.; ~ *person the DOOR*; *it only* ~ *s how little you know*; *on your own* ~ *ing*, even according to your own admission or contention).

4. Conduct (~ *ed us round the house*; ~ *one out or in*, esp. open door for his exit or entrance). 5. ~ *down*, (Poker) laying down of cards with faces up, (fig.) final test, disclosure of achievements or possibilities; ~ *forth* (arch.), exhibit, expound; ~ *off*, (trans.) display to advantage, (intr.) try to make impression by exhibiting one's wealth or skill; ~ *up*, make or be conspicuous or clearly visible, expose (fraud, impostor); *shew*¹ *broad*, twelve loaves displayed in Jewish temple & renewed each sabbath; ~ *case*, glazed case for exhibiting goods, curiosities, etc.; ~ *room*, ~ *window*, in which wares are kept, hung up, for inspection; ~ *place*, that tourists etc. go to see. [OE *scéawian* see, make see, cf. Du. *schouwen*, G *schauen*; cogn. w. I *cavere* be cautious, Gk *koeō* observe]

show² (-ò), n. 1. Showing (*voted by* ~ *of hands*; DUMB¹ ~). 2. Spectacle, exhibition, pageant, display, collection of things shown esp. for money to entertain, (*flower, horse*, etc., ~; || *Lord Mayor's* ~, procession of symbolic cars etc.; *a fine* ~ *of blossom*); (colloq.) any kind of public entertainment. 3. Upward appearance, semblance, impression produced, parade, ostentation, pomp, display, (*piece beneath the* ~ *s of things*; *there is a* ~ *of reason in it*; *good enough in outward* ~; *did it for* ~; *is fond of* ~; || *S* ~ *Sunday*, that before Commemoration at Oxford), whence ~ *Y*² (-ò) a., ~ *ily*² adv., ~ *iness* n. 4. (sl.). Concern, undertaking, organization, (RUN¹ or BOSS² *the* ~; *give away the* ~, betray its inadequacy or pretentiousness). 5. (sl.). Opportunity of acting, defending oneself, etc. (*had no* ~ *at all*; *give him a fair* ~). 6. (Obstetr.) discharge indicating approach of labour. 7. ~ *boat* (orig. U.S.), (river) steamboat in which theatrical performances are given; ~ *girl*, actress whose role is decorative rather than histrionic; ~ *man*, proprietor or manager of menagerie or other such ~; ~ *manship*, the art of the ~ *man*, (fig.) capacity for exhibiting one's wares or oneself to the best advantage. [f. prec.]

show'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Brief fall of rain, or of hail, arrows, bullets, dust, stones, etc. (also fig., as *a* ~ *of gifts, honours*; *letters come in* ~ *s*); ~ *bath*, in which water descends from above through perforated plate; hence ~ *Y*² a., ~ *iness* n. 2. vb. Discharge (water, missiles, etc.) in a ~, bestow (gifts etc. usu. upon); descend or come in a ~. [OE *scōr*, cf. Du. *schor*, G *schauer*]

|| **shram**, v.t. (dial.; -mm-; usu. in p.p.). Benumb with or with cold. [perh. cogn. w. OE *scrīman* shrivel]

shrank. See **SERINK**.

shrap'nel, *n.* Bullets or pieces of metal contained in shell timed to burst slightly short of objective & let them fly on in shower; part of bomb etc. so scored as to break & scatter. [Inventor's name]

shred, *n.*, & *v.t.* (~*ded*, arch. ~). 1. Scrap, fragment, rag, strip, torn or broken piece, small remains, least amount, (*lore it to ~s*; *without a ~ of clothing on him*; *not a ~ of evidence, reputation, etc.*; *tear an argument etc. to ~s*, completely refute it). 2. *v.t.* Tear or cut into ~s. [OE *scréade* *n.*, *scréadian* *vb.*, cf. G *schrot*; cogn. w. **SEROUD**, doublet of **SCREEN**]

shrew (-ō), *n.* 1. Scolding woman, whence ~'ISH¹ (-ōf-) *a.*, ~'ishly¹ *adv.*, ~'ishness *n.* 2. (Also ~mouse) small long-snouted mammal, like mouse, feeding on insects. [OE *scréawa* ~mouse]

shrewd (-ōd), *a.* (Of pain, cold, etc.) sharp, biting, (literary, esp. ~ *blow, knock, thrust, turn*); sagacious, sensible, discriminating, astute, judicious, (*can make a ~ guess*; *a ~ observer*; ~ *face* etc., sagacious-looking). Hence ~'LY² *adv.*, ~'NESS *n.* [ME *shrewed* (prec., -ED, cf. *dogged, crabbed*)]

shriek, *v.i. & t.*, & *n.* (Utter) shrill & usu. inarticulate cry of terror, pain, etc., screech, scream; laugh uncontrollably (*usu. ~ with laughter*); ~ *out*, say in shrill agonized tones. [var. of **SCREECH**]

shrievalty, *n.* Sheriff's office or jurisdiction, tenure of this. [as **SHERIFF** w. **F** suf. as **COMMONALTY**]

shriff, *n.* (Arch.) confession to priest, confession & absolution, (now only in *short ~*, little time between condemnation & execution or punishment). [OE *scrift* (**SHRIVE**)]

shrike, *n.* Kinds of bird called also *butcher-bird* with strong hooked & toothed bill & habit of impaling its prey of small birds & insects on thorns. [prob. f. OE *scric* missel-thrush or perh. any shrill-voiced bird; cogn. w. **SERIEK**]

shrill, *a.*, & *v.i. & t.* 1. Piercing & high-pitched in sound; (fig.) importunate, insisting on being heard esp. in complaint or accusation; hence shril'LY² (-l-l) *adv.*, ~'NESS *n.* 2. *vb.* (poet. or rhet.). (Of cry etc.) sound ~y; (of person etc.) utter, send *out*, (song, complaint, etc.) ~y. [f. 14th c.; cf. Sc. *skirl*, LG *schrell*]

shrimp, *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. Kinds of long-tailed ten-footed saltwater crustacean of which the common British species is about two inches long of translucent greenish-grey while alive & brown when cooked; diminutive person. 2. *v.i.* Go catching ~s; hence ~ER¹ *n.* [f. 14th c.; cf. MHG *schrimpen* shrink up]

shrine, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Casket, esp. one holding sacred relics; tomb usu. sculptured or highly ornamented of saint etc.; altar or chapel of special associations; place

hallowed by some memory. 2. *v.t.* (poet.). Enshrine. [OE *scria* f. L *scrinium* chest for writing-materials (*scribere* write)]

shrink, *v.i. & t.* (*shrank*; *shrunk* & rarely in *vbl.* commonly in *adj.*, use *shrunk*), & *n.* 1. Become of less dimensions, grow smaller, whence ~AGE³ *n.*; recoil, retire from observation, (~ *into oneself*, become reserved), flinch from, whence ~'ingly² *adv.*; be averse from doing; make smaller (esp. in *pass.*; *his face has a shrunk look*), make ~ (flannel etc., in order that it may not do so later; ~ *wheel-tire* etc. on, slip it on while expanded with heat & let it tighten as it cools), whence ~'ABLE *a.* 2. *n.* (rare). ~ing (*how much must we allow for the ~?*). [OE *serincan*, cf. MDu. *schrinken*]

shrive, *v.t.* (arch.; *shrove, shriven*). Hear confession of, assign penance to, & absolve; (of penitent) submit oneself to priest for this purpose. [OE *scrifan* prob. f. L *scribere* write]

shriv'el, *v.i. & t.* (-ll-). Contract or wither (l. & t.) into wrinkled, folded, rolled-up, contorted, or dried-up state. [cf. Sw. dial. *skryvla*]

shroff, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Banker or money-changer in the East; (Far East) native export employed to detect base coin. 2. *v.t.* Examine (coin). [corrupted f. Arab. & Pers. *carraf*]

shroud, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Winding-sheet, garment for the dead, whence ~LESS *a.*; concealing agency (*wrapped in a ~ of mystery*); (pl.) set of ropes forming part of standing rigging & supporting mast or topmast. 2. *v.t.* Clothe (corpse) for burial; cover & conceal or disguise. [OE *scrod* garment, cogn. w. **SERED**]

Shrove Tues'day (tūz'di), *n.* Day before Ash Wednesday, on which & the preceding days or *Shrovetide* it was customary to be shaven. [*shrove* formed f. **SHRIVE** (cf. **ABODE**), = **SERIFT**]

shrub, *n.* Woody plant of less size than tree & usu. divided into separate stems from near the ground. Hence ~b'y² *a.*, ~b'ERY³ *n.* [OE *scrybb*, cf. Norw. *skrubba* dwarf cornel]

shrub, *n.* Cordial made of fruit-juice & spirit (*usu. rum*~). [f. Arab. *sharāb*; cogn. w. **SHERBET**, **SYRUP**]

shrug, *v.t. & i.* (-gg-), & *n.* 1. Slightly & momentarily raise (shoulders), raise shoulders, to express indifference, helplessness, contempt, vexation, etc. 2. *n.* This motion (*of the shoulders, or abs.*). [f. 1400, etym. dub.]

shrunk(en). See **SERINK**.

shuck, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Husk, pod. 2. *v.t.* Remove ~s of, shell. [f]

shudd'er, *v.i.*, & *n.* (Experience) sudden shivering due to fear, horror, repugnance, or cold; feel strong repugnance etc. (*f ~ to think what might happen*). Hence ~'ing-ly² *adv.* [ME *shodre*, cf. G *schauern*]

shūffle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Move (t. & l.) with scraping or sliding or dragging or difficult motion (~s *along rheumatically*; ~s *his or with his feet*; ~ *cards*, slide them over one another so as to change their relative positions; so ~ things of any sort, intermingle, confuse; ~ *the cards*, fig., change the parts, try new policy, etc.); slip (clothes, burden) off or on (~ *off responsibility upon others*; ~d *on his clothes*); keep shifting one's position lit. or fig., fidget, vacillate, prevaricate, whence **shūff'ler** n.; ~board, = **SHOVELBOARD**; hence **shūff'lingly** adv. 2. n. Shuffling movement; shuffling of cards, general change of relative positions; piece of equivocation or sharp practice; quick scraping movement of feet in dancing (*double* ~, executed twice with one & then the other foot). [perh. f. L *G schūffeln*, cogn. W. *SCUFFLE*]

shūn, v.t. (-nn-). Avoid, keep clear of, eschew. Hence ~LESS a. (poet.). [OE *scunian*, etym. dub.]

'shun!, abbr. of *attention!* as word of command.

shūnt, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Divert (train, electric current, etc.), || (of train etc.) diverge, on to a side track, esp. to clear line for more important traffic, whence ~ER n.; postpone or stifle discussion of (subject), lay aside (project), leave (person) inactive. 2. n. Turning or being turned on to side track; (Electr.) conductor joining two points of circuit, over which more or less of current may be diverted. [perh. f. **SHUN**]

shūt, v.t. & i. (*shut*). 1. Move (door, sash, lid, lips, etc.) into position to stop an aperture (~ *the door upon*, refuse to consider, make impossible). 2. ~ door etc. of (room, window, box, eye, mouth, etc.); ~ *your eyes*; ~ one's *eyes* or by extension *ears to*, pretend not or refuse to see or hear. 3. Become or admit of being closed, swing or fall or contract into closed position, (*the door* ~ *with a bang*; *lid* ~s *automatically*; *pimpernels* ~ *in rainy weather*). 4. Keep (person, sound, etc.) out or in by ~ting door etc., send (person) into or out of room etc. & fasten door etc. against him, bar (person) out from hope etc. 5. Be ~ of person (sl.), be rid of. 6. Catch or pinch (finger, dress, etc.) by ~ting something on it (~ *his finger into the door-hinge*). 7. Bring parts of together (~ *his teeth, a knife, etc.*). 8. ~ down, push or pull (window-sash etc.) down into closed position, (of factory etc.) cease working; ~ in, (of hills, houses, sea, etc.) encircle, prevent free prospect or egress from or access to; ~ off, check flow of (water, gas, etc.) by ~ting valve, separate from society etc.; ~ out, exclude (landscape etc.) from view, prevent (possibility etc.); ~out bid (Bridge), pre-emptive bid; ~ to adv., close (door etc., or instr. of

door etc.) tight; ~ up, close all doors & windows of or bolt & bar (house); ~ up shop, cease business for the day or permanently, close (box etc.) securely or decisively or permanently, imprison (person), put (thing) away in box etc., desist (colloq.; esp. ~ up imperat.), reduce to silence by rebuke or refutation. [OE *scytlan* cogn. W. *SHOOT* (t. shooting of bolt)]

shūt'ter, n., & v.t. In vbl senses of prec.; esp.: one of a set of wooden panels or iron plates, hinged, sliding, folding, or detachable, placed inside or outside glass of window to keep out light or burglars (*put up the* ~s, cease business for the day or permanently); structure of jointed laths or metal slats on rollers serving same purposes; blind of swell-box in organ for regulating loudness; piece that opens & closes lens of photographic camera; hence ~LESS a.; (v.t.) provide with ~s, put up ~s of. [-ER¹]

shūt'tle, n. Weaving-implement shaped like cigar with two pointed ends by which weft-thread is carried or shot across between threads of warp; carrier of lower thread in lock-stitch sewing-machine; ~ *armature* (Electr.), armature with a single coil wound on an elongated iron bobbin; ~cock, cork stuck with feathers & struck to & fro in **BATTLEDORE** & ~ [-cock prob. f. flying motion]; ~ *train* (running a short distance to and fro, usu. on branch-line), so ~ *service*. [OE *scytel* bolt, cogn. W. *SHOOT*, *SHUT*, see -LE(1)]

shy¹, a. (~er, ~est, rarely *shi*). (Of beasts, birds, fish, etc.) easily startled, timid, avoiding observation; bashful, coy, uneasy in company; avoiding company of person, chary of doing, (**FIGHT** ~ *af*); elusive, hard to find, catch, interpret, etc.; (sl.) short (of), in the position of having lost (*I'm* ~ *three quid*); -*shy*, (in comb.) indicating fear of or distaste for (first element of comb.), as in **GUN**~, **WORK**~. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *scōh*; cf. Du. *schuw*]

shy², v.i., & n. Start suddenly aside (at object or noise, or fig. at proposal etc.) in alarm (usu. of horse, or fig. of person). Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. prec.]

shy³, v.t. & i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Fling, throw, (stone etc., or abs.). 2. n. Act of ~ing (*have a* ~ at, try to hit with missile, jeer at, make an attempt to get). [f]

Shyl'ock, n. Hard-hearted money-lender. [character in *Merchant of Venice*]

'shy's'ter, n. (sl.). Person without professional honour, esp. tricky lawyer. [f]

si (sē), n. (mus.). Seventh note of octave. [added perh. c. 1600 to names of hexachord; see **GAMUT**; perh. f. initials of *Sanc'te Johannes* in sapphics given under **gamut**]

si'amāng (or sē-), n. Kind of gibbon from Sumatra & Malay peninsula. [Malay]

Siamese' (-s), a. & n. (pl. same). (Native, language) of Siam; ~ *twins*, two ~ (d. 1874) joined by cartilaginous band from one's right to other's left side, (fig.) inseparable friends etc.; ~ *cat*, cream-coloured short-haired breed with brown or blue points. [-ESE]

sib, a. (arch. & Sc.). Related, akin, (to). [OE *sib(b)*, cf. MDu. *sib(he)*, OHG *sippi*]

Siber'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Siberia (~ *dog*, of breed much used for sledging). [-AN]

sib'ilant, a. & n. 1. Hissing, sounded with a hiss (esp. of letter or set of letters, as s, sh); hence ~ANCE, ~ANCY, nn. 2. n. ~ant letter(s). [f. L *sibilare* hiss (*sibilus* a hissing), -ANT]

sib'ilâte, v.t. & i. Pronounce with hissing sound. Hence ~ATION n. [as prec., -ATE¹]

sib'yl, n. One of the women who in ancient times acted at various places (Cumæan, Erythraean, etc., ~) as mouth-piece of some god, & to whom many collections of oracles & prophecies were attributed, pagan prophetess; old fortune-teller, sorceress, or hag. [f. L f. Gk *Sibylla*]

sib'ylline, a. Issuing from an ancient sibyl, oracular, mysteriously prophetic; the ~ *books*, collection of oracles belonging to ancient-Roman State & often consulted by magistrates for guidance, (fig., with ref. to story of their acquisition) thing that one refuses & is afterwards glad to get on worse terms. [f. L *Sibyllinus* (prec., -INE¹)]

sic, Latin adv. = so, appended in brackets after a word or expression in a quoted passage as guarantee that it is quoted exactly, though its incorrectness or absurdity would suggest that it was not. Also in the phrr. ~ *vot's* ~ *sub'ed* (jōb-; such is my will & command) used as n. = arbitrary order; ~ *vōs nōn vōb'is* (so ye not for yourselves) used w. ref. to work of which the credit etc. falls to another than the doer.

Sicā'nian, n. & a. 1. Aboriginal inhabitant of Sicily (cf. *Sicel*, *Siceliot*, *Sicilian*). 2. adj. Of the ~s. [f. L *Sicanus* (L f. Gk *Sikanoi* pl.), -AN]

sicc'ative, a. & n. (Substance etc.) of drying properties, esp. one mixed with oil-paint to dry it. [f. LL *siccatus* (DESICATE, -ATIVE)]

sice', n. The six on dice. [f. OF *sis six*]
sice', **syce**, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Groom. [f. Hind. f. Arab. *sā'is*]

Sic'el, **Sik'el**, **Sicā'lian**, nn. & a. 1. Member of race that immigrated into Sicily perh. c. 11th c. B.C., native as opposed to Greek ancient Sicilian (cf. *fol.*). 2. adj. Of the ~s. [f. Gk *Sikeloi* pl., & L *Siculi* pl., -AN]

Sicā'foc, **Sik-**, n. & a. 1. Ancient-Greek Sicilian. 2. adj. Of the ~s. [f. Gk *Sikāfok* (*Sikelis* Sicily, -oz¹)]

Sicil'ian, a. & n. 1. Of Sicily or its inhabitants (~ *Vespers*, massacre of French residents by natives in 1282, with vesper bell as signal). 2. n. Native of Sicily. [f. L *Sicilia* Sicily + -AN]

sick', a. 1. Ill, incapacitated by illness, feeling effects of some disease, (a ~ *man*; the S~ *Man*, Turkish Empire (hist.); ~ of a fever; the ~, those who are ill; || *be, feel, make*, ~ in mod. use, vomit, be disposed or cause to vomit; *turn* ~, feel as if about to vomit). 2. Disordered, perturbed, suffering effects of, disgusted, pining for, (am ~ at heart; ~ of love, love~; *makes me* ~ to think of it; *is awfully* ~ at being beaten; ~ for a sight of home). 3. Surfeited & tired of (~ of flattery, rain, waiting). 4. (Of ship) needing repair (esp. of specified kind, as *nail*~, *paint*~). 5. ~-BAY¹; ~-bed, invalid's bed, invalid state; ~-benefit, allowance made to person absent from work through illness; ~-call, military summons on bugle etc. for ~ men to attend; ~-flag, yellow, indicating presence of disease at quarantine station or on ship; ~-headache, due to biliousness; ~-leave, leave of absence granted for reason of health; ~-list, of the ~ esp. in regiment, ship, etc. (on the ~-list, laid up); ~-room, occupied by ~ person, or kept ready for the ~. Hence ~-ISA¹(2) a. [OE *sēc*, cf. Du. *siek*, G *siech*]

sick', v.t. Set upon (usu. in imperat. ~ *him!* etc. urging dog to worry rat etc.). [var. of SEEK]

sick'en, v.i. & t. Begin to be ill, show symptoms of illness (*child* is ~ing for something); feel nausea or disgust at, to see, etc.; affect with inclination to vomit, loathing, or disgust (a ~ing sight) or with weariness or despair of (was ~ed of trying to make peace), whence ~ER¹(2) n., ~ingly¹ adv. [-EN¹]

sic'kle, n. Reaping-hook, short-handled semicircular-bladed implement now chiefly used for lopping & trimming, formerly for cutting corn; the constellation Leo; ~-bill, kinds of bird with ~-shaped bill; ~-feather, one of long middle feathers of cock's tail; ~-wort, the plant Heal-all. [OE *sicol*, cf. Du. *sikkel*, G *sichel*, perh. f. L *secula* (seare cut)]

sick'ly, a., & v.t. 1. Apt to be ill, chronically ailing, of weak health; suggesting sickness, as of sick person, languid, faint, pale, (~y look, ~smile, complexion); causing ill health, inducing or connected with nausea, (~y climate, smell, taste); mawkish, weakly sentimental. 2. v.t. Cover over or o'er with a ~y hue (w. ref. to Hamlet III. i. 85). Hence ~iness n. [-LY¹]

sick'ness, n. 1. Being ill, disease. 2. A disease (FALL'ing ~; sleeping ~, fatal African disease, *morbus dormitio*, marked by somnolence & nerve-paralysis, caused by certain trypanosomes intro-

duced by kinds of tsetse; *sleepy* ~, epidemic encephalitis or *encephalitis lethargica*, acute inflammation of the brain, not yet traced to a parasitic cause, but distinct from sleeping ~, though lethargy is a mark of both). 3. Vomiting or inclination to vomit. [-NESS]

Sicilian. See SICEL.

Sic'ulo-, comb. form of *L. Siculi* Sicilians, as ~-Arabian, Arabian as modified in Sicily. [-o-]

side¹, *n.* 1. One of the flat(tish) surfaces bounding an object (*cube has six ~s*), esp. a more or less vertical outer or inner surface (~ of *house, cave, mountain*, etc.; so perh. COUNTRY ~); such surface as distinguished from top & bottom, or front & back, or ends (*four, or two, ~s of box; two ~s of house*). 2. Either surface of thing regarded as having only two (*two ~s of sheet of paper, board*, etc.; *sent him six ~s of argument*, pages of notepaper so filled; *the INSIDE & OUTSIDE of a bowl; right, wrong, ~ of cloth* etc., surface, meant, not meant, to be visible; BACK ~side; SHADY, SEAMY, SILVER¹, ~). 3. (Math.) bounding line of superficial figure (*opposite ~s of a parallelogram*). 4. Part of person or animal that is on his or its right or left, esp. that of it which extends from armpit to hip or from foreleg to hindleg (~ of *mutton, bacon*, etc., this part of carcass; BLIND¹ ~; ~ *by* ~, standing close together, esp. for mutual support; *shake one's ~s*, laugh heartily; ~-*splitting*, causing violent laughter, amusing). 5. Part of object turned in same direction as observer's right or left & not directly towards or away from him, or turned in specified direction (*right, left, ~; debit, credit, ~*, in account book; *epistle, gospel, ~*, south, north, end of altar; DECANI, CANTORIS, ~; *the north, landward, ~*). 6. Part or region near margin and remote from centre or axis of thing, subordinate or less essential or more or less detached part, (~ of *room, road, table*, etc.); (attrib.) subordinate ~ *issue*, point that distracts attention; ~ *line*, work etc. carried on apart from one's main work, see also sense 14); *on the ~*, as a ~ *line*, in addition to one's regular work. 7. Region external but contiguous to, specified direction with relation to, person or thing (*on one ~, aside; look on all ~s; came from all ~s or every ~; standing at my ~; on the north ~ of*). 8. Partial aspect of thing, aspect differing from or opposed to other aspects (*study all ~s of the question; has many ~s to his character; the ~ of the moon visible to us*); *on the (so-and-so) ~*, rather (so-and-so), as *prices were on the high ~*. 9. (Cause represented by, position in company with) one of two sets of opponents in war, politics, games, etc. (*the Lord is on my ~; there is much to be said, there are faults, on both ~s; take ~s, decide to*

espouse one or other cause; *join the winning ~*; ON¹, OFF, ~; *Cambridge has a strong ~*, team for cricket, football, etc.). 10. Position nearer or farther than, right or left of, dividing line (*on this ~ of, or on this ~, the Alps; on this ~ the grave, in life; on the right, wrong, ~ of forty, below, above, 40 years of age; on the wrong ~ of the door, shut out; on the wrong ~ of the BLANKET¹*). 11. Line of descent through father or mother (*well descended on the mother's or maternal ~*; DISTAFF or spindle, SPEAR, ~). 12. || (Billiards) spinning motion given to ball by striking it on ~. 13. || (sl.). Assumption of superiority, swagger, (*puls on, has too much, ~*), whence *sid'y² a*. 14. ~-arms, swords or bayonets; ~-bet, bet between opponents, freq. in card-games; ~-board, table or flat-topped chest at ~ of dining-room for supporting and containing dishes, decanters, etc.; ~-bone, (in carving fowls) either small forked bone under wing; ~-car, = JAUNTING-car, (also) car for passenger(s) attachable to ~ of (motor-)cycle; ~-chapel, in aisle or at ~ of church; ~-dish, extra dish often of elaborate kind at dinner etc.; ~-drum, small double-headed drum in military band hung at drummer's ~; ~-light, light from ~, (fig.) incidental illustration etc., (Naut.) red port or green starboard light on ship under way; ~-lines, (space immediately outside) lines bounding football-pitch, tennis-court, etc., at the ~s, see also sense 6; ~-note, marginal note; ~-saddle, for rider, usu. woman, with both feet on same ~ of horse; ~-seat in vehicle etc., in which occupant has back against ~ of vehicle; ~-show, minor show attached to principal one; ~-skip, skid v. & n. (Aeron.) move (vb) or motion broadside on instead of forward, also shoot of tree & (fig.) illegitimate child, also (Theatr.) division at ~ of stage for working scenery; ~-s-man, deputy churchwarden; ~-step, (n.) step taken sideways, step for getting in & out of carriage etc., (v.t.) avoid by stepping sideways (esp. in football), (fig.) evade; ~-stroke, stroke towards or from a ~, incidental action, kinds of swimming action opp. breast-stroke; ~-track, sliding, (v.t.) turn into sliding, stunt, postpone treatment or consideration of, (chiefly U.S.); ~-view, view obtained sideways, profile; ~-walk, path at ~ of road for foot-passengers (chiefly U.S.); ~-wind, wind from a ~, indirect agency or influence. Hence (-)sid'nd¹ a., (-)sid'edtr¹ adv., (-)sid'edtr² n., ~-LESS (-dl-) a. [OE *side*, cf. Du. *zijde*, G *seite*, & prob. OE *sid* spacious]

side², *v.i.* Take part, be on same side, with disputant etc. [f. prec.]

side/long (-dl-), *adv.* & *a.* Inclining to one side, oblique(ly), (move ~; a ~-glance) [-ness]

sider'cal, a. Of the constellations or the fixed stars (~ day, time between successive meridional transits of star, esp. of first point in Aries, about 4' shorter than solar day; ~ year, time in which earth makes one complete revolution round sun, longer than tropical year by difference due to precession; ~ time, measured by apparent diurnal motion of stars). [f. L *sidercus* (*sidus* -eris star), -AL]

siderōg'raphy, n. A process of engraving on steel. [f. Gk *sideros* iron, -GRAPHY]

side'ward(s) (-dw-), adv. & a. Lateral(ly), to or from a side, (*moved* ~; ~ *motion*). [-WARD(s)]

side'ways (-dwāz), adv. & a. = prec. [-WAYS]

si'di (sē-), n. An African; negro (chiefly in comb. -boy). [Urdu *sidi*, f. Arab. (see SEID); orig. title of honour given in India to African Moslems]

sid'ing, n. Short track by side of railway line & opening into it at one end or both for shunting purposes. [-ING¹]

si'die, v.i. Walk obliquely, esp. in timid or cringing manner (often *along*, *up*). [back formation f. obs. *sideling* (now *SIDELONG*)]

Sidōn'ian, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Sidon. [f. L f. Gk *Sidonios* (*Sidōn*), -AN]

siege, n., & v.t. 1. Operations of encamped attacking force to take or compel surrender of fortified place, period during which these last, besieging or being besieged, (often fig.; *push the* ~, continue it vigorously; *raise the* ~ of, abandon attempt to take; *lay* ~ to, begin besieging; ~ *lasted 100 days*; *stood a long* ~, before or without surrendering; persistent attempt to force or persuade reluctant person to do something; ~-*basket*, gabion; ~-*gun*, used in ~s, too heavy for field use; ~-*train*, artillery & other appliances for besieging; ~-*works*, trenches, shelters, etc., of besiegers. 2. v.t. (arch.). Besiege. [OF, orig. = seat, ult. f. L *sedes*]

Sieg'fried line, n. German fortified line along Franco-German border. [person]

Sienn(ə)se' (-z), a. & n. (pl. same). (Inhabitant) of Sienna (~ *school*, of 13th-14th-c. painters). [-ESE]

sienn'a, n. Ochrous earth used raw or burnt as pigment of brownish-yellow (*raw* ~) or reddish-brown (*burnt* ~) colour. [f. It. (*terra di*) *Sienna* (earth of Sienna)]

sie's'ra, n. Long jagged mountain-chain; Spanish mackerel. [Sp., f. L *serra* saw]

sie's'ta, n. Midday nap or rest in hot countries. [Sp., f. L *sexta* (hora) sixth hour]

sieve (siv), n., & v.t. 1. Utensil for separating finer from coarser particles by letting finer pass when shaken through holes too small for coarser, usu. a shallow wooden cylinder with cross wires or hairs stretched across bottom; coarsely plaited basket often used as measure; person

who cannot keep secrets. 2. v.t. Put through, sift with, ~. [OE *sife*, cf. Du. *seef*, G *sieb*]

siffleur ('sēfl-), n. (fem. -euse, pr. -frix). Whistling artiste. [F]

sift, v.t. & i. Separate into finer & coarser parts with sieve, separate (finer parts) from material or its coarser parts or out, sprinkle (sugar etc.) from perforated spoon etc.; closely examine details of (evidence, facts, etc.) with regard to credibility or authenticity or relevance, analyse character of; (of snow, light, etc.) fall as from sieve. Hence (~) ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [OE *sifan* (*sife* SIEVE)]

sigh (si), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Draw audible breath expressive of sadness, weariness, aspiration, relief from tension, cessation of effort, etc.; yearn for (person or thing desired or lost); utter or express with ~s (usu. out); (of wind etc.) make sound like ~ing; hence ~ingly² (si'-i) adv. 2. n. Act of, sound made in, ~ing (a ~ of relief). [ME *sihen* prob. f. OE *sican*]

sight¹ (sit), n. 1. Faculty of vision (*long*, *short* or *near*, ~, requiring objects to be unusually far, near, for clear definition; *short* ~, fig., lack of discernment or foresight; *has good*, *bad*, ~; *know by* ~, be familiar with appearance only; *loss* of ~, becoming blind; *second* ~, power of internal vision by which future or distant occurrences are presented, whence (-) ~ER² (sit-) a., (-) ~EDLY² adv., (-) ~EDNESS n. 2. Seeing or being seen, way of looking at or considering thing, (*catch*, *lose*, ~ of, begin, cease, to see; *have lost* ~ of Jones, no longer know his movements etc.; *get a* ~ of, manage to see; *take a* ~ (of, at), sl., cock a snook; *at*, *on*, ~, as soon as person or thing has been seen; *plays music at* ~, without preliminary study or practice of piece; ~-*singing*, reading vocal music at ~; *payable at* ~, of draft etc.; *at first* ~, prima facie; *the* ~ of her distress *unmanned him*; *she found favour in his* ~; *do what is right in one's own* ~). 3. Range or unobstructed space within which person etc. can see or object be seen (is in, out of, ~, visible, not visible; HEAVE¹ in ~; *the millennium is in* ~, clearly near at hand; *put out of* ~, hide, ignore; *came in* ~ of the fort, so as to see it or be seen from it; *out of* ~ out of mind, we forget the absent; *out of my* ~, rhetorical order to depart). 4. Thing seen, visible, or worth seeing, display, show, spectacle, (*a bad* ~ awaited us; *a* ~ for sore eyes, person or thing one is glad to see, esp. welcome visitor; *went to see the* ~s, noteworthy features of town etc., whence ~SEER¹, ~SEER², nn., *the staffed* were a ~ to see or a ~; *his face is a perfect* ~, disfigured with wounds etc.; *make a* ~ of oneself, dress in bizarre fashion etc.). 5. (colloq.). Great quantity (will cost a

~ of money; is a long ~ better). 6. (Kinds of device for assisting) precise aim with gun or observation with optical instrument (*forgot to put up the leaf of his back ~*, in rifle-shooting; *took a careful ~ before firing*; the ~s of a ~ with, quadrant or compass). 7. ~worthy, worth seeing. [OE *gesith* (Y-, SEE-, TH-), cf. G *sicht*]

sight¹ (sit), v.t. Get sight of, esp. by coming near (~ *land, game*); take observation of (star etc.) with instrument; provide (gun, quadrant, etc.) with sights; adjust sights of (~ *ing shot*, experimental one to guide rifleman etc. in this); aim (gun etc.) with sights. [f. prec.]

sight¹less (sit-), a. Blind; (poet.) invisible. [-LESS]

sight¹ly (sit-), a. Not unsightly. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

sig¹illate, a. (Of pottery) with impressed patterns; (Bot.) having seal-like marks. [f. LL *sigillatus* (*sigillum* seal dlm. of SIGNUM, -ATE²)]

sig¹ma, n. Greek letter (Σ or C, s or c) corresponding to s. [Gk, perh. f. *sizō* hiss, -M]

sig¹mate¹, a. Sigma-shaped; S-shaped. [-ATE²]

sig¹māte², v.t. Add sigma or s to. Hence ~ATION n. [-ATE³]

sigmātic, a. Formed with sigma (esp. ~ *aorist*). [SIGMA -atos, -IC]

sig¹moid, a. & n. 1. (Chiefly anat.) curved like the uncial sigma (C), or (now usu.) like S. 2. n. Reversed or inverted curve. [-OID]

sign¹ (sīn), n. 1. Mark traced on surface etc. (esp. the ~ of the cross, made by Christian priests in blessing or laymen in reverence with finger on forehead or breast; ~ *manual*, signature written with person's own hand). 2. Written mark conventionally used for word or phrase, symbol, thing used as representation of something, (positive or plus ~, +; negative or minus ~, -; words are the ~s of ideas; a sacrament is an outward & visible ~ of an inward & spiritual grace). 3. (Thing serving as) presumptive evidence or indication or suggestion or symptom of or that, distinctive mark, token, guarantee, password, miracle evidencing supernatural power, portent, (violence is a ~ of weakness or that one is weak; shows all the ~s of decay; gave earth & water in ~ of submission; by this ~ ye shall know them; did ~s & wonders; ~ & counter~, secret sentences etc. by which confederates recognize each other; ~s of the times, things showing the tendency of affairs); (Path.) objective evidence or indication of disease (often with defining word, as *Babinski's*, *Oppenheim's*, etc.). 4. (Often ~board) fanciful device usu. painted on a board displayed formerly by traders of any sort & still by many inns & some barbers etc. as advertisement of their

business (at the ~ of the *White Hart* etc., arch., formerly used as address). 5. Natural or conventional motion or gesture used instead of words to convey information & esp. order or request (*gave him a ~ to withdraw*; *deaf & dumb ~s*, those used in finger-talk; *make no ~*, seem unconscious, not protest, etc.). 6. Any of twelve divisions of ZODIAC named from constellations formerly situated in them. 7. ~-painter, -writer, of ~boards, shop-front inscriptions, etc.; ~post, at cross-roads etc. with names of places on each road. [f. F *signe* f. L *signum*]

sign² (sīn), v.t. & i. 1. Mark with sign (esp. ~ *infant* etc. with the sign of the cross in baptism). 2. Acknowledge or guarantee (letter, deed, picture, book, article, petition, etc., or abs.) as one's own production or as having one's authority or consent by affixing or having affixed one's name or initials or recognized mark (the will had never been ~ed; a ~ed masterpiece of Turner's; ~ed as usual with a dicky-bird; does not ~ his contributions to the press; nothing shall induce me to ~), whence ~ABLE (sīn-) a. 3. Write (one's name) as signature; convey (right, property, etc.) away by ~ing deed etc.; take, acknowledge being taken, on for some employment to which employee binds himself by signature. 4. Communicate by gesture (~ *assent*), give order or make request by gesture to person to do (~ed to me to come). [f. L *signare* (signum, see prec.)]

sign¹al¹, a. Remarkably good or bad, conspicuous, noteworthy, exemplary, condign, (~ *victory, defeat, reward, punishment, virtue, example*). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *signum* (SIGN¹, -AL)]

sign¹al², n., & v.t. & i. (-il-). 1. Preconcerted or intelligible sign conveying information or direction esp. to person(s) at a distance, message made up of such signs, (the ~ was to be the dropping of a handkerchief; ~s are made by day with flags & by night with lights; gave the ~ for advance; ROG² ~; ~ of distress, appeal for help, esp. from ship made by firing guns; storm ~, cone etc. hoisted at meteorological station; code of ~s, ~book, body of ~s arranged for sending complicated messages esp. in naval & mil. use); immediate occasion for some general movement (the earthquake was the ~ for an outbreak of the primitive instincts); || ROYAL Corps of S ~s; ~box, hut on railway with ~ling-apparatus; ~man, ~ler; ~ strength, strength of reception of wireless ~s (varying with the time of day etc.). 2. vb. Make ~(s), make ~(s) to, transmit (order, information) by ~, announce (event, that) by ~, direct (person to do) by ~; hence ~IAL² a. [F, f. mod. L *signale* (orig. neut. adj. as prec.)] ~, **sign¹alise**, v.t. Make noteworthy or

remarkable, lend distinction or lustre to, (*his accession was d by an amnesty*). [SIGNAL¹, -ISM]

sig'nator'y, a. & n. (Party, esp. State) that has signed an agreement esp. a treaty (*the ~ies or ~y powers to the treaty of Berlin*). [f. L *signatorius* of sealing (*signare* mark, -TORX)]

sig'nature, n. 1. (arch.). Significant appearance or mark (*has the ~ of passion, of early death, in his face; herb's yellow flowers are a ~ indicating that it will cure jaundice*). 2. Person's name or initials or mark used in sign'ing. 3. Letter or figure placed by printer at foot of first page of each sheet of book as guide in making up for binding, such sheet after folding. 4. (mus.). Key ~, clef with sharps or flats at beginning of each staff; time ~, fraction placed at beginning of composition, numerator giving number of beats in each bar and denominator duration of each. 5. ~ tune, special tune used in broadcasting to announce a particular turn etc. [F, f. med. L *signatura* (prec., -URE)]

sig'net, n. Private seal for use instead of or with signature as authentication (*the ~, royal seal formerly used for special purposes; || WRITER to the ~*); ~ring, finger-ring with seal set in it. [OF (SIGN¹, -ET¹)]

significance, n. Being significant, expressiveness, (*there is no ~ in his eyes; with a look of deep ~*); covert or real import, what is meant to be or may be inferred, (*those were the words, but what is their ~?*); importance, noteworthy, (*what he thinks about it is of no ~*). [OF, f. L *significatia* (SIGNIFY, -ANON)]

significant, a. Having a meaning (-kin is a ~ termination); expressive, suggestive, with pregnant or secret sense, inviting attention esp. from part only of company; noteworthy, of considerable amount or effect or importance, not insignificant or negligible, (usu. in negative contexts, as *the only ~ event was ~*). Hence ~LY adv. [as SIGNIFY, -ANT]

significa'tion, n. Act of signifying (rare); exact meaning or sense (usu. of something, esp. of a word or phrase). [OF, f. L *significationem* (SIGNIFY, -ATION)]

significative, a. Offering signs or presumptive evidence of. [OF (-if, -ive), see foll., -ATIVE]

sig'nify, v.t. & i. Be a sign or indication or preage of (*a long upper lip ~ies obstinacy; a halo ~ies rain*); mean, have as meaning, (*D.D. ~ies doctor of divinity*); communicate, make known, (*he ~led his reluctance; that he could not consent*); be of importance, matter, (esp. in negative contexts, as *it does not ~y*). [f. F *signifier* & L *significare* (SIGN¹, -FY)]

Signior. See **GIARD**.

Signor, **Signora**, **Signorina**, (sén'yô;

sényôf'a, sényorén'a), nn. (pl. -ri pr. -rê, -re pr. -râ, -ne pr. -nâ). Titles used of or to Italians corresponding to Sir & Mr, Madam & Mrs, young lady & Miss. [It.] **Sikh** (sêk, sîk), n. Member of Hindu community founded as monotheistic sect c. 1500 in Punjab & after achieving independence annexed 1849 to British India. Hence ~ISM n., the (religious) tenets of the ~s. [Hind., = disciple]

sil'age, n., & v.t. 1. = ENSILAGE. 2. v.t. Put into silo. [SILO, -AGE]

sil'ence, n., & v.t. 1. Abstinence speech or noise, being silent, taciturnity, non-betrayal of secret etc., fact of not mentioning a thing, (*the ~ of Scripture on the subject; ~ gives consent; ~ is golden; keep, break, ~, abstain from speaking, speak; put to ~, esp. refute in argument*); absence of sound, stillness, (*in ~, without speech or other sound*); oblivion, state of not being mentioned, (*have passed into ~*); S~I (order to cease from speech or noise). 2. v.t. Make silent by force, superior argument, etc. (*~d the enemy's batteries, the best debaters in the House, the voice of conscience*). Hence **sil'encer** n., kinds of device for rendering (comparatively) noiseless the escape of gas from gun, oil-engine, etc. [vb f. n., OF, f. L *silentium* (*silere* be silent)]

sil'ent, a. Not speaking, not uttering or making or accompanied by any sound, (~ letter, one written but not pronounced, e.g. *b* in *doubt*; ~ film, without sound accompaniment; ~ partner, with no voice in management of business; *the ~ system* in prisons, by which prisoners are never allowed to speak); taciturn, speaking little; saying nothing on some subject (*history is ~ upon it*). Hence ~LY adv. [f. L *silere* be silent, -ENT]

Silén'us, n. Rollicking drunken bloated old man. [L, f. Gk *Seilénos* name of one of Bacchus's attendants]

silé'sia (-sha), n. Kinds of thin cloth used for blinds & dress-linings. [orig. made in Sillesia]

silhouette' (-lôb-), n., & v.t. 1. Portrait of person in profile showing outline only, all inside the outline being usu. black on white ground or cut out in paper; appearance of person or object as seen against light so that outline only is distinguishable (*in ~, so seen or placed*). 2. v.t. Represent or (usu. pass.) exhibit in ~. [named after French minister of finance 1759 w. ref. to his parsimony]

sil'ic'a, n. Silicon dioxide, occurring as quartz & as principal constituent of sandstone & other rocks (~ô's n., disease caused by inhalation of quartz dust, so ~ô'IO a. & n.). Hence **silil'ic**, ~**if'mous**, **sil'h'eous** or **sil'h'eous** (-shus), a., ~**ATN'**(s) n., ~**I**, ~**O**, comb. forms. [f. L *silicis* -*itis* flint]

sil'icated, a. Coated, mixed, combined,

or impregnated, with silica. [prec., -ATE¹, -ED¹]

sil'icify, v.t. & i. Impregnate with silica, turn (t. & i.) into silica, petrify. Hence ~IFICATION n. [SILICA, -FY]

sil'icon, n. Non-metallic element of very common occurrence in the compound SILICA. [as SILICA]

sil'iqua (pl. -ae), **silique'** (-ék), n. Pod of plants of mustard family. Hence sil'iquous¹, sil'iquous, (-kw-), aa. [L]

silk, n. 1. Fine soft thread produced in making cocoon by ~worm or larva of kinds of moth feeding esp. on mulberry leaves (*spun* ~, see SPIN; *thrown* ~, ORGANIZINE); similar thread spun by some spiders etc. or (*artificial* ~, now usu. rayon) thread or yarn made from cellulose. 2. Cloth woven of ~ (|| *take* ~, become K.C. or Q.C. & exchange stuff for ~ gown); (pl.) kinds, or garments made, of such cloth. 3. || (collog.). K.C. or Q.C. 4. Peculiar lustre seen in some sapphires & rubies. 5. (attrib., now usu. preferred to *silken*). Made of ~ (~ stockings etc.; *make a ~ purse out of a sow's ear*, get better results from a person than his qualities admit of). 6. || ~fowl, breed with silky plumage; ~gland, secreting the substance produced as ~; ~reel, ~winder, for unwinding ~ from cocoon & winding it as thread. [OE *seol* f. L *sericum* neut. adj. (L f. Gk *Sêres* prob. the Chinese, -IG)]

sil'ken, a. Made of silk (arch., poet.); clad in silk; soft, lustrous, as silk; (of manner etc.) suave, insinuating. [-EN¹]

sil'kiy, a. Like silk in smoothness, softness, fineness, or lustre (~y manner etc., suave). Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

sill, n. Shelf or slab of stone or wood at foot of door or esp. window; horizontal timber at bottom of dock or lock entrance, against which the gates close. [OE *syll*(e), cf. ON *syll*, *svill*, Da. *syld*, G *schwelle*]

sill'abûb, n. Dish made of cream or milk mixed with wine etc. into soft curd & sometimes whipped or solidified with gelatine. [also *sillibouk* (& *merribouk*), perh. f. SILLY (& *merry*) + dial. *bouk* belly] || **sill'er**, n. (Sc.). Silver; money. [= SILVER]

Sill'ery, n. Kinds of sparkling & still champagne. [place-name]

sill'y, a. & n. 1. || Innocent, simple, helpless, (arch.); foolish, weak-minded, imprudent, unwise, imbecile; || *the ~y season*, August & September as the season when newspapers start trivial discussions for lack of news; ~y point, short leg (placed close up to batsman). 2. n. (collog.). A ~y person. Hence ~ily¹ adv., ~iness n. [earlier sense *fortunate*; OE *selig*, cf. Du. *salig*, G *selig*, blessed]

sil'ô, n. (pl. -ae), & v.t. 1. Pit or airtight structure in which green crops are pressed & kept for fodder, undergoing fermenta-

tion. 2. v.t. Make ensilage of. [Sp., f. L f. Gk *stros*]

silt, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Sediment deposited by water in channel, harbour, etc. 2. vb. Choke or be choked with ~ (usu. *up*; *the passage has or is ~ed up*). [cf. Du. *sult*, Da. *syll*, salt marsh, G *silsee* brine; cogn. w. SALT]

Silûr'ian, a. & n. 1. Of the Silures, a people of ancient Britain. 2. (Of) a series of rocks forming a subdivision of the Palaeozoic immediately underlying the Devonian, named as first investigated in district of the Silures. [f. L *Silures*, -IAN]

sil'van, sý-, a. Of the, having, woods; rural. [f. L *silvanus* (*silva* wood, -AN)]

sil'ver¹, n. 1. A white lustrous precious metal used chiefly with alloy of harder metals for coin, plate, & ornaments, & in chem. combinations for photography etc. (*German* ~, *nickel* ~, etc., white alloys used as substitutes for ~ in table articles etc., or for coating with ~; *fulminating* ~, an explosive powder; *oxidized* ~). 2. ~ coins (*have you any ~ on you?*). 3. ~ vessels or implements or articles of furniture (*melted down all his ~ in the king's service*). 4. Any of the salts of ~ used in sensitizing photographic paper. 5. attrib. or adj. (usu. now preferred to ~n a. arch. see -EN¹). Made of ~, second-best, (*the ~ age*, see BRAZEN¹, also spec. the period of Latin literature that followed the Augustan; so ~ *Latin*; a ~ *cup*; *speech is ~ or ~n*, but *silence is golden*, better be silent than speak); (as substitute for ~Y¹ a., whence ~INESS n.) resembling ~ in whiteness, lustre, ringing sound, etc. (~ *hair*, white & lustrous; *has a ~ or ~y tone*; *has a ~ tongue*, is eloquent, whence ~tongued¹ a.; *every cloud has a ~ lining*, misfortune has its consolations). 6. ~bath, (tray for holding) solution of ~ nitrate used for sensitizing; ~fir, kind with two ~ lines on under side of leaves; ~fish, kinds of fish, esp. a colourless variety of gold-fish, (also) ~y insect found in books & mouldy places; ~FOLL¹; ~fox, variety of common fox with black grey-tipped fur; ~gil, ~gilded over, also imitation gilding of yellow lacquer over ~ leaf; ~grey, lustrous grey; ~LEAF; ~paper, fine white tissue-paper, (loosely) tin foil; ~plate, vessels, spoons, etc., of ~; ~point, (process of sketching on prepared paper with) ~pointed style (*a head in ~ point*); ~print, photographic positive on paper sensitized by a salt of ~; ~sand, fine kind used in gardening; ~screen, superior type of cinematographic screen. (also) film-pictures collectively; ~side, best side of round of beef; ~smith, worker in ~, manufacturer of ~ articles; ~solder, solder for joining ~; ~standard, use of ~ money alone as full legal tender; || ~stick, field-officer of Life Guards on police-duty; || ~stream, the English channel; ~thaw,

- glassy coating on the ground, exposed woodwork, etc., caused when rain freezes as it falls, or when a sudden thaw (after hard frost) is succeeded by a light frost; ~top, a disease in grasses; ~wedding, twenty-fifth anniversary; ~weed, yellow-flowered roadside plant with ~y lower leaf-surfaces. [OE *seolfor*, cf. Du. *silver*, G. *silber*, etym. dub.]
- sil'ver**¹, v.t. & i. Coat or plate with silver; provide (mirror-glass) with backing of tin foil, mercury, etc.; (of moon or white light) give silvery appearance to; (with hair as obj. or subj.) turn (t. & i.) grey or white. [f. prec.]
- sil'viculture**, sŷ-, n. The growing and tending of trees as a branch of forestry. [f. L. *silva* a wood + CULTURE]
- sim'i'an**, a. & n. 1. (zool.). (Of) one of the *Simiidae* or anthropoid apes. 2. Ape (like), monkey (like). So ~oid a. [f. L. *simia* ape, -AN]
- sim'ilar**, a. & n. 1. Like, alike, having mutual resemblance or resemblance to, of the same kind; (Gloom.) shaped alike; hence or cogn. ~ITY (-dŷr-) n., ~LY² adv. 2. n. Thing resembling another; (pl.) ~ things. [f. F. *similaire* (L. *similis* like, -AR)]
- sim'ilé**, n. The introduction, esp. in poetry or poetical style, ostensibly for explanatory or illustrative purposes but often in fact for ornament only, of an object or scene or action with which the one in hand is professedly compared & usu. connected by a comparative conjunction such as *as* (a style rich in ~ & metaphor); a comparison of this kind (the ~ of the dome of many-coloured glass; cf. METAPHOR, ALLEGORY, PARABLE). [f. L. neut. of *similis* like]
- simil'itūde**, n. Likeness, guise, outward appearance, (in. assume, the ~ of); simile, comparison, (talks in ~s); counterpart, facsimile, (rare; is the very ~ of). [OF, f. L. *similitudo* (prec., -TUDE)]
- sim'ilize**, v.i. & t. Use simile; illustrate by simile(s). [SIMILE, -IZE]
- simm'er**, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Be, keep (trans.), on the point of boiling, boil (t. & i.) very gently; (fig.) be in a state of suppressed anger, indignation, or laughter. 2. n. ~ing state (esp. at a or on the ~). [earlier *simper*, prob. imit.]
- || sim'nel-cake**, n. Rich ornamental boiled cake made esp. at Easter, Christmas, and Mid Lent. [f. OF *simenel* f. L. *simila* finest flour, cf. Gk. *semidalis*]
- simon'i'ac**, n. Person guilty of simony. [f. OF *simoniaque* (SIMONY, -AC)]
- simoni'acal**, a. Guilty of the nature, of simony. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]
- Sim'on Pŷtre**, n. The real or genuine person or article (usu. the real ~). [character in *Centlivre's Bold Strokes for a Wife*]
- sim'on'y**, n. Buying or selling of ecclesiastical preferment. [OF *simonie* f. med. L. *simonia* f. *Simon* (Magus), see *Acts* viii. 18, -Y¹]
- sim'oom'**, n. Hot dry suffocating dust-laden wind moving in straight narrow track and passing in a few minutes, chiefly in Arabian desert. [f. Arab. *semām* (samm to poison)]
- *simp**, n. (colloq.). Simpleton. [abbr.]
- sim'per**, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Smile affectedly, smirk; express by or with ~ing (~ed consent); hence ~ingly² adv., ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Affected smile. [cf. Da. & Norw. *semper*, G. *zimp(f)er*, delicate, affected]
- sim'ple**, a. & n. 1. Not compound, consisting of one element, all of one kind, involving only one operation or power, not divided into parts, not analysable, (~ sentence, without subordinate clauses; ~ interest¹; a ~ quantity, expressible by single number; induction by ~ enumeration, based merely on random examples without selection or tests; ~ addition, of numbers of one denomination; ~ equation, not involving the second or any higher power of unknown quantity, cf. QUADRATIC; ~ machine, any of the MECHANICAL powers; ~ leaf, of one blade; ~ pistil, of one carpel; ~ eye of insect, OCELLUS; ~ fracture, breaking of bone only, cf. COMPOUND²; ~ idea, that cannot be analysed into elements). 2. Not complicated or elaborate or adorned or involved or highly developed (the style is ~ and devoid of ornament; ~ diet; the ~ life, practice of doing without servants & luxuries, attempt to return to more primitive conditions; the greatest works of art are the ~st; in ~ beauty, unadorned; a ~ form of pump; ~ forms of life, creatures low in scale of evolution). 3. Absolute, unqualified, more, neither more nor less than, just, (to give an infant alcohol is ~ murder or madness; his ~ word is as good as an oath; pretends to be no more than a ~ gentleman; FEE ~). 4. Plain in appearance or manner, unaffected, unsophisticated, ingenuous, natural, artless, (a ~ person; ~ attire; a ~ heart or mind, whence ~hearted², ~minded², aa., ~mind-edness n.). 5. Foolish, ignorant, inexperienced, (am not so ~ as to suppose). 6. Easily understood or done, presenting no difficulty, (gave a ~ explanation; the problem is very ~; can be cured by a ~ device). 7. Of low rank, humble, insignificant, trifling, (GENTLE & ~; her ~ efforts to please); hence or cogn. ~NESS (rare), simpli'city, n., sim'ply² adv. 8. n. A herb used medicinally, the medicine made from it; be cut for the ~s, undergo operation for cure of folly. [OF, f. L. *simplic-* st. of *simplex*: onefold (sim- one, cf. *semel* once, *simul* at once, *simplic* one by one, + *plic-*, cf. *plicare* to fold)]
- sim'pleton** (-pl-), n. Foolish, gullible, or half-witted person. [fancy noun f. prec.]
- simpli'citer**, adv. Absolutely, univer-

sally, without limitation, not relatively or in certain respects only (cf. *SECUNDUM QUID*). [L]

sim'plif'y, v.t. Make simple, make easy to do or understand. So ~FICA'TION n. [f. L *simplicis* simple, -FY]

sim'plism, n. Affected simplicity. [-ISM]

sim'ulāc'rum, n. (pl. -ra). Image of something; shadowy likeness, deceptive substitute, mere pretence. [L (*SIMULARE*)]

sim'ulant, a. Having the appearance of (esp. biol., as *slamens* ~ of petals). [foll., -ANT]

sim'ulāte, v.t. Feign, pretend to have or feel, put on, (~ virtue, indignation, etc.); pretend to be, act like, resemble, wear the guise of, mimic, (of word) take or have an altered form suggested by (word wrongly taken for its source), (*actor* ~s king etc.; *chameleon* ~s its surroundings; *amuck*, for *amok*, ~s the English muck). So **simulā'tion** n. [f. L *simulare* (*similis* like), -ATE³]

simulātā'neous, a. Occurring or operating at the same time (*with*). Hence **simulātānē'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *simul* together, -ANEUS, perh. after L *momentaneus* f. *momentum*]

simūr'g, n. Monstrous bird of Persian myth. [f. Pers. *simurgh*]

sin, n., & v.i. & t. (-nn-). 1. Transgression, a transgression, against divine law or principles of morality (ORIGINAL ~; *living in open* ~; *deadly* or *mortal* ~, such as kills the soul or is fatal to salvation; *the seven deadly* ~s, pride, covetousness, lust, anger, gluttony, envy, sloth; one's *besetting* ~, to which one is especially tempted; for *my* ~s, *joc.*, as a judgement for something or other; *the unpardonable* ~, that described *Matt.* xii. 31-2; *man of* ~, arch. or *joc.*, reprobate, also Antichrist; *like* ~, sl., vehemently); offence against good taste, propriety, etc.; ~eater, one hired to take on himself a dead person's ~s by eating bread and drinking ale placed on the bier; ~offering, sacrifice etc. in expiation of ~; hence ~FUL, ~LESS, aa., ~FULLY², ~LESSLY², advv., ~fulness, ~lessness, nn. 2. vb. Commit ~; offend against (*more* ~ned against than ~ning, see *King Lear* III. ii. 60, often of victim of seduction); ~ one's *mercies*, be ungrateful for good luck; hence ~NER¹ n. (often *joc.*, as *you young* ~ner; as *I am a* ~ner, form of asseveration). [vb f. n., OE *synn*, cf. Du. *sonde*, G *sünde*; perh. cogn. w. L *sons* *sontis* guilty]

Sināit'ic, a. Of Mount Sinai or the peninsula of Sinai. [f. mod. L *Sinaiticus*]

Sinānthrōp'us, n. Apelike man of the type represented by remains found near Peking. [mod. L, f. SINO- + Gk *anthrōpos* man]

sin'apism, n. Mustard plaster. [f. F *sinapisme* f. L f. Gk *sinapismos* (*sinapis* cover with *sinapi* mustard)]

since, adv., prep., & conj. 1. After specified or implied past time, throughout (usu. *ever* ~) or at some or any point in the period between such time & that which is present or being dealt with, (*has* or *had been healthy ever* ~; *then more flourishing than ever before* or ~; *has* ~ *been cut down*; *have* or *had not seen him* ~); ago (*happened many years* ~; *how long* ~ *is it* ?; *saw him not long* ~). 2. prep. After (specified past time or event), through or in period between time present or being dealt with & (such time), (*has* or *had been going on, has happened*, ~ 1900 or Christmas; *have eaten nothing* ~ yesterday; ~ *seeing you I have* or *had heard* —). 3. conj. From the past time when, through or in the period between time present or being dealt with & that when (*what have you done* ~ *we met* ?; *nothing has happened, there had been a disturbance*, ~ *we parted*); seeing that, inasmuch as, (~ *that is so, there is no more to be said*); (ellipt.) as being (a more dangerous, ~ unknown, foe), (earlier *sithence* f. OE *siththan* after that (*sith* after, cf. G *seit*, then instr. case of demonst. pron.) + -ES]

sincē're, a. Free from pretence or deceit, the same in reality as in seeming or profession, not assumed or put on, genuine, honest, frank. Hence or cogn. **sincē'rity** n., ~LY² (-ly) adv. (esp. in *yours* ~ly before signature of letter). [f. L *sincerus*, etym. dub.]

sin'cipūt, n. Head from forehead to top (cf. OCCIPUT). [L (*semi*-half, *caput* head)]

sine¹, n. (trigon.). (~ of arc) line drawn from one extremity of arc perpendicularly to radius which meets other extremity; (~ of angle) ratio of above line to radius (abbr. *sin*, as *sin A*, ratio of the perpendicular subtending the angle A to the hypotenuse; *versed* ~, abbr. *vers*, unity minus the cosine). [f. L *sinus* curve]

sin'ē², L prep. Without (~ *di's*, without date, of business indefinitely adjourned; ~ *quid nōn*, indispensable condition or qualification).

sin'écū're, n. Office of profit or honour without duties attached, esp. benefice without cure of souls. Hence ~ISM (3), ~IST(2), nn. [f. L *sine cura* without care]

sin'ew, n., & v.t. 1. (Piece of) tough fibrous tissue uniting muscle to bone, tendon; (pl., loosely) muscles, bodily strength, wiriness, (fig.) what forms the strength of or sustains or holds together, framework, resources, (esp. *the* ~s of war, money, armaments, etc.); hence ~LESS, ~Y², aa., ~INESS n. 2. v.t. (poet.). Serve as ~s of, sustain, hold together. [OE *sinu*, cf. Du. *seenuw*, G *sehne*]

sinfoni'a (-&a), n. (In early Italian operas) overture. [It., = symphony]

sing, v.i. & t. (*sing* or, now rare, *sung*; *sung*). 1. Utter words, utter (words), in

tuneful succession, esp. in accordance with a set tune (~ one's *praises*, be always praising him), whence ~ABLE a. 2. Produce vocal melody, utter (song, tune), (*birds were ~ing*; ~ another song or tune, ~ small, become more humble, be crest-fallen). 3. Make inarticulate melodious or humming or buzzing or whistling sounds (*wind, kettle, bee, ~s*); (of ears) be affected as with buzzing sound (also have a ~ing in one's ears). 4. Compose poetry, celebrate (hero, beauty, great event, etc.) in verse. 5. Usher (esp. old or new year) out or in with ~ing; put to sleep, into good humour, etc., with ~ing; ~ out t. & i., call out loudly, shout. 6. || ~ing-man [-ING²], paid ~er; ~ing-master [-ING¹], teacher of ~ing; ~ing-voice [-ING¹], voice as modulated in ~ing. Hence ~ER¹ n. [OE *singan*, cf. Du. *zingen*, G *singen*]

singe (-j), v.t. & i. (~ing), & n. 1. Burn (t. & i.) superficially (~ person's hair, burn off tips as hairdressing operation; ~ pig, fowl, burn off bristles, down, after killing or plucking; ~ King of Spain's beard, harry his coasts; your dress is ~ing; his reputation is a little ~d; ~ one's feathers or wings, take some harm esp. in venturesome attempt). 2. n. Superficial burn (rare). [OE *sengan* perh. related to prec. w. ref. to hissing sound made in burning; cf. Du. *zengen*, G *sengen*] **Singhalese** (-nggaléz'). (Now usu. form of) CINGALESE.

single¹ (sing'gl), a. & n. 1. One only, not double or multiple, united, undivided, designed for or used or done by one person etc. or one set or pair, (~ COMBAT, ENTRY, FILE²; ~ flower, that grows one on a stem, also that has not double corolla; ~ game, with one player on each side; ~ wicket, rudimentary form of cricket; ~ court in lawn tennis, fives, etc., of size etc. for ~ game; ~ bed, room, for one person; ~ eye-glass, for one eye, monocle; a multitude inspired with a ~ purpose); (of ticket) valid for outward journey only. 2. Solitary, lonely, unaided, (a ~ tree stands on the ridge; paid either by instalments or in a ~ sum; ~ life, state, man, woman, unmarried; ~ blessedness, joc., unmarried state). 3. (In negative contexts) not to speak of more (*did not see a ~ one, a ~ person; can a ~ argument be advanced for it?*). 4. Free from duplicity, sincere, consistent, guileless, ingenuous, (a ~ eye, devotion to one purpose, whence ~eyed² a.; ~ heart or mind, simplicity of character, whence ~-hearted², ~-mind-ed², aa., ~-mind'edness n.). 5. ~acting, (of engine etc.) with steam admitted only to one side of piston; ~breasted, (of coat etc.) with only one set of buttons & buttonholes, not overlapping & buttoning either way; ~cut, (of fls) with grooves out in one direction only, not crossing; ~fire, (of cartridge)

not meant to be recharged after use; ~handed a. & adv., (*done* etc.) without help from other persons (*by his ~handed efforts; cannot be done ~handed*), also with or for one hand (*the men played ~handed against the women with both hands; two-handed & ~-handed swords*); ~loader, breechloading rifle without magazine; ~stick, (fencing with) basket-hilted stik of about sword's length; hence ~ness n., sing'ly² adv., (-ngg-). 6. n. ~ game; ~ ticket; hit for one in cricket; (short whist) game won by 5-4; (pl.) twisted ~ threads of silk. [OF, f. LL *singulus* (L *singuli* one by one, cf. SIMPLE)]

single² (sing'gl), v.t. Choose out as example or as distinguishable or to serve some purpose. [f. prec.]

|| sing'let (-ngg-), n. Garment worn below shirt, vest. [SINGLE¹, -ET¹; prob. orig. =unlined garment on anal. of DOUBLET] **sing'leton** (-nggl-), n. The only card of a suit at bridge etc.; single thing, only child, etc. [f. SINGLE on anal. of *simpleton*] **sing'song**, a. & n., & v.i. & t. 1. In, recited with, monotonous rhythm. 2. n. Monotonous rhythm; monotonous cadence in speaking; || impromptu vocal concert, meeting for amateur singing. 3. vb. Recite (verse etc.), speak, in ~ manner. [SING, SONG]

sing'ular (-ngg-), a. & n. 1. (Gram.) of the form used in speaking of a single person or thing, not dual or plural; single, individual, (esp. all & ~, all whether taken together or separately); unexampled, unique, (now rare); unusual, remarkable from rarity, much beyond the average in degree, extraordinary, surprising; eccentric, unconventional, strangely behaved. 2. n. (gram.). The ~ NUMBER¹; a word in the ~ number. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *singulier* f. L *singularis* (*singuli* one by one, -AR¹)]

sing'ulā'rity (-ngg-), n. In adj. senses; esp., uncommonness, being remarkable, odd trait or peculiarity. [f. F *singularité* f. L *singularitatem* (prec., -TY)]

sing'ulariz'e (-ngg-), v.t. Strip (word) of termination mistaken for that of plural (pease & Chinese are ~d into pea, Chinese). Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

Sinhalese (-naléz'). = CINGALESE.

sin'ister, a. (Her.) on left side of shield etc. (i.e. on right as seen by observer; BEND¹, BAR¹, ~; cf. DEXTER); (joc.) left; of evil omen; (usu. of person in regard to his appearance, or of his face or look) ill-looking, of malignant or villainous aspect; wicked, flagitious, (a ~ design). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. OF *sinistre* f. L *sinistrum* nom. -ter left]

sinis'tral, a. Of, on, the left (rare); (of spiral shells) with whorls going to left & not as usu. to right. Hence ~LY² adv. [prec., -AL]

sin'istro-, comb. form of L *sinister* left,

as ~*ce'bral*, of the left hemisphere of the brain; ~*rac*, with leftward motion or aspect (esp. in Bot. of climbing plants etc.).
sink¹, v.i. & t. (*sānk* or now rarely *sūnk*; *sūnk* or in adj. use usu. *sūnken*). 1. Fall slowly downwards, decline, disappear below surface of liquid or below horizon, come gradually to lower level or pitch, droop, despond, subside, settle down, gradually expire or perish or cease, (*sun is ~ing*, *sank*; *my heart, spirits, sank*; *ship ~s*, goes to the bottom; *her eyes sank*, were turned downwards; *his head, chin, sank on his shoulder, chest*; *voice ~s*, becomes lower-pitched, or quieter; *sick man, life, is ~ing*, becoming weaker, dying; *prices ~*, become lower; *storm, river, ~s*, subsides; *ground ~s*, slopes down, also comes to lower level by subsidence; *darkness sank upon the scene*, descended; ~ *into* feebleness, degradation, the grave, a quicksand, a chair; ~ *in* one's estimation, lose credit with him; *his eyes, cheeks, have sunk in* or *sunk*, fallen inwards, become hollow; so *sunken cheeks, eyes*; *here goes, ~ or swim*, said in running risks & taking chances). 2. Penetrate (intr.), make way, *in* or *into* (*bayonet sank in to the hill*; *impression, lesson, ~s into the mind or memory*, becomes fixed; *dye ~s in*, is absorbed). 3. Cause or allow to ~, send below surface of liquid or ground, lower level of, keep (trans.) in obscurity or background, conceal, put out of sight, make no reference to, excavate, make by excavating, engrave, (*would sooner ~ the ship than surrender*; ~ *shaft, well, dig* or *bore* it; ~ *one's head on one's chest*, let it droop; *drought had sunk the streams*; ~ *one's title, name, office*, etc., keep it temporarily secret, not obtrude it; ~ *the shop*; ~ *a fact*, keep it quiet; ~ *oneself* or *one's own interests*, be altruistic; *SINKING-fund*; ~ *a die*, engrave it; ~ *money*, invest it in undertaking from which it cannot be readily withdrawn, also lose it by such investment; *sunk fence*¹). Hence ~**ABLE** a. [OE *sincan*, cf. Du. *zinken*, G *sinken*].
sink², n. Place in which foul liquid collects (now usu. fig.; *the Chinese quarter is a ~ of iniquity*); basin or box usu. of lead or porcelain with outflow pipe into which slops are thrown in kitchens etc.; pool or marsh in which river's water disappears by evaporation or percolation; opening in stage through which scenery is raised & lowered. [f. prec.]
sink³*er*, n. In vbl senses; esp.: weight used to sink fishing or sounding line (*hook¹, line, & ~*); DIN¹⁻². [-ER¹]
sink⁴*ing*, n. In vbl senses; also: internal bodily sensation caused by hunger or apprehension; ~*fund*, moneys set aside for the purpose of sinking or wiping out a State's or corporation's debt by *degress* (*the ~fund*, surplus of revenue over expenditure, devoted to payment of

national debt; *raid the ~fund*, use such surplus in any year for other purposes). [-ING¹]
sinn³*er*. See **SIN**.
sinn⁴*et*. See **SENEXIT**.

Sinn Fein (*shín fān*), n. A 20th-c. patriotic movement & party in Ireland aiming at national revival in language etc. as well as political independence. [Ir., = we ourselves]

Sin³*o*-, comb. form of Gk *Sinai*, the Chinese; ~**PHONE** n. & a., hater of, hating, the Chinese; ~**PHOB**³*ia*; also with another adj. of nationality, with the meaning 'Chinese and' (~*Japanese*).

sin³*ologue* (-ōg, -ōg), n. Person versed in sinology. [F (foll., -LOGUE)]

sin³*ol*³*ogy*, n. Knowledge of the Chinese language, history, customs, etc. Hence **sin**³*ol*³*ogist* n. [SINO-, -LOGY]

sin³*ter*, n. Siliceous or calcareous rock formed by deposit of springs. [G, cf. CINDER]

sin³*uate*, a. (esp. bot.). Wavy-edged, with distinct inward & outward bends along edge. Hence ~**LY**² adv., **sin**³*u*³*ation* n. [f. L *sinuare* (SINUS) bend, -ATE²]

sin³*u*³*ōs*³*ity*, n. Being sinuous; a bend, esp. in a stream or road. [foll., -ITY]

sin³*uous*, a. With many curves, serpentine, tortuous, undulating. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *sinuosus* (HINUS, -OUS)]

sin³*us*, n. (pl. -*uses*, -*ūs*). (Anat., Zool.) cavity of bone or tissue, pouch-shaped hollow; (Path.) fistula; (Bot.) curve between lobes of leaf. [L, = bosom, recess]

-sion (-shn, -zhn), suf. forming n. of action or condition (= -s of L p.p. st. + -ION, & see -ATION), as *tension* (*tendere tens-*).

Sioux (sōō, sū), n. (pl. the same, pr. sōō, sū, sōōz, sūz), & a. 1. Member of a N.-Amer.-Indian tribe. 2. adj. Of the ~. [F, f. native name]

sip, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Drink (t. & i.) in repeated tiny mouthfuls or by spoonfuls. 2. n. Small mouthful of liquid imbibed (a ~ of brandy). [f. 14th c.; perh. dim. in form & sense of SUP]

si³*phaee* (sē-), n. = SEPOY.

siph³*on*, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Pipe or tube shaped like inverted V with unequal legs for conveying liquid over edge of vessel & delivering it at lower level by utilizing atmospheric pressure; (also ~*bottle*) aerated-water bottle from which liquid is forced out by pressure of gas through ~tube; (Zool.; also *siphuncle*) canal or conduit esp. in molluscs or shells, sucking-tube of some insects etc.; ~ *barometer*, with tube bent at bottom like inverted ~; ~*cup*, lubricating apparatus with oil led over edge of reservoir by capillary action through wick; ~ *gauge*, glass ~ attached to reservoir & containing mercury for indicating pressure etc. inside reservoir; hence ~**AL**, *siphonal*, a.

2. vb. Conduct or flow (as) through ~ (*water is ~ing from the vase on to the tablecloth*); hence ~AGE(3) n. [f. L f. Gk *siphōn* tube]

siph'onēt, n. One of two tubes through which aphides exude honeydew. [prec., -ET¹]

siph'uncle (-'ŋkl), n. See SIPHON. [f. L *siphunculus* (SIPHON, -UNCLE)]

sipp'ēt, n. Small piece of bread etc. soaked in liquid; one of the pieces of toast or fried bread served round mince etc. [perh. dim. of *soṛ*, see -ET¹]

si'quels, n. Notice posted in ordination-candidate's parish church serving similar purpose to banns. [L, =if anyone (know an impediment)]

sir, n., & v.t. (-rr-). **1.** Used as vocative in addressing a master or superior, the Speaker of the House of Commons either in his own person on points of order or as embodiment of the House in ordinary debate, any male whose name is or is to be understood to be unknown to speaker, or boy etc. who is to be rebuked (pl. ~s, for which *gentlemen* is usu. substituted). **2.** Used as titular prefix to name of knight or baronet, always followed by Christian name, or its initial & surname, or the whole name (*Sir John Moore*, *Sir J. Moore*, or, in familiar use esp. as vocative, *Sir John*). **3. v.t.** Address as ~ (*don't ~ me*). [shortened f. *SIR*]

sir'cār, n. (Anglo-Ind.). The Government of India; head of government or household; house-steward; native accountant. [f. Hind. f. Pers. *sarkār* (*sar* head, *kār* work)]

sir'dār, n. (In India etc.) person in command, leader; (in Egypt) commander-in-chief (formerly a British officer) of army. [f. Hind. f. Pers. *sardār* (prec., -ddr holding)]

sir'e, n., & v.t. **1.** Father or male ancestor (poet.); male parent of beast, esp. stallion kept for breeding; (voc.) Your Majesty (in addressing king or sovereign prince). **2. v.t.** Beget (esp. of stallions). [OF, f. L *SENIOR*]

sir'ēn, n. **1.** (Gk Myth.; pl.) women, or half women & half birds, living on a rocky isle to which they lured unwary seafarers with enchanting music. **2.** Sweet singer. **3.** Dangerously fascinating woman, temptress, tempting pursuit etc.; (attrib.) irresistibly tempting, as of a ~. **4.** = *SIRENIAN*. **5.** Instrument used in acoustic experiments & for making loud sound as warning etc. by revolution of perforated disk over jet of compressed air or steam; instrument for giving warning of air raids. [f. OF *serēne* f. LL *Sirena* f. L f. Gk *seirēn* stym. dub.]

sirēn'ian, a. & n. (Member) of the *Sirenia*, an order of fishlike mammals swimming otocceans, including manatee & dugong. [med. L *Sirenia* (prec.), -AN]

sirg'āng, n. Bright-green Asiatic bird, the green jackdaw. [E.-Ind.]

sir'i'asis, n. Sunstroke; sun-bath as medical treatment. [L, f. Gk *seiriasis* (*seiriaō* be hot, -ASIS)]

Sir'ius. See DOG¹. [L, f. Gk *Seirios*, cf. prec.]

sirk'ar. = *SIRCAR*.

sir'l'oin, n. || Upper part of loin of beef, with meat both above & (*undercut* or *fillet*) below the bone. [corrupt. of *surlain* (1554) f. F *surlonge* (SUR⁻², LOIN)]

sirōcc'ō, sci-, n. (pl. ~s). (Italian name for) Sahara wind or simoom when it reaches Italy, (also for) warm sultry rainy wind prevailing in winter. [It., f. Arab. *sharq* the East]

sir'rah (arch.), **sir(ree)*, nn. voc. replacing *sir* in imperious or contemptuous use. [f. *SIR*]

sirup. See SYRUP.

sirvente (*servahnt'*), n. Medieval usu. satirical lay of special metrical form. [orig. sense *service-song* (i.e. not love-song), F, f. Pr. *sirventes* (L *servire* serve, -ENT, -ESE)]

sis'al, n. Fibre prepared from leaves of agave, used for cordage, ropes, etc.; the plant. [S~, port of Yucatan]

sis'kin, n. Olive-green songbird, kind of finch, often kept in cage. [f. G dial. *sisschen* prob. of Slav. orig., cf. Pol. *czyżik*]

siss'ōō, n. Valuable Indian timber (-tree). [Hind. *sissl*]

siss'y. See Cissy.

sister, n. **1.** Daughter of same parents (also ~ *german*) or (strictly *half*-~) parent as another person (the latter usu. specified by *my* etc. or possessive case; *the Fatal S-s* or *S-s three* or *three S-s*, the Fates; *S~ Anne*, person watching on behalf of another for an arrival, w. ref. to *Bluebeard*); (prop. ~in-law) one's husband's or wife's ~ or brother's wife. **2.** Close female friend, female fellow member of class or sect or human race. **3.** Member of religious community of women (~ of *CHARITY*; ~ of *mercy*, member of nursing sisterhood, esp. of R.-C. one founded in Dublin 1827; *little S-s of the poor*, French R.-C. charitable sisterhood; *LAY* ~). **4.** Hospital nurse in authority over others. **5.** Personified quality or thing regarded as female that closely resembles another (*prose, younger ~ of verse*; ~ *ships*, built on same design). **6.** ~hook, double hook that opens to admit rope etc. & closes into a figure 8. Hence ~LESS, ~LY¹, aa., ~LINESS n. [Aryan; OE *swuster*, cf. Du. *suster*, G *schwester*, L *soror*, Skr. *svasā*]

sisterhood, n. Being a sister or sisters, relation between sisters; society of women bound by monastic vows or devoting themselves to religious or charitable work. [-HOOD]

Sis'tine, a. Of one of the popes called *Sixtus* (~ *chapel*, in Vatican, with frescoes by Michelangelo; ~ *Madonna*, picture by Raphael removed from church of San Sisto in Piacenza). [f. It. *Sistino* (*Sisto* *Sixtus*, -INE¹)]

sist'rum, n. (pl. -tra). Jingling instrument or rattle used by ancient Egyptians esp. in rites of Isis. [L, f. Gk *seistrōn* (*sciō* shake)]

sisyphé'an, a. As of Sisyphus, Greek condemned in Tartarus to push a stone up hill & begin again when it rolled down, everlastingly laborious. [f. L f. Gk *Sisupheios* (*Sisuphos*), -AN]

sit, v.i. & t. (*sed*). 1. Take or be in position in which body is supported more or less upright by buttocks resting on ground or raised seat (~ *s well*, has good seat in riding; ~ *tight*, colloq., remain firmly in one's place, not be shaken off or move away or yield to distractions); be engaged in some occupation in which this position is usual (~ in *judgement*, assume right of judging others, be censorious; ~ for one's *portrait*, give painter interviews or sittings; || ~ for *fellowship* etc., undergo examination for it; ~ for *borough* etc., represent it in Parliament; *Parliament*, *Courts*, are ~ing, in session; ~ at *home*, be inactive). 2. (Of birds & some animals) rest with legs bent & body close to ground or perch (*shoot bird*, *hare*, ~ing, when not on wing or running); remain on nest to hatch eggs (~ing *hen*, engaged in hatching; *wants to ~*, is broody). 3. (Chiefly of inanimate things) be in more or less permanent position (~ *s the wind there?*, is it in that quarter?, is that the state of affairs?; *food ~s heavy on the stomach*, is not soon digested; *her dress, imperiousness*, etc., ~ *s well on her*, suits, fits; ~ing *tenant*, one in present occupation; *his principles ~ loosely on him*, do not bind him much). 4. Keep one's seat on (horse etc.); *he could not ~ his mule*. 5. ~ *down*, take seat after standing (also refl. arch., as *sat him*, *pray ~ you*, *down*), (Mil.) encamp before place to besiege it; ~ *down strike*, one in which strikers refuse to leave the place where they are working; ~ *down under*, submit tamely to (insult etc.). 6. ~ *on or upon*, (of jury etc.) hold session concerning; ~ *on his head* (as way of keeping fallen horse quiet); (sl.) repress or rebuke or snub (*he wants ~ing upon*). 7. ~ *out*, take no part in something, esp. in particular dance (also trans., as *sat out the next dance*), also ~ outdoors, (trans.) outstay (other visitors) or stay till end of (performance). 8. ~ *over* (player), (Bridge) be on his left hand (and so in advantageous position). 9. ~ *under*, be one of congregation preached to by (minister). 10. ~ *up*, rise from lying to ~ing posture, remain (*late*, *nursing*, etc.) out of bed, ~ *erect* without

lolling (*make one ~ up*, colloq., subject him to hard work, pain, surprise, etc.); ~ *up & take notice* (colloq.), have one's interest (suddenly) aroused. 11. ~ *fast* n., horny sore on horse's back. [Aryan; OE *sittan*, cf. Du. *zitten*, G *sitzen*, L *sedere*, Gk *hezomai*, Skr. *sad*]

site, n., & v.t. 1. Ground on which town or building stood, stands, or is to stand. 2. v.t. Locate, place. [f. L *situs*]

|| **sith**, conj. (arch., bibl.). Since. [see **SINCE**]

sit(i)le-, comb. form of Gk *sitos*, *sition*, food, as ~*ole* dietetics, ~*ophob'ia* morbid aversion to food.

sitt'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: person sitting for portrait; *good*, *bad*, ~, hen that sits well etc.; (sl., from *to shoot bird sitting*) easy shot, thing easily done. [-ER¹]

sitt'ing, n. In vbl senses; esp.: time during which one sits continuously (*wrote the whole poem at a ~*; *all-night ~ of House of Commons*; *can you give me six ~s?*, for portrait); clutch of eggs; seat in church appropriated to a person; ~ *room*, space enough to accommodate seated persons, also a room used for sitting in (opp. *bedroom*). [-ING¹]

sit'uated, **sit'uate** (arch., a). In specified situation (*situated on the top of the hill*; *awkwardly situated*, in a difficulty). [f. LL *situatus* (L *situs* position, -ATE², -3)]

situ'ation, n. Place, with its surroundings, occupied by something (*house stands in a fine ~*; *unrivalled for ~*); set of circumstances, position in which one finds oneself, (*came out of a difficult ~ with credit*); critical point or complication in drama (*curtain falls on a strong ~*); employee's, esp. domestic's, place or paid office (*cannot find a ~*). [F (prec., -ATION)]

sitz-bath. See **BATH**¹.

Si'va (sé-), n. Hindu god held supreme by his special votaries, & by others associated as principle of destruction with Brahma & Vishnu in a triad. Hence ~*is'tic* [-IST, -IC] a., ~*ism*¹ (1) n. & a. [Hind., f. Skr. *civa* propitious]

six, a. & n. 1. One more than five, 6, vi, (often agreeing with understood noun, as ~ *of the men*, ~ *of them*, ~ *o'clock* or ~; ~ *to one*, long odds; *two & ~*, half-a-crown; || ~ & *eight(pence)*, common item in solicitors' bills; || ~ & ~, 6/8; *it is ~ of one & half-a-dozen of the other*, difference is merely nominal; *twenty ~*, or ~ & *twenty*, & so on to ~ & *ninety*, *am not ~ yet*, years old); ~ *footer*, person 6 ft in height, thing 6 ft long; || ~ *pence*, (silver coin worth) 6d. (*have not got a ~ pence*); || ~ *penny* a., costing or worth 6d. (~ *penny bit*, or ~ *penny* as n., the coin ~ *pence*; || *seven-&-penny* etc., costing 7/6 etc.); ~ *shooter*, ~ *chambered* revolver; hence ~ *fold* a. & adv. 2. a. The

number ~ (*twice ~ is twelve; at ~es & scenes, in confusion*); card or die-face of ~ pipe (*the ~ of spades; double ~es, die-throw of two ~es*); || (pl.) candles made ~ to the lb. [Aryan; cf. Du. *ses*, G. *sechs*, L. *sex*, Gk. *hex*, Skr. *ṣaṣ*]

six'ain, n. Six-line stanza. [F (*six* f. L. *sex*)]

six'er, n. Hit for six in cricket. [-ER']

sixte, n. One of the positions in fencing. [F, f. L. *sixtus* sixth]

sixteen', a. & n. 1. One more than fifteen, 16, xvi; ~mo or 16mo. = SEXTODECIMO; hence ~TH¹ a. & n. 2. The number ~ (*twice ~ is thirty-two*). [-TEEN]

sixth, a. & n. 1. Next after fifth (*the, a, ~, often as n. with ellipse of noun, esp. the* = 6th day of month; || ~ FORM¹); ~ part, one of six equal parts into which thing may be divided. 2. n. = ~ part; || the ~ form; (Mus.) interval of which the span involves six alphabetical names of notes, harmonic combination of notes thus separated. [OE *sixta*, w. assim. to FOURTH, see -TH¹]

sixth'y, adv. In the sixth place (in enumerations). [-Y¹]

six'ty, a. & n. 1. Six times ten, 60, lx, (~ one, ~eight, etc.; ~first, ~fourth, etc.); ~four-mo, (size of) book or page given by folding sheet six times into 64 leaves (for L. *in quarto et sexagesimo*); hence **six'ti-ETH** a. & n. 2. The number ~; the sixties, years between 59 & 70 in life or century. [OE *sixtig* (-TY²)]

six'able, a. Of large size. [SKE¹, -ABLE]

|| **six'ar**, n. Student at Cambridge or Trinity College, Dublin, paying reduced fees & formerly charged with certain menial offices. Hence ~SHIP n. [foll. = ration, ~ER¹ (cf. *scholar*)]

size', n., & v.t. & i. 1. (hist.). Standard of weight or measure for some article esp. of food or drink; || (Camb. Univ.; also **siz'ing**¹ n.) ration of food or drink from buttery. 2. Dimensions, magnitude, (*is of vast, diminutive, ~, very large or small; ~ matters less than quality; are both of a, i.e. the same, ~; is the ~ of, i.e. as big as, an egg; what ~, i.e. how big, is it?; that's about the ~ of it, colloq.*, a true account of the matter); one of the usu. numbered classes into which things, esp. garments, otherwise similar are divided in respect of ~ (*is made in several ~s; takes ~ 7 in gloves; is quite a ~, three ~s, too big; OUT ~*). 3. Implement for sizing pearls. 4. ~stick, shoemaker's measure for taking length of foot; hence (-)SIZED¹ (-ed) a. 5. v.t. Group or sort in ~s or according to ~, whence **siz'ER**¹(2) n.; ~ up, estimate ~ of, (colloq.) form judgement of (person etc.). 6. v.i. || (Camb. Univ.) order ~. [F. OF *siz* shortened f. *assies* ASSIZE]

sized', n., & v.t. 1. Gelatinous solution used in gluing paper & stiffening textiles ~ in many manufacturing

hence **siz'Y**¹ a. 2. v.t. Glaze or stiffen or treat with ~. [perh. = prec.]

siz'zle, v.i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Make sputtering sound as in frying. 2. n. Such noise. [imit.]

sjäm'bök (sh-), n., & v.t. 1. Rhinoceros-hide whip. 2. v.t. Flog with ~. [S.-Afr. Du. f. Malay *chamboq* f. Pers. *chābruk* whip]

skald. See SCALD¹.

skat (-aht), n. A three-handed (rd-game popular in Germany. [G, f. It. *scarto* a discard]

skäte', n. Kinds of ray-fish, esp. rhomboidal long-tailed kind. [f. ON *skatja*]

skät'e', n., & v.i. & t. 1. One of pair of implements, each with steel blade or set of rollers, attached beneath boots & enabling wearer to glide in curves over ice or (roller~e) hard floor. 2. vb. Move, perform (specified figure), on ~es (~e over thin ice, talk on subject needing tactful treatment); ~ing-rink, piece of ice artificially made, or floor reserved, for ~ing; hence ~ER¹ n. [earlier *schates* pl. f. Du. *schaatsen* pl. f. ONF *escache* stilt]

skean, **skène**, **skain**, n. Gaelic dagger used in Ireland & Scotland; ~dhu (-dō), dagger stuck in stocking as part of Highland costume. [f. Gael. *sgian* knife, *dubh* black]

skédad'die, v.i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Run away, disperse in flight. 2. n. Hurried flight or dispersal. [U.S., etym. dub.]

skée. See SKI.

skein (-šn), n. Bundle of yarn or thread or silk made by coiling it many times, drawing it out to the coil's length, & folding it; flock of wild geese etc. in flight; (fig.) tangle, confusion. [f. OF *escaigne*, etym. dub.]

skél'eton, n. 1. Hard internal or external framework of bones, cartilage, shell, woody fibre, etc., supporting or containing an animal or vegetable body, whence **skél'étal** a., **skél'éto-** comb. form, **skélétog'raphy** n., etc. 2. Dried bones of human being or other animal fastened together in same relative positions as in life (~ at the feast, something that allows pleasure, intrusive care; ~ in the cupboard, family ~, discreditable or humiliating fact concealed from strangers); part of anything that remains after its life or usefulness is gone. 3. Framework or essential part of anything (~ crew, regiment, etc., permanent nucleus ready for filling up, cadre; ~ drill, with companies etc. represented by two men separated by long rope; ~ key, fitting many locks by having interior of bit hollowed; ~ or ~face type, with thin strokes). 4. Outline sketch, epitome, abstract. 5. (By exag.) thin person. [Gk, orig. neut. of *skeletos* dried-up (*skeleto* parch)]

skél'etonize, v.t. Reduce to skeleton or abstract by destroying flesh, the tissue

between veins of leaves, etc., or by omitting details. [-IZE]

|| skēlp, v.t. & i., & n. (chiefly So.). 1. Slap, smack; (v.i.) hurry along. 2. n. (Noise made by) a slap or smack. [prob. imit.]

skene. See SKHAN.

skēp, n. Kinds, varying locally, of wooden or wicker basket; straw or wicker beehive. [f. ON *skeppa*, cf. Du. *schepel*]

skepsis, skeptic, etc. See sce-

sketch, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Preliminary, rough, slight, merely outlined, or unfinished drawing or painting often as experiment for, or memorandum for use in, regular picture; brief account without many details conveying general idea of something, rough draft, general outline; slight play often of musical kind or short descriptive article; musical composition of single movement; ~-block, -book, arrangements of drawing-paper leaves for doing series of ~es on; ~-map, with outlines but little detail; hence ~Y² a., ~ILY² adv. ~INESS n. 2. vb. Make or give ~ of; make ~es esp. of landscape (*went out ~ing*); hence ~ER¹ n. [*f. Du. schetsen* f. It. schizzo, perh. f. L f. Gk *skhedios* off-hand, extempore]

skew, a. & n. 1. Oblique, slanting, sideways, distorted, (now chiefly in Archit., Mech., & Math.; ~ *bridge*, with line of arch not at right angles to abutment; ~ *chisel*, with oblique edge; ~ *wheel*, bevel wheel with oblique teeth; ~ *curve*, in three dimensions) (Math.) having symmetry distorted by reversal of some element on opposite sides; ~ *back*, sloping face of an abutment on which the extremity of an arch rests; ~ *bald*, (esp. of horse) with irregular patches of white & some colour (prop. not black, cf. *piebald*); ~ *eyed*, squinting; || ~ *whiff* (colloq. & dial.), *askew*. 2. n. Sloping top of buttress; coping of gable; stone built into bottom of gable to support coping. [f. obs. *skew* vb side, shy, f. ONF *cekluer* = OF *eschever* **ESKEW**]

skew'er, n., & v.t. 1. Pin of wood or iron for holding meat compactly together while cooking; (joc.) sword etc. 2. v.t. Fasten together, pierce, (as) with ~. [*f.* 17th c.; also *skier*; etym. dub.]

ski (skē, shē), n. (pl. ~, ~s), and v.i. (~d pr. skēd; ~ing pr. skē'ing). 1. One of pair of wooden runners about 8 ft long & 4 in. broad fastened under feet for travelling over snow esp. in Scandinavia; ~-joring (-yē'ing), winter sport in which the skier is towed by a horse. 2. v.l. Go on ~. [Norw., f. ON *skid* billet, snow-shoe, cf. *skid*]

skiagraphy etc. See scia-

skid, n.; v.t. & 1. (-dd-). 1. Piece of frame or timber serving as buffer, support, inclined plane, etc.; wooden or metal shoe preventing wheel from revolving used as brake (also *-pad*); other kinds of wheel-

looking contrivance; slip or slide of wheel on muddy ground. 2. vb. Support or move or protect or check with ~; (of wheel or vehicle) slide forwards or backwards or sideways on slippery ground. [perh. cogn. w. ON *skida* billet, cf. ME *slide* slip of wood. & SHEATH]

skier (shē'er), n. Person using SKI (cf. SKYER). [-ER¹]

skiff, n. Light rowing or sculling boat.
[f. F *esquif* prob. f. OHG *scif* SHIP]

skill'ful, a. Having or showing skill (*at, in*), practised, expert, adroit, ingenious. Hence **~LY**² adv. [*coll.*, -FUL]

skill, n. Expertness, practised ability, facility in doing something, dexterity, tact. [f. ON *skil* discernment (*skilja* to separate). cf. Sw. *skil* reason]

skilled (-ld), a. Having or showing skill, skilful, (rare exc. in phrr. ~ *labour, workman*, etc., = trained, or followed by *in*).
[**-ED**]²

skill'et, n. Small metal pot with long handle & usu. legs used in cooking. [*f.* 15th c., etym. dub.]

skill'less, a. (rare). Without skill, knowing nothing of. [-LESS]

skills, v.i. 3rd sing. impers. (arch.). *It ~ not*, makes no difference, is of no use, (usu. to do). [f. ON *skilja*, see **SKILL**]

|| **skill'y**, n. Thin broth or soup or gruel usu. of oatmeal & water flavoured with meat often served out in prisons, work-houses, etc. [earlier *skillygalee*, -*golee*, etym. dub.]

skim, v.t. & i. (-mm-), & a. 1. Take scum or cream or floating layer from surface of (liquid), take (cream etc.) from surface of liquid, (~ *the cream* off, often fig., take best part of; ~*ming-dish*, sl., flat-bottomed racing yacht, fast light motorboat); keep touching lightly or nearly touching (surface) in passing over, (intr.) go thus *over* or *along* surface, glide along in air; read (t. & i.) superficially, look over cursorily, gather salient facts contained in. 2. adj. ~ *milk*, from which cream has been ~med. [prob. f. OF *escumer* (*escume* SCUM)]

skimm'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: ladle etc. for skimming liquids; fast light motor-boat; kinds of water-bird, esp. *Black S~*. with flat mandibles. [-m¹]

skimp, v.t. & i. **Supply** (person with or in food, money, etc.; material, expenses, etc.) meagrely, stint; be parsimonious. Hence **~Y² a.**, **~ingly² adv.** [f. 19th c. only: cf. **SORING**]

skin, n. 1. Flexible continuous covering of human or other animal body (with a whole ~, unwounded; save one's ~, get off safe; change one's ~, undergo impossible change of character etc.; would not be in his ~, should not like to be he; is only ~ & bone, very thin, & so ~-thin, ~-thin n. 2; escape with the ~ of one's skin, narrowly; stick, skin, ~, imperviousness.

sensitiveness, to affront or criticism; *fair, dark, etc.*, ~, complexion; *near is my shirt, nearer my ~*; (Anat.) one layer of this (*true or inner ~*, derma; *outer ~*, epidermis). 2. Hide of flayed animal with or without the hair etc.; material prepared from ~s esp. of smaller animals (cf. *hide*). 3. Vessel for wine or water made of animal's whole ~. 4. Outer coating of plant, fruit, etc., rind. 5. Planking or plating of ship or boat inside or outside ribs. 6. GOLD-beaters' ~; ~bound, with ~ tightly stretched over flesh; ~deep, (of wound, also of emotion, impression, beauty, etc.) superficial, not deep or lasting; ~effect (Electr.), tendency of high-frequency alternating current to flow through the outer layer only of a conductor; ~friction, lateral resistance to way of ship etc. passing through water; ~ful (of wine etc., or abs.), as much liquor as one can hold; ~game (sl.), swindle; ~grafting, surgical substitution of ~ cut from another part or person for damaged part. Hence (-)skinned² (-nd), ~LESS, aa. [f. ON *skinn*, cogn. w. G *schinden* flay] **skin²**, v.t. & i. (-nn-). Cover (sore etc.), usu. over) as with skin, (of wound etc.) form or become covered with new skin, clothe, (usu. over); strip of skin, withdraw skin from, flay, (*keep your eyes ~ed*, sl., be watchful or cautious); (colloq.) strip oneself, strip (another), of tight garment such as jersey; (sl.) fleece, swindle; ~flint, niggard, miser. [f. prec.]

skink, n. Kinds of small-limbed lizard. [f. L f. Gk *skinkos*]

skinn'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., (now chiefly in name of a city company) dealer in skins, furrier. [-ER¹]

skip¹, v.i. & t. (-pp-), & n. 1. (Of lambs, kids, children, etc.) jump about, gambol, caper, frisk, move lightly from one foot on to the other; (of children, esp. girls) use ~ping-rope; shift quickly from one subject or occupation to another, be desultory, (usu. off, from, etc.); (sl.) make off, disappear; omit, make omissions, in dealing with a series or in reading (*do them all without ~ping any or ~ping; always ~ the descriptions; ~s as he reads; ~ every tenth row*); ~jack, jumping toy made of bird's merrythought, also kinds of fish & butterfly & beetle named from their movements; || ~ping-rope, length of rope with two wooden handles used in girls' game of ~ping; hence ~pingly² adv. 2. n. ~ping movement, esp. quick shift from one foot to other (HOR², ~, & jump). [f. Scand., cf. MSw. & Norw. *skippe* vb]

skip², n. College servant, scout, esp. at Dublin. [perh. f. obs. *skip-kennel* lackey (prec.)]

skip³, n. Captain or director of side at bowls & cueing. [perh. for SKIPPER²]

skip⁴, n. Cage, bucket, etc., in which men or materials are lowered & raised in mines & quarries. [var. of SKEP]

skipp'er¹, n. In vbl senses; esp., (Zool.) =SKIP¹jack. [-ER¹]

skipp'er², n. Sea captain, esp. master of small trading vessel; ~s daughters, (with pun on prec.) tall white-crested waves; captain of an aircraft; (transf.) captain of side in games. [f. MDu. *schipper* (ship SHIP¹, -ER¹)]

skipp'et, n. (hist.). Small cylindrical wooden box used to enclose and protect large seal attached by ribbon to deed. [?]

|| **skifl**, v.i., & n. (Make) sound characteristic of bagpipes. [Sc., prob. f. Scand.]

skifm'ish, n., & v.i. 1. Piece of irregular or unpremeditated fighting esp. between small or outlying parties, slight engagement; encounter of wit, argument, etc. 2. v.i. Fight in small parties, loose order, or unpremeditated way; hence ~ER¹ n. [n. f. vb, f. OF *eschermir* (-ER²) fence, f. OHG *scirman* (scirm, whence G *schirm* shelter); cf. *scrimmage*]

ski'rret, n. Kind of water parsnip formerly much used as table vegetable. [prob. f. OF *eschervis* var. of *carvi* CARAWAY]

skift, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Part of coat or shirt that hangs below waist; woman's outer garment shaped like petticoat from waist downwards (*divided ~*, loose trousers resembling ~), whence ~ING²(S) n.; (vulg. sl.) woman (esp. in bit of ~); edge, border, extreme part, (often pl.; *on the ~s of London*, just inside or outside of it); ~ of beef etc., the diaphragm & other membranes as cheap food-material; ~dance(r), ~dancing, with full ~ waved about giving graceful effects; hence ~ER², ~LESS, aa. 2. vb. Go along or round or past the edge of, be situated along; go along coast, wall, etc.; ~ing-board, along bottom of room-wall. [f. ON *skifra*; cogn. w. SHORT, & doublet of SHIRT]

skit¹, n. Light piece of satire, burlesque, literary squib, (often upon). [f. obs. *skit* shoot, dart, jump, perh. f. Scand., cf. ON *skjóta* SHOOT]

skit², n. (colloq.). A number, crowd (esp. in pl., heaps, lots). [etym. dub.; cf. U.S. *scads* in same sense]

skitt'er, v.i. (Of wild-fowl) go splashing along water in rising or settling; fish by drawing bait along surface. [as SKIP¹, -ER¹]

skitt'ish, a. (Of horses etc.) nervous, inclined to shy, excitable, playful, fidgety; (chiefly of women) capricious, coquettish, flirting, lively, given to amusement, gadding about, affecting youthfulness, wanton. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [as SKIP¹, -ER¹]

skit'tie, n., & v.t. 1. || ~s, game played

with nine pins (~s or ~pins) set up at end of ~alley or ~ground to be bowled down with ~ball (beer & ~s, amusement, as *life is not all beer & ~s*); (sl., as int.) ~sl, rubbish, nonsense. 2. v.t. ~out, (Cricket) get (batemen) out rapidly in succession. [formerly also *kittlepins*; etym. dub.]

skive, v.t. Split or pare (hide, leather); grind away surface of (gem). [f. ON *skifa*]

skiv'er, n. Knife for skiving leather; thin leather got by skiving. [-ER¹]

|| **skivv'y**, n. (colloq.). Female domestic servant (usu. derog.). [?]

skū'a, n. Kinds of gull, esp. the *Great S*~, largest of gull kind, chiefly dark-coloured. [f. ON *skúfr*]

skülk, v.i. Lurk, keep oneself concealed esp. in cowardice or with evil intent, stay or sneak away in time of danger, shirk duty, avoid observation. Hence ~ER¹ & (in same sense) **skülk**, n., ~INGLY² adv. [f. Scand., cf. Da. *skulke*, Norw. *skulka*]

sküll, n. Bony case of the brain, frame of the head, cranium, (~ & cross-bones, representation of bare ~ with two thigh-bones crossed below it as emblem of death); ~cap, close-fitting cap usu. of velvet worn indoors chiefly by old men, also kinds of plant with helmet-shaped flower. Hence (~)ED² (-ld) a. [f. 13th c., etym. dub.]

skunk, n. Black white-striped bushy-tailed American carnivorous animal about size of cat able to emit powerful stench from liquid secreted by anal glands as defence; its fur; stinking or contemptible fellow. [f. Amer.-Ind. *segongw*]

Skup'shtina (-dóp-), n. Jugoslav parliament. [Serb., = assembly]

ský, n., & v.t. 1. (The vault of) heaven (*blue, clear, cloudy, overcast*, etc., ~; *if the ~ fall we shall catch larks*, unlikely cataclysms are not worth providing against; *under the open ~*, out of doors; often pl., as *loud to the skies*, highly; *was raised to the skies*, taken up to heaven). 2. Climate, atmosphere, (*try what a warmer ~*, *warmer skies, will do for you*). 3. ~blue a. & n., coloured like clear ~; ~born, poet., of divine birth; ~clad, joc., naked; ~high adv. & a., so as to reach, reaching, the ~; ~lark n., lark that flies spirally upwards [singing, v.i. (with pun on LARK^{1,2} & perh. of naut. orig., w. ref. to clambering about rigging), frolic, play tricks or practical jokes, ballyrag, etc.; ~light, window set in plane of roof or ceiling; ~line, outline of hill etc. defined against ~ (*is on the ~line*, seen outlined on ~); ~pilot, sl., parson; ~rocket, discharged upwards; ~sail, light sail above royal in square-rigged ship; ~scape, picture chiefly representing ~; ~scraper, joc., = ~sail, also building of many storeys, tall chimney, etc.;

writing, legible smoke-trails made as advertising method by aeroplane; hence ~ER¹, ~LESS, aa., ~WARD(s) adv. & a.

4. v.t. Hit (cricket-ball) high up; hang (picture) high on wall, treat picture of (artist) so. [earlier sense *cloud*; f. ON *sky* cloud, cf. OE *scéo*]

Skýe (tē'rier), n. Small long-bodied short-legged long-haired slate or fawn coloured variety of Scotch terrier, named from Skye.

ský'er, n. High hit at cricket (cf. SKIER). [*sky* + -ER¹]

slāb², n., & v.t. (-bb-). 1. Thin flat usu. square or rectangular piece of stone or other rigid material; (of timber) outer cut sawn from log; ~sided, long & lank; ~stone, kinds of stone that split readily into ~s. 2. v.t. Remove ~s from (log, tree) to prepare it for sawing into planks; ~bing-gang, set of saws for doing this. [f. 13th c., etym. dub.]

| **slāb**², a. (arch.). Viscous, (of liquid) thick & sticky, (chiefly w. ref. to *Macheth* IV. i. 32). [f. prov. E *slab* puddle, cf. Icel., Sw., & Norw., *slabb* mud]

slabber. = SLOBBER.

släck, a., adv., n., & v.t. & i. 1. Sluggish, remiss, relaxed, languid, loose, inactive, negligent, (~ *water*, about turn of tide, esp. low tide; ~ *in slays*, Naut., slow in going about; a ~ *rope*, not taut; *keep a ~ hand* or *rein*, ride, or fig. govern, carelessly; ~ *trade*, *business*, *market*, with little doing; ~ *weather*, inclining to indolence); ~lime, slaked lime; hence ~ER¹ v.t. & i., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. adv. (In comb. w. *dry*, *bake*, etc.) slowly, insufficiently, (~ *dried hops*; to ~ *bake bread*). 3. n. ~ part of rope (*haul in the ~*); ~ time in trade etc.; (colloq.) spell of inactivity or laziness (*I'm going to have a good ~ this afternoon*); (dial.) cheek, impertinence; (pl.) trousers; [perh. f. G *schlacke* SLAG] coal-dust used chiefly for making briquettes etc. 4. vb. ~en; make loose (rope; often *off*, *away*); (colloq.) take a rest, be indolent, whence ~ER¹ n.; = SLAKE (lime); ~ *off*, abate vigour; ~ *up*, reduce speed of train etc. before stopping. [OE *slac*, cogn. w. LAX; & cf. ON *slakr*]

slåg, n., & v.i. (-gg-). 1. Dross separated in fused state in reduction of ores, vitreous smelting-refuse, clinkers; volcanic scoria; ~wool, = mineral wool; hence ~g'y² (-g-) a. 2. v.i. Form ~, cohere into ~like mass. [f. MLG *slagge*, whence Sw. *slagg*, cf. G *schlacke*, cogn. w. prec.]

slain. See SLAY.

släke, v.t. Assuage, satisfy, (thirst, & rhet. revenge etc.), whence ~LESS (-kl-) a. (poet.); (also *slack*) combine (lime) chemically with water. [var. of SLACK]

slä'lom (-ah-), n. Ski-race down course defined by artificial obstacles. [Norw.]

slām, v.t. & i. (-mm-), & n. 1. Shut (& i., of door etc.; often *so* adv.) with loud

bang; put down (object) with similar sound; (sl.) hit, beat, gain easy victory over. 2. n. Sound (as) of ~med door; gaining of every trick in whist, bridge, etc. (*grand, little, ~*, winning of 13, 12, tricks in bridge). [perh. f. Scand., cf. Norw. *slamba*, imit.]

slander (-ah-), n. & v.t. 1. False report maliciously uttered to person's injury; uttering of such reports, calumny; (Law) false oral defamation (cf. LIBEL, SCANDAL); hence or cogn. ~OUS a., ~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n. 2. v.t. Utter ~ about, defame falsely; hence ~ER¹ n. [f. OF *escandire* f. L *scandalum*]

slang, n., & v.t. 1. Words & phrases in common colloquial use, but generally considered in some or all of their senses to be outside of standard English; words & phrases either entirely peculiar to or used in special senses by some class or profession, cant, (*racing, thieves', artistic, schoolboy*, etc., ~). 2. v.t. Use abusive language to. [cant word, etym. dub.]

slang' [y, a. Of the character of, given to the use of, slang. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-y¹]

slant (-ah-), v.i. & t., a., & n. 1. Slope (l. & t.), diverge from a line, lie or go obliquely to a vertical or horizontal line; hence ~INGLY² adv., (loc. on perpendicular) ~ING(d)ic'ular or ~endic'ular a. 2. adj. (chiefly poet.). Sloping, inclined, oblique. 3. n. Slope, oblique position, (on the or a ~, slant), whence ~WISE (-ahntwiz) adv.; || (arch.) indirect censure, disparaging remark; (Naut.) a ~ of wind, favourable breeze; ~way of regarding a thing, point of view. [f. ON (Norw. *slent* n. side-slip, *slenta* vb)]

slap, v.t. (-pp-), n., & adv. 1. Strike with palm of hand, smack; (part. as adj. & adv.) very fast, big, good, etc. (a ~ping pace, great girl, dinner). 2. n. Such stroke (~ in the face lit., also fig. rebuff, insult). 3. adv. With the suddenness or effectiveness or true aim of a blow, suddenly, just quite, full, (*ran ~ into him; hit me ~ in the eye*). 4. ~bang', violently, noisily, headlong; ~dash' adv., vehemently, recklessly; ~dash, (adj.) impetuous, random, happy-go-lucky, (n.) such action or work, also ~roughcast, (v.t.) ~ROUGHcast; ~up a. (sl.), quite up to date, in the latest fashion, with all modern appliances. [imit., cf. LG *slapp* sounding blow]

***slap'jack**, n. Kind of pancake cooked on a griddle; = FLAPJACK. [SLAP v. + JACK]

slap'stick, n. Flexible divided lath used by harlequin; (fig.) bolsterous low comedy or the roughest kind. (also attrib.). [SLAP v. + STICK]

slash, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make sweeping or random cuts) with sword, knife, whip, etc. (~wing criticism, with outspoken long narrow gashes ~, with slits out to show

lining or puffing of other material); lash (person etc.) with whip, crack (whip); (Mil.) fell (trees) to form abatis. 2. n. (Wound or slit made by) ~ing cut; debris resulting from the felling or destruction of trees. [perh. f. OF *eschachier* break in pieces]

slat', n. Thin narrow piece of wood, esp. used in sets in Venetian blinds, lath. [f. OF *esclat* = *esclate*, see SLATE¹]

slat', v.i. & t. (-tt-). (Of sails, cordage, etc.) flap against mast etc. with reports; strike noisily with or on a surface. [f. SLAT¹, or imit.]

slate', n., a., & v.t. 1. Kinds of grey, green, or bluish-purple rock easily split into flat smooth plates; piece of such plate used as roofing-material; piece of it usu. framed in wood used, by school-children, small shopkeepers, etc., for writing on with ~pencil or small rod of soft ~ (clean the ~, rid oneself of or renounce obligations); ~black, -blue, -grey, modifications of these tints such as occur in ~; || ~club, mutual benefit society with small weekly contributions; ~colour(ed), (of) dark bluish or greenish grey; hence slat'y² a. 2. adj. (Made) of ~. 3. v.t. Cover with ~s esp. as roofing; hence slat'ER¹ n. [f. OF *esclat(e)* (now *éclat*) f. *eschaler* shiver in pieces, etym. dub.]

slate', v.t. (colloq.). Criticize severely (esp. author in reviews), scold, rate. Hence slat'ING¹(1) n. [f]

slatt'ern, n. Sluttish woman. Hence ~LY¹ a., ~LINESS n. [perh. for *slattering* (dial. *slatter* be wasteful)]

slaughter (-awt-), n., & v.t. 1. Slaying, esp. of many persons or animals at once, carnage, massacre, (~ or massacre of the INNOCENTS); ~house, shambles, place for killing cattle or sheep, place of carnage; hence ~OUS a. (rhet.), ~OUSLY² adv. 2. v.t. Kill (people) in ruthless manner or on great scale; butcher, kill for food; hence ~ER¹ n. [f. ON *slidr* meat, cogn. w. SLAY]

Slav (-ahv), n. & a. 1. One of a race spread over most of Eastern Europe and including Russians, Bulgarians, Illyrians, Poles, Silesians, Pomeranians, Bohemians, etc.; hence ~PHIL, ~OPROBE, nn. & aa., ~ISM(2, 3) n., (-ahv-). 2. adj. Of the ~s, Slavonic, Slavonian. [earlier *Sclava* f. med. L *Sclavus*, late Gk *Sklabos*, f. Slavonic]

slave, n., & v.i. 1. Person who is the legal property of another or others and is bound to absolute obedience, human chattel (WHITE ~); helpless victim to or of some dominating influence (is a ~ to drink, the ~ of his wife's caprices, etc.; the ~s of fashion); drudge, person of no leisure; mean contemptible person. 2. ~bangle (of gold, glass, etc., worn by ladies above elbow); ~born (in slavery, of ~ parents); ~driver, overseer of ~s at

work, (transf.) hard taskmaster; ~
grown, (of commodities) produced by ~
labour; ~holder, owner of ~s; ~hunter,
person who hunts esp. Negroes to sell
them as ~s; ~ship, employed in ~trade;
~ States, southern States of N. America
in which slavery prevailed before civil
war; ~trade, procuring, transporting,
& selling as ~s, of human beings, esp.
African Negroes; so ~trader. 3. v.t.
Work like ~, drudge. [f. OF *esclave* f.
med. L *sclavus* Slav captive, see prec.]

slāv'er¹, n. Ship or person engaged in
slave-trade. [-ER¹]

slāv'er², v.t. & t., & n. 1. Let spittle flow
from mouth; let one's spittle fall upon
(garment etc., or another's cheek in kiss-
ing). 2. n. Spittle running from mouth,
(fig.) fulsome or servile flattery; hence
~y¹ [-Y¹] a. [f. Scand. (Icel. *slafur* n.,
slafra vb), cf. LG *slabbern*]

slāv'er³, n. Condition of a slave; slave-
holding; exhausting labour, drudgery.
[-ERY]

|| slāv'ey, n. (sl.; pl. ~s). Maid-servant,
esp. in lodgings or boarding-house. [-Y³]

Slā'vic (-ah-), a. & n. (Language) of the
Slavs, Slavonic. [-IO]

slāv'ish, a. As of, having the character-
istics of, slaves, abject, servile, base, (~
imitation, without any attempt at de-
velopment or originality). Hence ~LY¹
adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

Slavon'ian, a. & n. (Language, member)
of the Slav race; (inhabitant) of the
former Austrian district Slavonia. [f.
med. L *S(c)lavonia* country of Slavs, -AN]

Slavon'ic, a. & n. (Language) of the
Slavs. Hence ~IZE(3) v.t. [as prec., -IO]

*slaw, n. Salad of sliced cabbage. [Du.
sla, shortened f. *salade* salad]

slay, v.t. (*slew* pr. -ō, *slain*). Kill (chiefly
poet., rhet., or joc.; often abs., as *went*
forth ~ing & spoiling). Hence (-)~ER¹ n.
[OE *slēan*, cf. Du. *slaan*, G *schlagen*,
strike]

slēaz'y, a. (Of textiles, & rarely transf.)
filmy. [f. 17th c. etym. dub.]

slēd, slēdge¹, sleigh (slā), nn., & vv. i. &
t. 1. Vehicle on runners instead of wheels
for conveying loads or passengers esp.
over snow drawn by horses or dogs or
reindeer or pushed or pulled by hand,
toboggan, (*slēd* now little used in Eng-
land except of structure on runners for
dragging loads in agriculture; *sleigh*
chiefly of runner-carriage for driving over
snow; *sledge* in all senses); *sleigh-bell*, one
of the tinkling bells often attached to
harness of ~horse etc. 2. v.v. i. & t.
Travel, go, convey, in ~. [*slēd* f. MDu.
slēde cogn. w. *sladen*; *sledge* f. MDu.
slēdece; *sleigh* (-gh arbitrary) shortened f.
slēd, cf. Du. *slēe* for *slēde*]

slēdge², n. (Also ~hammer) blacksmith's
large heavy hammer (~hammer often
attrib. & fig., as ~hammer blow

menis, *style*). [OE *slēcg* (*slēan* smite,
SLAY), cf. Du. *slagge*]

sleep, a., & v.t. 1. Smooth & soft & glossy
(of hair, fur, skin, or animal or person
with such hair etc.); hence ~LY¹ adv.,
~NESS n. 2. v.t. Make ~ esp. by stroking
or pressing down. [var. of SLICK, ME
slīke, cf. OE *slician* & Icel. *slíkja* make ~]
sleep¹, n. Bodily condition, normally re-
curring every night & lasting several
hours, in which nervous system is in-
active, eyes are closed, muscles relaxed,
& consciousness nearly suspended, pro-
longed similar condition of hibernating
animals, (BEAUTY ~; in one's ~, while
asleep; the ~ of the just, sound; ~ that
knows not breaking, death; broken ~, with
disturbed intervals; go to ~, fall asleep);
fall on ~, arch. go to ~, fig. die); a
period of or single indulgence in ~ (*shall*
try to get a ~); (fig.) rest, quiet, negligence,
death, etc.; ~walker, ~walking, somnam-
bulist, -ism. Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY¹
adv., ~LESSNESS n. [OE *slēp*, cf. Du.
slap, G *schlaf*, cogn. w. LG *slaf*, G
schlaff, loose]

sleep², v.i. & t. (*slēpt*). 1. Be immersed in
sleep, fall or be asleep, (*let ~ing dogs lie*,
avoid stirring up trouble; ~ like a log or
top, soundly; ~ on, upon, over, a ques-
tion, leave it till tomorrow; ~ the clock
round²). 2. Spend in or affect by ~ing
(~ the hours away; *slēpt off his vexation*,
headache, debauch). 3. Be inactive or dor-
mant (*sword ~s in the scabbard*; top ~s,
spins so steadily as to seem motionless;
~ing partner, not sharing management).
4. Lie in the grave. 5. Sojourn for the
night at, in, etc.; have sexual intercourse
with. 6. Provide ~ing accommodation for
(*lodging-house ~s 300 men*). 7. ~ing-
bag, for ~ing out of doors in; ~ing-
carriage), railway wagon provided with
beds; ~ing-draught, oplate; ~ing-sick-
NESS; ~ing-suit, pyjamas. [OE *slāpan*,
cf. Du. *slāpen*, G *schlafen*, & see prec.]

sleep'er, n. In vbl senses; also, || wooden
beam or piece of other material used as
support for rails etc.; = SLEEP²ing-car.
[-ER¹]

sleep'y, a. Drowsy, ready for sleep;
habitually indolent, unobservant, etc.;
without stir or bustle (*a ~y little town*);
(of fruit, esp. pears) insipid & dry with
incipient decay; ~yhead, ~y or inatten-
tive person (esp. in voc.); ~y SICKNESS.
Hence ~ily¹ adv., ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

sleet, n., & v.i. imper. 1. Hail or snow
falling mixed with rain. 2. vb. *It ~s* etc.,
~ falls. Hence ~Y¹ a., ~INESS n. [f.
14th c.; cf. G *schlössen* hailstone]

sleeve, n. 1. Part of garment that covers
arm (LAWN ~s; LEE-OF-mutton ~; mander-
in ~, loose & open below elbow; *lough in*
one's ~, slyly, secretly; *have card, pen,*
etc., up one's ~, in reserve, concealed
but ready for use; *turn, roll, up one's ~s*,

prepare to fight or work; wear one's **HEART** upon one's ~). 2. Tube enclosing rod or smaller tube. 3. = **WIND¹ sock**. 4. ~**coupling**, tube for connecting shafts or pipes; ~**fish**, kind of cuttlefish, squid; ~**link**, two buttons linked for fastening wrist-band; ~**nut**, long nut with right-hand & left-hand screw-threads for drawing together pipes or shafts conversely threaded; ~**valve** (in the form of a cylinder with sliding movement). Hence (-)**sleeve²** (-vd), ~**LESS** (-vl-), aa. [OE *slefe*, *slif*, cf. MDu. *slove*, *sloof*, covering] **slight**. See **SLED**.

slight (slit), n. Dexterity, cunning, deceptive trick or device or movement, (arch.); ~**of-hand**, juggling, legerdemain, prestidigitation, quickness of hand in fencing etc. [f. ON *sléðh* (sléðr **SLY**, -TR¹)]

slender, a. Of small girth or breadth, slim, not stout, (~ *stem*, *waist*, *pillar*, *girl*, *hand*); scanty, slight, meagre, inadequate, relatively small, (~ *hopes*, *means*, *store*, *income*, *acquaintance with subject*, *foundations for belief*). Hence ~**LY²** adv., ~**NESS** n. [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

slept. See **SLEEP¹**.

sleuth-hound (-lōd-, -lū-), n. Blood-hound (lit. & fig.); also **sleuth**, esp. U.S.) detective. [*sleuth* var. of **SLOT²**]

slew¹, **slue**, (slō), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Turn or swing forcibly or with effort out of the forward or ordinary position (often *round*, *to the left*, etc.). 2. n. Such change of position. [naut. wd, etym. dub.]

slew². See **SLAY**.

slice, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Thin broad piece or wedge cut off or out esp. from meat, bread, or cake; share, part taken or allotted, (a ~ *of territory*, *of the profits*, etc.); kinds of implement with thin broad blade e.g. (also *fish-*) for helping fish, (also ~*bar*) for clearing furnace-bars of clinker, or for lifting things out of frying-pan etc. 2. vb. Cut (often up) into ~s, out (piece) off adv. or prep., go through (air etc.) with cutting motion; make incorrect slicing motion with oar (also trans. ~ *the water*) or golf-club (also trans. ~ *the ball*, hit it a glancing blow so that it curves off to the right of a right-handed player). [vb f. n., f. OF *escioe* splinter (*esclicor* f. OHG *slāan*, G *schleissen*, oegn w. **SLIT**)]

slick, a. & adv. (colloq.), & v.t. 1. Dextrous, not marred by bungling, carried smoothly through. 2. adv. Directly, exactly, completely, (*came ~ into the middle of them*; *hit him ~ in the eye*; *bowed his middle stump ~ out of the ground*). 3. v.t. Make sleek. Hence ~**LY** n., plausible cheat, (also) waterproof coat. [var. of **SLICK**]

slide¹, v.t. & i. (*slīd*). 1. Progress along smooth surface with continuous friction on same part of object progressing (cf. **ROLL**; *slid sliding down a grass slope*; *piston ~s*

noiselessly up & down), make move thus (~*s the drawer into its place*). 2. Glide over ice on both feet without skates with momentum got by running (~*e over delicate subject*, barely touch upon it); glide, go smoothly along. 3. Go without interference (*let things ~e*, be negligent). 4. Go unconsciously or by imperceptible degrees (~*es into sin*; ~*e from one note to another in music*). 5. ~**ing door**, drawn across aperture on slide instead of turning on hinges; || ~**ing keel**, CENTRE-board; ~**ing**, ~*e*, rule, graduated, with ~**ing** part for doing certain mathematical processes automatically; ~**ing scale**, schedule for automatically varying one thing (esp. tax, wages, prices) in direct or inverse proportion to fluctuations of another; ~**ing seat**, mounted on runners esp. in racing boats to lengthen rower's or sculler's stroke. Hence ~**ER¹** (1, 2) n., ~**ABLE** a. [OE *slīdan*, cf. **SLED**]

slide², n. 1. Track on ice made by persons sliding; slope prepared with snow or ice for tobogganing. 2. Act of sliding. 3. Inclined plane down which goods etc. slide to lower level, chute. 4. (Also ~*way*) part(s) of machine on or between which sliding part works. 5. Part of machine or instrument that slides, (also ~*valve*) sliding piece that opens and closes aperture by sliding across it. 6. Thing slid into place, esp. glass holding object for microscope or magic-lantern picture. [f. prec.]

slight¹ (-it), a. Slender, slim, frail-looking, (*saw a ~ figure approaching*; *supported by a ~ framework*); a or some inconsiderable (*has a ~ cold*; *took a ~ repast*; *have made a ~ inquiry*, some ~ *inquiries*, into it); not much or great or thorough, inadequate, scanty, not even the smallest, (*after ~ inquiry*; *did it with ~ inconvenience to himself*; *there is not the ~est excuse for it*; a conclusion based on very ~ observation; a structure raised on ~ foundations; *paid him ~ attention*). Hence ~**ISH¹** (2) a., ~**LY²** adv., ~**NESS** n., (-it-). [cf. ON *sléðr*, Du. *slécht*, G *schlecht* bad, *schlicht* smooth]

slight² (-it), v.t., & n. 1. Treat or speak of (person, branch of study, etc.) as not worth attention, fall in courtesy or respect towards, markedly neglect; hence ~**INGLY²** (-it-) adv. 2. n. Marked piece of neglect, omission of due respect etc., (*put a ~ upon, slight*). [f. prec.]

slily. Var. of **SLIM**.

slim, a., & v.t. (-mm-). 1. Of small girth or thickness, slenderly built, of slight shape; (f. S.-Afr. Du.) clever in stratagem, crafty, unscrupulous. 2. v.t. Reduce one's figure by dieting and exercises. Hence ~**LY²** adv., ~**NESS** (2) a., ~**NESS** n. [Du., = *slly*, bad, cf. G *schlimm* bad, cunning]

slime, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Fine oozy mud or other substance of similar consistence,

e.g. liquid bitumen or mucous exudation of fish etc.; ~gland in molluscs etc., secreting ~; ~pit, of liquid bitumen.

2. vb. Cover with (esp. of snake preparing prey for gorging); ||(sl.) get through, away, past, out of it, etc., by physical or moral slipperiness. [OE *slīm*, cf. Du. *slīm*, G. *schleim*, also L. *limus* mud]

slim¹ [y, a. Of the consistence of slime; covered or smeared with or full of slime; slippery, hard to hold; cringingly dishonest; repulsively meek or flattering. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [-r²]

sling¹, v.t. & i. (*slung*), & n. 1. Throw (rare; ~ink, sl., be an author or journalist, write); hurl (stone etc.) from ~, use ~, whence ~er¹ n.; suspend with ~, allow to swing suspended, arrange so as to be supported from above, hoist or transfer with ~; ~cart, in which load is slung from axletree; *slung shot*, metal ball attached by thong etc. to wrist & used esp. by criminals as weapon. 2. n. Strap or string used with the hand to give impetus to small missile; kinds of apparatus used to support hanging weight, e.g. injured arm, rifle, ship's boat, goods being transferred; ~dog, one of pair of hooks used to grapple goods for hoisting. [vb f. ON *slýngva*, cf. G. *schlingen* entwine, twist; n. cogn., but prob. f. various Teut. nn.]

sling², n. (chiefly U.S.). Kind of toddy (esp. gin~). [?]

slink¹, v.i. (*slunk* or rarely *slank*, *slunk*). Go in secretive manner or with guilty or ashamed or sneaking air (usu. off, away, by, etc.). [OE *slincan* creep, cf. G. *schlinken*]

slink², v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of animal) miscarry, produce (young, or abs.) prematurely. 2. n. Animal, esp. calf, so born; its flesh; ~butcher, who deals in ~. [perh. = prec., perh. var. of SLING¹]

slip¹, v.i. & t. (-pp-). 1. Slide unintentionally for short distance, lose footing or balance or place by unintended sliding, (~ped in the mud or over the edge and fell; blanket ~ped off bed; foot ~s out of stirrup, ring off finger). 2. Go with sliding motion (as the door closes the catch ~s into place; ~ along, sl., go at great speed; ~ into, sl., pummel, belabour, eat heartily of). 3. Escape restraint or capture by being slippery or hard to hold or by not being grasped (eel, opportunity, ~ped through his fingers; let reins ~ out of his hands; let ~ the dogs of war, poet., begin war). 4. Make way unobserved or quietly or quickly (how time ~s away!; ~ by, past; ~ out of the room; ~ off or away, depart without leave-taking etc.; just ~ across to the baker's; errors will ~ in). 5. Make careless mistake (~s now & then in his grammar). 6. Let go from restraint of some kind (~ greyhounds, from leash; ~ anchor, detach ship from it; cow ~s its

calf, produces it prematurely). 7. Pull (garment etc.) hastily on, off. 8. Insert stealthily or casually or with gliding motion (~ped half a crown into the porter's hand, a white powder into her glass, the papers into his pocket, a marker between the pages). 9. Escape from, give the slip to, (dog ~s his collar, prisoner his guard; the point had ~ped my attention). [ME, = escape, glide, prob. f. MLG *slippen*; & cf. OE *slipor* SLIPPERY]

slip², n. 1. Act of slipping, blunder, accidental piece of misconduct, (a ~ on a piece of orange-peel may be fatal; there's many a ~ 'twixt the cup & the lip, nothing is certain till it has happened; give one the ~, escape from him; ~ of the tongue, pen, thing said or written accidentally for something else; a few ~s in youth are inevitable). 2. Kinds of loose covering or garment, e.g. pillow-case, under bodice, petticoat, pinafore. 3. Leash for slipping dogs, device for suddenly loosing clip or attachment. 4. Artificial slope of stone as landing-stage; inclined plane on which ships are built or repaired. 5. Long narrow strip of thin wood, paper, etc., printer's proof on such paper. 6. Cutting taken from plant for grafting or planting, scion, (a ~ of a boy, slim boy). 7. One of the fielders (short, long, ~) stationed for balls glancing off bat to off side behind batsman; (sing. or pl.) this part of ground (was caught in the ~s or at ~). 8. (Without pl. or article) semifluid clay for coating or making pattern on earthenware. 9. (Theatr.; pl.) part from which scenes are slipped on, part where actors stand before entering. 10. pl. Bathing-drawers. 11. Small sole (flat-fish). 12. Loss of distance travelled by aircraft arising from nature of medium in which its propeller revolves. [chiefly f. prec.; sense clay f. OE as in COWSLIP; senses action, strip, prob. f. MDu. *slippe* strip]

slip-, comb. form of SLIP¹, ². || ~carriage, railway carriage on express for casting loose at station where rest of train does not stop; ~cover, of calico etc. for furniture out of use; ~galley, long narrow tray for holding composed type; ~hook, with contrivance for loosening it readily at need; ~knot, that can be undone by a pull, also knot that slips up & down string & tightens or loosens loop; ~rope, with both ends on board so that casting loose either end frees ship from moorings; ~shod, having shoes down at heel, slovenly, (fig., of speech, writing, speaker, writer, method of work, etc.) negligent, careless, unsystematic, casual, loose in arrangement; ~slop, = ~shod (fig.), (as n.) ~shod writing etc., also (as redupl. of slop) washy stuff lit. or fig., weak drink, slops, sentimental talk or writing; ~stream, stream of air driven astern by aircraft's propeller(s); ~up n. (colloq.),

blunder; ~way, shipbuilding or landing slip.

slipp'er, n., & v.t. 1. Loose comfortable indoor shoe (*HUNT¹ the~; bed~, ~shaped BBD¹-pan,* whence ~ED¹ (-erd) a.; skid or shoe placed under wagon-wheel as drag; person who slips greyhounds in coursing-match; ~bath, shaped like ~, with covered end; ~wort, *calceolaria*. 2. v.t. Chastise (child etc.) with ~; hence ~ING¹ (1) n. [-ER¹]

slipp'er'y, a. (Of ground) hard to stand on, causing slips by its smoothness or muddiness, (fig., of subject) requiring tactful handling; (of object or person) hard to hold firmly owing to polish or sliminess or elusive motion, (fig.) unreliable, incalculable, shifty, unscrupulous. Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. OE *slipor* slippery (cf. *slip¹*), -Y²]

slipp'y, a. Slippery (vulg.); look or be ~ (sl.), look sharp, make haste. [-Y²]

slit, v.t. & i. (*slit*), & n. 1. Cut or (t. & i.) tear lengthwise, make long incision or rent in, cut into strips, (*threatened to ~ his nose, tongue, etc.*; ~ one's *weasand*, cut his throat; ~ *hide into thongs, sheet of metal into strips or rods; if you strain it too hard it will ~; has ~ my coat-sleeve from shoulder to wrist*); ~ting-rollers, ribbed pair fitting into each other & ~ting metal sheet by pressure. 2. n. Long incision; ~down narrow opening comparable to cut (*a ~ is provided for the coin to drop through; the windows are mere ~s; the ~s on the neck are gill-openings*); ~trench, narrow trench for soldier or weapon. [ME *slitten* (w. change of vowel) f. OE *slitan*, cf. Du. *sliten* wear out, G. *schleusen* & *schlitzen* slit; cogn. w. *slit*]

slith'er (-dh-), v.i. (colloq.). Slide unsteadily, go with irregular slipping motion. [var. of obs. *slidder*, OE *slidrian*, cf. *slide* & OE *slidor* slippery]

sliv'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Piece of wood torn from tree or timber, splinter, (vb, break t. & i. off as ~, break t. & i. up into ~s). 2. (In fishing) side of small fish cut off as bait (vb, cut ~s from). [f. obs. *slives* vb f. OE *slifan* split + -ER¹]

slöbb'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Run at the mouth in infantile helplessness or maudlin emotion; wet (clothes, other person in kissing) with saliva; do (task) badly, botch, bungle. 2. n. Running saliva; maudlin talk, emotion, or kisses; hence ~Y² a., ~INESS n. [cf. Du. *slobberen* be messy]

slöb'ice, n. (Newfoundland). Floating ice mixed with snow. [f. *slöb* = *slab²*]

slöe, n. (Small bluish-black wild plum, fruit of) *black-thorn* (~gin, liqueur of ~s steeped in gin). [OE *slöe*, cf. Du. *slas*]

[*slas* = worm. Var. of *slow-worm*.]

slög, v.i. & t., (acc.), & n. 1. Hit (t. & t.) hard & wildly, as in boxing & at cricket; walk or work carelessly (acc. on, away);

hence ~g'ER¹ (-g-) n. 2. n. Hard random hit. [f.]

slög'an, n. Highland war-cry; party cry, watchword, motto; short catchy phrase used in advertising. [f. Gael. *sluagh-ghairm* (*sluagh* host, *ghairm* outcry)]

slöid, **slöyd**, n. A system (orig. Swedish) of manual training, esp. by means of wood-carving, used in schools. [f. Sw. *slöjd* skill, cogn. w. *slighter*]

slöop, n. Small one-masted fore-&-aft-rigged vessel with mainsail & jib, & usu. gaff topsail & forestaysail; || small warship used for general purposes & esp. for police work on foreign stations; || ~ of war (hist.), cutter-rigged ship mounting guns; ~rigged, rigged like ~. [f. Du. *slöep* perh. f., perh. the source of, F. *chaloûpe* *shallop*]

slout. Var. of *slut*.

slöp¹, n. (in pl. only), & v.i. & t. (-pp-). 1. (Pl.) dirty water or liquid, waste contents of kitchen or bedroom vessels; (pl.) liquid food, as broth, gruel, etc., non-alcoholic drinks; ~basin, for receiving dregs of cups at table; ~pail, for removing bedroom ~s. 2. vb. Spill (t. & t.), (allow to) flow over edge of vessel, (often over, out) make mess with ~s (or with ~s as subj.) upon (clothes, floor); ~ over (fig.), gush, be maudlin. [earlier sense in sing. *puddle*; OE *slöppe* liquid droppings, cf. *slippe* in *cowslip*]

slöp², n. (in pl. only). (Arch.) wide knickerbockers; ready-made clothing, clothes & bedding supplied to sailors in navy; ~room, from which ~s are issued aboard ship; ~seller, ~shop, of ready-made clothes. [f. ON *slöppr* gown (cf. OE *oferlopp* upper garment)]

|| **slöp²**, n. (sl.). Policeman. [= *eclopp* (*police* spelt backwards)]

slöpe, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Inclined position or direction, the having of one end or side at higher level than the other, difference in level between two ends or sides of thing, the lying in a line neither parallel nor perpendicular to level ground or a line serving as standard, (*there is always a certain ~ in a ship's deck; cut this side straight & the other with a ~ to the right; the whole ~ may amount to 2 ft*); piece of rising or falling ground, incline; position of soldier with rifle ~d (*come to the ~*); hence ~WISE (-pwiz) adv. 2. vb. Have or show ~, lie or tend obliquely esp. to ground level, slant esp. up or down, whence *slöp'ingly²* adv.; place or arrange or make in or at a ~ (~ *arms, place rifle at a ~ over shoulder; must ~ the sides of the pit*); (sl.) make off, go away, also saunter, walk about. [n. & v. 17th & 18th c. formations f. obs. or arch. adj. *slope*, which was perh. for *sloper* p.p. of *slip*, or perh. for *slöfren*]

slöpp'y, a. (Of road) wet with rain, full of puddles; (of floor, table, etc.) wet with

- slopes, having water etc. spilt on it; (of work) unsystematic, not thorough; (of sentiment or talk) weakly emotional, maudlin. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [SLOP¹, -Y¹]
- slôsh**, n., & v.t. 1. =SLUSH. 2. v.t. (sl.). Beat, thrash. [see SLUSH]
- slôt¹**, n., & v.t. (-t-). 1. Groove, channel, slit, or long aperture, made in machine etc. to admit some other part, esp. slit for penny or other coin that sets working a ~machine or automatic retailer of small wares; stage trapdoor. 2. v.t. Provide with ~s. [f. OF *esciot* hollow of the breast, etym. dub.]
- slôt²**, n. Track of deer etc. esp. as shown by footprints. [f. AF & OF *esciot* hoof-print prob. f. ON *slôdh* trail, cf. SLEUTH-ROUND]
- slôth**, n. 1. Laziness, indolence, whence ~FUL a., ~FULLY¹ adv., ~FULNESS n. 2. Kinds of S.-Amer. mammal with curved long-clawed feet living entirely in trees & capable only of very slow motion on ground. 3. ~bear, large-lipped black shaggy honey-eating bear of India & Ceylon; ~monkey, kind of loris. [ME *slouthe* (SLOW, -TH¹)]
- slouch**, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Droop, hang down negligently; go or stand or sit with loose ungainly attitude; bend one side of brim of (hat) downwards (opp. cock); hence ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing attitude or walk, stoop, downward bend of hat-brim (opp. cock); (sl.) incompetent or slovenly worker or operator or performance (esp. is no ~ at this show etc. is no ~); ~ hat, with ~ed brim. [cf. Icel. *slókr* ~ing fellow, etym. dub.]
- slough¹** (slow), n. Quagmire, swamp, miry place, (the S~ of Despond, state of hopeless floundering in sin). Hence ~y¹ [-Y¹] (-owl) a. [OE *slôh*, etym. dub.]
- slough²** (sluf), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Snake's cast skin, any part that an animal casts or moults; dead tissue that drops off from living flesh etc.; (fig.) habit etc. abandoned; hence ~y¹ [-Y¹] (sluff) a. 2. vb. Drop off (t. & i.; often off, away, esp. in intr. sense) as ~; cast off ~. [cf. LG *sluce* husk]
- Slôv'ák**, n. & a. (Member) of a formerly Hungarian Slavic people. [Boh.]
- slô'ven** (-trv-), n. Personally untidy or dirty, careless & lazy, or unmethodical person. Hence ~LY¹ a., ~LINESS n., ~LY¹ adv. (arch.), ~RY n., (-trv-). [perh. f. Du. *slaf* careless + ~in -AN]
- Slovène'** (or slôv'), n., Slovén'ian, a. & n. (Member) of a southern Slavic people in Jugoslavia; (-ian) language of the Slovenes. [G, f. OSlav. (*slavo* word), whence also SLAV]
- slow** (-s), a., adv., & v.i. & t. 1. Not quick, deficient in speed, taking a long time to traverse a distance or do a thing, (~ & steady wins the race; ~ & sure, haste is risky; ~ march, of troops in funeral procession etc.; ~ music), gradual (~ growth, progress), whence ~LY¹ (-ôll) adv.; tardy, reluctant, lingering, (was not ~ to defend himself), not hasty or easily moved (is ~ to anger); (of clock etc., usu. pred.) behind correct time (is 20' ~); dull-witted, stupid, (is ~ of speech, of wit); deficient in interest or liveliness, dull, tedious, (entertainment was voted ~); (of a photographic lens) of small aperture (and so necessitating long exposure); (of surfaces) tending to cause ~ness (a ~ pitch, tennis-court, billiard-table); ~coach, person ~ in action, dull of wit, or behind the times in opinions etc.; ~match, ~burning for igniting explosives; ~motion, (attrib., of a film) with the number of exposures per second greatly increased (~ing down the motion when projected at the normal rate); ~worm, see foll.; hence ~NESS (-ôn-) n. 2. adv. (~er, ~est). At ~ pace, ~ly, (being ousted by ~ly, but still common when the adv. & not the vb gives the essential point, as how ~ he climbs!, please read or go ~ or ~er, watch goes ~, cf. I saw a man climb ~ly up; placed always after vb exc. in excl. with how or in comb. with part. as ~going, ~moving). 3. vb. Reduce one's speed, reduce speed of (train, ship, etc.), (usu. down, up, off). [OE *slôw*, cf. Du. *sleep*(uw), Sw. *slô*, & perh. L *laevus* & Gk *laos* left]
- slow-worm** (slôw'wôrm), n. Small harmless reptile between snakes & lizards, blindworm. [OE *slô-wyrme*, cf. MSw. *slô*, Norw. *slô*, slow-worm]
- slôyd**. See SLOID.
- slûb**, n., & v.t. (-bb-). 1. Wool slightly twisted as preparation for spinning. 2. v.t. Twist thus. [f.]
- slûbb'er**, v.t. & i. Do carelessly or bunglingly; slaver, slobber. [cf. Da. *slubbe*, G *schlubbern*, & SLOBBER]
- slûdge**, n. Thick greasy mud; sewage. Hence slûdg'y¹ a. [see SLUSH]
- slue**. See SLEW¹.
- slûg¹**, n., & v.i. (-gg-). 1. Kinds of shell-less small destructive to small plants; (vb) collect & destroy ~s in garden etc. 2. Bullet of irregular shape; roundish lump of metal; line of type in linotype printing. [sense 1 f. obs. n. = SLUGGARD; sense 2 either f. 1 w. ref. to shape, or as 1 w. ref. to weight]
- *slûg²**, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. = SLOG. [cf. SLOG]
- slûg'abêd**, n. (arch.). Person who lies late in bed. [as foll., ARBD]
- slûgg'ard**, n. Lazy sluggish person. [f. obs. *slug* be slothful f. Scand., + ARD]
- slûgg'ish** (-gi-), a. Inert, inactive, torpid, indolent, slow-moving, (a ~ stream, ~ action, ~ temper, person). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [obs. also SLUGGARD, -TH¹]

sluice (-ōbs, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Also ~gate, -valve) sliding gate or other contrivance for changing level of a body of water by controlling flow into or out of it, floodgate; water above or below or issuing through floodgate; (also ~way) artificial water-channel; a rinsing. 2. v.b. Provide with ~(s); flood with water from ~; rinse; pour or throw water freely upon; (of water) rush out etc. (as) from ~. [f. OF *eschuse* f. LL *exclusa* floodgate (orig. fem. p.p. see EXCLUDE)]

sluit (-ōbt), **slōōt**, n. (S. Africa). Narrow water-channel. [Du. *sloot* ditch]

slūm¹, n., & v.i. (-mm-). 1. Dirty back street or court or alley in city. 2. v.i. Go about the ~s to visit or examine condition of inhabitants; hence ~m'ER¹ n. [cant wd, etym. dub.]

slūm², n. Non-lubricating part of crude oil; gummy residue formed in lubricating oil during use. [?]

slūm'ber, v.i. & t., & n. Sleep (distinguished in sense only by an implication of comfort or ease, which is not invariable, e.g. *fell into a troubled ~*; & in use by a rhet. or poet. tinge; the n. is often in pl., as *his ~s were interrupted by a knock*); ~away, waste (time) in ~; ~suit (shop), pyjamas. Hence **slūm'b(e)rous** a., **slūm'b(e)rously** adv., ~ER¹ n. [earlier sense *doze*; n. f. vb. f. ME *slumen* (*slume* n. f. OE *sluma*) + -ER¹; -b- as in NUMBER; cf. G *schlummern*]

slūmm'ock, v.t. & i. (colloq.). Swallow greedily, wolf down; move or speak in awkward disorderly way. [cf. dial. *slam-makin* sloven]

slūmp, n., & v.i. 1. Sudden or rapid or great fall in prices or diminution of demand for commodity or interest taken in subject or undertaking. 2. v.i. Undergo ~, fall in price, fall through, fall utterly. [earlier (17th-c.) sense *be bogged*; prob. imit., cf. FLUMP³]

slung. See SLING¹.

slunk. See SLINK¹.

slūr, v.t. & i. (-rr-), & n. 1. Write (t. & i.) or pronounce (t. & i.) indistinctly with letters or sounds running into one another; (Mus.) perform legato, mark (notes) as to be so performed; pass (fault, fact, etc.) lightly over, conceal or minimize; (arch.) put ~ upon (person, character), make insinuations against. 2. n. Imputation, blame, stigma, (*he put a ~ upon me*; *it is no ~ upon his reputation that he should have or to say that*); piece of ~ring in handwriting, pronunciation, or singing; curved mark used in music-writing to show that two or more notes are to be sung to one syllable or played or sung legato. [f. obs. *slur* thin mud, etym. dub.]

slūr'ry, n. Liquid mixture of materials for Portland cement manufacture; semi-fluid mixture of gasifier and fire-clay

used in repairing converter-linings etc. [as prec.]

slūsh, n. Watery mud or thawing snow (cf. SLUDGE); (fig.) silly sentiment. Hence ~y¹ a. [f. 17th c., w. varr. *sludge* & *slutch*, also 19th c. *slosh*; etym. dub.]

slūt, n. Slovenly woman, slattern; (joc.) girl. Hence ~t'ERY(4) n., ~t'ISH¹ a., ~t'ishly² adv., ~t'ishness n. [porb. f. Scand., cf. Sw. dial. *slåta*, Norw. *slott* idler]

slȳ, a. (~er, ~est). Cunning, wily, hypocritical; practising concealment (~dog, person who keeps his peccadilloes or pleasures quiet), done etc. in secret (*on the ~*, privately, without publicity); knowing, arch, bantering, insinuating, ironical; ~boots, ~person (in playful use, esp. to or of child or animal). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [ME *slēigh* f. ON *slægr*, perh. cogn. w. SLAY; cf. SLEIGHT]

slȳpe, n. Passage from cathedral transept to chapter-house or deanery. [var. of SLIP²]

smäck¹, n., & v.i. 1. Flavour, taste that suggests presence of something; barely discernible amount of some food-material etc. or of a quality etc. present in dish or person's character, tinge, tincture, spice, dash, of, (*has a ~ of ginger, of the cask, in it, of recklessness, of the old Adam, in him*). 2. v.i. Have a slight curious or unexpected or secondary taste (rare); taste slightly of, suggest by taste or otherwise the presence or effects of, (*wine ~ing of the cork; his manner ~ed of superciliousness*). [vb f. n., OE *smæc*, cf. G *geschmack* n., *schmecken* vb]

smäck², n., v.t. & i., & adv. 1. Slight explosive report as of surface struck with palm, of lips parted suddenly, or of whip cracked; blow with palm, slap; hard hit at cricket; loud kiss (*gave her a hearty ~*); *have a ~ at* (colloq.), make trial of (something), have a go at. 2. vb. Slap (person's face etc.) with palm; part (t. & i. of lips) noisily in eager anticipation or enjoyment of food or other delight; crack (t. & i. of whip). 3. adv. (colloq.). With a ~, in sudden direct violent way, outright, exactly, (*went ~ through windows, into ditch; hit him ~ on the nose*). [prob. imit., & unconnected w. prec.; cf. MDu. *smack* n., *smacken* vb]

smäck³, n. Sloop esp. for fishing; ~s¹man, sailor on ~. [f. MDu. *smack*, etym. dub.]

smäck'er, n. (sl.). Loud kiss; sounding blow; || large or remarkable specimen of anything; 'dollar. [SMACK¹, -ER¹]

small (-awl), a., n., & adv. 1. Not large, of deficient or comparatively little size or strength or power or number, consisting of minute units (~rain, (of agent) not doing thing on large scale, usu. without emotional implications of LITTLE, e.g. *not a dear ~ pony or a dirty ~ scoundrel*;

~ farmer, shopkeeper, on ~ scale; has a ~ voice; ~ FRY¹; ~ HOURS; ~ & early, party with few guests & not kept up late; the ~ still ~ voice, conscience; coal is ~ or too ~ for me; ~ craft, boats; came in ~ numbers; this beer is very ~, weak, watery). 2. (As distinctive epithet) of the ~er kind (~sword, rapier or sword for thrusting only; ~ beer, arch., of light kind); think no ~ beer of oneself, be conceited; chronicle ~ beer, talk of trifles as important; look, feel, ~, be humiliated; ~ change, copper & silver coins, (transf.) trivial remarks; ~ gross, ten dozen; ~ ARM's, portable fire-arms; ~ letters, not capitals; ~ capitals, of less height than the fount's regular capitals; ~ pica, size of TYPE; ~ hand, ordinary writing, opp. *text-hand*; || ~ debt, not above largest amount recoverable in county court; ~ clothes, arch., knee-breeches; || ~ holding, piece of land between one and fifty acres in extent let or sold by a county council to a ~ holder for cultivation. 3. Not much of (& ~ blame to him, & ~ wonder, comments on conduct etc. just described; there was no ~ excitement about it; has ~ Latin, knows little of it). 4. Unimportant, trifling, (~ talk, ordinary society conversation; the ~ worries of life; is great in ~ matters). 5. Socially undistinguished, poor, obscure, humble, (great & ~, all classes; lives in a ~ way, unpretentiously; have experimented with radium in a ~ way; ~ people love to talk of great). 6. Morally mean, ungenerous, petty, paltry, (his ~ spiteful nature; only a ~ man would think of that at such a time; I call it ~ of him to remind me of it), whence ~mind² a. 7. ~pox, highly contagious & fatal disease with fever & pustules; hence ~ISH¹(2) a., ~NESS n., (-awl-). 8. n. The slenderest part of something, esp. ~ of the back, hinder part of waist; || (pl., at Oxford) responsions; || (pl., colloq.) ~ articles of laundry. 9. adv. SING ~. [OE *smæl*, cf. Du., Da., & Sw. *smal*, G. *schmal*, thin] **small'age** (-awl-), n. Wild celery. [prec., F. *ache* f. L. *apium* parsley] **smalt** (-awl-), n. Glass coloured blue with cobalt; pigment made by pulverizing this. [F. f. It. *smalto* f. Teut., cogn. w. SMELT¹] || **smárm'ý**, a. (colloq.). Unctuously ingratiating, fulsome. (f. *smarm* var. of dial. *smalm* smooth down (as with grease), -Y¹) **smárt'í**, v.i., & n. 1. (Of person or part of him, or of wound lit. or fig. or the missile or insult etc. that has inflicted it) feel or give acute pain, rankle, (my finger ~s; rushed off ~ing with nettle-stings, under disappointment, etc.; with the gibe yet ~ing in his brain; ~ for, be paid out for, suffer consequences of, esp. as threat you shall ~ for this). 2. n. Bodily or mental sharp pain, stinging sensation.

3. ~money, paid or exacted as penalty or compensation; ~weed, the Water Pepper. [OE *smeorlan*, cf. Du. *smarten*, G. *schmerzen*; cogn. w. L. *mordere* bite, Gk. *smerdaleos* terrible]

smárt'í, a. 1. Severe, sharp, vigorous, lively, brisk, (gave him a ~ rap over the knuckles; had a ~ skirmish, walk, bout of toothache; went off at a ~ pace). 2. Clever, ingenious, showing quick wit or ingenuity, keen in bargaining, quick to take advantage, (a ~ talker, retort, saying, device, invention; a ~ officer, servant, lad, ready & intelligent; ~ dealing, selfishly clever to verge of dishonesty); unscrupulously clever; ~ aleck), a would-be clever person. 3. Bright & fresh in appearance, spruce, in perfect order or repair, in gay or fashionable clothes, well groomed, showing bright colours or new paint, (~ clothes, a ~ garden; person, house, ship, looks quite ~). 4. Conspicuous in society, leading the fashion, stylish, (~ people; the ~ set). Hence ~EN¹ v.t. & i., ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *smart*, cf. prec.]

smásh, v.t. & i., n., & adv. 1. Break (t. & i.) utterly to pieces (often up), shatter, bash in with crushing blow, (a ~ing blow, of irresistible force); utterly rout & disorganize (enemy); hit (lawn-tennis ball) downwards over net with great force; (of business firm) break, go bankrupt, come to grief; (of vehicle etc.) crash into another or an obstacle; (sl.) utter false coin; ~and-grab raid (in which thief ~es shop-window and grabs valuables behind it). 2. n. Breaking to pieces; violent fall or collision or disaster (go to ~, be spoilt or disorganized or ruined); ~ing stroke in lawn tennis (see vb); violent blow with fist etc.; bankruptcy, series of commercial failures; drink of spirit & water laced & flavoured (usu. brandy-~); ~up, complete ~. 3. adv. (With vbs of motion) with a ~ (went ~ into a goods train). [prob. imit.]

smásh'er, n. In vbl senses; esp. (sl.), convincing argument or smashing blow or heavy fall. [-ER¹]

|| **smáitch**, n. (now rare). = SMACK¹ n.

smátt'er'ing, n. Slight superficial knowledge of a language or subject. So ~EN¹ n. [f. obs. *smaller* talk ignorantly, prate, earlier (14th c.) defile, etym. dub.]

smear, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Daub with greasy or sticky substance or with something that stains, (of grease etc.) make marks on, make a ~; blot, obscure outline of, (writing, drawing); defame, sully. 2. n. Blotch made by ~ing; hence ~Y¹ a., ~INESS n. [OE *smearian* (smear) n., lat. cf. G. *schmecken*; cogn. w. Gk. *muron* ointment]

sméc'tite, n. Kind of whitish clay used for taking out grease from cloth etc. [f. Gk. *sméktis* fuller's earth (*smad* wipe), -ITE¹(2)]

|| **smeech, smitch**, n. (dial.). Smell of burning or smouldering. [OE *smēc*, *smīc*, cogn. w. *smoke*]

smēg [ma, n. Sebaceous soaplike secretion in folds of the skin, esp. of the prepuce. Hence ~mā't' to a. [f. Gk *smēgma* -atos soap (*smēkhō* = *smad* see SNECITE, -X)]

smēll, n., & v.t. & i. (*smell* or rarely ~ed). 1. Nasal sense by which odours are perceived (~ is less acute in man than in most animals; has a fine sense of ~; is perceptible to ~ as well as sight); quality in substances that affects this sense, odour, (*has no, a sweet, pungent, disgusting, peculiar, close, ~; the ~ of thyme, carrion*); bad odour, whence ~y¹ a. (colloq.); act of inhaling in order to ascertain ~ (*take a ~ at it*); hence ~LESS a. 2. v.b. Perceive ~ of, detect presence of by ~, (*am sure I ~ gas; horses smell the water a mile off; ~ a rat*, fig., suspect foul dealing etc.); whence ~ARL a.; inhale ~ of, set one's sense of ~ to work at (*smell it or at it to see if it was high; came up & smell at my calves*); (of dog) hunt out by ~, (fig. of person) find out (secret, plotter, etc.) by investigation, (of dog or fig. of person) sniff or search about; perceive ~s, have sense of ~ (*can, do, fishes ~?*); emit ~ usu. of kind specified by adj. or adv., suggest or recall the ~ of, (*flowers that do not ~; ~s sweet, nice, disgustingly, of garlic, of brandy; ~ of the lamp*, seem to have been composed laboriously at night; ~ of the shop, be over-technical; ~ of jobbery, nepotism, etc., suggest these); stink, be rank; seem from the ~ to be (*dish, milk, ~s good, sour*); ~ing-bottle, pocket phial of ~ing-salts, ammonium carbonate mixed with scent to be sniffed as cure for faintness etc. [ME *smell(en)*, excl. E]

smēll'er, n. In vbl senses; also (sl.): the nose; severe blow esp. on the nose. [-ER¹]

smēlt¹, v.t. Extract metal from (ore) by melting; extract (metal) from ore by melting. [cf. Da. *smelte*, G *schmelzen*, & the prob. connected MELT¹]

smēlt², n. Small fish allied to salmon & prized as food. [OE, cf. Du. *smelt*, G *schmelte*, sand-seal]

smelt³. See SMELL

smew, n. Kind of fishing duck. [also *smee*, *smeach*, etym. dub.]

smil'ax, n. Genus of climbing shrubs some of which yield sarsaparilla; a Cape vine much used in decoration. [L f. Gk]

smile, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Relax features often by parting lips into pleased or kindly or gently amused or indulgently contemptuous or sceptical expression or forced imitation of these, look (upon or at) with such expression, (~s sweetly, indulgently, cynically, bitterly; ~s at the claims of, ridicule or show indifference to them), whence ~ing¹ adv.; express by ~ing (~s welcome, consent, appreciation, etc.);

give a ~ of specified kind (~ed on ironical, a curious, ~e); drive (person's vexation etc.) away, bring (person) into or out of a mood, by ~ing; come up ~ing, face fresh difficulty (w. ref. to boxer beginning new round); be or appear propitious, have bright aspect, seem to look propitiously (upon), (fortune, occasion, ~es on us; all nature looks ~ing & gay). 2. n. Act of ~ing, ~ing-expression or aspect; hence ~e'LESS (-l-l-) a. [cf. MHG *smielen*]

smifch, v.t., & n. Stain, soil, smear, spot, (lit., & fig. as a ~ed reputation). [perh. f. OF *esmorcher* torture, brand]

smifk, v.i., & n. (Put on or wear) affected or silly smile, simper. [OE *smerekan*, excl. E]

smite, v.t. & i. (*smite* & arch. *smitt*, *smitten* & arch. *smīt*), & n. 1. Strike, hit, (chiefly arch. or joc.; *whosoever shall ~ thee on thy right cheek; smote his hands together; smote the harpstrings; ~ off his head; smote the first ball for four; an idea smote him*, suddenly came); inflict severe defeat on (~ them hip & thigh, utterly defeat them; we hope to ~ them); chastise (*God shall ~ thee; his conscience smote him*); (chiefly in p.p.) strike or seize or infect or possess with disease or desire or fascination (*city, person, smitten with plague, palsy; am smitten with her charms or her or abs.; smitten with a desire to*); come forcibly or abruptly (upon) (*wave smote upon the cliff; sun's rays smiling upon him; sound ~s upon the ear*); hence *smit'er*¹ n. 2. n. (colloq.). Blow, stroke, attempt. [OE *smītan*, cf. Du. *smijten*, G *schmeissen* (OHG *smītan* to stroke, smear)]

smith, n. Worker in metal esp. one who forges iron, blacksmith, (the gen. sense chiefly in comb., as *gold, silver, tin, white, ~*). [OE cf. Du. *smid*, G *schmied*]

smithereens¹ (-dher'ens), **smith'ers** (-dh-), nn. pl. Small fragments (*smash etc. to or into ~*). [19th c. only, etym. dub.; -een Ir. dim. ending]

smith'er'y, n. Smith's work; (esp. in Admiralty dockyards) smithy. [-ERY]

Smith'field, n. (Used for the London meat market. [~ in London])

smi'thy (-dhi), n. Blacksmith's workshop, forge. [f. ON *smidhja*, cf. obs. E *smithie* f. OE *smiththe*]

smitten. See SMITE.

smock, n., & v.t. 1. Chemise (arch.); child's overall; ~-frock, field-labourer's outer linen garment of shirtlike shape & with upper part closely gathered; ~-mill, windmill of which the cap only & not the body revolves. 2. v.t. Adorn with smocking. [OE *smoc* (*smūgan* creep into), cf. OHG *smoccho*]

smock'ing, n. Honeycomb ornamentation on garment of which the basis is close gathers as on smock-frock. [-ING¹]

smoke¹, n. 1. Volatile products of com-

bustion, esp. visible vapour with carbon etc. in suspension emitted by burning substance (a *column*, *cloud*, of ~; *end*, *go up*, in ~, come to nothing; *no ~ without rain*; *from ~ into smother*, from one evil to another or a worse; *like ~*, al., without check or difficulty, rapidly, easily). 2. Spell of tobacco-smoking (*must have a ~*). 3. (sl.). Cigar(ette). 4. ~-ball, projectile filled with material emitting dense ~ used to conceal military operations etc., also ball used in trap-shooting & giving puff of ~ when struck, also medical appliance for inhaling vapour from in asthma etc.; ~-bell, suspended over lamp etc. to protect ceiling; ~-consumer, apparatus for utilizing instead of releasing ~ of furnace or fireplace, & so ~-consuming a.; ~-dried, cured in ~; ~-jack, machine for turning roasting-spit by use of current of hot air in chimney; ~-plant, ~-tree, ornamental shrub with feathery ~-like fruit-stalks; ~-rocket, contrivance for injecting ~ into drain to discover leak; ~-screen (Mil., Nav.), ~ diffused to hide operations; ~-stack, funnel & steam-escape pipes of steamer; ~-stone, cairngorm. Hence ~-LESS (-kl-) a., ~-LESSLY adv., ~-LESSNESS n. [OE *smoca*, cf. *sméocan* to smoke; cogn. w. Du. *smook*, G. *schmauch*]

smōk(e), v.i. & t. 1. Emit smoke or visible vapour, reek, steam, (*allars ~*; *his ~ing blade, steeds*; *meat ~ing on the board*; *lamp is ~ing*, not burning clear), (of chimney or fire) discharge smoke into room. 2. Colour or darken or obscure, spoil taste of in cooking, preserve or cure, suffocate, rid of insects etc., with smoke (*lamp ~es ceiling*; ~ed wood, fumed; ~ed glass, darkened with smoke for looking at sun etc.; *the porridge is ~ed*; ~ed ham, haddock, etc.; ~e insects, plants, kill, cleanse, them by fumigation; ~e out wasps, wasps'-nest, etc., destroy by injecting smoke). 3. Inhale & exhale smoke of (tobacco-pipe, cigar, cigarette, tobacco, opium, stramonium, cane, brown paper; *put that in your pipe & ~e it*, reflect upon what has been said, esp. some admonition or rebuke), whence ~-ABLE a.; ~e tobacco (~es too much or like a chimney; *will you ~e?*), bring oneself into specified state by ~ing (*has ~ed himself ill, sick, stupid, into tranquillity*). 4. Get inkling, become suspicious or aware, of; || (arch.) quizz, make fun of, (person etc.). 5. || ~e-room, ~ing-room; ~ing-cap, ~-jacket, of ornamental kind worn while one ~es; ~ing-carriage or compartment, reserved for smokers on railway-train; || ~ing-concert, concert at which ~ing is allowed; ~ing-mixture, blend of tobaccos for ~ing in pipe; ~ing-room, in hotel or house kept for ~ing in (~ing-room talk etc., esp. such as is suited for men only); ~ing-tobacco (esp. for use in pipes). [OE *sméocan* (prec.)]

smōk'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: person who habitually smokes tobacco (~'s heart, throat, ailments due to excessive smoking); smoking-carriage on train; || smoking-concert. [-æz]

smōk'y, a. Emitting, veiled or filled with, obscure (as) with, stained with or coloured like, smoke (a ~y fire, city, room, hue, ceiling). Hence ~-ILY adv., ~-INESS n. [-ɪz]

smōlt, n. Second-year salmon at stage between parr & grilse after development of silvery scales. [cf. OE *smolt* serene]

smōōth¹ (-dh), a. 1. Of relatively even & polished surface, free from perceptible projections or lumps or indentations or roughness or (of liquid) undulations, not wrinkled or pitted or scored or hairy, that can be traversed without check, (~ skin, surface, morocco, brow, chin; *am now in ~ water*, have passed obstacles or difficulties; *bring the paste to a ~ consistence*; *had a ~ passage*, across sea; *course of true love never did run ~*; ~ hair, esp. flattened down on head). 2. Free from harshness of sound or taste (~ verse, with easy & correct rhythm; ~ claret, spirit, etc.; ~ breathing in Gk Gram., unspirited sound of initial vowel, also symbol of this). 3. Equable, unruffled, polite, conciliatory, complimentary, flattering, (~ temper, manners; ~ face, esp. hypocritically friendly, whence ~-faced² a.; ~ things, esp. flattery or insincere encouragement, whence ~-SPOKEN, ~-tongued², aa.). 4. ~-bore, gun with unrifled barrel. Hence ~-LY² adv., ~-NESS n., (-dh-). [OE *smōdh* (rare, usu. *smēdhe*); excl. E.]

smōōth¹ (-dh), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make smooth (often out, over, down, away; ~ over or away differences, perplexities, difficulties, etc., reduce or get rid of in fact or appearance); free from impediments or discomfort (~ the way; *will ~ his declining years*); cloak over faults etc.; become smooth (usu. down; *sea presently ~ed down*). 2. n. ~ing touch or stroke (*gave his hair a ~*); ~ing-iron, implement usu. heated to ~ linen etc.; ~ing-plane, small plane for finishing the planing of wood. [f. prec.]

smote. See SMITE.

smō'ther (-dh-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Smouldering ashes etc. (arch.; *from the smōks¹ into the ~*); cloud of dust, spray, smoke, etc., or obscurity caused by it (rare). 2. vb. Suffocate, stifle, kill by stopping breath of or excluding air from, (~ed mate in chess, when king having no vacant space to move to is checked by knight); overwhelm with kisses, gifts, kindness, etc.; put out or keep down (fire) by heaping with ashes etc.; suppress, conceal or secure concealment of, keep from notice or publicity, hush, (often up; ~ a guess;

with ~ed curses; the facts, the recommendations of the committee, were ~ed up; cover entirely in (strawberries ~ed in cream); (rare) perish of suffocation, have difficulty in breathing. [vb f. n., ME *smother* (OE *smorian* stifle, cf. Du. *smoren* stifle, stew, G *schmoren* stew, + agent-suf. -*ther*)]

smothery (-údh-), a. Stifling. [-Y²]

smoulder (smól-), v.i., & n. 1. Burn without flame, burn inwardly or in suppressed way or unseen; (of feelings etc.) exist, operate, be nursed, undetected or without conspicuous effects (~ing discontent, hatred, rebellion). 2. n. ~ing combustion (the ~ will soon be a flame). [n. f. vb, ME *smolderen* (obs. *smolder* n. smoke), etym. dub.]

smudge¹, **smutch** (arch.), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Smear or blot or blur lines of (writing, drawing); make dirt-mark or confused blot or smear on (face, paper, surface); (usu. -*ch*) defile, sully, stain with disgrace, impair purity of, (person's record, fame, etc.); (of ink, drawing, etc.) become blurred (*smudges easily*). 2. n. Dirt-mark lit. or (esp. -*ch*) fig., blotted line, blurred mark; hence **smüdg'Y² a.**, **smüdg'ily² adv.**, **smüdg'iness n.** [-ge older as vb (1430), -*ch* as n. (1530); etym. dub.]

smudge², n. Outdoor fire with dense smoke made to keep off insects etc. [?]

smüg, a. & n. 1. Of commonplace respectable narrow-minded self-satisfied comfortable unambitious unimaginative character or appearance; hence ~**NESS** n. 2. n. (chiefly univ. sl.). || Person ill fitted for society or without athletic pursuits or interests. [?]

smüg'gile, v.t. Import or export (goods, or abs.) illegally, esp. without payment of customs duties (often *in, out, over*), whence ~**ER**¹, ~**ING**¹, nn.; convey secretly *in, out, etc.*, or put away etc. into concealment. [f. LG *smuggeln*]

smüt, n., & v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. (Spot or smudge made by) small flake of soot; *ditto*, *brother* ~ (nursery etc.), tu quoque retort to criticism; obscene talk or words or stories; disease of corn by which parts of the ear change to black powder; ~**ball**, kinds of fungus; ~**mill**, machine for cleansing grain from ~; hence ~**T'Y² a.**, ~**T'ily² adv.**, ~**T'iness n.** 2. vb. Mark with ~(s); infect (corn) with, (of corn) contract, ~. [cf. Sw. *smuts* dirt, G *schmutz* dirt, the corn-disease]

smutch. See **SMUDGE**.

Smyrn'iot(e) (-ér-), a. & n. (Native or inhabitant) of Smyrna. [-or²]

snäck, n. Slight or casual or hurried meal; go ~s, go shares (~s!, claim to share). [orig. sense *snaps* n. & v. (of dog), cf. MDu. *mae* n., *snacken* vb, *snap*]

snäff'ile¹, n. Bridle consisting of ~s-bit, or plain slender jointed bit without curb, & single rein; *ride one on the ~s* (fig.),

manage him gently. Hence ~**ED**² (-ld) a. [cf. Du. *snavel*, G *schnabel*, mouth, beak] || **snäff'ile**², v.t. (sl.). Appropriate, purloin, pinch. [?]

snäg, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Jagged projecting point, e.g. irregular or broken tooth, stump of branch remaining on tree, pointed root or stump poking out of ground, piece of rough timber or rock embedded in river or sea bottom & impeding navigation; (fig.) unexpected obstacle or drawback; hence ~**GED**² (-gd), ~**G'Y² (-gl)**, aa. 2. v.t. Run (ship) on ~; clear (land, waterway, tree-trunk) of ~s. [prob. f. Scand. (Norw. *snag* spike)]

snail, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Kinds of slimy slow-creeping gasteropod mollusc, most of them with spiral shell & horns or retractile eye-stalks, some used as food esp. in France, whence ~**ERY**(3) n., & many destructive in gardens (*Roman* ~, the chief edible kind; ~'s *gallop, pace*, very slow locomotion); (also ~*wheel*) notched wheel in clock resembling ~ in outline determining number of strokes in striking the hours; (also ~*clover, trefoil*) kinds of leguminous plant including lucerne with spiral pods; ~*fish*, with ventral sucker for clinging; ~*slow*, slow as a ~; hence ~**LIKE** a. 2. vb. Rid (garden) of, hunt for, ~s. [OE *snægl*, cf. OHG *snegil*, ON *snigill*]

snäke, n., & v.i. 1. Serpent (commoner in ordinary speech, more loosely applied so as to include ~like lizards etc., & specially used of the common British harmless kind; ~ *in the grass*, hidden danger or secret enemy; *warm, cherish, etc.*, a ~ *in one's bosom*, meet with ingratitude or receive evil for good; *SCOTCH*² the ~; see ~s, have delirium tremens; *raise or wake* ~s, make disturbance, start violent quarrel; *S~l*, int. of anger). 2. Treacherous cold-hearted person. 3. ~*bird*, fish-eating bird with long slender neck; ~*charmer*, ~*charming*, see **SERPENT**; ~*fence* (of horizontal tree-trunks only, laid zigzag with overlapping ends to support each other); ~*lizard*, kinds of lizard with rudimentary or no legs; ~*locked*, with ~s instead of hair; ~*root*, one of several American plants having roots reputed to be ~poison antidotes; ~*shead*, the fritillary plant; ~*stone*, ammonite; ~*weed*, bistort; ~*wood*, (wood of) a S.-American timber-tree from its ~like markings). 4. v.i. Move, twist, etc. like a ~. [OE *snaca*, cf. MLG *snake*, ON *snäkr*, Sw. *snok*]

snäk'ly, a. Infested with snakes; snake-like in appearance or in such attributes as venom, guile, coldness, ingratitude; ~*y hair* (of the Furries with snakes for hair). Hence ~**INESS** n. [-Y²]

snäp, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Make sudden audible bite (*dog ~ped viciously*; ~ *at*, try to bite, also speak irritably to; ~ *at*

ball, offer, chance, etc., accept eagerly, (fig.) say ill-tempered or spiteful things (~ out, say irritably), whence ~p'ish¹ a., ~p'ishy² adv., ~p'ishness n.; bite off (~ off one's nose, esp. fig. interrupt him angrily or rudely). 2. Pick up (scraps, or fig. bargain etc.) hastily, whence ~p'ish-up n.; take up (interlocutor) without letting him finish. 3. (Cricket) catch (batsman) smartly at the wicket. 4. Break (t. & l.) with sharp crack (~ the string, a stick; oar, wire, ~s). 5. Produce report from, emit report or crack, (~ pistol, whip; ~ one's fingers, make audible filip esp. at person etc. in contempt; pistol ~s, either in going off or in missing fire); close (t. & l.) etc. with ~ping sound (~ the clasp, one's teeth together; the door ~ped to). 6. Take instantaneous photograph of (esp. unconscious or unwilling subject). 7. ~ into it (sl.), start moving quickly; ~ into it (sl.), get rid of a mood, habit, etc. 8. ~ping turtle, ferocious American freshwater kind. 9. n. Act or sound of ~ping (also quasi-adv., as ~ went an oar). 10. Spring-catch fastening bracelet etc. 11. || Kinds of small crisp cake. 12. A card-game. 13. (Usu. cold ~) sudden spell of frost. 14. Crispness of style, fresh vigour or liveliness in action, go, dash, spring, whence ~p'y² a. (make it ~py, colloq., be quick about it). 15. = ~shot n. (see below). 16. ~ (sl.). Easy task (esp. soft ~). 17. (Theatr.) short engagement as actor. 18. attrib. (Esp. of parliamentary or other deliberative proceedings) taken by surprise, brought on without notice, etc. (a ~ division, debate, crisis, vote, etc.). 19. ~bolt, ~lock, going home automatically with spring on closing of door etc.; ~dragon, kinds of plant with bag-shaped flower that can be made to gape, antirrhinum, also Christmas game of plucking raisins from dish of burning brandy; ~hook, ~link, with spring allowing entrance but barring escape of cord, link, etc.; ~shot n., shot taken with little or no delay in aiming; ~shot, (n.) instantaneous photograph taken with hand camera, (v.t., also ~shoot) take such photograph of. [f. MLG *snappen* (snavel beak), cf. G *snappen*]

snare, n., & v.t. 1. Trap for catching birds or animals, esp. one made with cord; (Surg.) wire loop for catching & extracting polyp etc.; device for tempting enemy or dupe to expose himself to capture, defeat, failure, disgrace, loss, etc.; thing that acts as a temptation (popularity is often a ~); (pl.) twisted strings of gut or hide stretched across lower head of side-drum to produce rattling sound. 2. v.t. Catch (bird etc.) in~, whence (-)snare² n.; get (person) into ~ (less common, & with more of the lit. sense, than ensnare). [f. ON *snaru*, cf. Du. *snaar* string]

snark, n. Chimerical animal of ill-defined characteristics and potentialities. [from *The Hunting of the Snark* by 'Lewis Carroll' (1876)]

snarl¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of dog) make high-pitched quarrelsome growl; (of person) speak cynically, make ill-tempered complaints or criticisms; ~ out, utter in ~ing tone; express (discontent etc.) by ~ing; hence ~er¹ n., ~ingly² adv. 2. n. Act or sound of ~ing; hence ~y² a. [frequent. of earlier *snar*, cf. MHG & MLG *snarren* (G *schnarren*)]

snarl², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Twist, entangle, become entangled, (a ~ed skein, intricate business); adorn exterior of (narrow metal vase) with raised work made by indirect internal hammering with ~ing-iron. 2. n. Knot, tangle. [frequent. of **SNARE**]

snatch, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Seize quickly, eagerly, or unexpectedly, esp. with suddenly outstretched hand(s), rescue narrowly from, secure with difficulty, carry suddenly away or from, (~ed his gun up, down; wind ~ed my cap off; child ~es its food; ~ kiss, opportunity, etc.; was ~ed from the jaws of death; ~ a half-hour's repose; ~ victory out of defeat; ~ed away, from us, by premature death); shoot out hand(s) at to seize (also fig., as ~ at offer, take it eagerly); ~block (Naut.), block with hinged flap admitting rope to sheave. 2. n. Act of ~ing (made a ~ at it); (usu. pl.) fragment(s) or short burst(s) of song or recitation or talk, short spell(s) of action (only works by ~es, fits & starts), whence ~y² a., ~ily² adv. [ME *snacchen*, etym. dub.; perh. cogn. w. **SNACK**, **SNACK**]

sneak, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Slink, go furtively, (often in, out, past, round, about, off, away, etc.), whence ~ers n. pl. (sl.), silent shoes; (part.) furtive, not avowed, (have a ~ing kindness for him, an affection that one cannot justify by reason); || (school sl.) peach, tell tales; (sl.) make off with, steal; hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. Mean cowardly underhand person; || (school sl.) informer, telltale; (Cricket) ball bowled along the ground; ~thief (stealing from open doors or windows). [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

|| **snæck**, n., & v.t. (chiefly Sc.). Latch. [ME (n.), perh. cogn. w. **SNACK**, **SNATCH**]

sneer, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Smile derisively (often at); utter derisive words esp. of a covert or ironical kind (usu. at); put (person) down, out of countenance, etc., take away (person's reputation, happiness, etc.), by ~ing; hence ~er² n., ~ingly² adv. 2. n. ~ing look or remark. [earlier sense snort; cf. NFris. *sneer* a taunt, sneeze to scorn]

sneeze, v.i., & n. 1. Make explosive sound in involuntarily expelling anything that irritates interior of nostrils (not to be ~d

at, passable, not contemptible); ~ *into a basket* (euphem.), be guillotined. 2. n. Act or sound of sneezing. [ME *sneesen*, var. of *fneesen* (due to misreading of *f* as *s* when *fneese* had been made unfamiliar by substitution of *neese*) f. OE *ge-fneasan* cf. Du. *fneesen*, Gk *pnēō breathe*]

snick, v.t., & n. 1. Cut small notch or make small incision in; (Cricket) slightly deflect course of (ball) with bat. 2. n. Slight notch or cut; (Cricket) ~ing touch with bat. [?]

snick'er, v.i., & n. Whinny, neigh; = SNIGGER. [imit.]

snickersnee, n. (joc.). Knife, esp. one usable as weapon. [perh. f. obs. *stick-or-snee* a fight with knives, earlier *stick or snee*, f. Du. *steken thrust, snijen cut*]

snide, a. & n. (sl.). 1. Counterfeit, bogus. 2. n. ~ jewellery or coin(s); ~s'man, utterer of false coin. [cant word, etym. dub.]

Snid'er, n. (Also ~ *rifle*) early pattern of breechloading rifle. [inventor]

sniff, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Draw up air audibly through nose to stop it from running or as expression of contempt (~ at, try the smell of, also show contempt for or discontent with, also, of dog, show disposition to bite person's calves); draw up or up (air, liquid, scent), draw up scent of (flower, brandy, meat, etc.), into nose. 2. n. Act or sound of ~ing, amount of air etc. ~ed up. [imit.; f. 14th c.]

sniff'y, a. (colloq.). Disdainful, contemptuous; (of thing that should be odourless) slightly malodorous. [-r²]

sniff'ing-valve, n. Air-escape valve in steam-engine cylinder. [f. obs. *sniff* = SNIFF]

snigg'er (-g-), v.i., & n. (Give) half-suppressed secretive laugh esp. of cynical kind or of amusement at obscenity or indecency. [imit.; cf. SNICKER]

snig'gle, v.i. Fish for eels by pushing bait into hole. [f. dial. *snig eel*, etym. dub.]

snip, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Cut with scissors or shears esp. in small quick strokes (~ cloth, a hole; ~ off the ends; ~ at, make ~ping strokes at), whence ~ping² (2) n. 2. n. Act of ~ping; piece ~ped off; (colloq.) tailor; (Racing sl.) certainty (also dead ~). [cf. Du. *snippen*]

snipe, n. (collect. sing. usu. for pl.), & v.i. & t. 1. Kinds of gamebird with long straight bill & angular flight frequenting marshes (*common* or *whole*, *great* or *double* or *solitary*, *small* or *half* or *jack*, ~, British kinds); ~eel, ~flah, etc., kinds with long slender snout; hence *snip'y* a. 2. vb. Go ~shooting; (Mil.) fire shots from hiding usu. at long range into enemy's camp or at individuals, kill or hit thus, whence *snip'er* a. [cf. Icel. ~snipa; Da. *sneppe*, G *schneffe*]

snipp'et, n. Small piece cut off, snipping; (pl.) detached fragments of knowledge

or information, odds & ends, whence ~r² a., ~iness n. [-rr¹]

snip-snap-snap-um, n. A round card-game. [f. LG *snipp-enapp-enorum*]

sniv'el, v.i. (-ll-), & n. 1. Run at the nose; be lachrymose, affect contrition, show maudlin emotion; hence ~ler² n., ~ling² a. 2. n. Running mucus; whining & weeping; hypocritical talk, dant. [ME *snevelen* (OE *snoft mucus*)]

snób, n. || Man of low birth or breeding or social position (arch.); || (at universities & public schools; arch.) townsman; person with exaggerated respect for social position or wealth & a disposition to be ashamed of socially inferior connexions, behave with servility to social superiors, & judge of merit by externals, whence ~b'ish² a., ~b'ishly² adv., ~b'ishness, ~b'ery² (4, 5), ~ling² (2), ~óc'racy, nn. [earlier sense in dial. *cobbler's man*, etym. dub.]

snoek (-òk), n. (S. Afr.). Large edible sea-fish (cf. SNOOK¹). [Du.]

snòd, n. 1. (Sc. & literary) fillet worn by maidens in Scotland to confine hair, whence ~ed² a. 2. Any of the short lines attaching hooks to a main line in sea fishing. [OE *snòd*, etym. dub.]

snoók¹, n. Kinds of fish esp. the sea pike (cf. SNOEK). [f. Du. *snoek*]

snoók², n. (sl.). Contemptuous gesture with thumb to nose & fingers spread out (*cock, cut, make, a ~ or ~s; S~s!*, int. of contempt). [?]

snoók'er, n. Game on billiard-table combining pool & pyramids (~ed, having one's object-ball covered by another). [?]

snoóp, v.i. & t. (orig. U.S., colloq.). Pry into matters one is not concerned with; sneak around looking for infractions of the law; steal. Hence ~er² n. [f. Du. *snoepen* enjoy stealthily]

snooze, v.i. & t., & n. (Take) short sleep esp. in day-time; pass time in lazy indifference; ~ time etc. away, spend it indolently. [?]

snòr'e, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) hoarse rattling or grunting noise in breathing esp. during sleep; pass time away in ~ing; bring oneself awake, into a nightmare, etc., by ~ing. Hence ~er² n. [prob. imit.; cf. foll.]

snòrt¹, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) explosive noise due to sudden forcing of breath through nose & usu. expressing anger or indignation or incredulity, or (of steam-engine etc.) noise resembling this; express (defiance etc.) by ~ing (often out), throw out (words) with ~ing. [prob. imit.; cf. prec.]

Snòrt², n. Device for enabling submarines to take in air for engines & crew when submerged to periscope depth. [?]

snòrt'er, n. In vbl senses; also (sl.): boisterous gale; performance etc. conspicuous for vigour or violence. {-rr¹}]

snôt, *n.* (vulg.). Mucus of the nose (also of person as low term of abuse); ~rag, handkerchief. [OE *gesnot*, cf. Du. & Da. *snôt*; cogn. w. *snout*]

snött¹ [y, a. & n. 1. Running or foul with snout (vulg.; also as low abusive epithet); (colloq.) annoyed, short-tempered; hence ~ily² adv., ~iness *n.* 2. *n.* (nav. sl.). Midshipman. [-r²]

snout, *n.* Nose (& mouth) of animal or (derog.) human being; pointed front of something, nozzle, (~ of glacier, of battleship's ram, etc.); ~beetle, kinds with beaked head; ~ring, inserted in pig's ~ to prevent rooting. Hence (-)~ed² *a.* [cf. Du. *snuit*, G *schnauze*; cogn. w. OE *snytan* blow the nose]

snow¹ (-ô), *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Atmospheric vapour frozen into ice crystals & falling to earth in white flakes or spread on it as a white layer (red ~, ~plant, see below); (pl.) falls or accumulations of ~ (where are the ~s of last year?). 2. Substance etc. resembling ~ esp. in whiteness (her breast of ~; the ~s of seventy years, white hair; apple, chestnut, etc., ~, kinds of pudding); (sl.) cocaine. 3. ~ball, (*n.*) mass of ~ pressed into hard ball esp. for use as missile, || fund each subscriber to which finds *n.* others, || kinds of pudding e.g. apple enclosed in rice, (*v.t.* & *i.*) pelt or have pelting-match with ~balls; ~ball-tree, guelder-rose; ~berry, garden shrub with white berries; ~bird, kinds of white or partly white finch, esp. the ~ bunting; ~blind(ness), unable, inability, to see owing to exhaustion of retina by reflection of light endured in traversing ~fields etc.; ~blink, reflection in sky of ~ or ice fields; ~boots, over-boots of rubber & cloth; ~bound, kept from going out or travelling by ~; ~cap, white-crowned humming-bird; ~capped, (of mountain) covered at top with ~; ~drift, bank of ~ heaped by wind; ~drop, early spring white-flowered plant; ~fall, esp. amount of ~ that falls on one occasion or in a year at any place as measured by ~gauge; ~field, esp. permanent wide expanse of ~ in mountainous or polar regions; ~flake, one of the small collections of crystals in which ~ falls; ~goggles, darkened spectacles worn by mountaineers etc. to prevent ~blindness; ~goose, arctic white goose with black-tipped wings, the waxy; ~grouse, ptarmigan; ~ice, opaque white ice formed from ~slush; ~leopard, ounce; ~line, level above which ~ lies permanently at any place; ~man, figure made of ~ by children etc. & set up; ~on-the-mountains, kinds of white-flowered garden plant; ~, or usu. ~y, owl, the great white owl; ~plant or red ~, microscopio alga growing in ~ & colouring it red; ~plough, contrivance for clearing road or track by pushing ~

aside; ~plume, fringe of blown ~ wind-driven from mountain-top or ridge; ~shoes, racket-heads or (also ski) long narrow boards attached to feet & enabling wearer to traverse ~ without sinking in; ~shovel, large wooden shovel for ~; ~slip, avalanche; ~storm, heavy fall of ~ esp. with wind; ~white, white as ~; hence ~less (-ôl-), ~r² (-ôl-), *aa.*, ~ily² adv., ~iness *n.*, (-ôl-). 4. *vb.* (Impers.) it ~s, will ~, etc., ~ falls etc.; sprinkle or scatter, come, like ~; ~under, cover (as) with ~, overwhelm with numbers etc. (esp. in pass. of election candidate defeated by huge majority); ~ed up, in, ~bound, blocked up with ~. [Aryan; OE *snaw*, cf. Du. *sneeuw*, G *schnee*, L *nix nivis*, Gk *nipha accus.*]

snow² (-ô), *n.* Small brig-like sailing vessel with supplementary trysail mast. [f. Du. *snauw*]

snüb¹, *v.t.* (-bb-). & *n.* 1. Rebuff, reprove, put down, humiliate, with sharp words or marked want of cordiality, whence ~bing¹(1) *n.*, ~bingly² adv.; cheek way of (ship) esp. by rope wound round ~(ing)-post or bollard. 2. *n.* ~bing, rebuff. [n. f. *vb.* f. ON *snubba* chide]

snüb², *a.* & *n.* 1. (Of nose) short & stumpy or turned up, whence ~nosed² *a.* 2. *n.* (rare). ~nose. [f. prec. *vb.* in old sense *check growth of*]

snuff¹, *v.i.* & *t.*, & *n.* 1. = (the now more usu.) **sniff** *vb.*; also, take ~, whence ~er² *n.* 2. *n.* = (the now more usu.) **sniff** *n.*; also: powdered tobacco taken by sniffing as stimulant or sedative (give person ~, deal sharply with him; take thing in ~, arch., take offence at it; up to ~, sl., not childishly ignorant or innocent), whence ~r² *a.*, ~iness *n.*; medicinal powder taken by sniffing; || ~&-butter, brownish-yellow; ~box; ~coloured, (of) dark yellowish-brown; ~mill, for grinding ~, || also ~box; ~taker, ~taking. [n. f. *vb.* f. MDu. *snuffen* clear the nose, cf. G *schnauben* snort; sense tobacco etc. prob. f. Du. *snuf* abbr. of *snui/tabak* snuffing-tobacco]

snuff², *v.t.* & *i.*, & *n.* 1. Trim ~ from (candle or its wick) with fingers or scissors or esp. ~ers *n.* pl., kind of scissors with box to catch ~ (~out *v.t.*, extinguish by trimming, also fig. as *I was nearly, his hopes were, ~ed out*; ~out *v.i.*, sl., die; can ~ a candle with a pistol, shoot off top of wick without putting flame out); ~er-tray, holding ~ers. 2. *n.* Charred part of candle-wick, esp., in bad wick, black excrecence obscuring light; ~dish, ~er-tray. [n. f. *vb.* etym. dub.]

snuffle, *v.i.* & *t.*, & *n.* 1. Sniff (intr.), make sniffing sounds; speak nasally, whiningly, or like one with a cold, esp. as form of ~ putians & discontents, whence ~ns² *n.*; ~s out, utter with ~ing; hence ~ingly²

adv. 2. n. Sniff; ~ing sound, tone, or talk. [snurr¹, -nɜ(3)]

snüg, a. Sheltered from weather & cold, well enclosed or packed in or fixed in place, comfortably situated, cosy, (as ~ as a bug in a rug); (of income, dinner, etc.) good enough for modest requirements. Hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. [cf. ON *snoggr* smooth (of hair), Sw. *snugg* neat]

snügg'erý (-g-), n. Snug place, esp. person's private room or den; bar-parlour of inn. [-ERY]

snüg'gle, v.i. & t. Shift one's position or lie close up to for warmth; draw (child etc.) close to one, cuddle. [f. obs. *snug* vb (SNUG) + -LE(3)]

so, adv., conj., int., & pron. 1. To the extent or in the manner set forth by preceding or following *as*-clause or implied in context, thus, equally, similarly, analogously, (now used to express degree before *as*-clause only with negative, as *I am not so eager*, but *I am as eager, as you*; as *the tree falls, so must it lie*; as *bees love sweetness, so flies love rottenness*; rarely used twice correlatively, as *so many men so many minds*; when *he saw her so frightened*; *why are you panting so?*; *so & so only can it be done*; *stand just so*; *did not expect to live so long*; *did not get it by force & ought not to be so deprived of it*; often in sentence appended as explanation, as *I paid him double, I was so pleased*; *ever or never so bad etc.* in condit. clause, as *bad etc. as possible*; *so far*, up to this time or point or extent, as *so far it has not happened*, *so far you are right*; *so or in so far as or arch. so far forth as*, to whatever extent; *& so forth, & so on*, et cetera, & the like; *so long as*, with the proviso, on the condition, that; *so be it*, form of acceptance, resignation, etc.; *so long*, good-bye till we next meet; *so much for*, that is all that need be done or said about; *is only so much rubbish*, all rubbish; *at so much a week, a head, etc.*; a definite but unspecified sum etc.; similarly *so much of one ingredient & so much of another*; *not so much as*, less than, not even; *is not so much discontented as unsatisfied*. 2. To the degree or in the manner or with the intent or result set forth by following *that*-clause or *but*-clause or *as to* (so *high that you cannot reach it*; *so run that ye may obtain*; *warned him so that he might avoid the danger*; *all precautions have been taken, so that we expect to succeed*; *not so deaf but he can hear a gun*; *was so fortunate as to escape*; *put it so as not to offend him*; *it so happens that he was not there*). 3. To a degree that demands exclamatory emphasis (so *many words, so much to do!*; *I am so glad, tired!*; *she is so beautiful*; *so kind of you!*; also colloq. or vulg. with *ever*, as *that is ever so much*

better, he is ever so angry!). 4. On condition that or *that*, on condition set forth in *as*-clause or implied, (so *that or so it is done, it matters not how*; *so may you find forgiveness as now you forgive me!*; *so help me God!*, form of asseveration). 5. Accordingly, consequently, therefore, as appears or results from preceding or implied statements or fact, (he *says he was not there, so he doubtless was not*; *so or and so I cannot come*; *so you are back again*; *so that's that*, colloq. winding up of statement or discussion; *so what?*; *so look to yourself*). 6. (Accompanying emphasis on some later word) moreover, also, as well, in actual fact, (well, so I did; *you said it was good, & so it is*; *yes, I denied it, but or & so did you*; *'your birthday? yes, so it is'*). 7. (As substitute, often preceding vb, for obj. of *say*, *call*, *speak*, *tell*, *think*, *hope*, *suppose*, *do*, etc.) it, this, that, the same, this is what, (so *he said*; *so spake Achilles*, i.e. what precedes, & *Patroclus so*, i.e. what follows; also ellipt., as *So Satan, whom the archangel thus rebukes*; *do you think so?*; *& so say all of us*; *I suppose so*, form of agreement; *I told you so*, warned you in vain; *she is ill & he thinks himself so*; *so-called*, epithet questioning accuracy of description; *so to say or speak*, apology for exaggeration, metaphor, neologism, etc.; *you don't say so?*, formula of surprise). 8. In that state or condition, actually the case, (he, it, is *better so*; *God said Let there be light, & it was so*; *must it be so?*; *but perhaps it is not, even if it were, so*; *though it was, or things were, ever or never so*, vulg., however bad the state of things; also with omission of *it is etc.*, as *how so?*, *why so?*, *if so, not so*; also ellipt. for *is that so?* chiefly in imit. of German, as *'He went off yesterday'*. 'So?'; *quite so, just so*, forms of agreement). 9. (arch.). *And so*, after which I, they, etc., proceeded (*& so to dinner, to bed*, etc.); *so please you*, by your favour, if you please. 10. (Ellipt. after conditional clause; arch.) let it be so, very well, (if you are content, so). 11. (As int., also *soh*) that will do, stay as you are, stand still, be quiet. 12. (In comb. with relative words) -ever (also with -ever appended, as *whose, whosoever*). 13. *So-&-so*, particular person or thing not needing to be specified (*never mind what so-&-so says*; *tells me to do so-&-so*); *so so*, pred. adj. or adv., not more than passable, -bly; or *so*, or thereabouts (after expressions of quantity or numbers; *send me ten or so*; *11b. or so will do*). [OE *sod*, cf. Du. *soo*, G *so*]

soak, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of absorbent substance) take up or suck in (liquid); place or leave or lie in or in liquid for saturation, steep t. & i., make or be wet through, (of rain etc.) drench, whence ~ing¹(1) n.; (of moisture) make way into or through,

make its way, by saturation, whence ~'AGE(3) n.; (sl.) extract money from by extortionate charge, taxation, etc. (~ the rich); drink persistently, booze. 2. n. ~ing; drinking-bout; hard drinker. [OE *socian* (*succan* SUGK)]

soak'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: hard drinker; drenching shower. [-ER¹]

soap, n. & v.t. & i. 1. Compound of fatty acid with soda or potash or (*insoluble* ~s) with an earth or metallic oxide, of which the soluble kinds yield when rubbed in water a lather used in washing (*soft* ~, made with potash & remaining liquid, also fig. flattery); ~berry, ~nut, ~plant, ~pod, ~root, ~wort, kinds of plant yielding substances serving purpose of ~; ~bottle, ~boiling, manufacture(r) of ~; ~box, box for holding ~, makeshift stand for street orator; ~bubble, iridescent globe of air enclosed in film of soapy water made by blowing through pipe dipped in ~suds; ~earth, ~stone, steatite; ~opera (sl.), radio serial; ~suds; ~works, ~manufacture; hence ~LESS a. 2. vb. Apply ~ to, scrub or rub with ~; use ~ upon oneself. [OE *sæpe*, cf. Du. *zeep*, G *seife*]

soap'[y], a. Like, smeared or impregnated with, suggestive of, soap; (of person or his manners or talk) unctuous, flattering. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

soar (sōr), v.i. Fly high (lit. & fig.), mount to or be at a great height above earth, hover or sail in the air without flapping of wings, (~ing eagle, spire, thoughts, ambition, ideals). Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. *essorer* f. LL *ex(aurere* f. *aura* breeze)]

sōa've, **sōavēmēn'tē**, (-ah-), mus. direction. With tenderness. [It.]

sōb, v.i. & t. (-bb-), & n. 1. Draw breath in convulsive gasps usu. with weeping under mental distress or physical exhaustion; ~ out, utter with ~s; hence ~b'ingly² adv. 2. n. Convulsive drawing of breath esp. in weeping; ~-stuff, pathos, sentimental writing. [prob. imit.]

sōb'er, a. & v.t. & i. 1. Not drunk (as ~ as a judge; appeal from Philip drunk to Philip ~, suggest that opinion etc. represents passing mood only); temperate in regard to drink (*is a ~ man*); moderate, well-balanced, sane, tranquil, self-controlled, sedate, not vehement or passionate or excited or wayward or fanciful or exaggerated, (of colour) quiet & inconspicuous, (*in ~ fact*, in fact as opp. fancy; a ~ estimate; ~-minded; ~-sides, sedate person; ~-suited, poet., clad in ~ colours), whence ~LY² adv. 2. vb. Make or become ~ or less wild, reckless, enthusiastic, visionary, etc. (often down). [f. OF *sobre* f. L *sobrius* perh. f. *so-*, *se-*, apart from, *ebrius* drunk, etym. dub.]

Sōbra'nje (-ahn'yē), n. Bulgarian national assembly. [Bulg.]

sobri'ēty, n. Being SOBER. [f. F *sobriété* f. L *sobrietas* (SOBER, -TY)]

sōb'riquet (-kă), **sou-** (sō-), n. Nickname, assumed name. [F, etym. dub.]

sōc(c)'age, n. Feudal tenure of land involving payment of rent or other service to superior. [AF, f. OE *soc* jurisdiction (*sēcan* SEEK) + AGE]

sōcc'er (-k-), n. (colloq.). Association football, form of football in which (cf. RUGBY) ball may not be touched with hand except by goalkeeper. [ASSOCIATION, -ER¹]

sō'ciab'le (-sha-), a. & n. 1. Fitted for companionship, ready & willing to converse, not averse to society, communicative, liking company; (of meeting etc.) marked by friendliness, not stiff or formal; hence SŌCIABIL'ITY n., ~LY² adv., (-sha-). 2. n. Open carriage with facing side seats; tricycle for two riders side by side; S-shaped couch allowing two occupants to face each other. [F, f. L *sociabilis* (*sociare* f. *socius* fellow cogn. w. *sequi* follow, -ABLE)]

sō'cial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Living in companies, gregarious, not fitted for or not practising solitary life, interdependent, co-operative, practising division of labour, existing only as member of compound organism, (*man is a ~ animal*; ~ bees, wasps, kinds having common nests etc.; ~ birds, building near each other in communities; ~ plants, kinds that grow thickly together & monopolize ground they grow on; ~ polypete.). 2. Concerned with the mutual relations of men or classes of men (~ problems, science, morality, students, philosophers; the ~ contract or rarely compact, agreement among men to exchange the individual freedom of the state of nature for legal restriction, assumed by 18th-c. thinkers as basis of political society; ~ democrat, politician aiming at improving condition of lower classes by gradual advance towards socialism; ~ security, freedom from unemployment & want; the ~ evil, prostitution). 3. Of or in or towards society (~ intercourse, life, code, etiquette, pleasures, duties; one's ~ superiors & inferiors; ~ rank, position, distinctions; has ~ tastes; a ~ evening, gathering). 4. Of or with allies (the S~ war in Rom. Hist.). 5. n. ~ gathering, esp. one organized by club, congregation, etc. Hence or cogn. SŌCIAL'ITY (-shl-) n., ~LY² adv. [f. L *socialis* (*socius* see prec., -AL)]

sō'cial'ism (-sha-), n. Principle that individual freedom should be completely subordinated to interests of community, with any deductions that may be correctly or incorrectly drawn from it, e.g. substitution of co-operative for competitive production, national ownership of land & capital, State distribution of produce, free education & feeding of children, & abolition of inheritance (Christian ~ism,

attempt to apply Christian precepts in ordinary life resulting in some approximation to the aims of ~ism). Hence ~ISM(2) n. & a., ~IS'TIC a., ~IS'TICALLY adv., (-sha-). [-ISM]

sō'cializ[e (-sha-), v.t. Make social; arrange socialistically. Hence ~A'TION n. [-IZ]

soci'ety, n. 1. Social mode of life, the customs & organization of a civilized nation, (*the progress of ~ is an evolution; pests of ~, persons who prey on the community*). 2. Any social community (*no ~ can retain members who flout its principles*). 3. The upper classes of a community whose movements & entertainments & other doings are more or less conspicuous, the socially distinguished, fashionable & well-to-do & well-connected people, (*was welcomed by ~; the customs of polite ~; ~ does not approve; leaders of ~; often attrib., as ~ lady, people, gossip, news, journal; ~ verse, of light topical witty kind*). 4. Participation in hospitality, other people's houses or company, (*goes a great deal into, avoids, is at his best or embarrassed in, ~*). 5. Companionship, company, (*~ & solitude; always enjoy his ~; seek, avoid, the ~ of*). 6. Association of persons united by a common aim or interest or principle (*S~ of Friends, Quakers; S~ of Jesus, abbr. S.J., see JESUIT; FRIENDLY ~; Royal S~, founded 1682 for improving natural knowledge; S~ for the Propagation of the Gospel, abbr. S.P.G.; DORCAS ~; building, co-operative, ~*). [f. OF *societ* f. L *societatem* (*socius* see *SOCIABLE*, -TY)]

Socin'ian, a. & n. (Follower, following or according to doctrine) of the 16th-c. Italian theologians Laelius & Faustus Socinus, whose opinions resemble those of modern unitarians. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [-IAN]

sōciōlōgŷ, n. Science of the development & nature & laws of human society. Hence sōciōlōgicā a., sōciōlōgicāly² adv., (-sho-), sōciōlōgist n. [F (-gie), f. L *socius* see *SOCIABLE*, -LOGY]

sōck¹, n. (shop pl. *sōz*). Short stocking not reaching knee (|| *pull up your ~s, brace yourself for an effort*); removable inner sole put into shoe for warmth etc.; ancient comic actor's light shoe (also used allusively for comedy etc., cf. *buskin*). [OE *socc* f. L *soccus* comic actor's shoe]

sōck², v.t., n., & adv. (sl.). 1. Fling (ball, stone) at; hit (person) with hand-flung missile. 2. n. Blow inflicted by missile or fist (esp. *give him ~s*). 3. adv. With such blow, plump, right, (*hit him ~ in the eye*). [?]

sōck³, n., & v.t. & i. (school sl.). 1. Sweets, pastry, etc., eaten at odd times, *tsuck, grub*. 2. vb. Treat to ~, indulge in ~; give (person thing). [?]

***sōckdōl'ōger**, -lag-, n. (sl.). Decisive blow or argument. [perh. corrupt. of *dozology*]

sōck'er. Var. of *SOCCER*.

sōck'et, n., & v.t. 1. Natural or artificial hollow for something to fit into or stand firm or revolve in (*eye~; ~ of the hip; candle too large for ~; BALL¹ & ~*): ~ joint, = BALL¹-&~ joint; ~ pipe, with enlarged end to receive another. 2. v.t. Place in, fit with, ~; (Golf) hit (ball) with heel of club. Hence ~ED² a. [f. OF *soclet* dim. of *soc* ploughshare]

sōck'eye (-ki), n. The blue-back salmon. [Amer.-Ind. *sukai*]

sō'cle, n. (archit.). Plain low rectangular block serving as support for pedestal, vase, statue, etc. [F, f. It. *soccolo* f. L *socculus* (*soccus* *SOCK*¹, -ULE)]

Socrāt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, like, following, etc., Socrates (~ic *method*, dialectic, procedure by question & answer; ~ic *irony*, pose of ignorance assumed in order to entice others into display of supposed knowledge). 2. n. Follower of Socrates. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. L f. Gk *Sōkratikos* (*Sōkratēs*, -IO)]

sōd¹, n., & v.t. (-dd-). 1. Turf, upper layer of grass land including blades & roots & earth, (*under the ~, in the grave*); piece of turf pared off; hence ~D'Y² a. 2. v.t. Cover (ground) with ~s (~ding *mallet, spade*, implements used); pelt with ~s. [cf. Du. *sode*, LG *sode*]

sod². See *SEETHE*.

sōd³, n. (vulg.). Sodomite (esp. as vague term of abuse). [abbr.]

sōd'a, n. 1. One of the compounds of sodium in common use, esp. sodium carbonate or bicarbonate. 2. (Also ~water) water made effervescent by impregnation with carbonic acid under pressure & used alone or with spirit or wine or milk as a drink (orig. made with sodium bicarbonate; *some ~water; some or a brandy & ~; ~-fountain*, vessel in which ~-water is stored under pressure to be drawn out, shop, *store, or counter equipped with this apparatus). [med. L, etym. dub.]

sodāl'ity, n. A confraternity or association esp. of religious character (chiefly in titles of R.-C. societies). [f. L *sodalitas* (*sodalis* comrade, -RY)]

sōdd'en, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Saturated with liquid, soaked through; (of bread) doughy, heavy & moist; stupid or dull in fact or appearance with habitual drunkenness; hence ~NESS n. 2. vb. Become or make ~. [orig. p.p. of *SEETHE*]

sōd'ium, n. A soft silver-white metallic element found in soda, salt, & other compounds, which in its pure form decomposes water. Hence sōd'ic a. [SODA, -IUM]

sōd'omite, n. Person practising sodomy.

[f. L f. Gk *Sodomitis* inhabitant of Sodom, see -ITE¹(1)]

sod'omy, n. Copulation between male persons. [f. OF *sodomie* (L *Sodoma* Sodom, see *Gen. xix. 4* foll., -IA¹)]

sod'ev'er, suf. occas. separable usu. appended to relative pronouns, adverbs, or adjectives, but sometimes following them at an interval, to give indefinite meaning (*whosoever, howsoever, etc.*; *how great ~ it may be; with what end ~ he did it*). [SO, EVER]

sod'a, n. Couch with raised ends & back on which several persons can sit or one lie; ~ *bedstead*, piece of furniture serving as ~ by day & bed by night. [f. Arab. *suffah* bench]

sod'it, n. Lower surface of architrave, arch, balcony, etc. [f. F *suffite* f. It. *suffita* ceiling, fem. p.p. = fixed under (L *sub*², *figere* fix)]

sod(ism). See *SUM(ism)*.

soft (saw-, sō-), a., n., adv., & int. 1. Comparatively wanting in hardness, yielding to pressure, malleable, plastic, easily cut, (~ *as butter*; ~ *stone, iron*; ~ *coal*, bituminous, opp. *anthracite*; ~ *corn*, moist thickening of skin between toes confused with *CORN*²; ~ (opp. *HARD*) *currency*; ~ *tissues* of body, not bony or cartilaginous; ~ *palate*, hinder part of palate; ~ *wicket* at cricket, moist or sodden turf; || ~ *goods, textiles*; ~ *solder*, kinds used for easily fusible metal, cf. ~ *SAWDER*; ~ *SOAP*; ~ *tack*, Naut., bread, opp. *hard tack* or biscuit; ~ *roe*, of male fish). 2. Of smooth surface or fine texture, not rough or coarse, (~ *skin, hair, raiment*). 3. Mellow, mild, balmy, not noticeably cold or hot, (~ *air*; a ~ *winter*). 4. || Rainy or moist or thawing (~ *weather*; a ~ *day*). 5. (Of water) free from mineral salts & so good for washing or cooking. 6. Not astringent or sour or bitter (~ *claret* etc.). 7. Not crude or brilliant or dazzling (~ *colours, light, eyes*); not sharply defined (~ *outline*); not strident or loud, low-toned, (a ~ *voice*; ~ *music*; ~ *FEDAL*¹; ~ *pedal* v.i. & t., play with ~ pedal down, tone down; ~ *whispers, murmurs*). (Phonet.) sibilant (*g is ~ in gin*), voiced (*b, g, d, are ~ mutes*), unaspirated (~ or smooth BREATHING¹). 8. Gentle, quiet, conciliatory, complimentary or amorous. (~ *rain*; ~ *drink, colloq.*, non-alcoholic; ~ *manners*; a ~ *answer*, esp. a good-tempered one to abuse or accusation; ~ *spoken*, see *SPEAK*; ~ *nothings*, amorous talk). 9. Sympathetic, compassionate, (has a ~ *heart*, whence ~ *hearted*² a., ~ *heartedness* n.). 10. Tranquil (~ *slumbers*). 11. (sl.). Easy (has a ~ *job*; a ~ *option*; ~ *thing*, light well-paid office etc.). 12. Flabby, weak, feeble, unstrung, effeminate, silly, (the national character has gone ~; a ~ *humorous people*; ~ *muscles*; ~ *hondal*,

~ *witted*, half idiotic); hence ~ *ISH*¹ a., ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. 13. n. Silly weak person, also ~ *Y*² n. 14. adv. (commoner in compar. than in posit.). ~ *ly* (play ~, ~ *er*; ~ *whispering* etc.). 15. int. (arch.). Wait a moment; hush! [OE *sifte* (usu. adv.), *säfte* a., cf. G *sansf*, Du. *zacht*]

sod'ta, n. Moslem student of sacred law & theology. [Turk.]

soften (saw'fn, sō-), v.i. & t. Become or make *SOFT* or softer; (also ~ *up*) reduce strength of (defences) by bombing etc.; ~ *ing* (morbid degeneration) of the brain. Hence ~ *ER*¹(1, 2) n. [-EX²]

sogg'g' (g-), a. Sodden, saturated, dank. Hence ~ *INESS* n. [f. dial. *sog* a swamp, etym. dub.]

soh. See *so*.

sohō', int. used in quieting horse etc. [AF hunting-cry]

Sohō', n. District in London associated with foreign restaurants etc.

soi-disant (see Ap.), a. Self-styled, pretended. [F]

soigné (swahn'yā), (fem. ~e), a. (Chiefly of a woman's toilet) exquisite in detail, carefully finished or arranged. [p.p. of F *soigner* take care of (*soin* care)]

soil¹, n. The ground, upper layer of earth in which plants grow consisting of disintegrated rock usu. with admixture of organic remains, mould, (*good, poor, clayey, alluvial, light, rich, etc.*, ~; *NIGHT* ~; one's *native* ~, ground of one's native land or place). Hence (-) ~ *ED*² (-ld) a. [AF, f. L *solum* seat confused w. *solum* ground]

soil², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make dirty, smear or stain with dirt, tarnish, defile, (~ *ed linen*; *would not ~ my hands with it* fig.), so ~ *URE* n. (arch.); admit of being ~ *ed* (~ *s easily*). 2. n. Dirty mark, stain, smear, defilement. 3. ~ *pipe*, discharge-pipe of water-closet; hence ~ *LESS* (-l-l-) a. [n. f. vb. OF *soillier* defile, perh. f. L *suculus* dim. of *sus* pig; doublet of *SULLY*]

soil³, v.t. Feed (cattle) on fresh-cut green fodder (orig. for purging). [perh. f. *SOIL*² in sense *dung* (cf. *soil-pipe*)]

soirée (swā'ā), n. Social evening, evening gathering esp. for music, conversation, the advancement of some society's objects, or the like. [F, = evening (-party) f. L *serus* late, -ata see -ADE(1)]

soizante-quatre (see Ap.), n. French 75 mm. gun, famous in the 1914-18 war. [F, = 75]

sojourn (sū'ern, sō-), v.i., & n. (Make) temporary stay in or in place or with or among person(s). Hence ~ *ER*¹ n. [f. OF *sojourner* (L *sub*-, *diurnare* f. *diurnus* diurnal)]

Sōl¹, n. (Joc.). The sun. [L]

sōl², n. (mus.). Fifth note of octave. (ist syl. of L *solus*, see *SALUT*)

sō'a, n. Pithy-stemmed tropical swamp

plant (~ *Wp't*, Indian sun-helmet of the pith). [f. Hind. *shold*]

sol'ace, n., & v.t. Comfort (v. & n.) in distress or disappointment or tedium (~ oneself with, find compensation or relief in; tobacco, once the poor man's ~; found ~ in religion). [f. OF *solas* f. L. *solacium* (*solari* CONSOLE¹)]

sol'an(-gōse), n. The gannet. [f. ON *sula*, perh. + *ond* duck]

solān'um, n. Large genus of plants including potato, nightshade, & many kinds (often spoken of as ~) cultivated as ornamental creepers or for flowers or foliage. [L. = nightshade]

sol'ar, a. Of, concerned with, determined by, the sun (~ DAY, *eclipse*, *spectrum*, *time*, YEAR; ~ flowers, that remain open only for some hours in the day; ~ month, an exact twelfth of the year; ~ myth, tale explained as symbolizing ~ phenomena; ~ plexus, the complex of nerves at pit of stomach; ~ system, the sun & the heavenly bodies whose motion is directly or indirectly determined by it). [f. L. *solaris* (*sol* sun, -AR¹)]

sol'arism, n. Belief in solar myths as chief source of mythology. So ~ISM(2) n. [-ISM]

solār'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Place often enclosed in glass for enjoyment or esp. medical use of sun's rays. [L. = sun-dial, sunning-place (*SOLAR*, -ARY¹)]

sol'arize, v.i. & t. (photog.). Spoil (f. & t.) by long exposure. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

solā'tium (-shl-), n. (pl. -tia). Thing given as compensation or consolation. [L. = SOLACE]

sold. See **SELL**.

söldanëll'a, n. Kinds of Alpine plant some of which (esp. the Blue moonwort) are grown in gardens. [It., etym. dub.]

sol'der (or *söd'er*), n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of fusible alloy used to join edges of less fusible metals (*hard*, *soft*, ~, fusible at higher, lower, temperature & so serving for different metals), (fig.) cementing agency. 2. v.t. Join with ~; ~ing-iron, tool used hot for applying ~. [vb f. n., f. OF *soudure* (*souder* f. L. *soldare* f. *SOLIDUS*, -URM)]

sol'dier (-jer), n., & v.i. 1. Member of army (lit. & fig.; ~s & *sailors*; go, enlist, for a ~; play at ~s, of children, also of volunteers etc.; *tin*, *toy*, ~s; ~ of Christ, active or proselytizing Christian; the unknown S~, see **WARRIOR**; every INCH¹ a ~; old ~, lit., also person of experience, also empty bottle, also cigar-end; come the old ~ over, claim to dictate to in virtue of greater experience; ~ of fortune, ready to take service under any State or person that will hire him; red ~, pig-disease; ~s wind, Naut., fair wind for going & returning; private or N.C.O. in army (both officers & ~s; often

common ~); military commander of specified ability (a *great*, *fine*, *poor*, ~; no ~), whence ~SHIP(3) n.; hence ~LIKE a., ~LY^{1,2} a. & adv., (-jer-). 2. (sl.). (Naut.) man, esp. sailor, who shirks work; red herring. 3. (Also ~ and) one of fighting section of ant or termite colony; (also ~ beetle) kinds of reddish-coloured insect with carnivorous larvae; (also ~ crab) kind of hermit crab; ~ orchis, kind with helmet-shaped sepals. 4. v.i. Serve as ~ (chiefly in gerund, as go, tired of, ~ing); (Naut., sl.) shirk work. [OF (*soud* pay f. *SOLIDUS*, -ARY¹)]

sol'diery (-jeri), n. The soldiers (of a State, in a district, etc.); a set of troops of specified character (a *wild*, *licentious*, etc., ~). [-ERY]

sol'do, n. (pl. -di, pr. -dē). Italian half-penny. [It., f. *SOLIDUS*]

sōlē¹, n., & v.t. 1. Lower surface of human or other plantigrade foot; part of shoe, sock, etc. below foot; bottom or foundation of various things, e.g. plough, carpenter's plane, wagon, golf-club head; ~channel, groove in ~ of boot etc. in which sewing is sunk; ~leather, compressed for use in ~s; ~plate, bed-plate of engine etc.; hence -sōlēd² (-ld) a. 2. v.t. Provide (shoe etc.) with ~. [OF, f. med. L. *sol* f. L. *solea*]

sōlē², n. Kind of flat-fish much esteemed as food (LEMON¹ ~). [OF, f. L. *solea* (prec.)]

sōlē³, a. One & only, exclusive, (*his* ~ reason is this; on my own ~ responsibility); (Law) unmarried (only in FEME SOLE); || (arch.) alone, unaccompanied, (*went forth* ~; CORPORATION ~). Hence ~LY³ (-l-i-) adv. [f. OF *sol* f. L. *solus*]

sōl'écism, n. Offence against grammar or idiom, blunder in the manner of speaking or writing; piece of ill breeding or incorrect behaviour. So ~IST(1) n., ~IS'TIO a. [f. L. f. Gk. *soloikismos* (*soloikis* f. *soloikos* barbarous, said to be f. *Soloi* town in Cilicia noted for bad Attic, -oikos -dwelling, -ISM)]

sōl'emn (-m), a. Accompanied with ceremony, done etc. in due form, formally regular, (~ *feast-day*, *sacrifice*, *vow*; the S~ League & COVENANT; *probate* in ~ form); mysteriously impressive (~ *silence*; a ~ *cathedral*); full of importance, weighty, (a ~ *occasion*, *truth*, *warning*); grave, sober, deliberate, slow in movement or action, (~ *music*, a ~ *promise*, ~ *looks*; a ~ *pace*); pompous, affecting gravity or importance, dull, (*put on a ~ face*; a ~ *fool*). Hence ~LY³ (-mli) adv., ~NESS n. (rare). [ME & OF *solemn* f. L. *solemnis*, etym. dub.]

sōl'em'nity, n. Rite, celebration, festival, piece of ceremony; being solemn, solemn character or feeling or behaviour. [f. OF *solemnitas* f. LL *solemnitatem* (prec., -TY)]

sōl'em'nize, v.t. Celebrate (festival etc.); duly perform (marriage ceremony); make

solemn. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. OF *solempniser* (SOLEMN, -ISE)]

sōl'en, n. A bivalve, the Razor-shell. [L, f. Gk *solēn* tube, shellfish]

solen'oid, n. Cylindrical coil of wire which, when an electric current is passed through it, behaves as a bar magnet, & can magnetize a piece of iron or steel placed inside it. [f. F *solénioide* (prec., -OID)]

sōl'-fa' (-ah), v.i. & t., & n. = SOLMIZATE, SOLMIZATION; TONIC ~. [SOL³, FA]

sōlf'eggio (-jō), n. (pl. -gi, pr. -jō). Solmization, sol-fa; sol-fa exercise for voice. [It., (prec. +suf. -eggio)]

sōliferi'nō (-rē-), n. A purplish-red colour made from rosaniline. [discovered in year of battle of S~, cf. MAGENTA]

soli'cit, v.t. & i. Invite, make appeals or requests to, importune, (*marvels ~ his attention or senses; we ~ you for your custom; was known to have ~ed the judges*), (of prostitute) entice (man, or abs.) in public place; ask importunately or earnestly for (~ *favours, office, custom*). So ~A'TION n. [f. OF *soliciter* f. L *solicitare* (solicitus anxious perh. f. *sollus* whole, *cière cit-rouse*)]

soli'citor, n. One who solicits (rare); || member of the legal profession competent to advise clients & instruct & prepare causes for barristers but not to appear as advocate except in certain lower courts (cf. BARRISTER, LAWYER, ATTORNEY); *canvasser; || S~General, Crownlaw officer below Attorney-General, & like him appointed by the Government of the day & advising & representing it in legal matters. [f. OF *soliciteur* (prec., -OR³)]

soli'citous, a. Eager to do; desirous of; anxious, troubled, (*about, concerning, for, etc.*, or abs.). Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. L *solicitus* see SOLICIT, -OUS]

soli'citude, n. Being solicitous, anxiety, concern. [OF, f. L *solicitudo* (prec., -TUDE)]

sōl'id, a. & n. 1. Of stable shape, not liquid or fluid, having some rigidity, (~ *food; water becomes ~ at 32° F.*). 2. Of ~ substance throughout, not hollow, without internal cavities or interstices, uninterrupted, whole, (~ *sphere or ball; ~ tire*, without central tube; ~ *square*, Mil., formation of equal depth & length; ~ *hoofed, -horned, etc.*; ~ *drawn*, of tubes etc., pressed or drawn out from a ~ bar of metal; ~ *printing*, without leads between lines; a ~ *hour, day, etc.*). 3. Strongly constructed, not flimsy, (~ *house, pter, furniture; man of ~ build*). 4. Homogeneous, alike all through, (of ~ *silver* etc.; ~ *colour*, covering the whole of an object, without pattern etc.; a ~ *vote* etc., unanimous, undivided; *go or be ~ for*, be united in favour of; *the ~ South*, southern States of U.S. consistently

voting for Democratic party). 5. Well grounded, sound, reliable, real, genuine, not fancied or pretended or showy, (~ *arguments, sense, comfort; a ~ man*, sensible but not brilliant, also of sound financial position; *have ~ grounds for supposing; ~ consideration*, thing that can fairly be regarded as an inducement in contracts etc.). 6. Of three dimensions (~ *foot* etc., cubic; ~ *angle*, formed by three or more plane angles in different planes meeting at point; ~ *number*, integer with three prime factors). 7. Concerned with ~s (~ *geometry; ~ measure; ~ problem*, Math., involving curves that are sections of ~s & requiring cubic equation); hence or cogn. **sōl'id'ify** v.t. & i., **sōl'idify** A'TION n., **sōl'id'ifiable** a., **sōl'id'ity** n., ~LY³ adv. 8. n. Body consisting of particles that maintain their relative positions against some degree of pressure; (Geom.) body or magnitude having three dimensions (cf. *point, line, surface; regular ~*, bounded by equal & regular planes equally inclined, see REGULAR). [f. OF *solide* f. L *solidus* cogn. w. Gk *holos*, Skr. *sarva*(s), whole]

sōl'idā'rity, n. Holding together, mutual dependence, community of interests, feelings, & action. So **sōl'idāry** a. [f. F *solidarité* (*solidaire* f. *solide* = prec., -ARY³, -TY)]

sōl'idūng'ular (-ngg-), -ate, aa. Solid-hoofed, of horse family, equine. [f. L *solidus*, *ungula* hoof, -AR³, -AT³]

sōl'idus, n. (pl. -di). (Hist.) gold coin introduced by Roman Emperor Constantine; (only in abbr. s.) shilling(s), as 7s. 6d., £1. 1s.; the shilling line (for / or long s) as in 7/6. [L, a noun use of *SOLIDUS*]

sōl'id'ian, a. & n. (Holder) of doctrine that faith by itself suffices for salvation. [L *solus* alone, *fides* faith, + -IAN]

soll'iqui'y, n. Talking without or regardless of the presence of hearers (a ~y, piece of this esp. on part of character in play). Hence ~ISM(2) v.i., ~IST(1) n. [f. L *solloquium* (*solus* alone, -i, *loqui* speak)]

sōl'ip'ed, a. & n. Solidaugulate (animal). [L *solus* alone, *pes* *pedis* foot]

sōl'ips'ism, n. (metaphys.). View that the self is the only knowable, or the only existent, thing. So ~IST n. [f. L *solus* alone, *ipse* self, -ISM]

sōl'itaire, n. Ear-ring, shirt-stud, etc., having a single gem; shirt-cuff fastening in one piece; game played by one person with marbles on special board; (now usu. *patience*) kinds of card-game for one player; kinds of W.-Ind. & Amer. thrush; (now rare) a recluse. [F, see foll.]

sōl'itar'y, a. & n. 1. Living alone, not gregarious, without companions, unfrequented, secluded, single, lonely, sole, (~y *ants, bees, etc.*, kinds not living in

communities; a ~y life, walk, valley, instance; ~y confinement, isolation in separate cell; hence ~lry² adv., ~lness n. 2. n. Recluse, anchorite. [f. L *solitarius* (solus alone)]

sól'itúde, n. Being solitary; lonely place. [OF, f. L *solitudo* (SOLE², -TUDE)]

sól'mízáte, v.i., sól'mízá'tion, n. (Use) system of associating each note of scale with particular syllable (see GAMUT), in fixed-do system C always being do & other syllables accordingly, in movable-do system key-note always being do & other syllables accordingly. [-ate f. F *solmiser* (SOL², MI, -RE)]

sól's, n. (pl. -os, in sense 1 also -i pr. -s), a., & adv. 1. Vocal or instrumental piece or passage performed by one person with or without subordinate accompaniment (also attrib., as ~ passage; ~ stops on organ, stops specially suitable for playing ~ passages accompanied by other stops; ~ organ, fourth manual on large organ, with stops of this kind); whence ~IST(1) n. 2. (cards). Kind of whist in which one player opposes three or undertakes other tasks; similar varieties of other games; declaration or playing to win five tricks at ~ whist. 3. (aviation). An unaccompanied flight; (adj. & adv.) unaccompanied, alone, (a ~ flight; flying ~). [It., as SOLE²]

Sól'mon, n. King of Israel reputed wisest of men (is no ~; SONG of ~), whence Sól'món'ic a.; ~s seal, kinds of flowering plant with some likeness to lily of the valley.

Sól'on, n. Sage, wise legislator. [name of Athenian lawgiver]

sól'stice, n. Either time (summer, winter, ~, about 21st June, 22nd Dec.) at which sun is farthest from equator & appears to pause before returning; (also *solstitial point*) point in ecliptic reached by sun at ~. So sól'stí'al (-ish) a. [OF, f. L *solstitium* (SOL¹, *sistere* -stít- make stand f. stare stand)]

sól'úble, a. That can be dissolved in some fluid; that can be solved; ~ glass, (also WATER-glass) preparation of silicate of soda used for hardening artificial stone, preserving eggs, etc. Hence sól'úbl'ity n. [OF, f. L *solubilis* (SOLVE, -BLE)]

sól'us, pred. a. (fem. sola). Alone, unaccompanied, (esp. in stage directions, as *enter king* ~; also joc., as *found myself* ~). [L]

solu'tion (-lú-, -lú-), n., & v.t. 1. Separation, dissolution, abolition of union, chiefly in ~ of continuity, Surg., separation of tissues by fracture etc., & transf.). 2. Dissolving or being dissolved, esp. conversion of solid or gas into liquid form by mixture with liquid called the solvent or *menstruum* (chemical ~, involving change in chem. properties of components; *mechanical* ~, without such change);

state resulting from this (hold in ~ etc.; his ideas are in ~, in a state of flux, unsettled); liquid & solid or gas so mixed (a ~ of alum; strong, weak, ~, with small, large, proportion of solvent). 3. Resolution, solving, answer, method for the solving, of a problem, puzzle, question, doubt, difficulty, etc. (of, for, to). 4. (In full rubber ~) dissolved caoutchouc. 5. v.t. Coat with rubber ~. [OF, f. L *solutionem* (as SOLVE, -ION)]

solu'tionist (-lúshon-, -lú-), n. Professional solver of newspaper puzzles. [prec. + -IST (S)]

Solút'rian, a. (archaeol.). Of the palaeolithic period represented by found at the Solutré cave, Saône-et-Loire, France.

solve, v.t. Untie, loosen, unravel, dissolve, (knot, tangle, cohesion, etc.; arch.); find answer to (problem) or way out of (difficulty). Hence sól'vABLE a., sól'vABl'ITY n. [f. L *solvere* solut- (ac. apart, luere, cf. Gk *luô*, loosen)]

sól'vent, a. & n. 1. Having the power of dissolving or forming SOLUTION with something or fig. of weakening the hold of traditions or beliefs; having money enough to meet all pecuniary liabilities, whence sól'vent' n. 2. n. ~ liquid or substance, menstruum, (see SOLUTION; water is the commonest ~; alcohol is the ~ of resinous substances); dissolving or weakening agent (science as a ~ of religious belief). [f. L *solvere*, -ENT]

-som. See -some.

somát'ic, a. Of the body, corporeal, physical, (opp. mental, spiritual, psychic; ~ death, of the body as a whole). [f. Gk *somatikos* (sôma -atos body, -io)]

sôm'at'o-, comb. form (prec., -o-) = of body or the human body, as ~ogén'ic, originating in the body, ~ór'oey, science of living bodies physically considered, also physics, also human anatomy & physiology.

sôm'bre (-ber), a. Dark, gloomy, dismal, as a ~ sky, ~ prospect, man of ~ character. Hence ~l² adv., ~ness n., sôm'brous (poet.) a. [F, etym. dub.; cf. Sp. *sombrio* sombre, *sombra* shade]

sômbrer'o (-dró), n. (pl. ~s). Broad-brimmed felt hat common in America. [Sp. (*sombra*, see prec.)]

some (süm, sum), a., pron., & adv. 1. Particular but unknown or unspecified (person or thing), as ~ fool has locked the door, saw it in ~ book (or other), ask ~ experienced person, ~ (people) say yes & ~ (or others or other people) say no. 2. A certain quantity or number of (~ thing), as drink ~ water, eat ~ bread, bring ~ pens, I have ~ already, have ~ more, ~ of it is spoilt, ~ of them were late, saw we or com't we have ~ milk? (but we cannot have any milk), (if I find ~ (or any) I will send them; ~ & then ~ (al.), & plenty

more than that. 3. An appreciable or considerable quantity of, as *went ~ miles out of our way, had ~ trouble in arranging it, ~ years ago, that is ~ help*. 4. Such to a certain extent, as *that is ~ guide, test, proof*; (emphat. in melosis, U.S. & al.) such in the fullest sense, *~thing like (a), as this is ~ war!*, *I call that ~ poem*. 5. (Usu. stressed) not quite no, as *do have ~ mercy on our nerves, has after all ~ sense of decency*. 6. Approximately so many or much of (~thing), as *waited ~ 20 minutes, scales ~ 15 stone, we were ~ 60 in all*; ALL & ~. 7. adv. (sl.). In ~ degree, as *he seemed annoyed ~*. 8. ~body, ~ person, (w. pl. -dies) person of consequence. 9. ~how, in ~ unspecified or unexplained manner, for ~ reason or other, as *he ~how dropped behind, ~how or other I never liked him*, (stressed) no matter how, as *must get it finished ~how*. 10. ~one, = ~body (not in pl.); ~ one, any particular (one), as *choose ~ one place as a centre, take ~ one as a type*. 11. ~thing, ~ thing (esp. or ~thing as vague substitute for noun, adj., vb. or adv.), as *have ~thing to tell you; we hope to see ~thing of (occasionally meet) them, has lost ~thing or other, take a drop of ~thing (liquor), he is or has ~thing (official, ~ employment) in the record office, can spare ~thing out of so much, there is ~thing (truth, point) in what you say, thinks himself ~thing (of ~ consequence), felt there was a little ~thing wanting, ~thing of preciousity in his style, am ~thing of (am in ~ sense or degree) a carpenter, it is ~thing (~ comfort) to be safe home again, his temper is, his fads are, ~thing awful, was made a bishop or ~thing, has sprained his ankle or ~thing (~ other part), is neurotic or ~thing, lost his train or (did) ~thing, turned the tap too soon or too hard or (too) ~thing; (adv., arch. exo. ~thing like) in ~ degree, as *was ~thing impatient, ~thing troubled, shaped ~thing like a cigar*; (colloq., w. stress on like) *this is ~thing like a (is a large or good) pudding, that's ~thing like (is capital)!* 12. ~time adv., for ~ time, as *have been waiting ~ time, at ~ time, as must see him about it ~ time*; ~time adv. & a. (arch.), formerly), as *was ~time mayor of Barnstable, (the) ~time sheriff*; ~times adv., at ~ times, as *have ~times thought, is ~times hot & ~times cold*. 13. ~way, in ~ way. 14. ~what, (adv.) in ~ degree, as *it is ~what difficult, was ~what puzzled, answered ~what hastily*, (pron., arch. exo. when indisting. f. adv.) *found ~what to detain him, loses ~what (perh. adv.) in the telling, loses ~what of its force*. 15. ~ when (rare, affected), at ~ time or other. 16. ~where, in, at, to, ~ place, as *lives ~where near us, sent him ~where, Burton says ~where in the Anatomy, will see him ~where (in hell etc.) first*. 17. ~whether*

(arch.), to ~ place. [OE *sum*, cf. ON *sumr*, Da. *somme* pl.]

-some, -som, suf. forming adj., OE *-sum*, repr. Du. *-saam*, G. *-sam*; joined to nn. w. sense 'adapted to, productive of', as *handsome, quarrelsome, gladsome* (f. obs. *glad n.*), to adj., as *lithesome* (also *lissom*), *blithesome*, *fulsome*, & to trans. vbs w. sense 'apt to', as *tiresome, winsome, wearisome, gruesome* (f. *grue* in impers. trans. use *it grues me*). Written -om in *lissom, buzom*, etc.; in *two, three, four, -some* the suf. was orig. the pronoun OE *sum* some; -som in RANSOM is of dif. orig.

so'mersault, -sēt¹, (sū-), n., & v.i. 1. Spring, bound, in which person turns heels over head (*double, treble*, ~, twice, thrice) in the air; *turn a ~, make such spring*. 2. v.i. Turn ~. [f. OF *sombre saut* f. Pr. *sobresaut* f. L *supra* above + *saltus* -us leap (*saltire*)]

|| so'mersēt² (sū-), n. Padded saddle esp. for one-legged rider. [f. Lord F. S~, who used one]

So'mersēt House (sū-), n. Building in London containing chief place of deposit of proved wills, & inland revenue offices, & often mentioned allusively in these connexions.

sōm'ite, n. Segment of (esp. articulate or vertebrate) animal body, metamere. Hence sōm'it'ic a. [f. Gk *sōma* body + -itēs¹(2)]

sōmnām'būl'ism, n. Walking or performing other action during sleep; condition of brain inducing this; *artificial ~ism, hypnotism*. Hence or cogn. ~ANT (rare), -is'tic, aa., ~ATE² v.i. (rare), ~IST n. [f. L *somnus* sleep + *ambulare* walk]

sōmni- in comb. = L *somnus* sleep, as: ~f'erous, inducing sleep, narcotic; ~l'oquence, ~l'oquism, ~l'oquy, habit of talking in sleep; ~l'oquous, ~l'oquist, (person) given to this; ~p'athist, hypnotic subject; ~p'athy, hypnotic sleep.

sōm'nolent, a. Sleepy, drowsy; inducing drowsiness; (Path.) in state between sleeping & waking. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nm., ~entl² adv. [f. L *somnolentus*, -nul- (*somnus* sleep, see -LENT)]

sōm'nolism, n. Hypnotic sleep. [f. prec. + -ISM]

son (sūn), n. 1. Male child of a parent (~ & heir, esp. eldest ~); ~in-law, one's daughter's husband; *he is his father's ~* (like, worthy of, his father). 2. *The Son of Man*, (N.T.) Christ, the Messiah, (O.T.) descendant of Adam, esp. as form of address in *Isaiah*; *the ~s of men, mankind*; *the Son (of God)*, = GOD² the SON. 3. ~ of a son; every MORMON²'s ~. 4. Descendant, as ~s of Abraham. 5. (As form of address esp. of old man to young man, confessor to penitent, etc.) *way ~*.

6. ~ of the soil, recognisable native of a district, worker on the land, dweller in the country. 7. Native of a country, as *Britain's ~s*. 8. Person viewed as inheriting an occupation, quality, etc., as ~ of toil, ~ of Mars (soldier), ~ (= man) of bellial, ~s of light, darkness, etc.; *Sons of Liberty, of the (American) Revolution, etc.*, American patriotic etc. organizations. Hence ~LESS a., ~SHIP n. [OE *sunu*, cf. Du. *soon*, G. *sohn*, ON *sunr*, *sonr*]

-son, suf., = -TION in some wds f. F, as *reason, season* (F *raison, saison*, L *rationem, rationem*), *treason* (OF *trahison*, L *traditionem*), *benison* (OF *beneison*, L *benedictionem*), *poison*, *venison*, *orison*, *comparison*.

son'ant, a. & n. (Sound, letter) capable of being sounded continuously, accompanied by vocal vibration, voiced, not surd, (e.g. b, d, g, j, v, z). Hence ~ANCY n. [f. L *sonare* sound (*sonus*), see -ANT]

sona'ta (-nah-), n. Composition for one instrument (e.g. piano) or two (e.g. piano & violin), normally with three or four movements (one or more being usu. in ~ form) contrasted in rhythm & speed but related in key; ~ form, type of composition in which two themes ('subjects') are successively set forth, developed, & restated. [It. (as prec., see -ADE)]

sonati'na (-tè-), n. Simple or short form of sonata. [It., dim. of prec.]

song, n. 1. Singing, vocal music, as *burst forth into ~*; musical cry of some birds (~birds). 2. Short poem set to music or meant to be sung; short poem in rhymed stanzas; poetry, verse, as *renowned in ~*. 3. (Mus.) ~ form, mode of composition usu. in three sections, the first & third being nearly the same & the second contrasted with the first. 4. *Bought, sold, it for a ~ or an old ~* (mere trifle); *nothing to make a ~ about* (colloq.), of very trifling importance; *S ~ of NEGLECTS or accents* (in O.T., Psalms 120-134); *S ~ of S ~s*, *S ~ of Solomon*, Canticles; ~PLUG'ging; ~THRUSH'1; ~sparrow, hedge-sparrow & other birds. Hence ~LESS a. [OE, Da., G. *sang*, cf. Du. *sang*; as SING]

song'ster, n. Singer; song-bird; poet. Hence ~RESS'1 n. [-STER]

soniferous, a. Conveying or producing sound. [f. L *sonus* sound + -FEROUS]

sonn'et, n. Poem of 14 lines (usu. rhyming thus; *pig bat cat wig fig hat rat fig; lie red sob die bed rob or lie red die bed pie wed*); or otherwise e.g. as in Shakespeare's ~s; ~ sequence, a set of ~s connected in theme; (now rare) any short lyric. So ~MER' (usu. derog.), (n.) composer of ~s, (V.A. & t.) compose ~s, celebrate in ~s ~s ta. [F, f. It. *sonetto* (suono 'a., -ME')]

son'ny (st-), n. Familiar form of address to a boy. [f. SON + Y']

sonom'eter, n. Kinds of instrument for testing deaf person's hearing, measuring sounds, etc. [f. L *sonus* sound + -METER]

sonorés'cient, a. (Of hard rubber etc.) emitting sounds corresponding to pulsations of radiant heat or light. So ~SON n. [as SONOROUS + -SCIENT]

sonorif'ic, a. Producing (esp. other than vocal) sound. [as foll. + FIC]

sonor'ous, a. Resonant; loud-sounding; (of speech, style, etc.) high-sounding, imposing; ~ figures (formed in layer of sand etc. by sound-vibration); ~ rale (heard in some diseases). Hence or cogn. sonor'ITY, ~NESS, nn., ~LY' adv. [f. L *sonorus* (sonor sound f. *sonare* vb) + -OUS]

|| sön'sy, a. (Sc.). Plump, buxom; of cheerful disposition (esp. in phr. ~ lass). [ult. f. Gael. *sonas* good fortune]

sōō'ee (-ji), n. Flour ground from Indian wheat; food resembling semolina prepared from this. [Hind. *sūji*]

soon, adv. 1. Not long after the present time or time in question or after specified time, in a short time, as *shall ~ know the result, was ~ convinced of his error, arrived ~ after four, ~ after the gate was closed, least said ~est mended*. 2. As (or so, esp. after negative, or when causality or other close connexion is suggested) ~ as, the moment that, not later than, as early as, as came as (or so) ~ as I heard of it, *will get there as ~ as they (do), did not arrive so (or as) ~ as I expected, drops his fine theories so (or as) ~ as they clash with his interests, so ~ as (ever) there is any talk of paying he cools down*. 3. (With expressed or implied comparison) willingly, as *I would just as ~ stay at home (as go), would ~er die than let him (or than that he should) find it out, which would you ~est do?* 4. Early, as *what makes you come so ~?*; *you spoke too ~*; *we had no ~er sat down than (the moment we sat down) she burst into tears; no ~er said than done*, it was done the moment it was proposed etc.; *the ~er the better; you will repent it ~er or later* (some day, in the long run). [OE *sōna*, cf. OHG *adn*]

sōōt, n., & v.t. 1. Black substance rising in fine flakes in the smoke of wood, coal, oil, etc., during combustion & sticking to sides of chimney etc., used as fertilizer; ~cancer, ~wart, disease of scrotum in sweeps. Hence ~LY' adv., ~INESS n., ~LESS, ~Y', aa. 2. v.t. Cover with ~. [OE & ON *sōt*, cf. Da. *sod*]

|| sōōt'erkin, n. (arch.). Dutch woman's false birth produced by sitting over stove; (fig.) abortive scheme. [!]

|| sōōth, n. (arch.). Truth, fact, esp. in (good) ~, really, truly. [OE *sōth* (for *seath*), cf. ON *sannr*, Sw. *sanna*, Da. *sand*, true]

sooth[-(dh), v.t. Calm (person, nerves, passions); soften, mitigate, (pain); flatter, humour, (person, his vanity). Hence ~ER¹ (-dh-) n. (in vbl senses, & esp. rubber teat for child to suck), ~ingly¹ (-dh-) adv. [OE (ge)sothian confirm, assent to (ge- Y- + soth SOOTH)]

|| **soothfast** (-ah-), a. (arch.). Truthful; true; loyal, steadfast. [OE sothfast (SOOTH, cf. STEADFAST)]

soothsayer, n. One who foretells the future, diviner. Hence soothsay v.i. [SOOTH + SAY + -ER¹]

sop, n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Piece of bread etc. dipped in broth etc. (~ in the pan, fried bread); MILK~; something given (to formidable or troublesome animal, person, etc., esp. to Cerberus) to pacify, bribe. 2. v.t. Soak (bread etc. in broth etc.), take up (water etc.) by absorption in towel etc., wet thoroughly. 3. v.i. Be drenched, as am ~ping with rain, clothes are ~ping (vbl n. as adv.) wet, whence ~p'Y¹ a., || also (colloq.) full of mawkish sentiment. [OE sopp n., soppian vb, cf. ON soppa n.; cogn. w. sūpan SUP]

sophism, n. False argument intended to deceive (cf. PARALOGISM). [ME & OF sophisme f. L f. Gk sophisma (as foll., see -M)]

sophist, n. Ancient-Greek paid teacher of philosophy & rhetoric; captious or fallacious reasoner, quibbler. Hence or cogn. **sophis**tic(AL) aa., **sophis**tically¹ adv., ~RY(4, 5) n. [f. L f. Gk sophistēs (sophizō instruct f. sophos wise, -IST)]

sophister, n. (hist.). Student of varying seniority at some English & American universities. [f. OF sophistre var. as prec.]

sophisticate, v.t. & i. Involve (subject) in sophistry; mislead (person) thus; deprive (person, thing) of simplicity, make artificial; (p.p. of person) worldly-wise; tamper with (text etc.) for purposes of argument etc.; use sophistry; adulterate (wine etc.). So ~ATION n. [f. med. L sophisticare (sophisticus sophistic), see -ATE¹]

sophomōre, n. Second-year university student. [prob. f. sophom obs. var. of SOPHISM + -OR¹]

Soph'y, n. (hist.). Ruler of Persia in 16th & 17th cc. [f. Pers. Cašt surname of dynasty]

soporific, a. & n. (Drug) tending to produce sleep. So ~IFEROUS a. [f. L sopor sleep + -i- + -fic]

sopranō (-rah-), n. (pl. -nos, -ni pr. -nē). (Music for) highest female or boy's voice, treble (often attrib.); (also ~IST n.) singer with this. [It. (sopra above f. L supra)]
-sor, suf. forming agent-nn. on L p.p. st. in -s-, as professor; see -OR¹.

sora, n. Bird frequenting marshes of Carolina etc. in autumn & used as food. [native]

sorb, n. Service-tree; (also ~apple) its

fruit. Hence ~ATE¹(S) n., ~IO a., (chem.). [f. L sorbus]

sorbéfacient (-shnt), a. & n. (med.). (Drug etc.) causing absorption. [f. L sorbere suck in + -FACIENT]

sorbet, n. Flavoured water-ice; = SHERBET. [F, as SHERBET]

Sorbōnnē, n. (Hist.) theological faculty in University of Paris having great influence in 16th & 17th cc.; the seat of the Académie de Paris & of the faculties of science & literature. [F, f. Il. de Sorbon, founder about 1250]

sorcerer, n. User of magic arts, wizard, enchanter (often fig.). So ~ESS¹, **sor**cery (4, 5), nn. [earlier sorcer f. OF sorcier f. LL sortarius caster of lots (sors -ritia lot, see -ARY¹) + -ER¹]

sordamēn'tē, adv. (mus.). In a muffled manner. [It.]

sordid, a. Mean, niggardly; ignoble, base; (Bot., Zool., of colours) impure, muddy, as ~ blue; (arch.) dirty, squalid. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. F sordide f. L sordidus (sordere be dirty, sordes filth, see -ID¹)]

sordine (-ēn), n. (mus.). Mute for bowed or wind instruments; damper of piano string. [f. It. sordina f. L as SORD]

sore, a., n., & adv. 1. (Of parts of body, person) morbidly tender, as has a ~ arm, is FOOT~, (clergyman's) ~ THROAT, touched him on a ~ place (often fig.), a sight for ~ eyes (welcome, pleasant), like a bear with a ~ head (grumpy); irritated, aggrieved, touchy, as is very ~ about his defeat; arousing painful feelings, irritating, esp. a ~ subject; (arch., poet.) distressing, grievous, severe, as in ~ distress, a ~ struggle, affliction ~ long time he bore, whence ~LY¹ (-ri-) adv. 2. n. ~ place on body e.g. where skin or flesh is bruised or inflamed; (fig.) ~ subject, painful memory, esp. re-open old ~s; RED~, EYE~. 3. adv. Grievously, severely, as ~ oppressed, beaten, afflicted. Hence ~NESS (-rn-) n. [(n. & adv. f. adj.) OE sdr painful, cf. Du. zeer sore, ON adrr sore, G sehr sorely, very]

sorel. See SORREL¹.

sorghum (-gum), n. Kinds of grass including millet & Chinese sugar-cane. [mod. L, f. It. sorgo etym. dub.]

soricine, a. Of, related to, the shrew-mouse. [f. L soricinus (sorex -icis shrew-mouse, -INE¹)]

soritēs (-z), n. Chain-syllogism (e.g. a cat is a quadruped, quadruped is an animal, animal is a substance; therefore a cat is a substance); form of sophism leading by gradual steps from truth to absurdity & based on the absence of precise, esp. numerical, limits to terms (e.g. a man with only 1 hair is bald, therefore a man with 2, 3, 4, . . . 10,000, hairs is bald). So **sor**itism a. [f. Gk soritēs lit. heaper (sorex heap, see -INE¹)]

|| **sōra**, v.i. (So.). Obtrude oneself on (person) for bed & board. Hence ~^{ER} n. [f. obs. Ir. *sorham* free quarters]

sorōp/timist, n. Member of an international association of women's clubs. [app. f. L *soror* sister + OPTIMIST]

sorō'rity, n. Devotional sisterhood; *women's society in college or university. [f. med. L *sororitas* (L *soror* sister), after *fraternily*]

sorō'sis, n. (bot.). Fleshy compound fruit, e.g. pineapple, mulberry. [as SORUS + OSIS]

|| **sō'rra**, adv. (Ir., sl.). Not, never, (~ a one, a bit, etc., = the devil a). [= sorrow]

sō'rrel¹, n. Kinds of acid-loaved herb allied with dock. [f. OF *sorele* f. Teut. *sār* SOUR]

sō'rrel², a. & n. (Of) reddish-brown colour; ~ animal esp. horse; (also *sorel*) buck of third year. [f. OF *sorel* ~ horse, dim. of *sor* ~ (horse), etym. dub.]

sō'rrōw (-ō), n., & v.i. 1. Grief, sadness, caused by loss of good or occurrence of evil, whence ~FUL (-rof-) a., ~FULLY² adv., ~FULNESS n.; occasion of this, misfortune, trouble, as *has had many ~s, much ~*; the *Man of S~s*, Christ; ~-stricken (with ~); lamentation, as *his ~ was loud & long*. 2. v.i. Grieve, feel ~, (at, over, for, misfortune etc., for, i.e. on behalf of, person etc.), mourn (after, for, lost person or thing), whence ~^{ER} (-ōer) n., ~ING² (-rōl-) a. [ME *sorwe*, OE & ON *sory*, cf. Du. *sory*, G *sorge*]

sō'rry, a. Feeling regret, regretful, as *will be ~ for this some day*, felt ~ for him (on his account), ~ for oneself (colloq. = depressed), am ~ for (regret) that, am so ~ (that) you must go, am ~ to hear it, (as informal apology for trifling offence) ~!; (literary) wretched, paltry, shabby, of poor quality, as a ~ fellow, in a ~ plight, in ~ clothes, a ~ excuse, whence **sō'rriy**² adv., **sō'rriiness** n. [OE *sdrig* (SORE, -Y²); not connected w. prec.]

sōrt¹, n. 1. Group of things etc. with common attributes, class, kind, species, as *biscuits of several ~s*, a *new ~ of bicycle*, *people of every ~ & kind*; of ~s, (in inventories etc.) unassorted, mixed. 2. (In foll. uses = KIND¹) *nothing of the ~*, *coffee of a ~*, *what ~ of tree?*, (colloq.) *these ~ of men*, a ~ of stockbroker etc., I ~ of expected it; a ~ of war etc., a war etc. of a ~ or colloq. of ~s, not fully deserving the name; (colloq.) *an awfully good ~* (of person), *that's your ~* (the way to do it). 3. (arch.). Manner, way, as *in seemly, courteous*, etc., ~; after or in a ~ (= FASHION); in some ~ (literary), to a certain extent. 4. (Print.) any letter or piece in count of type, as *copy is hard (or runs) on ~s* (requires many of some ~s). 5. Out of ~s, out of health, spirits, or temper. (Print.) short of ~s. [f. OF *sorte* f. L *sortem* (nam. *sors*) lot, chance, state]

sōrt², v.t. & i. 1. Separate into sorts (often *over*, *out*); select (things of one sort) from miscellaneous group, as ~ed *out those of the largest size*. 2. (arch.). Correspond or agree with (his actions ~ ill, well, with his professions). Hence ~^{ABLE} a., ~^{ER} n. [f. prec.]

sōrt'ēs (-z), n. pl. ~ *Virgilian'ae*, *Biblicae* or *Sac'rae*, *Homēricae*, divination by chance selection of passages from Virgil, the Bible, or Homer. [L, pl. as SORT¹]

sōrt'ie (-tē), n. 1. Sally esp. of beleaguered garrison. 2. Operational flight by one aircraft. [F, f. *sortir* go out, etym. dub.]

sōrt'ilège, n. Divination by lots. [f. OF *sortilege* f. med. L *sortilegium* f. L *sortilegus* a. (as SORT¹ + *legere* choose, read)]

sōrti'tion, n. Casting of lots. [f. L *sortitio* (*sortiri* cast lots)]

sōrt'us, n. (bot.; pl. sōrt'i). Heap, cluster, esp. of spore-cases on back of fern-frond. [f. Gk *sōros* heap]

-**sory**, sufl., a spec. form of -ORY in aa. or nn. f. L vbs that form p.p. in -s-, as *accessory* (*cedere* cess-), *promissory* (*mittere* miss-).

S O S (sō'sōs'), n. Wireless code-signal of extreme distress; broadcast appeal to (otherwise untraceable) person (to visit dying relative etc.); (transf.) any despairing cry or action. [arbitrary]

sō-sō, pred. a. & adv. Not very good. [so]

sōstenu'tō (-nōō-), adv. (mus.). In sustained or prolonged manner. [It.]

sōt, n., & v.i. (-tt-). 1. Confirmed drunkard, person stupefied by habitual drunkenness. 2. v.i. Tiptle. Hence ~t'ish¹ a., ~t'ishly² adv., ~t'ishness n. [OF, = fool, etym. dub.; cf. Du. *sot*, med. L *sottus*]

Soth'eb'y's (sūthe-), n. A sale-room in London for books, MSS., etc.

Sōth'ic, a. Of the dog-star, esp. ~ *year* (Egyptian, fixed by hellacal rising of dog-star), ~ *cycle* (of 1480 ~ or 1461 solar years). [f. Gk *Sōthis* f. Egypt. name of dog-star]

sōtt'ō vō'ce (-chē), adv. In an undertone, aside. [It., = beneath the voice]

sou (sōb), n. (pl. -s pr. -z). (Hist.) French coin of various values; (loosely) five-centime piece; (colloq.) *hasn't a ~* (a farthing, any money). [F]

soubrette (sōbrēt'), n. Maid-servant or similar character (esp. w. implication of pertness, coquetry, intrigue, etc.) in comedy. [F]

sou'cār (sow-), **sow'kār**, n. Hindu banker or money-lender. [Hind. *adhakār* great merchant]

sou'chōng (sōsh-), n. Kind of black tea made from youngest leaves. [F, f. Chin. *siac* small + *ching* sort]

S(e)udanese (sōdānēs'), a. & n. (pl. same).

(Inhabitant) of the Soudan, district of Africa south of Sahara. [-NESS]

souffle (sɒfʌ), n. (med.). Low murmur heard in auscultation of various organs etc. [F. f. *souffler* blow f. L. *sufflare* blow]

soufflé (sɒfʌ), a. & n. 1. Made light & frothy, as omelet ~. 2. n. Such dish, usu. made with beaten whites of eggs. [F. p.p. as prec.]

sough (stif, sow, sɒʒ), n., & v.i. (Make) moaning, whistling, or rushing sound as of wind in trees etc. [OE *swoðgan* resound, prob. limit.]

sought. See **SEEK**.

soul (sɒl), n. 1. The immaterial part of man, as *immortality of the ~*, *commend one's ~ to God* (of person at point of death), *'pon my ~* (asseveration). 2. Moral & emotional part of man, as *his whole ~ revolted from it*, *COURT* of ~s, *has a ~ above sherry & bitters*. 3. Intellectual part of man, vital principle & mental powers of animals including man, as *keep BODY* & ~ together, *cannot call his ~ his own* (is dominated by another). 4. Animating or essential part, person viewed as this, as *he was the (life &) ~ of the enterprise, of the party*. 5. Person viewed as embodying moral or intellectual qualities, as *the greatest ~s of antiquity*, *left that to meander ~s*. 6. (Often without a) emotional or intellectual energy e.g. as revealed in work of art, as *the fellow has no ~*, *his pictures lack ~*. 7. (Of persons) personification or pattern of (is the ~ of honour, is incapable of dishonourable conduct). 8. Departed spirit, as *ALL S~s' Day*; disembodied spirit. 9. Person, as *not a ~ to speak to for miles round*, *ship went down with 200 ~s*; (expr. familiarity, patronage, pity, contempt, etc.) *my good ~*, *there's a good ~*, *the poor little ~ had lost her way*, *a simple ~*. 10. (In comb.) ~-destroying, ~-stirring, ~-subduing, etc. Hence (-)~**ED** (sɒld), ~**LESS** (sɒl-l-), a., ~**LESSLY** adv., ~**LESSNESS** n. [OE *saw(e)*, -ol, -ul, of Du. *siel*, G *seele*]

soulful (sɒl-), a. Having, expressing, appealing to, the (esp. higher) emotional or intellectual qualities. Hence ~**LY** adv., ~**NESS** n. [-FUL]

sound¹, a. & adv. 1. Healthy, not diseased nor injured nor rotten, as *a ~ body*, ~ *mind*, ~ *in life & limb*, ~ *fruit, timbers, ship*; correct, logical, well-founded, judicious, as ~ *doctrine, theologian, argument, views, policy*, *is he ~ on free trade?*; (Commerc., of company etc.) solvent; thorough, unqualified, as *a ~ sleep(er)*, *flogging*. 2. adv. ~**LY**, as ~ (fast) *asleep*, *will sleep the ~er for it*. Hence ~**LY** adv., ~**NESS** n. [ME. Da., Sw., *sund*, of OE & G *gesund*, Du. *gezond*]

sound², n., & v.i. & t. 1. The sensation produced through the ear, what is or may be heard; vibrations causing this sensation i. musical ~ (produced by non-

tinuous & regular vibrations, opp. to noise); any of a series of articulate utterances, as *vowel, consonant, ~s*; mere words (~ & *fury*); (fig.) mental impression produced by oral or other statement etc., as *will have a queer ~*, *don't like the ~ of it*. 2. ~**board**, = ~**ing-board**; ~**bow**, thick edge of bell against which tongue strikes; ~**film**, cinema film with audible dialogue, songs, etc. recorded on ~**track**; ~**hole**, *post*, hole in belly, small prop between belly & back, of some stringed instruments; ~**room**²; ~**track**, on side of cinema film recording ~; ~**wave** (of condensation & rarefaction, by which ~ is propagated in elastic medium e.g. air). 3. vb. Give forth ~, as *the trumpets ~*; (w. ref. to impression created, often fig.) ~*s to me like something cracking*, ~*s as if a tap were running*, ~*s as if he wanted to back out of it*, *will ~ very strange to say you hadn't time*, *that (excuse etc.) ~s very hollow*, *that (report, explanation) ~s all right* (promising, plausible, etc.); (part.) having more ~ than sense or truth, as ~*ing rhetoric, promises, imposing*, as ~*ing titles*; make (trumpet etc.) ~; utter, as ~ *a note of alarm*; pronounce (the *h* in *hour* is not ~ed); give notice of (an alarm, the retreat, etc.) with bell etc.; cause to resound, make known, as ~ *his praises far & wide*; test (railway-carriage wheel etc., lunge etc.) by noting ~ produced by hammer, by auscultation. 4. ~**ing-board**, canopy over pulpit etc. serving to direct ~ towards audience, thin plate of wood in musical instrument increasing ~. Hence ~**LESS** a. [(n.) AF *son* f. OF *son* f. L *sonus*, for -d of LEND, *ROUND*², *HIND*²; (vb) f. OF *soner* f. L *sonare*]

sound³, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Test the depth of (sea, channel, pond, etc., or abs.) & the quality of its bottom with ~**ing-line** or ~**apparatus** or ~**machine** (often furnished with cup etc. for bringing up sample); find depth of water in (ship's hold) with ~**ing-rod**; get records of temperature, humidity, pressure, etc. from (upper atmosphere) with ~**ing-balloon**; (Med.) examine (bladder etc.) with probe; (of fish, esp. whale) dive to the bottom; inquire esp. in cautious or reserved manner into the sentiments or inclination of (person about, on, as to). 2. n. Surgeon's probe. [(n. f. vb) f. F *sonder* (sonde *sound*⁴)]

sound⁴, n. 1. Narrow passage of water connecting two seas or sea with lake etc., strait. 2. Fish's air-bladder; cuttle-fish. [OE, ON, Da., Sw., G., *sund*, cogn. w. SWIM, = variously swimming, water, sea, strait, air-bladder, ferry]

sounder¹, n. || (Arch.) herd of wild swine; (pseudo-arch.) young wild boar. [L. OF *sunder* f. Teut. cogn. of OE *suner*, OHG *suner*]

sound'er, *n.* In vbl senses of **SOUND**², esp. telegraphic receiving instrument for reading message by sound. [-ER¹]

sound'er, *n.* In vbl senses of **SOUND**²; **echo**~, apparatus for sounding by measuring time-interval between transmission of a note & receipt of its echo from the sea-bed; **flying**~, sounding-apparatus that can be used without reducing ship's speed. [-ER¹]

sound'ing, *n.* In vbl senses of **SOUND**², also (pl.) place near enough to shore to admit of~, as *be in, come into*, ~s. [-ING¹]

soup (sɒp), *n.* Liquid food made of stock & other ingredients (*in the*~, sl., in difficulties); # (legal sl.) prosecution brief given to junior barrister at Quarter Sessions etc.; ~*kitchen*, public establishment for supplying ~ gratis to the poor; ~*ticket* (entitling holder to ~ at ~*kitchen*); ~ *maigre* (-ger), thin ~ chiefly of vegetables; ~*plate*, deep kind for ~; FEA ~. Hence ~Y² a. [f. F *soupe* (*souper* SUP)]

souppon (see Ap.), *n.* Very small quantity, dash, (of flavouring, quality, etc.). [F]

sour (sɔw), *a.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Of acid taste, esp. as result of unripeness, as ~ *apples*, ~ *grapes*, or of fermentation, as ~ *milk*, *bread*; (of smell) suggestive of fermentation; (of soil) dank; (of person or temper) harsh, peevish, morose; ~ *dock*, common sorrel. 2. *vb.* Make, become, ~ (esp. fig.), as ~ed by *misfortune*. Hence ~Y² a., ~Y² *v.* ~Y² *n.* [OE *sūr*, cf. Du. *suur*, G *sauer*, ON *surr*]

source (sɔs), *n.* Spring, fountain-head, from which stream issues, as the ~s of the Nile; origin, place from which thing comes or is got, as the ~ of all our woes, *reliable* ~ of information, drawn from all ~s; ~*book* [transl. of G *quellenbuch*], book or collection of original documents serving as material for the historical study of a subject. [f. OF *source*, fem. p.p. as *n.* of *sourdre* rise f. L *surgere*]

souridine (soordén'), *n.* Harmonium stop producing soft effect; = **SORDINE**. [F, cf. **SORDINE**]

sourdough (sowr'dò), *n.* One who has spent one or more winters in Alaska; old-timer. [dial., = leaven; SOUR + DOUGH]

sour-sòp (sowr-), *n.* A W.-Ind. fruit & tree. [SOUR + SOP]

souse, *n.*, *v.t.* & *i.*, & *adv.* 1. Pickle made with salt; food in pickle, esp. head, feet, & ears, of swine; dip, plunge, drenching, in water. 2. *vb.* Put in pickle, as ~d *mackerel*; plunge (t. & i., into liquid), soak (thing in liquid), throw (liquid over things); (p.p.) drunk (sl.). 3. *adv.* With swift descent, headlong, as *came ~ into our midst*. [vb f. *n.*, OF *sous* *pickle* f. OHG *sulea* (salisan to salt); *adv.* partly f. obs. *souse* swoop cogn. w. *source*]

souache (so'tahsh), *n.* Ornamental

braid for sewing on fabric in designs. [F, f. Hung. *szussak* ringlet]

soutane (so'tahn'), *n.* (R.-C. Ch.). Priest's cassock. [F]

souteneur (so'tenér'), *n.* Man cohabiting with & living on the earnings of a prostitute. [F, = protector]

south, *adv.*, *n.*, *a.*, (abbr. S.), & *v.i.* 1. (Towards, at, near) point of horizon directly opposite to north; point of compass opposite north; DUE¹ ~; ~ EY¹ *east* or *west*; ~ of, farther ~ than; ~ ~*west*, etc., *adv.*, *aa.*, & *nn.*, POINT¹ of the compass, corresponding regions, (with uses & derivatives corresp. to those of ~, e.g. ~ ~*easterly*); # southern part of England, Scotland, Ireland, or Europe; the Southern STATE¹s; ~ (wind), wind from the ~; ~*east*, ~*west*, (abbr. S.E., S.W.) London postal districts.

2. *adj.* Situated or dwelling in, looking towards, the ~; S~ *Downs* (of Hampshire & Sussex); ~*down* a. & *n.*, (sheep) of a breed originating on S~ Downs esteemed for their flesh; S~ *Kenington*, (used for) the museums of S~ Kensington or the atmosphere of culture & art & instruction associated w. them; S~ *Sea* (hist.), the Pacific; S~ *Sea Bubble*, scheme for trading in Spanish America, which collapsed in 1720. 3. *v.i.* Move towards ~, (of moon etc.) cross the meridian of a place. Hence ~WARD a. & *n.*, ~WARD(s) *adv.* [OE *sūth*, cf. ON *súthr*]

southeas'ter, **south'er**, *nn.* Wind from SE, from S. [-ER¹]

sou'therly (súdh-), *a.* & *adv.* Towards the south; (of wind) blowing from the south. [f. SOUTH, as **EASTERLY**]

sou'thern (súdh-), *a.* & *n.* 1. Of, in, the south; S~ **HEMISPHERE**, **CROSS**¹, **CONFEDERACY**, **STATES**; looking south, as a ~ *aspect*; (of wind, rare)=prec. 2. *n.* Inhabitant of the south, esp. of the S~ States, whence ~ER¹ *n.*; ~*wood*, kind of wormwood with scented leaves. Hence ~MOST a. [-ERN]

south'ing, *n.* In vbl senses, also (Naut.) difference of latitude made in sailing south. [-ING¹]

sou'thron (súdh-), *a.* & *n.* (arch. Sc.). English, Englishman, (usu. derog.). [var. of **SOUTHERN**]

southwés'ter, *n.* Wind from SW.; (usu. *sou'wés'ter*) waterproof hat with broad brim behind to protect neck. [-ER¹]

souvenir (so'v'énér'), *n.* Thing given, kept, etc., to recall the past, memento (of occasion, place, etc.); also in the 1914-18 war, as French children's request for keepsake to foreign soldiers. [F (*n.* f. vb), = remember, souvenir, f. L *sub-venire* come) occur to the mind]

sòv'reign (-vrín), *a.* & *n.* 1. Supreme, as ~ *power*, the ~ *good* (= SUMMUM BONUM); lofty, as *with ~ contempt*; possessing ~ *power*, as ~ *States*, royal, as *our* ~ *lord*, whence ~TY (-vrín-) *n.*; very good, esp.

a ~ *remedy*; hence ~LY² adv. (arch.).
2. n. Supreme ruler, esp. monarch;
 || (colloq. abbr. *sov*) English gold coin
 worth £1; || *half* ~, gold coin worth 10s.
 [(n. f. adj.) f. OF *soverain* f. LL *supra-*
(anus -AX); -g- by assoc. w. *reign*]

sov'iet, S-, n. Any of the councils elected
 by the workers & soldiers of a district
 in revolutionary Russia, or of a smaller
 number elected by these, or the all-
 Russian congress of delegates from these
 latter; *Union of S- Socialist Republics*
 (abbr. U.S.S.R.), the revolutionary
 government of Russia; the *S-*, Russia;
 (attrib. usu. *S-*) Russian. [Russ.]

sov'1 (sō), v.t. (-ed, ~n or ~ed). Scatter
 (seed, or abs.) on or in the earth for
 purpose of growth; (fig.) ~ (the seeds
 of) *dissension* etc., must reap what you
 have ~n, ~ the wind (see WHIRL); plant
 (field etc. with seed) by ~ing; (fig.) cover
 thickly with. Hence ~EE¹(1, 2), ~ING¹,
 nn. [OE *sāvan*, cf. Du. *zaaien*, G *säen*,
 ON *sā*]

sov'2, n. 1. Adult female hog; *get the
 wrong* ~ by the ear, fix on wrong person or
 thing, reach wrong conclusion; as *drunk*
 as a ~ (completely). **2.** (Also ~bug) wood-
 louse. **3.** Main trough through which
 molten iron runs into side-channels to
 form pigs, large block of iron that solidi-
 fies in this. **4.** ~back, low ridge of sand
 etc.; ~breed, kind of cyclamen; ~
thistle, plant with small yellow flowers
 & milky juice. [OE *sugu*, cf. Du. *sog*,
 G *sau*, ON *sgr*]

sovar (sūwār'), n. Indian cavalry
 trooper. [Hind. & Pers. *savār* horseman]

soy, n. Kind of sauce made in Japan &
 China from the SOYA BEAN. [f. Jap. *shoyu*]

soy'a, (now rarely) soy, bean, n. (Seed
 of) a leguminous plant of south-eastern
 Asia, yielding an edible oil (~ oil) & *soya*
meal or *flour* used for cattle & human
 food. [prec.]

sōz'led (-ld), a. (sl.). Very drunk. [p.p.
 of *sozzle* dial. to mix sloppily (prob. imit.)]

spa (-ah, -aw), n. (Place where there is a)
 mineral spring. [*Spa*, place in Belgium]

space¹, n. 1. Continuous extension viewed
 with or without reference to the existence
 of objects within it. **2.** Interval between
 points or objects viewed as having one,
 two, or three dimensions, as *separated by*
a ~ of 10 ft, *clear a ~ (area)*, *box occupies*
too much ~, *would take up too much ~* (on
 paper) *to go into detail*. **3.** (Print.) blank
 between words etc., type securing this.
4. Interval of time, as *in the ~ of an hour*,
after a short ~, *let us rest a ~*. **5.** ~bar,
 bar in typewriter for making ~ between
 words; ~time (Philos.), a fusion of the
 concepts of ~ & time, regarded as a
 continuum in which the existent exists,
 & as the fourth dimension non-recognition
 of which confines the Euclidean or
 three-dimensional geometry to the range

of practical experience & leaves it philo-
 sophically assailable beyond that range;
 ~writer, ~writing (in newspaper, paid
 according to area occupied). Hence
 ~LESS (-sl-) a. [f. *F espace* f. L *spatium*]
space², v.t. & i. Set at intervals, put
 spaces between, (esp. words, letters, lines,
 in printing); make a space between words
 on typewriter etc., as *don't forget to ~*,
 whence *spā'cer²(2) n.*; ~out (Print.), put
 more or wider spaces between. Hence
spā'cing¹(1) n. [f. prec.]

spā'cious (-shus), a. Enclosing a large
 space, roomy. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS
 n. [f. *F spacieux* f. L *spatiosus* (as *SPACE¹*,
 see -OUS)]

spāde, n. & v.t. 1. Tool for digging & cut-
 ting ground, turf, etc., with sharp-edged
 iron blade & wooden handle used with
 both hands; *call a ~ a ~*, call things by
 their names, speak plainly or bluntly;
 tool of similar shape for various purposes,
 e.g. for removing blubber from whale;
 ~bayonet (with broad blade, used as both
 ~ & weapon); ~husbandry (with deep ~
 digging instead of subsoil-ploughing). **2.**
 (Playing-card with) black figure(s) shaped
 like heart with small handle; (pl.) suit
 of these cards; ~guinea (of George III
 with shield shaped like ~ on cards). **3.** ~work,
 (fig.) hard work with atten-
 tion to details. **4.** v.t. Dig over (ground),
 cut blubber from (whale), with ~. Hence
 ~FUL (-fūl) n. [OE *spadu* perh. f. LG
 (Da., Sw., Norw., *spade*), cogn. w. L f.
 Gk *spathē* broad blade; in card sense
 f. Gk thr. Sp. *espada* sword]

|| **spādg'er, n. (sl.).** Corrupt. of SPARROW.

spadille, n. Ace of spades in ombre
 & quadrille. [F, f. Sp. *espadilla* dim. as
 SPADE]

spād'ix, n. (bot.; pl. ~ices pr. -is'ēz).
 Spike of flowers closely arranged round
 fleshy axis & usu. enclosed in a spathe.
 Hence or cogn. ~i'CREOUS (-ishus), ~icose¹,
 aa. [L f. Gk. = palm-branch]

spād'ō, n. (law). Person incapable of pro-
 creation. [L f. Gk *spadon* eunuch]

spaghet'ti (-gē-), n. Kind of macaroni.
 [It.]

spahi, -ee (spah'hē), n. Member of 14th-
 c. Turkish irregular cavalry; member of
 native Algerian cavalry in French ser-
 vice. [f. Turk. f. Hind. *sipahi* SEPOY]

spake. See SPEAK.

spall (-awl), v.t. & i., & n. Splinter, chip;
 (Mining) prepare (ore) for sorting by
 breaking it up. Hence *spal'der¹ (-awl-)*
 n. [n. f. 16th c., etym. dub.; cf. G *spellen*
 to split]

|| **spālpeen¹, n. (Ir.).** Mean fellow, rascal.
spām, n. Tinned foodstuff imported from
 U.S. [P; f. spiced ham]

spān¹, v.t. & i. (-nn-). (Of bridge, arch,
 etc., fig. of memory etc.) stretch from
 side to side of, extend across, (river etc.,
 fig. period etc.), (of builder etc.) bridge

(river etc.); measure, cover, the extent of (thing) with one's grasp etc.; (Naut.) confine (booms etc.) with ropes; move in distinct stretches like span-worm. [f. OE *span* n., see foll.]

spān¹, n. 1. Full extent from end to end, as ~ of a bridge, of an arch, our brief ~ (of life), the whole ~ of Roman history. 2. Each part of a bridge etc. between piers or supports. 3. Greenhouse or similar structure with ~ roof. 4. Maximum distance between tips of thumb & little finger, esp. as a measure = 9 in. 5. Short distance, as *our life is but a ~*. 6. (Naut.) rope fastened by both ends to take a purchase in the loop, double rope connected with thimbles. 7. (Colon., U.S.) pair of horses or mules, yoke of oxen. 8. ~ dogs, pair of iron bars with claws for grappling timber; ~ roof (with two inclined sides, opp. to pent-roof or lean-to); ~ worm, larva of geometer. [senses *measure, extent*, f. OE *span* (of the hand); senses 6 & 7 f. Du. *span* (*spannen* fasten)]

spān'drel, n. Space between either shoulder of arch & surrounding rectangular moulding or framework, or between shoulders of adjoining arches & moulding above; ~ wall (built on curve of arch, filling in ~). [f.]

spangle (spāng'gl), n., & v.t. 1. Small piece of glittering material esp. one of many as ornament of dress etc.; any small sparkling object; (also *oak-~*) spongy excrescence on oak-leaves, oak-apple. 2. v.t. Cover with ~s (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~Y¹ a. [f. earlier *spang* f. MDu. *spange* metal calk + IE]

Spān'iard (-yard), n. Native of Spain. [f. OF *espaignart* (*Espaigne* Spain, -ARD)]

spān'iel (-yel), n. Kinds of dog with long silky coat, drooping ears, & doodle & affectionate disposition, some used by sportsmen & some kept as pets (*King Charles's ~*, small black-&-tan kind); (fig.) fawning or cringing person. [ME, f. OF *espaigneu* f. Sp. *español* Spanish f. *España* Spain f. L *Hispania*]

Spān'ish, a. & n. 1. Of Spain or the Spaniards or their language; ~ (= *Invincible*) ARMADA; ~ black, brown, red, white, pigments; ~ ORBITTUT; ~ fly, bright green insect dried & used for raising blisters, as aphrodisiac, etc.; ~ fowl, breed of domestic fowl with glossy greenish-black plumage; ~ grass, spar-to; ~ main (hist.), NE coast of S. America between Orinoco river & Panama, & adjoining part of Caribbean sea; ~ windlass, use of stick as lever for tightening cord or bandage; *War of the ~ succession* (between France & Bavaria on one side & England, Prussia, & United Provinces on the other, on death of Charles II of Spain without issue, 1701-14). 2. n. ~ language. [ME *Spainish* (Spain, see -ish¹)]

spānk, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Slap on buttocks with open hand or slipper etc., whence ~ing¹ [-ING¹] n.; urge forward esp. by slapping or whipping; (of horse etc.) move briskly esp. at a step between trot & gallop. 2. n. Slap, blow with open hand etc., on buttocks. [imit.]

spānk'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: fast-going horse; (colloq.) person or thing of notable size or quality, stunner, whopper; (Naut.) fore-&-aft sail set on after side of mizzenmast. [-ER¹]

spanking¹. See SPANK.

spānk'ing¹, a. & adv. In vbl senses; also: (colloq.) striking, notable, excellent, as *had a ~ time*, a ~ (strong) breeze, (adv.) a ~ fine woman. [-ING¹, cf. *whacking, thumping, whopping*]

spān'lēss, a. (poet.). Beyond measure. [-LESS]

spānn'er, n. In vbl senses; also: instrument for turning nut on screw etc.; cross-brace of bridge etc.; connecting-rod in parallel motion of engine; = SPAN¹-worm. [-ER¹; mech. sense f. G *spanner*]

spār¹, n., & v.t. (-rr-). 1. Stout pole esp. such as is used for mast, yard, etc., of ship; ~ buoy (made of a ~ with one end moored so that other stands up); ~ deck, upper deck extending from bow to stern, including quarterdeck and forecabin. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~, help (ship) over shallow bar with ~s. [ME *sparre*, cf. Du. *spar*, G *sparren*, ON *sparri*]

spār¹, n. Kinds of crystalline mineral, easily cleavable & non-lustrous, as *calcareous ~*, calcite, *Derbyshire* (= FLUOR) ~, *Iceland ~*, transparent calcite much used for optical purposes. [f. MLG *spar*, cogn. w. OE *sparren* gypsum]

spār¹, v.i. (-rr-), & n. 1. Make motions of attack & defence with closed fists, use the hands (as) in boxing, (often at opponent); ~ring partner, boxer employed to practise with another in training for a fight; (fig.) bandy words, as *they are always ~ring (at each other)*; (of cocks) fight esp. with protected spurs. 2. n. ~ring motion, boxing-match, cock-fight. [orig. = (of cock) strike out with spurs; etym. dub.]

spār'able, n. Headless nail for soles & heels of boots. [corrupt. of *sparrow-bill*]

spāre¹, a. & n. 1. Scanty, frugal, as ~ diet, lean, thin, as *man of ~ frame*, whence ~LY¹ (-ri-) adv., ~NESS (-rr-) n.; ~rib, upper part of row of ribs of pork with small amount of meat adhering; that can be spared, not required for ordinary use, as *how to use your ~ time*, *have no ~ cash*; reserved for emergency or extraordinary use, as *always take a ~ cap*, ~ room (bed-room for visitor). 2. n. ~ part for substitution in machine. [OE *spar*, cf. ON *sparr*, Da. *spars*(om), Sw. *spar*(som)]

spāre¹, v.t. & i. Be frugal or grudging of, as ~ the rod & spoil the child, *must not*

~ *expense*, whence **spāringly**² adv., **spāringness** n.; dispense with, do without, as *cannot ~ him just now*, ~ *me a penny, could have ~d the explanation*; || (arch.) forbear (to do); abstain from inflicting (with double object), as ~ *me these protestations*; abstain from killing, hurting, wounding, etc., as ~ (do not kill) *me*, ~ *my life*, ~ *his feelings*, (loosely) ~ (do not provoke) *his blushes*; be frugal. [OE *sparian*, cf. prec., & Du. & G *sparen*]

spār'ger, n. Sprinkling-apparatus, esp. in brewing. [f. rare vb *sparge* f. L *spargere*, -ER¹]

spārk¹, n. 1. Flery particle thrown off from burning substance, or still visibly alight in ashes, or struck out by impact from flint etc. (*as the ~s fly upward*, with the certainty of a law of nature). 2. Small bright object or point e.g. in gem. 3. (fig.). Brilliant emanation of wit etc., esp. *strike ~s out* of person, provoke him to lively or original conversation. 4. (Usu. neg. or quasi-neg.) particle of fire or (fig.) of a quality etc., as *not a ~ of life remained, if you had a ~ of generosity in you*. 5. (Electr.) luminous effect of sudden disruptive discharge, electric ~ serving to fire explosive mixture in oil-engine of motor etc., as *advance, retard, the ~* (in the cycle of operation in the engine). 6. *S~s*, (nickname for) wireless operator; *fairly ~s*, phosphorescent light from decayed vegetable matter etc.; ~-*arrester*, device for preventing (injury from) **SPARK**²ing in electrical apparatus, netting etc. to catch ~s on steam-engine. Hence ~-*LESS* a., ~-*LET* n., small ~, carbonic-acid charge for use in some gazogenes. [OE *spearra*, cf. MDu. *spärke*, & ON *sparka*, Iha. *sprage*, crackle; perh. f. crackle of burning wood etc.]

spārk², v.i. Emit sparks of fire or electricity; || ~ing-*plug*, device for firing explosive mixture in motor-engine; (Electr.) produce sparks at point where continuity of circuit is interrupted. [prob. f. prec.]

spārk³, n., & v.i. 1. Gay fellow; gallant. 2. v.i. Play the gallant. Hence ~-*ISH*¹ a. [(vb f. n.) prob. fig. use of **SPARK**¹]

spār'kle, v.i., & n. 1. Emit sparks, (of gems etc. & fig. of wit etc.) glitter, glisten, scintillate, whence ~-*ER*¹ n., ~-*INGLY*² adv.; ~ing *wines* (giving out carbonic-acid gas in small bubbles, cf. *STILL*). 2. n. ~ing, gleam, spark. [ME *sparkle* n.; -*klen* vb, f. **SPARK**¹ + -*LE*(1, 3)]

spā'row (-ō), n. Kinds of small plain-coloured bird, esp. *house ~*, European kind noted for attachment to human dwellings, prolificness, and pugnacity; ~-*bill*, = *SPARABLE*; ~-*grass* (vulg.), *asparagus*; ~-*hawk*, kinds of small hawk preying on ~s etc. [OE *spærow*, cf. ON *sporr*, Da. *spurve*]

spār'ry, a. Of like rich in **SPAR**³. [-r²]
spār'ry, a. (Of population etc.) thickly

scattered, not dense; (Bot., Zool.) placed, occurring, at distant or irregular intervals. Hence ~-*LY*¹ (-al) adv., ~-*NESS* (-su-) n. [f. L *spargere* *sparsa*-scatter]

Spārt'acist, a. & n. (Member) of the Spartacus group of extremists in the German revolution in 1918. [*Spartacus*, leader in anc.-Roman servile war, -1st]

Spārt'an, a. & n. (Native) of Sparta (esp. w. allusion to supposed characteristics of ~s, as ~ *endurance, simplicity*). [f. L *Spartanus* (*Sparta* f. Gk *Sparā*, see -AN)]

spā'sm, n. Excessive muscular contraction (CLONIC, TONIC, ~); sudden convulsive movement, wrench, or strain, as a ~ of *coughing*, (fig.) ~s of *grief* etc.; *functional ~*, nervous disorders caused by occupation, e.g. writer's cramp. Hence ~-*OL*'ogv (-āz-) n. [f. L f. Gk *spasmos* (*spāō* draw)]

spasmōd'ic (-āz-), a. Of, caused by, subject to, *spasm(s)*, as a ~ic *jerk*, ~ic *asthma*; occurring, done, by fits & starts, as ~ic *efforts*. Hence ~-*ICALLY* adv. [f. Gk *spasmōdēs* (as **SPASM**, see -OID) + -ic]

spās'tic, a. (med.) = prec. [f. L f. Gk *spastikos* drawing (*spāō* draw, see -IO)]

spāt¹, n., & v.i. & t. (-tt-). 1. Spawn of shellfish esp. oyster. 2. vb. (Of oyster etc.) spawn; shed (spawn). [prob. cogn. w. **SPIT**¹]

spāt², n. (usu. pl.). Short gaiter covering instep & reaching little above ankle. [for **SPATTERdash**]

spāt³. See **SPIT**².

spātch'cock, n., & v.t. 1. Fowl killed & cooked in a hurry. 2. v.t. (colloq.). Insert (words) hastily in telegram etc. [usu. expl. as *dispatch-cock*, but perh. f. confus. w. **SPITCOCK**]

|| **spāte**, n. River-flood, esp. *river is in ~*. [orig. Sc., etym. dub.]

spāthe (-dh), n. (bot.). Large bract or pair of bracts enveloping spadix or flower-cluster. Hence *spāth'ose*¹, *spāth'ous*, aa. [f. L f. Gk *spathē* broad blade etc.]

spāth'ic, a. Of **SPAR**³, like *spar* esp. in cleavage. So *spāth'iform* a. [G *spath* *spar* + -ic]

spāt'ial (-shl), a. Of space, as ~ *relations, extent*. Hence **spāt'ial'ity** (-shl-) n., ~-*LY*² adv. [f. L as **SPACE** + -AL]

spāttee, n. Woollen legging worn by women and children over shoes and stockings. [f. **SPAT**² after *puttee*]

spāt'ter, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Scatter (liquid, mud, etc.) here & there in small drops; splash (person with mud, slander, etc.) thus; (of liquid) fall here & there in drops. 2. n. ~ing, splash (of mud etc.), quick succession of light sounds, pattering. 3. ~-*dashes* (or now usu. *spāts*), cloth or other leggings to protect stockings etc. from mud etc. [cf. Du. *spatten* burst, spout, -ER¹]

spāt'ile, n. Broad-bladed instrument for

instrument for pressing tongue down or to one side. [L, dim. as SPATULA]

spát'úl|e, n. (zool.). Broad racket-shaped formation or part, esp. end of bird's tail-feather. Hence ~**AE**¹, ~**ATN**¹, ~**IFORM**, **SA**. [OF, f. L as prec.]

spáv'in, n. Disease of horse's hock-joint; *blood, bog*, ~, distension of the joint by effusion of lymph within it; *bone* ~, deposit of bony substance uniting the bones. Hence ~**ED**¹ (-nd) a. [f. OF *espavain*, *esparvain*, etym. dub.]

spawn, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of fish, frog, mollusc, crustacean, derog. of human being or other animal) produce (eggs, or abs.), generate; (of eggs or young of fish etc.) be produced, issue. 2. n. Eggs of fish etc.; (derog.) human or other offspring (~ of the devil, of Cobden, scoundrels, free-traders); white fibrous matter from which fungi are produced, mycelium, as *mushroom* ~. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *espandre* EXPAND]

spay, v.t. Castrate, remove ovaries of, (female animal). [f. AF *espier* (OF *espee* sword)]

speak, v.i. & t. (*spōke*, arch. *spāke*; *spōken*). 1. Use articulate utterance in ordinary (not singing-) voice, as *child is learning to* ~, *wish you would* ~ *distinctly*; (p.p., as stage direction) to be said, not sung (also as n., such part). 2. Hold conversation (*with, to, person, of, about, thing*), as *have heard him* ~ *of it*, *will* ~ *to him about it*; *portrait* ~s (is lifelike), so ~ing likeness. 3. Make oral address, deliver speech, before assembly, magistrate, tribunal, etc. 4. Utter (words); make known (one's opinion, the truth, etc.) thus, esp. ~ one's mind (bluntly etc.). 5. Use (specified language) in ~ing, as *cannot* ~ *French*, whence *French* ~ etc. ~**ER**¹ n., ~**ING**¹ a. 6. *Strictly, roughly, generally*, ~ing (quasi-adv.), in the strict, rough, etc., sense of the word(s), as *am not strictly* ~ing *a member of the staff*; *legally* etc. ~ing, from the legal etc. point of view. 7. (As an apology for loose or strong or figurative expression) *so to* ~, if I may use such an expression. 8. *Hail* & hold communication with (ship). 9. (arch.). (Of conduct, circumstance, etc.) show (person) to be (so-&-so), as *his conduct* ~s *him generous*; be evidence of, as *this* ~s *a little mind*. 10. (Of fact etc.) ~ *volumes*, be very significant; ~ *volumes* etc. *for*, ~ *well* *for*, be abundant evidence of, place in favourable light, as ~ *volumes* *for his forbearance*. 11. (Of dog) bark esp. when ordered. 12. fig. (Of mus. instrument etc.) sound. 13. Make mention in writing of. 14. ~ *by the* or *like* a book¹; ~ (person) *fair*, use polite language to; ~ *for*, act as spokesman of, state the sentiments of; ~ *of*, mention; *nothing to* ~ *of*, nothing worth mentioning, practically nothing; ~ *out* (also *up*), ~ *freely*,

~ *one's whole opinion*; ~ *in*, address (person etc.), ~ in confirmation of or in reference to, as *I can* ~ *to his having been there, will* ~ *to that point later*; ~ *up* (also *out*), ~ *loud(er)*; ~ *without book*, give facts etc. from memory; *fair, smooth, ill, well*, etc., ~*spoken* (as if ~*speeched*¹), (given to) using such language; ~*easy* (sl.), illicit liquor shop. [OE *sp(e)ccan*, cf. Du. *sprecken*, G *sprechen*]

speak'er, n. One who speaks esp. in public; (S~) presiding officer in House of Commons charged with preservation of order etc. & having casting vote in case of equal division, similar officer in U.S. House of Representatives etc., whence S~**SHIP** n. [-**ER**¹]

speak'ing, n. In vb senses: ~ *acquaintance*, person one knows well enough to exchange conversation with him, this degree of familiarity; *not on* ~ *terms*, not, esp. no longer, having ~ acquaintance *with* (usu. implying estrangement); ~ *trumpet*, instrument for conveying voice to a distance; ~ *tube*, tube for conveying voice from one room or building to another. [-**ING**¹]

spear, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Hunter's or foot-soldier's thrusting or hurling weapon consisting of stout staff with point usu. of steel (cf. LANCE, PIKE); (poet.) = *man*; sharp-pointed & barbed instrument for stabbing fish etc.; ~ *head*, (esp. fig.) individual or group chosen to lead a thrust or attack; ~ *man*, person esp. soldier who uses ~; ~ *mint*, common garden mint; ~ *side*, male branch of family (cf. DISTAFF). 2. v.t. Pierce, strike, with ~. 3. v.i. Shoot into a long stem. [(vb f. n.) OE *spere*, cf. Du. & G *speer*]

spéc, n. (colloq.). Speculation, speculative enterprise, as *it turned out a good* ~, *did it on* ~. [abbr. of SPECULATION]

spé'cial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of a particular kind, peculiar, not general, (cf. ESPECIAL), as *lacks the* ~ *qualities required*, *word used in a* ~ *sense*, *what is your* ~ *work?*, *its* ~ *charm did not appeal to him*, ~ *anatomy* (of particular organs of human body), ~ *JURY*, ~ *hospital* (for particular class of diseases). 2. For a particular purpose, as *appointed* ~ *agents*, *received* ~ *instructions*. 3. (Also *especial*) exceptional in amount, degree, intensity, etc., as *took* ~ *trouble*, *And no* ~ *excellence in his work*. 4. ~ *case*, written statement of facts submitted by litigants to court, (also) exceptional or peculiar case; ~ *constable* (sworn in to assist in maintaining public peace in time of emergency); ~ *correspondent* (appointed by newspaper to report on ~ facts); ~ *edition* (including later news than ordinary edition of newspaper); ~ *license* (enabling priests to marry parties without publication of banns or at time or place other than those usually necessary); ~ *logic*, rules for

thinking concerning ~ class of objects; ~ *pleader*, member of Inns of Court whose business it is to give verbal or written opinions on matters submitted to him & to deal with various proceedings out of usual course; ~ *pleading*, (Law) allegation of ~ or new matter as opp. to denial of allegations of other side, (pop.) specious but unfair argument, statement of case designed to favour speaker's point of view rather than to discover the truth; ~ *train*, extra train for ~ purpose; ~ *verdict*. 5. n. ~ constable, train, examination, edition of newspaper (esp. EXTRA ~), etc. Hence ~LY² (-sha-) adv. [f. OF (*especial* f. L *specialis* (*species*, see -AL))]

spécialist (-sha-), n. One who devotes himself to particular branch of a profession, science, etc. Hence or cogn. ~ISM n., ~IS'TIC a. [-IST]

spéciality (-shi-), n. Special feature or characteristic; (also *specialty*) special pursuit, product, operation, etc., thing to which a person gives special attention, as *fam(-making) is our ~*. [f. OF (*especialité* f. LL *specialitatem* as SPECIAL, see -TY)]

spécializ[e] (-sha-), v.t. & i. Make specific or individual; modify, limit, (idea, statement); (Biol.) adapt, set apart, (organ etc.) for particular purpose, differentiate; be differentiated, become individual in character; be (come) a specialist. Hence ~ATION n. [f. F *spécialiser* (SPECIAL, -IZE)]

spécialty (-shi-), n. (Law) instrument under seal, sealed contract; = SPECIALITY (2nd sense). [f. OF *specialité* SPECIALITY]

spécie (-shié, -shé), n. (no pl.). Coin as opp. to paper money, as ~ *payments, paid in ~*, *shortness of ~*. [f. L abl. of foll. in phr. in *specie*]

spécies (-shiéz, -shéz), n. (pl. same). 1. (Nat. Hist.) group subordinate in classification to *genus* (cf. CLASS) & having members that differ only in minor details; *the or our ~*, mankind. 2. (Logic) group subordinate to *causus* & containing individuals agreeing in some common attribute(s) & called by a common name. 3. Kind, sort, as *has a ~ of cunning, a ~ of dogcat*. 4. (Law) form, shape, given to materials. 5. (Ecol.) the sensible form of each of the elements of consecrated bread and wine used in the Eucharist. [L. = appearance, kind, beauty, f. *specere* look]

spécific, a. & n. 1. Definite, distinctly formulated, as a ~ *statement, has no ~ aim*; of a species, as *the ~ name of plant etc.*; ~ *difference* (what differentiates a species); possessing, concerned with, the properties that characterize a species, as *the ~ forms of animals, draws a ~ distinction between them*; relating to particular subject; peculiar, as *has a ~ style, a style ~ to that school of painters*; (of a duty or tax) assessed by quantity or amount; met

ad maiorem; ~ *causes* (producing a particular form of disease); ~ *centre*, place or period at which differentiation from a common stock takes place; ~ GRAVITY, HEAT¹; ~ *medicine*, having distinct effect in curing a certain disease. 2. n. ~ *medicine* or remedy. Hence **spécific** ADV., **spécific** CITY, ~NESS, n. [f. med. L *specificus* (as SPECIES, see -TIC)]

spécification, n. Specifying; specified detail, esp. (pl.) detailed description of construction, workmanship, materials, etc., of work undertaken by architect, engineer, etc.; description by applicant for patent of the construction & use of his invention; (Law) working up of materials into a new product not held to be the property of the owner of the materials. [f. med. L *specificationem* (foll., -FICATION)]

spécify, v.t. Name expressly, mention definitely, (items, details, ingredients, etc.; often abs.); include in (e.g. architect's) specifications, as *a state-course was not ~ed*. Hence ~TABLE a. [f. OF *specifier* f. med. L *specificare* (as SPECIFIC, see -FY)]

spécimen, n. Individual or part taken as example of a class or whole, esp. individual animal or plant or piece of a mineral etc. used for scientific examination, as ~s of copper ore, zoological ~s, *fine ~ of the Swallow-tail, of mosaic work, a ~ of his skill, generosity, ~ page* (of book, printed in prospectus to show size, type, etc.); (colloq. derog.) *what a ~ (person)!* [L. = characteristic mark (*specere* look, -MEN)]

spéciol'ogy (-shi-), n. Science of (origin etc.) of species. Hence ~ol'ogICAL a. [-LOGY]

spécious (-shus), a. Of good appearance, plausible, fair or right on the surface, as ~ *argument, tale, pretence, person, appearance*. Hence or cogn. **spéciosity** (-shi-), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *speciosus* beautiful (SPECIES, see -OUS)]

spéck¹, n., & v.t. 1. Small spot, dot, stain; particle (of dirt etc.); spot of rottenness in fruit. 2. v.t. Mark with ~s (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~LESS a. [OE *specca*, cf. *smockle*]

spéck², n. (U.S. & S. Afr.). Fat meat, bacon, pork; fat of seals, whales, etc., blubber. [f. Du. *spek* or G *speck*, cf. OE *spic* bacon]

spéckle, n., & v.t. 1. Small spot or stain. 2. v.t. Mark with ~s or patches (esp. in p.p.). [SPECK¹ + -LE; cf. Du. *epikkel*]

spéckloneer', -st-, (-shon-), n. (whaling). Chief harpooner. [L. Du. *spektsjer* (ARROCK¹, *snijden out, -st¹*)]

spécs, n. pl. (colloq.). Pair of spectacles. [abbr.]

spéctacle, n. 1. Public show, whence **spéctac'ular¹** a., **spéctac'ular²** adv. 2. Object of sight, esp. of public attention, as *a charming ~, drunken woman is a*

deplorable ~, *sure to make a* ~ (= EXHIBITION) of himself. 3. (Pair of) ~s or colloq. *specs*, pair of lenses to correct or assist defective sight, set in frame without a spring (cf. *eye-glass*) constructed to rest on nose & ears; (fig.) *sees everything through rose-coloured etc.* ~s, takes cheerful etc. views; (Cricket) pair of ~s, two DUCKS. [OF, f. L. *spectaculum* show (*spectare* see, frequent. of *specere* look)]

spéc'tacled (-léd), a. Wearing spectacles; (of animals) marked in a way that suggests spectacles, esp. ~ *bear*, the S.-Amer. bear. [-ED¹]

spéc'tat'or, n. One who looks on esp. at a show, game, etc., as the ~s were moved to tears, was a mere ~, an unconcerned ~, (as title of paper) *The S*-. Hence *spéc'tat'or's* n. [L. (*spectare*, see SPECTACLE & -OR¹)]

spéc'tral, a. Ghostlike, of ghosts; of spectra or the spectrum, as ~ colours, analysis. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [SPECTRUM, -AL]

spéc'tre (-ter), n. Ghost; haunting presentiment (of ruin, war, madness, etc.); ~ of the *Broken*, huge shadowy image of the observer projected on mists about mountain-top, first observed on the *Broken*; (in names of animals compared to ~ from thinness of body etc.) ~-bat, -crab, -insect, -lemur, -shrimp. [F, f. SPECTRUM]

spéc'tr'o- in comb. = SPECTRUM, as: ~o-graph, apparatus for photographing or otherwise reproducing the spectrum, ~ogram, representation obtained by this, so ~ograph'ic a., ~og'raphy n.; ~ohé'io-graph, instrument for taking photographs of the sun from light of one wave-length only; ~ohé'ioscope, instrument for viewing sun in light of one wave-length only; ~óm'eter, instrument for measuring refraction of light-rays in passing through prism.

spéc'tr'oscope, n. Instrument for forming & analysing the spectra of rays, consisting usu. of collimating tube, prism or diffraction grating, small telescope, & measuring apparatus. Hence ~oscóp'ic (AL) aa., ~oscóp'ically¹ adv., ~ós'cop'er (or spé), ~ós'copy¹ (or spé), nn. [F (SPECTRO- + -SCOPE)]

spéc'trum, n. (pl. -ra). (Also *ocular* ~) image of something seen continuing when the eyes are closed or turned away; image formed by rays of light or other radiation in which the parts are arranged in a progressive series according to their refrangibility, i.e. according to wave-length; *diffraction*, *prismatic*; ~ (produced by means of diffraction grating, by means of prism); *solar* ~ (formed from rays of sun); ~ (or *spectral*) analysis, chemical analysis by means of spectroscopy. [L. = appearance, image, f. *specere* look.]

spéc'ular, a. Of (the nature of) a *speculum*, esp. reflecting, as ~ surface. [f. L. *specularis* (SPECULUM, see -AR¹)]

spéc'ulat'e, v.i. 1. Pursue an inquiry, meditate, form theory or conjectural opinion, (on, upon, about, subject, the nature, cause, etc., of a thing, or abs.). 2. Make investment, engage in commercial operation, that involves risk of loss, as has been ~ing in stocks, in rubber, (esp. w. implication of rashness) is believed to ~e a good deal. Hence or cogn. ~IVE a., ~ively¹ adv., ~IVENESS, ~OR¹, nn. [f. L. *speculari* spy out, observe, (*specula* watchtower as SPECULUM, see -ATE¹)]

spéc'ulá'tion, n. 1. Meditation on, inquiry into, theory about, a subject, as much given to ~, sorry to disturb your ~s. 2. Speculative investment or enterprise, practice of speculating, in business, as ruined by (a single unlucky) ~, bought it as a ~ (or on SPEC, rarely on ~). 3. Game in which cards are bought & sold. [f. L. *speculationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

spéc'ulum, n. (pl. -la). (Surg.) instrument for dilating cavities of human body for inspection; mirror, usu. of polished metal e.g. ~metal (alloy of copper & tin), esp. in reflecting telescope; (Ornith.) specially coloured area on wing of some birds, also = OCELLUS. [L. = mirror (*specere* look)]

sped. See SPEED.

speech, n. 1. Faculty of speaking. 2. Thing said, remark, as after this unlucky ~ he remained silent. 3. Public address, as after-dinner, MAIDEN, ~, ~ for the defence, a set ~ (studied, prepared), make (deliver) a ~; || King's or Queen's ~, ~ from the throne, brief statement of foreign & domestic affairs & of the chief measures to be considered by Parliament, prepared by Government & read by sovereign in person or by commission at opening of Parliament. 4. Language of a nation. 5. Act of sounding in organ-pipe etc. 6. FIGURE¹ of ~; PART¹ of ~; ~-reading, deaf person's interpretation of ~ by watching speaker's lips; || ~-day, annual day for delivering prizes in schools usu. marked by recitations etc. [OE *spæc*, earlier *spæc*, as SPEAK]

speech'ify, v.i. (derog.). Make speeches, hold forth in public. Hence ~ific'ATION, ~fier¹, nn. [-FY]

speech'less, a. Dumb; temporarily deprived of speech by emotion etc., as ~ with rage; (sl.) dead drunk. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *spécleas*, see -LESS]

speed, n., & v.t. & i. (*spéd*, exc. as below). 1. Rapidity of movement, as with all ~, more haste less ~, at full ~; rate of progress or motion, as attains a high ~, depends on the ~ required, three ~ engines, biplane, etc. (with adaptable gear, for going at different rates); ~ometer, v.

2. (arch.). Success, prosperity, as *send me good* ~ (cf. *god* ~). 3. ~*boat*, motor-boat designed for high ~; ~*cone*, contrivance for adjusting ratio of ~ between parallel shafts by means of belt; ~*cop* (orig. U.S., sl.), police motor-cyclist detailed to check motorists' ~; ~*way*, arena for motor-cycle racing, 'road or track reserved for fast motor traffic; ~*well*, kinds of herb with creeping or ascending stems & bright-blue flowers.

4. vb. Go fast, as *sped down the street* (now chiefly literary); (arch.) send fast, send on the way, as ~ *an arrow from the bow*, ~ *the parting guest*. 5. (arch.). Be or make prosperous, succeed, give success to, as *how have you sped?*, *God ~ you!* 6. (past & p.p. ~ed). Regulate ~ of (engine etc.), cause to go at fixed ~; ~ *up*, cause to work at greater ~ (*the train service wants ~ing up*); (of motorists) travel at illegal or dangerous ~. [(vb f. OE *spēdan*) OE *spād* (*spōdan* prosper), cf. Du. *spoed*, OHG *spuot*, *spōt*, success]

speed'er, n. Kinds of device for regulating or increasing speed of machinery. [-ER¹]

speedōm'eter, n. Appliance indicating the speed at which motor-car etc. is moving. [SPEED, -O-, -METER]

speed'y, a. Rapid; expeditious, prompt, coming without delay, as ~ *answer*, *vengeance*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

speiss (-is), n. Compound of arsenic, iron, etc., found in smelting some lead ores. [f. G *speise* food, amalgam, f. pop. L *speca* EXPENSE]

spēlae'an, a. Of, dwelling in, caves. So ~OL'OGIST, ~OL'OGY, nn. [f. L f. Gk *spēlaion* cave (*speos* cave) + -AN]

spelicans. See SPILLIKIN.

spell¹, n. Words used as charm, incantation or its effect (*under a ~*, mastered by or as by a ~); attraction, fascination, exercised by person, pursuit, quality, etc.; ~*bind*er, political speaker who can hold audiences ~bound; ~*bound*, bound (as) by a ~. [OE *spel*(l) saying, story, cf. ON *spall*; cogn. w. foll.]

spell², v.t. (*spell* or ~ed pr. -lt). Write or name the letters that form (a word), as *how do you ~ 'analyse'?*, *must not be spell with a s, can't ~ his own name*, (abs.) *wish you would learn to ~ (correctly)*; ~ *out* or *over*, make out (words, writing) laboriously letter by letter; ~ *backward*, repeat or write the letters of (word) in reverse order, (fig.) misinterpret, pervert meaning of; (of letters) make up, form, (word), as *what does o a t ~?*; (fig., of circumstances, scheme, etc.) have as necessary result, involve, as *these changes ~ ruin to the farmer*. [f. OE *espeler* f. Tent. (OE *spellian* tell f. prec.)]

spell³, n., & v.t. 1. Turn of work, as *did a ~ of carpentering*; short period, as *spell*

(for) a ~. 2. v.t. (rare). Relieve, take the place of, (person) in work etc. [OE *spelian* vb, *spēlita* & *spala* nn., = substitute]

spell'er, n. In vbl senses of SPELL²; also -SPELLING-book. [-ER¹]

spell'ing, n. In vbl senses, as *his ~ is weak, not sure of the ~ of 'aneurysm'*, *another ~ of the same word*; ~*bee*, competition in ~; ~*book* (for teaching ~). [-ING¹]

spelt¹, n. Kind of wheat giving very fine flour, German wheat. [OE, f. LL *spelta*] **spelt²**. See SPELL¹.

spelt'er, n. (now commerc.). Zinc. [cf. OF *speautre*, Du. & G *spizaler*, & FETTER]

spence, -se, n. (arch.). Buttery, larder. [OF, short for *despense* (see DISPENSE)]

spen'cer¹, n. Short woollen jacket. [f. Earl S~, d. 1834]

spen'cer², n. (naut.). -TRYSAIL. [?]

Spēn'cerism, n. Doctrine of Herbert Spencer (d. 1903) referring the ordered universe to the necessary laws of mechanics, synthetic philosophy. So **Spēncēr'ian** a., **Spēncēr'ianism** n. [-ISM]

spēnd, v.t. & i. (*spend*). 1. Pay out (money) for a purchase etc. (also abs., as ~ *profusely*). 2. Use, use up, consume, as *our ammunition was all spent, shall ~ no more breath, trouble, etc., on him, how do you ~ your time?*, *spent a pleasant day*; exhaust, wear out, as *his anger will soon ~ itself, storm is spent, spent cannon-ball* (with little impulse left). 3. (Naut.) lose (mast). 4. Be consumed, as *candles ~ fast in draught*. 5. Emit spawn; *spent herring* etc. (that has deposited its spawn). 6. ~*thrift*, extravagant person, prodigal, (often attrib.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [OE *spendan* f. L *ex*(pendere) weigh spend]

Spēn'low and Jōrk'ins (-lō, -z), n. Plan of attributing one's (S's) hard dealings to a supposed hard partner (J.) kept in background. [persons in Dickens's *David Copperfield*]

spense. See SPENCE.

Spēnsēr'ian, a. & n. 1. Of the poet Edmund Spenser (d. 1599), esp. ~ *stanzas*, that used in the *Faerie Queen*. 2. n. pl. ~ *stanzas*. [-IAN]

spent. See SPEND.

spērm¹, n. Male generative fluid. [f. L f. Gk *sperma* -matos seed (*speirō* sow, see -M)]

spērm², n. (Also ~*whale*) cachalot, whale yielding spermaceti; -foll. [abbr.]

spermacēt'i, n. White brittle fatty substance contained in solution in heads of sperm-whale etc., used for candles & ointments. [med. L, = SPERM¹ + cēt of whale f. Gk *kētos* (~ being regarded as whale-spawn)]

sper'm'ary, n. Male germ-gland, testicle or equivalent organ. [SPERM¹ + -ARY²]

spermát'ic, *a.* Of *SPERM*¹ or the sperm-ary. [*f.* OF *spermátikos* *f.* L *f.* Gk *spermátikos* (as *SPERM*¹, see -IO)]

sperm'at|o- in comb. = *SPERM*¹, as: ~o-*blast*, germ of a ~ozoon; ~o-*genesis*, development of ~ozos, so ~o'-*genous* *a.*, ~o'-*geny* *n.*; ~o'-*ogist*, ~o'-*ogy*, student, study, of sperm, so ~o'-*ogical* *a.*; ~o-*phore*, capsule containing ~ozos; ~o-*rhoea* (-réa), involuntary seminal discharge; ~o-*zōn* (pl. -*zōa*), male fertilizing element contained in semen of animals, similar element in lower plants, so ~o-*zoal*, ~o-*zoan*, *aa.*

sperm'at|o- in comb. = Gk *sperma* seed, semen, as: ~o-*blast* = *SPERMATOBlast*; ~o-*logy*, = *SPERMATOLOGY*, (*Bot.*) study of seeds, so ~o'-*logical* *a.*, ~o'-*ogist* *n.*

spew, *spūe*, *v.t. & i.* Vomit (*t. & i.*); (of gun) droop at muzzle from too quick firing. [OE *spéowan*, *spéwan*, cf. ON *spíja*, G *spelen*, L *spuere*, Gk *ptuō*]

sphā'cél|âte, *v.t. & i.* Affect, be affected, with gangrene or necrosis. Hence ~*ATION* *n.* [*f.* Gk *sphakelos* gangrene + *-ATE*³]

sphaer(o)- in comb. = Gk *sphaira* ball, in many scientific esp. nat. hist. terms.

sphāg'num, *n.* (*bot.*; pl. -*na*). Kinds of moss growing in bogs and peat, and used as packing etc. [*mod.* L, *f.* Gk *sphagnos* a moss]

sphēn'|(o)- in comb. = Gk *sphēn* wedge, chiefly in sense 'of the sphenoid bone'; also: ~o-*gram*, cuneiform character, so ~o-*graph'ic* *a.*

sphēn'oid, *a. & n.* (*anat.*). Wedge-shaped, esp. ~ (*bone*), compound bone at base of skull. Hence **sphēnoid'AL** *a.*, **sphēnoid'o-** comb. form. [*f.* Gk *sphenoidēs* (*sphēn* wedge, -*OID*)]

sphēre, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Solid figure generated by revolution of semicircle about its diameter, or every part of whose surface is equidistant from a point within called the centre. 2. Ball, globe; (*poet.*) the heavens, the sky; any heavenly body; globe representing the earth or the apparent heavens. 3. Each of the revolving globe-shaped shells in which the heavenly bodies were formerly supposed to be set, esp. *music, harmony, of the ~s* (produced by movements of the ~s). 4. One's field of action, influence, or existence, one's natural surroundings, one's place in society, as *has done much within his peculiar ~*, *earnest young lady in search of a ~*, *great mistake to take him out of his ~*, *moves in quite another ~*, *State's ~* (claimed or recognized area) *of influence in Africa*. 5. *Celestial ~*, surface on which heavenly bodies appear to lie; *doctrine of the ~*, spherical geometry & trigonometry; *great, small, circle of ~*, section made by plane passing, not passing, through its centre; *oblique, right, parallel, ~*, ~ of apparent heavens at a place where there is oblique angle, right

angle, no angle, between equator & horizon. 6. *v.t.* Enclose (as) in ~, make ~shaped; (*poet.*) exalt to the (celestial) ~. Hence **sphēr'y'a** (*a. (poet.)*). [(*vb f. n.*) *f.* OF *espere* *f.* L *f.* Gk *sphaira* ball, globe] **sphē'ric**, *a. & n.* 1. (*Poet.*) of the heavens, celestial, exalted; (*rare*) = *fol.* 2. *n. pl.* Geometry & trigonometry of the sph [*f.* L *f.* Gk *sphaírikos* (as *prec.*, see -IO)] **sphē'rical**, *a.* Shaped like a sphere, globular, whence or cogn. ~*LY*² *adv.*, **sph** *CITY* *n.*; of spheres, as ~ *geometry*; ~ *triangle*, *polygon* (bounded by arcs of great circles of sphere). {-*AL*}

sphēr'ograph (-*ahf*), *n.* Stereographic projection of the earth on disk, with meridians & parallels of latitude marked in single degrees. [*SPHERE* + *-O* + *-GRAPH*]

sphēr'oid, *n.* Sphere-like but not perfectly spherical body; solid generated by revolution of ellipse about its major (prolate or oblong ~) or minor (oblate ~) axis, as the earth is an oblate ~. Hence **sphēroid'al'y**² *adv.*, **sphēroid'(ic)AL** *aa.*, ~*i* *CITY* *n.* [*f.* L *f.* Gk *sphaíroidēs* (as *SPHERE*, see -*OID*)]

sphērōm'eter, *n.* Instrument for finding radius of sphere & for exact measurement of thickness of small bodies. [*f.* *SPHÉROMÈTRE*, see *SPHERE*, -*METER*]

sphē'rul'e (-*ōb*), *n.* Small sphere. Hence ~*AR*¹, ~*ATE*² (2) (*entom.*), *aa.* [*f.* L *sphaerula* (as *SPHERE*, see -*ULE*)]

sphē'rul'ite (-*rōō*), *n.* Vitreous globule as constituent of some rocks. Hence ~*IT*¹⁰ *a.*, ~*ITE*³ (*3*) *v.t.* [*f.* *prec.* + *-ITE*¹]

sphinc'ter, *n.* Muscles surrounding & serving to close an opening or tube. Hence ~*AL*, **sphincter'IAL**, **sphincter'o**, *aa.* [*f.* Gk *sphinkter* (*sphiggō* shut light)]

sphinx, *n.* 1. (Gk Myth. *S~*) winged monster of Thebes with woman's head & lion's body who proposed a riddle to the Thebans, killed all who could not guess it, & on Oedipus's solving it threw herself from the rock on which she sat & died. 2. (Egypt. Ant.) figure with lion's body & man's or animal's head (the *S~*, colossal ~ near the pyramids at Gizeh). 3. Enigmatic person. 4. Hawk-moth; kind of baboon. [*L, f.* Gk *sphix*, perh. *f.* *sphiggō* strangle]

sphragis'tics, *n. pl.* (often treated as *sing.*). Study of engraved seals. [*f.* Gk *sphragistikos* (*sphragizō* seal *vb f.* *sphragis* *n.*)]

sphýg'm|o- in comb. = *fol.*, as: ~o-*graph*, instrument for showing character of pulse in series of curves, ~o-*gram*, record so produced, so ~o-*graph'ic* *a.*, ~o-*graphy* *n.*; ~o'-*gy*, study of the pulse; ~o-*mandm'eter*, instrument for measuring blood-pressure; ~o-*phone*, ~o-*scope*, instrument for making audible, visible, the action of the pulse. **sphýg'mus**, *n.* (*physiol.*). Pulse, pulsation. [*mod.* L, *f.* Gk *sphugmos* *f.* *sphugō* throb]

spic'/a, n. (Bot.) spike, whence **~ATE**¹, **~ATED**, aa.; (Surg.) spiral bandage with reversed turns. [L. = spike, ear of grain]
spice, n., & v.t. 1. Aromatic or pungent vegetable substance used to flavour food, e.g. cloves, pepper, mace; **~s** collectively, as *dealer in ~, sugar & ~ all that's nice*, so **spic'ERY**(1) n.; (fig.) smack, dash, flavour, (of malice etc. in person's character, writings, etc.); **~bush**, aromatic American shrub of laurel family. 2. v.t. Flavour with **~**. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *espice* spice f. L *SPECIES*]

spick, a. **~ & span**, smart & new, brand-new. [earlier **~d-span-new**, redupl. of ME *span new* f. ON *spán-nýr* = chip-new]

spic'üle, n. Small sharp-pointed body; (Zool.) small hard body esp. in framework of sponge; (Bot.) small or secondary spike. Hence **~AR**¹, **~ATE**²(2), aa. [f. L *spiculum* dim. of *SPICA*]

spic'ily, a. Of, flavoured or fragrant with, **spice**; (fig.) piquant, pungent, improper (**~y story**), showy, smart. Hence **~ILY**² adv., **~INESS** n. [**~Y**]

spid'er, n. 1. Eight-legged animal of the order *Araneida*, many species of which spin webs esp. for capture of insects as food (**~ & fly**, fig., ensnarer & ensnared); kinds of arachnid like **~**. 2. Thing compared to **~** esp. as having prominent legs, e.g. kind of three-legged gidridon. 3. Sulky with very large light wheels. 4. **~catcher**, kinds of bird; **~crab**, crab with long thin legs; **~line**, thread of **~s** web substituted for wire in scales etc. for minute work; **~monkey**, kind with long limbs & long prehensile tail; **~wasp**, wasp that stores its nest with **~s** for its young. Hence **~LIKE** a., **~Y**² a. (esp. of writing, legs, spokes, etc.) very thin. [ME *spithre* (SPIN¹ + *-ther* agent suf.)]

spieg'eleisen (-līm), n. Kind of cast iron containing manganese, much used in Bessemer process. [G (*spiegel* mirror f. L *speculum* + *eisen* iron)]

***spiel**, n., & v.t. & t. (sl.). 1. Speech, story. 2. vb. Hold forth, orate; reel off (patter, yarn, tale of misfortune). [G. = play, game]

spil(f)'licâte, v.t. (sl.). Tounce, do for. Hence **~ATION** n. [?]

spig'ot, n. Small peg or plug esp. one for insertion into gimlet-hole in cask; plain end of pipe fitting into socket of next one. [f. OPr. *espiga* ear of corn f. L *SPICA*]

spike, n., & v.t. 1. Sharp point; pointed piece of metal e.g. one of a set forming top of iron fence etc. or worn in bottom of shoe to prevent slipping; large stout nail esp. as used for railways; (Bot.) flower-cluster of many sessile flowers arranged closely on long common axis; separate **spig** of any plant in which flowers form **~like** cluster; [f. F *spic*] kind of lavender; [i (colloq.)] a ***spiky** Anglican [back

formation f. *spike*]; **~ oil** (got from lavender); **~ plank**, bridge between mizen-mast of vessel meant for erotic service. 2. v.t. Fasten with **~s**, furnish with **~s**; fix on or pierce with **~**; plug up vent of (cannon) with **~**, (fig.) make useless. Hence **~LET** (-kl-) n. (bot.), **~WISE** (-kw-) adv., **spik'y**² a. (also, colloq.) of hard unyielding 'high-church' views. [(vb f. n.) ME, cf. Sw. & Norw. *spik*, Du. *spijker*, nail; partly also f. L *spica* ear of corn]

spike'nard (-kn-), n. (Ancient costly aromatic ointment made chiefly from) perennial herb allied to valerian; kinds of fragrant oil. [f. LL *spica nardi* (of *NARD*)]

spile, n., & v.t. 1. Wooden peg, spigot; large timber for driving into ground, pile. 2. v.t. Make **~hole** in (cask). [(vb f. n.) of. Du. *spijl* spile, bar, G *spieß* skewer; in sense *pile* perh. corrupt. of *PILE*¹]

spil'ing, n. Set of piles; (Naut.) edge-curve of plank in vessel's hull. [f. prec. + **ING**¹; naut. sense, earlier *spooling*, etym. dub.]

spill¹, v.t. & i. (*spill* or *~ed*), & n. 1. Allow (liquid, substance in small particles) to fall or run out from vessel, as *spill the salt*, no use crying over *spill milk*, (of liquid etc.) fall or run out; **~ blood**, be guilty of bloodshed, **~ the blood of**, kill; **~ money** (sl.), lose it in betting etc.; (Naut.) empty (belly of) sail of wind; ***~ the beams** (sl.), give the show away, divulge information indiscreetly; throw from saddle or vehicle, as *horse spill him*, was *spill from a dog-cart*. 2. n. Such throwing, as *had a nasty ~*; **~way**, passage for surplus water from dam. [OE *spellan* destroy, cf. ON *spilla*, Du. *spillen*, G (*ver*)*spillen*, also OE *spildan* (the orig. form)]

spill², n. Thin strip of wood, spiral tube etc. of paper for lighting candles etc. [ME, perh. cogn. w. *SPULE*]

spill'er, n. Seine put into a larger one to take out fish when the larger cannot be hauled ashore. [?]

spill'ikin, n. Splinter of wood, bone, etc., used in some games; (pl., also *spil'teams*) game played with **~s**. [f. *SPILL*², see **KIN**]

spilt. See *SPILL*¹.

spilth, n. (arch.). What is spilt; excess, surplus. [**~TH**¹]

spin¹, v.t. & i. (*spun* or *span*, *spun*).

1. Draw out & twist (wool, cotton, or abs.) into threads; make (yarn) thus. 2. (Of spider, silkworm, etc.) make (web, gossamer, cocoon, or abs.) by extrusion of fine viscous thread. 3. Form (cup etc.) in lathe or similar machine. 4. (fig.). Produce, compose, (narrative, literary article, etc., often out) i.e. at great length, esp. **~ a yarn** (orig. Naut.), tell a story. 5. **~ out**, spend, consume, (time, one's life, etc., by discussion etc., in occupation etc.), prolong (discussion etc.). 6. Cause (top etc.) to whirl round, (of top)

spiral, a., n., & v.t. (-l-). 1. Coiled; winding continually about & constantly receding from a centre, whether remaining in same plane like watch-spring or rising in a cone; winding continually & advancing as if along cylinder, like thread of screw; ~ *balance* (measuring weight by torsion of ~ spring); ~ *wheel* (with teeth out at angle to axis). 2. n. Plane or other ~ *curve*, ~ *spring*, ~ *formation* in shell etc.; (fig.) gradual but progressive rise or fall (*the vicious ~ of rising prices and wages*). 3. v.t. Make ~. Hence ~**ITY** (-al) n., ~**LY**² adv. [f. med. L *spiralis* (as **SPIRE**², see -AL)]

spirant, a. & n. (phonet.). (Consonant) uttered with perceptible expulsion of breath & in producing which the organs are near together but not wholly closed, continuable (consonant) (cf. **EXPLOSIVE**), e.g. *f, v, th, dh*, & occas. *w, y*, & others. [f. L *spirare* breathe, see -ANT]

spire¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Tapering structure in form of tall cone or pyramid rising above tower; continuation of tree trunk above point where branching begins; any tapering body, e.g. stalk of grass. 2. v.i. Shoot up. 3. v.t. Furnish with ~. Hence **spir'ry** a. [OE *spir*, cf. Du. & G *spier*]

spire², n. Spiral, coil; single twist of this. Hence **spir'ry** a. [F, f. L f. Gk *spetra* coil]

spirillum, n. (pl. -la). Group of bacteria characterized by a spiral structure; any member of this. [dim. of L. *spira* **SPIRE**¹]

spirit¹, n. 1. Intelligent or immaterial part of man, soul; in (*the*) ~, inwardly, as *groaned in ~, was vexed in ~, shall be with you in (the) ~*. 2. Person viewed as possessing this, esp. w. reference to particular mental or moral qualities, as *one of the most ardent ~s of his time, a meeting of choice ~s; a master-~, person of commanding intellect* etc. 3. Rational or intelligent being not connected with material body, disembodied soul, incorporeal being, elf, fairy, as *God is a ~, the Holy S-* (third person of the Trinity) *has seen a ~, ~s must have been at work*, **ASTRAL ~s**, **FAMILIAR ~s**, *peace to his departed ~*. 4. Person's mental or moral nature or qualities, as *a man of an unbending ~; the poor in ~, the meek*. 5. Courage, self-assertion, vivacity, energy, dash, as *if you had the ~ of a mouse, do show a little ~, went at it with ~, infused ~ into his men, people of ~*. 6. Person viewed as supplying this (= soul, but usu. w. adj.), as *was the animating ~ of the rebellion*. 7. Mental or moral condition or attitude, mood, as *took it in a wrong ~, depends on the ~ in which it is done, did it in a ~ of mischief, objections made in a captious ~*. 8. Real meaning opp. to verbal expression, as *must consider the ~ of the law, not the letter, have followed out the ~ of his instructions*. 9. Animating principle or

influence, mental or moral tendency, as *cannot resist the ~ of the age or times*.

10. (Formerly) immaterial principle governing vital phenomena, whence (mod.) **ANIMAL ~s**; *high or great ~s*, cheerfulness & buoyancy; *poor or low ~s*, depression. 11. (Usu. pl.) strong distilled liquor esp. alcohol, e.g. brandy, whiskey, gin, rum, as *glass of ~s & water*, **ARDENT ~s**, *touches no ~ but gin*. 12. Solution (of volatile principle) in alcohol, tincture; ~s of salt, hydrochloric acid; ~ or ~s of wine, alcohol; **METHYLATED ~**.

13. ~ *blue*, aniline blue soluble in alcohol; ~ *duck*, kinds of duck diving rapidly at flash of gun etc.; || ~*lamp* (burning alcohol instead of oil); ~*level*, glass tube partly filled with ~ for testing horizontality; ~*rapper*, person professing to hold intercourse with departed ~s by means of their raps on table etc., so ~*rapping*; ~*room* (Naut.), paymaster's store-room, formerly used for ~s. [f. L *spiritus* breath, spirit, f. *spirare* breathe]

spirit², v.t. Convey (usu. away, off, etc.) rapidly and secretly (as) by agency of spirits; cheer (person, usu. up). [f. prec.]

spirited, a. Full of spirit, animated, lively, brisk, courageous, as *a ~ translation, attack, reply*; having specified spirit, as *high, mean, proud, jealous, ~*; having specified spirits, as *low-~*. Hence (-)~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [-ED²]

spiritless, a. Wanting in courage, vigour, or vivacity. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [-LESS]

spirited³, adv. (mus.). With spirit. [It.]

spirital, a. & n. 1. Of spirit as opp. to matter; of the soul esp. as acted on by God, as ~ *life*; of, proceeding from, God, holy, divine, inspired, as ~ *songs, the ~ law; the ~ man*, inner nature of man, (also esp. in N.T.) regenerate man (opp. to *natural, carnal*); concerned with sacred or religious things, as *our ~ interests, ~ (ecclesiastical) courts, ~ corporations; lords ~*, bishops & archbishops in House of Lords; having the higher qualities of the mind. 2. n. Religious song peculiar to American negroes (also negro ~). Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [L OF *spiritalis* f. L *spiritalis* (as **SPIRIT**, see -AL)]

spiritalism, n. Belief that departed spirits communicate with & show themselves to men, esp. (also *modern ~ism*) at seances by means of spirit-rapping, -handwriting, etc., so **spir'ritism**, **spir'rit-ist**, nn.; (Philos.) doctrine that spirit exists as distinct from matter or that spirit is the only reality (cf. **MATERIALISM**). Hence or cogn. ~**IST** n., ~**ISM** n. [-ISM]

spiritual¹, n. Spiritual quality; (usu. pl.) what belongs or is due to the Church or to an ecclesiastic as such, as *the ~ies of his office, ~y of benefices, tithes of land* etc. [f. OF *spiritualis* f. LL *spiritualis* (as **SPIRITUAL**, see -ITY)]

spī'ritūālīz[e], v.t. Make spiritual, elevate, (character, person, thoughts); (rare) infuse life into, animate; attach spiritual as opp. to literal meaning to. Hence ~'TION n. [f. *F spiritualiser* (as SPIRITUAL, see -IZE)]

spīritūēl(le)', a. (Chiefly of women) marked by refinement, grace, or delicacy of mind. [F, as SPIRITUAL]

spī'rituous, a. Containing much alcohol, distilled not fermented, as ~ liquors (also used loosely of beer etc.). Hence ~NESS n. [f. OF *spirituosus* f. L as SPIRIT, -OUS]

spī'ritus, n. (Gk gram.). ~ *ās'per*, *lēs'is*, = rough, smooth, BREATHING¹. [L]

spī'rīvāle, a. Having spiral shell; (of shell) spiral. [f. L *spira* SPIRE² + *valva* door]

spīrk'ēting, n. Inside planking between top of waterways & lower sills of ports. [f. obs. *spirket*, *spur-*, etym. dub.]

spīfo-¹ in comb. = Gk *speira* coil, as ~ *chēle* (-kēt'ē), spiral-shaped bacterium.

spī'fo-² in comb. (irreg.) = *L spirio* breathe in sense 'breath', as: ~ *ograph*, instrument for marking breathing movement; ~ *ōm'eter*, ~ *oscope*, instrument for measuring lung capacity, so ~ *omet'ric* a., ~ *ōm'etry* n.; ~ *ophore*, instrument for inducing respiration in cases of suspended animation.

spīft, **spūft**, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Gush out in a jet or stream; cause (liquid etc.) to do this. 2. n. Sudden gushing out, jet. [f]

spīft', n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Slender bar on which meat that is to be roasted is made to rotate before fire; small point of land running into sea; long narrow underwater bank. 2. v.t. Thrust a ~ through (meat etc.); (fig.) pierce, transfix, with sword etc. [(vb f. n.) OE *spitu*, cf. Du. *spit*, G *spies*]

spīft', v.i. & t. (*spat* or arch. *spū*), & n. 1. Eject saliva ((~ & *polish*), furbishing work of soldier etc.); eject (saliva, blood, food etc. *out*) from mouth; (fig.) utter (oaths, threats, etc.) vehemently (~ *it out*, al., exhortation to speak or sing louder); (of cat etc., fig. of person) make noise as of ~ting as sign of anger or hostility; (of rain) fall lightly, (of fire, candle, pen) send out sparks, stray ink, etc.; ~ *at* or *upon*, (fig.) treat with ignominy; ~ *fire*, person of fiery temper, (also ~ *devil*) toy oone of wet gunpowder ~ting when ignited. Hence ~ *t'z*¹ n. 2. n. ~ting (esp. of cat), spaw of some insects; spittle; *the (very) ~ of* (exact counterpart of, likeness of, as *he is the very ~ of his father*). [(n. f. vb) OE *spittan*, also *spēttan* (whence past & p.p. *spat*); prob. cogn. w. ON *spitta*, Da. *spytte*, Sw. *spotta*, and w. *spout*]

spīft', n. Spade-depth (*dig it two ~s or ~ deep*). [Du., cf. OE *spittan* dig]

spīth'cōck, a., & v.t. 1. Eel split & broiled. 2. v.t. Prepare thus (eel, fish, bird). [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

spite, n., & v.t. 1. Ill will, malice, as *did it from pure ~* or *in or out of ~*; grudge, as *has a ~ against me*; (*in*) ~ *of*, notwithstanding. 2. v.t. Thwart, mortify, annoy, as *does it to ~ me*, *cut off one's nose to ~ one's face*, injure oneself by vindictive or resentful conduct. Hence ~'FUL (-tī-) a., ~'fully² adv., ~'fulness n. [(vb f. n.) short for DESPITE]

spī'tle, n. Saliva esp. as ejected from mouth. [OE *spāll* (*spēttan* SPIR³)]

spīttōōn, n. Vessel to spit into, usu. round metal or earthenware vessel with funnel-shaped top. [Irreg. f. SPIR³ + -ōōn]

spītz, n. (Also ~ *dog*) small kind of dog with pointed muzzle, Pomeranian. [G *spitz(hund)* f. *spitz* pointed, *hund* dog]

|| **spiv**, n. (sl.). Shady character who avoids honest work & lives by his wits esp. in black-market traffic. [f]

spīlānch'nīc (-ngk-), a. Of the entrails, intestinal. So ~-o comb. form, ~ōl'ōey, ~ōr'ōmy, nn. [f. Gk *spilachnikos* (*spilachna* entrails, see 10)]

spīlāsh, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Respatter (person etc. *with water*, mud, etc.); dash, spatter, (liquid about, on or over person etc.); (of liquid) fly about in drops or scattered portions; (of person) cause liquid to do this, make one's way, move across, along, etc., thus; step, fall, plunge, etc., *into* (water etc.) so as to ~ it; decorate with scattered ornamentation. 2. n. ~ing; quantity of liquid ~ed; resulting noise, as *we heard a ~*; || (colloq.) small quantity of soda-water etc. (diluting whisky etc.); spot of dirt etc. ~ed on to things; patch of colour esp. on animal's skin; *make a ~*, (fig.) attract much attention, create sensation; complexion powder usu. of rice-flour; ~ *board*, guard in front of wheeled vehicle to keep mud off occupants. Hence ~'y² a. [= FLASH with emphat. s- (= OF *es-* f. L *ex-*)]

spīlāsh'er, n. In vbl senses; also: kinds of guard placed over wheels of locomotive etc. to keep off mud etc.; screen behind wash-stand to protect wall. [-EY¹]

spīlātt'er, v.i. & t. 1. Make continuous splashing sound; speak (a language, or abs.) unintelligibly; || ~ *dash*, noise, clamour; || ~ *dashes*, = SPATTER *dashes*. [prob. var. of SPATTER]

spīlay, v.t. & i., n., & a. 1. Construct (aperture) with divergent sides (~ *ed loop-hole*, *window*, *doorway*, with opening wider at one side of wall), (of aperture or its sides) be so shaped or set; dislocate (esp. horse's shoulder). 2. n. Surface making oblique angle with another, e.g. ~ *ed side* of window, embrasure. 3. adj. Wide & flat, turned outward; ~ *foot* n. & a., (having) broad flat foot turned outward; ~ *mouth*, wide mouth, mouth stretched wide in grimace. [(n. & adj. f. vb) ME *spilayen*, short for DISPLAY]

spleen, n. 1. Organ producing certain

modifications in the blood of most vertebrates, situated in mammals at left of stomach. 2. Lowness of spirits, ill temper, spite, as a fit of ~, vented his ~, whence ~FUL, ~ISH¹, ~Y², aa., ~FULLY³, ~ishly⁴, adv. 3. ~wort, kinds of fern formerly used for ~ disorders. Hence ~LESS a. [f. L. Gk *splên*]

splên- in comb. = Gk *splên* spleen, as: ~ôl'gia, pain in (region of) spleen, so ~ôl'gic a.; ~ec'tomy, excision of spleen; ~it'is, inflammation of spleen, so ~it'ic a.; ~ôl'ogy, study of spleen, so ~ôlô'gical a.; ~ôl'omy incision into, dissection of, spleen.

splên'dent, a. (mineral, entom.). Having bright metallic lustre. [f. L. *splendêre* shine, see -ENT]

splên'did, a. Magnificent, gorgeous, sumptuous, glorious, brilliant, as a ~ palace, gift, achievement, victory; (of person) affecting splendour (in surroundings etc.); (colloq.) excellent, capital, as here is a ~ chance of escape. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L. *splendîdus* (as prec., see -ID¹)]

splêndif'erous, a. (colloq.). Splendid. [irreg. f. foll. + -FEROUS]

splên'dour (-der), n. Great or dazzling brightness; magnificence, grandeur; (Her.) sun in ~ (with rays & human face). [OF, f. L. *splendorem* (as SPLENDENT, see -OR¹)]

splênêt'ic, a. & n. 1. Ill-tempered, peevish, whence ~ICALLY adv.; of the spleen. 2. n. Medicine for, sufferer from, disease of the spleen. [f. LL *spleneticus* (as SPLEEN, see -ETIO)]

splên'ial, a. (anat.). Acting like a splint; of the splenius. [-AL]

splên'ic, a. Of, in, the spleen, as ~ fever, anthrax. So **splên'oid** a. [f. L. f. Gk *splênikos* (as SPLEEN, see -IO)]

splên'ius, n. (pl. -ii). (Either section of) muscle on back & sides of neck serving to draw back the head. [f. Gk *splênion* bandage]

splêniz'ation, n. Conversion of lung into substance resembling spleen. [-IZE, -ATION]

splice, v.t., & n. 1. Join ends of (ropes) by interweaving strands; join (pieces of timber etc.) in overlapping position; (colloq.) join in marriage, as when did he or they get ~d?; ~ the MAIN² brace. 2. n. Junction of two ropes or pieces of wood etc. by splicing; SYN¹ ~; sit on the ~ (Cricket sl.), play a cautious defensive game, stonewall. [(n. f. vb) f. MDu. *splissen* perh. cogn. w. SPLIT]

spline, n., & v.t. 1. Rectangular key fitting into grooves in hub & shaft of wheel & allowing longitudinal play; slit; flexible wood or rubber strip used in drawing large curves esp. in railway work. 2. v.t. Fit with ~. [?]

splint, n., & v.t. 1. Strip of rigid or flexible material for holding broken bone

when set or for basketwork etc.; (Anat., also ~bone) either of two small bones in horse's foreleg lying behind & in close contact with cannon-bone, (in man) fibula; tumour on, callus due to disease of, ~bone of horse; ~coal, canal coal of slaty structure. 2. v.t. Confine (broken limb etc.) with ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. MDu. or MLG *splinte* metal plate or pin]

splin'ter, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Split (t. & i.) into long thin pieces, shiver. 2. n. Sharp-edged or thin piece broken off from wood, stone, etc.; || ~bar, cross-bar in vehicle supporting springs or to which traces are attached; ~bone, fibula; ~proof (against ~s of bursting shells or bombs). [(n. f. vb) MDu., cf. prec.]

splin'ter'y, a. Of splinters; splinter-like; apt to splinter. [-Y¹]

split¹, v.t. & i. (*split*). 1. Break forcibly, be broken, into parts esp. with the grain or plane of cleavage. 2. Divide into parts, thickness, etc., as ~ it into three layers, the job, sum, etc., was ~ (usu. up) among 6 of us, ~ one's vote, vote for each of opposed candidates, ~ the difference, take mean quantity etc. between two proposed; ~ hairs, draw over-subtle distinctions, so HAIR~ing. 3. Divide (t. & i.) into disagreeing or hostile parties (on question etc.). 4. ~ (one's sides or intr.), be convulsed with laughter, so side~ing a. & n., side~ler (person or joke); head is ~ing (feels acute pain), a ~ing (acute) headache. 5. ~ on (sl.), betray the secrets of (accomplice etc.). 6. ~ cloth (Surg.), bandage with several tails esp. for head & face; ~ gear, wheel (made in halves for removal from shaft); ~ infinitive (with adverb etc. inserted between to and verb, e.g. seems to partly correspond); ~ moss, kinds of which capsules ~ at maturity; ~ peas(e) (dried & ~ in half for cooking); ~ PIN¹; ~ ring (usu. of steel on the pattern of those used for bunches of keys); ~ second, a very short period of time; ~ shot, stroke, stroke at croquet driving two touching balls in different directions. Hence (-)~TER¹ (1, 2) n. [f. MDu. *splitten*, cf. Du. *splitten* & *splijten*, G. *splissen*]

split², n. 1. Splitting; fissure, rent, crack. 2. Separation into parties, schism, rupture. 3. Split oiler etc. for parts of basket-work; each of the strips of steel, cane, etc., of reed in loom; single thickness of split hide. 4. (In faro) turning up of two cards of equal value so that stakes are divided. 5. Half bottle of aerated water, half glass of liquor. 6. pl. Acrobat's trick of sitting on ground with legs spread out laterally, as do ~s. [f. prec.]

splôsh, n. (colloq.). A quantity of water suddenly dropped or thrown down; || (sl.) money. [imit.]

splôtch, **splôdge**, nn. Daub, smear. Hence **splôtch'y** a. [-tch f. 17th, -dge 19th, c.; -stym. dub.]

spurge, n., & v.t. (Make) noisy display or effort. [U.S. wd. prob. imit.]

spütt'er, v.t. & t., & n. = **SPUTTER**. Hence ~**er** n. [for -t. of **SP(L)ATTER**]

Spöde, n. A fine pottery. [J. ~, maker, d. 1827]

spöff'ish, a. (sl.). Bustling, fussy. [?]

spoil¹, n. 1. (Usu. pl. or collect. sing.) plunder taken from enemy in war, (fig.) profit, advantage, accruing from success in contest etc., emoluments of public office etc. 2. ~s *system*, practice of giving public offices to adherents of successful party, whence ~s'man, advocate of, one who seeks to profit by, this. 3. A draw in the game of ~-five, in which each player has five cards. 4. Earth etc. thrown or brought up in excavating, dredging, etc. [f. OF *espoille* f. L *spolium* skin stripped off animal, (usu. pl.) *spoli*]

spoil², v.t. & i. (~t or ~ed). 1. (arch., literary; never ~t). Plunder, deprive (person of thing), by force or stealth, as ~ the Egyptians (persons regarded as one's natural enemies etc.; *Exod.* xii. 36). 2. Impair the qualities of, or person's enjoyment of, as *was quite ~t by the rain*, *will ~ all the fun*, *always ~ a joke in the telling*, *the news ~t his dinner*, ~ one's beauty for him (with black eye etc.). 3. Injure character of (person etc.) by indulgence, as *spare the rod & ~ the child*, *are determined to ~ me*, *is the ~t child of fortune*. 4. (sl.). Maim or kill or do for (person). 5. (Of fruit, fish, etc., fig. of joke etc.) decay, go bad, as *will not ~ with keeping*, *dog is ~ing* (ripe, eager) for a fight. 6. ~-sport, one who ~s sport. Hence ~**er** n. [f. OF *espoillier* f. L *spoliare* strip, plunder (as prec.)]

spoil'age, n. Paper spoilt in printing. [-AGE]

spoke¹, n., & v.t. 1. Each of the bars running from hub to rim of wheel, whence ~-wise (-kw-) adv.; rung of ladder; each radial handle of steering-wheel of vessel; bar used to prevent wheel from turning esp. in going down hill, as (fig.) *put a ~ in person's wheel*, thwart his purposes; ~-bone, radius of forearm; ~-shave, plane-bit between two handles, used for ~s & other esp. curved work where ordinary plane is not available. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~s, check (wheel) with ~; *spoking-machine* (for giving uniform inclination to ~s of wheel). [(vb f. n.) OE *spōca*, cf. Du. *speek*, G *speiche*]

spoke², spoken, -spoken. See **SPEAK**. **spokes'man** (-ks-), n. (pl. -men). One who speaks for others, representative. [Irreg. f. **SPOKE** + -ES + MAN]

spo'ke opt'm's, n. (Rom. Ant.) arms stripped from hostile general by Roman commander in single combat; (fig.) supreme achievement or distinction. [L. -rich spoils]

spoli'ation, n. Plunder, pillage, esp. of

neutral vessels by belligerent, (fig.) extortion; (Eccl.) taking of fruits of beneficence under pretended title, *writ of ~* (for recovery of these); (Law) destruction, mutilation, alteration, of document to prevent its being used as evidence. Hence or cogn. **spol'i'ator** n., **spol'i'atory** a. [F. f. L *spoliationem* (as, **SPOIL**², see -ATION)]

spōndā'ic, a. Of spondees; (of hexameter) having spondee as fifth foot. [f. F *spondaque* ult. f. Gk foll., see -AO)]

spōn'dee (-di), n. Metrical foot - ~ [f. L f. Gk *spondeios* (pous) foot) used in making treaty (*spondai* n. pl. f. *spendō* make libation)]

***spōndūl'icks**, n. pl. (sl.). Money. [?] **spōn'dyl'(e)**, n. Joint of backbone, vertebra. Hence ~(-o)-comb. form. [F (-le), f. L f. Gk *spondulos* (prop. *spho-*)]

sponge¹ (-ŭn), n. 1. Aquatic animal of low order with pores in the body-wall, whence **spōngōl'oigst**, **spōngōl'oey**, (-ngg-), nn. 2. Skeleton of a ~ or colony of ~s (whence **spō'ngiroam** (-ŭnj-) a.), esp. elastic kind chiefly from the Levant used as absorbent in bathing, cleansing surfaces, etc.; *throw up the ~*, (of boxer or his attendant) throw into the air as token of defeat the ~ used between rounds, (fig.) abandon contest, own oneself beaten; *pass the ~ over*, agree to forget (offence etc.). 3. Thing of ~like absorbency or consistence, e.g. piece of leavened dough, ~-cake, absorbent pad used in surgery, kind of mop for cleaning bore of big gun, iron or other metal in finely divided condition. 4. (fig.). Parasite, person who contrives to live at another's expense. 5. ~-BATH; ~-cake, light cake of ~like consistence; ~ cloth, soft loosely woven fabric with wrinkled surface; ~ cucumber, ~gourd, vegetable ~, kind of gourd used in Turkish baths as rubber or towel, loofah; ~ lent, compressed ~ for keeping wound etc. open; ~-tree, spiny tropical shrub of bean family with globose heads of fragrant yellow flowers. [OE, f. L f. Gk *spoggia* var. of *sp(h)oggos*, cf. *fungus*]

sponge² (-ŭn), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Wipe, cleanse, with sponge; *shooze water over* (parts of body etc., or abs., often *down, over*) with sponge; *wipe out, efface*, (writing, fig. memory of thing etc., usu. *out*) with sponge; absorb, take up, (water etc.) with sponge; gather sponges; procure by sycophantic arts; ~ on, live as the parasite of, be meanly dependent on (person for thing). 2. n. Sponging, bath with sponge, as *had a ~ down*. Hence **spō'nger**¹(1, 2) (-ŭnj-) n. [(n. f. vb) f. LL *spongare* (as prec.)]

spō'ging (-ŭnj-), n. In vbl senses; ~-house (hist., in arch. sense *squeezing*), bailiff's house for temporary lodging of arrested debtor. [-ING²]

spongiopil'ine (spünj-), *n.* Substitute for poultice made of sponge & fibre backed with rubber. [as SPONGE¹ + Gk *pilos* felt + -INE¹]

spo'ngly (-tünj), *a.* Like sponge; porous, compressible, elastic, absorbent, as sponge; (of metal) finely divided & loosely coherent. Hence ~INESS *n.* [-Y¹]

spôn'sion (-shn), *n.* Being surety for another; (Internat. Law) engagement made on behalf of State by agent not specially authorized. [f. L *sponsio* (*spondere* *spons-* promise, see -ION)]

spôn'son, *n.* Projection from side of warship to enable gun to be trained forward & aft; triangular platform before & abaft paddle-box. [?]

spôn'sor, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Godfather or god-mother; person who makes himself responsible for another; advertiser who pays for a broadcast programme into which advertisements of his wares are introduced. 2. *v.t.* Be ~ for. Hence **spôn'sor'ial** *a.*, ~SHIP *n.* [L (*spondere* *spons-* promise, see -OR¹)]

spôntân'eous, *a.* 1. Acting, done, occurring, without external cause; voluntary, without external incitement, as *made a ~ offer of his services*; (of sudden movements etc.) involuntary, not due to conscious volition; growing naturally without cultivation; (Biol., of structural changes in plants, muscular activity in esp. young animals) instinctive, automatic, prompted by no motive; (of bodily movements, literary style, etc.) gracefully natural & unconstrained. 2. ~ *combustion*, ignition of mineral or vegetable substance (e.g. heap of rags soaked with oil, mass of wet coal) from heat engendered by rapid oxidation; ~ *generation*, production of living from non-living matter as inferred from appearance of life (due in fact to bacteria etc.) in some infusions; ~ *suggestion* (from association of ideas without conscious volition). Hence or cogn. **spôntané'ity**, ~NESS, *nn.*, ~LY² *adv.* [f. L *spontaneus* (*spondere* of one's own accord, see -ANEOUS)]

spôntôn', *n.* (hist.). Kind of halberd used by some British infantry officers. [f. F *sponton* f. It. *spontone* f. *puntone*, *punto*, point]

spôff, *v.t.*, & *n.* (sl.). Swindle, humbug, hoax; (attrib.) faked or fabricated. Hence ~ER¹ *n.* [arbitrary]

spôok, *n.* (doc.). Ghost. Hence ~ISH¹, ~Y², *aa.* [Du., cf. G *spuk*]

spôol, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Reel for winding yarn, photographic film, etc., on; revolving shaft of angler's reel. 2. *v.t.* Wind on ~. [f. MDu. *spoel*, cf. Sw. *spole*, G *spule*]

spôn'¹, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Utensil consisting of round or oval bowl & a handle for conveying esp. liquid food to mouth, usu. of silver or plated metal for table use. (See, descent, table, ~, of

medium, large, size, esp. as recognized measure for medicine; APOSTLE ~, see¹, salt, mustard, ~; marrow~, for getting marrow from bones) & of wood or iron for cooking etc.; BORN with silver ~ in mouth; long ~ & the devil (see SUR); wooden ~ (hist.), (wooden ~ given to) last man in Cambridge mathematical tripos; egg ~ & ~ race; ~-shaped thing, esp. (oar with) broad curved blade, wooden golf-club with more loft than driver & brassie. 2. ~ (-bail), bright revolving ~-shaped piece of metal used as lure in fishing; ~'beak, ~bill, kinds of bird; ~drift, see SPINDRIFT; ~fed, (fig., of industries etc.) artificially encouraged by bounties or import duties; ~meal, liquid food, food for infants (also fig.); ~net, angler's landing-net. 3. *vb.* Take (liquid etc., usu. up, out) with ~; fish with ~-bait; (Croquet) make pushing stroke; (Cricket) strike (ball) feebly, send up (ball, a catch) thus, with bat. Hence (-)~FUL *n.* [(vb f. n.) OE *spôn*, cf. Du. *spaan*, G *span*]

spôon'², *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* (sl.). 1. Simpleton; silly or demonstratively fond lover; be ~ on, be silly in love with. 2. *vb.* Behave amorously, behave thus towards (girl etc.). [f. prec.]

spôon'er(ism), *n.* Accidental transposition of initial letters etc. of two or more words (e.g. *has just received a blushing crow, for real enjoyment give me a well-boiled icicle*). [f. Rev. W. A. Spooner (d. 1930), esteemed for ~s, + -ISM]

spôon'y, *a.* & *n.* (sl.). 1. Soft, silly; sentimental, amorous, sweet (upon). 2. *n.* Mild simpleton. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~INESS *n.* [prob. f. SPOON¹, -Y¹]

spoor, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Track, scent, of animal. 2. *vb.* Follow by ~. Hence ~ER¹ *n.* [Du, perh. cogn. w. SPUR, cf. OE & ON *spor*, G *spur*]

sporád'ic, *a.* Occurring only here & there, separate, scattered. Hence ~AL *a.* (rare), ~ALLY² *adv.*, ~ALNESS *n.* [f. med. L f. Gk *sporadikos* (*sporas* -ados scattered, cf. *speirô* sow, see -IO)]

sporân'gium, *n.* (bot.). Case in which spores are produced. [f. Gk *spora* SPORN + *ageion* vessel]

spôre, *n.* (Bot., in cryptogamous plants) single cell that becomes free & capable of individual development; (Biol.) minute organic body that develops into new individual; (fig.) seed, germ, of anything. [f. Gk *spora* sowing, seed, f. *speirô* sow]

spôr'o- in comb. = prec., as: ~ogen'esis, spore-formation; ~ô'genous, producing spores.

spôr'ran, *n.* Pouch, usu. covered with fur etc., worn by Highlander in front of kilt. [f. Gael. *sporan*]

sport, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Amusement, diversion, fun; in ~, jestingly, make ~ of, turn into ridicule, make fun of; be ~y,

(plaything, butt) of *Fortune* etc.; pastime, game; outdoor pastime, e.g. hunting, fishing, racing; *have good ~*, esp. make good bag or basket when shooting etc.; *athletic ~s*, running, jumping, putting weight, etc., meeting of athletes to compete in these, as *school ~s*, *inter-university ~s* (~s *coat*, *jacket*, giving freedom of movement; ~s *field*; ~s *car*, for racing); animal, plant, deviating suddenly or strikingly from normal type; (sl.) good fellow, ~sman; ~s'man, ~s'woman, person fond of ~s esp. hunting, shooting, or fishing, (fig.) person who regards life as a game in which opponents must be allowed fair play, person ready to play a bold game, whence ~s'manship n.; ~s'manlike, befitting, worthy of, a ~sman. 2. vb. Divert oneself, take part in pastime; (part.) interested in ~, as a ~ing man, ~smanlike, as ~ing conduct, ~ing offer, whence ~ingly¹ adv.; (Bot., Zool.) become or produce a ~; wear, exhibit, produce, esp. ostentatiously, as ~ed a gold tie-pin; || ~ one's OAK. [short for DISPORT]

spôrt'ive, a. Playful. Hence ~ly¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-IVE]

spô'rûle, n. Spore; small spore. Hence ~AR¹ a. [-ULE]

spôt¹, n. 1. Particular place, definite locality, as *dropped it on this precise ~*, *the ~ where William III landed*; a tender ~, (fig.) subject on which one is touchy. 2. Small part of the surface of a thing distinguished by colour, texture, etc., usu. round or less elongated than a streak or stripe, small mark or stain, pimple, as *a blue tie with pink ~s*, *sun ~s*, *can the LEOPARD change his ~s?*; (fig.) moral blemish, stain, as *without a ~ on his reputation*. 3. Kinds of fish & domestic pigeon. 4. (sl.) Act of spotting winner etc.; horse etc. so spotted. 5. (colloq.). Small quantity of anything (*a ~ of leave*, *lunch*); a drink. 6. (billiards). Small round black patch near each end of table equidistant from sides; || ~stroke, pocketing red ball when placed on ~ remote from ball; || ~barred game (in which successive ~strokes are not allowed); ~ (-ball), white ball distinguished from the other by black ~. 7. On the ~, without delay or change of place, then & there, (of person) wide awake, equal to the situation, in good form at game etc.; **put on the ~* (sl.), decide on the assassination of, murder. 8. (commerce.). ~ cash, cotton, wheat, prices (to be paid or delivered immediately on sale); ~s, commodities sold for ~ cash. 9. ~light (Theatr.), beam of light thrown on a particular actor, or the projector used for this purpose (also fig., as LIMELIGHT). Hence ~NESS, ~ty¹ a., ~lessly¹ adv., ~lessness, ~t'NESS, nn. [ME, cf. MDu. *spotte*, *spot*]

spôt², v.t. & i. (-tt-). 1. Mark, stain, soil, with spots (lit., & fig. of character etc.); (of material etc.) be (liable to be) marked with spots. 2. (colloq.). Single out beforehand (winner of race etc., horse etc. as winner for event); detect, recognize nationality etc. of, as ~led him at once as an American, can always ~ a dun. 3. (Mil.) locate enemy's position (esp. from the air; whence ~ter¹ n., aviator detailed for such work, also person trained in aircraft recognition). 4. (p.p.). Marked with spots, esp. in names of animals; || ~led dog (sl.), = PLUM-DUFF; ~led fever, cerebro-spinal meningitis. Hence ~t'EDNESS n. [f. prec.]

spouse (-z), n. Husband or wife. [f. OF *spousus* masc., *spuse* fem., f. L p.p. of *spondere* promise]

spout, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Discharge, issue, forcibly in a jet, as *blood ~s from wound*, *wounds ~ blood*, *whale ~s water*; utter (verses etc., or abs.) in declamatory manner, speechify; (sl.) pawn. 2. n. Projecting tube through which liquid etc. is poured from teapot, kettle, gutter of roof, etc.; sloping trough down which thing may be shot into receptacle, esp. shoot in pawnbroker's shop, as *his watch is up the ~* (in pawn); jet, column, of liquid or grain etc.; WATER¹ ~; (also ~hole) spiracle of whale. Hence ~EN¹ n., ~LESS a. [ME *spouten* vb, *spoute* n., cf. Du. *spuiten*; cogn. w. SPIT¹]

sprâg, n. Billet of wood or similar device for checking wheel of car etc. [?]

sprain, v.t., & n. 1. Wrench (ankle, wrist, etc.) violently so as to cause pain & swelling but not dislocation. 2. n. Such wrench, resulting inflammation & swelling. [f. 17th c., etym. dub.]

|| **spraints**, n. pl. Otter's dung. [f. OF *espraintes* lit. out-pressings f. OF *espreindre* f. L *EX* (primere = premere press)]

sprang. See SPRING¹.

sprât, n., & v.i. (-tt-). 1. Small European herring-like fish much used as food; other kinds of fish, e.g. sand-eel, young herring; *throw a ~ to catch a herring* or *mackerel* or *whale*, risk a little to gain much; (joc.) thin child; || ~day, Nov. 9, on which ~ season begins in England. 2. v.i. Fish for ~s, whence ~t'ER¹, ~t'ING¹, nn. [(vb f. n.) OE *sprot*, cf. G *sprott*, Du. *sprot*]

sprawl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Spread oneself, spread (one's limbs), out in careless or ungainly way; (of writing, plant, etc.) be of irregular or straggling form; open out (troops) irregularly. 2. n. ~ing movement or attitude. [OE *spreaculan*, cf. NFr. *spraveil*]

spray¹, n. Branch of tree with branchlets or flowers, esp. slender or graceful one, sprig of flowers or leaves; ornament in similar form, as a ~ of diamonds etc.; ~drain, drain in field etc. made by filling

trench with branches. Hence *~ey*¹ a. [cf. CLAYBY]. [ME, etym. dub.]

spray², n., & v.t. 1. Water or other liquid flying in small drops from force of wind, dashing of waves, or action of atomizer etc.; medical or other liquid preparation to be applied in this form with atomizer etc. 2. v.t. Throw (liquid, or abs.) in form of *~*, sprinkle (object) thus. 3. *~board* (on boat's gunwale to keep off *~*). Hence *~er*¹(1, 2) n., *~ey*² a. [cf. MDu. *spraeyen*, MHG *spreien*, to sprinkle]

spread¹(-ed), v.t. & i. (*spread*). 1. Extend the surface of, cause to cover larger surface, by unrolling, unfolding, smearing, flattening out, etc., (fig.) display thus to eye or mind, as *peacock ~s its tail*, *~ oneself* (sl., = talk bumptiously), *~ a banner*, *~ out a rug on the grass*, *~ butter on bread*, *map lay ~ out on the table*, *the view ~ out before us*, whence *~er*¹(2) n. 2. Show extended or extensive surface, as *river here ~s out to a width of half a mile*, *on every side ~ a vast desert*, *~ing news*. 3. Diffuse, be diffused, as *his name ~ fear in every quarter*, *rumour ~ from mouth to mouth*, *has ~ a malicious report*. 4. Cover surface of, as *slices of bread ~ with jam*, *a table ~ with every luxury*, *meadow ~ with daisies*. 5. *~ eagle*, figure of eagle with legs & wings extended as seen on coins etc., skating movement on both inside edges at once one forward & the other back, (colloq.) fowl split open down the back & broiled, (Naut.) person lashed in rigging with arms and legs *~ out* as punishment, (adj., *~eagle*) bombastic, esp. noisily patriotic, whence *~eagleism* n. 6. *~over (system)*, elasticity in accommodating restricted work-hours to special needs. [OE *sprædan*, cf. Du. *spreiden*, G *spretten*]

spread²(-ed), n. Spreading; capability of expanding, as *inferior to the eagle in ~ of wings*; increased bodily girth, as *middle-aged* *~*; breadth, compass, as *arches of equal ~*; diffusion (of education etc.); (colloq.) feast, meal, as *had no end of a ~*; * (Commerc.) difference between cost of manufacture & selling price. [f. prec.]

spre, n., & v.i. Lively frolic, bout of drinking etc., as *is on the (having a) ~*; (v.i.) have a *~*. [19th-c. sl., etym. dub.]

sprēnt, a. (arch.). Sprinkled, over-spread, (with drops, particles, etc.). [p.p. of obs. *spreng* f. OE *sprengan* make SPRING¹]

sprig, n., & v.t. (-gg-). 1. Small branch, shoot; ornament of *~* form; small headless nail; (usu. derog.) youth, young man, as *who is this ~?*, *a ~ of the nobility*. 2. v.t. Ornament with *~s*, as *~ed muslin*. 3. *~tail*, kinds of duck & grouse with pointed tail. Hence *~g*¹*~g*² a. [sense *weil* f. 14th, *shoot* f. 15th, c.; prob. two wds; etym. dub.]

spright¹ly (-it-), a. Vivacious, lively, gay. Hence *~liness* n. [f. SPAIN & *~ly*¹]

spring¹, v.i. & t. (*sprang*, *sprung*). 1. Leap, jump, move rapidly or suddenly, (often *up*, *down*, *out*, *over*, *through*, *away*, *back*, etc.), as *sprang (up) from his seat*, *sprang through the gap*, *at his throat*, *to their assistance*, *blood sprang to her cheeks*. 2. Move rapidly as from constrained position or by action of a spring, as *branch sprang back*, *door sprang to*. 3. Come into being (usu. *~ up*), arise (often from source), appear, as *a breeze sprang up*, *the piers from which the arches ~*, *is sprung from or of a royal stock*, *the buds are ~ing*, *the belief has sprung up*, *his actions ~ from a false conviction*; (to person arriving suddenly or unexpectedly or whose presence is only now realized) *where do or did you ~ from?* 4. (Of wood) warp; (t. & i. of wood) split, crack, as *bat is or has sprung*, *have sprung my racket*. 5. p.p. (colloq.). Tipsey. 6. Rouse (game) from earth or covert. 7. Cause to act suddenly by means of a spring, produce or develop suddenly or unexpectedly, as *~ a trap*, *has sprung a new theory*, *loves to ~ surprises on us*. 8. Provide (motor vehicle etc.) with springs (usu. as p.p.). 9. Cause (mine) to burst. 10. (Naut., of ship) *~ a butt*, loosen end of plank by labouring in heavy sea, *~ a leak*, develop leak from starting of timbers, *|| ~ the or her hull*, yield to helm & sail nearer to wind. [OE *springan*, cf. Du. & G *springen*, ON *springa* burst]

spring², n. 1. Leap, as *took a ~*, *rose with a ~*. 2. Season in which vegetation begins, season preceding summer (esp. from about March 21 to June 22). 3. Place where water or oil wells up from earth, basin so formed, as *hot*, *mineral*, *~s*. 4. Backward movement from constrained position, recoil, e.g. of bow. 5. Elasticity, as *his muscles have no ~ in them*. 6. Elastic contrivance usu. of bent or coiled metal used esp. as motive power in clockwork etc. or for preventing jar as in vehicle, as *bow ~* (bow-shaped), *CEE ~*, *air or pneumatic ~* (working by compression of air), *HAIR ~*, *MAIN ~*. 7. (fig.) Motive actuating person etc., source, origin, as *the ~s of human action*, *the custom had its ~ in another country*. 8. Upward curve of beam etc. from horizontal line. 9. Starting of plank. 10. Springing of leak. 11. Mooring-rope. 12. pl. Period of *~* tide. 13. *~ balance* (measuring weight by tension of *~*); *~ beam*, beam stretching across wide space without intermediate support, elastic bar used as *~* in tilt-hammer etc.; *~ bed*, mattress, mattress formed of spiral *~s* in wooden frame; *~ board*, elastic board giving impetus in leaping, diving, etc.; *~ carriage*, cart (mounted on *~s*); *~ gun* (contrived to go off when trespasser or animal stumbles on it); *~ hall*, convulsive movement of horse's hind leg in walking;

~ *tide*, high tide occurring shortly after new & full moon in each month; ~ *tide*, ~ *time*, season of ~; ~ *water* (from ~, opp. to river or rain water). Hence ~ *less*, ~ *like*, aa., ~ *let* n. [OE, f. prec.]

|| **spring'al(d)**, n. (arch.). Youngster. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

spring'bök, n. S.-Afr. gazelle with habit of springing in play or when alarmed; S-~, (nickname for) S. Africans, S.-African football team etc. [S.-Afr. Du.]

springe'(-j), n. Noose, snare, for small game. [ME (spring'1)]

spring'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: (Archit.) part of arch where curve begins, lowest stone of this part, bottom stone of coping of gable, rib of groined roof or vault; kind of spaniel used to spring game; grampus; springbok. [-ER'1]

spring'ý, a. (Of movement or substance) elastic. Hence ~ *iness* n. [-Y'1]

sprinkle (spring'kl), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Scatter (liquid, ashes, crumbs, etc.) in small drops or particles, whence *sprink'ler* (2) n.; subject (ground, object) to sprinkling (with liquid etc.); (of liquid etc.) fall thus on. 2. n. Light shower (of rain etc.), so *sprink'ling* (2) n. (esp., fig., a few here & there of). [(n. f. vb) earlier *sprenkke*, cf. Du. *sprenkelen*, G *sprengen*]

sprint, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Run short distance, run (specified distance), at full speed. 2. n. Such run. Hence ~ *er* n. [cf. ON *spretta*]

sprit, n. Small spar reaching diagonally from mast to upper outer corner of sail; ~ *sail* (-sál, -síl), sail extended by ~, (formerly) sail extended by yard set under bowsprit. [OE *spreot* pole, cogn. w. *SPROUT*]

sprite, n. Elf, fairy, goblin. [ME, as *SPRIT*]

sprück'ët, n. Each of several teeth on wheel engaging with links of chain; ~ *wheel*, such wheel, e.g. for engaging bicycle chain. [1]

sprout, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Begin to grow, shoot forth, put forth shoots; spring up, grow to a height; produce by ~ing, as *has ~ed horns*, a *moustache*. 2. n. Shoot of plant; *BRUSSELS* ~s. [(n. f. vb) OE *sprutan*, cf. Du. *spruiten*, G *sprossen*]

spruce¹ (-oös), a., & v.t. 1. Neat in dress & appearance, trim, smart. 2. v.t. Smarten (oneself etc., usu. up). Hence ~ *ly*¹ adv., ~ *ness* n. [prob. as foll., w. ref. to Prussian leather]

spruce² (-oös), n. (Also ~ *Ar*) kinds of fir; ~ *beer* (made from leaves and small branches of ~, useful as antiscorbutic). [f. AF *Pruce* (F *Prusse*) Prussia, cf. med. L *Sprucia*, used attrib. = Prussian]

sprue³ (-oö), n. Passage through which metal is poured into mould; metal filling ~ [1]

sprue⁴ (-oö), n. Tropical disease (also

pelioria) with ulcerated mucous membrane of mouth & chronic enteritis. [f. Du. *spruw* *THRUER*¹]

spruit (-rát), n. (S. Africa). A small watercourse, usu. almost dry except in the wet season. [Du., see *SPROUT*]

sprung. See *SPRING*¹.

sprý, a. (~er, ~est). Active, lively. [dial. & U.S., etym. dub.]

spüd, n., & v.t. (-dd-). 1. Kinds of small spade for cutting roots of weeds etc.; short thick thing, whence ~ *y*¹ a.; (sl.) potato. 2. v.t. Remove (weeds, often up, out) with ~. [f. 15th c., etym. dub.]

|| **spüd'die**, v.i. (dial.). Dig lightly, dig about, (of amateur gardeners etc.). [orig. alteration of *puddle*; now assoc. w. prec.]

spue. See *SPFW*.

spüm'e, n., & v.i. Froth, foam. Hence ~ *es* *CENCE*, ~ *iness*, nn., ~ *es* *CENT*, ~ *ous*, ~ *y*¹, aa. [f. L *spuma*]

spun. See *SPIN*¹.

sponge. (Arch. for) *SPONGE*.

spünk, n. Courage, mettle, spirit; anger. Hence ~ *y*¹ a. [orig. = spark, tinder; obs. *funk* (cf. G *funk*), & *punk*, *spark* are perh. the same word]

spür, n., & v.t. & i. (-rr-). 1. Pricking instrument with point or (also rowel-) rowel worn on horseman's heel (*put* or *set* ~s to, ~ ~ vb; *need* the ~, be sluggish, also of persons); *win* one's ~s, (hist.) gain knighthood, (fig.) gain distinction, make a name; (fig.) stimulus, incentive; *on the ~ of the moment*, impromptu, on a momentary impulse; ~-shaped thing, e.g. hard projection on cock's leg, steel point fastened to this in cockfight, projecting mountain (range), climbing-iron, wall crossing part of rampart and joining it to interior work, slender hollow projection from some part of flower. 2. || ~ *royal*, coin of James I bearing ~like sun with rays; ~ *wheel*, cog-wheel with radial teeth; ~ *wort*, plant with whorls of leaves like rowel of ~. 3. vb. Prick (horse) with ~s (~ a *willing horse*, fig., be needlessly importunate), inoite (person on to effort, to do, etc.), furnish (person, boots, gamecock, esp. in p.p.) with ~s; (intr.) ride hard (on, forward, etc.). Hence ~ *ness* a. [(vb f. n.) OE *spura*, *spora*, cf. Du. *spoor*, G *sporn*; perh. cogn. w. *SPOOR*]

spürge, n. Kinds of plant with acrid milky juice. [f. OF *espurge* (*espurger* *purge*, as *EXPURGATE*)]

spür'ious, a. Not genuine, not being what it pretends to be, not proceeding from the pretended source, as ~ *coin*, (*reading in*) *M.S.*, *affection*; (Zool.) resembling an organ etc. but not having its function, having the function of organ etc. but morphologically different, as ~ *eyes*, *legs*. Hence ~ *ly*¹ adv., ~ *ness* n. [f. L *spurius* + *-ous*]

|| **spurl'ing-line**, n. (nant.). Line from steering-wheel to telltale in cabin for showing position of helm. [?]

spurn, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Repel, thrust back, with foot; (also arch. ~ *at*) reject with disdain, treat with contempt, (offer, advances, person, etc.). 2. n. ~ing, contemptuous rejection. [OE *spurnan*, cf. ON *spurna*, *sperna*; cogn. w. *SPUR*]

spur'rier (or **spur'**), n. Spur-maker. [-*rr*]

spū'rry, -rey, n. Kinds of herb of pink family, esp. *corn*~, a weed in cornfield etc. [f. Du. *spurrie*, cf. med. L *spergula*]

spurt', v.i., & n. (Make) short sudden violent effort esp. in racing. [var. of *SPURT*, etym. dub.]

spurt'. See *SPURT*.

spütt'er, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Emit with spitting sound; speak, utter, (words, threats, a language, etc.) rapidly or incoherently; speak in hurried or vehement fashion (often at person etc.). 2. n. Such speech. Hence ~*er* n., ~*ingly* adv. [imit., cf. Du. *sputleren*]

spūt'um, n. (pl. -*ta*). Saliva, spittle; expectorated matter esp. as characteristic of disease. [L, neut. p.p. of *spuere* spit]

spy, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Person who goes, esp. in disguise, into enemy's camp or territory to inspect works, watch movements, etc., & report the result; person who keeps (esp. secret) watch on movements of others, as *refuse to be a ~ on his conduct*. 2. v.t. Discern, make out, esp. by careful observation, as *spied a horseman approaching, is quick at ~ing his neighbours' faults, I ~ STRANGERS; ~ out*, explore secretly, discover by this means; (v.i.) play the ~, keep close & secret watch (upon person, movements, etc., into secret etc.); ~ *glass*, small telescope; ~ *hole*, peep-hole. [ME *spie* n., *spien* vb, f. OF *espier* n., *espier* vb *ESPY*]

squab (-ōb), a., adv., & n. 1. Short & fat, squat, whence ~*b'y* (-ō) a. 2. adv. With heavy fall, as *come down ~ on the floor*. 3. n. Short fat person; young esp. unfledged pigeon; stuffed cushion; ottoman; ~*chick*, unfledged bird; ~ *pie*, pigeon-pie, pie of mutton, onions, & apples. [cf. Sw. dial. *squabb* loose flesh, *squabba* fat woman, etc.]

squa'bbl'e (-ō), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Engage in petty or noisy quarrel (with person about thing); (Print.) disarrange (composed type). 2. n. Petty or noisy quarrel. Hence ~*er* n. [prob. imit., cf. Sw. dial. *squabbel* n. dispute]

squācc'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Small crested heron of S. Europe, Africa, & Asia. [f. It. *squaccol*]

squad (-ōd), n. (Mil.) small number of men assembled for drill etc. (~ *drill*, elementary); *awkward ~* (of recruits not yet competent to take place in regimental file); *cho'ce* ~; *kill'ing* ~; *of persons*;

FLYING ~. [f. F *escouade* var. of *equadre* f. It. *squadra* **SQUARE**]

squa'dron (-ōd-), n., & v.t. 1. Principal division of cavalry regiment or mechanized formation, consisting of two troops. 2. Any orderly body of persons. 3. Detachment of warships employed on particular service, as *flying ~* (equipped for rapid cruising). 4. Unit of Royal Air Force (10 to 18 machines); ~*leader* (see *AIR Force*). 5. v.t. Form (men) into ~s. [f. It. *squadrone* (prec., -ōon)]

|| **squall**, n. (Pl.) game with small wooden disks (~s) on round table or board (~ *board*). [?]

|| **squall'er**, n. Stick with leaded knob for striking or throwing at squirrels etc. [f. dial. *squail* strike with ~ + *ER*]

squa'lid (-ōl-), a. Dirty, mean, poor, in appearance. Hence or cogn. ~*ry* (-id), ~*ness*, **squa'lor** n., ~*ly* adv., (-ōl-). [f. L *squalidus* (*squalere* be stiff or dirty, -id)]

squall (-awl), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Cry out, scream, violently as in fear or pain; utter in screaming or discordant voice. Hence ~*er* n. 2. n. Sudden & violent gust or successive gusts of wind, esp. with rain or snow or sleet (*arched ~*, ~ occurring near equator with sudden collection of black clouds in form of arch & usu. violent thunderstorm; *black ~*, with dark cloud; *white ~*, arising in fair weather without formation of clouds), whence ~*ly* (-aw-) a.; *look out for ~s*, (fig.) be on one's guard against danger or trouble; [f. the vb] discordant cry, scream. [imit.]

squā'oid, a. Like a shark. [f. L *squalus*, kind of sea-fish, (mod. L) genus of sharks, + *-oid*]

squām'a, n. (bot., zool.; pl. ~ae). Scale, scalelike feather or part of bone. Hence or cogn. ~*l*, ~*o*-, comb. forms, ~*ous* n., ~*ule* n. [L]

squa'nder (-ōn-), v.t. Spend (money, time, etc.) wastefully; dissipate (fortune etc.) thus. Hence ~*er* n., ~*ingly* adv., ~*man'ia* n. (craze for extravagant expenditure). [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

squāre, n., a., adv., & v.t. & i. 1. Equilateral rectangle; object (approximately) of this shape; quadrilateral area planted with trees etc. or ornamentally laid out & surrounded with buildings esp. dwelling-houses, as *Trafalgar S*~, *Russell S*~, *lives in the next ~*; block of buildings bounded by four streets; L-shaped or (T~) T-shaped instrument for obtaining or testing right angles; *out of ~*, not at right angles; standard, pattern, (usu. fig., & arch. exo. on the ~, fairly, honestly, as can be trusted to act on the ~, by the ~, exactly); product of a number multiplied by itself, as *the ~ of 8 is 64*, of x^2 is x^2 , *9 is a perfect ~* (has rational root); *body of infantry drawn up in rectangular form*, *hollow ~*, *to draw up with spaces in*

middle for baggage etc., or with files facing inwards to receive orders from officers in central space; (also word-) set of words (to be guessed from description &c) arranged in a ~ so as to read alike across & downwards (e.g. *cab ace bed*); **MAGIC** ~; 100 ~ ft as measure of flooring etc. 2. adj. Of ~ shape; ~ foot, inch, etc., (area equal to that of) ~ whose side is a foot, inch, etc.; ~ *measure* (expressed in ~ feet etc.); a *table 4 ft ~ has an area of 16 ~ ft*; rectangular, as *table with ~ corners*; at right angles to; ~ *number*, ~ of an integer, e.g. 1, 4, 9, 16, etc.; ~ *root* of a given number, number of which it is the ~, as the ~ root of 9 is 3, of x^2 is x , of 2 is irrational; ~ *dance*, game (in which four couples, players, face inwards from four sides); having the breadth more nearly equal to the length or height than is usual, as *a man of ~ frame*; angular, not round, as ~ *peg in round WOLFE*, has a ~ *jaw*; properly arranged, in good order, as *must tidy up & get things ~*; thorough, uncompromising, as *was met with a ~ refusal*, made a ~ *meal*; fair, honest, as *his play is not always quite ~*, a ~ *deal*, fair bargain, fair treatment; *be on the ~*, be a freemason; on a proper footing, even, quite, as *am now ~ with all the world*, get ~ *with* (pay, compound with) *our creditors*; (Golf) *they were ~ or all ~* (had won the same number of holes) *at the turn*. 3. ~ *built*, of comparatively broad shape; || ~ *face* (sl.), gin; ~ *head*, Scandinavian in U.S. or Canada (cf. **DAGO**); ~ *leg* (Cricket), fielder at some distance on batsman's leg-side & nearly opposite wicket, his place, as *was put at ~ leg*; ~ *rigged*, with principal sails extended by horizontal yards slung to mast by the middle, opp. to *fore-&-aft rigged*; ~ *sail*, four-cornered sail extended on yard slung to mast by middle esp. on fore-&-aft rigged vessel; ~ *shouldered*, with broad & not sloping shoulders, esp. opp. to *round-shouldered*; ~ *toed*, (having boots) with ~ *toes*, (fig.) formal, prim; ~ *toes*, ~ *toed* person. Hence ~ **LY** (rl-) adv., ~ **NESS** (-rn-) n., **SQUARISH** a. 4. adv. ~ *ly*, as *sat ~ on his seat*, *hit him ~ on the jaw*, do you think he plays ~ (fair)?, **FAIR** & ~. 5. vb. Make ~; make rectangular, give rectangular edges to (timber); multiply (number) by itself, as 3 ~ *ed* is 9, x ~ *ed* is written x^2 ; adjust, make or be suitable to or consistent with, reconcile, as *decline to ~ my conduct to or with his interests*, his practice does not ~ or he does not ~ his practice with his principles; settle, pay, (bill etc.), esp. ~ *accounts with* (fig. have revenge on), (abs. in some senses) ~ *up*; (colloq.) pay, esp. bribe, as *can you ~ the porter*?, has been ~ *ed to hold his tongue*; *negotiate* ~ etc. (of person) thus; ~ *attitude of boxer*, move up to

(person) thus; ~ *the circle*, construct ~ equal in area to given circle, express area of circle exactly in ~ *measure*, (fig.) perform demonstrable impossibility; (Golf) make the score of (a match) equal, make the scores equal; (Naut.) lay (yards) at right angles with keel making them at same time horizontal, get (dead-eyes) horizontal, get (ratlines) horizontal & parallel to one another. [f. OF a. (cf. It. *squadra*), *esquarré* n., vb, f. pop. L ⁺**EX**(*quadra* n., -ure vb, square; cf. **QUADRI**)]

SQUArrōse, -ous, (-ōr-), aa. (bot., zool.). Rough with scalelike processes. [f. alleged LL *squarrosus* prob. mistake for *squamosus* (as **SQUAMA**, see -ose¹, -ōs)]

|| **SQUAIRS**on, n. (joc.). Squire & parson in one. [portmanteau wd]

SQUASH¹ (-ō-), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Crush, squeeze flat or into pulp; pack tight, crowd; (fig.) silence (person) with crushing retort; squeeze one's way (into etc.). 2. n. ~ *ed* thing or mass, whence ~ **NESS** n., ~ **Y**² a.; crowd; (sound of) fall of soft body; (also ~ *rackets*) game played with rackets & soft ball in five-court; **LEMON**¹ ~; ~ *hat* (of soft felt etc.). [f. OF *esquasser* f. pop. L ⁺**EX**(*quassare* see **QUASH**)]

SQUASH² (-ō-), n. Kinds of gourd. [f. Amer.-Ind. *askutasquash*]

SQUAT (-ōt), v.i. & t. (-ōt-), a., & n. 1. Sit on ground etc. with knees drawn up & heels close to or touching hams, crouch with hams resting on backs of heels; put (oneself, person) into this position; (of animals) crouch close to ground; (colloq.) sit (down, on, etc.). 2. adj. In ~ *ting* posture; (of person etc.) short & thick, dumpy. 3. n. ~ *ting* posture; ~ *person*. [adj. & n. f. vb] f. OF *esquatir* flatten (as -**EX** - *quatir* f. L *coactus*, see **COGENT**)]

SQUATter (-ōt-), n. In vbl senses; also: (Austral.) person who gets right of pasturage from government on easy terms, also, any stock-owner; person who settles on new esp. public land without title; person who takes unauthorized possession of unoccupied premises. [f. prec. + -**ER**¹]

SQUAW, n. Amer.-Indian woman or wife; ~ *man*, white married to ~. [f. native *squa*]

SQUAWK, v.i., & n. 1. (Chiefly of birds) utter harsh cry of pain or fear. 2. n. Such cry. [imit.]

SQUEAK, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Utter short shrill cry as of mouse or unoiled hinge; utter (words) shrilly; (sl.) turn informer, peach. 2. n. Short shrill sound, whence ~ **ILX**² adv., ~ **Y**² a.; (warrow) ~, narrow escape, success barely attained; **BUBBLE**¹ and ~. [imit., cf. Sw. *squäka* croak]

SQUEAKer, n. In vbl senses; also, young bird esp. pigeon. [-**ER**¹]

SQUEAL, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Utter shrill cry as of child from pain, fear, anger, joy, etc.; utter (words) thus; (sl.) protest excitedly

e.g. against taxation; (sl.) turn informer; *make one ~ (sl.)*, blackmail him. 2. n. Shrill cry of child, pig, etc. [imit.]

squeal'er, n. In vbl senses; also, young bird esp. pigeon. [-ER¹]

squeam'ish, a. Easily nauseated; fastidious, overnice, overscrupulous in questions of propriety, honesty, etc. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [earlier *squeamous* f. AF *scoymous* etym. dub., altered to -ISH¹]

squee'gee (or -ô'), **squill'gee**, nm., & vv.t. 1. Rubber-edged implement for sweeping wet deck or road; small similar instrument or roller used in photography. 2. vt. Treat with ~. [*squee* f. *squill*-etym. dub. (also *squillage*), altered on SQUEEZE]

squeeze, vt. & i., & n. 1. Exert pressure upon (sponge, lemon, etc.) esp. in order to extract moisture, compress with hand or between two bodies, as ~ person's hand (as sign of sympathy, affection, etc.), ~d orange (fig.), person, thing, from whom or which no more is to be had, was ~d to death in the crowd; thrust (oneself, person, thing, into vehicle, room, etc., out of, etc.) forcibly; make one's way by squeezing (into etc.); harass by exactions, extort money etc. from; constrain, bring pressure to bear on, as could ~ the government to any extent; get (money etc. out of person etc.) by extortion, entreaty, etc.; produce with effort (a tear etc.); take impression of (coin etc.) esp. with sheets of damp paper or prepared wax. 2. n. Application of pressure, as gave him a ~ (of the hand); crowd, crush, as we all got in, but it was a (tight) ~; impression of coin etc., esp. as above; forced exaction by Asiatic official, illicit commission, percentage on goods purchased extorted by native servant. 3. ~ play, (Bridge) leading winning cards until opponent is forced to discard important card, (Baseball) hitting ball short to infield to enable runner on third base to get home as soon as ball is pitched. Hence **squeezasail'rry** n., **squeez'ABLE** a. [cf. obs. *quease*, *squize*, *sqwins*, & OE *scwisan*]

squeez'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: machine for expressing air-bubbles etc. from puddled iron; (pl.) playing-cards with value shown at top right-hand corner so that they need not be opened out. [-ER¹]

squëlch, vt. & i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Stamp on, crush flat, put an end to; disconcert, silence; make sucking sound as of hoof drawn out of thick mud. 2. n. Act or sound of ~ing. [imit.]

squib, n., & vt. & i. (-bb-). 1. Firework thrown by hand & exploding like rocket or burning with hissing sound; tube of gunpowder used to fire a charge; short satirical composition, lampoon. 2. vb. Write, attack with, lampoons. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

squid, n., & vt. (-dd-). 1. Kind of cuttlefish used as bait; kinds of artificial bait. 2. vt. Fish with ~. [?]

|| **squiff'er**, n. (sl.). Concertina. [?]

squiff'y, a. (sl.). Slightly drunk. [?]

squill'gee. See SQUEEGEE.

squill, n. Plant of lily family; its bulb, used as diuretic, purgative, etc.; (also ~fish) a crustacean. [f. L *squilla* f. Gk *skilla*]

squinch, n. Straight or arched structure across interior angle of square tower as support for side of octagon. [var. of obs. *scunch* abbr. of SCUNCHEON]

squint, vi. & t., n., & a. 1. Have the eyes turned in different directions, have strabismus; look obliquely (at etc.); close (eyes) quickly, hold (eyes) half-shut. Hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Affection of eyes in which their axes are differently directed, as has a fearful ~; stealthy or sidelong glance; (colloq.) glance, look, as let's have a ~ at it; leaning, inclination, (to, towards, policy etc.); oblique opening through wall of church esp. affording view of altar from transept. 3. adj. ~ing, looking different ways; ~eyed, (fig.) malignant. [f. obs. adv. *squint* obliquely, abbr. ASQUINT]

squire, n., & vt. 1. Country gentleman, esp. the chief landed proprietor in a district; woman's escort or gallant; ~ of dames, man who is attentive to or frequents company of women; attendant on knight (hist.). 2. vt. (Of man) attend upon, escort, (woman). Hence ~MOON, ~LET, ~LING¹, ~SHIP, nm., ~LY¹ a. [as ESQUIRE]

squir(e)'archy (-kl), n. Government by, influence of, landed proprietors esp. before Reform Bill of 1832; the class of landed proprietors, so ~ARCH (-k) n. Hence ~ARCHAL, ~ARCHICAL, aa., (-k-). [f. prec. + Gk *-arkhia* rule f. *arkhō*]

|| **squifreen'**, n. Small landed proprietor esp. in Ireland. [f. SQUIRE + -een dim. suf.]

squirm, vi., & n. 1. Wriggle, writhe; (fig.) show, feel, embarrassment or discomfort. 2. n. Wriggling movement; (Naut.) twist in rope. [imit.]

squir'rel, n. Kinds of rodent quadruped of active arboreal habits with bushy tail & pointed ears; *barking* ~, *prairie-dog*; ~fish, kinds of fish covered with sharp spines; ~hawk, large hawk preying on ~s; ~monkey, marmoset & other small monkeys; ~tail, kinds of grass allied to barley. [f. OF *escureuil* f. med. L *sciurus* irreg. dim. of L f. Gk *skiauros* (pop. explained as f. *skia* shadow + *oura* tail)]

squirt, vt. & i., & n. 1. Eject (liquid, powder) in a jet as from syringe; (of liquid etc.) be discharged thus. 2. n. Syringe; jet of water etc.; (also ~gun) kind of toy syringe; (colloq.) insignificant self-assertive fellow. [in A. S. vb. of LG *swirten*]

squish, n. (collog.). Marmalade. [imit.]
squit, n. (sl.). Small insignificant person.
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St. For St. Andrew etc. see SAINT.

stáb, v.t. & i. (-bb-), & n. 1. Pierce, wound, with (usu. short) pointed weapon e.g. knife or dagger; aim blow with such weapon (*at*); (fig.) inflict sharp pain on (person, his feelings, conscience, etc.), aim blow *at* (reputation, person, etc.); ~ (vb & n.) *in the back*, slander; roughen (brick wall) with pick before plastering. 2. n. Blow, thrust, with knife etc., wound thus made, blow or pain inflicted on person's feelings. Hence ~b'ér' n. [n. f. 15th, vb f. 16th, c.; etym. dub.]

Stáb'at Má'er (or stah-, mah-), n. (Musical setting for) Latin hymn on agony of the Virgin Mary at the crucifixion. [L. = the mother was standing, first wds of the hymn]

stá'ble¹, a. Firmly fixed or established, not easily to be moved or changed or destroyed, *as doubt whether the structure is ~*; firm, resolute, not wavering nor fickle, *as the only ~ politician of his day*; ~ EQUILIBRIUM. Hence or cogn. **stá'bil'ity**, **stábilis'a'tion** (also, esp.) maintenance of the purchasing power of a country's currency by fixing its value in terms of gold, ~NESS, nn., **stáb'ility**(s) v.t., **stáb'ilizer**¹ n. (esp. = aircraft's fixed horizontal tailplane), **stá'bly**¹ adv. [f. OF *estable* f. L *stabilis* (*stare* stand, see -BLE)]

stá'ble², n., & v.t. & i. 1. Building set apart & adapted for lodging & feeding horses or (less usu.) cattle; racehorses of particular ~; (pl., Mil.) duty or work in the ~s, (also) = ~call; AUGMAN ~s; ~boy, ~man (-mn), (employed in ~); ~call, cavalry signal for grooming & watering horses; ~companion, horse of same ~, (collog.) member of same school, club, etc. 2. v.t. Put, keep, horse in ~, *as where can we ~ our horses?* (v.i., of horse etc., fig. of person) be ~d, *as must ~ where they can*. [f. OF *estable* f. L *stabulum* (*stare* stand)]

stáb'ling, n. In vbl senses of prec., esp. accommodation for horses etc. [-ING¹]

|| **stáb'lish**, v.t. (arch.). Fix firmly, establish, set up. [as ESTABLISH]

staccat'ed (-ah-), a. & adv. (To be played) in abrupt sharply detached manner, cf. LEGATO; ~ mark, dot above or below ~ note. [It.]

stäck, n., & v.t. 1. Circular or rectangular pile of grain in sheaf or of hay, straw, etc., usu. with sloping thatched top; ~funnel, pyramidal frame ventilating centre of ~; ~stand (on which ~ is built for dryness & exclusion of vermin); (as measure of wood) pile of 108 cub. ft; pile, heap, of anything; (collog.) large quantity, *as have ~s, a whole ~, of work to get through*; fleshy pyramidal group of

rifles, pile; number of chimneys standing together; (also *smoke*-~) chimney, funnel, of locomotive or steamer; || high detached rock esp. off coast of Scotland & Orkneys. 2. v.t. Pile in ~; ~ (= PILE²) arms. [(vb f. n.) f. ON *stakkr* haystack, cf. Sw. *stäck* stack]

stác'tē, n. A sweet spice used by ancient Jews in making incense. [f. L f. Gk *staktē* oil trickling from myrrh etc. (*stazō* drip)]

stáctóm'eter, n. Tube for measuring a liquid in drops. [f. Gk *staktos* vbl adj. f. *stazō* drip + -METER]

stád'ium, n. (pl. -ia). 1. (Gk Ant.) measure of length, about 202 yds; course for foot-race. 2. Modern athletic or sports ground. 3. (med.). Stage, period, of disease. [L, f. Gk *stadion* (*sta*-stand)]

stad(t)'holder (stahd-, stah-, stá-), n. (hist.). Viceroy or governor of province or town in Netherlands; chief magistrate of United Provinces. Hence ~SHIP n. [altered f. Du. *stadhouder* deputy (*stad* STRAD + *houder* HOLDER)]

staff¹ (-ahf), n. (pl. now ~s exc. Mus. staves), & v.t. 1. Stick, pole, for use in walking or climbing or as weapon (now chiefly fig.), *as bread is the ~ (support) of life, you are the ~ of his old age*, QUARTER ~. 2. This as sign of office or authority, *as pastoral ~ (borne by or before bishop etc.)*. 3. Shaft, pole, as support or handle, *as FLAG ~*. 4. Stick used in surveying etc., esp. JACOB'S ~. 5. Kinds of instrument for taking altitude at sea, *as back, cross, fore, ~*. 6. Surgeon's steel instrument for guiding knife into bladder. 7. Token delivered to engine-driver on single-line railways as authority to proceed over a given section of line (~ system, this method of working). 8. (mil.). Body of officers assisting officer in high command & concerned with army or regiment as a whole, *as regimental ~*; *general ~* (at main headquarters of army, acting as personal ~ of commander-in-chief); ~ officer, ~sergeant, (serving on ~); ~ college (in which officers are prepared for ~ as opp. to regimental duties). 9. Body of persons carrying on work under manager etc., *as editorial ~ of newspaper, diplomatic ~*, whence (-)~ED² (-ahf) a. 10. (mus.). Set of five parallel lines on any one or between any two of which a note is placed to indicate its pitch; ~ notation (by means of ~, esp. opp. to ROMAN *sol-fa*). 11. v.t. Provide (institution etc.) with ~. [OE *staf*, cf. Du. *staf*, G. *stab*, ON *stafr*]

staff² (-ahf), n. Mixture of plaster-of-Paris, cement, etc., as building-material. [1]

stág, n. 1. Male of red deer or of other large kinds of deer; bull castrated when (nearly) full-grown. 2. (St. Ezech.) person

cerns with a view to selling at once at a profit; || (sl.) irregular dealer in stocks.
 3. ~beetle (with branched mandibles like ~s antlers); ~evil, lockjaw in horses; ~horn, kinds of club-moss & coral; ~hound, large kinds of hound hunting deer by sight or scent; ~party (of men only). [cf. ON *steggr*, -gi, he-bird]

stage¹, n. 1. Raised floor or platform, e.g. scaffold for workmen's use in building, *hanging* ~ (suspended on ropes for painters' use), *landing* ~ (at quay etc. for landing from vessel); surface on which object is placed for inspection through microscope. 2. Platform on which plays etc. are exhibited. 3. (fig.). The drama, dramatic art or literature, actor's profession, as *went on the* ~, became actor, *the French* ~. 4. (fig.). Scene of action, as *quitted the* ~ of politics, *the* ~ of his operations, a larger ~ opened to him. 5. Point or period in development etc., as *reached a critical* ~, *at this* ~ an interruption occurred, *passed through a long* ~ of inactivity, *is in the heyden* ~, larval ~. 6. Regular stopping-place in route, distance between two of these, as *travelled by easy* ~s, *got down at the next* ~. 7. ~coach, coach running regularly by ~s between two places, ~coachman, driver of this; ~craft, skill or experience in writing or staging plays; ~direction, written or printed instruction in play as to movement, position, tone, etc., of actor; ~door, actors' & workmen's entrance at back of ~; ~effect, effect produced in acting or on the ~, artificial or theatrical effect produced in real life; ~fever, inordinate desire to go on the ~; ~fright, nervousness on facing audience esp. for first time; ~manager, person superintending production of play, managing rehearsals, etc.; ~right, exclusive right to perform particular play; ~struck, struck with ~fever; ~whisper, aside, whisper meant to be heard by others than the person addressed. [f. OF *estage* f. L *stalicum* (stare stand)]

stage², v.t. & i. Put (play) on stage; arrange to take place dramatically (~ a COME¹-back, recovery); (of play) lend itself to representation, as *does not* ~ well. [f. prec.]

stā'ger, n. Old~, experienced person, old hand. [STAG² + -ER¹]

stāgg'ard, -t, n. Stag four years old. [-ARD]

stāgg'er (-g-), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Walk or stand unsteadily, totter; hesitate, waver in purpose; cause to totter, as *received a* ~ing blow; cause to hesitate or waver, as *the question* ~ed him, *his resolution*; arrange in zigzag order, esp. set (spokes of wheel) leaning alternately to right & left; arrange (holidays, hours of work, etc.) so that they differ from those of others. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. Tottering

movement; (Mech.) overhanging or slantwise or zigzag arrangement of like parts in a structure etc.; (pl., also blind ~s) kinds of disease of brain & spinal cord esp. in horses & cattle; (pl.) giddiness. [(n. f. vb) earlier *stacker* f. ON *stakra* frequent. of *staka* push]

stāgg'er (-g-), n. In vbl senses, esp. disconcerting argument, objection, event, etc. [-ER¹]

stā'ging, n. Putting play on stage; driving or running stage-coaches; scaffolding. [-ING¹]

Stā'girite, n. *The* ~, Aristotle. [f. L f. Gk *Stageirites* native of *Stageira* (-irr²)]

stāg'nāte, v.i. (Of liquid) be(come) motionless, have no current, cease to flow; (of life, action, mind, business, person) be(come) dull or sluggish. Hence or cogn. ~ANCY, ~A'TION, nn., ~ANT a., ~ANTLY² adv. [f. L *stagnare* (stagnum pool), -ATZ¹]

stāgnic'olous, a. Living in swamps or stagnant water. [f. L *stagnum* pool + *colere* inhabit + -OUS]

stā'gily, a. Theatrical in manner, style, appearance, etc. Hence ~INESS n. [f. STAGE¹ + -Y¹]

staid, a. Of steady & sober character; sedate. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [= *stayed* p.p. of STAY]

stain, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Discolour, make foul, soil, as *cigarettes* ~ the fingers, *wine will* ~ the cloth, *warranted not to* ~ clothes; (fig.) sully, blemish, (reputation, name, person; p.p. often in comb., as *guilt*, *sin*, ~ed); colour (wood, glass, etc.) by process other than painting or covering the surface; impregnate (substance) for microscopic examination with colouring matter that acts more powerfully on some parts than on others; print colours on (wall-paper). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Discoloration, spot or mark caused esp. by contact with foreign matter, as *cloth is covered with tea* ~s; ~ing-material; (fig.) blot, blemish, as *without a* ~ on his character. Hence ~LESS a. (usu. of reputation, also of kind of chromium-steel alloy immune to rusting & corrosion), ~LESSLY² adv. [(n. f. vb) also obs. *distain* f. OF *desteindre* f. DIS- + L *tingere* dye]

stair, n. Each of a set of (now usu. indoor) steps, as *the top* ~ but one; (now usu. pl.) set of these, as *passed him on the* ~s, *down a winding* ~; *flight*, pair, of ~s, set of ~s in continuous straight line or from one landing to another; *below* ~s, in the basement of house esp. as part belonging to servants, as *was coolly discussed below* ~s (by the servants); *down*, *up*, ~s, on, to, the lower, upper, floor(s) of house; BACK ~; ~case, (part of building containing) flight of ~s, *corridor* ~case (winding round central pillar); ~rod (for securing ~carpet in

angle between two steps); *~way*, way up a flight of *~s*, *~case*. [OE *stæger*, cf. Du. *steiger*, cogn. w. OE *stigan*, OHG *stigan*, ON *stiga*, & Gk *steikhō*, go up, go]

|| **staith**, **staithie** (-dh), n. Waterside coal depot equipped for loading vessels. [ON *stōth* berth, OE *stæth* bank]

stake, n., & v.t. 1. Stick sharpened at one end & driven into ground as support, boundary mark, etc.; post to which person is bound to be burnt alive, (fig.) death by burning, as *was condemned to, suffered at, the ~*. 2. Tinsmith's small anvil fixed on bench by pointed prop. 3. Money etc. wagered on an event, esp. deposited with third party (*~holder*) by each of those who make a wager, (pl.) money to be contended for esp. in horse-race, (pl.) such race, as *maiden, trial, ~s*; *have a ~ in the country*, he materially concerned in its welfare, e.g. as landowner; (fig.) principle etc. contended for, as *consider the immensity of the ~*; *at ~*, at issue, in question, risked, as *life itself is at ~*. 4. *~boat* (anchored to mark course for boat-race etc.); *~net*, fishing-net hung on *~s*. 5. v.t. Fasten, secure, support, with *~* or *~s*; mark off, out (area) with *~s*, as *~ out a claim*. 6. Wager, risk, (money etc. on event etc.). [(vb f. n.) OE *staca*, cf. MDu. *stake*; cogn. w. STICK]

stál'actite (or *staláct*), n. Deposit of carbonate of lime, usu. in form like large icicle, hanging from roof of cave etc. & formed by trickling of water. Hence *staláct'ite*, *staláct'iform*, *staláct'ic*, aa. [f. mod. L. *stalactites* (Gk *stalaktos* vbl adj. f. *stalassō* drip, see -ITE)]

Stál'dg, n. German prison camp, esp. for non-commissioned officers and men. [G]

stál'agmite (or *staláct*), n. Deposit as STALACTITE on floor of cave etc. often uniting with stalactite. Hence *stálagmit'ic* a., *stálagmit'ically* adv. [f. mod. L. *stalagmites* (Gk *stalagmos* dripping, as STALACTITE)]

stále, a., n., & v.t. & i. 1. Not fresh, insipid, musty, or otherwise the worse for age; *~ bread* (musty); also, not of the day's baking, as *~ bread is best for toast*; (fig.) lacking novelty, trite, as *~ joke, news, devices*; (of athlete) overtrained; *~mate* (Obese), draw resulting from player's having no move available, his king not being in check, (v.t.) reduce (player) to this position, (fig.) bring to a standstill. Hence *~LY* (-l-ly) adv., *~NESS* (-ln-) n. 2. n. Urine of horses & cattle. 3. vb. Make *~* or common; (of horse etc.) make water. [n. f. vb, prob. f. OF *estaler* make water, of It. *stallare*, Du. & MHG *stallen*, Sw. *ställa*, Da. *stalle*; adj. perh. also f. vb (cf. Flem. *stale* adj., used of beer & urine), or f. Tent. *stale* stand; *stale(mate)* perh. f. OF *estaler* f. OE as STALE² vb]

stále, n. (arch.). Decoy bird; dupe,

laughing-stock. [prob. f. AF *estale* of Teut. orig. of OE *stal(hra)* reindeer] decoy reindeer f. *stellan* to place]

stalk¹ (-awk), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Stride, walk in stately or imposing manner (often *along etc.*); steal up to game under cover; pursue (game) stealthily; *~ing-horse*, horse behind which hunter himself, (fig.) pretext. 2. n. *~ing* of game, imposing gait. Hence (-) *~ER*¹ n. [OE *stealcian* walk warily, cogn. w. STEAL]

stalk² (-awk), n. (Bot.) stem, main axis, of plant, (loosely) any support of an organ; *~like* support of organ etc. in animals; stem of wine-glass etc.; (Archit.) ornament like *~* of plant; tall chimney of factory etc.; *~eyed*, (of crab etc.) having the eyes mounted on *~s*. Hence (-) *~RD*³ (-awkt), *~LESS*, aa., *~LET* n. [ME *stake* perh. dim. f. OE *stalu* side or rung of ladder]

stall¹ (-awl), n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Single compartment for one animal in) stable, cow-house; *FINGER-~*; booth in market etc., compartment in a building, for sale of goods, table in this on which goods are exposed, as *picked it up in or on a book-~*; fixed seat in choir or chancel of church more or less enclosed at back & sides & often canopied, esp. one appropriated to clergyman, as *canon's, dean's, ~*, (fig.) office, dignity, of canon etc., as *how long has he had his ~?*; || each of a set of seats in theatre usu. between pit & stage; working-compartment in coal-mine; *~feed*, fatten (cattle) in *~*, so *~fed* a. 2. vb. Place, keep, (cattle etc.) in *~* esp. for fattening, as *a ~ed ox*; furnish (stable etc.) with *~s*; (of horse or cart) stick fast as in mud or snow, (of motor-engine) stop working, (of aeroplane or airman) become unstable by loss of pace. [(vb f. n.) OE *stall*(l), cf. Du. *stal*, G. *stall*, ON *stallr*; cogn. w. STABLE²]

stall² (-awl), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Pickpocket's confederate who diverts attention during theft & assists thief's escape etc. 2. vb. *Fence conversationally; *block, delay, obstruct, (*~ off*, get rid of by evasive tactics or tricks). [var. of STALE²]

|| **sta'llage** (-awl-), n. Space for, rent for, right to erect, stall(s) in market etc. [AF *estalage* (estal STALL¹, -AGE)]

stáll'ion (-yon), n. Uncastrated male horse, esp. one kept for breeding. [f. OF *estalon* (OHG *stal* STALL¹, see -oon), so called because kept in stall]

sta'lwart (-awl-), a. & n. 1. Strongly built, sturdy; courageous, resolute, determined, as *~ supporters*. 2. n. (polit.). Strong party man. Hence *~LY*³ adv., *~NESS* n. [earlier *stalworth*, OE *stál-wyrthe*, prob. for *statholwyrthe* (stathol foundation + wyrthe WORTH)]

stám'en, n. Male organ of flowering plants, organ containing pollen. Hence

(-)-ED¹ (-nd), stamin¹éal, stamin¹éous, stamin¹iréous, aa. [L. gen. *minis*, = warp in upright loom, thread]

stám¹ina, n. Staying-power, power of endurance. [L. pl. of prec. now usu. as sing.]

stám¹inal, a. Of stamens or stamina. [-AL]

stám¹inate, a. Having stamens but no pistils; having stamens. [-AT¹(2)]

stám¹mer, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak (habitually, or on occasion from embarrassment etc.) with halting articulation esp. with rapid repetitions of same syllable, whence ~ER¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv.; utter (words) thus, as ~ed out an excuse. 2. n. ~ing speech, tendency to ~. [OE *stamerian*, cf. Du. *stameren*, G *stammeln*]

stámp, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Impress pattern, name, mark, upon (metal, butter, paper, etc.) with die or similar instrument of metal, wood, rubber, etc.; affix postage or other ~ to (envelope, document); crush, pulverize, (ores etc.); bring down one's foot, bring down (foot), heavily on ground; ~ out, put an end to, crush, destroy, (rebellion etc.); assign a character to, characterize, as *this alone ~s the story* (as) a slander; impress on the memory. Hence (-)~ER¹ (1, 2) n. 2. n. Instrument for ~ing pattern or mark; mark made by this; impression of official mark required to be made for revenue purposes on deeds, bills of exchange, etc., as evidence of payment of tax; piece of paper impressed with official mark as evidence of payment of tax or fee & meant to be affixed to letter, postcard, receipted account, etc.; mark impressed on, label etc. affixed to, commodity as evidence of quality etc., (fig.) characteristic mark, impress, as *beats the ~ of genius*; character, kind, as *avoid men of that or his ~*; block that crushes ore in ~mill; heavy downward blow with foot. 3. ~ act, act concerned with ~duty, esp. that imposing duty on American colonies in 1765 & repealed in 1766; ~collector (of postage ~s as curiosities); ~duty (imposed on certain kinds of legal instrument); ~machine (for beating rags etc. into pulp for paper); ~mill (for crushing ore etc.); ~office (for issue of government ~s & receipt of ~duty etc.). [ME *stampen*, cf. Du. *stampen*, G *stampfen*; or f. OF *estamper* f. Teut.]

stámpède, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Sudden fright & scattering of a number of horses or cattle; sudden flight or hurried movement of people due to panic; *(Polit.) unconcerted movement of many persons by common impulse. 2. vb. (Cause to) take part in ~. [f. Sp. *estampida* crash] **stánce**, n. (golf, cricket). Position taken for stroke. [OF, f. It. *stanzza*]

stanch¹, **staunch¹**, (-ah-, -aw-), v.t. Check the flow of (esp. blood); check the flow from (esp. wound). [f. OF *estanchier*, cf. It. *stancare* to weary, perh. f. L. as *stagnare*]

stanch² etc. See **STAUNCH²** etc.

stá'nchion (-ahshn), n., & v.t. 1. Post, pillar, upright support, vertical strut; upright bar, pair of bars, for confining cattle in stall. 2. v.t. Supply with ~, fasten (cattle) to ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *estanchion* dim. of OF *estance* prop f. pop. L. as *STANZA*]

stánd¹, v.i. & t. (*stôd*). 1. Have or take or maintain upright position, be set upright, as *tell him to ~ up*, ~ at EASE¹, || ~ EASY, ~ in person's LIGHT¹, in the BREACH¹, *stood there till I was tired*, *was too weak to ~*, *chair will not ~ on two legs*, *hair ~s on end* (with terror). 2. Be of specified height, as ~s six foot three. 3. Be situated, be, as *on each side ~ two pillars*, *a stranger stood in the doorway*, *the cups ~ on the top shelf*, *here once stood a huge oak*. 4. Assume stationary position, as ~ still, *was commanded to ~*; ~ (& deliver), highwayman's order. 5. Maintain position, avoid falling or moving or being moved, as *don't ~ there arguing*, *house will ~ another century*, *whether we ~ or fall*, *has stood through worse storms*, ~ on one's own BOTTOM¹, ~ fast, ~ firm; all ~ing (Naut. & transf.), without time to lower sails or prepare, taken by surprise. 6. It ~s to reason, it is logically demonstrable (*that*), (pop.) I shall lose my temper if you deny (*that*). 7. Hold good, remain valid or unaltered, as *the former conditions may ~*, *the passage must ~*, *the same remark ~s good*. 8. Be, find oneself, in specified situation, rank, etc., as ~s convicted of breachery, in need of help, in an awkward position, under heavy obligations; I ~ corrected (accept correction); thermometer stood at 90°; corn ~s higher (is dearer) than ever; the matter ~s thus; he ~s first on the list, alone among his contemporaries, in the same relation to both parties, ~s well (is on good terms or in good odour) with the authorities; how do we ~ in the matter of (have we enough or suitable) horses?; I ~ prepared to dispute it, ~ in awe of, have often stood his friend, ~ at BAY⁴. 9. Move to & remain in specified position, as ~ back, clear, aside, aloof, away; (Naut.) held specified course, as ~ in for the shore; (of dog) point, set. 10. Place, set, in upright or specified position, as ~ the jug on the table, ~ it against the wall, shall ~ you in the corner (as punishment). 11. Endure without succumbing or complaining, as *nerves could not ~ the strain*, *how does he ~ pain?*, *could never ~ the fellow*, shall ~ no nonsense, can't ~ these French matches; ~ fire (receive fire of enemy without giving way); failed to ~ the test; ~ one's ground, maintain one's position (lit., & fig. of argument etc.). 12. Undergo (trial), be faced with (CHANGE¹). 13. Provide at one's expense, as *stood him a drink*, *stood a bottle to the company*, *who is going to ~*

treat? 14. ~ *by* (prep.), uphold, support, side with, (person), adhere to, abide by, (terms, promise), (Naut.) take or ~ ready to take hold of (anchor etc.); ~ *by* (adv.), ~ near, be a bystander, & look on, as *will not ~ by & see him ill-treated*, (orig. Naut.) ~ ready, be on the alert; ~ *by*, thing, person, that one can depend upon. 15. ~ *down*, retire from witness-box or similar position, (Mil.) go off duty after ~ing to. 16. ~ *for*, represent, signify, imply, as *P.O.s for postal order, tariff reform ~s for a great deal more than that*, || be candidate for (office), be candidate for representation of (constituency) in Parliament, espouse the cause of (free trade etc.), (colloq.) endure, tolerate, acquiesce in. 17. ~ (person) in (sum), cost, as *coat stood me in £20, wife ~s him in £50 yearly for motor tires*; ~ (person) in good *STEAD*; ~ in *with*, be in league with. 18. ~ *off*, move away, keep one's distance, (v.t.) dispense with the services of (employee) temporarily; ~ *off* (half), (Rugby football) half-back who forms a link between the scrum-half and the three-quarters; ~ *off & on* (Naut.), sail alternately away from & towards shore so as to keep a point in sight. 19. ~ *on* (prep.), insist on, observe scrupulously, esp. ~ *on ceremony*; ~ *on* (adv., Naut.), continue on same course. 20. ~ *out*, hold out, persist in opposition (*against*) or endurance, be prominent or conspicuous. 21. ~ *over*, be postponed. 22. ~ *to* (prep.), abide by (promise etc.), stick to, not desert, (one's post, guns, esp. fig., duty, etc.), ~ *to it*, maintain stoutly (*that*), ~ *to sea* (Naut.), sail out to sea; ~ *to* (adv., arch.) fall to, set to work, (Mil.) take post in preparation for an attack (esp. before dawn & after dark); ~ *to win, lose*, have one's bets or other dispositions so made that one is sure to win or lose something or a specified amount (*whoever loses, I ~ to win; how much do you ~ to lose?*; *if Ladis is scratched I ~ to win £5000*). 23. ~ *up*, rise to one's feet from sitting or other position, maintain erect position; ~ *up for*, side with, maintain, support, (person, cause); ~ *upon*, = ~ *on*; ~ *up to*, meet, face, (opponent) courageously, (of things) remain unimpaired despite the effects of (hard wear etc.); ~ *up with*, take one's place with (partner) for dance, dance with. 24. ~ *off'ish* a., distant, reserved, not affable, whence ~ *offishly* adv., ~ *offishness* n.; ~ *up a.*, (of collar) upright, high, opp. to *turn-down*, (of fight) thorough, fair & square. [OE *stāndan*, *stōn*, cf. Goth. *stāndan*, ON *stānda*; cogn. w. L *stare*, Gk *histēmi* (st. sit.)]

stand¹, n. 1. Cessation from motion or progress, stoppage, as *came, was brought, to a ~*; *to a ~* (arch.), be unable to proceed, be in perplexity. 2. Stationary

~ for purpose of rest

tance, esp. *make a ~ (against enemy, for, against, principle etc.)*. 3. Position taken up, as *took his ~ near the door, I take my ~ (base argument etc., rely) on the precise wording of the act*. 4. Table, set of shelves, rack, etc., on or in which things may be placed, as *music, hat, umbrella, ~*; *ink ~*; *(wash-hand-) ~*. 5. Stall in market etc., as *fruit- ~*. 6. Standing-place for vehicles etc., as *CAB ~*. 7. Raised structure for persons to sit or stand on, as *BAND ~*, *GRAND ~*; ~ *witness-box*, as *take*. 8. Standing growth (of clover etc.). 9. (Theatr.) each halt made on a tour to give performances (*a one-night ~*). 10. (Austral.) a forest, or its timber, regarded commercially. 11. ~ *of*, complete set for one man; ~ *of colours*, regiment's flags. 12. ~ *camera* (for use on a tripod); ~ *pipe*, vertical pipe for various purposes; ~ *point*, point of view; ~ *rest*, high stool with sloping top for supporting person standing at easel etc.; ~ *still*, stoppage, inability to proceed, as *am brought to a ~ still*. [f. prec.]

stān'dard, n. 1. Distinctive flag, esp. flag of cavalry regiment (opp. to *colours* of infantry), as *the (English) royal ~* (square banner with national arms); (fig.) rallying principle (*raise the ~ of revolt, free trade*). 2. Weight or measure to which others conform or by which the accuracy of others is judged (often attrib., as ~ *pound, yard*, etc.); thing serving as basis of comparison. 3. Degree of excellence etc. required for particular purpose (*does not come up to the ~*; *must set a low ~*; ~ *of living*, minimum of material comfort with which a person or class or community may reasonably be content); thing recognized as model for imitation etc., esp. attrib., as *the ~ work on the subject*, ~ *novels* (those of admitted merit); grade of classification in primary schools. 4. Average quality, as *work was of a low ~*. 5. Monetary ~, proportion of weight of fine metal & alloy in gold or silver coin (*gold, silver, ~*) or in both (*double ~*); *multiple, tabular, ~*, ~ of value obtained by averaging prices of a number of products. 6. Measure of timber. 7. Upright support (often attrib., as ~ *lamp*, set on tall usu. telescopic pillar); upright water or gas pipe; tree, shrub, that stands alone without support; shrub grafted on upright stem & trained in tree form. 8. ~ *bearer*, soldier who bears ~, (fig.) prominent leader in a cause; || ~ *bread* (wheaten, of mixed flour). [ME, f. OF *estandard* & *estendard* (f. L as *EXTEND* + *ARD*); partly also f. *STAND*¹]

stān'dardiz, v.t. Make to conform to standard; (Chem.) obtain by analysis specific value of (solution etc.) for purposes of comparison. Hence ~ *ATION* n. [—AM]

¹, n. In vbl senses; ~ *ings*

- estimation in which one is held, repute, position, as *men of high ~*, *is of no ~*; duration, as *a dispute of long ~*; *~room*, space to stand in. [-ING¹]
- stān'ding**¹, a. In vbl senses, esp.: established, as *a ~ rule*, *has become a ~ (stock) fest*; permanent, not made, raised, etc., for the occasion, as *~ army*, *~ orders* (esp. those respecting manner in which business shall be conducted in Parliament); *~ rigging* (fixed stays); *~ corn* (not cut); *~ jump* (performed without preliminary run); *~ (stagnant) water*. [-ING²]
- stān'dish**, n. (arch.). Inkstand. [STAND¹ + DISH]
- *stān'dpāter**, n. Politician who is for strict adherence to party platform, esp. on tariffs. [f. *stand* PAT¹]
- stān'hope** (-nop), n. Light open carriage of 2 or 4 wheels; (also *S~ press*) iron printing press invented by Lord S~; *S~ lens* (with convex surfaces of different curves). [name of inventors]
- stān'iel** (-yel), n. Keatrel. [OE *stāngella* (*stān* stone + *gellan* YELL)]
- stank**. See STINK v.
- || stānn'arē**, n. & a. Tin-mine; tin-mining district; *~ court* (for regulation of tin-mines in Cornwall & Devon). [f. med. L *stannaria* n. (LL *stannum*, *stag*, tin, see -ARY¹)]
- stānn'ic**, a. (chem.). Of tin esp. in its higher valence, as *~ic acid*. So *~ATE*(3) n., *~IFEROUS*, *~OUS*, aa. [f. LL *stannum* tin + IC]
- stān'sa**, n. Group of (usu. four or more) rhymed lines, as *Spenserian* ~; group of four lines in some Greek & Latin metres, esp. *Alcaic*, *Sapphic*. ~. Hence (-)~^d, *~ad*, *stānzā'io*, aa. [It. = chamber, stanza, f. pop. L **stantia* abode (*stare* stand, see -ANCE)]
- stā'ple**¹, n., & v.t. 1. Hoop-shaped bar or piece of wire with pointed ends for driving into post etc. to take point of hook, hasp, etc.; box-shaped part into which lock of door etc. shuts; metal tube holding the reeds of oboe & similar instruments; bent wire used in wire-stitching. 2. v.t. Furnish, fasten, with ~; *stapling - machine*, bookbinder's wire-stitching machine. [(vb f. n.) OE *stapul*, cf. Du. *stapel* chair-leg, Da. *stabel* stake, G *stapel* rung, step, *stapel* stake; prob. cogn. w. STEP]
- stā'ple**², n., a., & v.t. 1. Important or principal article of commerce, as *the ~s of that country*, of *British industry*; raw material; (fig.) chief element or material, as *formed the ~ of conversation*; fibre of cotton, wool, etc., viewed as determining its quality, as *cotton of fine, short*, ~. 2. adj. Principal, as *~ commodities*. 3. v.t. Sort, classify, (wool etc.) according to fibre, whence *stāp'lin*¹ n. [(vb & adj. f. n.) = market, f. OF *estaple* f. MLG *stapel*, = prec.]
- stāf**¹, n. 1. Celestial body appearing as luminous point; (also *fixed ~*) such body so far from earth as to appear motionless except for diurnal revolution of the heavens; *double*, *multiple*, ~, group of two, of three to six, fixed ~s appearing to naked eye as one; *binary ~*, two ~s revolving round one another; *EVERING*, *MORNING*, ~; *day~* (poet.), *morning ~*, sun; *LODE~*; *north, polar*, (= POLE¹) ~; *shooting ~*, small meteor appearing like ~ moving rapidly and disappearing. 2. Thing suggesting ~ by its shape, esp. figure or object with radiating points e.g. as decoration of an order; *~s & stripes*, U.S. national flag; *astorisk*; white spot on forehead of horse etc. 3. || (Pool) additional life bought by player whose lives are lost. 4. Principal actor or actress in a company (*film ~*; *the ~ system*, of relying on a ~ or two to make up for weak company); ~ *turn*, principal item in an entertainment or performance; brilliant or prominent person, as *literary ~*, *bright particular~* (object of one's devotion). 5. Heavenly body considered as influencing person's fortunes etc., as *born under an unlucky ~*, *his ~ was in the ascendant*, *you may thank your ~s you were not there*, *the ~s were against it* (cf. ILL~red). 6. ~apple, edible applelike fruit of W.-Indian tree, with a stellate section; *S~ Chamber* [perh. diff. wd.], court of civil & criminal jurisdiction primarily concerned with offences affecting crown interests, noted for summary & arbitrary procedure, & abolished 1640; ~*drift*, common proper motion of a number of fixed ~s in same region; ~*finch*, redstart; ~*fish*, echinoderm with five or more radiating arms; ~*gazer* (joc.), astronomer; ~*light*, light of ~s, as *walked home by ~light*, (adj., also ~*lit*) lighted by the ~s, as *a ~light night*; ~*of Bethlehem*, plant of lily family with ~like white flowers striped with green on outside; *S~ of India*, order of knighthood instituted 1861 to commemorate assumption of direct government of India; ~*shell*, kind designed to burst in air & light up enemy's position; ~*spangled*, spangled with ~s (esp. of U.S. flag); ~*stone*, kind of sapphire; ~*stream*, either of two systematic drifts of ~s (one of which comprises the nearer ~s and moves towards Orion). Hence ~*LET* n., ~*LESS*, ~*LIKE*, ~*RY*, aa. [OE *steorra*, cf. Du. *ster*, G *stern*, ON *stjarna*, & L *stella*, Gk *astēr*]
- stāf**², v.t. & i. (-rr-). 1. Set, adorn, (as) with stars (esp. in p.p.); affix asterisk to (name in list etc.). 2. Appear as star actor; present as a theatrical, film, etc., star. 3. || (Pool) buy additional life. [f. prec.]
- stāf'board** (-berd), n., & v.t. 1. Right side of vessel looking forward (cf. *port*¹, *starboard*; often attrib.). 2. v.t. Turn, put, (helm) to ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *stārberd*]

(*stör* rudder, see **STERE**¹, + *bord* BOARD), early Teut. ships being steered with a paddle over the right side]

starch, a., n., & v.t. 1. (now rare). Precise, prim, whence *~LY* adv., *~NESS* n. 2. n. White odourless tasteless powder procured chiefly from corn & potatoes but found in all plants except fungi & valuable in digestion; preparation of this with usu. boiling water for stiffening linen etc. before ironing; (fig.) stiffness of manner, formality. Hence *~INESS* n., *~Y*¹ a., (lit. & fig.). 3. v.t. Stiffen with ~ (often fig. esp. in p.p., whence *~edly*² adv., *~edness* n.); *CLEAR*¹~. Hence (-)~*ER*¹ n. [adj. f. n. f. vb, ME *sterche* stiffen f. **STARKE**]

stär[e], v.i. & t., & n. 1. Look fixedly with eyes wide open (*at*, *upon*, etc., or abs.) from surprise, admiration, bewilderment, stupidity, horror, impertinent curiosity, etc.; (chiefly in part.) be unpleasantly prominent or striking, as a *~ing* waistcoat, tie was of a *~ing* red, (adv.) *stark ~ing mad*; reduce (person) to specified condition by *~ing*, as *~ed him out of countenance, into silence, dumb*; *~e down*, outstare; *~e* (person) *in the face*, be evident or imminent, as *the facts ~e us in the face*, ruin *~ed him in the face*. Hence *~ingly*² adv. 2. n. *~ing* gaze. [(n. f. vb) OE *starian*, cf. Du. *staren*, ON *stara*]

stärk, a. & adv. 1. Stiff, rigid, as *~ & stiff, lies ~ in death*; (poet.) strong; (poet.) stubborn, resolute; downright, sheer, as *~madness*. 2. adv. Quite, wholly, (chiefly in *~ mad, naked*). [OE *stearc* strong, stiff, cf. Du. *sterk*, G *stark*, ON *sterkr*; *~ naked* was orig. *starkt* (=tail) *~naked* (OE *steort* tail, cf. REDstart & Du. *staart*, G *stern*, ON *stertr*)]

stär'ling¹, n. Bird of blackish-brown plumage with light speckles & metallic purple & green reflections, of great imitative powers & easily tamed. [OE *stearline* (*stear* starling, cf. G *staar*, Da. *ster*, L *sturnus*) + *-ling*¹]

stär'ling², n. Protective piling round pier of bridge. [f. 17th c., perh. corrupt. of obs. *staddling*, OE *statholung* (*statholian* establish f. *stathol* foundation, *-ing*¹)]

starry. See **STAR**¹.

stär't¹, v.i. & t. 1. Make sudden movement from pain, surprise, etc., as *~ed in his seat*, *~ed at the sound of my voice*; change position abruptly as from shock or sudden impulse, as *~ aside*, from one's chair. 2. (Of timbers etc.) spring from proper position, give way. 3. Set out, begin journey, as *we ~ at six*; make a beginning (on journey, enterprise, book, cigar, etc.); begin, commence, (*work* etc., *doing*, *to do*). 4. *~ in* (colloq.), begin (*to do*); *~ out* (colloq.), take steps as intending (*to do*); *~ up*, rise suddenly e.g. from seat, arise, come into existence or action, occur to the mind, as *many difficulties, rivals, have*

~ed up, (trans.) cause (engine) to begin running. 5. Rouse (game) from lair etc. 6. Originate, set going, (enterprise, newspaper, business, clock after winding, objections, quarrel, etc.); cause to begin doing (*this ~ed me coughing*); cause or enable (person) to commence business etc.; give signal to (persons) to *~ in* race. 7. Cause or experience the starting of (timbers, tooth, etc.). 8. (Naut.) pour out (liquor) from cask. 9. *To ~ with*, in the first place, as *you have no right to be here, to ~ with*; at the beginning, as *had 6 members to ~ with*. [ME *sterre*, perh. f. OE *styrrian*, cogn. w. Du. *storten*, Da. *styrte*, G *stürzen*, hurl etc.]

stär't², n. 1. Sudden movement of surprise, pain, etc.; (pl.) intermittent or spasmodic efforts or movements, esp. (*works*) by fits & ~s. 2. Beginning of journey or action or race, as *shall make an early ~ for town, is difficult work at the ~, the ~ is fixed for 3 p.m.*; starting-place of race. 3. Advantage conceded in race, as *will give you 60 yards ~, 15 seconds ~*; advantageous position gained in business etc., as *got a good ~ in life, got the ~ of* (gained advantage over) *his rivals*. 4. A rum ~ (colloq.), surprising occurrence. [ME *stert*, as prec.]

stär't'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who gives signal to start in race; horse, competitor, starting in race, as *list of probable ~s*; *SELF*-. [-*ER*¹]

stär't'ing, n. In vbl senses; *~gate*, removable barrier for securing fair start in horse-races; *~post* (from which competitors start in race); *~prices* in horse-races, final odds at start. [-*ING*¹]

stär'tle, v.t. Cause (person etc.) to start with surprise or sudden alarm, give shock to, take by surprise, whence (of person, news, etc.) **stär'tler**¹ n.; (part.) surprising, alarming, as *stär'tling news, discovery, development*, whence **stär'tlingly**² adv. [ME *startlen*, *ster*-, f. **START**¹, see *-LE*(3)]

stär've, v.i. & t. 1. Die of hunger; suffer from lack of food; suffer extreme poverty; (colloq.) feel hungry, as *am simply stäv'ing*; || (now rare) perish with, suffer from, cold; (fig.) suffer mental or spiritual want, feel strong craving for (sympathy, amusement, knowledge, etc.). 2. Cause to perish with hunger; deprive of, keep scantily supplied with, food (lit. & fig.); compel (garrison etc. *into* surrender etc.) thus; || cause to perish, affect severely, with cold. Hence **stäv'ation** n. [OE *stærfan* die, cf. Du. *sterven*, G *sterben*, die]

stäv'ing (-vi-), n. & a. 1. Starving or ill-fed person or animal. 2. adj. Starving. [-*ING*¹]

stäs'is, n. (path.). Stoppage of circulation of any of the fluids of the body. [Gk. = standing]

-stat, terminal element in names of certain instruments, f. *Gk statos* stationary; as *AERO-*, *PHOTO-*, *THERMO-*.

stāte¹, n. & a. 1. Condition in which a thing is, mode of existence as determined by circumstances, as ~ of life (one's rank & occupation), a precarious ~ of health, found him in the same ~, in a ~ of deep depression, things were in an untidy ~, in a bad ~ of repair, what a (dirty, untidy) ~ you are in!, (colloq.) he was in quite a ~ (quite excited or anxious) about it. 2. (Often *S-*) organized political community with government recognized by the people, commonwealth, nation; such community forming part of federal republic, esp. the *United S-s* (of America). 3. pl. Legislative body in Jersey & Guernsey. 4. Civil government, as *Church & S-*. 5. Rank, dignity, as in a style befitting his ~. 6. Pomp, as arrived in great ~; keep ~, maintain one's dignity, be difficult of access; in ~ (with all due ceremony). 7. (arch.). Throne (also chair of ~), dais, canopy over throne. 8. (Of dead person) lie in ~, be placed on view in public place. 9. (Bibliog.) one of two or more differing portions of a single edition of a book. 10. (Impression taken from) an etched or engraved plate at a particular stage of its progress. 11. **Free, slave, S-*, *S-* in which slavery did not, did, exist; *Southern S-s* (in southern part of U.S.); *S-s* of the Church, *Papal S-s*, former temporal dominions of Pope chiefly in central Italy; *S-s General*, legislative bodies of (1) the Netherlands (2) France before 1789; ~craft, art of conducting affairs of *S-*. 12. adj. Of, for, concerned with, the *S-*, as ~criminal, political offender; ~ documents, service; ~ prisoner, person under arrest for felony, also political prisoner; ~trial, prosecution by *S-* esp. for political offence; **S-Department* (of foreign affairs); **S-rights*, rights & powers not delegated to United *S-s* but reserved to individual *S-s*; *S- socialism*, socialist, policy, advocate, of *S-* control of manufactures, railways, etc. for the benefit of the masses. 13. Reserved for, done on, occasions of ceremony, as ~ apartments, carriage; ~ call (colloq.), formal visit; ~ room, room so reserved, also, private sleeping-apartment on steamer. [(adj. f. n.) f. OF *estat* f. STATUS]

stāte², v.t. Express, esp. fully or clearly, in speech or writing, as have ~d my opinion, must ~ full particulars, this condition was expressly ~d, no precise time was ~d, did not ~ why, ~s that arrangements are complete; fix, specify, (date etc.), as at ~d intervals, whence **stāt'edil**¹ adv.; (Alg.) express the conditions of (problem, relation, etc.) in symbols. Hence **stāt'aria** a. [f. prec.]

stāt'is (pl. -is), a. (Of manner, language,

person, literary style, rhythm, building, proportions, etc.) dignified, imposing, grand. Hence ~iness n. [as **STATI**¹, see -LY¹]

stāt'ement (-tm-), n. Stating, expression in words, as requires clearer ~; thing stated, as the ~ is unfounded; formal account of facts, e.g. of liabilities & assets, as the Bank issues monthly ~s. [-MENT]

stāt'er, n. Ancient Greek coin of various values, esp. gold coin worth 20 drachmae. [L. f. *Gk statēr* (*sta-* stand, *histēmi* weigh)]

stātes'man (-ts-), n. Person taking prominent part, person skilled, in management of State affairs; sagacious far-sighted practical politician; || (North.) small working landowner; the *Elder Statesmen*, the Japanese statesmen who mainly directed the evolution of Japan between the re-establishment of the Mikado (1868), & the end of the 19th c., also transf. Hence ~like, ~ly¹, aa., ~SHIP(3) n. [= *state's man*]

stāt'ic(al), a. Concerned with bodies at rest or forces in equilibrium, whence **stāt'ics** n. pl. (or as sing.), also = atmospheres; acting as weight but not moving, as ~ pressure; ~ electricity (at rest); *static aetia*, inability to stand without falling or swaying; *static water*, local supply not under pressure. Hence **stāt'ically**¹ adv. [f. *Gk statikos* (*sta-* stand, see -IC & -AL)]

stāt'ion, n., & v.t. 1. Standing, being still, (opp. motion; now rare; a ~ like the *herald Mercury*). 2. Place, building, etc., in which person or thing stands or is placed esp. habitually or for definite purpose, as was assigned a ~ in the valley, returned to their several ~s, took up a convenient ~, coastguard ~ (occupied by coastguardsmen), *police* ~, || *lifeboat* ~ (where lifeboat is kept); *naval* ~, place affording shelter or harbour for ships with dockyard etc.; (pl., Nav.) posts assigned to members of ship's complement in readiness for battle. 3. Subordinate depot or office serving local needs. 4. Stopping-place on railway with buildings for accommodation of passengers & goods or || (goods-) of goods only. 5. Position in life, (high) rank, status, employment, as occupied a humble ~, men of (exalted) ~, the duties of his ~. 6. (Surv.) point from which measurements are made, standard distance usu. 100 or 66 ft. 7. Military post esp. in India, officers or society residing there. 8. (Austral.) sheep-run or its building. 9. (eol.) Fast on Wed. & Frid. (hist.); (also ~ of the cross) each of series of 14 images or pictures representing Christ's passion before which devotions are performed in some churches; church esp. in Rome to which pilgrims etc. go for devotions. 10. (Bot., Zool.) nature of the habitat of plant or animal

in respect of climate, soil, etc. 11. ~-bill (Naut.), list of appointed posts of ship's company; || ~-calendar, board showing successively the starting-time of trains at each platform; ~-house, police-station; || ~-master, official in charge of railway~; ~-pointer, three-armed protractor for locating place on chart from certain data. 12. v.t. Assign ~ to, place (person, oneself) in ~. [(vb f. n.) F, f. stationem (stare stand, -ATION)]

stāt'ionary (-sho-), a. & n. 1. Remaining in one place, not moving, as balloon was now ~; not meant to be moved, not portable, as ~ engine, troops; (of planet) having no apparent motion in longitude; not changing in magnitude, number, quality, efficiency, etc., as ~ temperature, population, intelligence; ~ air (remaining in lungs during ordinary respiration); ~ diseases, local diseases due to atmospheric conditions & disappearing after a period. 2. n. ~ person, esp. (pl.) ~ troops. Hence

stāt'ionariness (-sho-) n. [f. L *stationarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

stāt'ioner (-sho-), n. One who sells writing-materials etc.; || *S-s' Hall* (of S-s' Company in London, at which book was formerly entered, i.e. registered, for purposes of copyright). Hence **stāt'ionery** (1) (-sho-) n. [earlier = bookseller (as prec. in med. L sense *shopkeeper* as opp. pedlar)]

stāt'ist, n. Dealer in statistics. [earlier = politician, f. STATE¹ + -IST]

statis'tics, n. pl. Numerical facts systematically collected, as ~ics of population, crime; (treated as sing.) science of collecting, classifying, & using ~ios. So ~IO(AL) aa., ~ICAL¹ adv., **stātist'ICIAN** (-ishn), **stātist'IC**, nn. [prec. + -IOS]

stāt'or, n. (electr.). Stationary portion of a generator or motor; ~ armature (non-rotating). [L, f. stare stand]

stāt'oscope, n. Aneroid barometer for showing minute variations of pressure. [f. Gk *statos* fixed (*sta-* stand) + -SCOPE]

stāt'uary, a. & n. 1. Of or for statues, as ~ art, ~ marble (fine-grained white). 2. n. Sculptor; (art of making) statues. [f. L *statuarius* (as foll., see -ARY¹)]

stāt'ue, n. Sculptured or cast or moulded figure of person or animal (esp. one not much below life size, opp. to ~ETTE n.); EQUESTRIAN ~e. Hence ~ED¹ (-ād) a. [OF, f. L *statua* (stare stand)]

stāt'uesque (-k), a. Like, having the dignity or beauty of, a statue. Hence ~LY¹ (-ki-) adv., ~NESS (-kn-) n. [-ESQUE]

stāt'ure (-yər), n. Height of (esp. human) body, as increased in ~, of man ~e. Hence ~(-ED¹ (-yerd) a. [OF, f. L *statura* standing posture (*stare* stat- stand, see -URE)]

stāt'us, n. (pl. prob. not used). Social position, rank, relation to others, relative importance, (*his ~ is a matter of doubt*,

their ~ is wholly different, his ~ among novelists); (Law) person's relation to others as fixed by law; position of affairs, esp. ~ (in) quo, unchanged position (cf. IN¹ *statu quo*) or (also ~ quo ante) the previous position. [L, gen. -de, = standing (*stare* stand)]

stāt'utable, a. = STATUTORY. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [-ABLE]

stāt'ute, n. A written law of a legislative body, e.g. Act of Parliament; *S~ of Westminster* (in 1931, conferring equality of status on the self-governing British Dominions); ~ law, a ~, (collect.) the ~s (opp. to COMMON¹ law); ordinance of corporation, founder, etc., intended to be permanent, as *University ~s*; (Bibl.) divine law, as *kept thy ~s*;

(fixing interpretation of existing law); *private ~* (affecting individuals, opp. to *general, public, ~*); ~-book, book(s) containing the ~ law; ~-roll, engrossed ~, ~-book; ~s at large (in full as originally enacted). [f. F *statut* f. LL *statutum* neut. p.p. as n. of L *statuere* establish (*stare* stand)]

stāt'utory, a. Enacted, required, imposed, by statute, as ~ provisions, *minimum*. [-ORY]

staunch¹, **stanch**, (-aw-, -ah-), a. Trustworthy, loyal, as ~ friend, supporter; (of ship, joint, etc.) watertight, airtight. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [earlier also = watertight, f. OF *estanche* fem. adj. as STANCH¹]

staunch². See STANCH¹.

staur'oscope, n. Instrument for examining effects of polarized light on crystals. [f. Gk *stauros* cross + -SCOPE]

stave¹, n. Each of the curved pieces of wood forming sides of cask etc.; each of the boards forming curb of well or hollow cylinder; rung of ladder; stanza, verse; (Mus.) = STAFF; ~-rhyme, alliteration esp. in old Teut. poetry. [var. of STAFF, due to pl. *staves*]

stave², v.t. (*stove* or ~d). Break a hole in (cask, boat; often in adv.); (usu. ~ in) crush or bash (hat, box) out of shape; furnish, fit, (cask etc.) with staves; ~ off, avert, ward off, defer, (ruin, exposure, etc.); make (metal etc.) firm by compression. [f. prec.]

staves' acre (-vāshər), n. Kind of larkspur whose seeds are used as poison for vermin. (f. L *staphisagria*-(Gk *staphis* dried grapes + *agria* wild)]

stay¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Now chiefly literary) check, stop, (progress, inroads of disease etc.). 2. ~ one's stomach, appease hunger esp. temporarily. 3. Postpone (judgement, decision). 4. Support, prop (often up) as or with buttress etc. 5. Remain, as ~ here till I return, will not ~ where it is put (also, will not ~ put), has come to ~ (colloq.), must be regarded as permanent; (w. adv.) ~ away, etc., out

etc.; ~ in *strike*, (of miners) ~ down *strike*, = *sit-down strike*; (colloq.) wait long enough to partake of (can you ~ supper?); dwell temporarily (at hotel etc., in town etc., with person). 6. Pause in movement, action, speech (esp. in imperat.), etc., as *get him to ~ a minute*, ~!—*you forget one thing*. 7. Show endurance esp. in race, as *does not seem able to ~*, whence ~ER¹ n. 8. ~-at-home a. & n., (person) remaining habitually at home. 9. n. Remaining, esp. dwelling, in a place, duration of this, as *made a long ~ in London*, *your ~ has been very short*. 10. Suspension of judicial proceedings (esp. ~ of execution, i.e. of carrying out judgement given). 11. (Chiefly literary) check, restraint, (will endure no ~, a ~ upon his activity). 12. Endurance, ~ing-power. 13. Prop, support, (you have been the ~ of my old age). 14. pl. Corset, whence ~LESS a. 15. ~-bar, ~-rod, support in building or machinery; ~-lace, ~-maker (of corsets). [n. f. vb, prob. f. OF *ester* f. L *stare* stand; sense support v. & n. perh. f. OF *estay*(r), f. Teut. as foll., in transferred uses]

stay¹, n., & v.t. (naut.). 1. Rope supporting mast or spar; *ship is (a)ve* in ~s (going about from one tack to another); *mis ~s*, fail in endeavour to tack; ~sail (-sail, Naut. -sail), any sail extended on ~. 2. v.t. Support (mast etc.) by ~s; put (ship) on other tack. [vb f. n. OE *steag*, cf. G. *Stütze*, & ON *stæg*, cogn. w. STEEL]

stead (stêd), n. (now chiefly literary). *Stand* (person) in good ~, be advantageous or serviceable to; in person's ~, instead of him, as his substitute. [OE & Du. *stede* place, cogn. w. Du. *stad*, G. *Stadt*, town, & w. STAND; seen in *bedstead*, *homestead*]

steadfast (stêd-), a. Constant, firm, unwavering. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *stedefast* (prec. FAST²)]

steadfast (stêd-), n. Farmstead. [-ING¹]

steadfast (stêd-), a., n., & v.t. & l. 1. Firmly fixed or supported or standing or balanced, not tottering, as *not ~ on his legs*, *must level table's legs to make it ~*, ~ as a rock, *has not acquired a ~ seat on bicycle*; done, moving, acting, happening, in uniform & regular manner, as *went off at a ~ pace*, *had a ~ wind behind us*, *requires a ~ light*, *observe a ~ increase in the numbers*; (as command or warning) ~!, be ~, abstain from erratic or boisterous behaviour; premature action, hasty inference, etc., (Naut., also *keep her ~*) keep direction of ship's head unchanged; ~ on!, stop!; constant in mind or conduct, not changeable, as ~ in his principles, allegiance; of industrious & temperate habits. 2. n. Kind of support for head or back; (colloq.) regular sweetheart. Hence ~-stead¹ adv., ~-stead² n., (stêd-). 3. vb. Make, become, ~ as ~ the

boat, *boat steadied*, adversity will ~ him, *he will soon ~ (down)*. [STEAD + -Y²]

steak (stāk), n. Slice of beef, pork, venison, or fish, out for broiling etc., as *beef-steak*, *porter's-house*, ~, *fillet* ~ (from undercut of sirloin); *Hamburg* ~, cake of chopped & seasoned beef cooked in covered frying-pan. [f. ON *steik* (*steikja* roast on spit)]

steal, v.t. & l. (*stōle*, *stōlen*). 1. Take away (thing, or abs.) secretly for one's own use without right or leave, take feloniously, as *who ~s my purse ~s trash*, *stolen fruit*; obtain surreptitiously or by surprise, as *stole a kiss*, *a stolen interview*; ~ one's THUNDER; (also ~ away) win, get possession of, (esp. person's heart) by insidious arts, attractions, etc.; ~ a march on, get the start of, anticipate. 2. Intr. Move (in, out, away, up, by, etc.) secretly or silently, as *stole out of the room*, *mist stole over the valley*. Hence (-)~ER¹ n. [OE *stelan*, cf. Du. *stelen*, G. *stehlen*]

stealth (stêl-), n. Secrecy, secret procedure, esp. by ~, surreptitiously. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n., ~Y³ a. [-TR¹]

steam¹, n. 1. Vapour of water, esp. the gas into which water is changed by boiling, largely used as motive power owing to its elasticity; *saturated* ~ (in contact with, & at same temperature as, boiling water); *superheated* ~ (having higher temperature at given pressure, & greater volume for a given weight, than saturated ~); *wet*, *dry*, ~ (containing, not containing, mechanically suspended particles of water); visible particles of water resulting from condensation of ~; any vaporous exhalation. 2. (colloq.). Energy, as *get up ~*, summon energy for special effort, so *put on*, *let off*, *work off*, ~. 3. ~-boat, vessel propelled by ~; ~-boiler, vessel in which water is boiled to generate ~ esp. for working engine; ~-box, ~-chest (through which ~ passes from boiler to cylinder); ~-brake, *crane*, *gun*, *hammer*, *plough*, *whistle*, *winch*, etc. (worked by ~); ~-coal (used in heating ~-boilers); ~-colour (fixed on printed cloth by action of ~); ~-cylinder (in which piston of ~-engine moves); ~-engine, locomotive or stationary engine in which the motive power depends on elasticity & expansion or rapid condensation of ~; ~-gas, *superheated*, ~, ~-gauge (attached to boiler to show pressure of ~); ~-heat, heat required to produce ~ from water at freezing-point, also, heat given out by ~ from radiators etc.; ~-jacket, casing round cylinder etc. with space between to be filled by ~ for heating the cylinder etc.; ~-man, ~-moving machine; ~-port, each of two openings passages from ~-chest into cylinder, any passage from ~-chest to cylinder, or from cylinder to machinery etc.; ~-valve, valve opening & closing the passage between the boiler and the cylinder.

used in road-making, (fig.) a crushing power or force (v.t., crush as with a ~-roller); ~ship (propelled by ~); ~tight, capable of resisting passage of ~; ~ tug, steamer for towing ships etc. Hence ~INESS n., ~Y^a a. [OE *stēam*, cf. Du. *stoom*, etym. dub.]

steam', v.t. & i. Cook (food) by steam; treat with steam, soften (timber) for bending by steam; give out steam or vapour, as a *stirion* ~ed on the table, water ~ing hot; rise in vapour; move by agency of steam, as we, the vessel, ~ed down the river; (colloq.) work vigorously, make great progress, esp. ~ ahead, away. [OE *stēman* (prec.)]

steam'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: vessel propelled by steam; fire-engine worked by steam; vessel in which things are steamed, esp. cooked by steam; boiler is a bad ~ (generator of steam). [-ER¹]

sté'arin, n. Chief ingredient of suet & tallow; (pop.) stearic acid separated from ~ by steam & used for candles. Hence **sté'arar**'(8) n., **sté'aric** a. [f. Gk *stear* fat + -IN]

sté'ariner'y, n. Manufacture of stearin (products). [-ERY]

sté'atite, n. Kind of talc, soapstone. Hence **stéatit'ic** a. [f. L *stœatites* (f. Gk as foll., -ITE¹)]

stéat(e)- in comb. = Gk *stear* -atos fat.

steed, n. (poet., rhet., or joc.). Horse, esp. war-horse. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *stēda* (stud stup¹)]

steel, n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of malleable alloy of iron & carbon largely used as material for tools, weapons, etc., & capable of being tempered to many different degrees of hardness (often attrib., as ~ pen), whence ~IFY v.t.; BESSEMER ~; cold ~, sword etc. as opp. to firearm; a grip, muscles, a heart, of ~ (very tight, strong, hard); rod of ~, usu. tapering & roughened, for sharpening knives; strip of ~ for stiffening corset or expanding skirt; (poet., rhet., not in pl.) sword (a foe worthy of one's ~). 2. ~ cap, simple form of helmet; ~ clad, clad in armour; ~ engraving, engraving on, impression taken from, ~ plate; ~work, ~ articles, ~ for these. 3. v.t. Harden (oneself, one's heart, etc., to do, to action, against compassion etc.). [OE *stēle* & *stēh*, cf. Du. *staal*, G *stahl*, ON *stīl*, cogn. w. STAY¹]

steel'y, a. Of, hard as, steel; inflexibly severe, as ~y glance, composure. Hence ~INESS n., ~Y¹.

steel'yard, n. Kind of balance with short arm to take the thing weighed & long graduated arm along which a weight is slid to balance this. [prob. f. *steel* & *yard*, but now taken as for *steel* & *yard* balance of Hancote's Steel-yard, a sample-house mis-transcribed]

steen'bōk (stān-, stēn-), n. Kinds of small African antelope. [Du., lit. stone buck] **steen'ing**, n. Stone lining of well. [f. dial. *steen* pave (OE *stēman* to STONE) + -ING¹] **steen'kifk**, n. (hist.). Cravat, other articles of dress etc., named in allusion to Battle of *Steenkerke* in Belgium 1692.

steep', a. & n. 1. Having decided slope, sheer, as ~ hills; (colloq., of demand, price, etc.) exorbitant, unreasonable, as seems a bit ~ that we should have both the trouble & the expense, (of story etc.) exaggerated, incredible. 2. n. ~ slope, precipice. Hence ~EN^a v.i. & t., ~LY^a adv., ~NESS n., ~Y² (poet.) a. [OE *stēpp*, cf. OFris. *stāp*, cogn. w. STROOP]

steep', v.t., & n. 1. Soak in liquid; with liquid; ~ in (fig.), impregnate with, pervade with, as ~ed in Greek & Latin, misery, slumber. 2. n. Process of ~ing (esp. in ~), liquid in which thing is ~ed. [ME *stepen*, cf. Sw. *stēpa*; perh. cogn. w. STROUP]

steep'er, n. Vessel in which things are steeped. [-ER¹]

stee'ple, n. Lofly structure, esp. tower surmounted with spire, rising above roof of church; ~chase, horse-race (perh. orig. with ~ as goal) across tract of country with ditches, hedges, etc., to jump, (also) cross-country foot-race; ~chaser, rider in ~chase, horse trained for ~chase; ~chasing, the sport of riding in ~chases; ~crowned hat (with tall pointed crown); ~jack, man who climbs ~s etc. to do repairs etc.; ~top, polar whale with spout-holes ending in cone. Hence **stee'pled**' (-ld) a., ~WISE adv. [OE *stēpel* & *stēpel* (as STEEP¹)]

steer', v.t. & i. Guide (vessel) by rudder or helm, guide vessel in specified direction, (~ing-wheel, vertical wheel with handles along rim for controlling rudder); guide (motor, aircraft, etc.) by wheel etc.; (chiefly colloq. or poet.) direct (one's course), direct one's course, in specified direction, as ~ed his flight heavenwards, we ~ed (our course) for the railway station, ~ clear of (avoid) the local meteorologist; ~s'man, one who ~s vessel, ~s'manship, skill in ~ing. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹(1, 2) n. [OE *stēran*, *stēoran* (stēor rudder, cf. Du. *stuur*, G *steuer*, ON *stýri*, cogn. w. ON *staurr*, Gk *stauros*, stake)]

steer', n. Young male of ox kind, esp. castrated bullock raised for beef. [OE *stēor*, cf. Du. & G *stier* bull, ON *stjórr*] **steer'age**, n. (Now rare) steering; (Naut.) effect of helm on ship, as ship went with easy ~; part of ship allotted to ~ passengers (travelling at cheapest rate), variously placed; (hist.; in warship) part of berth-deck just forward of wardroom, quarters of junior officers, clerks, etc.; ~way, amount of headway required by vessel to enable her to be controlled by [AGE] *steerage* *steering* *steering* *steering*

steeve¹, v.i. & t., & n. (naut.). 1. (Of bowsprit) make angle with horizon; cause (bowsprit) to do this. 2. n. Such angle. [perh. f. OF *estee* plough-tail f. L *stiva*]

steeve², n., & v.t. (naut.). 1. Long spar used in stowing cargo. 2. v.t. Stow with this. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *estiver* cram f. L *stipare*]

Stein'berger (stin-, -ger), n. White wine grown on Rhine near Wiesbaden.

stein'böck (stin-), n. A wild goat, the Alpine ibex. [G. = stone buck]

stēl'ē, n. (Gk archæol.; pl. -ae). Upright slab or pillar usu. with inscription & sculpture, esp. as gravestone. [Gk]

stēll'ar, a. Of stars. So ~if'EROUS, ~i-FORM, aa. [f. LL *stellaris* (stella star, see -AR¹)]

stēll'ate, -ätēd, aa. Arranged like a star, radiating, esp. (Bot.) ~ leaves (surrounding stem in a whorl). Hence **stēll'atery**² adv. [f. L *stellare* set with stars (*stella* star), see -ATE¹]

|| **stēll'enbösch** (-sh), v.t. (mil. sl.). Supercede without formal disgrace by appointing to unimportant command. [f. S~ in S. Africa, military base so utilized]

stēll'ül'ar, a. Shaped like, set with, small stars. So ~ATE² a. [f. LL *stellula* dim. of *stella* star + -AR¹]

stēm¹, n., & v.t. & i. (-mm-). 1. Main body or stalk (usu. rising into light & air but occas. subterranean) of tree, shrub, or plant; slender stalk supporting fruit, flower, or leaf, & attaching it to main stalk or branch or twig. 2. ~shaped part, e.g. slender part of wine-glass between body & foot, vertical line rising or falling from head of note in music, various winding-parts of watch (~winder, watch wound by turning head on end of ~, not by key), tubular part of tobacco-pipe. 3. Part of noun, verb, etc. (derived from & occas. identified with a root) to which case-endings etc. are added, part that appears or would originally appear unchanged throughout the case of a noun, persons of a tense, etc. 4. Line of ancestry, branch of family, as descended from an ancestor, a collateral, ~. 5. Curved timber or metal piece to which ship's sides are joined at fore end, piece joined to & forming upright continuation of keel at fore end, as from ~ to stern, from end to end; false ~, sharp-edged piece in front of ~ serving as outwater. 6. vb. Remove ~ of (esp. tobacco, whence ~m'ER¹(1) n.); *spring from, originate in. Hence ~LESS, (-)~mEN¹ (-md), aa., ~LER¹ n. [(vb f. n.) OE *stefn*, stem, stem (of tree, ship, family), cf. Du. *stam* trunk, *steeven* prow, ON *stafr*, *stamm*, stem of ship, Da. *stamme*, G *stamm*, trunk]

stēm², v.t. (-mm-). Check, dam up, (stream etc., lit. & fig.); make headway against (tide, current, etc., lit. & fig.). Hence **check** f. ON *stemma*, cf. Da. *stemme*,

G *stemmen*, cogn. w. STAMMER; 2nd sense f. prec.]

stēm'm'a, n. (pl. ~as). Family tree, pedigree; lineal descent; (Zool.) simple eye, facet of compound eye. [L, f. Gk *stemma* wreath (*strophē* wreath, see -M)]

stēm'ple, n. Each of several cross-bars in shaft of mine serving as supports or steps. [cf. G *stempel*]

Stēn (gūn), n. A light-weight machine-gun. [f. S and T (initials of inventors' surnames, Shepherd and Turpin) + -en for (England)]

stēnch, n. Offensive smell; ~trap (in sewer etc., to prevent upward passage of gas). [OE *stenc* (any) smell, cf. Du. & G *stank*, cogn. w. STINK]

stēn'cil, n., & v.t. (-li-). 1. (Also ~plate) thin plate of metal etc. in which pattern (interrupted when necessary by a thin bar of the material left to prevent piece from falling out) is cut out; decoration, lettering, etc., produced by ~. 2. v.t. Produce (pattern) on surface, ornament (surface) with pattern, by brushing paint etc. over a ~-plate laid on the surface. Hence ~LER¹ n. [perh. f. OF *estencleier* sparkle, cover with stars, f. *estencle*, see TENSEL]

stēno- in comb. = Gk *stenos* narrow, chiefly in scientific wds.

stēnōch'rom'y (-k-), n. Art of printing in several colours at one impression. [f. STENO- + Gk *chrōma* colour + Y¹]

stēn'ograph (-ahf), n. Character used, piece of writing, in shorthand; kinds of machine for writing in shorthand. Hence **stēnōg'rapher**¹, **stēnōg'raph-er**, **stēnōg'raphy**¹, nn., **stēnōgrāph'**¹⁰ a., **stēnōgrāph'**¹ICALLY adv. [STENO- + -GRAPH]

Stēn'tōr, n. Person with powerful voice. Hence **stēntōr'ian** a. [L f. Gk *Stentōr*, herald in Trojan war]

stēn'torphōne, n. Specially powerful loud speaker. [prec. + Gk *phōnē* sound]

stēp¹, v.i. & t. (-pp-). 1. Shift & set down foot or alternate feet (~ out, short, take long, short, steps; ~ through a dance, perform its steps; ~ high, lift feet high esp. of trotting horse, so high-stēpp'er); go short distance or progress in some direction by ~ping (~ back, forward, across the road, into the boat; ~ this way, polite formula for come here; ~ in, out, enter, leave, room or house; ~ in, fig., intervene to help or hinder; ~ up, down; ~ aside, lit., & fig. = make depression); ~ on the gas; hence ~ on it (sl.), hurry. 2. Perform (dance); also ~ it, (dance), measure (distance), by ~ping. 3. (Naut., prob. f. n.) set up (mast) in step. 4. ~ in n. & a., (garment, esp. woman's undergarment) put on by being ~ped into; ~ping-stone, raised usu. as one of set in stream or muddy place to enable passengers to cross dryshod, (fig.) means

to an end; ~ up (trans.), increase the rate, volume, etc. of, (Electr.) increase voltage of (current) by transformer. [OE *steppan* plant foot, go, cf. Du. *stappen*, G *stapfen*]

stēp¹, n. 1. Complete movement of one leg in walking or running or dancing, distance gained by it, mark left by foot on ground, sound made by setting foot down, manner of stepping as seen or heard, simultaneous stepping with corresponding legs by two or more persons or animals, (fig.) measure taken esp. as one of a series in some course of action, (*look a ~ back* or *forward*; ~ *by* ~, gradually, cautiously, by degrees; *that is a long ~ towards success*; *it is but a ~ to my house, from life to death*, exagg. for short distance or quick transition; *do not move a ~*; *turn one's ~s*, go in a specified direction; *found his ~s* or usu. *foot~s* in the soil; *in his etc. ~s*, following his etc. example; *do you hear a, know her, ~?*; *walks with a rapid ~*; *one~, two~, dance names*; *in, out of, ~*, stopping, not stepping, in time with others or with drum-beat etc.; *keep, break, ~*, keep in, get out of, ~; *keep ~ with person, to hand* etc.; FALSE ~; *must take ~s in the matter, to prevent it*, etc.; *a rash, ill-advised, prudent, etc., ~*; *mind, watch, your ~*, be careful). 2. Surface provided or utilized for placing foot on in ascending or descending, e.g. tread or riser & tread of staircase, block of stone or other platform before door or altar etc., rung of ladder, notch cut for foot in ice-climbing, attached piece of vehicle for stepping up or down by, (pl., also ~ *ladder* or *pair* or *set* of ~s) kind of short ladder with flat ~s & prop used without being leant against wall etc., (fig.) one of the degrees in some scale of precedence or advancement, advance from one of these to another, (*staircase of 50 ~s*; *stone, oak, ~s*; *door, altar, ~*; *on the top ~ of the ladder*; *run down the ~s*; *cutting ~s with his ice-axe*; *when did you get your ~?*, promotion esp. in army; *give him a ~ in the peerage*). 3. (Naut.) socket or platform supporting mast; (Carpentry) piece of timber with another fixed upright in it; (Mech.) lower socket or bearing for shaft. 4. ~ *dance*, in which the ~s are peculiar or difficult or of more importance than the figure, usu. danced as display by one performer. Hence ~ *ped*¹ (-pt) a., ~ *wiss* adv. [OE *stepe* (prec.)]

stēp², pref., - holding nominal relationship analogous to that specified owing to death of one and remarriage of the other of a married pair; ~ *child*, ~ *son*, ~ *daughter*, one's wife's or husband's child by previous marriage; ~ *father*, ~ *mother*, ~ *parent*, one's parent's later husband or wife; ~ *mother* or arch. ~ *dame*, harsh or neglectful mother lit. or fig. whence ~ *motherly*¹ a.; ~ *brother*,

~ *sister*, child of previous marriage of one's ~ *parent*. [OE *stēop* orphaned, cf. Du. & G *stief*-, OHG *stiuſan* deprive of parents or children; applied first to child & later extended to parent etc.]

stēphanōt¹ is, n. Climbing hothouse plant with fragrant waxy flowers. [Gk fem. adj. = fit for a wreath (*stephanos*)]

stēp² *ney*, n. (pl. ~s). Spare spk/less wheel formerly carried by motorists. [said to be from S~ street, Llanelli where made]

stēppe, n. Level plain devoid of forest esp. in Russia & Siberia. [f. Russ. *stepi* -ster, suf. forming agent nn.; OE *-este*, cf. Du. & Fris. -ster. In OE the suf. was confined to the fem., but this restriction appears in mod. E only in *spinster*. EXX.: *brew~, huck~* (which however seems to have existed before the obs. vb *huck*), *game~, malt~, pun~, & perh. hol~, bol~*. In *seamstress* -ESS¹ is added to -ster; -ster in *lobster* is of different orig., but perh. assimilated.]

stērcōr¹ *ceous* (-shus), **stērc**² *oral*, aa. Of ordure or faeces. [L *stercus* -oris dung, -ACEOUS, -AL]

stēre, n. A cubic metre (about 35·3 cu. ft.). [F (-ère), f. Gk *stereos* solid]

stē¹ *rēō*, n. & a. (colloq.; pl. ~s). Stereotype (often attrib., as ~ *plate*); stereoscope; (adj.) stereoscopic. [shortening]

stē² *rēō*-, comb. form of Gk *stereos* solid, stiff: ~ *bate*, solid platform on which a building is erected; ~ *chem*¹ *istry*, branch dealing with composition of matter as affected by relations of atoms in space; ~ *gram*, ~ *graph*, (one of) a pair of photographs for use in a ~ *scope*; ~ *scope*, instrument for viewing pair of photographs of scene, object, etc. taken at slightly different angles, each with one eye, thus producing by the combination of these images an impression of depth & solidity, so ~ *scōp*¹ *io* (ALLY), ~ *scōp*² *y*¹ (-ōē), **stē**³ *rēōt*¹ *ype*, n., & v.t. 1. Printing-plate cast from a papier-mâché or other mould of a piece of printing composed in movable type; making, use, of such plates; (fig.) fixed mental impression; ~ *e-block*, on which ~ *e* is mounted for use; hence ~ *ist*¹ (l), ~ *y*¹, ~ *ōg*¹ *r**aphy*, nn. 2. v.t. Make ~ *es* of; print by use of ~ *es*; (fig.) make unchangeable, impart monotonous regularity to, fix in all details, formalise; hence ~ *er*¹ n. [f. F *stéréotype* a. & n. (prec., TYPE)]

stē⁴ *rill*¹ *e*, a. Unfruitful, unproductive, barren, not producing crop or fruit or young or complete seed or result (~ *e land, cow, plant, year, effort, discussion*); free from living germs esp. bacilli or bacteria or microbes (usu. ~ *ised*); (of style) jejune, bald. Hence or cogn. ~ *er*² (l) v.t., (esp.) render free from micro-organisms, render incapable of producing offspring, ~ *isa*¹ *tion*, ~ *isa*² *ty*, ~ *steril*¹ *ity*,

nn. [f. L. *sterilis*, cogn. w. Skr. *stari*, Gk *steira*, barren cow]

stér'let, n. Kind of small sturgeon. [f. Russ. *sterlyadi*]

stér'ling, a. & n. 1. (Of coins & precious metals) genuine, of standard value or purity, (abbr. *slg*; with coins, chiefly appended to sum expressed in pounds without odd money, as £20 *slg*; is of ~ gold, silver); (transf.) of solid worth, not showy, that is what it seems to be, (is a ~ fellow; ~ sense, qualities, character; the ~ nature of). 2. n. Genuine British money; British money as dist. from foreign money. [orig. as n., = the English silver penny; etym. dub.; the derivation f. *Easterling* is unlikely, requiring loss of the stressed syllable; perh. = little star, w. ref. to star found on some early Norman pennies; see -LING¹(2)]

stérn¹, a. Severe, grim, rigid, strict, enforcing discipline or submission, not compassionate or indulgent or yielding, (~ countenance, ruler, treatment, rebuke, virtue, father, tutor; ~er sex). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *styrne*; perh. cogn. w. STEREO-, STARE]

stérn², n. 1. Hind part of ship or boat (opp. bow, stem; from stem to ~, throughout ship; ~ chase, pursuit of ship by another straight behind it; ~ foremost, moving backwards; ~ on, with ~ presented; BY¹ the ~). 2. Buttocks, rump; tail esp. of foxhound. 3. ~CHASE¹ to (ray); ~fast, rope or chain securing ~ to quay etc.; ~post, central upright timber or iron of ~ usu. bearing rudder; ~ sheets, space in boat aft of rowers' thwarts often with seats for passengers [perh. f. SHEET in naut. sense rope]; ~way, backward motion or impetus of ship; ~wheel'er, steamer propelled by one large paddle-wheel at ~. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-nd), ~MOST, aa., ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS (-z) adv. [f. ON *stefrn* steering cogn. w. STEER¹]

stérn(o)-, comb. form of foll. esp. in names of muscles etc. connecting sternum with other part; ~al'gia, chest-pain, esp. angina pectoris; ~oclavic'ular, of sternum & clavicle; ~ofa'cial; ~othyr'oid.

stérn'um, n. (pl. ~a). Bone running from neck to stomach & having ribs articulated with it, the breastbone. Hence ~AL a. [mod. L, f. Gk *sternon* chest]

stérnút'tion, n. Sneezing, sneeze. [f. L. *sternutatio* (sternutare frequent. of *sternere* sneeze of Gk *sternumai*, -σναι)]

stérnút'tive a., stérnút'tory a. & n. (Substance, e.g. snuff) causing to sneeze. [f. *sternutare* (prec.), -IVE, -ORY]

stér'torous, a. (Of breathing or breathes, esp. in apoplexy etc.) making snorelike sounds. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. *sternere* snore, -OR¹, -OUS]

stér't, pref.-marking direction, & v.t. 1. Let it be: (the original form) stand (in margin to suggest a correction). 2. v.t.

Write ~ against, cancel correction of. [L, 3 sing. subj. of *stare* stand]

stéth'oscópe, n., & v.t. 1. Instrument used in auscultation esp. of the heart. 2. v.t. Examine with ~oscope. Hence ~ós'copist, ~ós'copy¹, nn., ~oscóp'io a., ~oscóp'ically adv. [F (*sté-*), f. Gk *stéthos* breast, -SCOP¹]

stét'son, n. Slouch hat of type worn by Anzac soldiers. [maker's name]

stév'edóre, n. Man employed in loading & unloading ships. [f. Sp. *estivador* (*estivar* f. L. *stipare* pack tight, -TOR)]

stew¹, n. (arch.). Brothel (usu. the ~s). [earlier sense (cf. BAGNIO) bath room or house, f. OF *estue* f. med. L *stupa*(a) etym. dub.; prob. cogn. w. E STOVE, G *stube* room]

stew², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cook (t. & i.) by long simmering in closed vessel with little liquid (let person, thing, ~ in his etc. own juice or grease, abstain from helping etc.); ~ING¹ pears etc., fit for eating ~ed, not raw; the tea is ~ed, is bitter or strong with too long soaking); (fig.) be oppressed by close or moist warm atmosphere, (sl.) = SWOT; ~pan, ~pot, shallow saucepan, covered crock, used for ~ing. 2. n. Dish made by ~ing (Irish ~s, of mutton, potato, & onion); (fig., colloq.) in a ~, agitated with perplexity, anxiety, or anger. [n. f. vb, f. prec. in sense *hot bath*]

stew³, n. || Fishpond, tank for keeping fish alive in; artificial oyster-bed. [f. OF *estui* (*estuer* shut up)]

stew'ard, n. 1. Person entrusted with management of another's property, esp. paid manager of great house or estate. 2. Purveyor of provisions etc. for a college, club, guild, ship, etc. 3. Passenger's attendant & waiter on ship. 4. Any of the officials managing a race-meeting, ball, show, etc. 5. || *Lord High St~ of England*, official managing coronation or presiding at trial of a peer; || *Lord St~ of the Household*, high court officer. Hence ~ess¹, ~SHIP, nn. [OE *stigward* (*stig* house etc. cogn. w. STY¹, WARD¹)]

sthen'ic, a. (path.). (Of disease etc.) with morbid increase of vital action esp. of heart & arteries. [Gk *sthenos* strength, -IC]

stich'omýth, stichomýth'ia, (-k-), n. Dialogue in alternate lines of verses as employed in Greek plays. [f. Gk *stikhomúthia* (*stikhos* line, *μῦθος*)]

stick, v.t. & i. (*stuck*), & n. 1. Thrust point of (in) or through (~ the spurs in; ~ bayonet, pin, into or through). 2. Insert pointed thing(s) into, stak, (~ pipe, of butcher, also of mounted sportsman spearing wild pig; will pull out a knife at ~ you; *kipow-cake stuck over or stick with almonds; cushion stick full of pins*). 3. || (*upon* pointed thing, he fixed a point *stick*) or on *stick* (*upheld*) a *stick*, (*high* were *sticks*)

spikes of gateway; arrows ~ in target; work with needle ~ing in it; ~ feather, rose, in cap, buttonhole; ~ pen behind one's ear; ~ up a target, erect it; ~ your cap on; ~ them in your pocket; ~ a few commas in; just ~ it on the table, down anywhere). 4. (With out, up) protrude, (cause to) project, be or make erect, (~ one's head out of window; his hair ~s straight up; ~up collar, not turned down; ~ out one's chest; how his stomach ~s out!; this ~s out amile, sl., is very obvious; stuck-up, conceited, insolently exclusive, prob. f. carriage of head; ~ up to, not humble oneself before, offer resistance to; ~ up for, maintain cause or character of esp. absent person). 5. Fix or become or remain fixed (as) by adhesion of surfaces, (cause to) adhere or cleave, (~ postage-stamp on; this envelope will not ~; if you throw MUD enough, some of it will ~, innocence is not proof against scandal; limpet ~s to rock; ~ to the point, not digress; ~ to business, avoid distractions; the name stuck to him or stuck, was not forgotten; friend that ~eth closer than a brother; can you ~ on a horse?, escape being thrown; some of the money stuck in or to his fingers, was appropriated or embezzled by him; friends should ~ together; ~ to friend, resolve, promise, word, etc., abide by, remain faithful to; || ~ bills, post placards on wall etc., esp. ~ no bills, notice forbidding placarding of wall; ~ to it, persist, not cease trying; ~ in photograph, paste them in book etc.; ~s like a bur, is not to be got rid of; are you going to ~ in or indoors all day?, remain at home; so perh. ~ out for higher price, better terms, etc., refuse to take lower). 6. ~ it out or ~ it (sl.), endure the conditions (could not ~ it any longer). 7. ~ it on (sl.), make high charges, exaggerate in narration. 8. Lose or deprive of power of motion through friction, jamming, suction, difficulty, or other impediment (~ in the mud lit., & fig. be unprogressive; ~ in-the-mud, (adj.) slow, unprogressive, (n.) person of such kind; also sl. Mrs etc. S ~ in-the-mud, Mrs. etc. So-&-so; ~s in my throat, I cannot swallow it lit. or fig.; ~s in one's gizzard, cannot be digested fig.; ~ fast, be hopelessly bogged etc.; is stuck on a sandbank; got up to the fourth form, through some ten lines, & there stuck; ~ at nothing, allow nothing, esp. no scruples, to deter one; || stuck up, sl., completely at a loss; that will ~ him up, puzzle him; ~ up bank, mail-coach, etc., sl., terrorize officials, passengers, etc., in order to rob). 9. Provide (plant) with ~ as support or to climb up. 10. Set (type) in composing ~, whence ~-ruler a. 11. ~ing place, -point, at which screw becomes jammed (usu. fig. w. ref. to screw). 1. vii. 30): ~ing place, ~ing place for wounds etc.;

|| ~jaw (sl.), toffy etc. hard to masticate. 12. n. Shoot of tree cut to convenient length for use as walking-cane or bludgeon, staff, wand, rod, piece of wood whether as part of something or separate more or less resembling these in shape & size, (cut a ~ from the hedge; cannot walk without a ~; gathering ~s to ~ a fire, twigs; any ~ to beat a dog, hatred makes unscrupulous; BROOM, DRUM¹, FIDDLE, GOLD, rocket, SINGLE¹, SWORD, umbrella, ~; riding on broom~, witch's way of transporting herself through air; house was pulled down & not a ~ left; riding; a few ~s of furniture, chairs etc. of simple kind; wants the ~, should be caned; as CROSS² as, DEVIL¹ on, two ~s; in a cleft ~, see CLEFT¹; CUT² one's ~; (Naut., joc.) mast or spar; (Mus.) conductor's baton; (fig.) person of no vigour or intelligence or social qualities. 13. Slender more or less cylindrical piece of sugar-candy, sealing-wax, shaving-soap, etc. 14. (Short, with aid of context, for) fiddle~, drum~, composing~, etc. 15. Number (of bombs) released in rapid succession from aircraft, cf. SALVO². 16. ~-insect, = WALKING ~ insect. [vb a mixture of ME stikien (OE stician) & ME steken; cogn. W. Gk stiaō prick, L instigare INSTIGATE, Skr. tigmd sharp; n., OE sticca (stician), orig. = peg] stick'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: pig~, long-bladed sharp-pointed knife; BILL⁴ ~; batsman who scores slowly & is hard to get out; person who stays too long on visit; *adhesive label; (Organ-build.) wooden rod transmitting motion between ends of two reciprocating levers. [~ER¹]

stic'kleback (-klb-), n. Small fish with sharp spines on back. [OE sticel a prickle, sting, f. stician STICK, -LE(1), BACK¹]

stick'ler, n. ~ for, person who insists on or pertinaciously supports or advocates (is a great, am no, ~ for authority, precision, etc.). [f. obs. stickle be umpire, prob. f. ME stighlen arrange f. OE stithian make, found, cf. MDu. stichien, G stifen; ~ER¹]

stick'ly, a. Tending to stick to what is touched, glutinous, viscous; unbending, critical, making or likely to make objections (he was very ~y about giving me leave); (sl.) highly unpleasant & painful (he'll come to a ~y end); ~y-back, small photograph with gummed back. Hence ~ily² adv., ~INNESS n. [-Y²]

stiff, a. & n. 1. Rigid, not flexible, unbending, unyielding, uncompromising, obstinate, (~ shirt-front; lies ~ in death; has a ~ leg, incapable of bending at knee; ~ necked, stubborn; keep a ~ upper lip, show firmness of character; ~ ship, heeling little under sail, not crank; ~ market, with prices remaining firm; met the charge with a ~ denial). 2. Lacking ease or grace, or:

constrained, reserved, haughty, formal, (~ manners; a ~ reception, bow, etc.; ~ movement, attitude, etc.; writes in a ~ style). 3. Not working freely, sticking, offering resistance, (a ~ hinge, piston, etc.; ~ un, veteran athlete etc., (sl.) corpse; ~ neck, rheumatic affection in which patient cannot turn head without pain); (of muscle, limb, etc., or person in regard to them) aching when used as result of previous exertion. 4. Hard to cope with, calling for strength or capacity of some kind, trying, (~ examination, climb, slope, breeze; a ~ price, high; a ~ glass of rum, strong; a ~ subject, requiring application to master it). 5. (Of moist clay, batter, etc.) thick & viscous, not fluid, in or approaching plastic state. 6. (colloq.). (In pred. use) to the point of exhaustion, almost to death, as bore, scare, ~. 7. ~ bit, horse's bit made of unjointed bar with rings at ends; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n., ~ISH¹ (2) a., ~EN² v.t. & i., ~ENER¹ (2), ~ENING¹ (1,4), nn. 8. n. (sl.). Negotiable paper; corpse; hopeless or incorrigible person. [OE *stif*, cf. Du. *stijf*, G. *stief*; cogn. w. L. *stipes* stem, *stipare* pack]

stifle¹, v.t. & i. = *SMOTHER* vb. Hence (preferred) to corresp. wds *smother* *stifling²* a., *stiflingly²* adv. [earlier *stuff(ly)*, perh. f. OF *estouffer*, -LE(3)]

stifle², n. (Also ~joint) joint of horse's hind leg between hip & hock; disease of ~joint or ~bone, whence *stiflen²* (-ld) a.; ~bone, bone of ~joint, horse's kneecap; ~shoe, kind with which ~d horse is shod on sound leg to make it use & so strengthen the weak one. [?]

stig¹ma, n. (pl. ~s, & ~ta as specified below). 1. (arch.). Mark branded on slave, criminal, etc. 2. Imputation attaching to person's reputation; stain on one's good name. 3. (Path.) definite characteristic of some disease; (Anat., Zool.) spot, pore, small natural mark on skin etc., small red spot on person's skin (pl. ~ta) that bleeds periodically or under mental stimulus; (Bot.) part of style or ovary-surface that receives pollen in impregnation, so *stigmatio*, ~tosis¹, aa. 4. (Ecol.; pl. ~ta; usu. in pl.) mark(s) corresponding to those left by the nails & spear at the Crucifixion developed by St Francis of Assisi & others (whence ~tist n.) & attributed to divine favour. [L f. Gk. genit. -atos (*stizō* prick, brand, -X)]

stig²matize, v.t. Use opprobrious terms of, describe opprobriously as, (*shall not ~e him as he deserves; ~s him, it, as a coward, cowardize*); produce stigmata on (person) by hypnotic suggestion etc. Hence ~ATISM n. [f. med. L f. Gk. *stigmatizō* (prec., -IZO)]

stikka¹ (*stik¹*), n. Game resembling both squash rackets & lawn tennis played in court surrounded by 9 ft walls, with central net. [prob. f. term. of Spanish-

fike, original (1873) name of lawn tennis] **stile¹**, n. Steps or some provision other than gate enabling passengers to get over or through fence or wall but excluding cattle etc. (*help lame dog¹ over ~*). [OE *stigel* f. *stigan* climb, cf. G. *steigen*, -LE(1)] **stile²**, n. Vertical piece (of. RAIL) in frame of panelled door, wainscot, etc. [?]

stillett¹, n. (pl. ~s, ~es), & v.t. 1. Small dagger (vb, stab with ~). 2. Pointed implement for making eyelets etc. [It., dim. of *stilo* f. L. *stilus* STYLE¹, -ET¹]

still¹, a., n., v.t. & i., & adv. 1. Without or almost without motion or sound or both (*stand, sit, lie, keep, ~, motionless; a ~ lake, unruffled; ~ WATER² run deep; ~ as the grave; a ~ evening; how ~ everything is!; in ~ meditation; ~ small voice*, that of conscience, w. ref. to 1 Kings xix. 12; *all sounds are ~, hushed; ~ life in painting*, representation of inanimate things such as fruit & furniture; ~ hock etc., not sparkling; ~ birth, delivery of dead child, so ~born); ~bugle, naval call requiring crew to remain motionless till next call; ~fish v.l., fish from anchored boat; hence ~²Y¹ (-l-l) [-LY²] adv. (rare), ~NESS n. 2. n. Deep silence (*in the ~ of night*); an ordinary photograph, as distinct from a motion picture. 3. vb. Quiet, calm, appease, assuage, silence; (rare) grow calm (*when the tempest ~s*). 4. adv. || Constantly, habitually, (arch.); then or now or for the future as before, even to this or that past or present or future time; nevertheless, for all that, on the other hand, all the same; (with compar.) even, yet. [OE *stille* adj. & adv., *stillan* vb, cf. Du. *stille* (n), G. *still(en)*]

still², n., & v.t. 1. Distilling-apparatus, esp. for making spirituous liquors, consisting essentially of a boiler & a condensing chamber, the vapour from the former passing into a spiral tube or worm surrounded by cold water or other refrigerating matter that fills the latter & issuing in drops as it condenses; || ~room, room for distilling, housekeeper's store-room in large house. 2. v.t. Distil (post.); make (spirit) in ~. [vb in 2nd sense f. n.; n. f. vb in first sense, partly short for DISTILL, partly f. L. *stillare* drip]

still³age, n. Bench, frame, etc., for keeping articles off floor while draining, waiting to be packed, etc. [prob. f. Du. *stellagie* (*stellen* to place, -AGE)]

still⁴ing, **still⁵ion** (-yon), n. Support for cask. [perh. f. Du. *stelling* scaffold (as prec., -ING¹)]

stilly¹. See **STILL¹**.

still²y¹, a. (post.). Still, quiet. [STILL¹, -LY¹]

stilt, n. Pole with rest for foot generally in pairs with upper part of leg bound to leg or held with hand; i. use from ground (on ~s lift, &

bombastic, stilted); (also ~-bird or ~-plover or ~-walker) long-legged bird resembling plover in having three-toed feet; ~-petrel, ~-sandpiper, long-legged kinds. [cf. Sw. *stylda*, Du. *stelt*, G. *steele*]

stilt'ed, a. (As) on stilts; (of literary style etc.) pompous, bombastic, whence ~-ly² adv., ~-ness n.; (of arch) with pieces of upright masonry between impostes & feet of the true arch. [-ED¹]

Stil'ton, n. Superior kind of cheese named from ~ in Huntingdonshire.

stilus. See **STYLUS**.

stim'ulant, a. & n. 1. Stimulating (rare in gen. sense); (Med.) producing rapid transient increase of vital energy in organism or some part of it. 2. n. ~ agent or substance, as warmth, electricity, joy, etc., or exciting drug or article of food esp. alcoholic drink; *never takes ~s*, usu. = drinks no alcohol. [f. L as foll., -ANT]

stim'ulāte, v.t. Apply stimulus to, act as stimulus upon, animate, spur on, excite to (more vigorous) action. Hence or cogn. ~āting, ~ATIVE, aa., ~A'TION, ~ātor, nn. [L *stimulare* (foll.), -ATE¹]

stim'ulus, n. (pl. ~i). 1. Thing that rouses to activity or energy (so *lethargic that no ~us affects him*); rousing effect (*under the ~us of hunger*). 2. (Physiol.) thing that evokes functional reaction in tissues; (Bot.) sting, whence ~-ose¹ a. 3. (Ecol.) point at end of crozier, pastoral staff, etc. [L. = goad]

stim'y, n., & v.t. (Var. of) **STYMIE**.

sting, v.t. & i. (*stung*), & n. 1. Wound with ~ (*a bee, nettle, stung him, his finger*); affect with acute physical or mental pain (*pepper ~s one's tongue; the cane, his bad-handled, the blow, his conscience, the imputation, stung him; stung by reproaches, with envy or desire; a ~ing insult*), whence ~ingly¹ adv.; (of part of one's body) feel acute pain or communicate it to sensorium (*my hand, tooth, ~s*); be able to ~, have a ~ (*some bees do not ~; ~ing-nettle*, opp. *DEAD-nettle*); (sl.) involve in expense, (usu. pass.) be caught, swindled, involved in expense (*he was stung for a fever*). 2. n. Sharp-pointed weapon often tubular & connected with poison-gland in some insects & other animals (in tail as with bee, in head as with gnat, in claws as with centipede; also of snake's poison-fang) & plants (projecting as hair from surface as in nettle); infliction of wound with ~, wound so made, pain caused by it, wounding quality or effect, rankling or acute pain of body or mind, keenness or vigour, (*was hurt by a ~; face covered with ~s; the ~ of hunger, ~s of remorse; a jest with a ~ in it; this air, bowing, has no ~ in it, is relaxing, feeble*). 3. ~-bull or ~-fish, kind of weevil; ~-nettle, ~ing-nettle; ~-ray, kind of fish with flexible tail having sharp serrated projecting spine used as weapon; ~-winkle, beaked shell-

fish that bores holes in other shellfish; hence ~-less a. [OE *stingan*, cf. Da. *stinge*, Sw. & ON *stinga*]

sting'aree (-ngg-), n. = STING-ray. [corrupt.]

sting'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., smart painful blow. [-ER¹]

sting'o (-ngg-), n. (arch.). Strong beer. [STING, w. ref. to pungency, with fancy ending]

stin'gly (-ji), a. Meanly parsimonious, niggardly. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [spec. sense & pronunc. of obs. *stingy* (-ngi) nipping (of wind etc.) f. STING, -y¹]

stink, v.i. & t. (*stank* or *stunk*, *stunk*), & n. 1. (Have or emit) strong offensive smell (~ in *NOSTRILS* of; ~ one out, drive him from room etc. by ~), whence ~ingly² adv.; (sl.) ~ of money, be notoriously rich; (sl.) perceive ~ of (*can ~ it a mile off*); || (n. pl., sl.) chemistry, natural science, as subject of study; (part., sl.) objectionable in any way, that one dislikes; (part., as distinctive epithet of animals or plants) having recognizable & usu. disagreeable smell (~ing *camomile*; ~ing *cedar* or *yew*, *savin* & allied trees; ~ing *crane's-bill*, *hellebore*, *horehound*, *nightshade*, etc.; ~ing *weed* or *wood*, kind of cassia; ~ing *badger*, teledu). 2. ~-alive, the fish bib (from rapid putrefaction after death); ~-ball, vessel containing explosives etc. generating noxious vapours used formerly in naval warfare & still by Eastern pirates; ~-bomb (emitting nauseating smell on exploding); ~-horn, kinds of ill-smelling fungus; ~-pot, any receptacle containing something that ~s, also = ~-bull, also as abusive term for person or thing; ~-stone, kind of limestone giving off fetid smell when quarried; ~-trap, appliance to prevent escape of effluvia from drains when opened. [OE *stincan*, cf. Du. & G *stinken*; cogn. w. STENCH]

stink'ard, n. Stinking person or animal, esp. the teledu. [-ARD]

stink'er, n. Stinkard, stinkpot; kinds of large petrel; (sl.) anything peculiarly offensive, irritating, or rousing (esp. of a letter, as *I wrote him a ~*). [-ER¹]

stint, v.t., & n. 1. Cease doing or to do (arch.); keep on short allowance (~ one-self or person or animal in food etc.); supply or give in niggardly amount or grudgingly (~ food, money, service, etc.); hence ~ingly² adv. 2. n. Limitation of supply or effort (usu. *without*, *no*, ~; *laboured without ~*, without sparing effort), whence ~less a. 3. Fixed or allotted amount of or of work (do one's daily ~); area of coal-face to be worked in a shift. 4. Kinds of small sandpiper, esp. dunlin. [OE *stintan* (short of wit, dull, cf. ON *stuttr* short)]

stip'ate, a. (bot.). Crowded, close-set; [L *stipare* pack, -are¹].

stipe, **stip'és** (-z), *n.* (bot., zool.). Stalk or stem (in Bot. esp. support of carpel, stalk of frond, stem of fungus). Hence **stip'iform**, **stip'itars**², **stip'itiform**, *aa.* [*stipe* *F.*, *f. L.* *stipes* -itis stem]

stip'el, *n.* (bot.). Secondary stipule at base of leaflets of compound leaf. Hence ~**LATE**¹ *a.* [*f. F.* *stipelle* (prec., -EL)]

stip'end, *n.* Fixed periodical money allowance for work done, salary, esp. clergyman's official income. [*f. OF* *stipende* *f. L.* *stipendium* (for *stipit*-) *f. stipem* alms etc. in small coin, *pendere* pay]

stip'en'diary, *a.* & *n.* (Person) receiving stipend, paid, not serving gratuitously; || ~ (*magistrate*), paid police magistrate in large towns appointed by Home Secretary. [*f. L.* *stipendiarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

stipes. See **STIPE**.

stip'p|e, *v.t.* & *i.*, & *n.* 1. Engrave (plate, thing portrayed), paint or draw, in dots, not lines; use this method; hence ~**ER**¹ (1, 2), ~**ING**¹, *nn.* 2. *n.* Dotted work; ~*e-graver*, engraver's ~ing-tool. [*f. Du.* *stippelen* (*stippen* to prick, *f. stip* point)]

stip'ül'äte¹, *v.i.* & *t.* ~*ate* for, mention or insist upon as essential part of agreement; demand as part of bargain or agreement *that*; (p.p.) laid down as part of the terms of an agreement (*is not of the ~ated quality*). So ~**ä'tion**¹ [-**ATION**], ~**ä'tor**¹, *nn.* [*L.* *stipulari* (OL *stipulus* firm, cogn. w. **STIPES**) bargain, -**ATE**¹]

stip'ülle, *n.* Small leaflike appendage to leaf usu. at base of leaf-stem. Hence ~**A'CEOUS** (-äshus), ~**AR**¹, ~**ARY**¹, ~**ate**¹ [-**ATE**¹], ~**IFORM**, *aa.*, ~**ä'tion**¹ [-**ATION**] *n.* [*F.* (**STIPE**, -**ULE**)]

stif¹, *v.t.* & *i.* (-**rr**-), & *n.* 1. Set, keep, or (begin to) be, in motion (*not a breath ~s the lake, leaves; sit without ~ring a foot etc. or ~ring; if you ~, I shoot; never ~red abroad or out of the house, went out; is not ~ring yet, is still in bed; ~ the fire, use poker; ~ your stumps, colloq., make haste, walk etc. faster; ~ tea, porridge, soup, etc., move spoon etc. round & round in to mix ingredients, keep from burning in pot, etc.; there is no news ~ring, going about; lead ~ring life, be busy; ~ up, mix well by ~ring; ~ up the mud, sediment, etc., make it rise from bottom of liquid by ~ring*); rouse (*up*), excite, animate, inspirit, (~ *up strife, mutiny, discontent, curiosity; person wants ~ring up, is indolent or torpid; ~ one's blood, excite him to enthusiasm, desire, etc.; ~ one's wrath, bile, etc., enrage, disgust, etc.; ~ring events, times, music, etc., exciting, stimulating; a ~ring speech, picture, tale*), whence ~**ringly**¹ *adv.*; ~*about*, (*n.*) porridge, (*adj.*) bustling; hence ~**RR**¹ (1, 2) *n.* 2. *n.* Commotion, bustle, disturbance, excitement, sensation, (*full of ~ & movement; person, event, makes a great ~, is much discussed etc.*); slightest movement (*not a ~*), whence

~**LESS** *a.*; act of ~ring (*give the fire a ~*). [*OE* *styrjan*, cf. Norw. *styrja*; perh. cogn. w. *Du.* *storen*, *G.* *stören*, disturb, & w. **STORM**]

stifk¹, *n.* (sl.). Prison. [{}]

stifk¹, *n.* (Sc. & dial.). Yearling bullock or heifer. [*OE* *stirc*]

stifp'iculture, *n.* Breeding of special stocks or strains. [{}], ~**-, CULTURE**]

stifps, *n.* (Law) progenitor of family; (Zool.) classificatory group. [*L.* = stock]

stif'rup, *n.* Rider's foot-rest usu. consisting of iron loop with flattened base hung by a strap or ~*leather* from ~*bar*, iron attachment let into saddle; ~ & ~*leather* as a whole; (Naut.) rope with eye giving hold in reefing; ~*bone*, small bone, ~shaped in man, in mammal's ear; ~*cup*, of wine etc. presented to person mounted for departure; ~*iron*, ~*with-out* ~*leather*; ~*piece* in carpentry etc., hanging support; ~*pump* (with foot-rest & nozzle for producing either jet or spray of water, used for extinguishing small fires). [*OE* *stirap* (*stigan* climb, cf. **STILE**, **ROPE**)]

stitch, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Acute internal pain in the side such as often results from running etc. soon after eating. 2. Single pass of needle in sewing (*a ~ in time save's nine*); result of it or of single complete movement in knitting, crochet, embroidery, etc. (*if one ~ gives the rest will; what long ~es!; has not a dry ~ on him, is wet through; drop a ~ in knitting, let loop fall off needle-end spoiling the continuity; put a ~ or ~es in in surgery, sew up wound with gut, silk, wire, etc.*); method followed in making ~*es* or kind of work produced (*am learning a new ~; LOOK*², *buttonhole*, *HERRING-bone*, etc., ~, *CROSS-STITCH*). 3. ~*wheel*, harness-maker's notched wheel for pricking leather in places where ~*es* are to go; ~*wort*, kinds of chickweed, esp. one with erect stem & white star flowers (named as cure for ~ in side). 4. *vb.* Sew (*t.* & *i.*); ~ *up*, usu. mend by sewing; ~*ing-horse*, harness-maker's clamp for holding work). [*vb f. n.*, *OE* *stice* pricking (*stician* pierce), cf. *G.* *stich*, *sticken* *vb*]

stith'y (-**dhl**), *n.* (arch. & poet.). Smith's shop, forge. [*f. ON* *stetli* (Teut. *sta-stand*)]

stiv'er, *n.* Even the smallest coin (*usu. don't care, has not, a ~*). [*f. Du.* *stiver* small obsolete coin]

stö'a, *n.* (pl. -*as*). Portico in ancient-Greek architecture (*the ~, the PORCH, see STOIC*). [{}]

stoat¹, *n.* The ermine, esp. in its summer coat (also as general name for ermine & allied kinds, weasel, ferret, etc.). [*f.* 15th c., *stym* dub.]

stpat¹, *v.t.* Sew up (tear, cloth edges) with invisible stitches. [{}]

stöck, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. Stump, butt, main

trunk, plant into which graft is inserted, body-piece serving as base or holder or handle for working parts of implement or machine, (source of) family or breed, raw material of manufacture, store ready for drawing on, equipment for trade or pursuit, (*they nest in the ~s of trees*, arch. use; ~s & stones, inanimate things, lethargic persons; *laughing, gazing*, etc., ~, butt for ridicule etc.; *must be grafted on a sound ~*; ~ of rifle, plane, plough, main part, usu. of wood, into which barrel, blade, share, etc., are fastened; ~ of bit, brace; ~ of anvil, base it rests on; ~ of anchor, cross-bar; lock, ~, & barrel, fig., completely, root & branch; *comes of a good, Puritan, treacherous*, etc., ~, family of distinct character; *polyg* etc. ~ in Zool., aggregate organism; *paper* etc. ~, rags etc. from which paper etc. is made; *soup* ~ or usu. ~, liquor made by stewing bones etc. as basis for any sort of soup; *has a great ~ of information, hardware*; *ROLL'ing ~*; *take over a farm with the ~*, its animals, also live ~, & implements, also dead ~; *fat ~*, ~ fit for slaughter as food; ~in-trade, all requisites for a trade, also fig., as *the politician's ~in-trade of a dozen catchwords*; *renew one's ~*; *lay in a ~ of*; *have in ~*, have ready without need of procuring specially; *take ~*, review one's ~ for accurate knowledge of what one has in ~; so ~taking n.; *take ~ of*, fig., observe with a view to estimating character etc. of; ~argument, comparison, remark, joke, etc., one that requires no fresh thought but is always at hand & perpetually repeated whether by individual or by people in general). 2. Kinds (*common or ten-weeks, Virginia*, etc., ~) of fragrant-flowered usu. hoary-leaved garden plant (orig. ~gilliflowers, named as having stronger stem than clove-gilliflowers or pink). 3. pl. (hist.). Timber frame with holes for feet & occas. hands in which petty offenders were confined in sitting position. 4. pl. Timbers on which ship rests while building (*on the ~s*, in construction or preparation, often trans.). 5. Stiff wide band of leather or other material formerly worn round neck, now displaced in general use by collar & tie, but surviving in some military uniforms & occas. revived in modified forms by fashion. 6. || (Finance) money lent to a government & involving payment of fixed interest to lenders or whomsoever their rights have passed to by purchase etc. (*buy, hold, ~*, the right to receive such interest on some amount of ~; || *the ~s*, State's funded debts as a whole; *has money, £50,000, in the ~s*; *take ~ in*, fig., concern oneself with); capital of corporation or company contributed by individuals for prosecution of some undertaking & divided into (esp. \$100) holders to proportion of

profits (also *JOINT* ~; *bank, railway*, etc., ~; *PREFERENCE* or *preferred ~*; ~ *certificate*; *WATER* ~). 7. Best quality clamped burnt brick (also of certain kiln-burnt bricks, as *malm* ~). 8. || ~account, -book, showing amount of goods laid in & amount disposed of; || ~breeder, raiser of live ~; ~broker, ~broking, (person engaged in) buying & selling for clients on commission of ~s held by ~jobbers; ~car, cattle-truck; ~company, one semi-permanently engaged at a particular theatre; ~dove, European wild pigeon smaller & darker than rockdove [perh. from breeding in ~s of trees]; ~exchange, place where ~s & shares are publicly bought & sold, || esp. *the S~ Exchange*, (building in London occupied by) association of dealers in ~s conducting business according to fixed rules (is on the *S~ Exchange*, a member of this association); ~farm(er), that breeds live ~; ~fish, cod & similar fish split & dried in sun without salt; ~gang, gang of saws in frame cutting log into boards at one passage; ~jobber, ~jobbing, ~jobbery, || (person engaged in) speculating in ~s with view of profiting by fluctuations in price, cf. ~broker; ~list, daily or periodical ~exchange publication giving current prices of ~s etc.; ~lock (enclosed in wooden case, usu. on outer door); ~man (Austral.), man in charge of live ~; ~market, ~exchange or transactions on it; || ~out, the great eagle owl; ~pol, for making or keeping soup ~; ~rider (Austral.), herdsman on unfenced station; ~still, motionless; ~whip, with short handle & long lash for herding cattle; ~yard, enclosure with pens etc. for sorting or temporary keeping of cattle; hence ~LESS a. (esp. of gun, anchor, etc.). 9. vb. Fit (gun etc.) with ~. 10. (hist.). Confine in the ~s. 11. Provide (shop, farm, etc.) with goods or live ~ or requisites (*a well-~ed larder, library*, etc.); keep (goods) in ~ (*we do not ~ the out sizes*). 12. Fill or cover (land) with permanent growth esp. of pasture-grass; (of plant) = TILLER². [OE *stocce*, cf. Du. *stok*, G *stock*]

stockade, 'n., & v.t. (Fortify with) breast-work or enclosure of upright stakes. [f. F *estacade* f. Sp. *estacada* f. *estaca* f. Teut., see STAKE, -ADM(1), w. assim. to prec.]

Stöck'holm tår (-höm), n. Kind of tar prepared from resinous pinewood, used esp. in shipbuilding. [*Stockholm* in Sweden]

stöck'inét, n. Elastic knitted material used esp. for underclothing. [foll., -ET²; or corrupt. of older *stocking-net*]

stöck'ing, n. Tight covering usu. knitted or woven of wool or cotton or silk or nylon for foot & leg up to or slightly above knee (usu. in pl., esp. *pair of ~s*; *is or stands six feet in his ~s* or ~feet, when measured without his shoes; *elastic ~*,

surgical appliance of elastic webbing like ~ or part of it worn for varicose veins, strained muscles, etc.; *white* etc. ~ in horse etc., lower part of leg differently coloured from rest; ~ *frame*, *loom*, *machine*, knitting-machine. Hence ~ *LESS* a. [STOCK, -ING³; formerly also *stock(s)* short for *neither-stock(s)* opp. *upper-stock(s)*=knee-breeches, *stock* having sense *docked part* (of the original hose or single garment for abdomen & legs)]

stock'ist, n. One who stocks (certain) goods for sale. [-IST (3)]

stöck'jy, || **stügg'jy** (-g-; colloq.), a. Thickset, short & strongly built, (of person; also in Bot. & Zool.). Hence ~ *ily*² adv. ~ *iness* n. [-Y²]

stödge, n., & v.i. & t. (school sl.). 1. Food esp. of heavy kind; full meal, feast; greedy eater. 2. vb. Eat greedily. [perh. imit.]

stödg'jy, a. (Of food) heavy, filling, indigestible; (of receptacle) packed, bulging; (of book, style, etc.) over-full of facts or details, wanting in lightness or interest. Hence ~ *iness* n. [-Y²]

stoep (-öop), n. (S.-Afr.). Terraced veranda in front of house. [Dn., cogn. w. STEP]

***stögy**, -gie, (-gi), n. Kind of heavy boot or shoe; long roughly-made cigar. [orig. *stoga*, short for *Conestoga* (Penn.)]

stö'ic, n. Philosopher of the school founded at Athens c. 308 B.C. by Zeno making virtue the highest good, concentrating attention on ethics, & inculcating control of the passions & indifference to pleasure & pain (S~: often attrib., as S~ *philosopher*, *doctrines*, *indifference*); person of great self-control or fortitude or austerity, whence ~ *al* a., ~ *alx*² adv. Hence S~ *ism* (2, 3), ~ *ism*, n. [f. L f. Gk *stöikos* (*stoa* porch, w. ref. to Zeno's teaching in *Stoa Poecile* Painted Porch at Athens, -ic)]

stöke, v.t. & i. 1. Feed & tend (furnace), feed furnace of (engine etc.), act as stoker; (fig.; colloq.) take food esp. in hurried way; ~ *hole*, ~ *hold*, compartment in which steamer's fires are worked. [back form. f. foll.]

stök'er, n. Man who tends furnace esp. that of steamer or steam-engine (*mechanical* ~, automatic feeder for furnace). [Du. (*stoken* *stoke*)]

stölē¹, n. (Rom. Ant.; also L *stola* pl. -ae) outer dress of ancient-Roman matron; ecclesiastical vestment, a strip of silk or other material hanging from back of neck over shoulders & down to knees (worn by deacon over left shoulder only); woman's wrap similarly worn; || *groom of the* ~ [orig. *stoolē*, i.e. king's close-stool], first LORD of the Bed-chamber. Hence (-) **stölēm**² (-ld) a. [f. L f. Gk *stölē* robe (*stölē* array)]

stölē³, = **STOLON**, -

stölē⁴, **stölēm**. (See **STAL**.)

stöl'id, a. Phlegmatic, unemotional, lacking animation, not easily agitated, hard to stir, obstinate, apparently stupid. Hence or cogn. **stöl'id'ity** n., ~ *ly*² adv. [f. L *stolidus*]

stöl'ön, **stölē**, n. Reclined or prostrate branch that strikes root & develops new plant; underground shoot of mosses developing leaves; (Zool.) rootlike creeping growth. Hence **stöl'onate**², **stölönir**² *erous*, aa. [f. L *stolo* -onis]

sto'mach (-ümak), n., & v.t. 1. Internal cavity in which chief part of digestion is carried on, being in man a pear-shaped enlargement of the alimentary canal extending from end of gullet to beginning of gut (*coat of the* ~, its mucous inmost lining; *coats of the* ~, the peritoneum or serous coat, the muscular, submucous, & mucous layers); (in some animals, esp. ruminants), one of several digestive cavities either of similar character or differing in action or function (*ruminant's* ~s, first ~ or paunch or rumen, second ~ or honeycomb or reticulum, third ~ or psalterium or omasum, fourth or true ~ or reed or abomasum; *muscular* ~, acting by grinding or squeezing, as the gizzard; *glandular* ~, acting esp. by gastric juices); (loosely) belly, abdomen, lower front of body, (*pit of the* ~, depression below bottom of breastbone, the wind or mark; *what a* ~ *he has got!*, corporation). 2. Appetite for or for food (STAY¹ one's ~). 3. Taste or readiness or sufficient spirit for (or arch. to) controversy, conflict, danger, or an undertaking (*had no* ~ *for the fight*), *proud* or *high* ~, haughtiness. 4. ~ *ache*, pain in belly, esp. in bowels; ~ *cough*, caused by irritation of ~ or small intestine; ~ *pump*, kind of syringe for emptying ~ or forcing liquid into it; ~ *stagers*, apoplexy in horses due to paralysis of ~; ~ *tooth*, lower canine milk-tooth in infants, cutting of which often disorders ~; ~ *tube*, for introducing through gullet into ~ to wash it out or empty it by siphon action; hence ~ *al*, ~ *less*, aa., ~ *ful* (2) n. 5. v.t. Eat with relish or toleration, find sufficiently palatable to swallow or keep down, (fig.) pocket or put up with (affront etc.), (usu. w. neg., as *cannot* ~ it). [ME *stomak* f. F *estomac* f. L f. Gk *stomachos* gullet, dim. of *stoma* mouth]

sto'macher (-ümach-), n. (hist.). Front-piece of 15th-17th-c. female dress covering breast & pit of stomach, ending downwards in point often lapping over skirt, & often set with gems or richly embroidered. [f. AF or OF *estomachier* (prec.), whence the pronounc.]

stomäch'ic (-ik-), a. & n. 1. Of the stomach; aiding ~ action, promoting digestion or appetite. 2. n. ~ *draught* or *drug*, *histam* etc. [f. L f. Gk *stomachikos* (STOMACH, -ic)]

stomatit'is, n. Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the mouth. [as foll. + -ITIS]

stómato-, comb. form of Gk *stoma-atos* mouth, as *~gas'tric*, of mouth & stomach.

stōne, n., a., & v.t. 1. Piece of rock of any shape usu. detached from earth's crust & of no great size, esp. a pebble, a cobble, or a single piece used or usable in building or roadmaking or as missile (STOCKS & ~s; built of great ~s; as hard as a ~; ROLL'ing ~; ROCK'ing ~; SERMONS in ~s; ~s will cry out, wrong is great enough to move inanimate things; give a ~ for bread, offer a mockery of help; mark with a white ~, record as a joyful day, w. ref. to ancient-Roman use of chalk; meteoric ~, meteorite; leave no ~ unturned, try every possible means, often to do; break ~s, get living by preparing road metal, as phr. for being reduced to extremities; cast, throw, ~s or a ~ at, lit., & = make aspersions on character etc. of; those who live in glass houses should not throw ~s, aspersion provokes retort; shower of ~s, thrown, or rolling down hill etc.; kill two birds with one ~; ~s cast or throw, distance ~ can be thrown). 2. (Usu. precious ~) a gem (no ~ in it worth less than £100; Bristol ~, Bristol diamond; CAIRNGORM ~). 3. ~s or rock as a substance or material (often with defining pref., as SAND, LIME ~, ~; Bath, Caen, Portland, ~, kinds of building ~; built of ~; ~ buildings etc.; ~ jar etc., of ~ware; ~ JUG ~; HOLYSTONE; artificial ~, kinds of concrete; Cornish ~, kaolin; has a heart of ~, is hard-hearted; harden into ~, petrify lit. or fig.; the ~ age, stage of civilization at which implements & weapons were of ~, not metal; PHILOSOPHERS' ~). 4. Piece of ~ of definite & designed shape (often with purpose specified by word in comb., or easily supplied from context; GRIND, GRAVE ~, HEARTS, MILL ~, WHEAT, ~; Moabite, Rosetta, ~, stelae with historically important inscriptions). 5. Thing resembling ~ in hardness or pebble in shape, e.g. calculus (as single concretion or as the malady), hard case of kernel in drupe or ~fruit, seed of grape, testicle, pellet of hail, (GAIL ~; underwent an operation for ~ or the ~, remove the ~s from plums, grapes, etc.; hail-storm with ~s as big as marbles). 6. || Weight of 14 lb. or of other amounts varying with the commodity (rides 18 ~, weighs that in the saddle; give a ~ & a beating to, orig. Racing sl., surpass easily; ~ of meat or fish 8 lb., ~ of cheese 16 lb., etc.). 7. ~-aze, with two obtuse edges for hewing ~; ~-blind (quite); ~-blue, compound of indigo with starch or whitening; ~-boiling, primitive method of boiling by putting heated ~s in; ~-brier, kinds of molluscs; ~-bush, ~-strange; ~-buck, steenbok; ~-kind of akum; ~-cut, = ~s cut

above; ~CHAT ~; ~coal, anthracite; ~cold (quite); ~crop, kinds of low creeping plant growing esp. on walls & rocks; ~curlew, thick-knee or thick-kneed plover; ~dead, ~deaf, (quite); ~eater, = ~borer; ~fence (sl.), whiskey & cider, or similar mixed drink; ~fern, ceterach; ~fly, insect with aquatic larvae found under ~s, used as bait for trout; ~fruit, with seeds enclosed in hard shell surrounded by pulp, drupe, e.g. plum, peach, cherry; ~gall, round mass of clay in variegated sand; ~horse (arch.), stallion; ~man, cairn; ~marlen, = BEECH marlen; ~mason, dresser of or builder in ~; ~parsley, a hedge plant; ~pine, S. Ital. kind with branches at top spreading like umbrella; ~pit, quarry; ~pitch, insipidated pitch; ~plover, large kind called also thick-knee & ~curlew; ~rare (of runners who must pick up ~s laid at intervals); || ~rag, kind of lichen; ~rue, kind of fern; ~saw, untoothed iron blade stretched in saw-frame for cutting ~ with aid of sand; ~weed, gromwell; ~snipe, large N.-Amer. kind; ~wall' v.i. & t., obstruct by ~walling; ~wall'ing, (Cricket) excessively cautious batting, (Politics, esp. Austral.) parliamentary obstruction; ~ware, pottery made from very silicious clay or from composition of clay & flint; ~work, masonry; ~wort, kinds of plant, esp. ~parsley; hence (-)STONED ~ (-nd), ~LESS (-nl-), aa. 8. adj. Made of ~. 9. v.t. Pelt with ~s (~ to death). 10. Free (fruit) from ~s. 11. Face, pave, etc., with ~. [OE *stūn*, cf. Du. *steen*, G *stein*] stōn'j, a. & adv. 1. Full of, covered with, having many, stones; hard, rigid, fixed, as stone (a ~y stare, refusing response or recognition; ~y heart, obdurate or unfeeling heart, also hard core or interior, whence ~y-hearted ~ a.); hence ~ly ~ adv., ~INESS n. 2. adv. Utterly (only in ~y BROKE ~). [-Y ~]

stood. See STAND.

stōge, n., & v.i. (sl.). 1. *Butt, foil, esp. for a comedian; a deputy; person learning to fly. 2. v.i. Move, esp. fly, about, around, etc. [?]

stōk, n., & v.t. (chiefly Sc. & north.). = SHOCK ~. [ME *stouk*, cf. MLG *stake*]

stōl, n., & v.i. 1. Backless seat for one, often consisting of wooden slab on three legs (office ~, high ~ used by clerks etc.; MUSH, CAMP ~, ~; three-legged ~; folding ~, made to fold up; ~ of repentance, orig. that on which fornicators etc. were set to receive rebuke in churches in Scotland, & now transf.; fall between two ~s, fall from vacillation between two courses etc.); low bench for kneeling on; = FOOT ~. 2. (Archit.) window-sill. 3. (Place for) evacuation of bowels, faeces evacuated, (go to ~; CLOSE ~, NIGHT ~, ~). 4. Root or stump of plant from which shoots spring. 5. Piece of wood to which sheep bind ~

attached. 6. *~ball*, old game resembling cricket still played in Sussex esp. by girls; *~pigeon*, pigeon used, person acting, as decoy. 7. v.i. Throw up shoots from root; (arch.) go to *~, evacuate bowels*. [OE *stōl*, cf. Du. *stool*, G *stuhl*; cogn. w. STAND]

stoop¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Bring one's head nearer the ground by bending down from standing position, (fig.) deign or condescend to do, descend or lower oneself to some conduct (*~ to conquer*, gain power or one's end by preliminary self-abasement); carry one's head & shoulders bowed forward, whence *~ingly*² adv.; (of hawk etc., & transf.; arch., poet.) swoop, pounce; incline (head, neck, shoulders, back) forward & down; tilt (cask) forward. 2. n. *~ing* carriage of body; (arch.) swoop of hawk etc. [OE *stūpian*, cf. MDu. *stūpen*, ON *stūpa*; cogn. w. STEEP¹, ²]

stoop², n. = STOUP.

stoop³, n. (U.S., Can.). Uncovered platform in front of house (cf. STOEP). [f. Du. STOEP]

stop¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Stuff up or up, prevent or forbid passage through, make impervious or impassable, close, bar, stifle, stanch, (*~ a leak, hole*, etc.; *~ped pipe* in organ, with upper end plugged, giving note an octave lower; *~ one's ears*, put fingers in to avoid hearing, also fig. refuse to listen; *|| ~ a tooth*, fill cavity in it with *~p'ing*¹ n. of gold, amalgam, cement, etc.; *~ a wound*, stanch its bleeding; *~ one's mouth*, fig., induce him by bribery or other means to keep silence about something; *~ a gap*, serve to meet a temporary need; *~ the way*, be or act as obstruction, prevent progress). 2. Put an end to (motion etc.), completely check progress or motion or operation of, effectively hinder or prevent, (*~ progress* etc.; *~ horse* etc., esp. when running away; *~ ball*, esp. of batsman or field in cricket; *~ thief*!, cry of pursuer; *~ blow*, parry it in boxing; *~ blow with one's head* etc., jock, receive it, esp. *~ a bullet*, (sl.) *~ one*, be shot; *thick walls ~ sound*, render it inaudible; *~ one's breath*, kill him by smothering or otherwise; *~ clock, factory*, etc., make it cease working; *~ person's doing*, person from doing; *shall ~ that nonsense*, not allow it to go on). 3. Cut off, suspend, decline customary giving of or permission for, (*shall ~ your wages, holidays, meetings*; *the cost must be ~ped out of his salary*; *~ payment of a cheque*, direct one's banker not to cash; *~ payment*, declare oneself unable to meet obligations, break financially; *why has our gas, water, been ~ped?*). 4. Obtain desired note from (string of violin etc.) by pressing finger, so shortening vibrating length. 5. Cease, come to an end, cease from doing, discontinue (one's action), cease from motion or speaking or action,

make a halt or pause, (noise, amunity, *~s*; *do not ~, go on, continue*; *~ dead or short, cease abruptly*; *shall ~ playing, subscribing, my visits, my endeavours*; *do ~ grumbling, your complaints, that noise*; *he ~ped in the middle of a sentence*; *my watch has ~ped*; *train does not ~ at, before, Exeter*; *he never ~s to think*). 6. (colloq.). Remain, stay, sojourn, (*shall ~ in bed, at home*; *~ up, not go to bed*; *shall you ~ for the sermon?*; *have been ~ping in Cornwall with friends*). 7. Provide with stops, punctuate, (*a badly spelt & ~ped letter*). 8. (Naut.) make fast, stopper, (cable etc.); (Etching) *~ out*, cover (parts that are to be protected from action of acid) with defensive coating (*~ping-brush*, for doing this); (Photog.) *~ down*, obscure part of (lens) with diaphragm; (Founding) *~ off*, fill in (part of mould not to be used) with sand. Hence *~p'ace*(3) n. [OE (*for*)-*stoppan* f. pop. L *stuppare* STOP(p)a cf. Gk *stuppē* tow]

stop², n. 1. Stopping or being stopped, pause, check, (*put a ~ to*; *make, come to, bring to, a ~*; *is at a ~, not proceeding or unable to proceed*; *train runs from London to Creve without a ~*). 2. Punctuation-mark, esp. comma, semicolon, colon, or period (*full ~, period*; *come to a full ~, transf., cease completely*). 3. (Mus.) change of pitch effected by stopping (see prec.), (in organ) row of pipes of one character brought into action by a *~knob* or small *~key*; (fig.) manner of speech adopted to produce particular effect (*can put on or pull out the pathetic, blustering, virtuous*, etc., *~ at will*). 4. Batten, peg, or the like, meant to stop motion of something at fixed point. 5. (Opt., Photog.) diaphragm; (Phonet.) mute consonant sound made by closure of organs concerned (as k, t, p); (Naut.) small line used as lashing, also projection of lower mast-head supporting trestle-trees. Hence *~LESS* a. [f. prec.]

stop³, comb. form of stop¹, ²: *~cock*, externally-operated valve inserted in pipe to regulate passage of contents; *~collar*, ring checking motion of shaft; *~cylinder*, kind of printing-press; *~drill*, with shoulder limiting depth of penetration; *~gap*, temporary substitute; *~key, ~knob*, see prec. (sense 3); *~order*, order to stockbroker to buy or sell on stock's reaching specified price; *~plate*, limiting play of axle on bearings; *|| ~press*, (news) inserted in paper after printing has begun; *~valve*, closing pipe against passage of liquid; *~volley* (Lawn Tennis), checked volley close to net, dropping ball dead on other side; *~watch*, with mechanism for starting & stopping it at will, used in timing races etc.

stopper, n., & v.t. In vbl senses; esp.: plug for closing bottle etc. usu. of same material as the vessel (*put a ~ on*

something, bring about cessation of it); tobacco~, implement for pressing down tobacco in pipe-bowl; (Naut.) rope, clasp, double claw, etc., for checking & holding rope cable or chain cable; ~ *bolt*, ring-bolt in deck to which ~s are secured; ~ *knot*, finishing of end of ~-rope made by interlacing its strands; (vb) close or secure with ~. [-ER¹]

stōp'ple, n., & v.t. 1. Stopper of bottle or other vessel. 2. v.t. Close with ~. [STOP¹, -LE(1)]

stōr'age, n. Storing of goods, method of doing this (cold ~, in refrigerators etc.); space available for it; cost of warehousing; ~ *battery* (Electr.), apparatus for storing electrical energy in a chemical form. [STORE + AGE]

stōr'ax, n. (Tree yielding) a resinous vanilla-scented balsam formerly much used in medicine & perfumery; *liquid* ~, a balsam got from the Oriental sweetgum tree. [L, f. Gk *stūrax*]

stōre, n., & v.t. 1. Abundance, provision, stock of something ready to be drawn upon, (sing. with or, arch. exc. of intangible things, without a, & pl.; *has* ~, *good* ~, *a* ~, or ~s, of wine, wit, anecdote, wisdom; in ~, laid up in readiness, about to come, destined, as *I have, tomorrow has, a surprise in ~ for you*). 2. Place where things are kept for sale, *ordinary shop (~ *clothes* etc., esp. = ready-made; *book* etc. ~), || large commercial establishment selling goods of many different kinds usu. for cash & at low prices (*the* ~s, these opp. ordinary shops, as *I get most things at the* ~s; CO-OPERATIVE ~ or ~s; *Army & Navy*, etc., ~s, orig. selling only to members, who must have specified qualification). 3. pl. Articles of particular kind or for special purpose accumulated for use, supply of things needed, (*military, naval*, etc., ~s; *marine* ~s, old ship materials). 4. attrib. Kept for future use (~ *cattle* etc., not yet being fattened). 5. *Set ~ by*, reckon precious or important, esp. *set no great ~ by*. 6. ~ *house*, place where things are ~d up. granary etc., esp. fig. (*person, book, is a ~house of information* etc., cf. *MINE*); ~ *keeper*, *shopkeeper; ~ *room*, in which household requisites are kept; ~ *ship*, carrying ~s for fleet, garrison, etc. 7. v.t. Stock or furnish with or with something (usu. with knowledge or the like; ~ *your mind with facts; a well-~d memory*). 8. Lay up or up for future use (*harvest has been ~d, got in; ~ up a saying in one's heart*); deposit (furniture etc.) in a warehouse for temporary keeping. 9. (Of receptacle) hold, keep, contain, have storage-accommodation for (*a single cell can ~ 3,400,000 foot-pounds of energy*); hence **STOR'ABLE** a. [vb f. n., f. OF *estor* f. *estor*-build f. L *instaurare* cf. *RESTORE*; 'renew']

stōr'ley (pl. ~ *eyes*), **stōr'ly** (pl. ~ *ies*), n. Any of the parts into which a house is divided horizontally, the whole of the rooms etc. having a continuous floor, (*fell from a third-~ey window; a house of five ~eyes; upper-~ey or ~eyes*, fig., the brain, as *is a little wrong in the upper ~ey*); ~ *ey-post*, upright supporting a beam on which rests a floor or wall. Hence (-)~ *eyed*, ~ *ied*, (-*rid*), a. [f. 18th-c. Anglo-L *hystoria, istoria*, perh. orig. meaning tier of storied windows or sculpture, & = STORY¹; spelling ~ *ey* is for different. f. STORY¹]

stōr'iated, a. (Of title-pages etc.) with elaborate decorative designs. [for HISTORIATED]

stōr'ied (-*rid*), a. Celebrated in legend, associated with legends or stories or history; adorned with legendary or historical representations. [STORY¹, -ED¹] **stōrk**, n. Tall stately wading bird allied to heron, the best-known species pure white except for black wing-tips & reddish bill & feet, occas. half domesticated & nesting on buildings, & credited with peculiar affection both to its young & its parents (*King S-*, oppressively active ruler, cf. *King Log*¹); ~ *s-bill*, kinds of plant. [OE *storc*, cf. Du. *stork*, G. *storch*]

stōrm, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Violent disturbance of the atmosphere with thunder, strong wind, or heavy rain or snow or hail, a tempest, (*cyclonic* ~; *thunder, rain, snow, wind*, ~; ~ *in a teacup*, great excitement over small matter); (Meteorol.) atmospheric disturbance intermediate between whole gale & hurricane. 2. Violent disturbance of the established order in human affairs, tumult, agitation, war, invasion, dispute, etc. (~ & *stress*, period of fermenting ideas & unrest in person's or nation's life, f. G *Sturm und Drang*, name of a play characteristic of the literary movement in Germany 1770-82). 3. Vehement shower of missiles or outbreak of hisses, applause, indignation, etc. 4. Direct assault by troops on fortified place, capture of place by such assault, (*take by* ~, of such capture, & transf. of captivating audience or person rapidly). 5. ~ *beaten*, battered by lit. or fig. ~s; ~ *bell*, tract in which ~s are frequent; ~ *bird*, stormy petrel; ~ *bound*, prevented from leaving port or continuing voyage by ~s; ~ *card*, chart assisting navigator of ship in ~ to conjecture position of ~-centre & so to direct course; ~ *centre*, point to which wind blows spirally inward in cyclonic ~, (fig.) subject etc. upon which agitation or disturbance is concentrated; ~ *cloud*, heavy rain-cloud, state of affairs that threatens disturbances; || ~ *cock*, kinds of bird, esp. mistle-thrush, fieldfare, or green woodpecker; || ~ *cone*, tarred-canvas cone

hoisted as warning of high wind, upright for north & inverted for south; ~door, additional outer door for protection in bad weather or winter; ~drum, cylinder added to ~cone for expected ~ of great violence; || ~fench, stormy petrel; ~glass, sealed tube containing a solution of which the clarity is affected by temperature formerly regarded as efficient weather-glass; ~petrel, stormy petrel; ~sail, of smaller size & stouter canvas than the corresponding one used in ordinary weather; ~signal, ~cone, ~drum, or other device for warning of an approaching ~; ~tossed, lit. & fig.; ~troops, shock-troops, (also) a Nazi semi-military organization (~trooper, member of this); ~wind; ~window, as ~door; ~zone, ~belt; hence ~LESS, ~PROOF², aa. 6. vb. (Of wind, rain, etc.) rage, be violent. 7. Talk violently, rage, bluster, fume, scold (intr.), (often at object of displeasure). 8. Take by ~ (~ing-party, detachment told off to begin assault; so ~ER¹ n.). [vb f. n., OE, also Du., Sw., & Da., cf. G *sturm*; cogn. w. STIR]

stōrm¹/y, a. Of marked violence, raging, vehement, bolsterous, (~y wind, sea, waves, passions, temper, abuse); infested or troubled with lit. or fig. storms (a ~y coast, sea, night, debate, life); associated with or threatening storms (~y petrel; a ~y unael). Hence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [-r³]

stōr²(t)h/ing (-ti-), n. Norwegian Parliament. [Norw. (-ti-), f. *stor* great, *t(h)ing* assembly]

stōr³/y¹, n. 1. History (arch.; versed in classic ~). 2. Past course of person's or institution's life (*this ~ is an eventful one; in our rough island ~*). 3. Account given of an incident (*they all tell the same ~; according to his own ~*, suggestion of doubt as to his veracity; *to make a long ~ short*, formula excusing omission of details; *it is quite another ~ now*, we now hear a different account, esp. = things have changed; *the ~ goes*, it is said). 4. Piece of narrative, tale of any length told or printed in prose or verse of actual or fictitious events, legend, myth, anecdote, novel, romance, (*tell me a ~; but is this ~ true?*; *short ~*, relating us a single incident & published as article in magazine or as one of a collection; *good, funny, ~*, amusing anecdote often embodying witicism or ludicrous situation; *but that is another ~*, formula for breaking off & tantalizing reader with allusion). 5. Main facts or plot of novel or epic or play (*reads only for the ~; the ~ is the least part of the book*). 6. Facts or experiences that deserve narration (*that face must have a ~ belonging to it*). 7. (Nursery) lie, fib, liar (ask you ~). 8. ~book, containing ~ or stories; ~teller, Eastern making a living by telling stories to

audience, writer of stories, retailer of anecdotes in society, (Nursery) liar. [AF *estorie* f. OF *estoire* f. L as HISTORY]

story². See STOREY.

|| **stōt**, n. (north. dial.). Young ox, steer. [OE]

stoup (-ōp), n. (arch.). Flagon, beaker, drinking-vessel; holy-water basin. [f. ON *stauþ*, cf. Du. *stoup*, OE *stēap*]

stout, a. & n. 1. Brave, doughty, resolute, vigorous, sturdy, stubborn, staunch, strongly built, (~ fellow, arch., good at fighting etc.); a ~ heart, courage, whence ~heart'ED² (-hāt-) a., ~heart'EDLY² adv., ~heart'EDNESS n.; *made a ~ resistance*; a ~ opponent; a ~ stick, ship, etc.); corpulent, bulky, tending to fatness; hence ~ISH¹(2) a., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Strongest kind of porter. [f. OF *estout* f. Teut. (Du. *stout*, G *stolz*, proud), perh. f. L *stultus* stupid]

stōve¹, n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of closed apparatus in which heat is produced by consumption of wood, coal, charcoal, oil, gas, or other fuel, for use in warming rooms, cooking, etc.; (Garden) hot-house with artificial heat; ~pipe, conducting smoke & gases from ~ to chimney (~pipe hat, tall silk hat). 2. v.t. Force, raise, (plants) in ~. [earlier sense *heated room, bath*; prob. f. MDu. *stove*, cf. OE *stofa* hot-air bath, G *stube* room, & STEW¹]

stove². See STAVE².

stow (-ō), v.t. Pack (goods etc.) in right or convenient places without waste of room (~ thing *away*, place it where it will not cause obstruction); fill (receptacle) with articles compactly arranged; (sl., usu. in imperat.) abstain from, cease to indulge in, (~ larks, that nonsense, etc.); ~away, person getting free passage by going aboard ship & hiding till she is at sea (~ *away* as v.i., do this); ~wood, billets used for chocking casks in ship's hold. Hence ~AGE(1, 3, 4) (-ōi) n. [ME, f. OE *stōw* a place, cogn. w. STAND]

strabis¹/m/us (-z), n. Squinting, squint, (cross-eyed ~us, with eye or eyes turning inward; *wall-eyed ~us*, outward). Hence ~IC, ~AL, aa. [mod. L, f. Gk *strabismos* (strabos squinting, -ISM)]

strabō²/om'y, n. Operation of cutting eyeball muscle to cure squint. [prec., -TOMY]

strād¹/dl/e, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Take or be in attitude with legs wide apart; stand or sit across (thing) thus (*cannot ~e his horse; stood ~ing the ditch*); part (one's legs) widely; (Nav.) drop shots short of & beyond (target, enemy) esp. to find range; drop bombs from side to side across (target); (fig.) vacillate between two policies etc., sit on the fence. 2. n. Act of ~ing lit. or fig.; (St. Exch.) contract giving holder the right of either calling for or delivering stock at fixed price. [strād, -IZ(3)]

Strādīva¹īus (or **-ā-**), (colloq.) **Strād**, n. Violin or other stringed instrument made by ~ of Cremona (d. 1737).

strafe (-ahf; -āf), v.t., & n. (sl.). 1. Bombard, worry with shells, bombs, sniping, etc.; reprimand or abuse or thrash. 2. n. Piece of strafing (*the morning ~*, gunfire at dawn). [Joc. adaptation of G 1914 catchword *Gott ~* (God chastise) *England*]

strāg'gle, v.i. Stray from the main body, fail to remain compact, get dispersed, proceed in scattered irregular order, be sporadic, occur here & there, (*crowd ~ed along*; *plant ~es*, grows long & weedy; *~ing village, houses*, etc.). Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ingly² adv., ~Y² a. [perh. f. ME *straken* roam cogn. w. STRETCH, -LE(3)]

straight (-āt), a., n., & adv. 1. Without curve or bend, extending uniformly in same direction, (~ *line* in Geom., lying evenly between any two of its points; ~ *arch*, shaped like inverted V, without curves; a ~ *back*, not bowed; a ~ *knee*, not bent; ~ *legs*, not bandy or knock-kneed; ~ *hair*, not curly); (of aim, look, blow, course) going direct to the mark; upright, honest, candid, (~ *dealings*, *speaking*; *is perfectly ~ in all his dealings*; ~ *thinking*, logical, not swayed by emotion); in proper order or place, level, symmetrical, (*are the pictures ~?*; *put things ~*, get rid of disorder; *accounts are ~*, made up in due form; a ~ *race, fight*, etc., in which competitors do their best to win); direct from source (~ *tip*, hint esp. as to likely winner of race or prospects of investment got from good authority); ~neat (a *whisky ~*), undiluted, unmixed; ~the ~ ticket, the party programme without modification; ~for'ward, honest, open, frank, (of task etc.) presenting no complications; so ~for'wardly adv., ~for'wardness n.; ~way (arch.), at once, immediately, hence ~EX¹ v.t. & i., ~NESS n., (-āt-). 2. n. ~ condition (*is out of the ~*, crooked); ~ part of something, esp. concluding stretch of racecourse (*they were even as they reached the ~*); sequence of cards in poker. 3. adv. In a ~ line, direct, without deviation or circumlocution, (*go ~*; *hit ~ from the shoulder*, in boxing, also fig.; *ride ~*, taking fences etc. instead of going round; *comes ~ from Paris*; *is making ~ for a precipice*; *told it him ~ out*); in right direction, with good aim, (*shoot ~*); correctly (*does not see ~*); (arch.) at once (also in ~ *away*, sl., immediately; ~ *off*, without hesitation, deliberation, etc., as *cannot tell you ~ off*). 4. ~cut, (tobacco) cut lengthwise into long silky fibres; ~edge, bar with one edge accurately ~, used for testing; ~eight, motor vehicle with eight cylinders in line; ~eye, ability to detect deviation from the ~; ~face (intentionally inexpressive); ~fight (Pol.), direct

contest between two candidates. [ME *streġt*, p.p. of *streccan* STRETCH]

strain¹, v.t. & i. 1. Stretch tightly, make taut, exercise to greatest possible or beyond legitimate extent, press to extremes, wrest or distort from true intention or meaning, (~ *parchment across the aperture*; ~ *rope to breaking-p every nerve*, do one's utmost; ~ *one's ears, eyes, voice*, etc., listen etc. to best of one's power, & see below; ~ *one's authority, powers, rights*, etc., or *the law* etc., apply them beyond their province or in violation of their true intention; ~ *a point*, go further than one is entitled or can be expected to, esp. in the way of concession, to effect a purpose; a ~ed *interpretation or sense*, got by pressing some rule of grammar etc. too far; ~ing-beam, -piece, horizontal beam used as strut between tops of queen-posts). 2. Hug (person) to oneself or one's breast etc. 3. p.p. Produced under compulsion or by effort, artificial, forced, constrained, not spontaneous, (*the quality of mercy is not ~ed*, mercy should be spontaneous; ~ed *manner, laugh, cordiality*, etc.). 4. Overtake, injure or try or import by over-use or making of excessive demands, (*take care not to ~ your eyes, voice*, etc.; for fear of ~ing his followers' loyalty; has ~ed a muscle, his leg, his heart, etc.; ship is ~ed, has had parts wrenched out of rigid state; ~ed relations, over-sensitiveness between parties who have tried each other's forbearance too far). 5. Make intense effort, strive intensely after, tug at, hold out with difficulty under or under pressure, (*the ~ing horses, masts; plants ~ing upwards to the light; dogs, horses, rowers, ~ at the leash, collar, oar; porter ~ing under his load; ~s too much after epigram, effect*, etc.). 6. Clear (liquid) of solid matter by passing through sieve or other ~ER¹(2) n.; filter (solids) out from liquid; (of liquid) percolate. 7. ~ at, be over-scrupulous about (ref. to *Matt. xxiii. 24*, prop. ~ out, see R.V., in prec. sense). Hence ~'ABLE a. [ME *streinen* f. OF *estreindre* *estrein* f. L *stringere* strict-]

strain², n. 1. Pull, stretching force, tension, demand upon or force that tries cohesion or strength or stability or resources, exertion required to meet such demand or to do something difficult, injury or change of structure resulting from such exertion or force, (*the ~ on the rope was tremendous*; *was a great ~ on my resources, attention, credulity*; *the ~ of modern life*; *is suffering from ~ or over ~*; *all his senses were on the ~*, exerted to the utmost; *is epigrammatic without ~*, appearance of undue effort; *has a ~ in his leg*). 2. (Physics, Mech.) condition of a body subjected to stress, molecular displacement. 3. (poet. & rhet., usu. in pl.). Burst or spatch or spell of music or poetry

(*martial, inspiring, pathetic, etc.*, ~s, music or poetry of such character; *the ~s of the harp, of the Elizabethan poets, etc.*). 4. Tone or style adopted in talking or writing, tendency of discourse, (*he went on in another ~; & much more in the same ~*). 5. Moral tendency forming part of a character (*there is a ~ of weakness, ferocity, mysticism, in him*). 6. Breed of animals, human stock or family, (*comes of a good ~*). [first sense from prec.; last f. OE *stréon* gain, product, progeny; others of mixed orig.]

strait, a. & n. 1. Narrow, limited, confined or confining, (arch. exc. in ~ gate w. ref. to *Matt. vii. 14*, ~ jacket or usu. *waistcoat*, strong garment put on maniacs to confine arms, which are either in sleeves so long that the ends can be tied or strapped within body of jacket, & in ~-laced now fig. only, severely virtuous, morally scrupulous, puritanic). 2. Strict (arch. exc. in ~est sect of w. ref. to *Acts xxvi. 5*); hence ~LY³ adv. (arch.), ~NESS n. (arch.), ~EN⁴ v.t. (~ened circumstances, poverty; is ~ened for, ill supplied with). 2. n. Narrow passage of water connecting two seas or large bodies of water (usu. in pl. when used of particular ~ with name, as *the S~s of Messina, Dover; S~s Settlements*, Crown colony on S~s of Malacca & Singapore; *the S~s*, formerly of Gibraltar, now usu. of Malacca); (usu. pl.) difficult position, need, distress, (esp. in ~s). [ME *streit* f. OF *estreit* f. L p.p. as STRAIN¹]

strāke, n. Continuous line of planking or plates from stem to stern of ship (GARBOARD ~). [var. of STREAK]

stramin'eous, a. (arch.). Of, light or worthless as, coloured like, straw. [L *stramineus* (*stramen* -inis straw f. *sternere* str- strew, -MEN), -OUS]

stramōn'ium, n. (Drug, much used in asthma, from seeds or leaves of) kind of datura. [mod. L, etym. dub.]

strānd¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Margin of sea, lake, or river (rhet., poet.). 2. vb. Run (t. & i. of ship) aground; (p.p.) in difficulties, unable to get along esp. for want of funds or other resources, left behind while others advance. [com.-Tent.; OE, Du., G, Sw., & Da., *strand*; etym. dub.]

strānd², n., & v.t. 1. One of the strings or wires by twisting which a rope is made; (fig.) element or strain in any composite whole. 2. v.t. Break a ~ in (rope). [cf. OF *estran* rope]

strānge (-j), a. 1. Foreign, alien, not one's own, not familiar or well known (*to*), novel, queer, peculiar, eccentric, singular, surprising, unaccountable, unexpected, (*in a ~ land; worship ~ gods; cannot play on a ~ ground, with a ~ racket; the place, work, handwriting, is ~ to me; it is a ~ thing, story; how ~ that you should not have heard!*; *wears the ~st clothes; is very ~ in his manner; seems mad etc.; truth is*

~ than fiction; repeating the question with ~ persistency; feel ~, not in one's usual condition, esp. dizzy etc.; it feels ~, is a novel sensation), whence ~LY³ (-jll) adv.

2. Fresh or unaccustomed to, unacquainted, bewildered, (*am ~ to the work; am quite ~ here, do not know my way about or the people etc.; feel ~, not at home, out of one's element etc.*). Hence ~NESS (-jn) n. [f. OF *estrange* f. L

strān'ger (-j-), n. Foreigner, person in a country or town or company that he does not belong to, person unknown to or to one (in U.S. as rustic voc. = *sir* etc.), person entirely unaccustomed to some feeling or practice or experience, (*am a ~ here, do not know my way about etc.; || spy or see ~s in House of Commons, demand withdrawal of all but members or officials; make a, no, ~ of, treat distantly, cordially; you are quite a ~, seldom show yourself here; is no, a, ~ to me, I know, do not know him; is a, no, ~ to fear, court-intrigues, has had no, much, experience of, the little ~, newborn child*). [f. OF *estranger*, see prec., -ES²(2)]

strangle (strāng'gl), v.t. Throttle, kill by squeezing windpipe; (of collar etc.) squeeze (neck); (fig.) suppress (movement, impulse, etc.); ~hold, deadly grip (usu. fig. in Pol. or commerce). [f. OF *estrangler* f. L *strangulare* f. Gk *straggalaō* (*straggālē* halter f. *straggos* twisted)]

strangles (strāng'glz), n. pl. (usu. treated as sing). Infectious catarrh in horse, ass, etc. [f. prec.]

strāng'ül'āte (-ngg-), v.t. Strangle (rare); (Path., Surg.) prevent circulation through (vein, intestine, etc.) by compression. Hence ~ATION n. [f. L as STRANGLE, -ATE³]

strāng'ūr'y (-ngg-), n. Disease in which urine is passed painfully & in drops; disease produced in plants by bandaging. So **strāngūr'ious** (-ngg-) a. [f. L f. Gk *straggouria* (*stragz* -gpos drop, *ouron* urine)]

strāp, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Strip of leather; strip of leather or other flexible material with buckle or other fastening for holding things together or other purpose (SHOULDER ~; rug, umbrella, etc., ~, pair of ~s with holder joining them for making bundle); strip of metal used to secure or connect, leaf of hinge, etc.; (Bot.) tongue-shaped part in ligulate floret; *the ~, chastisement with a ~*. 2. ~hanger, bus or train passenger who has to stand & hold on by ~ for want of sitting space; ~-laid, (of rope) made by laying ropes side by side & joining them into a flat band; ~-ell, beating given with ~; ~-work, ornamentation imitating plaited ~; ~-work, kind of white-flowered knotgrass. 3. v.t. Secure with ~ (often up, down, etc.); ~-ped trousers, held down by ~ passing below instep for riding

etc.); strop, whet, (razor, knife); (Surg.) close (wound), bind (part), up or up with adhesive plaster or ~P'ING¹(4) n.; flog with ~; (part. as adj., cf. *thumping, whacking, whopping*) big, lusty, tall, (a ~ing girl, yellow), whence ~P'ER¹ n. [OE *strop* prob. f. L *strappus*, cf. Gk *strophos* band (*strophō* twist)]

strappād'ō, n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. 1. Torture inflicted by securing person's hands or other part in ropes, raising him, & letting him fall till brought up by taut rope. 2. v.t. Subject to ~. [f. F *strapade* f. It. *strappata* (strappare pull); for -o see -ADO(2)]

sträss, n. Paste used in making artificial gems. [G, f. name of inventor, Josef Strasser]

strata. See STRATUM.

strāt'agēm, n. (An) artifice, trick(ery), device(s) for deceiving enemy, (devised a ~; must be effected by ~). [f. F *stratagème* f. L f. Gk *stratēgēma* (*stratēgō* be STRATEGUS, -X)]

stratē'gic, a. Of, dictated by, serving the ends of, strategy (~ skill, considerations, movement, position); (of bombing) designed to disorganize the enemy's internal economy & to destroy morale. Hence ~AL a. (now rare), ~ALLY¹ adv., **stratē'gics** n. [f. Gk *stratēgikos* (foll., -ō)]

stratē'gus, n. (Gk Ant.; pl. -gī pr. -gī or -gī). Military commander, esp. one of annually appointed board of ten at Athens. [L, f. Gk *stratēgos* (*stratos* army, *agō* lead)]

strāt'ēg[ī], n. Generalship, the art of war, (lit. & fig.); management of an army or armies in a campaign, art of so moving or disposing troops or ships as to impose upon the enemy the place & time & conditions for fighting preferred by oneself, (cf. TACTICS). Hence ~STR(3) n. [f. F *stratégie* f. Gk *stratēgia* (prec., -IA¹)]

strāth, n. (Sc.). Broad mountain valley; ~e^{pey'} (-ā), (music for) a lively Scottish dance (named f. *Strathspey* valley of the Spey). [f. Gael. *srath*, cf. W *ystad*]

stratic'ulate, a. (geol.). Arranged in thin layers. [STRATUM, -I-, -CULE, -ATE¹]

strāt'i[fy], v.t. Arrange in strata (esp. p.p.). Hence ~FICA'TION n. [f. F *stratifier* (STRATUM, -I-, -FY)]

strāto-, comb. form of STRATUS, as ~cl'r^{rus}, ~cām'ulus.

stratōc'racý, n. Military government, domination of soldiers. [Gk *stratos* army, -ORAC'Y]

strāt'osphère, n. The layer of atmospheric air lying above the TRAPOSPHERE, in which the temperature ceases to fall with height, remaining constant. [STRATO- + SPHERE]

strāt'um, n. (pl. ~a). (Geol.) layer, or set of successive layers, of any deposited substance; (transf.) social grade (the various ~s of society). Hence ~AL, strāt'i-

FORM, aa., **strātigrāPHY**(2) n., **strātigrāPHIC** a., **strātigrāPHICALLY** adv. [L, -spread thing, coverlet, neut. p.p. of *sternere* strew]

strāt'us, n. (pl. -ff). Continuous horizontal sheet of cloud. [assim. of prec. to termination of *cumulus* & other CLOUDS]

straw, n., & v.t. 1. Dry cut stalks of kinds of grain as material for bedding, thatching, packing, hats, etc. (*made of, thatched* etc. with, ~; a load of ~; ~ *matress, hat, rope*, etc.; in the ~, arch., in childbed; *man of ~*, stuffed effigy, imaginary person set up as opponent etc., person without substantial means); ~ hat; single stalk or piece of ~, insignificant trifle, (*with a ~ in his mouth; lemonade sucked through ~*; *draw ~s*, draw lots with ~s of different lengths; *make bricks without ~*, of persons set to work without adequate means, see *Exod. v. 7; catch at a ~*, resort to utterly inadequate expedient like drowning man; *the last ~*, slight addition that makes something no longer tolerable as with camel's load; a ~ *shows which way the wind blows*, slight hint may suggest much; *is not worth, don't care, a ~*). 2. ~board, coarse cardboard made of ~; ~colour(ed). (of) pale yellow; ~stem, wineglass with stem not made separately & attached but drawn out of bowl; ~vote (Pol.), unofficial balloting as test of strength; ~worm, caddis; hence ~Y¹ a. 3. v.t. (arch.). Strew. [OE *stréaw*, cf. Du. *stroo*, G *stroh*; cogn. w. STREW (of which the vb is perh. a var.) & L *sternere* strat- strew]

straw'berry, n. (Kind of perennial plant throwing out runners & producing) pulpy red fruit having surface studded with yellow seeds (*crushed ~*, kind of dull crimson; || *the ~ leaves*, ducal rank, w. ref. to ornamentation of duke's coronet); ~mark, soft reddish birthmark; ~pear, (fruit of) W.-Ind. cactaceous plant; ~roan, red ROAN¹; ~tree, evergreen arbutus bearing ~-like fruit. [OE *stréawberige* (prec., w. ref. to runners, BERRY)]

stray, v.i. (p.p. as -ED¹, 2), n., & a. 1. Wander, go aimlessly, deviate from the right way or from virtue, lose one's way, get separated from flock or companions or proper place. 2. n. ~ed domestic animal; WAIFS & ~; || property of deceased person escheating to crown in default of heirs; (Wireless, usu. in pl.) = ATMOSPHERICS. 3. adj. (no comp. & sup.). ~ed; scattered, sporadic, occurring or met with now & then or casually or unexpectedly, (*a few ~ instances; a ~ customer or two came in; hit by a ~ bullet*). [(n. & a. f. AF *estrat*, *stray*) f. OF *estrater* prob. ult. f. L as EXTRA-VAGANT]

streak, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Long narrow irregular line or band or layer-edge, esp. one distinguished by colour, visible on a surface (*black with red ~s; a ~ of light above the horizon; bacon with ~s of fat &*

lean; ~ of lightning, flash; like a ~ of lightning, or a ~, swiftly; || the silver ~, English Channel; has a ~ of humour, superstition, etc., in him, strain or element; hence ~'Y² a., ~'LY² adv., ~'NESS n. 2. vb. (Usu. in p.p.) mark with ~ (s); (intr.) move very rapidly (like a ~ of lightning). [OE *strica* stroke, line, cf. G *strich*, Du. *streek*; cogn. w. STRIKE]

stream, n., & v.t. & t. 1. Body of water running in bed, river, or brook, (on the banks of a ~; up, down, ~, moving or situated upwards, downwards, on river), whence ~'LESS a., ~'LET n.; flow of any liquid, onward moving fluid mass or crowd, (sing. or pl.) large quantity of or of something that flows or moves along, (saw a ~ of lava; came out, went by, in a ~ or ~s; a ~, ~s, of blood, tears, people); current, direction of flow, (GULF ~; with, against, the ~; go with the ~, do as others do; the ~ of tendency, thought, is the other way). 2. ~ anchor, intermediate between bower & kedge esp. for use in warping; ~'line, (n.) natural course of water or air currents (~'line shape in aircraft, motor-car, etc., that calculated to cause least resistance), (v.t.) give a ~line form to; hence ~'Y² a. (rare). 3. vb. Flow or move as a ~; run with liquid (~ing eyes, windows, umbrella); (of banner, loose hair, etc.) float or wave in the wind; emit ~ of (blood etc.). [OE *stream*, cf. Du. *stroom*, G *strom*; cogn. w. Skr. *aru*, Gk *rhēō*, flow]

stream'er, n. Pennon, ribbon attached at one end & floating or waving at the other; column of light shooting up in aurora. [-ER¹]

street, n. Town or village road that has houses on one side or both, this with the houses, (go down, across, the ~; main, side, broad, etc., ~; live in the ~, be constantly outside one's house; lives in a fashionable ~; MAN¹ in the ~; not in the same ~ with, colloq., utterly inferior to in ability etc.; window looks on the ~; in the ~, said of St.-Exch. business done after closing hours; on the ~s, living by prostitution; KEY¹ of the ~; GRUB-STREET; LOMBARD, QUEER, ~; ~ ARAB; || ~ cries, of hawkers; || ~ orderly, scavenger); (arch.) paved road, highway (as Walling S~); WALL STREET; the ~, = Fleet S~, Wall S~; ~door, opening on ~; ~sweeper, esp. machine with revolving brush for cleaning ~s; ~walker, common prostitute. Hence (-)~ED² a., ~WARD adv. & a. [OE *strēt* f. LL *strata* (via) paved (way) f. *sternere* stral-lay]

strength, n. 1. Being STRONG, degree in which person or thing is strong, (the ~ of a man, rope, beam, fortress, current, argument, fleet; the ~ of wine, acid, tea, evidence; ~ of body, mind, will, memory, judgement; his ~ is in endurance; has the ~ of a horse, is as strong; has not the ~ to lift a cup, walk upstairs; that is beyond

human, too much for my, ~; MEASURE² one's ~ with; on the ~ of, encouraged by or relying on or arguing from, as I did it on the ~ of your promise). 2. What makes strong (God is our ~; his ~ is patience). 3. Proportion of whole number present (were there in great, full, ~). 4. || (Mil.) on the ~, on the muster-roll (was taken, is, on the ~). Hence ~'LESS a. [OE *strengthu* (*strang* STRONG, -TR¹)]

strēng'then, v.t. & i. Make or become stronger; ~ one's hands (fig.), encourage him to vigorous action. [-EN¹]

strēn'uous, a. Energetic, unrelaxing, ardently persistent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [L *strenuus*, cf. Gk *strēnēs* strong, +OUS]

Strēph'on, n. Fond lover (~ & Chloe, pair of lovers). [character in Sidney's *Arcadia*]

strēp'tōs'ōs, mus. direction. Noisily. [It.] **strēptocōcc'us**, n. (pl. -ci). Any of a group of bacteria which, as they remain attached after fission, are usu. found in chains. [Gk *streptos* torque (*strophē* turn), *kokkos* a grain]

Strēp'yan, a. Of the stage of palaeolithic culture represented by remains found at Strépy in Belgium. [-AN]

strēss, n., & v.t. 1. Constraining or impelling force of (under, driven by, ~ of weather, poverty, etc.). 2. Effort, demand upon energy, (STORM & ~; subjected to great ~; times of slackness & times of ~). 3. Emphasis (lay ~ on, convey that one attaches importance to); accentuation, emphasis laid on syllable or word, a or the accent, (~ & quantity are different metrical principles; the ~ is on the first syllable, on the word 'permissive'). 4. (Mech.) force exerted between contiguous bodies or parts of a body; hence ~'LESS a. 5. v.t. Lay the ~ on, accent, emphasize; subject to mechanical ~. [vb in present sense f. n., which is partly aphetic for DISTRESS¹ & partly f. the vb f. OF *estrecier* f. pop. L [†]*strictiare* see DISTRESS²]

strēch, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make taut, tighten, straighten, place somewhere in tight-drawn or outspread state. (the rope must be ~ed tight; ~ a wire across the road; with a canopy ~ed over them; ~ trousers, remove creases etc. by pulling out in frame; ~ oneself or ~ abs., tighten muscles after sleeping etc. by extending limbs etc. in various directions; ~ one's legs, straighten them by walking as relief from sitting etc.; ~ one on the ground, knock him sprawling; (p.p.) lying at full length, on the lawn, etc.; ~ out hand, foot, etc., extend it by straightening arm or leg; ~ out, abs., reach out hand, also begin to lengthen stride). 2. Strain, exert to utmost or beyond legitimate extent, make the most, do violence to, exaggerate, (~ a point, a principle, one's powers, one's credit, = strain; ~ the truth or ~ abs.,

exaggerate, lie). 3. Have specified length or extension, be continuous between points or to or from a point, (~es from end to end, across the sky, to infinity; road ~es away, memory ~es down, from or to place or period). 4. Draw, be drawn or admit of being drawn, out into greater length or extension or size (gloves, boots, want ~ing; ~s like elastic); (sl.) hang (person). 5. n. ~ing or being ~ed (with a ~ & a yawn, whence ~'y^a a., ~'iness n.; by a ~ of authority, language, etc.; with every faculty on the ~). 6. Continuous expanse or tract or spell (a ~ of road, open country, etc.; works ten hours at a ~); (Naut.) distance covered on one tack; (sl.) imprisonment for a year, any term of imprisonment or penal servitude. [OE *streccan*, cf. Du. *strecken*, G. *strecken*; perh. cogn. w. STARE] **strétch'er**, n. In vbl senses; esp.: brick or stone laid with side in face of wall (cf. HEADER); board in boat against which rower presses feet; appliance, often of canvas stretched on oblong frame, for carrying disabled person on; (sl.) exaggeration, lie; ~bond, method of building in which all bricks are ~s but joints of contiguous courses do not coincide. [-ER¹]

strew (-ðə), v.t. (p.p. ~n, ~ed). Scatter (sand, flowers, small objects) over a surface; (partly) cover (surface, object) with small objects scattered. [OE *strewian* (STRAW), cf. G. *streuen*; prob. cogn. w. L. *sternere strat-*]

strī'a, n. (anat., zool., bot., geol.; pl. ~ae). Linear mark on surface, slight ridge or furrow or score. Hence ~ATE^a a., ~ATE^v v.t., ~ATELY^a adv., ~ATION, ~ATURE, nn. [L]

stricken. See STRIKE.

stric'kle, n. Rod used in STRIKE-measure; whetstone. [OE *stricel* (STRIKE)]

strict, a. Precisely limited or defined, accurate, tense, without irregularity or exception or deviation, requiring implicit obedience or exact performance, not lax, (in the ~ sense; keep ~ watch; ~ time in music; lives in ~ seclusion; was told me in ~ confidence; gave ~ orders; a ~ code of laws or customs; ~ morals, admitting no laxity; ~ parents, schoolmaster, discipline). Hence ~LY^a adv. (~ly speaking, if one is to use words in their ~ sense), ~NESS n. [f. L. *stringere strict-* tighten]

stric'tur'e, n. (Usu. in pl.) piece of censure, critical remark, (usu. on or upon); (Path.) morbid contraction of some canal or duct in the body, whence ~ED^a (-keherd) a. [f. L. *stricture* contraction (*stringere*, see prec. & STRIGIL, -URE)]

stride, v.i. & t. (past *strōde*, rare p.p. *stridden* or *strid*), & n. 1. Walk with long steps; pass over (ditch etc.) with one step; bestride, straddle (trams). 2. n. Single step esp. in respect of length, gait as determined by length of ~, (walks

with vigorous ~s or a vigorous ~; take obstacle in one's ~, clear it without changing step to jump, (fig.) find no serious impediment in it; get into one's ~, (fig.) settle down steadily to the job in hand; distance between feet parted either laterally or as in walking. [OE *strīdan*, cf. Du. *strīden*, G. *streiten*, contend]

strid'ent, a. Loud & harsh in sound. Hence ~LY^a adv. [L. *stridere* creak, -ENT]

strid'ul'ate, v.i. (entom.). Make shrill jarring sound by rubbing together hard parts of body (of cicadas, grasshoppers, etc.). So ~ANT a., ~ATION, ~ATOR¹ (1, 2), nn. [L. *stridulus* creaking (prec.), ~ATE^a]

strife, n. Contention, state of conflict, struggle between opposed persons or things. [f. OE *estrif*, cf. *estriver* STRIVE]

stri'gil, n. Skin-scraper used by ancients at bath. [f. L. *strigilis* (*stringere* graze), cf. Gk. *stleggis*, *streggis*]

strig'ose, **strig'ous**, aa. (bot.). With short stiff hairs or scales. [L. *striga* swath, -OSE¹, -OUS]

strike, v.t. & i. (*struck*, *struck* & as specified below *stricken*), & n. 1. Hit, hit upon or (up)on, deliver blow(s) or stroke(s), (*struck me in the mouth, with his fist*; ~ ball out of court etc., send it with blow; ~ weapon up or down or aside, divert it by blow; ~ one's foot against a stone, one's hand on the table; ~ while iron¹ is hot; striking-force, esp. military body ready to deliver blow at short notice; within striking-distance, near enough to ~; ~ a blow, or ~, for freedom; hammer ~s on or ~s bell; ship ~s rock or on rock or ~s, runs on it; ~ hands, arch., touch or clasp them in sign of agreement made; was struck by a stone, lightning; a stricken heart, afflicted by strokes of grief; stricken with fever, pestilence, paralysis, etc.; a stricken field, pitched battle or scene of it; stricken in years, enfeebled by age; ~ out, hit from the shoulder, also use arms & legs in swimming or feet in skating; ~ upon an idea, plan, etc., have it luckily occur to one; ~ oil; light ~s upon object, illuminates it; ~ at, aim blow at; ~ at the root of, threaten destruction to; ~ back, return blow; ~ home, get blow well in; ~ all of a heap, colloq., dumbfound; ~ flash or ~ abs., jerk tackle in order to secure hook in mouth; ~ the track, come upon it). 2. Produce or record or bring into specified state by stroke(s) or striking (~ coin, make it by stamping; ~ bargain, make it as by striking hands; ~ sparks, fire, light, out of flint; ~ a match, ignite by striking against something; ~ a light, produce by striking match; match will not ~, give light when struck; clock ~s the hour, five, etc.; the hour has struck, clock has struck it, & fig. the critical moment has come or gone; ~ one blind, deaf, etc., blind, deafen, etc., him at one

stroke; ~ *me dead*, vulg., form of asseveration; ~ *down*, fell with blow lit. or fig.; ~ *his head off*, behead; ~ *out plan* etc., forge or devise; ~ *out a line for oneself*, be original; ~ *item or name out or off*, ~ *word through*, expunge with pen-stroke; ~ *up an acquaintance*, start it rapidly or casually; hand or person ~ *up a tune* or ~ *up*, starts playing or singing as by stroke of drum; printer ~ *s off 1000 copies*, makes as by stamping). 3. Arrest attention of, occur to mind of, produce mental impression on, impress as, (*what struck me was the generosity of the offer*; it ~ *s me* he or that he may have misunderstood; *an idea suddenly struck me*; how does it ~ *you?*, what do you think about it?; it ~ *s me as ridiculous, absolutely perfect*); (part.) sure to be noticed, arresting, impressive, whence *strikingly* adv., *strikingness* n. 4. Lower or take down (flag, sail, tent), signify surrender by striking flag, surrender, (~ *one's flag*, surrender ship or fortress to enemy, also resign a naval command; ~ *tents*, break up camp; *town, ship*, ~ *s*, surrenders). 5. Cease (work), cease work, (of workmen) refuse to go on working unless employer accedes to some demand (cf. *lock^s out*; ~ *for higher pay, against long hours*, etc.). 6. (Cause to) penetrate (*struck a knife, terror, into his heart*; *cold ~s through his clothes, into his marrow, the wind ~s cold*; *plant ~s its roots into the soil*; ~ *s root*, or ~ *s abs.*; *oysters ~*, attach themselves to bed; *rays ~ through fog*; *struck with terror, panic, dizziness*, etc., suddenly filled with). 7. Direct one's course somewhere, take specified direction, diverge to, start into, (then ~ *to the right*; ~ *into or out of a track, subject*, etc.; ~ *in*, intervene in talk, often with suggestion etc.; *gout ~s in*, attacks interior instead of extremities; ~ *into a gallop*, begin galloping). 8. Level (grain etc. or the measure) in ~ *measure* (see n.); ascertain (balance) by deducting credit or debit from the other; arrive at (average) by equalizing all items; compose (jury) by allowing both sides to reject same number. 9. Suddenly & dramatically assume (attitude). 10. ~ *a-light*, apparatus for getting light from flint. Hence *striker* (1, 2) n. 11. n. Concerted refusal to work by employees till some grievance is remedied (on ~, acting on such refusal; ~ *breakers*, workmen brought in to replace strikers; ~ *pay*, allowance for subsistence made by trade union to workmen who have struck; *general ~*, by workmen of all or most trades with a view to securing some common object by paralyzing business; *sit-down, stay-in*, ~; *sympathetic ~*, by unaggrieved trade to give moral support to one on ~). 12. = *STRICKLE* (~ *measure*, when grain etc. is measured by passing a rod across top of heaped vessel to secure that it shall be full & no

more). 13. *Sudden success at finding petroleum, gold, etc., or in financial operations. 14. (Baseball) batsman's actual or constructive attempt to hit pitched ball. [OE *strican* go, cf. Du. *strijken*, G *streichen*, smooth, stroke, cogn. w. L *stringere* graze]

string, n., & v.t. & i. (*strung*). 1. Twine or fine cord, piece of this or of leather, ribbon, webbing, or other material, used for tying up, lacing, drawing or holding together, actuating puppet, etc., (*want some ~ & brown paper*; APRON, *bonnet*, BOW¹, *kite*, etc., ~; two ~s to one's BOW¹; *first, second, ~*, person or thing that one's chief, alternative, reliance is set on, w. ref. to prec. phr.; *pull the ~s*, be the real actuator of what another does; *have person on a ~*, have under one's thumb; HEART ~s). 2. Tough piece connecting two halves of pod in beans etc. 3. Stretched piece of catgut, cord, or wire, yielding musical tone(s) in piano, harp, violin, & other instruments (*harp, fiddle, ~*; *touch the ~s*, play; *harp on one ~*, dwell on single subject; *touch a ~*, fig., excite particular feeling in person's heart; *the ~s*, the ~ed instruments in a band or part contributed by them to the effect, cf. *the WIND¹*), whence (-)~ED² (-)~GD a. 4. Set of or usu. of objects strung together or persons or things of one kind coming one after another (*a ~ of beads, onions, pearls*; *filed past in a long ~*; *a ~ of porters, horses, oaths, lies*). 5. (Billiard) scoring-board with buttons sliding on wires, the score, stroke made in ~ing for lead. 6. The racehorses, collectively, under training at a particular stable. 7. pl. *Conditions attached to a gift, offer, etc. 8. ~ *alphabet*, code for the blind in which special knots on ~ represent letters; ~ *band*, (prop.) of ~ed instruments only; ~ *bark*, STRINGY-bark; ~ *board*, supporting timber in which ends of staircase steps are set; ~ *course*, raised horizontal band or course running round or along building; ~ *halt*, = SPRING¹-halt; ~ *piece*, long timber supporting & connecting the parts of a framework. Hence ~ *LESS* a. 9. vb. Supply with ~(s), tie with ~. 10. Secure (bow) in state ready for use by bending it & slipping loop of ~ into notch; (fig., chiefly in p.p.) tighten up or make ready or sensitive or excited (*senses, nerves, resolution, or person in regard to them*; *was strung up to do the deed*; *high-strung or highly strung nerves or person*, neurotic, susceptible, over-sensitive). 11. Thread (beads etc.) on a ~; strip ~s from (beans). 12. * (colloq.). HEAR. 13. ~ *up* (colloq.), kill by hanging. 14. (Of glue etc.) become stringy. 15. (Billiards) make the preliminary strokes that decide which player shall begin. [OE *streng*, cf. Du. *strong*, G *strang*; cogn. w. STRAHL, STRAW]

stringén'dō (-j-), mus. direction. With increasing speed. [It.]

string'ent (-j-), a. (Of rules, stipulations, etc.) strict, precise, requiring exact performance, leaving no loophole or discretion; (of money-market etc.) tight, hampered by scarcity, unaccommodating, hard to operate in. Hence **~ENCY** n., **~entry** a. [L. *stringere* draw tight, -ENT]

string'er (-ng-), n. In vbl senses; also, STRING-board. [-ER¹]

string' [y (-ngl)], a. Fibrous, like string, (*~y-bark*, kinds of gum-trees); (of liquid) viscous, ropy. Hence **~INESS** n. [-Y¹]

strip¹, v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Denude, lay bare, deprive of covering or appurtenance or property, (*~ one to the skin*, leave him no clothes; *~ped*, naked; *~ped of fine names*, it is a swindle; *~ house, ship, tree*, remove furniture, rigging, bark & branches; *~ cow*, milk to last drop; *~ tobacco*, remove stems from; *~ screw*, tear thread from it); pull or tear (covering lit. or fig., appurtenance, property) off or off from or from something; put off one's clothes, undress (*~lease*, an entertainment in which a woman gradually *~s* before an audience). 2. (Of screw) lose thread; (of projectile) issue from rifled gun without spin. 3. *~leaf*, to tobacco with stems removed. Hence **~p'ER**¹ (1, 2) n. [OE *stripan*, cf. Du. *stroopen*, G *streifen*]

strip², n. Long narrow piece (a *~ of card, paper, cloth, garden, territory, board*); **AIK**¹ *~*. [prob. f. MLG *strippe* strap]

stripe, n. 1. Long narrow band usu. of uniform breadth on a surface from which it differs in colour or texture (*black with a red ~*; *STAR's & ~s*; *~s on soldier's trousers*; *sergeant's, corporal's, ~s*, symbols of rank; *get, lose, one's ~s*, be promoted, degraded; *zebra's ~s*), whence (**~striped**² (-pt), **strip'y**², aa., **strip'INESS** n. 2. (arch.). Blow with scourge (usu. in pl.); (pl.) flogging. 3. pl. (colloq.). Tiger. [prob. f. MDu. *stripe*, cf. G *streifen*, ON *strip* striped fabric, also **STRIP**¹; sense *blow* perh. as **STRIP**²]

strip'ling, n. Lad, young man whose figure has not yet filled out. [prob. f. **STRIP**², -LING¹]

strive, v.i. (*strōve*, *striven*). Struggle, endeavour, try hard, make efforts, contend, vie, (to do, for or after desired end, with or against opponent or temptation or difficulty; *~ together*, or with each other, quarrel, dispute pre-eminence etc.). [f. OF *estriver* (from, or whence, *estrif* strife), prob. f. Teut. (Du. *straven*, G *streben*)]

strōb'ile, n. Cone of pine etc. [f. L f. Gk *strobilos* (*strophō* twist)]

stroke. See **STROKE**.

strōke¹, n., & v.t. 1. Blow, shock given by blow, (to receive 20 ~s of the birch; with one ~ of his sword; killed by a ~ of lightning or lightning ~; finishing ~,

coup de grâce, final & fatal blow; ~ of paralysis or apoplexy, or ~, sudden disabling attack; SUN-~). 2. Single effort put forth, one complete performance of a recurrent action or movement, time or way in which such movements are done, (*has not done a ~ of work*; *~ of wing, oar*, etc., whole of motion till starting-position is regained; *~ of piston*, whole motion in either direction; *golfer does hole in five ~s*, successive single dealings with ball; *row a fast, slow, long*, etc., ~; *vary the ~*; *second boat is gaining at every ~ or ~ by ~*). 3. Method of striking in games etc., specially successful or skilful effort, (*invented a new ~ in cricket*; *~ of genius*, original idea; *~ of wit, diplomacy*, etc.; *~ of business*, profitable transaction; *a clever ~*; **MASTER**¹ ~); *~ of luck*, unforeseen opportune occurrence. 4. Mark made by movement in one direction of pen or pencil or paint-brush, detail contributing to general effect in description, (*up, down, ~*, part of letter so written; **HAIR** ~; *thick, thin, horizontal*, etc., ~; *dash off picture with a few ~s*; *could do it with a ~ of the pen by exag.*, by writing signature; *finishing ~s*, finishing touches; *description is full of ~s from the life*). 5. Sound made by striking clock (*it is on the ~ of nine*, nine is about to strike; *was there on the ~*, punctually). 6. (Also, now rarely, *~ oar*) oarsman rowing nearest stern & setting time of *~ (row, pull, ~*, act as ~). 7. v.t. Act as ~ to (boat, crew). [ME *strōk*, *strāk*, (**STRIKE**)]

strōk'e², v.t., & n. 1. Pass the hand gently, & usu. repeatedly in same direction, along surface of (*~ one or one's hair the wrong way*, irritate him; *~ one down*, mollify his anger etc.); hence **~ingly**² adv. 2. n. Act or spell of *~ing*. [OE *strācian*, cf. Du. *streeken*, G *streichen*; cogn. w. **STRIKE**]

strōll, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Saunter, go for short leisurely walk; go from place to place giving performances etc., traverse the country thus, (*~ing players*; *a ~ing company*). 2. n. Short leisurely walk (*go for, take, a ~*). Hence **~ER**¹ n. [f. 17th-c., etym. dub.]

strōm'a, n. (biol.; pl. *~ta*). Framework of an organ or cell, usu. of connective tissue. Hence **stromat'ic** a. [L. f. Gk (-ō-), = coverlet (*strōnum* spread, -M)]

strōng, a. (*comp.* & *sup. pr.* -ngg-).

1. Having power of resistance, not easily broken or torn or worn or injured or captured, tough, healthy, firm, solid, (*~ china, stick, cloth*; *a ~ constitution*, not liable to, able to overcome, disease; *~ nerves*, proof against fright, irritation, etc.; *~ fortress, town*, etc.; *~ box, team*, proof against burglars etc. for keeping valuables in; *~ conviction, faith, character*; *the ~*, those who have good health; *are you quite ~ again?*, restored to health;

a ~ foundation; *a ~ market*, steadily high or rising prices; *~ meal*, doctrine or measures acceptable only to vigorous or instructed minds). 2. Capable of exerting great force or doing much, muscular, powerful by size or numbers or resources or quality or ability, convincing, striking, powerfully affecting the senses, (*~ to do, suffer, labour, save*, etc.); *is ~ enough to*; *~ in judgement*, Greek, numbers, health, well equipped in those respects; *~ eyes, memory*, etc.; *a ~ man*, muscular; *by the ~ arm or hand*, by force; *is as ~ as a horse*, can do or stand much work; *the ~*, those who have might on their side; *~ army, fleet*, etc., numerous & well equipped; *a ~ detachment*, numerous; *a company 200*, numbering 200; *how many ~ are you?*, what are your numbers?; *a ~ combination*, set capable of doing much when united; *a ~ candidate*, formidable, likely to win; *~ drink, waters*, alcoholic liquors; *~ tea, toddy*, made with large proportion of the flavouring element; *~ situation*, conjuncture in play or story calculated to move audience deeply; *~ voice*, loud or penetrating; *~ mind*, capable of sound reasoning; *~ minded*, having such mind, also & usu. in spec. sense of woman, claiming mental & legal equality with men; *~ evidence, argument, case*; *~ light, shadow, colour, flavour*; *~ cheese, onion*, pungent; *~ butter, bacon, rancid*; *~ breath*, ill-smelling). 3. Energetic, effective, vigorous, decided, (*a ~ wind, tide, attraction*); *have a ~ hold upon or over*, be able to influence; *a ~ literary style*, vivid & terse; *has a ~ inclination to*; *~ language*, forcible expressions esp. of abusive or blasphemous kind; *give ~ support to*, support with all one's power; *a ~ partisan, Tory, advocate*; *~ man*, administrator who acts without hesitation, masterful person; *~ measures*, drastic action; *is ~ against compromise*, will have nothing to do with it; *going ~*, sl., continuing race or other occupation vigorously, also in good health or trim; *come or go it ~*, sl., go to great lengths in something). 4. (Gram., of vbs) forming inflections by vowel-change within stem rather than by addition of suffix (e.g. *swim swam, give gave, break broke*, cf. *float floated*). 5. *~ hold*, fort, fastness, citadel, place where some cause or sentiment still prevails (*Liverpool was a ~ hold of protestantism*). Hence *~ISM*¹(2) a., *~LY*² adv. [OE *strang*, cf. ON *strangr*, Du. *streng*, G. *streng* strict; cogn. w. L *stringere* STRAIN]

Strōn'tia (-sha) n., **strōn'tian** (-shn) n. & a. An oxide of strontium of which the nitrate is used in fireworks to colour flame red; (adj.) of strontia or strontium. [*a* f. foll. : *an* (n.) f. *Strontian* in Anglil, (adj.) f. foll. + *-ia*]

strōn'tium (-shm), n. A soft silver-white metallic element. [*Strontian* (prec.), -ium] **strōp**, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Strip of leather on which razor is sharpened, implement or machine serving same purpose; collar of leather or spliced rope or iron used in slinging pulley etc. 2. v.t. Sharpen on or with ~. [as STRAP]

strophān'thē, n. Poisonous drug extracted from varieties of the tropical plant *Strophanthus*, used as a heart-tonic. [f. (Gk) *strophos* twisted cord + *anthos* flower + -IN]

strōph'ē, n. (Lines recited during) turn made in dancing by ancient-Greek chorus (~, *antistrophe*, *epode*, three sections of a choral ode or of one division of it, ~ & antistrophe exactly corresponding in metre). So **strōph'ic** a. [Gk (-ē), orig. = turning (*strophē* turn)]

strove. See STRIVE.

strow (-ō), v.t. (p.p. ~n or ~ed). (Arch. for) STREW.

struck. See STRIKE.

strūc'tur'e, n. Manner in which a building or organism or other complete whole is constructed, supporting framework or whole of the essential parts of something, make, construction, (*the ~e of a house, machine, animal, organ, poem, sentence*; *a sentence of loose, a rack of columnar, ~e*; *its ~e is ingenious*; *ornament should emphasize & not disguise the lines of ~e*), whence *~AL* (-cher-), *~eless*, (-)~ED¹ (-cherd), aa., *~ALLY*² adv.; thing constructed, complex whole, a building, (*a fine marble ~e*; *a lumbering ~e drawn by six horses*). [f. L *structura* (*struere* struct-build, -URE)]

strūg'gle, v.i., & n. 1. Throw one's limbs about in violent effort to get free or escape grasp (*child ~ed & kicked*); make violent or determined efforts under difficulties, strive hard to do, contend with or against opponent or obstacle or difficulty, (*~ed to express himself, control his feelings*; *~ing with his infirmity, against superior numbers or the forces of nature*); make one's way with difficulty through, up, along, in, etc. (*light ~ed in through dirty panes*); (part.) experiencing difficulty in making a living or getting recognition (*a ~ing artist* etc.); hence *~ingly*² adv., *~ER*¹ n. 2. n. Spell of ~ing, confused wrestle or jostling, mêlée, hard contest, effort under difficulties; *the ~e for existence*, the competition between organisms esp. as an element in natural selection. [ME *strugelen*, cf. Norw. *stru* refractory]

strūld'brūg, n. One of those cursed with immortality in *Gulliver's Travels*. [arbitrary]

strūm, v.i. & t. (-mm-), & n. 1. Touch notes or twang strings of piano or other stringed instrument (esp. *unskillfully*); *~ on* (piano, guitar, etc.). 2. n. Sound made by ~ing (*the ~ of a guitar*). [imbr. cf. *strum*]

n'ia (-ōb-), *n.* (pl. ~ae). Scrofula; goitre; (Bot.) cushion-like dilatation of an organ. So ~OSE¹, ~OUS, *aa.* [L. = scrofulous tumour]

strūm'pēt, *n.* Prostitute. [f. 14th c., *etym. dub.*]

strung. See **STRING**.

strūt¹, *v.i.* (-tt-), & *n.* (Walk with) pompous or affected gait. Hence ~t'ingly² *adv.* [OE *strūtian* project, cf. foll.]

strūt², *n.*, & *v.t.* (-tt-). 1. Piece of wood or iron inserted in a framework & intended to bear weight or pressure in the direction of its length, brace, esp. one set obliquely from rafter to king-post or queen-post. 2. *v.t.* Brace with ~s. [cf. ON *strutr* conical cap, Norw. *strut* spout, Sw. *strut* paper cornet]

struth'ious (-ōb-), *a.* Of or like an ostrich, of the ostrich tribe. [L *struthio* f. Gk *strouthiōn* ostrich (*strouthos* sparrow), -OUS]

strých'n|ine, (arch.) **strých'n|ia**, (-k-), *nn.* Vegetable alkaloid got from plants of genus *Strychnos*, very bitter to the taste & highly poisonous & used in minute doses as nerve-stimulant. Hence ~ic *a.*, ~(in)ism(s) *nn.* [L *strychnos* f. Gk (*strikh-nos* kind of nightshade, -INE³)]

Stū'art, *n.* The ~s, sovereigns James I, Charles I & II, James II, Mary & Anne.

stūb, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-bb-). 1. Stump of tree, tooth, etc., left projecting; remnant of pencil, cigar, dog's tail, or similar object; ~iron, used for gun-barrels & made of old horseshoe or other nails; ~mortise, ~tenon, going only part of the way through; hence ~b'y² *a.* 2. *v.t.* Grub up (~) by the roots; clear (land) of ~s; ~ one's toe, hurt it by striking against something; (also ~ out) extinguish (cigar, cigarette) by pressing lighted end of ~ against some object. [OE *stubb*, cf. Du. *stobbe*, ON *stubbr*, Gk *stupos*]

stūb'ble, *n.* Stumps of grain left sticking up after harvest, cropped hair or beard. Hence stūb'ly² *a.* [f. OF *estuble* f. LL *stipula* f. L *stipula* (stipes stock, -UL¹)]

stūbb'orn, *a.* Obstinate, unyielding, obdurate, inflexible, refractory, intractable, (*facts are ~ things*, will not adapt themselves to theory). Hence ~ly² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [ME *stoburn*, *stiborn*, perh. f. OE *stubb* STUB *w.* unexplained suf.]

stūcc'ō, *n.* (pl. ~es), & *v.t.* 1. Kinds of plaster or cement used for coating wall surfaces or moulding into architectural decorations. 2. *v.t.* Coat with ~. [It., f. OHG *stucki* a crust (whence G *stuck* plaster)]

stuck(-up). See **STICK**.

stūd², *n.*, & *v.t.* (-dd-). 1. Large-headed nail, boss, or knob, projecting from a surface esp. for ornament; rivet, cross-piece in each link of chain-cable; two-headed button for use with two button-holes || esp. in shirt-front (collar~, long

kind going through four holes); post to which laths are nailed, whence ~d'ing¹ *n.*, woodwork of lath-&-plaster wall. 2. *v.t.* Set with ~s by way of strengthening or usu. of decorating, (p.p.) thickly set or strewed with (*door, lawn, sea, sky, ~ded with nails, trees, islands, stars*); be scattered over or about (surface). [OE *studu* post, cf. ON *stōth*, Sw. *stöd*, G *stütze* prop] **stūd³**, *n.* Number of horses kept for some purpose as breeding, racing, hunting, coaching; ~book, containing pedigrees of horses; ~farm, place where horses are bred; ~horse, stallion. [OE *stōd*, cf. ON *stōth*, G *gestüt*; cogn. w. STAND]

studding-sail (stūn'al), *n.* Sail set on small extra yard & boom beyond leech of square sail in light winds. [*etym. dub.*]

stūd'ent, *n.* 1. Person studying in order to qualify himself for some occupation or devoting himself to some branch of learning or under instruction at university or other place of higher education or technical training (*medical, theological, historical, ~*; ~ interpreter, civil servant qualified or qualifying for consular service in China, Persia, etc., by study of the language required; a ~ of archaeology, law, botany, manners; numbers ~s by the thousand). 2. Person of studious habits. 3. || (At some colleges) recipient of stipend from foundation, fellow or scholar, whence ~SHIP *n.* [L *studere* (studium study¹), -ENT]

stūd'io, *n.* (pl. ~s). Working-room of painter, sculptor, photographer, etc., often with skylights or windows specially designed to secure suitable light; room in which cinema-play is staged; (pl.) cinema ~s of a film company with auxiliary buildings; one of the rooms in a broadcasting station used for transmissions. [It., f. L as study¹]

stūd'ious, *a.* Given to study, occupied with reading; taking care to do, anxiously desirous of doing; studied, deliberate, intended, zealous, anxious, painstaking, (*with ~ care, attention, politeness*). Hence ~ly² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. L *studiosus* (toll., -OSE¹)]

stūd'y¹, *n.* 1. Thing to be secured by pains or attention (*it shall be my ~ to please, to write correctly; your comfort was my ~; make a ~ of, try to secure*). 2. (Now usu. brown ~) fit of musing, reverie, (*there he stood for an hour in a ~; is in a brown ~, too intent on his thoughts to observe what is passing*). 3. Devotion of time & thought to acquiring information esp. from books (often pl.), pursuit of some branch of knowledge, (*press his hours to ~; make a ~ of, investigate carefully; my studies have convinced me that; the ~ of mathematics, morals; continue your studies, go on with your lessons*). 4. Thing that is or deserves to be investigated (*the proper ~ of mankind is man; his face was a ~*).

5. (Paint. etc.) sketch made for practice in technique or as preliminary experiment for picture or part of it (*his studies are exquisite, but his finished work disappointing; a ~ of a head*); (Mus.) composition designed to develop skill in some particular branch; (Theatr.) *good, slow*, etc., learner of parts (UNDERSTUDY). 6. Room used for literary occupation, transaction of business, etc. (*you will find him in his, the, ~*). [AF & OF *estudie* f. L *studium* zeal, study]

stud'y², v.t. & i. 1. Make a study of, take pains to investigate or acquire knowledge of (subject) or to assure (result sought), scrutinize or earnestly contemplate (visible object), (~ *law, French, philosophy*; ~ *book*, read it attentively; ~ *one's part*, try to learn it by heart; ~ *up*, get up for examination etc.; ~ *out*, succeed in finding out by hard thinking; *studies others' convenience, his own interests*; ~ *person's face or character, a map, the stars*). 2. Apply oneself to study esp. reading (~ *for the bar*, read law). 3. (arch.). Meditate, muse. 4. Be on the watch, try constantly to manage, to do (*studies to avoid disagreeable topics*). 5. p.p. Deliberate. Intentional, affected, (*a studied insult*; *with studied politeness, rudeness, unconcern, abandon*), whence **stud**'iedly³ (-did-) adv. [f. OF *estudier* f. med. L *studiare* f. L as prec.]

stuff, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Material that thing is made of or that is or may be used for some purpose (*the ~ that dreams, heroes, are made of*; *has good ~ in him*, sterling qualities; *some ~ they call beer*; *this punch, book, is good, sorry, ~*; *household ~*, arch., furniture etc.; *bread, food, ~s*, things made into bread, used as food; *green, garden, ~*, vegetables; *doctors' ~*, physic; *inch ~*, boards 1 in. thick; *thick ~*, planking over 4 in. thick; *the ~*, colloq., available supply of something, e.g. timber, money, shells). 2. Any woollen fabric (opp. silk, cotton, linen; || ~ *gown*, worn by barrister who has not taken silk). 3. Valueless matter, refuse, trash, nonsense (n. & int.), (*take that ~ away*; *Smith a liar? ~ & nonsense!*; *what ~ he writes!*). 4. (sl.). *Do your ~, perform your tricks, get on with your job; NOT ~; *the ~ to give 'em or the troops*, the way to proceed etc. 5. vb. Pack, cram, stop up, fill, distend, (~ *one's ears with wool, cushion with down*; ~ *ed birds, beasts*, skin with interior removed & replaced by enough material to restore original shape; ~ *ed fowl, turkey, haddock, veal*, with minced seasoning inserted before cooking; ~ *ed shirt*, colloq., a pompous nonentity; ~ *child, goose*, etc., make it eat largely; *a head ~ed with romance, facts, folly*), whence ~ *ing*³ (4) n. (~ *ing-box*, chamber in machinery through which rod can work without allowing passage of air, etc., all vacant space being filled

with ~ing). 6. Ram or press into receptacle (~ *ed his necessities into a small bag, his fingers into his ears, the food into his mouth*). 7. Gull with lies, hoax. 8. Gorge oneself, eat greedily; hence (-) ~ *ing*¹ n. [vb f. n., OF *estoffe*, cf. Pr., Sp., & Port. *estufa* cloth, It. *stufia* woven piece, etym. dub.; G & Sw. *stoff*, Da. *stof*, are f. the OF] **stuff**'y, a. (Of valley, room, etc., or atmosphere in it) lacking fresh air or ventilation, close, hard to breathe in, fusty; *disapproving, pompous, boring. Hence ~ *iness* n. [-y¹]

stuggy etc. See **stock**.

stil'tiffy, v.t. (Of act, statement, agent, speaker) reduce (previous act etc.) to absurdity, exhibit (act etc. or oneself) in ridiculous light, make (act etc.) of no effect, neutralize (oneself) as agent, by later inconsistent act etc. Hence ~ *ification* n. [f. LL *stultificare* (L *stultus* foolish, -i-, -fy)]

stüm, n., & v.t. (-mm-). 1. Unfermented grape-juice, must. 2. v.t. Prevent from fermenting, secure (wine) against further fermentation in cask, by introduction of antiseptic. [f. Du. *stom* n., *stommen* vb (*stom* a. quiet, cf. G *stumm*)]

stüm'ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Lurch forward, have partial fall, from catching or striking foot or making false step (~ *e along*, go with frequent ~es); make blunder(s) in doing something (~ *es in his speech*; ~ *e through a recitation*); be offended, feel scruples, at; come accidentally (up)on or across; (arch.) give pause to, excite scruples in; ~ *ing-block*, obstacle, circumstance that causes difficulty or hesitation or scruples; hence ~ *ingly*³ adv. 2. n. Act of ~ing. [f. 14th c.; cf. Norw. *stumla*, & STAMMER]

|| **stüm**'er, n. (sl.). Worthless cheque, counterfeit coin or note. [1]

stümp, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Projecting remnant of cut or fallen tree, corresponding remnant of broken branch or tooth or amputated limb, useless end of cigar or pencil, worn-down brush or other implement, stub; (pl., joc.) legs (usu. STR one's ~s). 2. ~ of tree used by orator to address meeting from (on the ~, colloq., engaged in political speech-making or agitation; ~ *oratory*, of kind suitable for such speeches). 3. (Cricket) one of the three uprights of a wicket (OFF, middle, LEG, ~). 4. Cylinder of rolled paper or other material with conical ends for softening pencil-marks & other uses in drawing. 5. vb. Walk stiffly & noisily as on wooden legs. 6. (Of question etc.; colloq.) pose, be too hard for, (*am ~ed*, at a loss, at my wits' end), whence ~ *ing*³ (2) n. 7. (Cricket) put (batsman who is not in his ground) out by disturbing wicket while holding ball, whence ~ *ing*³ (1) n. (sl., ~ *wicket-keeper*). 8. Make ~ *speeches*, traverse (district) doing this. 9. Use ~ *on* (drawing,

line, etc.). 10. || ~ *up* (sl.), pay over the money required, produce (sum). [cf. Du. *stomp*, G *stumpf*; perh. cogn. w. STAMP, STUB]

stūmp' /j/, a. Thickset, stocky, of small height or length in proportion to girth, (a ~y man, book, tail, pencil). Hence ~*ily*² adv., ~*iness* n. [-y²]

stūn, v.t. (-nn-). (Of sound) deafen temporarily, bewilder; (of blow lit. or fig.) knock senseless, reduce to insensibility or stupor, benumb, overwhelm; (part. as adj., sl.) ravishingly good in some respect, splendid, delightful, ripping, whence ~*n'ingly*² adv., & so ~*n'er*¹ n. [prob. f. OF *estoner* ASTONISH]

Stun'dism, **Stun'dist**, (-ōd-), nn. Doctrines, adherent, of a religious body in Russia, orig. of peasants, rejecting ceremonies of Orthodox Church & basing itself on the Bible as translated 1861 into modern Russian. [G *stunde* hour, lesson (the movement originating with German colonists), -ISM, -IST]

stung. See STING.

stunk. See STINK.

stūn'sail, **stūns'** 1, n. -STUDDING-SAIL.

stūnt' 1, v.t. Check growth or development of, dwarf, cramp, (esp. in p.p.). [f. OE *stunt* a. dull, cf. ON *stuttr* short]

stūnt' 2, n., & v.i. (colloq.). 1. Special effort, feat, show performance, display of concentrated energy; advertising device. 2. v.i. Perform ~s esp. acrobatics. [etym. dub.; first in U.S. college athletics]

stūpe' 1, n., & v.t. 1. Flannel etc. wrung out of hot water & applied as fomentation; pledget of soft material used as surgical dressing. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to, foment. [f. L *stup(p)a* tow]

stūpe' 2, n. (sl.). Fool. [for STUPID]

stūp'ēfī, v.t. Make stupid or torpid, deprive of sensibility, (~*fied* with drink, narcotics, grief, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~*facient* (-āshnt) a. & n. (med.), ~*fact*ION, ~*fier*¹ (1, 2), nn., ~*factive* a. [f. F *stupéfier* f. L *stupefacere* (*stupere* be torpid, -FY)]

stūp'en'dous, a. Amazing, prodigious, astounding, esp. by size or degree (a ~ structure, error, achievement; ~ folly). Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*ness* n. [L *stupendus* (*stupere* be amazed at, -ND¹), -OUS]

stūp'ēous, a. (entom.). With long loose scales like tow. [L *stup(p)eus* (*stupa* tow), -OUS]

stūp'id, a. & n. 1. In a state of stupor or lethargy; dull by nature, slow-witted, lacking in sensibility, obtuse, crass, characteristic of persons of this nature, (a ~ person, joke, idea, book, fight; what a ~ place to put it in!), whence **stūp'id'ity** n.; uninteresting, dull, (a ~ place, visit, time). 2. n. (colloq.). ~ person. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. L *stupidus* (as STUPENDOUS, -ND¹)]

stūp'or, n. Dazed state, torpidity, whence

~*ous* a. (med.); helpless amazement. [L (as STUPENDOUS, -OR¹)]

stūp'ōse, a. (bot., zool.). With tow-like tufts of long hair. [as STUPEOUS, -OSE¹]

stūrd' /j/, a. Robust, hardy, vigorous, lusty, strongly built, (~y child, opponent, legs, frame, resistance, courage; ~y beggar, arch., able-bodied but not working). Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~*iness* n. [earlier sense reckless; f. OF *estourdi* amazed, etym. dub.]

stūrd' /j/, n. Vertigo in sheep caused by tapeworm in brain. Hence ~*ie*² (-id) a. [f. OF *estourdie* giddiness (prec.)]

stūr'geon (-jn), n. Kinds of large anadromous fish resembling shark in general shape, having nailed body & head, yielding caviare & isinglass, & esteemed as food. [f. OF *esturgeon* f. med. L *sturionem* nom. -o f. OHG *sturjo*, cf. OE *styrga*; perh. cogn. w. STIR]

Sturm und Drang (shtoom dōnt drahg'). See STORM & stress.

stūt't'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Keep repeating parts, esp. initial consonants, of words in effort to articulate; utter in this way (often out); hence ~*er*¹ n., ~*ingly*² adv. 2. n. Act or habit of ~ing. [obs. *stut* in same sense (cf. G *stossen* strike) + -*er*²; cf. Du. *stotteren*, G *stottern*]

stȳ' 1, n. (pl. -ies), & v.t. & i. 1. (Pig)~, enclosure for keeping pig(s) in, (fig.) mean or dirty hovel or room, place of debauchery. 2. vb. Lodge (t. & i.) in ~. [OE (& ON) *stī*]

stȳ' 2 (pl. -ies), **stȳe**, n. Inflamed swelling on edge of eyelid (usu. a ~ in one's eye). [prob. f. obs. *stȳany* (= *stȳan* eye f. OE *stigend* sty, lit. riser, f. *stȳgan* rise + eye) shortened as though = sty on eye]

Stȳ'gian, a. (As) of the Styx or of Hades, murky, gloomy. [L f. Gk *Stugios* (STYX), -AN]

style' 1, n., & v.t. 1. Ancient writing-instrument, a small rod with pointed end for scratching letters on wax-covered tablets & blunt end for obliterating (whence **stȳl'iform** a.); (poet.) pen or pencil; (transf.) thing of ~-like shape as etching-needle or styloid process in Anat. 2. Manner of writing, speaking, or doing, esp. as opposed to the matter to be expressed or thing done (the ~ is better than the matter; written in a florid, cumbrous, lucid, delightful, ~; different ~s of rowing; slashed about him in fine ~; good, bad, ~, = good, bad, FORM¹). 3. Collective characteristics of the writing or diction or artistic expression or way of presenting things or decorative methods proper to a person or school or period or subject, manner exhibiting these characteristics, (in the ~ of Shakespeare, Raphael, Wagner; the epic, lyric, dramatic, ~; lapidary or monumental ~, fit or resembling that fit for inscriptions on stone; pre-Raphaelite, impressionist, ~, in painting; baroque,

Louis XIV, rococo, renaissance, ~, in architecture or furniture or dress; *GOthic, classical, ROMANesque*, ~, in architecture; *Norman, early English, decorated, perpendicular*, ~s, kinds of esp. ecclesiastical architecture prevailing successively in England 1066-1189, 1189-1272, 1272-1377, 1350-1600, & marked respectively by round arches & heavy pillars, pointed arches & lancet windows & simple tracery, flowing tracery & elaborate ornament, slender pillars & vast windows divided by vertical & horizontal lines; *Tudor, Jacobean, Queen Anne*, ~s, kinds of esp. domestic architecture). 4. Descriptive formula, designation of person or thing, full title, (*is entitled to the ~ of Right honourable, King, Esquire*; *did not recognize him under his new ~*; *my ~ is plain John Smith*; *regret that I am not acquainted with your proper ~*; *old, new*, ~, abbr. *O.S., N.S.*, appended to dates, = so called when reckoned by the Julian, GREGORIAN, CALENDAR¹). 5. Noticeably superior quality or manner esp. in regard to breeding or fashion, distinction, (*there is no ~ about her*, she looks commonplace; *let us do the thing in ~ if we do it at all*), whence *styl'ish¹ a.*, *styl'ishly² adv.*, *styl'ishness n.* 6. Kind, sort, esp. with regard to appearance (*what ~ of house, servant, do you require?*; *a gentleman of the old ~*). 7. Make, shape, pattern, (*this ~ 2/6*; *in all sizes & ~*). 8. v.t. Use specified designation of (*is ~d king, folly*). [ME *stile* f. OF *stile*, *style*, f. L *stilus* incorrectly spelt *stylus* by late writers w. assim. to Gk (foll.)]

style², n. Gnomon of sun-dial. (Dot.) narrowed extension of ovary supporting stigma. [f. Gk *stilos* pillar]

style³, n. (Incorrect spelling for) **STILE**.

styl'ët, n. Slender pointed instrument, stiletto; (Surg.) stiffening wire of catheter, probe. [F, f. It. *STILETTO*]

styl'ist, n. Person with or aiming at good literary style. [-IST]

stylis'tic, a. OF literary style. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [-IC]

styl'ite, n. Medieval ascetic living on top of a pillar. [f. late Gk *stulitēs* (STYLE², -ITE¹)]

styl'ize, v.t. (Usu. in p.p.) conform (artistic representation) to the rules of a conventional style. [-IZE]

styl'ô, n. (colloq; pl. ~s). Stylograph. [abbr.]

style-, comb. form of *styloid* in names of muscles = of the styloid process & —, as ~hy'oid, ~maxill'ary. [f. L as STYLE¹, -ô-]

styl'obâte, n. Continuous basement supporting a row or rows of columns. [f. L f. Gk *stulobates* (STYLE², bainō stand)]

styl'eograph (-ahf), a. Kind of pen containing reservoir of ink & marking with point instead of split nib. Hence

~grâph'ic a., ~grâph'ically adv [STYLE¹, -ô-, -GRAPH]

styl'oid, a. & n. ~ (process), spine projecting from base of temporal bone. [STYLE¹, -OID]

styl'us, styl'us, n. 1. = STYLE¹ (writing- implement). 2. = STYLE². [see STYLE¹]

stym'ie, n. & v.t. (golf). 1. Condition on putting-green when a player's ball lies between opponent's ball & the hole, if the balls are at least six inches apart, as *I laid him a ~*. 2. v.t. Put (opponent, opponent's ball, oneself) into the position of having to negotiate a ~; also fig. [?]

styp'tic, a. & n. (Substance) that checks bleeding. [f. LL f. Gk *stuptikos* (stuphō contract)]

styr'ax, n. Kinds of tree & shrub, some of which yield valuable gums. [L, f. Gk *stûrax*]

Sty'rian, a. & n. (Native) of Styria. [-AN] **Stýx**, n. (Gk Myth.). River encompassing Hades (cross the ~, die; black etc. as ~). [L, f. Gk *Stûx-rûgos*]

Suabian. See SWABIAN.

sū'able, a. That can be sued. Hence **sūabil'ity** n. [-ABLE]

suasion (swā'zhn), n. Persuasion as opposed to force (esp. moral ~). So **suas'ive** (swā-) a. [f. L *suasionem* nom. -o (*suadere* *suas*-urge, cogn. w. foll., -ION)]

suave (swāv), a. Bland, soothing, mollifying, polite, (~ *person, speech, manners, wine, medicine*). Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **suāv'ity** (sw-) n. [F, f. L *suavis* cogn. w. SWEET]

suav'iter (swā-). ~ in *môd'ô*, *sôrt'iter* in *rê*, gently but firmly, with iron hand in velvet glove. [L, = *suavely* in manner, strongly in matter]

süb¹, n. & v.i. (-bb-; colloq.). 1. Subaltern; submarine; subscription; substitute. 2. v.i. Act as substitute for someone. [abbr.]

süb², L prep., = under, in some L phrr.: ~ *fin'em* (abbr. *a.f.*), towards the end (of the chapter etc. referred to); ~ *judicē* (jöö-), under judicial consideration (*newspaper comment on cases ~ judicē is prohibited*), not yet decided, still debatable (*the matter is still ~ judicē*; cf. RES *judicata*); ~ *rôs'a* (-z-), (of communications, consultations, etc.) in confidence, under express or implied pledge of secrecy [lit. under the rose, as emblem of secrecy]; ~ *silen'tio* (-tiô, -shiô), in hushed-up manner, privately; ~ *vô'cē*, abbr. *s.v.*, (in references to dictionaries etc.) under the word in question, under the word —.

sub- (süb, sub), pref. f. L *sub* prep. & *sub*-pref. = under.

1. Many words are from L compounds, in which ~ (or often by assim. etc. *sub-, sub-, sub-, sub-, sub-, sub-*) expresses clearly or obscurely the ideas of lower position (~ *jacēt*, ~ *ordinate*, ~ *scribe*, ~ *stat*, ~ *stance*), motion to this (& *sub-*),

oesopha'geal (OESOPHAGUS), ~**orb'ital** (ORBIT), a; ~**order**, ~**ord'inal**, c (in bot. & zool. classif.); ~**ov'al**, b; ~**pari'etal**, ~**pharyn'geal** (PHARYNX), ~**phren'ic**, a; ~**pil'ose**, b; ~**pleur'al**, a; ~**pod'ar**, b, of nearly polar character or situation, also a, directly below pole of heavens (astron.); ~**pré'ec'ure**, ~**pri'or**, c; ~**pyram'id'al**, ~**quadran'g'ular**, ~**quad'rate**, b; ~**quad'ruple**, ~**quin'tuple**, e; ~**ram'ose**, b; ~**re'ader**, c (in Inns of Court); ~**rectang'ular**, b; ~**rector**, c, rector's deputy; ~**region**, c, division of faunal region; ~**rent** v.t., c; ~**ret'inal**, a (RETINA); ~**rhomboid'al**, b; ~**sac'ral**, a (SACRUM); ~**sat'urated**, ~**satura'tion**, b; ~**scap'ular**, a; ~**section**, c; ~**sen'sible**, a, below the reach of the senses; ~**sep'tuple**, c; ~**ser'ous**, ~**seas'ile**, b; ~**ser'tuple**, e; ~**soil**, d; ~**species**, ~**specif'ic** a., c; ~**sphe'rical**, ~**spin'ous** (SPINE), b; ~**station**, c; ~**stern'al**, a (STERNUM); ~**strat'um** (pl. -*ta* rare), d, what underlies something, lower layer, foundation, basis, (often fig., as *it has a ~stratum of truth*); ~**struc'tion** or ~**struc'ture**, ~**struc'tural**, d; ~**tem'perate**, b (of climate etc.); ~**tenant**, ~**tenancy**, c; ~**term'inal**, b, nearly at the end; ~**terra'n'ean**, a, underground (lit. & fig.), so ~**terrancously**; ~**thora'cic**, a (THORAX); ~**tittle**, c, (also) film-caption; ~**ton'ic** n. (Mus.), a, note next below tonic; ~**transpar'ent**, ~**triang'ular**, b; ~**tribe**, a (zool. & bot. classif.); ~**tri'ple**, ~**trip'licate**, e; ~**trop'ical**, b (of climate, fauna, flora, etc.); ~**ung'ulate**, b, hoofed, but with several digits; ~**urs'ine**, b; ~**variety**, c (in classif.); ~**vert'ebral**, a; ~**vert'ical**, ~**vir'reous**, b; ~**way**, d, ~covered usu. underground way, *underground railway.

subahdar' (soōba-), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Chief native officer of company of sepoys. [Hind. (subah province, dār master)]

sub'altern, a. & n. 1. Of inferior rank, (Log., of propositions) particular, not universal. 2. n. (mil.). Junior officer below rank of captain. [f. LL SUB(alternus ALTERNATE¹)]

subaud'it, v. imperat. Supply (specified word or words) by way of subaudition. [L]

subaud'ition, n. Mental supplying of omitted word(s), understanding of what is not expressed, reading between the lines. [f. L subauditio f. SUB(audire hear)]

|| **subduc'e**, **subduc't**, v.v.t. (rare). Withdraw, deduct, subtract. So subduc'tion n. [f. L SUB(ducere-duc't-draw)]

subdue', v.t. Conquer, subjugate, overcome, vanquish, master, tame, bring into subjection, discipline, (~ *enemies, nature, rough land, one's passions*; ~d by kindness); soften, make gentle, tone down, mitigate, (esp. in p.p., as ~d colour, light, tone, effect, mood, manners, satisfaction, whence ~d'ness (-dūd-) n.). Hence sub-

dū'ABLE a., **subdū'AL**(2) n. [ME *sodewe* f. OF *soduire* repr. in form L SUBDUCERE, but in sense L SEDUCERE, while the E vb has the sense of L SUB(dere put) conquer] **subē'rous**, **subē'ric**, **subē'rose**, aa. Corky, of or like cork. [(ous f. LL *subereus* +OUS) f. L *suber* cork, -ic, -os¹] **subjā'cent**, a. Underlying, situated below. [f. L SUB(jacēre lie), -ENT]

sub'ject', a. & adv. 1. (arch., poet.). Subjacent (*survey the ~ plains*). 2. Under government, not independent, owing obedience to, (a ~ province, tribe; *is held ~*, in subjection; *has long been ~ to France*; *States ~ to foreign rule*; *we are all ~ to the laws of nature, the law of the land*). 3. Liable or exposed or prone to (thing; *persons ~ to gout*; *is very ~ to damage, envy, etc.*). 4. ~ (a. & adv.) to, conditional(ly) upon, on the assumption of, without precluding, (*treaty is ~ to ratification*, not valid unless ratified; *the arrangement is made, or is, ~ to your approval*; ~ to your consent, *I propose to try again*; ~ to correction, *these are the facts*). [ME & OF *suget*, f. L p.p. of SUB(jicere-ject-jacere throw)]

sub'ject', n. 1. Person subject to political rule, any member of a State except the Sovereign, any member of a subject State, (rulers & ~s; *the ~s of the Sultan*; *the loyalty of My ~s*; *the liberty of the ~*, such immunities as are secured to ~s under constitutional rule; fig., as *the ~s of King Shakspeare*). 2. (Log., Gram.) that member of a proposition about which something is predicated, the noun or noun-equivalent with which the verb of a sentence is made to agree in number etc., (~ & predicate are the essential parts of a sentence; *every verb has a ~ expressed or understood, not every verb has an object*). 3. (Metaphys.) thinking & feeling entity, the mind, the ego, the conscious self, as opp. all that is external to the mind (~ & object, the ego & the non-ego, self & not-self, the consciousness & what it is or may be conscious of); the substance or substratum of anything as opp. its attributes. 4. Theme of or of discussion or description or representation, matter (to be) treated of or dealt with, (*never talks on serious ~s*; *proposed a ~ for the debate*; *on the ~ of*, concerning, about; *a tabooed, ticklish, interesting, dull, ~*; *what is the ~ of the poem, story, picture?*; *constantly wanders from the ~*; *pastoral, genre, marine, historical, etc.*, ~ in painting; ~ of piece of music, theme of fugue or sonata, leading phrase, motif; ~ for dissection, or ~, dead body; *was made the ~ of an experiment*; *could write if I could think of a ~*; *change the ~*, talk of something else, esp. as way out of embarrassment). 5. Circumstance that gives occasion for

specified feeling or action (*is a ~ for ridicule, pity, rejoicing, congratulation*).

6. Person of specified usu. undesirable bodily or mental tendencies (*a sensitive, bilious, plethoric, hysterical, ill-conditioned, etc., ~*). 7. ~-heading, in index collecting references to a ~; ~-matter, matter treated of in book etc.; ~-object, object of sense or thought as it is conceived of (opp. *object-object*, as it is in fact). Hence ~LESS a. [f. L masc. & neut. p.p. (prec.)]

subject'², v.t. Subdue (nation etc. usu. to one's sway etc.); expose, make liable, treat, to (*rudeness ~s one to retorts in kind; must be ~ed to great heat; shall ~ it to criticism*). So **subject'ion** n. [f. OF *subjecter* f. L *SUBJECT'*]

subjective, a. & n. 1. (Philos.) belonging to, of, due to, the consciousness or thinking or perceiving subject or ego as opp. real or external things; (pop.) imaginary. 2. (Of art & artists) giving prominence to or depending on personal idiosyncrasy or individual point of view, not producing the effect of literal & impartial transcription of external realities, whence ~NESS, **subjectiv'ity**, nn. 3. (Gram.) of the subject (~ *case*, or ~ as n., the nominative; ~ *genitive*, as in 'by the act of God', cf. *OBJECTIVE*). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. LL *subjectivus* (SUBJECT², -IVE)]

subjectivism, n. Doctrine that knowledge is merely subjective & that there is no external or objective test of truth. So ~IST(2) n. & a. [prec., -ISM, -IST]

subjoin', v.t. Add at the end, append, (illustration, anecdote, etc.). [f. OF *subjoindre* f. L *SUB(jungere junc- join)*]

subjugate (-jōb-), v.t. Subdue, vanquish, bring under bondage or into subjection. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~A'TION, ~ATOR², nn. [f. L *subjugare* bring under the yoke (SUB², *jugum* yoke), ~ATE²]

subjunctive, a. & n. ~ *mood* or ~, a verbal MOOD², obsolescent in English, named as being used in the classical languages chiefly in subordinate or subjoined clauses (cf. *CONJUNCTIVE*; the two names denote the same forms & are occas. used indifferently; occas. ~ is restricted to the subordinate uses while *conjunctive* either includes all uses or is restricted to principal-clause verbs, as in apodosis of conditional sentence). Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *subjunctivus* (SUBJOIN, -IVE)]

sublapsarian, a. & n. = *INFRA LAPSIARIAN*. [SUB- 2a]

sublim'ate¹, v.t. Convert from solid state to vapour by heat & allow to solidify again; (fig.) refine, purify, idealize. Hence ~A'TION n. [as foll., -ATE²]

sublimate², a. & n. Sublimated (substance); *corrosive* ~, mercuric chloride. f. L *sublimare* **SUBLIME**², -ATE²]

sublime¹, a. Of the most exalted kind, so distinguished by elevation or size or nobility or grandeur or other impressive quality as to inspire awe or wonder, aloof from & raised far above the ordinary, (~ *mountain, scenery, tempest, ambition, virtue, heroism, self-sacrifice, love, thought, beauty, genius, poet, etc.*; ~ *indifference, impudence, etc.*, as of one too exalted to fear consequences; *the S~ PORT*; *the ~*, all that is ~, sublimity, whence or cogn. ~LY² adv., **sublim'ity** n.; (Anat.) lying near the surface, not deep-sunk. [f. f. L *sublimis*, perh. f. SUB², *limen* lintel, = reaching up to the lintel]

sublim'e², v.t. & i. Sublimate (lit.), whence ~ER²(2) n.; undergo sublimation; purify or elevate, become pure, as by sublimation; make sublime. [f. OF *sublimar* f. L *sublimare* in med. L sense *sublimate* (prec.)]

sub'mān, n. Man of markedly inferior development or capacity (opp. *SUPERMAN*). [SUB- 2 c]

sub'marine (-ōn; *adj. also -ōn'*), a. & n. 1. Existing, acting, used, constructed, etc., under the surface of the sea, as ~ *plant, volcano, cable*. 2. n. A ~ vessel, esp. a warship capable of operating either on or under the surface, equipped with torpedo-tubes, guns, & periscope, & propelled by diesel engines or electric motors. Hence ~ER¹ (-ōn-) n. [SUB- 2 a]

submerge¹, v.t. & i. Place below water, flood with water, inundate, (also fig.; *the ~d tenth*, the part of the population that is plunged in debt or permanently in distress); (of submarine or its crew or commander) dive, go below surface. Hence or cogn. **submer'gence**, **submer'sion** (-shn), nn. [f. L *SUB(mergere mers- dip)*]

submers'e², v.t., & a. (rare). 1. Submerge (rare exc. in p.p. used in Bot. of parts of plants growing under water). 2. adj. (rare; bot.). ~ed. Hence (in common use) ~IBLE a. [f. L p.p. (prec.)]

submiss'ion (-shn), n. Submitting or being submitted (*shall be satisfied with nothing short of complete ~; demands the ~ of the signature to an expert*); (in legal use) theory etc. submitted by counsel to judge or jury (*my ~ is that, I submit that*); humility, meekness, resignation, acceptance of authority, obedient conduct or spirit, so **submiss'ive** a., **submiss'ive-ly**² adv., **submiss'iveness** n. [f. L *submissio* (foll., -ōn)]

submit', v.t. & i. (-tt-). Surrender oneself for control etc. to (*wives ~ yourselves unto your own husbands*); present for consideration or decision (*should like to ~ it to your inspection; ~ a case to the court*); urge or represent deferentially (*I ~ that a material fact has been passed over*;

also parenth., as *that, I ~, is a false inference*; give way, make submission, yield, cease or abstain from resistance, (*will never ~, ~ to indignity, ~ to being parted from you; had to ~ to defeat, God's will*). [f. L *sub(mittere miss- send)*]

subord'inate¹, a. & n. 1. Of inferior importance or rank, secondary, subservient, (*to; ~ clause*, sentence made by addition of a conjunction or by position to serve as a noun or adj. or adv. in another sentence); hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. Person working under another (*leaves everything to, never trusts, ~s or his ~s*). [f. med. L *sub(ordinatus f. L ordinare ORDAIN)*]

subord'ināte², v.t. Make subordinate, treat or regard as of minor importance, bring or put into subservient relation, (*to*). Hence ~ATION n., ~ATIVE a. [as prec., -ATE³]

subord'nā'tionism (-sho-), n. (theol.). Doctrine that second & third persons of Trinity are inferior to the Father as regards (orthodox view) order only or (Arian view) essence. [-ISM]

suborn', v.t. Induce by bribery or otherwise to commit perjury or other unlawful act. Hence or cogn. **suborna'TION**, ~ER¹, nn. [f. L *subornare* equip or incite secretly]

subpoen'a (-pōn-), n., & v.t. (~ed pr. -ad, ~'d). 1. Writ commanding person's attendance in court of justice. 2. v.t. Serve ~ on. [orig. two words, L, = under penalty, the first in the writ]

subrēp'tion, n. Obtaining of something by surprise or misrepresentation. [f. L *subreptio* purloining f. *sub(riperē rept- = rapere snatch)*]

subrogā'tion, n. (law). Substitution of one party for another as creditor. [f. L *subrogatio -onis* election as substitute; cf. SURROGATE]

subscrib'e¹, v.t. & i. 1. Write (one's name or rarely other inscription) at foot of document etc. (*the ~ed names carry weight; someone has ~ed a motto*); write one's name at foot of, sign, (document, picture, etc.). 2. Express one's adhesion to an opinion or resolution (*cannot ~e to that*). 3. Enter one's name in a list of contributors, make or promise a contribution, contribute (specified sum), to or to a common fund or for a common object, raise or guarantee raising of by ~ing thus. (~e to a charity, for a testimonial, £10; ~e for a book, engage before it is published to take copy or copies; ~e to a newspaper, engage to take it for specified time; the sum needed was ~ed several times over). Hence or cogn. ~ER¹ (the ~er, the under-signed), **subscrip'tION**, nn. [f. L *sub(scribere script- write)*]

sub'script, a. (Gk gram.). Written below (only in *tota ~*, small iota written below &, &, & ō). [f. L p.p. (prec.)]

subseñ'ium, n. (pl. -ia). — MISERECORD (last sense). [L (*sub*², *señla* seat)]

süb'sequent, a. That follow(s) or followed the event etc. indicated in the context, of later time or date than something, posterior in time to. Hence ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *sub*²(*sequi* follow), -ENT]

subserve', v.t. Serve as means in promoting (purpose, end, etc.). [f. L *sub*²(*servire* SERVE)]

subserv'ient, a. Useful as means, having merely instrumental relation, (*to*); cringing, obsequious. Hence ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L as prec., -ENT]

subside¹, v.i. (Of water, esp. flood) sink in level, run off, disappear; (of ground) cave in, sink; (of building, ship, etc.) settle down lower in ground or water; (of suspended matter) fall to bottom, be precipitated; (of person, usu. joc.) sink into sitting or kneeling or lying posture (~d into an armchair); cease from activity or agitation, become tranquil, abate, (storm, tumult, apprehension, excitement, ~s). Hence **süb'sidence** (or *subsi'*) n. [f. L *sub*²(*sidere* settle cogn. w. *sedere* sit)]

subsid'iar'y, a. & n. 1. Serving to assist or supplement, auxiliary, supplementary, whence ~ILY² adv.; (of company) controlled by another holding more than 50 per cent. of its issued share capital; (of troops) subsidized, hired by another nation. 2. n. (Usu. pl.) ~y thing or person, accessory; ~y company. [f. L *sub-sidiarius* (SUBSIDY, -ARY¹)]

süb'sidize, v.t. Pay subsidy to. [foll., -IZE]

süb'sidy, n. (Hist.) parliamentary grant of money to the sovereign for State needs, tax levied on particular occasion; money grant from one State to another in return for military or naval aid or other equivalent; money contributed by State to expenses of commercial undertaking, charitable institution, etc., held to be of public utility. [f. L *subsidium* reserve troops f. *sub*²(*sistere* = *sedere* sit)]

subsist', v.i. & t. Exist, continue to exist, remain in being; keep oneself alive, support life, be kept in life, find sustenance, (*on vegetables, charity, etc., by begging etc.*); provide sustenance for (*undertook to clothe, arm, & ~ 1000 men*). [f. F *subsister* f. L *sub*²(*sistere* set, stand, causal f. *stare* stand)]

subsistence, n. Subsisting; means of supporting life, livelihood, what one lives on or by; ~ money, allowance or advance of pay granted for maintenance. [f. LL *subsistentia* substance (prec., -ENCE)]

süb'stance, n. 1. (Metaphys.) the substratum that the cognizable properties or qualities or attributes or accidents of things are conceived as inhering in or affecting, the essential nature underlying phenomena, (~ & accidents in metaphysics)

correspond to subject & predicate in logic; a ~ is a being subsisting in itself & subject to accidents; being of one ~ with the Father); essence or most important part of anything, pith, purport, real meaning, (I agree with you in ~, generally, apart from details; can give you the ~ of his remarks; the ~ of religion). 2. Material as opposed to form (the ~ is good, but the style repellent). 3. Reality, solidity, solid worth, actual possessions, (sacrifice the ~ for the shadow; there is no ~ in him; an argument of little ~; a man of ~, with property, cf. man of straw; waste one's ~, be spendthrift). 4. Particular kind of matter (a heavy, porous, yellow, transparent, ~; the small number of ~s that make up the world). [OF, f. L. *substantia* (SUB³, stare stand, -ANOR)]

substān'tial (-shl), a. Having substance, actually existing, not illusory, (the ghost proved ~ after all); of real importance or value, of considerable amount, (opp. nominal, verbal; a ~ argument, point; made a ~ contribution, ~ progress, ~ concessions); of solid material or structure, not flimsy, stout, (a ~ house; a man of ~ build); possessed of property, well-to-do, commercially sound, (a ~ yeoman; deal only with ~ firms); deserving the name in essentials, virtual, practical, (~ truth, agreement, success, performance of contract). Hence or cogn. ~ITY (-shl'lt) n., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *substantialis* (prec., -AL)]

substān'tialism (-sha-), n. (philos.). Doctrine that behind phenomena there are substantial realities. So ~ISM(2) n. [-ISM]

substān'tialize (-sha-), v.t. & i. Invest with or acquire substance or actual existence. [-IZE]

substān'tiāte (-shl-), v.t. Prove the truth of, give good grounds for, (charge, statement, claim). Hence ~ATION (-shl-, -shl-) n. [SUBSTANCE, -ATE³]

sub'stantive, a. & n. 1. Expressing existence (the ~ verb, the vb be); having a separate & independent existence, not merely inferential or implicit or subservient or parasitic, (~ enactment, motion, etc., made in due form as such; noun ~, old name for the noun in the now usual sense distinguishing it from the noun adjective now called adjective simply); ~ rank (Mil.), permanent rank in the holder's branch of the army (as opp. brevet, honorary, or temporary rank); hence ~LY³ adv. (esp. in gram., = substantively). 2. n. Noun ~, noun in the now usual sense excluding adjectives; so substantiv'AL a., substantiv'ally³ adv. [OF (-if, -ive), f. LL *substantivus* self-existent (SUBSTANCE, -IVE)]

sub'stitūte, n., & v.t. 1. Person or thing performing some function instead of

another. 2. v.t. Make (person or thing) fill a place or discharge a function for or for another; (vulg.) replace (person or thing)

adv. [f. L. SUB(stituere -ut- = statuere see STATUTE)]

subsume', v.t. Include (instance etc.) under a rule or class. Hence **subsump'tion** n. [SUB-, L. *sumere* sumpt- take]

subtēd', v.t. (geom.). (Of chord, side of triangle) be opposite to (arc, angle). [f. L. SUB(tendere tens- stretch)]

subtēse', n. Line subtending arc or angle. [f. L. p.p. (prec.)]

subter-, pref. = under, less than, esp. in wds formed as opposites to compounds of SUPER-, as ~position, ~human, ~natural. [L. (SUB³, -ter as in INTER³)]

sub'terfuge, n. Attempt to escape censure or defeat in argument by evading the issue, statement etc. resorted to for such purpose, use of such statements etc. [f. L. *subterfugium* f. SUBTER(fugere flee)]

subtil(e) (sū'tl, sūb'til), a. (Arch. for) SUBTLE. Hence or cogn. **sub'tilize**(2, 3) v.t. & i., **subtiliza'tion** n., (sūt-), **subtilty** (sūt'til) n. (arch.). [f. F. *subtil* f. L. *subtilis* perh. orig. = fine-woven (SUB³, tela web)]

subtle (sū'tl), a. Tenuous or rarefied (arch.), pervasive owing to tenuity, (the ~ air, a ~ vapour; of ~ texture, a ~ perfume); evasive, mysterious, hard to grasp or trace, (~ magic, charm, power, art; a ~ distinction); making fine distinctions, having delicate perception, acute, (~ senses, perception, insight; a ~ observer, philosopher, intellect, mind); ingenious, elaborate, clever, (a ~ device, fancy, workman, explanation, policy; ~ fingers); crafty, cunning, (now the serpent was more ~ than any beast; a ~ enemy). Hence **subt'ly**³ (sūt-) adv. [ME & OF *sotil* f. L. as prec.]

subtlety (sūt'tl), n. In adj. senses; also, a fine distinction, a piece of hair-splitting. [f. OF *sotillē* f. L. *subtilitatem* (SUBTIL, -TY)]

sub'tract', v.t. Deduct (part, quantity, number) from or from whole or greater quantity or number, esp. in arithmetic or algebra. Hence or cogn. **sub'trac'tion** n., **sub'trac'tive** a. [f. L. SUB(trahere tract- draw)]

sub'trahēd, n. What is to be subtracted in a subtraction sum. [L. as prec., -ND¹]

sub'ūlate, **sub'ūliform**, aa. (bot., -ool.). Awl-shaped. [L. *subula* awl (suere sow), -ATE³, -I-, -FORM]

sub'urb, n. Outlying district of city (the ~s, all or some of such districts, as a house in the ~s, also the environs). So **suburb'AN** a. [f. OF *suburbe* f. L. SUB(urblum f. urbs urbis city)]

Suburb'ia, n. (usu. derog.). (Quasi-proper name for the suburbs (esp. of London) & their inhabitants. [-IA¹])

subvén'tion, n. Grant of money in aid, subsidy. [OF. f. LL *subventionem* f. SUB- (venire, vent- come) assist. -ION]

subvert', v.t. Overturn, upset, effect destruction or overthrow of, (religion, monarchy, the constitution, principles, morality). Hence or cogn. **subvér'sion** (-shn) n., **subvérs'ive** a. [f. L SUB(*vertere vers-* turn)]

suc-, = SUB- in L compounds of *sub* with words in c- & their derivatives.

succādes' (-dz), n. pl. (commerce). Canded fruits in syrup. [f. OF *succade*, *chucade*, etym. dub.]

succédān'ejum (-ks-), n. (pl. ~a). Substitute, thing or rarely person that one falls back on in default of another. So ~ous a. [neut. of L *succedaneus* (foll., -ANEUS)]

succeed' (-ks-), v.t. & i. 1. Take the place previously filled by, follow (t. & i.) in order, come next (to), ensue, be subsequent (to), come by inheritance or in due order to or to office or title or property, (day ~s day or to day; agitation ~ed calm or ~ed; ~ing ages will reverence his memory; Elizabeth ~ed Mary, ~ed to the throne, ~ed). 2. Have success (in doing etc.), be successful, prosper, accomplish one's purpose; (of plan etc.) be brought to successful issue. [f. F *succéder* f. L *suc(cedere cess- go)*]

succén'tor (-ks-), n. Precentor's deputy in some cathedrals. [LL, f. L *suc(cinere cent- = canere sing)*, -OR²]

succès d'estime (see Ap.), n. Passably cordial reception given to performance or work from respect rather than appreciation. [F]

succès fou, (See Ap.) n. Success marked by wild enthusiasm. [F]

succès' (-ks-), n. Issue of undertaking (rare; with good or bad ~); favourable issue, accomplishment of end aimed at, attainment of wealth or fame or position, (have inquired for it without ~; military ~es; spoilt by ~; nothing succeeds like ~, one ~ leads to others), whence ~FUL a., ~FULLY adv.; thing or person that turns out well (the experiment is a ~; was a great ~ as a bishop); crammer's pupil who passes his examination. [f. L *successus* -ūs (SUCCEED)]

succes'sion (-ksēhn), n. 1. A following in order (esp. in ~; three great victories in ~, running, without intervening defeat). 2. Series of things in ~ (a ~ of disasters, several running). 3. (Right of) succeeding to the throne or any office or inheritance, set or order of persons having such right, (laws regulating the ~; claimed, was excluded from, the ~; in ~ to, as successor of; the ~ must not be broken; is second in the ~; was left to him & his ~, heirs; apostolic ~, uninterrupted transmission

of spiritual authority through bishops from the apostles downwards; law of ~, regulating inheritance esp. in cases of intestate decease; ~ duties, taxes on property passing by ~; the S~ States, those resulting from the partition of Austria-Hungary. 4. (Biol.) order of descent in development of species. Hence ~AL (-ksēsho-) a. [f. L *successionem* (SUCCEED, -ION)]

succès'sive (-ks-), a. Following one after another, in uninterrupted succession, running, consecutive. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *successivus* (SUCCEED, -IVE)]

succès'sor (-ks-), n. Person or thing that succeeds to another (to, of; cf. PREDECESSOR). [OF f. L (SUCCEED, -OR²)]

succinct' (-ks-), a. terse, concise, briefly expressed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *succinctus* f. *SUC(cingere cinct- gird)* tuck up]

succ'ory, n. = CHICORY. [corrupt. of *cicoree* = CHICORY]

***succ'otāsh**, n. Dish of green maize & beans (& salt pork) boiled together. [f. Amer.-Ind. *msiquatash*]

succ'our (-ker), v.t., & i. 1. Come to the assistance of, give aid to, (person in danger or difficulty). 2. n. Aid given at time of need; (pl., arch.) reinforcements, troops coming to the rescue; hence ~LESS a. [vb f. OF *succurre* f. L *suc(currere cura-* run); n. f. OF *socors* f. med. L *succursus* -ūs (succurrere)]

succ'ūba, -bus, n. (pl. -bae, -bi). Female demon having sexual intercourse with sleeping men. [LL (-ba) & med. L (-bus) f. *SUC(cumbere lie)*]

succ'ūlent, a. Juicy (of lit. or fig. food); (Bot.) thick & fleshy, having such leaves or stems. Hence ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY adv. [f. L *succulentus* (succus juice, -LENT)]

succūmb' (-m), v.i. Be overcome, have to cease from resistance or competition or other effort, be forced to give way to, die owing to, die, (~ to one's enemies, superior numbers, grief, temptation). [f. OF *succomber* f. L *suc(cumbere lie)*]

succūrs'al, a. (Of chapel of ease) subsidiary. [f. F (*église*) *succursale* subsidiary (church) f. med. L as SUCCOUR, -AL]

such, a. (no comp. or sup.; placed not between a & its n. but before or after them), & pron. 1. Of the same kind or degree as (~ people, people ~, as these; ~ beauty as yours; experiences ~ as this are rare; ~ grapes as you never saw; ~ as also = of the or a kind that, as ~ a scarlet as makes the eyes ache). 2. So great, so natured in some respect, as to do or that (is ~ as to make one despair; had ~ a fright that she hardly survived it). 3. Of the kind or degree already described or implied or intelligible from the context or circumstances (never had ~ sport; there are no ~ doings now; ~ things make one despair; ~ are the privileges of fatherhood; don't be

in ~ a hurry; how could you leave him at ~ a time?; saw just ~ another yesterday; long may he continue ~!; often colloq. preceding adj. & n. with the effect of so modifying the adj., as *~ horrid language, language so horrid, was it ~ a long time ago?; don't want ~ a big one or ~ big ones*; also rarely used twice as relative & correl., as *~ master ~ servant*, the servant is ~ as the master is). 4. (In legal or formal style) the aforesaid, of the aforesaid kind (*whoever shall make ~ return falsely*). 5. So great!, of a kind that demands exclamatory description, (*we have had ~ sport!, ~ an enjoyable evening!*). 6. Of a kind or degree sufficient to account for the preceding or following statement (*he cannot come too often, he gives ~ pleasure; there was ~ a draught, it is no wonder he caught cold*). 7. (Also *~&~*) particular, of particular kind, but not needing to be specified (*~ an one, ~ a one, arch., ~&~ a person, someone, so-&-so; ~&~ results will follow from ~&~ causes*). 8. *~like*, of ~ kind (now chiefly vulg.; & see below). 9. pron. *~ as*, those who (chiefly arch. or poet. or rhet. *~ as sit in darkness*). 10. That, the action etc. referred to, (*I may have offended, but ~ was not my intention*). 11. *As ~*, as being what has been named (*in country places a stranger is welcome as ~*); *all ~*, persons of ~ character (*so perish all ~!*). 12. (Also *~like*; chiefly vulg.) things of ~ kind (*do not hold with theatres & balls & ~ or ~like*). 13. (vulg. or commerc.). The aforesaid thing(s), it, they or them, (*those who leave parcels in the train cannot expect to recover ~*). [OE *suclic* (swd so. -LY); cf. Du. *zulk*, G *solch* f. OHG *solh*]

suck, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Draw (milk, liquid) into mouth by making vacuum with muscles of lips etc., (fig.) imbibe or gain (knowledge, advantage, etc.); also *~ in knowledge, ~ advantage out of*; draw milk or liquid or sustenance or advantage from (*~ dry, exhaust of contents thus; ~ the breast of; the mother whom he ~ed; ~ed orange, thing in which there is no goodness left; ~ one's brains, extract his ideas for one's own use*); roll the tongue about, squeeze in the mouth, (*~ sweets, one's teeth, etc.*); (of absorbent substance) *~ in* or *up*, absorb; (of whirlpool etc.) *~ in*, engulf; *~ the breast or udder* (part., not yet weaned, as *~ing child, ~ing-pig*; also fig., unpractised, budding, as *~ing barrister, saint!*); *~ something, use ~ing action, make ~ing sound, (sat ~ing at his pipe; pump etc. ~s, makes gurgling or drawing sound; ~ing-disk, sucker)*; || *~ up* (schoolboy sl.), play toady (*to; ~ up n., a toady*). 2. n. Opportunity of ~ing the breast (*give ~, of mother or nurse or animal suckling child etc.*); drawing action of whirlpool etc.; spell of ~ing with lips or in mouth (*take a ~ at it*); small

draught of or of liquor; || (schoolboy sl., pl.) sweets; (schoolboy sl.) disappointment, fiasco, (*what a ~!*, *~s!*, intt. expr. amusement at another's failure after confidence). [OE *sūcan*, cf. L *sugere* *suct-*, G *saugen*, Du. *zuigen*]

suck'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Person or thing that sucks, esp. sucking-pig or new-born whale; (sl.) person of immature mind, greenhorn; kinds of fish that suck in food or have mouth suggesting suction or adhere by sucking-disk. 2. Piston of suction-pump; pipe through which liquid is drawn by suction. 3. (Also *sucking-disk*) flat or concave surface (as organ in some animals, also *acetalabulum*, or artificial of rubber etc. in machinery or appliances) that adheres by suction & atmospheric pressure to what it is placed against. 4. (bot.). Shoot springing from subterranean part of stem, from part of root remote from main stem, from axil, or abnormally from bole or branch. 5. vb. (bot.). Remove ~s from; produce ~s. [-ER¹]

suck'le, v.t. Give suck to. [perh. back form. f. foll.]

suck'ling, n. Unweaned child or animal (*babes & ~s, the utterly inexperienced*). [SUCK vb. -LING¹]

suc'rose, n. Cane-sugar or any of the sugars of the same composition & properties. [F *sucré* SUGAR, -OSE²]

suc'tion, n. Sucking; production of partial vacuum by removal of air etc. for purpose of enabling external atmospheric pressure to force in liquid or produce adhesion of surfaces; *~chamber, -pipe, in ~-pump; ~fan*, for withdrawing chaff etc. from grain by ~; *~plate*, holding set of artificial upper teeth & adhering to palate by ~; *~pump*, drawing water through pipe into chamber exhausted by piston. [L *sugere* *suct-* SUCK, -ION]

suctō'ial, a. (zool.). Adapted for or capable of sucking, having sucker for feeding or adhering. [mod. L *suctorius* (prec., -ORY), -AL]

Sudanese (sūdānēr'). = SOUDANESE.

sūdār'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Kerchief of St Veronica miraculously stamped with face of Christ; any miraculous portrait of Christ; napkin about Christ's head (*John xx. 7*). [L, = handkerchief (*sudor* sweat, -ARY¹)]

sūdātō'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Hot-air bath. [L neut. as foll.]

sūd'atōry, a. & n. 1. Promoting perspiration. 2. n. ~ drug; = prec. [f. L *sudatorius* (*sudare* SWEAT, -ORY)]

sūdd, n. Floating plants, trees, etc., impeding navigation of White Nile. [Arab. = barrier]

sūdd'en, a. & n. 1. Occurring or come upon or made or done unexpectedly or without warning, abrupt, abnormally rapid, hurried, (*~ death, need, fear; a ~*

resolve, departure, change, turn of the wrist, bend in the road; is very ~ in his movements; ~ *death*, (also, colloq.) decision by a single toss of a coin (as against the best of three), decision of a level set at lawn tennis by the issue of the next game; hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. *Of or on a, rarely on the, ~, ~ly*. [f. OF *soudain* f. L *subitaneus* (subitus sudden f. *subire* -it-come up), -ANEUS]]

sudorif'erous, a. Sweat-producing (of glands). [f. LL *sudorifer* (sudor sweat, -FEROUS)]

sudorif'ic, a. & n. (Drug) causing sweat. [L *sudor* sweat, -I-, -IC]

Sud'ra (sōō-), n. Lowest of four great Hindu castes. [Skr.]

suds (-z), n. pl. Froth of soap & water (usu. soap-~). [perh. f. MDu. *sudse* marsh]

sue, v.t. & i. Prosecute (person) in law-court; entreat (person), make entreaty or application to person or law-court, (for redress or a favour, esp. woman's hand in marriage); ~ *out*, make petition in law-court for & obtain (writ, pardon, etc.). [f. AF *suir* f. OF *sivre* (now *sivre*) follow f. pop. L ⁺*sequere* for L *sequi*]

suède (swäd), n. Undressed kid as used for gloves, shoes, etc. (usu. attrib.). [f. F (*gants de*) *Suède* (gloves of) Sweden]

sū'ēt, n. Hard fat of kidneys & loins of oxen, sheep, etc. Hence ~Y² a. [OF *seu* f. L *sebum* tallow, -ET¹]

suf-, =SUB- in L compds with wds in f- & their derivatives.

suff'er, v.t. & i. 1. Undergo, experience, be subjected to, (pain, loss, grief, defeat, change, punishment, wrong, etc.); undergo pain or grief or damage or disablement (~s *acutely*; ~ing *mortals*; was ~ing *from neuralgia*; *your reputation will ~*; *the engine ~ed severely*; *trade is ~ing from the war*), whence ~ER¹, ~ING¹(1), nn. (often pl.). 2. (Of condemned man) be executed (*was to ~ the next morning*). 3. Permit to do, allow to go on, put up with, tolerate, (~ *them to come*; *should not ~ it for a moment*; *how can you ~ him or his insolence?*), whence, chiefly v. neg., ~ABLE a.). [f. OF *suffrir* f. L *suf(ferre)* bear]

suff'erance, n. || (Arch.) submissiveness; tacit consent, permission or toleration implied by abstinence from objection, (esp. on ~, in virtue of such toleration). [f. OF *suffrance* f. LL *sufferentia* (SUFFER, -ENCE)]

suff'ète, n. One of two chief magistrates of ancient Carthage. [f. L *sufes* -etis f. Punic]

suffice', v.i. & t. Be enough (to do, for person or purpose, or abs.), be adequate, (*your word will ~*; *that ~s to prove it*; ~ *it to say that*, I will content myself with saying that); satisfy, meet the needs of, (*half-a-dozen ~d him*). Hence suffi'c-ingly² adv. [ME *sufficen* f. OF *suffire* (part. -fians) f. L *suf(ficere)* = *facere* make]]

suffi'ciency (-shn-), n. || (Arch.) being sufficient, ability, efficiency; adequate resources, a competence, a sufficient amount of or of something. [f. L *sufficiētia* (foll., -ENCY)]

suffi'cient (-shnt), a. & n. 1. Sufficing, adequate esp. in amount or number to the need, enough, (*is ~ to feed a hundred men*; *had not ~ courage for it*; *has impudence ~ for anything*; *have you ~ provisions?*), whence ~LY² adv.; || (arch.) competent, of adequate ability or resources; SELF~. 2. n. Enough, a ~ quantity, (chiefly vulg. *for enough*; *have you had ~?*). [f. L part. (SUFFICE, -ENT)]

suffix'¹, v.t. Append (letter, syllable) in word-formation. [f. L *suffigere* fix-fasten]]

suff'ix², n. Suffixed letter or syllable (cf. *prefix*, *affix*). [f. L p.p. (prec.)]

suff'ocate, v.t. & i. Choke or kill by stopping respiration (of person, superincumbent mass, fumes, etc.); produce choking sensation in, impede breath or utterance of, (~*ated by* or *with grief*, *excitement*, etc.); feel ~*ated*, gasp for breath. Hence or cogn. ~*atingly*² adv., ~*ATION* n. [f. L *suffocare* (SUB², *fauces* throat)]

suff'ragan, a. & n. ~ *bishop* or ~, bishop consecrated to assist bishop of see by managing part of diocese, also any bishop in relation to his archbishop or metropolitan (~ *see* etc., of ~ *bishop*). Hence ~SHIP n. [OF, f. med. L *suffraganeus* assistant (bishop) f. L *suffragari* support with vote (foll.)]

suff'rage, n. Vote, approval or consent expressed by voting, (*the electors gave their ~s for free trade*; also transf., as *the horse has my ~*, I think it preferable); the right of voting in political elections (*the ~, or manhood, woman, universal*, etc., ~; *manhood ~*, extended to all adult males without property tests etc.; *woman ~*, extended to women as well as men; *universal ~*, extended to all adults); (Ecol.) short petition of congregation, esp. one said in response to priest, (arch.) an intercessory prayer. [F, f. L *suffragium*]

suffragette', n. Woman who agitated for woman suffrage. [incorrect use of -ETTE]

suff'ragist, n. One who attaches importance to (esp. some extension of) the suffrage (*woman ~* etc.). [-IST]

suffuse' (-z), v.t. (Of colour or moisture) well up from within & colour or moisten (*a blush, tears, ~d her cheeks, eyes*; often in p.p., as *skies ~d with amethyst*). So suffu'sion (-zhn) n. [f. L *suf(fundere)* fuse-pour]]

suff'i (sōō-), sōf'i, n. Mohammedan pantheistic mystic. Hence ~IC a., ~ISM (S) n. [f. Arab. *ṣūfī* man of wool (ṣūf wool)]

sug-, = SUB- in L compds w. wds in g- & their derivatives.

su'gar (shōō-), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Kinds of sweet crystalline substance prepared

from various plants esp. the ~cane & beet for use in cookery, confectionery, brewing, etc. (*cane, beet, maple*, etc., ~, named from plant of origin; *brown, white, powdered, lump*¹, *castor*², *loaf*¹, ~). 2. Sweet words, flattery, anything serving purpose of ~ put round pill in reconciling person to what is unpalatable. 3. (chem.). Kinds of soluble sweet-tasting fermentable carbohydrate divided according to their composition into glucoses & saccharoses. 4. || ~*basin*, holding ~ for table use; ~*bean*, kinds of pulse & kidney bean; ~*heel*, kinds from which ~ is extracted; ~*bird*, kinds that suck flowers; ~*candy*, candy; ~*cane*, a grass with jointed stems 18-20 ft high from which is made; ~*daddy* (sl.), elderly protector and source of revenue of a (female) gold-digger; ~*gum*, Australian gum-tree with sweet foliage; ~*house*, establishment in which raw ~ is made; ~*loaf*¹; ~*maple*, tree from sap of which ~ is made; ~*mill*, for crushing ~cane & expressing ~; ~*mite*, kind infesting unrefined ~; ~*orchard*, of ~maples; ~*plum*, sweetmeat, esp. small ball of boiled ~; ~*refiner*(y), (establishment of) manufacturer who refines raw ~; ~*tongs*, small tongs for taking up lump ~ at table; hence ~Y², ~LESS, aa., ~INESS n. 5. vb. Sweeten with ~ lit. or fig. 6. (sl.). Used in pass. as euphem. imprecation. 7. || (sl.). Work lazily, not do one's full share of work, not put forth all one's strength, whence ~ER¹ n. [f. OF *zuchre* f. Arab. *sukkar*; cf. Pers. *shakar*, Skr. *ṣarkara* gravel, candy, & Gk *sakcharon*]

suggest' (suj-), v.t. Cause (idea) to present itself, call up the idea of by mention or association, (*thing ~s itself*, comes into the mind); propose (theory, plan, often expressed in *that*-clause) for acceptance or rejection, set up the hypothesis that, (~ed a *retreat*, that they should retreat; *I ~ that*, formula of examining counsel in imputing motives etc. = *I put it to you*, as *I ~ that you had a secret understanding with them*). [f. L *suggerere* gest- bring]

suggestible (suj-), a. That may be suggested; open to hypnotic suggestion. Hence ~INULTRY n. [-IBLE]

suggestible fallacy (suj-), n. Positive misrepresentation not involving direct lie but going beyond concealment of the truth (cf. SUPPRESSIO VERI). [L]

suggestion (suj'shon). n. Suggesting (full of ~, suggesting many ideas, stimulating reflection); theory or plan suggested; suggesting of prurient ideas; insinuation of a belief or impulse into the mind of a hypnotic subject, such belief or impulse. So suggestible a. (of), suggestively² adv., suggestiveness n., (suj-). [OF *suggestiōn*, f. L *suggestiōnem* (-iōn)]

sui', genit. of L *suius* his, her, its, or their,

own: ~ *gen'etis* pred. a., not classifiable with others, unique; ~ *fur'tis* (-oor-) pred. a., of full age & capacity, independent.

sui'cide, n. 1. Person who intentionally kills himself; (Law) ~ of years of discretion & sane mind. 2. Intentional self-slaughter (in law, as in 1; esp. *commit ~*, kill oneself); action destructive to one's own interests or continuance in some capacity (*commit political ~*, ruin one's prospects as a politician; *race ~*, failure of a people to maintain its numbers); hence **sui'cid'AL** a., **sui'cid'al'y**² adv. [formed on false anal. of *fratricide* etc. f. L *sui* genit. of *se* self, -CID- (1, 2)]

sui'lline, a. Of the hog family. [L *suiillus* of pigs (*sus* pig), -INE¹]

suit (sūt), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Suing, petition, seeking of woman's hand in marriage, (*make ~*, urge a humble request; *with lowly ~*; *has a ~ to the king*; *press, push*, etc., one's ~; *prosper in one's ~*). 2. Legal prosecution of a claim, action in law-court, (also *law ~*, ~ *at law*; *criminal, civil*, etc., ~). 3. Any of the four sets (hearts, diamonds, spades, clubs) into which pack of cards is divided (*follow ~*, play from ~ that was led, fig. conform to another's movements); player's holding in it (*long, short*, ~ in whist, of more than three, less than four, cards). 4. Set of man's clothes esp. when of same cloth, consisting usu. of coat, waistcoat, & trousers or knickerbockers or breeches (often ~ of *clothes*; *dress ~*, for evening dress; ~ of *ditto*s; ~ *case*, kind of small portmanteau, whence ~ING³ n.); (in recent use, usu. 2, 3, 4, ~piece ~) woman's costume. 5. Set of sails, set of armour, for simultaneous use. 6. vb. Accommodate, adapt, make fitting or appropriate, to (~ the *action to the word*, carry out promise or threat at once; ~ one's *style to one's audience*); (p.p.) appropriate to, well adapted or having the right qualities for, (*democracy is not ~ed to or for Negroes*; *is not ~ed to be or for an engineer*). 7. Satisfy, meet the demands or requirements or interests of, (*does not ~ all tastes*; *it ~s me* or, prob. w. ref. to betting, *my book to put up with him*; ~ *yourself*, do as you choose, also find something that satisfies you, esp. as servant's formula in giving warning); (of food, climate, etc.) improve or be consistent with the health of, agree with, (*cold, asparagus, does not ~ me*). 8. Comport with or with, go well with appearance or character of, become, (*red does not ~ with or ~s her complexion*; *the part ~s him admirably*; *mercy ~s a king*). 9. Be convenient (that *date will ~*). (vb f. n., f. OF *suite* following f. med. L *secula* (L *sequi* scut- follow)]

suit'able (sūt-), a. Suited to or for, well fitted for the purpose, appropriate to the occasion. Hence ~ANL'TY, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [prec., ~ABLE]

suite (swét), *n.* Retinue, set of persons in attendance; set of things belonging together, esp. ~ of rooms or furniture; (Mus.) instrumental composition, orig. succession of movements in dance style. [F, as **SUIT**]

suit'or (sût-), *n.* Party to lawsuit; petitioner; wooer, man who asks for woman's hand in marriage. [AF **seulor** f. LL **secutor** (L *sequi* follow, -OR⁴)]

suites (swév'â), *mus.* direction instructing accompanist to suit his time etc. to soloist's performance. [F]

Suk'ey (sû-), *n.* (colloq.). ~ or black ~, kettle. [Susan]

sul'câte, *a.* (bot., anat.). Grooved, fluted, channelled. [L **sulcus** furrow, -ATE¹]

sulk, *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. Sulky fit (usu. pl., esp. in the ~s). 2. *v.i.* Be sulky. [f. 18th c. only; etym. dub.]

sul'k'îy, *a.* & *n.* 1. Sullen, morose, silent or inactive or unsociable from resentment or ill temper; hence ~ily² adv., ~iness² *n.* 2. *n.* Light two-wheeled one-horse vehicle for single person. [-Y³]

sull'age, *n.* Filth, refuse, sewage. [prob. f. F as **SOIL**² + -AGE]

Sull'an, *a.* (Rom. hist.). Of, enacted by, L. Cornelius Sulla. [-AN]

sull'en, *a.* & *n.* 1. Passively resentful, unforgiving, gloomy-tempered, unsociable, not responding to friendliness or encouragement or urging, stubbornly ill-humoured, morose, of dismal aspect; hence ~ly² adv., ~ness² *n.* 2. *n.* pl. The ~s, ~ frame of mind, ill temper, depression. [ME **soleyn** lonely (L **solus** SOLE², -AN)]

sull'y, *v.t.* Soil, tarnish. (chiefly poet.); diminish the purity or splendour of (reputation, character, victory, etc.), disgrace. [prob. f. F **souiller** SOIL³]

sul'ph(o), *comb.* forms of **SULPHUR**: ~am'ic, derived from an amic acid of sulphuric acid, so ~amate¹(3); ~ate, salt of sulphuric acid (~ate of copper, blue vitriol; ~ate of iron, green vitriol; ~ate of magnesium, Epsom salts; ~ate of sodium, Glauber's salts; ~ate of zinc, white vitriol); ~ide, compound of sulphur with element or radical; ~ite, salt of sulphurous acid; ~ocyn'ic, containing sulphur & cyanogen; ~onal, a hypnotic & anaesthetic drug; ~onâm'ides, group of synthetic chemical compounds acting as anti-bacterial agents when circulating in the blood-stream or applied locally; ~on'ic acid, any of a group of acids produced by the action of sulphuric acid (~onâ'tion) on various aromatic compounds; ~ovin'ic, of sulphuric acid & alcohol.

sul'phur (-er), *n.*, *a.*, & *v.t.* 1. Pale-yellow non-metallic element occurring in crystalline & amorphous modifications, burning with blue flame & stifling smell, & used in making gunpowder, matches, vulcanite, & sulphuric acid, & in medical treat-

ment of skin-diseases (*flowers, milk, of* ~, yellow, white, powders got by treating ~ in certain ways; *roll, stick*, ~, ~ refined & cast in moulds, brimstone). 2. Kinds of yellow butterfly. 3. Material of which bell-fire & lightning were held to consist. 4. ~bottom (*whale*), Pacific orca with yellow belly; ~ ore, iron pyrites; ~spring, of water impregnated with ~ or its compounds; ~wort, yellow-flowered herb formerly used in medicine; hence ~y² *a.* 5. *adj.* Of pale slightly greenish yellow. 6. *v.t.* Apply ~ to, fumigate with ~. [f. OF **soufre** f. L **sulfur**, -phur]

sul'phûrâte, *v.t.* Impregnate or fumigate or treat with sulphur, esp. in bleaching. Hence ~â'tion, ~â'tor²(2), *nn.* [f. LL **SULPHUR**(atus -ATE²), -ATE³]

sulphûr'êous, *a.* Of, like, suggesting, sulphur; (Bot.) sulphur-coloured. [L **sulphureus** (SULPHUR), -OUS]

sulphûrêtt'ed, *a.* Having sulphur in combination (chiefly in ~ hydrogen, a transparent colourless fetid gas). [obs. **sulphuret** (SULPHUR, -ET¹) sulphide, -ED²]

sulphûr'ic, *a.* (chem.). Containing sulphur in its higher combining proportion (cf. **SULPHUROUS**; ~ acid, oil of vitriol, a dense oily colourless highly acid & corrosive fluid much used in the arts; ~ ether, =ETHER in chem. sense). [f. F **sulfurique** see **SULPHUR**, -IO (chem.)]

sul'phûriz'e, *v.t.* =SULPHURATE. Hence ~â'tion *n.* [-IZE]

sul'phûrous, *a.* =SULPHUREOUS; (Chem.; *pr.* -ûr'us) containing sulphur in its lower combining proportion (cf. **SULPHURIC**; ~ acid). [f. L **SULPHUR**(osus -OSE¹)]

sul'tan, *n.* 1. Moslem sovereign (the *S* ~, hist., ~ of Turkey), whence ~ATE¹ *n.* 2. Kinds of gorgeously coloured bird of rail family; variety of white domestic fowl from Turkey; *sweet, yellow*, ~, kinds of garden flower. [F, f. Arab.]

sul'ta'na (-tah-), *n.* 1. Sultan's mother, wife, or daughter. 2. Mistress of king etc. 3. Sultan-bird. 4. Kind of seedless raisin grown at Smyrna & used in puddings & cakes. [It., f. **sultano** (prec.)]

sul'taness, *n.* =prec. (first sense). [-ESS¹]

sul'tri'y, *a.* (Of atmosphere or weather) hot & close or oppressive; (of temper etc.) passionate. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness² *n.* [f. obs. **sulter** *v.b.* prob. =SWELTER, -Y⁴]

sûm, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* (-mm-). 1. Total amount resulting from addition of items, brief expression that includes but does not specify details, substance, summary, (also ~ total; the ~ of all my wishes is happiness; the ~ of two & three is five; ~, remainder, product, quotient, results of addition, subtraction, multiplication, division; the ~ or ~ & subsequence of his objections is this; in ~, briefly & comprehensively put); particular amount of money (what ~ would you give for it?; for the ~ of 15/-; a good, round, considerable,

~; LUMP¹ ~); (working out of) an arithmetical problem (*good at ~s; did a rapid ~ in his head*). 2. vb. Collect into or express or include as one total or whole (often *up*), gather *up* (evidence, points of argument etc., already treated in detail) into brief review; ~ *up* (Intr.), make recapitulation of evidence or argument (esp. of judge after both sides have been heard; so ~*ming-up* n.). [f. OF *somme(r)* f. L *summa* n. orig. fem. of *summus* highest (SUPER-), *summare* vb]

sūm'ac(h) (-k; also shōd'm'āk), n. (Dried & ground, leaves, used in tanning & dyeing, of) kinds of shrub. [F (-ac) f. Arab. *sumdaq*]

Sūmer'ian, a. & n. (archaeol.). 1. Of the non-Semitic element in the civilization of Babylonia. 2. n. The ~ language, a ~ person. [f. *Sumer*, a district of Babylonia]

summ'arize, v.t. Make or be a summary of, sum up. So ~*ist*(1) n. [foll., -ize]

summ'ar'y, a. & n. 1. Compendious, brief, dispensing with needless details or formalities, done with dispatch, (a ~y account; ~y methods, jurisdiction, etc.); hence ~*ly*² adv. 2. n. Brief account, abridgement, epitome. [n. f. L *summarium*, adj. f. mod. L *summarius*, (L *summa*, -ARY¹)]

summā'tion, n. Addition, finding of total or sum. [f. L *summare*, -ATION]

sūmm'er¹, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Second or hot season of the year, May-July (Astron., 21 June-21 Sep.); INDIAN, || *St Martin's* ~, ~; || *St Luke's* ~, period of fine weather expected about 18th October. 2. (Usu. in pl. with number etc.) year of life or age (a *child of ten ~s*). 3. attrib. Characteristic of or fit for ~ (a ~house, light building in garden etc. for sitting in; ~ lightning, distant sheet lightning; ~ school long-vacation meeting for lectures etc., esp. at university; ~time or ~*time*, the weather or season of ~; || ~*rime*, that indicated by clocks advanced in ~ to facilitate use of daylight; || (British) *double ~ time*, two hours in advance of Greenwich mean time); hence ~*ly*¹, ~*ly*², ~*less*, aa. 4. vb. Pass the ~ usu. at or in place; pasture (cattle) at or in. [OE *sumor*, cf. Du. *zomer*, G. *sommer*, Skr. *samā* half year]

sūmm'er², n. (Also ~tree) horizontal bearing beam, esp. one supporting joists or rafters. [see BREASTSUMMER]

summersault, -set. = SOMERSAULT.

summ'it, n. Highest point, top, apex, highest degree, (the icy ~s of the Alps; at the ~ of power; the ~ of my ambition is). Hence ~*less* a. [f. OF *somet*, *sommette*, (som top f. L *summum* neut. of *summus*, -ET¹)]

sūmm'on, v.t. Demand the presence of, call upon to appear, esp. as defendant or witness in lawcourt, cite, convoke, invite; call upon (town etc.) to surrender; ~ *up*, gather courage; spirit, etc., usu. to

do or for undertaking. [f. OF *somondre* f. L *sub(monēre)* warn]

sūmm'ons (-z), n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. 1. Authoritative call or urgent invitation to attend on some occasion or do something. 2. Citation to appear before judge or magistrate. 3. v.t. Serve with ~. [f. OF *somonse* f. a pop. L fem. p.p. (*summons*) f. L as prec.]

sūmm'um bōn'um, n. The chief good, esp. as the end or ultimate determining principle in an ethical system. [L]

sūmp, n. Pit or well for the reception of (esp. superfluous) water, oil, or other liquid in mines, machines, etc.; cesspool. [earlier sense, now dial., *marsh*; f. MLG *sump* marsh; cf. SWAMP]

sūmp'ter, n. (Arch.) pack-horse or its driver; ~horse, ~mule, ~pony, pack-animals. [f. OF *sommetier* pack-horse driver f. LL **sagmatarius* (= *sagmarius* see BREASTSUMMER) f. Gk *sagma* -alos pack-saddle (*sattō* pack, -M)]

sūmp'tion, n. Major premiss of syllogism. [f. L *sumptio* f. *sumere* sumpt- take = SUP-, *emere* take, buy, -ION]

sūmp'tuāry, a. Regulating expenditure (~ law, edict, etc., limiting private expenditure in the interest of the State). [f. L *sumptuarius* (*sumptus* -ūs cost as prec.)]

sūmp'tūous, a. Rich & costly, suggesting lavish expenditure. Hence ~*ly*² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *sumptueux* f. L *sumptuosus* (prec., -OSE¹)]

sūn, n., & v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. The heavenly body that the earth travels round & receives warmth & light from, such light or warmth or both, (~ *rises*, *sets*, is brought by earth's revolution above, below, the horizon; *his*, *its*, etc., ~ *is set*, time of prosperity or existence is over; *rise with the ~*, get up early; *Order of the Rising Sun*, Japanese order; *hail or adore the rising ~*, curry favour with new or coming power; *empire etc. on which the ~ never sets*, world-wide; *let not the ~ go down upon your wrath*, limit it to one day; *the midnight ~*, seen in arctic & antarctic regions; *nothing new under the ~*, in the world; *mock ~*, parhelion; *Sun of righteousness*, Christ; *see the ~*, be alive; *make HAY while the ~ shines*; *hold a candle to the ~*, prov. of superfluous action; *take*, or sl. *shoot*, the ~ (Naut.), ascertain its altitude in order to fix latitude; *with*, *against*, the ~, CLOCK¹wise, counterclockwise, whence ~*wise* (-z) adv.; ~'s *eyelashes*, ~'s *backstays* (Naut.), ~ *drawing water*, phenomenon given by rays piercing a aperture in cloud & illuminating suspended particles in parallel lines; ~ & planet, system of gearing in which cogged wheel on reciprocating rod both rotates on its axis & travels round the wheel that it engages & communicates motion to; *exclude*, *let in*, the ~; *in the ~*, exposed to ~'s rays; a

place in the ~, fig., favourable situation or conditions; take the ~, expose oneself to ~light). 2. Any fixed star with satellite(s). 3. (poet.). Day or year. 4. (Also ~burner) set of gas-jets, electric lights, etc., massed as one great light in ceiling. 5. ~bath, exposure of naked body to ~; ~beam, ray of ~; ~bird, kinds of small bright-plumaged Old-World birds with resemblance to humming-birds; || ~blind, window-shade; ~bonnet, of linen etc. with projection & pendant back to shade face & neck; ~bow, prismatic bow given by ~light on spray etc.; ~burn, tanning of face etc. by exposure to ~, so ~burnt or ~burned a.; ~burst, firework or piece of jewellery imitating ~ and rays; ~dance, of N.-Amer. Indians in honour of ~; ~dew, kinds of small bog-plant with hairs secreting drops of moisture; ~dial; ~dog¹; ~down, ~set; ~downer, Australian tramp who times his arrival at a station for the evening, (colloq.) a drink at ~set; ~dried, dried by ~ & not by artificial heat; ~fish, large fish of almost spherical shape; ~flower, kinds of tall garden-plant with showy golden-rayed flowers; ~glow, whitish or faintly coloured corona of light occas. seen round ~; ~god, the ~ worshipped as a deity; ~hat, ~helmet, adapted by material or shape to keep ~ off; ~light; ~lit; ~myth, SOLAR myth; ~rays, ultra-violet rays used therapeutically as substitute for ~light; ~rise, (moment of) ~'s rising; ~set, (moment of) ~'s setting, western sky with colours characterizing ~set (attrib., resembling these), (fig.) declining period of life; ~shade, parasol, also awning of shop-window; ~shine, light of (~shine recorder, instrument recording duration of ~shine; ~shine roof, sliding roof of saloon motor-car), surface illuminated by it, fair weather, (fig.) cheerfulness or bright influence, so ~shiny a.; ~snake, ornament found in early N.-Europ. art shaped like S with small circle at centre; ~spot, one of the dark patches, changing in shape & size & lasting for varying periods, occas. observed on ~'s surface; ~star, red starfish with many rays; ~stone, kinds of quartz (esp. cat's-eye) & feldspar; ~stroke, acute prostration from excessive heat of weather; ~up (dial.), ~rise; ~worship(per); hence ~LESS a., ~LESSNESS n., ~LIKE, ~PROOF, aa., ~WARD a. & adv., ~WARDS (-z) adv. 6. vb. Expose to the ~ (~ oneself, bask in ~light); ~ oneself. [OE *sunne*, cf. Du. *zon*, G. *sonne*, ON *sunna*; cogn. w. L *sol*, Goth. *sauiſ*, ON *sól*]

**sūn'dae* (-di), n. Portion of ice-cream mixed with crushed fruit, nuts, etc. [!]
Sūn'day (-di), n. First day of week, Lord's day, observed as day of rest & worship (HOSPITAL, LOW¹, PALM¹, ROGATION, SHOW¹, ~; month of ~s, long period; ~ letter,

dominical letter; ~ best, usu. joc., best clothes kept for ~ use; ~school, for religious instruction on ~s). [OE *sunnan dæg* day of the sun]

sūn'der, v.t. & i. (arch., rhet., poet.). Separate (t. & rarely i.), sever, keep (trans.) apart. Hence ~ANCE n. (rare). [OE *sundrian* (*sundor* asunder), cf. ON *sundra*, G. *sondern*]

sūn'dry, a. & n. 1. Divers, several, (chiefly arch. & joc.; all & ~, each & all, everyone collectively & individually). 2. n. (Austral.) an extra in cricket: (pl.) oddments, accessories or items not needing special mention. [OE *syndrig* (*sundor* see prec., -Y²)]

sung. See SING.

sunk(en). See SINK¹.

sūnn, n. (Also ~ hemp) E.-Ind. hemplike fibre. [f. Hind. *san* f. Skr. *sana*]

Sūnn'[a(h) (-na), n. Traditional portion of Mohammedan law based on Mohammed's words or acts, but not written by him, accepted as authoritative by the orthodox (~ITE¹ or ~I pr. -ē, nn.) & rejected by the Shiites. [Arab. (-a), =tradition]

sunnud. Var. of SANAD.

sūnn'[y, a. Bright with or as sunlight; of the sun (rare); exposed to, warm with, the sun (the ~y side, side of house etc. that gets sun, also fig. the more cheerful aspect of circumstances etc.); cheery, bright in disposition, diffusing cheerfulness. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

sunnyasee. Var. of SAN(N)YASI.

sūp, v.t. & i. (-pp), & n. 1. Take (soup, tea, etc.) by sips or spoonfuls (*he must have a long spoon that ~s with the devil*, parleying with doubtful characters is risky); take supper (*on, off*, specified food); (of food or host) provide supper for. 2. n. Mouthful of liquid (esp. *neither bit or bite nor ~*). [OE *sūpan*, cf. Du. *zuipen*, ON *sūpa*, OHG *sūfan*; partly also f. OF *souper* see SUPPER]

sup-, = SUB- in L compds w. wds in p- & their derivatives.

sūp'er, n. & a. (colloq., shop). 1. Supernumerary actor, (fig.) extra or unwanted or unimportant person etc.; superintendent; expensively produced film designed for exhibition as the principal item in cinema programmes (in full ~film); (Commerc.) superfine cloth or manufacture. 2. adj. Superfine; (of measure) superficial, in square (not linear or solid) measure (120 ~ ft, or 120 ft ~). [abbr. *supernumerary*, *superfine*, *superficial*]

sūp'er-, pref. f. L *super* prep., *super-* pref., over, beyond [comp. form f. SUB¹, cf. Gk. *hyper*, Skr. *upari*]. 1. In adj]. (& their derivv.) formed on anal. of L *supernumerarius* f. L plur. consisting of *super* & n. governed by it; *super numerum* = beyond the number, ~numerary = being

beyond the number. The distinguishable varieties of meaning are:

a. situated directly over, as *~columnar* above columns, *~humeral* over the shoulder;

b. not in or under but above, as *~aqueous*, *~terrene*, *~celestial*, above water, earth, sky;

c. exceeding, going beyond, more than, transcending, too exalted for contact or connexion with, as *~normal* beyond the norm, *~natural* beyond what nature will account for, *~sensible* out of reach of sense, *~ethical* above the sphere of ethics.

2. In vbs & adj. & their derivs. adapted from or made on anal. of L wds to which *~* was prefixed with advl sense. Varieties of meaning are:

a. on the top of something, as *~impose*, *~scribe*, *~stratum*;

b. observation from above, as *~intend*, *~vision*, *~vise*;

c. besides, in addition, as *~add*, *~erogation*, *~festation*;

d. to a degree beyond the usual or the right, as *~eminent*, *~saturate*, *~subtle*.

3. In nn. & their derivs. on anal. of L *superficies* (*facies* face) in which *~* is prefixed w. adj. force;

a. upper or outer, as *~canopy*, *~cilious*, *~hive*;

b. of higher kind, in higher than the ordinary sense, esp. in names of classificatory divisions, as *~class* group including more than one class;

c. in the second degree, as *~parasite* the parasite of a parasite, *~tuberation* the forming of tubers on tubers.

4. In math. wds expressing ratio on anal. of L *superterius* exceeding by $\frac{1}{2}$, *~bipartient* or *~bitertial* = exceeding by $\frac{1}{2}$ or in the ratio 5:3; *~biquintal* in ratio 7:5; *~tripartient* or *~triquintal* = in ratio 7:4; *~quadrupartient* or *~quadrquintal* = in ratio 9:5; *~sesquialateral* in ratio 5:2; *~sesquicertial* in ratio 7:3.

~abound v.i., *~abundant* n., *~abundant* v.i., *~abundantly* adv., 2d; *~add* v.t., *~addition* n., 2c; *~altar* (-awl-) n., 3a, slab of stone consecrated & placed on unconsecrated altar; *~anal* a., 1a (ANUS); *~angelica*, 1c; *~annuāte* v.t., 1c (L *annus* year), declare too old for work or use or continuance, dismiss or discard as too old, require the removal from school of (a pupil who has failed to reach a certain educational standard), send into retirement with pension, (p.p.) past work or use, so *~annuātion* n.; *~aqueous* a., 1b; *~bipartient*, *~biquintal*, *~bitertial* (-shal), aa., 4; *~candelated* a., 2d; *~canopy* n., 3a; *~cargō* n. (pl. oes), 1, person in merchantship managing sales etc. of cargo [f. Sp. *sobrecargo*]; *~cellēstial* a., 1b, also 1c = *angelic*; *~charger* n., 2d, pump used in motor-cars & aeroplanes to force an extra

quantity of explosive mixture into cylinders of engine & so increase the power output; *~cil'iarý* a., 3a (L *supercilium* eyebrow f. *cilium* eyelid cf. Gk *kula* parts below eye), of the brows, over the eye; *~cil'ious* a., *~cil'iously* adv., *~cil'iousness* n., 3a [f. L.L. *superciliosus* w. ref. to raised eyebrows, see prec.], contemptuous, showing haughty indifference, assuming superiority; *~civilized* (-zd) a., 2d; *~class* (-ah-) n., 3b; *~column'ar* a., *~columniā'tion* n., 1a, placing of one architectural order over another; *~cool* v.t., 2d, cool (a liquid) below its freezing-point, without solidification; *~dread'* *nought* (-drəd'nawt) n., 1c, battleship more powerful than the Dreadnought type; *~elevā'tion* n., 3b, amount by which outer rail at a curve is higher than inner; *~ēm'inent* a., 2d; *~erogā'tion* n., 2c [f. L. *supererogare* pay out beyond what is expected], doing of more than duty requires (esp. *works of ~erogation* in Theol., such as form a reserve fund of merit that can be drawn on in favour of sinners), so *~erog'atory* a.; *~ēth'ical* a., 1c; *~ēx'cellent* a., *~ēx'cellence*, *~ēxcitā'tion*, nn., 2d; *~fāmily* n. (biol.), 3b; *~fāt't'ed* a., 2d (of soap); *~fēcondā'tion*, *~fētā'tion*, nn., 2c, second conception occurring during gestation; *~fi'cial* (-ishl) a., *~fi'cial'ity* (-ishl-) n., *~fi'cially* adv., 3a (foll.), of or on the surface only, not going deep, without depth, (*~fi'cial* colour, resemblance, knowledge, wound, accomplishments; a *~fi'cial* person, with no reserve of knowledge or feeling behind what he shows), (of measure) square (see SUPER a.); *~fi'cies* (-shiez) n. (pl. the same), 3a [L. f. *facies* face], a surface; *~fine* a., 2d, (commerce), of extra quality, (gen.) affecting great refinement; *~flu'ity* (-loo-) n., 2d (foll.), *~fluuous* amount (*give of one's ~fluuity*), thing not needed; *~fluuous* (sōp'p'floo-) a., *~fluuously* adv., *~fluuousness* n., 2d (L *superfluus* f. *fluere* flow), more than enough, redundant, needless; *~heat'* v.t., 2d, (esp.) heat (steam) to temperature higher than that of boiling water, so *~heat'ed* (2) n.; *~hive* n., 3a, removable upper compartment of hive; *~hūm'an* a., *~hūm'anly* adv., 1c; *~hūm'eral* n., 1a (L *humeral*), Jewish ephod, also amice¹, also archiepiscopal pallium; *~impōse'* (-z) v.t., 2a, lay on or on something else; *~imprēgnā'tion* n., 2c, fecundation; *~incūm'bent* a., 2a, lying on something; *~indūce'* v.t., 2c, develop or bring in as an addition; *~institū'tion* n., 2c, institution of person into benefice already occupied; *~intēnd'* v.t. & i., 2b (L *intendere* attend to), have the management (of), arrange & inspect working (of), so *~intēnd'ence* n., *~intēnd'ent* a., person who *~intends*, || police officer above rank of inspector; *~jā'cent* a., 2a (L *jacere* lie), *~incum-*

bent; ~**lative** (sôbôr-^t) a. & n., 2d [f. LL *super(lativus* f. *ferre lat-* carry)], of the highest degree (~*lative wisdom, beauty, etc.*); ~*lative degree* in Gram., the forms of the adjective & adverb by which the highest or a very high degree of a quality is expressed, as *bravest, most absurdly*), so ~**latively** adv., ~**lativeness** n., (n.) the ~*lative degree or form (not used in the ~lative; what is the ~lative of shy?)*, a word in the ~*lative (his talk is all ~latives, he exaggerates)*; ~**lun'ar**(y) (-lô-) a., 1b, (esp.) not of this world; ~**mân** n., 3b, OVERMAN; ~**méd'ial**a., 1a; ~**môl'écule** n., 3b, compound molecule, combination of molecules acting as physical unit; ~**mûn'dâne** a., 1c, superior to earthly things; ~**nâc'ûlum** adv. & n., 1 [mod. L *vacuum* finger-nail f. G *nagel*], || *drink* ~*vacuum*, to the bottom (w. ref. to pouring of the last drop on thumbnail), (n.) choice wine worthy of being so drunk; ~**nâ'tant** a., 2a (NATATION), floating on surface; ~**nâ'tural** (-cher-) a., ~**nâ'turally** adv., ~**nâ'turalness** n., 1c, due to or manifesting some agency above the forces of nature, outside the ordinary operation of cause & effect, so ~**nâ'turalism**, ~**nâ'turalist**, belief, believer, in the ~*natural*, ~**nâ'turalize**, elevate into the ~*natural region*; ~**nôrm'al** a., 1c; ~**nûm'erarý** a. & n., 1c, (person or thing) in excess of the normal number, esp. extra person engaged for odd jobs; ~**nûtri'tion** n., 2d; ~**ôctave** (-iv) n., 3c, organ-stop two octaves above principal; ~**ôrd** n., ~**ôrd'inal** a., 3b (in classif.); ~**ôrd'inarý** a., 1c; ~**ôrgân'ic** a., 1c (of psychical things considered apart from the organisms in which they are manifested), also, 3b, social, organic in a higher metaphorical sense; ~**ôxygênâ'tion** n., 2d; ~**pâ'rasite** n., ~**pârasit'ic** a., 3c; ~**phôs'phâte** n., 2d, phosphate with greatest possible proportion of phosphoric acid; ~**phý'sical** (-z-) a., 1c; ~**pôse'** (-z) v.t., ~**posi'tion** (-z-) n., 2a, lay (thing) on or (upon) another; ~**sâc'ral** a., 1a (SACRUM); ~**sât'ûrâte** v.t., ~**sâtû-râ'tion** n., 2d; ~**scribe** v.t., 2a [f. LL *super(scribere script-* write)], write (in-scription) at top of or outside something, write inscription over or on (thing), so ~*scripta*, written above the line, superior, ~**scrip'tion** n., ~*scribed word(s)*; ~**sêde'** v.t. [f. OF *superseder* desist f. L *super(sedere* *cess-* sit) desist from], set aside, cease to employ, adopt or appoint another person or thing in place of, (of person or thing appointed or adopted) take the place of, oust, supplant; ~**sên'sible** a., 1c; ~**sên'sitive** a., 2d; ~**sên'sûal**, ~**sên'suous**, aa., 1c, ~*sensible*; ~**sês-quitê'ral**, ~**sêsquitê'ral** (-shal), aa., 4; ~**sês'sion** (-shn) n., ~*seeding or being*

~*seeded*; ~**sôl'ar** a., 1b; ~**sôlid** n., 3b, a solid of more than three dimensions; ~**sôn'ic** a. & n., 1c (L *sonus* sound), relating to sound-waves of such a high frequency as to be inaudible, (of speed) greater than that of sound, (of aircraft etc.) travelling at ~*sonic speed*, (n. pl.) high-frequency sound-waves, study of these; ~**spi'ritual** a., ~**spiritûal'ity** n., 2d; ~**stî'tion** n., 2b [OF, f. L *super(stitionem* f. *stare stat-* stand) perh. orig. = standing over in awe], credulity regarding the ~*natural, irrational fear of the unknown or mysterious, misdirected reverence, a religion or practice or particular opinion based on such tendencies*, so ~**stî'tious** (-shus) a., ~**stî'tious-ly** adv., ~**stî'tiousness** n.; ~**strât'um**, ~**strûct'ion** or ~**strûcture** nn., ~**strûc'tural** (-cher-) a., 2a; ~**sub-stân'tial** (-shl) a., 1c; ~**subtle** (-sû'tl) a., ~**subtlety** (-sû'tl'ti) n., 2d; || ~**tâx** n., 3b, (1909-29) tax on incomes above \$5,000 p.a. levied in addition to ordinary income tax; ~**tellû'ric** a., 1b (L *tellus -uris* the earth); ~**têm'poral** a., 1a, above the temples of the head, also 1c, transcending time; ~**têrrêne**, ~**têrrê's'trial**, aa., 1b; ~**tôníc** n., 1c, tone in musical scale next above tonic; ~**tripârt'i'ent**, ~**triquar'tal** (-ôr), aa., 4; ~**tûberâ'tion** n., 3c; ~**vacân'eous** a., 2d [f. L *super(vacaneus* f. *vacare* be empty)], ~*fluuous*, unnecessary; ~**vêne'** v.i., 2a [f. L *super(venire* vent- come)], occur as an interruption to or change from some condition or process, so ~**vên'tion** n.; ~**visê'** (-z) v.t., 2b (L *videre vis-* see), direct or watch with authority the work or proceedings or progress of, oversee, so ~**vi'sion** (-zhn) n., ~**visor** (-z-) n., ~**vis'ory** (-z-) a. **sûp'erable** a. Not insuperable. [f. L *superabilis* f. *superare* overcome (*super* over, see prec.), -ABLE] **superb'** (sôb-, sû-), a. Of the most impressive or splendid or exalted kind, grand, (~ *beauty, courage, impudence; a view, display, collection, specimen, voice, binding*). Hence ~**ly** adv. [f. L *superbus* proud] **sûperhêt'erodyne**, n. & a. (Using) a system of wireless reception in which a local variable oscillator is tuned to beat at a constant ultrasonic rate with carrier-wave frequencies, thus making it unnecessary to tune the amplifier & securing great selectivity; abbr. *sûperhêt'*. [f. *SUPER(SONIC)* + *HETERODYNE*] **super'ior** (sôb-, sû-), a. & n. 1. Upper, in higher position, of higher rank, (~ *officer, rank, court*); ~ **LMRT**¹; ~ *genus*, higher in the classificatory series & so more comprehensive; ~ *wings*, folding over others; ~ *figures or letters*, written or printed above the line; ~ *limb of sun* etc., upper

edge; (Bot., of calyx or ovary) placed above the ovary or calyx). 2. Better or greater in some respect, related as the better or greater to, (*by ~ wisdom, cunning, etc.*; *is ~ in speed to any other machine*; ~ *numbers*, esp. more men or their presence, as *was overcome by ~ numbers*). 3. Of quality or qualities above the average, having or showing consciousness of such qualities, (*made of ~ leather*; *my cook is a very ~ woman*; ~ *persons*, the better educated etc., also & usu. iron., *prigs*; *he remarked with a ~ air*). 4. Above giving attention or yielding or making concessions to (~ to *bribery, temptation, revenge, fortune*; *rise ~ to*, be unaffected by); hence or cogn. *superiōrity* (or -*pē*) n., ~*ly*² adv. (chiefly in describing position in Bot., Anat., etc.). 5. n. One's better, person ~ to one, in rank or in some respect (*is deferential to his ~s*; *you are my ~ in ability & I yours in application*; *has no ~ in courage*). 6. Head of monastery etc. (often *Father, Mother, Lady, S~*). whence ~*ess*¹ n. (rare). [OF, f. L *superiorem* nom. -or, comp. of *superus* high (*super* above, see *SUPER*-)]

supērnal, a. (poet., rhet.). Heavenly, divine, of the sky, lofty. [OF, f. L *supernus*, -AL]

supersēd'ēds, n. Writ staying proceedings. [L 2 sing. pres. subj. as *SUPERSEDE*]

sup'iniāte, v.t. Turn (hand) palm upward (cf. PRONATE). Hence or cogn. ~*ation* n., ~*ator*²(2) n. (as name of two muscles). [L *supinare* (foll.), -*ATE*³]

sup'ine¹ (or -in'), a. Lying face upward (cf. PRONE); disinclined for exertion, indolent, lethargic. Hence *supine'ly*² adv., *supine'ness* n. [f. L *supinus* (st. of *SUPER*-, -*INE*¹)]

sup'ine², n. (L gram.). Verbal noun with accusative in -um & ablative in -u formed from p.p. st of L vbs & used in special constructions. [f. L (*verbum*) *supinum* (prec., sense doubtful)]

supp'er, n. A meal taken at the end of a day, the last meal of the day when dinner is not the last. Hence ~*less* a. [f. OF *soper* (now *souper*) f. *soper* take supper, etym. dub.]

supplant (-ah-) v.t. Oust & take the place of esp. by underhand means. Hence ~*er*¹ n. [f. OF *supplanter* f. L *sup(plan)tare* f. *planta* sole] trip up]

sup'ple, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Easily bent, pliant, flexible; given to compliance, avoiding overt resistance, wanting in sturdiness of character, artfully submissive, fawning; ~*jack*, (walking-cane of) kinds of strong twining shrub; hence ~*ness* n., *sup'ply*² adv. 2. vb. Make or grow (~ *horse*, train him to obey slightest touch of rein). [f. OF *souple* f. L *sup(plex)-ptilis* f. *pticare* fold) submissive]

sup'plément¹, n. Thing added to supply deficiencies, esp. fuller treatment of special subject issued with newspaper etc.; (Math.) the angle that added to another will make the sum two right angles. Hence ~*al*, ~*ary*¹, aa., (-*mēn*)². [f. L *sup(plementum* f. *plēre* fill, -*MENT*)]

supplément'¹, v.t. Make addition(s) to. Hence ~*ation* n. [f. prec.]

supp'liant, a. & n. 1. Supplicating, expressive of supplication; hence ~*ly*² adv. 2. n. Humble petitioner. [F (*supplier* f. L as foll., -*ANT*)]

supp'licāte, v.t. & i. Make humble petition to or to person or for or for thing. Hence or cogn. ~*atingly*² adv., ~*ation* n., ~*atory* a. [f. L *supplicare* (*supplex* SUPPLE, -*ATE*³)]

supply¹, v.t., & n. 1. Furnish, provide, (thing needed, or person, receptacle, etc., with or with thing needed), whence *suppli'er*¹ n.: make up for, meet, serve to obviate, (deficiency, need, loss); fill (place vacancy, pulpit) as substitute. 2. n. Providing of what is needed (*Committee of S~*, House of Commons discussing details of estimates for public service; ~ *department*, charged with ~ing some need, esp. stores & provisions for army etc.); stock, store, amount of something provided or at hand or get-at-able, (~ & demand in Pol. Econ., chief factors regulating price of commodities; *an inexhaustible ~ of fish, coal, etc.*; *goods are in short ~*, scarce; *water etc.~*), (pl.) collected necessities for army etc.; (pl.) grant of money by Parliament for cost of government, money allowance to person (*his father cut off the supplies*). [n. f. vb, f. OF *supplioier* f. L *sup(plēre* fill)]

support¹, v.t., & n. 1. Carry (part of) weight of, hold up, keep from falling or sinking, (*foundation, buttress, ~s house, wall*; ~ed by a *lifebell*; *had to be ~ed home*). 2. Enable to last out, keep from failing, give strength to, encourage, (*what ~ed him or his strength was a glass of brandy, a good conscience, hope, your approval*; *too little food to ~ life*). 3. Endure, tolerate, (~ *s fatigue well*; *I can ~ life, such insolence, no longer*), whence ~*able* a., ~*ably*² adv. 4. Supply with necessities, provide for, (~ a *family*). 5. Lend assistance or countenance to, back up, second, further, (~ a *cause, policy, team, leader, candidate*; ~ *actor* or other performer, take secondary part to him; ~ing *film, picture*, less important one in programme; ~ *resolution* etc., speak in favour of it; ~ *lecturer* etc., appear on his platform; ~ *institution*, subscribe to its funds). 6. Bear out, tend to substantiate, bring facts to confirm, (statement, charge, theory, etc.). 7. Keep up or represent (part, character) adequately.

8. n. ~ing or being ~ed (*give ~ to; requires ~; gets no ~; troops stationed in ~, as reserve; ~ trench, the second of three lines, between fire-trench & reserve trench; speak in ~ of, advocate*); person or thing that ~s (*shelf must have another ~; he is the chief ~ of the cause*); hence ~LESS a. [f. F *supporter* f. L *SUP*(*portare* carry)]

support'er, n. In vbl senses; esp., (Her.) representation of living creature holding up or standing (usu. as one of pair) beside an escutcheon. [-ER¹]

suppōse' (-z), v.t. 1. Assume as a hypothesis (*let us ~ a second flood; well, ~ it was so; in part, or imperat. with conjunctive force = if, as supposing while were black you would be right; ~ your father saw you what would he say?; also in imperat. as formula of proposal, as ~ we went for a walk, ~ we try another*). 2. (Of theory, result, etc.) require as a condition (*that ~s mechanism without flaws; design in creation ~s a creator*). 3. Take for granted, presume, assume in default of knowledge, be inclined to think, accept as probable, (*I ~ we shall be back in an hour; you cannot ~, it is not to be ~d, that; I ~ he won't or I don't ~ he will come; what do you ~ he meant?; I ~ so, form of hesitating assent; also abs. in parenth., as you will not be there, I ~*). 4. Be ~d, have as a duty (*he is not ~d to clean the boots*). 5. p.p. Believed to exist, believed to have specified character, (*the ~d music of the spheres; his ~d brother, generosity*), whence **suppōs'ediv'** (-z) adv. Hence or cogn.

suppōs'ABLE (-z-) a., **suppōs'ITION** (-zi-) n. [see below], **suppōs'ITIONAL** (-zisho-) a., **suppōs'ITIONALY**¹ adv., **suppōs'itious**(2) (-zishus) a., hypothetical, assumed. [f. F *SUP*(*poser* POSE¹); *supposition* etc. f. L *SUP*(*positionem* f. L *ponere* posit- place, -ION), cf. DEPOSITION]

suppōs'itious (-zishus) a. Substituted for the real, spurious, (~ *child, writings*). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *suppositicius* f. *SUP*(*ponere* posit- place) substitute, -ITIUS¹]

suppōs'itory (-z-), n. (med.). Cone or cylinder of medicinal substance introduced into rectum or vagina or uterus & left to dissolve. [f. LL *suppositorium* (prec., -ORY)]

supprēss', v.t. Put down, quell, put an end to activity or existence of, (rebellion, sedition, agitators, conscience, piracy, monasteries, etc.); restrain, keep in, not give vent to, withhold or withdraw from publication, keep secret, not reveal, (groan, yawn, feelings, name, book, evidence, facts); (p.p., of a disease) checked in its normal course (~ed *measles* etc.). So ~IBLE a., **supprē'ssion** (-shn), ~OR¹, nn. [f. L *SUP*(*primere* press- = *premere* press)]

supprē'ssō cōr't, n. Suppression of

truth, misrepresentation by concealment of facts that ought to be made known. [L]

sūpp'ūr'āte, v.i. Form pus, fester. So ~A'TION n., ~ATIVE a. [L *SUP*(*purare* f. PUS), -ATE¹]

sūp'ra, adv. Above; previously, before (in a book or writing). [L, =above]

sūpra-, pref. f. L *supra* adv. & prep. above, freely used in forming anat. terms indifferently with *SUPER-* 1a, as ~clavic'ular above the clavicle, ~orb'ital above the eye-sockets, ~rēn'al above the kidney, or with *SUPER-* 3a, as ~maxill'ary a. & n., (of) the upper jaw; also in other wds w. sense over, beyond, before, after, often in contrast with compds of *INFER-*, *SUB-*, as ~min'dane above or superior to the world, ~laps'arian(ism) a. & nn., (holding, holder of) doctrine that God's decrees of election & reprobation were not due to the Fall but preceded it & his prescience of it (cf. *INFERALATARIAN*); ~pro'test, acceptance or payment of bill by third person after protest for non-acceptance or non-payment.

suprēm'acy (sōō-, sū-), n. Being supreme, highest authority, (*dict. oath, of ~, securing ecclesiastical ~ to the Crown & excluding the authority of the Pope*). [foll., -ACY(2)]

suprēme' (sōō-, sū-), a. & n. Highest in authority or rank (*the S~ Being or the S~ as n., God; S~ Council of the Allies, small body, also the Big Four, Five, settling by conference the Allied common policy 1919-21, each Great Power having a representative; S~ Court of JUDICATURE; ~ end or good, SUMMUM BONUM; ~ Pontiff, the Pope*); greatest possible, uttermost, extreme, last & greatest or most important, (~ *wisdom, courage, etc.*); the ~ test of fidelity; a or the ~ hour, moment, etc.). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *supremus* superl. of *superus* see *SUPRA-*]

sur-¹, =*SUB-* in some L compds w. wds in r- & their derivatives, as *surge, surreptitious*.

sur-², =*SUPER-* in many wds taken into E f. OF, as *surcharge, surface, surloin, surprise, surrender*, also sometimes for *super-*, *supra-*, in anat. wds as *surrenal* SUPRARENAL.

sura(h') (soor'a), n. Chapter of Koran. [Arab.]

sūr'ah' (-a), n. Kind of soft twilled usu. one-coloured silk. [perh. f. *Surat* in India]

sūr'al, a. Of the calf of the leg (~ *artery* etc.). [L *sura* calf, -AL]

surāt' (sōō-), n. Kind of cotton gown, kind of cotton cloth made, in the Bombay Presidency. [place-name]

|| **surcease'** (ser-), n., & v.i. (arch.). 1. Cessation. 2. v.i. Cease. [AF *suraise* delay, orig. fem. p.p. of OF *surseoir* f. L as *supercede*, w. assim. to *cease*]

surcharge, n., & v.i. 1. (sēr'chāj).

Excessive or additional load or burden or amount of money charged; supply of force, electricity, etc., in excess of what is required; additional charge made by assessors as penalty for false returns of taxable property; mark printed on postage-stamp changing its value; amount in official account not passed by auditor & having to be refunded by person responsible; showing of omission in account for which credit should have been given. 2. v.t. (serchârj'). Overload, fill or saturate to excess; (of assessor, auditor) exact ~ from, exact (sum) as ~, fine (person sum) as ~; show omission of credit in (account). [f. OF *surcharge(r)*, see SUR-]

surcingle, n., & v.t. Band round horse's body rarely as saddle-girth, usu. to keep blanket etc. in place; girdle of cassock; (vb) gird (horse), fasten (blanket etc.), with ~. [f. OF *surcingle* girth f. L *cingula* f. *cingere* gird]

surcoat, n. (hist.). Loose robe worn over armour; 15th-16th-c. woman's jacket. [OF *sur* (cote) *coat*]

surculöse, -lous, aa. (bot.). Producing suckers. [f. L *surculosus* (*surculus* sucker, -osus), -ous]

surd, a. & n. 1. (math.). Irrational (a. & n.). 2. (phonet.). (Consonant, consonantal sound) uttered with the breath & not the voice (as p, t, s, cf. *sonant* or *vocal* of b, v, z). [f. L *surdus* deaf, noiseless; math. sense by mistransl. into L of Gk *alogos* (1) irrational, (2) speechless]

sure (shoor), a. & adv. 1. Having or seeming to have adequate reason for belief, convinced of or (that), having certain prospect or confident anticipation or satisfactory knowledge of, free from doubts of, (are you ~?; you may be ~ of his honesty, he is or that he is honest; he feels or is ~ of success; I did not feel ~ of my company, could not feel ~ about it; if one could be ~ of living to 70; I'm ~ I didn't mean to hurt you, form of asseveration; well, I'm ~!, excl. of surprise). 2. Safe, reliable, trusty, unfailing, (sent it by a ~ hand; put it in a ~ place; a ~ shot, marksman who never misses; a ~ draw, covert certain to yield fox, remark etc. certain to draw person; ~ card, scheme etc. certain to succeed; SLOW & ~; there is only one ~ way; ~-footed, never stumbling or making false step lit. or fig.). 3. To be relied on, certain, to do (is ~ to turn out well; would be ~ to dislike him). 4. Undoubtedly true or truthful (one thing is ~; to be ~, formula of concession = to avoid over-statement, as to be ~ she is not perfect, is pretty, also as excl. of surprise, as so it is, to be ~!, well, to be ~!; make ~, ascertain absolutely that something is as supposed, take measures to secure that something is as desired; make ~ of, establish the truth or ensure the happen-

ing of; also make ~ of or that, have confident but often false anticipation of or that); hence ~ness n. 5. adv. (Arch.) I admit, you will admit, ('tis pleasant, ~, to see one's name in print); * (colloq.) certainly (it ~ was cold); as certainly as (as ~ as eggs is eggs, as ~ as a gun, colloq. forms of asseveration); ~ enough, in fact as well as in prospect (I said it would be, & ~ enough it is), with practical certainty (he will come ~ enough); * ~ thing (colloq.), a certainty, (as int.) certainly! [f. OF *sur* f. L *securus* SECURE]

surely (shoor'li), adv. With certainty or safety (he knows full ~ that; will diminish slowly but ~; mule plants its feet ~); if strong belief or experience or probability or right is to count for anything (it ~ cannot have been he; ~ I have met you before; there is no truth in it, ~; ~ you will not desert me); (in answers, arch.) certainly, undoubtedly, ('Should you be willing to try? 'S ~'). [-LY]

surety (shoor'ti), n. (Arch.) certainty (esp. of a ~, certainly); thing pledged as security for payment or performance (now rare); person who makes himself responsible for another's appearance in court or payment of sum or performance of engagement (stand ~, become so responsible, go bail, for another; find ~ or sureties, said of person primarily liable), whence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *seurté* f. L *securitatem* (SURE, -TY)]

surf, n., & v.i. 1. Foam & commotion of sea breaking on shore or reefs; ~-bird, coast-bird related to sandpiper; ~-boat, of buoyant build for use in ~; ~-man, skilled in managing ~-boats; ~-riding (on boards, as a sport). 2. v.i. Go ~-riding. Hence ~'y a. [earlier *suffe*, etym. dub.]

surface (-ls), n., & v.t. & i. 1. The outside of a body, (any of) the limits that terminate a solid, outward aspect of material or immaterial thing, what is apprehended of something upon a casual view or consideration, (has a smooth, uneven, ~; presents a large ~ to view; its upper ~ is as cold as ice; looks only at the ~ of men & things; his politeness is only of or on the ~; one never gets below the ~ with him), (attrib.) of the ~ only (~ plausibility, impressions, etc.); the ~ of the sea (~ mail, opp. air mail; ~ craft, raider, ship, opp. submarine). 2. (geom.). That which has length & breadth but no thickness (plane ~, that contains the whole of the straight line connecting any two points in it; curved ~, that may be so cut by a plane through any point in it that the line of section shall be a curve; developable ~, that may be unfolded into a plane without doubling or separation of parts, e.g. ~ of cone or cylinder). 3. ~-colour, used in ~-printing, printing from raised ~ as with ordinary type or woodcuts & not from incised lines; ~-man, keeping per-

manent way of railway in order; ~*tension*, tension of a liquid causing it to act as an elastic enveloping membrane seen in drop or bubble; ~*water*, that collects on & runs off from ~ of ground etc.; hence (-)~*surfaced*² a. 4. vb. Put special ~ on (paper etc.); bring (submarine) to the ~; (of submarine) rise to the ~. [F (SUR-², FACE)]

surfeit (-fit), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Excess esp. in eating or drinking, oppression or satiety resulting. 2. vb. Overfeed (t. & i.), (cause to) take too much of something, cloy, satiate with. [vb f. n., f. OF *sorfail* orig. p.p. of *sorfaire* (SUR-², L *facere* fact-do)]

surge, v.i., & n. 1. Move up & down or to & fro (as) in waves (of sea, crowd, standing corn, emotion, etc.); (Naut., of rope or chain on windlass) slip back with a jerk; (of wheel) revolve without advancing on rail or road. 2. n. Waves, a wave, surging motion. [n. f. vb, f. OF *sourdre* *sourge*- f. L *surgere* rise, contraction of SUR²(*rigere*=*regere* direct)]

surgeon (-jn), n. 1. Medical man treating injuries & deformities & diseases by manual operation (*house*~, on staff of hospital), person skilled in surgery; medical practitioner having a diploma qualifying him to practise surgery (~*dentist*, dentist thus qualified); (formerly, opp. *physician*) general practitioner dispensing drugs & attending out-patients & not confining himself to consultation; medical officer in navy or army or military hospital; ~*fish*, kind named from lancet-shaped spines on each side of tail. [AF *surgien* f. OF *cirurgien* (*chirurgie* f. L f. Gk *kheirurgia* handiwork, surgery, f. *kheir* hand, -o-, *ergō* work)]

surgerý, n. 1. Manual treatment of injuries or disorders of the body, operative therapeutics, surgical work, (*antiseptic*, *clinical*, *plastic*, etc., ~; *conservative*~, avoiding amputations etc.). 2. Doctor's consulting-room & dispensary. [f. OF *chirurgie* (*chirurgie* see prec., -ERY)]

surgical, a. Of surgeons or surgery (~*skill*, *operations*, *instruments*; ~*fever*, caused by ~ operation through sepsis). Hence ~LY² adv. [as SURGEON, -ICAL]

surricate, n. S.-Afr. animal resembling polecat & ferret. [native]

surloin, obs. form of *SKLOIN*.

surri'y, a. Uncivil, given to making rude answers, showing unfriendly temper, churlish. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [earlier *sirly* (SUR, -LY¹) = masterful]

|| **surmaster** (-ah-), n. Second master or vice-master in St Paul's School. [SUR-¹]

surmise (sermiz'), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Conjecture, suspicion of the existence or guess at the nature of something. 2. vb. Infer doubtfully, suspect the existence of; make a guess, try to divine something. [vb f. n., OF, orig. fem. p.p. of SUR²(*matre*

put f. L *mittere* miss- send) lay to person's charge]

surmount' (ser-), v.t. Cap, be on the top of, (usu. in pass.; *peaks* ~ed with snow); overcome, get over, (difficulty, obstacle), whence ~ABLE a. [f. OF SUR²(*monter* MOUNT²)]

surmull'ét (ser-), n. The red mullet. [f. OF *surmulet* perh. f. sor SORREL², MULLET]

surname, n., & v.t. 1. Additional name of descriptive or allusive kind attached to a person & occas. becoming hereditary; the name common to all members of a family (cf. CHRISTIAN name). 2. v.t. Give ~ to; give (person ~); (p.p.) called by way of additional name, having as family name. [SUR-², NAME, after F SUR²(*nom* f. L *nomen* see NOMINAL)]

surpass' (serpahs'), v.t. Outdo, excel. Hence ~ING² a., ~ingly² adv. [f. F SUR²(*passer* PASS¹)]

surplice, n. Loose full-sleeved white-linen vestment descending to hips or knees or ankles & worn usu. over cassock by clergy & chorists at divine service; ~e choir, wearing ~es; || ~e-fee, paid to clergy for marriages, funerals, etc. Hence ~ED² (-st) a. [f. OF SUR²(*plis* f. med. L SUPER(*pellicium* f. L *pellicius* see FELISSE)]

surplus, n. What remains over, what is not required for the purpose in hand, esp. excess of public revenue over expenditure for the financial year, (opp. *deficit*; often attrib. as ~ *population*). So ~AGE(1) n. [OF, f. med. L SUPER(PLUS)]

surprise (serpriz'), n., & v.t. 1. Catching of person(s) unprepared (*the fort was taken, the truth must be elicited, by ~*; *determined to attempt a ~*; *a ~ visit*, without notice); emotion excited by the unexpected, astonishment, (*full of ~*; *his ~ was visible*; *to my great ~*, much against my expectations; || ~ *packet*, with unexpected contents, a. g. packet of sweets with coin, also often fig.); event etc. that excites ~ (*was a great ~ to me*; *I have a ~ for you*, piece of unexpected news, unexpected gift, etc.; *what a ~!*). 2. v.t. Capture (place, person) by ~, attack at unawares, come upon (person) off his guard (~*d him in the act*); affect with ~, astonish, turn out contrary to expectations of, be a ~ to, (*should you be ~d to learn —?*; *I am ~d at you*, shocked, scandalized; *more ~d than frightened*), whence surpris'ING² a., surpris'ingly², surpris'edly², advv., (serpriz-); hurry (person) by ~ into conduct or act or doing (~*d me into rudeness, consent, dropping the reins*); hence surpris'AL(2) (serpriz-) n. [OF, orig. fem. p.p. of SUR²(*prendre* f. L *prehendere* take)]

surra (sū'ra, soor'a), n. Form of pernicious anaemia affecting horses & cattle in the tropics. [Marathi *sūra*]

surrealism, n. Twentieth-century movement in art & literature purporting to express the subconscious mind by

images etc. in sequences or associations such as may occur in dreams. So ~IST a. & n. [SUR⁻², REAL², -ISM]

surrébüt' (-t-), **surréjoin'**, vv.i. (Of plaintiff) reply, make **surrébüt'**ER⁴, **surréjoin'**DER⁴, nn., to defendant's rebutter, rejoinder (order of pleadings at common law: Plaintiff's *declaration*, Defendant's *plea*, P's *replication*, D's *rejoinder*, P's *surrejoinder*, D's *rebutter*, P's *surrebutter*). [SUR⁻²]

surrén'der, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Hand over, give into another's power or control, relinquish possession of, esp. upon compulsion or demand (~ *fortress, army, ship, freedom, hopes, chastity, privilege, office*, etc.); ~ *insurance policy*, abandon claim in return for repayment of part of premiums; give oneself over to habit, emotion, influence, etc.; (of fortress, ship, or force, or its commander) accept enemy's demand for submission; give oneself up, cease from resistance, submit, (~ to one's *bail*, appear in court after being admitted to bail). 2. n. ~ing or being ~ed (~ *value*, amount payable to one who ~s insurance policy). [f. OF SUR⁴(rendre RENDRE)]

surréptitious (-ishus), a. Underhand, kept secret, done by stealth, clandestine. Hence ~LY² adv. [L *surrepticius* f. SUR¹-(*ripere* -*rept* = *rapture* snatch), -TIOUS¹]

***sú'rrey**, n. (pl. ~s). Light two-seater four-wheeled carriage. [Engl. county]

sú'rrogate, n. || Deputy, esp. of bishop or his chancellor. Hence ~SHIP n. [L SUR¹-(*rogare* ask) elect as substitute, -ATE²]

surround', v.t., & n. 1. Come or be all round, invest, enclose, encompass, encircle, environ, (the ~ing country, the neighbouring district; ~ed with or by). 2. n. Floor-covering between walls and carpet. [earlier sense *overflow*; f. OF SUR⁴(*under* f. L *undare* see ABOUND); present sense by confus. w. round]

surroun'dings (-z), n. pl. Sum total or general effect of all that is in the neighbourhood of a person or thing (*picturesque, healthy, degraded, cultured*, ~). [-ING¹]

sú's'un còrd'a, L phr. Priest's exhortation to the people before the Preface in the Latin Mass. [lit. 'up hearts'; in Book of Common Prayer 'Lift up your hearts']

sú't'áx, n., & v.t. (Impose) additional tax (on); || graduated tax on incomes above £2,000 in addition to ordinary income tax, imposed in 1929-30 in place of supertax. [f. F SUR²(*taxe*, -*taxer*, TAX)]

sú't'out (-tò), n. (now rare). Overcoat, esp. of frock-coat shape. [F, f. *sur tout* over all]

surveillance (servál'ans, -l'yans), n. Supervision, close observation, investigation, (esp. under ~, not trusted to work or go about unwatched). [F, f. SUR⁴(*veiller* f. L *as vigilant*)]

survey'¹ (servá'), v.t. Let the eyes pass over, take general view of, form general idea of the arrangement & chief features of; examine condition of (building etc.); collect by measurement etc. all facts needed for determining the boundaries, size, position, shape, contour, ownership, value, etc., of (country, coast, district, estate, etc.), whence ~ING¹(1) n. [AF SUR²(*veier* f. OF *veier* f. L *videre* see)]

súrv'ey'² (-vâ), n. General view, casting of eyes or mind over something; inspection of the condition, amount, etc., of something, account given of result of this; department carrying on, operations constituting, piece of, surveying of land etc. (see prec.), map or plan setting forth results of such ~ (ORDNANCE ~). [f. prec.]

survey' or (servá'er), n. Official inspector of (~ of *weights & measures* etc.), whence ~SHIP n.; person professionally engaged in SURVEYING. [AF *surveour* (SURVEY¹, -OR²)]

surviv'al (ser-), n. Surviving (~ of the *fittest*, process or result of *natural selection*); person or thing that has remained as a relic of an earlier time. [foll., -AL(2)]

survive' (ser-), v.t. & i. Outlive, be still alive or in existence after the passing away of, come alive through or continue to exist in spite of, (~ one's *children, contemporaries*, etc.); ~ one's *usefulness*; ~ *all perils*; continue to live or exist, be still alive or existent. Hence **surviv'or**² (ser-) n., **surviv'orship** n. (esp. right of joint tenant to whole estate on other's death). [f. F *survivre* f. LL *super*(*vivere* live)]

sus-, =SUB- in L compds w. wds in c- (also SUB-, cf. *succeed, susceptible*), in p- (also SUB-, cf. *suppose, suspend*), & in t-, & their derivatives. [for *subs* var. of *sub*; cf. ABS-]

suscép'tib|le, a. (Prod.) admitting of (passage is ~le of another interpretation; facts not ~le of proof), open or liable or accessible or sensitive to (very ~le to pain, injury, kindness, female charms); impressionable, sensitive, readily touched with emotion, touchy. Hence or cogn. **suscéptim'ity** n. (often in pl. = sensitive points of person's nature), ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *susceptibilis* f. L SUB(*cipere* -*cept* = *capture* take), -IBLE]

suscép'tive, a. Concerned with the receiving of emotional impressions (cf. prec. & *receptive*; the ~ *faculties, nature*). [f. med. L *susceptivus* as prec., -IVE]

sus'i (sò-), n. E.-Ind. cotton fabric with stripes of different-coloured silk. (Hind.)

suspect'¹, v.t. 1. Have an impression of the existence or presence of (*danger, a plot, foul play, collusion, a causal relation*); half believe to be (*I ~ him to be my brother, a liar, dying*); be inclined to think that or that (*I ~ you once thought otherwise*; also parenth., as *you, I ~, don't care*). 2. Incline to mentally accuse of or incli-

pate, doubt the innocence of, distrust, (*I ~ him of lying, of deep designs; a ~ed criminal, person ~ed of being one; ~ed persons; the ignorant ~ everybody*). 3. Hold to be uncertain, mistrust, doubt the genuineness or truth of, (*~ the authenticity of the evidence*). Hence ~ABLE a. (rare). [f. L *suspect*- (foll.)]

sus'pect², pred. a. & n. 1. Of suspected character, subject to suspicion, not unimpeachable, (*the statement of an interested party is naturally ~*). 2. n. Suspected person (*political ~s are kept under surveillance*). [F, f. L *suspiciere suspect* (SUB-, *specere* look)]

suspend¹, v.t. 1. Hang up, (p.p., of solid particles or body in fluid medium) sustained somewhere between top & bottom (*a balloon ~ed in mid-air; ~ed particles of dust*), so **suspēn'sible** a., **suspēnsibil'ity** n. 2. Keep in undecided or inoperative state for a time, defer, temporarily annul, adjourn, debar temporarily from office or function or privilege or membership, (*~ judgement, one's indignation, the rules, the Habeas-Corpus Act, proceedings, a clergyman; ~ payment*, fail to meet financial engagements, admit insolvency; *~ed animation*, state of insensibility without death). [f. L *sus*-(*pendere* *pens*-hang)]

suspēn'der, n. In vbl senses; esp., (pl.) *pair of braces, || pair of (sets of) attachments to which tops of socks or stockings are hung. [*-ER*¹]

suspēn'se, n. State of usu. anxious uncertainty or expectation or waiting for information (*keep one in ~, delay acquainting him with what he is eager to know*); (Law) suspension, temporary cessation of right etc.; *~ account* in book-keeping (in which items are temporarily entered till proper place is determined). [OF, f. p.p. of L *suspendere*]

suspēn'sion (-shn), n. In vbl senses (**SUSPEND**); esp. *~ion bridge*, in which roadway is hung across stream etc., usu. on wire or chain cables passing over towers & anchored, without support from below. So *~sive* a. (*~sive veto*, operating only for a time, not definitive), *~sory* a., *~sively*¹ adv. [f. LL *suspensionem* (**SUSPEND**, -ION)]

sūs. pēt coll., n. The entry recording that a person is to be hanged (often joc. = hanged, hanging). [abbr. of L *suspendatur per collum* let him be hanged by the neck]

suspi'cion (-shn), n., & v.t. 1. Feeling of one who suspects, suspecting or being suspected (*above ~, too obviously good etc. to be suspected*), partial or unconfirmed belief esp. that something is wrong or someone guilty; *souppcon of; hence ~less* a. 2. v.t. (dial.). Have ~ that or that. [AF *suspicionem* (OF *souspeçon*) f. med. L *suspicionem* f. L *suspiciere* SUB-FACT, -ION]

suspi'cious (-shus), a. Prone to, feeling, indicating, suggesting or justifying, suspicion (*the ignorant are ~; he became ~; with a ~ glance; under ~ circumstances*). Hence *~ly*¹ adv., *~ness* n. [OF, f. L *suspiciosus* (prec., -OSE¹)]

suspire¹, v.i. (poet.). Sigh. So **sūs'pirā'tion** n. [f. L *suspirare* (SUB-, *spirare* breathe)]

sustain¹, v.t. 1. Bear weight of, hold up, keep from falling or sinking (cf. *support*). 2. Enable to last out, keep from falling, give strength to, encourage, (exx. as in *SUPPORT; ~ing food*, that keeps up the strength). 3. Endure without giving way, stand, bear up against, (*~ed the shock of the enemy's cavalry; will not ~ comparison with*). 4. Undergo, experience, suffer, (*~ a defeat, severe contusion, loss, etc.*). 5. (Of court or other authority) allow validity of, give decision in favour of, uphold, (*~ the objection, the applicant in his claim, etc.*). 6. Bear out, tend to substantiate or corroborate, confirm, (statement, charge, theory, etc.). 7. Keep up or represent (part, character) adequately. 8. Keep (sound, effort, etc.) going continuously (*a ~ed note, effort*). Hence ~ABLE a., ~MENT n. (rare). [f. OF *sustenir* f. L *sus*(*tinēre* *ten*-=*tenēre* hold)]

sūs'tenance, n. Nourishing (now rare; *given for the ~ of our bodies*); nourishing quality, subsistence, food lit. or fig., (*there is no ~ in it; how shall we get ~?; lived a week without ~ of any kind*). [OF (*soe*-), f. *sostenir* **SUSTAIN**, -ANCE]

sūstentā'tion, n. Support of life (rare; *~ fund*, collected to support indigent clergy). [OF, f. L *sustentationem* (*sustentare* frequent. of *sustinēre* **SUSTAIN**, -ION)]

sūsūrrā'tion n., **sūsū'rrous** a., (rare). Whispering, rustling. [L *susurrare*, *susurrus* a., (*susurrus* a whisper), -ATION, -OUS]

sūt'ler, n. Camp-follower selling provisions etc. [f. Du. *soeteler* (*soetelen* befoul, cf. G *sudeln* to sully)]

Sut'ra (sōō-), n. Set of aphorisms in Sanskrit literature. [Skr., orig. = string, cogn. w. *SEW*]

suttee¹, **sati**¹ (-s), n. Hindu widow who immolates herself on her husband's funeral pyre; custom requiring such immolation, also **suttee**²ISM(2) n. [Skr. (*sa*-), = virtuous wife]

sū'tur'e, n., & v.t. 1. Seamlike articulation of two bones at their edges, esp. one of those in the skull, similar junction of parts in Bot., Entom., etc.; (*Surg.*) uniting of edges of wound by stitching, thread or wire used for this. 2. v.t. Stitch (wound). Hence ~AL (-che-) a., ~ALLY¹ adv., ~A'TION n., ~ED¹ (-chard) a. [F, f. L *sutura* (*suere* *sut*-*sew*, -URE)]

sūs'erain, n. Feudal lord, lord paramount, sovereign or State having nominal sovereignty or right of general control

over semi-independent or internally autonomous State. So ~TY n. [F. f. *sus* above f. L *su(r)sum* upward (SUB-, VERSUS) on anal. of *souverain* SOVEREIGN]

seelte, a. Lightly built, lissom, supple, (chiefly of human, esp. female, figure). [F. f. EX(cellitus pop. L p.p. of L *cellere* pull)]

swab (-bb), v.t. (-bb-), & n. 1. Mop or other arrangement of absorbent material on handle for cleaning; absorbent pad used in surgery; specimen of morbid secretion etc. taken with a ~ for bacteriological examination. 2. (naut. sl.). Officer's epaulet; clumsy fellow, also ~b'ER¹ n. 3. v.t. Clean with ~, as ~ (down) the deck; take up (moisture) with ~. [back form. f. *swabber* f. Du. *swabber* ship-drudge, cf. MLG *swabben* to splash in mud]

Swab'ian, *Sua-*, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Swabia (~ emperors, Hohenstaufons, 1188-1254). [*Swabia* (mod. L f. G *Schwaben*), -AN]

swa'ddle (-b-), v.t. Swathe in bandages or many or thick wraps or garments (~ing-bands, -clothes, in which infants are wrapped, also fig. influences that restrain freedom of action or thought). [SWATHE, -LE]

Swade'shi (-ahdā-), n. Movement in India, originating in Bengal, advocating the boycott of foreign, esp. British, goods. [Bengali, =own country]

swäg, n. (sl.). Booty carried off by burglars etc., (transf.) gains made by political or other jobbery; (Austral.) tramp's, miner's, or bush-traveller's bundle. [f. obs. *swag* vb hang swaying (of bundle, fat belly, etc.), prob. f. Scand., & cogn. w. *sway*]

swäge, n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of die or form for shaping wrought iron etc. by hammering or pressure; ~block, with variety of perforations, grooves, etc., for this purpose. 2. v.t. Shape with ~. [vb f. n., f. OF *souage* etym. dub.]

swägg'er (-g-), v.i. & t., & n. & a. 1. Walk like a superior among inferiors, show self-confidence or self-satisfaction by gait, go about, in, out, etc., with such walk; behave in domineering or defiant way; talk boastfully (about prep.) or in hectoring manner; bluff (person) into, out of, etc.; hence ~ER¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing gait or manner or talk; dashing or confident air or way of doing something, freedom from timidity or hesitancy, smartness; || ~cane, carried by soldiers when walking out. 3. adj. (colloq.). Smart, fashionable, (~ clothes, society, etc.). [obs. *swag* vb, -ER¹]

swain, n. Young rustic; bucolic lover; (joc.) lover, suitor. [f. ON *swinn* lad, cf. OE *swdn* swineherd]

swäile, *swéal*, v.t. & i. (dial.). Burn, set fire to (esp. gorse, brushwood, etc.); be scorched; (of candle) melt away. [OE *swailan* to burn]

|| swa'llét (-öl-), n. (dial.). Underground stream; hole into which a stream flows, SWALLOW¹-hole. [prob. f. foll.]

swa'llow¹ (-ölö), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cause or allow (food etc.) to pass down one's throat (~ a CAMEL, make no difficulty about something incredible or impossible or outrageous); engulf, absorb, exhaust, draw in, make away with, (usu. up; the earth ~ed them up; the expenses more than ~ up the earnings; death is ~ed up in victory); accept (statement) with ready credulity (will ~ anything you tell him); put up with, pocket, stomach, (affront); recant (one's words); perform muscular operation of ~ing something. Hence ~ABLE a. 2. n. Gullet; act of ~ing; amount ~ed at once; || (also ~hole) funnel-shaped cavity in limestone. [ME *swolowen* f. OE *swelgan*, cf. Du. *swelgen*, G *schwelgen* gorge]

swa'llow² (-ölö), n. 1. Kinds of usu. migratory, long-winged, swift-flying, wide-gaped, weak-legged, fork-tailed, insectivorous bird associated with summer (one ~ does not make a summer, warning against hasty inference). 2. || ~ dive (with arms outspread till close to water); ~fish, kind of gurnard; ~hawk, ~plover, ~shrike, etc., fork-tailed kinds of hawk etc.; ~tail, deeply forked tail, kinds of butterfly & humming-bird having this, points of burgee, (sing. or pl.) ~tailed coat; ~tailed, with deeply forked tail (of butterflies, birds, etc.); ~tailed coat, kind with tapering tails formerly worn in ordinary costume & still in evening dress); ~wort, milk-weed, also celandine. [OE *swalewe*, cf. Du. *swaluw*, G *schwalbe*]

swam. See SWIM.

swa'mi (-ah-), n. Hindu idol; Hindu religious teacher (esp. as form of address to Brahmin); ~work, silver articles ornamented with figures of Hindu deities. [Hind., =master, prince, f. Skr. *svāmin*]

swamp (-ö-), n., & v.t. 1. Piece of wet spongy ground, bog, marsh, (attrib., in many names of plants & animals found in ~s); hence ~Y² a. 2. v.t. Entangle in ~ (usu. in p.p.); (of water) overwhelm, flood, soak, (boat or its crew or contents, house, provisions, etc.); make helpless with excessive supply of something (am ~ed with letters, applications, work); (of greater quantity or numbers) swallow up, make invisible etc., prevent from being noticed or taking effect. [f. 17th c. in Virginia; prob. cogn. w. *swmp*; cf. OHG & MLG *swamp*, OE & Goth. *swamm*, sponge or fungus, & Gk *somphos* spongy]

swan (-ön), n. 1. Kinds of large water-bird with long flexible neck, webbed feet, and in most species snow-white plumage, formerly supposed to sing melodiously at point of death (white, black-necked, black, mute or tame or common, hooper or hooping, trumpeter, etc., ~; black ~,

name given before discovery of black species to extreme rarity; *all his geese are ~s*, see GOOSE; (fig., w. ref. to sweetness of dying song) poet (esp. *S~ of Avon*, Shakespeare). 2. The constellation Cygnus. 3. *~ dive*, = SWALLOW² *dive*; *~ flower*, kind of orchid; *~ goose*, long-necked China goose; *~ herd*, royal officer having charge of *~ marks*; *~ mark*, out in skin of beak to show ownership; *~ neck*, curved end of discharge-pipe; *~ s-down*, down of *~* used in trimmings & esp. in powder-puffs, also kind of thick cotton cloth with soft nap on one side; *~ shot*, of large size; *~ skin*, kind of fine twilled flannel; *~ song*, of dying *~*, also person's last production etc.; || *~ upping*, annual taking up & marking of Thames *~s*. Hence *~ LIKE a.*, = N'ERY(3) n. [OE, cf. Du. *zwann*, G. *schwan*; perh. cogn. w. Skr. *swan*, L. *sonare*, sound]

swānk, n., & v.i. (sl.). Show(ing) off, swagger, bounce, bluff. [dial. wd (=strut), etym. dub.]

swap. See SWOP.

Swarāj' (-ahj), n. Home-rule or self-government as the watchword of Indian Nationalists. Hence **swarāj'**ist (-ahj-) n. & a. [f. Skr. *swaraj* self-ruling; cf. L. *suus* one's own, & see RAJ]

sward (-ōrd), n. Expanse covered with short grass, lawnlike ground; turf, whence *~ ED² a.* [OE *sweard* skin, cf. Du. *swoord* bacon-rind, G. *schwarte* bark, bacon-rind]

sware. See SWEAR.

swarm¹ (-ōrm), n., & v.i. 1. Large number of insects, birds, small animals, sharpshooters, horsemen, etc., moving about in a cluster or irregular body esp. round prey or enemy (*~s*, great numbers of children, stars, people, bills, etc.); cluster of honey-bees emigrating from hive with queen bee to establish new home; *~ cell*, *~ spore*, zoospore. 2. v.i. Move in a *~* (*~ round*, *about*, *over*, etc., prep.), (of bees) cluster for emigration; congregate in numbers, be very numerous; (of places) be overrun, be crowded, abound, *with* (road, hills, house, *~ing with* beggars, rebels, fleas). [OE *swearn*, cf. Du. *swerm*, G. *schwarm*, perh. cogn. w. Skr. *svdra* to sound, L. *susurrus* whisper]

swarm² (-ōrm), v.i. & t. Climb rope or tree or pole (always up), climb (rope etc., or up rope etc.), by clipping with knees & hands. [f]

swart (-ōrt), a. (arch.). Dark-hued, swarthy. [OE *sweart*, cf. Du. *swart*, G. *schwarz*]

swart'hly (-ōrdhī), a. Dark-complexioned. Hence *~ LY¹ adv.*, *~ INESS n.* [obs. *swarth* var. of prec., -Y²]

swash (-ō), v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Arch.) strike violently (*~ buckler*, bully, bravo; *~ing blow*, hard); (of water etc.) wash about, make sound of washing or rising & falling; *~ plate*, inclined disk revolving on axle

& communicating up-&-down motion to bar whose end rests on it. 2. n. Motion or sound of *~ing* water. [imit.]

swās'tika (or swōs't), n. Fylfot. [Skr., lit. = fortunate (*su* well, *asti* being)]

swat (-ōt), v.t. (-tt-). Slap, crush (fly etc.). [U.S.]

swath (-aw-; pl. pron. -dhz), n. Ridge of grass, corn, etc., lying after being cut, or space left clear after one passage of mower etc. [OE *swæth*, *swathu*, track, cf. Du. *swad*, G. *schwad*; cogn. w. LG *swade* scythe]

swāthe (-dh), v.t., & n. 1. Bind with bandages, enclose in wraps or cloths or warm or many garments. 2. n. (rare). A bandage or fold. [OE *swathian* vb, *swathum* dat. pl.] n.; cf. SWADDLE]

sway, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Lean unsteadily to one side or in different directions by turns, have unsteady swinging motion, oscillate irregularly, waver, vacillate; give *~ing* motion to, govern the motion of, wield, control direction of, have influence over, govern, rule over, (*wind ~s trees*; *~ sceptre*, *cricket-bat*, *sword*; *his speech ~ed votes*; *is too much ~ed by the needs of the moment*; *~s a fifth of mankind*); (p.p., of horse, also *~ backed*) with back abnormally hollowed. 2. n. *~ing* motion or position; rule, government. [f. LG *swājen* be blown to & fro, cf. Sw. *svaja*, G. *schweien*, Du. *swaaien*]

swear (swār), v.t. & i. 1. (*swore* or arch. *swore*; *sworn*), & n. 1. State something on oath, take oath (*to*, *that* or *that*), promise (conduct, to do) on oath, take (oath), (colloq.) say emphatically that, (*will you ~, ~ it, ~ to it, ~ you or that you were not there, on the Testament?*; *~ eternal fidelity*; *had sworn, or sworn a solemn oath, to return*; *I ~ it is too bad of him*; *~ to or by*, appeal to as witness & guarantee of oath; *~ by*, colloq., profess or have great belief in, regularly resort to or recommend; *~ off drink* etc., take oath to abstain). 2. Use profane oaths to express anger or as expletives (often *at*). 3. Cause to take oath, administer oath to, (*~ witness* etc.; *~ person to secrecy*; *sworn brothers* or *friends*, close intimates; *sworn enemies*, open & irreconcilable; *sworn broker*, admitted to profession with oath against fraud etc.; *~ in*, induct into office by administering oath); (p.p., of evidence etc.) given on oath. 4. Make sworn affirmation of (offence) *against* (*~ treason against*; *~ the peace against*, make oath that one is in danger of bodily harm from); hence *~ ER¹ n.* 5. n. Spell of profane *~ing* (*relieved his feelings by a hearty ~*); (colloq., also *~ word*) a profane oath. [OE *swærian*, cf. Du. *sweren*, G. *schwören*]

sweat (-ōt), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Moisture exuded from the skin, perspiration, (*running, dripping, wet, with ~*; *in a*

by the ~ of one's brow or face, by dint of toll; *bloody* ~, exudation of blood mixed with ~; ~ing state, spell of ~ing, piece of exercise that induces ~, (in a, colloq. all of a, ~; *nightly* ~s; a *cold* ~, as in death, swoon, terror, etc.; a ~ will do him good); (colloq.) state of anxiety (in a ~); (chiefly colloq.) drudgery, toil, effort, a laborious task or undertaking, (cannot stand the ~ of it; says it is a horrid ~; will not take the ~); old ~ (sl.), old soldier; drops exuding from or condensing on any surface. 2. ~band, leather or flannel lining of hat or cap; ~cloth, esp. thin blanket under horse's saddle or collar; ~duct, by which ~ exudes from ~gland, secreting ~ below skin; ~shop, in which ~ed workers are employed; hence ~LESS, ~Y³, aa., ~ily² adv., ~INESS n. 3. vb. Exude ~, perspire; (fig.) be in state of terror or suffering or repentance (he shall ~ for it, repent it); emit (blood, gum, etc.) like ~; (of wall etc.) exhibit surface moisture; toil, drudge; make (horse, athlete, etc.) ~ by exercise; employ (labour, workers) at starvation wages for long hours, exploit to the utmost by utilizing competition, (~ed clothes etc., made by ~ed workers), (of workers) work on such terms; subject (hides, tobacco) to fermentation in manufacturing; deprive (coins) of part of metal by shaking in bag; remove ~ from (horse) by scraping; fasten (metal part) on or in by partial fusion. 4. ~ing-bath, for producing ~; ~ing-iron, for scraping ~ from horse; ~ing-room, in Turkish bath; ~ing-sickness, epidemic fever prevalent in 15th & 16th cc. [vb f. n., OE *sweðt*, cf. Du. *zweet*, G *schweiss*; cogn. w. Skr. *svēdas*, Gk *hīdrōs*, L *sudor*]

swea'ter (-ēt-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: sweating employer; thick woollen jersey worn during or after exercise to reduce weight or prevent chills. [-ER¹]

swēde, n. Native of Sweden (S~); || Swedish turnip. [MLG, MDu.]

Swēdenbō'gian, a. & n. (Adherent) of the Swedish philosophical & religious mystic Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772) or his doctrines or New Church. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [-IAN]

Swēd'ish, a. & n. (Language) of Sweden or its inhabitants. [SWEDISH¹]

***sween'y**, n. Atrophy of muscle, esp. of shoulder, in horse. [prob. f. dial. G *schweine* atrophy]

sweep, v.i. & t. (*swept*), & n. 1. Glide swiftly, speed along with impetuous unchecked motion, go majestically, extend (intr.) in continuous curve or line or slope, (*eagle* ~s past; *wind* ~s along; *cavalry* ~s down the enemy; she *swept* out of the room; his *glance* ~s from right to left; with a ~ing stroke; coast ~s northward; plain *sweeps* away to the sea). 2. (part.). Of wide range, regardless of

limitations or exceptions, (~ing remark, generalization, etc.), whence ~ingly² adv., ~ingness n. 3. Impart ~ing motion to, carry along or down or away or off in impetuous course, clear off or away or out of existence etc. or from, (*swept* his hand across; river ~s away bridge, ~s logs down with it; was *swept* away by an *avalanche*; the plague *swept* off thousands; ~ away slavery, feudalism, abolish swiftly; he *swept* his audience along with him, won enthusiastic support obstacles from one's path). 4. or range swiftly, pass lightly along, pass eyes or hand quick or over, scan, scour, graze, (~ traverse in all directions, & see wind ~s the hillside; ~ the strings, lute, etc., of hand or its owner; ~ the horizon, of eyes or their owner; ~ river-bottom etc., drag it to find something; dress ~s the ground). 5. (Of artillery etc.) include in line of fire, cover, enfilade, rake, (*battery* ~s the approaches, glaciis, street). 6. Clear everything from, clear of dust or soot or litter with broom (often up), gather up or collect (as) with broom, push away etc. (as) with broom, (~ the seas, drive all enemies from them, & see above; ~ floor, carpet, chimney; ~ up the room; ~ away the snow; *swept* & *garnished*, generally renovated, w. ref. to Luke xi. 25; ~ the board, win all the money on gaming-table, & transf. win all possible prizes etc.; ~ a constituency etc., receive nearly all votes, have large majority; ~s everything into his net, seizes all that comes; ~ up litter etc., whence ~ING²(2) n. usu. in pl.). 7. Propel (barge etc.) with ~s. 8. ~net, long fishing-net, also entomologist's net; ~seine, large seine; ~stake(s), form of gambling on horse-races etc. in which the sum composed of participants' stakes goes to the drawer(s) of winning or placed horse(s) etc.; hence ~ER¹(1, 2) n., (also, India) domestic servant employed on sanitary & scavenging duties. 9. n. ~ing motion or extension, curve in road etc., piece of curving road etc., (with a ~ of his arm, eyes, scythe; a ~ of mountain country; river makes a great ~ to the left; house is approached by a fine ~ or carriage ~). 10. Range or compass of something that has ~ing motion (within, beyond, the ~ of the scythe, net, telescope, eye, human intelligence). 11. Act of ~ing (as) with broom (give it a thorough ~ or ~up or ~out; make a clean ~, have complete riddance of old furniture, officials, etc.). 12. Long oar worked by standing rower(s) on barge, becalmed sailing-ship, etc. (*had* to get out the ~s). 13. Long pole mounted as lever for raising bucket from well. 14. Man who ~s chimneys (often *chimney* ~). 15. (colloq.). = ~stake. [ME *sweepen*, derivative vb f. OE *sweepan* swoop; cf. ON *sveipa*, G *schweifen*, E *swirl*]

sweet, a. & n. 1. Tasting like sugar or honey (~ apples etc.; ~ stuff, ~meats; *likes her tea* ~, with much sugar; a ~ tooth, a liking for ~ things; ~ wine, opp. **DRY**!; *tastes* ~, has ~ taste). 2. Smelling like roses or perfumes, fragrant, (~ smells ~; so ~-scented² a.; air is ~ with thyme; ~ violet, of scented kind, opp. dog-violet; ~ breath). 3. Melodious or harmonious in sound (*has a ~ voice; sounds* ~; ~ song, singer, etc.). 4. Fresh & sound, not salt or salled or sour or bitter or rancid or high or stinking, (~ water, fit for drinking, neither salt nor bitter nor putrid; *is the meat, milk, butter, still* ~?; keep the room clean & ~). 5. Highly agreeable or attractive or gratifying, inspiring affection, dear, beloved, amiable, gentle, easy, (colloq.) pretty or charming or delightful, ('tis ~ to hear one's own praises; ~ toil, that one loves; ~ love, dalliance, idleness, sleep; *what a ~ blouse, moustache, collier!*; ~ temper, amiability, whence ~tempered² a.; a ~ nature, face, etc.; a ~ girl, lovable, affectionate; ~ one, voc., darling; a ~ one, sl., painful blow with fist etc.; ~ going, travelling over well-laid road or in smooth-going carriage). 6. At one's own ~ will, just as or when one pleases, arbitrarily, at random; ~ (up)on (colloq.), (inclined to be) in love with, very fond of. 7. ~bread, pancreas (belly ~bread) or thymus-gland (throat or neck ~bread) esp. of calf as food; ~BRIER¹; ~ GALE¹; ~heart, either of pair of lovers, (vb) be engaged in love-making (esp. go ~hearting); ~john, kinds of pink or of narrow-leaved ~william; ~meat, shaped morsel of confectionery usu. consisting chiefly of sugar or chocolate, a fruit preserved in sugar, bonbon, sugarplum, goody; ~oil, (esp.) olive oil; ~pea, garden annual with showy ~scented flowers; ~POTATO; ~root, liquorice; ~rush, kind of sedge with thick creeping aromatic rootstock used in medicine & confectionery; ~sop, (~pulped fruit of) an evergreen shrub of tropical America; ~SULTAN; ~water, kind of white hothouse grape; ~william, a garden-plant, kind of pink with close-clustered flowers often particoloured in zones; ~willow, ~gale; hence ~EN² v.t. & i., ~ening⁴(4) n., ~ISH¹(2) a., ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. 8. n. ~ part (the ~ & the bitter or ~s & bitters of life); || a ~meat, bonbon, (also ~Y² n.); || (usu. pl.) ~dish(es) such as puddings, tarts, creams, jellies, forming a course at table; (usu. pl.) fragrance (*flowers diffusing their ~s on the air*); (pl.) delights, gratifications, pleasures, (the ~s of office, domestication, flattery, success); (chiefly in voc.) darling. [Aryan; OE *sweete*, cf. Du. *soet*, G. *süß*, Skr. *sūdāra*, Gk. *hédus*, L. *suavis* pleasant, *suadēre* persuade]

sweet'ing, n. Kind of sweet apple; (arch.) darling. {-ing²}

swell, v.i. & t. (p.p. *swollen*, arch. *swōlū*, rarely ~ed), & n. & a. 1. (Cause to) grow bigger or louder, dilate, expand, rise or raise up from surrounding surface, bulge out, increase in volume or force or intensity, (river swollen with melted snow; the injured wrist began to ~ up or ~, whence ~ING¹(2) n.; the ~ing sails; load ~ing himself to size of ox; ~ing oratory, of inflated kind; sound ~s on the breeze; murmur ~ed into a roar; ground ~s into an eminence; heart ~s, feels like bursting with emotion; ~ with pride, indignation, etc., be or seem hardly able to contain it; ~ like a turkey-cock, put on blustering air; wind ~s the sails; the ~ing tide; expenditure swollen by extravagance; swollen estimates, inordinately high; a thousand voices ~ the sound; items ~ the total; ~ note in music, sing or play it with alternate crescendo & diminuendo; emotion ~s & subsides; ~ed head, sl., conceit). 2. n. Act or condition of ~ing (the ~ of the hymn floated past; the ~ of the ground). 3. Heaving of sea with waves that do not break after storm. 4. Part of any more or less cylindrical object that ~s out (the ~ of the fore-arm). 5. (mus.). Mechanism in organ (operated by ~pedal) for obtaining crescendo or diminuendo by opening or closing slats in front of ~box containing pipes of the ~manual. 6. (colloq.). Person of distinction or ability, member of good society, person of dashing or fashionable appearance, (is a ~ in politics, at cricket, etc.; *what a ~ you are!*, how finely dressed; has been asked to dinner by some ~s), whence ~DOM n. 7. ~-flak, kinds that can inflate themselves into nearly globular form; ~mob(smen), (class of) pickpockets dressed like gentlemen; ~organ, set of pipes enclosed in ~box; ~rule in printing, dash ~ing into diamond in middle & tapering towards ends. 8. adj. (colloq.). Of distinction (a ~ pianist; ~ parties, society, etc.); smart, finely dressed, (~ clothes; looks very ~); hence ~ISH¹(2) a. [OE *swellan*, cf. Du. *swellen*, G. *schwellen*]

swell'ter, v.i., & n. 1. Be faint or moist or languid or oppressive with heat (of atmosphere etc., or of things or persons suffering from it; under a ~ing sky; city ~ed in the plain; the ~ing horses). 2. n. ~ing atmosphere or conditions (in the ~ of the Indian night). [OE *swellan* die, cf. ON *swella*, Goth. *swiltan*, OHG *swelzam* be consumed by fire or love, -EE¹]

swept. See **SWEEP**.

swerve, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Diverge from regular line of motion, go off in changed direction, dodge, (never ~s an inch from his duty; bird, ball, ~s in the air; horse, three-quarters at football, ~d suddenly); cause (hall) to ~ in the air. 2. n. Divergence from course, swerving motion; hence ~LESS (-vi-) a. [OE *swerfan* rub,

file, cf. Du. *swerven* swerve, OFris. *swerwa* creep, ON *swerfa* file]

swift, a., adv. (*-er, -est*), & n. 1. Fleet, rapid, quick, soon coming or passing, not long delayed, (now chiefly poet. & rhet.; ~runner, movement, feet, retribution, anger, laughter, response, riddance; so ~-footed^a, ~-winged^a, aa.); prompt, quick to do, (*has a ~ wit*; ~ to anger; *be ~ to hear, slow to speak*; so ~-handen^a a.); hence ~LY^a adv., ~NESS n. 2. adv. ~ly (*he answered ~*; *they that run ~est*; esp. in comb., as ~coming, ~passing). 3. n. Kinds of very long-winged & ~-flying insectivorous bird with resemblances to swallows, whence ~LET n. (small kind); kinds of small lizard; the common newt; || breed of pigeons; kinds of moth; revolving frame for winding yarn etc. from. [OE (*swifan* move quickly, cf. ON *svifa*, cogn. W. SWEPF)]

swig, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. (sl.). 1. Take draughts (of). 2. n. (Act of taking) a draught of liquor. [vb f. n. (16th c.) in obs. sense liquor, etym. dub.]

swill, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Rinse, pour water over or through, flush, (often out); drink (t. & i.) greedily. 2. n. Rinsing (*give it a ~ or ~ out*); bout of drinking (rare); inferior liquor; hog-wash, slops. [OE *swilian* wash, etym. dub.]

swim, v.i. & t. (*swam, swum*), & n. 1. Float on or at surface of liquid (SINK¹ or ~; *vegetables ~ming in butter*; *with bubbles ~ming on it*). 2. Progress at or below surface of water by working legs, arms, tail, webbed feet, fins, flippers, wings, body, etc., traverse or accomplish (stream, distance, etc.) thus, compete in (race) thus, compete with thus, cause (horse, dog, etc.) to progress thus, (fig.) go with gliding motion, (~ on one's chest, back, side, methods of human ~ming; ~ across, out, back, the channel, a mile, a race, person a hundred yards, one's horse across; cannot ~ a stroke; ~ with the tide or stream, act with the majority; ~ to the bottom or like a stone or tailor's goose, joc., sink; *she swam into the room*; moon ~s in sky), whence ~MER¹ n. 3. Appear to undulate or reel or whirl, have dizzy effect or sensation, (*everything swam before his eyes*; *my head ~s*; *has a ~ming in the head*). 4. Be flooded or overflow with or with or in moisture (eyes, deck, ~ming with tears, water; ~ming eyes; floor ~ming in blood). 5. ~ming-bath, large enough to ~ in; ~ming-bell, bell-shaped ~ming organ of jellyfish etc.; ~ming-bell, to keep learner afloat; ~ming-bladder, fish's sound; ~ming-stone, kind of spongy quartz. 6. n. Spell of ~ming; ~ming-bladder (rare); deep pool frequented by fish in river; (fig.) main current of affairs (esp. in the ~, engaged in ~ acquainted with what is going on). [OE *swimman*, cf. Du. *swommen*, G *schwimmen*]

swimm'eret, n. Swimming-foot in crustaceans. [*swimmer*, -ER¹]

swimm'ingly, adv. With easy & unobstructed progress (esp. go on ~). [-LY^a]
swin'dle, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cheat (person, money out of person, person out of money etc., or abs.); so ~ER¹ n., ~ingly^a adv. 2. n. Fraudulent scheme, imposition, piece of ~ing, person or thing represented as what it is not. [back formation f. *swindler* f. G *schwindler* visionary projector, swindler, (*schwindeln* be dizzy, f. OHG *suindan* waste away)]

swine, n. (pl. the same). Kinds of ungulate non-ruminant omnivorous mammal, pig (which name has displaced it etc. in poet., rhet., zool., agricult., & U.-S. use), whence swin'ERY^a n.; person of greedy or bestial habits; ~bread, the truffle, also = sow^a-bread; ~fever, ~plague; ~herd, tender of ~; ~plague, infectious lung-disease of ~; ~pox, form of chicken-pox; ~s-snout, dandelion. Hence swin'ISH¹ a., swin'ishly^a adv., swin'ishness n., (chiefly of persons & their habits). [OE *swin* (sing. & pl.), cf. Du. *swijn*, G *schwein*; perh. orig. an adj. form, cf. L *suinus* of pigs (*sus* sow, -INE¹)]

swing, v.i. & t. (*swung* or rarely *swang, swung*), & n. 1. Move (t. & i.) with to-&-fro or curving motion of object having fixed point(s) or side but otherwise free, sway (t. & i.) or so hang (t. & i.) as to be free to sway like a pendulum or door or branch or tree or hammock or anchored ship, oscillate, revolve, rock, wheel, (*he shall ~ for it*, be hanged; *door swung to, closed*; *boat, boom, ~s round, across*; *ship ~s at anchor*; ~ child etc., work the ~ in which he sits; *sut on table ~ing his legs*; ~ one's arms, a bell, Indian clubs, bat, basket; ~ a hammock, suspend it by ends; *no room to ~ a cat*¹; *officer ~s his company, company ~s, into line, brings, comes, by wheeling*). 2. part. (Of gait, melody, etc.) vigorously rhythmical (at a long ~ing trot; a ~ing chorus). 3. Go with ~ing gait (*he swung out of the room*; ~ along, past, by, etc.), whence ~ingly^a adv. 4. || ~ the lead (Service al.), malingering or scrimshank. 5. n. Act of ~ing, oscillation, ~ing movement, (*work is in full ~, active*; *the ~ of the pendulum, fig.*, tendency to alternation, esp. tendency of electorate to put parties in power alternately). 6. ~ing gait or rhythm (*goes with a ~*); (also ~ music) kind of jazz in which time of melody is freely varied, with simple harmonic accompaniment in rigid rhythm. 7. Normal duration of activity (*let it have its ~*, have free course till it rests of itself like pendulum). 8. Seat slung by ropes or chains for ~ing in (~s & ROUND^a-abouts), spell of ~ing in this. 9. Compass to which thing ~s (*has a ~ of 3 ft*). 10. ~boat, boat-shaped carriage hung from frame for ~ing in; ~ bridge,

that can be swung aside as a whole or in sections to let ships etc. pass; ~ *plough*, without wheels. [OE *swingan*, cf. Sw. *svinga*, G *schwingen*]

swinge (-i), v.t. (~ing). Strike hard, beat, (arch. exc. in a ~ing blow etc.); (part.) huge (~ing majority, lie, damages; cf. *thumping*, *whopping*, etc.), [OE *swengan*, casual of *prec.*]

swingle (swing+gl), n., & v.t. 1. Wooden instrument for beating flax & removing woody parts from it; swinging part of flail; || ~tree, crossbar pivoted in middle to ends of which traces are fastened in cart, plough, etc. 2. v.t. Clean (flax) with ~; *swinging-tow*, coarse part of flax. [f. MDu. *swinghel*, as *SWING*, -LE(1)]

|| **swink**, v.i., & n. (arch.). Toil. [OE (-nc, -ncan), cogn. w. *SWING*]

swipe, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Hit at or hit cricket-ball etc., hit (cricket-ball etc.), hard & recklessly, slog; (sl.) steal by snatching; hence *swip'er* n. 2. n. Reckless hard hit or attempt to hit at cricket etc., slog. [var. of *SWEEP*]

|| **swipes** (-ps), n. pl. Washy or turbid or otherwise inferior beer. [f. *prec.* in obs. sense *drink off*]

swirl, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Eddy, carry (object) or be carried with eddying motion. 2. n. Eddying motion of water, air, etc., commotion made by fish etc. rushing through water. [cf. Norw. *swirla* frequent. of *sverra* hum, whirl, & G *schwirren*]

swish¹, v.t. & i., & n. || Flog with birch; audibly cut the air with (cane etc.), cut (flower etc.) off thus; make such audible cut with cane etc.; (make, move with) sound as of cane or lash or swift bird cutting the air or of scythe cutting grass; || a stroke of a birch or cane or lash. [imit.]

|| **swish**², a. (colloq.). Smart, swagger. [?] **Swiss**, a., & n. (pl. the same). (Native) of Switzerland (~ *French*, *German*, dialects of French & German spoken in Switzerland; ~ *guards*, ~ mercenaries formerly employed in France etc. & still at the Vatican; ~ *roll*, kind of jam sandwich baked & rolled up). [f. F *Suisse* f. MHG *Swiz*]

switch, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Flexible shoot out from tree, tapering rod resembling this. 2. Tress of dead hair tied at one end used in hairdressing. 3. Kinds of mechanism for making & breaking connexion between corresponding parts of a system by which railway trains are diverted from one line to another, electric circuits completed or interrupted, etc. 4. || ~back, zigzag railway for ascending or descending steep slopes, also railway (chiefly used for amusement at fairs etc.) in which train's ascents are effected solely by momentum acquired in previous descents; ~bar, part of railway or electric ~; ~board,

arrangement for varying the connexion between a number of electric circuits; ~lever, handle & lever operating a ~; ~man, in charge of railway ~es; ~signal, flag or lantern or semaphore board indicating position of railway ~. 5. vb. Whip with ~. 6. Swing (thing) round quickly, snatch suddenly, whisk, (cow ~es her tail; I ~ed my head round; he ~ed it out of my hand). 7. Transfer (train, current) with ~, (fig.) direct (thoughts, talk) to another subject; (Bridge) change to another suit in bidding. 8. Turn (electric light, current) off or on; put (user of telephone) on to or out (him) off from another (~ off intr., out off connexion). [cf. LG *swicken* n., *swicken* vb to bend or swish]

|| **swither** (-dh-), v.i., & n. (Sc.). 1. Hesitate. 2. n. Flurry, doubt, uncertainty. [?]

Swit'zer, n. (arch.). A Swiss. [MHG (G *Schweizer*, Du. *Zwitzer*) f. *Switz* Switzerland, -ER¹]

swivel, n., & v.i. & t. (-il-). 1. Ring & pivot serving as connexion between two parts of something & enabling one of them to revolve without the other (~ chain, bookrest, gun, -hook, -joint, rowlock, etc., provided with ~); ~eye(d), (with) squinting eye. 2. vb. Turn (t. & i.) on ~. [OE *swifan* see *SWIFT*, -LE(1)]

swob(ber), var. of *SWAB(ber)*.

swollen, *swoln* (arch.), p.p. of *SWELL*.

swöön, v.i., & n. (Have) fainting-fit (~ed for joy, with pain, etc.); (of music etc.) die languidly away, whence ~ing-ly² adv. [n. f. vb, ME *swoune* perh. back form. f. *swogning* n. f. *swoggen* p.p. = OE *geswogen* fainted (*swogan* to choke) + -ING¹]

swööp, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Come down or down with the rush of a bird of prey, make sudden attack from a distance, (often upon prey, place, etc.); (colloq.) snatch up, snatch, the whole of, at one ~. 2. n. Sudden attack or downward plunge as of bird of prey; snatching action carrying off many things at once; at one fell ~ (in describing completeness & extent & suddenness of catastrophe etc., see *Mach.* iv. iii. 219). [n. f. vb, OE *swopan* rush, cf. ON *svœipa*, G *schwoefen* ramble; cogn. w. *SWEEP*, *SWIPE*]

swöp, *swap* (-öp), v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. (sl.). Exchange (v.t. & i., & n.) by way of barter (never ~ horses while crossing the stream, leave changes till crisis is past; ~ped my knife for bread; will you ~ places etc.?, or abs.; shall we try, a ~?). [f. 14th c. in obs. sense *hit*, prob. imit.]

sword (sôrd), n. 1. Offensive weapon consisting of long variously shaped blade for cutting or thrusting or both & hilt with hand-guard (BROAD ~; cavalry ~, sabre; court, dress, ~, worn with court dress; double-edged, two-handed, etc., ~; duelling, small, ~, kind with straight edgeless

blade of triangular section used for thrusting only; *SCUTTING*~; || ~ of *State*, borne before sovereign on State occasions; the ~ of the *spirit*, the word of God; *cross or measure* ~s, have fight or controversy or open rivalry, often with; *draw, sheathe, the* ~, begin, cease from, war; *throw one's ~ into the scale*, back claim etc. with arms; *put to the* ~, kill, esp. of victors or captors; *fire & ~*, rapine, destruction spread by invading army; the ~ of *justice*, judicial authority; the ~, war, the arbitrament of war, military power, sovereign power; (army al.) bayonet. 2. ~-arm, right; ~-bayonet, kind with short ~blade & hilt; || ~-bearer, person carrying sovereign's or other great person's ~ on some occasions; ~-belt, to which scabbard is attached; ~-bill, long-billed humming-bird; ~-cane, hollow walking-stick enclosing ~-blade; ~-cut, wound given with ~-edge, scar left by it; ~-dance, in which ~s are brandished, or women pass under men's crossed ~s, or performer treads about ~s laid on ground; ~-fish, large Atlantic & Mediterranean kind with upper jaw elongated into sharp weapon capable of piercing other fish or ship's timbers; ~-flag, esp. yellow iris; ~-flighted, (of birds) having flight-feathers of separate colour & looking when closed like ~ worn at side; ~-grass, gladiolus, kinds of sedge with ~-like leaves; ~-guard, part of ~-hilt that protects hand; ~-hand, right; ~-knot, ribbon or tassel attached to ~-hilt orig. for securing it to wrist; ~-law, military domination; ~-lily, gladiolus; ~-play, fencing, (fig.) repartee, cut-&-thrust argument; ~-s'man, person of (usu. specified) skill with ~, whence ~s'manship(8) (sɔrdz-) n.; ~-stick, ~-cane. Hence (-)~ED², ~LESS, ~LIKE, ~PROOF², aa. [OE *sweord*, cf. Du. *zwaard*, G *schwert*, etym. dub.]

swore, sworn. See **SWEAR**.

|| **swōt**, v.i. & t. (-tt-), & n. (school sl.). 1. Work hard esp. at books, sap; ~ (subject) *up*, study it hurriedly. 2. n. Hard study; (thing that demands) effort, a sweat, (*it is too much ~*; *what a ~!*); person who works hard esp. at learning, a sap. [var. of **SWAT**]

swum, swung. See **SWIM, SWING**.

sy-, =SYN- in Gk compds with wds in s- followed by consonant or in z- & their derivatives.

syb'arjite, n. & a. 1. (*S~ile*). Inhabitant of ancient-Greek colony of Sybaris in Italy noted for luxury. 2. Luxurious & effeminate (person). Hence ~it'ic a., ~itum(2) n., ~it'ically adv. [f. L (-ta) f. Gk *Subartēs* (*Subartis*, -ITE¹)]

syb'it, n. (Erron. for) **SELY**.

sy'amine, n. (bibl.). The black mulberry-tree. [f. L f. Gk *sukaminos* mulberry-tree f. Heb. *shiqmah* sycomore]

sy'amōre, n. (Also ~ *fig* or *Egyptian* or *oriental* ~) kind of fig-tree growing in Syria & Egypt; (also ~ *maple*) large timber-tree allied to maple. [f. OF *sicamore* f. L f. Gk *sukomoros* (*sukon* fig, *moron* mulberry)]

syce. See **SICE¹**.

sy'cee', n. (Also ~ *silver*) ingots of pure silver bearing banker's or assayer's seal & used in China for payments by weight. [f. Chin. *si sz'* fine silk (as capable of being drawn out fine)]

sy'chnocārp'ous (-k-), a. (bot.). Bearing fruit several times before dying, perennial. [Gk *sukhnos* numerous, *karpōs* fruit, -OUS]

sy'cōn'ium, n. (bot.; pl. -ia). Fleshy hollow receptacle developing into multiple fruit as in fig. [mod. L (Gk *sukon* fig)]

sy'coph'ant, n. Flatterer, toady, parasitic person. So ~ANCY n., ~ān'tic a. [f. L (-ta) f. Gk *sukophantēs* informer, perh. f. *sukon* fig, *phainō* show (informing against export of figs or plunder of sacred fig-trees)]

sy'cōs'is, n. Skin-disease of bearded part of face or scalp also called *barber's itch*. [f. Gk *sukōsis* figlike ulcer (*sukon* fig, -OSIS)]

sy'en'ite, n. Grey crystalline rock of feldspar & hornblende with or without quartz. Hence ~it'ic a. [f. (syé-), f. L *Syenites* (*lapis* stone) of Syene in Egypt, see -ITE¹]

syl-, =SYN- in Gk compds w. words in l- & their derivatives.

syll'abār'y, n. List of characters representing syllables & serving the purpose, in some languages or stages, of an alphabet. [L *syllaba* SYLLABLE, -ARY¹]

syllāb'ic, a. Of syllable(s) (often in comb., as *mono*, *di*, *tri*, *quadri*, ~ic, having 1, 2, 3, 4, syllables); (of symbols) representing a whole syllable; articulated in syllables. Hence ~ically adv. [f. Gk *sullabikos* (SYLLABLE, -IC)]

syllāb'icāte, **syllāb'if'y**, **syll'abize**, vv.t. Divide into or articulate by syllables. Hence **syllābica'tion**, **syllābifica'tion**, nn. [Gk *sullabē* see foll., -IC, -ATE², -FY, -IZE]

syll'abl'e, n., & v.t. 1. Unit of pronunciation forming a word or part of a word & containing one vowel sound & often consonant(s) preceding or following or preceding & following this; (transf.) so much as a word, the least amount of speech, (*not a ~el*, do not speak); hence (-)~ED² (-ld) 2. v.t. Pronounce by ~es, articulate distinctly; (poet.) utter (name, word). [f. OF *sillabe* f. L f. Gk *sullabē* (SYL-, *lambanō* take); for -le cf. **PRINCIPLE, PARTICIPLE**]

syllabus. See **SILLABUS**.

syll'abus, n. (pl. -bi, -buses). 1. Abstract giving heads or main subjects of a lecture, course of teaching, etc., conspectus or programme of hours of work etc. 2. (R.-C.

Ch.) summary of points decided by an ecclesiastical decree, esp. catalogue of eighty heretical doctrines or practices or institutions condemned by Pius IX in 1864. [mod. L based on a prob. non-existent Gk *sullabos*]

syllēp'/sis, n. (gram.; pl. ~ses). Application of a word to two others in different senses (e.g. in a flood of tears & a sedan-chair) or to two of which it grammatically suits one only (e.g. neither you nor he knows). So ~tic a., ~tically adv. [LL, f. Gk *sullēpsis* (*sullambanō* see SYLLABLE) comprehension]

syll'ogism, n. Form of reasoning in which from two given or assumed propositions called the premis(es) & having a common or middle term a third is deduced called the conclusion from which the middle term is absent (FIGURE¹, MOOD², of ~ism; false ~ism, one whose conclusion does not necessarily follow from its premisses because it fails to fulfil the rules of logic regarding the nature & mutual relations of the major & minor & middle terms necessary if the inference is to be sound); (transf.) deductive reasoning as opp. induction. So ~is'tic a., ~is'tically adv. [f. OF *silogisme* f. L f. Gk *sullogismos* f. *sullogizomai* (SYL-, *logizomai* to reason f. *logos* reason), -ISM]

syll'ogize, v.i. & t. Use syllogisms; throw (facts, argument) into syllogistic form. [f. med. L *syllogizare* f. Gk *sullogizomai* (prec.)]

sylph, n. Elemental spirit of the air (cf. *nymph*, *gnome*, *salamander*, of water, earth, fire) in Paracelsus's system, whence ~like a.; (transf.) slender girl; kinds of long-tailed humming-bird. [f. mod. L *sylphes* or G *sylphen* (pl.), prob. invented by Paracelsus]

sylvan. See SILVAN.

sylviculture. See SILVICULTURE.

sym-, =SYN- in Gk compds with words in b-, m-, p-, as: ~blon(t), organism living in ~biosis [Gk *biōn -oontos* part. of *biōō* f. *bios* life]; ~blōs'is, permanent union between organisms each of which depends for its existence on the other as the fungus & alga composing lichen [f. Gk as *symbion*, -OSIS], whence ~biō'tic a., ~biō'tically adv.; ~pal'mograph, apparatus exhibiting sound-curves usu. by double pendulum with style attached [Gk *palmos* vibration f. *palloō* brandish]; ~pet'mous, (of bird) having tendons of toe-flexors united at a point [Gk *pelma* sole]; ~pet'alous, having petals united; ~phyll'ous, with leaves united [Gk *phyllon* leaf]; ~phys'is, growing together, (place or line of) union between two corresponding bones or other parts, coalescence, [Gk *phusō* grow], whence ~phys'eal a.; ~plēsm'eter, instrument for measuring force of current of water, also barometer in which atmospheric pressure is balanced

partly by column of liquid & partly by elastic pressure of confined gas [Gk *piests* pressure f. *piezō* press]; ~pōd'ium, stem whose successive sections are strictly branches each springing from the preceding, as in the vine [Gk *pous podos* foot], so ~pōd'ial a., ~pōd'ially² adv.

sym'bol, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Thing regarded by general consent as naturally typifying or representing or recalling something by possession of analogous qualities or by association in fact or thought (*white, the lion, the thunderbolt, the cross, are ~s of purity, courage, Zeus, Christianity; values the handle to his name only as a ~*). 2. Mark or character taken as the conventional sign of some object or idea or process, e.g. the astronomical signs for the planets, the letters standing for chemical elements, letters of the alphabet, the mathematical signs for addition & infinity, the asterisk; hence or cogn. **symbol'ic(al)** aa., **symbol'ically**² adv., **symbol'ics** n., ~ISM(3), ~IST(3), nn. (esp. denoting certain recent schools of painters & of French poets), ~IZE v.t. (see vb), ~IZA'TION, **symbol(ol)ogy**, **symbol(ol)ol'atry**, nn. 3. vb (rare, also & usu. ~ize). Be the ~ of; represent by means of ~, speak of under a ~; (~ize only) treat (story etc.) as ~ic & not literal, import ~ism into. [f. F *symbole* f. LL f. Gk *symbolos*, -on, token, watchword, f. *sumballō* (SYM-, *ballō* throw) agree]

symm'etr'y, n. 1. (Beauty resulting from) right proportion between the parts of the body or any whole, balance, congruity, harmony, keeping. 2. Such structure as allows of an object's being divided by a point or line or plane or radiating lines or planes into two or more parts exactly similar in size & shape & in position relatively to the dividing point etc., repetition of exactly similar parts facing each other or a centre, whence (in art) ~OPROB'IA n. 3. Approximation to such structure, possession by a whole of corresponding parts correspondingly placed; (Bot.) possession by flower of sepals & petals & stamens & pistils in (multiples of) the same number. Hence or cogn. **symmēt'ric(al)** aa., **symmēt'rically**² adv., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~IZA'TION n. [f. LL f. Gk *summetria* f. *SYM(metros) f. metron* measure) commensurate, symmetric]

sympathēt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, full of, exhibiting, expressing, due to, effecting, sympathy (~ heart, person, conduct, words; ~ landscape etc., that touches the feelings by association etc.; ~ pain etc., caused by pain or injury to someone else or in another part of the body; ~ sound, resonance, string, sounding by vibration communicated through the air or other medium from vibrating object; ~ STROKE; ~ nerve, any, esp. either of two extending the length of the vertebral column, of a

system of nerves uniting viscera & blood-vessels in common nervous action; ~*ink*, writing done with which is invisible till brought out by warmth or other agency); (as Gallicism, & in critics' slang) capable of evoking sympathy, appealing to reader etc.; hence *sýmpathét'*ICALLY adv. 2. n. ~ nerve or system; person peculiarly sensitive to hypnotic or similar influence. [f. late Gk *sýmpathétikos* (SYMPATHY, PATHETIC)]

sým'pathize, v.i. Feel or express sympathy, share feeling or opinion with person etc., agree with sentiment. Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. F *sympathiser* (foll., -IZE)]

sým'pathý, n. Being simultaneously affected with the same feeling, tendency to share or state of sharing another person's or thing's emotion or sensation or condition (*with*), mental participation in another's trouble (*with*), compassion (*for*), agreement in opinion or desire. [f. LL f. Gk *sýmpatheia* f. *SYM*(*pathēs* f. *pathos* feeling) sympathetic]

sým'phoný, n. (Arch.) harmony, consonance of sounds, whence *sýmphôn'*ious a. (rare); (Mus.) SONATA for full orchestra, (also) opening or closing instrumental passage in song. Hence *sýmphôn'*io a. [f. OF *simphonie* f. L f. Gk *sýmphônia* f. *SYM*(*phōnos* f. *phōne* sound) harmonious]

sýmpōs'íarch (-k), n. President of symposium, toast-master, feast-master. [f. Gk *sýmposiarkhos* (foll., -arkhos -ruler f. *arkhō* rule)]

sýmpōs'ium (-z-), n. (pl. ~a). 1. Ancient-Greek after-dinner drinking-party with music, dancers, or conversation; any drinking-party. 2. Philosophical or other friendly discussion; set of contributions on one subject from various authors & points of view in magazine etc. Hence ~AL a. [f. L f. Gk *sýmpōsion* f. *SYM*(*pinō* drink, cf. *posis* drinking) drink together]

sýmp'tom, n. Perceptible change in the body or its functions indicating disease (*subjective, objective*, ~s, directly perceptible only to patient, to others); sign or token of the existence of something. Hence or cogn. ~ÁT'io a., ~ATÓ'ogy n. [f. F *symptome* f. L f. Gk *sýmptōma* -alos chance, symptom, f. *SYM*(*pipō* fall, -M)]

sýn-, pref. (appearing also as *SYL-*, *SYM-*, *syn-* before r-, *sys-*, before s- not followed by consonant, & *SY-*; the Gk change of *sun-* to *syn-* before gutturals is disregarded in mod. derivatives) repr. Gk *sun* prep. & pref., with, together or alike, in wds derived directly f. Gk wds (*syncope*) or made f. Gk (*synnathous*) or very rarely f. non-Gk (*synovial*) elements:—~(a)er'esis (-nēt-), contraction of two vowels or syllables into one [Gk *haireō* take]; ~allagmá't'ic, (of treaty or contract) imposing reciprocal obligations [Gk *allagmā* exchange]; ~al(o)eph'a (-is), elision or obscuration of final before

initial vowel [Gk *aleiphō* smear]; ~an'therous, with stamens coalescent by the anthers; ~an'thous, with flowers & leaves appearing simultaneously [Gk *anthos* flower]; ~aphe(i)'a (-ēa), continuity between lines or sections of lines in verse, allowing the ordinary rules of elision & quantity to operate with the final syllable [Gk *haplō* join]; ~arthrōs'is (pl. -ōses), immovable articulation, as in sutures of skull & socketing of teeth; ~carp, aggregate or multiple fruit, e.g. blackberry, fig, so ~carp'ous a. [Gk fruit]; ~chondrōs'is (-k-), (nearly) immovable articulation of bones by layer of cartilage, as in spinal vertebrae; ~clast'ic, concave, or convex, all over (opp. *antichlastic*, partly concave & partly convex) [Gk *kladō* break]; ~clin'al, (of strata) dipping towards a common line or point (opp. *anticlinal*, dipping away); ~cotylē'd'onous, with cotyledons united; ~cret'ism, attempt to sink differences & effect union between sects or philosophic schools, so ~cret'ic, ~cretist, ~cretis'tic, ~cretize v.t. & i. [Gk *sygkretizō* etym. dub., combine against common enemy]; ~cyl'tium (pl. -ia), mass of protoplasm with several nuclei but forming one cell [-CYTE]; ~dac'tyl(ous) aa., with digits united as in webbed feet etc., so ~dac'tyl'ism; ~desmōs'is, articulation by ligaments, so ~desmō't'ic, ~desmō'ogy, ~desmog'raphy [Gk *desmos* bond f. *deō* bind]; ~dell'ic, of, using, conjunctions [ASYNDETON]; ~drome (-m), concurrence of, set of concurrent, symptoms in disease; ~ec'doche (-ki), extended acceptance by which when a part is named the whole it belongs to is understood, as in *50 sail* (for ships) [Gk *ek* out, *dekhomai* accept]; ~esis, violation of grammatical rule due to influence exerted by the sense (as *neither of them are right*) [Gk *eunesis* understanding (*hiēmi* send)]; ~gen'esis, formation of embryo partly from the male & partly from the female element; ~gnathous, (of fish) with jaws united into tubular snout; ~izēs'is (pl. -ēsēs), pronunciation of two vowels not making a diphthong as one syllable [Gk *hiēō* to seat]; ~oe'cious (-nēshus), having male & female organs in one inflorescence or receptacle, as in composite flowers & mosses [Gk *oikos* house]; ~osteol'ogy, science of the joints of the body; ~ost(e)ōs'is, anchylosis, so ~ostō't'ic a.; ~ōv'ia, albuminous fluid secreted by membranes in interior of joints & in other places needing lubrication, so ~ōv'ial a. [invented by Paracelsus from unknown elements].

sýn'agōgue (-ōg), n. Jewish congregation with organized religious observances & instruction, its place of meeting. Hence *sýnagōg'ical* (-gī-, -jī-) a. [f. LL f. Gk *synagōgē* (prec., *agōgē* bringing f. *agō* bring)]

sýnch'ron'ize (-ngk-), v.i. & t. Occur at the same time, be simultaneous or ~ous a. (whence ~ously² adv., (with); ascertain or set forth the correspondence in date of (events); cause (clocks) to show, (of clocks) show, a standard or uniform time. Hence or cogn. ~ism(1) n., (also) co-ordination of the audible and visible components in cinematography, television, etc., ~iza'tion, n. [f. Gk *sugkchronizō* (SYN-, *khronos* time, -ize)]

sýn'cop'late, v.t. Shorten (word) by dropping interior letter(s) or syllable(s), as in *symbology* for *symbolology*, *Gloster* for *Gloucester*; (Mus.) displace beats or accents in (passage) so that what was 'strong' becomes 'weak', & vice versa. Hence ~a'tion n. [L *syncopare* swoon (foll.), -ATE³]

sýnc'opé, n. (Gram.) syncopated spelling or pronunciation; (Med.) fainting, loss of consciousness from fall of blood-pressure, whence **sýncóp'**(t)ic a.; (Mus.) syncopation, also such combination of voice-parts that two or more notes in one coincide with one in another. [f. Gk *sugkōpē* (SYN-, *kōpō* strike)]

sýnc'ro-mesh, a. & n. (System of gear-changing, esp. in motor-cars) in which the sliding gear-wheels are provided with small friction clutches which make contact with the non-sliding wheels before engagement, thus facilitating gear-changing by making both wheels revolve at the same speed. [for *synchronized mesh*]

sýn'dic, n. Official of kinds differing in different countries & times; || (Camb. Univ.) member of special committee of senate. [F, f. LL f. Gk *sun(dikos f. dikē justice) advocate*]

sýn'dicalism, n. A movement among industrial workers having as its object the transfer of the means of production & distribution from their present owners to unions of workers, the method generally favoured for the accomplishment of this being the general strike. [f. F *syndicalisme* (*syndicat* trade union, SYNDICATE, -ISM)]

sýn'dicate, n. (-at), & v.t. (-ât). 1. Body of syndics (esp. at Camb.); combination of commercial firms etc. associated to forward some common interest; combination of persons for the acquisition of literary articles etc., and their simultaneous publication in a number of periodicals. 2. v.t. Form (parties) into ~; deal with (news etc.) by ~. Hence **sýndica'mon** n. [vb f. n., f. F *syndicat* (prec., -ATE³)]

sýn'e, So. for *since* (*auld lang ~*, the days of long ago, esp. as title & refrain of song sung at parting etc.).

sýn'ed, n. 1. Ecclesiastical council (*oecumenical* or *general*, *national*, *provincial*, *diocesan*, ~, attended by bishop(s) &

delegated clergy of all nations, a nation, a province, a diocese); (Presb.) ecclesiastical court above presbyteries & subject to General Assembly; any meeting for debate. 2. (astron.). Conjunction of planets or stars. So ~al, **sýn'od'ic(al)**, aa., **sýn'od'ically** adv. [f. LL f. Gk *sunodos* (SYN-, *hodos* way) meeting]

sýn'oným, n. Word identical & coextensive in sense & usage with another of the same language (as *caecitis*, cf. *typhilitis*); word denoting the same thing(s) as another but suitable to different context (as *leap*, *slay*, cf. *jump*, *kill*) or containing different suggestion (as *blind-worm*, cf. *slow-worm*); word equivalent to another in some only of either's senses (as *ship*, cf. *vessel*). Hence or cogn. **sýn'onym'ity** n., **sýn'onym'ous** a. (with), **sýn'onym'ously**² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *sunōnumos* of like sense (SYN-, *onoma* -atos name)]

sýn'onym'ic, a. Of or using synonyms. [prec., -ic]

sýn'onym'y, n. Synonymity; collocation of synonyms for emphasis (as *in any shape or form*); system or collection of, treatise on, synonyms. [f. LL f. Gk *sunōnumia* (SYNONYM, -y¹)]

sýn'óp'sis, n. (pl. -p'ses). Summary, conspectus. [f. LL f. Gk *syn(opsis seeing f. op-see)*]

sýn'óp'tic, a. & n. 1. Affording a conspectus or general survey (~ *gospels*, those of Matthew, Mark, & Luke); of the ~ *gospels*; ~ *chart* (Meteor.), weather map; hence ~al a., ~ally² adv. 2. n. (Also **sýn'óp'tist**) writer of a ~ gospel. [f. Gk *synoptikos* (prec., -ic)]

sýnovit'is, n. Inflammation of the membrane that secretes the lubricating fluid in a joint. [f. *SYNOVIA* + -ITIS]

sýntác'tic, a. & n. 1. Of, according to, syntax; hence ~ically adv. 2. n. pl. Branch of mathematics relating to the number of ways of putting things together under conditions. [f. Gk *suntaktikos* (foll.)]

sýn'tax, n. Sentence-construction, the grammatical arrangement of words in speech or writing, set of rules governing this. [F (-ze), f. LL f. Gk *suntaxis* (SYN-, *taxis* order) marshalling, syntax]

sýn'thê'sis, n. (pl. ~ses). Combination, composition, putting together, (opp. *analysis*); building up of separate elements esp. of conceptions or propositions or facts, into a connected whole, esp. a theory or system; (Chem.) artificial production of compounds (called 'synthetic rubber, indigo', etc.) from their constituents as opp. extraction from plants etc.; (Gram.) making of compound & derivative words, preference of composition & inflexion to use of prepositions etc.; (Surg.) joining of divided parts. Hence or cogn. **sýnthê'tic(al)** aa., **sýnthê'tically** adv., ~ism(1), ~ize, vv.t., ~ism(1),

~sist, nn. [L, f. Gk *synthesis* (SYN-, *tithēmi* put); the irreg. ~size more used than the correct ~tize]

syph'er, v.t. Join (planks) with overlapping edges into flush surface; ~joint, thus made. [var. of CYPHER in obs. sense]

syph'ilis, n. Pox, a contagious venereal disease affecting first some local part (*primary* ~is), secondly the skin & mucous membrane (*secondary* ~is), & thirdly the bones & muscles & brain (*tertiary* ~is). Hence ~it'ic, ~ous, ~oid, aa., ~ize (b) v.t., ~ol'o'gy n. [F, f. *Syphilis*, (character in) 16th-c. Latin poem on the subject.]

syphon, **syren**, error, for si-.

Sýriac, n. & a. (In) the language of ancient Syria, western Aramaic. Hence ~ism (4) n. [f. L f. Gk *Suriakos* (*Suria* Syria f. *Suros* a Syrian, -AC)]

Sýrian, a. & n. (Native) of Syria. [*Syria*, -AN]

sýring'a (-ngga), n. The mock orange, a shrub with strong-scented white usu. clustered flowers. [SYRINK (w. ref. to use of stems cleared of pith as pipe-sticks), -A]

sýringe (-j), n. & v.t. 1. Cylindrical tube with nozzle & piston into which liquid is first drawn by suction & then ejected in fine stream used in surgery, gardening, etc., squirt, (*hypodermic* ~, needle-pointed for hypodermic injections). 2. v.t. Sluice or spray (ears, plants, etc.) with ~. [f. med. L *siringa* f. Gk as foll.]

sýrinx, n. (pl. -es, -ngēs). Pan-pipe; (Archaeol.) narrow rock-cut gallery in Egyptian tombs; (Anat.) Eustachian tube from throat to drum of ear supplying latter with air, whence **sýringit'is** (-j-) n., lower larynx or song-organ of birds, whence **sýring'eal** (-j-) a.; (Surg.) fistula, whence **sýringōt'omy** n. [L, f. Gk *suringx* pipe]

Sýro-, comb. form f. Gk *Suros* Syrian, as ~arab'ian, ~phoeni'cian. [-o-]

syr'tis (sér-), n. (pl. -tēs). Quicksand. [L, f. Gk *surtis* (*suro* draw)]

sýrup, ~si-, n. Water (nearly) saturated with sugar, this combined with flavouring as beverage or with drug(s) as medicine; condensed sugarcane-juice, part of this remaining uncrystallized at various stages of refining, molasses, treacle, (|| *golden* ~, trade name for pale kind). Hence ~y² a. [f. OF *sirup* f. Arab. *shardb* beverage, cf. **SHERBET**]

sýsarcōs'is, n. Connexion between bones by intervening muscle. [f. Gk *sussarkōsis* (SYN-, *sarkōō* f. *sarz* sarks flesh, -OSIS)]

sýstē'ta, n. pl. (Gk Ant.). Public messes of Spartans & some other Dorians at which citizens were required to feed with a view to the promotion of patriotism, military efficiency, discipline, & simplicity. [Gk (*su-*) pl. of *sustition* (SYN-, *stios* food)]

sýstē'tic, a. Contracting & dilating by turns, having systole & diastole, pulsatory. [f. LL f. Gk *sustaltikos* (SY-, *stellō* place, -IO)]

sýs'tēm, n. 1. Complex whole, set of connected things or parts, organized body of material or immaterial things, (~ of *pulleys*, several arranged to work together; ~ of *philosophy*, set of co-ordinated doctrines; *mountain* ~, range or connected ranges; *river, railway*, ~, river, railway, with its tributaries or branches, also rivers, railways, of a country, continent, etc.; *solar* ~, sun & planets; *nervous, muscular*, etc., ~, the nerves, muscles, of a person's or animal's body; *digestive* etc. ~, all bodily parts subserving digestion etc.; *the* ~, the body as a functional whole, as *the poison has passed into the or his* ~; *Ptolemaic* etc. ~, set of hypotheses or principles composing Ptolemy's etc. theory; *Devonian* etc. ~, set of strata etc. so named). 2. Method, organization, considered principles of procedure, (principle of) classification, (~ of *government*; *what* ~ do you go on?; *lacks, works with*, ~; *Linnaean, natural*, etc., ~, classifications with different criteria), whence ~LESS a. 3. (mus.). Braced staffs of score. [f. LL f. Gk *sustēma* -atos (SY-, *histēmi* set, -M)]

sýstēmāt'ic, a. Methodical, according to a plan, not casual or sporadic or unintentional, (~ic *worker, liar, insolence, nomenclature*). Hence or cogn. ~ICALLY adv., sýs'tēmātizē(3) v.t., sýs'tēmātism(1), sýs'tēmātist(1), sýs'tēmātizē², sýs'tēmātizā'tion, nn. [f. LL f. late Gk *sustēmatikos* (prec., -IO)]

sýstēm'ic, a. (physiol.). Of the bodily system as a whole, not confined to a particular part. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [-IO]

sýs'tolē, n. (physiol.). Contraction of heart etc. alternate with DIASTOLE. Hence sýstōl'ic a. [f. Gk *sustolē* (*sustellō*, see SYSTALTIC)]

sýs'tyle, a. With columns set comparatively close together. [f. L f. Gk *sy(stulos style²)*]

sýs'tylous, a. (bot.). With styles united. [as prec., -OUS]

sýz'ygy, n. (astron.). Conjunction or opposition. [f. LL f. G k *suzugia* f. *suseugnumi* (SY-, *zeugnumi* f. *zeugon* yoke)]

T

T, t, (tē), letter (pl. Ts, T's). T-shaped thing, esp. attrib., as *T-bandage, -bar, -bolt, -joint, -pipe, -SQUARE; suits me, hit it off*, etc., to a *T*, exactly, to a nicety; *cross the T's*, (fig.) be minutely accurate, also, emphasize a point.

|| *ta* (tah), int. (nursery, vulg.). Thank you, as *ta muchly, must say ta*. [!]

taal (tahl), n. *The ~*, earlier Afrikaans.

[Du. = language, cogn. w. TALE]

tāb, n. Small flap, strip, tag, or tongue, as part of or appendage to garment etc., e.g. metallic binding at end of boot-lace, (also ear~) flap at side of cap to protect ear; (Mil.) mark on collar distinguishing staff-officer; (colloq.) account, tally, check (esp. in phr. *keep ~* (or *~s*) on, keep account of, have under observation or in check). [?]

tāb'ard, n. (Hist.) coarse outer garment worn by the poor, knight's garment worn over armour; herald's coat blazoned with arms of sovereign. [OE, etym. dub.]

tāb'arēt, n. Upholstery fabric of alternate satin & watered-silk stripes. [mod. trade wd, perh. f. TABBY]

tābasheer', -shir (-čr), n. Kind of opal found in joints of bamboo & used in E.-Ind. medicine. [Hind. & Arab. (-ir)]

tābb'y, n., & v.t. 1. Watered fabric esp. silk (often attrib.). 2. (Also ~cat) brindled or mottled or streaked cat, esp. of grey or brownish colour with dark stripes; cat, esp. female. 3. Gossiping woman esp. old maid. 4. (Also ~moth) kinds of moth. 5. Kind of concrete. 6. v.t. Give wavy appearance to (fabric). [(vb f. n.) f. F *tabis* f. Arab. *'attābiy* a quarter of Bagdad; some senses perh. f. *Tābiṭha*]

tābēf'ac'tion, n. Emaciation due to disease. [f. LL *tabefacere* (*tabere* f. TABES, see -FACTION)]

|| **tāb'er'dār**, n. Scholar of Queen's College, Oxford. [= *tabarder* (TABARD + ER¹), from former dress]

tāb'ernācle, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Bibl.) fixed or movable habitation usu. of slight construction, (fig.) human body; *Feast of T~es*, Jewish autumn festival commemorating the dwelling of the Jews in wilderness; (Jewish Hist.) tent used as sanctuary before final settlement of Jews in Palestine. 2. (often contempt.) Place of public worship. 3. Receptacle for pyx or eucharistic elements. 4. (archit.). Canopied stall, niche, or pinnacle, ~e-work, series, tracery characteristic of such ~es, whence ~ED² (-ld) a. 5. Socket or double post for hinged mast that requires lowering to pass under bridges. 6. vb. (fig.). Provide with shelter; dwell temporarily. So **tābernāc'ūlar** a. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *tabernaculum* tent (*taberna* hut, see -CULE)]

tāb'ēs (-z), n. (med.). Emaciation; *dorsal ~*, wasting disease of spinal cord, locomotor ataxia. [L]

tābēt'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, affected with, (esp. dorsal) tabes. 2. n. ~patient. So **tābēs'-cence**, **tāb'itude**, nn., **tābēs'-cent**, **tāb'ic**, **tāb'id**¹, aa., **tāb'idly**¹ adv. [Irreg. f. prec. + -t- + -ic]

tāb'inēt, n. Watered fabric of silk & wool. [as TABARET]

tāb'lature, n. (arch.). Mental picture;

graphic description. [F (as see foll., -URE)]

tā'ble, n., & v.t. 1. Article of furniture consisting of flat top of wood or marble etc. & one or more usu. vertical supports esp. one on which meals are laid out, articles of use or ornament kept, work done, or games played; *breakfast, luncheon, dinner, tea, supper, ~*, ~ used for such meals or on which such meal is laid out (at ~, while taking meal at ~, as *refused to talk politics at ~*; *under the ~*, esp. drunk after dinner); each half of folding backgammon ~; *billiard~* (for billiards, with slate top covered with green cloth); **LORD's**, **ROUND**¹, **KNEE**¹-hole, **DRESSING**-, **TOILET**-, ~. 2. Part of machine-tool on which work is put to be operated on. 3. Slab of wood, stone, etc. 4. Matter written on this, esp. the two ~s or the ~s of the law or covenant or testimony, ten commandments, the twelve ~s, laws promulgated in Rome 451-450 B.C., principal source of Roman jurisprudence. 5. Level area, plateau. 6. (archit.). Flat usu. rectangular surface, horizontal moulding esp. cornice. 7. Flat surface of gem, cut gem with two flat faces. 8. Palm of hand, esp. part indicating character or fortune. 9. Each of two bony layers of skull. 10. Company seated at (dinner- etc.) ~, as *kept the ~ amused*. 11. (Quantity & quality of) food provided at ~, as *keeps a good ~*, *expenses of his ~*. 12. List of facts, numbers, etc., systematically arranged esp. in columns, matter contained in this, *as mathematical ~s* (of logarithms, trigonometrical ratios, etc.), *~s of weights & measures*, *knows his multiplication ~ up to 12 times 12*, ~ of (i.e. prohibited) DEGREES, ~ of CONTENT's. 13. *Lay, lie, on the ~*, postpone (measure, report, etc., in Parliament etc.), be postponed, indefinitely; *turn the ~s* (on person, or abs.), reverse relations (between), esp. pass from inferior to superior position [f. backgammon sense of ~s]. 14. ~beer, ordinary beer used at ~; ~book, ornamental usu. illustrated book kept on ~; ~clamp (for fastening thing to ~); ~cloth (of white linen etc. for use at meals, of coloured material for use at other times); ~cut, (of gem) cut with flat top; ~flap, hinged end of ~-top, lowered when not in use; ~knife, steel knife for use at ~; ~land, extensive elevated region with level surface, plateau; ~leaf, piece that may be inserted in top of ~ to increase its length, also, ~flap; ~lifting, ~moving, ~rapping, ~tipping, ~turning, lifting etc. of ~ apparently without physical force, as spiritualistic phenomenon; ~linen, ~cloths, napkins, etc.; ~money, allowance to higher officers in army etc. for official hospitality, charge to members of club for use of dining-room; ~spoon; ~talk, miscellaneous talk at ~ (often as

title of book); ~ *tennis*, ping-pong; ~ *tomb*, flat-topped chest-like tomb in Roman catacombs; ~ *ware* (for use at ~); ~ *water*, mineral water bottled for use at ~. Hence ~ *FUL* n. 15. v.t. Lay (measure etc., as above) on the ~. 16. Set (timbers) together with alternate grooves & projections in each to prevent shifting. 17. Strengthen (sail) with wide hems. Hence *tāb'linā*¹ (1, 2) n. [(vb partly f. OF *tabler*) F, f. L *tabula* board, tablet, etc.] *tāb'leau* (-lō), n. (pl. -*eaux* pr. -ōz). Pictorial presentation, esp. (also ~ *vivant*, see Ap.; pl. ~ *x vivants*; lit. living picture) silent & motionless group of persons etc. arranged to represent a scene; dramatic or effective situation suddenly brought about; (as int., after description of incident) picture the scene!; ~ *curtains* (Theatr.), pair of curtains to draw across & meet in the middle of the stage in place of the usual drop-curtain. [F, = picture, dim. of prec.] *table d'hôte* (tahbl-dōt'), n. Common table for guests at hotel; ~ *dinner* etc. (served in hotel etc. at fixed hour & price). [F, = host's table] *tāb'lēt*, n. 1. Thin sheet of ivory, wood, etc., for writing on, esp. each of a set fastened together; (usu. pl.) such set. 2. Small slab esp. with or for inscription, as votive ~. 3. Small flat piece of prepared substance, esp. fixed weight or measure of a drug brought by pressure or addition of gum into convenient shape. 4. (Also *tablette*) projecting horizontal coping of wall. [f. OF *tablete* (TABLE, -ETTE)] *tāblier*¹ (-lyā), n. Woman's small apron or apron-like part of dress. [F] *tāb'lōid*, n. 1. = *TABLET* (sense 3; P). 2. Newspaper that gives its news in concentrated & easily assimilable form; also attrib., as ~ *journalism*. [-OID] *tabōō*¹, n., a., & v.t. 1. (Among Polynesians etc.) system, act, of setting apart person or thing as accursed or sacred; ban, prohibition. 2. adj. Under a ban, prohibited, consecrated. 3. v.t. Put (thing, practice, etc.) under ~, exclude or prohibit by authority or social influence, as *the subject was ~ed*. [(vb f. n.) f. Polynes. *tapu* a. & n.] *tāb'or*, n. (hist.). Small drum, esp. one used to accompany pipe. [f. OF *tabour* perh. f. Arab., cf. TAMBOUR] *tāb'ouret* (-borit), n. Small seat usu. without arms or back, stool; embroidery-frame. [OF, = stool, dim. as prec.] *tabu*. Var. of TABOO. *tāb'ula*, n. (pl. -ae). (Anat.) hard flat surface of bone etc.; ~ *rad'a*, eroded tablet, (fig.) human mind at birth viewed as having no innate ideas. [L, = board, table, pl. tablets] *tāb'ular*, a. Of, arranged in, computed etc. by means of, tables, as a ~ *statement*, ~ *sales, results, computations, arranged in*

~ *form*, ~ *difference* (between successive logarithms etc. in mathematical tables); broad & flat like a table, as ~ *surface*; (formed) in thin plates, as ~ *structure*. Hence ~ *LY*¹ adv. [f. L *tabularis* (prec., see -AR¹)] *tāb'ulāte*, v.t., & a. 1. Arrange (figures, facts) in tabular form, whence ~ *ATION*, ~ *ATOR*¹, nn.; give flat surface to. 2. adj. (-at). Having flat surface, composed of thin plate. [f. TABULA + -ATE¹,²] *tāc'amahāc* (-ama-), n. Gum resin from some S.-Amer. & other trees; the balsam poplar. [Sp. (-ca), f. Aztec *comahiyac*] *tāc'au-tāc'* (-ō-), n. (fencing). Parry combined with riposte; rapid succession of attacks & parries. [F, imit.] *tā'cē*, v.i. imperat. Be silent (~ is Latin for a candle, veiled injunction = NUM¹). [L] *tā'cēt*, mus. direction indicating silence of voice or instrument. [L, = is silent] *tāch(e)*, n. (bibl.). A clasp, link. [see TACK] *tachōm'eter* (-k-), n. Instrument for measuring velocity. So *tachōm'etry* n. [f. Gk *takhos* speed + -METER] *tāchycard'ia* (-ki-), n. (path.). Abnormally rapid heart-action as a disease. [f. Gk as foll., & see CARDIAC] *tachy'graph'y* (-k-), n. Stenography, esp. that of ancient Greeks & Romans. Hence ~ *ER*¹ n., *tāchygrāph'ic(al)* aa. [f. Gk *takhos* swift + -GRAPHY] *tāch'yliyte* (-k-), n. A vitreous form of basalt. Hence ~ *lyt'io* a. [as prec. + -*lutos* f. *luō* loose, from ready fusion under blowpipe] *tachym'eter* (-k-), n. Surveyor's instrument for rapid location of points. [as prec. + -METER] *tā'cit*, a. Understood, implied, existing, without being stated, as ~ *consent*, *agreement*, *understanding*; abstaining from speech or action (~ *spectator*). Hence ~ *LY*¹ adv. [f. L *tacitus* silent (*tacere* be silent)] *tā'citurn*, a. Reserved in speech, not given to much speaking. So *tāciturn'ity* n. [f. L *taciturnus* as prec.] *tāck*, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Small sharp flat-headed nail of iron, copper, etc., for securing carpet etc. (*tin*~, iron ~ coated with tin; BRASS ~s). 2. pl. Long stitches as temporary fastening in needlework. 3. (naut.). Rope for securing corner of some sails, corner to which this is fastened; direction in which vessel moves as determined by position of sails (*port, starboard*, ~, with wind on port, starboard, side); temporary change of direction in sailing to take advantage of side wind etc., esp. each of several alternate movements to port & starboard (~ & ~, by successive ~s). 4. (fig.). Course of action or policy, as *must change our ~, am on the right or wrong ~, try another ~*. 5. = *fall*.

(parl. sense). 6. Sticky condition of varnish etc., whence ~INNESS n., ~'r² a. 7. [prob. diff. wd]. Food, fare, esp. HARD ~; soft ~, bread, good fare. 8. ~driver, machine that automatically places & drives ~s; ~hammer, light hammer for driving ~s, usu. with claw for extracting ~s. 9. vb. Fasten (carpet etc., often down) with ~s, stitch (pieces or parts of cloth etc.) lightly together; (fig.) annex, append, (thing to or on to another, esp. as in foll.). 10. Change ship's course (often about) by shifting ~s & sails (cf. WEAR³); (fig.) change one's conduct, policy, etc. Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [(vb f. n.) doublet of TACH (Ezod. xxvi. 6) f. OF *tache* clasp, nail, cf. ATACH, & G *zacken* prong, Du. *tak* twig] **tack'ing**, n. In vbl senses, esp.: (Law) priority of a third or subsequent mortgage etc. to a second of which notice was not given; || (Parl.) appending of an extraneous clause to a money bill to secure its passing House of Lords, which cannot amend money bills. [-ING¹]

tack'le, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Mechanism esp. of ropes, pulley-blocks, hooks, etc., for lifting weights, managing sails or spars, etc. (*naul. pr.* ták'l); windlass with its ropes & hooks; requisites for a task or sport, as *fishing* ~; grasping or holding or obstructing esp. of opponent in football; ~block, pulley over which rope runs; ~fall, rope connecting blocks of a ~. 2. vb. Grapple with, grasp with endeavour to hold or manage or overcome, (opponent, awkward thing or business, problem); (Footb.) obstruct or seize & stop (player running with ball); secure by means of ~; ~to (colloq.), fail to work vigorously, set to. Hence **tack'ling** (1, 3, 6) n. [(vb f. n.) ME & LG *takel* f. MLG *taken* lay hold of, cogn. w. TAKE]

tact, n. Intuitive perception of what is fitting esp. of the right thing to do or say, adroitness in dealing with persons or circumstances, whence ~FUL, ~LESS, aa., ~fully² adv., ~lessness n. [f. L *tactus* -ús (sense of) touch (*tangere* touch)]

tact'ical, a. Of tactics; (of bombing) carried out in immediate support of military or naval operations; adroitly planning or planned. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. Gk *taktikos* (toll.) + -AL]

tact'ics, n. (As sing. or pl.) art of disposing military or naval forces esp. (cf. STRATEGY, LOGISTICS) in actual contact with enemy; (pl.) procedure calculated to gain some end, skilful device(s), as *cannot approve these* ~; so occas. in sing. form **tact'ic** n. Hence **tacti'cian** (-ishn) n. [f. Gk *taktika* neut. pl. (*tassó* arrange, see 30)]

tact'ile, a. Of, perceived by, connected with, the sense of touch, as ~impression, organ, so **tact'ual** a., **tact'ually**¹ adv.; tangible; (Paint.) producing or having to do with the effect of solidity (~values

etc.). Hence **tactil'ity** n. [f. L *tactilis* (*tangere* tact- touch, see -ILE)]

tad'pole, n. Larva of batrachian e.g. frog from time it leaves egg till loss of gills & tail; ~fish, European fish with large flat head. [ME *tadpole* (TOAD + POLL¹, f. size of head)]

taed'tum vit'ae, n. (path.). Weariness of life with tendency to suicide. [L.]

tael (tāl), n. Chinese ounce (=1½ oz avoirdupois) esp. of silver as former monetary unit. [Port., f. Malay *tahil* weight]

taen'ia, n. (pl. ~ae). (Archit.) fillet on top of Doric epistyle; (Anat.) ribbonlike part esp. of brain; roller bandage; tape-worm; (Ok & Rom. Ant.) fillet, head-band. Hence ~oid a. [L. f. Gk *tainia*]

täff'eta, n. Kinds of silk or linen fabric esp. thin glossy silk of plain texture. [f. F *taffetas* f. Pers. *tāftah* (*tāftah* twist)]

täff'rail, **täff'erel** (-fril), n. Rail round stern of vessel; (-erel) upper part of stern. [f. Du. *taferel* dim. of *tafel* f. L as TABLE, assim. to RAIL¹]

Täff'y¹, n. (colloq.). Welshman. [W pronunc. of *Davy*=David]

taffy². See TOFFEE.

täff'ia, n. (W. Ind.). Kind of rum distilled from molasses etc. [native]

täg, n., & v.t. & i. (-gg-). 1. Metal point at end of lace. 2. Loop at back of boot used in pulling it on. 3. Address label, esp. one for tying on. 4. Loose or ragged end of anything; ragged lock of wool on sheep. 5. Appendix; (Theatr.) closing speech addressed to audience; trite quotation, stock phrase, refrain of song. 6. (Tip of) animal's tail. 7. [perh. diff. wd]. Children's game in which one chases the rest (*cross*-, *long*-, etc., ~, forms of this). 8. ~rag, = RAG¹ ~; ~sore, pustular disease of sheep; ~tail, kind of worm, sycophant. 9. vb. Furnish (lace etc., literary composition) with a ~. 10. Join (thing, esp. piece of writing, to or on to another, things together), find rhymes for (verses), string (rhymes) together. 11. Shear away ~s from (sheep). 12. (colloq.). Follow closely or persistently. 13. Touch (person pursued) in game of ~. [(vb f. n.) f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

tagét'ès (-jëtéz), n. Kinds of plant of aster family with showy yellow or orange flowers. [f. L *Tages*, Etruscan divinity]

tagg'er (-g-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: pursuer (also called *it*) in game of tag; (pl.) thin sheet iron, whether coated with tin or (*black* ~s) not. [-æ¹]

tahsil' (-äl), n. Territorial subdivision in India for revenue purposes. Hence ~dar n., native collector of revenue in ~. [Hind. & Arab., = collection; Pers. *dār* holder]

taiga (ti'gah), n. Coniferous forest between tundra & steppe. [Russ.]

tail¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Hindmost part of animal esp. when prolonged beyond rest

of body, as *dog wag's his ~*, *tail wag's dog*, *dog has his ~ between his legs* (as sign of alarm or dejection; often fig. of person); *~s up*, (of persons, fig.) in good spirits; *turn ~*, turn one's back, run away; *twist the lion's ~*, drop pinch of salt on ~ of, *Pasha of three etc. ~s*. 2. Thing like or suggesting ~ in shape or position, hind or lower or subordinate or inferior part, slender part or prolongation, as ~ (luminous train) of comet, ~ (outer corner) of the eye, ~ (end) of procession etc., ~ (weaker members) of the XI (or other sports team), ~ margin (at foot of page), followed by a ~ (long train) of attendants, at the ~ (back) of a cart, ~ (string & paper appendage at lower end) of a kite, *cow's ~*, frayed end of rope etc., ~ (=STEM¹) of musical note, ~ (part below line) of a g etc., ~ (exposed end) of slate or tile in roof, ~ (unexposed end) of brick or stone in wall, ~ (slender backward prolongation) of butterfly's wing, ~ (comparative calm at end) of a gale, ~ (calm stretch following rough water) of a stream, ~ of the trenches (fortif.), part first made by advancing party, make HEAD¹ or ~ of, PIGTAIL. 3. pl. = ~coat, as boys go into ~s at sixteen. 4. (In tossing) ~ or usu. ~s, reverse of coin turned upwards (see HEAD). 5. ~bay, part of canal lock between ~gate & lower pond; ~board, hinged or removable back of cart; ~brid (for protecting hem of skirt); ~coat, man's morning or evening coat with long skirt divided at back into ~s & cut away in front; ~gate, lower gate of canal lock; ~light (carried at back of train, car, cycle, etc.); ~piece, decoration in blank space at end of chapter etc., triangular piece of wood to which lower ends of strings are fastened in some musical instruments; ~pipe, suction-pipe of pump, (v.t.) fasten something to ~ of (dog, fig. person); ~race, part of mill-race below water-wheel; ~spin (Aviation), kind of spinning dive. Hence (-)~RD² (-ld), ~LESS, aa. 6. vb. Furnish with ~. 7. (colloq.). Remove the ends of (fruit). 8. Join (thing on to another). 9. ~ after, follow closely; ~ away or off, (of persons, dogs, etc.) fall behind or away in scattered line; ~ in, fasten (timber) by one end into wall etc.; ~ to the tide, ~ up and down stream, (of anchored vessel) swing up & down with tide. [(vb f. n.) OE *tæg(e)l*, cf. ON *tafl*, Sw. *tagel*, dial. G *zagal*]

tail², n. & a. (law). 1. Limited ownership (in ~, on those terms); estate limited to a person & heirs of his body. 2. adj. So limited, esp. estate ~, FEE~. [f. OF *taille* notch, cut, tax, f. *taillier* cut f. LL *taliare* (L *talea* slip of wood)]

tail'ing, n. In vbl senses of TAIL¹; also or esp. ~ unexposed end of brick or stone or beam in wall; (pl.) refuse or inferior part

of grain, ore, etc.; blur or other fault in calico-printing. [-ING¹]

tail'or, n., & v.t. & t. 1. Maker of (esp. men's) garments esp. to order (*the ~ makes the man*; *nine ~s go to a man*; *ride like a ~*, badly); ~bird, kinds of small bird sewing leaves together to form nest; ~made, (esp. of woman's dress) made by ~ usu. w. little ornament & w. special attention to exact fit; ~s chair (without legs), for sitting cross-legged as ~ at work; ~s cramp (in fingers & thumbs); ~s twist, kind of strong silk thread. Hence ~ESS¹ n. 2. vb. Be, work as, a ~, whence ~ING¹ n.; make clothes for (chiefly in p.p., as *well~ed*); (sl.) kill (bird) badly. [f. OF *tailleur* f. LL *taliatorem* (*taliare* TAIL¹, -OR¹)]

tain, n. Thin tin plate; tin foil for backing mirror. [F, = *étain* tin]

taint, n., & v.t. & l. 1. Spot, trace, of decay or corruption or disease (lit. & fig.), corrupt condition, infection, as *there was a ~ of insanity in the family*, *the moral ~ had spread among all classes*, *without ~ of commercialism*. 2. vb. Introduce corruption or disease into, infect, be infected, as ~ed meat, ~s all it touches, *meat will ~ readily in hot weather*, *his mind was ~ed*; ~ed goods (in trade-unionism), goods that members of a union must not handle because non-union labour has been employed on them or for similar reasons. Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY² adv. [f. F *teint* n. & p.p. of *teindre* TINGE; partly also aphetic f. ATTAINT]

Tai'-ping', Tae-, (ti-), n. One of those who took part in a rebellion in China (1850-54). [f. Chin. *t'ai ping* great peace]

taj (tahj), n. Tall cap of Mohammedan dervish. [Pers. f. Arab.]

täke¹, v.t. & l. (*töök*, ~n). I. General senses. 1. Lay hold of with the hand(s) or other part of the body or with any instrument (lit. & fig.), grasp, seize, capture, catch by pursuit or surprise, captivate, win, gain, as ~ it between your finger & thumb, *took him by the throat*, ~ it up with the tongs, ~ the BULL¹ by the horns, *deuce ~ it!*, ~ BIT¹ between teeth, ~ a fortress, ~ by storm, *took 113 prisoners*, *was ~n prisoner or captive*, *took his bishop (at chess)*, ~ the odd trick (at cards), ~s (gains, receives in payment) £40 a week, *took (gained) little by this move*, *took first prize*, ~ the CAKE or biscuit (sl.), *rabbit ~n in trap*, *took (surprised, caught) him in the act or at a disadvantage*, *was ~n ill or colloq. bad*, ~n aback, *what ~s (captivates) my fancy*, *was much ~n (charmed) with or by her manners*, *novel did not ~ (become popular)*, *vaccine did not ~ (operate)*. 2. Assume possession of, procure e.g. by purchase, acquire, avail oneself of, use, use up, consume, require as instrument, material, agent, etc., as ~s whatever he can lay his hand on, *wish you would not ~ my bicycle*,

~ (assume or enjoy as one's right) *precedence, took his degree*, ~ ORDER's, || ~ SILK, *shall ~ a holiday*, (cooking direction) ~ 1 oz of *curry-powder, do you ~* (buy regularly, subscribe to) *Punch?*, *am not taking any* (sl.), decline offer, *took* (engaged) *seats in advance, must ~ lessons, lodgings, a cab, will ~* (buy) 2 lb., ~ legal, medical, etc., *advice, consult lawyer etc.* (& see below), ~ (as instance) *the French Revolution, has ~n a partner, a wife*, (arch.) *took to* (as) *wife Jane Smith, ~ a BACK¹ seat, took his seat on the railing, must ~ the liberty of differing from you, must ~ leave to differ, took a mean advantage, do not ~ advantage* (avail yourself unfairly) *of his youth, ~ the opportunity, will ~* (drink) *a cup of tea, ~s too much alcohol, these things ~ time, ~ your time, do not hurry, it ~s a lot of doing* (is hard to do), ~s *a poet to translate Virgil, transitive verbs ~ an object*. 3. Cause to come with one, carry with one, conduct, convey, remove, dispossess person etc. of, as ~ *the letters to the post, the dog for a walk, the children to the pantomime, the corkscrew from the shelf, ~ for a RIDE, ~s his readers with him* (engrosses their attention), ~ *him through* (make him read) *a book of Livy, took him into partnership, ~s all the fun out of it, ~ to TASK, ~ in hand, undertake, start doing or dealing with, undertake the control or reform of* (the boy wants taking in hand), (see also special uses w. adv. & prop.). 4. Catch, be infected with, (cold, fever, etc.). 5. Conceive, experience, indulge, give play to, exert, as ~ *offence, umbrage, ~ a fancy to, ~s a pride in his work, a pleasure in contradicting, ~ pity on him, ~ no notice, ~ heed, pains, trouble*. 6. Ascertain (person's measure, height, temperature, address, etc.) by inquiry, measurement, etc. 7. Apprehend, grasp mentally, infer, conclude, understand, interpret, as *I ~ your meaning or* (arch.) *you, I ~ this to be ironical, I ~ it that we are to wait here, ~ person at his word¹, how would you ~* (translate, interpret) *this passage?*, ~ *it for granted, assume it, do you ~ me for* (think me) *a fool?* 8. Treat or regard in specified manner, adopt specified attitude towards, as ~ *things coolly, ~ it easy, should ~ it kindly of you* (be obliged) *if you would answer my letter, must not ~ it ill of him* (resent his conduct), ~ to HEART, ~ *as read, dispense with the actual reading of* (minutes etc.). 9. Accept, put up with, submit to, adopt, choose, receive, derive, as ~ *the offer, ~ what you can get, the bet was ~n, ~n & offered* (abbr. t. & o., phr. used in recording betting odds), *I took him* (his bet), *must ~ us as you find us, will ~ no nonsense, will not ~ this treatment, took it like a lamb, will not ~ a hint, ~ advice, act on it* (& see above), *you may ~ it from me or ~ my word for it, I, a well-informed person,*

assure you, ~ sides, join one of two parties, ~ (hold, adopt) *a different view, ~s its name from the inventor*. 10. Perform, execute, make, undertake, negotiate, deal with, as *took work for a friend, ~ notes, ~ a photograph, took a sudden leap, horse will not ~ fence, ~ a walk, ||* (be examined in) *the mathematical tripos, ~* (conduct) *the evening service, ~ a glance round you, took a deep breath, ~ an oath*. 11. Photograph, come out well etc. when photographed, as ~ *him in cap & gown, does not ~ well*. 12. ~ *account of*, include in one's reckoning, not overlook; ~ *aim, direct weapon or missile* (at object); ~ *care, be careful, be on one's guard, not neglect or fail, be cautious in arranging or deciding, as ~ care!, ~ care to leave plenty of room, ~ care not to wake the baby, ~ care how you speak or what you say to him; ~ care of, be careful of, be in charge of; ~ one's chance, accept risk of; ~ earth, (of fox etc., fig. of person) escape into hole; ~ EFFECT¹, EXCEPTION, HEART (of grace), HOLD²; ~ it* (colloq.), endure punishment etc.; ~ LEAVE¹ (of); ~ *one's life in one's hand, risk it; ~ person's esp. God's name in vain, use it lightly or profanely; ~ PART¹; ~ place, happen; ~ STOCK (of, in); ~ the WALL, ~ WIND¹*. II. Spec. uses w. prep., adv., & adv. phrr. 1. ~ *after, resemble* (person, esp. parent or relation) in character, feature, etc. 2. ~ *back* (colloq.), retract (words). 3. ~ *down*: write down, as ~ *down his name & address, took down the sermon in shorthand; humble, esp. ~ person down a peg¹ or two; swallow* (food etc.) esp. with difficulty or reluctance; remove (building, structure) by taking it to pieces. 4. ~ *from, diminish, lessen, weaken, as such faults do not ~ from his credit as a historian*. 5. ~ *in*: admit, receive, (lodgers, guest, etc.); ~ (lady) in (often to dinner), conduct from drawing-room to dining-room & sit beside; receive (washing, sewing, typewriting, etc.) to be done at home; include, comprise; reduce (garment etc.) to smaller compass, furl (sail); understand, digest mentally; believe (false statement); deceive; cheat; || ~ (newspaper etc.) by subscription; ~in n., a fraud, deception, piece of humbug. 6. ~ *into*: ~ *into one's confidence, confide in; ~ into one's head, conceive, get hold of, (idea), imagine, adopt the belief, (that, it . . . that), resolve* (to do). 7. ~ *off*: remove (clothes, hat, etc.) from the body (~ *off one's hat to, fig., applaud as admirable*); remove, conduct away, as *took him off to the station, took himself off, went off; deduct* (part of price); drink off; ridicule by imitation, mimic; jump, spring, (from, at, place); (Aviation) start from rest & become airborne; ~ *off n., caricature, spot, from which one jumps, (Aviation) becoming airborne, (Oregon) stroke causing one's*

own ball to go forward while touching but scarcely moving another. 8. ~ on: under-take (work, responsibility); ~ person on at golf etc., play with him; (colloq.) show violent emotion, make a fuss. 9. ~ out: cause to come out, bring or convey out, as ~ him out for a walk, books must not be ~n out of the library; remove (stain etc.); (Bridge) remove (one's partner) from the suit he has called by bidding a fresh suit or no trumps; ~ the nonsense etc. out of person, cure him of it; accept payment of (debt etc.) or compensation for (injury etc.) in, as took it out in cigars & drinks; ~ it out of, have revenge on, get satisfaction from, exhaust the strength of; procure, get issued, (patent, summons, etc.). 10. ~ over, succeed to management or ownership of (business etc.). 11. ~ to: begin, fall into the habit of, begin to busy oneself with, as took to humming a tune, ~ to bad habits, literature; conceive a liking for (person etc.). 12. ~ up: lift up; absorb, occupy, engage, as sponges ~ up water, ~s up all my time, my attention; train stops to ~ up (admit) passengers; ~ into custody; adopt as protégé; interrupt or correct (speaker); enter upon (profession, subject); pursue (matter, inquiry) further; secure, fasten, (dropped stitch, artery, etc.); furnish the amount of (loan etc.); ~ up with, consort with; ~ up the cudgels, GAUNTLET¹, GLOVE; ~ up n. (Mech.), kinds of device for tightening band etc. in machine, drawing up slack of thread, removing material that has been operated on, etc. 13. ~ (it) upon or on one f. venture, presume, to. [late OE *tacan* f. ON *taka*, cf. Sw. *taga*, Da. *tage*, cogn. w. TACKLE]

tāke¹, n. Amount (of fish, game, etc.) taken or caught; (Print.) amount of copy set up at one time; takings, esp. money received at theatre for seats; (Cinemat.) a scene that has been or is to be photographed; GIVE² & ~. [f. prec.]

tāk'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. one who takes a bet, as no ~s, a few ~s at 5 to 4. [-ER¹]

ta'kin (tah-), n. Tibetan horned ruminant. [native]

tāk'ing¹, n. In vbl senses, esp.: (pl.) money taken in business, receipts; (arch.) state of agitation, as was in a great ~. [-ING¹]

tāk'ing², a. Attractive, captivating; catching, infectious. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ING²]

tāl'apoin, n. 1. Buddhist monk in Ceylon, Siam, etc. 2. Kind of monkey. [f. Port. *talapota*, of E.-Ind. orig.]

tāl'as, n. pl. Winged boots or sandals as attribute of Mercury, Iris, & others. [L]

tāl'atype (tawl-), n. Photographic process invented by W. H. Fox Talbot in 1839, the basis of that now used. [TYPE]

tāl'e, n., & v.t. 1. A magnesium silicate usu.

found in flat smooth often transparent plates & used as lubricator etc.; (pop., commero.) mica esp. as glazing-material. Hence **tāl(c)k' r'**, ~OD, ~'OR, ~'OOS, aa. 2. v.t. Treat with ~. [F, f. Arab. *talq*]

tāl'cite, n. A massive variety of talc. [-ITE¹]

tāl'cum, n. = TALC; ~ powder, powdered talc for toilet use, usu. perfumed. [med. L]

tāle, n. 1. True or usu. fictitious narrative esp. one imaginatively treated, story, as tell him a ~, a true ~ of the Crusades, old wives' ~s, marvellous legendary ~s; ~ of a tub, idle fiction; prefer to tell my own ~ (give my own account of the matter); thing tells its own ~ (is significant, requires no comment, explains itself). 2. Malicious report whether true or false, as all sorts of ~s will get about, if all ~s be true (esp. as preface to scandal); tell ~s (out of school), report esp. with malicious intention what is meant to be secret; ~ bearer, person who does this, so ~ bearing a. & n.; ~ teller, one who tells ~s (in either sense). 3. || (arch., rhet., poet.). Number, total, as the ~ is complete, shepherd tells his ~ (of sheep). [OE *talus* narrative, cf. Du. *taal*, ON *tala* talk, tale, number, G. *zahl* number, cogn. w. TELL]

tāl'ent, n. 1. Special aptitude, faculty, gift, (for music etc., for doing; see *Math.* xxv. 14-30), high mental ability, whence ~ED², ~LESS, aa. 2. Persons of ~, as all the ~ of the country, looking out for local ~; (Sport. sl.) the ~, those who take odds etc. relying on their own judgement & knowledge, opp. to bookmakers. 3. Ancient weight & money of account among Greeks, Romans, Assyrians, etc., of varying value, as *Attic* ~ (about 2243. 15s.). 4. ~money, bonus to professional cricketer etc. for especially good performance. [f. L *talentum* f. Gk *talanton* balance, ~ (weight, money), cogn. w. *talas* adj. enduring, *fla-* endure, sustain]

tāl'es (-z), n. (law). Writ for summoning jurors, list of persons who may be so summoned, to supply deficiency; pray a ~, plead for completion of jury thus; ~man (or -lz), person so summoned. [L ~ (*de circumstantibus*) such (of the bystanders), first wds of writ]

Tāl'acō'tian (-shn), a. ~ operation, formation of new nose by means of flap taken from arm or forehead but severed only after union has taken place. [f. *Tagliacost*, Italian surgeon d. 1599 + -AN]

tāl'ion, n. (Also L *lax tāl'ion's*) the law of retaliation inflicting punishment of same kind & degree as injury (see *Lev.* xiv. 20). Hence **tāl'ion'ic** a. [F, f. L *talio* -onis (*talis* such)]

tāl'ipēd, a. & n. 1. Club-footed; (Zool., of sloth etc.) having feet twisted into unusual position. 2. n. ~ person of animal. [as foll.]

tāl'ipēs (-z), n. Club-foot(edness); taliped formation. [mod. L. *TALUS, pes pedis* foot]

tāl'ipōt, -ūt, n. A fan-leaved palm. [f. Hind. *tālpāt* f. Skr. *tālaputtra* (tala palm + *putra* leaf)]

tāl'isman (-z), n. Charm, amulet, thing capable of working wonders; (Astr.) magical figure cut or engraved & capable of benefitting its possessor. Hence **tālismān**'ic (-z) a. [f. Arab. *ṭīlām* f. late Gk *telesma* rite (Gk *telō* pay f. *telos* end, initiation, -M)]

talk (tawk), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Converse, communicate ideas, by spoken words, as *was ~ing with or to a friend, what are you ~ing about?*, ~ **HIG**, **TALL**, *people will ~ (scandal), now you're ~ing* (sl.=I welcome that offer etc.), *you can't ~* (colloq.=you are just as bad yourself); communicate by wireless signals. 2. Have the power of speech, as *child is learning to ~, parrots can ~*; use this to excess, as *is always ~ing*. 3. Express, utter, discuss, in words, as *you are ~ing nonsense, ~ treason, philosophy, shop*; *~ (cold) *turkey* (colloq.), tell the plain truth. 4. Use (language), as ~ *French, ~s nothing but English*. 5. Bring into specified condition etc. by ~ing, as ~ed himself hoarse, ~ person round, persuade him, ~ed him out of his resolution, into his grave, would ~ a horse's hind leg off, is talkative. 6. ~ about, discuss, as *do not want to be ~ed about* (made subject of gossip); ~ at, address to one of a company remarks covertly hostile to & meant to be heard by (another); ~ away, consume (time) in ~ing; ~ back, reply defiantly; ~ down, silence (person) by superior loudness or persistency; ~ of, discuss, mention, as ~ing (while we are on the subject) of *muffins, what time do you have tea?*, express some intention of (doing); || ~ out (bill, motion, in Parl.), get rid of it by prolonging discussion till time of adjournment; ~ over, discuss at some length, win over by ~ing; ~ round, discuss (subject) at length without reaching conclusion; ~ through one's hat (sl.), exaggerate or bluff or make wild statements; ~ to, speak to, (colloq.) reprove, give a piece of one's mind to, so *gave him a ~ing-to; ~ up*, discuss (subject) in order to rouse interest in it. Hence ~**ER**¹ (tawk-) n. 7. n. Conversation, as *let us have a ~, small ~, it will end in ~* (nothing will be done); short address or lecture in conversational style (esp. when broadcast by wireless); theme of gossip, as *they, their quarrels, are the ~ of the town*. [(n. f. vb) ME *talken* (OE *talas* in **TALS** + frequent. -k)]

ta'lkative (tawk-), a. Fond of talking. Hence ~**NESS** n. [-ATIVE]

ta'kce-ta'kce (tawk), n. Incessant chatter; broken English of Negroes etc. [**TALK**]

ta'lkies (tawkie), n. pl. (sl.). = **SOUND**² *films*. [f. **TALK**, after **MOVIES**]

ta'liking (tawk-), a. In vbl senses, esp.: having the power of speech, as ~ *parrot*; expressive, as ~ *eyes*. [-ING²]

tall (tawl), a. & adv. 1. (Of person) of more than average height; (of tree, steeple, mast, etc.) higher than the average or than surrounding objects; of specified height, as *he is six feet ~* (now usu. *high*), *how ~ is it?*; ~ *boy*, || bedroom chest of drawers 5 ft or more high sometimes in lower & upper sections or mounted on legs or on dressing-table, kind of chimney-pot; (sl.) extravagant, boastful, excessive, as *a ~ story, ~ talk, a ~ order* (exorbitant or unreasonable demand). 2. adv. (sl.). In a ~ way, as *talk ~*, boast. Hence ~**NESS** n. [prob. f. OE *getel* quick, prompt, cf. OHG *gizal* quick] **tall'** (lage), n. (hist.). Form of taxation abolished in 14th c. [ME & OF *tailage* (*tailer* cut, see **TAIL**² & -AGE)]

tall'ith, n. Scarf worn by Jews esp. at prayer. [Heb.]

tall'ow (-ō), n., & v.t. 1. Substance got by melting the harder & less fusible kinds of (esp. animal) fat, used for making candles & soap, greasing machinery, etc.; *vegetable ~*, kinds of vegetable fat similarly used; ~ *chandler*, maker, vendor, of ~ candles, so ~**ER**¹ (-ōer) n.; ~ *drop*, style of cutting precious stones with dome on one or both sides; ~ *face*, pale person; ~ *tree*, kinds of tree yielding vegetable ~. Hence ~**ISE**¹, ~**Y**² (-ōi), aa. 2. v.t. Grease with ~; fatten (sheep). [(vb f. n.) ME *talgh*, cf. G. Da., Sw. *talg*]

tall'y, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Piece of wood scored across with notches for the items of an account & then split into halves of which each party kept one; account so kept, score, reckoning; mark made to register a fixed number of objects delivered or received, such number used as unit, as *buy goods by the ~* (dozen, hundred, etc.); (in counting goods aloud as delivered) *16, 18, ~ (20), 96, 98, ~ (100)*; ticket, label of wood or metal or paper with name etc. attached to thing for identification, as *horticultural tallies*, plant labels; corresponding thing, counterpart, duplicate, (of). 2. || ~ *man*, one who keeps a ~ or ~ *shop*, one who sells goods by sample; ~ *sheet*, paper on which ~ is kept; || ~ *shop*, conducted on ~ system; || ~ *system*, trade (of sales on short credit with account kept by ~). 3. vb. Record, reckon, by ~; (Naut.) haul (sheet) taut; agree, correspond, (with), as *goods do not ~ with invoice*. Hence **tall'ISE**¹ n. [(vb f. n.) AF *tallie* f. L *talca*, see **TAIL**¹]

tall'y-hō, int., n., & v.t. & i. 1. Huntsman's cry to hounds on viewing fox. 2. vb. Utter, urge (hounds) with, this. [f. F *talaud*]

tāl'ma, n. Woman's or man's long cape or cloak in first half of 19th c. (F, J. R., French tragedian)

tāl'mi-gōld, n. Brass thinly coated with gold. [G, etym. dub.]

Tāl'mud, n. Body of Jewish law & legend comprising the Mishnah (precepts of the elders codified c. 200 A.D.) & the Gemara (commentary on the Mishnah in recensions at Jerusalem c. 400 & at Babylon c. 500), (also, in limited sense) the Babylonian Gemara. Hence **Tālmūd'ic** (AL) aa. [late Heb., = instruction (*lāmad* teach)]

Tāl'mudist, n. Compiler, adherent, or (now usu.) student, of the Talmud. Hence **~is'tic** a. [-IST]

tāl'on, n. 1. Claw esp. of bird of prey. 2. Cards left after deal. 3. Shoulder of bolt against which key presses in shooting it; ogee moulding; heel of sword-blade. Hence **~(-)ED¹** (-nd) a. [OF, = heel, f. LL *talo* -onis ankle f. L *talus* heel]

taluk' (-ōk), -ōōk, n. District in India subject to revenue collection by native officer; tract of proprietary land in India; **~dar**, such officer, proprietor of **~**. [Hind. (-uk)]

tāl'us, n. (pl. -i). 1. (Anat.) ankle(-bone); form of club-foot. 2. Slope of wall that tapers to the top or rests against bank; (Geol.) sloping mass of fragments at foot of cliff. [L, = ankle, heel (in sense *slope*, thr. OF *talus*)]

tamān'dūa, tām'anoir (-wār), nn. Kinds of ant-eater. [(*-ua*) Braz., (*-oir*) F corrupt.]

tām'arāck, n. Kinds of Amer. tree, esp. = HACKMATAK. [Amer.-Ind.]

tām'arin, n. Kinds of S.-Amer. marmoset. [native]

tām'arind, n. (Tropical tree with) fruit whose pulp is used in making cooling drinks etc.; **~fish**, preparation of fish with **~** pulp. [ult. f. Arab. *tamr* ripe date + Hind India]

tām'arisk, n. Kind of plant, esp. *common* or *French* **~**, evergreen shrub with feathery branches & white or pink flowers suitable for planting near sea. [f. LL *tamariscus*, etym. dub.]

tama'sha (-mah-), n. (Anglo-Ind.). A show or entertainment or function. [Arab.]

tām'bour (-oor), n., & v.t. 1. Drum, esp. bass drum; circular frame on which silk etc. is stretched to be embroidered, stuff so embroidered; (Archit.) cylindrical stone in shaft of column, circular part of various structures, called lobby with folding doors in church porch etc. to obviate draught; kinds of fish making drumming noise or like drum in shape; (Fortif.) palisaded defence for road, gate, etc. 2. v.t. Decorate, embroider, (stuff or abs.) **as ~**. [(vb f. n.) F, f. Arab. *tanbūr* lute, drum]

tām'bourin (-bor-), n. Long narrow drum used in Provence; (music for) dance accompanied by this. [F, dlm. of prec.]

tāmbourine' (-borén), n. 1. Small drum made of wooden or metal hoop with parchment stretched over one end & loose jingling metal disks. 2. Kind of African pigeon. [prob. f. prec.]

tāme, v.t., & a. 1. Make gentle & tractable, domesticate, break in, (wild beast, bird, etc.); subdue, curb, reduce to submission, humble, (person, spirit, courage, ardour, etc.). Hence **tāma-BILITY**, **tām'ableness**, (**-tāmer**)¹, nn., **tām'ABLE**, **~LESS** (-ml-; poet.), aa. 2. adj. Made tractable, domesticated, not wild, (**~ cat**, fig., person tolerated as useful hanger-on); (colloq., of land or plant) cultivated, produced by cultivation; submissive, spiritless, inert, feeble, flat, insipid, *as the ~st of slaves*, **~ acquiescence**, *scenery*, *description*. Hence **~LY** (-ml-) adv., **~NESS** (-mn-) n. [OE *temian* vb, *tam* a., cf. Du. *tam*, G *zähm*, cogn. w. L *domare*, Gk *damaō*]

Tām'il, n. Language, member, of a race inhabiting S. India & Ceylon. Hence **Tām'il'IAN** a. [native]

Tāmm'an'y, n. Central organization of democratic party in *~ Hall*, New York (often implying political corruption). Hence **~ISM** n.

tām-o'-shān'ter, tām'm'y, n. Round woollen or cloth cap fitting closely round brows but large & full above. [f. Burns's *Tam o' Shanter*]

tāmp, v.t. Pack (blast-hole) full of clay etc. to get full force of explosion, whence **~ING¹**(3) n.; ram down (road material etc.). Hence **~ER¹** (1, 2) n., (also) brick-layer's tool. [perh. back form f. *tamping* corrupt. of TAMPION]

tām'pān, n. Venomous S.-Afr. tick. [native]

tām'per, v.i. **~ with**: meddle with; make unauthorized changes in (will, MS., etc.); exert secret or corrupt influence upon, bribe. Hence **~ER¹** n. [var. of TEMPER]

tām'pion, n. Wooden stopper for muzzle of gun; plug e.g. for top of organ-pipe. [f. F as foll.]

tām'pon, n., & v.t. 1. Plug used to stop haemorrhage; pad for the hair. 2. v.t. Plug (wound etc.) with **~**. [(vb f. n.) F, var. of *tapon* (tape bung, -OON)]

tāmponade', n. Use of tampon for wound etc. So **tām'ponage**, **tām'ponment**, nn. [-ADE]

tamtam. See TOMTOM.

tān¹, v.t. & i. (-nn-), n., & a. 1. Convert (raw hide) into leather by soaking in liquid containing tannic acid or by use of mineral salts etc., whence **~n'ABLE** a., **~n'AGE**(3), **~n'er¹** [-ER¹(1)], **~n'ERY**(2, 3), nn.; make, become, brown by exposure to sun; treat (imitation marble, fish-nets, etc.) with hardening process; (sl.) beat, thrash. Hence **~n'ING¹**(1) n. 2. n. Bark of oak or other tree bruised & used for **~ning** hides; colour of this, yellowish-

brown; the bronze of sunburnt skin; *the* ~ (sl.), the circus; (also *spent* ~) ~ from which tannic acid has been extracted, used for covering roads etc.; ~balls (of *spent* ~, used for fuel); ~liquor, -coze, -pickle, liquid used in ~ning; ~yard, ~nery. 3. adj. Of ~ colour; BLACK ~ & ~. [(vb f. n.) F, prob. f. Celt., cf. Bret. *tann* oak]

tan². See TANGENT.

ta'na (tah-), **tān'a**, n. Military post, police-station, in India; *tan(n)'adar*, chief officer of this. [f. Hind. *thāna*]

tān'ag|er, n. Kinds of Amer. birds of finch family & mostly of brilliant plumage. Hence ~RINE', ~ROD, aa. [f. Braz. *tangara*]

Tān'agra, n. City of ancient Greece; (in full, ~ *statuette*, *figurine*) terracotta statuette found, or of the type found, in tombs near ~.

tān'dēm, adv., n., & a. 1. (Of horses in harness) one behind another; *drive* ~ (with horses so harnessed). 2. n. (Carriage with) horses ~; bicycle or tricycle with seats for two or more one behind another. 3. adj. (Of bicycle) so arranged. [L, = at length (of time), orig. joc. use in E]

tān'd stickor, n. Swedish wooden lucifer match. [f. Sw. *långsticka* match, pl. -or (*tānda* kindle + *sticka* splinter)]

tāng¹, n., & v.t. 1. Point. projection, esp. part of chisel etc., that goes into handle. 2. Strong taste or flavour, characteristic property, whence ~Y² (-ngl) a. 3. v.t. Furnish or affect with a ~. [ME, f. ON *tange* point]

tāng², n. Kinds of seaweed. [cf. Norw. & Da. *tang*, fool. *thing*]

tāng³, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Ring, twang, sound loudly, (t. & i.); induce (bees) to settle by striking pieces of metal together. 2. n. Twang. [imit.]

tān'gent (-j-), a. & n. 1. Meeting a line or surface at a point but not (when produced if necessary) intersecting it. 2. n. Straight line ~ to a curve at any point; *fly, go, off at a* ~, diverge impetuously from matter in hand or from normal line of thought or conduct; (Trig., abbr. *tan*) ~ of an *angle*, ratio of the perpendicular subtending it in any right-angled triangle to the base. 3. ~balance (showing weight by position of beam as shown on graduated arc). Hence **tān'gency** n., **tāngēn'tial** (-jēnshl) a., **tāngēn'tially**² adv. [f. L *tangere* touch, see -ENT]

Tāngerie' (-jērēn), a. & n. (Native) of Tangier; ~ (orange), small flattened kind. [f. *Tanger* Tangier, see -INE¹]

tān'ghin (-nggīn), n. Madagascar tree the fruit of which has poisonous kernel formerly used in ordeals. [F, f. native *tangena*]

tān'gible (-j-), a. Perceptible by touch; definite, clearly intelligible, not elusive or visionary, as ~ble advantages, scheme,

distinction; (Law) corporeal. Hence or cogn. ~ILU'RY, ~ibleness, nn., ~IBLY² adv. [f. L *tangibilis* (*tangere* touch, see -BLE)]

tangle¹ (tāng'gl), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Intertwine (threads, hair, etc.), become involved, in confused mass; entrap, entangle; complicate, as a ~d affair; ~*foot (sl.), whisky or intoxicants. 2. n. Confused mass of intertwined threads etc.; confused state, as *skewn, business, is in a* ~; device used in dredging for delicate forms of marine life. Hence ~SOME, **tāng'ly**¹ (-ngg-), aa. [n. f. vb, ME, var. of *tagle* entangle, prob. of Scand. orig.]

tangle² (tāng'gl), n. = TANG².

tāng'ō (-ngg-), n. (pl. ~s), & v.i. A S.-Amer. dance; (v.i.) dance the ~. [?]

tān'gram (-ngg-), n. Chinese puzzle square cut into seven pieces to be combined into various figures. [?]

tān'ist, n. (hist.). Successor apparent to Celtic chief, usu. most vigorous adult of his kin. [f. Ir. *tánaiste* heir]

tān'istry, n. Celtic mode of tenure according to which a lord's successor was chosen from his family by election (abolished in Ireland under James I). [-RY]

tānk, n. 1. Large metal or wooden vessel for liquid, gas, etc.; part of locomotive tender containing water for boiler; (E.-Ind.) storage-pond, reservoir for water. 2. (mil.). Armoured motor vehicle moving on caterpillar tracks & mounted with guns (~buster, al., aircraft with anti-~ cannon). 3. ~ *drama* (Theatr. sl.), sensational drama in which water is used for representing rescue from drowning etc.; ~ *engine*, railway engine carrying fuel & water receptacles on its own frame, not in tender. [f. Port. *tanque* f. LL *as STANOR*¹; or perh. of Ind. orig.]

tānk'age, n. (Charge for) storage in tanks; cubic content of tank(s); kind of fertiliser got from refuse fats etc. [-AGE]

tānk'ard, n. Large drinking-vessel usu. of silver or pewter & often with cover; contents of, amount held by, this, as a ~ of ale; COOL¹ ~; ~ *turnip*, kinds with oblong root usu. rising high above ground. [cf. Du. *tanckaert*, F *tanquart*, etym. dub.]

tānk'er, n. Ship with tank(s) for carrying liquids, esp. mineral oils, in bulk. [-ER¹]

tanner¹. See TAN¹.

|| **tānn'er²**, n. (sl.). A sixpence. [?]

tānn'ic, a. Of tan; ~ic acid (also ~IN a.), astringent substance got chiefly from bark etc. of oak & other trees & used in preparing leather & writing-ink & in medicine. So ~AR¹(S) n. (chem.), ~IR²MOUS a. [-IC]

tānrec. See TANNEC.

tān'sy (-xi), n. Herb with yellow flowers & finely-toothed bitter aromatic

used in medicine & cookery. [f. OF *taneste* f. med. L f. Gk *athanasia* immortality (a- not + *thanatos* death)]

tân'taliz'e, v.t. Torment, tease, (person etc.) with hopes that seem continually on point of fulfilment or with object almost within his grasp or with imperfect information etc. Hence ~^{LY} ADV. [f. TANTALUS + -IZE]

tân'talum, n. A rare white metallic element highly resistant to heat & to action of acids. [f. foll. w. ref. to its non-absorbent quality + -UM]

Tân'talus, n. 1. (Gk Myth.) son of Zeus condemned in Tartarus to stand up to chin in water that receded whenever he stooped to drink. 2. (~). Kinds of ibis; spirit-stand in which decanters are locked up but visible. 3. ~cup, toy cup containing figure of man illustrating principle of siphon. [L f. Gk *Tantalos*]

tân'tamount, a. Equivalent, as *his message was ~ to a flat refusal*. [orig. as vb, f. AF *tant* amount AMOUNT to so much (*tant* f. L *tantus* so great)]

tântâr'a, n. Succession of notes on trumpet or horn. [imit.]

tântiv'y, n., a., adv., & v.i. (arch.). 1. Hunting cry; swift movement, gallop, rush. 2. adj. Swift. 3. adv. Swiftly. 4. v.i. Hurry, rush. [perh. imit. of hoof-strokes]

tân'tra, n. Each of a class of recent Sanskrit religious works dealing chiefly with magic. Hence **tân'trism**(3), **tân'trist**(2), n. [Skr., =loom, groundwork, doctrine]

tân'trum, n. Display of temper or petulance, as *is in, went into, her ~s*. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

Taoism (tah'ô-, tow'z), n. Religious doctrine of Lao-tze, Chinese philosopher (c. 500 B.C.). [f. Chin. *tao* way + -ISM]

tâp', n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. || Cook through which liquid is drawn from cask or flows from pipe; plug used to close opening in cask; liquor of a particular brewing etc. w. ref. to quality, as *an excellent ~, you know the ~*; = ~room, as *found him in the ~*; instrument for cutting threads of internal screws; on ~, (of cask) furnished with ~, (of liquor) in such cask, ready to be drawn, || (of Treasury bills etc.) obtainable when & as required at a fixed rate; ~borer, auger for boring tapering hole in cask; || ~room (in which liquor is sold & drunk); ~root, chief descending root of plant. 2. v.t. Furnish (cask) with cock; pierce (cask etc.) to let out liquid, let out thus; (Surg.) give vent to (fluid accumulated in body), operate thus on (person); draw sap from (tree) by cutting into it; penetrate to, get into communication with, establish trade etc. in, (district etc.); apply to, solicit, (person for); breach (subject); divert part of current from (telegraph wires etc.) to intercept message; make internal screw-thread in.

[(vb OE *tæppan* f. n.) OE *tæppa*, cf. Du. *tap*, ON *tappi*, G *zapfen*]

tâp', v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Strike lightly, as ~ the door with your knuckles, pavement with your stick, ~ped his forehead knowingly; cause (thing) to strike lightly against etc., as ~ped his stick against the window; strike gentle blow, rap (at door etc.); apply leather to (heel of shoe). 2. n. Light blow, rap; sound of this, as *heard a ~ at the door*; (pl.) men's dinner-call in barracks, *signal on drum or trumpet for lights to be put out in soldiers' quarters; ~dancing, stage-dancing characterized by rhythmical ~ping of the feet. [(n. f. vb) imit., perh. thr. F *tapp(er)*]

ta'pa (tah-), n. Bark of a tree used in Pacific islands for clothes, mats, etc. [native]

tâpe, n., & v.t. 1. Narrow cotton or linen strip used for tying up parcels & in dress-making etc. (RED ~); such strip stretched across racing-track between winning-posts, as *breast the ~*, win race; narrow band of strong fabric rotating on pulleys etc. in machinery; continuous strip of paper in receiving instrument of recording telegraph; = ~measure, ~worm; (sl.) spirituous liquor. 2. ~line, ~measure, strip of ~ or thin flexible metal marked for use as measure, & often coiled up in cylindrical case; ~worm, kinds of ~like many-jointed worm infesting alimentary canal of man & most vertebrates. Hence ~LESS a. 3. v.t. Furnish, tie up, with ~; join sections of (book) with bands of ~; have person ~d (sl.), have summed him up. [(vb f. n.) OE *tæppe*]

tâp'er, n., a., & v.i. & t. 1. Slender candle, wick coated with wax etc. 2. adj. (now chiefly poet. or rhet.). Growing gradually smaller towards one end like cone or pyramid, as ~ fingers, whence ~NESS n., ~WISE adv. 3. vb. (Often ~ off) make or become ~, (cause to) grow gradually less, as *the upper part ~s or is ~ed off to a point*, whence ~ingly³ adv. [(vb f. adj. f. n., w. ref. to shape) OE]

tâp'êstri'y, n. Textile fabric in which wool is supplied with spindle instead of shuttle, with design formed by stitches across warp, used for covering walls, furniture, etc.; *Bayeux ~y*, ancient roll of linen representing scenes in life of William I preserved at Bayeux; *Russian ~y*, stout linen or hemp stuff used for blinds etc. Hence (-) ~ism³ (-rid) a. [f. F *tapisserie* (tapisser furnish with ~y, f. TAPIS, see -ERY)]

tâploc'a, n. Starchy substance in hard white grains got by heating cassava & used for puddings etc. [Port., f. Braz. *típoca* juice of cassava (*típi* dregs + *ok* pluck, squeeze)]

tâp'ir (-er), n. Hoofed swinelike mammal with short proboscis, allied to rhinoceros. Hence ~orb (-er-) a. & n. [f. Braz. *tapiira*]

tāp'is (-ē, -is), n. (Of subject) *be, come, on the ~* (under consideration or discussion). [OF, = tapestry, carpet, f. LL f. Gk *tapētion* dim. of *tapēs* -ēlos; phrr. f. use of tapestry for table-cloths]

tapōtēment (-tm-), n. (med.). Percussion as part of massage treatment. [F (*tapoter* to tap, -MENT)]

tāpp'ēt, n. Arm, collar, cam, etc., used in machinery to impart intermittent motion; ~ *loom* (in which hammers are worked by ~s). [perh. f. TAP² + -ET¹]

|| **tāp rāte**, n. (financ.). Current rate for Treasury bills etc. [f. phr. on TAP¹]

tāp'eter, n. Person employed at a bar to draw & serve liquor. [OE *tæppestre*, orig. fem. (TAP¹, -STER)]

tapu. See TABOO.

tār¹, n., & v. t. (-rr-). 1. Dark viscid liquid got by dry distillation of wood, coal, etc., & used as preservative of timber & iron, antiseptic, etc.; *a touch of the ~-brush*, admixture of Negro blood as shown by colour of skin; ~-board, stout millboard of ~red rope etc.; ~ *macad'am*, road-materials of stone or slag with ~; ~ *water*, cold infusion of ~ used as medicine, also, tarry ammoniacal water obtained in gas-manufacture. 2. v. t. Cover with ~; ~ & *feather*, smear with ~ & then cover with feathers as punishment; ~-red with the same brush or stick, having the same faults. [(vb f. n.) OE *teoru*, cf. Du. *teer*, ON *tjara*, Da. *tjære*, cogn. w. TREE]

tār², n. (Also *Jack* ~) sailor. [abbr. of TARPULIN]

tā'radiddle, tarra-, n. (colloq.). Fib, lie. [f.]

tār'a (-fern), n. Edible fern of New Zealand etc. [Tasmanian]

tārantāss', n. Springless four-wheeled Russian vehicle. [f. Russ. *tarantasu*]

tārantēll'a, -ēlle', n. (Music for) rapid whirling Ital. dance once held a cure for tarantism. [F (-le) f. It. (-la), as foll.]

tā'rantism, n. Dancing mania, esp. that originating in S. Italy among those who (thought they) had been bitten by the tarantula. [f. It. *Taranto* f. L. *Tarentum*, S.-Ital. town. -ISM]

tarān'tūl'a, n. Large spider of S. Europe whose bite was formerly held to cause tarantism; other kinds of spider. Hence ~-B¹ a. [f. It. *tarantola*, as prec.]

tāratān'tara (or -āntār'a), n. Sound of trumpet or bugle. [imit., cf. TANTARA]

tarāx'acum, n. Kinds of plant of aster family including dandelion; drug prepared from this. [prob. of Arab. or Pers. orig.]

tārboōsh', n. Cap like fez. [f. Arab. *tārboōsh*]

tār-damēn'tē, adv. (mus.). Slowly. [It.]

Tārdenois'tan (-z-), a. (archaeol.). Of the mesolithic period represented by remains at Tārdenois, Aisne, France. [-MAN]

tārd'igrāde, a. & n. (zool.). Slow-moving

(animal). [f. L. *tardigrādus* (*tardus* slow + *gradi* walk)]

tār'd'ē, a. & adv. (mus.). Slow(ly). [It.] **tār'd'y**, a. Slow-moving, slow, sluggish; late, coming or done late, as ~y *retribution, amends, reform*; (of person etc.) reluctant, hanging back. Hence ~ily² adv., ~INESS n. [f. F *tardif* f. L. *tardus* slow, see -IVE]

tārē¹, n. Kinds of vetch, esp. common vetch (in *Math.* xiii. 25, 36, perh. = darnel). [ME, etym. dub.]

tārē², n., & v. t. 1. Allowance made for weight of box etc. in which goods are packed, as *real, customary, average, ~*; weight of motor vehicle without fuel etc.; ~ & *trel*, arithmetical rule for computing ~ etc.; (Chem.) weight of vessel in which substance is weighed. 2. v. t. Ascertain weight of (box etc.). [F, f. Arab. *tarḥah* what is rejected (*tarḥa* reject)]

tārge. See foll.

tār'gēt (-g-), n. 1. Circular stuffed pad with concentric circles painted on surface as mark in archery; similar usu. rectangular mark for fire-arms; anything that is fired at (also attrib., as ~ *area*); (fig.) objective, result aimed at, as *export, fuel, savings, ~* (also attrib.); (fig.) person, thing, serving as mark for (scorn etc.). 2. Circular railway signal e.g. at a switch. 3. Neck & breast of lamb as joint. 4. (Also *targe* arch.) shield, buckler, esp. small round one, whence ~ED² a. 5. ~-card (coloured like ~, for keeping archer's score); ~ *ship*, old ship used as ~. [f. OF *tarquele* dim. of *targue* (also *targe*) f. ON *targa*, cf. OHG *sarga* frame, border]

Tār'gum, n. Each of various ancient Aramaic or Chaldee paraphrases of the Hebrew scriptures. Hence ~ūm'ic, ~ūm'ist'ic, aa., ~umist(3) n. [Chald., =interpretation (*targēm* interpret)]

tār'rif, n., & v. t. 1. List of duties or customs to be paid on imports or exports; such duties collectively; law imposing these; duty on particular class of goods; *preferential ~*, reduced duties on imports from favoured country; *retaliatory ~*, import duties levied by a nation to balance foreign duties imposed on its exports; ~ *reform*, removal of inequalities etc. in ~ (|| esp. as name given by opponents of free trade in U.K. to their policy); ~ *wall*, ~-created national trade barrier; list of charges, as *railway, telegraph, || refreshment-room, ~*. 2. v. t. Make ~ of duties on (goods); put a valuation on. [(vb f. n.) f. It. *tariffa* arithmetic, rate-book, f. Arab. *tar'if* notification (*'arafa* notify)]

tār'i'atan, n. Thin kind of muslin. [f. F *tarlatane* earlier *tarn-*, etym. dub.]

tār'm'ac, n. = TAP¹ *macadam*; part of air-field surface made of ~. [abbr.; F]

tār'n¹, n. Small mountain lake. [f. ON *tjörn*, cf. Sw. dial. *tjörna*]

tarn¹. See **TERN¹**.

***tarn'al**, ***tarnā'tion**, aa. & advv. (sl.).
Confounded(ly). [(ation on damnation)
corrupt. of ETERNAL]

tarn'ish, v.t. & i. & n. 1. Lessen or
destroy the lustre of, lose lustre, as *has
been ~ed by damp, will ~ if exposed, does
not easily ~*, (fig.) a ~ed reputation. 2. n.
Loss of lustre, blemlsh, stain; (Mineral.)
film of colour formed on exposed surface
of mineral. Hence ~ABLE a. [(n. f. vb) f.
F *ternir* (terne dark), see -ISH²]

ta'rō (tah-), n. (pl. ~s). Kinds of tropical
plant of arum family with root used as
food esp. in Pacific islands. [native]

tā'rōc, -ot (-ō), n. Game played with,
each card of, a pack of 78 cards. [f. F
tarot f. It. *tarocchi*, etym. dub.]

tārp'an, n. Wild horse of Tartary. [native]

tārpaul'in, n. Waterproof cloth esp. of
tarred canvas; sheet of this as covering;
sailor's tarred or oiled hat; (arch.) sailor.
[f. TAR + *palling* covering f. *pall* vb cover
f. FALL¹]

Tārpel'an (-pēan), a. ~ rock, cliff from
which ancient-Roman criminals were
hurled. [f. L *Tarpeius* of Tarpeia (who
was buried at foot of ~ rock) + -AN]

tārp'on, n. Large game-fish common on
south coast of U.S. [?]

tā'rradiddle. See **TARA-**.

tā'rragon, n. Plant allied to wormwood
& used in salads & in making ~ vinegar.
[f. Arab. *ṭarḫūn* perh. f. Gk as DRAGON]

Tārragon'a, n. Spanish wine like port.
[~ in Spain]

tā'rras, n. See **TRASS**.

tā'rrock, n. Young kittiwake; common
tern; guillemot. [?]

tā'rry¹, a. Of, like, smeared with, tar.
[-r²]

tā'rry², v.i. & t. (now literary). Remain,
stay, lodge, (at, in, etc.); wait (often for);
delay to come or appear, be late; wait for.
[f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

tārs'ia, n. Kind of mosaic woodwork.
[It.]

tārs'ier, n. Small large-eyed nocturnal
lemur. [F (foll., from structure of foot)]

tārs'us, n. (pl. ~i). 1. Collection of bones
between lower leg & metatarsus, ankle;
shank of bird's leg; (Entom.) terminal
segment of limb. 2. Plate of connective
tissue in eyelid. Hence ~AL a. ~I-, ~O-,
comb. forms. [mod. L, f. Gk *tarsos* flat
of the foot]

tārt¹, a. Sharp-tasting, acid; cutting,
biting, as a ~ rejoinder. Hence ~LY²
adv., ~NESS n. [OE *teart*, perh. cogn.
w. **TEAR¹**]

tārt², n. 1. || Pie containing fruit, as *apple,
cherry*, ~; *jam* ~, piece of pastry with
jam on top. 2. (sl.). Girl, woman, esp.
of immoral character. So ~LET n. [f.
OF *tarde* perh. var. of *to(u)rt* f. L *torguere*
torq. twist]

tārt'an¹, n. & a. 1. Woollen fabric with

stripes of various colours crossing at right
angles esp. as worn by Scottish High-
landers; (other fabric) so striped, as *silk*
~, ~ *velvet*; Scottish plaid with distinctive
pattern of a clan. 2. (rare). Highlander;
Highland troops. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

tārt'an², n. Kind of single-masted vessel
used in Mediterranean. [f. F *fortune* f.
It. *tartana*]

tārt'ar¹, n. Pink or red deposit from com-
pletely fermented wine, forming hard
crust on side of cask, whence **tārtā'ric**,
~OUS, aa. (chem.), ~IZA'TION n., ~IZE(5)
v.t.; CREAM¹ of ~; incrustation of saliva,
calcium phosphate, etc., forming on the
teeth; ~ *emetic*, double tartrate of potas-
sium & antimony used as emetic, purga-
tive, etc. [f. F *tartré* perh. f. Arab.]

Tārt'ar², **Ta'tar** (tah-), a. & n. 1. (Native)
of Tartary, (member) of a group of
peoples including Turks, Cossacks, etc.,
so **Tārtār'ian** a. 2. (Tar-) intractable or
savage person (*catch a ~*, meet with
person who is more than a match for
one). [cf. Pers. *Tādr*, perh. the native
form, whence *Tar-*, the usu. spelling, by
assoc. w. foll.]

Tārt'arus, n. (Gk Myth.). Abyss below
Hades where Titans were confined; place
of punishment in Hades. So **Tārtār'ian**
a. [L, f. Gk *Tartaros*]

tārt'ate, n. Salt of tartaric acid. [f.
TARTAR¹ + -ATE¹]

Tārtuf(f)'e (-ōōf), n. Religious hypocrite.
Hence ~ISM n. [character in Molière's ~e]

task (tah-), n., & v.t. 1. Piece of work
imposed; lesson to be learnt at school,
as *has done his ~*; a work voluntarily
undertaken, as *an arduous ~*, *undertook
the ~ of classification*; take person to ~,
accuse him of fault, rebuke him for (do-
ing); ~ *force*, specially organized unit for
a special ~; ~ *master*, ~ *mistress*, one who
imposes ~. 2. v.t. Assign ~ to; exact
labour from, put strain upon, tax, (*powers,
intellect*, etc.). [(vb f. n.) f. ONF *tasque*
(OF *tasche*) TAX]

Tāsmān'ian (-z-), a. & n. (Inhabitant) of
Tasmania; ~ *devil*, DASYURAE peculiar to
the island; ~ *wolf*, nocturnal carnivorous
wolflike marsupial. [after Abel *Tasman*,
discoverer]

|| **tāss¹**, n. (Sc.) Small draught (of brandy
etc.). [f. OF *tasse* cup prob. f. Arab. *fass*
basin]

Tāss², n. Telegraph agency of the Soviet
Union. [f. Initials of Russian title]

tāss'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Tuft of loosely
hanging threads or cords as ornament
for cushion, cap, etc.; ~-like head of some
plants, esp. staminate inflorescence at top
of stalk of Indian corn; ribbon sewn into
book to be used as bookmark; ~ *TORSEL*.
2. v.t. Furnish with ~; remove ~s of
(Indian corn) to strengthen plant. [(vb
f. n.) OF, perh. f. L *taeilus* small die]

tāste¹, v.t. & i. 1. Learn flavour of (food

etc., or abs.) by taking it into the mouth, as ~ *this cheese*, he ~s *teas* (professionally) for *Smith & Co.* 2. Eat small portion of or arch. of (esp. after negative), as *must just ~ a snack*, has not ~d food for 3 days. 3. Perceive the flavour of, as *can ~ nothing when you have a cold*, fancy I ~ *garlic*. 4. (arch.). Relish, enjoy, as *cannot ~ a joke against himself*. 5. Experience, have experience of, as *shall not ~ (of) death*, has never ~d (of) success. 6. (Of food etc., or fig.) have a flavour of, smack of, as ~s of *mint*, his writings ~ of the schools. Hence **tāst'ABLE** a. [f. OF *taster* handle, taste, ult. f. L *lazarare* TAX]

tāste², n. 1. Sensation excited in certain organs of mouth by contact of some soluble things, flavour, as *cannot endure the ~ of onions*, white of egg has no ~. 2. Sense by which this is perceived. 3. (rare). Act of tasting. 4. Small portion (of food etc.) taken as sample (*give him a ~ of the whip*, enough to show how it feels). 5. Liking, predilection, for, as *has no ~ for sweet things*, a ~ for *drawing, scenery, argument*, is not to my ~ (liking), ~s differ, there is no accounting for ~s, add pepper etc. to ~ (to the amount desired). 6. Faculty of discerning & enjoying beauty or other excellence esp. in art & literature, as is a man of ~, true, false, ~. 7. Disposition or execution of work of art, choice of language, conduct, etc., dictated by or seen in the light of this faculty, as *composed in admirable ~*, the remark was in bad ~. [ME, f. OF *tast* as prec.]

tāste'ful (-tī-), a. (Of person, work of art, etc.) having, showing, done in, good taste. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

tāste'less (-tī-), a. Having no flavour; insipid; lacking the physical sense of taste; lacking artistic taste; (of language, conduct, etc.) not in good taste. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

tās'ter, n. In vbl senses, esp.: person employed to judge of teas, wines, etc., by taste; (fig.) publisher's reader; (hist.) person employed to taste food before it was touched by his employer; small cup used by wine ~; instrument for extracting small cylindrical sample from a cheese. [-ER¹]

tās'tī'y, a. (colloq.). Savoury, of pleasant flavour; (now vulg.; of dress, decoration, etc.) in good taste. Hence ~ILY² adv. [-Y²]

tāt¹, v.i. & t. (-tī-). Do tatting; make by tatting. [prob. back formation f. TATTING]

tāt², **tāt'tōō**¹, nn. (Anglo-Ind.). Pony. [f. Hind. *ṭāṭṭā*]

ta-ta (tā'tā'), int. Good-bye. **Tatar**. See TARTAR². **Tāte Gall'ery**, n. London public gallery with permanent exhibition of pictures & sculpture by British & modern foreign artists. [Sir H. Tate, donor]

tatou (tah'tōb), n. An armadillo. [Tup.] **tāt't'er**, n. Rag, torn piece, of cloth, paper, etc. (usu. in pl.); ~demol'tion [etym. dub.], ragged fellow. Hence ~ED² (-erd) ~Y², aa. [cf. ON *tōlvar* rags]

Tāt'tersall's (-z), n. (Used for) headquarters of horse-dealing & betting rendezvous (*knows his ~ better than his Greek Testament*). [R. Tattersall, founder of firm]

tāt't'ing, n. Kind of knotted work used for trimmings etc. [?]

tāt'tle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Prattle, chatter, gossip, whence **tāt't'lingLY**² adv.; utter (words) idly. 2. n. Trivial talk. [(n. f. vb) perh. f. Mflem. *tatelen*, cf. MLG *taleren*]

tāt't'ler, n. 1. Prattler, gossip, (arch. *Tatler*, periodical of Steele & Addison). 2. Sandpiper. [f. proc. + -ER¹]

tattōō² (tat'ōō'), n., & v.i. 1. Beat of drum, or bugle-call, at 10 p.m. recalling soldiers to quarters, elaboration of this with music & marching as entertainment; *beat the devil's ~*, drum idly with fingers etc. 2. v.i. Tap quickly & repeatedly, beat the devil's ~. [(vb f. n.) f. Du. *tapiet* tattoo, lit. (put the) tap to]

tattōō³ (tat'ōō'), v.t., & n. 1. Mark (skin etc.) with indelible patterns by inserting pigments in punctures. 2. n. Such mark. [(n. f. vb) f. Tahitian *tatuu* n.]

tāt't'y, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Matting of cuscus-grass hung & kept wet to cool & perfume the air. [f. Hind. *ṭāṭṭī* wicker frame]

tau (taw, tow), n. Greek letter (Τ, τ)=t; kinds of fish etc. marked with or suggesting this; (attrib.) T-shaped, as ~ *cross*. [Gk]

Tauch'nitz (towk-), n. (Used for) any volume in the Library of British & American authors published by Tauchnitz of Leipzig, much used by travellers on the Continent.

taught. See TEACH.

taunt¹, v.t., & n. 1. Reproach, upbraid, (person etc. with conduct etc.) contemptuously, whence ~INGLY² adv. 2. n. Contemptuous reproach, object of this, as *endured the ~s of*, became a ~ to, his neighbours. [f. OF *tanter*, *tenier*, provoke, TEMPT; or f. F phr. *tant pour tant* so much for so much, tit for tat, f. L *tantum* so much]

|| **taunt**², a. (naut.). (Of mast) tall. [f. *ataunt* adv. naut. fully rigged f. F *autant* as much]

taur'ine, a. Bull-like, bovine, so ~IFORM a.; of the zodiacal sign Taurus. [f. L *taurus* (taurus bull, see -INE²)]

taurōm'achy (-ki), n. Bull-fight(ing). [f. Gk *taurōmakhia* (tauros bull + makhē fight)]

Taur'us, n. A constellation; second sign of zodiac. [L, =bull]

taut, a. (naut.). (Of rope) tight, not slack;

(of vessel etc.) in good order or condition. Hence ~**ER**¹ v.t. & i., ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [ME *toht*, perh. = **TIGHT** w. assim. to p.p. of **TOW**]

taut[o-] in comb. = Gk *tauto*, to *auto*, the same, as: ~**ochrone** (-k-) [f. Gk *khronos* time], curve on which body starting from state of rest under gravity will reach lowest point in same time from whatever point it starts, so ~**och'ronism** (-k-) n., ~**och'ronous** (-k-) a.; ~**oph'ony**, repetition of same sound.

tautol'og|y, n. Saying of the same thing twice over in different words (e.g. *arrived one after the other in succession*). Hence **tautol'og|ic(al)** aa., **tautol'og|icaly**² adv., ~**IST**(1) n., ~**ISM**(2) v.i. [f. LL f. Gk **TAUTO**(*logia*-*LOGY*)]

täv'ern, n. Public house for supply of food & drink. [f. OF *taverne* f. L *taberna* hut, tavern]

taw¹, v.t. Make (hide) into leather without use of tannin, esp. by soaking in solution of alum & salt. Hence ~**ER**¹, ~**ERY**(3), nn. [OE *tawian* prepare, cf. Du. *touwen* curry, MHG *zouwan* make, prepare]

taw², n. Game at marbles; limit line in playing marbles; a marble. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

tawd'r|y, a. & n. 1. Showy but worthless, gaudy, having too much or ill-judged ornament, whence ~**LY**² adv., ~**INESS** n. 2. n. Cheap or excessive or tasteless finery. [f. St *Audry's* fair held in Isle of *Audry* corrupt. of *Etheldrida*, who founded Ely Cathedral]

tawn¹|y, a. Brownish-yellow, tan-coloured. Hence ~**INESS** n. [f. OF *tané* **TAN**¹ed]

|| **tawse**(e) (-z), n. sing. or pl. (Sc.). Slight throng for chastising children. [prob. related to **TAW**¹; a sing. *taw* is much later]

tāx¹, v.t. Impose tax on (subjects, citizens, etc., commodity, land, etc.), so ~**A'TION** n.; (N.T.) register (person) for purpose of imposing tribute; make demands upon, demand exertion from, (person's) resources, powers, ingenuity, etc.; *cannot ~ my memory*, cannot undertake to recollect the facts wanted; (Law) examine & (dis)allow items of (costs etc.); ~**ed** (also ~**ed**) *cart*, two-wheeled cart usu. for agricultural or trade purposes on which only reduced duty (& later none) was charged; charge (person *with* fault, *with* doing); || ~**ing-master**, law-court official who ~s costs. Hence ~**AB|L|TY**, ~**abl|ness**, nn., ~**AB|L** a., ~**ab|ly**² adv. [f. OF *tazer* f. L *taxare* censure, charge, compute, of. **TASK**, **TASTE**¹]

tāx², n. Contribution levied on persons, property, or business, for support of government, as **DIRECT**², **INDIRECT**, **capitation**, **income**, **poll**-, ~; *single*-, proposed sole ~, on value of land irrespective of improvements; strain, heavy demand,

(up)on (person, his energies etc.); || ~**cart**, see prec.; ~**collector**, official who collects ~es; ~**farmer**, one who buys from government the right to collect certain ~es; ~**free**, exempt from ~es; ~**gatherer**, ~**collector**; ~**payer**. Hence ~**LESS** a. [f. prec.]

tāx'i, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Motor-car plying for hire & fitted with taximeter (also ~**cab**), other motor-car of similar pattern; ~**man**, driver of ~; ~**plane**, light aeroplane for public hire (also ~). 2. vb. Go or convey in ~; (Aeron., of aircraft or pilot) go along ground or water under machine's own power before or after flying. [abbr. **TAXIMETER**]

tāx'idér|n|y, n. Art of preparing & mounting skins of animals in lifelike manner. Hence **tāx'idér|n|al**, **tāx'idér|n|ic**, aa., ~**IST**(3) n. [f. **TAXIS** + **DERM**]

tāxim'éter, n. Automatic device fitted to cab & indicating fare due at any moment. [f. F *taximètre* (*taxe* tariff, **TAX**², -**METER**)]

tāx'in, n. Resinous substance from yew leaves. [f. L *taxus* yew + **-IN**]

tāx'is, n. (Surg.) manual pressure applied to restore parts to their place; (Gk *Ant.*) various divisions of troops; (Zool.) classification; (Gram., Rhet.) arrangement. [Gk, f. *tassō* arrange]

tāx|ōn|om'y, n. (nat. hist.). (Principles of) classification. Hence or cogn. ~**ōl'oey**, ~**ōn|om|ist**(3), nn., ~**ōnōm'ic(al)** aa., ~**ōnōm'icaly**² adv. [f. F *taxonomie* (**TAXIS** + Gk *-nomos* f. *nomō* manage)]

taw|s (taht'sa), n. Saucer-shaped cup esp. one mounted on a foot. [It.]

tchick, n., & v.i. (Make) sound produced by pressing tongue against roof of mouth & quickly withdrawing it, esp. as used in urging horse. [imit.]

tea, n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Also ~**plant**) shrub or small tree of camellia family grown in China, India, etc.; leaves of this dried & prepared for use (*black*, *green*, ~, prepared by different processes; *bohea*, *congou*, *souchong*, *pekoe*, etc., ~, kinds of black, *hyson*, *gunpowder*, etc., ~, kinds of green; *tile* ~, in **BRICK** form). 2. Infusion or decoction of ~leaves as beverage; infusion etc. of leaves of other plants or of other substance, as **BEEF**, **CAMOMILE**, etc. 3. Light afternoon meal with ~, esp. *five-o'clock* ~; (also *high* ~, *meat* ~) solid evening meal with ~. 4. ~**CADDY**; || ~**cake**, kinds of cake eaten toasted or otherwise at ~; ~**chest**, light lead-lined wooden box in which ~ is exported; ~**cloth** (for ~table or ~tray, also drying-cloth for cups etc.); ~**cup**, cup in which ~ is drunk (*storm in a ~cup*, commotion in circumscribed circle or about trivial matter), (as measure, also ~*cupful*) gill; ~**flight** (colloq.), ~**party**; ~**garden** (in which ~ is served to the public); ~**gown**, woman's loose gown worn at ~ etc.; ~**house** (in which ~ etc. is served in China

& Japan); ~kettle (used in making ~); ~leaf, leaf of ~ esp. (pl.) after infusion or soaking, used in sweeping floors; ~party (at which ~ is served); ~pot, vessel in which ~ is made; ~rose, kinds with scent compared to that of ~; ~service, ~set, ~pot, cups, etc., used in serving ~; ~spoon; ~table (often attrib., as ~table conversation); ~things, = ~set; ~tray (on which ~set is used or carried); ~urn, for boiling or holding water for ~. 5. vb. Take ~, as we ~ at 4; give ~ to (person). [*vb f. n.*] earlier also *lay, tee*, f. Chin. dial. *t'e, f. Chin. ch'a*]

teach, v.t. & i. (*taught* pr. *tawt*). 1. Enable or cause (person etc. to do) by instruction & training, as ~ him to swim, dog was taught to beg, misfortune has taught him to be thankful for small mercies, this (punishment) will ~ you to speak the truth, (colloq.) I will ~ him (not) to meddle in my affairs. 2. Give lessons at school or elsewhere in or on (subject, game, instrument, etc., to person, or w. double object), as taught him Greek, ~es Greek for a living, ~es the violin, ~ me bridge, was never taught music, music was never taught to a more unwilling pupil, it is time the boy was taught something. 3. Give instruction to, educate; (intr.) be a ~er. 4. Explain, show, state by way of instruction, (fact etc., how, that, etc., to person or w. double obj.), as taught that we must forgive our enemies, I was taught that two sides of a triangle were greater than the third, was taught otherwise, was never taught this, who taught you that? Hence ~ER¹, ~ERSHIP, nn. [OE *tēcan*, cogn. w. *TOKEN*] **teach'able**, a. Apt to learn, docile; (of subject etc.) that can be taught. Hence ~ABIL'ITY, ~ABLENESS, nn. [-ABLE] **teach'ing**, n. In vbl senses, esp. what is taught, doctrines, as the ~s of the Church. [-ING¹]

Teague (-g), n. (derog.). Irishman. [*f. Tadhg*, common Irish name]

teak, n. (E.-Ind. tree with heavy durable timber that does not warp or shrink or corrode iron, much used in shipbuilding. [*f. Port. teca f. Malayalam tēka*])

teal, n. (pl. same). Kinds of small freshwater duck. [ME *tele*, cf. Du. *taling*, *te* etym. dub.]

team, n., & v.t. 1. Two or more beasts of burden harnessed together, whence ~wise adv.; set of players on one side in some games e.g. football; set of persons working together; ~work, combined effort, organized co-operation. 2. v.t. Harness (horses etc.) in ~; give out (work to contractor who employs ~ of workmen, whence ~ING¹ n. [OE *tēam* family, set, cf. Du. *toom*, ON *taumr*, rein, G *zaum* bridle, cogn. w. L *ducere* lead]

team'ster, n. Driver of a team. [-STER] **teap'oy**, n. Small three- or four-legged table esp. for tea. [*f. Hind. fān three +*

Pers. *pāl* foot; sense & spelling influenced by TEA]

tear¹ (tār), v.t. & i. (*tore, torn*), & n. 1. Pull apart, rend, lacerate, as tore up the letter, has torn his coat, ~ it in half, in two, in pieces, torn to pieces by a tiger, (fig.) country was torn by factions, heart torn by conflicting emotions; make (hole, rent) thus; ~ it (sl.), spoil one's chances, foil one's plans, put the lid on (that's torn it); pull violently (lit. & fig.), as tore down the notice, ~ out a page, ~ off the cover, tree torn up by the roots, was torn (forcibly parted) from her parents, babe torn from the breast, could not ~ myself (make up my mind to go) away; pull violently at, as tore at the cover of the parcel; ~ one's hair, pull it in anger or perplexity or despair; lend itself to ~ing, as ~s easily, will not ~. 2. Run or walk hurriedly or impetuously, as tore down the hill, was simply ~ing. 3. ~away a., impetuous. 4. n. Rent in cloth etc. [(n. f. vb) OE *teran*, cf. Goth. *gatairan* break, G *zeren* consume, Gk *derō* fray]

tear² (tēr), n. (Also ~drop) drop of saline liquid ordinarily serving to moisten & wash the eye but falling from it as result of grief or other emotion or of coughing or laughter, as the ~s fell down her cheeks, wept bitter ~s of remorse, laughed till the ~s came, ~s were her only argument, a ~stained face, found her in ~s (weeping); ~like thing, e.g. drop of fluid, solid drop of resin etc.; ~s of strong wine, drops forming on inside of partly-filled glass of port etc.; CROCODILE ~s; ~gas, lachrymatory poison gas used in warfare; ~- (= LACHRYMATORY) shell. [OE *tēar*, cf. ON *tār*, Da. *taar*, cogn. w. L *lacrima*, Gk *dakru*(on)]

tear'ful (tār-), a. Shedding tears, so **tear'less** a.; (of event, news, etc.) mournful, sad. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

tear'ing (tār-), a. In vbl senses (TEAR¹), also, violent, overwhelming (~ pace, rage). [-ING²]

teas'e (-z), v.t., & n. 1. Assail playfully or maliciously, vex, with jests, questions, or petty annoyances, whence ~INGLY² (-z) adv.; importune (person for thing, to do); pick into separate fibres, comb, card, (wool, flax, etc.); dress (cloth etc.) with teasels. 2. n. Person given to ~ing. [OE *tēsan* pluck, pull, cf. Du. *teescen*]

teas'el (-z), -zel, -zie, n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of plant with large prickly heads used in dressing cloth; such head; machine substituted for ~s. 2. v.t. Dress (cloth) with ~s, whence ~ER¹ (-zel-), **teas'ler**, nn. [OE *tēs(e)* (as prec. + -LE)]

teas'er (-z), n. In vbl senses, esp.: teasing person; (colloq.) difficult question or problem or task, thing hard to deal with. [-ER¹]

teat, n. Mammary nipple through which milk passes, pap of woman, dug-out breast.

Hence (-)~ED¹, ~LIKE, aa. [f. OF *tele* prob. f. Teut. (OE *tīt*, MDu. *titte*)]

tēc, n. (sl.). Detective. [abbr.]

tēch'nic (-k-), a. & n. 1. adj. (rare). = foll. 2. n. = TECHNICAL; (usu. pl.) doctrine of arts in general; (pl.) technical terms, details, methods, etc. Hence **techni'cian** (tēkn'i'shən) n., person skilled in the technique of a particular art, or in ~s generally, ~IST n. [f. L f. Gk *tekhnikos* (*tekhnē* art, see -IC)]

tēch'nical (-k-), a. Of or in a particular art, science, handicraft, etc., as ~ *terms*, *skill*, *difficulty*; of, for, in, the mechanical arts, as ~ *education*, *school*; legally such, in the eyes of the law, as ~ *assault*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-AL]

tēchnicāl'it'y (-k-), n. Technicalness, technical expression, distinction, etc., as *legal ~ics*. [-ITY]

Technicolor (tēk'nīkŭlər), n. (cinemat.). Process of colour photography in which the colours are separately but simultaneously recorded & then transferred to a single positive print. [P; f. TECHNICAL + COLOUR]

technic (tēknōk'), n. Mode of artistic execution in music, painting, etc.; mechanical skill in art. [F, as TECHNICAL]

tēchnōc'racy (-k-), n. Organization and management of a country's industrial resources by technical experts for the good of the whole community. Hence **tēch'no-crāt** (-k-) n., advocate of this. [f. Gk *tekhnē* art + -ACRACY]

tēchnō'log'y (-k-), n. Science of the industrial arts; ethnological study of development of arts. Hence **tēchnō-lō'gical** a., ~IST n. [f. Gk *tekhnologia* (*tekhnē* art, -LOGY)]

techy. See TETCHY.

tēctō'log'y, n. Structural morphology, i.e. that which treats an organism as composed of organic individuals. Hence **tēctōlō'gical** a. [Irreg. f. Gk *tektōn* carpenter + -LOGY]

tēctōn'ic, a. & n. 1. Of building or construction; (Geol.) due to a change in structural conditions caused by deformation. 2. n. pl. -Whole art of producing useful & beautiful buildings, furniture, vessels, etc. [f. LL f. Gk *tektōnikos* (*tektōn* -ones carpenter, see -IC)]

tēctōr'ial, a. Forming a covering, esp. ~ *membrane* (of ear). [f. L *tectorius* (as foll., see -ORY) + -AL]

tēctri'cēs (-z), n. pl. (ornith.). Covering feathers of wings & tail. [f. L *tegere* tect-cover, -TRIX]

tēd, v.t. (-dd-). Turn over & spread out (grass, hay) to dry. Hence ~d'ER¹ (1, 2) n. [f. Icel. *teðja* spread manure (*teðh*)]

Tēdd'y bear (bār), n. Child's toy bear (named after *Theodore Roosevelt*).

Tēds'um, n. (Music for) hymn beginning ~ *Audamus*, 'We praise thee, O God', sung at morning service, or on special

occasions as thanksgiving; *sing* ~, (fig.) exult, triumph. [L]

tēd'ious, a. Wearisome, irksome, tiresome. Hence ~IX² adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *taediosus* (as foll., see -OUS)]

tēd'ium, n. Tediousness. [f. L *taedium* (*taedet* it wearies)]

tee, n. Letter T; T-shaped thing esp. pipe.

tee¹, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Mark aimed at in quoits, bowls, curling. 2. (golf). Cleared space from which the ball is struck at beginning of play for each hole (also ~ing-ground); small pile of sand or small appliance of wood, rubber, etc. on which ball is placed before being struck. 3. v.t. Place (ball) on ~; (v.i.) ~ off, start from ~, (fig.) start, begin. [?]

tee², n. Umbrella-shaped usu. gilded ornament crowning tope or pagoda. [f. Burm. *h'ti* umbrella]

teem¹, v.t. & i. || (Arch.) bear (offspring); be prolific, be stocked to overflowing with, as *forests* ~ with *snakes*, *book* ~s with *blunders*; be abundant, as *fish* ~ in *these waters*. [OE *tīman* (TEAM)]

teem², v.t. (dial., tech.). Empty, discharge, pour out, (vessel, cart, coal, molten metal, etc.). Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. ON *teima* (tómra adj. empty)]

|| **teen**, n. (arch.). Grief; trouble; harm. [OE *téona* injury, cf. ON *tjón*]

-**teen**, suf. of numbers from 13 to 19 implying addition of ten (stress is variable like that of -ED³ compounds). [OE *tēne*, *týne*, pl. of TEN]

teens (-z), n. pl. (Also **teen* age, years) years of one's age from 13 to 19, esp. in one's ~; **teen*-age a., in the ~. [f. prec.]

teeny. See TINY.

teeth. See TOOTH.

teethe (-dh), v.i. Grow or cut teeth. Hence

teeth'ing¹ (-dh-) n. [f. prec.]

teetōt'al, a. Of, advocating, total abstinence from intoxicants, as ~ *meeting*, *pledge*, whence ~ISM n.; (colloq.) total, entire, whence ~LY² adv. [redupl. of *total*; from about 1833]

teetōt'aller, n. Total abstainer. [-ER¹]

teetōt'um, n. Children's four-sided top with sides lettered to determine gain or loss of the spinner; any top spun with the fingers (like a ~, spinning). [f. T (the letter on one side) + L *totum* the whole (stakes), for which it stood]

tēg, n. Sheep in its second year. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

tēg'ūlar, a. Of or like tiles. Hence or cogn. ~ARLY² adv., ~ATED [-ATE¹] a. [f. L *tegula* tile (*tegere* cover) + -AR¹]

tēg'ūment, n. Natural covering of (part of) animal body. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., (-ēn¹). [f. L *tegumentum* (*tegere* cover, see -MENT)]

tēhee¹, n., & v.i. 1. Restrained or contemptuous laugh. 2. v.i. Laugh thus, titter. [imit.]

Tē'ian, Tē'an, a. Of (the poet Anacreon born at) Teos. [f. *L. Teius* (f. *Gk. Teōs*) + *-AN*]

|| teind (tēnd), n. (Sc.). Tithe. [ME *tēnde*, = *TENTH*]

tēknōn'ym|y, n. (anthrop.). Practice of naming parent from child. So *~ous* a. [f. *Gk. teknon* child + *-onymos* -named + *-Y*]

tēlaesth|ēs'ia, n. (psych.). Direct perception of distant occurrences or objects not effected by the recognized senses. Hence *~ēt'ic* a. [mod. *L.* f. *TELE-*, *Gk. aisthēsis* perception, & *-ia*']

tēl'amon, n. (archit.; pl. ~es pr. -ōn'ēz). Male figure as bearing pillar (cf. *CARYATID*). [L. f. *Gk. Telamōn* mythol. person]

tēlauf'o|graph (-ahf), n. Telegraph that reproduces writing etc. So *~GRAM* (5) n. [f. *TELE-* + *AUTO-* + *-GRAPH*]

tēle- in comb. = *Gk. tēle-* far, esp. in names of instruments producing or recording results etc. at a distance, as: *~barōm'eter*; *tēlēm'eter*, instrument for determining distances in surveying, artillery practice, etc., whence *~mēl'ric* a., *tēlēm'ery* n.; *~thermōm'eter*.

tēle-arch'ics (-k-), n. pl. Art of wireless control (of aircraft) from a distance. [*TELE-*, *Gk. arkhikos* governing (*arkhō* rule)]

tēlecommunicā'tion, n. Communication at a distance, as by cable, telegraph, telephone, or radio. [*TELE-*]

tēl'edu (-ōō), n. Stinking badger of Java and Sumatra. [native]

tēlēg'on'y, n. (biol.). Influence of previous sire seen in subsequent sire's progeny by same mother. Hence *tēlēgōn'ic* a. [f. *TELE-* + *Gk. gonia* begetting]

tēl'ēgrām, n. Telegraphic message. [*-GRAM*]

tēl'ēgraph¹ (-ahf), v. t. & i. 1. Apparatus for transmitting messages or signals to a distance esp. by electrical impulses. 2. Semaphore. 3. (In titles of newspapers) *Daily T~* etc. 4. *~ (-board)*, board on which numbers of horses running in race, cricket scores, etc., are put up so as to be visible at distance; *~key*, device for making and breaking electric circuit of *~*; *~line*, *~pole* or *~post*, *~wire* (used in forming telegraphic connexion); *~plant*, E.-Ind. plant whose leaves have spontaneous jerking motion. [f. *F. télégraphe* (*TELE-*, *-GRAPH*)]

tēl'ēgraph² (-ahf), v. t. & i. Send (message to person, or abs.) by telegraph, as *~ the news to your father*, *~ me the result*, *~ to him to come*, *that we cannot come*; make signals (to person to do, that, etc.). [as prec.]

tēlēg'raph|er (or tēl'f-), n. Person skilled or employed in telegraphy. So *~IST* n. [*-ER*']

tēlēgraphēsē' (-z), n. & a. (In) the elliptical style usual in telegrams. [*-ESE*]

tēlēgrāph'|ic, a. Of telegraphs or telegrams; of *~ic* brevity, economically worded, with unessential words omitted; *~ic address*, abbreviated or other registered address for use in telegrams. Hence *~ICALLY* adv. [*-IO*]

tēlēg'raphy, n. Art of constructing, practice of communicating by, telegraph; *wireless~*, transmission of signals through space by means of electromagnetic waves. [*-Y*']

tēlēkinēs'is, n. (psych.). Movement at a distance from the motive cause or agent without material connexion. [mod. *L.* f. *TELE-* + *Gk. kinēsis* motion (*kineō* move)]

tēl'ēmark, n. Expert swing turn in skiing used to change direction or to stop short. [f. *T~*, district in Norway]

tēlēmēchān'ics (-k-), n. pl. Art of transmitting power by radio, & so controlling machinery from a distance. [*TELE-*]

tēlēōl'og|y, n. Doctrine of final causes, view that developments are due to the purpose or design that is served by them. So *tēlēōlō'gic(al)* aa., *tēlēōlō'gically* adv., *~ISM*, *~IST*, nn. [f. *Gk. telos* -eos end + *-LOGY*]

tēlēosaur'us (-sōr-), n. Genus of fossil crocodiles. [f. *Gk. telos* complete + *sauros* lizard]

tēlēp'ath|y, n. Action of one mind on another at a distance through emotional influence without communication through senses. Hence *tēlēpāth'ic* aa., *tēlēpāth'ically* adv., *~IST* (2) n., *~IZE* (1, 2) v. t. & i. [*TELE-* + *-PATHY*]

tēl'ēphōne, n., & v. t. & i. 1. Apparatus for transmitting sound esp. speech to a distance by wire or cord, esp. by means of electricity; *the~*, system of communication by a network of *~s* (on the *~*, having an instrument connected with this, also, by use of or while using the *~*). 2. v. b. Send (message etc.), speak (to person) by *~*. Hence *tēlēphōn'ic* a., *tēlēphōn'ically* adv., *tēlēphōnist* (3), *tēlēphōny* n. [(v. b. f. n.) f. *TELE-* + *Gk. phōnē* sound]

tēlēphotōg'raphy, n. Photographing of distant objects by means of a combination of telescope & ordinary photographic lens. So *~photōgrāph'ic* a. [*TELE-*]

tēl'ēprinter, n. Telegraph instrument for transmitting messages by typing over the telephone exchange system. [*TELE-*]

tēl'ergy, n. (psych.). Force conceived as operating on the brain in telepathy. [*TELE-* + (*em*) *ergy*]

tēl'ēscope, n., & v. t. & i. 1. Instrument for making distant objects appear nearer & larger, whence *tēlēs'copist* (3), *tēlēs'copy* n. 2. v. b. Press, drive, (sections of tube, colliding trains, etc.) together so that one slides into another like sections of small *~*; close, be driven, be capable of closing, thus. [(v. b. f. n.) f. *It. telescopio* (*TELE-*, *-SCOPE*)]

tēlēscōp'ic, *a.* Of, made with, a telescope, as *~ic observations*; visible only through telescope, as *~ic stars*; consisting of sections that telescope, as *~ic funnel* (of steamer), so *~IFORM a.* Hence *~ICALLY* *adv.* [10]

tēl'ēsēme, *n.* System of electrical signalling including annunciator, used in hotels etc. [*f. TELE-* + *Gk sēma* sign]

tēl'ēvision (-zhn), *n.* A system employing mechanical, photo-electrical, & wireless processes for reproducing scenes, objects, performers, etc., visually at a distance; vision of distant objects obtained thus. Hence **tēl'ēviewer** (-vūer) *n.*, one who uses a ~ receiver, **tēl'ēvise** (-z) *v.t. & i.*, transmit by ~, **tēl'ēvision** (-z) *n.*, apparatus. [*TELE-*]

tēll, *v.t. & i. (tōld)*. 1. Relate in spoken or written words, as *~ me a tale, a story*. 2. Make known, divulge, state, express in words, as *~ me what you want, ~ me all about it, will ~ you a secret, ~ it not in Gath* (let this news not reach & gladden the enemy, usu. *joc. w. ref. to 2 Sam. i. 20*), *~ that to the (HOREB-~)marines, told him my candid opinion, ~ me your name, ~ TALES (out of school), cannot ~ you how glad I was, ~ FORTUNES*. 3. Utter, as *you told me a lie, a story*, *are you ~ing the truth?* 4. Give information or description, as *told me of or about his difficulties, he told of foreign lands, that ~s a tale* (is significant, reveals something); (childish) *don't ~ on* (inform against) me. 5. Decide, determine, as *how do you ~ which button to press?*, *you never can ~* (appearances & probabilities are deceptive). 6. Distinguish, as *cannot ~ them apart, him from his brother*. 7. Assure, as *I can ~ you, it is not so easy*. 8. Produce marked effect, as *every blow ~s, strain begins to ~ on him, whence ~ING² a.*, *~ingly² adv.* 9. Count (votes esp. in House of Commons, one's *BEAD's*; *we were 18 men all told; ~ a hundred; ~s over his money every night*). 10. Direct (person) to do something (*~ him to wait for me*). 11. *~ person *good-bye*, say *good-bye to*; *~ off*, count off, detach, for duty, as *6 of us were, I was, told off to get fuel, || (sl.) ~* (person) home truths, recite misdoings of; *~ the tale (sl.)*, pitch a pitiful yarn to evoke sympathy; *~ the world, announce openly, assert emphatically; *you're ~ing me! (sl.)*, I am fully aware of that. Hence *~ABLE a.* [*OE tellan* (TALK), cf. Du. *tellen, G zählen*]

tēll'er, *n.* In vbl senses, esp.: any of four persons appointed (two for each side) to count votes in House of Commons; person appointed to receive or pay out money in bank etc. Hence *~SHIP n.* [*-ER¹*]

tēll'tāle, *n.* One who tells about another's private affairs, tattler; (fig.) thing, circumstance, that reveals person's

thoughts, conduct, etc., esp. attrib., as *~ blushes, face, the ~ clay on his shoes*; kinds of mechanical device for recording person's attendance at specified time etc., giving warning that cistern is full, etc.; (Naut.) index near wheel to show position of tiller, (also *~ compass*) compass hung usu. in captain's cabin for checking ship's course.

tēllūr'ian, *a.* (Inhabitant) of the earth. So *~AL a.* [as foll. + *-IAN*]

tēllūr'ion, *n.* Instrument for illustrating succession of day & night & changes of seasons. [*f. L tellus -uris* earth]

tēllūr'ium, *n.* (chem.). A rare brittle silver-white metallic element. Hence *~URATE* '3), *~URET*, *~URIDE*, *nn.*, *~URÉTTER*, *~UR'IC*, *~UR'OUS*, *aa.* [as prec. + *-IUM*]

tēlotype, *n.* Printing electric telegraph; telegram so printed. [*TELE-*, *-O-*, *TYPE*]

tēl'pher, *a.* Serving to transport (esp. goods) by electric locomotion, as *~ line*. Hence *~AGE* (1, 2) *n.* [for *TELE-PHORE*]

tēl'son, *n.* Last joint in abdomen of Crustacea. [*Gk. = limit*]

tēm'enōs, *n.* (Gk Ant.; pl. *-nē*). Sacred enclosure, temple precinct. [*Gk (temnō out)*]

tēmerār'ious, *a.* (literary). Reckless, rash. [*f. L temerarius* (temere rashly) + *-OUS*]

tēmē'rity, *n.* Rashness. [*f. L temeritas* (temere at random, rashly, ace *-RY*)]

tēmp., *abbr.* (now usu. as playful pedantry) of *L tempore* in the time of, as *~ Henry I.*

Tēmpē'an (or *tē'*), *a.* Of or like Tempe, beautiful vale in Thessaly celebrated by Gk & L poets. [*-AN*]

tēm'per¹, *v.t. & i. 1.* Prepare (clay etc.) by moistening, mixing, & kneading. 2. Bring (metal, esp. steel), (of metal) come, to proper hardness & elasticity by successive heating & cooling. 3. Modify, mitigate, (justice etc.) by blending with (mercy etc.); moderate, restrain, tone down. 4. (mus.). Tune, modulate, (piano, organ) in particular *TEMPERAMENT*. Hence *~ABLE*, *~ATIVE*, *aa.*, *~ER*¹ *n.* [*OE temprian f. L temperare* (perh. *f. tempus -oris* time, day-season)]

tēm'per², *n.* 1. Mixture, esp. suitable combination of ingredients (of mortar etc.); resulting condition or consistence. 2. Condition of metal as to hardness & elasticity. 3. Habitual or temporary disposition of mind, as *was of a saturnine, frigid, fiery, placid, ~, persons of congenial ~, found him in a good ~* (not irritable or angry), *in a bad ~* (pcevlsh, angry); irritation, anger, as *fit of ~, what a ~ he is in!*, *naughty ~!*; *show ~*, be petulant; *lose one's ~*, become angry; *keep, control, one's ~*, not lose it; *out of ~*, angry. Hence (*~ED*² (-erd) *a.*, (*~EDLY*² *adv.* [*f. prec.*])

tēm'pera, *n.* = *DISTEMPER*². [*It.*]

tēm'perament, n. 1. Individual character of one's physical organization permanently affecting the manner of acting, feeling, & thinking, as a *nervous* ~, the *artistic* ~; *sanguine*, *lymphatic* or *phlegmatic*, *choleric* or *bilious*, *melancholic* or *atrabilious*, ~ (formerly attributed to predominance of blood, lymph, yellow bile, black bile). 2. (mus.). Adjustment of tuning of piano etc. so as to fit the scale for all keys, esp. *equal* ~, in which the 12 semitones are at equal intervals. Hence ~AL (-ēn²) a. (in n. senses, & esp., of persons, liable to peculiar moods). [f. L *temperamentum* (as TEMPER¹, see -MENT)]

tēm'perance, n. Moderation, self-restraint, in speech, conduct, etc., esp. in eating & drinking; moderation in use of, total abstinence from, alcoholic liquors as beverages; ~ *hotel* (not supplying alcoholic drinks); ~ *movement*, *society*, *league* (for restriction or abolition of use of alcoholic drinks). [AF (-aunce), f. L *temperantia* (as TEMPER¹, see -ANCE)]

tēm'perate, a. Moderate; self-restrained; abstemious; of mild temperature, as *north*, *south*, ~ *zone* (between tropic of Cancer & arctic circle, Capricorn & antarctic). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L TEMPER¹atus]

tēm'perature, n. Degree or intensity of sensible heat of a body or of the atmosphere esp. as shown by thermometer, as *high*, *low*, ~; (Med.) internal heat of the body (*normal* ~ in man, 98.4°; *take one's* ~, ascertain his variation from this in illness etc.); *absolute ZERO* of ~; ~ *curve* (showing variations of ~). [f. L *temperatura* (as TEMPER¹, see -URE)]

tēm'pest, n. Violent storm of wind often with rain, snow, etc.; (fig.) violent tumult or agitation. [f. OF *tempeste* f. L *tempestatem* time, weather, storm (*tempus* time, see -TY)]

tēm'pēs'tuous, a. (Of weather, time, etc., and fig. of person or mood) stormy, violent. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. LL *tempestuosus* (prec., -OUS; for -u- cf. VOLUPTUOUS)]

tēm'plar, n. 1. (T~) member of religious military order (*Knights T~s*) for protection of pilgrims to Holy Land, suppressed in 1312. 2. Lawyer, law student, with chambers in the Temple. 3. *Good T~s*, temperance society. [f. OF *templier* = med. L *templarius* (TEMPLE¹, -ARY¹)]

temple. See TEMPLET.

tēm'ple¹, n. 1. Edifice dedicated to service of (esp. ancient Greek, Roman, Egyptian) god. 2. Any of three successive religious edifices of the Jews in Jerusalem. 3. Place of Christian public worship, esp. Protestant church in France; (fig.) place in which God resides (1 Cor. vi. 19). 4. *Inner*, *Middle*, T~, two INNS of Court on site of the T~ (establishment of Knights Templars) in London; T~ *Bar*,

gateway (removed 1879) that marked the westward limit of the City Corporation's jurisdiction, at junction of Fleet Street & Strand in London. [f. L *templum* cogn. w. GK TEMENOS]

tēm'ple², n. Flat part of either side of head between forehead & ear. [OF, f. L *tempora* the ~s (sing. *tempus*)]

tēm'ple³, n. Device in loom for keeping cloth stretched. [F, = foll.]

tēm'plēt, -āte, n. Pattern, gauge, usu. thin board or metal plate, used as guide in cutting or drilling metal, stone, wood, etc.; timber or plate used to distribute weight in wall or under beam etc.; wedge for building-block under ship's keel; = proc. [perh. f. L *templum* rafters + -ET¹]

tēm'pō, n. (mus. pl. -pi pr. -pē). Time, rapidity of movement; (fig.) rate of motion or activity (*the ~ of the war is quickening*); characteristic style of movement, as ~ *di minueto*. [It.]

tēm'poral, a. & n. 1. Of this life, secular, esp. opp. to spiritual, as ~ *affairs*, *interests*, whence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.; || ~ *lords*, peers of realm, cf. SPIRITUAL; ~ *power*, of ecclesiastic esp. Pope in ~ matters. 2. Of or in or denoting time (~ & spatial, of time & space; ~ *conjunctions*, when etc.); (Gk Gram.) ~ *augment* (made by lengthening initial vowel). 3. Of the temple(s) of the head, as ~ *artery*, *bone*. 4. n. ~ bone. [F, f. L *temporalis* (*tempus* -oris, see TEMPER¹, TEMPLE² + -AL)]

tēm'poral'ity, n. A secular possession, esp. properties & revenues of religious corporation or ecclesiastic (usu. pl.); (Law) temporariness. [f. LL *temporalitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

tēm'poral'ty, n. The laity; = prec. (1st sense). [f. OF *temporalité* as prec.]

tēm'porar'ly, a. Lasting, meant, only for a time, as ~ *buildings*, *relief*, *possession*, *office*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [f. L *temporarius* (*tempus* -oris time, see -ARY¹)]

tēm'poriz'e, v.i. Pursue indecisive or time-serving policy; avoid committing oneself, act so as to gain time; comply temporarily with requirements of occasion. Hence ~ATION, ~ER¹, n., ~INGLY² adv. [f. F *temporiser* f. L *tempus* -oris time + -IZE]

tēm'poro- in comb. = L *tempora* temples of head, as ~ *facial*, of temporal & facial regions.

tēmpt, v.t. (Aroh., Bibl.) test, try the resolution of, as *God did ~ Abraham*; entice, incite, (to do, to action esp. evil one); *I am ~ed* (strongly disposed) *to question this*; allure, attract, whence ~INGLY² adv.; (aroh., Bibl.) provoke, defy, as *shall not ~ the Lord*. Hence or cogn. ~ABILITY n., ~ABLE a. [f. OF *tempter*, *tempt*, f. L *temtare*, *tempt*-, handle, test, try]

tēmpt'ation, n. Tempting or being tempted (*the T~*, see *Matt. iv*); thing that

attracts; attractive course. [f. OF *temptacioun* f. L *temptationem* (prec., -ATION)]
tempt'jer, n. One who tempts; the T-er, the devil. So ~ress¹ n. [ME *temptour* f. L *temptatorem* (as prec., see -OR²)]

tén, a. & n. One more than nine, 10, X; (as round number) ~ times as easy, ~ to one he forgets it; HART of ~; UPPER ~; ~PENNY nail; ~poun'der (hist.), person having vote in parliamentary election by occupation of property of rental value of £10. Hence ~FOLD a. & adv., ~TH¹ a. & n., ~th'LY¹ adv. [OE *ten* cf. Du. *tien*, G *zehn*, & L *decem*, Gk *deka*]

tén'able, a. That can be maintained or defended against attack, as a ~ position, fortress, theory; (of office etc.) that can be held for specified time, by person, etc. Hence *ténabil'ITY*, ~NESS, nn. [F *tenir* hold f. L *tenere*, see -ABLE]

tén'ace (-is), n. (cards). (Holding of) two cards, one next above, the other next below, the opponents' highest of the suit (major, minor. ~, variations of this variously defined). [f. Sp. *tenaza* lit. pincers]

téná'cious (-shus), a. Holding fast; keeping firm hold (of property, rights, principles, etc.); (of memory) retentive; adhesive, sticky; strongly cohesive. Hence or cogn. ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS, *téná'city*, nn. [f. L *tenax* (*tenere* hold, see -ACIOUS)]

ténác'ulum, n. (pl. -la). Surgeon's sharp hook for picking up arteries etc. [L, = holding instrument (*tenere* hold)]

ténail', -aille' (-ál), n. (fortif.). Outwork in main ditch in front of curtain between two bastions. [F (-le), f. prec.]

tén'ant, n., & v.t. 1. One who occupies land or tenement under a landlord; (Law) person holding real property by private ownership, also defendant in real action; occupant (of any place); ~ farmer (cultivating farm he does not own); || ~ right, right of ~ to continue tenancy, as long as he pays rent & acts properly, without injurious increase of rent, & to receive compensation from landlord if turned off. 2. v.t. Occupy as ~ (esp. in p.p.). Hence or cogn. *tén'ancy* n., ~LESS a. [F, f. L *tenere* hold, see -ANT]

tén'antable, a. Fit to be occupied by a tenant. [-ABLE]

tén'antrý, n. Tenants. [-RY]

ténch, n. A European freshwater fish of carp family. [f. OF *tenche* f. LL *tinca*]

ténd', v.i. Be moving, be directed, hold a course, lit. & fig., as ~s in our direction, downwards, this way, towards the coast, to the same conclusion; be apt or inclined, serve, conduce, (to action, quality, etc., to do). [f. OF *tendre* stretch f. L *tendere* tens- or tend-]

ténd', v.t. & i. Take care of, look after, (flocks, invalid, machine); wait upon; (Naut.) watch (ship at anchor) so as to keep turns out of her cable. So *tém'd-ance* n. (arch.). [shortened f. ATTEND]

tén'dency, n. Bent, leaning, inclination, (towards, to, thing, to do). [f. med. L *tendētia* (as TEND¹, see -ANCE)]

téndén'tious (-shus), a. (Of writing etc.) having an underlying purpose, calculated to advance a cause. [f. G *tendenzios* (TENDENCY, -OUS)]

tén'der', n. In vbl senses of TEND²; also: vessel attending larger one to supply her with stores, convey orders, etc.; carriage attached to locomotive & carrying fuel, water, etc.; small water reservoir fixed to mop etc. [-ER¹]

tén'der', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Offer, present, give in, (one's services, resignation, etc.); offer (money etc.) as payment; make a ~ (for supply of thing or execution of work). 2. n. Offer, esp. offer in writing to execute work or supply goods at fixed price, as are open to receive ~s for; plea of ~ (that defendant has always been ready to satisfy plaintiff's claim & now brings the sum into court); legal ~, currency that cannot be refused in payment of debt, as silver is not legal ~ above 40s. [(n. f. vb) as TEND¹]

tén'der', a. (~est). 1. Soft, not tough or hard, as ~ steak; easily touched or wounded, susceptible to pain or grief, as a ~ heart, conscience, place (in body); delicate, fragile, (lit., & fig. of reputation etc.); of ~ age, immature, young; loving, affectionate, fond, as ~ parents, wrole ~ verses; solicitous, considerate, (of one's honour, good name, etc.); afraid of (doing wrong thing); requiring careful handling, ticklish, as a ~ subject. 2. ~eyed, having gentle eyes, weak-eyed; ~foot (colon. & U.S. sl.), new-comer in bush etc.; novice; ~hearted, having ~ heart, so ~heart'edly adv., ~heart'edness n.; *~loin, undercut of loin, (T~loin) amusements district of New York & other cities. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *tendre* f. L *tener*]

tén'don, n. Strong band or cord of tissue forming termination or connexion of fleshy part of muscle; ~ of Achilles (akil'ez; L *tendo Achilles*), ~ connecting heel (where alone Achilles was vulnerable) with calf. So *tén'dinous* a. [f. mod. L *tendo* -itis f. Gk *tenōn* w. assim. to *tendere* stretch]

tén'dril, n. Slender leafless plant-organ attaching itself to another body for support. Hence ~LED² (-ld) a. [cf. *Flendrilla* dim. of *tendron* bud (as TENDER²)]

tén'ébrae, n. pl. (R.-C. Ch.). Matsins & lauds for last three days of Holy Week, at which candles are successively extinguished. [L, = darkness]

ténébrif'ic, a. Making darkness, as ~ stars (believed to cause night). [f. prec., see -IC]

tén'ébrous, a. (arch.). Dark, gloomy. [f. OF *tenebrus* f. L *tenebrosus* (TENEBRAE, -OUS)]

tén'ément, n. Piece of land held by an owner; (Law) any kind of permanent

property, e.g. lands, rents, peerage, held of a superior, so ~ARY¹ (-mēt) a.; dwelling-house; set of apartments used by one family (~house, containing ~s). Hence ~AL (-mēt) a. [OF, f. med. L *tenementum* (*tenēre* hold, see -MENT)]

tēnēs'mus (-z), n. (path.). Continual inclination to void the bowels or bladder accompanied by painful straining. [med. L, f. Gk *tēnesmos* straining (*teinō* stretch)]

tēn'ēt, n. Principle, dogma, doctrine, of a person or school. [L, = he holds; formerly also *tenent*, = they hold]

tēnn'er, n. (colloq.). || Ten-pound, *ten-dollar note. [-ER¹]

tēnn'is, n. Game for 2, 3, or 4 persons played by striking ball with rackets over net stretched across walled court; = LAWN ~; ~ arm, elbow, affection of arm caused by ~; ~ball, ~court (for ~). [15th c. *tenetz*, prob. of F orig., perh. = *tence* hold, take this, play (as foll.)]

tēn'on, n., & v.t. 1. End of piece of wood fitted for insertion into corresponding cavity (esp. MORTISE) in another piece; ~saw (small, with strong brass or steel back, for fine work). 2. v.t. Cut into a ~, join by means of ~, whence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [F, f. *tenir* hold f. L *tenēre*]

tēn'or, n. 1. Settled or prevailing course or direction, esp. fig. of one's life, way, etc.; general purport, drift, (of speech, writing, etc.): (Law) true intent, (also) exact copy. 2. (mus.). (Music for, singer with) highest ordinary adult male voice, between baritone & alto (often attrib., as ~ voice); instrument, esp. viola, of which range is roughly that of ~ voice; ~ bell (largest of peal or set). So ~IST(3) n. (mus.). [f. OF *tenour* f. L *tenorem* holding on, (med. L) chief melody (formerly assigned to adult male voice), f. *tenēre* hold, see -OR¹]

tēnōt'orn'y, n. Tendon-cutting, esp. as remedy for club-foot. [Irreg. f. Gk *tendon*, -ontos tendon (*teinō* stretch) + -OMY]

tēn'rēc, **tān'**, n. Hedgehog-like tallest insectivorous mammal of Madagascar. [F (*tan-*), f. Malayagay *ṭṛāndraka*]

tēnse', n. (gram.). Form taken by verb to indicate the time (also continuance or completeness) of the action etc., as *present*, *future*, *past*, (im)perfect, pluperfect, aorist, ~, primary, historic, ~s: set of such forms for the various persons; SEQUENCE of ~s. Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *tens* f. L *tempus* time]

tēnse', a., & v.t. & i. 1. (Of cord, membrane, nerve, fig. of mind, emotion) stretched tight, strained to stiffness. 2. vb. Make or become ~. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS, **tēn'sity**, nn. [f. L as TEND¹]

tēn'sile, a. Of tension, as ~ force; capable of being drawn out or stretched, whence or cogn. **tēnsim'ility**, **tēnsil'ity**, nn., **tēn'sile** a. (as prec., see -IL)

tēn'sion (-shn), n., & v.t. 1. Stretching, being stretched; tenseness; mental strain or excitement; strained (political, social, etc.) state; (Mech.) stress by which bar, cord, etc. is pulled when it is part of a system in equilibrium or motion; expansive force of gas or vapour; electromotive force. 2. v.t. Subject to ~. Hence ~AL a. [f. L *tensio* (as TEND¹, see -ION)]

tēn'son, -zon, n. Contest in verse between troubadours; subdivision of poem composed for this. [F (-son), = It. *tenzone*, as prec.]

tēn'sor, n. (anat.). Muscle that tightens or stretches a part. [as TEND¹, see -OR²]

tēnt', n., & v.i. & t. 1. Portable shelter of canvas, cloth, etc., supported by pole(s) & stretched by cords secured to ~pegs driven into ground; bell ~, circular ~ with one pole in middle; (Photog., also dark ~) portable dark room for outdoor use. 2. ~bed (with a ~like canopy); ~fly, piece of canvas stretched over ridge pole of ~ leaving open space but keeping off sun & rain; ~pegging, cavalry exercise in which rider tries at full gallop to carry off on point of lance ~peg fixed in ground; ~stitch, series of parallel diagonal stitches suggesting ~. 3. vb. Cover (as) with ~; encamp in ~. [ME & OF *tente* f. L *tenta* neut. pl. p.p. as TEND¹]

tēnt', n., & v.t. 1. Piece, bunch, roll, of linen etc. inserted into wound or natural opening to keep it open. 2. v.t. Keep open thus. [f. F *tente(r)* as TEMPT; earlier *sonse probe*]

tēnt', n. Deep red wine chiefly from Spain, used esp. as sacramental wine. [f. Sp. *tinto* deep-coloured f. L as TINGE]

tēn'tacle, n. Feeler, long slender flexible process or appendage of animal, used for exploration, prehension, or locomotion; (Bot.) sensitive hair or filament. Hence ~ED¹ (-ld), **tēntāc'ular**, **tēntāc'ulate**, ~ated, **tēntāc'uliform**, **tēntāc'uliferous**, aa. [f. L as TEMPT + -culum seen in *spectaculum* etc.]

tēn'tative, a. & n. 1. Done by way of trial, experimental. 2. n. Experimental proposal or theory. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *tentativus* (as TEMPT, see -IVE)]

tēn'ter', n. Person in charge of something, || esp. of machinery in factory. [f. obs. & Sc. *ten* var. of TRND¹ + -ER¹]

tēn'ter', n. Machine for stretching cloth to set or dry; ~(hook), each of the hooks that hold the cloth; be on ~hooks or (arch.) on the ~s (in state of suspense or mental torment). [earlier also *tenure*, prob. f. L *tenura* (TEND¹, -URE); cf. BORDER]

tēn'ūis, n. (pl. -es pr. -ēs). Hard or surd mute (k, p, t), cf. MEDIA. [L, = thin]

tēnū'ity, n. Slenderness; (of air, fluid) rarity, thinness; (of style) simplicity, absence of grandeur. [f. L *tenuitatem* (as prec., see -ITY)]

tén'uous, a. (rare). Thin, slender, small; (of distinctions etc.) subtle, over-refined. [f. L. TENUIS + -OUS]

tén'ure (-yer), n. Kind of right or title by which (esp. real) property is held, as ALLodial, FEUDAL, ~, *military* ~ (involving military service); (period of) holding, possession, enjoyment, as *during his ~ of office, holds life on a precarious ~*; (Hist.) ~-horn, -sword (produced on certain occasions as evidence of ~ of estates). [OF (*tenir* hold f. L. *tenēre*, see -URE)]

tenu'it (-ō-), a. (mus.). Sustained, given its full time value (cf. STACCATO). [It., = held]

tēocdl'i, n. Temple of Mex. & other Amer. aborigines, usu. on truncated pyramid. [Mex. (*teotl* god + *calli* house); also *teopan*]

tēp'ee, **teep'ee**, n. Conical tent or lodge of the American Indians, formerly made of skins, now of cloth or canvas. [native name]

tēp'ēfy, v.t. & i. Make, become, tepid. Hence ~FACT'ION n. [f. L. *tepefacere* (as *TEPID*, see -FY)]

tēph'igrām, n. (meteorol.). Diagram showing state of atmosphere at different levels in terms of temperature & entropy. [f. symbol *t* for temperature + symbol *phi* for entropy + -GRAM]

tēph'rite, n. Kinds of modern volcanic rock. [f. Gk *tephra* ashes, -RITE¹]

tēp'id, a. Slightly warm, lukewarm (lit. & fig.). Hence or cogn. **tēpid'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L. *tepidus* (*tepēre* be lukewarm, see -ID¹)]

tēpidār'ium, n. (Rom. Ant.; pl. -aria). Intermediate room of moderate temperature in Roman baths; boiler for heating hot bath. [L (as prec., see -ARIUM)]

tēr, adv. Three times (esp. mus.). [L] -ter. See -THREE.

terai' (-ri), n. Wide-brimmed felt hat, often with double crown, worn by white men in sub-tropical regions. [f. T~, belt of marshy jungle between Himalayan foot-hills and plains]

tē'raph, n. (bibl.; only in pl. ~im, used as sing. or collective sing.). Small image(s) as domestic oracle of ancient Hebrews. [Heb.]

tērat'io - in comb. = Gk *teras* -atous monster, as: ~ogēn'ic a., ~ō'gēny n., (of) production of monstrosities; ~ō'ogy, dealing in the marvellous, (Biol.) study of animal or vegetable monstrosities, so ~ōld'gical a., ~ō'ogist n.

terce. See TIERCE.

tēr'cel, **tier'cel**, n. Male falcon. [OF, f. pop. L. *tertiolus* dim. of *tertius* third (hawk's third egg being held to produce small male)]

tērcēn'tānary (or -entēn'), -tēnn'ial, aa. & nn. Of 900 years; (n.) 800th anniversary. [Ital.]

tēr'cet, n. (Mus.; Pros., also *hiercet*) =

TRIPLET. [f. It. *tersetto* (*terzo* third f. L. *tertius*)]

tē'rebēne, n. A hydrocarbon prepared by treating oil of turpentine with sulphuric acid, used as disinfectant etc. [f. foll. + -ENE]

tē'rebinth, n. Turpentine-tree, yielding Chian turpentine; oil of ~, oil of turpentine. [f. OF *therebinthe* f. L. f. Gk *terebinthos*]

tē'rebin'thine, a. Of the terebinth; of turpentine, so **terēb'ic** a. [f. L. f. Gk *terebinthinos* (as prec., see -INE²)]

tē'rebr'is, n. (pl. ~ae). Boring ovipositor of some insects. Hence ~ATE²(2) a. [L, = borer]

terēd'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Ship-worm, mollusc that bores ships etc. [L, f. Gk *terēdōn* (*teirō* rub)]

terg'al, a. Of the back, dorsal. [f. L. *tergum* back + -AL]

tergēm'inate, a. (bot.). (Of leaf) having at base a pair of leaflets & forking with a pair on each branch. [f. L. *TER(geminus* born together) + -ATE¹]

tēr'givers'āte, v.i. Turn one's back on oneself, turn one's coat, apostatize, change one's party or principles; make conflicting statements. So ~A'TION, ~ātor², nn. [f. L. *tergiversari* turn one's back (*tergum* back + *vers-* f. *vertere* turn), see -ATE¹]

tērm', n. 1. (arch.). Boundary, limit, esp. of time, as *set a ~ to his encroachments, awaited the ~ of his existence*, whence ~LESS a. (poet., rhet.). 2. Limited period, as *for a ~ of 5 years, his ~ of office expired*. 3. (Univ., School, Law) period during which instruction is given || or court holds sessions, as *Michaelmas, Hilary, Easter, Trinity*, ~ (w. ref. to administration of justice, now sittings), *will end it next ~, during ~ (time)*, || *EAT ONE'S ~S*. 4. Appointed day, || esp. QUARTER¹-day. 5. (law). (Also ~ of or for years) estate or interest in land to be enjoyed for fixed period. 6. (math.). Antecedent or consequent of ratio, part of expression joined to the rest by + or - (e.g. $3ax^2 - b + ce$ has three ~s). 7. (logic). Word(s) that may be subject of predicate of a proposition, as MAJOR², MINOR, MIDDLE¹, ~. 8. Word used to express a definite conception esp. in particular branch of study etc., as *technical, scientific, law*, ~, in ~s of (in the language peculiar to), CONTRADICTION in ~s, *set (definite) ~s*. 9. pl. Language employed, mode of expression, as *in the most flattering ~s*. 10. pl. Conditions, as *cannot accept his ~s, do it on your own ~s*; esp. charge, price, as *his ~s are 2 guineas a lesson*, INCLUSIVE ~s; *come to ~s, yield, give way, (also make ~s) conclude agreement (with); bring person to ~s, cause him to accept conditions; ~s of reference, points referred to an individual or body of persons for decision or report, scope of*

an inquiry. 11. pl. Relation, footing, as *am on good, bad, familiar. ~s with him, are not on speaking ~s.* [f. F *terme* f. L *TERMINUS*]

term¹, v.t. Denominate, call, as *the music ~ed plain-song, I forget how or what he ~s it, this he ~ed sheer robbery.* [f. prec.]

term² *agant*, n. & a. 1. (hist.; T~). Imaginary Mohammedan deity of turbulent character, often appearing in morality plays. 2. Brawling woman, shrew, scold. 3. adj. Boisterous, turbulent, shrewish, whence **term**² *agancy* n., ~LY² adv. [f. OF *tervagan* f. It. *trivagante*, -vag-, perh. = wandering under three names (Selene, Artemis, Persephone), f. L *tri-* thrice + *vagari* wander, -ANT]

term³ *inable*, a. That may be terminated; coming to an end after certain time, as ~ *annuity*. Hence ~NESS n. [f. obs. *termine* *TERMINATE*, see -ABLE]

term⁴ *inal*, a. & n. 1. Of, forming, a limit or terminus, as ~ *station*; (Math.) ~ *value*, most concise form of an expression; (Bot.) borne at end of stem etc.; (Zool. etc.) ending a series, as ~ *joints*; of, done etc., each term, as ~ *accounts, subscription*; ~ (TERMINUS) *figure*. 2. n. Terminating thing, extremity, esp. point of connexion in electric circuit; *railway terminus. Hence ~LY⁴ adv. [f. L *terminalis* (TERMINUS, see -AL)]

term⁵ *in* *âte*¹, v.t. & i. Bound, limit; bring, come, to an end; (of word) end in (such letters or syllable). Hence or cogn. ~atively⁵ adv. [f. L *terminare* (TERMINUS), see -ATE¹]

term⁶ *inate*², a. Coming to an end, bounded, as a ~ *decimal*. [as prec., see -ATE²]

term⁷ *in* *ation*, n. (In vbl senses, see *TERMINATE*¹, & esp.) word's final syllable or letter or group of letters esp. as an element in inflexion or derivation; put a ~ *to, bring to a ~, make an end of*. Hence ~AL a. (gram.). [f. L *terminationem* (TERMINATE¹, -ATION)]

term⁸ *in* *ator*, n. Person, thing, that terminates; dividing line between light & dark part of heavenly body. [LL (as prec., -OR²)]

term⁹ *iner*. See OYER.

term¹⁰ *in* *ism*, n. Doctrine that everyone has limited term for repentance; = NOMINALISM. So ~IST n. [f. TERMINUS + -ISM]

term¹¹ *in* *ol* *ogy*, n. Science of proper use of terms; terms used in an art etc. Hence ~olô'gical a. (~ological *inexactitude*, 100, 110), ~olô'gicaly¹¹ adv. [f. TERMINUS + -LOGY]

term¹² *inus*, n. (pl. -uses, -i). 1. (Now rare) final point, goal. 2. || Station at end of main or branch railway. 3. (Rom. Ant., T~) god of boundaries. 4. Figure of human bust, ending in square pillar. 5. ~ *ad quem, a quo*, terminating, starting,

-point (of argument, policy, period, etc.). [L, cf. Gk *terma limit*]

term¹³ *itar* *ium*, **term**¹⁴ *itary*, nn. Nest of, cage for, termites. [f. foll. + -ARIUM, -ARY¹]

term¹⁵ *ite*, n. Social insect, chiefly tropical & very destructive to timber, pop. but errone. called *white ant*. [f. LL *termes -itis* wood-worm f. *terere* rub]

term¹⁶ *ly*, a. & adv. (rare). (Occurring, paid, etc.) by the term, terminal(ly). [-LY¹]

term¹⁷ *or*, n. (law). One who holds lands etc. for a term of years, or for life. [AF *termor* (TERM, see -OR² s.f.)]

term¹⁸, **tärn**, n. Kinds of sea-bird like gull but usu. smaller & with longer bill. [cf. Da. *terne*, Swed. *tärna*, ON *tierna*]

term¹⁹, n. & a. 1. Set of three, esp. three lottery numbers that when drawn together win large prize; such prize. 2. adj. =TERNATE. [f. F *terne* f. L *ternas*]

term²⁰ *lary*, a. Composed of three, so ~AL a.; (Math.) having three variables. [f. LL *ternarius* (L *terni* three each, see -ARY¹)]

term²¹ *âte* (or -at), a. Arranged in threes, esp. (Bot., of leaves) having three leaflets, whorled in threes. Hence ~LY²¹ adv. [-ATE²]

terne, n. (Usu. ~plate) inferior tin-plate alloyed with much lead. (prob. f. F *terne* dull, see TARNISH)

Terpsichoré¹ *an* (-ko-), t-, a. Of Terpsichoré, the Muse of dancing, as the ~ *art*. [f. Gk *Terpsikhoré* + -AN]

tér² *ra*, n. Earth (in various L & It. phrr.); ~ *carriós'a*, tripoli, rotten-stone; *terrae fil'ius*, son of the soil, humbly-born person; ~ *fürm'a*, dry land; ~ *incóg'nita* (In-k-), unknown region; ~ *Japón'tea*, gambier [orig. thought to be earth from Japan]; ~ *nera* (ná'ra), pigment used by ancient artists [It. = black earth]; ~ *verde* (vár'dä), green earth used as pigment [It.]. [L]

tér³ *rrace*, n., & v.t. 1. Raised level space, natural or artificial; (Geol.) raised beach. 2. || Row of housing along top or face of slope (also as fancy name of street etc.). 3. v.t. Form into, furnish with, ~; ~ *d* roof, flat roof of an Indian or Eastern house. [F (prec., -ACEOUS)]

térracott⁴ *a*, n. Hard pottery used as ornamental building-material & in statuary (often attrib.); statue, figurine, of this; (a. & n.) its brownish-red colour. [It., = baked earth]

térrain⁵, n. A tract of land as regarded by the physical geographer or the tactician. [F, as TERRENE]

térramare⁶ (-ahr, -är), n. Kinds of earthy deposit containing bones, phosphates, etc., & useful as fertilizer; S.-Europ. prehistoric deposit like kitchen MIDDEN. [F, f. dial. It. *TERRA* (*mara* = *marna* marl)]

térrän⁷ *éous*, a. (bot.). Growing on land. [f. *TERRA*, see -ANOUS]

térrapin⁸, n. Kinds of freshwater tortoise,

- esp. *salt-marsh* ~ (also *diamond-back*), kind valued as food. [prob. of Amer.-Ind. orig.]
- těrrāq'ueous**, a. (Of the earth) comprising both land & water. [TERRA, AQUA, -BOUS]
- těrrēne**, a. Of earth, earthy; terrestrial. [f. *L. terrenus* (TERRA)]
- terreplein** (tār'plān), n. (fortif.). Surface of rampart behind parapet, where guns are mounted; base above, on, or below, the ground level, on which a battery is placed in field-works. [F (*terre* earth f. TERRA + *plein* f. *L. plenus* full); orig. sense *earth-pack, talus*]
- terres'trial**, a. & n. 1. Of the earth, esp. opp. to *celestial*, as *the ~ seasons*, *the ~ globe*, *the earth, a ~ globe* (representing earth), ~ *MAGNETISM*; of this world, worldly, as ~ *aims, interests*; of land opp. to water; (Zool.) living on the ground, opp. to *aquatic, arboreal, aerial*. 2. n. Inhabitant of earth. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. *L. terrestris* (TERRA) + -AL]
- tě'rret**, -it, n. Each of loops or rings on harness-pad for driving-reins to pass through. [f. OF *toret* dim. of TOUR]
- tě'rrible**, a. Exciting or fit to excite terror, awful, dreadful, formidable; (colloq.) excessive, as *a ~ bore*; ENFANT TERRIBLE. Hence ~NESS n., **tě'rribly**³ adv. (esp., sl., very). [F, f. *L. terribilis* (*terrere* frighten, see -BLE)]
- těrric'ulous**, a. Living on or in the earth, esp. of the *Terricolae*, group of annelids including earthworm. [f. *L. terricola* (TERRA + *colere* inhabit) + -OUS]
- tě'rrier**¹, n. 1. Kinds of active & hardy dog with digging propensity; *black-&-tan*, *BULI*¹, *FOX*¹, ~, short-haired kinds; *Cairn*, *Irish*, *Scotch*, *Skye*, *Yorkshire*, ~, rough-haired kinds; *Maltese*, *toy*, ~, small toy kinds. 2. (colloq.). || Member of Territorial Army. [F, f. *L.* as foll.]
- tě'rrier**², n. Book recording site, boundaries, etc., of land of private persons or corporations; (Hist.) collection of acknowledgements of vassals or tenants of a lordship. [OF = rent-roll, = med. *L. terrarius* (*liber* book) of lands]
- terrif'ic**, a. Causing terror, terrible. Hence ~ICALLY adv. [f. *L. terrificus* (*terrere* frighten, see -FIC)]
- tě'rriřy**, v.t. Fright with terror, frighten. [f. *L. terrificare* (as prec., see -RY)]
- těrrig'énous**, a. Produced by the earth, as ~ *deposits*; ~ *metals*, metallic bases of earths, e.g. aluminium. [f. *L. terrigenus* born of earth (TERRA + *-genus* = -born f. *gigno*) + -OUS]
- terrine**¹ (-ēn), n. Earthenware vessel containing and sold with some table delicacy. [F, fem. of OF *terrin* earthen (L. TERRA, -INE¹)]
- territ**. See TERRIT.
- territō'ial**, a. & n. 1. Of territory, as ~ *possessions, acquisitions*; limited to a district, as *the right was strictly ~*; (T~) of (any of) the U.S. Territories; (Ecol.) ~ *system* (in which civil rule claims supremacy as a natural right, whence ~ISM n.); || T~ *Army* or *Force*, force organized for home defence to replace the older bodies of militia, yeomanry, and volunteers. 2. n. || Member of T~ Army. Hence ~LY³ adv. [f. LL *territoralis* (as TERRITORY, see -AL)]
- territō'ialize**, v.t. Extend by addition of, reduce to state of, territory. [-IZE]
- tě'rritōry**, n. Extent of land under jurisdiction of sovereign, State, city, etc.; (Commerc.) area over which a commercial traveller operates; large tract of land; *(T~) organized division of the country not yet admitted to full rights of a State. [f. *L. territorium*, etym. dub.]
- tě'rrior**, n. Extreme fear; ~-stricken, -struck (with ~); person, thing, that causes this, as *a ~ to evildoers*; (colloq.) *here comes this ~* (troublesome child) *again*; *king of ~s*, death (*Job* xviii. 14); *Reign of T~*, the T~, period of French Revolution, 1793-4 (& of similar periods marked by sanguinary excesses of revolutionaries, also *Red T~*, or reactionaries, also *White T~*). [f. F *terreur* f. *L. terrorem* (*terrere* frighten, see -OR¹)]
- tě'rrior'ist**, n. One who favours or uses terror-inspiring methods of governing or of coercing government or community, esp. (1) Jacobin under Reign of Terror, (2) Russian revolutionary. Hence or cogn. ~ISM(2,3), ~IZA'TION, nn., ~IS'tic a., ~IZE(1) v.t. [F (-e), prec., -IST]
- tě'rriy**, n. A pile fabric with the loops uncut (also attrib.). [perh. f. F *tirer* draw f. LL *tirare* etym. dub.]
- tě'rse**, a. (Of speech, style, writer) free from cumbrousness and superfluity, smooth and concise. Hence ~LY³ (-sl) adv., ~NESS (-sn-) n. [f. *L. tergere* ters-wipe, polish]
- tě'r'tian** (-shn), a. & n. (Fever, disease) whose paroxysms occur every other day, as ~ *ague*. [f. fem. of *L. tertianus* (*tertius* third, see -AN)]
- tě'r'tiary** (-sha-), a. & n. 1. Of the third order, rank, formation, etc. 2. n. (Ornith.) flight-feather of third row, so **tě'r'tial** (-shl) a. & n.; (T~) member of third order of monastic body; *the T~*, third geological period. [f. *L. tertiarus* (prec., -ARY¹)]
- tě'r'tio** (-shlō). See PRIMO³.
- tě'r'tium quid** (-shl-), n. A third something, esp. between mind and matter or between opposite things. [L]
- tě'r'tius** (-shus), a. || (In schools) *Jones* etc. ~ (third of the name); ~ *gaud'ens* (L, = glad third), third party expecting to profit by two others' quarrel. [L]
- terza rima** (tār't'sa rēm'a), n. (pl. -ze -me, pr. -ā). Arrangement of (hen)decasyllabic triplets rhyming thus (bat pig cat fig box wig ox etc.) as in Dante's *Commedia*; such triplets. [It.]

tercett'ō (tārts-), n. (mus.). Vocal trio. [It.]

Tēs'la, n. ~ coil, form of induction coil for high-frequency alternating currents such as are used in diathermy. [Nikola ~, Amer. scientist]

tēss'ellātēd, a. Formed of tesserae, as ~ed pavement; (Bot., Zool.) regularly checkered. So ~AR' a., ~A'TION n. [f. L *tessellatus* (*tessella* dim. of *foli.*, see -ATE²)]

tēss'er[a], n. (pl. ~ac). Small square usu. cubic block used in mosaic, whence ~AL a.; (Rom. Ant.) small square of bone etc. used as token, ticket, etc. [L, f. Gk *tessuras* four]

tēs'stur'a (-oora), n. (mus.). Range within which most tones of a voice-part fall. [It., =TEXTURE]

tēs't, n. 1. Critical examination or trial of person's or thing's qualities, as *has stood* (undergone) *the successive ~s of poverty and riches, must put it to the ~*; a ~ case (serving to show the principle involved). 2. Means of so examining, standard for comparison or trial, circumstances suitable for this, as *success is not a fair ~*. 3. Ground of admission or rejection, as *is excluded by our ~*. 4. (chem.). Reagent, substance employed to reveal presence of an ingredient in a compound, as *galls are a ~ of or for iron*. 5. Movable hearth in reverberation furnace used in separating silver from lead. 6. (colloq.). ~match. 7. *T~ Act* (of 1672, requiring all persons before holding office to take the ~, i.e. the oaths of supremacy and allegiance or equivalent ~; repealed in 1828); ~match one of the matches in a cricket tour etc. that are to count towards the total result; ~glass, ~mixer, ~paper, ~tube, (for ~s or other chem. purposes). [OF, f. L *testum* earthen pot, esp. (med. L) one for trying metals in]

tēs't, v.t. Put to the test, make trial of, (person, thing, quality); try severely, tax. (one's powers of endurance etc.); refine (metal); (Chem.) examine by means of reagent. Hence ~ABLE a., tēs'ter¹ [-ER¹ (1, 2)] n. [f. prec.]

tēs't, n. Shell, hard covering, of some animals. [f. L *testa* tile, jug, shell, etc., cogn. w. *testum* TEST¹]

tēs'tā'ceous (-shus), a. Of shells or shell-fish, so tēs'tā'CEAN (-āshn) a. & n., tēs'tā'ceōl'ogy n.: with a hard continuous shell; (Bot., Zool.) of red brick colour. [f. L *testaceus* (TEST³, -ACEOUS)]

tēs'tac'y, n. Being testate. [-ACT]

tēs'tament, n. 1. ~WILL¹ (last sense), as MILITARY ~, so ~ARILY² (-ēn²) adv., ~ARY¹ (-ēn¹) a. 2. (Bibl.) covenant, dispensation; *Old, New, T~*, the portion of the Bible dealing with the Mosaic, Christian, dispensation; (T~) copy of the N.T. [f. L *testamentum* will (TESTATE, -MENT); bibl. sense f. LL mistransl. of Gk *diathēkē* covenant, will]

tēs'tām'ur, n. (univv.). Certificate that one has passed examination. [L, = we testify]

tēs'tāte (or -at), a. & n. (Person) who has made a will (and died leaving it in force). So tēs'tāt'or¹, tēs'tār'aix, nn. [f. L *testari* testify, make will, (*testis* witness, see -ATE²)]

tester¹. See TEST¹.

tēs'ter², n. Canopy, esp. over four-poster. [f. OF *testiere* (*teste* head, as TEST²)]

tēs'ter³, n. Shilling of Henry VIII; (arch., joc.) sixpence. [var. of earlier and OF *teston* (as TEST², see -OON)]

tēs'ticle, n. Each of two glands in male that secrete spermatozoa etc. Hence tēs'tic'ūlar¹ a. [f. L *testiculus* dim. of *testis* a ~]

tēs'tic'ūlate, a. Having, shaped like, testicles; (Bot.) having a pair of organs so shaped. [f. LL *testiculatus* (prec., -ATE²)]

tēs'tify, v.i. & t. (Of person or thing) bear witness (to fact, state, assertion, against person etc., arch. of or concerning matter); (Law) give evidence; affirm, declare, (one's regret etc., that, how, etc.); (of things) be evidence of, evince. [f. L *testificari* (*testis* witness, see -FY)]

tēs'timōn'ial, n. Certificate of character, conduct, or qualifications; gift, money, presented to person, esp. in public, as mark of esteem, in acknowledgement of services, etc. [OF (adj.), f. LL *testimoniales* (TESTIMONY, -AL)]

tēs'timōn'ialize, v.t. Present (person) with testimonial. [-EE]

tēs'timōny n. Evidence, demonstration, as *called him in ~, produce ~ (to, of), we have his ~ for that*; (Law) oral or written statement under oath or affirmation; declarations, statements, as *must rely on the ~ of history, of historians*; (arch.) solemn protest, as *for a ~ against them*; (Bibl.) the decalogue, esp. the *tables of the ~*, (sing. or pl.) the Scriptures. [f. L *testimonium* (*testis* witness, see -MONT)]

tēs'tudinār'ious, a. Mottled with red, yellow, and black, like tortoise-shell. [f. TESTUDO, see -ARIOUS]

tēs'tūd'inate, a. Arched like carapace of tortoise. [f. LL *testudinatus* (TESTUDO, see -ATE²)]

tēs'tūdīn'eous, a. Like carapace of tortoise. [f. L *testudineus* (foll., -EOUS)]

tēs'tūd'ō, n. (pl. ~oes. ~ines). 1. (Rom. Ant.) screen formed by body of troops in close array with overlapping shields; similar screen used by miners where ground is likely to cave in. 2. Genus of tortoises, whence ~INAL a. [L, gen. -dinis, = tortoise-shell (TEST³)]

tēs't'y, a. Irritable, touchy. Hence ~ILY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [f. AF *testi*; OF has *tesu* heady (TEST³)]

tētān'ic, a. & n. 1. Of, such as occurs in, tetanus, as ~ spasm. 2. n. Remedy acting

on the muscles through the nerves, e.g. strychnine. [f. L f. Gk *tetanikos* (as foll., see -io)]

tét'anus, n. Disease marked by spasm of many or all muscles of voluntary motion, e.g. lockjaw; *artificial ~us* (induced by strychnine etc.). Hence or cogn. *-iza'tion* n., *-ize(s)* v.t., *-oid* a. [L, f. Gk *tetanos*, redupl. f. st. of *teinō* stretch]

tét(ch)'y, a. Peevish, irritable. Hence *-lyr'adv.*, *-iness* n. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

tête-à-tête ('tât'âtât'), adv., a., & n. 1. Together in private. 2. adj. Private, confidential. 3. n. Private interview or conversation usu. between two; sofa for two. [F, lit. head-to-head]

téth'er (-dh-), n., & v.t. 1. Rope, chain, halter, by which grazing animal is confined; (fig.) scope, extent of one's knowledge, authority, etc. (*was beyond, at the end of, his ~*). 2. v.t. Tie (esp. grazing animal) with ~. [vb f. n., prob. f. ON *tjóðr* (Sw. *tjuder*)]

tét'ra- in comb. = Gk *tetra-* comb. form of *tettares* four, as: *~chord* (-k-), scale series of half-octave (esp. in ancient mus.), so *~chord'al* a.; *~cyc'lic* (Bot.), of four circles or whorls; *~dac'tyl* a. & n., *~dac'tylous* a., four-toed (animal); *~gon*, plane rectilinear figure of four angles & four sides, so *tétrag'onal* a.; *~gram*, word of four letters, quadrilateral figure; *~gramm'aton*, Jehovah or other sacred word written in four letters; *tétrag'ymous* (-j-), of four pistils; *~héd'ron* (-a-h-), four-sided solid, esp. triangular pyramid, so *~héd'ral* (-a-h-) a.; *tétral'ogy*, group of four dramatic or operatic works, esp. (Gk Ant.) three tragedies & satyric drama; *tétram'eral*, *tétram'erous*, having four parts; *tétram'eter*, verse of four measures (cf. DIMETER); *~morph* (Christian art), union of attributes of four evangelists in one winged figure; *~pet'alous*, *~phyll'ous*, of four petals, leaves; *~pód* a. & n., *tétrap'odous* a., (butterfly) with only four perfect legs; *tétrap'ody*, group, verse, of four feet; *~stich* (-k-), group of four lines of verse; *~style* a. & n. (building) with four pillars esp. forming portico in front or supporting ceiling; *~syll'able*, word of four syllables, so *~syllab'ic* a.

tét'rád, n. The number four; set of four; atom, element, with combining-power of four atoms of hydrogen. [f. Gk *tetras* -ados (as prec., see -AD)]

tétrán'drous, a. (bot.). Having four stamens. [f. TETRA- + Gk *andr andros* male + -ous]

tét'rarch (-k-), n. (In Rom. empire) governor of fourth part of a country or province, subordinate ruler, whence or cogn. *-at'ice* (1), *-y*, n., *tétrarch'ical* a., (-k-); commander of subdivision of ancient Greek phalanx. [f. LL *tetrarcha*

f. Gk *tetrarkhēs* (TETRA- + *-arkhēs* f. *arkhō* rule)]

tét't'er, n. Kinds of skin-disease; *~wort*, larger celandine (supposed to cure these). [OE *teter*, cf. OHG *sitaroh*, G dial. *zitteroch*]

Teuc'rian, a. & n. Ancient Trojan. [f. L *Teucrí* + -AN]

Teut'o-, comb. form (irreg.) of foll., as *~MAN'IA* (C), *~PHIL* (E), *~PHOBE*, *~PHOB'IA*.

Teut'on, n. Member of any of the Teutonic nations or (Hist.) of the tribe of ~s first mentioned in 4th c. B.C. & dwelling perh. near mouth of Elbe. [f. L *Teutoni*, -nes; of Teut. orig., cf. DUTCH]

Teutón'ic, a. & n. 1. Of the Teutons; of the Germanic peoples (including, in widest sense, Scandinavians & Anglo-Saxons as well as German races): *~languages*, High & Low GERMAN & Scandinavian. 2. n. Languages of the Teutons collectively. Hence *~ISM* (4), *Teut'onism* (2, 4), *Teutoniza'tion*, nn., *Teut'onize* (3) v.t. [f. L *Teutonicus* (prec., -ic)]

téxt, n. Original words of author esp. opp. to paraphrase or commentary on them, as *there is nothing about this in the ~*, *the ~ is hopelessly corrupt* (altered by copyists); passage of Scripture quoted as authority or esp. chosen as subject of sermon etc.; subject, theme; *stick to one's ~*, not digress; main body of book opp. to notes, pictures, etc.; **~book*; (also *~hand*) large kind of handwriting; CHURCH', GERMAN', ~; *~book*, manual of instruction, standard book in a branch of study. [f. F *texte* f. L *textus* -ūs (in med. L = Gospel) f. L *texere* text- weave]

téx'tile, a. & n. 1. Of weaving, as *the ~ art*; woven, suitable for weaving, as *~fabrics, materials*. 2. n. = material. [f. L *textilis* (as prec., see -ILE)]

téx'túal, a. Of, in, the text, as *~criticism, errors*. Hence *~ly* adv. [ME & AF *textuel* (as TEXT, see -AL)]

téx'túal'ist, n. One who adheres strictly to the letter of the text, so *~ism* n.; ready quoter of scriptural texts. [-IST]

téx'tur'je, n. Arrangement of threads etc. in textile fabric, as *loose ~e*; arrangement of constituent parts, structure, (of skin, rock, literary work, etc.); representation of surface of objects in works of art; (Biol.) tissue, structure of this. Hence *~al* (-cher-, -tút-) a. [f. L *lectura* (as TEXT, see -URE)]

téx'turel'ess (-cher-, -tút-), a. Without discernible texture, amorphous. [-LESS]

-th¹, suf. forming nn., = -NESS; usu. f. adj. (*truth, wealth*), often with vowel change (*filth, foul, breadth broad*); corrupted to *-t* in *drought, height*; also f. vv. (*filth, ruth, growth*), meaning result or process, & (by assim. to *ruth* etc.) f. n., as *faith* (OF *feid*). [of var. orig.]

-th², -eth after -ty, suf. forming ordinal

numbers (adj., & nn. expr. fractions), as *fourth, tenth, thirtieth, hundredth, millionth*; in *fifth, sixth*, etc., assim. f. earlier *-t*; in *eighth*, united w. end of stem. [OE *-tha* (-dh-) in *fourth* (later numbers by assim.) f. OTeut. *-thon*, cf. Gk *-tos, L -tus*]

thal'amus, n. (pl. *-mi*). (Gk Ant.) inner room, women's apartment; (Anat.) place where nerve emerges from brain, esp. *optic* ~; (Bot.) receptacle of flower. [L, f. Gk *thalamos*]

tha'ler (tah-), n. German silver coin. [G, see DOLLAR]

Thali'a, n. Muse of comedy & pastoral poetry. Hence ~AN a. [L, f. Gk *Thaleia* (*thallō* bloom)]

thall'ium, n. Rare soft white metallic element used in making a highly refractive optical glass. Hence ~IC, ~OUS, aa. [f. foll. (from green line given in spectrum) + IUM]

thall'us, n. Plant-body without root, stem, or leaves. Hence ~OID a. [L, f. Gk *thallos* young shoot (*thallō* bloom)]

than (dhan, -ān), conj. (& quasi-prep.) introducing second member of comparison, as *you are taller ~ he* (is), (colloq.) *taller ~ him, I know you better ~ he* (does), *better ~ (I know) him, it is better to use hot water ~ cold, do anything rather ~ let him get off, would do anything rather ~ that he should get off, a man ~ whom no one is better able to judge*. [OE, = THEN, than; *A is better than B* orig. = *A is better, then B*]

thān'age, n. Rank of, land granted to, thane. [-AGE]

thānat(o)- in comb. = Gk *thanatos* death, as ~*ophid'ia* n. pl., poisonous snakes.

thān'atoid, a. Deathlike, apparently dead; deadly. [as prec. + OID]

thāne, n. (In early Eng. Hist.) member of a rank between ordinary freemen and hereditary nobles. Hence ~DOM, ~HOOD, ~SHIP, nn. [OE *theg(e)n* soldier, servant, thane, cf. OSax. *thegan*, ON *thegn*, cogn. w. Gk *tekon* child]

thank¹, v.t. Express gratitude to (person for thing); ~ *you, I ~ you* (polite formula acknowledging gift, service, offer accepted or refused); (as contempt. refusal) ~ *you for nothing*; (anticipatory) ~ *you (for that ball)*, please throw it here; (as polite formula, now usu. iron. implying reproach) *I will ~ you to shut the door, wipe your boots, leave my affairs alone; he may ~ himself, has only himself to ~. for that, it is his own fault*. [OE *thancian*, *tho-*, (foll.), cf. Du. & G *danken*]

thank², n. (now only in pl.). (Expression of) gratitude, as *give ~s to Heaven, expressed his heartfelt ~s, she bowed her ~s, small (iron. much) ~s I got for it; ~-offering* (Bibl.), Jewish offering made as act of thanksgiving; (as formula) ~s, thank you; ~s to (as the result of) *my foresight, your obstinacy*. Hence ~WORTHY a.

(arch.). [OE *thanc, thonc*, cf. Du. & G *dank*, cogn. w. THINK]

thank'ful, a. Grateful; (of words or act) expressive of thanks. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

thank'less, a. Not feeling or expressing gratitude; a ~ *task* (not likely to win thanks, unprofitable). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

thanks'giving, n. Expression of gratitude esp. to God; form of words for this, as *General T~* (in Book of Common Prayer); *T~ day* (set apart in U.S. for ~ to God, usu. last Thursday of November); (Bibl.) offering made as ~.

thar (tā), n. Goat antelope of Nepal. [native]

that¹, a., pron., & adv. 1. demonstr. adj. & pron. (pr. *dhāt*; pl. *those* pr. *dhōz*). The (person, thing), the person or thing, pointed to or drawn attention to or observed by the speaker at the time, or already named or understood or in question or familiar, as *observe ~ dog in the next field, who is ~ (woman) in the garden?, what was ~ noise?, what noise is ~?, don't roll your eyes like ~ (as you are doing) or in ~ imbecile fashion, I knew all ~ before, talked about responsibilities & all ~ (similar commonplaces), ~ (your action, the action you tell me of) is not fair, ~'s right!* (formula of approval, also vulg. = yes), (colloq.; also *there's*) ~'s (you, in view of present or future compliance etc., are) *a dear!*, *I use ~ (or the) term in a special sense, much to the disgust of ~ (or the) monarch, was cured from ~ hour, things were easier in those days, so ~'s ~ (formula closing narrative or discussion), come out of ~ (sl. form ordering person etc. to clear out), wouldn't give ~ (a finger-snap) for it, AT ~; (with feeling) *I will not see ~ boy put upon, why will you bring ~ woman here?, when you have done thumping ~ piano, shall not easily forget ~ day*; (coupled or contrasted with *this*, & applied esp. to the farther, less immediate or obvious, etc., of two) *this poker is much heavier than ~ (one), went to this doctor & ~ or to this & ~ doctor (various doctors), this, ~, & the other (various things), put this & ~ (various facts etc.) together*; (as pron. replacing the w. noun, w. sense completed by rel. pron. expressed or, in obj. case & arch. in subj., omitted) *those who drink water think water, those may try it who choose, had ~ in his eye which forbade further trifling, all those (~) I saw, all those (usu. the) specimens ~ I saw, those (usu. the) few (books) ~ I had, a different pattern to ~ (which) I was used to; (or by adj. or equivalent) those unfit for use, those below the standard, a tunic like ~ described above, those (usu. the) persons most injured by the tax, like most of those issuing from German workshops, east-of**

oil is less than ~ of gas; (foll. by *that* conj.) such, such a, as has ~ confidence in his theory that he would put it into practice tomorrow, was wounded to ~ degree that he resigned. 2. adv. (pr. dhât). To such a degree, so, as (colloq.) will go ~ far, have done ~ much, (vulg.) I was ~ angry I could have struck him. 3. rel. pron. (pl. same; pr. dhât; used, exc. arch., rhet., poet., only to introduce defining-clause essential or rhet. viewed as essential to identification; now largely replaced by *who* & to some extent by *which*, esp. after antecedent ~; in obj. case, & in arch. use in subj., ~ is often omitted; prep. governing ~ is always placed after it & usu. at end of clause). **Exx.:** the book (~ or which) I sent you, the box (~ or which) you put them in, the man (~ or usu. whom) you stopped, the people (~) you got it from or from whom you got it, the meanest flower ~ (rarely which) blows, the best ~ (not which) you can do, no one (~; not whom) I ever heard of could see any difference; (colloq.) Mrs Smith, Mary Jones ~ (not who) was (whose maiden name was Mary Jones). [OE *that* that, *THE*, cf. Du. *dat*, G *das*; for those see *THAT*]

that^a (dhât, occas. -ât), conj. introducing subordinate clauses: (of statement or hypothesis) they say (~) he is better, there is no doubt (~) he meant it, it is suggested ~ the mistake was intentional, it is hoped ~ all will go well, it is monstrous ~ he should expect further help, to think (~) he should use me so!; (of purpose) he lives ~ he may eat, he withdrew (in order) ~ the dispute might cease; (of result) am so sleepy (~) I cannot keep my eyes open, his language was such ~ we declined further dealings with him, what have I done ~ he should cut me?, where is he, ~ you come without him?; (of reason or cause) it is rather ~ he has not the time, not ~ (I do not say this because) I have any objection; (of wish) (O) ~ that were all!, (O) ~ I knew the truth!; (arch. or literary) in ~, since, in so far as; now ~, since now, as you ought to write now ~ you know the address. [OE, neut. as prec.]

thatch, n., & v.t. 1. Roof-covering of straw, reeds, or (in tropical countries) coconut & other leaves; (colloq.) thick hair of the head. 2. v.t. Cover (roof, house, or abs.) with ~. [(vb f. OE *theccan* f.) OE *thæc*, of. Du. *dak*, G *dach*, cogn. w. Gk *tegōs*, *siegē*, roof, L *toga* robe, *tegere* cover, etc.]

thaum'at'rope, n. Disk etc. on which are depicted images that appear to go through various movements when disk revolves. [irreg. f. Gk *thauma* wonder + *-tropos* -turning]

thaum'at'ur'gic, n. Worker of miracles, wonder-worker. Hence or cogn. *thaumatur'gic* (AL) aa., ~-ist, ~-y, nn. [f. med.

L f. Gk *thaumaturgos* a. (*thauma* -matoes wonder + *-o* + *-ergos* -working)]

thaw, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of ice, snow, frozen thing) pass to liquid state, melt, dissolve; (of weather, it) become so warm as to melt ice etc., rise above 32° Fahr.; (fig.) be freed from coldness or stiffness, unbend, become genial; cause to ~ (lit. & fig.). 2. n. ~ing, warmth of weather that ~s, as a ~ has set in. Hence ~less, ~y^a, aa. [(n. f. vb) OE *thawian*, cf. Du. *doeien*, OHG *douwen*]

the (before vowel dhî, before consonant dhe, emphat. dhê), a. & adv. 1. adj. Applied esp. to person(s) or thing(s) already mentioned or under discussion, or from the nature of the case actually or potentially existent, or unique (as class or individual), or familiar, or otherwise sufficiently identified, as tried to soothe ~ child, gave ~ fellow a shilling, shall let ~ matter drop, hoir is ~ guine or score?, what is ~ time?, depends on ~ weather, ~ Devil, sun, moon, stars, Thames, inflammation of ~ lungs, pulled ~ trigger, what was ~ result?, you will be ~ loser, revised by ~ author, find their way to ~ sea, went to ~ baths, theatre, rink, ~ King, ~ Home Secretary, ~ McGregor etc. (chief of clan), story does not lose in ~ telling; to sing. n. as repr. species, class, etc., as ~ lion, domestic cat, philosopher, cucumber, gavotte, general reader, man in the street, new woman, (rhet., esp. Bibl.) ~ oppressor, locust; to some nn. used in restricted sense, esp. fig. repr. a pursuit etc., as ~ gloves, ribbons, table, stage, theatre, platform, hustings, bottle, pulpit, fancy; to names of diseases etc. (now partly arch.), as ~ smallpox, measles, toothache, gout, flidgels, blues (depression), hump, (vulg.) ~ (habit of) drink; to nn. expr. a unit, as 10d. ~ (or a or per) pound, yard, etc., £15 ~ coat & skirt, allow 8 minutes (to) ~ mile, 16 oz to ~ pound; with sense completed by rel. clause or adj. or equivalent, as ~ book (that) you borrowed, ~ best (that) I can do for you, has not ~ nerve for motoring, wonder you have ~ impudence (to ask it expr. or understood), (exclam.) ~ impudence of ~ fellow!, ~ cup on ~ top shelf, ~ one with a broken handle, ~ bottom of a well, ~ best way, ~ only way, ~ way out, ~ upper classes, ~ better man of the two; w. adj. used abs., as none but ~ brave (brave men) deserve ~ fair, ~ beautiful (beauty), ~ sublime; w. adj. rhet. viewed as part of definition, as ~ virtuous & talented Duchess of X., details of ~ shocking disaster, ~ enraged animal; (dhê; italics) applied to the person or thing best known or best entitled to the name, as no relation to the Browning, the tobacco is (advertiser's). 2. adv. (a) rel., only in comb. w. (b). In whatever degree. (b) In that degree, by that amount, on that account. **Exx.:** ~ more

he gets, ~ more he wants; I play ~ worse, ~ more I practise; am not (or none) ~ more inclined to help him because he is poor, on that account, for what you tell me; none ~ better for seeing you; that makes it all ~ worse (in the full degree to be expected from what you say etc.); (tautologically) *so much ~ worse for him*, ~ worse, so much worse, for him. [f. OE masc. *the* (earlier *se*), fem. *théo* (earlier *séo*), neut. *thæt*; cf. Du. *de*, G. *der*, *die*, *das*, L. *iste*, *-ta*, *-tud*, Gk. *hō*, *hē*, *to*, Skr. *taḥ*. 2. OE *thy*, *thé*, instrumental case]

thēan'dric, a. Of the union, by joint agency, of divine & human nature in Christ. [f. eccl. Gk. *theandrikos* (*theos* god, *anēr andros* man, -ic)]

thēanthrōp'ic(al), aa. Both divine & human; tending to embody deity in human form. [f. eccl. Gk. *thēanthrōpos* god-man f. *theos* god + *anthrōpos* man + -ic)]

thē'archy (-kī), n. Government by god(s); class, order, of gods, as the *Olympian* ~. [f. eccl. Gk. *thēarkhia* rule of god (Gk. *theos* god + *-arkhia* f. *arkhō* rule)]

thē'atre (-ter), n. Building for dramatic spectacles, playhouse; || *patent* ~ (established by letters patent, not licensed by Lord Chamberlain); room, hall, for lectures etc. with seats in tiers (*operating* ~, for surgical demonstrations); dramatic literature or art; scene, field, of operation, as the ~ of war; *good* ~ (pred.), effective on the stage; ~-goer, -going, frequenter, frequenting, of ~s. [(perh. thr. OF) f. L. f. Gk. *theatron* (*theaomai* behold f. *thea* spectacle)]

thēat'ric(al), a. & n. 1. (Of manner, speech, gesture, person) calculated for effect, showy, affected; of or suited to the theatre, of acting or actors, so *thēat'ric* a. (rare). 2. n. pl. ~ performances, esp. *private* (amateur) ~s. Hence ~ISM(2, 4), ~ITY (-āl), nm., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~LY³ adv. [f. LL f. Gk. *theatricos* (as prec., see -ic) + -AL]

Thēbā'id (or *thē'*), n. Territory around Thebes (in Egypt); (also L ~is) poem on (siege of) Thebes (in Greece), esp. that of Statius. [f. L f. Gk. *Thēbaïs -idos* (*Thēbai* Thebes)]

Thēb'an, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Thebes. [-AN]

thee. See THOU.

thēft, n. Stealing; larceny. [OE *thēoft* (*thēof* THIEF + -TR¹)]

thē'ic, n. One who drinks tea to excess. So ~ISM¹ [-ISM(5)] n. [mod. L *tea* tea, -ic]

thē'ine, n. = CAFFEINE. (as prec. + -INE¹) **their** (dhāt), possessive case of, & adj. corresponding to, **THEY**, with absolute form *theirs* (for uses of. **HEE**²). [f. ON *theira* gen. pl. of *ad* = OE *se* **THE**]

theism¹. See **THEO**.

thē'ism², n. Belief in existence of a god

supernaturally revealed to man (of. **DEISM**) & sustaining a personal relation to his creatures. So ~IST n., ~is'tic(al) aa. [f. Gk. *theos* god + -ISM]

them. See **THEY**.

thēmāt'ic, a. (Mus.) of themes, as ~ *treatment*, ~ *catalogue* (giving opening themes as well as names etc.); (Gram.) of, belonging to, a theme, as ~ *vowel*, *form*. Hence **thēmāt'ically** adv. [f. Gk. *thematikos* (as foll., -ic)]

thēme, n. Subject on which one speaks, writes, or thinks; school composition, essay, on given subject; (Gram.) stem of noun or verb, part to which inflexions are added; (Mus.) melodic subject usu. developed with variations; (Hist.) any of 29 provinces in Byzantine empire; ~ *song*, recurrent melody in musical play or film. [f. L f. Gk. *thema* -matos (*tithēmi* set, place, see -M)]

Thēm'is, n. (Gk. Myth.) goddess of law & justice; these personified. [L f. Gk. *Themis* law]

themselves (dhēmsēlvz'), pron. Emphat. & reflex. form corresp. to **THEY** (for use, cf. **HIMSELF**). [**THEM** + pl. of **SELF**]

then (dhēn), adv., conj., a., & n. 1. adv. At that time, as *was ~ too much occupied*, ~ *comes the trouble*, the ~ *existing ordinances*; next, afterwards, after that, as *it must ~ soak for two hours*, & ~ *the operation is complete*; *now & ~*, at one time & another, from time to time. 2. conj. In that case, therefore, it follows that, (often *well*, ~), as ~ *you should have said so*, ~ *it is no use your going*, (but) ~ (if what you say is true) *why did you take it?*; (of grudging or impatient concession) if you must have it so, as *take it ~, between you & I . . . 'me'*, ~; (resumptively, not as first word) accordingly, as the *new Governor*, ~, *came prepared*; *Now ~*. 3. adj. Existing etc. at that time, as *the ~ Duke*, *secretary*. 4. n. That time, as *before*, *till*, *by*, *from*, ~; *every now & ~*, from time to time. [OF *thænne*, *tha*, *tho*-, cogn. w. **THAT**¹, **THE**, cf. Du. *dan*, G. *dann*]

thēn'ar, n. (anat.). Palm of hand, sole of foot; (also attrib. ~ *prominence*, *eminence*) ball of thumb. [Gk. *thēnar*]

thēnce (dh-), adv. (Arch.) from that place, from there; (somewhat arch.) from that source, for that reason, as a *discrepancy ~ results*, it ~ *appears*; ~ *forth*, ~ *forward*, adv. & nn., from (or from) that time forward. [ME *thenne* (OE *thanon*, *tho*-, f. root of *this*, *that*, *then*) + -EN]

thē[o- in comb. = Gk. *theos* god, as: ~ *ocracy*, government or State governed by God directly or through a sacerdotal class etc., the *Theocracy*, Jewish commonwealth from Moses to the monarchy; *thē'ocrat*, ruler in, subject under, ~ *ocracy*, so *thēocrat'ic* a.; ~ *ocratist*, believer in

direct intervention & authority of God through revelation in government of society; ~*do'crasy* (or *thé'okrási*) [f. Gk *krasis* mixture], union of soul with God through contemplation (among Neoplatonists, Buddhists, etc.); ~*do'icy*, vindication of divine providence in view of existence of evil; ~*do'ony*, (poem dealing with) genealogy of the gods, so *théogón'ic* a., ~*do'ontist* n.; ~*do'm'achy* (-kl), strife against or among the gods; *théomán'ia*, insane belief that one is God, also, religious insanity, so *théomán'iac* n.; ~*oph'any*, appearance of God to man, so *théophán'ic* a.; *théophilán'thropist*, member of a society formed in Paris in 1796 with object of replacing Christianity by a form of deism, also, one who professes to unite love to God with love to man, so *théophilán'thróp'ic* a., *théophilán'thropist*, *théophilán'thropy*, nn.; *théopneus'ty*, divine inspiration, so *théopneus'tic* a.; *thé'o-techny* (-k-), supernatural machinery, so *théotech'níc* (-k-) a.

théod'olite, n. Surveying-instrument for measuring horizontal and vertical angles by means of telescope. Hence ~*it'io* a. [orig. -*delite*; etym. dub.; perh. irreg. f. Gk *theomai* observe, *délos* plain]

Théodos'ian, a. Of the emperor Theodosius (I, II, or III), esp. ~ *code* (published under Theodosius II, d. 450). [-AN]

théoló'gian, n. Person skilled in, professor of, theology. [F (-ien), as foll. + -AN]

théol'ogy, n. Science of (esp. Christian) religion; *natural* ~ (dealing with knowledge of God as gained from his works by light of nature & reason); *positive*, *revealed*, ~ (based on revelation); *dogmatic* ~ (dealing with authoritative teaching of the Scriptures & the Church); *speculative* ~ (giving scope to human speculation, not confined to revelation); *systematic* ~, methodical arrangement of the truths of religion in their natural connexion. Hence or cogn. **théoló'gícal** a., **théoló'gícaly** adv., **théol'ogize** (1, 2) v.t. & i. [ME & OF *theologie* f. L f. Gk *theo*(logia) -LOGY]

théorb'ó, n. (pl. ~s). Two-necked musical instrument of lute class much used in 17th c. [f. F *tiorbe* f. It. *tiorba* etym. dub.]

thé'or'ém, n. (Math.) proposition to be proved by chain of reasoning, a truth to be established by means of accepted truths, (cf. *PROBLEM*); algebraical or other rule, esp. one expressed by symbols or formulae, as *binomial* ~*em*, formula for raising binomial to any power without multiplication; a speculative truth. Hence ~*émát'io*(AL) aa., ~*ém'atist*(S) n. [L LL f. Gk *theórēma* (*theōrēō*, see *THEORY* & -*MA*)]

thé'or'etic, a. & n. 1. - foll. 2. n. pl. Speculative parts of a science etc., so

~*étr'ician* (-lahn) n. [f. LL f. Gk *theōrētikos* (as *THEORY*, see -*ETIC*)]

théorét'ical, a. Concerned with knowledge but not with its practical application, speculative; based on mere theory, not dealing with facts as presented by experience. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [-AL]

thé'oric, a. (Gk Ant.). Of, for, public spectacles, esp. ~ *fund* (for providing free seats at theatre for poor citizens etc.). [f. Gk *theōrikos* (as *THEORY*, see -*IC*)]

thé'or'ý, n. Supposition explaining something, esp. one based on principles independent of the phenomena etc. to be explained, opp. to *HYPOTHESIS*, as *atomic* ~*y*, ~*y* of *gravitation*, *evolution*; speculative view, as *one of my pet* ~*ies* (often implying fancifulness); the sphere of speculative thought, as *this is all very well in* ~*y*, *but how will it work in practice?*; exposition of the principles of a science etc., as *the* ~*y* of *music*; (Math.) collection of results designed to illustrate principles of a subject, as ~*y* of *chances*, *equations*. Hence ~*ist*(S), ~*iza'tion*, nn., ~*ize*(2) v.i. [f. LL f. Gk *theōria* f. *theōrēō* behold, contemplate (*theōros* spectator f. *thea* spectacle)]

théos'oph'ý, n. Any of various ancient & modern philosophies professing to attain to a knowledge of God by spiritual ecstasy, direct intuition, or special individual relations. Hence or cogn. **thé'o-sóph**, ~*er*¹, ~*ist*(2), nn., **théosóph'io**(AL), **théosophis'tical**, aa., ~*ize*(2) v.i. [f. med.L f. late Gk *theosophia* f. *THEO*(*eophos* wise)]

-ther, **-ter**, suf. in pronominal & other wds w. idea of distinction or comparison (*other*, *either*, *whether*; *NEITHER*, *FURTHER*; *hither* etc.; *AFTER*); *neuter*, *alter* vb, have the cogn. L suf. [cf. Gk -*teros*, L -*ter*, G -*der*]

thérapeut'ic, a. & n. 1. Curative; of the healing art. 2. n. pl. Branch of medicine concerned with treatment of disease & action of remedial agents in disease or health. Hence ~*ical* a., ~*ically*² adv., ~*ist*(S) n. [f. Gk *therapeutikos* (*therapeúō* wait on, cure, f. *theraps* servant, see -*IC*)]

-thé'rapý, suf. f. Gk *therapeia* service, medical treatment, denoting medical treatment as indicated by first element of wd; also as n. (*occupational therapy*).

there (dhār, dher as below), adv., n. & int. 1. In or at that place; as *put it down* ~, *what is that dog doing* ~?, *lived* ~ *some years*, *have been* ~ *before* (sl.), know all about it, *all* ~ (sl.), in one's senses, sane, ~ *it is*—on the sofa, (calling attention) *you* ~!; at that point in argument, progress of affairs, situation, etc., as ~ *I agree with you*, ~ *is* (or *comes in*) the difficulty, *you had* (the advantage of) him ~, ~ *if* (the trouble) *is*, *you see*; *HERE* & ~, *neither* *HERE* nor ~; to that place, as *go* ~ *every day*, *got* ~ *in two minutes*, *got* ~ (sl.),

succeed; ~ or ~abouts, (transf.) about that amount, time, etc. ('was it two years ago?') 'T~ or ~abouts'; will come to £100, ~ or ~abouts; (merely expletive or introductory, usu. *ther*; preceding, or in interrog. or neg. or quasi-neg. sentence following, verb that normally precedes its subject, esp. *be*; in poet. or exclam. use subject may stand first) ~ was a cart close by, ~ was nothing ~, ~ was plenty to eat, what is ~ for supper?, not a sound was ~ to indicate their presence, seldom has ~ been more fuss, ~ fell a deep silence, a knight ~ u.s., a nice mess ~ is or seems to be!; ~'s (= THAT'S) a dear etc. 2. n. That place, as ~ was brought from ~, lives somewhere near ~, tide comes up to ~, passed by ~. 3. int. Expr. confirmation, triumph, dismaying, etc., as ~! what did I tell you?, or used to soothe child etc., as ~, ~, never mind. 4. ~abouts', near that place, as ought to be somewhere ~abouts, near that number, quantity, etc., as two guilions or ~abouts; ~after' (arch.), after that, according to that rule etc.; ~anent' (Sc.), about that matter; ~at' (arch.), at that place, on that account, after that; ~by' (or *dhā'bi*), by that means, as result of that (*d' ~by hangs a tale*, in which connexion there is something to be told, see *As You Like It*. II. vii. 28); ~for' (arch.), for that object or purpose; ~fore, for that reason, accordingly, consequently; ~from' (arch.), from that or it; ~in' (arch.), in that place, in that respect; ~inafter, ~before', later, earlier, in same document etc.; ~in'to' (arch.), into that place; ~of' (arch.), of that or it; ~on' (arch.), on that or it (of motion & position); ~out' (arch.), out of that, from that source; ~through' (arch.), through that; ~to' (arch.), to that or it, in addition, to boot; ~un'to' (arch.), to that or it; ~upon', in consequence of that, soon or immediately after that, (arch.) upon that (of motion or position); ~with' (arch.), with that, ~upon; ~withal', in addition, besides. [OE *ther*, *thér*, cf. Du. *daar*, G *da*; f. stem of THAT']

ther'iac, n. (Also *theri'aca* *Andrōm'achi* pr. -aki, Venice *treacle*) antidote to bites of poisonous animals compounded of many drugs. [f. LL f. Gk *thērīakē* antidote, fem. adj. as n. (*thērion* dim. of *thēr* wild beast, see -AO)]

theri'anthrōp'ic, a. Of, worshipping, beings represented under form of man & beast. So ~anthropism(S) n. [f. Gk *thērion* beast + *anthrōpos* man + IC]

therm, n. Statutory unit of calorific value in gas-supply (100,000 B.Th. units; see THERMAL). [f. Gk *thermē* heat]

therm'ae, n. pl. (Gk & Rom. Ant.). Hot springs or (esp. public) baths. [L, f. Gk *therma* pl. as prec.]

therm'al, a. & n. 1. Of heat, as ~ unit (for measuring heat); British ~ unit (abbr.

B.Th.U.), amount of heat required to raise 1 lb. of water at maximum density through 1° Fahr.; ~ equator, line along which greatest heat occurs on earth's surface; ~ springs, hot springs; of therm'ae. 2. n. (Usu. pl.) rising current of heated air (used by gliders). Hence ~LY¹ adv. [as THERM + AL]

thermān'tidōte, n. Apparatus for cooling the air, used in India. [as THERM + ANTIDOTE]

therm'ic, a. Of heat, as ~ rays, conditions. [as THERM + IC]

Thermidor'ian, n. Any of those who effected or favoured Robespierre's overthrow on Thermidor 9th, 1794. [f. F *thermidorien* (*thermidor*, republican month July-August, as THERM + Gk *dōron* gift), see -IAN]

therm'ion, n. An ion emitted by an incandescent substance. Hence **therm'ion'ic** a. (~ic valve or vacuum tube, appliance giving copious flow of electrons used esp. in wireless transmission & reception). [THERMO- + ION]

therm'ite, -mit, n. Mixture of finely powdered aluminium and oxide of iron that produces a very high temperature on combustion (used in welding and as a composition for incendiary bombs). [G (-mit), f. foll. + -ITE']

therm'o- in comb. = Gk *thermos* warm, *thermē* heat, as: ~chem'istry (-kēm-), branch of chemistry dealing with the quantities of heat evolved or absorbed during chemical reactions; ~electric couple, ~pile; ~dynam'ics, science of the relations between heat & mechanical work; ~electricity, electricity produced by difference of temperature, so ~electric a.; ~genesis, production of heat esp. in human body, so ~genē'tic ~gen'ic, as; ~gram, record made by ~graph (self-registering thermometer); ~pile, ~electric battery esp. arranged for measuring small quantities of radiant heat; ~scope, instrument for detecting differences of temperature without measuring, so ~scop'ic(al) aa.; ~stat, automatic instrument for regulating temperature, so ~stat'ic a.; ~stat'ics, theory of the equilibrium of heat; ~tax'is, regulation of heat or temperature esp. in warm-blooded animals, so ~lac'tic, ~tax'ic, aa.; **thermō'ropism**, involuntary movement of animal or plant towards or away from source of heat.

thermōm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring temperature, usu. glass tube with small bore containing mercury or alcohol, & variously graduated (*Fahrenheit*, *Réaumur*, *Celsius* or *Centigrade*, ~, with freezing-point at 32°, 0°, 0°, boiling-point of water at 212°, 80°, 100°); ~clinical ~ (small, with range of 25° or less, for taking temperature of the body); MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, ~. Hence **thermōm'eter'ic** (AL)

aa., **thermométrically** adv., **thermometry** n. [THERMO- + -METER]

thermós, n. *T* ~ *flask* or ~, kind of vacuum flask. [P]

thér'oid, a. (Esp. of idiot) having beast-like propensities. [f. Gk *thēr* wild beast + -OID]

thēról'og'y, n. Science of mammals, mammalogy. So ~IST n. [as proc. + -LOGY]

thésaur'us, n. (pl. -ri). Lexicon, cyclopaedia. [L, f. Gk *thésauros* treasure (*tithēmi* place)]

these. See THIS.

thēs'is (or *thē-* as below), n. (pl. *thēses* pr. -éz). 1. Proposition to be maintained; dissertation, esp. one by candidate for degree; school or college exercise. 2. (Also *thē-*) unaccented syllable in English scansion (cf. ARSIS). [Gk (-ē-), = thing laid down. (Pros.) thesis or ARSIS, f. *tithēmi* place]

Thēs'pian, a. & n. 1. Of Thespis, semi-legendary Greek dramatic poet of 6th c. B.C.; *the ~ art*, the drama. 2. n. Actor or actress. [f. Gk *Thēspis* + -AN]

thēt'a, n. Greek letter (Θ, θ) = *th*. [Gk]

thē'urg'y, n. Supernatural agency esp. in human affairs; art of securing this; magical science of Neoplatonists; production of effects by supernatural agency opp. natural magic. Hence or cogn.

thēur'gic (AL) aa., ~IST (3) n. [f. L f. Gk *theourgia* miracle f. *theourgos* (theos god + -ergon -working)]

thews (-z), n. pl. Sinews, muscles; (fig.) mental or moral vigour. Hence **thewed**² (-ud), **thew'less**, **thew'y**², aa. [OE *thēaw* habit, (pl.) manners]

they (dhā), pron. (obj. *them* pr. *dhem*, -ēm, poss. *THEIR*). Pl. of HE, SHE, IT; ~ (the persons) *who*; ~ (people in general) *say*; (loc.) *them's* (those are) *my sentiments*. [ME *thei* f. ON *thei-r* pl. of *sd* = OE *se* THE]

thick, a., n., & adv. 1. Of great or specified depth between opposite surfaces, as *bread is (cut) too ~*, *spread the butter ~*, *a board two inches ~*, *how ~ was it?*; (of line etc.) broad, not fine, (of script, type, etc.) consisting of ~ lines. 2. Arranged closely, crowded together, as ~ *hair*, *forest*, *crowd grew ~er*; numerous, as *fell ~ as peas*; abounding, packed, *with*, as *trees ~ with leaves*, *air ~ with snow*; of firm consistence, as ~ *paste*, *soup*; turbid, muddy, cloudy, not clear, as ~ *puddles*, *weather is still ~*. 3. Stupid, dull; (of voice) muffled, indistinct. 4. (colloq.). Intimate, esp. ~ *as thieves*. 5. *Lay it on ~*, (sl.) be profuse esp. in compliments; *|| a bit ~*, *rather ~*, *a little too ~*, etc. (sl.), going beyond what is reasonable, too much of a good thing; *|| ~ ear* (sl.), external ear swollen as result of blow (esp. in *give person a ~ ear*). 6. ~ *head*, *blockhead*; ~ *headed*, stupid; ~ *set*², *set* as growing close together, heavily or

solidly built, (n., ~ *set*) kind of stout fustian, (also ~ *set hedge*) close-grown hedge; ~ *skinned*, (fig.) not sensitive to reproach, insult, etc.; stolid; ~ *skulled*, ~ *witted*, stupid; *|| ~ 'un* (obs. sl.), sovereign (coin). 7. n. The ~ part of anything, esp. fig. *in the ~ of it* (of fight etc.); (colloq.) stupid person; *|| (sl.) cocoa*; *through ~ & thin*, under all conditions, resolutely, so ~ *& thin* a., as ~ *& thin supporters*. 8. adv. ~ *ly*, as *snow was falling ~*, *blows came fast & ~*, *heart beats ~*. Hence ~ *ISH*¹ a., ~ *LY*² adv. [OE *thrice*, cf. Du. *dik*, G *dick*]

thick'en, v.t. & i. Make or become thick; make (grave etc.) of stiffer consistence, whence ~ *ING*¹ (3) n.; *plot ~s* (becomes more intricate). [-EN¹]

thick'et, n. Number of shrubs, trees, etc., growing close together. [OE *thicet* (as THICK)]

thick'ness, n. Being thick; dimension other than length & breadth; piece of material of known ~, as *three ~es of cardboard will suffice*. [-NESS]

thief, n. (pl. -ves). 1. One who steals esp. secretly & without violence, whence **thiev'ERY** (4), **thiev'ishness**, nn., **thiev'ISH**¹ a., **thiev'ishly**² adv.; *thieves'* LATIN. 2. Projection in wick of candle causing it to gutter. [OE *thēof*, cf. Du. *dief*, G *dich*]

thieve, v.i. & t. Be a thief, practise stealing; steal (thing). [OE *thēofian* (as *thief*)]

thigh (thī), n. Part of human leg between hip & knee, corresponding part in other animals; *smile HP¹ and ~*; ~ *bone*, single bone of ~, femur. Hence (-) ~ *EN*² (-id) a. [OE *thēo(h)*, cf. Du. *dij*, OHG *dioh*]

thill, n. Shaft of cart or carriage; (also ~ *ER*¹ n.) ~ *horse* (put between ~s). [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

thim'ble, n. 1. Metal cap (occas. open at end) worn to protect finger & push needle in sewing; (Mech.) short metal tube, as ~ *joint*, *coupling*; metal ring concave on outside & fitting in rope to prevent chafing. 2. ~ *ful* (-bl-fōbl), small quantity (of brandy etc.) to drink; ~ *pie*, rapping on head with ~, as punishment; ~ *rig n.* & v.i., (play) sleight-of-hand trick with three ~-shaped cups & pea, by-standers betting which cup covers pea. ~ *ripper*, one who plays this, sharper. [OE *thimel*, as *THUMB* + -LE (1)]

thin¹, a. Having opposite surfaces close together, of small diameter, slender, as ~ *wire*, *string*, *board*, *sheet*; not dense, as ~ *air*; not full or closely packed, as ~ *house* (theatre); of slight consistency, as ~ *gruel*; lacking in important ingredient, as ~ *beer*, *blood*, *voice*, *humour*, *eloquence*; (fig.) shallow, transparent, flimsy, as ~ *disguise*, *excuse*, (colloq.) *that's too ~*; lean, not plump; (of lines) narrow, fine, (of script, type, etc.) consisting of ~ lines; (sl.) uncomfortable, distasteful, (esp. have a ~ *time*); *through THICK and ~*;

~skinned, (fig.) sensitive; || ~captain, kind of small dry plain biscuit. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n., ~n'ISS¹ a. [OE *thyne*, cf. Du. *dun*, G *dünn*, & L *tenuis*, Skr. *tanuṣ*]

thin¹, v.t. & i. (-nn-). Make or become thin, reduce in bulk or numbers, as *his hair is ~ning*, *nation had ~ned under* (or been ~ned by) *proscription*; remove some young fruit from (vine, tree) to improve growth of rest (also ~ *out seedlings* etc.). [OE *thynnian*, as prec.]

thine. See **THY**.

thing, n. 1. Whatever is or may be an object of thought (including or opp. to person), as: (of animate objects, esp. persons, expr. contempt, pity, affection, etc.) *poor ~*, *spiteful ~*, *a dear old ~*, *dumb ~s*, (sl.) *old ~*, & ~s (colloq. = & the like, etc.); (of inanimate material object) *take those ~s off the table*, *platinum is a costly ~*, *got my ~s (clothes) wet*, *pack up your ~s* (personal belongings); (of act, fact, idea, course, task, affair, circumstance) *a foolish ~ to do*, *sort ~*, *put ~ up ~*, *strange ~ that you cannot hold your tongue*, *that is not the same ~*, *the only ~ now is to take a cab*, *the ~ (to aim at) is to improve the pace*, ~s *begin to look brighter*, *has made a mess of ~s*, *takes ~s too seriously*; (of specimen or type of work etc.) *the latest ~ in hats*, *a sweet ~ in coal-scuttles*, *a little ~ of mine I should like to read to you*; *not the (conventionally proper) ~*; *am not feeling at all the ~ (well)*; (Law) ~s *personal*, *real*, *personal*, *real*, *property*; (pl., with adj. following, often joc.) all that is so describable (~s *Japanese*, *political*, *feminine*, *scholastic*, etc.). 2. *Do the handsome ~ by*, treat handsomely; *have a ~ about* (colloq.), be obsessed by; *know a ~ or two*, be experienced or shrewd; *make a good ~ of*, make good profit by. [OE = thing, cause, sake, office, council, cf. Du. & G *ding*, ON *thing*]

thing'amý, **thing'umajig**, **thing'umbōb**, **thing'ummy**, unj. Person, thing, whose name one forgets or treats as known, what's-his-name, what-d'you-call-it. [prec.]

think, v.t. & i. (*thought* pr. *tawt*). 1. Consider, be of opinion, as *we ~ (that) he will come*, *we do not ~ it probable*, *I ~ it a shame*, *it is not thought fair*, *is thought to be a fraud*, *I don't ~* (sl. addition to ironical statement, as *you are a pattern of tact*, *I don't ~*). 2. Intend, expect, as ~s *to deceive us*. 3. Form conception of, as *cannot ~ the infinite*, (colloq.) *I can't ~ how you do it*. 4. Recognize presence or existence of, as *the child thought no harm*. 5. Reduce to specified condition etc. by ~ing, as *cannot ~ away a toothache*, *will ~ himself silly*. 6. Exercise the mind otherwise than by passive reception of another's ideas, as *let me ~* (appeal for

time before answering etc.), ~ *twice before doing* (avoid hasty action), ~ *in German* etc. 7. Have half-formed intention, as *I ~ I'll try*. 8. ~ *about*, consider, esp. consider the practicability of (scheme, doing); ~ *aloud*, utter one's thoughts in the order of their occurrence; ~ *it* or *good*, choose (to do esp. arbitrary or foolish thing); ~ *of*, consider, imagine, propose to oneself, entertain the idea of, hit upon, as *have many things to ~ of*, *to ~ of* (one can hardly imagine) *his not guessing it*, *must be ~ing of going*, *couldn't ~ of such a thing*, ~ *of a word beginning with B*, *would have telephoned if I had thought of it*; ~ *better of*, decide on second thoughts to abandon (intention), (also) have higher opinion of (person, esp. than to believe etc.); ~ *little or nothing of*, consider insignificant or contemptible, as ~ *nothing of 30 miles a day*, *I ~ nothing of your friend Jones*; ~ *much*, *well*, *highly*, *meanly*, *of*, esteem thus, ~ *no small beer of*; ~ *out*, consider carefully, devise (plan etc.); ~ *over* (adv. or prep.), reflect upon, as ~ *over what I have said*, *will ~ it over*. Hence ~ABLE, ~ING² (all ~ing men, all who accept my view), aa., ~ER¹ n. [OE *thenc(e)an*, past *thōhte*, cf. ON *thekkja*, G *denken*; cogn. w. **THANK**²]

thi(o)-, comb. form of Gk *theion* sulphur, as ~o-acid, acid in which oxygen is replaced by sulphur.

thirđ, a. & n. 1. Next after second, whence ~LY² adv. 2. * ~ DEGREE, || ~ ESTATE, ~ of EXCHANGE¹; ~class, -rate, (loosely) inferior, poor; (Crick.) ~man, (place of) fielder diagonally behind point away from wicket; ~party or person (see PERSON for gram. sense), another besides the two principals, bystander etc., (~party risks in insurance, damage to another than the insured, which the underwriter contracts to meet). 3. n. One of three equal divisions of a whole. 4. Sixtieth of a second of time or angular measurement. 5. (mus.). Interval of which the span involves three alphabetical notes, harmonic combination of the notes thus separated. 6. ~ part of husband's personal property, going to widow in certain cases. [OE *thiridda* (THREE)]

thirst, n., & v.i. 1. Suffering caused by want of drink, desire for drink (*have a ~*, colloq., want a drink); (fig.) ardent desire, craving, (*of*, *for*, *after*, glory, person's blood, etc.). 2. v.i. Feel ~ (now chiefly fig. *for*, *after*). Hence ~LESS a. [OE *thyrstan* vb, *thurst* n., cf. Du. *dorst*, G *durst*, ON *thorsti*, cogn. w. L *torrēre* parch]

thirsty, a. Feeling thirst (be ~y, current E for *thirst* vb); fond of drink; (of country or season) dry, parched; (colloq.) causing thirst, as *this is ~y work*. Hence ~LY² adv. [OE *thurstig* (prec., -x¹)]

thirteen', a. & n. One more than twelve, 13, xiii; *the ~ superstition* (that ~ as the number of persons at table, or of one's room etc., brings ill luck). Hence **~TH'** a. & n. [OE *threolene*, -týne (as THREE, see **-TERN'**)]

thirt'y, a. & n. Three times ten, 30, xxx; *~one* etc., *~first* etc.; *T~nine Articles* (subscribed to by person taking orders in Ch. of Eng.); *~two-mo, 32mo*, book with 32 leaves to the sheet. Hence **thirt'izth**, *~fold* (see **-FOLD**), aa. & nn. [OE *thritig*, *thritig* (*thri* THREE, see **-TY'**)]

this (dh-), a. & pron. (pl. *these* pr. dhéz). The (person, thing), the person or thing, close at hand or touched or pointed to or drawn attention to or observed by the speaker at the time, or already named or understood or in question or familiar (seldom idiomatically interchangeable with **THAT'**, but often only equally applicable to the facts, the implication of greater nearness, familiarity, etc., being purely idiomatic), as *observe ~ dog on the hearth-rug, who are these people in the next room?*, *what is all ~ noise?*, *fold it like ~, I knew all ~ before*, *~ (your action, the action I am speaking of) is not fair, ~ term is liable to much abuse, things are easier in these days*; *~ and THAT'*; *~ much, ~ amount* (esp. = what I am about to state, as *I know ~ much, that the thing is absurd*); *~, THAT'*, & *the other*; (of time) *~ day, today, shall be or have been busy all ~ week, ought to be ready by ~ (time), before ~ (time), have been asking for it these (or ~) three weeks* (just past). [OE masc. *thes*, fem. *théas*, neut. *this*, prob. f. root of *that* (see **THE**); OE pl. *thás* gave *these*, *thás* gave *those* (now used as pl. of **THAT'**)]

this'nés (dh-), n. Quality of being this, = **HABOONITY**. [**-NESS**]

thistle (-sl), n. Kinds of prickly composite plant with globular or cylindrical heads with purple, yellow, or white flowers, Scottish national emblem (cf. ROSE); *Order of the T~*, a Scottish order of knighthood. Hence **thist'ly** (-sl) a. [OE *thistel*, cf. Du. & G *distel*, ON *thistill*]

thith'er (dhídh-), adv. (arch.). To that place, there (of motion). Hence **~WARD** (s) adv. [OE *thider*, *thy-*, f. root of **THE**, cf. **hither**]

tho'. See **TROUGH**.

thole', v.t. (arch.). Undergo, endure, suffer, (pain, grief, etc., or abs.); permit, admit of. [OE *tholian*, cf. ON *thola*, Da. *taale*, G *geduld* patience, cogn. w. Gk *tháo* suffer, L *tolerare*]

thole', n. (Also *~pin*) pin in gunwale of boat as fulcrum for oar; each of two such pins between which oar plays. [OE *thol*, cf. Du. *dol*, ON *thollr* tree, peg]

Thom'ism (tò-), n. Doctrine of Thomas Aquinas (died 1274), a scholastic philosopher and theologian, or of his

followers. So **~IST** n., **~is'tic** (AL) aa. [**-ISM**]

thong, n., & v.t. 1. Narrow strip of leather used as halter, reins, lash of whip, etc. 2. v.t. Provide with ~, strike with ~. [OE *thwang*, cf. ON *thwengr*, cogn. w. TWINGE]

Thor, n. Scandinavian god of thunder, war, & agriculture; *~s hammer*, flint axe (-hammer). [f. ON *Thórr*]

thor'ax, n. (Anat., Zool.) part of trunk between neck & abdomen or tail, whence *thorá'cic* a., *thorá'cy*, *thorá'cico*, *thorác'o-*, comb. forms; (Gk Ant.) breastplate, cuirass. [L, f. Gk *thōrax-akos*]

thor'ite, n. A black compact mineral found in Norway. [THOR + **-ITE'**]

thor'ium, n. Radio-active metallic element, the oxide of which is used in gas-mantles. [THOR + **-IUM**]

thorn, n. 1. Prickle, spiny process on plant, esp. abortive branch; kinds of ~y shrub or tree, as *haw~*, *white~*, *black~*; *a ~ in one's flesh or side*, constant source of annoyance; *be, sit, on ~s*, be continuously uneasy esp. in expectation of being detected etc. at any moment. 2. Name of the obs. E letter þ (th). 3. ~*back*, ray with spines on back and tail, British spider crab; *~bill*, *~tail*, kinds of humming-bird; *~tree* (S. Afr.), kinds of acacia. Hence **~LESS**, **~LY** (often fig. of affair, = hard to handle), aa. [OE & ON, cf. Du. *doorn*, G *dorn*]

thorough (thú'ro), a., n., prep., & adv. 1. Complete, unqualified, not superficial, out-&-out, as *his work is seldom ~, has caught a ~ chill, wants a ~ change, a ~ scoundrel*. 2. n. (hist.). Uncompromising policy of Stafford & Laud under Charles I. 3. prep. & adv. (arch.). Through. 4. *~báse*, bass part accompanied by signs esp. numerals to indicate the general harmony, such system of signs, (loosely) harmonic composition; *~brace*, strap between C-springs of vehicle; *~bred* a. & n., (animal, esp. horse) of pure breed, high-spirited, mettlesome, (also fig. of persons); *~fare*, road, street, esp. one through which much traffic passes; *no ~fare*, (as notice at end of obstructed or private road) no passage; *~going*, uncompromising, out-&-out; *~pared*, (lit., of horse) trained to all paces, (fig.) complete, unqualified, as *a ~paced racer*; *~pin*, swelling in hollow of horse's hock. Hence **~LY** (-ú'roh) adv., **~NESS** (-ú'rónés) n. [= **THROUGH**]

thorp(e), n. Village, hamlet, (esp. in place-names). [OE & ON (-p), cf. Du. *dorp*, G *dorf*]

those. See **THAT'**.

thou (dhow), pron. (object. *thee*, pl. YE, YOU), & v.t. & i. Sing. pron. of 2nd pers. now arch. or poet. exo. in addressing God & (usu. *thee* as subject, with 3rd pers. vb) as used by Quakers; (v.t.) address (person) as ~; (v.i.) use ~ instead of *you*.

[OE & ON *thú*, cf. Da. & G *du*, L *tu*, Gk *su*, *tu*]

though (dhō), *thō'*, conj. (Also *although*) notwithstanding the fact that, as he finished first ~ he began last, ~ it was late we decided to go; (also *although*) on the supposition that, as it is better to ask him (even) ~ he (should) refuse or refuses; what ~ (what does it matter if) the way is (arch. be) long?; as ~, as if, as it is as ~ a man should ask alms of a beggar, he acts as ~ he were mad, it looks as ~ he meant (vulg. means) business; (introducing what is virtually an independent sentence) & yet, as I have no doubt he will understand ~ you never know; (abs. or as adv.) however, as I wish you had told me, ~. [ME *thogh*, cf. ON *thó*, Du. & G *doch*]

thought¹ (thawt), n. 1. Process, power, of thinking; faculty of reason; sober reflection (in ~, meditating); consideration, as take ~ (consider matters), after serious ~, acts without ~; idea, conception, chain of reasoning, etc., produced by thinking, as an essay full of striking ~s, a happy ~, well-timed or apposite idea or suggestion; half-formed intention, as had (some) ~s of resigning, had no ~ of offending him; (usu. pl.) what one thinks, one's opinion, as will tell you my ~s of the matter; subject of one's ~, as his one ~ is how to get away, a PENNY for your ~; you are much in my ~s, I often think of you. 2. A ~, a little, somewhat, as cut it a ~ shorter, seems to me a ~ arrogant; FREE ~; quick as ~, very quick; second ~s, further consideration, as second ~s are best, on second ~s I will take a cab; ~reader, reading, reader, reading, of person's ~s by telepathy; ~transference, telepathy; ~wave, undulation of the supposed medium of ~transference. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-awt-) a. [OE (ge)thoht (THINK)]

thought². See THINK.

thoughtful (-awt-), a. Engaged in or given to meditation; (of book, writer, remark, etc.) giving signs of original thought; (of persons or conduct) considerate, not haphazard or unfeeling. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

thoughtless (-awt-), a. Careless of consequences or of others' feelings; due to want of thought. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

thousand (-z-), a. & n. Ten hundred, 1000, M (for uses cf. HUNDRED); (loosely) many, as a ~ times easier, one in a ~ (esp. rare or excellent one): (a) ~ & one, myriad, numberless (the ~ & one small worries of life; made a ~ & one excuses); a ~ thanks, pardons, apologies, etc. (forms of polite exaggeration); UPPER ten ~. Hence ~FOLD a. & adv., (-)~TH¹ a. & n. [OE *thūsund*, cf. Du. *duizend*, G *tausend*, ON *thúsund*, etym. dub.]

thrall (-awl), n., a., & v.t. 1. Slave (of, to, person or thing, lit. & fig.); bondage, esp.

in ~. 2. adj. (arch.). Enslaved (to).

3. v.t. Enslave. Hence *thra*'IDOM (-awl-) n. [OE *thrael*, f. ON *thræll*, cf. Da. *træl*]

thrash, *thrēsh*, v.t. & i. 1. (usu. -ash). Beat out or separate grain from (corn etc.) on *threshing-floor* or in *threshing-machine*; (fig.) ~ out, arrive at, obtain, (the truth, rhyme, etc.) by repeated trial. 2. (Of paddle-wheel, branch, etc.) act like flail, deliver repeated blows, (of ship) keep striking the waves, make way against wind or tide (usu. -ash, as ~ to windward).

3. (-ash). Beat esp. with stick or whip, conquer, surpass, whence *thrash*'ING n. [OE *thrascan*, cf. ON *threskja*, Du. *dorschen*, G *dreschen*]

thrash'er, *thrē-*, n. Kind of shark; (usu. *thre-*) person, machine, that threshes; (*thra-*) one who thrashes. [-ER¹]

thrasón'ical, a. Bragging. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *Thraso-onis*, character in Terence, f. Gk *thrasus* bold, +ICAL]

thread¹ (-réd), n. 1. Spun-out filament of cotton, flax, silk, wool, etc., yarn, (*has not a dry ~ on him*, is wet through); thin cord of twisted yarns; *gold ~* (of silk etc. with gold wire wound round it); LISM THREAD; ~ & THRUW; ~-shaped thing, long slender body, e.g. spiral part of screw; thin seam or vein of ore; (fig.) the ~ (course) of life; *hang by a ~*, (of person's life etc.) be in a precarious state, (of momentous issue etc.) be determinable either way by something still in doubt; *lost the ~* (chain, connexion) of his argument; *resume or take up the ~* of, proceed with after interruption; *gather up the ~s*, bring the divisions of subject etc. into relation after separate treatment. 2. ~bare, (of cloth) worn so that nap is lost and ~ visible, wearing such clothes, (fig.) well-worn, hackneyed, whence ~baredness n.; ~lace (made of ~); ~mark, mark made in bank-note paper with highly coloured silk fibres to prevent counterfeiting; ~needle, children's game (OLD *Lady of T~needle St*); ~paper, (strip of) soft thin paper used for rolling up ~; ~worm, kinds of like worm, esp. one infesting rectum of children. Hence ~'INESS n., ~Y² a., (-réd-). [OE *thræd* (as THROW), cf. Du. *draad*, G *draht*]

thread² (-réd), v.t. Pass thread through eye of (needle); string (beads etc.) on thread, make (chain etc.) thus; pick one's way through (maze, streets, crowded place, etc.), make one's way thus; streak (hair etc.) as with threads. [ME *threden*, as prec.]

threat (-rét), n. Declaration of intention to punish or hurt; (Law) such menace of bodily hurt or injury to reputation or property as may restrain person's freedom of action; indication of coming evil (*there is a ~ of rain*). [OE *threat* snow, calamity, threat, cf. *throtan*, past *thred*,

afflict, urge, & Du. *verdríeten* vex, cogn. w. L *trudere* push]

threa'ten (-rētn), v.t. & i. Use threats towards (person etc., or abs.; with the evil ~ed), as ~ed me with death, am ~ed with a visit; give warning of the infliction of (injury etc., or abs.), announce one's intention (to do), as punishment or in revenge etc., as ~s every kind of torment, ~ to resign, (fig.) clouds ~ (an interruption or to interrupt us), the practice ~s to become general. Hence ~ingly² adv. [OE *threátnian* (THREAT)]

three, a. & n. 1. One more than two, 3, III; (Skat.) any of four turns in which direction & edge are both changed; (Rugby footb.) ~-quarter; ~ times ~, ~ cheers thrice repeated; the ~ R's, reading, writing, arithmetic; RULE of ~. 2. ~-bottle man, old-fashioned hard drinker; ~-card trick (in which bets are made on which is the queen among ~ cards lying face downwards; also find the lady); ~-colour process (of reproducing natural colours by combining photographs in red, blue, & yellow); ~-cornered, triangular, (of contest etc.) between ~ parties each for himself; ~-deck'er, war-vessel with ~ gun-decks, ~-storeyed pulpit; ~-handed, with ~ hands, played by ~ persons, as ~-handed euchre; ~ halfpence, 1½d.; T~ in One, the Trinity; ~-legged race, of couples each having a right & left leg tied together; ~-mast'er, vessel esp. schooner with ~ masts; || ~-pair, (of room) up ~ pair of stairs (usu. ~-pair back or front); || ~-pence (thrép-, -lp-), sum of ~ pence; || ~-penny (bit) (same pron.), coin worth ~ pence; (the) ~-per-cent, (government) bonds bearing that interest; ~-PEASE; ~-ply, of ~ strands, webs, or thicknesses, (as n.) ~-ply wood made by gluing together 3 layers with grain in different directions; ~-point landing (Aeron.), landing of an aircraft on the two wheels & the tail skid simultaneously; ~-quart'er(s), (adj.) of ~ fourths of normal size or numbers, (of portrait) going down to hips, showing ~ fourths of face, (n.) any of 3 or 4 players behind HALF-backs; ~-score', (age of) sixty (~score & ten, age of 70 as normal limit of life). Hence ~-fold a. & adv. [OE *threo*, *thri*, cf. Du. *drie*, G *drei*, L *tres*, Gk *treis*]

three'some, n. & a. (chiefly Sc.). 1. Set of three persons; game etc. for three. 2. adj. Of three. [-sómə]

thrémmatól'ogý, n. Science of breeding animals & plants. [f. Gk *thremma* -matos nursing (*trephō* nourish, -m), -o-, -logy]

thrén'óde, -odý, nn. (Song of) lamentation esp. on person's death. Hence or cogn. ~-ér'ic, ~-ét'ic'al, ~-éd'ic'al, aa., ~-odist(s) n. [f. L f. Gk *thrénōidia* (*thrénos* wailing + *hōdē* ode)]

thresh etc. See THRASH etc.

thrésh'ól'd, n. Plank or stone at bottom

of door in dwelling-house, church, etc.; (loosely, esp. fig.) entrance, as at the ~ of a discussion, on the ~ of a revolution, of a new century; ~ of consciousness (Psych.), = LINDEN. [OE *therscōld* (therscan THRESH + -lē)]

threw. See THROW.

thrice, adv. (arch. or literary). Three times (now chiefly in comb. = highly, as ~-blessed, ~-favoured). [ME *thries* (THREE, -es)]

thrid, v.t. (arch.; -dd-). = THREAD².

thrid'ace, n. Inspissated juice of lettuce, used as sedative. [f. Gk *thridax* -akos lettuce]

thrift, n. 1. Frugality, economical management, whence ~LESS a., ~-lessly² adv., ~-lessness n. 2. n. Kinds of plant, esp. sea-pink. [ME & ON (as THRIVE, see -TH¹)]

thrif'tý, a. Frugal, economical; thriving, prosperous. Hence ~ily² adv. [-y²]

thrill, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Penetrate (person etc.) with wave of emotion or sensation, as his voice ~ed the listeners; be thus penetrated or agitated (with horror etc.); (of emotion etc.) pass through, over, along, as fear ~ed through my veins; quiver, throb, (as) with emotion. 2. n. Wave of emotion or sensation, as a ~ of joy; throb, pulsation; (Med.) kinds of tremor or resonance observed in auscultation; (sl.) sensational story. Hence ~-er' (2) n. (esp. sensational play or tale), ~-ingly² adv., ~-ingness n. [(n. f. vb) OE *thyrlan* (*thyrel* a. & n. bored, hole, f. *thurh* THROUGH)]

thrips, n. Kinds of insect, esp. (improp.) some injurious to vines etc. [L f. Gk, = woodworm]

thrive, v.i. (*throve* rarely ~ed, *thriven* rarely ~ed). Prosper, flourish; grow rich; (of animal or plant) grow vigorously. Hence ~-ingly² adv., ~-ingness n. [ME *thriuen*, past *thraf*, -of, f. ON *thrifa* grasp, cf. Da. *trives*, Sw. *trivas*, thrive]

thro', thro. See THROUGH.

throat, n., & v.t. 1. Front of neck between chin & collar-bone, jugular region, (cut one's ~, esp. with intent to kill him; take by the ~, try to throttle); gullet; wind-pipe, as words stuck in my ~; ~-shaped thing, e.g. narrow part of river between rocks, (also in many naut. wds); sore ~, inflammation of lining membrane of gullet etc., clergyman's (sore) ~, form of this affecting those who speak much in public, often of nervous origin; cut one's own ~, one another's ~s, adopt suicidal, mutually destructive, policy; lie in one's ~, lie grossly; give person the lie in his ~, accuse him of lying grossly; thrust thing down one's ~, force it on his attention. 2. v.t. Channel, groove. Hence ~-ed² a. [OE *throte*, cf. OHG *drossa*, G *drossel*, perh. cogn. w. Du. *strot* throat & ON *thrott* swelling]

throat' /j/, a. Guttural, uttered in the throat; having prominent or capacious throat. Hence **-INESS** n. [-Y²]

thrōb, v.i. (-bb-), & n. 1. (Of heart, bosom, temples, etc.) palpitate, pulsate esp. with more than usual force or rapidity; (fig.) quiver, vibrate, (as) with emotion. 2. n. Palpitation, pulsation, as *heart-~s*, *~s of pleasure*. Hence **~b'ing-ly**² adv. [ME *throbben*; excl. E; perh. limit.]

thrōe, n., & v.i. 1. (Usu. pl.) violent pang(s), esp. of childbirth lit. & fig., anguish; (pop.) in the ~s of (struggling with) *spring-cleaning*. 2. v.i. (rare). Be in agony. [ME *throwe* n., etym. dub.]

|| **Thrógmōrt'on Street**. (Used for) the London Stock Exchange or its members or operations.

thromb'ōs'is, n. Coagulation of blood in blood-vessel or organ. Hence **~ōr'ic** a. [Gk *thrombōsis* curdling (*thrombos* lump, see **-ōsis**)]

thrōne, n., & v.t. 1. (Chair of state for sovereign, bishop, etc., usu. decorated & raised on dais; sovereign power, as *came to the ~*, *lost his ~*: (pl.) third **ORDER**¹ of angels. 2. v.t. (poet. exc. in p.p.). Enthrone (lit. & fig.). Hence **~'less** (-nl-) a. [f. OF *trone* f. L f. Gk *thronos* seat, chair]

thrōng, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Crowd of people; multitude esp. in small space (of people or things). 2. v.b. Come, go, press, (round etc.) in multitudes; fill (street etc.) with a crowd or as crowd does; (arch.) press hard upon (person). (vb f. n.) OE (*ge)þrung* f. *þringan* vb crowd, cf. Du. & G *drang*]

thrō'stle (-sl), n. 1. Song-thrush. 2. (Also **~frame**) machine for spinning wool, cotton, etc. [OE, cf. MHG *drustel*; cogn. w. L *turdus* thrush]

thrō'tle, n., & v.t. 1. Throat, gullet, windpipe; (also **~valve**) valve controlling flow of steam etc. in engine. 2. v.t. Choke, strangle; control (steam etc., engine) with **~valve**; **~doun** n. reduce speed of (engine, car) thus. [vb f. 1400] perh. f. **THROAT** + **-LE**(3); n. (f. 1550) perh. f. north. *thropple* throat, etym. dub.]

through, **thro'**, **thro**, (-rō), prep., adv., & a. 1. From end to end or side to side of, between the sides or walls or parts of, as *~* **~** *the town*, *arrow went ~ his arm*, *see ~ a telescope*, *look ~ the window*, *pass ~ the doorway*, *swam ~ the waves*, *pushes his fingers ~ his hair*; (fig.) *went ~ many trials*, *got ~ his examinations*, *saw ~ his hypocrisy*, *wait ~ ten long years*, *flashed ~ his mind*; by reason of, by agency, means, or fault of, as *it all came about ~ his not knowing the way*, *concealed it ~ shame*, *it was all ~ you that we were late*. 2. adv. From side to side, from end to end, from beginning to end, as *let us stroll ~*, *would not let us ~ (gate etc.)*, *ice gave & I went ~*, *read it carefully ~*, *read*

it ~ & ~ (again & again), *looked him ~ & ~ (observed searchingly)*, *lasted all ~ (all the time)*; (colloq.) *are you ~ (with that job)?*, *have you finished (it)?*; **CARRY**, **drop** or **FALL**¹, **FULL**¹, ~; **GO**¹ ~ **with**. 3. adj. Going, concerned with going, ~, as *a ~ bolt*, *~ stone*, = **BOND**¹ *stone*; esp. (of railway or steamboat travelling) going all the way without change of line etc., going over different companies' lines with same ticket, as *~ carriage*, *train*, *passenger*, *ticket* (for ~ passenger), *fares*. [OE *thurh* prep. & adv., cf. Du. *door*, G *durch*, cogn. w. Goth. *thairh* through & *thairkō* hole]

through'ly (-ōll), adv. (arch.). Thoroughly. [f. **THROUGH** + **-LY**²]

throughout' (-rō-owl), adv. & prep.

1. Right through, in every part, in all respects, as *timber was rotten ~*, *followed a sound policy ~*. 2. prep. Right through, from end to end of, as *~ the length & breadth of the land*, *~ the 18th century*. [OUT]

throwe. See **THRIVE**.

throw¹ (-ō), v.t. & i. (*threw* pr. -ōd, ~n pr. -ōn). 1. Release (ball, object) after imparting motion, propel through space, send forth or dismiss esp. with some violence, fling or hurl or cast (lit. & fig.), as *must not ~ stones* (lit., & fig. = cast imputations), *threw the ball over his head*, *learnt to ~ a fly* (in fishing), *mortars ~ shell*, *hose ~s water*, *house ~n down by earthquake*, *ship was ~n upon the coast*, *~n from his horse*, *was ~n into a dilemma* or *upon his own resources*, *~ COLD*¹ *water on*, *~ a sop to*; *~ light on the matter*, help to explain it; *~ down the glove*, ~ **DUST**¹ in person's eyes; *~ oneself*, one's daughter, at the head of (openly seek as husband); *~ (as FLING)* in one's teeth; *~ good money after bad* (lose more in trying to recoup a loss); (w. ind. obj.) *~ me a rope*, *~ one a kiss* (wave hand to him after kissing it); (Cricket, of bowler) deliver ball with sudden straightening of elbow (was *no-balled for ~ing*). 2. (Of wrestler, horse) bring (antagonist, rider) to the ground. 3. Put (clothes etc.) carelessly or hastily on, off, over one's shoulders etc.; (of snake) cast (skin). 4. (Of animals, e.g. rabbits, pigeons) bring forth (young). 5. Make (specified cast) with dice, as *threw deuce-ace*. 6. Twist (silk etc.) into threads. 7. Shape (round pottery) on potter's wheel. 8. Turn, direct, move esp. quickly (esp. part of body), as *threw his eyes to the ground*, *a glance backwards*, *his arms up*, *his head back*; *~ a chest* (sl.), stand erect with chest expanded. 9. *Lose (contest, race, etc.) intentionally. 10. Have (a fit); (sl.) give (a party). 11. ~ **away**, (fig.) part with needlessly or recklessly, lose by neglect, as *threw away all his advantages*, *an excellent offer*; (p.p.) *wasted*, as *the advice was ~n away upon him*. 12. ~ **back**, revert to ancestral character; *~back n.*

reversion to ancestral character, example of this. 13. ~ oneself down, lie down. 14. ~ in, (also ~ into the bargain) add (thing) to a bargain without extra charge; interpose (word, remark) by way of parenthesis or casually; ~ in one's hand, lit. in card games esp. Poker, (fig.) give up, withdraw from a contest; ~ in one's lot with, decide to share the fortunes of. 15. ~ oneself into, engage vigorously in. 16. ~ off, discard (acquaintance etc.); contrive to get rid of (illness, troublesome companion); abandon (disguise); produce, deliver, (poem, epigram) in offhand manner; (of hounds or hunt, & transf.) begin hunting, make a start, begin speaking, playing, etc.; (& see above). 17. ~ oneself on, upon, place one's reliance on (*the mercy of the court* etc.). 18. ~ open, open suddenly or wide; make accessible (to all corners etc.); ~ open the door to, make possible. 19. ~ out, cast out; build (wing of house, pier, projecting or prominent thing); suggest, insinuate; reject (bill in Parliament); distract (person speaking, thinking, or acting) from the matter in hand so that he blunders or stops; (Cricket, of fielder) put out (batsman) by ~ing at wicket. 20. ~ over, desert, abandon. 21. ~ overboard, see OVER-(2). 22. ~ up, lift up (window-sash); resign (office); vomit (t. & l.); ~ one's eyes up (as sign of horror or outraged propriety); ~ up the sponge. Hence (-) ~ ER¹ (-der) n. [OE *thrdwan*, past *throwe*, twist, hurl, cf. G *drehen*, Du. *draaien*, twist, whirl]

throw¹ (-ō), n. 1. Throwing, cast; cast of dice; cast of fishing-line; distance a missile is or may be thrown, as *record ~ with the hammer*; a *stone's ~*, (loosely) slight distance; fall in wrestling; (Cricket) bowler's illegitimately delivered ball. 2. (Geol., Mining) fault, leap, in strata. 3. Machine, device, giving rapid rotary motion. 4. ~ off, start in hunt or race; ~ stick, club, stick, meant to be whirled from the hand, e.g. boomerang. [f. prec.] **throw'ster** (-rō-), n. One who throws silk. [-STER]

thrūm¹, n., & v.t. (-mm-). 1. Fringe of threads remaining on loom when web has been cut off; single thread of this; any loose thread or tuft; *thread & ~*, all alike, good & bad. 2. v.t. Make of, cover with, ~a. Hence ~m'Y¹ a. [OE, cf. ON *thromr* edge, Du. *dreum*, G *trum*, end, *thrum*] **thrūm²**, v.i. & t. (-mm-), & n. 1. Play monotonously or unskilfully on or on (stringed instrument); drum, tap, idly on or on (table etc.). 2. n. Such playing, resulting sound. [imit.]

thrush¹, n. Family or genus of birds, esp. European *song*~, *throstle*. [OE *þruse*]

thrush², n. Disease, esp. of children, marked by pearl-coloured fungous ves-

cles in mouth & throat; disease affecting frog of horse's foot. [f. 17th c., etym. dub.; cf. Da. *troške*]

thrust¹, v.t. & i. (*thrust*), & n. 1. Push with sudden impulse or with force (lit. & fig.), as ~ his fist into my face, ~ the letter into his pocket, ~ a pin into the cushion, I ~ out my hand, ~ him forth (out of room etc.), was ~ from his rights; ~ oneself or one's nose in, obtrude, interfere; pierce (person etc.) through; make sudden push at (person etc. with dagger etc.); force oneself through, past, etc.; make one's way thus; hence ~ ER¹ n. (|| esp., foxhunter who endangers others or the hounds in securing a forward place). 2. n. Sudden or forcible push, (Mil.) strong attempt to penetrate enemy's line or territory; attack with point of weapon; remark aimed at a person (a *shrewd*, HOME¹, ~; he *parried* the ~); stress between two bodies esp. parts of structure, e.g. arch, rafters; crushing of coal-mine pillars by weight of roof; ~ block, (esp.) casting or frame carrying or containing the bearings on which the collars of a propeller-shaft press; ~ hoe (worked by ~, not pull). [(n. f. vb) ME *thrusen* f. ON *þrýsta*, perh. cogn. w. L *trudere*]

thūd, v.i. (-dd-), & n. (Make, fall with) low dull sound as of blow on soft thing. [prob. imit.; but cf. OE *thyddan* strike, thrust]

thūg, n. Member of a religious organization of assassins in India suppressed about 1825; cut-throat, ruffian. [f. Hind. *thag*, -ug]

thūg¹/lee (-gē), n. The practice of the thug. So ~ERY, ~ISM, nn., (-g-). [f. Hind. *thag* as prec.]

Thūl'ē, n. Name given by Pytheas of Massilia to some (is)land north of Gt Britain; *ūl'tima* (=farthest) ~, any far-away unknown region.

thūmb (-m), n., & v.t. 1. Short thick finger set apart from & opposite to the others on human hand; digit of other animals corresponding to this in position; ~s up! (sl. excl. of satisfaction); RULE of ~; his FINGERS are all ~s; under person's ~ (influence, domination). 2. ~blue, washing-indigo in small lumps; ~index, set of lettered grooves cut in front edges of a book's leaves to facilitate reference; ~latch (raised by pressing end of lever with ~); ~mark (made by ~ esp. on leaf of book); ~nail sketch, portrait of ~nail size, hasty word-picture; ~nut (shaped for ~ to turn); ~print, impression of ~ esp. as used for identification; ~screw, instrument of torture for squeezing ~s; ~stall, sheath, pad, etc., to protect ~. 3. v.t. Wear, soil, (pages etc.) with ~; handle (piano keys etc.) or play (music) awkwardly. Hence ~LESS (-ml-) a. [OE *thūma*, cf. Du. *duim*, G *daumen*, L *thumb* to swell]

thūmm'im. See URM.

thump, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Beat heavily esp. with fist; deliver heavy blows *at, on*, etc.; ~ *the* or *a cushion* (of vehement preacher emphasizing his words with blows on pulpit cushion). 2. n. Heavy blow, bang. [imit.]

thūm'pler, n. In vbl senses, also: (colloq.) large, striking, or impressive person or thing, esp. lie, so ~ING¹ a. [-ER¹]

thūn'der, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Loud noise following flash of lightning & due to discharge of electricity through the air; ~bolt, as *Jove's ~s*; (fig.) loud noise, as ~s of *applause, blood-&~*, (of novel etc.) sensational; (pl.) authoritative censure or threats (*the ~s of The Times, the Church*). 2. v.i. Give forth ~, usu. *it ~s*; make loud noise, as *voice ~ed in my ears*; utter violent threats etc. *against* etc. 3. v.t. Emit (threats etc.) in loud or impressive manner. 4. *Steal* person's ~, (fig.) forestall him (by telling the story he meant to tell, making profitable use of his invention before he can, & the like; from remark of John Dennis when the stage ~ he had intended for his own play was used for another); ~-*lightning*, = OXFORD mixture; ~-*bolt*, flash of lightning with crash of ~, imaginary bolt or shaft viewed as substance of lightning, kinds of stone or fossil supposed to be such bolt, formidable threat etc.; ~-*clap*, crash of ~ (esp. fig. or in simile of sudden terrible event or news; *the ~clap of Napoleon's escape; the news came on me like a ~clap*); ~-*cloud* (producing ~); ~-*storm* (with ~); ~-*struck*, struck by lightning, amazed. Hence ~-*LESS*, ~-*OUS*, ~-*Y*¹, aa., ~-*OUSLY*¹ adv. [(v), OE *thunrian*] OE *thunor*, cf. Du. *donder*, G. *donner*, ON *thorr* (cf. THOR), cogn. w. L *tonare* thunder, Gk *stenō* groan]

thūn'derer, n. In vbl senses, esp. *the T~*, Jupiter, || (joc.) *The Times* newspaper. [-ER¹]

thūn'dering, a. & adv. In vbl senses, also or esp.: (colloq.) unusual(ly), remarkable, remarkably, decided(ly), as a ~ *nunsunce*, was ~ *glad to get back*, a ~ *great fish*; *the T~ Legion*, Roman legion containing Christian soldiers whose prayers were held to have procured thunderstorm that terrified the enemy. Hence ~-*LY*¹ adv. [-ING¹]

thūn'|- in comb. = L *thun thuris* frankincense, as: ~-*ifer*, acolyte who carries censer; ~-*iferous*, producing frankincense; ~-*ification*, burning of incense.

thūn'ible, n. Censer. [f. L *thuribulum* (thus, see prec., f. Gk *thuos* f. *thuō* sacrifice)]

Thurs'day (-zdl), n. Fifth day of week; HOLY, MAUNDY, [OE *thures dag* THOR's day I. ON *thurs-dag*, on *L dies Jovis* Jupiter's day]

thūs (dh-), adv. In this way, in the way (to be) indicated, whence ~-*WAS* n. (joc.);

accordingly, as a result or inference; to this extent, so, as ~ *far*, ~ *much*. [OE, cf. Du. *dus*, prob. cogn. w. THAT¹]

thwäck, v.t., & n. = WHACK. [imit.]

|| **thwaite**, n. Piece of wild land made arable (now in place-names, as *Es~, Stone~*). [f. ON *thveit* paddock, cogn. w. OE *thwitan* cut, WHITTLE]

thwart (-dt), adv., prep., & a., (arch.), v.t., & n. 1. Across, athwart; (Naut.) ~-*hause*, across the hause, ~-*ship* a., ~-*ships* adv., (lying) across ship; (adj.) lying across, transverse. 2. v.t. Frustrate, cross, (wish, purpose), whence ~-*ingly*¹ adv. 3. n. Oarsman's bench placed across boat. [ME (adv.), f. ON *thwert*, cf. OHG *tuor*, G. *quer*, Du. *dwaars*; cogn. w. L *torquere* twist]

thȳ, **thine**, (dh-), pron. & a. Possessive case of, & adj. corresp. to, THOU (now arch. etc. as THOU; before vowel usu. *thine*), also (*thine*) in abs. use, as *it was thy fault, lift thine eyes, the fault is thine, do what thou wilt with thine own*. [OE *thin*, cf. ON *thinn*, G. *dein*; thy by loss of -n]

thȳ'lacine, n. Zebra wolf, a Tasmanian carnivorous marsupial. [F, f. Gk *thylakos* pouch, -INE¹]

thyme (tim), n. Kinds of plant, esp. *common garden ~*, shrub with pungent aromatic leaves used in cookery, *shepherd's* or *wild ~*, kind with mildly aromatic leaves. Hence **thȳm'ol** n. (a powerful antiseptic), **thȳm'Y**¹ (ti-) a. [f. F *thym* f. L f. Gk *thymos* (*thuō* sacrifice)] **thȳm'us**, n. (anat.; pl. -*mi*). (Usu. ~ *gland*) a ductless gland situated near the base of the neck (in man disappearing on the approach of puberty). [f. Gk *thymos*]

thȳr'old, a. & n. (anat., zool.). Shield-shaped, as ~ *cartilage*, large cartilage of larynx projection of which in man forms Adam's apple; connected with the ~ *cartilage*, as ~ *artery*; ~ *body* or *gland*, large ductless organ of no known function situated on larynx & trachea, the seat of goitre (~ *gland* or ~, drug prepared in various forms from the ~ *gland* of animals & used in cretinism & other diseases); having shield-shaped markings, as ~ *woodpecker*. Hence **thȳr'o** comb. form (anat.). [Irreg. f. Gk *thyroecides* (Galen) f. *thyreos* shield f. *thura* door, see -OID]

thȳrs'us (-dr-), n. (Gk Ant.; pl. -*st*). Staff tipped with ornament like pine-cone, an attribute of Bacchus. [L f. Gk *thyrsos*]

thȳsēlf (dh-), pron. Reflexive & emphat. form corresp. to *thou, thee*. [THY + SELF]

ti (tē), n. Kinds of tree with edible roots. [Polynesian name]

tiār'a, n. Ancient Persian turban worn erect by king, depressed by others; Pope's diadem pointed at top & surrounded by three crowns, (fig.) the papal

office; ornamental coronet. Hence ~^d [-ed¹] a. [L f. Gk, prob. of Pers. orig.]

tib'ia, n. (anat., pl. ~ae pr. -ē). The shin-bone; fourth joint of leg in insects; drumstick of fowl. So ~AL a., ~O- comb. form. [L (ti-), =shin-bone, flute]

tic, n. Habitual spasmodic contraction of muscles esp. of face; (in full ~ *douloureux* pr. *dôlerôô'*, & see Ap., lit. painful ~) severe form of facial neuralgia with convulsive twitchings. [F, etym. dub.]

tical (in *Siam* *tikahl'*; in *Burma* *ti'kl*), n. Former Siamese silver coin (roughly = 1 rupee) or its weight; similar Burmese and Chinese weight. [Port. *tical*]

ticc'a, a. (Anglo-Ind.). Engaged on contract, hired (esp. in ~*gharry*, hackney-carriage). [Hind. *thikā*, hire, fare]

tice, n. = YORKER. [f. obs. *tice* ENTICE]

tick¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Make) slight recurring click, esp. that of watch or clock (to or on the ~, with exact punctuality); (colloq.) moment, instant; ~-*tack*, pulsating sound esp. of the heart (see also TRICK-TRACE), kind of manual semaphore signalling practised by racecourse touts; ~~, (nursery for) watch. 2. Small mark set against items in list etc. in checking; (v.t.) mark (item, usu. off) with ~. 3. (Of clock etc.) ~ *away* (the time etc.); ~ off (sl.), reprimand; (of tape-machine) ~ *out* (news etc.); ~ *over*, (of int.-comb. engine) run slowly with gears etc. disconnected. [ME *tek* light touch, cf. Du. *tik(ken)* n. & vb, touch, pat; in sense 'click' perh. imit.]

tick², n. Arachnid or insect parasitic on various animals, as *dog*, *sheep*, *cattle*, ~. [OE *ticia* (once, perh. error. for *tica*), ME *teke*, cf. MDu. *teke*, G *zecke*]

tick³, n. Cover, case, of bedding; (also ~ING¹ n.) stout usu. striped linen or cotton material used for this. [earlier *teke* f. L f. Gk *thēkē* case (*tithēmi* place)]

tick⁴, n., & v.i. & t. (colloq.). 1. Credit, as *buy goods on ~*. 2. vb. Give ~; buy or sell (thing) on ~; give (person) ~. [abbr. of TICKET]

tick'er, n. In vbl senses of TICK¹, esp.: (colloq.) watch, telegraphic tape; (loc.) the heart. [-ER¹]

tick'et, n., & v.t. 1. Written or printed piece of card or paper entitling holder to admission to place of entertainment etc., conveyance by train etc., or other right, as *concert*, *theatre*, *bath*, *lottery*, *railway*, *excursion*, *SEASON*, *THROUGH*, *RETURN*, ~; || (Mil. sl.) discharge (*get one's ~*); label attached to thing & giving price or other particulars; notice, usu. of card, set up in window etc. of house to let etc.; *the ~* (colloq.), the proper thing, as *not quite the ~*; * (Polit.) list of candidates put forward by a party, (fig.) principles of a party, as *the democratic ~*. 2. || ~ *of leave* (allowing liberty with certain restrictions to prisoner or convict who has served

part of his time), || ~ *of leave man*, holder of such ~; || ~ *day* (St. Exch.), day before settling-day, when names of actual purchasers are handed to stockbrokers; ~ *night*, performance at theatre proceeds of which are divided among several persons in proportion to number of ~s disposed of by each; || ~ *porter*, licensed porter identified by badge; ~ *punch* (for punching ~s). 3. v.t. Put ~ on (article for sale etc.). [f. OF *et(s)iquet(te)* ticket, bill, f. OLG *stekan* to STICK]

tick'ey, -**ký**, **tikk'ie**, -**ký**, n. (S.-Afr. colloq.). Threepenny-bit. [?]

tic'kle, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Apply light touches to (person, part of his body, or abs.) so as to excite the nerves & usu. produce laughter & in extreme case convulsion, as ~ *him with a feather*, ~ *the soles of her feet*, *don't ~*; feel this sensation, as *my foot ~s*; excite agreeably, amuse, divert, (person, his sense of humour, vanity, etc.), as *I was highly ~d at the idea*, *this will ~ his palate*; catch (trout etc.) with the hand. 2. n. Act, sensation, of tickling. [ME *tikelle*, perh. by metath. f. ON *killa*, cf. KITTLE]

tick'ler, n. In vbl senses, also: puzzling or delicate question or matter; feather used by revellers to tickle faces. [-ER¹]

tick'lish, a. Easily tickled, sensitive to tickling; (of question or thing to be dealt with) difficult, critical, delicate, requiring careful handling. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

ticpolōng'a (-ngg-), n. Venomous serpent of India & Ceylon. [f. Cingalese *titpolōngā* spot-viper]

tid'al, a. Of tide(s); ~ *air* (passing in & out of lungs at each respiration); ~ *basin*, *dock*, *harbour* (subject to rise & fall of tide); ~ *friction* (of ~ wave, retarding diurnal rotation of earth); ~ *river* (affected by tide to some distance from mouth); ~ *wave*, wave following sun & moon from east to west & causing tides, (improp.) any extraordinary ocean wave e.g. one attributed to earthquake, (fig.) widespread manifestation of feeling etc. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

tidbit. See TITBIT.

tid'd'ly-winks, n. Game in which counters are flocked into tray etc. on centre of table. [?]

tid'e¹, n. 1. Time, season, (now chiefly in *even~*, *Whitsun~*, *Christmas~*, *yule~*, etc., otherwise arch.); period of time, as *work double ~s* (night & day). 2. Periodical rise (*flood~*) & fall (*ebb~*) of sea due to attraction of moon & sun, whence *tidōr'oey* n.; *high*, *low*, ~, completion of flood, ebb, ~; *spring*, *neap*, ~, maximum, minimum, ~ when solar & lunar ~s act together, act 90° apart; *LAG'ging*, *PRIMING¹*, of the ~s; *meteorological ~* (due to regular alternations of wind etc.); (fig.) trend of opinion or

fortune or events (*go with the ~, the ~ turns*). 3. ~gate (opened to admit water or let vessels pass during rising ~, closed to keep water in during ebb); ~gauge (showing extremes or present level of ~); ~lock (between tidal harbour & basin behind it); ~rip(s), rough water caused by opposing ~s; ~waiter, customs officer who boards ship on arrival to enforce customs regulations; ~way, channel where ~ runs, ebb or flow in such channel. Hence ~LESS (-dl-) a. [OE *tīd* time, cf. Du. *tijd*, G. *zeit*, ON *tíð* time]

tid², v.i. & t. Drift with tide, esp. work in or out of harbour with help of tide; get over (difficulty etc.), as ~ over *this business*, ~ *it over*. [(in obs. sense happen, betide) OE *tīdan*; mod. senses direct f. prec.]

tid'ings (-z), n. pl. (now chiefly literary; treated as sing. or pl.). (Piece of) news, as *the ~ comes* too late. [OE *tīdung* (as prec.), ME *tīdinde* f. ON *tīðindi* f. corresp. ON vb]

tid'y, a., n., & v.t. 1. (Of dress, room, person, habits) neatly arranged, neat, orderly; (colloq.) pretty large, considerable, as *left a ~ sum behind him*, *a ~ day's work*; (dial.) fairly well in health, as *am feeling pretty ~*. 2. n. Detachable usu. ornamental cover for chair-back etc., receptacle for odds & ends (*street ~*, bin for paper etc.). 3. v.t. Make (room, table, etc., oneself, or abs.; often up) neat, put in good order. Hence **tid'ily**² adv., **tid'iness** n. [ME, = seasonable, tidy, (TIDE¹ + -Y²)]

tie¹, v.t. & i. (*tying*). 1. Attach, fasten, with cord or the like, as ~ *the dog to the railings*, *RIDE & ~, ~ his legs together*, ~ *up a parcel*; secure (shoe, bonnet) by tightening & knotting its strings; arrange (string, ribbon, tie, etc.) to form knot, bow, etc., as ~ *your tie*, ~ *it in a bow*; form (knot, bow) thus; ~ (dress fish-hook to look like) *a fly*; bind (rafters etc.) by crosspiece etc.; restrict, bind, (person etc. to, down to, conditions, occupation, etc.). 2. ~ *a* woman's *apron-strings*; ~ person's *tongue*, secure, compel, his silence; ~ *up*, restrict, esp. annex conditions to (bequest etc.) to prevent its being sold or diverted from its purpose; || ~ *a* house, public house bound to deal exclusively with one firm. 3. (mus.). Unite (notes) by tie. 4. Make equal score or run dead heat or draw game (*with* competitor, for place or prize). [OE *tīgan*, as foll.]

tie², n. 1. Cord, chain, etc., used for fastening; = **NECK**¹ ~; old **SCHOOL**¹ ~; (fig.) thing that unites persons, bond, obligation, as ~s of *blood, friendship*; rod, beam, holding parts of a structure together, *rail sleeper; ~beam, horizontal beam connecting rafters; small fur necklet. 2. (mus.). Curved line above two notes of same pitch that are to be joined as one.

3. Equality of score or draw or dead heat among competitors in game or contest; *play, shoot, etc., off a ~*, play further game etc. to decide between such competitors; match between any pair of several competing players or teams, as *cup ~s* (in competition for cup). 4. ~up, obstructed situation, standstill, esp. *strike of railway men etc.; ~wig (tied behind with ribbon). [OE *teð* rope f. *tēo(ham)* pull, cf. ON *taug* tie, string]

tier, n., & v.t. 1. Row, rank, esp. one of several placed one above another as in theatre; ~s of *cable*, circles it forms when coiled. 2. v.t. Pile (often up) in ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *tire* sequence (*tirer* to draw)]

tierce, n. One third of a pipe as old wine-measure, cask containing certain quantity (varying with the goods) esp. of provisions; (Mus.) = **THIRD**; sequence of three cards; (Fencing) third position for guard, parry, or thrust (~ & *quart*, fencing); (Ecol., also *terce*) office of third hour. [ME, f. F *tiers*, fem. -*ree*, third, f. L *tertius*]

tiercel. See **TERCEL**.

tiercet. See **TERCET**.

tiers état (tyárz'átah'), n. = **third ESTATE**. [F]

tiff, n., & v.t. & i. 1. || Draught of liquor; fit of peevishness, slight quarrel. 2. v.t. || Sip, drink. 3. v.i. Be in a pet; (Anglo-Ind.) lunch. [different wds, etym. dub.; last sense f. **TIFFIN**]

tiff'an'y, n. Kind of gauze muslin. [orig. dress for Twelfth Night, f. OF *tiphanie* f. LL *theophania* manifestation of God, **EPIPHANY**]

tiff'in, n., & v.i. (Anglo-Ind.). (Take) light meal esp. of curried dishes & fruit, lunch. [TIFF vb + -ING¹; orig. in sense 'drinking']

tige (têzh), n. (Archit.) shaft of column; (Bot.) stem, stalk. [F, f. L **TIBIA**]

tig'er (-g-), n. 1. Large Asiatic striped feline quadruped, esp. *Bengal ~*; *American ~*, jaguar; *red ~*, cougar; *work etc. like a ~* (with fierce energy); (colloq.) formidable opponent in a game, opp. **RABBIT**; dissolute swaggerer or bully, whence ~ism(2) n.; groom accompanying master in light vehicle; * (sl.) yell supplementary to three cheers, final burst. 2. ~beetle, predacious kinds with spotted or striped wing-covers; ~cat, any moderate-sized feline beast resembling the ~, e.g. ocelot, serval, margay; ~(-s)-eye, a gem of brilliant lustre; ~lily, garden kind with flowers of dull orange spotted with black or purple; ~moth, kinds with richly streaked hairy wings suggesting ~s skin; ~wood (imported from Brit. Guiana for cabinet-making). So **tig'ness**¹ n. [ME & OF *tigre* f. L f. Gk *tigris* of oriental orig.] **tig'erish** (-g-), a. Like, cruel as, a tiger. [-ness¹]

tight (tit), a., n., & adv. 1. Closely &

firmly put together, as ~ *ship*; impermeable, impervious, esp. (in comb.) to specified thing, as *air, gas, water, wind*, ~; closely held, drawn, fastened, fitting, etc., as ~ *knots, cork is too ~, corn caused by a (too) ~ shoe*; neat, trim, compact, as a ~ *lass* (arch.), ~ *little island*; tense, stretched so as to leave no slack, as ~ *rope* (~ *rope*, one on which rope-dancers etc. perform); (colloq.) drunk; *money is ~* (not easily obtainable), a ~ *money-market* (in which money is ~); produced by, requiring, great exertion or pressure, as a ~ *squeeze, am in a ~ place* (usu. fig., difficult situation); ~ *fisted*, stingy; ~ *wad* (sl.), close-fisted or stingy person. 2. n. pl. Close-fitting garments as used by acrobat etc. 3. adv. ~ly, as *squeeze it, hold it, ~*. Hence ~EN¹ (tit-) v.t. & i. (~en one's *bell, joc.*, go without food), ~ENER¹ (1, 2), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [earlier *thight* f. ON *thétr*, cf. G *dicht*]

tike. See TYKE.

tikkie, -ky. See TICKLEY.

tū (tē), n. The TILDE in Port. use (over vowel, repr. lost nasal n).

till'bury, n. (hist.). Kind of gig. [maker] till'de (-ā), n. Mark (") put over Spanish *n* when it is pronounced ny (so *señor*). [Sp., var. of *título* TITLE¹]

tile, n., & v.t. 1. Thin slab of baked clay for roof, pavement, drain, etc.; similar slab glazed & often decorated for hearth, fireplace, wall, etc.; *have a ~ loose* (sl.), be rather mad; *on the ~s* (sl.), on a debauch; *Dutch ~* (painted) used in blue & with scriptural subjects; PANTLE; *plain ~*, flat roofing ~ usu. about 10 x 6½ in.; (colloq.) silk hat; ~ *tea*; ~ *stone*, kinds of flagstone serving when split for ~s. 2. v.t. Cover (roof etc., or abs.) with ~s; (Freemasonry) guard (lodge, meeting) against intrusion by placing tiler at door, whence (gen.) bind (person) to secrecy; ~ *in*, enclose in ~s. Hence till'ING¹ (1, 2, 6) n. [(vb f. n.; in Freemasonry sense f. foll.) OE *tigele* f. L *tegula* f. *tegere* cover]

till'er, n. One who makes or lays tiles, whence till'ERY (8) n.; (Freemasonry, also arch. *tyler*) doorkeeper of lodge. [-ER¹]

till¹, v.t. Cultivate (soil). Hence ~ABLE a., ~AGE (8) n. [OE *tilian*, *teotian*, strive for, till, f. *tīl* useful, cogn. w. foll., cf. Du. *teien* breed, till, G *zielen* aim at]

till², prep. & conj. 1. Up to, as late as, (specified day, hour, season), as *wait ~ evening, four o'clock, then, Monday, next week*; up to the time of (event expected to happen sooner or later), as *was true ~ death, waited ~ the end, ~ his return, arrival, departure* (but not ~ *his accident*). 2. conj. Up to the time when, as *ring ~ you get an answer, walk on ~ you come to the gate*. [f. ON *tīl* to, orig. a noun=OE *tīl* fixed point, cf. G *ziel*]

till³, n. Money-drawer in shop counter. [f. 18th c., stym. dub.]

till⁴, n. Stiff clay with boulders, sand, etc., boulder-clay. Hence ~Y⁴ a. [f]

till'er¹, n. One who tills. [-ER¹]

till'er², n. Lever fitted to head of rudder for steering; ~ *chain, -rope* (connecting ~ with wheel). [f. OF *telier* crossbow-stock, orig. weaver's beam, f. L *tela* web, -ARY¹]

till'er³, n., & v.i. 1. Shoot of plant springing from bottom of original stalk; sapling; sucker. 2. v.i. Put forth ~s. [OE *telgor*, cf. Du. *telg*, MHG *telch*]

tilt¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Cause to) assume sloping position, heel over, as *table is apt to ~ over, don't ~ the table, cask wants ~ing* (to facilitate emptying); (Geol., t. & i. of strata) turn up at steep angle. 2. Make a charge with lance (often at opponent, esp. fig.); ~ *at the ring* (suspended for horseman to carry off on point of lance). 3. Hammer (steel etc.) with ~. 4. n. ~ing, sloping position. 5. Charging with spear against antagonist or mark (~ *yard*, place used for this). 6. Device of crossed sticks etc. for showing when fish has taken hook. 7. *Full ~*, at full speed, with full force, esp. *come, run, full ~ against*. 8. ~ (*-hammer*), heavy pivoted hammer used in forging. Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [(n. f. vb) ME *tīlten* f. OE *teall* unsteady, cf. Norw. *tylten* unsteady, Sw. *tulia* waddle]

tilt², n., & v.t. 1. Covering of canvas etc. esp. for cart. 2. v.t. Furnish with ~. [OE *teld*, cf. MDu. *telde*, G *zell*, ON *tjald*]

tilth, n. Tillage, cultivation; depth of soil affected by this. [OE (TILL¹ + TH¹)]

tim'bal, -ul, t̃y-, n. Kettledrum. [f. F *timbale*, earlier *atlabale* f. Arab. *al ṭabl* the drum]

timbale (tānbahl'), n. Drum-shaped raised pie in crust of paste or macaroni. [F]

tim'ber, n. 1. Wood prepared for building, carpentry, etc.; trees suitable for this; woods, forest; piece of wood, beam, esp. (Naut.) any of the curved pieces forming ribs of vessel, whence (invoking destruction) *shiver my ~s*; || (Hunting) fences & gates. 2. || ~ *cart* (high-wheeled with tackle for lifting ~); ~ *head*, top end of ~ rising above deck & used for belaying ropes etc.; ~ *hitch*, knot used in attaching a rope to a spar; ~ *toe(s)*, colloq., person with wooden leg; ~ *wolf*, large American grey wolf; || ~ *yard* (lit., & in cricket sl., batsman's wicket). Hence (-) ~ *ED*¹ (-erd) a., ~ING¹ (2, 3) n. [OE, cf. Du. dial. *timmer*, G *zimmer* room, timber, ON *timbr*, cogn. w. Gk *domō* build, L *domus* house] timbre (tām'ber, & see Ap.), n. Characteristic quality of sounds produced by each particular voice or instrument, depending on the number & character of the overtones. [F, = *timbre*, clock-bell, drum, f. TYPANUM]

tim'brel, n. Tambourine. {dm. of ME *timbre* f. prec.}

time¹, n. 1. Duration, continued existence; progress of this viewed as affecting persons or things, as ~ will show who is right, has stood the test of ~, (personified) assaults of (old, Father) T~. 2. More or less definite portion of this associated with particular events or circumstances, historical or other period, as the ~s of the Stuarts, the ~ of the Black Death, for the ~ BEING, prehistoric ~s, those godless ~s, the good old ~s, things have changed since those ~s, the scientists of the ~. 3. Allotted or available portion of ~, the ~ at one's disposal, as it will last out ~ (lives), have no ~ for such frivolities, had no ~ to discuss it, spend, lose, waste, ~; will take all your ~ (colloq. = tax your powers); give me ~ & I will pay; (colloq.) got there ~ (soon) enough to see him; gain ~, procure it esp. by temporizing measures. 4. Moment or definite portion of ~ destined or suitable for a purpose etc., as there is a ~ for everything, will fix a ~ for seeing him, now is the ~ to press your point, now is your ~ (opportunity), I must bide my ~, it is (HIGH) ~ to go, ~ for lunch, lunch~, it is ~ I was going (for me to go), in the NICK of ~, (for boxing-round etc.) is up, (umpire's call) ~!, is serving his ~ (as apprentice etc.), is doing ~ (in prison), is far on in her ~ (of gestation), is near her ~ (of childbirth), my ~ (death) is drawing near. 5. (Often pl.) conditions of life, prevailing circumstances, of a period, as hard, bad, good, ~s (esp. hard etc. to get a living in); had a good ~, enjoyed myself; those were (fine) ~s!; what a ~ (trouble) you will have getting him home! 6. Occasion, as the first ~ I saw him, wait till next ~, did it seven ~s running, have told you a dozen ~s, ~s out of number, ~ & again, many a ~, ~ after ~, for the last ~ of asking; three, four, etc. ~s (but twice, not two ~s) 9 is 27 etc., is three ~s the size of mine, ten ~s easier or as easy. 7. Past, present, future, ~, the portions into which all ~ may at any moment be accurately or loosely divided (esp., Gram., with reference to tenses). 8. (Amount of) ~ as reckoned by conventional standards, as the ~ allowed was four years, months, minutes, did a mile in record ~, astronomical (mean solar) ~, apparent (SOLAR) ~, SIDEREAL ~, esp. stated in hours & minutes of the day, as the ~ fixed was 4.30, what is the ~?, is that the correct (GREENWICH) ~?, at this ~ of day (fig., at this late stage in history, in the negotiations, etc.). 9. (mus.). Duration of a note as indicated by semibreve, minim, etc.; style of movement depending on number & accentuation of beats in a bar, as binary, ternary, ~ (with two, three, beats in bar), COMMON¹ ~; rate of execution, = tempo. 10. Against ~, with utmost speed, as working, riding, against ~; ahead of, (born) before, one's ~ or ~s, having notions too enlightened to

be appreciated or put into practice; all the ~, during the whole of the ~ referred to (they were laughing all the ~), "at all ~s (is a business man all the ~); at the same ~, simultaneously, notwithstanding, all the same; at ~s, now & then; at one ~, during a known but unspecified past period (at one ~ we met frequently); beat ~, indicate, follow, ~ of music with stick, hand, etc.; civil ~ (expressed by CIVIL year etc.); CLOSE¹ ~; from ~ to ~, occasionally; in ~, not late, early enough (to do, for thing), eventually, sooner or later, in accordance with, following, the ~ of music etc.; in no ~, rapidly, in the twinkling of an eye; keep ~, walk, dance, sing, etc., in ~, (of clock etc.) keep good, bad, ~, record ~ (in)accurately; mean ~ (regulated by average); one, two, etc., at a ~, each, each two etc., separately; out of ~, unseasonable, unseasonably, too late, (of singing etc.) not in ~; ~ immemorial or out of mind, (for, from) a longer ~ than anyone can remember or trace; the ~ of day, hour by clock, (colloq.) pass the ~ of day, exchange greeting etc. (with person), (sl.) so that's the ~ of day (the state of affairs, your little game, etc.); the ~ of one's life, a period of exceptional enjoyment or pleasant or unpleasant excitement (have the ~ of one's, give one the ~ of his, life); what ~ (poet.), while, when; The T~s, the newspaper so named, esp. (shall write to The T~s) as used by correspondents for ventilating grievances etc. 11. ~ball (dropped from top of staff at observatory to indicate fixed moment of mean ~); ~bargain, contract for sale of stock etc. at future ~ (often a form of gambling); ~bomb (designed to explode some ~ after being dropped or put in position); ~book, ~card, ~sheet (for recording workmen's hours of work); ~fuse (calculated to burn for or explode at given ~); ~honoured, venerable by antiquity; ~keeper, one who records ~ esp. of workmen, watch etc. is good, bad, ~keeper (keeps good, bad, ~); ~lag, interval of ~ between cause etc. & result or consequence; ~piece, ~measuring instrument esp. portable but stationary clock; ~server, one who, esp. for selfish ends, adapts himself to opinions of the ~s or of persons in power, so ~serving a. & n.; ~table, scheme of school work etc., table showing ~s of trains; ~work (paid for by ~, not piece-work). [OE tīma, cf. ON tími, Da. time, cogn. w. TIDE]

time², v.t. & i. Choose the time for, do at chosen time, as must ~ your blows, remark was ill, well, ~d; arrange time of arrival of, regulate rate of travelling of, (train etc.); ascertain the time taken by (race, runner, etc.), whence tim²an¹ (1, 2), tim²ing¹, an.; keep time, harmonize, with. [f. prec.]

time'lless (-ml-), a. (rare). Unending; untimely. [-LESS]

time'ly (-ml-), a. Seasonable, opportune. Hence ~NESS n. [-LY¹]

tim'ēś *Dēm'ōs ēt dēm'a ferēn'tēs*, phr. Inculcating or expressing distrust of a conciliatory enemy. [L. = I fear the Greeks, even when bringing gifts]

|| **time'ous** (-mus), **tim'ous**, a. (chiefly Sc.). Timely. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. TIME¹ + -OUS]

tim'id, a. Easily alarmed; shy. Hence or cogn. **timid** ITY, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L. *timidus* (timēre fear, -ID¹)]

timōc'racy, n. Form of government in which there is a property qualification for office. So **timocrāt'ic** a. [f. OF *tymocracie* f. med. L f. Gk *timokratia* (timē honour, worth, value, see -CRACY)]

tim'orous, a. Timid, easily alarmed. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L. *timor* fear f. timēre, -OUS]

tim'oth'y, n. (Also ~ *grass*) a fodder-grass. [T~ Hanson, who introduced it in N. America]

|| **timous**. See TIMEOUS.

tim'pan [ō, n. (pl. ~i pr. -ō). A kettle-drum. So ~IST n., one who plays the percussion instruments in an orchestra. [It., see *TYMPANUM*]

tin, n., & v.t. (-nu-). 1. White highly malleable metal taking high polish, little affected by atmosphere, & much used for cooking-utensils etc. esp. in form of ~ *plate* (sheet iron coated with ~); || vessel etc. of ~, esp. for preserving meat, fruit, etc., as *sardine*~; (attrib.) made of ~ or of iron covered with ~; (sl.) money; *cry of* ~, crackling sound it makes if bent; *salt of* ~, ~-*liquor*, solutions of ~ used as mordants by dyers etc. 2. ~ *fish* (Naut. sl.), torpedo; ~ *foil*, foil of ~ or ~-like alloy, used as wrapper for soap, tobacco, etc., (v.t.) cover or coat with this; ~ *god*, object of mistaken veneration; ~ *hat* (army sl.), modern soldier's steel helmet; ~ *Liezie*, nickname for Ford motor-car; || ~- *opener*, tool for opening ~s; ~-*plate* v.t., coat with ~; ~-*man*, ~-*smith*, worker in ~ plate, so ~-*ner* n.; ~-*pot* a. (derog.), cheap, inferior; ~-*stone*, principal ore of ~; ~-*ware*, vessels etc. of ~ or ~ plate; ~ *whistle* = *penny whistle*. Hence ~N^Y a. 3. v.t. Cover, coat, with ~; || pack (meat, fruit, etc.) in ~s for preservation. [OE, ON, Du., Da., cf. G *zinn*; not conn. w. L *stannum*, *stag*, whence F *étain*]

tin'amou (-ōb), n. S.-Amer. quail-like game-bird. [F, of S.-Amer. orig.]

tin'c'al, -kal, (-ngkl), n. Unrefined borax. [f. Malay *tingkal* f. Skr. *ṭāṇkapa*]

tinctor'ial, a. Of colour or dyeing, producing colour. [f. L. *tinctorius* (TINGE, -ORY) + -AL]

tin'cure, n., & v.t. 1. Alcoholic solution of *ginseng* (usu. vegetable) principle used in medicine, as ~ of *ginseng*; slight flavour,

spice, smack, (of thing, fig. of moral quality etc.); tinge (of colour); (Her.) inclusive term for the metals, colours, & furs in a coat of arms. 2. v.t. Colour slightly, tinge, flavour; (fig.) affect slightly (with quality). [(vb f. n.) f. L. *tinctoria* dyeing (as TINGE, see -URE)]

tin'dal, n. (India). Native petty officer of Lascars. [Malayalam *tanḍal*]

tin'der, n. Dry substance readily taking fire from spark, esp. charred linen etc. used in ~-*box* (containing ~, flint, & steel, for kindling fire); German ~, ~-*AMADOU*, Hence ~Y² a. [OE *tyndre* (-tendan kindle, cf. Da. *tænde*, Sw. *tända*)]

tine, n. Point, prong, e.g. of antler, harrow, or fork. Hence (-)TINED¹ (-nd) a. [OE *tind*, cf. ON *tindr*, Sw. *tinne*]

ting, n., & v.l. (Make) tinkling sound as of bell. [imit.]

tinge (-j), v.t., & n. 1. Colour slightly (with red etc.); (fig.) modify by mixture (with envy etc.). 2. n. Tint, slight colouring, flavour (lit. & fig.). [f. L. *tingere* tinct-dye, stain]

tingle (ting'gl), v.l. & t., & n. (Feel) prickling or stinging sensation; cause this, as *the reply ~d in his ears*; (rare) make (ear etc.) ~. [var. of TINKLE]

tink'er, n., & v.t. & i. 1. || Mender (esp. itinerant) of kettles, pans, etc. (*don't care a ~s damn or cuss*, at all); rough-&-ready worker, butcher; patching, botching, as *had an hour's ~ at it*. 2. Kinds of fish, bird, & seal. 3. vb. Repair (metal-work), patch (anything, lit. & fig., often up) roughly; work in amateurish or clumsy fashion at (thing) in the way of repair or alteration. Hence ~LY¹ a. [(vb f. n.) f. 13th c., etym. dub.]

tinkle (ting'kl), v.l. & t., & n. (Make) succession of clinking sounds; make (bell etc.) ~; (obs.) tingle. [(n. f. vb) f. obs. *tknk* to chink + -LE(3)]

tink'ler, n. In vbl senses, esp.: (sl.) small bell. [-ER¹]

tinnit'us, n. (med.). Ringing in the ears. [L. f. *tinnire* -it-, imit., cf. TING]

tinny. See TIN.

tin'sel, n., a., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Kinds of glittering metallic substance made in thin sheets & used in strips, threads, etc., to give sparkling effect; dress-fabric etc. adorned with ~; (fig.) superficial brilliancy or splendour. 2. adj. Showy, gaudy, cheaply splendid. 3. v.t. Adorn with ~ (lit. & fig.). [(a. & vb f. n.) f. MF *estincelle*, ét-, spark (for loss of é- cf. ticket) f. L. *scintilla* perh. corrupted to *stincilla*]

tint, n., & v.t. 1. A variety of a colour, esp. one made by diluting with white; (rare) tendency towards, admixture of, a different colour, as *red of or with a blue* ~; *autumn* ~s (of dying leaves); (Engrav.) set of parallel lines cut with ~-*tool* to give uniform shading; ~-*block*, block bearing design to be printed in faint colour as

background, ruled, crossed, ~, surface of this with parallel, crossing, lines. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to, colour. Hence ~LESS a. [f. It. *tinta* (as TINGE); earlier also *tinct* f. L.]

tint'er, n. Person who tints; instrument for tinting; magic-lantern slide of plain coloured glass. [-ER¹]

tintinnabülä'tion, n. Tinkling of bells. [f. foll. + -ATION]

tintinnab'ülum, n. (pl. ~a). Bell, esp. small tinkling one, whence ~AR(Y)¹, ~OUS, a.s.; rattle made of small bells or metal plates. [L. = bell, f. *tintinnare* redupl. form as TINNITUS]

tintöm'eter, n. Instrument for determining tints. [-METER]

tint'y, a. Discordantly tinted. [-Y¹]

tin'y, **teen'y** (nursery), a. Very small, as a ~ little boy, little ~ boy. [earlier *tine*, *tyne*, used as n. & adj., a bit, little, etym. dub.]

-tion, suf. of nn. of action or condition (= -t- of L p.p. stem + -ION, cf. -ATION), as *attention*.

tip¹, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Extremity, end, esp. of small or tapering thing, as the ~s of the fingers, walk on the ~s of your toes, ~ of a cigar, bird measures 15 in. from ~ (of one wing) to ~ (of other), had it on the ~ of my tongue, was just going to say it; kinds of brush used in gilding; small piece or part attached to end of thing, e.g. ferrule. 2. ~staff (hist.; pl. ~staves), (metal-tipped staff as badge of) sheriff's officer; ~titled, (of nose) turned up at ~; ~toe, (adv., also on ~toe) on the ~s of the toes, (v.l.) walk ~toe; ~top', (n.) highest point of excellence, (a. & adv.) first-rate. 3. v.t. Furnish with ~. [ME, Du., Da.]

tip², v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. (Cause to) lean or slant, tilt, topple, (over, up, etc.) esp. with slight effort. 2. Strike or touch lightly (~ & run, form of cricket in which batsman must run if bat touches ball; ~ & run raid, one in which the raider appears suddenly and makes off immediately after attacking). 3. Overturn, cause to overbalance, (person into pond etc.); discharge (contents of jug etc. out, into, etc.) thus. 4. (sl.). Throw lightly, hand, give, communicate, in informal manner, as ~ (throw) us a copper, ~ us your fin, shake hands, ~ us a song, a yarn, might have ~ped me the wink (given me warning wink); ~ off, give (person) warning, so ~ off n., a hint; (Sport.) give secret information about horse etc. to. 5. Make usu. small present of money to, as must ~ the porter, ~ped me (now rarely with) half-a-crown. 6. n. Small money present. 7. Secret information about horse-racing, money-market, etc., as will give you the straight (correct) ~; good dodge or recipe for doing something; miss one's ~, fail in one's object. 8. Slight

push; light stroke esp. in baseball. 9. Place where refuse is ~ped. 10. ~car, ~cart (pivoted for ~ping); ~cat, (game with) short piece of wood tapering at ends & struck with stick; ~up seat, of the kind used in theatres etc. to allow of free passing. Hence ~p'ER¹ (1, 2) n. [of doubtful & prob. various orig.]

Tipperär'y, n. Refrain specially associated with the B.F.F. of 1914. [It's a long way to ~, first wds of chorus]

tipp'et, n. Cape, muffler, of fur etc. covering shoulders & coming down to some distance in front, worn by women & as part of official costume by judges, clergy, etc. [f. 1300; prob. f. TIP¹ + -ET¹]

tipp'le, v.l. & t., & n. 1. Drink strong drink habitually; drink (liquor) slowly & repeatedly. 2. n. Strong drink. Hence **tipp'ler¹** n. [cf. Norw. *tipla* frequent. of *tippa* drip from tip]

tipp'y, a. (Of tea) containing a large proportion of 'golden tips' (leaf-buds). [TIP¹ + -Y¹]

tip'ster, n. One who gives tips about races etc. [-STER]

tipp's'y, a. Intoxicated; proceeding from, showing, intoxication, as a ~y lurch; ~y cake, sponge-cake soaked in wine & served with custard. Hence ~iry v.t., ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [prob. f. TIP², = inclined to lean, unsteady; for -sy of *trickery*]

tiräde, n. Long vehement speech esp. of censure; long passage of declamation etc. [F. = long speech, f. It. *tirata* drawing, pulling, f. It. & LL *tirare* draw, see -ADE]

tirailleur (-ralër, & see Ap.), n. Sharp-shooter, skirmisher. [F]

tire¹, v.t. & i. 1. Make or grow weary; am ~d, have had enough of, am sick of, (thing, doing), am exhausted with. Hence ~d'NESS (tifd-) n., also (rhet., poet.) ~less¹ (tifl-) [-LESS] a., ~lessly¹ adv. [OE *thorian*, *te-*; exol. E]

tire², || **tyre**, n., & v.t. 1. Band of metal, rubber, etc., placed round rim of wheel to strengthen it or prevent jar; PNEUMATIC ~. 2. v.t. Place ~ on (wheel). Hence (-)tired² (tifd), ~less² (tifl-) [-LESS], a.s. [prob. = foll.]

|| **tire³**, n., & v.t. (arch.). 1. Head-dress; attire. 2. v.t. Adorn, attire, as she ~d her head; ~woman (arch.), woman employed to dress another. [for ATTIRE]

tire'some (tif-), a. Tending to tire, fatiguing; tedious; annoying, as how ~! — I have left my watch behind. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [TIRE¹ + -SOME]

tir'ö, **tyr'ö**, n. (pl. ~s). Beginner, novice. [L (ti-) = newly levied soldier]

tirocin'ium, n. (pedant.). Apprenticeship, first rudiments of an art. [L. = first service of soldier (prec.)]

'tis (-z), contraction of *it is*.

tissue (-zän), n. = **PTIAN**. [F]

tiss'ue (-sh, -shä, -shöb), a. Any fine

woven fabric; (Biol.) substance of an organ, fabric formed of cells & cell-products, as *adipose*, *connective*, *muscular*, *nervous*, ~; (fig.) interwoven series, set, collection, (of lies, crimes, etc.); ~(-*paper*), thin soft unsized paper for wrapping or protecting delicate articles, engraving in book, etc. Hence (-*tiss*) *ued*² (-*süd*, -*shüd*) a. [f. F *tissu* woven (thing) f. **tistre* weave (mod. F *tisser*) f. L *texere*]

tit¹, n. 1. Kinds of small bird, including ~*lark* & ~*mouse* (both also called ~*ling*); *bearded*, *blue*, *cole*, *created*, *great*, *long-tailed*, *marsh*, ~. 2. (arch.). Small or poor horse; child, girl. [prob. imit. of littleness; cf. Icel. *tittr* pin, titmouse]

tit², n. ~ *for tat*, blow for blow, retaliation. [perh. = earlier *tip for tap*]

tit³, n. (colloq.). = **TEAT**.

Tit'an, n. (Gk Myth.) each of a gigantic race, the children of Uranus & Ge, (also) the sun-god, brother of Helios; *the weary* ~, British or other large empire (w. ref. to ATLAS); person of superhuman size, strength, intellect, etc., whence ~*ess*¹ n. So ~*esque*² (-*esk*), *titan*³ ic, aa. [L f. Gk]

titan¹ ium, n. A dark-grey metallic element. Hence *tit'anate*¹ (3) n. [prec. + -*ium*]

tit¹ bit¹, n. Delicate bit, choice morsel. [earlier *tidbit* f. dial. *tid* delicate, wanton]

tithe (-dh), n., & v.t. 1. Tax of one-tenth, esp. one payable in kind; || (often pl.) tenth part of annual proceeds of land (*predial* ~s) & personal industry (*personal* ~s) taken for support of clergy & church; || *mixed* ~s (from pigs, sheep, etc., fed on the land); || ~ *commissioners* (arranging commutation of ~s etc.); || ~ *pig*, tenth pig set apart for ~; (rhet.) tenth part, esp. *not a* ~ of. 2. v.t. Subject to ~s. Hence *tith*¹ **ABLE** (-dh-) a. [(vb OE *teóthian*) OE *teótha* (as *TEN*, see -*TH*²)]

tith¹ ing (-dh-), n. Taking tithe; (Hist.) ten householders living near together & bound over as sureties for each other's peaceable behaviour. [OE *teóthung* (*teóthian*, prec., -*ing*¹)]

Tit¹ ian (-shn), n. Venetian painter (d. 1576); one of his pictures; (attrib., esp. of hair) bright golden auburn. Hence ~*esque*² (-*shansek*) a., in the style of ~.

tit¹ il¹ iate, v.t. Tickle; excite pleasantly. So ~*ation* n. [f. L *titillare*, see -*ATE*¹]

tit¹ iv¹ ate, **tit**¹ i¹ -, v.t. & i. (colloq.). Adorn, smarten, (oneself etc.); adorn oneself. [earlier *tid*-, perh. f. *tidy* after *cultivate*]

tit¹ lark. See **TIT**¹.

tit¹ le, n. 1. Distinguishing appellation placed at head of chapter, poem, etc.; contents of ~-page of book, short essential part of these used in reference (e.g. *Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations*). 2. Formula at head of legal document, statute, etc.; division of statute etc. 3. Personal appellation, hereditary or not, denoting or implying office (e.g. *king*, *queen*, *judge*,

mayor, *rector*, *captain*) or nobility (e.g. *duke*, *marquis*, *earl*, *viscount*, *baron*, any of which exc. *duke* may be **COURTESY** ~ of son etc. of duke etc.) or distinction or merit (e.g. *baronet*, *knight*) (or usu. *degree*) qualification (e.g. *D.D.*, *M.A.*), or used in addressing or referring to person (e.g. *Lord*, *Lady*, *Sir*, *Mrs*, *Miss*, *Doctor*, *Professor*, prefixed to name; *your* or *her* or *his Majesty*, *Grace*, etc.). 4. (Law) right to ownership of property with or without possession, the facts constituting this, (also ~*deed*) legal instrument as evidence of right; just or recognized claim (*to*), service, merit, etc., that constitutes this. 5. Fineness of gold as expressed in carats. 6. Fixed sphere of work & source of income as condition to ordination. 7. (District attached to) parish church in Rome. 8. ~-*page*, page at beginning of book giving particulars of subject, authorship, publication, etc.; ~-*role*, part in a play that gives it its name (e.g. *Othello*). Hence ~*less* a. [OF, f. L *titulus*]

tit¹ led (-ld), a. Having title of nobility. [-*ed*¹]

tit¹ ling¹, n. See **TIT**¹. [f. ON *tittlingr* (as *TIT*¹, see -*ling*¹)]

tit¹ ling², n. Impressing of title in gold-leaf etc. on back of book. [-*ing*¹]

tit¹ mouse, n. (pl. ~*mice*). = **TIT**¹. [ME *titmōse* (*TIT*¹ + OE *mīse* ~, cf. Du. *mees*, G. *meise*)]

tit¹ r¹ iate, v.t. Determine quantity of given constituent in (compound) by observing quantity of a standard solution necessary to convert this constituent into another form. So ~*ation* n. [f. F *titre* **TITLE** + -*ate*¹]

tit¹ ter, v.i., & n. 1. Laugh, giggle, in restrained manner. 2. n. Such laugh. Hence ~*er* n. [imit.]

tit¹ tle, n. Particle, whit, esp. *not one jot* or ~. [ME, = stroke over word or letter, f. L as **TITLE**, cf. **TILDE**]

|| **tit**¹ tle bāt (-lb-), n. Stickleback. [corrupt.]

tit¹ tle-tattle, n., & v.i. Gossip. [redupl. f. *tattle*]

tit¹ up, v.i., & n. 1. Go along etc., move, conduct oneself, in lively or frisky fashion; || (Naut. etc. sl.) toss for drinks. 2. n. Spring, prance. Hence ~(*p*)¹ a. [perh. imit. of hoof-beat]

tit¹ ūbā'tion, n. (med.). Fidgetiness esp. as caused by nervous irritation. [f. L *titubatio* (*titubare* totter, see -*ATION*)]

tit¹ ūlar, a. & n. 1. Held by virtue of a title, as ~ *possessions*; existing, that is such, only in name, as ~ *sovereignty*; ~ *bishop*, (R.-O. Ch.) bishop bearing name of a former Christian see esp. in Mohammedan countries; ~ (*saint*), patron saint of church. 2. n. Holder of office etc. esp. benefice without corresponding functions or obligations. Hence ~*ly*² adv. [f. L as **TITLE** + -*ar*¹]

tif'yre-tū (-rā-), *n.* Member of gang of London street-ruffians in time of Charles II. [*Tityre, tu*, first wds of first eclogue of Virgil]

tmēs'is, *n.* (gram.). Separation of the parts of a word by intervening word(s) (e.g. *to us ward, what things soever*). [Gk *tmēsis* cutting 1. *temnō* cut]

T.N.T., **TNT**, *n.* = trinitrotoluene, -ol.

to¹ (before consonant *te*, before vowel or at end of clause *tōō*, emphat. *tōō*), *prop.*

1. In the direction of (place, person, thing, condition, quality, etc.; with or without the implication of intention or of arrival), *as was walking over to Bath, on his way to the station, fled to Rome, throw it to me, got to the house by four, to bed with you, flattered to the pavement, was committed to the flames, house looks to the south, held it to the light, to arms!, hand to hand, told him to his face, was carried to destruction, letter has come to hand, fell to work, fell to musing, tends or has a tendency to indolence, slow to anger, appointed to a post, born to a great fortune, all to no purpose, to his shame be it said*. 2. As far as, not short of, as true to the end, cut him to the heart, a Home-ruler to the core, fought to the last gasp, hit it to the boundary, correct to a hair's-breadth, suits him to a T, acted his part to perfection, might run to £5, drank himself to death, might argue to all eternity, & so on to the end of the chapter. 3. (Of comparison, ratio, adaptation, reference, etc.) *this is nothing to what it might be, 3 is to 4 as 6 is to 8, ten to one he will find it out, two to one is not fair play, not up to the mark, equal to the occasion, made to order, drawn to scale, not to the point, true to life, will speak to that question later, sang to his guitar, cannot do it to his liking; corresponding, compared, inferior, etc., to*. 4. (arch.). For, by way of, *as look her to wife, has a duke to his father-in-law*. 5. (Introducing indirect object of vb, recipient, possessor, etc., or person or thing affected by the action, quality, etc.; alternative constr. as shown) *lend it or them, or this etc., or your knife etc., to John or to him (also lend John or him this etc. or your knife or rarely it or them, lend it or rarely them him or rarely John, but not lend this etc., or your knife him, or John, nor lend to him or John it or them, nor in ordinary prose lend to him or John this etc. or your knife); write to me, explain it to me, apply to the secretary, seems to me absurd, to my mind or thinking, revelling to sane minds, pleasant to the taste, impervious to weather, obedient to command, unkind to him, has been a good father to them, what's that to you?, drink to me only with thine eyes, here's to you (your health), broken in to the saddle, accustomed to it, next door to us, ready to his hand, has not a shilling to his name, takes no wine to his dinner (arch.), there is a moral to it, there is no end to it;*

would to God (I wish it were or had been God's will) *that*. 6. (As sign of infinitive, expressing purpose, consequence, etc., limiting the meaning of adj., or merely forming verbal *n.*; omitted after *can, do, may, must, shall, will, & as shown*, cf. also *DARE, NEED, GO*) *he proposes to stay, declines to go, wants to know, began to sing (or began singing), fail to understand, does it to annoy, the matter is difficult to explain, it is useless to rebel (rebellion is useless), allow me to remind (but let me remind) you, was seen to fall (but I saw him fall), was heard to complain (but I heard him complain), floor was felt to tremble (but felt the floor tremble), was never known or found to fail, have sometimes known or found it (to) fail, make him repeat it, he was made (usu. to) repeat it, help me (to) lift this, please (to usu. omitted) shut the door, was pleased (though fit) to be angry, I prefer to go (but had rather go, had as lief go), had my work to do, had to do my work (but will not have you talk such nonsense), was about to protest, (arch.) he is much to seek (deficient) in that respect, (arch.) what went ye out for to see?, to wit¹. 7. (As substitute for infinitive) meant to call but forgot to, had no time to, you promised to. 8. Included, contained, or involved in (*that's all there is to it, it's that and no more*). [OE *tō* prep. & sign of gerund as distinct from infinitive, cf. Du. *te*, G *zu*]*

to² (*tōō*), *adv.* To the normal or required position or condition, esp. to a standstill, as *BRING, COME, FALL, GO, HEAVE, LIE², to; the door is to (just not shut); to & FRO*. [*f. proc.*]

toad, *n.* 1. Amphibian like frog but with clumsy & usu. warty body & not aquatic except when breeding; detestable or disgusting person. 2. ~ in a (or the) hole, beef baked in batter. 3. ~eater, sycophant, obsequious parasite, so ~eating *a. & n.*; ~flax, perennial plant with spurred yellow flowers marked with orange spot; ~'spit, = CUCKOO-spit; ~'stone, stone, occas. precious, supposed to resemble or to have been formed in body of ~, formerly used as amulet etc. [*f. G todies gestein* dead rock] kind of volcanic rock; ~stool, kinds of umbrella-shaped fungus. Hence ~ISH¹ *a.* [OE *tādige*, etym. dub.]

toad'y, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. = TOAD-eater. 2. *v.t.* Fawn servilely upon (person, or abs.). Hence ~ISH² *a.*, ~ISM *n.* [19th c. wd, perh. shortened *f. TOAD-eater*]

toast, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* 1. (Slice of) bread browned on each side esp. at the fire (anchovies etc. on ~, so served at table; have one on ~, sl., have him at one's mercy; as warm as a ~, glowing with warmth); (arch.) a ~, piece of ~ in cup of wine. 2. Person esp. woman whose health is drunk, thing, sentiment, similarly named in drinking, as *was a great*

~ in her day. 3. ~-list, ~-master, (person who announces) ~s at public dinner; || ~-rack (for holding slices of ~ at table); ~-water (in which ~ has stood, used as cooling drink; also ~ & water). 4. vb. Brown, cook, (bread, muffin, cheese, bacon, or intr. of these) before fire; warm (one's feet etc.) thus. 5. Drink to the health or in honour of. Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n. [(vb f. n.) ME *tost* f. OF *toster* vb f. L *tostus* p.p. of *torrere* parch; drinking sense of anecd. orig.]

toast'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~-fork, long fork for making toast, (joc., also ~-iron) sword. [-ING¹]

tobacc'o, n. (pl. ~s). 1. (Also ~-plant) plant of Amer. origin with narcotic leaves used for smoking, chewing, or snuff; its leaves esp. as prepared for smoking etc. (abbr. *baccy*). 2. ~-cutter, instrument for shredding ~; ~ heart, disorder of heart caused by excessive use of ~; ~-PIPE¹; ~-pouch (for carrying about small quantity of ~); ~-stopper, instrument for pressing down ~ in pipe. [f. Sp. *tabaco*, of native orig.]

tobacc'onist, n. Dealer in tobacco. [ir-reg. f. prec. + -ist; -n- perh. after *Platonist* etc.]

tobogg'an, n., & v.t. 1. Long narrow sled used for going downhill esp. over snow or ice; ~-shoot, ~-slide, slide for ~s, usu. divided into different courses to prevent collision. 2. v.t. Go in ~. Hence ~ER¹, ~-ING¹, nn. [of Amer.-Ind. orig.]

tob'y, n. Jug or mug usu. in form of old man with three-cornered hat (also *T~ Fillpot*); || ~ collar, broad turned-down goffered collar like the frill of Punch's dog T~. [pers. name]

tocca'ta (-kah-), n. (mus.). Kind of rapid brilliant composition for piano, organ, etc. [It., f. *locare* TOUCH, see -ADE]

Tôc H, n. Society with many branches carrying on comradeship from the 1914-18 war. [signallers' letter T, + H, for *Talbot House* started at Ypres in memory of Gilbert Talbot]

Tochār'ian (-k-), a. & n. (Of, in) an extinct Indo-European language. [f. *Tochari* a Scythian tribe (in Strabo)]

|| **tôch'er** (-y-), n. (Sc.). Marriage portion, dowry. [f. Gael. *tochar*]

|| **tôc'ô**, -kô, n. (sl.). A thrashing; chastisement. [f. Hind. *tôkô* imperat. of *tôkna* censure, blame]

tôc'sin, n. (Bell rung as) alarm-signal (now chiefly fig.). [f. OF *toquesse* f. Pr. *tocassenh* (tocar TOUCH + *senh* signal-bell f. L as sign)]

|| **tôd'**, n. (arch.). Bush; mass of foliage; weight for wool, usu. 28 lb. [f. 15th c.; cf. ON *toddi* piece, Du. *tod(d)e* rag, G *soffe* tuft]

|| **tôd'**, n. (dial.). Fox. [f. 12th c., etym. dub.]

today, to-day', adv. & n. (On) this

present day, as *saw* or *shall see him* ~, ~ is his birthday. [OE *to dæge* on (this) day (*tô* TO¹ + dat. of DAY); so *tonight*, *tomorrow*]

tôd'dle, v.t. & t., & n. 1. Walk with short tottering steps, as child learning to walk; make (one's way), perform (distance), thus; take casual or leisurely walk (*round, to, etc.*). 2. n. ~ing walk; (colloq.) ~ing child. Hence **tôdd'ler**¹ n. [f. 17th c., etym. dub.]

tôdd'y, n. Sap of some kinds of palm, from which when fermented arrack is obtained; sweetened drink of spirits & hot water. [f. Hind. *târi* (*târ* palm f. Skr. *tâla* palmyra)]

to-do' (-dôb), n. = ADO. [TO¹ + DO]

tôd'y, n. W.-Ind. bird related to kingfisher. [f. F *todier* f. L *todus*, a small bird]

tôe, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Digit of foot; part of stocking, shoe, boot, that covers the ~s. 2. Fore part of hoof; piece of iron under front of horseshoe to prevent slipping. 3. Projection from foot of buttress etc. to give stability; outer end of head of golf-club; (Mech.) lower end of vertical shaft resting in a step, arm on valve-lifting rod of steam-engine. 4. Ball (callous fleshy pad on under side) of ~; *great, little*, ~, largest, smallest, ~ of human foot; *tread* on person's ~s, offend his feelings or prejudices; *the light fantastic* ~, (joc.) dancing; (sl.) *turn up* one's ~s, die; *from top to* ~, from head to foot, completely; *heel-&-* ~-WALK¹; ~-cap, outer covering of ~ in boot or shoe; ~-drop, inability to raise ~s, from paralysed muscles; ~-nail, nail of human ~, metal nail driven obliquely through end of board etc. 5. vb. Furnish with ~s, mend ~ of, (stocking, shoe); (school sl.) kick (person etc.); touch (*the line, mark, scratch*) with ~ before starting in race (~ *the line*, fig., conform esp. under pressure to the requirements of one's party); (Golf) strike (ball) with part of club too near ~; ~ *in, out*, turn ~s in, out, in walking. Hence (-tôed) (**tôd**), ~LESS, aa. [OE & ON *td*, cf. G *Zehe*]

to-fall (tô'fawl), n. (arch., poet.). Close, decline, (of day etc.). [TO¹ + FALL]

|| **tôff**, n. (sl.). Distinguished person, swell. [perh. corrupt. of TUFF]

|| **tôff'ee** (-fi), -f'y, n. Kinds of sweetmeat made of sugar, butter, etc., as *almond* ~; *can't shoot* etc. for ~ (sl.), is no shot etc. (cf. TUFF). [earlier, & still Sc. & U.S., *taffy*, etym. dub.]

|| **tôft**, n. (law). Homestead; land once occupied by this; ~-man (hist.), occupier of ~. [OE, f. ON *toft*]

tôg, n., & v.t. (sl.; -gg-). 1. (Usu. pl.) garment(s); (Naut.) *long* ~s, shore-clothes. 2. v.t. Dress (person, oneself, often out). Hence ~g'ER¹(s) (-g-) n. [perh. f. foll.]

tôg'a, n. Ancient Roman's loose flowing outer garment, esp. w. allusion to Roman

citizenship, to civil career, or (also ~ *virtu's*, manly ~) to its assumption as sign of manhood (at age of 14). Hence ~'d, ~ED¹ (-ad), a. [L. cogn. w. *legere* cover]

togeth'er (-dh-), adv. In company or conjunction, as *walking ~, lived ~*; simultaneously, as *both ~ exclaimed*; compared ~ (one with another); into conjunction, so as to unite, as *sew them ~, tied ~*, GET, HANG¹, ~, put two & two ~; uninterrupted, on end (he would keep sober for weeks ~); ~ with, as well as, & also, as *sent a host of foot-soldiers ~ with some cavalry*. [OE *tôgdere* (tô To¹ + *gædre* together, cf. GATHER)]

|| **tôgg'er** (-g-), n. (Oxf. sl. for) TORPID n.

tôggle, n. (Naut.) pin put through eye of rope etc. to keep it in place etc.; pair of rods or plates hinged together by ~ joint (knee-joint) so as to transmit pressure at right angles; ~iron, harpoon with movable blade instead of fixed barbs; ~press (acting by means of ~ joints); ~rope (with wooden handle at one end & loop at the other). [perh. cogn. w. TUG & TANGLE¹]

toll¹, v.i., & n. 1. Work long or laboriously (at, on, through, task); move painfully or laboriously (up hill etc., along). 2. n. Labour, drudgery; ~worn (by ~). Hence ~RE¹, ~someness, nn., ~FUL, ~LESS (-l-l-), ~SOME, aa., ~FULLY¹, ~SOMELY¹, advv. [n. f. vb] prob. f. OF *tollier* mix, pester, prob. f. L *tudiculare*, stir up f. *tudicula* olive-bruising machine (*tudes* mallet f. *tundere* beat, -COLE)]

toll², n. (now only in pl.). Net, snare, (lit. & fig.), as *taken in the ~s*. [f. OF *toile* cloth, (pl.) toils, f. L *tela* web f. *texere* weave]

toile (twahl), n. ~ *cirée* (sêrâ'), fine kinds of oilcloth; ~ *côl'bert* (-bâr), canvas for embroidery; ~ *d'Alsace'* (-ahs), *de Vichy* (vêshê'), linen materials for woman's summer dress. [F, see prec.]

toll³, n. 1. Process of dressing, arranging the hair, etc., as *make one's ~*; (style of) dress, costume, as *an elaborate ~, a ~ of white satin*; (also ~table) dressing-table usu. with looking-glass; lavatory or water-closet; ~cover, cover for ~table; ~paper (for water-closet); ~powder, dusting powder used in making one's ~; ~set (of utensils for ~); ~soap (for use in ~); ~vinegar (aromatic kind for mixing with washing-water). 2. (med.). Cleansing of a part after operation. [F (-ette), orig. = cloth, clothes-bag, dim. of prec.] **toison d'or** (twahzawn' dôr'), n. = Golden FLEECE. [F]

Tokay', n. Rich aromatic wine made at Tokaj in Hungary; kind of grape.

|| **tôke**, n. (sl.). Food (esp. dry bread). [F] **tôk'en**, n. 1. Sign, symbol, evidence, (of affection etc.; often in ~ of); memorial of friendship, keepsake; ring, coin, etc.,

serving as proof of authenticity; **BOOK¹** ~. 2. (bibl.). Preconcerted signal (*Mark* xiv. 44). 3. (hist.). Piece of metal like & used instead of coin, but worth much less than nominal value & issued by tradesmen, bank, etc., without sanction of government. 4. (arch. or joc.). By (*this, the same*) ~, more by ~, in corroboration of what I say. 5. ~money, coins of higher nominal than intrinsic value but exchangeable for full-standard money at the higher rate; ~payment, (Polit.) payment of small proportion of sum due (esp. from one country to another) as indication that debt is not repudiated, (loosely) nominal payment; ~vote, Parliamentary vote of money in which the amount stated *pro forma* is not meant to be binding. Hence ~LESS a. [OE *tâc(e)n*, cf. Du. *teeken*, G *zeichnen*, ON *teikn*, cogn. w. TEACH]

|| **tôk'ô**. See TOCO.

tôl'a, n. Unit of weight in India, = 180 grains troy. (Hind., f. Skr. *tula*)

told. See TELL.

Toled'o, n. (pl. ~s). Fine sword(-blade) made at ~ in Spain.

tôl'erable, a. Endurable; fairly good, not bad, as *am in ~le health, had a ~le passage*. Hence ~LESS n., ~LY¹ adv. [F (-lê-), f. L *tolerabilis* (as foll., see -BLE)]

tôl'erâte, v.t. Endure, permit, (practice, action, person's doing); forbear to judge harshly or rigorously (person, religious sect, opinion); endure society of or intercourse with; sustain, endure, (suffering etc.), esp. (Med.) sustain use of (drug etc.) without harm. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE, ~ATOR¹, nn., ~ANT a., ~ANTLY¹ adv. [f. F *tolérer* f. L *tolerare*, -ATE¹]

tôl'erâ'tion, n. Tolerating; forbearance; recognition of right of private judgement in religious matters, liberty to uphold one's religious opinions & forms of worship or to enjoy all social privileges etc. without regard to religious differences, whence ~IST(2) n.; *Act of T~* (conditionally freeing Dissenters from some restrictions on the exercise of their forms of worship, 1689). [F (-lê-), f. L *tolerationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

tôll¹, n., & v.i. 1. Tax, duty, paid for use of market, public road, etc., or for service rendered; *road ~* (fig.), road casualties; (Law) || ~thorough (taken by town for use of highway, bridge, etc.), || ~traverse (for passing over private land); || grain retained by miller as compensation for grinding (still, fig., in *take ~* = abstract a portion of). 2. ~bar, ~gate, bar or usu. gate across road to prevent passage of person, vehicle, etc., without paying ~; || *toll' booth* (arch. Sc.), town gate for temporary structure for collection of market ~s & detention of those who did not pay & others); ~house (occupied by collector at ~gate). 3. v.i. Take, pay, ~.

[OE (also *toln*), cf. Du. *tol*, G. *zoll*, ON *tolr*, perh. f. L. f. Gk *telónion* ~house (*telos* tax)]

toll¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Cause (bell, or abs.) to ring with slow uniform strokes; (of bell or clock) give out (stroke, knell, hour of day), give out measured sounds, ring on account of (person, his death, etc.). 2. n. ~ing, stroke, of bell. [ME *tollen* draw, entice, etym. dub.]

toll'able, a. (Of person or goods) subject to toll. [TOLL¹ + -ABLE]

| **toll**'ly¹ **booth**. See TOLL¹.

toll'löl', a. (sl.). In fair state, so-so, middling. [f. *tol(erable)* w. redupl.]

| **toll**'y, n. (school sl.). Candle. [perh. f. TALLOW]

toll'téc, n. One of a race traditionally held to have ruled in Mexico before the Aztecs. Hence ~AN a. [Mex.]

tolu' (or **tô**'), n. Balsam got from a S.-Amer. tree & used in perfumery & medicine. Hence ~IC a., **tôl'**uén & **tôl'**uol nn., colourless inflammable liquid hydrocarbon of the benzene series, used in the preparation of dyes & T.N.T. [name of place]

tom, n. 1. (*Tom*) abbr. of *Thomas*; *Tom*, *Dick*, & *Harry*, persons taken at random, ordinary commonplace people. 2. Male animal, esp. ~(-cat). 3. *Long* ~ (Naut.), long gun esp. one carried amidships on swivel-carriage; *Old Tom*, strong kind of gin; **Tom & Jerry*, rum & water beaten up with eggs etc.; ~boy, romping girl, hoyden; ~fool', fool, trifter, (v.i.) play the fool, act in trifling manner (~fool'ery, foolish trifling, foolish knick-knacks etc.); *Tom Fool* (type of witlessness, esp. in proverb *there's more knows Tom Fool than Tom Fool knows* = notoriety is not honour); ~nodd'y, blockhead, fool; *Tom Thumb*, a legendary dwarf, any diminutive person, dwarf variety of various plants; *Tom Tiddler's ground*, children's game, place where money can be had for the picking up; || ~'tū', kinds of small bird, esp. titmouse.

tom'ahawk (-a-h-), n., & v.t. 1. War-axe of N.-Amer. Indian, with head of horn, stone, or steel; BURY the ~ or hatchet.

2. v.t. Strike, kill, with ~; criticize savagely in review. [of native orig.]

tomall'ey, -l'y, n. Soft greenish substance (called the liver) in lobster, used as sauce. [Carib]

toman' (-ahn), n. Persian gold coin. [Pers.]

tom'a'to (|| -ah-, *-ä-), n. (pl. ~es). (Plant with) red or yellow pulpy edible fruit; *currant* ~ (with small fruit about size of currant); *tree*~, kind that grows erect & sustains fruit without support. [f. Sp. *tomate* f. Mex. *tomatl*; formerly called *love-apple*]

tom'a (tôm), n., & v.t. 1. Hole (made) in earth or rock to receive dead (esp. human)

body, grave; subterranean or other vault for the dead; sepulchral monument; (fig.) the ~, death; ~stone, monumental stone placed over grave. 2. v.t. Enclose as or in or as in ~. Hence ~LESS a. [f. OF *tumba* f. LL *tumba* f. Gk *tumbos* sepulchral mound]

tôm'bác, -k, n. Kinds of copper-&-zinc alloy, used under various material for cheap jewellery. [F (-c), f. Malay *tambaga* copper]

tôm'bola, n. (In France & southern U.S.) kind of lottery with fancy articles for prizes. [It., prob. f. *tombolare* TUMBLE]

tôme, n. Volume, esp. large heavy one. [F, f. L. f. Gk *tomos* section f. *temnô* cut]

-**tone**, suf. f. (1) Gk *tomê* a cutting, or (2) -*tomos* cutting, (1) denoting section, segment, & (2) used in designations of surgical instruments (for corresponding operations in -**omy**).

tomén'tūrn, n. (Bot.) kind of pubescence composed of matted woolly hairs; (Anat.) flocculent inner surface of pia mater. Hence **tôm**'entosm¹, ~ous, aa. [L. = padding of wool etc.]

tômm'y, n. 1. (T~) familiar form of TOM; || T~ *Atkins*, the British soldier, whence T~ or ~ (sl.), private in army. 2. (mech.). Kinds of wrench or turn-screw, (also ~bar) short bar for working box-spanners. 3. Bread, provisions, esp. as given to workman in lieu of wages; this system of payment, truck system (now illegal); ~shop, (formerly) in which ~ was enforced, (now) shop in works where provisions may be bought, any baker's shop; || food carried by workmen. 4. ~-gun, sub-machine gun [f. inventor J. T. Thompson]; ~ ROT¹; soft ~ (Naut.), soft or fresh bread (cf. HARD tack). [-y¹]

tomô'rrow, to-mô'rrow, (-ô), adv. & n. (On) the day after today, as *will write* ~, (prov.) ~ never comes; (attrib.) ~ morning, afternoon, etc. (used as nn. & adv.; ~ week, eight days hence). [TO¹ + MORROW, cf. TODAY]

tôm'pion. Var. of TAMPION.

tôm'tôm, n., & v.i. (-mm-). 1. Native Indian drum; gong. 2. v.i. Beat ~. [f. Hind. *tamtam*, imit.]

-**tomy**, suf. = Gk *-tomia* -cutting (*temnô* cut), chiefly in names of surgical operations (*ana*~, *phlebo*~, *tracheo*~).

ton¹ (tūn), n. 1. Measure of weight, 2240 or *also short ~ 2000 lb. avoirdupois; metric ~, 1000 kilograms (2204.6 lb.). 2. Measure of capacity (often varying) for timber (40 ft), stone (16 cub. ft), salt (42 bushels), lime (40 bushels), coke (28 bushels), wheat (20 bushels), wine (see TUN), etc. 3. Unit of internal capacity (100 cub. ft) or carrying capacity (40 cub. ft) of ship. 4. (colloq.). Large number or amount, as *bag weighs (half) a ~* (several pounds, ounces, etc.), ~s of people, *he asked him ~s of times*. [var. of TUN]

ton² (tawh), n. Prevailing mode, fashion, as in *the ~*, *BON TON*. [F]

tôn'al, a. Of tone or tones; of tonality. Hence ~*LY*¹ adv. [f. med. L *tonalis* (TONE, -AL)]

tonal'ity, n. (Mus.) character of tone, key; colour scheme of picture. [-ITY]

|| **to-n'ame** (tōō-), n. (chiefly Sc.). Name added esp. to person's Christian name & surname for distinction. [OE *tō-nama* (TO¹, NAME)]

tôn'dō, n. (pl. -*dī* pr. -*dō*). Easel painting, or relief, of circular form. [It., = round (plate), f. L *rotundus* round]

tone¹, n. 1. Sound, esp. w. ref. to pitch, quality, & strength; *heart ~s*, sounds of heart heard in auscultation. 2. Modulation of voice to express emotion, sentiment, et c., as *impatient, lively, imploring, despondent, bantering, suspicious, ~*. 3. (gram.). Stress on one syllable of word. 4. (mus.). Musical sound, esp. with ref. to pitch, quality, & strength (FUNDAMENTAL ~); interval of major second, e.g. C-D, E-F sharp; *whole ~ scale*, consisting entirely of ~s, with no semitones; *Gregorian ~s*, traditional plain-song chants for psalms. 5. (med.). Proper condition of the bodily organs, state of health in which animal functions are duly performed, as *has lost, recovered, ~*. 6. Prevailing character of morals, sentiments, etc., as *the ~ of the nation must be raised, gave a flippant ~ to the debate*. 7. General effect of colour or of light & shade in picture; tint, shade of colour; degree of luminosity of colour; (Photog.) colour of finished positive picture. 8. ~*arm*, tubular arm connecting sound-box of gramophone to the horn; ~*poem*, musical composition for orchestra illustrating or translating a poetic idea, painting in which the ~s are harmonized poetically. Hence ~*LESS* (-nl-) a., ~*lessness* n. [f. F *ton* f. L f. Gk *tonos* thing stretched, tone, f. root of *teinō* stretch]

tone², v.t. & i. 1. Give tone or quality (of sound or colour) to (~*d paper*, esp. of pale amber tint). 2. (mus.). Adjust (part of instrument, e.g. padded surface of hammers of piano) so as to produce desired quality of sound. 3. (photog.). Give (picture), (of picture) receive, altered colour in finishing by means of chemical solution. 4. Harmonize (usu. intr.), as *does not ~ with the wallpaper*. 5. ~*down*, soften colouring of (picture), render (statement, expression, etc.) less pronounced or confident, (intr.) become softer, less pronounced, etc.; ~*up*, give, receive, higher tone or character or greater vigour. [f. prec.]

tōng, n. A Chinese guild or secret society. [Chin. *t'ang* meeting-place]

tōng'a (-ng-), n. Light two-wheeled vehicle used in India. [f. Hind. *tōngā*]

tōngs (-z), n. pl. (Also pair of ~) kinds of instrument for grasping & holding usu. with two limbs pivoted together near either end or connected by spring piece, as *fire-~* (for grasping coal etc.), *asparagus, sugar, blacksmith's, wire, LAZY, ~*; *HAMMER*¹ & ~; *would not touch* (repulsive person or thing) *with a pair of ~* (still less without). [OE *tang(e)* sing., cf. Du. & Da. *tang*, G *zange*, cogn. w. Gk *daknō* bite]

tongue¹ (tūng), n. 1. Fleishy muscular organ in the mouth, serving purposes of taste, mastication, swallowing, & (in man) of speech (*put out one's ~*, as grimace, or for doctor's inspection; *on the ~s of men*, much talked of; *furred or dirty ~*, symptom of illness). 2. This as article of food, as *ox-, sheep's, reindeer's, ~*; *smoked, rolled, ~*. 3. Faculty of, tendency in, speech, as *has a ready or fluent ~*, *sharp, caustic, dangerous, long* (talkative), ~; *put, speak with, one's ~ in one's cheek*, speak ironically, humour one's hearer; *keep a civil ~ in one's head*, avoid rudeness. 4. Language of a nation etc., as *the German ~*, *one's mother ~*; *gift of ~s*, power of speaking in unknown ~s esp. as miraculously conferred on early Christians; *confusion of ~s* (Gen. xi. 1-9). 5. Thing like ~ in shape (esp. tapering) or function, e.g. long low promontory, strip of leather closing gap in front of shoe, clapper of bell, pin of buckle, projecting edge of MATCH¹-board, slip connecting two grooved boards etc., index of scale or balance, vibrating slip in reed of some musical instruments, jet of flame, pointed rail in railway-switch. 6. *Have lost, find, one's ~*, be too bashful, recover power of speech; *give or throw ~*, (of hounds) bark esp. on finding scent; *hold one's ~*, be silent; *on the TIP*¹ of one's ~; *wag one's ~*, talk indiscreetly or volubly; ~*bit* (with plate preventing horse from getting ~ over mouthpiece); ~*bone*, = HYOID; ~*tie*, impediment in speech due to shortness of frænum of ~, ~*tied*, having this, (fig.) debarred from speaking out. Hence (-) **tongued**² (tūgd), ~*LESS*, aa., ~*LE* n. [OE *tunge*, cf. ON & Sw. *tunga*, Du. *tong*, G *zunge*, cogn. w. L *lingua*, OL *dīngua*]

tongue² (tūng), v.t. & i. 1. Produce staccato etc. effects with (flute etc.) by use of tongue, use tongue thus; ~ & *groove*, furnish (MATCH¹-board etc.) with tongue & groove. [f. prec.]

tōn'ic, a. & n. 1. (Of medicine, medical treatment, etc., fig. of success, misfortune, punishment) serving to invigorate, bracing; (Mus.) of tones, esp. of the keynote; ~ *accent*, stress on syllable; ~ *sōl-fa'* (-ah), system of sight-singing & notation in which keynote of all major keys is *doh* (& other notes correspondingly, as *ray, me, fah, sol, lah, te*) & keynote of all minor keys *lah* (& other

notes correspondingly, as *te, doh*, etc.), with time-values shown by vertical lines, colons, etc.; ~ *spasm*, continuous muscular contraction (cf. *CLONIC*). 2. n. ~ medicine etc. (lit. & fig.); (Mus.) keynote. Hence *tôn'ically* adv. [f. Gk *tonikos* (as *TONN*¹, see -IC)]

tôn'icity, n. Tone; being tonic; healthy elasticity of muscles etc. [-ITY]

tonight, **to-night**, (-nit), adv. & n. (On) the present night, (on) the night of today. [TO + NIGHT, cf. *TODAY*]

tôn'ish, **tonn-**, a. (now rare). In the *TON*², modish, stylish. Hence ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

tôn'ite, n. A powerful gun-cotton explosive. [f. L *tonare* thunder + -ITE¹]

|| **tônk**, v.t. (sl.). Hit (bowling, person) hard; defeat easily in contest. [f]

Tônk'a bean, t-, n. Fragrant seed of a tree found in Guiana etc., used in perfumery etc. [native *tonka*, the bean]

to'nnage (tū-), n. Internal cubic capacity, or freight-carrying capacity, of ship in *TON*'s; total freightage esp. of a country's merchant marine; duty on vessels formerly reckoned on ~, now on registered size; charge per ton on cargo or freight; ~ & *poundage* (hist.), customs duties on the tun of wine & the pound's worth of merchandise imported or exported, granted as subsidies (orig. for the defence of the realm) at intervals in the 14th-18th cc. & levied unconstitutionally by Charles I without consent of Parliament; ~-*deck* (upper of two, second of three or more). [*TON*¹, -AGE]

tôn'n'au (-nō), n. Part of some motor-cars that contains the back seats. [f, lit. cask, tun]

-to'nn'er (tū-), n. Vessel of so many tons, as *two-thousand-*~. [-ER¹]

tonôm'èter, n. Tuning-fork or other instrument for measuring pitch of tones. [as *TONN*¹ + -METER]

tôn'sil, n. Either of two oral organs on each side of the fauces. Hence *tôn'sillar*¹ a., *tôn'sillar*'s n. [f. L *tonsillae* pl.]

tôn'sor'ial, a. (joc.). Of a barber or his work. [f. L *tonsorius* (*tondère tons*- shave, see -OR¹) + -AL]

tôn'sure (-sher), n., & v.t. 1. Rite of shaving the crown (R.-C. Ch.) or whole head (Gk Ch.) of person entering priesthood or monastic order; bare part of monk's or priest's head; (fig.) admission to holy orders. 2. v.t. Shave head of, give ~ to. [f. L *tonsura* (as prec., see -URE)]

tëntine' (-èn), n. Annuity shared by subscribers to loan, the shares increasing as subscribers die till last survivor gets all; ~ *policy of insurance* (in which associated policy-holders agree to receive no dividend, return-premium, etc., till end of fixed period called ~ *period*). [f. It. *fontina* (Lorenzo Toni, originator of ~s about 1858)]

tôn, adv. & a. 1. In a higher degree than is

admissible for a specified or understood purpose, standard, etc. (not used to qualify vb, cf. *VERY*), as ~ *ripe for cooking*, ~ *good to be true*, *allows ~ long an interval*, ~ *long intervals*, ~ *large for me*, *my taste*, *my purpose*, is ~ *fond of comfort*, ~ *MARY for*; ~ *much* (of a good thing), intolerable (*this is really ~ much* or ~ *much of a good thing*). 2. (In affected or gushing use) is quite ~, is ~~, (*delightful* etc., often omitted). 3. Also, as well, as *take the others ~*, *mean to do it ~* (as well as threaten). 4. Moreover, as *achieved*, ~, at *small cost*. 5. adj. ~~, gushing. [= *TO*¹]

took. See *TAKE*.

tôol¹, n. 1. Mechanical implement, as *carpenter's*, *joiner's*, *gardener's*, *engraver's*, *mason's*, ~s; (pl.) implements & munitions of war; machine used in making machinery, e.g. *latho*. 2. (fig.). Thing used in an occupation or pursuit, as *literary ~s*, *the ~s of one's trade*; person used as mere instrument by another, *cat's-paw*. 3. Separate figure in tooling of book. 4. *Broad ~*, = *TOOLER*; *EDGE*¹-, *edged*, ~; ~-*holder*, device for holding ~ in lathe, handle for use with different ~s; ~-*post*, ~-*rest*, holder or support for cutting ~ in lathe. [OE *tōl*, cf. ON *tōl* pl., OE *tawian* prepare, Goth. *tawjan* make, cause]

tôol¹, v.t. & i. Dress (stone) with chisel; ornament (edges of book-cover) with tooling; work with ~; (sl.) drive (coach etc.), (intr.) drive, ride, (often *along* etc.) esp. in casual or leisurely manner. [f. prec.]

tôol'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: stone-mason's broad chisel for tooling. [-ER¹]

tôol'ing, n. Stone-dressing in parallel lines; ornamentation of edges of book-cover with designs impressed by heated tools (*blind ~*, without gliding). [-ING¹]

tôon, n. E.-Ind. tree with close-grained red wood much used for furniture etc. [f. Hind. *tun*]

tôot, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Sound, esp. produce harsh or dismal sound with, (horn, cornet, whistle, etc.); sound horn etc. thus; (of horn etc.) give out such sound; (of grouse) call. 2. n. Sound of horn, trumpet, etc. [imit., cf. G *tuten*, Du. *tuyten*]

tôoth, n. (pl. *teeth*), & v.t. & i. 1. Each of several hard dense structures growing in jaws of vertebrates & used for mastication; CANINE, EYE¹-, INCISOR, MILK¹-, MOLAR¹, WISDOM, ~; *false*, *artificial*, ~ (made by dentist). 2. ~-shaped projection or thing, e.g. cog, point, etc., of gear-wheel, saw, comb, rake. 3. SWEET ~: cast thing in person's teeth, reproach him with it; *in the teeth of*, in spite of (opposition etc.), in opposition to (directions etc.), in the face of (the wind etc.); *armed to the teeth* (completely, elaborately); *cut one's eye-teeth*, gain worldly wisdom; *escape by the skin of one's teeth* (narrowly); *fight, struggle*, ~ & *nail* (with utmost effort);

from the teeth outwards (arch.), insincerely, not from the heart; *LIE*² in one's *teeth*; *long in the ~*, old (orig. of horses; from recession of gums with age); *set one's teeth on EDGE*¹; *show one's teeth*, take threatening tone; *take the BIT*¹ *between one's teeth*. 4. *~ache*, ache in ~; *~billed*, (of bird) having *~like* process(es) on cutting edges of bill; *~brush* (for cleaning teeth); *~comb* (with fine close-set teeth); *~ornament*, = *DOG*¹ ~; *~paste*, *powder*, (for cleaning or preserving teeth); *~pick*, small sharp instrument of quill, wood, gold, etc., for removing matter lodged between teeth. 5. vb. Furnish with teeth; (of cog-wheels) interlock. Hence (-) *~ED*² (-thd), *~LESS*, aa., *~LET* n. [OE *tōth*, cf. Du. *taand*, G *zahn*, L *dens*-ntis, Gk *odous*-ontos, f. root *ed*-EAT]

tooth'ful (-fōl), n. Small draught of spirit etc., thimbleful. [-FUL]

tooth'ing, n. In vb. senses, esp.: projecting bricks or stones left at end of wall to provide for continuation; *~plane* (with serrated edge for roughening surface). [-ING¹]

tooth'some, a. Pleasant to eat. Hence *~LY*² adv., *~NESS* n. [-SOME]

too'tle, v.i. Toot gently or repeatedly esp. on flute. [-LE(3)]

toot'sy(-wootsy), n. (nursery). Foot. [f]

tōp¹, n. & a. 1. Summit, highest part, as *~ of a hill*, *hill~*, *at the ~ of the tree* (fig., of highest rank in profession etc.); *come to the ~*, win distinction; *on ~*, above; *on the ~ of*, in addition to. 2. Leaves etc. of plants grown for the root, as *turnip~*. 3. Surface (of ground), upper surface (of table etc.). 4. Upper part of shoe; cover of carriage; lid of saucepan etc.; head (of page in book); upper edges of book, as *gilt ~*. 5. (Person occupying) highest rank, foremost place, as *came out (at the) ~ of the school*, *the ~ (upper end, head) of the table*. 6. Utmost degree, height, as *realized the ~ of my ambition*, *called at the ~ of his voice*, *ran at the ~ of his speed*; crown of the head, as *from ~ to toe*; *the ~ of the morning (to you)*, Irish morning greeting. 7. (naut.). Platform round head of lower mast serving to extend *~mast* shrouds, as *main~*, *fore~*, *mizzen~*. 8. pl. Two highest cards of a suit in Bridge. 9. (In motoring) highest gear (usu. *on ~*). 10. pl. Metal buttons plated etc. only on face. 11. Bunch of hair, fibres, etc., esp. as measure = 1½ lb. 12. adj. Highest in position or degree, as *the ~ rail*, *at ~ speed*, *~ dog* (sl., = victor, master, opp. *under dog*), whence *~MOST* a. 13. *~boot* (also *~*), boot with high ~ usu. of different material or colour & made to look as if turned down; *~coat*, overcoat; *~dress*, apply manure on the ~ of (earth) instead of ploughing it in; *~dressing*, this process, manure so applied; *~gall'ant* (tōp-got-), mast, sail, yard, rigging, immedi-

ately above *~mast* & *~sail*; *~hamper*, light upper sails & rigging; *~hat*, tall silk hat; *~heavy*, overweighted at *~* so as to be in danger of falling (often fig. of scheme etc.); *|| ~hole* (sl.), first-rate; *~knot*, knot, bow of ribbon etc., tuft, crest, worn or growing on head; *~lantern*, *~light*, light displayed from mizzen~ of flagship; *~man*, *~sawyer* (lit.), (Naut., also *~s'man*) man doing duty in a ~; *~mast* (-ast) (next above lower mast); *~sail* (-sl), square sail next above lowest; *~saw'yer*, sawyer in upper position in saw-pit, (fig.) person in superior or high position; *~sides*, sides of ship above water-line. [OE, Du., Da., cf. ON *toppr*, G *zopf* tuft, tree-top]

tōp¹, v.t. (-pp-). 1. Provide with top or cap; (Naut.) raise one end of (yard etc.) above the other. 2. Remove top of (plant) to improve growth etc. 3. Reach the top of (hill etc.). 4. Be higher than; be superior to, surpass, as *~s all I ever saw*, whence *|| ~P'ING*¹ a., *~P'INGLY*¹ adv.; *~ one's part*, act or discharge it to perfection. 5. (golf). Hit (ball) at top instead of true. 6. *~ off* or *up*, put an end or a finishing touch to (thing, or abs.); *~ up*, (also) fill up (partly empty container). 7. Be of (specified height), as *he ~s 6 ft.* 8. *~ping-lift*, rope from lower mast-head to end of boom (for raising it). [f. prec.]

tōp¹, n. Kinds of wooden or metal toy, usu. conical, spherical, or pear-shaped, rotating on sharp point at bottom when set in motion by hand, spring, or string; HUMMING, PEG, WHIP¹ping or whip, *~*, SLEEP¹ like a ~ (sound); *old ~* (sl.), old chap, old fellow; *~shell*, kinds of shell-fish with *~shaped* shell. [cf. MHG *topf*, MLG *doppe*]

tōp'az, n. 1. A transparent or translucent mineral, a silicate of aluminium, yellow, white, green, blue, or colourless; *false ~*, kind of yellow quartz. 2. Kind of humming-bird. [f. OF *topaze* f. L f. Gk *topazos*, -zion, etym. dub., cf. Skr. *tapas* fire, *tap* shine]

topāz'olite, n. Yellow or green kind of garnet. [prec. + -o- + -LITE]

tōpe¹, v.i. Drink alcoholic liquors to excess esp. habitually. Hence **tōp'er**¹ n. [perh. f. F *tōper* cover stake in dicing, whence (je) *tōpe*! int. agreed!, done!, (in drinking) I pledge you]

tōpe¹, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Mango or other grove. [f. Tamil *tōppu*]

tōpe², n. Buddhist monument, usu. dome or tower. [f. Hind. *tōp* f. Skr. *stūpa* mound]

tōpe³, n. Small species of shark, dogfish. [f]

tōph, **tōph'us** (pl. -phs), nn. Gouty deposit of calcareous matter round teeth & at surface of joints. Hence **tōph'aceous** (-sh'us) a. [L (-us), = sandstone, tufa]

Tōph'ēt, n. Place in Valley of Hinnom near Jerusalem used for idolatrous worship & later for depositing refuse, for consumption of which fires were kept burning; hell. [f. Heb. *topheth* etym. dub.]

tōp'i, **tōp'ee** (-i), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Hat (see SOLA). [Hind. *topi*]

tōp'ta, n. Ancient-Roman style of mural decoration with heterogeneous landscape scenes. [L, = landscape gardening or painting, f. Gk *topos* place]

tōp'iar[y], a. *The ~y art* (of clipping shrubs etc. into ornamental shapes). Hence **tōpiār'ian** a., ~IST n. [f. L *topiarius* landscape gardener (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

tōp'ic, n. Theme for discussion, subject of conversation or discourse; (Logic, Rhet.) class of considerations from which arguments can be drawn. [f. L f. Gk (*ta*) *topika* topics, as title of a treatise of Aristotle (*topos* place, see -IC)]

tōp'ical, a. Of topics; dealing with esp. current or local topics, as ~ *allusion*, *song*; local, esp. (Med.) affecting a part of the body. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

tōpōg'raph[y], n. Detailed description, representation on map etc., of natural & artificial features of a town, district, etc.; such features; (Anat.) mapping of surface of body with reference to the parts beneath. Hence ~ER¹ n., **tōpōg'raph'ic**(AL) aa., **tōpōg'raph'ical**LY² adv. [f. LL f. Gk *topographia* (*topos* place, see -GRAPHY)]

tōpōn'yim'y, n. Study of the place-names of a region. [f. Gk *topos* place, *onoma* name, -Y¹]

tōp'p'er, n. In vbl senses, also: (colloq.) =TOP¹ *hat*; (colloq.) a good fellow, good sort; (commere.) fine fruit etc. put at top of stock for show. [f. TOP¹ + -ER¹]

tōp'ple, v.i. & t. (Cause to) totter & fall (often over, down). [f. TOP¹ + -LE(3)]

tōpsyturv[y], adv., a., n., & v.t. 1. Upside down; (in) utter confusion. 2. v.t. Turn ~y. Hence (joc.) ~YDOM, ~YFICATION, nn., ~YFY v.t. [f. 16th c. etym. dub.; prob. containing TOP¹ + obs. *terve* overturn cogn. w. OE *tearflan* turn, roll over]

tōque (-k), n. 1. Small kinds of man's & woman's cap or bonnet (hist.); woman's small hat with little or no or turned-up brim. 2. Kinds of monkey with caplike arrangement of hair. [F, cf. It. *tocca*, Sp. *toca*]

tōr, n. Hill, rocky peak, esp. on Dartmoor. [OE, cf. W *twr* heap]

-**tor**, suf. forming agent nn. on L p.p. stems in -t- (*doctor*, *narrator*); see -OR¹

tōr'ah, n. Revealed will of God, esp., Mosaic law; Pentateuch. [Heb. *torah* instruction]

tōrch, n. Piece of resinous wood or twisted wax etc. soaked in tallow etc. for carrying lighted (~ of Hymen, passion of love); other appliance for this purpose, e.g.

oil-lamp on pole; *electric ~*, portable electric lamp; ~-*flashing*, (also ~ING¹ n.) mode of catching fish by ~light; ~-*race*, ancient-Greek festival performance of runners handling lighted ~es to others in relays; ~-*singer*, woman who sings ~-*songs* (sentimental ditties of unrequited love); *hand on the ~*, keep knowledge etc. alive (w. ref. to ~-*race*). [f. F *torche* perh. ult. f. L *torquere* *tor*-twist]

torchon (see Ap.), n. attrib. ~ *paper*, paper with rough surface used esp. for water-colours; ~ *board* (covered with ~ paper); ~ *mat*, MAT² of ~ paper; ~ *lace*, peasants' bobbin lace with geometrical designs. [F, = dish-cloth (*torchon* wipe)]

tor¹. See TEAR¹.

tor². =TORUS (first sense).

tō'reador', n. Spanish (usu. mounted) bullfighter. [Sp. (*torrear* engage in bullfight f. *toro* bull f. L *taurus*, see -OR²)]

toréut'ic (-rōb-), a. & n. 1. Of chasing, carving, & embossing, esp. metal. 2. n. pl. This art. [f. Gk *toroutikos* (*torcuō* bore, chase, see -IC)]

tōrg'ōch (-x), n. Red-bellied char. [W (*tor* belly + *coch* red)]

torii (tō'riē, tō'r'io), n. Gateway of Shinto temple. [Jap.]

tōrm'ent¹, n. Severe bodily or mental suffering, as *was in ~*, *suffered ~s*; source of this, as (colloq.) *the child is a positive ~*. [OF, f. L *tormentum* engine for hurling stones, rack, torment, (*torquere* twist, see -MENT)]

tōrm'ent², v.t. Subject to torment, as ~ed with *neuralgia*, *suspense*, *inquiries*. Hence ~ingly² adv. [f. OF *tormenter* (prec.)]

tōrm'entil, n. Low herb with bright yellow flowers & highly astringent root-stock used in medicine. [f. med. L *tormentilla* f. *TORMENT*¹; sense-connection unknown]

tōrmén'tor, n. Person, thing, that torments, whence ~RESS¹ n.; long fork used on ship for taking meat from coppers; kind of harrow on wheels. [-OR²]

tōrm'ina, n. Gripping pains in bowels, colic. [L *torquere* twist]

tor. See TEAR¹.

tōrnād'ō, n. (pl. ~es). Violent storm of small extent, esp. in W. Africa at beginning & end of rainy season & in U.S. from April to July, having usually a rotary motion, & often accompanied by funnel-shaped cloud; (fig.) outburst or volley of cheers, hisses, missiles, etc. Hence **tōrnād'ic** a. [perh. assim. of Sp. *tronada* thunderstorm (*tronar* to thunder) to Sp. *tor*nar to turn]

tōr'ous, **tōrōse'**, aa. (Bot.) cylindrical with bulges at intervals; (Zool.) knobby. [f. L *torosus* (TORUS, see -OSA¹, -OUS)]

tōrpéd'ō, n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. 1. Electric ray, a fish with electric apparatus for numbing or killing its prey etc. 2. Kinds of explosive mine or petard; cigar-shaped

self-propelling submarine missile that can be aimed at a ship etc. & explodes on touching it (*aerial* ~, discharged from aircraft); ~boat, small fast warship for carrying or discharging ~es; ~(-boat)-catcher, ~gunboat, large vessel intended to catch ~boat; (~boat) destroyer, small fast warship orig. designed to destroy ~boats & carry ~es, later used esp. for fleet & convoy anti-submarine escort as well as for general offensive purposes; ~net (hung round ship to intercept ~es or ~boat); ~tube (from which ~es are discharged). 3. v.t. Destroy, attack, with ~; (fig.) paralyse, make (policy, institution, etc.) ineffective. [(vb f. n.) L, = ~fish (*torpère* be numb)]

törp' [id. a. & n. 1. (Of hibernating animal) dormant; numb; sluggish, dull, apathetic. 2. n. pl. || Hilary term boat-races at Oxford between second crews of colleges; (sing.) boat rowing in these. Hence or cogn. ~id'ITY, ~idNESS, ~OR¹, nn., ~idLY³ adv., ~IDY v.t., ~ORID'IC a. [f. L *torpidus* (prec., -ID¹)]

Törps, n. (nav. sl.). Ship's torpedo officer. [abbr.]

törq'uâte, -âtéd, aa. (zool.). With ring of peculiar colour or texture of hair or plumage about the neck. [f. L *torquatus* (foll., -ATE³)]

torque (-k), **törç**, n. Necklace of twisted metal, esp. of Gauls; (Mech., -que) twisting-moment. [f. L *torques* necklace, as TORT]

tör'rëffy, v.t. Parch with heat, roast, dry, (metallic ores, drugs). So ~FAC'TION n. [f. F *torréfier* f. L *torrefacere* (*torrère* parch, see -RY)]

tör'rënt, n. Rushing stream of water etc.; (pl.) great downpour of rain (also rain falls in ~s); (fig.) violent flow (of abuse, grief, questions). Hence **tör'rënt'IAL** (-shl) a., **tör'rënt'ially**³ adv. [F, f. L *torrentem* lit. boiling stream (*torrère* parch, see -ENT)]

Törricëll'ian, a. ~ experiment (with mercury in tube, leading to principle on which barometer is made); ~tube (used for this). [E. *Torricelli* d. 1647 + -AN]

tör'rid, a. (Of land etc.) parched by sun, very hot; ~sone, part of earth's surface between tropics. Hence ~ITY (-id⁴), ~NESS, nn. [f. L *torridus* (*torrère* parch, see -ID¹)]

tör's'el, n. Twisted ornament e.g. scroll; block of wood in brick wall for joist etc. to rest on. [prob. var. of FASSEL]

tör'sion (-shn), n. Twisting; (Bot.) state of being spirally twisted, so **tör'sive** a.; (Med.) twisting of out end of artery after operation etc. to check haemorrhage; ~balance (for measuring minute forces by means of fine twisted wire). Hence ~AL, ~LESS, aa., ~ALLY³ adv., (-sho-). [F, f. LL *torzionem*, -ti (as TORT, see -ION)]

törëk, n. Fish of cod family. [Sw. & Da.]

törë's, n. (pl. ~s). Trunk of statue apart

from head & limbs; human trunk; (fig.) unfinished or mutilated work. [It., = stalk, stump, torso, f. *TRUSSUS*]

tört, n. (law). Private or civil wrong. [F, = wrong, harm, f. L *torquere* tort-twist]

törticöll'is, n. (path.). Rheumatic affection of muscles of neck, stiff neck. [f. L as prec. + *collum* neck]

tört'ile, a. Twisted, curved; (Bot.) coiled. Hence **tört'il'ITY** n. [f. L *tortilis* (TORT, -ILE)]

tört'i'lla (-šlyä), n. Flat maize cake, Mexican equivalent of bread. [Sp.]

tört'ious (-shus), a. (law). Constituting a tort, wrongful. Hence ~LY³ adv. [AF *torcious* (TORSION, -OUS), assoc. in sense w. tort]

tört'oise (-tus), n. 1. Land (& freshwater) varieties of turtle, reptile encased in two scaly or leathery shields forming a box; ALLIGATOR ~; (Rom. Ant.) = TESTUDO. 2. Hare & ~, ability beaten by persistence; ~shell, mottled & clouded outer shell or scale of some sea-turtles used for combs etc., ~shell cat, butterfly (with black & yellow markings suggesting ~shell). [ME *tortue*, *tortu* (thr. OF *tortue*), f. LL *toruua* (perh. as TORT, w. ref. to ~s crooked feet)]

tört'uous, a. Full of twists or turns, so **tört'uous¹** a. (bot.); (fig., of policy etc.) devious, circuitous, crooked, not straight-forward. Hence or cogn. **tört'uous²ITY**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY³ adv. [AF, f. L *tortuosus* (*tortus* -us twist, foll., -OUS)]

tört'tur, n. & v.t. 1. Infliction of severe bodily pain e.g. as punishment or means of persuasion, as was put to the ~e, *instruments* of ~e (rack, thumbscrew, etc.); severe physical or mental pain. 2. v.t. Subject to ~e, as ~ed with neuralgia, tight boots, anxiety; (fig.) force out of natural position or state, pervert meaning of (words, passage). Hence ~ABLE, ~OUS, aa., ~ER¹ n., ~INGLY³ adv. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *tortura* twisting (*torquere* tort-twist, see -TORS)]

tör'rül'a, n. (pl. ~aes). Kinds of yeastlike fungus; chain of spherical bacteria, whence ~IFORM a.; (Bot.) small torus. [mod. L dim. of TORUS]

tör'us, n. (pl. -ri). Large moulding of semicircular profile esp. as lowest member of base of column; (Bot.) receptacle of flower, modified end of stem; (Anat.) smooth ridge as of muscle. [L, = protuberance, bud]

Tör'y, n. & a. (now chiefly in colloq. or hostile use). (Member) of the party that opposed the exclusion of the Duke of York (James II), inclined to the Stuarts after 1689, accepted George III and the established order in Church & State, opposed Reform Bill of 1832, & has been succeeded by Conservative party (cf. whigs). Hence ~ISM n. [orig. = Irish

robber, f. Ir. *tóraidhe* pursuer (*tóir* pursue)]

-tory, suf., most freq. form of -ORY, in wds f. L vbs w. p.p. stem in -t- (*amatory*, *factory*).

tósh, n. (sl.). Rubbish, twaddle; (Cricket, lawn tennis, etc.) easy bowling or service. [?]

|| tósh'er, n. (sl.). Unattached student (see UNATTACHED). [corrupt.]

tóss, v.t. & i. (~ed or poet. *tost*), & n.

1. Throw up (ball etc.) with the hand esp. with palm upward, (of bull etc.) throw (person etc.) up with the horns. 2. Throw (thing to person, away, aside, etc.) lightly or carelessly. 3. Throw (coin) into air to decide choice etc. by way it falls, settle question or dispute with (person for thing) thus, as *will ~ you for* (or *who has*) *the armchair*. 4. Toss (person) in blanket, jerk him upwards out of it by pulling suddenly on all corners; ~ one's *head*, throw it back esp. in contempt or impatience; ~ a *pancake*, jerk it up so that it returns upside down to pan. 5. Throw (thing, oneself) about from side to side, throw oneself about thus in bed etc., roll about restlessly; (of sea, ship, branch, etc.) roll or swing with fitful to-&-fro motion. 6. Separate heavy from light parts of (tin ore) by agitation in vessel. 7. ~ oars (of boat's crew bringing oars to upright position blades upward as salute); ~ off, drink off at a draught, dispatch (work) rapidly or without apparent effort; ~ up, ~ coin as above, prepare (food) hastily; ~ pot (arch.), toper. 8. n. ~ing of coin, head, etc., as *win the ~*, have its decision in one's favour; a *contemptuous ~ of the head*; *full ~*, a full pitch at cricket; ~up, ~ing up of coin, doubtful question, as *is quite a ~up whether he comes or not*; *pitch-&-~*. 9. || Throw from horseback etc. (*take a ~*, be thrown). [(n. f. vb) f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

tót¹, n. Small child, esp. a *tiny ~*; (colloq.) dram of liquor. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

tót², n., & v.t. & i. (colloq.; -tt-). 1. || Set of figures to be added. 2. vb. Add usu. up; (of items) mount up (~ up to, amount to). [abbr. of foll. or of L *totum* the whole] tót'al, a., n., & v.t. & i. (-ll-). 1. Complete, comprising the whole, as *the ~ number of persons*, ~ *population*, *sum ~*, ~ *tonnage*; absolute, unqualified, as *was in ~ ignorance of it*; *resulted in ~ loss of his fortune*, ~ *abstinence*, *abstainer*; ~ *eclipse* (in which whole surface is obscured); ~ *war* (in which all available weapons & resources are employed). 2. n. ~ number or amount. 3. vb. Find the ~ of (things, set of figures), amount in number to, as *the visitors ~ed 121*; amount to, mount up to. Hence totál'ry n. (esp., time for which an eclipse is ~), ~LY² adv. [(n. & vb t. adj.) F, f. LL *totalis* (ókus entire, see -AL)]

tótálitār'ian, a. Relating to a polity that permits no rival loyalties or parties; ~ *State* (with only one, the governing, party). [-ARIAN]

tót'alizātor, n. Device showing number & amount of bets staked on race with a view to dividing the total among betters on winner. [foll., -ATE², -OR²]

tót'aliz[e], v.t. & i. Collect into a total, find the total of; use totalizator in betting. Hence ~'TION n. [-IZIA]

tóte¹, n. (sl.). =TOTALIZATOR. [abbr.]

*tóte², v.t. Carry (a gun, supplies, timber, etc.). [f. 1676; etym. dub.]

tót'ern, n. Natural object esp. animal assumed among N.-Amer. Indians as emblem of clan or individual on ground of relationship; image of this; ~-post (on which ~s are carved or hung); ~ *stage*, stage of mental development in which ~s are taken as clan-names & objects of worship. Hence totém'tic, ~is'tic, aa., ~ISM(3), ~IST(2), nn. [of native orig.]

t'o'ther, to'ther, (túdh-), a. & pron. The other; *tell ~ from which* (joc. variant of *tell one from the other*). [earlier the *tother* f. wrong division of ME *that* (THAT) *other*; now understood as = the other & usu. used without the]

tót'idēm vēr'b'is, adv. In so many words, in these very words, as *he said*, ~, *that he would write in either case*. [L]

tót'itēs quót'itēs (or tósh'itēs kwósh'itēs), adv. On each occasion, every time, as *offer was refused ~*. [L, = as often as]

tót'is cael'is (sē-), adv. Differ ~ (by an immense distance). [L, = by the whole heaven]

tótt'er, v.i. Stand or walk unsteadily (esp. of child learning to walk); (part., of steps) unsteady; (of tower etc., fig. of State, system, etc.) be shaken, be on the point of falling. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ingly² adv., ~Y² a. [f. 1200, etym. dub.; cf. Norw. dial. *totra* quiver, Du. *touteren* swing]

toucan (tókahn', tók'kn), n. Kinds of tropical American bird with immense beak. [f. Braz. *tucana*]

touch¹ (túch), v.t. & i. 1. Be separated at one or more points by no intervening space or object from (thing etc.), be in or come into contact with, bring part of body esp. hand into contact with; establish this relation towards (thing with one's *hand*, *stick*, etc.), cause (two things) to come into contact, (of two things) be in contact, as *two rocks ~ (each other) at the bases*, *you are ~ing wet paint*, ~ *pitch*, have to do with shady transaction or person, *he ~ed me on the shoulder*, ~ *the table with your stick*, *wouldn't ~ him* (unpleasant person) *with a barge-pole*, *just ~ed them together & they cracked*, *I never ~ed him* (hostilely), *can just ~ bottom* (of water with toes), ~ *BOTTOM¹*, ~ *ed his hat* (as salutation), *was ~ed by the*

king (to cure KING's evil), ~ **wood** (to propitiate Nemesis after boasting etc.), ~ **the spot** (find out, or do, exactly what is requisite). 2. (geom.). Be a tangent to (circle etc.). 3. Apply slight force to, as *he ~ed (rang) the bell*; strike (keys, strings, of musical instrument), strike keys or strings of. 4. Delineate, mark lightly, put in, (features etc.) with brush, pencil, etc. 5. Reach, as *can just ~ the ceiling*; (fig.) approach in excellence etc., as *no one can ~ him in light comedy, in the spot-barred game, for purity of style*. 6. Affect with tender feeling, soften, as *it ~ed me to the heart, was visibly ~ed by her appeal*; rouse painful or angry feeling in, as *~ed him home, ~ed him to the quick, ~ed him on a raw or tender place* (also lit.). 7. Treat of (subject) lightly or in passing. 8. Concern, as *the question ~es you nearly*. 9. (Chiefly neg.) have to do with, as *refuses to ~ (risk capital in) breweries, dare not ~ (drink) beer*. 10. Injure slightly, as *flowers are a little ~ed with the east wind*. 11. p.p. Slightly crazy. 12. Affect slightly, modify, as *morality ~ed with emotion*; (neg.) produce slightest effect on, cope with, as *brass polish won't ~ these candlesticks, couldn't ~ the algebra paper*. 13. (sl.). ~ one for, get (sum) out of him (*~ed me for £5*; cf. **TAP**). 14. ~ at (Naut.), call at (port etc.); ~ **down**, (Rugby footb.) ~ ball on ground either behind one's own or the opponents' goal, (of aircraft) alight; ~ off, make (sketch) hastily, make hasty sketch of, (also) discharge (cannon); ~ on or upon, treat (subject) briefly; refer to or mention casually; ~ up, correct, give finishing touches to (picture, writing, etc.), strike (horse) with whip, jog (memory). 15. ~ **wood**¹ (see also **fohl**), children's game in which ~ing wood gives immunity from pursuit. Hence ~ **ABLE** a. [ME. f. OF *tochier*, cf. Pr., Sp., & Port. *tocar*, It. *toccare*]

touch¹ (tūch), n. 1. Act or fact of touching, contact, as *gave him a ~, felt a ~ on my arm, royal ~ (for KING's evil), at a ~ (if touched, however lightly)*. 2. Sense by which contact is perceived, whence ~ **LESS** a. 3. Light stroke with pencil, brush, etc., in drawing etc., as *added a few ~es, finishing ~es*, (often fig. of writing, management of business, etc.). 4. Small amount, slight tinge or trace, as *wants a ~ of salt, an occasional ~ of irony, felt a ~ of rheumatism*. 5. Performer's manner of touching keys or strings of musical instrument, manner or degree in which keys etc. respond to this, manner or style of workmanship in carving etc. or in writing, as *has a light or firm ~ on piano, piano is wanting in ~, writer has light ~ (produces required effect simply, without laboured emphasis, etc.); the Nelson ~, Nelson's unique handling of a situation*. 6. Mental correspondence, sympathy,

communication, esp. *keep in ~, remain in sympathy or not cease from correspondence or personal intercourse (with)*. 7. Magnetization of steel bar by repeated contact with magnet. 8. (arch.). ~ **stone**, test, as *put it to the ~*. 9. *Near ~*, close shave, narrow escape. 10. (mod.). Exploration of organs etc. by sense of ~. 11. (footb.). Part of field outside the side limits (~ **lines**) & between goal-lines produced; ~ **in-goal**, each of the four outside corners enclosed by ~ **lines** & goal-lines; ~ **down**, touching down (as in prec.). 12. ~ **& go**, (adj.) of uncertain event, risky, placed in risky circumstances, as *it was ~ & go whether we got past, a ~ & go business, we were ~ & go all the time*, (n.) such situation; ~ **body**, ~ **corpuscle** (concerned in sense of ~); ~ **hole**, small hole in cannon by which it was fired; ~ **last**, children's game; ~ **needle**, needle of gold alloy of known composition used as standard in testing other alloys on ~ **stone**; ~ of *nature*, natural trait, (pop.) exhibition of feeling with which others sympathize (f. misinterpretation of Shakspeare, *T. & C.* iii. iii. 175); ~ **paper** (steeped in nitre, for firing gunpowder etc.); ~ **stone**, fine-grained dark schist or jasper used for testing alloys of gold etc., (fig.) standard, criterion; ~ **wood**² (see also prec.), soft substance into which wood is changed by some fungi, used as tinder. [f. prec.]

tou'cher (tū-), n. In vbl senses, also: || (sl.) *near ~*, close shave, as *near as a ~*, very nearly, almost exactly. [-ER]
tou'ching (tū-), a. & prep. 1. Affecting, pathetic, as *a ~ incident, shows the most ~ confidence in us*, whence ~ **LY**² adv., ~ **NESS** n. 2. prep. (arch. or literary). (Also as ~) concerning, about. [-ING]
tou'ch'y (tū-), a. Apt to take offence, over-sensitive. Hence ~ **LY**³ adv., ~ **INESS** n. [perh. corrupt. of **TETCHY**]

tough (tūf), a. & n. 1. Flexible but not brittle, hard to break or cut, as *a beef-steak as ~ as leather, requires the ~est steel*; (of clay etc.) stiff, tenacious; able to endure hardship, hardy; unyielding, stubborn; difficult, as *found it a ~ job*; (colloq., of luck etc.) hard, severe, unpleasant; *ruffianly, turbulent & criminal. 2. n. *Street ruffian. Hence ~ **LY**⁴ v.t. & l., ~ **LY**⁵ a., ~ **LY**⁶ adv., ~ **NESS** n., (tūf-). [OE *tāh*, cf. Du. *taai*, G *edde*]
toupee¹ (tūp-), n. Wig or artificial patch of hair worn to cover bald spot. [F *toupet* dim. of *toupe* tuft (as **TOP**)]
toupet (tūp'ā), n. Front of false hair. [F, see prec.]

tour (toor), n., & v.l. & t. 1. Journey through a country from place to place; *the grand ~ (hist.)*, journey through France, Italy, etc., as *finishing touch to education*; rambling excursion, short journey, walk, as *a ~ of*.

through the town; || (Mil.) spell of duty on service, time to be spent at a station; ~ *de force* (de), feat of strength or skill.

2. vb. Make ~ (through, about, etc.); make a ~ of, travel through, (country etc.). Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ing-car. [F, =turn, round, tour, f. *tourner* TURN]

tour'acō (toor-), n. (Kinds of) large African bird with crimson & green plumage & prominent crest. [F, f. native name]

tourbillion (toorbil'yon), n. Kind of firework spinning in air so as to look like scroll or spiral column of fire. [f. F *tourbillon* whirlwind]

tour'ist (toor-), n. Person who makes a tour, as place is overrun with ~s; ~ ticket, railway etc. ticket issued to ~ on special terms, esp. return ticket available for extended period. So **tour'ism** (toor-) n., organized touring. [f. F *touriste* (TOUR, see -IST)]

tour'malin(e) (toor-), n. Mineral of various colours possessing powerful electric properties & used as gem; ~ *granite* (containing ~). [F, f. Cingalese *tōramalli*]

tour'nament (toor-, tēr-, n. 1. (hist.). Pageant in which two parties of mounted & armed men contended with blunted weapons. 2. Any contest of skill between a number of competitors, as chess, lawn-tennis, ~. [f. OF *torneiment* (*torneier* TOURNEY, see -MENT)]

tour'ney (toor-, n. Printed worsted upholstery-material. [f. *Tournay*, in Belgium]

tour'ney (tēr-, toor-, n. (pl. ~s), & v.i. (Take part in) tournament (esp. sense 1). [f. OF *torneier* vb, *tornei* n., f. *tourner* TURN]

tourniquet (toorn'ikēt), n. Instrument for stopping flow of blood through artery by compression effected with screw. [F, f. *tourner* TURN]

tour'nure (toornūr'), n. Curve, contour; pad etc. worn by women to give rounded outline to hips, back drapery of dress. [F (as TURN, see -URE)]

tou'sle (-zl), v.t. Pull about, handle roughly, make (esp. hair) untidy. [f. *touse* (now dial. or obs., cf. *Tousses* as dog's name), ME *tusen*, cf. G *sausen*, + -LE(3)]

tous-les-mois (tōōlāmwah'), n. Food starch got from tubers of species of canna. [F, lit. = every month, prob. corrupt. of S.-Amer. *toloman*]

tous'y (-s-), a. Rough, shaggy, dishevelled. [f. *touse* (TOUBLE) + -Y¹]

teut (towt), v.i., & n. 1. Solicit custom, pester possible customers with applications (for orders); || spy out movements & condition of horses in training. 2. n. Instance of, (also ~ER¹ n. rare) person employed in. ~ing. [ME *toten* peep, pry, OE *tōtan* project, peep out, cf. ON *tōta* speak, Sw. *tut* point, Da. *tud* spout]

tout court (tōō koor), adv. (Of name etc.) without addition or explanation. [F, lit. = quite short]

tout ensemble (see Ap.), n. See ENSEMBLE. [F]

tow¹ (tō), v.t., & n. 1. (Of vessel, horse on bank, etc.) pull (boat, barge, etc.) along in water by rope or chain; pull (person, thing) along behind one; drag (net) over surface of water, drag net over (water), to collect specimens. 2. n. ~ing, being ~ed, esp. take, have, in or on ~, (fig.) assume direction of, take possession of, (person); ~(*ing*)-line, -rope (used in ~ing); ~(*ing*)-net (for dragging water); ~(*ing*)-path (along river or canal for use in ~ing). Hence ~AGE(3, 4) (tō'ij) n. [OE *tōgian*, cf. ON *toga* pull, OHG *zogin* draw, cogn. w. G *ziehen* draw & w. L *ducere* lead, draw]

tow² (tō), n. Coarse & broken part of flax or hemp. Hence ~Y¹ (tō'ij) a. [f. 14th c., etym. dub.; cf. ON *tō* tuft of wool for spinning]

|| **toward¹** (tō'erd), a. (arch.). Docile, apt. Hence ~LY¹ a., ~NESS n., (arch.). [as foll.]

towards, toward², (tō'dz, tō'erdz, twō'dz, twō'dz), prep. (-s now more usu. in prose & colloq.). In the direction of, as looks ~ the sea, set out ~ town, I look ~ you (in drinking health); as regards, in relation to, as felt some animosity ~ him, his attitude ~ Home Rule; (arch. esp. bibl.) to upward, ~ us; for, for the purpose of, as saved something ~ his education; near, as ~ noon, ~ the end of our journey; (arch., as adv.) feast is toward (coming). [OE *tōweard* a. future (TO, -WARD), see -BS]

tow'el, n., & v.t. & i. (-ll-). 1. Cloth for drying oneself after washing; throw in the ~ (Boxing, & fig.), admit defeat (cf. SPONGE¹); roller ~, endless ~ on revolving bar; ~-horse, frame for hanging ~s on; (old sl.) lead ~, bullet, oaken ~, cudgel. 2. vb. Wipe (oneself etc.) with ~; || (sl.) thrash; wipe oneself with ~. Hence ~ING¹(1, 3) n. [f. OF *toaille* f. OHG *dwahila* (G dial. *zwehle*) f. *wahan* wash, cf. OE *thwelan*]

tow'er, n., & v.i. 1. Tall usu. equilateral (esp. square) or circular structure, often forming part of church or other large building; (fig.) place of defence, protector (~ of strength, champion, comforter, etc.); ivory ~, shelter from the harsh realities of life; MARTELLO ~; water ~, pipe used to secure high head of water at fires, (also) ~ supporting tank for distribution of water at high pressure; || the T ~ (of London), assemblage of buildings now used as repository of objects of public interest, orig. a fortress & palace & later used as State prison. 2. v.i. Reach high (above surroundings, often fig. of eminent person, as ~a above his contemporaries),

(of eagle etc.) soar or be poised aloft, (of wounded bird) shoot straight up; (part.) high, lofty, (fig.) a ~ing (violent) *rage, passion*. Hence ~ED² (-erd), ~Y², aa. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *turf* f. L *turris*]

town, n. 1. (hist.). Collection of houses enclosed by wall or hedge. 2. Considerable collection of dwellings etc. (larger than *village*; often opp. to *country*), esp. one not created a CTRY. 3. The people of a ~, as *the whole ~ knows of it, is the talk of the ~* (talked about by everyone in the ~). 4. (Without the) London or the chief city or ~ in speaker's neighbourhood, as *went up to ~ (London) from York, is not in ~, is out of ~*. 5. *Man about ~*, fashionable idler esp. in London; PAINT² *the ~ red*; COUNTY ~; ~ & GOWN. 6. ~ clerk, official who makes & keeps ~ records; ~ council(lor), (member of) governing body in municipality; ~ CRIER; ~ hall, building for transaction of official business of ~, often also used for public entertainment etc.; ~ house, one's ~ (as opp. to *country*) residence; ~ major (hist.), chief executive officer in a garrison ~ or fortress; ~s folk, inhabitants of a particular ~ or of ~s; ~s'nan, inhabitant of a town, fellow citizen; ~s'people, the people of a ~; ~ talk, the talk of the ~. Hence ~LESS, ~WARD, aa., ~LET n., ~WARD(S) adv. [OE *tūn*, cf. Du. *tuin*, ON *tān*, G *saun* hedge]

|| **townee'**, n. (univ. sl.). Inhabitant of university town who is not a member of the university. [-EE]

town'ship, n. (Hist.) community inhabiting a manor, parish, etc., manor or parish as a territorial division, small town or village forming part of a large parish, or being one of the parishes into which a larger one had been divided; (U.S. & Can.) division of county with some corporate powers, district six miles square; (Austral.) site laid out for town. [OE *tūnscipe*, see TOWN, -SHIP]

towy. See TOW².

tōxaem'ia, n. Blood-poisoning. [as TOXIC + Gk *haîma* blood + -IA¹]

tōx'ic, a. Of poison, as ~ symptoms; poisonous; ~ anaemia, *epilepsy*, etc. (caused by poison). Hence **tōx'ically**, ~old'gically², advv., ~ANT a. & n., ~old'gical a., **tōxi'cmy**, ~ōl'ogist, ~ōl'ogy, ~ōman'ia, ~ōs'is, **tōxi'phob'ia**, nn. [f. L f. Gk *toxikon* poison, orig. for dipping arrows in, neut. of *toxikos* (toxa bow & arrows, -IO)]

tōx'in, n. A poison, esp. one secreted by a microbe & causing some particular disease. [prec., -IN]

tōxōph'ill'ite, n. & a. (Student, lover) of archery. Hence ~it'ic a. [f. Gk *toxōn* bow + -PHIL + -ITE¹]

toy, n., & v.i. 1. Plaything esp. for child; knock-knock, thing meant rather for amusement than for serious use, as the

spintharoscope is a pretty ~; occupation followed in trifling or unpractical manner, hobby, as *she makes a ~* (amuses herself with needless elaboration) of *housekeep-ing*. 2. ~box (for keeping one's ~s in); ~ dog, *spaniel, terrier*, small kinds kept as pets or curiosities; ~shop; ~ soldier (of lead etc., or of an army that has no fighting to do). 3. v.i. Trifle, amuse oneself; ~ with, deal with, handle, in trifling or fondling or careless manner, as ~ed with a plate of *strawberries*, whence ~ingly² adv. [(vb f. n.) etym. dub.; once in 1303, = amorous play; common f. 1530, cf. Du. *tuig* tool, stuff, trash, (*speeltuig* toy), & G *zeug* (*spielzeug* toy)]
Toyn'bee Hall (hawl), n. Institution in Whitechapel founded in 1884 by members of Oxf. & Camb. Univ. as a SETTLEMENT in memory of A. Toynbee, social reformer.

tra-, pref. alternating with TRANS- before consonants in some wds of L orig.

trābēa'tion, n. Use of beams (not arches or vaulting) in construction. So **trāb'ēate** [-ATE²(1)], ~ated, aa. [f. L *trabs* beam + -ATION]

trabēc'ula, n. (pl. ~ae). (Anat.) supporting band or bar of connective tissue etc.; (Bot.) beamlike projection or process. Hence ~AR¹, ~ate [-ATE²(2)], ~ated, aa. [L, dim. of *trabs* beam]

tracasseries (trahkahsē'), n. pl. Petty worries & entanglements & quarrels. [F]
trāce', v.t., & n. 1. Delineate, mark out, sketch, write esp. laboriously, as ~d (out) a plan of the district, ~d the words with a shaking hand, (fig.) the policy ~d (out) by him was never followed. 2. (Also ~ over) copy (drawing etc.) by following & marking its lines on superimposed sheet (esp. of tracing-paper made transparent with oil of turpentine etc.) through which they are visible or on sheet placed below with carbon paper between. 3. Follow the track or path of (person, animal, footsteps, etc.), along, through, to, etc.). 4. Ascertain position & dimensions etc. of (ancient road, wall, etc.) by its remains. 5. Observe or find vestiges or signs of, as *his resentment can be clearly ~d in many passages, cannot ~ (often = do not think I received) any letter of that date*. 6. ~ back, go back over the course of, as *have ~d his genealogy back to (the time of) William I, the report has been ~d back to you*. 7. Pursue one's way along (path etc.). Hence ~ABILITY (-as), ~ableness, nn., ~ABLE a., ~ably² adv., **trā'cē'**(1, 2) n. (esp. Mil., projectile whose course is made visible by flame etc. emitted, so ~r bullet, shell), **trā'cē'** n., reproduction made on tracing-paper or tracing-cloth (transparent linen sized on one side). 8. n. Track left by person or animal walking or running, footprints or other visible signs of course pursued (usu.

pl.). 9. Visible or other sign of what has existed or happened, as *of these buildings no ~ remains, sorrow has left its ~s on her face*, ~s of Italian influence abound in his earlier works; (loosely) small quantity, as *contains ~s of soda*. Hence ~LESS (-al-) a., ~LESSLY² adv. [f. F *trace(r)* vb & n. ult. f. L *trahere tract-* draw]

tracé², n. Each of the two side-straps or chains by which horse draws vehicle; *in the ~s*, in harness (lit. & fig.); *kick over the ~s*, (fig., of person) become insubordinate; ~horse (that draws in ~s or by single ~, esp. one hitched on to help up hill etc.). [ME *trays* f. OF *trais*, orig. pl. of TRAIT]

trā'cer[y], n. Stone ornamental open-work esp. in head of Gothic window; decorative pattern or natural outline (e.g. in insect's wing) suggesting this. Hence ~IRD² (-rid) a. [f. TRACE¹ + -ERY]

trache'a (-kēa; or trāk'ia), n. (pl. -ae). Principal air-passage of body from larynx to bronchial tubes; each of the passages by which air is conveyed from the exterior in insects, arachnids, etc.; (Bot.) duct, vessel. Hence trāch'ēAL, trāch'ēAN, trāch'ēATE²(2), aa., trāch'ēO- comb. form, trāch'ēOCLE, trāch'ēOR'OMY, trāch'ēr'IS, nn., (-k-). [Med. L f. Gk *tracheia* (arteria), lit. rough artery, f. *trakhus* rough]

trachēl'o- (-k-) in comb. = Gk *trakhēlos* neck.

trachōm'a (-k-), n. Disease of eye marked by granular excrescences on inner surface of lids. Hence ~OM'ATOUS a. [f. Gk *trakhōma* roughness (*trakhus* rough, see -M)]

trāch'y- (-k-) in comb. = Gk *trakhus* rough, as ~phōn'ia hoarseness.

trāch'yte (-kit), n. Light-coloured volcanic rock rough to the touch. Hence trāch'yT'IO (-k-) a. [F, f. Gk *trakhudēs* roughness (*trakhus* rough) on wds in -ITE, cf. BARYTES]

trāck, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Continuous line, series of marks, left by person, animal, or thing, in passing along, (pl.) such marks, esp. footprints, as *watched the broad ~ of departing ship, followed his ~ through the snow, am on his ~* (in pursuit of him, fig. in possession of clue to his conduct, designs, etc.), *presently came on some more of his ~s, keep ~ of* (follow the course or development of). 2. Course taken, as *followed in his ~, indicated the ~ in which we were to go, ~ of a comet*. 3. Path, esp. one beaten by use, (fig.) course of life or routine, as *a rough ~ runs round the hillside, covered with sheep ~s, afraid to leave the beaten ~* (of ordinary life; also lit.). 4. Prepared racing-path, esp. *cinder ~* (for runners). 5. Continuous line of railway, as *single, double, ~*, one pair, two pairs, of rails. 6. Wheelband of tank, tractor, etc., whence (of vehicle) ~WD²

(-kt) a. 7. Transverse distance between a vehicle's wheels. 8. *In one's ~s* (sl.), where one stands, there & then; *make ~s* (sl.), go or run away, make off; *make ~s* for (sl.), go in pursuit of, go after; *off the ~*, off the scent, (fig.) away from the subject; ~clearer, kinds of device attached to locomotive, mowing-machine, etc., for clearing ~ in front or behind. Hence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY² adv., ~LESSNESS n. 9. vb. Follow the ~ of (animal, person, to lair etc.); ~down, reach, capture, by ~ing; trace, make out, (course, development, etc.) by vestiges. 10. Tow (boat) by rope etc. from bank. 11. (Of wheels) so run that the hinder is exactly in the first's ~. Hence ~ER² n. (in vbl senses, & esp. wooden connecting-rod in organ mechanism). [f. OF *trac* perh. f. MDu. *treck* (*trecken* draw); vb f. n., but in sense tow direct f. Du.]

trāck'age, n. Towage; railway-tracks collectively, amount of these. [-AGE]

trāct¹, n. Region, area, of indefinite (usu. large) extent, as *a ~ of sand, pathless ~s*; (Anat.) area of organ or system, as *olfactory, optic, respiratory, ~*; || (arch.) period (of time etc.). [f. L *tractus* -ūs, vbl n. f. *trahere tract-* draw]

trāct², n. Short treatise or discourse esp. on religious subject; (R.-C. Ch. &c.) a form of anthem; *T ~s for the Times, Oxford T ~s*, see TRACTARIANISM. [abbr. of TRACTATE]

trāct'able, a. (Of persons, rarely of materials etc.) easily handled, manageable, pliant, docile. Hence ~ABILITIES, ~ABLENESS, nn., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L *tractabilis* (*tractare* handle, frequent. of *trahere tract-* draw, -BLE)]

Trāctār'ian, a. & n. (Adherent, promoter) of Tractarianism. [TRACT² + -ARIAN]

Trāctār'ianism, n. (Also *Oxford movement*) High-Church reaction towards primitive Catholicism & against rationalism & formalism, voiced by Newman, Pusey, Keble, Froude, etc., in 90 tracts (*Tracts for the Times*) published at Oxford 1833-41. [-ISM]

trāct'āte, n. Treatise. [f. L *tractatus* -ūs (*tractare*, see TRACTABLE)]

trāct'ion, n. Drawing of a body along a surface, as *electric, steam, ~*; *line of ~*, that in which the force of ~ acts, *angle of ~* (between line of ~ & plane in which body is drawn); contraction e.g. of muscle, as ~aneurysm (produced by ~); ~engine, movable steam-engine for dragging heavy load on ordinary road, or gang of ploughs etc.; ~wheel, driving-wheel of locomotive etc. Hence or cogn. ~AL (-sho-), trāct'IVE, aa. [f. med. L *tractionem* f. L *trahere tract-* draw, see -ION]

trāct'or, n. 1. Traction-engine; stationary or locomotive motor engine for hauling. 2. Aeroplane with engine in

front (opp. *pusher*). [LL. = puller (*trahere* see prec., -OR¹)]

trāde, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Business, esp. mechanical or mercantile employment opp. to *profession*, carried on as means of livelihood or profit; *he is in ~*, be a retailer, keep a shop; JACK¹ of all ~s; *two of a ~ never agree*; *trick of the ~*, device for attracting custom, gaining advantage of rival, etc.; || *the ~*, (colloq.) the licensed victuallers, (naut. sl.) submarine branch of Navy. 2. Exchange of commodities for money or other commodities, commerce, as *foreign ~*, exportation & importation of goods from & to home country or exchange of commodities of different countries, *domestic or home ~* (carried on within a country): *is good, bad, for ~*, induces, discourages, buying; *carrying-~*, transportation of goods from one country to another by water. 3. The persons engaged in a ~, as *the ~ will never submit to it*, is *unpopular with the book ~*. 4. *Board of T-~*, || committee of Privy Council supervising commerce & industry; BALANCE¹ of ~; FREE¹ ~; FAIR² ~. 5. = ~ wind (chiefly pl.). 6. *T-~ Board*, statutory body for the settlement of disputes, wage claims, etc., in certain industries; ~ *cycle*, recurring succession of ~ conditions alternating between prosperity & depression; ~ *hall* (for meetings of traders etc.); ~ *mark*, device or word or words legally registered (or, formerly, established by use) as distinguishing a manufacturer's or trader's goods; ~ *name*, that by which a thing is called in the ~, (also) name given by manufacturer to proprietary article; ~ *price* (charged by manufacturer etc. to dealer for goods that are to be sold again); ~ *show*, private exhibition of new film to renters & critics; ~ *s'man*, person engaged in ~, esp. shopkeeper; ~ *s'people*, ~ *smen* & their families; ~ *union*, organized association of workmen of a ~ formed for protection & promotion of common interests, ~ *un'ionism*, this system of association, ~ *un'ionist*, advocate of this, member of ~ union; ~ *wind*, wind blowing continually towards thermal equator within parallels 30° N. & 30° S. in Atlantic & Pacific & deflected westwardly by rotation of earth, (pl.) the ~ wind & the (30°-60°) ANTI-TRADE. 7. vb. Buy & sell, engage in ~ (in commodity, with person); have a transaction (with person for thing); carry merchandise (to place); exchange in commerce, barter, (goods); make a ~ of one's political influence, make corrupt bargains in politics, (esp. in part.). 8. ~ *on*, take (esp. unscrupulous) advantage of (person's good-nature, one's knowledge of a secret, etc.). [(vb f. n.) ME f. MLG, orig. = path (as TRADE)]

trād'er, n. Person engaged, vessel regularly employed, in trade. [-ER¹]

trād'ition, n. 1. Opinion or belief or custom handed down, handing down of these, from ancestors to posterity. 2. (theol.). Doctrine etc. supposed to have divine authority but not committed to writing, esp. (1) laws held by Pharisees to have been delivered by God to Moses, (2) oral teaching of Christ not recorded in writing by immediate disciples, (3) words & deeds of Mohammed not in Koran. 3. Artistic or literary principle(s) based on accumulated experience or continuous usage, as *stage ~*, *the ~s of the Dutch School*. 4. (law). Formal delivery. Hence or cogn. ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., ~ALLY² adv., (-sho-). [f. OF *tradicion* f. L *traditionem* surrender, delivery, tradition, f. TRA(dere dit=dare give), -ION]

trād'itionalism (-sho-), n. (Excessive) respect for tradition esp. in religion; philosophical system referring all religious knowledge to divine revelation & tradition. So ~(al)IST nn., ~ALIS'tic a. [-ISM]

trād'itor, n. (pl. ~s, ~es pr. -ōr'ēz). Early Christian who to save his life surrendered copies of Scripture or Church property to persecutors. [L (*tradere*, see TRADITION, -OR²)]

trādūce', v.t. Calumniate, misrepresent. Hence **trādū'crr**¹, ~MENT (-sin-), nn., **trādū'cible** a. [f. L TRA(ducere duct-lead). bring over, display, disgrace, propagate]

trādū'cian(ist), nn. One who believes that soul as well as body is propagated (cf. CREATIONISM, 1st sense). So ~ISM n. [f. LL *traducianus* f. L *trādūc-ucis* layer of vine (as prec.), see -AN]

Trāfāl'gar Square, n. London square often made use of for popular demonstrations, with plinth of Nelson column as platform.

trāff'ic, v.i. & t. (-ck-), & n. 1. Trade (in commodity lit. & fig.), carry on commerce; barter (esp. fig.). Hence ~KER¹ n. 2. n. Trade (in commodity lit. & fig.), as *the ~ in raw hides, unscrupulous ~ in lucrative appointments*; transportation of goods, coming & going of persons or goods by road, rail, steamship route, etc., number or amount of persons or goods conveyed, as *there is little ~ on these roads*, *the ~-returns* (periodical statements of ~) *on all railways show marked decrease*, *apply to the superintendent of ~ (on railway)*. Hence ~LESS a. [(n. f. vb) f. F *trafiquer* f. It. *trafficare* perh. = TRANS- + -ficare -FY in sense transact]

trāg'acanth, n. White or reddish gum from certain herbs, used in pharmacy, calico-printing, etc. [f. F *tragacante* f. L f. Gk *tragakantha*, name of shrub (*tragos* goat + *akantha* thorn)]

trāgē'd'ian, n. Writer of tragedies; (w. fem. ~enne') actor in tragedy. [f. OF *tragediane* fem. -enne, or f. foll. + -AN]

trāg'edy, n. 1. Drama in prose or verse

of elevated theme & diction & with unhappy ending (~ *queen*, tragic actress); (T~) ~ personified. 2. Sad event, calamity, serious accident or crime. [ME & OF *tragédie* f. L (-oed-) f. Gk *tragōidia* f. *tragōidos* lit. goat-singer (*tragos* goat + *-idos* singer f. *aoidō* sing), hist. doubtful] **trā'gic(al)**, aa. 1. (-ic). Of, in the style of, tragedy, as ~ *drama*, the ~ *stage*, in a ~ *voice*, ~ *actor*; ~ *irony*, used in Gk tragedy of words having an inner esp. prophetic meaning for audience unsuspected by speaker. 2. Sad, calamitous, distressing, as a ~ (al) *tale*, *event*, *scene*. Hence ~ **al-ly** adv., ~ **al-ness** n. [f. L f. Gk *tragikos* (*tragos* see prec., -IC, -AL)]

trā'gicōm'ed-ē, n. Drama of mixed tragic & comic elements. So ~ **ic** a., ~ **ically** adv. [f. F *tragicomédie* f. L *tragicocomedia* (as prec., see **COMEDY**)]

trā'gōpān, n. Horned pheasant. [L f. Gk, name of fabulous bird (*tragos* goat, *Pan*, Gk god)]

trail, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Part drawn behind or in the wake of a thing, long (real or apparent) appendage, as *engine left a ~ of smoke behind it*, the ~ of a meteor; lower end of gun-carriage; track left by thing that has moved or been drawn over surface, as *slimy ~ of a slug*; track, scent, followed in hunting, as *got on, off, the ~*; beaten path esp. through wild region; at the ~ (Mil.), with arms ~ed (see vb); ~ **net**, drag-net. 2. vb. Draw along behind one esp. on the ground, as *was ~ing a toy cart*, ~ed *her dress through the mud*, ~ing *clouds of glory*; follow the ~ of, pursue (Mil.) ~ *arms*, let rifles hang balanced in one hand (*right, left, ~*) parallel to ground; tread down (grass etc.) so as to make path; be drawn along behind, as *skirt ~s on the ground*; drag (one's limbs) along, walk wearily, lag, straggle; hang loosely; (of plant) grow to some length over ground, wall, etc.; ~ing *edge*, rear edge of aircraft's wing; ~ing *wheel*, either hind wheel of carriage. [cf. ONF *traille* & Du. *trell* tow-line, ONF *trailer* & Du. *trellen* to tow; prob. f. L *tracula* drag-net, sledge, f. *trahere* draw]

trail'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: trailing plant; set of short extracts from a film exhibited to advertise it in advance; wheeled vehicle drawn by another. [-ER¹]

train, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Bring (person, child, animal) to desired state or standard of efficiency etc. by instruction & practice, as ~ *up a child in the way he should go*, was ~ed *for the ministry*, a ~ed *nurse*, *soldier*, ~ed *faculties*, *did not escape his ~ed eye*. 2. Teach & accustom (person, animal, to do, to action), as *dog is ~ed to jump through hoop*, ~ed *to all outdoor exercises*, *to obey or obedience*. 3. Bring (horse, athlete, oneself), come, to physical

efficiency by exercise & diet, as *is ~ing for the boat-race*, ~s *horses*, *is only half-~ed*, *is over, under, ~ed, ~ down* (to lower weight), ~ *fine* (into exact condition required; t. & i.), *always ~s on vegetarian diet*; cause (plant) to grow in required shape (often *up, over, wall* etc.). 4. Point, aim, (gun etc. upon object etc.). 5. (arch.). || Entice, lure, (away, from post etc.). 6. (now rare). || Draw along (esp. heavy thing). 7. (colloq.). Go by ~, perform (journey) thus, as *shall ~ from York to Leeds*, ~ *the rest of the way*, we ~ed *it all the way*. 8. ~ *off*, (of shot) go off obliquely. Hence ~ **able** a., ~ **er** n. 9. n. Thing drawn along behind or forming/hinder part, esp. elongated part of woman's skirt trailing on ground or of official robe, long or conspicuous tail of bird. 10. Body of followers, retinue, as *formed part of his ~*, a ~ of *admirers*. 11. Succession or series of persons or things, as *long ~ of sight-seers*, of *camels*, *by an unlucky ~ of events*, suggested a whole ~ of *ideas*, *painful ~ of thought*, in the ~ of (as a sequel of; war with pestilence in its ~). 12. Series of railway carriages drawn by same engine(s), as *missed my ~*, *put on a special ~*, **EXPRESS**¹, *fast, slow, up, down¹; **THROUGH, CORRIDOR, PARLIAMENTARY**, ~; *train de LUXE* (see Ap.). 13. Line of combustible material to lead fire to mine etc. 14. (arch.). Ordered arrangement, condition, as *matters were in a fine ~*. 15. Series of connected wheels or parts in machinery. 16. ~ **band** (hist.), each division of London citizen soldiery esp. in Stuart period; ~ **bearer**, person employed to hold up ~ of robe; ~ **ferry**, vessel that conveys a (usu. loaded) ~ across a piece of water; ~ **mile**, mile run by a ~, as unit of work in railway accounts. Hence ~ **less** a. [(n. f. F *traine* & *train*) f. *trahere* vb trail, draw, f. L *trahere* draw]*

train'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. one who trains horses, athletes, etc., for races etc. [-ER¹]

train'ing, n. In vbl senses; be in (process of) ~, *go into ~*, (for race etc.); ~ **bit**, gag-bit for vicious horse; ~ **college**, ~ **school**, (for training teachers); ~ **ship** (on which boys are taught seamanship etc.). [-ING¹]

train'oil, n. Oil got from blubber of whale (esp. of the right whale). [earlier also *trane*, *train*, f. MDu. *traen* tear, ~, of. G *träne* tear, exudation from vine]

traipse. Var. of **TRAPES**.

trait (|| -ā, *-āt), n. Distinguishing feature in character, physiognomy, habit, or portrayal; stroke, touch, (of humour etc.). [f. F *trait* n. & p.p. of *traire* draw f. L *trahere* tract- draw]

trait'or, n. One who violates his allegiance or acts disloyally (to country, king, cause, religion, principles, himself, etc.). Hence or cogn. ~ **ous** a., ~ **ously** adv.,

~ousness, trait'fess¹, nn. [OF, f. L *traditorem* (*tradere*, see TRADITION & -OR¹)]

trajéc'tory (or tráj'cé-), n. Path described by projectile moving under given forces; (Geom.) curve or surface cutting system of curves or surfaces at constant angle. [f. L *trajicere* *ject*=*jacere* throw, see -ORY]

trām¹, n., & v.i. & t. (-mm-). 1. || (Also ~car) passenger car running on rails laid in public road; such rail; || (also ~way, ~line) line consisting of such rails; four-wheeled car used in coal-mines; || ~lines (colloq.), either pair of long parallel lines bounding a lawn-tennis court, the inner of each pair being the single-court boundary; ~road (hist.), road with wooden, stone, or metal wheel-tracks. 2. vb. Convey in ~, perform (journey) in ~; go in ~. [= LG *tram* balk, beam, barrowshaft; in E prob. first = shaft of car]

trām², n. Kind of double silk thread used for some velvets & silks. [f. F *trame* f. L *trama* web]

trāmm'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Kinds of net for fish, esp. (also ~ned) triple drag-net; shackle, esp. one used in teaching horse to amble; hook in fireplace for kettles etc.; instrument for drawing ellipses etc.; beam-compass; (usu. pl.) impediment(s) to free movement or action (chiefly fig.), as ~s of *etiquette*, *official routine*. 2. v.t. Confine, hamper, with ~s (usu. fig.); (p.p. of horse) with white marks on fore & hind feet of same or (cross-~led) different sides. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *tramail* f. med. L *tramacula* perh. f. tri- triple + *macula* MALL¹]

trāmōnta'na (-ah-, -ah-), n. (In Mediterranean) north wind; cold blighting wind in the Archipelago. [It., see foll.]

trāmōn'tāne, a. & n. 1. (Situated, living) on other side of the Alps; (fig., from It. point of view) foreign, barbarous. 2. n. ~ person, also = prec. [f. It. *tramontano* f. L *TRANS(montanus* f. *mons -ntis* mountain) beyond the mountains]

trāmp, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Walk heavily, as heard him ~ing about overhead; walk, go on foot, perform (journey), traverse (country), on foot (usu. w. implication of reluctance, weariness, etc.), as have ~ed up & down all day looking for you, decline to ~ ten miles in this heat, have ~ed the whole country in my time, missed the train & had to ~ it. 2. Be a ~. 3. n. Sound of person(s) walking or marching or of horse's steps. 4. Journey on foot, walk. 5. Iron plate protecting sole of boot from wear & tear of spade in digging. 6. Person who ~s the roads in search of work or as vagrant, this mode of life (esp. on the ~). 7. Freight-vessel running on no regular line. 8. ~pick, lever for turning up hard soil. [ME & G *trampen*, cf. Da. *trampe*, Sw. *trampa*]

trām'plis, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Tread under

foot, crush thus, as ~ed to death by elephants; ~e on, tread heavily on, (fig.) treat roughly or with contempt, show no consideration for, (person, feelings, etc.). 2. n. Sound, act, of ~ing. Hence ~er¹ n. [-LE(3)]

tran-, pref. = TRANS- before a.

trance (-ah-), n., & v.t. 1. State suggesting that the soul has passed out of the body; ecstasy, rapture, extreme exaltation; (Path.) state of insensibility to external surroundings with partial suspension of vital functions, catalepsy, also, hypnotic state. 2. v.t. (poet.) = ENTRANCE². [(vb f. n.) f. OF *trance* f. *transire* fall into trance f. L *TRANS(ire* go) go over]

trān'quil, a. Calm, serene, unruffled, not agitated, as preserved a ~ mind, ~ scene, ~ surface of pond. Hence or cogn. ~l'ity, ~liza'tion, ~lizer¹, nn., ~lize(3) v.t., ~lizing'ly¹, ~ly², adv. [f. L *tranquillus*]

trans-, pref. (before s usu. *trans-*, before other consonants occas. *tra-* in wds of L orig.) = L *trans-* across, beyond, on or to the other side, through, into a different state or place, (~nil, ~cend, ~ser, ~fix, ~form, ~late); as living pref. chiefly in sense 'on other side of', as ~Appalachian, ~Caucasian, ~frontier (esp. of India), ~Gangétic (of the Ganges).

trāns'act' (-z-), v.t. & i. Perform, carry through, (business); carry on business (with person). So ~ac'tor¹ (-z-) n. [f. L *TRANS(igere* act = *agere* ACT)]

trānsac'tion (-z-), n. Management of business, as left the ~ of the matter to him; piece of esp. commercial business done, as the ~s of a firm, the ~ will not bear looking into, mixed up in shady ~s; (pl.) reports of discussions, papers read etc., at meetings of some learned societies, as *Philosophical T~s* (esp. of Royal Society of London); (Law) adjustment of dispute by mutual concessions, any act affecting legal rights. [f. L *transactio* (as prec., see -ION)]

trānsāl'pine (-z-), a. & n. (Person living) beyond the Alps (usu. from Ital. point of view). [f. L *TRANS(alpinus* ALPINE)]

trānsatlāntic (-z-), a. Beyond the Atlantic, American; crossing the Atlantic, as ~ flight, line, steamer. [TRANS-]

trāscēnd', v.t. & i. Be beyond the range or domain or grasp of (human experience, reason, description, belief, etc.); (t. & i.) excel, surpass. [f. L *TRAN(scendere* = *ascendere* climb)]

trāscēn'dent, a. & n. 1. Excelling, surpassing, as ~ent merit, genius. 2. (scholastic philos.). Higher than, not included under any of, the ten categories. 3. (Kantian philos.). Not realizable in experience. 4. (Esp. of God) existing apart from, not subject to limitations of, the material universe. 5. n. (philos.). ~ent thing. Hence or cogn. ~ence, ~ency, nn., ~ently¹ adv. (as prec., see ANT., EN¹)

figure or body into another of same area or content; (Biol.) change of one species into another, whence ~IST(2) n.; ~ *glaze*, iridescent porcelain glaze. [OF (as foll., see -ATION)]

trāsmūt[e'] (-z-), v.t. Change the form, nature, or substance, of. Hence or cogn. ~ABIL'ITY, ~ER¹, nn., ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa., ~ABLY² adv. [f. L TRANS(*mutare* change)]

trāsnōrm'al (-z-), a. Beyond, exceeding, what is normal. [TRANS-]

trāsnōcēān'ic (-zōsh-), a. Situated beyond the ocean; crossing, concerned with crossing, the ocean, as ~ *flight* of birds. [TRANS-]

trān'som, n. || Horizontal (cf. MULLION) bar of wood or stone across window or top of door; ~ *window* (divided by ~ or placed above ~ of door); each of several beams fixed across stern-post of ship; beam across saw-pit; strengthening cross-bar. Hence ~ED¹ (-md) a. [f. L TRANS(*trum*, agent-suf.)]

trāns'padāne, a. Situated beyond (usu. -north of) the Po. [f. L TRANS(*padanus* f. *Padus* Po, see -AN)]

trāns'pār'ency, n. Being transparent, so **trāns'pār'ENCE** n.; picture, inscription, etc., painted on canvas or muslin & shown up by light behind, wooden framework supporting such picture; (Photog.) positive picture on glass hung in window as ornament or used as lantern slide; porcelain relief whose parts vary in thickness & ~; *his* etc. T~ (burlesque title = G *Durchlaucht*, cf. SERENITY). [f. med. L *transparentia* (as foll., see -ENCY)]

trāns'pār'ent, a. Transmitting rays of light without diffusion so that bodies behind can be distinctly seen; (fig., of disguise, pretext, etc.) easily seen through, (of motive, quality, etc.) easily seen through attempted disguise; bright, clear, (fig.) free from affectation or disguise, frank; ~ *colours*, (in painting) such as when laid lightly on do not hide underlying colours & forms, (in stained glass) appearing only by transmission of light. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *transpare* appear, TRANS-, see -ENT]

trāns'pierce', v.t. Pierce through. [f. F TRANS(*percer* PIERCE)]

trāns'pif[e'], v.t. & i. 1. Emit through excretory organs of skin or lungs, send off in vapour; be emitted thus, pass off as in insensible perspiration. 2. (Of gas or liquid) move through capillary tube under pressure; (Bot., of plant or leaf) exhale watery vapour. 3. (fig.). (Of secret etc.) ooze out, come to be known; (vulg.) happen. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~ATORY, aa., **trāns'pīra'tion** n. [f. TRAN- + L *spīrare* breathe]

trāns'plant' (-lah-), v.t. Plant in another place; remove & establish, esp. cause to live, in another place; (Surg.) transfer (living tissue) & implant in another part of

body or in another person's body. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE (-lah-) a., **trāns'plānt-a'tion** n. [f. L TRANS(*plantare* PLANT)]

trāns'plānt'er (-lah-), n. In vbl senses, esp.: hand-tool for lifting plants, machine for removing trees, with ball of earth about roots. [-ER¹]

|| **trāns'pōn'tine**, a. Of the part of London on Surrey side of Thames; cheaply melodramatic, like the plays formerly popular in ~ theatres. [f. TRANS- + L *pons* -ntis bridge + -INE¹]

trāns'pōrt', v.t. 1. Convey (person, goods, troops, baggage, etc.) from one place to another, whence ~ER¹ n. 2. (hist.). Convey (criminal) to penal colony. 3. Carry away by strong emotion (chiefly in pass., as ~ed with joy, anger, fear), whence ~ingly² adv. [f. L TRANS(*portare* carry)]

trāns'pōrt', n. 1. Conveyance, transportation, from place to place; means of ~, as *motor* ~. 2. Vessel employed to carry soldiers, stores, etc., to destination. 3. (hist.). Transported convict. 4. Vehement emotion, as *in a ~ of rage*, was in ~s (usu. of joy). [f. prec.]

trāns'pōrt'able, a. That may be transported, whence ~ABIL'ITY n.; (of offender or offence) punishable by transportation. [-ABLE]

trāns'pōrtā'tion, n. Conveying, being conveyed, from place to place; removal to penal colony (hist.). [-ATION]

trāns'pōs[e'] (-z-), v.t. Cause (two or more things) to change places; (Alg.) transfer (term) with changed sign to other side of equation; change the natural or the existing order or position of (words, a word) in sentence; (Mus.) write, play, in different key, as ~ed from G to B; ~ing *instrument* (producing notes different in pitch from the written notes), ~ing *piano* (on which transposition may be effected mechanically). Hence ~AL, ~ER¹, nn., (-z-). [f. F TRANS(*poser*, see COMPOSE)]

trāns'pōsitiōn (-zi-), n. Transposing, being transposed. Hence or cogn. ~AL, **trāns'pōs'itive**, aa., (-zi-). [F, f. med. L *transpositionem* f. TRANS(*ponere* post-place), see -ION]

trāns-'ship' (-nsh-), v.t. (-pp-). Transfer from one ship or conveyance to another. Hence ~MENT n. [TRANS-]

trāns'ubstān'tiāte (-shi-), v.t. Change from one substance into another (esp. as foll.). [f. med. L TRANS(*substantiare*, as SUBSTANCE), see -ATE¹]

trāns'ubstāntiā'tion (-shi-, -si-), n. Change from one substance into another, esp. (Theol.) conversion of whole substance of eucharistic bread & wine into body & blood respectively of Christ (cf. CONSUBSTANTIATION). [f. med. L *transubstantiationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

trāns'ūd[e'], v.i. (Of fluid) pass through pores or interstices of membrane etc.

Hence ~ATION n., ~ATORY a. [TRAN-, L *transare* sweat]
transvers'al (-nz-), a. & n. 1. (Of line) cutting a system of lines. 2. n. ~ line. Hence ~ITY (-äl-) n., ~LY¹ adv. [f. med. L *transversalis* (foll., -AL)]
transverse' (-z-; also trät'), a. & n. 1. Situated, arranged, acting, in cross-wise direction, as ~ artery, ligament, magnet (whose poles are at sides not ends), section, strain. 2. n. ~ muscle. Hence ~LY¹ adv., **transvers'o-** (-z-) comb. form. [f. L *TRANS(vertere vers- turn)*]
trän'ter, n. (dial.). Carrier; hawker. [f. med. L *travelarius*, etym. dub.]
träp', n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Pittfall or enclosure or mechanical structure for catching animals, affording entrance but not exit & often baited & having door or lid actuated by spring; FLY¹, RAT¹, ~; (fig.) trick for betraying person into speech or act, as *is always setting ~s for me, walked straight into the ~, is this* (question etc.) a ~? 2. Contrivance for suddenly releasing bird, or throwing ball etc. into air, to be shot at; shoe-shaped wooden device with pivoted bar that sends ball from its heel into air on being struck at other end with bat, ~ball, game played with this. 3. U-shaped or other section of pipe so arranged as to prevent return flow of gas by means of liquid replaced whenever ~ is used. 4. || Kinds of wheeled vehicle, e.g. dog-cart. 5. = ~door. 6. || ~cellar, space under stage of theatre; ~door, door in floor or roof (~door spider, kind that makes hinged ~door at top of nest), (fig.) L-shaped tear in cloth etc. 7. vb. Catch (animal, fig. person) in ~; furnish (stage) with ~s for a play; set ~s in (wood, hedge, etc.); arrest (gas) in ~; supply (drain etc.) with ~; (of steam) be impeded in pipe etc. [OE *treppe*, *trappe*, cf. MDu. *trappe*, med. L *trappa*, OF *trape*; relation between Teut. & Rom. wds., & w. G *trappe*, Sw. *trappa*, stair, doubtful]
träp', n. Dark-coloured eruptive rock of columnar structure; (pl.) portable step-ladder. [f. Sw. *trapp* (*trappa* stair, see prec.)]
träp', v.t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Furnish with trappings. 2. n. pl. Personal belongings, baggage, as *pack up your ~s*. [f. F *drap-(er) cloth(s)*]
trapan. See **TREPAN**¹.
träpes (-ps), **traipse**, n., & v.i. (colloq. & dial.). 1. Slatern; a tiresome walk. 2. v.i. (Esp. of women) tramp or trudge wearily or in draggeltailed way, go about on errands. [vb earlier also *trape*; perh. cogn. w. Du. *trappen* tread]
trapés'e', n. Cross-bar(s) suspended by cords used as swing for gymnastic exercises; = foll., whence ~IFORM a. [f. F *trapèze*, = foll.]
trapés'ium, n. Any irregular quadri-

lateral esp. one with one pair of opposite sides parallel, cf. foll. [mod. L, f. Gk *trapesion* (*trapeza* table)]
träp'ézoid, n. & a. 1. Quadrilateral no two of whose sides are parallel, cf. prec. 2. adj. Of, in the form of, a ~. Hence ~AL (-oid⁴) a. [f. late Gk *trapezoidēs* (prec., -OID)]
träpp'éan, a. Of the nature of the rock TRAP¹. So ~OID, ~OSE¹, aa. [-EAN]
träpp'er, n. One whose business is to trap animals esp. for furs; one who tends air-doors in mines. [f. TRAP¹ + -ER¹]
träpp'ings (-z), n. pl. Harness of horse esp. when ornamental; (fig.) ornamental accessories (of office etc.). [f. TRAP¹ + -ING¹]
Träpp'ist, n. Member of a Cistercian order founded 1140 at Soligny-la-Trappe & noted for silence & other austerities. [-IST]
träpp'istine, n. 1. Liqueur made at Trappist abbey of Grace-Dieu in France. 2. (T~). Nun of an order affiliated with Trappists. [-INE¹]
träpp'y, a. (colloq.). Tricky, treacherous, (chiefly of things). Hence ~INESS n. [f. TRAP¹ + -Y¹]
trash, n., & v.t. 1. Worthless or waste stuff, rubbish, refuse; loppings of trees etc., (W. Ind.) stripped leaves of sugarcane used as fuel; thing, e.g. literary production, of bad workmanship or material; nonsensical talk; cane~, refuse of crushed sugarcanes & dried leaves & tops, used as fuel; ~house (on sugar-plantation, for storing bagasse & cane-~); ~ice, broken ice mixed with water; *white~, the poor white population in the Southern States. 2. v.t. Strip (sugarcanes) of outer leaves. Hence ~ERY(I), ~INESS, nn., ~ILY¹ adv., ~Y¹ a. [(n.) cf. Icel. *trös* rubbish, leaves & twigs as fuel]
träss, **tá'rras**, n. A volcanic earth formerly imported as cement-material. [Du. *terras*, *tras*, f. Rom. (L *terra* earth, -ACEOUS)]
trät'tori'a (-äa), n. Italian eating-house. [It.]
traum'a, n. (pl. ~ta, ~s). Morbid condition of body produced by wound or external violence; (Psych.) emotional shock. So ~ISM n. [f. Gk *trauma* -motos wound]
traumät'ic, a. & n. Of, (medicine) for, wounds. [f. LL f. Gk *traumatikos* (as prec., see -IO)]
träv'all, n., & v.i. (arch.). (Suffer) pangs of childbirth; (make) painful or laborious effort. [(vb f. OF *travailler*) OF, = toll, prob. f. LL *trepalum* instrument of torture (L *tres* three, *palus* stake)]
träv'el, v.i. & t. (-il-), & n. 1. Make a journey esp. one of some length to distant countries, as *ordered to ~ for his health*, *spent his life in ~ing*; act as

COMMERCIAL traveller (for firm, in commodity); (of machine or part) move (along bar etc., in groove etc.); pass esp. in deliberate or systematic manner from point to point, as his eye ~led over the scene, mind ~s over the events of the day; (of deer etc.) move onwards in feeding; move, proceed, in specified manner or at specified rate, perform (distance), as horse ~s slowly, light ~s faster than sound, ~s thousands of miles per second, train ~led 1,000 miles a day; journey through, as ~led France from end to end; cause (herds etc.) to ~; (p.p.) experienced in ~ling, as is a ~led man; ~ out of the record, wander from subject; ~ling-cap, -dress, etc. (of form convenient for ~ling). 2. n. ~ling esp. in foreign countries, as is much improved by ~, has returned from his ~s, is going to publish (account of) his ~s, cannot read books of ~ or ~s; range, rate, mode, of motion of a part in machinery, as has extended, improved, the ~ of the valves; (of person, clothes, etc.) ~soiled, -stained, -worn, etc. (as result of ~). [differentiated f. prec.]

trav'eller, n. In vbl senses, esp.: kinds of moving mechanism (esp. overhead crane on rails); = **COMMERCIAL** ~; || *bona fide* ~, one entitled to call for refreshment on Sunday at public house by having travelled 3 miles; **FELLOW** ~; tip person the ~, impose on him, tell him lies; ~s tale, presumable lie; ~s-joy, a climbing plant. [-ER¹]

trav'elogue (-ôg), n. Illustrated lecture-narrative of expedition etc. [irreg. f. travel + LOGUE]

trav'erse, a., n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Arch. in gen. use) = **TRANSVERSE**; (Her.) crossing shield from side to side; ~ sailing (on zigzag track). 2. n. Thing, esp. part of structure, that crosses another; (Fortif.) earthwork in form of parapet protecting covered way etc., double or quadruple right-angle in trench (L, L) to prevent enfiling; gallery from side to side of church etc.; (Geom.) transversal line; single line of survey (usu. plotted from prismatic-compass bearings & chained or paced distances between angular points); (Naut.) zigzag line taken by ship owing to contrary winds or currents (work, solve, a ~, compute direct distance so covered); sideways movement of part in machine; sideways motion across face of precipice from one practicable line of ascent or descent to another, place where this is necessary; (Law) denial esp. of allegation of matter of fact; || (arch.) thwarting circumstance; turning of gun to required direction; ~-table, nautical table used in solving ~s, platform for shifting engine etc. from one line of rails to another. 3. vb. Travel or lie across, as mist ~ a vast extent of country, district ~d by canals, wall ~d by

beam; make a ~ in climbing; (fig.) consider, discuss, the whole extent of (subject); turn (gun); plane (wood) across grain; deny esp. (Law) in pleading; thwart, frustrate, oppose, (plan, opinion); (of needle of compass etc.) turn (as) on pivot; (of horse) walk crosswise; *traversing pulley* (running over rope etc. that supports it). [(vb f. F *traverser*, n. partly thr. adj.) f. F *travers* -rae, f. L as **TRANSVERSE**]

trav'erser, n. In vbl senses, esp. railway traverse-table. [-ER¹]

trav'ertine(e), n. Porous light-yellow a calcareous deposit from springs, ening on exposure and used in Italy for building. [f. It. *travertino* f. L (lapis stone) of Tibur (Tivoli), see ...]

trav'esty, v.t., & n. 1. Make (subject etc.) ridiculous (intentionally or not) by treatment of it; (of person or thing, e.g. literary work) be a ridiculous imitation of (another). 2. n. Such treatment, such imitation, (of). [(vb & n. f. obs. adj.) f. F *travesti* p.p. of *travestir* disguise, change the clothes of, f. It. *travestire* clothe f. L *vestire* f. *vestis* clothing)]

trawl, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Drag (~net), catch fish in ~net. Hence ~ing¹ n. 2. n. (Also ~net) large bag-net with wide mouth held open by beam (beam~) or otherwise, meant to be dragged along the bottom by boat; *(also ~line) long sea-fishing line buoyed & supporting short lines with baited hooks; ~anchor (for anchoring ~line); ~boat (for setting ~line or drawing ~net). [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

trawl'er, n. Person who trawls; trawl-boat. [-ER¹]

tray, n. Flat shallow vessel usu. of wood or metal for placing or carrying esp. small articles on, as tea~, pen~, developing~ (in photography); metal or other container on desk for correspondence, as in, out, ~; shallow lidless box forming a compartment in trunk. Hence ~ful n. [OE *trig*, cogn. w. TREE]

treacherous (-êch-), a. Violating allegiance, betraying trust, perfidious; not to be relied on, deceptive, as ~memory, ~ice (apt to give). Hence or cogn. ~ly² adv., ~NESS, *treachery*¹ (-êch-), nn. [f. OF *trechereus* (*trecheur* a cheat f. *trechier* deceive perh. cogn. w. TRICK, -OUS)]

|| **treacle**, n. Syrup got in refining sugar; (loosely) = **MOLASSES**; kinds of saccharine fluid, e.g. sap of birch. Hence *treac'ly*² a. [earlier = **THERRIAC**; f. OF *triacle* f. L as **THERRIAC**]

tread (-êd), v.i. & t. (*trôd*, arch. *trode*; *trodden*), & n. 1. Set down one's feet, walk, step, (of fool) be set down, as do not ~ on the grass, *trod on a snake*; ~ lightly, (fig.) deal cautiously with delicate subject; where no foot may ~, where angels fear to ~; ~ in person's (foot)steps, (fig.)

follow his example; ~ on person's *corns* or *toes*, (fig.) offend him; ~ on the *heels* of, (lit., & fig. of event etc.) come closely or immediately after; ~ or *seem to* ~ on air (of person transported with joy); ~ on or as on *eggs* (of person in situation requiring much tact); ~ (set one's foot lit. or fig. as sign of supremacy) on the *neck* of person, ~ AWRY. 2. Walk upon, press or crush with the feet, as ~s a *perilous path*, *trod the room from end to end*, ~ grapes (in making wine), *wine*. 3. Perform, execute, in walking etc., as *trod a dozen hurried paces*, ~ a *measure* (in dancing). 4. (Of cock) copulate with (hen, or abs.). 5. ~ down, press down with feet, trample on, destroy, as ~ down the *earth round the roots*, ~ down *Salan under our feet*; ~ in, press in or into earth etc. with feet; ~ out, stamp out (fire, fig. insurrection etc.), press out (wine, grain) with feet; ~ the *stage* or *boards*, be an actor, appear on stage; ~ under foot, (fig.) destroy, treat contemptuously; ~ water, maintain upright position in deep water. 6. n. Manner, sound, of walking, as *recognized his heavy ~*, *approached with cautious ~*. 7. (Of male bird) copulation. 8. (Also ~board) top surface of step or stair, each step of ~mill. 9. Piece of metal or rubber placed on step to lessen wear or sound. 10. Part of wheel that touches ground or rails, part of rail that wheels touch. 11. Part of stilt on which foot rests. 12. Part of boot-sole that rests on ground. 13. Distance between pedals of bicycle. 14. Canticule of egg (formerly supposed to appear only in fecundated eggs). 15. ~mill, appliance for producing motion by the stepping of man or horse etc. on movable steps on revolving cylinder, esp. kind used in prisons as punishment, (fig.) monotonous routine; ~wheel, ~mill or similar appliance. [(n. f. vb) OE *treden*, cf. Du. *treden*, G *treten*, ON *træða*]

trea'dle (-ðl), n., & v.i. 1. Lever moved by foot & imparting motion to machine, e.g. *lathe*, *sewing-machine*, *bicycle*, *reed-organ*; ~machine, ~press, printing-press worked by ~. 2. v.i. Work ~. Hence **tread'le** (-rðd-) n. [(vb f. n.) OE *tredel* step (as prec.)]

treas'on (-z-), n. 1. (Also *high* ~) violation by subject of allegiance to sovereign or to chief authority of State (e.g. compassing or intending sovereign's death, levying war against him, adhering to his enemies, killing his wife or heir, violating his wife or eldest unmarried daughter or heir's wife, killing chancellor or treasurer or justice, abetting marriage of sovereign under 18 years of age without written consent of regent & parliament). 2. Breach of faith, disloyalty, (to cause friend, etc.). 3. *Constructive* ~ (held in law as equivalent to ~ though not in-

tended or realized as such); MISPRISON¹ of ~; || ~felony, attempt to depose sovereign or levy war in order to compel change of measures, intimidate parliament, or stir up foreign invasion. Hence ~ous a. [f. OF *trahison*, as TRADITION]

treas'onable (-z-), a. Involving the crime, guilty, of treason. Hence ~lessness n., ~LY¹ adv. [-ABLE]

treas'ure (-èzher), n., & v.t. 1. Precious metals or gems, hoard of these, accumulated wealth, as *buried ~*, *had amassed great ~* or ~s, a *voyage in quest of ~*, (not now in colloq. use); thing valued for rarity, workmanship, associations, etc., as *art ~s*, *absorbed in his latest ~* (book, picture, etc.); (colloq.) beloved person esp. child, as (voc.) *my ~*; (colloq.) highly efficient or satisfactory person e.g. servant, as *the girl is a perfect ~*. 2. v.t. Store (usu. up) as valuable; receive, regard as valuable, store (usu. up) in memory, (person's words, looks, etc.). 3. ~city (Bibl.), city for stores & magazines; ~house, place where ~s (esp. fig.) are kept; ~trove [see TROVER], gold etc. found hidden in earth & of unknown ownership. [f. OF *tresor* f. L f. Gk *thēsauros*]

treas'urer (-èzhe-), n. Person in charge of funds of society, company, club, etc.; officer authorized to receive & disburse public revenues; *Lord High T~* (hist.), crown officer with duties now discharged by Lords of the Treasury; || *T~ of the Household*, official ranking next to Lord Steward. Hence ~SHIP n. [f. OF *tresorier* f. LL *thesaurarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹, -IER)]

treas'ury (-èzhe-), n. 1. Place, building, where treasure is stored; (fig.) book, person, etc., viewed as repository of information etc. 2. Place where public revenues are kept; department managing public revenue of a country, officers of this; || *T~ Board*, *Lords (Commissioners) of the T~*, board in charge of British public revenue, viz. *First Lord of the T~*, usu. prime minister, Chancellor of the Exchequer, & 3 junior lords; *T~ bench*, front bench on right hand of Speaker in House of Commons, occupied by First Lord of T~ (if a commoner), Chancellor of Exchequer, & other members of Government. 3. || ~bill, bill of exchange issued by the T~ to raise money for temporary needs & sold to highest bidder; ~note, = CURRENCY note, "note issued by T~ & receivable for government dues; *T~ warrant* (issued by T~ for sums disbursed by Exchequer). [f. OF *tresorie* (as TREASURA, see -Y¹)]

treat, v.t. & L, & n. 1. Act towards, behave to, as *how did they ~ you?*, ~ed me *abominably*, *kindly*, as if I were a child, *better ~ it as a joke*. 2. Deal with (person, thing) with view to result, apply process

to, subject to chemical agent etc., as ~ed him for smallpox, how would you ~ a sprained ankle?, must next be ~ed with sulphuric acid. 3. Manipulate, present, express, (subject) in literature or art. 4. Give (person) food or entertainment at one's expense, as *I will ~ you all, think you might ~ me to an ice, a theatre*, (of candidate for election) give food etc. or cause these to be given to (electors) in order to influence election, whence ~ING¹ n. 5. Negotiate terms (with person); ~ of, handle, discuss, (subject). 6. n. Thing that gives great pleasure, as *pantomime is a great ~ to him, what a ~ it is not to have to get up early*; entertainment designed to do this, as *school-~, picnic etc.* for (esp. Sunday-) school children; *stand ~*, bear expense of entertainment. Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *traitier* f. L *tractare* handle frequent. of *trahere tract-* draw]

treat'ise (-z, -s), n. Literary composition dealing more or less systematically with definite subject. [AF *tretiz* (*traitier* as prec.)]

treat'ment, n. (Mode of) dealing with or behaving towards a person or thing, as *received strange ~ from him, must vary the ~, is now ready for ~ with an acid*. [as TREAT, see -MENT]

treat'y, n. Formally concluded & ratified agreement between nations; agreement between persons (to do etc.); *be in ~* (negotiating) *with* (person for purchase etc.); ~ *port*, one that a country is bound by ~ to keep open to foreign trade. [f. F *traité* p.p. of *traiter* (OF *-ier*) TREAT]

tré'ble, a. & n., & v.t. & i. 1. Threefold, triple, whence tréb'ly² adv.; multiplied by three, three times (amount etc., as *the enemy had ~ our numbers*); (esp. of boy's voice or boy) = SOPRANO. 2. n. (In short whist) game won by 5 to 0 counting three points; = SOPRANO. 3. vb. Multiply, be multiplied, by three, as *has ~d its value, its value has ~d*. [(vb & n. f. adj.) OF, f. L *tripulus* TRIPLE; mus. sense from early contrapuntal music in which ~ was third part]

tréb'üchët (-sh-), tréb'üčkët, n. (Hist.) military engine for throwing stones etc.; tilting balance for weighing light articles; kind of trap for small birds etc. [OF, f. *trebucher* tumble, f. TRANS- + OF *buc* trunk of body f. WG *bāh* belly (G *bauch*)]

treccen 'tjō (-sch-), n. The 14th century in Italian art & literature. So ~-ten (2, 3) n. [It., = three (for thirteen) hundred]

tree, n., & v.t. 1. Perennial plant with single woody self-supporting stem or trunk usu. unbranched (cf. SHRUB¹) for some distance above ground; piece or framework of wood for various purposes, e.g. AXLE, BOOM¹, BOOF, SADDLE, SWINGLE, ~, CROSS-TREES; (arch.) gibbet, cross used for (esp. Christ's) crucifixion; CHRISTMAS ~; (Math.)

diagram of branching lines; *family* or GENEALOGICAL ~; *up a ~*, (fig.) cornered, nonplussed; *at the top of the ~*, at the top of one's profession. 2. ~ *agate* (with ~-like markings); ~ *calf*, calf binding for book stained with ~-like design; ~ *creeper*, kinds of small bird; ~ *fern*, kinds of fern attaining size of ~; ~ *frog*, (pop. name for) ~-toad; ~ *goose*, = BARNACLE¹ (1); ~ *milk*, juice of a shrub used in Ceylon instead of milk; ~ *naul*, pin of hard wood for securing planks; *of knowledge of good & evil* (Gen. i. liberty (dedicated to liberty & set public place); ~ *of life* (Gen. ii. 9); ~ *arboreal amphibian* with adhesive on digits enabling it to climb. ~LESS a., ~LESSNESS n. 3. v.t. (animal, fig. person) to take refuge in ~; stretch (boot) on boot-~. [(vb f. n.) OE *tréo* tree, timber, cf. ON *tré*, Da. *træ*, Sw. *trä*]

tré'foil, n. & a. Kinds of leguminous plant with leaves of three leaflets & flowers of various colours, clover; kinds of plant with similar leaves; three-lobed ornamentation in tracery etc.; (thing) arranged in three lobes, whence ~ED¹ (-ld) a. [f. OF *trifoil*, *trefeul*, f. L *TRI*(*folium* leaf)]

tréha'la (-ah-), n. Manna of starch, sugar, & gum, excreted in cocoon form by an insect in Turkey & Persia. [f. native *tigdlah*]

trék, v.i. (-kk-), & n. (S.-Afr.). 1. (Of ox) draw vehicle, pull load; travel by ox-wagon; migrate; proceed slowly. 2. n. Such journey, each stage of journey; organized migration. Hence ~k'ER¹ n. [f. Du. *trekken* vb, *trek* n.]

tréll'is, n., & v.t. 1. (Also ~-work) lattice, grating, of light wooden cross-bars nailed together where they cross, similar structure of wire or metal; summer-house, screen, etc., made of ~-work. 2. v.t. Furnish, support (vine etc.), with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *trellis* f. L *TRI*(*licem*, nom. -ix, f. *licium* warp-thread) three-ply]

trém'ble, v.i., & n. 1. Shake involuntarily from fear, agitation, physical weakness, etc., as *he ~ed with anger, voice ~ed with excitement, hands ~e from over-smoking etc.*; (fig.) be in state of extreme agitation, fear, suspense, etc., as *I ~e to think what has become of him, ~e at the thought, no cause to ~e before his fudge, hear & ~e* (be duly impressed)!, *I ~e* (am alarmed) *for his safety, in ~ing uncertainty*; move in quivering manner, as *leaves ~e in the breeze, ~ing* POPLAR; (fig.) *his fate, life, etc., ~es in the balance* (has reached a critical point, is in extreme danger). Hence or cogn. ~EMENT n. (poet., rare), ~INGLY¹ adv., ~Y¹ a. 2. n. ~ing, quiver, as *there was a ~e in her voice*, (colloq.) *was all of a ~e* (~ing all over); (pl.) kinds of (esp. cattle-) disease, with

~ing. [(n. f. vb) f. F *trembler* f. med. L *tremulare* as TREMULOUS]

trēm'bler, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: automatic vibrator for making & breaking electric circuit; electric bell. [-ER¹]

trēm'ellōse, a. (bot.). Jellylike, shaking like jelly. [f. mod. L *Tremella*, genus of jellylike fungi, + -OSE¹]

trēmē'dous, a. Awful, fearful, overpowering, (colloq.) considerable, as a ~ explosion, revolution, makes a ~ difference, a ~ (huge) bluebottle. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *tremendus* (*tremere* tremble, see -ND¹) + -OUS]

trēmōld'n'dō, adv. (mus.). Tremulously. [It.]

trēm'olant, -ūlant, n. Device in organ for producing tremolo effect. [(ol- f. It. *tremolante*) f. med. L as TREMBLE, see -ANT]

trēm'olō, n. (mus.). Tremulous effect in singing or in playing bowed instruments etc.; = prec. [It., as TREMULOUS]

trēm'or, n. (Of leaf, part of body, voice, person) shaking, quivering; thrill (of fear, exultation, etc.); intention ~ (in part of body when it moves to do something); metallic ~, trembling palsy of metal-workers. Hence ~LESS a. [ME & OF, f. L *tremore* (*tremere* tremble, see -OR¹)]

trēm'ulous, a. Trembling, quivering, as ~ leaves, voice, hand; ~ line (drawn by ~ hand); timid, vacillating. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *tremulus* (*tremere* tremble, shake) + -OUS]

trenail. Var. of TRENNAIL.

trench, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Dig ditch in (ground); turn over the earth of (field etc.) by digging succession of contiguous ditches; || cut groove in (wood etc.); proceed, make one's way, (down, along, etc.) by ~ing; encroach (up)on (person's rights, privacy, etc.); verge or border closely (up)on (heresy, vulgarity, etc.). Hence ~er¹ [-ER¹] n. 2. n. Deep furrow or ditch; (Mil.) ditch often 7 ft deep with earth thrown up to form parapet, as open (begin digging) the ~es, mount (guard in) the ~es. 3. ~cart, hand-cart on low wheels for use in ~es; ~coat, soldier's mackintosh; ~foot, affection of feet or legs with sloughing etc. caused by much standing in water; ~mortar, light simple kind throwing heavy charge of high explosive short distance for use in ~es. [f. OF *trenchier* cut prob. ult. f. L *truncare* TRUNCATE]

trench'ant, a. Sharp, keen, as ~ sword, blade, (now rare in lit. sense); (fig., of style, language, policy, etc.) penetrating, incisive, decisive, vigorous. Hence **trench'ancy** n., ~LY² adv. [OF, part. as prec.]

trencher¹. See TRENCH.

trench'er², n. Wooden platter now chiefly used for cutting bread on at table; (arch.) the pleasures of the table, eating, (chiefly attrib. or in comb., as ~ companions, ~saliant; good, poor, etc., ~man,

groat, small, etc., eater); ~cap, square college cap; ~fed, (of hounds) kept by separate members of the hunt, not all together in hunt kennels. [f. OF *trenchcoir* (as TRENCH)]

trēnd, v.i., & n. 1. Have specified general direction, bend or turn away in specified direction, as coast ~s (towards the) south; (fig.) be chiefly directed, have general tendency, (towards etc.). 2. n. General direction & tendency (esp. fig. of events, opinion, etc.). [(n. f. vb) OE *trendan* cf. Da. & Sw. *trinda* a. round]

trēn'tal, n. Set of 30 successive daily masses for the dead. [f. mod. L *trentale* f. L *triginta* thirty + -AL]

trente-et-guarante (see Ap.), n. = ROUGE¹-et-noir. [F. = 30 & 40]

trēpān'¹, n., & v.t. (-nn-). 1. Surgeon's cylindrical saw for removing part of bone of skull to relieve brain; borer for sinking shafts. 2. v.t. Perforate (skull) with ~. So **trēpana'tion**, ~n'ing¹, nn. [f. F *trépan*(er) n. & vb f. med. L *trepanum* f. Gk *trupanon* (*trupāō* bore f. *trupā* hole)]

trēpān'², v.t. (-nn-). Trap, ensnare, beguile, (into, from, place etc., into doing). [f. obs. *trapan* a decoy; perh. connected w. *trap*]

trēpāng', n. Edible sea-slug used in China for soup. [f. Malay *tripang*]

trēphine' (-ēn, -in, n., & v.t. 1. Improved form of *trepan* with guiding centre-pin. 2. v.t. Operate on (skull, eyeball, person) with this. So **trēphina'tion** n. [(vb f. n.) assim. of *TRÉPAN*¹ to L *tres fines* three onds w. ref. to its shape]

trēpidā'tion, n. Alarm, flurry; trembling of limbs e.g. in paralysis; (hist.) oscillation of ecliptic formerly assumed to account for precession of equinoxes etc. [f. L *trepidationem* (*trepidare* be agitated, tremble, f. *trepidus* flurried, see -ATION)]

trēs'pass, v.i., & n. 1. Make unlawful or unwarrantable intrusion (on, upon, land, rights, etc., or abs.; ~ on one's pre-serves, fig., meddle in a matter that he has made his own); make unwarrantable claim on (chiefly in polite formulas, as shall ~ on your hospitality); offend (against person, law, principle, rights; now literary), as forgive them that ~ against us. Hence ~er¹ n. 2. n. Transgression of law or right; (Law) any transgression that is not (misprision of) treason or felony; ~ing (see vb, 1st sense) on another's land with damage; (also action of ~) common-law action for recovery of damages for ~; ~-offering, sacrifice atoning for ~ against Mosaic law. [(n. f. OF *trespas*) f. OF *trespasser* pass over, trespass (*tres*- TRANS- + *passer* PASS)]

trēss, n., & v.t. 1. Portion, lock, plait, of hair of human esp. woman's or girl's head; (pl.) hair of esp. woman's or girl's head. Hence (-)~ED² (-st), ~Y², aa. 2. v.t. Arrange (hair) in ~es (chiefly in

p.p.). [(vb f. *F tresser*) f. *F tresse*, cf. med. *L trectia* perh. f. Gk *trikha* threefold (TRI-)]
tré'stle (-sl), n. Supporting structure for table or flat form or carpenter's work etc., consisting of bar supported by two divergent pairs of legs or of two frames fixed at an angle or hinged; (also ~work) open braced framework of wood or metal for supporting bridge etc.; (Naut., also ~tree) each of a pair of horizontal pieces on lower mast supporting topmast etc. [f. OF *trestel* ult. f. dim. of *L transtrum* TRANSON]

|| **trét**, n. (hist.). Allowance of extra weight formerly made to purchasers of some goods for waste in transportation. [perh. f. OF *traite* transportation etc. (as TRAIT)]
trevet. See TRIVET.

|| **trews** (-ūz), n. pl. Tartan trousers, esp. as worn by some Scottish regiments. [Ir. *trius* f. *trouse* see TROUSERS]

trey (trā), n. Card, die, with three spots. [f. OF *treis* three f. *L tres*]

tri-, pref. = *L* & Gk *tri-* three-, having or composed of three, triple, as: ~*adelphous*, with stamens in 3 sets; ~*androus*, with 3 stamens; ~*ap'sidal*, with 3 apses; ~*bās'ic*, with 3 hydrogen atoms replaceable by base or basic radical; ~*brāch'ial* (-k-), three-armed implement etc., esp. a flint implement; ~*cap'sular* (Bot., Zool.), with 3 capsules (to each flower); ~*carp'ous*, bearing 3 fruits or carpels; ~*centēn'ary* = TERCENTENARY; ~*chord* (-k-) a. & n., three-stringed (instrument esp. lute), (of piano) with 3 strings to each note; ~*chromat'ic* (-kr-), three-coloured (~*chromatic photography*, THREE-colour process), (of the eye) having the normal three colour sensations, i.e. red, green, & purple, so ~*chrōm'atism* (-kr-) n.; ~*corn*, having 3 horns, (u. also ~*corne*) three-cornered cocked hat: ~*corp'oral*, ~*corp'orate*, (Her.) having 3 bodies & one head; ~*cotylēd'ous*, with 3 cotyledons; ~*crot'ic*, (of pulse) with 3 beats; ~*cūs'pid*, with 3 cusps or points, as ~*cuspid valve* of heart, ~*cuspid murmur* (heard when this is deranged); ~*duc'tyl(ous)*, with 3 fingers or toes; ~*den'tate*, with 3 teeth or prongs; ~*dī'gitate*, = ~*dactyl*; ~*dimen'sional*, of 3 dimensions; ~*fā'cial* a. & n., (of) the trigeminus; ~*flor'al*, ~*flor'ous*, bearing 3 flowers; ~*fol'iate*, ~*fol'iolate*, (of compound leaf) with 3 leaflets, (of plants) having such leaves; ~*fol'iated*, (Bot.) = prec., (Archit.) trefoiled; ~*form(ed)*, formed of 3 parts, having 3 forms or bodies; ~*furc'ate* (-at) a., divided into three forks, (v.t. & i., -āt) divide thus; ~*gēm'inā* a. & n., triple, (of) the ~*geminus*; ~*gēm'inus*, cranial nerve with the 3 functions of motion, common sensation, & taste; ~*glot*, written in 3 languages; ~*goneut'ic* (Entom.), having 3

broods in a year; ~*gram*, ~*graph*, group of 3 letters representing one sound; ~*gynous* (tri'j), having 3 pistils; ~*hēd'ral*, with 3 surfaces; ~*jug'ate*, ~*jug'ous*, (-jō-), (Bot.), having, arranged in, 3 pairs; ~*lāb'iate*, three-lipped; ~*lām'inar*, of 3 layers; ~*lāl'eral* a. & n. (adv. -lly), of 3 sides, (of dealings) to which there are 3 parties, (n.) triangle; ~*lemm'a*, choice between 3 things; ~*līn'ear*, of 3 lines; ~*līng'ual* (-ngw-), of, expressed in, 3 languages; ~*lū'eral*, of 3 letters, (of Semitic languages) having (most of) their roots in 3 consonants, so ~*lū'eralism*, ~*literal'ity*, nn.; ~*lith*, monument of 3 stones, esp. two upright & one across their tops, so ~*lith'ic* a.; ~*lōb'ate*, three-lobed; ~*lobile*, member of palaeozoic group of animals with body in 3 main divisions, so ~*lobil'ic* a.; ~*lob'ular*, with 3 cells or compartments; ~*men'sual*, ~*menstr'ial*, occurring every 3 months; ~*trīn'eros*, of 3 members or joints (also 3-merous); ~*morph'ism*, ~*morph'ous*, (Biol., Bot., Crystallog.), existence, existing, in 3 distinct forms; ~*nerve'ate*, three-nerved; ~*neū'al* (Anat., Bot.), having 3 joints; ~*nōm'ial* a. & n., (technical name, algebraical expression) consisting of 3 terms; ~*nōm'ialism*, use of 3 terms in naming objects in natural history; ~*oe'cious* (-esh-), having male, female, & hermaphrodite flowers each on different plants; ~*ox'ide*, oxide containing 3 oxygen atoms; ~*penn'ate*, = ~*pinnate*; ~*pēt'alous*, having 3 petals; ~*trīph'thong*, 3 vowels forming one sound; ~*trīph'thong'al* (-nggl), so formed; ~*phyll'ous*, three-leaved; ~*pinn'ate*, having 3 series of leaflets; ~*rād'ial*, ~*rād'iale(d)*, radiating in 3 directions; ~*sēr'ial*, ~*sēr'iate*, (Anat., Bot.) disposed in 3 rows; ~*sperm'ous*, containing 3 seeds; ~*spor'ous*, ~*spor'ic*, having 3 spores; ~*tris'tichous* (-k-), arranged in 3 vertical rows; ~*stīpnat'ic*, ~*styl'ous*, (Bot.), having 3 stigma, styles; ~*sulc'ate*, (Bot.) three-grooved, (Zool.) divided into 3 digits or hoofs; ~*tern'ate*, (Bot.) thrice ternate, having 27 leaflets; ~*tone*, (Mus.) interval of 3 tones; ~*triv'alent* (Chem.), having combining power of 3.

tri'able, a. That may be tried. [-ABLE]
triācōntahēd'ral, a. Having 30 sides or surfaces. [f. Gk *triakonta* 30 + *hedra* seat, -AL]

tri'ad, n. Group of three; (Chem.) element, radical, with combining power of three; (Mus.) chord of three notes, common chord; Welsh form of literary composition depending on arrangement in groups of three. Hence **triād'** to a. [f. *L* f. Gk *trias* -ados (treis three, see -AD)]

|| **tri'age**, n. Refuse of coffee-beans. [F, = sifting (as TRY, see -AGE)]

tri'al, n. 1. Process or mode of testing the

qualities of a thing, experimental treatment, test, as *made ~ of his strength, was found on ~ to be incompetent, shall subject or put it to further ~, will make the ~ (try the experiment), has been making ~s or (attrib.) ~ ascents with an aeroplane; ~ of the PYX; bicycle is hired, clerk employed, on ~ (to be retained only if efficient), will give you a ~ (employ you on ~); = **HEAT**¹; = ~ **match**. 2. Trying thing or experience or person, esp. hardship, trouble, as *old age has many ~s, fear you will find the boy, the piano next door, a great ~*. 3. Judicial examination & determination of issues between parties by judge with or without jury or by referee etc., as *was on his ~ or stood or underwrote ~ for murder, granted a new ~ (on ground of error or injustice in former ~)*. 4. ~ **balance** (of ledger in double-entry book-keeping, comparison of Dr & Cr totals, inequality of which reveals certain errors in posting; ~ *eights*, two experimental crews tried against each other with a view to selection of crew for boat-race; ~ **match**, game of cricket, football, etc., in which players who may be selected for an important team take part; ~ *trip*, new vessel's trip to test sailing qualities etc., (fig.) experiment. [Af (TRY, -AL)]*

tri'angle (-ngg), n. 1. Figure (esp. plane) bounded by three (esp. straight) lines, as *equilateral, isosceles, scalene, right-angled, ~, spherical ~* (formed on surface of sphere by intersection of three great circles); any three points not in one straight line together with the imaginary lines joining them. 2. Implement etc. of this shape, e.g. right-angled ~ as drawing-implement. (Naut.) device of three spars for raising weights, (Mus.) rod of polished steel in form of ~ open at one angle sounded by striking with steel rod, (hist.) frame of three halberds joined at top to which soldier was bound for flogging; the **ETERNAL ~**; ~s of the neck (regions into which it is divided for surgical purposes); (T~) a northern constellation. 3. *Solution of a ~*, finding of the remaining angles & sides when some are given; ~ of forces, ~ whose sides represent in magnitude & direction three forces in equilibrium, fact that such forces can always be represented by a ~. [f. L *triangulum* f. TRI-(*angulus* ANGLE) a.]

triáng'ular (-ngg-), a. Of the shape of a triangle, three-cornered, so **triáng'uloid** (-ngg-) a.; ~ *treaty, duel*, etc. (between three parties); ~ *compasses* (with three legs); ~ *numbers*, sums of the series 1, 2, 3, etc., taken to any number of terms, e.g. 1, 6, 28, 55 (w. ref. to mode of disposing such number of points in form of equilateral triangle); ~ *pyramid* (with ~ base). Hence ~**ITY** (-nggú'lá-r-) n., ~**LY**² adv. [f. LL *triangularis* (as prec., see -AR¹)]

triáng'ul'áte¹ (-ngg-), v.t. Make triangular; divide (area etc.) into triangles for surveying purposes; determine (height, distance, etc.) thus. Hence ~**ATION** n. [f. TRIANGLE + -ATE¹]

triáng'ulate² (-ngg-), a. (zool.). Marked with triangles. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. med. L *triangulatus* (prec., -ATE²)]

tri'ás, n. (geol.). Division of rocks underlying the Jurassic. Hence **triáss'ic** a. [as TRIAD, f. threefold subdivision in Germany]

triát'ic stay, n. (naut.). Stay connecting masts in fore-&-aft-rigged ships. [?]

trib'adism, n. Unnatural vice between women. [f. L f. Gk *tribas -ados* lewd woman (*tribō rub*) + -ISM]

trib'alism, n. Tribal organization. [-ISM]

tribe, n. 1. Group of barbarous clans under recognized chiefs; (Rom. Hist.) each of the political divisions (orig. three, probably representing clans, ultimately 35) of the Romans; any similar division whether of natural or political origin, e.g. *the twelve ~s of the Israelites (the ten ~s, these without Judah & Benjamin; the lost ~s, the ten ~s after deportation by Shalmaneser)*. 2. (zool., bot.). Group of plants or animals usu. ranking between genus & order. 3. (usu. derog.). Set, number, of persons esp. of one profession etc., as *the whole ~ of parasites, actors, the scribbling ~*. 4. ~s'man, member of a ~ or of one's own ~. Hence **trib'al** a., **trib'al'ly** adv. [f. L *tribus*, etym. dub.] **trib'lét**, **trib'olét**, n. Mandrel used in making tubes, rings, etc. [f. F *triboulet*, etym. dub.]

tribōm'eter, n. Sledlike apparatus for measuring friction. [f. F *tribomètre* f. Gk *tribos* rubbing + -METER]

trib'räch (-k), n. Metrical foot ~ ~ ~. Hence **trib'räch'ig** (-k-) a. [f. L f. Gk TRI(*brakhus* short)]

tribülä'tion, n. Severe suffering or trial. [OF (-cion), f. LL *tribulationem* (*tribulare* press, oppress, f. *tribulum* sled for threshing, f. *terere* trib-rub, see -ATION)]

tribün'al, n. Judgement-seat, seat or bench for judge(s) or magistrate(s); court of justice (rhet., & often fig., as *before the ~ of public opinion*); || (in the 1914-18 war) local board hearing claims for exemption from military service. [L (as TRIBUNE¹, see -AL)]

trib'ün'e¹, n. 1. (Rom. hist.). (Also ~s of the people) each of (orig. two, ultimately ten) officers chosen by the people to protect their liberties against senate & consuls; kinds of military, fiscal, & other officers. 2. (transf.). Popular leader or demagogue (*the T~e*, often as newspaper title). Hence or cogn. ~**ATE**¹(1), ~**SHIP**, nn., ~**ARY**¹, ~**I'CIAL**, ~**I'tial**, (-ahl), ~**I'CIAN** (-ishn), aa. [f. L *tribunus* (as TRIBUNE¹)]

trib'üne², n. Raised floor for magistrate's chair in apse of Roman basilica; bishop's

tributary

throne, apse containing this, in basilica; platform, pulpit, esp. that used by speakers in French Chamber of Deputies. [F, f. med. L *tribuna* (prec.)]

trib'ūtār|y, a. & n. 1. Paying, subject to, tribute, as *~y States*; contributory, auxiliary; (of river) serving to swell a larger river. 2. n. *~y State*, person, stream. Hence *~ily²* adv., *~iness* n. [f. L *tributarius* (as foll., see -ARY¹)]

trib'ūte, n. Money or equivalent paid periodically by one prince or State to another in acknowledgement of submission or as price of peace or protection, or by virtue of treaty; state of being subject to *~*, as *was laid under ~*; (fig.) contribution, esp. thing done, said, given, etc., as mark of respect etc., as *the ~ of a tear. will not withhold my ~ of praise, the ~s* (gifts, compliments, attentions) *of her admirers, floral ~s* (flowers to actress, at funeral, etc.); || (Mining) proportion of ore, its equivalent, paid to miner for his work, *~work* (so paid). [f. L *tributum* (*tribuere* -ut- give)]

tric'ār, n. Three-wheeled motor-car. [TRI-]

trice¹, v.t. (naut.). Haul up (usu. *up*); haul up & secure in place (usu. *up*); tie up (usu. *up*). [f. MDu. *trisen* hoist, etym. dub.]

trice², n. In a *~*, in a moment. [prob. f. prec., but cf. Sp. *en un tris* in a trice (*tris* clink of breaking glass)]

tri'cēps, a. & n. 1. (Of muscle) three-headed. 2. n. *~ muscle*, esp. large muscle of back of arm. [L (TRI- + *caput* -itis head)]

trich'i. See TRICHINOPOLI.

trich'i'asis (-k-), n. Urinary disease in which hairlike filaments appear in urine; disease of breasts in child-bearing women; inversion of eyelashes; disease marked by matted state of hair. [LL, f. Gk *trikhiasis* (as foll., see -ASIS)]

trich'in'a (-k-), n. (pl. *~ae*). Hairlike worm parasitic in body of man, swine, rat, etc., usu. introduced into human body by use of imperfectly cooked pork, & causing often fatal disease. Hence *~i'ASIS*, *~iza'tion*, *~os'is*, nn., *~ize(3)* v.t., *~ōsed²* (-ed), *~ot'ic*, *~ous*, aa. [f. Gk *trichinos* of hair (TRICHO- + *INE²*)]

trichinōp'oli, **trich'i**, n. Kind of Indian cheroot. [*Trichinopoly* in India]

trich(o)- (-k-) in comb. = Gk *thrix* *trikhos* hair, as: *~ogen* n., *~ō'genous* a., (preparation) promoting growth of hair; *~ōl'ogy*, study of the hair; *~opath'ic* a., *~ōp'athy* n., (treatment) of diseases of hair.

trich'ōme (-k-), n. Hair, scale, or other outgrowth from epidermis of plant. [f. Gk *trichōma* (*trikhōs* furnish with hair, see prec. & -M)]

trichōs'is (-k-), n. Any disease of hair. [as TRICHO- + *-OSIS*]

trichōt'om|y (-k-), n. Division into three, esp. of human nature into body, soul, & spirit. Hence *~ous* a. [f. Gk *trikha* three-fold (*treis* three) + *-TOMY*]

trick, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Fraudulent device or stratagem, as *I suspect some ~*, *~ of the TRADE, shall not serve me that ~ twice*.

2. Feat of skill or dexterity, knack, precise mode of doing or dealing with a thing, as *conjurer's ~s*, *do the ~* (sl., = accomplish one's purpose), *my dog knows no ~s*, *I know a ~ worth two of that* (better expedient), *shall soon get or learn the ~ of it* (best way of doing or handling it), (attrib.) *~ cyclist* etc. 3. Peculiar or characteristic practice, habit, mannerism, as *has a ~ of repenting himself, these are private-school ~s*, *style is disfigured by ~s*, *must cure himself of the ~ of archaism*.

4. Mischievous or foolish or discreditable act, practical joke, prank, as *is always playing mad ~s*, *a dirty or shabby or dog's ~ to play on anyone*. 5. (cards). The cards played in a round, as *take up the ~*; such round, point gained as result of this, as *won, lost, saved, the ~*; the ODD *~*.

6. (naut.). Man's turn at helm, usu. two hours. 7. *~line*, cord used in making changes in pantomime; *~ scene* (made without dropping curtain); *~ wig* (of which hair can be made to stand on end).

8. vb. Deceive by *~*, cheat, (person, often out of thing, *into doing*, etc.); (of thing) foil, baffle, disappoint the calculations of, take by surprise; play *~s*; (usu. *~ out* or *up*) dress, decorate, deck. Hence *~'ER¹*, *~'ERY* (4, 5), *~'STER*, nn., *~'ISH* (now rare, = TRICKY) a. [vb f. n., f. OF *trique* = *triche* (*trechier* see TREACHEROUS)]

trick'kle, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of liquid) flow in drops or in small stream, as *tears ~ed down her cheeks*, *water ~es through crevice*, (fig.) *the information ~ed* (came gradually) out; cause (liquid) to do this, pour out in drops; *~e charger*, accumulator charger that works at a low rate. 2. n. *~ing stream*. Hence *~ET¹* n., *~Y²* a. [MF *triklen*, etym. dub.]

trick'sy, a. Playful, frolicsome; quaint. [perh. f. *tricks* pl. + *-Y²*, but cf. *tipsy*, *cocksy*, *Betsy*]

trick'rack, **tick'tack**, n. Complicated form of backgammon. [f. F *trictrac*, prob. imit. of sound]

trick'y, a. Crafty, prone to deceit; skilful at evasion, resourceful, adroit; (of task etc.) requiring adroitness, full of pitfalls, ticklish. Hence *~ily²* adv., *~iness* n. [TRICK + *-Y²*]

triclin'ium, n. (Rom. Ant.; pl. *-ia*). Dining-table with couches along three sides, room containing this. [L, f. Gk *triklinion* f. *klinē* couch)]

tric'oline, n. Fine cotton poplin resembling silk. [P]

tri'colour, -or, (-üler), a. & n. 1. (Also ~ED^a a.) of three colours. 2. n. Flag of three colours in about equal proportions, esp. French national standard of blue, white, & red, adopted during Revolution. [f. F *tri(colore* f. L as COLOUR)]

tricot (trék'ô), n. Hand-knitted woollen fabric, imitation of this; kind of ribbed cloth; ~-*stitch*, kind of crochet stitch. [F, =knitting]

tri'cycle, n., & v.i. (Ride on) three-wheeled cycle. Hence ~IST¹ (n. [(vb f. n.) F (TRI-)]

trident, n. Three-pronged implement e.g. fish-spear; such spear or sceptre as attribute of Poseidon or Neptune. [f. L *TRI(dens -ntis tooth)*]

Tridentine, a. & n. 1. Of the Council of Trent (1545-63) esp. as basis of Roman Catholic doctrine & practice, as ~ *theology*. 2. n. Roman Catholic. [f. med. L *Tridentum* Trent + -INE¹]

triduo (tréd'ôô), **trid'uum**, n. (R.-C. Ch.). Three days' service of prayer in preparation for saint's day or for obtaining saint's intercession. [(o It.) f. L *TRI(duum f. dies day) space of three days*]

trienn'ial, a. & n. 1. Lasting, happening or done every, three years, as ~ *plants*, *parliaments*; T~ *Act* (requiring ~ parliaments, repealed 1716). 2. n. ~ plant; mass performed daily for three years for soul of dead person; every third anniversary of event. Hence ~LY¹ adv. [f. L *TRI(ennium f. annus year) space of three years* + -AL]

tri'er, n. In senses of TRY, esp. (also *trior*) person appointed to decide whether challenge to juror is well founded. [-ER¹]

tri'erarch (-k), n. (Gk Ant.). Commander of trireme; wealthy person compelled to build & equip trireme at his own expense. Hence ~AL (-k-) a. [f. L f. Gk *triër-arkhos f. triërës trireme + arkhō rule*]

tri'erarchy (-k-), n. Office, duty, of trierarch; (Athenian formation of fleet at expense of) the trierarchs. [f. Gk *triër-arkhia* (prec., -Y¹)]

trif'id, a. (bot., zool.). Partly or wholly divided into three, three-cleft. [f. L *TRI(fidus f. root of findere cleave)*]

trif'le, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Thing, fact, circumstance, of slight value or importance, as *wastes time on ~s*, *the merest ~ puts him out*, (iron.) *shall probably break our necks, but that is a ~*; small amount esp. of money, as *spare a ~ for the porter*, (adv.) *seems a ~ (rather) angry*; confection of whipped cream or white of eggs, with pastry etc. soaked in wine, fruit, almonds, etc.; common pewter; ~-ring, kinds of puzzle-ring. 2. vb. Talk or act frivolously; ~ with, treat (person, thing, matter) with flippancy or derision, refuse

to take seriously, (also) occupy oneself carelessly with, toy with, (novel, cigarette, etc.); throw or fool away (time, energies, money, etc., on object); (part.) *a trifling error*, *correction*, *circumstance*, etc. (unimportant). Hence trifler¹ n., triflingly¹ adv. [(vb f. n.) ME & OF *trifles* mockery, var. of *truffe* jest, etym. dub.]

trifor'ium, n. (pl. -ia). Gallery, usu. in form of arcade, above arches of nave & choir (& transepts) of church. [med. (Anglo-)L, etym. dub.; prob. not f. TRI- + L *fores* door, being applied f. 12th to 18th cc. only to Canterbury, where the openings are not triple]

trig', a., v.t. (-gg-), & n. 1. Trim, spruce, smart. 2. v.t. Smarten, deck, (often up, out); || check, stop, (wheel) with skid, stone, etc.; prop up. 3. n. Obstacle etc. used. [cf. ON *tryggja* vb (*tryggr* firm)]

trig', school abbr. of *trigonometry*.

trig'am'ous, a. Thrice married or having three wives or husbands at once, whence or cogn. ~IST, ~Y¹, nn.; (Bot.) having male, female, & hermaphrodite flowers in same head (cf. *TRIOECIOUS*). [f. LL f. Gk *TRI(gamos -married) + -OUS*]

trigg'er (-g-), n. Device for releasing spring or catch & so setting mechanism in action, esp. projecting tongue in firearm that liberates hammer of lock; HAIR ~. Hence (-)~ED^a (-gerd) a. [earlier *tricker* f. Du. *trekker* (trekken pull, cf. TREK)]

trig'lyph, n. Each of the grooved tablets alternating with metopes in Doric frieze. Hence ~AL, **triglyph'ic**(AL), aa. [f. L f. Gk *TRI(glyphos f. gluphō carve)*]

trig'on, n. (Astron.) each of four groups (*watery, earthy, airy, fiery*, ~) of three signs of zodiac; triangular instrument used in dialling; = *TRIANGLE*; (Gk Ant.) game at ball for three persons, (also *trigōn'on*) triangular lyre or harp; (Math.) triangle, whence **trig'on'ic** a. [f. L f. Gk *TRI(gōnon f. gōnia angle) triangle*]

trig'on'al, a. (Math.) triangular; (Bot., Zool.) triangular in cross-section, as ~AL *stem*, *antennae*. Hence or cogn. ~ALLY¹ adv., ~OUS a. [-AL]

trigonōm'eter, n. Instrument for solution of plane right-angled triangles by inspection. [TRI(ON + -o + -METER)]

trigonōm'etry, n. Branch of mathematics dealing primarily with relations of sides & angles of a triangle, much used in astronomy, surveying, & navigation. Hence ~OMÉT'IC(AL) aa., ~OMÉT'RICALLY¹ adv. [TRI(ON + -o + -METRY)]

trike, n. & v.i. (colloq.). = *TRICYCLE*. [abbr.]

trill'by, n. || ~ (*hat*), soft felt kind (colloq.); (pl., sl.) feet. [f. G. du Maurier's novel *T~* (1894)]

trill, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of person or thing) give forth sound with tremulous vibration, as ~ing *laughter*; sing (t. & l.) in quavering manner, esp. (Mus.) with shake,

2. n. Quavering sound, esp. (Mus.) quick alternation of two notes a (semi)tone apart, shake; consonant pronounced with ~ing sound, e.g. *r*. [(n. f. vb) f. *It. trillare* imit.]

trill'ing, n. Compound crystal of three individuals; each of three children born at a birth. [*f. L tres* + *-LING*¹]

trill'ion (-lyon), n. & a. || A million million; *(after *F*) a million million. Hence ~*TH*² a. & n. [*f. TRI-* on *MILLION*, cf. *BILLION*]

tril'ogy, n. (Gk Ant.) set of three tragedies to be performed in immediate succession; set of three literary compositions, speeches, etc., each complete in itself but with common theme. [*f. Gk TRI*(logia -LOGY)]

trim, a., v.t. & i. (-mm-), & n. 1. In good order, well arranged or equipped, neat, spruce, whence ~*LY*¹ adv., ~*NESS* n. **2. vb.** Set in good order, make neat or tidy, remove irregular or superfluous or unsightly parts from, (lamp or strictly its wick, hedge, board, etc.); remove (such parts, often *off, away*) by clipping, pruning, plucking, etc.; make (person, oneself, often *up*) neat in dress & appearance; ornament (dress etc. with ribbon, lace, etc.); (of school of fish) ~ (move along close to) *the shore*; (Naut.) adjust balance of (ship, boat) by distribution of cargo or passengers etc., arrange (yards, sails) to suit wind, as ~ *BY*² *the head, stern*; hold middle course in politics or opinion, attach oneself to neither of contesting parties, be a time-server; (colloq.) rebuke sharply, thrash, cheat out of money, worst in bargain etc.; (colloq.) ~ person's *jacket*, flog him. **3. n.** State, degree, of adjustment or readiness or fitness, as *found everything in perfect ~, am in no ~* (state of dress, health, etc.) *for rough work, in fighting ~*, (of ship, & fig.) ready for battle; good order (esp. Naut.), as *in, out of, ~*; (Naut.) ~ (relative position) *of the masts*. [(n. f. vb, OE *trymian* make firm, set in order) f. OE *trum* strong, cf. LG *trim*]

trim'eter, n. & a. (Verse) consisting of three measures (see *DIMETER*), esp. *iambic ~*, six-foot iambic line usual in ancient Greek dramatic dialogue. Hence *trim'et'ric*(AL) aa. [*f. L f. Gk TRI*(*metros* f. *metron* measure)]

trimm'er, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who trims articles of dress, as *coat, hat, ~*; person who stands neutral, time-server, (orig. of party following Marquis of Halifax 1680-90); kinds of instrument for clipping etc.; piece of timber framed across opening (e.g. for hearth) to carry ends of the truncated joists. [-*MR*¹]

trimm'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: ornamentation of lace etc. on dress etc.; (pl.,

colloq.) *leg of mutton* etc. & ~s (accessories). [-*ING*¹]

trine, a. & n. 1. Threefold, triple, made up of three parts, whence *trin'AL, trin'ARY*¹, aa.; ~ *asperion* or *immersion*, thrice sprinkling in baptism; (Astrol. of a ~, in ~. **2. n.** (astrol.). Aspect of two planets 120° apart; *in ~*, so related (to). [*f. F trin, trine* f. *L trinus* threefold (*tres* three)]

tringle(tring'gl), n. Curtain-rod; supporting rod for canopy of bedstead; (Archit.) small square moulding or ornament; (Gunnery) bar on traversing-platform to check recoil. [*F, etym. dub.*]

trinitotöl'üene, -üöl, n. A high explosive (abbr. T.N.T. or TNT). [*f. TRI-, NITRO-, TOLU-, -ENE, -OL*]

trin'ity, n. 1. Being three; group of three; *the T~*, union of three persons (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) in one Godhead, doctrine of this, whence *Trinitar'ian*(ism) nn.; symbolical representation of the T~ in art. **2. ~ ring**, kinds of ancient bronze ring with three bosses etc. found in Ireland; *T~ Sunday*, next after Whit-sunday; || *T~ Brethren*, members of *T~ House*, association concerned with licensing of pilots, erection of lighthouses, etc.; || *T~ TERM*. [*f. OF trinite* f. *LL trinitatem* (as *TRINE*, see -TY)]

trink'et, n. Trifling ornament, jewel, etc., worn on the person; small fancy article. Hence ~*RY*(1.5) n. [*f. 16th c., etym. dub.*; cf. obs. *trenkel* (TRENCH) small knife, & *trick*]

tri'o (-öö, -iö), n. (pl. ~s). **1.** (mus.). Composition for three vocal or instrumental parts; set of three performers; second division of minuet, march, etc., orig. performed by ~ of instruments; *piano ~*, for violin, violoncello, & piano. **2.** Set of three persons etc.; three aces, kings, queens, or knaves, in piquet. [*F f. It., f. L tres* three]

tri'öde, a. (Of wireless valves) having three electrodes. [*TRI-* + Gk *hodos* way]

tri'öle (trö-), n. (mus.). =TRIPLET. [dim. of *TRIO*]

tri'olèt (or tröt), n. Poem of 8 (usu. 8-syllabled) lines with rhymes as shown, first line recurring as fourth & seventh & second as eighth (cat dog bat cat fat hog cat dog). [*F* (-LET)]

Triön'ës (-z), n. pl. =CHARLES'S WAIN. [*L, =plough-oxen*]

trior. See *TRIEN*.

trip, v.i. & t. (-pp-), & n. 1. Walk or dance with quick light tread, (fig., of rhythm etc.) run lightly, whence ~*p'ingly*¹ adv. **2.** (arch.). Take journey or excursion, whence (in mod. use) || ~*p'ER*¹ n., person who goes on a ~ esp. for a day to seaside or other resort. **3.** Make false step, stumble, (often *over* obstacle); make mistake, commit inconsistency or inac-

curacy or moral delinquency, as *caught him ~ping in his dates, all apt to ~*; (of person or obstacle) cause (person) to stumble by entangling or suddenly arresting his feet (often *up*); detect (person) in blunder (often *up*). 4. (Naut.) loose (anchor) from bottom by means of cable, turn (yard etc.) from horizontal to vertical position; release (part of machine) suddenly by withdrawing catch etc. 5. n. Journey, voyage, excursion esp. for pleasure, as *round ~* (to a place & back). *cheap ~s to the Riviera*. 6. Nimble step. 7. Stumble (lit. & fig.); ~ping or being ~ped up. 8. The fish caught during a voyage. 9. ~hammer, kind of TLT¹-hammer. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *treper*, *trip*(per), f. Teut., cf. MDu. *trippen*, G. *treppe* step]

tripartite (or *trip²*), a. Divided into 3 parts; (Bot., of leaf) divided into 3 segments almost to the base; ~ *indenture* (with 3 corresponding parts or copies); made, existing, between 3 parties, as ~ *treaty*. Hence ~LY² adv., **triparti'tion** n. [f. L *tripartitus* p.p. of *partiri* divide f. *pars* -rtis part)]

tripe, n. Principal part of stomach of ox etc. as food, as *will stand anything but ~* (arch. & ~); (now vulg., usu. pl.) entrails, belly; || (sl.) inferior stuff, nonsense, easy bowling etc.; ~ *de-roche* (trêp'derôsh') [F, lit. rock-~,] bitter nutritive vegetable substance obtained from some lichens & used at a pinch by hunters etc. as food; ~man, man who prepares & hawks ~. Hence **trip'ERY**(3) n. [OF, cf. Sp. & Port. *tripa*, etym. dub.]

trip'plane, n. Aeroplane with three planes. [TRI-, PLANE³]

trip'ple, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Threefold, of three parts (often in comb., as ~headed, ~nerred); T~ *Alliance*, (1) between England, Sweden, & Netherlands, in 1608 against Louis XIV, (2) between France, Great Britain, & Netherlands, in 1717 chiefly against Spain, (3) between Germany, Austria, & Italy, in 1882-3 against Russia & France; ~ *crown*, pope's tiara; T~ *ENTENTE*; (Mus.) ~ *time* (of 3 or 9 beats in bar). 2. vb. Increase (t. & i.) threefold; be three times as great or many as; alter (engine) to ~ expansion. [(vb f. adj.) F, f. L *tripplus* f. Gk *triplous*]

trip'let, n. Set of three things; 3 verses rhyming together; (Mus.) 3 notes performed in the time of two; (colloq.) each of 3 children born at a birth; (Naut.) 3 links of chain between cable & anchoring. [f. prec. + -ET¹]

trip'lëx, a. & n. 1. Triple, threefold; ~ *glass* (P; also ~) unsplinterable glass used in motor-cars etc., consisting of a transparent sheet of plastic material between two sheets of glass. 2. n. (Mus.). Triple time; composition in three parts. [L *triplex* -plicis f. *plicare* fold] three-fold]

trip'licate¹, a. & n. 1. Threefold, esp. of which three copies are made, as ~ *certificate*; ~ *ratio* of two numbers, ratio of their cubes. 2. n. Each of a set of 3 copies or corresponding parts, state of being ~, as *document drawn up in ~*. [f. L *triplicare* (TRIPLEX), -ATE¹]

trip'licite², v.t. Trouble, make triplicate. So ~A'TION, ~ATURE, nn. [-ATE²]

trip'lice (-châ), n. =TRIPLE *alliance* (3). [It., =triple]

tripli'city, n. State of being triple. [f. LI. *triplicitatem* (TRIPLEX, -ITY)]

trip'od, n. Stool, table, utensil, resting on three feet or legs, whence ~AL a.; three-legged stand for supporting camera etc.; (Gk Ant.) bronze altar at Delphi on which priestess sat to utter oracles, imitation of this esp. as prize in Pythian games etc. [f. L *tripus* f. Gk *tripous* podos foot)]

trip'oli, n. =ROTTEN-stone. [f. T~ in Africa]

|| **trip'os**, n. (Camb. univ.). (List of successful candidates in) honours examination. [as TRIPOD, w. ref. to stool on which B.A. sat to deliver satirical speech at commencement]

tripper. See TRIP.

trip'tych (-ik), n. Picture or carving on three panels side by side, set of three associated pictures so placed; set of three writing-tablets hinged or tied together. [f. Gk *triptykhon* f. *plussô* fold] three-layered, neut. adj. as n.]

|| **tripud'iâte**, v.i. (pedant.). Dance for joy; dance in triumph or contempt upon. [f. L *tripudare* (*tripudium* a dance, perh. f. TRI-, *pes* pedis foot), -ATE¹]

triquët ra, n. (pl. -ac). Symmetrical ornament of three interlaced arcs. [L, fem. of TRI(*quetrus* unexpl.) three-cornered]

triquët'rous, a. Three-cornered, esp. (Bot., of stem) having 3 acute angles. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L as prec. + -OUS]

tri'rème, n. Ancient esp. Greek warship with three banks of oars. [f. L *tri(remis* f. *remus* oar)]

Tri'sag'ion (-g-), n. Hymn esp. in Oriental Churches with triple invocation of God as holy. [f. Gk *trisagios* (*tris* thrice + *hagios* holy)]

trisëct', v.t. Divide (line, angle, etc.) into three esp. equal parts. Hence **trisëct'ion** n. [f. TRI- + L *secare* sect-out]

tris'mus (-z), n. (path.). Lockjaw. [f. Gk *trismos* creaking (*tristô* squeak)]

trist'ful, a. (arch.). Sad. [obs. *trist* f. OF *triale* f. L *tristis* sad + -FUL]

trisyll'able, n. Word of three syllables. **trisylláb'io** a., **trisylláb'ically** adv. [n. f. TRI- + SYLLABLE; adj. f. L f. Gk *tri(syllabos)*, see SYLLABLE] adj.]

trität'onist (or -agô'), n. Third actor in Greek play (cf. DEUTERAGONIST). [f. Gk *tritagonistês* (*tritos* third + *agonistês* actor, see AGONISTO)]

trite, a. (Of expression, sentiment, quotation, etc.) commonplace, hackneyed, worn out. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *terere trit-* rub]

tri'thēism, n. Doctrine that there are (esp. that Father, Son, & Holy Spirit are) 3 Gods. So ~IST n., ~is'tio(AL) aa. [TRI-]

Trit'on, n. (Gk Myth.) son of Poseidon & Amphitrite, each of a race of minor sea-gods usu. represented as men with fishes' tails & occas. with forefeet of horse & carrying shell-trumpet; ~ among the MINNOS; (~) kinds of gastropod & salamander. [L f. Gk *Trítōn*]

trit'ūrīāte, v.t. Grind to fine powder; grind with molar teeth, masticate thoroughly. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~A'TION, ~ātor²(1, 2), nn. [f. LL *tritūrare* f. L *tritūra* rubbing, as *TRITE*, see -URE & -ATE³]

tri'umph, n., & v.i. 1. (Rom. Ant.) procession & ceremony in honour of victory & victorious general; state of being victorious or successful, signal success, great achievement, thing that constitutes this, as *returned home in ~*, *has achieved great ~s*, *the ~s of science*, *hat is a ~ of ugliness*; joy at success, manifestation of this, exultation, as *great was his ~ on hearing etc.*, *could detect no ~ in his eye*. 2. v.i. (Rom. Ant.) enjoy a ~; gain victory, be successful, prevail, (over enemy, opposition, etc.); exult (over fallen enemy etc., or abs.), whence ~ingly² adv. [(vb f. OF *triumpher*) f. OF *triumphe* f. L *triumphus* cf. Gk *thriambos* hymn to Bacchus]

triūm'phal, a. Of, used in, celebrating, a triumph, as ~ car, progress, hymn; ~ crown (Roman general's laurel wreath); ~ arch (built to commemorate victory etc.). [f. F *triumphali* f. L *triumphalis* (as prec., see -AL)]

triūm'phant, a. Victorious, successful; (of person, speech, voice, etc.) exulting. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. F *triumphant* (as TRIUMPH vb, see -ANT)]

triūm'vir, n. (pl. ~s, ~i). (Rom. Ant.) each of three men united in office; (Rom. Hist.) each member of first or second triumvirate. Hence ~AL a. [L (*trium*, gen. of *tres* three, + *vir* man)]

triūm'virate, n. Office of a triumvir; set of triumviri; (Rom. Hist.) first ~, (coalition 60 B.C. between) Pompey, Julius Caesar, & Crassus, second ~, (that in 43 B.C. between) Mark Antony, Octavian, & Lepidus; party, set, of three. [f. L *triumviratus* (prec., see -ATE¹)]

tri'ūne, a. Three in one, as ~ Godhead. Hence triūn'ary n. [f. TRI- + L *unus* one]

triv'ēt, n. Iron tripod for holding cooking-vessels by the fire; iron bracket designed to hook on to bars of grate for similar purposes; *right* (orig. = steady) as a ~, (colloq.) all right (adj. & adv.), in good

health or position or circumstances; ~ table (with three feet). [earlier also *tre*; f. L *TRI(pes pedis)* foot] three-footed]

triv'ial, a. Of small value or importance, trifling, as ~ matters, a ~ loss (of something ~), *raised ~ objections*; (of person) trifling, shallow, lacking ability or moral qualities; commonplace, humdrum, as *the ~ round* (of daily life etc.); (Bot., Zool., of name) popular, not scientific, also, specific opp. to *generic*. Hence or cogn. ~ISM(2, 4), triv'ial'ITY, ~NESS, nn., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~LY² adv. [f. L *trivialis* commonplace f. TRI(vium f. via road) cross-road, see -AL]

triv'ium, n. (hist.). (In medieval schools) the first three liberal arts, grammar, rhetoric, & logic. [see prec.]

-trix, suf. forming fem. agent nn. corresp. to masc. nn. in -TOR, f. L *-trix -trix*, chiefly in legal terms (*executrix*, *administratrix*).

troat, v.i., & n. (Make) cry of rutting buck. [imit.]

trōc'ātr, n. (med.). Instrument used in dropsy etc. for withdrawing fluid from body. [F (*trois* three + *carre* side f. L *quadra* square)]

trochā'ic (-k-), a. & n. 1. (Composed) of trochees, as ~ DIMETER, TETRAMETER. 2. n. pl. ~ verse. [f. L f. Gk *trochaikos* (as TROCHEE, see -IO)]

trōch'al (-k-), a. (zool.). Wheel-shaped. [f. Gk *trochos* wheel (*trēkhō* run) + -AL]

trōchān'ter (-k-), n. (anat., zool.). Each of several bony processes on upper part of thighbone; second joint of insect's leg. [F, f. Gk *trochanter* ball of hip-bone (*trēkhō* run)]

trōche (-k-, -sh, trōk'ē), n. Small medicinal circular cake or lozenge. (back form. f. obs. *trochisk* (taken as *trochies* pl.) f. F *trochisque* f. L f. Gk *trochiskos* dim. of *trochos* wheel)

trōch'ee (-ki), n. Metrical foot ~. [f. L f. Gk *trochaïos* (pous) running foot (*trēkhō* run)]

trōch'il(us) (-k-), n. Kinds of small bird esp. (1) humming-bird, (2) bird mentioned by ancient writers as picking crocodile's teeth. [f. L f. Gk *trochilos* (*trēkhō* run)]

trōch'léa (-k-), n. (anat.; pl. ~ae). Pulley-like part or arrangement. Hence ~AR¹ (anat., bot.), ~ATE³ (bot.), aa. [f. L *trochlea* pulley, cf. Gk *trochilia*]

trōch'oid (-k-), a. & n. 1. (Anat.) rotating on its own axis; (of curve) generated by a point in the plane of one curve that rolls on another; (Conch.) top-shaped. 2. n. ~ joint, ~ curve, kinds of gastropod. Hence trochoid'AL (-k-) a. [f. Gk *trochoidēs* wheel-like (TROCHAL, -OID)]

trōchōm'eter (-k-), n. = HODOMETER. [as TROCHAL + -METER]

trod(den). See TREAD.

trög'lodýt'e, n. Cave-dweller, esp. of prehistoric W. Europe (often attrib.); (fig.) hermit; kinds of wren & anthropoid ape. Hence or cogn. **tröglodýt'io**(AL) aa., ~ISM(2) n. [f. L (-la) f. Gk *tröglodülēs* (*tröglē* cave + *duō* enter)]

troik'a, n. (Vehicle with) team of three horses abreast. [Russ.]

trois-temps (see Ap.), a. & n. ~ (*walls*), waltz in ordinary time (cf. *DEUX-TEMPS*). [F. = three-time]

Tröj'an, a. & n. (Inhabitant) of Troy; ~ *War* (between Greeks under Agamemnon & ~s under Priam); (fig.) person who works or fights or endures courageously, esp. like a ~. [f. L *Trojanus* f. *Troja* Troy f. L f. Gk *Trōs* Trojan, see -AN]

tröll', v.t. & i., & n. 1. Sing out in care-free spirit; fish for, fish in (water), fish, with rod & line & dead bait or with spoon-bait (~ing-spoon) drawn along behind boat; (arch.) cause (bottle) to circulate at table etc. 2. n. Song sung in successive parts, catch; || reel of fishing-rod; ~ing-spoon. [(n. f.vb) earlier sense *roll*. f. OF *troller*, perh. f. G *trollen* roll, troll]

tröll', n. Supernatural being, giant or (later) friendly but mischievous dwarf, in Scandinavian mythology. [ON & Sw., cf. Ila. *trolld*]

tröll'ey (pl. ~s), **tröll'y**, n. Kind of truck that can be tilted; || costermonger's cart pushed by hand or drawn by donkey; || low truck worked by hand-lever along the rails for conveying railwaymen to work; (also ~table) small table usu. on castors for use in serving food; wheel used for collecting current in electric street-railway (~pole, with ~ at upper end for this purpose); (also ~lace) lace of which the pattern is outlined with thick thread; || ~bus, trackless electric bus running on a highway; *~car, electric street-car. [prob. f. *TROLL'*]

tröll'op, n. Slaternly woman; prostitute. Hence ~ISM¹, ~Y², aa. [perh. f. *TROLL'*]

tröm'ba, n. (mus.). Trumpet. [It.]

tröm'bön'e, n. Large musical instrument of trumpet family with sliding tube or with valves. Hence ~ISM(3) n. [It. (as prec., see -OON)]

trömm'el, n. (mining). Revolving cylindrical sieve for cleaning ore. [G. = drum]

trömöm'éter, n. Instrument for measuring very slight earthquake shocks. [f. Gk *tromos* trembling (*tremō* tremble) + -METER]

trörpe, n. Apparatus for producing blast in furnace. [F. = TRUMP¹]

trööp, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Assembled company, assemblage of persons or animals, as a ~ of school-children, of antelopes, surrounded by ~s of friends; (pl.) soldiers, as lost a third of his ~s, HOUSEHOLD ~s; cavalry unit consisting of usu. 60 troopers

with two lieutenants & captain (cf. COMPANY), command of this (get one's ~, be promoted captain); unit of artillery & armoured formation; particular call of drum as signal for marching; company of performers, troupe; ~carrier, large aircraft for transporting ~s; ~horse, cavalry horse; ~ship, transport. 2. vb. Assemble, flock together, (often up, together, etc.); move along in a ~ (along, in, out, etc.); (w. pl. subject) walk hurriedly off, away; form (regiment) into ~s; || ~ing the colour, ceremony at public mounting of garrison guards. [(vb f. n.) f. F *troupe*, OF *trope*, f. LL *troppus* flock, etym. dub.]

trööp'er, n. Horse-soldier, private soldier in cavalry; swear like a ~ (much); cavalry horse; troopship. [-ER¹]

tropae'olum, n. Indian cress, kinds of trailing plant with spurred yellow or scarlet flowers including *NASTURTium* (2nd sense). [mod. L f. Gk *tropaion* TROPHY, w. ref. to likeness of flower & leaf to helmet & shield]

tröpe, n. Figurative (e.g. metaphorical, ironical) use of a word; (Eccl.) phrase or verse introduced as embellishment into some part of the mass. [F, f. L f. Gk *tropos* turn, way, trope, (*trepō* turn)]

tröph'ic, a. Concerned with nutrition, as ~ nerves. [f. Gk *trophikos* (*trophē* nourishment f. *trophō* nourish + -IC)]

tröpho- in comb. = Gk *trophē* food, as ~neurōs'is, defective nutrition due to nervous derangement.

tröph'y, n. (Gk Ant.) arms etc. of vanquished enemy set up on field of battle or elsewhere to commemorate victory; Roman memorial of victory in imitation of this but usu. permanent; anything, e.g. captured standard, kept as memorial of victory (lit. & fig.); prize; memento; ornamental group of symbolic or typical objects arranged on wall etc. Hence (-)~IED² (-ID) a. [f. F *trophée* f. L f. Gk *tropaion* (*tropē* rout f. *trepō* turn)]

tröp'ic, n. & a. 1. Parallel of latitude 23° 27' north (~ of Cancer) or south (~ of Capricorn) of the equator; the ~s, region between these; each of the two corresponding circles on celestial sphere where sun appears to turn after reaching greatest declination; ~bird, kinds of bird like tern seen usu. in the ~s. 2. adj. = foll. exc. last sense. [f. L f. Gk *tropikos* (*kuklos*) tropic (circle) f. *tropē* turning, solstice, (*trepō* turn), see -IC]

tröp'ical, a. Of, peculiar to, suggestive of, the tropics, as ~ plants, diseases, heat, abscess (of liver, induced by residence in hot climate); ~ year (between two successive passages of sun through same equinox); (fig.) ferid, passionate; [f. *TROPE*] figurative. Hence ~LY² adv. [-AL]

tröpicöpöl'itan, a. & n. (Animal, plant) confined & common to the tropics. [f. *TROPIC* on *cosmopolitan*]

tropôlogy, *n.* Figurative use of words; figurative interpretation esp. of the Scriptures, so **trop'ist**(2) *n.* Hence **tropôlog'ically** *adv.* [f. LL *tropologia* (TROPE, -LOGY)]

trop'opause (-z), *n.* Narrow layer between troposphere & stratosphere. [f. Gk *tropos* turn + PAUSE]

trop'osphère, *n.* Layer of atmospheric air extending about seven miles upwards from the earth's surface, in which temperature falls with height (cf. STRATOSPHERE). [f. Gk *tropos* turn + SPHERE]

tropp'ā, *adv.* (mus.). Too, as *andante* etc. *ma non* ~ (but not too much so). [It.]

trôt, *v.i.* & *t.* (-tt-), & *n.* 1. (Of horses etc.) proceed at steady pace faster than walk lifting each diagonal pair of legs alternately with brief intervals during which body is unsupported; cause (horse etc.) to do this; (of person) run at moderate pace esp. with short strides (often *along* etc.); perform (distance) by ~ting; bring (person, horse, etc.) to specified condition by ~ting, as ~ted him off his legs, to death; ~ out, cause (horse) to ~ to show his paces, (fig.) produce, introduce, (person, thing, superior information, subject) to excite admiration. 2. *n.* Action, exercise, of ~ting, as *proceeded at a ~*, went for a ~; (fig.) brisk steady movement or occupation, as *kept him on the ~* (busy); || toddling child. [f. OF *trôler*], cf. Pr., Sp., Port., *trolar*, It. *trollare*]

trôth, *n.* (arch.). Truth, esp. (in) ~, truly, upon my word; *plight* one's ~, pledge one's word esp. in betrothal. [OE *tréowth* TRUTH]

trôt'ter, *n.* In vbl senses; also or esp.: horse of special breed noted for trotting; (pl.) animal's feet used as food, as *pigs'*, *sheep's*, ~s; (joc.) human foot. [TROT, -ER¹]

trôttôir' (-twahr), *n.* Side pavement. [F] **trôt'yl**, *n.* (chem.). Trinitrotoluene. [(trini)-trôl(oluene) + -YL]

trou'badour (-dō-, -oor), *n.* Lyric poet of a class originating in Provence (cf. TROUVÈRE) in 11th c. [F, f. Pr. *trobador* f. *trobar* = F *trouver* find f. LL ⁺*trōpare* make poetry (as TROPE) or f. L *turbare* (cf. CON-TRIVE), see -OR¹]

trou'ble (trüb-), *v.t.* & *i.*, & *n.* 1. Agitate, disturb, be disturbed or worried, as ~d waters, don't let it ~ you, don't ~ about it, has been ~d about or with money matters, a ~d countenance; afflict, as am ~d with neuralgia, how long has it been troubling you?; subject, be subjected, to inconvenience or exertion (chiefly in polite formulas), as may I ~ you to shut the door?, to mind your own business?, will ~ you for (to pass) the mustard, sorry to ~ you, don't ~ (to explain etc., or abs.), why should I ~ (myself) to explain? 2. *n.* Vexation, affliction, as has been through much ~, till this great ~ came upon them, life is full

of small ~s; disease, as liver, digestive, ~s; inconvenience, unpleasant exertion, source of this, as did it to spare you ~, shall not put you to any ~ in the matter, fear the child is a great ~ to you, will never take the ~ to write, is incapable of taking ~, an omelette is no ~ (to make), French beans are a great ~ to prepare, (as polite formula) no ~ (at all); ask or look for ~ (sl.), meddle, be rash, etc.; be in, get into, ~, incur censure, punishment, etc.; (Mining) small fault. [f. OF *trouble(r)*, *turbler*, ult. f. L *turba* crowd]

trou'blesome (trüb-s-), *a.* (Of person or thing) causing trouble, vexatious. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [-SOME]

trou'blous (trüb-), *a.* (arch.). Full of troubles, agitated, disturbed, as ~ times. [f. OF *troubleus* (TROUBLE, -OUS)]

trough (-ôf, -awf, -ûf), *n.* Long narrow open wooden or other receptacle for holding water or food for sheep etc., kneading dough, washing ore, etc.; wooden or other channel for conveying liquid; ~ of the sea, hollow between two waves; ~ of barometric depression, line of greatest depression in area of moving barometric pressure. [OE, Du., ON, G, *trog*, cogn. w. TREE]

trounce, *v.t.* Beat severely, castigate, (lit. & fig.). Hence **troun'cing** *n.* [cf. OF *tronce* cut back (as TRUNK)]

trou'pe (-dū-), *n.* Company of actors, acrobats, etc. Hence ~ER¹ *n.*, member of a theatrical ~e. [F, see TROOP]

trous-de-loup (trō de loo'), *n. pl.* Small conical pits with stake in centre of each as defence against cavalry. [F, lit. wolf-holes]

trous'er (-z-), *n.* (Pl., also pair of ~s) two-legged outer garment reaching from waist to ankles; (vulg.) pair of ~s, as here, again, is a smart & dressy ~; ~-button (of certain sizes & materials); ~ or ~s pocket (esp. as holding one's money, or hands when idle); ~-stretcher, apparatus for stretching ~s to preserve shape; early 19th-c. woman's long frilled drawers reaching to ankles. Hence ~ED² (-zerd) *a.*, ~ING¹(3) *n.* [pl. form (cf. breezers) of obs. *trouse* sing. (cf. TREWS) f. Ir. *triubhas* a Celtic garment of close breeches, occas. w. stockings attached]

trousseau (trōsō', trō'sō), *n.* (pl. ~s, or ~x pr. -z). Bride's outfit of clothes etc. [F, lit. bundle, OF *troussel* dim. as TRUSS]

trout, *n.* (pl. usu. same), & *v.i.* 1. Kinds of freshwater fish esteemed as food & game; ~-coloured, (of white horse) speckled with black, bay, or sorrel. 2. *v.i.* Fish for ~. Hence ~LET, ~LING¹, *nn.*, ~Y¹ *a.* [OE *truti* f. L *trutta* f. Gk *trōldēs* lit. gnawer (*trōpō* gnaw), a sea-fish]

trouvaille (see Ap.), *n.* Lucky find, wind-fall. [F]

trouvere (trōvār'), *n.* Epic poet of a class

originating in N. France (cf. TROUBADOUR) in 11th c. [F (as TROUBADOUR)]

trove. See TREASURE.

trōv'er, n. (law). Acquisition of personal property; common-law action to recover value of personal property wrongfully taken or detained. [OF, F *trouver* (TROUBADOUR, -ER³)]

|| **trōw** (-ō, -ow), v.t. (arch.). Think, believe; (added to question) *what ails him, (I) ~ (I wonder)?* [OE *trāwian* (*trāwa* faith), *trēowian* (*trēowa* faith)]

trōw'el, n., & v.t. (-ll-). 1. Mason's or bricklayer's flat-bladed tool for spreading mortar etc.; *lay it on with a ~*, (fig.) flatter grossly; gardener's scoop for lifting plants etc. 2. v.t. Apply (plaster etc.), dress (wall etc.), with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. F *truelle* f. LL *trulla* dim. of L *trua* ladle, cf. *trulla* spoon]

trōy, n. (Also ~ *weight*) system of weights used for gold & silver (cf. AVOIRDUPOIS), as *weights* 3 lb. 5 oz ~, ~ *pound contains 12 oz, 5760 grains*. [prob. f. *Troyes*, town in France]

trū'ant (-ōō-), n., a., & v.i. 1. One who absents himself from place of work, esp. child who stays away from school without leave: *play ~, stay away thus; ~-school* (hist.). Industrial school for ~ children. 2. adj. (Of person, conduct, character, thoughts, etc.) shirking, idle, loitering, wandering. 3. v.i. Play ~. Hence **trū'ancy** n., ~-ly² adv., (-ōō-). [(vb f. n.) ME & OF, prob. f. Celt. (W *truan*, Gael. *truaghan*, wretched)]

truce (-ōō-), n. (Agreement for temporary cessation of hostilities (FLAG⁴ of ~); respite from pain etc., rest from work etc. (*a ~ to ~*, arch., demand that ~ shall cease); ~ of *God* (hist.), suspension of private feuds esp. during certain church festivals etc. Hence ~-LESS a., **trū'cial** (-ōōshl) a., of or bound by a ~ (only in ref. to ~ of 1835 between Britain & certain Sheikhs of Oman Peninsula, as in *trucial chiefs*). [ME *treves*, pl. of OE *trēow* compact, faith, see **TRUE**]

trūck¹, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make an exchange, trade, bargain, (with person for thing); exchange (thing for another); hawk (wares) about. 2. n. Exchange, barter, traffic, (*have no ~ with*, avoid dealing with); small wares; *market-garden produce: (colloq.) rubbish, (fig.) nonsense, as *shall stand no ~*; (also ~ *system, tommy*) practice of paying workmen in goods instead of money or in money on the understanding that they will buy provisions etc. of their employers, *T ~ Act* (of 1831 & 1870, providing for suppression of or inquiry into ~ system), ~ *shop* (conducted on ~ system). [f. F *troquer*] (etym. dub.)

trūck², n., & v.t. 1. Strong usu. four or six wheeled vehicle for heavy goods; || open railway wagon; motor vehicle for

transporting troops etc.; porter's two, three, or four, wheeled barrow for luggage at railway station etc.; set of wheels in framework for supporting whole or part of railway-carriage etc.; (Nant.) wooden disk at top of mast with holes for halyards; (now rare) small tireless wheel; ~-*bolster*, crossbeam on car ~ supporting one end. 2. v.t. Convey on ~. Hence ~-AGE (3, 4) n. [f. L f. Gk *trokhos* wheel (*trekhō* run)]

trūck'le, v.i., & n. 1. Submit obsequiously, cringe, (to), whence **trūck'ler¹** n. 2. n. (Usu. ~-*bed*) low bed on wheels that may be wheeled under another, esp. as formerly used by servants etc. [(vb, earlier—sleep in ~-bed, f. n.) f. FROCHLEA] **trūck'ulent** (or *trūō-*), a. Of or showing bellicose aggressive merciless temper. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE, ~ENCY, nn., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *truculentus* (*truz* *trucks* fierce, see -LENT)]

trūdge, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Walk esp. laboriously, perform (distance) thus. 2. n. Such walk. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

trūdg'en, n. ~ (*stroke*), swimming with alternate right & left over-arm strokes & ordinary leg action. [J. T ~, person]

true (-ōō), a., adv., & v.t. 1. In accordance with fact or reality, not false or erroneous, as *his story is ~, that is only too ~, is it ~ that he refused?*; *his words have come ~* (been realized in fact); (as formula of concession), ~, *it would cost more*. 2. In accordance with reason or correct principles or received standard, rightly so called, genuine, not spurious or hybrid or counterfeit or merely apparent, having all the attributes implied in the name, as *could not form a ~ judgement*. *frog is not a ~ reptile*, is a ~ *benefactor*, *the ~ heir*, ~ *ribs* (complete, articulating with breast-bone, not floating), ~ *HORIZON*. 3. Accurately conforming to (type etc.). 4. (Of voice) in perfect tune. 5. Loyal, constant, adhering faithfully, (to one's word, friend, one-self, etc.; often ~ as steel). 6. (Of wheel, post, beam, etc.) in correct position, balanced or upright or level. 7. (Arch.). Not given to lying, veracious; honest, as ~ *men*. 8. ~ *bill*, bill of indictment endorsed by grand jury as being sustained by evidence; ~-*blue* a. & n. (person) of uncompromising principles or loyalty; ~-*born*, of genuine birth, truly such by birth, as a ~-*born Englishman*; ~-*bred*, of genuine or good breed; ~-*hearted* (ness); ~-*love*, person truly loved or loving, sweetheart, plant with four leaves arranged like ~-*lover's knot* (kind of double knot with interlacing bows on each side); ~-*penny* (arch.), honest fellow. 9. adv. Truly (rare exc. w. certain vts, as *tell me, aim, breed*, ~). 10. v.t. Bring (tool, wheel, frame, etc.) into exact position or form required. Hence ~-NESS n. (rare). [OE *trēowe* (*trēow*, see **TRUEN**), cf. Du. *getrouwe*, G *treu*, ON *trugg*]

trüf'fle (or tröf-), n. Subterranean fungus used for seasoning dishes. Hence ~^{ED} (-ld) a. [f. OF *trufle* prob. f. L *tubera* pl. of *tuber*]

|| **trüg**, n. Wooden milk-pan; shallow garden basket made of wood strips. [perh. var. of TROUGH]

tru'ism (-ü-), n. A self-evident or indisputable truth; proposition that states nothing not already implied in one of its terms (e.g. *I don't like my tea too hot = I don't like it hotter than I like it*); hackneyed truth, platitude. [f. TRUE + -ISM]

trüll, n. (arch.). Prostitute. [cf. G *trulle*, Swiss *trolle*]

tru'ly (-ü-), adv. Sincerely, genuinely, as *am* ~ *grateful*, *a* ~ *alarming state of affairs*, *a* ~ *courageous act*; (as purely neutral formula for closing letter) *yours (very) ~ W. Jones*, (hence, joc.) *won't do for yours ~ (me)*; (usu. parenthet., & now chiefly literary or arch.) really, indeed, as ~, *I should be puzzled to say; faithfully, loyally, as has served him ~; accurately, truthfully, as it has been ~ stated, is not ~ represented*. [OE *tréowlice* (as TRUE, see -LY²)]

trumeau (trötmö'), n. (archit.; pl. ~s). Piece of wall, pillar, between two openings, e.g. pillar dividing large doorway. [F]

trümp¹, n. (arch., poet.). Trumpet, its sound, as *last ~, ~ of doom*. [f. F *trompe*, etym. dub.]

trümp², n., & v.t. & i. 1. Each card of a suit temporarily ranking above others, as *a call for ~s* (conventional signal to partner to lead ~s); ~ *card*, card turned up to determine which suit shall be ~s, any card of this suit, (fig.) valuable resource; (colloq.) person of admirable courage, resource, generosity, etc., excellent fellow; *put person to his ~s*, (fig.) reduce him to his last resources; *turn up ~s* (colloq.), turn out better than was expected, (also) have a stroke of luck. 2. vb. Defeat (card) with a ~, play a ~ (also fig.); ~ *up*, fabricate, forge, (story, excuses, etc.). [f. F *trionphe* TRIUMPH, a game of cards]

trümp'erý, n. & a. 1. Worthless flattery; rubbish; nonsense. 2. adj. Showy but worthless, delusive, shallow, as ~ *furniture, arguments*. [f. F *tromperie* (trumper deceive, etym. dub., -ERY)]

trümp'et, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Wind instrument of brass, the developed orchestral form having valves (occas. slides) increasing the sounding length of the tube & thus giving extra harmonic series, so making all notes instantaneously available; reed-stop in organ imitating this; trumpeter, esp. (hist.) one sent as envoy; *BAR, SPEAKING, ~;* ~-shaped thing e.g. kind of funnel; sound (as) of ~; *feast of ~s*, Jewish festival celebrating beginning of year; *flourish² of ~s*; *blow¹ one's own ~*. 2. ~-call, call by sound of ~, (fig.)

urgent summons to action; ~-*conch, -shell, sea-~*, kinds of gasteropod with turreted shell; ~-*flower, -leaf*, kinds of plant with ~-shaped flowers, leaves; ~ *major*, head trumpeter of cavalry regiment. 3. vb. Proclaim (as) by sound of ~ (usu. fig., = celebrate), blow ~, (of elephant etc.) make loud sound as of ~. [(vb f. n.) F *trompette* dim. as TRUMP¹]

trümp'eter, n. 1. One who sounds a trumpet, esp. cavalry soldier giving signals with trumpet (*be one's own* = *BLOW¹ one's own trumpet*). 2. Kind of domestic pigeon with peculiar coo, other birds making trumpetlike sound, (esp. (also ~ *swan*) a large N.-Amer. [ER¹])

trünc'al, a. Of the trunk of a body or tree. [f. L as TRUNK + -AL]

trünc'late, v.t., & a. 1. Cut the top or end from (tree, body, cone, pyramid, fig. quoted passage etc.); (Cryst.) replace (edge) by plane. 2. adj. ~-ated, (Bot., Zool., of leaf, feather, etc.) ending abruptly as if cut off at tip, whence ~-ately² adv. So ~-ATION, ~-ATURE (Zool.), nn. [f. L *truncare* (TRUNK), -ATE², ³]

trün'cheon (-shn), n. || Short club or cudgel e.g. that carried by policeman; baton, staff of authority, esp. (Her.) that of Earl Marshal. [f. OF *tronchon* dim. as TRUNK]

trün'dle, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Small broad wheel, e.g. castor; small wheel with cylindrical teeth; low-wheeled truck; (also ~-bed) = TRUCKLE-bed; head of lower drum of double capstan. 2. vb. Roll (t. & i., of hoop, truck, etc., often *along, down, etc.*); (sl.) bowl at cricket; hence *tründ'ler¹* n. (esp., sl., bowler). [(vb f. n.) var. of OE (& MHG & MLG) *trendel* circle, cogn. w. TREND]

trünk, n., & v.t. 1. Main body of tree opp. to branches & roots; human or animal's body without head & limbs & tail; main part of any structure. 2. (Also ~-line) main line of railway or canal, telephone main line (esp. of lines from town to town). 3. Box with hinged lid, often covered with leather, for carrying clothes etc. on journey. 4. Kinds of shaft, conduit, or trough, usu. rectangular & of wood, for ventilation, separation of ores, etc. 5. Open cylinder used instead of piston-rod in some marine & other engines (~-engines). 6. Proboscis esp. of elephant. 7. pl. (Also ~-hose) 16th-17th-c. breeches from waist to middle of thigh. 8. || ~-call, telephone call on ~-line with special charges according to distance; ~-drawers (shop), drawers reaching only to knees; ~-nail, nail with large ornamental head for ~, coffin, etc.; ~-road, main road. Hence ~-TUL n., ~-LESS a. 9. v.t. Separate (ore) by use of ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *tronc* f. L *truncus* a. & n., maimed, trunk]

trünn'ion (-yon), n. Supporting cylindrical projection on each side of cannon or mortar; hollow gudgeon supporting cylinder in steam-engine & giving passage to steam. Hence ~ED² (-yond) a. [f. F *trognon* core, stump, etym. dub.]

trüss, v.t., & n. 1. Support (roof, bridge, etc.) with ~ (see below). 2. Fasten (wings of fowl etc.), fasten wings etc. of (fowl etc.), before cooking, tie arms of (person) to his sides; (arch.) fasten, tighten, (garment, usu. *up*), hang (criminal, usu. *up*), (of hawk etc.) seize (bird). 3. n. Supporting structure or framework of roof, bridge, etc., e.g. pair of rafters with tie-beam, king-post, & struts (~bridge etc., so strengthened). 4. Bundle of old (56 lb.) or new (60 lb.) hay or (36 lb.) straw. 5. Compact terminal flower-cluster. 6. Large corbel supporting monument etc. 7. (naut.). Heavy iron fitting securing lower yards to mast. 8. (surg.). Padded belt or encircling spring used in rupture. [f. F *trousse*(r) perh. f. L *tors* - p.p. st. of *torquere* twist]

trüst, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Firm belief in the honesty, veracity, justice, strength, etc., of a person or thing, as *our ~ is in God, I repose considerable ~ in him, put no ~ in him*; confident expectation (*that*). 2. Person, thing, confided in, as *he is our sole ~*. 3. Reliance on truth of statement etc. without examination, as *takes everything on ~*. 4. Commercial credit, as *supplied with goods on ~*. 5. Responsibility arising from confidence reposed in one, as *am in a position of ~*. 6. (law). Confidence reposed in person by making him nominal owner of property to be used for another's benefit; right of the latter to benefit by such property; property so held, legal relation between holder & property so held, as *have accepted a ~, the property is merely a ~, is held in ~, (attrib.) ~-money*. 7. Thing, person, committed to one's care, resulting obligation, as *would not desert his ~, have fulfilled my ~*. 8. (commerce.). Organized association of several companies for purpose of defeating competition etc., the shareholders in each transferring all or most of the stock to central committee & losing their voting power while remaining entitled to profits. 9. BRAINS *T~*; ~-*deed*, deed by debtor conveying property to trustee for payment of his debts, deed conveying property to creditor to sell & pay himself & restore the residue, any instrument of conveyance that creates a ~. 10. vb. Place ~ in, believe in, rely on the character or behaviour of, as *have never ~ed him, if we may ~ this account, do not ~ him with* (let him use) *your typewriter, cat cannot be ~ed with* (will steal) *milk, would ~ him with untold gold*, whence ~'INGLY² adv. 11. Consign (thing to person etc.), place or leave (thing with person etc., in place

etc.), without misgiving. 12. Allow credit (to customer for goods). 13. Entertain an earnest or (rarely) confident hope, as *I ~ he is not hurt* (?), *I ~ to hear better news*. 14. Place reliance in; ~ to, place (esp. undue) reliance on, as *we must ~ to meeting someone who knows, does not do to ~ to memory for these things*. [ME *trost* n., *trusten* vb, f. ON *trast* n. (*trast* strong), *treysta* vb (cf. G *trösten* to comfort)]

trustee', n. Person who holds property in trust for another (|| *the Public T~*, State official charged, since 1908, with executing wills & trusts when invited); (pop.) each of a body of men, often elective, managing affairs of college etc. Hence ~SHIP n. [-EE]

trust'ful, a. Full of trust, confiding. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

trust'worthy (-ərdh), a. Worthy of trust, reliable. Hence ~INESS n.

trüs'tij, a. & n. 1. (Chiefly arch.) trust-worthy, as ~y *steed, sword, servant*, whence ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. 2. n. Well-behaved & privileged convict. [-Y²]

truth (-ðū-), n. (pl. *pr.* -dhz). Quality, state, of being true or accurate or honest or sincere or loyal or accurately shaped or adjusted, as *the ~ of the rumour is doubted, there is ~ in what he says, may depend on his ~, wheel is out of ~*; what is true, as *have told you the (whole) ~, the ~ is that I forgot, am a lover of ~* (or *T~* personified), *fundamental ~s, home ~s* (unpalatable facts about oneself), *god's ~s*, *GOSPEL ~*; *in ~* (literary), of a ~ (arch.), truly, really; *to tell the ~, ~ to tell*, formulas introducing confession. [OE *tréowth* (as TRUE, see -TH¹)]

truth'ful (-ðūth-), a. Habitually speaking truth, veracious; (of tale etc.) true. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

truth'less (-ðūth-), a. (Of statement) false; (of person) faithless, not adhering to promise etc. Hence ~NESS n. [-LESS]

trȳ, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Test (quality), test the qualities of (person, thing), by experiment, subject (person etc.) to suffering or hard treatment (as if) for this purpose (whence ~'ING² a., ~'INGLY² adv.), as ~ (the effect of) *soap & water, ~ (buy) our ginger ale, did you ever ~ quinine* (as cure) *for it?*, (strength of) *rope must be tried before it is used, each machine is tried before it leaves the shops, ~ your hand* (skill) *at, this will ~ his courage, patience has been sorely tried, should not ~ your eyes with that small print*. 2. Make experiment in order to find out, as ~ *how far you can throw, let us ~ which takes longest, whether it will break*; ~ CONCLUSIONS, a FALL². 3. Investigate (case, issue) judicially, subject (person) to trial (for murder etc., also for his life). 4. Settle (question, disputed point) by examination or experiment. 5. Attempt to achieve or perform, as *tried a jump & fell, better ~ something*

easier; attempt, endeavour, (to do or abs.; colloq. often & do, seldom after neg. or quasi-neg, & never after past tense), as *do ~ to (or &) attend, must ~ to (or &) get it finished tonight, if at first you don't succeed ~, ~, ~ again, no use ~ing to persuade him, don't ~ to (rarely &) palliate it, have often tried to mend it*. 6. (Also ~ up) dress (roughly-planed board) with ~ing-plane to give fine surface. 7. (Also ~ out) purify (metal, fat, oil) by melting or boiling. 8. ~ back, =HARK (intr.) back, lit. & fig.; ~ for, aim at (a calmer tone etc.), apply or compete for (appointment etc.); ~ on, put (clothes etc.) on to test fit, begin (it, one's games, tricks, etc., often with person) experimentally to see how much will be tolerated, as *no use ~ing it on with me*; ~on n. (colloq.), an attempt to deceive; ~ out, put to the test, test thoroughly; ~out n., experimental trial, test of popularity etc. (he gave the play a ~out at Brighton). 9. ~sail (-sl), small fore-&-aft sail set with gaff in heavy weather on mainmast or foremast or supplementary mast instead of mainsail or foresail [f. obs. naut. sense of vb, = lie to]; ~ (ing)-square, carpenter's square usu. with one wooden & one metal limb; ~works, apparatus for ~ing blubber. 10. n. Attempt (colloq.), as *have (make) a ~ at it, for it, to catch it*; (Rugby footb.) right to carry ball in front of goal & ~ to kick goal. [n. f. vb f. OF *trier* etym. dub.]

trypanosome, n. Kinds of blood-parasite some of which cause sleeping-sickness & other diseases. [f. Gk *trypanon* auger, *sōma* body]

trypsin, n. Chief digestive ferment of the pancreatic juice. [f. Gk *tripsis* friction (because first obtained by rubbing down the pancreas with glycerin) + -IN]

tryst, n., & v.t. & i. (arch.). 1. Appointed meeting, appointment, as *keep, break*. 2. vb. Engage to meet (person), appoint (time, place) for meeting; make a ~. [f. OF *trist(r)*e station to watch in hunting, prob. of Scand. orig. cogn. w. TRUST]

tsar etc. Usu. modern form of ЦАР etc. **tsé'tsé**, n. African fly whose bite is often fatal to horses, cattle, dogs, etc. [native **tuan** (tōahn'), n. Lord, master (title of respect given by Malaysians to Europeans). [Malay **tuan**, **tuwan**]]

tub, n., & v.t. & i. (-bb-). 1. Open wooden usu. round vessel of staves held together by hoops used for washing (wash ~) or holding butter, liquids, etc. (let every ~ stand on its own bottom, everyone look to himself); varying measure of capacity for butter, corn, tea, etc. 2. Sponge-bath, bath taken in this, as *pumped into his ~, seldom has a ~, a cold ~ would do him good*. 3. (Mining) kinds of bucket or box for conveying ore, coal, etc. 4. Clumsy slow boat (derog.); boat used for practice

rowing, as ~-pair, -eight, etc. (for so many oarsmen). 5. ~thumper, ranting preacher or orator, so ~thumping a. & n.; ~wheel, bowl-shaped water-wheel, rotating drum for washing skins etc. in. Hence ~FUL n. 6. vb. Bathe (t. & i.) in ~; plant in ~; row in ~, coach (oarsman, -men) in ~-pair; (Mining) line (shaft) with wood or iron casing. Hence ~b'ING¹(1, 2) n. [(vb f. n.), cf. MDu. *tobbe, tubbe*]

tub'a, n. Bass brass instrument of various sizes & pitches; an organ reed-stop. [L, =trumpet]

tubb'y, a. Tub-shaped, fat & round, corpulent, so ~ISH¹ a.; (of musical instrument) sounding dull, lacking resonance. [-Y¹]

tube, n., & v.t. 1. Long hollow cylinder esp. for conveying or holding liquids etc.; cylinder of thin flexible metal with screw cap for holding paint etc. (~ colours, kept in ~s). 2. Main body of wind instrument. 3. (Anat.) hollow ~-shaped organ, esp. one conveying air, as *bronchial ~*, whence **tub'AL**, **tub'AR**¹, aa. 4. *Thermionic valve. 5. || Each of several tubular electric railways in London. 6. *Crookes's ~*, vacuum ~ for showing certain phenomena connected with gases; *pneumatic ~* (for pneumatic dispatch); *TEST ~*; ~flower, ornamental E.-Ind. shrub of vervain family; ~shell, kinds of bivalve forming shelly ~; ~well, iron pipe with sharp point & perforations at bottom for getting water from underground. 7. v.t. Furnish with, enclose in, ~ or ~s; ~d horse (that has had a metallic ~ inserted in the air-passage). Hence **tub'ING**(2) n. [(vb f. n.) F, f. L *tubus*]

tub'er, n. Short thick part of an underground stem covered with modified buds, e.g. potato, artichoke, whence ~IFEROUS, ~IFORM, aa.; kinds of underground fungus, truffle; (Anat.) swelling part, prominence. [L, =bump, tumour]

tub'ercle, n. Small rounded projection esp. of bone; small granular tumour or nodule formed within the substance of an organ tending to degeneration & (in lungs etc.) to production of pulmonary consumption etc.; (Bot.) wartlike excrescence, small tuber. Hence ~ED¹ (-ld), **tub'erc'ULAR**¹, **tub'erc'ULATE**², aa., **tub'erc'ULIN** n., liquid prepared from cultures of ~e bacillus, used esp. as a test for tuberculosis, **tub'erc'ULON**, **tub'erc'ULOSE**¹, **tub'erc'ULOUS**, aa. [F, f. L *TUBERCULUM* (-CULI)]

tub'ercula'tion, n. Formation, set, system, of tubercles. [-ATION]

tub'erc'ul(ar)ize, vv.t. Infect with tuberculosis. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

tub'erculo'sis, n. Disease affecting most tissues of the body marked by tubercles & the presence of a characteristic bacillus; *pulmonary ~*, consumption. Hence **tub'erc'ulose**² (-st) a. [-OSIS]

tüb'erjōse, a. & (pop. pron. túb'rōz) n.

1. Covered with tubers, knobby; of the nature of a tuber; bearing tubers. Hence or cogn. ~ōs'try, ~ousness, nn., ~ous a. 2. n. Garden & greenhouse bulb with creamy-white fragrant flowers. [(n. f. l. fem. adj.) f. l. *tuberosus* (TUBEK, see -OSE¹)]

tüb'i- in comb. = l. *tubus* tube, as: ~corn a. & n., (ruminant) with hollow horns; ~form; ~ling'ual, with tubular tongue.

tüb'ül'ar, a. Tube-shaped; having, consisting of, contained in, tube(s), as ~ar boiler (in which heat or water to be heated passes through many tubes), ~ar bridge, rectangular tube through which railway etc. passes; (of sound in breathing) like sound of air passing through tube. So ~OSE¹, ~OUS, aa. [f. foll. + -AR¹]

tüb'üle, n. Small tube. Hence túb'ül- comb. form. [f. l. *tubulus* dim. as TUBE]

tück¹, v.t. & l., & n. 1. Gather (material) into flat folds for stitching; draw or thrust or roll the parts of (cloth etc. up, in) close together, as ~ in the loose ends, ~ed up his shirt-sleeves (so as to leave arms bare); draw together into small compass, as ~ed his legs under him like a tailor, brd ~s his head under his wing; cover (person, oneself) snugly & compactly up or in, as ~ed himself up in bed; stow away (thing in corner etc., away, etc.); (of spare material etc.) be disposed of by ~ing away; empty (scene) by means of small one; (sl.) hang (criminal) up; ~ in (sl.), eat heartily (at food, or abs.). 2. n. Flat fold, often one of several parallel folds, in fabric fixed in place by stitches as ornament or to dispose of spare stuff, as make a ~ in sleeves (when too long); (Naut.) part of vessel's hull where after planks meet; || (sl.) eatables esp. pastry & sweets, ~in-, -out, full meal, || ~shop (where ~ is sold); ~net, -seine, small net for taking fish from larger one; ~pointing, method of pointing brickwork with coloured mortar, a central groove in which is filled with fine white lime putty, projecting slightly. [(n. f. vb) ME *tucken*, cf. LG *tukken*, to-, G *zucken*, & TOUCH]

tück², n. (arch.). Blast, flourish, of trumpet; (Sc.) ~ (boat) of drum. [f. Picard *toquer* var. of F *toucher* TOUCH]

tück'er¹, n. In vb) senses; also or esp.: piece of lacc, linen, etc., covering neck & shoulders of woman in 17th & 18th c. (best sm² & ~); part of sewing-machine used in making tucks; || (sl.) food. [TUCK¹ + -ER¹]

*tück'er², v.t. (colloq.). Tire, weary (usu. ~out). [f. TUCK¹ (vb)]

tück'et, n. (arch.). Flourish on trumpet. [cf. TUCK², & It. *tuccata* prelude (toccare TOUCH, cf. -ADE)]

tuc'um (tōō-), n. Brazilian palm with fibre used for cordage etc. [Braz.]

-tude, suf. forming abstract nn. f. l. adj]. & p.p.p., usu. ending in -ti- (desue~, con-

sue~, for -suetude); in wds direct f. l. (*alti*~, thr. F (*apti*~, *alti*~), or on l. anal. (*correcti*~). [F, f. l. *tudinem*, nom. -tudo]

Tüd'or, a. Of the (period of the) ~s, English sovereigns from Henry VII to Elizabeth, as ~ (late perpendicular) style in architecture, ~ rose, five-lobed flower, ~ flower, trefoil ornament, used in ~ style. [Owen ~ of Wales, grandfather of Henry VII]

Tuesday (tüz'di), n. Third day of week; SHROVE ~. [OE *Twæs dæg* (T'wces genit. of *T'w* god of war, cogn. w. l. *deus* god, Gk *Zeus* Jupiter + *dæg* DAY)]

tüf'a, n. Rock of rough or cellular texture of volcanic or other origin. Hence tüfa² CROUS (-āshus) a. [It., as foll.]

tüff, n. Kinds of volcanic fragmentary rock; ~cone (of ashes etc. round volcanic opening). [f. F *tuf* f. It. *tufa*, *tufa*, f. l. *tophus* soft sandy stone]

tüft, n., & v.t. & l. 1. Bunch, collection, of threads, grass, feathers, etc., held or growing together at the base, whence tüf'ty² a.; (Anat.) bunch of small blood-vessels; imperial (board); || titled undergraduate [from ~ formerly worn on cap]; ~hunter, -hunting, one who seeks, practice of seeking, society of titled persons. 2. vb. Furnish with ~ or ~s; make depressions at regular intervals in (mattress etc.) by passing thread through; grow in ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. F *touffe* prob. of *Tout*, orig. cf. G *sopf*]

tüg, v.t. & l. (-gē-), & n. 1. Pull with great effort or violently; make vigorous pull at; tow (vessel) by means of steam ~, (of steam ~) tow (vessel); (fig.) drag (subject etc. in etc.) forcibly. 2. n. ~ging, violent pull, as gave a ~ at the bell; violent or painful effort, esp. fig., as felt a great ~ at parting, parting was a ~, had a great ~ to persuade him. 3. || (Eton sl.) collegier. 4. (Also ~boat) small powerful steam-vessel for towing others. 5. Loop from saddle supporting shaft or (in double harness) trace; ~spring, spring-frame to which this is fastened to lessen jerk in starting etc. 6. (Mining) iron hoop to which a tackle is fixed. 7. ~ of war, contest in which each of two groups of persons holding same rope tries to pull the other across line marked between them, supreme contest. [(n. f. vb) ME *toggen*, cogn. w. OE *tēon* draw, & TAUT, TIGHT, TIE, TOW¹, TOUGH]

tü'ism, n. Doctrine that all thought is addressed to a second person, esp. to one's future self as this. [f. l. *tu* thou + -ISM]

tü'tion, n. Teaching, esp. as a thing to be paid for; fee for this. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, aa., (-sho-). [OF, f. l. *tuitionem* (*tueri* *tuit*-watch, guard, see -ION)]

tul'a (tōō-), n. (Also ~work) = NIMBLE. [*Tula*, in Russia]

|| tü'chan, -in, (-χ-), n. (Sc.). Calf-skin stuffed with straw or spread on mound

beside cow to make her give milk; ~ *bishops* (hist.), titular bishops in whose names revenues of Scottish sees were drawn by lay barons after Reformation. [Gael. = mound]

tūl'ip, n. Kinds of plant with brilliant bell-shaped flowers of various colours; bell-shaped outward swell of muzzle of gun; ~-*root*, disease of oats causing base of stem to swell; ~-*tree*, N.-Amer. tree with flowers like large greenish-yellow ~s, marked with orange inside. [thr. F *tulippe* or It. *tulipa*(no) f. Turk. *tulbant* f. Pers. *dulband* TURBAN]

tūlipoimān'ia, n. Craze for tulips, esp. that in Holland about 1634. Hence ~MAN'IA n. [prec. + -O- + MANIA]

tulle (tōl, & see Ap.), n. Fine silk net used for veils & dresses. [T~., city in France]

tūl'wār, n. Sabre used by some N.-Indian tribes. [Hind. *talwār*]

tūm, **tūm'tūm**, n. Sound of banjo or similar instrument. [imit.]

tūm'ble, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Fall (down, over, off, from, etc.) suddenly or violently; (of waves, sick person, etc.) roll, toss, up & down or from side to side; move, walk, run, in headlong or blundering fashion (come tumbling along, ~d up the stairs, ~d into or out of bed); perform acrobatic feats; pull about, disorder, rumple, (clothes, hair, etc.); overturn, fling headlong, throw or push (down, out, in, etc.) roughly or carelessly; bring down (bird, hare, etc.) by shooting; polish (castings etc.) in tumbling-box. 2. ~ in, fit (piece of timber) into another, (Naut., also ~ home, of ship's sides) incline inwards above extreme breadth, (sl.) go to bed; ~ to (sl.), understand, grasp, (idea etc.). 3. n. Fall, as *had a slight, nasty*, etc., ~; somersault or other acrobatic feat; untidy or confused state, as *things were all in a ~*. 4. ~bug, kinds of dung-beetle; ~down, dilapidated. [(n. f. vb) f. OE *tumbian* + -LE(3), cf. Du. *tutmelen*, G *täumeln*, *tummeln*, stagger]

tūmb'ler, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: one who turns somersaults etc., acrobat; kind of pigeon that turns somersaults during flight; toy figure of sitting mandarin etc. contrived to rock when touched; flat-bottomed stemless drinking-glass (formerly with rounded bottom so as not to stand upright), whence ~FUL n.; part of the mechanism of a lock or gunlock. [-ER¹]

tūmb'ling, n. In vbl senses; ~-barrel, -box, -wheel, revolving box or barrel containing emery-powder etc. in which castings etc. are cleaned by friction against each other or the walls of the box; ~-bob, weighted lever reacting when lifted to a certain point. [-ING¹]

|| **tūm'brēl**, -il, n. (hist.). Two-wheeled covered cart for carrying tools, ammunition, etc.; dung-cart; open cart used in

French Revolution to convey victims to the guillotine; instrument of punishment perh. the same as CUCKING-STOOL. [f. OF *tumb(e)rel* (tombler fall, of Teut. orig., cf. TUMBLE)]

tūm'ē(fy), v.t. & i. (Cause to) swell, inflate; be inflated, (lit. & fig.). So ~FA'CIENT (-āshnt) a. (path.), ~FA'CTION n. (path.). [f. F *tuméfier* ult. f. L *tumefacere* (tumēre swell, see -RY)]

tūm'id, a. (Of parts of body etc.) swollen, inflated, so **tūmēs'cence** n., **tūmēs'cent** a.; (fig., of style etc.) inflated, bombastic. Hence or cogn. **tūmid'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *tumidus* (tumēre swell, -ID¹)]

tūmm'y, n. (nursery). = STOMACH. [Y³]
tūm'our (-mer), n. Local swelling esp. from morbid growth; *malignant* ~ (tending to recur after removal & cause death, opp. to *benign* ~). [f. L *tumorem* (tumēre swell, -OR¹)]

tūm'tūm¹, n. W.-Ind. dish of boiled plantains beaten soft in a mortar; (Anglo-Ind.) light vehicle, dog-cart. [f]

tumtum². See TUM.

tūm'ult, n. Commotion of a multitude esp. with confused cries etc.; noisy uprising of mob etc.; uproar; confused & excited state of mind, as *the ~ within him had subsided*. Hence or cogn. **tūmūl'tuary**¹ (esp. undisciplined, riotous), **tūmūl'tuous** (esp. vehement, uproarious), aa., **tūmūl'tuously**¹ adv., **tūmūl'tuousness** n. [f. L *tumultus* (as foll.)]

tūm'ūlus, n. (pl. ~i). Sepulchral mound often enclosing masonry. Hence or cogn. ~AR(Y)¹ aa. [L (tumēre swell)]

tūn, n., & v.t. (-nn-). 1. Large cask for wine, beer, etc., esp. formerly as measure of capacity (252 wine gallons); brewer's fermenting-vat; || ~dish, kind of funnel esp. in brewing. 2. v.t. Store (liquor) in ~. [(vb f. n.) OE *tunne*, cf. Du. *ton*, G *tonne*, ON *tunna*]

tūn'a, n. The Californian TUNNY. [Sp.-Amer.]

|| **tūnd**, v.t. (Winch. Coll. sl.). Thrash with stick. [f. L *tundere* beat]

tūn'dra (tōb-), n. Barren arctic regions where subsoil is frozen. [Lappish]

tūne, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Melody with or without harmony, air, as *psalm, hymn*, ~; correct intonation in singing or playing, due adjustment of instrument for this, as *piano is out of ~*, *sings out of ~*, *must learn to sing in ~*. 2. Agreement, concord, harmonious relation, as *in, out of, ~ with one's surroundings or company*; suitable mood (for purpose etc.). 3. Change one's ~, *sing another ~*, assume a different style of language or manner, e.g. change from insolent to respectful tone; *to the ~* (serious or exorbitant amount) of \$5 etc. 4. vb. Put (violin, piano, etc.) in ~, whence **tūn'ER**¹ (1, 2) n.;

(fig.) adjust, adapt, (thing to standard, purpose, circumstances, etc.); be in harmony (*with*, lit. & fig.); (poet.) produce (music), as *lark ~s his song*; express, celebrate, in music. 5. ~ *in*, set wireless instrument to right wave-length; ~ *up*, (of orchestra) bring instruments to common pitch, begin to play or sing, (joc., of child) begin to cry. Hence **TUN'ABLE** a., **tun'ableness** n., **tun'ably** adv. [(vb f. n.) 14th-c. var. of TONE]

tuneful (-nf-), a. Melodious, musical. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

tune'less (-nl-), a. Not in tune; unmelodious; (of mus. instrument) not played, silent. [-LESS]

tung-oil, n. An oil used chiefly for varnishing woodwork, obtained from the Chinese *tung-tree*. [Chin. *t'ung yü*]

tung'sten, n. A steel-grey heavy metallic element with very high melting-point, used for the filaments of electric lamps. Hence ~ATE³ (3) n., ~IC, ~OUS, aa. (chem.). [Sw. (*tung* heavy + *sten* stone)]

tun'ic, n. 1. Ancient Greek or Roman short-sleeved body-garment reaching about to knees; woman's loose blouse or coat gathered or belted at waist; close-fitting short coat of uniform of soldier, policeman, etc. 2. (Zool.) leathery envelope of ascidia etc.; (Anat.) membrane enclosing an organ; (Bot.) any of the layers of a bulb, integument of a part; whence ~ATR² a. (zool., anat., bot.), & n. (zool.); (Ecol.) = foll. [f. OF *tuniqué* f. L *tunica*]

tun'icle, n. Fine or delicate tunic (esp. bot., zool.); (Ecol., esp. R.-C. Ch.) short vestment of deacon at eucharist etc., (pl.) this & dalmatic worn by bishop. [f. L *tunicula* dim. as prec.]

tun'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~-*fork*, two-pronged steel fork designed to give particular note (esp. middle C) when struck; ~-*hammer*, hammer-shaped wrench for altering tension of strings in piano etc. by turning the pegs (~-*pegs*, ~-*pins*) to which they are attached. [-ING²]

tunnage. See TONNAGE.

tunn'el, n., & v.t. & i. (-ll-). 1. Artificial subterranean passage through hill etc. or under river etc.; subterranean passage dug by burrowing animal; (Mining) adit or level open at one end; main flue of chimney; ~-*borer*, kinds of machine for making ~s; ~-*net*, fishing-net wide at mouth & narrow at other end. 2. vb. Make a ~ through (hill etc.); furnish with ~; make one's way (*through, into*, etc.), make one's way, by ~ing. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *tonnel* dim. of *tonne* TUN]

tunn'y, n. Large oceanic scambroid fish used as food. [f. *F thon* f. L f. Gk *thunnos*]

tun'y, a. (Of music) having marked or catchy tunes. Hence ~INESS n. [TUNE, -Y²]

tup, n., & v.t. (-pp-). 1. Male sheep, ram; striking-face of steam hammer etc.

2. v.t. Copulate with (ewe). [ME *tope*, *tupe*, etym. dub.]

tûque (-k), n. Kind of Canadian cap. [Canad. F form of TOQUE]

tû quô'qué, n. The retort *So are* (or *did* etc.) *you*. [L. = you too]

turacou, turako. Varr. of TOURACO.

Tûrân'ian, a. Of the Asiatic languages that are neither Semitic nor Indo-European, esp. of the Ural-Altaic group of languages. [f. Pers. *Turân* region beyond Oxus, + -IAN]

turb'an, n. Oriental man's head-dress of scarf wound round cap; modification of this, esp. early-19th-c. European woman's head-dress; (later) woman's or child's hat with narrow or no brim; spire of univalve shell; ~-*shell*, kinds of gastropod or shell; ~-*stone*, Mohammedan pillar tombstone with ~ carved on top; ~-*top*, kind of mushroom. Hence ~ED² (-nd) a. [f. Turk. *turbant* f. Pers. *dulband*]

|| **tûrb'ar'y**, n. Right of digging turf on another's ground; place where turf or peat is dug. [f. OF *torberie* (*tourbe* TURB f. Teut., -ERY)]

turb'id, a. (Of liquid or colour) muddy, thick, not clear; (fig.) confused, disordered. Hence ~ITY (-id²), ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *turbidus* disturbed (*turbare* disturb f. *turba* crowd, tumult, see -ID²)]

turb'in/ate, a. Shaped like a top or inverted cone, so ~IFORM, ~OID, aa.; (Anat., esp. of some nasal bones) of scroll-like formation; whirling like a top. So ~AL a., ~ATION n. [f. L *turbinatus* (as foll., see -ATE²)]

turb'ine, n. Kinds of water-wheel driven by impact or reaction or both of a flowing stream of water; *air* ~, wheel of similar form driven by wind or by air from tube, *gas* ~ (driven by gas), *steam* ~ (driven by steam jets); ~ *boat* etc. (driven by ~s). [F, f. L *turbo* -inis wheel, top, whirlwind, (med. L) turbot]

turb'it, n. Kind of domestic pigeon with flat head & short beak. [perh. f. L as prec., w. ref. to shape]

turb'ot, n. Large kind of flat-fish esteemed as food. [f. OF *tourbout*, as TURBINE.]

turb'ulent, a. Disturbed, in commotion; tumultuous; insubordinate, riotous. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ENTLY² adv. [f. L *turbulentus* (*turba* tumult, see -LENT)]

Tûrc'o, n. (hist.; pl. ~s). Algerian trah-lleur in French service. [F]

Tûrco-, **Tûrko-**, in comb. Of the Turks. So **Tûrc'oPHIL**, **Tûrc'oPHILISM**, **Tûrc'oPHOB**, nn. [f. med. L as TURK, -O-]

tûrd, n. (not in polite lang.). Ball or lump of excrement. [OE *ford*, cf. MDu. *torde*]

tûrd'ine, a. Thrushlike. So ~IFORM, ~OID, aa. [f. L *turdus* thrush + -INE²]

tûreen, n. Deep covered dish for holding soup etc. at table. [earlier *terreen* f. F *terraine*]

turf, n., & v.t. 1. Surface earth filled with matted roots of grass etc.; piece of this cut from the ground, sod; (in Ireland) peat; *the ~*, the race-course, occupation or profession of horse-racing, esp. *on the ~*, so occupied; *~bound*, covered with close ~; *~ drain* (covered with ~); *~ man*, person interested in horse-racing, so *~t.* 2. v.t. (cover (ground) with ~; (sl.) throw (person or thing) out. Hence *~'iness* n., *~'y* a. [OE & Du., cf. ON & Sw. *torf*, Da. *tørve*]

turf 'gid, a. Morbidly swollen or inflated or enlarged, whence *~es'cible* a.; (fig., of language) pompous, bombastic, inflated. Hence or cogn. *~es'cence*, *~id'ity*, nn., *~es'cent* a., *~idly* a. adv. [*L. turgidus* (turgere swell, see *-id*)]

turf 'ion, n. (bot.). Young scaly shoot rising from ground as in asparagus, hops, etc. Hence *~ir'eous* a. [*L. turio -onis* shoot]

Türk, n. 1. Ottoman, Osmanli: member of the race from whom the Ottomans are derived; (transl.) ferocious, wild, or unmanageable person (now chiefly joc. of children); Mohammedan; Turkish horse. 2. *~s cap*, kinds of lily & other plants; *~s head*, head on post for sword displays, turbanlike ornamental knot, kinds of round brush or broom, kind of bakingspan for cakes. Hence *~'ism* n. [cf. *F. Turc*, med. *L. Turcus*, Pers. & Arab. *Turk*]

türk 'ey, n. (pl. *~s*). 1. Large (esp. domestic) gallinaceous bird native of America related to pheasant, esteemed as food & associated with Christmas festivities. 2. (*T~*). Country of the Turks. 3. *~ buzzard*, *vulture*, an American vulture; *T~ carpet* (made entirely of wool, & of velvety appearance); *~cock*, male of *~* (red as a *~cock*, of person flushed with anger etc.), (fig.) pompous or self-important person; *T~ corn*, maize; || *T~ leather*, kind treated with oil before the hair side is removed; *~poult*, young of *~*; *T~ red*, a pigment or colour, cotton cloth dyed with this; *T~ stone*, kind of oilstone for sharpening knives etc.; *~trof*, kind of dance. [cf. *F. Turquie* Turkey (prec., -IA'), whence the bird was held to come (as prec.)]

Türk 'ish, a. & n. 1. (Language) of Turkey or the Turks. 2. *~ bath*, hot-air bath followed by soaping, washing, rubbing, kneading, etc., (also pl.) building used for this; *~ (=TURKEY) carpet*; *~ delight*, a sweetmeat in gelatinous slabs coated with powdered sugar; *~ music* (produced with instruments of percussion); *~ pound* (usu. written £T, as £T50), coin formerly worth about 18/2; *~ towel* (rough with long nap usu. of uncut loops). [-ISH']

Türk 'orman, **Türk** 'man, **Türk** 'o-, n. (pl. *~s*). Member of any of various Turkish hordes in Turkestan, Afghanistan, Persia,

& Russia; *~ carpet*, rich-coloured kind with soft long nap. [f. Pers. *Turkumân* (TURK, *mân-dan* resemble)]

tür 'm'alín(e). See TOURMALIN.

tür 'm'eric, n. E.-Ind. plant of ginger family: powdered root of this as dye-stuff, stimulant, & condiment esp. in curry-powder; *~paper* (saturated with ~ & used as test for alkalis). [f. *F. terre-mérite* perh. corrupt. of Arab. as CURCUMA] **tür** 'm'oil, n., & v.t. 1. Agitation, trouble. 2. v.t. (arch., chiefly in p.p.). Agitate, trouble. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

|| **tür** 'm'ut, var. of *turnip* used by writers as characteristic of rustic speech.

tür 'n, v.t. & i. I. General senses. 1. Move (t. & i.) on or as on axis, give rotary motion to, receive such motion, as *crank ~s wheel*, *wheel ~s*, *~ the key in the lock*, *~ the tap*, *tap will not ~*, *he ~ed on his heel(s)*, *~ person round one's finger*, *everything ~s* (depends) *on his answer*. 2. Execute (somersault etc.) with rotary motion. 3. Change from one side to another, invert, reverse, (fig.) revolve mentally, as *~s everything upside down* or *inside out* (into state of confusion), *whole world has ~ed topsy-turvy*, *umbrella ~s inside out*, *~ed the body with its face upwards*, *~ed* (inverted) *comma*, *~ed period* (.), *~ TURTLE*, *~ the TABLES* on, *~ over pages of book* (to read on other side), *~ over new LEAF*, *not ~ a HAIR*, *dress must be ~ed* (the soiled outside becoming the inside), *~ one's COAT*, *~ an honest PENNY*, *have ~ed the matter over & over in my mind*. 4. Give new direction to, take new direction, adapt, be adapted, as *~ your face this way*, *river ~s to the right*, *~ed his flight northwards*, *scarcely know where or which way to ~* (fig. what course to follow, where to seek help), *~ed to God in her trouble*, *~ one's BACK* on, *~ a DEAF ear to*, *~ the edge of* (knife etc., fig. remark etc.), *blunt*; *~ your attention to this*; *have often ~ed my thoughts*, *thoughts have often ~ed*, *to the subject*; *can ~ his hand to* (learn to do) *anything*; *~s even his errors to account* (profits by them); *all ~s* (tends) *to his profit*; *tide ~s* (at ebb or flow). 5. Move to other side of, go round, flank, as *~ the CORNER*; *~ the scale*, *cause it to sink*, (fig.) *decide question in suspense*; *~ (the flank or position of) an army*, *pass round so as to attack it from flank or rear*; *~ person's flank*, *outwit him*, *defeat him in argument* etc. 6. *Be ~ed* (have passed the age) (of) 40 etc. 7. Cause to go, send, put, as *was ~ed adrift in the world*, *~ it out into a basin*, *never ~ed* (away) *a beggar from his door*, *will ~* (resist or divert) *a bullet*. 8. Change (t. & i.) in nature, form, condition, etc., change for the worse, (cause to) become, as *~ed water into wine*, *has been ~ed into a joint stock company*, *fear he will ~ crusty*, *has ~ed traitor*, *Mohammedan*, *botanist*, *joy is*

or has ~ed to bitterness, ~ (translate) it into French, how would you ~ this passage?, milk will ~ (sour), thunder will ~ mill (sour), ~ed pale at the thought, very thought ~me pale, sight of raw meat ~s (nauseates) my stomach, stomach ~s at the sight, success has ~ed his head (intoxicated him), head has ~ed with success, head ~s (with giddiness), overwork has ~ed his brain. 9. Shape (object) in lathe, (of material) lend itself (easily, well, etc.) to treatment in lathe. 10. Give (esp. elegant) form to, as can ~ a compliment, could ~ a Latin verse in my day, well ~ed phrase, exquisitely ~ed wrist. 11. Spec. uses with adv. & prepp. 1. ~ about, ~ so as to face in new direction. 2. ~ against, become hostile to. 3. ~ down, fold down; place (playing-card) face downwards; reduce flame of (gas, lamp, etc.) by ~ing tap etc.; reject (proposal, its maker, etc.). 4. ~ in, fold inwards; incline inwards, as his toes ~ in; (colloq.) go to bed. 5. ~ off, check passage of (water, gas, etc.) by means of tap etc.; achieve, produce, (epigram, piece of work); dismiss (servant etc.) from employment; (sl.) hang (criminal), marry (couple). 6. ~ on (adv.), give free passage to (water etc.) by ~ing tap; (colloq.) give free scope to, as ~ on the waterworks, begin to cry. 7. ~ on (prep.), depend upon; face hostilely, become hostile to. 8. ~ out, expel; cause to point or incline outwards, as ~ out your toes; produce (manufactured goods etc.); ~ inside out, bring to view, as made him ~ out his pockets; assemble for duty etc., as 15 men ~ed out; get out of bed; (Mil.) ~ out the guard, call them from guard-room; be found, prove to be the case, as this ~s out to be true, he ~ed out a humbug, it ~s out that he was never there, we shall see how things ~ out. 9. ~ over, cause to fall over, upset; transfer the conduct of (thing to person); do business to the amount of, as ~s over £500 a week. 10. ~ round, face about; adopt new opinions or policy. 11. ~ to (prep.), apply oneself to, set about, (work, doing). 12. ~ to (adv.) begin work. 13. ~ up, (Cards) expose (trump card); disinter, as plough ~s up skulls; make one's appearance, as ~ed up an hour late, unexpectedly; (of event, opportunity, etc.) happen, present itself; (colloq.) cause to vomit, as the sight ~ed me up. 14. ~ upon, = ~ on. III. Comb. ~bench, watch-maker's portable lathe; ~buckle, device for connecting parts of metal rod; ~cap, revolving chimney-top; ~coat, one who ~s his coat; ~cock, person employed to ~ on water for mains etc.; ~down, (of collar) doubled down; ~key, person in charge of prison keys; ~out, ~ing-out esp. for duty, strike of employees, assembly of persons to see spectacle etc., equipage, quantity of goods manufac-

tured etc. in given time; ~over, upsetting of carriage etc., semicircular pile or tart, amount of money ~ed over in business, || newspaper article running on to next page; ~pike, defensive frame of pikes (hist.), gate set across road to stop carts etc. till toll is paid, such road; ~round, (of ship) process of entering port, discharging cargo, reloading, & leaving port; ~screw, screwdriver; ~side, giddiness in dogs; ~sole, kinds of plant supposed to ~ with the sun; ~spit, long-bodied short-legged dog formerly used to ~ spit; ~stile, post at entrance of building esp. where admission fee is charged with four horizontal arms that move round as person passes through; ~stone, bird allied to plover; ~table, circular revolving platform for reversing locomotives etc.; ~up, thing ~ed up, (colloq.) commotion. [OE *turnan*, *turnian*, f. L *turnare* turn in lathe (*turnus* = Gk *turnos*)]
turn², n. 1. Rotary motion, changed or change of direction or position or tendency, deflection, deflected part, bend, as a single ~ of the handle, a ~ of Fortune's wheel (change of luck), with a neat ~ of the wrist, took a sudden ~ to the left, complaint took a favourable ~, milk is on the ~ (just turning sour), tide is on the ~ (turning), gave a new ~ to the argument, path is full of ~s & twists, walked along a ~ of the river; (Mil. as wds of command) right, left, about, ~!; any of the THREEs (~ A, B, C, D) in figure-skating. 2. Character, tendency, disposition, formation, as was of a humorous ~, do not like the ~ of the sentence, the ~ of an ankle; have a fine, pretty, etc., ~ of speed etc., be able to go very fast etc. on occasion. 3. Short walk, stroll, drive, ride, or performance, as take a ~ in the garden, on a bicycle, took a ~ of work; short ~s (songs, recitations, etc., in music-hall etc.). 4. Opportunity, occasion, privilege, obligation, coming successively to each of several persons etc., as it is your ~ to watch, it was now my ~ to be angry, must not speak out of (before or after) your ~, will hear you all in ~ (succession); we dug by ~s (in rotation of individuals or groups); take ~s, work etc. alternately; work ~ & ~ about (alternately), went hot & cold by ~s; did not serve my ~ (purpose); did me a good, an ill, ~ (service, disservice; one good ~ deserves another). 5. (mus.). Kind of grace consisting of principal note with those above & below it. 6. pl. Menses. 7. Each round in coil of rope etc. 8. (print.). Inverted type as temporary substitute for missing letter, letter turned wrong side up. 9. (colloq.). Nervous shock, as gave me quite a ~. 10. To a ~, exactly, perfectly, as meat is done to a ~ (enough & not too much). [f. prec.]
turn³/er, n. In vbl senses; also or cap.:

one who works with lathe, so ~ERY (1, 2, 3) n.; || kind of tumbler-pigeon. [-ER¹]

turn'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: use of lathe; place where road meets another, such road, as *stop at the next ~*, *take the second ~ to the left*; ~point, point in place, time, development, etc., at which decisive change occurs, as *has reached the ~point*, *this may be the ~point of his life*. [-ING¹]

turn'ip, n. Biennial plant of mustard family; its fleshy globular root used as vegetable & for feeding cattle etc.; ~top, growing top of ~ used as vegetable. Hence ~Y² a. (esp. tasting of ~). [OE has *nāp* f. *L napus*; tur- perh. = *turn* or *F TOUR*, w. ref. to shape]

turp'entine, n., & v.t. 1. Oleo-resin secreted by several coniferous trees & (*Chian ~*) by terebinth, used in mixing paints & varnishes & in medicine; (also pop. *turps*) oil or spirit of ~; ~tree, terebinth. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to. [f. OF *ter(e)-bentine* f. *L f.* Gk *terebinthinos* (as *TEREBINTH*, see -INE²)]

turp'eth, n. Cathartic root of an E.-Ind. plant. [f. OF *turbith* f. Arab. & Pers. *turbid*]

turp'itude, n. Baseness, depravity. [f. *L turpitudinem* (*turpis* base, see -TUD²)]

türps. See TURPENTINE.

türq'oise (-koiz, -kwoiz), n. Opaque sky-blue or greenish-blue precious stone; ~green, pale colour between green & blue. [f. fem. of *turquoise* Turkish (*Turc TURK*)]

tür'rèt, n. Small tower connected with main building whether rising from ground or projecting from wall or corbels; (Mil.) low flat usu. revolving tower for gun & gunners in ship or fort; (Hist.) square many-storeyed building on wheels used in attacking fortified place; ~gun (for use in revolving ~); ~ship (with guns in ~s). Hence ~ED² a. [f. *F tourelle* dim. of *tour* TOWER]

türric'ulate, -ätéd, aa. (conch.). (Of shell) having a long spire. [f. *L turricula* (*turris* tower, see -CUL², -ATE³)]

tür'tle¹, n. (Now usu. ~dove) kinds of dove, esp. a common wild kind noted for soft cooing & affection for mate & young. [OE f. *L turtur*, imit.]

tür'tle², n., & v.i. 1. Marine reptile encased as tortoise & with flippers used in swimming, esp. (also green ~) kind much used for soup; mock² ~; turn ~ (naut. sl.), capsized; ~shell, tortoise-shell, esp. dark kind used for inlaying, (also ~cowry) large handsome kind of cowry. 2. v.i. Hunt for ~s, whence tür'tler¹, tür'tling¹, nn. [= *tortu(e)* TORTOISE, aashin. to prec.]

Tüs'can, a. & n. (Language, inhabitant) of Tuscany; ~ ORDER¹; ~ straw, fine yellow wheat-straw used for hats etc. [f. LL *Tuscanus* (*L Tuscus*, see -AN)]

tüşh¹, int., n., & v.i. (arch.). Pshaw. [imit.]

tüşh², n. Long pointed tooth, esp. canine tooth of horse. [var. of TUSK]

tüşh'er'y, n. (literary). Use of archaisms such as TUSH¹. [-ERY; word made by R. L. Stevenson]

tusk, n., & v.t. 1. Long pointed tooth, esp. protruding from closed mouth as in elephant, walrus, etc.; ~like tooth or part in harrow, lock, etc. Hence (-)~ED² (-kt), ~Y², aa. 2. v.t. Gore, thrust, tear up, with ~ or ~s. [(vb f. n.) OE *tusc*, *tux*, cf. OFris. *tusk*]

tusk'er, n. Elephant with developed tusks. [-ER¹]

tüss'er, -ur, -öre, n. Oak-feeding silkworm yielding strong but coarse silk; (also ~silk) silk of this & some other silkworms. [f. Hind. *tasar* f. Skr. *tasara* shuttle]

tüss'ive, a. (mod.). Of a cough. [f. *L tussis* cough, see -IVE]

tüs'sle, n., & v.i. Struggle, scuffle, (with person, for thing). [as TOUSLE]

tüss'ock, n. Clump, hillock, of grass etc.; tuft, lock, of hair etc.; (also ~moth) kinds of moth with tufted larvac; ~grass, tall elegant grass on boggy ground in Patagonia etc. Hence ~Y² a. [f. 16th c., etym. dub.]

tüss'öre. See TUSSEER.

tüt¹, **tüt-tüt**¹, int., n., & v.i. (-tt-). 1. Int. expr. impatience, contempt, or rebuke. 2. n. This exclamation. 3. v.i. Exclaim ~. [instinctive]

|| **tüt**², n. (mining). Job; ~work, piece-work (cf. *TRIBUTE*). [?]

tüt'élage, n. Guardianship; (period of) being under this. [f. *L tutela* (*tuēri* *tuit-* or *tut-* watch) + -AGE]

tüt'elar(y), aa. Serving as a guardian, protective; of a guardian, as ~authority. [f. LL *tutelarius* (as prec., see -ARY¹)]

tüt'enäg, n. Zinc imported from China & E. Indies; white alloy like German silver. [f. Marathi *tuttināg* perh. f. Skr. *tuttha* blue vitriol + *nāga* tin]

tüt'or, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Private teacher, esp. one having general charge of person's education; || (Eng. Univv.) college official, usu. a fellow, directing studies of undergraduates assigned him; (Law) guardian of a minor. Hence or cogn. ~AGE(2), ~ESS¹, ~SHIP, nn. **tütör**¹IAL a. (also n., period of instruction given by a college ~), **tütör**¹IALY² adv. 2. vb. Act as ~ to, instruct; exercise restraint over (oneself, one's passions, another); make one's living as ~. [f. OF *tutor* f. *L tutorem* (*tuēri* *tut-* watch, see -OR²)]

tüt'san, n. St-John's-wort, plant once held to heal wounds etc. [earlier *totsame* f. *L totus* whole, *sanus* sound, prob. thr. F.]

tutti (töbt'è), mus. direction, & n. All (voices, instruments) together; (n.) passage for these. [It.]

tutti-frutti (töbt'è fröbt'è), n. Confection, ice-cream, of mixed fruits. [It., = all fruits]

tütt'y, n. Impure zinc oxide used as polishing-powder. [f. OF *tutie* f. Arab. *tātiya*]

tū'um. See MEUM.

tu-whit' (tōō-) n., **tu-whōō'** (tōō-) n., & v.l. (Make) cry of owl. [imit.]

***tūxéd'ō**, n. (pl. ~s, ~es). Dinner-jacket. [T~, place-name]

tuyère (tōyār', tōyār', twēr), **twy'er**, n. Pipe through which air is forced into furnace etc. [F (*tu-*), = nozzle]

twa'ddell (-ō-), n. Kind of hydrometer for liquids heavier than water. [T~, inventor's name]

twa'ddle (-ō-), v.l., & n. (Indulge in) senseless, feeble, or prosy talk. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~Y² a. [orig. -tllē, var. of TATTLE]

twain, a. & n. (arch.). Two; two persons or things; *cut etc. in ~* (in two). [see two]

twāng, v.l. & t., & n. 1. (Cause to) make ringing metallic sound as of string of musical instrument or bow when plucked, (derog.) play on or on fiddle etc. thus, as *the fiddles ~ed*, ~ed (on) his fiddle, ~ed his bow, whence ~LE(3) (-āng'gl) v.l. & t.; speak, utter, with nasal sound. 2. n. Sound of tense string when plucked, nasal tone. [imit.]

twānk'ay, n. Kind of green tea. [f. Chin. *Tun-ki*, name of a stream]

***twas** (-oz), contraction of *it was*.

tway'blade, n. Kinds of orchid with green or purple flowers & single pair of leaves. (*tway* var. of TWAIN + BLADE)

tweak, v.t., & n. 1. Pinch & twist sharply, pull with sharp jerk, twitch. 2. n. Twitch, sharp pull, pinch. Hence || ~ER¹ n. (sl.), boy's catapult. [f. 17th c., cf. TWITCH]

tweet, n. Twilled woollen or wool-&-cotton fabric with unfinished surface & usu. two colours combined in the yarn, used esp. for men's clothes & largely made in S. Scotland; (pl.) suit of ~. [anecdote, explained as corrupt. of *twill* (Sc. *tweet*) helped by assoc. with *Tweed*]

twee'dle, n. Sound as of fiddle; ~dum & ~dee' (-ld-), things differing only or chiefly in name. [prob. imit.]

***tween**, adv. & prep. Between, esp. ~decks, (space) between decks. [abbr.] || **tween'y**, n. (colloq.). Servant assisting two others e.g. cook & housemaid. [prec. + Y²]

tweet, n., & v.l. Chirp (of bird). [imit.]

twēz'er, n., & v.t. 1. (Pl., also pair of ~s) minute pair of tongs for taking up small objects, plucking out hairs, etc. 2. v.t. Extract (hair, thorn, etc.) with ~s. [(vb f. n.) f. obs. *twēese*, pair of tweeses, case, esp. folding case, for small instruments, f. F *trui*]

twelfth, a. & n. 1. Next in order after eleventh (*the ~*, of August, as beginning of grouse-shooting); *T~day* (after Christmas, festival of Epiphany); *T~night*, night of this, celebrated with various

festivities etc.; *T~cake*, prepared for T~night. 2. n. Each of 12 equal parts. Hence ~LY² adv. [OE *twelfta* (foll., -TH²)

twēlve, a. & n. One more than eleven, 12, xii; *the T~* (apostles); *T~ TABLES*; in ~s (duodecimo); *long, square, ~s*, duodecimo pages of sheet variously folded; ~FOLD a. & adv.; ~mo, 12mo, = DUODECIMO; || ~t month, year, as *has been there a ~month*, (adv.) *this day ~month*, a year hence or ago; || ~pence (arch. exc. shop), a shilling; || ~penny, shilling (adj.). [OE *twelf*, lit. two over (as TWO + -lif cogn. w. LEAVE²)]

twēn'ty, a. & n. Twice ten, 20, xx; *have told him ~* (several) times; ~one, -two, etc., or one, two, etc., & ~; ~five, 25 (Rugby football, Hockey), line drawn across ground 25 yds from each goal, ground between this & goal-line; ~mo, ~four'mo, (20mo, 24mo), leaf of sheet folded into 20, 24, equal parts, book made up of such leaves. Hence TWENTYETH a. & n., ~FOLD a. & adv. [OE *twentig* (*twēgen* two, see -TY²)]

***twere** (-er), contr. of *it were*.

|| **twērp**, n. (sl.). Bouncer, cad. [?]

twi- in comb. = two, double, in TWILIGHT & in some arch. or pseudo-arch. forms, as: ~bll, double-bladed battle-axe, kind of mattock; ~blade, = TWAYBLADE; ~fold a. & adv., twofold; ~folded; ~forked; ~formed.

twice, adv. Two times (esp. of multiplication), on two occasions, as ~ 3 is 6, *told him ~*; doubly, in double degree or quantity, as ~ as strong, *has ~ the strength*, is ~ the man he was (~ as strong etc.); (colloq.) *did it in ~* (two attempts or instalments). [ME *twies*, written -ce to show pronounc. (-s not -z), OE *twiges* (as TWO, see -ES)]

|| **twi'cer**, n. Composer who is also pressman. [f. prec. + ER¹]

twid'dle, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Twirl idly, esp. ~ one's thumbs (for lack of occupation); trifle with (object); *twiddling-line*, string attached to compass-gimbal & pulled to make compass-card play freely. 2. n. Slight twirl. [perh. dim. of *twirl* or *twist*]

twig¹, n. Small shoot or branch of tree or plant; (Anat.) small branch of artery etc.; (Electr.) small distributing conductor; divining-rod, esp. *work the ~*; *hop the ~* (colloq.), die. Hence (-) ~GED² (-gd), ~LESS, ~g'Y² (-g-), aa. [OE, cf. Du. *twijg*, G *zweig*, cogn. w. TWO]

twig², v.t. (colloq.; -gg-). Understand, catch the meaning of, (person, words, plan, that etc., or abs.); perceive, observe. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

twil'ight (-it), n., & v.t. (~ed). 1. Light from sky when sun is below horizon in morning or (usu.) evening; faint light; (fig.) state of imperfect knowledge, understanding, etc.; ~ arc(h) or curve (bounding the brightest region of ~ where

atmosphere receives solar rays direct); ~ of the gods (Norse myth.), conflict in which gods & giants destroyed each other; ~ sleep, name of a method of making childbirth painless. 2. v.t. (rare). Illuminate faintly. [ME (twi- + LIGHT¹)]

twill, n., & v.t. 1. Textile fabric in which weft-threads pass alternately over one warp-thread & under (not one as in plain weaving but) two or more, thus producing diagonal lines. 2. v.t. Weave (material) thus (esp. in p.p.). [OE *twilt*, cogn. w. OHG *zwilth*, two-threaded, after L *bi(l)icium* thread]

***twill**, contr. of *it will*.

twin, n., n., & v.t. & i. (-nn-). 1. Forming, being one of, a closely related or associated pair esp. of children born at a birth, as ~ children, brother(s), sister(s), the T~ Brothers or Brethren, Castor & Pollux, ~ bed(s): (Bot.) growing in pairs; consisting of two closely connected & similar parts; ~ boat, steamer (with two hulls supporting one deck & having paddle-wheel between them); ~ flower, slender creeping evergreen bearing a pair of fragrant flowers; ~ screw, steamer with two propellers on separate shafts having opposite twists. 2. n. Each of a closely related pair esp. of children born at a birth; exact counterpart of person or thing. compound crystal one part of which is in a reversed position with reference to the other; *The T~s*, Gemini; SIAMENS ~s. Hence ~LING¹, ~SHIP, nn. 3. vb. Join intimately together, couple, pair. (*with*; t. & i.); ~ning-machine, -saw (for cutting out teeth of combs, these being cut in pairs). Hence ~NINA¹ n., formation of ~ crystals. [(vb & n. f. adj.) OE *tuinn* double, cf. ON *twinnr*, cogn. w. TWO]

twin, e, n., & v.t. & i. 1. String of two or more strands of hemp, manilla, etc., twisted together; coil, twist, as *snaky ~es*; interlacing, tangle. 2. vb. Form (thread) by twisting strands together, whence ~ER² (2) n.; form (garland etc.) of interwoven material, garland (brow etc.) *with*; interweave; coil, wind, (thing about, round, another); (of plant, snake) coil itself or itself (round). Hence ~ING¹ adv. [(vb ME *twinen* cogn. w.) n. OE *twinn*, cf. Du. *twijn*, ON *twinni*, G *zwirn*, cogn. w. TWO]

twinge (-j), v.t. (rare), & n. (Affect with) sharp darting pain, as *conscience ~d him*, a ~ of toothache, rheumatism, conscience, remorse. [(n. f. vb) OE *twengan*, etym. dub.]

twinkle (twing'kl), v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of light, star, etc.) shine with quick gleams, sparkle; (of eyelids, feet in dancing, etc.) move rapidly up & down or to & fro; blink, wink, (one's eyes, or intr. of person or eye); (of eyes) sparkle (at jest etc.); omit (light) in quick gleams. Hence ~ER¹ n.

2. n. Twitching of eyelid, blink, wink; sparkle, gleam, of the eyes, as a *humorous, mischievous, ~e*; short rapid movement e.g. of feet in dancing; quick tremulous light, glimmer. [(n. f. vb) OE *twincian*; cf. obs. *twinken* & G *zwinken* to wink]

twink'ling, n. In vbl senses, esp. in a ~, in the ~ of an eye, in the ~ of a BED¹ post, in a moment, very quickly. [-ING¹]

twirl, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Revolve (t. & i.) rapidly, spin, whirl, (often round); turn (one's thumbs etc.) round & round in purposeless way, twiddle. 2. n. Rapid or idle circular motion, flourish or curl made with pen etc. [(n. f. vb), f. 10th c.] etym. dub.]

twist, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Thread, rope, etc., made by winding two or more strands etc. about one another; kinds of strong silk thread & of cotton yarn; roll of bread, tobacco, etc. in form of ~; paper packet with screwed-up ends. 2. Act of ~ing, condition of being ~ed, as *give it a ~, has a curious ~, full of turns & ~s*. 3. Manner or degree in which thing is ~ed, e.g. inclination of rifle-grooves, whirling motion given to ball in cricket etc. to make it take special curve. 4. Peculiar tendency of mind, character, etc. 5. ~ing strain, (angle showing) amount of torsion of rod etc., forward motion combined with rotation about an axis. 6. || Kinds of mixed drink, as *gin ~*. 7. || (colloq.). Appetite, as *had a tremendous ~*. 8. *Damascus ~*, process of ~ing Damascus iron to form gun-barrel; ~ of the wrist, (fig.) dexterity, knack. 9. vb. Wind (strands etc.) one about another; form (rope etc.) thus; interweave (thing *with* or *in with* another). 10. Give spiral form to (rod, column, etc.) as by rotating the ends in opposite directions; receive, grow in, spiral form. 11. Cause (ball, esp. in billiards) to rotate while following curved path. 12. Twine (flowers etc. *into* garland etc.), make (garland etc.) thus. 13. Make one's way, make one's way, (through crowd etc., along, etc.) in winding manner. 14. Wrench out of natural shape, distort, as *limbs ~ed on the rack, features ~ed with pain*, (fig.) *wants to ~ my words into an admission of error*; ~ one's arm, force his hand or wrist round as torture. 15. ~ off, break off (piece) by ~ing; ~ up, ~ (paper etc.) into spiral form. Hence ~ABLE a. [(vb ME *twisten* cogn. w.) n. OE *twist* (in *maxt-twist* mast-rope), f. root of TWO]

twis'ter, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: twisting ball in cricket or billiards; girder; inner part of thigh as proper place to rest upon on horseback. [-ER¹]

twit, v.t. (-tt-). Reproach, upbraid, taunt, (person *with* fault etc.). Hence ~t'ing-ly² adv. [OE *scholtan* (set at + *willan* blame)]

twitch¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Pull (thing off

etc.) with light jerk; pull at, jerk at, (person's sleeve etc.) esp. to call attention; (of features, muscles, limbs) move or contract spasmodically. 2. n. Sudden involuntary contraction or movement, sudden pull or jerk; veterinary appliance for stilling horse during operation. [(n. f. vb) ME *twicchen*, cf. G *zwicken*, OE *twiccan*]

twitch², n. = QUITCH. [dial. var.]

twite, n. Kind of linnet. [perh. imit. of cry]

twitt'er, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of bird) utter succession of light tremulous sounds, chirp; utter, express, thus. 2. n. Such series of sounds; (colloq., also ~A'TION n.) excited state. [(n. f. vb) ME *twiteren*, cf. G *zitschern*]

twixt, prep. = BETWIXT. [abbr.]

two (tʊ), a. & n. 1. One more than one, 2, ii; *one or ~*, a few (also lit.); *cut, divide*, etc.; *in ~* (into ~ parts); *~ can play at that game*, threat of retaliation; *put ~ & ~ together*, make inference from data; *in ~ ~s*, in a very short time. 2. ~cleft (Bot.), divided nearly to the middle in ~ parts; ~edged, (of sword etc.) having an edge on each side, (fig., of argument, compliment, etc.) cutting both ways, ambiguous; ~faced, (fig.) insincere; ~fold a. & adv., double, doubly; ~handed, having ~ hands, (of sword) requiring to be used with both hands, (of saw, game, etc.) to be worked, played, etc., by ~ persons; ~handled, -legged, -tipped, -masted, -petalled, -toothed, etc., (having ~ handles etc.); ~line a. (Print.), having a depth double that of the size specified, as ~line pica; || ~pence (tʊp'ns), sum of silver coin (now only as maundy money) worth ~ pence (~pence coloured, cheap &, as opp. penny plain, gaudy); || ~penny (tʊp'ent), (adj.) worth or costing ~pence, cheap, worthless, (n.) kind of beer orig. sold at ~pence a quart (hist.), (sl.) *tuck in your ~penny* (head, at leap-frog); || ~penny-halfpenny (tʊp'ent hāp'nt), contemptible, insignificant, trumpery; ~ply, of ~ strands, layers, or thicknesses, as ~ply rope, carpet; ~sided, having ~ sides, aspects, etc.; ~speed, adapted for ~ rates of speed, as ~speed gear, bicycle; ~step, kind of round dance in march or polka time; ~tongued, double-tongued, deceitful; ~way, (Electr., of switch) permitting current to be switched on or off from either of ~ points, (Plumbing, of cock) permitting fluid to flow in either of ~ channels, (Math.) having double mode of variation. Hence ~NESS n. [OE *twegen* masc., *twod* fem., *twod* or *tu* neut., cf. Du. *twee*, G *zwei*, ON *tvær*, L *duo*, Gk *duo*]

two some (tʊ-), a. & n. (Game, dance, etc.) for two persons. [-SOM]

twould, contr. of *it would*.

twy- pref., var. of TWI-.

twyer. See TUYER.

-ty¹, -ity, -ety, suff. in abstract nn., repr. F -té f. L -tatem (nom. -tas). L adj. or n. stems in -i- took -tas without change, as *felicitas*, *docilitas*, *civitas*; adj. stems in -o- changed -o- to -i- or when preceded by -i- to -e-, as *aquilas*, *benignitas*, *pietas* (*pious*), *varietas* (*various*), *satietas* (as if f. *salvus*); consonantal stems (nn. or rarely adj.) occas. added -i-, as *auctoritas* but *paupertas*; nn. f. comparatives, as *priority*, *seniority*, *majority*, *superiority*, date only f. med. L; in *plenitas*, *bonitas*, F dropped -i-, & this type was followed in E *plenty*, *bounty*, *fealty*, *loyalty*, *penalty*, etc.

-ty², suf. = tens, as *twenty*, *thirty*, *ninety*, (two, three, etc. tens); OE -tig, cogn. w. Ien & Goth. *tigjus*, Gk *dekas* (*deka* ten), decade.

Tyb'urn, n. (hist.). Place of execution in London; ~ tickel (hist.), exemption from parish offices etc. granted to one who prosecuted a felon to conviction; || ~ tippel, halter; || ~ tree, gallows. Hence **Tyb'urn'ia** n., fashionable London district north of Hyde Park.

Tychon'ic (-k-), a. Of the Danish astronomer Tycho Brahe (d. 1601) or his system. [-IC]

týcoon', n. Title applied by foreigners to shogun of Japan 1854-68; *(colloq.) business magnate. [f. Jap. *taikun* great prince]

tying. See TIE¹.

týke, ti-, n. Cur; || low fellow; *Forkshire ~*, Yorkshireman. [ME, f. ON *tik* bitch]

tyler. See TILER.

týl'opód, a. & n. (Animal) with padded not hooved digits, e.g. camel. Hence **týlóp'odous** a. [f. Gk *tulos* knob + *pous* podos foot]

týlós'is, n. (Path.) inflammation of eyelids with hardening of the margins; (Bot.) kind of growth formed in the cavity of a duct. So **týlor'ic** a. [f. Gk *tulos* make knotty (*tulos* knob), see -OSIS]

týl'óte, n. (zool.). Cylindrical sponge-spicule knobbed at ends. [as prec.]

týmp, n. Crown of opening in front of hearth in blast-furnace; short horizontal roof-timber in mine. [abbr. of foll.]

tým'pan, n. Stretched sheet of membrane or thin material; frame for equalizing pressure in some printing-presses; (Anat., Arohit.) = TYMPANUM. [OE, f. TYMPANUM]

týmpán'ic, a. Like, acting like, a drum-head; (Anat.) of the tympanum; ~ membrane, drum-membrane of ear; ~ (bone), bone of ear supporting this. [-IC]

tympanist. Var. of TIMPANIST.

týmpan|it'és (-z), n. Swelling of abdomen caused by air in intestine etc. Hence ~it'ic a. [LL f. Gk *tympanitis* of drum (TYMPANUM, -ITIS¹)]

týmpan'itis, n. Inflammation of lining membrane of tympanum. [-ITIS]

tým'panum, n. (pl. -na). (Anat.) middle ear, (also *tympanic membrane*) ear-drum; modified end of trachea in ducks etc.; (Archit.) triangular space forming field of pediment, similar space over door between lintel & arch, door-panel; drum-wheel for raising water from stream; kind of treadmill. [L, f. Gk *tympanon* drum]

Týn'wald (-ôld), n. Isle of Man legislature. [f. ON *thing-völr* place of assembly (thing assembly + *völr* field)]

type¹, n. 1. Person, thing, event, serving as illustration, symbol, prophetic similitude, or characteristic specimen, of another thing or of a class, as *water may serve as a ~ of instability*, *paschal lamb is a ~ of Christ*, *these things are a ~ (have a prophetic significance)*, *the treatment he received is but a ~ of what patriots must expect*, *person is an admirable ~ of modern athleticism or of the modern athlete*. 2. Class of things etc. having common characteristics, as *her beauty was of or belonged to another ~*, *dislike men of that ~*. 3. (biol. etc.). Plan of structure, as *deviates from the ~*; main division of animal or vegetable kingdom characterized by this, as *the vertebrate ~*; organism having the essential characteristics of its group (so ~ *genus*, genus giving its name to & having the characteristics of a higher group, e.g. a family); whence **týp'al** a. 4. (chem.). Compound whose structure illustrates that of many others, esp. hydrochloric acid, water, ammonia, & marsh-gas. 5. Object, conception, work of art, serving as model for subsequent artists. 6. Device on either side of medal or coin. 7. (print.). Piece of metal or wood having on its upper surface a letter or character for use in printing, (collect. sing.) set or supply or (with pl.) kind of these, as *wooden ~s are or ~ is now used only for posters*, *ran short of ~*, *short of certain ~s*, *was printed in various ~s* (kinds or sizes of ~), *printed in large ~*, *a large ~ Bible*; *brilliant, diamond, pearl, ruby, nonpareil, emerald, minion, brevier, bourgeois, long primer, small pica, pica, English, great primer, canon, ~* (principal sizes in ascending order); **BLACK**¹-letter, **CHURCH**¹-text, **CLARENDON**, **GERMAN**¹-text, **GOTHIC**, **ITALIC**, **ROMAN**¹, **RUNIC**, **SCRIPT**, ~; **FOUND**¹ of ~. 8. ~-bar, line of ~s in solid bar as cast in some ~-setting machines; ~-high, (of woodcut etc.) of proper height to print with ~; ~-metal, alloy used for printing ~s; ~-script, ~-written matter; ~-setter, compositor, (also) composing machine; ~-setting, setting of ~s in proper order for printing, ~-setting machine (for simplifying this process, occas. including the making of ~s as they are needed); ~-wheel, wheel bearing letters in relief as used in some ~-writers & telegraphs; ~-write, print (copy etc., or abs.) with ~-writer; ~-writer, machine for producing

printed characters on paper as substitute for handwriting, (now rare) typist. [F, f. L f. Gk *typos* blow, impress, model, f. *typtō* strike]

type², v.t. Be a type of; typewrite. [prec.]

týphl|it'is, n. Inflammation of caecum & vermiform appendix. Hence ~it'ic a. [f. Gk *typhlos* blind, w. ref. to CAECUM, + -ITIS]

týph'oid, a. & n. Like typhus; ~ (fever), infectious fever with eruption of red points on chest & abdomen & severe intestinal irritation, enteric; ~ *bacillus*, germ causing ~; ~ *condition* (of depressed vitality, occurring in many acute diseases); ~ *pneumonia* (combined with ~). Hence **týphoid**¹AL a. [f. **TYPHUS** + -OID]

týphomān'ia, n. Muttering delirium characteristic of typhus. [Gk (*typhō*-) f. *typhos* TYPHUS, -MANIA]

týphōōn', n. Violent hurricane in the China seas occurring esp. from July to October. Hence **týphōn'ic** a. [partly f. Arab. *tūfān* perh. f. Gk *typhōn* whirlwind, partly f. Chin. *tai fung* big wind]

týph'us, n. Fever marked by eruption of purple spots, great prostration, & usu. delirium; *malignant, simple, ~*, severe, mild, form of ~. Hence **týph'ous** a. [mod. L f. Gk *typhos* smoke, stupor]

týp'ic, a. = foll. (first sense). [f. F *typique*, f. L f. Gk *typos* (as TYPE¹, see -ic)]

týp'ical, a. Serving as a type or characteristic example, representative, symbolical, emblematic, (of), as a ~ *genus, plant, Scotsman*, is ~ *of the genus*, was ~ *of* (foreshadowed) *Christ's second coming*; characteristic of, serving to distinguish, a type, as ~ *markings, structure, phraseology*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *typicalis* (prec., -AL)]

týp'ify, v.t. Represent by a type, foreshadow; be a type of, embody the characteristics of. Hence ~IFICATION, ~ifier¹, nn. [as TYPE¹ + -FY]

týp'ist, n. User of typewriter. [f. TYPE¹ + -IST]

týp'ō, n. (sl.; pl. ~s). = TYPOGRAPHER. [abbr.]

týp'o- in comb. = TYPE¹, as: ~*ograph*, machine for making & setting type; ~*olite*, stone impressed with figure of animal etc., fossil; ~*ology*, doctrine, interpretation, (of esp. biblical) types, so ~*ological* a.; ~*onym* (Biol.), name based on a type, so ~*onymal*, ~*onym'ic*, aa.

týpōg'raph|y, n. Art of printing, whence ~EE¹ n.; character, appearance, of printed matter, as *faults of ~y*, the ~y was *admirable*. Hence **týpōgrāph'ic**(AL) aa., **týpōgrāph'icaly**² adv. [F (-ie), = TYPE + -O + -GRAPHY]

týrān'ic(al), a. (~ic rare). Acting like, characteristic of, a tyrant; arbitrary, imperious, despotic. Hence or cogn.

~ically², *tý'rannously*², adv., ~ical-
NESS n., *tý'rannous* a. [~ic f. F *tyran-
nique* f. L f. Gk *tyrannikos* (TYRANT, -IC)
+AL]

tý'rān'icide, n. Killer, killing, of a
tyrant. Hence ~*cid'AL* a. [F, f. L *tyran-
nicida*, -*cidium* (as TYRANT, see -CIDE)]

tý'rannize, v.i. & t. Play the tyrant, rule
despotically or cruelly (over person etc.);
(now rare) rule (person etc.) despotically.
[f. F *tyranniser* (TYRANT, see -IZE)]

tý'ranný, n. Despotic or cruel exercise
of power; instance of this, tyrannical
act or behaviour; rule of (Greek) tyrant,
period of this. [f. OF *tyrannie* f. med. L
(-ia) f. Gk *tyrannia*, -is, as foll.]

tý'r'ant, n. Oppressive or cruel ruler;
(Gk Hist.) absolute ruler owing his office
to usurpation, *Thirty T's*, oligarchs
ruling Athens 404-403 B.C.; ~bird, ~*fly-
catcher*, kinds of Amer. passerine bird.
[OF, f. L f. Gk *tyrannos*, w. assim. to
-ANT]

*tý're*¹, n. (Anglo-Ind.). Curdled milk &
cream. [Tamil *tayir*]

*tý're*². See TIRE².

tý'r'ô. See TIRO.

Týrolése' (-z), a. & n. (pl. same). (Native)
of the Tyrol. [-ESE]

Týrôll'enne', n. Dance of Tyrolean peas-
ants, song suitable for this. [F]

týrotôx'icôn, n. A ptomaine produced in
milk or cheese. [f. Gk *tyros* cheese +
toxikon poison]

Tý'r'r'hène, *Týrrhên'ian*, (-rê-), an. & nn.
Etruscan. [f. L f. Gk *Turrhēnos* + -IAN]

tzar etc. See CZAR etc.

tzetze. See TSETSE.

Tzigane (tsigahn'), a. & n. 1. Of the
Hungarian gipsies or their music. 2. n.
Hungarian gipsy. [F, f. Magyar *czigány*]

U

U, u, (û), letter (pl. *Us*, *U's*). *U-boat*,
German submarine [G *untersee*, under-
water]; *U-bolt*, -*tube*, etc. (shaped like
U); *U.P.* (sl. pronunc. of *up* adv., esp. *it's*
all U.P.).

ûbi'etý, n. Being in definite place, local
relation, whereness. [f. L *ubi* where,
see -TY]

ûbiquitār'ian, a. & n. (theol.). Of, be-
liever in, the omnipresence of Christ's
body. Hence ~ISM n. [foll., -ARIAN]

ûbiquit'y, n. Omnipresence; being
everywhere or in an indefinite number of
places at same time; || ~*y of the king*
(Law), his official presence in courts in
the person of his judges. Hence ~OUS a.,
~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n. [L *ubique*
everywhere f. *ubi* where, -ITY]

ûb'y sâp'ra, adv. In the place (in book
etc.) above mentioned. [L, lit. where
above]

|| *ûd'al*, n. Kind of freehold right based on

uninterrupted possession prevailing in
N. Europe before feudal system & still
in Orkney & Shetland (often attrib., as
~tenure); ~man, holder of property by
~, so ~LER¹ n. [f. ON *ôthal*, cf. OHG
uodil inherited property]

ûdd'er, n. Mammary glands of cattle etc.
esp. when large & having more than one
teat. Hence (-)~ED² (-erd), ~LESS, an.
[OE *ûder*, cf. Du. *uier*, G *euler*, cogn. w.
L *uber*, Gk *oulhar*]

ûdôm'eter, n. Rain-gauge. Hence *ûdo-
mêt'ric* a. [f. F *udomètre* f. L *udus* damp
+ -O + -METER]

ugh (ôoh), int. expr. disgust or horror.

ûg'ly, a. & n. 1. Unpleasant or repulsive
to sight, as an ~ *beast of a bulldog*, *must*
not make ~ faces, *the ugliest house I have*
seen, *has an ~ scar on the forehead*;
morally repulsive, vile, discreditable, un-
pleasant, unpleasantly suggestive, threat-
ening, unpromising, as ~ *vices*, *his*
conduct has an ~ look, ~ *rumours are*
about, an ~ (awkward) *job*, an ~ *customer*,
formidable person, *cloud has an ~ look*,
have had ~ weather, an ~ *gash*; ~
duckling, person who turns out the genius
etc. of the family after being thought
the dullard etc. (w. ref. to cygnet in brood
of ducks in an Andersen tale). Hence
ûg'ly'ry v.t., *ûg'ly'ry*² adv., *ûg'liness* n.
2. n. || Shade worn as appendage to bonnet
about middle of 19th c. [f. ON *uggligr*
fearful (*ugg* fear + *-ligr* -LY¹)]

Ug'rian, *Ug'ric*, (ôo-), an. Finnic. [f.
name of a tribe + -IAN, -IC]

uh'lan (ôo-, ô-), n. (hist.). Cavalryman
armed with lance in some European
armies. [G, f. Pol. *ulan* f. Turk. *oghlan*
son, child]

Uitlander (ât'lônder), n. (S. Africa).
Foreigner, alien. [Du., f. *uit* out + *land*
land; cf. OUTLANDISH]

ûkâse', n. Edict of Czarist Russian
government; any arbitrary order. [f.
Russ. *ukaz'* ordinance, edict]

ukulele (ûkulä'lê), n. Four-stringed
Hawaiian guitar. [native]

~ul- in comb. = -ULE, forming derivative
adj. etc. with or without dim. sense &
often preferred to direct formations from
parent noun (*glandular*, *globulin*, *nodu-
lose*).

ûl'cer, n. Open sore on external or internal
surface of body with secretion of pus
etc.; (fig.) moral blemish, corrupting in-
fluence, etc. Hence or cogn. ~ED² (-erd),
~OUS, aa., ~OUSLY² adv., ~OUSNESS n. [f.
L *ulcus* -eris sore, cf. Gk *helkos* wound,
sore]

ûl'cer'âte, v.i. & t. Form, convert or be
converted into, affect with, an ulcer (lit. &
fig.). Hence or cogn. ~ABLE, ~ATIVE, aa.,
~ATION n. [f. L *ulcerare* (prec.), -ATE²].
~ule, suf. of dimm. f. L *ulus* in -ulus, -ula,
-ulum, as *globule* (L *globulus* f. *globus*),
granule, *muscle*, & in mod. wds. on L

anal. *anguillule*; also *-le*, as *angle*. In *pendule*, *-ule* has diff. orig.

U'léma (ؤ-), n. Moslem doctors of sacred law & theology esp. in former Turk. empire. [f. Arab. *'ulema* pl. of *'alim* learned f. *'alama* know]

-ulent, suf. of adj. f. L, repr. L *-ulentus*, the normal form of *-lentus* -LENT, as in *fraud-*, *turb-*, *truc-*. Hence n. suf. *-ulence*.

ül'i'ginöse, a. (bot.). Growing in muddy places. [f. L *uliginosus* (*uligo* -*ginis* moisture, see -OSE¹)]

üll'äge, n. (commerce.). What a cask etc. wants of being full. [Af *ulliage*, OF *ouillage* (*ouiller* fill up, -AGE)]

ül'm'in, n. (chem.). Black gummy substance found on elm & other trees & in vegetable mould etc. Hence ~IC, ~OUS, aa. (chem.). [f. L *ulmus* elm + -IN]

ül'n'a, n. (pl. ~ae). Inner of two bones of forearm (cf. RADIUS). Hence ~AR¹ a., ~O- comb. form. [L, =elbow, cf. Gk *ōlēnē*, & ELL]

ülöt'rich'an a. & n., ~ous a., (-k-). Woolly-haired; (member) of the woolly-haired division of mankind. [f. Gk *oulos* woolly + *thriv trikhos* hair + -AN, -OUS]

ül'ster, n. Long loose overcoat often with belt orig. of U- frieze, whence ~ED¹ (-erd) a.; U- *custom*, form of tenant-right in Ireland. [place]

ültër'ior, a. Situated beyond; more remote, not immediate, in the future, in the background, beyond what is seen or avowed, (~ *views*, *object*, *plans*). Hence ~LY² adv. [L, compar. of adj. seen in ULTRA-]

ül'tima, a. Last, most remote, (in phrr. : ~ *ratio* (-shi-), final argument esp. force; ~ *ratio rēg'um*, last argument of kings, resort to arms; ~ *thule*). [L, fem. of *ultimus*, superl. as prec.]

ül'timate, a. Last, final, beyond which no other exists or is possible, as ~ *result*, *analysis*; fundamental, primary, as ~ *basis*, ~ *principles*, *truths*, ~ *cause* (beyond which no other can be found), the ~ *facts of nature* (beyond reach of analysis). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. Ll *ultimare* come to an end (*ultimus*, as prec.), see -ATE²]

ültimat'um, n. (pl. -*tums*, -*ta*). Final proposal or statement of terms, rejection of which by opposite party may lead to rupture, declaration of war, etc.; ultimate conclusion; fundamental principle. [neut. p.p. as prec.]

ül'timō, adj. (usu. abbr. *ult.*). In the month preceding that now current (cf. PROXIMO, INSTANT¹), as *your letters of the 28th ult. & 3rd inst.* [L, = in last (mense) month, see ULTIMA]

ültimogén'iture, n. System in which youngest son (cf. PRIMOGÉNITURE) takes inheritance, = BOROUGH-ENGLESH. [f. L *ultimus* (see ULTIMA) ON PRIMOGÉNITURE]

ül'tra, a. & n. Favouring, advocate of, extreme views or measures. [orig. as abbr. of F *ultra-royaliste*]

ül'tra-, pref. = L *ultra* beyond, on the other side of, esp. as living pref. to adj. & their derivatives w. senso 'excessively, beyond what is usual or natural or reasonable', as ~ *classical*, ~ *conservatism*, ~ *conservative*, ~ *cosmopolitan*, ~ *critical*, ~ *fashionable*, ~ *partisan*, ~ *Protestant(ism)*, ~ *religious*; applied to instruments for very minute measurements or observations, as ~ *micrometer*, ~ *microscope*; ~ *microscopic*, beyond the range of any microscope; ~ *short wave* (Wireless), having a wave-length below 10 metres.

ül'tra'list, n. Holder of extreme opinions in politics, religion, etc. So ~ISM n. [-IST]

ül'tramarine' (-én), a. & n. 1. Situated beyond the sea. 2. n. Blue pigment got from lapis lazuli; *artificial* ~ (made by mixing clay, carbonate of soda, sulphur, & resin); ~ *ashes*, residuum of lapis lazuli after extraction of ~, used by old masters for neutral flesh-tints etc. [f. med. L *ULTRA(marinus MARINE)*; n. sense from fact that lapis lazuli was brought from beyond sea]

ül'tramön'täne, a. & n. 1. Situated south of the Alps; Italian; favourable to the absolute authority of the Pope in matters of faith & discipline, whence ~ *anism*, ~ *anist*, nn. 2. n. One who resides south of the Alps, person holding ~ *ane* views. [f. med. L *ULTRA(montanus f. L mons -ntis mountain + -ANE)*; earlier in senses, 'north of Alps', 'unfavourable to Pope', etc., cf. TRAMONTANE, CIS-montane]

ül'tramün'däne, a. Beyond the world or the solar system; of another life. [f. Ll *ULTRA(mundanus MUNDANE)*]

ül'tra-vi'olét, a. (Of invisible rays of the spectrum) beyond the violet rays. [ULTRA-]

ül'tra vī'ēs (-z), adv. or pred. a. Beyond one's power or authority. [L]

ül'ül'äte, v.l. Howl; hoot. So ~ANT a., ~ATION n. [f. L *ululare*, see -ATE²]

~um. See -UM.

üm'bel, n. (bot.). Flower-cluster in which stalks nearly equal in length spring from common centre & form a flat or convex or concave surface as in parsley. Hence ~IAL, ~IAR¹, ~IATE², ~IFEROUS, üm'bél'iforM, aa., ~IET¹, üm'bél'ULB, nn. [f. L *umbella* sunshade dim. of UMBRA]

üm'ber, n., a., & v.t. 1. Natural pigment like ochre but darker & browner (*raw* ~, this in natural state, of dark yellow colour, *burnt* ~, redder & deeper in colour), whence ~² a.; grayling; ~-bird (also *umbrette*), Afr. bird allied to stork & heron. 2. adj. Of ~ colour, dark, dusky. 3. v.t. Colour with ~. [(vb & adj. f. n.) f. OF *ombre* (or *terre d'ombre*) f. L *umbra* shade, or f. fem. of L *Umbra* Umbrian]

ūmbil'ical (or -ik'al), a. Of, situated near, the umbilicus, as ~ cord, ropelike structure passing from foetus to placenta; central; connected through the female line, as an ~ ancestor. [f. med. L *umbilicalis* (UMBILICUS, -AE)]

ūmbil'iculate, a. Shaped like a navel, whence ~ATION n.: having an umbilicus. [f. L *umbilicatus* (UMBILICUS, -ATE²)]

ūmbilic'us, n. Navel, whence **ūmbilif'EROUS**, **ūmb'iliform**, aa.; (Bot., Zool., Conch.) navel-like formation; (Geom.) point in a surface through which all lines of curvature pass; (Rom. Ant.) boss at each end of stick on which MS. was rolled. [L, cogn. w. Gk *omphalos*, & NAVEL]

ūm'bō, n. (pl. ~s, ~nes pr. -ōn'ēz). Boss of shield, esp. in centre; (Bot., Zool., etc.) boss, knob, protuberance. Hence **ūm'bonal**, **ūm'bonate**², **ūmbōn'ic**, aa. [L, gen. -ōnis]

ūm'br'a, n. (pl. ~ae). (Astron.) total shadow (cf. PENUMBRA) cast by the earth or moon in an eclipse; dark central part of sun-spot (cf. PENUMBRA); (Rom. Ant.) uninvited guest brought by a guest. Hence ~AL a. [L, = shade]

ūm'brage, n. Sense of slight or injury, offence, as *give, take, ~*; (chiefly poet.) shade, what gives shade, so **ūmbrāge'OUS** (-jəs) a. [f. F *ombrage* f. L *umbraticum* (UMBRA, see -AGE)]

ūmbrēll'a, n. 1. Light circular canopy of silk or other material attached to radiating folding frame sliding on stick carried in the hand as protection against rain or (now usu. *sunshade, parasol*) sun; (fig.) a screen of fighter aircraft or (in full ~ *barrage*) a curtain of fire put up as protection against enemy aircraft; gelatinous disk of jellyfish etc. by contraction & expansion of which it swims; (also ~ *shell*) gastropod with ~like shell. 2. ~ *bird*, kinds of S.-Amer. bird with radiating crest: ~ *stand* (for holding closed ~s, usu. with pan at bottom to catch drippings); ~ *tree*, small kind of magnolia with leaves in ~like whorl at end of branch, (collog.) tree so grafted or trained that its branches droop in ~ form. Hence ~'d [-ED¹] a. [f. It. *ombrella*, dim. of *ombra* shade f. UMBRA]

umbrette. See UMBER.

Um'brian (ū-), a. & n. 1. Of (ancient or modern) Umbria; ~ *school*, school of painting to which Raphael & Perugino belonged. 2. n. Language, inhabitant, of ancient Umbria. [-AN]

ūmbrif'EROUS, a. Affording shade. [f. L *umbrifer* (UMBRA, see -FEROUS)]

um'ink (ŏm'yāk), n. Eskimo boat worked by women. [Esk.]

umlaut (ŏm'lowt), n., & v.t. 1. (In Germanic languages) vowel change due to i or u (now usu. lost or altered) in following syllable (e.g. German *mann*

männer, fuss füsse, English man men). 2. v.t. Modify (form, sound) by the ~. [G (um- around + laut sound)]

ūm'pīre, n., & v.t. & t. 1. (Law) third person called in to decide between arbitrators who disagree; person chosen to decide question; person chosen to enforce rules & settle disputes in cricket or other game. Hence **ūm'pīrage**(3), ~SHIP, un. 2. v.b. Act as ~ (for persons, in game etc.), act as ~ in (game). [(v.b. f. n.) ME *nompere* f. OF *nompere* peerless, not equal, in sense *third man, odd man*, (non not + per FEER¹); for loss of n- cf. ADDER]

ūmp'teen, a. (sl.). Several, many, a lot of. [Joc. form. on TEEN]

'un, pron. (collog.). One, as *that's a good 'un, he's a tough 'un, stiff-'uns race*.

ūn-¹, pref. of vbs w. neg. sense & usu. denoting action contrary to or annulling that of the simple vb. The pref. being unlimited in use, only a selection of the existing vbs & derivative wds is here given. Adj. in -able, -ed, & -ing, are identical in form with vbs in UN-¹, with or without material difference in meaning; *undoable, unstrappable*, may mean 'that can be undone, unstrapped', or 'that cannot be done, strapped'; *unbracing* may mean 'that unbraces' or 'that does not brace'; an *unbending* person is one fond of or averse to relaxation; an *un²coiled* rope must be coiled before it can be *un¹coiled*; an *unbridled¹* horse may (un-¹) or may not (UN-²) have been previously bridled, in either case he is now *un¹bridled²*. As a rule, the UN-² forms of such adj. are current, the others not. The stress in the foll. wds is not marked, being the same as in the simple vb or n. or, where that is monosyllabic, falling on the second syllable (*undecieve', unsay'*); but p.p.p. or adj. in -ed, whether in un-¹ or UN-², tend in attrib. use to take stress on un- (cf. -ED²), as an *un¹masked villain*, an *un¹muzzled hound*, *villain was un¹masked*, *dog was un¹muzzled*.

1. Wds formed upon a simple verb & with contrary sense (rarely v. intensified negative sense, as *unloose*). The distinction between some of these & the vbs in the following groups, which appear to be formed rather on a noun, is necessarily arbitrary, the assumed simple vb (identical in form with the noun, from which it is usu. derived) being often rare or non-existent in the required senses of 'furnish with', 'place in', etc. **EXX.**: *unanchor* v.t. & i.; *unattire* v.t. & i.; *unbalance* v.t.; *unbank* v.t., cause (fire) to burn briskly by removing ashes from top; *unbar* v.t., remove bar from (gate etc.). unlock, open, (often fig.); *unbear* v.t., take off or relax bearing-rain of (horse); *unbend* v.t. & i., change from bent position, straighten, relax (mind

etc.) from strain or exertion, rid oneself of constraint, be affable, whence *unbending*¹ a., (Naut.) *unfasten* (sails) from yards & stays, cast (cable) loose, untie (rope); *unbesem* v.t., be unbecoming to; *unbias* v.t., free from bias; *unblind* v.t., release from bonds or binding; *unblindfold* v.t.; *unblock* v.i. & t. (Cards), play high card to avoid interrupting partner's long suit, give free scope to (partner's suit) by such play; *unbolt* v.t., release (door etc.) by drawing back bolt; *unbonnet* v.i. & t., take off cap etc. e.g. in salutation, remove the bonnet of; *unbosom* v.i. & t., disclose one's secret feelings, disclose (thoughts etc.); *unbrace* v.t., remove the braces of, free from tension, relax (nerves etc.); *unbraid* v.t., separate the strands of; *unbreach* v.t., free the breach (cannon) from fastenings etc.; *unbridle* v.t., remove bridle from (horse, fig. person, tongue, etc.); *unbuckle* v.t., release the buckle of (strap, shoe, etc.); *unburden* v.t., relieve of burden, relieve (oneself, conscience, etc.) by confession etc. to person; *unbutton* v.t., open (coat etc.) by withdrawing buttons from buttonholes; *unchain* v.t.; *unchristianize* v.t.; *unclasp* v.t., loosen the clasp of; *unclench*, -inch, v.t. & i.; *unclog* v.t.; *unclose* v.t. & i., open; *unclothe* v.t.; *uncock* v.t., let down hammer of (gun) softly so as not to explode charge; *uncoil* v.t. & i.; *uncord* v.t.; *uncork* v.t., draw cork from (bottle), (colloq.) vent or expression to (feelings etc.); *uncouple* v.t., release (dogs, railway-cars, etc.) from couples or couplings; *uncover* v.t. & i., remove covering from, lay bare, disclose, take off one's hat or cap, (Mil., of front line) expose (the line behind) by wheeling to right or left; *uncreate*¹ v.t., annihilate; *uncross* v.t., remove (legs, arms, knives, etc.) from crossed position; *uncurb* v.t.; *uncurl* v.t.; *undecieve* v.t., free from deception, whence *undecieved*¹ a.; *undeify* v.t.; *undo* v.t., annul (cannot ~ the past, our past actions), untie or unfasten or unloose (coat, button, parcel), unfasten the buttons or garments or stays of (person), ruin the prospects or reputation or morals of, whence *undoer*, *undoing*, nn., *undone*¹ a.; *undomesticate* v.t.; *undrape* v.t.; *undress*¹ v.t. & i., take off the clothes of, take off one's clothes, whence *undressed*¹ a.; *unegoize* v.t.; *unentangle* v.t.; *unequalize* v.t.; *unfasten* v.t., whence *unfastened*¹ a.; *unfetter* v.t., whence *unfettered*¹ a.; *unfeudalize* v.t.; *unfile* v.t., remove (paper) from file; *unfit* v.t., make unsuitable (for); *unfix* v.t., whence *unfixed*¹ a.; *unfold*¹ v.t. & i., open the folds of, spread out, (fig.) reveal (thoughts, designs), become opened out, develop; *unform* v.t.; *unfurl* v.t. & i., spread out (sail), become spread out; *ungear* v.t., strip of gear, throw out of

gear; *ungild* v.t.; *ungird* v.t.; *unglaze* v.t.; *unhallow* v.t., profane, desecrate; *unhand* v.t., take one's hands off, release from one's grasp; *unhang* v.t., remove from hanging position, strip (wall etc.) of hangings; *unharness* v.t.; *unhasp* v.t., loose from hasp; *unhinge* v.t., take (door) off its hinges, disorder (mind etc.), whence *unhinged* a.; *unhitch* v.t.; *unhook* v.t., remove from hook, open (dress etc.) by detaching its hooks; *unhoop* v.t.; *unhouse* v.t., deprive of shelter, drive from house; *unhumanize* v.t.; *unjoin* v.t.; *unjoint* v.t., separate joints of (fishing-rod etc.); *unkink* v.t. & i.; *unknit* v.t.; *unknot* v.t.; *unlace* v.t., loose or open by undoing lacc(s) of (boot, stays, etc.); *unlade* v.t.; *unlash* v.t. (Naut.); *unlatch* v.t., relax latch of (door); *unlay* v.t. (Naut.), untwist; *unlearn* v.t., expel from one's memory, forget the knowledge of, rid oneself of (esp. false or misleading information, habit, etc.); *unline* v.t., remove lining of; *unlink* v.t.; *unload* v.t., remove load from (ship, cart, etc., or abs.), remove (load) from ship etc., (Stock Exch.) get rid of (stocks or shares), sell out, withdraw charge from (gun etc.); *unlock* v.t., release lock of (door, box, etc., fig. mind etc.), (fig.) disclose (secret etc.); *unlodge* v.t., dislodge; *unloose* v.t., loose; *unmake* v.t., destroy, annul; *unmask* v.t. & i., remove the mask from, expose (villain, villainy), take off one's mask, reveal one's true character etc.; *unmew* v.t. (poet., rhet.), release; *unmoor* v.t., loose the moorings of (vessel etc. or fig., also abs.), weigh one of two or more anchors of (vessel); *unmortise* v.t.; *unmould* v.t., change the form of; *unmuffle* v.t. & i., remove muffer from (face, bell, etc.), remove muffer etc. from one's face; *unmuzzle* v.t., (esp., fig.) relieve of obligation to remain silent; *unnaturalize* v.t., make unnatural; *unnerve* v.t., deprive of nerve or strength or resolution, whence *unnerved* a.; *unpack* v.t., open & remove contents of (package, box, etc., or abs.), take out (contents) from package etc.; *unpeg* v.t., remove the peg(s) from or of, open thus; *unpeople* v.t., depopulate; *unpick* v.t., undo (stitches, garment, etc.) by picking, open with pick; *unpin* v.t., unfasten by removing pins; *unplait* v.t.; *unplug* v.t.; *unpreach* v.t., recant in preaching; *unravel* v.t., separate (threads etc.), separate the threads of (material), disentangle (lit. & fig.); *unreel* v.t. & i., unwind, become unwound, from reel; *unreeve* v.t. (Naut.); *unrein* v.t., give the rein to (often fig.); *unriddle* v.t., solve or explain (riddle, mystery); *unrig* v.t. (Naut.); *unrip* v.t., rip open or apart; *unrivel* v.t.; *unroll* v.t. & i., open (roll of cloth etc.), (of roll) be opened, display, be displayed; *unromanize* v.t.; *unroot* v.t., pull up by root; *unsaddle* v.t. (often

abs.); *unsay* v.t., retract (statement), whence *unsaid*¹ a.; *unscrew* v.t., unfasten by removing screws, loosen (screw); *unseal* v.t., break the seal of, open, (letter etc.); *unseam* v.t., rip open (garment etc.) at seam; *unseat* v.t., remove from seat, throw from seat on horseback, depose (M.P. etc.) from seat, whence *unseated*¹ a.; *unset* v.t., remove (gem) from its setting; *unsettle* v.t., disturb orderly arrangement of, discompose, disincite to routine etc. (*holidays ~ me*), derange (intellect), whence *unsettled*¹ a.; *unshackle* v.t.; *unshathe* v.t.; *unship* v.t., unload (cargo), disembark (passenger), (Naut.) remove (oar, tiller, etc.) from place where it is fixed or fitted, whence *unshipped*¹ a.; *unslung* v.t. (esp. Naut.); *unspeak* v.t., retract; *unsteel* v.t., soften, relax, (resolution, person); *unstick* v.t., separate (thing stuck to another); *come unstuck*, sl., come to grief, fail; *unstick* v.t., undo stitches of; *unstock* v.t., deprive of stock, remove (gun-barrel) from stock; *unstop* v.t., free from obstruction, remove stopper from; *unstrap* v.t., remove or undo the strap(s) of; *unstring* v.t., remove the strings of, loosen strings of (harp etc.), take (beads etc.) off string, weaken (nerves), weaken nerves of (person etc.), whence *unstrung* a.; *unswaddle* v.t.; *unswathe* v.t.; *unswear* v.t., recant by oath; *unlack* v.t., disjoin separate, (thing tacked to another) *untangle* v.t.; *unteach* v.t.; *untemper* v.t. take away the temper of (metal etc.); *untether* v.t.; *unthink* v.t., retract in thought; *unthread* v.t., take thread out of (needle), find one's way out of (maze); *untie* v.t., undo (knot etc.), undo the cords etc. of (bundle, package, etc.) liberate from bonds, whence *untied*¹ a.; *untruss* v.t.; *untuck* v.t.; *untune* v.t. put out of tune (lit. & fig.); *untwine* v.t. & i.; *untwist* v.t. & i.; *unveil* v.t. & i. remove veil from, remove one's veil remove concealing drapery from (statue etc.) with ceremonies; *unvote* v.t., retract by vote (what has been voted); *unwarp* v.t., restore from warped state; *unweave* v.t., take to pieces (textile fabric) separate (woven threads); *unwill* v.t. will the reverse of (what one has willed) *unwind* v.t. & i., draw out at length (what is wound), become thus drawn out whence *unwound*¹ a.; *unwork* v.t., undo destroy, (fabric etc.); *unwarp* v.t.; *unwrinkle* v.t.; *unyoke* v.t. & i., release (as from yoke, fig.) cease work.

2. Vbs formed on n. or vb—see (1)—& having sense 'deprive of', 'separate from'. A simple vb sometimes exists in same sense, e.g. (*un*)bone, (*un*)husk, (*un*)shell. Exx.: *unapparel* v.t.; *unarm* v.t. deprive of arms or armour, whence *unarmed*¹ a.; *unballast* v.t.; *unbelt* v.t. *unbone* v.t.; *unboot* v.t. & i.; *unbowl* v.t.

uncap v.t.; *uncloak* v.t.; *uncowl* v.t., uncover (face) by removing cowl, unmonk; *uncrown* v.t., deprive (esp. fig. king etc.) of crown; *unedge* v.t., destroy edge of, blunt; *unface* v.t., expose; *unfeather* v.t.; *unfence* v.t.; *unflesh* v.t.; *unflower* v.t.; *unframe* v.t.; *unfrock* v.t., deprive of frock or (fig.) of ecclesiastical rank; *ungirdle* v.t.; *unglove* v.t. & i., deprive of, take off one's gloves; *ungown* v.t.; *ungum* v.t.; *unhair* v.t.; *unhat* v.t.; *unhelm* v.t.; *unhusk* v.t.; *unlead* v.t. (Print.), remove leads from (types); *unlimber* v.t. & abs.; *unman* v.t., deprive (esp. ship) of men, see also (4); *unmanile* v.t.; *unnail* v.t., take nails out of, unfasten (box etc.) thus; *unplume* v.t.; *unprop* v.t.; *unring* v.t.; *unrobe* v.t. & i., undress; *unroof* v.t.; *unrump* v.t.; *unscale* v.t., remove scales of; *unself* v.t., rid of self, unegoize; *unsex* v.t., deprive (usu. woman) of the qualities of the sex; *unshell* v.t.; *unshoe* v.t., take shoes off (horse etc.); *unshot* v.t., remove shot from (gun); *unshutter* v.t.; *unsinew* v.t.; *unsister* v.t.; *unsolder* v.t.; *unspare* v.t.; *unstarch* v.t., free from starch or (fig.) stiffness or reserve; *unstopper* v.t.; *untile* v.t.; *untin* v.t.; *untooth* v.t.; *unturf* v.t.

3. Vbs similarly formed with sense 'release from', 'take out of', 'displace from'. Exx.: *unbag* v.t.; *unbed* v.t.; *unbitt* v.t. (Naut.); *unbox* v.t.; *uncage* v.t.; *uncart* v.t.; *uncase* v.t.; *unchurch* v.t., excommunicate; *uncloister* v.t.; *uncoop* v.t.; *undock* v.t.; *unearth* v.t., drive (fox etc.) from an earth, dig up, (fig.) bring to light; *unfold*² v.t., release (sheep) from fold; *unhive* v.t.; *unhorse* v.t., throw from horse, (of horse) throw (rider), cause to dismount; *unleash* v.t.; *unnest* v.t.; *unpen* v.t.; *unperch* v.t.; *unroost* v.t.; *unsnare* v.t.; *unspell* v.t., release from spell; *unsphere* v.t.; *unstep* v.t. (Naut.); *untent* v.t.; *unthrone* v.t.; *unlomb* v.t.

4. Occasional vbs formed chiefly f. nouns with sense 'cause to be no longer', 'degrade from the position of'. Exx.: *unbishop* v.t.; *unduke* v.t.; *unking* v.t.; *unlord* v.t.; *unman* v.t., deprive of manly qualities, break the courage of, dishearten, emasculate, see also (2); *unmonk* v.t.; *unpope* v.t.; *unprelate* v.t.; *unpriest* v.t.; *unprince* v.t.; *unqueen* v.t.; *unquire* v.t.; *unvicar* v.t. [OE, cf. Du. *ont*, G *ent*, Goth. *and* (as in ANSWER¹)]

5. *ün*², pref. giving negative sense to adj. with their derivative nn. & adv., & to a miscellaneous group of nn. chiefly of independent formation.

1. Of the many adj. formed with *un*, esp. of those in *-able*, *-ed*, *-ing*, for which cf. UN¹, only a selection is here given. The sense of *un* is either simply 'not' (as in most adj. in *-able*, *-ed*, *-ing*, & in some others, as *unofficial*) or more commonly 'the reverse of', with implication

of praise, blame, etc. Between *un-* & *in-*² a differentiation has been suggested according to which *inartistic* means 'contrary to rules of art', 'such as an artist would condemn', & *unartistic* means 'not concerned with rules of art'; & pairs of words may be found that bear out the distinction, esp. where one of the pair has long been restricted to the proposed sense & the other has been manufactured or revived to supply its deficiencies (*immoral*, *unmoral*). But the purely neutral sense thus ascribed to *un-* is not that found in many of the most familiar adjs. (*unbeautiful*, *unfair*, *ungraceful*, *ungracious*, *unkind*, *unjust*, *ungenerous*, *untrue*, *unscrupulous*, *unmanly*, *unscholarly*, *unladylike*, *unchristian*), including some of the exact type of *unartistic* (*unscientific*, *unphilosophical*): when we say that a thing is *untrue*, we do not mean that it does not matter for our purpose whether it is true or not, but that it is culpably inconsistent with truth. Apart from the adj. in *-able*, *-ed*, *-ing*, both *un-* & *in-* more commonly have this implication of blame etc., the purely neutral sense being often given by *non-*(5). *in-*² is preferred to *un-* with certain terminations of L orig., e.g. *-ate*, *-ile*, *-ant*, *-ent*, *-ble* (exc. *-able*, now a living E suf.), is for the most part arch. with *-ed*¹ (*indigested* etc., but cf. *inexperienced*), and is not used with *-ing*, *-ful*, *-like*, *-ly*, etc. Derivatives in *-ly*, *-ness*, *-th*, etc., are briefly recorded; stress follows that of the simple adj.; but for adj. in *-ed* see *un*¹. Exx.: *unabashed*; *unabated*; *unabbreviated*; *unabettled*; *unabiding*; *unabole*, not able (to do); *unabridged*; *unabsorbable*; *unabsorbed*; *unabsorbent*; *unaccented*; *unaccentuated*; *unacceptable*; *unaccommodating*; *unaccompanied*, not accompanied (Mus.) without accompaniment; *unaccomplished*, not accomplished or achieved, lacking accomplishments; *unaccordant*; *unaccountable* (*-billy*, *-bleness*, *-bly*), that cannot be explained, strange, not responsible; *unaccoured*; *unaccredited*; *unaccused*; *unaccustomed*, not accustomed (to), not usual (*his ~ silence*); *unachievable*; *unachieved*; *unacknowledged*; *unacquainted*; *unacquirable*; *unacquired*; *unacted*; *unadaptable*; *unadopted*; *unadicted*; *unaddressed*; *unadjudged*; *unadjusted*; *unadministered*; *unadvised*; *unadmonished*; *unadopted*, || (esp., of new roads) not taken over for maintenance by the local authority; *unadorned*; *unadulterated*; *unadventurous*; *unadvisable* (*-billy*); *unadvised* (*-dilly*), indiscreet, rash, without advice; *unaffable*; *unaffected* (*-ly*, *-ness*), free from affectation, genuine, sincere, not affected (*by*); *unaffiliated*; *unafflicted*; *unaggressive*; *unaided*; *unalarmed*; *unalleviated*; *unalloyed*; *unallowable*; *unalloyed*; *unalterable* (*-billy*,

-bleness, *-bly*); *unaltered*; *unamazed*; *unambiguous* (*-ly*, *-ness*); *unambitious* (*-ly*, *-ness*); *unamenable*; *unamendable*; *un-American*, not American, foreign to American customs or ideas; *unamiable* (*-billy*, *-bleness*, *-bly*); *unamusing*; *unanalyzable*; *unanalyzed*; *unanimated*; *unannounced*; *unanswerable* (*-billy*, *-bleness*, *-bly*), that cannot be answered or refuted; *unanswered*; *unanticipated*; *unapostrophic*; *unapostolic*, contrary to apostolic usage, not having apostolic authority; *unappalled*; *unapparelled*; *unapparent*; *unappeasable*; *unappeased*; *unappetizing* (*-ly*); *unapplied*; *unappreciated*; *unappreciative*; *unapprehended*; *unapprehensive*; *unappressed*; *unapproachable* (*-billy*, *-bleness*, *-bly*); *unappropriated* (~ blessing, joc., old maid); *unapproved*; *unapproving* (*-ly*); *unapt* (*-ly*, *-ness*); *unarmed*²; *unarmoured*; *unarranged*; *unarrayed*; *unarrested*; *unartificial* (*-ly*), not artificial, natural; *unartistic*; *unascertainable*; *unascertained*; *unashamed*; *unasked*; *unaspirated*; *unaspiring* (*-ly*); *unassailable*, not assailable, (of statement etc.) against which nothing can be said; *unassayed*; *unassignable*; *unassimilated*; *unassisted*; *unassuming*, making little of one's merits or status; *unattached*, not attached, (Law) not seized for debt, (Mil.) not assigned to regiment or company, (Univ., of student) belonging to no college; *unattainable* (*-ness*); *unattempted*; *unattended*; *unattended*; *unattractive* (*-ly*, *-ness*); *unaugmented*; *unauthentic* (*-ity*); *unauthenticated*; *unauthorized*; *unavailable*; *unavailing* (*-ly*), ineffectual; *unavenged*; *unavoidable* (*-bly*); *unaware*; *unaware*, not aware (of, that, etc.); *unawares* (*ünawaritz'*) [-ES] adv. & n., unexpectedly, by surprise, unintentionally, as was taken ~ by his question, must have dropped it ~, (n.) at ~, unexpectedly; *unbacked*, not supported, having no backers (esp. in betting), (of horse) unbroken, not taught to bear rider; *unbalanced*, (esp., of the mind) disordered, violently impulsive; *unbaptized*; *unbearable* (*-bly*); *unbeaten*, not beaten, not surpassed (~ record etc.); *unbeautiful*, ugly; *unbecoming* (*-ly*, *-ness*), indecorous (an ~ speech), not befitting (person, to or for person), not suited to the wearer (an ~ hat); *unbefitting*; *unbefriended*; *unbegotten*; *unbeknown*, *-knownst* [-ES], (colloq.), not known, esp. ~ to quasi-adv., without the knowledge of, as *did it ~ to him*; *unbelievable*; *unbelieving* (*-ly*), not believing esp. in divine revelation; *unbeloved* (*-vd*); *unbending*² (*-ly*, *-ness*), not bending, inflexible, firm, austere; *unbeneficed*; *unbeseeching* (*-ly*); *unbesought*; *unbespoken*; *unbias(ed)*; *unbiblical*, not in or authorized by the Bible; *unbidden*, not commanded, not invited; *unbigoted*; *unbleached*; *unblemished*; *unblest*; *unblooded*, (of horse etc.) not thoroughbred; *unblush-*

ing (-ly, -ness); *unbookish*; *unborn*; *unbounded* (-ly, -ness), not bounded (*by*, or *abs.*), infinite; *unbred*; *unbridable*; *unbridled*, not bridled, esp. fig., as ~ *insolence*, *temper*; *unbroken* (-ly, -ness), not broken, not subdued, not interrupted (*slumber*, *peace*), not surpassed (~ *record*), not broken in (~ *horse*); *unbrotherly*; *unburdened*; *unburied*; *unbusinesslike*; *uncalled*, not called, esp. ~ *for*, impertinently obtruded, as *the remark was ~ for, his ~ for remark*; *uncandid* (-ly); *uncanny* (-iness), weird, mysterious, not canny; *uncanonical* (-ly, -ness); *uncanonized*; *uncared-for*, disregarded, neglected; *uncarpeted*; *uncastled*; *uncatalogued*; *uncaused*, not caused, not created, self-existent; *uncatered*; *unceasing* (-ly); *unceremonious* (-ly, -ness), informal, familiar, abrupt in manner, wanting in courtesy; *uncertain* (-ly, -ly), not certainly knowing or known (*am ~ which he means*, ~ *of his meaning*, *is of ~ age*, *the result is ~*), not to be depended on (*is ~ in his aim*), changeable (~ *temper*, *weather*); *uncertificated*; *unchallenged*; *unchancy* (chiefly Sc.), unlucky, unseasonable; *unchangeable* (-bly, -ness); *uncharitable* (-bly, -ness), censorious, severe in judgement; *unchartered*; *unchary*; *unchaste* (-ly, -tily); *unchastened*; *unchivalrous*; *unchristian* (-ly, -ness), not Christian, contrary to the Christian character; *uncircumcised*, (fig.) heathen, unregenerate; *uncircumstantial*, not going into details; *uncivil* (-ly), ill-mannered, rude; *uncivilized*; *unclad*; *unclaimed*; *unclean* (-ness), not clean, foul, unchaste, ceremonially impure (in Jewish law); *unclerical*; *unclothed*; *uncloaked* (esp. of happiness etc., cf. *cloudless*); *uncoloured*; *uncoloured*, not coloured, (fig.) not exaggerated or heightened in description (~ *account* etc.); *uncombed*; *uncomest-able* (-kannät-), colloq., not accessible or attainable; *uncomely* (-iness); *uncomfortable* (-bly); *uncommercial*, not commercial, contrary to commercial principles; *uncommitted*; *uncommon* (-ly, -ness) a. & colloq. adv., not common, unusual, remarkable, (adv.) remarkably (as ~ *fine girl*); *uncommunicative* (-ly, -ness), reserved, taciturn; *uncompanionable*; *uncomplaining* (-ly, -ness); *uncomplaisant* (-ly); *uncomplicated*; *uncomplimentary*; *uncompromised*; *uncompromising* (-ly), not admitting of compromise, decided, inflexible, unyielding; *unconcerned* (-dly), not concerned (*in, with*), easy in mind, free from anxiety or agitation; *uncondemned*; *uncondensed*; *unconditional* (-ity, -ness, -ly), not subject to conditions, absolute, (~ *surrender*, *refusal*); *unconditioned*, not subject to conditions (*the U-*, *Philos.*, that which is not subject to the conditions of finite existence; ~ *reflex*, *Psych.*, instinctive or inborn response to

a stimulus); *unconfirmed* (esp. of rumour etc.); *unconformable* (-bly, -ness); *uncongenial* (-ly); *unconnected*; *unconquerable* (-bly); *unconquered*; *unconscientious* (-ly, -ness); *unconscionable* (-bly, -ness), wholly unreasonable, not guided or restrained by conscience, (Law) ~ *bargain*, contract too grossly unfair to be enforced, (prob. f. *conscion*, formed as sing. of conscience taken as pl.); *unconscious* (-ly, -ness), not conscious, as *was ~ of any change*, *lay ~ for some hours*, ~ *CELEBRATION*, the ~ (as n.; see *PSYCHO-analysis*); *unconsecrated*; *unconsidered*, disregarded; *unconstitutional* (-ity, -ly), (of measures, acts, etc.) opposed to a country's constitution; *unconstrained* (-dly); *unconsumed*; *uncontaminable*; *uncontaminated*; *uncontempered*, not expected; *uncontracted*; *uncontradicted*; *uncontrollable* (-bly, -ness); *uncontrolled* (-dly); *uncontroversial* (-ly); *uncontroverted*; *unconventional* (-ity, -ly), not bound by convention or custom, free in character or action or treatment; *unconversable*; *unconversant*; *unconverted*; *unconvinced*; *uncooked*; *uncorroborated*; *uncorroded*; *uncorrupted*; *uncountenanced*; *uncoupled*; *uncourly*; *uncoveranted*, not promised by or based on a covenant (~ *mercies* of God), not enjoying a covenant (~ *civil service* in India); *uncovered*; *uncoveted*; *uncreated*, not yet created, (also arch. *uncreate*?) existing without being created; *uncritical* (-ly), disinclined or incompetent to criticize, not according to principles of criticism; *uncrossed*, not crossed (|| ~ *cheque* etc.), not thwarted; *uncrowned* (~ *king*, not yet crowned, also, having power but not name of king); *unculled*; *uncultivable*; *uncultivated*; *uncultured*; *uncurbed*; *uncurtailed*; *uncushioned*; *uncustomed*, not liable to duty, having paid no duty; *uncut*, not cut, esp. (of book) with full untrimmed margins; *undamaged*; *undated*, not dated; *undaunted* (-ly, -ness), not daunted, fearless; *undebauched*; *undebauched*; *undecieved*; *undecided* (-ly), not settled (*point is still ~*), irresolute (*he stood ~*); *undecipherable*; *undefended*, (esp., of suit) in which no defences put in; *undefiled*; *undefined*; *undelivered*; *undemonstrated*; *undemonstrative*, not given to showing strong feelings, reserved; *undeniable* (-bly), that cannot be denied or disputed, decidedly good; *undenominational* (~ *education*); *undenounced*; *undependable*; *undeplored*; *undeposited*; *undeprecated*; *undepreciated*; *undepressed*; *undescried*; *undeserved* (-dly); *undeserving*; *undesigned*; *undesigned* (-dly), not designed, esp. not intended; *undesirable* (-bly, -bleness, -bly) a. & n., not desirable, unpleasant, inconvenient, (n.) ~ *person*; *undesired*, not desired or solicited; *undesirous*; *undetachable*; *undetached*; *undetermined*, not settled, irresolute; *undeterred*; *undeveloped*; *undeviating* (-ly);

undevout (-ly); *undifferentiated*; *undiffused*; *undigested* (esp. fig., of ill-arranged facts etc.); *undignified*, lacking or inconsistent with dignity; *undiluted*; *undiminished*; *undimmed*; *undiplomatic*; *undirected*; *undiscovered*; *undiscerning* (-ly); *undischarged*; *undisciplined*; *undisclosed*; *undiscomfited*; *undisconcerted*; *undiscoverable* (-bly); *undiscovered*; *undiscriminating* (-ly); *undiscussed*; *undisguised* (-edly), not veiled, open, (~ reluctance etc.); *undismayed*; *undispelled*; *undispersed*; *undisplayed*; *undisputed*; *undissected*; *undissembled*; *undissolved*; *undistinguishable* (-bly, -ness); *undistinguished*; *undistracted*; *undistressed*; *undistributed* (~ middle, fallacy resulting from failure to DISTRIBUTE middle term); *undisturbed* (-edly); *undiversified*; *undiverted*; *undivided*; *undivorced*; *undivulged*; *undomesticated*; *undone*¹, not done; *undoubted*; *undoubtedly* adv., without doubt (implying certainty on speaker's part, cf. DOUBTLESS); *undoubting* (-ly); *undraped*; *undreamed-of*, -*nt*-of; *undressed*²; *undrilled*; *undrinkable*; *undue* (-duly), excessive, disproportionate, (spoke with ~ warmth), improper (~ influence, by which person, e.g. testator, is induced to do what he would not of his own free will), (of bill etc.) not yet due; *undurable* (-bly); *undutiful* (-ly, -ness); *undying* (-ly), immortal (~ fame etc.);

unearned, not earned (~ increment, increased value of land due to external causes e.g. increased population, not to owner's labour or outlay); *unearthly* (-iness), not earthly, supernatural, ghostly, weird, (~ cry, pallor), (colloq.) absurdly early (why call me at this ~ hour?); *uneasy* (-ly, -iness), disturbed or uncomfortable in body or mind (you seem ~, passed an ~ night), disturbing (had an ~ suspicion); *uneatable*; *uneaten*; *unecclesiastical*; *unscripted*; *uneconomic*, (esp., of rent) too low to repay owner & builder; *uneconomical*; *unedified*; *unedifying*, (esp.) tending to suggest evil or offend moral delicacy; *unedited*; *uneducated*; *unaffaced*; *unaffected*; *unrelated*; *unselected*; *unseparated*; *unemancipated*; *unembarrassed*; *unemotional* (-ly); *unemphatic* (-ally); *unemployable* a. & n., (person) unfitted by character, by age, or otherwise, for paid employment; *unemployed*, not used, lacking employment, out of work & wages (~ capital, energies, the ~); *unempowered*; *unenclosed*; *unencumbered* (~ estate, having no liabilities on it); *unendangered*; *unending* (-ly, -ness), having no end; *unendorsed*; *unendowed*; *unenforceable* (-bly); *unenforced*; *unenfranchised*; *unengaged*; *un-English*, not characteristic of the English; *unenjoyable*; *unenlightened*; *unenrolled*; *unenraved*; *unenterprising* (-ly, -ness); *unenterprising* (-ness); *unenthusiastic*; *unenvied*;

unenviable (-bly); *unenvied*; *unequable*; *unequal* (-ly), not equal (to), of varying quality; *unequaled*; *unequipped*; *unequivocal* (-ly, -ness), not ambiguous, plain, unmistakable; *un erased*; *unerring* (-ly, -ness), not erring or failing or missing the mark (~ judgement, wisdom, aim); *unescapable*; *unespied*; *unesseyed*; *unessential* a. & n., not essential, not of the first importance, (n.) ~ part or t established; *unestimated*; *evangelical*; *un evaporated*; -ness, not level or smooth, not 1 or equable (makes ~ progress, temper), (of number, rare) odd; 1 (-ly); *unexamined*; *unexampled*, precedent; *unexcelled*; *unexcepted* (-bly, -ness), with which no fault found; *unexcised*, not subject else; *unexclusive* (-ly); *unexecuted*; *emplified*; *unexercised*; *unexhausted*; *unexpected* (-ly, -ness); *unexpensive*; *unexpiated*; *unexpired*, (of lease etc.) still running; *unexplained*; *unexplored*; *unexposed*; *unexpounded*; *unexpressed*; *unexpurgated*; *unextended*, not extended, occupying no space, dimensionless; *unfading*, that cannot fade; *unfading* (-ly, -ness); *unfailing* (-ly, -ness), not failing, not running short (~ supply), not disappointing one's expectations etc. (~ resource, supporter, etc.); *unfair* (-ly, -ness), not equitable or honest or impartial (an ~ advantage, got by ~ means, ~ play); *unfaithful* (-ly, -ness), (esp.) not faithful in wedlock; *unfaltering* (-ly); *unfamiliar* (-ly, -ly); *unfashionable* (-bly, -ness); *unfashioned*, not brought into shape; *unfastened*¹; *unfathered*, (poet.) fatherless, (fig.) not acknowledged by its author (~ theory etc.); *unfatherly*; *unfathomable* (-bly); *unfathomed*; *unfavourable* (-bly, -ness); *unfeasible*; *unfed*; *unfeed*, not FEED²; *unfeeling* (-ly, -ness), lacking sensibility, harsh, cruel; *unfegned* (-edly); *unfelt*, not FELT²; *unfeminine*; *unfermented*; *unfertilized*; *unfettered*¹; *unfigured*, not marked with figures (~ Muslim, vase); *unfilial* (-ly); *unfilled*; *unfilled*; *unfinished*; *unfit* (-ly, -ness), not fit (to do, for purpose, for a doctor etc., to be one); *unfitted*, not fit, not fitted, not furnished with fittings; *unfitting* (-ly); *unfitted*²; *unflagging*; *unflattering* (-ly); *unflavoured*; *unfledged*, not yet fledged or (fig., of person etc.) developed; *unfleshed*; *unfinching* (-ly); *unforgable*; *unforged*; *unforgettable*; *unforgivable*; *unforgiven*; *unforgiving* (-ly, -ness); *unforgotten*; *unformed*, not formed, shapeless; *unformulated*; *unfortified*; *unfortunate* (-ly) a. & n., the reverse of fortunate, unlucky, unhappy, (n.) ~ person; *unfounded*, without foundation (~ rumour, hopes), not yet founded; *unfrequented*; *unfriendly*, lacking friends; *unfriendly* (-iness); *unfruitful* (-ly, -ness); *unfulfilled*; *unfunded*, (of debt)

(of person or act) without provocation; *unprovoked*; *unpublished*, not made public, (of MS. etc.) not published; *unpunctual* (-ly, -ly); *unpunctured*; *unpunishable*; *unpunished*; *unpurified*;

unquailing (-ly); *unqualified* (-ly), not competent, not legally or officially qualified, not modified, (*one ~ to serve, an ~ practitioner, gave his ~ assent*); *unquarried*; *unquelled*; *unquenchable* (-ly); *unquenched*; *unquestionable* (-ly, -ness), that cannot be questioned or doubted; *unquestioned*, not disputed or doubted, not interrogated; *unquestioning* (-ly), asking no questions (~ obedience etc., yielded without questions asked); *unquiet*, restless, agitated, (~ *spirit, times*); *unquelled*; *unquotable* (as *unprintable*); *unquoted*;

unransomed; *unrazored*, unshaven; *unreachable*; *unread*, (of book etc.) not read, (of person) not well-read; *unreadable* (-ness); *unready*, not ready, not prompt in action; *unreal* (-ily, -ly), illusive, sham, visionary; *unreliable*; *unrealized*; *unreaped*; *unreasonable* (-ly, -ness), not reasonable, exceeding the bounds of reason (~ *demands, conduct, etc.*), not guided by or listening to reason; *unreasoned*, not rationally thought out; *unreasoning* (-ly), not using or guided by reason; *unrebuked*; *unrecalable*; *unrecalled*; *unrecepted*; *unreceived*; *unreciprocated*; *unreckoned*; *unreclaimed*; *unrecognizable* (-ly); *unrecognized*; *unrecompensed*; *unreconciled*; *unrecorded*; *unrectified*; *unredeemed*, not redeemed, (of promise) not fulfilled, (of bills etc.) not recalled by payment, not taken out of pawn, (of faults etc.) not mitigated or relieved (by merits etc., or abs.); *unredressed*; *unrefined*, not refined (~ *sugar, manners*); *unreflecting* (-ly); *unreformable*; *unreformed*; *unrefuted*; *unregal*; *unregarded*; *unregenerate*; *unregistered*; *unregretted*; *unregulated*; *unrehearsed* (esp. of results that surprise their authors); *unrelated*; *unrelaxed*; *unrelenting* (-ly, -ness); *unreliable* (-billy, -bleness, -bly); *unrelieved*, (esp.) lacking the relief given by contrast or variation; *unreligious*, not concerned with religion; *unremembered*; *unremitting* (-ly), not abating, incessant, (~ *care, exertions*); *unremunerative*, not profitable; *unrenewed*; *unrenowned*; *unrepeated*; *unrepentant* (-ance); *unrepining* (-ly); *unreplenished*; *unreported*; *unrepresentative*; *unrepresented*; *unreproachable*; *unreproved*; *unrequited*, not requited or returned (~ *affection*); *unrescinded*; *unresented*; *unresenting* (-ly); *unreserved* (-edly, -ness), without reservation (~ *complaisance etc.*), open, frank, (an ~ *nature*), not reserved (~ *seals*); *unresisted*; *unresisting* (-ly); *unresolved*, not having formed a decision, not solved or cleared up (~ *doubts, problems*), not separated into

constituent parts; *unrespected*; *unresponsive* (-ness); *unrestful* (-ly, -ness); *unresting* (-ly); *unrestored*; *unrestrainable* (-ly); *unrestrained* (-edly, -ness); *unrestricted* (-ly); *unretraced*; *unretrieved*; *unretrived*; *unretrived*; *unrewarded*; *unrhetorical*; *unrhymed*; *unrhythmical*, without (satisfactory) rhythm; *unridable*; *unriden*; *unrighted*; *unrighteous* (-ly, -ness), not upright or honest or just, evil, wicked; *unripe* (-ness), not ripe (lit. & fig.); *unrisen*; *unrivalled*, having no equal, peerless; *unromantic* (-ally); *unroofed*; *unroyal* (-ly), unlike or unworthy of a king; *unruffled*; *unruled*, not governed, not ruled with lines; *unruly* (-iness), lawless, refractory, (f. rare *ruly* (RULE, -Y²)); *unsafe* (-ly, -ness), dangerous; *unsaid²*; *unsaidly*; *unsalable* (-bility, -bleness); *unsaluted*; *unsalted*; *unsanctified*; *unsanctioned*; *unsanitary*, unhealthy; *unsated*; *unsatisfactory* (-ly, -iness); *unsatisfied*; *unsatisfying* (-ly); *unsaved*, not saved (esp. in religious sense); *unsavory* (-ily, -iness), uninviting, disgusting, (as ~ *dish, smell, theme*); *unsayable*; *unsclimable*, that cannot be climbed; *unscannable*, that cannot be scanned (~ *verses*); *unscarred*; *unscarred*, without injury suffered; *unscanned*; *unscheduled*; *unscholarly*; *unshooled*; *unscientific* (-ally), (esp.) transgressing scientific principles; *unsecured*; *unscoured*; *unscreened* (esp. of coal); *unscriptural* (-ly), not in accordance with Scripture; *unscrupulous* (-ly, -ness), having no scruples, shameless, unprincipled; *unsculptured*, not covered with sculpture, (Zool.) smooth; *unsealed*; *unsearchable*, beyond the reach of search; *unsearched*; *unseasonable* (-bly, -ness); *unseasoned*; *unseated²*, not provided or furnished with seat(s); *unseaworthy* (-iness); *unseconded*; *unsectarian* (-ism), free from sectarian limitations; *unsecured*; *unseduced*; *unseductive*; *unseeing*, blind, unobservant; *unseemly* (-iness) a. & (arch.) adv.; *unseen* a. & a., not seen (the ~, the world of spirits), ~ (translation), translation of unprepared passages as school exercise; *unseizable*; *unseel*, promiscuous, mixed; *unselected*; *unselfish* (-ly, -ness), regardful of others' interests rather than of one's own; *unseasonal* (-ly); *unsent*; *unsentenced*; *unsentimental*; *unseparated*; *unserviceable* (-bly, -ness); *unset*, not set (sun, gun, trap, broken leg, is ~); *unsettled²*, not settled, liable to change, open to further discussion, not paid, having no fixed abode, (of lands) not occupied by permanent inhabitants, (his mind is still ~, ~ *weather*; the point, the bill, is ~); *unshowered*; *unshackled*; *unshaded*; *unshaded*; *unshaken*, not shaken esp. in resolution; *unshapely*; *unsharpened*; *unshaven*; *unshed*; *unsheltered*; *unshipped²*;

unshocked; **unshod**; **unshorn**, not shorn or shaven; **unshout**; **unshrinkable**, that will not shrink (~ *flannel*); **unshrinking** (-ly), unhesitating, fearless, firm; **unshrunk**; **unshut**; **unshuttered**; **unshufled**; **unshighted**, not alighted (*ship is still ~*), not furnished with sights (~ *gun*), precluded from seeing (*the empire was ~ when Jones was caught*); **unsignally** (-iness), repulsive to the sight, ugly; **unsigned**; **unsinged**; **unsisterly** (-iness); **unsized**, not stiffened with size; **unskilful** (-ly, -ness); **unskilled**, not possessing or requiring skill or special training (~ *labour*, simple forms of manual labour); **unslaked**; **unsleeping**; **unslumbering**, (fig.) watchful; **unsmoked**; **unsociable** (-bly, -bleness, -bly); **unsocial**; **unsoiled**; **unsolaced**; **unsold**; **unsoldierly**; **unsolicited** (esp. ~ *testimonial*); **unsolicitous**; **unsolid** (-ity); **unsolvable**; **unsolved**; **unsoothed**; **unsophistical**; **unsophisticated** (-ness), artless, innocent, simple, not adulterated, not artificial; **unsorted**; **unsought**; **unsound** (-ness), not sound, diseased, morbid, rotten, ill-founded, erroneous, fallacious, unreliable, (~ *lungs*, *fruit*, *doctrine*, *policy*, *argument*; of ~ *mind*, *insane*); **unsounded**, unfathomed; **unsoured**; **unsown**; **unsparing** (-ly, -ness), profuse, lavish, (~ *praise*, ~ *of* or *in* *praise*, ~ *in his efforts*), merelless; **unspeakable** (-bly, -ness), that words cannot express, good, bad, etc., beyond description (~ *joys*, *an ~ bore*); **unspecified**; **unspeculative**; **unspent**; **unspilt**; **unspirital** (-ity, -ly); **unspiced**; **unspoiled**, -ly; **unspoken**; **unspontaneous**, forced, artificial; **unsportsmanlike** (colloq. also *unsporting*); **unspotted**, not spotted or (fig.) contaminated; **unsprung**, (of vehicles, furniture, etc.) not provided with springs; **unsquared**; **unstable**; **unstaid**; **unstained**, not stained (esp. fig.); **unstamped**, without stamp (~ *deed*, *letter*); **unstarched**; **unstartled**; **unstated**; **unstatesmanlike**; **unstatutable** (-bly), not warranted by statute; **unsteady** (-ly, -ness); **unsteady** (-ly, -iness), not steady or firm, shaking, reeling, changeable, fluctuating, of irregular habits, (*an ~ hand*, *walked with ~ steps*, *ladder is ~*, *was ~ in his adherence*, ~ *winds*, *is notoriously ~*, dissipated); **unstigmatized**; **unstimulated**; **unstinted**; **unstoried**; **unstocked**, not stocked (*with*, or *aba*); **unstopped**; **unstored**; **unstrained**, not forced, not subjected to strain, not put through a strainer; **unstraitfied**; **unstressed**, not pronounced with stress; **unstudied**, easy, natural, spontaneous, (~ *ease*, *eloquence*); **unstuffed**; **unswing**; **unsubdued**; **unsubjugated**; **unsubmissive** (-ly, -ness); **unsubscribed**; **unsubstantial** (-bly, -ly), having little or no solidity or reality (~ *air*, *visions*, *forms*, *an ~ building*); **unsubstantiated**, not confirmed or established (~ *rumours*); **unsuccessful** (-ly); **unsuited**; **unsuggestive**; **unsubtle** (-bly,

-bly); **unsuited**, unfit (for purpose), not adapted (to); **unsullied**; **unsummed**; **unsummoned**; **unsung**, not sung or (poet.) sung of; **unsunned**, not lighted by sun; **unsupply**; **unsupplied**; **unsupportable** (-bly, -ness); **unsupported**; **unsuppressed**; **unsure**; **unsurgical**; **unsurmised**; **unsurmounted**; **unsurpassable** (-bly); **unsurpassed**; **unsurrendered**; **unsureeyed**; **unsusceptible**; **unsuspected** (-ly); **unsuspicious** (-ly, -ness); **unsustainable**; **unsustained**; **unswallowed**; **unswayed**, not controlled or influenced; **unswetened**; **unswept**; **unswerving** (-ly); **unsworn**, not sworn (~ *oath*, *witness*); **unsymbolical**; **unsymmetrical** (-ly), falling in or not characterized by symmetry; **unsympathetic** (-ally); **unsympathizing** (-ly); **untainted**; **untalented**; **untamable** (-ness); **untamed**; **untanned**; **untarnishable**; **untarnished**; **untasked**; **untasted**; **untaught**, (of person etc. or subject etc.) not taught, ignorant; **untaxed**; **unteachable** (-ness); **untearable**; **untechnical**; **untempered**, not tempered (~ *mortar*, *steel*, *severity*); **untempted**; **untenable** (-bly, -bleness); **untenantable**, not fit to be occupied; **untenanted**; **untended**; **untendered**, not offered; **unterrified**; **untested**; **untethered**; **unthanked**; **unthankful** (-ly, -ness); **unthatched**; **unthinkable**, that cannot be conceived in thought, (colloq.) unlikely; **unthinking** (-ly), thoughtless; **unthought**, not thought, esp. ~ *of*; **unthoughtful** (-ness); **unthrashed**; **unthready**; **unthreaded**; **unthreshed**; **unthrifty**; **unthwarted**; **untidy** (-ly, -iness); **untied**; **untiled**; **untillable**; **untilled**; **untimbered**; **untimely** (-iness) a. & adv.; || **untim(e)ous** (Sc.), untimely; **untinctured**; **untinged**; **untired**; **untiring** (-ly); **untitled**, not subject to titles; **untitled**; **untold**, not told, not counted, beyond count (~ *gold*); **untormented**; **untorn**; **untortured**; **untouchable**, that may not be touched, (n.) a non-caste Hindu (whom a caste man may not touch); **untouched**; **untoward** (arch.), perverse, refractory, awkward, unlucky, (*an ~ generation*, *accident*); **untraceable**; **untraced**; **untracked**, not followed by means of or marked with tracks; **untragic**, not tragic or suited to tragedy; **untrained**, not trained or practised or instructed, not prepared by exercise, diet, etc., for race etc.; **untramelled**; **untransferable**, that cannot or must not be transferred; **untranslatable** (-bly, -bleness, -bly); **untransmutable**; **untransportable**; **untravelling**, that has not travelled; **untravelled**; **untrialed**, (esp.) inexperienced; **untrimmed**; **untroubled**; **untroubled**, not troubled, calm; **untrue** (-ly), not true, contrary to the fact, false, not faithful or loyal (to person, principle, etc.), deviating from correct standard; **untruised** (~ *fool* etc.); **untrustworthy** (-ness); **untruthful** (-ly, -ness);

untuned; **untruthful** (-ly); **unturmed**, not turned (leave no STONE ~); **untutored**, not taught or schooled;

unused; **unusual** (-ly rare, -ness, -ly), not usual, remarkable; **unutilized**; **unutterable** (-bly), above or beyond description (~ torment, joy, etc., an ~ fool); **unuttered**; **unvaccinated**; **unvalued**, not esteemed or prized, not estimated or priced; **unvarnished**; **unvaried**; **unvarnished**, not varnished or embellished (~ surface, the ~ truth); **unvarying** (-ly); **unvenerable**; **unvenerated**; **unvenomous**; **unventilated**; **unveracious**; **unverifiable**; **unversed**; **unversed**, not versed or skilled (in); **unvexed**; **unvictualled**; **unvindicating**; **unviolated**; **unvisited**; **unvoiced**; **unvoiced**, not spoken or uttered, (Phone.) not voiced; **unvouched**, not vouched (usu. -for);

unwak(en)ed; **unwanted**; **unwarlike**; **unwarmed**; **unwarmed**; **unwarped**; **unwarrantable** (-bly, -ness), indefensible, unjustifiable, improper; **unwarranted**, unauthorized, not guaranteed; **unvary** (-ily, -iness); **unwashed**, not washed (the great ~, the rabble); **unwatched**; **unwatchful** (-ness); **unwatered**, not watered or diluted or supplied with water (~ milk, horse, capital); **unweaving** (-ly); **unweaned**; **unwearable**; **unwearied**; **unweary**; **unwearying** (-ly), not growing weary, persistent, (~ efforts etc.); **unwedded**; **unwedded**; **unweighed**; **unwelcome**; **unwelcomed**; **unwell**, not in good health, indisposed, menstruating; **unwept** (rhet., poet.), not wept for; **unwetted**; **unwhipped**; **unwhitened**; **unwhitewashed**; **unwholesome** (-ly, -ness); **unwisely**; **unwilling** (-ly, -ness), not willing or inclined (to do, for thing, for thing to be done, that, or abs.); **unwinged**; **unwinking**, not winking, vigilant; **unwise** (-ly), foolish, imprudent; **unwished**, not wished (usu. -for); **unwithdrawn**; **unwithered**; **unwithering**; **unwitnessed**; **unwitting** (-ly), not consciously or intentionally (see WIT¹); **unwomanly**; **unwon**; **unwounded**; **unwooded**; **unwooded**; **unworkable**; **unworkmanlike**; **unworldly** (-iness), not worldly, spiritual, (~ minded etc.); **unworn**, that has not been worn or impaired by wear; **unworshipped**; **unworthy** (-ily, -iness), not worthy or befitting the character (of), discreditable, unseemly; **unwound²**; **unwounded**; **unwoven**; **unwreaked**; **unwrinkled**; **unwritable**; **unwritten**, not written (~ law, resting originally on custom or judicial decision, not on written statutes etc., also, assumption that homicide in defence of personal honour etc. is justifiable); **unwrought**; **unwronging**, not wrong (WRONG ~); **unyielding** (-ly, -ness), firm, obstinate; **unyoked**; **unyoungful**; **unzealous**.

²: Nouns are nouns formed either directly on a simple noun (unbelief, unfriend,

unrepair) or by back formation or otherwise on corresp. adj. Exx.: **unbelief**¹, incredulity, disbelief esp. in divine revelation or in a particular religion, so **unbeliever**; **unchastity**; **unconformity**, not being circumcised, (N.T.) the ~, the Gentiles; **unconcern**, freedom from anxiety, indifference, apathy; **unconstraint**, freedom from constraint; **undress**², ordinary dress opp. to full dress or uniform, loose negligent dress, (often fig. & attrib.); **unease** (arch.), uneasiness, distress, discomfort; **unemployment**, lack of employment, state of things in which many workers cannot find work or wages (~ benefit, payment made to unemployed worker under an insurance act, or by a trade union); **unfaith** (rare), want of faith; **unfriend** (arch.), enemy; **unprejudice**, freedom from prejudice; **unreason**, lack of reason, nonsense, folly (ARBOT of U~); **unrepair**, dilapidation, want of repair; **unreserve**, absence of reserve, frankness; **unrest**, lack of rest, disturbed or agitated condition of person or nation (the ~ in Turkey); **unrestraint**; **unright** (arch.), wrong, injustice; **unsuccess**, want of success, failure; **unsuspicion** (rare); **unsymmetry**, absence or violation of symmetry; **unthrif** (arch.), prodigality; **untruth**, being untrue, falsehood, lie, (the manifest ~ of this statement, told me an ~); **unwisdom**, lack of wisdom, folly, imprudence. [OE & G, cf. Du. on-, cogn. w. L IN-² & ne, Gk a(n)-, nē-]

|| ūn'a, n. Small catboat-rigged sailing yacht. [name of first boat of the kind seen in England]

unadopted, see UN-⁽¹⁾; **unanchor**, UN-¹ (1).

ūnān'imous, a. All of one mind, agreeing in opinion, as we were, the meeting was. ~ (for reform, as to the policy to be pursued, in protesting, etc.); (of opinion, vote, etc.) formed, held, given, with one accord. Hence or cogn. ūnān'im'ity, ~ness, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L unānimus, -mis, (unus one + animus mind) + -OUS]

unapparel, unarm, unarmed¹, see UN-¹ (2); **unattire**, UN-⁽¹⁾.

ūn'au (-aw), n. Brazilian two-toed sloth. [Braz.]

unbag, see UN-⁽³⁾; **unbalance**, UN-⁽¹⁾; **unballast**, UN-⁽²⁾; **unbank**, unbar, unbear, UN-⁽¹⁾; **unbed**, UN-⁽³⁾; **unbeknown(st)**, UN-⁽¹⁾; **unbelief**, **unbeliever**, UN-⁽²⁾; **unbelt**, UN-⁽²⁾; **unbend**, **unbending**¹, UN-⁽¹⁾.

unberu'fen (ōnberōō-), a. Unsummoned. (In E use as deprecating Nemesis after boastful remark etc.). {G}

unbecom, unbias, unbind, see UN-⁽¹⁾; **unblock**, UN-⁽³⁾; **unbitt**, UN-⁽³⁾; **unblock**, **unbelt**, UN-⁽³⁾

unbese, UN-¹(2); **unbonnet**, UN-¹(1); **unboot**, UN-²(2); **unbosom**, UN-¹(1); **unbowel**, UN-¹(2); **unbox**, UN-¹(3); **unbrace**, **unbraid**, **unbreech**, **unbridle**, **unbuckle**, **unburden**, **unbutton**, UN-¹(1); **uncage**, UN-¹(3); **uncanny**, UN-¹(1); **uncap**, UN-¹(2); **uncart**, **uncase**, UN-¹(3).

uncate. See **UNCINATE**.

unchain, see UN-¹(1); **unchastity**, UN-²(2); **unchristianize**, UN-¹(1); **unchurch**, UN-¹(3).

ün'cia (-shiz), n. (Rom. ant.; pl. -ae). Twelfth part, esp. (as coin or amount) of the as; ounce; inch. [L]

ün'cial (-shl), a. & n. 1. Of, written in, a kind of majuscule writing found in MSS. of 4th to 8th c. with characters partly resembling modern capitals. 2. n. ~ letter or MS. [f. L *uncialis* (prec., see -AL), in sense *inch-high, large*]

ün'cin'ate, a. (Also **ün'c'ate**) hooked, crooked. So **ün'ciferous**, **ün'ciform**. ~AL, aa. [f. L *uncinatus* (*uncinus* hook f. L *uncus* hook, see -ARE²)]

uncircumcision, see UN-²(2); **unclasp**, UN-¹(1).

uncle (üng'kl), n. Father's or mother's brother; aunt's husband; * (as familiar mode of address) *U~ Tom's Cabin* etc., *U~ Sam*, government or typical citizen of U.S.; (sl.) pawnbroker; (colloq., often w. name added, as voc. or not) elderly friendly person, e.g. B.B.C. announcer; *talk to (person) like a Dutch ~* (with kindly severity). Hence ~SHIP n. [AF, f. L *avunculus* maternal uncle (*avus* grandfather, see foll.)]

-uncle, suf. in nn. of L orig. or on L anal. repr. L *-unculus*, -la, a special form of -culus -CULE prob. due to use of -culus w. stems in -on-, as *sermunculus* (sermon-), *carbunculus* (carbon-), *oraticuncula*, etc., and its extension to other stems (*avunculus*, st. *avo-*, *furunculus*, st. *fur-*). E has also -uncule (*homuncule*), & L -culus is sometimes kept (*ranunculus*).

unciench, -inch, see UN-¹(1); **uncloak**, UN-¹(2); **unclog**, UN-¹(1); **uncloister**, UN-¹(3); **unclose**, **unclothe**, UN-¹(1).

|| **ün'cō**, a., n. (pl. ~s), & adv. (Snc.). 1. Strange, unusual; notable. 2. n. Stranger; (pl.) news. 3. adv. Remarkably, very; *the ~ guid*, rigidly religious people (usu. derog.). (dial. var. of **UNCOUTH**)

uncock, **uncoil**, see UN-¹(1); **unconcern**, UN-¹(2); **unconditioned**, **unconscionable**, UN-¹(1); **unconstrained**, UN-¹(2); **uncoop**, UN-¹(3); **uncord**, **uncork**, **uncouple**, UN-¹(1).

uncouth (-cō-), a. (Obs. or arch.) not known of, unfamiliar, unusual; (of places; now literary) unfrequented, desolate, wild, (of life) unrefined, comfortless; (of persons, looks, conduct, etc.) strange,

awkward, clumsy, uncultured, (of language) harsh, rugged, pedantic. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [OE *uncūth* unknown (UN-¹ + *cūth* p.p. of *cunnan* know, CAN²)]

uncover, see UN-¹(1); **uncowl**, UN-¹(2); **uncreate**, **uncross**, UN-¹(1); **uncrown**, UN-¹(2).

ün'ction, n. Anointing with oil or unguent for medical purposes or as religious rite or ceremonial (EXTREME ~); thing used in anointing, unguent, (fig.) s or flattering words or thought of circumstance (see FLATTER); fervent or sympathetic quality in words or tone caused by or causing deep religious or other emotion; simulation of this, affected enthusiasm, gush; excessive shavily; keen or lingering enjoyment in narration, gusto, (*told the story with much ~*) [f. L *unctionem* (*ungere* *unct-* anoint, see -ION)]

ünctious, a. Full of (esp. simulated) unction; greasy, esp. (of minerals) having a soapy feel when touched. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. med. L *unctuosus* f. L *unctus* -ūs anointing (as prec.), see -OUS]

uncurb, **uncurl**, see UN-¹(1). **ün'dé** (-ä), **ün'dee**, a. (her.). Wavy. [f. F *ondé* (L *unda* wave, -ATE²)]

undecive, **undecided¹**, **undeify**, see UN-¹(1).

ün'der, prep., adv., & a. 1. In or to a position lower than, below, as *it lay, fell, ~ the table, assembled ~* (at the foot of) *the castle wall, struck him ~ the left eye, nothing new ~ the sun* (anywhere), ~ *foot¹*, ~ *hatch¹es*, ~ *one's nose*, ~ (in & covered by) *water*, ~ *one's wing*. 2. Within, on the inside of, (surface etc.), as *inserted a knife-blade ~ the bark, was seen to blush ~ his dusky skin, with a good meal ~ his belt* (in his stomach), ~ *the LEE* of. 3. Inferior to, less than, as *no one ~ a bishop, incomes ~ £100, cannot be done ~* (at less cost than) *£5, total falls ~ what was expected, speak ~ one's breath* (in a whisper). 4. In the position or act of supporting or sustaining, subjected to, undergoing, liable to, on condition of, subject to, governed or controlled or bound by, in accordance with, in the form of, in the time of, as *sank ~ the load* (lit. & fig.), ~ a *CLOUD, groaning ~ tyranny, is now ~ repair, ~ examination, a few acres ~* (planted with) *corn, ~ HIRE¹*, ~ (propelled by) *sail*, ~ *WAY*, ~ *ARM²s, forbidden ~ pain of death, a criminal ~ sentence of* (condemned to) *death, have sat ~* (attended sermons of) *famous preachers, country prospered ~ him or his rule, might succeed ~ other conditions, is ~ a delusion, was ~ the impression, ~ the circumstances, ~ the rose*, ~ *SUB¹ rose*, ~ *FAVOUR¹*, ~ (attested by) *one's hand & seal, was ~ a man, known ~ an assumed name, ap-*

pears ~ various forms, ~ pretence of ignorance, lived ~ the Stuarts. 5. adv. In or to a lower place or subordinate condition, as *KNING, KEEP¹, KNOCK¹, KNOCKLE, GO¹, ~, a cloth should be spread ~ (usu. ~neath, beneath).* 6. adj. Lower (now largely merged in foll.), as *the ~ jaw, ~ layers, ~ servants; ~ dog (sl.), dog, person, who has the worst of an encounter.* Hence ~MOST¹ a. [com.-Tent.: OE *under* (adv. & prep.), cf. Du. *onder*, G *unter*, ON *undir*, cogn. w. L *infra* below]

under-, pref. = prec. prep. or adv. or adj.

1. As prep. governing the noun to which it is prefixed, w. sense 'below', *under-* forms a few advv. & adj., as: *un'derarm* a., (Cricket) = UNDERHAND, (Lawn Tennis, of service or stroke) made by swinging racket below shoulder-level; *~cover* a., surreptitious (*~cover agent*, one trying to secure evidence of illegal activities by associating with the suspected wrong-doers); *~foot* adv., under one's feet; UNDERGROUND; UNDERHAND; *un'derproof* a., with less alcohol than proof spirit.

2. *Under-* is prefixed to vbs & their derivatives w. adv. or prep. force in sense 'beneath', 'lower than', 'below', as: *~bid* v.t., make lower bid than (person), (Bridge) bid less on (a hand) than its strength warrants; *~cut*¹ v.t., cut away material of (design etc. in carving) so as to make it stand out in relief, (Golf) hit (ball) so that it rises high & does not roll far on alighting, (Commerce.) offer lower terms than (competitor); *~drain*¹ v.t., drain (ground) by forming channels beneath it; *~lay* v.t. & i., lay something under (thing), esp. (Print.) lay paper under (types) to raise them, (Mining, Intr.) incline from the vertical; *un'derlay* n., paper laid under types, waterproof paper, sheet, etc., for laying under carpet or mattress, (Mining) = inclined lode or shaft; *~let*¹ v.t., let below true value, sublet; *~line*¹ v.t., draw line under (word) to secure emphasis or to indicate italics; *~mentioned* a.; *~pin* v.t., place support of masonry etc. under (wall, overhanging bank, etc.); *~play* v.i. (Cards), play low card while retaining high one of same suit; *un'derplay* n., *~playing*; *~prop* v.t., put prop under; *~quote* v.t., quote lower prices than (person), quote lower prices than others for (goods etc.); *~run* v.t. & i., run or pass under, (Naut.) overhaul or examine (a cable etc.) by lifting it on board and passing it along by hand; *~score* v.t., *~line*¹; *~sell*¹ v.t., sell cheaper than (person); *un'derseller* n.; *~set*¹ v.t., support (masonry etc.) by prop; *un'dershot* a., (of wheel) worked by water passing under it, = UNDERSHOT; *~signed* a., I, we, the *~signed*, (whose signatures appear below); *~trump* v.t., play lower trump than (person, trump played).

3. *Under-* in sense 'insufficiently', 'incompletely', is prefixed to vbs (used in p.p.) & to some adj., w. their derivatives. Adj. & p.pp. tend in attrib. use (cf. UN¹, -ED¹) to take stress on first syllable (*beef was ~done¹, hats un'derdone beef; an un'der-exposed or un'der-exposed¹ negative*). Exx. *~act*¹ v.t., act (a part, or abs.) inadequately; *~bred*¹ a., ill-bred, vulgar; *~charge*¹ v.t., charge too little for (thing) or to (person), put insufficient charge into (gun etc.); *un'dercharge* n., insufficient charge; *~denel*¹ op v.t. (photog.); *~do*¹ v.t., cook insufficiently, esp. in p.p. *~done¹; ~dose¹ v.t.; ~draw*¹ v.t., deplete inadequately; *~dress*¹ v.t. & i., dress too plainly or too lightly; *~es'timate* v.t., form too low an estimate of; *~es'timate* (-at), -ation, nn.; *~expose*¹ v.t., *~exposure* n., (photog.); *~feed*¹ v.t. & i.; *~fired*¹ a., (of pottery) not baked enough; *~groom*¹ a.; *~man*¹ v.t., furnish (ship etc.) with too few men; *~mas'ted* a.; *~pay*¹ v.t., pay (workmen etc.) inadequately; *~production* n., production less than is usual or required; *~rate*¹ v.t., *~estimate*; *~reck*¹ on v.t.; *~ripe*¹ a.; *~sized*¹ a., of less than the usual size, dwarfish; *~state*¹ v.t.; *~state'ment* n.; *~stock*¹ v.t., supply (farm, shop, etc.) with insufficient stock; *~timed*¹ a. = *~exposed*; *~valuation* n.; *~val*¹ ue v.t.

4. *Under-* in adj. relation with noun replaces or is interchangeable with *under* a., in senses 'situated beneath', 'subordinate'. In the less-established compounds the hyphen is usu. retained & the stress variously placed on either component or both. Exx. *~agent* n.; *un'derbrush* n., = *~growth*; *un'der-carriage*, aircraft's landing gear; *un'derclay* n., clay bed under coal; *~clerk*(ship) n.; *un'der-cliff* n., terrace or lower cliff formed by a landslip; *un'der-clothes*, *un'der-clothing*, nn., clothes worn under others esp. next to skin; *~drain*¹ n., drain placed underground; *un'derflow* n., current flowing beneath surface; *un'dergarment* n., garment worn under others; *un'dergrowth* n., shrubs or small trees growing under larger ones; *~ling* n., inferior or subordinate king; *~lease* n., lease granted by lessee for shorter term than his own; *un'derline*¹ n., advance announcement of production of subsequent play at foot of play-bill, descriptive line(s) under an illustration; *un'derline* n., linen or (loosely) other ~garments; *un'derplot* n., subordinate plot in play or novel; *un'der-secretary*(ship) nn.; || (*Parliamentary Under-Secretary*, member of Government; *Permanent Under-Secretary*, member of Civil Service & head of a department); *~servant* n.; *un'der-sail*¹ n. (Naut.), undercurrent in contrary direction to that of wind or surface water; *~sheriff* n., sheriff's deputy; *~shirt* a.; *un'der-*

shrub n., plant like shrub but smaller; **un'dershirt** n.; **un'dersleeve** n., sleeve, esp. detached one, worn under another; **un'dersoil** n.; **un'derstrapper** n., inferior agent, underling; **~stratum** n.; **~tenant** n., tenant's tenant; **~tenancy** n.; **un'dertint** n., subdued tint; **un'dertone** n., subdued tone esp. in speaking, thin or subdued colour; **un'dertow** n., backward flow of wave breaking on beach, = **~set**; **un'derwear** n., (clothes meant for) wearing underneath; **un'derwing** n., kinds of moth with conspicuous markings etc. on under wings; **un'derwood** n., = **~growth**; **un'derworld** n., antipodes, infernal regions, lowest social stratum.

underact, see **UNDER-3**; **under-agent**, **UNDER-4**; **underarm**, **UNDER-1**; **underbid**, **UNDER-2**; **underbred**, **UNDER-3**; **underbrush**, **undercarriage**, **UNDER-4**; **undercharge**, **UNDER-3**; **underclay**, **undercliff**, **underclothes**, **underclothing**, **UNDER-4**; **undercover**, **UNDER-1**.

un'dercroft (-aw-), n. Crypt. [**UNDER**, ME *croft* f. L *crypta* CRYPT]

un'dercurrent, n. Current below the surface; (fig.) unperceived influence or feeling of different or contrary tendency; (Mining) large shallow box beside main hydraulic sluice serving to aid in saving gold. [**UNDER-4**]

undercut¹. See **UNDER-2**.

un'dercut², n. ¶ Under side of sirloin; upward blow in boxing. [**UNDER-4**]

under-develop, **underdo**, **underdose**, see **UNDER-3**; **underdrain**¹ v.t., **UNDER-2**; **underdrain**² n., **UNDER-4**; **underdraw**, **underdress**, **underestimate**, **underestimation**, **under-expose**, **under-exposure**, **underfeed**, **under-fired**, **UNDER-3**; **underflow**, **UNDER-4**; **underfoot**, **UNDER-1**; **undergarment**, **UNDER-4**.

undergå¹, v.t. Be subjected to, suffer, endure esp. with firmness, as *has undergone many trials*, *underwent a rapid change*, *an operation*. [OE **UNDER**(gân go)]

undergå² [state, n. Member of university who has not taken his first degree (often attrib.). Hence **~ateship** n., **~ette**² n. (joc.), female **~ate**. [**UNDER-4**]

underground¹, adv., a., & n. 1. Beneath surface of earth. 2. adj. (in attrib. use **tin**²). Situated **~**, **as ~ railway**; (fig.) hidden, secret, **as ~ (secret resistance) movement**. 3. n. (**tin**²). ¶ **~ railway**; **~ movement**. [**UNDER-1**]

undergrown, see **UNDER-3**; **undergrowth**, **UNDER-4**.

underhand¹, adv. & a. (in attrib. use **tin**²). clandestine(ly), secret(ly), not above-board; (Crick., of bowling) (performed) with hand underneath both elbow & ball, **as bowler ~**, **~ bowling**. [**UNDER-1, 4**]

underhäng² (in attrib. use **tin**²), a. (Of lower jaw) projecting beyond upper jaw; having **~ jaw**. [**UNDER-2**]

under-king, see **UNDER-4**; **underlay** v.t. & i., & n., **UNDER-2**; **under-lease**, **UNDER-4**; **underlet**, **UNDER-2**.

underlie¹, v.t. Lie, be situated, under (stratum etc., or abs.); (fig., of principle etc.) be the basis of (doctrine, law, conduct, etc., or abs. esp. in part.). [**UNDER-2**]

underline¹ v.t., see **UNDER-2**; **underline**², **underlines**, **UNDER-4**.

un'derling, n. Subordinate (usu. derog. [ME (-LING¹)])

underman, **undermasted**, see **UNDER-2**; **undermentioned**, **UNDER-2**.

undermine¹, v.t. Make mine or (cavitation under, wear away base or foundation of, as *~e their banks*, *~e the walls*; injure (person, reputation, influence, etc.) by secret means; injure, wear out, (health etc.) insidiously or imperceptibly. Hence **~er**¹ n. [**UNDER-2**]

underneath¹, adv., prep., a., & n. 1. At or to a lower place (than), below (not in fig. senses). 2. adj. & n. Lower (surface, part). [OE *underneodhan* (**UNDER**, cf. **BENEATH**)]

underpay, see **UNDER-3**; **underpin**, **underplay** v.i., & n., **UNDER-2**; **underplot**, **UNDER-4**; **under-production**, **UNDER-3**; **underproof**, **UNDER-1**; **underprop**, **underquote**, **UNDER-2**; **underrate**, **under-reckon**, **under-ripe**, **UNDER-3**; **underrun**, **underscore**, **UNDER-2**; **under-secretary**(ship), **UNDER-4**; **undersell**(er), **UNDER-2**; **under-servant**, **UNDER-4**; **underset**¹ v.t., **UNDER-2**; **underset**² n., **under-sheriff**, **under-shirt**, **UNDER-4**; **undershot**, **UNDER-2**; **undershrub**, **UNDER-4**; **undersigned**, **UNDER-2**; **undersized**, **UNDER-3**; **underskirt**, **undersleeve**, **undersoil**, **UNDER-4**.

understand¹, v.t. & i. (-stood; arch. p.p. -standed). 1. Comprehend, perceive the meaning of, (words, person, or language etc.), *as does not ~ what you say*, *do you ~ me?*, *French?*; *tongue not ~ed of the people*, foreign language. 2. Grasp mentally, perceive the significance or explanation or cause or nature of, know how to deal with, *as do not ~ why he came*, *what the noise is about*, *the point of his remark*; *quite ~ your difficulty*; *cannot ~ him*, *his conduct*, *his wanting to go*; *thoroughly ~s children*, *could never ~ mathematics*; (abs.) *you don't ~ (the situation etc.)*. 3. Infer esp. from information received, take as implied, take for granted, *as I ~ that doors open at 7.30*, *that they are almost destitute*, *him to be* or *that he is a distant relation*, *I quite understood that expenses were to be paid*, *no one could ~ that from my words*, *what*

For adj. in **un-** not given see **UN-(1)**.

For other words in **under-** see **UNDER-**.

did you ~ him to say (~ from his words)?; (expr. uncertainty or surprise or indignation) *do I ~ (you to say) that or am I to ~ that you refuse?*; (introducing warning or threat) *now ~ me, he gave me or I was given to ~ (I thought he said or meant) that it was done.* 4. Supply (word) mentally, as the verb may be either expressed or understood. [OE UNDER(*standan* STAND)]

understand'ing¹, a. Having insight. [-ING¹]

understand'ing², n. In vbl senses, esp.: intelligence, as *has an excellent ~, men without ~*; power of apprehension, power of abstract thought, (often opp. to reason); agreement, harmony, union of sentiments, convention, thing agreed upon, as *must come to an ~ with him, disturbed the (good) ~ between them, had a secret ~ with other firms, consented only on this ~, on the distinct ~ that*; (pl., al.) feet, legs, shoes, etc. [-ING¹]

understate(ment), **understock**, see UNDER- 3; **understrapper**, **understratum**, UNDER- 4.

un'derstúdy, n., & v.t. 1. One who studies theatrical part in order to play it at short notice in absence of the usual actor. 2. v.t. Study (part) thus, act as ~ to (actor). [UNDER- 4]

undertáke¹, v.t. & i. Bind oneself to perform, make oneself responsible for, engage in, enter upon, (work, enterprise, responsibility); accept an obligation, promise, (to do); (arch.) engage with (person) in combat, argument, etc.; guarantee, affirm, as *I will ~ that he has not heard a word, that you shall or will be no loser by it*; (arch.) be guarantee for (person, fact); (colloq.) manage funerals. [ME UNDER(*taken* TAKE)]

un'dertáker, n. In vbl senses, esp.: one who manages funerals; (Hist.) influential person who undertook to procure particular legislation esp. to obtain supplies from Commons if king would grant some concession. [-ER¹]

underták'ing, n. In vbl senses, esp.: work etc. undertaken, enterprise, as a *serious ~*; management of funerals (un²). [-ING¹]

under-tenant, **under-tenancy**, see UNDER- 4; **under-timed**, UNDER- 3; **under-tint**, **undertone**, **undertow**, UNDER- 4; **undertrump**, UNDER- 2; **undervaluation**, **undervalue**, UNDER- 3; **underwear**, **underwing**, **underwood**, **underworld**, UNDER- 4.

underwrite¹ (-erit), v.t. & i. Execute & deliver (policy of insurance esp. on marine property), practise marine insurance, engage to buy all stock in (company etc.) not bought by the public, whence **un'derwritér**¹ n.; write below, as the *underwritten names*. [UNDER- 3]

un'dies (-díx), n. pl. (colloq.). (Esp. women's) underclothing. [abbr., -Y¹]

undine¹ (-én), n. Female water-sprite who by marrying a mortal & bearing a child might receive a soul. [f. L *unda* wave + -INE¹]

undo, see UN-¹(1); **undock**, UN-⁴(3); **undoer**, **undoing**, **undomesticate**, **undone**¹, UN-¹(1).

un'dóse, a. (entom.). Wavy, undulating. [f. L *undus* (unda wave, see -OSE¹)]

undrape, **undress**¹ v.t. & l., see UN-¹(1); **undress**² n., UN-¹(2); **undressed**¹, UN-¹(1); **unduke**, UN-¹(4).

un'dül'äte¹, v.l. Have wavy motion or look. Hence ~ANT a. (esp. ~ant fever, Malta fever), ~ät'ingly² adv. [as foll., -ATE¹]

un'dülate¹, a. Wavy, going alternately up & down or in & out, as *leaves with ~ margins*. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *undulatus* (unda wave, see -UL-, -ATE¹)]

ündül'ät'ion, n. Wavy motion or form, gentle rise & fall, each wave of this; set of wavy lines; (Path.) sensation of undulating movement in the heart. [as proc. + -ATION]

un'dülät'ory, a. Undulating, wavy; of, due to, undulation; ~ *theory of light* (that light is propagated through the ether by wave-motion imparted to the ether by molecular vibrations of the radiant body), so **ündül'ät'ionist**² (-sho-) n. [-ORY]

unearth, see UN-⁴(3); **unease**, UN-⁴(2); **unedge**, UN-⁴(2); **unegoize**, UN-¹(1); **unemployment**, UN-⁴(2); **unentangle**, **unequalize**, UN-¹(1); **unface**, UN-⁴(2); **unfaith**, UN-⁴(2); **unfasten**, **unfastened**¹, UN-¹(1); **unfeather**, **unfence**, UN-⁴(2); **unfetter**, **unfettered**¹, **unfeudalize**, **unfile**, **unfit**, **unfix**, **unfixed**¹, UN-¹(1); **unflesh**, **unflower**, UN-⁴(2); **unfold**¹, UN-¹(1); **unfold**², UN-⁴(3); **unform**, UN-¹(1); **unframe**, UN-⁴(2); **unfriend**, UN-⁴(2); **unfrook**, UN-⁴(2); **unfurl**, UN-¹(1).

ungain'ly (-n-g-), a. & adv. (Of persons or animals or their movements) ill-made, awkward-looking, clumsy; (adv.) in ~y manner. Hence ~INNESS n. [UN-¹ + obs. *gain* a. f. ON *gegn* straight + -LY¹]

ungear, **ungild**, **ungird**, see UN-⁴(1); **ungirdle**, UN-⁴(2); **unglaze**, UN-¹(1); **unglove**, **ungown**, UN-⁴(2).

ung'ual (-ngw-), a. Of, like, bearing, a nail or hoof or claw. So **unguic'ülar**¹, **unguic'ülar**², [-CULE, usu. without dim. force], **unguic'ürous**, **ung'üiform**, aa. [f. L *unguis* claw, nail, + -AL]

ung'uent (-ngw-), n. Any soft substance used as ointment or for lubrication. So ~ARY¹ a. [f. L *unguentum* (unguere anoint)]

ung'üla (-ngg-), n. (pl. ~ae). Hoof, claw, talon, whence ~ATE¹(2) a. & n. (seal); hooked instrument for extracting dead foetus; cone, cylinder, with top cut off by plane oblique to base. Hence ~AL¹ a. [f. dim. as UNGUAL]

ungum, **unhair**, see UN-⁴(2); **unhallow**,

unhand, unhang, unharness, unhasp, UN-¹(1); unhat, unhelm, UN-¹(2); unhinge(d), unhitch, UN-¹(1); unhive, UN-¹(3); unhook, unhoop, UN-¹(1); unhorse, UN-¹(3); unhouse, unhumanize, UN-¹(1); unhusk, UN-¹(2).

uni- in comb. = *L unus* one, as: *~articu- late*, single-jointed; *~axial*, having 1 single axis, whence *~axially* adv.; *~cham- eral*, of only one chamber (of Parlia- ment etc.); *~capsular*, of one capsule; *~cellular*, one-celled; *~coloured*, of one colour; *~cornuous*, one-horned; *~cosate*, single-ribbed; *~cuspid a. & n.*, (tooth) of one cusp; *~icycle*, single-wheeled vehicle; *~flor'ous*, bearing one flower; *~foliate*, having one leaf; *~lateral*, one-sided (*~lateral leaves*, leaning to one side of stem, *~lateral contract*, binding one party only), whence *~laterally* adv.; *~lateral*, consisting of one letter; *~locular*, *~loculate*, (Bot., Zool.), single-chambered; *~multiparous*, producing one at a birth, (Bot.) having one axis or branch; *~partile*, not divided; *~uniped*, single-footed; *~perso- nal*, (of Deity) existing only in one person, (of verb) used only in one person; *~plan'ar*, lying in one plane; *~pole'ar*, (Bot., of cell etc.) having only one pole, (Electr.) showing only one kind of polari- ty, whence *~pole'arity n.*; *~radiate(d)*, having only one arm or process; *~serial*, set in one row; *~sexual*, of one sex, not hermaphrodite, having stamens or pistil but not both, whence *~sexuality n.*, *~sexually* adv.; *~sulcate* (Bot., Zool.), single-grooved; *~univalent* (Chem.), hav- ing a combining power of one, whence *~univalence, univalence, nn.*; *~univalve a. & n.*, (mollusc) of one valve; *~univocal a. & n.*, (word) of only one proper meaning, whence *~univocally* adv.

Un'iat, -ate, (û-), n. Member of any com- munity of Oriental Christians that ac- knowledges Pope's supremacy but retains own liturgy etc. [*f. Russ. uniat f. L unus* one]

un'icorn, n. 1. Fabulous animal with horse's body & single straight horn (in *Deut. xxxiii. 17* mistransl. of Heb. *re'em*, a two-horned animal); heraldic representa- tion of this, with goat's beard & lion's tail. **2.** (Also *~fish, whale, sea-~*) nar- whal. **3.** Kind of single-horned beetle; caterpillar with hornlike prominence on back (*~molt, of this*). **4.** Pair of horses with third horse in front, turn-out with these. **5.** (Also *~shell*) kinds of gastero- pod with spine on lip of shell. [*f. L UNICORNIS f. cornu horn*]

un'iform, a. n., & v.t. 1. Not changing in form or character, the same, unvarying, as present a *~ appearance*, of *~ size & shape, keeps a ~ temperature, behaved with ~ acceleration* (not varying

with time); (of tax, law, etc.) not varying with time or place: conforming to same standard or rule. **2. n.** ~ dress worn by members of same body, e.g. by soldiers, sailors, policemen. **3. v.t.** Make ~, clothe in ~. Hence *~ly* adv. [(n. & vb f. adj.) *f. F uniforme f. L UNIFORMIS -FORMIS*]

un'iform'ity, n. Being uniform, sameness, consistency; *Act of U~* (for securing ~ in public worship, esp. that of 1688); *doctrines of ~* (that ~ has prevailed in physical causes & effects in all ages, opp. to CATA- STROPHISM), whence *~uniformitarianism* nn. [*f. L uniformitas* (as prec., see -RY)]

un'i'fy, v.t. Reduce (things, or abs.) to unity or uniformity. Hence or pogn. *~fication, ~fix'at, nn.* [*f. mod. L UNI- (ficare -RY)*]

Unigén'itus (û-), n. (hist.). Bull of

Clement XI against Jansenism in 1713. [*mod. L, - only-begotten, its first wd*]

unintelligible. See UN-¹(1).

un'ion (-yon), n. 1. Uniting, being united, coalition, junction, as *effected a ~, the ~ of the parts was imperfect, ~ by first or second INTENTION*; *the U~* (of England & Scotland in 1706, also, of Great Britain & Ireland in 1801). **2.** Matrimony, marriage. **3.** Concord, agreement, as *lived together in perfect ~*. **4.** A whole resulting from com- bination of parts or members, esp. (1) *the U.S.*, (2) *the United Kingdom*, (3) *South Africa*; *TRADE ~*; *POSTAL ~*. **5.** || (Former- ly) two or more parishes consolidated for administration of poor-laws, (in full *~ workhouse*) workhouse erected by such ~. **6.** || Association of independent (esp. Congregational or Baptist) churches for purposes of co-operation. **7.** (*U~*) general club & debating society at some uni- versities, buildings of such society. **8.** Part of flag with device emblematic of ~ normally occupying upper corner next staff (*ensign hoisted ~ down*, with ~ below as signal of distress); *U~ Jack* or *flag*, national ensign of United Kingdom formed by ~ of crosses of St George, St Andrew, & St Patrick. **9.** Kinds of joint or coupling for pipes etc.; shallow vat in which beer is left to clear; fabric of mixed materials, e.g. cotton with linen or silk or jute. **10.** ~ *suil*, combinations (garment). [*F, f. LL unio* unity (*unus* one, see -ION)]

un'ion'ist (-nyo-), n. 1. Member of a trade union, advocate of trade unions. **2.** Person opposed to rupture of legislative union between Great Britain & Ireland, opponent of home rule in Ireland, as *LIBERAL ~ist*, (*atizib*). *~ist party, prin- ciples*; *(Hist.) one who during the civil war opposed secession. So *~ism n.*, *~is'tic a.* [-IST]

un'ique' (-ék), a. & n. 1. Unmatched, un- equalled, having no like or equal or paral-

~Ere singg. in UN- not given see UN-¹(1).

For other words in *uni-* see *UNI-*.

lei, as his position was ~, this vase is so far as is known ~, (vulg.) the most ~ (remarkable) man I ever met. 2. n. ~ things. Hence ~LY¹ (-èk'li) adv., ~NESS (-èk'n-) n. [F, f. L. *unicus* (unus one)]

ūn'ison, a. & n. 1. (Mus.) coinciding in pitch, whence or cogn. **ūnis'onāl**, **ūnis'onant**, **ūnis'onous**, aa., **ūnis'on-ance** n.; ~ *string* (tuned in ~ with another string & meant to be sounded with it). 2. n. Unity of pitch in sounds or notes, (Mus.) this regarded as an interval; state of sounding at same pitch, esp. in ~; = ~ *string*; concord, agreement, as acted in perfect ~. [f. LL *uni* (sonus sound)]

ūn'it, n. Individual thing or person or group regarded for purposes of calculation etc. as single & complete, each of the individuals or groups into which a complex whole may be analysed, as take the family as the ~ of society; quantity chosen as a standard in terms of which other quantities may be expressed, as abstract ~, the number one (1), C.G.S. system of ~s (in which centimetre, gramme, second, are the ~s of length, mass, & time), electrical, magnetic, thermal, ~. [shortened f. UNITY]

ūnitār'ian, n. & a. 1. (U~) one who, member of a Christian body that, maintains against the doctrine of the Trinity that God is one person, whence U~ISM n., U~IZE v.t.; advocate of unity or centralization e.g. in politics. 2. adj. Of the U~s, as U~ Church; = foll. [-ARIAN]

ūn'itār'y, a. Of a unit or units, as ~ *method*, a rule in arithmetic used for same purpose as rule of three; marked by unity or uniformity. [-ARY¹]

ūnite', v.t. & i. 1. Join (t. & i.) together, make or become one, combine, consolidate, amalgamate, as ~ the parts with cement, give the parts time to ~, the two nations gradually (became) ~d, oil will not ~ with water; U~d Brethren, the MORAVIAN sect; U~d Irishmen, Irish society formed in 1791 for purposes of parliamentary reform etc.; U~d KINGDOM; U~d Nations, (orig., in 1942) those ~d against the AXIS powers in the 1939-45 war, (later) an organization of almost all 'peace-loving States'; U~d Provinces, Holland, Zealand, & 5 other provinces ~d in 1578 & forming basis of republic of Netherlands, (also, hist.) one of the major Indian administrative divisions, comprising Agra and Oudh; U~d STATE's. 2. Agree, combine, co-operate, (in sentiment, conduct, doing). Hence **ūnit'ediv'** adv., **ūn'itvz** a. [f. L. *unire* -it- (unus one)]

ūn'icism, n. = MONISM. [-ISM]

ūn'itise, v.t. Reduce to, treat as, a unit. [-ISE]

ūn'ity, n. Oneness, being one or single or individual, being formed of parts that constitute a whole, due interconnexion &

coherence of parts, as disturbs the ~ of the idea, pictures lack ~, national ~; thing showing such ~, thing that forms a complex whole, as a person regarded as a ~; (Math.) the number one, factor that leaves unchanged the quantity on which it operates; the dramatic unities, unities of time, place, & action, limitation of supposed time of drama to that occupied in acting it or to a single day, use of same scene throughout, & abstention from all that is irrelevant to development of single plot; harmony, concord, between persons etc., as dwell together in ~, at ~ with; (Law) joint tenancy of different tenants, joint possession by one person of different rights. [f. L. *unitatem* (unus one, see -TY)]

ūnivērs'al, a. & n. 1. Of or belonging to or done etc. by all persons or things in the world or in the class concerned, applicable to all cases, as the terror was ~, met with ~ applause, has the ~ sanction of philosophers, the rule does not pretend to be ~, ~ agent (empowered to do all that can be delegated), ~ PROVIDER, ~ compass (with legs that may be extended for large circles), ~ coupling or joint (transmitting power by a shaft at any selected angle), ~ legatee (to whom the whole of a property is bequeathed), ~ proposition (in which predicate is affirmed or denied of the entire subject). Hence or cogn. **ūnivērsāl'ity**, ~IZAT'ION, nn., ~IZE(3) v.t., ~LY² adv. 2. n. (Logic) ~ proposition; (Philos.) general notion or idea, thing that by its nature may be predicated of many. [f. OF *universel* f. L. *universalis* (as UNIVERSE, see -AL)]

ūnivērs'al'ist, U-, n. One who holds, esp. member of an organized body of Christians who hold, that all mankind will eventually be saved. Hence or cogn. ~ISM n., ~is'tic a. [-IST]

ūn'ivērsē, n. All existing things; the whole creation (& the Creator); all mankind; (Logic) all the objects under consideration. [f. F *univers* f. L. *universum* neut. of *UNI*(versus p.p. of *vertere* turn) combined into one, whole]

ūnivērs'ity, n. Educational institution designed for instruction or examination or both of students in all or many of the more important branches of learning, conferring degrees in various faculties, & often embodying colleges & similar institutions; members of this collectively; team, crew, etc., representing a ~, as the ~ had four wickets to fall; U~ EXTENSION; U~ Test Act (abolishing subscription to Thirty-nine Articles etc. as requisite to taking of degree, 1871). [f. OF *universitas* f. L. *universitas* whole, universe, corporation, (as prec., see -TY), understood also w. ref. to number of subjects taught]

ūnivērs'ol'og'y, n. Science of all created things; science of all that is of human

interest. Hence ~old'gical a., ~ol'ogist n. [L. UNIVERS + O + -LOGY]

unjoin, unjoint, see UN-¹(1).

unkempt' (ûn-k'), a. Uncombed, dishevelled; untidy, of neglected appearance; (of language) careless, rough, incoherent. [UN-¹ + ME kempt p.p. of *kemben* comb, OE *cemban*]

unking, see UN-¹(4); unkink, unknot, unknot, unlace, unlade, unlash, unlatch, unlay, UN-¹(1); unlead, UN-¹(2); unlearn, UN-¹(1); unleash, UN-¹(3).

unless', conj. If not, except when, as *shall (not) go ~ I hear from him*, ~ *absolutely compelled, always walked ~ I had a bicycle*; ~ & until (verbose for *until* in condit. use, cf. if & when). [earlier *onless* (ON + LESS); ~ *I hear* = on less provocation than my hearing, short of my hearing, cf. F *à moins que* or *de*]

unlimber, see UN-¹(2); unline, unlink, unload, unlock, unlodge, unloose, UN-¹(1); unlord, UN-¹(4); unmake, UN-¹(1); unman, UN-¹(2, 4); unmantle, UN-¹(2); unmask, unnew, UN-¹(1); unmonk, UN-¹(4); unmoor, unmortise, unmould, unmuffle, unmuzzle, UN-¹(1); unnail, UN-¹(2); unnaturalize, unnerve(d), UN-¹(1); unnest, UN-¹(3); unpeg, unpeg, UN-¹(1); unpen, UN-¹(3); unpeople, UN-¹(1); unperch, UN-¹(3); unpick, unpin, unplait, unplug, UN-¹(1); unplume, UN-¹(2); unpoppe, UN-¹(4); unpreach, UN-¹(1); unprejudice, UN-¹(2); unprelate, unpriest, unprince, UN-¹(4); unprop, UN-¹(2); unqueen, UN-¹(4); unravel, UN-¹(1); unreason, UN-¹(2); unreel, unreeve, unrein, UN-¹(1); unrepair, unreserve, unrest, unrestraint, UN-¹(2); unriddle, unrig, UN-¹(1); unright, UN-¹(2); unring, UN-¹(2); unrip, unrivet, UN-¹(1); unrobe, UN-¹(2); unroll, unromanize, UN-¹(1); unroof, UN-¹(2); unroost, UN-¹(3); unroot, UN-¹(1); unrumple, UN-¹(2); unsaddle, unsaid', unsay, UN-¹(1); unscale, UN-¹(2); unscrew, unseal, unseam, unseat, unseated', UN-¹(1); unself, UN-¹(2); unseat, unsettle, unsettled', UN-¹(1); unsex, UN-¹(2); unshackle, unsheathe, UN-¹(1); unshell, UN-¹(2); unship, unshipped', UN-¹(1); unshoe, unshot, unshutter, unshew, unsister, UN-¹(2); unsling, UN-¹(1); unsnare, UN-¹(3); unsolder, unspar, UN-¹(2); unspeak, UN-¹(1); unspell, unsphere, UN-¹(3); unsprung, UN-¹(1); unequire, UN-¹(4); unstarch, UN-¹(2); unsteel, UN-¹(1); unstep, UN-¹(3); unstick, unstitch, unstock, unstop, UN-¹(1); unstopper, UN-¹(2); unstrap, unstring, unstrung, UN-¹(1); unsucces, unsuspicion, UN-¹(2); unswaddle, unswathe, unswear, UN-¹(1); unsymmetry, UN-¹(2); untask, untangle,

unteach, untemper, UN-¹(1); untent, UN-¹(3); untether, unthink, unthread, UN-¹(1); unthrift, UN-¹(2); unthrone, UN-¹(3); untie, untied', UN-¹(1).

until', prep. & conj. -TILL¹ (preferred when its clause or phrase stands first, as ~ *you told me I had no idea of it*, & occas. in leisurely or dignified or pompous style, as *unless* & ~). [ME *untill* f. ON *und* as far as + TILL¹]

untile, untin, see UN-¹(2).

ûn'to (-ôb), prep. (arch.). -TO¹ (in all uses except as sign of infinitive). [as UNTIL, w. TO¹ substituted for TILL¹]

untomb, see UN-¹(3); untooth, UN-¹(2); untouchable, UN-¹(1); untruss, UN-¹(1); untruth, UN-¹(2); untuck, untune, UN-¹(1); unturf, UN-¹(2); untwine, untwist, unveil, UN-¹(1); unvicar, UN-¹(4); unvote, unwarp, unweave, UN-¹(1).

ûnwiel'dij', a. Slow or clumsy of movement, difficult to use or manage, owing to size or weight or shape. Hence ~ily¹ adv., ~iness n. [UN-¹ + obs. *wieldy* (obs. *wield* n. control, cf. WIELD v., +Y¹) vigorous]

unwill, unwind, see UN-¹(1); unwisdom, UN-¹(2); unwitting(ly), UN-¹(1); unwound', unwork, unwrap, un wrinkle, unyoke, UN-¹(1).

ûp, adv., prep., a., n., & v.i. 1. To or in a high(er) place, position, degree, amount, value, etc., to or in a capital or university or place farther north or otherwise conventionally regarded as high(er), as *bird flew up to the eaves*, *high up in the air*, *what is he doing up there?*, *horse might have won with a better jockey up* (in saddle), *lives four floors up*, *a few feet further up*, *flames mount up*, *total mounts up*, *tide is coming up*, *water came up to his chin*, *a hundred up* (on scoring-board, scored in game), *it is up to* (incumbent on) *us to foot the bill*, *sums up to \$5*, *lives up to* (spends all) *his income*, *up to the MARK¹*, *up against* (confronted with) *a hard job*, *am not up to* (fit for) *travelling*, *custom is traced up* (back) *to the Stuarts*, *up to DATE¹*, *lift up your head*, *as far up* (north) *as Aberdeen*, || *Oxford men just going up*, || *stayed up* (at Oxford etc.) *for the vacation*, *ran up to town* (London) *for the day*, *was had up* (before magistrate) *on a charge of drunkenness*, *sailed up* (towards source) *as far as the river was navigable*, *corn is up* (at high price), *is high up in the school*, *went up three places in class*, *ran up a bill*, *have looked for it up & down* (in every direction). 2. To the place in question or in which the speaker etc. is, as *child came up & asked me the time*, *went straight up to the door*, *sure to turn¹ up late*. 3. To or in erect or vertical position (lit. & fig.) esp. as favourable to activity, out of bed or lying or sitting or kneeling posture, in(to)

condition of efficiency or activity, as: *springing up from his seat, stand up*, (with *get, stand*, etc. understood) *up!*, *up with you, get up, up with it*, put it up, *up* (opp. *down with*) *the Bolsheviks!*, *was* (already) *up early this morning*, *was* (still) *up late last night, must be up & doing*, *Home Secretary is up* (has risen to speak, is speaking), *Parliament is up* (no longer sitting, prorogued), *stir up sedition, get up, screw up your courage, wind up watch, put the helm up* (so place it as to force ship away from wind), *beer is not up* (is flat), *nation is up in arms* (armed & ready to fight lit. & fig., often *against*), *whole of the west was up* (in rebellion etc.), *his blood is up* (anger or spirit roused), *is well up* (instructed) *in mathematics, what is up* (going on)?, *what tricks have you been up to* (playing)?, *up to SNUFF!*, *do not feel up* (equal) *to work, this cigar is not up to much* (is poor); || (at Elton Coll.) *he is up to* (in the form of) *Mr A. 4.* (Expr. complete or effectual result etc.) *eat, drink, burn, dry, tear, up; speak up* (loudly); *hunt up, find by hunting; follow up; praise up; save up, accumulate by saving; pack, PUT!*, *bind, store, up; lock, chain, tie, fasten, fix, nail, seal, up* (securely); *time is up* (exhausted); *GIVE!* *up, hurry up, MAKE!* *up, cheer up, clear up; it is all up* (& sl. U.P.) *with him*, his case is hopeless; *HARD-up*. 5. prep. To a higher point of, on or along in ascending direction, as *climbed up the ladder, up the hill, smoke goes up chimney, sailed up* (towards source of) *the river, walked up* (towards higher or more central part of, or simply along) *the street, up hill & down dale, up & down* in every direction, taking the country as it comes; at or in a higher part of, as *lives farther up the road, somewhere up the river, saw him sitting half-a-mile up the hill, up a TREE, up the POLE!*, *up the SPOUT*. 6. adj. Moving, sloping, going, towards a higher point or to the capital, as *up stroke, line* (of railway), *train*. 7. n. **On the up-&-up* (colloq.), improving, on the level, honest; *ups & downs, rises & falls, undulating ground, alternately good & bad fortune*. 8. v.i. (colloq. & dial.; -pp-). Start up, begin abruptly to say or do something (*he ups & says*); (with *with*) raise, pick up, as *he upped* (or *up*) *with his fist, with his stick*. [OE *up(p)* adv., cf. Du. *op*, G. *auf*]

Up-, pref. = prec. 1. Adv. pref. to vbs (esp. in p.p.) & vbl nn., chiefly arch., poet., or rhet., exc. a few given separately (UPBRAID etc.), as: *upbear* v.t., hold up, sustain aloft, esp. in p.p. *upborne*; *upbind* v.t.; *upbraid* v.i.; *upbringing* n. (mod.), bringing up, education; *upcast* (-ak-) v.t.; *upcast* n., casting up, upward throw, (mining) shaft through which air

passes out of mine; *upgrowth* (-ôth) n., growing up, development, what grows up; *upheav* (-p-h-) v.t.; *upheav'al* (-p-h-) n. (mod.), heaving up, esp. (Geol.) of part of earth's crust, (fig.) vast social or other change; *upheave* (-p-h-) v.t. & i.; *up'keep* n. (mod.), (cost, means, of) maintenance; *uplift* v.t.; *up'lift* n. (esp. U.S.), elevating influence, edifying effect, moral inspiration; *upraise* v.t.; *uprear* v.t.; *uprise* v.i.; *upris'ing* n., rising esp. from bed, rebellion, riot; *uproof* v.t. (mod.), tear up by roots (lit. & fig.); *upsetan'ding*, well set up, erect, (of wages) fixed, not variable; *up'take* n., lifting, (orig. Sc.) understanding, apprehension, as *quick in the uptake*; *up'throw* (-ô), n., throwing upward, esp. (Geol., Mining) upward displacement of rock on one side of fault; *up'thrust* n. (Geol.), = *upheaval*; *upturn* v.t., turn up (ground in ploughing etc.). 2. Pref. with prep. force forming adv. & adj. f. nn., as: *up-country* (-kh-) a., toward the interior, inland, as *up-country districts* (cf. *up country* adv.); *uphill* (-p-h-) adv., with upward slope along hill or slope in upward direction, as *road runs uphill, riding uphill*; *up'hill* (-p-h-) a., sloping upwards, (fig.) arduous, difficult, laborious, as *uphill work*; *up'stage* a. (colloq.), stand-offish; *upstairs* (-z) adv., *up'stair(s)* a., on, to, an upper storey; *up'stream* adv., *up'stream* a., (moving, done) against the current. 3. With adj. force, as: *up'land* a. & n. (sing. or pl.), (of) the higher or inland parts of a country; *up'stroke*, upward line made in writing.

upa'nikshâd (ôpah-, ôpâ-), n. Each of a series of Sanskrit philosophical treatises forming a division of the Vedas. [Skr.]

Up'as, n. (Also ~tree, *antiar*) Javanese tree yielding milky sap used as arrow-poison & held fatal to whatever came beneath its branches, (fig.) pernicious influence, practice, etc.; poisonous sap of this & other trees. [Malay, = poison]

Up'braid', v.t. Chide, reproach (person etc. with, for, fault etc., or abs.). Hence ~ing¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. [OE *upbreddan*, *BRAD*]; orig. = bring up or adduce (a fault)]

Up-ênd', v.t. & i. (dial.). Set on end; sit, stand, or rise, up. [UP adv.]

Up'hôld' (-p-h-), v.t. Hold up, keep erect, support; give support or countenance to (person, practice, etc.); maintain, confirm, (decision, verdict). Hence ~ing¹ n. [UP-]

Up'hôl'ster (-p-h-), v.t. Furnish (room, etc.) with hangings, carpets, furniture, etc.; provide (chair etc.) with textile covering, padding, springs, etc., cover (chair etc. with, in, tapestry etc.). [back formation f. foll.]

Up'hôl'sterer (-p-h-), n. One whose trade

it is to upholster; ~-bee, kind that furnishes its cell with cut leaves etc. So **uphōl'stery** (1, 2) n. [earlier **uphold'ster** repairer (UPHOLD, -STER) or dealer, + -ER¹] **uph'rōe**, n. (naut.). Long wooden block with holes through which cords are rove for adjusting an awning. [f. Du. *juffrouw* young lady, (Naut.) ornamental pulley, etc. (*jong* young + *vrouw* woman)] **upōn'**, prep. = ON (*on* & ~ are perhaps always idiomatically interchangeable; *on* is perhaps the commoner word esp. in colloq. use; ~ is perhaps preferred when the prep. follows its object, as *had no evidence to go ~, nothing to depend ~, not enough to live ~*, but cf. *which table did you leap it on?*; other idiomatic preferences are perhaps rightly shown in *~ my word, on the whole, tier ~ tier of seats, fell ~ him unawares, had him on toast, came at once on receiving your message, take it on trust, will go on the chance, went on the spree, thrown ~ his own resources, stretched ~ the rack*). [formerly also as adv.; ME (UP + ON)]

upp'er, a. & n. 1. Higher in place, situated above, as ~ **tip**, ~ **storey** (of house, also fig. = brain, as *something wrong in his ~ storey*), ~ (right-hand side of) **keyboard**, ~ CASE², *have or get the ~ hand* (mastery); ~ **works** (Naut.), parts of ship above water when she is balanced for voyage; ~ **cut** (Boxing), short-arm blow delivered upwards inside opponent's guard, (v.t.) hit with ~ **cut**; ~ **PARTIALS**. 2. Higher in rank, dignity, etc., as *the ~ servants, the U ~ House*, House of Lords, *the ~ ten* (thousand), the aristocracy, *the U ~ Bench* (hist.), Court of King's Bench during exile of Charles II; ~ **crust** (colloq.), the aristocracy. 3. n. ~ part of boot or shoe, as *be on one's ~s* (poor, in difficulties); (pl.) cloth gaiters. [ME (UP + -ER²)]

upp'ermost, a. & adv. 1. Highest in place or rank, so **up'most** a. 2. adv. On or to the top, as *said whatever came ~* (first suggested itself). [prec. + -MOST]

upp'ish, a. Self-assertive, pert. Hence ~ **LY**² adv., ~ **NESS** n. [f. UP + -ISH¹]

up'right (-rit; in pred. use also **uprit'**), a., adv., & n. 1. Erect, vertical, as *an ~ post, posture*, **PIANO**², (pred. a. or adv.) *stood ~, set it ~*; righteous, strictly honourable or honest, whence ~ **LY**² adv., ~ **NESS** n., (-rit-). 2. n. Post or red fixed ~ esp. as support to some structure. [OE **UFRĀT** RIGHT)]

up'rear (-rē), n. Tumult, violent disturbance, clamour. Hence **upreari'ous** a. (often of laughter, high spirits, etc.), **upreari'ously**² adv., **upreari'ousness** n., (-rē-). [f. Du. *oproer* (op up + *reer* a stir, cf. *G ruhr*)]

up'rush, n. An upward rush; (esp.,

Psych.) a sudden emergence into consciousness from the subliminal. [UP- 1] **upsēt'**¹, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Overturn, be overturned, as *carriage (was) ~*; disturb the composure or temper or digestion of, as *the news quite ~ him, ate something that ~ him*; shorten & thicken (metal, esp. tire) by hammering or pressure. 2. n. (up'). ~ing, being ~. [UP-]

up'set'², a. ~ **price**, lowest selling price of property in auction etc., reserve price. [UP-]

up'shot, n. Final issue, conclusion; general effect, the long & short, (of a matter). [UP-]

up'side-down', adv. & a. With the upper part under, inverted, in total ~ as *everything was (turned) ~, an ~ arrangement*. [altored f. ME *up so down*, lit. up as if down; cf. TOPSY-TURVY]

|| **upsides'** (-dz), adv. (dial.). *Get ~ with*, turn the tables on, avenge oneself upon. [UP, SIDE, -ES]

upsil'on, n. Greek letter (Υ, υ) = u. [Gk (*psilos* bare)]

up'start, n. Person who has risen suddenly from humble position (often attrib.); person who assumes arrogant tone. [UP-]

up'ward a., **up'ward(s)** (-z) adv. 1. Directed, moving, towards a higher place (lit. & fig.), as *an ~ glance, prices show an ~ tendency*, whence ~ **LY**² adv. 2. adv. In ~ direction, as *look, move, ~(s), followed the stream ~(s)* (towards source); *children of 6 years old & ~(s)* (more); *found ~(s)* of (more than) 40 specimens. [-WARD(S)]

uræm' (ia, n. (path.). Morbid condition of blood due to retention of urinary matter normally eliminated by kidneys. Hence ~ **IC** a. [f. Gk *ouron* urine + *haima* blood] **uræ'us**, n. Serpent as head-dress of Egyptian divinities & kings. [mod. L f. Gk *ouraios* repr. the anc.-Egypt. wd for cobra]

Ur'al-Altä'ic (ūr'al-äl-), a. Of (the people of) the Ural & Altaic mountain ranges; (Philol.) of a family of Finnic, Mongolian, & other agglutinative languages of N. Europe & Asia.

uranian. See VENUS.

ūrān'ium, n. Radio-active white metallic element, the heaviest of the elements occurring in nature, used as a source of atomic energy & (in the isotope U 235) in atomic bombs. Hence **ūrān'ic**, **ūr'an-ous**, aa. [f. URANUS + -IUM]

ūrān'o- in comb. = Gk *ouranos* heaven, as: ~ **og'raphy**, descriptive astronomy, so ~ **og'raph'ic(al)** aa., ~ **og'raphist** n.; ~ **ol'ogy**, astronomy; ~ **om'etry**, measurement of stellar distances, map showing positions and magnitudes of stars.

Ur'anus (ūr-; or **ūrān'**), n. (Gk Myth.) son of Ge (Earth) & father of Cronus (Saturn), the Titans, etc.; planet dis-

covered by Herschel in 1781, outmost of solar system except Neptune & Pluto. [L. f. Gk *ouranos*, heaven, Uranus]

urb'an, a. Of, living or situated in, a city or town, as ~ districts, population. Hence ~*ness* (3) v.t., render ~, remove the rural character of (a district), ~iZA'TION n. [f. L *urbanus* of the city, refined, polished (*urbis urbis* city, see -AN)]

urbāne', a. Courteous, suave, elegant or refined in manner. Hence ~LY² adv. [as prec.]

urbān'itē, n. Courtesy, polished manners; || (arch.) polished wit or humour. [f. L *urbanitas* (as prec., see -RY)]

ur'céolate, a. (bot.). Pitcher-shaped, with large body & small mouth. [f. L *urceolus* dim. of *urceus* pitcher + -ATE²]

ur'ch'in, n. 1. Roguish or mischievous boy; boy, youngster. 2. (Urn. sea~)

URCHINUS; || (arch.) hedgehog, goblin. [f. ONF *herichon* f. L *erictus* hedgehog]

Urdu (oor'dōo), n. Hindustani. [Hind., lit. = camp (language), as originating between Mohammedan conquerors & their subjects]

-ure, suf. forming nn., repr. F *-ure*, L *-ura*, added to p.p. stems of vbs (*apertura, captura, censura, dictatura*), rarely to others (*figura*). Wds in *-atura* lost -t- in F (*armatura* F *armure*, *formatura* F *four nure*, *capellatura* F *chevelure*), & *-ure*, thus appearing to be added to pres. st., became living suf. in F forming nn. on vbs in -er not always of L orig. (*procedure, monture, brochure*), many of which are adopted in E. *Seizure, pleasure, failure, leisure, tenure*, are F infinitives in -ir assim. to wds in *-ure*; see also TREASURE. MANURE. Senses in E: (1) vbl action, (2) its result, (3) collective body of agents, as *legislature*, (4) term of (official) agency, as (rarely) *judicature*.

ur'ea, n. (chem.). Soluble colourless crystalline compound contained esp. in urine of mammals. [f. Gk *ouron* urine]

-uret, suf. (chem.) of nn. & their derivatives indicating combination, now for the most part replaced by -IDE. [mod. L *-uretum* first applied to F wds in *-ure*]

ur'êr'er, n. Duct by which urine passes from kidney to bladder etc. Hence ~*itis* n. [f. Gk *ourêter* (*ourêō* make water)]

ur'êth'r'a, n. Duct by which urine is discharged from bladder. Hence ~AL a. ~*itis*, ~OCLE, ~êT'OMY, nn. [LL, f. G] *ourêthra* (as prec.)]

ur'êt'ic, a. & n. = DIURETIC.

ur'ge, v.t. & n. 1. Drive forcibly, impel, hasten, cause to proceed with effort, as ~d his horse forward, ~d him on, we ~d our flight northwards; entreat or exhort earnestly or persistently, as ~ him to action, to take steps; advocate (measure etc.) pressingly; ply (person etc.) hard with argument or entreaty; dwell per-

sistently or emphatically upon, as in *vain you ~ his youth*, ~d the difficulty of getting supplies, argument was ~d in vain. 2. n. Impulsion, yearning. [f. L *urgere* press, drive]

ur'genc'y, n. Being urgent; || (Parl.) formal declaration, by vote of three to one in house of not less than 300, that matter is urgent & shall take precedence of all others. [f. foll., see -UNCY]

ur'gent, a. Pressing, calling for immediate action or attention, as *am* in ~ need, the matter is ~, an ~ demand; importunate, earnest & persistent in demand, as *was* ~ with me for (or to disclose) further particulars. Hence ~LY² adv. [F (as URGE, see -MRY)]

ur'ic, a. Of urine: ~ acid (found in small quantities in healthy urine of man & quadrupeds, chief constituent in that of birds & reptiles). [f. F *urique* (URINE, -IC)]

urient, suf. f. L -urient-, part. stem of desiderative verbs, forming aa. with meaning 'desiring (to do something)', as *ESURIENT*.

ur'im, n. ~ & *ithamm'im*, objects of unknown nature connected with bread-plate of high priest (Exod. xxviii. 30). [Heb. *urim* pl. of *ur* light, *ithammim* pl. of *tum* perfection]

ur'inal, n. Fixed vessel or receptacle for use of persons requiring to pass urine; public or private place containing such receptacles; vessel used by invalid for passing water in bed; glass vessel for containing urine for inspection. [OF f. L (URINE, -AL)]

ur'ināry, a. & n. 1. Of urine, as ~ organs, *disorders*. 2. n. Reservoir for urine as manure; (Mil.) barrack building containing several urinals. [-ARY¹]

ur'ināte, v.i. Pass urine. Hence ~A'TION n. [f. mod. L *urinare* (as foll.), see -ATE²]

ur'ine, n. Pale-yellow fluid secreted from the blood by the kidneys, stored in bladder, & discharged through urethra. So ~OUS a. [OF, f. L *urina*, cogn. w. Gk *ouron*, see -INE⁴]

ur'in'o- in comb. = proc., as: ~di'ogy, study of the urine; ~m'eter, instrument showing specific gravity of urine, so ~m'etric a., ~m'etry n.; ~de'copy, inspection of urine, so ~oscōp'ic a.

urn, n., & v.t. 1. Vase with foot & usu. with rounded body, esp. as anciently used for storing the ashes of the dead or as vessel or measure; (fig.) anything in which dead body or its remains are preserved, e.g. grave; vase-shaped vessel with tap in which tea, coffee, etc., is kept hot, e.g. by means of spirit-lamp; ~flower, kinds of bulbous plant with ~shaped flower. Hence ~FUL a. 2. v.t. Enclose in ~. [(vb f. n.) f. L *urna* (sacred urn)]

ur'e-¹ in comb. = URINO-, as *ur'e'ography* etc.

urs- in comb. = Gk *ours* tall, in anat. terms.

Urs'a (âr-), n. ~ Major, Minor, Great, Little, BEAR¹. [L. = she-bear]

urs'ine, a. Of, like, a bear. [f. L. *ursinus* (ursus bear, see -IN¹)]

Urs'uline (âr-), a. & n. (Nun) of an order founded in 1587 for nursing the sick & teaching girls. [f. St *Ursula* + -IN¹]

urtica'ia, n. (path.). Nettle-rash. [f. L. *urtica* nettle]

urt'icâte, v.t. Sting like a nettle; whip (paralytic limb etc.) with nettles to restore feeling. So ~A'TION n. [f. med. L. *urticare* (L. *urtica* nettle) see -ATE¹]

urubu (ôô'rôbbôô), n. American black vulture. [Brazilian]

ur'us, n. Kind of wild bull described by Caesar, = AUCOBES. [L. = Gk *ouros*]

us (ûs, us), pl. obj. of 1st (abbr. 's, as let's go; oocas, poet. & arch., = ourselves, as let's get us from the walls). [OE *ûs*, cf. Du. *ons*, G. *uns*, L. *nos*, Gk *hēmas*, Skr. *asmān*]

ûs'age (-z-), n. Manner of using or treating, treatment, as met with harsh ~, damaged by rough ~; habitual or customary practice esp. as creating a right or obligation or standard, as sanctified by ~, an ancient ~, contrary to the ~ of the best writers; (Law) habitual but not necessarily immemorial practice. [ME & OF, f. med. L. *usaticum* (as *USE*¹, see -AGE)]

ûs'ance (-z-), n. (commerce). Time allowed for payment of foreign bills of exchange, as the ~ on Indian bills is 4 months, bill drawn at half or double ~. [OF (as *USE*¹, see -ANCE)]

use¹ (ûs), n. 1. Using, employment, application to a purpose, as should recommend the ~ of a file, taught him the ~ of the globes, put it to a good ~, is meant for ~ not ornament, is in daily ~, becomes easier with ~, worn & polished with ~, made ~ of (employed) a quibble, pray make ~ of my telephone. 2. Right or power of using, as stipulated for the ~ of the piano, lost the ~ of his left arm. 3. Availability, utility, purpose for which thing can be used, as a blunt knife is ~ for this work, a foot-rule will be found of (great) ~, it is (of) no ~ talking or to talk, what is the ~ of talking?, talking is no ~, find a ~ for bananas-skins, I have no ~ for it. 4. Custom, wont, familiarity, as long ~ has reconciled me to it, in such matters ~ is everything, according to his ~ in emergencies, ~ & wont. 5. Ritual & liturgy of a church, diocese, etc., as *Sarum*, *Anglican*, *Roman*, ~. 6. (Law) benefit or profit of lands & tenements in the possession of another who holds them solely for the beneficiary. [f. OF *us* f. L. *usus* -ûs (as *fell*); (in legal sense) AF *ous* f. L. *opus* employment, need]

use' (ûs), v.t. & i. 1. Employ for a purpose, handle as instrument, consume as material, exercise, put into operation,

avail oneself of, as seldom ~ a knife, should ~ oil for frying, we seem to ~ a great deal of butter, never ~ a dictionary, learn to ~ your hands, ~ your wits, must ~ the services of an agent, shall ~ every means, must ~ your opportunities, ~ your discretion, should at least ~ some moderation, may I ~ your name (quote you as authority, reference, etc.)?, do not fail to ~ (in argument, pleading, etc.) this damaging fact, has ~d my absence to poison everyone against me. 2. Treat in specified manner, as has ~d me like a dog, how did he ~ you?, ~d me ill, ill ~d me. 3. (Now only in past, usu. pron. 1st, esp. when followed immediately by to) be accustomed, have as one's constant or frequent practice, as I ~d to take (the bus, does not come as often as he ~d (to), bell ~d always to ring at one, what ~d he to say?, ~d not (colloq. didn't ~) to answer. 4. (Now only in p.p., pron. as last sense) accustomed, as am not ~d to this sort of thing, to being called a liar, have become ~d to a vegetarian diet. 5. ~ up, consume the whole of (material etc.), find a use for (remaining material etc.), exhaust, wear out e.g. with overwork. Hence **ûs'ABLE** a., **ûs'er**¹ [-ER¹] n., (-z-). [f. OF *user* f. LL *usare* frequent. of L. *uti* use-use]

ûse'ful (-af-), a. Of use, serviceable, producing or able to produce good result, as ~ arts, ratchet-brace will be found ~, gave me some ~ hints, must make himself generally ~ (perform miscellaneous services); (sl.) highly creditable or efficient, as a pretty ~ performance, is pretty ~ at Greek lambics. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-FUL]

ûse'lèss (-sl-), a. Serving no useful purpose, unavailing, as a mass of ~ erudition, contents were rendered ~ by damp, protest is ~; (sl.) out of health or spirits, unfit for anything, as am feeling ~. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-LESS]

user¹. See **USE**¹.

ûs'er¹ (-z-), n. (law). Continued use or enjoyment of a right etc.; right of ~, (1) right to use, (2) presumptive right arising from ~. [OF (as *USE*¹, see -ER¹)]

ûsh'er, n., & v.t. 1. Officer or servant acting as doorkeeper of a court etc., showing persons to seats in public hall etc., || or walking before person of rank, as (gentleman ~ of the) BLACK¹ rod; || (now usu. derog.) under-teacher, assistant schoolmaster. Hence ~ETTE¹, ~SHIP, nn. 2. v.t. Act as ~ to, precede (person) as ~, announce, show in etc., as was at length ~ed (in) to his presence, star ~s in the dawn. [(vb f. n.) AF *usher*, f. OF (*h)usser* f. L. *ostiarus* doorkeeper (*ostium* door, see -ARY¹)]

ûs'quebaugh (-aw), n. Whisky; Irish cordial made of brandy etc. [f. Ir. *uisge beatha* water of life (*uisge* water, *beatha* + beatha life)]

ustulá'tion, *n.* Drying of moist substance to prepare it for pulverizing; burning of wine. [*f. L. ustulare* scorch *f. urere* ust-burn, -arion]

úsual (-zhóo-), *a.* Such as commonly occurs, customary, habitual, as asked the ~ questions, with his ~ disregard of convention, the courtesy ~ with him, it is ~ to tip the waiter, came earlier than (was) ~, have forgotten something as (is) ~ or (vulg. joc.) as per ~. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS *n.* [*f. OF usuel f. L. usualis* (as USE¹, see -AL)]

úsucáp'tion (-z-), *n.* (civil law). Acquisition of the title or right to property by uninterrupted & undisputed possession for prescribed term. [also -cápion, *f. L. usucapio* -onis *f. usucapere* acquire by prescription (usu by USE¹ + capere capt-take)]

úsúfruct (-z-), *n.*, & *v.t.* Right of enjoying the use & advantages of another's property short of destruction or waste of its substance; (vb) hold in ~. [(vb *f. n.*) *f. L. ususfructus* use & enjoyment (*usus* USE¹ + *fructus* FRUIT)]

úsúfrúctúarý (-z-), *a. & n.* Of, one who has, usufruct. [*f. LL. usufructuarius* (prec., -ARY¹)]

úsurer (-zhu-), *n.* One who lends money at exorbitant interest. [AF, *f. med. L. usurarius* (as USURY, see -ER²)]

úsúrp' (-z-), *v.t. & i.* Seize, assume, (throne, office, power, property, etc.) wrongfully; (rare) encroach (up)on. Hence or cogn. **úsúrp'ATION** (-zer-), ~ER¹, *nn.*, ~ingly¹ adv. [*f. OF usurper f. L. usurpare* use, usurp, etym. dub.]

úsúry (-zhu-), *n.* Practice of lending money at exorbitant interest esp. at higher interest than is allowed by law, whence **úsúrious** (-z-, -zh-) *a.*, **úsúriously** adv., **úsúriousness** *n.*; such interest; (now usu. fig.) interest, as the service was repaid with ~. [*f. med. L. usuria, L. usura* (USE¹, -URE)]

ut¹ (dót), *n.* Key-note of a scale (now usu. Dó²). [see GAMUT]

út¹, adv. *Ut súp'ra, ín'fra*, as shown or stated above, below. [L]

útén'sil, *n.* Instrument, implement, esp. one in domestic use, as kitchen, cooking-, &c. [*f. OF utensile f. L. utensilis* usable]

út'erine, *a.* Of the uterus; born of same mother but not same father (his ~ brother). [*f. LL. uterinus* (foll., -IN¹)]

út'erus, *n.* (pl. ~i). The womb. Hence ~-IN¹ *n.* [L]

útílitárian, *a. & n.* Of, consisting in, utility; (holder) of utilitarianism. [-ARIAN]

útílitárianism, *n.* Doctrine that actions are right because they are useful; doctrine that greatest happiness of greatest number should be sole end of public action. [-ISM]

útíltý, *n.* Usefulness, profitability; useful thing; = public ~; = prec.

(Theatr., also ~man) actor of the smallest parts in plays; (attrib.) made or serving for ~, severely practical, (~ clothes, furniture). [*f. Utilité f. L. utilitatem* (utills useful *f. uti* use, see -TY)]

út'ilíz[e], *v.t.* Make use of, turn to account, use. Hence ~ABLE *a.*, ~ATION *n.* [*f. F. utiliser* (utills *f. L. utilis*, see prec.)]

út'ís póssidét'sis, *n.* Principle that leaves belligerents in possession of what they have acquired. [L, = as you possess]

út'most, *a. & n.* 1. Furthest, extreme, as the ~ limits; that is such in the highest degree, as showed the ~ reluctance. 2. *n.* One's ~, all one can do. [OE *utemest*, double superl. of *út* OUT, cf. AFTERMOST]

Útóp'ia (ú-), *n.* (Book published by Sir T. Moro in 1516 describing) imaginary island with perfect social & political system; ideally perfect place or state of things. [=nowhere, *f. Gk. ou* not + *topos* place]

Útóp'ian (ú-), *ú-*, *a. & n.* (Inhabitant) of Utopia; (characteristic of an) ardent but unpractical reformer etc., whence **útóp'ianism** *n.* [-AN]

út'ricle, *n.* Cell of animal or plant; small bag or cavity in the body, esp. one in the inner ear. Hence **út'ric'úlar** *a.* [*f. L. utriculus* dim. of *uter* leather bag]

út'ter¹, *a.* Complete, total, unqualified, as ~ misery, saw the ~ absurdity of it, an ~ denial; || ~ barrister (junior, addressing court from outside bar within which K.O. pleads). Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~MOST *a.*, ~NESS *n.* [OE *úttera*, compar. adj. *f. út* OUT]

út'ter², *v.t.* Emit audibly (cry, groan, sigh, etc.); express in spoken or written wds (one's sentiments, a lie, the truth, etc.); put (notes, base coin, etc.) into circulation. [*f. OUT, of. Du. uiteren* (út out), *G. duessen* (aus out)]

út'terance¹, *n.* Uttering, expressing in words, as gave ~ to his rage; power of speech, as defective ~; spoken words, as his *pulpit* ~s. [-ANCE]

út'terance², *n.* (literary). Fight etc. to the ~ (bitter end). [*f. OF outrance* (outrur surpass, as ULTRA-)]

út'úl'a, *n.* (pl. ~ae). Pendent fleshy part of soft palate; similar processes in bladder & cerebellum. Hence ~AR¹ *a.* (med. *L.* dim. of *L. uva* bunch of grapes)

út'úrious, *a.* Excessively fond of one's wife. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS *n.* [*f. L. uxorius* (uxor wife) + -OUS]

Ús'bég (ú-), *n.* Member of a Turkish race in central Asia. [native]

V

V, *v.* (vó), letter (pl. *Vs*, *V's*, *Ves*). *V*-shaped thing, e.g. joint; (Roman numeral) 5, as IV 4, VI 6, viii 8, viiii (now xxxix) 9, xv 15; iv 55; *V* sign, made by hand with fingers clenched except the

first and second outspread to form the letter V (for Victory).

vác'ancy, a. Being vacant or empty or unoccupied; emptiness of mind, idleness, listlessness; unoccupied post, as *has a ~ on his staff, in his warehouse, must fill the ~*. [f. L. *vacantia* (as foll., see -ANOV)]

vác'ant, a. Empty, not filled or occupied, as *house is still ~*, a *~ smoking-compartment, have no ~ space, will amuse your ~ hours, applied for a ~ post in the Treasury*; not mentally active, not rationally occupied, empty-headed, thoughtless, listless, stupid, as *his mind seems completely ~*, *received the news with a ~ stare, given up to ~ frivolities*, whence *~LY*² adv. [OF (as foll., see -ANT)]

vacá'te', v.t. Go away from so as to leave empty or unoccupied, give up occupation or possession of, (military position, place, house, throne, office); annul (law, contract, etc.). [f. L. *vacare* be empty (cf. VACUOUS), see -ATE³]

vacá'tion, n. Vacating (of house, post, etc.); holiday, fixed period of cessation from work, esp. in law-courts & universities, as *Christmas, Easter, Whitsun, long or summer, ~*. [OF, f. L. *vacationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

vác'cíná'te (-ks-), v.t. Inoculate with vaccine to procure immunity from small-pox or with modified virus of any disease in order to produce it in mild form & so prevent serious attack. Hence *~ATION* (-ks-), *~á'tionist*(2) (-ks-, -sho-), *~á'tor*² (1, 2) (-ks-), nn. [f. foll. + -ATE³]

vác'cine (-ks-), a. & n. 1. Of cows or cowpox or vaccination. 2. n. Virus of cowpox as used in vaccination (*bovine, humanized, ~*, got direct from cow, got from human subject), modified virus of any disease similarly used, whence *vác'cinal*, *vác'cin'ic*, (-ks-), aa.; *~farm* (where ~ is cultivated by inoculation of heifers); *~point*, pointed instrument used in inoculation. [f. L. *vaccinus* a. (*vacca* cow, see -INE³)]

vác'cín'ia (-ks-), n. (med.). Cowpox, esp. inoculated. [mod. L, f. prec.]

vác'cillá'te, v.i. Move from side to side, oscillate, waver; fluctuate in opinion or resolution. Hence or cogn. *~á'tingly*² adv., *~ATION* n. [f. L. *vaccillare*, see -ATE³]

vác'úól'e, n. (hol.). Minute cavity in organ etc. containing air, fluid, etc. Hence *~olá't*¹, *~olá'te*(2), aa. [F, dim. of VACUUM]

vác'úous, a. Empty, void; unintelligent, expressionless, vacant, as a *~ stare, remark*. Hence or cogn. *vacú'ity*, *~NESS*, nn. [f. L. *vacuus* + -OUS]

vác'uum, n. (pl. -ums, -a). 1. Space entirely devoid of matter, as *nature abhors a ~*; space, vessel, from which air has been almost exhausted by air-pump etc. (*Guerickean, Torricellian, ~*, produced by air-pump, by mercury-pump as in

mercurial barometer); (loosely) partial diminution of pressure below normal atmospheric pressure. 2. *~ brake*, continuous train-brake in which pressure is caused by exhaustion of air from bellows pulling brake-rod; *~ cleaner*, apparatus for removing dust etc. by suction; *~ flask*, with two walls separated by *~ jacket* so that liquid in inner receptacle retains its temperature; *~ gauge* (for testing pressure consequent on production of ~); *~ tube*, sealed glass tube with almost perfect ~ for observing of electric charge (see also TM, ~~~~). [L, nont. as prec. used as n.]

vád'è-méc'um, n. Handbook or other thing carried constantly about the person (often in title of book). [L, = go with me] *vác'víc'is*, int. Woe to the vanquished (expressing victor's intention of exacting full fruits of victory). [L]

vág'abónd, a., n., & v.i. 1. Having no fixed habitation, wandering; driven, drifting, to & fro; (of spider) not sedentary. 2. n. Wanderer, vagrant, esp. idle & worthless one; (colloq.) scamp, rascal. 3. v.i. (now colloq.). Wander about, play the ~. Hence *~AGE*(2, 3), *~ISM*(2), nn., *~ISH*¹ a., *~IZE*(2) v.i. [f. L. *vagabundus* (*vagari* wander)]

vág'á'ty, n. Whimsical or extravagant notion; caprice; freak. [ult. f. L. *vagari* wander]

vág'in'a, n. Sheath, sheathlike covering, esp. (Anat.) sexual passage in female from uterus to external orifice, whence *vág'inítis*, *vág'inó'tomy*, nn.; (Bot.) sheath formed round stem by base of leaf. Hence *vág'ínal*, *vág'ínat'e*², *vág'ínatéd*, aa. [L]

vág'ránt, a. & n. 1. Wandering, roving, strolling, itinerant, as a *~ musician, indulging in ~ speculations*. 2. n. Wanderer, idle rover, vagabond; (Law) idle & disorderly person of any of three grades liable to various terms of imprisonment. Hence *vág'rancy* n., *~LY*² adv. [earlier *vagaran't*, perh. f. AF *wakerant*, *walcrant*, of Teut. orig.; altered on L *vagari* wander]

vág'ue (-g), a. Indistinct, not clearly expressed or identified, of uncertain or ill-defined meaning or character, as *returned only a ~ answer, has some ~ idea of going to Canada, have not the ~ notion of his reasons, yield to ~ terrors, heard a ~ rumour to that effect*. Hence *~LY*² (-gl-) adv., *~NESS* (-gn-) n. [f. L. *vagus* wandering]

váil¹, v.t. & i. (arch., poet.). || Lower or doff (one's plumes, pride, crown, etc.) esp. in token of submission; (Law) give place, uncover as sign of respect etc. [f. F *vailier* see AVALLANCE]

|| **váil**², n. (arch.; usu. pl.). Gratuity, tip; present given for corrupt purpose. [-AVAIL]

váin, a. 1. Unsubstantial, empty, trivial,

as ~ *boasts, ~ triumphs, distinctions*; useless, unavailing, followed by no good result, as in the ~ *hope of dissuading him, all resistance was ~, to resist is ~, it is ~ to resist*; conceited, having too high an opinion of one's beauty, ability, etc. 2. In ~, to no purpose, as we *protested in ~, it was in ~ that we protested*; TAKE¹ person's name in ~. 3. ~ *glor'y*, boastfulness, excessive vanity, whence ~ *glor'ious* a., ~ *glor'iously* adv., ~ *glor'iousness* n. Hence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. (rare). [OF, f. L *vanus* empty, vain]

vair, n. (her.). A fur represented by small shield-shaped figures alternately azure & argent. [F, f. L as *VARIEUS*]

Valeya (vi'sya), n. (Member of) the third of the four great Hindu castes, comprising the merchants and agriculturists. [Skr. *vaiśya* peasant]

vakeel', -il (-ēl), n. (E.-Ind.). Ambassador, commissioner, residing at a court; native attorney or deputy. [Hind. (-il)]

vail'ance, **vail'ence**¹, n. Kind of damask used for furniture; short curtain round frame or canopy of bedstead. Hence **vail'anced**² (-st) a. [perh. f. AF *valer* descend f. Ol' *avaler* see *AVAILANCE*]

vale¹, n. Valley (now chiefly poet. or in names as *V ~ of the White Horse*); a small trough or channel carrying off water from pump etc. [f. OF *val* f. L *vallis*]

vail'è², int. & n. Farewell. [L, imperat. of *valere* be well, be strong]

valedic'tion, n. (Words used in) bidding farewell. So ~ *ORY* a., (also, as n., *farewell oration delivered by senior scholar on graduation etc.). [f. L *VALE* (*dicere* dict- say) bid farewell, see -ION]

valence¹. See **VALANCE**.

vail'ence², n. (chem.). Combining or replacing power of an atom as compared with standard hydrogen atom, as *hydrogen, carbon, has a ~ of one, four*. [f. LL *valentia* strength (as *VALE*², see -ENCE)]

Valén'cia (-sha), n. Province of Spain; (usu. pl.) mixed fabric with wool worst and silk, cotton, or linen warp, usu. striped; (pl.) ~ *almonds or raisins*.

Valenciennes' (-sénz, & see Ap.), n. Rich kind of lace. (~, in France)

vail'enc'y, n. (chem.). Unit of combining capacity, as *carbon has 4 ~ies*; = **VALENCE**². [-ENCY]

vail'entine, n. *St V ~'s day*, day on which St V ~ was beheaded & on which birds were supposed to pair, Feb. 14; sweet-heart chosen on this; amatory or satirical letter or picture sent to person of opposite sex on St V ~'s day. [f. L *Valentinus*, proper name]

vail'er'ian, n. Kinds of plant, esp. *common* ~, herb with small pink or white flowers & strong odour esteemed by cats & rats; root of this used as mild stimulant etc., whence *vail'erian* (s) n., *vail'eris* a., (chem.). [f. OF *ulmaria*, etym. dub.]

vail'et (or -il), n., & v.t. 1. (Also ~ *de chambre*, pr. *vail'è de shah'h*) manservant who attends on man's person; ~ *de place* (*vail'è de place*), courier esp. in France. 2. v.t. Act as ~ to. [(vb f. n.) OF, var. of **VALEET**]

vail'etudin'ian, a. & n. 1. Of infirm health; seeking to recover health; unduly solicitous about health. 2. n. ~ *person*. Hence or cogn. ~ *ISM* n., **vail'etidin'ian**¹ a. & n. [f. L *valetudinarius* (*valetudo* -dinis health f. *valere* be well, see -TUDO & -ARY¹)]

Vail'häll'a, n. (Norse Myth.) palace in which souls of slain heroes feasted; building used as final resting-place of the illustrious, or containing their statues etc. [f. ON *valhäll*, hall of the slain (*vair* slain + *holl* hall)]

vail'iant (-ya-), a. (Of person or conduct) brave, courageous. Hence ~ *LY*² adv. [f. OF *valliant* part. of *valoir* be worth f. L *valere* be strong]

vail'id, a. (Of reason, objection, argument, etc.) sound, defensible, well-grounded; (Law) sound & sufficient, executed with proper formalities, as ~ *contract, the marriage was held to be ~*. Hence or cogn. **valid'ITY** n., ~ *LY*² adv. [f. F *valide* f. L *validus* strong (as *prec.*, see -ID¹)]

vail'idiate, v.t. Make valid, ratify, confirm. So ~ *ATION* n. [f. med. L *validare* (as *prec.*), see -ATE²]

valise' (-ès), n. Kind of small portmanteau; (Mil.) soldier's kitbag. [F, cf. mod. L *valisia*, etym. dub.]

vail'kyr (-ör), **vail'ky'ria**, -ie, n. (Norse myth.; pl. -*kyrs*, -*kyries*). Each of Odin's handmaidens who selected those destined to be slain in battle. Hence **vail'ky'rian** a. [f. ON *valkyrja* lit. chooser of slain (*vair* slain + -*kyrja* chooser cogn. w. *kjósa* choose)]

vail'léc'ül'a, n. (anat., bot.; pl. ~ *ae*). Groove, furrow. Hence ~ *AR*¹, ~ *ATE*², a. [LL, dim. of L *vallis* vale]

vail'ey, n. (pl. ~s). Low area more or less enclosed by hills & usu. with stream flowing through it; any depression compared to this; ~ *of the shadow of death*, (period of) extreme affliction (*Ps.* xxiii. 4); (Archit.) internal angle formed by intersecting planes of roof. [f. OF *vales* (as *VALE*¹, cf. -ADE)]

val(l)ön'ia, n. Acorn-cups of the ~ *oak*, used in tanning, dyeing, & making ink. [f. It. *vallonia* ult. f. Gk *balanos* acorn]

vail'um, n. (Rom. ant.). Rampart. [L] **vail'oriz**, v.t. Raise or stabilize the value of (a commodity etc.) by government action. Hence ~ *ATION* n. [f. L *valor* worth + -IZE (3)]

vail'eur (-lor), n. (new chiefly poet., rhet., or joc.). Personal courage esp. as shown in fighting, prowess. So **vail'orous** a., **vail'orously**¹ adv. [OF, f. LL *valerius* worth, courage (*valere* be strong, see -OR²)]

valise (vahl), *n.* **Waltz**; ~ **d** **DEUX-TEMPS**, waltz with two beats (instead of three) in a bar, each divided into three smaller beats. [F, f. G as **WALTZ**]

vál'uable, *a.* & *n.* 1. Of great value or price or worth, as ~ **property**, **land**, **furniture**, **information**, **assistance**; capable of valuation, as a **service** not ~ in **money**. 2. *n.* (usu. in pl.). ~ thing(s), esp. small article(s) of personal property, as **sent** **all** **her** ~s **to** **the** **bank**. [f. **VALUE** + **-ABLE**]

vál'uation, *n.* Estimation (esp. by professional valuer) of a thing's worth, worth so estimated, price set on a thing, as ~ of **land**, **disposed** of **at** **a** **low** ~, **sets** **too** **high** **a** ~ **on** **his** **abilities**. [OF, as foll. **vb** + **-ATION**]

vál'úe, *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Worth, desirability, utility, qualities on which these depend, as **now** **learn** **the** ~ of **fresh** **water**, **a** **friend**, **quintine**, **accuracy**, **regular** **exercise**; worth as estimated, valuation, as **sets** **a** **high** ~ **on** **his** **time**; **commercial**, **economic**, **exchange**(able) ~, ~ in **exchange**, **purchasing** **power**, **power** of a commodity to purchase others, amount of (pop.) **money** or (Pol. Econ.) other commodities for which thing can be exchanged in open market; **FACTOR**, **SURRENDER**, ~; **surplus** ~, surplus production of labour after subsistence of labourer & family; the equivalent of a thing, what represents or is represented by or may be substituted for a thing, as ~ **received** (see **HILL** of **exchange**), **got** **good** ~ **for** (something well worth) **his** **money**, **paid** **him** **the** ~ of **his** **lost** **property**, **the** **precise** ~ (meaning) of a word, **acute** **accent** **has** **not** **always** **the** **same** ~, **give** **the** **note** (in music) **its** **full** **time** ~ (the full time indicated by it); (Paint.) relation of one part of picture to others in respect of light & shade, as **out** of ~, too light or dark; amount, quantity, denoted by algebraical term or expression; (Biol.) rank in classification. 2. *v.t.* Estimate the ~ of, appraise (professionally, whence **vál'úer** *n.*, or otherwise), as **should** ~ **the** **whole** **at** **£2000**; have high or specified opinion of, attach importance to, prize, esteem, appreciate, pride oneself on, as ~ **sincerity** (beyond all things), **a** ~ **friend**, ~ **himself** **on** **his** **conversational** **powers**, **do** **not** ~ **that** **a** **brass** **farthing**. [(vb f. n.) OF, fem. p.p. of **valoir** be worth f. L **valere** be strong]

vál'úeless (-úil), *a.* Worthless. Hence ~ **NESS** *n.* [-LESS]

vál've, *n.* Kinds of automatic or other device for controlling passage of liquid or gas or the like through pipe etc., as **clock**, **rotary**, **screw**, **sliding**, **throttle**, ~, **key** ~ (of organ, flute, etc.), **SAFETY** ~, **thermonic** ~; (Anat., Zool.) membranous part of organ etc. allowing flow of blood etc. in one direction & not in another, as ~s of **the** **heart**, **veins**, **pulmonary** ~, whence **vál'vúler** *m.* [-vá-] *n.*;

(Conch.) each of two or more separable pieces of which shell consists, whole shell in one piece; (Bot.) each of the segments into which a capsule dehiscence, each half of an anther after its opening; (now rare) leaf of folding door; || ~ **set**, wireless receiver with thermionic ~s (opp. **crystal** **set**). Hence or cogn. **vál'VAL** (bot.), **vál'VAR**, **vál'VATE** (anat., bot.), (-) **vál'VED** (-vd), ~ **LESS** (-vl-), **vál'vÉROUS**, **vál'vÍFORM**, **vál'vÚLAR** [-úil-], **aa.**, ~ **LET** (-vl-), **vál'VULE** (anat., bot.), **nn.** [F, f. L **valva** leaf of folding door]

vám'bráce, *n.* (hist.). Armour for forearm. [AF **vant-bras** (avant before, see **ADVANCE** + **bras** arm f. L **brachium**)]

***vámóse**, -**óse**(e), *v.i.* & *t.* (sl.). Begone, decamp; decamp from (place). [f. Sp. **vamos** let us go]

vámp, *n.*, & *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Upper front part of boot or shoe; patch designed to make old thing look new; improvised accompaniment. 2. *vb.* Put new ~ to (boot, shoe); repair, furnish usu. up; make up (literary article etc.) out of odds & ends; improvise accompaniment to, improvise accompaniments. Hence ~ **ER** *n.* [(vb f. n.) ME **vauampe** f. MF **avant-pied** (avant before, see **ADVANCE** + **pied** foot f. L **pedem** nom. **pes**)]

vámp, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *i.* (colloq.). 1. Adventuress, woman who exploits men; unscrupulous flirt. 2. *vb.* Allure, exploit; act as ~. [abbr. of foll.]

vám'píre, *n.* Ghost (usu. of wizard, heretic, criminal, etc.) that leaves grave at night & sucks blood of sleeping persons; person who preys on others; = **prec.** *n.*; (in full ~ **bat**) kinds of bat, some of which suck blood of horses, cattle, & sleeping persons; (Theatr.) small spring trap of two flaps used for sudden (dis)appearances of one person. Hence **vámp'íric** *a.* [F, f. Magyar **vampir** perh. of Turk. orig.]

vám'pířism, *n.* Belief in existence of vampires; blood-sucking (lit. & fig.). [-ISM]

vám'pláte, *n.* (hist.). Iron plate protecting hand when lance was couched. [f. AF **vant** (as **VAMBRACE**) + **PLATE**]

|| **ván**, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-nn-). 1. (Arch.) winnowing-machine; (arch., poet.) wing. 2. *v.t.* Test quality of (ore) by washing on shovel or by machine, whence ~ **ER** (1, 2) *n.*; (n.) such test. [var. of **FAN**]

ván, *n.* Foremost division of army on the march or of fleet when sailing; front of army in line of battle; (fig.) leaders of a movement etc., as in the ~ of **civilization**; ~ **guard**, detachment of army marching in front to guard against surprise (also fig.). [abbr. of **vanguard**, f. OF **avant-ward**, **garde** (avant before, see **ADVANCE** + **WARD**, **GUARD**)]

ván, *n.*, & *v.t.* (-nn-). Large usu. covered vehicle for conveying furniture or other goods; || railway carriage for lu

(luggage ~) or for use of guard (*guard's* ~); (vb) convey in ~. (abbr. of *CARAVAN*, cf. *bus*, *wig*)

vanad'ium, n. Hard grey metallic element used in small quantities for strengthening some steels. Hence *van'ad-ATN*³(3) n., *vanad'ic*, *van'adous*, aa., (chem.). [f. ON *Vanadis* goddess in Scand. myth., + -IUM]

Van'dal, a. & n. (Member) of a Germanic race that ravaged Gaul, Spain, N. Africa, & Rome, destroying many books & works of art; (fig., also v~) wilful or ignorant destroyer of works of art etc., whence ~ISM(2). v-, n. Hence *Vandál'ic*, v-, a. [f. L *Vandalus* of Teut. orig.]

vandýke, n., a., & v.t. 1. (V~; prop. *Van Dyck*) Flemish painter d. 1641, picture by him; each of a series of large points forming a border to lace, cloth, etc., (also V~ *cape*, *collar*) *cape*, *collar*, with ~s. 2. adj. (usu. V~). In the style of dress, esp. with pointed borders, common in V~'s portraits; V~ (pointed) *beard*; V~ *brown*, deep rich brown. 3. v.t. Cut (cloth etc.) in ~s.

vâne, n. Weathercock; similar device exposed to current of water etc. as in water-meter; (also *dog*~) cone or other device used on shipboard as weathercock; blade of windmill, screw propeller, etc.; sight of surveying instruments, sight of quadrant etc. Hence *vāned*² (-nd), ~LESS, aa. [OE *fana* small flag, cf. *Da fane*, *G fahne*]

vāng, n. (naut.). Each of two guy-ropes running from end of gaff to deck. [var. of *FANG*²]

|| **vān'gee** (-jê), n. Contrivance for working ship's pumps by barrel & crank-brakes. [?]

vanill'a, n. Kinds of tall orchid with fragrant flowers; (also ~a-*bean*) fruit of this; extract obtained from ~a-bean & used for flavouring ices, chocolate, etc. Hence ~ATN³(3) n., ~IC a., (chem.). [f. Sp. *vainilla* pod dim. of *vaina* sheath, pod, f. *VAGINA*]

vanill'ism, n. Eruptive itching skin-disease common among workers in vanilla. [-ISM(5)]

van'ish, v.i., & n. 1. Disappears suddenly; disappears gradually, fade away; pass away; cease to exist; (Math.) become zero (~ing *fraction*, one that becomes zero for a particular value of the variable it contains); (Perspect.) ~ing-*point*, point in which all parallel lines in same plane tend to meet, ~ing-*line*, that which represents the line at infinity in which given plane cuts all parallel planes; ~ing *cream*, emollient that leaves no trace when rubbed into the skin. 2. n. (phonet.). Slight sound with which a principal sound ends (e.g. *ô*, *l*, at end f. OF as *EVANESCE*)

, unsubstantiality, un-

reality, emptiness, the ~ of a real thing, as the ~ of a political distinction, of ~s, *these things are ~ or ~*

~, *pomps & ~ of this wicked* Fair, the world (allegorized in *Progress*) as a scene of ~; empty conceit, based on personal attainments or attractions or qualities (~ *bag*, *case*, carried on the person & containing small mirror, powder-puff, etc.); ostentatious display; (O.T.) heathen deity, as the *vanities of the Gentiles*. [f. OF *vanite*, f. L *vanitatem* (as *VAIN*, see -TY)]

vān'quish, v.t. Conquer, overcome, (lit. & fig.; now chiefly rhet.). Hence ~ABLE a., ~ER¹ n. [f. OF *vincere* (past *veingue*, see -ISH²) f. L *vincere*]

va'ntage (vah-), n. = ADVANTAGE (now chiefly in tennis use & in ~ground, ORIG of ~). [AF var.]

vāp'id, a. Insipid, flat, as ~ beer, conversation, moralizings. Hence *vapid'ity*, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *vapidus*]

vāp'orize, v.t. & i. Convert, be converted, into vapour. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE¹ITY, ~IZA'TION, ~IZMR¹(2), nn., ~(iz)ABLE aa. [-IZE]

vāp'our (-per), n., & v.i. 1. Moisture in the air e.g. mist, (loosely) light cloudy substance e.g. smoke, (Physics) gaseous form of a normally liquid or solid substance (of GAS), whence *vāporiz'EROUS*, *vāporiz'ic*, *vāp'oriform*, aa., *vāpori-m'ETER* n.; (Med.) kinds of remedial agent to be inhaled, as ~ of iodine; unsubstantial thing, vain imagination; (arch.) empty boasting; || (pl., arch.) depression, spleen, hypochondria, whence ~ISH¹ (-per-) a., ~ishNESS n.; ~ *bath* (also *vāporan'ium* n.), bath in ~ or steam, apparatus or apartment for this; ~burner, apparatus for vaporizing a hydrocarbon for lighting or heating purposes; ~engine (driven by steam or other elastic fluid). Hence or cogn. *vāp'orous*¹, *vāp'orous*, ~Y² (-per-), aa., *vāporōs'ity*, *vāp'orousness*, nn., *vāp'orously*² adv. 2. v.i. Emit ~; utter idle boasts or empty talk, whence ~ER¹ (-per-) n. (N.) AF, f. L *vaporem* nom. -or; (vb) f. L *vaporare* steam, reek]

vāpūl'ation, n. (rare). Flogging. So *vāpūl'atory* a. [f. L *vapulatio* be flogged + -ATION]

vāquē's (-kâ-), n. (pl. ~s). Mex. or U.-S. herdman. [Sp., f. med. L *vaccarius* (vaccu cow, -ARY²)]

Varān'gian (-j-), n. Norse rover, esp. of those who ravaged Baltic coasts about 9th c.; ~guard, bodyguard of Byzantine emperors formed partly of ~s. [f. med. L *Varangus* f. ON *Væringr* lit. confederate (odorous oaths)]

vā'réc, n. Seaweed; kelp. [f. F *varéc* prob. as *WABEK*]

vā'viable, a. & a. 1. That can be varied

vaies /-
of adapted, as rod of ~ length, the pressure is ~, a word of ~ construction, ~ gear (designed to give varying speeds, e.g. slow advance & quick return); apt to vary, not constant, fickle, unsteady, as ~ wind, mood, temper, fortune; (Astron., of stars) periodically varying in brightness or magnitude; (Math., of quantity) indeterminate, able to assume different numerical values; (Bot., Zool., of species) including individuals or groups that depart from the type; (Biol., of organism) tending to change in structure or function. Hence **variability**, ~NESS, nn., **var'ia-bly**² adv. **2.** n. ~ thing esp. quantity; (Naut.) shifting wind, (pl.) region between NE & SE trade-winds. [OF, f. L. *variabilis* (VARY, -BLE)]

var'ia léc'it, n. Variant reading. [L]

var'iance, n. Disagreement, difference of opinion, dispute, lack of harmony, as on that point we are at ~ (among ourselves), at ~ with the authorities, have had a slight ~ with him, this theory is at ~ with all that is known on the subject; (Law) discrepancy between pleadings & proof or between writ & declaration. [OF, f. L. *variantia* difference (as foll., see -ANCE)]

var'iant, a. & n. **1.** Differing in form or in details from the one named or considered, differing thus among themselves, as a ~ reading in some MSS., 40 ~ types of pigeon; variable, changing. **2.** n. ~ form, spelling, type, reading, etc., as valet is a ~ of varlet, difficult to choose between these ~s. [OF (as VARY, see -ANT)]

vari'ation, n. Varying, departure from a former or normal condition or action or amount or from a standard or type, extent of this, as is not liable to ~, repeated ~s of temperature, is subject to a ~ of several degrees, estimates the ~ in value at 20 per cent; (Gram.) inflexion; (Astron.) deviation of heavenly body from mean orbit or motion (*periodic*, *secular*, ~, compensated in short, in very long, period); (of magnetic needle) = **DECLINATION** (~chart, with lines drawn through places that have same ~); (Biol.) structural or functional deviation from type; (Alg.) (theory of) relation between quantities that VARY as each other; thing that varies from a type, as the season is a ~ of or on the ordinary tamber trimeter, esp. (Mus.) tune or theme repeated in a changed or elaborated form. Hence ~AL (-sho-) a. [OF, f. L. *variationem* (VARY, -TION)]

var'icàted, a. (conch.). Having varices. So **var'ication** n. [f. VARIX, see -ATE²]

var'icell'a, n. = **ORICLEN-pox**. Hence **var'icell'**, ~OFF, aa. [mod. L, irreg. dim. of **VARICOLA**]

var'icocèle, n. Tumour composed of varicose veins of spermatic cord. [as **VARICUS** + **CÈLE**]

var'icostoured (-kùrd), a. Variegated in

colour; of various or different colours. [as **VARIOUS**]

var'icôs'e, a. Of, affected with, designed for cure of, varix, as ~e ulcer, vein, bandage, whence ~ED¹ (-st) a., **var'icôs'ity** n.; = **VARICATED**. [f. L. *varicosus* (VAREX, see -OSE¹)]

var'iegâte, v.t. Diversify in colour, mark with irregular patches of different colours (chiefly in p.p., esp. Bot. of leaves partly pale from suppression of chlorophyll or of plants with such leaves, as ~ated geranium). Hence ~ATION n. [f. L. *variegare* (as **VARIOUS** + *agere* drive, make, cause), see -ATE²]

vari'ety, n. **1.** Being various, diversity, absence of monotony or uniformity, many-sidedness, as was struck by the ~ of his attainments, of his conversation, of the scene, London has for me the charm of ~, cannot live without ~. **2.** Collection of different things, as turned over a ~ of silks, for a ~ of reasons; ~ entertainment or show (consisting of dances, songs, acrobatic feats, etc.), ~ theatre (for ~ shows etc.). **3.** (Specimen, member, of a) class of things differing in some common qualities from the rest of a larger class to which they belong. **4.** (biol.) Individual or group usually fertile with any other member of the species to which it belongs but differing from the type in some qualities capable of perpetuation, sub-species, as climatic ~ (produced by climatic influences), geographical ~ (confined to given area), whence **vari'etal** a., **vari'etally**² adv. [f. L. *varietatem* (as **VARIOUS**, see -TY)]

var'iform, a. Having various forms. [-FORM]

vari'ol'a, n. Smallpox. Hence ~AR¹, **vari'ol'ic**, ~OUS, aa. [med. L, as **VARIOUS**]

vari'olâ'tion, n. Inoculation with smallpox virus. [f. prec. + -ATION]

var'iolê, n. (sool., bot.). Shallow pit like smallpox mark. Hence ~OLATE², ~OLâted, aa. [f. med. L. **VARIOLA**]

var'iol'ite, n. Rock with concretionary structure causing on surface an appearance like smallpox pustules. Hence ~IT'ic a. [as prec. + -ITE²]

var'ioloid, a. & n. **1.** Like smallpox. **2.** n. Mild form of smallpox esp. as modified by previous inoculation. [as prec. + -OID]

vari'om'eter, n. (electr.). Device for varying the inductance in an electric circuit. [as **VARIOUS** + -METER]

vari'orm, a. & n. **1.** With notes of various commentators, as a ~ (edition) of Horace. **2.** n. A ~ edition. [L, gen. pl. as **VARIOUS**]

var'ious, a. Different, diverse, as the modes of procedure were ~, types so ~ as to defy classification; separate, several, more than one, as came across ~ people, for ~ reasons; (vulg., abs. or quasi-pros.) several, as among the letters are ~ ancient meter-

driving, this is denied by ~, ~ have assured me. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. (rare). [f. L *varius* + *-ous*]

vár'ix, n. (pl. *vá'ricés*). (Path.) permanent abnormal dilatation of vein or other vessel, vein etc. thus dilated; (Conch.) each of the ridges across the whorls of a univalve shell. [L]

vári'et, n. (Hist.) medieval page preparing to be a squire; (arch., esp. joc.) mental, low fellow, rascal. [OF, earlier *vaslet*, prob. dim. as *VASSAL*]

várm'int, n. (vulg., joc.). Mischievous or discreditable person or animal; (Hunt. sl.) the fox. [corrupt. of *VERMIN*]

várn'ish, n., & v.t. 1. Kinds of resinous solution applied to wood, metal, etc., to give hard shiny transparent surface; glaze on pottery etc.; artificial or natural glossiness; superficial polish of manner; favourable appearance given to misconduct etc., palliation, whitewash; ~tree, kinds from which ~ is obtained. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to (wood, picture, etc.), fig. character, person, action, account, or abs.; ~ing-day, day before exhibition of pictures on which exhibitors may retouch or ~ their pictures already hung. [(v) f. F *vernir*, see -ISH¹, earlier *verniser*] f. OF *vernais* etym. dub.]

|| **várs'al**, a. (colloq., now rare). = *UNIVERSAL*. [corrupt.]

várs'itý, n. (colloq.). University (often attrib., as the ~ boat). [corrupt.]

várs'ovienne (-v'ýén), n. (Musicor) dance resembling mazurka. [F, = (dance) of Warsaw (*Varsovie*)]

vár'us¹, n. Deformity involving inward bending of distal part of limb; bandy-legged person. [L. = bent]

vár'us², n. = *ACNE*. [L]

vár'ý, v.t. & i. Change, make different, modify, diversify, as can ~y the (direction, amount, etc.), of pressure at will, seldom ~ies the routine, ~ies the treatment according to circumstances, never ~ies his style, style is not sufficiently ~ied, a ~ied scene; (Mus.) make VARIATIONS of (theme); suffer change, be(come) different in degree or quality, be of different kinds, as he, his mood, ~ies from day to day, climate ~ies, tried with ~ying success, ~ies from the type, opinions ~y on this point; ~y (directly) as, ~y inversely as, increase, decrease, in proportion or correspondingly to the increase of, as attraction of bodies ~ies (directly) as their masses & inversely as the square of their distances, A ~ies as (symbol ω) B, A ~ies as B & C jointly (as their product). [f. L *variare* (as *VARIOS*)]

vás, n. (anat.; pl. *vás'a*). Vessel, duct, as ~ difference, excretory duct of testicle. Hence **vás'al** a. [L. = vessel]

vás'culár, a. Of, made up of, containing, vessels or ducts for conveying blood, esp. etc., as ~ functions, tissue, ~ (circulatory)

Hence ~ITY (-á'tr), ~ISA'TION, nn., ~ISE(3) v.t., ~LY² adv. [f. *VASCULUM* + *-ar¹*]

vás'culóse, n. & a. Chief substance of vessels of plants; (adj.) = prec. [foli., -ose² i]

vás'culum, n. (pl. -la). Botanist's (usu. tin) collecting-case; (Anat.) small vessel, penis. [L, dim. of *VAS*]

vase (vahz; arch. *vawz*, arch. & U.S. *vás*, -s), n. Vessel of baked clay or other material used for various purposes but primarily ornamental, as flower-~; large usu. sculptured vessel of marble etc. used to decorate gate-post etc.; ~painting, decoration of ~s with pigments esp. among ancient Greeks, instance of this. Hence ~FUL n. [F, f. L *VAS*]

vás'eline, n. Unctuous substance got from petroleum & used in ointments etc. [P; irreg. f. G *wasser* water + Gk *elaim* oil + *-ine¹*]

vási-, **váso-**, in comb. = *VAS*, as: *vas'i-form*, tubular; *vasoconstrictor*, -dilator, -motor, aa. & nn., (nerve, drug) causing constriction, dilatation, either, of blood-vessels; *vasosen'sory*, supplying sensation to vessels.

vás's'al, n. (Hist.) holder of land by feudal tenure (*great, rear*, ~, holding directly from king, holding from great ~); (rhet.) slave, humble dependant. [OF, f. med. L *vassallus*, *vassus*, cf. Breton *goaz*, servant, W & Corn. *guas*, OIr. *foss*]

vás's'alage, n. (Hist.) condition, obligations, service, of a vassal; servitude, dependence; fief; (rare; also ~RY n.) vassals collectively. [f. OF *vasselage* (prec., see -AGE)]

vast (vah-), a. & n. 1. Immense, huge, very great, as a ~ expanse of water, ~ plains, shook his ~ frame, a ~ multitude, scheme; (colloq.) gave him ~ satisfaction, makes a ~ difference. Hence ~LY² adv. (esp. colloq.), ~NESS n. 2. n. (poet., rhet.) ~ space, as the ~ of ocean, of heaven. [f. F *vaste* f. L *vastus* empty, waste, huge]

vát, n., & v.t. (-tt-). 1. Large tub, cistern, or other vessel, esp. for holding liquids or holding something in liquid in process of manufacture, as fermenting, tan, ~, whence ~FUL n. 2. v.t. Place, treat, in ~. [earlier *fat*; OE *fat*, cf. Du. *vat*, G *fass*, ON *fat*, cogn. w. M.Du. *vatten*, G *fassen*, seize, contain]

Vát'icán, n. Palace & official residence of Pope on ~ hill in Rome; (fig.) papal government; ~ Council, oecumenical council held 1962-70 & proclaiming infallibility of Pope when speaking ex cathedra, whence ~ISM(3), ~ISM(2), nn. [f. L *Vaticanus* ~ hill]

vát'icín'áste, v.t. Prophecy (often abs.). Se ~'men, -áton'z. [f. L *vaticinari* (vates prophet + *cavere* sing.), -áza¹]

vaude'ville (vódv-), n. || Slight dramatic

interspersed with songs &c.

variety entertainment; French popular e.g. topical song with refrain; (Hist.) convivial song esp. any of those composed by O. Basselin, poet born at Van de Vire in Normandy, d. 1418. Hence ~IST(S) n. [F. f. *Vau* or *Val de Vire* Valley of the Vire]

Vaudois¹ (vôdwah'), a. & n. (pl. same). (Inhabitants, dialect) of Vaud in Switzerland. [F. (*Vaud* + -ois -ESE)]

Vaudois² (vôdwah'), a. & n. (pl. same). (Member) of the Waldenses. [F. as WAL-DENSEN]

vaudoos. See VOODOO.

vault¹, n., & v. t. 1. (Archit.) arched roof, continuous arch, set or series of arches whose joints radiate from central point or line; ~like covering; as *the ~ of heaven*; arched apartment; arched or other cellar or subterranean chamber as place of storage (*wine~* etc.), of interment beneath church or in cemetery (*family ~*), etc.; (Anat.) arched roof of a cavity. 2. v. t. Make in form of, furnish with, ~ or ~s (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~ING¹(G) n. [(vb f. n.) ME *voute*, f. OF *voute*, *volle*, vault, turn, fem. adj. as n. f. L. *volutus* p.p. of *volvare* roll]

vault², v. i. & t., & n. 1. Leap, spring, esp. while resting on the hand(s) or with help of pole, as ~ *over the gate, from the saddle, upon a horse*; spring over (gate etc.) thus; ~ing-horse, wooden horse for practice in ~ing. Hence ~ER¹ n. 2. n. Leap so performed. [(n. f. vb) f. OF *voller* leap, w. assini. to prec.]

vaunt, v. i. & t., & n. 1. Boast, brag; boast of. 2. n. Boast. Hence or cogn. ~ER¹ n., ~INGLY¹ adv. [f. F. *vanter* f. pop. L. *vanitare* (as VANITY)]

vaunt²courier (-kôb-), n. = AVANT-COURIER.

vâv'asôry, n. (hist.). Tenure, lands, of a vavasour. [-Y¹]

vâv'asour (-ôr, -er, -oor), n. (hist.). Vassal holding of a great lord & having other vassals under him. [f. OF *vavassour* f. med. L. *vassus vassorum* VASSAL of vassals]

ve, colloq. abbr. of *have* appended to I, we, you, they, & who (I've etc.).

veal, n. Flesh of calf as food, as ~ *cudlet*. Hence ~Y¹a., like ~, (colloq.) immature. [f. OF *veâl* f. L. *vitellus* dim. of *vitulus* calf]

vêctor, n. (In quaternions etc.) line conceived to have fixed length & direction but no fixed position, quantity determining position of one point in space relative to another (~ *quantity*, one that may be represented by a ~); carrier of disease or infection; RADIIUS ~. Hence VÊCTORIAL a. [L. ~carrier (where vect- convey, see -OR²)]

Ve'da (vâ-), n. (Also in pl.) ancient Hindu scriptures written in old form of Sanskrit (*Rig, Sama, Yajur, Atharva*; ~, four collections of hymns etc. composing the ~). Hence Ve'dic (vâ-) a. [Skr., lit. knowledge]

Vedânta (vâ-), n. Hindu philosophy

founded on the Veda. Hence ~IC a., ~IST(S) n. [Skr. (*veda* + *anta* end)]

Vêdd'a, n. Member of primitive race living in the Ceylon forests. [Sinhalese, = hunter]

vêdette, vi-, n. Mounted sentry placed in advance of an outpost. [F. (ve-), f. It. *vedella* prob. f. *vedere* see f. L. *videre*]

veer, v. i. & t. Change direction esp. (of wind, cf. BACK²) sunwise; (fig.) change one's mind, turn round in opinion or conduct or language; (Naut.) slacken, let out, as ~ *away, out, the cable*; = WEAR²; ~ & haul, tighten & slacken (rope etc.); alternately, (of wind) change alternately, (fig.) vacillate in opinion etc. Hence ~INGLY¹ adv. [partly f. F. *vire* to turn, etym. dub.; partly f. M Du. *vieren* let out] **ve'ga**¹ (vâ-), n. Low moist tract in Spain or Cuba; Cuban tobacco-field. [Sp., etym. dub.]

Vêg'a, n. The brightest star in the constellation Lyra. [med. L. f. Arab. *wdqis* falling]

vê'gétable, a. & n. 1. Of (the nature of), derived from, concerned with, comprising, plants, as ~ *colic* (caused by use of unripe fruit), IVORY, jelly (= PROTEIN), KINGDOM, MARROW, naphtha, oyster (= SALISIFY), physiology, SPONGE¹. Hence VÊGÉTABILITY n. 2. n. Plant, esp. herbaceous plant used for culinary purposes or for feeding cattle, e.g. cabbage, potato, turnip, bean, (often attrib., as ~ *diet, soup*). [f. L. *vegetabilis* animating (as VEGETATE, see -BLE)]

vê'gétal, a. & n. 1. Of (the nature of) plants, so ~o- comb. form; common to animals & plants, as *the ~al functions* (of growth, circulation, generation, etc.). 2. n. Plant, vegetable. Hence ~ALLY¹ n. [f. L. *vegetare* VEGETATE + -AL]

vêgétâr ian, n. One who uses or advocates a diet of vegetable food (usu. with addition of milk, eggs, etc.) to the exclusion of meat (often attrib., as ~ *food, diet, principles, craze*). Hence ~ISM n. [-ARIAN]

vê'gétâtje, v. i. Grow as plants do, fulfil vegetable functions; (fig.) live an idle or monotonous life. So ~IVE a., ~IVERLY¹ adv., ~IVENESS n. [f. L. *vegetare* enliven (*vegetus* lively f. *vegere* move, quicken), see -ATE¹]

vêgétât'ion, n. Vegetating (lit. & fig.); plants collectively, plant life, as *hazuriant ~*, no sign of ~ for miles round; (Path.) excrecence of surface of body. [f. med. L. *vegetationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

vê'hement (vêm-), a. Showing or caused by strong feeling, impetuous, ardent, passionate, as a ~ *desire, protest, man* of ~ *character*; acting with great force, violent, as a ~ *wind, onset*. Hence or cogn. VÊ'HEMENTLY (vêm-) a., ~LY¹ adv.; [OF. f. L. *vehementem*, nom. -as, path. f. separt from + -mens -mê mind]

ve'hicle (vêl-), *n.* Carriage, conveyance, of any kind used on land; liquid etc. used as a medium for pigments, drugs, etc.; thing, person, used as a medium for thought or feeling or action, as *used the pulpit, the press*, as a ~ for his political opinions, will not be used as the ~ of your resentment. So **vehîc'ûlâ**¹ *a.* [f. L *vehiculum* (*vehere* carry, see -CULE)]

vehmgericht (fâm'gerîçt), *n.* German system of irregular tribunals prevailing esp. in Westphalia in 14th & 15th cc. & trying the more serious crimes in secret night sessions; such tribunal. Hence **veh'mîc** (fâm-) *a.* [G, also *f.*, *f. feme* punishment, tribunal, + *gericht* judgement, law]

veil (vâl), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Piece of usu. more or less transparent material attached to woman's bonnet or hat or otherwise forming part of head-dress, esp. one serving to conceal the face or as protection against sun, dust, etc., as *raised, dropped, her ~* (so as to uncover, cover, face), *took the ~*, became nun; curtain (*the ~ of the temple*; *beyond the ~*, in the unknown state of after death); (fig.) disguise, pretext, as *under the ~ of religion*; *draw a ~ over*, avoid discussing or calling attention to; *scarf on pastoral staff*; (Bot., Zool.) = **VELUM**; slight huskiness of voice, natural or due to a cold etc. Hence ~'ING(S) *n.*, ~'LESS *a.* 2. *v.t.* Cover (one's face, oneself, or abs. in same sense) with ~; (fig.) conceal, disguise, mask, as ~ed resentment. [vb f. n., AF *veile* (OF *voile*) f. L *vela* pl. of **VELUM**]

vein (vân), *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Each of the membranous tubes that convey blood to the heart (cf. *ARTERY*; *pulmonary ~s*, returning oxygenated blood from lungs to left side, *systemic ~s*, returning venous blood from all parts to right side); (pop.) any blood-vessel; (Entom., Bot.) rib of insect's wing or of leaf; (Geol., Mining) fissure in rock filled with deposited matter (~stone, = **GANGUE**); streak, stripe, of different colour in wood, marble, etc.; distinctive character or tendency, cast of mind or disposition, mood, as *was of an imaginative ~*, *said in a humorous ~*, *other remarks in the same ~*, *am in the ~ for high play*, *am not in (the) ~ just now*. Hence ~'LESS, ~'LIKE, ~'Y², *aa.*, ~'LET *n.* 2. *v.t.* Fill or cover (as) with ~ or ~s (esp. in p.p.). Hence ~'ING(1), ~'ING²(6), *nn.* [(vb f. n.) f. OF *veine* f. L *vena*]

velâm'een (pl. -mîna), *velâm'een'fânn* (pl. -fâ), *nn.* Enveloping membrane esp. of brain. [L. = covering (*velare* f. **VELUX**, -XEN, -XENT)]

vel'ar, *a.* Of a veil or velum, as ~ *gutturals*, sounds produced by aid of soft palate (e.g. gw, kw). [f. L *velaris* (**VELUM**, see -AR²)]

veld (vêlt), *n.* S. Afr. open country neither cultivated nor true forest. [Du., = **VELD**]

velîl'tîon, *n.* (arch.). Slight skirmish, controversy. [f. L *velitatio* (*velitari* skirmish, as foll., see -ATION)]

vel'ite, *n.* (Rom. ant.). Light-armed soldier. [f. L *velites -itis*]

vellé'itý, *n.* Low degree of volition not prompting to action. [f. med. L *velletus* (L *velle* vb wish, see -TY)]

vell'icâte, *v.t.* & *i.* (rare). Twitch. Hence or cogn. ~'ATION *n.*, ~'ATIVE *a.* [f. L *vellicare* (*vellere* pluck, see -ATE²)]

vell'um, *n.* Fine parchment orig. from skin of calf; manuscript written on this; ~ *paper* (imitating ~). Hence ~'Y² *a.* [f. OF *velin* (VEAL, -IN²)]

velô'ce (-ôhâ), *adv.* (mus.). With great rapidity. [It.]

velô'cipede, *n.* Kinds of light vehicle impelled by rider (now chiefly hist. of obs. types e.g. hobby, also as general term = **CYCLE**). Hence ~'IST(3) *n.* [f. F *vélocipède* f. L *velox -ocis* swift + *pes* pedis foot]

velô'cîtý, *n.* Quickness, rate, of motion usu. of inanimate things, as *uniform ~*; (Mech.) speed in a given direction; *initial ~*, ~ of a body at starting, esp. (also *muzzle ~*) of projectile issuing from firearm. Hence **velôcim'eter** *n.* [f. F *vélocité* f. L *velocitatem* (*velox -ocis* swift, see -TY)]

velours' (-oor), *n.* Kinds of plush used for hats etc. [F (OF -our, -ous), as **VELVET**]

veloutine' (-ôôtén), *n.* Kinds of corded fabric & of toilet-powder. [F]

vel'um, *n.* (anat., bot., zool.; pl. -la). Kinds of membrane or membranous covering, esp. the soft palate. [L. = sail, veil, f. *vehere* carry]

vel'ure, *n.*, & *v.t.* Velvet or similar fabric; velvet or other pad for smoothing silk hat; (vb) smooth with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF as **VELOURS**]

velút'inous, *a.* (bot., entom.). Velvety. [f. L as **VELVET** + -INE¹ + -OUS]

vel'verét, *n.* Bad kind of velvet. [Irreg. dim. of foll.]

vel'vét, *n.* & *a.* 1. Closely woven fabric wholly (also *silk ~*) or partly (*cotton ~*) of silk with thick short pile on one side (*terry ~*, with pile uncut); furry skin covering a growing antler; (transf.) profit, gain; *on ~*, in an advantageous position (now chiefly in sporting sl. use, of a favourable betting position); ~ *pile*, fabric with pile like that of ~. 2. *adj.* Of, soft as, ~ (often in names of animals & plants, as ~ *ant, oster*); ~ *glaze*, outward gentleness cloak-ing inflexibility (*with an iron hand in a ~ glaze*); ~ *pose*, of cat, fig. obsequy etc. velled under suave manner; ~ *spread*, soft. Hence ~'ED², ~'Y², *aa.* [f. med. F *velvetum* ult. f. L *vellus* shaggy hair]

velveteen', *n.* Cotton fabric with pile like velvet; kind of velvet made of silk & cotton; # (pl., transf.) gamekeeper, game-keeper. [+ see -EEN²]

vél'vétíng, *n.* Velvet goods collectively; *plu.*, *nsp.*, of velvet. [-IVE¹]

vén'al, *a.* (Of person) that may be bought, ready to sell influence or service or to sacrifice principles for sordid motive; (of conduct etc.) characteristic of ~ person. Hence or cogn. **vénál'íty** *n.*, ~LY² *adv.* [f. *L. venalis* (*venus*, ~um, sale, see -AL)]

vená'tion, *n.* Arrangement of veins on leaf, insect's wing, etc. Hence ~AL *a.* [as VEIN + -ATION]

venál, *v.t.* Sell (now chiefly legal, whence or cogn. ~EE², **vén'dor'**, *n.*); offer (small wares) for sale, so (-) **vén'dor'** *n.* Hence or cogn. ~IBIL'íty *n.*, ~IBLE *a.*, ~IBLY² *adv.* [f. *L. vendere* = *venum* (*venum* sale, *dare* give)]

vén'dáce, *n.* Small & delicate fish found in some British & Continental lakes. [f. OF *venetese* *dace*, etym. dub.]

Véndé'an, *a.* & *n.* (Native) of Vendée, department of W. France; (member) of ~ royalist party in 1793-5. [f. *F. Vendéen* (*Vendée*, see -AN)]

véndétt'a, *n.* Blood-feud in which family of injured or murdered man seeks vengeance on offender or his family; this practice as prevalent in Corsica etc. [It., f. *L. vindicta*, see VENICTIVE]

vénéer', *v.t.*, & *n.* 1. Cover (wood, furniture, etc.) with thin coating of finer wood; cover (pottery etc.) with thin coat of finer substance; (fig.) disguise (character etc.) under superficial polish of manner etc. 2. *n.* Thin outer coating, ~ing (lit. & fig.); ~moth, kinds whose colouring suggests ~. [f. *G. furniren* f. *F.* as FURNISH]

vén'er'able, *a.* Entitled to veneration on account of character, age, associations, etc., as ~able priest, relics, beard, ruins, river (also in Ch. of Eng. as title of archdeacons, abbr. *Ven.*; in R.-C. Ch. as title of one who has attained first of three degrees of sanctity but is not canonized). Hence ~ABLE'íty, ~ABLENESS, *nn.*, ~ABLY² *adv.* [OF, f. *L. venerabilis* (as foll., see -ABLE)]

vén'erátíe, *v.t.* Consider worthy of & regard with deep respect or warm approbation; revere. So ~OR² *n.* [f. *L. venerari*, -ATE²]

vénérá'tion, *n.* Profound respect, reverence; (Phren., often joc.) faculty of feeling reverence, as organ, bump, of ~. [f. *L. venerationem* (as prec., see -ATION)]

vénér'eál, *a.* Of sexual intercourse, as ~ desire, ~ disease, communicated by sexual intercourse; ~ remedies (for ~ disease). [f. *L. Venereus* of VENUS + -AL]

vén'érí, *n.* (arch.) Hunting. [f. OF *venari*, to hunt f. *L. venari*, see -ERY]

vén'érí, *n.* (arch.) Sexual indulgence. [VENUS + -RY]

vén'érí, *v.t.* & *L. vénéréc'tion*, *n.* = *VENUS*, *RELATION*. [vb f. *n.*, f. *L. venari*, to hunt, cutting of vein]

Vená'tian (-shn), *a.* & *n.* 1. Of Venice; ~ blind, window blind of slats of wood that may be turned so as to admit or exclude light; ~ carpet (of wasted, usu. with striped pattern); ~ (=BENCHO) chalk; ~ glass, glassware made at or near Venice, (also *Venice glass*) cup of this said to be destroyed by contact with poison; ~ lace, kind of point lace; ~ mast, spirally painted pole for use in street decorations; ~ (solid artificial) pearl; ~ window (with three separate openings). 2. *n.* Native of Venice; (usu. ~) ~ blind, whence **véné'tianen'** (-sha-) *a.*, (pl.) kind of tape for holding slats of this. [f. med. *L. Venetianus* f. *L. Venetia* country of Veneti, -AN]

vén'geance (-jans), *n.* Punishment inflicted, retribution exacted, for wrong to oneself or to person etc. whose cause on espouses, as will exact ample ~, took bloody ~ on the murderer or for the murder of his children, you lay yourself open to his ~; with a ~, in a higher degree than was expected or desired, in the fullest sense of the word(s), & no mistake, as this is punctuality with a ~. [f. *Venger* avenger f. *L.* as VENICTIVE, see -ANCE]

vén'ge'ful (-jif-), *a.* Disposed to revenge, vindictive. Hence ~LY² *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. obs. *venge* vb (as prec.) + -FUL]

vén'ial, *a.* (Of sin or fault) pardonable, excusable, not very wrong, (Theol.) not mortal. Hence **véníál'íty**, ~NESS, *nn.*, ~LY² *adv.* [OF, f. *L. venialis* (*venia* pardon, see -AL)]

Vén'ice, *n.* (attrib.). ~ (=VENETIAN) glass; ~ treacle, = *THURIAO*.

vén'í's (*já'cíds*) (-sh-), *n.* (law). writ directing sheriff to summon jury. [L. = make come]

vén'ísen (-nzon), *n.* Deer's flesh as food. [f. OF *venisus* f. *L. venationem* hunting (*venari* hunt, see -ATION, -SON)]

Vénít'é, *n.* (Musical setting of) *Ps.* xcv. [L. = Come ye, first word of psalm]

vén'om, *n.* Poisonous fluid secreted by serpents, scorpions, etc., & introduced into system of victim by bite or sting; (fig.) malignity, virulence, of feeling or language or conduct. Hence or cogn. ~ED² (-md), ~OUS, *aa.*, ~OUSLY² *adv.*, ~OUSNESS *n.* [ME & OF *venim* f. *L. venenum* poison]

vénós'íty, *n.* Excess of venous blood in organ etc.; deficient aeration of venous blood in lungs with afflux of venous blood into arteries. [as foll., see -OSITY]

vén'ous, ~ose, *aa.* (anat., zool., bot.). Of, full of, contained in, veins, as ~ (opp. to arterial) blood, ~ congestion, accumulation of ~ blood in organ etc. Hence **vén'ously** *adv.* [f. *L. venosus* (as VEIN, see -OUS², -OUS)]

vént, *n.*, & *v.t.* & *f.* 1. Hole or opening allowing passage out of or into confined space, e.g. touch-holes of gun, hole in top

of barrel to admit air while liquid is being drawn out, finger-hole in musical instrument (also *vén'tagw* n.), flue of chimney, loophole in embattled wall; *~fauçet*; anus esp. of animals below mammals; (fig.) outlet, free passage, free play, as *gave ~ to his indignation, impatience found a ~*; ||ing of otter etc. (see vb); *~fauçet*, hollow gimlet for making ~ in oak etc.; *~hole*, ~; *~peg*, peg for stopping ~ of barrel, also *~fauçet*; *~plug*, plug for ~ of gun, also *~peg* (1st sense). Hence *~LESS* a. 2. vb. Make ~ in (gun, cask, etc.); give ~ to, as *~ed his disgust in an epigram, with a snort, on the office-boy*; || (of otter or beaver) come to surface for breath. [n. partly f. *F vent* f. *L ventus* wind, partly f. *F évent* (éventer f. *EX* + *vent* wind); vb chiefly f. n.]

vén'ter, n. (Anat.) belly, also, protuberant or concave part of muscle or bone; (Law) womb, mother, as *a son by, the son of, another ~*. [L. = belly, womb, (in legal sense thr. *AF ventre*)

vén'tiduct, n. (archit.). Air-passage, esp. subterranean one. [f. *L ventus* wind + *DUCT*]

vén'til, n. Valve in musical instrument; shutter for regulating air in organ. [G, f. med. *L ventile* sluice f. *L ventus* wind]

vén'tilâte, v.t. Cause air to circulate freely in (room etc.); purify by air, oxygenate, (blood); submit (question, subject, grievance, etc.) to public consideration & discussion. Hence or cogn. *~ATION*, *~ATOR* (2, 1; esp., appliance for ~ating room), nn., *~ATIVE* a. [f. *L ventilare* blow, winnow (*ventus* wind), see *-ATE*]

vén'tral, a. & n. (zool., bot.). Of the venter: on the belly (opp. *DORSAL*); *~ (fin)*, either of the abdominal fins. Hence *~LY* adv. [F, *L L ventralis* (VENTER, see *-AL*)]

ventre à terre (see *Ap.*), adv. At full speed (lit. with belly to ground). [F]

vén'tricle, n. (anat.). Any cavity of the body, hollow part or organ, as *~s of the brain, right, left, ~ (of the heart)*. Hence *vén'tric'ûlar*¹, *vén'tric'ûlous*, aa. [f. *F ventricule* f. *L ventriculus* dim. of VENTER] *vén'tric'ûse*, -ous, aa. Having a protruding belly; (Bot.) distended, inflated. [f. VENTER + *-IC* + *-OSE*¹, -OUS]

vén'tril'equism, n. Act, art, of speaking, or uttering sounds in such a manner that the voice appears to come from some other source than the speaker. So *vén'triloc'ûtion*, *~ISM*(1), *~Y*¹, nn., *vén'tril'ûquial*, *~is'tic*, -ous, aa., *~ISM*(2) v.i. [f. *L ventrilocus* ventrilquist (VENTER + *loqui locut*: speak)]

vén'tro- in comb. = VENTER, as *~dors'al*, extending from belly to back.

vén'ture, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Undertaking of a risk, risky undertaking, as *declined the ~, ready for any ~*; commercial

speculation, as *one lucky ~ made his fortune, failed in all his ~s*; (arch.) thing at stake, property risked; *at a ~, at random*. 2. vb. Dare, not be afraid, make bold, as *did not ~ to stop him, I ~ to differ from you*; dare to make or advance or put forward, hazard, as *would not ~ an opinion, a guess, a step*; expose to risk, stake, as *men who ~ their lives for the cause, will ~ five shillings on it*; (abs.) undertake risk; *~ (upon)*, dare to engage in or grapple with or make, as *shall ~ on a mild protest, will you ~ on a slice of cucumber?* Hence *vén'turer*¹ n., (esp. Hist.) one who undertakes or shares in a trading ~, *~SOME* (-*cher*-) a., *~SOMELY*² adv., *~SOMENESS* n. [aphetic f. ADVENTURE]

vén'ûe, n. (law). Country within which jury must be gathered & cause tried (orig. neighbourhood of crime etc.), as *change the ~ (to avoid riot, prejudiced jury, etc.)*; statement in indictment etc. indicating this; (pop.) rendezvous. [OF, = coining, f. *venir* come f. *L venire*]

Vén'us, n. (Rom. Myth.) goddess of love; a PLANET¹; sexual love, amorous influences or desires, (*uranian, pandemian*, ~, spiritual, sensual, sex love): a beautiful woman; *Mount of ~* (palmistry), base of thumb; *~s basin, bath*, common teazel; *~s comb*, plant of parsley family with comblike fruit; *~s fly-trap*, herb with leaves that close on insects etc.; *~s slipper*, = *LADY'S-slipper*. [L, gen. *-eris*]

verá'cious (-shus), a. Speaking, disposed to speak, the truth; (of statement etc.) true, not (meant to be) false. Hence or cogn. *~LY*² adv., *verá'cious* n. [f. *L veras* (verus true, see *-ACIOUS*)]

verán'da(h) (-da), n. Open portico or gallery along side of house with roof supported on pillars. [f. Port. *varanda*]

vér'atrine, n. Poisonous compound from hellebore used esp. as local irritant in neuralgia & rheumatism. So *~ATE*(3) n., *verá'tric* a. *~ISM*(5) v.t. [F (*vé-*), f. *L veratrum* hellebore + *-ISM*¹]

verb, n. (gram.). Part of speech that predicates, word whose function is predication (e.g. italicized words in *Time flies, Salt is good, You surprise me*); *copulative or substantive ~*, be; *AUXILIARY, DEPENDENT, IMPERSONAL, (IN)TRANSITIVE, NEUTER, REFLEXIVE*, ~. [f. *L verbum* word, verb]

verb'al, a. & n. 1. Of, concerned with, words, as *~ distinctions, subtleties, orificiation*, accuracy, inspiration; (loosely) oral, not written, as *a ~ communication, contract, ~ evidence*; (of translation) literal, word for word; *~ note* (diplomacy), unsigned memorandum on matter that is not urgent but must not be overlooked; (Gram.) of (the nature of) a verb, as *~ inflections, used in all the ~ senses (of the verb)*, *~ noun*, noun derived from verb & partly sharing its constructions (e.g. *E*

sounds in *-ing*). 2. n. ~ noun. Hence ~LY² adv. [f. L *verbalis* (as prec., see -AL)]
verb'alism, n. Minute attention to words, verbal criticism. [-ISM]

verb'alist, n. Person concerned with words only, verbal critic. [-IST]

verb'alize, v.t. & i. Make (noun etc.) into a verb, so verb'ly² v.t.; be verbose. Hence ~ATION² n. [-IZE]

verbāt'im, adv. & a. Word for word, as copied it ~, a ~ reprint. [med. L (adv.), as *VERB*, cf. LITERATIM]

verbén'a, n. Kinds of plant of vervain family, as *lemon(-scented)* ~. [L, = sacred bough of olive etc., *VERVAIN*]

verb'lage, n. Needless accumulation of words, verbosity. [F (as *VERB*, see -AGE)]

verb'icide, n. (joc.). Word-butcher(y). [as *VERB* + -CIDE]

verbōse', a. Using, containing, more words than are wanted, prolix. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS, verbōs'ITY, nn. [f. L *verbosus* (as *VERB*, see -OSE¹)]

verb'um (sūt) sūplēm'tū, sent. (abbr. verb. sap.). A word is enough to the wise. [L]

verd'ant, a. (Of grass etc.) green, fresh-coloured; (of field etc.) covered with ~ grass etc.; (of person) unsophisticated, raw, green. Hence verd'ancy n., ~LY² adv. [perh. f. *verdure* + -ANT]

verd-āntique' (-ēk), n. Ornamental usu. green building-stone formed chiefly of serpentine; green incrustation on ancient bronze. [OF (*verd* green f. L *viridis* + *ANTIQUE*)]

verd'erer, -or, n. (hist.). Judicial officer of royal forests. [AF *verder* (*verd* f. L *viridis* green) + -ER¹, -OR¹]

verd'ict, n. Decision of jury on issue of fact in civil or criminal cause, as *brought in a ~ of not guilty*, a ~ for the plaintiff, open ~ (reporting commission of crime but not specifying criminal), partial ~ (finding person guilty of part of the charge), *privy or sealed* ~ (written ~ delivered to clerk of court when court has adjourned during deliberation of jury), *special* ~ (stating facts as proved but leaving court to draw conclusion from them); decision, judgement, as *the ~ of the public was in its favour*, does not dispute your ~. [ME & AF *verdict* f. L *vere dictum* thing truly said (*vere* truly + *DICTUM*)]

verd'igris (or -de), n. Green crystallized substance formed on copper by action of acetic acid & used in medicine & as pigment etc.; green rust on copper. [ME *verdigrasse*, *verle grece*; f. AF *vert de Grece* green of Greece (as *VERDURE* + *Greece* f. L *Græcia*)]

verd'iter, n. Blue, green, ~, pigments got from copper nitrate. [f. OF *verd de terre* green of earth (as *soil*, + *terre* f. L *terra* earth)]

verd'urie (-dyer), n. Greenness of vegetation, green vegetation, whence ~MS¹

(-dyerd), ~GLASS, verd'arous, aa.; (fig.) freshness; French tapestry with prominent foliage. [F (OF *verd* green, f. L *viridis*, see -URE)]

vercain (ferin'), n. Association of persons or parties, organized body. [G]

Verey. Var. of *VERY*¹.

verge', n. Extreme edge, brink, border, (usu. fig.), as *drew near to the very ~ of the stream*, on the ~ of 70, destruction, betraying his secret; grass edging of flower-bed etc.; wand, rod, carried before bishop, dean, etc., as emblem of office; kinds of shaft or spindle in various mechanisms; (Archit.) shaft of column, edge of tiles projecting over gable, ~board, = *BARGE-board*; (Hist.) area of jurisdiction of Marshalees. [OF, f. L *virga* twig, rod]

verge', v.i. Incline downwards or in specified direction (*the now verging sun*; ~ towards old age, to a close); ~ on, border on, approach closely, as *path ~s on the edge of a precipice*, a solemnity verging on the tragic. [f. L *vergere* bend, incline; sense influenced by prec.]

|| **vergee'** (-jē), n. Channel-Island measure of area, four-ninths of acre. [f. F *vergée* measured (*VERGE*²)]

ver'gency, n. (optics). Reciprocal of focal distance of lens as measure of divergence or convergence of rays. [*VERGE*², -ENCY]

ver'ger, n. Official in a church who shows persons to their seats etc.; || officer who bears staff before bishop, vice-chancellor of university, etc. Hence ~SHIP n. [prob. as *VERGE*¹, cf. med. L *virgarius* rod-bearer]

verid'ical, a. Truthful (usu. iron.); (Psych., Spirit.); of visions etc.) coinciding with realities. Hence or cogn. ~ALLY² adv., ~OUS a. [f. L *veridicus* (*verus* true + *dicere* say) + -AL]

ver'ri|f'y, v.t. Establish the truth of, examine for this purpose, as *must ~fy the statement*, his figures, am now ~fy'ing the items; (of event, action, etc.) bear out, make good, fulfil, (prediction, promise); (Law) append affidavit to (pleadings), support (statement) by proofs. Hence or cogn. ~FIABILITY, ~FIATION, ~FIER², nn., ~FIABLE a. [f. OF *verifier* f. med. L *verificare* (*verus* true, see -FY)]

ver'rily, adv. (arch.). Really, truly, in very truth. [f. *VERY*¹ + -LY¹]

verisimil'itude, n. Air of being true, semblance of actuality, (*the ~ of the tale*; ~ is not proof); a thing that seems true. So **verisim'ilar'** a. [f. L *verisimilitudo* f. *verisimilis* probable (*veri* gen. of *verus* true + *similis* like), see -TUDINE]

ver'itable, a. Real, rightly so called, as a ~le boon. Hence ~LY² adv. [OF (as *VERITY*, see -ABLE)]

ver'ritas, n. (Also *bureau veritas*) French ship register like Lloyd's. [F (*ver*), f. L *as-foll.*]

ver'rity, n. Truth (of statement etc.); true statement; really existent thing, as *false*

things, alas! are ~ies; of a ~y (arch.), in truth, really. [f. OF *verite* f. L *veritatem* (verus true, see -RY)]

ver'juice (-ōōs), n. Acid liquor got from crab-apples, sour grapes, etc., & used in cooking. Hence ~**ed**² (-st) a. [f. OF *verjus* (verd, see VERDURE, +jus JUICE)]

verm'ell (-mil), n. Silver gilt; varnish used to give lustre to gilding; orange-red garnet; (poet.) vermilion. [OF, see VERMILION]

verm'i- in comb. = L *vermis* worm, as: ~**icide**, drug that kills worms, so ~**icid'ala**; ~**iform**, worm-shaped (~iform APPENDIX), structurally allied to worms; ~**ifuge**, drug that expels intestinal worms, so ~**if'ugal** a.; ~**igrade**, moving like worm, wriggling along; ~**iv'orous**, feeding on worms.

verm'ian, a. Of worms, wormlike. [f. L *vermis* worm + -AN]

vermic'ell'i, n. Paste of same materials as macaroni made in slender threads. [It., pl. of *vermicello* dim. f. L *vermis* worm]

vermic'ular, a. Like a worm in form or movements, as ~ (= VERMIFORM) *appendix*; of worm-eaten appearance; marked with close wavy lines. [f. med. L *vermicularis* (L *vermiculus* dim. of *vermis* worm, see -AR¹)]

vermic'ulate, a. = prec. (rare, usu. fig.). [f. L *vermiculari* be full of worms (prec.), -ATE²,³]

vermicul'ation, n. Being eaten or infested by or converted into worms; vermicular marking; worm-eaten state. [f. L *vermiculatio* (prec., -ATION)]

vermil'ion (-yon), n., a., & v.t. 1. Cinabar; brilliant red pigment made by grinding this or artificially; (of) this colour. 2. v.t. Colour (as) with ~. [(vb f. n.) f. OF *vermillon* vermillion, kermes insect (*vermeil* vermillion f. L *vermiculus* dim. of *vermis* worm, see -OON)]

verm'in, n. (usu. treated as pl.). Mammals & birds injurious to game, crops, etc., e.g. foxes, weasels, rats, mice, moles, owls, etc.; noxious insects, e.g. fleas, bugs, lice; parasitic worms or insects; (fig.) vile persons, as ~s *that infect race-courses*. So ~ous a., ~ously² adv. [ME & OF *vermine* ult. f. L *vermis* worm]

verm'in'iate, v.i. Breed vermin, become infested with parasites. So ~**ATION** n. [f. L *verminare* (vermis worm), see -ATE³]

verm'(o)uth (-ōōth; or verm'ōōt), n. White wine flavoured with wormwood. [f. F *vermouth* f. G *wormuth* wormwood]

verm'ic'ular, a. & n. 1. (Of language, idiom, word) of one's native country, native, indigenous, not of foreign origin or of learned formation; (of disease) = ENDEMIC. 2. n. The language or dialect of the country, as *Latin gave place to the ~*. Hence ~**ISM**(s), ~**ITY** (-ā-r'), ~**IZATION**, n., ~**ISM**(s) v.t., ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *vermiculus* native (verme: home-beam: slave, see -ISM) + -AR¹]

Of, appearing or occurring done in, spring, as ~ *breezes, flowers, equinox, migration*, ~ (malarial) *fever*; ~ *grass*, sweet-scented grass grown among hay. Hence ~**LY**² adv. [f. L *vernalis* (vernus f. ver spring, see -AL)]

vernā'tion, n. (bot.). Arrangement of leaves (cf. *ABSTIVATION*) within leaf-bud. [f. L *vernare* bloom (ver spring, see -ATION)]

vern'ler, n. Small movable scale for obtaining fractional parts of the subdivisions on fixed scale of barometer, sextant, etc. [F, f. P. V~, inventor, d. 1687]

vé'ronal, n. Sedative drug. [P]

Véronèse' (-s), a., & n. (pl. the same). (Inhabitant) of Verona. [-ESE]

verōn'ica, n. 1. Kinds of herb or shrub with blue, purple, pink, or white flowers. 2. Cloth with representation of Christ's face, esp. one miraculously so impressed after being used by St V~ to wipe sweat from Christ's face. [V~, woman's name]

vér'ricule, n. (entom.). Thick tuft of upright hairs. Hence **vér'ric'ulate**² a. [f. L *verriculum* net (*verrere* sweep)]

vér'ruc'ia (-rōō-), n. (path., zool., bot.; pl. ~ae pr. -sē). Wart, wartlike elevation. Hence or cogn. ~**IFORM** (-rōō-), **vér'rucose**² (-rōō-), **vér'rucous** (-rōō-), ~**ulose**¹ (-rōō-), aa. [L]

vérs'ant, n. Extent of land sloping in one direction, general slope of land. [F, f. L *versare* frequent. of *vertere* vers- turn]

vérs'atile, a. Turning readily from one subject or occupation to another, capable of dealing with many subjects, as ~ *author, genius, disposition, mind*; capable of being moved or turned as on hinge, as ~ *spindle*. (Bot., Zool.) moving freely about or up & down on a support, as ~ *anther, head, antennae*; changeable, inconstant. Hence or cogn. ~**LY**² adv., **vérsatil'ITY** n. [F, f. L *versatilis* (as prec., see -ATILE)]

vers de soci'été (vār de sosi'etā'), n. SOCIETY verse. [F]

verse, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Metrical line containing definite number of feet, as *quoted some ~s of the Iliad, had a good ~ here & there*, CAP² ~s; group of definite number of ~s, stanza; metrical composition in general, particular type of this, as *wrote pages of ~, expressed in indifferent ~, what is not prose is ~, a prize for Latin ~*, BLANK¹, SOCIETY, elegiac, iambic, trochaic, etc., ~; each of the short divisions of chapter in Bible (CHAPTER & ~); short sentences as part of liturgy; solo part of anthem etc.; ~*monger*(ing), maker, making, of bad ~s. Hence ~**LY**² (-al-) n. 2. vb. Express in ~, make ~s. [(vb f. n.) OE *fers* f. L *versus* -de turning, line, row, verse, f. *vertere* vers- turn]

versed (-st), a. Experienced, skilled, proficient, (in subject, occupation, etc.); reversed (now only in ~ *smn*). [adaptation of L *versutus* p.p. of *versari* being aggl

in, see **VERSARE**; trig. sense f. *L. versus* p.p. [as prec.]

vers'et, n. (math.). Short prelude or interlude for organ. [OF, dim. of *vers* **VERSE**]

vers'icle, n. Short verse, esp. of each series of short verses in liturgy said or sung alternately by minister & people. [f. *L. versiculus* (as **VERSE**, see **COLOR**)]

vers'icolour(ed) (-lied), aa. Variegated; changing from one colour to another in different lights. [f. *L. versicolor* (*vertere* = turn + *color* **COLOR**)]

versic'ular, a. ~ **VERSICLE** (into verses). [as **VERSICLE** (see **UL**-) + **AR**¹]

vers'ify, v.t. & i. Turn (prose) into verse; express in verse; make verses. Hence or cogn. ~**IFY**ATION, ~**IFY**¹, na. [f. OF *versifier* f. *L. versificare* (as **VERSE**, see **RY**)]

vers'ion (-shn), n. 1. Book etc. translated into another language, as *Authorized*, *Revised*, *V*~ (of the Bible, made 1604-11, 1870-84; abbr. *A.V.*, *R.V.*). 2. Piece of translation, esp. into foreign language, as school exercise. 3. Account of a matter from particular person's point of view, as *now let me have your own ~ of the affair*. 4. Turning of child awkwardly placed for delivery so that head or feet may be first presented. Hence ~**AL** (-sho-) a. [F, f. *L. versionem* (*L. vertere* = turn, see **IOX**)]

vers'ible (vārib'le), n. Versification or verses in which different metres are mingled, or prosodical restrictions disregarded, or variable rhythm substituted for definite metre. Hence **versil'brist** (vārlē-) n., writer of ~. [F]

vers'is, n. (pl. ~s). Any left-hand page of book (cf. **RECTO**); reverse of coin. [L, abl. p.p. as **VERSE**]

verst, n. Russian measure of length, 3,500 feet. [f. Russ. *verst*]

vers'us, prep. (abbr. v.). Against, as (Law) *Jones v. Smith*, (Cricket etc.) *Surrey v. Kent*. [L, = towards, against]

vert', n. (Law, Hist.) all that bears green leaves in forest, right to cut this; (Her.) the tincture green. [OF, f. *L. viridis* green]

|| **vert'**, n., & v.i. (colloq.). Convert or pervert; (vb) leave one Church for another. [colined as neutral form]

vert'ebra, n. (pl. ~ae). Each segment of backbone (*false* ~a, fixed, as os sacrum & coccyx in man, *true* ~a, movable; neither expression now used in human anat.). Hence ~**AL** a., ~**ALLY**² adv., ~o- comb. form. [f. *L. (vertere* turn)]

vert'ebrale, a. & n. (Anat.) having a spinal column or a notochord, esp. (member) of the division **Vertebrat'a**, including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, & fishes. Hence ~**ATED** (-arn²) a. [f. *L. vertebratus* jointed (as prec., see

tion, n. Formation of, division into, vertebrae or similar segments. {~**ARN**};

vert'ix, n. (pl. usu. *-ices*). Highest point, top, apex; (Anat.) crown of head; (Geom.) each angular point of triangle, polygon, etc., ~ of an angle, meeting-point of lines that form it. [L, gen. *-icis*, = whirlpool, head, vertex, (*vertere* turn)]

vert'ical, a. & n. 1. Of, at, the vertex or highest point; at the zenith; perpendicular to plane of horizon; (Anat.) of the crown of the head; ~ angles, each pair of opposite angles made by two intersecting lines; ~ (= **AXONITE**-) circle; ~ *line* (dorsal, anal, & caudal); ~ *plane*, plane perpendicular to the horizon. Hence ~**RY** (-it²) a., ~**LY**² adv. 2. n. ~ line, plane, or circle; out of the ~, not ~. [F (prec., see **AR**)]

vert'icil, n. (bot., zool.). Whorl, set of parts radiating from axis. Hence **verticillate**² a., **verticillately**² adv. [f. *L. verticillus* whorl of spindle, dim. of **VERTER**]

vert'igo (or **vertiz**, -tē), n. (pl. ~s). Giddiness, dizziness, as *subjective*, *objective*, ~ (in which patient feels as if he, as if surrounding objects, were turning round), *essential* ~ (without apparent cause). Hence **vert'iginous** a., **vert'iginously**² adv., **vert'iginousness** n. [L, gen. *-ginis*, = whirling, dizziness, (*vertere* turn)]

vertu. See **VIRTU**.

vert'ain, n. Kinds of woody plant with small blue, white, or purple flowers, formerly believed to have various virtues & used as amulet etc. [f. OF *verveine* f. *L. VERBENA*]

verve (vārv), n. Enthusiasm, energy, vigour, in artistic or literary work. [F, etym. dub.]

verv'et, n. A small S.-Afr. monkey often employed by organ-grinders. [F, etym. dub.]

vē'ry¹, a. & adv. 1. Real, true, genuine, that is such in the truest or fullest sense, as ~ *God* or ~ *God*, has shown himself a ~ *knave*, the *veriest* simpleton knows that, must consent from ~ shame, (somewhat arch. exc. in foll. uses); (with *the*, *this*, *that*, or possessive adj., emphasizing identity, coincidence, significance, or extreme degree) *this is the ~ spot I found it on*, speaking in *this ~ room*, the ~ *fact* of his presence is enough, you are the ~ *man I am looking for*, a needle is the ~ *thing (for our purpose)*, come here *this ~ minute*, grieves me to the ~ *heart*, the ~ *stones cry out*, his ~ *servants bully him*, drank it to the ~ *drops*; (with a) a ~ *little more will do*, give me only a ~ *little*. 2. adv. (Perh. orig. adj., with superl. adj. often abs., or with *my* etc. own) in the fullest sense, as *drunk it to the ~ last drop*, the ~ *last thing I expected*, did the ~ *best I could*, did my ~ *utmost*, may keep it for your ~ *sue*; (used with adv. & the positive of non-verbal adj.; with part. established as independent adj.), as a ~ *dramatic effect*,

effect was ~ *dazzling*, a ~ *trying time*; with p.p.p. in attrib. use applied to what is not the real object of the vbl action, as *wore a ~ pained, pleased, puzzled, troubled, vexed, annoyed, surprised*, etc., *expression*, but not his *expression* was ~ *pained* etc.; & colloq. with the same p.p.p. in pred. use applied to the true object & fulfilling purely vbl function, as *I was ~ pleased, surprised, annoyed*, etc.; not otherwise used with vbs) in a high degree, as *that is ~ easily done, ~ often fails, ~ easy, not ~ much use, and ~ few instances, gives ~ little trouble*, but not ~ *better* etc. 3. ~ *well*, formula of consent or approval. [adv. f. adj.] ME & OF *verai* ult. f. L *verus* true]

Věry², n. (attrib.). ~ *light* (projected from ~ *ptstol* for signalling or temporarily illuminating part of battle-field etc.). [S. W. ~, inventor]

věsíc¹, n. (anat., bot.). 1. Bladder, cyst, sac, esp. (whence *věs'icocle*, *věs'icōrōmy*, nn.) urinary bladder. 2. ~ (*pisces* or *pisium* = fish's or fishes'), the pointed oval (◊) used as an aureole in medieval sculpture & painting. Hence *věs'ical* a., *věs'ico-* comb. form. [L]

věs'icāte, v.t. Raise blisters on. Hence ~ANT(2), ~ĀTORY, aa. & nn., ~A'TION n. [f. prec. + -ATE³]

věs'icle, n. (anat., bot., geol.). Small bladder, cell, bubble, or hollow structure. Hence *věs'icular*¹, *věs'iculate*², *věs'iculif'EROUS*, *věs'iculiform*, *věs'iculose*¹, *věs'iculōus*, aa., *věs'icula'tion* n., *věs'icūlo-* comb. form. [f. L *vesicula* dim. of *vesica*]

věs'per, n. (*V*~) Venus as evening-star, (poet.) evening; (pl.) sixth of the seven canonical hours of the breviary, *EVEN*¹-song; ~(-*bell*), bell that calls to ~s; *Sicilian V*~s, massacre of French residents in Sicily in 1282, begun at stroke of ~-bell. [L, cf. *HESPERUS*]

věs'pertine, a. Of, done in, the evening; (Bot., of flowers) opening, (Zool.) flying, in the evening; (Astron.) descending towards horizon at sunset. [f. L *vesperinus* (*VESPER*)]

věs'piarý, n. Nest of wasps. [Irreg. f. L *vespa* wasp, after *apiary*]

věs'pine, a. Of wasps. So *věs'piform* a. [f. *vespa* wasp + -INE¹]

věs'sel, n. 1. Hollow receptacle esp. for liquid, e.g. cask, cup, pot, bottle, dish. 2. Ship, boat, esp. large one. 3. (Anat.) duct, canal, holding or conveying blood or other fluid, esp. *blood*~; (Bot.) chain of cells that have lost intervening partitions, duct. 4. (Bibl. or allus. esp. joc.). Person viewed as recipient or exponent, as *chosen* ~ (*Acts* ix, 15), *weaker* ~, woman (1 *Pet.* iii, 7), ~s of *wrath* (*Rom.* ix, 22). Hence ~FUL n. [AF, f. OF *vaisse* f. L *vascellum* dim. of *vas*]

věst¹, n. (Shop) waistcoat; (also under~)

|| knitted or woven undergarment; piece, *usm.* V-shaped, on front of body of woman's gown; || (arch.) clothing, dress; ~-*pocket*, (attrib. of small articles, esp. hand-cameras) of a size suitable for the pocket (as a size of plate or film, 6 × 4.5 cm.). Hence ~ING²(S) n. [f. F f. It. *veste* f. L *vestis* garment, cogn. w. Gk *esthēs* dress]

věst², v.t. & i. Furnish (person *with* authority, powers, property, etc.); ~ (property, power) in (person), confer formally on him an immediate fixed right of present or future possession of it (~ed *rights, interests, estate*, etc.), possession of which is determinately fixed in a person & is subject to no contingency; (of property, right, etc.) ~ in (person), come to him; (poet.) clothe. [f. OF *vestir* f. L *vestire* -it- clothe (as prec.)]

věst'a, n. (Rom. Myth. *V*~) goddess of the hearth; (Astron., *V*~) an asteroid; short wooden or (*wax* ~) wax match. [L, cf. Gk *Hestia*]

věst'al, a. & n. Of the goddess Vesta or the ~ virgins; ~ (*virgin*), virgin consecrated to Vesta, vowed to chastity, & charged with care of sacred fire perpetually burning on her altar, hence, woman of spotless chastity, esp. one who devotes her life to religion, nun. [f. L *Vestalis* a. & n. (as prec., see -AL)]

věst'ibŭle, n. Ante-chamber, hall, lobby, next to outer door of house & from which doors open into various rooms; porch of church etc.; *~e (=CORRIDOR) *train*; (Anat.) chamber or channel communicating with others, esp. ~e of the ear, central cavity of labyrinth of internal ear. Hence *věst'ib'ular*¹, *věst'ib'ulate*² (anat.), ~ED³ (-ld), aa. [f. L *vestibulum*, etym. dub.]

věst'ige, n. Footprint (now only fig.), track, trace, evidence, sign, as ~s of an earlier civilization, *found* no ~s of his presence; (loosely, w. neg.) atom, particle, as *without* a ~ of clothing, *has not* a ~ of evidence for this assertion; (Biol.) part, organ, now degenerate & of little or no utility but ancestrally well developed. Hence *věst'ig'ial* (esp. biol.), *věst'ig'iarý*¹, aa. [F, f. L *vestigium* footprint, etym. dub.]

věst'iture, n. (zool.). Hair, scales, etc., covering a surface. [f. med. L *vestitura* f. L as *VEST*², -URE]

věst'ment, n. Garment, esp. official or state robe; any of the official garments of clergy, choristers, etc., worn during divine service, esp. chasuble; altar-cloth. [f. OF *vestement* f. L *vestimentum* (as *VEST*², see -MENT)]

věst'ry, n. Room, building, attached to church & in which vestments are kept & put on; chapel attached to non-liturgical church & used for prayer-meetings etc.; || (also common, general, ordinary, ~) ratepayers of a parish, (also select ~)

representatives of these, assembled for dispatch of parochial business; || (room used for) meeting of either of these bodies; || ~*clerk*, officer chosen by ~ to keep parish accounts etc.; ~*man*, member of a ~. Hence vēs'tral a. [f. OF *vestiarie* f. L *vestiarium* wardrobe (as VEST¹, see -ARIUM)] || vēs'trydom, n. (Corrupt, inefficient) government by vestry. [-DOM]

vēs'ture, n., & v.t. (poet., rhet.). 1. Garments, dress, clothes; covering. 2. v.t. Clothe. [OF, as VESTITURE]

|| vēs'turer (-cher-), n. Church official in charge of vestments; sub-treasurer of cathedral or church. [f. prec. + -ER¹]

vēsūv'ian, a. & n. 1. (V~). Of Vesuvius; volcanic. 2. n. Kind of fusee match (obs.); (also ~*ite*¹ n.) brown or green mineral first found on Vesuvius. [f. L *Vesuvius* + -AN]

vēt-, n., & v.t. (colloq.; -tt-). 1. -VETERINARY. 2. v.t. Examine or treat (beast); (fig.) check & correct. [abbr.]

věch, n. Kinds of plant of pea family largely used, wild or cultivated, for forage, esp. common ~, tare. Hence ~*'y*² a. [f. ONF *veche* f. L *vicia*]

věch'ling, n. Plant allied to vetch. [-LING¹]

vět'eran, a. & n. || (Person) who has grown old in or had long experience of (esp. military) service or occupation, as *Wellington's ~s*, a ~*golfer*; *ex-service man; of a ~, composed of ~s, as ~ *service*, *troops*. Hence ~*ize*(3) v.t. [f. L *veteranus* a. & n. (*vetus* -*erie* old, see -AN)]

vět'erinary, a. & n. 1. Of, for, (the treatment of) diseases & injuries of domestic animals, as ~ *surgeon*, *science*, *college*. 2. n. (abbr. *vet*). A ~ surgeon; also vēterinār'ian n. [f. L *veterinarius* f. *veterinae* cattle]

vět'ō, n. (pl. ~es), & v.t. 1. Constitutional right of sovereign, president, governor, upper house of legislature, etc., to reject a legislative enactment (*suspensory* ~, suspending but not necessarily preventing completion of measure), whence ~*ize*(2) n.; (official message conveying) such rejection; prohibition, as *interposed his ~*, *put a or his ~ on the proposal*. 2. v.t. Exercise ~ against (bill etc.), forbid authoritatively. [L, = I forbid, w. ref. to its use by tribune of the people in nullifying measures]

věttur'a (-oora), n. (pl. -re pr. -rā). Italian four-wheeled carriage. [It.]

věx, v.t. Anger by slight or petty annoyance, irritate, as *this would ~ a saint*, *how ~ing!*, whence ~'ēdlr¹, ~'inglr², advv.; (arch.) grieve, afflict; (poet., rhet.) put (see etc.) into state of commotion; a ~ed (much discussed) *question*. [f. OF *vexer* f. L *vexare*]

věx'cl'ion, n. Vexing, being vexed; harassing by means of malicious or trivial litigation; state of irritation or distress, as

conceive my ~, *in ~ of spirit*; annoying or distressing thing, as *subjected to many ~s*. Hence vēx'cl'ious (-shus) a., vēx'cl'ious-ly² adv., vēx'cl'iousness n. [f. L *vexationem* (as VEX, see -ATION)]

věxill'um, n. (pl. -illa). (Rom. Ant.) military standard esp. of maniples, body of troops under this; (Bot., also vēx'il n.) large upper petal of papilionaceous flower; web of a feather, whence vēx'il-late² a.; (Ecol.) flag on or wound round bishop's staff, processional banner or cross. Hence or cogn. vēx'illār'v¹ aa. [L (*vehere* *vect*-carry)]

vī'a, n. & prep. 1. *Via Lāt'ita*, Milky Way; ~ *mēd'ia*, mean between (esp. of Anglican church as placed i

Romanism & extreme Protestantism). 2. prep. (Also *vid*) by way of, through, as *from Exeter to York ~ London* (also job. of connected subjects etc.). [L, = way, road]

vī'able, a. (Of foetus or new-born child) capable of maintaining life; (of plant, animal, etc.) able to live or exist in particular climate etc., (of seed) able to germinate. So vīam'vry n. [F (*vie* life f. L *vita*, see -ABLE)]

vī'adūct, n. Long bridgelike structure, esp. series of arches, for carrying road or railway over valley or dip in ground; such road or railway. [f. L *via* way, after *AQUEDUCT*]

vī'al, n. Small (usu. cylindrical glass) vessel for holding liquid medicines etc.; LEYDEN ~ (=jar); *pour out ~s of wrath*, take vengeance (*Rev. xv. 7*), (colloq.) give vent to anger. Hence ~*ful* n. [as *PHIAL*]

vīām'ēter, n. -HODOMETER. [L *via* way + -METER]

vī'and, n. (usu. in pl.). Article(s) of food, victual(s). [AF *viande*, = meat, food, f. L *vivenda* things to live on (neut. pl. gerund. of *vivere* live, taken as fem. sing.)]

vīāt'icum, n. (Rom. Ant.) supplies or sum of money allowed to officer for journey on State service; eucharist as given to dying person; portable altar. [L (*via* way, see -ATIC)]

vibrāc'ūlum, n. (pl. ~a). Filamentous appendage of some polyzoa serving to bring food within reach by lashing movements. Hence ~*al*¹ a. [f. L as foll.]

vīb'rant, a. Vibrating; thrilling *with* something; (of sound) resonant. [f. L *vibrare* (foll.), -ANT]

vībrāte', v.i. & t. Move to & fro like pendulum, oscillate; (of sound) throbb (on ear, in memory, etc.); (Physics) move unceasingly to & fro, esp. rapidly; thrill, quiver, (*with* passion etc.); cause to oscillate; (of pendulum) measure (seconds etc.) by vibrating. Hence vīb'rative, vīb'ratory, aa. [f. L *vibrare* shake, swing, see -ATE¹]

vīb'ratile, a. Capable of vibrating. Hence vīb'rati'l'vry n. [-AL]

vibrá'tion, *n.* Vibrating, oscillation; (Physics) rapid motion to & fro esp. of the parts of a fluid or an elastic solid whose equilibrium has been disturbed (*amplitude of ~*, maximum departure of vibrating body from position of rest; *forced, free, ~*, whose period is, is not, modified by an outside force). Hence ~AL *a.*, **vibrát'**(JUNCLE *n.* dim. [f. *L vibrationem* (as *VIBRATE*, see -ATION)]

vibres'w (vèbrah-), *n.* Effect like TREMOLO in singing & playing stringed instruments. [It.]

vibrát'or, *n.* Person, thing, that vibrates, esp. (Electr., Telog.) kinds of vibrating reed, (Mus.) reed in reed-organ, (Print.) inking-roller with vibrating & rotary movements, (Med.) electric or other instrument used in massage. [-OR']

vibriss'ae, *n. pl.* Stiff coarse hair about mouth of most mammals & in nostrils of man; bristle-like feathers about mouth of some birds. [L (as *VIBRATE*)]

vib'roscope, *n.* Instrument for observing vibrations. [-SCOPE]

viburn'um, *n.* Kinds of shrub of honeysuckle family. [L]

vic, *n.* (sl.). V-shaped formation of aircraft. [signalers' name for letter V]

vic'ar, *n.* || Priest of a parish the tithes of which belong to chapter or religious house or layman (cf. *RECTOR*); ~ of *Bray*, systematic turncoat, w. ref. to 17th-c. song; *clerk, lay, secular, ~*, cathedral officer singing some parts of service; || ~ *choral*, clerical or lay assistant in some (esp. musical) parts of cathedral service; || ~ *general*, (Ch. of Eng.) official assisting (arch)bishop in ecclesiastical causes etc. (usu. his chancellor), (R.-C. Ch.) bishop's assistant in matters of jurisdiction etc.; (R.-C. Ch.) *cardinal ~*, Pope's delegate acting as bishop of diocese of Rome, ~ *apostolic*, missionary or titular bishop (whence *vicar'iate* (1) *n.*), ~ *forane*, dignitary appointed by bishop to exercise limited local jurisdiction, *V~ of (Jesus) Christ*, Pope. Hence ~SHIP *n.* [f. OF *vicaire* f. *L vicarius* deputed, deputy, (as *VICAR*, see -ARY')]]

vic'arage, *n.* Benefice, residence, of vicar. [-AGE]

vicar'ial, *a.* Of, serving as, a vicar. [-AL]

vicar'ious, *a.* Deputed, delegated, as ~ *authority*; acting, done, for another, as ~ *work, suffering, ~ sacrifice* (of Christ in place of sinner). Hence ~LY *adv.*, ~NESS *n.* [f. *L* as *VICARIUS* + -OUS]

vice', *n.* Evil esp. grossly immoral habit or conduct, (particular form of) depravity, serious fault, as *has the ~ of gluttony, drunkenness is not among his ~s, ~ is duly punished & virtue rewarded in fifth act, has no redeeming ~* (to relieve overpowering rectitude); defect, blemish, (of character, literary style, etc.); fault, bad trick, in horse etc., as *has no ~s, is free from ~, has*

que ~; (now rare) morbid state of physical system, as *inherited ~s of constitution*; (*V~*) buffoon in a MORALITY. [OF, f. *L vitium*]

vice', *n.*, & *v.t.* 1. Instrument with two jaws between which thing may be gripped usu. by operation of screw so as to leave the hands free for working upon it, as *bench ~* (attached to carpenter's or machinist's bench), *instantaneous-grip ~*, *grips like a ~*. 2. *v.t.* Secure (material) to be worked upon, or fig.) in ~. [(v.f. *n.*) ME, = screw, winding-stair, f. OF *vis* f. *L vitis* vine]

vice', *n.* (colloq.). = *VICE-president* etc.

vi'cé', *prep.* In the place of, as *gazetted as captain ~ Captain Jones promoted*. [L, abl. of *viz vicis* change]

vice-, *pref.* (= *prec.*) forming *nn.* w. sense 'person acting or qualified to act in place of or next in rank to', w. their derivv., as: ~ *ad'miral*, ADMIRAL of third grade; ~ *ad'miralty*, office of ~admiral || (~ *ad'miralty courts*, tribunals with admiralty jurisdiction in British colonial possessions); ~ *a'gent*; ~ *chair'man*(ship); || ~ *cham'berlain* (esp. deputy of lord chamberlain); ~ *chan'cellor*, (Univv.) deputy chancellor discharging most administrative duties, (Law, formerly) judge in chancery division of High Court of Justice, (R.-C. Ch.) cardinal at head of the branch of chancery in charge of bulls etc.; ~ *chan'cellorship*; ~ *con'sul*(ship); ~ *dean'*, subdean; ~ *go'vernor*; ~ *king'*, = VICEROY; ~ *pres'id*(ent)(ship); ~ *pres'i-dency*; ~ *prin'cipal*; ~ *queen'* (rare), woman acting as viceroy, viceroy's wife; ~ *re'gent*; ~ *reine* (-srân), viceroy's wife; ~ *she'rif*; ~ *treas'urer*(ship); ~ *war'den*.

viceg'renit (-sj; also -et), *a. & n.* (Person) exercising delegated power, deputy, as *regard the Pope as God's ~*. Hence ~CY *n.* [f. med. *L vicegerentem* nom. *ens* (prec. + *L gerere* carry on, see -ENT)]

vicenn'ial, *a.* Lasting, happening every, twenty years. [f. *L vicennium* period of 20 years (*viginti* 20 + *annus* year) + -AL]

vice'roy (-ar-), *n.* Ruler exercising royal authority in colony, province, etc., as (hist.) *V~ of India*. Hence *vice'ré'g'*AL, *vicero'y*AL, *aa.*, *vicero'y'alry*, ~SHIP, *nn.*, (-ar-). [OF (*VIC-* + *roy* king f. *L regem* nom. rex)]

vi'cé *vè's'a*, *adv.* or ellipt. sent. (The same is true, on the corresponding supposition, etc.) with the order of terms changed, the other way round, as *the man blames his wife & ~* (she him), *cat stole the dog's dinner & ~* (he hers), *calls black white & ~* (white black). [L, (*VIC*AL, *corres* abl. fem. p.p. of *vertere* turn)]

Vichy (water) (vè'shè), *n.* A mineral water. [Vichy in France]

vi'cinage, *n.* Neighbourhood, surrounding district; relation of ~ *neighbour*

[refresh. f. OF *voisinage* (*voisin* neighbour- ing f. L *vicinus* f. *vicus* village, quarter, + -AGE)]

vicin'ity, n. Surrounding district; nearness in place (*to*); close relationship (*to*). [f. L *vicinitatem* (as prec., see -TY)]

vi'cious (-shus), a. Of the nature of vice, morally evil or injurious, as ~ *tendencies*, *courses*, *life*; addicted to vice, as ~ *companions*; (of horse etc.) having vices; (of language, reasoning, etc.) incorrect, faulty, unsound, corrupt, as a ~ *style*, a *notoriously* ~ *manuscript*, ~ *CIRCLE*¹; ~ *union* (Surg.), faulty joining of fractured ends of bone, resulting deformity; bad-tempered, spiteful, as ~ *dog*, *mood*, *remarks*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF, f. L *vitiosus* (as VICE¹, see -OUS)]

viciss'itude, n. Change of circumstances esp. of fortune, as a *life marked by* ~s; (arch., poet.) regular change, alternation. Hence *vicissitud'inous* a. [f. L *vicissitudo* -*ditis* (*vicissim* by turns, as VICE⁴, see -TUDE)]

vic'tim, n. Living being sacrificed to a deity or in performance of religious rite; person, thing, injured or destroyed in pursuit of an object. In gratification of a passion etc., or as result of event or circumstance, as the ~s of his *relentless ambition*, *fell a ~ to his own avarice*, the ~s of *disease*, of a *railway accident*; prey, dupe, as *held the ~ in his talons*, the *numerous ~s of the confidence trick*. [f. L *victimā*]

vic'timize, v.t. Make (person etc.) the victim of a swindle etc. or of one's ambition, loquacity, etc.; (Trade-Un.) make (ringleader etc.) suffer by dismissal or other exceptional treatment. Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

vic'tor, n. (rhet.). Conqueror in battle or contest (also attrib., as ~ *troops*, *sword*). Hence vic'tress¹ n. [L (*vincere* vict-conquer, -OR³)]

victor'ia, n. 1. Low light four-wheeled carriage with seat for two & raised driver's seat & with falling top. 2. Kinds of gigantic water-lily. 3. Kinds of domestic pigeon. 4. V~ *Cross* (abbr. *V.C.*, pr. vē sē), decoration for conspicuous act of bravery founded by Queen V~ in 1856. [L, = victory (as prec.)]

Victor'ian, a. & n. Of, (person esp. author) living in, the reign of Queen Victoria (1837-1901); =EARLY-~; ~ *Order* (founded by Queen Victoria in 1896 & conferred usu. for great service rendered to sovereign). [-AN]

victorine' (-ēn), n. (hist.). Woman's fur tippet with long narrow ends. [f. 1849; perh. named f. Queen Victoria]

victor'ious, a. Conquering, triumphant; marked by victory (~ *day* etc.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *victoriosus* f. L *victoriosus* (VICTORIA, -OUS)]

vic'tory, n. Defeat of enemy in battle or opponent in contest, as *battle ended in a*

decisive ~, *fought hard for ~*, *hero of many victories*, (fig.) *gained a or the ~ over his passions*, *Cadmean* or *PYRRHIC*¹ ~, *MORAL* ~; (V~), (statue of) goddess of ~ (*winged* etc. V~). [f. OF *victoria* f. L VICTORIA]

virtual (vi'tl), n. & v.t. & 1. (-ll-). 1. (Usu. pl.) food, provisions. 2. vb. Supply with ~s, obtain stores, eat ~s. Hence ~LESS a. [(vb f. n.) ME & OF *vitaille* f. LL *virtualia* neut. pl. (taken as fem. sing.) of *virtualis* of nourishment (L *victus* -*us* food f. *vivere* live, see -AL)]

virtualier (vit'ler), n. One who furnishes virtuals, || esp. *licensed* ~, public-house-keeper licensed to sell spirits etc.; ship employed to carry stores for other ships. [f. OF *virtuailler* (prec., -OR³)]

virtualing (vit'ling), n. In vbl senses; || ~-*bill*, custom-house warrant for shipment of bonded stores; || ~-*note* (Nav.), order authorizing ship's steward to *virtual* a seaman; || ~-*office* (for supplying provisions to navy); || ~-*yard* (adjoining dockyard, for naval stores). [-ING¹]

vicu'gna, -u'ña, (-kōnya), n. S.-Amer. mammal allied to llama & hunted for its flesh & wool; ~ *wool* (Commerc.), mixture of wool & cotton, also wool of the ~. [Sp. f. Peruv.]

vid'ē (or -ē), vb Imperat. (abbr. v.). (In formal or joc. reference to passage in book etc.) see, as ~ *supra*, *infra*, see above, below, quod⁸ ~, ~ *the press passim*. [L, Imperat. of *videre*]

vidēl'icēt, adv. (abbr. viz, usu. spoken as *namely*). That is to say, in other words, namely, (usu. following words that promise or more or less clearly require explanation etc. as: *under the following conditions*, *viz that* etc.; a *permanent board of three*, *viz*, etc.; opp. to *i.e.*, which introduces rather optional explanation). [L (*videre* licet one may see)]

|| **vidette**. See VEDETTE.

vid'imus, n. (pl. -es). Inspection of accounts etc.: abstract of document etc. [L, = we have seen (*videre*)]

vie, v.i. (*vying*). Strive for superiority, carry on rivalry, (*with another in quality, in doing*). [ME (en)vien f. OF *envier* IN-VITE]

Viennese' (-z), a. & n. (pl. same). (Inhabitant) of Vienna. [-ESE]

vi et arm'is, adv. (law). With force & arms, with violence. [L]

view (vū), n. & v.t. 1. Inspection by eye, survey. (*of surroundings* etc.). (Law) inspection by jury of place, property, etc., concerned in a case, or of dead body. 2. Power of seeing, range of vision, as *stood in full ~ of* (visible to) *the crowd*, *came in ~ of* (where one could be seen from or see) *the castle*, *passed from our ~* (sight); what is seen, scene, prospect, as a *superb ~*; picture etc. representing this. 3. Mental survey, as *take a general ~ of the subject*; manner of considering a sub-

ject, opinion, mental attitude, as *takes a different ~, his ~ is that we are the aggressors, takes a favourable ~ of her conduct, holds extreme ~s* (in politics etc.). 4. Intention, design, as *will this meet your ~s?*, *cannot fall in with your ~s, cat has ~s upon the larder*. 5. In ~ of, having regard to, considering, as *in ~ of recent developments we do not think this step advisable*, (vulg.) = *with a ~ to* (1), (see also above); *on ~, open to inspection; with a ~ to*, (1); also *with the ~ of*; *vulg. with a ~ of* for the purpose of, as a step towards, as *with a ~ to extending* (vulg. *extend*) *our trade, with a ~ to further hostilities*, (2) in the hope or on the chance of getting, *with an eye to*, as *said this with a ~ to the vacant secretaryship*, (3, vulg.) = *in ~ of*; *to the ~, openly, in public*. 6. *bird's-eye ~*; *dissolving ~s* (see DISSOLVE); *have in ~*, have as one's object, also, bear (circumstance) in mind in forming judgement etc.; *POINT*¹ of ~; *private ~* (of picture exhibition, open only to exhibitors' friends, critics, etc.); *~finder*, part of camera showing limits of picture; *~halloo*, huntsman's shout on seeing fox break cover. 7. v.t. Survey with the eyes; survey mentally, form mental impression or judgement of, as *subject may be ~ed in different ways, does not ~ the matter in the right light, he or the proposal is ~ed unfavourably*. Hence ~ABLE (vū'abl) a., ~ER¹ (vū'er) n., (esp.) televiewer. [(v) f. n.,] AF. f. OF *vue* p.p. as n. f. *voir* see f. L *videre*]

view'less (vū-), a. (poet., rhet.). Invisible. [-LESS]

view' (vū-), a. (colloq.). Given to odd or fanciful views, faddy. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y³]

vi'gil, n. Keeping awake during the time usually given to sleep, watchfulness, as *keep ~*; (usu. pl.) nocturnal devotions; eve of a festival, esp. eve that is a fast. [f. OF *vigile* f. L *vigilia* (vigil awake)]

vi'gilance, n. Watchfulness, caution, circumspection, so ~ANT a., ~ANTLY² adv.; (Med.) insomnia; ~ance committee, self-organized body for maintenance of order etc. in imperfectly organized community. [F, f. L *vigilantia* (*vigilare* watch, as prec., -ANON)]

***vi'gilan'té**, n. Member of a vigilance committee. [Sp.]

vignett'e (vēnyēt'), n., & v.t. 1. (Archit.) ornament of leaves & tendrils; flourishes round capital letter in MS.; engraved illustration, esp. on title-page of book, not enclosed in definite border; photograph or portrait showing only head & shoulders with background gradually shaded off; (fig.) character sketch. 2. v.t. Make portrait of (person) in ~e style, shade off (portrait) thus, whence ~ER²(2), ~IST, nn. [F, dim. as VINE]

viger's's, adv. (mus.). With vigour. [It.]

vig'our (-ger), n. Active physical strength or energy; flourishing physical condition; healthy growth, vitality, vital force; mental strength or activity as shown in thought or speech or literary style, forcibleness, trenchancy, animation. Hence or cogn. **vig'orous**, ~LESS (-ger-), aa., **vig'orously**² adv., **vig'orously**NESS n. [AF. f. L *vigorem* (*vigere* be lively, see -OR¹)]

vik'ing, n. Northern sea robber of 8th to 10th c. Hence ~ISM(2) n. [f. ON *vikingr*, perh. f. OE *wicung* (*wic* camp, -ING³)]

vila'yēt (-lahyēt), n. Province of Turkish empire. [Turk., f. Arab. *waldyet* district]

vile, a. Worthless; morally base, depraved, shameful, abject, as *the ~ trade of an informer, sycophant's ~ practices, the ~st of mankind*; (colloq.) abominably bad, as *a ~ pen, ~ pastry*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OF (*vil* vile), f. L *vilis*]

vil'ify, v.t. Defame, traduce, speak ill of; (rare) degrade, debase. Hence ~FI-CATION, ~FIER¹, nn. [f. LL *vilitare* (prec., -FY)]

vil'ipend, v.t. (literary). Treat contemptuously, disparage. [f. L *villipendere* (as *VILE* + *pendere* weigh)]

vill'a, n. Country residence; detached suburban house. Hence ~DOM n., suburban society. [L = farmhouse, cf. *vicus* village]

vill'age, n. Assemblage of houses etc. larger than hamlet & smaller than town. [ME & OF f. L *villaticus* of a VILLA (see -AGE)]

vill'ager, n. Inhabitant of a village (usu. implying rusticity). [-ER¹]

vill'ain (-an), n. & a. 1. Person guilty or capable of great wickedness, scoundrel, as *has played the ~, plays the ~s in melodramas*, (colloq., playful) *you little etc. ~* (rascal); || (arch.) rustic, boor; (Hist., also *villein* a. & n.) feudal serf, tenant holding by mental services, so *vill'a*(i)M-AGE (-lan-), -e(i)MAGE (-lan-), n. 2. adj. Of, done by, a ~, as ~ services. [ME & OF *vilain* f. pop. L *villanus* farm-servant (as VILLA, see -AN)]

vill'ainous (-lan-), a. Worthy of a villain, vile, wicked, so **vill'ainy**² (-lan-) n.; (colloq.) abominably bad, as *a ~ scoundrel, style, hotel*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-OUS]

villanell'e, n. Form of (esp. French) poem of 19 lines on two rhymes. [F, f. It. *villanella*]

vill'aggiator'a (-jatoora), n. Stay, retirement, in the country. [It.]

vill'eln (-lin), a. & n. See VILLAIN.

vill'us, n. (pl. ~i). (Anat.) each of the short hairlike processes on some membranes esp. on mucous membrane of intestine; (Bot., pl.) long soft hair covering fruit, flower, etc. Hence or cogn. ~IFORM, ~OID, ~OUS¹, ~OUS, aa., ~ous-TRY n. [L = shaggy hair]

vīm, n. (colloq.). Vigour. [L. acc. of **vis**] **vīm'inal**, a. (bot.). Of, producing, twigs or shoots. So **vīmīn'rous** a. [f. L. *viminālis* (*vimen* = *minis* osler)]

vī'na (vē-), n. Indian seven-stringed musical instrument with fretted finger-board & a gourd at each end. [Hind.]

vīnā'ceous (-shus), a. Of wine or grapes; wine-red. [f. L. *vinaceus* (*vinum* wine, -ACEOUS)]

vīnagrētte' (-nig-), n. Bottle for holding aromatic vinegar etc., smelling-bottle. [F, dim. of *vīnagre* VINEGAR]

vīn'cible, a. (rare). Not invincible. [f. L. *vincibilis* (*vincere* conquer, see -BLE)]

vīn'cūlum, n. (pl. -la). (Alg.) line drawn over several terms to show that they have a common relation to what follows or precedes (e.g. $a+b \times c = ac + bc$, but $a+b \times c = a+bc$; $a-b \div c = a-b-c$); (Print.) = BRACE²; (Anat.) = FRAENUM. [L. = bond (*vincire* bind)]

vīndicāte, v.t. Maintain the cause of (person, religion, etc.) successfully; establish the existence or merits or justice of (one's veracity, courage, conduct, character, assertion). Hence or cogn. ~**ABILITY**, ~**ACTION**, ~**ATOR**², ~**ATRESS**¹, nn., ~**ABLE**, ~**ATIVE**, aa. [f. L. *vindicare* (VIM + *dicare* assert, proclaim) lay claim to, see -ATE²] **vīndicātōry**, a. Tending to vindicate; (of laws) punitive. [-ORY]

vīndic'tive, a. Revengeful, given to revenge; ~ (or *exemplary*) **damages** (awarded as punishment to defendant). Hence ~**LY**² adv., ~**NESS** n. [f. L. *vindicta* vengeance (VINDICATE) + -IVE]

vīne, n. Climbing woody-stemmed plant whose fruit is the grape (*under one's ~ & fig-tree*); any plant with slender stem that trails or climbs, as *hop*, *melon*, ~ ~**borer**, kinds of insect destroying ~ ~**disease**, due to PHYLOXERA etc. Hence **vīn'y**² a. [f. OF *vigne* f. L. *vinca* vineyard (*vinum* wine)]

vīn'egar, n., & v.t. 1. Acid liquid got from wine, cider, etc., by acetous fermentation & used as condiment or for pickling (fig., often attrib., as type of sourness, as a ~ *countenance*); **aromatic** ~ (holding camphor etc. in solution); **toilet** ~, aromatic ~ used for mixing with washing-water etc.; **MOTHER**² of ~; *V ~ Bible*, 1717 ed. with *parable of the ~* (for vineyard) above *Luke XX*; ~**REL**; ~**plant**, microscopic fungus producing fermentation. Hence ~**ISER**¹, ~**Y**², aa. 2. v.t. Apply ~ to, make sour like ~ (lit. & fig.). (f. OF *vīnagre* (vin wine f. L. *vinum* + *agre*, see EAGER)]

vīn'ery, n. Vine greenhouse. [-ERY]

vīne'yard (-ny-), n. Plantation of grape-vines. [VINE + YARD]

vīngt-et-un (see Ap.), n. Card game in which the object is to reach the number of 21 pips without exceeding it. [F, = 21]

vīnī'z comb. = L. *vinum* wine, as: ~**cult'ure**, cultivation of vines, so ~**cult'urist**;

vīnī'ferous, (of district) wine-producing; ~**stall'or**, apparatus for collecting alcoholic vapours in wine-making.

vīnōm'eter, n. Apparatus for measuring alcohol in wine. [f. L. *vinum* wine + -METER]

vīs ordināire (see Ap.), n. Cheap (usu. red) wine as drunk in France mixed with water. [F]

vīn'ous, a. Of, like, due to, wine, as ~ *flavour*, *fermentation*, *eloquence*. So **vīnos'ity** n. [f. L. *vinosus* (*vinum* wine, see -OUS)]

vīnt¹, v.t. Make (wine). [f. VINTAGE]

vīnt², n. A Russian card-game. [Russ., = screw]

vīn'tage, n. Season of gathering grapes; (wine made from) season's produce of grapes; ~ *wines* (of well-known ~s); (poet., rhet.) wine. [f. OF *vendange* f. L. *vindemia*; altered from *vintrier*]

vīn'tager, n. Grape-gatherer. [prec., -ER¹]

vīn'tner, n. Wine-merchant. [earlier *vīnter* f. OF *vinetier* f. L. *vinum* wine, *vinetum* vineyard, see -ARY¹]

vī'ol, n. Medieval (usu. 6-stringed) musical instrument, predecessor of violin etc. (*treble*, *tenor*, *bass*, ~); *bass* ~ (mod.), = VIOLONCELLO. [f. OF *vièle*, *viole*, etym. dub., cf. LL *vitula*, & FIDDLE]

vīol'a¹, n. 1. Kind of large violin, alto or tenor violin. 2. (hist.). = prec.; ~ *da braccio*, ~, (alto) violin; ~ *da gamba*, bass viol. [It., as prec.]

vī'ola², n. Kinds of plant including pansy, esp. of single colour, & violet. [L. = violet]

vīolā'ceous (-shus), a. Of violet colour; of violet family. [f. L. *violaceus* (prec., -ACEOUS)]

vī'oljāte, v.t. Transgress, infringe, act against the dictates or requirements of (oath, treaty, law, terms, conscience); treat profanely or with disrespect (sanctuary etc.); break in upon, disturb, (person's privacy etc.); commit rape upon, ravish. So ~**ABLE** a., ~**ACTION**, ~**ATOR**², nn. [f. L. *violare* (VIS), see -ATE²]

vī'olence, n. Quality of being violent; violent conduct or treatment, outrage, injury, as *was compelled to use ~*, *did ~ to* (outraged, acted contrary to) *his feelings*, *our principles*; (Law) unlawful exercise of physical force, intimidation by exhibition of this. [OF, f. L. *violentia* (as foll., see -ENCE)]

vī'olent, a. Marked by great physical force, as a ~ *storm*, *came into ~ collision*, ~ *blows*; ~ *death* (resulting from external force or from poison, cf. NATURAL); marked by unlawful exercise of force, as *laid ~ hands on him*; intense, vehement, passionate, furious, impetuous, as ~ *pain*, *sickness*, *abuse*, *controversy*, *discrepancy*, *revulsion*, *contrast*, *dislike*, *shock*, apt to form ~ *attachments*, is of or was in a ~ *temper*; ~ *presumption* (Law), one resting

on almost conclusive evidence. Hence ~LY²adv. [OF, f. L *violentus* (vis, -LENT)]

vi'olèt, n. & a. 1. Kinds of plant chiefly of genus *Viola*, with blue, purple, white, or other flowers, as *common blue* ~, *sweet* ~, *dog* ~. 2. (Of) the colour seen at end of spectrum opposite red, produced by slight admixture of red with blue, so *violaceous*. 3. Kinds of ~ butterfly. 4. ~ *powder*, toilet powder scented with orris or other perfume; ~ *wood*, myall & other kinds. [f. OF *violette* (flower) & *violet* (colour), dimm. of *viol* f. L *Viola*²]

violin¹, n. Musical instrument with 4 strings of treble pitch played with bow; (also ~IST n.) player on ~, as *first*, *second*, ~ (playing separate parts in orchestra etc.). [f. It. *violino* dimm. of *Viola*¹]

violin², -ine, n. Emetic substance contained in sweet violet. [f. F *violine* (*Viola*² + -IN)]

vi'olist, n. Performer on viol(a). [-IST]

violoncell¹ [vè-, -chè-], n. (usu. abbr. 'cello; pl. ~os). Bass violin, 4-stringed instrument held between player's knees. Hence ~IST(3) n. [It., dimm. of *violone* large viol (*Viola*¹, see -OON)]

vip'er, n. Kinds of venomous snake esp. *common* ~, adder, the only poisonous snake in Gt Britain; (fig.) malignant or treacherous person. Hence or cogn. ~IFORM, ~INE¹, ~ISH¹ (fig.), ~OID, ~OUS (fig.), aa. [f. OF *vipera* f. L *vipera*, perh. as *VIPAROUS*]

vir'ag¹, n. (pl. ~s). Turbulent woman, termagant; || (arch.) woman of masculine strength or spirit. [L = female warrior (*vir* man)]

vir'elay, n. Kinds of (esp. old French) poem with two rhymes to a stanza variously arranged. [f. OF *virclai*, -li]

vir'èò, n. (Kinds of) small greenish-coloured American singing bird (also *greenlet*). [L, perh. = greenfluch]

vir'escence, n. Greenness; (Bot.) abnormal greenness in petals etc. normally of some bright colour. So ~ENT a. [f. L *virescere* become green (*virere* be green, see -ESCENT, -ENCR)]

vir'igate¹, a. (nat. hist.). Slim, straight, & erect. [f. L *virgatus* rodlike (*virga* rod, -ATR²)]

vir'igate², n. (hist.). A varying measure of laud. [f. L *virga* rod + -ATE¹, cf. *VERGER*]

Virgil'ian, a. Of, in the style of, the Roman poet Virgil (d. 19 B.C.). [f. L *Virgilianus* (*Virgilius* Virgil, -AN)]

vir'gin, n. & a. 1. Person esp. woman who has had no sexual intercourse, whence or cogn. ~HOOD, *virgin* TR, nn.; member of any order of women under a vow to remain ~s; the (*Blessed*) V~ (*Mary*) (abbr. *B.V.M.*), mother of Christ; picture, statue, of the B.V.M.; female insect producing eggs without impregnation; (Astron., V~) = *virgo*; ~'s bower, = *TRAVELLER'S* joy. 2. adj. That is a ~; of,

befitting, a ~, as ~ *modesty*; undefiled, spotless; not yet used or tried, as ~ *soil*, ~ *clay* (not fired); (of insect) producing eggs without impregnation; ~ *comb* (that has been used only once for honey & never for brood); ~ *honey* (taken from ~ comb, also, drained from comb without heat or pressure); ~ *queen*, unfertilized queen bee; the V~ Queen, Queen Elizabeth. [f. OF *virgine* f. L *virginem*, nom. ~go, etym. dub.]

vir'ginal, a. & n. 1. That is or befits or belongs to a virgin, whence ~LY² adv. 2. n. (hist.). (Also ~s, pair of ~s) square legless spinet used in 16th-17th cc. [(adj.) OF, f. L *virginalis* (as prec., see -AL); origin of n. use unknown]

Vir'gin'ia, n. One of the U.S.; tobacco from ~a; ~a *creeper*, a woody vine cultivated for ornament. Hence ~AN a. & n. [f. VIRGIN (Queen) + -IA¹]

vir'gin'ibus p'acris'que, L. phr. (Addressed, suited) to girls & boys (i.e. respecting innocence).

Vir'gò, n. 1. Sixth zodiacal sign; a constellation. 2. ~ *in d'ca* (Law), virgin with hymen intact. [L = virgin]

virid'ès'cent, a. Greenish, tending to become green. Hence ~ENCE n. [f. LL *viridescere* (*viridis* green, see -ESCENT)]

virid'ity, n. Greenness, esp. of oysters etc. after feeding on certain vegetable organisms. [f. L *viridulus* (*viridis* green, see -TY)]

vir'ile (also vir'è), a. Of man as opp. to woman or child; of, having, procreative power; (of mind, character, literary style, etc.) having masculine vigour or strength. So *viril'ity* n. [OF (-il, -ile), f. L *virilis* (*vir* man, see -ILM)]

viril'ès'cent, a. (Of female animal) assuming in advanced age some male characteristics. So ~ENCE n. [f. L as prec., -ESCENT]

vir'ose, a. Poisonous, full of virus, so ~OUS a.; (Bot.) having fetid smell. [f. L *virosus* (VIRUS, see -OSE¹)]

virtu' (-ò), n. Love of fine arts; *articles of* ~ (interesting from workmanship, antiquity, rarity, etc.). [f. It. *virtù* VIRTUE, virtue]

virt'ual, a. That is such for practical purposes though not in name or according to strict definition, as *is the ~ manager of the business, take this as a ~ promise, constitutes a ~ exculpation; ~ focus* (Optics), point at which the lines of a pencil of rays would meet if produced; ~ *velocity* or *displacement*, infinitesimal displacement of the point of application of a force measured in the direction of that force. Hence ~ITY (-àl) n., ~LY² adv. [f. med. L *virtualis* (irreg. as foll., see -AL)]

virt'ue, n. Moral excellence, uprightness, goodness, as ~ *is its own reward*, *make a ~ of necessity*, feign alacrity or sense of duty while acting under

compulsion; particular moral excellence, as *patience is a ~, she has every ~, the (seven) cardinal ~s* (natural ~s, justice, prudence, temperance, fortitude; theological ~s, faith, hope, charity); chastity esp. of women, as *a woman of ~*; good quality, as *has the ~ of being adjustable, of resisting temperature*; inherent power, efficacy, as *no ~ in such drugs*; (pl.) seventh ORDER¹ of angels; *by or in ~ of*, on the strength of, on the ground of, as *claims it in ~ of his long service, is entitled to it by ~ of his prerogative*. Hence ~LESS (-l̄l-) a. [f. F *vertu* f. L *virtutem* nom. -tus (vir, see VIRILE)]

virtuōs'ō, n. (pl. -si pr. -sē). Person with special knowledge of or taste for works of art or virtu; person skilled in the mechanical part of a fine art. Hence **virtuōs'ITY**, ~SHIP, nn. [It. (as VIRTU, see -OSE¹)]

virt'uous, a. Possessing, showing, moral rectitude; chaste. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [f. OF *vertuous* f. LL *virtuosus* for -tulosus (as VIRTUE, see -OUS)]

vir'ul'ent (or -rōb-), a. Poisonous; caused by or containing virus, as ~ent ulcer, so [irreg.] ~if'EROUS a. (med.); malignant, bitter, as ~ent animosity, tone, abuse. Hence or cogn. ~ENCE n., ~ently¹ adv. [f. L *virulentus* (foll., see -LENT)]

vir'us, n. Morbid poison, poison of contagious disease, as *smallpox ~*; (fig.) moral poison; (fig.) malignity, acrimony. [L. = poison]

vīs, n. (mech.). ~ INERTIAE; ~ *mort'ua*, force that does no work, dead force; ~ *viv'a*, living force (= mass × square of velocity) of moving body. [L. = force]

visa. Now usu. form of VISÉ.

vis'age (-z-), n. (now chiefly literary). Face, countenance. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-zj'd) a. [OF, f. L *visus* look (vidēre vis- see), see -AGE]

visard. See VISOR.

vis-à-vis (vêz'ahv'é), adv. & n. 1. In a position facing one another; opposite to. 2. n. Person facing another esp. in some dances; kinds of carriage & couch in or on which persons sit facing each other. [F. = face to face (vis face f. L as VISAGE)]

viscāch'a, viz-, n. S.-Amer. burrowing rodent with valuable fur. [of native orig.]

vis'cer'a, n. pl. The interior organs in the great cavities of the body (e.g. brain, heart, liver), esp. in the abdomen (e.g. the intestines). Hence ~AL a., ~I-, ~O-, comb. forms. [L, pl. of *viscus* -eris]

vis'cerāte, v.t. Disembowel. [prec., ~ATE¹]

vis'cid, a. Sticky; semifluid. So ~ITY (-id¹) n. [f. LL *viscidus* (L *viscum* mistletoe, birdlime, & see -ID¹)]

vis'cin, n. Sticky substance got from mistletoe & used in birdlime. [F, f. *viscum*, prec., -IN]

vis'cōse, n. (In the manufacture of rayon) cellulose reduced to a viscous state (suitable for drawing into yarn) by treatment with sodium hydroxide solution & carbon disulphide. [f. obs. *viscoe* a. f. L as VISCOSUS]

viscōs'it'y, n. Stickiness; (Physics, of fluids, semifluids, & gases) internal friction, power of resisting a change in the arrangement of the molecules, whence **viscōm'ETER**, **viscōm'ETRY**, **viscosim'ETER**, nn. [f. OF *viscosile* (as VISCOS, see -RY)]

vis'count (vik-), n. Noble ranking between earl & baron. Hence or cogn. ~CY, ~ESS¹, ~SHIP or ~Y¹, nn., {vik-}. [f. OF *visconte* (VICE- + counte COUNT¹)]

vis'cous, a. Sticky; (Physics) having viscosity. Hence ~NESS n. [f. L *viscosus* (as VISCID, see -OUS)]

visé (vêz'ā), **visa** (vêz'a), n., & v.t. {-ēd, -sēd, -sa'd}. 1. Indorsement on port etc. showing that it has been found correct. 2. v.t. Mark with ~. [(-ēd) p.p. of F *viser* inspect f. L *vidēre* vis- see]

vis'ible (-z-), a. That can be seen by the eye; that can be perceived or ascertained, apparent, open, as *has no ~ means of support, spoke with ~ impatience*; prepared to receive callers (*is she ~?*); *the ~ church*, whole body of professed believers; ~ *horizon*, the line that bounds sight; ~ *speech*, system of alphabetical characters designed to represent all possible articulate utterances. Hence or cogn. **visibil'ITY** (in adj. senses, & esp., Meteorol., Naut., conditions of light & atmosphere as regards distinguishing of objects by sight), ~NESS, nn., **vis'ibly**¹ adv., (-z-). [OF, f. LL *visibilis* (vidēre vis- see, see -BLE)]

vis'ion (-zhn), n., & v.t. 1. Act or faculty of seeing, sight, as *beyond our ~, has impaired his ~, the field of ~*, all that comes into view when the eyes are turned in some direction, *reflected, refracted*, ~ (as affected by reflected, refracted, rays of light); thing seen in dream or trance; supernatural or prophetic apparition, phantom; thing seen in the imagination, as *romantic ~s of youth, had ~s of roast beef & plum pudding*; (without article) imaginative insight, statesmanlike foresight, political sagacity. 2. v.t. See, present, (as) in a ~. [(vb f. n.) OF, f. L *visionem* (vidēre vis- see, see -ION)]

vis'ionar'y (-zh-), a. & n. 1. Given to seeing visions or to indulging in fanciful theories; existing only in a vision or in the imagination, imaginary, fanciful, impractical. 2. n. (Also ~IST n.) ~any person. Hence or cogn. ~AL a., ~al'ly¹ adv., ~ar'INESS n., (-zh-) [-ARY¹]

vis'it (-z-), v.t., & n. 1. Go, come, to see (person, place, etc., or abs.) as act of friendship or ceremony, on business, or from curiosity, as *have never ~ed us, had no time to ~ the Tower, hope to ~ Rome*;

go, come, to see for purpose of official inspection or supervision or correction; (of disease, calamity, etc.) come upon, attack; (Bibl.) punish (person, sin), avenge (his sins etc.) upon person, comfort, bless, (person with salvation etc.).

2. n. Call on a person or at a place, temporary residence with person or at place, as *was on a ~ to some friends, paid him a long ~, during his second ~ to the East*; formal or official call for purpose of inspection etc., as DOMICILIARY ~, right of ~ (see VISITATION). Hence ~ABLE a. [(n. f. F visite) f. OF visiter f. L visitare frequent. of *visere* f. *videre* vis-see]

vis'itant (-z-), a. & n. 1. (poet.). Visiting. 2. n. Migratory bird; (poet., rhet.) visitor; (V-) member of an order of nuns concerned with education of young girls. [f. 1. as prec., -ANT]

visita'tion (-z-), n. Official visit of inspection or the like esp. bishop's examination of the churches of his diocese; (colloq.) unduly protracted visit or social call; boarding of vessel belonging to another State to learn her character & purpose (right of ~ or visit, right to do this, not including right of search); divine dispensation of punishment or reward, notable experience compared to this; (Ecol.) festival in honour of visit of B.V.M. to Elizabeth (Luke 1. 39); (Zool.) unusual & large migration of animals; *Nuns of the V-*, = VISITANTS; *V- of the Sick*, office of Anglican Church. [OF, f. LL visitationem (as VISIT, see -ATION)]

vis'iting (-z-), n. Paying visits, making calls; *have a ~, acquaintance with, be on ~ terms with*, know well enough to visit; ~book (for names of persons to be called upon); || ~card, small card with one's name, address, etc., left in making call etc. [-ING¹]

vis'itor (-z-), n. One who visits a person or place; || (in colleges etc.) official with the right or duty of occasionally inspecting & reporting, whence or cogn. visit-(at)OR¹IAL aa.; || ~s' book, book in hotel, boarding-house, etc., in which ~s write remarks. [f. OF visiteur (as VISIT, see -OR³)]

vis'or (-z-), -zor, vis'ard (-z-), -zard, n. (Hist.) movable part of helmet covering face; projecting front part of cap; (Hist.) mask. Hence vis'ORED² (-zard), vis'ORLESS (-z-), aa. [ME & AF viser (F vis face, see VIS-1-VIS)]

vis'ita, n. Long narrow view as between rows of trees; long succession of remembered or anticipated events etc., mental prospect or retrospect, as *opened up new ~s or a new ~ to his ambition, searched the dim ~ of his childhood*. Hence ~'d [-ED¹] a. [It., = sight, n. & fem. p.p. of *vedere* see f. L *videre*]

vis'ual (-zhyôb- or -zû-), a. Of, concerned with, used in, seeing, as ~ nerve, organ;

~ ~ angle (formed at the eye by rays from the extremities of an object viewed); ~ field (of vision); ~ rays, lines of light supposed to come from object to eye; ~ point, point in the horizontal line in which the ~ rays unite. Hence ~RY (-âl-) n., ~LY² adv. [OF, f. LL visualis (*visus* -us sight f. *videre* see, see -AL)]

vis'ualize (-zhyôb- or -zû-), v.t. Make visible to the eye, give outward & visible form to, (mental image, idea, etc.); call up distinct mental picture of (thing imagined or formerly seen, or abs.). Hence ~ATION n. [-IZE]

vit'a glass (-ah-), n. Kind of glass by which the ultra-violet vitalizing rays of sunlight are not excluded as by ordinary glass. [P]

vit'al, a. & n. 1. Of, concerned with or essential to, organic life, as ~ energies, functions, ~ power (to sustain life), wounded in a ~ part; essential to existence or to the matter in hand, as a ~ question, question of ~ importance, secrecy is ~ to the success of the scheme; affecting life, fatal to life or to success etc., as a ~ wound, error; ~ centre (Med.), part in which wound appears to be instantly fatal, esp. respiratory nerve-centre in medulla oblongata; ~ force or principle (assumed to account for organic life); ~ statistics (of birth, marriage, death, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. pl. ~ parts, e.g. lungs, heart, brain. [OF, f. L vitalis (*vita* life, cogn. w. *vivere* live & Gk *bios* life, see -AL)]

vit'alism, n. (biol.). Doctrine that life originates in a vital principle distinct from chemical & other physical forces. So ~IST n., ~is'TIC a. [-ISM]

vital'ity, n. Vital power, ability to sustain life; (fig., of institution, language, etc.) ability to endure & to perform its functions. [f. L *vitalis* (as VITAL, see -TY)]

vit'alize, v.t. Endow with life. [-IZE]

vit'amin, n. Any of a number of accessory food factors chiefly of very complex chemical composition, present in many food-stuffs esp. in the raw state, & essential to the health of man & other animals; their absence from the diet is associated with malnutrition in various parts of the body or deficiency diseases. [f. L *vita* life + AMINE]

vitell'in, n. (chem.). Chief protein constituent of yolk of egg. [f. foll. + -IN]

vitell'ius, n. (pl. ~i). Yolk of egg, protoplasmic contents of ovum. Hence vit'ellary¹, ~INE¹, aa., ~I-, ~O-, comb. forms. [L = yolk]

vi'ti-in comb. = L *vitis* vine, as: ~cide, insect etc. destructive to vines; ~culture, grape-growing, so ~cul'tural a., ~cul'tur(al)ist nn.

vi'tiate (-shi-), v.t. Impair the quality of, corrupt, debase, contaminate, as *constitution ~ed by excess, ~ed air, blood, mind,*

judgement; make invalid or ineffectual, as a word may ~ a contract. So *VITIA'TION*, ~ON², nn., (-sh-). [f. L *vitare* (as *VICE*)¹, see -ATE¹]

vit'rous, a. Of (the nature of) glass; like glass in hardness, brittleness, transparency, structure, etc.; ~ *body* or *humour*, transparent jellylike tissue filling ball of eye; ~ *ELECTRICITY*. Hence or cogn. *vitreos'ITY*, ~NESS, *vitres'cence*, nn., *vitres'cent*, *vit'riform*(1), aa. [f. L *vitreus* (*vitrum* glass) + -OUS]

vit'rif'y, v.t. & i. Convert, be converted, into glass or glasslike substance. Hence or cogn. ~FAC'TION, ~FIABIL'ITY, ~FICA'TION, nn., ~FIABLE a. [f. F *vitriſter* (as prec., see -FY)]

vit'riol, n. Sulphuric acid or any of its salts; (fig.) caustic speech, criticism, etc.; *blue* or *copper* ~, copper sulphate; *white* ~, zinc sulphate; *oil* of ~, concentrated sulphuric acid; ~-throwing, throwing ~ in person's face as act of vengeance etc. Hence *vitriol'ic*, ~INE¹, aa. [ME & OF, f. med. L *vitriolum*, dim. of L *vitrum* glass]

vit'riolize, v.t. Convert into a sulphate, so ~ATE² v.t., ~A'TION n.; poison, burn, with vitriol. Hence ~IZABLE a., ~IZA'TION n. [-IZE]

Vitru'vian (-ōb-), a. Of Vitruvius, Roman architect of the Augustan age; ~ *scroll*, scroll pattern in frieze decorations etc. [-AN]

vitt'a, n. (pl. ~ae). (Rom. Ant.) fillet, garland, as decoration of priest, victim, statue, etc.; lappet of mitre; (Bot.) oil-tube in fruit of some plants; (Zool.) strips of colour. So ~ATE² a. [L]

vitup'er'ate, v.t. Revile, abuse. Hence or cogn. ~A'TION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ative a., ~atively² adv. [f. L *vituperare* (*vitium* cogn. w. *vitium* VIOU¹ + *parare* prepare), see -ATE²]

vi't'vā (vè-), int. & n. (The cry) long live —. [It., 3rd pers. imperat. of *vivere* live, cf. *VIVAT*]

viva². See *VIVA VOCE*.

vivace (vèvah'chā), adv. (mus.). In a lively manner. [It.]

vivā'cious (-shus), a. Lively, sprightly, animated, whence or cogn. ~LY² adv., *vivā'cious* n.; (Bot.) tenacious of life, surviving winter, perennial. [f. L *vivax* (*vivere* live, -ACIOUS)]

vivandière (vivahndyēr'), n. (hist.). Woman attached to continental esp. French regiment & selling provisions & liquor. [F]

vivā'rium, n. (pl. -ia). Place artificially prepared for keeping animals in their natural state, zoological garden or the like. [L (*vivus*, see *VIVIFY* & -ARIUM)]

vi'vāt, int. & n. (The cry) long live, as ~ *raz, ragina*, long live the king, queen. [L, 3rd sing. subj. of *vivere* live]

viv'a vè'cē, adv., a., & n. 1. Oral(ly).

2. n. (abbr. *viva*). Oral examination. Hence *viv'a(-vè'cē)* v.t., examine ~. [L, = with the living voice]

vive (vèv), int. Long live, as ~ *le roi* (the king), *qui vive*. [F, 3rd sing. imperat. of *vivere* live f. L *vivere*]

|| **viv'ers** (-z), n. pl. (Sc.). Food, victuals. [f. OF *vivres* (*vivere* live f. L *vivere*)]

vives (-vz), n. An ear disease esp. of young horses at grass. [f. F *avives* f. Sp. *avivas* f. Arab. *addhibah* (al the + *dhibah* she-wolf)]

viv'id, a. (Of light or colour) bright, intense, glaring, as ~ *flash* of lightning, of a ~ *green*; (of mental faculty or impression) clear, vigorous, strongly marked, as has a ~ *imagination*, gave a ~ *description*, have a ~ *recollection* of the scene. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *viduus* (*vivere* live, see -ID¹)]

viv'ify, v.t. Give life to, enliven, animate, (chiefly fig.). [f. F *vivifier* f. L *vivificare* (*vivus* living f. *vivere* live, see -FY)]

vivip'arous, a. (Zool.) bringing forth young alive, not hatching by means of egg, (cf. *Oviparous*); (Bot.) producing bulbs or seeds that germinate while still attached to parent plant. Hence *vivip'arity*, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *viviparus* (*vivus*, see prec., + *parere* bring forth) + -OUS]

viv'isect, v.t. Dissect (animal, or abs.) while living. [f. foll.]

vivisec'tion, n. Dissection of or (loosely) inoculation etc. tried upon living animals. Hence ~AL a., ~IST(2, 3), *viv'isector*², nn. [F, f. L *vivus*, see *VIVIFY*, + *SECTION*]

vi'vō (vè-), adv. (mus.). = *VIVACE*. [It.]

vix'en, n. She-fox; quarrelsome woman, termagant. Hence ~ISE¹, ~LY¹, aa. [OE **fuxen*, fem. of *fox*, cf. G *fuchsin*]

viz. See *VIDELICET*.

vizard. See *VISOR*.

vizaccha. See *VISCACHA*.

vizi(e)r' (-sēr), n. High official, esp. State minister, in Mohammedan countries; *grand* ~, prime minister in Turkish empire & other countries. Hence ~ATE¹(1), ~SHIP, nn., ~IAL a. [f. Turk. *vezir* f. Arab. *vazir* counsellor, orig. porter (*vazara* bear burden)]

Vlach (-āk), a. & n. Member of a SE. European Latin-speaking people, Walachian or Roumanian. [Slav., ult. f. OHG *Walh* foreigner, Celt, Italian, Latin]

vlei (flā), n. (S. Afr.). Hollow in which water collects during rainy season. [Du. dial., f. Du. *vlei* valley]

vōc'able, n. Word, esp. w. ref. to form rather than meaning. [F, f. L *vocabulum* (vocare call, cogn. w. *voc* vocis voice)]

vōcāb'ulary, n. (List, arranged alphabetically with definitions, of the principal) words used in a language or usu. in a particular book or branch of science etc., or by a particular author, as a *Library with notes* & ~, a word not found in the

Chaucerian ~, the ever-increasing scientific ~, his ~ (range of language) is limited. [f. med. L *vocalularius* (as prec., -ARY¹)]

vōcāl, a. & n. 1. Of, concerned with, uttered by, the voice, as a ~ communication, ~ auscultation (of the sounds of the voice as heard through walls of chest), ~ cords, folds of lining membrane of larynx about the opening of the glottis, ~ music (written for or produced by the voice with or without accompaniment), ~ thrill or fremitus, vibration of wall of chest in audible speech; (poet., of trees, water, etc.) endowed (as) with a voice; (Phonet.) voiced, sonant, (also) of vowel character. Hence or cogn. **vōcāl'ity** n., ~LY² adv.

2. n. Vowel, whence **vōcāl'io** a.; (R.-C. Ch.) person entitled to vote in certain elections. [f. L *vocalis* (as VOICE, see -AL)]

vōc'alism, n. Use of voice in speaking or singing; vowel sound. [-ISM]

vōc'alist, n. Singer (opp. to instrumentalist). [-IST]

vōc'alize, v.t. & i. Form (sound), utter (word), with the voice, esp. make sonant, as f is ~ed into v; write (Hebrew etc.) with vowel points; (joc.) speak, sing, hum, shout, etc.; (Mus.) sing florid passage to a vowel. So ~ATION n. [-IZE]

vōc'ation, n. Divine call to, sense of fitness for, a career or occupation, as felt no ~ (for the ministry), has never had the sense of ~, little or no ~ to literature; employment, trade, profession, as mechanical ~s, all ~s are overcrowded, mistook his (chose the wrong) ~. Hence ~AL (sho-) a., ~ally² adv. [f. L *vocationem* (vocare, see VOCABLE & -ATION)]

vōc'ative, a. & n. (gram.). (Case) employed in addressing person or thing. [f. L *vocativus* (vocare, see VOCABLE & -ATIVE)]

vōc'iferiāte, v.t. Utter (words etc., or abs.) noisily, shout, bawl. Hence or cogn. ~ANCE (rare), ~ATION, ~ATOR², nn., ~ANT(1) a. & n. [f. L *vociferari* (as VOICE + ferre bear)]

vōc'iferous, a. (Of person, speech, etc.) noisy, clamorous. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. prec. + -OUS]

vōd'ka, n. Kind of fiery brandy distilled from rye etc. & drunk in Russia. [Russ.]

|| **vōe**, n. (Shetland). Small bay, creek. [f. ON *vögr*]

vogue (vög), n., & v.i. 1. (Now chiefly literary) the prevailing fashion, as the ~ of large hats, large hats are the ~; popular use or reception, as has had a great ~; in ~, in fashion, generally current. 2. v.i. ~ la galère (-äp), here goes (lit. let the galley set forth). [F, orig. = course, f. *voguer* f. It. *vogare* row in galley]

voice, n., & v.t. 1. Sound uttered by the mouth, esp. human utterance in speaking, shouting, singing, etc., as heard a ~, did not recognise his ~, cried out in a loud ~, has lost her (esp. singing-) ~, is not in ~ (proper vocal condition for singing or

speaking), CHEST, HEAD¹, ~, the ~ of the cuckoo, veiled ~ (due to malformation etc.), (fig.) sea, storm, lifts up its ~, whence ~VOICE² (-st) a. 2. Use of the ~, utterance esp. in spoken or (fig.) written words, opinion so expressed, right to express opinion, as gave ~ to his indignation in a pamphlet, dog gave ~ to his joy, took it (natural phenomenon, calamity, popular outcry, etc.) for the ~ (expression of the will, resentment, etc.) of God, I count on your ~ (spoken or written support), I have no ~ in the matter, refused with one ~ (unanimously); (arch., rhet.) my ~ is for peace. 3. (phonet.). Sound uttered with resonance of vocal cords, not with mere breath. 4. (gram.). Set of forms of a verb showing relation of the subject to the action, as ACTIVE, PASSIVE, MIDDLE¹, ~. 5. v.t. Give utterance to, express, as was chosen to ~ their grievance, believe I am voicing the general sentiment when I say; (Mus.) regulate tone-quality of (organ pipes); (Phonet.) utter with ~, make sonant, (esp. in p.p.). [(vb f. n.) f. OF *vois* f. L *vocem*, nom. vox]

voice'ful (-st), a. (poet.). Sonorous. [-FUL]

voice'less (-sl-), a. Speechless, dumb, mute; (Phonet.) not voiced. Hence ~NESS [-]

void, a., n., & v.t. 1. Empty, vacant, as a ~ space, interval; (of office) vacant, as bishopric fell ~; (esp. Law, of deed, promise, contract, etc.) invalid, not binding, as null & ~; (poet., rhet.) ineffectual, useless; ~ of, lacking, free from, as a proposal wholly ~ of sense, his style is ~ of affection. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n.

2. n. Empty space, as vanished into the ~, (fig.) the aching ~ of his heart, cannot fill the ~ made by death. 3. v.t. Render invalid; emit (excrement etc.); (arch.) quit, evacuate. Hence ~ABLE a. [(vb f. OF *voider* f. OF *void(e)* perh. ult. f. L *vacuus* empty)]

void'ance, n. Ejection from benefice; vacancy in benefice; voiding. [OF (prec., -ANCE)]

void'ed, a. In vbl senses, also (Her., of bearing) having the central area cut away so as to show the field. [-ED¹]

voile (vwahl, voll), n. A thin semi-transparent cotton, woollen, or silken dress material. [F. = veil]

vōl'ant, a. (Zool.) flying, able to fly; (Her.) represented as flying; (poet.) nimble, rapid. [F. f. L *volare* fly, see -ANT]

Vōlapük' (-öbk), **Vōlapuk** (-öbk), n. Artificial international language invented about 1879 by J. M. Schleyer. Hence ~ERY(2, 3) n. [Vōlapük (vol world + -a- + pük speech)]

vōl'ar, a. (anat.). Of the palm or sole. [f. L *vola* palm, sole, + -AR¹]

vōl'atile, a. Evaporating rapidly, as ~ salts, ~ (=-менливъ) oil; (fig.) lively, gay, changeable, as ~ wit, ~ writer,

disposition. Hence or cogn. ~NESS, **vôla-til'ity**, nn. [OF (-*il*, -*ile*), f. L *volatilis* (*volare* -*al* fly, -*ile*)]

vôlât'iliz [e, v.t. & i. (Cause to) evaporate. Hence or cogn. ~ABLE a., ~A'TION n. [-*ize*]

vôl-au-vent (see Ap.), n. Kind of rich raised pie. [F]

vôlcân'ic, a. Of, like, produced by, a volcano; ~ic bomb, mass of lava usually rounded & sometimes hollow; ~ic glass, obsidian. Hence ~ICALLY adv., **vôlcân'i-city** n. [-*ic*]

vôlcân'ô, n. (pl. ~es). Mountain, hill, having opening(s) in earth's crust through which lava, cinders, water, gases, etc., are expelled continuously or at intervals (*active, dormant, extinct, ~; submarine ~*, originating beneath sea & rising above surface by accumulation). Hence **vôl-canism**(2), **vôl'canist**(3), **vôlcânôl'ogy**, nn., **vôlcânôl'ogical** a. [It., f. L as **VULCAN**]

vôle¹, n., & v.i. (In some card-games) winning of all the tricks in a deal; (vb) win all the tricks. [(vb f. n.) F, f. *voler* fly f. L *volare*]

vôle², n. Kinds of mouselike rodent; *water~*, large kind. [orig. ~mouse field-mouse, cf. Icel. *völur*, Norw. *voll*, Sw. *vall*, field]

vôl'et (-lâ), n. Panel, wing, of triptych. [F, = shutter, as **VOLÉ**¹]

vôl'itant, a. (zool.). = **VOLANT**. [f. L *volitare* frequent. of *volare* fly, see -ANT]

vôl'ition, n. Exercise of the will; power of willing. Hence ~AL, ~ARY¹, ~LESS, (-sho-), **vôl'itive**, aa., ~ally² adv. [F, f. med. L *volitionem* (wille wish, pres. volô, see -ITION)]

vôlks'lîed (f., -lît), n. Folk-song. [G]

vôlks'raad (f., -raht), n. (hist.). Legislative assembly of Transvaal & Orange Free State. [S.-Afr. Du.]

vôll'ey, n. (pl. ~s), & v.t. & i. 1. Simultaneous discharge of missiles, missiles so discharged; (fig.) noisy emission (of oaths etc.) in quick succession; (Tennis, Lawn tennis) return of ball in play before it touches ground; (Crick.) pitching of ball, ball pitched, right up to batsman or wicket without bouncing; *half~*, (Lawn tennis) return of ball as soon as it touches ground, (Crick.) ball so pitched that batsman may hit it as it bounces, hit so made, (v.t.) return, send, (ball, or abs.) thus; ~gun, machine gun discharging ~. 2. vb. Discharge (missiles, abuse, etc., or abs.) in ~; (Tennis, Crick.) return, send, (ball, or abs.) in ~; (of missiles) fly in a ~; (of guns etc.) sound together. [(vb f. n.) f. F *volée* flight (as **VOLÉ**¹, cf. -ADE)]

vôl'plane, n., & v.i. (Of aeroplane or its pilot) descent, descend, by gliding without use of engine. [f. F *vol plane* (vol flight, glider hover)]

vôlt¹, v.t., & n. Make a volte; (n., var. of) **VOLTE**. [**VOLTE**]

vôlt², n. Unit of electromotive force, the force that would carry one ampere of current against one ohm resistance. Hence ~METER n., instrument for measuring electric currents in ~s. [as **VOLTAIC**]

vôl'ta, n. (mus.; pl. -te pr. -tâ). *Una ~*, due etc. *volle*, once, twice etc.; *prima* etc. ~, first etc. time. [It.]

vôl'tage, n. Electromotive force expressed in volts. [-AGE]

vôltâ'ic, a. (chiefly hist.). Of electricity produced by chemical action, galvanic, as ~ battery, cell, FILE². [f. A. *Volta*, Italian physicist d. 1827, +*-ic*]

Vôltair'ianism, nn. Principles of Voltairre, scepticism. [-IAN, -ISM]

vôltâm'eter, n. Instrument for measuring electric currents by their electrolytic effects. [as **VOLTAIC**, -METER]

vôlte, n. (Fenc.) quick movement to escape thrust; circular tread of horse. [F, f. It. *volta* turn]

vôlte-face¹ (-tfa), n. Turning round, esp. (fig.) complete change of front in argument, politics, etc. [F]

vôl'ûble, a. (Of speech or speaker) fluent, glib, whence or cogn. **vôlûm'ity**, ~le-NESS, nn., ~LY² adv.; (arch.) revolving, rotating; (Bot., also **vôlû'bilate**² (-lô-), ~ile, aa.) twisting round a support, twining. [F, f. L *volubilis* (*volvere* roll, see -BLE)]

vôl'ûme, n. 1. Set of (usu. printed) sheets of paper bound together & forming part or the whole of a work or comprising several works (abbr. *vol.*), as *is now issued in 3 ~s*, *an odd ~ of Punch*, *library of 12,000 ~s*, **SPEAK ~s** (for); (Hist.) scroll of papyrus etc., ancient form of book. 2. (usu. pl.). Wreath, coil, rounded mass, of smoke etc. 3. Solid content, bulk, whence **vôlû'minal** (-lô-) a.; (Mus.) fullness of tone. Hence (-) **vôlû'men**² (-md) a. [OF, f. L *volumen* -*minis* roll (*volvere*, see prec.)]

vôlû'men'ôm'eter (-lô-), n. Instrument for measuring volume of a solid body by quantity of liquid etc. displaced. Hence ~OM'ETRY n. [Irreg. f. L as prec. +*-o-* + -METER]

vôlû'méter (-lô-), n. Kinds of instrument for measuring volume of gas. Hence **vôlû'met'ric**(AL) aa., **vôlû'met'rically**² adv. [Irreg. f. **VOLUME** + -METER]

vôlû'm'inos (or -lô-), a. Having coils or convolutions (of snakes, the brain, etc.; now rare); consisting of many volumes, as a ~ work; (of writer) producing many books; of great volume, bulky, (of drapery etc.) loose or ample. Hence **vôlû'minos'ity**, ~NESS, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. LL *voluminosus* (as **VOLUME**, see -OUS)]

vôl'untary, a. & n. 1. Done, acting, able to act, of one's own free will, not constrained, purposed, intentional, as a ~ gift, there was no ~ mis-statement, was a ~

agent in the matter, ~ (opp. to *compulsory*) *service, army*, ~ *confession* (of criminal, not prompted by promise or threat); brought about, produced, etc., by ~ action, as || ~ *school* (supported by ~ contributions), ~ *waste* (of property by tenant's deliberate act or order); (of limb, muscle, movement) controlled by the will; (Law) ~ *conveyance* (made without valuable consideration), ~ *grantee* (in ~ conveyance), ~ *partition* (by mutual agreement, not by judgement of court). Hence *völ'untarily*¹ adv., *völ'untari-NESS* n. 2. n. Organ solo played before, during, or after service; one who holds that the Church or the schools should be independent of the State & supported by ~ contributions, whence ~ism (S) n., reliance on ~ subscriptions & not on State aid for the maintenance of education, reliance on ~ enlisting & not on compulsion for raising naval & military forces, ~ism(2) n.; (in competitions) special performance left to performer's choice. [f. F *volontaire* f. L *voluntarius* (voluntas free will f. *velle* will, part. st. *volens*, +*unt-*, -ARY¹)]

völunteer', n., & v.t. & i. 1. Spontaneous undertaker of task etc.; person who voluntarily enters military or other service, esp. member of any of the corps of voluntary soldiers formerly organized in U.K. & provided with instructors, arms, etc., by government (often attrib., as ~ *corps, manoeuvres*); (attrib., of vegetation) growing spontaneously. 2. vb. Undertake, offer, (one's services, remark, explanation, etc., to do) voluntarily make voluntary offer of one's services (for campaign, purpose), be a ~. [(vb f. n.) as prec., w. assim. to -EER]

völüp'tüary, a. & n. Concerned with, (person) given up to, luxury & sensual gratifications. [f. L *volupt(u)arius* (as foll., see -ARY¹)]

völüp'tüous, a. Of, tending to, occupied with, sensuous or sensual gratification, as ~ *life, liver, music, beauty*. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. L *voluptuosus* (*voluptas* -atis pleasure, see -OUS; -u- as if f. vbl n. in -us; cf. *sensuous*, & *virtuous*)]

völütie', n. & a. 1. Spiral scroll characteristic of Ionic, Corinthian, & Composite capitals, whence ~ED² a.; kinds of (chiefly tropical) gasteropod often with beautiful shell, whence *völ'ütoid* a. & n. 2. adj. (bot.). Rolled up. [F, f. L *voluta* (*volvare* *volut-* roll)]

volu'tion (-lō-), n. Spiral turn; whorl(s) of spiral shell; (Anat.) convolution. [as prec., -ION]

vöm'er, n. (anat.). The small thin bone partitioning the nostrils in man and most vertebrates. [L, = ploughshare]

vöm'it, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Eject from stomach through mouth; puke, spew; (fig., of volcano, chimney, etc.) eject

violently, belch forth. 2. n. Matter ~ed from stomach; emetic; *black ~*, (black substance ~ed in) yellow fever; ~ *nut*, = *NUX VOMICA*. [(n. f. L *vomitūs* -ūs) f. L *vomere* -it-]

vöm'itorý, a. & n. 1. Emetic (a. & n.), so *vöm'itív* a. 2. n. (Rom. ant.). Each of a series of passages for entrance & exit in (amphitheatre. [f. L *vomitōrius* a., -um n., (as prec., see -ORY)]

vöm'ituri'tion, n. Inefficient attempt to vomit, retching; repeated vomiting. [VOMIT + L -ur-, desiderative, + -ITION]

vöö'döö, n., & v.t. 1. Use of, belief in, witchcraft & the like prevalent among W.-Ind. & U.S. creoles & Negroes; (also ~ *doctor*, ~ *priest*) person skilled in this. Hence ~ism, ~ist(2, 3), nn. 2. v.t. Affect by ~, bewitch. [(vb f. n.) Afr. *vodu*]

-*vora*. See -VOROUS.

vorá'cious (-shus), a. Greedy in eating, ravenous, (lit. & fig.), as *party* of ~ *trippers*, a ~ *appetite* for scandal, a ~ *whirlpool*. Hence or cogn. ~LY² adv., ~NESS, *vorá'city*, nn. [f. L *vorax* (*vorare* swallow, see -ACIOUS)]

-*vore*. See foll.

-*vorous*, suf. f. L -*vorus* (*vorare* swallow) + -ous, forming adj. w. senso 'feeding on', as *carni-*, *gramin-*; also -*vora*, in L neut. pl. names of animals classified by their food, as *herbivora*; also F & E -*vore* forming name of individual of such class, as *carnivore*.

vört'lex, n. (pl. ~ices, ~exes). Mass of whirling fluid, esp. whirlpool; (Physics) portion of fluid whose particles have rotatory motion; any whirling motion or mass, esp. (fig.) system, pursuit, etc., viewed as swallowing up or engrossing those who approach it, as *the ~ex of society*. ~ex (spiral arrangement of fibres at apex) of the heart; ~ex-ring, ~ex whose axis is a closed curve, e.g. smoke-ring puffed from smoker's lips or pipe. Hence ~ICAL, ~ICOSE¹, ~IC'ULAR¹ [-UL-], aa., ~ICALY² adv. [L, var. of VERTEX]

vört'icel, n. Bell-shaped animalcule found in stagnant water etc. [dim. f. prec.]

vört'icist, n. (Metaphys.) person regarding the universe, with Descartes, as a plenum in which motion propagates itself in circles; (Art) painter of recent school using vortices as the CUBIST uses cubes etc. So ~ISM n. [f. *vortic-* st. of L *VORTEX* + -IST]

vört'iginous, a. Whirling, vortical. [f. L *VERTIGO*, var., + -OUS]

vört'arj, n. Person vowed to the service of (God etc.); ardent follower, devoted adherent or advocate, (of system, pursuit, etc.). Hence ~ESS¹ n. [f. L as foll. + -ARY¹]

vöte, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Formal expression of will or opinion in regard to election of officer etc., sanctioning law, passing

resolution, etc., signified by ballot, show of hands, voice, or otherwise, as *shall give my ~ to or for the Labour candidate, passed without a dissentient ~*, CAST¹ ~, SPLIT¹ one's ~, CASTING-VOTE, TRANSFERABLE ~; opulion expressed, money granted, by majority of ~s, as *Government received a ~ of confidence, the army ~*; the collective ~s given or to be given by a party etc., as *will lose the Labour, Conservative, ~, the floating ~* (of persons not attached to a party); the right to ~, as *women now have the ~*; ticket etc. used for recording ~. Hence ~LESS a. 2. vb. Give a ~ (for, against, person or measure); enact, resolve, (that), grant (sum), by majority of ~s; (colloq.) pronounce, declare, by general consent, as *was ~d a failure*; (colloq.) propose (that); ~ down, defeat (measure) by ~s; ~ in, elect by ~s. Hence VOT'ABLE a., VOT'ER¹ n. [(n. f. nent. p.p. as noun = wish) f. L *vovere vot-vow*]

vot'ing, n. In vbl senses; ~-paper (used in ~ by ballot in election of M.P. etc.); CUMULATIVE ~. [-ING¹]

vot'ive, a. Offered, consecrated, in fulfilment of a vow, as ~ offering, tablet, picture. [f. L *votivus* (as VOTE, see -IVE)]

vouch, v.t. & i. Confirm, uphold, (statement) by evidence or assertion; answer for, be surety for, as *will ~ for the truth of this, for him or his honesty, can ~ for it that no step was taken*. [f. OF *vocher* f. L *vocare* call]

vouch'er, n. In vbl senses, esp. document, receipt, etc., establishing the payment of money or the truth of accounts. [AF (prec., -ER¹)]

vouchsafe, v.t. Condescend to grant, as ~d me no answer, ~ me a visit; condescend (to do). [VOUCH + SAFE, = guarantee securely]

voussoir (vʊ'swɔːr), n. Each of the wedge-shaped stones forming an arch. [f. OF *voussoir*, ult. f. L *volvere* roll]

vow, n., & v.t. 1. Solemn promise or engagement esp. in the form of an oath to God, as *baptismal ~s* (given at baptism by baptized person or by sponsors), *monastic ~* (by which monk binds himself to poverty, celibacy, & obedience), *lovers' ~s* (promises of fidelity), *am under* (have taken) a ~ to drink no wine; action, conduct, etc., promised by ~, as *is this your ~?* 2. v.t. Promise solemnly (thing, conduct), as ~ed a temple to Apollo, ~ obedience, vengeance against the oppressor; (arch.) utter, make, a ~; declare solemnly (that); (arch.) declare, as *I ~ you are most obliging*. [f. OF *vou*, *veu*, f. L as VOTE]

vow'el, n. Each of the more open sounds uttered in speaking, sound capable of forming a syllable, (opp. to, but not sharply divided from, consonant); letter representing this, as a, e, i, o, u; neutral (placed in second syllable of cousin,

reason, haddock); ~ gradation, = ABLAUT; ~ mutation, = UMLAUT; ~ point, each of a set of marks indicating ~s in Hebrew & other Oriental languages. Hence (-)~ I-ED² (-ld), ~LESS, ~LY², aa. [f. OF *vowel* f. L *vocalis* (littera) VOCAL (letter)]

vow'elize, v.t. Insert the vowels in (Hebrew etc., shorthand). [-IZE]

vōx, n. ~ *barb'ara* (Anat., Bot., etc.), hybrid or incorrectly formed word; ~ *et praet'erea nī'hīl*, a voice & nothing more (i.e., esp. an empty word); ~ *hūma'na* (-mā-, -mah-), organ-stop with tones supposed to resemble human voice; ~ *pōp'uli*, the people's voice (i.e. public opinion, the general verdict, popular belief, or rumour). [see VOICE]

voy'age, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Journey, esp. long one, by sea or water; *broken ~*, unsuccessful whaling etc. ~e. 2. vb. Travel, traverse, by water. Hence ~EARLE (-ija-) a., ~ER¹ n. [(vb f. F *voyager*) f. OF *viage* f. L *VIATICUM*]

voyageur (vwa'hyabzhə'), n. Man employed in transportation of goods & passengers between trading posts in the Hudson's Bay territory; Canadian boatman. [F]

vraisemblance (vrā'sabū'blāhns'), n. Appearance of truth, plausible appearance, verisimilitude. [F]

vril, n. A natural wonder-working force assumed in Lytton's *The Coming Race* to have been discovered. [arbitrary]

Vul'can, n. (Rom. Myth.) god of fire & metal-working; ~ powder, an explosive. [f. L *Vulcanus*, *Vu-*]

vulcanic etc. See vol-.

Vul'canist, n. (geol.). Holder of PLUTONIC theory. [f. F *vulcaniste* (VULCAN, -IST)]

vul'canite, n. Hard vulcanized rubber, ebonite. [-ITE¹]

vul'canize, v.t. Treat (rubber) with sulphur at high temperature to increase elasticity & strength & yield hard or soft flexible rubber. Hence ~ABLE a., ~'ATION, ~ER² (1, 2), nn. [-IZE]

vul'gar, a. Of, characteristic of, the common people, plebeian, coarse, low, as ~ expressions, mind, tastes, *flery*, an air of ~ prosperity, the ~ HERD¹, (abs.) the ~, the common people; in common use, generally prevalent, as ~ errors, *superstitions*, the ~ (national, esp. formerly as opp. to Latin) tongue, ~ FRACTION, the ~ (Christian) era. Hence or cogn. ~ISM (4, 2), vulgā'rITY, nn., ~LY² adv. [f. L *vulgaris*, eo-, (vulgas, eo-, common people, see -AR¹)]

vulgār'ian, n. Vulgar (esp. rich) person. [-IAN]

vul'garize, v.t. Make (person, manners, etc.) vulgar, infect with vulgarity; spoil (scene, sentiment, etc.) by making too common or frequented or well known. Hence ~'ATION n. [VULGAR + -IZE (3)]

Vul'gate, n. Latin version of the Bible

prepared by Jerome late in the 4th c. [f. *L. vulgata* (editio edition), fem. p.p. of *vulgare* make public (*vulgus*, see *VULGAR*)] || *vũl'gus*, n. (school sl.). Greek or Latin verse-exercise in some schools. [corrupt. of 16th-c. *vulgare* = vulgar-tongue (i.e. English) passages for rendering into Latin]

vũl'nerable, a. That may be wounded (lit. & fig.), susceptible of injury, not proof against weapon, criticism, etc.; (Contract Bridge) having won one game towards rubber & therefore being liable to higher penalties. Hence *~ability*, *~ableness*, nn. [f. LL *vulnerabilis* (*vulnerare* wound f. *vulnus* -eris wound, see -IBLE)]

vũl'nerarý, a. & n. (Drug, unguent, etc.) useful or used for healing wounds. [f. *L. vulnerarius* (*vulnus*, see prec. & -ARÝ)]

vũl'p'ine, a. Of (the nature of) a fox, so *~icide* (1, 2) n.; crafty, cunning. [f. *L. vulpinus* (*vulpes* fox, see -INE¹)]

vũl'tur'e, n. Kinds of large bird of prey with head & neck more or less bare of feathers feeding chiefly on carrion; (fig.) rapacious person. Hence or cogn. *~ine*¹, *~ish*¹, *~ous*, aa., (-cher-). [f. *L. vultur*]

vũl'v'a, n. (anat.). Opening, orifice, esp. of female genitals. Hence *~ar*¹, *~ate*², *~iform*, aa., *~itis* n., *~o-* comb. form. [L]

vying. See *VIE*.

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W (dũb'elydũ), letter (pl. *Ws*, *W's*).

|| *Waac* (wák), n. (colloq.). Member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (organized in 1917). [f. initials]

|| *Waaf* (wáf), n. (colloq.). Member of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force (organized in 1939). [f. initials]

wabble. See *WOBBLE*.

wác'ke (-ke), n. Kind of greyish-green or brownish clay resulting from decomposition of volcanic rock. [G, f. MHG *wacke* large stone]

wad (wød), n., & v.t. (-dd-). 1. Small lump of soft material used to keep things apart or in place or to stuff up opening, esp. disk of felt etc. keeping powder or shot compact in gun; * (sl.) roll of notes, money. 2. v.t. Press (cotton etc.) into ~ or wadding; line (garment, coverlet), protect (person, walls, etc.), with wadding (also fig., as *well ~ded with comest*); stop up (aperture, gun-barrel), keep (powder etc.) in place, with ~; ram (~) home. [cf. Sw. *vadd* wadding, G *watte*]

wa'dding (wød-), n. Spongy material usu. of cotton or wool used to stuff garments, quilts, etc., or to pack fragile articles in, cotton wool; material from which gun-wads are made. [-INE¹]

wadd'le (wød'l), v.i., & n. 1. Walk with

the rocking motion natural to fat short-legged person or to bird with short legs set far apart as duck or goose; hence *~ingly*¹ adv. 2. n. ~ing gait. [WAD + -LE(3)]

wa'ddý (wød-), n. Australian war-club. [native]

wá'de, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Walk through water or other impeding medium as snow, mud, sand (also fig., as *~ through slaughter or blood*, make one's way by massacre etc.; *~ through book*, read it in spite of dullness etc.; *~ in*, make vigorous attack on one's opponent; *~ into*, attack energetically); ford (stream) on foot, whence *wá'd'ABLE* a.; *wá'ding bird*, long-legged water-bird that ~s (opp. short-legged web-footed swimmers). 2. n. Spell of wading. [OE *wadan* wade, trudge, cf. Du. *waden*, G *waten*; cogn. w. *L. vadere* go, *vadium* ford]

wá'd'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: wading bird (see prec.); (pl.) high waterproof boots worn in fishing. [-ER¹]

wa'di, -ý, (wah-), n. Rocky watercourse dry except in rainy season (chiefly of Eastern countries). [Arab. *waddi*]

Wafd (-ah-), n. The extreme Nationalist party in Egypt. Hence *~ist* a. & n. [Arab.]

wá'fer, n., & v.t. 1. Kind of very thin sweet honeycomb-faced biscuit now chiefly eaten with ices (*thin as a ~*, whence *~Y¹* a.); thin disk of unleavened bread used in Eucharist; small disk of dried paste formerly used for fastening letters, holding papers together, etc.; disk of red paper stuck on law papers instead of seal. 2. v.t. Attach or seal with ~. [f. ONF *vaufre* (cf. *GOFFER*, *GOFFER*) f. MLG *wáfel* (cf. foll.), porh. cogn. w. G *wabe* honeycomb]

wa'fle (wød-), n. Small batter cake baked in ~iron, special utensil. [f. Du. *wafel* WAFER]

waft (wah-, wød-), v.t., & n. 1. Convey (as) through air or over water, sweep smoothly & lightly along. 2. n. Single sweep of bird's wing; whiff of odour; fugitive sensation of peace, joy, etc.; (Naut., also *weft*) distress signal, e.g. ensign rolled or knotted or garment flown in rigging. [back form. f. obs. *wafter* conveying-ship prob. f. Du. *wachter* a guard (*wachten* to wait, watch)]

*wá'g*¹, v.t. & i. (-gg-), & n. 1. Shake (t. & l. of thing attached by one end, as tail) to & fro, oscillate, (*dog ~s his tail*, in sign of pleasure; *tail was ~ging*; *tail ~s dog*, least important member of society or section of party has control; *~ one's finger at*, in reproof etc.; *~ one's head*, in derision or amusement; *beards, chins, jaws, tongues, are ~ging*, talk going on); (arch., of the world, times, etc.) go along with varied fortune or characteristics (*how ~s the world?*); *~tail*, kinds of small

bird (*pied, yellow, etc., ~tail*) with long tail in constant motion. 2. n. Single ~ing motion (*with a ~ of his tail, head, etc.*). [ME *waggen* f. root of OE *wagian* rock]

wäg¹, n. Facetious person, one given to jesting or practical jokes; || (sl.) truant (esp. *play ~ or the ~*). Hence ~g'ERY (4) n., ~g'ISH'ly a., ~g'ISHly² adv., ~g'ishNESS n., (-g-). [prob. for obs. *wag-halter* gallows-bird (prec. vb)]

wäge¹, n. Amount paid periodically, esp. by the day or week or month, for time during which workman or servant is at employer's disposal (usu. pl. exc. in certain phrr.; *gets good ~s; brings his ~s home; at a ~ or ~s of 15 a week; living ~, ~s that allow earner to live without fear of starvation; a fair day's work for a fair day's ~*); requital (usu. pl.; *the ~s of sin is death*); ~(-s)-fund in Pol. Econ., part of community's capital devoted to paying ~s & salaries (*the ~-fund theory*, that ~s can rise only if either capital increases or population diminishes). [OF, = *guage* GAGE¹]

wäge², v.t. (carry on (war, conflict). [earlier sense *declare (war)* f. ONF *wagier* (prec.)]

wä'ger, n., & v.t. 1. = BET n. & v.t. (but not now in familiar use). 2. (hist.). ~ of battle, ancient form of trial by personal combat between parties or champions; ~ of law, COMFUGATION. [f. OF *wageure* (as prec., -URE)]

wäg'gle, v.i. & t., & n. = WAG¹ (but in more familiar use); esp. (Golf) of swinging club-head to & fro over ball before playing shot. Hence wäg'gly² a., unsteady. [-LE(3)]

wäg(g)'on, n. Four-wheeled vehicle for drawing heavy loads, often with removable semicylindrical tilt or cover, usu. drawn by two or more horses (*hitch one's ~ to a star*, utilize powers higher than one's own); || open railway truck; ~boiler, ~railing, ~roof, ~vault, shaped like ~tilt. [f. Du. *wagen*, cf. OE *wægn* WAIN]

wäg(g)'oner, n. Driver of wagon; *the W~*, constellation Auriga. [-ER¹]

wäg(g)onette', n. Four-wheeled open pleasure vehicle (or with removable cover) for one or more horses & with facing side seats. [-ETTE]

wagon-tit (vågawhí's), n. Sleeping-car on continental railway. [F]

Waha'bi, -ee, (-hahb'), n. One of a sect of Mohammedan puritans following the letter of the Koran. [Abd-el-Wahhab, founder c. 1700]

wail, n. Ownerless object or animal, thing cast up by or drifting in sea or brought by unknown agency; homeless & helpless person, esp. unowned or abandoned child; ~s & strays, odds & ends, unowned or neglected children. [AF, prob. of Scand. orig., cf. ON *veif* thing flapping about; n. corresp. to WAIVE]

wail, v.i. & t., & n. (Lament, l. & t., with) prolonged plaintive inarticulate usu. high-pitched cry; (fig.) lament(ation) in words (often over); (of wind etc.) sound (v. & n.) like person ~ing; ~ing wall, place, part of the Solomonic wall at Jerusalem where the Jews assemble to bewail the destruction of the Temple. Hence ~FUL a. (poet.), ~ingly² adv. [cf. ON *væla* (væ int., see WOE)]

wain, n. Wagon (chiefly poet. or agricultural); *Charles's, Arthur's, or the W~*, CHARLES'S WAIN. [f. OE *wægn*, cf. Du. & G *wagen*; cogn. w. L *vehere* carry, Skr. *rahana* vehicle, Gk *okhos* car, & WAG]

wain'scot, n., & v.t. 1. Wooden panelling or boarding on room-wall. 2. v.t. Line with ~, whence ~ING¹(3) n. [earlier sense kind of oakwood, f. MLG *wagenscot* perb. f. *wagen* wagon; for *scot* boarding] cf. CAMPSHOT]

waist, n. 1. Part of human body below ribs & above hips (*large, small, ~*, of such circumference; *long, short, ~*, of such vertical extent). 2. Contraction marking this in normal figure (*has no ~*, of stout person); analogous contraction in middle of long object, e.g. fiddle or hour-glass. 3. Part of ship between forecabin & quarter-deck. 4. Part of garment encircling ~, band round ~ from which petticoats etc. may be suspended; *bodice. 5. ~band, -belt, worn round ~; ~cloth, = LOIN-cloth; || ~coat (wäs(t)'köt, wös'kot), garment reaching down to ~ with front showing when coat is open & usu. without sleeves (*sleeved ~coat*, with sleeves for extra warmth or for use without coat by workmen); ~deep or -high aa. & advv., up to ~. Hence (-)'ED² a. [ME *wast* (WAX²), cf. Goth. *wahstus* growth]

wait¹, v.i. & t. 1. Abstain from action or departure till some expected event occurs, pause, tarry, stay, kick one's heels, be expectant or on the watch, (often for, till; ~ a minute; shall not ~ here any longer; kept me ~ing or made me ~; have a month to ~ yet; ~ till I come, for high water or a fine day; everything comes to those who ~; always has to be ~ed for, is unpunctual). 2. Await, bide, (is ~ing his opportunity; you must ~ my convenience; am only ~ing the signal). 3. Act as waiter, as servant shifting plates etc. at table, (are you accustomed to ~ing?; often at table), or as attendant (LORD¹, GROOM, in ~ing). 4. Defer (meal) till someone arrives (*don't ~ dinner for me*). 5. ~a-bit [tr. Afrikaans *wag-n-bietje*], kinds of S.-Afr. shrub with hooked thorns; ~ (up)on, watch (arch.), await convenience of, serve as attendant esp. at table, pay visit to (person regarded as superior), escort (arch.), (in race) purposely keep close behind (competitor), follow as result; ~ing-room, provided for persons to ~ in esp. at railway-station or

house of consultant. [f. OF *quaitier* (now *guetter*) f. OHG *wahſen* to watch (*wahla* n. watch) cogn. w. WAKE¹]

wait², n. 1. pl. Official bands of musicians maintained by a city or town (hist.); street singers of Christmas carols. 2. Act or time of waiting (*had a long ~ for the train*); watching for enemy, ambush, (*lie in or lay ~ usu. for*). [sense 1 f. OF *waite* sentinel f. OF as prec.; sense 2 f. prec.]

wait'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: man who takes & executes orders, shifts plates, etc., at hotel or restaurant tables, whence *wait'ress*¹ n.; tray, salver; DUMB¹~; TIDE~. [-ER¹]

waive, v.t. Forbear to insist on or use, tacitly or implicitly relinquish or forgo, (right, claim, opportunity, legitimate plea, etc.). Hence *waiv'er*⁴ n. (legal). [AF *weyver* f. OF *gaiver* make into a WAIF]

wake¹, v.i. & t. (past *wōke*, ~d; p.p. ~d, *wōken*, *wōke*). 1. Cease to sleep, rouse from sleep, (often *up*; also *fig.*, as *spring ~s all nature*, *nature ~s*); be awake (arch. exc. in part. or gerund, as in *his waking hours*, *waking or sleeping*; *waking dream*, *day-dream*, *reverie*); cease or rouse from sloth, torpidity, inactivity, or inattention (*usu. up*; ~ *up there!*; *wants something to ~ him up*; *the insult ~d his dull spirit*); rise or raise from the dead. 2. (chiefly Ir.). Hold wake over. 3. Disturb (silence, place) with noise, make re-echo. 4. ~ *robin*, wild arm or lords-&ladies. [mixture of OE **wacian* wōc arise, be born, & *wacian* wake, watch, cf. Du. *waken*, G *wachen*; cogn. w. VIGIL, VEGETABLE]

wake², n. 1. Vigil commemorating church dedication, merry-making or fair on the occasion, (hist.); || (*usu. pl.*) annual holiday in northern England. 2. (Ir.). || Watch by corpse before burial, lamentations & merry-making in connexion with it. [perh. f. ON *vaka* vigil, cogn. w. prec.]

wake³, n. Strip of smooth water left behind moving ship (*in the ~ of*, behind, following, after the example of). [f. ON *vaka* opening in ice, cogn. w. Gk *hugros*, L *humidus*, wet]

wake'ful (-kf-). a. Unable to sleep, (of person's night etc.) passed with little or no sleep; vigilant. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [WAKE¹, -FUL]

wak'en, v.t. & i. Cause to be, become, awake (*usu.* = *wake up*, but conveying less of abruptness). [OE *wæcnan* (**wac-*an WAKE¹)]

Walach, Wall-, (wōl'ak), n. = VLACH. Hence *Wal(l)achian* (wōlāk'ian) a. (of the ~s or of Walachia, a principality now forming part of Rumania) & n. (= ~, also the language of the ~s). [see VLACH]

Walden's/ēs (wō-, -z), n. pl. Puritan sect in valleys of Piedmont, Dauphiné, & Provence, started c. 1170 & much persecuted in 16th & 17th cc. Hence ~IAN a. & n. [Peter Waldo of Lyons, founder]

wāle, weal, n., & v.t. 1. Ridge raised on flesh by stroke of rod or whip; || *wale-knot* or *wall-knot*, made at end of rope by inter-twining strands to prevent unravelling or act as stopper. 2. v.t. Raise ~ on; (Mil., *wale*) weave (a hurdle or gabion). Hence *wāling*¹ n., hurdlework used as revetment. [OE *walu* stripe, ridge, cf. OFris. *walu*, ON *völur*, rod; also GUNWALE, CHANNEL²]

Wāl'er, n. Horse imported for Indian army from New South Wales. [N.S. Wales, -ER¹]

Wāles (-lz), n. Principality inhabited by the Welsh (*Prince of ~*, title *usu.* conferred on heir-apparent of Great Britain). [OE *Wealas* pl. of *wealh* see WELSH¹]

Walhalla. See VALHALLA.

walk¹ (wawk), v.i. & t. 1. (Of men) progress by advancing each foot alternately never having both off ground at once (*heel-&-toe ~ing*, in which both heel & toe are used, as required in ~ing-races; ~ *backwards*, *sideways*, go in those directions with analogous motions; ~ *over* course or ~ *over*, have WALK²-over; ~ *away from*, easily out-distance), go with the gait usual except when speed is desired (~ing DICTIONARY); (of animals) go with slowest gait corresponding to human walk. 2. Travel or go on foot (~ *into shop*, *up to person*, *down hill*, etc.; *please ~ in*, invitation to enter; ~ *up*, showman's invitation to circus etc.; ~ *out with*, esp. of servants etc., have as sweet-heart; ~ *about*, stroll; ~ *s two hours*, *ten miles*, *a day*; *ghost ~s*, shows itself (see also GHOST); ~ *into*, sl., thrash, abuse, eat heartily of; ~ *off*, depart, esp. abruptly; ~ *off or away with*, carry off, steal; *~ *out on person*, leave him). 3. (arch.). Live with or in specified principle or manner, conduct oneself, (~ *in love*, *humbly*, *honestly*, *after the flesh*, *by faith*, *with God*, etc.). 4. Perambulate, tread floor or surface of, (*Him that ~ed the waves*; ~ *the streets*, in gen. sense, also be prostitute; ~ *the hospitals*, be medical student; ~ *the boards*, be actor; ~ *the plank*; ~ *the chalk*, prove sobriety to police etc. by ~ing straight between chalked lines), whence ~'ABLE (wawk-) a. 5. Cause to ~ with one, have ~ing-race with, (~ *horse*, when riding or driving or leading it; *policeman ~ed the man off*; *Smith will ~ Jones for £100 a side*; *you have ~ed me off my legs*, tired out). 6. (Of farmer etc.) take charge of (hound puppy). 7. ~ing¹ *chair*, = GO¹-cart; ~ing² *delegate*, trade-union official who visits sick members, interviews employers, etc.; ~ing³-dress, for outdoor wear; ~ing⁴-fern, N. Amer. kind with slender-tipped fronds that bow down to ground & take root; ~ing⁵ *gentleman*, lady, actor, actress, of part requiring good presence but no skill; ~ing⁶-leaf, insect imitating leaf;

- ~ING¹-papers or ticket, sl. dismissal; || ~ING¹-stick, carried in ~ing; ~ING¹-tour, pleasure journey on foot. [OE *wealdan* roll, rove, cf. Du. *walken* press hats, Iool. *volka* roll, G *walken* full cloth]
- walk**² (wawk), n. Walking gait, person's action in walking, (see prec.; go at, never gets beyond, a ~; know him a mile off by his ~); excursion on foot, stroll, constitutional, (go for, take, a ~; across the hills from X to Z is a good ~; ~over, race in which from absence or inferiority of competitors winner can go at a ~ if he chooses, easy victory); person's favourite walking ground, round of hawk etc., place or track intended or suitable for strollers or foot-passengers, promenade, colonnade, footpath, (NOPE ~; SHEEP ~; ~ of life, calling, profession, occupation); *~out, workmen's strike. [f. prec.]
- walk**³ (wawk-), n. In vbl senses; esp.: || SHOP ~; STREET ~; (class-name for) bird such as common fowl that neither flies nor swims, also bird that does not hop but walks on alternate feet. [-ER¹]
- Walkyrie**. See **WALKYRA**.
- wall** (wawl), n., & v.t. 1. Continuous & usu. vertical & solid structure of stones, bricks, concrete, timber, etc., narrow in proportion to length & height serving to enclose (partly) or protect or divide off town, house, room, field, etc., surface of inner side(s) of room, (party or partition ~, separating two rooms, houses, fields, etc.; ~ of partition, fig. line of division, gulf; blank ~, without door or gate or window, also without decoration; run one's head against a ~, attempt impossibilities; see through brick ~, have miraculous insight; ~s have ears, eavesdroppers are or may be about; with one's back to the ~, brought to bay, fighting alone against odds; RETAINING ~). 2. Something resembling ~ in appearance or effect (mountain ~, line of steep hills; ~ of armed men, fire, bayonets, protection or obstacle consisting of these; cell ~, ~s of the chest etc., enclosing tissue or framework in Bot. or Anat.; hanging, foot-, ~, in mining, upper, lower, rock enclosing lode). 3. (Position next) ~ as opp. kennel side of street footpath (give one the ~, allow him cleaner part in passing; take the ~ of, refuse this courtesy to). 4. Side as opp. centre of road (the weakest goes to the ~, is pushed aside, gets the worst in competition). 5. ~-creeper, kinds of bird; ~-cress, kinds of plant growing in stony places; ~-fern, common polypody; ~ flower, fragrant spring garden-plant with usu. orange or brown clustered flowers, (colloq.) woman sitting out dances for lack of partners; ~-fruit, of trees fastened against ~ for protection & warmth; || ~ game, an Eton form of football; ~-painting, on ~ usu. of room, esp. fresco; ~-paper, for pasting over room ~s, usu. with decorative printed patterns; ~-pepper, kind of stonecrop; ~-plate, timber laid in or on ~ to distribute pressure of girder etc.; ~-rue, small fern growing on ~s & rocks; ~-washer, plate used with tie-rod in supporting shaky ~; hence ~-LESS (wawl-l) a. 6. v.t. Provide or protect with ~ (esp. in p.p., as ~ed towns); block up aperture etc. with ~. [OE *weal* f. L *vallum* rampart, paliade]
- walla(h)** (wöl'a), n. (Anglo-Ind.). Person or thing employed about or concerned with something, -man, (BOX ~; competition ~, Indian civilian appointed by competitive examination; punkah ~, servant who works punkah). [f. Hind. *wald* suf. = -ER(3)]
- wallaby** (wö-), n. Kinds of smaller kangaroo; on the ~ (track), on tramp, unemployed; (pl., colloq.) **Australias**. [Austral.]
- Wallach**. See **WALACH**.
- wallaröo'** (wö-), n. Kinds of larger kangaroo. [Austral.]
- wallét** (wö-), n. (Arch.) bag for carrying personal necessities, food, etc., on journey, esp. pilgrim's or beggar's scrip; small leather case holding repairing tools for bicycle etc., fishing-kit, papers, or other small articles; flat case for holding bank-notes etc. [etym. dub.; perh. by metathesis for **WATTLE**]
- wall-eye** (wawl'i), n. Appearance of whitish opacity of eye caused by injury or disease; (loosely) eye showing abnormal amount of white owing to squint etc., or large & glaring as in some fishes. [back formation f. foll.]
- wall-eyed** (wawl'id), a. Having wall-eye. [f. ON *vagl-eygr* (*vagl* unexpl., *auga* eye)]
- || **wall-knot**. See **WALL**.
- Wallöon'**, n. & a. 1. Member, language (a French dialect), of people scattered in Belgium & neighbouring parts of France. 2. adj. Of the ~s or in their language. [f. OF *Wallon* f. Tent. *walh*, cf. **VLACH**, **WELSH**]
- wa'llop** (wö-), v.t., & n. (sl.). 1. Thrash, beat, hide; (part.) big, strapping, thumping. 2. n. A heavy blow. Hence ~ING(1) n. [earlier senses gallop, boil, bubble, flounder; f. ONF as **GALLOP**]
- wallow** (wöl'ö), v.i., & n. 1. Roll about in mud, sand, water, etc. (~ in money, be very rich); take swinish or gross delight in sensuality etc. 2. n. Place to which buffaloes etc. resort to ~. [OE *wealwian* roll, cogn. w. L *volvare*]
- Wa'llisend** (wawl-z), n. Kind of superior house-coal orig. from ~ on Tyne.
- Wall Street** (wawl), n. (Used for) the American money-market. [street in New York]
- wa'llüt** (wawl-), n. (Kinds of tree yielding) delicate-flavoured nut in pair of similar boat-shaped shells (over the ~s

& the wine, at dessert); timber of ~-tree used in cabinet-making & for gunstocks. [f. OE *wealh* foreign, Gaulish (cf. *WELSH*), *WUR*]

Walpur'gis-night (*vahlporgis-nit*), *n.* Eve of 1st May, when witches meet at the Brocken or elsewhere & hold revels with the devil. [*Walpurgis*, female saint of 8th c.; connexion unknown]

wa'lrus (*waw*-, *wô*-), *n.* Kinds of large amphibious arctic long-tusked mammal related to seal, morse, sea-horse. [Du., prob. *w.* metath. f. Scand. (ON *krosshvalr* kind of whale, *rosshvalr* walrus)]

waltz (*wawls*), *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. Dance, or music for it, in triple time with graceful flowing melody & one harmony in each line. 2. *v.i.* Dance ~; dance *in*, *out*, *round*, etc., in joy etc.; hence ~'ER¹ (*wawls*-) *n.* [f. *G. waltzer* (*waltzen* revolve)]

wampee' (*wô*-), *n.* (Tree yielding) grape-like fruit grown in China & E. Indics. [Chin. (*huang* yellow, *pi* skin)]

wa'mpum (*wô*-), *n.* Beads made from shells & strung for money or decoration by N.-Amer. Indians. [f. N.-Amer. Ind. *wampumpag* (*wampi* white, *-ampi* string)]

wan (*wôn*), *a.* Pale, colourless, bloodless, looking worn or exhausted, (chiefly of persons or their complexion or look, or of sky or light); (arch.) of night, water, etc.) dark, black. Hence ~'LY² *adv.*, ~'NESS (-*n-n*-) *n.* [OE *wann*, *wonn*, dark, black, etym. dub.]

wand (*wô*-), *n.* Slender rod for carrying in hand or setting in ground as temporary mark (chiefly now of conjurer's or music conductor's baton, or of staff symbolizing some officials' authority). [f. ON *wôndr*, perh. cogn. *w. WIND* w. ref. to suppleness]

wa'nder (*wô*-), *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Rove, stroll, go from country to country or from place to place without settled route or destination, (~ing *Jew*, supposed to be still living from when Christ said 'Thou shalt ~ on the earth till I return' as punishment for an insult, also person who never settles down, also kinds of climbing plant; ~ing *cell*, *abscess*, *kidney*, etc., moving about, normally or abnormally attached to place in body; ~ing *sailor*, kinds of climbing plant), whence ~ER¹ (*wô*-) *n.* 2. Stray, diverge from the right way lit. or fig., get lost, depart from home. 3. Talk or think irrelevantly or disconnectedly or incoherently, stray from subject in hand, be inattentive or delirious, (*his wits are ~ing*; ~s *in his talk*). 4. Traverse desultorily (*you may ~ the world*, or usu. *the world through*, & not find such another). Hence ~ING¹ (*i*) *n.* (usu. pl.), ~INGLY² *adv.*, (*wô*-). [OE *wandrian* (*WEND*, -ER¹), cf. *G* & *LG wandern*]

wanderlust (*vahn'derlust*), *n.* Eager desire or fondness for travelling or wandering. [*G*]

wanderô' (*wô*-), *n.* Kind of Ceylon monkey. [Sinhalese *wanderu*]

wâne, *v.i.*, & *n.* 1. Decrease in size or splendour like moon after the full, lose power or vigour or importance or repute, decline. 2. *n.* Process of waning (esp. *is on the ~*, declining). [OE *wanian* (*wan* deficient), cf. ON *wana* diminish (*wane*, see *WANT*), & *WANTON*]

wangle (*wâng'gl*), *v.t.*, & *n.* (sl.). 1. Secure (favour, desired result) by plausibility or management or other dubious means; show in the desired light, cook, fake, (report etc.). 2. *n.* Act of ~ing. [etym. dub.; first recorded (1888) as printers' sl.]

wanion (*wôn'yôn*), *n.* *With a ~ (to)*, imprecation (arch.). [var. of *waniand* part. of *WANE* (*waning* moon = unlucky hour)]

want' (*wô*-, *wah*-), *n.* Lack, absence, deficiency, of (*ship rotting for ~ of paint*; *shows great ~ of thought, care, sense, judgement*); need of, need of sustenance, poverty, (*is in ~ of money, a servant, etc.*; *living in the direst ~*; ~ *is a severe but efficient teacher*); desire for thing as necessary to life or happiness or success or completion (whence ~'LESS *a.*), thing so desired, (*a man of few ~s*; *superfluities soon become ~s*; *is, supplies, a felt ~*; *can supply your ~s*). [f. ON *want* neut. of *wanr* lacking, cf. OE *wan* (*WANE*)]

want' (*wô*-, *wah*-), *v.i.* & *t.* 1. Be without or deficiently supplied with, fall short of, fall short by (specified amount) of specified limit, (part.) lacking in quality or unequal to requirements or absent or deficient or (orig. dial.) lacking in intelligence, (~s, *is ~ing in judgement*; *fortunately ~s the power to do it*; *what was ~ing, what we unfortunately ~ed, was the will*; ~s *something, or ~s, of perfection*; *be found ~ing, or ~ing to the occasion*, one's duty, etc.; *head of statue is ~ing*; *statue ~s the head*; infinitive ~ing, verb has none; ~s *half a minute of the hour, an inch of the regulation measurement*). 2. Be in want (for; *let him ~ for nothing*; *must not be allowed to ~*). 3. Require (thing, ~ing, *to be ~ed, to do*; *boy ~s the whip, whipping, to be whipped, to feel the whip*; *it ~s careful handling*). 4. Desire, wish for possession or presence of, (*to do, thing, person*; *don't ~ to go*; *I ~ some sugar, if done, you to try*; *call me if I am ~ed*; *is ~ed by the police, of suspected criminal etc.*; *tell Jones I ~ him, send him to me*). [f. ON *wanta* (prec.)]

wa'nting (*wô*-, *wah*-), *prep.* Without, minus, less, (~ *common honesty, nothing can be done*; *made a century ~ one run*).

[~ING¹: use of part. either abs., cf. *NOT-WITHSTANDING*, or in ordinary agreement] **wa'nton** (*wô*-), *a.*, *n.*, & *v.i.* 1. Sportive, gambolling, playful, irresponsible, capricious, (~ *child, kid, wind, mood*);

luxuriant, unrestrained, wild, (~ *growth, ringlets, profusion*); licentious, unchaste, lewd, (a ~ *woman*; ~ *thoughts*); motiveless, serving no purpose, random, arbitrary, (~ *mischief, destruction*); hence ~LV²adv., ~NESS n. 2. n. Unchastewoman or rarely man; (rare) playful child. 3. v.i. Sport, gambol, move capriciously; (rare) act lasciviously. [ME *wantoun*, -*lowen* (*wan*, see WANE, used as pref. with sense *un-* as in obs. *wanhope* despair, OE *togen*, p.p. of *tēon* draw, educate, cf. G *gezogen*)]

wap. See WHOP.

|| **wa'pentāke** (wō-), n. (Old name in Anglian districts for) hundred or division of shire. [OE *wūpengetac* f. ON *vápnatök* (*vápn* weapon, *tök* taking f. *taka* TAKE) w. ref. to brandishing of weapons as form of voting]

wa'piti (wō-), n. N.-Amer. stag resembling roe deer but larger. [f. Amer.-Ind. *wapitik* white deer]

|| **Wappens(c)haw** (wah'penshaw), n. (Sc.). (Hist.) periodical muster & inspection of men under arms in a particular district; (mod.) rifle-meeting. [f. *wapin* obs. form of *weapon* + *schau* show (n.)]

war¹ (wōr), n. 1. Quarrel usu. between nations conducted by force, state of open hostility & suspension of ordinary international law prevalent during such quarrel, military or naval attack or series of attacks, (fig.) hostility or contention between persons, (*civil* ~, between parts of one nation for supremacy; *cold* ~, unfriendly relations between nations characterized by hostile propaganda & attempted economic sabotage; ~ of *nerves*, attempt to wear down opponent by gradual destruction of morale, opp. *shoot'ing* ~; *private* ~, feud between persons or families carried on in defiance of laws of murder etc., or armed attack made by members of one State without government sanction upon another; *holy* ~, waged in support of some religious cause; *make or wage* ~, begin or carry on hostile operations; *declare* ~, announce that hostilities may be expected, often upon another nation, also fig. upon institution, party, custom, etc.; so *declaration* of ~; *drift into* ~; *be at* engaged in hostilities with enemy or abs., also fig.; *roll back tide* of ~, repel invasion; *go to the* ~s, arch., serve as soldier; *carry the* ~ into the *enemy's country*, (fig.) make counter-accusations etc., not confine oneself to defence; *has been in the* ~s, usu. fig. of person who has been mauled physically or otherwise; *on a* ~ *footing*, of army, fleet, etc., with full establishment; ~ *to the knife*, struggle to the bitter end usu. between persons; *Secretary of State for War*, also *Secretary for War*, *War Secretary*, || *parliamentary head of War Office*; *art of* ~, *strategy & tactics*; *trade of* ~, soldier's profession;

sineus of ~, money etc. for waging ~ or for effecting any object; TUG, CONTRABAND, COUNCIL, HONOUR's, of ~; MAN¹-of-~; *laws* of ~, those recognized by civilized nations as limiting belligerents' action; *rights* of ~, those similarly permitting to belligerents certain acts illegitimate in peace; *the dogs* of ~, poet., havoc attending ~; ~s & *rumours* of ~s, prevalence of the appeal to force among nations; ~ of *the elements*, storms & catastrophes in nature; *all's fair*² in *love &* ~. 2. ~ *baby*, illegitimate child attributable to ~ conditions; ~-*cloud*, position of international affairs that threatens ~; ~-*cry*, phrase or name formerly shouted in charging or rallying to attack, partly catchword, savages' battle-shout; ~-*dance*, indulged in by savages before ~; ~-*game*, = KNEIGSPIEL; ~-*god*, one worshipped as giving victory in ~, esp. the Greek Ares or Roman Mars; ~-*head*, explosive head of torpedo or similar weapon; ~-*horse*, charger (arch. & poet. exc. In phr. *like an old* ~-*horse*, of person excited by memories of abandoned pursuit or controversy); ~-*lord* (rhet.), great captain (esp. of William II of Germany, & of Chinese civil-war generals); || *War Office*, State department in charge of army; ~-*paint*, put on body by savages before battle, (fig.) ceremonial costume, full fig; ~-*path*, (route of) warlike expedition of Amer. Indians (*be, go, on the* ~-*path*, fig., be engaged in, enter upon, any conflict, have taken, take, up the cudgels); ~-*ship*, for use in ~; ~-*song*, sung by savages before battle, also any song on martial theme; ~-*whoop*, yell esp. of Amer. Indians in charging; ~-*worn*, experienced in or damaged or exhausted by ~. [f. OF *werre* (now *guerre*) f. OHG *werra* confusion (*werran* embroil, cf. G *verwirren* confuse); cogn. w. WORSE]

war² (wōr), v.i. & t. (-rr-). Make war (arch.); bring or beat down by war; (part.) rival, competing, inconsistent, (~-*ring creeds, principles*). [f. prec.]

war'ble¹ (wōr-), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Sing (i. & t.) in gentle continuous trilling manner (esp. of birds, also of person or sound); speak, utter, in manner suggestive of bird's song; relate in verse. 2. n. ~ed song etc.; ~ing voice (*spoke in a* ~e). [f. OF *werble(r)* f. OHG *werbel* a rattle etc. (cf. MHG *wirbel* whirlpool, & WHIRL)]

war'ble² (wōr-), n. Hard lump on horse's back from galling of saddle; (tumour produced by) larva of gadfly. [cf. MSw. *varbulde* boll (*var* pus, *bulde* tumour)]

war'bler (wōr-), n. In vbl senses; esp., many kinds of small bird including nightingale, blackcap, robin, redstart, & hedge-sparrow, some not remarkable for song. [-ER¹]

ward¹ (wōrd), n. 1. Act of guarding or

defending place etc. (now only in *keep watch* & ~). 2. Guard or parry in fencing (arch.). 3. Confinement, custody, guardian's control, (arch.); *is under ~*; *put him in ~*; *to whom the child is in ~*. 4. Minor under care of guardian or Court of Chancery. 5. Administrative division of city. 6. Separate room or division in prison (*condemned* etc. ~) or hospital (*isolation* etc. ~) || or workhouse (*casual* etc. ~). 7. pl. Notches & projections in key and lock designed to prevent opening by wrong key. 8. ~mole, meeting of city ~ [OE *mōt* meeting]; ~room, in warship for commissioned officers below commanding officer. [OE *weard* watching, of OHG *warta*; a doublet of GUARD]

ward² (wōrd), v.t. Have in keeping, protect, (chiefly now of God); parry (blow, often off), keep off (danger, poverty, etc.). [OE *weardian* (prec.)]

-ward(s) (-ward, -dz), suf. repr. OE *weard* f. OE *weorðan* become, turn to, past *weorð*; cf. L *versus* towards. f. the cogn. *verture* turn. In OE compds of *-ward* were orig. adj., the adj. used occas. becoming obs. & being redeveloped in later E f. the adv., as in *forward*. *-ward* formed adv. & prep. by addition of -ss. In older E *-ward* could in some cases be separated f. its component, as in *to usward*. Mod. E retains many adj. & adv. in *-ward* as *backward*, *forward*, *northward*, *homeward*, adv. in *-wards* as *backwards*, *inwards*, & the prep. *towards* (less usu. *-ward*); as living suffixes, *-ward*, *-wards*, form extempore adj. & adv., often more or less joc., as *bankwards*, *bedward*, *Perthwards*.

ward'en¹ (wōr-), n. Watchman, sentinel, (arch.); member of civilian organization for assisting the civil population in air raids; guardian, president, governor, of (in obs. or existent titles, as *W~ of the Marches*, *Merton College* etc., *the Cinque Ports*), whence ~SHIP n. [f. OE *wardēin* as GUARDIAN]

ward'en² (wōr-), n. Kind of cooking pear. [perh. f. AF *warder* to guard, = keeping pear]

ward'er (wōr-), n. || Sentinel (arch.); || jailor, whence **ward'ress**¹ (wōr-), n.; (Hist.) staff of authority carried by king or commander & occas. used to give signals. [AF *wardour* (WARD², -OR²)]

Wardour Street (wōrder), n. A London street noted for antique furniture etc. (~ *English*, affectedly archaic).

ward'robe (wōr-), n. Place where clothes are kept, esp. large cabinet or movable cupboard with pegs, shelves, etc.; person's stock of clothes; ~ *dealer*, dealer in second-hand clothes; ~ *trunk* (fitted with drawers, coat-hangers, etc., & designed to stand on end, serving as ~). [f. OE *warderobe* (as GUARD², ROBE)]

war'dship (wōr-), n. Tutelage, guardian's

share, (under ~; has the ~ of). [WARD¹, -SHIP]

wāre¹, n. 1. Things manufactured for sale, esp. pottery of any kind (otherwise usu. in comb., as HARD~, LIN~); (pl.) articles that person etc. has for sale (usu. his etc. ~s); (with distinctive epithet) kind of manufactured material esp. pottery, named from inventor, place of manufacture, or some characteristic (*Wedgwood*, *Delft* or *Delf*, *black*, etc., ~, kinds of pottery; *Tunbridge* ~, inlaid wood). 2. ~house (-s) n., building in which goods are stored, bonded, or displayed for sale, repository, wholesale or large retail store; ~house (-z) v.t., store (esp. furniture or bonded goods) temporarily in repository; ~houseman, owner of repository. [OE *waru*, cf. Du. *waar*, G *waare*, prob. cogn. w. GUARD]

|wāre², pred. a. (poet.). Aware. [OE *was* heedful, cf. ON *varr*]

ware² (wōr, wār), v.t. (Imperat.) look out for, be cautious about, (~ *hounds*, *wire*, *traps*!; esp. in hunting-field); (colloq., usu. Imperat.) decline to have anything to do with, bar, avoid, fight shy of. [OE *warian* take heed (prec.)]

war'fare (wōr-), n. State of war, campaigning, being engaged in war, (*after long ~*; *his ~ is over*). [orig. sense *military expedition* (FARE²)]

war'like (wōr-), a. Martial, fond of or skilful in war; military, of or for war, (~ *preparations*); bellicose, threatening war. [-LIKE]

war'lock (wōr-), n. (arch.). Sorcerer, wizard. [OE *warloga* deceiver (*war* truth, cogn. w. L *versus* true, *loga* liar f. *léogan* LIE²)]

warm¹ (wōrm), a. & n. 1. Hottish, of or at rather high temperature, (*hot*, ~, *lepid*, *cool*, *cold*; ~ *water*, *weather*, *countries*; ~ *blood*, that of mammals & birds ranging from 98° to 112°, also fig. passionate or amorous or emotional disposition, whence ~-blooded² (-lūd-) a.; ~ *with*, sl., spirits & hot water with sugar); (of persons etc.) with temperature of skin raised by exercise or excitement or external heat. 2. (Of clothes etc.) serving to keep one ~. 3. (Of friendly relations or actions or agents) enthusiastic, hearty, zealous, (a ~ *partisan*, *friend*, *welcome*, RECEPTION; ~ *thanks*). 4. Animated, heated, exclaiming or excited, in or resulting from sanguine or offended or indignant or unreserved mood, (*when ~ with wine*; *the dispute* or *disputants grew ~*; ~ *work*, keen or dangerous conflict). 5. (Of position etc.) difficult or dangerous to maintain or meet (a ~ *corner*, hot part of battle etc.); so ~ RECEPTION; *make it or things ~ for one*, create strong feeling against him). 6. (Of feelings etc.) sympathetic, emotional, affectionate, susceptible, (*has a ~ heart*, whence ~-hearted² (-hārt-) a., ~-heart-

warm¹ (wɔrm), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Make warm, excite, (fire ~s room, person, etc.; wine to ~ the heart; ~ oneself at fire etc.; ~ person or his jacket, thrash him, whence ~ING¹ n., sl.); ~ oneself at fire etc.; become warm or animated or sympathetic (often up; room is ~ing up; he ~ed up or ~ed as he got into his subject; my heart ~s to him); ~ing-pan, flat closed long-handled usu. brass vessel holding live coals formerly used for ~ing inside of bed before it was occupied, (fig.) person holding office temporarily to keep it for another not yet of age etc.; hence (-)~ER¹ (2) n. 2. n. Act of ~ing oneself or something (must have, give it, another ~ first). [OE *wirman*, *wearmian*, (prec.)]

warm² (wɔrm), v.t. Give notice to, put on guard, caution, admonish, (person of danger or consequences or future or unknown present circumstance, against person or thing or doing, that something impends or must be reckoned with, that he is or has neglected to do something, to do, or abs.). Hence ~ingly² adv. [OE *w(e)arnian*, cf. G *warnen*; cogn. W. *WARE*²]

warning¹ (wɔrn), n. In vbl senses (take ~, have one's caution excited, mentally register danger etc., act on a ~); also or esp.: thing that serves to warn (*pulpitation is a ~ of heart trouble; let this be a ~ to you*); give (master, servant) ~, announce that employment is to terminate in specified (e.g. a month's) time. [-ING¹]

warp¹ (wɔrp), v.t. & i. 1. Make or become crooked or perverted, change from straight or right or natural state, bias, (sun had ~ed the boards; seasoned timber does not ~; hardship ~ed his disposition; judgement ~ed by self-interest). 2. (naut.). Haul (ship) in some direction by rope attached to fixed point, progress thus. 3. Fertilize by inundating with warp. [OE *worpan* throw, cf. ON *verpa*, Du. *werpen*, G *werfen*]

warp² (wɔrp), n. 1. Threads stretched lengthwise in loom to be crossed by weft. 2. Rope used in towing or warping. 3. Crooked state produced in timber etc.

by uneven shrinking or expansion; (fig.) perversion or perverse inclination in mind. 4. Sediment or alluvial deposit, esp. that left by turbid water kept standing on poor land. [OE *wearp*, cf. ON *veip* cast of net, G *werft* warp; cogn. w. prec.]

war¹rant¹ (wɔ-), n. 1. Thing that bears person out in or authorizes action (*have no ~ for what you do; his promise or order, our strength, is our ~; I will be your ~; with the ~ of a good conscience*). 2. Voucher, written authorization to receive money (*dividend, treasury, ~*), carry out arrest or distress (*a ~ is out against him*), represent principal in lawsuit (~ of attorney), etc. 3. Certificate from War Office or Admiralty or Air Ministry (cf. COMMISSION) held by ~ officer (between commissioned officers & N.C.O.s, as gunner, boatswain, sergeant-major). [f. OF *warant* f. Teut. (G *gewähren* certify), -ANT]

war²rant² (wɔ-), v.t. Serve as warrant for, justify, (nothing can ~ such insolence), whence ~ABLE², (also, of a stag) of an age to be hunted (5 or 6 years); = (the now more usual) GUARANTEE v., esp. in sense answer for genuineness etc. of (goods; ~ed pure etc., to be so), & in I or I'll ~ (you) usu. parenthet. = no doubt, whence ~ER², ~OR², ~EE² (one to whom warranty is given), nn., (wɔ-). [f. OF *warantir* (prec.)]

war³rant³ (wɔ-), n. Authority or justification (usu. for doing or saying or supposing); (Law) express or implied undertaking on vendor's part that thing sold is vendor's & is fit for use or fulfils specified conditions. [f. OF *warantie* fem. p.p. of *warantir* WARRANT³]

war⁴ren (wɔ-), n. Piece of ground in which rabbits are preserved or abound (*like rabbits in a ~, of thick population*). [f. OF *warene* (*warir* keep, cogn. W. *WARE*⁴)]

war⁵rior (wɔ-), n. Distinguished or veteran soldier (rhet., poet.); member of any of the fighting services (*the Unknown W~*, or *Soldier*, unidentified body of one killed in the 1914-18 war selected for public burial as symbolizing his country's sacrifice); (attrib., of nation etc.) martial; (of savages) fighting man; ~ ant, of kinds that make slaves of other species. [f. OF *guerretur* (*guerretre* make war)]

wart (wɔrt), n. Small hardish exorescence on skin caused by abnormal growth of papillae (*paint one with his ~s, without concealment of blemishes*), similar lump on stem etc. of plant; ~grass, ~weed, ~wort, kind of spurge with juice used to cure ~s; ~hog, kinds of African large-headed swine with ~y lumps on face. Hence ~y¹ a. [OE *wearte*, cf. Du. *wart*, G *warze*]

war⁶'y, a. Given to caution, habitually on the look-out, circumspect; cautious

of doing; showing, done with, caution. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [as WARE² + -Y²]

was. See BE.

wash¹ (wō-), v.t. & i. 1. Cleanse with liquid (~ one's face etc., oneself, or any object; ~ thing out, clean its inside; ~ one's dirty LINEN; ~ one's hands, fig., decline responsibility usu. of), (fig.) purify (~ me thoroughly from mine iniquity); take (stain, dirt, etc.) out or off or away by ~ing; ~ up (plates etc., or usu. abs.), clean table utensils after use; (abs.) ~ oneself or esp. one's (face &) hands (*must ~ before dinner*), ~ clothes (~es for a living). 2. (Of coloured material or dye) bear ~ing without loss of colour (*won't ~, fig. of argument etc., stand examination*), whence ~ING² (wō-) a.; ~ed out, (fig.) enfeebled, limp, demoralized, esp. as effect of dissipation. 3. Moisten (*roses ~ed with dew*); (of river, sea, etc.) touch (coast, bank, country) with its waters. 4. (Of moving liquid) carry along in specified direction (chiefly in pass.; *a wave ~ed him overboard; was ~ed up by the sea; beef ~ed down with ale*); denude (*sea ~ed cliffs*); scoop out (*water had ~ed a channel*); go splashing or sweeping over, along, out in, or into. 5. Sift (ore) by action of water. 6. Brush thin coating of watery colour over (paper in water-colour or sepia painting, wall), coat (inferior metal) thinly with gold etc. Hence ~ABLE (wō-) a. [OE *wascan*, cf. Du. *waschen*, G *waschen*; cogn. w. WATER]

wash² (wō-), n. 1. Washing or being washed (*give it a good ~; must get a ~; the ~, treatment at laundry, as send the linen to the ~*); quantity of clothes just to be, being washed. 2. Visible or audible motion of agitated water, esp. waves caused by passage of vessel. 3. Soil swept off by water, alluvium. 4. Kitchen water & scraps given to pigs. 5. Thin or weak or inferior liquid food (*this soup, tea, claret, is mere ~*); (fig.) twaddle, wishwash. 6. Liquid for spreading over surface to cleanse or heal or colour, lotion, cosmetic; thin coating of water-colour, wall-colouring, or metal. [f. prec.]

wash³ (wō-), comb. form of WASH¹, a, often = & used as substitute for *washing*¹: || ~basin; ~board, of ribbed wood for use in scrubbing clothes at wash, also board attached to gunwale, port, etc., to prevent water from washing in, also board skirting bottom of room-wall; ~boiler, clothes-washing cauldron; ~bottle, apparatus for purifying gases etc. by passage through liquid; ~bowl; ~cloth, piece of linen etc. used in washing dishes etc.; ~day, on which clothes are washed; || ~hand-basin; || ~hand-stand, piece of furniture with toilet utensils; ~house, laundry; ~leather, chamels or similar leather; ~out, breach in railway or road

trap caused by flood, heavy rainfall, etc., (sl.) complete failure esp. to hit target, fiasco, (sl.) useless or inefficient person; ~pot (arch. exc. of pot with melted tin for final dipping of tinplate); ~stand, = ~hand-stand; ~tub, esp. for clothes.

wa'sher (wō-), n. In vbl senses; also, flat ring or perforated piece of leather, rubber, metal, etc., used to give tightness to joint, nut, fastening, etc.; || ~woman, laundress. [-ER¹]

wa'shing (wō-), n. In vbl senses (& see WASH-); esp., linen etc. sent to the wash; ~soda, sodium carbonate, used dissolved in water for ~ & cleaning; ~stand, = WASH-stand. [-ING¹]

Wa'shington (wō-), n. (Used for) the U.S. Government. [capital of U.S.]

Washington'ia (wō-), n. Californian palm-tree named after George Washington. [-IA¹]

wa'sh|y (wō-), a. (Of liquid food etc.) too watery, weak, thin, insipid; (of colour) faded-looking, thin; (of style, sentiment, etc.) diffuse, feeble, lacking vigour or compression. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

wasp (wō-), n. Kinds of hymenopterous social or solitary insect of which the common kind has black & yellow transverse stripes, very slender waist, taste for fruit & sweets, & powerfully venomous sting (*has a waist like a ~'s*, whence ~waisted² a.); ~bee, -beetle, -fly, kinds having some resemblance to ~. [OE *wæps*, cf. G *wespe*; for metath. cf. ASK, HASP; cogn. w. WEAWE, w. ref. to nests, & w. L *vespa*]

wa'spish (wō-), a. Irritable, petulant, ill-tempered, sharp in retort. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

wassail (wō'sl, wā'sl), n., & v.i. (arch.). 1. Festive occasion, drinking-bout; kind of liquor drunk on such occasion; ~bowl, -cup, -horn, etc. 2. v.i. Make merry, hold festivities. [f. OE *was* be thou (cf. *was* see BE), *hāl* WHOLE, form of salutation]

wast. See BE.

wast'age, n. Amount wasted or that runs to waste, loss by waste. [-AGE]

waste¹, a. (Of district etc.) desolate, desert, uninhabited, uncultivated, as result of natural barrenness etc. or of ravages or catastrophe (*lay ~, ravage; lie ~, be uncultivated; ~ land, not occupied for any purpose*); (fig.) monotonous or presenting no features of interest (*the ~ periods of history*); superfluous, refuse, no longer serving a purpose, left over after use, (~ products, useless by-products of manufacture; ~ energy, steam, etc.; ~ paper, esp. books or documents that fall or are valueless). [f. OE *waest* f. L *vastus*]

wäst'e², v.t. & i. Lay WASTE¹; (Law) bring (estate) into bad condition by

or neglect; expend to no purpose or for inadequate result, use extravagantly, squander, (*~e money, time, food, etc.*, or abs. as *~e not, want not; ~e breath or words, talk uselessly*); wear (t. & i.) gradually away, wither, (arch., of time) pass t. & i., (*his resources were ~ed, were rapidly ~ing; day ~es, draws to a close; sorcerer ~ed his arm; a ~ing disease; is ~ing away for lack of food*); run to waste (*that water is ~ing*). [f. OF *wasler* (now *gâler*) f. L. *vastare* (prec.)]

waste¹, n. 1. Desert, waste region, dreary scene, (*a ~ of waters, unbroken expanse of sea*). 2. Being used up, diminution by wear & tear, (*the ~ of tissue is continuous; ~ & repair balance each other*). 3. Waste material or food, useless remains, refuse, scraps, shreds; = COTTON ~. 4. Act of wasting, throwing away or extravagant or ineffectual use of time, money, food, etc., (*wifful ~ makes wofful want; it is ~ of time to argue further; run to ~, of liquid or fig. of affection etc., be wasted*). 5. (law). Injury to estate caused by act or neglect esp. of life-tenant. [as WASTE¹] **waste**², comb. form of WASTE¹, ², ³; ~basket, for waste odds & ends esp. of paper; || ~book in book-keeping, book in which rough preliminary entries of transactions are made; **waste'ful** (-tī-) a., extravagant, given to or exhibiting waste, whence **waste'fully**¹ adv., **waste'fulness** n.; **waste'less** (-tī-) a.; || ~paperbasket, receptacle for used papers etc.; ~pipe, for carrying off used or superfluous water.

wast'er, n. In vbl senses; also, article spoilt or flawed in manufacture; (sl.) good-for-nothing person. [-ER¹]

wast'rel, n. Thing spoilt in making; stray child, street arab, waif, good-for-nothing fellow; wasteful person. [f. WASTE² + -REL]

watch¹ (wō-), n. 1. Wakefulness at night (now rare; *in the ~es of the night, while one lies awake; pass as a ~ in the night, be soon forgotten*). 2. Alert state, being on the look-out, vigilance, constant observation, attention to what may come, (*keep ~, a ~, good or a good ~; ~ & ward*, orig. guard by night & day, now emphatic reduplication of ~; *on the ~, waiting usu. for expected or desired or feared occurrence*), whence ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., ~fulness n. 3. (hist.). Man or body of men charged with patrolling streets at night, guard (BLACK¹ ~, orig. an armed company). 4. (hist.). One of three or of four parts into which night was anciently divided (*first etc. or evening etc.*). 5. Four-hour spell of duty on board ship (DOG ~, 2-hr); one of the halves (*starboard & port ~ from position of men's bunks*) into which ship's crew is divided to make alternate duty. 6. Small timepiece furnished by coiled spring for carrying on

person (STOP ~). 7. ~case, outer metal case enclosing ~works; ~chain, metal ~guard; || W ~ Committee, committee of a borough council dealing with policing & lighting; ~dog, employed to give alarm of burglars etc.; ~fire, at night in camps etc.; || ~glass, disk covering face of ~; ~guard, chain or string for securing ~ on person; ~key, instrument for winding up ~works; ~maker; ~man, (formerly, & still poet.) sentinel or member of street patrol, (now) man employed to look after empty building etc. at night; ~night, last night of year esp. as celebrated by religious services; ~oil, fine thin kind for lubricating ~works etc.; ~pocket, in garment esp. waistcoat, or separate for attachment to bed etc., holding ~; ~spring, kind used in ~works, also mainspring of ~; ~stand, small pillar etc. for hanging ~ on; ~tower, post of observation usu. fortified; ~word, (formerly) military password, (now) phrase expressing briefly the principles of a party etc. (e.g. *Equal pay for equal work*). [OE *wæcce* (*wæccan*, see foll.)]

watch² (wō-), v.i. & t. Remain awake for a purpose (now rare; *~ed all night by his side; ~ & pray*); be on the watch, keep watch, be vigilant, look out for opportunity etc., exercise protecting care over; keep eyes fixed on, keep under observation, follow observantly, (*had him ~ed by detectives; if you don't ~ it, colloq., take care or precautions; ~ed pot never boils, strained expectation makes time seem long*); look out for, bide, await, (opportunity; ~ one's time, wait for right moment). Hence ~ER¹ n. [OE *wæccan* doublet of *wacian* WAKE¹]

wa'ter¹ (waw-), n. 1. Colourless transparent tasteless scentless compound of oxygen & hydrogen in liquid state convertible by heat into steam & by cold into ice, kinds of liquid consisting chiefly of this seen in sea, lake, stream, spring, rain, tears, sweat, saliva, urine, serum, etc., body of ~ as sea or lake or river, (*hot & cold, salt & fresh or sweet, smooth or still & rough or troubled, HARD or SOFT, aerated, saline, chalybeate, thermal, BLUE¹, HEAVY, HOLY, MINERAL, etc., ~; strong ~s, arch., distilled spirits; table ~s, esp. mineral ~s bottled for use at meals; red ~, bloody urine; in smooth ~, going easily, past one's troubles; on the ~, in boat or ship; by ~, using ships, barges, etc., for travel or transport; in deep ~ or ~s, floundering, in great difficulties, in affliction; still ~s run deep, quiet manner may cover depths of emotion, knowledge, or cunning; FISH¹ in troubled ~s; cup of cold ~, symbol of charitable intent; get into, be in, hot ~, bring or have brought trouble or rebuke on oneself by indiscretion etc.; throw cold ~ on scheme etc.,*

discourage or poohpooh it; *written in* ~, of name, achievements, etc., transient; *keep one's head above* ~, chiefly fig., avoid financial ruin; *the* ~s, rhet., the sea, as *cross the* ~s; *cast one's bread upon the* ~s, do good without looking for gratitude or immediate or definite return; *drink the* ~s, attend spa for health; *brings the* ~ to one's mouth, makes it water; FISH¹ out of ~; BETWEEN wind & ~; pour OIL¹ on the ~s; spend money, shed blood, like ~ lavishly or recklessly; go through FIRE¹ & ~; fire & ~, arch., symbol of necessities of life not to be supplied to outlaw; HOLD¹ ~; make, pass, ~, void urine; tread ~, maintain position in deep ~ by action of marking time; ~ on the brain, knee, etc., morbid accumulation of fluid; ~ bewitched, very weak tea etc. or spirit- & ~; ~ of life, spiritual enlightenment; ~s of forgetfulness, Lethe, oblivion, death.

2. State of tide (*high, low*, ~; *in low* ~, fig., in depressed condition, esp. badly off for money; *high, low*, ~ mark, highest, lowest, point reached by tidal ~, also fig. of best & worst results of fluctuating process).

3. Solution of specified substance in ~ (*lavender, rose*, etc., ~, scents; *soda, lithia, dill*, etc., ~, beverages or medicines).

4. Transparency & brilliance of gem esp. diamond (*of the first* ~, of finest quality, often also transf. as a *genius, blunder, of the first* ~).

5. (Finance) amount of nominal capital added by watering.

6. ~ (in compounds of which those especially that distinguish varieties of plants & animals are too numerous to be given separately), haunting, growing in, used or employed on, etc., the ~; of, for, worked or effected by, made with, containing, using, yielding, etc., ~. 7. || ~anchor, = DRAG²-anchor; || ~bailiff, customhouse officer at port (hist.), official who prevents poaching of fish in protected ~s; ~bed, rubber mattress filled with ~ for invalid to avoid bed-sores; ~bellows, blower made by suspension in ~ of inverted valved vessel by raising & lowering of which air is drawn in & expelled; ~bird; ~biscuit; ~blister, containing colourless fluid, not blood; ~boatman, kind of aquatic bug; ~borne, (of goods) conveyed by ~, (of diseases) communicated or propagated by use of contaminated drinking-~; ~bottle, esp. of glass for wash-hand-stand or dining table, also of metal etc. for soldier's kit; ~brush, form of indigestion with eructation of watery fluid; ~BREAKER²; ~buffalo, the common domestic Indian buffalo; ~butt; ~carriage, conveyance of goods by ~; W~carrier, Aquarius; ~cart, esp. with ~ for sale or for watering roads; ~chute, slope of boards slippery with running ~ for tobogganing down; ~closesl, place for evacuation of bowels with arrangement

for flushing pan with ~; ~colour, pigment mixed with ~ & not oil, picture painted with such colours, (pl. or sing.) art of painting such pictures; ~COMPRESS²; ~course, brook, stream; ~cracker, kind of biscuit; ~cress, creeping ~plant eaten as salad; ~cure, hydrophathy; ~drinker, (esp.) abstainer from alcohol; ~fall, stream falling over precipice or down steep hillside; ~finder, dowser (DOWSING); ~fowl (usu. collect. as pl.), birds haunting ~, esp. as objects of sport; ~gas, got by decomposing ~ & used after treatment with carbon as illuminant; ~gate, flood-gate, also gate giving access to river etc.; ~gauge, glass tube etc. indicating height of ~ inside reservoir, boiler, etc.; ~glass, tube with glass bottom enabling objects under ~ to be observed, also solution of silicate of soda used as a vehicle for fresco-painting, or used for preserving eggs; ~gruel; ~hammer, percussion made by ~ in pipe when tap is turned off, or by ~ in steam-pipe when live steam is admitted; ~hen, = MOOR 'hen; ~hole, shallow depression or cavity in which ~ collects (esp. in the bed of a river otherwise dry); ~ice, flavoured & frozen ~ & sugar; ~inch, quantity discharged in 24 hrs through 1 in. pipe under least pressure; ~jacket, case filled with ~ & enclosing part of machine that is to be kept cool; ~joint, proof against leakage; || ~junket, sandpiper; ~laid, (of rope) = CABLE¹-laid; ~lens, magnifying lens made of glass-bottomed brass cell filled with ~; ~level, surface of ~ in reservoir etc., also plane below which ground is saturated with ~, also levelling-instrument made of glass tube to be held horizontal with two upturned graduated open ends in which the contained ~ must be at same height; ~lily, kinds of plant with broad leaves & white or blue or yellow or red flowers floating on surface of ~; ~line, along which surface of ~ touches ship's side (when loaded, *load*-~line, when empty, *light* ~line), also one of the semi-transparent parallel lines formed in some papers in manufacture; ~logged, (of wood) so saturated, (of vessel) so filled, with ~ as barely to float; ~main, main pipe in ~supplying system; ~man, boatman plying for hire, also oarsman *good, bad*, etc., at keeping boat truly balanced etc., whence ~manship(3) n.; ~mark, (n.) faint design seen in some paper when held against light indicating maker, size, etc., (v.t.) impress such mark on in making; ~meadow, kept fertile by being flooded; ~melon, one of two divisions of melon (the other being musk-melon) with ellipsee shape, smooth skin, & watery juice; ~meter; ~mill, worked by ~wheel; ~monkey, jar with long narrow neck for ~ used in hot countries; ~motor, ~wheel,

turbine, small motor using ~ under pressure; ~*nymph*, naiad; ~ *OUZEL*; ~ *pillar*, upright with revolving head for feeding steam-engines etc.; ~*pipe*; ~*plane*, plane passing through ship's ~line; ~*plate*, with double bottom to hold hot ~ for keeping food warm; ~*platter*, kind of ~lily with upturned edges to leaves; *W* ~ *Poet* (the), John Taylor (d. 1653); ~ *polo*, hand-ball game with goals played by swimmers; ~*power*, mechanical force got from weight or motion of ~, fall in stream capable of being utilized as force; ~*proof*, (adj.) impervious to ~, (n.) ~proof garment or material, (v.t.) make ~proof with rubber etc., whence ~*proofs*¹ n.; ~*ram*, hydraulic ram; ~*rat*, = ~*vole*; ~*rade*, || charge made for use of public ~supply; ~*sail*, below lower studding-sail close over ~; ~*seal*, body of ~ used in bent pipe or about mouth of pipe to prevent passage or escape of gas; ~*shed*, line of separation between ~s flowing to different rivers or basins or seas [cogn. w. *SHED*¹], (pop.) slope down which ~ flows, (pop.) river basin; ~*shoot*, pipe or trough throwing off ~ from house etc.; ~*side*¹, margin of sea, lake, or river; ~*skin*, skin bag for carrying ~; ~*soldier*, aquatic plant with flowers above surface; ~ *souchy* (sɒʃ'ʃl), fish boiled & served in its own liquor; ~*spout*, phenomenon in which whirling cloud forms a funnel-shaped pendant, which descends towards sea & draws up corresponding volume of whirling ~, the whole forming a pillar uniting sea & cloud; ~*sprite*; ~*supply*, providing & storing of ~, amount of ~ stored, for use of town, house, etc.; ~*table*, string-course arranged to throw ~ off building, plane below which the soil or rock is saturated with ~; ~*tiger*, larva of certain ~beetles; ~*tight*, (of joint, boots, cask, compartment in ship, etc.) tightly enough fastened or fitted to prevent ingress or egress of ~ (~*tight compartments*, fig., keeping of subjects etc. entirely separate); ~*tower*, supporting elevated tank to secure pressure for distributing ~supply; ~*tube boiler*, in which ~ circulates in tubes exposed to flames & hot gases; ~*vole*, large vole haunting ~; ~*waggon*, = ~*cart* (on the ~*waggon*, sl., abstaining from alcohol); ~ *wagtail*, common pied wagtail; ~*wave*, wave in the hair produced by ~*waving*, a method of waving hair with the use of ~; ~*way*, navigable channel, also thick planks at outer edge of deck along which channel is hollowed for ~ to run off by; ~*wheel*, kinds of wheel (*overshot*, *undershot*, *breast*, & *turbine*, *wheel*) worked by ~ & working machinery; ~*wings*, floats attached to shoulders of persons jumping to swim; ~*wick*, = ~*finder*, also kinds of bird; ~*withe*, W.-Ind. vine

so full of sap that branch broken off yields draught of ~; ~*works*, establishment for managing ~supply, also ornamental fountain (*turn on the ~works*, sl., shed tears). Hence ~*LESS* a. [Aryan; OE *water*, of Du. *water*, G *wasser*, Gk *hudōr*, L *unda* wave, Skr. *uddn*; cogn. w. *WET*] *wa'ter*¹ (waw-), v.t. & i. 1. Sprinkle (road, plants, etc.), adulterate (milk, beer, etc.), with water. 2. Give drink of water to (horse etc.), (of animals) go to pool etc. to drink. 3. (Of ship, engine, etc., or persons in charge) take in supply of water. 4. (Of smarting eyes, or of mouth when food is seen or food or pleasure eagerly anticipated) secrete or run with water (*makes one's mouth ~*, excites desire or envy). 5. (Chiefly in p.p., as ~ed silk) produce irregular wavy damask-like markings on (material) by moistening & pressing in manufacture. 6. (Finance) increase (company's debt or nominal capital) by issue of new shares without corresponding addition to assets. 7. ~ *down*, make (details of story etc.) less vivid or horrifying; ~*ing-cart*, with perforated pipe or other device for ~ing road; ~*ing-place*, pool etc. at which animals ~, also spa, also seaside place frequented at certain seasons by holiday-makers & invalids; ~*ing-pot*, with perforated nozzle for ~ing plants. [OE *waterian* f. *water*, see prec.]

*Waterloo*¹ (waw-), n. The battle in which Napoleon was finally defeated; (with a or his) crushing blow, decisive contest, chiefly in phr. *meet one's ~*.

*wa'ter*² (waw-), a. Containing too much water, over-moist, sodden, (esp. of cooked vegetables or fish); (of eyes or lips) suffused or running with water; (of liquids) too thin, actually or apparently diluted, resembling water, (fig., of expression, talk, style, etc.) vapid, insipid, uninteresting, feeble, (of colour) pale, washed out; indicative of rain (*a ~y moon, sky*). Hence ~*INESS* n. [-y¹]

watt (wõt), n. Unit of electric power, rate of working in circuit when electromotive force is one volt & intensity of current one ampere. Hence ~*METER* n. [J. W'~, engineer (d. 1819)]

Watteau (wõt'ô), n. French painter d. 1721 (~ *back*, arrangement of woman's dress-back-with broad pleat falling from neck to ground without girdle; ~ *bodice*, with square opening at neck & short ruffled sleeves).

*wa'ttle*¹ (wô-), n., & v.t. 1. Interlaced rods & twigs as material of fences, walls, or roofs (~ *& daub*, plastered with mud or clay); (sing. or pl.) rods & twigs for such use; kinds of Australian acacia supplying such twigs, having bark used in tanning, & bearing golden flowers adopted as national emblem; (dial.) a wicker hurdle. 2. v.t. Construct of ~; interlace (*twigs*

etc.); enclose or fill up with ~-work. [OE *waful* etym. dub., cf. *walla* a bandage]

wat'tle¹ (wō-), n. Fleeshy appendage on head or throat of turkey & other birds; **HARE**¹ of fish. Hence ~**ED**¹ (wōt'ld) a. [perh. f. prec. through the doubtful sense wicker-basket; perh. = obs. *wartle* dim. of *WART*]

waul, v.i. Squall, cry like cat. [imit.]

wāve¹, v.i. & t. 1. Vibrate or be stirred with sinuous or sweeping motions like those of flag or tree or field of corn in wind, flutter, undulate; impart waving motion to (~ *sword*, brandish it as encouragement to followers etc.; ~ one's *hand* often to person, in greeting or as signal); ~ hand or thing held in it usu. to person, give direction thus to person to do, send (person *away* thus, summon (person) *nearer* thus, direct (person) thus to do, express *farewell* etc. thus; ~ *aside*, dismis as intrusive or irrelevant. 2. Give undulating surface or course or appearance to (hair of head, lines in drawing, etc.), make wavy, (of hair, line, etc.) have such appearance, be wavy. [OE *waflan* undulate, cf. MHG *waben*]

wāve², n. 1. Ridge of water between two depressions or (also *breaker*) long body of water curling into arched form & breaking on shore (the ~s or ~, poet. & rhet., the sea, water; *attack in ~s*, Mil., in successive lines advancing like sea-~s). 2. Disturbance of the particles of a fluid medium e.g. water, air, ether, into a ridge-&-trough oscillation by which motion is propagated & heat, light, sound, electricity, etc., conveyed in some direction without corresponding advance or without any advance of the particles in the same direction; single curve in the course of such motion. 3. Temporary heightening of some influence or condition or feeling (a ~ of *enthusiasm*, *prosperity*, *depression*; *heat*, *cold*, ~, rise or fall of temperature travelling over large area). 4. Undulating line or outline or surface, waviness. 5. Gesture of waving. 6. ~ *length*, distance in any undulation from one crest to the next; corresponding distance between points in the same phase in sound ~s or electromagnetic radiation, i.e. the speed of light divided by the frequency. Hence ~**LESS** a., ~**LET** n., (-vl-). [f. prec.]

wāv'er, v.i. Oscillate unsteadily, flicker, quiver, (rare; chiefly of flame); (of troops) falter, become unsteady, begin to give way; be irresolute or undecided between different courses or opinions, be shaken in resolution or belief. Hence ~**ER**¹ n., ~**INGLY**² adv. [WAVE¹, -ER¹]

wāv'y¹, a. Undulating, (of line or surface) consisting of or showing alternate contrary curves, (~ *hair*); || *W* ~ *Navy* (colloq.), R.N.V.R. (from ~ line of

insignia on sleeve). Hence wāv'ly² adv., wāv'iness n. [-Y¹]

wāv'y², -ey, n. The snow-geese. [f. Amer.-Ind. *wauwa*]

wawl. = **WAUL**.

wāx¹, n., & v.t. 1. Sticky plastic yellowish substance secreted by bees as material of honeycomb cells, bees~, white translucent scentless tasteless material got from this by bleaching & purifying & used for candles, in modelling, & for other purposes, (*would* one like ~, form his character on desired lines or induce him to act just as desired); substance resembling ~ in some respect, as the secretion of some other insects esp. *Chinese* ~, ear~ or cerumen, *mineral* ~, esp. ozocerite, bee-bread, *paraffin* ~, obtained from shale or petroleum, *vegetable* ~ or exudation of certain plants, *SEAL*²ing~, *COBBLES*²~, (attrib., now usu. preferred to *waxen*) made of ~. 2. ~*bill*, kinds of small bird with translucent bill; ~ *candle*; ~*chandler*, maker or seller of ~ candles; ~*cloth*, floor-cloth; ~ *doll*, with face etc. of ~, also person esp. woman with pretty but unexpressive face; ~*insect*, kinds that secrete ~, esp. that collected as *Chinese* ~ from which superior candles are made; ~*light*, taper or candle of ~; ~*myrtle*, candleberry; ~*painting*, encaustic; ~*palm*, S.-Amer. palm with stem coated in mixture of resin & ~; ~*paper*, waterproofed with layer of ~; ~*pink*, kind of garden-plant; ~*pocket*, one of bee's ~-exuding apertures; ~*pod*, = *BUTTER-BEAN*; ~*tree*, kinds exuding ~ or encrusted with it by insects; ~*wing*, kinds of bird with small horny tips like red sealing~ to some feathers; ~*work*, modelling-work, objects modelled in ~, esp. dummies of persons with face & hands of coloured ~ clothed to look like life & be exhibited. 3. v.t. Smear, polish, encrust, treat surface of, with ~. [com.-Teut.: OE *weax*, cf. Du. *was*, G *wachs*]

wāx², v.i. (Of moon between new & full) have progressively larger part of surface illuminated (cf. *wane*; ~ & *wane* also transf. of influence etc., undergo alternations of increase & decrease); (arch. & poet.) grow or increase; (with adj. compl.) pass into specified condition or esp. mood or tone (~ *fat*, *old*, *merry*, *facetious*, *indignant*, *pathetic*, *angry*). [Aryan; OE *weaxan*, cf. Du. *wassen*, G *wachsen*, Gk *auxanē*, L *augere*, Skr. *vaksh*]

wāx³, n. (sl.). Fit of anger (*is in, got into, put him in, a ~*). [?]

wāx'en, a. Made of wax (being ousted by attrib. use of *wax*); presenting surface as of wax (esp. of complexion, used with less of depreciation than *waxy*); impassible as wax, plastic. [-EN¹]

wāx'y, a. Resembling wax in some way, esp. easily moulded or presenting smooth

pale translucent surface; (of tissue) having degenerated into consistency resembling wax (so ~y liver etc.); || (sl.) angry, quick-tempered. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [WAX¹, ~-Y²]

way, n. 1. Road or track lit. or fig. provided for passing along (HIGH~; OVER the ~; || permanent ~, complete piece of regular railroad track; || six-foot ~, space left between each pair of rails & the next on railway; covered ~, roofed or in Fortif. screened passage; Appian, Latn. etc., Way, great Roman roads in Italy; MILKY ~; the ~ of the Cross, series of paintings in church etc., to receive successive attention in certain services, illustrating Christ's progress to Calvary; go the ~ of all the earth, of all flesh, of nature, die; pave the ~ for, take steps that will facilitate or prepare people's minds to accept some change); (pl.) structure of timber etc. on which new ship is slid down at launch. 2. Best route or route taken or contemplated between two places or to place, method or plan for attaining object, person's desired or chosen course of action, (ask the or one's ~; furthest ~ about is nearest ~ home, short cuts are delusive; find one's or the ~, reach destination; lose one's or the ~, go astray; parting of the ~s, usu. fig., time for momentous decision; take one's ~, go in some direction, usu. to or towards; go one's ~ or ~s, depart; came by ~ of London, via; lead the ~, act as guide or leader, show by example how thing can be done; put oneself out of the ~, inconvenience oneself to serve another; is nothing out of the ~, not uncommon or remarkable; an out-of-the-~ corner, remote, inaccessible; go out of the or one's ~ to be rude, show wanton rudeness; right & wrong ~s of doing a thing; that is the ~ to do it; don't like the ~ she smiles; where there's a will there's a ~; you will never manage it that ~; will find or make a ~; will do it one ~ or another; ~s & means, methods esp. of providing money as in parliamentary Committee of Ways & Means; go, take, one's own ~, act independently esp. against others' advice; have one's own or one's ~, get what one wants, see one's orders carried out or desires gratified). 3. Travelling-distance, length of road etc. (to be) traversed, (India is a long ~ off; went a little, a good, a long, some, ~ with or to meet him; once in a ~; is still a long ~ off perfection). 4. Unimpeded opportunity of advance, room free of obstacles, ground over which advance is desired or would naturally take place, (give ~, MAKE ~, ~; LION in the ~; stand, be, in the ~ of, in one's ~, or in the ~, be obstacle to, be obstacle; get out of, in, the ~, cease, begin, to be impediment; get thing out of the ~, dispose of, get rid of, settle; put person out of the ~, confine or

secretly kill him; clear the ~, remove obstacles, stand aside; RIGHT of ~; put one in the ~ of a good bargain, of doing, give him opportunity). 5. Being engaged, time spent, in locomotion lit. or fig. (with songs to cheer the ~; met him on the ~ out or home; is on the ~, travelling or approaching; by the ~, during journey, (fig.) incidentally, often used by speaker to introduce more or less irrelevant remark). 6. Specified direction (usu. in adv. phr. without prep.; which ~ is he looking, going?; look the other ~, avoid meeting person's eye, cut him; appended colloq. to names of places, as lives somewhere London ~). 7. Custom, manner of behaving, personal peculiarity, (the good old ~s, old fashions; stand in the ancient ~s, avoid what is newfangled; the ~ of the world, conduct no worse than is justified by custom; it is not my ~ to desert people in misfortune; has a little ~ of leaving his bills unpaid; it is only his ~, piece of rudeness etc. from him has no special significance, so pretty Fanny's ~). 8. Scope, sphere, range, line of occupation, branch of business, (hunting is not, does not lie or come or fall, in my ~; is in the grocery ~, a grocer; want a few things in the stationery ~). 9. Advance in some direction, impetus, progress, (make one's ~ home, into a shop, etc.; make one's or one's own ~, prosper; make the best of one's ~, go as fast as one can; make ~, advance lit. or fig.; galter, lose, ~, gain or lose speed; give ~, of oarsmen, row hard; ~ enough!, call to boat's crew to complete their stroke & then cease rowing; ship has ~ on, is under ~, moves through water). 10. Respect (not a bad fellow in some ~s; is satisfactory in one or a ~; in a ~, to a limited extent, not altogether; no ~ inferior, not at all). 11. Ordinary course (did it in the ~ of business). 12. Condition, assumption, hypothesis, state, train, degree, (things are in a bad ~; have it BOTH ~s; || each ~, both ~s, in backing horse etc., to win, to be placed; any ~, in either or any case or event; we are all in the same ~, live in a SMALL ~; is an author, builds ships, in a small ~, on small scale; || be in a ~ or a great ~, colloq., be agitated; || be in the family ~, with child). 13. By ~ of, as substitute for or form of, with intention of, (carries a stick by ~ of weapon; did it by ~ of apology, of discovering the truth; is by ~ of making an effort, represents himself to himself or others to be doing so). 14. ~-bill, list of passengers or parcels on conveyance; || ~-board, thin layer separating thicker strata; ~-farrer, ~-faring, traveller, travelling, esp. on foot; ~-faring-tree, white-flowered shrub common along roadsides; ~-lay v.t., lie in wait for, wait about for to rob or interview; ~-leave, right of ~ rented by mine-

owners etc.; ~shaft in steam-engine, rocking shaft for working slide-valve from eccentric; ~side, side of road (esp. attrib., as ~side flowers, inn); ~worn, tired with travel. [com.-Teut.: OE, also Du. & G. wæg, cogn. w. WAIN, L *vehere* carry, Skr. *vah* carry]

-ways (-z), suf. forming advv. usu. of position or direction, & often used indifferently with -wise; length~, side~, al~, etc. [prec., -ES]

wayward, a. Childish self-willed or perverse, capricious, unaccountable, freakish. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [for *awayward*, cf. *froward*]

|| **wayz'göose**, n. Printing-house's annual festivity. [earlier *waygoose* (1683; *wayz*-1731), etym. dub.]

wē, pl. sub. of I² (used, besides the ordinary pron. use, by royal person in proclamations etc. instead of I, by writer in unsigned article of newspaper etc., & as collective name for speaker & all others of the class that context shows him to be representing for the moment). [com.-Teut.: OE *wē*, cf. Du. *wij*, G. *wir*, Skr. *vay-am*]

weak, a. 1. Wanting in strength or power or number, fragile, easily broken or bent or defeated, (~ barrier, rope, etc.); ~ as a cat, water; a ~ eleven, of poor players; offer but a ~ resistance; ~ vessel, usu. fig., unreliable person; a ~ crew, short-handed; ~ hand, deficient in high cards; the ~er sex, woman; ~est goes to WALL; ~ knees, usu. fig., inability to stand firm, want of resolution, whence ~-kneed² (-nēd) a.; ~ ending in blank verse, unaccented or proclitic word such as *if* at end). 2. Wanting in vigour, not acting strongly, sickly, feeble, (~ constitution, want of power to resist disease etc.; ~ stomach, easily upset; ~ eyes, sight, easily tired or not seeing well, whence ~-eyed² (-id), ~-sighted², aa.: ~ heart, acting feebly; ~ mind, head, below average in intelligence, verging on idioecy, whence ~-minded², ~-headed², aa.; so ~ intellect; ~ imagination; ~ voice, easily tired or not reaching far; ~ demand for goods or stocks, slack; so the market was ~). 3. Wanting in resolution or power of resisting temptation, easily led, (~ character, man; person's ~ side or point, at which he is open to temptation); (of action) indicating want of resolution in agent (a ~ surrender, compliance). 4. Unconvincing, logically deficient, (~ logic, evidence; a ~ argument). 5. (Of mixed liquid or solution) watery, thin, (~ tea, brandy-&-water, brine). 6. (Of style etc.) not nervous or well-knit, diffuse, slipshod. 7. (gram.). Inflected by consonantal additions to, not vowel change in, stem (in English esp. of verbs making past & p.p. by addition of -ed). Hence ~EN⁶ v.t. & i., ~ISE¹(2) a., ~LY¹

[fly²] adv. [f. ON *veik-r* weak, cogn. w. OE *wac* pliant]

weak'ling, n. Feeble person etc. [-LING¹]
weak'ly², a. Sickly, not robust, ailing. [-LY¹]

weak'ness, n. In adj. senses; also or esp.: weak point or defect; inability to resist a particular temptation; foolish liking or inclination for. [-NESS]

weal¹, n. Welfare, prosperity, good fortune, (chiefly now in ~ & woe, ~ or woe, in COMMONWEAL, & in for the public or general ~). [OE *wela* wealth, cogn. w. WELL²]

weal². See WALE.

weald, n. District including parts of Kent, Surrey, Hants, & Sussex, with geologically interesting characteristics; ~clay, beds of clay, sandstone, limestone, & iron-stone, forming top of ~ strata, with abundant fossil remains. [OE, = forest, cogn. w. WOLD]

|| **weal'den**, a. & n. 1. Of the weald, resembling the weald geologically. 2. n. Series of lower-cretaceous freshwater strata above oolite & below chalk best exemplified in the weald. [-EN³]

wealth (wēl-), n. Welfare, prosperity, (arch.; in health & ~ long to live); riches, large possessions, opulence, being rich; the rich; abundance, a profusion or great quantity or display, of (a ~ of illustration, wit, fruit; ~ of words is not eloquence). Hence ~Y² a., ~ILY² adv., ~INESS n. [WEAL¹ + -TH¹, cf. Du. *weelde* luxury]

wean¹, v.t. Teach (sucking child or animal) to feed otherwise than from the breast (often from mother or breast); disengage or cure from or rarely of habit, specified company, etc., by enforced abstinence or counter-attractions. [OE *wenian* accustom, cf. Du. *wennen*, G. *gewöhnen*, accustom; cogn. w. WONT¹]

|| **wean²**, n. (Sc.). Child. [=wee *ane* little one]

wean'ling, n. New-weaned child etc. [-LING¹]

wea'pon (wēp-), n. Material thing designed or used or usable as an instrument for inflicting bodily harm. e.g. gun, rifle, sword, spear, stick, hammer, poker, horn, claw; action or procedure or means used to get the better in a conflict (*irony is a double-edged ~*; *use the ~ of a general strike*; *tears, the woman's ~*). Hence ~LESS a. [com.-Teut.: OE *wāpen* cf. Du. *wapen*, G. *Waffe*]

wear¹ (wār), v.t. & i. (*wōre*, *wōrn*). 1. Be dressed habitually in, have on, carry or exhibit on one's person or some part of it, (~s green, serge, knickerbockers, etc., as usual colour etc.; *is ~ing diamonds*, on this occasion; *worn clothes*, that have been put on at least once; ~ the crown, sword, gown, willow, breeches, be a monarch or martyr, soldier, lawyer, desolate lover, husband-ruling wife; ~ one's hair long, short, etc.; ~ a face of joy, sour look,

etc.; ~ **HEART** on sleeve; ~ person or principle in one's heart, be devoted to; ~ one's years well, remain young-looking; whence ~**ER**¹ n.; (of ship) fly (flag). 2. Injure surface of, partly consume or obliterate, damage, attenuate, or alter, by rubbing or use, suffer such injury or consumption or change, come or bring into specified state by use, rub (t. & i.) off or out or away or down, (step worn with pilgrims' knees; worn clothes, the worse for wear; inscription has been worn, or has worn, away; ~ the freshness, the nap, off; impression soon ~s off; clothes ~ to one's shape, fit better with use; ~ one's trousers, trousers have worn, into holes or bagginess; seams ~ while, ragged, threadbare; is worn to a shadow with care; stick ~s down to a stump; a worn or well-worn joke, stale; ~ out, use or be used till usable no longer). 3. Exhaust, tire or be tired out, put down by persistence, (worn with travel; a ~ing occupation, companion, etc.; ~ out one's welcome, go too often or stay too long as visitor etc.; his patience wore, or was worn, out at last; succeeded in ~ing down opposition). 4. Endure continued use well, badly, etc., remain specified time in working order or presentable state, last long, (won't ~, of inferior material, transitory impression, etc.; ~s for years; person ~s well, retains youthful strength or esp. look). 5. (Of time) go slowly or tediously on, pass (t. & i. of time) gradually away, (winter, time, day, ~s on or away; ~ away or out one's life or time or youth in trifles; ~ through the day, get through it somehow). 6. Make (hole, groove, channel) by attrition (usu. of incidental or undesigned action, cf. **BORN**¹; often of water). 7. ~ing-apparel, clothes; ~ing-iron or -plate, piece of metal attached to protect surface exposed to friction. Hence ~**ABLE** a. [Aryan: OE *wērian*, cf. ON *verja*, Goth. *wasjan*; cogn. w. L *vestis*, Gk *cathēs*, clothes, Skr. *vas* to dress]

wear² (wār), n. 1. Wearing or being worn on person, use as clothes, (the best materials for Sunday, working, spring, seaside, etc., ~; serges were in general ~, fashionable; the coat I have in ~, am regularly wearing). 2. Thing to wear, fashionable or suitable apparel, (in phr. on type of *molly's the only ~*; also in foot etc. ~ chiefly in trade use as collective for things worn on feet etc.). 3. Damage sustained as result of ordinary use (esp. ~ & tear; will stand any amount of ~; is the worse for ~, damaged by use). 4. Capacity for resisting ~ & tear (there is a great deal of, no, ~ in it). [f. prec.]

wear³ (wār), v.t. & i. (naut.; past & p.p. *wore*). Bring (ship), (of ship) come, about by putting up of helm (cf. *lack*). [etym. dub; perh. corrupt. of **WEAR** by confusion w. **WEAR**¹]

wear⁴ = **WEAR**.

wear¹ (y, a., & v.t. & i. 1. Tired, with energy abated, dispirited; sick or impatient of; tiring, tedious, irksome; hence ~**ILY**² adv., ~**INESS** n. 2. vb. Make ~y (esp. of or with impatience or monotony), whence ~**ISOME** a., ~**ISOMELY**² adv., ~**ISOMENESS** n.; grow ~y (esp. of impatience or impatience person), whence ~**ILESS** a.; (chiefly Sc.) long to do or for. [OE *wērig*, cf. OHG *wuarag* drunk; cogn. w. OE *wōrian* go astray; not f. **WEAR**¹]

weas'and (wēz-), n. (arch.). Windpipe (*slit* one's ~, cut his throat). [OE *weasend*, cf. OHG *weisunt*, etym. dub.]

weas'el (-zl), n. Small nimble reddish-brown white-bellied slender-bodied carnivorous quadruped allied to stoat & ferret (catch a ~ asleep, deceive wide-awake person); ~-faced, with thin sharp features. [OE *weasle*, cf. Du. *weszel*, G. *wiesel*] **weather**¹ (wēdh-), n. & a. 1. Atmospheric conditions prevailing at a place & time, combination produced by heat or cold, clearness or cloudiness, dryness or moisture, wind or calm, high or low pressure, & electrical state, of local air & sky, (April ~, showers alternating with sunshine, fig. smiles & tears; FAIR¹, FOUL¹, DIRTY, FINE, SOFT, ~; || King's or Queen's ~, fine on ceremonial occasion; favourable, seasonable, good, bad, etc., ~; under stress of ~, owing to storms etc.; CLERK of the ~; make good or bad ~, Naut., meet with; make heavy ~ of, fig., find trying; under the ~, sl., indisposed, out of sorts). 2. ~-beaten, seasoned by or bearing the marks of exposure to storms; ~-board, (n.) sloping board attached at bottom of door to keep out rain, (vb) supply with ~-boarding, -boards, horizontal boards of which each overlaps the next below to throw off rain as protective casing to wall etc.; ~-bound, unable to proceed owing to bad ~; ~-box, ~-indicator with figures of man & woman, one issuing to foreshow rain, the other fine ~; ~-bureau, meteorological office; ~-chart, diagram showing details of ~ over wide area; ~-cock, revolving pointer often in shape of cock mounted in high place esp. on church spire to show whence wind blows, (fig.) inconstant person; ~-contact or -cross, leakage from one telegraph wire to another due to wet ~; ~-forecast, prophecy of the day's ~; ~-glass, barometer; ~-map, = ~-chart; ~-moulding, dripstone; ~-PROOF¹; ~-prophet, person who foretells ~; ~-service, -ship, organization, ship, for meteorological observations; ~-stain, discoloration of wall etc. by exposure; so ~-stained; ~-station, post of observation in connexion with ~-service; ~-strip, piece of material used to make door or window proof against rain or wind; ~-tiles, arranged to overlap like ~-boarding;

~vane, = ~cock; ~wise, able to forecast ~; ~worn, marked by storms etc. 3. adj. (naut.). Windward (on the ~ quarter, beam, bow, etc.; have the ~ gage or GAUGE¹ of; keep one's ~ eye open, fig., be on the look-out); hence ~MOST a. [com.-Teut.: OE *weder*, cf. Du. *weder*, G *wetter*; cogn. w. WIND¹, & w. Skr. *vā*, Gk *aēmi*, blow]

wea'ther² (wēdh-), v.t. & i. 1. Expose to atmospheric changes; (usu. in pass.) discolour or partly disintegrate (rock, stones) by exposure to air (esp. in Geol.); be discoloured or worn thus. 2. (Of ship or its crew) get to windward of (cape etc.); come safely through (storm lit. or fig.). 3. Make (boards, tiles) overlap downwards, whence ~ING² n. [f. prec.]

wea'therliŷ (wēdh-), a. (naut.). (Of ship) making little leeway, capable of keeping close to wind. Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

weave, v.t. & i. (*woove*, *woven* &, chiefly in some trade phrr., *wove*), & n. 1. Form (thread etc.) into fabric, (fabric) out of thread etc., by interlacing, make fabric thus, work at loom; work up (facts etc.), introduce (details), into a story or connected whole, fashion (tale, poem, etc.); contrive (plot); (R.A.F. sl.) dodge, take evasive action; *woven*(n) *paper*, with uniform unlined surface given by making in frame of crossed wire-gauze. 2. n. Style of weaving. [com.-Teut.: OE *wefan* cf. Du. *weven*, G *weben*; cogn. w. Gk *huphē* web]

weav'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: artisan who lives by weaving (~'s *knot*, kind used esp. for joining cords of different size); (also ~bird) kinds of bird remarkable for elaborate or dextrously made textile nests. [-ER¹]

weazen. See WIZENED.

wēb, n. 1. Woven fabric, amount woven in one piece, (also fig., as a ~ of lies). 2. Cob~ (with help of context only; often *spider's* ~), similar product of any spinning creature, gossamer, etc. 3. Membrane filling spaces between toes esp. of swimming bird or bat; connective tissue. 4. Vane of feather. 5. Large roll of paper used esp. in newspaper-printing. 6. Thin flat part connecting more solid parts in machinery etc., e.g. part of railway-carriage wheel between nave & rim. 7. ~eye, disease of eye with film or excrecence, whence ~eyED¹ (-id) a.; ~fingers, ~toes, abnormally or normally connected with ~, whence ~fingerED², ~toed² (-tōd), aa.; ~foot, with ~toes, whence ~footED² a.; ~wheel, with plate or ~ instead of spokes, or with rim, spokes, & centre, in one piece as in watch-wheels; ~worm, kinds of gregarious larvae spinning large ~s to sleep or to feed on enclosed foliage in. Hence ~hed² (-bd) a. [OE *wēbb* (wefan WEAVE), cf. Du. *web*, G *gewebe*]

wēbb'ing, n. Strong narrow fabric such as is used for horse-girths, gymnastic belts, etc.; stronger edging of more delicate fabric. [-ING¹]

wēd, v.t. & i. (~ded, ~ded or rarely & not in adj. use *wed*). (Of party, priest, or parent etc.) MARRY¹ (t. & i. rhet. exo. in p.p. ~ded in adj. use, as a ~ded pair; ~ded life, bliss, etc., in matrimony); unite (qualities often separated; ~efficiency to economy); (p.p.) devoted to opinions, pursuits, etc., so as to be unable to abandon them. [OE *weddian* to pledge (*wed* a pledge, cogn. w. L *vas* vadic), cf. Du. *wedden*, G *wetten*, wager, & WAGE, WAGER, GAGE¹]

wēdd'ing, n. Marriage ceremony (& festivities); *silver, golden, diamond, ~*, 25th, 50th, 60th or 75th, anniversary of ~; || *penny ~*, with money contributions from guests; ~ *breakfast*, entertainment usual between ~ ceremony & departure for honeymoon; ~cake, distributed to ~guests & sent in portions to absent friends; ~cards, with names of pair sent to friends as announcement of ~; ~day, day or anniversary of ~; ~favour, white rosette or knot of ribbons worn in honour of ~; ~garment, qualification for participating in something (ref. to *Matth. xxii. 11*); ~ring, that put on bride's finger at ~ceremony & usu. worn constantly as distinctive mark of married woman. [-ING¹]

wēdge, n., & v.t. 1. Piece of wood or metal of which one end is an acute-angled edge formed by two converging planes used to split wood or rock or widen opening or exert force in various ways, one of the MECHANICAL powers (or a special application of the INCLINE¹d plane), (*this end of the ~*, change, measure, action, etc., that will lead to further changes or developments & is therefore of more importance than it seems); anything resembling a ~ in being chiefly outlined by two radial planes or lines converging at acute angle (*a ~ of cake* etc.; *the seats are disposed in ~s*; *drew up his men in a ~*); ~shaped, like solid ~, also V-shaped; ~tailed, of birds having middle tail-feathers longest; hence ~WISE adv. 2. v.t. Split with ~ (rare); fasten by use of ~; thrust or pack (usu. in) tightly between other things or persons; push off or away like a ~. [com.-Teut.: OE *wecg*, cf. Du. *wegge*, G *wecke* kind of loaf]

Wēdg'wēdd, n. Kind of semi-vitrified pottery. [J. ~, inventor d. 1795]

wēd'lōck, n. The married state (*born in lawful ~*, legitimately, of married parents). [OE *wēddc* (*wed* pledge, *lōc* action) marriage vow]

Wednesday (wēns'di), n. Fourth day of week (ASH¹ ~). [OE *wōdnas dæg* day of Woden or Odin, transl. of LL *die Mercurii*]

wee, a. (~er, ~est). Little, very small, (chiefly in nursery or Sc. use); *Wee Frees*, nickname for part of Free Church of Scotland that refused inclusion in the United Free Church in 1900. [f. ME *wei*, *wee*, *we*, hit, usu. in phr. a *little we*, f. OE *wæg* weight, balance, cf. WEY]

weed, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Wild herb springing where it is not wanted (*ill ~s grow apace*, gibe at tall or fast-growing child); cigar (colloq.); *the (Indian, soothing, etc.) ~*, tobacco; lanky & weakly horse or person; ~grown, ~y or overgrown with ~s; hence ~LESS, ~Y², aa., ~'INESS n. 2. vb. Clear (ground) of ~s (also fig.), cut off or uproot ~s, whence ~ER¹ (1, 2) n.; sort out (inferior parts or members of a quantity or company) for riddance, rid (quantity or company) of inferior members etc. [vb (cf. Du. *wieden*) f. n., OE *wéod*, cf. OSax. *wiōd*, etym. dub.]

weeds (-z), n. pl. Mourning worn by widow (usu. *widow's ~*). [earlier sense in sing. *garment*, ME *wēde* f. OE *wēd*, *wīde*, cf. ON *wādh*]

week, n. 1. Period of seven days reckoned from midnight on Saturday-Sunday (*what day of the ~ is it?*, is it Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturday?; HOLY, PASSION, EASTER, ~; ~ of *Sundays* or ~s, seven ~s; *feast of ~s*, Jewish PENTECOST; *middle of next ~*, see KNOCK¹). 2. Period of seven days reckoned from any point (*can you come to us for a ~?*; *today ~*, 7 days hence; *tomorrow, yesterday, Friday, etc.*, ~, day later, earlier, than such future, past, day by a ~; *have not seen you for ~s*; *did it ~s ago*). 3. The six days between Sundays. 4. ~day, any day other than Sunday; ~end, Sunday & parts of Saturday & Monday as time for holiday or visit, (v.l.) make ~end visit etc., whence ~ēn'der¹ n. [com.-Tent.: OE *wice*, *wucu*, cf. Du. *week*, OHG *wehha*; also ON *vikja* to turn, G *wechsel* change]

week'ly, a., adv., & n. 1. (Occurring, issuing, done, etc.) once a week, every week; of or for or lasting a week. 2. n. ~ newspaper or periodical. [-LY^{1, 2}]

ween, v.t. (poet.). Be of opinion (usu. *I ~ abs.* & parenthet. also with *that* expressed or omitted), expect to get etc. [com.-Tent.: OE *wēnan*, cf. Du. *wanen*, G *wähnen*, fancy]

weep, v.i. & t. (*wépt*). 1. Shed tears (for person; for pain, rage, joy, etc.); shed tears for, lament over, bewail. 2. Send forth or be covered with drops, come or send forth in drops, exude, sweat, drip, (~ing *eczema*, with exudation; ~ing *pipe*, designed to drip at intervals); *W~ing Cross* (hist.), wayside cross for penitents to pray at (*come home by W~ing Cross*, be made to repent one's conduct etc.). 3. (Of tree) have drooping branches

(chiefly in part. as distinctive epithet of variety, ~ing *birch, willow*, etc.). 4. ~ out, utter with tears; ~ oneself out, ~ one's fill; ~ away, consume (time) in ~ing. [com.-Tent.: OE *wēpan* cry aloud (*wēp* outcry), cf. OHG *wuofan*, Goth. *wēpjan*]

weep'er, n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: hired mourner at funeral; crape hat-sash worn by men at funerals; widow's black crape veil; (pl.) widow's white cuffs. [-ER¹]

weev'er, n. Kinds of fish (*Dragon & Lesser W~*) with sharp dorsal spines inflicting wound that often festers. [f. OF *weivre* WIVERN, weever]

weev'il, n. Kinds of beetle with head extended into a proboscis feeding on grain, nuts, fruit, & leaves; any insect damaging stored grain similarly to corn-~. Hence (of grain) ~LED² (-vld), ~Y² (-vll), aa. [OE *wifel*, cf. MDu. *weel*, OHG *wibil*; perh. cogn. w. WEAVE]

wéft¹, n. Cross-threads woven into warp to make web; (loosely) web. [OE *westa*, cf. ON *wipta*, & WEAVE]

wéft², Var. of WAPT n. (naut.).

Wehrmacht (vŕ'mahxt), n. German armed forces. [G. = defensive force]

weigh (wā), v.t. & i., & n. 1. Find weight of with scales or other machine, whence ~AGE(4) (wā'ij) n., balance in hands (as if) to guess weight of, (~ *sugar, luggage*; *meditatively ~ed his stick in his hand*; ~ out, take definite weight of, take specified weight from larger quantity, distribute in definite quantities, by aid of scales, as ~ out *butter, portions* or 3 lb. of *butter*); ascertain one's own weight (*when did you ~ last?*; ~ out, in, of jockey before & after race, & transf. ~ in, enter an appearance; ~ in with argument etc., produce it triumphantly). 2. Estimate relative value or importance of, compare with or against or abs., consider with a view to choice or rejection or preference, (~ *consequences, pros & cons, oath* or *argument with* or *against* another; ~ one's *words*, select such as express neither more nor less than one means; ~ the *claims, merits*, etc., of *rival candidates*). 3. Be equal to or balance (specified weight) in the scales, (fig.) have specified importance, exercise pressure or influence, have weight or importance, be heavy or burdensome, (~s a *ton*, 6 oz, *little, nothing, light, heavy, heavily*; ~ *heavy* etc., or abs., upon, be burdensome or depressing to; *the point that ~s with me*). 4. Bring down by weight lit. or fig., (of counterweight) force up, (*fruit ~s down branch*; *one good argument ~s down six bad ones*; ~ed down with *cares*; *bucket is ~ed up by mass of iron at end of lever*). 5. Raise from below water (~ *anchor*, start for voyage; ~ *ship*, rare, refloat it when sunk). 6. ~beam, portable steelyard suspended in frame; ~bridge,

~ing-machine with plate on to which vehicles etc. can be driven to be ~ed; ~house, building in which goods can be ~ed officially; ~lock, canal lock with provision for ~ing barges; ~ing-machine, usu. for great weights or of more complicated mechanism than simple balance. 7. n. Process or occasion of ~ing; under ~, corruption of *under way*. [Aryan: OE *wegan* carry, cf. Du. *wegen* weigh, G *bewegen* move, *wagen* weigh, Skr. *vah* carry, L *vehere* carry]

weight¹ (wät), n. 1. Force with which body tends to centre of attraction (*the ~s of the planets*); (of terrestrial things) degree of downward tendency in body produced as resultant of earth's gravitation & centrifugal force (*the ~ of a body varies with latitude & altitude, its mass does not*). 2. Relative mass or quantity of matter contained, downward force, heaviness, regarded as a property of bodies (*superior both in size & in ~; he is twice your ~*; DEAD ~; ~ of metal, total amount that can be thrown by ship's guns at one discharge). 3. Body's mass numerically expressed in some recognized scale (*what is your ~?*; *reached the ~ of 12 st.*); scale or notation for expressing ~s (TROY, AVOIRDUPOIS, ~); ROX'ing ~s. 4. Heavy body (*keep papers down with a ~; clock is worked by ~s; must not lift ~s*); piece of metal etc. of known mass used in scales for weighing articles (*where is the ounce ~?*). 5. Load to be supported (*the pillars have a great ~ to bear*), heavy burden of care, responsibility, etc. 6. Importance, convincing effect, influence, preponderance, (*considerations of no ~; men of ~; has great ~ with me; the ~ of evidence is against him*). Hence ~LESS a. [OE *gewiht* (prec.)]

weight² (wät), v.t. Attach a weight to, hold down with a weight or weights; impede or burden with load lit. or fig.; treat (fabric) with minerals etc. to make it seem stouter. [f. prec.]

weight³ (wät), a. Weighing much, heavy; momentous, important; well-weighed, evidencing thought, deserving of consideration; influential, authoritative. Hence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-r²]

weir, **wear**, (wēr), n. Dam across river to raise level of water above it; enclosure of stakes etc. set in stream as trap for fish. [OE *wer* (werian defend), cf. G *wehr* defence]

|| **weird**¹ (wērd), n. Fate, destiny, (chiefly Sc.; DREX one's ~). [OE *wyrd* (weorðan be, happen, see WORRE²)]

weird² (wērd), a. Connected with fate (*the ~ sisters, the fates, witches*); supernatural, uncanny, unearthly; (colloq.) queer, odd, old-fashioned, strange, incomprehensible. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [f. prec. used attrib. in ~ sisters] **Wels'mannism** (vis-), n. A theory of

heredity, in which transmission of acquired characters is denied. [August Weismann, German biologist, + -ISM]

Welch¹, a. Var. of WELSH¹ in names of regiments (~ *Regiment, Royal ~ Fusiliers*; but *Welsh Guards*).

welch²(er). See WELSH².

wēl'come, int., n., v.t., & a. 1. Hail, know that your coming gives pleasure (often with adv. addition, as ~ *home, to Edinburgh*!). 2. n. Saying ~ to person, kind or glad reception or entertainment of person or acceptance of offer, gift, etc., (*bid one ~, assure him he is ~; WEAR¹ out or outstay one's ~; give warm ~, show great joy at arrival, also make vigorous resistance*). 3. v.t. Say ~ to, greet on arrival, receive (guest, arrival, news, opportunity, event) with pleasure or signs of it. 4. adj. Gladly received (*a ~ guest, interruption, gift, rest, denial, sight, etc.*; ~ *as snow in harvest*, un-; *make one ~, let him feel so*); (pred. only) ungrudgingly permitted to do or given right to thing, absolved of thanking or recompensing, (*you are ~ to take what steps you please; any one is ~ to my share, to any service I can do; you are ~, or ellipt. ~, no thanks required*); hence ~NESS n. [orig. f. OE *wilcuma* (willa pleasure, *cuma* come) person who comes to please another, changed in sense by confusion with WEL², COME, cf. ON *velkominn* a. welcome]

wēld¹, n. Dyer's-weed, plant formerly used to dye yellow. [prob. cogn. w. WOLD]

wēld², v.t. & i., & n. 1. Unite (pieces of metal, esp. iron) into homogeneous mass by hammering or pressure (usu. when iron is softened by heat but not melted), make by ~ing, (of iron etc.) admit of being ~ed *easily* etc.; (fig.) bring (recruits, parts, arguments, etc.) into homogeneous whole (usu. into); hence ~ABLE a., ~ABIL'ITY n. 2. n. ~ed junction. [var. of WEL² in orig. sense *boil*]

wēl'fare, n. Satisfactory state, health & prosperity, well-being, (usu. of person, society, etc., or with *my* etc.); ~ *State*, one having national health, insurance, & other social services; ~ *work*, efforts to make life worth living for employees etc. [WEL², FARE¹]

wēlk, v.i. (arch.). Fade, wither. [ME (cf. Du. & G) *welken* (OHG *welk* flaccid)]

wēl'kin, n. (poet.). Sky. [OE *wolcnu* clouds, cf. G *wolke* cloud]

wēll¹, n. 1. Spring or fountain, (fig.) source, (poet. or arch.; ~ of *English wisdom*, Chaucer). 2. Shaft sunk in ground & lined with stone or other protection for obtaining subterranean water, oil, etc. (ARTESIAN ~). 3. Enclosed space more or less resembling ~shaft; space in middle of house from floor to roof containing stairs (also ~ *staircase*) or lift or surrounded by stairs (also ~ *hole*) or open

for light & ventilation; || railed space for counsel etc. in court; receptacle for ink in inkstand. 4. ~-deck, space on main deck enclosed by bulwarks & higher decks; ~-dish, with hollow for gravy to collect in; ~-grate, in which fire burns on hearth, receiving its air supply from below; ~-head, source, fountain-head; ~-room, where spa water is dispensed; ~-sinker, person whose occupation is sinking ~s; ~-spring, ~-~head. [OE *wella* cogn. w. *weallan* well up, boil, cf. G *welle* wave]

wēll¹, v.i. Spring (as) from fountain (often up, out, forth). [OE *wellan* causative of *weallan* (prec.)]

wēll², adv. (better, best). pred. a. (better, best), attrib. a. (no comp.), & n. 1. In good manner or style, satisfactorily, rightly, (the work is ~ done; that is ~ said; a ~ situated house; ~ begun is half done; ~ done!, run!, etc., cry of commendation; ~ well, greeting to person one has been wanting to see; come off ~, have good luck, distinguish oneself; wish I was ~ out of it, without disaster etc.; you did ~, it was ~ done of you, to come). 2. Thoroughly, with care or completeness, sufficiently, to a considerable distance or extent, with margin enough to justify description, quite, (look ~ to yourself; judge ~ & truly; smack him, polish it, ~; is ~ up in the list, ~ on in life, ~ advanced or stricken in years, ~ past forty, ~ among the leaders of thought; as ~, in addition, to an equal extent, not less truly, as but he is a Christian as ~, he gave me clothes as ~ as food). 3. Heartily, kindly, laudatorily, approvingly, on good terms, (love, like, person ~; treat person ~; think or speak ~ of; it speaks ~ for his discipline that he never punishes, serves as commendation; stand ~ with one, be in his good graces). 4. Probably, not incredibly, easily, with reason, wisely, advisably, (it may ~ be that —; can, cannot, ~ manage it; you may ~ ask, say, that; we might ~ make the experiment; as ~, with equal reason, preferably, without worse consequences, as you might as ~ throw your money into the sea as lend it to him, as ~ be hanged for a sheep as a lamb, we may as ~ begin at once; that is just as ~, need not be regretted; you might as ~, nursery formula of request). 5. pred. adj. (often indistinguishable from adv.). In good health (is she ~ or ill?; will soon be better; is best in the winter; quite ~, thank you; am perfectly ~); in satisfactory state or position, satisfactory, advisable, (am very ~ where I am; all's ~; it is all very ~, ironical expression of discontent, or rejection of comfort, arguments, etc.; it is ~ with him; it would have been, were, ~ for him if; it would be ~ to inquire; ~ enough, tolerably good or good-looking; as ~, not unadvisable, as it may be as ~

to explain; ~ & good, formula of dispassionate acceptance of decision, as if you choose to take my advice, ~ & good; very ~). 6. attrib. adj. (rare). In good health (a ~ man should not be dawdling in bed; the ~ are impatient of the sick). 7. n. Good things (I wish him ~); what is satisfactory (let ~ alone, do not meddle needlessly). [com.-Teut.: OE *wel*, cf. Du. *wel*, G *wohl*, cogn. w. *will*¹, w. sense agreeably to wish]

wēll³, int. expressing great astonishment (~, who would have thought it?; ~!; ~ to be sure!), relief (~, here we are at last), concession (~, come if you like; ~, perhaps you are right; ~ then, say no more about it), resumption of talk (~, who was it?; ~, he says he must see you), qualified recognition of point (~, but what Jones?), expectation (~ then?), tion (~, it can't be helped), etc. (elipt. uses of prec. adv.)

wēll-1. In a few words *well*- or *well* is an inseparable pref.: ~-being, welfare; ~-doer, ~-doing, virtuous person, conduct; ~-nigh, rhet., almost; ~-wisher, person who wishes well to one. 2. *Well* may precede any participle or word in -ED²; when the combination is used attrib. with n. following, it is usu. hyphenated (he is a ~-known person); this is done in the pred. use also when the combination ends in -ING² or -ED², but not usu. when it ends in -ED¹ (the stroke was well timed, cf. a ~-timed stroke) unless it has acquired a sense or use other or more restricted than that of the separate elements (my watch is well regulated; I do not think his action was ~-advised, cf. he is not well advised by his friends); a list of the commoner combinations follows with special senses or contexts noted; ~-advised, prudent, wise, (chiefly of action taken); ~-aimed; ~-appointed, having all necessary equipment (esp. of expedition, fleet, etc.); ~-armed; ~-attested; ~-authenticated; ~-balanced, sane, sensible, (esp. of mind); ~-behaved; ~-beloved; ~-born, of noble or distinguished family; ~-bred, having good breeding or manners, (of horse etc.) of good or pure stock; ~-chosen, esp. of words or phrases; ~-conditioned, not querulous; ~-conducted, characterized by good conduct; ~-connected, connected by blood etc. with good families; ~-contented; ~-contested; ~-defined; ~-directed, esp. of blow or shot; ~-disposed, having good disposition or kindly feeling (towards); || ~-done, (of meat) cooked through; ~-dressed; ~-drilled; ~-earned; ~-educated; ~-favoured, good-looking; ~-fed; ~-fought; ~-found, ~-appointed; ~-founded, having foundation in fact (of suspicion or other belief or sentiment); ~-furnished; ~-graced, possessed of attractive qualities; ~-grounded, ~-founded, also ~, trained in rudiments;

~informed, having ~stored mind or access to best information; ~intentioned, aiming or aimed (usu. unsuccessfully) at good results; ~judged, showing good judgement or tact or good aim (of action taken); ~knit, compact, not loose-made or sprawling, (esp. of person or his frame); ~known; || ~liking, with ~fed prosperous look (usu. *fat & ~liking*); ~looking, of attractive appearance; ~loved; ~made, (esp.) of symmetrical bodily make; ~mannered, with good manners; ~marked, distinct, easy to detect; ~meaning, = ~intentioned (of person or attempt); ~meant, = ~intentioned (of attempt); ~oiled, (fig., of expression) complimentary; ~ordered, arranged in orderly manner; ~paid; ~painted; ~pleased; ~pleasing; ~proportioned; ~read, having read much [cf. -ED¹(2)], with mind ~stored by reading; ~regulated, under proper control, not undisciplined; ~remembered; ~reputed, of good repute; ~rounded, complete & symmetrical; ~seeming, apparently satisfactory or good; || ~seen (arch.), accomplished in; ~set, compact, firmly knit, (esp., also ~set up, of bodily frame); ~sifted (esp. of facts or evidence); ~spent (esp. of time or effort); ~spoken, refined in speech; ~timbered; ~timed, opportune; ~trained; ~tried, often tested with good result; ~trodden, frequented; ~tuned; ~turned, happily expressed (of compliment, phrase, verse); ~worn, (esp.) trite, stale. 3. ~off, = fortunately situated (does not know when he is ~off), sufficiently rich, is two words when used pred., but hyphenated when attrib. (~off people); ~to-do, = sufficiently rich, is hyphenated when attrib. & usu. when pred. also.

wēlladay', -away', int. of grief (arch. or joc.). [OE *wēllad wēllad*, lo! woe]

|| Wēllington'ia, n. Kinds of sequoia. [named after Duke of Wellington, -IA¹]

|| Wēll'ingtons (-z), n. pl. Boots coming up or nearly up to knees. [as prec.]

Wēlish¹ (& see WELSH¹), a. & n. (Language, the people) of Wales (~mutton, from small ~mountain sheep; ~rabbit or by pop. etym. *rarebit*, dish of toasted cheese); ~man, ~woman, native of Wales. [OE *wēliac* foreign (wealth foreigner, Celt, -ism¹)]

wēlish², wēlich, v.t. & i. Decamp without paying (winner of bet on horse-race, or abs.). Hence ~ER¹ n. [f. 1857; etym. dub.]

wēlt¹, n., & v.t. 1. Strip of leather sewn round edge of boot or shoe uppers to serve as attachment to sole; wale. 2. v.t. Provide with ~; raise wales on, beat, flog. [ME *welte*, *walt*, etym. dub.]

Wēlt² (-v-), n. (German for) world; ~durchschau'ng (-show-), philosophical survey of the world as a whole; ~politik' (-ék), foreign policy on the grand scale;

~schmerns (-shmërts), vague yearning & discontent with regard to the constitution of things. [G]

wēl'ter¹, v.i., & n. 1. Roll, wallow, be washed about, be soaked or steeped or dabbled in blood etc. 2. n. General confusion, disorderly mixture or aimless conflict of creeds, polities, vices, etc. [f. MDu. *welleren* roll, cf. Icel. *wella*, G *wälzen*; cogn. w. WALTZ, WALLOW]

wēl'ter², n. 1. Heavy rider (now rare); (attrib.) ~race, cup, stakes, handicap, etc., horse-races for heavy-weight riders (also ellipt. ~, = ~-race); ~weight, heavy-weight rider, also weight carried apart from weight for age as test, (Boxing) see BOX'ing-weights. 2. (colloq.). Heavy blow, big person or thing. [prop. (orig. in last sense) f. WELT¹ flog + -ER¹, = big one, cf. WHACKER]

wēn¹, n. More or less permanent tumour of benign character on scalp or other part of body; goitre; (fig.) abnormally large or congested city (*the great ~*, London). [OE *wenn*, cf. Du. *wen*, etym. dub.]

wēn², n. The old English letter p (w). [OE, var. of *wynn* joy (see WINSOME) used as beginning with the letter, cf. THORN]

wēnch, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Girl or young woman, lass, (esp. of rustics or servants, or joc. & colloq.; a *strapping, buxom*, etc., ~); || (arch.) strumpet. 2. vb. Court (dial.); whore, whence ~ER¹ n. (arch.). [ME *wenche*(l) f. OE *wenel* infant (*wancel* weak, tottering, cf. G *wanken* totter)]

wēnd¹, v.t. & i. Direct one's way; (arch.) go. [com.-Teut.: OE *wendan* turn t. & i., cf. Du. & G *wenden*; the past was formerly *went* (now used to supply past of go¹)]

Wēnd², n. One of a Slavonic race formerly spread over N. Germany, & now inhabiting E. Saxony. Hence ~IC, ~ISM, aa. [f. G *Wende*, etym. dub.]

Wēns'leydāle (-zli-), n. Kind of cheese. [~ in Yorks.]

went. See GO¹, WRND¹ etym.

wēn'tietrāp (-tel-), n. Shellfish with spiral shell of many whorls. [f. Du. *wenteltrap* orig. = winding stairs]

wēpt. See WEEP.

were. See BE.

were'wolf, wer'wolf, (wē'wōlf), n. (myth.; pl. -ves). Human being turned into wolf. [OE *were-wulf* (wer man, cf. L *vir*, WOLF)]

wert. See BE.

Wer'therism (värter-), n. Morbid sentimentality as of Werther in Goethe's *Sorrows of Werther*. [-ISM(8)]

Wesleyan (wē'sli-an, wēs', wēl's-an), a. & n. (hist.). (Member) of the denomination founded by John Wesley (d. 1791). Hence ~ISM(8) n. [-AN; the normal form would be *Weselian* (see -IAN), whence the doubtful pronounc.]

wēst, adv., n., & a. (abbr. W.). 1. Towards or in the region in front of observer

on equator at equinox who faces setting sun (~ *BY*¹ north or south; ~ *of*, farther ~ than; *DUE*¹ ~; *lies* etc. east & ~, lengthwise along line between east & ~; *go*, *gone*, ~, sl., die, dead); ~north~, ~south~, adv., nn., & aa., (regions) midway between ~ & north~, south~ (with uses & derivatives corresponding to those of ~, as ~north~erly, ~north~ern, ~north~wardly; see WESTERLY etc.); hence ~WARD adv., n., & a., ~WARDS adv. & n. 2. n. Cardinal point lying ~; western part of England, Scotland, Ireland, or Europe, part of U.S. beyond earlier settled States or ~ of Mississippi; = OCCIDENT (*Empire of the W*~, *WESTERN Empire*); western part of any country; ~wind. 3. adj. Situated, dwelling, in or more towards the ~; ~longitude; || ~central, abbr. W.C., London postal district; || ~country, part of England ~ of line from Southampton to mouth of Severn; *W*~ *INDIES*, whence *W*~*Indian* a.; *W*~ *End*, richer & more fashionable district in ~ of London; (of wind) coming from the ~; || ~country, of or from or characteristic of the ~ country; || ~countryman (or ~woman), native of it; *W*~*end*, in or characteristic of *W*~ *End*. [com.-Teut.: OE, Du., G, etc.; prob. cogn. w. Gk *hesperos*, L *vesper*, evening]

wes'tering, a. & part. Tending towards the west (usu. of sun). [*f. obs. wester vb* (prec. in *vbl* use, -*ER*²)]

wes'terly, a. & adv. -*fol.* (rare); (of direction) towards the west; (of wind) blowing from the west or thereabouts. [*f. WEST* as *EASTERLY*]

wes'tern, a. & n. 1. Living or situated in, coming from, the west (*W*~ *Empire*, one of two parts, with Rome as capital, of *Eastern Empire* with Constantinople, into which Theodosius divided Roman Empire 395; *W*~ or *Latin Church*, part of Christian church that continued to acknowledge the popes at the Greek schism, see GREEK); = OCCIDENTAL; (of wind) westerly (rare); hence ~*ER*¹(4) n., ~*IES*(8) v.t., make (oriental people or country) ~ in ideas, institutions, etc., ~*MOST* a. 2. n. ~*er*; a film or novel dealing with cowboys, rustlers, sheriffs, etc. [-*ERN*]

wes'ting, n. Westward progress or deviation esp. in sailing (cf. *NORTHING*). [-*ING*¹]

West'minster, n. City forming part of London (~ *Abbey*, fig., glorious death such as would entitle one to place among celebrities there buried); (the Houses of Parliament, the political arena; member of ~ School; *STATUTE of* ~)

wet, a., v.t. (-*tt*-), & n. 1. Soaked, covered, dabbled, moistened, or supplied, with or with water or other liquid (~ *sponge*, *land*, *road*, *table*, *eyes*, *cheeks*, *clothes*, *feet*;

am ~ *to the skin*, with clothes soaked through); *not prohibiting or opposing use of alcohol; ~ *BLANKET*¹; ~ *bargain*, closed with drink; ~ *BOB*¹; ~ *bulb*, see *DRY*¹-*bulb thermometer*; ~ *dock*, in which ship can float; ~ *pack*, wrapping of body in ~ cloths enclosed in dry blankets etc.; ~ *plate* in photog., sensitized collodion plate exposed while ~; rainy (~ *day*, *weather*); ~*nurse*, (n.) woman employed to suckle another's child, (v.t.) act as ~*nurse* to (child); hence ~*NESS* n., ~*t'ISH*¹(2) a. 2. v.t. Make ~ (~ *bargain*, close it with drink; ~ one's *whistle*, drink); hence ~*t'ING*¹(1) n. 3. n. Moisture, liquid that ~s something, rainy weather; (sl.) a drink; *opponent of prohibition. [OE *wet*, cf. ON *vatr*; cogn. w. *WATER*]

weth'er (-*dh*-), n. Castrated ram. [com.-Teut.: OE *wedder*, cf. Du. *weer*, G *widder*; prob. cogn. w. L *vitulus* calf]

wey (wā), n. Unit of weight varying from 2 cwt to 3 cwt with different kinds of goods. [OE *wēge* weight (*wegan* *WEIGH*)]

wh-. In a few of the words beginning thus the w is, as indicated in the pronunc. brackets, not sounded; in all others the h is silent in ordinary modern usage, but the earlier sound, = hw, is retained by the Scots, Irish, Welsh, & northern English, & by purists in pronunciation, as well as for the nonce in unfamiliar wds or such as might be confused with commoner wds having no h- (*whel*, *whew*).

whack, v.t., & n. 1. Strike heavily with stick etc., thwack, whence ~*ING*¹(1) n.; (sl.) go shares in, distribute. 2. n. Heavy blow esp. with stick; (sl.) share (*have had my* ~ *of pleasure*). [imit.]

whack'er, n. (sl.). Thing or person big of its kind. [-*ER*¹; cf. *thumper*, *whopper*, etc.]

whack'ing, a. (sl.). Big of its kind. [-*ING*²; see prec.]

whāle, n. & v.i. 1. Kinds of large fishlike marine mammal some of which are hunted for their oil, spermaceti, ~bone, ambergris, etc. (*right*, *arctic*, *Greenland*, or *bowhead* ~, kind yielding best ~bone; *SFERM*¹, *humpback*, *bottle-nosed*, etc., ~; *bull*, *cow*, ~, adult male, female, ~; *very like a* ~, ironical assent to absurd statement, see *Hamlet* III. ii. 399). 2. *A* ~ *of* (colloq.), no end of; *a* ~ *on*, *at*, for, very good at or keen on (something); ~*boat*, (double-bowed like those) used in whaling; ~*bone*, elastic horny substance growing in thin parallel plates in upper jaw of certain ~s, & used in many kinds of manufacture; ~*calf*, young ~; ~*An*, commero. name for ~bone; ~*head*, African bird allied to herons & storks; ~*line*, superior rope 2 in. round used in whaling; ~*man*, seaman engaged in whaling; ~*oil*, train oil or sperm oil got from ~s. 3. v.i. Be engaged in ~fishing;

whaling-gun, for firing harpoon etc. at ~s; **whaling-master**, captain of a whaler. [OE *hwæl*, cf. OHG *wal* (G *walfisch*)]

whaler, n. Whaling ship or man; kind of clinker-built seaboard with pointed stern, carried by some warships. [-ER¹]

whang, v.t. & i. & n. (colloq.). 1. Strike heavily & loudly, whack; (of drum etc.) sound (as) under blow. 2. n. ~ing sound or blow. [imit.]

whangee' (-ngg-), n. Cane made from a kind of Chinese bamboo. [Chin. *huang*]

wharf (wɔ:f), n. (pl. -fs, -ves), & v.t. 1. Wooden or stone platform beside which ship may be moored for (un)loading etc.; hence ~AGE(1, 4) n. 2. v.t. Moor (ship) at, store (goods) on, ~. [OE *hwearf*, cf. Du. & G *werf*]

wharf'finger (wɔ:f'fɪŋɜr), n. Wharf-owner. [for *wharfager* (WHARFage, -ER¹) cf. *messenger*]

what (wɒt), a. & pron. interrog., excl., & rel. 1. adj.: (a) interrog., asking for selection from indefinite number (cf. *which* from definite number; ~ *books have you read?*; *don't know ~ plan he will try*) or for specification of amount or number or kind (~ *money, men, abilities, has he?*; ~ *news?*; ~ *matter?*, ~ does it matter?; ~ *good, use, is it?*, ~ purpose will it serve?; ~ *manner of man is he?*; *I know ~ difficulties there are*, cf. c); (b) excl., = how great or strange or otherwise remarkable for good or ill (~ *a fool you are!*; ~ *impudence!*; ~ *an ideal!*; ~ *genius he has!*) or, before adj. & n., = how (~ *partial judges we are!*); (c) rel., = the — that, any — that, as much or many — as, (dis)pose of ~ *difficulties there are*, cf. a; lend me ~ *money or men you can*; will give you ~ *help is possible*; ~ *time*, arch., when, while. 2. pron.: (a) interrog., = ~ thing(s)!, with many modifications given by context, & often in ellipt. uses for sentence, some of which are here illustrated (so ~?, colloq., freq. implying that one is at a loss ~ to do or think; ~ *will people say?*, is it respectable to do it?; *W~?*, i.e. did you say; ~ *ho!*, excl. of greeting or hailing; ~ *is he?*, i.e. in respect of occupation; ~, *do you really mean it?*, i.e. I must have heard wrongly; ~ *if we were to try?*, i.e. would result; ~ *for?*, for ~ reason or purpose?; ~ *for n.* (sl.), severe punishment, reprimand, etc., as *he gave him ~for*; ~ *though we are poor?*, i.e. does it matter; ~ *next?*, no absurdity can outdo this; ~ *of or about —?*, i.e. ~ news!, or how can you dispose of this point?; *well, ~ of it?*, formula admitting fact but not inference etc. from it; ~ *is he the better for it?*, in ~ way or to ~ extent; ~ *is your name?*; ~ not usu. without interrog. mark, many other things of the same kind, anything; ~ *not*, piece of furniture with shelves for knick-knacks; ~ *like is he?*; provincial for ~ *is*

As like? or what sort of man is he?; ~ *you call him, her, it, 'em, 's his* (or *her, -its*), name, substitutes for name that has slipped memory; *I wonder ~ you are*; *don't know ~ he said*; ~ *followed is doubtful*, cf. c; *cannot guess ~ he was attempting*, cf. c; ~ *have you (sl.)*, anything else of that sort; *I know ~*, have a new idea; *I'll tell you ~*, i.e. the truth or right course is; *know ~s ~*, i.e. a good thing etc. from a bad etc.); (b) excl., = ~ thing(s)!, how much!, etc. (~ *he has suffered!*); (c) rel., = that or those which, the thing(s) that, anything that, a thing that, (~ *followed was unpleasant*, cf. a; *did ~ he was attempting*, cf. a; ~ *I have said I have said*; ~ *I know not is not knowledge*; give me ~ *you can*; ~ *is called the general reader*; come ~ *will or may*, in spite of any results etc.; tell me ~ *you remember of it*; but, ~ *even you must condemn*, he was lying; will do ~ *I can for you*; use no arguments but ~ *you believe in yourself*; so also various more or less incorrect colloq. uses of *but ~ for but*, as *not a day comes but ~ makes a change, not a man but ~ likes her, not a day but ~ it rains, I never see him but ~ I think, I don't know but ~ I will, not but ~; ~ with — ~ with —*, between various causes etc., as ~ *with drink & ~ with fright, he did not know much about the facts*). [neut. of WHO]

what'ev'er (wɒt-), **whate'er** (poet.; wɒtə'r-), a. & pron. indef. rel. used (1) = prec. in rel. uses with addition of or emphasis on indefinite sense (~ *I have is yours*; ~ *measures are considered best*; do ~ *you like*); (2) in indef. concessive clauses where *what* is not possible, = though anything (thing), as ~ *results follow, ~ happens, ~ friends we may offend, we shall have done our duty*; (3) ellipt. for ~ *it, he, etc., may be, — at all after noun in negative context* (never *whate'er*, as *there is no doubt ~, is there any chance?*, no one ~ *would accept, cannot see any one ~*; (4) colloq. for *what EVER*. [WHAT + EVER]

What'man (-ɒt-), n. (attrib.). ~ (*paper*), brand of paper used for drawing, water-colours, engraving, & photography. [maker's name]

what'sō (arch.; -ɒt-), **whatso'ev'er** (emphatic), **whatsoe'er** (poet.; wɒtsə'r-), a. & pron. = **WHATEVER** (1, 2), & **whatsoever** = also **WHATEVER** (3). [SO]

|| **whaup**, n. Curlew (chiefly Sc.). [imit. of cry]

wheal¹, mis-spelling of **WALE**, **WEAL**. | **wheal**², n. (Cornwall). Mine (esp. tin-mine). [Cornish *huel*]

wheat, n. (Highly nutritious seeds of) kinds of corn-plant bearing dense four-sided spike of grain (esp. *winter* or *unbearded* ~, *summer* or *bearded* ~, & *German* ~ or *spelt*); ~ *grass*, couch-grass. Hence ~ *EN*² a. [OE *hwæte*, cf. Du. *weil*, G *weisen*; cogn. w. **WHITE**]

Wheat'ear, n. Small bird, the stonechat or whitetail. [earlier *wheatears* (WHITE, ARSE)]

Wheat'stone bridge, n. Apparatus for measuring electrical resistances. [O. *Wheatstone*, English physicist]

wheel'die, v.t. Coax into doing or into good temper etc., persuade by flattery or endearments, cajole, humour for one's own ends; get (thing) by ~ing out of person; cheat (person) out of thing by ~ing. Hence ~ER¹ n., ~ING² a., ~INGLY³ adv. [perh. for *weadle* f. OE *weallian* beg (weal poverty)]

wheel¹, n. 1. Circular frame or disk arranged to revolve on axis & used to facilitate motion of vehicle or for various mechanical purposes, machine etc. of which a ~ is an essential part, object resembling a ~, (BALANCE, CATHERINE, COG¹, FLY², MILL¹, OVERSHOT, PADDLE, POTTER's, RATCHET, SPINNING, STEERING, SUN-&-planet, UNDERSHOT, ~; eccentric ~, turning on axis not at its centre; *flyth* ~, apparatus enabling front ~s etc. of four-wheeled conveyance to be slewed, also see FIFTH ~; ~s *within* ~s, intricate machinery, indirect or secret agencies; the ~s of life, the vital processes etc.; ~ of life, scientific toy converting series of pictures of successive attitudes into semblance of continuous motion; *Fortune's* ~, ~ with which Fortune is depicted as symbol of ups & downs, also fig. vicissitudes; *break on the* ~, maim & kill on medieval instrument of torture that revolved with victim bound on it; *BREAK¹ butterfly on* ~; a FLY¹ on the ~; put SPOKE¹ in one's ~, one's SHOULDER to the ~; ~ & axle, utilization of leverage given by difference in circumference between ~ & its axle, called one of the MECHANICAL powers; go on ~s, smoothly; *Fortune's* ~ (we may be rich at the next turn of the ~); steering-~ (don't speak to the man at the ~). 2. Motion as of ~, circular motion, motion of line as on pivoted end esp. as military evolution, (street arab turning ~s in the gutter; the ~s & somersaults of the gulls; right, left, etc., ~, words of command to company etc. in line to swing round on right, left, flank as pivot). 3. ~BARROW²; ~chair, invalid's on ~s; ~horse, wheeler; ~house, steersman's shelter; ~lock, (gun with) antiquated lock having steel ~ to rub against flint etc.; ~man, cyclist; ~seat, part of axle fitting into hub; tread, part of carriage etc. ~ that touches ground; ~ window, circular with spoke-like tracery; ~wright, maker of ~s. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-ld), ~LESS, aa. [Aryan: OE *hwēol*, cf. De. *hjul*, Du. *wiel*; cogn. w. Gk *huklos* circle, wheel, & *polos* axis, *telos* distaff]

wheel², v.t. & i. Swing (t. & l. of line of

men etc.) round in line on one flank as pivot, (loosely) change direction lit. or fig., face another way, (often round); push or pull (wheeled thing esp. wheelbarrow or Bath chair or its load or occupant, or furniture on castors) in some direction; go in circles or curves; ride on bicycle. [f. prec.]

wheel'er, n. In vbl senses; also: pole or shaft horse in four-in-hand, tandem, etc. (cf. LEADER); FOUR~; || wheelwright. [WHEEL¹, ~ER¹]

weez'e, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Breathe with audible friction; ~e out, utter with ~ing. 2. n. Sound of ~ing, whence ~'t² a., ~'LY² adv., ~'INESS n.; (Theatr. sl.) joke, anecdote, etc., interpolated by actor during performance. [prob. f. ON *hveza* to hiss]

whēlk¹, n. Kinds of marine spiral-shelled mollusc, some used as food. [ME *wilk*, OE *wioloc* etym. dub., with *wh-* by assim. to foll.]

whēlk², n. Pimple. Hence ~ED² (-kt) a. [OE *hwylca* (*hwellan* suppurate)]

whēlm, v.t. (post., rhet.). Engulf, submerge, overwhelm. [prob. f. obs. *welece* f. OE *hwylfan* overturn, cogn. w. G *wölben* arch over, Gk *kolpos* bosom]

whēlp, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Young dog, pup; young lion, tiger, bear, wolf, etc., cub; disagreeable or ill-bred child or youth. 2. vb. Produce pups or cubs or (derog.) child, give birth to (esp. derog. of human mother); originate (evil scheme etc.). [OE *hwelp*, cf. Du. *welp*, G *welf*, etym. dub.]

whēn, adv. Interrog. & rel. pron., & n. 1. adv. Interrog. At what time?, on what occasion?, how soon?, how long ago?, (~ did, shall, you see him?; don't know ~ it was; say ~, ellipt., i.e. process is to begin or stop; in rhet. questions equivalent to neg. statement, as ~ shall we see his like again?; ~ did I suggest such a thing?). 2. adv. rel. (With time etc. as antecedent) at which (the time ~ such things could happen is gone; there are occasions, conjunctures, etc., ~); at the or any time that, on the or any occasion that, at whatever time, as soon as, (he exclaimed ~ he saw me; ~ Greek meets Greek; ~ it rains he stays at home; shall have it ~ you ask politely; also ellipt. like WHILE², as he looked in ~ passing, ~ found make a note of; also introducing exclamatory clause with ellipse of apodosis, as ~ I think what I have done for that man!); although, considering that, (walks ~ he might ride; how could you, ~ you knew it might kill him?; how convince him ~ he will not listen?); after or upon which, but just then, & then, (the conflict began, ~ it soon appeared which was stronger; we were just coming to the

point ~ the bell interrupted us). 3. pron. What (interrog.) or which (rel.) time (*Will ~ can you stay? from ~ does it date? since ~ things have been better*). 4. n. Time, date, occasion, (*told me the ~ & the how of it*). [OE *hwænne*, *hwenne*, f. stem of *who*, cf. G *wann* when, *wenn* if, MDu. *wan*, *wen*]

whence, adv. interrog. & rel., pron., & n. (now poet., literary, etc.). 1. From what place or source? (being ousted by *where* — *from in lit. sense & how, why, etc.*, in fig.; *~ comes it that*, how is it that; *no one knows ~ she comes*); (with *place* etc. as antecedent) from which (*the source ~ these evils spring*; now usu. *from which*); to or rarely at or from the place from which (*return ~ you came*; *abides ~ he sent me*; *comes ~ he came*; now usu. *where* — *from, from where* — *from*); ~soev'er, from whatever place or source. 2. pron. What (interrog.) or which (rel.) starting-place (*from ~ is he?*; *the source from ~ it springs*). 3. n. Source (*we know neither our ~ nor our whither*). [ME *whennes* (*whenne*, OE *hwanon* whence f. stem of *who*, + *-es*)]

whēnēv'er, **whēne'er** (post.; -ār), **whēn-sōēv'er** (emphatic), adv. rel. indef. (of *when EVER*). At whatever time, on whatever occasion, as soon as, every time that. [so, *EVER*]

where (wār), adv. interrog. & rel., pron., & n. 1. adv. interrog. In or to what place or position lit. or fig., in what direction, at what part, in what respect, (*~ is Heaven?*; *~ did you read that?*, in what book; *~ are you going?*, now usu. preferred to *whither*; *showed me ~ they were*; *~ does it touch our interests?*; *~ are you looking?*, *~ shall we be if prices fall now?*, how situated; *don't know ~ to have him*, said of person of elusive character; often in rhet. questions = neg. statements, as *~ is the sense of it?*, *~ is the use of trying?*). 2. adv. rel. (see also *WHERE*). (With *place* etc. as antecedent) in which (*places ~ they sing*; also with ellipsis of noun, as *~ he is weakest in his facts*); in or to the or any place, in the direction or part or respect, in which (*~ your treasure is*; *go ~ you like*; *is, send him, ~ he will be taken care of*; *~ the ancients knew nothing we know a little*; *that's ~ it is*, colloq., that is the real reason for it or point of it). 3. pron. What (interrog.) or which (rel.) place (*do you come from, are you going to?*; vulg. in rel. use, as *the place ~ he comes from*). 4. n. Place, scene of something, (*the ~s & where are important*; cf. *any*, *no*, *every*). [OE *hwer*, cf. Du. *waar*, G *warum*]; cogn. w. *WHO*, *WHEN*]

where- (wār). 1. ~ is written in one word with appended prep. as substitute for the prep. preceding or following *what* interrog. pron. or which rel. pron. (~by shall we know him?; the signs ~by he shall be

known; ~by I saw that he was angry), cf. corresp. compounds of *there*; the use is becoming rare exo. either in formal or poet. or in joc. or uneducated writing or in special uses as noted: ~'about' (& see 2); ~at'; ~by'; ~fore (for what reason? why? on what account, on which account: also as n. pl. = reasons, as *the whys & ~fores*); ~from'; ~in' (also ~insoev'er); ~in'to'; ~of'; ~on'; ~out'; ~through'; ~to'; ~un'der'; ~un'to'; ~upon' (still common introducing new sentence in narrative); ~with' (or ~withal'; the longer form common as n. = money etc. needed for a purpose; *has not the ~withal to do it*, or *the ~withal*). 2. ~ in its proper local use is qualified in sense by additions: ~abouts' adv. interrog., where within considerable limits or vaguely (~abouts is he?; *don't know even ~abouts to look*), (n., ~abouts) person's or thing's locality roughly defined; ~as' conj., taking into consideration or having as premise the fact that (esp. in legal preambles), in contrast or comparison with the fact that, but in contrast with what has been said; *wherev'er*, *where'er* (poet.; -ār), ~soev'er (emphatic), adv. rel. indef., in or to whatever place etc. (cf. *where EVER*).

whērry, n. Light shallow rowing-boat usu. for carrying passengers. [?]

whēt, v.t. (-tt-), & n. 1. Sharpen by rubbing on or with stone etc.; stimulate (appetite, stomach, desire); ~stone, shaped stone for tool-sharpening, thing that sharpens the wits. 2. n. Sharpening; small quantity taken to create or create appetite for more; dram. [OE *hwettan* (*hwæt* bold), cf. Du. *wetten*, G *welsen*]

wheth'er¹ (wēdh-), a. & pron. interrog. & rel. (arch.). Which of the two. [OE *hwæther* (*who*, -*ther*), cf. ON *hverr*, MHG *weder*]

wheth'er² (wēdh-), conj. 1. Introducing indirect questions of which the direct form would be answerable with *yes* or *no* (*don't know ~ he will be here*); such questions involve an alternative, which may be unexpressed as above, expressed precisely (*~ he is here or ~ he is in London*, or more usu. ellipt. or *in London*), or expressed comprehensively by the negative (*~ he is here or ~ he is not here*, or more usu. ellipt. or *not*); i.e., the alternative if expressed has always or, after which ~ is usu. repeated if subj. & vb are expressed; ~ clauses may be appended directly to many adj. & nn. as well as to vbs (*doubtful, uncertain, anxious, etc.*, ~; *the question etc. ~*), though as to is often needlessly inserted; *DOUBT* ~; ~ or *NO*? formerly also with direct questions (*~ shall we live or die?*). 2. Used with following or or *or* (~ according as second alternative has its subj. & vb expressed, as in 1) to introduce the protasis having alternatives

corresponding to a single conditional apodosis (~ *we stay* or ~ *we go*, ~ *we go to him* or *he comes to us*, ~ *we go or not, the result will be bad*); ~ or NO²; formerly also when each alternative had apodosis (~ *we live, we live unto the Lord*, & ~ *we die, we die etc.*). [f. prec.]

whew (hwū), int. expressing (usu. joc.) consternation.

wey (wā), n. Part of milk that remains liquid when the rest forms curds; ~ *faced* (arch.), pale esp. with fear. [OE *hwæg*, cf. Du. *wei*]

which, a. & pron. interrog. & rel. 1. adj. interrog. Asking for selection from alternatives conceived as limited in number or known (cf. **WHAT**; ~ *way shall we go?*; *say ~ chapter you prefer*). 2. adj. rel. And, now, although, since, etc., this or those (now rare exc. with n. serving to sum up details of a compound or vague antecedent; *a smile & a sixpence*, ~ *equipment is within most people's reach, will suffice*; ~ *things are an allegory*); the ~, arch. for ~. 3. pron. interrog. ~ person(s), ~ thing(s), (~ *of you am I to thank for this?*; *say ~ you would like best*; ~ *is ~?*, ~ of two etc. given persons etc. corresponds to one of given descriptions etc., & ~ to another?). 4. pron. rel. (cf. **THAT**). Used to convert what would in the simplest grammar be an independent sentence into a subordinate clause by being substituted for a noun expressed in it after being expressed or implied in the sentence to which it is to be subordinated, = ~ person or persons (arch.), ~ thing(s) as modified by context, (*Our Father, ~ art in heaven; the river ~, or better that, flows through London; the meeting, ~ was held in the Park, was a failure; he said he saw me there, ~ was a lie*; occas. in clause preceding antecedent, as *moreover, ~ you will hardly credit, he was not there himself*; the ~, arch. for ~; in the possessive case whose is occas. for convenience preferred to the usual of ~, as *the only place whose supply of baths is adequate*). [OE *hwilc* (WEO, -LIKE), cf. Du. *welk*, G *welch*]

whichev'er, whicheōv'er (emphat.), aa. & pronn. rel. indef. used correspondingly to **WHATEVER**, **WHATSOEVER**, but with the restricted area of choice that distinguishes **WHICH** from **WHAT** (cf. *which EVER*). [SO, **EVER**]

whid'ah-bird (-da-), n. Small W.-Afr. bird, male of which has tail-feathers of enormous length. [orig. *WIDOW-bird*, altered f. assoc. w. *Whidah* in Dahomey]

whiff¹, n., & v.l. & t. 1. Puff of air, smoke, odour, etc. (~ *of grape-shot*, a few discharges; *want a ~ of fresh air*). (Commerc.) small cigar; || light uncovered outrigger sailing-boat. 2. vb. Blow or puff (h. & l.) lightly. [imit.]

whiff², n. Kind of flatfish. [f]

whiff³, v.l. Fish with line towing bait near surface. [f]

whiffle, v.l. & t., & n. 1. (Of wind) blow lightly, shift about, drive (ship) in varying directions; (of flame, leaves, & fig. of thought etc.) flicker, flutter, wander; make the sound of a light wind in breathing etc. 2. n. Slight movement of air. [f. **WHIFF**¹ + -LE(3)]

whig, n. & a. (Member) of the political party that, after the Revolution of 1688, aimed at subordinating the power of the crown to that of Parliament & the upper classes, passed the Reform Bill, & in the 19th c. was succeeded by the Liberals (opp. **TORY**; *DISH the ~s*). Hence ~g¹ERY (4), ~g¹ISM (8), nn., ~g¹ISH¹ a., ~g¹ISHLY² adv., ~g¹ISHNESS n., (-g-). [earlier of Scotch covenanters, short for *whiggamor* nickname (perh. f. Sc. *whig* jog, drive) + **MARE**²) of western Scots who came to Leith for corn]

while¹, n., & v.t. 1. Space of time, occupied by or given to some action etc., (*have been waiting all this ~*; *go away for a ~*; *in a little ~, soon*; **MEAN**²); once in a ~, occasionally, at long intervals; *have not seen him for a long ~, this long ~ past*; *happened a long ~ ago*; *that is enough for one ~*, for some time; *worth ~ or my etc.* ~, repaying the time spent in doing it etc.; *looked in her eyes the ~ or whilst*, during some other process; *the ~ or whilst*, poet., during the time that. 2. v.t. Pass (time, hour, etc.) away in leisurely manner. [Aryan: OE *hwil*, cf. Sw. *vila* rest, G *weile*; cogn. w. L *quies* QUIET]

while², **whiles** (arch.; *wile*), conj. 1. During the time that, for as long as, at the same time as, (*please write ~ I dictate*; *Jones got 98 ~ his partner was making 16*; ~ *there is life there is hope*; also with ellipse of pronominal subject & *am, is, was*, etc., as ~ *reading I fell asleep, we are safe ~ in his care, he retained the consciousness of it ~ asleep*). 2. In contrast more or less marked with the fact that simultaneously, although, whereas, (chiefly journalistic) and, (*Nero fiddling ~ Rome burns*; ~ *I have no money to spend, you have nothing to spend money on*; ~ *I admit his good points I can see his bad*; also *erron. ~ admitting etc.*, cf. the correct ellipses above; *Jones lost an arm, Brown a leg, ~ Robinson had both amputated*). [f. a case of prec.; for *whiles* see -ES & cf. **WHILST**]

whil'om, adv. & a. 1. (arch.). Once, formerly. 2. adj. Quondam (*his ~ friend*). [OE *hwilum* instr. pl. (**WHILE**¹)]

whilst, conj. & n. = **WHILE**²; (n.) *the ~*, = *the WHILE¹. [**WHILE**¹, -ES]*

whim, n. Sudden fancy, caprice, crochot; kind of windlass for raising ore from

mine; ~wham, arch. [redupl. of ~], plaything, toy, ~. [perh. of Scand. orig., cf. ON *hvima* wander with the eyes]

whim'brel, n. Kind of curlew. [whim, imit. of its cry, -REL]

whim'per, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make feeble querulous or frightened sounds, cry & whine softly; utter ~ingly; hence ~er¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. 2. n. Sound of ~ing. [imit.]

whim'sical (-z), a. Capricious; odd-looking, fantastic. Hence ~ITY (-zikal) n., ~LY¹ adv. [foll., -ICAL]

whim'sy (-zi), n. Crotchety, whim. [see WHIM]

whin', n. Gorse, furze, (used in pl. also); ~chat, kind of small bird. [cf. Norw. *hvine*, Sw. *heen*, kinds of grass]

whin', whin'sill, whin'stone, nn. Kinds of basaltic rock or hard sandstone. [?]

whin'e, v.i. & t., & n. (Make) long-drawn complaining cry (as) of dog; (utter) querulous talk; utter ~ingly (often out). Hence ~er¹ n., ~ingly¹ adv. [OE *hwīnan*, cf. ON *hvina* whin]

|| **whing'er**, n. Short sword, dirk, or long knife. [also *whinyard*; etym. dub.]

whinn'y, v.i., & n. 1. Neigh gently or joyfully. 2. n. ~ing sound. [imit., cf. WHINE]

whip', v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. Move (t. & l.) with sudden motion, snatch, dart, (always with adv. or prep.; ~ behind the cupboard; ~ped away to France; ~ped up her toy terrier; ~ out sword, knife; ~ off one's coat). 2. Bind (cord, stick) with close covering of twine, sew (seam) with overhand stitches. 3. Flog, lash, (horse, boy, etc.); ~ in, off, together, of managing hounds with ~, & transf. followers esp. in Parliament; ~ stream, fish it with ~ping motion; ~ horses on, urge with whip; ~ fault out of person; ~ eggs, cream, beat into froth; (sl.) excel, defeat, (~ creation, beat all). 4. Hoist (coal etc.) with rope passed through pulley. 5. ~ping-boy (hist.), boy educated with & chastised for young prince; ~ping-post, to which persons were tied to be ~ped; ~ping-top, kept spinning by blows of lash. Hence ~ping¹ (1, 4) n. [cf. Du. *wippen* skip, hasten, Sw. *vippa* to wag, G *wippen* move up & down; perh. cogn. w. L *vibrare* VIBRATE]

whip', n. 1. Instrument for urging on or punishing with lash attached to short or long stick; good, poor, etc., coachman (esp. of four-in-hand or tandem driver). 2. (Also *whipper-in*) hunt official subordinate to huntsman charged with management of hounds; || (transf.) official appointed to maintain discipline among, secure attendance of, & give necessary information to, members of his party in House of Parliament, also written notice (variously underscored with number of lines representing degrees of urgency, as *three-line* ~) requesting attendance on

particular occasion. 3. (Also ~&-derry) rope-&-pulley hoisting apparatus. 4. ~cord, tightly twisted cord such as is used for making ~lashes (his veins stood out like ~cord); ~crame, light derriock with tackle for hoisting; ~fish, kind with dorsal fin produced into filament like ~lash; ~gla, tackle-block with hoisting rope with several ends each to be simultaneously hauled on; ~hand, hand that holds ~ (esp. in *have the ~ hand of*, be in position to control); ~ray, ray-fish with long slender tail; ~round, appeal circulated among friends, members of a club or society, etc., for contributions (usu. for some charitable object); ~saw, narrow saw-blade with ends held by frame; ~snake, slender kinds. Hence ~p'y¹ a., flexible, springy, ~p'iness n. [partly f. prec., partly f. cogn. LG nn.]

whipp'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: ~in, (now usu. shortened to) WHIP¹; ~snapper, small child, young & insignificant but presuming or intrusive person [perh. for *whipnapper*, implying noise & unimportance; but cf. WHIPSTER]. [-ER¹]

whipp'et, n. Cross-bred dog of modified greyhound type used for racing; (Mil.) fast light tank. [f. 1610 in sense *small dog*; cf. obs. vb & n. = friak]

whip'poorwill, n. American bird allied to goatsucker. [imit. of cry]

Whip'snade, n. (Used for) ~ Park, in the Chilterns, a reserve for the breeding & exhibition of wild animals. [place]

whip'ster, n. Small child; || trifling frivolous person such as should still be subject to the whip. [-STER]

whiff(r), v.i. (part. *whir'ring*), & n. (Make) continuous buzzing or softly clicking sound as of bird's wings quickly flapped or cogwheels in rapid action. [f. Da. *hvirre* whirl, or imit.]

whiffl, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Swing (t. & i.) round & round, revolve (t. & i.) rapidly (~ing DERIVATION); send (missile etc.), (of moving body) travel, swiftly in orbit or curve; convey or go rapidly away etc. in wheeled conveyance; (of brain, senses, etc.) be giddy, seem to spin round, (of thoughts etc.) follow each other in bewildering succession. 2. n. ~ing movement (*my thoughts are in a ~*). 3. ~pool, circular eddy in sea etc.; ~wind, mass of air ~ing rapidly round & round in cylindrical or funnel shape (*saw wind & reap ~wind*, suffer worse results of bad action). [f. ON *hvirfla*, cf. G *wirbeln*; cogn. w. OE *weorfan* turn]

whiff'lig(-g-), n. Kinds of spinning toy, (fig.) revolving motion (~ of time, changes of fortune); merry-go-round; kinds of water beetle that circle about on surface. [prec., GR¹]

whisht. See WHISPER¹.

whisk, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Bunch of grass, hair, etc., to sweep dust off, flick away, etc.,

with; instrument for beating up eggs or cream; quick movement (as) of ~ or of animal's tail. 2. vb. Flap (dust, fly, etc.) away; or off; beat up (eggs etc.); take away or off with sudden motion (*waiter ~ed my plate off*); convey or go lightly & quickly esp. out of sight (*was ~ed across channel in aeroplane*; *mouse ~s into its hole*); brandish lightly or flip or wave about (*went ~ing a cane, her tail*). [earlier *wisk*, prob. of Scand. orig.; cf. Da. *wiske* wipe, G. *wischen* wipe, ON *wisk* & OHG *wisc* wipe, LG *wisk* quick movement]

whisk'er, n. Hair of man's cheek (cf. *moustache*, *beard*; usu. in pl.); bristle growing from upper lip of cat etc., set of such bristles on one side. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-erd) a. [prec., -ER¹]

whisk'y¹, -key, n. Spirit distilled from malted barley, other grains, or sugar etc.; *whiskified* (joc.), affected by ~drinking; ~liver, liver-complaint from alcoholic poisoning. [f. Gael. *uisge-beatha* water (of life), cf. USQUEBAUGH]

whisk'y², n. Kind of light gig or chaise. [f. WHISK, w. ref. to lightness of motion]

whisper, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Speak without vibration of vocal cords; talk with intention of being audible only close at hand or to confidant; inform or bid (person) thus *that* or to do; converse privately, indulge in slander or plotting; put secretly in circulation (tale, *that*; esp. *it is ~ed that*); (of leaves, stream, etc.) rustle; ~ing-gallery, gallery, cave, etc., in which some acoustic peculiarity causes least sound made at a particular point to be audible at another far off; hence ~ER¹, ~ING¹ (t), nn., ~INGLY² adv. 2. n. ~ing speech (*always talks in a ~ or ~s*); ~ed remark; rumour of unknown origin, mysterious hint; rustling sound. [ONorthumb. *hwisprian*, cf. G. *whispern*]

|| **whist**¹, **whisht** (hw-), int. enjoining silence (now rare exc. in representations of Irish talk, -*sh*). [cf. HIST, RUSH]

|| **whist**², a. (arch.). Silent. [f. prec.]

whist³, n. Card game of mingled skill & chance for four or exceptionally three or two persons (*long, short, ~*, with ten, five, points to game; DUMMY, *double DUMMY, ~*; RUBBER³ of ~; ~ *drive*, PROGRESSIVE ~ party. [earlier *whisk* (perh. w. ref. to whisking off of cards from table), afterwards changed w. ref. to the silence usual in the game]

whistle (wɪ'sl), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Make with the lips or with instrument for the purpose, or (of birds etc.) with the voice, or (of missile, wind, etc.) by rapid motion, the shrill sound of breath forced through small orifice formed with lips (*boy, bird, steam-engine, driver, wind, bullet, ~s*; ~ *for a wind*, of becalmed sailors, whence *may ~s for it*, vainly wish; *let one go ~s*,

disregard his wishes; ~ing, in names of kinds of bird & animal, as ~ing eagle, marmot); (obs.) act as informer, peacocks; summon or give signal to (dog, attendant) by ~ing (~e down the wind metaph. f. hawking, let go, abandon); give (tune etc.) by ~ing. 2. n. ~ing sound or note; instrument for producing such sound (*penny ~e*, tin pipe with six holes giving notes; *steam ~e*, sounded by jet of steam; *pay for one's ~e* (of anecdotic orig.), pay high for some caprice); throat (*went one's ~e*). [OE *hwistle* n., *hwistlian* make hissing sound, cf. ON *hwista* whisper imit.]

whistler (wis'ler), n. In vbl senses; esp. kind of marmot; kinds of bird. [-ER¹]

whit¹, n. Particle, least possible amount, (usu. in *no ~*, *not or never a ~*, not at all). [OE *whit* WIGHT, whit]

Whit², **Whit**³ sun, aa. ~ *Sunday*, seventh Sunday after Easter, commemorating day of Pentecost; ~ *Monday, Tuesday*, those following; ~ *week*, that containing, ~ *Sunday*; ~ *sun* *side*, ~ *Sunday* & following days; ~ *sun week*, ~ *week*. [OE *Hwita Sannandæg*, lit. White Sunday; *Whitsun* short for *Whitsunday's*; *Whit Sunday*=white Sunday, so called because christenings, & therefore white robes, were common on it]

white¹, a., & v.t. 1. Resembling a surface reflecting sunlight without absorbing any of the visible rays, of the colour of fresh snow or common salt or the common swan's plumage, having some approach to such colour, pale (~ *as a sheet*), less dark than other things of the same kind (*bleed ~*, fig., drain of wealth etc., w. ref. to hanging of calf to ~n veal), characterized by presence of some white, (~ in many -ED² compounds used esp. in naming animals etc., as ~-backed, ~-beaked, ~-bearded, ~-bellied, ~-breasted, ~-crested, ~-crowned, ~-eyed, ~-faced, ~-footed, ~-fronted, ~-headed, ~-necked, ~-rumped, ~-tailed, ~-throated, ~-winged). 2. (Of water, air, light) transparent, colourless. 3. (fig.). Innocent, unstained, of harmless kind. 4. Of ~ men (see ~ man below); ~ *culture*, *civilization*, etc.). 5. (pol.). Of royalist or counter-revolutionary or reactionary tendency (opp. RED, & of TERROR). 6. ~ *alloy*, any of the cheap imitations of silver; ~ *ANT*; ~ *bait*, small fish prob. the fry of several kinds eaten fried in quantities when about 2 in. long; ~ *beam*, small tree with silvery underleaf; ~ *bear*, polar bear; *W*~*boy*, member of 18th-c. illegal agrarian association in Ireland wearing ~ frocks at nightly meetings & outrages; ~ *caps*, breakers out at sea; ~ (snowy) *Christmas*; ~ *coffee* (with milk); ~ *corpse*, = LEUCOCYTE; ~ *CROW*¹, CURRANT, *W*~*Caesar* (hist.); (Asiatic

phr. for) *Czar of Russia*; ~ **ELEPHANT**; || ~ **ENSIGN**, flown by ships of British navy, cf. **RED ensign**; ~ **FEATHER**; ~ **FISH**, commerce, other than salmon, also of whiting & haddock in particular; ~ **FLAG**, **FRIAR**, **FROST**; || ~ *pieces* (presented to assize judge who finds no criminal cases to try); ~ **GROUSE**; ~ **GUM**, eruption on infant's neck & arms; ~ *hands*, (lit.) as sign of exemption from labour, (fig.) innocence or integrity; so ~ *handed*; ~ **heart-cherry**, pale heart-shaped kind; ~ **HEAT** (lit., & fig. of passion etc.; so ~ *hot*); ~ **HORSES**, waves with ~ crests at sea; *W~ House*, official residence of U.S. president; ~ **LEAD**, **LIE**; ~ **light**, colourless, e.g. ordinary daylight, also fig. of unprejudiced judgement; ~ *lipped*, esp. with fear; ~ *livered*, cowardly; ~ **MAGIC**; ~ **man**, member of one of the paler races chiefly inhabiting or having inhabited Europe, & characterized by a certain type of civilization (cf. *black, brown, red, yellow, man*; the ~ *man's burden*, task of leading the world forward), (colloq.) person of honourable character, good breeding, etc.; ~ *meat*, poultry, veal, rabbits, pork; ~ *metal*, = ~ *alloy*; ~ *mixture*, a hospital apert; || ~ *paper*, report issued by Government to give information; *W~ (western) Russia(n)*; ~ *sale* (of house- & body-linen); ~ **SCOURGE**; ~ *sheet*, penitent's garb (usu. *stand in a ~ sheet*, confess sin etc.); ~ *slave*, girl entrapped (& exported) for purpose of prostitution (the ~ *slave traffic*, ~ *slavery*); ~ *smith*, worker in tin, also polisher or galvanizer of iron; ~ *squall*, sudden tropical storm at sea announced only by line of ~ water approaching; ~ *thorn*, hawthorn (cf. **BLACK-thorn**); ~ *throat*, kinds of small songbird; ~ *war*, war without bloodshed, economic warfare; ~ *wash*, (n.) solution of quicklime or of whiting & size for brushing over walls, ceilings, etc., to give clean appearance, also fig. means employed to clear person or his memory of imputations, || (colloq.) glass of sherry after other wine, (v.t.) cover with ~ wash, attempt to clear reputation of, (pass., of insolvent) get fresh start by passage through bankruptcy court; ~ *wine*, of amber or golden colour (opp. *red*); ~ *witch* (using power for beneficent purposes only); hence ~ **LY** adv. (rare), **whit'EN** v.t. & l., ~ **NES** (-tn-) n., **whit'EN** (2) a. 7. v.t. (arch.). Make ~. [OE *hwit*, cf. Du. *wit*, G *weiss*, Skr. *śvīdā*-whitish]

white, n. White or nearly white colour; kinds of white pigment (*Chinese* etc. ~); white clothes or material (*dressed in ~*); albuminous part round yolk of egg; visible part round iris of eye; = *white man* (**MEAN** ~); kinds of butterfly; (Med.; pl.) **LEUCORRHOEA**. [f. prec.]

|| **White-châpel** (-t-çh-), n., & v.i. 1. ~ *cart*, light two-wheeled spring-cart

|| *shopkeepers* for sending goods round.

2. (whist). Lead from one-card suit with a view to subsequent trumping. [~ in London]

|| **White-hall** (-t-hawl), n. (Used for) the Civil Service, the Government offices. [street in London]

white'ning (-tn-), n. = **WHITING**¹. [*whiten* (**WHITE**¹), -ING¹]

whit'er (-dh-), adv. Interrog. & rel. (chiefly arch.), & n. 1. To what place or point? (now usu. *where?*, *where* — *to?*, *how far?*, etc., but cf. *I see ~ your question tends*), whence ~ **WARD** adv.; (rel., with antecedent *place* etc.) to which (now usu. *to which*, *where*), (without antecedent) to the or (also ~ *sooner*) any place to which (now usu. *where*); = & thither.

2. n. Destination (*our whence & our ~*; no ~, arch., to no place). [OE *hwider* (**WHICH**, -**THIER**)]

whit'ing¹, n. Chalk prepared by drying, grinding, etc., for use in whitewashing, plate-cleaning, etc. [**WHITE**¹ vb, -ING¹(4)]

whit'ing², n. Kind of sea-fish much used as food; ~ *pout*, fish with some resemblance to ~ & an inflatable membrane over part of head. [**WHITE**¹a., -ING²]

whit'leather (-lédh-), n. White leather dressed with alum instead of being tanned. [**WHITE**¹]

|| **Whit'ley Coun'cil**, n. A council of representatives of employers & workers for discussion & settlement of industrial relations & conditions. Hence **Whit'ley-ISM** n., use of such methods for dealing with industrial problems. [J. H. *Whitley*, Speaker 1921-8]

whit'low (-ð-), n. Inflammatory tumour on finger esp. about the nail. (earliest form *whitflawse*, perh. = white flaw, with *whit* = white as in **WHIT**¹)

Whitsun. See **WHIT**¹.

whit'tle¹, n. (arch.). Long knife, esp. such as is used by butchers. [ME *thwitel* f. OE *thwitan* pare, -LE(1)]

whit'tle², v.t. & l. Trim, carve, slice off pieces from, (wood) with knife; shape, thin down, cut repeatedly at, piece of wood with knife; reduce amount or effect of by repeated subtraction (usu. *down, away*). [f. prec.]

Whit'worth thread (-wér-, -réd), n. Standard screw-thread for metal. [Sir Joseph *Whitworth*, English engineer (d. 1887)]

whit'y, a. Inclining to white (usu. in comb. with other colour-name, esp. ~ *brown*). [-Y¹]

whiz, **whiss**, v.i. (-zz-, & n. (Make) sound given by friction of body moving at great speed through air; ~ *bang* (army sl.), shell from a small-calibre high-velocity German gun. [frnt.])

who (hó), pron. pers. Interrog. & rel. (obj.) whom pr. hótm; poss. wóss pr. hóss).

1. Interrog. What person(s), which

person(s)!, what sort of person(s) in regard to position or authority?, (~ said so?; ~m or colloq. ~ do you mean?; told him ~ they were, ~m or colloq. ~ to look out for; ~se son is he?; ~ would have thought it?; no one would; ~ are the Joneses, I should like to know?; ~ am I that I should object?; know ~'s ~, ~ or what each person is; a ~'s ~, list with description of notables). 2. rel. (Person or persons) that (the man ~m you saw; those fur ~se benefit it was done; anyone ~ chooses can apply; there is no one ~ we can believe is competent, often incorrectly ~m); (arch.) the or any person(s) that (~ breaks pays; ~m the gods love die young; as ~ should say, like a person ~ said, as though one said); and, but, though, since, if, etc., he, him, they, etc. (sent it to Jones, ~ passed it on to Smith; is flirting with Dick, ~m she detests). [Aryan: OE *hwā*, with neut. *hwāt*, gen. *hwases*, dat. *hwadum*, instr. *hwī*; cf. Du. *wie* who, *wat* what, *wien* whose, *wien* whom, *G wer* who, *was* what, *wessen* whose, *wen* & *wem* whom, *L quis*, *Skr. ka*; the rel. senses are later than the interrog.]

whoa. See **wo**.

who'dū(n)it (hōō-). n. (sl.). Detective or mystery story. [= *who done* (illiterate for *did*) it?]

who'e'er, who'sō (arch.), **whosō'e'er** (emphat.), **who'e'er'** & **whosō'e'er'** (poet.; -ē), (hōō-), pronn. pers. indef. rel. (cases as with **who**; *whosoever* or the incorrect *whoever* is usu. substituted without special emphasis for *whomever*, & *whosoever* occas. for *whose-ever*), used (1) as mod. equivalent of arch. *who* in indef. rel. sense (*whoever comes will be welcome*; *stopped whosoever or whoever or whom-ever he saw*; *return it to whose-ever or whosoever address is on it*); (2) in indef. concessive clauses = *though any one (whoever else objects, I do not; whose-ever it is, I mean to have it; whosoever or whoever or whomever I quote, you retain your opinion)*; (3) vulg. for **who** **EVER**. [**WHO**, **SO**, **EVER**]

whole (hōl), a. & n. 1. (arch.). In good health, well, (*they that be ~ need not a physician*). 2. In sound condition, uninjured, not broken, intact, (*hope you will come back ~*; *got off with a ~ skin*; *there is not a plate left ~*; *has swallowed a raisin ~*). 3. Integral, consisting of one or more units, without fractions, (~ *numbers*, integers). 4. Undiminished, without subtraction, (*bread made of ~ meal*, not deprived by bolting of some constituents). 5. (With *s* in sing.) not less than (*spent ~ years of misery*; *went up a ~ tone*; *lasted three ~ days*; *~ regiments were cut down*; *talked a ~ lot of nonsense*); (with *the*, *the*, etc.) all that there is of (the

~ *truth*, *world*, *duty of man*; *do thing with one's ~ heart*, heartily, with concentrated effort etc., without doubts etc., whence ~hearted³ a., ~heart'edly³ adv., ~heart'edness n.; the ~ *priesthood*, *city*, etc., all members or inhabitants of it; COMMITTEE of the ~ *House*; go the ~ *hog*¹, whence ~hogg'ER¹ (-g-) n.). 6. ~coloured, all of one colour; ~hoofed, with undivided hoofs; ~length' (portrait) representing person from head to foot; ~note, semi-breve; ~sale, (n., chiefly attrib.) selling of articles in large quantities to be retailed by others (a ~ *sale dealer*; *sells by ~sale*; ~sale *prices*), (adj. & adv.) on the ~sale plan, (transf.) on large scale, (*our business is ~sale only*; *sells ~sale*; a ~sale *slaughter took place*; *sends out begging letters ~sale*); ~saler, ~salo dealer; hence ~NESS (hōln-) n. 7. n. Thing complete in itself; all that there is of something (often of: *the golden rule contains the ~ of morality*; on or upon the ~, taking into consideration everything that bears on the question, after weighing pros & cons etc.); organic unity, complete system, total made up of parts, (*nature is a ~*; *the ~ & the parts*). [OE *hāl* HALE¹, cf. G *heil*, Du. *heel*; cogn. w. HEAL, HOLY]

whole'some (hōls-), a. Promoting physical or moral health, salubrious, salutary, not morbid, (~ *food*, *air*, *exercise*, *advice*, *neglect*, *excitement*). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [prec., -SOME]

wholly (hōl'h), adv. Entirely, without abatement, (*I am ~ yours*); exclusively, without admixture, (*a ~ bad example*). [WHOLE, -LY²]

whom. See **WHO**.

whoop (hōp). Var. of **HOOP**³.

***whoop'pee** (wōō-), n. (colloq.). *Make ~*, rejoice noisily, have a roaring time. [f. prec.]

whōp, v.t. (sl.; -pp-). Thrash, (fig.) defeat, overcome, whence ~p'ING⁴ (1) n.; (part.) very large of its kind (esp. a ~ping lie), whence ~p'ER¹ n. [also *w(h)ap*, *wop*; etym. dub.]

whore (hōr), n., & v.i. (not in decent use). 1. Prostitute, strumpet, (the SCARLET W~); ~master, ~monger, fornicator; hence ~DOM (hōrd-) n. 2. v.i. (Of man) practise fornication; (fig., arch., esp. go a-whoring after strange-gods etc.) practise idolatry or iniquity. [late OE *hōre* prob. f. ON *hōra* adulteress, cf. Du. *hoer*, G *hure*; cogn. w. L *corus* dear]

whōrl, n. Ring of leaves or other organs round stem etc. of plant; one turn of a spiral; disk on spindle steadying its motion. Hence ~ED¹ (-ld) a. [ME *wharung*, *whorichd*, cf. OE *hworfan* turn, -LE(1); or perh. var. of WHIRL]

whor'tleberry (wōrtelb-), n. = HILBERRY.

[also *whortle*, *whort*, *hurleberry*, *hurle*, *hurt*, perh. f. F *hurle* a roundel azure in heraldry]

whose (hōōz). Possessive case of WHO, used also as case of WHICH 4; ~ever, ~soever, see WHOEVER.

whoso, **whosoever**. See WHOEVER.

why? adv. interrog. & rel. & n. (pl. ~s). 1. On what ground?, for what reason?, with what purpose?, (~ did you do it?; cannot think ~ you came; often ellipt., as *You are late*; ~?, esp. in ~ so?, demand for grounds of statement or view); (rel.) on account of which (the reasons ~ he did it are obscure). 2. n. Reason, explanation, (cannot go into the ~s & wherefore now). [OE *hwī* instr. of WHO, WHAT]

why? int. expr. surprised discovery or recognition (~, it is surely Jones!; ~, what a bruise you have got!; ~, of course, that was it), protest at simplicity of question etc. ('What is twice two?' ~, four.' ~, a child could answer that), pause for reflection ('Is it true?' ~, yes, I think so'), objection (~, what is the harm?), introduction of apodosis (if silver will not do, ~, we must try gold), etc. [ellipt. uses of prec. Interrog.]

wick¹, n. (Piece of) fibrous or spongy material by which lamp or candle flame is kept supplied with melted grease or oil; (Surg.) gauze strip inserted in wound to drain it. [OE *wēoce*, *wēoc*, cf. MDu. *wiecke*, Da. *væge*]

wick², n. Town, hamlet, district, (rare exc. in place-names as *Hampton W* or other compounds as *baili*~). [OE *wic* f. L *vicus*]

wick³ed, a. Sinful, iniquitous, vicious, given to or involving immorality, (~ bible, edition of 1632 with not omitted in seventh commandment), offending intentionally against the right; spiteful, ill-tempered, intending or intended to give pain, playfully mischievous, roguish. Hence ~LY³ adv., ~NESS n. [ME, f. obs. *wick* of same sense (perh. adj. use of OE *wicca* wizard) + -ED³ as in WRETCHED]

wick⁴er, n. Plaited twigs or osiers as material of baskets, chairs, mats, protective covers, etc. (usu. attrib., as ~ chair), whence ~ED⁴ (-erd) a.; ~work, (things made of) ~. [earlier sense *pliant twig*, f. Scand. (MSw. *viker* osier cf. Sw. *vika* to bend, OE *wican* give way); cogn. w. WEAK]

wick⁵et, n. 1. Small door or gate, esp. one beside or in the compass of a larger one for use when the latter is not open (also ~door, ~gate); turnstile entrance; aperture in door or wall usu. closed with sliding panel; door closing only lower half of doorway. 2. (cricket). One set of three stumps & two balls (keep ~, be ~keeper or fieldman stationed close behind batsman's ~; keep one's ~ up, succeed in not being put out); the ~s as defended

by one batsman (5 ~s down, five men out; match won by 2 ~s, with three of winning side still not out); good etc. state of the pitch (*play began on a perfect ~*); be on a good, sticky, ~, (fig.) be in an advantageous, unfavourable, position. [ME & AF *wicket*, mod. F *guichet*, f. uncertain Teut. source; cricket ~ orig. resembled gate, being 2 ft wide by 1 ft]

widdershins. Var. of WITHERSHINS.

wide, a., adv., & n. 1. Measuring much or more than other things of same kind across or from side to side, broad, not narrow, (~ door, road, river, brim, margin, cloth, interval; ~ margin, fig., a good deal more allowed than is likely to be needed). 2. (Appended to measurement) in width (a strip 3 ft ~). 3. Extending far, embracing much, of great extent, (has a ~ range; ~ fame, known to many; the ~ world, all the world great as it is; a ~ domain, large; is of ~ distribution, occurs in many places; a ~ generalization, covering many particulars; there is a ~ difference between; also adv., as the principle ranges ~, & esp. in far & ~), whence ~LY² adv. 4. Not tight or close or restricted, loose, free, liberal, unprejudiced, general, (~ knickerbockers; ~ culture, not specialized; takes ~ views; hazard a ~ guess, one allowing margin for errors of detail; give ~ berth to, not go too near, keep clear of, avoid). 5. Open to full extent (staring with ~ eyes; also adv. or pred. a., as yawned ~, open your mouth ~, window is ~ open, person is ~ awake). 6. At considerable distance from a point or mark, not within reasonable distance of, (~ ball in cricket, ball judged by umpire to pass wicket beyond batsman's reach & counting one to his side; gave an answer quite ~ of the mark or purpose; also adv. or pred. a., as is bowling, shooting, ~; arrow fell ~ of target). 7. n. A ~ ball; the ~, the ~ world (broke to the ~, colloq., completely broke). 8. ~ awake a. (colloq.), wary, knowing; ~-awake n., soft ~brimmed felt hat; ~spread, ~ly disseminated (esp. of beliefs or impressions). Hence *wid*¹EN¹ v.t. & i., *wid*¹EN¹ (2) a. [oom.-Teut.: OE *wid*, cf. Du. *wijd*, G *weit* far]

wid(g)eon (wɪ'jn), n. Kinds of wild duck. [perh. ult. f. L *vipio* kind of crane; cf. PIGEON, & F *vigeon*, *vingeon*, which however are not recorded as early as E ~]

wid²ow (-ō), n., & v.t. 1. Woman who has lost her husband by death & not married again (GRASS ~; ~'s WEEDS; ~'s CRUISE, supply that looks small, but proves inexhaustible, see 1 *Kings* xvii. 10-16; ~'s mite, see *Mark* xii. 42; ~'s peak, V-shaped growth of hair in centre of forehead; also attrib., as ~ lady, woman); the ~ (colloq.), champagne [f. the *Veuve* (F ~) Cliquet brand]; ~bird, black-plumaged African bird of genus *Vidua* (L. = ~);

hence ~HOOD (-dōh-) n. 2. v.t. Kill husband or mate of, deprive of husband or wife or mate, make into ~ or widower, (usu. in p.p.; the ~ed father, mother, etc.); (poet.) bereave of friend etc. [Aryan: OE *widewe*, cf. Du. *weduwe*, G *witwe*; cogn. w. L *viduus* bereft, Gk *titheos* bachelor, Skr. *vidhātā*]

wid'ower (-ōer), n. Man who has lost his wife by death & not married again. [prec., -ER¹]

width, n. Distance or measurement from side to side; comprehensiveness or liberality of mind, views, etc.; piece of material of certain ~ (shall want three ~s of it). [WIDE, -TH¹]

wield, v.t. Control, sway, hold & use, manage with the hands or otherwise, (~ power, the sceptre, a kingdom etc. chiefly poet., weapon lit. or fig.). [OE *wieldan*, *wieldan* rule, cf. ON *valda*, G *walten*; perh. cogn. w. L *valere* be strong]

wife, n. (pl. -ves). 1. Woman, esp. one who is old & rustic or uneducated (now rare exc. in *old wives' tale*, foolish or superstitious tradition, & in comb. as FISH ~, HOUSEWIFE, MIDWIFE). 2. Married woman esp. in relation to her husband (usu. *my* etc. ~, *the* ~ of, or with epithet as *will* make a good ~; *wedded*, *lawful*, ~, emphatic phrr. in contrast w. *mistress*, *concubine*, etc.; *all the world & his* ~; *have*, *take*, to ~, = as ~). Hence ~HOOD (-fh-), 'wife' [-Y²], nn., ~LESS, ~LIKE, ~LY¹, (-fī-), aa. [OE *wif*, cf. Du. *wijf*, G *weib*, all neut. nn., etym. dub.]

wig¹, n. Artificial head of hair formerly much worn as ornament, & still to conceal baldness or disguise appearance || or as part of official dress esp. of judge or lawyer or of servant's livery (*there will be* ~s on the green, a free fight). Hence (-)~GED² (-gd), ~LESS, aa. [short for FERRIWIG]

wig², v.t. (-gg-). Rebuke sharply, rate, (chiefly in the vbl n.). Hence ~G'ING¹ (l) (-g-) n. [perh. w. ref. to bewigged superior reprimanding]

wig'an, n. Stiff canvas-like material used for stiffening. [*Wigan* in Lancashire]

wig'gle, v. t. (colloq. or dial.) Cause something to move from side to side; || scull (a boat) with single oar over stern. [cogn. w. or f. (M)LG *wiggelen*; cf. WAG¹ & WAGGLE]

wight (wit), n. (arch. or joc.) Person, being, (esp. *luckless*, *wretched*, etc., ~). [OE *wiht* creature, person, thing, cf. Du. *wicht* child, G *wicht* creature; doublet of WHY¹]

wig'wam (or -ōm), n. N.-Amer. Indian's tent or hut of skins or mats or bark. [native]

wild, a., adv., & n. 1. Not domesticated or cultivated (chiefly of animals & plants, & esp. of species allied to others that are not ~; in the commoner combinations

~ & the n. are hyphenated, or treated as one wd with accent on ~; ~ *beast*, *plant*; ~ *man*, *savage*; ~ *ass*; ~ *boar*; ~ *duck*; ~ *fowl*; ~ *vine*; ~ *cat* lit., also fig. as a. or attrib. of finance or commercial speculations, reckless, unsound; ~ *goose* lit., also in ~ *goose chase*, absurdly impossible enterprise; ~ *horse*, also in *be drawn by* ~ *horses*, form of torture & death; ~ *hyacinth*, *bluebell*; ~ *oats*; ~ *scenery* etc., of conspicuously desolate appearance; *woodnotes* ~, spontaneous & artless poetry). 2. (Of horses, game-birds, etc.) shy, given to shying, easily startled, hard to get near. 3. Unrestrained, wayward, disorderly, irregular, out of control, unconventional, (a ~ *fellow*; *settled down* after a ~ *youth*; ~ *work*, lawless doings; *hair hanging in* ~ *locks*; *living in* ~ *times*; *room is in* ~ *disorder*; *run* ~, grow unchecked or untrained). 4. Tempestuous, violent, (a ~ *wind*, *night*, etc.). 5. Intensely eager, excited, frantic, passionate, distracted, mad, (is ~ with excitement, to try it; the ~ *men*, extremists of a party etc.; ~ about person or subject, enthusiastically devoted to; ~ *delight*, excitement, enthusiasm, grief, rage; ~ *looks*, appearance, etc., indicating distraction; *drive* ~, madden). 6. Haphazard, rash, ill-considered, ill-aimed, disturbed by excitement, (a ~ *guess*, *shot*, *blow*, *venture*; ~ *opinions*, *bowling*; also as adv., as *shoot*, *talk*, ~). 7. ~ *fire*, = Greek FIRE¹ (*report spreads like* ~ *fire*, very fast). Hence ~ISH² (2) a., ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. 8. n. Desert, ~ tract. [com.-Teut.: OE *wilde*, cf. Du. & G *wild*; prob. cogn. w. WILL w. orig. sense wilful]

wil'debēst (v-), n. The gnu. [S.-Afr. Du. (prec., BRAET)]

|| wil'der, v.t. (poet.). Bewilder. [prob. shortened f. *wildern* see fol.]

wil'derness, n. Desert, uncultivated & uninhabited tract, (*voice in the* ~ etc., unregarded advocate of some reform, w. ref. to Matt. iii. 3 etc.; *wandering* etc. in the ~, of political party out of office, w. ref. to Num. xiv. 33 etc.); part of garden left wild; unlimited number or quantity of. [prob. f. obs. *wildern* savage, f. OE *wild-dor* wild beast + -ER¹, + -NESS]

wild'ing, n. Plant sown by natural agency, esp. wild crab-apple, or fruit of such plant (also attrib.). [-NE²]

wile, n., & v.t. 1. Trick, cunning procedure, artifice, (usu. in pl.). 2. v.t. Lure, entice, away, into, etc. (also incorrectly for WHILE¹ vb). [ME *wil*, perh. f. Scand. (ON *ell* craft)]

wil'ful, a. For which compulsion or ignorance or accident cannot be pleaded as excuse, intentional, deliberate, due to perversity or self-will, (~ *murder*, *vengeance*, *ignorance*, *disobedience*); obstinate, self-willed, headstrong, refractory. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [WHILE¹, -FUL]

Wilhelmstrasse (vɪ'lɛɪmsʈraːsə), n. (Used for) the German Foreign Office. [Berlin street]

will¹, v.t. & aux. (pres. *I, he, we, you, they*, ~ or *'ll*, *thou wilt* or *'t*; past & condit. *I, he, we, you, they*, would pr. wōd or *'d*, *thou wouldst* pr. wōdst or *wouldst* or *'dst*; neg. forms ~ *not* or *wōn't*, *would not* or *wōuldn't*, or *'d not*; no other forms or parts used). 1. (used irrespective of person with more or less of orig. sense of volition). Desire (thing; arch.; what *wilt thou?*; what *would they?*); want or desire or choose to (*the heaven where I would be*; *come when you ~*); wish that, rarely that (usu. in condit. with optative effect: *I often omitted; it shall be as you ~*; *said it should be as we would*; *would or I would I were a bird!*; *would it were otherwise!*; *would God I had died!*, i.e. if only God had wished, or perh. ellipt. for *I would to God; I would to heaven I was dead*; *would-be*, prefixed as adj. or adv. to wd describing character that person vainly aspires to or that thing is meant to have, as a *would-be gentleman*, *smart saying*); consent or be prevailed on to (~ or *would not go any further*; *wound would not heal*; *would you pass the salt?*; *would not do it for £100*); refuse to be prevailed on not to (*boys ~ be boys*; *accidents ~ happen*; *you ~ have your way*; *he ~, would, get in my light*); be accustomed or observed from time to time to (~ *sit there for hours*; *now & then a blackbird would call*; ~ *succeed once in ten times*); be likely to turn out to (*this ~ be Waterloo*, *I suppose*; *I don't know who it would be*). 2. As tense & mood auxiliaries ~ & would are used (a) in 2nd & 3rd person (1st having *shall*, *should*) to form a plain future or conditional statement or question (*you ~ hear soon enough*; *they would have been killed if they had let go*; ~ or *would you, they, be able to hear at such a distance?*, but cf. SHALL 5); (b) in 1st person (others having *shall*, *should*) to form a future or conditional statement expressing speaker's will or intention (*I ~ not be caught again*; *we would have come if you had given us longer notice*); (c) alternatively with *shall*, *should*, in sentences of type a changed in reporting to 1st from other person (*you say I ~, said I would, never manage it*, reporting 'You ~ never'; now more usu. *shall*, *should*) or from first to other person (*he said he would never manage it*, reporting 'I shall never'); (d) in reporting 1st pers. sentences of type b (*you promised you would not be caught again*). [Aryan: OE *willan*, cf. Du. *willen*, G *wollen*; cogn. w. L *velle* wish, & Skr. or choose, also w. **will**²]

will², n. 1. Faculty by which person decides or conceives himself as deciding upon & initiating action (*mind consists of*

the understanding & the ~; *freedom of the ~*, free ~, power of determining one's choice of action independently of causation). 2. (Also ~-power) control exercised by deliberate purpose over impulse, self-control, (*has a strong, weak, etc.*, ~). 3. Deliberate or fixed intention (*the ~ to live in a patient is the surgeon's best ally*; *the ~ to power etc.*, Germanisms for determination to win power etc.; *did it against my ~*, *of my own free ~*; *where there's a ~ there's a way*; *my poverty but not my ~ consents*). 4. Energy of intention, power of effecting one's intentions or dominating other persons, (*do thing with a ~*, energetically; *has a ~ that overbears all opposition*). 5. Contents of the ~, what is desired or ordained by person, (*thy ~ be done*; *what is your ~?*, what do you wish done!; *have one's ~*, get thing desired; *worked his wicked ~ upon them*). 6. Arbitrary discretion (esp. at ~, whenever one pleases; *tenant at ~*, who can be turned out without notice; ~-*worship*, arch., religion constructed to suit oneself). 7. Disposition towards others, wishing of good or ill, (*good, ill*, ~, usu. as compd wds). 8. Directions written in legal form for disposition to be made of person's property & minor children after his death (often *last ~ & testament*; *nuncupative ~*, see NUNCUPATE; *make one's ~*). Hence (-)~ED¹ (-ld), ~-LESS, aa. [OE *willa* (prec.)]

will³, v.t. 1. Have as contents of one's will, intend unconditionally, (*God ~s, ~eth, ~ed, that man should be happy*; *can we ~ what we are told to ~?*; *he who ~s success is half way to it*); (abs.) exercise will-power (*has no power to ~*; ~ing & wishing are not the same). 2. Instigate or impel or compel by exercise of will-power (*you can ~ yourself into contentment*; *mesmerist ~s patient to think himself well*; ~ed the genie into his presence). 3. Bequeath by will (*shall ~ my money to a hospital*). [OE *willian*, f. prec.]

will⁴et, n. N.-Amer. snipe. [imit. of cry] **will**⁵ing, a. Not reluctant, cheerfully ready, (*to do, or abs.*; *do not spur a ~ horse*); of, given etc. by, ~ person (~ *hands, help*, etc.). Hence ~L² adv., ~NESS n. [WILL¹, -ING²]

will-o'-the-wisp (-dh-), n. = LUXU FATUUS, JACK-O'-LANTERN; also, person of uncertain whereabouts or appearances. [abbr. of *William*; *wisp* = handful of (lighted) tow etc.]

willow¹ (-ð), n. 1. Kinds of tree & shrub with plant branches growing usu. near water in temperate climates, many of which yield osiers & some timber used for cricket bats & other purposes (*weave the ~*, mourn loss or absence of one's beloved, formerly indicated by garland of ~ leaves; ~-*pattern*, conventional design of Chinese type done in blue on white

china etc. introduced in England 1780). 2. Cricket-bat (*handle the ~*, bat). 3. ~ herb, kinds of plant, the commonest with leaves like ~ & pale purple flowers. [OE *welig*, cf. Du. *wilg*]

will'[ow² (-ð), v.t. & n., will' [y], n. 1. Clean (fibrous material) by beating, picking, etc., with machinery. 2. n. (Also ~oin, ~owing, -machine) machine for ~owing. [OE *wilgic* n. (prec.)]

will'owy (-ð), a. Abounding in willows; lithe & slender. [-y²]

will'y-nill'y. See **NILL**.

wilt'. See **WILL**¹.

wilt'², v.t. & i. Wither (t. & i. of plant, leaf, flower), (make) droop. [perh. var. of **WELK**]

Wilt'on, n. (Also ~ carpet) kind of Brussels carpet with loops cut open into thick pile made at town of ~ in Wilts.

wil'y, a. Full of wiles, crafty, cunning. Hence ~ily² adv., ~iness n. [WILE, -y²]

Wim'bledon (-beld-), n. (Used for) the lawn-tennis tournaments with championship matches etc. held at ~.

wim'ple, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Covering of linen etc. worn by nuns & formerly by other women arranged in folds about head, cheeks, chin, & neck; (vb) put ~ upon, veil, arrange in folds. 2. Winding, twist, turn, ripple; (vb) fall in folds, (of stream) twist about, meander, ripple. [OE *wimpe*, cf. Du. & G *wimpel* streamer]

win, v.t. & i. (won pr. wun), & n. 1. Secure as result of fighting or competition or (often of person) betting & gaming or of effort (~ victory, fortress, prize, honour, fame, fortune, one's BLUE², wife; ~ one's spurs, be knighted, (fig.) get recognition as expert at something; won £5 of him at cards, whence ~n'ings n. pl., see -ING²(2); ~ one's way, progress by struggle etc.; ~ one's bread, earn livelihood, chiefly now in BREAD-~ner; ~ ore etc., get it (from mine). 2. Be victorious in (~ battle, game, bet, race; ~ the field, be victorious in battle or fig.; ~ the toss); (abs.) ~ race, contest, money, etc. (~ by a HEAD², in a CANTER, HAND² s down, by two etc. lengths, easily, etc.; ~NING¹-post, marking end of race; the ~ning horse, side, etc.; ~ at cards; let those laugh who ~); (part.) determining victory (the ~ning hit, goal, card, etc.). 3. Make one's way to (~ the shore, summit, etc.). 4. Make one's way, or (with compl.) become by successful effort, (~ home; ~ through the day, through all difficulties; ~ free, clear, etc.). 5. Persuade, induce to do, gain over, (you have won me; won him to consent; soon won his audience over). 6. Exercise increasing attraction upon (a theory that ~s upon one by degrees); (part. as adj.) charming, attractive, (a ~ning smile, ~ning manners, personality, etc.), whence ~n'ingly² adv. 7. ~ning HAZARD². Hence {-}~N~² n. 8. n. A success or victory in a

game (*has had three ~s & no defeats*). [com.-Teut.: OE *winnan* fight, toil, cf. Du. *winnen*, G *gewinnen*]

vince, v.i., & n. 1. Show bodily or mental pain or distress by slight start or loss of composure, flinch, (often under pain, the knife, at allusion, etc.). 2. n. Act of wincing. [cf. OF *guencir* f. Teut., cf. WINK]

win'cey, n. (pl. ~s). Strong material of wool & cotton or wool used for shirts etc. Hence ~ETTE² (-sl-) n. [perh. corrupt. of LINSEY-WOOLSEY]

winch, n. Crank of wheel or axle; hoisting-machine, windlass. [OE *wince*, cogn. w. WINK]

Win'chester¹, n. ~ (rifle), type of repeating rifle used esp. by big-game hunters. [O. F. ~, Amer. manuf.]

Win'chester², n. ~ (quart), (bottle holding) half a gallon. [~ in Hants, where standard measures were orig. deposited]

wind¹ (poet. also wl-), n. 1. Air in more or less rapid natural motion, breeze or gale or blast, (north etc. ~, coming from N. etc.; fair, contrary, ~, helping, hindering, ship's course; hot, cold, whistling, variable, etc., ~s; constant ~, that always blows in same direction at same place; periodical ~, recurring at known periods; ~ rises, begins to blow or gets stronger; sound, scent, is carried by, comes on, the ~; CARFUL, SLANT, of ~; ILL ~; before, down, the ~, helped by its force; WHISTLE down the ~; BETWEEN ~ & water; sail, be, close to or near the ~, as nearly against it as is consistent with using its force, (fig.) venture very near indecency or dishonesty; in the ~'s eye, in the teeth of the ~, directly against it; on a ~, Naut., sailing against a ~ on either bow; off the ~, Naut., sailing with the ~ on either quarter; fling or cast prudence etc. to the ~s, abandon, neglect, take no thought of; PUT¹ the ~ up one; have or get the ~ up, sl., be or become frightened; go like the ~, swiftly; there is something in the ~, there are signs that some step is being secretly prepared; find out how the ~ blows or lies, what developments are likely or what is the state of public opinion; take the ~ out of one's sails, frustrate him by anticipating his arguments, using his material, etc.; sow ~, & reap WHIRL¹; raise the ~, fig., obtain money needed). 2. ~ward position or weather-GAUGE¹ (take or get the ~ of). 3. pl. The four cardinal points (came from the four ~s, from all directions; scatter to the four ~s of heaven). 4. Mere empty words, unmeaning rhetoric. 5. Artificially produced air-current, air stored for use or used as current, (collect.) part of band consisting of ~-instruments, (organ stops when the ~ is exhausted; was knocked down by the ~ of the blow; the strings were drowned by the ~, the wood-~, i.e. flutes etc., by the brass). 6. Smell conveyed on ~, indication of thing's whereabouts or

existence, commencing publicity, (*get ~ of*, smell out, begin to suspect, hear rumour of; *take or get ~*, be rumoured). 7. Gas generated in bowels etc. by indigestion, flatulence, (*break ~*, release it by anus; *baby etc. is troubled with ~*). 8. Breath as needed in exertion, power of fetching breath without difficulty while running or making similar continuous effort, spot below centre of chest blow on which temporarily paralyses breathing, (*have lost, let me recover or get, my ~*; *has a good, bad, ~*; *broken ~*, see *BROKEN-winded*; *second ~*, recovery of ~ in course of exercise after initial breathlessness; *have one's ~ taken*, be paralysed by blow in the ~; *hit him in the ~*). 9. ~*bag*, wordy orator; ~*bound*, unable to sail for contrary ~s; ~*break*, fence, shrubs, etc., serving to break force of ~; ~*chest*, box for compressed air in organ; ~*colic*, pain caused by flatulence; ~*cutter*, upper lip of mouth of flue-pipe in organ; ~*egg*, unfertilized egg incapable of producing chicken; ~*fall*, fruit blown down, (fig.) unexpected good fortune, esp. legacy; || ~*fanner*, = ~*hover*; ~*flower* (poet.), the plant anemone; ~*gall*, soft tumour on horse's fetlock-joint; ~*gauge*, anemometer, also instrument showing amount of ~ in organ, also apparatus attached to sights enabling allowance to be made for ~ in shooting; || ~*hówer*, kestrel; ~*instrument*, musical instrument in which sound is produced by current of air, as organ, flute; ~*jammer* (sl.), merchant sailing-ship; ~*mill*, mill worked by action of ~ on sails (*Right ~mills*, tilt at imaginary foe or grievance, v. ref. to Don Quixote; ~*mill plane*, aeroplane supported by vanes revolving horizontally); ~*pipe*, breathing-tube, trachea; ~*row*, line of raked hay, corn-sheaves, peats, etc., made to allow of drying by ~; ~*sail*, canvas funnel conveying air to lower parts of ship; || ~*screen* (of glass in front of motor-car driver); ~*sock*, canvas cylinder or cone flying from masthead to show direction of ~; ~*spout*, waterspout, tornado, or whirl~; ~*sucker*, ~*sucking*, (horse with) the vice of noisily drawing in & swallowing breath; ~*swept*, exposed; ~*TIGHT*; ~*ward* a. & n., (region) lying in the direction from which the ~ blows, exposed to the ~, (*look to ~ward*; *the ~ward side*; *get to ~ward of*, avoid smell of, also get weather GAUGE¹ of or fig. advantage over). Hence ~*LESS* a. [Aryan: OE, also Du. & G; cogn. w. *L ventus*, Skr. *vāta*, & see WEATHER¹]

wind², v.t. 1. Sound (horn, bugle, blast, call) by blowing (wi-; *winded* or by confusion w. foll. *wound*). 2. Detect presence of by scent (wi-; *winded*; *hounds, deer, ~ the fox, stalkers*; ~*ed his tobacco half a mile off*). 3. Breathe, make breathe quick & deep by exercise, exhaust wind of,

renew wind of by rest, (wi-; *winded*; *give horse a gallop to ~ him*; *am quite ~ed by the climb*; *rested to ~ the horses*). [f. prec.] **wind³**, v.l. & t. (*wound*), & n. 1. Go in circular, spiral, curved, or crooked course, meander, (*path, river, ~s*; *herd ~s o'er the lea*; *creeper ~s round pole*; ~*ing staircase*, spiral; in ~*ing*, out of truth, askew); make one's or its way etc. circuitously, insinuate oneself into, (*brook ~s its way*; *wound himself or his way into my affections*). 2. Coll (t. & i.), wrap closely (t. & i.), surround with coll, embrace, (~ *cotton on reel, wool into ball, etc.*; also with *off* adv. or prep. = unwind; ~ person round one's fingers, exercise complete domination over; *wound the blanket round him, her arms round the child, the child in her arms*; ~*ing-sheet*, in which corpse is wound; ~ *pegtop*, coll string round it; *serpent ~s itself or ~s round victim*); hoist or draw by use of windlass etc. (~ *ship out of harbour, ore up from mine*). 3. ~ *up* (clock etc.). 4. ~ *ship*, reverse positions of bow & stern. 5. ~ *up*, coll the whole of (~ *up piece of string*), tighten coiling or coiled spring or fig. tension or intensity or efficiency of (~ *up strings of fiddle*; ~ *up clock etc.*; *is ~ing himself up for an effort or to do it*; *the administration needs ~ing up*, is slack; *person is wound up to fury*; *expectation was wound up to a high pitch*); bring to a conclusion, conclude t. & i., (*wound up his speech, or wound up, by declaring*; *shot his wife & child & wound up by stabbing himself*; ~ *up company*, arrange its affairs & dissolve it; *company ~s up*, ceases business, goes into liquidation, whence ~*ing¹-up* n.); hence ~*ER¹* (1, 2) n., ~*ingly¹* adv. 6. n. Bend or turn in course; single turn in ~*ing* clock, string, etc.; ~*up*, conclusion, finish. [OE *windan*, cf. Du. & G *winden*; cogn. w. *WANDER*, *WEND¹*]

wind⁴age, n. Difference between projectile's & gun-bore's diameter allowing escape of gas; (allowance for) influence of wind in deflecting missile. [-AGE]

wind⁵lass, n., & v.t. 1. Machine for hauling or hoisting on wheel-&-axle principle. 2. v.t. Hoist or haul with ~, [prob. corrupt. of AF *windas* f. ON *vindass* (*vinda* WIND³, *das* beam)]

|| **wind⁶lestraw** (-del-), n. Old stalk of kinds of grass. [OE *windelstræw* grass for plaiting (WIND³, STRAW)]

wind⁷ow (-ō), n. 1. Opening in wall or roof of building, ship, carriage, etc., usu. filled with glass in fixed or sliding or hinged frames to admit light & sometimes air to room etc. (*look out of ~ or the ~*; *have all one's goods in the ~*, be superficial; *blank, blind, false, ~*, mouldings or recess as for ~ without aperture; *bow WINDOW*; *bay², casement, dormer, eyebrow, lattice, oriel, sash²*; ~). 2. Opening in

envelope to show address written on letter. 3. ~-box, slide for weights in saah~, also box on ~-sill in which flowers are grown; ~-dressing, art of arranging goods attractively in shop~, often fig. of adroit presentation of statistics etc.; ~ envelope (with opening or transparent part allowing address inside to show); ~-shopping, feasting one's eyes on the goods displayed in the shop~s. Hence (-)~ED¹ (-ôd), ~LESS (-ôl-), aa. [L. ON *vindauga* (WIND¹, EYE¹)]

Wind'sor (-x-), n. Town in Berks. (*House of* ~, style of British Royal Family assumed 1817; ~ chair, all of wood with curved support for back (& arms); *brown ~ soap*, brown scented kind; || ~ uniform, blue coat with red collar & cuffs worn at ~ by the royal family, & by others having royal grant).

Wind¹ [y], a. Wind-swept (~y hill-top, plain, situation); in which wind is high (~y night, weather, crossing); wordy, verbose, empty, (~y eloquence, logic, speaker); generating or characterized by flatulence; (arch.) windward (on the ~y side of the law, safely out of its reach); (sl.) frightened. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

wine, n., & v.i. & t. 1. (Kinds of) fermented grape-juice (is a sound ~; DRY¹ or sweet, STILL¹ or sparkling, WHITE¹ or red, ~; green ~, in first year; port ~, port; COMET ~; Adam's ~, water; good ~ needs no BUSH¹; new ~ in old bottles, new principle too powerful to be restrained by ancient forms; take ~ with, pledge & be pledged by at table; SPIRIT of ~; TEAR's of strong ~; over the WALNUTS & the ~; ~ whey, beverage of ~ & curdled milk; in ~, exhilarated or drunk with ~). 2. (At universities) party for ~-drinking after dinner (~s have gone out of fashion). 3. Fermented drink resembling ~ made from specified fruit etc. (cowslip, currant, gooseberry, orange, palm, ~). 4. Solution of drug in ~ (quinine ~; ~ of opium). 5. A dark-red tint. 6. ~ bag, ~ skin, or ~bibber; ~bibber, tippler, drunkard; so ~bibbing a. & n.; ~ bottle, glass bottle for ~, also ~ skin; ~ bowl, lit., also drinking habits etc.; ~ carriage, wheeled utensil for circulating ~ bottle at table; ~ cooler, vessel in which ~ bottles are cooled with ice; ~ cup, as ~ bowl; || ~ fat, arch., ~ press; ~ glass, any glass for drinking ~ from, esp. of size used for sherry, often as measure (also ~ glassful) of medicine to be taken, ~ four table-spoons; ~ MARC; ~ palm, kind from which ~ is made; ~ press, in which grapes are squeezed; ~ sap, large red American winter apple; ~ skin, whole skin of goat etc. sewn up & used to hold ~; ~ stone, tartaric deposit in ~ necks; ~ vault, cellar in which ~ is kept, also bar etc. where it is retailed; hence ~-ing, WING¹, aa. 7. vb. Drink ~;

entertain to ~; often dine & ~. [OE *win* f. L *vinum*, cf. G *wein*, Du. *wijn*, Gk *oinos* wine, oinê vine]

wing, n., & v.t. & i. 1. One of the limbs or organs by which the flight of a bird, bat, insect, angel, etc., is effected, part in non-flying bird or insect corresponding to ~, supporting part of flying-machine, (clip one's ~s, limit his movements or ambitions or expenditure; come on the ~s of the wind, swiftly; lend, add, ~s to, accelerate; take under one's ~, treat as protégé; his ~s are sprouting etc., his virtues are too great for a being below the degree of an angel; money takes to itself ~s, disappears); high-, low-, mid-, aa., (of monoplane) having the ~s set near the top, near the bottom, in the middle, of the fuselage. 2. (joc.). (Esp. of wounding) arm. 3. More or less separate projecting part of something, esp. of building or battle array (the north ~ was added in the 17th century; cavalry were massed on left ~; ~s in theatre, sides of stage, pieces of side scenery). 4. (Football, Hockey, etc.) forward etc. whose place is either side of the centre (also attrib., as ~ three-quarter). 5. || R.A.F. formation of two or more squadrons. 6. pl. Pilot's badge in R.A.F. etc. 7. ~ed flight, ~s, (on the ~, flying, travelling, in motion; take ~, start flying). 8. ~-beat, one complete set of motions with ~ in flying; ~-case, horny cover, a modified fore~, protecting some insects' flying ~; || ~ commander, officer of AIR¹-force; ~-covert, one of small feathers covering insertion of bird's flying feathers; ~-footed, poet., swift; ~-sheath, = ~-case; ~-spread, measurement across ~s when extended, surface or area of aircraft's ~s; ~-stroke, = ~-beat; hence ~-ED¹ (wing'd, wing'id), ~-LESS, aa., ~-LET n. 9. vb. Equip with ~s, enable to fly or mount, send in flight, lend speed to, (~ arrow with eagle's feathers or at the mark; vengeance ~ed the shaft; ~ed words, going like arrows to mark, significant; ambition ~s his spirit; fear ~ed his steps; ~ed horse, Pegasus, poetry; ~ed god, Mercury; ~ed Victory, statue of goddess of victory with ~s). 10. Travel, traverse, on ~s (bird ~s its way, ~s to its mate, ~s the air). 11. Wound (bird) in ~, (person) in arm. [ON *vængr*, cf. Da. *vinge*]

wink, v.i. & t., & n. 1. Close & open eyes, blink, close & open (eyes or eye), (of eye) close & open, (like ~ing, sl., very quickly or vigorously); momentarily close one eye to awaken attention of or convey private intimation to person (usu. at person); (of light, star, etc.) twinkle, shine intermittently; ~ at, shut one's eyes to, purposely avoid seeing, affect not to notice, connive at, (abuse, transgression, etc.). 2. n. Act of ~ing, esp. as signal etc. (nod is as good as ~ to blind horse; tip one the ~, sl., give him signal

or intimation; *could not get a ~ of sleep; did not sleep a ~ all night; forty ~s, nap*. [OE *wincian* move sideways, cf. MDu. & G *winken* beckon; cogn. w. WINCE]

winkle (wing'kl), n., & v.t. 1. Edible sea snail, periwinkle. 2. v.t. ~ out, extract or eject (as a ~ from its shell with a pin). [abbr. PERIWINKLE², cf. WIG¹]

winn'ow (-ō), v.t. Fan (grain) free of chaff etc., fan (chaff etc.) away or out or from; sift, separate, clear of refuse or inferior specimens or falsehood, clear (refuse etc.) out or away, examine, sort, weed out; (poet.) fan (air with wings), flap (wings), stir (hair etc.). Hence ~ER¹ (1, 2) (-ōer) n. [OE *windrian* (WIND¹)]

win'some, a. (Of person or his appearance, manner, smile, etc.) charming, winning, attractive, engaging, bright. Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [OE *wynsum* (wynn joy, cogn. w. WIN, -SOME)]

win'ter, n., & v.i. & t. 1. Season between autumn & spring, three or four coldest months of year (in northern latitudes Nov. or Dec. to Jan. or Feb., or, Astron., from Dec. solstice to March equinox; *hard, mild*, ~, with, without, much frost); (attrib.) occurring, used, etc., in or lasting for the ~ (~ *apple, cough, solstice*, etc.; ~ sleep, hibernation; ~ quarters, esp. to which troops retire for ~; ~ garden, glass-covered space with plants etc. used as lounge). 2. (rhet., poet.). Year of life (*a man of 50 ~s*, 50 years old). 3. ~green, a genus of plants green through ~; ~lodge (Bot.), bud or bulb protecting plant's embryo through ~; ~tide (poet.), ~; hence ~LESS, ~LY², aa. 4. vb. Spend the ~ at, in, etc.; keep or feed (plants, cattle) during ~. [OE, Du., & G; perh. cogn. w. WET, WATER]

win'try, a. Having the temperature, storminess, or aspect appropriate to winter, cold, windy, cheerless, (~ *weather, day, sun, scene*); (of smile, greeting, etc.) lacking warmth or interest or vivacity. Hence ~INESS n. [-Y²]

wipe, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Clean or dry surface of by rubbing with cloth, paper, hand, etc. (~ *table, dish, face, hands*, etc.; ~ one's eyes, dry tears, cease weeping; ~ one's eye, sl., steal march on him, get advantage by anticipating him; ~ out bath or other hollow utensil; get rid of, clear away or off, take up, wash out, by wiping (~ *away* or ~ *your tears*; ~ up slops; ~ out stain, or fig. disgrace, insult, etc., esp. by vengeance); ~ out, utterly destroy, annihilate, (*their very name, the whole army, was ~d out*); ~ the floor with (sl.), inflict humiliating defeat or correction on (person); (sl.) take or aim sweeping blow or stroke at (~ *d at me with his stick*). 2. n. Act of wiping (*give this plate a ~*); (sl.) sweeping blow (*fetched or took a ~ at him; fetched him a ~*); (sl.) handkerchief. [OE *wipian*; cogn. w. WEIP]

wire, n., & v.t. & i. 1. (Piece of) metal drawn out into form of thread or slender round or square or tapelike flexible rod (*platinum, silver, copper*, etc., ~; *BARE¹ed, LIVE¹*, ~; *telegraph* etc. ~s; *private ~*, *telegraph ~* reserved for person's exclusive use; *was sent for, sent congratulations, by ~*, by telegraph; *pull the ~s*, control puppets by ~s or usu., fig., manage political party or movement by secret influence). 2. Telegraphic message (*sent me a ~*). 3. ~cloth, ~ gauze, *netting*, fabrics woven or twisted of ~; ~cutler, tool for cutting ~; ~dancer, person performing on stretched ~; ~draw, draw (metal) out into ~, (fig.) refine or apply or press (argument, point, etc.) with idle or excessive subtlety (esp. in p.p.); ~edge, false edge that turns back when blade is over-sharpened; ~entanglement, arrangement of barbed or other ~ set up to prevent rapid attack of enemy; ~gun, one made by coiling flat ~ round tube; ~haired, with stiff or wiry hair (esp. of dogs); ~heel, disease of horse's foot; ~puller, politician etc. who pulls the ~s; ~rope, made by twisting ~s together as strands; ~worm, kinds of destructive larva; ~wove, (of paper) = wove (WEAVE). 4. vb. Provide, fasten, etc., with ~(s); string (beads) on ~; snare (bird) with ~; (Electr.) install circuits for lighting in (a house etc.); (Croquet) obstruct (ball, shot, player) by ~ of hoop (chiefly pass.); telegraph (~ *me the result*; ~ *d to him; was ~d for*); || (sl.) ~ in, operate vigorously, put all one's force into some continuous effort. [OE *wir*, cf. ON *wirr*, L *wiere* to plait; cogn. w. WITHIN]

wire'less (wirl-), a., n., & v.i. & t. 1. Without wire(s), esp. in ~ TELEGRAPHY. 2. n. ~ telegraphy or telegram; || ~ receiving set or broadcast or programme, radio, (also attrib.). 3. vb. Send ~, send (message) or inform (person) by ~. [-LESS] **wir'ly**, a. Made of wire (poet.); tough & flexible as wire, (of persons) sinewy, untiring, whence ~LY² adv., ~INESS n. [-Y²]

|| **wis**, v.i. pres. 1st sing. (pseudo-arch.). I know well (parenth.). [supposed pres. of *wist* (wrr¹), obs. *wis* certainly, cf. G *gewiss*, being read as I *wis*]

wis'dom (-z), n. Being wise, (possession of) experience & knowledge together with the power of applying them critically or practically, sagacity, prudence, common sense; wise sayings (*pour forth ~*; ~ of Solomon, abbr. *Wisd.*, *W~ of Jesus the Son of Sirach* or *Ecclesiasticus*, books of Apocrypha); ~tooth, molar usu. cut after 20 years of age (*cut one's ~teeth*, gain discretion). [OE *wisdom* (WIS², -DOM)]

wise¹ (-z), a., & v.t. & i. 1. (Of persons) having, (of action, course, speech, opinion, etc.) dictated by or in harmony with

or showing, experience & knowledge judiciously applied, sagacious, prudent, sensible, discreet; having knowledge (~ *after the event*, of person who has failed to foresee; *came away none the wiser* or *as he went*, knowing no more than before; *where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wiser*); || (arch.) having occult power or knowledge of mysterious things (~ *man*, wizard; || ~ *woman*, witch, fortune-teller, also midwife); suggestive of wisdom, oracular, (*with a ~ shake of the head*; ~ *saw*, proverbial saying); *(sl.) be or get ~ to, be or become aware of; *(sl.) put one ~ (to), inform one (of), enlighten one (concerning); *(sl.) ~ *crack*, smart pithy remark (so ~ *crack* v.1.). 2. vb. ~ *up* (sl.), put or get ~. Hence ~LY² (-al) adv. [Aryan: OE *wis*, cf. Du. *wijs*, G *weis*; & see WIT¹]

wise¹ (-z), n. Way, manner, guise, (*in solemn* etc. ~, arch.; esp. *in some, no, any, ~, on this ~*). [OE *wise* (*wisian* show way, orig. make wise, see prec.), cf. Du. *wijze*, G *weise*]

-**wise** (-z), suf. = prec., forming advv. of manner as in *clock~* with motion in direction of clock hands, *cross~* with cross arrangement, *length~* with length arranged in given direction, with regard to length, *no~* in no way, not at all.

wise-acre (-zaker), n. Sententious dullard. [corrupt. of MDu. *wijsegger*, itself corrupt. (as if = wise sayer) of MHG *wizago* (= OE *wisga*) seer, cogn. w. WIT¹]

wish, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Have as a desire or aspiration (*that*-clause with *that* usu. omitted, or obj. & compl.; ~ *I had never been born, were or was a bird, may live to see it*; ~ *you would be quiet*; *it is to be ~ed that*, is desirable that; *I ~ it may not prove*, fear it will; *could not ~ it better*; ~ oneself *dead, home, at home*, etc.; ~ person *happy, away*; ~ one *at the devil or further*, ~ he were away). 2. Want with the kind of desire that tends to affect result (*to do*, person or thing *to do*, person or thing *-ed*, or rarely with simple obj. esp. pronoun; *I ~ to go, you to do it, it finished or to be finished*; *what do you ~?*; *they say they ~ peace, an interview*). 3. Be well or ill inclined to or to (~ *es me well, well to all men, ~es nobody ill*), whence (-)~**ER**¹ n. 4. Say one hopes for (joy, luck, pleasant journey, sorrow, etc.) in person's favour or against him (ind. obj. or to; *I ~ you joy, ~ success to each & all*); ~ person *joy of*, (iron.) hope he will enjoy; express desire for (*has nothing left to ~ for; would not ~ for anything better*). 5. ~ing-bone, merrythought (longer part of it when broken between two persons entitling holder to magic fulfilment of any ~); ~ing-cap, magic cap securing to wearer fulfilment of any ~. 6. n. (Expression of) desire or aspiration, request, implied command, (~ *is father to*

thought, we believe thing because we ~ it true; *if ~es were horses beggars might ride*; *has a great ~ to go to sea*, whence ~FUL a., desirous (to do); ~ful *thinking*, belief founded on ~es rather than facts); good ~es, hopes felt or expressed for another's happiness etc.; cannot grant your ~; he disregarded or disobeyed my ~es); thing desired (*have got my ~*). [n. f. vb, OE *wiscan*, cf. Du. *wenschen*, G *wünschen*; cogn. w. WINsome, WEEN]

wish²-wash (-ōsh), n. Washy drink or talk. [redupl. of WASH²]

wish'y-wash'y (-wō-), a. Thin, sloppy, (of soup, tea, talk, etc.). [redupl. of WASHY]

wisp, n. 1. Small bundle or twist of straw etc. 2. Flock (of snipe). [f. 14th c., etym. dub.]

wist. See WIT¹.

wistār'ia, n. Kinds of pale-purple-flowered climbing plant. [C. *Wistaria*, American anatomist, -ia¹]

wist'ful, a. Affected with or betraying vague yearnings or unsatisfied desire to understand (of persons or usu. of eyes, look, voice, mood, etc.). Hence ~LY² adv., ~NESS n. [perh. assim. of obs. *wistly* adv. intently (cf. WHIST¹, ²) to wishful, w. corresp. change of sense]

wit¹, v.t. & i. (arch.; pres. *I, he, wot, thou wottest*; past *wist*; inf. ~; part. ~ing; other parts not used). Know (*God wot, knows; I wot, know well; to ~*, that is to say, namely; ~ing, not unconscious or unintentional, whence ~t'ingLY² adv.). [Aryan: OE *witan*, cf. Du. *weten*, G *wissen*; cogn. w. L *vidēre* see, Gk *eidon* I saw, *oida* know, Skr. *veda* knowledge]

wit², n. 1. (Sing. or pl.) intelligence, understanding, (*has not the ~, the ~s, ~ enough, to see; remedy is past the ~ of man to devise*; out of one's ~s, mad, distracted; *has his ~s about him*, is observant or of lively intelligence; *has quick, slow, etc., ~s, a nimble ~*, whence (-)~**TEN**³ a.; at one's ~s end, utterly at a loss; *live by one's ~s*, by ingenious hand-to-mouth shifts; *the five ~s*, arch., the senses or the mind), whence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY² adv., ~LESSNESS n. 2. (Power of giving sudden intellectual pleasure by) unexpected combining or contrasting of previously unconnected ideas or expressions (*possessed of both ~ & HUMOUR; pages sparkling with ~*), whence ~t'y² a., ~t'ily² adv., ~t'INESS n. [OE, = understanding (*witan* WIT¹)]

wit³, n. Wise man (arch.); witty person (see prec.), person who talks wittily, whence ~LING¹(2) n. [uses of prec.; 1st sense f. 16th, 2nd f. 17th, c.]

witch, n., & v.t. 1. Woman or (now rarely) man practising sorcery (*white ~*, using powers for beneficent purposes only; ~es' SABBATH), (fig.) fascinating or be-

witching woman; ugly old woman, hag; (local) flat-fish resembling the lemon sole. 2. ~craft, sorcery, use of magic; ~doctor, = MEDICINE¹-man; ~hunt, (fig.) search for suspected Communists, spies, etc.; ~meal, pollen of CLUB¹-moss. 3. v.t. Bewitch (the ~ing time of night, Ham. III. II. 406, time when ~es are active, midnight), esp. fig., fascinate, charm, whence ~ERY(4, 5) n., ~ING² a., ~ingly¹ adv. [OE *wicca* masc., *wicca* fem. (wiccan practiso sorcery, etym. dub.); the mod. vb prob. aphetic f. *beuritch*]

witch-. See WYCH-.

wit'enagēmōt' (-g-), n. (hist.). Anglo-Saxon national council or parliament. [OE *witena* gen. pl. of *wita* wise man, *gemōt* meeting]

with (-dh, -th), prep. 1. In antagonism to, against, (fight, quarrel, struggle, dispute, argue, compete, vie, ~). 2. In or into company of or relation to, among, beside, (come, go, walk, eat, live, spend the day, mix t. & l., meet, ~; king is expected ~ or together ~ queen & court; numbered ~ the transgressors; compare ~; have nothing to do ~; deal ~; ~ God, dead & in heaven; have ~ you, arch., I accept your offer or challenge; so done ~ you). 3. Agreeably or in harmonious relations to (I feel, think, sympathize, ~ you; also with neg. wds in opp. sense, as I disagree ~ you; he that is not ~ me is against me; vote ~ the Liberals; blue does not go ~ green; one ~, part of same whole as). 4. Having, carrying, possessed of, characterized by, (vase ~ handles, man ~ sinister expression; walking ~ a gun; went out ~ no hat on; ~ child or young, pregnant). 5. In the care or charge or possession of (have no money ~ me; leave child, parcel, ~ nurse, porter; it rests ~ you to decide; the deal, decanter, next move, is ~ you). 6. By use of as instrument or means (cut it ~ a knife; have no pen to write ~; walks ~ a crutch; damn ~ faint praise). 7. By addition or supply or acquisition or possession of as material (fill it, overflowing, ~ water; laden ~ baggage; blessed ~ beauty; adorn ~ frescoes). 8. In same way or direction or degree or at the same time as (changes ~ the seasons; varies directly or inversely. increases, ~; rise ~ the sun; ~ that thereupon, simultaneously; begin ~, take as starting-point). 9. Because or by operation of, owing to, (trembles ~ fear; is down ~ fever; stiff, silent, ~ cold, shame). 10. Displaying or so as to display, under favourable or unfavourable circumstances of, (heard it ~ calmness; fought ~ courage; won ~ ease, difficulty, a good deal to spare; shot well ~ a good, wretched, light). 11. In regard to, concerning, in the sphere of, in the mind or view of, (be patient ~ him; bear, do, or put up, ~, tolerate, be indulgent to; my dealings ~ the natives; what do you want ~ me?.

away, down, up, to the devil, etc., ~ him, take or send or put him, he may go, away etc.; can do anything, nothing, ~ him, influence or utilize him in any, no, direction; ~ God all things are possible; is it well ~ thee?; it is holiday time ~ us; the first object ~ him is; has great influence ~ the House). 12. So as to be separated from (part, break, dispense, ~). 13. Despite, notwithstanding, the presence of (~ all his learning, he is the simplest of men; ~ many admirable qualities, the best of intentions, he failed completely). [OE, shortened f. *withher* against, cf. G *wider* against, ON *viðh*, Da. *ved*, Sw. *vid*; the senses of obs. *mid* with have passed to it]

withal' (-dhawl), adv. & prep. (arch.). 1. With it, in addition, moreover, as well, at the same time. 2. prep. (always after its expressed or omitted obj.). With (what shall he fill his belly ~?). [prec., ALL]

withdraw' (-dh-), v.t. & l. Pull aside or back (~ curtain, one's hand); take away, remove, (boy from school, coins from circulation, horse from race, troops from position, favour etc. from person); retract (offer, statement, promise; cries of '~', demands that speaker shall unsay something as unparliamentary etc.); retire from presence or place, go aside or apart; || ~ing-room (arch.), DRAWING-ROOM. Hence ~AL(2) n. [with in obs. sense towards (oneself, & so away from others), DRAW¹]

with'e (-dhl, or with), with'y (-dhl), n. (pl. -thes pr. -dhiz, or -ths). Tough flexible branch esp. of willow or osier used for binding bundles etc. [OE *withthe*, *withig*, cf. MDu. *wisse*, G *weide*, willow; cogn. w. Gk *itea* willow, L *vimen* twig, *vitis* vine]

with'er (-dh-), v.t. & l. Make or become dry & shrivelled (often up), deprive of or lose vigour or vitality or freshness or importance (often away), decline, languish, decay, (has a ~ed arm; flowers & beauty ~; age cannot ~ her; the individual ~s, ceases to be important); blight with scorn etc. (~ one with a look usw. joc.), whence ~ING² a., ~ingly¹ adv. [ME *widren* expose to WEATHER¹]

with'ers (-dherz), n. pl. Ridge between horse's shoulder-blades (my ~ are unwring, imputation etc. does not touch me). [named as the part that resists or takes strain of collar f. OE *withher* against, see WITH]

with'ershins (-dherzhinz), widd'er-, adv. (Sc.). In a direction contrary to apparent course of sun (considered as unlucky), counter-clockwise. [f. MLG *weddersins* (MHG *wider* against, *sin* direction)]

withhold' (-dh-h-), v.t. (-held). Refrain from putting in action, refuse to grant, (~ one's hand, arch. for hold, not take action; ~ one's consent, support, the night

of one's countenance, etc.). [WITH as in WITHEDRAW, HOLD]

within' (-dh-), adv., n., & prep. 1. Inside, to or at or on the inside, indoors, internally, (chiefly arch.; *clean ~ & without; go ~, into house or room; stay ~, not go out of doors; is Mr Jones ~?, at home; beauty without & foulness ~; make me pure ~, in spirit; Bishopsgate ~, inside the walls*). 2. n. The inside (*as seen from ~*). 3. prep. To or on or in the inside of, enclosed by, (*~ doors, in or into house; safe ~ the walls; WHEEL's ~ wheels*); not beyond, not too far for, not transgressing, so as not to pass or exceed, subject to, (*live, keep, ~ one's income; ~ the meaning of the Act etc., covered by it; immorality ~ the law, not illegal; keep it ~ bounds; a task well ~ his powers; running ~ himself, without putting forth whole power; is true ~ limits*); not too far for, near enough to affect or be affected by, not farther off than (of with sense from, or abs.), (*is ~ reach, eight, call, near enough to reach or be reached etc.; often of, as ~ sight of port; is ~ three miles of a station; was ~ an age of destruction*); in a time no longer than, before expiration or since beginning of, (of with sense from, or abs.; *shall have it ~ an hour; ~ a year of his death, ~ a year, all was changed; have seen him ~ these three days*). [OE *withinnan* on the inside (WITH, *innan* adv. in)]

without' (-dh-), adv., n., prep., & conj. 1. Outside, to or at or on the outside, out-of-doors, externally, (chiefly arch.; *while within & ~; stands disconsolate ~, outside the house etc.; listening to the wind ~*). 2. n. The outside, external sources, (*as seen from ~; the suggestion came from ~*). 3. prep. Outside of (*met us ~ the gates; negotiations within & ~ the House; is ~ the pale of civilization; things ~ us, all that is not ourselves*); not having, not with, with no, devoid of, lacking, in want of, free from, with freedom from, not feeling or showing, in or with absence of, less, (*came ~ a hat; a rose ~ a thorn; am ~ friends or money; did it ~ difficultly or being discovered; act ~ hesitation; cannot see ~ her, go away ~ thanking you; is absolutely ~ fear, anxiety; cannot make ONELEAF ~ breaking eggs; ~ health happiness is impossible; do, go, ~, dispense with, also ellipt. dispense with something implied; COLD ~; ~ doubt, admittedly, certainly; ~ FAIL', PREJUDICE, RESERVE'; ~ end, infinite, eternal; goes ~ saying, is too well known or obvious to need mention*). 4. conj. (arch., vulg.). Unless. [OE *withutan* (WITH, *utan* adv. out)]

withstand' (-dh-), v.t. & i. (-stood). Resist, oppose, (person, force, hardship, wear, etc.); make opposition (poet.). [OE *withstandan* (WITN, STAND)]

withy. See WITN.

wit'ness, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Testimony, evidence, (*bear ~ to or of, state one's belief in, state facts tending to establish, thing stated by way of evidence (my ~ is not true; arch.), confirmation (stands there in ~ of the event; call to ~, appeal to for confirmation)*); thing or person whose existence, position, state, etc., serves as testimony to or proof of (*is a living ~ to my clemency*); (also EYE-) spectator of incident, bystander, person present at event; person giving sworn testimony in lawcourt or for legal purpose (often used for *the ~*); person attesting genuineness of signature to document by adding his signature; || ~-box, enclosure in lawcourt reserved for ~es. 2. vb. State in evidence (noun, *that, etc.*; arch.); give evidence (*against, for*), serve as evidence (usu. *against, for, to; ~ or as ~ my poverty*, of which let my poverty be the proof); be a or the ~ (arch.; ~ Heaven!, I call Heaven to ~); indicate, serve as evidence of, (*a deathly pallor ~ed his agitation*); see, be spectator of; sign (document) as ~. [OE *witnes* (WIT', -NESS)]

witt'icism, n. Witty remark, jest, (usu. in disparaging sense). [coined by Dryden f. WIT'ly, after *criticism*]

wittingly. See WIT'.

|| **witt'ol**, n. (arch.). Man who winks at wife's infidelity, acquiescent cuckold. [ME *wetewold*, prob. formed by substitution of WIT' for first syllable of *cokewold* CUCKOLD]

wive, v.t. & i. (now rare). Provide with, take, wife. [OE *wifian* (WIFE)]

wiv'ern, wŷv-, n. (her.). Winged two-legged dragon with barbed tail. [f. OF *wivre*, *wivre*, f. L *VIPERA*; for -n, cf. BITTERN]

wives. See WIFE.

wiz'ard, n. & a. 1. Magician, sorcerer, male witch; person who effects seeming impossibilities; conjurer; the W~ of the North, Sir Walter Scott. 2. adj. (sl.). Wonderful. Hence ~RY(4, 5) n. [ME *wisard* (WIS', -ARD)]

wiz'ened (-nd), **wiz'en**, **weaz'en**, a. Of shrivelled or dried-up appearance (chiefly of person or his face or look). [f. OE *wisnian* become dry, cf. ON *wisna* wither (*visinn* withered)]

wizier. See WIZIR.

wō, **whoa** (wō'a), int. Stop (chiefly to horses); **eww-wo**; **wo-back'**, int. used in backing horses.

woad, n., & v.t. 1. (Plant yielding) kind of blue dye. 2. v.t. Dye with ~. [OE *wōd*, cf. Du. *weede*, G *wald*]

wōb'ble, **wa'bble** (wō-), v.i., & n. 1. (Of top or revolving body) revolve with changing inclinations, rock; (of person, missile, etc.) go unsteadily, vibrate from side to side, swerve, stagger; (fig.) vacillate, waver, act inconsistently, be incon-

stant, whence wöbb'lan' n.; (of voice or sound) quaver, pulsate. 2. n. Rocking movement, change of direction or polioy, swerve, piece of vacillation. [wa-, now rare, is the earlier form; cf. MHG wablen move restlessly, ON *vafra* waver, cogn. W. *wave*¹]

wœ, n. (chiefly poet. or joc.). Affliction, bitter grief, distress, (weal & ~, prosperity & adversity; ~ is me, alas; ~ be to, a curse upon; ~ worth² the day); (pl.) calamities, troubles; ~begone (-awn, -ön), dismal-looking [p.p. of OE *begin* (BY, GO) surround]. Hence ~FUL (wöf-) a., ~'fully² adv., (often joc., as ~ful ignorance, ~fully disappointed). [Aryan: OE *wd* int., orig. cry of pain, cf. Du. *wee*, G *weh*, intt. & nn., L *vae* int.]

woke. See WAKE¹.

wöld, n. Piece of open uncultivated country, down or moor land. [com.-Teut.: OE *weald*, *wald*, forest, cf. G *wald*, Du. *woud*; cf. WEALD]

wolf (wöf-), n. (pl. -ves), & v.t. 1. Erect-eared straight-tailed harsh-furred tawny-grey wild gregarious carnivorous quadruped allied to dog preying on sheep etc. or combining in packs to hunt larger animals (*cry ~ too often*, raise false alarms till genuine ones are disregarded; *have, hold, ~ by the ears*, be in situation where one can neither retreat, advance, nor stop; *keep ~ from door*, avert starvation; ~ *in sheep's clothing*, hypocrite). 2. Rapacious or greedy person, whence ~ISH¹ a., ~'ishly¹ adv., ~'ishness n., (wöf-). 3. (mus.). Jarring sound from some notes in a bowed instrument; out-of-tune effect when playing in extreme keys on old organs (before present 'equal temperament' was in use). 4. ~cub, young ~, || junior boy scout; ~-dog, kinds of dog kept to guard sheep from wolves, also dog- & ~ hybrid; ~-fish, large voracious kind; ~hound, Russian breed of dog, (also) Alsatian breed popular in U.K.; ~s-bane, monk's-hood, aconite; ~s-claws, -foot, club-moss; || ~s-fist, puff-ball [OE *fist* fart]; ~skin, (mat, cloak, etc., made of) ~s skin; ~s-milk, kind of spurge; ~ spider, tarantula, also kinds that chase instead of netting prey; ~tooth, supernumerary pre-molar in horse. 5. v.t. Devour or swallow greedily (often down). [Aryan: OE *wolf*, cf. Du. & G *wolf*, Gk *lukos*, L *lupus*, Skr. *vṛkas*]

wö'lf'ram (wöf-), n. (Also ~ite) ore yielding tungsten, native tungstate of iron & manganese; (now usu. for tungsten. [G. perh. f. *wolf* + *ra(h)m* cream, or MHG *rām* dirt, soot])

wö'lv'ere (wöf-), -ine (-ën), n. American carnivorous mammal called also *glutton* & *carcajou*. (Irreg. dim. of WOLF, perh. after MHG *wölfelin*)

wolves. See WOLF.

wö'man (wöf-), n. (pl. women pr. wim'in),

cf. *ant.* 1. Adult human female (*every ~ is to him a lady*; ~s or women's rights, position of legal equality with men demanded for women; *there's a ~ in it*, way of accounting for man's inexplicable conduct; ~ *with a past*, with some scandal attaching to her past life; ~ *of the world*, experienced in society, not raw & innocent; *play the ~*, weep or show fear; *make an honest ~ of*, marry after seducing; *tied to ~s apron-strings*, controlled like child by her; *single ~*, spinster; the SCARLET ~; WISE¹ ~). 2. (Without article) the average or typical ~, the female sex, any ~, (*how does ~ differ from man?*; *man born of ~*, mortal man; *is an excellent thing in ~*; ~s wit, instinctive insight or resource; ~s REASON¹; O W~, in apostrophes). 3. Queen's or great lady's female attendant, lady in waiting, (arch.; *sent one of her women to ask*). 4. Man with feminine characteristics (*is a ~ in tenderness*; *the old women in the Cabinet*; *all the old women of both sexes*). 5. The feminine emotions (*all the ~ in her rose in rebellion*; *stirred the ~ in him*; *has much of the ~ in his composition*). 6. attrib. Female (~ doctor, friend, counsellor, councillor; ~ suffrage, extension or possession of political suffrage to or by women). 7. (As suf.; chiefly in terms correl. to compounds in -man) ~ concerned or dealing or skilful with (country~, shop~, horse~, church~, chair~, ferry~, apple~, needle~, etc.; also by close comb. with adj., as *gentle~*). 8. ~-hater, misogynist; ~kind, women (one's ~kind, *wo'mankind*, the women of one's family); *wo'menfolk*, women, one's ~kind; hence ~HOOD n. (= female maturity, womanly instincts, ~kind), ~LESS, ~LIKE, aa. 9. v.t. Make behave like a ~, cause to weep etc.; address as '~', 'my good ~', etc., speak of as '~' (not 'lady'). [OE *wifman* (WIFE, MAN) i.e. woman person]

wö'manish (wöf-), a. (Of man or his feelings, conduct, looks, etc.) like woman or their ways etc. (usu. derog.), effeminate. Hence ~LY¹ adv., ~NESS n. [-ISH¹]

wö'manize (wöf-), v.t. & i. Make womanish; (of men) be licentious, frequent prostitutes. [-IZE]

wö'manl'y (wöf-), a. (Of woman or her feelings, conduct, etc.) having or showing the qualities befitting a woman, not masculine or girlish, (*a truly ~y woman*; ~y modesty, compassion, tact, etc.). Hence ~INESS n. [-LY¹]

wömb (wöbm), n. Organ in woman & other female mammals in which child or young is conceived & nourished till birth, uterus, (*falling of the ~*, PROLAPSE; *swell of the ~*, children; also fig., as *in the ~ of time*, of future events etc.), [com.-Teut.: OE *womb*, *womb*, belly, cf. Du. *wom*, G *wamme*]

wōm'bāt, n. Australian marsupial mammal about size of badger. [*f. native wom-back, -at*]

women. See **WOMAN**.

won. See **WIN**.

wonder¹ (wū-), n. 1. Miracle, prodigy, strange or remarkable thing or specimen or performance or event, (*signs & ~s*, miracles; *work ~s*, do miracles, succeed remarkably; whence *~worker¹* n.; *the child is a ~*, marvellously precocious etc.; *did ~s*, had remarkable success; *seven ~s of the world*, sights, of which one was the pyramids, so called in antiquity; a *nine-days' ~*, event of passing interest; *for a ~*, esp. by way of welcome exception, as *you are punctual for a ~*; *what ~*, it is no ~, no ~, *that*, naturally, inevitably, of course, one cannot be surprised or might have guessed that, *that* usu. omitted; so *he refused, & no ~*; *is a ~ of delicate workmanship*). 2. Emotion excited by what surpasses expectation or experience or seems inexplicable, surprise mingled with admiration or curiosity or bewilderment, (*were filled with ~*; *looked at him in silent or openmouthed ~*). 3. ~land, fairyland, a country of surprising fertility etc.; ~struck, ~stricken, filled or dumb with ~. [OE *wundor* portent, cf. Du. *wonder*, G *wunder*, etym. dub.]

wonder² (wū-), v.i. & t. Be filled with wonder, feel surprise, (usu. *at*, rarely to see etc., or abs.; *shall never cease to ~ at it*; *can you ~ at it?*; *I ~ at you to child etc.*, am shocked by your conduct; ~ed to hear your voice; *the kind of person that never ~s*), whence ~ingly² adv., ~ment n., (wū-); be surprised to find that (*that* usu. omitted; *I ~ he didn't kill you*); be curious, desire, to know (~ *why pain exists, who invented gas-lamps, what the time is, how to proceed*, etc.). [OE *wundrian* (prec.)]

wonderful (wū-), a. Marvellous, surprising, exceeding what was expected, remarkable, admirable. Hence ~ly² adv. [-FUL]

wondrous (wū-), a. & adv. (poet., rhet.). 1. Wonderful; hence ~ly² adv., ~ness n. 2. adv. (qualifying adj. only). Wonderfully (~ *kind* etc.). [corrupt. on -ous of obs. *wonders* (genit. of *wonder* n. used as adj. & adv.) wondrous(ly)]

|| **wōnk'ŷ**, a. (sl.). Shaky, groggy; unreliable. [etym. dub., but cf. G *wanken* totter]

wont¹ (wō-, wū-), pred. a. Accustomed to do (usu. *after is, was, are, etc.*; as *he was ~ to say*). [OE *gewunod* p.p. of *gewunian* (wuntan dwell, cf. G *wohnen*), ME *woned* p.p. of *wonen*]

wont² (wō-, wū-), v. aux. (poet.; pres. ind., ~, ~est, ~s or ~, pl. ~ or ~; past ind., ~, ~est, ~, pl. ~ or ~ed for ~). Be accustomed (usu. to do). [prop. past, ~woned, of ME *wonen* see prec.]

wont³ (wō-, wū-), n. What is customary

in general or habitual to a person (*use & ~*, established custom; *according to his ~*; *it is my ~ to*). [perh. a use of the p.p., see **WONT¹**]

won't. See **WILL¹**.

wont⁴ (wō-, wū-), attrib. a. Habitual to person, (rarely) usual, (*heard me with his ~ courtesy*; *met with the ~ obstacles*). [*f. wont = woned* p.p. see **WONT¹** w. erron. addition of -ED¹]

wōō, v.t. (rhet.). Ask in marriage, pay amorous tract to, ask the love of, whence ~er¹ n.; pursue, seek to win, (name, fortune, etc.); (abs.) go courting, (induct oneself as ~er; coax, importune, try to persuade, (person usu. to do or to compliance etc.). Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [ME *wowen*, cf. OE *duogan*, etym. dub.]

wōō'but, ou'bit (ōō-), n. = WOOLLY-bear. [ME *wolbode* (WOOL, perh. + OE *budda* beetle)]

wōōd, n. 1. Growing trees occupying considerable tract of ground, forest, (also pl. in same sense, as *came upon a clearing in the ~s*; *cannot see ~ for trees*, details impede general view; *don't halloo till you are out of the ~*, assume too soon that difficulties are over), whence (-)~ed² a. 2. Fibrous substance between pith & bark of tree, whether growing or cut for timber or fuel. 3. The cask or unbottled storage of wine etc. (*in, from, the ~*). 4. (mus.). (Also ~wind) the wooden wind-instruments of a band etc. 5. (Bowls) a bowl² (first sense); (Golf) a wooden club. 6. ~agate, showing grain of ~; ~anemone, the wild flowering ANEMONE; ~bine or ~bind, wild honeysuckle; ~block, die usu. of box~ from which ~cuts are taken; ~cock, kinds of game bird related to snipe; ~craft, knowledge of forest conditions esp. as applied in hunting etc.; ~cut, (print, usu. as illustration in book or newspaper, taken from) engraving made on ~; ~cutter, man who cuts ~, engraver of ~cuts; ~engraver, maker of ~cuts, kinds of boring insect; ~fibre, fibre got from ~ esp. as material for paper; ~gas, carburetted hydrogen got from ~; ~ibis, kind of N.-Amer. stork; ~land, ~ed country, ~s, (often attrib., as ~land scenery; the ~land choir, birds); ~leopard, kind of moth; ~louse, kinds of small land crustacean & wingless many-legged insect; || ~man, forester, ~cutter; ~notes, spontaneous poetry; ~nymph, dryad, kinds of humming-bird & moth; ~opal, silicified ~; ~paper, made of ~pulp; ~pavement, wooden blocks used as paving of road; ~pecker, kinds of bird that cling to tree-stems & tap them to discover insects; ~pte, great spotted ~pecker; ~pigeon, ringdove; ~pulp, ~fibre reduced to pulp as material for paper; ~ruff, kinds of plant, sweet ~ruff grown esp. for fragrance of leaves when dried or crushed; ~s'man, dweller in or

frequenter of ~s; ~ *sorrel*, kinds of acid-juiced plant; ~ *spirit*, crude methyl alcohol got from ~; ~ *tar*, got from ~; ~ *warbler*, kinds of bird; ~ *wasps*, kinds that hang nest in tree or burrow in rotten ~; ~ *wool*, fine pine shavings used as surgical dressing or for packing; ~ *work*, things made of ~, esp. the wooden part of a house etc. Hence ~ *LESS* a. [OE *wudu*, cf. ON *vitr*, OHG *witu*, also Gael. *fiodh*, W *gufid*]

wood'chuck, n. Kind of N.-Amer. mammot. [corrupt. of Amer.-Ind. *wejack*]

wood'en, a. Made of wood (~ *head*, stupidity, whence ~-*headed* a., ~-*head'edness* (-hōd-) n.; ~ *horse*, by use of which Troy was taken; ~ *spoon*; ~ *walls*, warships; stiff, clumsy, without animation, inexpressive, (~ *motions*, *manners*, *stare*, *face*, etc.), whence ~ *LY*² adv., ~ *NESS* n. [-EN¹]

wood'y, a. (Of region) abounding in woods, well-wooded; of the nature, consisting, of wood (the ~y *parts* of a plant; ~y *stem*, *tissue*); (rare) found in woods (~y *NIGHTSHADE*). Hence ~ *INESS* n. [-Y¹]

wool, n. = *WERT*¹. [ME *oof* f. OE *ōwef* (A-1, *wef* = *WEB*) = that which is woven on (to the warp); cf. *ABB*]

wool, n. 1. Kind of hair distinguished by fineness & wavy structure & scaly surface forming fleece of sheep, goat, alpaca, etc., & occurring mixed with ordinary hair in coat of some other animals (*carding* or *short*, *combing* or *long*, ~, less, more, than 4 in. long & prepared by different processes for spinning; *died* in the ~, dyed before spinning or weaving, (fig.) thorough-going, out-&-out; *much cry & little ~*, disappointing result, fiasco; *go for ~ & come home shorn*, have tables turned on one), whence ~ *ED*² (-ld) a. 2. Woollen yarn, worsted, (*spent* an hour *watching ~*; *Berlin ~*, fine dyed ~ for knitting etc.); woollen garments or cloth (*safest to wear ~*). 3. Soft short under-fur or down. 4. Negro's hair, (joc.) any person's hair (*lose one's ~*, sl., show anger). 5. Kinds of ~-like substance (COTTON¹ ~; LEAD¹ ~; *mineral ~*, made from molten slag subjected to strong blast & used for packing walls etc.). 6. ~ *ball*, esp. lump of concreted ~ occas. formed in stomach of sheep etc.; ~ *carding*, *combing*, processes by which short, long, ~ is prepared for spinning; ~ *died*, dyed in the ~, see above; ~ *fat*, -*oil*, lanolin; ~ *fell*, skin of sheep etc. with fleece still on; ~ *gathering*, absent-minded(ness), inattentive (mood); || ~ *hall*, ~ *merchants' exchange* or market; ~ *pack*, (formerly) 240-lb. bale of ~, also fleecy cloud; || ~ *sack*, ~-stuffed cushion on which Lord Chancellor sits in House of Lords (*reach etc. the ~sack*, become Lord Chancellor; *take seat on the ~sack*, open proceedings in House of Lords); ~ *sorters' disposes*, an-

thrax; ~ *stapler*, one who grades producer's ~ & sells to manufacturer; ~ *work*, embroidery with Berlin ~s imitating tapestry. [Aryan: OE *wūl*, cf. Du. *wol*, G *wolle*; cogn. w. Skr. *dr̥ṣṭ*, Gk *lénos*, L *lana* & *vellus* fleece]

wool'en, a. & n. 1. Made of wool. 2. n. ~ *fabrie*, as blanket, flannel, cloth; ~ *draper*, retailer of ~s; hence ~ *ETTE*² (2) n. [-EN¹]

wool'y, a. & n. 1. Bearing or naturally covered with wool or wool-like hair (the ~ *flock*; ~ *bear*, kinds of hairy caterpillar; a ~ *puppy*, *head*); resembling or suggesting wool (~ *hair*, *clouds*; ~ *voice*, husky); (Paint.) lacking in definition or luminosity or incisiveness (~ *texture*, *style*, etc.); (fig., of the mind) confused & hazy; (Bot.) downy, pubescent. 2. n. Woollen garment, esp. sweater. Hence **wool'iness** n. [-Y¹]

Wool'wich (-li), n. (Used for) ~ Arsenal with magazines for naval & military stores; (formerly used for) the Royal Military Academy, ~, for cadets of Royal Engineers & Artillery; ~ *infant* (name given to a 19th-c. pattern of exceptionally heavy gun). (~ in Kent)

woora'li (-ah-), **woora'a**. = *CURARE*.

wop¹. See *WHOP*.

***Wop**², n. (sl.). Mid- or South-European (esp. Italian) immigrant in U.S. (cf. *DAGO*, *SQUAREHEAD*). [?]

word¹ (*wērd*), n. 1. Any sound or combination of sounds (or its written or printed symbol) recognized as a *PART*¹ of speech, conveying an idea or alternative ideas, & capable of serving as a member of, the whole of, or a substitute for, a sentence (coin, *play upon*, *torture*, ~s; *is not the ~ for it*, not an adequate description; *have no ~s to express my gratitude* etc.; *takes ~s for things*; ~s are the wise man's counters & the fool's money; in a or one ~, briefly, to sum up; *translate or repeat ~ for ~*, literally or verbatim). 2. Speech (*honest in ~ & deed*; *bold in ~ only*; *by ~ of mouth*, orally). 3. Thing said, saying, remark, conversation, (usu. in pl.; *take one at his ~*, act on assumption that he means what he says; *fair or good ~s*, complimentary, conciliatory, flattering, etc.; *high, hard, warm, hot, sharp*, etc., ~s, angry talk; *big ~s*, boasting, bluff; *burning ~s*, enthusiastic, inspiring, excited, etc.; *wild & whirling ~s*, not well weighed; *hard ~s break no bones*, *fine ~s butter no parsnips*, ~s are but wind, depreciations of talk as compared with action; so ~s or things, ~s & deeds; *HOUSEHOLD ~*; *have ~s with*, quarrel with; *they had ~s*, quarrelled; *have a ~ with*, converse briefly with; so a ~ *with you* as demand for interview; *suit the action to the ~*, do at once what one has threatened etc.; *on or with the ~*, as soon as something has been said; a ~ & a blow,

impetuous person's procedure; *proceed from ~s to blows*; waste ~s, talk vainly; a ~ in, out of, season, well, ill, timed advice or interference; *have the last ~*, not let opponent in altercation speak last; *the last ~* on a subject, pronouncement including latest views & likely to be definitive; a *truer ~ was never spoken*; *have a ~ to say*, something worth hearing; *man of few ~s*, taciturn; *hasn't a ~ to throw at a dog*, is unsociably or superciliously taciturn; *say a good ~ for*, commend, defend; *give person one's good ~*, recommend him for post etc.; *eat one's ~s*, retract, apologize under compulsion; ~ of command, ~ or phrase giving direction esp. to soldiers being drilled; a ~ to the wise, transl. of VERBUM SAPIENTI; *God's W~*, the scriptures; so *the W~ of God*, & see below). 4. News, intelligence, a message, (*send ~ of*; *send ~*; ~ *came that or of*). 5. One's promise, assurance, or responsible statement (*give person, give, pledge, pass, one's ~*, make promise or rarely statement; *keep, break, one's ~*; *I give you my ~ for it*, promise it shall be or state that it is so; so ellipt. *my ~ upon it*; *upon my ~*, on my honour, also as excl. at something that shocks; ~ of honour, promise or statement made upon one's HONOUR¹; *a man of his ~*, a promise-keeper; *be as good as one's ~*, fulfil or exceed what one has promised; *his ~ is as good as his bond*, may be relied on). 6. Command, order, password, motto, (*his ~ is law*; *give the ~ to do or for*; *act promptly at the ~*; *must give the ~ before you can pass*; *sharp's the ~*, exhortation to hurry). 7. *The W~ (of God)*, Christ as mediator or manifestation of God to man. 8. ~blind, -deaf, incapacitated by kinds of brain trouble from attaching meaning to ~s seen or heard; ~book, vocabulary; ~painter, -painting, graphic or picturesque writer, writing; ~perfect, knowing part, piece, etc., by heart; ~picture, piece of ~painting; ~play, verbal fencing, also play on ~s, pun, etc.; ~splitter, -splitting, (maker of) oversubtle verbal distinctions; ~square, set of ~s so chosen that when they are written under each other the letters read downward in columns give same ~s, e.g. *rat, ado, too*. Hence ~LESS a. [cf. *Dn. woord, G wort*; cogn. w. L VERBUM, Gk *éirō* speak].

word¹ (wɜːd), v.t. Put into words, phrase, select words to express. Hence ~ING¹ n. [f. prec.]

wordy (dɪj (wɜːr)), a. Verbose, given to or expressed in many words, diffuse; in, consisting of, words (~y warfare). Hence ~ILY¹ adv., ~INESS n. {-r¹}

wort. See **WEAR**¹.

work¹ (wɜːk), n. 1. Expenditure of energy, striving, application of effort to some purpose, (*set to ~*, begin or make

begin operations; *has got to, is at, ~ at last*; *all ~ & no play*; *never does a stroke of ~*; *never liked, will do no, ~*); (Physics) exertion of force in overcoming resistance or producing molecular change (*convert heat into ~*; *unit of ~*, lifting of 1 lb. for 1 ft; *internal ~*, exerted on molecules of a body). 2. Task (to be) undertaken, materials (to be) used in task, (*the ~ of converting the heathen*; *have one's ~ cut out for one*, no light task, as much as one can do; *all in the day's ~*, normal; *bring your ~ downstairs*, i.e. sewing-machine-lesson-books, etc.). 3. Thing done, achievement, thing made, book or piece of literary or musical composition, literary or other product of, specimen of, (Theol., usu. in pl.) meritorious act as opposed to faith or grace, (*mighty ~s*, miracles; *a good day's ~*, much accomplished; *the ~s of God*, nature; *honest man the noblest ~ of God*; *the ~s of Cicero*, his writings; *a learned, historical, ~*, book; *a ~ of art*, fine picture, building, poem, etc.; *is the ~ of the devil*; ~s of mercy, charitable actions; *covenant of ~s*, O.-T. dispensation; ~s of SUPEREROGATION). 4. Doings or experiences of specified kind (*sharp, bloody, wild, ~*; *thirsty, dry, ~*; *make short ~ of*, quickly accomplish or get rid of or overcome). 5. Employment, esp. the opportunity of earning money by labour, laborious occupation, (*is out of, is in regular, wants, is looking for, ~*; *many hands make light ~*; *do you want the ~ or the wages?*; *rich men's luxury makes ~ for the poor*). 6. (Usu. in pl., & in comb. or with adj.) piece of fortification, structure for defence, (*the ~s are impregnable*; *advanced, detached, defensive, ~s or ~*; *out-~, earth-~s*). 7. pl. Operations in building etc. (*public ~s*, such operations done by or for the State; || *Ministry of W~s*; *CLERK of the ~s*). 8. pl. Acting or operative part of machine (usu. of; *the ~s of a watch* etc.; *something must be wrong with the ~s*). 9. pl. (Often with sing. constr., usu. in comb. with attrib. n.) manufactory (*the owner of an iron, a glass, ~s*; *the ~s will be closed from 1st Oct.*). 10. (Articles having) ornamentation of kind specified by adj. or by usu. hyphenated attrib. n., things or parts made of material or with tools etc. so specified, (*covered with elaborate ~*; *rustic, embossed, beaten, frosted, etc., ~*; *wood~, iron~, stone~*; *fancy, needle, stucco, relief, poker, ~*); (Naut.) UFFER ~s. 11. ~aday, fit for or used or seen on ~days, ordinary, practical, (now chiefly in *this ~aday world*); ~bag, -basket, -box, holding materials & implements for ~, esp. for sewing; ~day, day other than Sunday or festival; ~house, || public institution for reception of paupers in parish or union of parishes; ~man, operative, man hired to do manual labour, person good, bad, skilled, etc., at

his job (an ill ~man quarrels with his tools); ~manlike, characteristic of a good ~man; ~manship, person's relative skill in doing task, relative finish or execution seen in manufactured article or ~ of art, one's making (we are God's or of God's ~manship); ~people, ~men or ~women; ~room, in which ~ is done; ~shop, room or building in which manufacture is carried on; ~shy, (adj.) disinclined to work, (n.) lazy wastrel; ~table, with drawers for sewing-materials etc.; ~woman, female operative. Hence ~LESS a. [Aryan: OE *weorc*, cf. Du. & G *werk*, Gk *ergon*]

work¹ (wɜ:k), v.t. & i. (~ed; also wrought pr. rawt, arch. exc. as specified below). 1. Engage or be engaged in bodily or mental work, carry on operations, make efforts, be a craftsman in some material, (men must ~; ~ away or on, continue to ~; ~ double tides; ~ to rule, make efficiency impossible by keeping every rule in & out of season, as substitute for open strike; is ~ing at Greek, history, social reform; ~s, ~ed or wrought, in brass, leather, oils, distemper; person is hard to ~ with, impracticable; is ~ing for, against, the cause). 2. (Of machine, plan, etc.) operate, act, do its appointed work, (of person) put or keep (machine etc.) in operation, keep (person, horse, machine, etc.) going or at work, exact toll from, (charm, drug, pump, scheme, ~s or will not ~; ~ ship, typewriter; ~s his men etc. too hard, to death); (of wheel etc.) run, revolve, go through regular motions, (strap, handle, wheel, ~s on a wheel, pivot, axle; ~ freely, stiffly, etc.). 3. Carry on, manage, control, (~ mine, scheme; ~s the coach from London to Brighton, has charge of it; my partner ~s the Liverpool district; is ~ed by wires, electricity, etc.). 4. Have influence or effect, exercise influence on, (often wrought; now let it ~, leave it to produce its effect; ~ upon person or his mind etc.; all these things have ~ed together for good; the appeal wrought powerfully upon him; ~ the oracle). 5. Bring about, effect, accomplish, produce as result, (often wrought; ~ wonders, cures, mischief, a change; ~ one's will, accomplish one's purpose often upon person or thing; will ~ it if I can, al., bring it about). 6. Be in motion, be agitated, cause agitation, ferment lit. & fig., (face, features, ~ed violently; waves ~ to & fro; thoughts, conscience, ~ing within him; yeast began to ~; to be wrought with one we love doth ~ like madness in the brain). 7. Make way or make (way etc.) or cause to make way slowly or with difficulty or by shifting motions (usu. with adv. or prep.), gradually become (loose, free, tight, etc.) by motion, (stockings, shirt, ~ down, up; needle ~ed out eventually from her arm; servile has ~ed

off, dooses; ~ your knife through the card, your point in; grub ~s its way into or out of; wind has ~ed round; ship is ~ing eastwards; some influences ~ upwards, some downwards, in society; angler ~s up stream). 8. Knead, hammer, fashion, into shape or desired consistence (~ dough, clay, etc.; butter should be thoroughly ~ed; wrought iron, forged or rolled, not cast). 9. Artificially & gradually excite into (~ed his audience, himself, into enthusiasm, a rage). 10. Do, make by, needwork or the like (reads to them while they ~; ~ pattern, initials, etc., on linen etc.; is ~ing a shawl). 11. Solve (sum) by mathematical processes. 12. Purchase (one's passage) with labour instead of money, also transf. 13. ~ in, find place for (illustration, subject, etc.), admit of being introduced. 14. ~ off, get rid of, get over, find customers etc. for, (~s off his bad temper on his servants; has ~ed off his debauch; ~ off 3000 copies; ~s off old jokes on us). 15. ~ out, find (amount etc.) or solve (sum) by calculation, (of amount etc.) be calculated at (~s out at £8 10s.), (of sum) give definite result (will not ~ out), exhaust with work (person, mine, etc., is quite ~ed out), accomplish or attain with difficulty (~ out one's salvation), provide for or plan all details of (has ~ed out a scheme of invasion); ~out n. (esp. Boxing, Sports, etc.), a practice or test. 16. ~ up, bring gradually to efficient state, elaborate in description (often wrought), advance gradually to (climax), excite (persons, expectations, etc.) by degrees (often wrought; his wrought-up nerves; is in a highly wrought-up state, nervous, hysterical), mingle (materials) into whole, acquire familiarity with (subject) by study. [OE *wircan*, *wyrcan*, *wercan*, past *worhte* (prec.)]

wor'kable (wɜ:k-), a. That can be worked, that will work, that is worth working, practicable, feasible. Hence ~ABILITY, ~ableness, nn., ~ably² adv. [-ABLE]

wor'ker (wɜ:k-), n. In vbl senses; esp., (also ~ bee, ant, etc.) undeveloped female of various social insects. [-ER¹]

wor'king¹ (wɜ:k-), n. In vbl senses; also or esp.: way thing works or result of its ~ (the ~s of his face, conscience, fancy); mine, quarry, etc., or part of it in which work is being or has been done (was found in a disused ~); ~ day, = WORK¹-day, also hours of the twenty-four devoted to work; ~ capital, expenses, those required by or devoted to actual carrying on of business; ~ drawing, plan (serving as guide for building or construction); ~out, calculation of results, elaboration of details; ~ party, (esp.) committee etc. appointed to secure efficiency in an industry etc.; ~ to investigate & report on some question. [-ING¹]

wor'king¹ (wɜː-), a. In vbl senses; esp., engaged in manual labour (~ man; the ~ class). [-ɪŋ¹]

world (wɜː-), n. 1. Time or state or scene of existence (*the or this ~, mortal life; the other or next ~, the ~ to come, life after death; the lower ~, hell, Earth; Prince of this ~, the devil; we bring nothing into the ~, at birth; bring child into the ~, beget or bear it; make the best of both ~s, reconcile secular & spiritual interests; the end of the ~, cessation of all mortal life by destruction of universe or otherwise; ~ without end, for ever*). 2. Secular interests & occupations (*the ~, the flesh, & the devil, kinds of temptation; forsake the ~*). 3. The universe, all creation, everything, (*the creation of the ~; the best of all possible ~s; in the ~, at all, that exists, etc., as who, how, what, in the ~ was it?, nothing in the ~; for all the ~ like, precisely like; carry the ~ before one, have rapid & complete success*). 4. Everything that exists outside oneself (*the external ~, all phenomena; the ~ of dreams, things as they seem in dreams; would not do it for the, to gain the whole, ~; she is all the ~ to me; would give the ~ to know*). 5. The earth, heavenly body supposed to resemble it, its countries & their inhabitants, all people, the earth as known or in some respect limited, (*go round the ~; to the ~'s end, to farthest attainable distance; a universe of ~s; are there other ~s than ours?; federation of the ~, combination of all peoples in one State; citizen of the ~, cosmopolitan; all the ~'s a stage; make a noise in the ~, be widely talked of; all the ~ knows, it is generally known; makes the whole ~ kin; the wise old ~, general experience & custom; ~ politics, movement, tendency, affecting or seen among many peoples; the Old W~, Europe, Asia, & Africa, part known by ancients to exist; the New W~, America; the Roman etc. ~, as much of the ~ as concerned Rome etc.; the Anglo-Saxon, English-speaking, etc., ~*). 6. Human affairs, their course & conditions, active life, (*so wags the ~; how goes the ~ with you?; know, see, the ~, have, acquire, experience; man of the ~, experienced practical tolerant person; begin the ~, start one's career; all's right with the ~, expression of optimism; take the ~ as it is, as one finds it, be adaptable; let the ~ slide, not try to influence events, also disregard convention & public opinion*). 7. Average or respectable or fashionable society or people or their customs or opinions (*the great ~, fashionable society; all the ~ & his wife, all with pretensions to fashion; what will the ~ say?, dare we defy opinion?*). 8. All that concerns or all who belong to specified department or class, sphere, domain, (*the literary, scientific,*

sporting, animal, ancient, ~; the ~ of letters, art, sport). 9. A vast or infinite number or amount or extent (*a ~ of meaning, banknotes, trouble, faults; a ~ of waters, expanse of sea; a ~ too wide etc., by far*). 10. To the ~ (sl.), utterly (*tired, drunk, etc., to the ~, perh. by misapplication of dead to the ~*); ~ language, that was or will be or is meant to be universal, also spoken in more than one part of ~; ~-old, (usu. by exag.) old as creation; ~-power, powerful State whose policy etc. may affect the ~ at large; ~-weary, tired of existence; ~-wide, spread over the ~, known or found everywhere. [com. Teut.: OE *weoruld* (wer man, ELD, lit. sense 'age of man'), cf. Du. *wereld*, G *welt*]

wor'ldling (wɜː-), n. Worldly person. [-ɪŋ¹]

wor'ldly (wɜː-), a. Temporal, earthly, (~ goods, property); exclusively or preponderantly concerned with or devoted to the affairs of this life, esp. to pursuit of wealth or pleasure (~ wisdom, esp. prudence in advancing one's own interests; ~ people, life, etc.); ~-minded, intent on ~ things, whence ~-mind'ed-NESS n.; ~-wise, having ~ wisdom. Hence **wor'ldliness** (wɜː-) n. [-ɪz¹]

worm¹ (wɜːm), n. 1. Kinds of invertebrate limbless or apparently limbless creeping animal, esp. such as are segmented in rings or are parasitic in the intestines or tissues (also in compd names of larvae, insects, lizards, etc., with some resemblance to ~s, as *silk, glow, slow, ~; dog, child, has ~s, internal parasites; food for ~s, of person when dead; a ~ will turn, the meekest will resist or retaliate if pushed too far; the ~ of conscience, gnawing pain of remorse; so where their ~ dieth not; am a ~ today, out of sorts & spiritless, w. ref. to Ps. xxii. 6*). 2. Insignificant or contemptible person. 3. Spiral part of screw, spiral cartridge-extractor, spiral pipe of still in which vapour is cooled & condensed. 4. Ligament under dog's tongue. 5. ~-cast, tubular mass of earth voided by earth-~; ~-eaten, gnawn by ~s, full of ~-holes, (fig.) antiquated; ~-fishing, with ~ for bait; ~-gear, arrangement of toothed wheel worked by revolving spiral; ~-hole, left in wood, fruit, etc., by passage of ~; ~-holed, ~-eaten (lit.); ~-seed, (Levantine plant bearing) seed used to expel intestinal ~s; ~-s-eye view (joc.), as seen from below (opp. *bird's-eye view*); ~-wheel, wheel of ~-gear. Hence ~-r¹ a., ~-iness n. [OE *wyrm*, cf. Du. *worm*, G *wurm*; cogn. w. L *vermis*, Gk (*χρῶμος*)]

worm² (wɜːm), v.t. & i. 1. Insinuate oneself into (favour, person's confidence, etc.); convey oneself, progress, make one's way, with crawling motion (~ed himself or his way or ~ed through the bushes). 2. Draw (secret etc.) by crafty persistence out (of

person). 3. Out worm of (dog's tongue). 4. Rid (garden-bed etc.) of worms. [f. prec.]

wor'wōōd (wēr-), n. Kinds of perennial herb with bitter, tonic, & stimulating qualities used in preparation of vermouth & absinth & in medicine; bitter mortification or its cause. [OE *wermod*, cf. OHG *wer(i)muota*, etym. dub., w. assim. to worm, wood]

wōrn. See **WEAR**¹.

wō'rrit (wū-), v.t. & i., & n. = foll. (vulg.).

wō'rriȝ (wū-), v.t. & i., & n. 1. (Of dogs) bite (rat, sheep, dog) repeatedly, shake or pull about with the teeth (~y problem etc. out, assail it again & again till it is solved; ~y the sword in fencing, try to fluster opponent by small movements in quick succession); tease, harass, importune, be continuously or intermittently troublesome to, allow no rest or peace of mind to (~y oneself, take needless trouble; is much ~ied, full of uneasiness; wears a ~ed look, looks anxious or troubled); give way to anxiety, let the mind dwell on troubles, fret; *I should ~y (colloq.), it doesn't trouble me at all; ~y along, manage to advance in spite of obstacles; hence ~IMENT n., ~yINGLY² adv. 2. n. Hound's ~ying of quarry; (usu. in pl.) care(s), thing(s) ~ying person; cares, ~ied state, over-anxiety; hence ~LESS a. [OE *wyrigan*, cf. Du. *worgen*, G *würgen*, strangle]

worse (wērs), a. & adv. comp., & n. 1. More BAD or BADLY; (as pred. a.) in or into less good health (is ~ today, is getting ~), in less good condition or circumstances (is none the ~ for it). 2. n. ~ thing(s) (have ~ to tell; but ~ followed, remains); the ~, defeat in contest (have, put to, the ~, be defeated, defeat), ~ condition (a change for the ~). Hence **wor'ser**⁴ (wēr-) v.t. & i. [OE *wyrse* adv., *wyrsa* adj., cf. OSax. *wirs*, *wirsa*, Goth. *wairs*, *wairsa*, the last retaining the compar. suf. & corresponding to E obs. or vulg. *worser*; perh. cogn. w. G *wirren* twist]

wor'ship (wēr-), n., & v.t. & i. (-pp-). 1. (arch.). Worthiness, merit, recognition given or due to these, honour & respect, (men of ~, worthies; win, have, ~, reach, enjoy, high repute; || so still in your, his, W~, used to or of certain magistrates, or to show respect for person of higher station or ironical pretence of this), whence ~FUL a., ~FULLY¹ adv., ~fulness n. 2. Reverent homage or service paid to God (public ~, the hours of ~, forms of ~, etc., church services; place of ~, church); adoration or devotion comparable to this felt or shown towards person or principle (an object of ~; regarding her with ~ in his eyes; the ~ of rank, wealth, intellect, athletics). 3. vb. Adore as divine, pay religious homage to; idolize, regard with adoration, (~s the ground she treads on);

afford public ~ (where does he ~?), whence ~PER¹ n.; be full of adoration. [OE *weordscipe* (WORTH¹, -SHIP)]

worst (wēr-), a. & adv. sup., n., & v.t. 1. Most BAD, BADLY. 2. n. ~ part, feature, state, possible assumption, event, possible issue, or action (the ~ of the storm is over; the ~ of it is that —; saw him at his ~; when things are at the other ~; at ~, at the ~, our lives are safe; get the ~ of it, be ~ed; have, put to, the ~, be defeated, defeat; the ~ has happened; be prepared for the ~; if the ~ comes to the ~, if the ~ happens; do your, let him etc. do his etc., ~, expression of defiance). 3. v.t. Get the better of, defeat, outdo, best. [OE *wyrst* adv., *wyrsta* adj. (WORSE, -EST); the vb (recorded from 17th c. only) f. the adj.]

wor'sted (wōs-), n. Woollen yarn (often attrib., as ~ sock). [*Worsted* (ad) in Norfolk]

wort (wērt), n. 1. Plant, herb, (rare exc. in comb., as *spleen, stitch*, ~). 2. Infusion of malt before it is fermented into beer. [sense 1 f. OE *wyrt*, cf. G *wurz*, cogn. w. ROOT; sense 2 f. OE *wyrt*, cf. G *wurze* spice, brewer's ~]

worth¹ (wēth), pred. a. (governing noun like trans. part.), & n. 1. Of value equivalent to (is ~ much, little, nothing, about 2/6; is little ~, poet., ~ little; BIRD in the hand is ~ two in bush; what is the house ~?; the rarer it is the more it is ~). 2. Deserving, worthy of, bringing compensation for, (~ one's salt, earning one's keep by good service; ~ doing, hearing, notice, the trouble, WHILE¹, an effort, troubling oneself about, etc.; ~ it, colloq., ~ while; to reign is ~ ambition; game not ~ the candle; I give you, you must take, this for what it is ~, I do not guarantee its truth, wisdom, etc.). 3. Possessed of, having property amounting to, (is, died, ~ a million; spent all he was ~ on it; for all one is ~, sl., with one's utmost efforts, without reserve). 4. ~while, that is ~ while (a ~while experiment). 5. n. What a person or thing is ~, value, merit, high merit or excellence, (of great, little, no, ~; persons of ~; true ~ often goes unrecognized), whence ~LESS a., ~LESSLY¹ adv., ~lessness n. 6. Coin's equivalent of commodity (give me a shilling's, half a crown's, ~ of stamps; also in comb. as penny~, two-penny~ or -pennorth, three-ha'porth etc.). [OE *weorth* a. & n., cf. Du. *waard* a., G *wert* a. & n.]

|| **worth**² (wēth), v.t. 3rd sing. subjunct. (arch.). Befall (only in *woe ~ the day ~* cursed be). [f. OE *weordhan* become, cf. G *werden*]

worthy (wēr'dhl), a. & n. 1. Estimable, having some moral worth, of a fair degree of merit, respectable, (a ~ man; has lived a ~ life; often with patronizing effect, cf. *honest*, as I asked the ~ rustic,

whether); deserving of or deserving of or deserving to be or do (is ~ of or rarely ~ remembrance or being remembered; is ~ to be remembered, take the lead; also in comb. as praise~, blame~); corresponding to the worth of or of, adequate, appropriate, of sufficient worth or merit, (in words ~ of or ~ the occasion; is not ~ of or ~ my word, steel; has found a ~ adversary, received a ~ reward); hence wor'thily¹ adv., wor'thiness n., (wɛt'dhi-). 2. n. ~ person, person of some distinction in his country, time, etc., (esp. in pl., as the Worthies of England; an Elizabethan etc. ~). [WORTH¹ n. + -y¹]

wot. See WIT¹.

would. See WILL¹.

would'be (wɔd-), a. & adv. prefixed to n. or adj. expressing a quality aspired to or intended (~ gentleman, facetious). [WILL¹, BE]

wound¹ (wɔd-), n., & v.t. 1. Injury done by cut or stab or blow or tear to animal or vegetable tissues including & usu. going beyond the cutting or piercing or breaking or tearing of the skin or bark or other integument, (fig.) injury done to person's reputation etc. or pain inflicted on his feelings, (poet.) pangs of love, (receive, inflict, make, heal, a ~; incised, punctured, contused, lacerated, ~; open, incurable, festering, mortal, ~); ~wort, kinds of plant supposed to have healing properties; hence ~less a. 2. v.t. Inflict ~ on (often fig., esp. ~ed vanity, feelings; willing to ~, spiteful). [com.-Teut.: OE wund, cf. Du. wond, G wunde; vb (OE wundian) f. n.]

wound². See WIND², 3.

woura'lli. See CURARE.

wove(n). See WEAVE.

***wow, n. (sl.).** (Esp. Theatr.) a sensational success. [?]

wows'er (-z), n. (Austral.). Puritanical fanatic. [?]

wr-. In all words beginning thus w is silent.

wrack, n. Sea-weed cast up & used for manure etc.; wreckage; = RACK¹. [OE wræc (wreacan WRĒAK) vengeance, damage, w. senses added f. MDu. wrak WRĒOK]

wraith, n. Person's double or apparition seen shortly before or after his death. [orig. Sc., etym. dub.]

wrangle (rɒŋg't), v.i., & n. Brawl, (engage in) loud or vulgar or confused argument or altercation or quarrel. [cogn. w. WRING, -LE(s)]

wrang'ler (-ng-), n. In vbl senses; || also, (Camb. Univ.) person placed in first class of mathematical tripos (person in 2nd, 3rd, class being called senior, junior, 4th time; senior ~, first in first class when it was arranged in order of merit), whence

~SHIP n. [-ER¹; spec. sense f. obs. sense of vb dispute publicly on a thesis]

wrāp, v.t. & i. (-pp-), & n. 1. Enfold, enclose or pack or conceal in folded or soft encircling material, (often up; ~ it in paper, cotton wool; ~ up parcel; mountain, affair, is ~ped in mist, mystery; ~ up his meaning in tortuous sentences, allegory); (p.p. with up) engrossed or included (mother, country's prosperity, is ~ped up in her child, its shipping); ~ up, put on ~s (mind you ~ up well if you go out); arrange or draw (pliant covering) round or about person or thing (~ped her shawl closer about her), whence ~ping¹(s) n.; overlap (intr.; the edges should, do not, ~). 2. n. (Uru. in pl.) shawl(s), rug(s), cloak(s), neckerchief(s), etc., as addition to ordinary clothes. [etym. dub.; cf. obs. wrap-pen in same sense, & LAP¹]

wrāpp'age, n. Wrapping(s). [-AGE]

wrāpper, n. In vbl senses; esp.: (garment resembling) dressing-gown; paper enclosing newspaper or similar packet for posting; detachable paper cover of book, outer tobacco-leaf of superior quality enclosing cigar. [-ER¹]

wrapt. = RAPT.

wrasse, n. Kinds of thick-lipped strong-toothed bright-coloured rock-haunting sea-fish. [f. Cornish wrach, wrath, cf. W gwrach]

wrath (raw-), n. Anger, indignation, (poet., rhet., or joc.; vessels, children, of ~, persons destined to divine chastisement; slow to ~, not irascible). Hence ~ful a., ~fully¹ adv. [OE wraethdhu (WROTH)]

wreak, v.t. Avenge (wrong, wronged person; arch.); give play or satisfaction to, put in operation, (vengeance, rage, etc., usu. upon enemy etc.; rarely desire etc., as ~ one's thoughts upon expression, find adequate words). [com.-Teut.: OE wrecan avenge, cf. Du. wreken, G rächen; orig. sense drive, cogn. w. WRACK, WRĒOK, L urgere URGE, Gk eirgō hem in]

wreath, n. (pl. pr. -dhs). Flowers or leaves strung or woven or wound together into ring for wearing on head or for decorating statue, building, coffin, etc., carved imitation of such ~; similar ring of soft twisted material such as silk; curl of smoke, circular or curved band of cloud, (poet.) circle of dancers or spectators. [OE wriðha fillet cogn. w. WARTH]

wreathe (-dh), v.t. & i. Encircle as with or as with a wreath (face ~d in smiles); form (flowers, silk, etc.) into wreath; wind one's arms etc. or (of snake etc.) itself round person etc.; make (garland; of smoke etc.) move in shape of wreaths. [f. prec. & partly f. WARTH]

wreck, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Ruin, destruction, disablement, esp. of ship (save ship, one's

fortunes, from ~; gale caused many ~s; the ~ of the Hesperus, of his life); ship that has suffered ~, greatly damaged or disabled building or person, disorganized remains or sorry remnant of, (*shores are strewn with ~s; person, building, is a ~; is but a or the ~ of his former self*); goods etc. cast up by the sea (~ of the sea belongs to the Crown); ~master, officer appointed to take charge of goods etc. cast up from ~ed ship. 2. vb. Cause ~ of (ship, train, hopes, undertaking, person or his fortunes), (p.p.) involved in ship-~ (~ed sailors, goods); || ~ing amendment (Pol.), alteration designed to frustrate the whole purpose of a bill; suffer ~ (rare; *this is the obstacle your hopes will ~ on*). [vb f. n., AF *wrec* f. ON (Norw., Icel., *rek*) f. st. of *wrekan* to drive, see WREAK]

wreck'age, n. Wrecked material, remnants, fragments. [-AGE]

wreck'er, n. In vbl senses; also: man who tries from shore to bring about shipwreck with a view to profiting by wreckage or who steals such wreckage; person employed in recovering wrecked ship or its contents. [-ER']

wren', n. Kinds of very small cock-tailed short-winged European songbird (often *Jenny W.*). [OE *wrenna*, cf. Icel. *rindill*]

|| **Wren'**, n. Member of the Women's Royal Naval Service. [f. initials]

wrench, n., & v.t. 1. Violent twist or oblique pull or tearing off, (fig.) pain caused by parting, (*gave a ~ to his ankle, at the door-handle; leaving home was a great ~*). 2. Implement made to grip & turn nuts, bolts, etc. 3. v.t. Twist or pull violently round or sideways, injure or pull off or away by twisting, (~ed the door open, his horse's head round, his ankle, fowl's head off, opponent's sword from him); pervert, wrest, (facts etc.). [n. f. vb, OE *wrencan* twist, practisegulle, cf. OHG *renchan*]

wrest, v.t., & n. 1. Twist, deflect, distort, pervert, (~s the law to suit himself; ~ the facts, sense or words of a passage, etc.); force or wrench away from person's grasp (~ed his sword from him). 2. n. Key for tuning harp etc.; ~block, part of piano holding ~pins, to which strings are attached. [OE *wrestan*, cf. Icel. *retsta*, Da. *wrist*; cogn. w. WRETHE, WRIST]

wrestle (al), v.l. & t., & n. 1. Grapple with & try to throw adversary esp. in sporting contest under code of rules (*with*, or *abs.*); have ~ing-match with; contend, grapple, do one's utmost to deal, with evil, temptation, duty, task, problem, etc.; ~e with God or in prayer, pray fervently; hence ~er', ~ing', nn., (r's'l-). 2. n. ~ing-match; hard struggle. [prec. -LE(3)]

wretch, n. Very unfortunate or miserable person; despicable person, person with-

out-conscience or shame (often as term of playful abuse). [OE *wrecca* outcast (*wreccan* WREAK)]

wretch'ed, a. Miserable, unhappy, afflicted; inferior, of bad quality or no merit, contemptible, unsatisfactory, causing discontent or discomfort or nuisance, confounded, (~ *weather, health, horse, inn, accommodation, poetry, poet, etc.*); (with nn. of condemnation) great, severe, excessive, (~ *insufficiency, stupidity, etc.*). Hence ~LY' adv., ~NESS n. [prec. + -ED', cf. WICKED]

wrick, rick, v.t., & n. 1. Slightly sprain or strain (neck, back, joint). 2. n. Sprain or strain (*have a ~ in my neck; gave my back a ~*). [cf. Du. *wrikken* stir to & fro (also ME *wricken* obs.)]

wrig'gle, v.l. & t., & n. 1. (Of worm etc.) move body with short twistings, (of animals or persons) make wormlike motions, (fig.) be slippery, practise evasion; make way along, through, out, in, etc., by ~ing (often fig., as ~e out of a difficulty); move oneself, one's body, tail, hand, etc., with ~ing motion; make one's way by ~ing. 2. n. ~ing movement. [f. LG *wriggeln* frequent. of *wrigen*, whence E dial. *wrig* to twist]

wright (rit), n. Workman, maker, (now rare exc. in comb. as *ship, wheel, play, ~*, or with help of context as *the wheel must go to the ~ for repair*). [OE *wyrhta* (*wurh*-var. stem of *work*)]

wring, v.t. (*wring*), & n. 1. Squeeze, squeeze & twist, twist forcibly, break by twisting, pervert sense of, torture, (~ person's hand, press it with emotion; ~ one's hands, squeeze them together in sign of great distress; ~ out or ~ clothes, press water from them by twisting; ~ing wet, or colloq. ~ing, so wet as to need ~ing; ~ neck of, kill chicken etc.; *has wrung the words from their true meaning; soul was wrung with agony*); extract by squeezing, get out by pressure or opportunity, extort, (~ *water, groan, consent, money, from or out of or out*); hence (-)~ER' (2) n. 2. n. Squeeze (*gave my hand, give those clothes, a ~*). [OE *wringan*, cf. Du. *wringen*, G *ringen*]

wrinkle' (ring'kl), n., & v.t. & i. 1. Furrow-like crease or depression or ridge in the skin (esp. of the kind produced by age) or other flexible surface; hence *wrink'ly* a. 2. vb. Produce ~s in (often up; *he ~d his forehead; ~d with age*); assume ~s, show ~d appearance. [prob. back form. f. OE *gewrincled* sinuous, etym. dub.]

wrinkle' (ring'kl), n. Piece of serviceable information not generally known, tip, dodge, (*is full of ~s; gave me, put me up to, a ~ or two*). [perh. a use of prec.; so with pun in *Swift*]

wrist, n. Joint connecting hand with forearm; affect *get in fencing, ball-games,*

sleight-of-hand, etc., by) working of the hand from the ~ alone (*his wonderful ~; that was all ~*); (Mech., also ~-pin) stud projecting from crank etc. as attachment for connecting-rod; ~-band (ris'band), band usu. of folded & starched linen forming or concealing end of shirt-sleeve, cuff; ~-drop, paralysis of forearm muscles from lead-poisoning. [OE, cogn. w. WRISTHE; orig. hand-wrist = hand-turner; cf. ON *rist* instep, G *rist* instep, wrist]

wrist'let, n. Band or ring worn on wrist to strengthen or guard it or as ornament, bracelet, handcuff, etc. (~ *watch*, attached to ~). [-LETT]

writ', n. *Holy, sacred*, ~, the Bible; form of written command in name of sovereign, State, court, etc., issued to official or other person & directing him to act or abstain from acting in some way (~ of *attachment*, *habeas corpus*, *subpoena*, etc.; *serve ~ on one*, deliver it to him; ~ *runs in district etc.*, is theoretically valid or is actually respected). [OE (*ge*)writ a writing (WRITH)]

writ'. See foll.

write, v.i. & t. (*wrôte*, arch. *writ*; *written*, arch. *writ*). 1. Trace symbols representing word(s) esp. with pen or pencil on paper or parchment, trace (such symbols), trace the symbols that represent or constitute (word, special script, etc.), (fig.) stamp marks indicating (quality or conditions) on or in or over person's face etc., (~ *well*, *legibly*, *disgracefully*, etc.; ~ *in ink*, *in pencil*; ~s a *good*, *niggling*, etc., *hand*, produces good etc. writing; *cannot read or ~*; *can ~ his alphabet*, the Greek letters, Greek; ~ *your letters separate*; ~ *one's name*; *has honestly written in his face*; *a paper written all over*, covered with writing; *a notice is written up on the wall*; *what I have written I have written*, of refusal to correct, see John xix. 22; ~ *thing down*, record or take note of it in writing; ~ *off*, ~ & dispatch letter; ~ *out*, ~ the whole of, ~ in full; ~ *out fair*, make fair copy of; *name is written in book of life*, included in the list of the saved; *written in or on water*, unrecorded; *writ large*, aggravated, esp. w. ref. to intended remedy that reproduces former evils in greater degree). 2. Fill, draw up or fill in, with writing (*has written three sheets*; ~ *cheque*, *certificate*, *application*, etc.; ~ *up the books*, *reports*, etc., make entries bringing them up to date). 3. Compose for written or printed reproduction or publication, put into literary form & set down in writing, be engaged temporarily or permanently in such composition, compose books etc. *well* etc., (*is writing a book*, *article*, *his life*, *poetry*, *a novel*, *report*, *letter*, etc.; ~ *off*, compose with facility;

~s *cleverly*, *like an angel*; ~s a *little*, in or for the papers, for a living, etc.).

4. ~ & send letter (to person or abs., *also* *commere*, or colloq. without to; ~s *home once a week*; *have written to him*; *we wrote you last week*; *will ~ off*, or ~, for a fresh supply). 5. Send or convey (person or to person news, *that*, *how*, etc.) by letter (~ *me all the news*, the result, *how you got home*; *wrote to his mother that he was bullied*). 6. State in writing or print (*Herodotus ~s*, it is written, *that*). 7. Describe, put down, in writing as (~ *himself* *esquire*; ~ *me down an ass*). 8. ~ *down*, disparage in writing, (also) reduce nominal value of (stock); ~ *off*, cancel, recognize in writing the non-existence or annulment of, (bad debts, sums absorbed by depreciation, etc.); ~ *out*, *roll*, exhaust by writing (*has written himself out*, has no ideas etc. left); ~ *up*, praise in writing, also elaborate account of (incident etc.). [OE *writan*, cf. ON *rita* score, ~, G *reissen* tear; orig. *sense score*, cut]

writ'er, n. In vbl senses; esp.: || clerk in certain offices, whence ~SHIP n.; author; manual teaching how to write specified language (*French* etc. ~); || ~ *to the signed*, abbr. *W.S.*, Scots solicitor; ~s *cramp* or *palsy*, muscular affection incapacitating for writing. [-RR']

writhe (*ridh*), v.i. & t., & n. 1. Twist or roll oneself about (as) in acute pain, squirm; twist (one's *body* etc.) about; shrink mentally, be stung or bitterly annoyed, (*under*, *at*, insult etc.; *with* *shame* etc.). 2. n. Act of writhing. [OE *wridhan*, cf. ON *ridha*, OHG *ridan*]

writ'ing, n. In vbl senses; also: written document; piece of literary work done, book, article, etc., (*the ~s of Plato*); *put thing in ~*, write it down; ~-*case*, holding ~-materials; ~-*desk*, desk; ~-*ink*, opp. *printing-ink*; *the ~ on the wall*, omnisciently significant event etc. (see *Dan. v*); ~-*paper*, paper for ~ on esp. cut to size usual for letters; ~-*table*. KNER¹-hole or other table kept for ~ at. [-ING¹]

written. See **WRITE**.

wrōng, a. (*more*, *most*), n., adv. (no comp.), & v.t. 1. Out of order, in(to) bad condition, (*something is ~ with him*; *my liver is or has gone or has got ~*; *what's ~ with —?*, colloq., surely no substitute is wanted); Contrary to law or morality, wicked, (*knows the right from the ~*; *lying is ~*); other than the right or the *more* or most desirable (*always does the ~ thing*; *took the ~ way*; *the ~ answer*, *move*; *in the ~ box*, awkwardly placed, in a difficulty, at a disadvantage; *is ~ side out*, inside out; *has hold of the ~ end of the stick*, has inverted a theory, position, etc.; *on the ~ side of 40* etc., older than; ~ *side of the BLANKET*; ~ *fount*, abbr.

w.f., notice to compositor that letter or word is not of right FOUND¹; mistaken, in error, (a ~ opinion, guess, decision, hypothesis; I think you are, can prove you, ~); ~headed, perverse & obstinate; hence ~LY² adv. 2. n. What is morally ~, ~ action, (the difference between right & ~; can two ~s make a right?; do ~, sin, offend, transgress, whence ~doer¹, ~doing¹, nn., (-dōo-); king can do no ~, maxim expressing principle of ministerial responsibility in constitutional monarchy; injustice, unjust action or treatment, (do ~ to; suffer ~; has done me a great ~; you do me ~, malign me; complains of her ~a); position of or responsibility for having caused quarrel, made the mistake, been the offender, etc. (you were, they are both, in the ~; put one in the ~, show or make it appear that he was the offender); hence (of actions) ~FUL a., ~FULLY² adv., ~FULNESS n. 3. adv. (usu. placed last). Amiss, in ~ direction, with incorrect result, (aim, guess, answer, do sum, sort things, ~; you told, led, me ~; go ~, take ~ path, esp. fig. of woman falling in chastity); (colloq.) get in ~ with person, incur his dislike, get person in ~, bring him into disfavour. 4. v.t. Treat unjustly, do ~ to, (his deeply ~ed wife); mistakenly attribute bad motives etc. to (I assure you you ~ me). [OE *wrang* n. f. ON (Icel. *rangr* awry, Da. *wrang* wrong a.); cogn. w. **WRANG**; the adj. use not in OE]

|| **wrōng'ous**, a. (Sc. law). Illegal, unjust. [f. ME *wranguis*, of. **RIGHTOUS**]

wrote. See **WRITE**.

wroth (rō-, rō-), pred. a. (rhet., poet., or joc.). Angry. [OE *wrāth* (WRITHE) = perverted in temper, cf. Du. *wreed* cruel, OHG *reid* twisted]

wrought. See **WORK**².

wrung. See **WRING**.

wry, a. (-ier, -iest, or -yer, -yest). Distorted, turned to one side, skew, (~ face, mouth, grimace expressing disgust; has a ~ nose); ~bill, kind of plover; ~mouth, kinds of fish; ~mouled, ironically flattering etc.; ~neck, bird allied to woodpeckers able to turn head over shoulder. Hence ~NESS n. [f. OE *wrigian* tend, incline, swerve, of. **WRIGGLE**]

wy'andōtte, n. American breed of fowl. [name of Amer.-Ind. tribe]

wych-, **wich-**, **witch-**, prefix in names of trees, as ~alder, ~elm, ~hazel, f. OE *wice*, *wic*; orig. sense plant, cogn. w. **WEEK**, **WIAK**.

wye, n. Letter Y; thing so shaped.

Wyke'hamist (-kam-), a. & n. (Past or present member) of Winchester college. [William of Wykeham, founder, -ist]

|| **wy'nd**, n. (Sc.). Alley in Scots town. [perh. var. of **WIND**² n.]

wyvern. See **WIVERN**.

X

X (ēks), letter (pl. **Xs**, **X's**). (As Rom. numeral) 10, as **IX** 9, xv 15, lx 60, **XC** 90, **MX** 1010, **DXL** 540; (Alg.; x) first unknown quantity (cf. **A**, **Y**), (transf.) incalculable or mysterious factor or influence (**X-RAY**'s).

Xanthipp'ē (zānti-), n. Shrewish wife. [wife of Socrates]

xān'th(o)- (z-), comb. forms of Gk *xanthos* yellow: ~ate, a salt of ~ic acid; ~etin(e), soluble part of yellow colouring-matter in flowers; ~ic, yellowish (~ic acid, ethyl-disulpho-carbonic acid with yellow salts; ~ic flowers, typically yellow & never passing into blue but only into red or white, opp. *cyanic* flowers with blue as typical & red or white as alternative colours); ~och'rōi (-k-) n. pl. (Ethnol.), blonds or fair whites (cf. **MELANOCHROI**); ~omēl'anous (Ethnol.), with black hair & yellow or brown or olive skin; ~ophyll, yellow colouring-matter occurring with chlorophyll in plants; ~ous (Ethnol.), yellow or Mongoloid.

xēb'ēc (z-), n. Small three-masted Mediterranean vessel with some square & some lateen sails. [f. F *chebec* etym. dub., cf. OSp. *zabeque*, It. *sciabecco*, Turk. *sunbeki*]

xēnēlās'ia (z-), n. (Gk hist.). Spartan system of excluding & expelling aliens. [Gk (-nē-), f. *xenos* stranger, *elaínō* drive]

xēn|(o)- (z-), comb. forms of Gk *xenos* stranger(r); ~ial, of hospitality or relations between host & guest; ~og'amy (Bot.), cross-fertilization; ~olith (Geol.), stone or rock occurring in a system of rocks to which it does not belong; ~ophōb'ia, morbid dislike of foreigners, so ~OPHORE.

xēn'ōn (z-), n. (chém.). Heavy inert gaseous element. [Gk, neut. of *xenos* strange]

xēr|(o)- (z-), comb. forms of Gk *xēros* dry: ~ān'sis [Gk, f. *xērainō* dry up], desiccation, drying up; ~ān'themum, kinds of annual with everlasting composite flowers; ~ōph'ulous (Bot.), adapted to hot & dry climate; ~ōphthal'mia, ophthalmia without discharge.

xī, n. Greek letter (**Ξ**, **ξ**) = **x**. [Gk]

xiph|(i, -o)- (z-), comb. forms of Gk *xiphos* sword; ~oid, sword-shaped (~oid appendage, cartilage, or process, or ~oid as n., lower end of sternum); ~istern'um, ~oid appendage.

xō'anōn (z-), n. (Gk Ant.; pl. -ana). Primitive usu. wooden image of deity supposed to have fallen from heaven. [Gk (*xōō* scrape)]

X-rays, n. pl. (Now usu. term for) **Röntgen RAY**'s; attrib. in sing., as *X-ray examination*, *photograph*. Hence **X-ray**² v.t., examine or treat or photograph with ~. [see **X**]

xyl'ēm (x-), n. (bot.). Woody tissue (opp. **PHLOEM**). [foll., & as **phloem**]

xyli(o)- (z-), comb. forms of Gk *xulon* wood: ~*obal'samum*, (decoction of) dried twigs of balm-of-Gilead tree; ~*ocarp*, (tree with) hard woody fruit, so ~*ocarp'ous* a.; ~*ograph*, a (esp. 15th-c.) wood-engraving, also a decorative pattern got by mechanical reproduction of wood-grain, so ~*og'raphy*, ~*og'raper*, ~*ograph'ic*; ~*onile*, = CELLULOSE n.; ~*oph'agous*, (of insects) feeding on wood [-PHAGOUS]; ~*ophone*, musical instrument of wooden bars graduated in length & vibrating when struck.

xy's'ter (z-), n. (surg.). Instrument for scraping bones. [f. Gk *xuster* (xud scrape)]

xy's'tus (z-), n. (pl. -ti). Covered portico used by athletes for exercise in classical antiquity; garden walk or terrace. [L, f. Gk *xystos* orig. = polished (prec.)]

Y

Y (wi), letter, (pl. Fs, Y's). (Alg.; y) second unknown quantity (cf. X, B); Y-shaped arrangement of lines, piping, roads, etc., forked clamp or support, (often attrib., as Y-branch, ~*cartilage*, ~*joint*, ~*ligament*); Y-cross, Y-shaped cross esp. on chasubles suggesting figure of crucified Christ; Y-gun, gun with two firing-arms for discharging depth-bombs (usu. mounted aft in destroyers); Y-level, surveying-level mounted on Y's; Y-moth, kind called also *gamma* with mark like Y or gamma on wings; Y-track, Y of railway-line with two branches running into main track enabling engine to reverse direction by running down one branch into stem & returning up the other.

Y-, pref. common in ME & still found in a few arch. forms (*yclad* clad, *YOLEPT*, *yuis* surely), repr. OE, Du., & G *ge-* as pref. of p.p.p., collective nn., & other wds; the same element is seen under different forms in ALIKE, AMONG, AWARE, EITHER, ENOUGH, HANDWORK.

-y¹, suf. of abstract nn. & of adj., repr. original L *-ius -ia -tum*, added directly to stem as *remedium* remedy, *furia* fury, or to another suf. as in wds in *-orius*, *-arius*; also repr. L *-id* f. Gk *-id*. The suf. being unaccented in L, *-i-* was in normal F absorbed into the accented syllable, as in *gloire*, *péremptoire*, *victoire*, *précaire*, or disappeared, as in *remède*; but learned formations also occur in *-ie* & are common in mod. F, as in *furie*, *centurie*; & L or mod. L wds, whether thr. F or not, have in E the corresponding *-y*, as *victory*, *glory*, *remedy*, *primary*, *peremptory*; but many adj. add a new suf. as *-ous*, *-al*, (*meritorious*, *montiorial*).

-y², suf. forming adj. f. nn., repr. OE *-ig*; used freely as a living suf., w. senses full of, composed of, having the character of, as *bony*, *thorny*, *witty*, *slangy*; also appended

with sense of *-ish*⁽²⁾ to adj. of colour when it is to be used as comb. form (*whitly-brown*, *pinky-white*, etc.); also forming adj. chiefly poet. f. other adj. without change of sense (*paly*, *sleepy*, *lanky*, *stilly*). Mute *-e* is dropped before *-y* (*icy*, *stony*); a single final consonant of monosyllables, if preceded by a single vowel, is doubled (*knobby*, *finny*, but *beery*, *downy*); in wds of more than one syl. treatment varies, as *scoundrelly*, *flagely*; in *clayey*, *skyeey*, *-e-* is inserted to divide the *ys*. In *tardy* *-y* is of different origin.

-y³, suf. w. dim. sense added to monosyllabic personal names (*Johnny*, *Jenny*, *Annie*) or animal names (*piggie*, *doggie*) or other nouns (*lassie*, *cooky*) & occas. forming nn. f. monosyl. adj. (*darky* nigger, *fatty*), with implication of affection or familiarity; the *-y* form occas. supplants the parent n. in ordinary use (*baby*); for *-y*, after Sc., *-ie* is common; for treatment of final consonants & mute *-e* see prec.; a modern development is the colloq. substitution of *-y* for all except the first syllable of polysyllabic nn. & adj. (*hanky*, *nighty*, *comfy*, for handkerchief, night-dress, comfortable).

-y⁴, suf. in nn. repr. F p.p. term. *-é -ée*, & ult. L *-atus*, *-ata*, *-atum*, cf. ADE(1, 3), -ADO. So *deputy* (F *député*, = *-atus*), *army* (F *armée*, = *-ata*), *assembly* (OF *assemblée*, = *-ata*), *delivery* (AF *delivree*, = *-ata*), *ditty* (OF *ditté* f. L *dictatum*), *treaty* (F *traité* f. L *tractatum*); other wds are formed by anal., as *expiry*, *entreaty*.

yacht (yöt), n., & v.l. 1. Light sailing-vessel kept, & usu. specially built & rigged, for racing; vessel propelled by sails, steam, electricity, or motive power other than oars, & used for private pleasure excursions, cruising, travel, etc.; ~*club*, esp. for ~*racing*; ~*s'man*, person who ~s. 2. v.l. Race or cruise in ~; hence ~*ing*¹ (yöt-) n. [f. Du. *yacht*, *jagt*, cf. *jagen* to hunt; named f. its speed] || **yäff'le**, **yäff'li**, n. The green wood-pecker. [imit. of laughing cry]

yäg'er (-g-), n. Member of certain German military corps esp. of riflemen. [f. G *jäger* orig. = hunter (*jagen* hunt)]

yah, int. of derision.

yahōō' (-a-h-), n. Brute in human shape (*Gulliver's Travels*); coarse person of bestial passions & habits. [made by Swift]

Yahveh' (-vā) n., **Yah'vist** n., **Yahvis'tic** a. = JEHOVAH, JEHOVISM(n).

yāk, n. Long-haired humped grunting wild or domesticated ox of Tibet; ~*lace*, heavy kind made from ~s hair. [f. Tibetan *gyak*]

Yäle löck, n. Cylinder lock for doors etc. invented by L. Yale. [P]

yām, n. (Edible tuber of) kinds of tropical climbing plant. [f. Port. *inhame*, etym. dub.]

Ya'ma (yah-), n. Hindu god of departed spirits & judge of the dead. [Skr.]

ya'men, -men, (yah-), n. Chinese mandarin's official residence (*the Tsung li* ~, Chinese Foreign Office). [Chin. (*ya* general's marquee, *men* gate)]

yank¹, v.t. & i., & n. (colloq.). 1. Pull (lever etc., or abs.) with a jerk. 2. n. Sudden hard pull. [†]

Yank², n. (colloq.). Yankee. [abbr.]

Yank'ee (-ki), n. Inhabitant of New England; Federal soldier or inhabitant of northern States in American civil war; || inhabitant of U.S., American; (attrib.) of or as of the ~s (~ notions, American appliances etc.); ~ *Doodle*, American tune & song regarded as a national air; *y~fied*, of acquired ~ character [-FY]. Hence ~ DOM, ~ISM (2, 4), nn. [prob. f. Du. *Janke* dim. of *Jan* John used derisively; or perh. orig. pl. f. *Pengces* Indian corrupt. of *English*]

yap, v.i. (-pp), & n. 1. Bark shrilly or fussily; (colloq.) chatter, talk idly. 2. n. Shrill or fussy bark. [imit.]

yap'ock, n. S.-American water-opossum, with webbed hind feet. [f. *Oyapok*, S.-Amer. river]

yapp, n. Kind of book-binding with limp leather cover projecting considerably. [inventor's name]

yarb'orough (-ru), n. Whist or bridge hand with no card above a 9. [f. an Earl of Y~ who betted against its occurrence]

yard¹, n. 1. The unit of long measure, = 3 ft, 36 in., or 1/1760 mile (abbr. *yd*; 100 ~s, esp. flat-race distance; *square, cubic, ~*); ~length of material (5 ~s, a ~ & a half, of cloth). 2. Cylindrical spar tapering to each end slung horizontally (*square ~*) or slantwise (*laken ~*) across mast to support sail (*lower, topsail, top-gallant, royal, ~*, according to sail supported; *man the ~s*, place men, stand, along ~s as form of salute). 3. (arch.). *Penis*. 4. ~arm, either end of sail-~; ~measure, rod, tape, etc., a ~ long & usu. divided into feet, inches, & quarters or fifths; ~stick, ~wand, rigid ~measure; ~stick, (fig.) standard of comparison. [OE *gyrd* stick, cf. Du. *parde*, G *gerie*, L *hasta* spear]

yard², n., & v.t. 1. Piece of enclosed ground, especially one surrounded by or attached to building(s) or used for some manufacturing or other purpose often specified by combination with another word (OUTRICH¹, COURT¹, DOCK¹, FARM¹, KALE, RICK¹, TIMBER, ~, VINEYARD; brick-~, where bricks are made; railway~, space near station where rolling-stock is kept, trains made up, etc.; stock~, where cattle are penned; tan~, tanning-ground); || the Y~, SCOTLAND YARD; ~man, ~master, man working in, manager of, railway~. 2. v.t. Put (cattle) into stock~, so ~ASM(4) n. [doublet of

¹GRADEN; OE *geard*, cf. Du. *gaard*, G *garten*, L *hortus*, Gk *khortos*]

yarn, n., & v.i. 1. Any spun thread esp. of kinds prepared for weaving, knitting, or rope-making (~beam or roll, on which warp-threads are wound for weaving), 2. (colloq.). Story, traveller's tale, anecdote, rambling discourse, (*spin a ~*, ~s, tell ~s). 3. v.i. (colloq.). Tell ~s. [OE *gearn*, cf. Du. *garen*, G *garn*; cogn. w. Gk *khordē* CORD]

yā'rrow (-ō), n. Common perennial herb with pungent smell & astringent taste, milfoil. [OE *garwe*, cf. Du. *gerwe*, G *garbe*]

yāsh'māk, n. Veil worn by Moslem women in public. [Arab.]

yāt'aghan (-gān), n. Mohammeden sword without guard or cross-piece. [Turk.]

yaw, v.i., & n. (naut., aeron.). 1. (Of ship or aircraft) fail to hold straight course, fall off, go unsteadily. 2. n. Deviation of ship etc. from course. [cf. ON *jaga* swing] || **yawl**¹, v.i., & n. (rare). Howl, yell. [ME *youlen*, imit.]

yawl², n. Kinds of small boat, esp. ship's jolly-boat with four or six oars; two-masted fore-&-aft sailing-boat with mizen-mast stepped abaft the rudder post; kind of fishing-boat. [f. Du. *jol*, cf. Da. *jolle*; jolly-boat is perh. of same orig.]

yawn, v.i. & t., & n. 1. (Of chasm etc.) gape, be wide open, (*a ~ing gulf, rent, etc.*; *hell ~s for him*), (of person or animal) open the mouth wide as effect of drowsiness, boredom, etc.; utter or say with a ~ (~ed *goodnight*; 'What is the use?' he ~ed). 2. n. Act of ~ing. Hence ~ingly¹ adv. [OE *geanian*, *gintian*, cf. ON *gīna*, MDu. *gēnen*]

yaws (-s), n. pl. Framboesia. [†]

yclēpt¹, a. (arch., joc.). Called (so-&-so). [Y-, obs. clepe call, OE *cliptian*, -nd¹]

ye (yē or yī acc. to emphasis), 2nd pers. pron. pl. (cf. THOU, YOU) now only poet., arch., religious, or joc. or colloq., & almost exclusively (after confusion in 15th-18th cc.) as subjective case (*blessed are ye when men shall hate you; ye saphyrs gay; ye gods!*, int.; *ye gods & little fishes!* joc.; *go it, ye cripples!*, joc. encouragement; also written or spoken for *you* in some familiar phrr., as *How d'y'e do?*, *What d'y'e think?*, *Thank ye, I tell ye*). [Aryan; OE *gē*, *ge*, cf. Du. *gij*, G *dir*, Goth. *fus*, Gk *humeis*, Skr. *prāyām*]

yes (yā), particle & n. (arch.; pl. ~s). *Yes* (*let your communication be ~*, ~, *ay*, *ay*, *yes* & no without oaths; ~s & *noys*, arch., *ayes* & *noes*, affirmative & negative votes; ~ & ~, & moreover); indeed, *ay*, (*ready, ~sayer*). [OE *gēa*, cf. Du. & G *ja*]

yeam, v.t. & i. 1. Bring forth (lamb, kid), bring forth lamb or kid. (perh. -Y- & OE *dean*ian, perh. cogn. w. *ewe*)

yeam'ling, n. Young lamb or kid. [-ling²]

year, n. 1. Time occupied by the earth in one revolution round the sun (also

astronomical, equinoctial, natural, solar, tropical, ~; 365d. 5h. 48' 46" in length) or (*astral or sidereal ~*, longer by 20' 28") by the sun in recovering its previous apparent relation to the fixed stars or (*Platonic or Great or Perfect ~*, estimated by ancient astronomers at about 20000 ~s) by the celestial bodies in recovering their relative positions at the Creation. 2. Period of days (esp. *common ~* of 365 or *leap ~* or *bissextile ~* of 366 reckoned from 1st Jan.) used by community for dating or other purposes commencing on a certain day & corresponding more or less exactly in length to the astronomical ~ (also *legal, civil, calendar, ~*; *lunar ~*, of 12 lunar months; *LUNI-SOLAR ~*; *NEW*¹, *OLD, ~*; *Gregorian, Julian, ~*, as fixed by *GREGORIAN, JULIAN, calendars*; *SABBATHICAL ~*; *~* of GRACE, *of our LORD*; *in the ~ 1950*; *in the ~ 1*, lit., & = very long ago; *from ~ to ~*, *~ by ~*, as ~s go by, each ~; *~ in ~ out*, right through the ~, continuously). 3. Period of the same length as a civil ~ commencing at any day (*Christian, Church, ecclesiastical, ~*, round of sacred seasons reckoned from & to Advent; *the fiscal ~*, reckoned from 1st April for taxing purposes; *the school ~*, ~s school terms usu. reckoned from beginning of autumn term; *a ~ & a day*, period specified in some legal matters; *was away for two ~s*; *it is ~s since we met*). 4. pl. Age, time of life, (*young for his ~s*, bearing age lightly; *in ~s*, old). 4. ~ *book*, annual publication bringing information on some subject up to date; *~ long*, lasting a ~. [OE *gēar*, cf. Du. *jaar*, *G Jahr*, ON *dr*; cogn. w. Gk *hēros*, *hōra*, season]

year'ling, n. & a. 1. Animal more than one & less than two years old; (*Racing*) colt a year old dating from 1st Jan. of year of foaling. 2. adj. A year old, having existed or been so & so for a year, (*~ heifer, bride*). [-LING¹]

year'ly, a. & adv. (Occurring etc.) once a year or every year or by or for the year, annual(ly). [-LY¹, ²]

yearn (yērn), v.i. & (impers., arch.) t. Be filled with longing or compassion or tenderness (*for or after rest, home, affection, etc.*; *to do; towards or to person etc.*), whence ~ING¹ n., ~ING² a., ~INGLY² adv.; || *it ~s me*, arch., I ~ or am troubled. [OE *gieran*, cf. ON *gírna*, G *begehren*, desire; cogn. w. Gk *khairō* rejoice, L *hortari* exhort]

yeast, n. Yellowish frothy viscous substance consisting of fungous cells developed by germination in contact with saccharine liquids & producing alcoholic fermentation, used in brewing beer, making wine, distilling spirit, & raising bread etc.; *~ powder*, substitute for ~ used in bread-making. [OE *gist*, cf. Du. *gist*, G *gicht*; cogn. w. Gk *zēō* boil]

yeast'y, a. Frothy like yeast (*~y waves* etc.); in a ferment, working like yeast, (*a ~y conscience, turmoil, imagination*); wordy, superficial, (*a ~y fellow; ~y talk, professions*). Hence ~INESS n. [-Y¹]

***yegg, n. (sl.).** (Also ~man) travelling burglar or safe-breaker. [†]

yelk. See YOLK.

yēll, v.i. & t., & n. (Make, utter with) shrill cry of pain or anger or fright, high-pitched shout, or uncontrollable burst of laughter (*~ed with pain, fury, delight, laughter; ~ out an oath, orders; ~ed cyresses, my name, a refusal, defiance; with ~s of horror* etc.); (U.S. Univ.) organized cry used by students e.g. in encouraging their representatives in athletic contests. [OE *gellan*, cf. Du. *gillen*, G *gellen*]

yēll'ow (-ō), a. (~er, ~est) & n., & v.t. & i. 1. Of the colour between green & orange in the spectrum, coloured like buttercup or primrose or lemon or sulphur or gold, (with many names of plants, animals, etc., as ~ rattle, wagtail, ochre, jaundice; often also in comb. with parts of body etc., as ~-bill, ~-head, ~-legs, ~-root, ~-rump, ~-seed, ~-shanks, ~-tail, ~-throat, ~-top, ~-wood, forming animal & plant names; || ~ boy, obs. sl., gold coin; ~ cartilage, elastic kind forming artery-walls etc.; ~ fever, or Jack, tropical fever with jaundice & black vomit; ~ jacket, state garment in China for royal persons & subjects selected for high honour; the SEER & ~ leaf; ~ men, races, etc., Chinese, Japanese, Mongols, etc.; ~ metal, brass of 60 parts copper & 40 parts zinc; the ~ peril, the danger that the ~ races may overwhelm the white or overrun the world; the ~ press, sensational newspapers esp. of chauvinistic tendencies, orig. of U.S. newspapers urging war with Spain 1898; ~ spot, point of acutist vision in retina). 2. (fig.). (Of looks, mood, feelings, etc.) jealous, envious, suspicious; (colloq.) cowardly. 3. || ~back, cheap novel in ~ paper boards common in mid-19th c., also French novel in ~ paper cover; ~-gum, infants' black jaundice; ~(h)ammer, bunting with ~ head & neck & breast [hammer prob. not a corruption, but of separate orig.]; hence ~ISH¹(2) (-ōl-), ~Y² (-ōl), aa., ~NESS (-ōn-) n. 4. n. ~ colour; kinds of ~ pigment; (colloq.) cowardice; kinds of moth & butterfly; the ~s, jaundice, (arch.) jealousy, *a peach-disease. 4. vb. Turn ~ (paper ~ed with age; the ~ing leaves). [OE *geolu*, cf. Du. *geel*, G *gelb*, L *helvus*; cogn. w. GALL¹]

yēlp, v.i., & n. (Utter) cry (as) of dog in pain or in eager anticipation. [OE *gūpan* boast, cf. LG *galpen* croak]

yēn, n. (pl. yen). Japanese monetary unit. [Jap., f. Chin. *yüan* round, dollar]

yeo'man (yō-), n. (pl. -men). 1. (hist.). Person qualified by possessing free land of 40/- annual value to serve on juries,

vote for knight of shire, etc. 2. || Small landowner, farmer, person of middle class engaged in agriculture; || member of the yeomanry force. 3. (nav.). || ~ of signals, petty officer in branch concerned with visual signalling; *petty officer performing clerical duties on board ship. 4. ~('s) service, help in need; ~ of the guard, BEEFEATER. Hence ~LY¹ a. [ME *yoman*, *yeman*, prob. = YOUNG + MAN]

yeo'manrý (yō-), n. Yeomen; || volunteer cavalry force raised from farmers etc. [-RY]

-yer, suf. seen in *lawyer*, *sawyer*, *bowyer*, arising f. the use in ME of the suf. *-ien* in place of *-en* in causal vbs & vbs formed on nn. Thus OE *lufu* n. love gave *lufian* vb & in ME *lowien*, whence *lower* n. as var. of *lover*. *Lawyer*, *sawyer*, *bowyer*, are formed on this anal. direct f. the nn. *law* etc.

yē'tcum. See MUDAR. [Tamil]

yēs, particle equivalent to affirmative sentence, & n. (pl. ~es). 1. The answer to your question is affirmative, it is as you say or as I have said, your request or command will be complied with, the statement made or course intended is correct or satisfactory, (~ d', ~ or, forms for substituting stronger phr., as *I could endure*, ~, & *enjoy it: he would beat me*, ~, or *you either*; ~?, indeed?, is that so?); (in answer to summons or address) I am here, I hear or am attending to you, (~?, what more have you to say?). 2. n. The word or answer ~ (say ~, consent; *confine yourself to ~ d' no or ~es d' noes*); ~man (colloq.), characterless, obedient, weakly acquiescent person. [OE *gēse*, *gise*, prob. = *gēa* yea + *sī* s. pres. subj. of *bēon* BE]

yēs'ter- in comb. (1) in ~day n. & adv., (on) the day before today (he arrived ~day; is but of ~day, of recent origin; the day before ~day, n. & adv.; often attrib. as ~day morning); (2) chiefly poet. with sense of ~day, in comps serving as nn. & adv. for which ordinary usage prefers ~day — or last —; so ~morning (usu. ~day morning), ~eve, ~evening, (Sc.) *yeastreen*, (usu. ~day evening), ~night (usu. last night); (3) poet. w. sense last past in ~year n. & adv. (usu. last year). [OE *geostra* usu. in *geostran dæg* yesterday, cf. Du. *gisteren*, G. *gestern*; cogn. w. L. *hesternus*, Gk *khthēs*, Skr. *hyds*; for -ter see -THER]

yēt, adv. & conj. 1. As late as now or then, with continuance to this or to that time, still, (there is ~ time; is he ~ alive?; there is life in the old dog ~; much ~ remains to be done; there is one ~ missing; his hands were ~ red with blood; his ~ unfinished task; I seem to see him ~; while it was ~ morning). 2. (With neg. context) so soon as now or then, by this or by that time, so far, in the immediate future, (it is not

time ~; is he dead ~?; they have not ~ heard; I have never ~ lied; the largest ~ found; haven't you learnt ~ that fire burns?; need you go ~?; it will not happen just ~; these things are not ~). 3. Again, in addition, (~ once more or ~ once; another & ~ another; ~ again; more & ~ more); (with nor) either (won't listen to me nor ~ to her). 4. Before the matter is done with, before all is over, in the time that still remains, (he will win, I will be even with you, ~). 5. (With compar.) even (a ~ more difficult, easier, task). 6. Nevertheless, and in spite of that, but for all that, (though they curse, ~ bless thou; & having nothing, ~ hath all; it is strange, & ~ it is true; strange & ~ true; the logic seems sound, but ~ it does not convince me). 7. As ~, up to now or then (esp. w. suggestion that the statement would not be true of later time; it has worked well as ~; a conscience as ~ clear). 8. conj. But at the same time, & ~, (~ what is the use of it all?; faint ~ pursuing; a rough ~ ready helper). [OF *giet*, cf. OFris. *iela*]

yew, n. (Wood of) kinds of slow-growing dark-leaved evergreen tree (also ~tree) often planted in graveyards & used formerly for making bows & still in cabinet-making. [OE *iw*, cf. G *eibe*]

Yg(g)'drasil (ig-), n. (Scand. myth.). Tree whose roots & branches bind together heaven & earth & hell. [ON *yg(g)drasil* perh. f. *Ygg* name of Odin + *drasil* horse]

Yidd'ish, a. & n. (In) a form of old German (with words borrowed from many modern languages) spoken by Jews in or from Slavonic countries. [f. G *jüdisch* Jewish]

yield, v.t. & i., & n. 1. Produce or give or bring as fruit or result (earth ~s her increase; land ~s good crops; investment ~s 5%; tax ~s a handsome revenue, little; sin ~s bitter fruit); (abs., of land etc.) repay cultivation etc. well, poorly, etc. 2. Give up, deliver over, surrender (trans.), resign (trans.), comply with demand for, concede, (~ fortress etc.; ~ oneself prisoner; ~ possession, one's pride of place; ~ precedence to; ~ the palm, be surpassed; ~ submission, consent, submit, consent; ~ up the ghost, die; ~ the point, concede it in argument); surrender (intr.), make submission to, give consent or change one's course in deference to, comply with demand (whence ~ING² a., ~INGLY¹ adv.), be inferior or confess inferiority to, (town ~ed without awaiting assault; ~ to superior force, persuasion; courage never to submit or ~; I ~ to none in appreciation of his merits). 3. n. Amount ~ed or produced, output, return. [OE *gielden* pay, cf. Du. *gelden*, G *gellen* be worth]

-yl, suf. (chem.) used to form wds denoting a RADICAL. [f. Gk *aulis* material, substance]

yl'ang-yi'ang (əl', -əl'), n. Malayan tree from the flowers of which a perfume is distilled; the perfume itself. [Tagalog *dlang-llang*]

yōd'el, v.t. & i. (-ll-), & n. 1. Sing (t. & i.), make melodious inarticulate sounds, with frequent changes between falsetto & normal voice in the manner of Swiss & Tyrolean mountaineers. 2. n. ~ling cry, match of ~ling. [f. G dial. *jodeln*]

yōg'a, n. Hindu system of philosophic meditation & asceticism designed to effect the reunion of the devotee's soul with the universal spirit. [Hind. f. Skr., =union]

yogh (yōχ), n. The middle-English letter *y* used for certain values of *g* & *y*. [prob. f. ME *ȝoc* yoke, as beginning with the sound]

yōg'i (-gi), n. Devotee of yoga. Hence **yōg'ism** (3) (-g-) n. [Hind. (YOGA)]

yō-heave-hō, **yohō**, int. used by sailors in heaving together.

yoicks int. & n., **yoick** v.i. & t. Fox-hunter's halloo; (vb) cry yoicks, urge (hounds) on etc. with it. [?]

yōke, n., & v.t. & i. 1. Wooden cross-piece fastened over necks of two oxen etc. & attached to the plough or wagon that they are to (help to) draw; (Rom. Hist.) uplifted ~ or arch of three spears symbolizing it under which defeated enemy was made to march (*send, pass intr., under the ~*); (fig.) sway or dominion or servitude (*submitted to his ~*; *the heavy ~ of opinion*; *had never endured the ~*); (fig.) bond of union esp. the marriage tie. 2. Pair of oxen etc. (|| ~ of land, arch., as much as one ~ of oxen can plough in a day). 3. Piece of timber shaped to fit person's shoulders & support pall etc. at each end. 4. Separately made shoulder-piece of shirt or coat or blouse, or waist-piece of skirt, from which the rest is suspended. 5. Cross-bar on which bell swings; cross-bar of rudder to whose ends ropes are fastened; coupling-piece of two pipes discharging into one; kinds of coupling or controlling piece in machinery. 6. ~bone, cheek-bone connecting bones of head & face; ~fellow, ~mate, partner in marriage, work, etc.; ~lines, -ropes, with which rudder ~ is worked. 7. vb. Put ~ upon; couple or unite (esp. pair) in marriage or otherwise, link (one to another); (intr.) match or work together (*together, with*, or abs.; *do not ~ well*). [Aryan; OE *geoc*, Du. *juk*, G *jock*, L *jugum* (cf. *jugere* join), Gk *zeugon*, Skr. *yugd-m*]

yōk'el, n. Rustic, country bumpkin. [f. 18th c., etym. dub.]

yolk (yōk), (now rare) **yēlk**, n. Yellow part of egg; sebaceous secretion from skin of sheep, wool-oll; ~bag, -sac, membrane enclosing ~ of egg. Hence (-) ~ed² (yōkt), ~² (yōk't), aa. [OE *geolca* (YELLOW)]

|| **yōn**, a., adv., & pron. 1. Yonder (a. & adv.; arch. or poet. or provincial). 2. pron. (arch. etc.). Yonder person or thing. [OE *geon*, cf. G *jener*, ON *enn*]

yōn'der, a. & adv. (Situated) over there, in the direction towards which I am looking or pointing, within or conceived as within view but distant. [ME (prec., -*ther*)]

yōfe, n. Old times (now only in *of ~*, formerly, in or of old days). [OE *petra* long ago, etym. dub.]

Yōrk', n. ~ & Lancaster, rival royal houses & parties in the Wars of the Roses (~ & Lancaster rose, parti-coloured kind); House of ~, kings Edw. IV-Rich. III; ~ stone, kind used in building.

yōrk', v.t. Bowl with yorker. [back form.]

yōrk'er, n. Ball so bowled as to pitch immediately in front of batsman's block (also *tice*). [prob. f. *York*, as introduced in Yorkshire, -*er*¹]

Yōrk'ist, a. & n. (Adherent) of family descended from Edmund Duke of York son of Edward III, or of the White-rose party fighting for it in Wars of the Roses. [-*ist*]

Yōrk'shire (-er), n. County (~ flannel, undyed; ~ *grit*, stone used in polishing marble; ~ *pudding*, batter baked under & eaten with meat esp. beef; ~ stone, kind used in building; ~ *terrier*, small shaggy toy kind).

you (ū or yōb acc. to emphasis), 2nd pers. pron. sing. (w. pl. vb) & pl. (arch. etc. subj. pl. YE; arch. etc. sing. THOU, thee; possess. YOUR, YOURS). 1. The person(s) or thing(s) addressed (~ are mad, an angel, all fools; *who sent ~?*; *I choose ~ three*; *the rest of ~ can stay here*; ~ & I or me; ~'re another, vulg., retort to one who calls names; occas. expressed w. imperat., as *don't ~ go away*, *begin ~* or ~ *begin*; as voc. w. n. in apposition = exclamatory statement, as ~ *fool!*, ~ *darling!*, occas. w. ~ appended also, as ~ *idiot ~!*; as voc. calling attention, as ~ *there*, *what is your name?*). 2. (arch.). Yourself (*get ~ gone*, *begone*; ~ *should find ~ a wife*; *sit ~ down*). 3. (In general statements) one, any one, all concerned, every one, a person, (~ *never can tell*; *what are ~ to do with a child-like this?*; *it is bad at first, but ~ soon get used to it*; *there's a shot for ~*). [OE *ēow* acc. & dat. of *YE*, supplanting *ye* f. more frequent use of obj. case, & *thou* & *thee* (cf. similar substitutes in F, G, It.) as more courteous form]

young (yŭ-), a. (~er, ~est, pr. -ngg-), & n. (only in collect. sing.). 1. Not far advanced in life or growth or development, of recent birth or origin or formation, not yet old, still vigorous, immature, youthful, inexperienced, (a ~ child, man, animal, plant, nation, institution; a ~ family, of ~ children; a ~ person, ser-

vants' phr. for unknown ~ woman of lower classes; *the ~ person*, those whose innocence must be shielded from the indecent in talk & literature; ~ *people*, esp. the marriageable; *my etc. ~ man or woman*, sweetheart; *the night, year, century, is yet ~*, still near its beginning; *old head on ~ shoulders*; ~ & *old*; *you ~ rascal etc.*, usu. in playful address to child; *a ~ man in a hurry*, esp. ardent reformer; ~ *for his years*; *men are now ~ at fifty*; *an old man but a ~ convert*; ~ *BLOOD*¹; ~ *er son*, esp. member of noble family poor owing to primogeniture; ~ *things*, often indulgently etc. of persons; *is ~ in crime*, unpractised; ~ *Jones*, esp. Jones the son; ~ *'un*, youngster, often as voc.; in *my ~ days*, while I was ~; ~ *love, ambition*, etc., felt in or characteristic of youth; *the ~er* before or after name of person to be distinguished from another, as *the ~er Pitt*, *Teniers the ~er*; so *the ~ PRETENDER*; ~ *England, Ireland, Italy*, etc., especially as names of political parties claiming to speak for the rising generation; *Y ~ Turks*, esp. the party that in 1908 forced the Sultan to restore the constitution; ~ *ers* occas. as n. pl. opp. *elders*, as *is kind to his ~ers*. Hence ~ *ISH*¹(2) a., ~ *LING*¹ n. (poet.). 2. n. Offspring esp. of animals before or soon after birth (*with ~*, pregnant; *cares for, deserts, its ~*). [Aryan; OE *geong*, Du. *jong*, G. *jung*, W. *ieunc*, L. *juvenis*, Skr. *yuvan-*] **you'ngster** (yū-), n. Child, esp. active or lively boy. [-STER]

you'nker (yū-), n. Youngster (arch. or colloq.); = *JUNKER*. [f. MDu. *jonckher* (*jone* young, *here* lord)]

your (ūr, yōr, yer, acc. to emphasis), attrib. a. Of, belonging to, spoken of by, done to or by, you (~ *danger, hat, expectations*; so *this is ~ immaculate saint!*; ~ *dismissal of him, by him*; ~ *father & mine*; ~ & *my father, fathers*; cf. foll.); (colloq. & chiefly arch., now usu. w. depreciatory implication) much talked of, well known, familiar, (no one so fallible as ~ *expert in handwriting*; ~ *facetious bore is the worst of all*). [OE *ēower* genit. pl. of *WE*]

yours (ūr, yōr), pron. & pred. a. 1. The one(s) belonging to or of you (*my father & ~*; ~ & *my father, erron. for your &*; *my father is not ~*; *I like ~ better*; ~ *is the only way*; *am no child of ~*; *that cough of ~*; *some friends of ~*; *you & ~*, you & your family, property, etc.; ~ *is to hand*, your letter has come; so ~ *of the 11th etc.*). 2. adj. Belonging to you, at your service, (*it is ~ if you will accept it*; *ever ~*, ~ *truly, FAITHFULLY, OBEDIENTLY*, etc., epistolary formulae preceding signature; ~ *truly, joo, I, as but ~ truly was not taking any, I refused etc.*); *what's ~?* (colloq.), what will you drink? [prec., -*xs*, see *OURS*]

yourself (ār- etc., as in *YOURS*, pron. (pl.

-*des*). (Emphat.) you in person, in particular, in your normal state, & not another or others, or alone (usu. in apposition w. you except in commands, & either next after it or later, rarely substituted for it; *please see to it ~ or yourselves*; *you ~ said so or you said so ~*; ~ *have said it*, arch., poet., etc.; *by ~*, alone, as *why are you sitting by ~?*, also unaided, as *you cannot do it by yourselves*; *it is ~ I want, not your money*; *how's ~?*, sl., how are you?, esp. after answering similar inquiry; *be ~*, colloq., pull ~ together; *you are not quite ~ tonight*, are out of humour etc.); (refl.) the person(s) previously described as you, or to whom a command is addressed (*have you hurt ~?*; *you seemed pleased with yourselves*; *ask ~ whether it is not true*). [YOUR, SELF]

youth (ūth), n. (pl. *yr, ūdhs*). Being young, adolescence, (the vigour or enthusiasm or weakness or inexperience or other characteristic of) the period between childhood & full manhood or womanhood. (*has all the appearance of extreme ~*; *in my hot, raw, vigorous, etc. ~*; *from ~ onwards*; ~ *a stuff will not endure*; *the secret of perpetual, of keeping one's, ~*; *the ~ of the world, early times*), whence ~ *FUL* (ūth-) a., ~ *FULLY*¹ adv., ~ *FULNESS* n.; young man (as a ~ of 20; *promising, lanky, etc., ~s*); young men & women (the ~ of the country; *loves to be surrounded by ~*; *our ~ are infected with commerciality*); ~ *hostel*, place where hikers etc. can put up for the night. [OE *geoguth* (YOUNG, -TH)]

yowl. Var. of *YAWL*¹.

ytterb'ium, n. (chem.). Rare-earth metallic element. Hence ~ *IC* a. [*Ytterby* in Sweden, -IUM]

ytt'r'ium, n. (chem.). Rare-earth metallic element. Hence ~ *IC*, ~ *IOUS*, aa., ~ *O*-comb. form. [as prec.]

yucc'a, n. Kinds of American white-flowered liliaceous plant. [Carib]

Yugoslav. See *JUGOSLAV*.

yule (ūl), n. The Christmas festival (also ~ *tide*, ~ *log*, burnt on Christmas Eve). [OE *geol*, cf. ON *jól*, etym. dub.]

Z

Z (zēd; *zē), letter (pl. *Zs, Z's, zeds*); (Alg.; z) third unknown quantity (cf. *o, x*).

Zād'kiel, n. (Used for) a popular astrological almanac founded by R. J. Morrison (d. 1874), who adopted this pseudonym. **zā'fire** (-er), **zā'fer**, n. Impure oxide of cobalt used in making cobalt-blue & as blue pigment in enamelling & porcelain-painting. [f. F *safr*, etym. dub.]

Zām'bō. Var. of *SAMBO* (in first sense). **zān'y**, n. (Hist.) attendant clown; awkwardly mimicking chief clown in shows, merry andrew; (mod.) person given

buffoonery, foolish jester, half-witted person. [f. F *zani* f. It. *zanni* abbr. of *Giovanni* John]

Zānzibār'ī, n. & a. (Native) of Zanzibar.

zāp'tieh (-ī), n. Turkish policeman. [f. Turk. *qābīyeh* f. Arab. *qābī* administration]

Zarathustr-. See ZOROASTRIAN.

zari'ba (-rē-), -rēb'a, n. Hedged or palisaded enclosure for protection of camp or village in the Sudan etc. [f. Arab. *zarība* pen]

sax. Var. of **SAX**.

zeal, n. Earnestness or fervour in advancing a cause or rendering service, hearty & persistent endeavour. So *ze'ous* (zēl-) a., *ze'ously* adv. [ME *zele* f. L f. Gk *zēlos*]

zeal'ot (zēl-), n. Uncompromising or extreme partisan, fanatic, (Z~, one of a Jewish sect resisting the Romans A.D. 6-70). Hence *ze'ry* (4) n. [f. eccl. L f. Gk *zēlōtēs* (prec., -ot²)]

zebec(k). Var. of **KEBEC**.

zēb'ra, n. Kinds of striped quadruped (true or mountain ~, Burchell's ~, quagga) allied to ass or horse; (attrib., & in comb. w. names of animals etc.) striped like ~ (~ *markings*, ~ *caterpillar*, ~ *woodpecker*, ~ *wood*, etc.). Hence **zēb'rīnē** 'a. [Congolesic]

zēb'ū, n. The E.-Ind. humped ox. [F (zē-)]

zēd, n. Letter Z. [f. F *zède* f. L f. Gk *zēta*]
zēd'oary, n. Kinds (*long*, *round*, ~) of aromatic gingerlike substance made from rootstock of E.-Ind. plants & used in medicine, perfumery, & dyeing. [f. med. L *zedoarium* f. Arab. *zedwār*]

zēti'geist (tsitgl-), n. Spirit of the times, drift of thought & feeling in a period. [G]
zēlōs'o, mus. direction. With fervour. [It.]

zēmin'dār, n. (Anglo-Ind.). (Hist.) district governor & revenue-farmer under Mogul empire; (later) Indian landed proprietor paying land-tax to British government. [Hind., f. Pers. *zamīndār* *zamin* earth, *dār* holder]

zēms't'vō, n. (pl. ~s). Local elective assembly regulating affairs of district in Russia. [Russ., f. *zemlya* land]

zēna'na (-ah-), n. Part of house in which women of high-caste families are secluded in India (~ *mission*, of women visiting ~s to spread medical & other reform among inmates); (~ *cloth*), a light fabric for women's dresses. [Hind., f. Pers. *zanāna* (*san* woman, cf. Gk *gundē* & *qumār*)]

Zend, n. Ancient language of the Iranian family, allied to Sanskrit, named from the Zend-Avesta (Avesta or text & Zend or commentary) or Zoroastrian scriptures.

zēn'ith, n. Point of heavens directly above observer (opp. **NADIR**); (transf.) highest point, time, or place of greatest power or

prosperity or happiness, (*is at his, is, the, ~*); ~ *distance*, arc intercepted between any body & ~, complement of body's altitude. Hence *ze'AL* a. [f. OF *cenit* f. Arab. *samt* (*ar-rās*) way (of the head)]

zē'olite, n. Any one of a number of minerals consisting mainly of hydrous silicates of lime, soda, & alumina, commonly found in the cavities of igneous rocks. [f. Gk *zeō* boil + *-LITE*; from their characteristic swelling & fusing before the blowpipe]

zēph'yr (-er), n. 1. The west wind personified (Z~); balmy breeze, light wind.

2. Athlete's thin gauzy jersey for running, rowing, boxing, etc. in; kinds of dress-material. [f. L f. Gk *zephyros* west wind]

Zēpp'elin, n. (colloq. *Zēpp*). Large dirigible airship of type built, orig., for military use in Germany. [Count ~, inventor]

zēr'ō, n. (pl. ~s). Figure 0, cipher; no quantity or number, nil; starting-point in scales from which positive & negative quantity is reckoned (~ in thermometers, freezing-point of water or other point selected to reckon from; *absolute* ~ in temperature, point at which the particles whose motion constitutes heat would be at rest, estimated at -273.7° C.); (Mil.) point of time from which the start of each movement in a timed programme is at a specified interval; lowest point, bottom of scale, nullity, nadir; *fly at* ~ (under 1,000 ft.) [It., contr. of *zeftro* f. Arab. as *CIPIER*]

zēst, n. Piquancy, stimulating flavour, (esp. fig.; *adds a ~ to*); keen enjoyment or interest, relish, gusto, (*entered into it with* ~). [earlier sense *shred* of *lemon-peel*; OF, = skin of walnut kernel, etym. dub.]

zēt'a, n. Greek letter (Z, ζ) = z. [Gk (zē-)]

zētēt'ic, n. (rare). Proceeding by inquiry. [f. Gk *zētētikos* (zēlō seek, -ic)]

zeug'ma, n. (gram.). Figure of speech in which a verb or adjective does duty with two nouns to one of which it is strictly applicable while the word appropriate to the other is not used (e.g. *kill the boys & so. destroy the luggage* with *weeping eyes* & so. *grieving hearts*; cf. **SYLLEPSIS**). Hence **zeugmāt'ic** a. [Gk (genit. -atos), f. *zeugnumi* yoke, -m]

Zeus, n. (Gk *Aht.*). King of the Olympian gods. [Gk]

zib'ēt, n. The Asiatic or Indian civet. [f. med. L *zibethum* as *CIVET*]

zig'zāg, a., n., adv., & v.i. (-gg-). 1. With abrupt alternate right & left turns, with alternating salient & re-entrant angles, with motion as of tacking ship, (*a ~ line, course, road, fence, trench, flash of lightning*). 2. n. ~ *line* or (esp. for mounting steep hill) road or (in sieges) set of trenches. 3. adv. With ~ *course*. 4. v.i. Go ~. [F, etym. dub., cf. G *sickack*]

zill'ah (-a), n. Administrative district in British India. [Hind. *zilah* f. Arab. *ḏīlāḥ*]

zinc, n., & v.t. 1. A white metallic element much used in the arts esp. as component of brass & German silver, as roofing material, as coating for sheet iron (cf. GALVANIZE), in electric batteries, & in relief-printing blocks (*flowers of ~* or *~ oxide*, powder used as white pigment & in kinds of ointment & cement); hence (spelt, before -i-, with -o- or -k- or -ck-) *~ic*, *~iferous*, *~oid*, aa., *~ify* v.t.; *~ification* n., *~ous* (esp. of negative pole of voltaic battery), *zink'y*¹, aa., *~o*-comb. form. 2. v.t. (-k- or -ck-). Coat with ~. [f. G *zink* etym. dub.]

zinc'ō, n. (pl. ~es), & vb. = ZINCOGRAPH. [abbr.]

zinc'ograph (-ahf), n., & v.i. & t. 1. Zinc plate with design etched in relief on it for printing from, picture taken from it. 2. vb. Kitch (t. & i.) on zinc, reproduce (design) thus. So *~ō'raphy*, *~ō'rapher*, nn., *~ograph'ic* a. [ZINCO-, -GRAPH]

zinc'otype, n. = prec. n. [as prec., TYPE]

Zing'arō (-ngg-), n. (pl. -rī). Gipsy. [It.]

zinn'ia, n. Kinds of composite plant with showy rayed flowers of deep red & other colours. [J. G. Zinn German botanist, -1A¹]

Zi'on, n. (Holy hill of) ancient Jerusalem; the Hebrew theocracy; the Christian Church; the Heavenly Jerusalem or kingdom of heaven, whence *~wards* adv.; || (name for) nonconformist chapel. [f. eccl. L *Sion* f. Heb. *Tsiyōn* orig. hill]

Zi'on'ism, n. A movement resulting in the re-establishment of a Jewish nation in Palestine. So *~ist*. -ISM(3)

zip, n. Light sharp sound, as of bullet passing through air, the sudden tearing of cloth, etc.; (fig.) energy, 'pop'; *~fastener*, (also *zipp'er*) fastening device consisting of two flexible stringers operated by means of the constriction of a sliding clip pulled between them. [imit.]

zifc'on, n. A silicate of zirconium of which some varieties (HYACINTH, JARGON²) are cut into gems. [f. F *zircon* f. Arab. *zargūn*]

zifc'on'ium, n. A metallic element found chiefly in zircon & used to alloy iron. Hence *zifc'on'ic* a., *zifc'onate*¹(3) n. [-IUM]

zith'er(n), n. Simple flat many-stringed instrument placed on table or knees & played partly with fingers of left hand & partly with plectrum in right hand. Hence *~ist*(1) n. [G (as OTHER)]

złōt'ý, n. Polish coin. [Pol.]

Zō'ar, n. Place of refuge, sanctuary. [Gen. xix]

zōd'i'ac, n. A belt of the heavens limited by lines about 8° from the ecliptic on each side, including all apparent positions of the sun & planets as known to the ancients, & divided into 12 equal parts

called *signs of the ~* (Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn(us), Aquarius, Pisces) each formerly containing the similarly named *zodiacal constellation* but now by precession of equinoxes coinciding with the constellation that bears the name of the preceding sign (e.g. the constellations Pisces, Aries, are now in the signs Aries, Taurus); (transf., now rare) complete course, circuit, or compass. [f. OF *zodiaque* f. late Gk *zōdiakos* f. *zō(i)dion* dim. of *zō(i)on* animal (*zōos* living cf. *zōō* live), -AC]

zodi'acal, a. Of, in, the zodiac (*~light*, luminous tract of sky shaped like tall triangle occas. seen in east before sunrise or in west after sunset esp. in tropics). [-AL]

zō'ētrōpe, n. WHEEL¹ of life. [Irreg. f. Gk *zōē* life, *trōpos* turn]

Zō'hār, n. A cabalistic textbook prob. of 14th c. called Bible of the Mystics. [Heb., = brightness]

zō'ic, a. Of animals; (Geol., of rocks etc.) containing fossils, with traces of animal or plant life. [f. Gk *zōikos* (*zōon* see ZODIAC, -IC)]

Zōl'a'ism, n. Absence of reserve, detailed realism, in describing the gross or immoral. So *~ist*(2) n., *~esque*¹ (-ēsk), *~is'tic*, aa. [Zola, French novelist d. 1902, -ISM]

zōll'verein (tsōl'ferin), n. Union of States having a common customs-tariff against outsiders & usu. free trade with each other. [G]

zōm'b'i(e), n. A corpse said to be revived by witchcraft. [?]

zōne, n., & v.t. 1. Belt or girdle worn round the body (chiefly arch. & poet.; *maiden* or *virgin ~*, symbol of virginity; *loose the maiden ~* of, deprive of virginity). 2. Encircling band or stripe distinguishable in colour or texture or character from the rest of the object encircled. 3. (Geog.) any of five divisions of the earth bounded by circles parallel to the equator (*frigid ~s*, N. of arctic, S. of antarctic, circle; *torrid ~*, between the tropics; *North, South, temperate ~*, between frigid & torrid ~s); area enclosed between two exact or approximate concentric circles; part of surface of sphere enclosed between two parallel planes, or of cone or cylinder between such planes cutting it perpendicularly to axis; any well-defined tract of more or less beltlike form; *~time*, local time for any longitude as opposed to Greenwich time; hence *zōn'al*, *zōn'ary*¹, *zōn'ular*¹ [-UL-], *zōn'ate*¹ (Bot., Zool.), aa., *zōn'al'y*¹ adv. 4. v.t. Encircle as or with ~; arrange or distribute by ~s. [f. L f. Gk *zōnē* girdle (*zōnnumi* gird)]

Zōō, n. (colloq.). Zoological garden, esp. that in London. [abbr.]

zōo-, comb. form of Gk *zōos* living, *zōon* an animal (see ZODIAC), = of animals, of animal life, (occas. as opp. vegetables & minerals, occas. excluding man also or especially); *zōōg'amy*, sexual reproduction; *~geōg'raphy*, zoology dealing with local distribution of animals, so *~geōg'rapher*, *~geograph'ic(al)*; *zōōg'raphy*, descriptive zoology, so *zōōg'rapher*, *~graph'ic(al)*, *zōōg'raphist*; *zōōl'atry*, religious worship of animals; *zō'olite*, fossil animal, fossilized animal substance; *zō'omancy*, divination from appearances or behaviour of animals; *~morph'ic*, dealing with or represented under animal forms, having gods of beastlike form (cf. *anthropomorphic*), so *~morph'ism*; *zō'o-phyl'e*, kinds of plantlike animal, esp. holothurians, starfishes, jelly-fishes, sea anemones, & sponges, so *~phyl'ic*, *~phylōl'ogy*, *~phylōl'ogical*, *~phylōl'ogist*; *zō'osperm*, spermatozoon, also *~spore*; *zō'ospore*, spore capable of motion, so *~spō'ric*; *zōōl'omy*, dissection or anatomy of animals other than man.

zō'oid, a. & n. 1. Of incompletely animal nature. 2. n. Organic body or cell resembling but not being animal or plant; more or less independent organism given by gemination or fission; member of compound organism. [prec., -OID]

zōōl'og'īy, n. Natural history of animals, science of their structure, physiology, classification, habits, & distribution. So **zōōlō'gICAL** a. (*~ical garden*, public garden or park with collection of animals kept for exhibition), **zōōlō'gICALY** adv., *~IST*(3) n. [ZOO-, -LOGY]

zōōm, v.i., & n. (aeron. sl.). 1. Force aeroplane to mount at high speed & steep angle. 2. n. Aeroplane's steep climb. [?]

zō'rīl, n. Carnivorous quadruped of Africa & Asia Minor allied to skunk & weasel. [f. F *zorille* f. Sp. *zorilla* (*zorra* fox)]

Zōrōās'trian, Zārathus'tr- (-thōō-), nn. & aa. (Follower) of Zoroaster, Zarathustra, or Zerduscht, (adherent) of the religious system taught by him & his followers in the Zend-Avesta based on the conflict between Ormuzd god of light & good & Ahriman god of darkness & evil, the religion of the magi & ancient Persia still held by Parsees & occas.

called *fire-worship*. Hence **Zōrōās'trian-ISM**(3), Zārathus'tr(ian)ism, nn. [f. L f. Gk *Zoroastrēs* f. Zend *Zarathustra*, -IAN]

zouave (zōb'ahv), n. 1. Member of French light-infantry corps orig. formed of Algerians & retaining Oriental uniform. 2. Woman's short jacket like that of ~ uniform. [name of tribe]

zounds (-z), int. (arch.) of indignation. [= (God's) wounds (i.e. Christ's on the cross)]

zucchett'a, -ett'ō, (tsōōk-), n. R.-C. ecclesiastic's skull-cap, black for priest, purple for bishop, red for cardinal, & white for Pope. [It. (-a), dim. of *zucca* gourd]

Zulu (zōōl'ōō), n. 1. Member, language, of a S.-Afr. Kafir tribe. 2. Rough conical straw hat formerly much worn by children in summer. [native]

zuteback (tawēb'ahk), n. Kind of biscuit rusk or sweet cake toasted in slices. [G]

Zwing'lian (tswingg-), a. & n. (Follower) of the Swiss religious reformer Zwingli (1484-1531). [-IAN]

zŷg'al, a. H-shaped (esp. of brain-fissures). [as foll., -AL]

zŷg(o)-, comb. forms of Gk *zugon* yoke: *zygapōph'yeis*, one of the processes on a vertebra serving as articulation with another; *zygoac'tyl* a. & n., *-ylous* a., (bird) with toes disposed in pairs, two toes pointing forward & two backward; *zygomorph'ous*, (of flower) divisible into similar halves only in one plane; *zyg'o-spore*, spore formed by conjugation of two similar gametes.

zŷgōm'a, n. (pl. *~la*). Bony arch of cheek, yoke-bone. Hence **zŷgomāt'ic** a. [f. Gk *zugōma*, -atos yoke(bone) f. *zugō* to yoke (prec.), -M]

zŷgōs'is, n. (biol.). = CONJUGATION. [f. Gk *zugōsis* joining (prec.)]

zŷg'ōte, n. Product of the fusion of two gametes, e.g. zygospore. [f. Gk *zugō* yoke (*zugon*)]

zŷmōsis, n. Fermentation; zymotic disease in general or any form of it. [f. Gk *zumōsis* (*zumō* ferment f. *zumē* leaven f. *zēō* boil)]

zŷmōt'ic, a. Of fermentation (~ diseases, epidemic, endemic, contagious, or sporadic diseases regarded as caused by multiplication of germs introduced from without). [f. Gk *zumōtikos* (prec., -OTIC)]

ADDENDA

NOTE

These addenda consist of (1) words not recorded in the body of the dictionary, and (2) further senses and constructions of words already treated. Additions of the latter kind, being arranged as appendages to existing articles, are readily distinguished by the absence of pronunciation, grammatical description, and etymology from the independent articles dealing with new words.

An obelus preceding an italicized word indicates a cross reference within the addenda; e.g. †*baby-sitter* s.v. *sit*. All other references are in SMALL CAPITALS.

A-bomb (ă'bôm), n. Atomic bomb. [A for ATOMIC]

above. (Also, adj.) preceding, previous, as the ~ statements.

ăbrăc'tion, n. (psycho-an.). The removal by revival & expression of the emotion associated with forgotten or repressed ideas of the event that first caused it. [AB-, REACTION]

ac'cidie (ăks-), **acĕd'ia**, nn. Sloth, torpor; despair. [f. OF *accide* f. LL *acedia* f. Gk *akēdia* (A-(7), *kēdos* care)]

accommodation. ~ *unit*, a home.

accredited. Now also used of a grade of milk.

acid¹. Hence **acid'ic** a. (chem.).

ăc'rōnym, n. Word formed from initial letters of other words (e.g. *Anzac*, *Nato*, *radar*). [ACRO- + Gk *onoma* name]

act¹. (Also) one of the series of short performances in circus or variety programme.

action (n.). ~ *committee* or *group*, (in Communist use) committee etc. that purges a society etc. of non-Communists; ~ *stations*, positions taken up by troops etc. before going into ~.

adapt. Hence (also) ~ER¹ n.

ad libitum. **ăd'līb** (ă-), v.i. (colloq.), speak extempore.

advise. (Also) inform, notify.

aero-. ~*biol'ogy*, study of airborne micro-organisms or spores; ~*plank'ton*, collective name for all the forms of minute organic life drifting in the air.

after¹. Hence ~s n. pl. (colloq.), course following main course esp. at midday meal.

afterlight (ăh'terlīt), n. Light of what is known afterwards, hindsight. [AFTER a.]

ă'gĕne, n. Nitrogen trichloride, used for whitening flour. [P]

Aglaia (ăgl'ā), n. One of the Graces. [Gk]

agree (v.t.). (Also) consent to or approve of (proposal, terms, etc.).

ahimsa (ă-him'ah), n. Non-violence or non-killing acclaimed in Hindu Scriptures as the highest form of duty. [f. Skr. a without, *himsa* injury]

aid¹. *What's (all) this in ~ of?* (colloq.), what's your object?

air¹. ~*bridge*, link between points provided by ~ transport; ~ *hostess*, stewardess on ~ liner; ~*lift*, transport of supplies etc. by ~; ~*stop*, helicopter passenger station; ~*to*~, from one ~craft to another.

alcohol. ~*ic*, (also, n.) person addicted to excessive consumption of ~.

alert. (Also v.t.) make ~, put on the ~. **Ălĕxănd'rian** (ăl-), a. Relating to the late Greek civilization of Alexandria in Egypt. [-AN]

ăl'ipĕd, a. & n. 1. Wing-footed. 2. n. ~ animal, e.g. bat. [f. L *ala* wing, *pes pedis* foot]

all. *All Blacks* (colloq.), New Zealand rugby football international team; ~ *time high*, (low), a record high, (low), level or figure; ~*up*, (of aircraft) total (weight) of machine, crew, passengers, cargo, etc., when in air.

allegle. Hence ~*ed'* (-ĕjd) a., ~'ēdlŷ¹ adv., (used in statements for which author disclaims responsibility).

ăll'emănde, n. Name of several German dances; country dance figure. [F, = German]

alpha. ~ *plus*, superlatively good.

alternate¹. ***(A)lto** n. & a., deputy (representative).

ămeri'cium (-ish-), n. Radio-active transuranic metallic element. [f. *America* + -ium]

|| **amŏrĕs'**, n. Priming charge; percussion cap for toy pistol. [F, f. OF *amŏrĕs* bite]

amphibian. (Also): (Zool.) member of the Amphibia; (tank or other vehicle) adapted for both land & water, so *amphibious* a.

amplitude. (Also): (Phys.) extent of vibration or oscillation; (Electr.) maximum departure from average of alternating current or wave.

anachronism. (Also) building etc. out of harmony with its surroundings at point of time.

án'drōgēn, n. Any substance (e.g. a male sex hormone) capable of developing & maintaining many male sexual characteristics. [f. Gk *andro-* male + *-gen*]

angel. (Also, sl.) financial backer of enterprise.

annex(e). Also, now usu., pron. *án'ēks*.

án'orák, n. Jacket of skin or cloth with hood attached, worn esp. in arctic regions. [f. Eskimo *ánorák*]

ánōx'ia, n. (med.). Deficiency of oxygen. [f. AN- (5), OX(YGEN), -IA¹]

ántibíōt'ic, a. & n. (Substance) that destroys or injures living organisms, esp. bacteria. [ANTI- (2), Gk *bios* life, -IC]

An'zūs (ā-), n. Three-power pact for Pacific security formed 1952 by Australia, New Zealand, & the United States. [f. initial letters]

apart'heid (-t-hāt), n. (S. Afr.). Racial segregation. [Afrikaans (APART, -HOOD)]

appease. (Also) try to conciliate or bribe (a potential aggressor) by making concessions, freq. with implication of sacrifice of principles.

approve. ~d school, State school for young offenders.

apron. (Also) hard-surfaced area on airfield, used for handling & (un)loading aircraft.

ā'qualūng, n. Portable diving apparatus consisting of cylinders of compressed air strapped on back & feeding air automatically through a valve to diver as he requires it. [f. L *aqua* water + LUNG]

arabesque. (Also) ballet dancer's posture in which body is bent forward on one leg with the other leg extended horizontally backwards.

arbiter. ~ *ēlēgāntiār'um* (-shī-), judge of taste. [L, lit. = judge of elegance]

arrest¹. ~or hook, hook-like device for catching on cables on deck of aircraft carrier & checking speed of aircraft as they land.

arríste (ārēvōst'), n. Careerist, parvenu. [F]

arson. Hence ~-IST n., incendiary.

ār'thrōpōd, n. (zool.). Member of *Arthropoda*, consisting of animals with jointed body & limbs. [ARTHRŌ-, Gk *pous podos* foot]

Arthūr'ian (ār-), a. Relating to King Arthur or his knights. [-IAN]

as¹. *As for*, with regard to.

ash². ~can, dustbin.

Asian (āsh'an), a. & n. (Native) of Asia. [f. L f. Gk *Asianos* (Asia, see -AN)]

aspect. (Also, Gram.) a verbal form expressing action or being in respect of its inception, duration, or completion.

asphyxia. Hence (also) ~ATION n., suffocation.

assault¹. (Also, euphem. for) rape (of woman).

assault². (Also, euphem. for) rape (woman).

assembly. ~ *line*, group of machines & workers operating on some product to be assembled.

astro-. *As'tronaut*, student or devotee of ~naut'ics, science of aerial navigation in space.

atomic. ~ *warfare* (in which ~ bombs are used).

aubergine (ōb'ērzhēn), n. Purple fruit of egg-plant. [F]

auction. (Also, v.t.) sell by ~.

aur'ēate, a. Golden, gold-coloured; resplendent. [f. L *aureatus* f. *aureus* golden f. *aurum* gold, -ATE²]

autarchy¹. Hence **autarch'ic** (AL) (-k-) aa.

autarky, **autarchy²**. Hence **autark'ic** (AL) aa., **aut'arkist** n.

auto-. *Aut'ism* n., morbid self-admiration, absorption in phantasy; *autis'tic* a.

aut'odidāct, n. Self-taught person [AUTO-, DIDACTIC]

automā'tion, n. Automatic control of the manufacture of a product through successive stages, (loosely) use of machinery to save manual labour. [Irreg. formed f. AUTOMATIC]

autostrād (a(owtostrāh'dah), n. (pl. ~e, pr. -ā). Italian arterial road. [It., = motor-car road]

aweigh' (awē), adv. (Of anchor) just lifted from ground in weighing. [A² prep. + WEIGH]

B

baby. ~-sitter, person sitting with or looking after a ~ while its parents are out.

back¹ (a.). ~drop, ~cloth; ~ground, (also, fig.) person's cultural knowledge, education, experience, etc.; ~log, reserves, arrears of unfulfilled orders; ~room boys (colloq.), men engaged in (secret) research.

back². ~pedal, (also, fig.) check a forward movement, reverse one's action; ~woodsman, [(also, fig.) peer who rarely or never attends House of Lords.

baffle. ~board, wall, devices to prevent spread of noise.

bāguette' (-gēt), n. (archit.). Small moulding like an astragal. [F, f. It. f. L *baculum* stick]

Bail'ey bridge, n. Emergency bridge designed for rapid construction. [Sir D. Bailey (b. 1901), designer]

ball¹. (Also, pl., vulg.): testicles; nonsense; *make a ~s of*, do badly, make a mess of. ~point, (of fountain pen) having a tiny ~ as its writing point.

baller'ina. (Now only or esp.) dancer taking one of the five leading classical female roles in ballet.

ballet. Hence **bāllétomāne'**, **bāllétomān'ia**, nn., enthusiast, enthusiasm, for ~ performances.

balloon¹. (Also, colloq.) ~-shaped line

enclosing words spoken by characters in strip cartoons etc.

bál'sa (or bawl-), n. American tropical tree yielding light strong wood, corkwood; raft or float. [Sp.]

band¹. ~ *wagon*, wagon for ~ of musicians esp. in circus parade, (fig.) imaginary vehicle regarded as carrying a ~ of political leaders likely to be successful (*climb on the ~ wagon*, strive to be on the winning side).

barbitur¹[ic, a. (chem.), ~ic acid, an acid from which various hypnotic and sedative drugs are derived. Hence ~ATE¹ (3) n. [f. F (-ique) f. G *barbitur(säure)*]

bard¹. Hence (also) ~ÓL'ATRY n., worship of Shakespeare, the 'B' of 'Avon'.

bash. (Also, n.) heavy blow; *have a ~ at it* (sl.), attempt it.

báth'yscaphe (-áf), n. Bathysphere. [f. Gk *bathus* deep, *scaphē* boat]

battery. (Also) series of nesting-boxes, cages, &c., in which laying hens are confined for intensive laying or poultry reared & fattened.

***bazook'a**, n. Anti-tank rocket-gun. [?] **bearer**. (Also) native carrier.

Beaufort scale (bóf-), n. Scale of wind velocity ranging from 0 (calm) to 12 (hurricane) (75 miles an hour or over). [Sir F. Beaufort, English admiral (d. 1857)]

***beb'óp**, n. Kind of jazz music. [imit.]

belly¹. ~ *ache*, (also, v.i., sl.) complain bitterly.

Bén'élux, n. Belgium, the Netherlands, & Luxembourg in association as a regional economic group; freq. attrib., as *the ~ countries*. [f. Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg]

berry¹. (Also) grain of wheat etc.

bés'orn¹ (-z-), n. (Sc.). (Term of abuse for) woman. [?]

best¹ (a.). ~ *seller*, (also) author of popular novel etc.

beta. ~ *plus*, rather better than second-class.

bēt'atrón, n. (phys.). Apparatus for accelerating speed of electrons. [f. BETA + (ELEC)TRON]

bifocal. (Also, n. pl.) ~ spectacles.

bill'on, n. Alloy of gold or silver with a predominating amount of some base metal. [f. f. *bille* BILLET¹]

biology. *Biological warfare* (involving use of living organisms esp. disease germs).

bipártisān¹ (-z-; or -pút¹), a. Of or involving two (political) parties. [B- (1 a) + PARTISAN¹]

bit¹. ~ *s & pieces* (colloq.), odds & ends.

bitch. (Also, derog.) woman, esp. a caty or treacherous one.

biz'one, n. Economic & political unit constituted by both of two zones, esp. the British & American zones of occupation in Germany after the 1939-45 war. Hence **bizón'**AL a. [B- (1 a) + ZONE]

blatant. (Also) flagrant, palpable, as a ~ lie.

bleep, n., & v.i. 1. (Sound of radio signal transmitted from) Russian earth satellite launched in 1957. 2. v.i. Transmit this signal. [imit.]

block¹. (Also) *area in town or suburb.

block². (Also) restrict use or expenditure of (currency or other asset; chiefly in p.p.). Hence ~AGE (3) n., a ~ed (up) state.

blood¹. ~ *bank*, place where supply of ~ for transfusion is stored; ~ *sports*, those involving ~shed or the killing of animals.

blot¹. ~ one's *copybook* (colloq.), stain one's character, commit an indiscretion.

blow¹. ~ *up*, (also) lose one's temper, enlarge (map, print).

blue¹. ~ *chip* attrib., (St. Exch., of shares) constituting a fairly reliable investment, though less secure than gilt-edged.

bluff¹. (Also) act of bluffing (*call person's ~*, make him show his cards, also fig.).

***bóbb'y-sóx**, n. pl. Short socks covering ankle. Hence ~ER¹ (3) n., girl wearing ~, freq. derog. of girl in early teens who is an ardent follower of film stars esp. crooners. [?]

bóff'in, n. (sl.). Man engaged in research, scientist. [?]

bóm'a, n. (Central Africa). Defensible enclosure; police or military post; magistrate's office. [Swahili]

bombard. (Also, Phys.) subject (atoms etc.) to a stream of high-speed particles:

bone¹. ~ *meal*, crushed or ground ~s used esp. as fertilizer.

boot¹ (n.). (Also) luggage-receptacle at back of body of motor-car.

border¹. ~ *line*, line of demarcation; ~(-)line adj., on the ~ line, as a ~-line case, (esp., Psych.) one verging on insanity.

bottom¹ (a.). ~ *drawer*, drawer in chest of drawers etc. in which a woman stores clothes etc. in preparation for marriage.

bounce¹. (Also, sl., of cheque) be returned to drawer when there are no funds to meet it.

***Bour'bon**¹ (boor-), n. Reactionary. [f. the ~ family, whose descendants founded dynasties in France and Spain]

box¹. ~ing-weights (revised 1951; amateur given first, professional in brackets), *Heavy-weight* over 12 st. 10 (over 12 st. 7), *Light Heavy* (or *Cruiser-weight*) 12 st. 10 (12 st. 7), *Middle-weight* 11 st. 11 (11 st. 8), *Light Middle-weight* 11 st. 2 (not a professional category), *Welter-weight* 10 st. 8 (10 st. 7), *Light Welter-weight* 10 st. (not a professional category), *Light-weight* 9 st. 7 (9 st. 9), *Feather-weight* 9 st. (9 st.), *Bantam-weight* 8 st. 7 (8 st. 6), *Fly-weight* 8 st. (8 st.).

boxer. (Also) medium-sized smooth-haired kind of dog derived from German bulldog.

bra (-ah), n. (colloq.). Brassiere. [abbr.]

bracket¹. (Also) group bracketed together (*income~, class of tax-payers grouped according to income).

brahmin. (Also, *B~*) highly cultured or intellectual person (colloq., usu. derog.).

break¹. ~ *down*, (also) analyse (cost, total, etc.) into its component items (~*down* n., such analysis); ~ *even*, emerge with neither gain nor loss.

breast¹. ~ *stroke*, stroke made while swimming on the ~ by extending the arms in front and sweeping them back.

breeze². (Also, v.i., sl.) go like a ~, move along in lively manner.

brief². (Also, n. pl., colloq.) shorts, women's panties.

brother. (Also, Bibl.) kinsman.

buffer². (Also, Nav. sl.) chief boatswain's mate.

bulge¹. (Also) temporary increase in volume or numbers.

bulk¹. ~ *buying*, purchase by one buyer of all or most of a producer's output.

***bum**². (Also, v.t.) obtain by sponging, scrounge.

bummaree. (Also) licensed porter at Smithfield meat-market in London.

Būn'a, n. Synthetic rubber made by the polymerization of butadiene. [f. *ibu*(*ta-diene*) + *na*(*trium*) sodium]

burlesque. Also: *(vulgar) variety show freq. featuring comic strip-tease.

burn². (Also) utilize nuclear energy of (uranium etc.).

būrp, n., & v.i. (sl.). Belch. [imit.]

bush¹. ~ *telegraph*, rapid spreading of information, rumour, etc.

būtādī'ēne, n. (chem.). Gas used in making synthetic rubber. [f. *ibula*(*ne*) + *DI-3* + *ENE*]

būt'āne, n. (chem.). Hydrocarbon of the methane series. [f. *BUT*(*Y-*) + *ANE*]

buy. ~ *ers' market* (in which goods are plentiful & low prices favour ~ers).

bwa'na (-*ah*-), n. (Africa). Master, sir. [Swahili]

C

caboose. (Also) *guard's van or car on goods train for workmen etc.

***cā'gey** (-i), a. Shrewd; unapproachable, not forthcoming, self-contained. Hence *cā'gilyr* adv. [?]

caldera (kahldā'ā), n. (geol.). Deep cauldron-like cavity on summit of volcano. [Sp. = cauldron]

call². (Also) a ring on or conversation over the telephone; ~ *girl*, prostitute accepting appointments by telephone.

callp'āś, n. Spontaneous topical W.-Ind. song. [?]

cam². ~ *rec'd music* (sl.), music recorded for reproduction esp. on gramophone.

clab'āts, n. Card game of S.-Amer. origin resembling rummy. [Sp. = basket]

candid. ~ *camera*, small camera for taking informal pictures of persons freq. without their knowledge.

cannibal. Hence (also) ~ *IZE* (4) v.t., use (one of a number of similar machines) to provide spare parts for the others.

canon. (Also) list of recognized genuine works of a particular author (*the Shakespearean*~).

capital (a.). ~ *goods*, goods to be used in producing commodities, opp. *goods*.

capitalise. (Also) turn to account, make use of to one's advantage.

carbon. (Also)~ *copy* (made with ~ paper).

carcass. ~ *meat*, raw meat as dist.

corned or tinned meat.

card¹. (Also) an eccentric person, a character.

career. ~ *diplomat*, professional diplomat.

carriage. ~ *way*, part of road intended for vehicular traffic.

carrier. ~ *wave*, continuous electromagnetic wave motion emitted by radio transmitter.

cartel. Hence ~ *IZE* (3) v.t. & i., combine to form a (business)~.

cartōl'ogŷ, n. Study of maps & charts. So *cartōlō'gical* a. [f. F *carte* (CARD²) + *-LOGY*]

case¹. ~ *history*, record of person's ancestry, personal history, etc., for use in determining necessary treatment etc.; ~ *work*, social work concerned with the individual.

castle¹. ~ *nut*, one with notched extension for locking pin.

cat¹. ~ *'s-eye*, (also) reflector stud on road.

catabolism. Var. of KATABOLISM.

***cayuse** (kī'ūs), n. Indian pony. [Amer. Ind.]

ceillidh (kāl'i), n. (Sc.). Informal gathering for song & story. [Gael.]

celadon. (Also) grey green glaze used on some pottery.

centrifugal. Hence (also) *cēn'trifuge* n., ~ machine rotating at very high speed, designed to separate solids from liquids, or liquids from other liquids (e.g. cream from milk).

certify. ~ *ted milk*, guaranteed free from tubercle bacillus.

chaise. ~ *longue* (lōngg; F. = long chair), kind of sofa with a rest for the back at one end only.

|| **chāi'**, n. (sl.). Tea. [f. Chin. *cha* TEA]

chee'-chee, n. (Anglo-Ind.). The affected English accent attributed to Eurasians; a Eurasian. [f. Hind. *chāi-chāi* fifth, fl.]

Chelsea. ~ *ban*, kind of rolled currant-bun.

chemōthē'rapŷ (kē-), n. Treatment of disease by chemical means. [f. *chem*(ical) + *-o* + *-THERAPY*]

chichi (shé'shē), a. & n. Frilly (thing), fussy or effeminate (person). [F]

chigg'er (-g-), n. = **CHIGOR**.

china. ~man, (Cricket) left-handed bowler's off-break to right-handed batsman.

chin'dit, n. Member of Brigadier Wingate's commando force in Burma in 1943.

chinook', n. Warm dry wind which blows on the eastern side of the Rocky Mountains. [native name]

chlōromy'cētin (kl-), n. An antibiotic used in some diseases, e.g. typhus. [f. OHLORO-², Gk mukēs fungus, -IN]

cinema. Hence cinēmat'ic a., relating to, having the qualities characteristic of, the ~.

circle¹. Run round in ~s (colloq.), be fussily busy with little result.

clever. Clever-clever, excessively ~.

climate. (Also, fig.) trend or attitude of community or era, character of something.

clinic. *(Also) 'seminar (last two meanings).

clip¹ (vb). (Also) remove small piece from (railway, bus, etc. ticket) to show that it has been used. Hence ~p'ie [-y¹] n. (colloq.), bus conductress.

|| **clōbb'er**, n. Black paste used to hide cracks in leather; (sl.) clothing, gear. [!]

cloche. (Also) glass cover (orig. bell-shaped) for forcing or protecting outdoor plants.

clōne, n. A group of plants produced vegetatively from one original seedling or stock. Hence clōn'al a. [f. Gk klōn twig, slip]

clot (n.). (Also, sl.) stupid person.

coach (n.). (Also) long-distance bus.

***cōc'a-cōl'a**, n. Aerated non-alcoholic drink. [P]

cock¹. ~salmon, male.

cōd'piece, n. (hist.). Bagged appendage to the front of men's breeches. [f. OE codd bag, PIECE¹]

coel'acanth (sē-), a. & n. (Fish) having a hollow spine. [f. COEL(0)-, Gk akantha spine, thorn]

coexistence. (Peaceful) ~, (of peoples with different political & social systems) living in mutual toleration.

collate. (Also) put together.

collect¹. (Also, colloq.) call for, fetch, as he went to ~ his suitcase.

colūmb'ium, n. (chem.). = NIUBIUM. Hence ~ITE² n., native ore of ~ium. [f. Columbia United States, -IUM]

comb². (Also) search (place) thoroughly.

comfort (n.). (Also) 'elderdown quilt.

comic (n.). (Also) ~paper.

Com'inform, n. International Communist organization established in 1947 to carry on the propaganda formerly conducted by the Comintern. [f. first elements of Russ. forms of Com(munist) Information Bureau]

common¹. ~sens'ical, possessing, marked by, ~sense.

communism. (Also, usu. C~): movement or political party advocating ~; party affirming need for a dictatorship of the proletariat, associated with the Comintern (1919-43) & the Cominform (1947-50).

compel. ~ling a., rousing strong interest or feeling of admiration.

compère. (Also, v.t.) act as ~ to.

comprehensive. ~school, large secondary school providing courses of varied kinds & lengths.

condense. Hence (also) ~ERY (3) n., factory for ~ed milk.

congruent. (Also, Math., of figures) coinciding exactly when superposed.

conquist'ador, n. Conqueror, esp. one of the Spanish conquerors of Mexico & Peru in 16th c. [Sp.]

consumer. ~resistance, = SALES resistance.

contact (n.). ~man, intermediary esp. between a Government department & the public.

contain. Hence (also) ~MENT n., (esp.) policy of building up strength against a possible enemy in the hope of eventual agreement with him.

convection. Hence ~OR² n., heating apparatus for circulating warm air.

conventional. (Also, of bombs etc.) other than atomic.

copy¹. ~writer, one who writes or prepares advertising ~ for publication.

corny¹. (Also, sl., of jokes etc.) out of date, old-fashioned.

cō'ronary, a. (anat.). Resembling, encircling like, a crown. [f. L coronarius (corona crown, -ARY¹)]

coroner. (Also) official holding inquiry in cases of treasure trove.

corsair. (Also) a pirate.

cōrt'isōne, n. Drug used for rheumatic diseases. [P]

cosh. ~boy, youth or man armed with ~.

costume (n.). ~jewellery, artificial jewellery worn for decorative purposes.

cōtērm'inous, a. Var. of CONTEMPORANEOUS. [OO-]

coun'ter-rēvol'ution (-lōd-, -lā-), n. A revolution opposed to a former one or reversing its results. Hence ~ARY¹ (-shon-) a. & n. [COUNTER- (1)]

court¹. || (Also, in a town) yard surrounded by houses & communicating with street by an entry.

cōut'arē (kōō'tūr), n. Dressmaking. Hence ~ier (kōō'tūr'ē), fem. ~ière (kōō'tūr'yā'), nn., dressmaker. [F]

cover¹. Hence (also) ~AGE n., area or amount ~ed, section of community reached by a particular advertising medium, risk ~ed by insurance policy.

cover². ~girl, girl or woman whose picture illustrates ~ of magazine etc.

crash¹ (n.). ~helmet, protective helmet of motor cyclist etc.

crave. Hence **cräv'ing**¹ n., strong desire, intense longing, (for).

creat[ic]. (Also, v.i. sl.) make a fuss (he's always ~ing about nothing).

crime passionnel (krēm' pásýónél'), n. Crime due to jealousy. [F. = crime of passion]

cross¹. ~ one's fingers or keep one's fingers ~ed, crook one finger over another to bring good luck.

cross-. ~section (fig.), a comprehensive representative sample.

***crüll'er**, n. A small cake made of dough containing eggs, butter, sugar, etc., twisted or curled & fried in fat. [f. Du. *krullen* curl]

crýp'tō, n. (colloq.). Person owing secret allegiance to a political creed etc.; esp. short for ~Communist. [as CRYPT(0)-]

cub (n.). (Also, colloq., short for) ~ reporter, young or inexperienced newspaper reporter.

cúr'ium, n. (chem.). Radio-active transuranic element. [f. Marie & Pierre Curie], French scientists, + -IUM]

curricul[um]. Hence ~AR¹ a.

cwm (kōm), n. Var. of COOMB.

cýbernēt'ics, n. Study of system of control & communications in animals & electrically operated devices such as calculating machines. [f. Gk *kubernētes* steersman, -ICS]

D

dare. (Also, n.) act of daring, challenge. || **dārg**, n. (Sc.). A day's work; a definite amount of work. [contr. f. *daywerk* or *daywork*, day-work]

dark¹. The ~ ages, (also, & esp.) the period between the break-up of the Roman Empire (A.D. 395) & the end of the 10th c.

date¹. ~line, (also) line in newspaper at head of message, special article, etc., giving ~ & place of dispatch.

datum. (Also, pl.) facts of any kind, notes. **dead** (a.). *~ pan (sl.), expressionless immobile face.

débāg', v.t. (sl. & gg-). Remove the 'bags' (=trousers) from. [DE-, BAG¹]

deck¹. (Also, sl.) the ground.

declāss'ify, v.t. Remove from secret list. [DE-]

défatt'ed, a. Deprived of its fat. [DE-]

defence. ~ in depth, system of ~ comprising successive areas of resistance.

delegate¹. ~d legislation, delegation to Ministers, by Acts of Parliament, of the power to make orders & regulations which have the force of law.

demob. ~ suit (issued to soldier etc. when demobilized after the 1939-45 war).

dēna'zifý (-ahts-), v.t. Rid of Nazism & its influence. Hence ~MOA'TION n. [DE-]

dēnā'ce-. Hence (also) **dēn'droan(1)**, **dēn'droan(2)**, aa. & ab.

denier¹. (Also, Commerc.) unit of weight by which silk & rayon yarn is weighed & its fineness estimated.

denominator. Common ~, (least) common multiple of the ~s of a number of fractions; also fig.

dérā'tion, v.t. Remove (food etc.) from rationed category. [DE-]

derelict (n.). (Also) person abandoned by society.

dérēquis'tion (-z-), v.t. Free (requitioned property). [DE-]

dē'rris, n. Kinds of tall tropical woody climbers; insecticide made from powdered tuberous root of some of t [Gk. = leather covering]

***dēsēg'régāte**, v.t. Abolish racial gation in (schools etc.). [DE-, SEGREGATE]

dēvāl'ue, v.t. Reduce the value of. Hence **dēvāl'ua'tion** n. [DE-]

deviation. Hence ~IST (-sho-) n., one who departs from strict Communist doctrine.

Diāsp'ora, n. The DISPERSION (of the Jews). [Gk. f. DIA (*spora* f. *speirō* scatter)]

differential (n.). (Also) difference in wage between industries or between skilled & unskilled workers in same industry.

digest¹. (Also) periodical synopsis of current literature or news.

dim (a.). Take a ~ view of (colloq.), regard with pessimism.

dinār' (dē-), n. Unit of currency in Iraq & Yugoslavia. [Arab. *dinār* f. L. *denarius* (see DENARIUS)]

director. (Also) elaborate gun-sight for co-ordinating fire of several guns.

dirigisme (dērēzhizm'), n. Policy of State direction & control in economic & social matters. [F (*diriger* DIRECT¹)]

dfrn'dl, n. Kind of dress imitating Alpine peasant costume with bodice & full skirt; (also ~ skirt) full skirt with tight waistband. [G, dim. of *dirne* girl]

disincē'tive, n. & a. Deterrent. [DIS-] **disinflā'tion**, n. (econ.). Deflation. Hence ~ARY¹ (-sho-) a. [DIS-]

disk. (Also) gramophone record; *~jockey (sl.), compère of radio programme of gramophone records.

distribute. (Also, Print.) separate (type that has been set up) & return each letter to its proper box in the case.

distribution. (Also, Print.) act or process of distributing type.

division. (Also) part of county or borough returning a Member of Parliament.

dollar. In 1949, as result of alteration in exchange value of pound sterling, U.S. ~ became worth about 7s.; ~ area (in which currency is linked to U.S. ~).

dope. (Also) drug etc. given to horse or greyhound to try to make it win, (v.t.) give ~ to (cf. KOBBLE).

double¹. (Also:) a throw on the narrow space enclosed by the two outer circles of a dartboard; (Racing) a bet on two horses etc. in different races, the

winnings & stake from one race being carried forward & bet on the second.
drag¹. ~ one's feet, (fig.) be slow or reluctant to do something.
drag². *(Also, sl.) influence. pull.
dragée. (Also): sugar-coated almond; small silver ball for decorating cake.
drape. (Also, n.) piece of drapery, curtain.
dress'age (-ahzh), n. Training of horse in obedience & deportment. [F, f. *dresser* train]
drey (drā), n. Squirrel's nest. [?]
dry¹. ~ up, (also, Theatr.) forget one's lines.
dub². (Also, Cinemat.) make another recording of sound-track of (film) esp. in a different language.
***dunk**, v.t. & i. Dip (bread, cake, etc.) into soup or a beverage while eating. [f. G *tunken* dip]
dust¹. ~ bowl, area denuded of vegetation by drought & overcropping, & so reduced to desert.

E

eat. Hence (also) ~^{ER} n., one who or that which ~s (*he is a big ~er, an opium-~er*), fruit that may be ~en raw.
echo¹. ~gram, record of ~-sounder (sounding apparatus for determining depth of sea beneath ship).
edge¹. Have the ~ on (sl.), have the advantage of.
Edward'ian (ēdwā'-), a. & n. 1. Of the time of any of the Edwards, Kings of England; (esp.) characteristic of Edward VII's reign (1901-10). 2. n. Person belonging to this period. [-IAN]
égalitéar'ian, a. & n. 1. Of, relating to, holding, the principle of the equality of mankind. 2. n. ~ person. Hence ~ism n. [f. F *égalitéaire* f. *égal* equal]
egg¹. ~-head (sl.), intellectual.
Elzevir. (Also) a printing type.
'em, pron. (colloq.). Them. [orig. a form of ME *hem*, dat. & acc. 3rd pers. pl.; now regarded as abbr. of *them*]
eminence. *eminence grise* (ā'mēnahnh grēz'; F, =grey cardinal), confidential agent esp. one who exercises power unofficially (applied orig. to Cardinal Richelieu's private secretary).
empire. (Also, attrib., E~) denoting a style of furniture or dress fashionable during the first (1804-15) or second (1851-70) French E~.
encode¹, v.t. Put (message) into code or cipher. [EN-]
end¹. Go (in) off the deep ~, (also) lose one's temper.
en'osis, n. Union of Cyprus with Greece. [Gk *henosis*]
ēpeirogēn'esis (-pī-), n. (geol.). Process of making continents. [Gk *ēpeiros* mainland, GENESIS]
ēp'igōne, n. Offspring of a later (& less dis-

tinguished) generation. [f. L f. Gk *epigonos* (*epi* after, + root of *gignomai* be born)]
epilogue. (Also, Radio) short religious service towards the end of some B.B.C. programmes.
equity. (Also) net value of mortgaged property after deduction of charges.
E'ratō (ē-), n. Muse of lyric poetry. [Gk *ērā'tōceous* (-shus), a. Belonging to the heath genus *Eric'a* or its family *Ericac'aceae*. [f. L f. Gk *ereikē* heath, see -ACEOUS]
Erin'ya (ē-), n. (pl. *Erinyes*, pr. ērin'īas). A Fury. [Gk]
Ern'ie (ēr-), n. Device for drawing prize-winning numbers of premium bonds. [electronic random number indicator equipment]
Er'ōs (ēr-), n. Love, god of love, Cupid. [Gk *ērōs*]
escape¹. ~ clause, one specifying conditions under which contracting party is free from obligations.
escape². Hence **ēscape'e** n., one who has ~d.
ethic. ~al, (also, of drugs) conforming to a recognized standard.
ēth'nārch (-k), n. Governor of a people or province. So ~y¹ (-ki) n. [f. Gk *ethnos* nation + *arkhō* rule]
Eumēn'ides (-ēz), n. pl. (Kuphemistic name for) Furies. [Gk, =gracious ones]
euphō'ia, **euph'or'y**, nn. Feeling of well-being. Hence **euphō'ic** a. [f. Gk *eu-* (phoria f. *pherō* bear)]
Euphrōs'ynē (or -z-), n. One of the Graces. [Gk]
eutēc'tic, a. (chem.). ~ mixture, in which the constituents are in such proportions as to solidify at one temperature (~ temperature or point) like a pure substance. [f. EU- + Gk *tekō* melt + IC]
every. ~ so often, occasionally, at intervals.
existential. Hence ~ism (3) (-shal-) n., an anti-intellectualist philosophy of life holding that man is free & responsible, based on the assumption that reality as existence can only be lived but can never become the object of thought.
expend. Hence ~able a., likely to be or meant to be sacrificed or destroyed.
ēxpertise' (-ēz), n. Expert opinion or skill or knowledge. [F]
expression'ism. So ~ist n. & a.

F

façade. (Also, fig.) frontal or outward appearance.
faculty. *(Also) staff of university or college.
fail¹. (Also) failure, one who fails, in an examination.
Falān'gist, n. Member of a Spanish Fascist organization *Falān'go*, (-ghā). [Sp. ~a f. *Falange* phalanx]

fall¹. ~-out n., airborne particles of radioactive materials from explosion of atomic or hydrogen bomb.

fascia. (Also, in full, ~ board) instrument board of motor-car.

fault (v.t.). (Also) find ~ with, blame.

favour¹. (Also, Journalism) choose to

feather¹. ~-bed v.t., make things easy for, pamper.

ferrous. (Also, more loosely) containing iron (~ & non-~ metals).

fiddle. (Also, sl.): an act of cheating; (v.t.) cheat, swindle.

filibuster. Hence ~er¹ n., a ~, one who ~s.

final. Hence ~ity v.t., complete, bring to an end.

fire¹. *~bug (colloq.), incendiary, pyromaniac.

fission. (Also, Chem.) splitting of atomic nuclei (~ bomb, atom bomb). Hence ~ABLE (-sho-) a.

fix¹. (Also) mend, repair.

flamboyant (a.). (Also) florid, ostentatious, showy.

flap (n.). (Also, colloq.) state of excitement (*be in, get into, a ~*).

flat¹. (Also, Nav.) ship's compartment on to which cabins etc. open (*after cabin, wardroom, ~*).

flicker. Hence flick n. (sl.), a cinema film, (pl.) a cinema performance (*he is going to the flicks tonight*).

flog. (Also, sl.) sell.

floor (n.). ~ show, entertainment presented not on stage but on ~ of nightclub etc.

fush¹. *Straight ~* (of cards in a regular sequence); *royal ~* (Poker), a straight ~ headed by ace.

fly¹. ~-over, (also ~-over bridge, viaduct) a bridge for carrying vehicles over traffic-congested areas, esp. over main roads.

fly². ~-past n., ceremonial flight of aircraft past some person or place, cf. MARCH¹ past.

flying. ~ saucer, saucer-like object occas. reported as having been seen flying at great speed & height.

forebear (fôr'ber), n. = FOREBEAR¹.

fore- ~name, first or Christian name.

foundation. ~ garment, woman's supporting undergarment, e.g. corset, corset, girdle.

four (a.). *The ~ hundred, the exclusive social set of any place.

foursome. (Also, colloq.) a company or party of four persons.

frame¹. (Also) single complete image or picture transmitted in series of lines by television; attrib., as ~ synchronization.

franc. (Also) Belgian & Swiss monetary unit.

fraternity. (Also) students' society in college or university.

free¹. (Also, adv.) ~ly, without cost or

payment, (Naut.) not close-hauled. ~ house, public house not tied to a particular brewery.

freeze. (Also) peg or stabilize (prices, wages, etc.); also as n., as wage ~.

freighter. (Also) freight-carrying aircraft.

frenetic. Var. of PERENETIC.

frequency. ~ modulation (Radio), varying the ~ of the carrier wave in accordance with speech or music, system of broadcasting using this method of modulation.

frigate. (Also, in recent use) corvette, sloop, small destroyer.

frigid. (Also) sexually irresponsible.

frog¹. ~man, person equipped for underwater operations esp. against enemy shipping.

front (n.). (Also, Meteor.) boundary between cold & warm air masses (*cold, warm, ~*, forward boundary of a mass of advancing cold, warm, air).

fugue. (Also) loss of memory coupled with disappearance from one's usual haunts.

fully. ~ fashioned, (of women's stockings) seamed & shaped.

fusion. ~ bomb, hydrogen bomb.

fuss (n.). ~-pot (colloq.), person who is always making a ~.

G

gag (v.i.). (Also) retch, choke.

gaggle, n., & v.i. 1. Flock (of geese); (derog.) company (of women). 2. v.i. (Of geese) cackle. [prob. imit.]

galliard, n. (hist.). Quick & lively dance in triple time for two persons. [f. OF *gaillard*, etym. dub.]

gambit. (Also, fig.) opening move in some action etc.

gamma. ~ plus, rather better than third-class.

gamm'y, a. (sl.). = GAMM⁴. [?]

gang. (Also, v.t.) arrange (tools etc.) to work in co-ordination.

gangling (-ngg-), a. Loosely built, straggling. [f. *'gangle* frequent. of GANE]

gas (n.). ~holder, large receptacle for storing ~, gasometer; ~ification, (also) underground production of ~ from unmined coal.

|| **gash**¹, a. (naut. sl.). Spare, extra. [?]

gât, n. (sl.). Gun, revolver. [abbr. of GATLING]

gauss. (Now) unit of magnetic induction.

gear (vb). (Also) make (an industry or factory) subservient or ancillary to another, or to a programme.

Geiger counter (gig-), n. (In full *Geiger-Müller counter*) device for detecting radio-activity consisting of a gas-filled cylindrical cathode having for its anode a thin wire running down the centre, every charged particle entering

cylinder being recorded. [f. *Geiger*, whose invention was improved by *Müller*]

general (a.). ~ *hospital*, (also) one not specializing in any particular disease.

gen'ocide, n. Extermination of a race. [f. Gk *genos* race, -CIDR (2)]

genteel. Hence ~ISM (4) n., word used instead of the ordinary natural word because it is thought to be more ~, e.g. *lady-dog* for *bitch* , *perspire* for *sweat*.

geomorph'ology, n. Study of the physical features of the (crust of the) earth and its geological structures. [GEO-, MORPHOLOGY]

geophy's'ic/s (-z-), n. The physics of the earth. Hence ~AL a., ~IST n. [GEO-]

gériat'r'ic, a. Relating to ~ics n. pl. branch of medical science dealing with old age & its diseases. So **gériat'r'ician** (-ishn), ~IST (3), ~Y¹, (Jéri'a-), nn. [f. Gk *gēras* old age, *iātrós* physician, -IC]

germā'n'ium, n. Brittle white metallic element. [mod. L, f. *Germanus* GERMAN²]

gērōnt'ology (g-, j-), n. Scientific study of old age & its diseases. [f. Gk *gerōn* -ontos old man, -LOGY]

get¹, ~ *together*, (also) unite in discussion, promotion of plan, etc.; ~ *together* n., (social) assembly.

gilt¹ (g-), n. Young sow. [f. ON *gyltr*]

***gimm'ick** (g-), n. (sl.). Tricky device. [?]

gin². ~ *and* IT²: *pink* ~, ~ flavoured with angostura bitters.

girl. (Also) female (~ *friend*).

glass¹, ~ *wool*, ~ in form of fine fibres for packing & insulation.

gleep, n. Kind of atomic pile. [f. initials of graphite low energy experimental pile]

go¹. *Go for*, (also) be applicable to; *go it alone*, act by oneself or without support.

***gōb'bledegōk'** (-beld-), -dŷ-, n. (sl.). Pompous official jargon. [imit. of turkey-cock]

god¹. *God's (own) country*, alleged description of the U.S. by Americans.

gold. ~ *bloc* (of countries with currencies tied to ~); *go off* ~, abandon the ~ STANDARD.

gong (n.). (Also, sl.) medal.

***gōn**, n. Person hired by racketeers to terrorize workers; stupid person. [perh. f. gorilla & baboon; orig. a subhuman creature in a comic strip]

goy, n. (Yiddish for) Gentile. [Heb., -nation]

grade (n.). *(Also) class, form, in school. **graduate¹**. So ~ *and* n., one about to receive an academic degree.

grape. ~ *vine*, (also) rumour, false report.

graph¹. (Also, v.t.) plot or trace on a ~.

grat'icule, n. Fine lines or fibres incorporated in telescope or other optical instrument as measuring scale or as aid in locating objects; (surveying) network or lines on paper representing meridians--

& parallels. [F, f. med. L *graticula* for craticula gridiron (L *cratis* hurdle, -ISM)]

green¹ (a.). ~ *light* (colloq.), permission to go ahead with some project.

grey. ~ *eminence*, = *eminence grise* (see *feminence*).

grōp'er, n. Var. of *GROUPE*.

ground¹. ~ *nul*, (also) now usual name for *FRANUL* or *monkey-nul*.

guide¹. (Also, esp. in Switzerland etc.) professional mountain-climber.

guide². ~ *d* missiles (under remote control).

guinea. ~ *pig*, (also) person used as subject for medical experiment.

gun. (Also) insecticide spray.

H

haggadah. (Also) ritual for Passover Eve.

hair. ~ *do* (colloq.), style or process of woman's ~ *dressing*.

half (a.). ~ *time*, time showing that ~ of a game or contest is completed.

ham¹. ~ *fisted* (sl.), heavy-handed, clumsy.

***hām'būrg'er** (-g-), n. (Also *Hamburg steak*) chopped steak usu. cooked or eaten with onions; kind of sausage. [*Hamburg* in Germany, -ER¹]

hammer. ~ *and* *sickle*, symbol of worker and peasant, emblem on the national flag of the U.S.S.R.

hand². ~ *out*, (also) information ~ *ed out* to the press etc.

hard. ~ *board*, stiff type of pasteboard made from wood waste & used as substitute for wood.

have¹. *He has had it*, (also) there's no longer any chance that he'll get it, (also) his fate is sealed.

|| **hāv'er**, v.i., & n. (Sc.). 1. Talk foolishly, babble. 2. n. (usu. pl.). Foolish talk, nonsense. [?]

hay², **hey²** (hā), n. (Figure in) country dance. [?]

H-bomb (dch'bōm), n. †*Hydrogen bomb*. [H for HYDROGEN]

head¹. ~ *word*, word forming a heading.

heck¹, n. (sl.). Euphem. for *HELL* in imprecations.

help¹. *(Also) employees.

hetero-. ~ *cyc'lic*, (of chem. compounds) with molecule of a ring composed of atoms of different kinds.

high (a.). ~ *light*, (also) moment or detail of vivid interest, outstanding feature; ~ *light* v.t., bring into prominence.

hind sight (-sit), n. Back sight of gun; (joc.) wisdom after the event (opp. *fore-sight*). [HIND², SIGHT¹]

Hitt'ite, n. & a. 1. Member, language, of an ancient people of Asia Minor & Syria. 2. adj. Of the ~s or ~. [f. Heb. *Hittai*]

hive (vb). ~ *off*, (of firm) assign production of some goods to subsidiary company in order to avoid complete nationalization.

hollow¹ (a.). ~ *ware*, ~ *articles* of: china, etc., as pots, bottles, jugs.

höl'us-böl'us, adv. All in a lump, altogether. [app. sham L]

holy (a.). ~ *Willie*, a hypocritically pious person.

hombre (öm'brä), n. Man. [Sp.]

home¹. ~work, work (to be) done at ~, esp. lessons to be done by a school-child at ~.

home². *Homing device*, mechanism for automatic guiding of missiles.

homogeneous. Hence **homö'génize** v.t., make ~, make (milk) more digestible by breaking up the fat droplets into smaller particles.

hood (n.). * (Also) bonnet of motor-car.

***Hoo'sier** (-zher), n. (Nickname for) inhabitant of State of Indiana. [?]

hospital. Hence ~IZE v.t., admit, confine, to ~, ~IZA'TION n.

hot¹ (a.). (Also, sl., of stolen jewellery, bank-notes, etc.) easily identifiable & so difficult to dispose of.

hotél'ier, n. Hotel-keeper. [F *hôte*liér]

hound¹. (Also) dogfish (short for ~*fish*); *warre* ~, *smooth* ~, kinds of dogfish.

***hümding'er**, n. (sl.). Exceptionally good person or thing. [?]

hydrogen. ~ *bomb*, (also *fusion* or *thermo-nuclear bomb*) bomb charged with a ~ compound, in which nuclear reaction, initiated by an atomic bomb contained in it, turns ~ into helium with an enormous release of energy.

hýdróx'ide, n. (chem.). Compound of element or radical with hydrogen & oxygen, not with water. [HYDRO- + OXIDE]

hýpertén'sion (-shn), n. Abnormally high blood pressure. So ~IVE a. [HYPER- + TENSION]

hypodermic. ~ *needle*, *syringe*, for ~ injection. (Also, n.) ~ injection, syringe.

hýpotén'sion (-shn), n. Low blood pressure. So ~IVE a. [HYPO- + TENSION]

I

ice¹. Dry ~, frozen carbon dioxide; * ~ *box*, refrigerator; ~-*hockey* (played on skates).

idle (v.i.). (Also, of motor-car, aero, etc., engine) Revolve slowly with throttle closed.

impact¹. (Also) effect, influence.

implaus'ible (-z), a. Not plausible. Hence or cogn. ~IBLY n., ~IBLY² adv. [IM-²]

impönderabil'ia, n. pl. Imponderables. [L]

***incommünica'dō** (-ah-), a. Without means of communication, (of prisoner) in solitary confinement. [Sp. (-*mu*-)]

indöc'trin'äte, v.t. Teach, instruct; imbue with a doctrine, idea, or opinion.

Hence ~A'TION n. [IN-¹, DOCTRINE, -ATE²]

infra-. ~-*structure*, system of airfields, telecommunications, & public services forming a basis for the defence of Europe.

inter-. ~*plan'etary* a., between planets; ~*zön'al* a., based upon, existing between, two or more zones of occupation in Germany.

intermission. (Also) interval in theatre etc., musical selection during this.

intra-. ~*vén'ous*, in(to) a vein or veins.

invert². ~ *sugar*, mixture of dextrose & laevulose.

iron¹. ~ *curtain*, (esp., recently) barrier to passage of information at (esp. Western) limit of Soviet sphere of influence.

irradiate. (Also) subject to sunlight [or ultra-violet rays].

Israel. (Also) the Jewish State established in Palestine in May 1948; also attrib. Hence ~i (Izräl'i) a. & n., (inhabitant) of this State.

Italian. Hence (also) ~ATE² a., having ~ style or appearance.

J

járarän'da, n. Kinds of tropical American hardwood tree with scented wood & trumpet-shaped blue flowers. [Braz.]

***jalöp(p)'ý**, n. A dilapidated motor-car. [?]

jet². (Also, colloq.) ~-propelled plane.

***jive**, n., & v.i. 1. Kind of jazz music. 2. v.i. Play ~, dance to ~. [?]

jockey². ~ *for position*, try to gain an advantageous position esp. by skilful manoeuvring in yacht-racing, (also) try to gain an unfair advantage.

|| **jō'ey**², n. (sl.). A threepenny (orig. a fourpenny) bit. [f. *Joseph Hume*]

jüdd'er, v.i. & n. 1. Shake, wobble. 2. n. Shaking, wobbling. [?]

ju'dō (jō-), n. (Now usu. name for) JU-JUTSU. [Jap.]

***juke-böx** (jōök), n. Machine that automatically plays selected gramophone records when coin is inserted. [?]

K

***kib'itzer**, n. (colloq.). Meddlesome person, one who gives advice gratuitously, one who watches a game of cards from behind the players. [Yiddish, f. G *klebitz* lapwing]

kill'ō (or *kē-*), n. (pl. ~s). Abbr. for KILOGRAM(ME), KILOMETRE. [F]

kiosk. (Also) structure for public telephone.

kiwi. (Also, colloq., *K~*) a New Zealander.

Knēss'ēt, n. Israeli parliament. [Heb.]

knot¹. (Also) unit of speed equivalent to a nautical mile per hour.

knöt², n. Small wading bird of sandpiper family. [?]

Koin'é, n. The common literary language of the Greeks from the close of classical Attic to the Byzantine era. [f. Gk *koinē* (*dialekto*) common (language)]

kremlin. *The K-*, (used for) the Russian Government.

Kyrie eleison. Also pron. kí'riē.

L

lāb, n. (colloq.). Laboratory. [abbr.]

Lāil'an, a. & n. (Sc.). 1. Of the Lowlands of Scotland. 2. n. (Also ~s) Lowland Scots dialect. [var. of Lowland]

Lambeth, ~ *degree*, honorary degree conferred by Archbishop of Canterbury.

land¹. (Also, of aircraft) come down to ground or surface of water.

Land² (lahnt), n. (pl. *Länder*, pr. kēn'). Land, country. [G]

Latin. ~ *Quarter* (F *Quartier Latin*), educational centre of Paris, where ~ was spoken in the Middle Ages, noted for its unconventional mode of life.

lay¹, ~ *by*, portion of road extended to permit a vehicle to stop there without interfering with traffic; ~ *out*, (also): (of plans etc.) drawing showing arrangement; make-up of book, newspaper, advertisement, etc.

lean² (vb). ~ *over backwards*, go to the other extreme, go to the limit of eagerness (to agree).

left (n.). Hence (also, colloq.) ~ *ISM* (3) n., principles or policy of the political ~, ~ *IST* (2) n. & a.

leg (n.). (Also, colloq.): one of two games constituting a round; hop or stage of long-distance flight.

Lén'in'ism, n. Political theories & practices of Nikolai Lenin (d. 1924). So ~ *IST* n. & a., ~ *ITE*¹ n. & a. [-ISM]

Lesbian. (Also, n.) a female homosexual.

lethal. Hence *léthāl'ity* n.

leucō'tomy, n. (med.). Incision by kind of needle (*leuc'otomy*) into frontal lobe of brain to relieve some cases of mental disorder. [f. Gk *leukos* white, -*ROMY*]

liaison. Hence *liaise'* (-z) v.i., establish or maintain ~ *with*.

lig'er (-g-), n. Offspring of lion & tigress [portmanteau wd]

line¹. (Also) one of the very narrow vertical sections in which televised scenes are photographed & reproduced.

live-. (Of broadcast) heard during the occurrence of an event, not a recording.

loan², *loan'ing*, nn. (Sc.). Lane; open space where cows are milked. [OE *lone* LANE; -ING¹]

lobō'tomy, n. (med.). = *Leucotomy*. [f. LOBE, -O-, -*ROMY*]

lodging. ~ *turn*, spell of duty in railway service during which a train crew sleeps away from home for a night.

logistics. Hence *logis'tic* a.

long¹ (a.). ~ *distance*, (of weather forecast) made several days in advance.

lordō'sis, n. (med.). Forward curvature of spine. [Gk, f. *lordos* bent back, -*OSIS*]

lubber. ~ *s line* (Naut.), line marked on compass showing direction of ship's head.

lunatic (a.). ~ *fringe*, the more eccentric or visionary adherents of a political or other movement.

M

madam. * (Also, euphem.) brothel-keeper.

māg'nētrōn, n. (phys.). Thermionic tube for generating very high frequency oscillations. [f. MAGNET + (ELEC)TRON]

mahatma. (Also, M-) popularly prefixed as title in India to names of exalted personages, esp. Gandhi.

make¹. ~ *up*. (Also): (cosmetics for) woman's facial decoration; person's character & temperament.

major¹. * (Also): a student's special subject or course; (v.i.) take, or qualify in, a ~.

man¹. ~ *hour*, work done by one ~ in one hour.

mania. Hence *mān'ic* a., of or affected by ~ (*manic-depressive psychosis*, kind of mental disorder alternating between periods of elation & depression, occas. with intermediate periods of sanity).

Mārc'an, a. Of St Mark. [f. L *Marcus* Mark, -AN]

mārgē, n. (colloq.). Margarine. [abbr.]

marginal. (Also, of land) difficult & expensive to cultivate.

marijuana, -*huana*, (*mahrīwah'nah*), n. Dried leaves of Indian hemp, used to make doped cigarettes (called *reefers*). Sp. -*hu*-]

marine (n.). (Also) specialist in command & amphibious operations.

mark². ~ *up* n. (commerce), amount added by shopkeepers to cost price of goods to cover overhead charges & profit.

mass² (n.). ~ *spectrograph*, apparatus separating isotopes by atomic discharge through electric & magnetic fields.

mastoid. ~ *operation*, surgical procedure for relief of disease of tympanum or eardrum.

maximum. (Also, adj.) largest or largest possible.

* **M'Car'th'y'ism** (*mākār-*), n. Policy of hunting out (suspected) Communists & removing them esp. from Government departments. Hence ~ *ITE*¹ a. & n. [f. Joseph M'Carthy, U.S. senator, -ISM]

mean¹. ~ *s test*, principle of requiring some proof of need as condition of assistance.

mean². * (Also) uncomfortable, malicious, ill tempered.

median (n.). (Also, Math.) straight line drawn from angular point of triangle to middle of opposite side.

mega-. ~ton, 1,000,000 tons.
meiosis. (Also, Biol.) phase of nuclear change in germ cells.
***mēld¹**, v.t. & i. Merge. [perh. f. *melt* + *weid*]
mēld¹, v.t. & i., & n. (In some card games) declare for a score; (n.) act of ~ing, group of cards (to be) ~ed. [f. G *melden* announce]
mēlōd'ic, a. Of or relating to melody. [f. F *mélodique* (as MELODY, see -IO)]
member. || (Also) person admitted to Order of the British Empire, 5th class (M.B.E.), & to Royal Victorian Order, 4th or 5th class (M.V.O.).
mēs'ōn, n. (phys.). Fundamental particle intermediate in mass between proton & electron, found in cosmic rays & atomic nuclei. [f. Gk *mesos* middle]
meticulous. (Also, pop.) very careful, accurate.
micro-. ~film, (also, v.t. & i.) photograph on ~film; ~organism, organism of (ultra-) microscopic size; ~wave, Hertzian wave of length between 50 cms & 1 cm.
mil'lage (-lij), n. Var. of MILAGE.
milk¹. ~run (U.S. Air Force), regularly recurring operational flight (with ref. to ~man's daily round).
mill¹. ~ing machine, machine tool for cutting grooves or slots in metal sheets.
mine¹. Hence min'ing¹ (i) n. (freq. in comb., as coal, gold, ~mining; also attrib., as *mining engineer*).
minimum. (Also, adj.) smallest or smallest possible.
mistreat¹, v.t. Treat badly. Hence ~MENT n. [MIS-¹]
model¹. (Also, v.i.) act or pose as an artist's model or a mannequin.
modulate. modulation, (also, Radio) alteration in amplitude or frequency of a wave by a frequency of a different order.
mōll, n. Prostitute; gangster's mistress. [pet form of *Mary*]
monitor (n.). (Also) detector for induced radio-activity, esp. in workers in an atomic plant.
monolith. ~ic, (also) solidly uniform throughout, showing or allowing no variation.
mōp'ed, n. Motorized pedal cycle. [f. *motorized pedal*]
mosque¹. (Also, Journalism) repository where miscellaneous material for reference is kept.
moron. Hence morōn'io a.
***mōtēl¹**, n. Hotel or group of furnished cabins by the roadside where motorists may stay for the night. [f. *motorists' hotel*]
moth¹. ~ball, (also) airtight plastic cover sprayed on & enclosing working parts of gun-mountings, machinery, etc. of ship.

move¹. (Also) change of residence, business premises, etc.
mu'gwump. (Also) one who sits on the fence.
multi-. ~lateral, (also, of agreement, treaty, etc.) in which more than two sides or states participate; ~ling'ual (-nggw-), in many languages.
Mūn'ich (-ik), n. An act of appeasement between nations. [f. the agreement to dismember Czechoslovakia made with Hitler in 1938 at ~ in S. Germany]
mūsicōl'og'ij (-z), n. All study of music except that directed to proficiency in performance or composition. Hence ~IST n., ~mūsicōlō'gical a., (-z). [f. MUSIC + -OLOGY]
must¹ (Also, n.) a ~, a thing that cannot or should not be missed.
mystique¹ (-tēk), n. The atmosphere of mystery & veneration investing some creeds, doctrines, arts, professions, etc., or personages; any professional skill or technique which mystifies & impresses the layman. [F, as MYSTIC]
mýxōm'a, n. (path.; pl. ~ta). Tumour of mucous or gelatinous tissue. Hence ~tōs'is n., virus disease in rabbits. [mod. L, f. Gk *myxa* mucus]

N

nap¹. (Also, v.t.) name (horse) as probable winner.
nāp'al'm (-ahm), n. Product of naphthalene & coco-nut oil (~ bomb, one containing jellied petrol). [NA(PHTHALENT), PALM¹]
national (n. pl.). (Also) citizens of a specified country.
nātt'er, v.i. (colloq.). Chatter idly; grumble, talk fretfully. Hence ~ed (-erd), ~y, aa., peevish. [var. of dial. *gnatter* be peevish]
needle (v.t.). (Also) incite, irritate, prod into action.
net¹ (n.). ~work, (also) a number of broadcasting stations connected for simultaneous broadcast of same programme.
never. *Never-never system* (joc.), hire-purchase system.
new¹. ~look, modern (1947) fashion in women's dress marked esp. by longer & fuller skirt, (colloq.) up-to-date appearance.
nostalgia. (Also) sentimental yearning for (some period of) the past.
not. ~too well, rather ill, rather badly.
notation. (Also) note, annotation.
note¹. ~case, pocket wallet for holding bank-notes.
nevēn'a, n. (R.-C. Church). Devotion consisting of special prayers or services on nine successive days. [med. L, f. L *novem* nine]
nub. (Also) point or gist (of matter or story).
nucle'us. ~ar fission, splitting up of a

heavy atom, e.g. of uranium, into two or more new atoms, with an enormous release of energy; *~ar fuel*, source of atomic energy; *~ar reactor*, atomic PLR².
nun'aták (-ōō-), n. Isolated peak of rock projecting above the surface of land ice or snow e.g. in Greenland. [Eskimo]
nutrition. Hence *~AL* (-shon-) a., of or relating to ~.

O

O¹. (Also) symbol for nought, cipher.
ōbacūr'um pēr ōbacūr'us, n. =IGNOTUM PER IGNOTIUM. [L, =the obscure by the still more obscure]
occlude, **occlusion**, (also, Meteor.) closing of the cold *front* on to the warm front in a depression.
odds. *~on*, state of betting when ~ are laid.
oer'stēd (ēr-), n. Unit of magnetic force. [O~, Danish physicist (d. 1851)]
oestrum. (Also) sexual heat of animals, rut.
off (prep.). (Also) with a handicap of, as *he plays ~ 5*; *~shore purchases*, goods & services purchased by one country in another country, esp. orders placed by the U.S. in other countries for anything connected with the defence programme; *~white*, not quite white.
officer. || (Also) member of 4th class of Order of the British Empire (O.B.E.).
official (n.). Hence (also) *~KE'* (-shālēs) n., ~ jargon.
offset. (Also v.t.) counterbalance, compensate.
-ōma, suf. used to denote tumour or other abnormal growth. [Gk *-ōma -ōmalos*]
optic (n.). || (Also) device fastened to neck of bottle for measuring out spirits in public houses.
ōptō'm'ēter. Hence *~m'ētrist* n., sight-tester, *~M'ETRY* n.
oral. (Also, colloq., n.) ~ examination.
orbit. (Also, v.i., of satellite &c.) move in an ~.
ōrōgēn'ēsis, n. (geol.). Process of making mountains. [Gk *oros* mountain, *genesis*]
erth(ō)-. *~ōdōn'tia* (-shia), *~ōdōn'tios*, corruption of irregularities in teeth, *~ōdōn'tic* a., *~ōdōn'tist* n.
***Os'car** (ōs-). n. One of the statuettes awarded by the Motion Picture Academy for excellence in acting, directing, etc. [man's name]
ōt'ic (or ō-), a. Of or relating to the ear. [f. Gk *ous* *ōtes* ear, -īō]
out-. *~smar'* v.t. (colloq.), be too clever for, ~wit.
outside (adj.). (Also, of a chance) remote, very unlikely.
over (adv.). Hence *~LY* adv. (chiefly U.S. & B.), extensively, too.
over-. *~ful'ment* n., completion of a

Soviet five-year plan before the appointed time; *~man*, (also) mining ~seer, an underground foreman.
ōx'idāte, v.t. & i. Oxidize. Hence **ōxidāTION** n., oxidizing or being oxidized, combination with oxygen. [f. F *oxider*, -*ATE*]
|| ōx'ter, n., & v.t. (So.). 1. Armpit; inner side of upper arm. 2. v.t. Support with or by taking the arm, put under the arm; hug. [f. OE *ōrtā*]

P

paddock. (Also, Austral.) field, plot of land.
padlock (n.). *~law*, one providing for closing & looking up premises.
paed|o-, **ped|o-**. *~id'ric* a., relating to *~id'ric* n. pl., branch of medical science dealing with the study of childhood & diseases of children, so *~iatr'ician* (-shn), *~iat'rist*, nn. [Gk *paedros* physician]
palimpsest. (Also) monumental brass turned & re-engraved on reverse side.
panel. (Also) team in some radio quiz programmes. Hence *~LIST* n., member of this.
papyro-. *~logist*, *~logy*, (-ōl'), student, study, of ancient papyri.
para-¹. (Also, Chem., before a vowel *par-*) denoting modification of substance to whose name prefix is attached (*paral'dehyde*, polymer of ALDEHYDE, used as narcotic & remedy against insomnia).
paranoia. Hence *paranoi'ac* a. & n.
par avion (pār āvyaw'h), n. By airmail. [F, =by aeroplane]
part¹ (n.). *~time*, less than full time; *~timer* (colloq.), ~time worker.
pāsh, n. (sl.). Passion. [abbr.]
pēd'icū're, n., & v.t. 1. Chiropody; chiropodist. 2. v.t. Cure or treat (feet) by removing corns etc. [f. F *pédicure* f. L *pes* *pedis* foot + *cura* care]
pēdōl'ōg'y, n. Science of soils. Hence **pēdōl'ōgist** n. [f. Gk *pedon* ground, -*LOGY*]
pēlōr'us, n. Sighting device on ship's compass for taking bearings. [!]
pēnān'liar, a. Almost ring-like. [f. L *paene* almost, *annular*]
pentagon. The *P~*, headquarters of U.S. defence forces, in Washington.
penthouse. *~*(Also) apartment or flat built on roof.
perimeter. (Also) outer boundary of camp or fortification.
persone. *~nōn grā'a*, unacceptable person.
pervert¹. (Also, Psych.) person showing sexual perversion.
petit. *~four* (floor), small fancy biscuit.
phase. (Also) aspect (of situation or question).
phillem'ent (-lōō-, lē-), n. Student or collector of match-box labels. [f. F *phillem*, L *lumen* light, -*ment*]

phôn'ème, n. (philol.). A unit of significant sound in a given language. Hence **phôném'io** a. [f. F *phonème* f. Gk *phōnēma* sound]

photo. ~*finish*, close finish of horse-race photographed to enable judge to decide winner.

photo-. ~*syn'thesis*, process by which the energy of sunlight is trapped by the chlorophyll of green plants & used to build up complex materials from carbon dioxide & water.

piece¹. *Go to ~s* (fig.), collapse.

pilot (n.). ~ *balloon*, small balloon whose movements are observed as it rises in the air, used to ascertain direction & velocity of currents at various heights; ~ *scheme*, preliminary experimental trial of project on small scale.

pin¹. ~*point* v.t., (also) designate precisely.

pipe¹. ~*line*, (also, fig.) continuous flow of goods in transit from producer to retailer or (industrial) consumer etc.

placate. Hence **plac'atory** a., propitiatory.

plant¹. (Also) factory.

plastic. Hence (also) ~*izer* n., substance that produces or promotes ~*ity*.

pled. U.S., Sc., & dial. past & p.p. of **PLEAD**.

plough¹. ~ *a lonely furrow*, take one's own solitary course.

point¹. ~ *of no return*, ~ in a long-distance flight over the ocean at which an aircraft has not enough fuel to return to its starting-place & must continue onwards; also fig.

pointillism (pwān-), n. Method of producing light effects by crowding a surface with small spots of various colours, which are blended by the eye. So ~*ist* n. [f. F *pointillisme* f. *pointiller* mark with dots f. *point* POINT¹, -ISM]

pōl'itō, n. (colloq.). (Person suffering from) poliomyelitis. [abbr.]

Pōlyhym'nia, n. The Muse of sacred song. [L. f. Gk *Polyhymnia* (POLY-, HYMN)]

pōmm'y, n. (sl.). British immigrant to Australia or New Zealand. [?]

pontifical. (Also) assuming infallibility, pompously dogmatic.

pontificate. (Also, v.i., pr. -ât) **POINTIFY**.

pool¹ (n.). **Football** ~, form of gambling in which a proportion of the entry money for the competition is awarded in prizes to those who correctly forecast the results of certain football matches.

portfolio. (Also) list of investments held by company etc.

Portuguese. ~ *man-of-war*, dangerous (sub-)tropical jellyfish with sail-shaped crest & poisonous sting, travelling rarely to Britain.

post-. ~*postscript* (abbr. P.P.S.), a second postscript.

postal. ~ *card*, postcard with printed stamp sold by the post-office.

post-mortem (n.). (Also, colloq.) subsequent discussion of (esp. card) game.

pot¹. ~*roast*, (n.) piece of meat cooked by braising, (v.t.) braise; ~*shot*, (also) random shot.

pot¹. (Also) abridge, epitomize.

poundage. (Also) charge on postal order etc.

powder (n.). ~*room*, ladies' cloakroom.

power. (Also, v.t.) supply (vehicle, vessel, etc.) with ~ (esp. of engine).

prēd'ator, n. Predatory animal. [f. L *praedator* (see PREDATORY)]

prēf'ab, n. (colloq.). Prefabricated house. [abbr.]

premature. (Also, n.) ~ explosion of shell.

press¹. ~*button war* (carried on by means of guided missiles whose flight is controlled by ~ing a button).

pressure. ~*cooker*, apparatus for cooking under high ~ at high temperature, so ~*cooking*; ~ *group*, group exerting ~ on a government etc. for their own special purpose.

preventive (a.). ~ *custody*, detention.

price. *At a ~*, at a relatively high cost; ~ *oneself out of the market*, charge a prohibitive ~.

prime¹. (Also) inject petrol into (cylinder or carburettor of internal-combustion engine).

procedur'e. Hence ~*al* (-dyct-) a., of or relating to ~e.

profile (n.). (Also, Journalism) short biographical or character sketch.

proliferate. (Also) increase rapidly.

prōp¹, n. (colloq.). Aircraft propeller. [abbr.]

prōp¹, n. (theatr.) Stage property. [abbr.]

propeller. ~ *turbine* or *prōp'jet engine*, aircraft engine having a turbine-driven ~.

prōt'ium, n. (chem.). Ordinary hydrogen as dist. from heavy hydrogen (DEUTERIUM). [f. PROT(ō), -IUM]

protocol. (Also) diplomatic etiquette.

proximity. ~ *fuse*, radio device causing projectile to explode when near target.

psēph'ōl'og'y (or -s), n. Study of elections and voting. Hence ~*ol'o'gist* n. [f. Gk *psēphos* pebble, vote, -LOGY]

psych'o-. ~*om'etry*, (also) measurement of mental states or processes, so ~*omē'trics* n. pl.; ~*ōgnōs'tic* a., of mind & body, (of bodily disease) caused or made worse by worry.

psychosis. Hence **psychōr'ic** (paik-, sik-) a. & n., of, relating to, (person) suffering from, a ~.

public (a.). ~ *relations*, relations of a department, organization, etc. with the general ~ (~ *relations officer*, abbr. P.R.O., person who gives out information to the ~ in connexion with some department etc.).

pūl'chritūde (-kr-), n. Beauty. [f. L *pulchritudo* (pulcher beautiful, -TUDO)]

pull¹. ~-out n., page or plate in book that unfolds out from front edge of leaves to facilitate reference.

puppet. ~-state, country professing to be independent but actually under the control of some greater power, so ~-king, ruler.

purple (a.). ~-patch, ornate passage in literary composition.

purport. Hence ~-edly² adv.

pursuit. ~-plane, fighter aircraft.

push¹. ~-button war, = *press-button war*; ~-over n., an opponent easily defeated, a gullible person, an easy problem.

pussy. ~-foot v.i., move stealthily, act cautiously.

pyjamas. Also attrib. in sing. form *pyjama* (-ah-), as *pyjama jacket, trousers*.

pyrōs'is, n. (med.). Burning sensation in the stomach with eructation of watery fluid, water-brush. [mod. L f. Gk *pyrōsis* f. *pur fire*]

Q

quar'tile (kwŏr-), a. & n. (astrol.). 1. Connected with or relating to an aspect of two heavenly bodies which are 90° distant from each other. 2. n. A ~ aspect. [f. med. L *quartilis* f. *quartus* fourth]

quite. (Also) rather, to some extent, as *it took ~ a long time*; ~ a few, a fair number.

quota. (Also) quantity of goods which under Government controls must be manufactured, exported, imported, etc.; number of yearly immigrants allowed to enter the United States from any one country.

R

radio-. ~-gen'ic a., produced by ~-activity, suitable for being broadcast by radio; ~-sonde, miniature radio transmitter, carried aloft in a balloon & descending by parachute, for broadcasting pressure, temperature, & humidity at various levels.

rail¹ (n.). ~-(way)man, ~-way employee. Hence ~-AGE (4).

rake⁴ (n.). (Also) slope of stage or auditorium in theatre.

react. Hence (also) **réac'tor**³ n., atomic pile² (also *nuclear* ~-or).

reaction. (Also) impression, influence.

réac'tivâte, v.t. Restore to a state of activity. Hence **réactiva'tion** n. [RE-8]

ready (v.t.). (Also) make ~, prepare.

rébarb'ative, a. Repellent, unattractive. [f. F *rébarbatif*, -ive, f. *barbe* beard]

réc'ap, v.t. & n. (colloq.). Recapitulate; (n.) recapitulation. [abbr.]

recess. ~-(Also, v.i.) take a ~, adjourn.

record¹. (Also, radio) register & reproduce (litera, programme) by **RECORDING**.

red¹. ~-brick, (of university) of modern foundation.

rédép'oy'ment, n. Improved physical arrangements in factories as means of increasing output. [RE-8]

reef'er¹, n. See *tmarijuana*. [?]

réf, n. (colloq.). Football referee. [abbr.]

release¹. (Also) make (information) public.

remand (n.). ~ home, temporary institution for young persons.

remembrance. R~ Day, day (11th November, *ARMISTICE Day*, or the Sunday immediately preceding it) commemorating those who fell in the wars of 1914-18 & 1939-45.

remote. ~ control, control of apparatus etc. from a point some distance away by means of electrically operated device, radio waves, etc.

rép³, n. (sl.). Repertory theatre or company. [abbr.]

rép'aint, n. A repainted golf-ball. [RE-9]

replacement. (Also) person or thing that replaces another.

report¹. (Also) periodical statement on a pupil's work, conduct, etc. at school.

resist. Hence (also) ~-or¹ n., device offering electrical resistance.

reward. ~-ing a., (of task, book, etc.) well worth doing, reading, etc.

rhesus. R~ factor (abbr. *Rh-factor*), substance occurring in red blood cells of most persons and some animals (as in the ~ monkey, in which it was first observed). Subjects in which this substance is present, absent, are said to be *Rh-positive*, *Rh-negative*.

rocket¹. Hence ~RY n., study or use of ~s.

rōde², v.i. (Of wildfowl) fly landward in the evening, (of woodcock) fly in evening during breeding season. [?]

roman-à-clef (rōmah'n' ah klē'), n. Novel in which real persons or events appear in disguise. [F, = novel with a key]

rotary (n.). ~-(Also) traffic roundabout.

round² (adv.). ~ about, (also) approximately (*it will cost ~ about £10*).

row¹. ~-house, = terrace-house.

run¹. (Also) allow (account, bill) to accumulate for some time before paying.

run². ~-down, reduction in numbers esp. of armed forces, by demobilization. ~ of the mill or mine, ordinary or average product or specimen, not specially selected or distributed.

rūn'cible spōōn, n. Kind of fork with three broad prongs, one with a cutting edge, and hollowed out like a spoon. [*runcible*, nonsense word of Edward Lear (d. 1888), *SPOON*¹]

running. ~ commentary, oral description of event(s) in progress.

rush¹ (n.). (Also, Cinemat.) first print or preliminary showing of film before cutting.

S

sabbatical. ~ year, (also) year's leave granted to university professor for study, travel, etc.

sāb'oteur (-tér), n. One who commits sabotage. [F]

sadism. (Also) pleasure derived from inflicting or watching cruelty.

saleable. Var. of **SALABLE**.

sām'ba, n. Brazilian native dance; ball-room dance imitative of this. [Braz.]

sate² (sāt, sāt). Arch. past & p.p. of **SIT**.

satellite. (Also) artificial body launched from & encircling the earth; ~ *state*, country subservient to or controlled by a greater power; ~ *town*, smaller town dependent on a larger town a short distance away.

scatter. (Also, n.) act of ~ing, extent of distribution esp. of shot.

Schnörk'el (shn-), n. (German name for) **SKORT**².

scooter. (Also) simple kind of motor cycle.

score (n.). (Also) a weight of 20 (or 21) pounds, esp. in weighing pigs or oxen.

scramble (v.t.). (Also) after frequency of transmitted speech of (telephone conversation) so as to make it unintelligible to an eavesdropper.

screen (v.t.). (Also) prevent from causing electrical interference.

scribe (n.). (Also) ancient or medieval copyist of manuscripts.

script. (Also) kind of non-cursive handwriting imitating print.

sculduggery. See *takul(l)duggery*.

sea. ~ food, edible salt-water (shell)fish; ~ shell, shell of any salt-water mollusc.

seed (n.). (Also, colloq.) ~ed competitor.

self. ~service 1, (attrib., of restaurant, shop, etc.) in which customers help themselves to food or goods & afterwards pay a cashier, thereby reducing the need for sales assistants, (n.) this kind of service.

sell (vb). ~ (Also): advertise or publish merits of; give (person) information on value of something, inspire with desire to possess something; be *sold* on, be enthusiastic about. ~ers' market (in which goods are scarce & high prices favour ~ers).

seminar², n. Small class at university for discussion & research; ~conference of specialists; short intensive course of study. [G, as *seminary*]

Senses² (-ōō-), n. (Now usu. form of) **SENSES**(s).

sāra'pe (-ahpā), n. Shawl or blanket worn by Spanish-Americans. [Sp.]

serve (vb). Hence (also) **sērv'ay** (s) n., room from which meals etc. are ~d & in which utensils are kept.

shake¹. (Also, colloq.) upset composure of (person).

Shā'pa, n. One of a Tibetan people living on the Himalayas.

shimmy². ~ (Also) vibration of (front) wheels of car, (v.i.) vibrate.

'shinn'ý², v.i. (colloq.). Shin tree etc., usu. *up*. [SHIN]

shock¹. ~ *stall*, excessive strain produced by air resistance on aircraft when speed approximates to that of sound; ~ *tactics*, (also, fig.) sudden & violent action.

shoe¹. ~-string, ~ (also, colloq.) a small or inadequate amount of money; ~-string ~ (attrib.), precarious, just adequate, as *a* ~-string majority.

shoot¹. ~ing-stick, a walking-stick which may be adapted to form a seat.

short (n.). (Also colloq.) a drink of spirits.

shot¹ (n.). ~firer, one who fires the ~ in blasting; ~gun, smooth-bore gun for firing small ~ at short range.

shoulder (n.). ~strap, (also) one of two strips of cloth suspending a garment from the wearer's ~s.

show¹. ~ *up*, (also, colloq.) appear, be present.

sib. (Also, as n. in genetics, usu. pl.) a brother or sister (disregarding sex). Hence ~LING¹ n., one of two or more children having one or both parents in common (usu. pl.), ~SHIP n., the group of children (disregarding sex) from the same two parents.

sign¹. ~ off, (Bridge) indicate by a conventional bid that one is ending the bidding, (Radio) cease transmitting; so ~ off n.

sit. (Also) undergo, be a candidate at, (an examination) ~ in (colloq.), act as ~ter-in (= *baby-sitter*).

skē'rry, n. Reef, rocky isle. [f. ON *sker*]

skif'le, n. Kind of music played by a ~ group (a band accompanying a single singing guitarist or banjoist on a variety of instruments). [perh. imit.]

skin¹. Get under one's ~ (colloq.), take strong hold on one, interest or annoy one intensely.

skittle (n. pl.). (Also, in full, *table~s*) game played with nine pins set up on board to be knocked down by swinging suspended ball.

'skül(l)dügg'ery (-g-), ac-, n. (loc.). Trickery; corrupt behaviour. [?]

sky (n.). ~way, airway.

slalom. (Also) obstacle race in canoes.

slate¹ (vb). ~ (Also) nominate, propose for office etc.

slazy. (Also, colloq.) slatternly.

sleep¹. ~ in (Sc.), ~ late, over~ oneself.

slink¹. Hence ~y² a., gracefully slender & flowing, sinuous.

slip¹. ~ *up* (colloq.), make a mistake, fail.

slip-. ~road, minor & local by-pass.

slurry. (Also) sticky muddy residue separated from coal at the pithead washing plants.

smash (vb). ~ing (sl.), unusually good, superlative.

smög, n. Mixture of smoke & fog. [port-manteau wd.]

smoke¹. Hence (also) **smók'č** n. (Austral. & New Zealand), break for a ~ during working hours.

smoke². *~ *out*, discover by thorough investigation.

snack. ~ *bar* or *counter*, place where ~s are served.

***snáfu'** (-fóo), a. & n. (Service sl.). 1. Chaotic. 2. n. Utter confusion. [f. initial letters of 'situation normal, all fouled up']

snib, n., & v.t. (-bb-; chiefly Sc.). 1. Bolt, fastening, catch, of door, window, etc. 2. v.t. Bolt, fasten. [f.]

snout. Hence (also) ~'y², like a ~, having a (prominent) ~, (colloq., also **snót'ý**) supercilious, conceited.

snow¹. *Abominable Snowman*, (sub-)human animal alleged to have seen, or supposed to leave tracks in the ~, on the higher Himalaya mountains.

social (a.). Hence (also) ~ITE¹ (-sha-) n., prominent society person.

soft (a.) ~ *wood*, (wood of) coniferous tree. || **sóke**, n. A right of local jurisdiction (hist.); district under a particular jurisdiction, as the *S~ of Peterborough*. [f. OE *socn*]

són'ic, a. Of or relating to sound or sound-waves (~ *barrier*, excessive resistance offered by air to objects moving at speed near that of sound). [f. L *sonus* sound, -ic]

són'obuoy (-bol), n. Buoy for detecting submarines, dropped by parachute from aircraft & equipped with hydrophone & radio for transmitting sounds to aircraft & surface vessels. [f. L *sonus* sound + BUOY¹]

south (a.). ~'paw a. & n., left-handed (person), esp. in sport.

space¹. ~'ship, craft for travelling through interplanetary space.

spanner. *Throw a ~ into the works*, introduce an upsetting element or influence.

spastic. (Also, n.) person suffering from cerebral palsy.

spend. ~ *a penny* (colloq.), evacuate bladder or bowels: *~ing *money*, pocket-money.

splash. ~ *headline*, conspicuous, designed to attract attention.

splinter (n.). ~ *party* (Pol.), a party that has broken away from a larger one, esp. when very small in numbers.

spring¹. ~-clean v.t., clean (house, room) thoroughly, esp. in ~; ~-cleaning n.

sputnik (-dót-), n. Russian earth satellite. [Russ., =travelling companion]

square (vb). ~ *up to difficulties or problems*, face & tackle them resolutely.

squid¹, n. Anti-submarine mortar with several barrels firing depth-charges ahead of ship. [f.]

stack (v.t.). (Also) *instruct to fly round at different levels* (aircraft waiting to land at aerodrome).

staging. ~ *post*, regular stopping place on air route.

stákhán'ovite (-kahn-), n. A (Russian) worker who increases his output to an exceptional extent; also attrib. [f. *Stákhánov*, a Russian miner, + -ITE¹(1)]

Stal'in|ism (-ah-), n. Political theories & practices of Josef V. Stalin [d. 1953]. So ~IST n. & a., ~ITE¹ n. & a. [-ISM]

stand¹. ~ *in*, (also) deputize *for*. ~-in n., deputy, substitute.

star¹. ~ry-eyed (colloq.), visionary.

steel (n.). ~ *wool*, fine shavings of ~ massed together, used esp. for cleaning pots & pans.

stein (stin), n. Beer mug. [G, =stone]

stereo-, ~phón'ic a., (of sound reproduced) giving the effect of coming from more than one direction.

sterling (n.). ~ *area*, group of countries keeping their reserves in ~ & not in gold or dollars, & transferring money freely between each other.

stock (n.). ~'piling, accumulating ~s of commodities etc., orig. purchase by U.S. for ~ of raw materials not (sufficiently) available from its own resources, so ~'pile n. & v.t.

stómátol'ogý, n. (med.). Science of (diseases of) the mouth. [f. STOMATO-, -LOGY]

stooge (n.). (Also) subordinate, puppet.

stop¹. *~ *off*, ~ *over*, break one's journey: *~'off, ~'over, nn., a break in one's journey.

story. (Also, Journalism) any narrative or descriptive article in a newspaper.

straight (a.). ~ *jet*, jet aircraft with no propeller.

strap (n.). Hence (also) ~'LESS a., (of dress) without shoulder-~s.

street. *~'car, tram-car.

streptomý'cin, n. An antibiotic produced by the *Streptomyces* group of bacteria, effective against some groups of disease-producing bacteria which are immune to penicillin. [f. Gk *streptos* torque, twisted (*strephē* turn), *mukhō* fungus, -IN]

strike (n.). (Also) attack esp. from the air; ~'bound, immobilized by ~.

strip¹. (Also) narrow space in newspaper for small pictures telling a comic or serial story.

strong. ~ *suit*, suit at cards that is able to take tricks, (fig.) thing at which one excels. **strontium**. ~ *90*, product of atomic fission, concentrating selectively on the bones.

stub (n.). *(Also) counterfoil.

sub-. ~liminal *advertising*, technique of flashing an advertisement on a screen for a fraction of a second so that the image penetrates to the viewer's subconsciousness though it makes no impression on his conscious mind.

subtópia, n. (derog.). Term applied to

urban and rural areas disfigured by ill-planned and ugly building development; unsightly suburbs regarded as encroaching upon the natural scene; also fig. Hence ~AN. [f. SUB- + (UTROPIA)]

summit. (Also, attrib., of talks, meetings, etc.) taking place between heads of governments.

sun. ~flower, (also) plant grown for its seeds which yield an edible oil; ~glasses, for protecting the eyes from direct ~light or glare.

sup'ersound, n. Vibrations of same type as sound but too rapid to be audible. [SUPER-1 c]

Swahili (swahhél'i), n. A Bantu people (or one of them) inhabiting Zanzibar & the adjacent coasts; (also *Kiswahili*) their language. [f. Arab. *sawāhīl* pl. of *sahīl* coast]

swank. Hence ~Y^a. a. (sl.), marked by ~, ostentatiously smart.

swarf (swōrf), n. Chips or filings of wood, metal, etc. [f. ON *swarf* file-dust]

swatch (-ō-), n. (chiefly Sc. & north.) Sample of cloth or fabric. [?]

sweater. ~girl (colloq.), girl or woman with well-developed bust.

sweep. *Sweep-wing* or *sweep-back wing*, (of aircraft) having the outer portion of the wing aft of the inner portion.

switch (vb). (Also) race (horse) under another's name.

swither (-dh-), v.i. (Sc.). Hesitate, be uncertain. [?]

swizzle, n. Compound intoxicating drink (~stick, red with brushlike end used for frothing or flattening drinks). [?]

syndicate (n.). (Also) group of people who combine to rent a shooting, fishing, etc.

T

tab. (Also, v.t., colloq.; -bb-) tabulate, record.

tail¹ (v.t.). (Also): dock tail of (lamb etc.); (colloq.) follow closely, shadow.

take¹. *~care of, be adequate provision for, be able to deal with; ~over bid, an offer to purchase shares which will secure for the bidder control of a company.

tanker. (Also) aircraft for refuelling other aircraft in air.

teens. *Teen-ager, person between 13 & 20.

tele-. (Also) abbr. for TELEVISION; *télécast*, television broadcast programme or item;

téléfilm, cinema film transmitted by television; *telegen^{ic}*, suitable for being televised; *telekin^{ema}*, picture-house for showing ~films; ~prompt^{er}, electronic device that slowly unrolls speaker's text,

in large print, outside the sight of the audience; ~record^{ing}, recorded item or programme (to be) televised.

television, n. (sl.); Television. [abbr.]

temperature. (Also, colloq.) body ~ above normal.

temporarily. (Also, n.) person employed ~ly.

term¹. ~s of trade, ratio between prices paid for imports & received for exports.

terrace. ~house, one of row of houses joined by party-walls.

territorial (a.). ~waters, marginal waters under the jurisdiction of a State, esp. that part of the sea within three miles of the shore measured from low-water mark.

Thalia. (Also) one of the Graces.

thé dansant (tā dahnsahñ'). n. Afternoon tea with dancing. [F]

thermo-. ~nuclear (hydrogen) bomb; ~setting, (of plastics) setting when heated.

three. ~decker, (also) novel in ~ volumes; ~lane, wide enough for ~lines of traffic.

through. *~(Also) up to & including (from Friday ~ Tuesday). ~put n., amount of material put ~ in a manufacturing etc. process.

thumb (n.). *~tack, drawing-pin.

|| tidd^{ler}, n. (Nursery name for) stickle-back. [?]

tig^{on}, n. Offspring of tiger & lioness. [portinanteau wd]

tin (n.). ~pan alley, (fig.) the world of the composers & publishers of popular music.

title. (Also) a book or publication.

Tit^oism (tō-), n. Marshal Tito's kind of Communism in Yugoslavia as dist. from that of Russia & her satellite countries. So ~IST (2) n. & a. [-ISM (3)]

tolerance. (Also) permissible variation in dimension, weight, &c.

too (adv.). (Also, colloq.) very (you are ~ kind; he is not ~ well today).

tōrc, n. See TORQUE.

trace¹. ~elements (occurring, or required to be present, esp. in soil, in ~s). **tracer,** (also) artificially produced radio-active isotope introduced into human body in food or otherwise & capable of being followed in its course by the radiations it produces.

tractor. (Also) self-propelled vehicle for hauling other vehicles, farm machines, etc.

traffic. *~circle, roundabout. Hence (also) ~ātor n., movable direction-indicator on motor vehicle.

tranquil. ~lizer, (also) sedative drug.

*trānsceiv^{er} (-nsév-), n. Combined radio transmitter & receiver. [f. trans-mitter + receiver]

transcribe. (Also, Radio) record for subsequent reproduction, broadcast by transcription (recorded programme).

trānsis^{tor} (-s-), n. Non-vacuum electronic device performing functions usu. performed by the thermionic valve.

[f. transfer + resistor]

trānsfrāⁿic, a. (chem.). (Of elements) having a higher atomic number than uranium 238. [TRANS-]

tri-. ~*chlor'ide* (-kl-), compound of element or radical with three atoms of chlorine.

trit'ium, n. (chem.). Heavy isotope of hydrogen with mass about three times that of ordinary hydrogen. [f. Gk *tritos* third + -IUM]

triv'ia, n. pl. Trifles, trivialities. [mod. L, sec TRIVIAL]

triz'one, n. The British, American, & French zones of occupation in Germany after the 1939-45 war. Hence **trizōn'** ALA. [TRI- + ZONE]

trouble (n.). *~*shooter* (colloq.), man employed to detect & correct mechanical faults.

turb'o-, comb. form of TURBINE; ~*jet engine* (having a turbine-driven compressor for supplying compressed air to the combustion chamber); ~*prop(eller)-engine* (having a turbine-driven propeller).

twin (a.). ~ *set*, woman's matching cardigan & jumper.

U

ultra-. ~*sōn'ic* a., =SUPERSONIC; ~*sōn'ics* n. pl., =SUPERSONICS.

ūm'bles (-blz), n. pl. (obs.). Edible offal of deer; attrib. in *umble-pie* (cf. HUMBLE pie). [var. of OF *numbles* f. L *lumbulus* dim. of *lumbus* loin]

un-² (1). *Unget-at-able*, inaccessible.

under-. ~*line*¹, (also) stress, emphasize; *~*pass*, subway.

ūn'derpriv'ileged (-jīd), a. Less privileged than others, belonging to the lower classes of society. [UNDER-3]

uni-. ~*lateral*, (also, of car-parking) restricted to one side of the street.

up (a.). **Up-and-coming*, enterprising, alert.

Urān'ia (ūr-), n. The Muse of astronomy. [L, f. Gk *ouranos* heaven]

V

vacuum. (Also, colloq.) ~ cleaner.

vāl'gus, n. Deformity involving outward bending of distal part of limb; knock-kneed person. [L]

variety. (Also) = ~ entertainment or show.

vector. (Also, v.t.) direct (aircraft in flight) to desired point.

venere'al. Hence ~*ol'ogist*, ~*ol'ogy*, nn.

view (n.). ~*point*, point of ~.

virement (vī'r'māh), n. Power to transfer items from one account to another. [F]

***vise**, n. & v.t. = VICE¹.

vital, ~ *statistics*, (also, colloq.) feminine measurements of bust, waist, & hips.

vraic (vrāk), n. A seaweed found in the Channel Isles, used for fuel and manure. [F dial.; cf. VAREO]

W

waf'fle¹ (wā-), v.i. & n. (Indulge in) continual rapid chatter, twaddle. [f]

walk¹. ~*ie-talkie* (wawk'i-tawk'i) n., small transmitting & receiving radio set carried on the person.

walk². *~*way*, passage for walking along, esp. one connecting different sections of a building; wide path in garden etc.

war¹. ~*monger*, one who seeks to bring about ~.

Wardour Street. (Now also or esp. used for) the film trade.

water¹. ||~ *bus*, river craft carrying passengers on regular run; ~*diviner*, dowser (see DOWSING); ~*splash*, part of road submerged by stream or pool.

weasel. * (Also, v.i.) equivocate, quibble.

wedge (n.). (Also) golf-club with ~-shaped head used for approaching.

weight¹. (Also, Statistics) multiply components of (average) by compensating factors. Hence ~*ing*¹ (wāt-) n., extra pay or allowances given in special cases.

welt¹ (n.). (Also) border or edging of garment etc., trimming.

wheel¹. ~ *base*, distance between front & rear axles of vehicle.

whip¹. ~*ping-boy*, (also, fig.) scapegoat.

white¹. ~ *coal*, water power [F *houille blanche*]; ~*collar worker*, one not engaged in manual labour; ~ *night*, a sleepless night [F *nuît blanche*].

wide (a.). (Also, sl.) crafty, as ~ *boy*.

wind¹. ~*tunnel*, tunnel-like apparatus for producing air-stream of known velocity past model aircraft etc. to investigate effect of ~ pressure on structure.

wing. (Also) mudguard of motor vehicle.

|| **wōdge**, n. (colloq.). Chunk. [perh. f. WEDGE]

wōg n. (army sl.). Native of a Middle Eastern country, esp. Egypt. [f]

work¹. ~*piece*, thing worked on with tool or machine; ~ *study*, system of measuring jobs so that they can produce the best results for employees & employer.

Y

yaourt (yah'oort), **yog(h)urt** (yōg'oort), n. A sour fermented liquor made from milk in the Levant. [f. Turk. *yōghurt*]

***yēn**¹, n. & v.i. (sl.). 1. Longing, yearning.

2. v.i. Yearn. [Chin., =smoke, opium]

yet'i (yā-), n. Native (Sherpa) name for the Abominable †Snowman.

Z

zebra. ~ *crossing*, striped street-crossing where pedestrians have precedence over other traffic.

APPENDIX I

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

(For list of special abbreviations used in text see p. xiv)

ABBREVIATIONS are made chiefly in two ways. (1) The beginning of the word is given, and at any point (after one letter, after all but one letter, or anywhere between) it is cut short with a full stop; so N. = North, Liv. = Livy, syn. = synonym; the full stop serves to announce that it is needless to go further with the word. (The mathematical abbreviations for cosecant, cosine, cotangent, secant, sine, and tangent, namely cosec, cos, cot, sec, sin, and tan, are used without the full stop. Sometimes, as in ENSA and SCAPA, the full stop is omitted between the letters.) (2) Some portion of the middle of the word is dropped out, the first and last letters being retained with or without others between; so wt = weight, hrs = hours, exrx = executrix, Abp = Archbishop; the writing of a full stop at the end of these on the analogy of that in 1, though now usual, is to be deprecated; it is not a natural device (as in 1), but artificial; it has very rarely the merit of announcing that the letters printed are not a full word, since that is nearly always clear without it (*caps* for *capitals* is one of the few exceptions); and it has always the demerit of failing to let the reader know that in the riddle he is called upon to read the last as well as the first letter is given him. There is also a mixed class in which the full stop at the end does convey that the end of the word is missing, but without implying (as in 1) that all the letters up to that point are present; such are eg. = c(enti)g(ram), cf. = c(on)f(er), avdp. = av(oir)d(ul)p(ois); the first two of these consist of the initial letters of their words' etymological elements, the last gives the first letter followed by such of the consonants as may suggest the general sound.

The method adopted in the following list is to omit the otiose full stop in accordance with the view expressed above; it is, however, to be understood that all abbreviations here given without the full stop may also be, and more frequently are, used with it. The U.S. State names and those of British counties should be mentioned; in the former we give the full stop or omit it as explained above (Vt, Va, Ky, for Vermont, Virginia, Kentucky; Mass., O., Oreg., for Massachusetts, Ohio, Oregon); in the latter we write the full stop after the 's' (Yorks., Leics., Berks., etc.) as representing *shire*. Viz and oz are preferred to viz. and oz. on the ground that the z itself represents a written terminal flourish.

A., adult (i.e. for adults only, referring to cinema picture); air; alto; *avancer* (on timepiece regulator, = to accelerate).
 A.A., anti-aircraft; Automobile Association.
 A.A.A., *Agricultural Adjustment Administration; Amateur Athletic Association.
 A.A.F., Auxiliary Air Force.
 A.A.G., Assistant Adjutant-General.
 A. and M., Ancient and Modern (Hymns).
 A.A.Q.M.G., Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.
 A.B., able-bodied seaman.
 A.B.C., the alphabet; alphabetical train-table; Aerated Bread Company ('s Shop).

ab init., *ab initio* (= from the beginning).
 Abp, Archbishop.
 A.C., aircraftman; Alpine Club; alternating current; *ante Christum* (= before Christ).
 a/c, account.
 A.C.A., Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants.
 acc., account.
 A.C.F., Army Cadet Force.
 A.C.G.B., Arts Council of Great Britain.
 A.C.I., Army Council Instruction.
 A.C.I.S., Associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries.
 A.C.U., Autocycle Union.
 A.C.W., aircraftwoman.

- A.D.**, *anno Domini* (= in the year of our Lord). [Club].
A.D.C., aide-de-camp; Amateur Dramatic ad fin., *ad finem* (= towards the end).
ad init., *ad initium* (= at the beginning).
Adj., Adjutant.
Adm., Admiral.
adv., advertisement.
Æ (see A in dictionary).
A.E.F., Allied Expeditionary Force.
A.E.U., Amalgamated Engineering Union.
A.F., Admiral of the Fleet.
A.F.A., Amateur Football Association.
A.F.A.S., Associate of the Faculty of Architects & Surveyors.
A.F.C., Air Force Cross.
A.F.L., American Federation of Labour.
A.F.M., Air Force Medal.
A.F.O., Admiralty Fleet Order.
A.F.S., Army Fire Service; Auxiliary Fire Service.
A.F.V., Armoured Fighting Vehicle.
A.G., Adjutant-General; air gunner.
A.H., *anno Hegiræ* (= in the year of the Hegira).
A.I., Admiralty Instruction.
A.I.A., Associate of the Institute of Actuaries.
A.I.D., **A.I.H.**, artificial insemination by donor, by husband.
a.l., autograph letter.
A.L.A., American Library Association.
Ala., Alabama.
Alas., Alaska.
Alban., (Bp) of St Albans (see Cantuar.).
Ald., Alderman.
a.l.s., autograph letter signed.
A.M., Air Ministry; Albert Medal; = **M.A.**
a.m., *anno mundi* (= in the year of the world); *ante meridiem* (= before noon).
A.M.D.G., *ad majorem Dei gloriam* (= to the greater glory of God).
A.M.G.(O.T.), Allied Military Government (of Occupied Territory).
A.M.I.C.E., **A.M.I.E.E.**, **A.M.I.Mech.**
E., Associate Member of Institution of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Engineers.
A.M.S., Army Medical Staff (or Service).
A.M.S.E., Associate Member of the Society of Engineers.
A.M.T.P.I., Associate Member of the Town Planning Institute.
A.O., Army Order. [(in-Chief).
A.O.C. (-in-C.), Air Officer Commanding
A. of F., Admiral of the Fleet.
A.P., Associated Press.
A.P.M., Assistant Provost-Marshal.
Apocr., Apocrypha.
Apr., April.
A.Q.M.G., Assistant Quartermaster-General.
A.R., advice of receipt; annual return.
A.R.A., Associate of the Royal Academy.
A.R.A.D., Associate of the Royal Academy of Dancing.
A.R.A.M., Associate of the Royal Academy of Music.
A.R.C.M., **A.R.C.O.**, **A.R.C.S.**, Associate of the Royal College of Music, of Organists, of Science.
Argyl., Argyllshire.
A.R.I.B.A., Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects.
A.R.I.C., Associate of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.
A.R.I.C.S., Associate of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.
Ariz., Arizona.
Ark., Arkansas.
A.R.P., air raid precautions.
arr., arrives etc.
A.R.S.H., Associate of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health.
A.R.W.S., Associate of the Royal Society of Painters in Water Colours.
A.S., Anglo-Saxon.
Asaph., (Bishop) of St Asaph (see Cantuar.).
A.S.C., American Society of Cinematographers.
A.S.E., Amalgamated Society (or Associate of the Society) of Engineers.
A.S.L.E.F., Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers & Firemen.
A.S.L.I.B., Association of Special Libraries & Information Bureaux.
A.S.R.S., Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants.
Asst., Assistant.
A.T.A.(S.), Air Transport Auxiliary (Service).
A.T.C., Air Training Corps.
A.T.S., Auxiliary Territorial Service.
A.U., Angström unit.
A.U.C., *ab urbe condita* or *anno urbis conditæ* (= from, in the year of, the founding of the city, i.e. Rome).
Aug., August.
a.u.n., *absque ulla nota* (= unmarked).
A.V., Authorized Version (of the Bible).
avdp., avoidpoids.
A.V.M., Air Vice Marshal.
***A.W.O.L.**, absent without leave.
B, black (of pencil-lead).
B., *Beatus*, -a (= Blessed).
b., born; (in cricket) bowled, bye.
B.A., Bachelor of Arts; British Academy.
B.Agr(ic)., Bachelor of Agriculture.
B.A.O.R., British Army of the Rhine.
Bart., Baronet.
Bart's, St Bartholomew's Hospital.
Bath. & Well., (Bishop) of Bath & Wells (see Cantuar.).
BB, **BBB**, double, treble, black (of pencil-lead).
B.B.C., British Broadcasting Corporation.
B.C., Battery Commander; before Christ; British Columbia.
B.C.A., Bureau of Current Affairs.
B.Ch., = Ch.B.
B.C.L., Bachelor of Civil Law.
B.Com., Bachelor of Commerce.
B.D., Bachelor of Divinity.

- Bdr**, Bombardier.
bds, boards (in book-binding).
B.D.S.T., British double summer time.
B.E., (Order of the) British Empire.
B.E.A., British European Airways.
B.Ed., Bachelor of Education.
Beds., Bedfordshire.
B.E.F., British Expeditionary Force.
B.E.M., British Empire Medal.
B.Eng., Bachelor of Engineering.
Berks., Berkshire.
B.F., bloody fool.
B.F.B.S., British & Foreign Bible Society.
b.h.p., brake horse-power.
B.I.F., British Industries Fair.
B.L., Bachelor of Law.
B.Litt., Bachelor of Letters.
B.M., Bachelor of Medicine.
B.M.A., British Medical Association.
B.Mus., Bachelor of Music.
B.N.C., Brasenose College, Oxford.
B.O., body odour.
B.O.A., British Optical Association.
B.O.A.C., British Overseas Airways Corporation.
B.O.T., Board of Trade.
bot, bought.
B.P., British Pharmacopoeia; British Public.
bp, Bishop.
B.Q.M.S., Battery Quartermaster-Sergeant.
B.R., British Railways.
B.R.C.S., British Red Cross Society.
brev., brevet.
Brig.(-Gen.), Brigadier(-General).
Britt., Britain; British.
Britt., *Brit(t)an(n)iarum* (= of the Britains, on codas).
Bros, brothers.
B.S.A., Birmingham Small Arms (Co.); British South Africa.
B.S.A.A.C., British South American Airways Corporation.
B.S.A.P., British South Africa Police.
B.Sc., Bachelor of Science.
b.s.g.d.g., *breveté sans garantie du gouvernement* (= patented without government guarantee).
B.S.M., Battery Sergeant-Major.
B.S.I., British Standards Institution.
B.S.T., British summer time.
Bt, Baronet.
B.T.C., British Transport Commission.
B.Th.U., British thermal unit.
Bucks., Buckinghamshire.
B.U.P., British United Press.
B.V.M., *Beata Virgo Maria* (= the Blessed Virgin Mary).
B.W.I., British West Indies.
B.W.T.A., British Women's Temperance Association.
C, centum (= 100).
C., Centigrade.
c., caught; cent(s); century; chapter; circa; circle; celt; cubic.
C.A., chartered accountant (Ss.).
C.A.B., citizens' advice bureau.
Cal(iff), California.
Cambs., Cambridgeshire.
Can., Canada.
c. & b., caught & bowled.
Can., Canticles.
Canab., Cantabrigian.
Cantuar., of Canterbury. (The signature of certain bishops consists of their Christian name(s) or initial(s) followed by an abbreviation of the Latin adj. of place; thus Dr Fisher signs *Geoffrey Cantuar.*).
cap., capit (= chapter).
caps, capital letters.
Capt., Captain.
Card., Cardinal.
Carlisl., (Bishop) of Carlisle (see Cantuar.).
C.B., Companion of the Bath; confinement etc. to barracks; counter bombardment.
C.B.E., Commander of (the Order of) the British Empire.
C.C., County Council(ies); cricket club.
c.c., cubic centimetre.
C.C.C., *Civilian Conservation Corps; || Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.
C.C.S., casualty clearing station; Ceylon Civil Service.
C.D., Civil Defence; Contagious Diseases (Acts).
c.d., *c.div.*, cum dividend.
c.d.v., *carte de visite* (= visiting card).
C.E., Church of England; Civil Engineer.
C.E.A., Central Electricity Authority.
Cels., Celsius.
C.E.M.A., Council for the Encouragement of Music & the Arts (now Arts Council of Great Britain).
C.E.M.S., Church of England Men's Society.
Cent., Centigrade.
cent., centary.
Cestr., (Bishop) of Chester (see Cantuar.).
C.E.T.S., Church of England Temperance Society.
C.F., Chaplain to the Forces.
cf., *confer* (= compare).
cg., centigram.
C.G.M., Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.
C.G.S., centimetre, gramme, second (as elements in a system of scientific measurement); Chief of the General Staff.
C.G.T., *Confédération Générale du Travail* (= General Confederation of Labour; French T.U.C.).
C.H., Companion of.
ch., chap., chapter.
Chas., Charles.
Ch.B., *Chirurgiae Baccalaureus* (= Bachelor of Surgery).
Ch. Ch., Christ Church, Oxford.
C.H.E.L., Cambridge History of English
Ches., Cheshire.

Ch.M., *Chir.*

Surgery).

Chron., Chronicles (O.T.).**C.I.,** Channel Islands; (Order of the) Crown of India.**Cicestr.,** (Bishop) of Chichester (see Cantuar.).**C.I.D.,** Committee for Imperial Defence; Criminal Investigation Department.**C.I.E.,** Companion of (the Order of) the Indian Empire.**c.i.f.,** cost, insurance, freight.**C.I.G.S.,** Chief of the Imperial General Staff.**C.-in-C.,** Commander-in-Chief.**C.I.O.,** Congress of Industrial Organisations.**circ.,** *circa*; *circiter*.**C.J.,** Chief Justice.**cl.,** centilitre; class; classical.**Clar.,** Clarendon (type).**cm.,** centimetre.

[Society.

C.M.A.S., Clergy Mutual Assurance**C.M.B.,** (certificated by) Central Midwives' Board; coastal motor-boat.**Cmd,** command paper (with series number, as *Cmd 7957*).**Cmdr,** Commander.**Cmdre,** Commodore.**C.M.F.,** Central Mediterranean Forces.**C.M.G.,** Companion of (the Order of) St Michael & St George.**C.M.S.,** Church Missionary Society.**C.O.,** Colonial Office; commanding officer; conscientious objector.**Co.,** company; county.**c/o,** care of.**C.O.D.,** cash on delivery; Concise Oxford Dictionary.**C. of E.,** Church of England.**Col.,** Colonel; Colorado; Colossians (N.T.).**col.,** column.**Coll.,** College.**Colo.,** Colorado.**Col.-S(er)gt,** Colour-Sergeant.**Conn.,** Connecticut.**Cons.,** Conservative; Consul.**Co-op.,** Co-operative Society.**C.O.P.E.C.,** COPEC, Conference on Politics, Economics, & Citizenship.**Cor.,** Corinthians (N.T.).**Corn.,** Cornwall.**Corp.,** Corporal.**C.O.S.,** Charity Organization Society.**coe,** cosine.**cosac,** cosecant.**cot,** cotangent.**Coy,** Company.**c.p.,** candle-power.

, compare.

, Corporal.

P.O., Chief Petty Officer.**C.P.R.,** Canadian Pacific Railway.**C.P.R.E.,** Council for the Preservation of**C.Q.M.S.,** Company Quartermaster-Sergeant.**Cr, Creditor.****C.R.A., C.R.E.,** Commander Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers.**crec.,** crescendo.**crim. con.,** criminal conversation.**C.S.C.,** Conspicuous Service Cross.**C.S.C.S.,** Civil Service Co-operative Stores.**C.S.I.,** Companion of (the Order of) the Star of India.**C.S.M.,** Company Sergeant-Major.**C.T.C.,** Cyclists' Touring Club.**cu., cub.,** cubic.**C.U.A.C., C.U.A.F.C.,** Cambridge University Athletic Club, Association Football Club.**C.U.B.C., C.U.C.C., C.U.D.S., C.U.G.C., C.U.H.C., C.U.L.T.C.,** Cambridge University Boat Club, Cricket Club, Dramatic Society, Golf Club, Hockey Club, Lawn Tennis Club.**cum.,** cumulative.**Cumb.,** Cumberland.**cum d.,** cum div., cum dividend.**C.U.P.,** Cambridge University Press.**C.U.R.U.F.C.,** Cambridge University Rugby Union Football Club.**C.V.O.,** Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.**C.W.S.,** Co-operative Wholesale Society.**cwt,** hundredweight.**d.,** date; daughter; *dele* (= expunge); *denarius* (= penny); departs etc.; died.**d—,** damn.**D.A.,** District Attorney.**D.A.A.G.,** Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General.**D.A.B.,** Dictionary of American Biography.**D.A.D.M.S., D.A.D.O.S.,** Deputy Assistant Director of Medical, Ordnance, Services.**D.A.G.,** Deputy Adjutant-General.**dag.,** decagram.**Dak.,** Dakota.**dal.,** decalitre.**dam.,** decametre.**Dan.,** Daniel.**D.A.Q.M.G.,** Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General.**D.B.E.,** Dame Commander of (the Order of) the British Empire.**D.C.,** *da capo* (= repeat from the beginning; also d.c.); direct current; District of Columbia.**D.C.L.,** Doctor of Civil Law.**D.C.L.I.,** Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.**D.C.M.,** Distinguished Conduct Medal; District Court Martial.**D.D.,** Doctor of Divinity; *dono dedit* (= gave as a gift; also d.d.).**d—d,** damned.**D.D.D.,** *dat, dicit, dedit* (= gives, devotes, & dedicates; also d.d.d.).**D.D.S.,** Doctor of Dental Surgery.

D.D.T., dichlor-diphenyl-trichlorethane (an insecticide).
Dec., December.
deg., degree.
Del., Delaware.
del., *delineavit* (= drew this).
dep., departs etc.
dept., department.
Deut., Deuteronomy (O.T.).
D.F., direction finder (or finding).
D.F.C., D.F.M., Distinguished Flying Cross, Medal.
D.G., *Dei gratia* (= by the grace of God); Dragoon Guards.
dg., decigram.
dim., diminuendo; diminutive etc.
dkg., **dkl.**, **dkm.**, decagram, decalitre, decametre.
D.L., Deputy Lieutenant.
dl., decilitre.
D.L.I., Durham Light Infantry.
D.Lit., Doctor of Literature.
D.Litt., Doctor of Letters.
D.M., Doctor of Medicine.
dm., decimetre.
D.M.I., Director of Military Intelligence.
D.Mus., Doctor of Music.
d -n, damn.
D.N.B., Dictionary of National Biography.
do, ditto.
dol., dollar(s).
D.O.M., *Deo optimo maximo* (= to God the best & greatest).
D.O.R.A., Defence of the Realm Act.
doz., dozen.
D.P., displaced person.
D.P.H., Diploma in Public Health.
D.Phil., Doctor of Philosophy.
D.P.I., Director of Public Instruction.
D.R., dead reckoning; despatch rider.
Dr, Debtor; Doctor.
dr., drachm.
dram. pers., *dramatis personae* (= characters of the play).
D.S., *dal segno* (= repeat from the mark).
D.S.C., Distinguished Service Cross.
D.Sc., Doctor of Science.
D.S.M., D.S.O., Distinguished Service Medal, Order.
d.t(s)., D.T., delirium tremens.
Dunelm., (Bishop) of Durham (see Cantuar.).
D.Th(eol)., Doctor of Theology.
D.V., *Deo volente* (= God willing).
dwt, pennyweight.
dynam., dynamics.

E., East (as compass point, & as London postal district); Egyptian (in £E); Engineering.

E. & O.E., errors & omissions excepted.
E.B., Encyclopaedia Britannica.
E. by N., E by N, east by north.
Ebor., (Archbishop) of York (see Cantuar.).
E. by S., E by S, east by south.

E.C., East Central (London postal district).
E.C.A., Economic Co-operation Administration (now M.S.A.).
Eccles., Ecclesiastes (O.T.).
Ecclesi., Ecclesiastical (Apoc.).
E.C.U., English Church Union.
Ed., Edward.
ed., editor etc.
E.D.C., European Defence Community.
E.D.D., English Dialect Dictionary.
Edin., Edinburgh.
Edm., Edmund.
E.D.S., English Dialect Society.
Edw., Edward.

E.E.T.S., Early English Text Society.
e.g., *exempli gratia* (= for example).
E.I.S., Educational Institute of Scotland.
E. long., east longitude.
E.M.F., electromotive force.
E.N.E., ENE, east-north-east.
ENSA, Entertainments National Service Association; also En'sa.
ent. Sta. Hall, entered at Stationers' Hall.
E.P., electroplate.
Eph., Ephesians (N.T.).
E.P.N.S., electroplated nickel silver.
E.P.T., excess profits tax.
E.R., *Elizabeth Regina* (= Queen Elizabeth); East Riding (of Yorkshire).
E.R.P., European Recovery Programme.
E.S.E., ESE, east-south-east.
Esq., Esquire.
Esth., Esther (O.T.).
E.T.A., estimated time of arrival.
etc., *et cetera*.
et seq., *et seqq.*, *et sq.*, *et seqq.*, *et sequentia* (= and what follows).
E.T.U., Electrical Trades Union.
E.W.O., Essential Work Order.
exc., except; *excudit* (= engraved this).
ex div., *ex dividend*.
Exod., Exodus (O.T.).
Exon., (Bishop) of Exeter (see Cantuar.).
exor(s), executor(s).
exrx, executrix.
Ezek., Ezekiel (O.T.).

F, fine (of pencil-lead); French.
F., Fahrenheit.
f., feet; feminine; filly; foot; franc(s);
f., *forte* (= loud).
F.A., Football Association.
F.A.A., Fleet Air Arm.
f.a.s., free of all average.
Fahr., Fahrenheit.
F.A.N.Y., First Aid Nursing Yeomanry.
F.A.O., Food & Agriculture Organization.
f.a.s., free alongside ship.
F.B.A., Fellow of the British Academy.
F.B.I., *Federal Bureau of Investigation; | Federation of British Industries.
F.B.O.A., Fellow of the British Optical Association.
F.C., Football Club.
F.C.A., Fellow of the Institute of Char-
fcap, fcp, foolscap.

- F.C.I.S.**, Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries. (Faith).
F.D., *Fidei Defensor* (= Defender of the Feb., February.
fec., *fecit* or *fecerunt* (= made).
F.E.I.S., Fellow of the Educational Institute of Scotland.
***F.E.R.A.**, Federal Emergency Relief Administration.
fl., *fortissimo* (= very loud).
F.F.A.S., Fellow of the Faculty of Architects & Surveyors.
f.g.a., free of general average.
F.G.C.M., field general court-martial.
F.G.S., Fellow of the Geological Society.
F.H., fire hydrant.
F.I.A., Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries.
F.I.A.T., *Fabbrica Italiana Automobile Torino* (= Italian automobile factory, Turin).
Fid. Def., = F.D.
fi. fa., fieri factus (= see it is done).
fig., figure.
fin., *ad finem* (= towards the end).
f.i., *falsis lectio* (= false reading).
fl., florin(s); *floruit* (= flourished).
Fla., Florida.
flor., *floruit* (= flourished).
F.L.S., Fellow of the Linnean Society.
Flt-Lt., -*Sgt.*, Flight-Lieutenant, -Sergeant.
F.M., Field Marshal.
F.M.S., Federated Malay States.
F.O., Flying Officer; Foreign Office.
fo., folio.
f.o.b., free on board.
fol., folio.
f.o.r., free on rail. (suppl.)
F.P., field punishment; fire plug; former
fp., *forte-piano* (= loud, then soft).
Fr., Father.
Fr., French.
fr., franc(s).
F.R.A.D., Fellow of the Royal Academy of Dancing.
F.R.A.M., Fellow of the Royal Academy of Music.
F.R.A.S., Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society.
F.R.C.M., **F.R.C.O.**, **F.R.C.P.(E.)**, Fellow of the Royal College of Music, of Organists, of Physicians (of Edinburgh).
F.R.C.S.(E.), Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (of Edinburgh).
F.R.G.S., Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.
Fri., Friday.
F.R.I.B.A., Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects.
F.R.I.C., Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.
F.R.I.C.S., Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.
Fri., *frigiditas* (= cold).
F.R.P.S., Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society.
- F.R.S.**, Fellow of the Royal Society.
F.R.S.A., **F.R.S.E.**, Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, of Edinburgh.
F.R.S.G.S., Fellow of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society.
F.R.S.H., Fellow of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health.
F.R.S.L., **F.R.S.S.**, Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, of the Royal Statistical Society.
F.S., Fleet Surgeon.
F.S.A., Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, of Arts.
F.S.E., Fellow of the Society of Engineers.
F.S.M.C., Freeman of the Spectacle Makers' Company.
F.S.R., Field Service Regulations.
F.S.S., Fellow of the Statistical Society.
F.S.S.U., Federated Student Union System for Universities.
ft., feet; foot.
fur., furlong.
F.W.A., Family Welfare Association.
F.Z.S., Fellow of the Zoological Society.
- g.**, guinea.
Ga., Georgia.
Gal., Galatians (N.T.).
gal., gallon(s).
G.A.T.T., General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade.
G.B., Great Britain.
G.B.E., Knight (or Dame) Grand Cross (of the Order) of the British Empire.
G.B.S., George Bernard Shaw.
G.C., George Cross.
G.C.A., ground control(ed) approach (of aircraft).
G.C.B., Knight Grand Cross of the Bath.
G.C.E., General Certificate of Education.
G.C.F., greatest common factor.
G.C.I.E., Knight Grand Commander (of the Order) of the Indian Empire.
G.C.M., general court-martial; greatest common measure.
G.C.M.G., Knight Grand Cross (of the Order) of St Michael & St George.
G.C.S.I., Knight Grand Commander (of the Order) of the Star of India.
G.C.V.O., Knight Grand Cross of the (Royal) Victorian Order.
Gen., General; Generalis (O.T.).
Geo., George.
Ger., German.
G.G., Grenadier Guards.
G.H.Q., General Headquarters.
***G.I.**, government issue; (colloq.) enlisted man.
Gib., Gibraltar.
Glam., Glamorganshire.
Glos., Gloucestershire.
G.M., George Medal.
gm., gramme(s).
G.M.C., General Medical Council.
G.M.T., Greenwich mean time.
G.O.C. (-in-C.), General Officer Commanding (-in-Chief).

- G.O.M.**, grand old man.
G.P., general practitioner (doctor).
G.P.I., general paralysis of the insane.
G.P.O., General Post Office.
G.R., general reserve; *Georgius Rex* (= King George).
gr., grain(s); grammar.
grm., gramme.
G.S., general service.
gs, guineas.
G.S.O., General Staff Officer.
gym., gymnasium; gymnastics.
- H**, hard (of pencil-lead).
h., hour(s).
H.A.A., heavy anti-aircraft.
Hab., Habakkuk (O.T.).
H.A.C., Honourable Artillery Company.
Hag., Haggai (O.T.).
h. & c., hot & cold (water).
Hants, Hampshire.
HB, hard black (of pencil-lead).
H.B.M., Her (or His) Britannic Majesty.
H.C. (B.), House of Commons (Bill).
H.C.F., highest common factor.
H.C.S., Home Civil Service.
H.E., high explosive; His Excellency.
Heb., Hebrew; Hebrews (N.T.).
hectog., hectol., hectom., hectogram, hectolitre, hectometre.
Herts., Hertfordshire.
hf bd, half-bound.
hf cf, half-calf.
- H.G.**, High German (also HG); His (or Her) Grace; Holy Ghost; Home Guard; Horse Guards.
hg., hectogram.
H.H., His (or Her) Highness; His Holiness (the Pope).
HH, double hard (of pencil-lead).
hhd, hogshead.
HHH, treble hard (of pencil-lead).
H.I.H., H.I.M., His (or Her) Imperial Highness, Majesty.
H.K., House of Keys (Isle of Man).
H.L., House of Lords.
hl., hectolitre.
H.L.I., Highland Light Infantry.
H.M., Her (or His) Majesty.
hm., hectometre.
H.M.A.S., H.M.C.S., Her (or His) Majesty's Australian, Canadian, Ship.
H.M.I.(S.), Her (or His) Majesty's Inspector (of Schools).
H.M.S., H.M.T., Her (or His) Majesty's Ship, Trawler.
H.O., Home Office; hostilities only.
ho., house.
Hon., Honorary; Honourable.
Hon. Sec., Honorary Secretary.
Hos., Hosea (O.T.).
h.p., half-pay; high pressure; hire purchase; horse-power.
H.Q., Headquarters.
hr, hour.
H.R.H., His (or Her) Royal Highness.
hrs, hours.
- H.S.E.**, *hic sepultus est* (= here is buried).
H.S.H., His (or Her) Serene Highness.
h.t., high tension.
ht wt, hit wicket.
Hunts., Huntingdonshire.
h.w., hit wicket.
H.W.M., high-water mark.
Hy, Henry.
- I.**, Idaho; Island(s).
I.A., Indian Army.
ib., *ibid.*, *ibidem*.
i/c, in charge.
I.C.B.M., inter-continental ballistic missile.
I.C.S., Indian Civil Service.
id., *idem*.
I.D.B., illicit diamond buying.
I.E., (Order of) the Indian Empire.
i.e., *id est*.
i.h.p., indicated horse-power.
IHS (see dictionary).
Ill., Illinois.
I.L.O., International Labour Organization.
I.L.P., Independent Labour Party.
I.M.S., Indian Medical Service.
in., inch(es).
inc., Incorporated.
incog., incognito.
Ind., India(n); Indiana.
inf., *infra*.
init., *initio*.
I.N.R.I., *Jesus Nazarenus Rex Iudeorum* (= Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews).
inst., instant (= of the current month).
int. comb., internal combustion.
internat., international.
inv., *invenit*, *invenerunt*.
I. of M., I. of W., Isle of Man, of Wight.
I.O.G.T., International Order of Good Templars.
I.O.M., Isle of Man.
IOU (see dictionary).
I.O.W., Isle of Wight.
I.Q., intelligence quotient.
i.q., *idem quod*.
I.R.A., I.R.B., Irish Republican Army, Brotherhood.
I.R.O., International Refugee Organization.
Is., Isaiah (also Isa.); Island. (Don.
I.S.O., Imperial Service Order.
I.T.A., Independent Television Authority.
it(al)., *italic* (type).
I.W., Isle of Wight.
I.W.T.(D.), Inland Water Transport (Department).
I.W.W., Industrial Workers of the World.
- J.**, Judge; Justice.
J.A., Judge Advocate.
J.A.G., Judge Advocate-General.
Jam., Jamaica; James (N.T.).
Jan., January.
Jas, James.
J.C., Justice Clerk.
Jer., Jeremiah.

- in, junction.**
Jno., John.
Jon., Jonathan.
Jos., Joseph.
Josh., Joshua (also O.T.).
J.P., Justice of the Peace.
Jr., junior.
J.T.C., Junior Training Corps (in schools).
Jud., Judith (Apoc.).
Judg., Judges (O.T.).
jun., junr., junior.
- Kan., Kansas.**
K.B., King's Bench.
K.B.E., Knight Commander (of the Order) of the British Empire.
K.C., King's College; King's Counsel; Knight(s) of Columbus.
kc., kilocycle(s).
K.C.B., K.C.I.E., K.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., K.C.V.O., Knight Commander (of the Order) of the Bath, (of the Order) of the Indian Empire, (of the Order) of St Michael & St George, (of the Order) of the Star of India, of the (Royal) Victorian Order.
K.G., Knight (of the Order) of the Garter.
kg., kilogram.
K.H.C., K.H.P., K.H.S., Honorary Chaplain, Physician, Surgeon, to the King.
***K.K.K., Ku Klux Klan.**
kl., kilolitre.
km., kilometre.
Knt., Knight.
K.O., knock-out.
K.O.S.B., K.O.Y.L.I. King's Own Scottish Borderers, Yorkshire Light Infantry.
K.P., Knight (of the Order) of St Patrick.
K.R., King's Regulations.
K.R.R.C., King's Royal Rifle Corps.
K.S., King's Scholar.
K.S.L.I., King's Shropshire Light Infantry.
K.T., Knight (of the Order) of the Thistle; Knight Templar.
Kt., Knight.
kv., kilovolt.
kw., kilowatt.
Ky., Kentucky.
- L, Latin; learner (on motor vehicle); Roman numeral = 50.**
L., Liberal.
l., left; libra(s) = pound(s); line; lira; lire; litre(s).
La, Louisiana.
L.A.A., light anti-aircraft.
Lab., Labour; Labrador.
L.A.C., leading aircraftman; London Athletic Club.
Lam., Lamentations (O.T.).
Lancs., Lancashire.
Lat., Latin.
lat., latitude.
l.b., leg-bye.
- lb., libra(s) = pound(s) in weight.**
L.-Bdr., Lance-Bombardier.
l.b.w., leg before wicket.
L.C., left centre (of stage).
L.C., loco citato; lower case (of print).
L.C.C., London County Council.
L.C.J., Lord Chief Justice.
L.C.M., lowest common multiple.
L.C.P., Licentiate of the College of Preceptors.
L.-Cpl., Lance-Corporal.
Ld, limited; Lord.
L.D.S., Licentiate in Dental Surgery.
Leics., Leicestershire.
Lev., Leviticus (O.T.).
L.F.A.S., Licentiate of the Faculty of Architects & Surveyors.
L.G., Life Guards.
L.G.U., Ladies' Golf Union.
Lib., Liberal.
Lieut., Lieutenant.
Lieut.-Col., -Gen., -Gov., Lieutenant-Colonel, -General, -Governor.
L.I.F.O., L.I.L.O., last in first out, last in last out (stock valuation).
Lincs., Lincolnshire.
Linn., Linnaeus.
Lit. Hum., literae humaniores.
Litt.D., litterarum doctor.
Liv., Livy.
L.J., Lord Justice.
L.J.J., Lords Justices.
ll., lines. [Laws].
LL.B., legum baccalaureus (= Bachelor of LL.D., legum doctor (= Doctor of Laws)).
L.M.S., London Missionary Society.
loc. cit., loco citato.
log., logarithm; logic.
London., London., (Bishop) of London (see Cantuar.).
long., longitude.
loq., loquitor. [sure].
l.p., large paper; long primer; low press.
L.P.T.B., London Passenger Transport Board.
L.R.A.D., Licentiate of the Royal Academy of Dancing.
L.R.A.M., Licentiate of the Royal Academy of Music.
L.R.C., Leander, London, Rowing Club.
L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, Surgeons.
l.s., locus sigilli (= the place of the seal).
L.S.D., = l. s. d.; Lightermen, Stevedores, & Dockers.
L.S.O., London Symphony Orchestra.
Lt, Lieutenant.
lt., landed terms; low tension.
L.T.A., Lawn Tennis Association; London Teachers' Association.
L.T.C., Lawn Tennis Club.
Lt-Col., Lt-Comm(m), Lieutenant-Colonel, -Commander.
Ltd, Limited.
Lt-Gen., Lt-Gov., Lieutenant-General, -Governor.
L.W.M., low-water mark.

- LXX, Septuagint.
 £, libra (c) (= pounds sterling).
 £E, pounds Egyptian.
 £. s. d. (see dictionary).
 £T, pounds Turkish.
- M., Monsieur.
 m., maiden (over); male; mark(s) (coin); married; masculine; metre(s); mile(s); million(s); minute(s).
 M.A., Master of Arts; Military Academy.
 M.A.B., Metropolitan Asylums Board.
 Macc., Maccabees (Apocr.).
 Maj., Major; Maj.-Gen., Major-General.
 Mal., Malachi (O.T.).
 Man., Manitoba (also Manit.).
 Mancun., (Bishop) of Manchester (see Cantuar.).
 M. & B., initials of manufacturers (May & Baker) used as name of therapeutic drug (also M. & B. 693).
 Mar., March.
 Mass., Massachusetts.
 matric., matriculation.
 Matt., Matthew.
 M.B., *medicinae baccalaureus* (= Bachelor of Medicine).
 M.B.E., Member (of the Order) of the British Empire.
 M.C., Master of Ceremonies; Member of Congress (or Council); Military Cross.
 M.C.C., Marylebone Cricket Club.
 M.Ch., *magister chirurgiae* (= Master of Surgery).
 M.D., *medicinae doctor* (= Doctor of Medicine); mentally deficient.
 Md., Maryland. (title).
 Me, Maine; *Maitre* (French advocate's).
 M.E.L.F., Middle East Land Forces.
 mem., *memento* (= remember).
 memo., memorandum.
 Messrs (see *MESSIEURS*).
 met., meteorology etc.
 Met.R., Metropolitan Railway (London).
 Metro., Metropolitan Railway (Paris).
 mf., *mezzo forte* (= half loud).
 M.F.H., Master of Foxhounds.
 m.g., machine gun.
 mg., milligram(s).
 Mgr, Monseigneur; Monsignor (pl. *Mgri*).
 M.I., Military Intelligence (*M.I.5*, branch dealing with security & counter-espionage in Britain); Mounted Infantry.
 Mic., Micah (O.T.).
 M.I.C.E., = M.Inst.C.E.
 Mich., Michaelmas; Michigan.
 Milt., Milton.
 M.I.M.E., M.I.Mech.E., Member of the Institution of Mining, Mechanical, Engineers.
 Minn., Minnesota.
 M.Inst.C.E., Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers.
 misc., miscellaneous; miscellany.
 Miss., Mississippi.
 M.I.T., Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- mk, mark (coin).
 ml., millilitre(s).
 M.L.A., Member of the Legislative Assembly; Modern Languages Association.
 Mlle, Mademoiselle (pl. *Milles*).
 M.L.N.S., Ministry of Labour & National Service.
 M.M., Military Medal.
 MM., Messieurs.
 mm., millimetre(s).
 Mme, Madame (pl. *Mmes*).
 M.Mus., Master of Music.
 M.N., Merchant Navy.
 M.N.I., Ministry of National Insurance.
 M.O., mass observation; Medical Officer; money order.
 Mo., Missouri.
 Mods, Moderations (Oxf. Univ.).
 M.O.H., Medical Officer of Health; Ministry of Health.
 Mon., Monday; Monmouthshire.
 Mont., Montana. (ings).
 M.O.W.B., Ministry of Works & Buildings.
 M.P., Member of Parliament; military police.
 mp., *mezzo piano* (= half soft).
 m.p.g., m.p.h., miles per gallon, per hour.
 M.P.S., Member of the Pharmaceutical (or Philological or Physical) Society.
 M.R., Master of the Rolls; municipal reform(er).
 Mr (see *MISTER*).
 M.R.C.P. (E., I.), Member of the Royal College of Physicians (of Edinburgh, of Ireland).
 M.R.C.S. (E., I.), Member of the Royal College of Surgeons (of Edinburgh, of Ireland).
 M.R.C.V.S., Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.
 M.R.G.S., Member of the Royal Geographical Society.
 Mrs (see dictionary).
 M.R.S.H., Member of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health.
 MS., manuscript.
 M.S.A., Mutual Security Agency (replacing E.C.A.).
 M.Sc., Master of Science. (neers).
 M.S.E., Member of the Society of Engineers.
 M.S.L., mean sea-level.
 M.S.M., Meritorious Service Medal.
 MSS., manuscripts.
 M.T., Mechanical (or Motor) Transport.
 Mt, Mount.
 M.T.B., motor torpedo-boat.
 M.T.P.I., Member of the Town Planning Institute.
 Mus.B(ac.), Mus.D(oc.), Mus.M., *musicae baccalaureus, doctor, magister* (= Bachelor, Doctor, Master, of Music).
 M.V., motor vessel; (also m.v.) muzzle velocity. (Ords).
 M.V.O., Member of the (Royal) Victoria.
 M.W.B., Metropolitan Water Board.
 Mx, Middlesex.

- N.**, Nationalist; Navigator; New; North (as compass point, & as London postal district).
n., neuter; nominative; neon; noun.
N.A.A.F.I., Navy, Army, & Air Force Institutes (also Naaf, pr. nat'l).
Nah., Nahum (O.T.).
N.A.L.G.O., National & Local Government Officers' Association (also Nat'l G.O.).
N.A.S.D., National Amalgamated Stevedores & Dockers.
Nat., Nathaniel; National (lat).
N.A.T.O., North Atlantic Treaty Organization (also Nat'l O.).
N.B., New Brunswick; North Britain; *nada bene*.
n.b., no ball (Cricket).
N. by E., N by E, North by East.
N.B.G., *n.b.g.*, no bloody good.
N. by W., N by W, North by West.
N.C., North Carolina.
N.C.B., National Coal Board.
N.C.C.V.D., National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases.
N.C.O., non-commissioned officer.
N.C.U., National Cyclists' Union.
n.d., no date; not dated.
N.Dak., North Dakota.
N.D.C., National Defence Contribution.
N.E., NE, North-east (era).
N.E. by E., NE by E, N.E. by N., NE by N, North-east by East, by North.
Neb(r)., Nebraska. [O.E.D.].
N.E.D., New English Dictionary (= *Nek.*, Nehemiah (O.T.)).
nem. con., *nem. dis(s)*, *nemine contradicente, dissente*.
Nev., Nevada.
N.F., Newfoundland; Norman French.
N.F.S., National Fire Service.
N.F.U., National Farmers' Union.
N.H., New Hampshire.
N.H.I., National Health Insurance.
n.h.p., nominal horse-power.
N.H.S., National Health Service.
N.J., New Jersey.
N.L., National Liberal; north latitude (also N. lat.).
N.L.C., N.L.F., National Liberal Club, Federation.
N.Mex., New Mexico.
N.N.E., NNE, North-north-east.
N.N.W., NNW, North-north-west.
N.O., natural order.
n.o., not out (Cricket).
No, numero (= in number); number.
N.O.D., Naval Ordnance Department.
N.O.I.C., Naval Officer in charge.
nom., nominal.
non-com., non-commissioned officer.
Northants., Northamptonshire.
Northumb., Northumberland.
Norvic., (Bishop) of Norwich (see *Canter.*).
No., see, numbers.
Notts., Nottinghamshire.
Nov., November.
N.P., Notary Public.
n.p., net personality; new paragraph.
n.p. or d., no place or date.
N.R., Northern Rhodesia; North Riding (of Yorkshire).
nr, near.
N.R.A., *National Recovery Administration; National Rifle Association.
N.S., new style; Nova Scotia.
n.s., not sufficient (funds to meet cheque).
N.S.A., National Skating Association.
N.S.P.C.C., National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.
N.S.W., New South Wales.
N.T., New Testament; Northern Territory (Australia).
N.U.G.M.W., National Union of General & Municipal Workers.
N.U.M., National Union of Mineworkers.
Nums., Numbers (O.T.).
N.U.R., **N.U.S.E.C.**, **N.U.T.**, **N.U.W.T.**, National Union of Railwaymen, of Societies for Equal Citizenship, of Teachers, of Women Teachers.
N.W., NW, North-west; North-western (London postal district).
N.W. by N., NW by N, N.W. by W., NW by W, North-west by North, by West.
N.W. Prov., North-west Provinces (India).
N.W.T., North-west Territories (Canada).
N.Y.(C.), New York (City).
N.Z., New Zealand.
O., observer; Ohio.
O.A.S., on active service.
ob., *obit*.
Obad., Obadiah (O.T.).
obdt., obedient.
O.B.E., Officer of the (Order of the) British Empire.
ob.s.p., *obit sine prole* (= died without issue).
O.C., Officer Commanding.
Oct., October.
oct., octavo.
O.C.T.U., Officer Cadets Training Unit (also Oc'tu).
O.E.D., Oxford English Dictionary.
O.E.E.C., Organization for European Economic Co-operation.
O.F.C., Overseas Food Corporation.
O.F.M., Order of Friars Minor.
O.F.S., Orange Free State.
O.H.M.S., on Her (or His) Majesty's Service.
O.K., all correct.
Okla., Oklahoma.
Ol., Olympiad.
O.M., Order of Merit.
Ont., Ontario.
O.P., observation post; (also o.p.) opposite prompt (*sic*, in theatre); *Ordinis Praedicatorum* (= of the Order of Preachers, i.e. Dominicans).
o.p., out of print; over proof.
op., opus.

- op. cit., *opere citato* (= in the work quoted).
- opp., opposite.
- O.R., other ranks.
- ord., ordained; order; ordinary.
- Ore(g.), Oregon.
- O.S., old style; ordinary seaman; Ordnance Survey; outsize.
- O.S.A., O.S.B., O.S.D., O.S.F., of the Order of St Augustine, Benedict, Dominic, Francis.
- O.T., Old Testament.
- O.T.C., Officers' Training Corps.
- O.U.A.C., O.U.A.F.C., O.U.B.C., O.U.C.C., Oxford University Athletic Association Football, Boat, Cricket, Club.
- O.U.D.S., Oxford University Dramatic Society.
- O.U.G.C., O.U.H.C., O.U.L.T.C., Oxford University Golf, Hockey, Lawn Tennis, Club.
- O.U.P., Oxford University Press.
- O.U.R.F.C., Oxford University Rugby Football Club.
- Oxf., Oxford.
- Oxon., (Bishop) of Oxford (see Cantuar.); Oxfordshire; Oxford University.
- oz, ounce(s).
- P., (car) park; pawn (Chess); pedestrian (crossing).
- p., page; particle; past; perch.
- p., piano.
- P.A., Press Association.
- p.a., *per annum*.
- Pa, Pennsylvania.
- P. & O., Peninsular & Oriental (Steamship Co.).
- par., paragraph.
- P.A.Y.E., pay as you earn.
- Paym. (-Gen.), Paymaster(-General).
- P.B., Prayer Book.
- P.B.I., poor bloody infantry.
- P.C., police constable; postcard; Privy Council(lor).
- p.c., per cent; postcard.
- pd, paid.
- pd., pounder (of fish, gun, etc.).
- p.e., personal estate.
- P.E.N., (International Association of) Poets, Playwrights, Editors, Essayists, & Novelists.
- pen(in)., peninsula.
- Penn., Penna, Pennsylvania.
- P.E.P., Political & Economic Planning.
- per pro., *per procuracionem* (= by proxy).
- Pet., Peter (N.T.).
- Petriburg., (Bishop) of Peterborough (see Cantuar.).
- P.F., Procurator Fiscal.
- pf, piano forte (= soft, then loud).
- *p.f.c., private first class.
- P.G., paying guest.
- P.G.A., Professional Golfers' Association.
- Ph.B., Ph.D., *philosophiae baccalaureus doctor* (= Bachelor, Doctor, of Philosophy).
- Phil., Philipians (N.T.).
- phot., photograph.
- pinx., *pinxit*.
- pl., place; plate; plural.
- P.L.A., Port of London Authority.
- P.M., Prime Minister; Provost Marshal.
- p.m., *post meridiem*; *post mortem*.
- P.M.G., Paymaster-General; Postmaster-General.
- p.m.h., production per man-hour.
- P.M.O., Principal Medical Officer.
- pinx., *pinxit*.
- P.O., Petty Officer; Pilot Officer; postal order; Post Office.
- pop., population.
- P.O.S.B., Post Office Savings Bank.
- P.O.W., prisoner of war.
- P.P., parcel post; Parish Priest.
- p.p., past participle; = *per pro*.
- p.p., pages.
- pp., *pianissimo*. (leave).
- P.P.C., *pour prendre congé* (= to take leave).
- P.P.S., Parliamentary Private Secretary; *post postscriptum* (= further postscript).
- P.R., proportional representation.
- pr, pair; pounder.
- P.R.A., President of the Royal Academy.
- P.R.B., Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood.
- Preb., Prebendary.
- Pref., Preface.
- pref., preference etc.; prefix.
- prep., preparation; preposition.
- Pres., President.
- P.R.O., Public Relations Officer.
- Prof., Professor.
- Prol., Prologue.
- prop., proposition.
- pro tem., *pro tempore* (= for the time).
- Prov., Proverbs (O.T.).
- prox., *proximo*.
- prox. acc., *proxime accessit*.
- P.S., police sergeant; postscript; (also p.s.) prompt slide.
- Ps., Psalms (O.T.).
- P.S.A., Pleasant Sunday Afternoon.
- P.T., physical training.
- pt, part; pint; port.
- Pte, Private (soldier).
- P.T.O., please turn over.
- pty, proprietary.
- P.W.D., Public Works Department.
- pinx., *pinxit*.
- Q., Queen.
- q., query.
- Q.A.I.M.N.S., Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.
- J.B., Q.C., Queen's Bench, Counsel.
- J.E.D., Q.E.F., Q.E.I., see quod.
- J.F., quick-firing (gun).
- J.I., *quantum libet*.
- J.M., Quartermaster.
- J.M.G., Q.M.S., Quartermaster-General, Sergeant.
- q.p., *quantum placet*.
- qr, quarter.

Q.S., Quarter Sessions.

q.s., *quantum sufficit*.

q.t. (sl.), quiet (on the strict *q.t.*, privately, avoiding notice).

qt, quart(s).

qu., quasi; query.

quant. suff., *quantum sufficit*.

Que., Quebec.

quot., quotation etc.

q.v., *quantum vis* (= as much as you wish); *quod vide*.

qy, query.

R., Réaumur; *Regina*; *retarder* (on time-piece regulator, = to retard); *Rez*; River.

R., railway; right; run(s); rupee.

R.A., Royal Academy (or Academician); Royal Artillery.

R.A.A.F., Royal Australian Air Force; Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

R.A.C., Royal Armoured Corps; Royal Automobile Club.

rad., radical.

R.A.D.A., Royal Academy of Dramatic Art.

R.A.D.C., **R.A.E.C.**, Royal Army Dental, Educational, Corps.

R.A.F.(V.R.), Royal Air Force (Volunteer Reserve).

R.A.G.C., Royal & Ancient Golf Club, St Andrews; also **R. & A.**

rall, *rallentando*.

R.A.M., Royal Academy of Music.

R.A.M.C., Royal Army Medical Corps.

R.A.N., Royal Australian Navy.

R.A.O.C., **R.A.P.C.**, **R.A.S.C.**,

R.A.V.C., Royal Army Ordnance, Pay, Service, Veterinary, Corps.

R.B., Rifle Brigade.

R.B.A., **R.B.S.**, Royal (Society of) British Artists, Sculptors.

R.C., Red Cross; right centre (of stage); Roman Catholic.

R.C.A.F., Royal Canadian Air Force.

R.C.M., Royal College of Music.

R.C.M.P., Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

R.C.N., Royal Canadian Navy; Royal College of Nursing.

R.C.O., Royal College of Organists.

R.C. of Sig., Royal Corps of Signals.

R.C.P., **R.C.S.**, Royal College of Physicians, of Surgeons.

R.D., refer to drawer; Royal (Naval Reserve) Decoration.

rd, road.

R.D.C., Rural District Council.

R.E., Royal Engineers.

recd, received.

regt, regiment.

R.E.M.E., Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers.

repr., represent etc.; represented.

R. (of *L.*, *Regina* (cf. *Imperatoris*) (= Queen & Empress); *Rex* (cf. *Imperator*) (= King & Emperor).

Rev., Revolution (N.T.); Reverend.

rev., revolution.

Revd, Reverend.

R.F., Royal Fusiliers.

R.F.C., *Reconstruction Finance Corporation; Rugby Football Club.

R.G.S., Royal Geographical Society.

R.H., Royal Highlanders; Royal Highness.

R.H.A., **R.H.G.**, Royal Horse Artillery, Guards.

R.H.S., Royal Horticultural, Humane, Society.

R.I., = **R. et I.**; Rhode Island; Royal Institute (of Painters in Water-colours); Royal Institution.

R.I.A., Royal Irish Academy.

R.I.B.A., Royal Institute of British Architects.

R.I.C., Royal Irish Constabulary.

R.I.I.A., Royal Institute of International Affairs.

R.I.P., *requiescat in pace*.

R.M., Resident Magistrate; Royal Mall; Royal Marines.

R.M.A., Royal Military Academy (Sandhurst; formerly Woolwich).

R.M.C., Royal Military College (Sandhurst; now **R.M.A.**).

R.M.S., Royal Mail Steamer.

R.M.S.P., Royal Mail Steam Packet (Company).

R.N., Royal Navy.

R.N.C., **R.N.D.**, Royal Naval College, Division.

R.N.L.I., Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

R.N.(V.R.), Royal Naval (Volunteer) Reserve.

R.N.Z.A.F., **R.N.Z.N.**, Royal New Zealand Air Force, Navy.

Robt, Robert.

R.O.C., Royal Observer Corps.

Roffen. (Bishop) of Rochester (see Cantuar.).

Rom., Romans (N.T.).

rom., roman (type).

R.P.S., Royal Photographic Society.

R.Q.M.S., Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant.

R.R.G., (Lady of the) Royal Red Cross.

R.S., Royal Scots; Royal Society.

Rs, rupees.

R.S.A., Royal Scottish Academy; Royal Society of Arts.

R.S.A.A.F., Royal South African Air Force.

R.S.F., Royal Scots Fusiliers.

R.S.M., Regimental Sergeant-Major.

R.S.O., railway sub-office.

R.S.P.C.A., Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

R.S.V.P., *répondez s'il vous plaît*.

R.S.W., Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Water-colours.

R.T., **R/T**, radio-telegraphy, telephony.

Rt Hon., Right Honourable.

R.T.O., Railway Transport Officer.

R.T.R., Royal Tank Regiment.
 Rt Rev., Right Reverend.
 R.T.S., Religious Tract Society.
 R.U., Rugby Union.
 R.U.R., Royal Ulster Rifles.
 R.V., Revised Version (of Bible).
 R.W.S., Royal Society of Painters in Water-colours.
 Rx, tens of rupees.
 Ry, railway.
 R.Y.S., Royal Yacht Squadron.
 R, recipe.
 R, rupee.
 Rs, rupees.
 Rx, tens of rupees.

S., Saint; Signor; soprano; South(ern); Submarines.
 s., second; shilling; singular; *solidus*; son.
 S.A., Salvation Army; South Africa; (also SA.) *Sturmabteilung* (= storm detachment; Nazi party army).
 S.A.A., small arms ammunition.
 Salop, Shropshire.
 Sam., Samuel (O.T.).
 S. & M., (Bishop) of Sodor & Man (see Cantuar.).
 Sarum., (Bishop) of Salisbury (see Cantuar.).
 Sask., Saskatchewan.
 Sat., Saturday.
 S.A.T.B., soprano, alto, tenor, bass.
 S. by E., S by E, S. by W., S by W, South by East, by West.
 S.C., South Carolina; Special Constable.
sc, scilicet; sculpsit.
 SCAPA, Society for Checking the Abuses of Public Advertising.
 s. caps, small capital letters.
 S.C.C., Sea Cadet Corps.
 sch., scholar; school.
scil., scilicet.
 S.C.M., State Certified Midwife
sculps., sculpsit.
 s.d., several dates.
 S.Dak., South Dakota.
 S.E., SE, South-east; South-eastern (London postal district).
 S.E.A.T.O., South-east Asia Treaty Organization (also Seat's).
 S.E. by E., SE by E, S.E. by S., SE by S, South-east by East, by South.
 Sec., Secretary.
 sec., second.
 sect., section.
 Sen., Senate; Senator; Senior (also Senr).
 Sept., September; Septuagint.
seq(q.), *sequens, sequentia*.
 Sergt., Sergeant.
s.f., sub finem.
sf., sforzando.
 S.F.A., Scottish Football Association.
 s.g., specific gravity.
s.g.d.g., sans garantie du
 (= without government g^{nt} ^{ntes}).

, School House.

sh., shilling(s).
 S.H.A.P.E., Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe (also Shape).
 s.h.p., shaft horse-power.
 S.I., (Order of the) Star of India.
 S.J., Society of Jesus.
 S.J.A.A., S.J.A.B., St John Ambulance Association, Brigade.
 *S.J.C., Supreme Judicial Court.
 S. lat., South latitude.
 S.M., Sergeant-Major; short metre.
 S.M.O., Senior Medical Officer.
s.m.p., sine mascula prole (= without male issue).
 S.N.O., Senior Naval Officer.
 S.O., Staff Officer; Stationery Office; sub-Office.
 Soc., Socialist; Society.
 S.O.E.D., Shorter Oxford English Dictionary.
 Sol.-Gen., Solicitor-General.
 Som., Somerset.
 Song of Sol., Song of Solomon (O.T.).
 S.O.S. (see dictionary).
 sov., sovs, sovereign(s) (coin).
 S.P., starting price (Betting); stirrup pump.
s.p., sine prole (= without issue).
 S.P.C.K., Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.
 S.P.E., Society for Pure English.
 S.P.G., Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.
 sp. gr., specific gravity.
 S.P.Q.R., *senatus populusque Romanus* (= the senate & people of Rome); small profits & quick returns.
 S.P.R., Society for Psychical Research.
s.p.s., sine prole superatite (= without surviving issue).
 sq., square.
sq(g.), *sequens, sequentia*.
 Sqd(n). Ldr, Squadron Leader.
 S.R., Scottish Rifles; Southern Rhodesia.
 Sr, Senior.
 S.R.N., State Registered Nurse.
 S.R.O., Statutory Rules & Orders.
 S.R.U., Scottish Rugby Union.
 SS., Saints.
 S.S., *Schutzstaffel* (= protection patrol; Nazi police force; also SS.); screw steamer; (also s.s.) steamship.
 S.S.A.F.A., Soldiers', Sailors, & Air-men's Families Association.
 S.S.C., Solicitor to the Supreme Court (Scotland).
 S.S.E., SSE, South-south-east.
 S.S.J.E., Society of St John the Evangelist.
 S.S.W., SSW, South-south-west.
 St, Saint; Strait; Street.
 st., stem; stone (weight); stamped.
 Staffs., Staffordshire.
 S.T.C., Senior Training Corps (at universities).
 St. Ex(ch), Stock Exchange.

S.T.P., *sanctae theologiae professor* (= Professor of Sacred Theology).

str., stroke (ear).

S.T.S., Scottish Text Society.

Sts., Saints.

Sun., Sunday.

sup., superlative; *supra* (= above).

suppl., supplement.

Supt., Superintendent.

surg., surgeon; surgery.

sus. per coll. (see dictionary).

s.v., *sub voce*.

S.W., SW, South-west; South-western (London postal district).

S.W. by S., SW by S, S.W. by W.,

SW by W, South-west by South, by West.

S.Y., steam yacht.

T., tenor; Turkish (pounds).

t., taken (Betting); ton(s).

T.A., Territorial Army.

t. & o., taken & offered.

T.B., torpedo-boat; *tubercle bacillus*; tuberculosis.

T.B.D., torpedo-boat destroyer.

T.C., Town Council(ler).

T.C.D., Trinity College, Dublin.

T.D., *Teacht Dala* (= Deputy of Dail);

Territorial (Officer's) Decoration.

t.e.g., top edge(s) gilt.

temp. (see dictionary).

Tenn., Tennessee.

Tex., Texas.

T.F., Territorial Force.

(Union).

T.G.W.U., Transport & General Workers'

Thess., Thessalonians (N.T.).

Thos., Thomas.

Thurs., Thursday.

T.H.W.M., Trinity high-water mark.

T.I.H., Their Imperial Highnesses.

Tim., Timothy (N.T.).

Tit., Titus (N.T.).

T.N.T., trinitrotoluene.

T.O., Transport Officer; turn over.

Toc H (see dictionary).

T.R.C., Thames Rowing Club.

Treas., Treasurer.

T.R.H., Their Royal Highnesses.

trs., transpose.

Truren., (Bishop) of Truro (see Cantuar.).

T.S.H., Their Serene Highnesses.

T.S.O., town sub-office. (Association.

T.S.A., Transport Salaried Staffs

T.T., teetotaler; Tourist Trophy; tuber-

culin tested.

T.U., Trade Union.

T.U.C., Trades Union Congress.

Tues., Tuesday.

TV, T.V., television.

T.V.A., Tennessee Valley Authority.

T.W.A., Trans World Airlines.

12mo., duodecimo.

T.Y.C., Thames Yacht Club.

U., universal (i.e. for everyone, referring to cinema picture).

U.A.B., Unemployment Assistance Board.

u.c., upper case (of print).

U.D.C., Urban District Council.

U.K.(A.), United Kingdom (Alliance).

ult., *ultimo*.

U.N., United Nations.

U.N.E.S.C.O., United Nations Educational, Scientific, & Cultural Organization (also Unesco).

Univ., University.

U.N.O., United Nations Organization (also Uno).

U.N.R.R.A., United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration (also UNRRA, Unrra, pr. ün'rah).

U.P., United Presbyterian; United Press. u.p., under proof.

U.S., United States (of America).

U.S.A., United States of America; United States Army.

U.S.(A.)A.F., United States (Army) Air Force.

U.S.N., United States Navy.

U.S.S., United States Senate; United States Ship (or Steamer).

U.S.S.C., United States Supreme Court.

U.S.S.R., Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Ut., Utah.

V., *Vergeltungswaffe* (= reprisal weapon; V 1, flying bomb; V 2, long-range rocket projectile).

v., verse; versus; *vide*; volt.

V.A., Vice-Admiral; (Order of) Victoria & Albert.

Va., Virginia.

V.A.D., Voluntary Aid Detachment.

V.C., Vice-Chancellor; Victoria Cross.

V.D., venereal disease; Volunteer Decoration.

v.d., various dates.

v. dep., verb deponent.

V.D.H., valvular disease of the heart.

VE, victory in Europe (*VE day*, 8/5/45).

Ven., Venerable.

v.f., very fair.

V.G., Vicar-General.

v.g., very good.

V.H.F., very high frequency.

Vic., Victoria.

V.I.P., very important person.

Vis., Visct, Viscount.

viz., *videlicet*.

VJ, victory in Japan (*VJ day*, 15/8/45 or in U.S. 2/9/45).-

v.l., *carta lectio*.

V.O., Victorian Order.

vol., volume.

V.R., *Victoria Regina* (= Queen Victoria); Volunteer Reserve.

V.S., Veterinary Surgeon.

Vt., Vermont.

Vulg., Vulgate.

W., Welsh; West (as compass point, & as London postal district).

w., watt; wicket; wide; wife; with.
W.A.A.C., Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (in 1914-18 war.)
W.A.A.F., Women's Auxiliary Air Force.
w.a.f., with all faults.
War., Warwickshire.
Wash., Washington.
W. by N., **W by N**, **W. by S.**, **W by S**, West by North, by South.
W.C., West Central (London postal district).
w.c., water closet.
W.C.A., Women's Christian Association.
W.D., War Department.
W.D.A., **W.D.C.**, War Damage Act, Contribution.
W.E.A., Workers' Educational Association.
Wed., Wednesday.
w.f., wrong fount.
W.F.T.U., World Federation of Trade Unions.
W.I., West Indies; Women's Institute.
Wigorn., (Bishop) of Worcester (see *Cantuar.*).
Wilts., Wiltshire.
Winton., (Bishop) of Winchester (see *Cantuar.*).
Wisc., Wisconsin.
Wisd., Wisdom (of Solomon; Apocr.).
W/L, wave length.
W.L.A., Women's Land Army.
W. long., West longitude.
Wm, William.
W.N.W., **WNW**, West-north-west.
W.O., War Office; Warrant Officer.
Worcs., Worcestershire.
W.P., weather permitting.
W.P.B., waste-paper basket.
W.R., West Riding (of Yorkshire).

W.R.A.C., **W.R.A.F.**, Women's Royal Army Corps, Air Force.
W.R.I., War Risk Insurance; Women's Rural Institute. [vice.
W.R.N.S., Women's Royal Naval Service.
W.S., Writer to the Signet.
W.S.P.U., Women's Social & Political Union.
W.S.W., **WSW**, West-south-west.
W/T, wireless telegraphy, telephony.
wt, weight.
W. Va., West Virginia.
W.V.S., Women's Voluntary Service(s).
Wyo., Wyoming.

x-cp., *ex coupon*.
xd, **x-d.**, **x-div.**, *ex dividend*.
x-i., *ex interest*.
Xmas, Christmas.
x-n., *ex new shares*.
Xt(ian), *Christ(ian)*, (prep. **X** = *Gk* letter chi, formed like English X).

Y., *Yeomanry*.
ye (pr. as *the*), the (*y* a survival in corrupt form of obs. *þ*, symbol for *th*; still used as archaism).
Yeo(m)., *Yeomanry*.
Y.H.A., Youth Hostels Association.
Y.L.I., Yorkshire Light Infantry.
Y.M.C.A., Young Men's Christian Association.
Yorks., Yorkshire.
yr(s), year(s); your(s).
y^t (pr. as *that*), *that* (conj.; as *pr.*).
Y.W.C.A., Young Women's Christian Association.

Zech., *Zechariah* (O.T.).
Zeph., *Zephaniah* (O.T.).

APPENDIX II

PRONUNCIATION OF NON-ENGLISH WORDS

THE words in the following Appendix list are those containing sounds that (like the French nasals and the Scotch *ch*) are non-English and therefore not covered by our notation. In this appendix they are arranged in three lists: the words in their ordinary form; the anglicized pronunciation, denoted by the same symbols as those used throughout the dictionary, but with extra symbol to represent the unEnglish sounds; and the foreign pronunciation in the alphabet of the Société Phonétique Internationale.

CONSONANTS

In the anglicized pronunciation the new symbol to be noted is *ch*, which is used here to represent a soft guttural sound between *sh* and *k*, heard in Scotch words like *loch* and common in German.

In the International Phonetic alphabet the consonants have their usual values, except the following:

j	is the sound in Eng. young	ʒ	is the sound in Eng. vision
ɲ	" " Fr. digne	x	" " Scotch and German loch.
ʃ	" " Eng. shout		

VOWELS

The nasal vowels characteristic of French are pronounced 'through the nose', that is, with the soft palate at the back of the mouth lowered so that the breath passes through the nasal passages. The nasal vowels are four; and are approximately the nasalized forms of the vowels in English *at*, *art*, *all*, *earl*. In the anglicized pronunciation they are denoted by *ān*, *ahn*, *awh*, *ērā*, in the phonetic alphabet by *ɛ̃* *ɑ̃* *ɔ̃* *ē̃*. These vowels are all heard in the phrase *un bon vin blanc* (*ā bō vē blā*).

The vowels in the International Phonetic alphabet are as follows:

a	as in Fr. patte	o	as in Fr. note
ɑ	" pas	ɔ	" bon (=nasalized aw)
ā	" ban (=nasalized ah)	œ	" peu
é	" dé	œ̃	" seul
ɛ	" fait	œ̃	" brun (=nasalized ē)
ē	" fin (=nasalized ā)	u	" tout
ə	" de (obscure)	y	" pu
i	" ni	ɥ	" buis
o	" beau		

· denotes that the preceding syllable is long.

Ordinary Form.	Anglicized Pronunciation.	Foreign Pronunciation.
abandon	ābān'dawn	abāds
abbatior	ābat'wahr	abatwa:r
accouchement	ākōb'shmahn	aku'mā
accoucheur	ākōb'shet	aku'ce:r
accoucheuse	ākōb'shetz	aku'ce:r
acharnement	āshān'mahn	ajarnemā
a doux	ah dō'	a dō
affaire de cœur	āfā' de kō'	afā:r de kō:r

Ordinary Form.

à fond
agent provocateur
aide-de-camp
âme damnée
amende honorable
ancien régime
à outrance
aperçu
aplomb
arme blanche
arrière-pensée
arrondissement
atelier
au fond
au grand sérieux
au naturel
ausgleich
avion

*Anglicized
Pronunciation.*

ah fawh'
ah'zhahn' prövökah'tér'
ä' de kahh'
ahm dahn'ä
ämahhnd' öndrah'bl
ahh'syan' räzhém'
ah öö'trahns
ahp'ätsöb
ah'plawh
ärm blahn'sh
ä'riät pahh'sä
äronde'smahh
ät'clyä
ö fawh'
ö grahh' söréet'
ö nätürél'
ows'glicH
äv'yawh

*Foreign
Pronunciation.*

a fō
aʒd provokatœ-r
ä-dekū
a-m da-ne
amä-d onorabl
äjäf režim
a uträs
aporsy
aplō
arm blā-f
arjæ-r pā-æ
arōdismd
ätelje
o fō
o grū æerje
o natyrel
ausglaix
avjō

B

ballon d'essai
bae bleu
battue
beau monde
bêche-de-mer
bersaglieri
bon
bon-bon
bonne bouche
bonnes fortunes
bon ton
bon vivant
bouillon

bäl'awh' dēsä'
bah blēr
bätöb'
bö mawnd
bäsh' de mät
bätsahlyär'ä
bawh
bön'bön
bön böb'sh
bön förtün'
bawh tawh
bawh vä'vahn
bööl'yawh

balō dese
ba blē
baty
bo mō-d
bæ-f de mæ-r
bersalljæ-ri
bō
bōbō
bon buf
bon fortyn
bō tō
bō vi-vā
bujō

C

café chantant
cancan
carte blanche
char-à-bancs
charlotte russe
chartreuse
chassé-croisé
chevalier d'industrie
chiffon
chignon
chose jugée
chronique scandaleuse
ci-devant
coiffeur
coiffure
communiqué
concierge
confrère
congé
consommé
contretemps
convenances
cordon bleu
corps de ballet
coup-de-main
cul-de-sac
curé

käf'ä shō'ntahn
kahh'kahh
kärt blahn'sh
shä'röbäng
shär'löt röbs'
shäträrz'
shäs'ä krwah'zä
shävälär' dän'döbströ
shif'ön
shinön', shën'yön
shöz zhō'zhä
krön'ök akahädälärz'
sē devahn'
kwah'fër
kwah'füt
komū'nikä
kawn'slärzh
kōn'frät
kawn'zhä
konsō'mä
kawn'tretahä
kawn'venahä
köt-dawh blēr
köt de bäl'ä
köö' de mäh
kööl' de säk
k-ä'ä

kafē fä-tä
käkü
kart blā-f
sarabä
sarlot rys
fartœ-z
fæse krwæze
f(e)valje dädystri
fifō
flnō
fo-z ʒy-ʒe
kronik akädälæ-z
sidvō
kwæfœ-r
kwæfy-r
komynike
köjærj
köfræ-r
köʒe
kösome
kö-tretä
kövnd-s
kördō blē
kœ-r de balz
kudmē
kydsak
kyre

Ordinary Form.

Anglicised
Pronunciation.Foreign
Pronunciation

D

ébut
ébutant
ébutante
égaré
e haut en bas
éminent
énouement
éshabillé
étente
eux-temps
istingué
ouble entendre
louceur
loyen
luvet

dā'bōō
dā'bōōtahā
dā'bōōtahānt
dāgah'zhā
de ōtahā bah'
dāmahū'tē
dānōō'mahū
dāzabbō'yā
dātō'nt
dēr tahū
distā'nggā
dōōbl ahūtahū'dr
dōō'sōt
dol'yen
dōō'vā

deby
debytä
debytä-t
degage
de ho tā bā
demā-ti
denumā
dezabije
detā-t
de tā
distē-ge
dubl ātā-dr
dusæ-r
dwaļē
dyve

E

au sucrée
claircissement
dition de luxe
ilan
mbonpoint
mbouchure
moute
mpressement
mceinte
mcore
nfant terrible
n garçon
nnui
nnuyé
en passant
ensemble
entente cordiale
entourage
entr'acte
entrée
entremets
entre nous
entrepôt
entresol
espièglerie

ō sōō'krū
ēklārsōs'mahū
edish'on de lōōks
ā'lahū
ahūbawūpwāh'
ahūbōōshōōr'
imū't
ahūnpres'mahū
ahūsāūt'
ōngkōr'
ahū'fahū tērēbl'
ahū gāh'sawū
ōn'wē
ōnwē'yā
ahū pās'ahū
ahūsahūbl'
ōntō'nt kō'diabl'
ōntōōrah'zh
ō'ntrakt
ō'ntrā
ō'ntrēmā
ō'ntrē nōō
ō'ntrēpō
ō'ntrēsōl
ēspiā'gicrē

o sykre
eklārsismā
edisjō d(ə)lyks
clā
ābōpwē
ābūfy-r
emē-t
āpřsmā
āsē-t
āko-r
ātā teri-bl
ā garsō
ānqī
ānqije
ā pasā
āsā-bl
ātā-t kordjal
ātura-g
ā-trakt
ā-tre
ā-trēmē
ā-tre nu
ā-trapo
ā-tresol
ēspjēgləri

F

falence
fainéant
fait accompli
fanfare
fauteuil
femme de chambre
fête champêtre
feuilleton
flancé(e)
fin-de-siècle
fine champagne
franc-tireur

fah'yahū
fā'nūahū
fāt ahkawā'plē
fān'fāt
fōtēr'ē
fām de shahū'br
fāt shahūpātr'
fōt'yetawū
fōahū'sā
fān de syākl'
fēn shahūpā'
frahū tērē'

fajū-s
feneū
fetakōpl
fāfa-r
fōtē-j
fām de fā-br
fēt fāps-tr
fōjltō
fjū-se
fē de sjekl
fin fāpān
frū tircē-r

G

gamin
garçon
gendarme
gendarmérie

gām'ān
gāt'sawū
zhōn'dārm
zhōndārm'erē

gamē
garsō
jōdarm
jōdarmeri

Ordinary Form.	Anglicized <i>f</i> Pronunciation.	Foreign Pronunciation.
genre gourmand gourmandise grande grand seigneur gratin grisaille gulloche gulpure	zhahûr gôor'ioahû gôor'mahûdêz grahûd grahû sênÿôr' grât'ân grêzil' gê'yôsh' gê'pûr	jâ-r gurmâ gurmâdlz grû-d grû sÿnœ-r gratê griza-j gilôf gily-r
H		
hauteur hors concours hors de combat hors-d'œuvre	ôtêr' ôrr kawûnkôor' ôrdêkawm'bah ôtdêr'vr	ho-tœ-r hor kôku-r hor d(ə)kôba hôrdœ-vr
I-K		
ingénue insouciance insouciant instantané jeu jeu d'esprit jeunesse dorée jongleur julienne kummel	ân'zhûnôô ânsoôs'yahûs ânsoôs'yahû ânstântah'nâ zhêr zhêr dêsprê' zhêr'nôs dôr'â zhawû'glêr zhôolyên' kôom'el	îgeny îsuisjû-s îsuisjû îstâtano jœ jœ dêsprî jœnis dô-re jÿ-glœ-r jÿljœn kûmœl
langue-d'oc langue-d'oïl le roi le veut le roi s'avisera liaison lingerie littérateur loch lough	lahûge dôk' lahûge dôll' le rwah le vêt le rwah sahvô'zerah lî-zn lî'îzherô lêtêrahtêr' lôcu lôcha	lû-gdøk lû-gdôll lœ rwa lœ vœ lœ rwa savizœra lî-zô lî jri lîteratœ-r lox lox
M		
mademoiselle manqué marriage de convenance marron glacé marseillaise marseur marseuse mauvaise honte mauvais quart d'heure mauvais sujet mélange menu mésalliance mignon milieu mise en scène mitrailleuse moire antique monseigneur monsieur morgue anglaise mot juste	mâdemwazê'l mahû'kâ mâ'riahzh de kawû'venahûs mâ'rôn glah'sâ marselâz' mâsêr' marsêr' môvâz ôât' mô'vâ kârdêr' mô'vâ sôô'zhâ mâl'ahûsh mênôô', mên'â mâzûl'lahûs mê'nyawû mê'lyêr mêzahûsân' mêtralyêr' mwahr ôntê'k mawûshÿyêr' mesÿêr' mô zhôôst'	mâdmwazêl, mamzel mû-ko marja-j de kôvnû-s marô glase marsêrœz marsœ-r marsœ-z môvœ-z lû-t môvœ kardœ-r môvœ syze mêlû-3 m(ə)ny mœzaljû-s mlnô mljœ mljœ mî-z â sœ-n mitrajo-z mwa-r ôtik môsejœr m(ə)sjœ morg ôglœ-z mo jÿst

<i>Ordinary Form.</i>	<i>Anglicized Pronunciation.</i>	<i>Foreign Pronunciation.</i>
N-O		
nom-de-guerre	nóm de gál'	nó de ge-r
nom-de-plume	nóm de plóom'	nó de plym
nuance	nú'ahús	nyá's
och	óch	ox
ombre	awí'br	ô-br
on dit	ón dē'	ô di
P		
par excellence	pār é'kselahnú	par ekselā's
parvenu	pār'venó	parveny
pas-de-deux	pah de dé'	pa dō de
passé	pá'sá	pase
passementerie	pás'mentri	pasmā'tri
pas seul	pah sūl'	pa soel
pâté	pá'tá	pa-te
patois	pá'twah	patwa
peignoir	pá'nwā'	pejwa-r
penchant	pahn'shahn	pā'já
père	pār	pe-r
petits soins	pété swān'	p(ə)ti swē
pibroch	pē'bróch	pibrox
pièce-de-résistance	pé'se de rāzēs'tahnú	pjes de rezistā's
pince-nez	pāns'nú	pē'sne
pis aller	pézál'á	pizale
planchette	plahnshét'	plā-jet
poilu	pwah'ló	pwaly
pompon	póm'pón	pō-pō
poseur	pōzē'	po-zō-r
poste restante	pōst ré'stahnt	post restā-t
prie-dieu	prédýē'	pridje
Provençal	próvahnsah'l	provā-sal
purée	pūr'á	py-re
pur sang	pūr sahn'	pysā
Q-R		
quand même	kahn mām'	kā me-m
raconteur	rākōntēr'	rakōtō-r
raconteuse	rākōntēz'	rakōtō-z
raison d'être	rā'zawn dā'tr	rezō de-tr
ranz des vaches	rahús dā vahsh'	rā's de vaj
rapprochement	rāprōsh'mahn	raprojmā
Résumé	rā'ómūr	reomyr
réchauffé	rāshō'fā	rejo-fe
recherché	reshā'shā	rejerfe
réclame	rā'klahm	rekla-m
renaissance	rēnā'sahnú	renesā's
rencontre	rahúnkawn'tr	rākō'tr
répondez s'il vous plaît	rāpaw'n'dā si vō plā	repōde si vu ple
restaurant	rē'storahn	restorā
résumé	rā'zōmā	rezyme
robe-de-chambre	rōb de shahn'br	rob de /ā-br
roturier	rōtū'rā	rotyrje
ruche	rōsh	ryj
ruse	rōz	ryz
rusé	rōō'zā	ryze
S		
salle-à-manger	sāl a mah'n'shā	salamāje
salle d'attente	sāl dātahn't	saldatā-t
salon	sāl'awn	salō
sang-froid	sahn'frwah'	sā frwa

<i>Ordinary Form.</i>	<i>Anglicized Pronunciation.</i>	<i>Foreign Pronunciation.</i>
sans cérémonie	sahn sə'rēmōnē	sā seremōni
sansculotte	sahn'kōblōt	sā kylōt
sans façon	sahn fās'awh	sā faas
sans gêne	sahn zhā'n	sā zē'n
sans peur et sans reproche	sahn pēir' ā sahn rēprōsh'	sā pœ'r e sā reproj
sans phrase	sahn frahz'	sā fra-z
sans souci	sahn sōō'sē	sā susi
Sassenach	sās'enahCH	sasonax
savant	sāv'ahh	savā
séance	sā'ahns	seās
Servres	sā'vr	se'vr
soi-disant	swah dē'zahn	swadizā
soixante-quinze	swah'zahnt kāh-z'	swasā't kē-z
soupeçon	sōō'psawh	supō
succès d'estime	sōōksā dōetā'm	sykse dēstim
succès fou	sōōksā fōō'	sykse fu

T

tableau vivant	tāb'lō vē'vahn	tablo vivū
tie douloureux	tik dōlerōō'	tik dulurō
timbre	tām'ber	tēbr
tirailleur	tērah'yē'	tirajœ'r
torchon	tōt'shōn	torfō
tout ensemble	tōōt ahūsahn'bl	tutāsā-bl
train de luxe	trān de lōōks'	trē dlyks
trente-et-quarante	trahnt ā kā'rahnt	trā't e karā't
trois-temps	trwah tahn	trwa tā
trouvaille	trōō'vil	tru-vaj
tulle	tōōl, tūl	tyl

V

Valenciennes	vālensēnz'	valū'sjēn
ventre à terre	vahn'trahtā'	vā'trate'r
vingt-et-un	vānt ā ōn	vēte ō
vin ordinaire	vān ōrdinā'	vē ordinē'r
vol-au-vent	vōl'ōvahn	vōlovā

APPENDIX III

PRONUNCIATION OF PROPER NAMES

THIS list is intended as a guide to the pronunciation of some difficult proper names frequently met with. It makes no claim to completeness, and many geographical names in particular have had to be omitted.

One or two general points may perhaps be noted here: Classical names ending in *-es* are usually pronounced (*-ēz*). In New Zealand and most newly-colonized countries all native names are pronounced with all vowels sounded (and pronounced as Italian vowels, i.e. *a* = *ah*, *e* = *ā* or *ē*, *i* = *ī* or *ī*, *u* = *oo*). The U.S. pronunciation of some American place-names differs from the usual English pronunciation; in the following list such specifically U.S. pronunciations are preceded by an asterisk. There are many proper names (e.g. Kerr, Smyth) the pronunciation of which varies according to the family or individual referred to; such names have usually been omitted.

The following symbols have been employed in indicating pronunciation, in addition to those in the body of the work:

χ = *ch* in the Scottish pronunciation of *loch*.

ġ = 'soft' *g* in *ginger*.

ñ indicates that the preceding vowel is nasalized.

Aar'on (ā-)	Ajmer' (ah-)
Abbeville (āb'vél)	Alabama (ālabah'ma; * -bā-)
Abd'négō	Albani (ālbah'ni)
A'bel (ā-)	Al'ban'y (awl)
Ab'elūd (ā-)	Alcan'tara (ālcahn-)
Abi'jah (-a)	Alcēs'tis (ā-)
Aboukir (ahbōkēr')	Alcibi'adēs (ā-; -z)
About (ah'bōd)	Alde'baran (ā-)
A'brabām (ā-)	Algēcī'as (ā-)
Abraz'zi (-brōtsi)	Algē'tin (ā-)
Ab'y'd'ūs	Algiers (ālgē'z)
Acera (āk'ra or akrah')	Allahabad (āla-habād')
Accl'dama (-k- or -s-)	Alleghany (ālēgān'i; or -āni)
Ach'erūn (āk-)	Almeri'a (ā-)
Achit'ophél (āk-)	Alsace (āl'sās; or -ās)
Ad'elalde (ā-)	Amiens [French city] (ām'iān)
A'den (ā-)	Amlens [in Shakespeare] (ām'lens)
Adirōn'dack (ā-)	A'mōs (ā-)
Adonā'is (ā-)	Andréon
Adriāt'ic (ā-)	An'am (ā-)
Ædē'an	Anani'as (ā-)
Ægi'na	Anchises (ānglī'sēs)
Æl'fric (ā-)	Andes (ām'dēs)
Ænō'ūs	An'droclēs (ā-; -x)
Æn'elid	Andrōm'ache (ā-; -ākl)
Æ'olus	Andrōm'ēda (ā-)
Æs'chy'lus (-k-)	Andrōn'icus [in Shakespeare] (ā-)
Æs'ōp	Angē'l'icō (ā-)
Afghān'istān (āfg-; or -ahn; or āfgānistān')	An'gérin (ā-)
A'gāg (ā-)	Angō't'a (āngg-; or āng'gora)
Agincourt (āg'inkōrt)	Antæ'us (ā-)
Ag'ra (ah- or ā-)	Anthrea (ān'thīa)
Al'da (ah-ē)	Antig'onē (ā-)
Aix-la-Chapelle (ā'ks-lah-shāpēl')	Antigua (āntē'gwa)
Aix-les-Bains (ā'ks-lā-bān)	Antin'ōus (ā-)

Antonín'us (á-)
 Apéll'és (-z)
 Aphródit'és (á-)
 Apóllinár'is
 Appaláç'hian (á-; or -áçh-)
 Aquin'ás
 Aráçh'né (-kn-)
 Aravallí (arah'váll)
 Archimedes (árkiméd'és)
 Aréðpagit'ica (á-; or -g-)
 Aréthús'a (á-; -za)
 Ar'gentine (ár-)
 Argyll (árgil')
 Ariád'né (á-)
 Ar'iel (ár-)
 Aristid'és (á-; -z)
 Aristóph'anés (á-; -z)
 A'ristótle (á-)
 Arizón'a (á-)
 Arkansas (ár'kansaw)
 Artaxerxes (ártagxér'kséz)
 Ar'temis (ár-)
 Ar'un (ár-)
 A'rundel (á-)
 Asia (á'sha)
 Assi'al (ásé-)
 Asouan (ásóban')
 Astár'té (á-)
 Astrakhan (ástrakán')
 Atalán'ta (á-)
 A'té (á- or ah-)
 Athén'ó
 Ath'ens (á-; -z)
 At'ropós (á-)
 Auch'inléck (awkl', *Scottish* óxk')
 Augé'as
 Augús'tine
 Aurél'ius
 Autóll'yus
 Av'alón (á-)
 Avignon (áv'ényawh)
 A'von (á-)
 Azores' (-órz)
 Az'ráel (á-)
 Bach (bahç)
 Ba'den (bah-)
 Bá'den-Pow'ell (-del)
 Bagshot (bág'et)
 Bahama (ba'hah'ma)
 Baize (bí'è)
 Báléa'rio (or balér'io)
 Bál'líol
 Bálmó'ral
 Báltazar' [in Shakespeare]
 Balu'chistán (-lók-; or balóçkistán')
 Bantu (bah'ntó; or bân-)
 Barább'as
 Bárbd'oes (-ds)
 Bár'méide
 Baród'a
 Bárót'seland
 Bá'sán
 Básh'án
 Bá's'ra (-z; or bú-)
 Basse'n'tó (-ahn-)
 Bástille' (-tél)

Basut'ólánd (-óó-)
 Batáv'ia
 Bât'on Rouge (róçzh)
 Bau'cis
 Bayeux (bá-yóó')
 Bayreuth (bí'roit)
 Bea'consfield (bé- or bé-)
 Beauchamp (bé'çham)
 Beaulieu (bé'll)
 Beaune (bón)
 Béçhua'na (-kúahna; or béçh-)
 Béél'zébúb (or béél-)
 Beethoven (bát'óven)
 Behr'ing (bé-; or bá-)
 Beira (bí'ra)
 Beirut (bá'róót)
 Bél'gium (-um)
 Bél'ial
 Bállágg'tó (-j-)
 Bellé'rophon
 Bélli'ni (-lé-)
 Belvoir (bév'er)
 Bénar'és (-z; or bé-)
 Bén'tham (-tam)
 Berkeley (bár'k'l)
 Bérk'ley [America]
 Berkshire (bár'k'sher)
 Berlioz (bár'líós)
 Bérmúd'as (-z)
 Berwick (bér'rk)
 Bethune [English surname] (bé'ten)
 Bicester (bís'ter)
 Bid'éford
 Big'elow (-g-; -ó)
 Bihár'
 Bikanir' (-ér)
 Bilbá'ó
 Blanc (-ahn)
 Blieriot (blér'ió)
 Bloem'fontein (-óó-; -án)
 Blücher (blóçk'er)
 Bóadió'e
 Bócca'coló (-kahoh-)
 Bód'lham (-dlam)
 Bódleian (-lé'an)
 Bóèth'ius
 Bohun (bóón)
 Boleyn (bóól'in)
 Bom'pas (-üm-)
 Boötes (bó-ó'tás)
 Bódeaux' (-dó)
 Bórdón'
 Bó'tha (-ta)
 Bótticéll'i (-chèl-)
 Boulogne (bóóllón')
 Bouchier (bow'cher)
 Bow (bó)
 Böz (or -ó-)
 Braemar' (bré-)
 Bräse'nóse (-zn-; -z)
 Breadal'bene (édawl-)
 Brougham (bróóm or bróó'ama)
 Bruges (bróçh)
 Buccleuch (buklóó')
 Büch'arést (-ker-)
 Búd'apést'

Buenos Ayres (bwön'ozä'iz; *or* böb'in-)

Bulawayo (böblaw'i'ö)

Bũt'leigh (-li)

Bũr'on

Byassho (bish)

Bȳzän'tium

Cüb'ot

Cäd'iz

Cadog'an (-üg-)

Cæd'mon (kä-)

Caen (kahñ)

Cagliostro (källös'trö)

Cal'aphäs (ki-)

Cairo (kä'ö)

Calus [Roman name] (ki'us)

Calus [Cambridge college] (kêz)

Cäl'ais (-is *or* -ä *or* -i)

Cälédön'ia

Calig'ula

Calli'opé

Cänbȳs'ös (-z)

Cämpa'gna (-ahnyä)

Campbell (käm'bl)

Cän'berra

Cändü'cé

Canöp'us

Caric'tacus

Carew' (-öb)

Carew [Thomas, 1589-1639] (kä'ri')

Cär'ey

Cär'llisic' (-ili)

Carmä'then (-dh-)

Cärnä'tvon

Cär'nög'ic (-gi; *or* -ägi)

Cärolin'a

Cäsuliän'ca

Cästopel'a (-öä)

Cäs'tile' (-ëli)

Cäthay'

Cätri'ona (*or* kätriö'na)

Cätöll'us

Cäv'ell

Cävour' (-oor)

Cecil (sësl *or* sisl)

Cecil'ia

Cellini (chëllë'ni)

Cenci (chën'chi)

Cër'ës (-z)

Cër'än'tës (-z)

Ceylön' (si-)

Cézanne' (sä-)

Chäl'kis (k-)

Chamonix (shäm'onix)

Chapul'épéc' (chahpööl-)

Chä'ring Cross (-aws; *or* chät-)

Charlemagne (shär'emän)

Chät'teris (-terz)

Chät'ham (-tam)

Chautau'qua (sha-; -kwa)

Cherbourg (shër'boorg)

Cher'wëll (chät-)

Chicago (shikah'gö, *shikaw'gö)

Chil'ë

Chiswick (chiz'ik)

Chloe (klö'i)

Cholmondeley (chüm'li)

Chopin (shöp'än *or* shö-)

Cioero (sis'erö)

Cimabü'ë (chë-; -öb-i)

Cimarrös'a (chë-; -s-)

Cincinnät'i (*or* -ah-)Cit'encöster (*or* sis'ister)Cläv'erhouse (*or* kläv'erz)

Clerk'enwell (klär-)

Clough (kláf, klöb)

Clövell'y

Cöeh'in-Chin'a

Cöckaigne' (-kän)

Cœur de Lion (kërdelö'awä)

Colbourne (köb'en)

Cöl'chis (-k-)

Cologne' (-ön)

Colom'bö (-äm-)

Colön'

Cölora'dö (-ah-; *-ä-)

Colquhoun (ko'höön')

Cöm'ö

Comte (kauüt)

Connect'icut (-nët-)

Con'stable (kün-)

Cophët'ua

Cördiller'a (-lyälä)

Cönnelle' (-nä)

Cö'rot (-rö)

Cörrëgg'lö (-j-)

Cür'tës (-z; *or* -iz)

Cow'per (köb-)

Creusa (kröö'za)

Crichton (krit'on)

Crime'a

Crö'cé (-ch-)

Cullöd'en

Cȳm'bëline (-lën)

Cȳn'ëwulf (k-; öölf)

Cȳrën'é

Cȳthër'a

Czech (chëk)

Dæd'aluz

Dahöm'ey (da-h-)

Daköt'a

Dän'Äs (-i)

Dän'të

Däph'në

Där'ës (-z)

Darl'us

Daudet (dö'dä)

Däv'entry (*or* dän'tri)Da'vös (dah-; *or* davös')

Debüss'y (-ë)

De Crespigny (dekrëp'ni; *or* -krës-)

De'gäs (dä-)

Dehra Dun (dä'ra-döön')

Dëlagö'a

De la Mare (dël'amär)

Delhi (dël'i)

Dël'ius

Dël'phl

Dëmät'er

Dëmät'rius (*or* -mët-)

Dëmöö'ritus

Dëmös'thenës (-s)

Dän'bigh (-bi)

De Roske (dërös'ki)

Dër'went

Descartes (dāk'art)
 Desdémón'a (déz-)
 Des Moines (dimain')
 Détroit'
 Deutsch'lánd (dotoh-)
 Diderot (déd'eró)
 Diá'ó
 Dieppe (dē-ép')
 Dijon (dē'zhawá)
 Diócló'tian (-shian)
 Dióg'énés (-z)
 Dioméd'és (-z)
 Dionýs'us
 Dionýs'us
 Disrael'í (-zrál-)
 Domi'tian (-shian)
 Dón Giova'nni (gōvah-)
 Dón Ju'an (jóan)
 Donne
 Donne [John, 1573-1631] (dún)
 Dón Quix'óte (or kwik'set)
 Do'theboys (dōódhe-)
 Doug'las (düg-)
 Drey'fus (drä-)
 Düb'lin
 Dül'wich (-li)
 Dü'mas (-mah)
 Dü Maurier (mör'iá)
 Dümfríes' (-és)
 Dúnéd'in
 Dür'ban
 Durham (dü'ram)
 Dvorak (dvör'zhák)
 Ebbw (éb'w)
 Ed'Inburgh (é;-bure)
 Eiff'el-tower (if-)
 Einstein (in'stín)
 Elre (är'é)
 El'í (é-)
 El'ia (é-)
 El'y (é-)
 Empéd'oclés (é;-;-z)
 Endým'íon (é-)
 Eng'land (ingg-)
 Entóbb'ó (é-)
 Eph'ésus (éf-)
 Epicú'rus (é-)
 E'réwhón (é-)
 Erie (ér'í)
 Erin (é'rin or ér'-)
 Es'té (é-)
 Esthón'ia (é-)
 Etherége (éth'erí)
 Euboea (übi'a)
 Euphrát'és (-z)
 Euph'ées (-z)
 Eurip'idés (ür-;-;-z)
 Europe (ür'op)
 Euryd'íó (ür-)
 Evélin'a (é;-;-éna)
 Ev'eíya (é- or é-)
 Eyek (ík)
 Ezék'íel (-í)
 Fäg'in (-g-)
 Fáll'odon
 Fát'quhar (-kwer)
 Fát'ima

Fa'ník'land (fawk-)
 Faust (fowst)
 Featherstonehaugh (fán'shaw)
 Fide'líó (-dä-)
 Flennés (finz)
 Flé'solé (fē-áz-)
 Fig'aró
 Fiji (fē'jā)
 Finsterre' (-är)
 Flör'és (-z)
 Fló'rida
 Foch (fósh)
 Fölk'estone (fóks-)
 Förtünát'us
 Francés'ca (or -chéa-)
 Freud (froid)
 Fró'bel (frér-)
 Frób'isher
 Froude (fröod)
 Frowde (-owd; or -öod)
 Gala'pagós (gahlah-)
 Gäl'en
 Gállé'o (-äó)
 Galle (gawí)
 Galsworthy (gaw'lwzerdhí)
 Gamál'íel
 Gán'ges (-z)
 Gedd'és (g-)
 Geoff'rey (gēf-)
 Ghats (gawts)
 Ghirlándal'o (gēr-;-;-dí'yó)
 Giaour (göwr)
 Gibrál'tar (g;-;-awl-)
 Gid'ea (g-)
 Gil'éad (g-)
 Gíllétte' (g-)
 Gíóglíó'nó (g;-;-g-)
 Glött'ó (g-)
 Giovanni (gōvah'ní)
 Glamis (glahmz)
 Glás'gow (-zgó)
 Gloucester (glós'ter)
 Glück (-öök)
 Gö'a
 Göd'alming
 Göda'vari (-dah-)
 Godiv'a
 Goethe (gēr'te)
 Gounod (gōón'ó)
 Gracchus (grák'us)
 Grätia'nó (-shíah-)
 Greuse (gréiz)
 Grieg (grög)
 Grín'delwald (-vahlá)
 Groote Schoor (grót'shoor)
 Gros'venor (gröv-)
 Guadeloupe (gwahdélóop)
 Guatemala (gwátimah'la)
 Gudrun (göod'rööm)
 Guelph (gwölí)
 Gulana (gl-ah'na)
 Gusta'vus (-tah-)
 Haar'lem (här-)
 Häg'at
 Hagg'ái
 Hague (häg)
 Haifa (hif'a)

Hain'a'ult (-awt)
 Hait'i (or hi-)
 Hák'luyt (-ōōt)
 Hare'wōd (hā- *locally* hār-)
 Hā'lēch (-k)
 Hā'run-āl-Rāsch'id (-rōō-; -shid)
 Harwich (hā'rij)
 Hā'rwich [America]
 Hausa (hou'za)
 Havre (hah'vr)
 Hawai'i (-wi-i)
 Haw'arden (-erd-; or hārd-)
 Haw'orth (or how'erth)
 Hay'dn (hi-)
 Hēb'ridēs (-z)
 Hēc'atē
 He'gel (hāg-)
 Hei'delbērg (hi-)
 Heine (hi'ne)
 Hēll'espōnt
 Hēm'ans
 Hēn'gist (-ngg-)
 Hē'raciēs (-z)
 Hēracit'us
 Hērcūlān'ōum
 Hē'rēford
 Hē'rēward
 Hērmionē
 Hērōd'lūs
 Hērōd'otus
 Hert'ford [England] (hārf-)
 Hērt'ford [America]
 Herts (hārts)
 Hēsper'idēs (-z)
 Hiawath'a (-wō-)
 Hil'dobrānd
 Himalay'a (or himah'la)
 Hin'du-Kush (-dōō kōōsh)
 Hippōc'ratēs (-z)
 Hippōl'ytā
 Hōbb'ēma
 Hō'bōken
 Hoh'enlīn'den (hōcn-)
 Hōl'bein (-bin)
 Hol'born (hōben)
 Hō'ōfēr'nēs (-z)
 Hōl'yrōōd
 Hōl'ýwēll
 Hōm'er
 Hōndū'ās
 Hōnolu'lu (-lōōlōō)
 Hous'ton (hōōs-)
 Hūd'ibrās
 Hun'yadi (hōōn-yah-)
 Hū'rōu
 Hýd'erabād
 Hýgol'a (-la)
 Hýmōtt'us
 Hýpū'tia (-shla)
 Hýpēr'lon
 Iago (i-ah'gō)
 Iān'thé (i-)
 Ic'arus (i-)
 Idaho (i'da-hō)
 Id'ō (i-)
 Idūmé'a (i-)
 Illinōis' (i-; -nōi)

Illý'ria (i-)
 Indīā'a (i-)
 Indīanāp'olis (i-)
 Inge (ing or ing)
 Ingelow (in'gīlō)
 In'igō (i-)
 In'terlaken (i-; -lah-)
 Iōlān'thé (i-)
 Iōl'chus (i-; -k-)
 Iōn'a (i-)
 I'owa (i-)
 Iphigēni'a (i-)
 Iquique (ikē'ki)
 Irawad'i (i-; -wōd-)
 I'roquois (i-; -kwōi or -kwah)
 Isaac (iz'ac)
 Isalah (izl'a)
 Is'ls (i-)
 Is'leworth (izelw-)
 Ismāilla (izmah-ē'la)
 Isōc'ratēs (i-; -z)
 Isolde (izōl'da)
 Ispahan (ispa-hahn')
 Ith'aca (i-)
 Ixi'on (i-)
 Jā'ōl
 Jaipur (jipoor')
 Jāff'us (or jīf'us)
 Janeir'ō (-ēf-)
 Jāph'ēt
 Jā'ques [in Shakespeare] (-kwiz)
 Ja'va (jah-)
 Je'na (yā-)
 Jē'rome (or Jērōm')
 Jēr'vaux (-rō)
 Jōhānn'ēsbērg
 Jōl'ēt
 Jōsēph'us
 Jungfrau (yōōng'frou)
 Kaap'stadt (kah-; -t)
 Kahul' (-ōōl; or kaw'bōōl)
 Kalahār'i (kah-; -ee)
 Kālamazōō'
 Kāndahār' (-da-h-)
 Kān'sas [state] (-nz-)
 Kān'sas [city] (-ns-)
 Kara'chi (-rah-)
 Kāttégāt'
 Kō'blē
 Kōd'āi
 Kōntūck'ý
 Kē'nýa (or kēn-)
 Kē'guelén (-gīl-)
 Keawick (kēz'ik)
 Keynes (kānz)
 Khārtum' (k-; ōōm)
 Khayyam (ki-ahm')
 Khf'ber (k-)
 Kioff (kōēf')
 Klēl (kēl)
 Klī'manjāl'ō
 Kīrkēud'bright (-kōō'brī)
 Knollys (nōōlz)
 Kōb'ō
 Kōēler (klēl'er)
 Kreutzer (krōit'ser)
 Lāhouchēro' (-bōōshēf)

Lách'ésis (-k-)
 Lach'tés (-z)
 Lachtte (lahfét')
 Lág'ós
 La Junta (lah hōon'ta)
 L'Alle'gró (lálá-)
 Lancolot (lah'n'slef)
 Láóc'ōon
 Lascelles (lās'els)
 Las Pal'mas (lahs pahl-)
 Laurén'qō Márques' (-sō; -ks)
 Lausanne' (lōz-)
 Láv'engró
 Láv'erý (or lá-)
 Lávoi'sler (-vwahzyá)
 Leam'ington (lēm-)
 Léan'der (or ló-)
 Léd'a
 Le Feuvre (fēv'er)
 Leicester (lēs'ter)
 Leigh (lē)
 Lein'ster (lēn-)
 Leip'zig (líp-)
 Leith (lē-)
 Lél'and
 Lél'y
 Lén'in
 Leominster (lēm'ster)
 Leonárd'ō (lā-on-)
 Le Qucux (lekū')
 Leveson-Gower (lōv'sen-gōr')
 Lhás'a (la-)
 Liége (līāzh')
 Li'ma (lē-)
 Limoges' (-ōzh)
 Liszt (-st)
 Llan- [as the first element in Welsh names]
 (hlān-)
 Llewél'yn (lōō-)
 Loh'engrín (lē-)
 Lōngin'us (-nj-)
 Lōt'ēlei (-l)
 Lōs An'gēls (-āng-, also -ang-; -z)
 Louislān'a (lōō-ēg-)
 Lou'isville (lōō-)
 Lourdes (lōord)
 Luga'nō (lōōgah-)
 L'y'cidās
 L'yōū'gus
 L'y'y
 Lym'ington
 Lympne (līm)
 Lysān'der
 Mā'cēdon
 Mackay (mak'i)
 Macleod (maklōwd')
 Madrás' (or -ahs)
 Madrid'
 Mād'ūra
 Mac'terlinck (mah- or mā-)
 Māt'eking
 Magtē'an (-g-)
 Māgiōr'ē (-j-)
 Mahā'a (mah-h-; or -ōon)
 Mahony (mah'nī)
 Mahawaring (mān'oring)
 Mā'achi (-k-)
 Mā'herbe (-lārb)

Māl'orý
 Mal'ta (mawl-)
 Mal'vern (mawl-)
 Mān'et (-ā)
 Māt'ion (or mā-)
 Marjoribanks (mā'r'chb-)
 Márque'sās (-kā-)
 Mār'tineau (-nō)
 Mārtinique' (-ēk)
 Mār'yland' (*mē-)
 Mā'rylebone (-eleben; or mā'riben)
 Masal' (-si; or mah'si)
 Māssachus'etts (-ōō-)
 Māss'enet (-enā)
 Mátabél'ē
 Mauri'tius (-shyes)
 Mazzini (mādzēn'i)
 Mōch'lin (-kl-)
 Médō'a
 Mēd'ici (-chī)
 Mēdin'a (-ē)
 Mēdin'a [America]
 Mels'tersinger (mī-)
 Mēn'ai (-nī)
 Mēn'delssohn (-son; or -sōn)
 Mēnēlā'us
 Menzies (mēn'ziz, mēng'is, mīng'is)
 Mērcéd'ēs (-z)
 Mērcū'tiō (-shī-)
 Mē'rēdith (in Wales mē'rēd'ith)
 Mē'ropē
 Mēssin'a (-sē-)
 Mētt'ernich (-k)
 Mey'nell (mē- or mā-)
 Miām'i
 Mich'igan (-shī-)
 Mid'ās
 Millān' (or mīl'an)
 Mill'als (-ā)
 Milngavie (mīlgī')
 Minnēāp'olis
 Minnēsōt'a
 Mirān'da
 Missour'i (-oor-; *miz-)
 Mithridāt'ēs (-z)
 Mitylēn'ē (or -ē)
 Möbīle' (-ēl)
 Moh'ican (mō-; properly mō-hē'-)
 Mohun (mōon)
 Mōl'iēre (-liā-)
 Mōna'cō (-ah-)
 Mōntaigne' (-ān)
 Mōntā'na (-ah-; *-ā-)
 Mōntreal' (-awl)
 Mōrōn'ē
 Mōs'cow (-ō)
 Moul'main
 Mōzambique' (-bēk)
 Müller (mūl'er)
 Multan (mōōl'tahn)
 Mūm'l'ō
 Myō'snē
 Mýtilēn'ē (or -ē)
 Nairōb'i (nīf-)
 Nā'omī
 Nāp'ier (or nap'ēr)
 Natāl'
 Nāv'ajo (-a-hō)

Népal' (-awl)
 Nēva'da (-vah; *-ā-)
 Newfoundland' (-fend-)
 Niāg'ara
 Nibelung (nēb'aldōng)
 Nietzsche (nē'che)
 Ni'ger
 Nigē't'ia
 Nil'girl (-g-)
 Nin'éveh (-vī)
 Norwich (nō'rif)
 Nīās(a)'a
 Ob'an (ō-)
 Ober-ānnm'ergau (ō-; -gow)
 Ob'erōn (ō-)
 Odýs's'eus (-ūs)
 Ōnōn'ō (ō-)
 Oh'i'ō (ō-h-)
 Oklahōm'a (ō-)
 Omaha (ōma-hah'; *-aw)
 Oman (ōmah'n)
 Ontā'r'io (ō-)
 Ophē'l'ia (ō-)
 Orēs'tēs (ō-; -z)
 Ori'on (ō-)
 Orlé'ans (ōr-; -z)
 Orlean's [America] (ōrlēnz')
 Orpheus (ō'r'fūs)
 Orsino (ōrsēn'ō)
 Osī'r'is (ō-)
 Os'ler (ō-)
 Ōta'gō (ōtah-)
 Ōthēll'ō (ō-)
 Ottawa (ōt'a-wa)
 Ottūm'wa (ō-)
 Ouida (wō'ida)
 Ouse (ōuz)
 Ov'id (ō-)
 Pach'mann (pahk-)
 Paderew'ski (-ēvski)
 Pāgani'ni (-ēn-)
 Pagliacci (pāl'iāch'i)
 Pālamēd'ēs (-z)
 Pāl'amon
 Pālēstri'na (-ēn-)
 Pāl'l'ās
 Pāl'l Māl'l' (or pēl'mēl')
 Pānama' (-ah)
 Pāph'ōs
 Pā'raguay (-gwā or -gwī)
 Pārnās's'us
 Parōll'ēs
 Pās'teur (-ēt)
 Patroc'lus
 Pan (pō)
 Pausān'iās
 Pav'i'a
 Pēkin'
 Pēl'eus (-lūs)
 Pēloponnēs'us
 Pēl'ōps
 Pēnnā'sylvā'n'ia
 Pēnthēslē'a
 Pepys (pēps or pēps or pēp'ia)
 Pē'dita
 Pērgole'sē (-lās-)
 Pē'riolēs (-z)

Pē'rault (-rō)
 Pē'seph'onē
 Pē'sep'olla
 Pē't'eus (-ūs)
 Peru' (-ōō)
 Pērug'i'nō (-ōōgē-)
 Peshawar (peshō'r')
 Pēstalōzz'i (-tal)
 Pēsth (-st)
 'ēt'ra
 'ēt'rāch (-k)
 'ētru'chio (-ōōk- or -ōōch-)
 'haed'ra
 'hā'ēthōn
 'hā'sāl'ia
 Philēm'ōn
 'hō'ois
 'haeb'ē (fē-)
 Phœnic'ia (fē-)
 'hrŷn'ē
 Pie'dmont (pē- or pyē- or pyā-)
 Pietermā'ritzbūrg (pē-; or -ritz'-)
 'Ilā'tus (-ah-)
 Pinō'tō
 Pirā'eus
 Plāt'ō
 Plin'y
 Plotin'us
 Plu'tāch (-ōō-; -k)
 Pole Carew (pōl' kār'l)
 Pōllaiuo'lō (-li-ōō-ō-)
 Pōlŷb'ius
 Pōlŷc'ratēs (-z)
 Pōlŷphēm'us
 Pōlŷx'ēna
 Pom'frēt (pūm-)
 Pōmpēl'i (-ēi or -āē)
 Pōrt Said (sah'id or sūd)
 Pōsel'don (-sī-)
 Potōm'āc
 Poughkeep'sie (pokip-)
 Poussin (pōō'sūn)
 Pō'wŷs
 Prāxīt'elēs (-z)
 Prētōt'ia
 Pri'am
 Promēth'eus (-ūs)
 Prōs'erpine
 Proust (prōōst)
 Ptōl'emŷ (t-)
 Puccini (pōōchē'nī)
 Pūnjab' (-ahb)
 Pŷ'ramus
 Pŷtōh'ley
 Pŷthāg'orās
 Quēbēc'
 Rāb'elais (-elā)
 Rāc'ine (-sēn)
 Rāc'būrn (rā-)
 Rajputana (rahjpōōtah'na)
 Raleigh (raw'li or rah- or rā-)
 Rām'ēts (-z)
 Rān'elagh (-le)
 Rāph'āel
 Ra'wālpindī (rah-w-)
 Read'ing (rēd-)
 Reger (rēg'er)

Rethjavik (rēkya-)
Reth (rei-)
Rheims (rōms)
Rhōdē'sia (rō-; -z- or -s-; also -zha, sha-)
Ri'ca (rē-)
Rich'elieu (-shelū)
Rio (rē'ō)
Rivier'a (-āiv)
Robespierre (rōbz'pyā)
Röcke'teller (-kf-, *-kif-)
Röm'ney (or rüm-)
Röntgen (rēn'tyēn)
Rōb'sevēlt (-sv-, *-slv-)
Rossē't'i (rōz-)
Rōtoru'a (-ōōa)
Rouen (rō'ahū)
Rōx'burgh (-br)
Ruy Blas (rwē blahs)
Sachēv'rell (-sh-)
Sāg'inaw
Salute-Beuve (sālūt bēv)
Saint-Suens (sānt sahns)
Salls'bury (sawlbz-)
Salūm'ū
Salōn'ica (or sālonē'-)
Sān'chō (-ngk-)
Sān Diego (dē-ū'gō)
Sān Jacin'tō
Sān Joaquin (wahkōn')
Sān Jose (hōsē')
Sān Juan' (hwahn)
Sān Re'mō (rā-)
Sān'ta Fé (fē)
Sāut'ia'gō (-ah-)
Sārassa'tō (-ah-)
Sara'wak (-rah-)
Saskatch'ewan
Sāskatōōn'
Sault Sainte Marie (sōō sānt mā'i;
 sānt)
Sāvonarōl'a
Sea'fēll (-seaw-)
Seā'iger
Schōhēteza'dē (sh-; -czah-)
Schōnēc'tad'y (sk-)
Schū'bērt (shōō-)
Schuy'ler (ski-)
Schuy'lkill (skōōl-)
Scill'y (s-)
Sōp'iō (s-)
Scr'abin
Seone (skōōn)
Sōāt't'io
Sōdān'
Sōd'bergh [school] (-ber -bēg)
Sōd'bergh [town] (-ber)
Seine (sān)
Sēm'elē
Sēm'i'ramis
Sēn'eca
Sēnēgal' (-awl)
Sēnnāch'erib (-k-)
Sēt'ebōs
Shrovs'bury (-ōōz- or -ōz-)
Siām'
Sier'a Léone' (-ā-; -ōn-)
Sim'ēon

Sim'on
Simplon (sān'plawū)
Si'nal (-nīl)
Sl's'yphus
Sl'va (shē-)
Skidd'aw (or skiddaw')
Slough (slow)
Smēth'wick (-dhik)
Sōc'ratēs (-z)
Sōfi'a
Sōma'li (-ah-)
Som'ersēt (sūm-)
Sōph'oclēs (-z)
Southey (sow'dhi)
Southwark (-līdh'ark)
Sou'za (-ōō-)
Strina'gar (-ah-)
St Al'bans (awl-)
Stendhal (stahn'dahl)
St John (sin'jon)
St Lou'is (sānt lōō-)
St Ma'lō (-ah-)
Stōke Pō'gēs
Strachan (strawn or strah'xan)
Streath'am (strēt-)
Stuy'vōsant (sti-)
Sudān' (sōō- or sōō-)
Su'ēz (-ōō-)
Suma'tra (sōōmah-)
Sumurun (sōōmōbrōōn')
Surāt' (sōō-)
Sūsquēhānn'a (-kw-)
Swa'zīlānd (swah-)
Sy'ngē (-ng)
Sy'r'acūse (-z)
Sy'r'acūse [America]
Tāg'us
Tah'i'ti (tah-hē-)
Taj Mahal (tahj mahahl')
Tāngānyl'ka (-ngg-; -yē-)
Tāngler' (-jēf)
Tānnhāu'ser (-hoiz-)
Tārragōō'a
Tchaikovsky (chikōv'ski)
Tecūm'sēh (-sē)
Teh'crān (tāer-)
Teignmouth (tēn'meth)
Tēlēm'achus (-kus)
Tēneriff'te' (-tēf)
Tēpsich'orē (-k-)
Tērra dēl Fuego (tōōā'gō)
Tētūll'ian
Thame (tām)
Thames (tēmz)
Thān'ēt
Thēbes (-bz)
Thēmist'oclēs (-z)
Thē'obald (-awld; or tīb'ald)
Thēōd'oric
Thērmōp'yliē
Thēr'st'ēs (-z)
Thēs'ous (-ūs)
Thēs'pis
Thēssalon'ica
Thēs'al'y
Thīs'bē (-z-)
Thom'as (tōm-)

Thomas [Ambroise] (tō'mah)

Thōr'eau (-ō)

Thūcō'd'ides (-z)

Tibēt'us

Tibēt'

Tibūl'us

Ticī'nō (-chē-)

Tif'lis

Tig'ris

Tim'ō

Tintāg'el

Titān'ia

Tit'ian (-shi-)

Tit'us

Tiv'oli

Tōb'i'as

Tō'k'yō

Tōlō'dō (or -ā'dō)

Tō'r'rēs

Tōt'nēs

Toulon (tōlō'awī')

Toulouse (tōlō'ōz')

Touraine' (tōō-)

Tours (toor)

Tow'cester (tō'ster)

Trafāl'gar (or trāfalgār')

Trāj'an

Trān'skei (-ki)

Transvaal (trah'nsvail)

Trévi'sa (-vēz-)

Trichinōp'oli

Triēste'

Trinc'ōmalec'

Tröll'ope (-ep)

Trōss'āchs (-ks)

Trou'ville (-ōō-)

Tucson (tōō'sawh; or -ān)

Tuileries (twöl'erē)

Tūhn' (or tūr'in)

Tūrkéstān'

Tūskē'gee

Tussaud's' (-sōz)

Tý'chō (-k-)

Týn'dale (-dl)

Tý'rol (or tīrōl' or tīrōl')

Tý'rwihitt (-rit)

Ugān'da (ū- or ōō-)

Uh'land (ōō-)

U'lat (ū-)

Ulýs's (ū-; -z)

Uphār'sin (ū-)

Uri'ah (ūr-)

Ur'iel (ūr-)

Urquhart (ūr'kert)

Uruguay (ōō'rōgway'; or -l)

Ush'ant (ū-)

Utah (ū'tah, *ū'taw)

Uth'er (ū-)

Utrecht (ūtrēkt')

Vāl'kyrie

Vāl'ois (-wah)

Vālparais'ō (-z-)

Vān'burgh (-bre)

Vāsāt'l

Vās'cō da Ga'ma (gah-)

Vāth'ēk

Vānghan (vawn)

Vauxhall (vōks'hawl')

Véjās'quez (-kwiz or-kiz)

Vēh'āzūē'la

Vérde

Ver'di (vāt-)

Vér'dun (or vāt-)

Vér'gil

Verne (vān)

Vérone'se (-āzī)

Vē'sulam (-ōō-)

Vésūv'ius

Vichy (vē'shē)

Viēnn'a

Vig'ō

Vill'iers (lerz)

Vin'ci (-chi)

Vi'ola

Vitr'gil

Voges (vōzh)

Wa'hāsh (waw-)

Wadham (wōd'am)

Wag'ner (vah-)

Waldegrāve (wawl'g-)

Wantage (wōn'tij)

Wapp'ing (wō-)

Wā'ling

Warwick (wō'rik)

Watteau (wōt'ō)

Wazir'istan (-ēr-; -ahn)

Wear [river] (wēl)

We'ber (vā-)

Wednes'bury (wēnz-b-)

Wei'mār (vi-)

Weiss'hōfn (vīs-h-)

Welwyn (wēl'in)

Wemyss (wēmz)

We'ser (vāz- or wēz-)

Whewell (hūl)

Wies'baden (vēzbah-)

Wis'bēch (-z-)

Wiscōn'sin

Wōōl'wich (-liij)

Wōōtt'on

Worcester (wōōs'ter)

Wōōms (v-; -z)

Wrēk'in (r-)

Wych'erley

Wyō'lif

Wyō'ombe (-om)

Wyk'eham (-kam)

Wymondham [Norfolk] (wind'um)

Wýō'ming

Xāv'ier (z-)

Xēn'ophon (z-)

Xō'xēs (z-; -z)

Xhosa (kaw'sa)

Ycats (yāts)

Ye'men (yā-)

Yeo'vil (yō-)

Yōkōha'ma (-hah-)

Yōām'itō

Ypres (ēpr, wi'perz)

Ysaye (is'i)

Yucatan' (ū-; -ahn)

Zāchari'ah (-a)

Zeiss (zīs)

Zēlōt'sa (-z)

Zä'ä
Zimba'bwé (-bah-)
Zö'ö
Zö'a

Zürbäs'ter
Zürich (stt'ik)
Zuy'der Zee' (st-)

Zuyder Zee

APPENDIX IV

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

(a) ENGLISH AND METRIC EQUIVALENTS

Linear Measure :

- 1 inch
- 1 foot (12 inches)
- 1 yard (3 feet)
- 1 pole (5½ yards)
- 1 chain (22 yards)
- 1 furlong (220 yards)
- 1 mile (1,760 yards)

English to Metric.

- = 25.3999 millimetres.
- = 0.30480 metre.
- = 0.914399 metre.
- = 5.02919 metres.
- = 20.11678 metres.
- = 201.16778 metres.
- = 1.60934 kilometres.

Square Measure :

- 1 square inch
- 1 square foot (144 sq. in.)
- 1 square yard (9 sq. ft.)
- 1 perch (30½ sq. yards)
- 1 rood (40 perches)
- 1 acre (4,840 sq. yards)
- 1 square mile (640 acres)

- = 6.45159 sq. centimetres.
- = 9.29028 sq. decimetres.
- = 0.836126 sq. metre.
- = 25.29280 sq. metres.
- = 10.11712 ares.
- = 0.40468 hectare.
- = 258.09824 hectares.

Cubic Measure :

- 1 cubic inch
- 1 cubic foot (1,728 cub. in.)
- 1 cubic yard (27 cub. ft.)

- = 16.3870 cubic centimetres.
- = 0.02832 cubic metre.
- = 0.764553 cubic metre.

Measure of Capacity :

- 1 gill
- 1 pint (4 gills)
- 1 quart (2 pints)
- 1 gallon (4 quarts)
- 1 peck (2 gallons)
- 1 bushel (8 gallons)
- 1 quarter (8 bushels)

- = 1.42058 decilitres.
- = 0.56823 litre.
- = 1.18646 litres.
- = 4.5459631 litres.
- = 9.0917 litres.
- = 3.6966 dekalitres.
- = 2.90935 hectolitres.

Apothecaries' Measure :

- fluid drachm (60 minims)
- fluid ounce (8 drachms)
- gal. (8 pts. or 160 fluid oz.)

- = 3.55145 millilitres.
- = 2.84123 centilitres.
- = 4.54596 litres.

Avoirdupois Weight :

- 1 grain
- 1 dram (27.34 gr.)
- 1 ounce (16 dr.)
- 1 pound (16 oz.)
- 1 stone (14 lb.)
- 1 quarter (28 lb.)
- 1 hundredweight (cwt., 112 lb.)
- 1 ton (20 cwt.)

- = 0.0648 gramme.
- = 1.77185 grammes.
- = 28.34953 grammes.
- = 0.45359243 kilogram.
- = 6.35029 kilograms.
- = 12.70059 kilograms.
- = 50.80235 kilograms.
- = 1.01604 tonnes.

Troy Weight :

- 1 pennyweight (24 grains)
- 1 ounce (480 grs. avoird.)

- = 1.55517 grammes.
- = 31.10348 grammes.

Apothecaries' Weight:

1 scruple (20 grains)	= 1.29598 grammes.
1 drachm (3 scruples)	= 3.88794 grammes.
1 ounce (8 drachms)	= 31.10348 grammes.

The Apothecaries' ounce is the Troy ounce of 480 Avoirdupois grains.

(b) METRIC AND ENGLISH EQUIVALENTS**Linear Measure:****Metric to English.**

1 millimetre (1/1000 m.)	= 0.03937 inch.
1 centimetre (1/100 m.)	= 0.39370 inch.
1 decimetre (1/10 m.)	= 3.93701 inches.
1 metre (m.)	= 1.0936143 yards.
1 decametre (10 m.)	= 10.93614 yards.
1 hectometre (100 m.)	= 109.3614 yards.
1 kilometre (1,000 m.)	= 0.62137 mile.
1 myriametre (10,000 m.)	= 6.21372 miles.

Square Measure:

1 sq. centimetre	= 0.15500 sq. inch.
1 sq. decimetre (100 sq. centimetres)	= 15.50006 sq. inches.
1 sq. metre or centiare (100 sq. decimetres)	} = { 10.76393 sq. feet. 1.19599 sq. yards.
1 are (100 sq. metres)	
1 hectare (100 ares or 10,000 sq. metres)	= 2.47106 acres.

Cubic Measurement:

1 cubic centimetre (1,000 cub. millimetres)	= 0.06102 cubic inch.
1 cubic decimetre (1,000 cub. centimetres)	= 61.02394 cubic inches.
1 cubic metre or stere (1,000 cub. decimetres)	} = { 35.31477 cubic feet. 1.307954 cubic yards.

Measure of Capacity:

1 millilitre (1/1000 litre)	= 0.00704 gill.
1 centilitre (1/100 litre)	= 0.07039 gill.
1 decilitre (1/10 litre)	= 0.17598 pint.
1 litre	= 1.75985 pints.
1 decalitre (10 litres)	= 2.19981 gallons.
1 hectolitre (100 litres)	= 2.74975 bushels.
1 kilolitre (1000 litres)	= 3.43720 quarters.

Weight:

1 milligram (1/1000 grm.)	0.01543 grain.
1 centigram (1/100 grm.)	0.15432 grain.
1 decigram (1/10 grm.)	1.54324 grains.
1 gramme	15.43236 grains.
1 decagram (10 grms.)	5.04383 drams.
1 hectogram (100 grms.)	3.52740 ounces.
1 kilogram (1,000 grms.)	2.2046223 lb.
1 myriagram (10 kilog.)	22.04622 lb.
1 quintal (100 kilog.)	1.90841 cwt.
1 tonne (1,000 kilog.)	0.98420 ton.
	Troy 0.03215 oz.
	" 15.43236 grains.
1 gramme = {	Apothecaries' 0.25721 drachm.
	" 77.162 scruple.
	" 5.43236 grains.

